

Introduction to Evolutionary Concepts and VMD/MultiSeq - Part I

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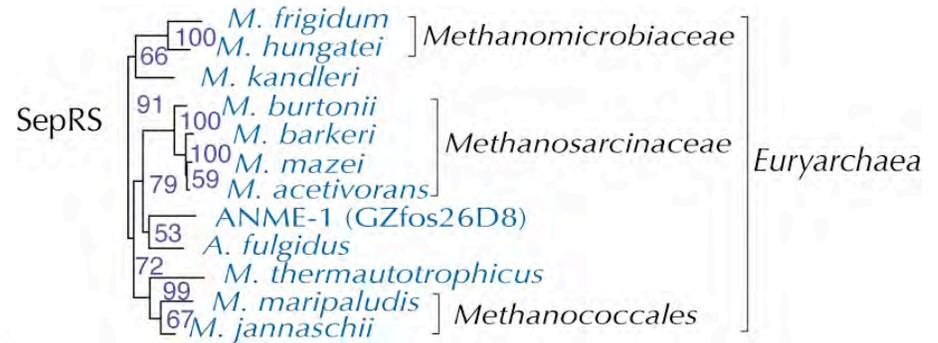
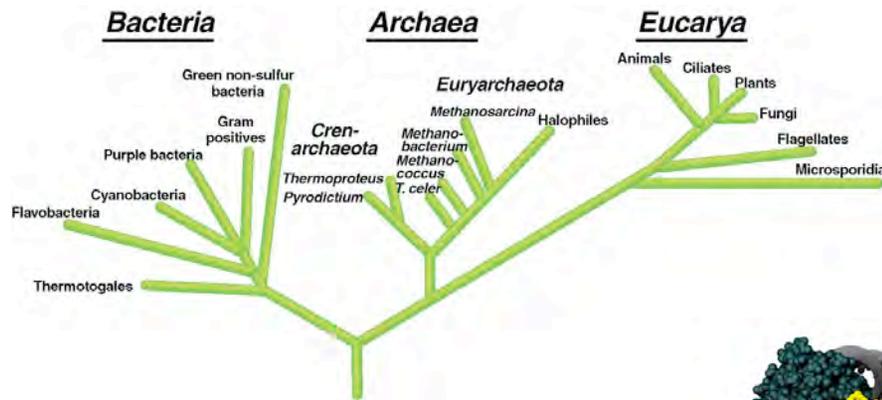


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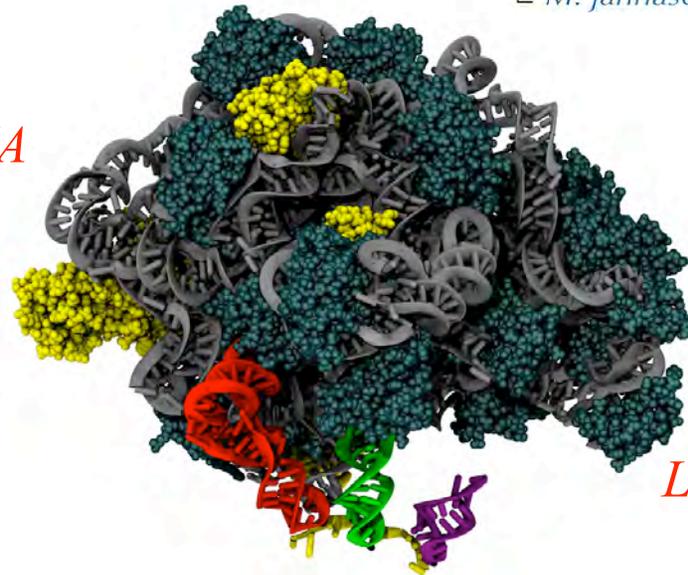
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VMD/MultiSeq - “A Tool to Think”

Carl Woese - “*VMD is far from a simple visualization tool for a biologist, it is a true thinking tool. Without it a whole class of biological hypotheses would simply not exist.*”



UPT - Woese 16S rRNA



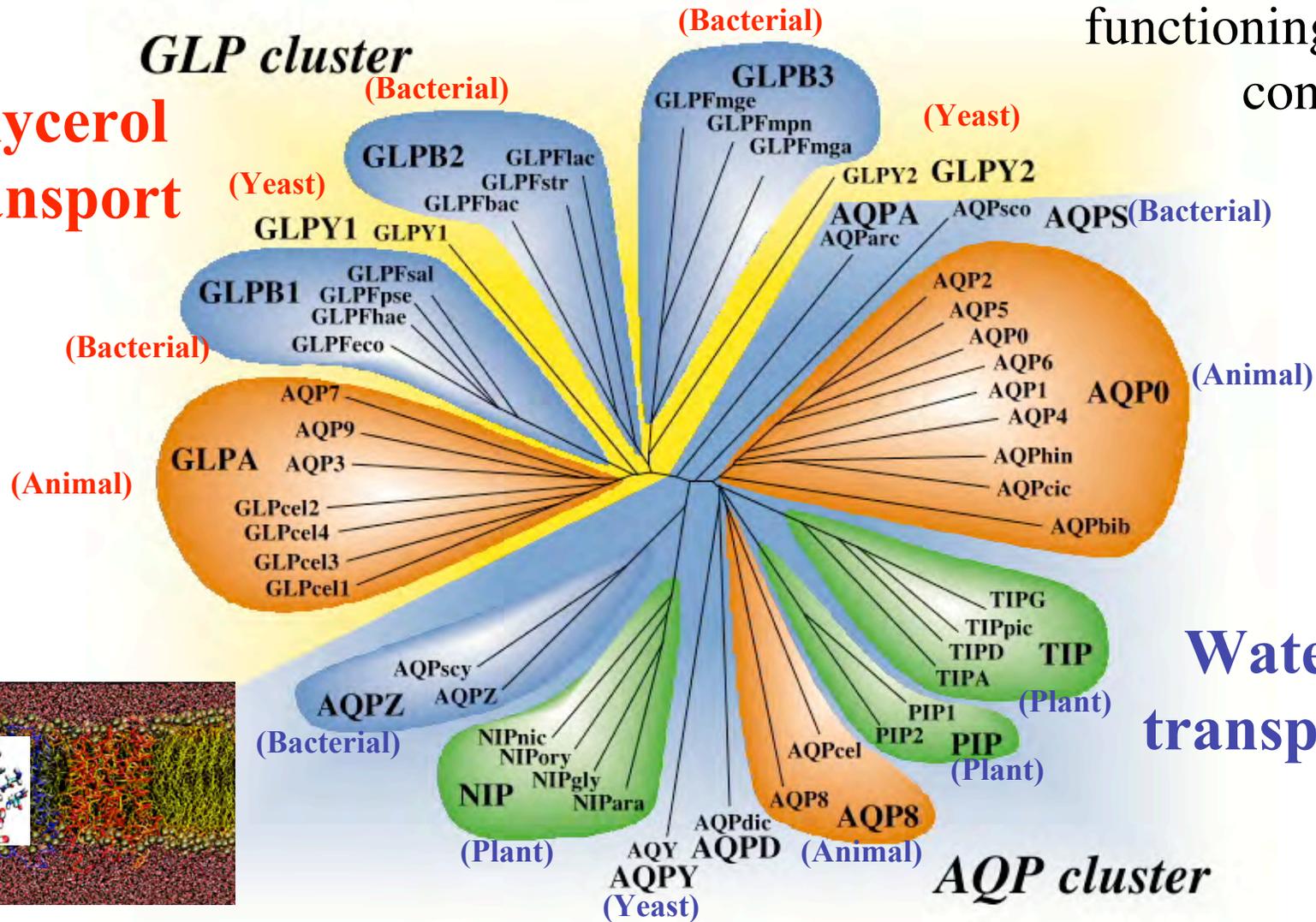
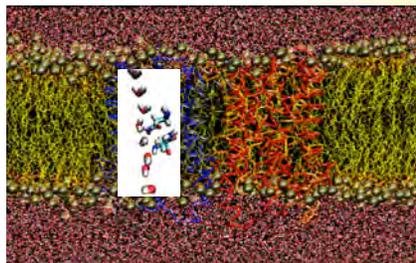
LSU (23S rRNA + rproteins)

The Aquaporin Superfamily

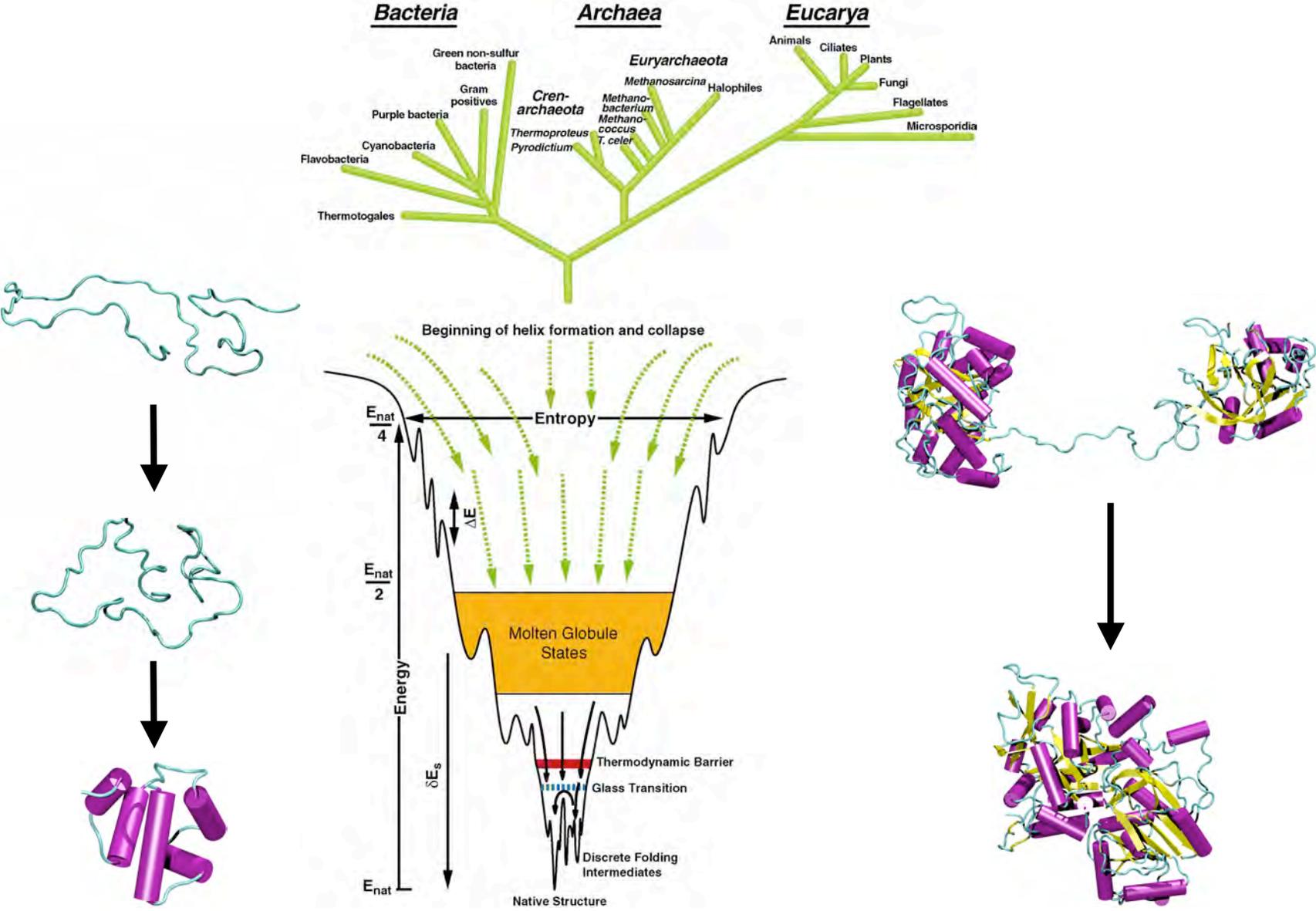
aquaporins are also
functioning as gas
conductors

