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# **THE ACTIVE INGREDIENTS REVOLUTION: HOW ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IS SHAPING THE FUTURE OF COSMETICS**

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## ABOUT ME

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**Billions of \$\$\$\$ are  
poured into the  
search for the next  
breakthrough star  
ingredient**





# NATURE- BIODIVERSITY



**Nature's biodiversity holds immense potential for revolutionary and innovative advancements in the functional ingredients industry.**

**Yet, less than 1% of natural molecules have been characterized, leaving the vast majority of nature's possibilities untapped.**





**Less than 1% of Natural Molecules  
Have Been Characterized**

**The vast majority of nature's potential  
remains unexplored**



# NATURAL PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT : THE HIDDEN CHALLENGES

**>900**

Of tests, including *in-vitro* & **animal testing**, safety and efficacy validation, and clinical trials.

**3-5 y**

Average time to develop new natural products

**70%**

R&D projects  
FAILURE RATE

\*Cosmetics, food additives and functional ingredients

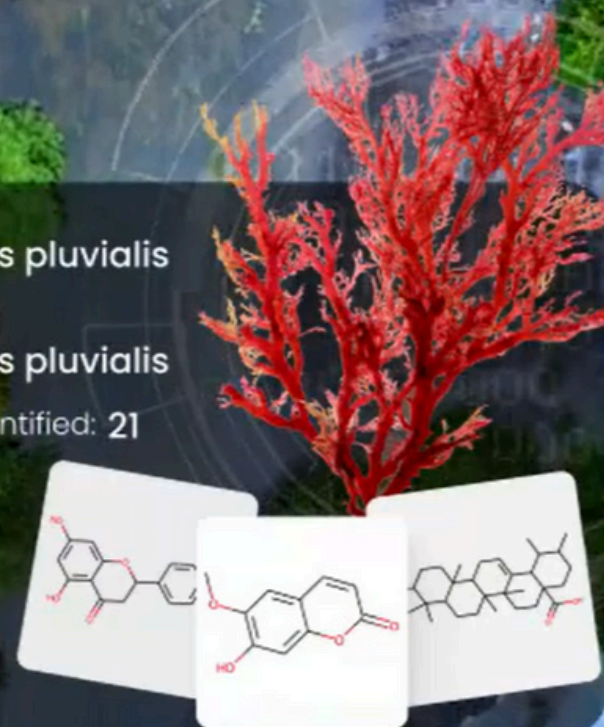


**Haematococcus pluvialis**

Scientific Name:

**Haematococcus pluvialis**

New BioActives identified: 21





# AI SCREENING OF NATURAL COMPOUNDS

Our A.I. system has mapped:



