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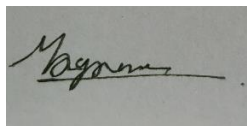
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## Abstract

One of the oldest illnesses known to affect humans, tuberculosis (TB), kills two million people annually and is still the main cause of death. However, *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, which is prevalent in aerosol droplets, deposits on lung alveolar surfaces, causing TB to be largely a pulmonary illness. Despite the fact that TB may damage the bone, the neurological system, and several other organ systems, its primary symptom is lung illness. There are a number of potential consequences as the illness advances from this point, most of which are determined by the host immune system's response. Researchers are identifying targets in *M. TB* that will aid in the development of these urgently required anti-tubercular medications using the whole *M. tuberculosis* genome structure as well as innovative genetic and physiological approaches.

In order to comprehend the function that a putative protein (OHO18223.1) discovered in *Mycobacterium TB* plays in the organism, the current study aims to investigate the structural and functional evaluation of the protein. Using an in-silico technique, homology modeling was utilized to build the 3D structure, and P fam, Interpro, and Uniport were used to profile the functions. The putative protein's primary and secondary structures were examined, and they revealed that it was stable, confined within the cytoplasm, and included a significant number of random coils. The 3D models that the SWISS-MODEL server predicted are 62.17 percent comparable to the template that received the best score. The SAVES v6.0 server and Prosa-web were used to assess the 3D model quality. The protein model has remarkable quality, as shown by the Ramachandran plot-based overall quality assessment results from Prosa-web, Verify3D, and Procheck. According to the websites P fam, Interpro, and Uniport, the putative protein is a cytoplasmic protein that breaks down unwanted, damaged, and improperly folded intracellular proteins, hence preserving the quality of protein in the cell. Finally, we proposed that more research into the structure and function of the protein may result in brand-new therapies.

**Keywords:** Function prediction; Structure assessment; *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*; Hypothetical protein; Homology modeling; novel Drug.

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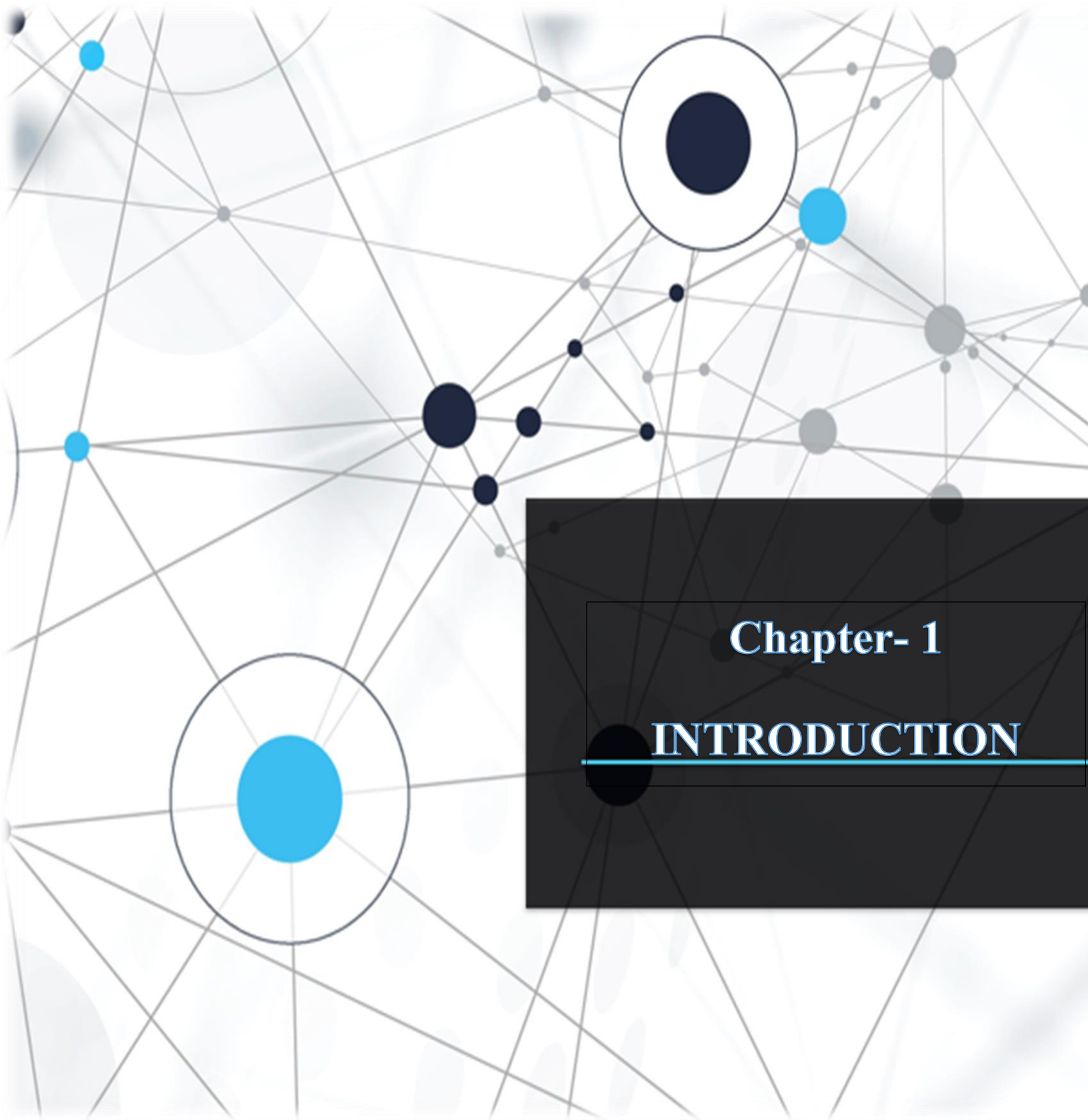
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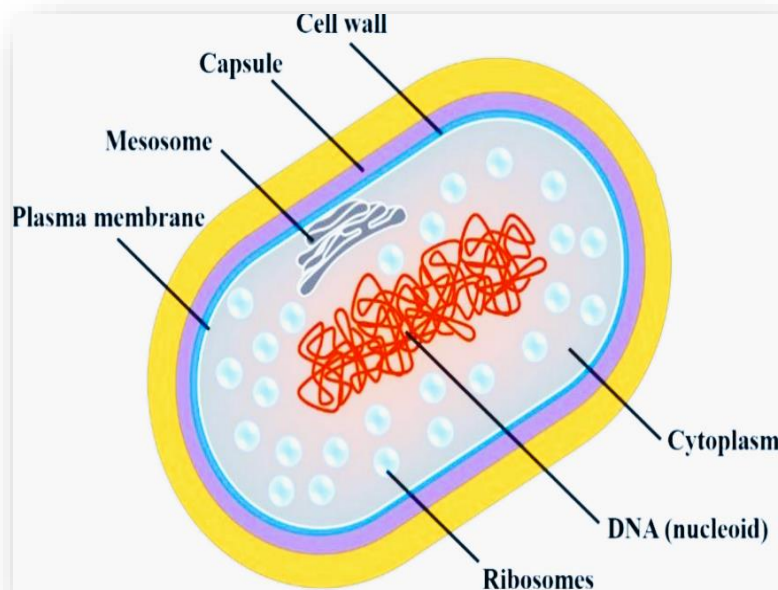
# INTRODUCTION

## Introduction

There is a lack of functional labelling for many recently decoded proteins despite the ever-increasing quantities of biological data, including raw data, such as genomic sequences, and functional genomic data from high-throughput studies. For instance, up to 40% of recognized proteins in the majority of bacterial genes are classified as "uncharacterized," "unknown," or "hypothetical" proteins [1]. HPs are predicted proteins, proteins that have not been demonstrated to exist by experimental protein chemistry data but are expected from nucleic acid patterns [2]. Scientists have used several computational techniques to develop several methods for forecasting protein function. These techniques have been made possible by utilizing series homology, phylogenetic analysis, interactions between proteins, interactions between proteins and ligands, similarities between active site residues, commonly conserved domains and motifs, phosphorylation sites, and patterns of gene expression. The conventional method of figuring out function, however, relies on sequence similarity and programs like BLAST, FASTA, and PSI-BLAST. There is no scientific or biological evidence for the existence of HPs, which are hypothetical proteins predicted from nucleic acid sequences. Moreover, these proteins share little in common with known, annotated proteins.

Only a small number of HPs have managed to endure over time, and they can be found in various evolutionary lineages. While HPs constitute a considerable portion of genes in sequenced microbial genomes, their complete functional characterization and detailed protein chemistry remain incomplete [3]. In HPs, there are two categories. Uncharacterized protein families (UPFs) make up one class, whereas domains of uncertain function make up the other (DUFs). Although their experimental structures have not been described or connected to any known genes, unknown proteins do indeed exist. Despite being proteins that have been experimentally identified, DUFs lack any structural or functional domains. They might have transmembrane sections or coiled-coil features that prevent the function from being assigned. Studying the function of proteins with unidentified roles has several advantages, including the evaluation of novel domains and motifs, the identification of extra protein pathways and cascades, and the finding of novel conformational orientations of 3-dimensional structures. Potential pharmacological targets may be discovered in these novel domains. Moreover, high throughput techniques, such as systematic synthetic lethal analysis, are employed, both microarray gene expression patterns and protein complex

identification by mass spectrometry are useful. You can also use phylogenetic analysis of proteins across numerous genes to determine function. Genes with comparable roles are apt to be co-expressed, which is why the wide, common technique of grouping gene-expression patterns [4] is so popular. Many protein domains engage in an organism's biochemical processes and have unclear roles; however, they may also be detrimental. The function of a protein can rarely alter due to changes such as insertions, deletions, and replacements. The study's primary aim is to find and categorize a protein region with an unknown function using computational technologies. The



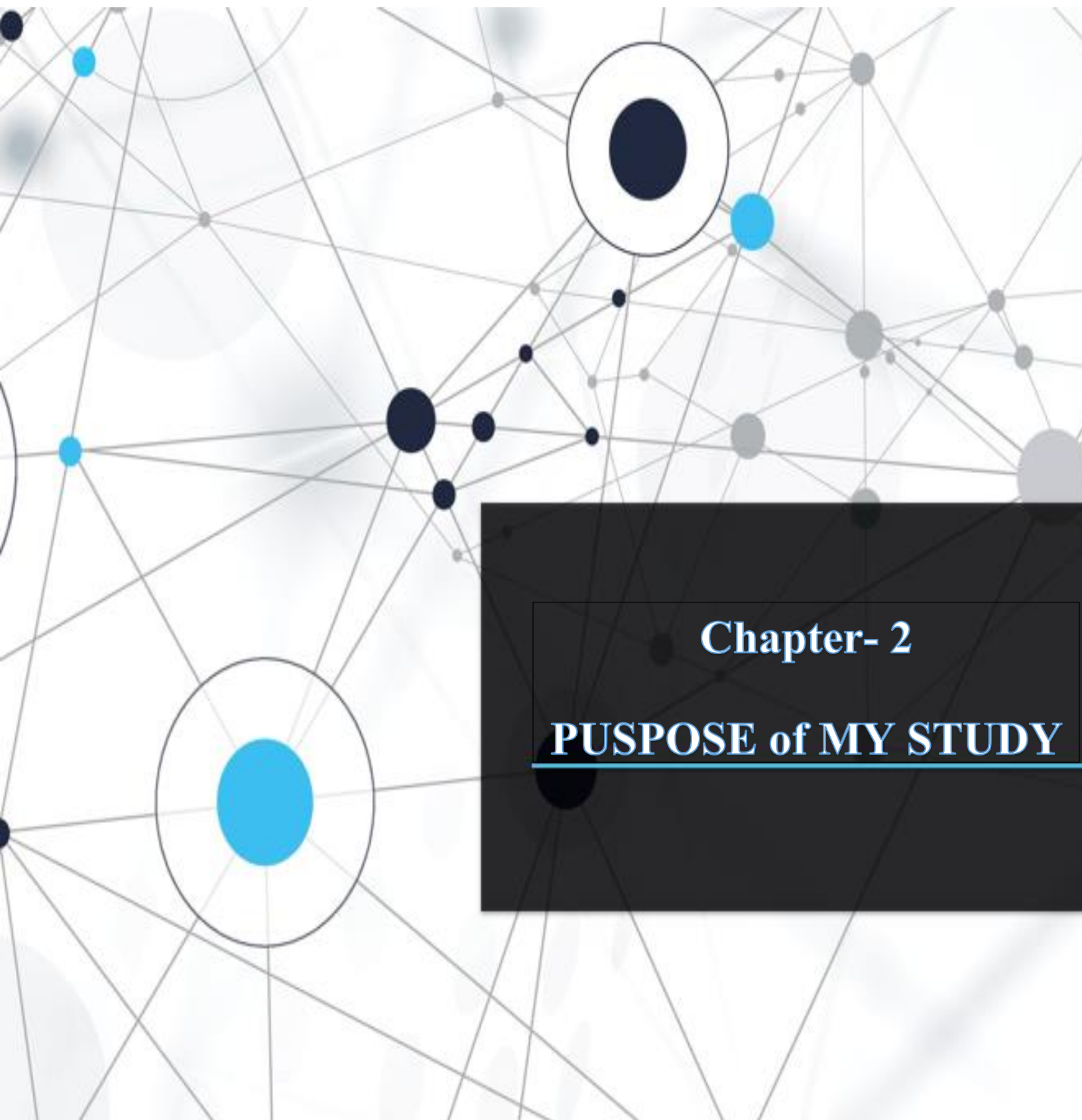
2020 Global Tuberculosis Survey revealed that there were 10 million new cases of tuberculosis (TB) in 2019. Out of these, 1.2 million were people who did not have HIV, while the remaining 2,08,000 were people who were HIV-positive. The BCG vaccine is the only one that has been developed to prevent tuberculosis, but it does not work very well in adults.

**Figure 1.1** Cell structure of *Mycobacterium Tuberculosis* [8]

Despite the fact that many different immunizations are still in the testing stage, there is no evidence to suggest that any of them are particularly effective. Even though it was one of the most promising potential vaccines, MVA85A was unable to offer HIV patients in a clinical study any significant protection from the illness. These proteins are predicted to be essential for MTB survival and growth in their chosen environments as well as for mediating interactions between mycobacterium and host cells, according to some annotation predictions for these proteins, which are expressed in response to the shifting microenvironments that the pathogen encounters [5]. Because they are a part of a vastly expanded family of protein families, the functions of these proteins are essential for expanding our understanding of this species.



