



Constraints and variability of complementarity determining regions in antibodies

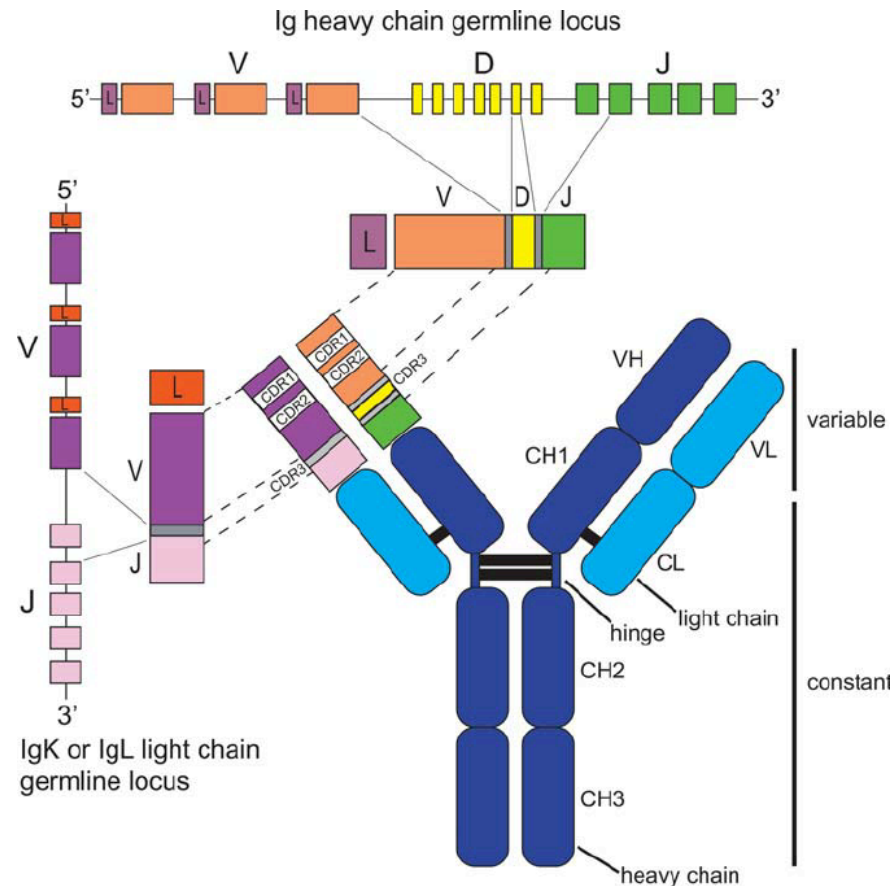
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Origin of antibody variability

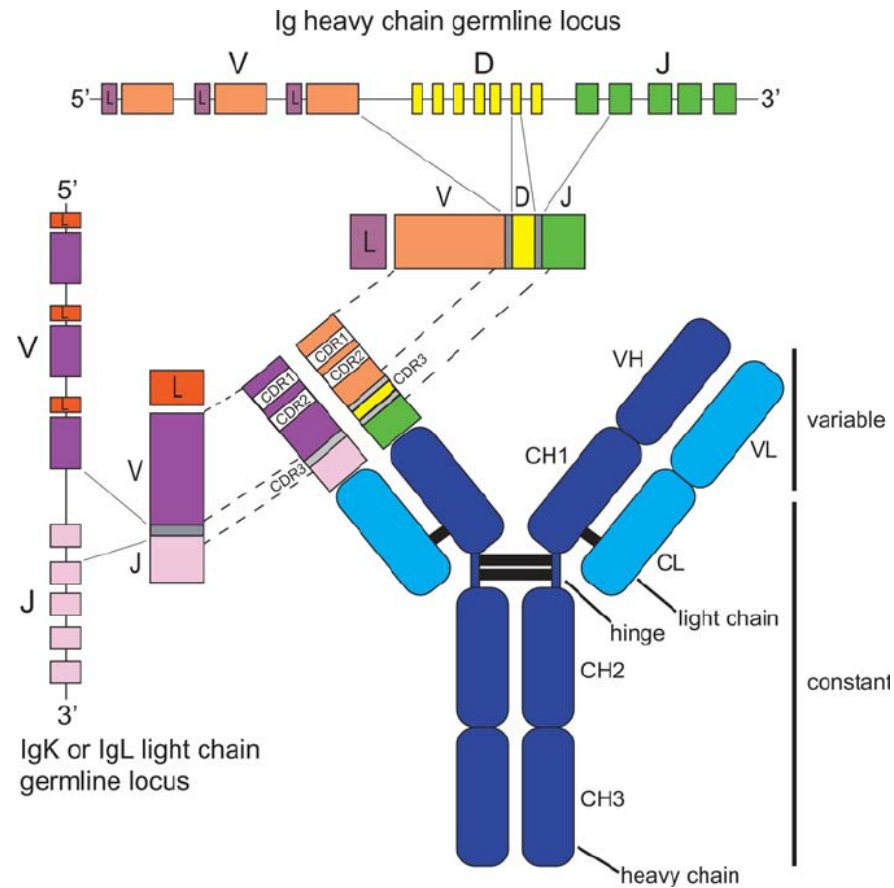


V regions are encoded by a pool of gene segments (V, D, J)

1. Combinatorial diversification
2. Joining
3. VH/VL pairing
4. Somatic Hypermutation

Boyd et al. 2014

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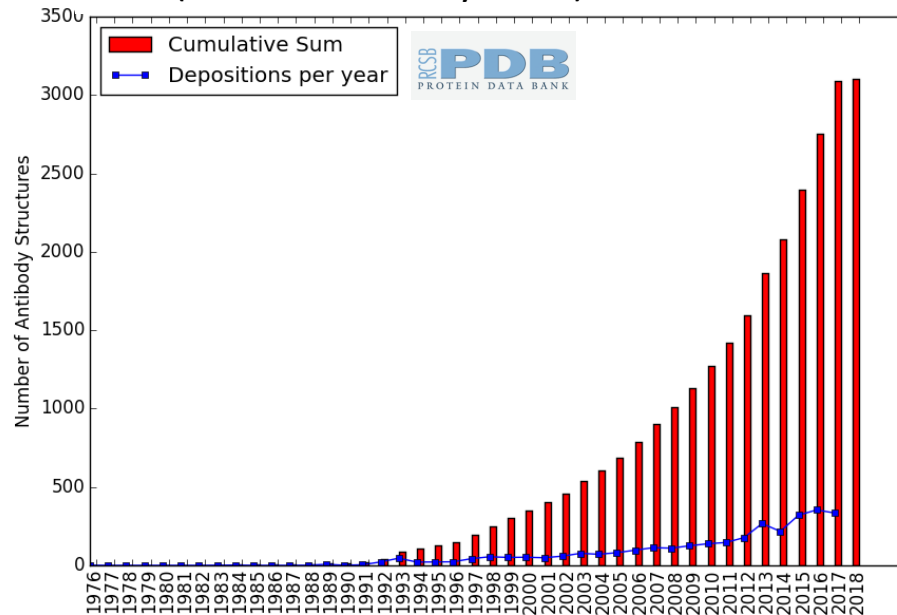


