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The Find-a-Gene Project

[Q1] Tell me the name of a protein you are interested in. Include the species and the accession number. This can be a human protein or a protein from any other species as long as its function is known.

Name: Hexokinase HKDC1

Accession: NP_079406.4

Species: Homo Sapiens

Function: Enzyme that catalyzes the phosphorylation reaction from glucose to glucose 6-phosphate in anaerobic glycolysis.

[Q2] Perform a BLAST search against a DNA database, such as a database consisting of genomic DNA or ESTs. The BLAST server can be at NCBI or elsewhere. Include details of the BLAST method used, database searched and any limits applied (e.g. Organism).

Method: TBLASTN

Database: Expressed Sequence Tags (est)

Also include the output of that BLAST search in your document. If appropriate, change the font to Courier size 10 so that the results are displayed neatly. You can also screen capture a BLAST output (e.g. alt print screen on a PC or on a MAC press ⌘-shift-4. The pointer becomes a bulls eye. Select the area you wish to capture and release. The image is saved as a file called Screen Shot [].png in your Desktop directory). It is not necessary to print out all of the blast results if there are many pages.

Translated BLAST: tblastn

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tblastx

TBLASTN search translated nucleotide databases using a protein query. more...

Enter Query Sequence

Enter accession number(s), gi(s), or FASTA sequence(s) [?](#) [Clear](#)

REF|NP_079406.4

Query subrange [?](#)
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Enter a descriptive title for your BLAST search [?](#)

☐ Align two or more sequences [?](#)

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Expressed sequence tags (est) [?](#)

Organism Optional

Enter organism name or id-completions will be suggested

Enter organism common name, binomial, or tax id. Only 20 top taxa will be shown [?](#)

☐ exclude [Add organism](#)

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☐ Models (XM/XP) ☐ Uncultured/environmental sample sequences

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☐ Sequences from type material

Entrez Query Optional
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Enter an Entrez query to limit search [?](#)

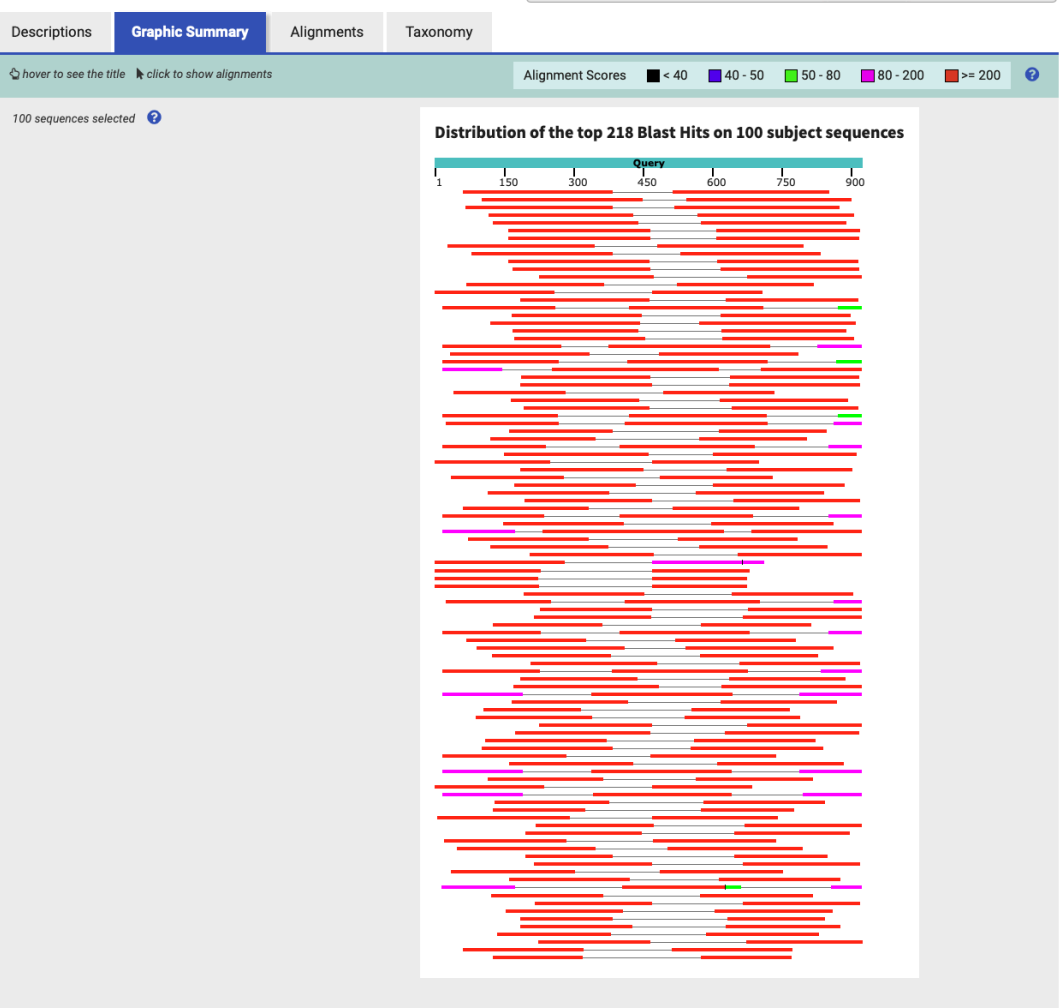
BLAST

Search database est using Tblastn (search translated nucleotide databases using a protein query)
☐ Show results in a new window

On the BLAST results, clearly indicate a match that represents a protein sequence, encoded from some DNA sequence, that is homologous to your query protein. I need to be able to inspect the pairwise alignment you have selected, including the E value and score. It should be labeled a "genomic clone" or "mRNA sequence", etc. - but include no functional annotation.

