

Functional Annotation



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Functional Annotation Overview

- What is annotation
- Steps we take to annotate eukaryotic genes
- Software tools we use for functional annotation
- Steps we take to manually annotate or verify an automated annotation

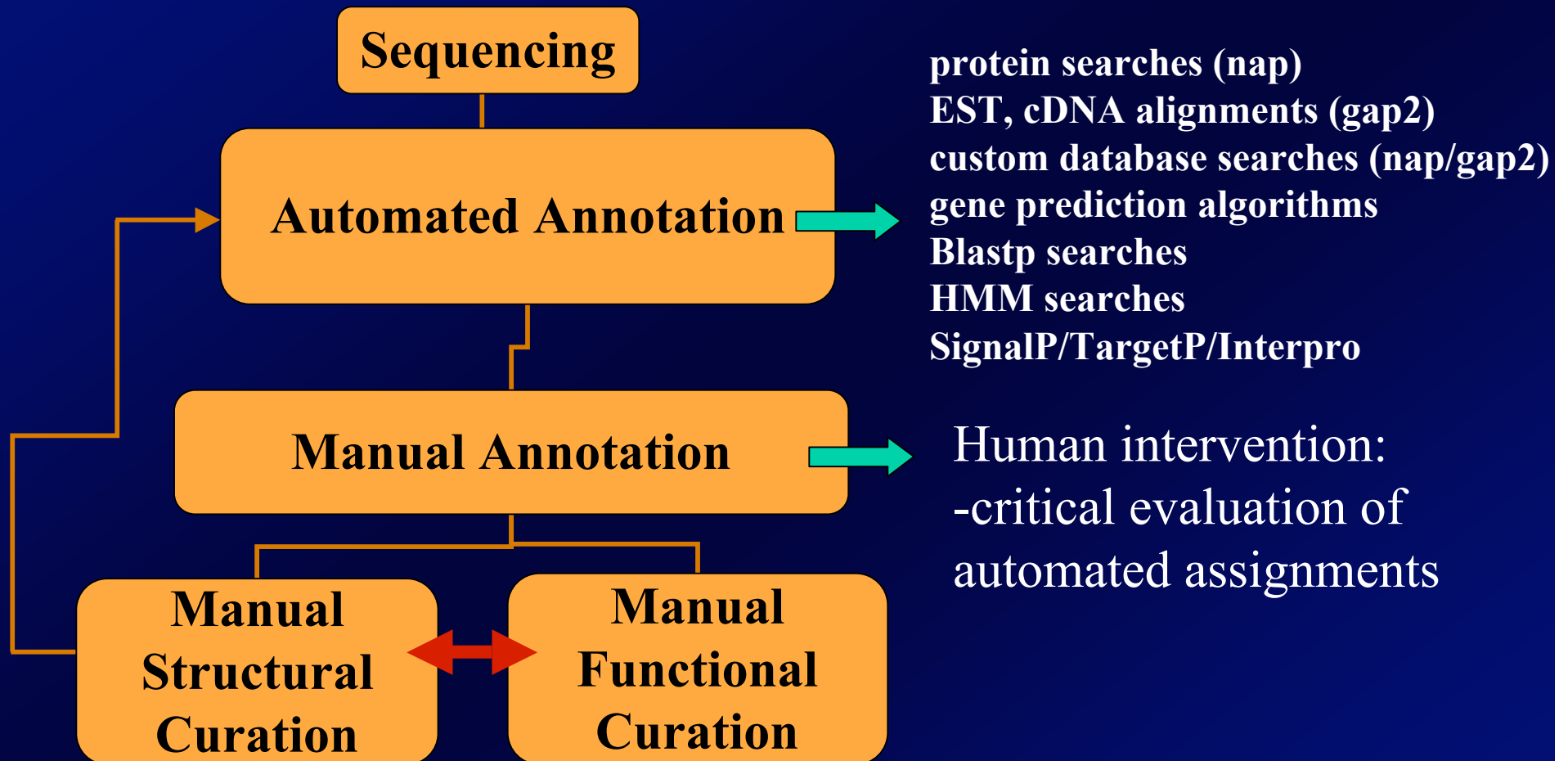
What are the questions?

- How did the gene get its structure and name?
- Does it really have a function assigned to it?
- Where did this information come from?
- Is it accurate? Can you rely on it?

What is Functional Annotation?

- “To annotate” is “to make or furnish critical or explanatory notes or comments”
- For genomics the ‘notes’ are about
 - Names of the gene products
 - Functions of genes within an organism
- Elements of the functional annotation process
 - Validation of the gene structure
 - Literature search, if any is available
 - Homology / domain searches
 - Assignment of function
 - Maintenance of data availability

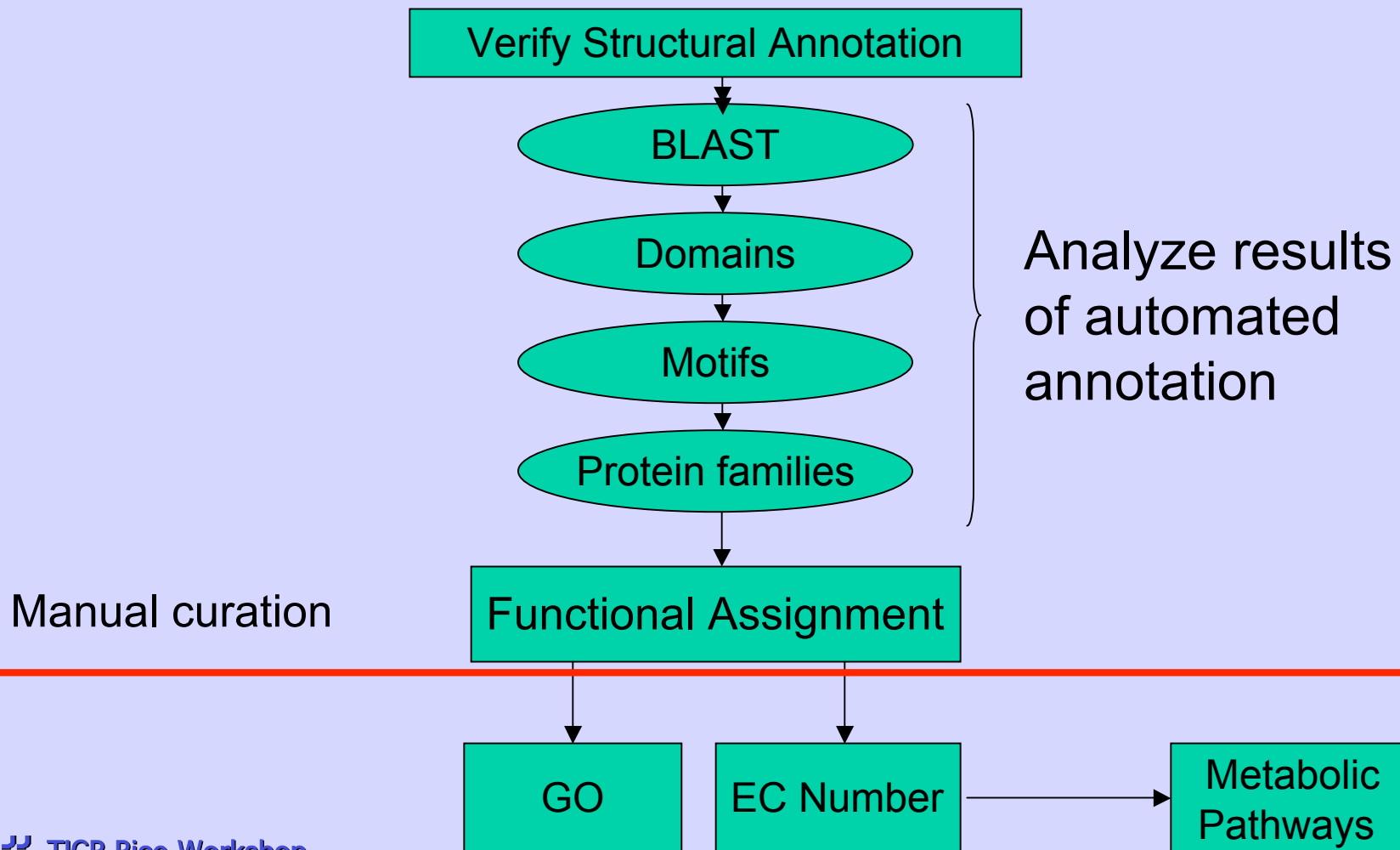
The Annotation Pipeline



Manual vs. Automated Annotation

- Automated Annotation is complicated by high volumes of data derived from different methods at different centers
- High quality annotation requires manual review and intervention.

