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## **ART: An ontology based tool for the translation of papers into Semantic Web format**

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# Plan of the presentation

- Introduction to the ART;
- Related projects:
  - The Prospect project;
  - An ontology of experiments EXPO;
  - The ROAD project;
  - eBank.
- The ART project:
  - The ART system;
  - Examples.
- Discussion: An ontology of science.

# The ART project (an ontology based ARticle preparation Tool)

- Translating scientific papers into a format with an explicit semantics.
- Explicit linking of repository papers to data and metadata.
- Creation of an example ‘intelligent’ digital repository.

<http://www.aber.ac.uk/compsci/Research/bio/art/>

# Motivation:

- to improve information access;
- to provide semantic clarity and explicitness of represented information and knowledge;
- to promote the sharing of research results;
- to facilitate text mining and knowledge discovery applications.

## 2. The related projects



[www.ProjectProspect.org](http://www.ProjectProspect.org)

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# Royal Society of Chemistry

Founded 1841

20 journals

40 000 pages per year

6000 articles per year

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Semantic enrichment

Chemical structures

Chemical terminology

Ontology terms: GO, SO, cell type

Two-stage process



**Industry Track: 04**  
**Project Prospect: Life Science Informatics at**  
**Royal Society of Chemistry Publishing**

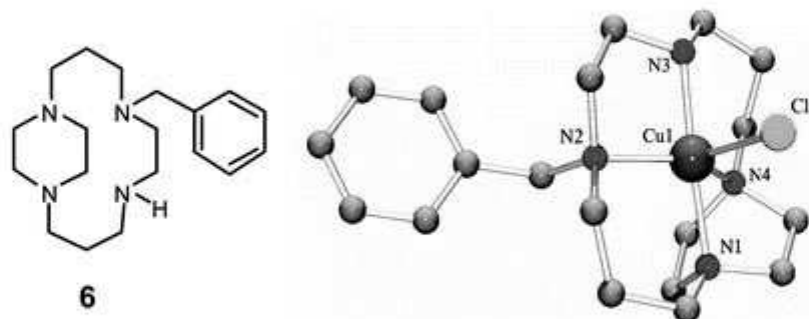
Sunday, July 22  
4:50p.m. - 5:15 p.m.  
Room: Hall M

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of Chemistry



# HTML

## 2. Related projects



**Fig. 1** Ball and stick representation of the X-ray crystal structure of the copper(II) complex formed with the benzyl derivative of the piperazine tetra-aza macrocycle. H-atoms and the  $[\text{CuCl}_2]^-$  counter anion have been omitted for clarity.

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Paramagnetic metal ions affect the fluorescence properties of their ligands<sup>23</sup> and fluorescence quenching has been used to measure the magnitude of the effect is expected to be reduced by an increased distance between the fluorophore and the chelated metal ion. A 75% fluorescence (approx. 75%) was observed on formation of  $\text{Cu5Cl}_2$ ; however, the fluorescence emission was still sufficient to be used in imaging systems.<sup>1</sup> Complex stability is also important. The copper(II) complex of a related piperazino cyclam macrocycle has been shown to have a demetallation half life of  $>20$  days in 1 M  $\text{HClO}_4$ .<sup>25</sup>

Cellular binding assays were carried out to determine whether the mono-macrocyclic fluorescent compounds interact with CXCR4. A T-lymphocyte cell line (Jurkat) that expresses high levels of the CXCR4 receptor was used. Compounds **5** and  $\text{Cu5Cl}_2$  were analysed for binding to CXCR4 on Jurkat cells by flow cytometry in competition with specific anti-CXCR4 monoclonal antibodies.

Two CXCR4-specific, monoclonal antibodies were used (mAbs 44716.111 and 44717.111), both of which bind to similar regions of the extracellular loop.<sup>18</sup> The binding assay was carried out by saturation of the receptors with a high concentration of compound (*ca.* 25  $\mu\text{M}$ ) followed by washing and introduction of the specific antibodies. The amount of antibody present on the cell surface was then quantified by addition of a secondary anti-mouse IgG fluoresceinated reagent by flow cytometry. The free macrocycle conjugate showed no shift from the positive control, suggesting that either no binding occurs or **5** is completely displaced by the antibodies [Fig. 2(A)]. The metal complex  $\text{Cu5Cl}_2$  binds and competes successfully with both antibodies showing a significant shift from the positive control [Fig. 2(B)].

