

THE HUMAN BRAIN PHARMACOME

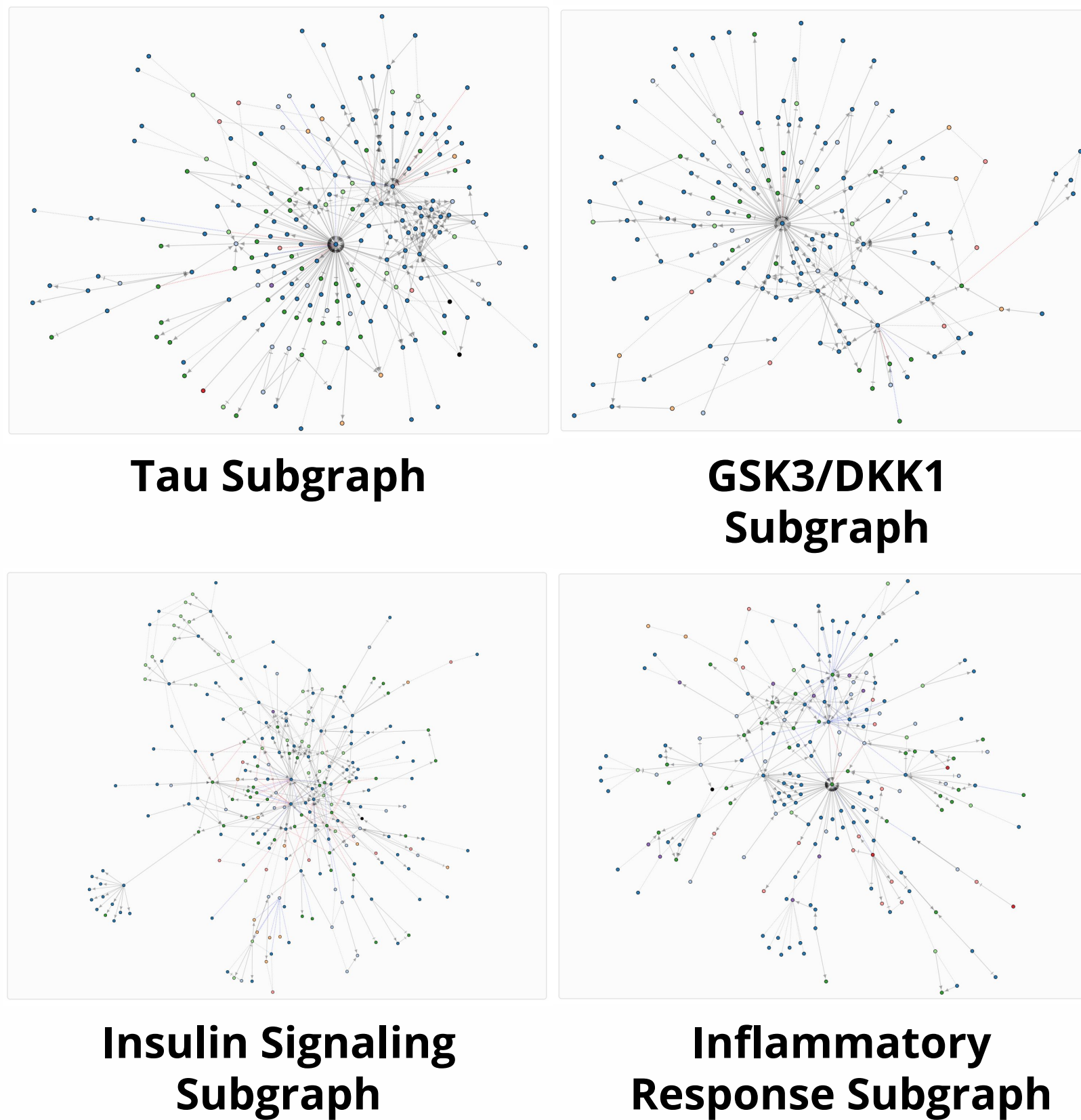
AN OVERVIEW

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