

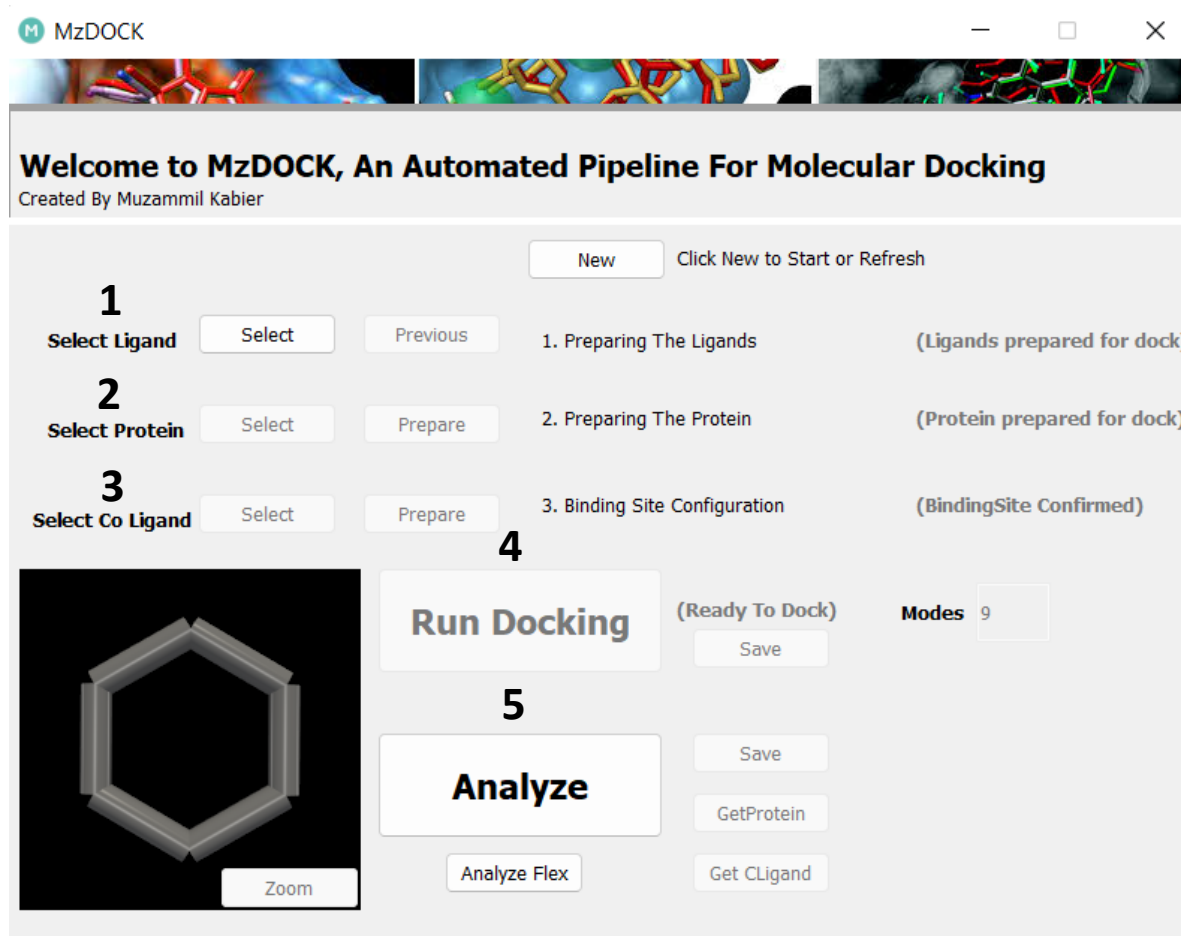


# MzDOCK

## MANUAL

MzDOCK GUI is simple and straightforward.