Human repertoire
> 10¹² different antibodies

Boyd et al. 2014

Available structural information

Number of Antibody Structures in PDB
(as of Wed 9 May 2018) from SabDab

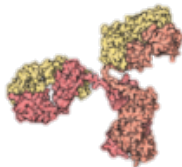


Human repertoire
> 10^{12} different antibodies

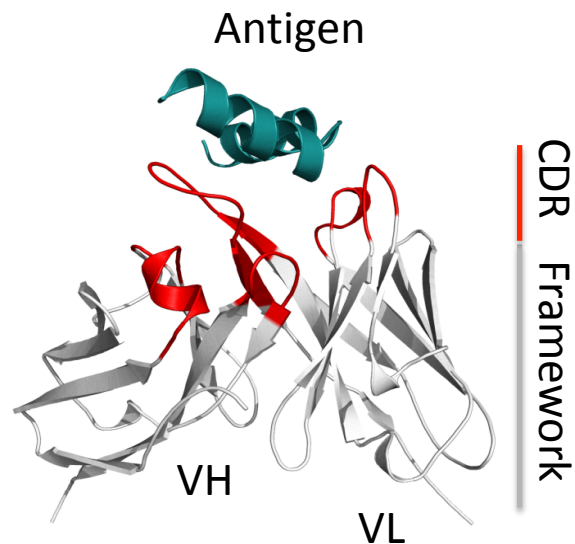
Total structures: **3125**

Paired VH/VL: **~2500**

In complex with antigens **~300**



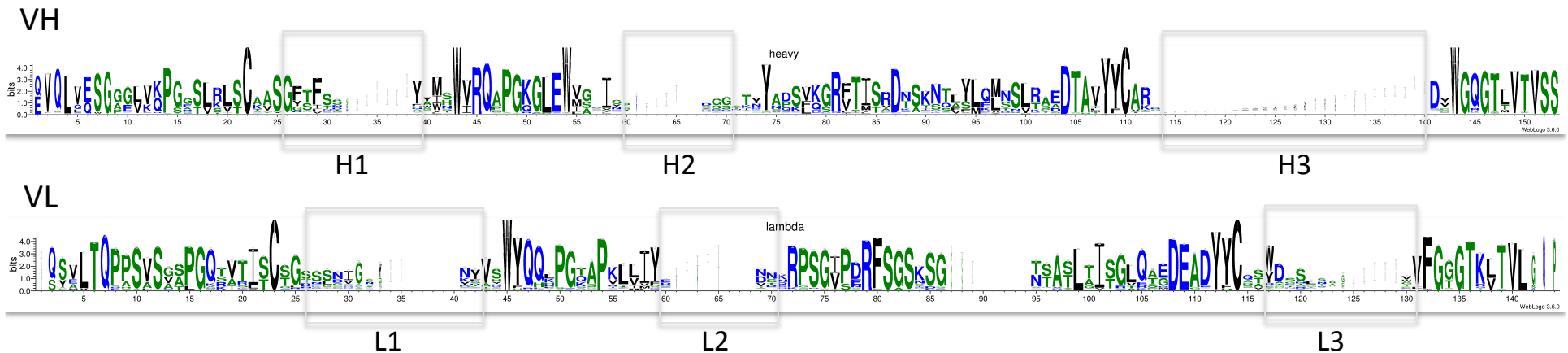
Variability clusters in CDR



Three hypervariable loops for each chain or **complementarity determining regions** or **CDR**

Antibody specificity arises from **length** and **sequence variation** of these regions

Conserved regions: **framework**

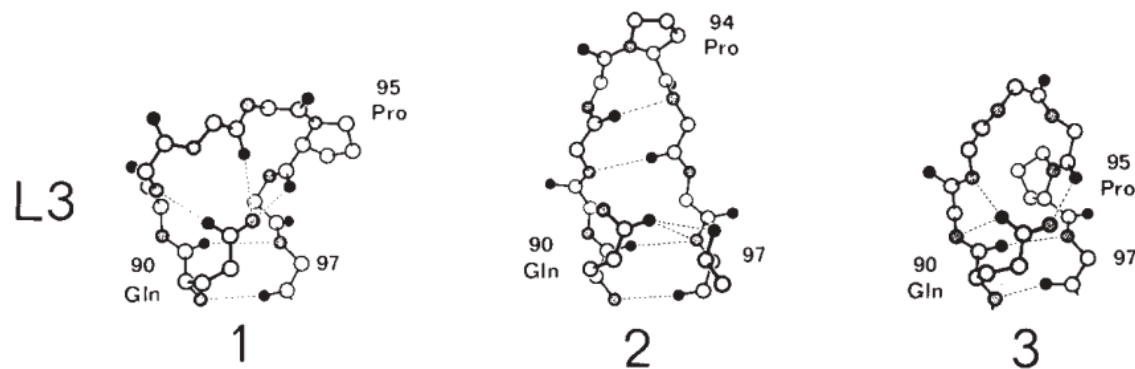


Canonical structure model

Hypervariable loops only exhibit a limited number of conformations or **canonical structures**

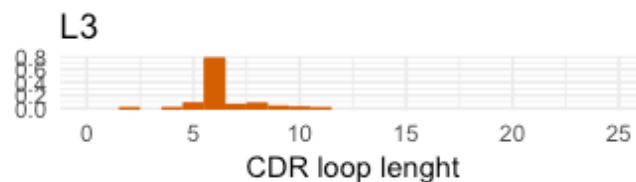
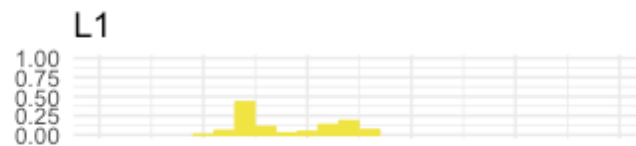
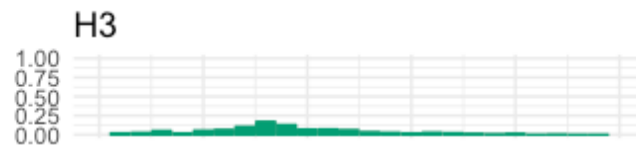
Key conserved residues at specific positions and the **length of the loop** determine the canonical structure

Hypervariable loop L3 canonical structure: Gln90, Pro94-95



Conformations of immunoglobulin hypervariable regions. Nature 1989

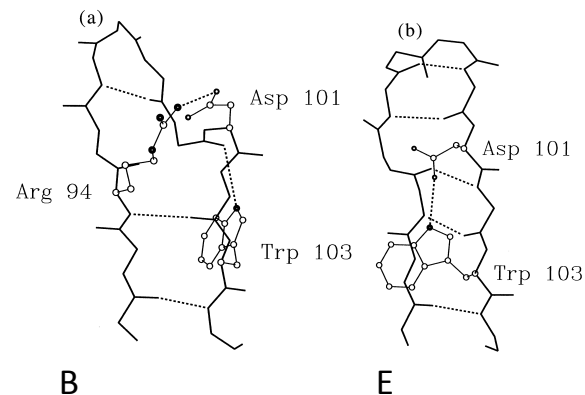
H3



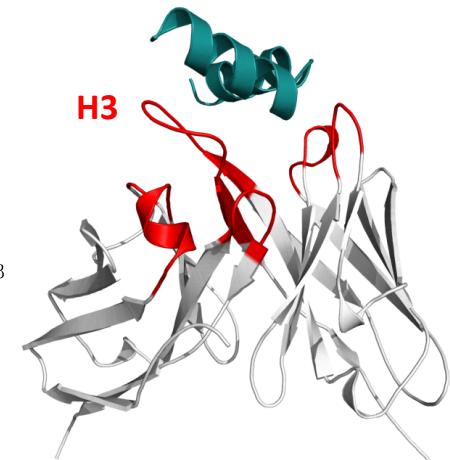
H3 is the most variable loop in terms of length, sequence composition and structure

Only a partial canonical structure identified:
Bulged / Extended

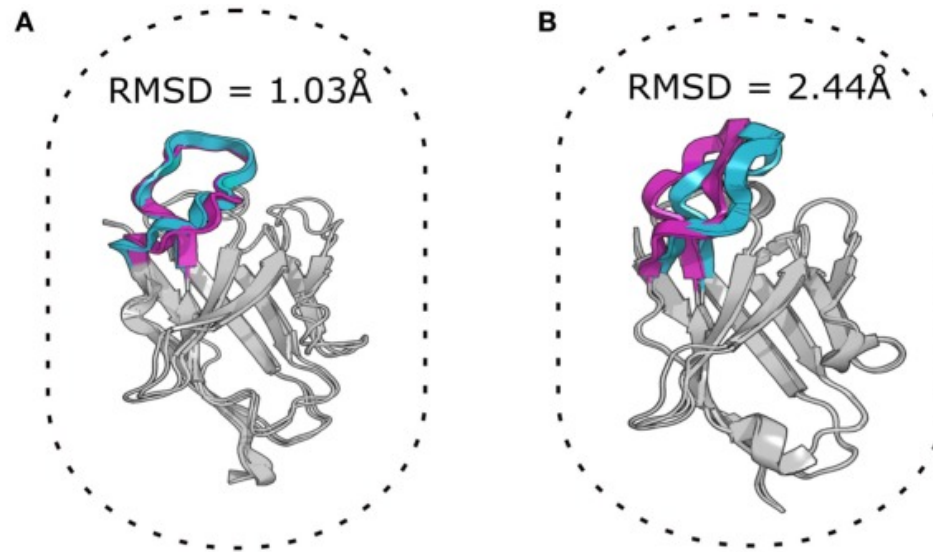
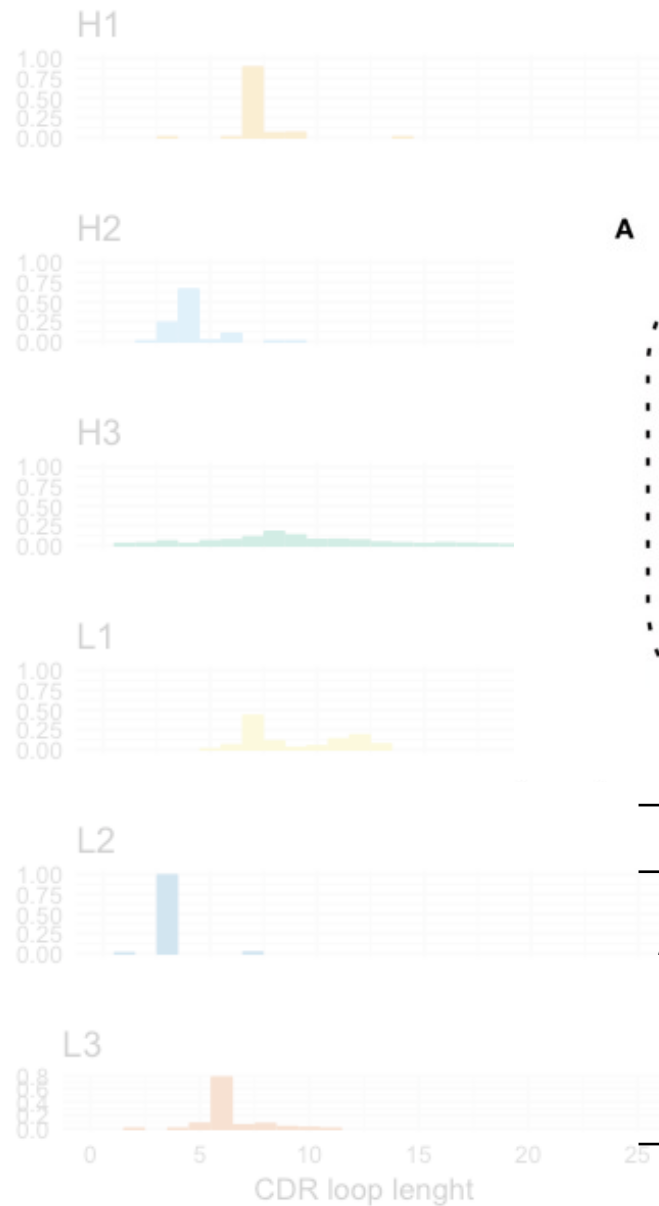
Head of the loop highly variable



