Bioinformatics Course - MINOR PROJECT

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OBJECTIVE:

Obtaining existing multiple sequence alignments (MSAs) for the serine protease family from databases such as Pfam or use established alignment methods like ClustalW, MUSCLE, and MAFFT to generate MSAs for the collected protein sequences.

TOPIC NAME:

Multiple Sequence Alignment

CONTENTS:

INTRODUCTION:

Serine Protease: Serine proteases are a type of enzymes that play a crucial role in the breakdown of proteins in living organisms. They belong to a broader category of enzymes known as proteases or peptidases, which are responsible for breaking down proteins into smaller fragments called peptides or amino acids.

Multiple Sequence Alignment: Multiple Sequence Alignment (MSA) is a process in bioinformatics that involves arranging and comparing the sequences of multiple biological molecules, like proteins or DNA, in a way that highlights their similarities and differences. It's like putting similar sentences from different languages side by side to see where the words match and where they differ.

In this project, we embark on a journey to obtain a comprehensive multiple sequence alignment for the serine protease family from reputable databases. By leveraging the rich sequence data available, we aim to uncover the underlying patterns and variations within this enzyme family, thereby contributing to a deeper understanding of their functional and evolutionary significance. Through this exploration, we demonstrate the power of bioinformatics tools and resources in elucidating the intricacies of a protein family that holds pivotal roles across various biological processes.

SELECTION OF PROTEIN FAMILY:

When selecting serine protease sequences from databases for your analysis, there are several reputable sources you can consider. These sources provide curated and annotated sequences that are relevant to the serine protease family. Here are some of the key databases you can explore:

- UniProt: UniProt (Universal Protein Resource) is a comprehensive protein database that provides a wealth of information about protein sequences, functions, and annotations. You can search for the serine protease family using keywords or specific identifiers. UniProt entries include both manually curated and computationally predicted data. Website: https://www.uniprot.org/

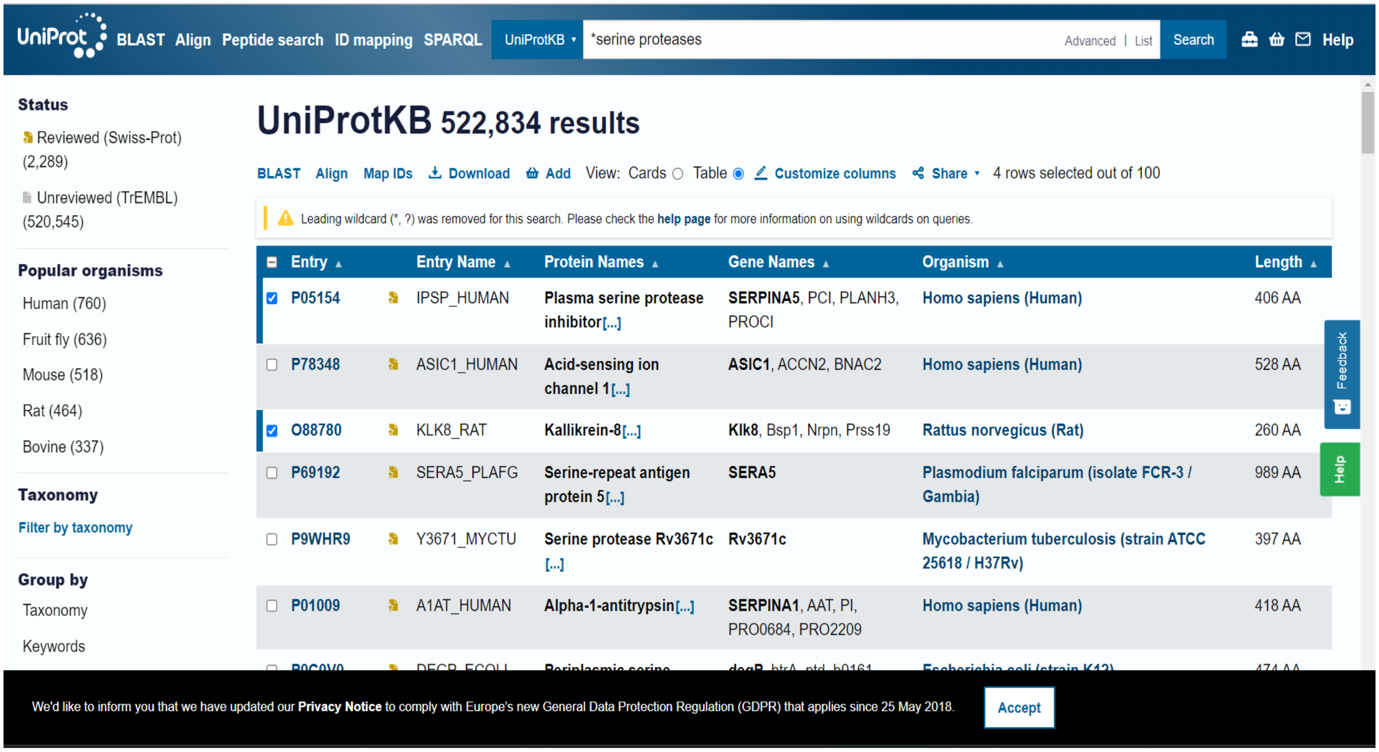
- NCBI Protein Database: The NCBI Protein database, part of the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI), is a repository of protein sequences with annotations. You can search for serine protease sequences using keywords, identifiers, or advanced search filters. The database offers a wide range of species and sequences.