**Glycerol
transport**

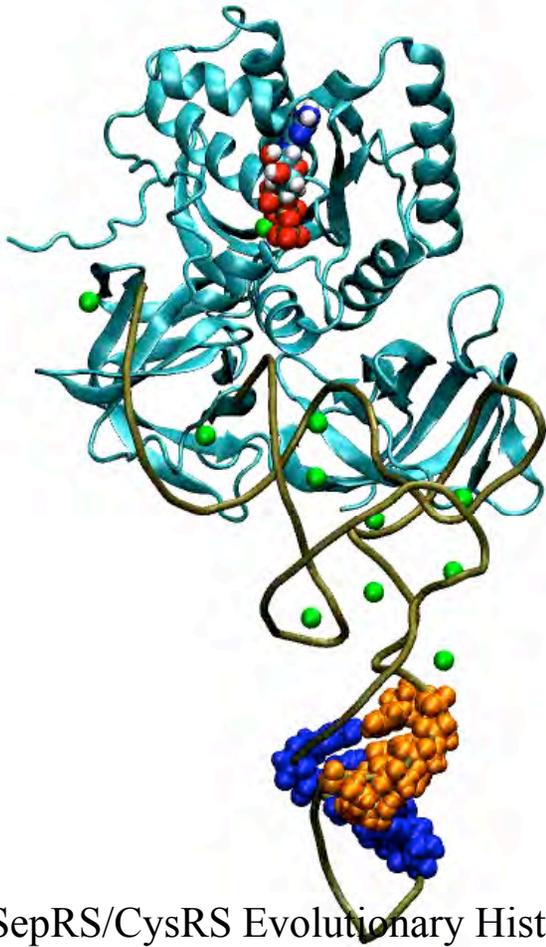
**Water
transport**



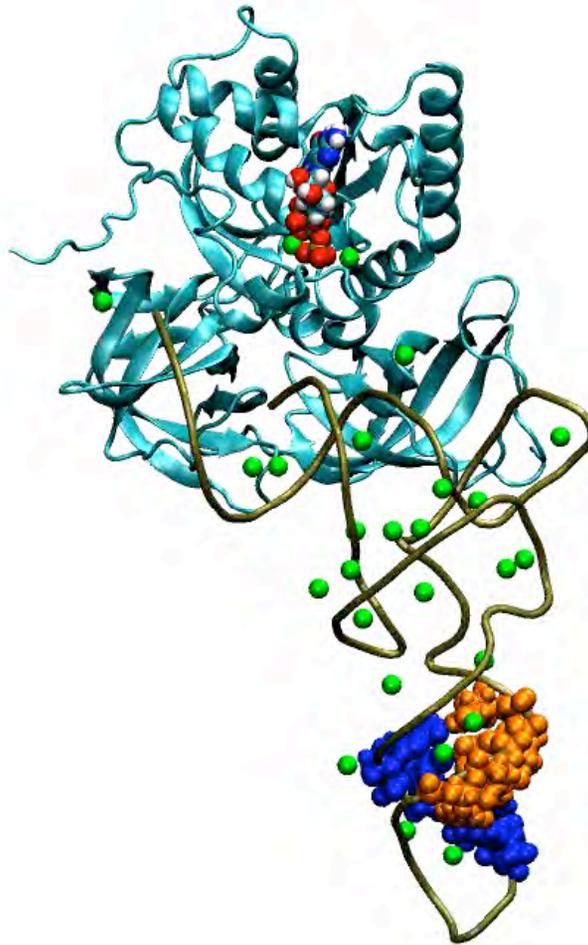
Evolution of Protein (RNA) Folding, Structure, & Function



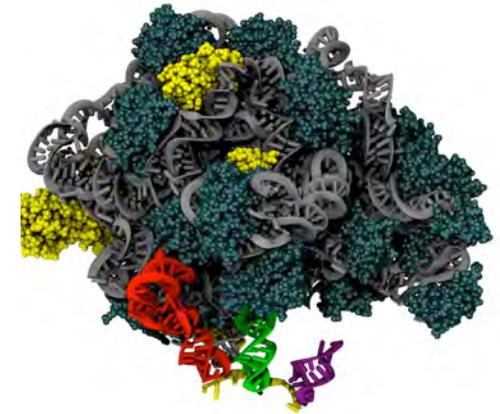
Evolution of Translational Machinery



SepRS/CysRS Evolutionary History
Sethi, O'Donoghue, ZLS, *PNAS* 2005
O'Donoghue, Sethi, Woese, ZLS,
PNAS 2005, Sethi, et al. Dynamics of
Allosteric Network, *PNAS* 09



Dynamical Recognition EF-Tu:tRNA-
Novel Amino Acids
Eargle et al., *JMB* 2008

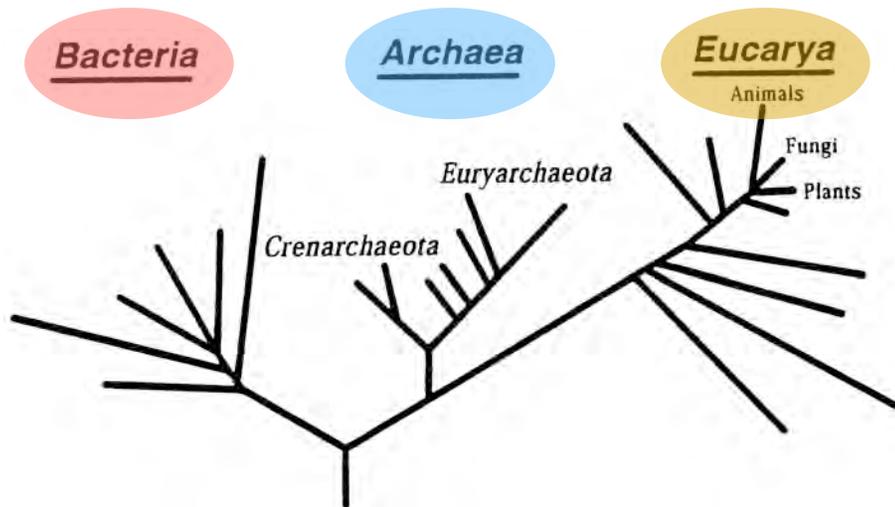


Proteins/RNA
Ribosome

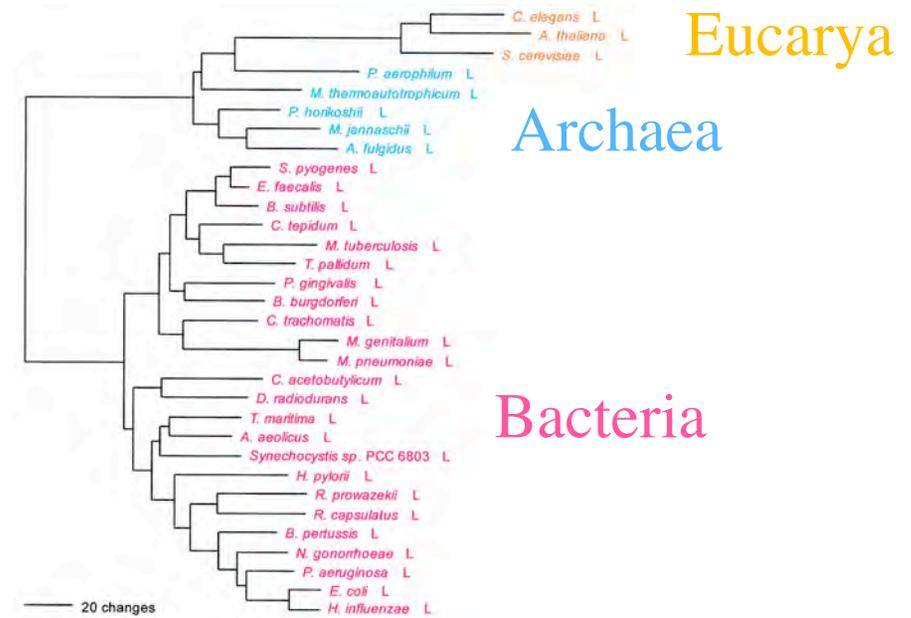
Molecular Signatures of
Ribosomal Evolution,
PNAS 2008, Roberts,
Sethi, Woese, ZLS

Universal Phylogenetic Tree

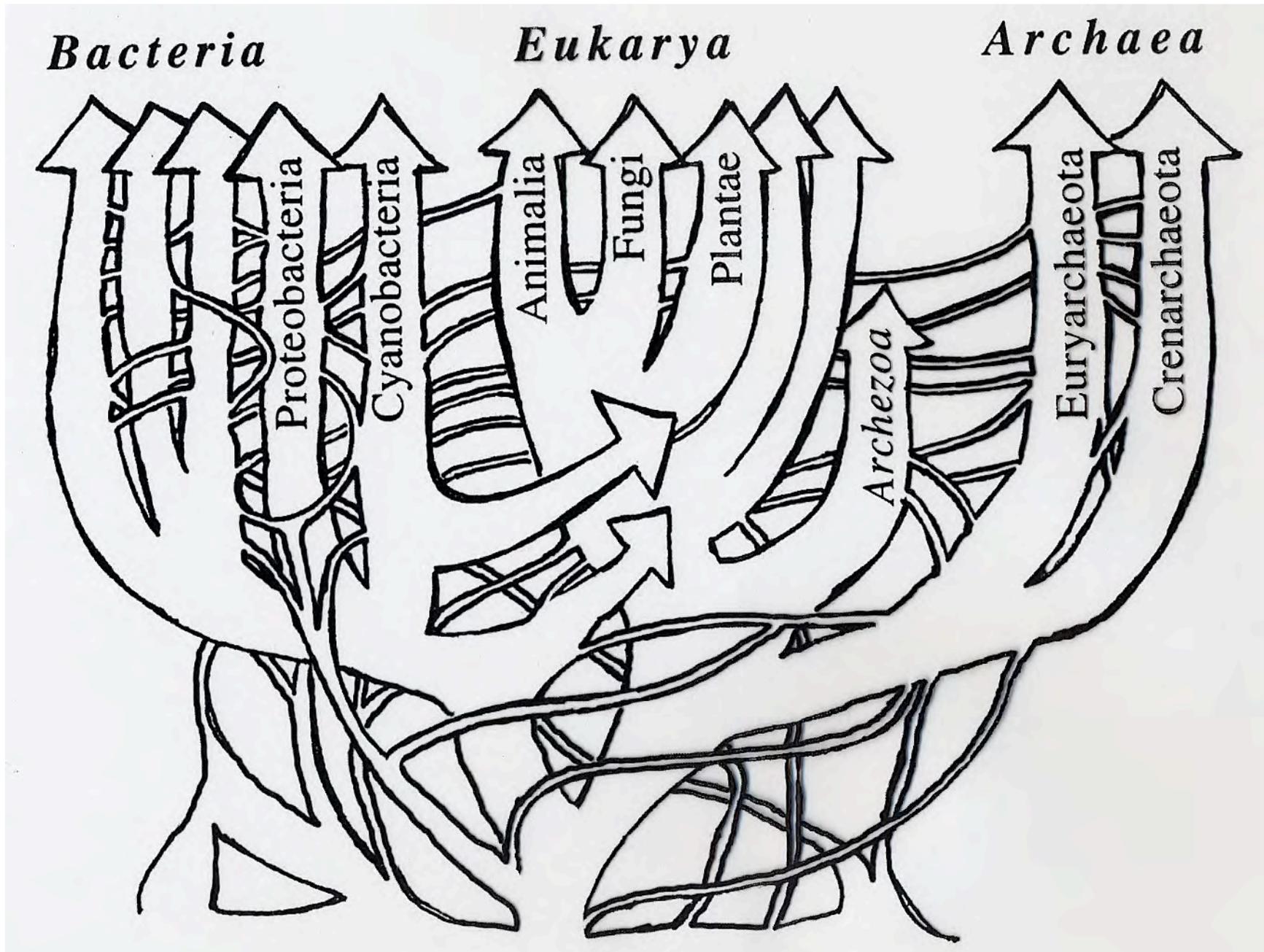
three domains of life



Based on 16S rRNA



Leucyl-tRNA synthetase displays the full canonical phylogenetic distribution.