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# Ontology of scientific experiments EXPO

**EXPO\*** v.1

<http://sourceforge.net/projects/expo>

2006 nomination for World  
Technology Award  
(software).

*\*Soldatova, LN & King, RD (2006) An Ontology of Scientific Experiments. Journal of the Royal Society Interface 3/11: 795-803.*

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# eBank

Aims to provide a technological solution to the access and curation of digital resources:

<http://www.ukoln.ac.uk/projects/ebank-uk/>

The project is being led by UKOLN in partnership with the Intelligence, Agents & Multimedia Group, Department of Electronics & Computer Science, and the Department of Chemistry, University of Southampton and the Digital Curation Centre:

<http://www.dcc.ac.uk/>

# ROAD (Robot-generated Open Access Data) project

[http://www.jisc.ac.uk/whatwedo/programmes/programme\\_rep\\_pres/road.aspx](http://www.jisc.ac.uk/whatwedo/programmes/programme_rep_pres/road.aspx)

# ART as an authoring tool

- ***Assist***: help the user to identify the high level concepts about an investigation in the text. (i.e. hypothesis, object of investigation, conclusion) and domain ontology entities.
- ***Explain***: provide examples and explanations if necessary.
- ***Represent***: help the author to represent his/her research results directly in OWL format. The system will ask to input required metadata about the research.

# Support for ontologies

- **OBI** (Ontology for Biomedical Investigations)  
i.e. <investigation>, <objective>, <conclusion>.
- **EXPO** (Ontology of scientific experiments)  
i.e. <hypothesis>, <method>, <result>.
- An **ART**-extension  
i.e. <analytical method>, <model>, <equation>.
- Domain ontologies
  - **ChEBI** (Chemical Entities of Biological Interest );
  - **REX** (ontology of physico-chemical methods and properties);
  - **FIX** (ontology of physico-chemical processes);
  - An **ART**-domain extension.

# an ontology for the ART system (a fragment):

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- Investigation component
  - ▶ ● Hypothesis of investigation
  - ▶ ● Experiment
    - Goal of investigation
  - ▶ ● Object of investigation
  - ▶ ● Result of investigation
  - ▶ ● Model
  - ▶ ● Technology
  - Motivation
  - ▶ ● Experiment component
  - ▶ ● Problem analysis
  - Example
  - ▼ ● Method of investigation
    - Analytical method
    - Observational method
    - ▶ ● Experimental method
- Linguistic component
  - ▼ ● Paper section
    - Title
    - Abstract
    - Introduction
    - Experimental
    - Results and discussion
    - Conclusion
  - Paper
  - ▼ ● Representation

## 3. ART



# ART as a translator

- **Annotate:** ontology-based markup of the input text;
- **Recognize:** automatically find a concept/synonym in the text;
- **Get feedback:** from a user;
- **Link:** concept/synonym in the text to the external source;
- **Generate:** summary; RSS feed.

# Methodology

- ‘supervised search’;
- machine learning:
  - concepts recognition;
  - features: ‘zoning’ (i.e. “aim”, “own”); meta-discourse markers ( i.e. “this paper is aimed at...”);
- interactive learning;
- evaluation of the system: survey of generated summaries; text mining application.

