




**8th Advanced in silico Drug Design workshop
2025**

High-throughput Molecular Dynamics Workshop

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Structure Summary 3D View Annotations Experiment Sequence Genome Ligands Versions

Biological Assembly 1



3D View: Structure | 1D-3D View | Electron Density | Validation Report | Ligand Interaction

Global Symmetry: Asymmetric - C1
Global Stoichiometry: Monomer - A1

Find Similar Assemblies

1KE7

CYCLIN-DEPENDENT KINASE 2 (CDK2) COMPLEXED WITH 3-[[[(2,2-DIOXIDO-1,3-DIHYDRO-2-BENZOTHIEN-5-YL)AMINO]METHYLENE]-5-(1,3-OXAZOL-5-YL)-1,3-DIHYDRO-2H-INDOL-2-ONE

PDB DOI: 10.2210/pdb1KE7/pdb

Classification: TRANSFERASE

Organism(s): Homo sapiens

Expression System: Spodoptera frugiperda

Mutation(s): No

Deposited: 2001-11-14 Released: 2002-05-14

Deposition Author(s): Bramson, H.N., Corona, J., Davis, S.T., Dickerson, S.H., Edelstein, M., Frye, S.V., Gampe, R.T., Hassell, A.H., Shewchuk, L.M., Kuyper, L.F.

Experimental Data Snapshot

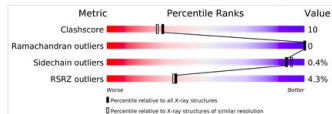
Method: X-RAY DIFFRACTION

Resolution: 2.00 Å

R-Value Free: 0.235

R-Value Work: 0.191

wwPDB Validation



Macromolecules

Find similar proteins by: Sequence (by identity cutoff) | 3D Structure

Entity ID: 1

Molecule	Chains	Sequence Length	Organism	Details	Image
Cell division protein kinase 2	A	298	Homo sapiens	Mutation(s): 0 Gene Names: CDK2 , CDK N2 EC: 2.7.1.37 (PDB Primary Data), 2.7.11.22 (UniProt)	

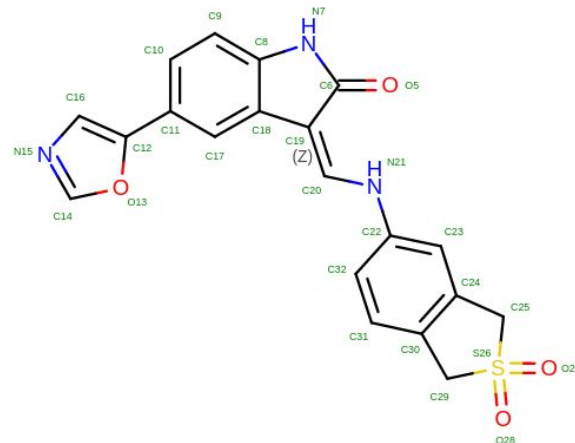
UniProt & NIH Common Fund Data Resources

Find proteins for [P24941](#) (*Homo sapiens*)

Explore [P24941](#)


Go to UniProtKB: [P24941](#)

1KE7: Ligand LS3



Small Molecules

Ligands (1 Unique)

ID	Chains	Name / Formula / InChI Key	2D Diagram	3D Interactions
LS3	B [auth A]	3-[[[(2,2-DIOXIDO-1,3-DIHYDRO-2-BENZOTHIEN-5-YL)AMINO]METHYLENE]-5-(1,3-OXAZOL-5-YL)-1,3-DIHYDRO-2H-INDOL-2-ONE C ₂₉ H ₁₅ N ₃ O ₄ S		Ligand Interaction

Download Ideal Coordinates CCD File | Download Instance Coordinates

Binding Affinity Annotations

ID	Source	Binding Affinity
LS3	BindingDB: 1KE7	IC50: 8.9 (nM) from 1 assay(s)
	Binding MOAD: 1KE7	IC50: 8.9 (nM) from 1 assay(s)
	PDBbind: 1KE7	IC50: 8.9 (nM) from 1 assay(s)

Run MD simulation (100 ps):

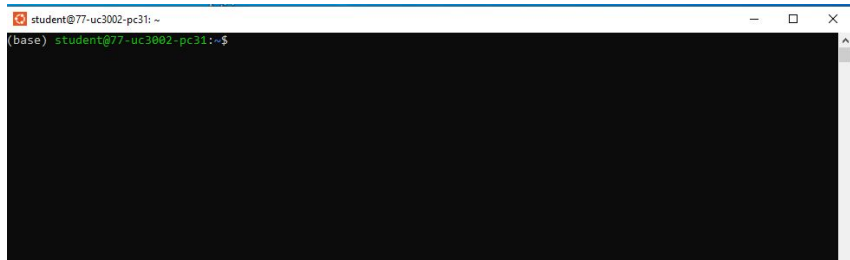
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`mkdir 8add`

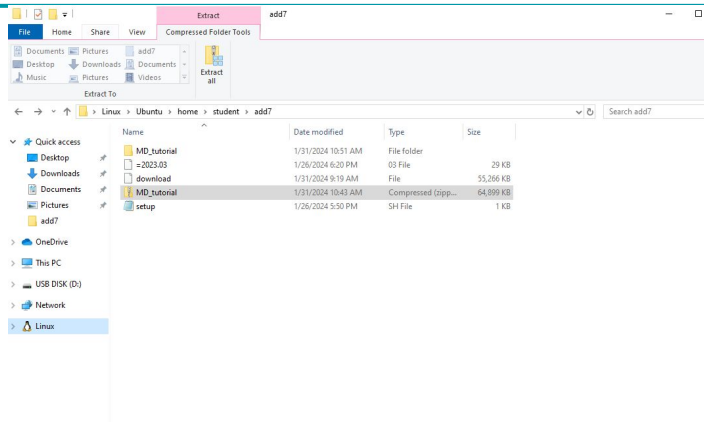
`unzip manually under Ubuntu/home/student/8add directory`

`cd 8add/MD_tutorial/`

`conda activate md`



```
student@77-uc3002-pc31: ~  
(base) student@77-uc3002-pc31:~$
```