Steps in Functional Annotation



Steps in Functional Annotation

- Analyze the gene structure (Annotation Station or preferred gene viewer)
- Name the gene product (Manatee)
 - requires analysis of the gene product
 - gene product name is primarily homology based on different bioinformatics tools
- Assign Gene Ontology terms
 - Process
 - Function
 - Component

Homology Searching

(Tools that are available to characterize a sequence)

- **WU BLAST** <http://blast.wustl.edu/> with links to many servers
- **NCBI BLAST** <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/blast/>
- **Pfam profiles** (profiles, or HMMs) <http://pfam.wustl.edu/>
- **TIGRFAMS** (profiles, or HMMs) <http://tigrblast.tigr.org/web-hmm/>
- **Prosite** (profiles & families) <http://ca.expasy.org/tools/scanprosite/>
- **Interpro** (families) <http://www.ebi.ac.uk/InterProScan/>
- **TmHMM** (transmembrane domain) <http://www.cbs.dtu.dk/services/TMHMM/>
- **Swiss-Prot** <http://au.expasy.org/sprot/>
- **SignalP** (signal peptide cleavage sites) <http://www.cbs.dtu.dk/services/SignalP/>
- **TargetP** (subcellular location) <http://www.cbs.dtu.dk/services/TargetP/>
- **PSI-BLAST** (NCBI) link at <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/BLAST/>
- **Protein families and clustering**
 - **TIGR Paralogous Families** (not yet available outside of TIGR)
 - **TribeMCL** <http://www.ebi.ac.uk/research/cgg/tribe/>

Manatee

- Manatee is a web-based gene evaluation and genome annotation tool.
- Manatee displays the current annotation for prokaryotic and eukaryotic genomes.
- Manatee is an open source software available at:

<http://sourceforge.net/projects/manatee/>

Oryza sativa spp japonica cv. Nipponbare Gene Curation Page [Home](#) | [Logged into \[osa1\] as ecaler](#)

GENE CURATION INFORMATION

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<u>Gene Synonyms</u> None	<u>Alternative Splicing</u> None
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(Scale shown in nucleotides.)

CURATION STATUS

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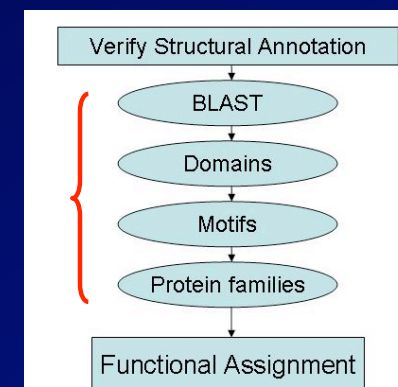
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gene name	<u>gene name aliases</u>
product name	<u>product name aliases</u>
leucyl-tRNA synthetase	<u>gene symbol aliases</u>
	<u>ec number aliases</u>

make high quality functional assignments using genome analyses tools. These tools consist of, but are not limited to GO classifications, blast search data, protein families.

Verify evidence from automated annotation

- BLAST matches
- HMM
- Prosite, Interpro classifications
- Motifs
- Signal Sequence
- Target Sequence
- Transmembrane domain
- Protein families



Functional annotation

Examine the gene structure

does it make sense with respect to the alignments?

do you need to re-curate the gene structure?

Name the gene product

Determine whether it is published, Fully characterized? Give it the Swiss-Prot name. Sequenced but not characterized? Look at the evidence.

Add comments to comment field

explain reasoning for others
add personal communication information
make comments about function or process

In many occasions after analyzing our data and make a decision about a gene function, we may need to go back and re-examine the gene structure.

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GENE CURATION INFORMATION

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protein length: 946
molecular wt: 107175.54
pI: 6.67

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Gene Synonyms: None
Alternative Splicing: None

(Scale shown in nucleotides.)

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gene structure curated gene annotation curated pseudogene
 5' partial 3' partial

GENE IDENTIFICATION

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product name: leucyl-tRNA synthetase product name aliases: [v]
gene symbol: [v] gene symbol aliases: [v]
ec number: [v] ec number aliases: [v]

comment:
AUTOUPDATE: Updated structure of 2699.m00121. ;

pub comment:

auto comment

GENE ONTOLOGY

submit | reset | go sug | search | [v]

delete	go id	assigned by	assign date	evidence
<input type="checkbox"/>	GO:000166 add edit (F) nucleotide binding	autoGO	11/08/04	
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EVIDENCE PICTURE

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0 100 200 300 400 500 600 700 800 900

LOC_0501g03020
TIGR000396: leucyl-tRNA synthetase
PF00133: RNA synthetases class I (I, L, M and V)
PS00178: aminoacyl-transfer RNA synthetases class-I e
Family 4066: Paralogous Domain PF00133

Use all possible resources...

Protein Data Bank of alignments and PDBs

Choline and ethanolamine phosphatase, Central domain

Structure: 1G92

Sequence: 1G92

Download: 1G92



NCBI Gene: G050880G (G050880)

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Gene structure: 1 G050880G (G050880)

Gene description: G050880G (G050880)

Gene location: G050880G (G050880)

Gene expression: G050880G (G050880)

Gene orthology: G050880G (G050880)

Gene orthology table:

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EMBL-EBI European Bioinformatics Institute

Search: Choline and ethanolamine phosphatase, Central domain

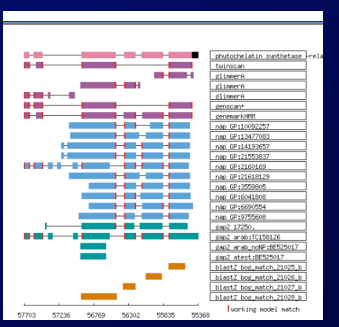
Results: 1 hit

Hit: Choline and ethanolamine phosphatase, Central domain

Accession: G050880G

Length: 800

Score: 100.0



NCBI Protein

Search: AAC50613

Results: 1 hit

Hit: AAC50613. cytosolic NAD(P)+ [gi1465733]

Accession: AAC50613

Length: 565

Source: human

Reference: Chou, M.-Y., Huang, S.-H., and Chang, G.-C. (1995) The cDNA sequence of human breast cancer cell wall enzyme is that from the novel tumor cell line. *Protein Chem.* 15 (3), 273-279 (1995)



Collage of scientific journal covers including Nature, PNAS, and Science. The covers feature various scientific illustrations and headlines.