1. Select Ligand
2. Select Protein
3. Define Binding Site
4. Run Docking
5. Analyze Interactions



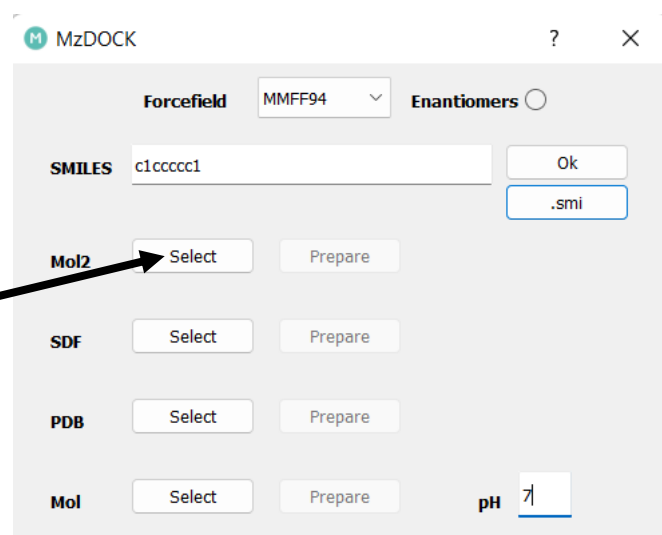
## 1. Ligand Preparation

MzDOCK provides options to input various file formats such as SMILES, SDF, PDB, MOL2 and MOL.

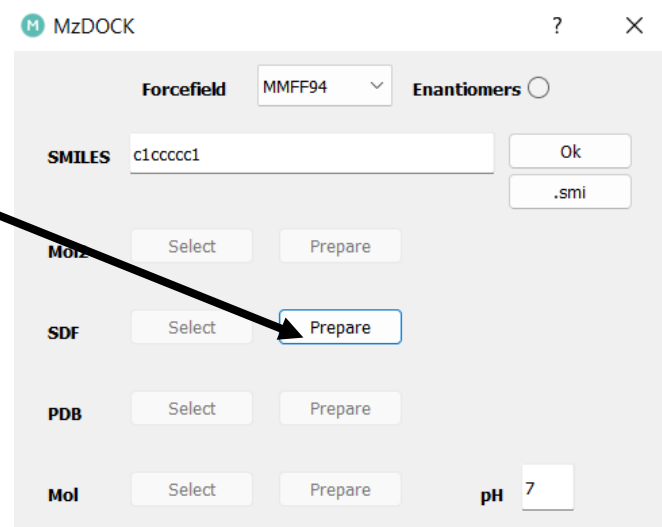
Click on 'select' for respective file format the user requires for ligand input and choose your multiple files. Next click on 'prepare' to prepare your ligand

For SMILES, there is input line to give a single SMILES notation, for multiple SMILES '.smi' option can be chosen which should have a format of :

(SMILES) (name)

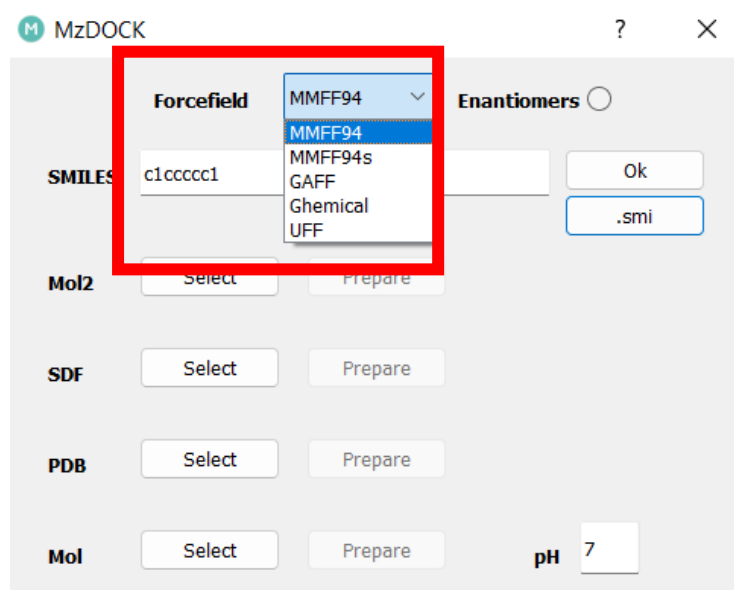


The screenshot shows the MzDOCK application window. At the top, there is a 'Forcefield' dropdown menu set to 'MMFF94' and an 'Enantiomers' radio button. Below this, there is a 'SMILES' input field containing 'c1ccccc1' with an 'Ok' button and a '.smi' button. A table of file formats follows: MOL2, SDF, PDB, and Mol. Each row has a 'Select' button and a 'Prepare' button. An arrow points from the text 'Click on 'select'' to the 'Select' button for the MOL2 format. At the bottom right, there is a 'pH' input field with the value '7'.

