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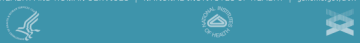


Current Topics in Genome Analysis
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Week 3: Biological Sequence Analysis II

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Overview

- Week 2
 - Similarity vs. Homology
 - Global vs. Local Alignments
 - Scoring Matrices
 - BLAST
 - BLAT
- Week 3
 - Profiles, Patterns, Motifs, and Domains
 - Structures: VAST, Cn3D, and *de novo* Prediction
 - Multiple Sequence Alignment



Sequence Comparisons

- Homology searches
 - Usually “one-against-one” *BLAST, FASTA*
 - Allows for comparison of individual sequences against databases comprised of individual sequences
- Profile searches
 - Uses collective characteristics of a family of proteins
 - Search can be “one-against-many” *Pfam, InterPro, CDD*
or “many-against-one” *PSI-BLAST*



Profiles

- Numerical representations of multiple sequence alignments
- Depend upon *patterns* or *motifs* containing conserved residues
- Represent the common characteristics of a protein family
- Can find similarities between sequences with little or no sequence identity
- Allow for the analysis of distantly-related proteins



Profile Construction

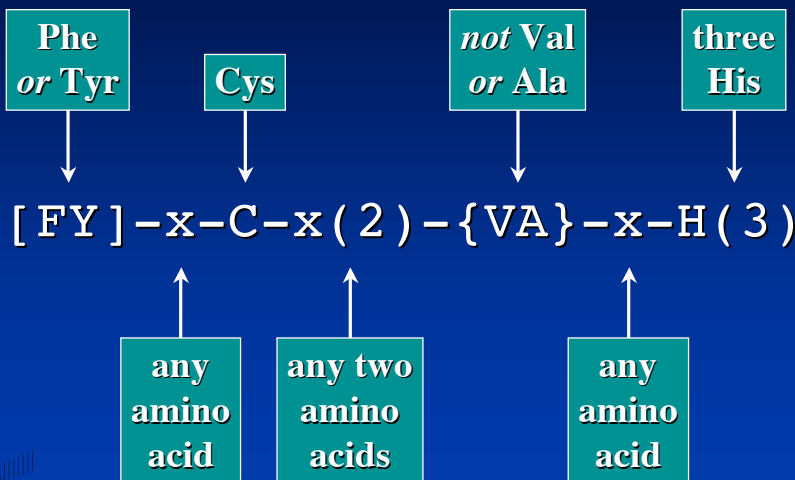
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- Which residues are seen at each position?
- What is the frequency of observed residues?
- Which positions are conserved?
- Where can gaps be introduced?

Position-Specific Scoring Table

Cons	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	K	L	M	N	P	Q	R	S	T	V	W	Y	Z
G	17	18	0	19	14	-22	31	0	-9	12	-15	-5	15	10	9	6	18	14	1	-15	-22	11
P	-10	0	10	0	0	12	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	2	-2	12	11	17	-31	-8	1
H	5	24	-12	29	25	-20	8	32	-9	9	-10	-9	22	7	30	10	0	4	-8	-20	-7	27
I	-1	-12	6	-13	-11	33	-12	-13	63	-11	40	29	-15	-9	-14	-15	-6	7	50	-17	8	-11
V	3	-11	1	-11	-9	22	-3	-11	46	-9	37	30	-13	-3	-9	-13	-6	6	50	-19	2	-8
V	5	-9	9	-9	-9	19	-1	-13	57	-9	35	26	-13	-2	-11	-13	-4	9	58	-29	0	-9
A	54	15	12	20	17	-24	44	-6	-4	-1	-11	-5	12	19	9	-13	21	19	9	-39	-20	10
T	40	20	20	20	20	-30	40	-10	20	20	-10	0	20	30	-10	-10	30	150	20	-60	-30	10
P	0	0	7	0	0	13	10	13	0	0	10	13	0	89	17	17	24	22	9	-50	-48	12
G	70	60	20	70	50	0	150	-20	-30	-10	-50	-30	40	30	20	-30	60	40	20	-100	-70	30

Patterns



Pfam

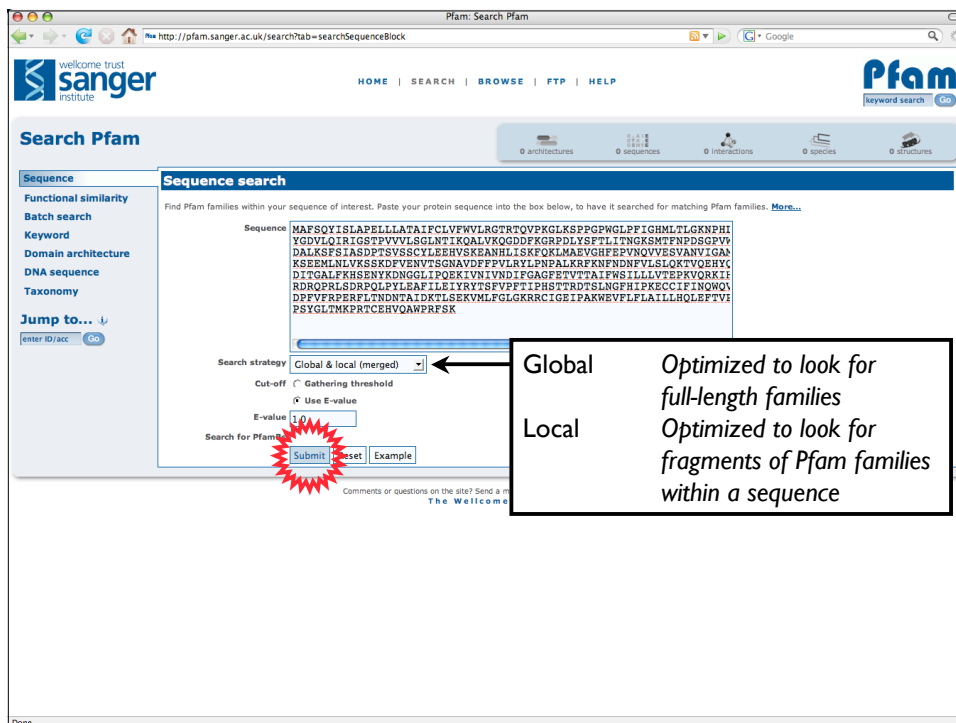
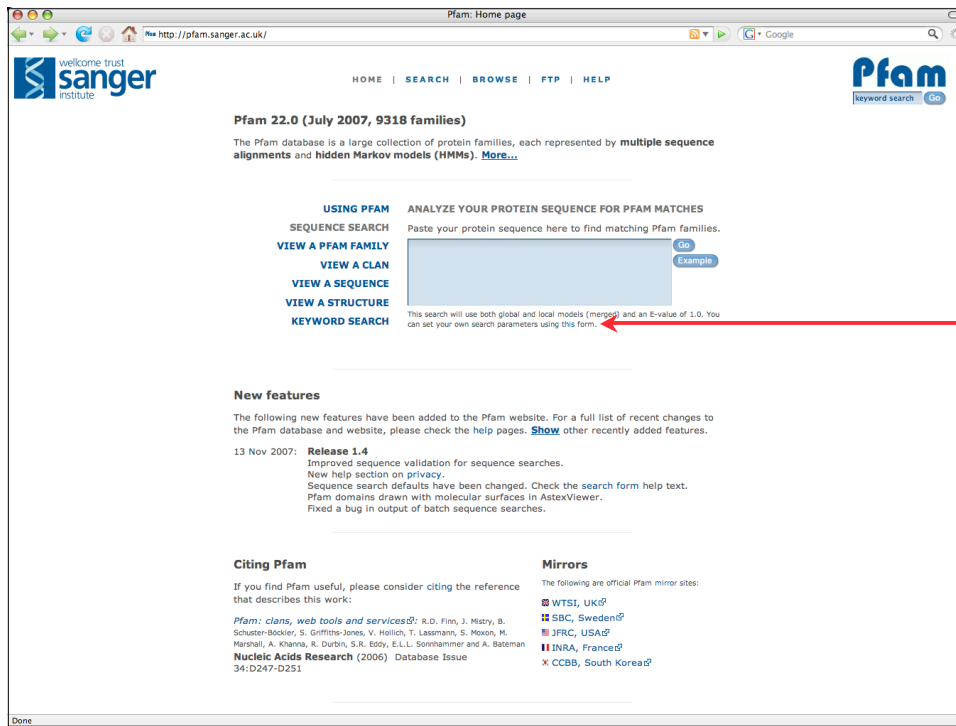
- Collection of multiple alignments of protein domains and conserved protein regions (regions which probably have structural or functional importance)
- Each Pfam entry contains:
 - Multiple sequence alignment of family members
 - Protein domain architectures
 - Species distribution of family members
 - Information on known protein structures
 - Links to other protein family databases



Pfam

- Pfam A
 - Based on *curated* multiple alignments (“seed alignment”)
 - Hidden Markov models (HMMs) used to find all detectable protein sequences belonging to the family
 - Given the method used to construct the alignments, hits are highly likely to be true positives
- Pfam B
 - Automatically generated from database searches
 - Deemed “lower quality”, but can be useful when no Pfam A family is identified





Pfam: Sequence search results

http://pfam.sanger.ac.uk/search/sequence/results?jobid=3881E3CA-C82D-11DC-8CFC-A48270EDEF6

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Pfam keyword search

Sequence search results

We found 1 Pfam-A match to your search sequence. You did not choose to search for Pfam-B matches. The Pfam graphic below shows the arrangement of the domains on your search sequence. Clicking on any of the domains will take you to a page of information about that domain.

Below showing the details of the domains that were found. Rows containing significant hits are highlighted. Hits which do not start and end at the end points of the matching HMM are also highlighted.

For Pfam-A hits we show the alignments between your search sequence and the matching HMM. You can show individual alignments by clicking on the "Show" button in each row of the result table, or you can show all alignments using the links above the table. You can bookmark this page and return to it later, but please note that old results will be removed after one week. Return to the search form to look for Pfam domains on a new sequence.

Pfam-A Matches

Show or hide all alignments.

Pfam-A	Description	Entry type	Sequence		HMM		Bits score	E-value	Alignment mode	Show/hide alignment
			Start	End	From	To				
p450	Cytochrome P450	Domain	41	506	1	504	367.2	9.1e-113	fs	Show

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#HM      -->Ppqpptp1P1Gn1q1grgrf1kd1h1evf1k1ak1yGp1f1ly1Gp1kv1v1ag1p1e1v1k1k1e1e1g1g1d1e1f1l1k1p1f1g1h1g1v1f1a1g1.
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Comments or questions on the site? Send a mail to pfam-help@sanger.ac.uk

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Pfam: Family: p450 (PF00067)

http://pfam.sanger.ac.uk/family/acc=PF00067

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Summary

Cytochrome P450 [Add annotation](#)

Cytochrome P450s are haem-thiolate proteins [6] involved in the oxidative degradation of various compounds. They are particularly well known for their role in the degradation of environmental toxins and mutagens. They can be divided into 4 classes, according to the method by which electrons from NAD(P)H are delivered to the catalytic site. Sequence conservation is relatively low within the family - there are only 3 absolutely conserved residues - but their general topography and structural fold are highly conserved. The conserved core is composed of a coil termed the 'meander', a four-helix bundle, helices 3 and 4, and two sets of beta-sheets. These constitute the haem-binding loop (with an absolutely conserved cysteine that serves as the 5th ligand for the haem iron), the proton-transfer groove and the absolutely conserved EXXR motif in helix K. While prokaryotic P450s are soluble proteins, most eukaryotic P450s are associated with microsomal membranes. Their general enzymatic function is to catalyse regioselective and stereospecific oxidation of non-activated hydrocarbons at physiological temperatures [6].

