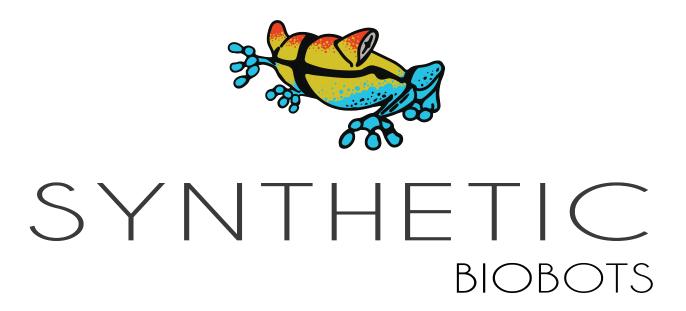
Docking Methods

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Introduction

In this document is shown the docking methodology followed by the team Synthetic Biobots during the iGEM Design League 2022 season. Molecular docking is a process to couple proteins with their ligands; for this project molecular docking was performed in order to support the decision of using the proteins that were selected as part of the biosynthetic pathway of piperamide. The different steps necessary for its production are shown in the Fig. 1; in this figure all the steps required are marked with a number, this number is an identifier for the enzyme required to perform that step.

From all the enzymes used in the pathway, only 8 require a docking step for different reasons, these reasons can be that it is an enzyme that has not been isolated and even though a previous annotation step indicates it performs that reaction, molecular docking can provide better support for their selection and activity. Another reason to perform molecular docking is when the protein is known and has been isolated but we are using a molecule that is not the original ligand of the protein, in this case molecular docking can help to elucidate if the protein would be able to perform the reaction with a molecule with similar structure to its' original ligand.

The enzymes that are subject of molecular docking and the genes that code for these enzymes and will be studied are: 1 (Pn8.2617), 2 (Pn2.84), 4 (Pn1.1317), 5 (Pn3.4770, Pn7.1626), 6 (Pn16.1237, Pn16.1198), 8 (Pn4.3222), 9 (Pn2.2377) and 10 (2cwh).





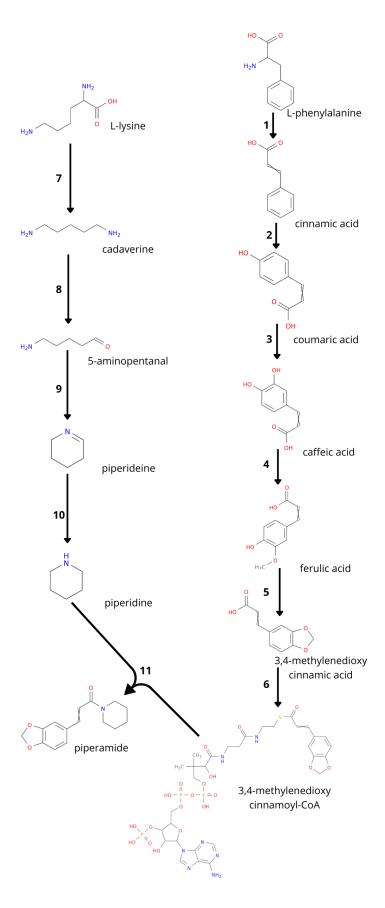


Figure 1: Biosynthetic pathway of piperamide.





1 Docking

1.1 Pn8.2617

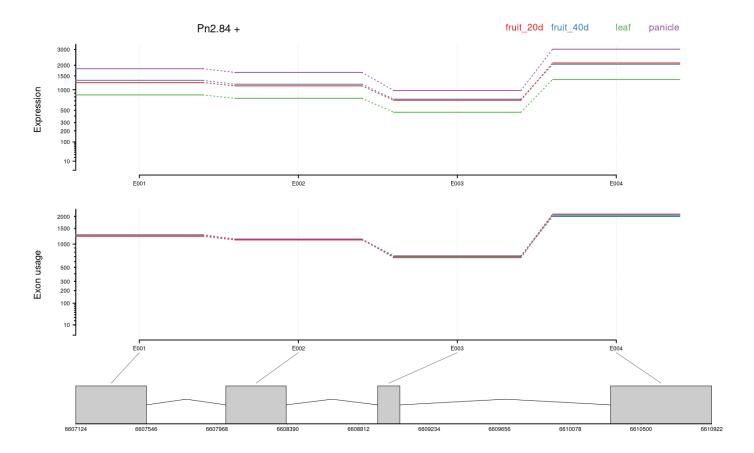


Figure 2: Algo