**over 60,000** organisms



**over 500,000** natural compounds

99% of the data consists of  
**unique AI-driven predictions**





**(ONE OF) THE FIRST AI-DEVELOPED  
COSMETIC PRODUCTS**

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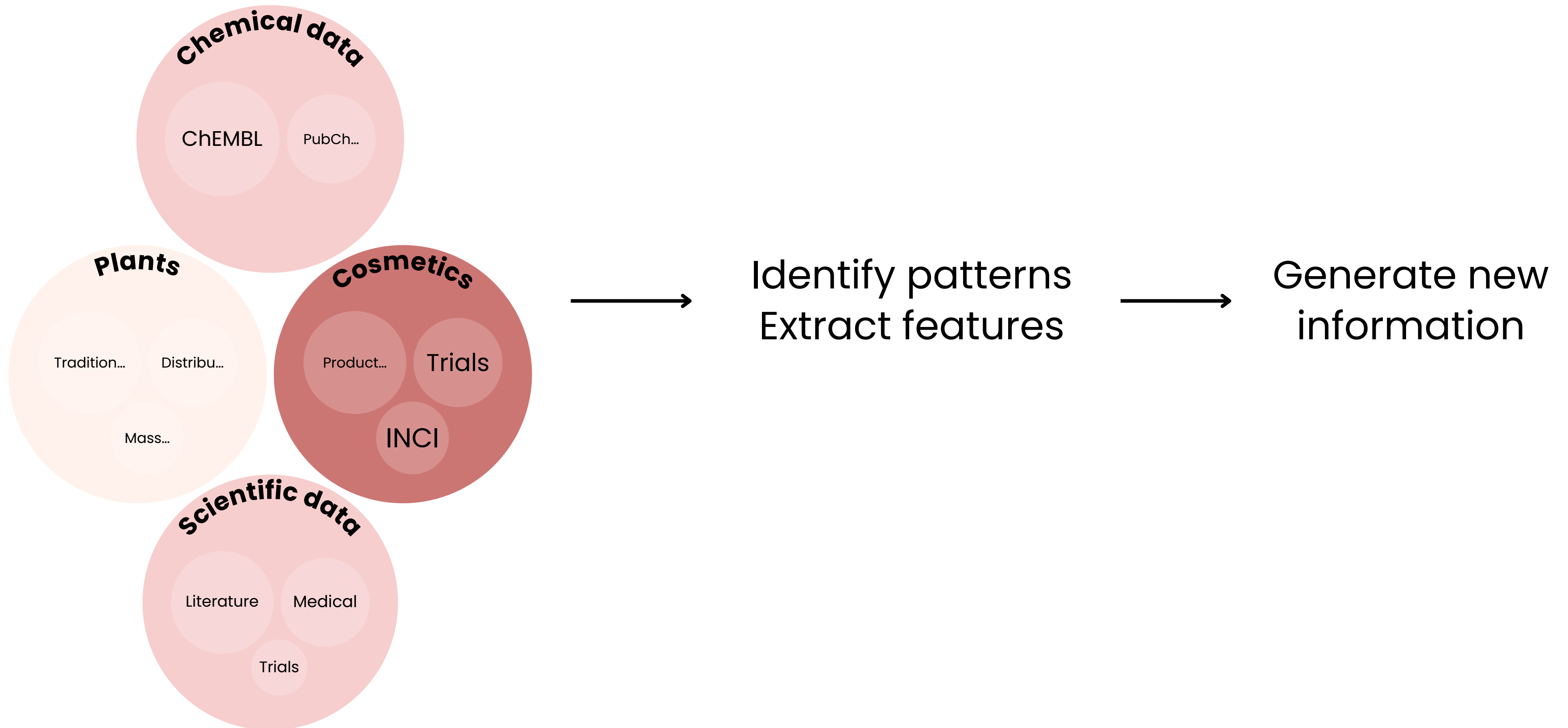
**AI-Developed Serum**