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Interpro entry IPR001128

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Cytochrome P450 enzymes use haem to oxidise their substrates, using protons derived from NADH or NADPH to split the oxygen so a single atom can be added to a substrate. They also require electrons, which they receive from a variety of redox partners. In certain cases, cytochrome P450 can be fused to its redox partner to produce a bi-functional protein, such as with P450BM-3 from *Bacillus megaterium* PUBMED:11021115, which has haem and flavin domains.

Organisms produce many different cytochrome P450 enzymes (at least 58 in humans), which together with alternative splicing can provide a wide array of enzymes with different substrate and tissue specificities. Individual cytochrome P450 proteins follow the nomenclature: CYP, followed by a number (family), then a letter (subfamily), and another number (protein); e.g. CYP3A4 is the fourth protein in family 3, subfamily A. In general, family members should share >40% identity, while subfamily members should share >55% identity.

Cytochrome P450 proteins can also be grouped by two different schemes. One scheme was based on a taxonomic split: class I (prokaryotic/mitochondrial) and class II (eukaryotic microsomes). The other scheme was based on the number of components in the system: class B (2-components) and class E (2-components). These classes merge to a certain degree. Most prokaryotes and mitochondria (and fungal CYP55) have 3-component systems (class I/class B) - a FAD-containing flavoprotein (NAD(P)H-dependent reductase), an iron-sulphur protein and P450. Most eukaryotic microsomes have 2-component systems (class II/class E) - NAD(P)H reductase (FAD and FMN-containing flavoprotein) and P450. There are exceptions to this scheme, such as 1-component systems that resemble class E enzymes PUBMED:16042601, PUBMED:15128046, PUBMED:8637843. The class E enzymes can be further subdivided into five sequence clusters, groups I-V, each of which may contain more than one cytochrome P450 family (eg, CYP1 and CYP2 are both found in group I). The divergence of the cytochrome P450 superfamily into B- and E-classes, and further divergence into stable clusters within the E-class, appears to be very ancient, occurring before the appearance of eukaryotes.

More information about these proteins can be found at Protein of the Month: Cytochrome P450 PUBMED.

Gene Ontology

Molecular function	heme binding (GO:0020037)
Molecular function	iron ion binding (GO:0055059)
Biological process	electron transport (GO:0006119)
Molecular function	monooxygenase activity (GO:0004497)

External database links

Family: p450 (PF00067)

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Domain organisation

Below is a listing of the unique domain organisations or architectures in which this domain is found. [More...](#)

There are 7547 sequences with the following architecture: p450
 AVNA_ASPPA [aspergillus parasiticus] averantin oxidoreductase (ec 1.14.--) (cytochrome p450 60a1) (495 residues)

— p450 —

Show all sequences with this architecture.

There are 473 sequences with the following architecture: p450 x 2
 CP133_DROME [drosophila melanogaster (fruit fly)] probable cytochrome p450 313a3 (ec 1.14.--) (cypccc313a3) (492 residues)

— p450 — p450 —

Show all sequences with this architecture.

There are 43 sequences with the following architecture: p450, Flavodoxin_1, FAD_binding_1, NAD_binding_1
 CS55_FUSOX [fusarium oxysporum] bifunctional p-450:nadh-p450 reductase (fatty acid omega-hydroxylase)[p450fxy] (includes: cytochrome p450 505 (ec 1.14.14.1); nadph--cytochrome p450 reductase (ec 1.6.2.4)) (1066 residues)

— p450 — Flavodoxin_1 — FAD_binding_1 — NAD_binding_1 —

Show all sequences with this architecture.

There are 16 sequences with the following architecture: p450, FAD_binding_6, NAD_binding_1, Fer2
 QBKU27_NNOCA [rhodococcus sp. ncimb 9784] cytochrome p450 rh (273 residues)

— p450 — FAD_binding_6 — NAD_binding_1 — Fer2 —

Show all sequences with this architecture.

There are 13 sequences with the following architecture: p450 x 3
 Y31B_BACSU [bacillus subtilis] putative cytochrome p450 y31b (ec 1.14.--) (396 residues)

— p450 — p450 — p450 —

Show all sequences with this architecture.

There are 9 sequences with the following architecture: An_peroxidase, p450
 Q6RE1_EMENI [emericella nidulans (aspergillus nidulans)] fatty acid oxygenase (hypothetical protein) (1081 residues)

— An_peroxidase — p450 —

Show all sequences with this architecture.

There are 7 sequences with the following architecture: p450, adh_short
 Q6C9K7_SURMA [Burkholderia mallei (pseudomonas mallei)] cytochrome p450-related protein (1373 residues)

— p450 — adh_short —

Show all sequences with this architecture.

There are 3 sequences with the following architecture: p450, Transposase_21
 Q5WMQ7_ORISA [oryza sativa (japonica cultivar-group)] putative polyprotein (1678 residues)

— p450 — Transposase_21 —

Show all sequences with this architecture.

There are 2 sequences with the following architecture: F-box, FTH, p450

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Alignments

There are various ways to view or download the sequence alignments that we store. You can use a sequence viewer to look at either the seed or full alignment for the family, or you can look at a plain text version of the sequence in a variety of different formats. [More...](#)

View options

Alignment: Seed (50) Full (8703)

Viewer: |jalview

View

<http://pfam.sanger.ac.uk/family/alignment/download/format=stockholm&alnType=seed&acc=PF00067>

Sequence 24 ID: CPAAA RAT Residue: HIS (57)

Conservation plot showing conservation scores across the alignment.

Quality plot showing alignment quality scores across the alignment.

Consensus sequence: PPGPTAPLPL+GNLQLGQR+KDLILHSVFLKLRKT--GPTFLYLPQ-KP+VVL+QPEAVKVL++KGEETSQR+DEP+FTLIL+PFGKGVIVFANG+QEWKQLKRLTF

InterPro: IPR001128 Cytochrome P450

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Search InterPro:

InterPro: IPR001128 Cytochrome P450

Protein matches

Overview: [sorted by AC](#), [sorted by name](#), [of known structure](#), [proteins with splice variants](#)
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 Table: [For all matching proteins](#), [of known structure](#)

UniProtKB Matches: 10695 proteins

Accession: IPR001128 Cyt_P450

Type: Family

Signatures:

Database	ID	Name	Count
Gene3D	G3DSA:1.10.630.10	Cyt_P450	7405
Protein	PF00087	p450	7405
PRINTS	PR00385	P450	7405
PROSITE pattern	PS00086	CYTOCHROME_P450	7851
PANTHER	PTHR19383	Cyt_P450	10317
SuperFamily	SSF48264	Cytochrome_P450	10420

InterPro Relationships

Children:

- IPR02397 Cytochrome P450, B-class
- IPR02398 Cytochrome P450, mitochondrial
- IPR02401 Cytochrome P450, E-class, group I
- IPR02402 Cytochrome P450, E-class, group II
- IPR02403 Cytochrome P450, E-class, group IV

GO Term annotation:

Process: GO:0006118 electron transport

Function: GO:0004497 monoxygenase activity, GO:0005506 iron ion binding, GO:0030337 heme binding

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[FW]-[SGNH]-x-[GD]-{F}-[RKHPT]-{P}-C-[LIVMFAP]-[GAD]

Parent-Child Relationships (Subfamilies)

Child entries are more specific than the parent
 A match to the child entry implies a match to the parent
 Signatures for the parent and child entries must overlap

InterPro: IPR001128 Cytochrome P450

Structural links: CATH: 1.10.630.10, SCOP: a104.1.11, PDB: click here

Database links: COME: PR000236, PANDIT: PF00087, PROSITE doc: PDOC00081, Enzyme: EC: 1.14, MSDsite: PS00086

Taxonomic coverage:

Organism	Count
Unclassified	2
Virus	14
Archaea	14
Bacteria	2156
Cyanobacteria	66
Synechocystis PCC 6803	1
Oryza sativa (Rice)	1252
Arabidopsis thaliana	422
Green Plants	1132
Plastid Group	3214
Human	282
Other Eukaryotes	54
Eukaryota	8542
Fungi	2113
Saccharomyces cerevisiae	7
Nematoda	133
Metazoa	2124
Fruit Fly	122
Arthropoda	1128
Chordata	1800
Mouse	207

Overlapping InterPro entries:

IPR001128	Numbers of overlapping proteins	Average numbers of overlapping amino acids
IPR002397	9130 1566 0	N/A
IPR002398	10664 32 0	N/A
IPR02401	4250 6446 0	N/A
IPR02402	10596 100 0	N/A
IPR02403	9405 1291 0	N/A
IPR02405	10681 15 0	N/A
IPR02474	10483 213 0	N/A
IPR008966	10472 224 0	N/A
IPR019102	10619 77 0	N/A
IPR008968	10643 53 0	N/A
IPR008969	10553 143 0	N/A
IPR008970	10657 39 0	N/A
IPR008971	10658 38 0	N/A
IPR008972	10555 141 0	N/A

Example proteins:

Q08158 Cytochrome P450 3A25 (EC 1.14.14.1) (CYP3A25)

Q17824 Putative cytochrome P450 cyp-13B1 (EC 1.14.-.-)

O46051 Probable cytochrome P450 4d14 (EC 1.14.-.-) (CYP14D14)

Center
 Inner circles
 Outer circles

Tree root
 Tree nodes
 Representative model organisms

There is no significance to the placement of individual nodes on the circles

Conserved Domain Database (CDD)

- Identify conserved domains in a protein sequence
- “Secondary database”
 - Pfam A and B
 - Simple Modular Architecture Research Tool (SMART)
 - Clusters of Orthologous Groups
- Search performed using RPS-BLAST
 - Query sequence is used to search a database of precalculated position-specific scoring tables
 - *Not* the same method used by Pfam or InterPro



NCBI Conserved Domain Database (CDD)

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Structure/cdd/cdd.shtml>

Domains

Search across Entrez databases

CDTree **NEW** [A Conserved Domain Database and Search Service, v2.13](#)

CDD help

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Submit Query

Search Database CDD v2.13 - 24083 PSSMs

Enter a Protein query as Accession, GI, or Sequence in FASTA format:

>NP_005206.1 deleted in colorectal carcinoma [Homo sapiens]
MENSLRQVWPKLAFVLFQASLLSAHLQVTFQIKAPFALRFLSEPSDAVTMRGQVLLDCSABSDRGVPLVIRKRDGIIHALGMDERKQQLSNGSLLIQNLHLSRHHKPDDEGLYCEASLDGSGSIIISRTAKVAVAGPLRFLSQVESVIAFMQDITVLLKCEVIGEPMPFTHWKNQODLTFPGDSRVVLFPSGALQISRLQFGDIGIY

Read about the FASTA format description. Click [here](#) for advanced options.

Computational biologists define conserved domains based on recurring sequence patterns or motifs. The un-curated section of CDD contains domains imported from SMART, Pfam and COGs. The source databases also provide descriptions and links to citations. Because conserved domains correspond to compact structural units, CDs are linked to 3D structure when possible. The NCBI-curated section of CDD attempts to group ancient domains related by common descent into family hierarchies.

To identify conserved domains in a protein sequence, the CD-Search service uses the reverse position-specific BLAST algorithm. The query sequence is compared to a position-specific score matrix prepared from the underlying conserved domain alignment. Hits may be displayed as a pairwise alignments of the query sequence with representative domain sequences, or as multiple alignments. CD-Search now is run by default in parallel with protein BLAST searches. Although the user waits for the BLAST queue to further process the request, the domain architecture of the query may already be studied.

Run CDART, the Conserved Domain Architecture Retrieval Tool, to search for proteins with similar domain architectures. CDART uses pre-computed CD-Search results to quickly identify proteins with a set of domains similar to that of the query.