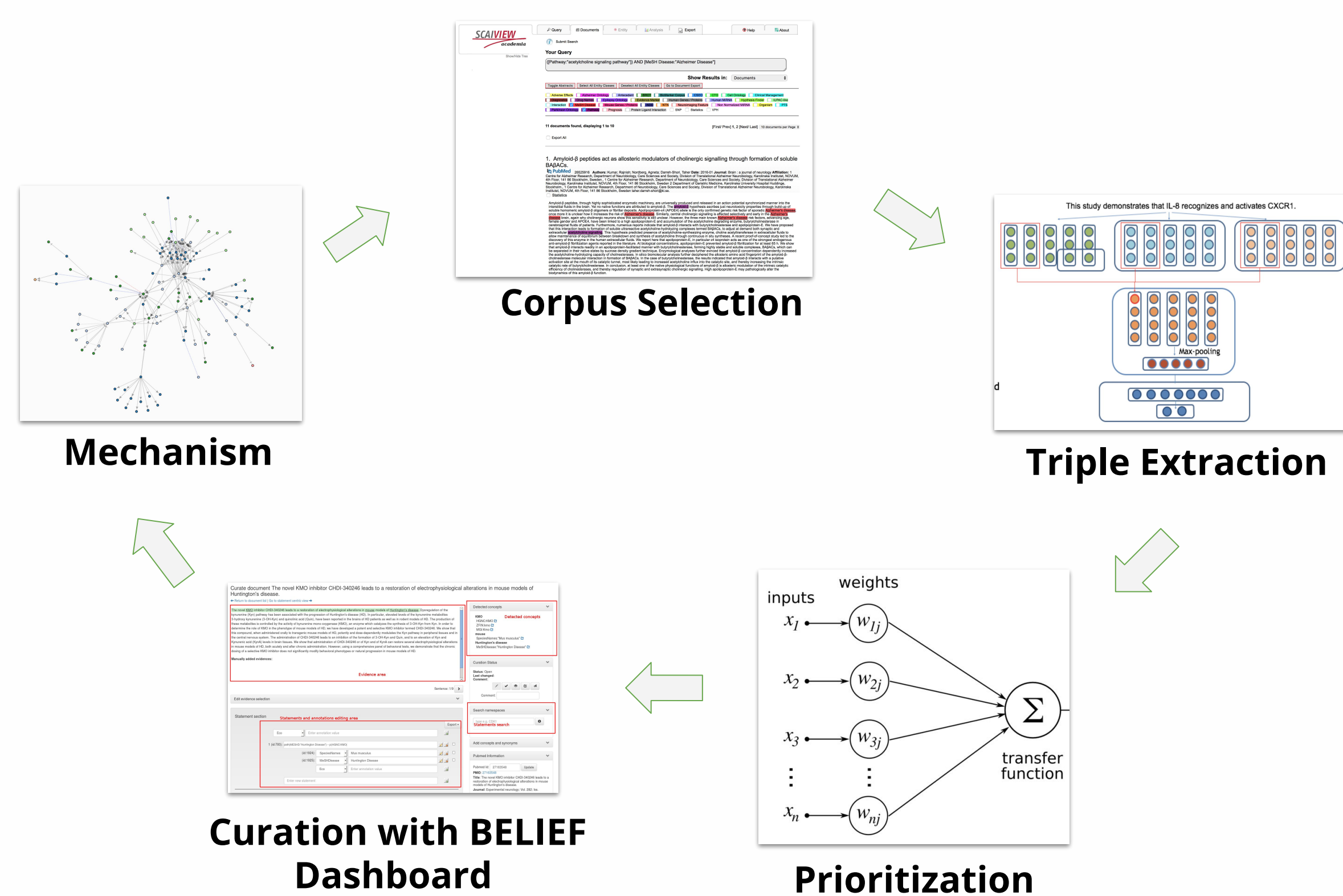
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Candidate Mechanisms