**Validated by clinical trials**





# AI IN COSMETICS





# PATENT-PENDING TECHNOLOGY :

## AI-BASED PLATFORM FOR MOLECULAR SCORING

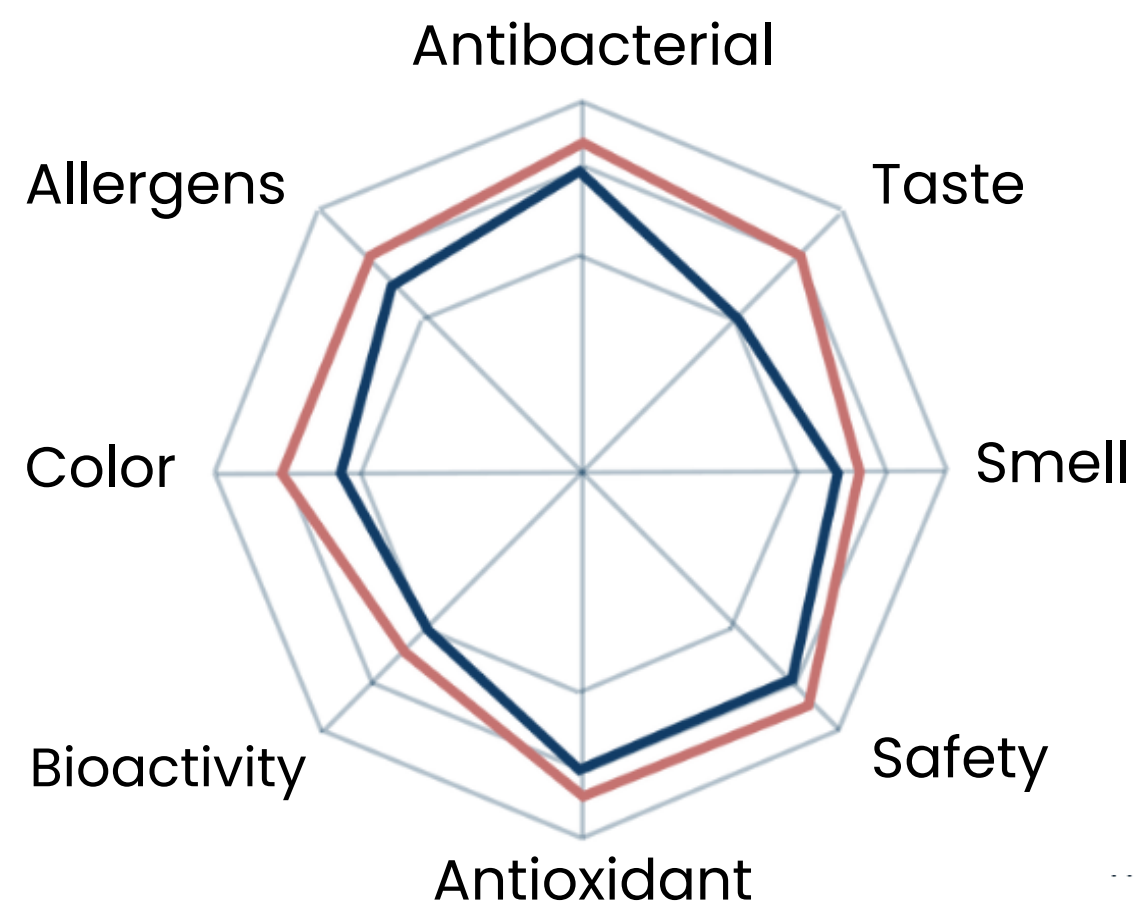
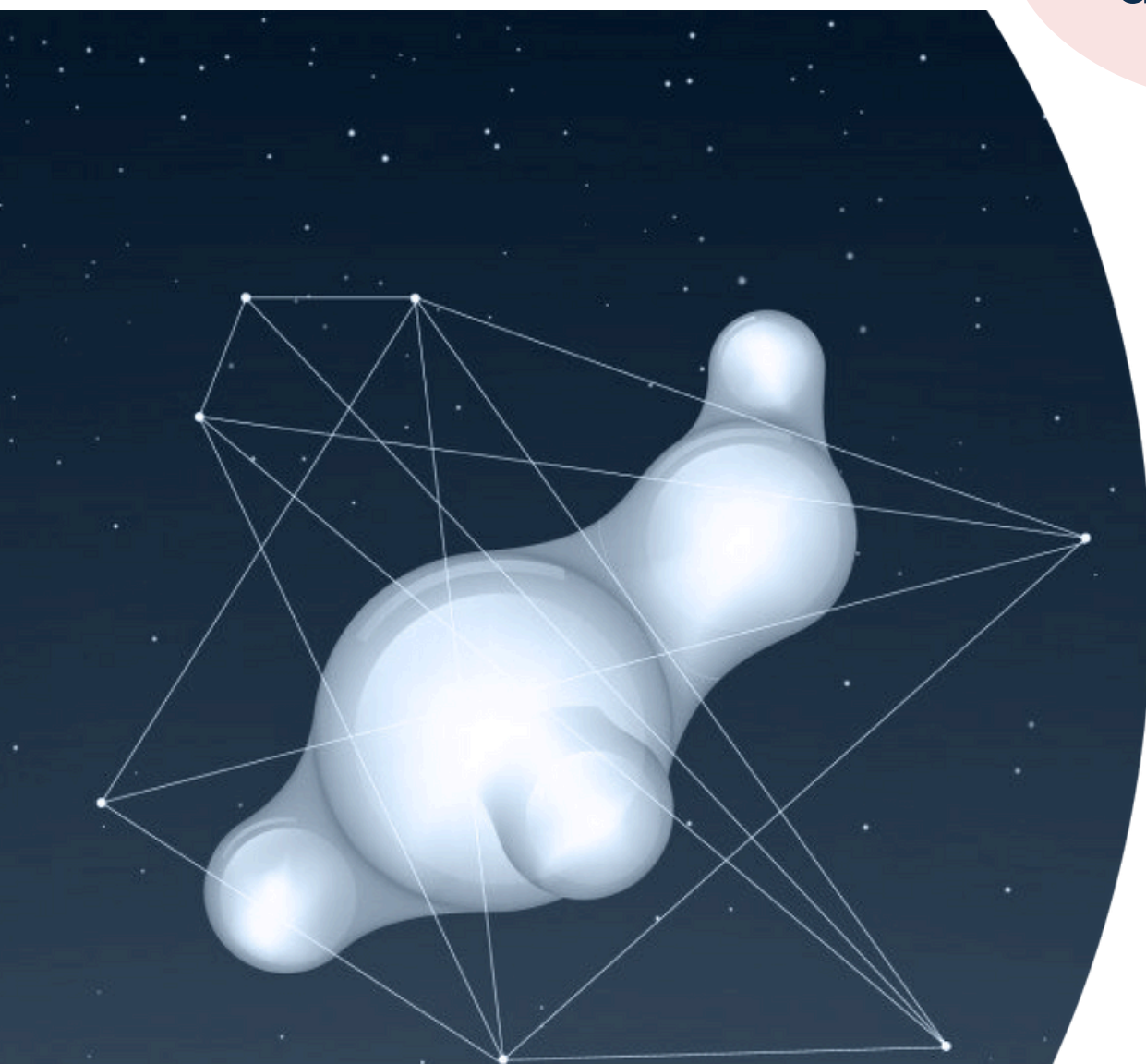
3D molecular reconstruction

