

## Class Exercise 1

Retrieving all information regarding **Riboswitch** from **RFAM**

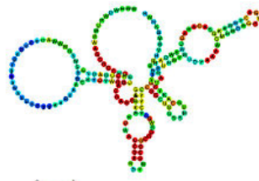
Query: **ribozyme AND rna\_type:"riboswitch"**

1. Name the family and RFAM ID

Ans: **Family: *glmS* and RFAM id: RF00234**

Description: *glmS* glucosamine-6-phosphate activated ribozyme aptamer.

glmS glucosamine-6-phosphate activated ribozyme



Predicted secondary structure and sequence conservation of glmS

2. How many species altogether are included in this family?

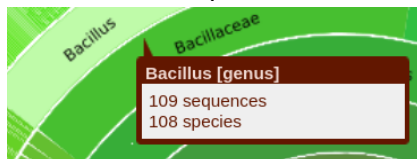
Ans: 1332 species

3. Where they are predominantly found, Eukaryotes or prokaryotes?

Ans: Mainly Prokaryotes( Bacteria) But around 20% Eucaryotes

4. Are they present in Bacillus? How many?

Ans: Yes . 108 Species and 109 sequences.



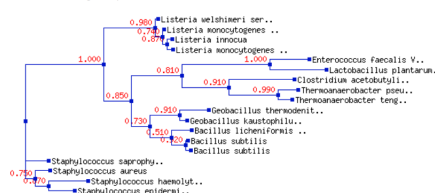
5. In the evolutionary tree, how many clades do you see? Are they related? Which method was used to generate the tree?

Ans: 14 clades. A clade (also known as a monophyletic group) is a group of organisms that includes a single ancestor and all of its descendants.

This tree was built using the *fasttree* method.

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Label the trees using ● species names or ○ accessions.