Chosen match: Accession DW042087.1, a 1046 base pair clone from *Gasterosteus aculeatus*. See below for alignment details.

Descriptions	Graphic Summary	Alignments	Taxonomy
Sequences producing significant alignments			
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GenBank Graphics			
Description	Scientific Name	Max Score	Total Score
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CFW299-G09.y1d-s SHGC-CFW2 Gasterosteus aculeatus cDNA clone CFW299-G09 5'. mRNA sequence	Gasterosteus ac...	563	932
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FY595829 full-length enriched lammar hypothalamus cDNA library Notamacropus eugenii cDNA clone MEHC-05...	Notamacropus e...	550	849
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CGX106-F08.y1d-s SHGC-CGX2 Gasterosteus aculeatus cDNA clone CGX106-F08 5'. mRNA sequence	Gasterosteus ac...	545	902
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CFW230-F01.y1d-s SHGC-CFW2 Gasterosteus aculeatus cDNA clone CFW230-F01 5'. mRNA sequence	Gasterosteus ac...	540	865
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CLJ361-K04.y1d-s SHGC-CLJ2 Gasterosteus aculeatus cDNA clone CLJ361-K04 5'. mRNA sequence	Gasterosteus ac...	539	868
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CNB226-H01.y1d-s SHGC-CNB Gasterosteus aculeatus cDNA clone CNB226-H01 5'. mRNA sequence	Gasterosteus ac...	518	844
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FS543811 OLTE Oryzias latipes cDNA clone olte31h08 3'. mRNA sequence	Oryzias latipes	513	849
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CLJ399-E01.y1d-s SHGC-CLJ2 Gasterosteus aculeatus cDNA clone CLJ399-E01 5'. mRNA sequence	Gasterosteus ac...	508	873
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AL545788 Homo sapiens PLACENTA COT 25-NORMALIZED Homo sapiens cDNA clone CS0DI023YR16 5-PR1...	Homo sapiens	508	850
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FS554878 OLTE Oryzias latipes cDNA clone olte65c12 3'. mRNA sequence	Oryzias latipes	505	831
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FS537768 OLTE Oryzias latipes cDNA clone olte14a04 3'. mRNA sequence	Oryzias latipes	502	828
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGENCOURT_8732884 NIH_MGC_101 Homo sapiens cDNA clone IMAGE:6455092 5'. mRNA sequence	Homo sapiens	500	767
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> JGI_CABH5880.fwd NIH_XGC_tropSkelMus1 Xenopus tropicalis cDNA clone IMAGE:7849591 5'. mRNA sequence	Xenopus tropicalis	495	840
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UI-M-HY0p-ctb-i-06-0-UI.r1 NIH_BMAP_HY0p Mus musculus cDNA clone IMAGE:30696293 5'. mRNA sequence	Mus musculus	488	766
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FS556126 OLTE Oryzias latipes cDNA clone olte68m18 3'. mRNA sequence	Oryzias latipes	480	789
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> G1144P35FF22.T0 Anolis carolinensis pooled normalized embryo cDNA library Anolis carolinensis cDNA. mRNA...	Anolis carolinensis	480	805
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> JGI_CAAS11331.fwd CAAS Pimephales promelas brain 7-8 month adults, males and females pooled (H) Pimeph...	Pimephales pro...	479	774
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CNB68-G12.y1d-s SHGC-CNB Gasterosteus aculeatus cDNA clone CNB68-G12 5'. mRNA sequence	Gasterosteus ac...	481	778



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Descriptions

CFW299-G09.y1d-s SHGC-CFW2 Gasterosteus aculeatus cDNA clone CFW299-G09 5', mRNA sequence

