# **Exploring Biological Databases**

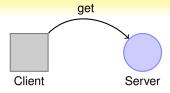
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EMBO Practical Course Computational analysis of protein-protein interactions: From sequences to networks

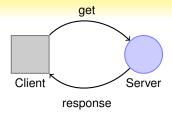




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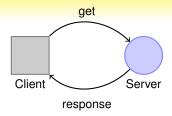
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response: HTML





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# response: TEXT/TSV

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ID SRC_HUMAN Reviewed; 536 AA.

AC P12931; E1P5V4; Q76P87; Q86VB9; Q9H5A8;

DT 01-OCT-1989, integrated into UniProtKB/Swiss-Prot.

DT 23-JAN-2007, sequence version 3.

DT 03-SEP-2014, entry version 187.

DE RecName: Full=Proto-oncogene tyrosine-protein kinase Src;
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#### Note:

For all these examples, any common browser can be used, however for proper 'programmatic' access tools such as 'curl' or 'wget' on the Linux/Mac commandline are much more efficient and can easily be incorporated into little scripts...

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#### Note:

Not meant to be a substitute for resources such as BioMART etc!



http://phospho.elm.eu.org/index.html

#### Access:

The PhosphoELM database can also be accessed via URL as follows:

- by substrate name:
- http://phospho.elm.eu.org/bySubstrate/Paxillin.html
- by **Uniprot ID**:
  - http://phospho.elm.eu.org/byAccession/P12931.html
- by Uniprot ID and Position
- http://phospho.elm.eu.org/byAccession/P12931/Pos17.html
- by ENSEMBL ID and multiple Positions
- http://phospho.elm.eu.org/byAccession/ENSP00000265709/Pos216,231.html
- by Uniprot name:
- http://phospho.elm.eu.org/byAccession/src\_human.html
- by Kinase:
- http://phospho.elm.eu.org/byKinase/Abl2.html
- **■** by **Binding domain**:
- http://phospho.elm.eu.org/byDomain/CBL\_SH2.html
- retrieve a **stored Sequence**:
- http://phospho.elm.eu.org/P12931.fasta
- retrieve data as CSV
- http://phospho.elm.eu.org/byAccession/P12931.csv
- retrieve data for a single position as CSV
- http://phospho.elm.eu.org/byAccession/P12931/Pos12.csv
- retrieve data for *multiple* IDs *as CSV*
- http://phospho.elm.eu.org/byAccession/P12931,P55211.csv
- using web-services:
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## Query

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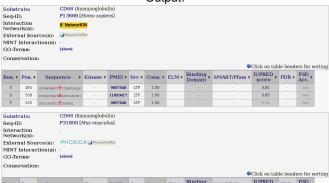
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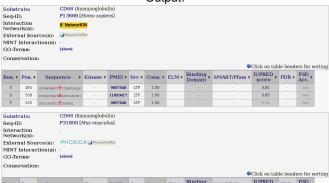


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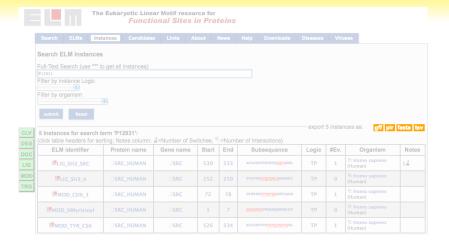
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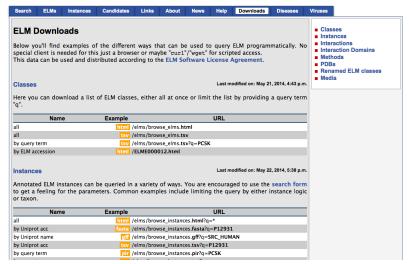
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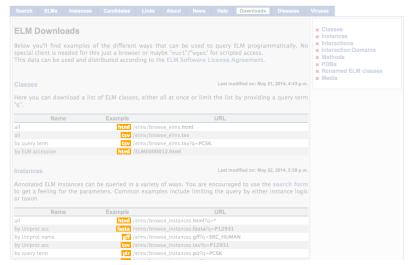
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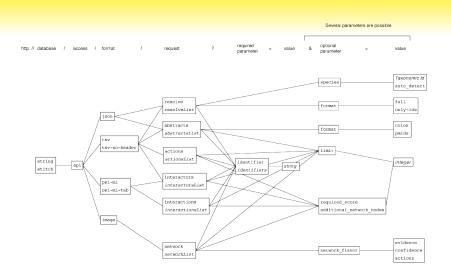
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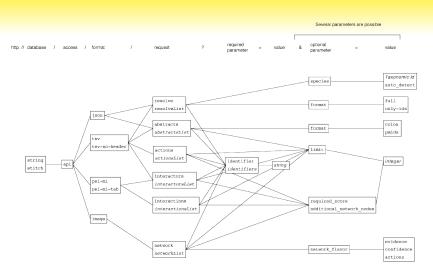
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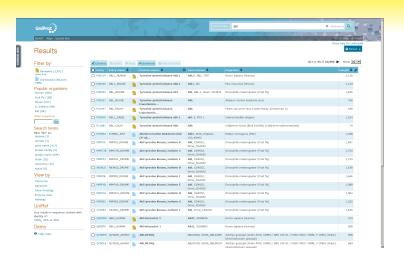


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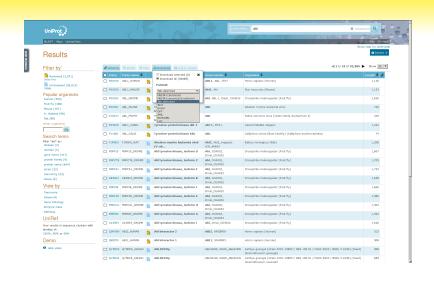


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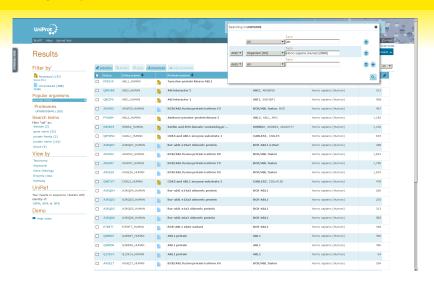
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# **Questions?**



EVERY TIME YOU ASK A STUPID QUESTION...
God kills a kitten.