

DNA to Amino Acid Sequence using Python

Importing DNA data

From NCBI website, go to Nucleotide, and then write: NM_207618.2

- Results for Mus musculus vomeronasal 1 receptor, D18 (V1rd18), mRNA
- Click in FASTA
- Copy sequence:

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GGTCAGAAAAAGCCCTCTCCATGTCTACTCACGATACATCCCTGAAAACCACTGAGGAAGTGGCTTTTCA
GATCATCTTGCTTTGCCAGTTTGGGGTTGGGACTTTTGCCAATGTATTTCTCTTTGTCTATAATTTCTCT
CCAATCTCGACTGGTTCTAAACAGAGGCCAGACAAGTGATTTTAAGACACATGGCTGTGGCCAATGCCT
TAACTCTCTTCCCTCACTATATTTCCAAACAACATGATGACTTTTGCTCCAATTATTCCTCAAACCTGACCT
CAAATGTAAATTAGAATTCTTCACTCGCCTCGTGGCAAGAAGCACAACTTGTGTTCAACTTGTGTTCTG
AGTATCCATCAGTTTGTCACTTGTTCCTGTTAATTCAGGTAAAGGAATACTCAGAGCAAGTGTCACAA
ACATGGCAAGTTATTCTTGTTACAGTTGTTGGTTCTTCAGTGTCTTAAATAACATCTACATTCCAATTAA
GGTCACTGGTCCACAGTTAACAGACAATAACAATAACTCTAAAAGCAAGTTGTTCTGTTCCACTTCTGAT
TTCAGTGTAGGCATTGTCTTCTTGAGGTTTGCCCATGATGCCACATTCATGAGCATCATGGTCTGGACCA
GTGTCTCCATGGTACTTCTCCTCCATAGACATTGTCAGAGAATGCAGTACATATTCACTCTCAATCAGGA
CCCCAGGGGCCAAGCAGAGACCACAGCAACCCATACTATCCTGATGCTGGTAGTCACATTTGTTGGCTTT
TATCTTCTAAGTCTTATTTGTATCATCTTTTACACCTATTTTATATATTCTCATCATTCCTGAGGCATT
GCAATGACATTTTGGTTTCGGGTTTCCCTACAATTTCTCCTTTACTGTTGACCTTCAGAGACCCTAAGGG
TCCTTGTTCTGTGTTCTTCAACTGTTGAAAGCCAGAGTCACTAAAAATGCCAAACACAGAAGACAGCTTT
GCTAATACCATTAATACTTTATTCCATAAATATGTTTTTAAAAGCTTGATGAACAAGGTATGGTGCTC
ACTGCTATACTTATAAAAAGAGTAAGGTTATAATCACTTGTTGATATGAAAAGATTTCTGGTTGGAATCTG
ATTGAAACAGTGAGTTATTCACCACCCTCCATTCTCT
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- Save it as txt file, for example: dna.txt, in a folder:
DNA_translation

To clean the data: eliminate " and other possible extra characters

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In [1]: inputfile = 'dna.txt'
f = open(inputfile, "r")
dna = f.read()

dna = dna.replace("\n", "")