Sensory and biological  
predictions

Synergy prediction

Deep QSAR  
algorithm

Virtual Tissue  
Model





# WHY SYNERGY IS CRUCIAL WHEN FORMULATING ?



Get higher efficacy than additive: super-star complex

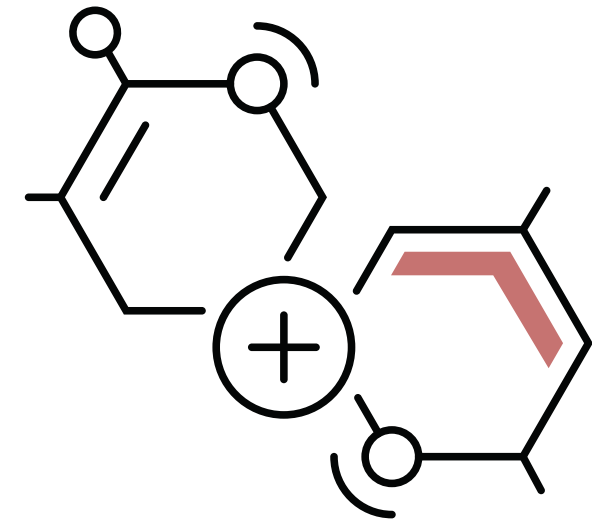
$$1 + 1 = 3$$



Use a lower concentration: less side effects

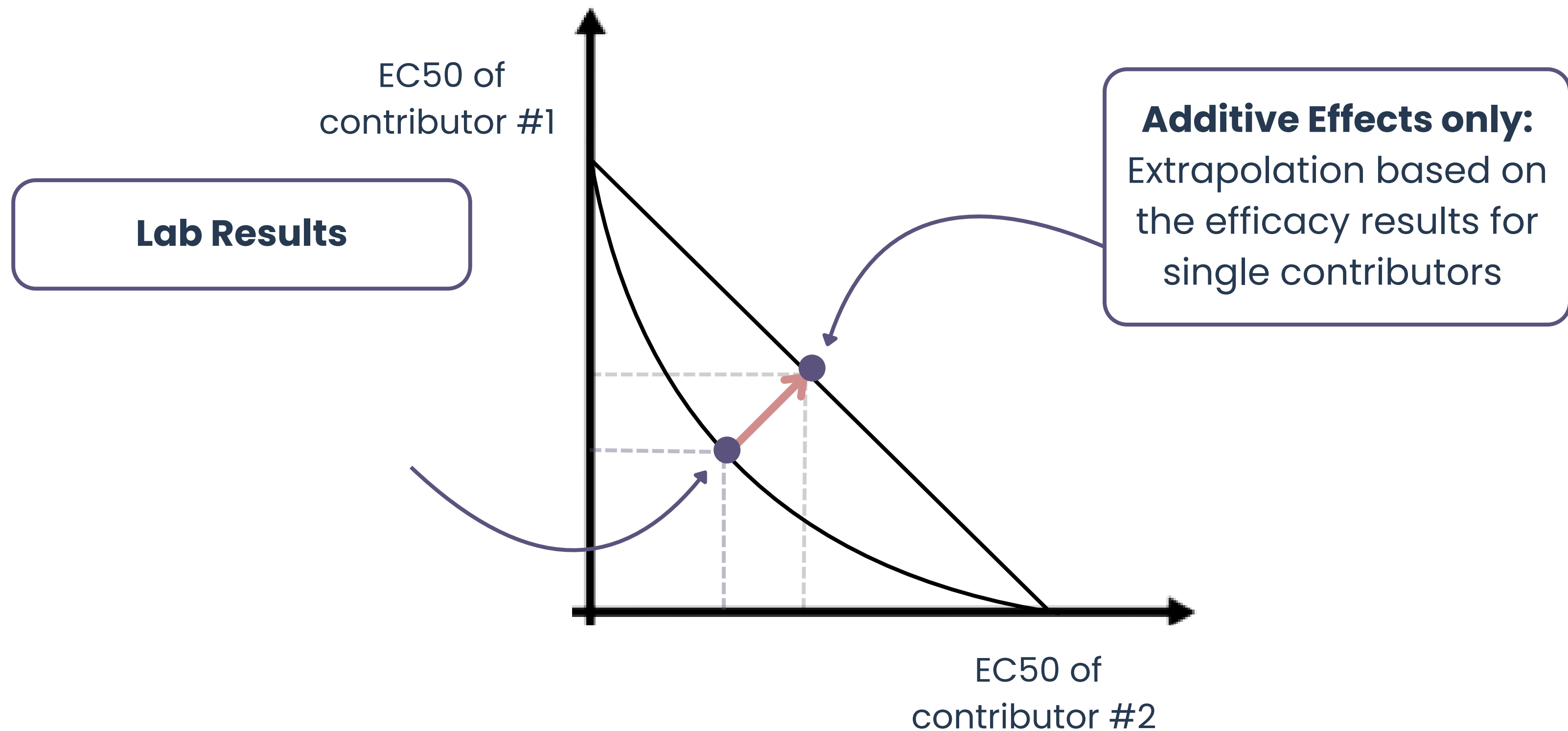


