

Tropical Disease Initiative

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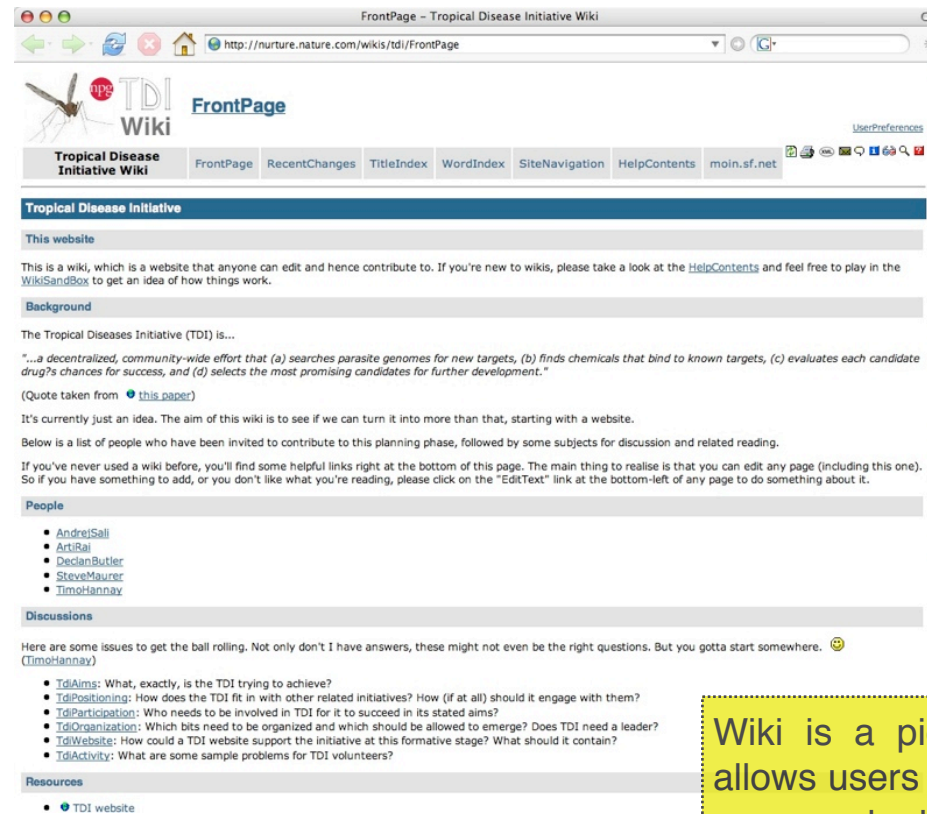
The screenshot shows the TDI web site homepage. The browser window title is "Tropical Disease Initiative" and the address bar shows "http://www.tropicaldisease.org/". The page features a mosquito logo and the TDI logo. A navigation menu on the left lists: HOME, About TDI, PARTICIPATING GROUPS, DOCUMENTS, MANAGEMENT, CALENDAR, DISCUSSION FORUMS, NEWS, LINKS, WIKI, and CONTACT. The main content area has a header "Welcome to the Tropical Disease Initiative" and a central diagram illustrating the drug discovery process. The diagram is divided into three main sections: COMPUTING, CHEMISTRY, and BIOLOGY. The COMPUTING section includes databases of genome sequences, database of protein structures, virtual ligand libraries, PubMed, journals, other databases, sequence similarity searches, protein structure modeling, literature searches, protein-ligand docking, and functional annotation. The CHEMISTRY section includes synthetic chemistry, compound libraries, high-throughput screening, and protein production. The BIOLOGY section includes protein engineering, substrate specificity studies, structural biology, and target validation. A central box labeled "TDI" lists "TARGET DISCOVERY", "LEAD DISCOVERY", and "LEAD OPTIMIZATION". A yellow arrow labeled "leads" points from the central box to a box labeled "VIRTUAL PHARMA" which includes "and other development organizations", "TOXICITY AND PHARMACOKINETIC EVALUATION", "CLINICAL STUDIES", and "DRUG PRODUCTION". A yellow arrow labeled "drugs" points down from the "VIRTUAL PHARMA" box.

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TDI wiki site

<http://nurture.nature.com/wikis/tdi/>



Wiki is a piece of server software that allows users to freely create and edit Web page content using any Web browser.

- Fill Important Gap in Existing R&D Efforts.
- Tip Economics.
- Experiment in Open Science.

TDI mailing list

<http://salilab.org/mailman/listinfo/tdi-discuss>

TDI-discuss -- Tropical Disease Initiative discussion forum

About TDI-discuss

View this page in
English (USA) ▼

This list will be for discussing open source drug discovery efforts for tropical diseases.

To see the collection of prior postings to the list, visit the [TDI-discuss Archives](#).

Using TDI-discuss

To post a message to all the list members, send email to tdi-discuss@tropicaldisease.org.

You can subscribe to the list, or change your existing subscription, in the sections below.

Subscribing to TDI-discuss

Subscribe to TDI-discuss by filling out the following form. You will be sent email requesting confirmation, to prevent others from gratuitously subscribing you. This is a hidden list, which means that the list of members is available only to the list administrator.

Your email address:

Your name (optional):

You may enter a privacy password below. This provides only mild security, but should prevent others from messing with your subscription. **Do not use a valuable password** as it will occasionally be emailed back to you in cleartext.

If you choose not to enter a password, one will be automatically generated for you, and it will be sent to you once you've confirmed your subscription. You can always request a mail-back of your password when you edit your personal options. Once a month, your password will be emailed to you as a reminder.

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The Wiki site contains many interesting ideas and potential avenues to explore, but from what I can see it is **lacking an Action Plan!**

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19 Jan 2005

**If we do the science well, I'm optimistic that the
rest of TDI will fall into place.**

Stephen Mark Maurer

Science @ Tropical Disease Initiative

www.tropicaldisease.org



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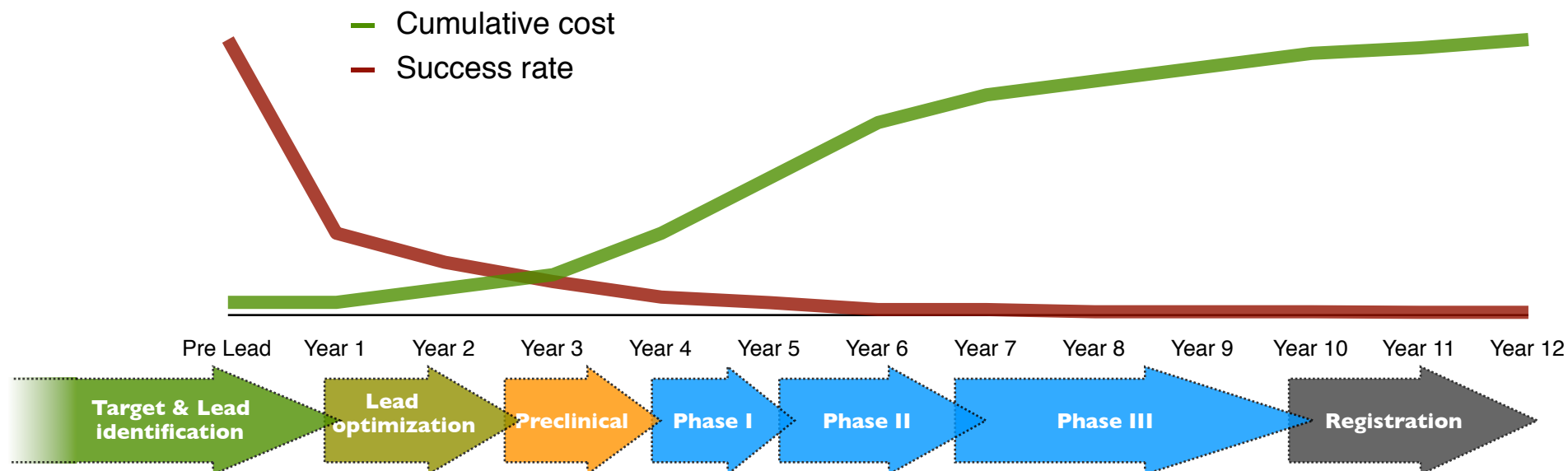
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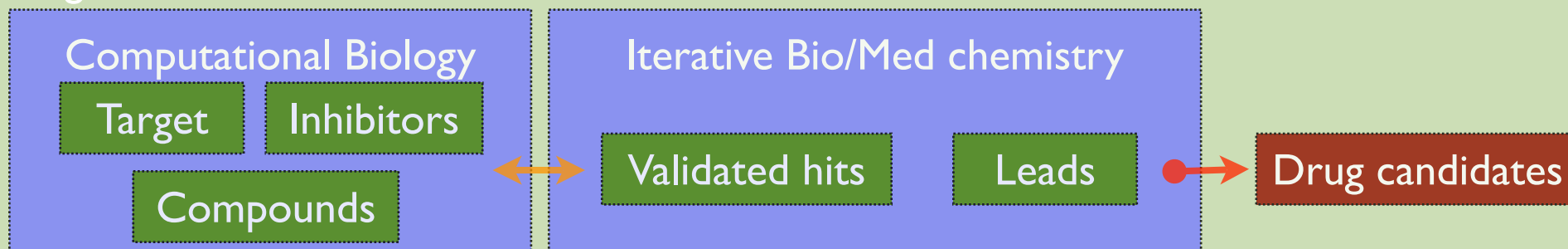
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Drug Discovery pipeline

