# REFRACT Update presentation

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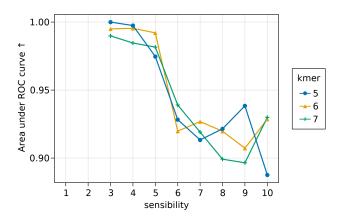


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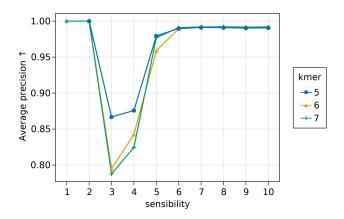


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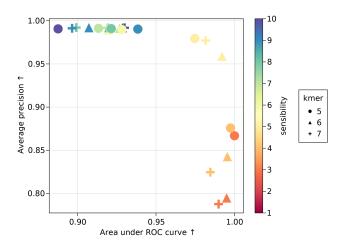


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The optimal parameters for Foldseek for searching for ACE1-like proteins are:

- ► Sensibility of 5
- ▶ k-mer size of 5, 6 or 7

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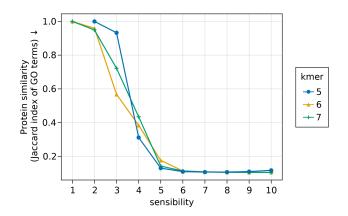


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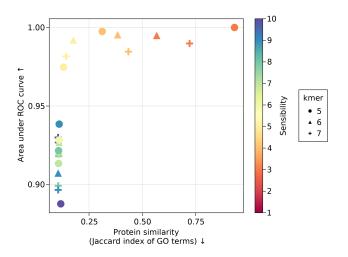


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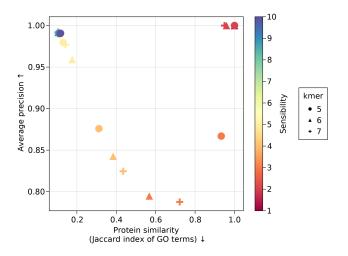


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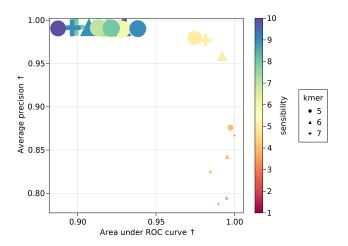


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