Sequence ID: DW042087.1
Length: 1046
Number of Matches: 2

Range 1: 31 to 1044
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Score	Expect	Method	Identities	Positives	Gaps	Frame
563 bits(1452)	0.0	Compositional matrix adjust.	269/338(80%)	298/338(88%)	1/338(0%)	+1
Query 510	RMLPTYVCGLPDGTEKGFALDLGGTNFRVLLVKIRSG-RRSVRMYNKIFAIPLEIMQG					568
Sbjct 31	+MLPT+V PDG+E G FLALDLGGTNFRVLLVKIRSG RR+V M+NKI++IPLE+M G QMLPTFVHSTPDGSEHGDFALDLGGTNFRVLLVKIRSGKRRVTVMHNNKIYSIPLEVMTG					210
Query 569	TGEELFDHIVQCIADFLDYMGKASLPLGFTFSFPCROMSIDKGTIGWTKGFKATDCE					628
Sbjct 211	TGEELFDHIVQCI+DFLDYMG+K LPLGFTFSFPCRQ 5+D G L+ WTKGFKATDCE TGEELFDHIVQICISDFLDYMGKMNTRLPLGFTFSFPCRQTSLDAGVLVTWTKGFKATDCE					390
Query 629	GEDVVDMLREAIKRRNEFDLDIVAVVNDTVGTMTCGYEDPNCEIGLIAGTGSNMCYMED					688
Sbjct 391	GEDVV +LREAIKRR EFDLD+VAVVNDTVGTMTC YE+P CEIGLIAGTGSN CYME+ GEDVGLLREAIKRRNEFDLDVAVVNDTVGTMTCAYEEPTCEIGLIAGTGSNACYMEE					570
Query 689	MRNIEMVEGGEGKMCINTEWGGFGDNGCIDDIWTRYDTEVDEGSLNPGKQRYEKMSTSGMY					748
Sbjct 571	MRNIEM++G EG+MC+N EWG FGDNGC+DDI T YD VD+ SLN GKQRYEKM SGMY MRNIEMIDGEEGRMCVNMEWGAFGDNGCLDDIRTDYDRAVDVDFSLNSGKQRYEKMCSGMY					750
Query 749	LGEIVRQILIDLTKQGLLFRGQISERLRTRGIFETKFLSQIESDRLALLQVRRILQQLGL					808
Sbjct 751	LGEIVR ILID+TK+G LFRGQISE L+TRGIFETKFLSQIESDRLALLQVR ILQ LGL LGEIVRNILIDMTKRGLFRGQISETLKTGRIFETKFLSQIESDRLALLQVRSILQHLGL					930
Query 809	DSTCEDSIIVKVECVGAVSRRAAQLCGAGLAAIVEKRRE					846
Sbjct 931	DSTC+DSI+ K VCGAVSRRAA LCGAG+AA+VE RE DSTCDDSIIGKXVCGAVSRRAAXLCGAGMAAVVE+IRE					1044

Alignment details:

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>gb|DW042087.1| CFW299-G09.y1d-s SHGC-CFW2 Gasterosteus aculeatus  
cDNA clone CFW299-G09 5', mRNA sequence  
Length: 1046
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Score = 563 bits (1452), Expect = 0.0, Method: compositional matrix adjust. Identities  
= 269/338 (80%), Positives = 298/338 (88%), Gaps = 1/338 (0%)  
Frame = +1
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Query 510 RMLPTYVCGLPDGTEKGKFLALDLGGTNFRVLLVKIRSG-RRSVRMYNKIFAIPLEIMQG 568  
+MLPT+V PDG+E G FLALDLGGTNFRVLLVKIRSG RR+V M+NKI++IPLE+M G  
Sbjct 31 QMLPTFVHSTPDGSEHGDFLALDLGGTNFRVLLVKIRSGKRRTVEMHNKIYSIPLEVMTG 210  
  
Query 569 TGEELFDHIVQCIADFLDYMGKGLASLPLGFTFSFPCRQMSIDKGTIGWTKGFKATDCE 628  
TGEELFDHIVQCI+DFLDYMG+K LPLGFTFSFPCRQ S+D G L+ WTKGFKATDCE  
Sbjct 211 TGEELFDHIVQCISDFLDYMGKMNTRLPLGFTFSFPCRQTSLDAGVLVTWTKGFKATDCE 390  
  
Query 629 GEDVVDMLREAIKRRNEFDLDIVAVVNDTVGTMTCGYEDPNCEIGLIAGTGSNMCYMED 688  
GEDVV +LREAIKRR EFDLD+VAVVNDTVGTMTC YE+P CEIGLIAGTGSN CYME+  
Sbjct 391 GEDVVGLLREAIKRREEFDLDVAVVNDTVGTMTCAYEEPTCEIGLIAGTGSNACYMEE 570  
  
Query 689 MRNIEMVEGEGKMCINTEWGGFGDNGCIDDIWTRYDTEVDEGSLNPGKQRYEKMTSGMY 748  
MRNIEM++G EG+MC+N EWG FGDNGC+DDI T YD VD+ SLN GKQRYEKM SGMY  
Sbjct 571 MRNIEMIDGEEGRMCVNMWGAFGDNGCLDDIRTDYDRAVDDFSLNSGKQRYEKMCSGMY 750  
  
Query 749 LGEIVRQILIDLTKQGLLFRGQISERLRTRGIFETKFLSQIESDRLALLQVRRILQQLGL 808  
LGEIVR ILID+TK+G LFRGQISE L+TRGIFETKFLSQIESDRLALLQVR ILQ LGL  
Sbjct 751 LGEIVRNILIDMTKRGFLFRGQISETLKTGRGIFETKFLSQIESDRLALLQVRSILQHLGL 930  
  
Query 809 DSTCEDSIIVKEVCGAVSRRRAQLCGAGLAAIVEKRRE 846  
DSTC+DSI+ K VCGAVSRRRA LCGAG+AA+VE RE  
Sbjct 931 DSTCDDSIIGKXVCGAVSRRRAAXLCGAGMAAVVE*IRE 1044
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In general, [Q2] is the most difficult for students because it requires you to have a “feel” for how to interpret BLAST results. You need to distinguish between a perfect match to your query (i.e. a sequence that is not “novel”), a near match (something that might be “novel”, depending on the results of [Q4]), and a non-homologous result. If you are having trouble finding a novel gene try restricting your search to an organism that is poorly annotated.