Read more about CDD:

Marchler-Bauer A, Anderson JB, Cherukuri PF, DeWeese-Scott C, Geer LY, Gwatz M, He S, Hurwitz DI, Jackson JD, Ke Z, Lanczycki C, Liebert CA, Liu C, Lu F, Marchler GH, Mullokandov M, Shoemaker BA, Simonyan V, Song JS, Thissen PA, Yamashita RA, Yin JJ, Zhang D, Bryant SH. CDD: a Conserved Domain Database for protein classification. *Nucleic Acids Res.* 2005;33 Database Issue:D192-6. [Abstract] [Full Text]

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NCBI Conserved Domain Search

Query sequence: [(local sequence)ld[1]

Concise Result Full Result Show Search Information

Click on the colored bar for a conserved domain to view your query sequence within the multiple sequence alignment for that domain. To see only the sequences used to generate the domain, click on its PSSMID in the tabular summary.

Descriptions

Title	Pssmid	Multi-Dom	E-value
hcd00931, IGcam, Immunoglobulin domain cell adhesion molecule (cam) subfamily; members ...	28983	No	3e-15
hcd00063, FN3, Fibronectin type 3 domain; One of three types of internal repeats found ...	28945	No	8e-13
hcd00063, FN3, Fibronectin type 3 domain; One of three types of internal repeats found ...	28945	No	1e-12
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hcd00063, FN3, Fibronectin type 3 domain; One of three types of internal repeats found ...	28945	No	3e-11
hcd00931, IGcam, Immunoglobulin domain cell adhesion molecule (cam) subfamily; members ...	28983	No	3e-10
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hcd00063, FN3, Fibronectin type 3 domain; One of three types of internal repeats found ...	28945	No	8e-07
hcd00931, IGcam, Immunoglobulin domain cell adhesion molecule (cam) subfamily; members ...	28983	No	1e-06
hpfam06583, Neogenin_C, Neogenin C-terminus. This family represents the C-terminus of e...	87114	No	3e-96
hpfam07686, V-set, Immunoglobulin V-set domain. This domain is found in antibodies as w...	87333	Yes	2e-04

Search for similar domain architectures

CD Search Reference:
 Marchler-Bauer A, Bryant SH (2004), "CD-Search: protein domain annotations on the fly.", *Nucleic Acids Res.*32(W)327-331.

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NCBI Conserved Domain Search

Query sequence: [(local sequence)ld[1]

Concise Result Full Result Show Search Information

Click on the colored bar for a conserved domain to view your query sequence within the multiple sequence alignment for that domain. To see only the sequences used to generate the domain, click on its PSSMID in the tabular summary.

Descriptions

Title	Pssmid	Multi-Dom	E-value
hcd00931, IGcam, Immunoglobulin domain cell adhesion molecule (cam) subfamily; members ...	28983	No	3e-15

CD Length: 89, Pct. Aligned: 100, Bit Score: 79.775909, E-value: 3e-15

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1 330  *PFWLNEP*SNLYAYESMD*EEFCTVSGK*V*V*W*MKNGD*V*V*P*SD--Y*Q*V*GG*SNL*R*LL*V*V*SD*E*F*Y*Q*CV*AE*E*G 407
cd00931 1 P*P*F*Q*K*P*P*D*V*V*G*G*E*D*V*L*E*C*R*A*S*G*N*P*P*T*I*T*W*L*K*N*G*K*P*L*S*L*L*D*G*Y*V*L*I*D*N*G*G*T*L*I*S*N*V*R*E*D*A*G*Y*T*C*V*V*A*T*S*A*G 80

1 408  *N*A*Q*T*S*A*Q*L*I 416
cd00931 81 G*A*S*A*S*A*R*L*I 89
    
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Search for similar domain architectures

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Descriptions

Title	Pssmid	Multi-Dom	E-value
hcd00931, IGcam, Immunoglobulin domain cell adhesion molecule (cam) subfamily; members ...	28983	No	3e-15
cd00931, IGcam, Immunoglobulin domain cell adhesion molecule (cam) subfamily; members are components of neural cell adhesion molecules (N-CAM L1), Fasciclin II and the insect immune protein Hemolin. The subfamily also includes receptor domains such as the extracellular ligand binding domain of Fibroblast Growth Factor Receptor 2. Members are phylogenetically diverse, occurring throughout metazoa, and are not components of the adaptive immune system molecules found in jawed vertebrates. A predominant feature of most Ig domains is a disulfide bridge connecting 2 beta-sheets with a Trp packing against the disulfide bond..			
CD Length: 89, Pct. Aligned: 100, Bit Score: 79.775909, E-value: 3e-15			
1	330	PPNPLNHPNSLYAYESMDIEPECTVSGKVPVTVNMMKNGDVPVPSD--YFQIVGGSNLRILGVVRSDEGFYQVVAENAG	407
cd00931	1	PTFTQKPPDPTVVAGGEDVTECRASGNPPPTITWLKNGKPLSLDgrYTVLDDNGTLTISNVTKEGAGTYTCVATNSAG	80
1	408	NAQTSAGLI	416
cd00931	81	GASASARLT	89
hcd00063, FN3, Fibronectin type 3 domain; One of three types of internal repeats found ...	28945	No	8e-13
hcd00063, FN3, Fibronectin type 3 domain; One of three types of internal repeats found ...	28945	No	1e-12
hcd00931, IGcam, Immunoglobulin domain cell adhesion molecule (cam) subfamily; members ...	28983	No	9e-12
hcd00063, FN3, Fibronectin type 3 domain; One of three types of internal repeats found ...	28945	No	3e-11
hcd00931, IGcam, Immunoglobulin domain cell adhesion molecule (cam) subfamily; members ...	28983	No	3e-10
hcd00063, FN3, Fibronectin type 3 domain; One of three types of internal repeats found ...	28945	No	6e-09
hcd00063, FN3, Fibronectin type 3 domain; One of three types of internal repeats found ...	28945	No	8e-07
hcd00931, IGcam, Immunoglobulin domain cell adhesion molecule (cam) subfamily; members ...	28983	No	1e-06
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[Search for similar domain architectures](#)

NCBI DART

CDART: Conserved Domain Architecture Retrieval Tool

About CDART

Query: I-set, Neogenin_C, FN3

Similar domain architectures:

- 99 Sequences: Coelenterate neogenin-like 1
- 6 Sequences: neural cell adhesion
- 2 Sequences: S_TKc
- 30 Sequences: GALT
- 2 Sequences: Eukaryotic
- 2 Sequences: LRRCT
- 3 Sequences: LRRCT
- 2 Sequences: LRRCT

Result page: Previous 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 Next

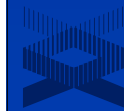
Subset by Taxonomy

Subset by selected domains:

- cd00063 Fibronectin type 3 domain; One of three types of ... includes: smart00060 pfam00041
- cd00160 Guanine nucleotide exchange factor for Rho/Rac/Cd... includes: smart00325 pfam00621
- cd00180 Serine/Threonine protein kinases, catalytic domai... includes: cd00174 COG0510 COG2187 COG2334 COG3001 COG3173 COG3178 COG3231 COG3570 COG3642 COG4857 smart00090 smart00219 smart00326 smart00587 smart00750 pfam03109 pfam03881 pfam04655 pfam07914 PRK09902 PRK10271 PRK12396 pfam06293 PRK01723 PRK04750 PRK09550 PRK11768 pfam00018 pfam00069 pfam01163 pfam01633 pfam01636 pfam02958 pfam07653 pfam07714 cd05119 cd05144 cd05145 cd05146 cd05147 cd00192 cd05032 cd05033 cd05034 cd05035 cd05036 cd05037 cd05038 cd05039 cd05040 cd05041 cd05042

PSI-BLAST

- Position-Specific Iterated BLAST search
- Easy-to-use version of a profile-based search
 - Perform BLAST search against protein database
 - Use results to calculate a position-specific scoring matrix
 - PSSM replaces query for next round of searches
 - May be iterated until no new significant alignments are found
 - Convergence – all related sequences deemed found
 - Divergence – query is too broad, make cutoffs more stringent



BLAST: Basic Local Alignment and Search Tool

http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/BLAST

BLAST finds regions of similarity between biological sequences. [more...](#)

[Learn more](#) about how to use the new BLAST design.

BLAST Assembled Genomes

Choose a species genome to search, or [list all genomic BLAST databases](#).

<input type="checkbox"/> Human	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Oryza sativa</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Gallus gallus</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Mouse	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Bos taurus</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Fax troglodytes</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Rat	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Danio rerio</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Microbes</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Drosophila melanogaster</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Apis mellifera</i>

Basic BLAST

Choose a BLAST program to run.

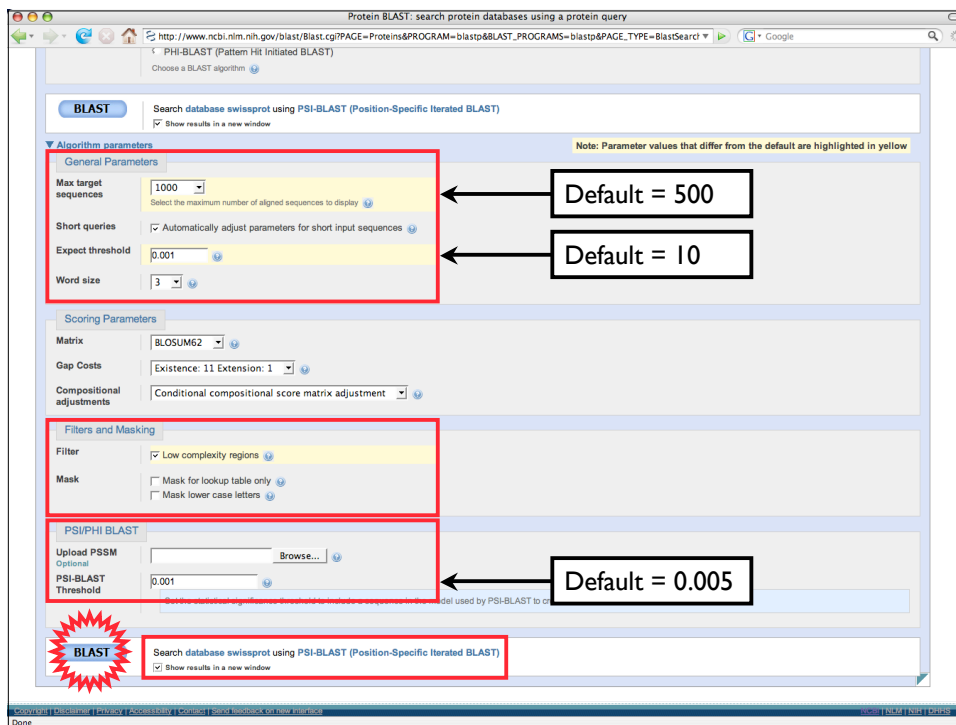
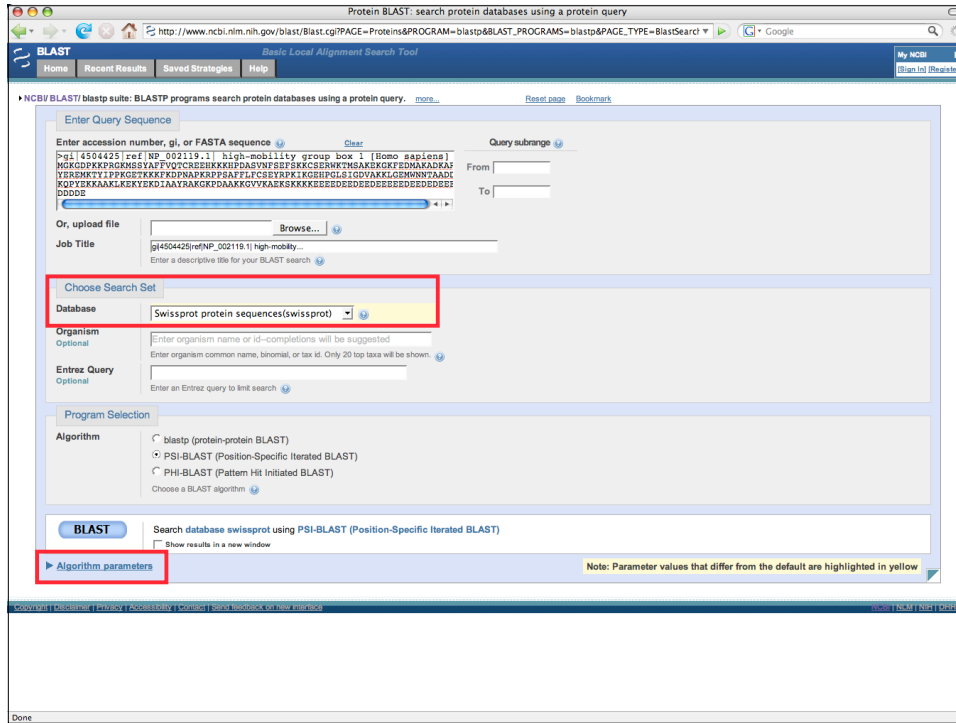
nucleotide blast	Search a nucleotide database using a nucleotide query Algorithms: blastn, megablast, discontinuous megablast
protein blast	Search protein database using a protein query Algorithms: blastp, psi-blast, phi-blast
blastx	Search protein database using a translated nucleotide query
tblastn	Search translated nucleotide database using a protein query
tblastx	Search translated nucleotide database using a translated nucleotide query