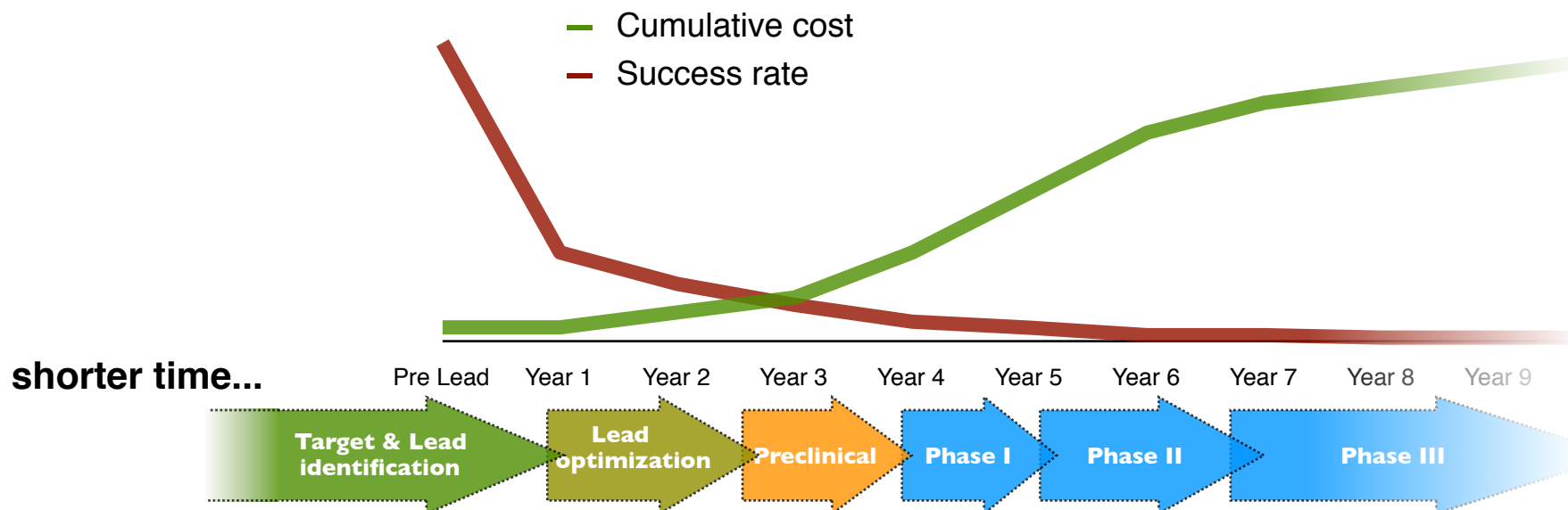


Target & Lead identification



Adapted from: - Nwaka & Ridley. (2003) *Nature Reviews. Drug Discovery*. 2:919
 - Austin, Brady, Insel & collins. (2004) *Science*. 306:1138

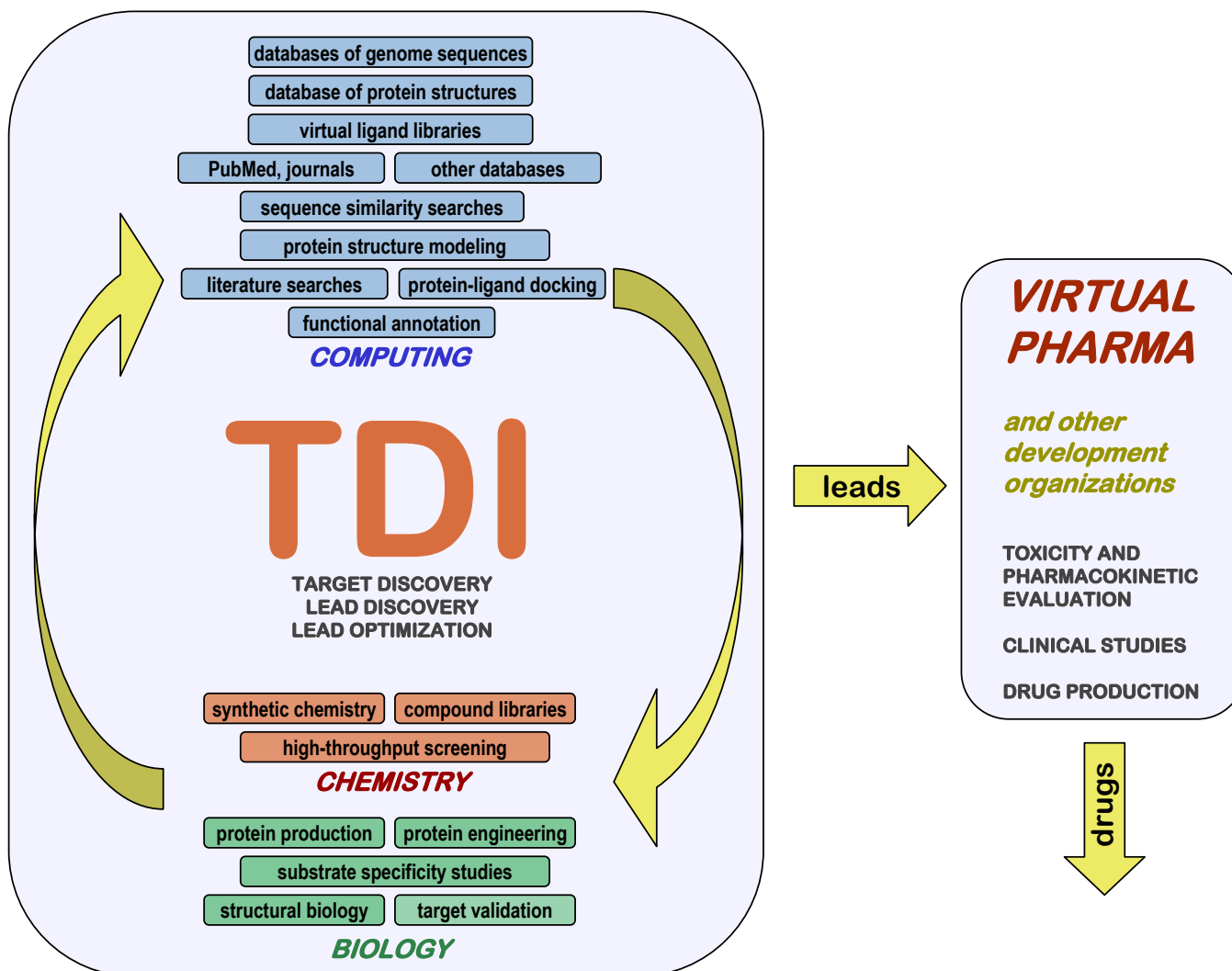
Drug Discovery pipeline



- + Completeness of genome projects (Malaria)
- + New and more complete biological databases
- + New software and computers (cheaper and faster)
- + Internet == more people