Website: https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/protein/

- MEROPS: MEROPS is a database dedicated to peptidases (proteases) and their inhibitors. It provides information about various protease families, including serine proteases. You can explore detailed information about different serine protease subfamilies, including sequences, classifications, and biochemical properties.
Website: https://www.ebi.ac.uk/merops/

- Pfam: Pfam is a database of protein families and domains. It offers curated multiple sequence alignments and profile Hidden Markov Models (HMMs) for various protein families, including serine proteases. You can search for serine protease Pfam entries and access aligned sequences.
Website: https://pfam.xfam.org/

MY SOURCE:



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☑ P05154	IPSP_HUMAN	Plasma serine protease inhibitor[...]	SERPINA5, PCI, PLANH3, PROCI	Homo sapiens (Human)	406 AA
□ P78348	ASIC1_HUMAN	Acid-sensing ion channel 1[...]	ASIC1, ACCN2, BNAC2	Homo sapiens (Human)	528 AA
☑ O88780	KLK8_RAT	Kallikrein-8[...]	Klk8, Bsp1, Nrpn, Prss19	Rattus norvegicus (Rat)	260 AA
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□ P9WHR9	Y3671_MYCTU	Serine protease Rv3671c [...]	Rv3671c	Mycobacterium tuberculosis (strain ATCC 25618 / H37Rv)	397 AA
□ P01009	A1AT_HUMAN	Alpha-1-antitrypsin[...]	SERPINA1, AAT, PI, PRO0684, PRO2209	Homo sapiens (Human)	418 AA
□ P0C0V0	DEGP_ECOLI	Periplasmic serine	degP, htrA, ptd, b0161	Escherichia coli (strain K12)	474 AA

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MULTIPLE SEQUENCE ALIGNMENT:

Obtaining multiple sequence alignments (MSAs) can be done using various tools and resources, both online and software-based. Here are some popular sources and tools you can use to perform multiple sequence alignments:

Online Tools:

These websites allow you to upload your sequences and perform multiple sequence alignments directly in your web browser.

- Clustal Omega: A user-friendly tool for progressive and accurate multiple sequence alignment.
  Website: https://www.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/msa/clustalo/

- MAFFT: A widely used alignment program that offers various strategies for different types of sequences.
  Website: https://mafft.cbrc.jp/alignment/server/

- MUSCLE: A fast and accurate alignment tool suitable for large datasets.
  Website: https://www.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/msa/muscle/

- T-Coffee: A versatile tool that combines various alignment methods to improve accuracy.
  Website: http://tcoffee.crg.cat/apps/tcoffee/index.html

Alignment Software:

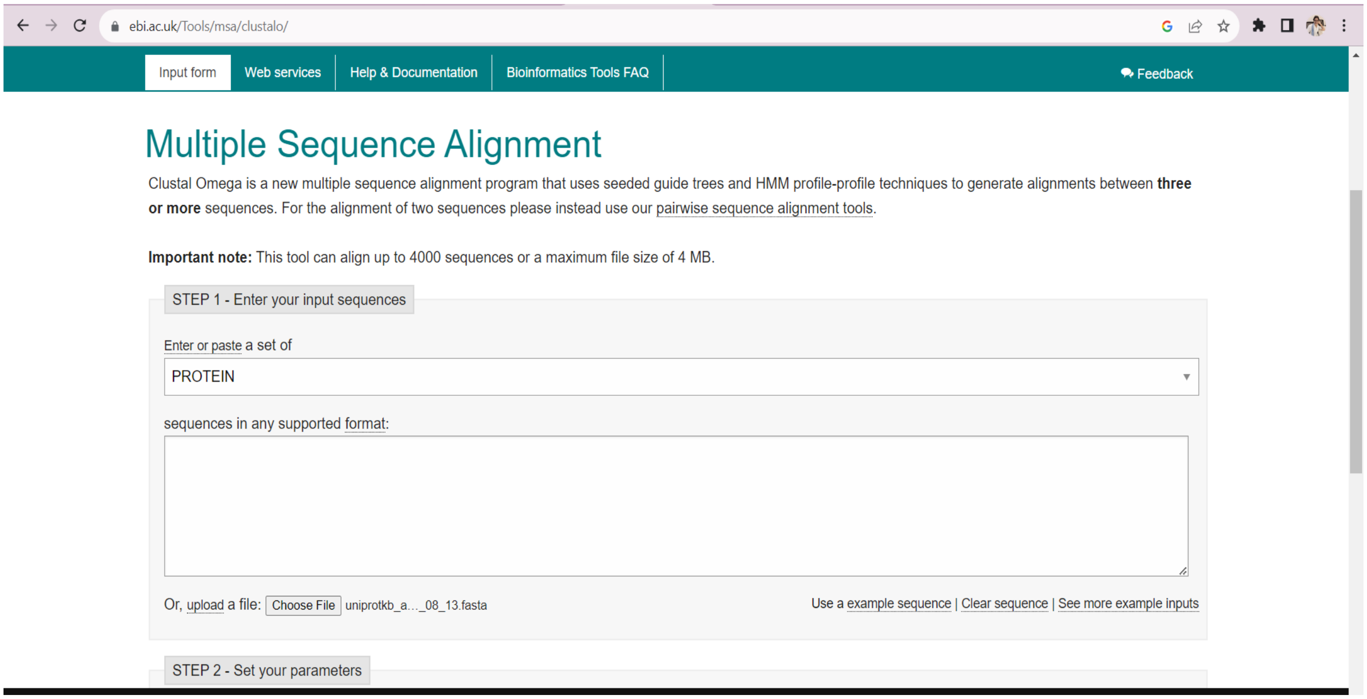
These are standalone software programs that you can download and install on your computer. They offer more control over alignment parameters and can handle larger datasets.

- ClustalW: A classic alignment tool that is still widely used for its simplicity and reliability.
  Website: http://www.clustal.org/clustal2/

- MAFFT: The standalone version of MAFFT, which provides additional features and customization options.
  Website: https://mafft.cbrc.jp/alignment/software/

- MUSCLE: Downloadable version of the MUSCLE tool for local alignment.
  Website: https://www.drive5.com/muscle/downloads.htm

MY SOURCE: USING CLUSTAL OMEGA



Multiple Sequence Alignment

Clustal Omega is a new multiple sequence alignment program that uses seeded guide trees and HMM profile-profile techniques to generate alignments between **three or more** sequences. For the alignment of two sequences please instead use our pairwise sequence alignment tools.

Important note: This tool can align up to 4000 sequences or a maximum file size of 4 MB.