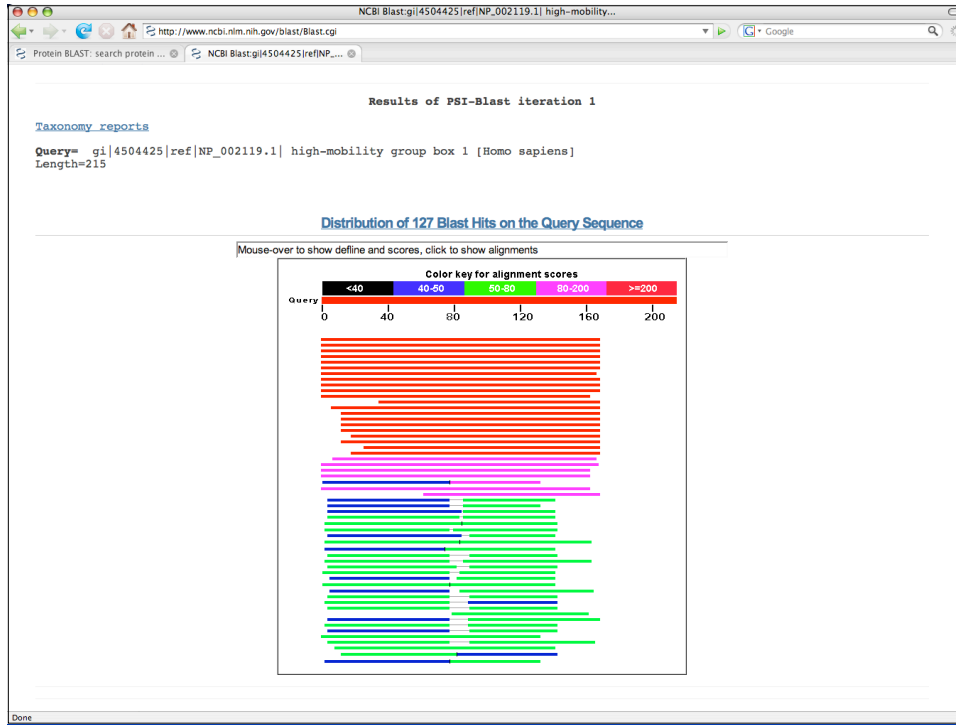
Specialized BLAST

Choose a type of specialized search (or database name in parentheses.)

- Search [trace archives](#)
- Find [conserved domains](#) in your sequence (cdt)
- Find sequences with [similar conserved domain architecture](#) (cdart)
- Search sequences that have [gene expression profiles](#) (GEO)
- Search for [immunoglobulins](#) (igBLAST)
- Search for [SNPs](#) (snp)
- Screen sequence for [vector contamination](#) (vecscreen)
- [Align](#) two sequences using BLAST (bl2seq)

Done





Legend:

- ✖ - means that the alignment score was below the threshold on the previous iteration
- ✔ - means that the alignment was checked on the previous iteration

Run PSI-Blast iteration 2

Hit list size 1000

Distance tree of results ✖

Sequences with E-value BETTER than threshold

Sequences producing significant alignments:

	Score (Bits)	E Value
✔ sp P09429 HMGB1_HUMAN High mobility group protein B1 (High mo... .310 2e-84 G		
✔ sp P10103 HMGB1_BOVIN High mobility group protein B1 (High mo... .310 2e-84 G		
✔ sp P63159 HMGB1_RAT High mobility group protein B1 (High mobi... .310 2e-84 G		
✔ sp P12682 HMGB1_PIG High mobility group protein B1 (High mobi... .308 9e-84 G		
✔ sp O9DGV6 HMGB1X_HUMAN High mobility group protein 1-like 10 (HMG .290 2e-78 G		
✔ sp P26584 HMGB2_CHICK High mobility group protein B2 (High mo... .257 2e-68 G		
✔ sp P07746 HMGT_ONCMY High mobility group-T protein (HMG-T) (HMG- .257 3e-68 G		
✔ sp P26583 HMGB2_HUMAN High mobility group protein B2 (High mo... .252 6e-67 G		
✔ sp P52925 HMGB2_RAT High mobility group protein B2 (High mobi... .251 1e-66 G		
✔ sp P30681 HMGB2_MOUSE High mobility group protein B2 (High mo... .249 8e-66 G		
✔ sp P17741 HMGB2_PIG High mobility group protein B2 (High mobi... .245 8e-65 G		
✔ sp P07156 HMGB1_CRIGR High mobility group protein B1 (High mo... .239 4e-63 G		
✔ sp P23497 SP100_HUMAN Nuclear autoantigen Sp-100 (Speckled 10... .211 1e-54 G		
✔ sp P40618 HMGB3_CHICK High mobility group protein B3 (High mo... .211 2e-54 G		
✔ sp O54879 HMGB3_MOUSE High mobility group protein B3 (High mo... .210 3e-54 G		
✔ sp O32L31 HMGB1_BOVIN High mobility group protein B3 .209 7e-54 G		
✔ sp O15347 HMGB3_HUMAN High mobility group protein B3 (High mo... .208 1e-53 G		
✔ sp O9N1Q6 SP100_GORGO Nuclear autoantigen Sp-100 (Speckled 10... .207 2e-53 G		
✔ sp P36194 HMGB1_CHICK High mobility group protein B1 (High mo... .203 5e-52 G		
✔ sp O9N1Q5 SP100_HYLLA Nuclear autoantigen Sp-100 (Speckled 10... .201 2e-51 G		
✔ sp O9N1Q7 SP100_PANTR Nuclear autoantigen Sp-100 (Speckled 10... .201 2e-51 G		
✔ sp O24537 HMGB2_DROME High mobility group protein DSP1 (Protein d .176 6e-44 G		
✔ sp P40644 HMGB_STRPU High mobility group protein 1 homolog .152 1e-36 G		
✔ sp O32L34 HMGB4_BOVIN High mobility group protein B4 .134 3e-31 G		
✔ sp O8W32 HMGB4_HUMAN High mobility group protein B4 .129 9e-30 G		

Done

NCBI Blast:gi|4504425|ref|NP_002119.1| high-mobility...

Protein BLAST: search protein ... NCBI Blast:gi|4504425|ref|NP_002119.1| high-mobility...

Accession	Species	Protein Name	Score	E-value
sp V22229 SSRP1_MOUSE	Mouse	FACT complex subunit SSRP1 (regulates...	42.1	2e-04
sp Q32169.1 HM20B_BOVIN	Bovine	SWI/SNF-related matrix-associated act...	45.1	2e-04
sp O92104.1 HM20B_MOUSE	Mouse	SWI/SNF-related matrix-associated act...	45.1	2e-04
sp O6DLJ5 HM20A_XENTR	Xenopus	High mobility group protein 20A (HMG bo...	45.1	2e-04
sp O90941 PBL_CHICK	Chicken	Protein polybromo-1	45.1	2e-04
sp O6AZF8 HM20A_XENLA	Xenopus	High mobility group protein 20A (HMG bo...	44.3	4e-04
sp P40623 HMG1B_CHITE	Chickadee	Mobility group protein 1B	43.9	4e-04
sp P40622 HMG1A_CHITE	Chickadee	Mobility group protein 1A	43.5	6e-04
sp O91EFS SSRP1_MAIZE	Maize	FACT complex subunit SSRP1 (Facilitates...	43.5	6e-04
sp O91ZWI TFAM_RAT	Rat	Transcription factor A, mitochondrial precurs...	43.5	7e-04
sp O32KFA HM20A_CHICK	Chicken	High mobility group protein 20A (HMG bo...	43.5	7e-04
sp O9D144 TFAM_PIG	Pig	Transcription factor A, mitochondrial precurs...	43.1	7e-04
sp O9USU7.1 YHBB_SCHPO	Schistosoma	HMG box-containing protein C28F2.11	42.1	8e-04

Run PSI-Blast iteration 2

Alignments

Get selected sequences | Select all | Deselect all | Distance tree of results

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>|_sp|P09429|HMG1_HUMAN High mobility group protein B1 (High mobility group protein 1)
(HMG-1)
sp|O6YKA4|HMG1_CANFA High mobility group protein B1 (High mobility group protein 1)
(HMG-1)
sp|O48B44|HMG1_MACFA High mobility group protein B1 (High mobility group protein 1)
(HMG-1)
sp|O08TE6|HMG1_HORSE High mobility group protein B1 (High mobility group protein 1)
(HMG-1)
Length=215
GENE ID: 3146 HMG1 | high-mobility group box 1 [Homo sapiens]
(Over 100 PubMed links)
Score = 310 bits (795), Expect = 2e-84, Method: Compositional matrix adjust.
Identities = 169/169 (100%), Positives = 169/169 (100%), Gaps = 0/169 (0%)
Query 1  MGKGDPKKPRGRKMSYAFFVQTCREEHKKHPDASVNFSEFSKCKSERWKTMSAKEKGF 60
          MGKGDPKKPRGRKMSYAFFVQTCREEHKKHPDASVNFSEFSKCKSERWKTMSAKEKGF
Sbjct 1  MGKGDPKKPRGRKMSYAFFVQTCREEHKKHPDASVNFSEFSKCKSERWKTMSAKEKGF 60
    