Morea et al. J Mol Bio 1998



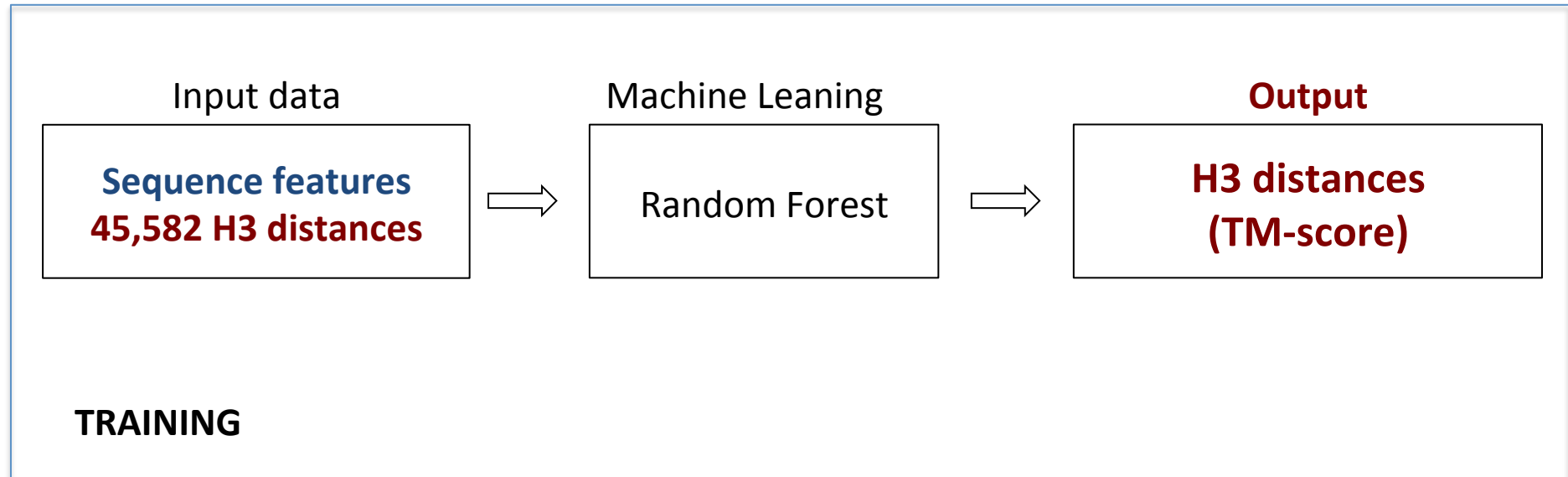
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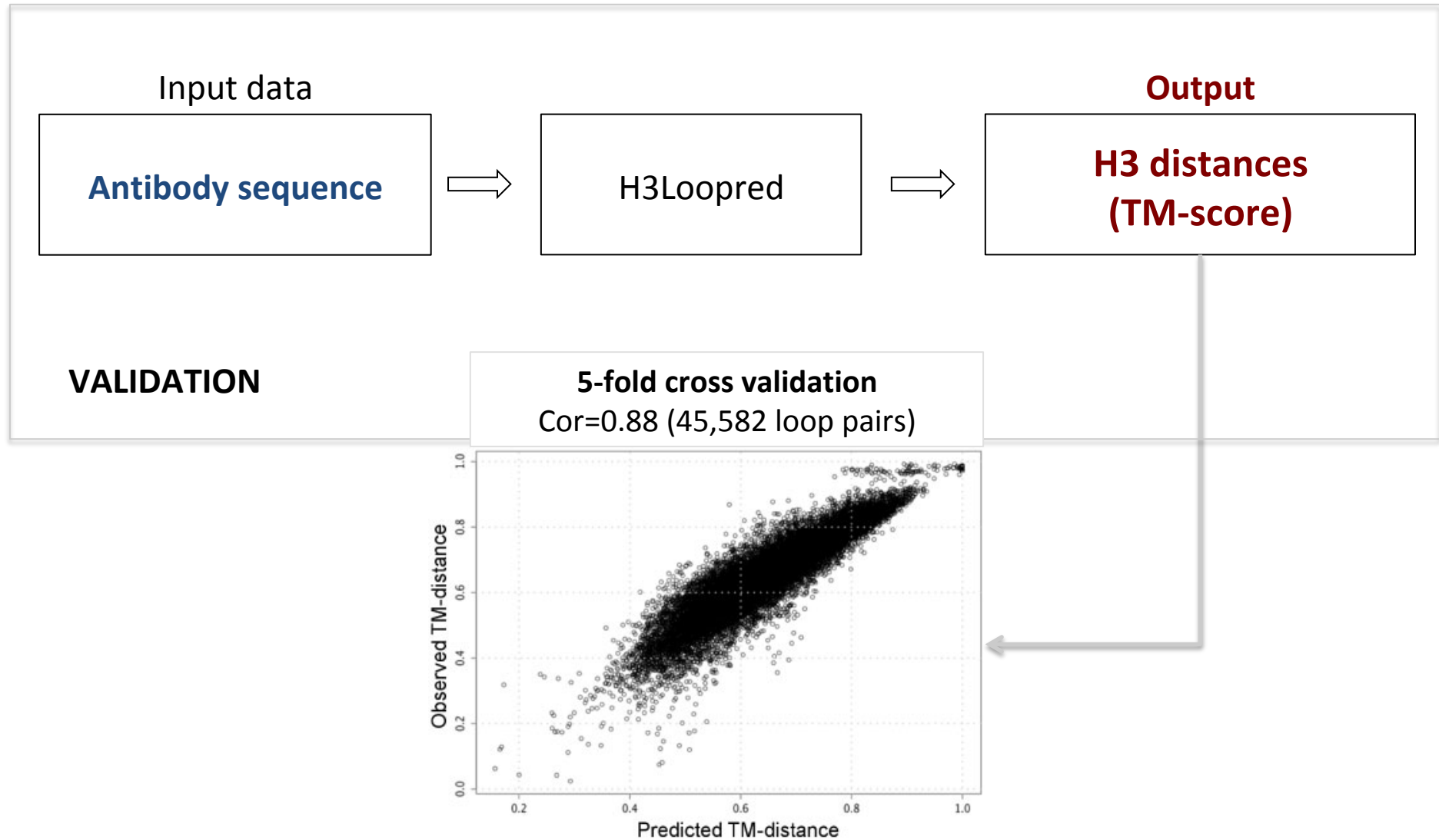
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	4SIS	VRTADCERDPCKGWVFP		
B	3U7W	TRGKYCTARDYYNWDFEH	88	2.44
	4JDV	ARGKYCTARDYYNWDFQH		