# Concepts for automatic recognition:

<motivation for investigation>

<goal of investigation>

<object of investigation>

<hypothesis>

<method>

<model>

<experiment>

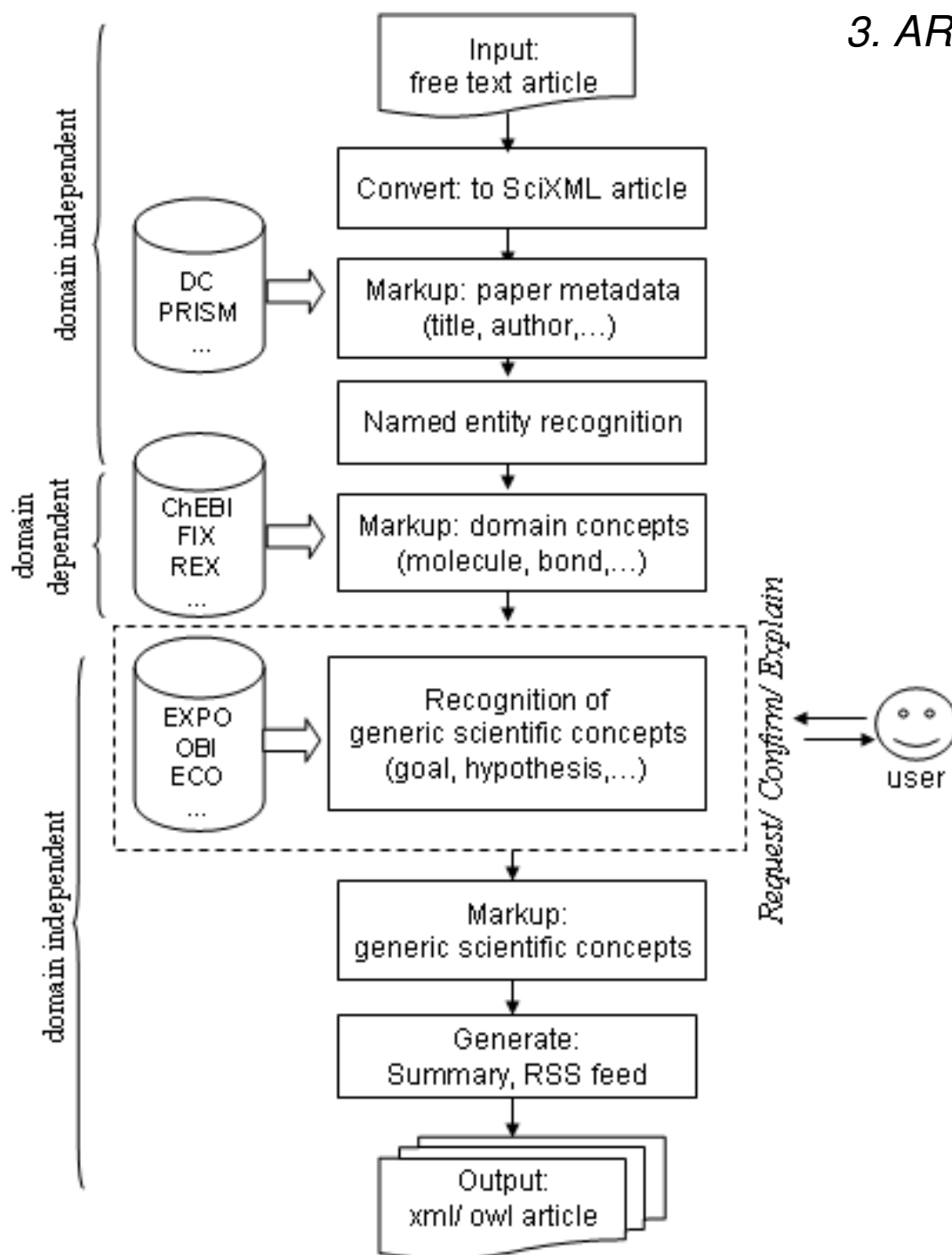
<observation>

<result>

<conclusion>

# A flow diagram for the ART system

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# A fragment of an annotated article

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3. ART

<EXPO: investigation> *map to*

<DC: title> *map to*

<OBI: investigation>

The physical origin of large covalent-ionic resonance energies in some two-electron bonds.

<EXPO: goal>

“studying in detail all the aspects of bond formation in a series of molecules that each display a range of bonding features: H<sub>2</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub> as members of the classical family of covalent bonds, Cl<sub>2</sub> as a bond exhibiting significant CS character, and the series N<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, and F<sub>2</sub> as molecules exhibiting increasing CS character from left to right of the periodic table.”