[Q3] Gather information about this “novel” protein. At a minimum, show me the protein sequence of the “novel” protein as displayed in your BLAST results from [Q2] as FASTA format (you can copy and paste the aligned sequence subject lines from your BLAST result page if necessary) or translate your novel DNA sequence using a tool called EMBOSS Transeq at the EBI. Don’t forget to translate all six reading frames; the ORF (open reading frame) is likely to be the longest sequence without a stop codon. It may not start with a methionine if you don’t have the complete coding region. Make sure the sequence you provide includes a header/subject line and is in traditional FASTA format.

Chosen sequence: > three-spined stickleback | EMBOSS_001_1
(sequence taken from EMBOSS Transeq at the EBI)
RSGFPG*LPCQMLPTFVHSTPDGSEHGDFLALDLGGTNFRVLLVKIRSGKRRTVEMHNKI
YSIPLEVMTGTGEELFDHIVQCISDFLDYMGMKNTRLPLGFTFSFPCRQTSLDAGVLVTW
TKGFKATDCEGEDVVGLLREAIKRREEFDLDVVAVVNDTVGTMMTCAYEPTCEIGLIAG
TGSNACYMEEMRNIEMIDGEEGRMCVNM EWGAFGDNGCLDDIRTDYDRAVDDFSLNSGKQ
RYEKMCSGMYLGEIVRNILIDMTKRGF LFRGQISETLKTRGIFETKFLSQIESDRLALLQ
VRSILQHLGLDSTCDDSIIGKXVCGAVSRRAAXLCGAGMAAVVE*IRET

Here, tell me the name of the novel protein, and the species from which it derives. It is very unlikely (but still definitely possible) that you will find a novel gene from an organism such as *S. cerevisiae*, human or mouse, because those genomes have already been thoroughly annotated. It is more likely that you will discover a new gene in a genome that is currently being sequenced, such as bacteria or plants or protozoa.

Name: Three-spined stickleback

Species: *Gasterosteus aculeatus*

Eukaryota; Metazoa; Chordata; Craniata; Vertebrata; Euteleostomi;
Actinopterygii; Neopterygii; Teleostei; Neoteleostei;
Acanthomorphata; Eupercaria; Perciformes; Cottioidei;
Gasterosteales; Gasterosteidae; *Gasterosteus*.

[Q4] Prove that this gene, and its corresponding protein, are novel. For the purposes of this project, “novel” is defined as follows. Take the protein sequence (your answer to [Q3]), and use it as a query in a blastp search of the nr database at NCBI.

- If there is a match with 100% amino acid identity to a protein in the database, from the same species, then your protein is NOT novel (even if the match is to a protein with a name such as “unknown”). Someone has already found and annotated this sequence, and assigned it an accession number.
- If the top match reported has less than 100% identity, then it is likely that your protein is novel, and you have succeeded.
- If there is a match with 100% identity, but to a different species than the one you started with, then you have likely succeeded in finding a novel gene.
- If there are no database matches to the original query from [Q1], this indicates that you have partially succeeded: yes, you may have found a new gene, but no, it is not actually homologous to the original query. You should probably start over.

Details: A BLASTP search against NR database yielded a top hit result to a protein from *Gasterosteus aculeatus aculeatus* (three-spined stickleback).

See additional screen shots below for top hits and selected alignment details:

blastn

blastp

blastx

tblastn

tblastx

Standard Protein BLAST

BLASTP programs search protein databases using a protein query. more...

Enter Query Sequence

Enter accession number(s), g(i)s, or FASTA sequence(s) ? Clear

>EMBOSS_001_1 (sequence taken from EMBOSS Transeq at the EBI)

RSGFPG*LPQQLPTFVHSTPDGSEHGDFLALDLGGTNFRVLLVKIRSGKRRTV

EMHNKI

YSIPLEVMGTGTGEELFDHIVQCISDFLDYMGMKNTRLPLGFTSFPCRTSLDA

Query subrange ?

From

To

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Job Title

EMBOSS_001_1 (sequence taken from EMBOSS Transeq...

Enter a descriptive title for your BLAST search ?

☐ Align two or more sequences ?

Choose Search Set

Databases

☒ Standard databases (nr etc.):
☐ Experimental databases

Compare

☐ Select to compare standard and experimental database ?

Standard

Database

Non-redundant protein sequences (nr) ?

Organism

Optional

☐ exclude

Add organism

Enter organism common name, binomial, or tax id. Only 20 top taxa will be shown ?