6. Change the tree-building method and see whether you get the same results or not.  
 Ans. Yes, I got the same results

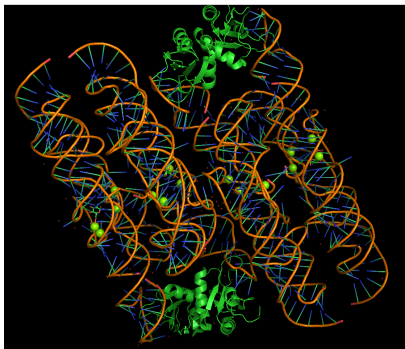


7. How many structures are known to have this domain, belonging to the said family?

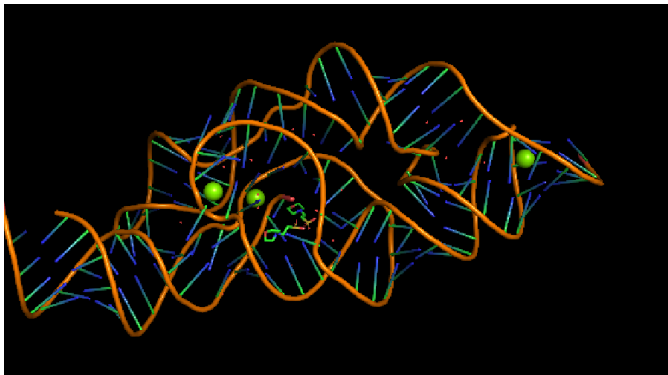
Ans: 39 structures

8. Visualize in Pymol (any two structures), how many RNA molecules are there?

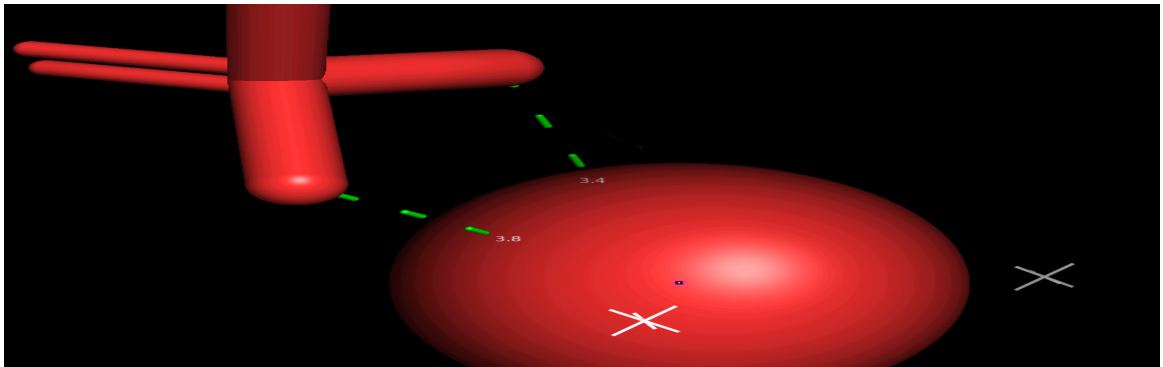
Ans: 2NZ4: one RNA molecule (U1 Small Nuclear Ribonucleoprotein A) and four chains A, J, K, L.





2HO6: It has two molecules with one chain each



Ans: 2NZ4:



Ans:

Motif Accession ↕	Motif Description ↕	Number of Hits ↕	Fraction of Hits ↕	Sum of Bits ↕	Image ↕
<a href="#">RM00004</a>	CRC binding motif	2	0.111	21.0	
<a href="#">RM00008</a>	GNRA tetraloop	11	0.611	125.7	

Ans: YES, RM00008 has a structure 1G1X. STRUCTURE OF RIBOSOMAL PROTEINS S15, S6, AND 16S RIBOSOMAL RNA.

Ans:

Catalysis of a biochemical reaction at physiological temperatures. In biologically catalyzed reactions, the reactants are known as substrates, and the catalysts are naturally occurring macromolecular substances known as enzymes. Enzymes possess specific binding sites for substrates, and are usually composed wholly or largely of protein, but RNA that has catalytic activity (ribozyme) is often also regarded as enzymatic

Ans: 4

[illegible]

14. Can you comment on the disease associations of this riboswitch (if any)?

Ans:



## Class Exercise 2

Get this information on “**piwi domain**” from PFAM

Query: **piwi domain**

1. Name the PFAM ID and the clan

Ans. PFAM ID: PF02171

Clan: RNase\_H

2. How many proteins have experimentally solved structures containing this domain?

Ans. 109 domains

PFAM PF02171 Piwi domain

This entry matches these structures:

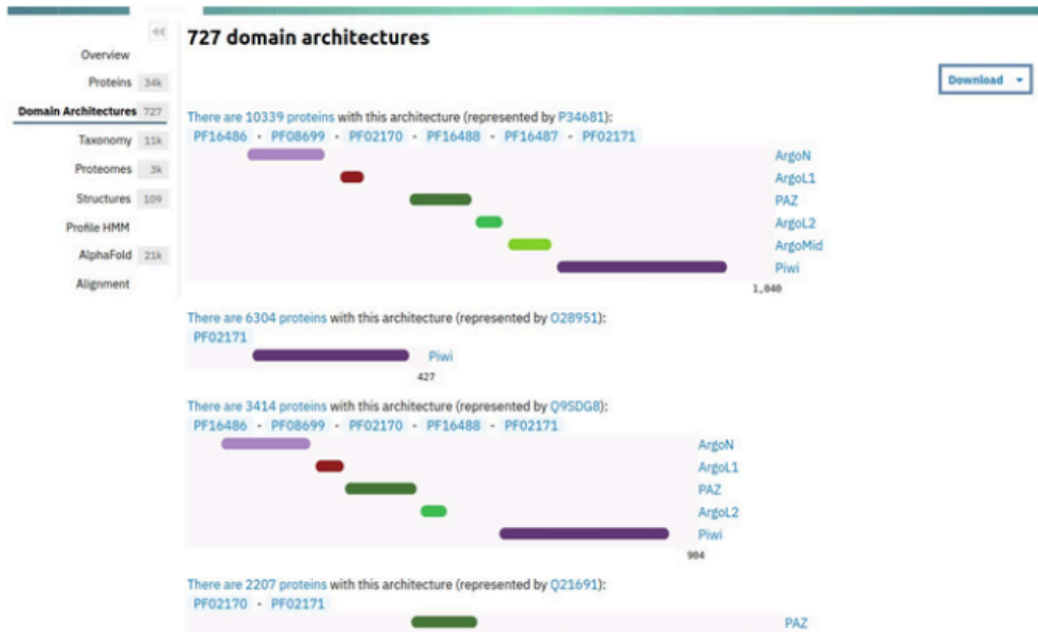
Accession	Name	Source Database	Structure	Matches
1u04	Crystal structure of full length Argonaute from <i>Pyrococcus furiosus</i>	PDB		A 200 400 600
1w1h	The Structure of a Piwi protein from <i>Archaeoglobus fulgidus</i>	PDB		A 200 400 600
	Structural basis for 5'-end-specific recognition of the			A 200 400 600