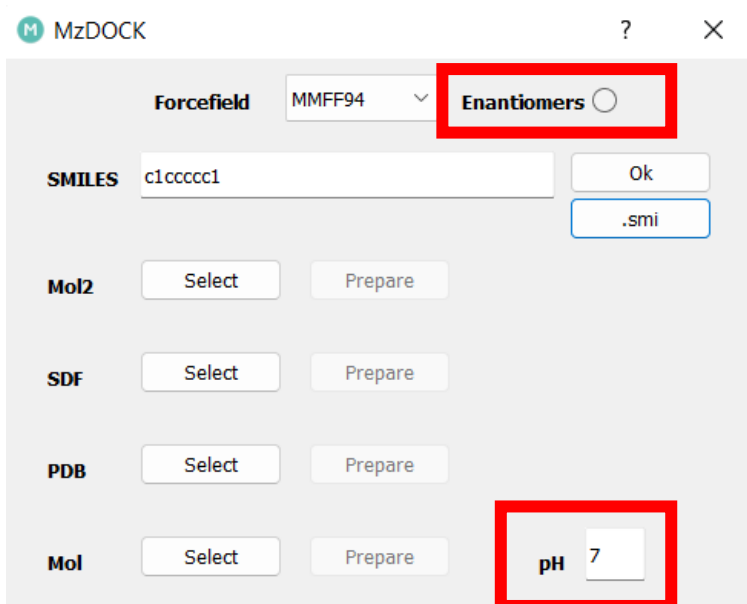


This screenshot is identical to the one above, but with an arrow pointing from the text 'Next click on 'prepare'' to the 'Prepare' button for the SDF format. The 'pH' input field now shows the integer '7' instead of '7'.

Another Interesting Thing about MzDOCK is that it energy optimizes the ligands chosen, There is a dropdown box present where user can choose the preferred forcefield for energy optimization (MMFF94, MMFF94s, GAFF, UFF and Ghemical)



Enatiomer radiobutton generates enantiomer if possible for the SMILES provided. The pH line input provide the protonation state required

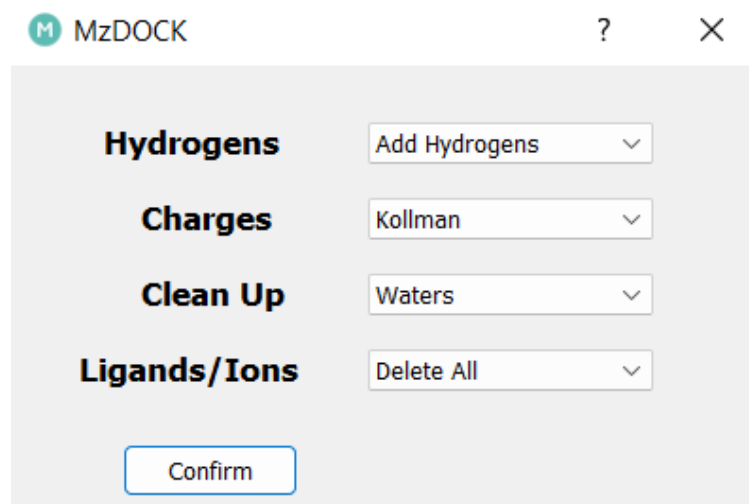


## 2. Protein Preparation

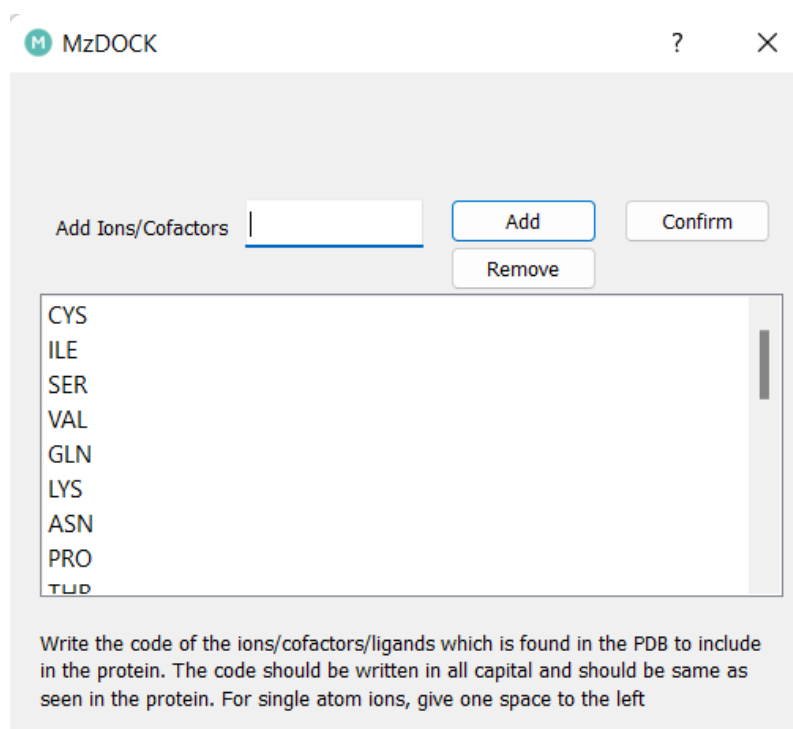
After Selecting the protein, and when the prepare button is clicked , the protein preparation dialog box appears where there is option to **add hydrogen, choose charges**(Gasteiger, Kollman), remove or keep water and option to keep, remove or selective retention of ions/ligands/cofactors.