from Kovaltsuk et al., Front Immunol 2017

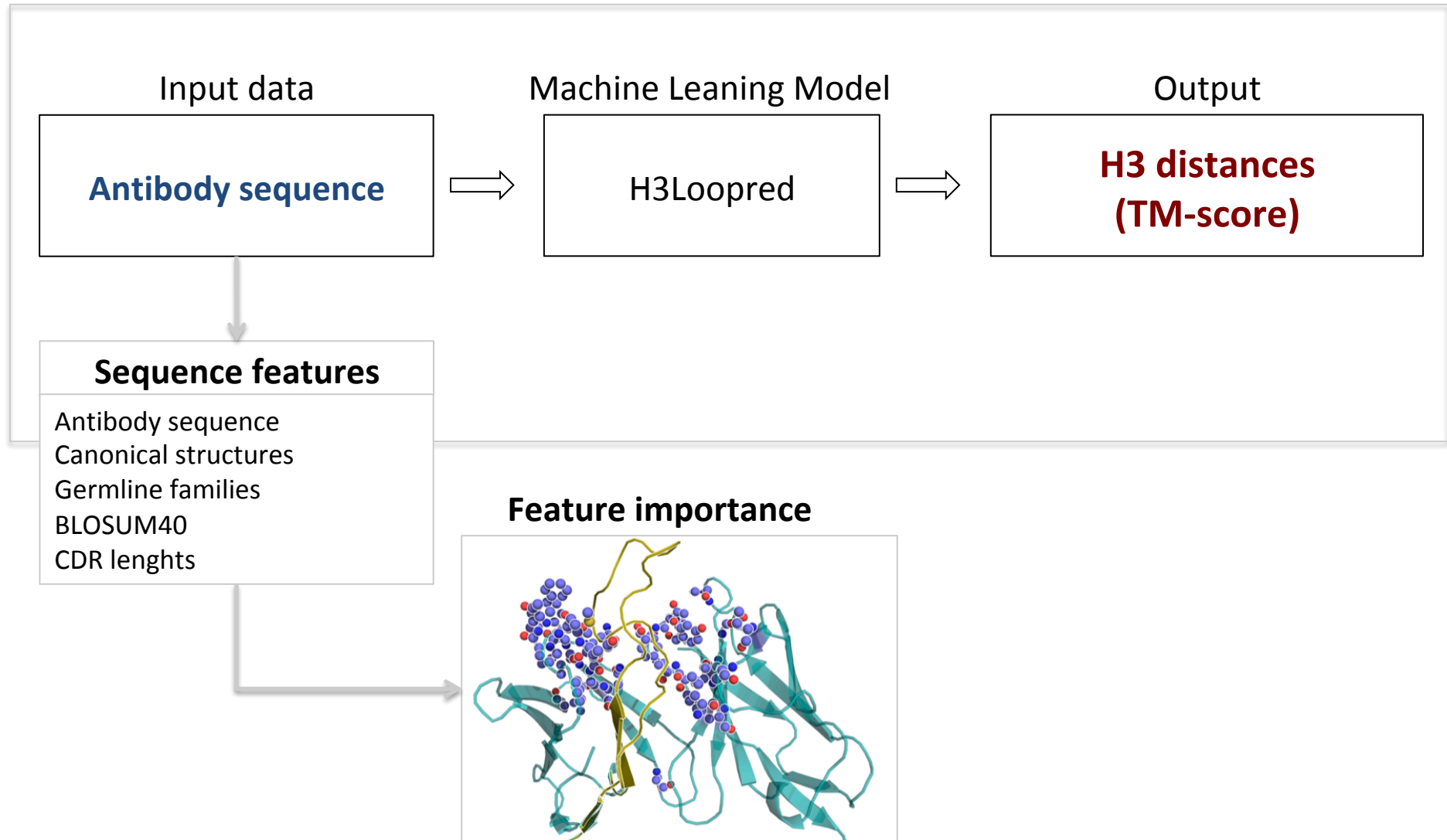
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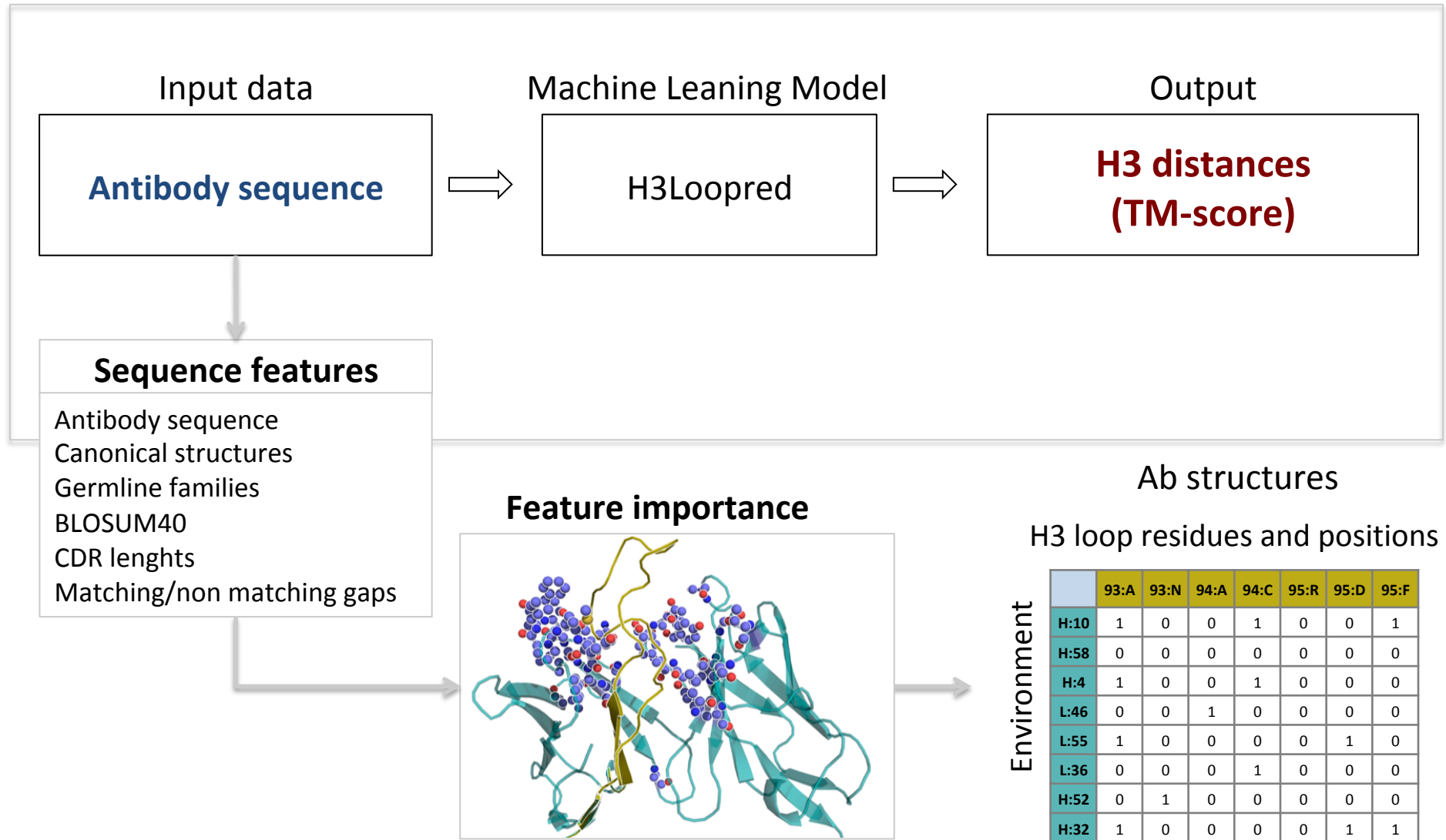
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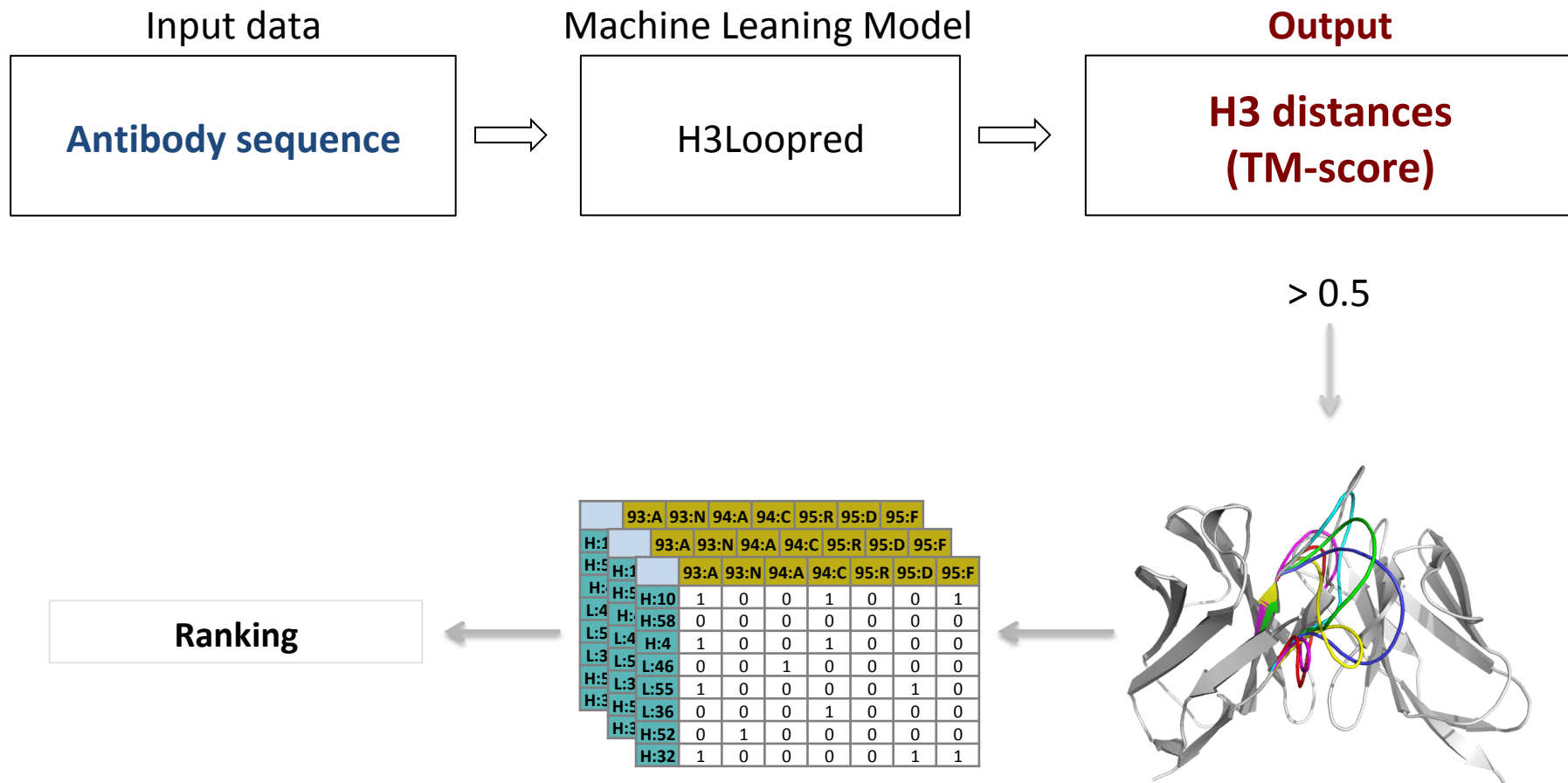