BLAST Search for Genomes

Query: AAC50613

Database: /usr/local/db/genomes/ncra/ncra

Sequences producing High-scoring Segment Pairs:

Accession	Score	E-value	Identity
g050880g	100.0	0.00	100%
g050880g	99.9	0.00	99.9%
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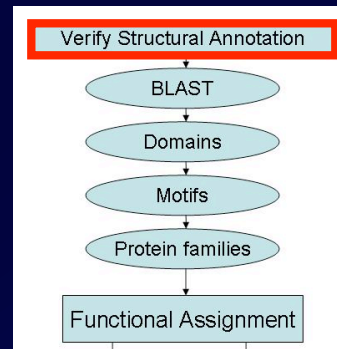
Example:-

A protein sequence from *Trypanosoma brucei*. Our task will be to annotate this protein sequence as fully as possible, given the tools at hand.

protein sequence:

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>unknown_T. brucei protein_sequence
MLRRLGVRHFRRTPLLFVGGDGSIFERY
TEIDNSNERRINALKGCGMFEDEWIATE
KVHGANFGIYSIEGEKMIRYAKRSGIMP
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Verify the gene structure



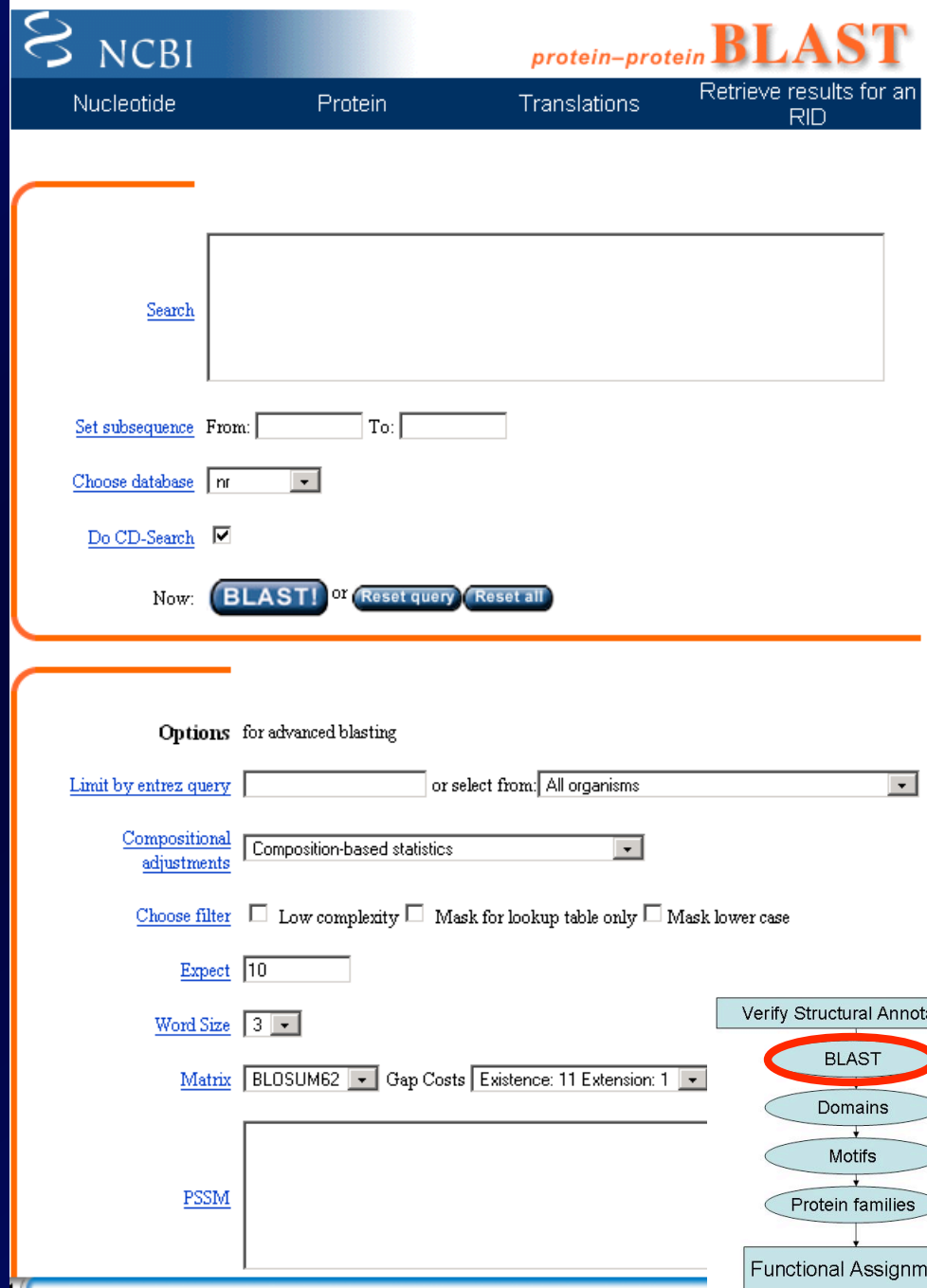
Gene

NCBI BLAST

NCBI BLAST tools at:
<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/blast/>

Program	Database	Query
BLASTN	Nucleotide	Nucleotide
BLASTP	Protein	Protein
BLASTX	Protein	Nucleotide → Protein
TBLASTN	Nucleotide → Protein	Protein
TBLASTX	Nucleotide → Protein	Nucleotide → Protein

Read → as “translated to”
 TIGR Rice Workshop



NCBI *protein-protein* **BLAST**

Nucleotide Protein Translations Retrieve results for an RID

Search

Set subsequence From: To:

Choose database

Do CD-Search

Now: **BLAST!** or

Options for advanced blasting

Limit by entrez query or select from:

Compositional adjustments

Choose filter Low complexity Mask for lookup table only Mask lower case

Expect

Word Size

Matrix Gap Costs

PSSM

Verify Structural Annotation

BLAST

Domains

Motifs

Protein families

Functional Assignment

BLAST: What makes a good alignment?

It depends on what you are trying to prove!

- minimum of 30% identity, better 40% & up
 - higher for short proteins
 - score is weighted for length
- full length match
 - at least 70% of both proteins

Example : run NCBI BLAST

BLASTP – protein against protein

Results:

The first hit in the BLASTP output, a 100% match, is to a genome project submission, which means that the entry is not

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AUTHORS      H d,N.J., Harris,B.R., Hertz-Fowler,C.,
              B d,C.S., Atkin,R.J., Barron,A.J.,
              B Bringaud,F., Clark,L.N., Corton,C.H.,
              C ct,J., Fraser,A., Gruter,E., Hall,S.,
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              Rabbinowitsch,E., Reitter,C., Rutherford,K., Sasse,J., Sharp,S.,
              Shownkeen,R., MacLeod,A., Taylor,S., Tweedie,A., Turner,C.M.,
              Tait,A., Gull,K., Barrell,B. and Melville,S.E.

TITLE        The DNA sequence of chromosome I of an African trypanosome: gene
              content, chromosome organisation, recombination and polymorphism

JOURNAL      Nucleic Acids Res. 31 (16), 4864-4873 (2003)
PUBMED       12907729
REFERENCE    2
AUTHORS      Berriman,M., Hertz-Fowler,C.V.A., Hall,N., Kerhornou,A.X.,
              Bowman,S., Quail,M., Kay,M.P., Bray-Allen,S., Lennard,N.J.,
              Clark,L.N., Harris,B.R., Melville,S., Gerrard,C., Rajandream,M.A.
              and Barrell,B.G.