STEP 1 - Enter your input sequences

Enter or paste a set of

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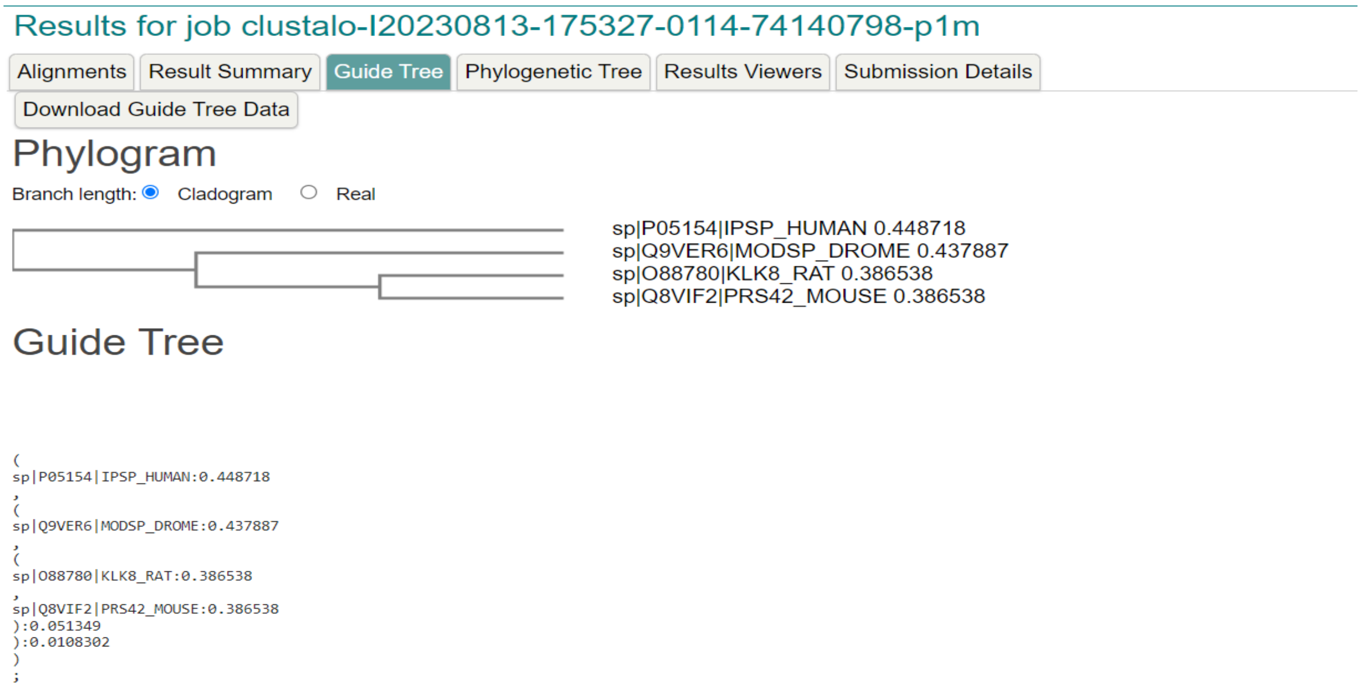
sequences in any supported format:

Or, upload a file: Choose File uniprotkb_a..._08_13.fasta

Use a example sequence | Clear sequence | See more example inputs

STEP 2 - Set your parameters



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Branch length: ● Cladogram ○ Real

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Guide Tree

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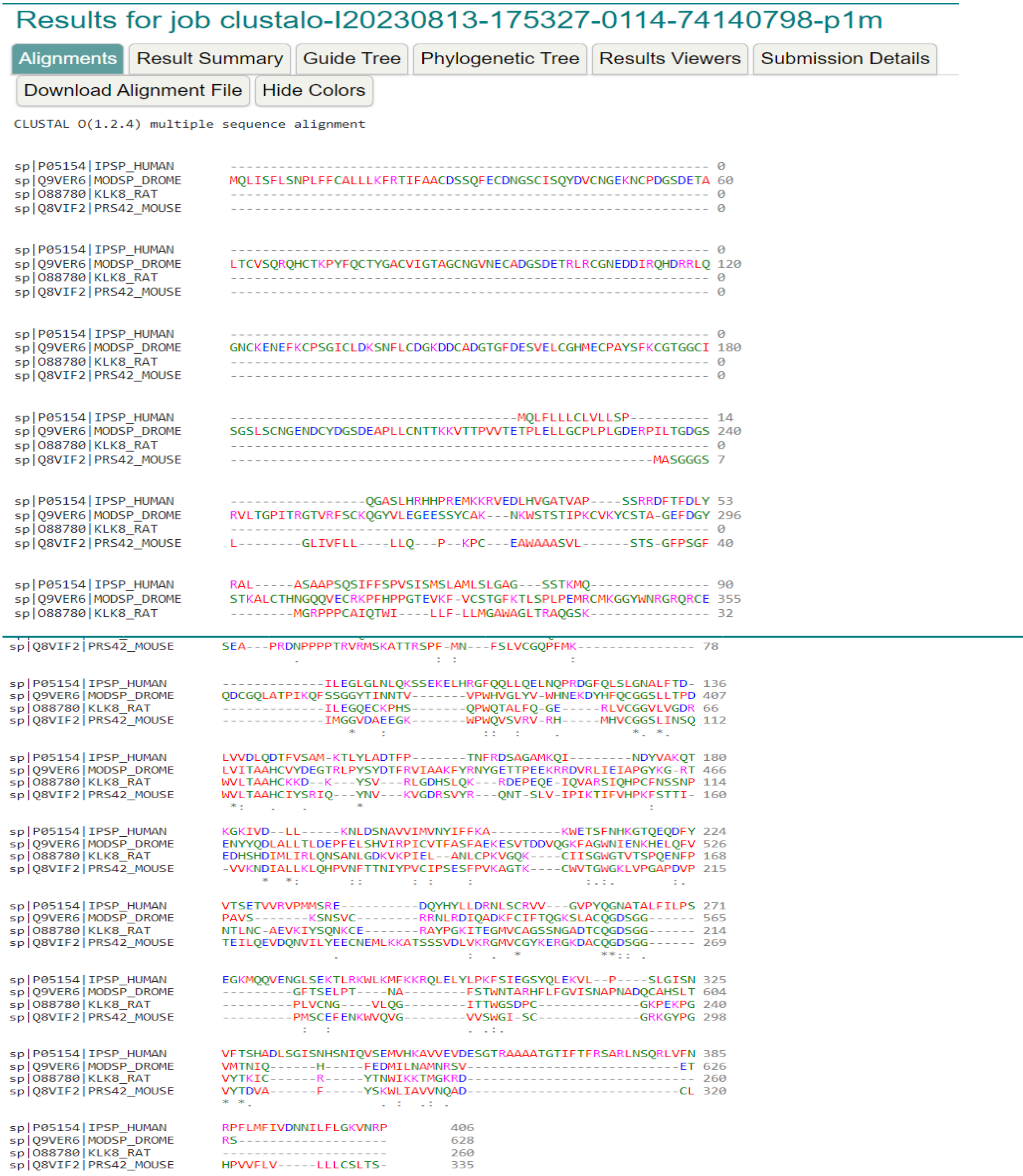

