

# Artificial Intelligence Applications in Computational Biology

4D Genome, Precision Medicine, and Systems Pharmacology

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# Two major groups of computations:

## Systems Pharmacology

- Input: data on protein-small molecule interactions
- Output: drug – protein – pathway mapping, including repurposable drugs and side effects in the cell
- Provides a systems level view

## Genome-Scale Modeling

- Proteome/genome-scale, or 'omics' data
- Broad range of applications, from precision medicine to disease networks
- High predictive power, but no insights into mechanisms/causality unless complemented by physics-based models

# REFERENCE



Available online at [www.sciencedirect.com](http://www.sciencedirect.com)

**ScienceDirect**

Current Opinion in  
**Structural Biology**

## **Mutually beneficial confluence of structure-based modeling of protein dynamics and machine learning methods**

Anupam Banerjee<sup>1</sup>, Satyaki Saha<sup>1</sup>, Nathan C. Tvedt<sup>1,2</sup>,  
Lee-Wei Yang<sup>3,4</sup> and Ivet Bahar<sup>1</sup>



Banerjee, Saha et al. (2023) *Curr Opin Struct Biol* 78:102517

# Molecular properties

# Observables

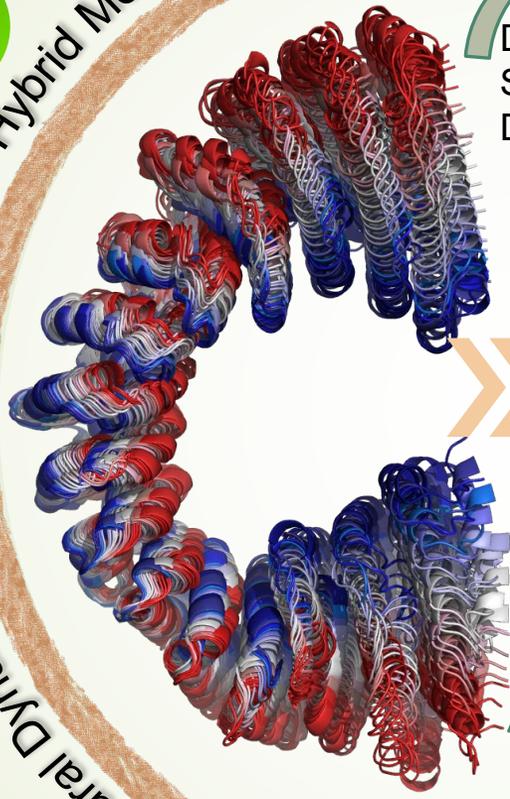
Spatial covariance

Ensemble of Conformations

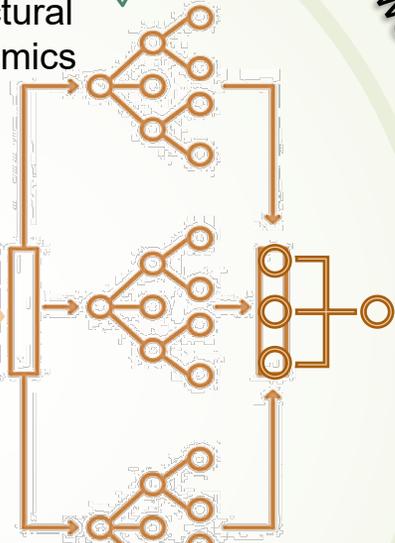
Spectrum of collective motions

Allosteric Signaling Mechanisms

Structural Dynamics from MD, ENMs, or Hybrid Models



Data on Structural Dynamics



ML tools for data analysis

ML Frameworks that utilize Structural Dynamics data

Pathogenicity

Kinetics

Stability

Binding Affinity

Functional inferences

# Plan

## Quantitative Systems Pharmacology

- Druggability simulations, pharmacophore modeling for drug discovery
- ML/AI-based assessment of alternative drugs, systems-level effects

## Genome/Proteome-Scale Models and Predictions

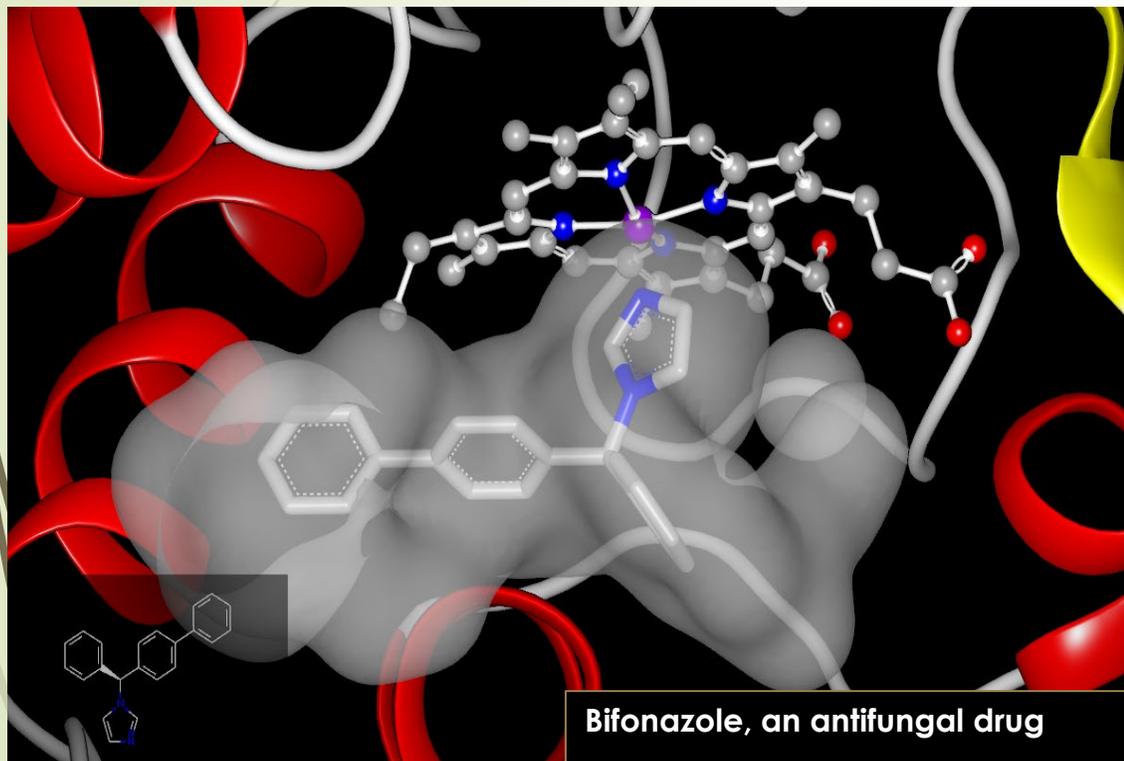
- ML-based prediction of the pathogenicity of point mutations and deletions
- 4D modeling the structure and dynamics of the genome



# **Quantitative Systems Pharmacology (QSP)**

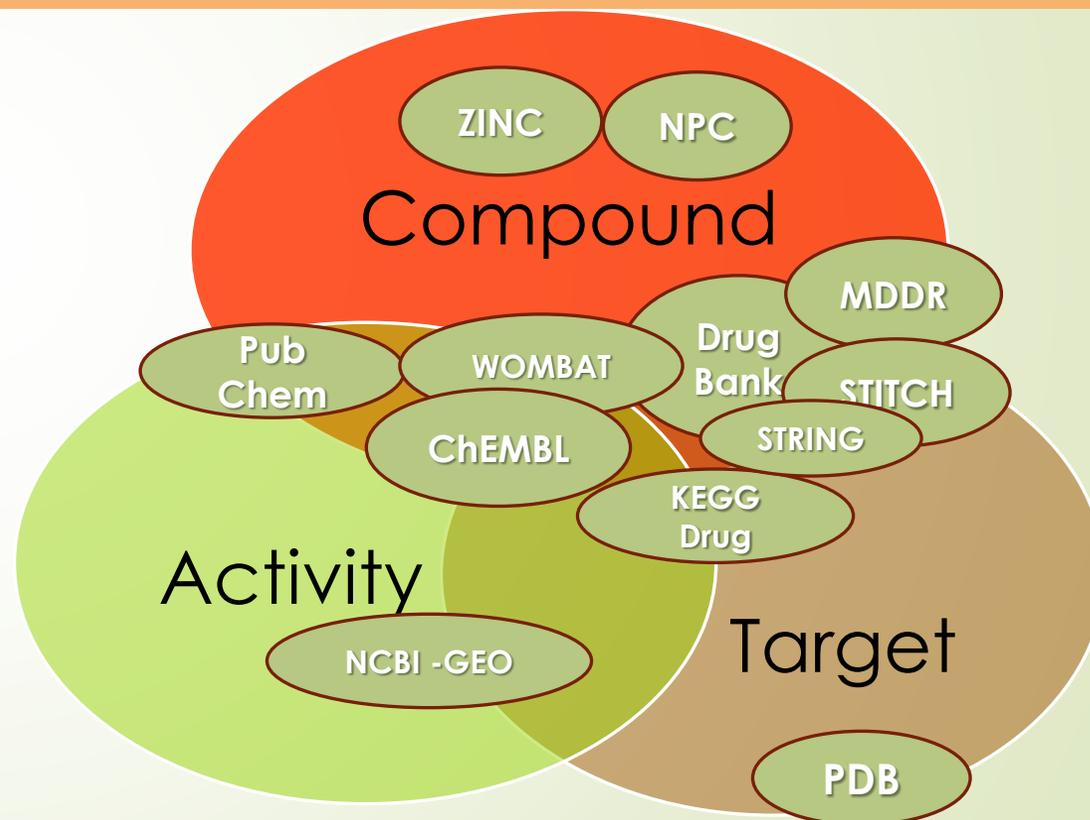
# Two major groups of QSP computations:

## Modeling & Simulations

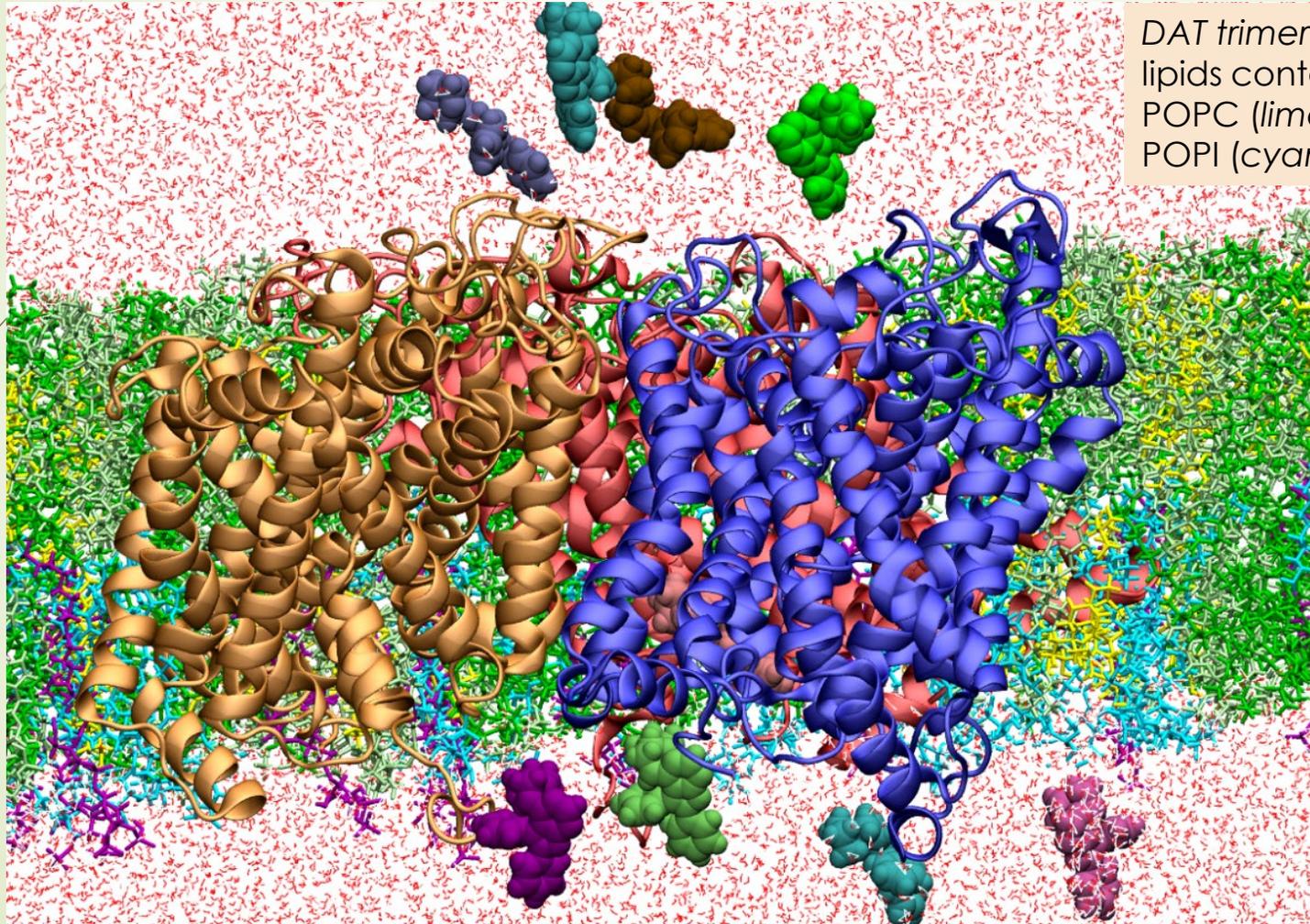


Bakan A, Kapralov AA, Bayir H, Hu F, Kagan VE, Bahar I (2015) [Inhibition of Peroxidase Activity of Cytochrome c: De Novo Compound Discovery and Validation](#) *Mol Pharmacol* **88**: 421-7