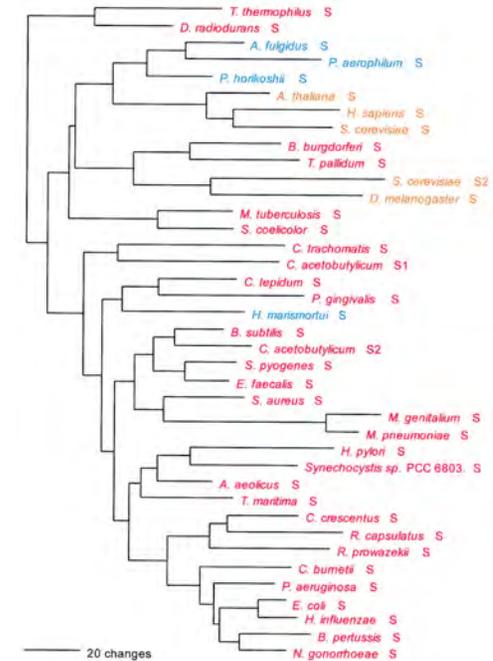
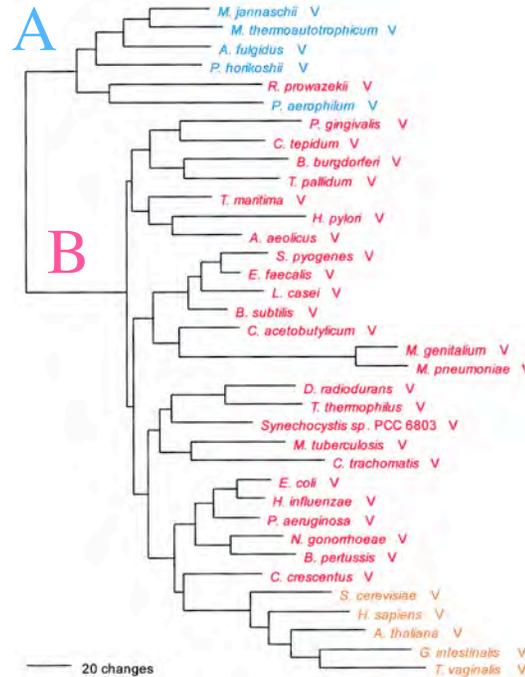
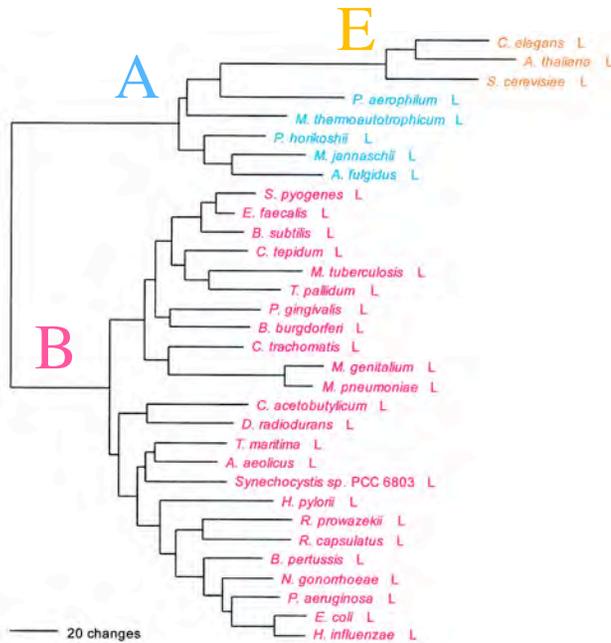
After W. Doolittle, modified by G. Olsen

Phylogenetic Distributions

Full Canonical

Basal Canonical

Non-canonical

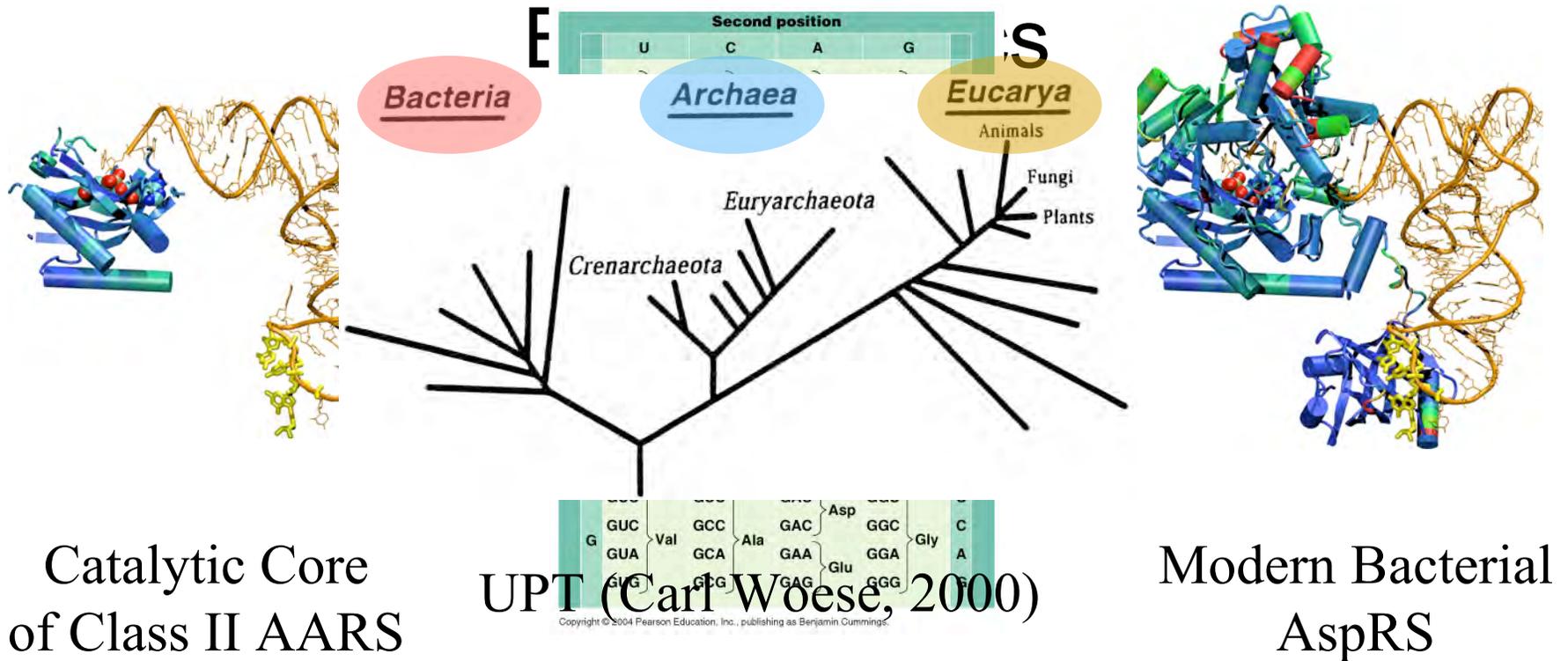


increasing inter-domain of life Horizontal Gene Transfer

“HGT erodes the historical trace, but does not completely erase it....” G. Olsen

MultiSeq in VMD

Evolutionary Approach to



Evolution of the Translation Machinery

Protein Structure Similarity Measure

Q_H Structural Homology

fraction of native contacts for aligned residues +
presence and perturbation of gaps

$$Q_H = N [q_{aln} + q_{gap}]$$

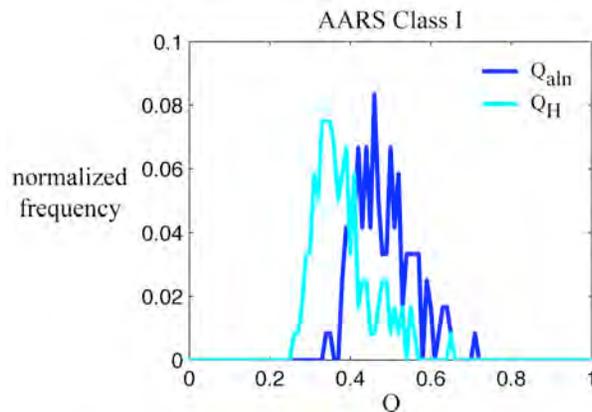
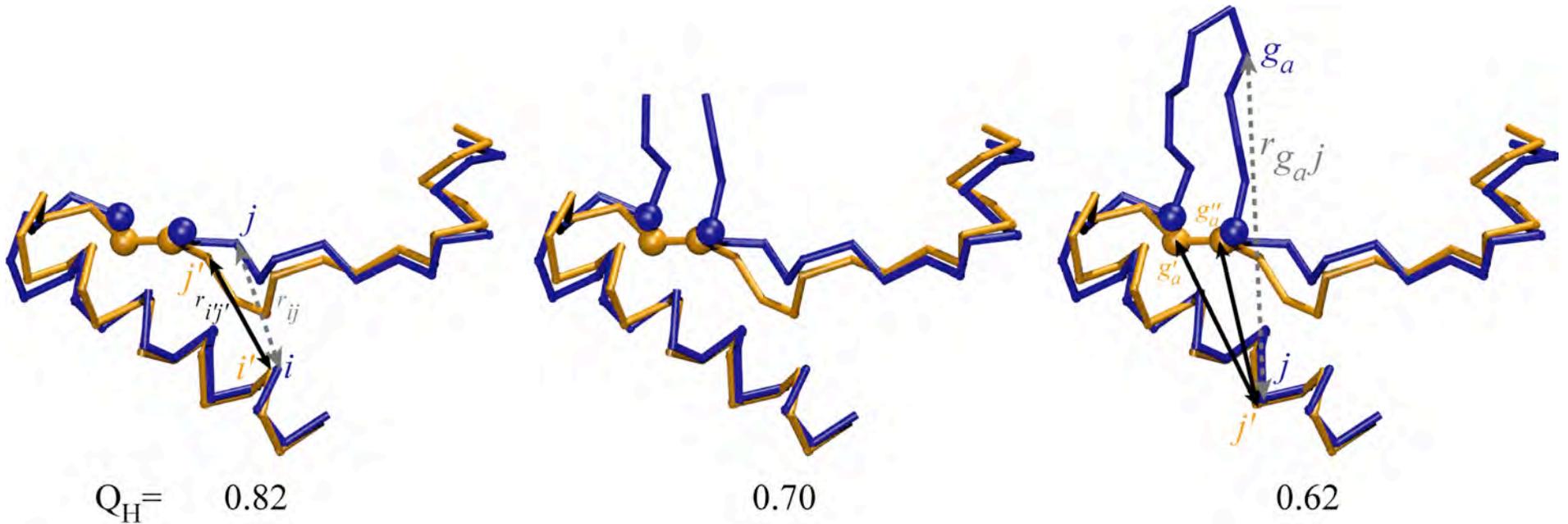
$$q_{aln} = \sum_{i < j-2} \exp \left[-\frac{(r_{ij} - r_{i'j'})^2}{2\sigma_{ij}^2} \right]$$



Structural Similarity Measure

the effect of insertions

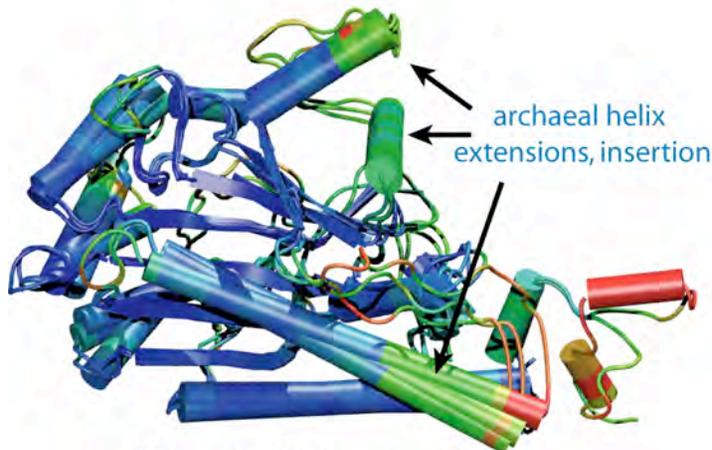
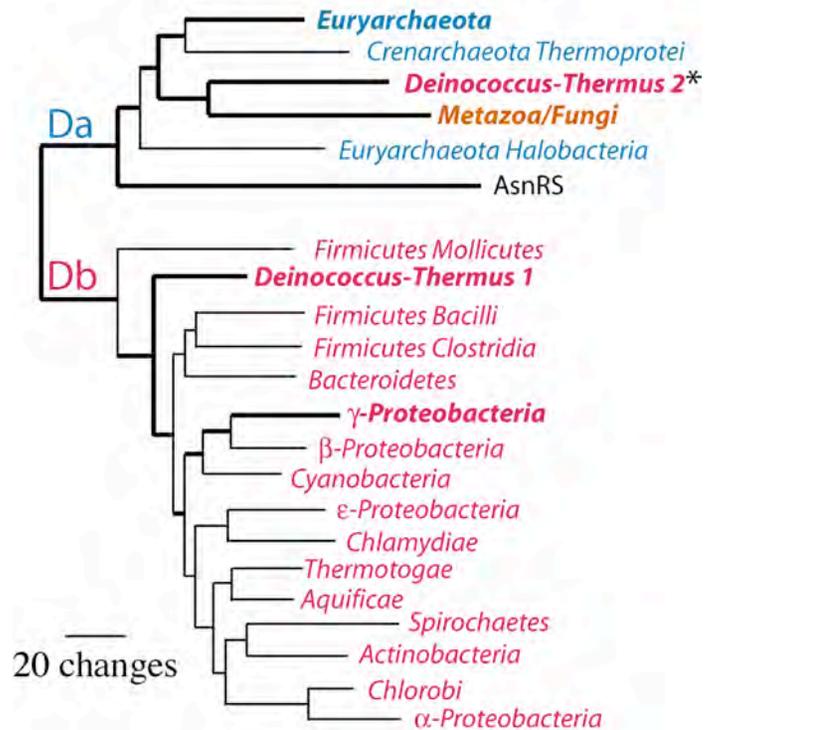
“Gaps should count as a character but not dominate” C. Woese



$$\begin{aligned}
 q_{gap} = & \sum_{g_a} \sum_j^{N_{aln}} \max \left\{ \exp \left[-\frac{(r_{g_a j} - r_{g'_a j'})^2}{2\sigma_{g_a j}^2} \right], \exp \left[-\frac{(r_{g_a j} - r_{g''_a j'})^2}{2\sigma_{g_a j}^2} \right] \right\} \\
 & + \sum_{g_b} \sum_j^{N_{aln}} \max \left\{ \exp \left[-\frac{(r_{g_b j} - r_{g'_b j'})^2}{2\sigma_{g_b j}^2} \right], \exp \left[-\frac{(r_{g_b j} - r_{g''_b j'})^2}{2\sigma_{g_b j}^2} \right] \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