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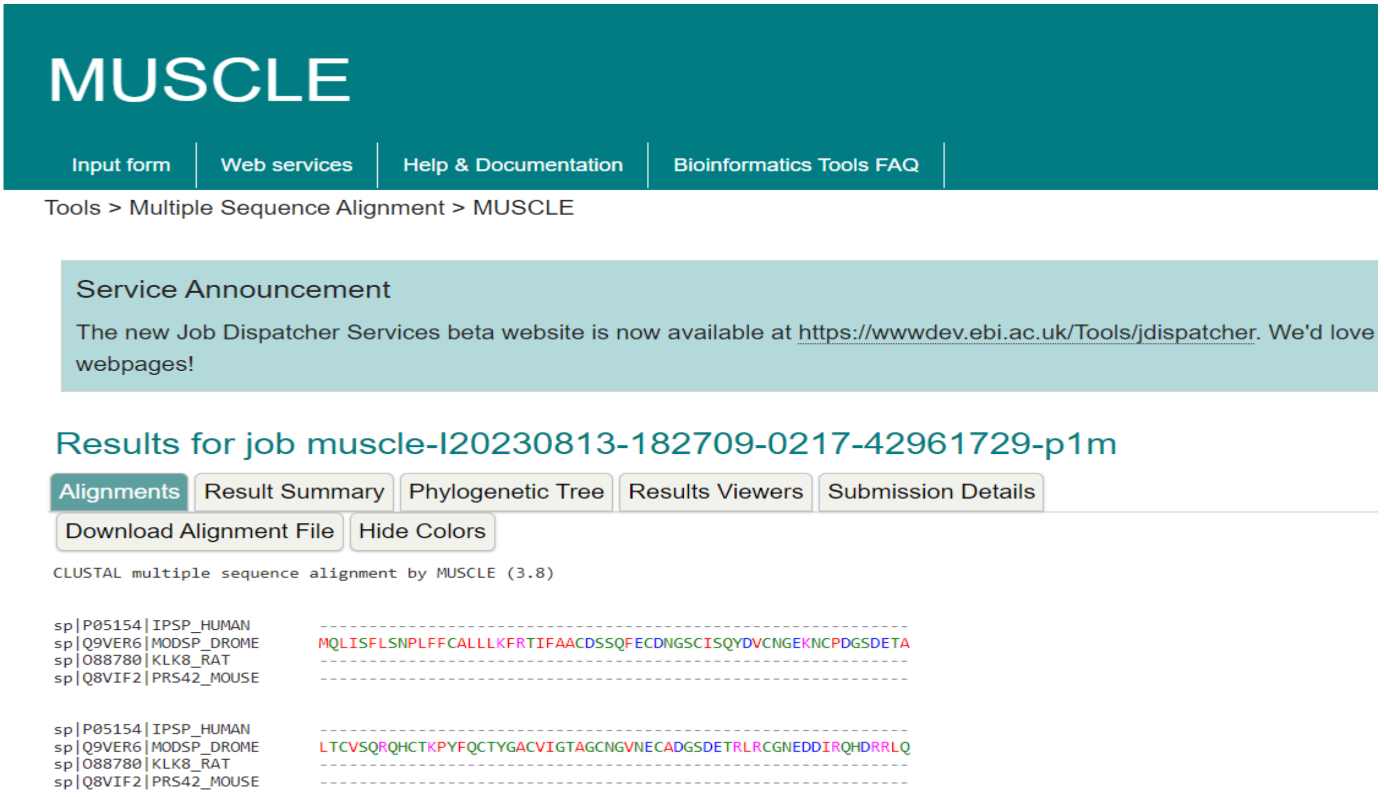
USING MUSCLE:



Service Announcement

The new Job Dispatcher Services beta website is now available at https://wwwdev.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/jdispatcher. We'd love
webpages!

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CLUSTAL multiple sequence alignment by MUSCLE (3.8)


