

Transformers meets neoantigen detection: A systematics literature review

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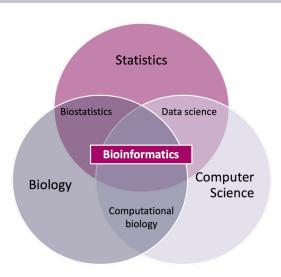
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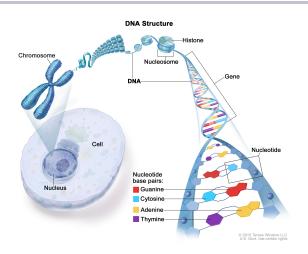


Figure: Where DNA is located [1].



>5263167 [E. coli] [hypothetical protein] TATGACCCATGCACCACTAGGGAGCTTAAATTCTGTTGGTGGTG TTGCTACTGAAATTAACTCTGTAAACTATGTATCTCCTAGATCT TGGTTAACATCATC

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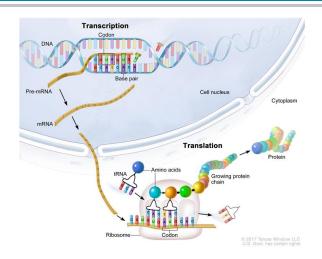


Figure: Transcription and translation [2].

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- Single-Nucleotide Variant (SNV), cambios a menos de 10 bases.
- ► Structural Variation (SV), cambios a mas de 10 bases, incluso pueden llegar a aumentar la cantidad de cromosomas.

Variantes y Mutaciones Ejemplo



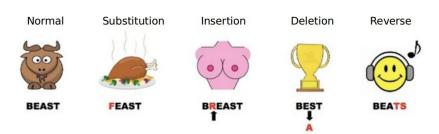
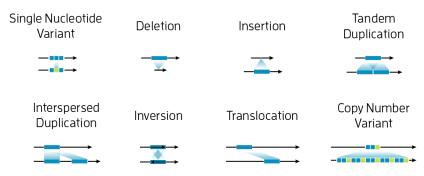


Figure: Overview of the Different Types of Point Mutations.

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Types of Variants

Figure: Example of structural variants. Source: [3]

Variaciones a nivel de cromosomas



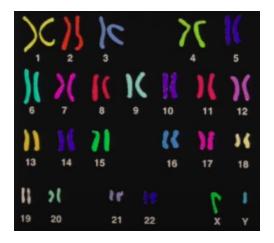


Figure: Los 46 cromosomas presentes en una célula.

Variaciones a nivel de cromosomas



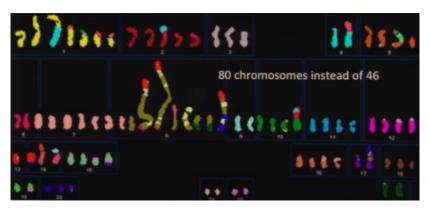


Figure: Cromosomas de una mujer con Cáncer de mama (1971).

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Es un tipo de tratamiento contra el Cáncer que estimula las defensas naturales del cuerpo para combatir el Cáncer [4].

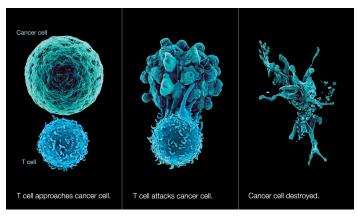


Figure: Ejemplo de como una célula T destruye células del cancer [5].



Es una **proteína** que se forma en las células de Cáncer cuando ocurre mutaciones en el DNA, cumplen un rol importante al **estimular una respuesta inmune** [1, 6].

En la actualidad hay varios métodos para detectar a predecir neo antígenos, pero **solo una pequeña cantidad de ellos** logran estimular al sistema inmune [7, 8].

Generación de vacunas



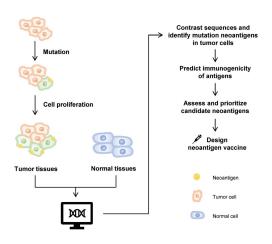


Figure: Proceso para la generación de vacunas personalizadas [9].