Exclude

Optional

☐ Models (XM/XP)
☐ Non-redundant RefSeq proteins (WP)
☐ Uncultured/environmental sample sequences

Program Selection

Algorithm

☐ Quick BLASTP (Accelerated protein-protein BLAST)
☒ blastp (protein-protein BLAST)
☐ PSI-BLAST (Position-Specific Iterated BLAST)
☐ PHI-BLAST (Pattern Hit Initiated BLAST)
☐ DELTA-BLAST (Domain Enhanced Lookup Time Accelerated BLAST)

Choose a BLAST algorithm ?

BLAST

Search database nr using Blastp (protein-protein BLAST)
☐ Show results in a new window

The top result is to a protein from *Gasterosteus aculeatus aculeatus* (three-spined stickleback), see second screen shot below for alignment details:

Descriptions	Graphic Summary	Alignments	Taxonomy					
Sequences producing significant alignments								
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> select all 100 sequences selected GenPept Graphics Distance tree of results Multiple alignment MSA Viewer								
Description	Scientific Name	Max Score	Total Score	Query Cover	E value	Per. Ident	Acc. Len	Accession
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> hexokinase-1 [Gasterosteus aculeatus aculeatus]	Gasterosteus aculeatus aculeatus	686	1089	97%	0.0	97.94%	918	XP_040059250.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> hexokinase-1 isoform X4 [Pungitius pungitius]	Pungitius pungitius	675	1080	97%	0.0	96.46%	918	XP_037340606.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> hexokinase-1-like [Cyclopterus lumpus]	Cyclopterus lumpus	671	1069	97%	0.0	94.99%	918	XP_034413042.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> hexokinase-1 [Cebidichthys violaceus]	Cebidichthys violaceus	671	1074	97%	0.0	95.58%	918	XP_068586364.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> hexokinase-1 isoform X1 [Anarrhichthys ocellatus]	Anarrhichthys ocellatus	670	1072	97%	0.0	95.58%	918	XP_031702071.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> hexokinase-1 isoform X2 [Anarrhichthys ocellatus]	Anarrhichthys ocellatus	669	1071	97%	0.0	95.58%	898	XP_031702072.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> hexokinase-1 [Anoplopoma fimbria]	Anoplopoma fimbria	669	1068	97%	0.0	94.99%	918	XP_054464563.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> hexokinase-1 [Dicentrarchus labrax]	Dicentrarchus labrax	667	1075	97%	0.0	94.40%	918	XP_051236422.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> hexokinase-1 [Centropristis striata]	Centropristis striata	666	1077	97%	0.0	94.40%	918	XP_059202075.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> hexokinase-1 [Sebastes umbrosus]	Sebastes umbrosus	665	1066	97%	0.0	94.40%	918	XP_037650484.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> hexokinase-1 [Salarias fasciatus]	Salarias fasciatus	665	1069	97%	0.0	94.40%	918	XP_029950866.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> hexokinase-1 [Acanthopagrus latus]	Acanthopagrus latus	665	1072	97%	0.0	94.40%	918	XP_036952671.1

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Alignment view

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hexokinase-1 [Gasterosteus aculeatus aculeatus]

Sequence ID: XP_040059250.1 Length: 918 Number of Matches: 2

Range 1: 510 to 848

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Previous Match

Score	Expect	Method	Identities	Positives	Gaps
686 bits(1769)	0.0	Compositional matrix adjust.	332/339(98%)	334/339(98%)	0/339(0%)
Query 11	QMLPTFVHSTPDGSEHGDFLALDLGGTNFRVLLVKIRSGKRRVEMHNKIYSIPLEVMTG				70
Sbjct 510	+MLPTFVHSTPDGSEHGDFLALDLGGTNFRVLLVKIRSGKRRVEMHNKIYSIPLEVMTG				569
Query 71	TGEELFDHIVQICISDFLDYMGKMNTRLPLGFTFSFPCRQTSLDAGVLVTWTKGFKATDCE				130
Sbjct 570	TGEELFDHIVQICISDFLDYMGKMNTRLPLGFTFSFPCRQTSLDAGVLVTWTKGFKATDCE				629
Query 131	GEDVVGLLREAIKRREFFDLVVAVVNDTVGTMTCAYEPTCEIGLIAGTGSNACYMEE				190
Sbjct 630	GEDVVGLLREAIKRREFFDLVVAVVNDTVGTMTCAYEPTCEIGLIAGTGSNACYMEE				689
Query 191	MRNIEMIDGEEGRMCVNMEWGAFGDNGCLDDIRTDYDRAVDDFSLNSGKORYEKMCSGMY				250
Sbjct 690	MRNIEMIDGEEGRMCVNMEWGAFGDNGCLDDIRTDYDRAVDDFSLNSGKORYEKMCSGMY				749
Query 251	LGEIVRNILDMTKRGFLFRGQISETLTKRGIFETKFLSQIESDRALLQVRSILQHLGL				310
Sbjct 750	LGEIVRNILDMTKRGFLFRGQISETLTKRGIFETKFLSQIESDRALLQVRSILQHLGL				809
Query 311	DSTCDDSIIGKXVCGAVSRAAXLCGAGMAAVVE*IRET			349	
Sbjct 810	DSTCDDSIIGKXVCGAVSRAAXLCGAGMAAVVE*IRET			848	