Run MD simulation (100 ps):

```
run_md -p protein_H_HIS.pdb -l ligand.mol --md_time 0.1 --nvt_time 10 --npt_time 10 --ncpu 8 -d mdrun --device gpu
```

```
student@77-uc3002-pc31: ~/add7/MD_tutorial/files
```

```
(base) student@77-uc3002-pc31:~$ cd add7/MD_tutorial/files/
```

```
(base) student@77-uc3002-pc31:~/add7/MD_tutorial/files$ conda activate md
```

```
WARNING: No ICDs were found. Either,
```

```
- Install a conda package providing a OpenCL implementation (pocl, oclgrind, intel-compute-runtime, beignet) or
```

```
(md) student@77-uc3002-pc31:~/add7/MD_tutorial/files$ run_md -p protein_HIS.pdb -l ligand.mol --md_time 0.1 --nvt_time 10 --npt_time 10 --ncpu 8 -d mdrun
```

```
2024-01-31 09:39:22,455 - distributed.comm.tcp - ERROR - Could not set timeout on TCP stream
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "/home/student/miniconda3/envs/md/lib/python3.9/site-packages/distributed/comm/tcp.py", line 100, in _start
    sock.setsockopt(socket.SOL_TCP, TCP_USER_TIMEOUT, timeout * 1000)
OSError: [Errno 92] Protocol not available
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  File "/home/student/miniconda3/envs/md/lib/python3.9/site-packages/distributed/comm/tcp.py", line 100, in _start
    sock.setsockopt(socket.SOL_TCP, TCP_USER_TIMEOUT, timeout * 1000)
OSError: [Errno 92] Protocol not available
2024-01-31 09:39:22,480 - distributed.comm.tcp - ERROR - Could not set timeout on TCP stream
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "/home/student/miniconda3/envs/md/lib/python3.9/site-packages/distributed/comm/tcp.py", line 100, in _start
    sock.setsockopt(socket.SOL_TCP, TCP_USER_TIMEOUT, timeout * 1000)
OSError: [Errno 92] Protocol not available
2024-01-31 09:39:22,495 - distributed.core - INFO - Connection to tcp://127.0.0.1:55555 was successful
2024-01-31 09:39:22 - root - INFO: Analysis of md simulation of 1 were successful
Finished: ['/home/student/add7/MD_tutorial/MD_tutorial/mdrun/md_files/md_run/protein_HIS.pdb',
('/home/student/add7/MD_tutorial/MD_tutorial/mdrun/md_files/md_run/ligand.mol')]
(md) student@77-uc3002-pc31:~/add7/MD_tutorial/MD_tutorial$
(md) student@77-uc3002-pc31:~/add7/MD_tutorial/MD_tutorial$
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Linux > Ubuntu > home > student > add7 > MD_tutorial > files > mdrun

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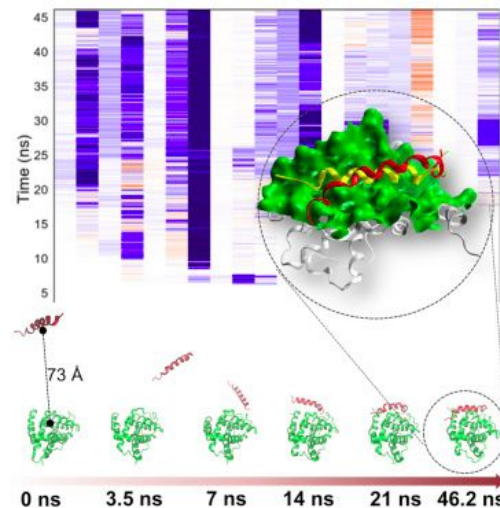
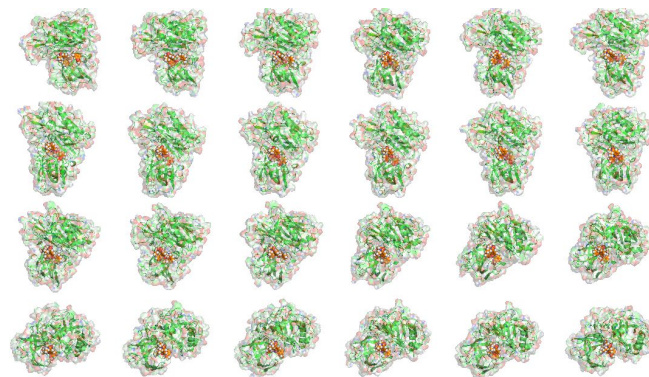
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Molecular dynamics

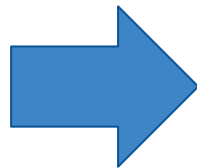
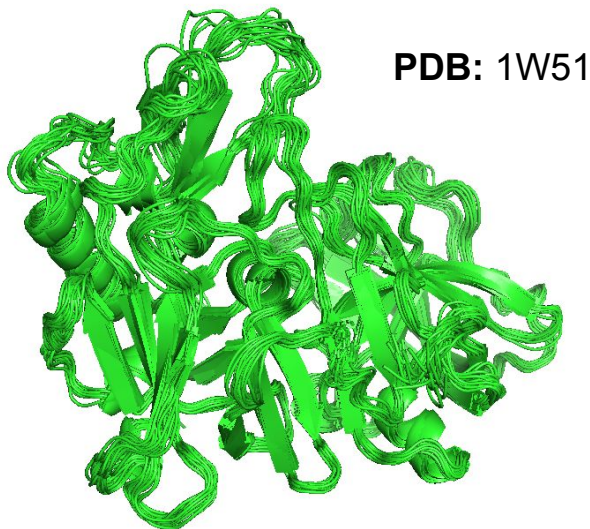
1. MD simulations **mimic the physical motions of atoms present in the actual environment;**
 2. The atoms and molecules are allowed to interact for a fixed period of time, giving **a view of the dynamic "evolution" of the system.**
- to explore conformational space
 - to explore biological process of molecular recognition
 - to investigate ligand pose stability
 - to explore protein flexibility
 - to estimate binding affinity of protein-ligand (protein-protein) complexes



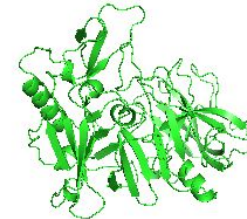
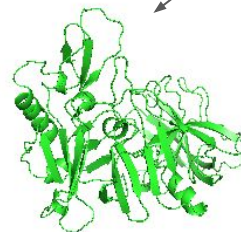
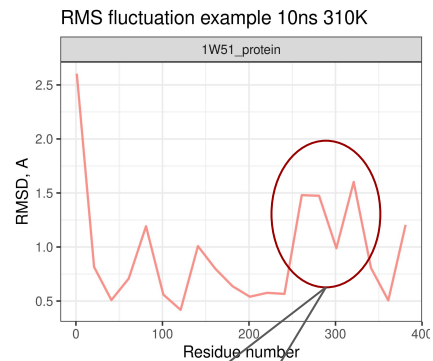
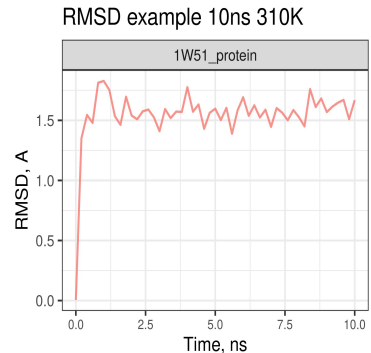
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.str.2017.02.009>

What can be done by MD

- To explore different conformations of protein
 - To investigate internal-flexibility of protein
 - For practical use we select conformations from the most populated clusters of all conformations



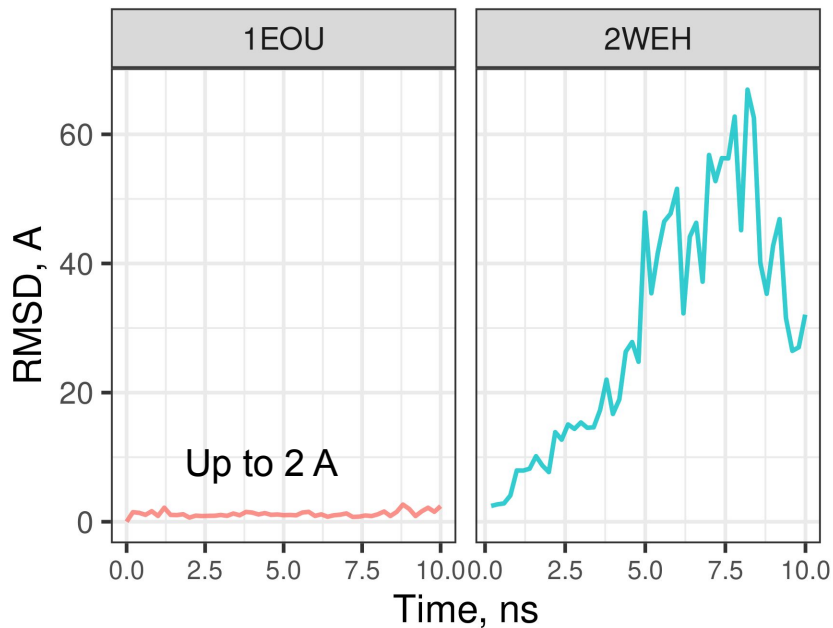
Conformation can be used:
- for further molecular docking study



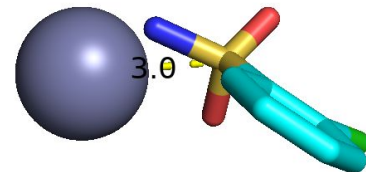
What can be done by MD

- To explore stability of ligand pose

RMSD example 10ns 310K

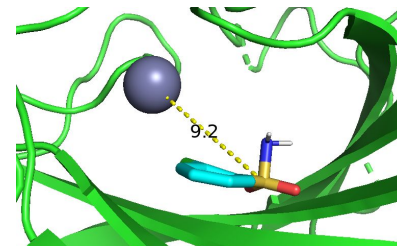


Example of incorrect protonation and pose:

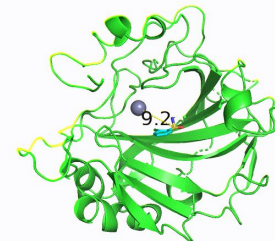


x-ray

PDB: 2WEH



docking

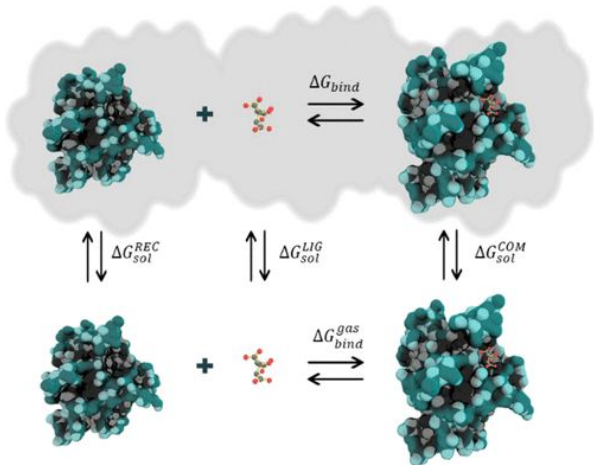


Carbonic Anhydrase

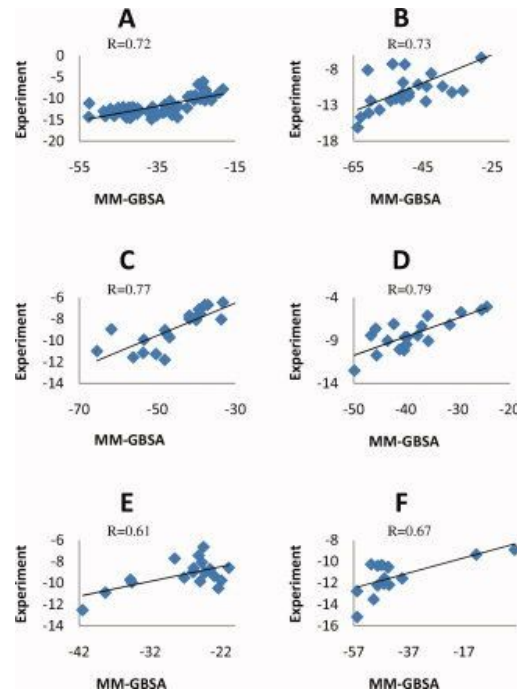
MD 10ns.
Ligand goes out of the site

What can be done by MD

- to estimate binding affinity of protein-ligand complexes



Correlation between **MM-GBSA** predicted and experimental binding free energy.



Yang T, Wu JC, Yan C, Wang Y, Luo R, Gonzales MB, Dalby KN, Ren P. Virtual screening using molecular simulations. *Proteins*. 2011 Jun;79(6):1940-51. doi: 10.1002/prot.23018. Epub 2011 Apr 12. PMID: 21491494; PMCID: PMC3092865.

Valdés-Tresanco, M.S., Valdés-Tresanco, M.E., Valiente, P.A. and Moreno E. **gmx_MMPBSA: A New Tool to Perform End-State Free Energy Calculations with GROMACS**. *Journal of Chemical Theory and Computation*, 2021 17 (10), 6281-6291. <https://pubs.acs.org/doi/10.1021/acs.jctc.1c00645>.

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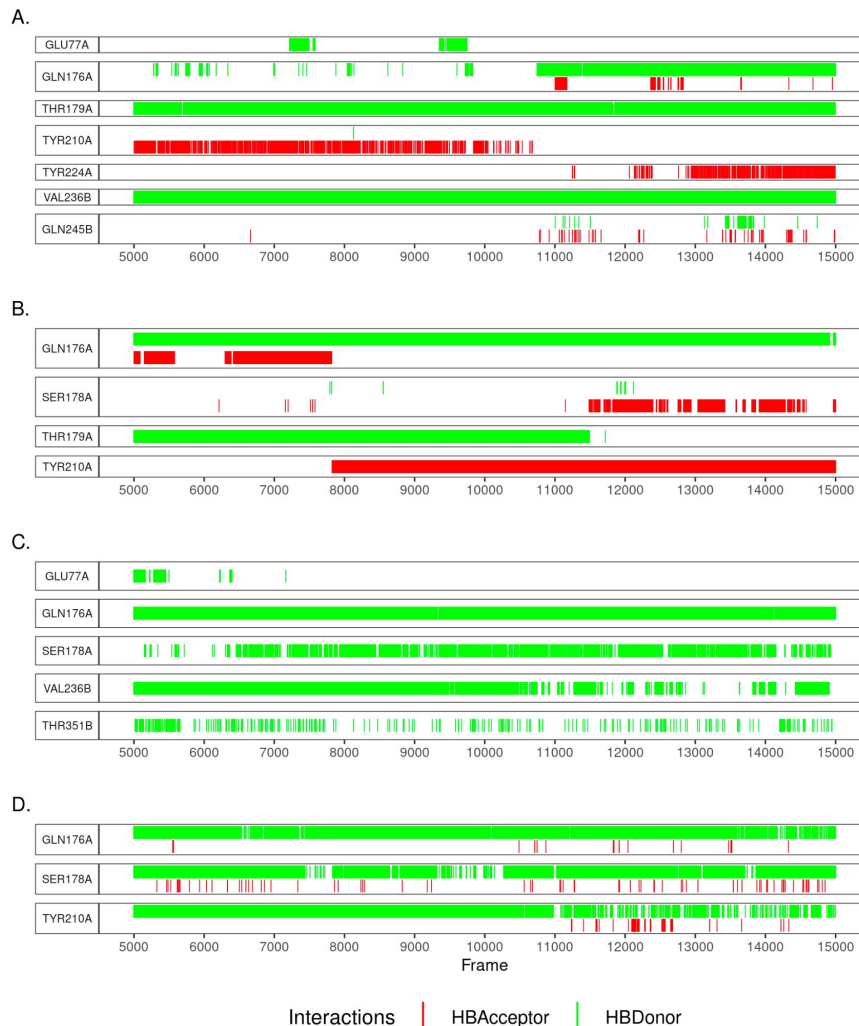
What can be done by MD

- to investigate protein-ligand interaction stability

[5]:

ligand	LIG1.G							
protein	TYR38.A		TYR109.A		THR110.A		TRP125.A	
interaction	Hydrophobic	VdWContact	Hydrophobic	VdWContact	Hydrophobic	Hydrophobic	VdWContact	
Frame								
0	False	False	True	False	False	True	False	
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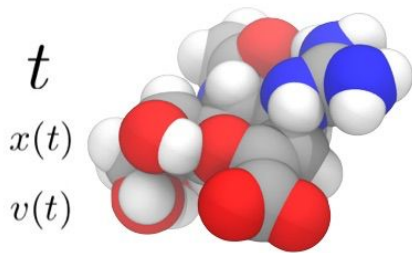
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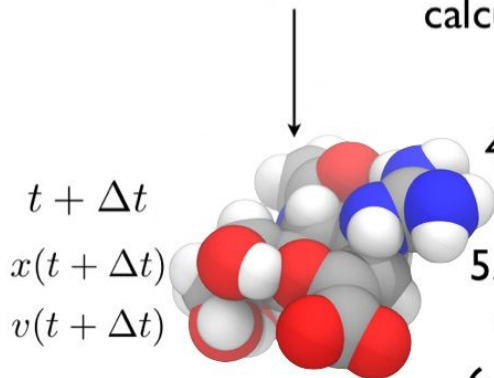


Molecular Dynamics Simulation Process

Simulation
process is based on
Newton's second law

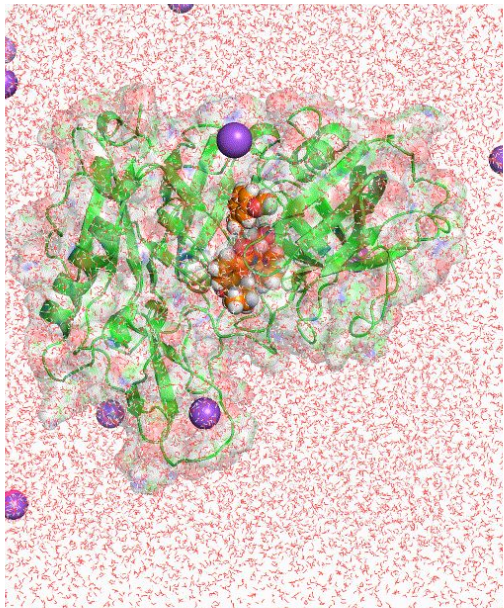


- ## Molecular Dynamics
1. Assign velocities to all atoms
 2. Calculate forces on all atoms
 3. Use Newton's second law to calculate acceleration on each atom
$$F = ma$$



4. Calculate velocities for the next timestep
5. Use change of velocities to get coordinates for next timestep
6. Go to step 2.

Classical Molecular Dynamics



Preprocessing

Pre-simulation
steps

Structure Preparation

Force-field

- Definitions of inter-atomic bonded and non-bonded forces (ligand and protein)

Simulation box setup

- box size/shape

Solvate system

- add HOH molecules

Neutralize system

- add Na⁺/Cl⁻ ions

Energy minimization

- Stop minimization when the max force < 1000.0 kJ/mol/nm
- to ensure that the system has no steric clashes or inappropriate geometry

NVT and NPT equilibration

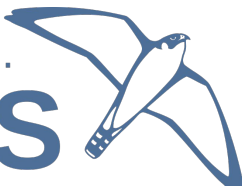
- 1000 ps
- equilibrate the solvent and ions around the protein

Product Simulation

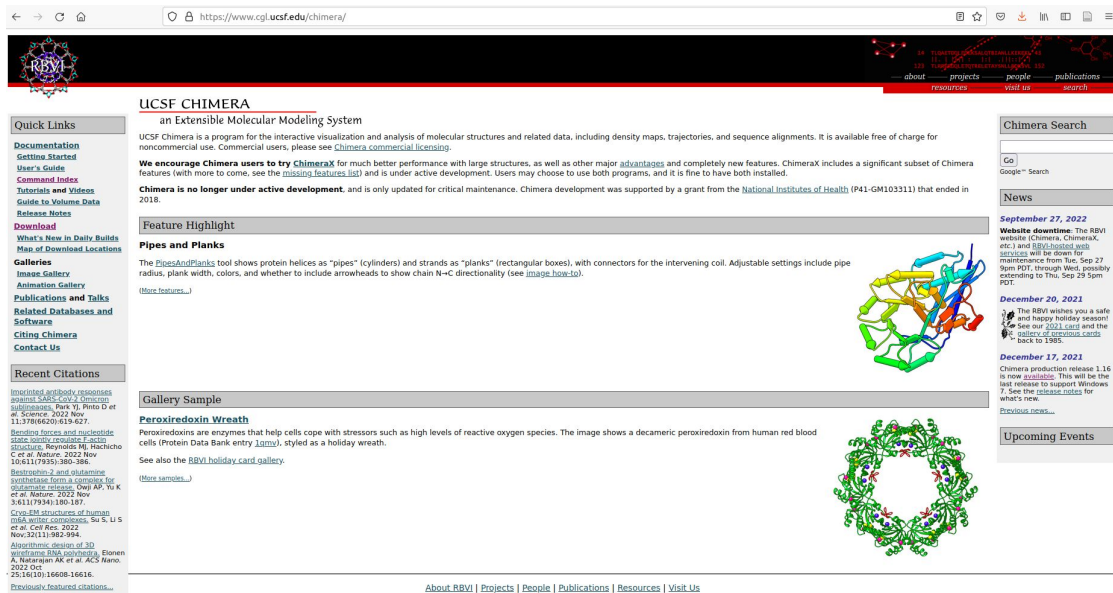
Analysis

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Structure preparation



The screenshot shows the UCSF Chimera website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'resources', 'projects', 'people', 'publications', and 'search'. The main content area is titled 'UCSF CHIMERA' and describes it as 'an Extensible Molecular Modeling System'. It provides information about the program's availability, encourages users to try ChimeraX, and mentions that development was supported by a grant from the National Institutes of Health. There are several sections: 'Quick Links', 'Documentation', 'Download', 'Galleries', 'Recent Citations', 'Feature Highlight', 'Pipes and Planks', 'Gallery Sample', 'Peroxidoredoxin Wreath', and 'Chimera Search'. Two 3D molecular models are displayed: one showing a protein structure with various colored helices and strands, and another showing a circular protein structure resembling a wreath. The footer contains links for 'About RBVI', 'Projects', 'People', 'Publications', 'Resources', and 'Visit Us'.



Protein and ligand preparation. In-house scripts

<https://github.com/ci-lab-cz/docking-files/tree/main>

Docking preparation procedure

[PDB download](#)

By script:

```
python scripts/get_pdb_fasta_mol_bypdbid.py -i 5tgz 5u09 -o P21554
```

it returns:

```
P21554/  
ligands_frompdb.smi (can use for pdb2mol script)  
P21554/5tgz/  
5tgz.pdb  
5tgz.fasta  
5tgz_ligands_frompdb.sdf  
5tgz_ligands_frompdb.smi  
ligands_list.log
```

or by PDB downloader

[Target preparation](#)

- 1) Open Chimera
- 2) Fetch PDBIDs (space as separator)
File → Fetch by ID
- 3) Select chosen chains (remove other chains)

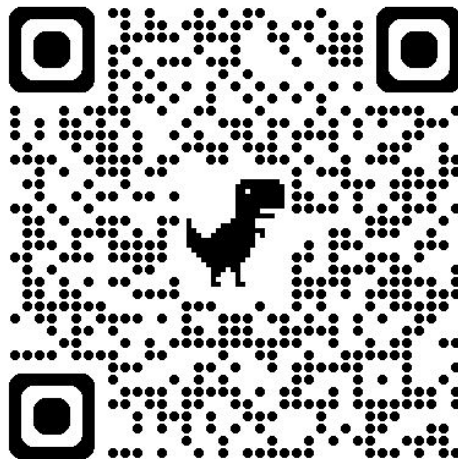
Select menu

Select chain (if chains: Select → Selection mode → append) → Invert (all mo
Atoms/Bonds → delete

4) Align structures

Tools → Structure comparison → MatchMaker

This is an optional step. It is required if at least one structure of the same prot
in prepared files. In such a case select the first structure from the prepared ones by alphabetic order
and use it as a reference to align a new one. This will simplify analysis of docking to different X-ray



Fix charges and Hs in mol files. Manual revision of the case... 2 months ago

Add a blind docking site box for tubulin 5 months ago

docking files 3 years ago

Fix charges and Hs in mol files. Manual revision of the case... 2 months ago

add Uniprot code to folder name and add mol files to ligand... 2 months ago

Update README.md 3 months ago

add pdbqt of boron-containing complexes 5 months ago

docking files 3 years ago

red for docking

n-ligand complexes prepared for docking in PDB nad PDBQT formats.

cribed in the document `Target-prepare_desgn.docx`. Please follow it if you contribute a

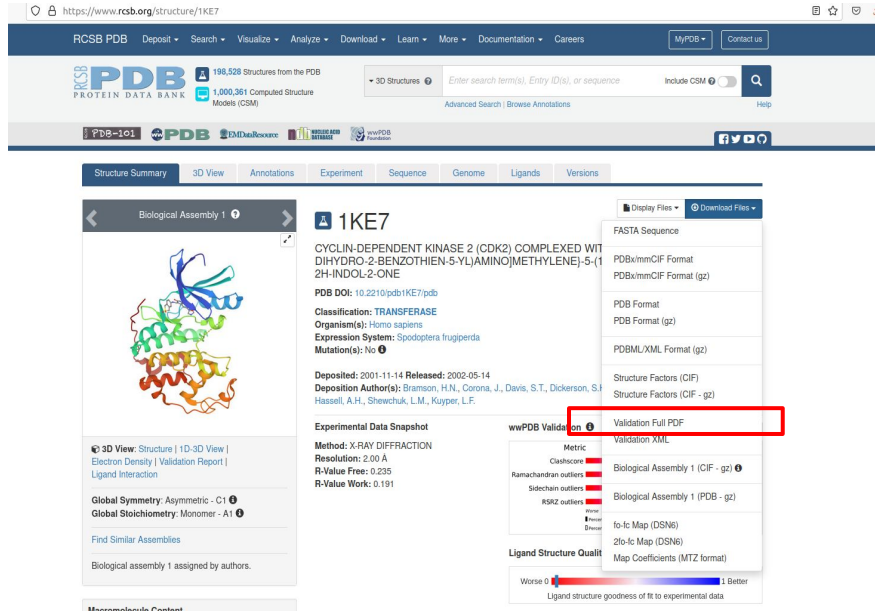
...the major feature is that all structures of an individual protein are aligned and a single grid box is used for all of them.

The repository is composed of directories for individual proteins, where every directory has the following structure:

Protein preparation

1. Download structure from PDB (<https://www.rcsb.org/>) using PDBID

Download Files -> PDB Format



The screenshot shows the RCSB PDB website interface for entry 1KE7. The main content area displays the protein structure as a ribbon diagram. To the right, a 'Download Files' dropdown menu is open, listing various file formats. The 'Validation Full PDF' option is highlighted with a red box. Below the menu, the wwPDB Validation section shows metrics for the structure, including Clashscore, Ramachandran outliers, and RSZ outliers, all with red bars indicating high values. The Ligand Structure Quality section shows a score of 1.0, indicating a perfect fit to experimental data.

Structure Summary | 3D View | Annotations | Experiment | Sequence | Genome | Ligands | Versions

Biological Assembly 1

1KE7

CYCLIN-DEPENDENT KINASE 2 (CDK2) COMPLEXED WITH DIHYDRO-2-BENZOTHIEN-5-YL(AMINO)METHYLENE)-5-(1,2H-INDOL-2-ONE

PDB DOI: [10.2210/pdb/1KE7/pdb](https://doi.org/10.2210/pdb/1KE7/pdb)

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wwPDB Validation

Metric

Clashscore: Biological Assembly 1 (CIF - gz)

Ramachandran outliers: Biological Assembly 1 (PDB - gz)

RSZ outliers: Biological Assembly 1 (PDB - gz)

Ligand Structure Quality

Worse 0 Better 1

Ligand structure goodness of fit to experimental data

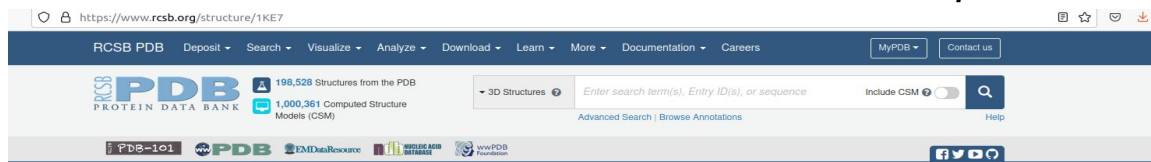
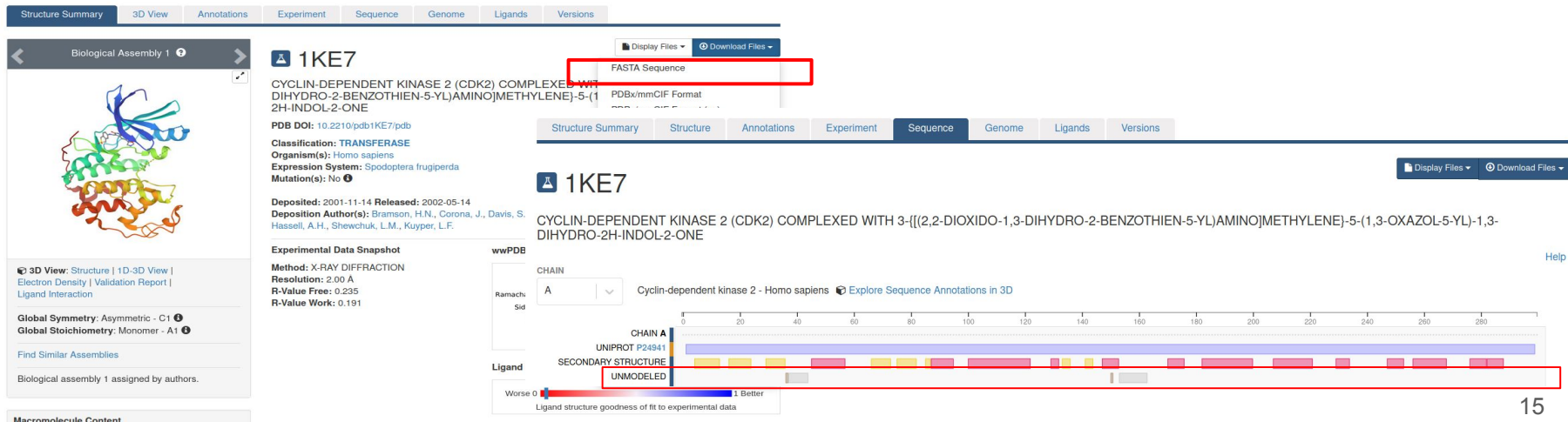
Download Files

- FASTA Sequence
- PDBx/mmCIF Format
- PDBx/mmCIF Format (gz)
- PDB Format
- PDB Format (gz)
- PDBML/XML Format (gz)
- Structure Factors (CIF)
- Structure Factors (CIF - gz)
- Validation Full PDF
- Validation XML

Protein preparation

2. Download sequence from PDB or from UniProt

Download Files -> Fasta Sequence

Structure Summary | 3D View | Annotations | Experiment | Sequence | Genome | Ligands | Versions

1KE7

CYCLIN-DEPENDENT KINASE 2 (CDK2) COMPLEXED WITH 3-((2,2-DIOXIDO-1,3-DIHYDRO-2-BENZOTHIEN-5-YL)AMINO)METHYLENE)-5-(1,3-OXAZOL-5-YL)-1,3-DIHYDRO-2H-INDOL-2-ONE

PDB DOI: 10.2210/pdb1KE7/pdb

Classification: TRANSFERASE
Organism(s): Homo sapiens