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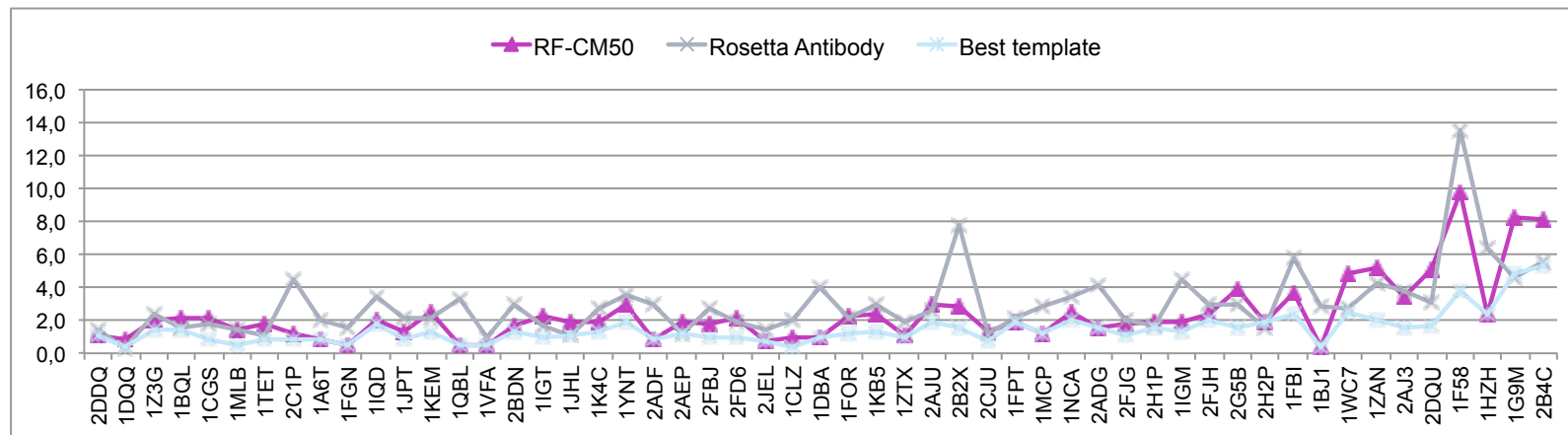
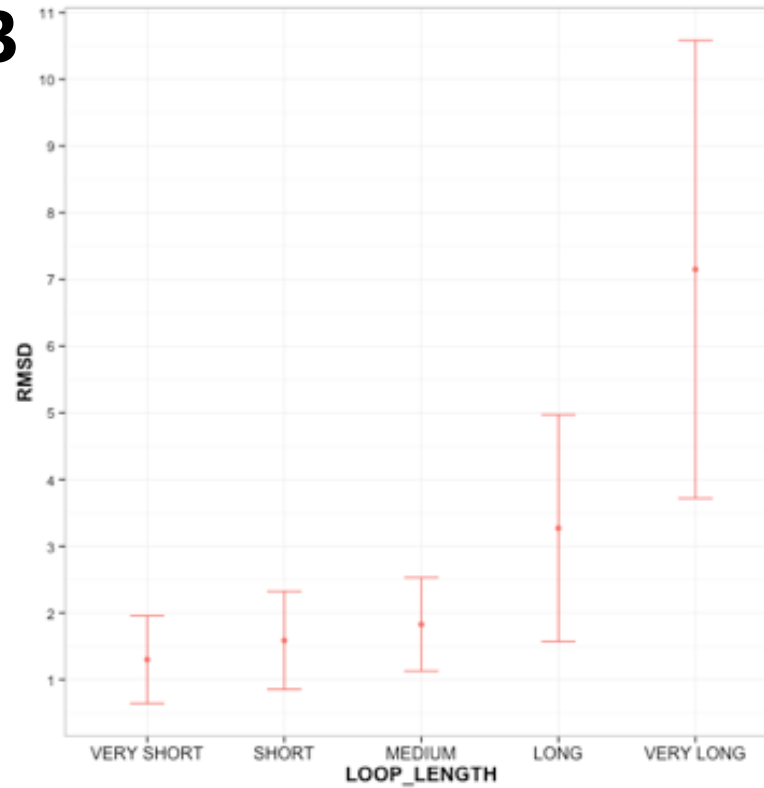
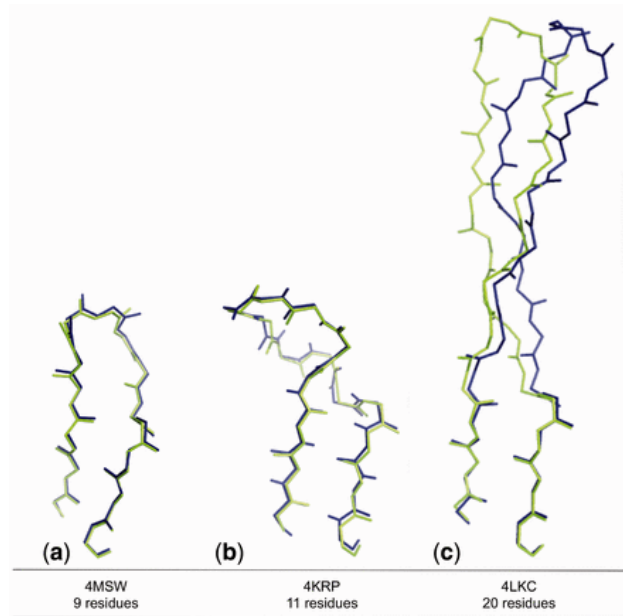
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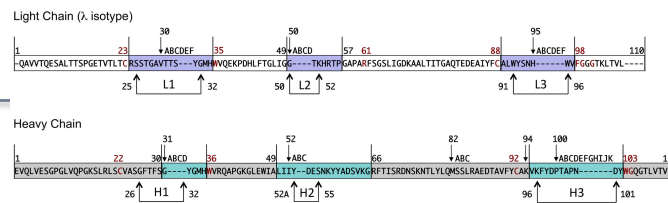
Prediction of Immunoglobulin Structures