```

NCBI Blast:gi|4504425|ref|NP_002119.1| high-mobility...

Protein BLAST: search protein ... NCBI Blast:gi|4504425|ref|NP_002119.1| high-mobility...

Results of PSI-Blast iteration 5

No new sequences were found above the 0.001 threshold!

Taxonomy reports

Query= gi|4504425|ref|NP_002119.1| high-mobility group box 1 [Homo sapiens]
 Length=215

Distribution of 183 Blast Hits on the Query Sequence

Mouse-over to show define and scores, click to show alignments

Color key for alignment scores

Score Range	Color
<40	Black
40-60	Blue
60-80	Green
80-200	Magenta
>=200	Red

Query 0 40 80 120 160 200

127
↓
183

Overview

- Week 2
 - Similarity vs. Homology
 - Global vs. Local Alignments
 - Scoring Matrices
 - BLAST
 - BLAT
- Week 3
 - Profiles, Patterns, Motifs, and Domains
 - Structures: VAST, Cn3D, and *de novo* Prediction
 - Multiple Sequence Alignment



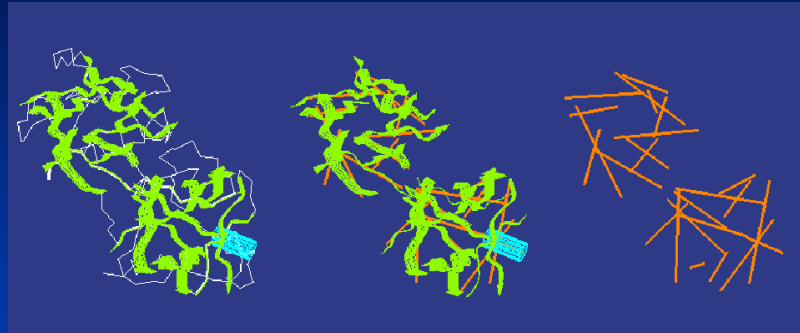
Predicting Tertiary Structure

- Sequence specifies conformation, *but* conformation does *not* specify sequence
- Structure is conserved to a much greater extent than sequence
- Similarities between proteins may not necessarily be detected through “traditional” methods



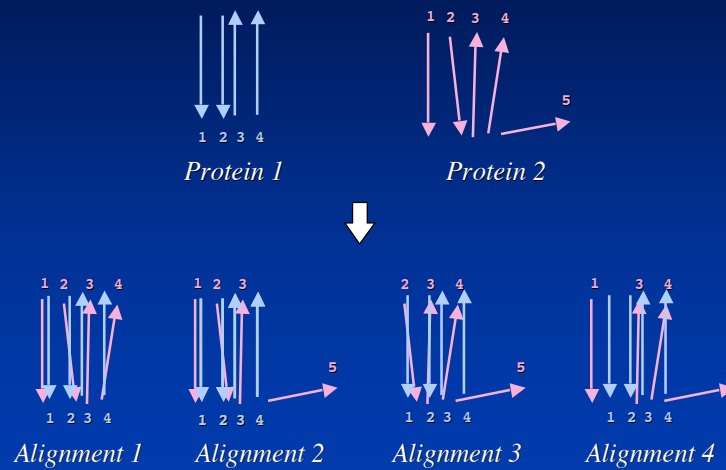
VAST Structure Comparison

Step 1: Construct vectors for secondary structure elements



VAST Structure Comparison

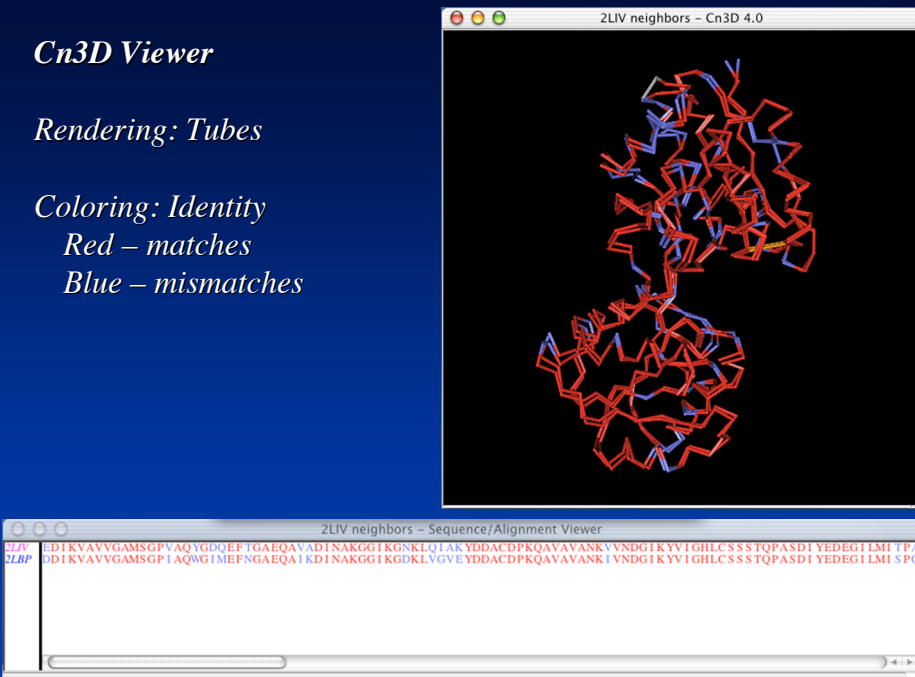
Step 2: Optimally align structure element vectors



Cn3D Viewer

Rendering: Tubes

Coloring: Identity
Red – matches
Blue – mismatches



The image shows a screenshot of the Cn3D Viewer software. The main window displays a 3D protein structure rendered as tubes, with red segments indicating matches and blue segments indicating mismatches. Below the 3D view is a sequence alignment viewer window titled "2LIV neighbors - Sequence/Alignment Viewer". It shows two sequences: "2LIV" and "2LBP". The sequences are aligned, with red highlighting under the matching amino acids and blue highlighting under the mismatching ones. The sequences are: 2LIV: EDIKVAVVGMSPVAQYGDQEFVGAEQAVADINAKGGTRGNKLOIAKYDDACDPKQAVAVANKVNDGTRVYVIGHLCSSSTQPASDIYEDEGLMIIPAA and 2LBP: DDIKVAVVGMSPVAQWGIEMFNGAEQAIRKIDINAKGGTRGDKLVGVYDDACDPKQAVAVANKVNDGTRVYVIGHLCSSSTQPASDIYEDEGLMISPG.

VAST Shortcomings


- Not the best method for determining structural similarities
- Reducing a structure to a series of vectors necessarily results in a loss of information (less confidence in prediction)
- Regardless of the “simplicity” of the method, provides a simple and fast first answer to the question of structural similarity



The screenshot shows the NCBI Home Page with the following elements:


- Navigation Bar:** PubMed, All Databases, BLAST, OMIM, Books, TaxBrowser, Structure. A search bar contains '2LIV' and a 'Go' button.
- Left Sidebar:**
 - SITE MAP:** Alphabetical List, Resource Guide.
 - About NCBI:** An introduction to NCBI.
 - GenBank:** Sequence submission support and software.
 - Literature databases:** PubMed, OMIM, Books, and PubMed Central.
 - Molecular databases:** Sequences, structures, and taxonomy.
 - Genomic biology:** The human genome, whole genomes, and related resources.
 - Tools:** Data mining.
 - Research at NCBI:** People, projects, and seminars.
 - Software:** Done.
- Main Content:**
 - What does NCBI do?** Established in 1988 as a national resource for molecular biology information. NCBI creates public databases, conducts research in computational biology, develops software tools for analyzing genome data, and disseminates biomedical information - all for the better understanding of molecular processes affecting human health and disease. More...
 - Hot Spots:**
 - Assembly Archive
 - Clusters of orthologous groups
 - Coffee Break, Genes & Disease, NCBI Handbook
 - Electronic PCR
 - Entrez Home
 - Entrez Tools
 - Gene expression omnibus (GEO)
 - Human genome resources
 - Influenza Virus Resource
 - Map Viewer
 - dbMHC
 - Mouse genome resources
 - My NCBI
 - ORF finder

The screenshot shows the NCBI Structure database search results for '2LIV':

- Search Bar:** Search Structure for 2LIV. Buttons for Limits, Preview/Index, History, Clipboard, Details, Go, Clear, Save Search.
- Display Summary:**
 - Display: Summary, Show: 20, Sort by: [dropdown], Send to: [dropdown], Download Cn3D.
 - Filters: All: 1, Bacterial: 1, Eukaryotic: 0, Ligand: 0, NMR: 0, X-ray: 1.
- Search Results:**
 - 1: 2LIV** (highlighted with a red arrow)
 - Periplasmic Binding Protein Structure And Function. Refined X-Ray Structures Of The LeucineISOLEUCINEVALINE-Binding Protein And Its Complex With Leucine [mmdbid:58084]**
 - 
- Left Sidebar:**
 - About Entrez:** The NCBI Structure group.
 - Entrez Structure:** Help | FAQ.
 - Structure Research:** The NCBI Structure group.
 - MMDB:** About Entrez's structure database.
 - CDD:** Conserved Domain Database.
 - PDBaast:** Taxonomy in MMDB.
 - Cs3D:** 3D-structure viewer.
 - VAST:** Structure comparisons.
 - VAST Search:** Search structure database searches.
 - Research:** Structure Group research projects.
- Footer:** Write to the Help Desk, NCBI | NLM | NIH, Department of Health & Human Services, Privacy Statement | Freedom of Information Act | Disclaimer.

Structure Summary, 2LIV, 58084
 http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Structure/mmdb/mmdbsrv.cgi?Dopt=s&uid=58084

NCBI
 PubMed BLAST Structure Taxonomy OMIM Help? Cn3d



Reference: Sack JS, Saper MA, Quijoch FA Periplasmic binding protein structure and function. Refined X-ray structures of the leucine/isoleucine/valine-binding protein and its complex with leucine *J. Mol. Biol.* v206, p.171-191
All References

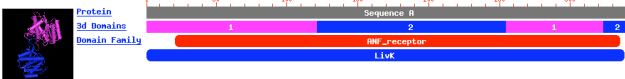
Description: Periplasmic Binding Protein Structure And Function. Refined X-Ray Structures Of The LeucineISOLEUCINEVALINE-Binding Protein And Its Complex With Leucine.

Deposition: 1989/4/10

Taxonomy: *Escherichia coli*
MMDB: 58084 **PDB:** 2LIV **Related Structures:** VAST

View options (Click image to view 3D structure)
[Download Cn3D!](#)

Molecular components in the MMDB structure are listed below. The icons indicate macromolecular chains, 3D domains, protein classifications and ligands. Please hold the mouse over each icon for more information on the component. You may also click the thumbnails below to view corresponding chains and domains in Cn3D.



Done

Vast Neighbor Summary
 http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Structure/vast/vastsrv.cgi?sdid=242528

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 PubMed BLAST Structure Taxonomy OMIM Help? Cn3D

Related Structures
VAST

VAST related structures for: MMDB 58084, 2LIV sequence A

Overview: There are two main sections to this page. The first section consists of the alignment view controls, the list controls, and the advanced related structure search controls. The second section is the VAST related structure list itself.

View 3D Alignment of All Atoms with Cn3D Display [Download Cn3D!](#)

View Sequence Alignment using Hypertext for Selected VAST related structures

List All sequences subset, sorted by Vast E-value in Table

Advanced related structure search

Move the mouse over the red alignment footprints in the graphics below and click, you will obtain a structure-based sequence alignment.

Total related structures: 6424; 1 - 60 of 1134 representatives from the Medium redundancy subset displayed. Page: 1

Click to: Check All Uncheck All

Structure ID	Chain ID	Residues
2LIV B	Chain B	1-344
3d_Dom_1	IMV_2_receptor	1-344
Protein Family	LivK	1-344
1Z15 B		344
2L8P B		344
1EHT B		322
2E4C B		317
1BP4 C		310
1J0N B		303
1Q0B B		291
2H4B B		290
1Z15 B 1		252
2L8P B 1		250
1G0D B		241
1Z0H B		241
2E4V B		239

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Click to:	Check All	Uncheck All	PDB C D	Ali	Len	Score	E_Val	Rmsd	%Id	MMDB Date	LHM	GSP	Description
<input type="checkbox"/>			1Z15	A	344	42.1	10e-48.8	1.3	99.7	10/2005	0.0	0.4	Crystal Structure Analysis Of Periplasmic LeuILEVAL-Binding Protein In Superopen Form
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			2LBP	A	344	39.8	10e-44.6	0.9	79.1	10/2007	0.2	0.3	Structure Of The L-Leucine-Binding Protein Refined At 2.4 Angstroms Resolution And Comparison With The Leu(Slash)Ile(Slash)val-Binding Protein Structure
<input type="checkbox"/>			1USG	A	343	40.1	10e-42.4	2.0	79.0	01/2004	0.2	0.6	L-Leucine-Binding Protein, Apo Form
<input type="checkbox"/>			1JDP	B	302	29.8	10e-22.5	4.3	13.6	10/2001	6.2	1.5	Crystal Structure Of HormoneRECEPTOR COMPLEX
<input type="checkbox"/>			1YK0	A	314	29.7	10e-22.3	4.5	15.0	05/2006	6.0	1.5	Structure Of Natriuretic Peptide Receptor-C Complexed With Atrial Natriuretic Peptide
													Structure Of Natriuretic Pentide Receptor-C

P-value \leq 0.001
 and
 % Identity > 25
 over at least 20 residues

Read the descriptions!

Cn3D Viewer

Rendering: Tubes

Coloring: Identity

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2LIV neighbors – Sequence/Alignment Viewer

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2LIV  ...DITKVAVVGMISGFPVAQYGDQEF TGAEQAVADI NAKGGI KGNKLOI AKYDDACDPKQAVAVANK I VNDG I K YV I GHLC S S S TQPASDI YEDEGI LMI I P
2LBP  ...DITKVAVVGMISGFP I AQWGI MEFNGAEQA I KDI NAKGGI KGNKLVGV EYDDACDPKQAVAVANK I VNDG I K YV I GHLC S S S TQPASDI YEDEGI LMI S P
    
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Worms **Rendering** **Spacefill**
Secondary Structure **Coloring** **Charge**

Current Protocols in Bioinformatics

CPBI Unit 1.3 Entrez and Cn3D

Searching the NCBI Databases Using Entrez UNIT 1.3

One of the most widely used interfaces for the retrieval of information from biological databases is the NCBI Entrez system. Entrez capabilities are the fact that there are no proprietary, legal relationships between the individual services listed in numerous public databases. For example, input in MEDLINE (i.e., most recently, PubMed) can describe the sequence of a gene, the sequence of a protein, the nucleotide sequence of a protein, may code for a protein product whose sequence is stored in the protein database. The three-dimensional structure of that protein may be known, and the coordinates for that structure may appear in the structure database. Finally, the gene may have been sequenced in a specific species or a given organism, with that information being stored in a mapping database. The existence of such mutual connections, usually biological in nature, assist in the development of a search through which all of the information about a particular biological entity could be found without having to sequentially visit and query separate databases.

Basic Protocols 1 and 2 describe simple, text-based searches, illustrating the types of information that can be retrieved through the Entrez system. Basic Protocol 2 also illustrates the use of Cn3D, a viewer that enables to visualize three-dimensional structures. The Advanced Protocol builds upon Basic Protocol 1, using additional tools in features of the Entrez system, as well as alternative ways of issuing the initial query. The Support Protocol describes how to save frequently used queries.

QUERYING ENTREZ
 The Entrez Web interface is located at <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Entrez>. Most of the Web pages at the NCBI Web site provide a direct link to Entrez, either as a blue bar running across the top of the page or in the left-hand column. Entrez queries can also be issued from the NCBI home page (<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov>). The best way to illustrate the capabilities of the Entrez system and to demonstrate the power of neighboring (see Comments) is by considering three biological examples, described in Basic Protocols 1 and 2 and the Advanced Protocol.

Necessary Resources
Software
 An up-to-date Web browser, such as Netscape Communicator, MS Internet Explorer, Apple Safari, or Mozilla Firefox.

Related search on Entrez database

1. Search the Entrez home page (<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Entrez>).
2. In the "Search across databases" text box, enter the following:
 DCC AND "Vigna luteola" R⁺
 Using Boolean operators and an AND, OR, and NOT in the simplest way to query the Entrez system, how do all Boolean operators need to be capitalized for the query to return the expected results?

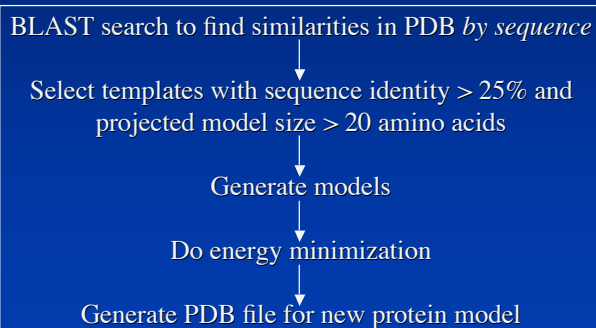
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<http://nihlibrary.nih.gov>
 Search "Online Journals" for "Current Protocols in Bioinformatics"

SWISS-MODEL

- Automated comparative protein modelling server
- Web front-end at <http://www.expasy.org/swissmod>
- Results returned by E-mail

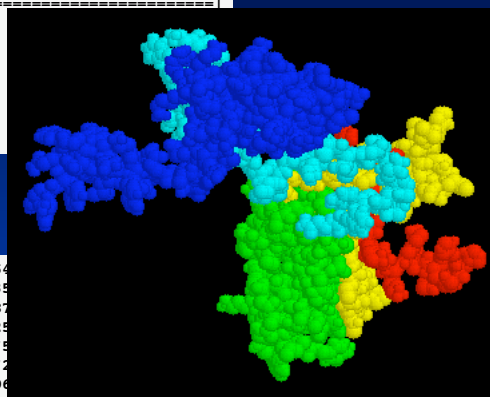


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ATOM	10	O	SER	1	25.923	22.169	-52.684	1.00	25.00
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Structural Modeling Software

- Modeller <http://www.salilab.org/modeller/>
- DeepView <http://us.expasy.org/spdbv/>
- WHAT IF <http://swift.cmbi.kun.nl>



Current Topics in Genome Analysis

Week 14
Tuesday, April 15, 2008

Protein Structure Analysis and Protein-Protein Interactions

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Overview

- Week 2
 - Similarity vs. Homology
 - Global vs. Local Alignments
 - Scoring Matrices
 - BLAST
 - BLAT
- Week 3
 - Profiles, Patterns, Motifs, and Domains
 - Structures: VAST, Cn3D, and *de novo* Prediction
 - Multiple Sequence Alignment



Why do multiple sequence alignments?

- Identify conserved regions, patterns, and domains
 - Experimental design
 - Predicting structure and function
 - Identifying new members of protein families
- Perform phylogenetic analysis
- Generate position-specific scoring matrices for subsequent searches (“many-against-one” or “one against many”)
- Bolster confidence in secondary structure predictions



Considerations

- Absolute sequence similarity
Create the alignment by lining up as many common characters as possible
- Conservation
Take into account residues that can substitute for one another and not adversely affect the function of the protein
- Structural similarity
Knowledge of the secondary or tertiary structure of the proteins being aligned can be used to fine-tune the alignment



General Guidelines

- As with most analyses, concentrate on the protein level rather than on the nucleotide level
 - More informative
 - Less prone to inaccurate alignment (“20 vs. 4”)
 - Can “translate back” to nucleotide sequences *after* doing the alignment



General Guidelines

- Use a reasonable number of sequences to avoid technical difficulties
 - *Global* alignment method: compute time increases exponentially as sequences are added to the set
 - Most alignment algorithms are ineffective on huge data sets (and may yield inaccurate alignments)
 - Phylogenetic studies resulting from inordinately large data sets are almost impossible
 - Good starting point: 10-15 sequences
 - Ballpark upper limit: 50 sequences



General Guidelines

- Selecting sequences for alignment
 - Sequences should be of about the same length
 - Use closely-related sequences to determine “required” amino acids
 - Use more divergent sequences to study evolutionary relationships
 - Good starting point: use sequences that are 30-70% similar to most of the other sequences in the data set
 - The most informative alignments result when the sequences in the data set are not “too similar”, but also not “too different”



General Guidelines

- Iterative process
 - Perform alignment on small set of sequences
 - Examine the quality of the alignment
 - If alignment good, can add new sequences to data set, then realign
 - If alignment not good, remove any sequences that result in the inclusion of long gaps, then realign



Interpretation

- Absolutely-conserved positions are *required* for proper structure and function
- Relatively well-conserved positions are able to tolerate limited amounts of change and not adversely affect the structure or function of the protein
- Non-conserved positions may “mutate freely,” and these mutations can possibly give rise to proteins with new functions



Interpretation

- Gap-free blocks probably correspond to regions of secondary structure
- Gap-rich blocks probably correspond to unstructured or loop regions



ClustalW2

- Automatic multiple alignment of nucleotide or amino acid sequences
- Implementations
 - Client versions
command-line text menu system, all platforms
 - Web-based version
<http://www.ebi.ac.uk/clustalw2>



Progressive Alignment

- Align two sequences at a time
- Gradually build up the multiple sequence alignment by merging larger and larger sub-alignments, clustering on the basis of similarity
- Uses protein scoring matrices and gap penalties to calculate alignments having the best score
- Major advantages of method
 - Very fast
 - Alignments generally of high quality



Progressive Alignment