Expression System: Spodoptera frugiperda
Mutation(s): No

Deposited: 2001-11-14 Released: 2002-05-14
Deposition Author(s): Branson, H.N., Corona, J., Davis, S., Hassell, A.H., Shewchuk, L.M., Kuyper, L.F.

Experimental Data Snapshot
Method: X-RAY DIFFRACTION
Resolution: 2.00 Å
R-Value Free: 0.235
R-Value Work: 0.191

wwPDB

CHAIN A
Ramachandran
Seq

Cyclin-dependent kinase 2 - Homo sapiens

UNIPROT P24941

SECONDARY STRUCTURE

UNMODELED

Worse 0 1 Better
Ligand structure goodness of fit to experimental data

Protein preparation

3. Open Fasta and PDB in **Chimera**
 - a. Fill missing loops by Modeller

Tools -> Sequence -> Sequence

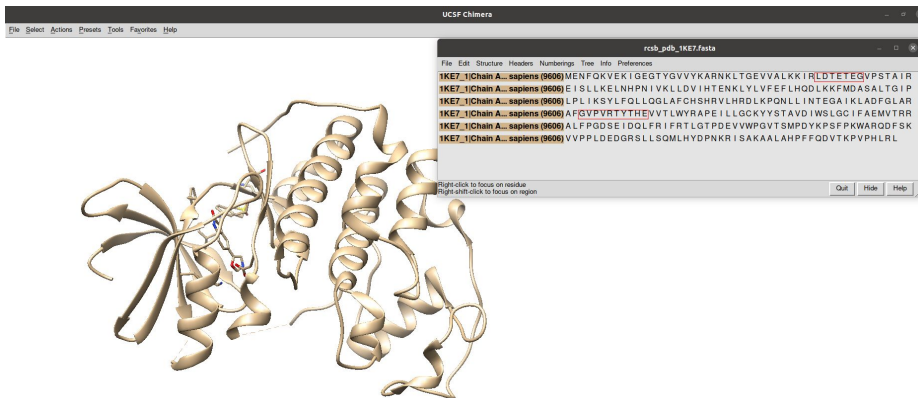
Sequence -> Structure -> Modeller (loops/refinement)

▼ Treatment of Chosen Models

Select atoms Choose in Model Panel Hide others

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#1.7	1.00	-1.65
#1.8	1.00	-1.52
#1.9	1.00	-1.50
#1.10	1.00	-1.59
#1.11	1.00	-1.48
#1.12	1.00	-1.55
#1.13	1.00	-1.60
#1.14	1.00	-1.60
#1.15	1.00	-1.49

select the model with the lowest zDOPE



Model Loops / Refine Structure

active region
 Chimera selection region
 non-terminal missing structure 1ke7.pdb (#0)
 all missing structure

Allow this many residues adjacent to missing regions to move:

Number of models to generate:

Loop modeling protocol:

Run Modeller using:

Modeller license key: *****

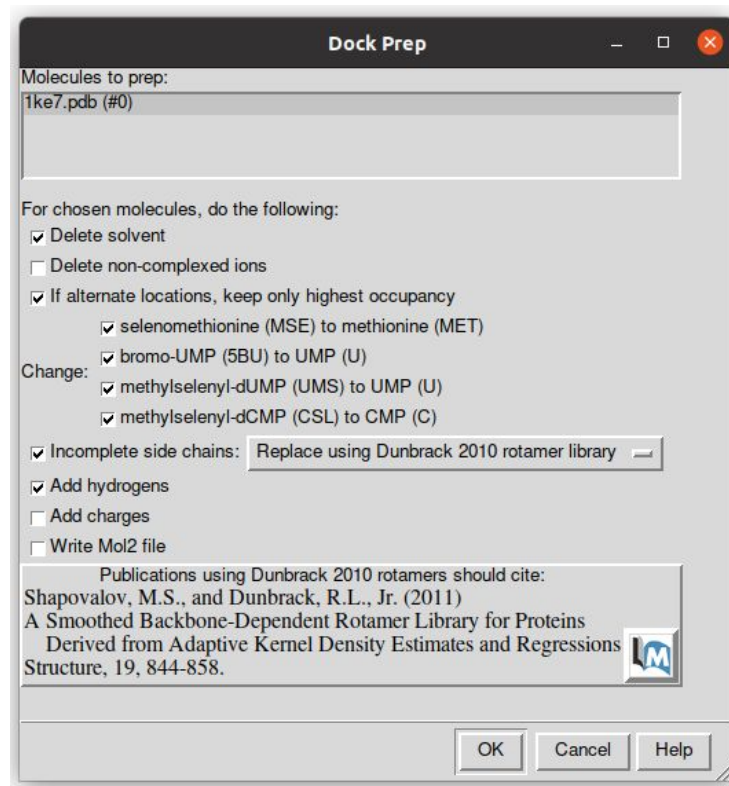
Temporary folder location (optional):

Publications using Modeller results should cite:
 A. Sali and T. L. Blundell.
 Comparative protein modelling by satisfaction of spatial restraints.
 J. Mol. Biol. 234, 779-815, 1993.

Protein preparation

3. Open Fasta and PDB in **Chimera**
 - b. Dock Prepare

Structure Editing -> Dock Prep





Protein preparation

3. Open Fasta and PDB in **Chimera**

c. Write *protein*, *ligands*, *cofactors* objects
into separate files

Select -> Residue -> choose ligand or cofactor name

Select -> Structure -> protein

Protein preparation

AMBER Histidine residues

Histidine (HIS in normal pdb files) is really one of three possible residues:

HID: Histidine with hydrogen on the delta nitrogen

HIE: Histidine with hydrogen on the epsilon nitrogen

HIP: Histidine with hydrogens on both nitrogens; this is positively charged.

It is up to the user to inspect the environment of each histidine and identify the type that is appropriate.

4. Assign non-standard Amber resnames

`pdb4amber -i protein_H.pdb -o protein_H_HIS.pdb`

- **Histidine (HID, HIE, HIP)**

Can be protonated at different nitrogen atoms in its imidazole ring.

- **Aspartate (ASP, ASH)**

Can be neutral (ASP) or negatively charged (ASH) based on the protonation of the carboxyl group.

- **Glutamate (GLU, GLH)**

Behaves similarly to aspartate with its carboxyl groups.

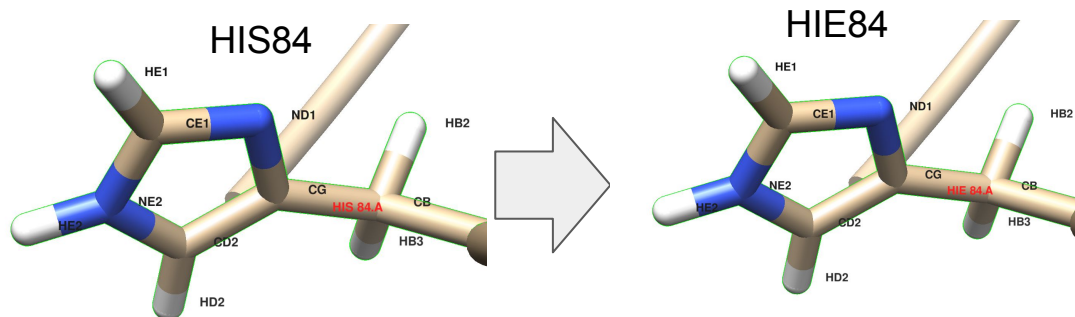
- **Lysine (LYS, LYN)**

Can be protonated or neutral depending on the nitrogen atom in the side chain amine group.

- **Cysteine (CYS, CYX)**

Cysteines involved in disulfide bridges have a special Amber resname (CYX)

Check visually active site





Protein / Ligand preparation

Input Files for MD:

protein_H_HIS.pdb

- *no missing non-terminal atoms/residues*
- *removed non-protein organic molecules*
- *added all hydrogens*
- *set non-standard protonation states of residues*
- *set CYX (Cysteines forming disulfide bridges)*

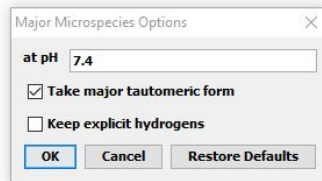
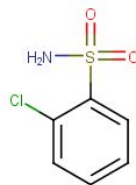
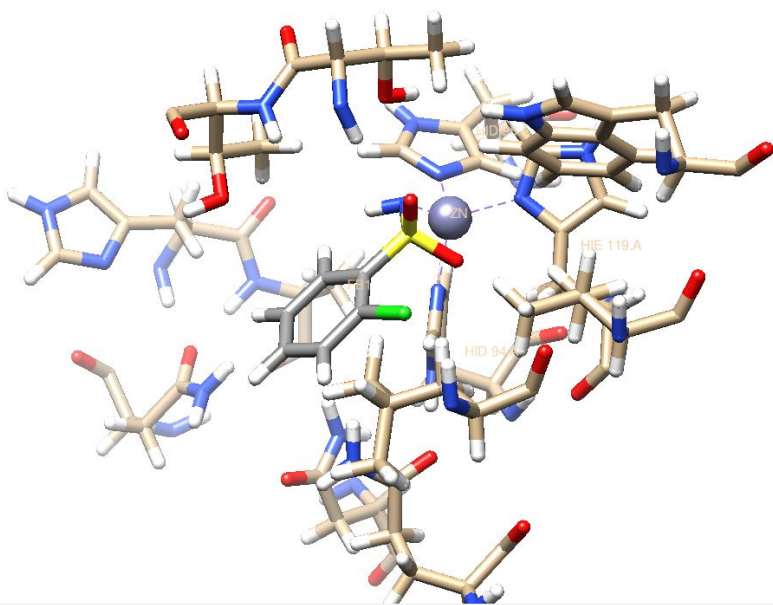
ligand.mol

- *correct coordinates*
- *correct tautomerization*
- *protonated at 7.4 pH / 3d-structure-based protonation (e.g. Chimera) / or user manual protonation (added all hydrogens)*

Ligand preparation

3D-structure-based protonation

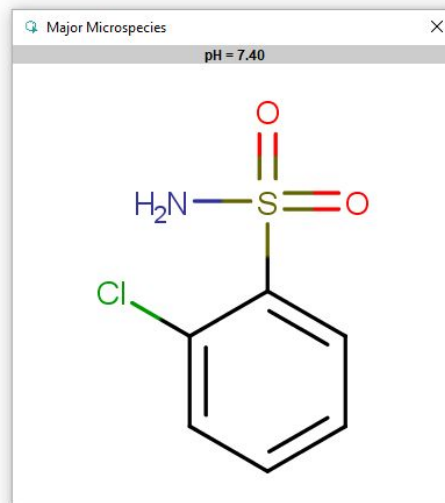
Carbonic Anhydrase



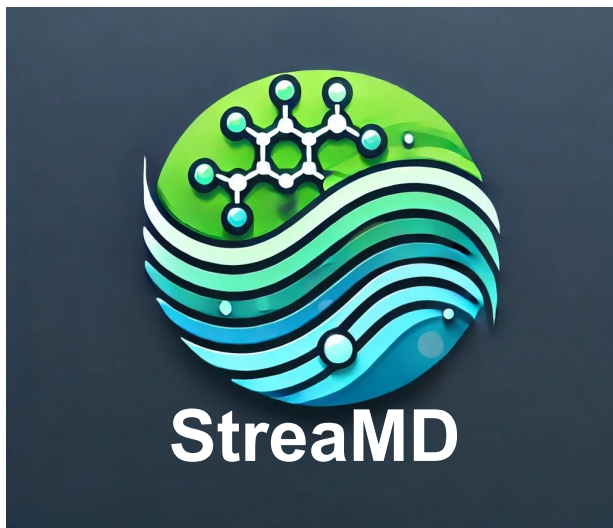
2WEH

pH-based protonation (pH 7.4)

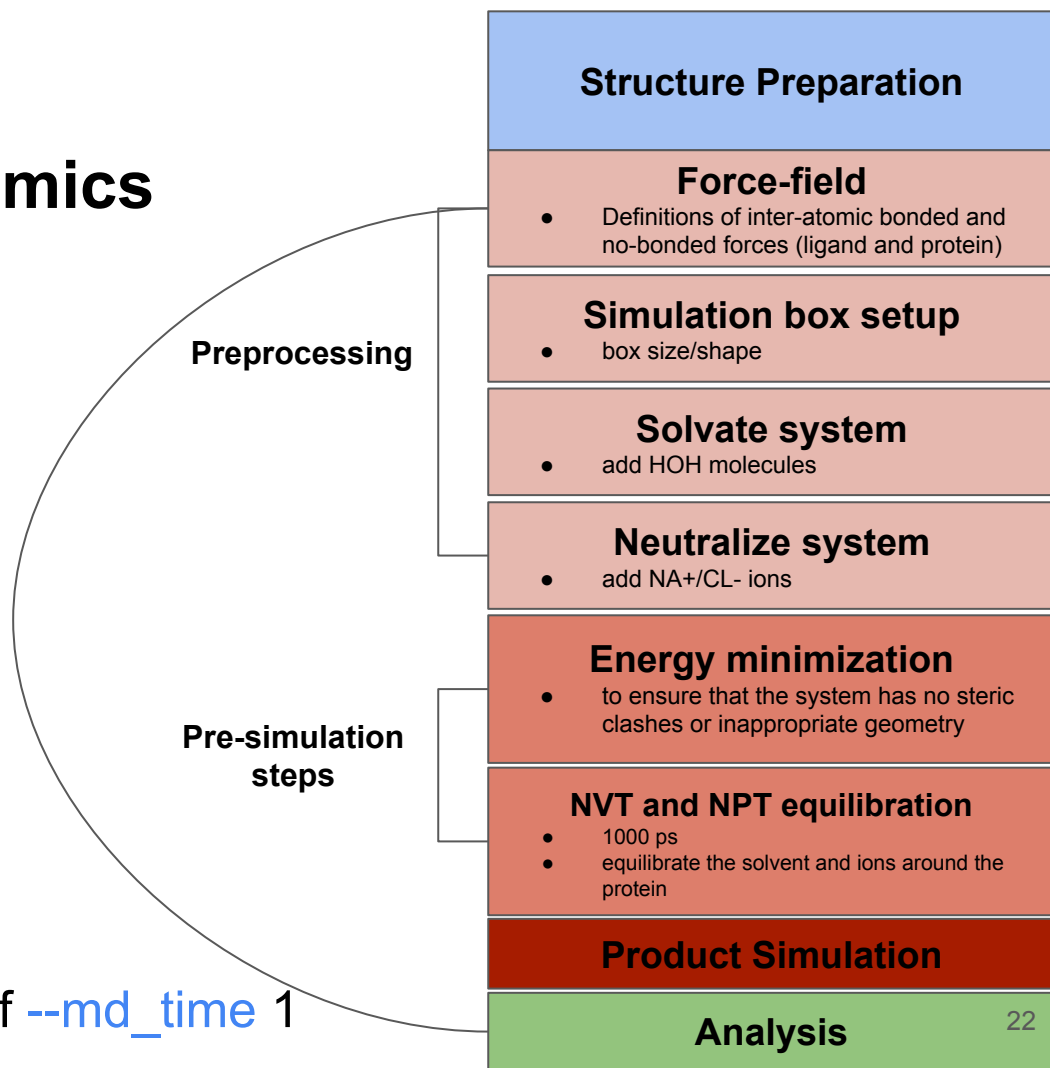
2-CHLOROBENZENESULFONAMIDE



Classical Molecular Dynamics