For specific retention of ions/ligands/cofactors , choose manual option in 'Ligands/Ions' dropdown box and press 'confirm'

Here , three letter code of the specific ion/ligand/cofactor could be given and press 'add' to retain those molecule. Press 'confirm' to accept the changes. For retaining waters, in cleanup choose 'keep water' and in manual option add 'HOH'



The MzDOCK Protein Preparation dialog box features a title bar with the MzDOCK logo, a help icon (?), and a close icon (X). The main area contains four rows of settings, each with a label and a dropdown menu: 'Hydrogens' with 'Add Hydrogens', 'Charges' with 'Kollman', 'Clean Up' with 'Waters', and 'Ligands/Ions' with 'Delete All'. A 'Confirm' button is located at the bottom center.



The MzDOCK Manual Ions/Cofactors dialog box has a title bar with the MzDOCK logo, a help icon (?), and a close icon (X). It includes an 'Add Ions/Cofactors' text input field, an 'Add' button, a 'Remove' button, and a 'Confirm' button. Below these is a list box containing the following three-letter codes: CYS, ILE, SER, VAL, GLN, LYS, ASN, PRO, and TUD. At the bottom, a text box provides instructions: 'Write the code of the ions/cofactors/ligands which is found in the PDB to include in the protein. The code should be written in all capital and should be same as seen in the protein. For single atom ions, give one space to the left'.

There are additional options where user can choose specific chain from a protein.

### 3. Binding Site Defining

Binding site can be defined with the help of co-crystallized ligand . swap through all the heteroatoms inside the protein which includes ions/cofactors/ligands . choose the ligand in the binding site to assign grid box there automatically

The residue name will be provided here.

the bufferspace can be given to increase search space upto 20 Angstroms.

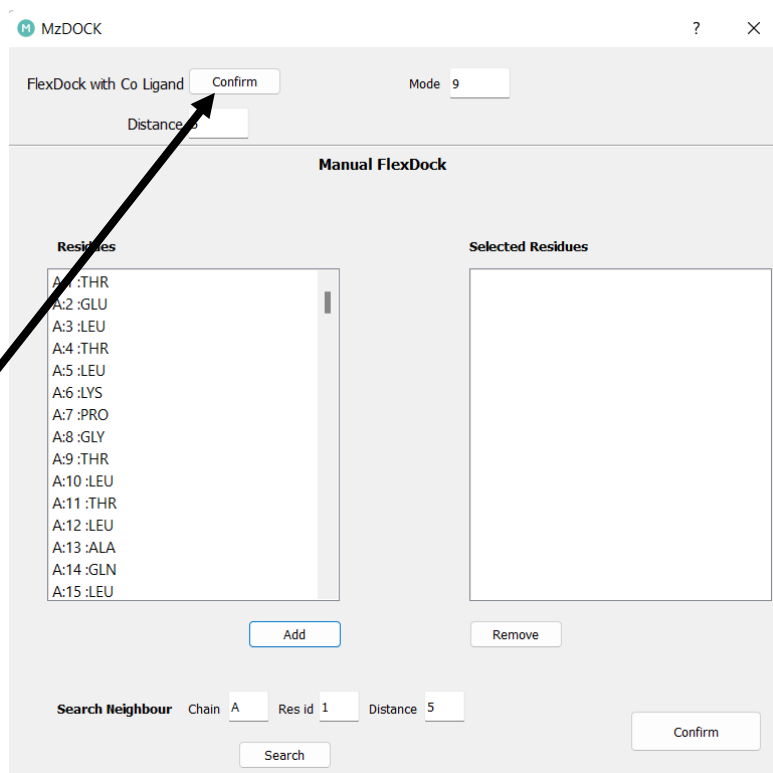
Moreover option to 'input pdb' where some amino acid pdb could be given to assign gridbox, 'blind dock' and manual grid box assignment is possible.