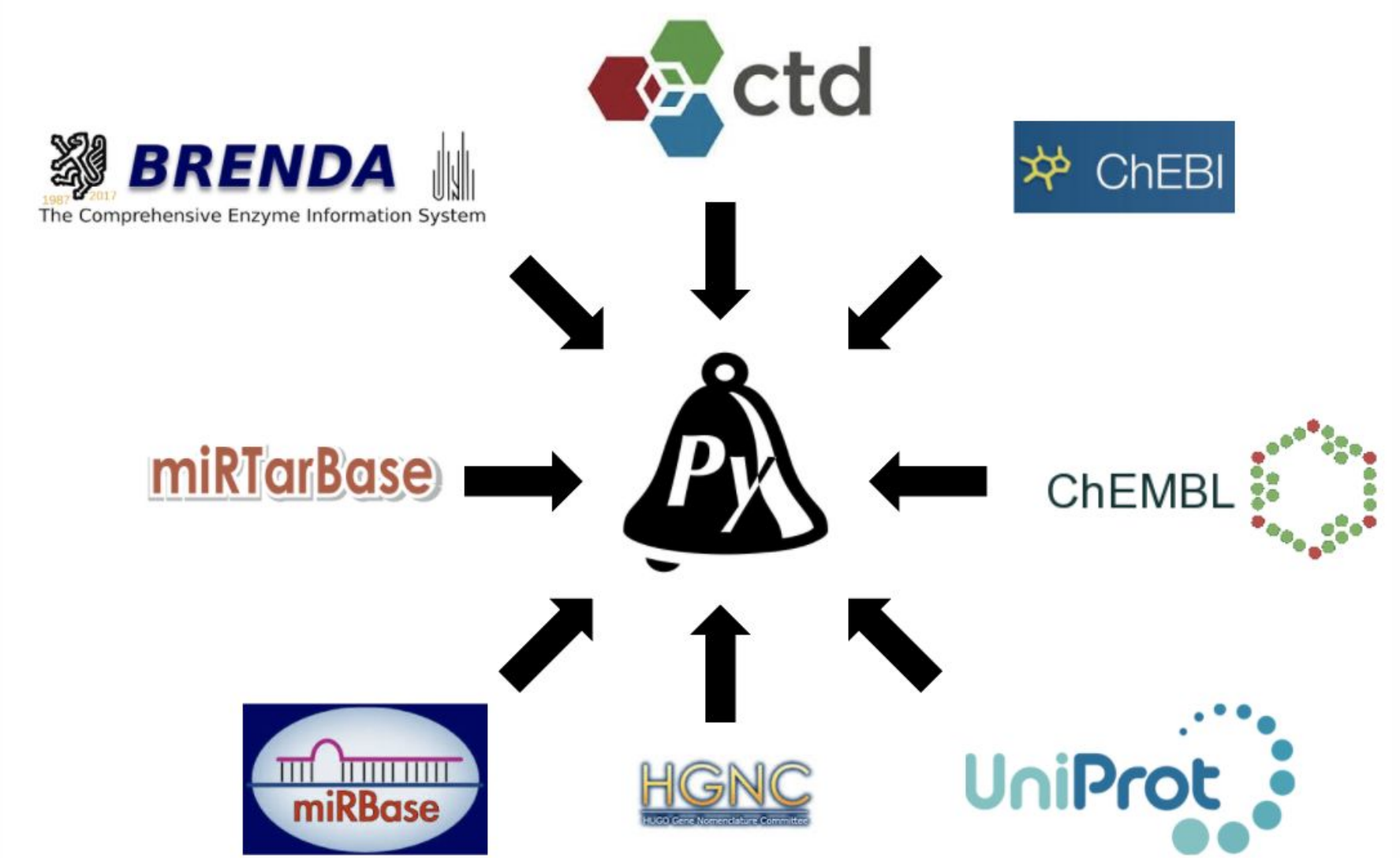
NeuroMMSig uses the Biological Expression Language (BEL) assemble knowledge related to Alzheimer's disease (AD) and identify underlying mechanistic signatures that are more representative of the pathophysiology of the complex disease than individual targets.