3. Name one such protein and the source organism, and PDB ID

Ans. <https://www.ebi.ac.uk/interpro/structure/PDB/1u04/>

4. How many proteins have a domain architecture with only one piwi domain?

Ans. 427 proteins



5. Predominantly, in which organisms are these proteins mostly found?  
 Ans.



6. How big is the piwi domain (length)?  
 Ans.  
 427 amino acids

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**O28951 Piwi protein**  
UniProtKB/Swiss-Prot protein

**Overview**

- Entries: 3
- Structures: 11
- AlphaFold: 1
- Sequence
- Similar Proteins: 6k

**Short name**: *PIWI\_ARCFU*

**Length**: 427 amino acids

**Species**: *Archaeoglobus fulgidus* (strain ATCC 49558 / DSM 4304 / JCM 9628 / NBRC 100126 / VC-16)

**Proteome**: UP000002199

**Gene**: AF\_1318

**Function**: Might play a role in defense against invading genetic elements, using short nucleic acid sequences as guides to bind complementary target strands, resulting in slicing of the target nucleic acid (By similarity). Binds nucleic acids with decreasing af...  
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**Family membership**: None predicted

**External Links**

- UniProt
- AlphaFold
- Foldseek

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7. How many proteins have a domain architecture with one piwi and one "PAZ" domain?
- Ans.

**InterPro** — Classification of protein families

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**Pfam - PF02170**  
PAZ domain  
392-502

427

There are 3414 proteins with this architecture (represented by Q9SD08):  
PF16486 • PF08699 • PF02170 • PF16488 • PF02171

ArgoN  
ArgoL1  
PAZ  
ArgoL2  
Piwi

904

There are 2207 proteins with this architecture (represented by Q21691):  
PF02170 • PF02171

PAZ  
Piwi

1,457

There are 1302 proteins with this architecture (represented by Q7XTS3):  
PF16486 • PF08699 • PF02170 • PF02171

ArgoN  
ArgoL1  
PAZ  
Piwi

1,109

There are 1183 proteins with this architecture (represented by P90786):  
PF23278 • PF02170 • PF02171

Piwi\_N  
PAZ  
Piwi

824

There are 1138 proteins with this architecture (represented by Q8TC59):  
PF23278 • PF02170 • PF02171

Piwi\_N  
Piwi

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8. Name one such protein, and name the source organism.

Ans. Nuclear RNAi defective-3 protein - [Caenorhabditis elegans](#)

9. What is the primary function of this protein?

Ans. [Transports small interfering RNAs \(siRNAs\) from the cytoplasm to the nucleus.](#)

[Required for RNA interference \(RNAi\) in nuclei \(PubMed:18653886, PubMed:34365510\).](#) [Required for exogenous RNAi-induced H3K27 methylation \(PubMed:26365259\).](#) [go to UniProt](#)

10. Are there any structures available? name them

Ans.