TITLE        Direct Submission
JOURNAL      Submitted (20-SEP-2002) The Wellcome Trust Sanger Institute,
              Wellcome Trust Genome Campus, Hinxton, Cambridge CB10 1SA, UK

REMARK       revised by [3]
REFERENCE    3 (residues 1 to 416)
AUTHORS      Hertz-Fowler,C. and Berriman,M.
TITLE        Direct Submission
    
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Alignments

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>gi|115504417|ref|XP_001219001.1| G RNA editing ligase; RNA-editing complex protein; KREL2 [Trypanosoma
brucei]
gi|83642483|emb|CAJ16514.1| G RNA editing ligase; RNA-editing complex protein; KREL2 [Trypanosoma
brucei]
Length=416

Score = 860 bits (2222), Expect = 0.0, Method: Composition-based stats.
Identities = 416/416 (100%), Positives = 416/416 (100%), Gaps = 0/416 (0%)

Query 1      MLRRLGVRHFRTPLLFVGGDGSIFERYTEIDNSNERRINALKGCGMFEDEWIATEKVHG 60
              MLRRLGVRHFRTPLLFVGGDGSIFERYTEIDNSNERRINALKGCGMFEDEWIATEKVHG
Sbjct 1      MLRRLGVRHFRTPLLFVGGDGSIFERYTEIDNSNERRINALKGCGMFEDEWIATEKVHG 60

Query 61     ANFGIYSIEGKEMIRYAKRSGIMPNEHFFGYHILPELQRYITSIREMLCEKQKKLHV 120
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              MRNVRDSIN 300
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              MRNVRDSIN 300
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              ITPDQLATLL 360
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              SPDFSE
              SPDFSE 416

              mitochondrial precursor (RNA ligase) [partial]

              based stats.
              0/416 (0%)

              EWIATEKVHG 60
              EWIATEKVHG
              EWIATEKVHG 60
              CEKQKKLHV 120
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              CEKQKKLHV 120
              YAFDIKYKET 180
    
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Example : navigating BLAST output

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>gi|47117107|sp|P82864|TB48 TRYBB RNA editing ligase TbMP48, mitochondrial r  
gi|11067025|gb|AAG27063.1| RNA ligase MP48 [Trypanosoma brucei]  
Length=416
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Score = 856 bits (2212), Expect = 0.0, Method: Composition-based stats.  
Identities = 413/416 (99%), Positives = 414/416 (99%), Gaps = 0/416 (0%)
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The second hit in the BLAST output, a 99% match, is to a Swiss-Prot entry.

The alignment reveals three positions with variations:

I103V (very similar, both hydrophobic)
conservative

D182G (negative, hydrophilic to tiny polar) non-conservative

V364A (nonpolar, aliphatic, hydrophobic to tiny, nonpolar, aliphatic)
conservative

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Query 1 MLRRLGVRHFRRTPLLFVGGDGSIFERYTEIDNSNERRINALKGCGMFEDEWIATEKVHG 60  
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See Glossary entry for SNP

Swiss-Prot

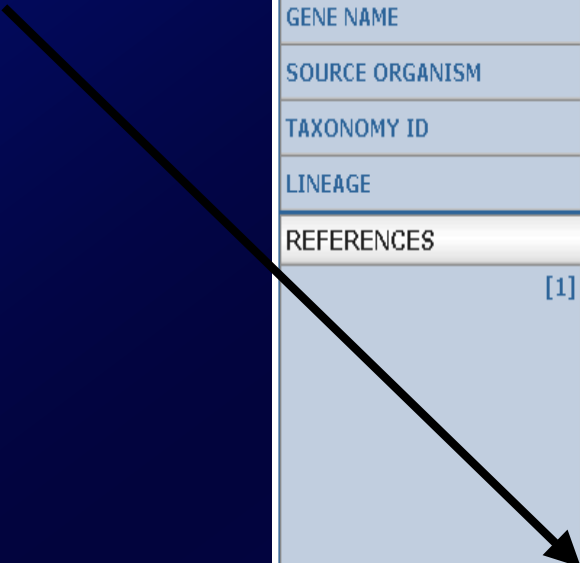
Our sequence is 99% identical to the sequence of this Swiss-Prot entry.

Another name for this protein in the literature is 'REL2.'

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ACCESSION NUMBER	P82864
Integrated into Swiss-Prot on	2004-05-10
Sequence was last modified on	2001-03-01 (Sequence version 1)
Annotations were last modified on	2006-10-31 (Entry version 24)
NAME AND ORIGIN OF THE PROTEIN	
PROTEIN NAME	RNA-editing ligase TbMP48, mitochondrial precursor
Synonyms	EC 6.5.1.3 RNA ligase
GENE NAME	MP48
SOURCE ORGANISM	Trypanosoma brucei brucei
TAXONOMY ID	5702 [NCBI , NEWT]
LINEAGE	Eukaryota; Euglenozoa; Kinetoplastida; Trypanosomatidae; Trypanosoma
REFERENCES	
[1]	Panigrahi AK; Gygi SP; Ernst NL; Igo RP Jr; Palazzo SS; Schnauffer A et al. View all. Association of two novel proteins TbMP52 and TbMP48 with the Trypanosoma brucei RNA editing complex. 2001, <i>Mol. Cell. Biol.</i>, 21, 380-389. <i>Position</i>: NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE [GENOMIC DNA], PROTEIN SEQUENCE OF 18-37; 58-72; 118-139; 143-151; 200-207; 217-224; 255-263; 302-323; 336-340; 371-384 AND 410-416, FUNCTION, AND SUBCELLULAR LOCATION. PubMed: 11134327; Medline: 20576857.
COMMENTS	
FUNCTION	Part of the RNA editing complex essential for cell variability. RNA editing in kinetoplastid mitochondria inserts and deletes uridylates at multiple sites in pre-mRNAs as directed by guide RNAs.
CATALYTIC ACTIVITY	ATP + (ribonucleotide)(n) + (ribonucleotide)(m) = AMP + diphosphate + (ribonucleotide)(n+m).
SUBCELLULAR LOCATION	Mitochondrion.

Swiss-Prot

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Synonyms	EC 6.5.1.3 RNA ligase
GENE NAME	MP48
SOURCE ORGANISM	Trypanosoma brucei brucei
TAXONOMY ID	5702 [NCBI , NEWT]
LINEAGE	Eukaryota; Euglenozoa; Kinetoplastida; Trypanosomatidae; Trypanosoma
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SUBCELLULAR LOCATION	Mitochondrion.

Pubmed

- Read abstract
- If promising, read paper to be sure protein is characterized
- If characterized, it is good evidence for naming our sequence

1: [Mol Cell Biol.](#) 2001 Jan; 21(2):380-9.



Association of two novel proteins, TbMP52 and TbMP48, with the Trypanosoma brucei RNA editing complex.

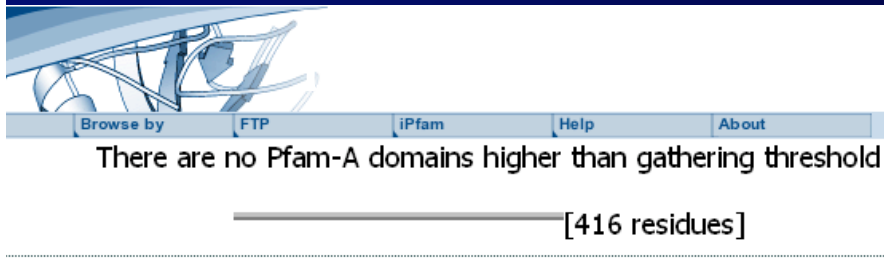
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Seattle Biomedical Research Institute, Seattle, Washington 98109, USA.