Automated Relation Update



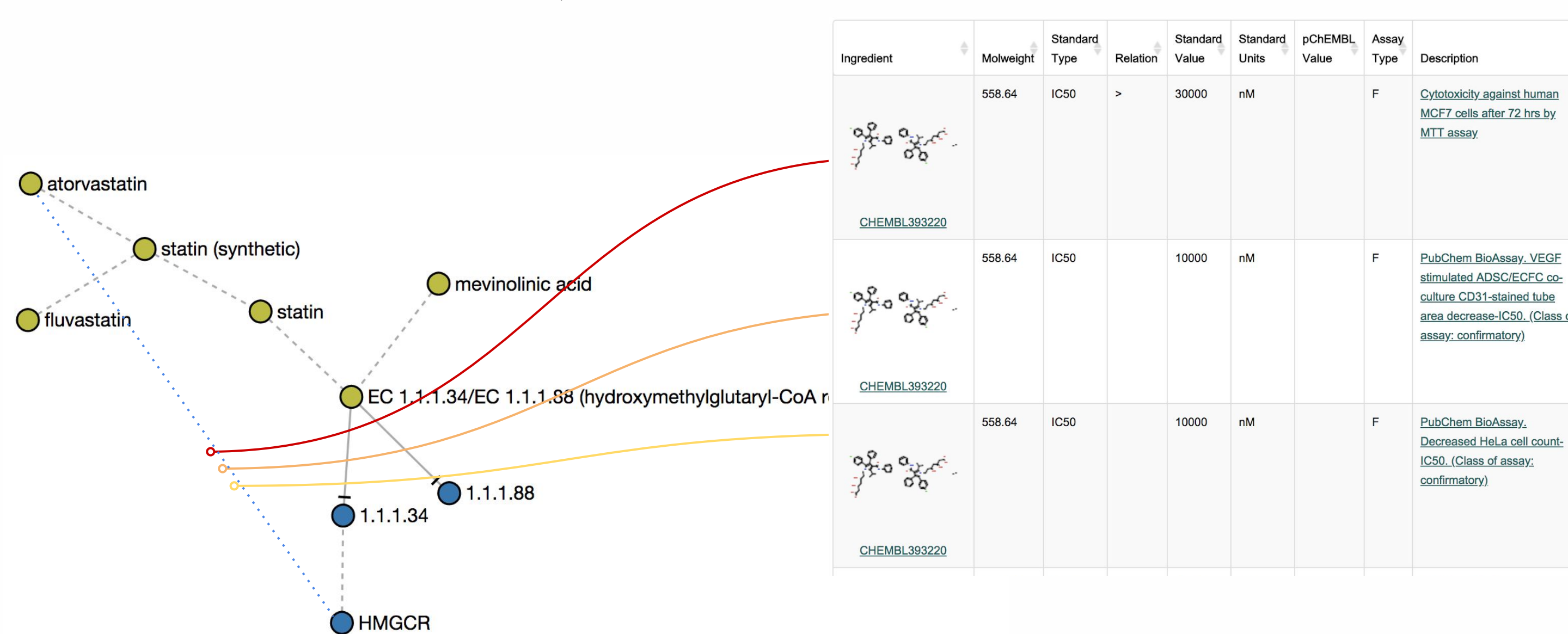
Because knowledge-driven approaches to model the relevant biology and chemistry are inherently limited by the completeness and correctness of their associated knowledge assemblies, natural language processing and relation extraction will be used to continuously extract biomedical relations from the recent biomedical literature and prioritize for semi-automated curation and update.