Moreover, *Mycobacterium TB* shows signs of treatment resistance, which makes the condition harder to treat [6]. More than half of *M. tuberculosis*'s first complete genome, which was decoded in 1998, appears to contain potential proteins. Because the species has coevolved with other creatures and people, members of the *M. TB* complex have distinct harmful impacts despite having 99% of their DNA code. It has been explicitly hypothesised that a number of these "hypothetical" proteins, such as those in the ProGlu or Pro-Pro-Glu (PE/PPE) family, play a crucial role in the internal lifestyle of *Mycobacterium TB* and may aid in its survival under a variety of conditions. To anticipate the functions of many of the proteins that *Mycobacterium TB* is expected to generate, we created a functional interaction network for its proteins. In this research, we compared the network properties of hypothesised proteins to those of known proteins in order to identify statistically important classifications. Based on the expected molecular roles of these proteins, we also performed functional enrichment analysis on them. Numerous membrane-anchored genes implicated in lipid metabolism were found among the infectious mycobacterial genes that were examined. On the pathogenesis and pathogenicity of the bacteria, potential proteins that has high GC are believed to have a significant biochemical effect [7]. Expasy, Prot Param, NCBI CDD blast, P farm, Clustal omega, Sopma, Psipred, Procheck, SWISS-Model, Raptor X, Phyre 2, and ProSA -web server were among the computational tools that could be used to analyse the molecular and functional analysis of a new putative protein (BBW91 17915) in the current study. The outcomes of the in silico experiment were compared using three positive controls and three negative controls, respectively.



## Chapter- 2

# PUSPOSE of MY STUDY

## **Purpose of my study**

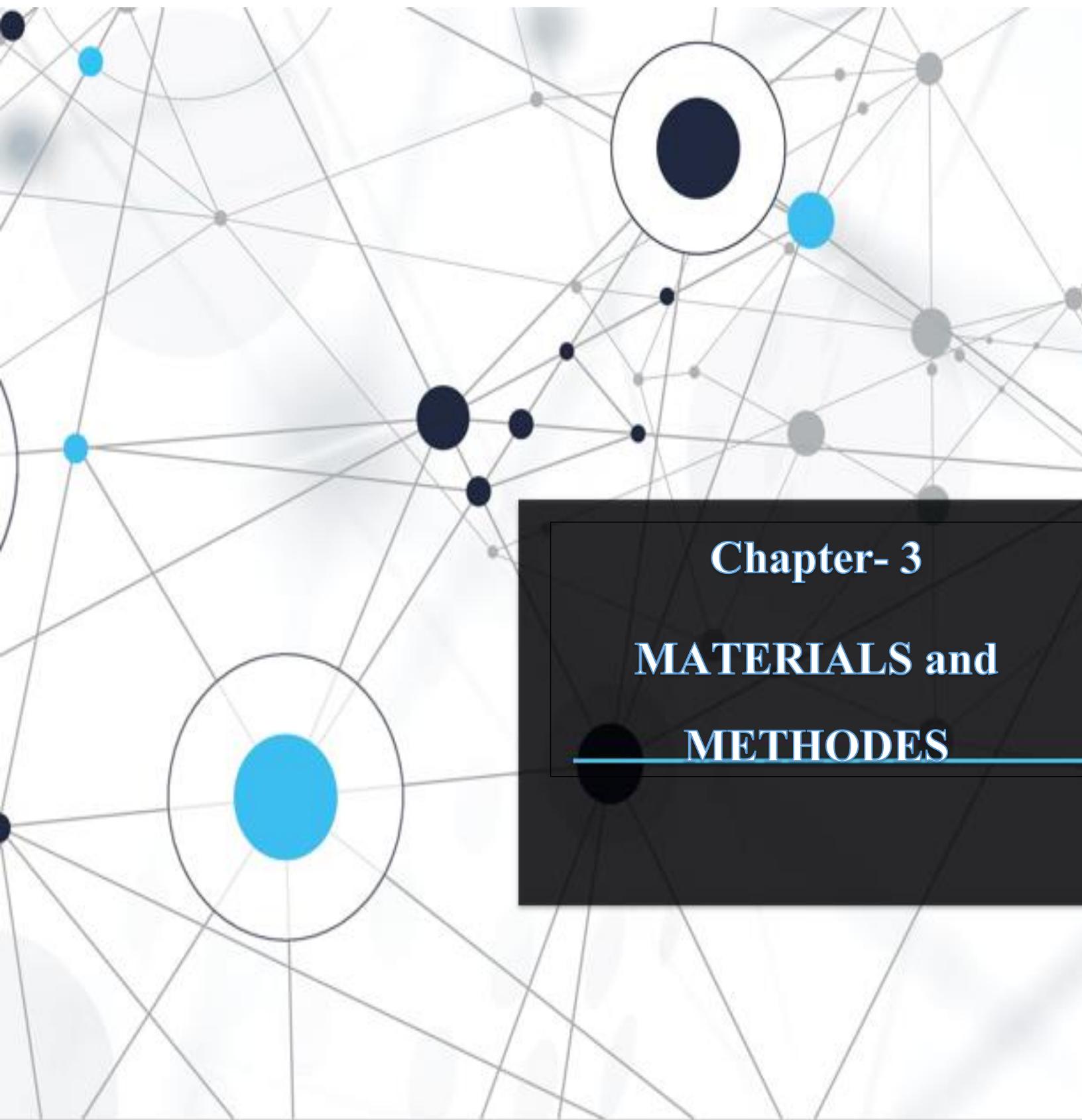
The goal of my research in 2019, there were ten million newly diagnosed instances of tuberculosis (TB), among them about 1.2 million people tested HIV- negative and 2.08,000 tested positive, according to the Global Tuberculosis Report, 2020. BCG, the as-yet-uncreated anti-TB antibody, isn't particularly effective against tuberculosis in adults. Despite the fact that many antibodies are still in the testing phase, notable survival has not yet been described. Additionally, *Mycobacterium TB* looks resistant to frequently prescribed medications, making the disease more difficult to treat [9].

Finding new therapeutic targets for *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* is made easier with the help of computational drug discovery research. His investigation of the MTBC genome using SMRT sequencing reveals that the genome is 99% identical and well conserved. Only 7 secreted proteins have been described to date, despite the fact that 51 *M. tuberculosis* secreted proteins have been identified using computational techniques. Bioinformatics methods have been used to study various groups of hypothetical proteins, including enzymes, transporters, receptors, and structural proteins. Few in silico methods have been used to forecast vaccine potential, ribosome binding sites, GTP binding regions, or any other properties of *M. TB* proteins, but many *M. tuberculosis* proteins have received examination of mutations, useful research, and structural forecast. To create new, highly immunogenic multi-epitope subunit vaccines or drugs against tuberculosis, reverse vaccine trials are being done.

### **2.1 This study's objective is to:**

- Discovery of new biotechnologically significant proteins as well as novel drug design.
- Prediction of the structure of hypothetical proteins.
- Determination of hypothetical proteins' functional roles.
- Describe the physiochemical characteristics of hypothetical proteins.

The significance of this entire work lies in its ability to shed light on the structure and function of the targeted *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* proteins.



**Chapter- 3**  
**MATERIALS and**  
**METHODES**

## Materials and Methods

This inquiry involves two successive phases. Homology Search, Physicochemical Parameters, Subcellular Localization and Stability Prediction, Identification and Retrieval of Unique HPs from Internet Databases, were all included in PHASE I. PHASE II involved the structural and functional analysis of the selected proteins, which included identifying their interactions with other proteins, classifying protein families, looking for signal peptides, homology modeling, and validating the 3D structures of the proteins. A list of the bioinformatics sources and instruments used to functionally annotate *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* (Accession No. **OHO18223.1**) HPs can be found in Supplementary Table 1.1

**Table 1.1** The datasets and bioinformatics tools used in this study's structural and functional investigation of the HP are listed below.

| Tools/Servers   | URL  | Function   |
|---|--|--|
| <b>A) Sequence Retrieval-<br/>Download FASTA of<br/>Target Protein</b><br><br><b>1. NCBI</b>        | <a href="https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/">https:// www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/</a>   | Sequence retrieval or selection of the hypothetical protein and download FASTA of target protein |
| <b>B) Determination of<br/>physicochemical<br/>Properties</b><br><b>1. ExPASy – ProtParam</b>       | <a href="http://web.expasy.org/protparam">http:// web.expasy.org/protparam</a>   | To analyze physicochemical characterization of Hypothetical Protein                              |
| <b>C) Subcellular<br/>Localization</b><br><br><b>1. PSLpred</b><br><b>2. SOSUI-GramN</b>            | <a href="https://webs.iiitd.edu.in/raghava/pslpred/submit.html">https:// webs.iiitd.edu.in/raghava/pslpred/submit.html</a><br><br><a href="https://harrier.nagahama-i-bio.ac.jp/sosui/sosuigramn/sosuigramnsubmit.htm">https:// harrier.nagahama-i-bio.ac.jp/sosui/sosuigramn/sosuigramnsubmit.htm</a> | Gram-negative bacteria's five primary subcellular localizations predicting.                      |
| <b>D) Function Predictions</b><br><br><b>1. Conserved domain<br/>database</b><br><b>2. INTERPRO</b> | <a href="http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Structure/cdd/wrpsb.cgi">http:// www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Structure/cdd/wrpsb.cgi</a>   | A method for looking for functional regions in a series and Family relationship identification.  |

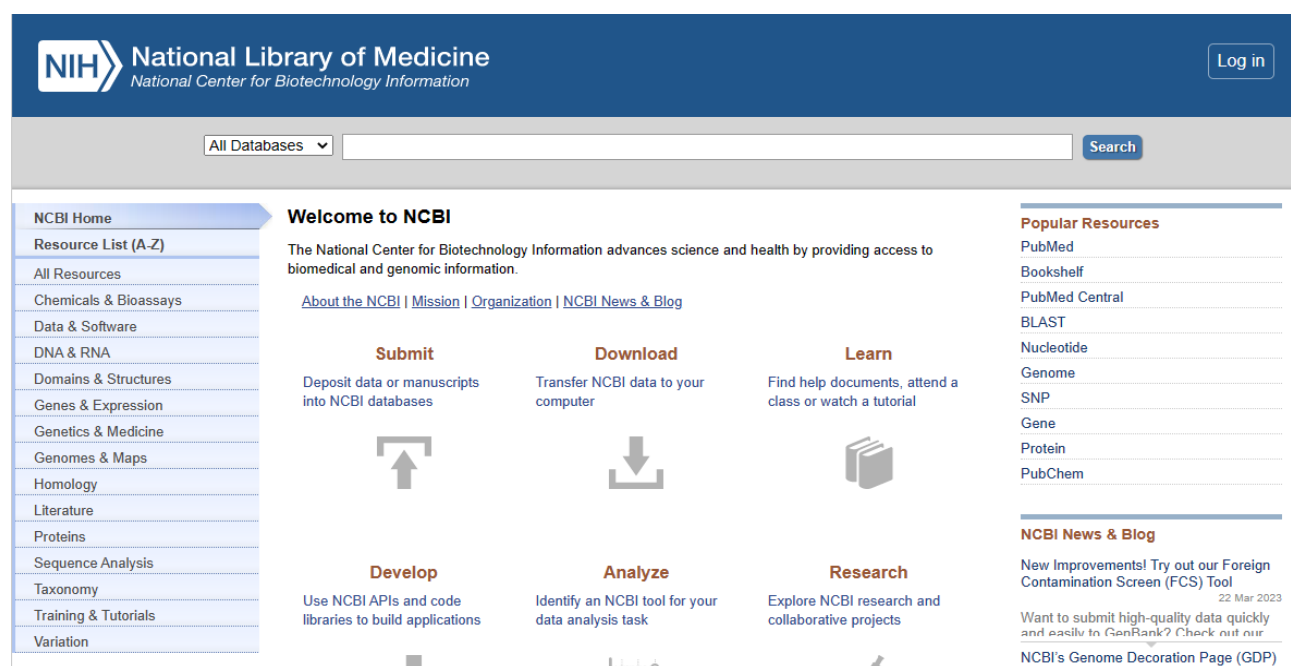
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| <p><b>3. Pfam</b></p>   | <p><a href="http://www.ebi.ac.uk/interpro/">http:// www.ebi.ac.uk/interpro/</a><br/><a href="http://pfam.xfam.org/">http:// pfam.xfam.org/</a></p>   |   |
| <p><b>E) Homology Searching</b><br/><b>1. PBLAST</b></p>  | <p><a href="https://blast.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Blast.cgi#">https://blast.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Blast.cgi#</a></p>   | <p>Searches for sequence similarity</p>   |
| <p><b>F) Multiple Sequence Alignment and Phylogenetic Tree Prediction</b><br/><b>1. Clustal Omega</b></p>                         | <p><a href="https://www.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/services/web_clustalo/toolform.ebi">https://www.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/services/web_clustalo/toolform.ebi</a></p>   | <p>Accomplishes multiple sequence alignment and phylogenetic tree prediction</p>  |
| <p><b>G) Secondary Structure Prediction</b><br/><b>1. PSIPRED</b><br/><b>2. SOPMA</b></p>   | <p><a href="http://bioinf.cs.ucl.ac.uk/psipred">http:// bioinf.cs.ucl.ac.uk/psipred</a><br/><a href="https://npsa-prabi.ibcp.fr/cgi-bin/npsa_automat.pl?page=/NPSA/npsa_sopma.html">https:// npsa-prabi.ibcp.fr/cgi-bin/npsa_automat.pl?page=/NPSA/npsa_sopma.html</a></p>   | <p>Accurately forecasts amino acids for a three-state secondary structure description of the secondary structure.</p>         |
| <p><b>H) Tertiary Structure Prediction</b><br/><b>1. SWISS-Model</b><br/><b>2. RaptorX</b><br/><b>3. Phyre2</b></p>               | <p><a href="https://swissmodel.expasy.org/interactive/7hXdrn/models/">https://swissmodel.expasy.org/interactive/7hXdrn/models/</a><br/><a href="http://raptorx6.uchicago.edu/ContactMap/">http://raptorx6.uchicago.edu/ContactMap/</a><br/><a href="http://www.sbg.bio.ic.ac.uk/~phyre2/html/page.cgi?id=index">http://www.sbg.bio.ic.ac.uk/~phyre2/html/page.cgi?id=index</a></p> | <p>Evaluate the model accuracy in the database, search for different blueprint designs and then dynamically build models.</p> |
| <p><b>I) 3DStructure Validation</b><br/><b>1. PROCHECK</b><br/><b>2. ProSA-web</b><br/><b>3. Verify3D</b><br/><b>4. ERRAT</b></p> | <p><a href="https://prosa.services.came.sbg.ac.at/prosa.php">https://prosa.services.came.sbg.ac.at/prosa.php</a><br/><a href="https://saves.mbi.ucla.edu/">https:// saves.mbi.ucla.edu/</a></p>  | <p>Validate using the structural analysis and verification service.</p>   |

## **PHASE I**

### **3.1 Sequence Retrieval or Selection of the Hypothetical Protein**

Uncharacterized *Mycobacterium TB* proteins were selected from the NCBI protein database ([https:// www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/)) using the search term "hypothetical proteins." Using blast analysis, it was possible to compare the degree of resemblance to other alleged fictitious proteins.

In this study, a putative *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* protein with 255 amino acid residues, accession number **OHO18223.1**, was employed. For further research, the protein's main sequence in FASTA format was obtained.



**Figure 3.1.1:** National Center for Biotechnology Information used for sequence retrieval

### **3.2 Physicochemical Properties**

The Protparam server from ExPASy was used to analyze physicochemical characterization ([http:// us.expasy.org/tools/protparam](http://us.expasy.org/tools/protparam)).