## Data-driven Analyses



# Druggability simulations



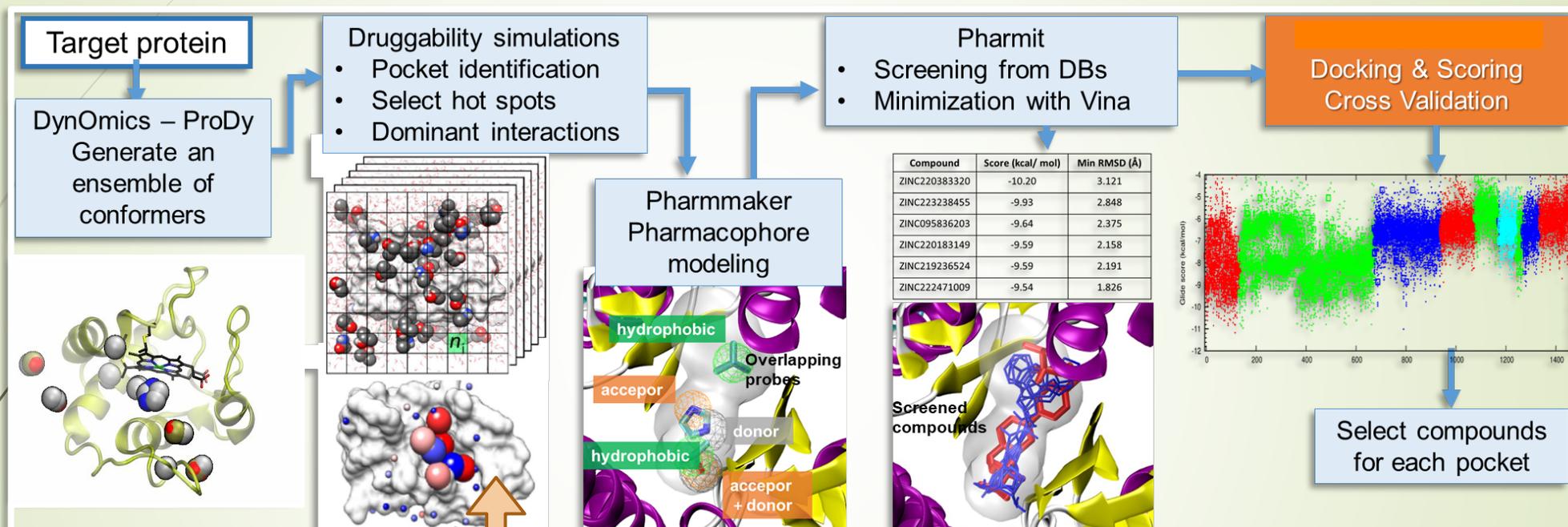
DAT trimer embedded into neuronal lipids containing POPE (green), POPC (lime), cholesterol (yellow), POPI (cyan), and PIP2 (purple).

# Trimerization of Dopamine Transporter Triggered by AIM-100 Binding: Molecular Mechanisms and Effect of Mutations



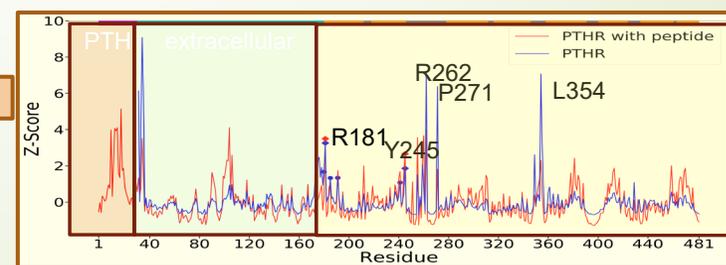
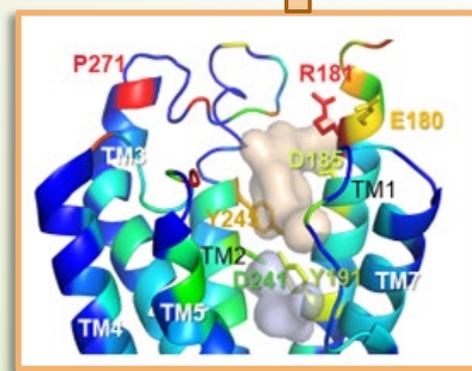
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# ProDy pipeline for identifying druggable sites and building pharmacophore models

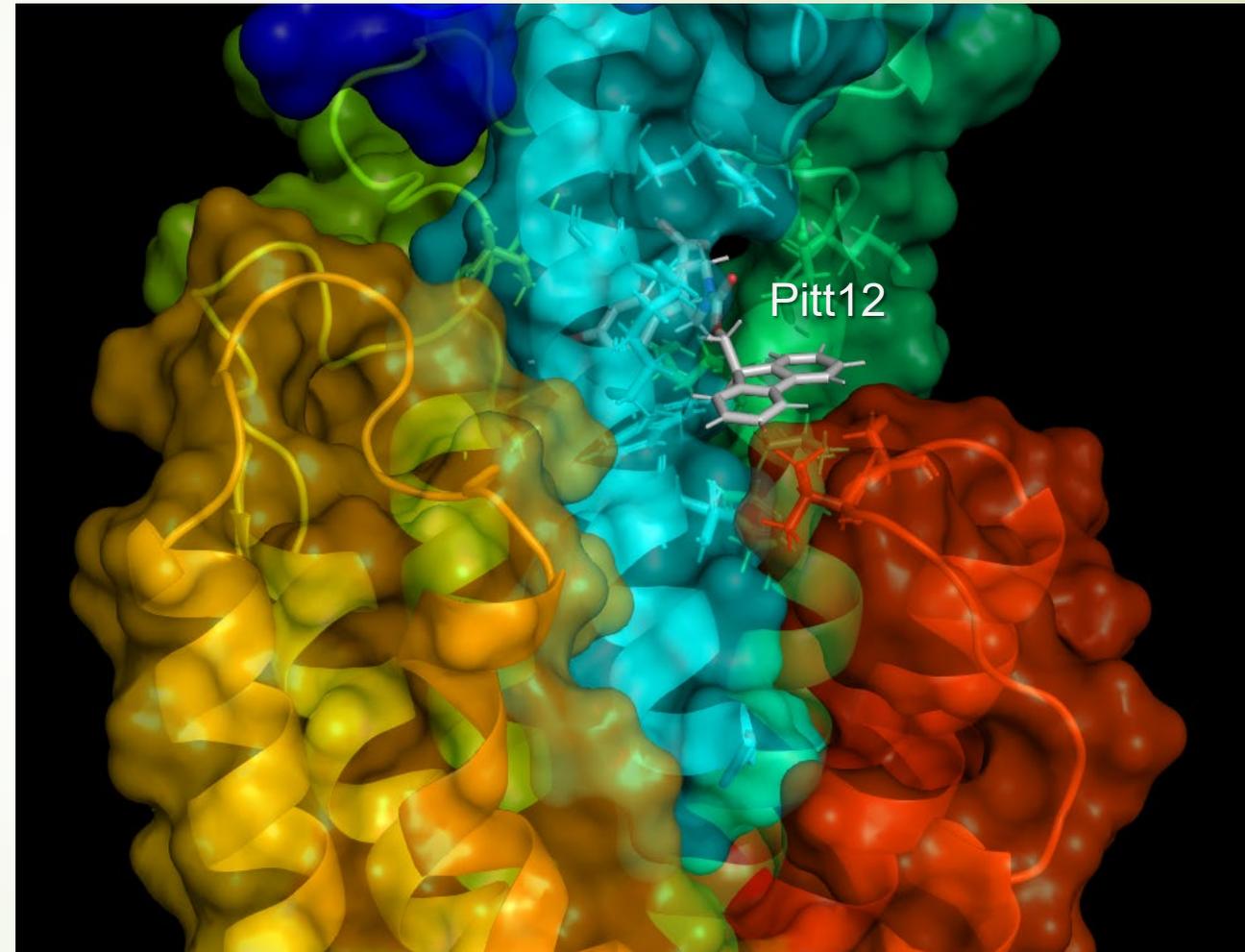
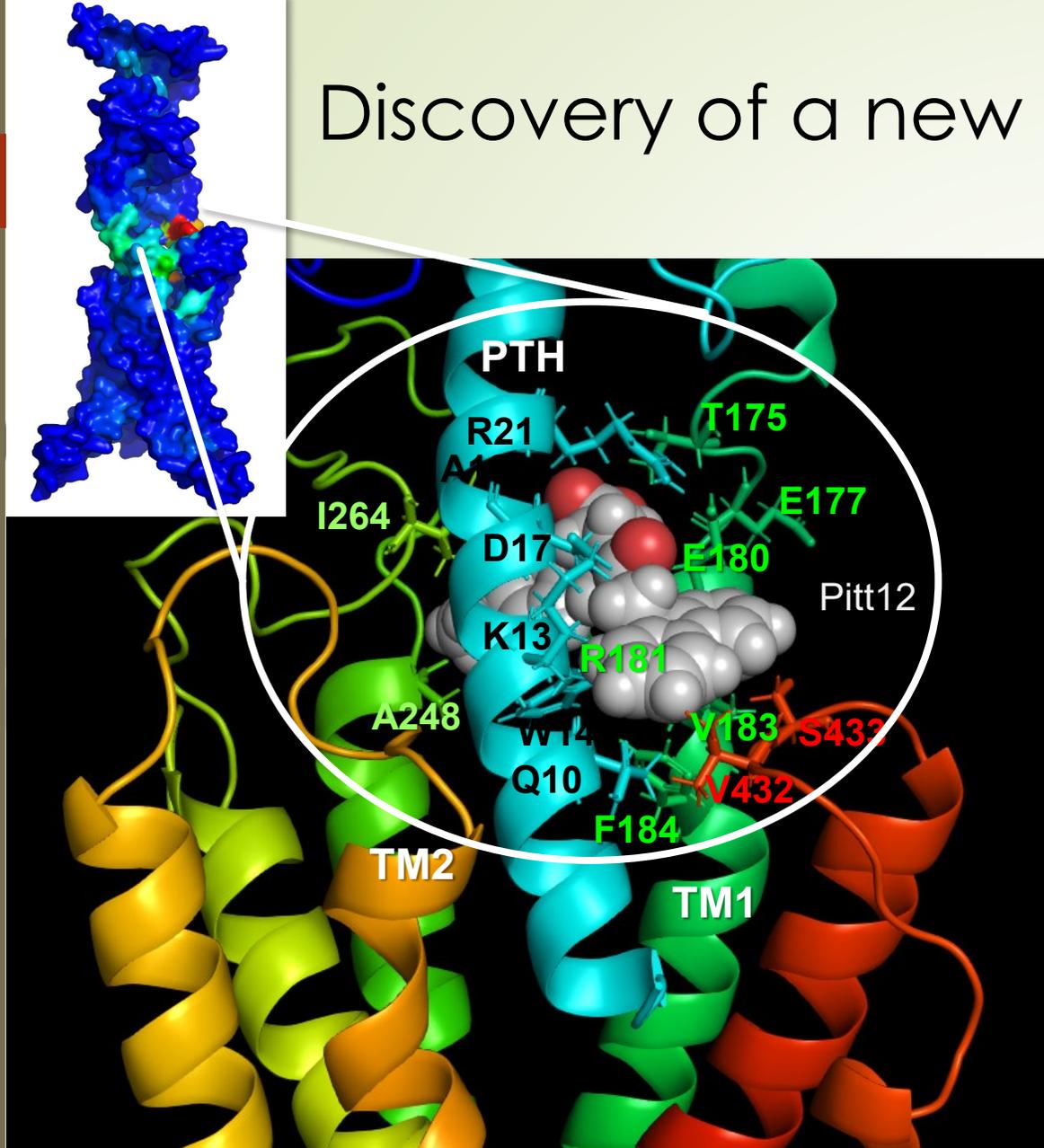


Druggability simulations: Bakan et al (2012) *JCTC*  
Pharmacophore modeling: Lee et al (2020) *Protein Sci*

ESSA for selecting essential sites from amongst druggable sites  
Kaynak et al (2020) *Comp Struct Biotech J*



# Discovery of a new modulator of PTHR signaling



Structure-guided identification of druggable allosteric sites in receptors (such as this Class B GPCR) can aid the design of novel therapeutic candidates for metabolic diseases,