Range 2: 62 to 400

GenPept

Graphics

Next Match

Previous Match

First Match

Score	Expect	Method	Identities	Positives	Gaps
403 bits(1036)	2e-129	Compositional matrix adjust.	186/339(55%)	257/339(75%)	0/339(0%)
Query 11	QMLPTFVHSTPDGSEHGDFLALDLGGTNFRVLLVKIRSGKRRVEMHNKIYSIPLEVMTG				70
Sbjct 62	+MLPTFV S PDGSE GDF+ALDLGG+NFR+L V++ K++TV+M ++IY P +++ G				121
Query 71	TGEELFDHIVQICISDFLDYMGKMNTRLPLGFTFSFPCRQTSLDAGVLVTWTKGFKATDCE				130
Sbjct 122	+G LFDH+ +C+ DF++ +K+ +LP+G TFSFPC+QT LD GVL+TWTK FKA+ E				181
Query 131	GEDVVGLLREAIKRREFFDLVVAVVNDTVGTMTCAYEPTCEIGLIAGTGSNACYMEE				190
Sbjct 182	G DVV LL +AIK+R ++D D++AVVNDTVGTMTC +++ CE+G+I GTG+NACYMEE				241
Query 191	MRNIEMIDGEEGRMCVNMEWGAFGDNGCLDDIRTDYDRAVDDFSLNSGKORYEKMCSGMY				250
Sbjct 242	+R+I+++G+EGRMVCN EWGAFGD+G L+IRT++DR +D SLN GKQ +EKM SGMY				301
Query 251	LGEIVRNILDMTKRGFLFRGQISETLTKRGIFETKFLSQIESDRALLQVRSILQHLGL				310
Sbjct 302	LGE+VR IL+ M + G LF G+I+ L TRG ETK +S IE + L + R IL +G+				361
Query 311	DSTCDDSIIGKXVCGAVSRAAXLCGAGMAAVVE*IRET			349	
Sbjct 362	++ DD I + VC VS R+A L A +A ++ ++E			400	

Related Information

Gene - associated gene details

AlphaFold Structure - 3D

structure displays

Genome Data Viewer - aligned

genomic context

[Q5] Generate a multiple sequence alignment with your novel protein, your original query protein, and a group of other members of this family from different species. A typical number of proteins to use in a multiple sequence alignment for this assignment purpose is a minimum of 5 and a maximum of 20 - although the exact number is up to you. Include the multiple sequence alignment in your report. Use Courier font with a size appropriate to fit page width.

Side-note: Indicate your sequence in the alignment by choosing an appropriate name for each sequence in the input unaligned sequence file (i.e. edit the sequence file so that the species, or short common, names (rather than accession numbers) display in the output alignment and in the subsequent answers below). The goal in this step is to create an interesting alignment for building a phylogenetic tree that illustrates species divergence.

>Human_hexokinase|NP_079406.4:510-846 hexokinase HKDC1 [Homo sapiens]
RMLPTYVCGLPDGTEKGKFLALDLGGTNFRVLLVKIRSGRRSVRMYNKIFAIPLEIMQGTGEELFDHIVQCIADFLDY
GLKGASLPLGFTFSFPCRQMSIDKGTLLIGWTKGFKATDCEGEDVVDMLREAIKRRNEFDLDIVAVVNDTVGTMTCGYE
DPNCEIGLIAGTGSNMCYMEDMRNIEMVEGGEGKMCINTEWGGFGDNGCIDIWTRYDTEVDEGSLNPGKQRYEKMTCGM
YLGEIVRQILIDLTKQGLLFRGQISERLRTRGIFETKFLSQIESDRLALLQVRRILQQLGLDSTCEDSIIVKEVCGAVS
RRAAQLCGAGLAAIVEKRR

>Three_spined_stickleback|XP_040059250.1:510-848 hexokinase-1 [Gasterosteus
aculeatus aculeatus]
KMLPTFVHSTPDGSEHGDFLALDLGGTNFRVLLVKIRSGKRRTVEMHNKIYSIPLEVMTGTGEELFDHIVQCISDFLDY
MGMKNTRLPLGFTFSFPCRQTSLDAGVLVTWTKGFKATDCEGEDVVGLLREAIKRREEFDLDVVAVVNDTVGTMTCAY
EEPTCEIGLIAGTGSNACYMEEMRNIE MIDGEEGRMCVNMEWGAFGDNGCLDDIRTDYDRAVDDFSLSNGKQRYEKMCS
GMYLGEIVRNILIDMTKRGFLFRGQISETLKTRGIFETKFLSQIESDRLALLQVRSILQHLGLDSTCDDSIIVKEVCGA
VSRRAAQLCGAGMAAVVDKIREN

>Ninespine_stickleback|XP_037340606.1:510-848 hexokinase-1 isoform X4
[Pungitius pungitius]
KMLPTFVYSTPDGSEHGDFLALDLGGTNFRVLLVKIRSGKRRTVEMHNKIYSIPLEVMTGTGEELFDHIVQCISDFLDY
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Alignment:

Obtained using MUSCLE (version 3.8) at EBI:

CLUSTAL multiple sequence alignment by MUSCLE (3.8)

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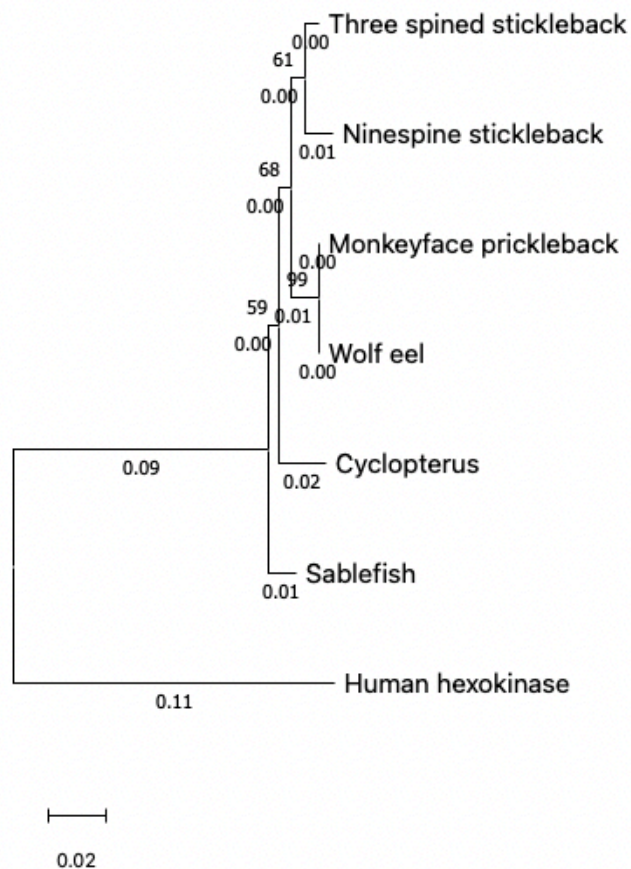
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Cyclopterus           DSTCDDSIIVKEVCGAVSCRAAQLCGAGMAAVVDKIREN
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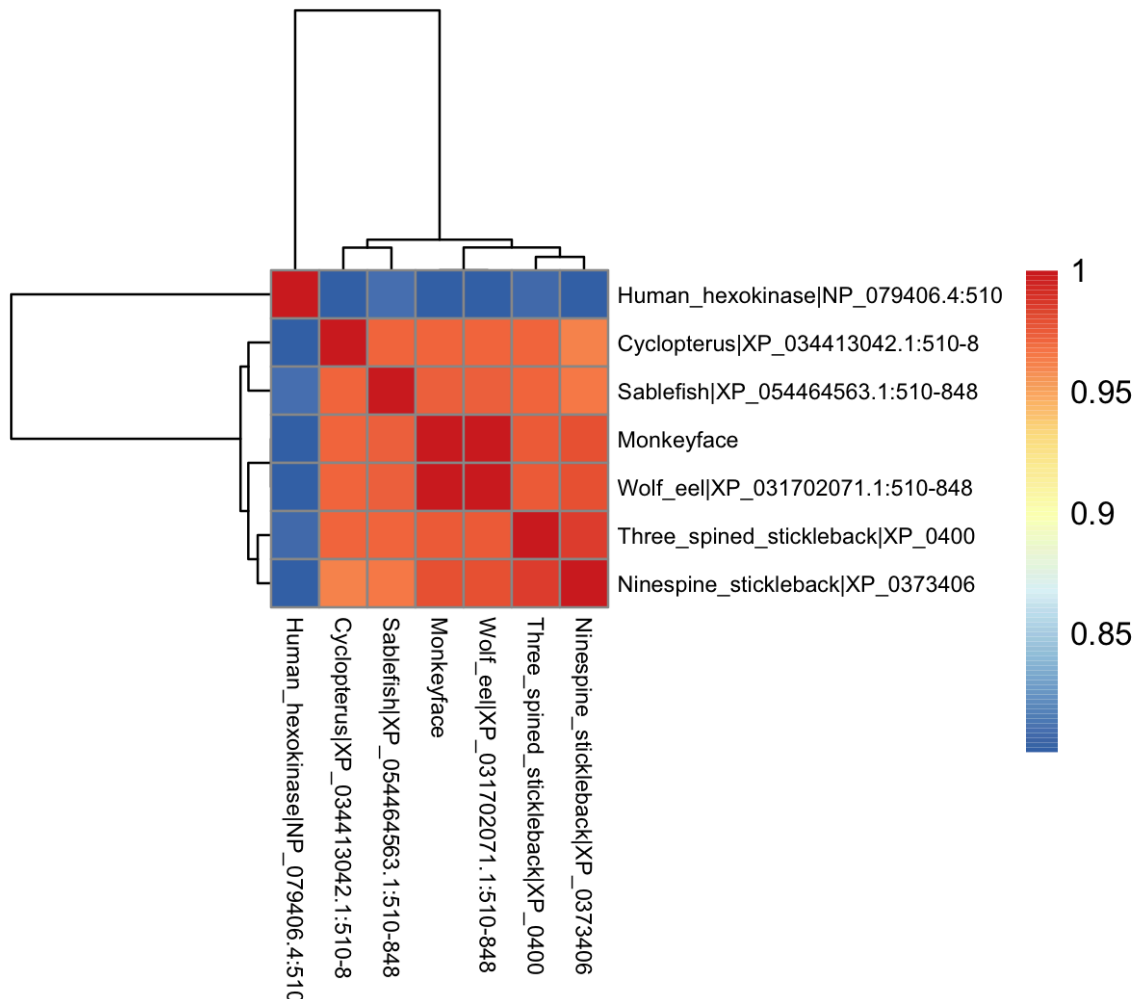
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[Q6] Create a phylogenetic tree, using either a parsimony or distance-based approach. Bootstrapping and tree rooting are optional. Use “simple phylogeny” online from the EBI or any respected phylogeny program (such as MEGA, PAUP, or Phylip). Paste an image of your Cladogram or tree output in your report.