Crucial for patent applications





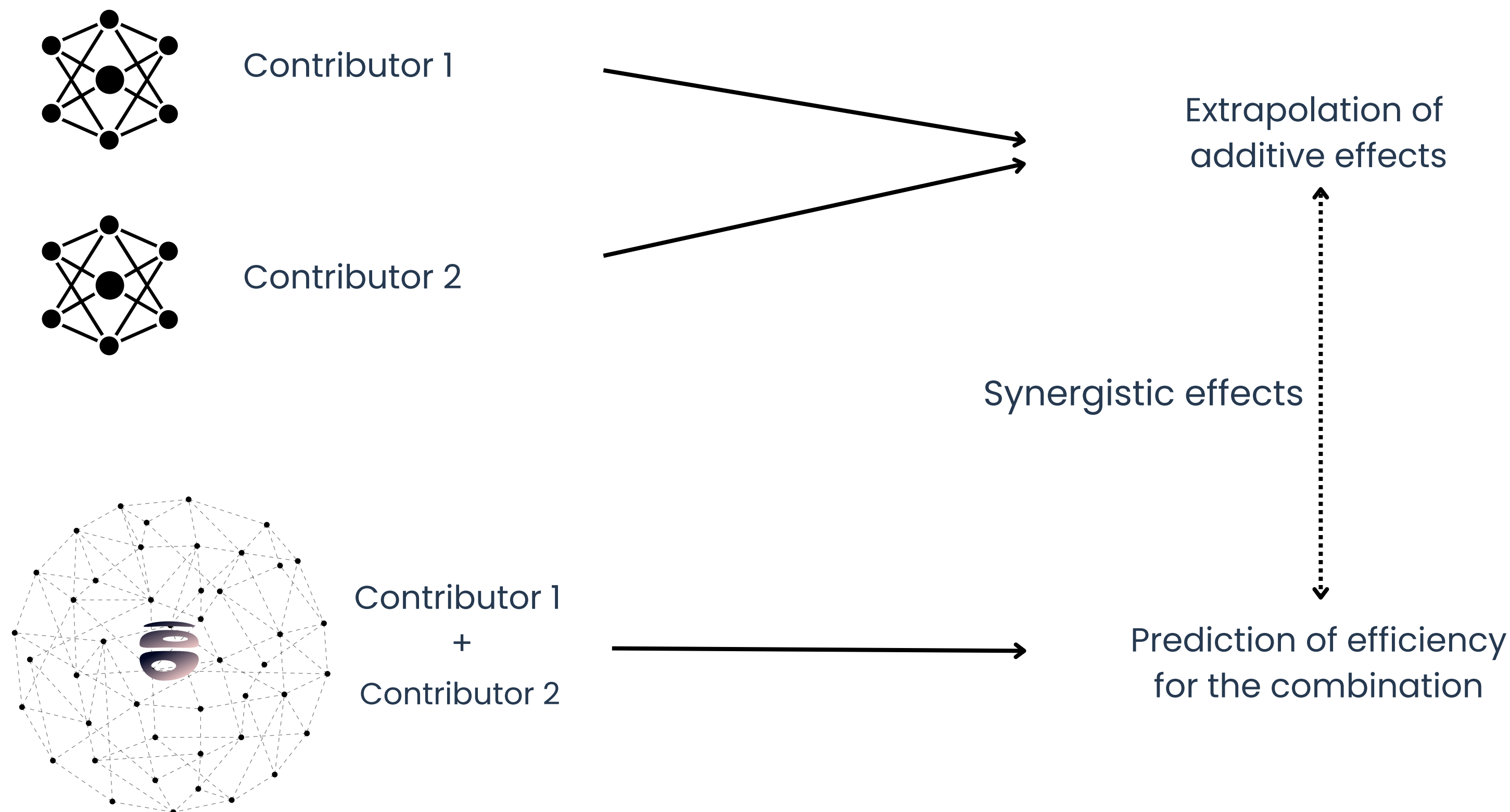
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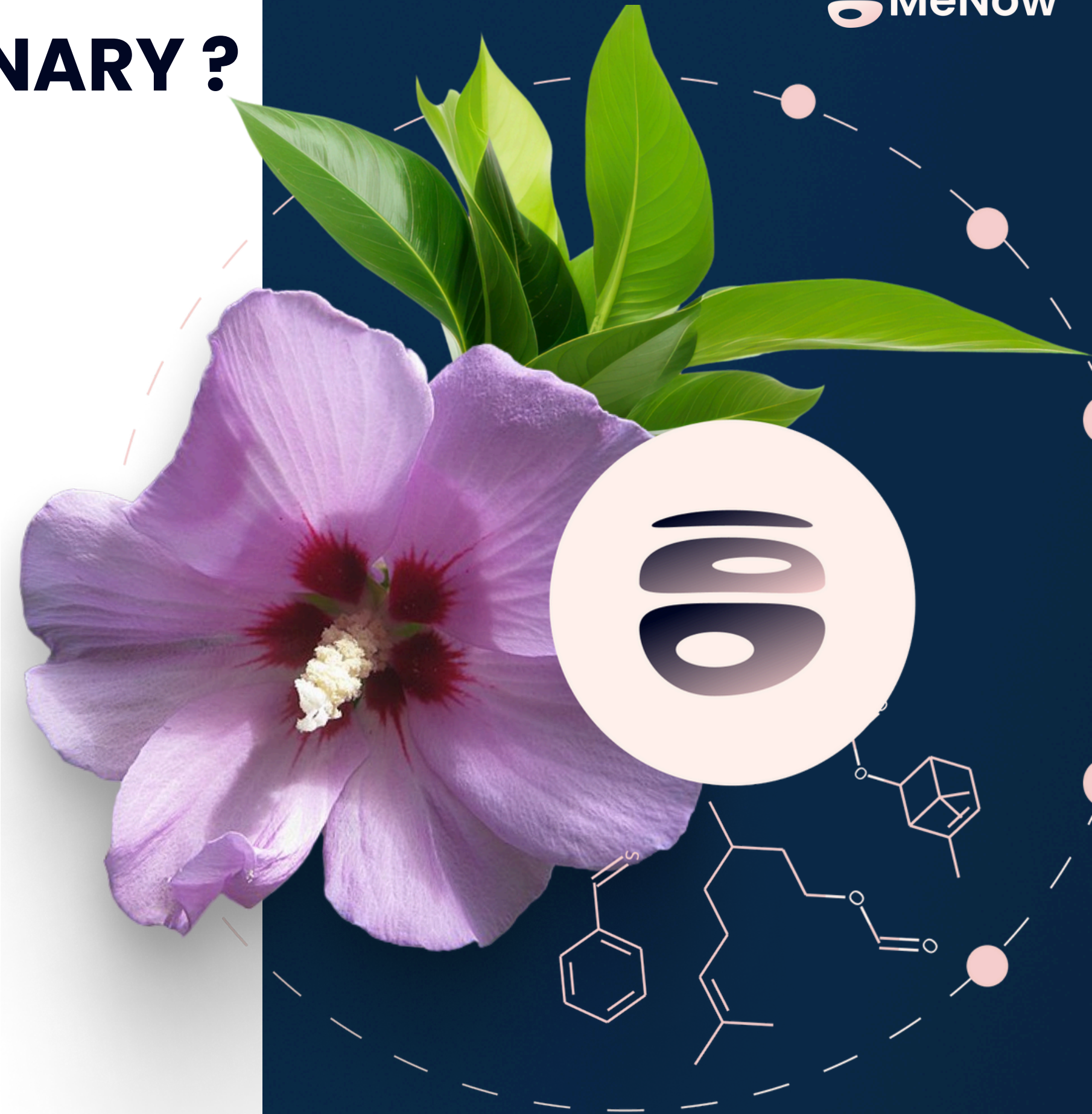
# IN SILICO COMPUTATION:

## AI PREDICTIONS OF SYNERGISTIC EFFECTS



# HOW WILL THIS BE REVOLUTIONARY ?

- **MeNow AI:**  
Unlocking 25x More New Ingredients
- Accelerate innovation
- Predict synergistic and antagonistic interactions





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Working with MeNow has **significantly added value to our product development processes**. Using their AI, they quickly and efficiently delivered unique plant-based bioactives and synergistic plant combinations not documented elsewhere, notably accelerating our research.

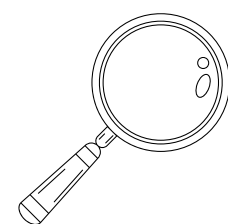
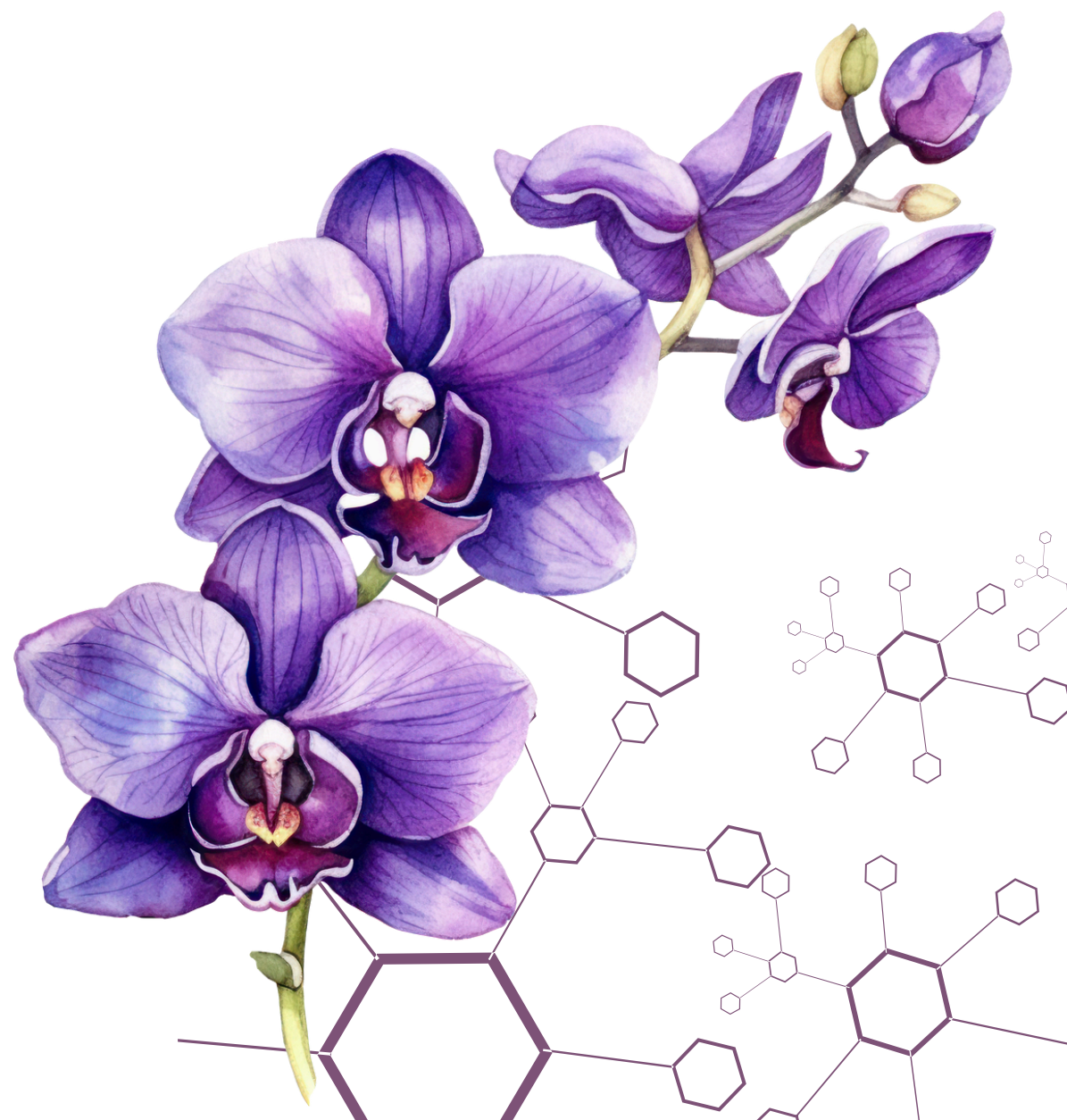
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# SELECTING THE BEST EXTRACTION METHOD USING AI