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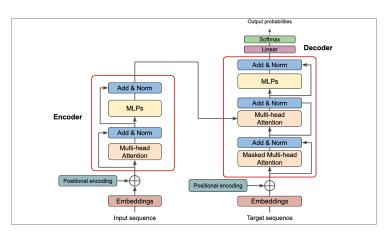
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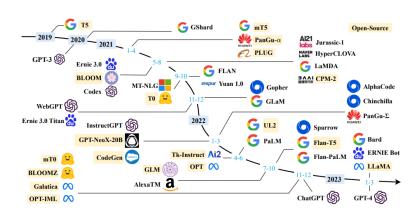
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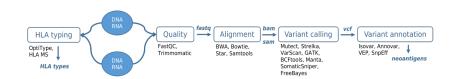




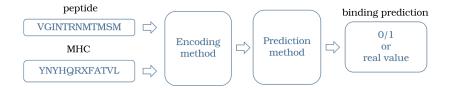
- 1. Sampling and sequencing
- 2. Neoantigen candidates detection
- 2.1 Alignment
- 2.2 Variant calling
- 2.3 Variant annotation

- 3. Neoantigen prioritization
- 3.1 Peptide-MHC binding prediction
- 3.2 pMHC-TCR binding prediction
- 4. Vaccine development in-vitro
 - 5. Clinical trials









Protein Language Models



Table: Pre-trainned BERT models for several protein tasks: TAPE, ProtBert, ESM1, and ESM-2.

Model	Dataset	Samples	Layers	Hidden size	Att. heads	Params.
TAPE	Pfam	30M	12	768	12	92M
ProtBert-BFD	BFD	2122M	30	1024	16	420M
ProtT5-XL	Uniref50, BFD	2122M	24	1024	32	3B
ProtT5-XXL	Uniref50, BFD	2122M	24	1024	128	11B
ESM-1 (6 layers)	Uniref50	60M	6	768	12	43M
ESM-1 (12 layers)	Uniref50	60M	12	768	12	85M
ESM-1 (34 layers)	Uniref50	60M	34	1280	20	670M
ESM-1b	Uniref50	60M	34	1280	20	650M
ESM-2 (6 layers)	Uniref50	60M	6	320	20	8M
ESM-2 (12 layers)	Uniref50	60M	12	480	20	35M
ESM-2 (30 layers)	Uniref50	60M	30	640	20	150M
ESM-2 (33 layers)	Uniref50	60M	33	1280	20	650M
ESM-2 (36 layers)	Uniref50	60M	36	2560	20	3B
ESM-2 (48 layers)	Uniref50	60M	48	5120	20	15B

Fin-tuning pMHC





Transformer models used in pMHC



Table: Transformers and deep learning methods with attention mechanism used for pMHC binding prediction.

Year	Name	Input	Model
2023[10]	ESM-GAT	One-hot	BERT with transfer learning from ESM1b and ESM2 fine-tuned with a Graph Attention Network (GAT) at the end. It outperformed NetMHCpan4.1.
2023[11]	CapsNet- MHC	BLOSUM62	Capsule Neural Network, it outperformed state-of-art tools for small peptides of 8 to 11-mer.
2023[12]	STMHCpan	One-hot	A Star-Transformer model, it use usefull for anylenght peptides and could extended for predicting T-cell responses.
2023[13]	DapNet-HLA	Fused word embedding	Combined the advantages of CNN, SENet (for pooling), and LSTM with attention.
2022[14]	HLAB	One-hot	BERT from ProtBert pre-trained model followed by a BiLSTM with attention mechanism.
2022[15]	MHC RoBERTa	One-hot	RoBERTa pre-trained and followed by 12 multi-head SA and a FC layers, it outperformed NetMHCPan 3.0.
2022[16]	TransPHLA	One-hot	It used SA mechanism based on four blocks, it slightly outperformed NetMHC- pan4.1 and is faster making predictions.
2021[17]	CapTransformer	One-hot	Transformer with cross attention pooling to capture local and global information.
2021[18]	ImmunoBERT	One-hot	BERT from TAPE pre-trained followed by a linear layer. Authors claimed that N-terminal and C-terminals are highly relevant after analysis with SHAP and LIME.

Conclusiones



Con el auge de los Transformers, cada vez se desarrollan mas propuestas de fine-tuning para diversas areas en Proteómica.

Se ha mejorado mucho el acierto para la detección de neo antígenos; sin embargo la gran variedad de tipos de Cancer aún es una tarea muy compleja.

Entrenar estos modelos implica un alto costo computacional lo cual dificulta la investigación de laboratorios perqueños.

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Questions?