- Computational Biology **alone** is not enough
- TDI needs chemistry and biology! (**How?**)

TDI flowchart



Name	Type ^a	World Wide Web address ^b
DATABASES		
CATH	S	http://www.biochem.ucl.ac.uk/bsm/cath/
DBAli	S	http://www.salilab.org/DBAli/
GenBank	S	http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Genbank/GenbankSearch.html
GeneCensus	S	http://bioinfo.mbb.yale.edu/genome
MODBASE	S	http://salilab.org/modbase/
MSD	S	http://www.rcsb.org/databases.html
NCBI	S	http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/
PDB	S	http://www.rcsb.org/pdb/
PSI	S	http://www.nigms.nih.gov/psi/
Sacch3D	S	http://genome-www.stanford.edu/Sacch3D/
SCOP	S	http://scop.mrc-lmb.cam.ac.uk/scop/
TIGR	S	http://www.tigr.org/tdb/mdb/mdbcomplete.html
TrEMBL	S	http://srs.ebi.ac.uk/
FOLD ASSIGNMENT		
123D	S	http://123d.ncifcrf.gov/
3D-PSSM	S	http://www.sbg.bio.ic.ac.uk/~3dpssm/
BIOINBGU	S	http://www.cs.bgu.ac.il/~bioinbgu/
BLAST	S	http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/BLAST/
DALI	S	http://www2.ebi.ac.uk/dali/
FASS	S	http://bioinformatics.burnham-inst.org/FFAS/index.html
FastA	S	http://www.ebi.ac.uk/fasta3/
FRSVR	S	http://fold.doe-mbi.ucla.edu/
FUGUE	S	http://www-cryst.bioc.cam.ac.uk/~fugue/
LOOPP	S	http://ser-loopp.tc.cornell.edu/cbsu/loopp.htm
PDB-Blast/FASS	S	http://bioinformatics.ljcrf.edu/pdb_blast/
PHD, J. NITS		http://protein.org/

What CB can do?

Available computational biology resources for TDI

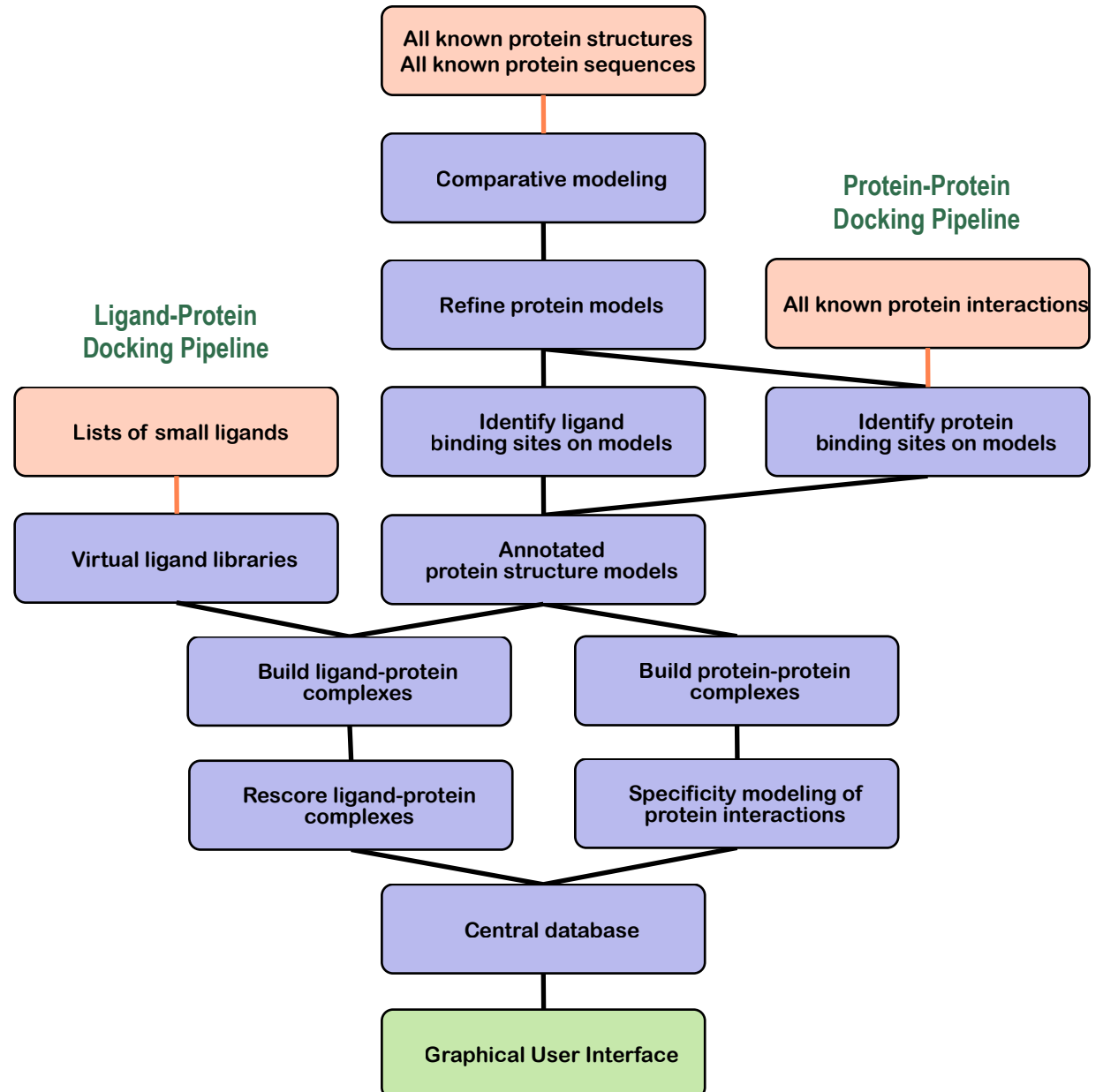
Protein-Ligand Universe

Center for Computational Proteomics Research (CCPR)