RNA editing in kinetoplastid mitochondria inserts and deletes uridylates at multiple sites in pre-mRNAs as directed by guide RNAs. This occurs by a series of steps that are catalyzed by endoribonuclease, 3'-terminal uridylyl transferase, 3'-exouridylylase, and RNA ligase activities. A multiprotein complex that contains these activities and catalyzes deletion editing in vitro was enriched from *Trypanosoma brucei* mitochondria by sequential ion-exchange and gel filtration chromatography, followed by glycerol gradient sedimentation. The complex size is approximately 1,600 kDa, and the purified fraction contains 20 major polypeptides. A monoclonal antibody that was generated against the enriched complex reacts with an approximately 49-kDa protein and specifically immunoprecipitates in vitro deletion RNA editing activity. The protein recognized by the antibody was identified by mass spectrometry, and the corresponding gene, designated TbMP52, was cloned. Recombinant TbMP52 reacts with the monoclonal antibody. Another novel protein, TbMP48, which is similar to TbMP52, and its gene were also identified in the enriched complex. These results suggest that TbMP52 and TbMP48 are components of the RNA editing complex.

PMID: 11134327 [PubMed - indexed for MEDLINE]

Domains (HMMs) TIGRFAMs search



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 Trusted cutoff: 100.0
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 Noise cutoff: -165.0

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hmmpfam - search a single seq against HMM database
HMMER 2.1.1 (Dec 1998)
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HMMER is freely distributed under the GNU General Public License (GPL).
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HMM file:                ALL_LIB_bin.HMM
Sequence file:           hmmpfam-search-14395-1172255172.in
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Query:  unknown_T.  brucei protein_sequence

Scores for sequence family classification (score includes all domains):
Model      Description                                     Score      E-value     N
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TIGR02307  RNA_lig_RNL2: RNA ligase, Rnl2 family             923.1      7.7e-274    1

Parsed for domains:
Model      Domain  seq-f  seq-t    hmm-f  hmm-t    score  E-value
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TIGR02307  1/1     25    408    ..     1    421 []  923.1  7.7e-274

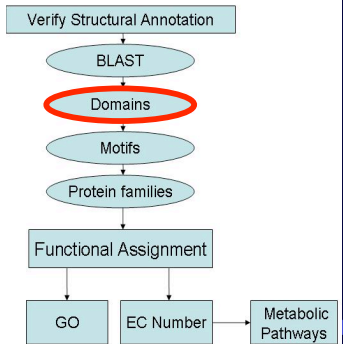
Alignments of top-scoring domains:
TIGR02307: domain 1 of 1, from 25 to 408: score 923.1, E = 7.7e-274
      *->FkkYTsleNssyririfaeKltgllglrGGEWVALEKiHGaNFSiivee
unknown_T.  25      FERYTEIDNSNERRINALKGCGMFED--EWIATEKVHGANFGIYSIE 69

      dPNEAqDGAekkVtfaKRtGiidPnEdGDYDFFGYhiliieeytakvkaIs
      +          EK++++AKR+Gi+++PnE+   FFGYhili+e++++++i+
unknown_T.  70      G-----EKMIRYAKRSGIMPNEH----FFGYHILIPELQRVITSIR 107

      dlLkekaGvikklesvivyGELaGkgyqkpvvPKsrKvtvlanKkRiISG
      ++L+ek+  +kk1++v+++GEL+G++y++p+vPK+rKtv++a+K+r+IS
unknown_T.  108     EMLCEKQ--KKKLHVVLINGELFGGKYDHPSPKTRKTRVMVAGKPRITIS- 154

      vevQsdsFPQYsPDkdFyAFDIkyketGeeeddvTlvyDevlEvfervpk
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unknown_T.  155     -AVQTDSPFPQYSPDLHFYAFDIKYKET-EDGDYTTLVYDEAIELFQRVPG 202

      lkyAkelvRGtldEllaFDNDLDSVVqvenFvtdlPaLVdlnyplLNAEA
      l+yA++++RG+++++afD          ve+Fvt++P+LV++gnypl
unknown_T.  203     LLYARAVIRGPMskVAafd-----VERFVTTIPPLVGMGNyPL---- 240
    
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This is a very positive hit to the RNA ligase RNL2 family domain (TIGR02307).

Verify HMM

Total score: 923.1
 Trusted cutoff: 100.0
 Gathering cutoff: 100.0
 Noise cutoff: -165.0

Score is well above the trusted cutoff.

► **TIGR02307: RNA ligase, Rnl2 family** (View Sanger Pfam) gene_sym: none ec#: 6.5.1.3 role_id: 152, 166

Isology: **equivalog**

Total score: 923.1 Trusted cutoff: 100.00 Gathering cutoff: 100.00 Noise cutoff: -165.00 Total expect: 1.3e-274

Trusted cutoff2: -165.00 Gathering cutoff2: Noise cutoff2: 100.00

View Alignment	Coords	HMM Coords	Score	Expect	Curation	[Add To GO Evidence]
► align page	670354-671505	1-421 / 421	923.1	1.3e-274	<input type="checkbox"/>	

► No HMM-GO Suggestions To Display.

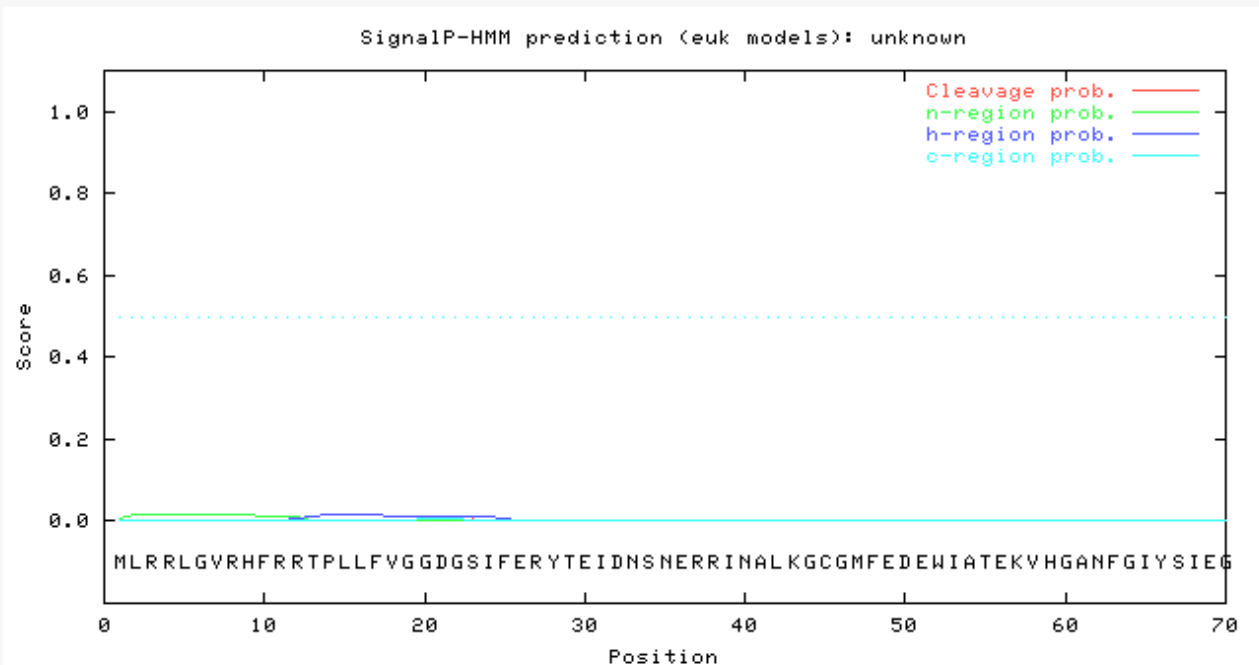
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(5x422)
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SPIP322771Y10A_BPT4 2 334 --KVTCAKRTGPILPAED----FFGYEIILKNYADSIKAVQDINETS-----VVSYQVFGEFAGPGIQKNVD-----YC-DKDFYVFDIIVTTE---
    
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Our sequence contains an RNA ligase, Rnl2 family domain, with a very strong match. Members of this TIGRfam family ligate RNA.