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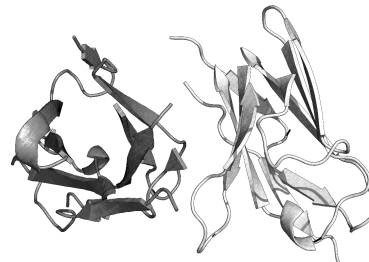
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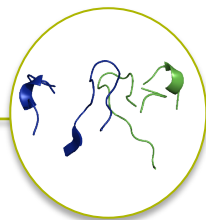
Immunoglobulin HMMs

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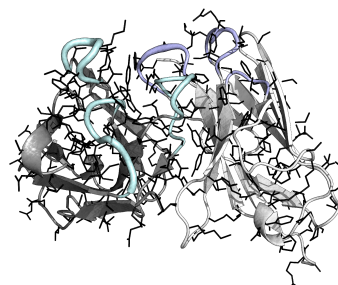
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Canonical structures

4. H3Loopred

& side chain modeling



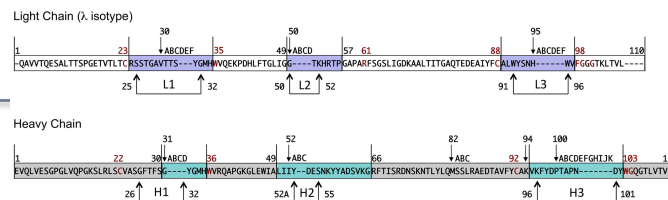
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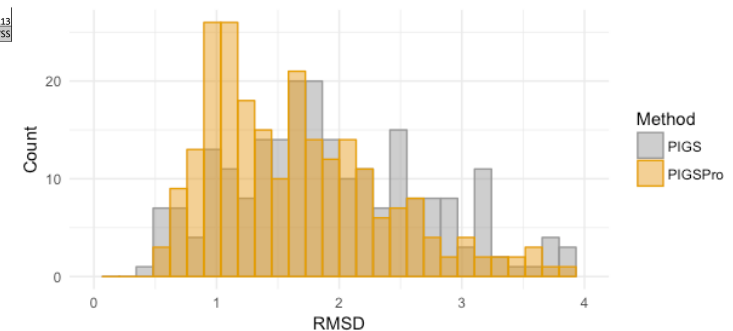
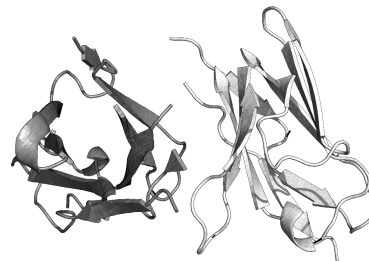
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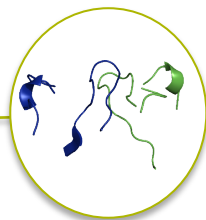
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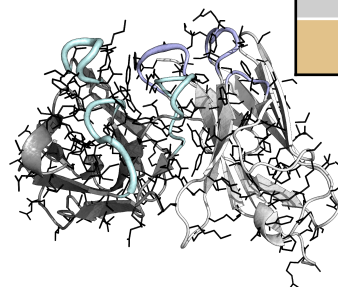


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	CDRS	H3	Non H3 loops
PIGS	2.21 ± 1.48	3.59 ± 2.93	1.36 ± 0.61
PIGSPro	<u>1.75 ± 0.95</u>	<u>2.41 ± 2.2</u>	1.34 ± 0.6

PIGSPro: prediction of immunoGlobulin structures v2
Lepore et al. Nucl Acids Res 2017

Prediction of Immunoglobulin Structures



P I G S Pro

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PIGSPRO is a web server for the automatic modeling of immunoglobulin variable domains based on the canonical structure method. It has a user-friendly and flexible interface, that allows the user to choose templates (for the frameworks and the loops) and modeling strategies in an automatic or manual fashion. Its final output is a complete three-dimensional model of the target antibody that can be downloaded or displayed on-line. The server is freely accessible to all.

Input data

Single sequence mode

Light chain sequence ? paste sequence or upload file [Upload Light](#)

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PDB Blacklist ? optional Project Title ? op

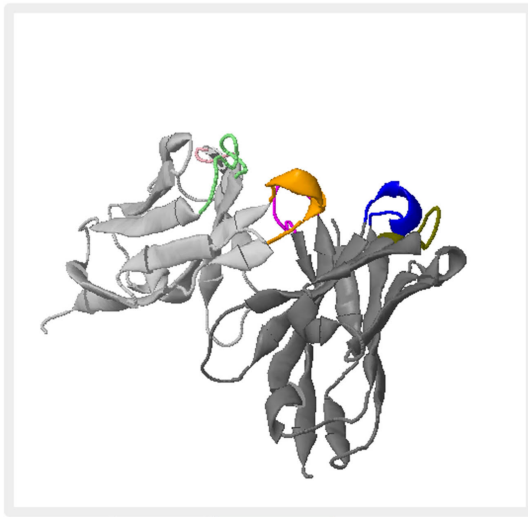
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Model details

Templates Light chain		
	PDB	CS
FRL	5az2	-
L1	5az2	2
L2	5az2	1
L3	2e27	0

Templates Heavy chain		
	PDB	CS
FRH	5az2	-
H1	5az2	1
H2	5az2	2
H3	3uyp	b

Selected modeling options
Loops: Keep loops with similar CS from template
Side chains: Transfer conserved + SCWRL



[Color CDR](#) [Cartoons](#) [Download PDB](#)

Light Chain Target - Template alignment

	1	10	20	30	40	50	52	62	74	84	94
target:	DIQMTQSPSSLSASLGKVTITCKANQDIK	KKIAWYQHKPGKGPLLIY	TS	TLKSGISSRFSGSGSG	RDYFSISNLEPEDAATYYCLQ	YDNFT					
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Heavy Chain Target - Template alignment

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<http://biocomputing.it/pigspiro>

SWISS-MODEL: comparative modelling of protein structures and complexes



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Paste your target sequence(s) or UniProtKB AC here

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Validate

Project Title: Untitled Project

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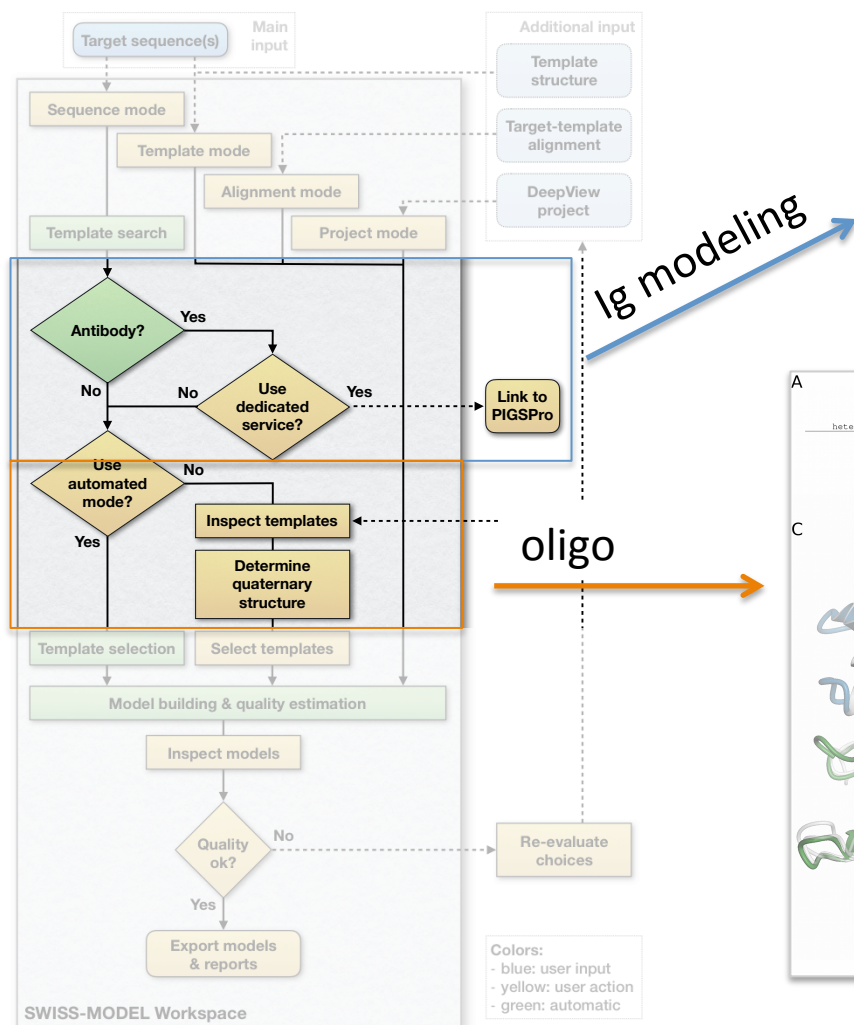
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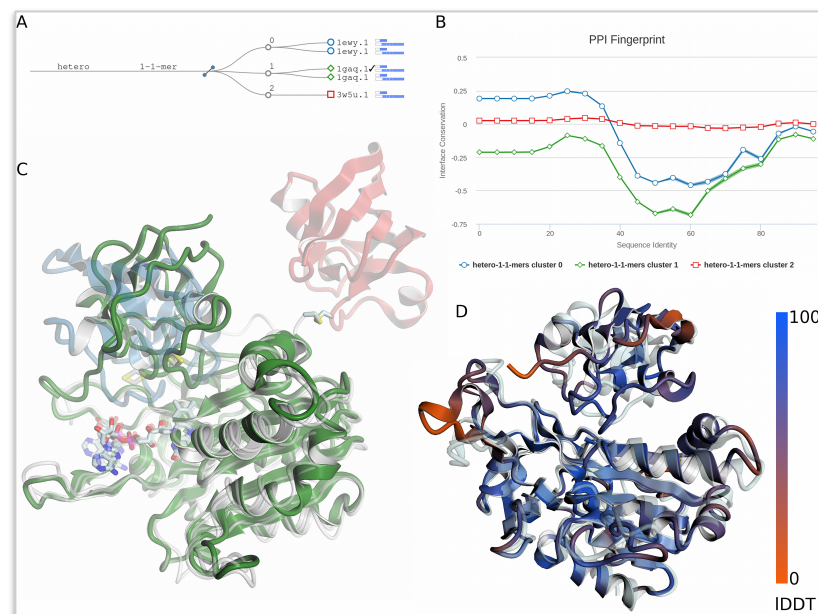
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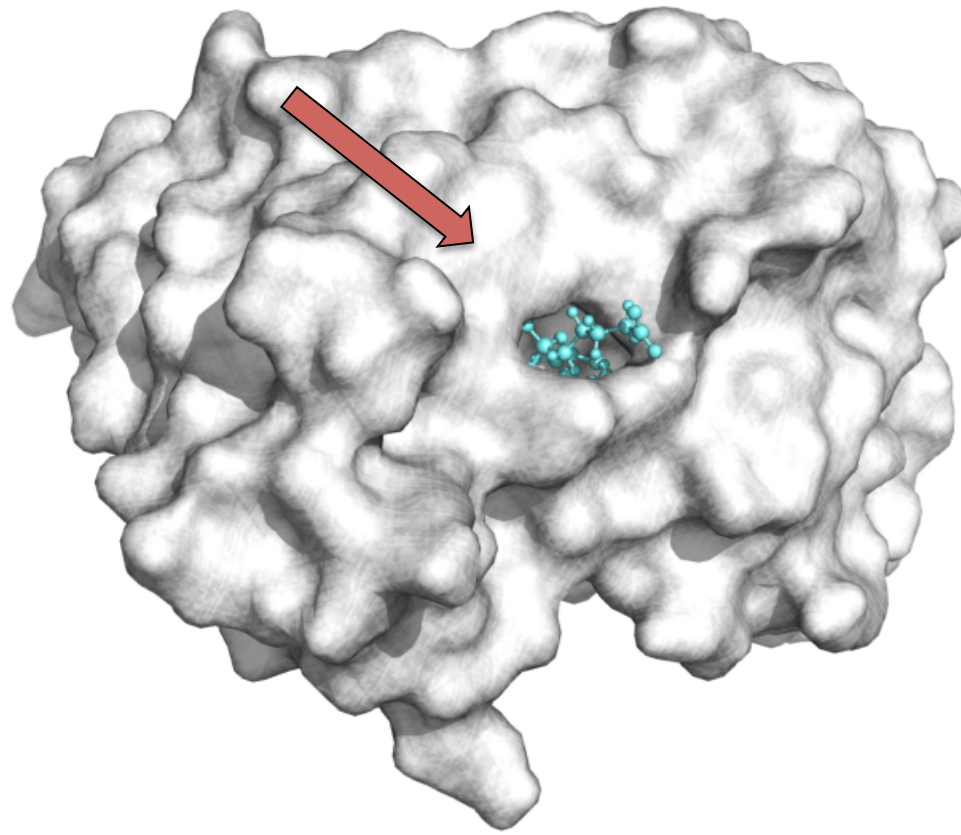