dna = dna.replace("\r", "")
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In [2]: print (dna)
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GGTCAGAAAAAGCCCTCTCCATGTCTACTCACGATACATCCCTGAAAACCACTGAGGAAGTGGCTTTTCA
GATCATCTTTGCTTTGCCAGTTTGGGGTTGGGACTTTTGCCAATGTATTTCTCTTTGTCTATAATTTCTCT
CCAATCTCGACTGGTTCTAAACAGAGGCCAGACAAGTGATTTTAAGACACATGGCTGTGGCCAATGCCT
TAACTCTCTTCTCACTATATTTCCAAACAACATGATGACTTTTGCTCCAATTATTCCTCAAACCTGACCT
CAAATGTAAATTAGAATTCTTCACTCGCCTCGTGGCAAGAAGCACAACTTGTGTTCAACTTGTGTTCTG
AGTATCCATCAGTTTGTACACTTGTTCCTGTTAATTCAGGTAAAGGAATACTCAGAGCAAGTGTCACAA
ACATGGCAAGTTATTCTTGTACAGTTGTTGGTTCTTCAGTGTCTTAAATAACATCTACATTCCAATTAA
GGTCACTGGTCCACAGTTAACAGACAATAACAATAACTCTAAAAGCAAGTTGTTCTGTTCCACTTCTGAT
TTCAGTGTAGGCATTGTCTTCTTGAGGTTTGCCCATGATGCCACATTCATGAGCATCATGGTCTGGACCA
GTGTCTCCATGGTACTTCTCCTCCATAGACATTGTCAGAGAATGCAGTACATATTCACTCTCAATCAGGA
CCCCAGGGGCCAAGCAGAGACCACAGCAACCCATACTATCCTGATGCTGGTAGTCACATTTGTTGGCTTT
TATCTTCTAAGTCTTATTTGTATCATCTTTTACACCTATTTTATATATTCTCATCATTCCCTGAGGCATT
GCAATGACATTTTGGTTTCGGGTTTCCCTACAATTTCTCCTTTACTGTTGACCTTCAGAGACCCTAAGGG
TCCTTGTTCTGTGTTCTTCAACTGTTGAAAGCCAGAGTCACTAAAAATGCCAAACACAGAAGACAGCTTT
GCTAATACCATTAAATACTTTATTCCATAAATATGTTTTTAAAGCTTGTATGAACAAGGTATGGTGCTC
ACTGCTATACTTATAAAAGAGTAAGGTTATAATCACTTGTTGATATGAAAAGATTTCTGGTTGGAATCTG
ATTGAAACAGTGAGTTATTCACCACCTCCATTCTCT
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Using libraries (Key string to Values) will connect DNA sequence of 3 nucleotides with Amino Acids. For example, nucleotides 'ACA' (codon) corresponds to Amino Acid 'T'

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In [3]: table = {
'ATA': 'I', 'ATC': 'I', 'ATT': 'I', 'ATG': 'M',
'ACA': 'T', 'ACC': 'T', 'ACG': 'T', 'ACT': 'T',
'AAC': 'N', 'AAT': 'N', 'AAA': 'K', 'AAG': 'K',
'AGC': 'S', 'AGT': 'S', 'AGA': 'R', 'AGG': 'R',
'CTA': 'L', 'CTC': 'L', 'CTG': 'L', 'CTT': 'L',
'CCA': 'P', 'CCC': 'P', 'CCG': 'P', 'CCT': 'P',
'CAC': 'H', 'CAT': 'H', 'CAA': 'Q', 'CAG': 'Q',
'CGA': 'R', 'CGC': 'R', 'CGG': 'R', 'CGT': 'R',
'GTA': 'V', 'GTC': 'V', 'GTG': 'V', 'GTT': 'V',
'GCA': 'A', 'GCC': 'A', 'GCG': 'A', 'GCT': 'A',
'GAC': 'D', 'GAT': 'D', 'GAA': 'E', 'GAG': 'E',
'GGA': 'G', 'GGC': 'G', 'GGG': 'G', 'GGT': 'G',
'TCA': 'S', 'TCC': 'S', 'TCG': 'S', 'TCT': 'S',
'TTC': 'F', 'TTT': 'F', 'TTA': 'L', 'TTG': 'L',
'TAC': 'Y', 'TAT': 'Y', 'TAA': '_', 'TAG': '_',
'TGC': 'C', 'TGT': 'C', 'TGA': '_', 'TGG': 'W'}
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In [4]: # To verify 'table' is working, run something like
table ['GGA']
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Out[4]: 'G'
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Create a function to do the translation

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In [5]: def translate (dna):
        """Translate a string containing a nucleotide sequence into a string
        containing the corresponding sequence of amino acids. Nucleotides are
        translated in triplets using the table dictionary; each amino acid
        is encoded with a string of length 1."""