Non-secretory protein

SignalP-HMM result:



data

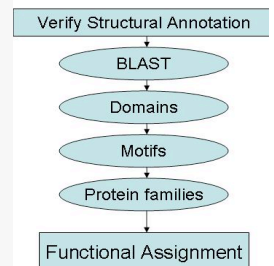
>unknown

Prediction: Non-secretory protein

Signal peptide probability: 0.008

Signal anchor probability: 0.009

Max cleavage site probability: 0.006 between pos. 22 and 23



See Glossary entry for Signal Peptide

TargetP

The sequence contains a mitochondrial targeting peptide, mTP.

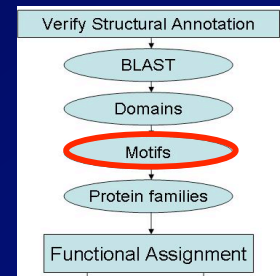


TargetP 1.1 Server - prediction results

Technical University of Denmark

```
### targetp v1.1 prediction results #####  
Number of query sequences: 1  
Cleavage site predictions not included.  
Using NON-PLANT networks.
```

Name	Len	mTP	SP	other	Loc	RC
unknown_Tb_seq	416	0.728	0.070	0.209	M	3
cutoff		0.000	0.000	0.000		



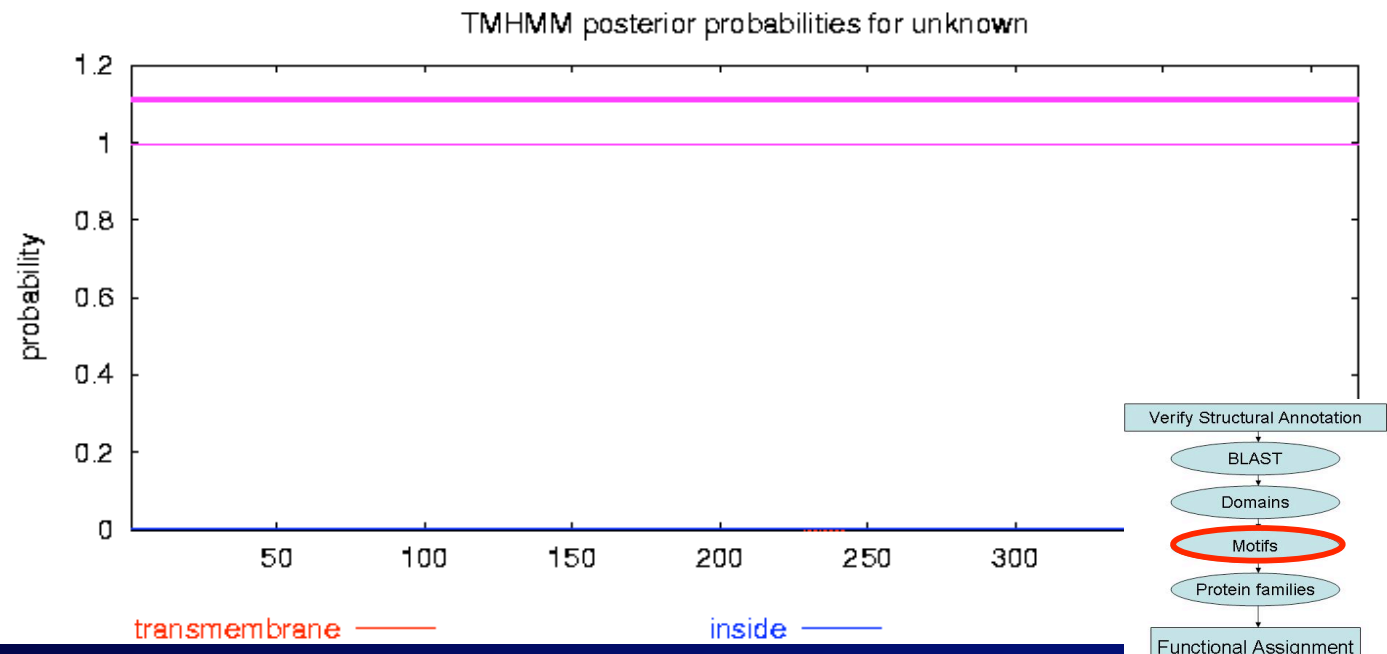
Transmembrane domains

There are no transmembrane domains.