```
>sequence A
VHLTPEEKSAVTALWGKVNVDVEVGGEALGRLLVVYPWTQRFFESFGDLST
>sequence B
VQLSGEKA AVLALWDKVN EEEVGGEALGRLLVVYPWTQRFFDSFGDSL N
>sequence C
VLSPADKTNVKA AWGKVG AHAGEYGAEALERMFLSFPTTKTYFPHFDLSH
>sequence D
VLSAADKTNVKA AWSKVGGHAGEYGAEALERMFLGFPPTTKTYFPHFDLSH
```



Progressive Alignment

1. Calculate a similarity score (percent identity) between every pair of sequences to drive the alignment

For N sequences, this requires the calculation of $[N \times (N - 1)] / 2$ pairwise alignments

Sequences	Alignments
4	6
10	45
25	300
50	1,225
100	4,950



Progressive Alignment

```
>sequence A
VHLTPEEKSAVTALWGKVNVDDEVGGEALGRLLVVYPWTQRFFESFGDLST
>sequence B
VQLSGEKA AVLALWDKVNEEEVGGEALGRLLVVYPWTQRFFDSFGDSL N
>sequence C
VLSPADKTNVKA AWGKVAHAGEYGAEALERMF LSFPTTKTYFPHFDLSH
>sequence D
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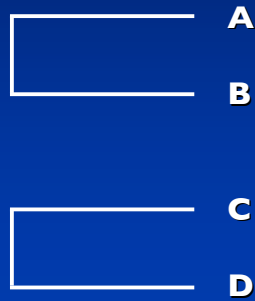
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B	80	100		
C	44	40	100	
D	40	40	92	100



Progressive Alignment

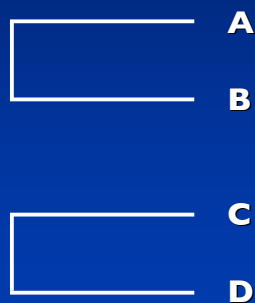
2. Derive a dendrogram (guide tree) based on the pairwise comparisons (.dnd file)

Can infer from tree that A and B share greater similarity with each other than with C or D



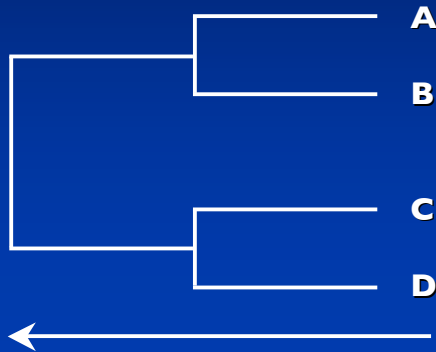
Progressive Alignment

3. Align A with B → alignment AB (fixed)
4. Align C with D → alignment CD (fixed)
5. Represent alignments AB and CD as *single sequences*



Progressive Alignment

6. Align “sequence” AB with “sequence” CD
7. Continue following the branching order of the tree, from the tips to the root, merging each new pair of “sequences”



Progressive Alignment: Advantages

- Do “easier” alignments between highly-related sequences first
- Use information regarding conservation at each position to help with more difficult alignments between more distantly-related sequences later on in process

Progressive Alignment: Disadvantages

- If initial alignments are made on distantly related sequences, there may be errors in the initial alignments
- Once an alignment is “fixed”, it is not reconsidered, so any errors in the early alignments may propagate through subsequent alignments
- New version of ClustalW2 does provide a “remove first” iteration scheme to attempt to improve alignments