```
run_md -p protein.pdb -l ligands.sdf --md_time 1
```





Software | [Open access](#) | Published: 05 November 2024

StreamMD: the toolkit for high-throughput molecular dynamics simulations

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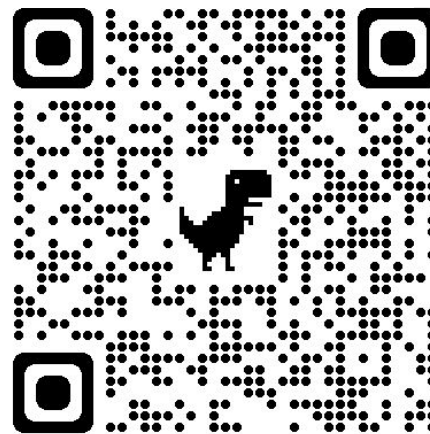
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<https://github.com/ci-lab-cz/streamd>

```
run_md -h
usage: run_md [-h] [-p FILENAME] [-d WDIR] [-l FILENAME] [--cofactor FILENAME] [--clean_previous]
              [--topol_itp topol_chainA.itp topol_chainB.itp [topol_chainA.itp topol_chainB.itp]
              [--protein_forcefield amber99sb-ildn] [--md_time ns] [--npt_time ps] [--nvt_time
              [--wdir_to_continue DIRNAME [DIRNAME ...]] [--deffnm prefix for md files] [--tp
              [--ligand_list_file all_ligand_resid.txt] [--ligand_id UNL] [--activate_gaussian
              [--gaussian_exe g09 or /apps/all/Gaussian/09-d01/g09/g09] [--gaussian_basis B3LYP
              [--metal_cutoff 2.8] [--metal_charges {MN:2, ZN:2, CA:2}]
```

Run or continue MD simulation. Allowed systems: Protein, Protein-Ligand, Protein-Cofactors(multi)



How to run (minimal examples)

To run simulation:

```
run_md -p protein.pdb -l ligands.sdf --md_time 1
```

To extend simulation:

```
run_md --wdir_to_continue md_files/md_run/protein_ligand_*/ --md_time 2
```

G(P)BSA calculations:

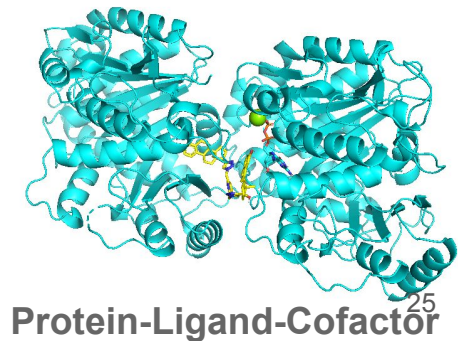
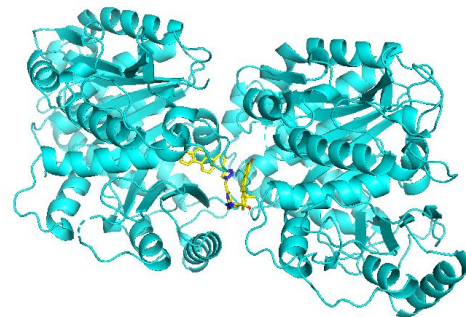
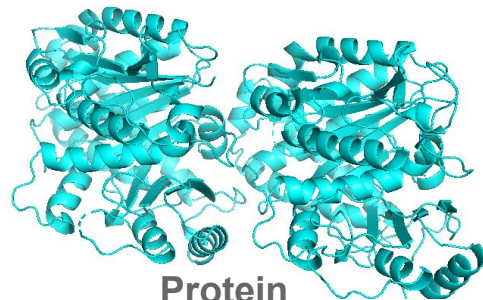
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```

ProLIF calculations:

```
run_prolif --wdir_to_run md_files/md_run/protein_ligand_*
```


Main features of StreaMD:

- GROMACS engine
- Default set of optimal parameters for calculations, which can be customized
- Support of simulations of different molecular systems in explicit water solvent:
 - protein only, protein-ligand, protein-cofactor(s), protein-ligand-cofactor(s)
- Support of modeling of boron-containing molecules
 - RESP charges calculation using Gaussian tool
- Support of Building Bonded Model for A Ligand Binding Metalloprotein with MCPB.py
 - to simulate proteins with specific metal ions not parametrized in commonly used FF
- The ability to continue interrupted or to expand already finished simulations
- Support of distributed computing using Dask library across a network of servers or cluster
- GPU calculations support



Main features of StreamMD:

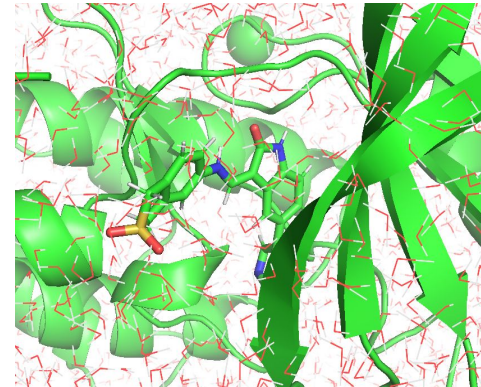
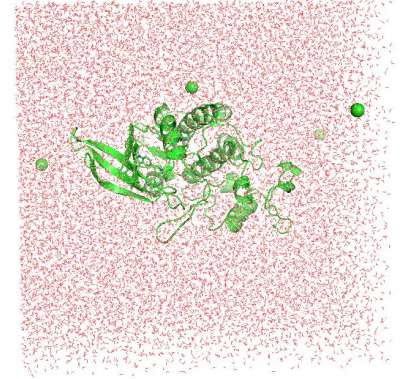
- **Automatic analysis of simulation:**
 - separate RMSD plots for protein, ligand and cofactors objects
 - a plot of flexibility of side chains of amino acids (RMSF)
 - a plot and a pdb file with radius of gyration
 - a single frame pdb file for the topology and a short subset of the trajectory for the quick visual inspection
 - a fitted trajectory (with removed periodic boundary conditions, aligned and centered on the first frame) to use for energy or protein-ligand interaction calculations
 - interactive trajectory convergence analysis for multiple complexes
- **Support of analysis by additional instruments:**
 - **ProLIF:** Ligand-Protein interactions (time-dependent function, stability analysis)
 - <https://github.com/chemosim-lab/ProLIF>
 - **gmx_MMPBSA:** Calculation of Binding Energy by MM(PB)GBSA
 - https://github.com/Valdes-Tresanco-MS/gmx_MMPBSA



Check your own MD simulations

mdrun/md_files/md_run/protein_H_HIS_ligand

mdrun/md_files/md_run/protein_H_HIS_ligand/md_analysis





StreaMD Analysis Output Files

System stability & issues

potential.png
density.png
pressure.png
temperature.png

Minimization & Equilibration stages

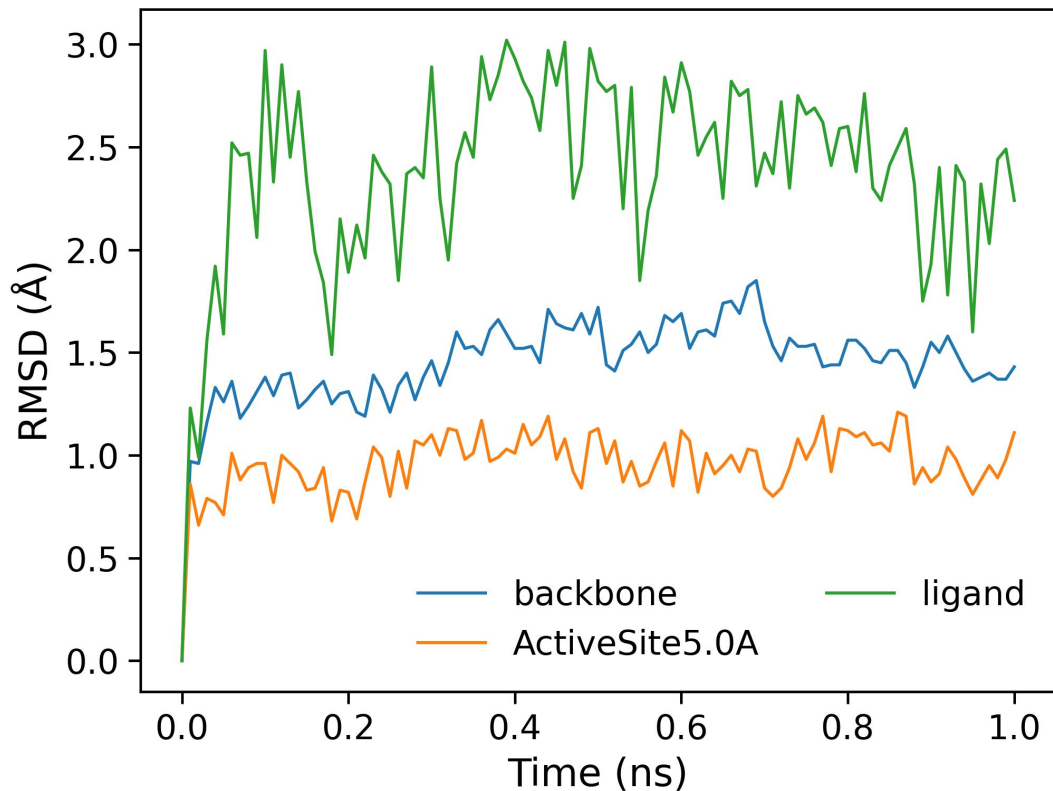
Pose stability & System issues

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gyrate_complex-name.png
rmsf_complex-name.png
rmsd_mean_std_time-ranges_time.html

Production Simulation



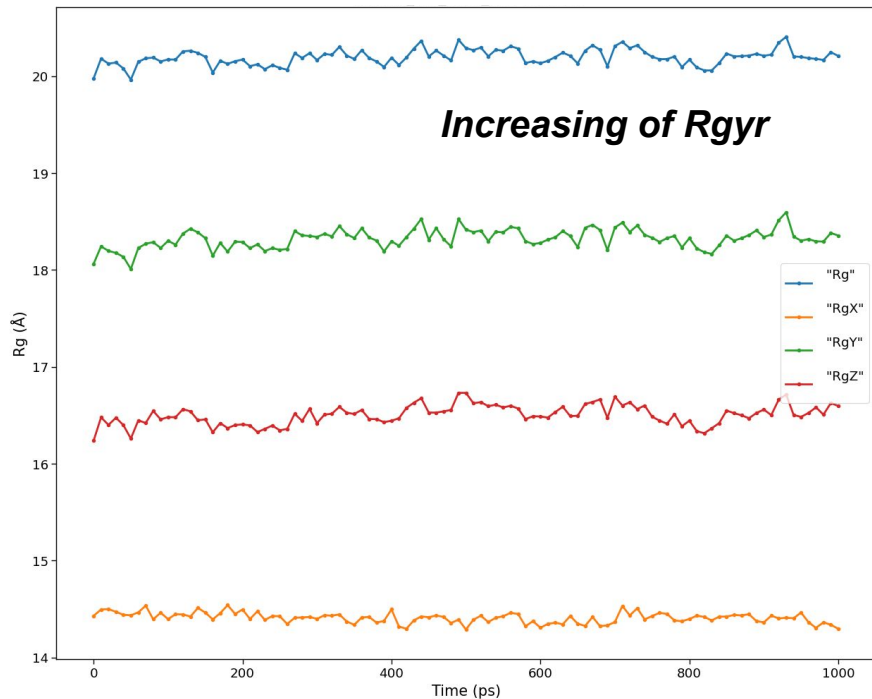
Root mean square deviation of atomic positions



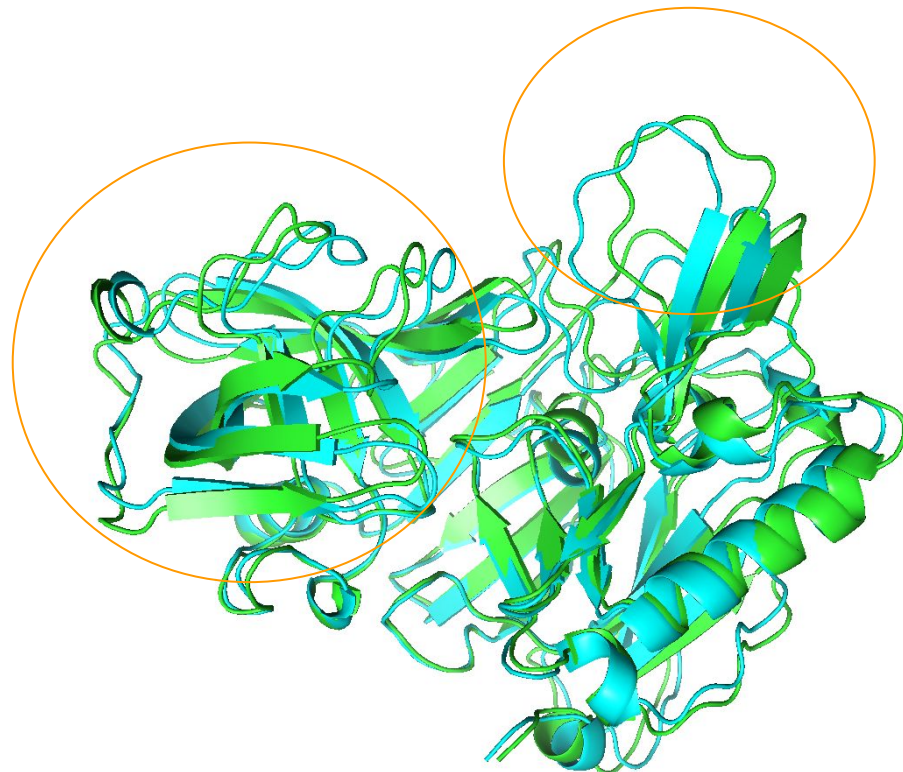
rmsd_complex-name.png



Radius of gyration (total and around axes)



gyrate_complex-name.png



Conformer at the 1st ps

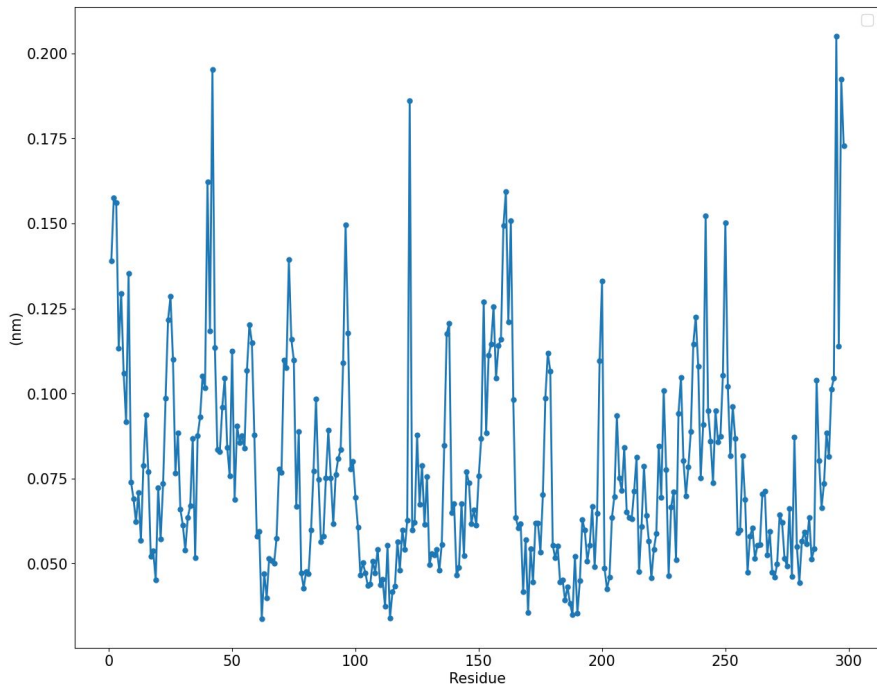
Conformer at the 1000th ps

Value of Rgyr:

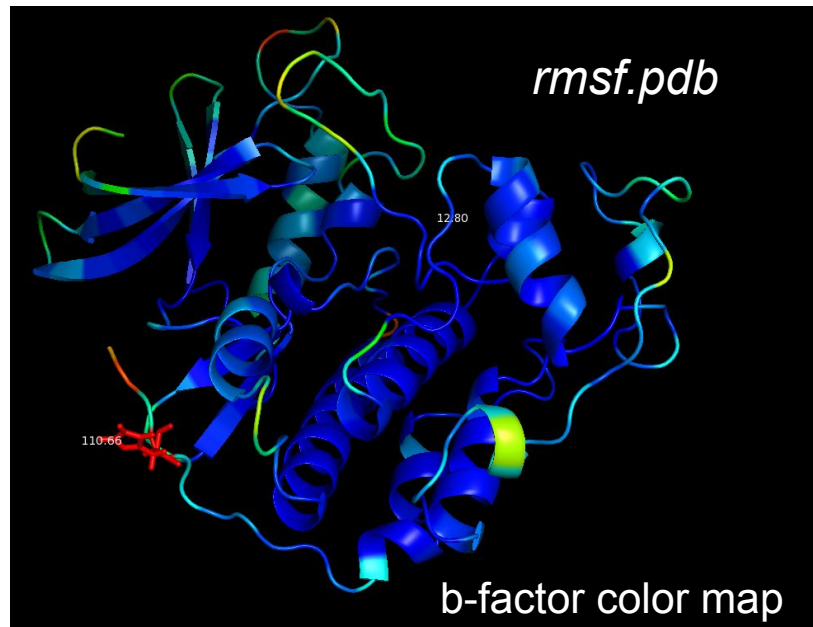
Decreasing - compression

Increasing - extension

Root mean square fluctuation (RMSF, i.e. standard deviation)



rmsf_complex-name.png

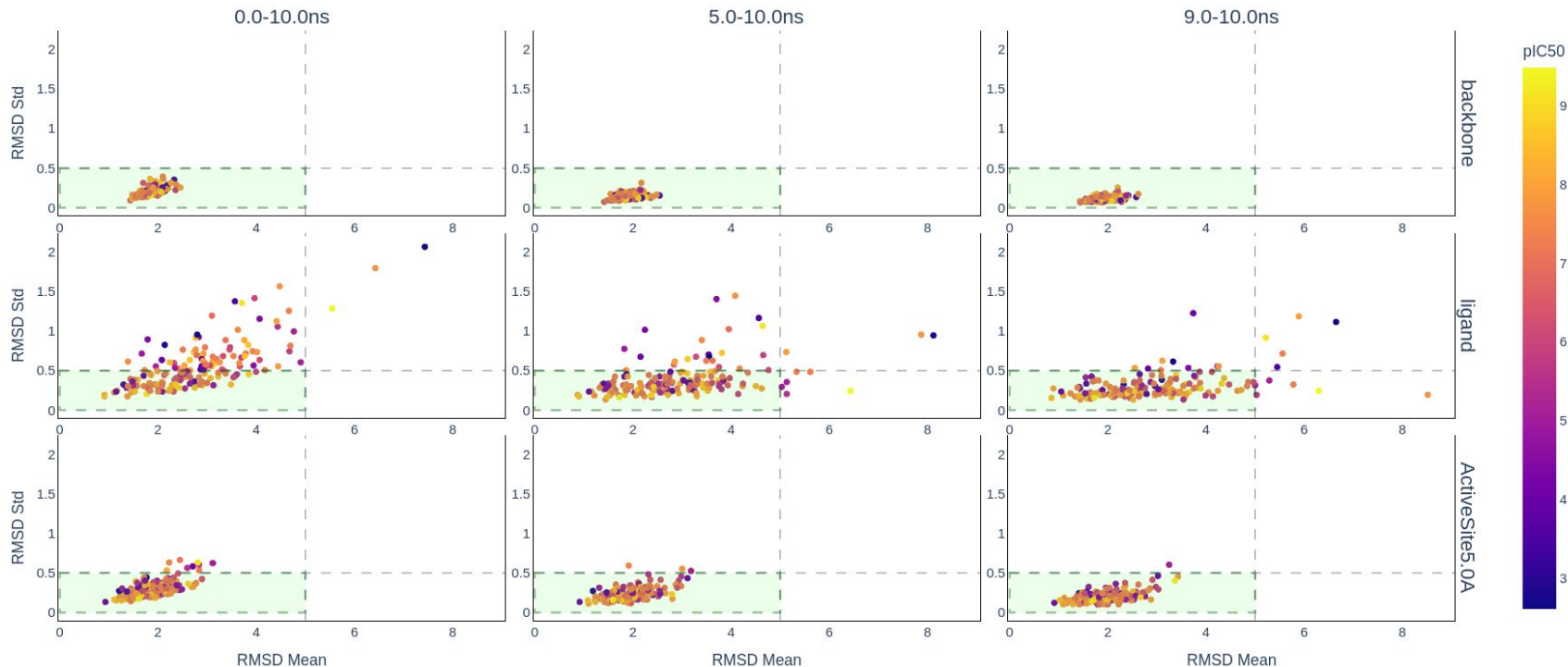


High RMSF: Loops or flexible regions. Disordered structure



Trajectory convergence analysis

Interactive html files help to identify converged segments of trajectories



[rmsd_mean_std_time-ranges_time.html](#)

*The **average RMSD** provides insight into ligand movement or rotation relative to its initial pose, while the **standard deviation** reflects the stability of the ligand pose within the selected trajectory segment.*

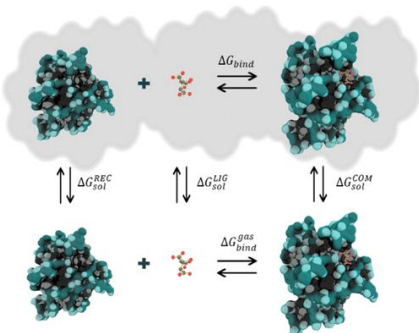


MMPBSA / MMGBSA

End-state free energy calculations
with GROMACS files

What can be done by MD

- to estimate binding affinity of protein-ligand complexes
 - Molecular mechanics Poisson–Boltzmann surface area (**MM/PBSA**)
 - Molecular mechanics generalized Born surface area (**MM/GBSA**)



In the MM/PBSA or MM/GBSA approach, the free energy for binding of the ligand (L) to the protein receptor (R) to form the complex (RL),

$$\Delta G_{bind} = G_{RL} - G_R - G_L \quad (4)$$

can be decomposed into contributions of different interactions and expressed as [\(58\)](#)

$$\Delta G_{bind} = \Delta H - T\Delta S = \Delta E_{MM} + \Delta G_{sol} - T\Delta S \quad (5)$$

in which

$$\Delta E_{MM} = \Delta E_{int} + \Delta E_{ele} + \Delta E_{vdW} \quad (6)$$

$$\Delta G_{sol} = \Delta G_{PB/GB} + \Delta G_{SA} \quad (7)$$

$$\Delta G_{SA} = \gamma \cdot SASA + b \quad (8)$$

MMPBSA / MMGBSA

- to estimate binding affinity of protein-ligand complexes

Total G_{Binding} =

- Gas-phase molecular mechanics energy ΔE_{MM} :**
 - changes in the **internal energies ΔE_{int}** (bond, angle, and dihedral energies)
 - electrostatic energies ΔE_{ele}**
 - van der Waals energies ΔE_{vdW}**
- Electrostatic solvation energy G_{sol}**
 - The polar contribution** is calculated using either the PB or GB model ($\Delta G_{\text{PB/GB}}$). Where the GB method gives an analytical expression for the polar solvation energy and is thus much faster than the PB method.
 - nonpolar energy** is usually estimated using the solvent-accessible surface area (**SASA**)
- The change in **conformational entropy $-T\Delta S$**
 - is usually calculated by normal-mode analysis (or Interaction entropy) on a set of conformational snapshots taken from MD simulations.

*Free binding energy is calculated as the difference in free energy between **the bound and unbound** states of the molecules. Where **the free energy** is derived from:*

In the MM/PBSA or MM/GBSA approach, the free energy for binding of the ligand (L) to the protein receptor (R) to form the complex (RL),

$$\Delta G_{\text{bind}} = G_{\text{RL}} - G_{\text{R}} - G_{\text{L}} \quad (4)$$

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$$\Delta G_{\text{SA}} = \gamma \cdot \text{SASA} + b \quad (8)$$



MMPBSA.in

Sample input file for PB/GB calculation

#This input file is meant to show only that gmx_MMPBSA works. Although, we tried to use the input files as recommended in the

#Amber manual, some parameters have been changed to perform more expensive calculations in a reasonable amount of time. Feel free to change the parameters

#according to what is better for your system.

&general