## Allosteric interactions in the parathyroid hormone GPCR–arrestin complex formation

Lisa J. Clark<sup>1,2,†</sup>, James Krieger<sup>3,†</sup>, Alex D. White<sup>1,4</sup>, Vasyi Bondarenko<sup>5</sup>, Saifei Lei<sup>1</sup>, Fei Fang<sup>1</sup>, Ji Young Lee<sup>3</sup>, Pemra Doruker<sup>3</sup>, Thore Böttke<sup>6</sup>, Frederic Jean-Alphonse<sup>1</sup>, Pei Tang<sup>1,3,5</sup>, Thomas J. Gardella<sup>7</sup>, Kunhong Xiao<sup>1</sup>, Ieva Sutkeviciute<sup>1</sup>, Irene Coin<sup>6</sup>, Ivet Bahar<sup>3,\*</sup>, Jean-Pierre Vilardaga<sup>1,\*</sup>



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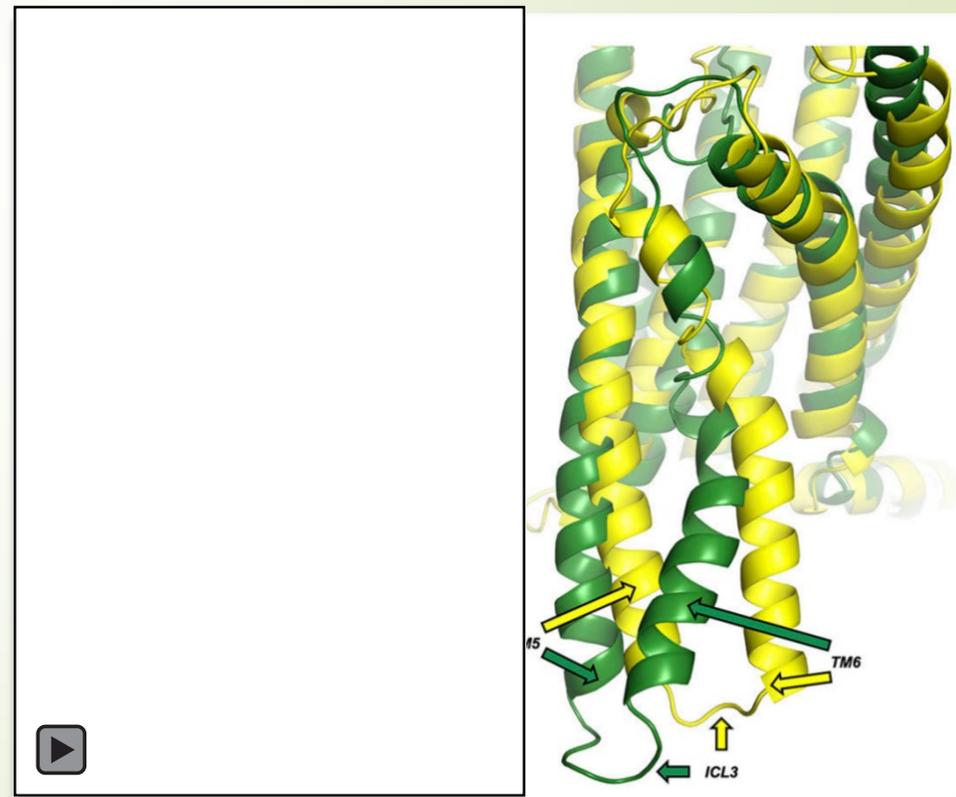
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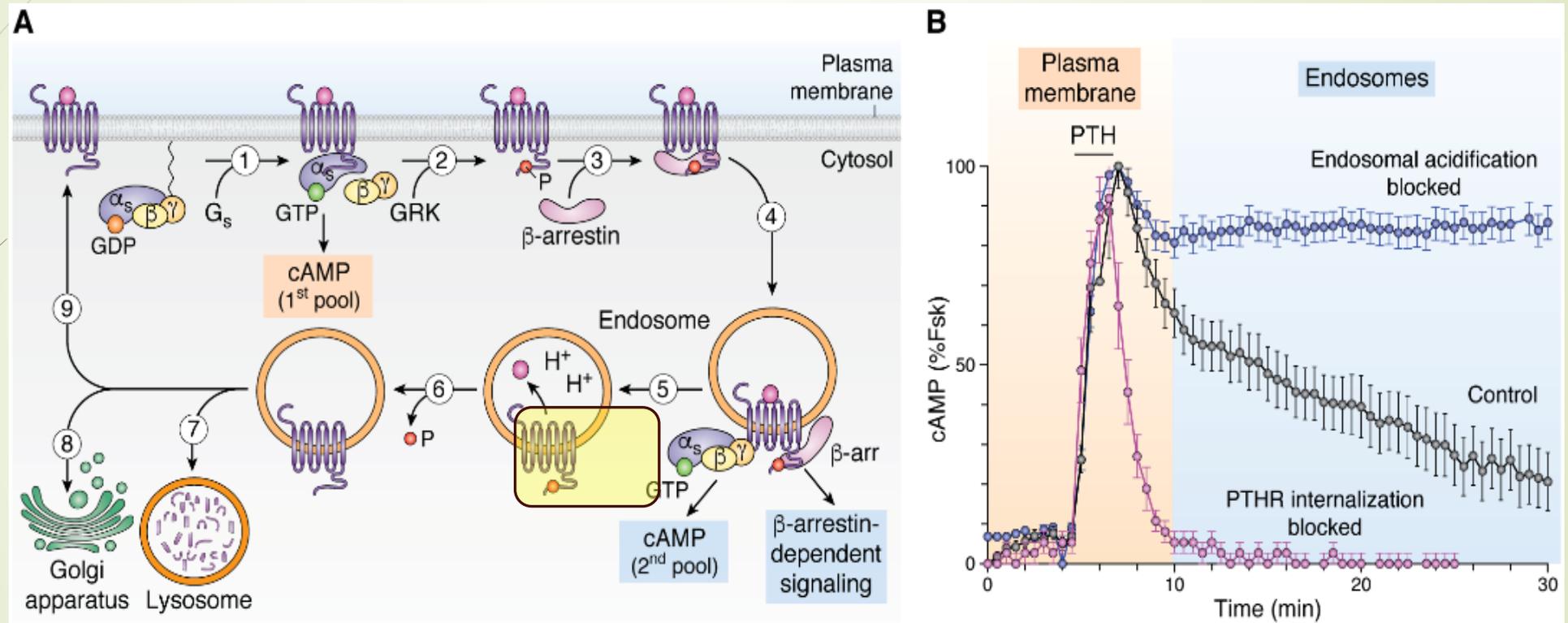
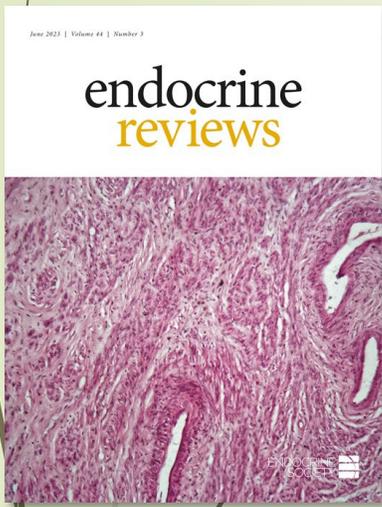
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## Precise druggability of the PTH type 1 receptor

Ieva Sutkeviciute<sup>1</sup>✉, Ji Young Lee<sup>2,9</sup>, Alex D. White<sup>1,9</sup>, Christian Santa Maria<sup>3</sup>, Karina A. Peña<sup>1</sup>, Sofya Savransky<sup>1,4</sup>, Pemra Doruker<sup>2</sup>, Hongchun Li<sup>2,6</sup>, Saifei Lei<sup>1,7</sup>, Burak Kaynak<sup>2</sup>, Chialing Tu<sup>3</sup>, Lisa J. Clark<sup>1,8</sup>, Subramaniam Sanker<sup>1</sup>, Thomas J. Gardella<sup>5</sup>, Wenhan Chang<sup>3</sup>, Ivet Bahar<sup>2</sup>✉ and Jean-Pierre Vilardaga<sup>1</sup>✉



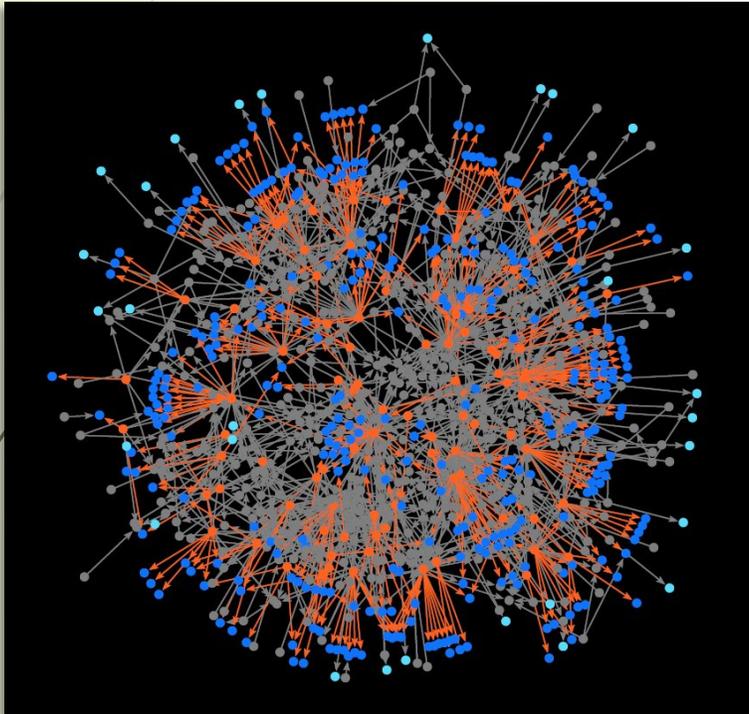
# PTHr signaling and prolonged cAMP production



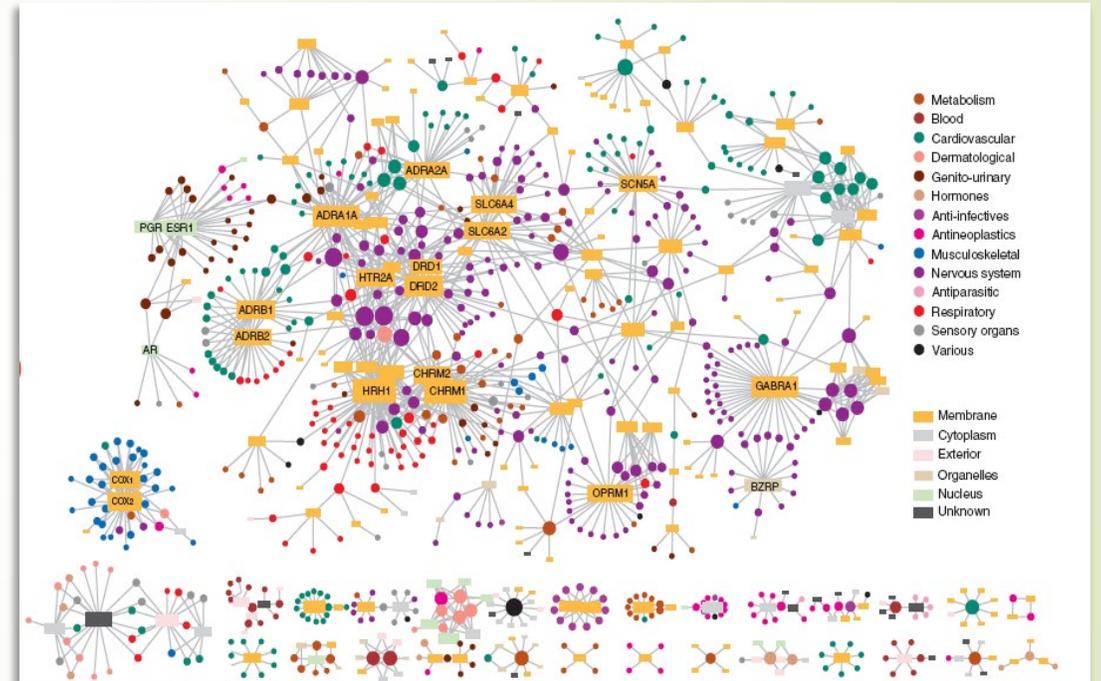
JP Vilardaga, LJ Clark, AD White, I Sutkeviciute, JY Lee, I Bahar (2023)  
*Endocr Rev* 44, 474–491, <https://doi.org/10.1210/endrev/bnac032>