Molecular weight, predicted pI, the ratio of amino acids to atoms, the extinction coefficient, the expected half-life, and the instability index, (which measures the integrity of the protein structure; a score of 40 indicates that the protein is stable), aliphatic index, and GRAVY parameters were

calculated by ProtParam (if this score is negative, it is mine soluble in water; if it is positive, it is not soluble in water). To understand protein characteristics, use this resource.

ExPASy ProtParam Home | Contact

### ProtParam tool

ProtParam (References / Documentation) is a tool which allows the computation of various physical and chemical parameters for a given protein stored in Swiss-Prot or TrEMBL or for a user entered protein sequence. The computed parameters include the molecular weight, theoretical pI, amino acid composition, atomic composition, extinction coefficient, estimated half-life, instability index, aliphatic index and grand average of hydropathicity (GRAVY) (Disclaimer).

Please note that you may only fill out **one** of the following fields at a time.

Enter a Swiss-Prot/TrEMBL accession number (AC) (for example **P05130**) or a sequence identifier (ID) (for example **KPC1\_DROME**):

Or you can paste your own amino acid sequence (in one-letter code) in the box below:

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Figure 3.2.1 ExPASy's ProtParam tool

### 3.3 Subcellular Localization and Solubility Prediction

Gram-negative bacteria's five primary subcellular localizations are predicted using PSLpred ([https:// webs.iiitd.edu.in/raghava/pslpred/submit.html](https://webs.iiitd.edu.in/raghava/pslpred/submit.html)), an SVM -based method (cytoplasm, inner membrane, outer membrane, extracellular, and periplasm). This method employs a variety of SVMs based on the composition of 33 physicochemical characteristics, PSI-Blast evolutionary data, and the dipeptide makeup, protein-repelling characteristics, and features of amino acid composition. The overall prediction accuracy for these SVM modules is 6%, 86%, 83%, and 68%, respectively. Moreover, a hybrid approach-based SVM module has been developed based on all of the aforementioned characteristics of a protein. With a 91% total accuracy rate, the hybrid module outperforms all other methods currently in use for determining the intracellular location of bacterial proteins.



**PSLpred**  
*predicts subcellular localization of prokaryotic proteins*

**SUBMISSION FORM**

Name of the protein sequence [Optional]

Paste a protein sequence

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>OH018223.1 hypothetical protein BBW91_17915 [Mycobacterium tuberculosis]  
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Amino acids in single letter code  
Standard sequence format[PIR/FASTA/EMBL etc.]

Choose a type of prediction approach

- Amino acid composition Based <sup>1</sup>
- Properties Based <sup>2</sup>
- Dipeptide composition Based <sup>3</sup>
- PSL-BLAST <sup>4</sup>

**Figure 3.3. 1** PSLpred subcellular localization predictor

Gram-negative bacteria's distribution of proteins within cells is predicted with high efficiency using SOSUI -GramN ([https:// harrier.nagahama-i-bio.ac.jp/sosui/sosuigramn/sosuigramn-submit.htm](https://harrier.nagahama-i-bio.ac.jp/sosui/sosuigramn/sosuigramn-submit.htm)). The method only employs the molecular properties of the N- and C-terminal signal sequences as well as the complete sequence and does not require the sequence similarity information of any known sequences. For the localization of extracellular, outer, periplasmic, inner, and cytoplasmic mediums, the prediction system's accuracy was 92.3%, 89.4%, 86.4%, 97.5%, and 93.5%, respectively.

## SOSUI<sub>GramN</sub>: Submit protein sequences

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Enter a title or comment for the sequence :

None

Enter your sequence with one-letter symbol or MultiFASTA (by copy & paste) :

(Minimum: 60 a.a., Maximum: 5000 a.a.)

```
>OH018223.1 hypothetical protein BBW91_17915  
[Mycobacterium tuberculosis]  
MADKSKRPPRFDLKSADGSFGRLVQIGGTTIVVVFVAVLVFYIVTSRDDKKD  
GVAGPGDAVRTSSKLVLT  
QPGTSNPKAVVSFYEDFLCPACGIFERGFPGPTVSKLVDIGAVAADYTHVAIL  
DSASNQHYSSRAAAAAYC  
VADESIEAFRRFHAALFSKDIQPAELGKDFPDNARLIELAREAGVVGKVPDC  
INSGKYIEKVDGLAAAVN  
VHATPTVRVNGTEYEWSTPAALVAKIKEIVGDVPGIDSAAATATS
```

To execute the query, press this button :

To clear the form, press this button :

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Figure 3.3. 2 SOSUI-GramN subcellular localization predictor

## PHASE- II

### 3.4 Conserved domains search and Function prediction by Conserved domains analysis

In proteins' chemical development, protein domains can be grouped into an evolutionary taxonomy and viewed as units. This list is attempted to be assembled, and similar domain models are arranged in a hierarchical manner by the Conserved Domain Database (CDD) at NCBI.

The CDD program is used to do the conserved domain analysis, and it may be found online at ([www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Structure/cdd/wrpsb.cgi](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Structure/cdd/wrpsb.cgi)). P fam ([http:// pfamlegacy.xfam.org/](http://pfamlegacy.xfam.org/)), Interpro Scan ([http:// www.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/services/web/toolform.ebi?tool=iprscan5](http://www.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/services/web/toolform.ebi?tool=iprscan5)]), and other tools are used for domain analysis as well as Uniport ([www.uniprot.org/blast](http://www.uniprot.org/blast)).

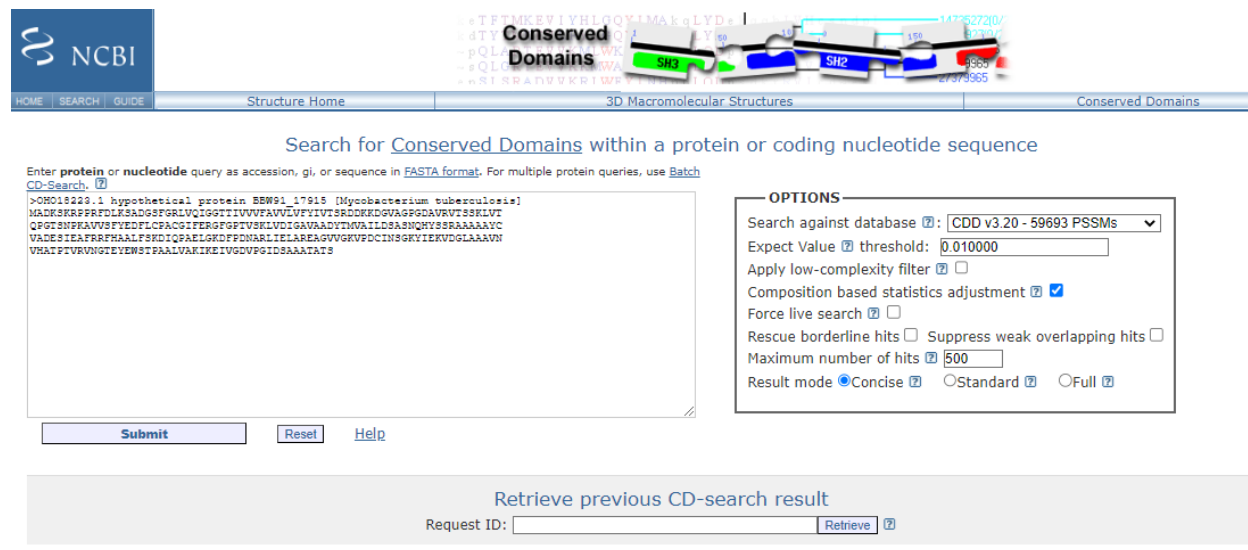


Figure 3.4.1: National Center for Biotechnology Information server for search conserved domain

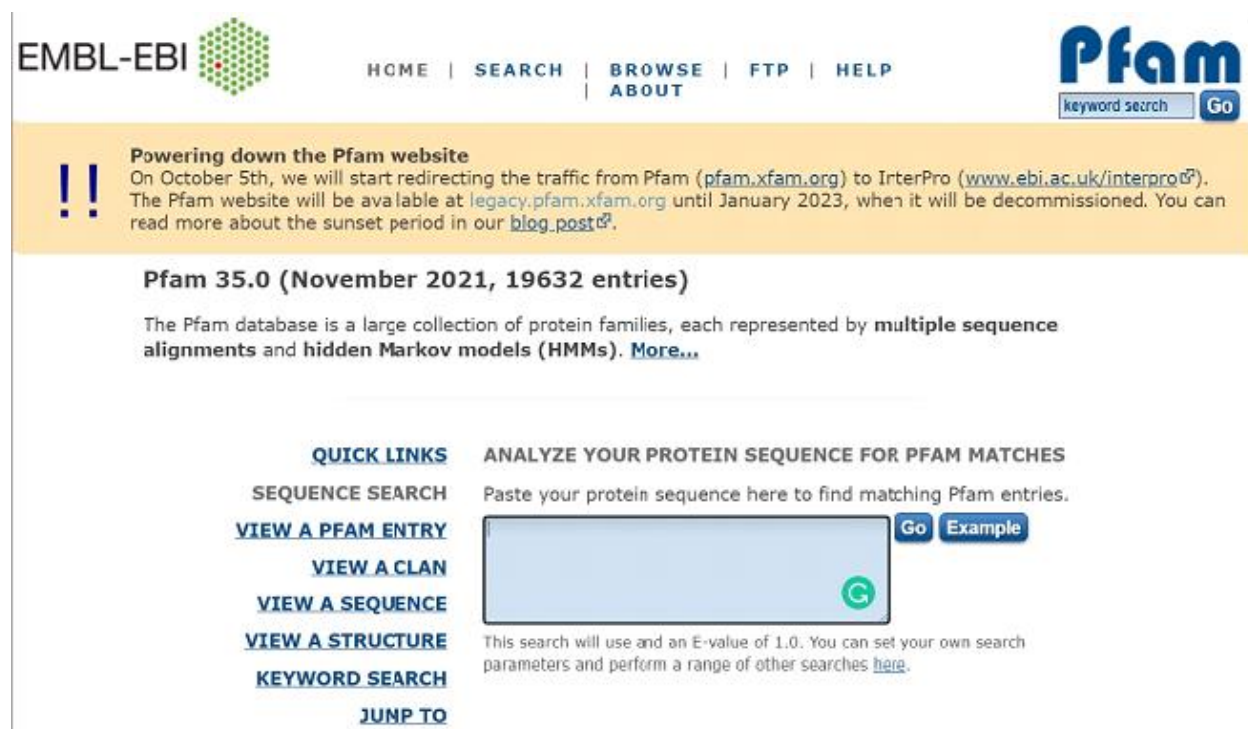
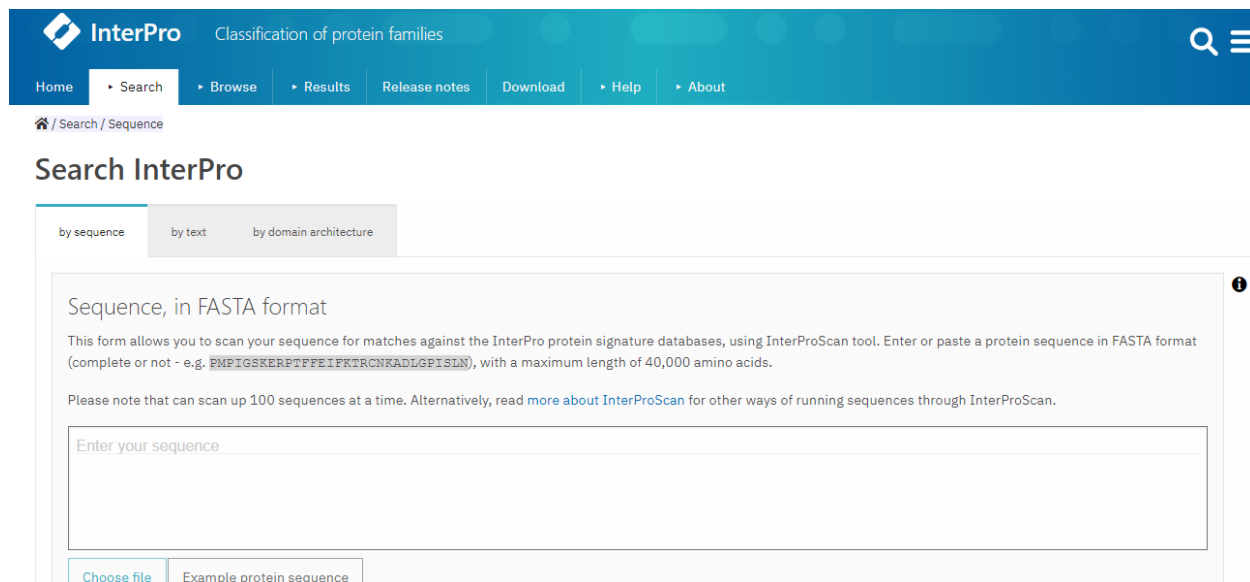


Figure 3.4.2: EMBL-EBI Pfam server for Function prediction

Functional analysis of proteins is provided by Interpro ([https:// www.ebi.ac.uk/interpro](https://www.ebi.ac.uk/interpro)), which classifies proteins into families and forecasts their domains and important sites. In order to categorize proteins in this way, the Interpro collaboration uses prediction models, known as signatures, supplied by several databases (referred to as member databases) [10].



The screenshot shows the InterPro website's search interface. The header includes the InterPro logo and the text 'Classification of protein families'. A navigation menu contains links for Home, Search, Browse, Results, Release notes, Download, Help, and About. Below the header, the page title is 'Search InterPro'. There are three tabs: 'by sequence' (selected), 'by text', and 'by domain architecture'. The main content area is titled 'Sequence, in FASTA format' and contains instructions: 'This form allows you to scan your sequence for matches against the InterPro protein signature databases, using InterProScan tool. Enter or paste a protein sequence in FASTA format (complete or not - e.g. `EMPIGSRERPTFFEIFKTRCNKADLGPTISLN`), with a maximum length of 40,000 amino acids. Please note that can scan up 100 sequences at a time. Alternatively, read [more about InterProScan](#) for other ways of running sequences through InterProScan.' Below the text is a large text input field with the placeholder 'Enter your sequence'. At the bottom left of the form, there are two buttons: 'Choose file' and 'Example protein sequence'.

**Figure 3.4.3** InterPro Classification of protein families

### 3.5 Homology Searching

The most popular and effective method for characterizing newly found genomes is to search for nucleotide homology, usually with BLAST. By finding excess similarity, a numerically significant similarity that indicates common lineage, sequence similarity searches can discover "homologous" proteins or genes. More than 80% of metagenomics sequence samples commonly display substantial homology to proteins in sequence databases because of the extent of contemporary protein sequence databases. To improve accessibility and performance, BLAST's public interface at the NCBI site ([http:// www. ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/blast](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/blast)) was recently rebuilt.