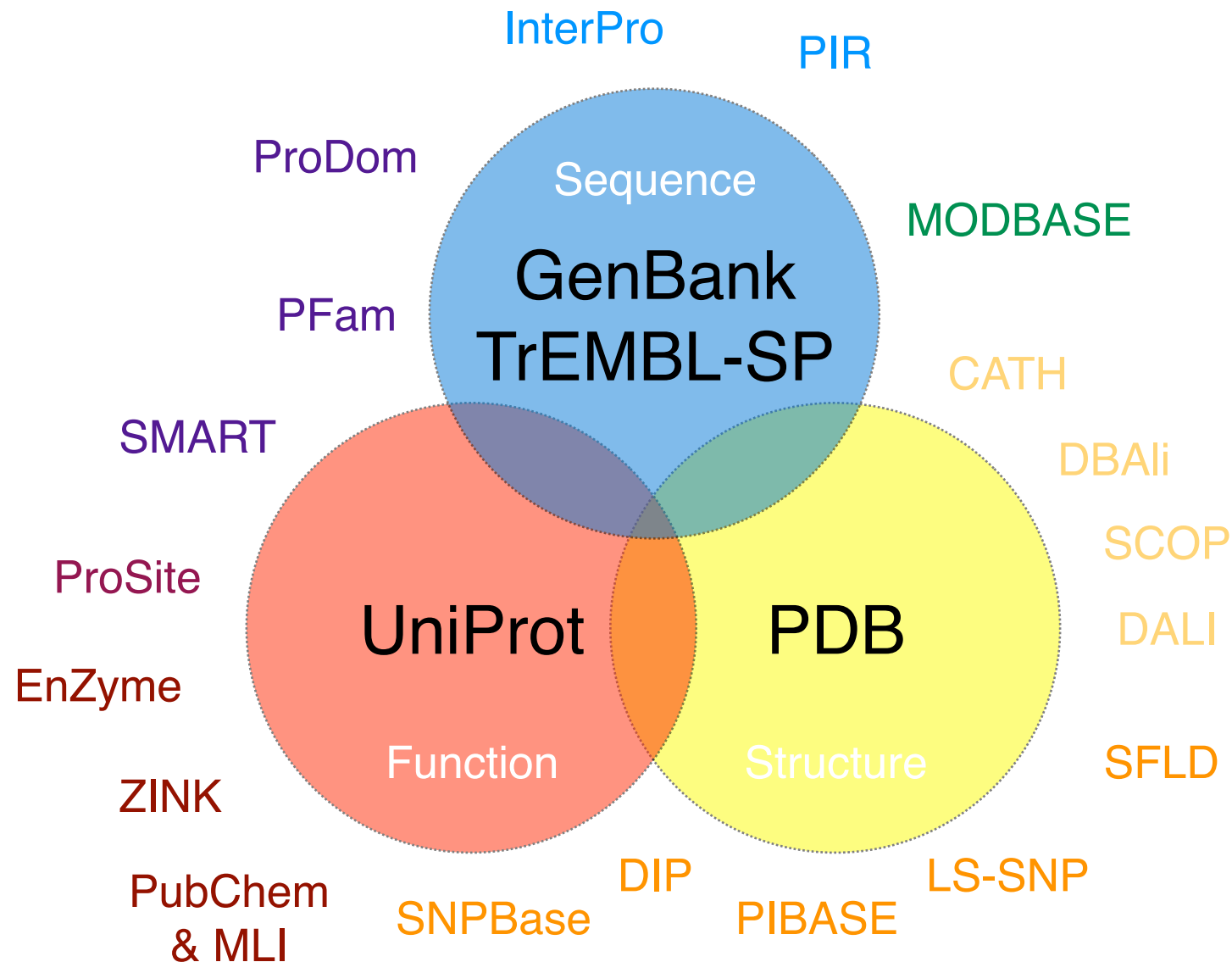
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<http://www.ccpr.ucsf.edu/>

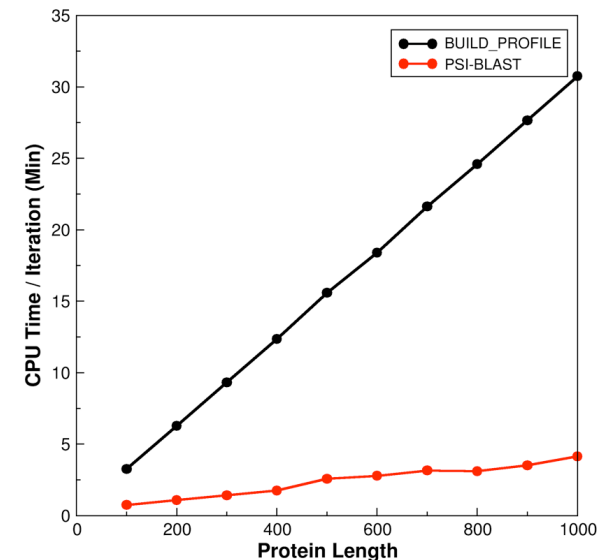
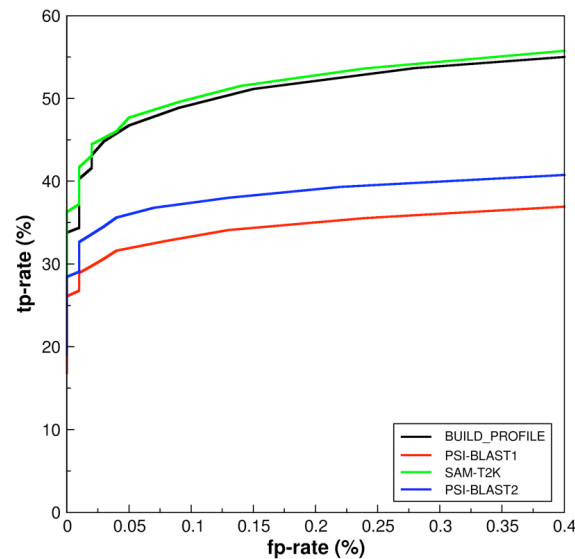
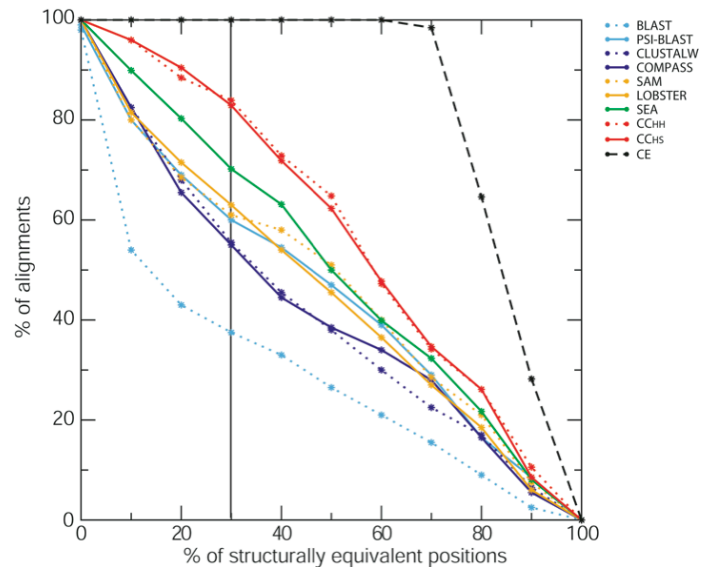
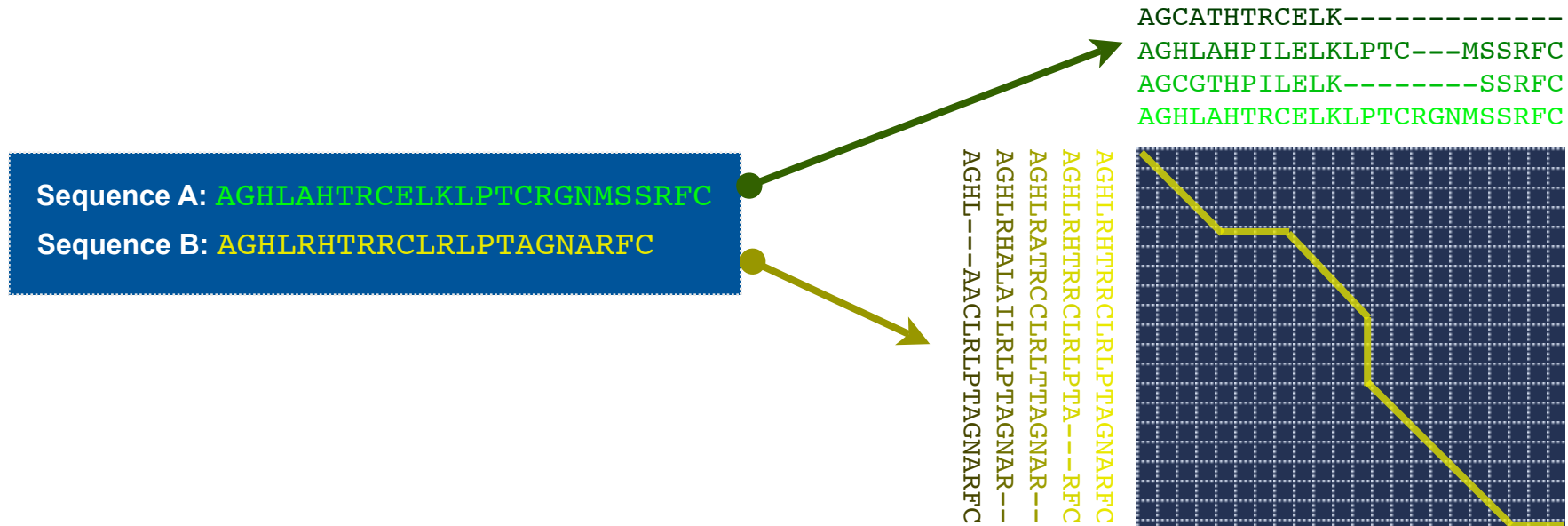