TMHMM result

[HELP](#) with output formats

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# unknown Length: 416
# unknown Number of predicted TMHs: 0
# unknown Exp number of AAs in TMHs: 0.00491
# unknown Exp number, first 60 AAs: 0.00077
# unknown Total prob of N-in: 0.00474
unknown TMHMM2.0      outside      1      416
```



Annotation of Example Protein

BLAST: A protein match at Swiss-Prot is 99% identical, with 2 conservative and one non-conservative amino acid substitutions. “RNA-editing ligase TbMP48, mitochondrial precursor” is the Swiss-Prot name for this close protein match.

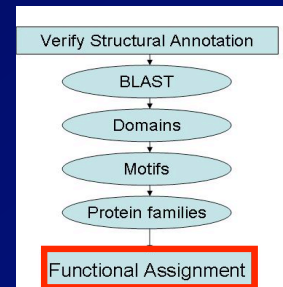
This mitochondrial precursor of an RNA ligase was identified as a member of a multi-protein complex that catalyzes deletion editing in vitro. It was isolated from an enriched sample of *Trypanosoma brucei* mitochondria by sequential ion-exchange and gel filtration chromatography, followed by glycerol gradient sedimentation. The protein was not functionally characterized, but was identified as a member of an RNA-editing complex. The complex was shown to have RNA-editing function. (PMID:11134327)

Domain: Our sequence contains an RNA ligase, Rnl2 family TIGRFAMs domain, with a very strong match. Members of this TIGRfam family ligate (seal breaks in) RNA.

Signal sequence: none

Targeting Sequence: It contains a mitochondrial targeting sequence.

Under the standards of this annotation project, “RNA-editing ligase TbMP48, mitochondrial precursor,” is a suitable name.



Evidence from homology searching

Compare sequences of unknown function to those of known function.

Shared sequence identity may imply shared function:-

- Full-length match with significant identity (>30%)
- Domains and motifs
- Binding sites
- Catalytic sites

But :

- there are occurrences where one amino acid substitution changes the function of an enzyme.
- synonymous or “silent” codon substitutions may result in functional differences.
- Mutations may result in modification or deletion of function.
- all functional assignments made by similarity should be considered tentative until confirmed by experiment.

Transitive annotation

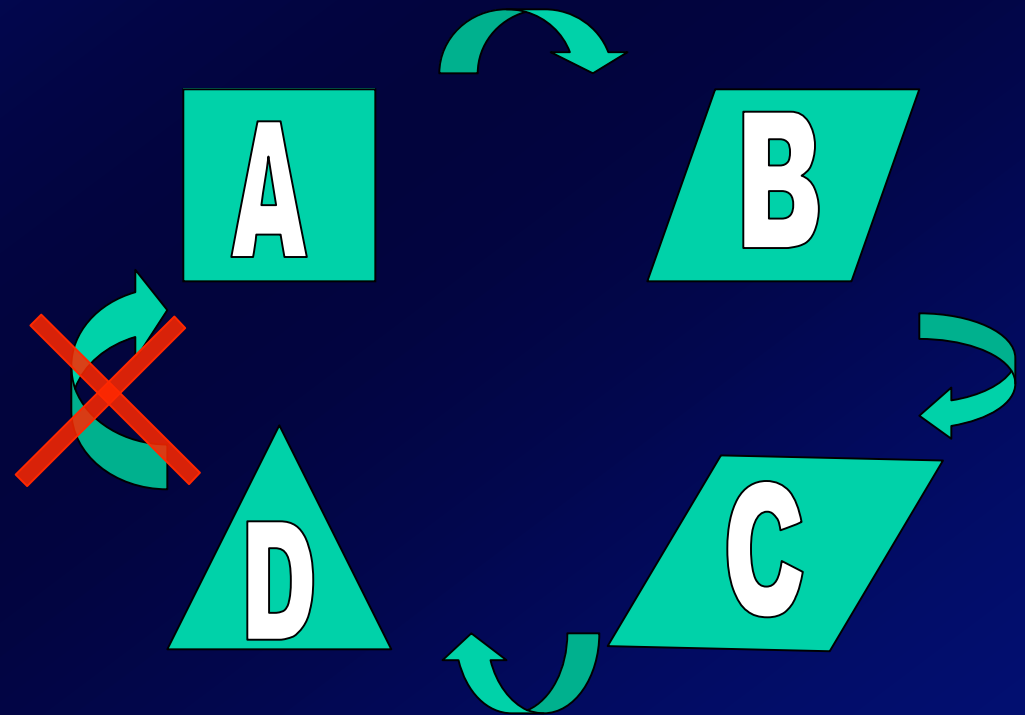
Beware!

A is like B

B is like C

C is like D

D is NOT like A!



Take a conservative approach. Err on the side of missing homology rather than stretching weak data.

Gene Ontology

GO is...

- ❖ a method used to structure biological knowledge using a dynamic controlled vocabulary across organisms.
- ❖ a database containing a shared vocabulary of descriptive terms for the description of the molecular function, biological process and cellular component of gene products.
- ❖ The Gene Ontology Consortium™ is a collaboration among model genome organism databases.

Topics

- Reasons GO has been developed
- Nuts and bolts of GO
- Tools
- Searching GO
- Assigning terms
- GO Slims

The Basics

- GO is a controlled vocabulary
- GO has three aspects, or ontologies:
 - Molecular function
 - Biological process
 - Cellular component
- The 3 aspects refer to genes and gene products

The specificity of GO

There is a limit to how much information can be contained in the name of a protein. For example:

“translation initiation factor 2 subunit”

GO terms assigned to this tell much more:

GO:0003743 (MF) translation initiation factor activity

GO:0005525 (MF) GTP binding

GO:0006413 (BP) translational initiation

GO:0005851 (CC) eukaryotic translation initiation factor 2B complex

The Gene Ontology is like a dictionary



Each
concept has:

- a name
- a definition
- an ID number

term: transcription initiation

id: GO:0006352

definition: Processes involved in the assembly of the RNA polymerase complex at the promoter region of a DNA template resulting in the subsequent synthesis of RNA from that promoter.

GO terms

- A GO term, or ID, is attached to every function, process or component
- There are relationships between them
- Relationships are shown by a graph
 - Directed acyclic graph
 - Sometimes called a “tree”

GO Tools

GO tools are available at the GO Consortium:

<http://www.geneontology.org/GO.tools.shtml>

Developed and maintained by GO:

AmiGO - Searching through terms and annotations

OBO-Edit - Editing and viewing the DAG

Many others developed independently, for:

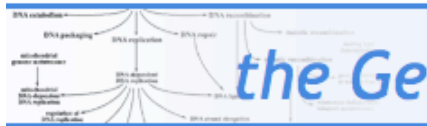
Annotation

Gene expression/microarray data

GO Slims

AmiGO

The GO Browser



the Gene Ontology

AmiGO

- Search
- Advanced Search
- BLAST search
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- Help

AmiGO

Search, browse and visualize Gene Ontology data

Search the Gene Ontology database

- GO terms
- gene symbols or names
- exact match

Submit



Filter results

Filter by ontology
Ontology

- All
- Biological Process
- Cellular Component
- Molecular Function

Filter Gene Product Counts
Data source

- All
- CGD
- dictyBase
- FlyBase

Set filters

Remove all filters

all : all [184843]

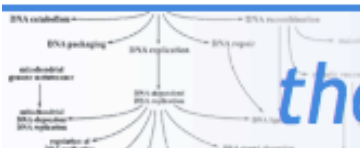
- GO:0008150 : biological_process [139437]
- GO:0005575 : cellular_component [122434]
- GO:0003674 : molecular_function [137219]

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GO:0032502 : developmental process [16502]

GO:0043062 : extracellular structure organization and biogenesis [313]

GO:0040007 : growth [3428]

GO:0042592 : homeostatic process [1533]

GO:0051179 : localization [20043]

GO:0040011 : locomotion [458]

GO:0051235 : maintenance of localization [200]

GO:0008152 : metabolic process [53763]

GO:0051704 : multi-organism process [1640]

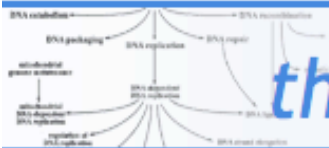