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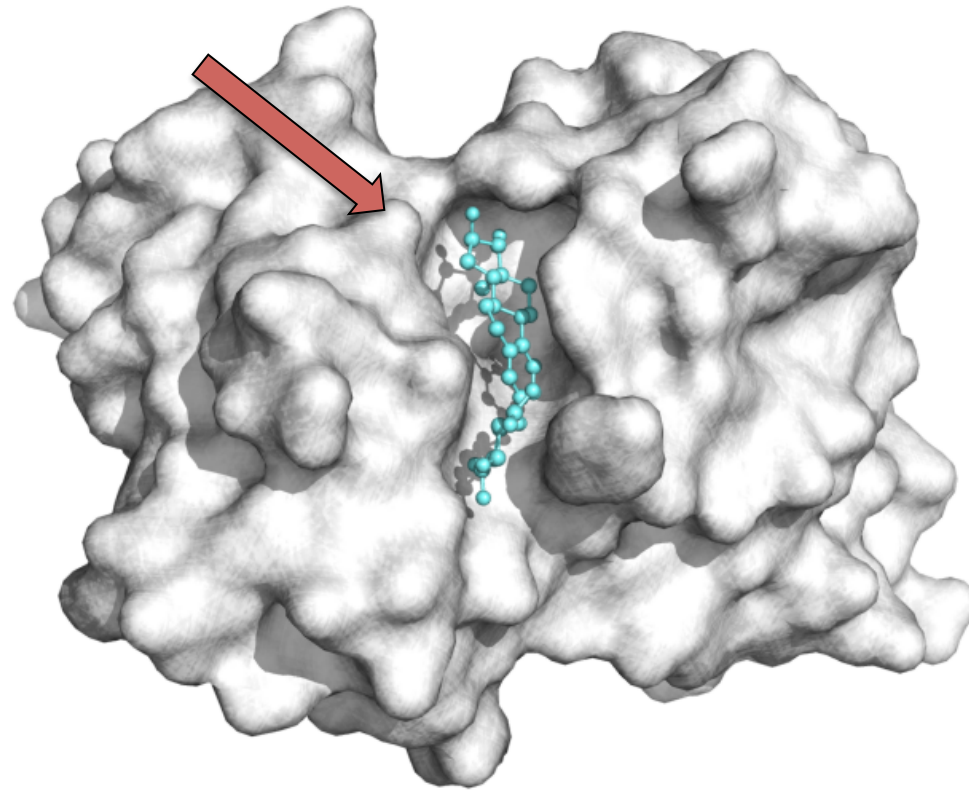


Waterhouse et al. Nucl Acids Res 2018

CDR structure vs function



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JOC *Article*

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Shape analysis and specificity of CDR

Different loops forming the binding site can have **different length and structures** and yet result in a **similar binding site** surface

Aim is to **compare the actual surface** rather than the atomic coordinates of the CDRs

3D Zernike polynomials

Image retrieval



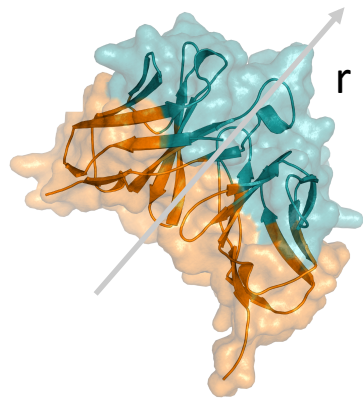
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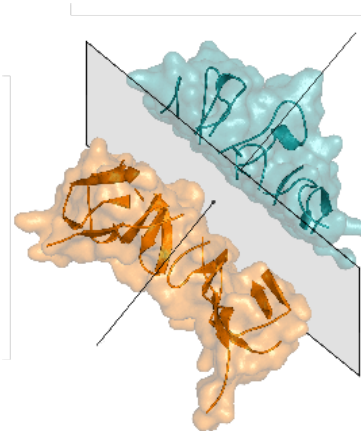
“descriptive power providing a basis for similarity measure between three-dimensional objects which is close to the human notion of resemblance”

Novotni and Klein. ACM Symposium on Solid Modeling and Applications, 2003

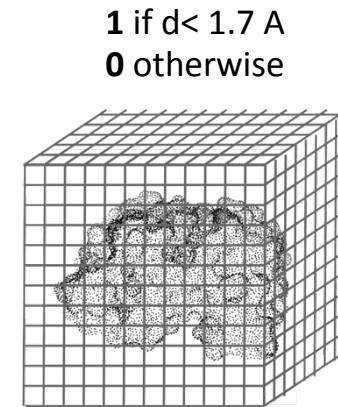
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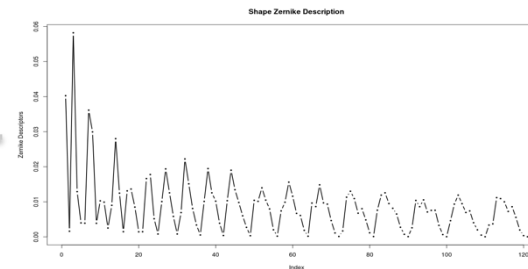
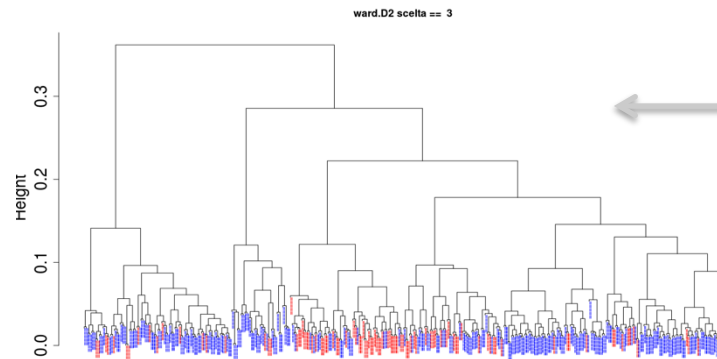
Centroids of conserved amino acids coordinates