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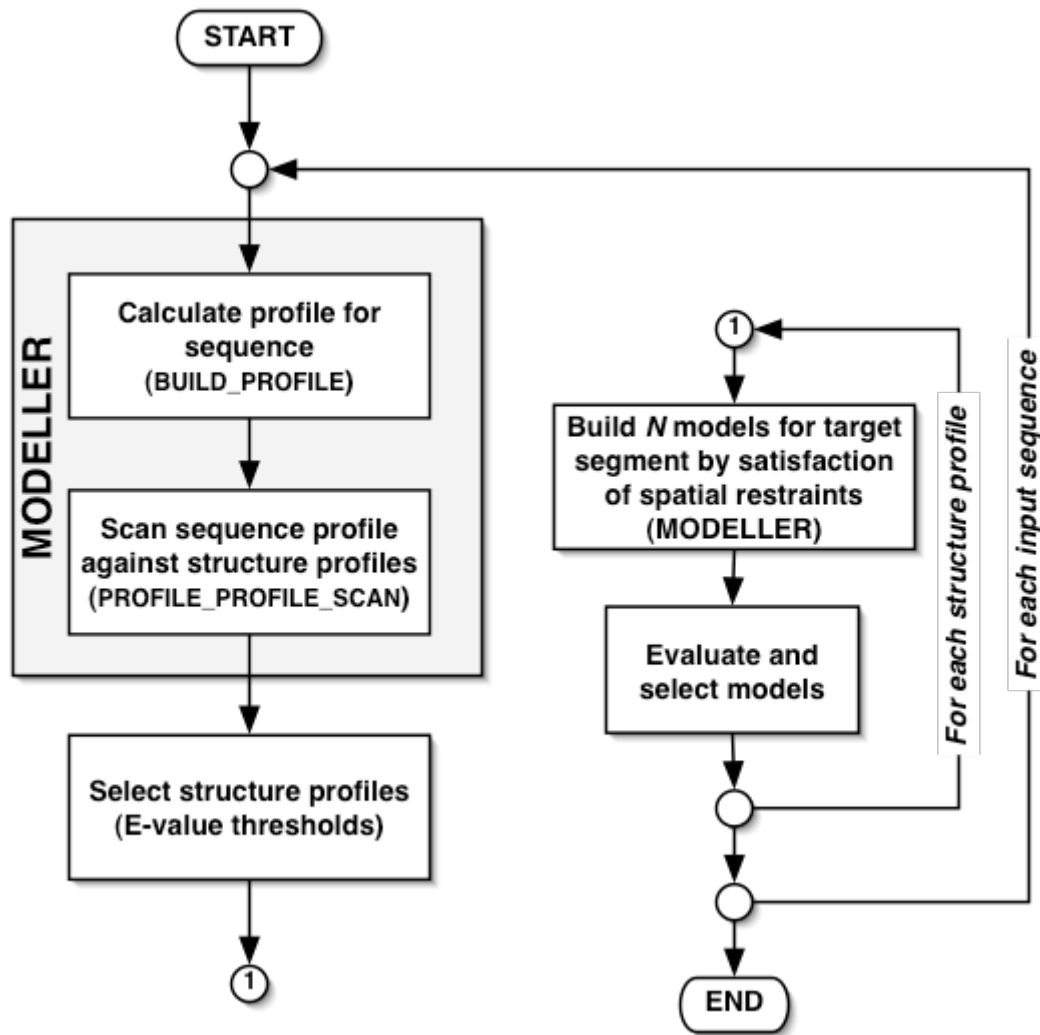
Sequence search

Profile based homology detection



Protein Structure Modeling

ModPipe & ModWeb



**Mod
Web**

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A name for the run (optional)	<input type="text"/>
MODELLER Access Key	<input type="text"/>
Input	
Enter the 4-letter PDB code of the structure <input type="text"/>	
or upload a file containing the structure (PDB format only)	
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You will receive an e-mail informing you how to access the models in ModBase.	
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<http://www.salilab.org/modweb/>

Eswar et.al., (2003) Nucl.Acids.Res. 31(13)

Protein Structure Modeling

Large-Scale prediction

Sequences	1,679,742
Modeled sequences	964,442
Models	2,947,461
ModWeb datasets	1,506
ModWeb Models	387,403

Protein Structure Modeling

MODBASE (<http://www.salilab.org/modbase/>)

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MODBASE

Database of Comparative Protein Structure Models

Welcome to ModBase, a database of three-dimensional protein models calculated by comparative modeling. ([Old ModBase Interface](#))

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Note:
 MODBASE contains theoretically calculated models, not experimentally determined structures. The models may contain significant errors.

ModBase search form

Search type Display type

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MODBASE

Sequence Information

Primary Database Link [P43632 \(K12S4_HUMAN\)](#)

Organism [Homo sapiens](#)

Annotation killer cell immunoglobulin-like receptor 2ds4 precursor (mhc class ide nk cell receptor) (natural killer associated transcript 8) (nk4t-8)de (p58 natural killer cell receptor clone cl-39) (p58 nk

Sequence Length 304

Model Information

Perform action on this model

Sequence Model Coverage

Sequence Identity 89.00%

E-Value 2e-43

Model Score 1.00

Target Region 27-221

Protein Length 304

Template PDB Code [1nkr](#)

Template Region 6-200

Dataset snp-human2

Filtered models for current sequence ([Show all models](#))

