

AAindex: Amino Acid Index Database

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<https://www.genome.jp/aaindex>

Introduction

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An amino acid index is a set of 20 numerical values representing any of the different physicochemical and biological properties of amino acids. The AAindex1 section of the Amino Acid Index Database is a collection of published indices together with the result of cluster analysis using the correlation coefficient as the distance between two indices. This section currently contains 566 indices.

Another important feature of amino acids that can be represented numerically is the similarity between amino acids. Thus, a similarity matrix, also called a mutation matrix, is a set of 210 numerical values, 20 diagonal and 20x19/2 off-diagonal elements, used for sequence alignments and similarity searches. The AAindex2 section of the Amino Acid Index Database is a collection of published amino acid mutation matrices together with the result of cluster analysis. This section currently contains 94 matrices.

Important Changes

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[release 9.0]

New database AAindex3 for contact potential matrices are added.

[release 6.0]

Since AAindex release 6.0, data format of AAindex2 had changed. The M field has been newly introduced instead of the I field. Actual data format of the M field is shown in the example below.

References

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Please cite the following references when making use of the database:

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(Data Format of AAindex1)

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* Each entry has the following format.
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* H Accession number
* D Data description
* R PMID
* A Author(s)
* T Title of the article
* J Journal reference
* * Comment or missing
* C Accession numbers of similar entries with the correlation
*   coefficients of 0.8 (-0.8) or more (less).
*   Notice: The correlation coefficient is calculated with zeros
*   filled for missing values.
* I Amino acid index data in the following order
*   Ala   Arg   Asn   Asp   Cys   Gln   Glu   Gly   His   Ile
*   Leu   Lys   Met   Phe   Pro   Ser   Thr   Trp   Tyr   Val
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(Data Format of AAindex2)

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* Each entry has the following format.
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* H Accession number
* D Data description
* R PMID
* A Author(s)
* T Title of the article
* J Journal reference
* * Comment or missing
* M rows = ARNDCQEGHILKMFPSTWYV, cols = ARNDCQEGHILKMFPSTWYV
* AA
* AR RR
* AN RN NN
* AD RD ND DD
* AC RC NC DC CC
* AQ RQ NQ DQ CQ QQ
* AE RE NE DE CE QE EE
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