<EXPO: object of investigation> *map to*

<OBI: investigation object role>

characteristics of CS bond in H<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, Cl<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, F<sub>2</sub> molecules

<EXPO: method>

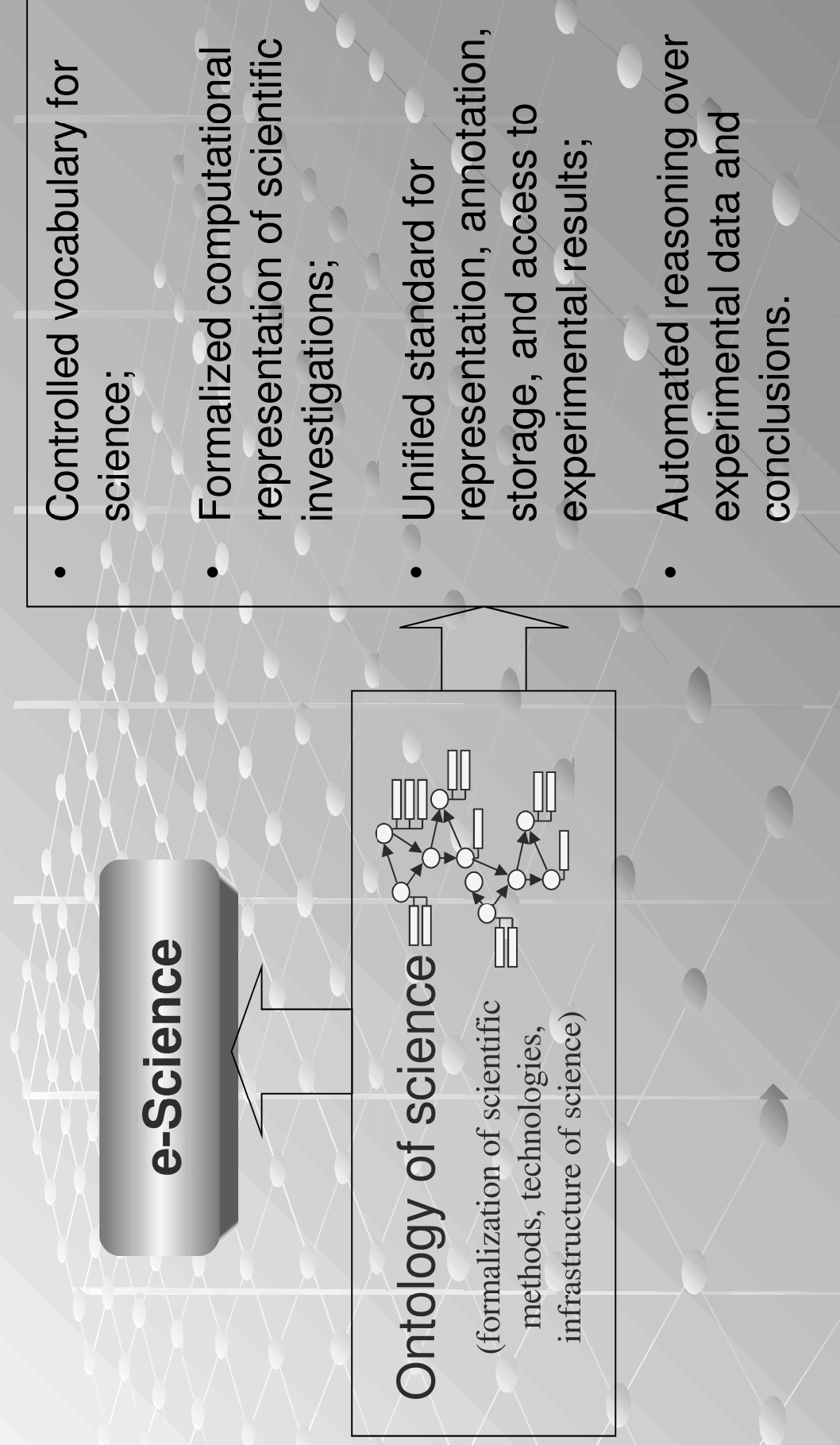
valence bond calculation on two levels:

valence-bond-self consistent field (VBSCF)

breathing-orbital valence bond (BOVB)

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# Ontology of science



# Summary

- The ART tool;
- An ontology support;
- An example repository of papers in OWL.



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