GO:0002504 : multicellular organismal process [50501]

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[-] **GO:0032502 : developmental process [16502]**

[+] GO:0009838 : abscission [6]

[+] GO:0007571 : age-dependent general metabolic decline [9]

[+] GO:0007568 : aging [435]

[+] GO:0048856 : anatomical structure development [10162]

[+] GO:0048646 : anatomical structure formation [860]

[+] GO:0009653 : anatomical structure morphogenesis [5807]

[+] GO:0048869 : cellular developmental process [6253]

[+] GO:0016265 : death [2387]

[+] GO:0048580 : developmental growth [2161]

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GO information to include

Independent of interface, add:

GO ID

Evidence code

Reference

Qualifier

The date is an important part of the annotation .

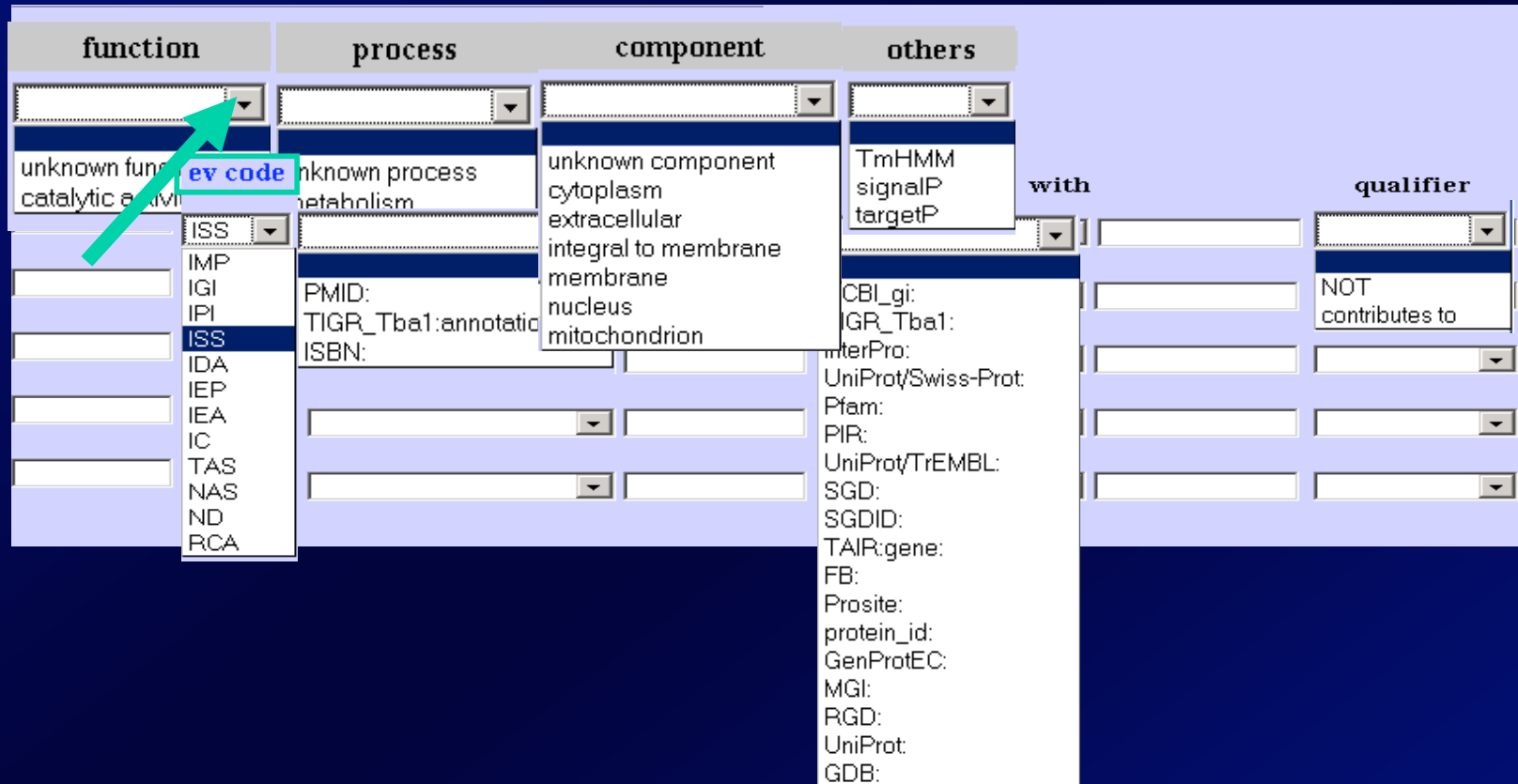
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Filling in the GO information

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Assigning a GO term

- 1) Read the literature, not just the abstract
- 2) Search for GO terms
- 3) Record the data

GO Annotations based on similarity

- Sequence or structure
 - Similarity to GO-annotated gene products
- Domains
- EC numbers
- Pathways
- Protein families

and many more...

<http://www.geneontology.org/GO.indices.shtml>

Annotating by similarity

use the evidence code ‘ISS’—inferred from sequence or structural similarity.

enter the database ID of the entity used to infer similarity in the ‘With’ field.

IEA: Inferred from Electronic Annotation

IEA is used when no curator has checked the annotation to verify its accuracy.

Use when an annotation:

- is based on "hits" in sequence similarity searches, if they have not been reviewed by curators
- is transferred from database records, if not reviewed by curators
- that depend directly on computation or automated transfer of annotations from a database.
 - The actual method used (BLAST search, SwissProt keyword mapping, etc.) doesn't matter.
 - If the method is match-based, a valid database ID *must* be entered in the with column.

GO Slim

- cut-down versions of the ontologies
- useful summary of GO annotation
- versions of GO Slims available
 - Eukaryotic GO slim
 - Plant GO slim
 - Yeast GO slim

Points to remember

- GO enables querying across annotations
- The GO Consortium website has documentation and lists available tools
- AmiGO is available online and as downloadable resource
- GO Slims summarize your annotation
- GO annotations are worth the trouble—they enhance the value of research

MANATEE-

- Navigation, inspection & curation of gene products
 - Gene/Gene products
 - GO Assignments
- Available at:
 - <http://manatee.sourceforge.net>

GENE CURATION INFORMATION

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Model: 00742.m00032
Pub Locus: A1195020
View BLAST Searches
asmbl_id: 00742

Status: NOT CURATED
emd/asm3: 19409 / 14052
gene length: 4558
protein length: 868
mol. wt.: 90044.99
pI: 5.28

database: jstht
feat_name:focus: 1
New Gene

Select Function
Reload Page

Gene Synonyms: None
Intron/Exon/UTR structure:

GENE IDENTIFICATION

Gene Name: Lipoygenase (L0K1)
Gene Symbol: L0K1
EC Number: 1.13.11.12

pub_comment: Identical to SP1Q06327; supported by cDNA: gi_289202.gb_L04637.1_ATHLIP0XV

auto_casement

GENE ONTOLOGY

delete GO ID
GO:0006302 add edit (P) defense response assigned by: crnning 08/28/02 evidence: TAS PMID:7506426
GO:0009611 add edit (P) response to wounding crnning 08/28/02 evidence: TAS PMID:7506426

EVIDENCE PICTURE

signalP:SP-HIT
HLG0520
IP000907 / PF00305: Lipoygenase
IP0001024 / PF01477: Lipoygenase, region 2
PS00711: Lipoygenases iron-binding region signature
IP000907 / PF00081: Lipoygenase
IP000907 / PF00087: Lipoygenase
IP0001246 / PF00460: Plant Lipoygenase
Family 509: Paralogous domain IP01477
Family 509: Paralogous domain PF00305

HMM

PF00305: Lipoygenase
Total score: 1653.5 Trusted cutoff: -119.20 Noise cutoff: -354.70 Total expect: 0

View Alignment	Coords	HMM Coords	Score	Expect	Curation
align page	171-843	1-678 / 678	1653.5	0	m

No HMM - GO Suggestions To Display.

PF01577: PLATLH2 domain
Total score: 133.2 Trusted cutoff: 34.20 Noise cutoff: 23.20 Total expect: 4.8e-36

View Alignment	Coords	HMM Coords	Score	Expect	Curation
align page	54-109	1-129 / 129	133.2	4.8e-36	m

No HMM - GO Suggestions To Display.

PROSITE

PS00081: Lipoygenases iron-binding region signature 2.
Match sequence: LHPVTKLLEPH

Coords	Precision	Recall	Curation
541/551	1.00	0.97	m

PS00711: Lipoygenases iron-binding region signature 1.
Match sequence: HGLISHRMQTHASIE

Coords	Precision	Recall	Curation
514/520	1.00	0.94	m

SIGNAL_P

SignalP-2.0 Results: [Graphical Display](#) [Raw output for SP-HMM/TH](#)
SignalP-2.0 HMM

Prediction: Non-secretory protein Curated

Signal peptide probability: 0.000
Signal anchor probability: 0.000
Max cleavage site probability: 0.000

BLAST SKIM

View BLAST Searches
View BLAST Searches
(search date: Wed Oct 3 11:17:49 2002)

Accession	%Sim	Length	Description	P-value
SP:Q06327	100.0	858	Lipoygenase 1 (EC 1.13.11.12) [Mouse-ear crex]	0.0
GP:1630662	84.6	850	bacterial-induced lipoygenase (Gossypium hirsut)	0.0
GP:16304543	86.3	843	lipoygenase (Corylus avellana)	0.0
GP:9649064	83.4	861	lipoygenase (Prunus dulcis)	0.0
GP:1729545	83.2	861	lipoygenase (Prunus dulcis)	0.0
EGAD:134735	83.2	850	lipoygenase (Solanum tuberosum)	0.0
EGAD:134727	82.8	861	lipoygenase (Nicotiana glauca)	0.0
GP:765283	81.9	855	linoleate oxygen oxidoreductase, lipoygenase, L	0.0
EGAD:134734	81.8	859	lipoygenase (Solanum tuberosum)	0.0
GP:18764845	82.1	860	lipoygenase (Lycopersicon esculentum)	0.0