ClustalW2 Output

- Pairwise scores
- Multiple sequence alignment (.aln)
 - Alternative formats available:
GCG, Phylip, PIR, GDE



ClustalW2 Output

- Cladogram
 - Tree assumed to be an estimate of a phylogeny
 - Branches are of equal length
 - Cladograms show common ancestry, but do not provide an indication of the amount of “evolutionary time” separating taxa
- Phylogram
 - Tree that is assumed to be an estimate of phylogeny
 - Branch lengths proportional to the amount of inferred evolutionary change



ClustalW2 Conservation Patterns

- Conservation patterns in multiple sequence alignments usually follow the following rules:

[WYF]	Aromatics
[KRH]	Basic side chains (+)
[DE]	Acidic side chains (-)
[GP]	Ends of helices
[HS]	Catalytic sites
[C]	Cysteine cross-bridges



ClustalW2 Conservation Patterns

- Interpretation is *empirical* — there is no parallel to the *E*-values seen in BLAST searches to assess “significance”
 - * entirely conserved column
(want in at least 10% of positions)
 - ⋮ “conserved”
(according to color table)
 - “semi-conserved”



ClustalW Colors

AVFPMILW	Red	Small
DE	Blue	Acidic
RK	Magenta	Basic
STYHCNGQ	Green	



<http://www.ebi.ac.uk/clustalw>

ClustalW2

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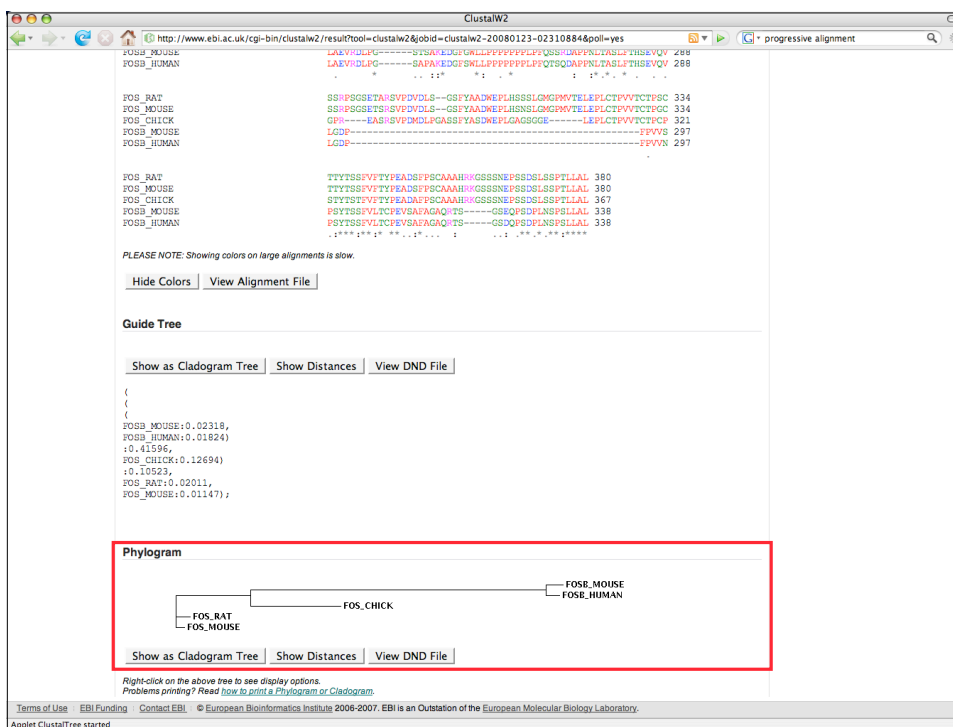
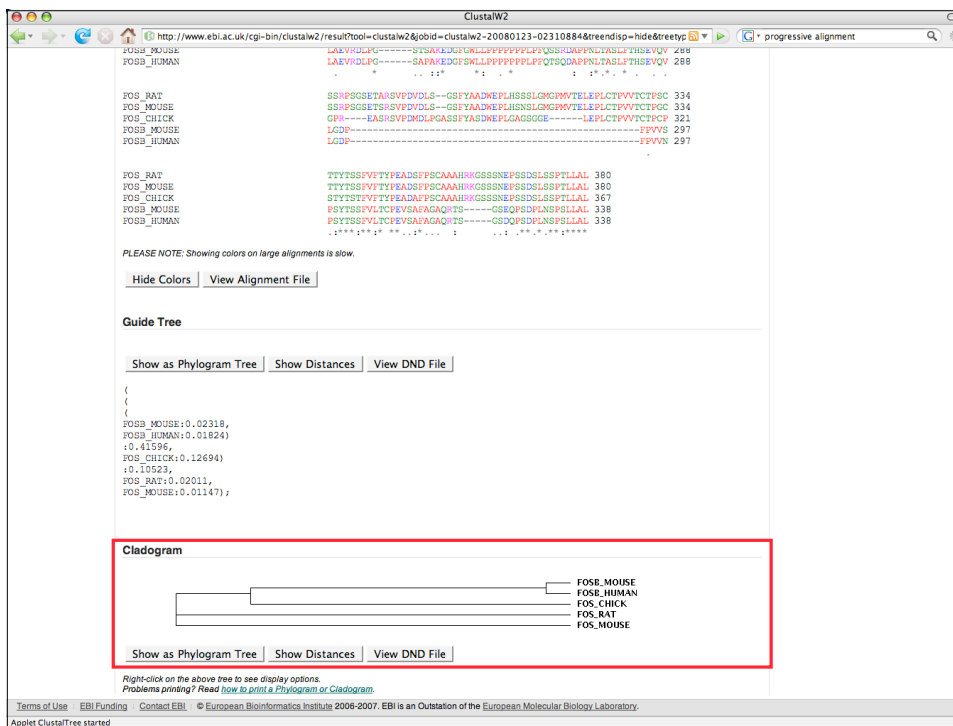
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Tree
 Alignment
 Default Iterations

Each step
 Final step
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Jalview

- Java applet available within ClustalW2 results
- Used to manually edit ClustalW2 alignments
- Color residues based on various properties
- Pairwise alignment of selected sequences
- Consensus sequence calculations
- Removal of redundant sequences
- Calculation of phylogenetic trees
- Color PostScript output



The screenshot shows the ClustalW2 web interface. The browser address bar shows the URL: <http://www.ebi.ac.uk/cgi-bin/clustalw2/result?tool=clustalw2&jobid=clustalw2-20080123-02310884&tree=hide&treepr=55>. The page title is "ClustalW2 Results".

Results of search

Number of sequences	5
Alignment score	1076
Sequence format	Pearson
Sequence type	aa
Jalview	Start Jalview
Output file	clustalw2-20080123-02310884.output
Alignment file	clustalw2-20080123-02310884.aln
Guide tree file	clustalw2-20080123-02310884.dnd
Your input file	clustalw2-20080123-02310884.inout

To save a result file right-click the file link in the above table and choose "Save Target As".
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Scores Table

Sort by: [Sequence Number](#) | [View Output File](#)

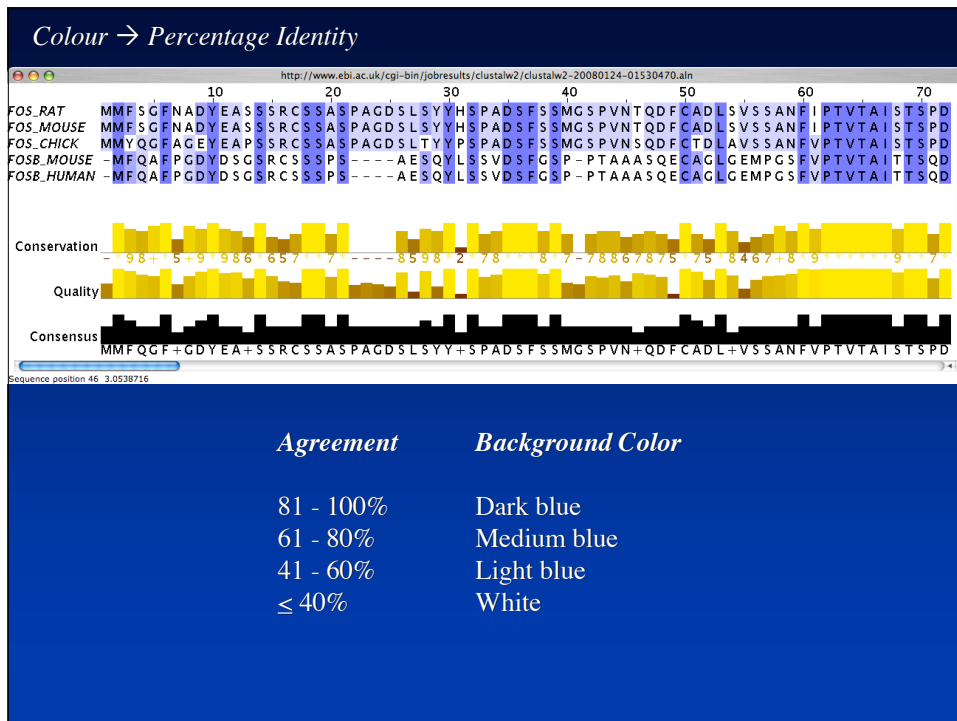
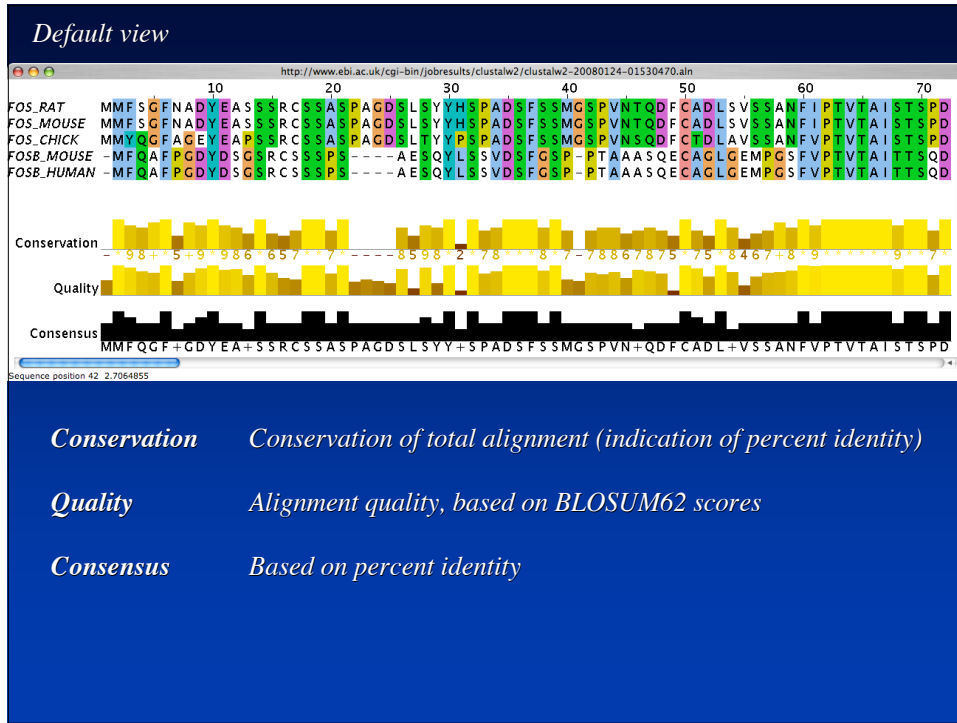
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1 POSS_MOUSE 338		4 POS_RAT 380		43
1 POSS_MOUSE 338		5 POS_MOUSE 380		44
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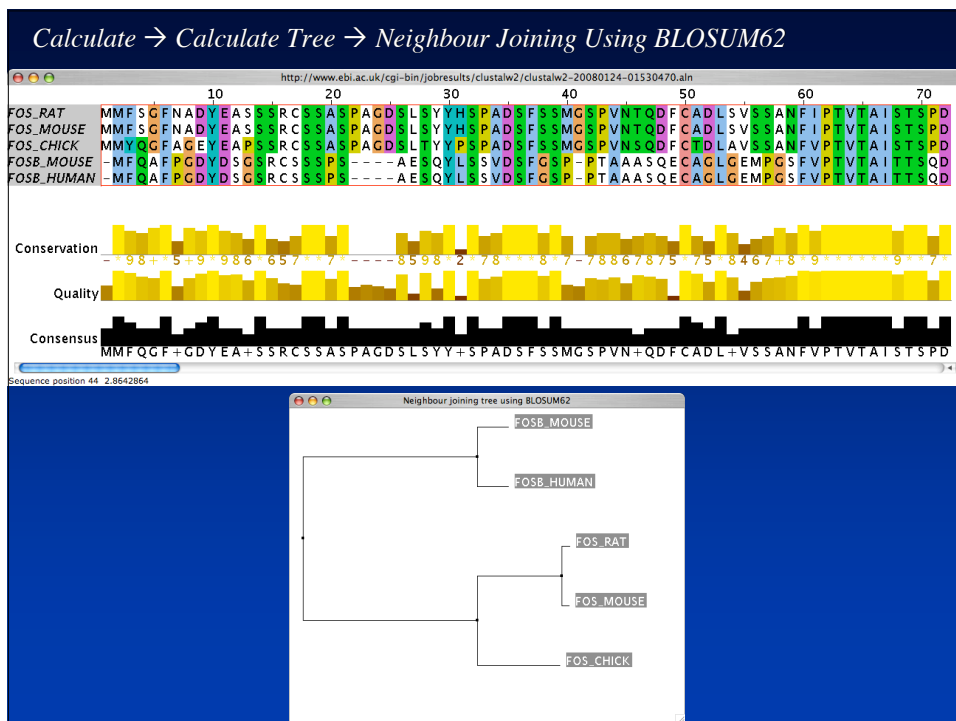
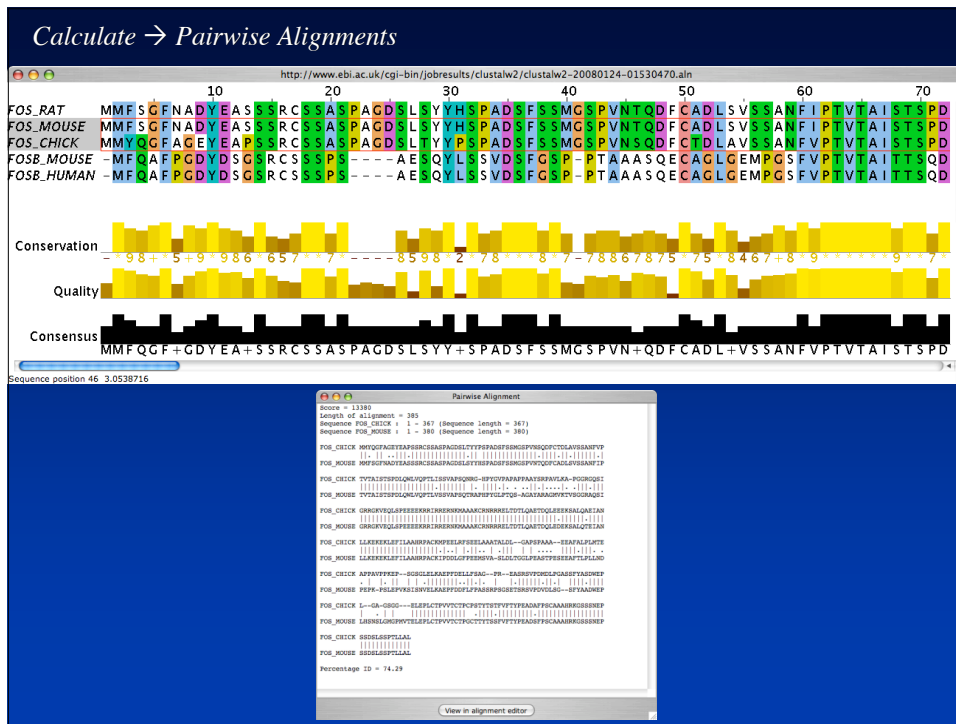
PLEASE NOTE: Some scores may be missing from the above table if the alignment was done using multiple CPU mode. Please check the output.