The screenshot displays the NCBI BLAST web interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the NIH logo and 'National Library of Medicine' text. Below this, the page title is 'BLAST® » blastp suite'. The main content area is titled 'Standard Protein BLAST'. It features several sections:
 

- Enter Query Sequence:** A text input field containing a protein sequence: 'VADESIEAFRRFHAALFSKDIQPAELGKDFPDNARLIELAREAGVVGKVPDC INSGKYIEKVDGLAAWN VHATPTVRVNGTEYEWSTPAALVAKIKEIVGDVPGIDSAATATS'. There are also fields for 'Query subrange' (From and To) and an option to 'Or, upload file'.
- Job Title:** A text input field with the value 'OHO18223.1 hypothetical protein BBW01\_17915...'. Below it is a prompt to 'Enter a descriptive title for your BLAST search'.
- Choose Search Set:** Radio buttons for 'Standard databases (nr etc.):' (selected) and 'Experimental databases'. A button for 'Try experimental clustered nr database' is also present. There is an option to 'Compare' standard and experimental databases.
- Standard:** A dropdown menu for 'Database' set to 'Non-redundant protein sequences (nr)'. There is an 'Organism' field with a prompt 'Enter organism name or id—completions will be suggested' and an 'Add organism' button. There are also checkboxes for 'Exclude' options: 'Models (XM/XP)', 'Non-redundant RefSeq proteins (WP)', and 'Uncultured/environmental sample sequences'.
- Program Selection:** Radio buttons for different algorithms: 'Quick BLASTP (Accelerated protein-protein BLAST)', 'blastp (protein-protein BLAST)' (selected), 'PSI-BLAST (Position-Specific Iterated BLAST)', 'PHI-BLAST (Pattern Hit Initiated BLAST)', and 'DELTA-BLAST (Domain Enhanced Lookup Time Accelerated BLAST)'. A prompt 'Choose a BLAST algorithm' is at the bottom.

**Figure 3.5.1:** NCBI BLAST Tool Webpage for Protein blast

### 3.6 Multiple nucleotide matching and Predicted Phylogenetic tree

Multiple sequence alignment is typically accomplished using Clustal series programs. The use of the mBed method for building guide-trees allows it to manage exceptionally large quantities (many tens of thousands) of DNA/RNA or protein sequences. With the help of planted guidance trees and HMM profile-profile methods, the brand-new multiple sequence alignment software Clustal Omega creates arrangements involving three or more [11]. This method has been one of the most widely used in bioinformatics for decades because it is a prerequisite for the majority of phylogenetic or comparative analysis of homologous genes or proteins.

**Clustal Omega**

Input form | Web services | Help & Documentation | Bioinformatics Tools FAQ | Feedback

Tools > Multiple Sequence Alignment > Clustal Omega

**Service Announcement**  
The new Job Dispatcher Services beta website is now available at <https://wwwdev.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/jdispatcher>. We'd love to hear your feedback about the new webpages!

## 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

PROTEIN

sequences in any supported format:

```
>OHO18223.1 hypothetical protein BBW91_17915 [Mycobacterium tuberculosis]
MADKSKRPPRFDLKSADGSFGRLVQIGTTIVVFAVLFYIVTSRDDKKGVAGPGDAVRVTSSKLV
OPGTSNPKAVVSFYEDFLCPACGIFERGFPTVSKLVDIGAWAADYTMVAILDASNOHYSSRAAAAAYC
VADESIEAFRRFHAALFSKDIQPAELGKDFPDNARLIELAREAGVVGKVPDCINSGKYIEKVDGLAAAVN
VHATPTVRVNGTEYEWSTPAALVAKIKEIVGDVPGIDSAATATS
```

Or, upload a file:  No file chosen [Use a example sequence](#) | [Clear sequence](#) | [See more example inputs](#)

**STEP 2 - Set your parameters**

OUTPUT FORMAT

ClustalW with character counts

The default settings will fulfil the needs of most users.

(Click here, if you want to view or change the default settings.)

**STEP 3 - Submit your job**

Be notified by email (Tick this box if you want to be notified by email when the results are available)

**Figure 3.6.1** Clustal Omega tools Used for Multiple Sequence Alignment

### 3.7 Secondary Structure Determination

The URL for this page is ([https://npsa-prabi.ibcp.fr/cgi-bin/npsa\\_automat.pl?page=/NPSA/npsa\\_sopma.html](https://npsa-prabi.ibcp.fr/cgi-bin/npsa_automat.pl?page=/NPSA/npsa_sopma.html)). Alignment-Based Self-Adjusted Forecast Technique It has been proposed that SOPMA could improve predictions of protein secondary structure. In a collection of 126 sequences of non-homologous (less than 25% identical) proteins, SOPMA correctly forecasts 69.5% of using amino acids to describe the tertiary structure in three states (-helix, -sheet, and coil) [12]. Users

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can enter a protein sequence, make a projection of their choice, and receive the prediction results both textually by e-mail and visually on the web using the PSIPRED technique for forecasting protein shape ([http:// bioinf.cs.ucl.ac.uk/psipred/](http://bioinf.cs.ucl.ac.uk/psipred/)).

The screenshot shows the SOMPA Secondary Structure Prediction Method web interface. At the top, there is a header for PRABI-GERLAND RHONE-ALPES BIOINFORMATIC POLE GERLAND SITE, Institute of Biology and Protein Chemistry. Below the header is a navigation bar with links for Home, Teaching, Publications, Links, and Contact. The main content area is titled "SOPMA SECONDARY STRUCTURE PREDICTION METHOD" and includes a sub-header "[Abstract] [NPS@ help] [Original server]". There is a form for entering a protein sequence, with a "Sequence name (optional):" field and a "Paste a protein sequence below:" field. The protein sequence is: MADKSKRPPRFDLKLSADGFGRLVQGGTTIVVFAVVLVYIVTSRDDKK DGVAAGPGDAVRTSSKLVIT QPGTSNPKAVVSFYEDFLCPACGIFERGFPTVSKLVDIGAVAADYTMVAI LDSASNQHYSSRAAAAAYC VADESIEAFRRFHAALFSKDIQPAELGKDFPDNARLIELAREAGVVGKVPD CINSKYIEKVDGLAAAVN VHATPTVRVNGTEYEWSTPAALVAKIKEIVGDVPGIDSAATATS. Below the sequence field are "Output width:" (70), "SUBMIT", and "CLEAR" buttons. There is also a "Parameters" section with "Number of conformational states:" (4 (Helix, Sheet, Turn, Coil)), "Similarity threshold:" (8), and "Window width:" (17). At the bottom, there is a footer with "User: public Last modification time: Mon Mar 15 15:24:33 2021. Current time: Tue Mar 28 23:44:50 2023".

Figure 3.7. 1 SOMPA Server used for secondary structure prediction

The screenshot shows the PSIPRED server tool for Secondary structure prediction. The page is titled "Function Prediction" and has a checkbox for "FFPred 3 (Eukaryotic Function Prediction)" with a "Help..." link. Below this is a "Submission details" section. The "Protein Sequence" field contains: QPGTSNPKAVVSFYEDFLCPACGIFERGFPTVSKLVDIGAVAADYTMVAILDASNQHYSSRAAAAAYC VADESIEAFRRFHAALFSKDIQPAELGKDFPDNARLIELAREAGVVGKVPDCINSKYIEKVDGLAAAVN VHATPTVRVNGTEYEWSTPAALVAKIKEIVGDVPGIDSAATATS. Below the sequence field is a "Help..." link and a note: "If you wish to test these services follow this link to retrieve a test fasta sequence." There is a "Job name" field with the value "OHO18223.1", an "Email (optional)" field with the value "Email (optional)", and "Reset" and "Submit" buttons at the bottom.

Figure 3.7. 2: PSIPRED server tool for Secondary structure prediction

### 3.8 Three-dimensional Structure Prediction

Users of the SWISS-MODEL Repository can evaluate the model accuracy in the database, search for different design layouts, and interactively construct models using SWISS-MODEL server (<http://swissmodel.expasy.org/workspace/>). The first completely automatic protein homology modelling tool was SWISS-MODEL and it has advanced continuously over the past 25 years (25–30). The modelling of homo- and heterogenic compounds using the amino acid patterns of the contact partners as a beginning point has recently been added to its modelling capabilities.

The screenshot shows the SWISS-MODEL web interface. At the top, there are logos for SIB, BIOZENTRUM, and the University of Basel. The main heading is 'SWISS-MODEL' with 'Modelling Repository' on the right. The main content area is titled 'Start a New Modelling Project'. It features a 'Target Sequence(s):' section with a gear icon and a 'Target' label. Three target sequences are listed: 100, 200, and 255. Below this are 'Add Hetero Target' and 'Reset' buttons. There are input fields for 'Project Title' (containing 'Untitled Project') and 'Email' (containing 'Optional'). Two large blue buttons, 'Search For Templates' and 'Build Model', are positioned below the input fields. At the bottom of the form, a small red text line reads: 'By using the SWISS-MODEL server, you agree to comply with the following terms of use and to cite the corresponding articles.'

You are currently not logged in - to take advantage of the workspace, please [log in](#) or [create an account](#).  
(There is no requirement to create an account to use any part of SWISS-MODEL, however you will gain the benefit of seeing a list of your previous modelling projects here.)

Modelling Projects in Session

Untitled Project

255 residues. **50** templates were found. **3** models have been built.

Figure 3.8.1 SWISS-MODEL server for predicting 3D structure of Hypothetical protein

### 3.9 Tertiary Structure Validation and Model Quality Assessment

The modelled **OHO18223.1** was validated using the structural analysis and verification service **SAVES v6.0** (<https://saves.mbi.ucla.edu/>). The principal structural model was checked using the **ERRAT**, **Verify3D**, and **PROCHECK** tools, which are all a part of the structural assessment and



confirmation server SAVESv6.0 [13], to look for problems with the structure's three-dimensional representation. ProSA, also known as protein structure analysis, is a method used to improve and verify experimental protein structures as well as forecast and model protein structure. Also, the **PROCHECK** software tool provides a complete analysis of a protein structure's stereochemistry. Its outputs contain a complete residue-by-residue listing as well as a variety of graphs in PostScript format.

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To run any or all programs:  
upload your structure, in PDB format only

Choose File | No file chosen

Run programs

## References

### ERRAT

- Reference: Verification of protein structures: patterns of nonbonded atomic interactions, Colovos C and Yeates TO, 1993.
- C++ software

### VERIFY 3D

- Profile Search Software [Bowie et al., 1991, Luethy et al., 1992].
- DSSP original and Wikipedia

### PROVE

- Reference: Deviations from standard atomic volumes as a quality measure for protein crystal structures, Pontius J, Richelle J, Wodak SJ. 1996

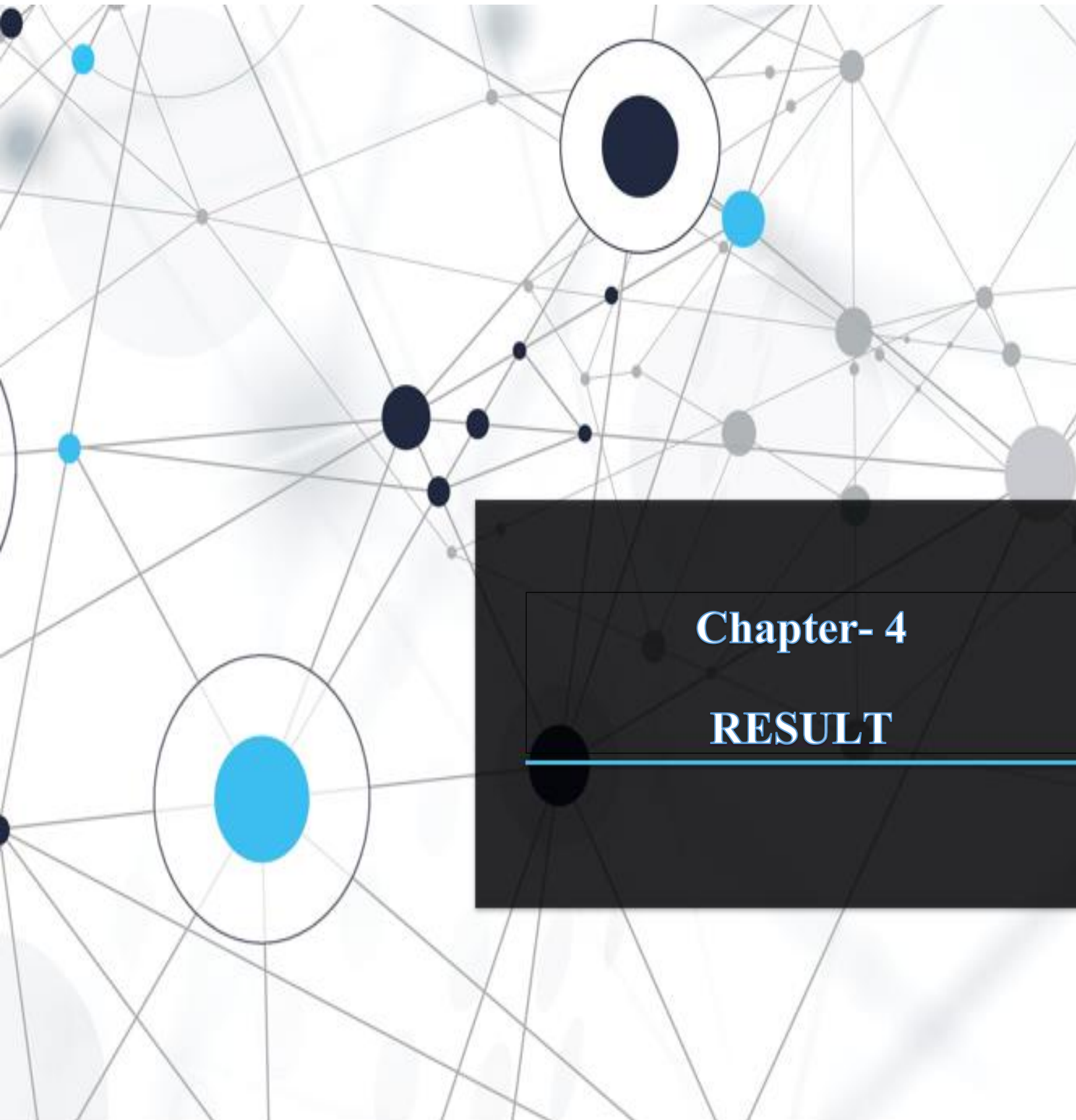
### PROCHECK

- PROCHECK source information
- Result analysis
- from Protein Structures
- Original references

### WHATCHECK

- WHATCHECK documentation and source  
For questions about WHATCHECK results, please email the creator: vriendgert@gmail.com

**Figure 3.9. 1** SAVESv6.0 was analyzed in order to locate faults in the 3D structure



**Chapter- 4**  
**RESULT**

## Result

### 4.1 Sequence retrieval

A hypothetical protein sequence was chosen at random from the NCBI database using search term “Hypothetical Protein of *Mycobacterium Tuberculosis*” and the resulting protein sequence is shown below.