Cross-references

Sequence Overview

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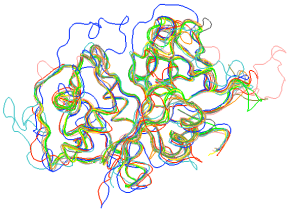
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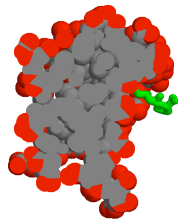
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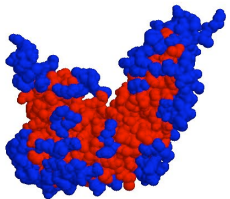
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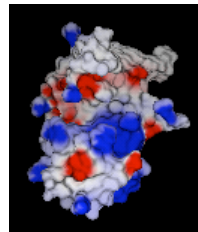
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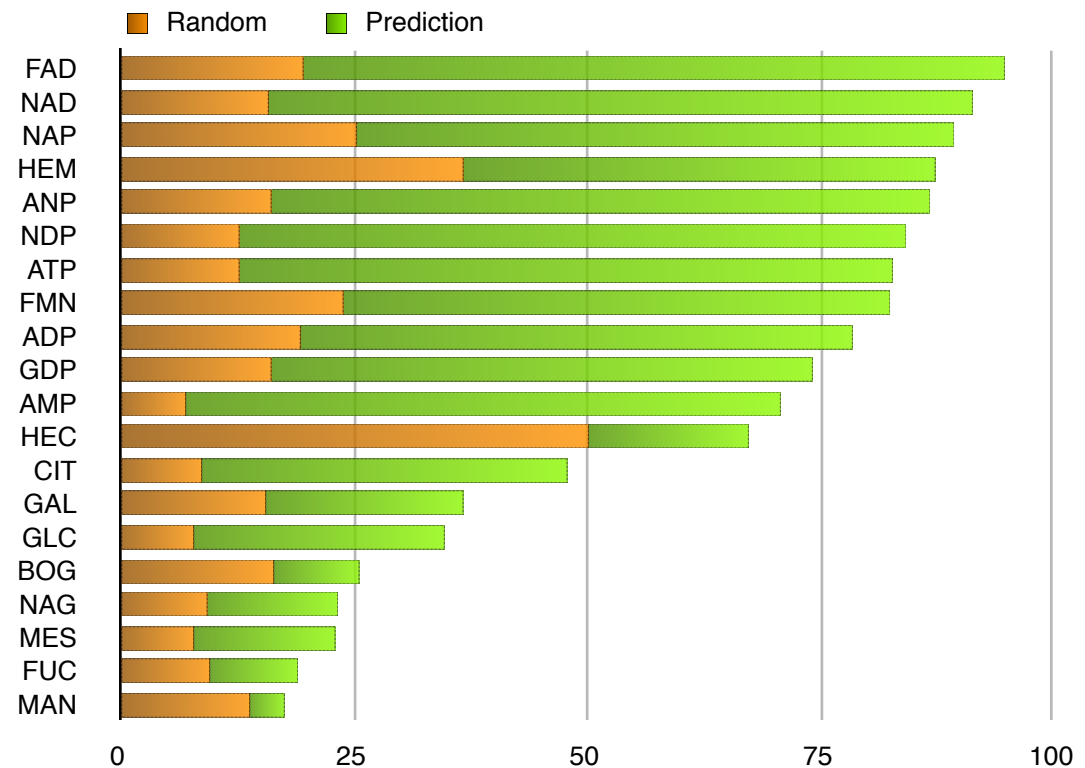
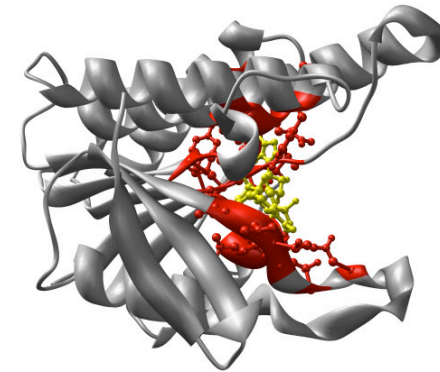
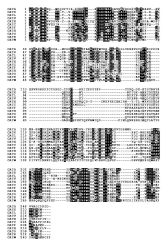
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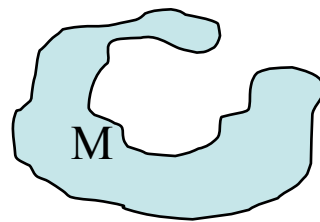
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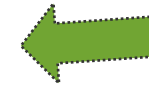
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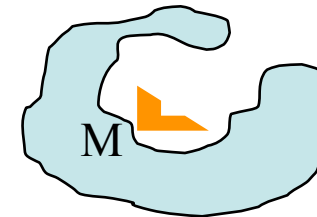
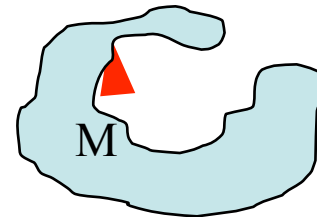
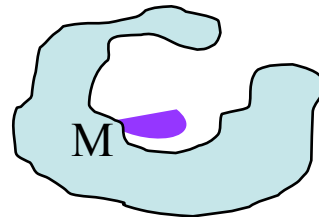
Structure of target protein



Dock into site



<http://blaster.docking.org>



Test high-scoring molecules



Structure determination

New inhibitor design



Docking .vs. HTS

Target: reductase TB

Library: Merk chemical

$IC_{50} < 100\mu M$ hit rates

HTS
<0.2%

Dock
~6%

Protein-Ligand Docking

Successfully applied

Target	Best hit IC ₅₀ (μM)	Docking program	Structure solved?
Aldose reductase	4.3	Adam & Eve	No
CDK4	44	Legend	Yes
Matriptase	0.9	DOCK	No
Bcl-2	10.4	DOCK	No
Adenovirus protease	3.1	EUDOC	No
AmpC	26 ^a	DOCK3.5.54	Yes
Retinoic acid receptor	2	ICM	No
TH receptor	1.5	ICM	No
TGT	8.3	LUDI/ FlexX	Yes
Carbonic anhydrase	0.0008	FlexX	Yes
HPRTase	2.2 ^a	DOCK3.5.54	No
Lysozyme cavity site	56 ^b	DOCK3.5.54	Yes
H ₂ picolinate reductase	7.2	FLOG	No
PTP-1B	0.5	DOCK3.5.54	No
Edema Factor	25 ^a	DOCK3.5.54	No
CDK2	0.08	DOCK4	No

Some recent docking successes (a. K_i. b. K_d).

Name	Type ^a	World Wide Web address ^b
DATABASES		
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FOLD ASSIGNMENT		
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DALI	S	http://www2.ebi.ac.uk/dali/
FASS	S	http://bioinformatics.burnham-inst.org/FFAS/index.html
FastA	S	http://www.ebi.ac.uk/fasta3/
FRSVR	S	http://fold.doe-mbi.ucla.edu/
FUGUE	S	http://www-cryst.bioc.cam.ac.uk/~fugue/
LOOPP	S	http://ser-loopp.tc.cornell.edu/cbsu/loopp.htm
PDB-Blast/FASS	S	http://bioinformatics.tjcrf.edu/pdb_blast/
PHD	S	http://www.phd-protein.org/

What CB has done?

Success stories in structure-based drug design...

Examples

HIV Proteinase inhibitors (1989)

Knowledge-based protein modelling and design.

Blundell T, et al Eur J Biochem. 1988 15:513

“A systematic technique for protein modelling that is applicable to the design of drugs, peptide vaccines and novel proteins is described. We have modelled an analogous protein, HIV viral proteinase on the basis of aspartic proteinases”.

X-ray analysis of HIV-1 proteinase at 2.7 Å resolution confirms structural homology among retroviral enzymes.

Lapatto et al Nature. 1989 Nov 16;342(6247):299-302.

“Knowledge of the tertiary structure of the proteinase from human immunodeficiency virus HIV-1 is important to the design of inhibitors that might possess antiviral activity and thus be useful in the treatment of AIDS. The conserved Asp-Thr/Ser-Gly sequence in retroviral proteinases suggests that they exist as dimers similar to the ancestor proposed for the pepsins.”