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Alignment

Applet ClustalTree started





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 ClustalW

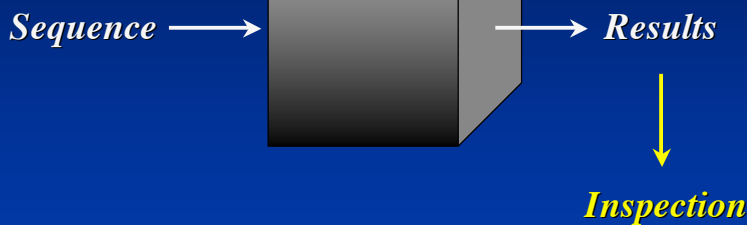
CPBI Unit 3.8
 T-Coffee

<p>Multiple Sequence Alignment Using ClustalW and ClustalX</p> <p><i>UNIT 2.3</i></p> <p>The Clustal programs are widely used for carrying out automatic, multiple alignment of sets of nucleotide or amino acid sequences. The first iterative version is ClustalW (Thompson et al., 1994), which uses a simple text menu system that is portable to most or all of computer systems. ClustalX (Thompson et al., 1997) features a graphical user interface and some powerful practical additions for editing the interpretation of alignments, used in the preferred version for macintosh usage. ClustalW and ClustalX are developed in parallel, and the same version numbering system is used to both in order to synchronize changes to both files, improvements, and additions. In January 2002, the latest version for both programs was 1.81. The programs can both be run interactively, but the protocols below give instructions on how to do this using ClustalX. Alternatively, ClustalW supports a full command-line interface which allows for the most automated, as part of larger analysis (e.g., it can be run from scripts). In the sample usage (see Basic Protocol), the programs are employed to take a set of homologous sequences (all DNAMSA or all protein) and produce a single multiple alignment. This covers the vast majority of Clustal usage and will be sufficient for most uses. Nevertheless, ClustalX has extensive facilities for adding sequences to existing alignments, merging existing alignments (see related profile alignment as described in the Advance Protocol), and refinement of existing alignments. Amongst and through alignment errors, and basic phylogenetic analysis. Users may use ClustalX remotely from several sites using the Web, or the programs may be downloaded to be run locally on PCs, Macintosh, or Unix computers. (Current Protocols)</p> <p>USING CLUSTALW AND CLUSTALX TO DO MULTIPLE ALIGNMENTS</p> <p>The programs ClustalW and ClustalX provide alternative user interfaces to the Clustal multiple alignment software. The alignments produced by the two programs are exactly the same; the only difference between ClustalW and ClustalX is the way in which the user interacts with the program. ClustalW uses a simple text-based command-line program. Its full screen and graphical user interface, although the program does provide an interface which enables users to input sequences and perform multiple alignments. Most users who use Clustal interactively will use the graphical interface provided by ClustalX. This protocol therefore uses ClustalX (View on a Silicon Graphics Unit, workstation) to illustrate the basic multiple alignment procedure. Although the example given here uses protein sequences, the same protocol can be performed with nucleic acid sequences.</p> <p>Necessary Resources</p> <p>Hardware Unix (including Linux) workstation (e.g., Sun, Alpha, Silicon Graphics, PCs, PC with MS Windows, or Power Macintosh)</p> <p>Software ClustalW or ClustalX program (see Support Protocol)</p> <p>Files Sequences can be input to both ClustalW and ClustalX in one of seven file formats. All sequences must be in the same file. The input files are automatically recognized as: NBRF/PIR, DMSB/Protein-Protein (FASTA), protein or Clustal, GCG/MSI, GCG/MSI, and GCG/MSI. The sequences</p> <p>Contributed by John D. Thompson, John J. Gibson, and David C. Higgins Copyright © 2005 by John Wiley & Sons, Inc.</p> <p>Reprints Permitted 2.3.4</p>	<p>Computing Multiple Sequence/Structure Alignments with the T-Coffee Package</p> <p><i>UNIT 3.8</i></p> <p>This unit describes how to assemble a multiple sequence alignment using the T-Coffee multiple sequence alignment package (Miyamoto et al., 2008). Although T-Coffee is often used to align closely related sequences and existing sequence alignments, T-Coffee is also much more flexible than most methods because it makes it possible to combine many alternative alignments into a single one based on an estimate of consistency between the alignments. The protocols below show how such a combination can be done and how alternative alignment methods can be added to sequence methods in the T-Coffee program.</p> <p>This unit assumes that the user wants to align a set of sequences that are more or less homologous than their own length (see Basic Protocol 1). These sequences may have been partitioned into any appropriate database search strategy. Given such a data set, the user can assemble a multiple alignment in order to carry out family membership profiles (see Basic Protocol 2), structural modeling (see Basic Protocol 3), or phylogenetic modeling (see Conspectus). This multiple sequence alignment may also be used to analyze the potential effect of an SNP (Non-Synonymous Single Nucleotide Polymorphism) to simply to check whether a specific sequence is a true member of the family. Most of this unit assumes that the user is familiar with the Unix environment (without being a specialist or programmer; see entries in a glossary). The last section (see the Appendix at the end of the unit) is a bit more demanding in terms of computer skills, but it should be relatively straightforward to anyone with a basic knowledge of the scripting language Perl.</p> <p>T-Coffee is more appropriate for generating high-quality alignments, but it is more demanding in terms of resources than other, simpler programs. Given a standard 2 GHz PC with 200 MB of memory, one should not hope to align more than 100 sequences that are up to 2000 nucleotides long when using the default mode. This figure is simply an indication; since the memory requirement depends on the relationship of the sequences being considered (close sequences require less time and less memory). Given these limitations, it is often a good strategy to start with a good multiple sequence alignment method such as ClustalW (see 1) in order to quickly identify potential problems within the data set, before trying the results with T-Coffee. Nevertheless, the authors provide two alternative strategies that make it possible to bypass some of the limitations of T-Coffee regarding memory usage.</p> <p>In this unit, protocols are presented on how to use T-Coffee in a Unix/Linux environment, taking advantage of the rich command-line options of this program. Yet, for those who prefer a graphical Web interface, much of what is presented here can also be accomplished by using the Web T-Coffee (Thompson et al., 2003), available at http://align.genome.gov/cgi-bin/. This service is provided by the community at the CNRS and HP servers. Other online versions of this software are also available that are maintained by the T-Coffee home page (accessible from the T-Coffee Web server at the aforementioned URL).</p> <p>NOTE: Investigators who are unfamiliar with the Unix environment are encouraged to read entries on a glossary in</p> <p>Contributed by Cedric Notredame and Kathryn Wilson Copyright © 2005 by John Wiley & Sons, Inc.</p> <p>Reprints Permitted 3.8.4</p>
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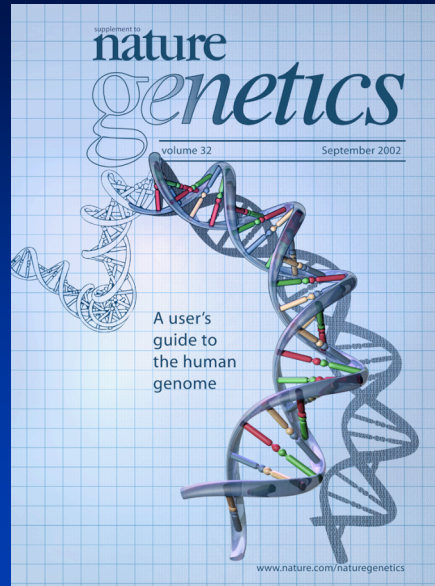
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