GenBank: **OHO18223.1**

>**OHO18223.1 hypothetical protein BBW91\_17915 [Mycobacterium tuberculosis]**

MADKSKRPPRFDLKSADGSFGRLVQIGGTTIVVVFVAVVLVFIYVTSRDDKKDGVAGPGD  
AVRVTSSKLVTPGTSPKAVVSFYEDFLCPACGIFERGFPTVSKLVDIGAVAADYTM  
VAILDSASNQHYSSRAAAAAYCVADESIEAFRRFHAALFSKDIQPAELGKDFPDNARLIE  
LAREAGVVGKVPDCINSGKYIEKVDGLAAAVNVHATPTVRVNGTEYEWSTPAALVAKI  
KEIVGDVPGIDSAAATATS

### 4.2 Physicochemical properties analysis

For the hypothetical protein **OHO18223.1**, the ProtParam tool evaluated a number of physicochemical properties, which are shown in the table below.

**Table 4.2.1 physicochemical properties of hypothetical protein**

| Accession number | Number of amino acids | Molecular weight | Estimated halflife | Theoretical pI | Asp + Glu | Arg + Lys | Aliphatic index | Instability index | Grand average of hydropathicity (GRAVY) |
|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-------------------|---|
| OHO18223.1       | 255                   | 26861.54         | 30 hr              | 5.68           | 30        | 27        | 89.53           | 26.64             | 0.097                                   |

It was anticipated that the protein would have 255 amino acids, have a 26861.54 molecular weight and have a GRAVY score of 0.097, which indicates that it is water soluble. With a calculated instability index (II) of 26.64, the protein falls under the steady category. The protein is fragile if the protein instability score is higher than 40. The aliphatic index as determined is 89.53.

Alanine (14.1%) contained the highest concentration of amino acid residue. The sequence has

Total amount of molecules that are negatively charged (Asp+Glu): 30

Total amount of molecules that are positively charged (Arg+Lys): 27

### 4.3 Subcellular Localization Analysis

The hypothetical protein’s subcellular location reveals details about its biological function. It should be beneficial in the process of creating a medication to ward off the target protein.

With an estimated accuracy of around 71.1% the PSLpred server suggested a cytoplasmic protein—a protein found within the cytoplasm of a cell—as the target protein’s subcellular location.

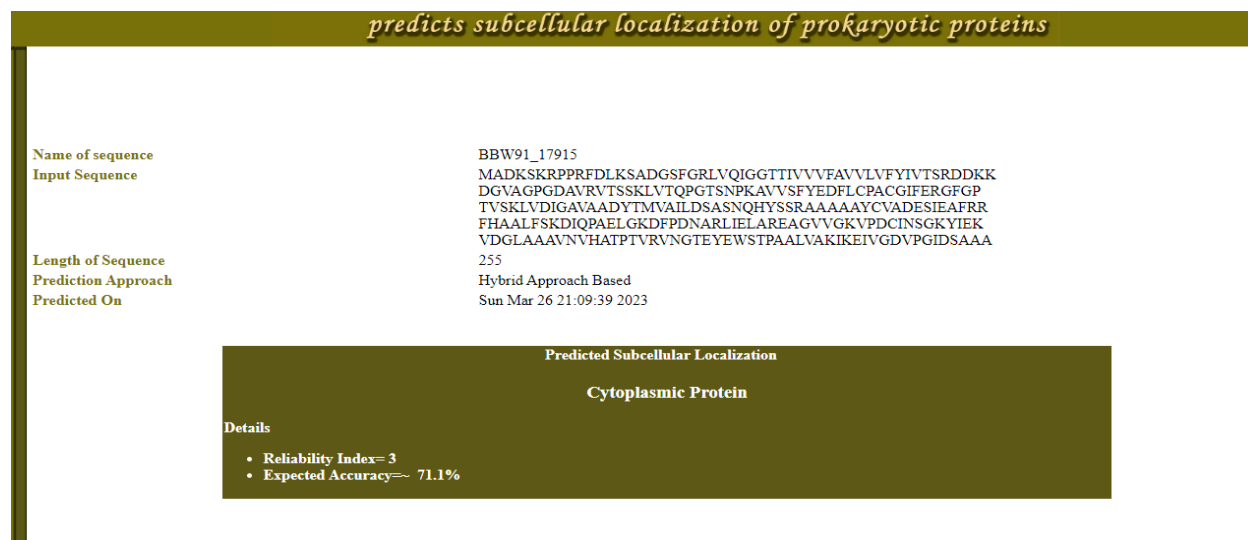


Figure 4.3.1 PSLpred subcellular localization result

The SOSUIGramN program states that the hypothetical is localized within the inner membrane of the cell.

### SOSUI<sub>GramN</sub> Result

| No.  | seg.Length | subcellular Localization site | ID   |
|------|------------|-------------------------------|------|
| 0001 | 255a.a.    | IM (inner membrane)           | None |

Figure 4.3.2 SOSUI-GramN subcellular localization result

## 4.4 Homology Searching

The search for the homology of Hypothetical protein using the well-known BLASTp tools from NCBI. The top 10 results from a homology search are shown in the table below.

Job Title: Protein Sequence  
 RID: 27R28GGD016 Search expires on 03-30 14:35 pm Download All  
 Program: BLASTP Citation  
 Database: nr See details  
 Query ID: Icl|Query\_102407  
 Description: unnamed protein product  
 Molecule type: amino acid  
 Query Length: 255  
 Other reports: Distance tree of results Multiple alignment MSA viewer

Filter Results  
 Organism: only top 20 will appear exclude  
 Type common name, binomial, taxid or group name  
 + Add organism  
 Percent Identity: [ ] to [ ] E value: [ ] to [ ] Query Coverage: [ ] to [ ]  
 Filter Reset

Compare these results against the new Clustered nr database BLAST

Descriptions Graphic Summary Alignments Taxonomy

Sequences producing significant alignments Download Select columns Show 10

| Description   | Scientific Name                    | Max Score | Total Score | Query Cover | E value | Per. Ident | Acc. Len | Accession      |
|---|------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|---------|------------|----------|----------------|
| mycothiol-dependent reductase [Mycobacterium tuberculosis]          | Mycobacterium tuberculosis         | 514       | 514         | 100%        | 0.0     | 99.81%     | 273      | WP_193566435.1 |
| mycothiol-dependent reductase [Mycobacterium tuberculosis complex]  | Mycobacterium tuberculosis complex | 514       | 514         | 100%        | 0.0     | 100.00%    | 255      | WP_003415010.1 |
| mycothiol-dependent reductase [Mycobacterium tuberculosis]          | Mycobacterium tuberculosis         | 513       | 513         | 100%        | 0.0     | 99.81%     | 255      | WP_057152805.1 |
| conserved hypothetical protein [Mycobacterium tuberculosis CDC1551] | Mycobacterium tuberculosis CDC1551 | 513       | 513         | 100%        | 0.0     | 99.81%     | 281      | AAK47373.1     |
| mycothiol-dependent reductase [Mycobacterium tuberculosis]          | Mycobacterium tuberculosis         | 513       | 513         | 100%        | 0.0     | 99.81%     | 255      | WP_242302787.1 |
| u0002a [Mycobacterium tuberculosis]                                 | Mycobacterium tuberculosis         | 513       | 513         | 100%        | 0.0     | 99.81%     | 299      | AAA50980.1     |
| mycothiol-dependent reductase [Mycobacterium tuberculosis]          | Mycobacterium tuberculosis         | 513       | 513         | 100%        | 0.0     | 99.81%     | 255      | WP_031725090.1 |
| mycothiol-dependent reductase [Mycobacterium tuberculosis]          | Mycobacterium tuberculosis         | 513       | 513         | 100%        | 0.0     | 99.81%     | 255      | WP_057359421.1 |
| mycothiol-dependent reductase [Mycobacterium tuberculosis]          | Mycobacterium tuberculosis         | 513       | 513         | 100%        | 0.0     | 99.81%     | 255      | WP_057381809.1 |
| mycothiol-dependent reductase [Mycobacterium tuberculosis]          | Mycobacterium tuberculosis         | 513       | 513         | 100%        | 0.0     | 99.81%     | 255      | WP_031739101.1 |

Figure 4.4.1 Top 10 homology results from BLASTp tools

## 4.5 Multiple sequence alignment and phylogenetic Tree prediction

In the figure below the top 10 multiple sequence alignment and Phylogenetic analysis shown. Here out target protein **OHO18223.1** is more similar to **WP\_003415010.1**

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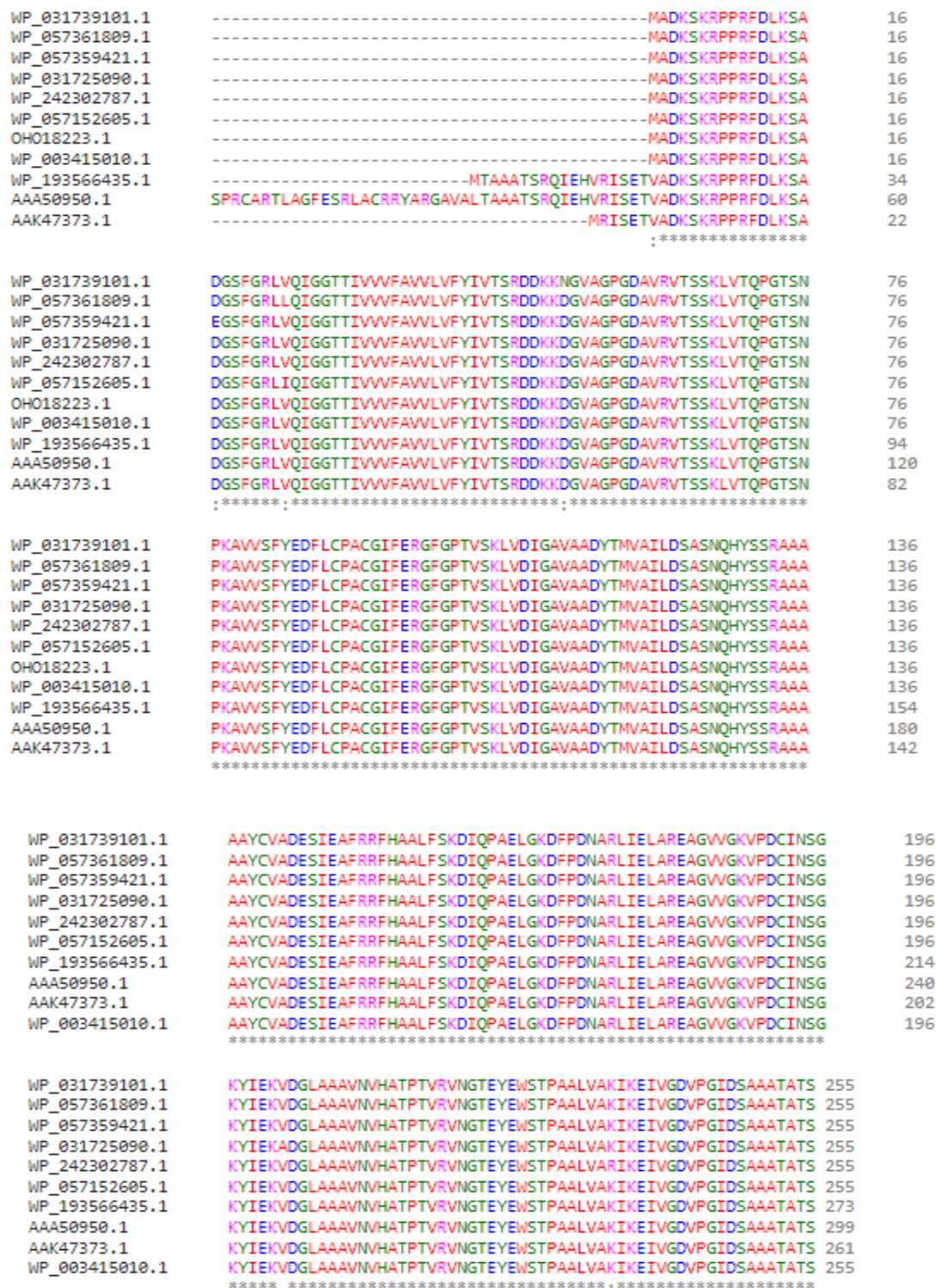


Figure 4.5.1: Top 10 multiple sequence alignment obtained by using Clustal Omega tools

## Phylogenetic Tree

This is a Neighbour-joining tree without distance corrections.

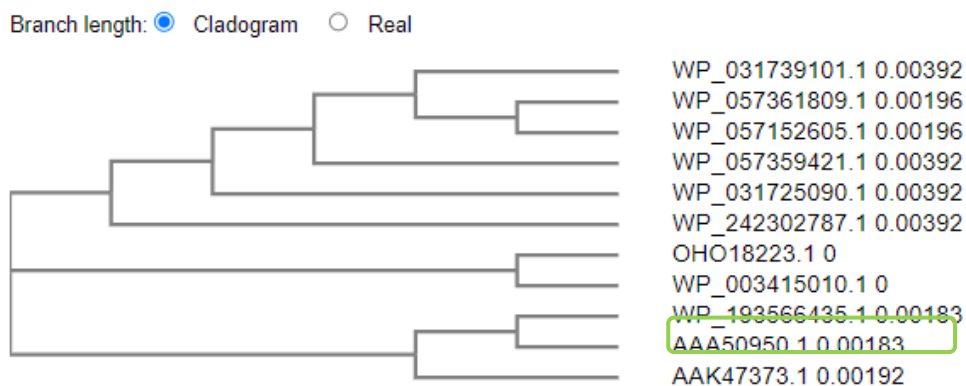


Figure 4.5.2 Phylogenetic Tree Prediction

## 4.6 Protein family and Function prediction

The NCBI-CD Search predictions suggest the conserved domains and likely function of our target protein. The domain protein from the **DsbG super family** that is involved in protein-disulfide isomerase [posttranslational modification, protein turnover and chaperone] was discovered in the CD search with an Evalue of  $4.11e-30$  and an interval of 56-239.

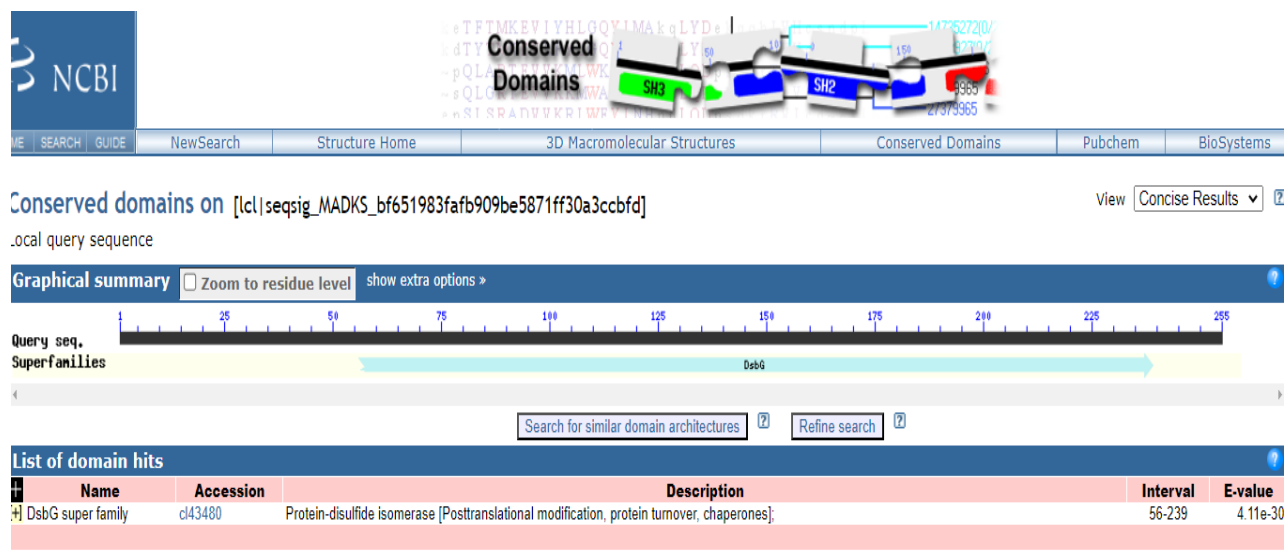


Figure 4.6.1 Conserved domain result

The experiment is also done by Interpro server which has also shown us the same result.