Identify the most relevant molecules

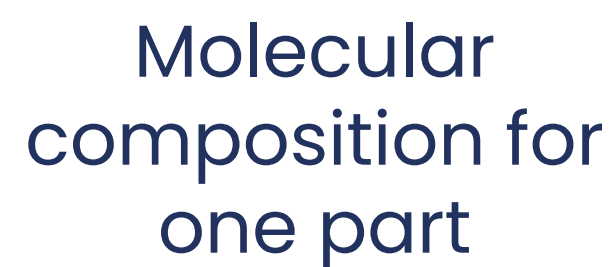


Explore internal synergies



Predict the molecular composition according to the extraction method and part of plants







# PREDICTION OF PART OF PLANTS AND SUSTAINABILITY

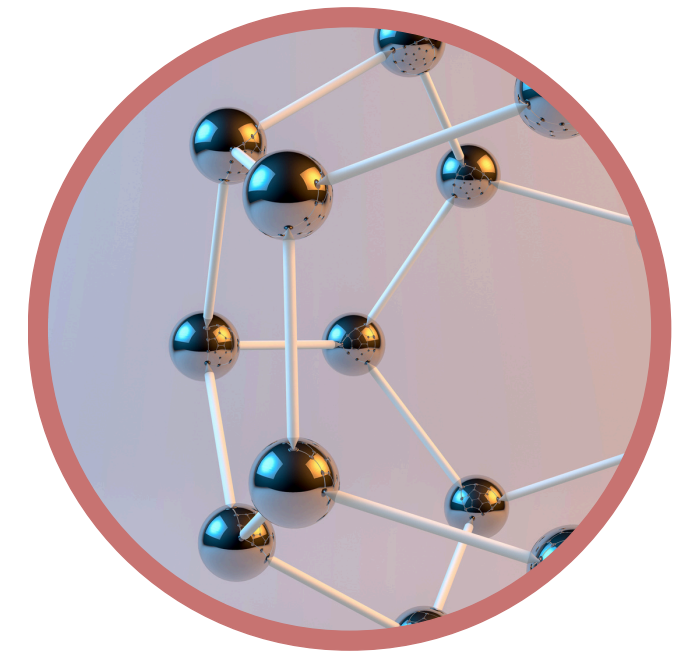


**Vineyard Pruning** 🔍

Generates waste



Predicts possible uses for  
excess plant materials



**Innovation**

Discovery of new  
sustainable actives



# “WILL AI TAKE YOUR JOB?”

NVIDIA CEO Jensen Huang



<https://www.youtube.com/shorts/VyfEj67k8-o?feature=share>



# HOW TO KEEP AHEAD AS NON AI EXPERTS ?

- Look for tools that are easy to use as Google but with high scientific accuracy
- Make using it an habit
- Keep your creative spirit





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