# Quantitative Systems Pharmacology

## Promiscuity of drugs and pleiotropy of proteins



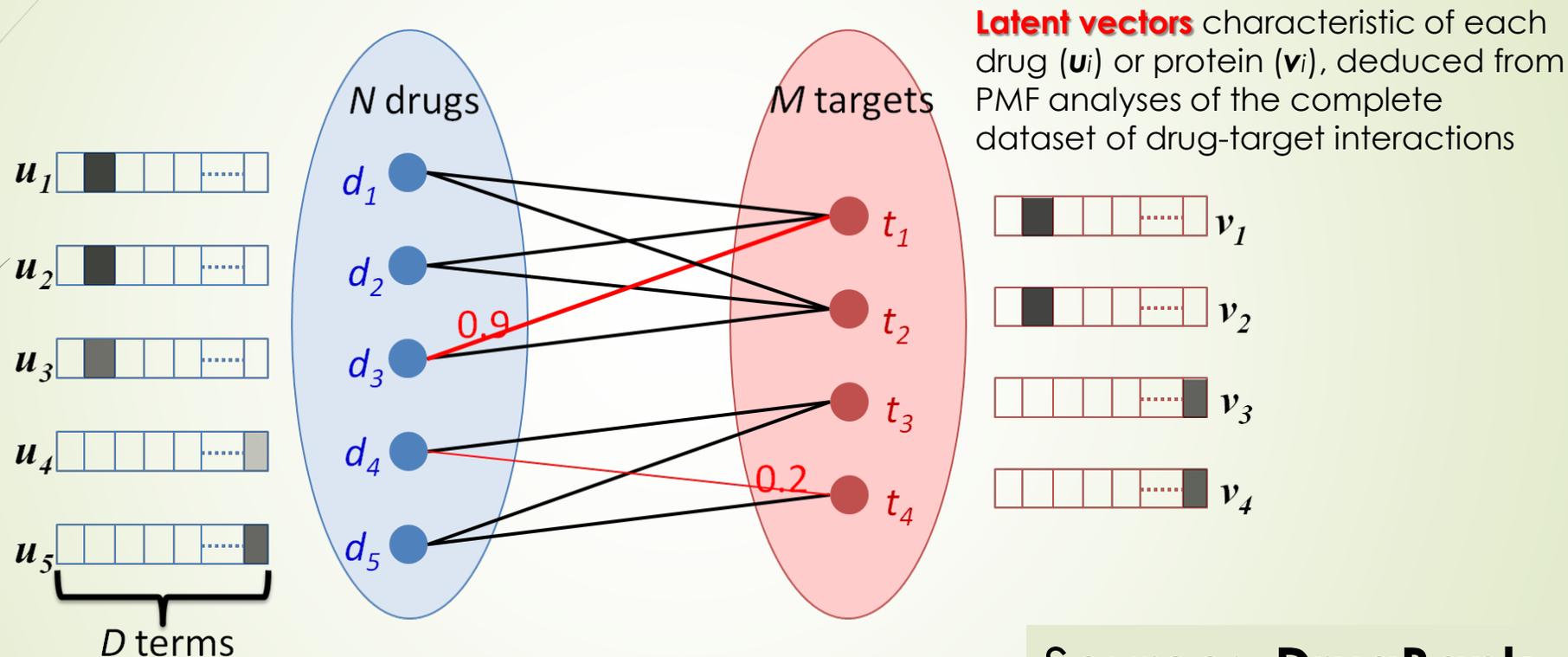
[Andrew L Hopkins](#) Network pharmacology: the next paradigm in drug discovery [Nature Chemical Biology](#) **4**, 682–690, 2008



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# Drug Repurposing

## Probabilistic Matrix Factorization



Cobanoglu et al. (2013) Predicting drug-target interactions using probabilistic matrix factorization *J Chem Inf Model* **53**: 3399-409

Source: **DrugBank**  
 1,576 **targets**, 1,509 **drugs**,  
 5,630 interactions

# QUARTATAWEB

13,723 drugs, 5,235 targets

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**DRUGBANK**  
Open Data Drug & Drug Target Database

> [Bioinformatics](#). 2020 Jun 1;36(12):3935-3937. doi: 10.1093/bioinformatics/btaa210.

## QuartataWeb: Integrated Chemical-Protein-Pathway Mapping for Polypharmacology and Chemogenomics

Hongchun Li<sup>1 2</sup>, Fen Pei<sup>1 3</sup>, D Lansing Taylor<sup>1 3</sup>, Ivet Bahar<sup>1 3</sup>

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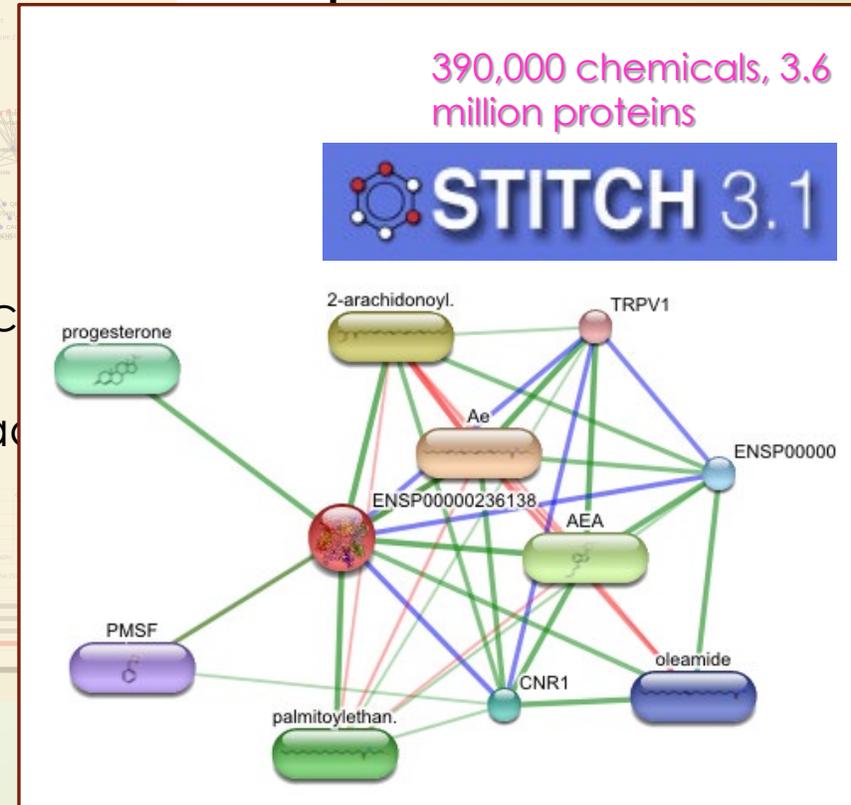
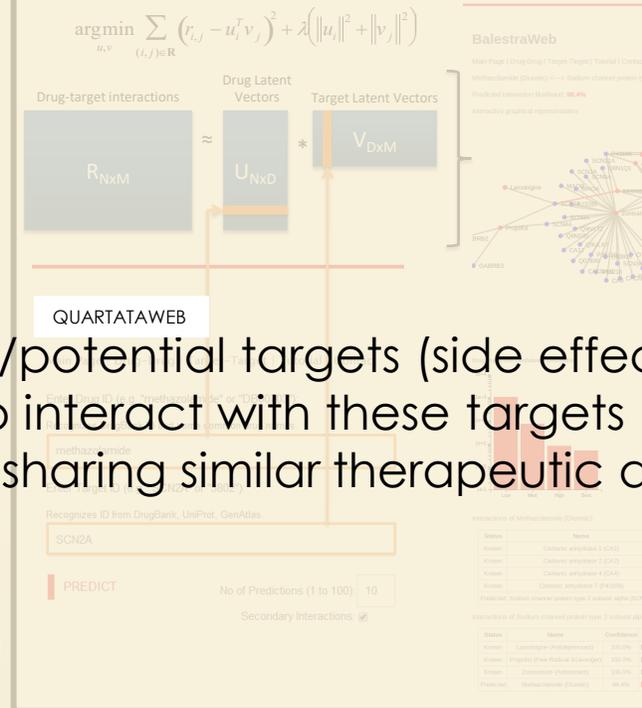
### Input:

Set of query drugs

### Output:

Target(s) + predicted/potential targets (side effects)  
Other drugs known to interact with these targets  
Repurposable drugs sharing similar therapeutic actions

Enriched pathways  
Mechanism of action



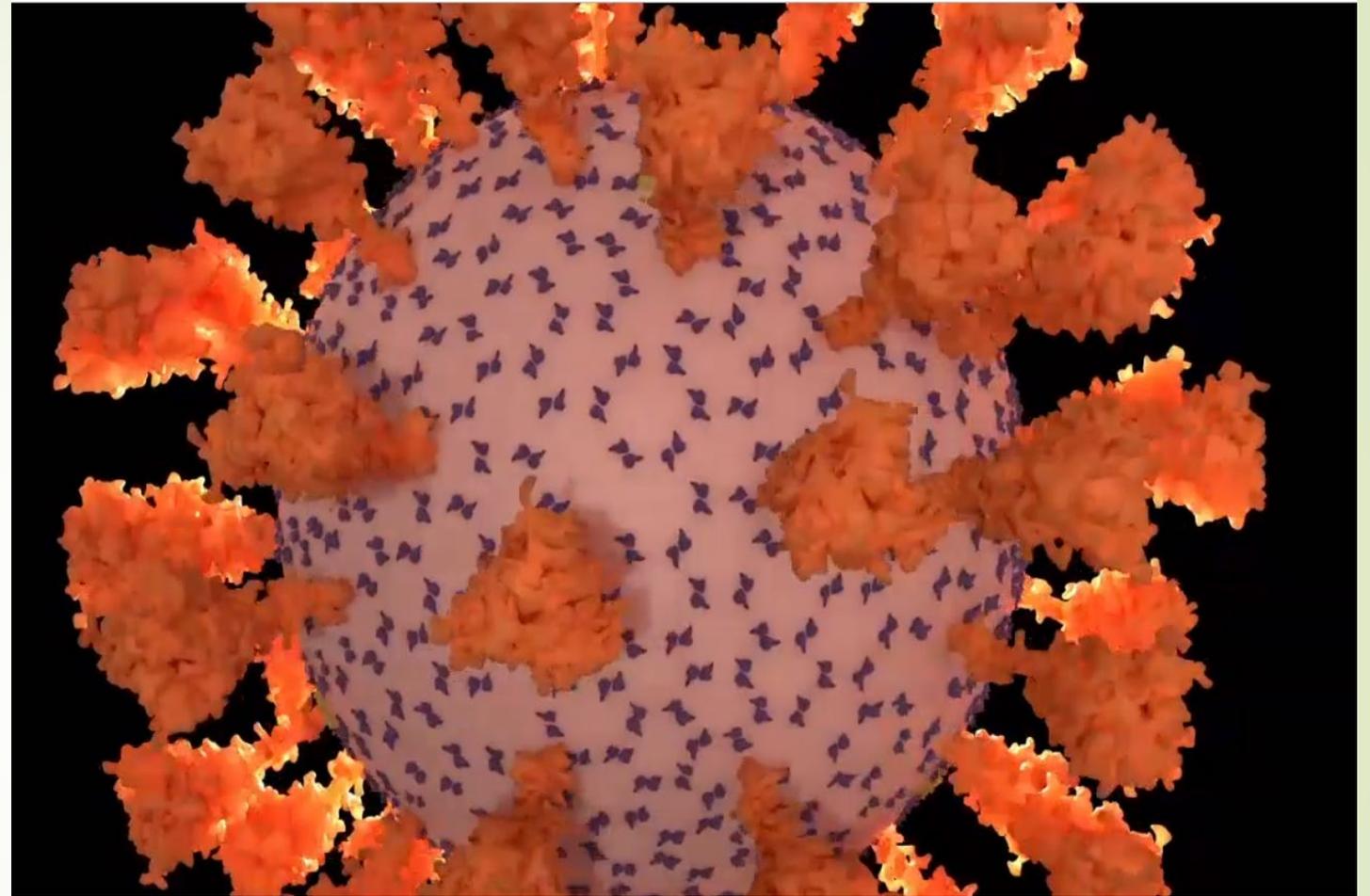
390,000 chemicals, 3.6 million proteins

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Li et al (2020) *Bioinformatics* **36**:3935-37.