Plane perpendicular to **CDR**



Voxelization of the CDR surface

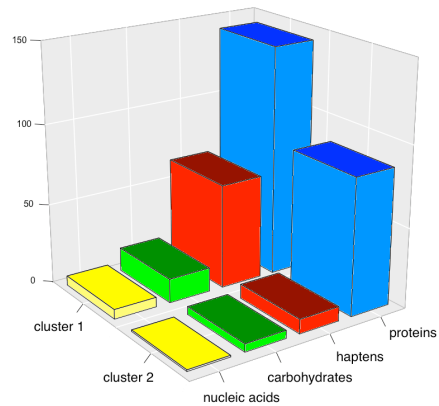


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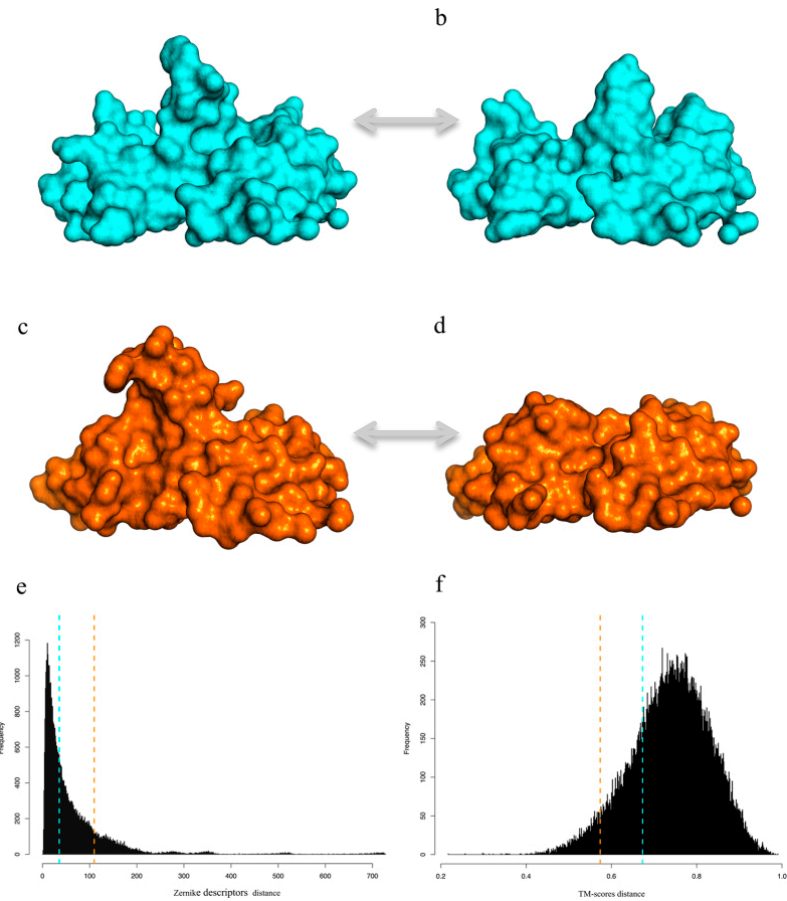
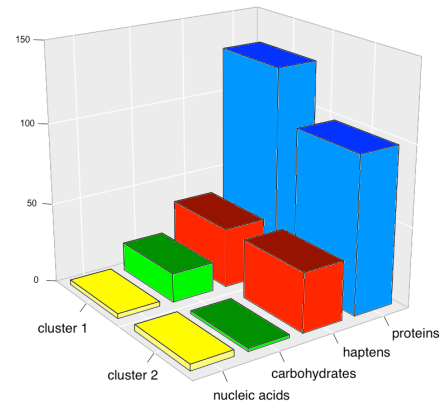
Shape describes CDR similarities better than TM

Dataset: 329 non redundant antibodies in complex with antigens

Shape similarity



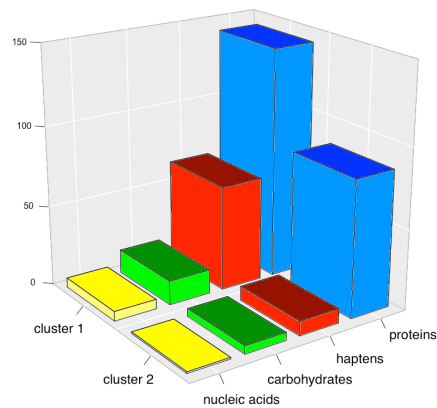
Structure similarity (TM-score)



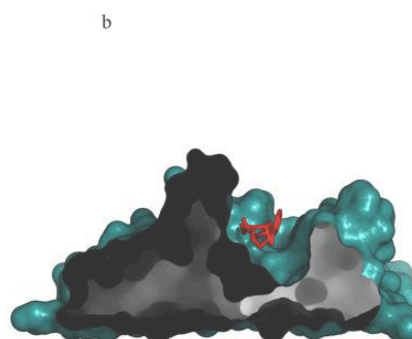
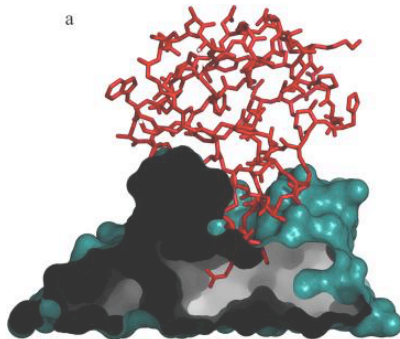
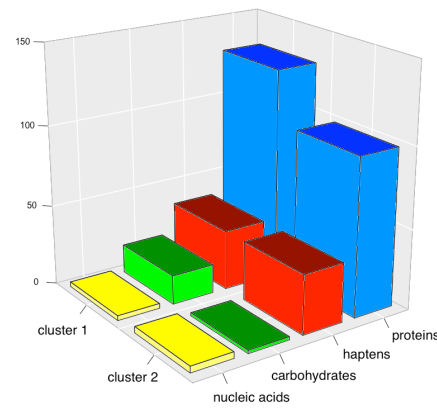
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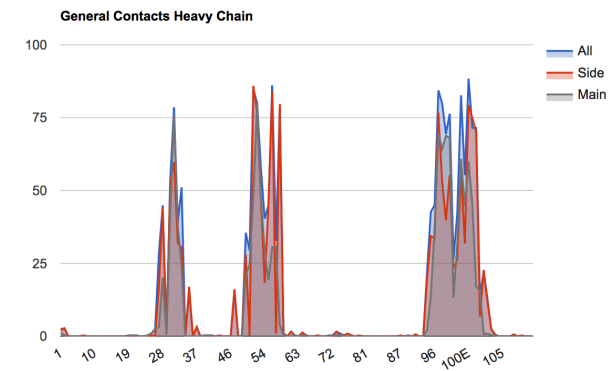
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Predicted Antibody contacts



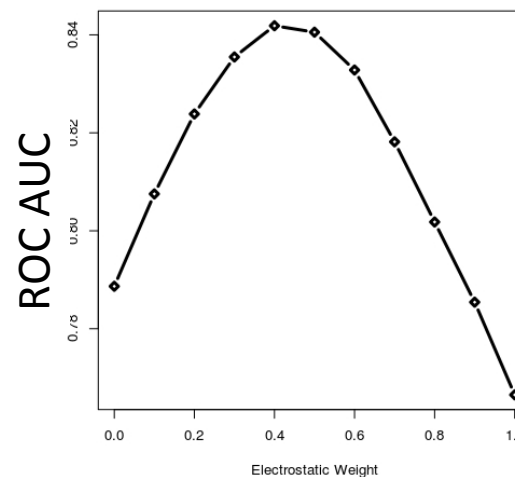
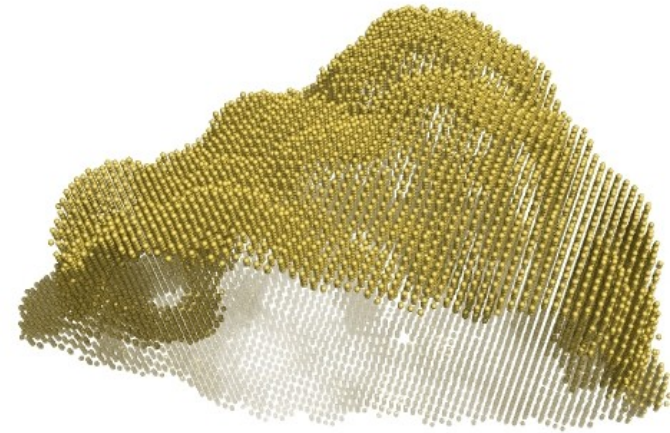
Accuracy ~ 76%

Shape analysis and specificity of CDR

Better definition of CDR shape: no artificial plane

~70% accuracy based on shape only

78% accuracy including electrostatic potential



Area under the curve