```
sys_name="PB_GB_IE",  
startframe=1, interval=1, verbose=2, PBRadii=3,  
interaction_entropy=1, ie_segment=100, temperature=310
```

/

&gb

```
igb=5, saltcon=0.150,
```

/

&pb

```
istrng=0.15, fillratio=4.0, radiopt=0, indi=1, exdi=80.0
```

/

run_gbsa -i mdrun/md_files/md_run/protein_HIS_ligand/



Ligand:					
Energy Component	Average	SD(Prop.)	SD	SEM(Prop.)	SEM
BOND	10.44	1.76	1.76	0.53	0.53
ANGLE	45.94	3.47	3.47	1.05	1.05
DIHED	22.15	2.81	2.81	0.85	0.85
VDWAALS	-3.17	0.66	0.66	0.20	0.20
EEL	95.19	1.06	1.06	0.32	0.32
1-4 VDW	8.18	0.73	0.73	0.22	0.22
1-4 EEL	-225.44	1.28	1.28	0.38	0.38
EGB	-36.44	1.07	1.07	0.32	0.32
ESURF	3.63	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01
GGAS	-46.70	5.17	4.07	1.56	1.23
GSOLV	-32.81	1.07	1.07	0.32	0.32
TOTAL	-79.51	5.28	4.12	1.59	1.24
Delta (Complex - Receptor - Ligand):					
Energy Component	Average	SD(Prop.)	SD	SEM(Prop.)	SEM
ΔBOND	-0.00	0.83	0.00	0.25	0.00
ΔANGLE	-0.00	2.81	0.00	0.85	0.00
ΔDIHED	0.00	2.53	0.00	0.76	0.00
ΔVDWAALS	-45.23	0.57	2.79	0.17	0.84
ΔEEL	-37.12	0.26	6.03	0.08	1.82
Δ1-4 VDW	0.00	0.54	0.00	0.16	0.00
Δ1-4 EEL	0.00	0.45	0.00	0.14	0.00
ΔEGB	49.63	0.19	3.93	0.06	1.18
ΔESURF	-6.08	0.01	0.11	0.00	0.03
ΔGGAS	-82.35	0.62	5.83	0.19	1.76
ΔGSOLV	43.55	0.19	3.94	0.06	1.19
ΔTOTAL	-38.80	0.65	3.12	0.20	0.94
Using Interaction Entropy Approximation:					
ΔG binding =	-35.81	+/-	3.31		

PBSA

	A	B	C
fname		ΔG_binding	ΔG_binding +/-
protein_HIS_igand_1		-35.81	0.74

GBSA

fname	ΔG_binding	ΔG_binding +/-
protein_HIS_ligand_1	-24.31	4.1

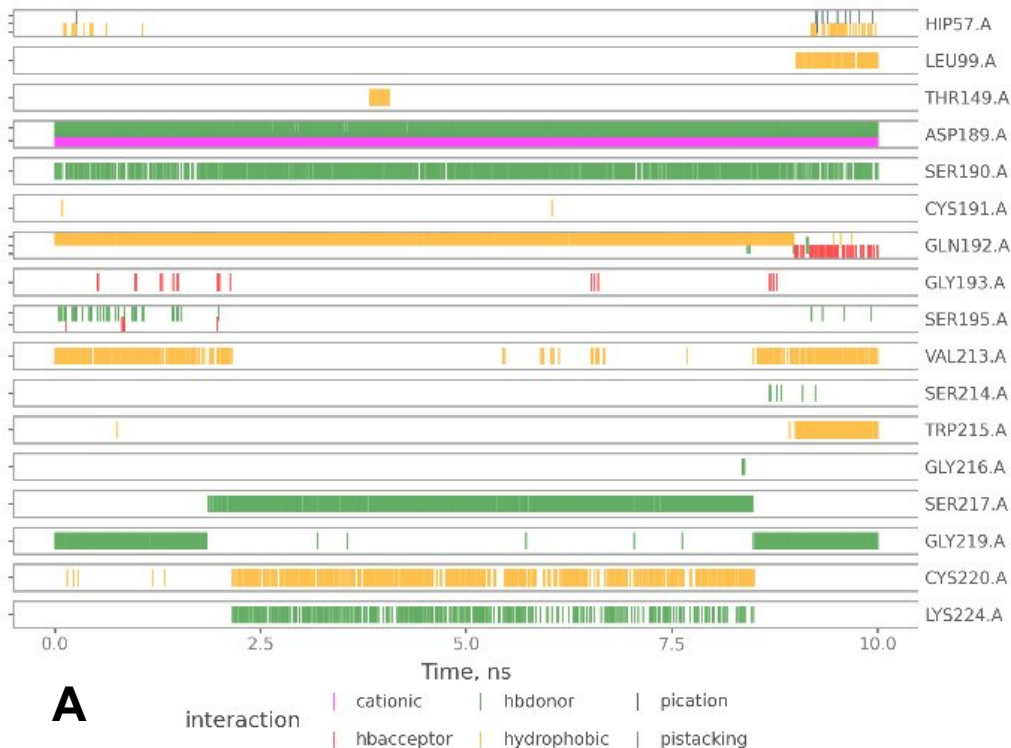
MMPBSA Energy and MMGBSA Energy cannot be compared within the different methods. But you can rank your molecules by energies obtained from each method separately.



ProLIF (Protein-Ligand Interaction Fingerprints)

```
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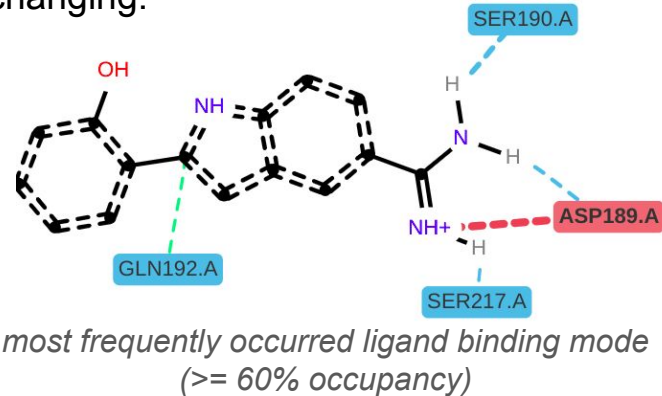
Protein-Ligand Interaction Fingerprints



Protein-ligand interactions detected for the trypsin dataset. (a) Occurrence of contacts in course of simulation detected for 1GI6 protein-ligand complex during 10 ns MD simulation.