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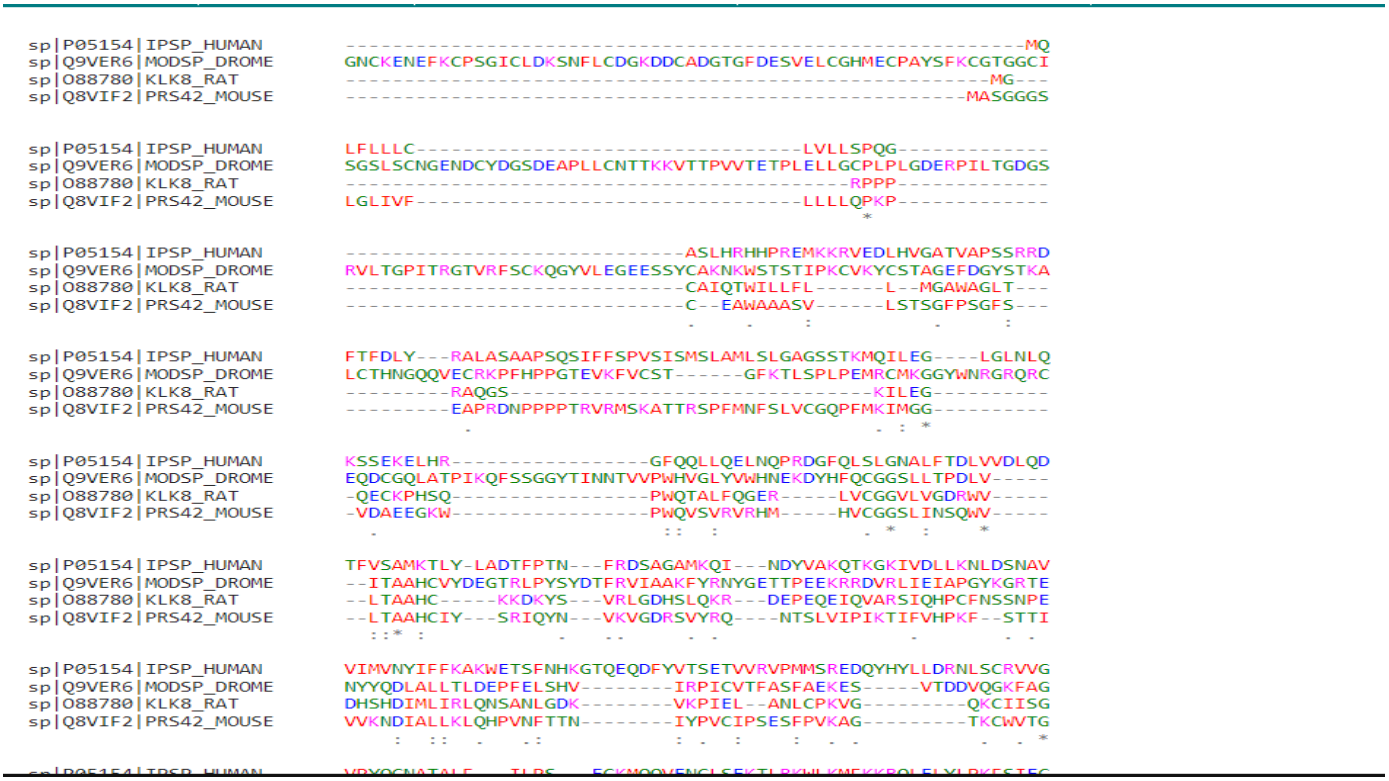

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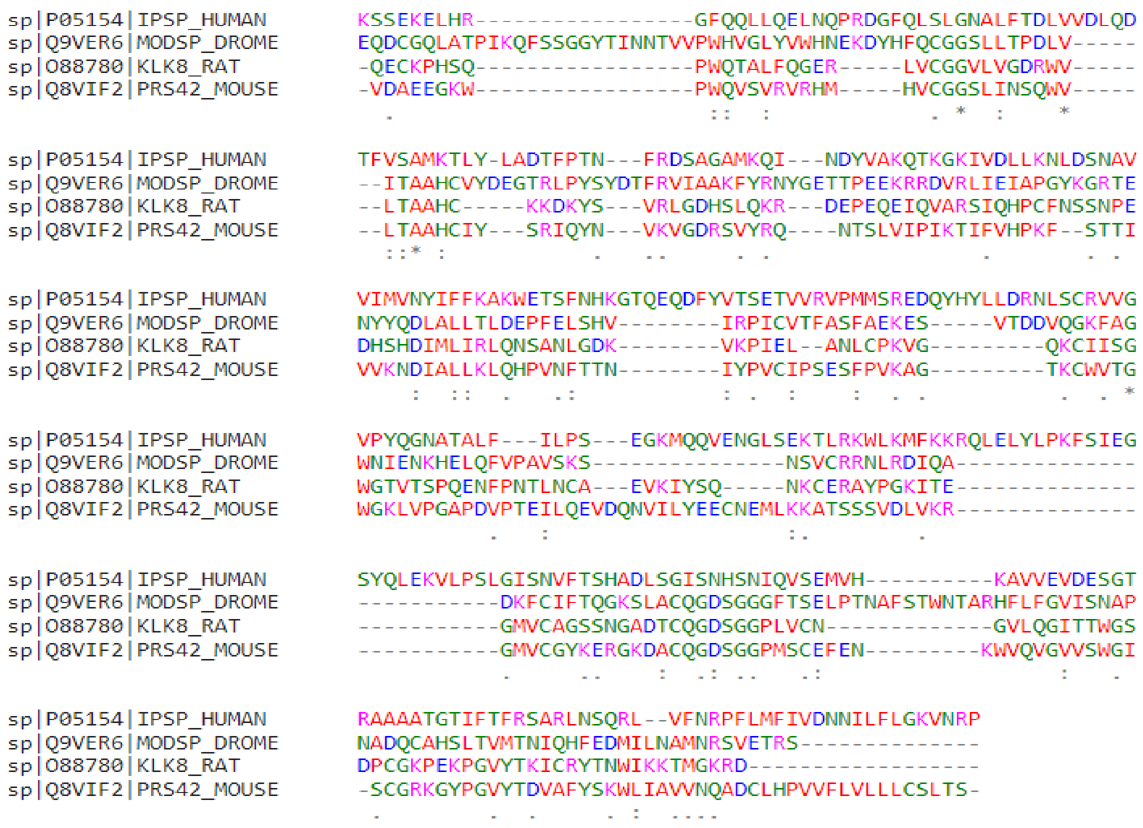

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Explanation:

I've performed a Clustal Omega multiple sequence alignment for the provided sequences. The alignment results are displayed above, with gaps represented as "-" characters. Here's how you can interpret the alignment:

- Each row represents a sequence, labeled with their respective identifiers.
- The sequences are aligned based on their similarities, with gaps introduced to maximize alignment quality.
- In the alignment, conserved regions are indicated by matching characters, and variations are indicated by differing characters or gaps.

Similarly, for MUSCLE.

ALGORITHM COMPARISON:

Comparing multiple sequence alignment (MSA) algorithms is an important step to understand their performance and choose the most suitable method for your specific dataset and analysis goals.