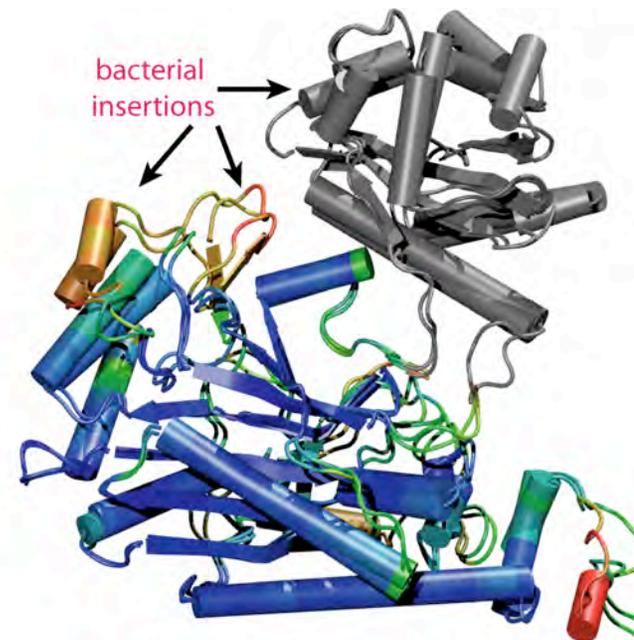
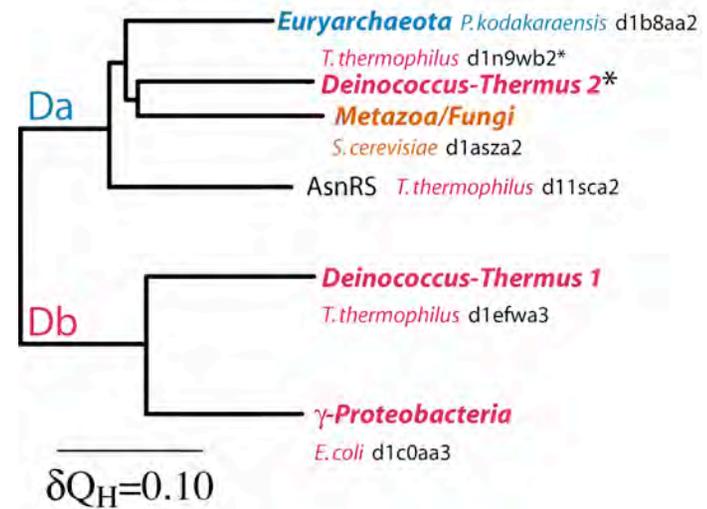
Protein structure encodes evolutionary information

sequence-based phylogeny



Da - AspRS archaeal genre

structure-based phylogeny

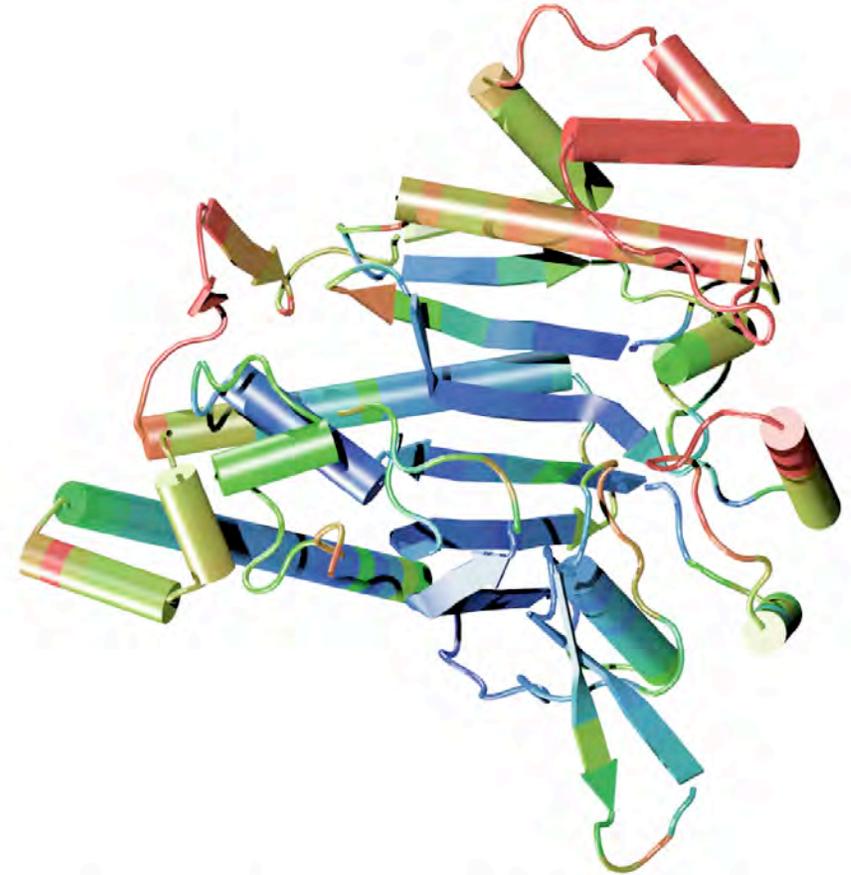
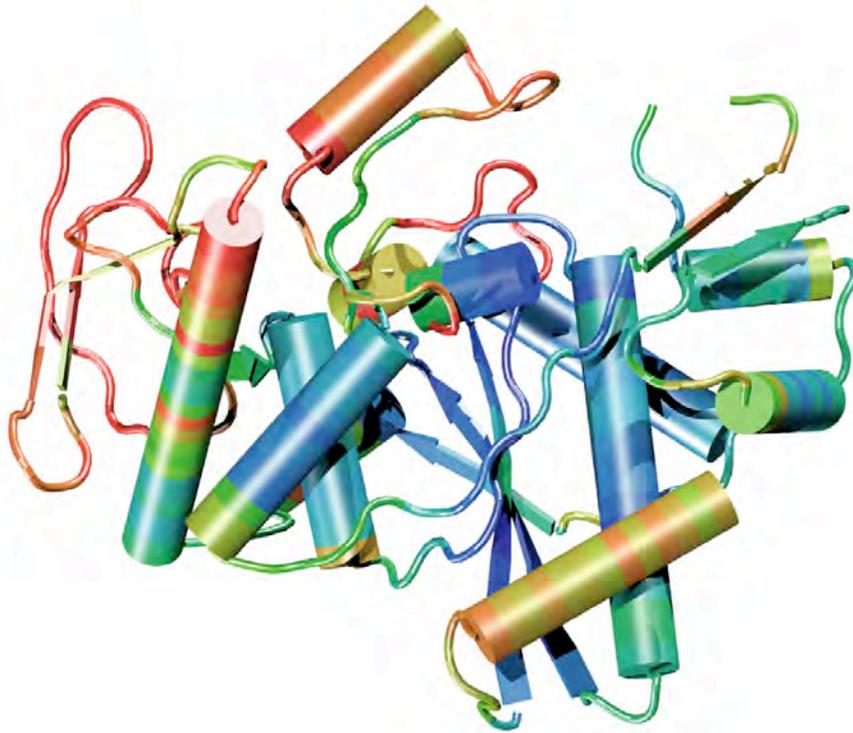
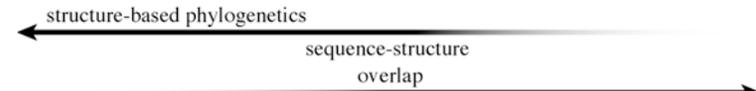
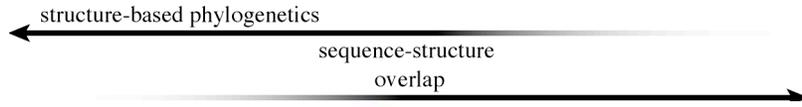


Db - AspRS bacterial genre

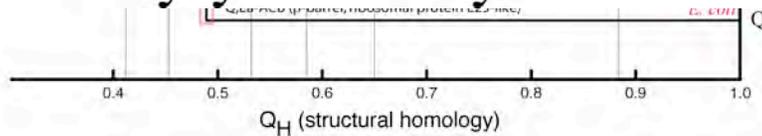
Protein structure reveals distant evolutionary events

Class I AARSs

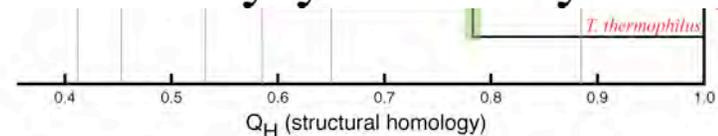
Class II AARSs



Class I Lysyl-tRNA Synthetase



Class II Lysyl-tRNA Synthetase



Sequences define more recent evolutionary events



Conformational changes
in the same protein.

ThrRS

T-AMP analog, 1.55 Å.

T, 2.00 Å.

$Q_H = 0.80$

Sequence identity = 1.00



Structures for two
different species.

ProRS

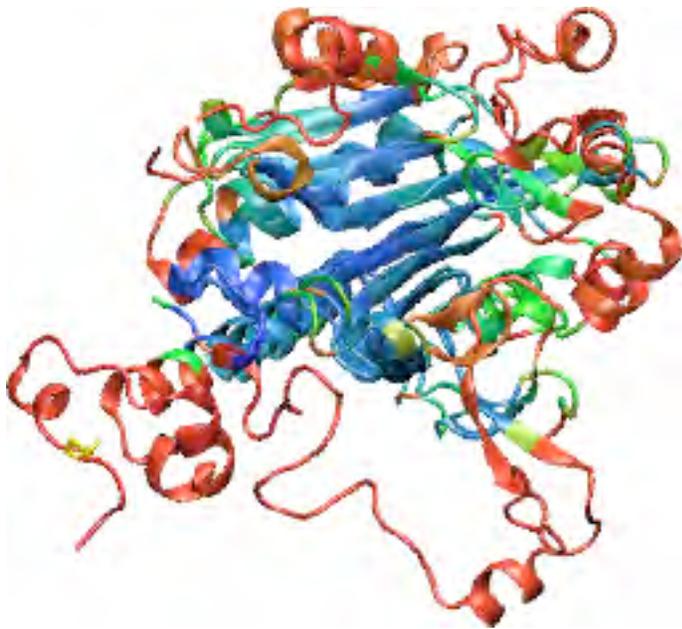
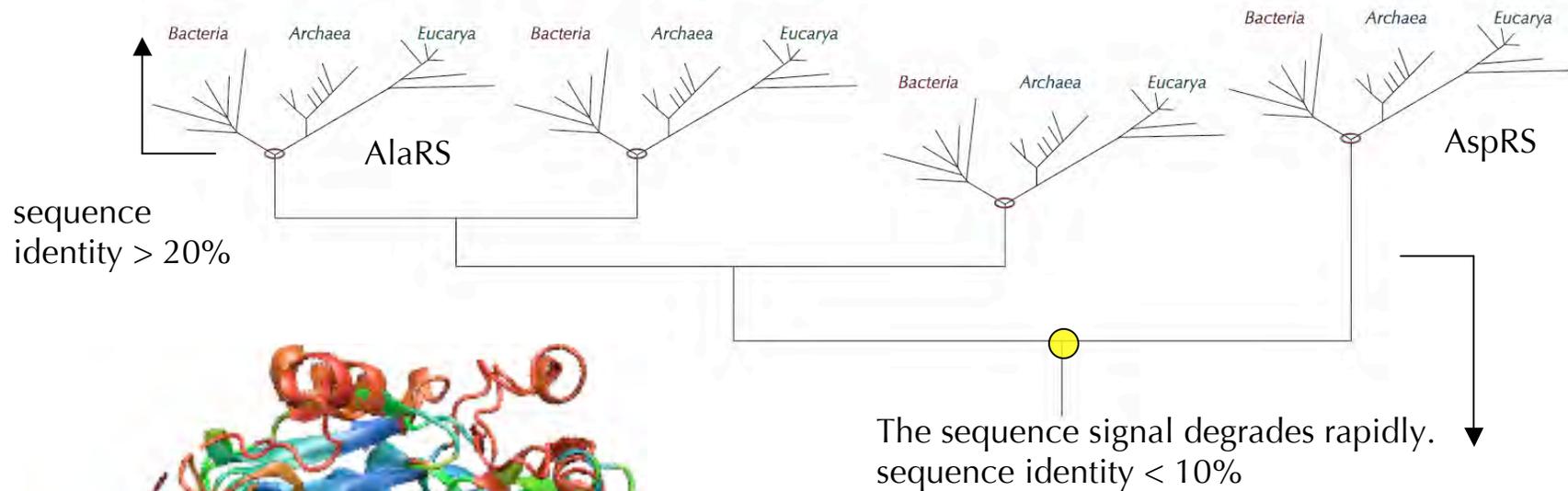
M. jannaschii, 2.55 Å.

