

# Class 11: Structural Bioinformatics pt2

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## ##Background

We saw last day that PDB has 209,886 entries (Oct/Nov 2025). UniProtKB (i.e. protein sequence database) has 199,579,901 entries.

```
209886/199579901 * 100
```

```
[1] 0.1051639
```

So the PDB has only 0.1% coverage of the main sequence database.

Enter AlphaFold data base (AFDB) < <https://alphafold.ebi.ac.uk> > that attempts to provide computed models for all sequences in UniProt.

“AlphaFold DB provides open access to over 200 million protein structure predictions to accelerate scientific research”

## AlphaFold

AlphaFold has 3 main outputs

- the predicted coordinates (PDB files)
- A local quality score called **pLDDT** (one for each amino acid)
- A second quality score **PAE** Predicted Alignes Error (for each pair of amino-acid)

We can run AlphaFold ourselves if we not happy with AFDB (i.e. no coverage or poor model)

## Interpreting/analyzing AF results in R

```
results_dir <- "HIVPR_dimer_23119/"
```

```
# File names for all PDB models
pdb_files <- list.files(path=results_dir,
                        pattern="*.pdb",
                        full.names = TRUE)

# Print our PDB file names
basename(pdb_files)
```

```
[1] "HIVPR_dimer_23119_unrelaxed_rank_001_alphafold2_multimer_v3_model_4_seed_000.pdb"
[2] "HIVPR_dimer_23119_unrelaxed_rank_002_alphafold2_multimer_v3_model_1_seed_000.pdb"
[3] "HIVPR_dimer_23119_unrelaxed_rank_003_alphafold2_multimer_v3_model_5_seed_000.pdb"
[4] "HIVPR_dimer_23119_unrelaxed_rank_004_alphafold2_multimer_v3_model_2_seed_000.pdb"
[5] "HIVPR_dimer_23119_unrelaxed_rank_005_alphafold2_multimer_v3_model_3_seed_000.pdb"
```

```
library(bio3d)

# Read all data from Models
# and superpose/fit coords
pdbs <- pdbaln(pdb_files, fit=TRUE, exefile="msa")
```

Reading PDB files:

```
HIVPR_dimer_23119//HIVPR_dimer_23119_unrelaxed_rank_001_alphafold2_multimer_v3_model_4_seed_0
HIVPR_dimer_23119//HIVPR_dimer_23119_unrelaxed_rank_002_alphafold2_multimer_v3_model_1_seed_0
HIVPR_dimer_23119//HIVPR_dimer_23119_unrelaxed_rank_003_alphafold2_multimer_v3_model_5_seed_0
HIVPR_dimer_23119//HIVPR_dimer_23119_unrelaxed_rank_004_alphafold2_multimer_v3_model_2_seed_0
HIVPR_dimer_23119//HIVPR_dimer_23119_unrelaxed_rank_005_alphafold2_multimer_v3_model_3_seed_0
.....
```

Extracting sequences

```
pdb/seq: 1    name: HIVPR_dimer_23119//HIVPR_dimer_23119_unrelaxed_rank_001_alphafold2_multime
pdb/seq: 2    name: HIVPR_dimer_23119//HIVPR_dimer_23119_unrelaxed_rank_002_alphafold2_multime
pdb/seq: 3    name: HIVPR_dimer_23119//HIVPR_dimer_23119_unrelaxed_rank_003_alphafold2_multime
pdb/seq: 4    name: HIVPR_dimer_23119//HIVPR_dimer_23119_unrelaxed_rank_004_alphafold2_multime
pdb/seq: 5    name: HIVPR_dimer_23119//HIVPR_dimer_23119_unrelaxed_rank_005_alphafold2_multime
```

```
pdbs
```

```

1 . . . . 50
[Truncated_Name:1]HIVPR_dime PQITLWQRPLVTIKIGGQLKEALLDTGADDTVLEEMSLPGRWKPKMIGGI
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[Truncated_Name:2]HIVPR_dime PQITLWQRPLVTIKIGGQLKEALLDTGADDTVLEEMSLPGRWPKPMIGGI
[Truncated_Name:3]HIVPR_dime PQITLWQRPLVTIKIGGQLKEALLDTGADDTVLEEMSLPGRWPKPMIGGI
[Truncated_Name:4]HIVPR_dime PQITLWQRPLVTIKIGGQLKEALLDTGADDTVLEEMSLPGRWPKPMIGGI
[Truncated_Name:5]HIVPR_dime PQITLWQRPLVTIKIGGQLKEALLDTGADDTVLEEMSLPGRWPKPMIGGI
*****
1 . . . . 50

51 . . . . 100
[Truncated_Name:1]HIVPR_dime GGFIVRQYDQILIEICGHKAIGTVLVGPTPVNIIGNLLTQIGCTLNFP
[Truncated_Name:2]HIVPR_dime GGFIVRQYDQILIEICGHKAIGTVLVGPTPVNIIGNLLTQIGCTLNFP
[Truncated_Name:3]HIVPR_dime GGFIVRQYDQILIEICGHKAIGTVLVGPTPVNIIGNLLTQIGCTLNFP
[Truncated_Name:4]HIVPR_dime GGFIVRQYDQILIEICGHKAIGTVLVGPTPVNIIGNLLTQIGCTLNFP
[Truncated_Name:5]HIVPR_dime GGFIVRQYDQILIEICGHKAIGTVLVGPTPVNIIGNLLTQIGCTLNFP
*****
51 . . . . 100

101 . . . . 150
[Truncated_Name:1]HIVPR_dime QITLWQRPLVTIKIGGQLKEALLDTGADDTVLEEMSLPGRWPKPMIGGIG
[Truncated_Name:2]HIVPR_dime QITLWQRPLVTIKIGGQLKEALLDTGADDTVLEEMSLPGRWPKPMIGGIG
[Truncated_Name:3]HIVPR_dime QITLWQRPLVTIKIGGQLKEALLDTGADDTVLEEMSLPGRWPKPMIGGIG
[Truncated_Name:4]HIVPR_dime QITLWQRPLVTIKIGGQLKEALLDTGADDTVLEEMSLPGRWPKPMIGGIG
[Truncated_Name:5]HIVPR_dime QITLWQRPLVTIKIGGQLKEALLDTGADDTVLEEMSLPGRWPKPMIGGIG
*****
101 . . . . 150

151 . . . . 198
[Truncated_Name:1]HIVPR_dime GFIKVRQYDQILIEICGHKAIGTVLVGPTPVNIIGNLLTQIGCTLNF
[Truncated_Name:2]HIVPR_dime GFIKVRQYDQILIEICGHKAIGTVLVGPTPVNIIGNLLTQIGCTLNF
[Truncated_Name:3]HIVPR_dime GFIKVRQYDQILIEICGHKAIGTVLVGPTPVNIIGNLLTQIGCTLNF
[Truncated_Name:4]HIVPR_dime GFIKVRQYDQILIEICGHKAIGTVLVGPTPVNIIGNLLTQIGCTLNF
[Truncated_Name:5]HIVPR_dime GFIKVRQYDQILIEICGHKAIGTVLVGPTPVNIIGNLLTQIGCTLNF
*****
151 . . . . 198

```

Call:

```
pdbaln(files = pdb_files, fit = TRUE, exefile = "msa")
```

Class:

```
pdb, fasta
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Alignment dimensions:

```
5 sequence rows; 198 position columns (198 non-gap, 0 gap)
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+ attr: xyz, resno, b, chain, id, ali, resid, sse, call