[Q7] Generate a sequence identity based heatmap of your aligned sequences using R. If necessary convert your sequence alignment to the ubiquitous FASTA format (Seaview can read in clustal format and “Save as” FASTA format for example). Read this FASTA format alignment

into R with the help of functions in the Bio3D package. Calculate a sequence identity matrix (again using a function within the Bio3D package). Then generate a heatmap plot and add it to your report. Do make sure your labels are visible and not cut at the figure margins.



[Q8] Using R/Bio3D (or an online blast server if you prefer), search the main protein structure database for the most similar atomic resolution structures to your aligned sequences. List the top 3 unique hits (i.e. not hits representing different chains from the same structure) along with their E-value and sequence identity to your query. Please also add annotation details of these structures. For example include the annotation terms PDB identifier (structure Id), method used to solve the structure (experimental technique), resolution (resolution), and source organism (source).

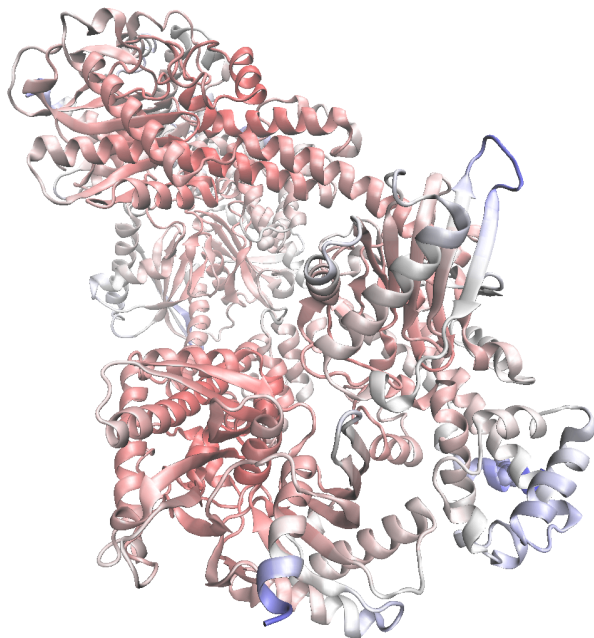
HINT: You can use a single sequence from your alignment or generate a consensus sequence from your alignment using the Bio3D function `consensus()`. The Bio3D functions `blast.pdb()`, `plot.blast()` and `pdb.annotate()` are likely to be of most relevance for completing this task. Note

that the results of `blast.pdb()` contain the hits PDB identifier (or `pdb.id`) as well as E-value and identity. The results of `pdb.annotate()` contain the other annotation terms noted above. Note that if your consensus sequence has lots of gap positions then it will be better to use an original sequence from the alignment for your search of the PDB. In this case you could choose the sequence with the highest identity to all others in your alignment by calculating the row-wise maximum from your sequence identity matrix.

ID	Technique	Resolution	Source	E-value	Identity
4FOI	X-ray diffraction	2.40	Homo Sapiens (Mammalian type)	0.00	78.338
1CZA	X-ray diffraction	1.90	Homo Sapiens (Mammalian type)	0.00	78.338
4F9O	X-ray diffraction	2.65	Homo Sapiens (Mammalian type)	0.00	78.338

[Q9] Generate a molecular figure of one of your identified PDB structures using **VMD**. You can optionally highlight conserved residues that are likely to be functional. Please use a white or transparent background for your figure (i.e. not the default black).

Based on sequence similarity. How likely is this structure to be similar to your “novel” protein?



There's a high chance that it is similar in structure to the three-spined stickleback due to the E-value of ~ 0 and a sequence identity of $\sim 80\%$.

[Q10] Perform a "Target" search of ChEMBL (<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/chembl/>) with your novel sequence. Are there any Target Associated Assays and ligand efficiency data reported that may be useful starting points for exploring potential inhibition of your novel protein? If there are no assays listed here simply list "non available as of [date]".

CHEMBL details 1 Functional Assay (CHEMBL3374607); no binding assays or ligand efficiency data.

https://www.ebi.ac.uk/chembl/search_results/Gasterosteus%20aculeatus

Functional assay linked "Antimicrobial activity against *Aspergillus aculeatus* incubated for 48 hrs by disk diffusion method."