# Identification of repurposable drugs against SARS-CoV-2

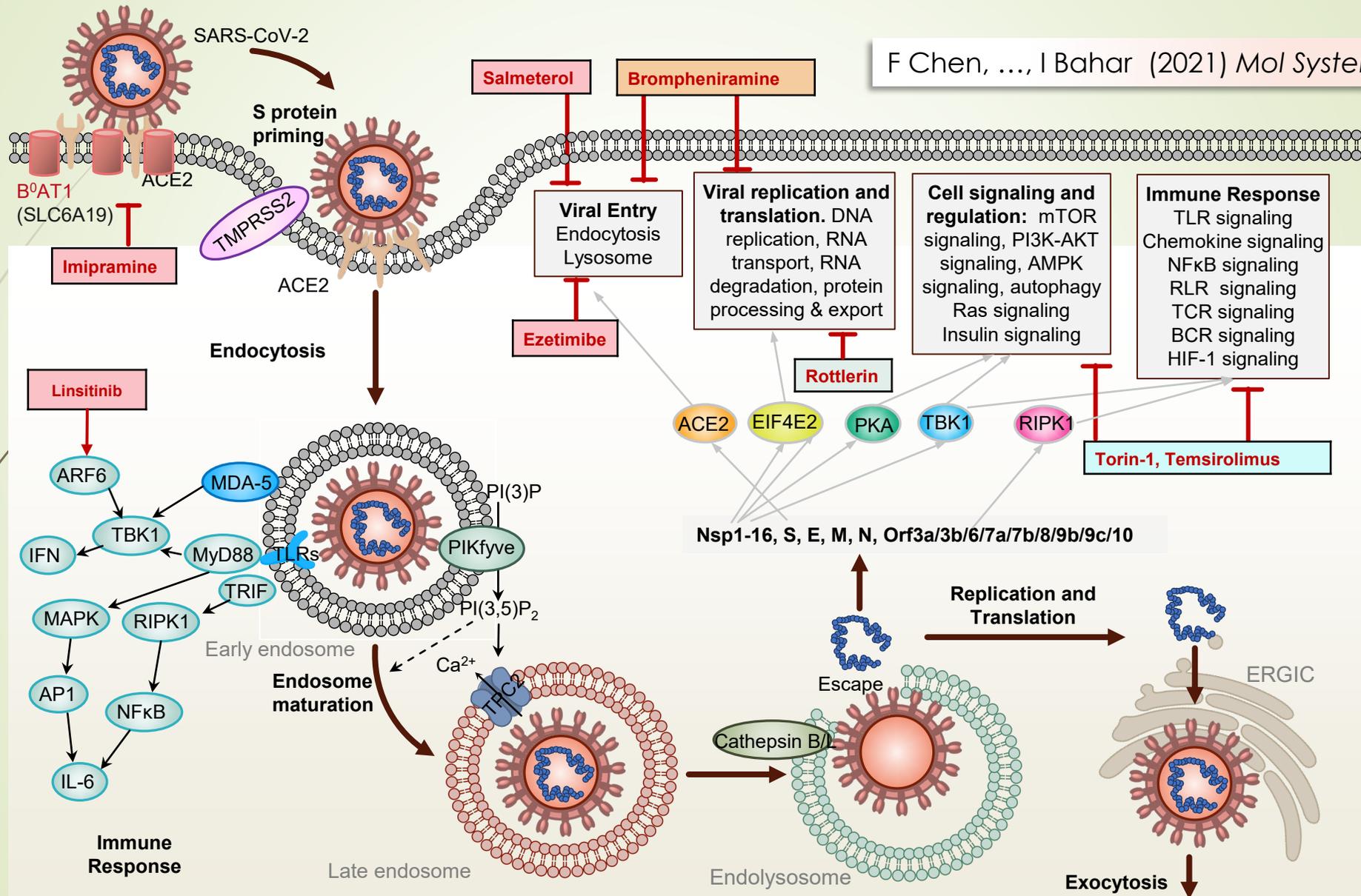
using a QSP approach



Chen F, Shi Q, Pei F, Vogt A, Porritt RA, Garcia G, Gomez AC, Cheng MH, Schurdak ME, Chan SY, Arumugaswami V, Stern A, Taylor L, Arditi M, Bahar I. [A Systems-level study reveals host-targeted repurposable drugs against SARS-CoV-2 infection](#) *Molecular Systems Biol.* 17:e10239 (2021).

# Identification of drugs targeting four different modules

F Chen, ..., I Bahar (2021) *Mol Systems Biology*





# **Genome/Proteome-Scale Analyses**

# Proteome-scale machine learning



Luca Ponzoni

## Predicting functional impact of mutations

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Luca Ponzoni & Ivet Bahar *PNAS* (2018)

Ponzoni, Penaherrera, Oltvai & Bahar *Bioinformatics* (2020)

# Novel Approach

## Combining physical sciences & ML

### Features used for classification

#### SEQUence-based features:

- conservation
- $\Delta$  conservation (wt vs mutated allele)

#### STRUctural feature:

- Solvent Accessible Surface Area

#### DYNAmical features:

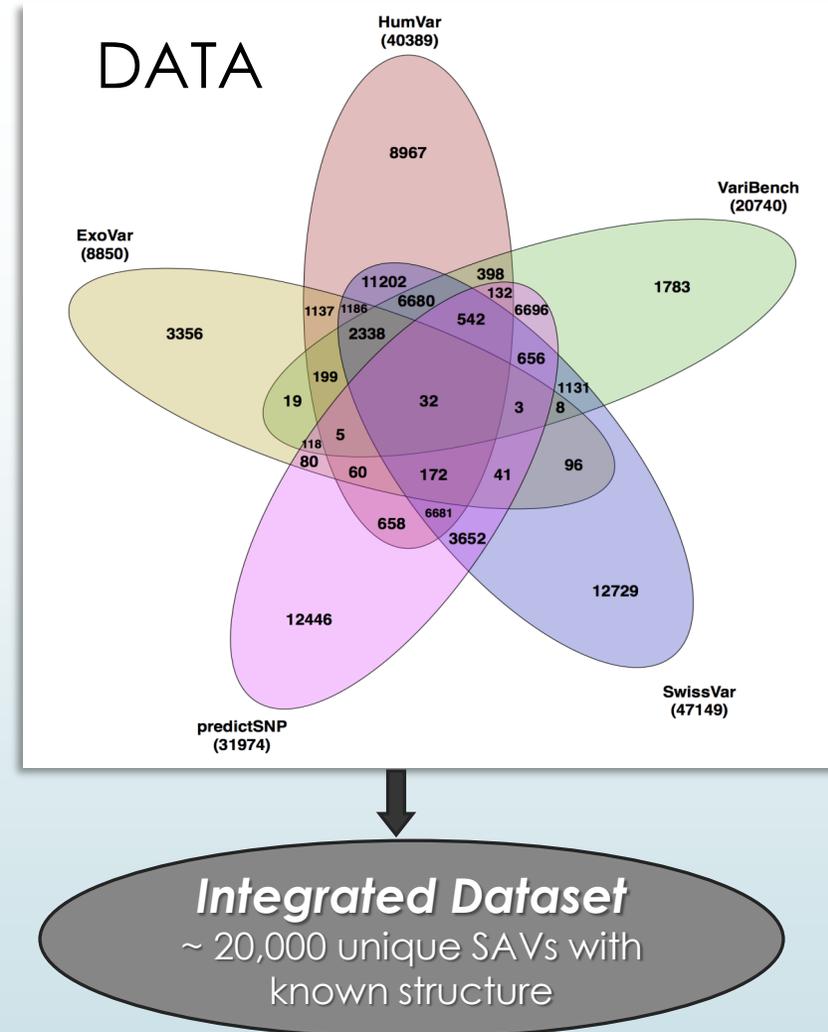
- GNM Mean-Square Fluctuations
- PRS analysis (allosteric effectors/sensors)
- MechStiff

### Random Forest classification

- trained on 20,000 annotated human variants
- 10-fold cross-validation procedure

### Aims:

1. evaluate the accuracy attainable by combining SEQ-STR-DYN features
2. quantify contribution of dynamical features



Ponzoni L, Bahar I. (2018) Structural dynamics is a determinant of the functional significance of missense variants. *Proc Natl Acad Sci USA* **115**: 4164-4169

# Significant improvement in predictions

Upon including DYN features

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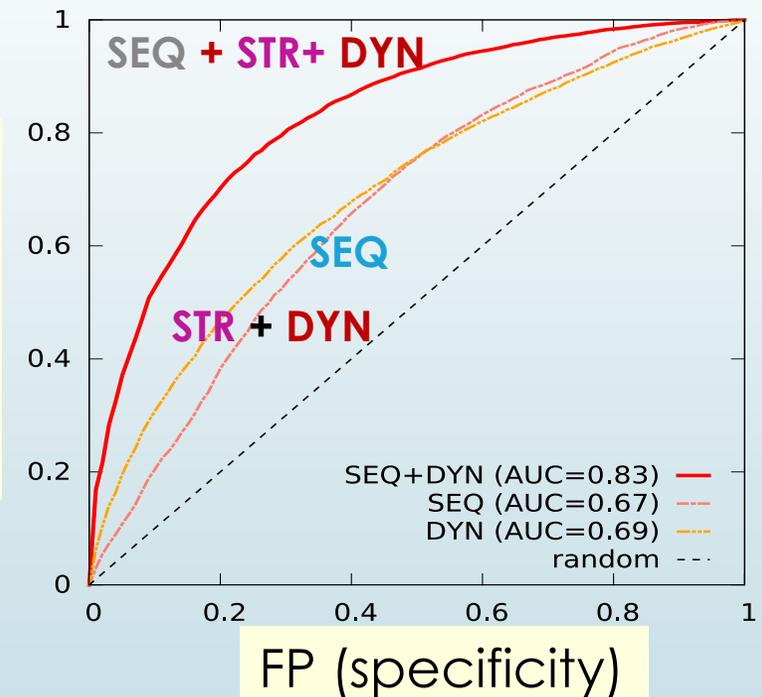
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TP (sensitivity)



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## RHAPSODY

### Rapid High-Accuracy Prediction of SAV Outcome based on DYNAMICS

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This tool provides a prediction of pathogenicity for Single Amino acid Variants (SAVs) by employing a Random Forest classifier trained on both sequence-based and structural/dynamical features.

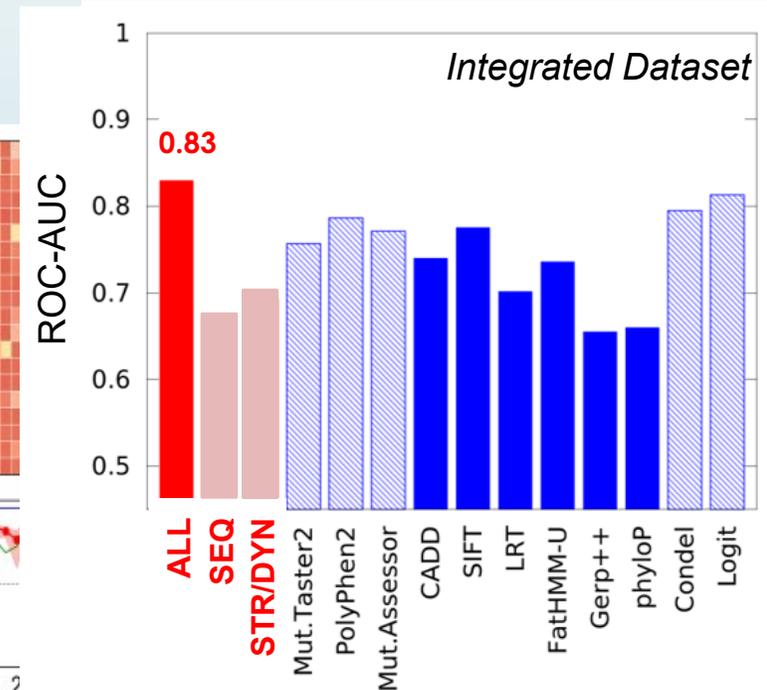
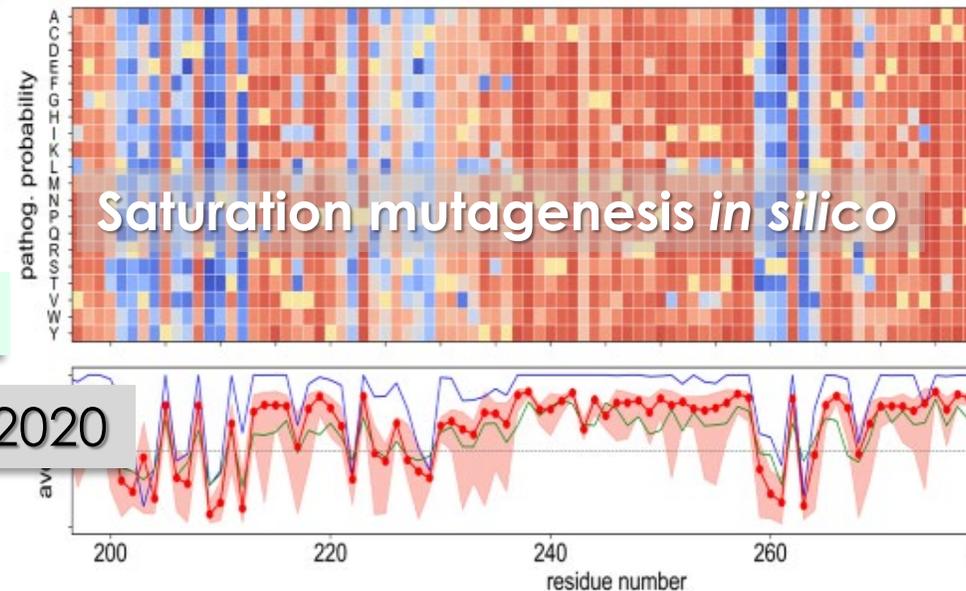
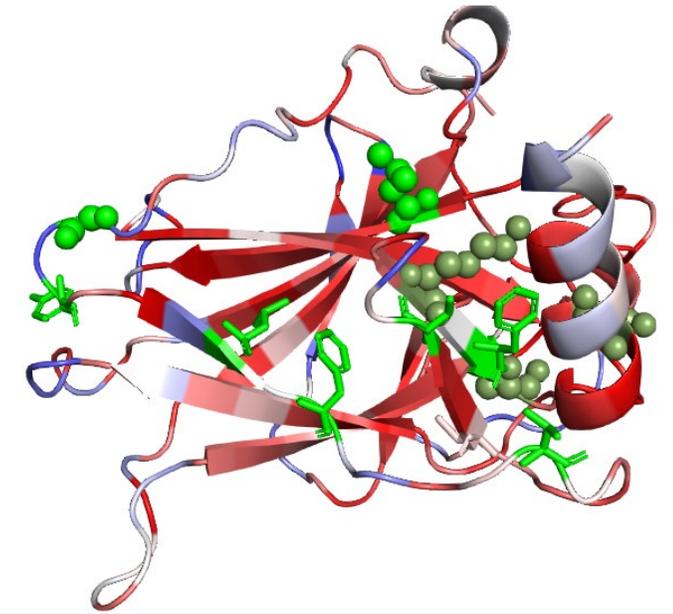
**Option 1:** Get predictions based on both sequence-based and structural/dynamical features, by uploading a:

- PolyPhen-2 output file (see [instructions](#))  No file chosen

**Option 2:** Alternatively, you can get predictions based only on structural/dynamical features.

- 2.1: single query (e.g.: P17516 135 G E)
- 2.2: batch query  No file chosen

email (optional):

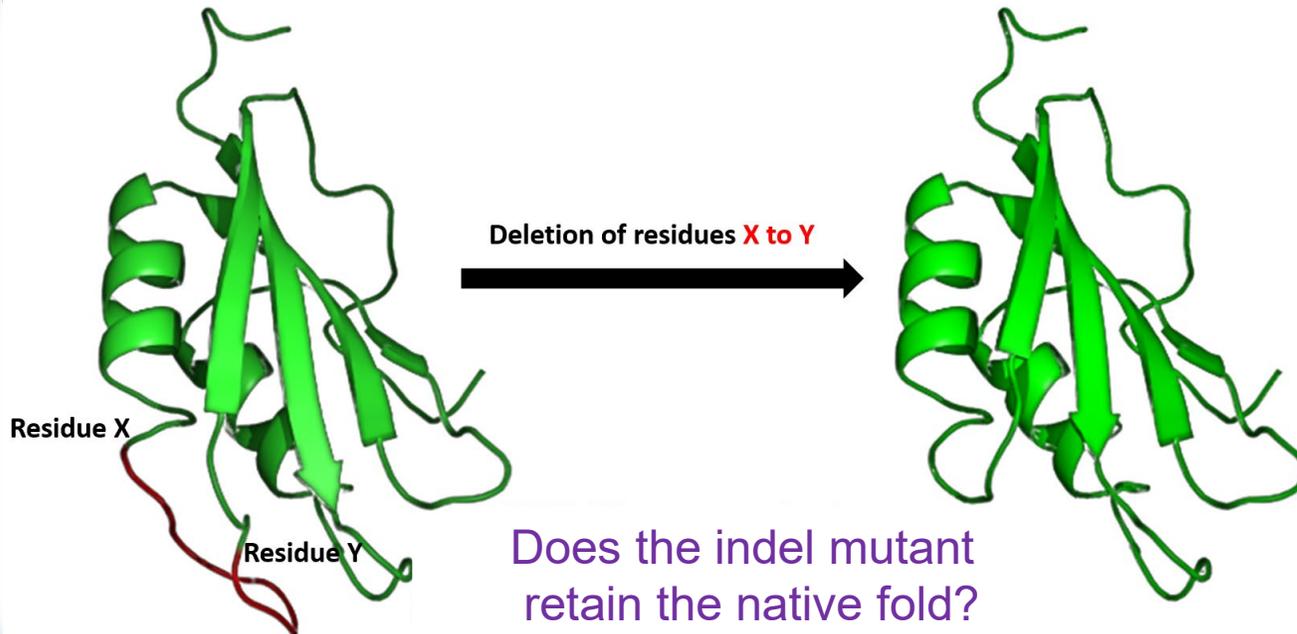


Ponzoni & Bahar, PNAS 2018

Ponzoni et al. *Bioinformatics* 2020

# Effect of Amino Acid Deletions (AA-Del) on the Fold

Can the protein retain its original fold despite a deletion?



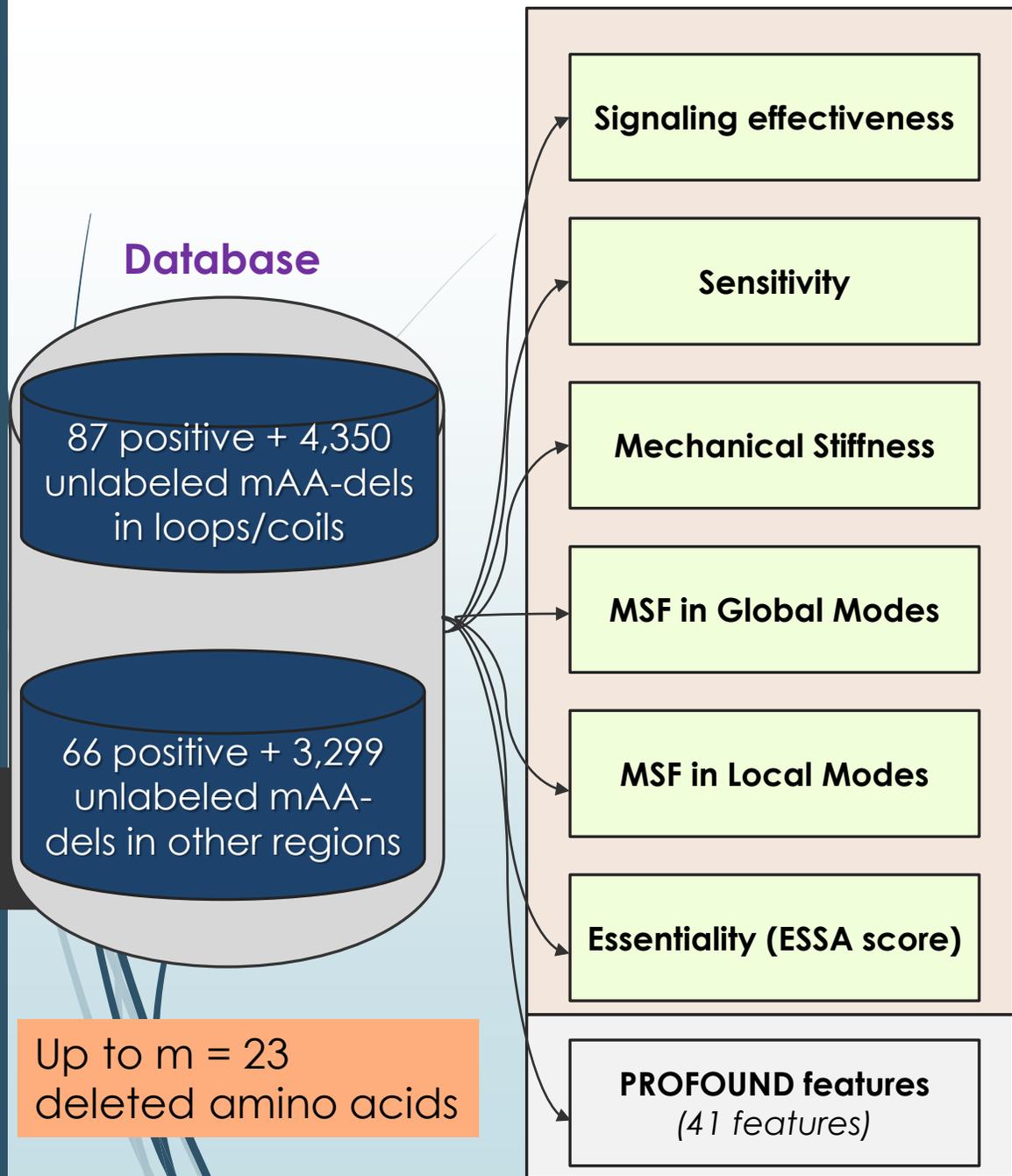
## Challenges:

1. No existing dataset listing effect of stability on foldability
2. No computational framework to predict foldability

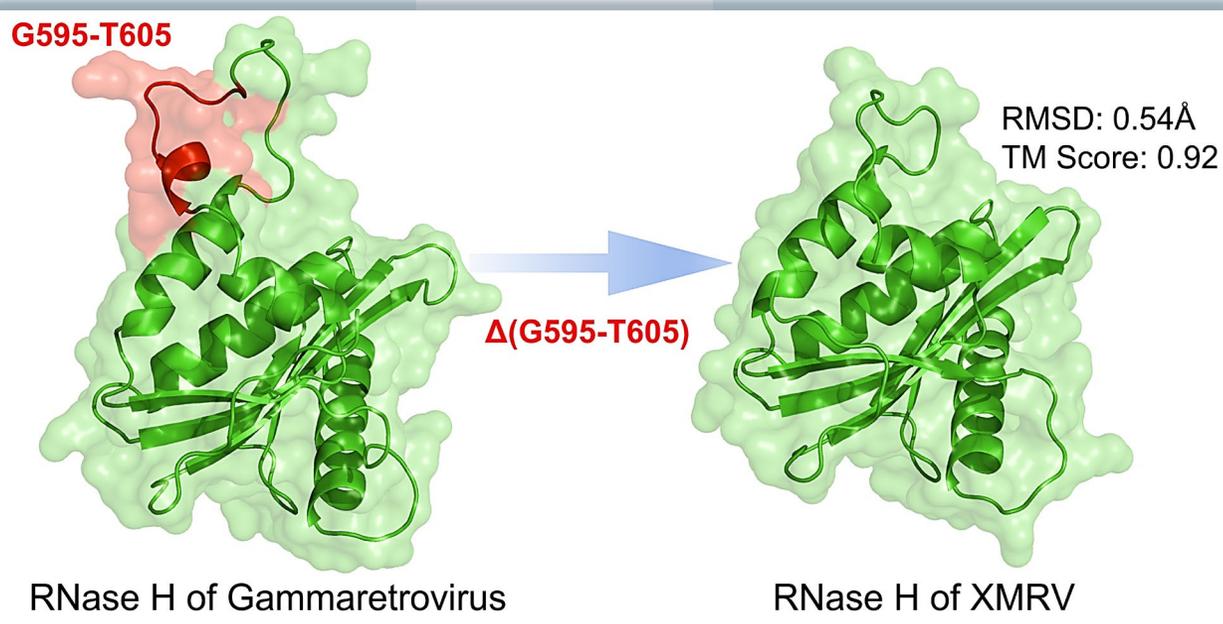
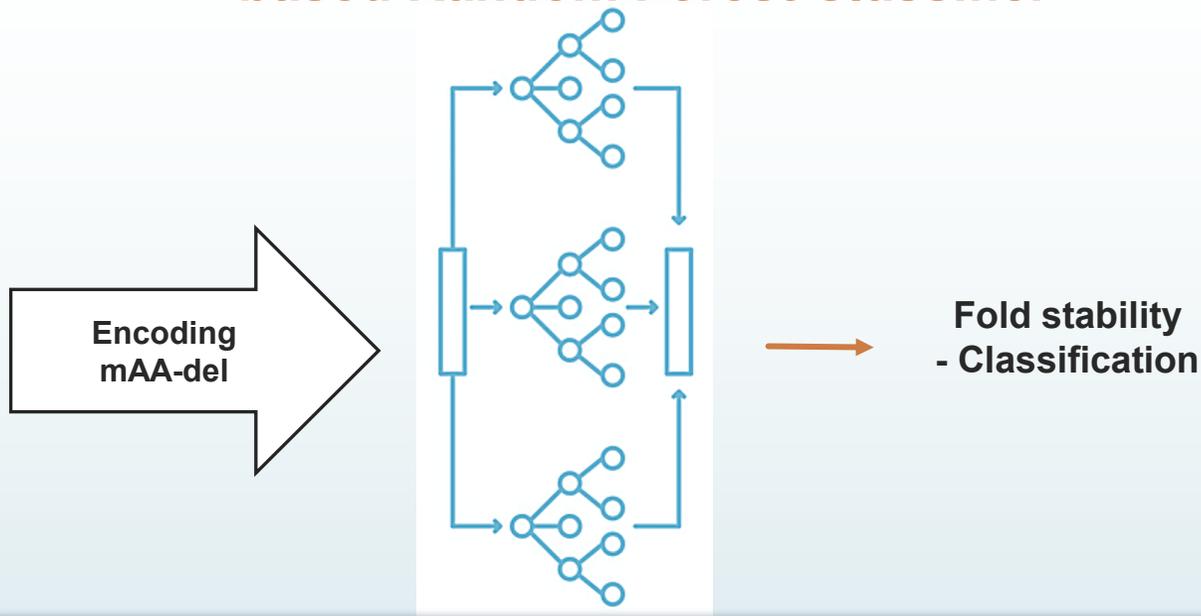


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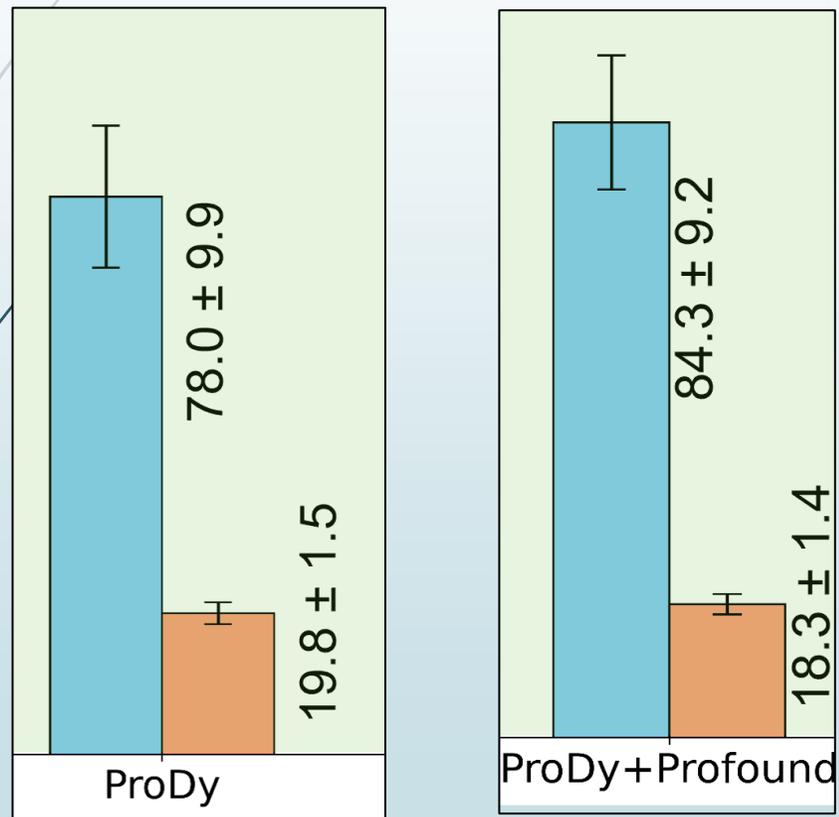
Banerjee & Bahar (2023) [Structural Dynamics Predominantly Determine the Adaptability of Proteins to Amino Acid Deletions](#). *IJMS* **24**, 8450