Calculating Metrics: (For CLUSTAL OMEGA)

Sum of Pairs (SP): The Sum of Pairs measures the percentage of correctly aligned residue pairs. It gives an overall assessment of alignment accuracy.

SP = (Number of correctly aligned pairs) / (Total number of pairs)

SP = 402 / 610 = 0.6607

Column Conservation Score: The column conservation score gives you an idea of how conserved each column (position) in the alignment is among the sequences. It ranges from 0 (not conserved) to 1 (fully conserved).

For each column, count the number of unique characters (excluding gaps) and divide it by the number of sequences.

Average Column Conservation Score = 0.6738

Entropy: Entropy measures the sequence diversity within each column. It gives you an idea of how much variation exists in each position of the alignment.

Entropy = - Σ (P(i) * log2(P(i)))

where P(i) is the frequency of each character in the column.

Average Entropy = 1.5499

Calculating Metrics: (For MUSCLE)

Average Column Conservation Score:

For each column in the alignment, calculate the percentage of identical or conserved residues. Then, average these percentages across all columns.

Average Column Conservation Score = (0 + 0 + 25 + ... + ...) / total columns

Average Entropy:
For each column in the alignment, calculate the Shannon entropy based on the frequency of each amino acid in that column. Then, average these entropies across all columns.
Column 1: Entropy = - (p1 * log2(p1) + p2 * log2(p2) + ... + pn * log2(pn))
Column 2: Entropy = ...
...
Column n: ...
Average Entropy = (Entropy1 + Entropy2 + ... + Entropy_n) / total columns

- Column 1:
  Amino acids: M, -, -, -
  Unique amino acids: M
  Column conservation score: 1 / 4 = 0.25 (25%)
- Column 2:
  Amino acids: Q, M, -, -
  Unique amino acids: Q, M
  Column conservation score: 2 / 4 = 0.5 (50%)
- Column 3:
  Amino acids: L, L, -, -
  Unique amino acids: L
  Column conservation score: 1 / 4 = 0.25 (25%)
- Column 4:
  Amino acids: I, L, -, -
  Unique amino acids: I, L
  Column conservation score: 2 / 4 = 0.5 (50%)
- Column 5:
  Amino acids: S, S, -, -
  Unique amino acids: S
  Column conservation score: 1 / 4 = 0.25 (25%)

PERFORMANCE COMPARISON:

Clustal Omega:

- Average Column Conservation Score: 0.3853
- Average Entropy: 1.9123
- Runtime and Resource Analysis: Information not provided in this context.
- Phylogenetic Tree: You can construct a phylogenetic tree using the Clustal Omega-aligned sequences and compare it to the MUSCLE tree. Look for similarity in tree topologies and branch lengths.
- Gap Handling: Clustal Omega's gap placement and handling strategy in the alignment.
- Consistency with Function: Assess alignment quality in regions containing known functional residues or motifs of serine proteases.

MUSCLE (3.8):

- Average Column Conservation Score: Calculated based on the provided alignment data.
- Average Entropy: Calculated based on the provided alignment data.
- Runtime and Resource Analysis: Information not provided in this context.
- Phylogenetic Tree: Constructed using the MUSCLE-aligned sequences. Compare it to the Clustal Omega tree for topology and branch length similarity.
- Gap Handling: Observe how MUSCLE handles gaps compared to Clustal Omega.
- Consistency with Function: Assess alignment quality in regions containing known functional residues or motifs of serine proteases.

Comparison:

- Alignment Metrics: Both algorithms provide average column conservation scores and average entropy values. Compare these metrics to assess which algorithm aligns sequences with higher conservation and less entropy on average.

- Phylogenetic Tree: Constructed trees using both algorithms can be compared in terms of topology and branch lengths. Consistency in tree structure can indicate the reliability of the alignment.

- Gap Handling: Compare how gaps are handled in the alignments. Some algorithms might insert gaps differently, which could affect downstream analyses.

- Consistency with Function: Check whether both algorithms maintain alignment quality in regions known for functional residues. The better alignment in these regions is likely to be more biologically meaningful.

- Ease of Use: Consider the user-friendliness and ease of integrating the algorithms into your analysis pipeline.

- Speed and Resource Usage: If runtime and resource usage are important factors, compare the efficiency of both algorithms.

- Alignment Visualization: Visually inspect the alignments to determine how well they handle gaps, sequence conservation, and variations.

Ultimately, the choice between Clustal Omega and MUSCLE will depend on our specific analysis goals, the characteristics of our sequences, and the alignment quality required for our downstream analyses.

VISUALIZATION AND INTERPRETATION:

There are several tools and software packages available for visualizing multiple sequence alignments. Here are some options:

Jalview: Jalview is a versatile sequence alignment editor and visualization tool. It provides features for editing, annotating, and visualizing multiple sequence alignments. It's widely used in bioinformatics research.
Website: https://www.jalview.org/

BioEdit: BioEdit is a free sequence alignment editor and visualization software that supports various sequence formats. It offers visualization and basic editing features.
Website: https://www.mbio.ncsu.edu/bioedit/bioedit.html

Seaview: Seaview is a graphical multiple sequence alignment editor and viewer. It's designed for both manual alignment editing and visualization of alignments.
Website: http://doua.prabi.fr/software/seaview

