

Prediction of TCR-pMHC interactions using molecular modeling and recurrent networks

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https://github.com/HenriettaHolze/TCR-pMHC-prediction

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Introduction

- Adaptive immune system is a key element for fighting diseases
- T cells are responsible for cell-mediated immune response
- T cell receptors (TCR) bind to pMHC complexes (protein Major Histocompatibility Complex) to trigger immune response
- Problem: Predict TCR-pMHC binding
- Input data [1]:
 - Protein sequence
 - Per-residue energy terms
- Global energy term
- Input dimensions:
 - x observations
 - y peptide positions
 - z channels, including sequence embedding and energy terms

IMAGE OF TCR-PMHC COMPLEX

Methods Global energies Output: Per-residue **Bi-directional** 0 = not binding CNN **FFNN** energies **LSTM** 1 = bindingAmino acid Per-residue ESM (Transformer) [3] PCA embedding sequence

Figure 2. Pipeline for the data.

IMAGE OF ARCHITECTURE FROM HENRIETTA

Results

MCC on test Confusion matrix AUC plot

Comparison with Ida [2]

Discussion

High number of negative BERT Graph based approach

References

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