## Positive-Unlabeled Learning-based Random Forest Classifier

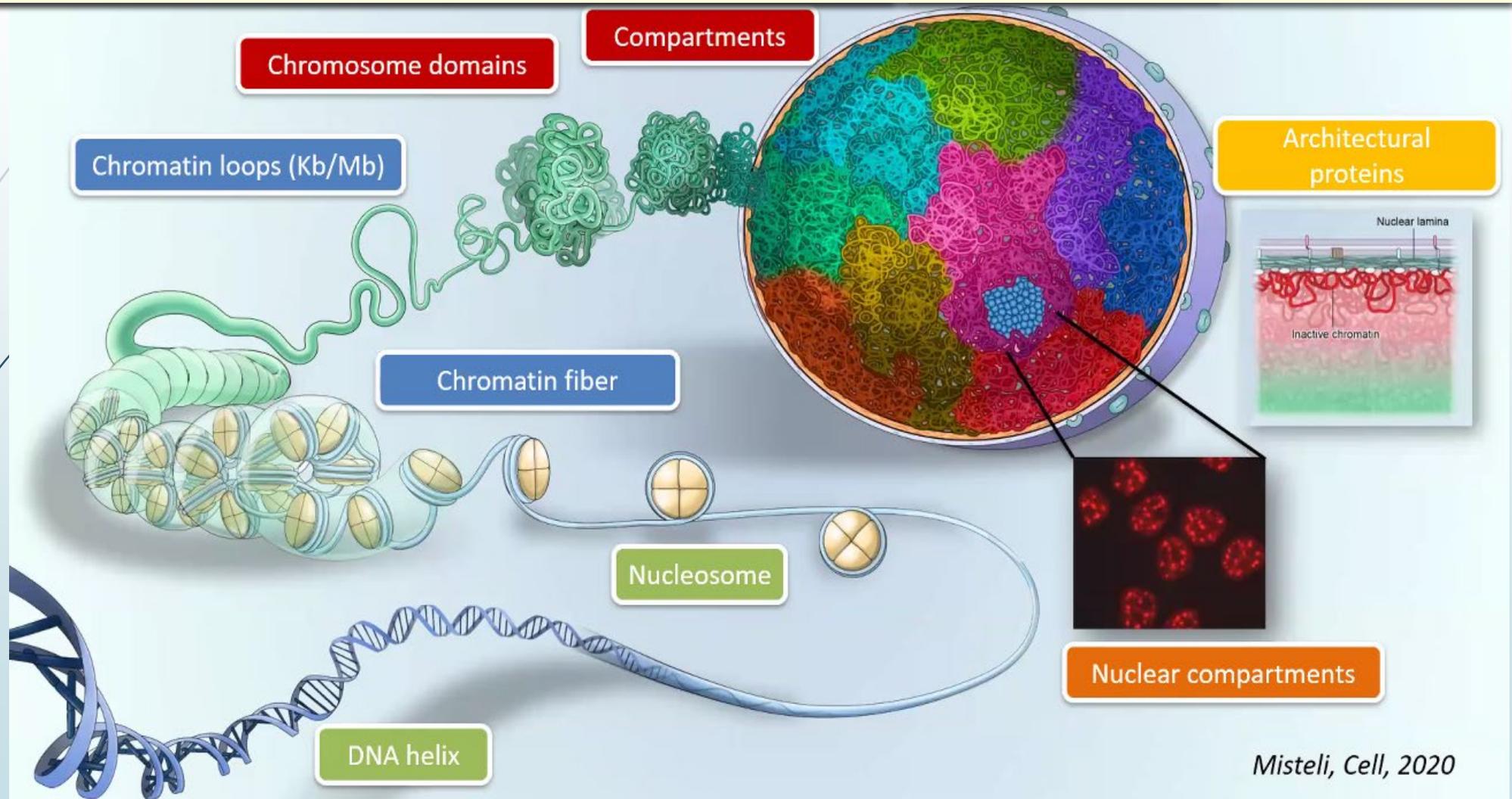


Recall rate of 84.3% is obtained for detecting TPs.  
Dynamics-only features yield 78.0%



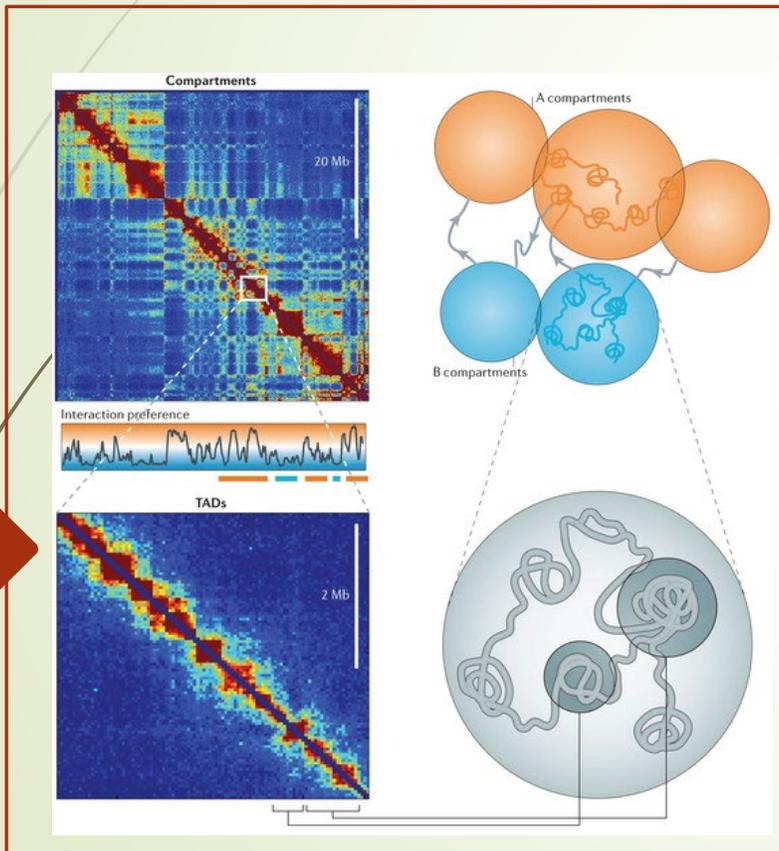
**Intrinsic Dynamics** is a major determinant of the fold adaptability to a deletion (of 2-23 residues).

# Or relate interloci topology to gene expression patterns?

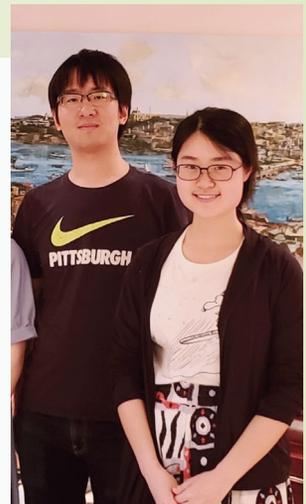
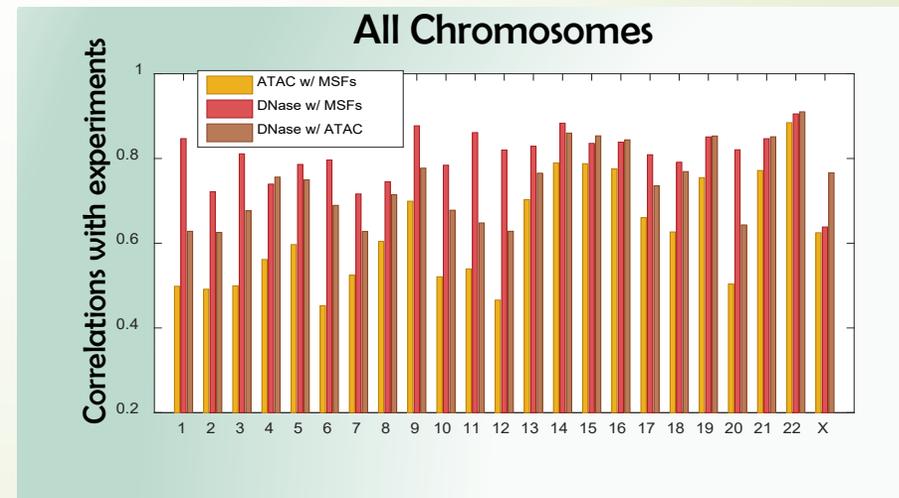
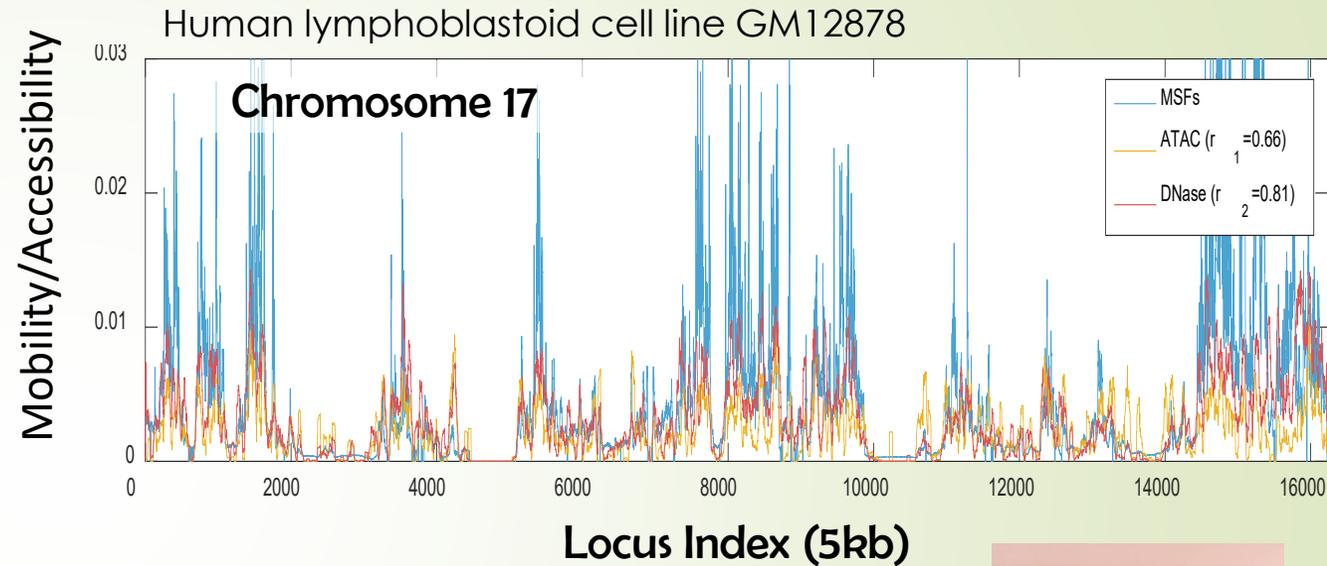