        table = {
            'ATA': 'I', 'ATC': 'I', 'ATT': 'I', 'ATG': 'M',
            'ACA': 'T', 'ACC': 'T', 'ACG': 'T', 'ACT': 'T',
            'AAC': 'N', 'AAT': 'N', 'AAA': 'K', 'AAG': 'K',
            'AGC': 'S', 'AGT': 'S', 'AGA': 'R', 'AGG': 'R',
            'CTA': 'L', 'CTC': 'L', 'CTG': 'L', 'CTT': 'L',
            'CCA': 'P', 'CCC': 'P', 'CCG': 'P', 'CCT': 'P',
            'CAC': 'H', 'CAT': 'H', 'CAA': 'Q', 'CAG': 'Q',
            'CGA': 'R', 'CGC': 'R', 'CGG': 'R', 'CGT': 'R',
            'GTA': 'V', 'GTC': 'V', 'GTG': 'V', 'GTT': 'V',
            'GCA': 'A', 'GCC': 'A', 'GCG': 'A', 'GCT': 'A',
            'GAC': 'D', 'GAT': 'D', 'GAA': 'E', 'GAG': 'E',
            'GGA': 'G', 'GGC': 'G', 'GGG': 'G', 'GGT': 'G',
            'TCA': 'S', 'TCC': 'S', 'TCG': 'S', 'TCT': 'S',
            'TTC': 'F', 'TTT': 'F', 'TTA': 'L', 'TTG': 'L',
            'TAC': 'Y', 'TAT': 'Y', 'TAA': '_', 'TAG': '_',
            'TGC': 'C', 'TGT': 'C', 'TGA': '_', 'TGG': 'W'}

        protein = ""
        # Check the sequence length is divisible by 3
        if len(dna) % 3 == 0:
            # Loop over the sequence
            for i in range (0, len(dna), 3):
                # extract a single codon
                codon = dna [i : i+3]
                # look up the codon and store the result
                protein += table[codon]

        return protein
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Applying the translate function to 'dna' for the index between 20:935

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In [6]: translate (dna[20:935])
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Out[6]: 'MSTHDTSLKTTEEVAFAQIILLCCQFGVGTAFANVFLFVYNFSPISTGSKQRPRQVILRHMAVANALTFLTLT
IFPNNMMTFAPIIPQTDLKCKLEFFTRLVARSTNLCSTCVLSIHQFVTLVPVNSGKGILRASVTNMASSYS
CYSCWFFSVLNNIYIPIKVTGPQLTDNNNNNSKSKLFCSTSDFSVGIVFLRFADATFMSIMVWTSVSMVL
LLHRHCQRMQYIFTLNQDPRGQAETTATHTILMLVVTFVGFYLLSLICIIIFYTYFIYSHHSLRHCNDILV
SGFPTISPLLLTFRDPKGPCSVFFNC'
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To verify if the Amino Acid sequence is the same as in NCBI

In the same web page used before, click in CDS (under Features). Note: They specify the values 21...938 which in python is 20:938, also the last 3 are a natural stop codon not included in the downloaded protein. The values used are 20:935

- Copy the values from: /translation = " "
- Save those as a text file in the same folder (DNA_translation) created before as 'protein.txt'

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In [7]: # Bring the protein values to python
def read_seq(inputfile):

    with open (inputfile, 'r') as f:
        seq = f.read()
        seq = seq.replace ('\n', '')
        seq = seq.replace ('\r', '')
    return seq
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In [8]: prt = read_seq('protein.txt')
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In [9]: prt
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Out[9]: 'MSTHDTSLKTTEEVAFAQIILLCCQFGVGTAFANVFLFVYNFSPISTGSKQRPRQVILRHMAVANALTFLTLT
IFPNNMMTFAPIIPQTDLKCKLEFFTRLVARSTNLCSTCVLSIHQFVTLVPVNSGKGILRASVTNMASSYS
CYSCWFFSVLNNIYIPIKVTGPQLTDNNNNNSKSKLFCSTSDFSVGIVFLRFADATFMSIMVWTSVSMVL
LLHRHCQRMQYIFTLNQDPRGQAETTATHTILMLVVTFVGFYLLSLICIIIFYTYFIYSHHSLRHCNDILV
SGFPTISPLLLTFRDPKGPCSVFFNC'
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In [10]: # Comparing the results between 'prt' (from the NCBI) and results using
prt == translate (dna[20:935])
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Out[10]: True
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