M. thermoautotrophicus, 3.20 Å.

$Q_H = 0.89$

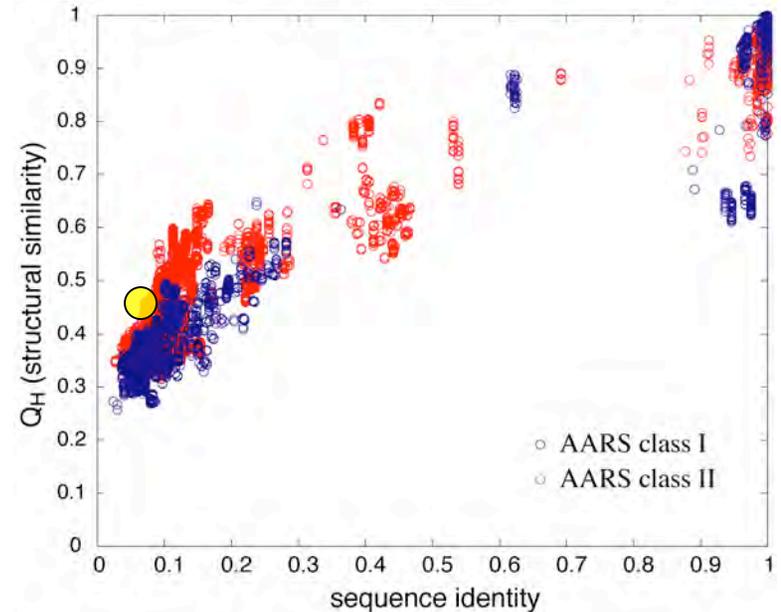
Sequence identity = 0.69

The Relationship Between Sequence & Structure



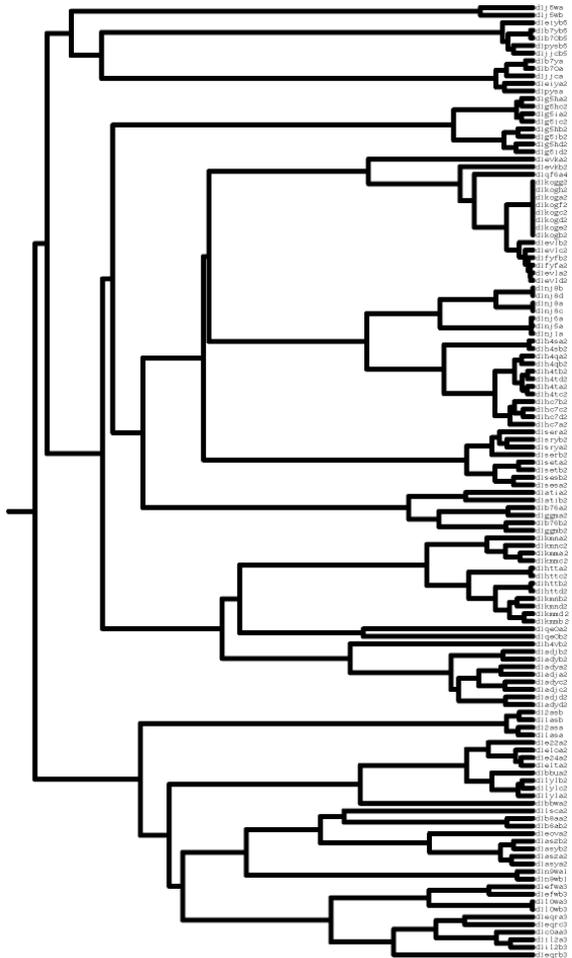
Structural superposition of AlaRS & AspRS.

● Sequence id = 0.055, $Q_H = 0.48$



Non-redundant Representative Sets

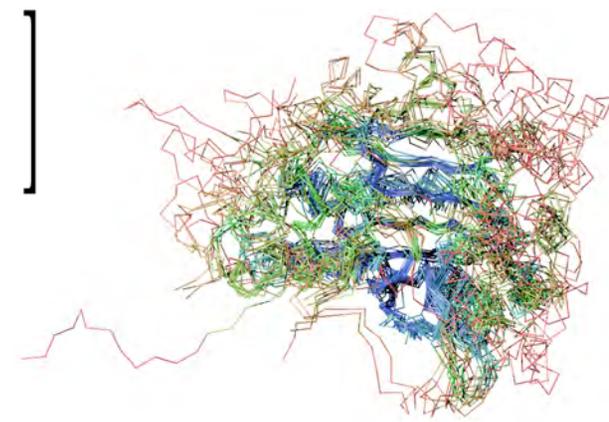
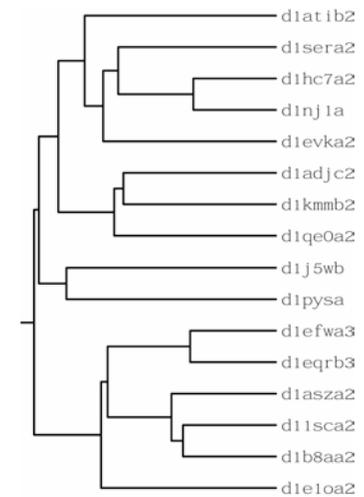
Too much information
129 Structures



Multidimensional QR
factorization
of alignment matrix, A .

$$A = \left[\begin{array}{c} \nearrow d=4 \\ \downarrow l_{aln} \\ \xrightarrow{k_{proteins}} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} G \\ Z \\ Y \\ X \end{array} \right]$$

Economy of information
16 representatives

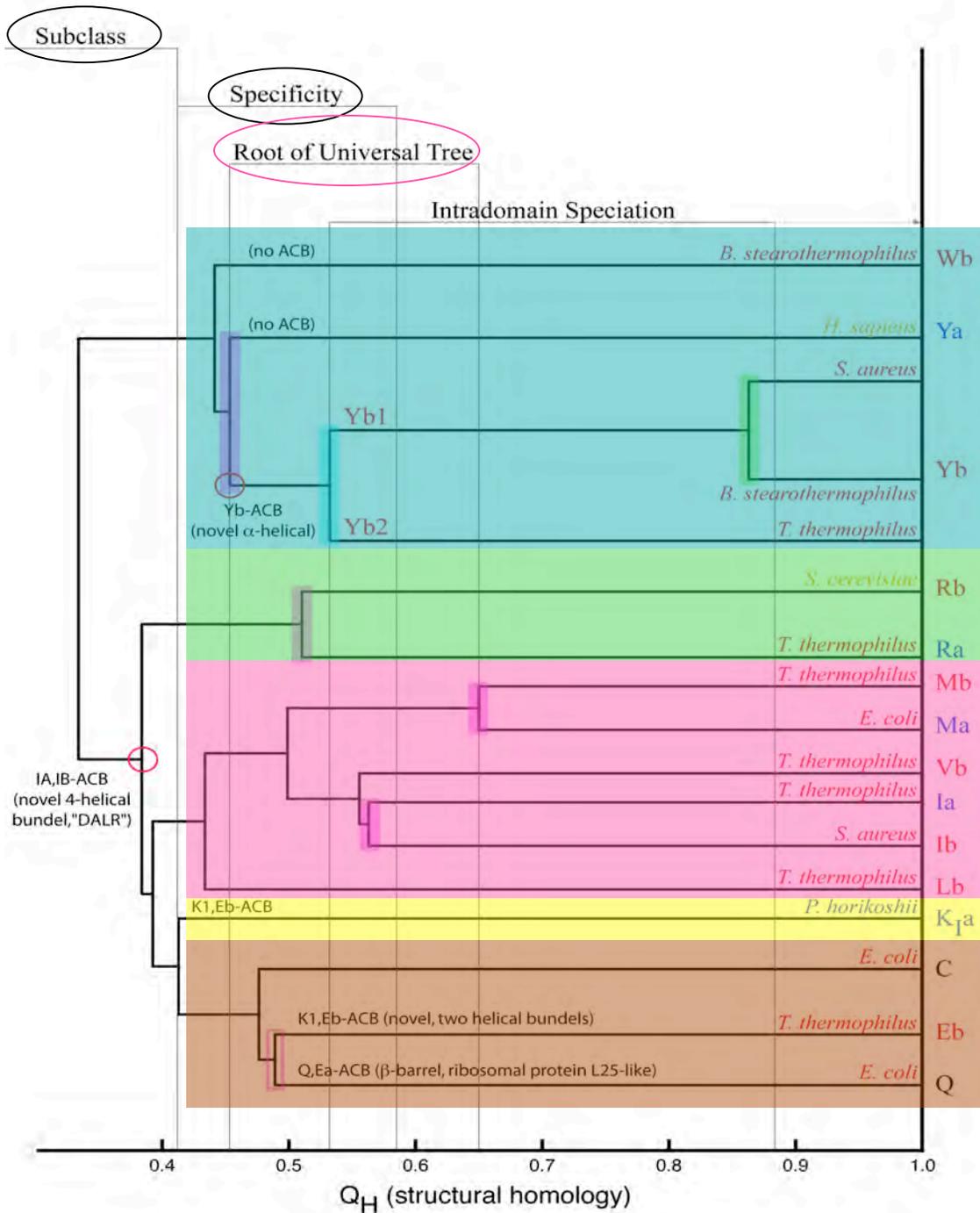


QR computes a set of maximal linearly independent structures.