Semantic BEL



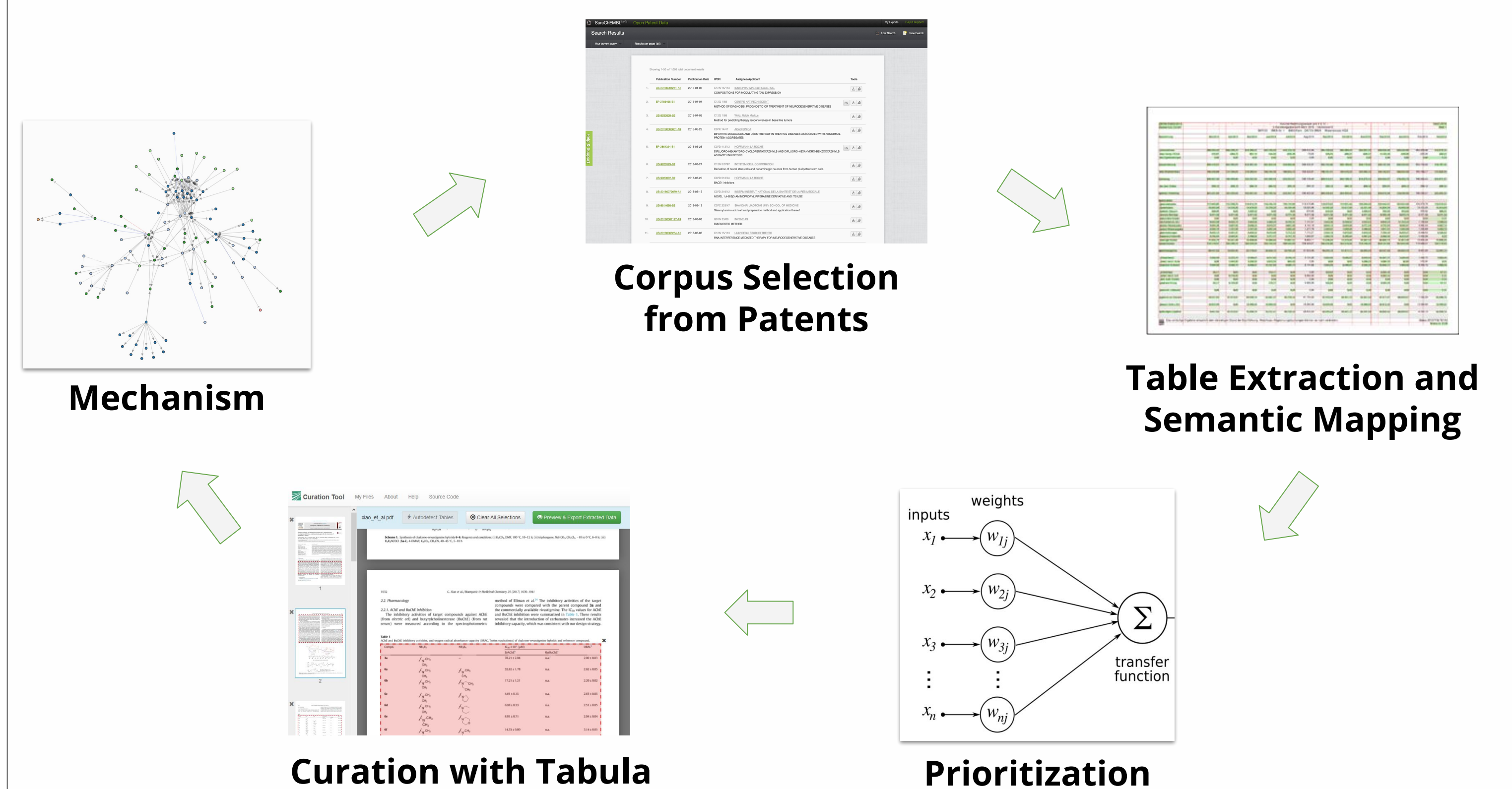
BEL has the potential to serve as a semantic integration platform through which knowledge and data across scales can be integrated and analyzed. Several repositories of chemogenomic have already been integrated using PyBEL and Bio2BEL (<https://github.com/bio2bel>).

Quantitative BEL



The introduction of quantitative information to previously qualitative mechanistic knowledge assemblies is the first step towards enabling mechanistically-driven chemoinformatics. This will not only involve using chemometrics to identify molecules with the appropriate physical properties, but also generalizing the paradigm of one-drug-one-target used in classic structure-activity-relationship exploration to be applicable for multiple drugs (or drugs with polypharmacology) to either constellations of targets or to entire mechanisms.