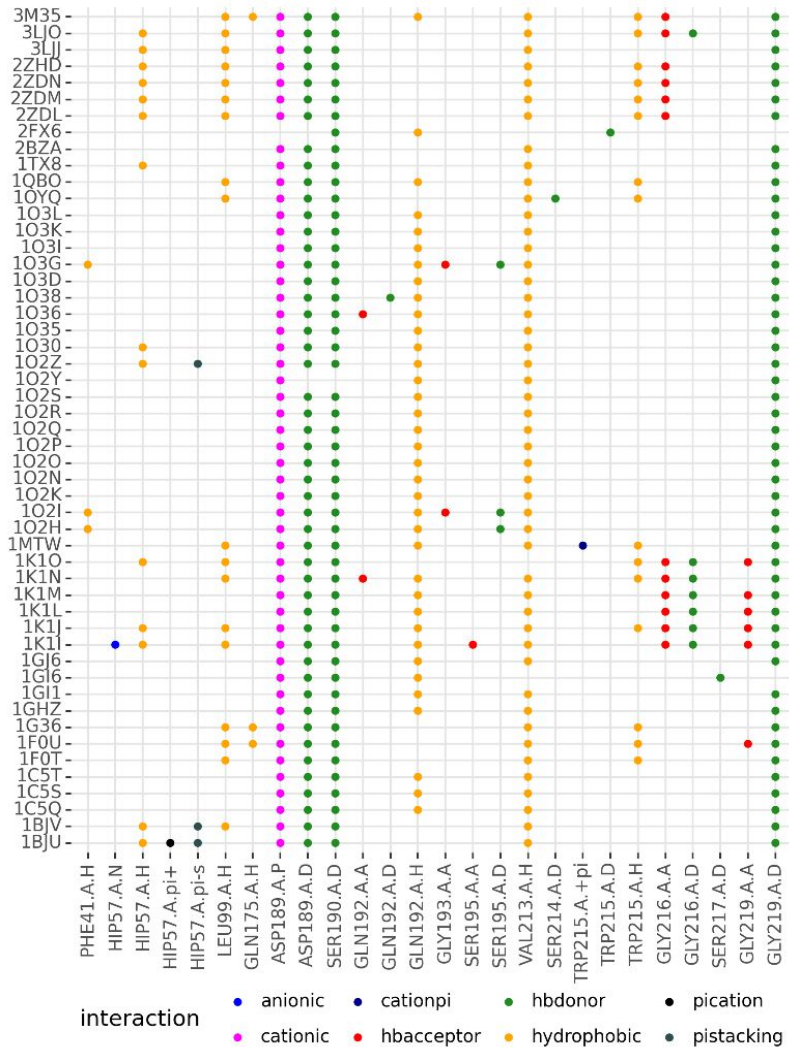
What information can we retrieve from analysis of protein-ligand interactions?

- By default, the tool creates 2 types of protein-ligand interactions analysis outputs
- The analysis of individual protein-ligand systems may show **which contacts are co-occurred** and **how these groups of contacts change during the simulation** that may suggest ligand moving or pose changing.





Interaction fingerprints for the whole trypsin dataset occurred in at least 60% of frames of 10 ns MD trajectories

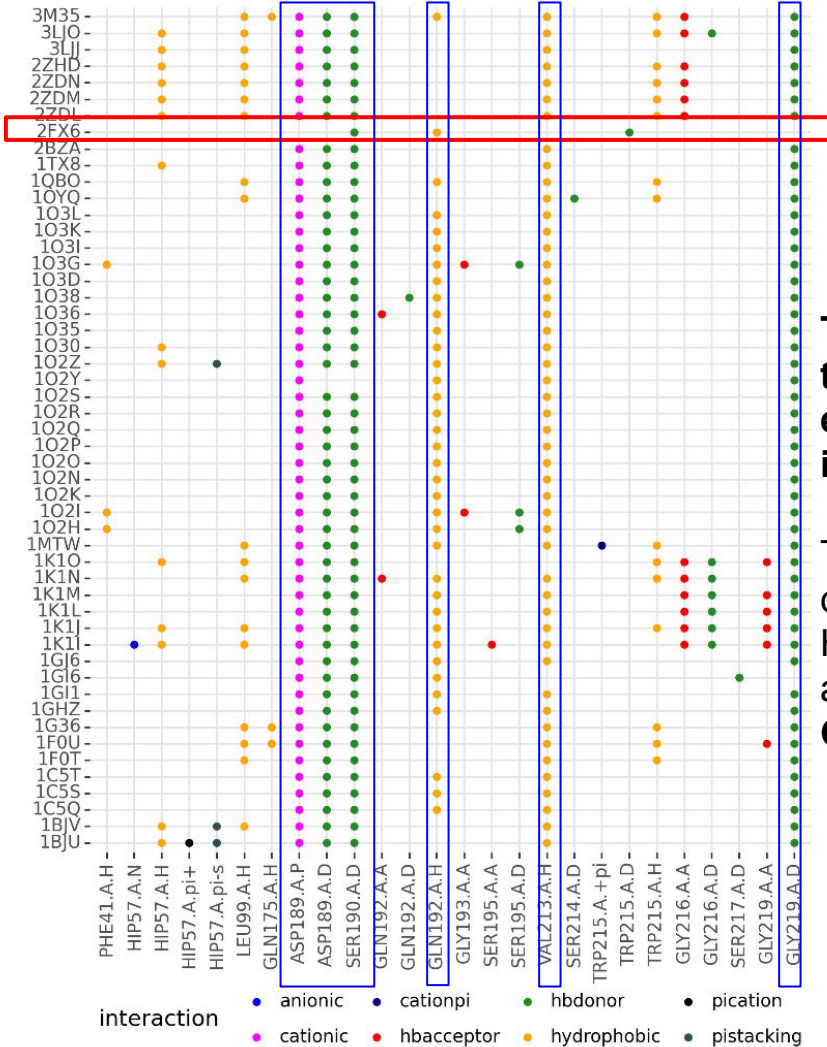


The analysis of contacts observed for multiple ligands may help to **identify the most frequently observed contacts (interaction patterns) and identify ligands which do not follow them**, that may indicate their unique binding modes or issues in a simulation setup.

A	B	C	D
Name	Frame	phe41.a.hydrophobic	hip57.a.hydrophobic
2BZA	0	FALSE	FALSE
1O2Y	0	FALSE	FALSE
1K10	0	FALSE	TRUE
2ZDL	0	FALSE	FALSE
1QBO	0	FALSE	FALSE
1O2R	0	FALSE	FALSE
2ZHD	0	FALSE	TRUE
1G36	0	FALSE	FALSE



Ligand from **2FX6** complex did not follow this pattern.



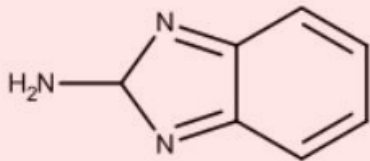
The analysis of the whole set of trypsin inhibitors revealed as expected the common interaction pattern.

The majority of ligands have charged interaction with **Asp189**, H-bonds with **Ser190** and **Gly219** and hydrophobic interactions with **Gln192** and **Val213**.

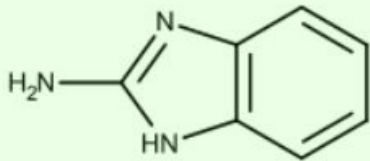


Protein-Ligand Interaction Fingerprints

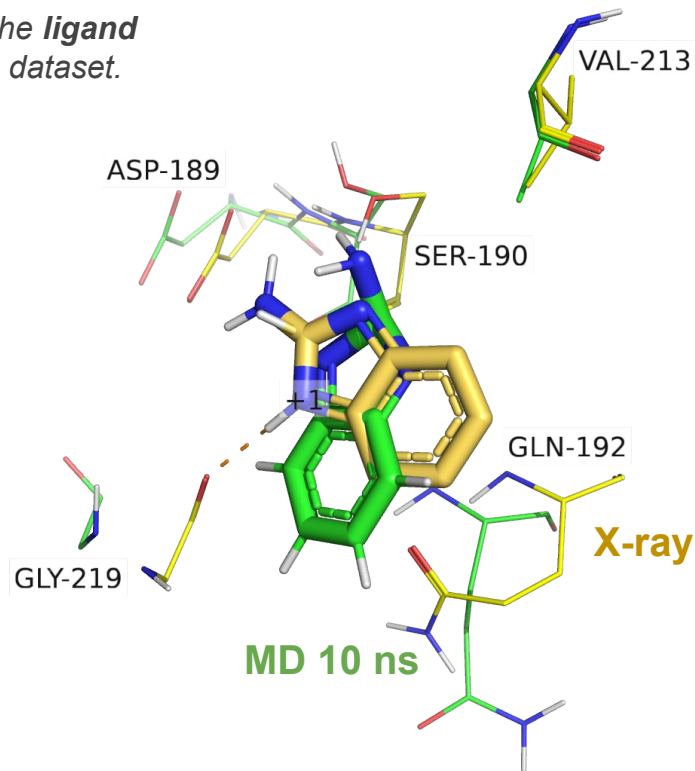
Visual inspection of a ligand MD trajectory revealed that the structure of the **ligand** was wrongly annotated in the PDB database and was not fixed in the dataset.



The structure from PDB database and data set of Bahia et al²³



The structure reported in the original manuscript²⁶.



The bond orders were incorrectly interpreted, that results in wrong geometry of the structure and that the **ligand started to move away from its initial pose** and could not form expected contacts.

Availability and requirements

Project name: StreaMD

GitHub: <https://github.com/ci-lab-cz/streamd>

Operating system(s): Linux

Programming language: Python 3

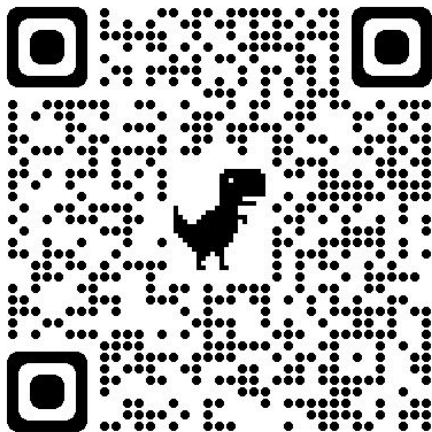
Other requirements: GROMACS, RDKit, ProLIF, Antechamber, MDAnalysis, Dask, Gaussian (optional, a license is required)

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Thank you for your attention!



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