P. O'Donoghue and Z. Luthey-Schulten (2003) *MMBR* **67**:550-571.

P. O'Donoghue and Z. Luthey-Schulten (2005) *J. Mol. Biol.*, **346**, 875-894.

Class I AARSs evolutionary events

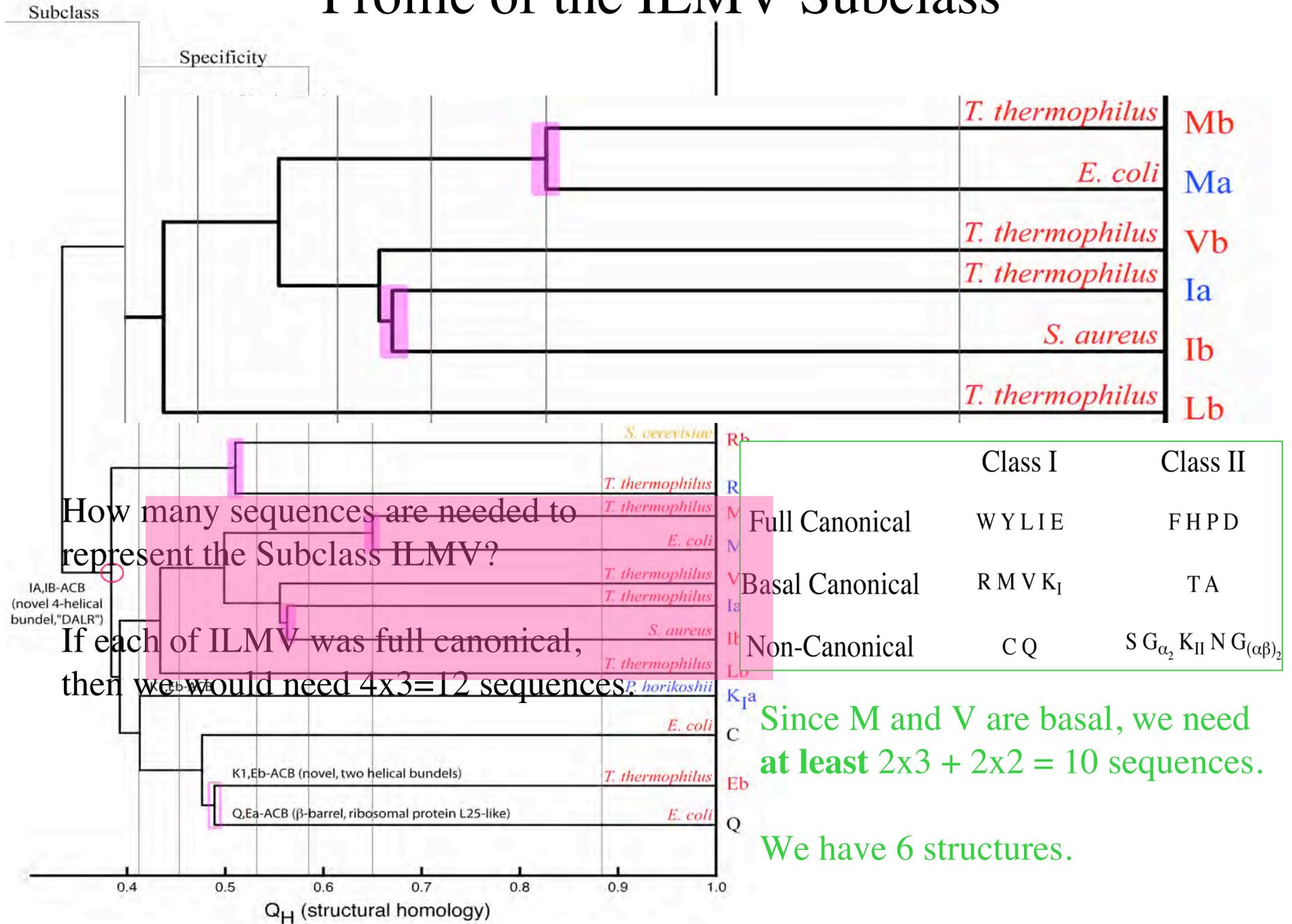


5 Subclasses

Specificity – 11 Amino acids

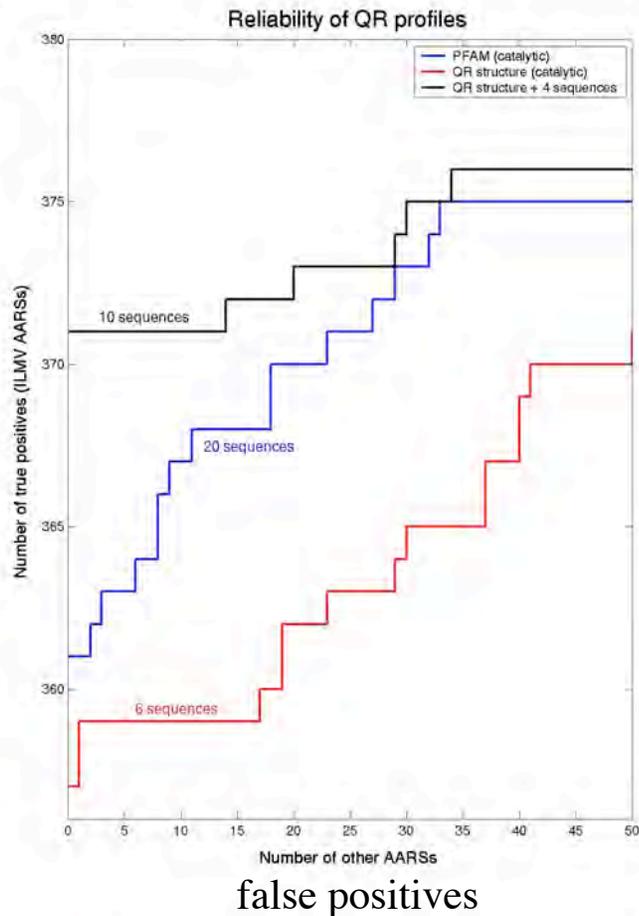
Domain of life A,B,E

Profile of the ILMV Subclass

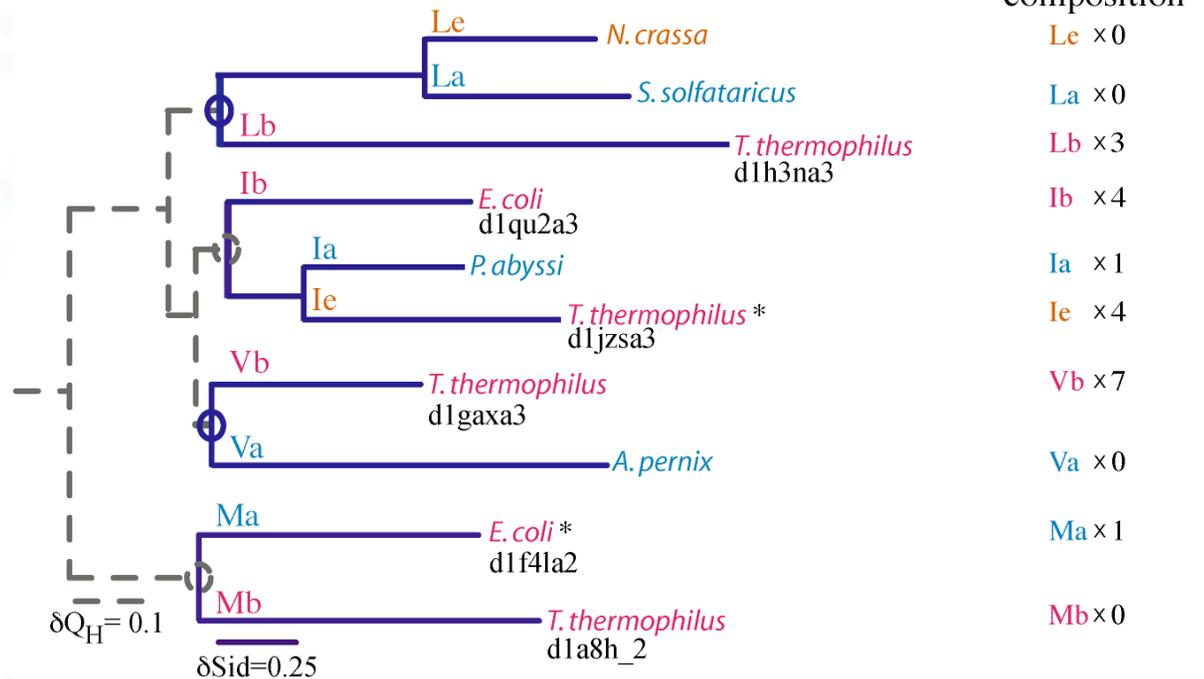


Evolutionary Profiles for Homology Recognition

AARS Subclass ILMV

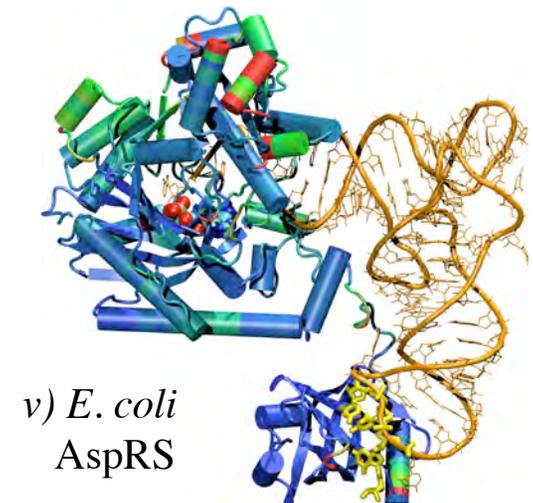
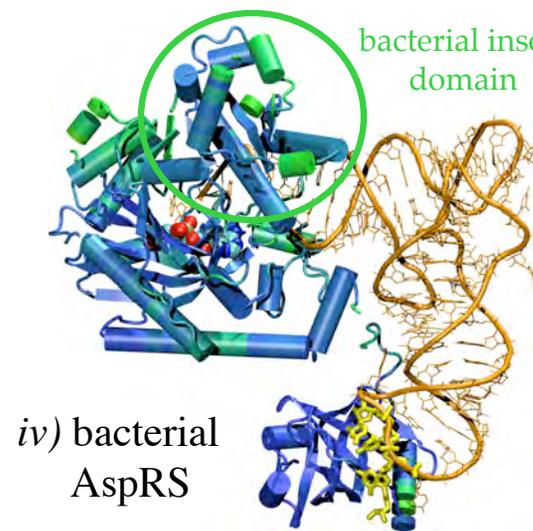
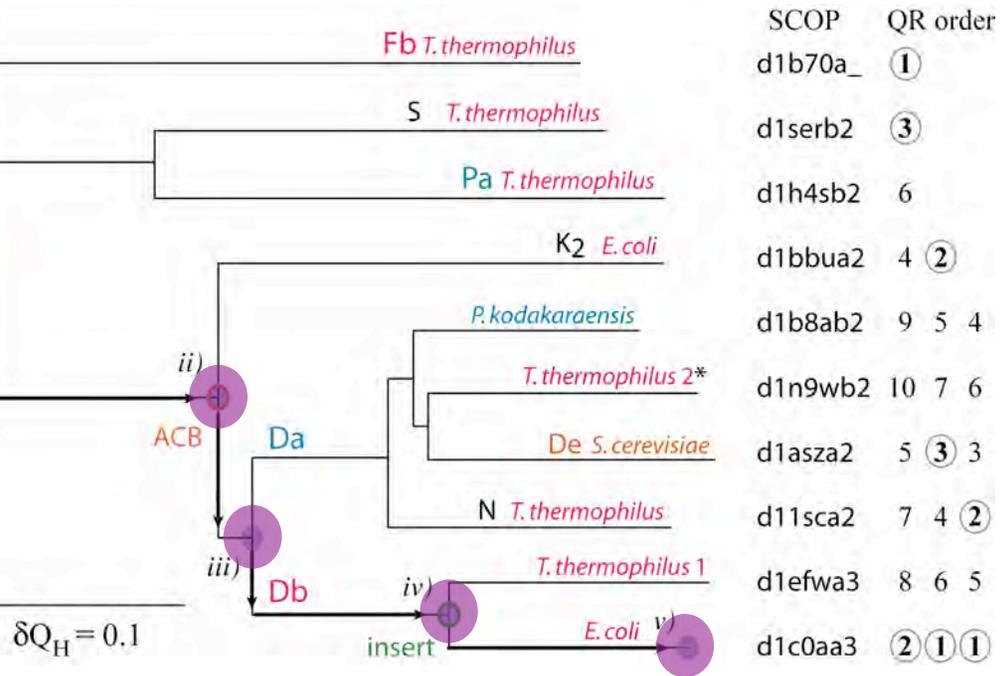
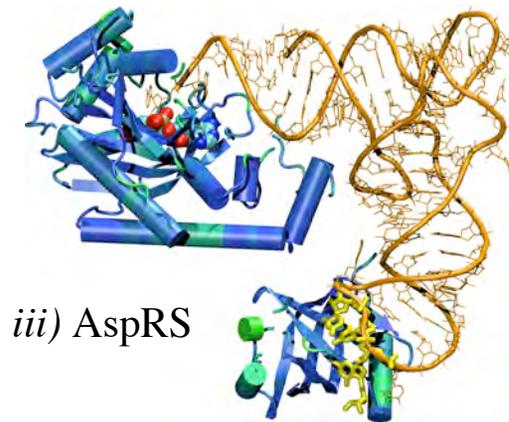
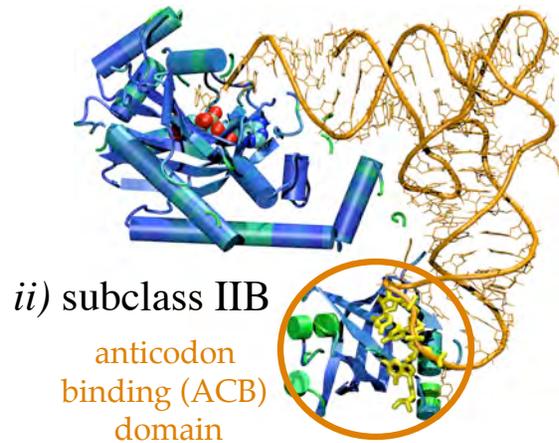
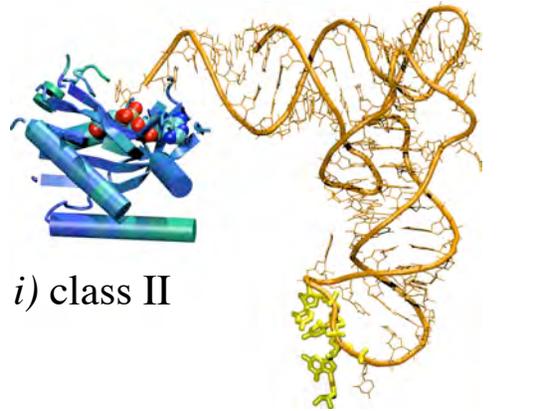


Combined Structure-Sequence Phylogeny
 an evolutionary profile of the AARS subclass IA



The composition of the profile matters.
 Choosing the right 10 sequence makes all the difference.