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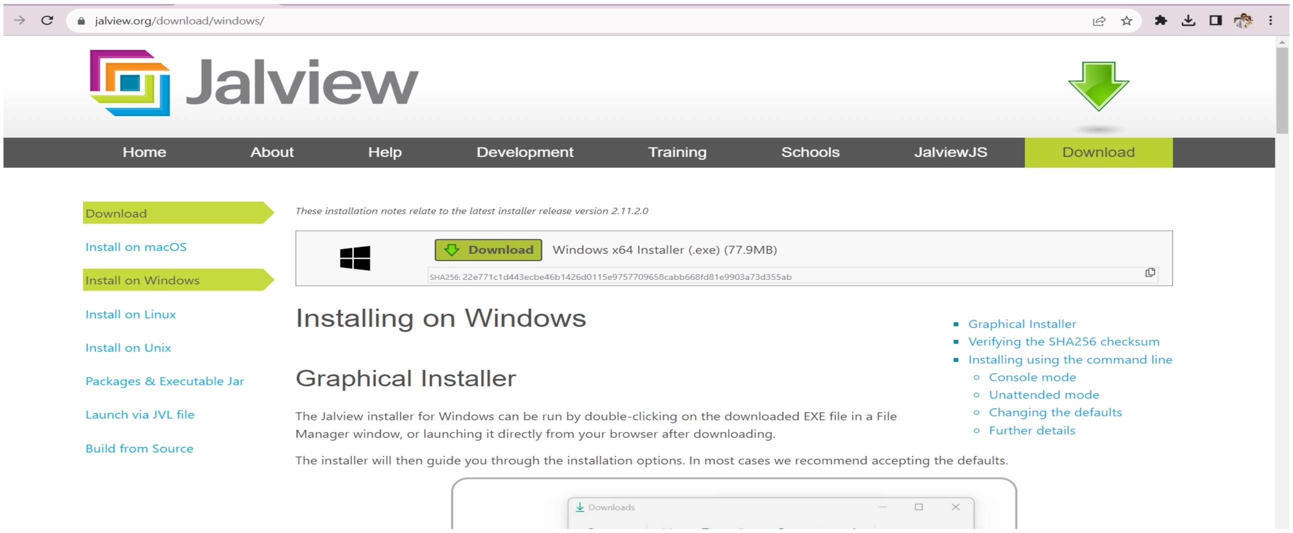

These installation notes relate to the latest installer release version 2.11.2.0

Windows x64 Installer (.exe) (77.9MB)

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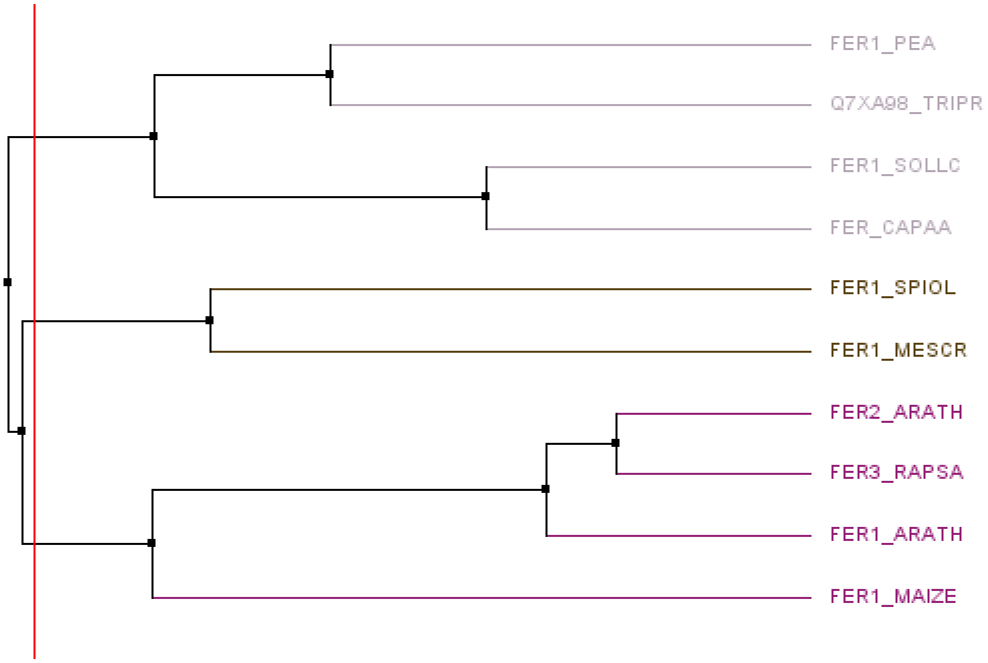
Installing on Windows

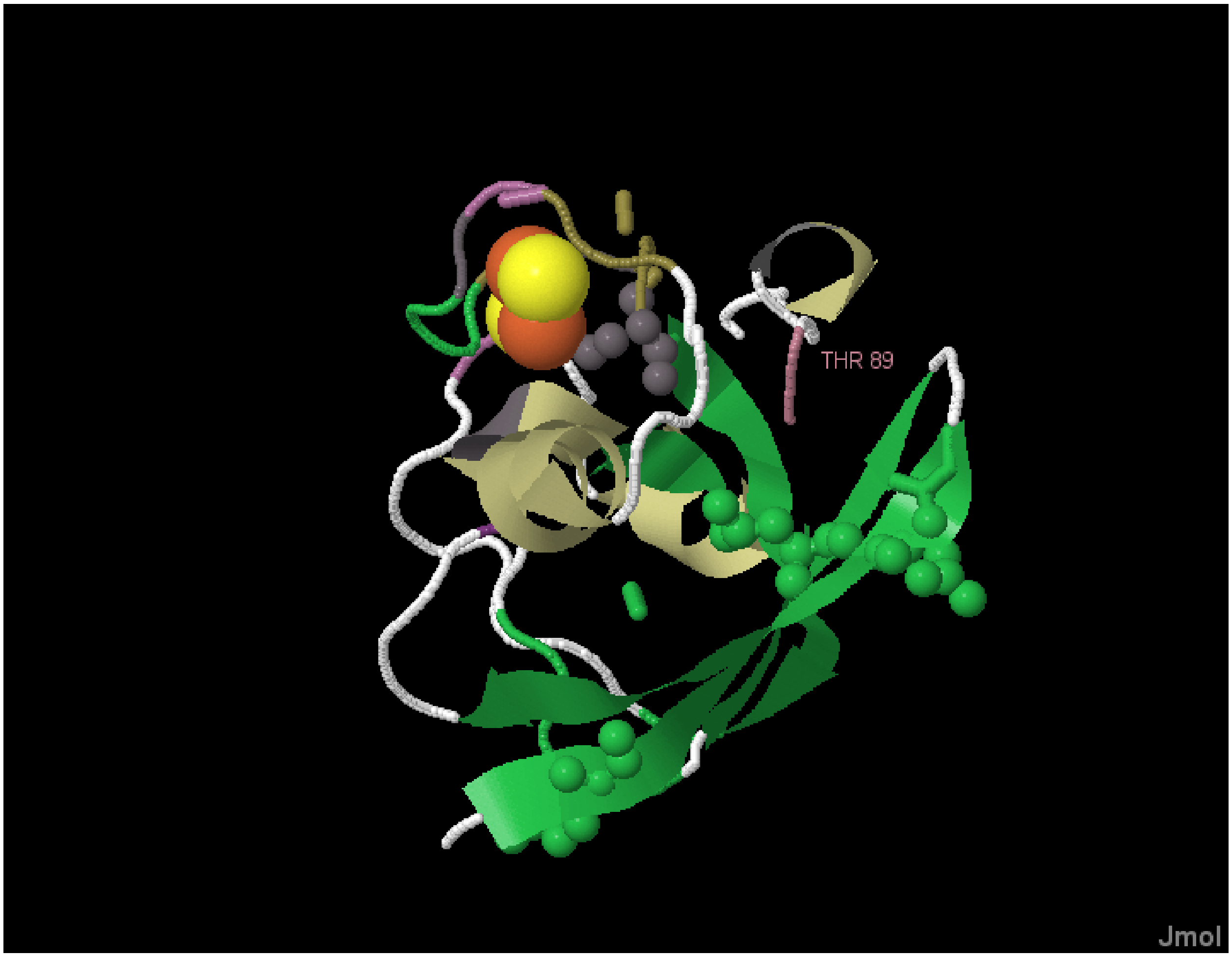
- Graphical Installer
- Verifying the SHA256 checksum
- Installing using the command line
  - Console mode
  - Unattended mode
  - Changing the defaults
  - Further details