# Chromatin accessibility and 3D spatial fluctuations

## Using Hi-C data for gene loci contacts



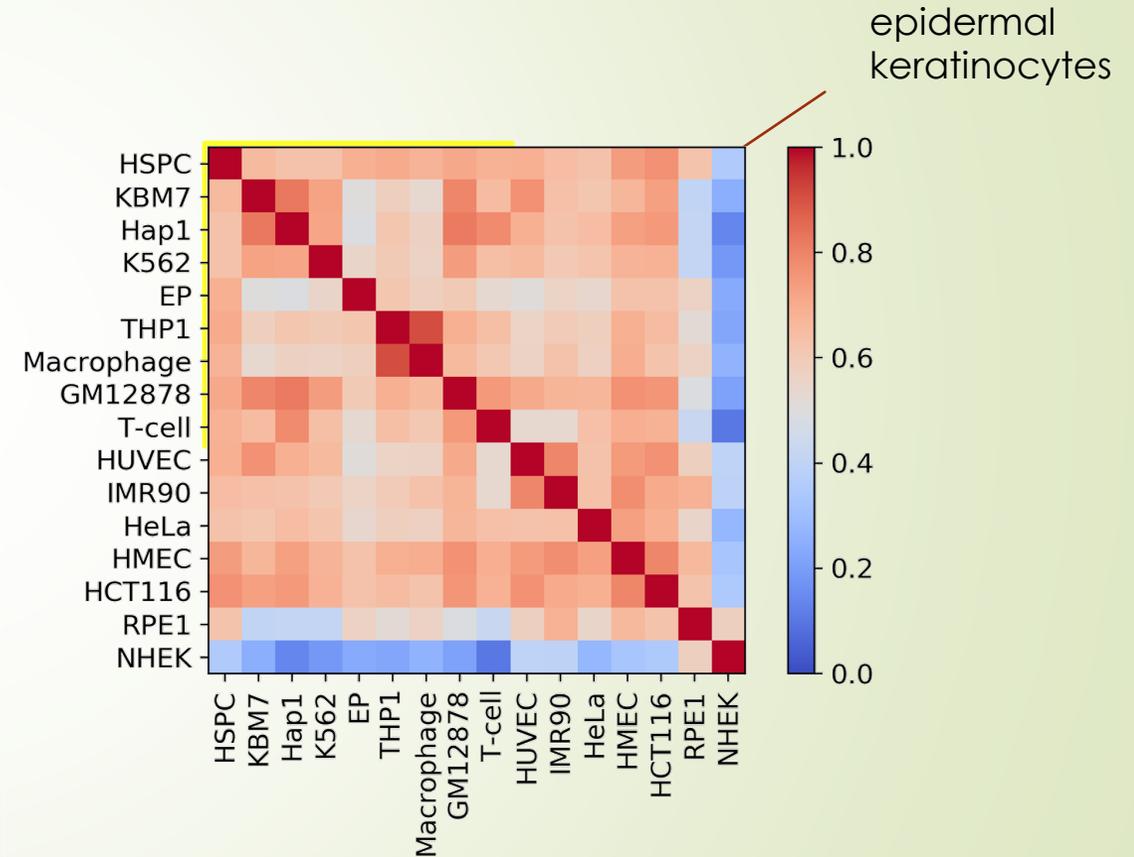
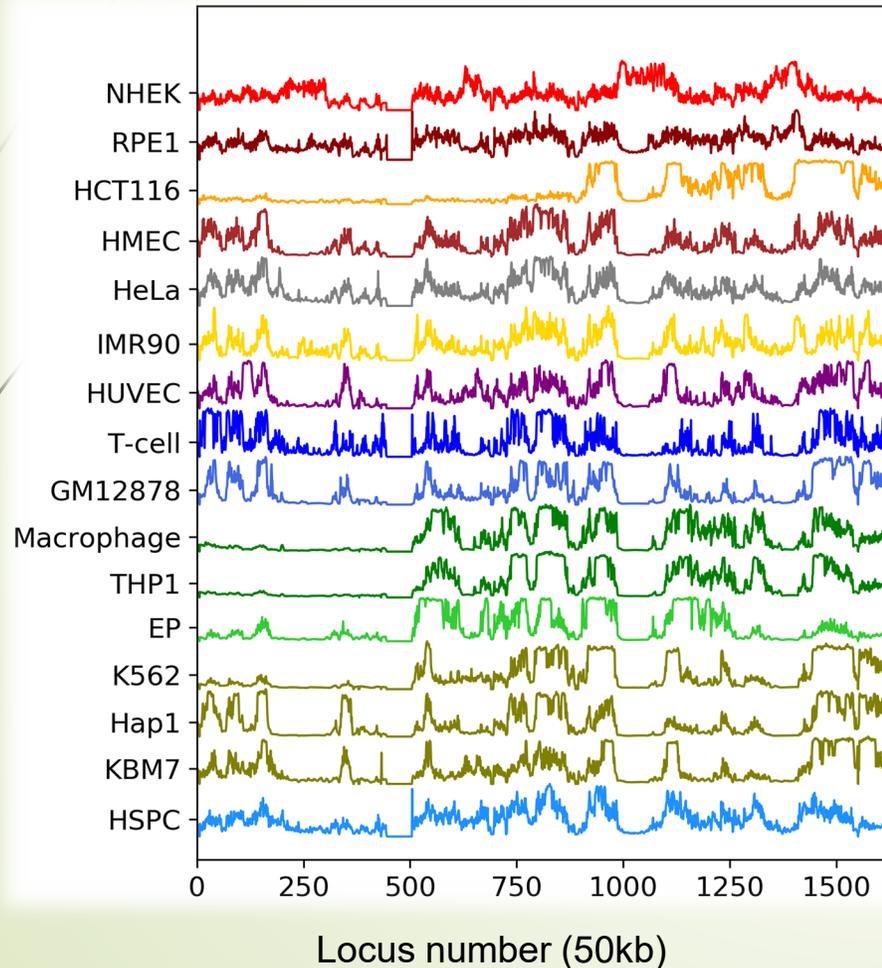
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# Analysis of chromosomal dynamics for 16 different cell types

## Chromosome 17

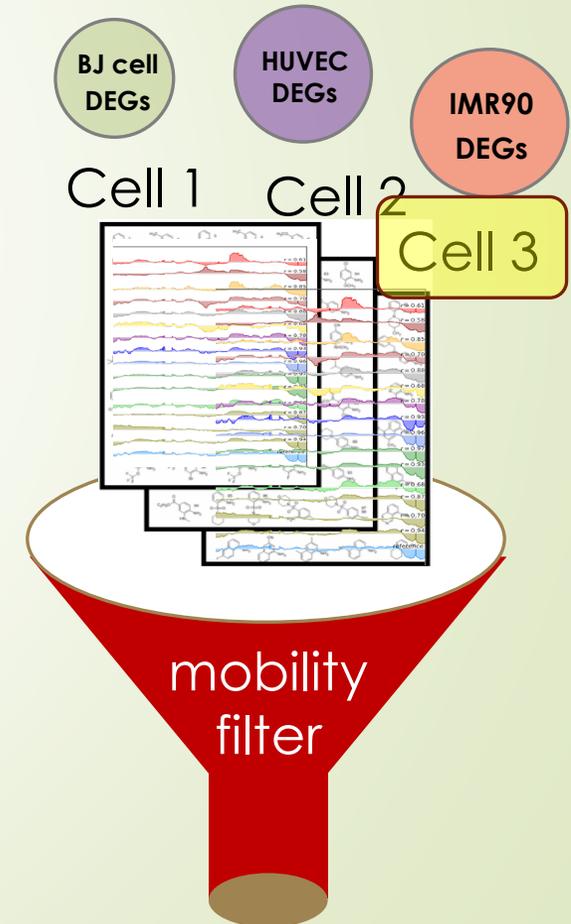
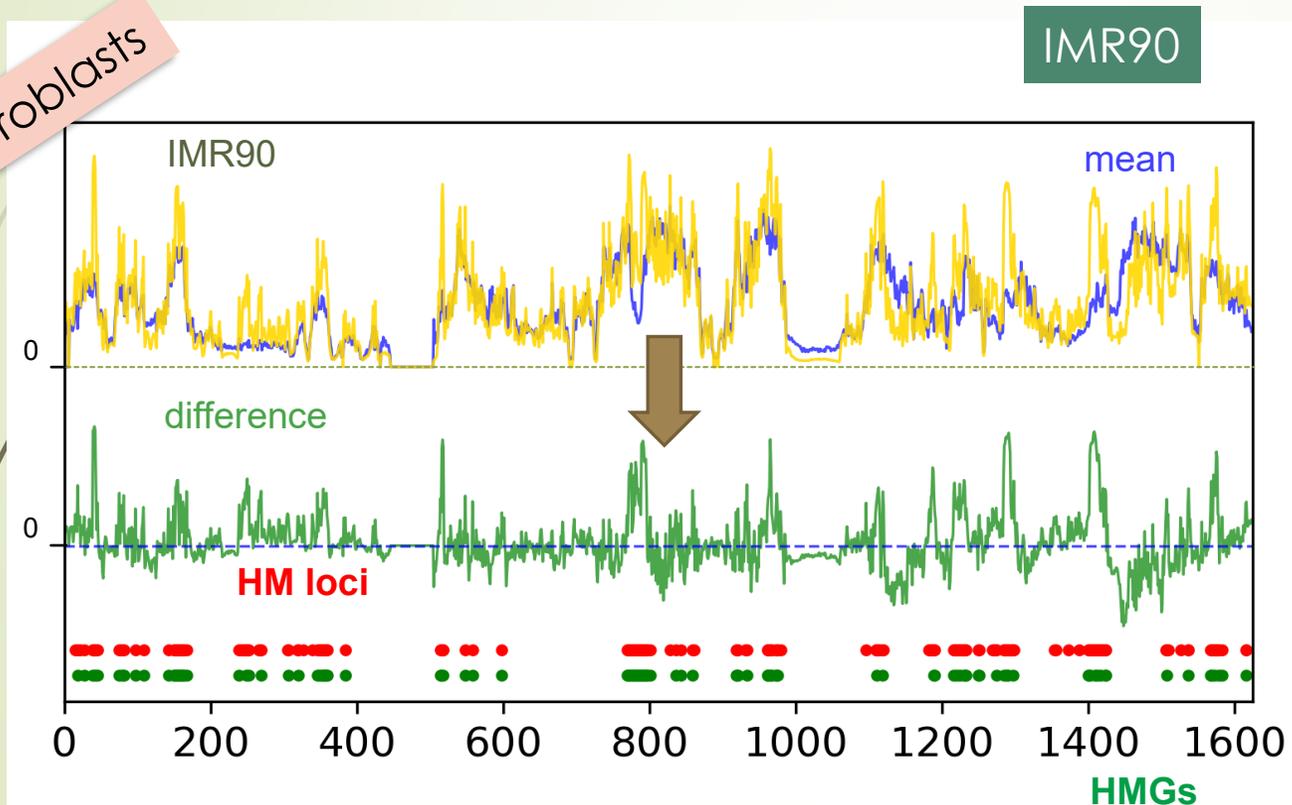


Zhang et al. (2020) *Nucleic Acids Res* 48, 1131-1145

# Each cell type has a signature gene-mobility profile

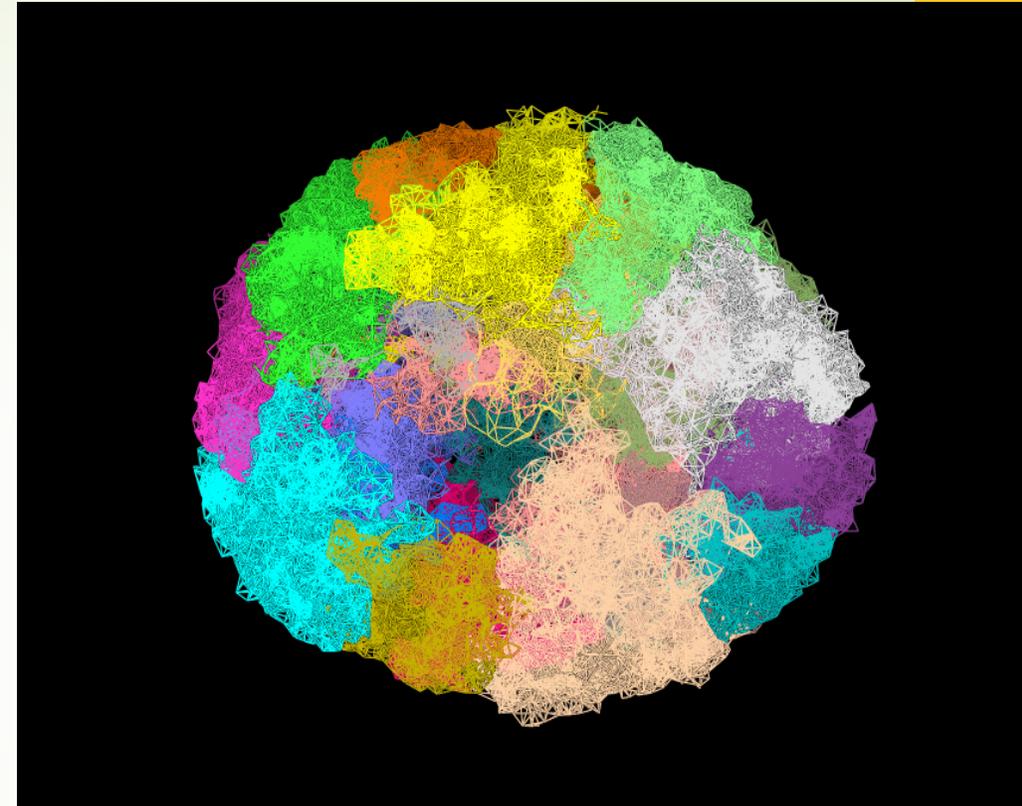
Does high mobility correlate with up-regulation, or high expression? **Yes!**

Lung fibroblasts



# Concluding remarks

- First steps toward **4D Genome**
- Good agreement with DNase-seq, ATAC-seq and ChIA-PET data
- Differences in gene mobilities correlate with differences in gene expression patterns:  
dynamics is a determinant of cell expression signature



**Softest mode of motion** predicted by ANM analysis of single-cell Hi-C data (for mouse embryonic stem cells)\*

\*Stevens, ..., Laue (2017) 3D structures of individual mammalian genomes studied by single-cell Hi-C. *Nature*, **544**, 59-64

## REMARKS

Merger of physics-based with ML tools will help bridge microscopic & macroscopic behaviors

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Mathematical accuracy (exact solution) of physics-based approaches complements the statistical accuracy of AI tools.

# Two major groups of computations:

Systems Pharmacology

Genome-Scale Modeling

Both groups use

- theory and methods of computer science, machine learning, and mathematics,
- AND*
- models and methods of physical sciences and engineering.

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