

1. Collect Pfam “seed” entry:

Select the Pfam entry of your protein of interest (POI). Go to the “Alignment” tab. From “Available alignments” select “seed”. Download the seed alignment in clustal2 format. For this tutorial, Peptidase C13 was used as an example POI.

The screenshot shows the Pfam website interface for the Peptidase C13 family (PF01650). The page includes a navigation bar with links like Home, Search, Browse, Results, Release notes, Download, Help, About, and Contact us. The main content area shows the family name, a list of 33 sequences, and a color key for the alignment. A download button for the clustal2 format is visible.

2. Use the “Visual” pairwise sequencing code:

To visualize the pairwise sequence alignment between 2 homologous sequences of the POI, input the stockholm file from Pfam into the code below (a biopython code using the pairwise 2 package):

```
1 from Bio import AlignIO, pairwise2
2
3 sto_file = r"C:\Users\Tania\Downloads\PF01650.alignment.seed\PF01650.alignment.seed" #Insert your .seed stockholm/clustal2 filepath here
4
5 alignment = AlignIO.read(r"C:\Users\Tania\Downloads\PF01650.alignment.seed\PF01650.alignment.seed", "stockholm") #Insert your .seed stockholm/clustal2 filepath again
6
7 seq1 = alignment[0].seq
8 seq2 = alignment[1].seq
9
10 alignments = pairwise2.align.globalxx(seq1, seq2)
11
12 for alignment in alignments:
13     print(pairwise2.format_alignment(*alignment))
```

You should receive an output like this:

```
KNAVLVAGSR-GYMYNRHQDVCHAYQ-LUK-GGLKDNITVPMYDD-IAHNF--ENPRPGVI-INSPN-----G-----D-DVYK-G-VPKDYTGHH-VTA-NNFL-AV-ILQWA-ALS-----GSGKQVVE-SGPNHIFIFYSDHGGP-G--VLQMP--S--G-PYLYADO-LIDV--LKR-KHASGTYSKLVF-YIEACESGSIFEG-L-
LPEGLNIYATTASNAE-EDS-WGTYPGQD-----YPG-P--PPEYQ-TCLGDLYA-VSM-EDSEK--HNLR--ET-LQM-Q-YELV-KRRT--ANS--F--P-YAS-SHMVYQDLK-LMD--GP-LS-L-Y-----MGT
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KNAVLVAGSR-SGYMYNRHQDVCHAYQ-L-KK-GGLKDNITVPMYDD-IA-Y-DEENPRPGV-LINSP-Y-----G-----HDVY-AG-VPKDYTG--EDVT-VNMF-FA-ALLQK-DA--IT-GSGKQV-NSGPNHIFIFYSDHGG-AG--VLQMP--T--YPYLYA-DELT--ETLK-EKASGTYSKLV-YIEACESGSIFEG--
LPEGLNIYATTASNA-VE-SWGTYCPQ-G-----DPNPPPEY-DTCLGDLY-SVSM-IEDSE-R-HNL--HT--E-SL--KQYE-VVK--TKTA--E--KPFY--GSHVQYGD-KEL--TQD-RL-YL-Y-----MGT
Score=388
```

FULL pairwise sequencing code (PLEASE READ WARNING):

WARNING, PLEASE READ: You can use the code below to conduct a sequence alignment between each sequence in the SEED file; however, this will take up a lot of memory, a lot of computer processing power, and it may even crash your terminal. Running the code on VS studio may give you a bunch of random numbers in the terminal. Using an output file is strongly recommended for this program. If the program crashes, you can exit VS studio, and you should still have some, if not all pairwise sequences, analyzed on the output .txt file.

```
1  from Bio import AlignIO, pairwise2
2
3  sto_file = r"C:\Users\Tania\Downloads\PF01650.alignment.seed\PF01650.alignment.seed" #Insert your .seed filepath here
4  output_file = r"C:\Users\Tania\Documents\Bio notepad reads\pepc13_read.txt" #insert your .txt filepath here
5
6  alignment = AlignIO.read(sto_file, "stockholm")
7
8  with open(output_file, "w") as outfile:
9      for i in range(len(alignment)):
10         for j in range(i + 1, len(alignment)):
11             seq1 = str(alignment[i].seq)
12             seq2 = str(alignment[j].seq)
13
14             alignments = pairwise2.align.globalxx(seq1, seq2)
15
16             for aligned_pair in alignments:
17                 outfile.write(f"Pairwise alignment between sequences {i+1} and {j+1}:\n")
18                 outfile.write(pairwise2.format_alignment(*aligned_pair))
19                 outfile.write("\n")
20
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