Evolution of Structure and Function in AspRS



Structural Profiles

1. Structure more conserved than sequences!!! Similar structures at the Family and Superfamily levels.

Add more structural information

2. Which structures and sequences to include? Use evolution and eliminate redundancy with QR factorization

Structural Domains

Structural Classification of Proteins



Protein: Aspartyl-tRNA synthetase (AspRS) from *Escherichia coli*

Lineage:

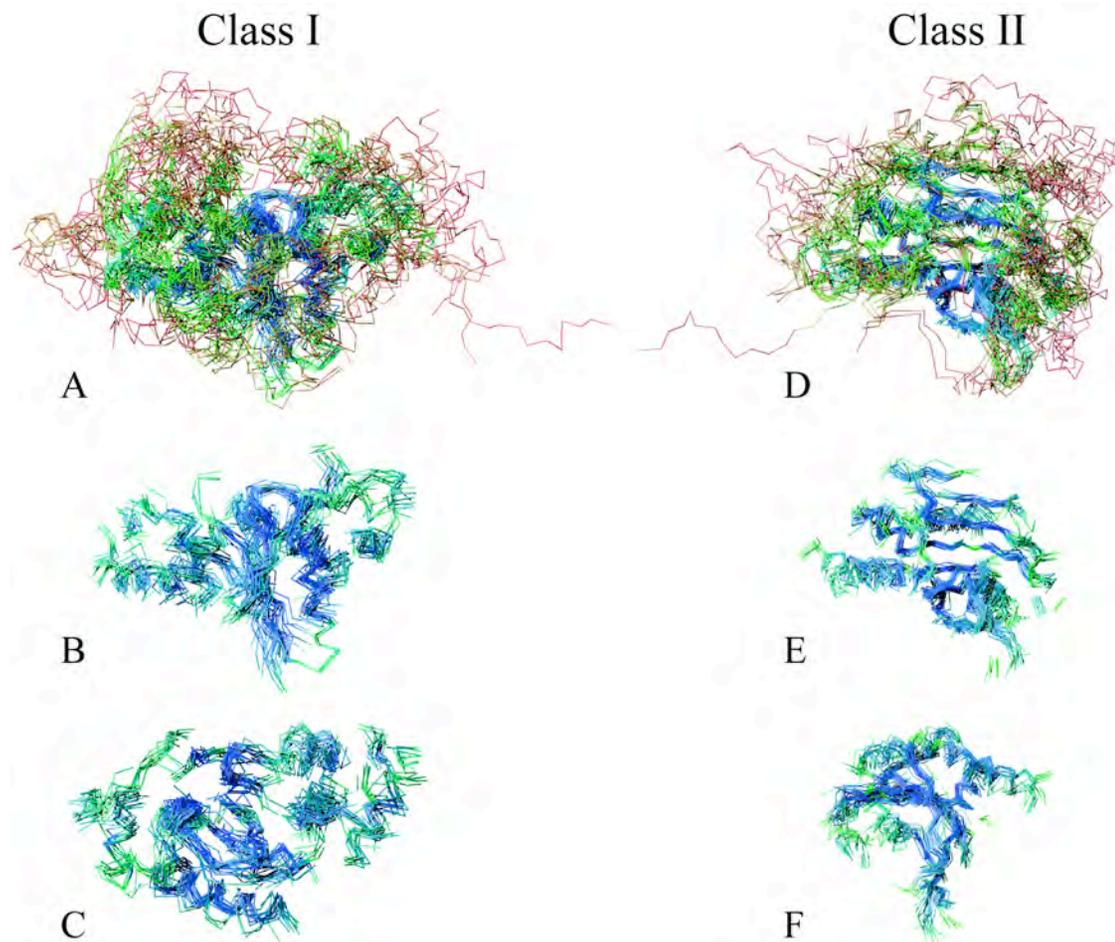
1. Root: [scop](#)
2. Class: [All beta proteins](#)
3. Fold: [OB-fold](#)
barrel, closed or partly opened n=5, S=10 or S=8; greek-key
4. Superfamily: [Nucleic acid-binding proteins](#)
5. Family: [Anticodon-binding domain](#)
barrel, closed; n=5, S=10
6. Protein: Aspartyl-tRNA synthetase (AspRS)
this is N-terminal domain in prokaryotic enzymes and the first "visible" domain in eukaryotic enzymes
7. Species: [Escherichia coli](#)

PDB Entry Domains:

1. [1c0a](#)    
 1. [region a:1-106](#)   
2. [1i12](#)    
complexed with 1mg, 5mc, 5mu, amo, h2u, psu, so4
 1. [region a:1-106](#)   
 2. [region b:1001-1106](#)   
3. [1eqr](#)    
complexed with mg
 1. [region a:1-106](#)   
 2. [region b:1-106](#)   
 3. [region c:1-106](#)   

Profile - Multiple Structural Alignments

Representative Profile of AARS Family
Catalytic Domain



STAMP - Multiple Structural Alignments

1. Initial Alignment Inputs

- Multiple Sequence alignment
- Ridged Body “Scan”

2. Refine Initial Alignment & Produce Multiple Structural Alignment

$$P_{ij} = \left\{ e^{-d_{ij}^2/2E_1} \right\} \left\{ e^{-s_{ij}^2/2E_2} \right\}$$

probability that residue i on structure A is equivalent to residue j on structure B.

d_{ij} -- distance between i & j

s_{ij} -- conformational similarity; function of rms between $i-1, i, i+1$ and $j-1, j, j+1$.

- Dynamic Programming (Smith-Waterman) through P matrix gives optimal set of equivalent residues.
- This set is used to re-superpose the two chains. Then iterate until alignment score is unchanged.
- This procedure is performed for all pairs.

Multiple Structural Alignments

STAMP – cont'd

2. Refine Initial Alignment & Produce Multiple Structural Alignment

Alignment score:

$$S_C = \frac{S_P}{L_P} \frac{L_P - i_A}{L_A} \frac{L_P - i_B}{L_B}$$

$$S_P = \sum_{aln.path} P_{ij}$$

L_P, L_A, L_B -- length of alignment, sequence A, sequence B

i_A, i_B -- length of gaps in A and B.

Multiple Alignment:

- Create a dendrogram using the alignment score.
- Successively align groups of proteins (from branch tips to root).
- When 2 or more sequences are in a group, then average coordinates are used.

Planned Tools in MultiSeq

Protein / RNA
Sequence Data

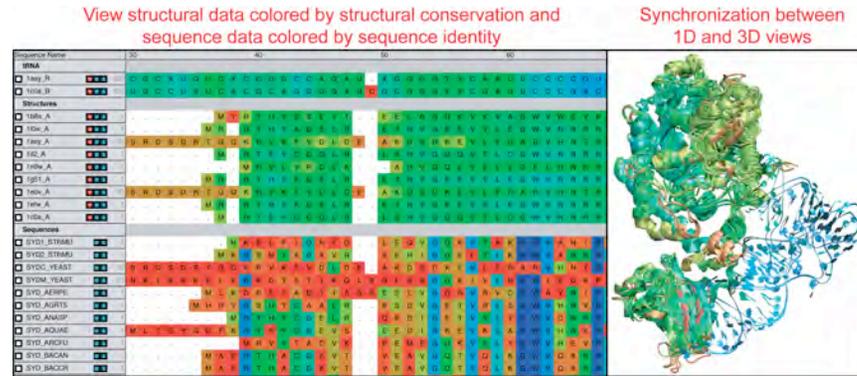
Entire SwissProt DB,
100,000+ RNA seqs

Metadata Information,
Clustal &
Phylogenetic Trees

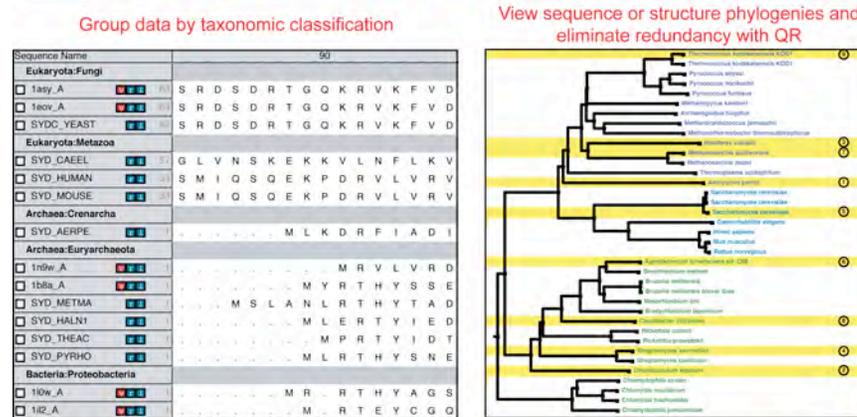
Incorporate
genomic content

Blast & PsiBlast

Sequence Editor

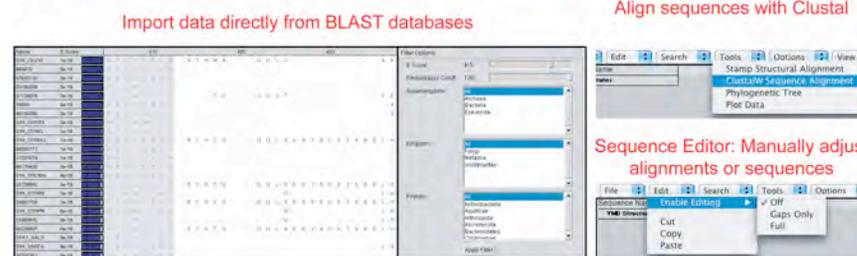


Sequence /
Structure
Alignment
RNA Secondary
Structure



QR non-redundant
seq / str sets

Cluster analysis
/ Bioinformatics
scripting



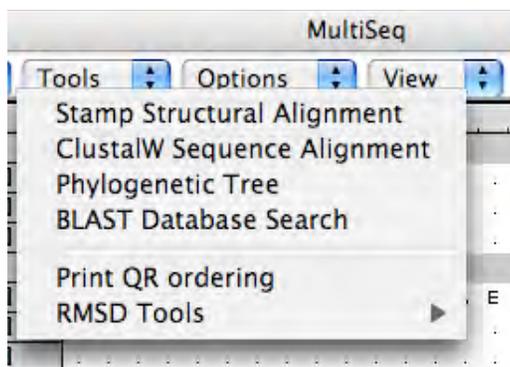
Tutorials
MultiSeq/AARS
EF-Tu/Ribosome

J. Eargle, D. Wright, Z. Luthey-Schulten, *Bioinformatics*, 22:504 (2006)

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What is MultiSeq?