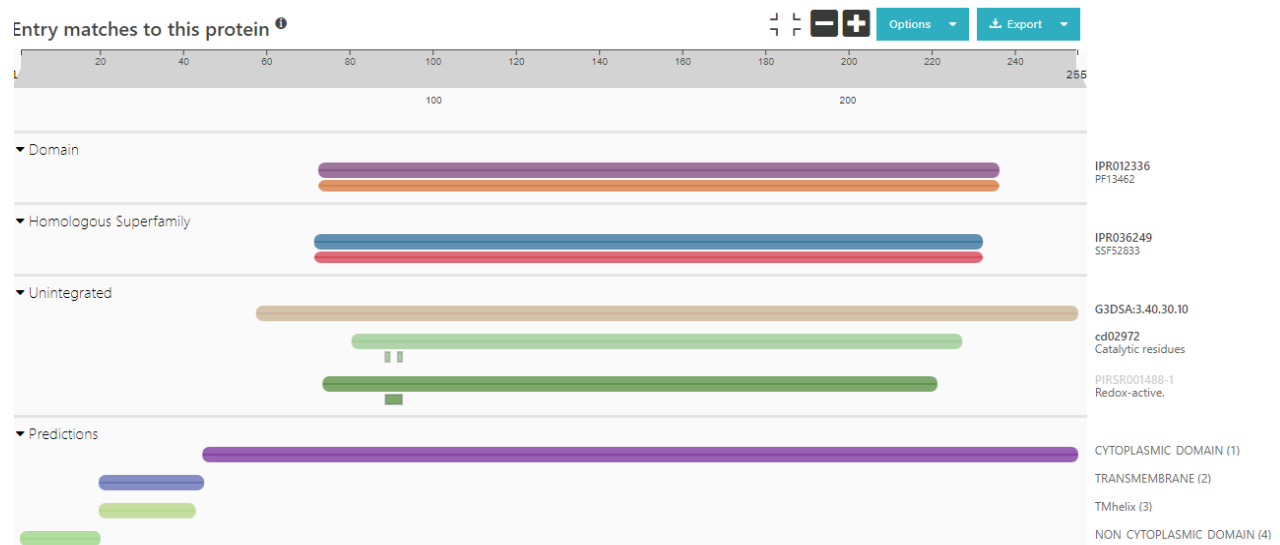


Figure 4.6.2 InterPro server result

### Function of Protein-Disulfide Isomerase (PDI) in Prokaryotes:

#### ❖ Protein folding and regular oxidative folding

The oxidoreductase and isomerase activities of protein disulfide-isomerase are influenced by the type of substrate that the enzyme binds to as well as changes in its redox state. These kinds of mechanisms enable protein oxidative folding. Disulfide bridges are formed when reduced cysteine residues in developing proteins are oxidized, stabilizing the protein and allowing it to form native structures, notably tertiary and quaternary structures. Protein folding is the physical transformation of a protein chain into its native three-dimensional structure, often known as a **"folded" conformation, which enables the protein to function physiologically** [14]. Protein folding in bacteria is closely controlled genetically, transcriptionally, and at the level of the protein structure because only folded proteins are usually effective. Moreover, essential cellular machinery supports polypeptide folding to guard against misfolding and ensure the creation of useful structures [15]. Proteins are selectively folded by PDI in the ER. At the active site (CGHC motif) of protein disulfide-isomerase, a cysteine residue in a stretched protein joins with another cysteine residue to create a mixed disulfide. The two cysteine residues in the protein disulfide-active isomerase's site



are subsequently reduced as a result of a second cysteine residue in the substrate creating a stable disulfide bridge.

#### ❖ **Redox signaling**

A redox chaperone called PDI is involved in the control of vascular NADPH oxidase, phagosome formation, and host cell absorption of bacteria and viruses. In addition to being related to phagocyte NADPH oxidase, PDI is also essential for *L. chagasi* to successfully infect macrophages. Many pathogens, including *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, *Salmonella typhimurium*, *Toxoplasma gondii*, and particularly *Leishmania spp.* and *Trypanosoma cruzi*, can pass through or live in the phagosome [16].

#### ❖ **Immune system**

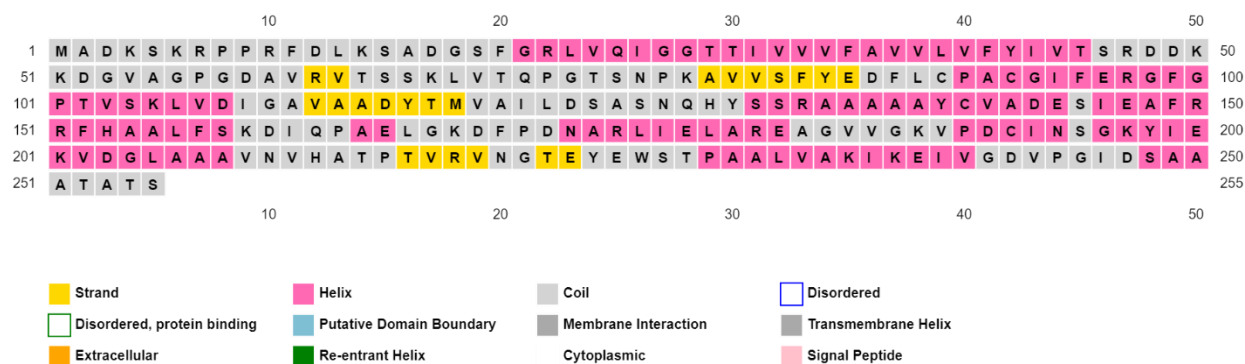
PDI is a soluble homodimer without a transmembrane domain, like other ER chaperones. Moreover, it contains the KDEL C-terminal sequence, which binds to certain receptors in COP vesicles that migrate through the ER-Golgi region and recycles proteins back to the ER [17]. Antigenic peptides are helped to bind onto MHC class I molecules by protein disulfide-isomerase. These molecules (MHC I) are connected to the display of peptides during the immunological reaction by antigen-presenting cells.

#### ❖ **Chaperone activity**

Another crucial role that protein disulfide-isomerase plays is chaperoning. One of the main functions of molecular chaperones is to prevent the buildup of proteins that are misfolded. Chaperones are a class of proteins that aid in the normal and stressed folding of proteins in the cell. They are both capable of recognizing and interacting with foreign proteins, which prevents unwanted protein aggregation [18]. Molecular chaperones play a variety of functions in bacterial cells, including assisting in protein release, repairing proteins that have been harmed or misfolded by stresses like a heat shock, as well as preventing protein aggregation in reaction to a heat shock. Moreover, they support protein folding during and after translation of newly produced proteins.

## 4.7 Secondary Structure determination

Using SOPMA, the protein's primary and secondary structural characteristics were identified. According to these calculations, the protein contains 35.29% alpha helix, 20.00% extended stands, 7.06% beta turns, and 37.65% random coils. The PRISPRED website, which presents a summary of comparable results, also double-checked the protein structural results. The putative protein's typical secondary structure (**OHO18223.1**) is displayed below.

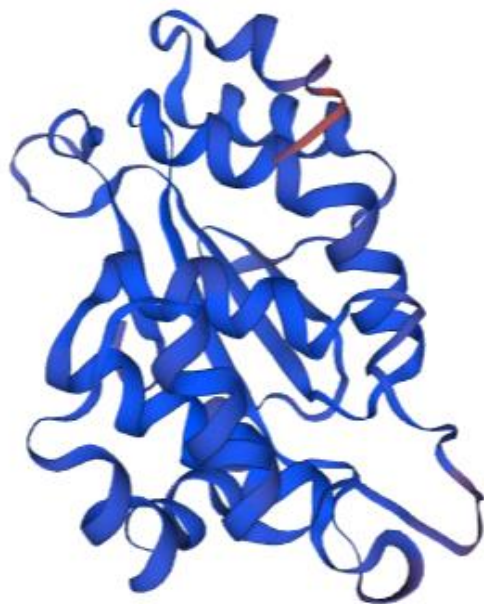


**Figure 4.7.1.** The positions of the alpha helix, beta turn, extended strand, and random coil are shown individually in this picture.



#### 4.8 Three-dimensional structure prediction

Using the template with the highest rating, the SWISS-MODEL server completed a 3D prediction with a 100% identification rate.

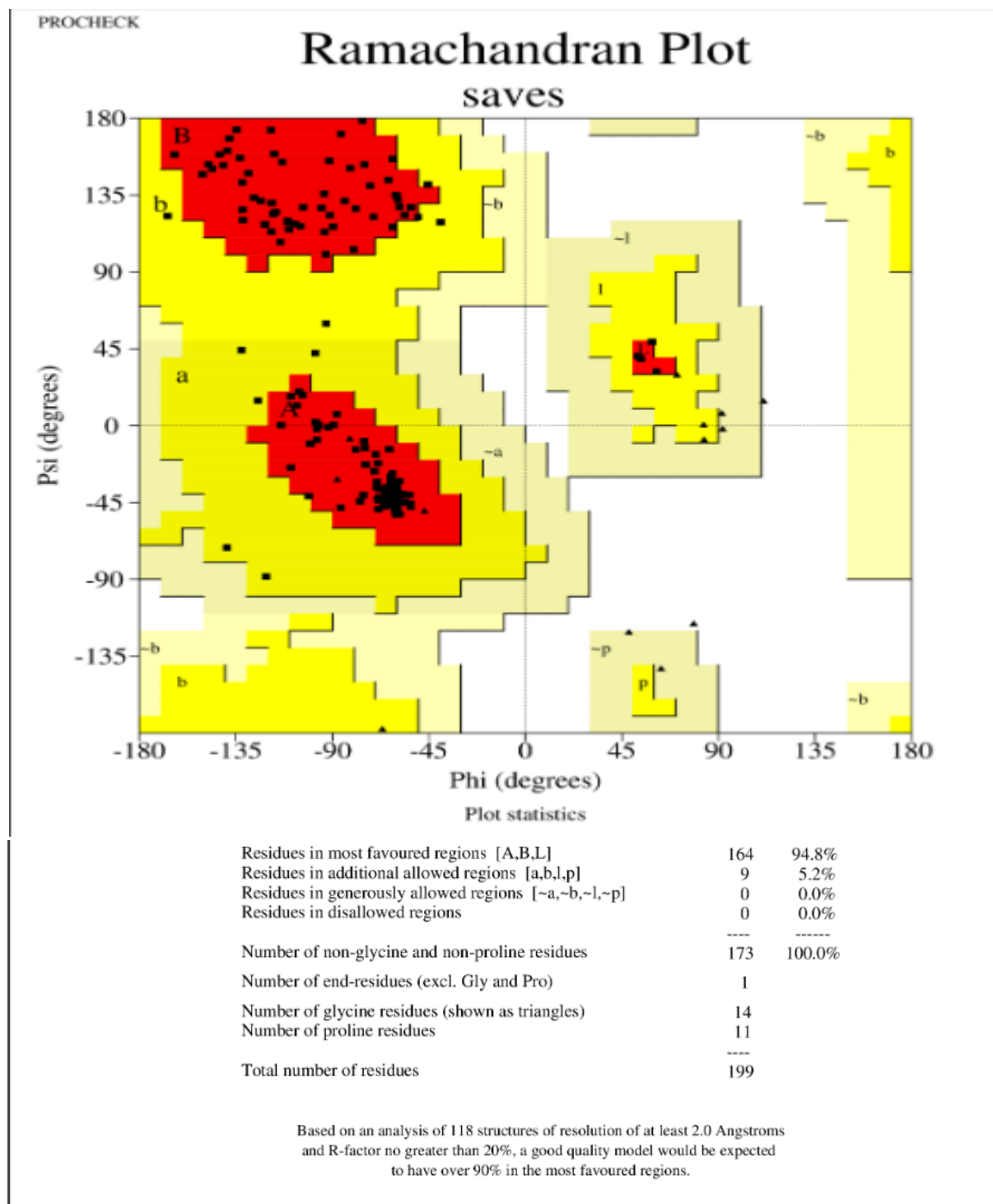


**Figure 4.8.1.** 3D structure of Hypothetical protein

#### 4.9 Tertiary Structure Validation and model Quality Assessment

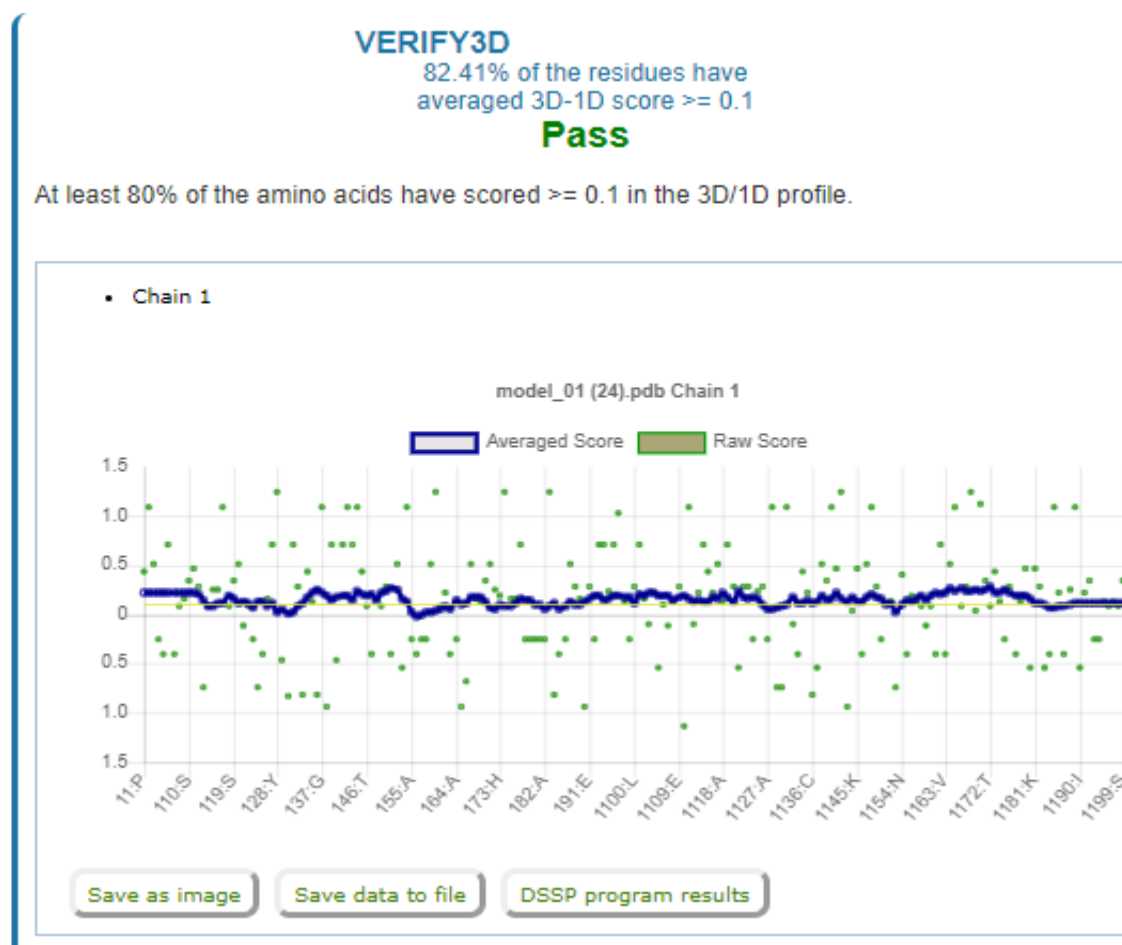
The quality of the 3D models was evaluated using Prosa -web and the Saves v6.0 server.