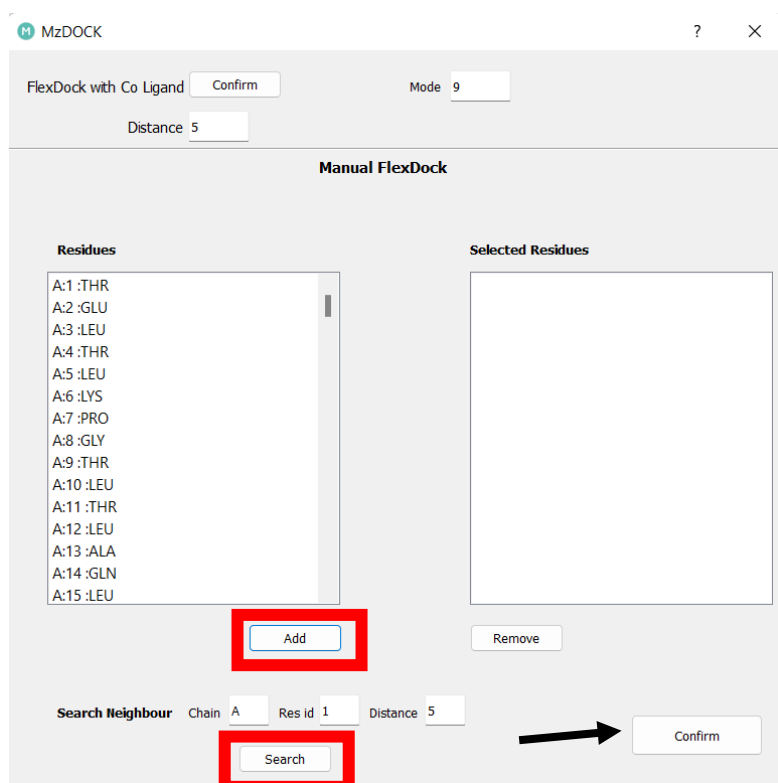
## Induced Fit Docking

If there is a presence of co-crystallized ligand, the 'FlexDock' button is activated which gives access to induced fit docking.

Here there is automated induced fit docking with option 'FlexDock with Co Ligand'. click on the confirm button, change distance from the co-ligand where the amino acids are made flexible and number of modes to generate.



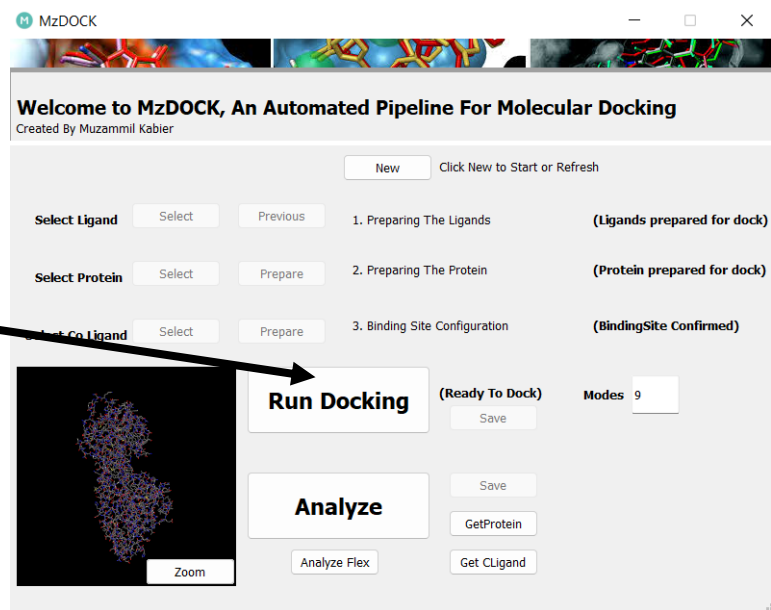
For Manual mode, Amino acid residue if known are choosen manually to make it flexible by clicking the residue and press 'add' to add to the selected residues. Also there is an option to search neighbour of a specific amino acid residue which adds those residues to the selected residues.



#### 4. Run Docking

When the 'Run Docking' button is activated, click on it to run Docking.

.pdbqt and log file is generated and save the files in the directory you choose.



#### 5. Analyze Interactions

Soon as the docking is completed, click on Analyze, and choose the output pdbqt file and choose a specific pose in the prompt which will be displayed. Then MzDOCK provides you with images, Pymol session file and a report of the binding interactions. Save in the desired directory