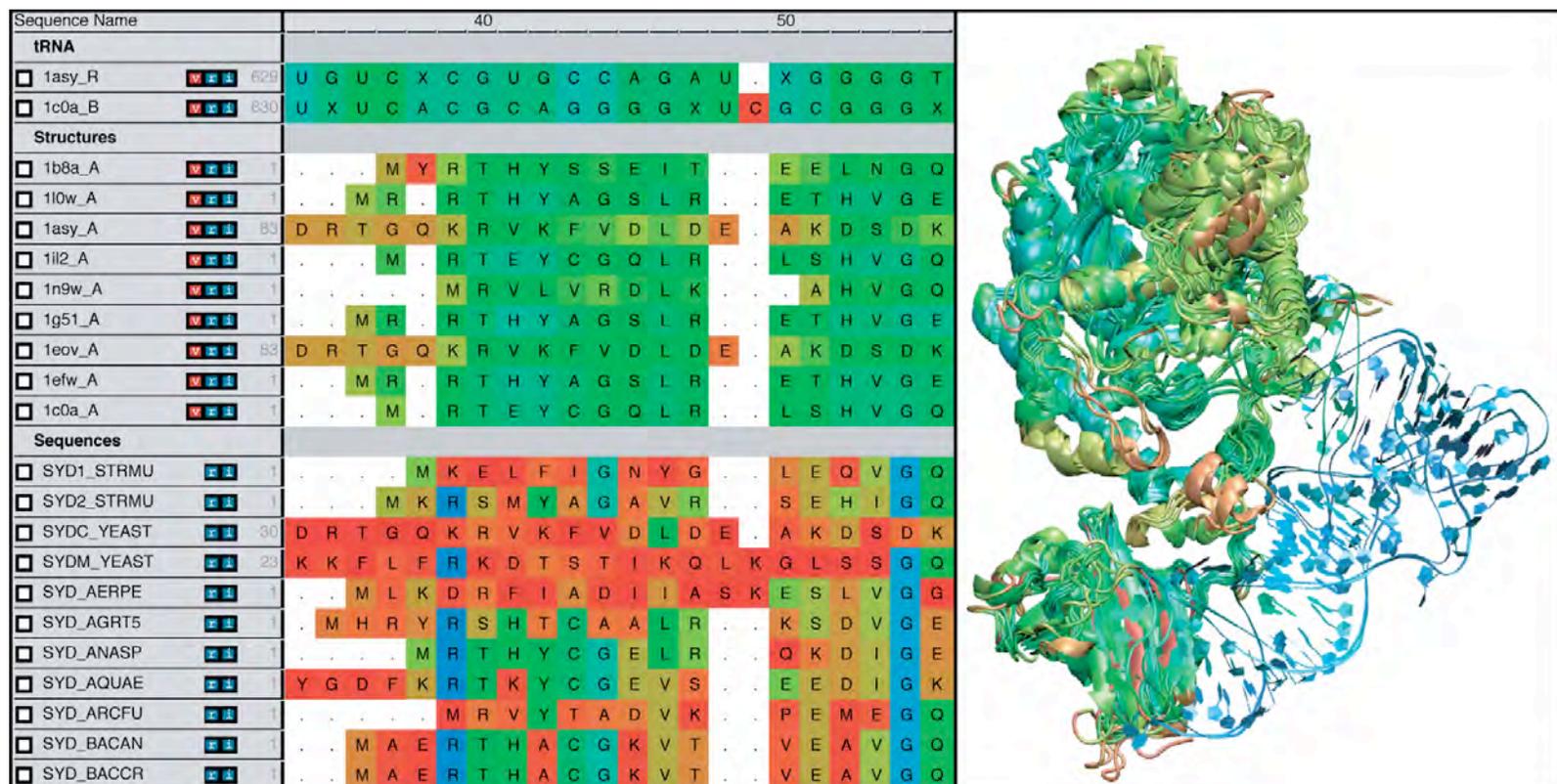
- MultiSeq is an extension to VMD that provides an environment to combine sequence and structure data
- A platform for performing bioinformatics analyses within the framework of evolution
- Provides software for improving the signal-to-noise ratio in an evolutionary analysis by eliminating redundancy (**StructQR, SeqQR, Evolutionary Profiles “EP”**)
- Visualizes computationally **derived metrics** (Q_{res} , Q_H, \dots) or imported experimental properties



- Integrates popular bioinformatics tools making them easier to use and reducing the barrier to performing bioinformatics analysis (ClustalW, **STAMP**, BLAST)

MultiSeq Combines Sequence and Structure

- Align sequences or structures; manually edit alignments
- View data colored by numerous metrics including structural conservation and sequence similarity
- Synchronized coloring between 1D and 3D views



BLAST DB Searching

- Import sequence data directly from BLAST databases
- Search using a single sequence or an **EP** profile
- Filter results based on taxonomy or redundancy (**QR**)

Name	E Score	410	420	430
SYK_GLOVI	1e-19	N P Y P Y R Y E	. R T H M A . . . G D L Q . . . . .	. . . . . A K
666876	2e-19	T Q I C K I K S	. . . . .	. . . . .
67920132	2e-19	N G E E V E V D	. . . . .	. . . . .
23130228	3e-19	A D L A S G E E	. . . . .	. . . . .
57159018	3e-19	. . . M I D K V	. . . . . Y C A D V T . . . . .	. . . . . P E
1N9W	4e-19	R V L V R D L K	. . . . .	. . . . . A
46199389	5e-19	R V L V R D L K	. . . . .	. . . . . A
SYK_SYNY3	5e-19	R D L S N G E E	. . . . .	. . . . .
SYK_SYNEL	1e-18	A H L A A G E A	. . . . .	. . . . .
SYK_STRMU	1e-18	D P F G K R F E	. R T A T S G Q L K E K Y A D K T K E E L H	. . . . .
50256771	1e-18	E E V I D M P A	. . . . .	. . . . .
57227974	1e-18	E E V I D M P A	. . . . .	. . . . .
68179432	3e-18	A A A L E G C E	. . . . .	. . . . .
SYK_PROMA	4e-18	P N G Q D R E I	. . . . .	. . . . .
55738646	5e-18	D P F G K R F E	. R T A T S G Q L K E K Y A D K T K E E L H	. . . . .
SYK_STRR6	5e-18	K Y A N L D K E	. . . . . Q . . . . .	. . . . . L H
55820759	5e-18	D P F G K R F E	. R T A T S G Q L K E K Y A D K T K E E L H	. . . . .
SYK_STRPN	6e-18	K Y A N L D K E	. . . . . Q . . . . .	. . . . . L H
15900610	6e-18	K Y A N L D K E	. . . . . Q . . . . .	. . . . . L H
62526807	6e-18	D P F G K R F E	. R T A T S G Q L K E K Y A D K T K E E L H	. . . . .
SYK1_SALTI	6e-18	E E L E A L N I	. . . . .	. . . . .
SYK_ENTFA	8e-18	Y D N H T K E E	. . . . .	. . . . . L S
56707357	8e-18	E L E E L D N K	. . . . .	. . . . .

Filter Options

E Score: e-5

Redundancy Cutoff: 100

Superkingdom: All
 Archaea
 Bacteria
 Eukaryota

Kingdom: All
 Fungi
 Metazoa
 Viridiplantae

Phylum: All
 Actinobacteria
 Aquificae
 Arthropoda
 Ascomycota
 Bacteroidetes
 Chlamydiae

Protein sequence alignment

How do I align two similar, but different sequences

Sequence 1: $a_1 a_2 a_3 - - a_4 a_5 \dots a_n$

Sequence 2: $c_1 - c_2 c_3 c_4 c_5 - \dots c_m$

There exist web accessible tools, e.g., BLAST search: <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/>

The image shows the NCBI protein-protein BLAST search interface. At the top, the NCBI logo is on the left, and the text "protein-protein BLAST" is on the right. Below the logo, there are four tabs: "Nucleotide", "Protein", "Translations", and "Retrieve results for an RID". The "Protein" tab is selected. The main search area contains a large text input field for the query sequence. Below the input field, there are several options: "Search" (a link), "Set subsequence" (with "From:" and "To:" input fields), "Choose database" (with a dropdown menu showing "nr"), "Do CD-Search" (with a checked checkbox), and "Now:" (with buttons for "BLAST!", "Reset query", and "Reset all").

Search for

NiceProt View of Swiss-Prot: P47865

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Name and origin of the protein	
Protein name	Aquaporin-CHIP
Synonyms	Water channel protein for red blood cells and kidney proximal tubule Aquaporin 1 Water channel protein CHIP29
Gene name	Name: AQP1
From	Bos taurus (Bovine) [TaxID: 9913]
Taxonomy	Eukaryota; Metazoa; Chordata; Craniata; Vertebrata; Euteleostomi; Mammalia; Eutheria; Cetartiodactyla; Ruminantia; Pecora; Bovidae; Bovinae; Bos.
References	
[1]	SEQUENCE FROM NUCLEIC ACID. TISSUE=Ocular ciliary epithelium; Snapz Pro X

Scroll down to the sequence:

Final Result: Sequence Alignment

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>gi|46395801|sp|Q88F17|AQPZ_PSEPK G Aquaporin Z
      Length = 230

Score = 119 bits (299), Expect = 6e-27
Identities = 70/186 (37%), Positives = 105/186 (56%), Gaps = 12/186 (6%)

Query: 53  VSLAFGLSIATLAQSVGHISGAHLNPAVTLGLLLSCQISVLRAIMYIIAQCVGAIVATAI 112
          V+ AFGL++ T+A ++GHISG HLNPAV+ GL++ + + Y+IAQ +GAI+A +
Sbjct: 40  VAFAFGLTVLTMFAIGHISGCHLNPAVVSFGLVVGGRFPAKELLPYVIAQVIGAILAAGV 99

Query: 113 LSGITSSLP--DNSLGL--NALAP----GVNSGQGLGIEIIGTLQLVLCVLATTD RRRRD 164
          + I S + S GL N A G G G E++ T ++ ++ TD R
Sbjct: 100 IYLIASGKAGFELSAGLASNGYADHSPGGYTLGAGFVSEVVMTAMFLVVIMGATDARAP- 158

Query: 165 LGGSGPLAIGFSVALGHLLAIDYTGCGINPARSFGSSVITHNF--QDHWIFWVGPFIGAA 222
          G P+AIG ++ L HL++I T +NPARS G ++ + Q W+FWV P IGAA
Sbjct: 159 -AGFAPIAIGLALTLIHLISIPVTNTSVNPARSTGPALFVGGWALQQLWLFWVAPLIGAA 217

Query: 223 LAVLIY 228
          + +Y
Sbjct: 218 IGGALY 223
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Search method returns approximate alignments - needing refinement

Flexible Grouping of Data

- Automatically group data by taxonomic classification to assist in evolutionary analysis (HGT) or create custom groups
- Apply metrics to groups independently, e.g bacterial signal

Sequence Name		90
Eukaryota:Fungi		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1asy_A		83 S R D S D R T G Q K R V K F V D
<input type="checkbox"/> 1eov_A		83 S R D S D R T G Q K R V K F V D
<input type="checkbox"/> SYDC_YEAST		82 S R D S D R T G Q K R V K F V D
Eukaryota:Metazoa		
<input type="checkbox"/> SYD_CAEEL		57 S K . . E K K V L N F L K V K E
<input type="checkbox"/> SYD_HUMAN		33 S Q . . E K P D R V L V R V R D
<input type="checkbox"/> SYD_MOUSE		33 S Q . . E K P D R V L V R V K D
Archaea:Crenarcha		
<input type="checkbox"/> SYD_AERPE		1 M L K D R F I A D
Archaea:Euryarchaeota		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1n9w_A		1 M R V L V R D
<input type="checkbox"/> 1b8a_A		1 M Y R T H Y S S E
<input type="checkbox"/> SYD_METMA		1 . . . M S L A N L R T H Y T A D
<input type="checkbox"/> SYD_HALN1		1 M E N R T Y T A D
<input type="checkbox"/> SYD_THEAC		1 M L S I A E
<input type="checkbox"/> SYD_PYRHO		1 M I E K V Y C Q E
Bacteria:Proteobacteria		
<input type="checkbox"/> 110w_A		1 M R . R T H Y A G S
<input type="checkbox"/> 1i12_A		1 M . R T E Y C G Q

MultiSeq: Display and Edit Metadata

- External databases are **cross-referenced** to display **metadata** such as taxonomic information and enzymatic function
- Changes to metadata are preserved for future sessions
- **Electronic Notebook**: Notes and annotations about a specific sequence or structure can be added

The screenshot shows a metadata display window for the sequence SYDC_YEAST. The window is organized into several sections:

- Sequence Name:** SYDC_YEAST
- Source Organism:** Saccharomyces cerevisiae
- Common Name:** yeast
- EC Number:** 6.1.1.12
- EC Description:** Aspartate--tRNA ligase.
- Description:** Aspartyl-tRNA synthetase, cytoplasmic (EC 6.1.1.12) (Aspartate--tRNA ligase) (AspRS) - Saccharomyces cerevisiae (Baker's yeast).
- Data Sources:** sp=P04802,SYDC_YEAST; pdb=1EOV,A
- Lineage:** Eukaryota, Fungi, Ascomycota, Saccharomycotina, Saccharomycetes, Saccharomycetales
- Notes:** A large empty text area for adding notes and annotations.

At the bottom of the window are two buttons: **OK** and **Cancel**.

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