HIV Proteinase structure

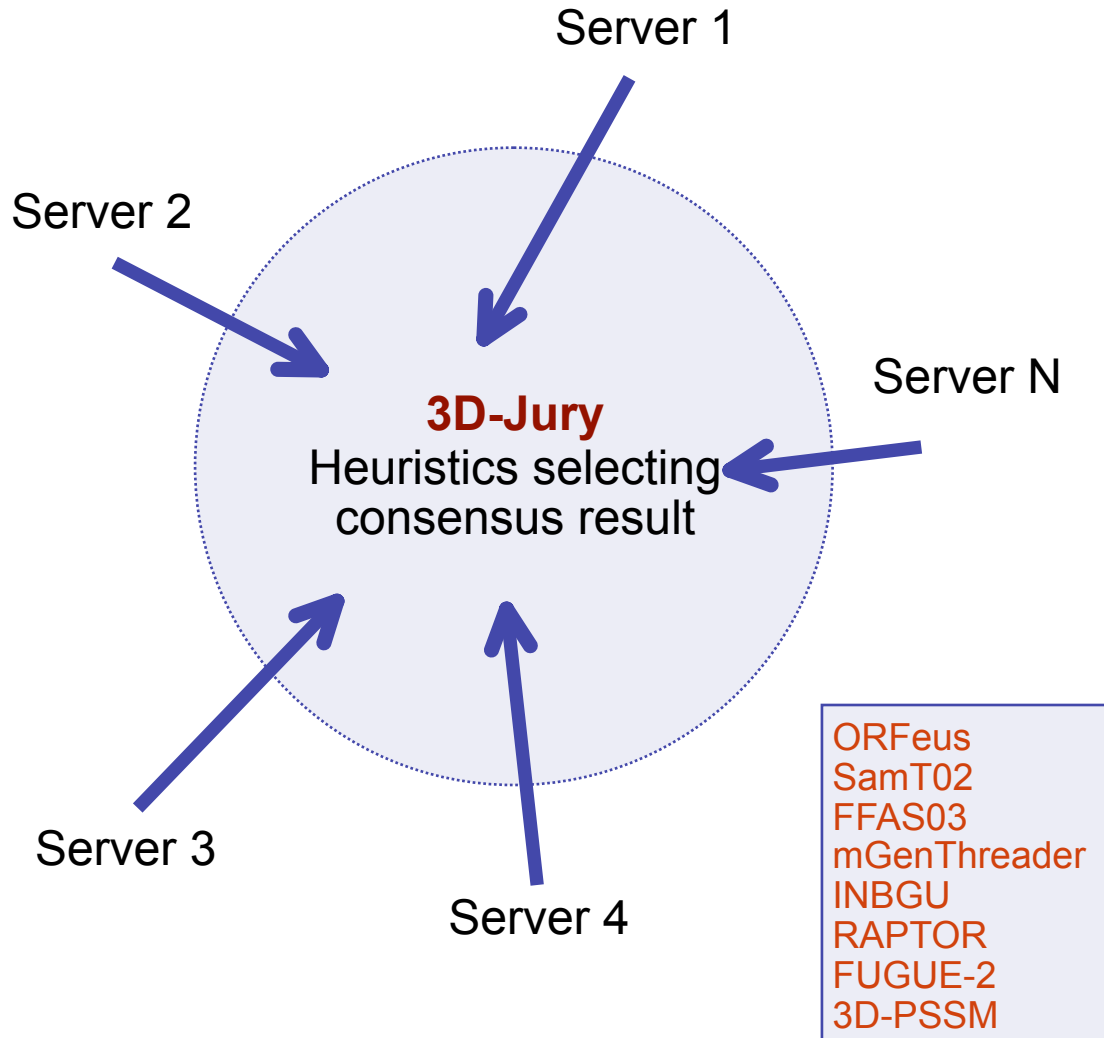
The 3-D structure of HIV-1 proteinase and the design of antiviral agents for the treatment of AIDS.

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“Analogies between the structures of HIV-1 proteinase and the mammalian enzyme renin have given **important clues** concerning the design of specific inhibitors that have antiviral activity.”

Examples

mRNA Cap-1 Methyltransferase in SARS (2003)



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Letter to the Editor

mRNA Cap-1 Methyltransferase in the SARS Genome

The 3D jury system has predicted the methyltransferase fold for the nsp13 protein of the SARS coronavirus. Based on the conservation of a characteristic tetrad of residues, the mRNA cap-1 methyltransferase function has been assigned to this protein, which has potential implications for antiviral therapy.

The latest outbreak of the severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS) epidemic has led to thousands of potentially lethally infected patients and hundreds of deaths. These numbers are likely to rise, and the spreading disease is already causing major medical and economical concerns. Meanwhile, the SARS coronavirus identified as the pathogen responsible for the disaster has been isolated, and its genome sequenced (Marra et al., 2003; Rota et al., 2003).

We have applied the 3D jury meta predictor (Ginalski et al., 2003) to annotate the structure and function of proteins encoded by the viral positive-strand ssRNA. Novel fold recognition methods utilize the global network of independent structure prediction servers. Detection of patterns of structural similarity between diverse models is used to consistently select the correct fold from a set of borderline predictions. Such methods made a dramatic impact on the last critical assessment of protein structure prediction (CASP-5 experiment) conducted in the summer of 2002. One of the most interesting findings obtained during the SARS genome annotation process is a surprisingly reliable (3D jury score >100) assignment of the methyltransferase fold to the nsp13 (GI:30133975) domain located in the C-terminal part of the almost 7000 amino acid large pp1ab viral polyprotein (Figure 1). Standard sequence comparison tools such as PSI-BLAST or RPS-BLAST applied using the conserved domain database (Marchler-Bauer et al., 2003) failed to assign any function to this domain. The domain belongs to the ancient family of AdoMet-dependent ribose 2'-O-methyltransferases, which has been adapted by numerous viruses before the three domains of life evolved from the last universal common ancestor (LUCA) (Feder et al., 2003). The enzymatic role of the protein was confirmed by the presence of the conserved tetrad of residues K-D-K-E essential for mRNA cap-1 (mGpppN) formation.

The mRNA cap methylation is found indispensable for efficient replication of many viruses (Bach et al., 1995; Wocyniuk et al., 1995; Viot et al., 2002) and represents an active area for drug development. Nevertheless, direct inhibitors of the nsp13 enzyme may fail to suppress viral replication, as the cap-1 formation seems to be less critical than the preceding cap-0 (mGppN) formation (Latner et al., 2002; Wu and Guarino, 2003). The existence of the cap-1-forming enzyme in the genome would

suggest that the virus also requires the AdoMet-dependent cap-0 methyltransferase. Both functions can be inhibited by carbocyclic analogs of adenosine, such as Neplanocin A or 3-deazaneplanocin A, which interfere with the AdoMet-AdoHcy metabolism of the host cell (De Clercq, 1998; Bray et al., 2002). Those compounds could complement other therapeutic strategies aimed at blocking enzymatic functions such as the RNA-dependent RNA polymerase, the protease, or the helicase encoded by the SARS virus.

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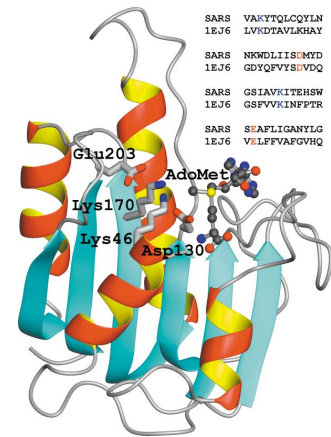