In the Prosa -web server, z-score was more common in the NMR than the x-ray regions. If the z-score is within the range of values frequently reported for genuine proteins of a similar size, the model is of excellent quality; otherwise, the structure is incorrect. The Prosa -web plot graph shows that the z-scores for PDB protein structures vary from -1 to -13. A value more than 90% inside the permitted zone is shown on the rating from the statistics of the Ramachandran plot, with 94.8% of residues in the intended locations.



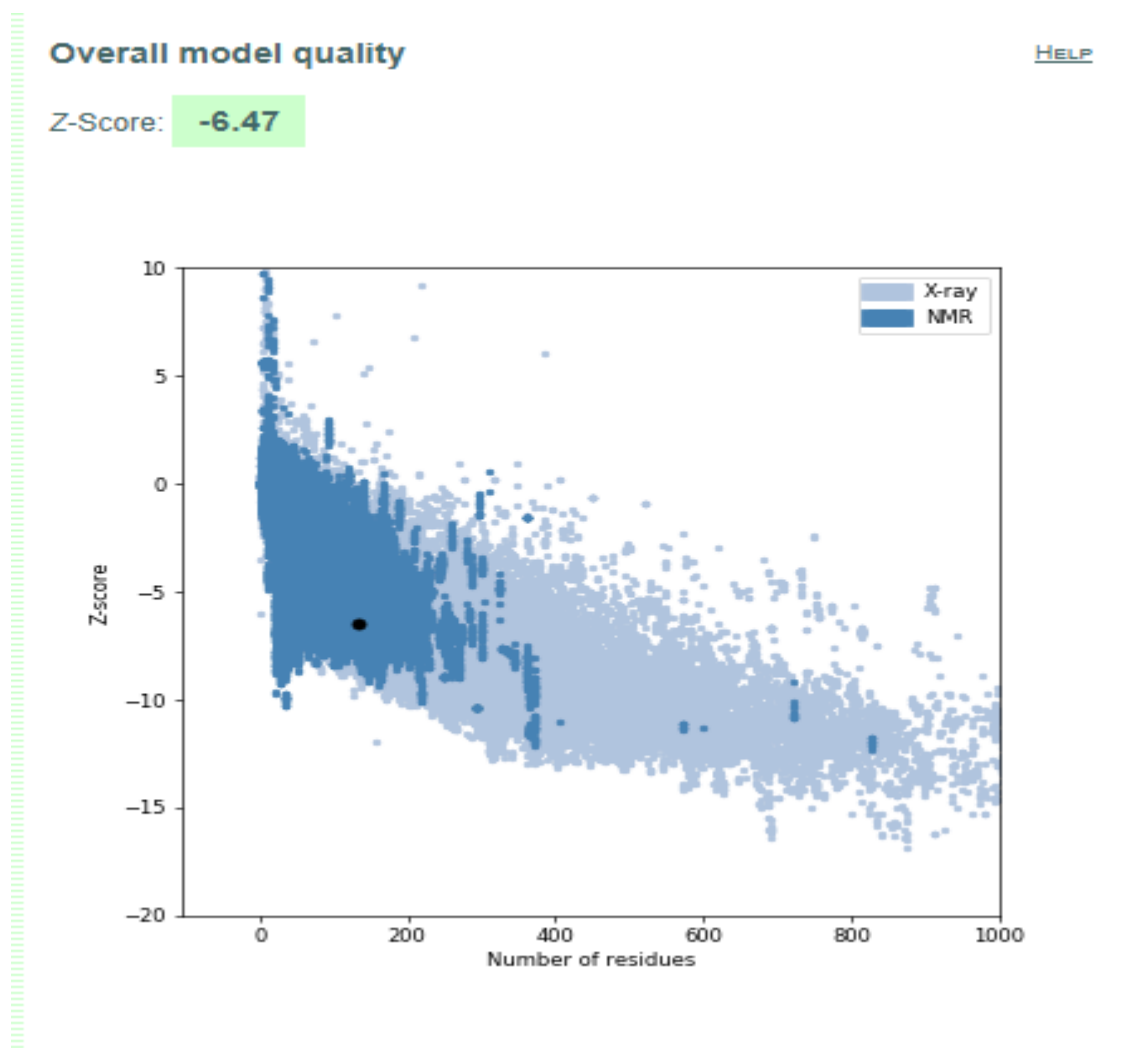
**Figure 4.9.1** Ramachandran plot statistics

The average 3D-1D score of 82.41% of the remnants was superior to or equivalent to 0.1, demonstrating the moral uprightness and suitability of these structures. A verify3D score of higher than 80% denotes a high caliber model [19].



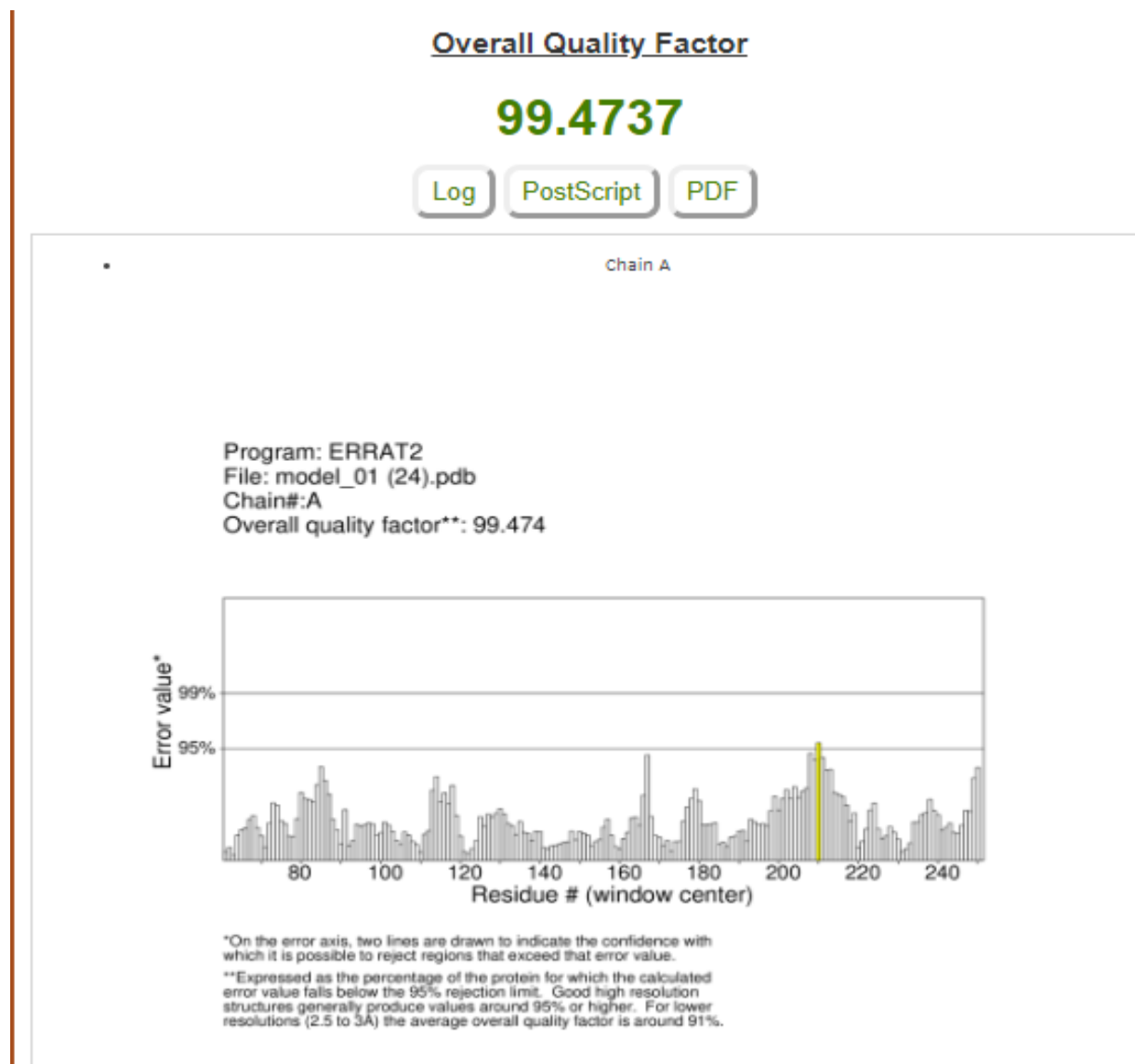
**Figure 4.9.2** Verification of a 3d model via Verify3D 82.41% of the residues have averaged 3D-ID score  $\geq$ 0.1

The model's projected Z -score of -6.07. The range of high-quality model's z -scores for protein structures that have been experimentally confirmed.



**Figure 4.9.3** The link between HP and other proteins is shown using the z-score, with HP showing as black dots and other proteins as grey. Score for z: -6.47 (Prossa server)

Based on frequent atomic connections, Errat looked into the statistical distribution of non-bonded links among various atom types. The overall quality factor for this model was 99.4737%, which is regarded as exceptional. Use of high-resolution models with Errat values of 95% or higher is advocated [20].



**Figure 4.9.4:** The overall quality factor plot (Errat) of the original model is 99.474% accurate. Red denoted difficult, yellow denoted less problematic, and gray denoted non-problematic.

The model was of good quality, according to the results of the overall quality assessment tests conducted by Errat, Prosa-web, verify3D, and Procheck ( Ramachandran Plot)





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**DISCUSSION**

## Discussion

Sequence taken from the NCBI database that is fictitious. The protein's physicochemical properties were then examined using ExPASy's ProtParam tool. It was determined that the protein had 255 amino acids, a molecular weight of 26861.54, a theoretical pI of 5.68, and a grand average of hydropathicity (GRAVY): 0.097 value is positive, indicating that the protein is water soluble. The ability of PSIPRED to get an average Q3 score of 76.5% using a rigorous cross validation approach has been demonstrated [21]. The **PSLpred** server predicted a cytoplasmic protein (a protein located within the cytoplasm of a cell) as the subcellular location of the target protein, with an estimated accuracy of about 71.1%. The domain protein from the **DsbG super family** that is involved in protein-disulfide isomerase [posttranslational modification, protein turnover, chaperones] was discovered in the CD search with an E-value of 4.11e-30 and an interval of 56-239.

Using SOPMA, the protein's primary and secondary structural characteristics were identified. According to these calculations, the protein contains 35.29% alpha helix, 20.00% extended strands, 7.06% beta turns, and 37.65% random coils. Using the template with the highest rating, the SWISS-MODEL server completed a 3D prediction with a 100% identification rate. The quality of the 3D models was evaluated using Prosa -web and the Saves v6.0 server. All three analyses—Errat, Verify3d, and Ramachandran plot—are available on the Saves v6.0 server.

On the Prosa-web server, our z-score was more common in the NMR than the x-ray regions. If the z-score is within the range of values normally seen for genuine proteins of a similar size, the model is of outstanding quality; otherwise, the structure is incorrect. The z-scores for PDB protein structures range from -1 to -13, according to the Prosa-web plot graph.

The excellent level of quality of Prosa is demonstrated by the model's projected z-score of -6.07. the range of high-quality models' z-scores for protein structures that have been experimentally confirmed. A value of more than 90% inside the permitted zone is shown on the Ramachandran map, suggesting a high-quality model [19]. The model received an excellent rating from the Ramachandran Plot Statistics, with 94.8% of residues in the intended locations. Tool check3D, The average 3D-1D score of 82.41% of the residues was greater than or equal to 0.1, demonstrating the moral uprightness and suitability of these structures. A Verify3D score of higher than 80%

denotes a high caliber model [19]. Based on common atomic affiliations, Errat explored the statistical distribution of non-bonded links across a wide range of atom categories. The overall quality factor for Errat was 99.4737%, indicating that the model was excellent. A high-resolution model with an Errat value of 95% or higher is recommended [22].

The model was of good quality, according to the results of the overall quality assessment tests conducted by Errat, Prosa-web, Verify3D, and Procheck (Ramachandran Plot).

Here, **WP 003415010** and our target protein **OHO18223.1** are similar. 1 more closely; as a result, their functions can complement one another. The enzyme protein disulfide isomerase produces native disulfide pairs in secretory proteins (PDI). The essential enzyme PDI has the ability to disulfide isomerase. Protein Disulfide Isomerase is a redox protein from the thioredoxin class (PDI). Disulfide isomerase, thiol disulfide ox reductase, and redox dependent chaperone are the three enzymatic activities of PDI. The endoplasmic reticulum interior was where PDI was first discovered; it was then discovered in the cytoplasm and on cell membranes. This study will give a summary of current research linking the structural characteristics of PDI to its range of catalytic roles, as well as its physiological and clinical functions related to redox regulation and folded proteins [23]. The significance of this entire study lies in its ability to explain the structure and function of our potential target protein from *mycobacterium tuberculosis*.

A complex network diagram with various nodes and connecting lines. Some nodes are highlighted in blue, black, and grey. A large white oval with a black center is prominent in the upper right, and another large blue oval is in the lower left. A black rectangular box is overlaid on the right side of the image.