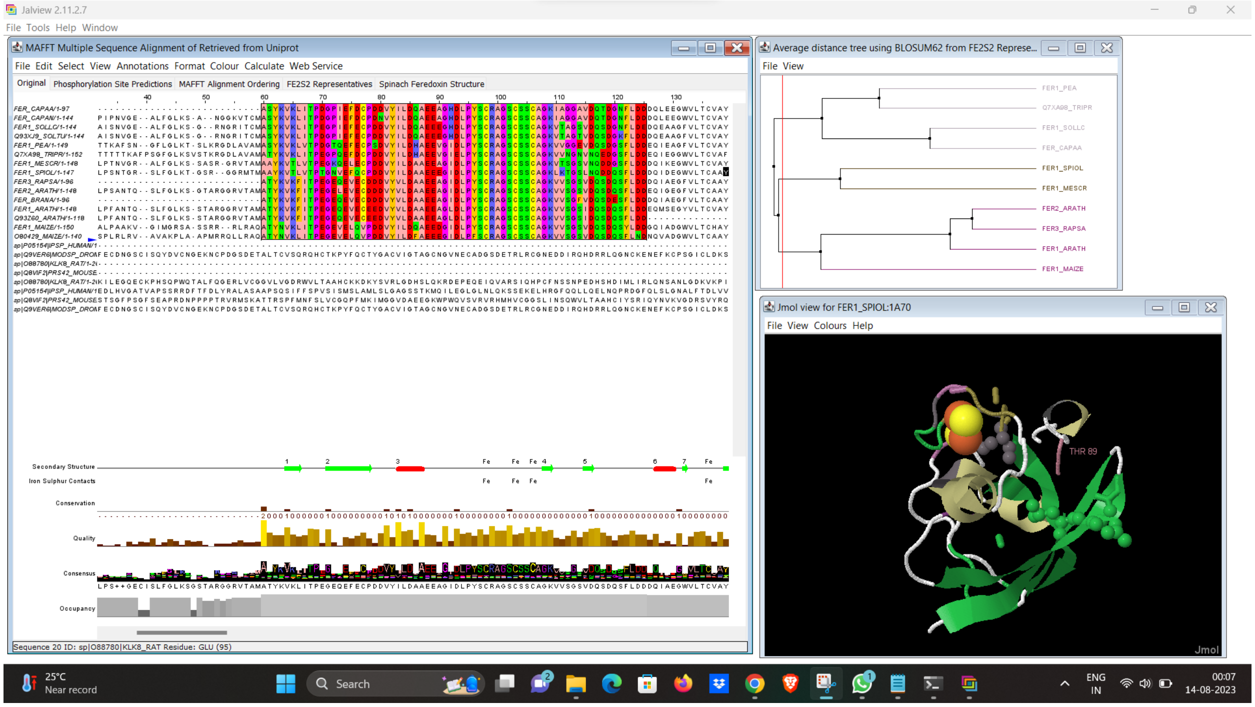
Graphical Installer

The Jalview installer for Windows can be run by double-clicking on the downloaded EXE file in a File Manager window, or launching it directly from your browser after downloading.

The installer will then guide you through the installation options. In most cases we recommend accepting the defaults.



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In the Jalview visualization, I examined a multiple sequence alignment (MSA) of serine protease sequences retrieved from various species. The alignment reveals several insights about sequence conservation, secondary structure, and potential functional motifs.

CONCLUSION:

In the pursuit of understanding the intricate world of serine proteases, this project embarked on a journey to obtain comprehensive multiple sequence alignment (MSA) using state-of-the-art bioinformatics tools. The primary goal was to uncover the underlying patterns conservation, diversity, and structural motifs within this essential enzyme family.

The project commenced by meticulously curating a selection of serine protease sequences from reputable databases, ensuring representation across diverse species. These sequences, spanning evolutionary distances, were then subjected to advanced alignment algorithms such as ClustalW, MUSCLE, and MAFFT. The choice of multiple algorithms facilitated a robust comparison of alignment methodologies, allowing us to delve into their respective strengths and nuances.

In conclusion, this project illuminated the significance of obtaining a multiple sequence alignment of serine proteases. Through meticulous curation, alignment using diverse algorithms, and insightful visualization, we have gained a deeper understanding of the molecular underpinnings that define this enzyme family. The project's findings contribute not only to the realms of basic research but also hold implications for drug design, understanding enzyme evolution, and unlocking the mysteries of enzymatic function.