

Top 200 Drugs by Worldwide Sales 2016

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Abstract: The poster series of the *Top 200 Drugs by Worldwide Sales* by G. Sedelmeier and J. Sedelmeier has now been updated with an overview of the top selling drugs in 2016. QuintilesIMS collected sales numbers in 59 countries for all companies.

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As a continuation of the poster series of the *Top 200 Drugs by Worldwide Sales*,^[1] G. Sedelmeier and J. Sedelmeier have composed an updated overview of the top selling drugs in 2016. QuintilesIMS collected sales numbers in 59 countries for all companies.^[2]

Over recent years the importance of biopharmaceuticals has steadily increased. Of the top ten ranked drugs, six candidates are biopharmaceuticals and four

represent small molecules. The top-selling drug in 2016 is the monoclonal antibody *Adalimumab* (Humira®). However, about 75% of the top 200 drugs by worldwide sales are traditional small molecules.

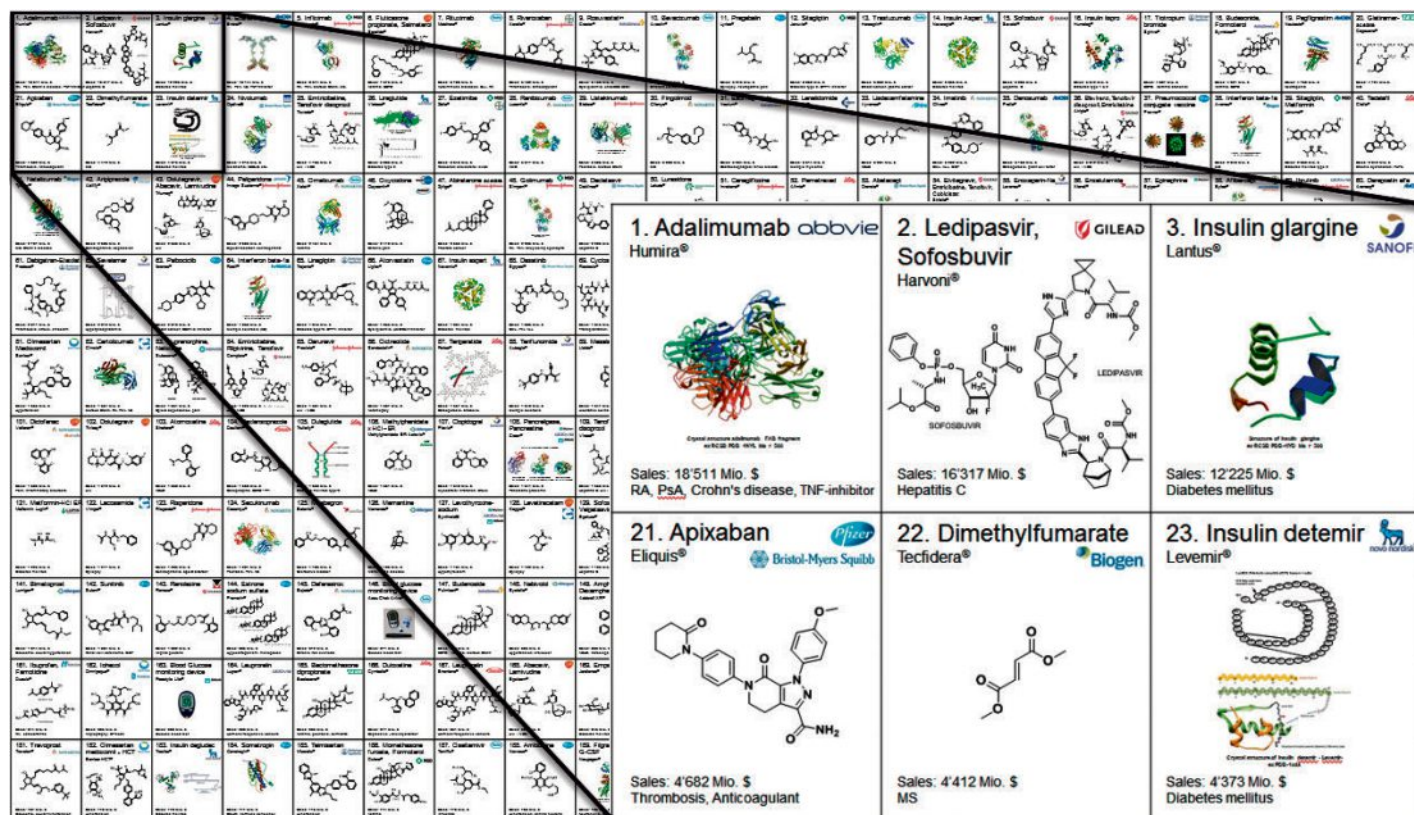
We hope this poster inspires researchers and serves as a springboard of ideas for scientists interested in the development of innovative methodologies and new synthetic entities. The depicted drugs span a wide range of indications and nicely em-

phasize how pharmaceutical sciences positively impact the lives of patients.

The poster is available for download: chimia.ch/top-drugsales-2016

[1] F. Weber, G. Sedelmeier, *Nachr. Chem.* **2013**, *61*, 528; F. Weber, G. Sedelmeier, *Nachr. Chem.* **2014**, *62*, 997.

[2] Source: QuintilesIMS MIDAS Quantum, MAT December 2016. All data on this poster may only be used for purely academic purposes.



Poster of the top 200 drugs in 2016 with magnification of the drugs 1 to 3 and 21 to 22

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