Automated Quantitative Information Extraction

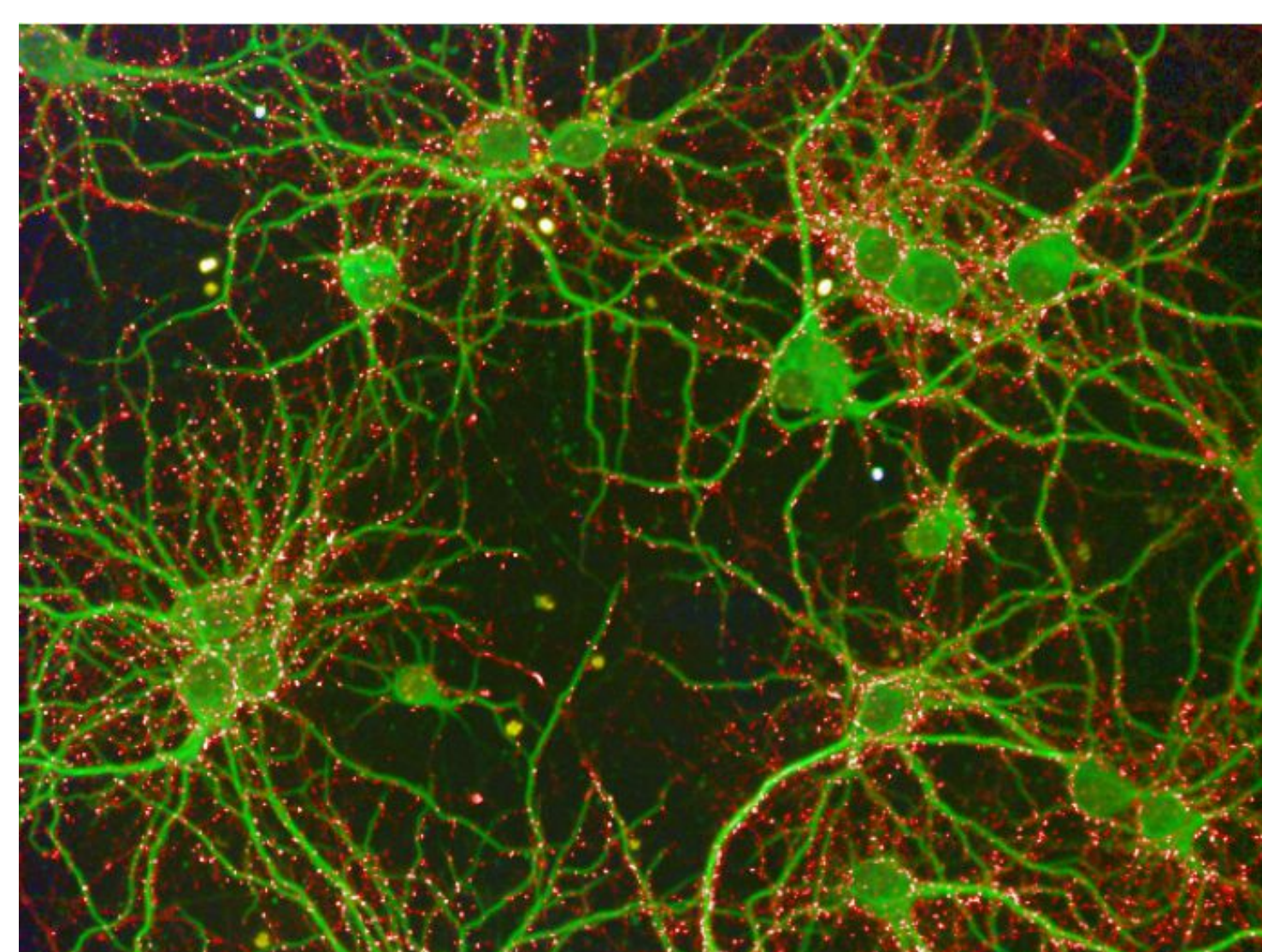


Computer vision and deep-learning techniques from **Fraunhofer IAIS** that will be used to extract quantitative pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic information directly from tables embedded in the biomedical literature and patents to complement and extend publicly available resources.

Assays and Drug Repurposing

The HBP will be used to develop several orthologous *in-silico* techniques for proposing repurposing candidates based on classifiers for blood-brain-barrier penetration, chemical space novelty detection, competitive intelligence, and novel network traversal techniques at **Fraunhofer SCAI**.

Assays will be developed concurrently at **Fraunhofer IME** to test the inputs and outputs of the prioritized mechanisms and validate chemicals proposed for repurposing experimentally *in-situ* and *in-vitro*.



Human iPSC cell lines are differentiated to neuron-like cells in which further mechanism-based assays will be developed. Photo credit to Bernhard Ellinger, Fraunhofer IME.

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