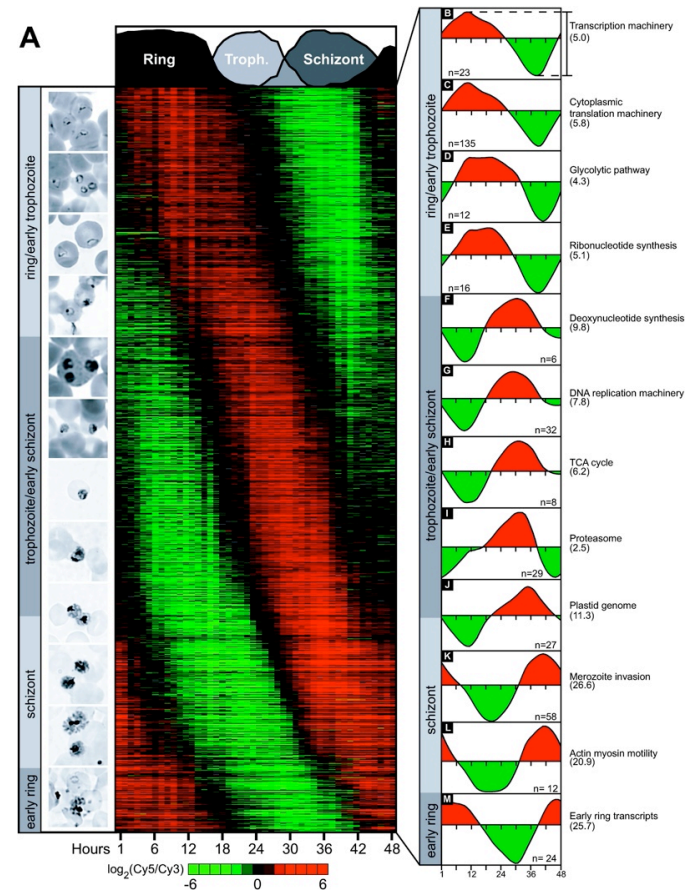
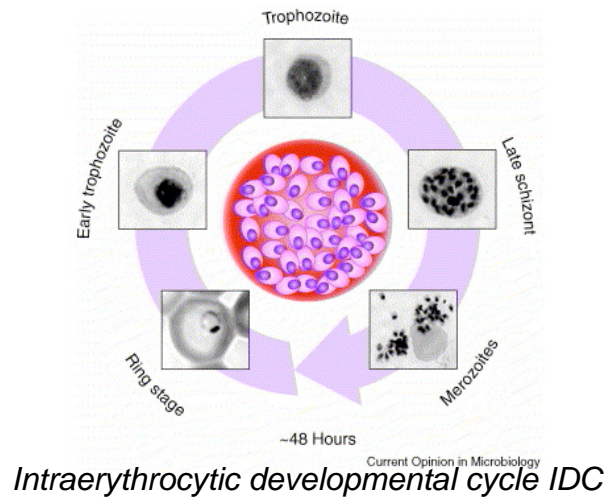
Figure 1. 3D Model of the nsp13 Domain of the SARS Coronavirus pp1ab Polyprotein
This model is based on the reassigned (Bujnicki and Rychlewski, 2001) cap-1 methyltransferase of the reovirus 12 protein (1ej6 [Reinisch et al., 2000]). While other templates (1eiz or 1ej0) obtained marginally higher 3D jury scores, the selected template had the lowest number of insertions and deletions. Side chains of the conserved tetrad of residues (K-D-K-E) essential for cap-1 methylation and the docked AdoMet cofactor are shown. Four blocks of aligned motifs containing the conserved, function-specific residues are shown in upper right corner.

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Genomic research on Malaria (2003)



1. **Periodic and continuum** nature of the *P. falciparum* transcriptome (for at least 80% of the genes)
2. Potential for **characterizing** ~60% genes of unknown function

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P450s									
Ion-channels									
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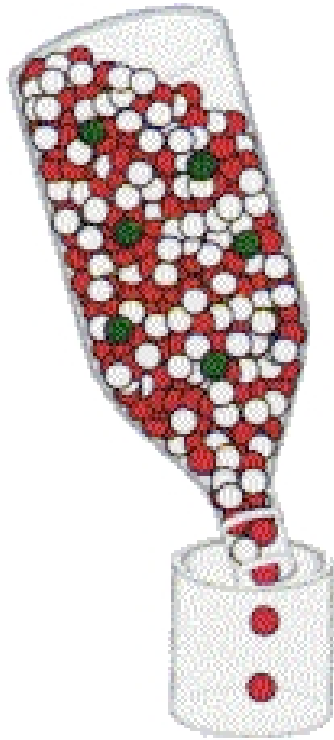
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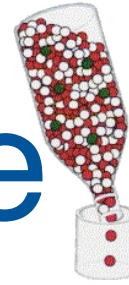
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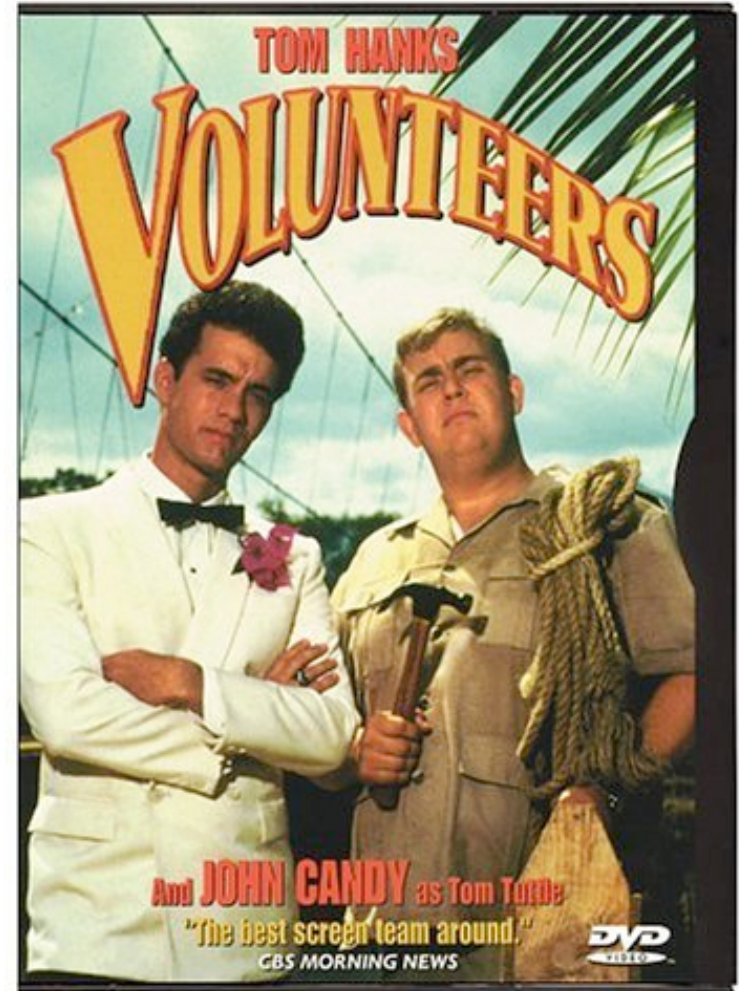
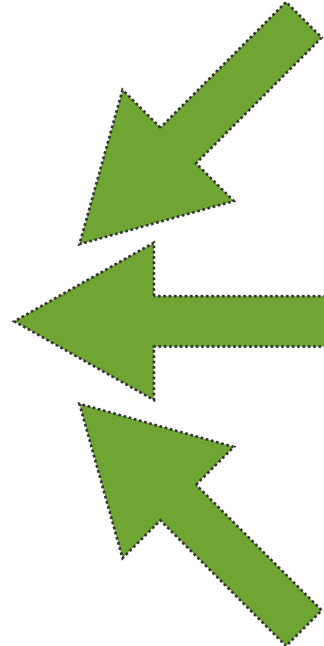
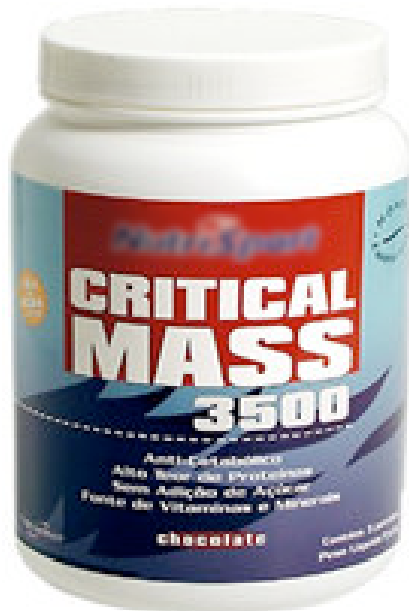
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