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Peer Graded Assignment: Bioinformatics Application Challenge

Submit by September 11, 11:59 PM PDT

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In this Application Challenge, we are going to hop in the Bioinformatics Time Machine and head back to 1996.

Pretend that you are working with Mohamed Marahiel to discover the non-ribosomal code by determining the structural components of gramicidin synthetase, a protein that makes the non-ribosomal peptide gramicidin. You know that it has an adenylation domain (A-domain), but you do not know where it is located in the sequence of amino acids making up the protein.

Fortunately, Peter Brick just published the 3-D structure of firefly luciferase, which has similarities to A-domains. You think that this information might be useful in finding the A-domain of gramicidin synthetase, and so you obtain the amino acid sequence of gramicidin synthetase, which you decide to compare against the much shorter sequence for firefly luciferase to locate the A-domain in the gramicidin synthetase sequence.

Throughout this challenge, you will need two datasets (in FASTA format):

- the amino acid sequence of gramicidin synthetase (grs.fa)
- the amino acid sequence of firefly luciferase (firefly_luc.fa)

Review criteria

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