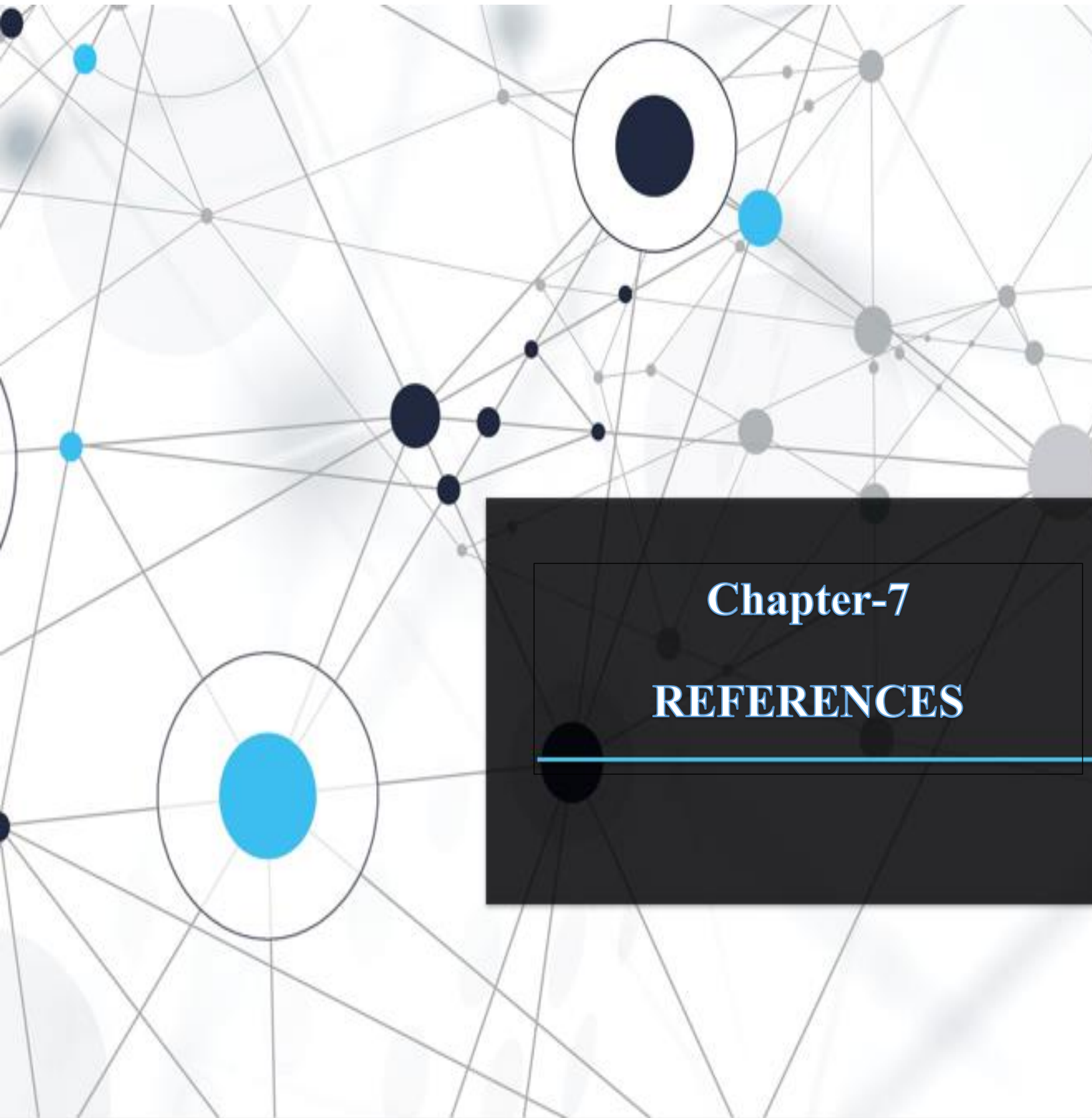
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# CONCLUSION

## Conclusion

Based on the findings of the overall evaluation of model quality and resemblance, the best projected models from SWISSMODEL were chosen. Future protein studies that require knowledge of protein structure dynamics can use these generated models as a reference.

This study's objectives were to determine the 3D structure of a hypothetical protein from the mycobacterium TB (Accession No. **OHO18223.1**), as well as to make recommendations for its possible applications. The most promising projected models from SWISSMODEL were selected based on the results of the overall model quality and similarity evaluation. Further protein research that requires knowledge of protein structure can use these developed models as a guide. Researchers identified a novel, cytoplasmic, stable protein with the multifunctional Protein Disulfide Isomerase (PDI) domain required for *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*. The functioning cell will die if we can prevent this protein from functioning in the cell. As a result, we can stop important processes, which may lead to the development of an anti-tubercular drug in the future. Further research into the structure and function of this protein may aid in the development of inventive medicines.



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 ..... [Professor Dr. Muniruddin Ahmed Head of the department of Pharmacy Faculty of Allied Health Science Daffodil International University](#) ..... [Internal Examiner-I](#) ..... [Internal Examiner-II](#) ..... [Internal Examiner-III](#) CERTIFICATE In order to prove that the research findings contained [in this project are unique and have never previously been submitted in their whole for a degree from this institution](#), we thus testify to their originality. The foundation for the whole current work, which has been provided as a project work for [the degree of Bachelor of Pharmacy, is the author's](#) (Mayanur Islam Nila, ID: 191-29-1438) individual research results. Supervised By: [Mohammad Touhidul Islam Lecturer \(Senior Scale\) Department of Pharmacy Faculty of Allied Health Sciences Daffodil International University](#) [DECLARATION I hereby declare that, this project report is done by me under the supervision of Mohammad Touhidul Islam, Lecturer \(Senior Scale\), Department of Pharmacy, Daffodil International University, impartial fulfillment of the requirements for the degree of Bachelor of Pharmacy. I am declaring that this project is my original work. I also declare that neither this project nor any part therefore has been submitted elsewhere for the award of Bachelor or any degree.](#) Submitted By: Name: [Mayanur Islam Nila](#) ID: 191-29-1438 Batch: 21 [DEDICATION I would like to dedicate my work to the Almighty GOD, My Beloved Parents And My supervisor. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT As a human being, I want to begin by thanking God for giving me the opportunity to complete this assignment successfully. I want to thank my supervisor, Mr. Mohammad Touhidul Islam, Lecturer \(Senior Scale\), Department of Pharmacy, Daffodil International University, for his wonderful guidance in](#)

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Abstract One of the oldest illnesses known to affect humans, tuberculosis (TB), kills two million people annually and is still the main cause of death. However, Mycobacterium tuberculosis, which is prevalent in aerosol droplets, deposits on lung alveolar surfaces, causing TB to be largely a pulmonary illness. Despite the fact that TB may damage the bone, the neurological system, and several other organ systems, its primary symptom is lung illness. There are a number of potential consequences as the illness advances from this point, most of which are determined by the host immune system's response. [Researchers are identifying targets in M. TB that will aid in the development of these urgently required anti-tubercular medications using the whole M. tuberculosis genome structure as well as innovative genetic and physiological approaches.](#)

In order to comprehend the function that a putative protein (OH018223.1) discovered in Mycobacterium TB plays in the organism, the current study aims to investigate the structural and functional evaluation of the protein. Using an in-silico technique, homology modeling was utilized to build the 3D structure, and P fam, Interpro, and Uniport were used to profile the functions. The putative protein's primary and secondary structures were examined, and they revealed that it was stable, confined within the cytoplasm, and included a significant number of random coils. The 3D models that the SWISS-MODEL server predicted are 62.17 percent comparable to the template that received the best score. [The SAVES v6.0 server and Prosa-web were used to assess the 3D model quality. The protein model has remarkable quality, as shown by the Ramachandran plot- based overall quality assessment results from Prosa-web, Verify3D, and Procheck.](#) According to the websites P fam, Interpro, and Uniport, the putative protein is a cytoplasmic protein that breaks down unwanted, damaged, and improperly folded intracellular proteins, hence preserving the quality of protein in the cell. Finally, we proposed that more research into the structure and function of the protein may result in brand-new therapies. Keywords: Function prediction; Structure assessment; Mycobacterium tuberculosis; Hypothetical protein; Homology modeling; novel Drug. Chapter One: Introduction S. No. 1 Table of Content Topic Page No. Introduction 15-17 [Chapter Two: Purpose of my study S. No. Topic Page No. 2 Purpose of my study 19 Chapter Three: Materials and Methods S. 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Gray showed non-problematic, red indicated troublesome, and yellow suggested less problematic zone. 47 48 \\[List of Table S. No. Table name Page No. 1.1 List of bioinformatics tools and databases used in this study for structural and functional analysis of the HP\\]\\(#\\) 21-22 4.2.1 Physicochemical properties of hypothetical protein 35 Introduction There is a lack of functional labelling for many recently decoded proteins despite the \\[ever-increasing quantities of biological data, including raw data, such as genomic sequences, and functional genomic data from high-throughput\\]\\(#\\) studies. For instance, up to 40% of recognized proteins in the majority of bacterial genes are classified as "uncharacterized," "unknown," or "hypothetical" proteins \\[1\\]. HPs are predicted proteins, proteins that have not been demonstrated to exist by experimental protein chemistry data but are expected from nucleic acid patterns \\[2\\]. Scientists have used several computational techniques to develop several \\[methods for forecasting protein function\\]\\(#\\). These techniques have been made possible by utilizing series homology, phylogenetic analysis, interactions between proteins, interactions between proteins and ligands, similarities between active site residues, commonly \\[conserved domains\\]\\(#\\) and \\[motifs, phosphorylation sites, and patterns of gene expression. The conventional method of figuring out function, however, relies on sequence similarity and programs like BLAST, FASTA, and PSI- BLAST.\\]\\(#\\) There is no scientific or biological evidence for the existence of HPs, \\[which are hypothetical proteins predicted from nucleic acid sequences.\\]\\(#\\) Moreover, these proteins share little in common with known, annotated proteins. Only a small number of HPs have managed to endure over time, and they can be found in various evolutionary lineages. While HPs constitute a considerable portion of genes in sequenced microbial genomes, their complete functional characterization and detailed protein chemistry remain incomplete \\[3\\]. In HPs, there are two categories. Uncharacterized protein families \\(UPFs\\) make up one class, whereas domains of uncertain function make up the other \\(DUFs\\). Although their experimental structures \\[have not been described or connected to any known genes, unknown\\]\\(#\\) proteins do indeed exist. Despite being proteins that have been experimentally identified, DUFs lack any structural or functional domains. They might have transmembrane sections or coiled-coil features that prevent the function from being assigned. Studying the function of proteins with unidentified roles has several advantages, including the evaluation of novel domains and motifs, the identification of extra protein pathways and cascades, and the finding of novel \\[conformational orientations of 3-dimensional structures.\\]\\(#\\) Potential pharmacological targets may be discovered in these novel domains. Moreover, high throughput techniques, such as \\[systematic synthetic lethal analysis, are\\]\\(#\\) employed, both microarray \\[gene expression\\]\\(#\\) patterns and \\[protein complex identification by mass spectrometry\\]\\(#\\) are useful. You can also use phylogenetic analysis of proteins across numerous genes to determine function. Genes with comparable roles are apt to be co-expressed, which is why the wide, common technique of grouping gene-expression patterns \\[4\\] is so popular. Many protein domains engage in an organism's biochemical processes and have unclear roles; however, they may also be detrimental. The function of a protein can rarely alter due to changes such as insertions, deletions, and\]\(#\)](#)

replacements. The study's primary aim is to find and categorize a protein region with an unknown function using computational technologies. The 2020 Global Tuberculosis Survey revealed that there were 10 million new cases of tuberculosis (TB) in 2019. Out of these, 1.2 million were people who did not have HIV, while the remaining 2,08,000 were people who were HIV- positive. The BCG vaccine is the only one that has been developed to prevent tuberculosis, but it does not work very well in adults. Figure 1.1 Cell structure of Mycobacterium Tuberculosis [8] Despite the fact that many different immunizations are still in the testing stage, there is no evidence to suggest that any of them are particularly effective. Even though it was one of the most promising potential vaccines, MVA85A was unable to offer HIV patients in a clinical study any significant protection from the illness. These proteins are predicted to be essential for MTB survival and growth in their chosen environments as well as for mediating interactions between mycobacterium and host cells, according to some annotation predictions for these proteins, which are expressed in response to the shifting microenvironments that the pathogen encounters [5]. Because they are a part of a vastly expanded family of protein families, the functions of these proteins are essential for expanding our understanding of this species. Moreover, Mycobacterium TB shows signs of treatment resistance, which makes the condition harder to treat [6]. More than half of M. tuberculosis's first complete genome, which was decoded in 1998, appears to contain potential proteins. Because the species has coevolved with other creatures and people, members of the M. TB complex have distinct harmful impacts despite having 99% of their DNA code. It has been explicitly hypothesized that a number of these "hypothetical" proteins, such as those in the ProGlu or Pro-Pro-Glu (PE/PPE) family, play a crucial role in the internal lifestyle of Mycobacterium TB and may aid in its survival under a variety of conditions. To anticipate the functions of many of the proteins that Mycobacterium TB is expected to generate, we created a functional interaction network for its proteins. In this research, we compared the network properties of hypothesized proteins to those of known proteins in order to identify statistically important classifications. Based on the expected molecular roles of these proteins, we also performed functional enrichment analysis on them. Numerous membrane-anchored genes implicated in lipid metabolism were found among the infectious mycobacterial genes that were examined. On the pathogenesis and pathogenicity of the bacteria, potential proteins that has high GC are believed to have a significant biochemical effect [7]. ExPasy, Prot Param, NCBI CDD blast, P farm, Clustal omega, Sopma, Pspred, Procheck, SWISS-Model, Raptor X, Phyre 2, and ProSA -web server were among the computational tools that could be used to analyse the molecular and functional analysis of a new putative protein (BBW91 17915) in the current study. The outcomes of the in silico experiment were compared using three positive controls and three negative controls, respectively. Purpose of my study The goal of my research in 2019, there were ten million newly diagnosed instances of tuberculosis (TB), among them about 1.2 million people tested HIV- negative and 2.08,000 tested positive, according to the Global Tuberculosis Report, 2020. BCG, the as-yet-uncreated anti-TB antibody, isn't particularly effective against tuberculosis in adults. Despite the fact that many antibodies are still in the testing phase, notable survival has not yet been described. Additionally, Mycobacterium TB looks resistant to frequently prescribed medications, making the disease more difficult to treat [9]. Finding new therapeutic targets for Mycobacterium tuberculosis is made easier with the help of computational drug discovery research. His investigation of the MTBC genome using SMRT sequencing reveals that the genome is 99% identical and well conserved. Only 7 secreted proteins have been described to date, despite the fact that 51 M. tuberculosis secreted proteins have been identified using computational techniques. Bioinformatics methods have been used to study various groups of hypothetical proteins, including enzymes, transporters, receptors, and structural proteins. Few in silico methods have been used to forecast vaccine potential, ribosome binding sites, GTP binding regions, or any other properties of M. TB proteins, but many M. tuberculosis proteins have received examination of mutations, useful research, and structural forecast. To create new, highly immunogenic multi-epitope subunit vaccines or drugs against tuberculosis, reverse vaccine trials are being done.

2.1 This study's objective is to: -Discovery of new biotechnologically significant proteins as well as novel drug design. - Prediction of the structure of hypothetical proteins. - Determination of hypothetical proteins' functional roles. - Describe the physicochemical characteristics of hypothetical proteins. The significance of this entire work lies in its ability to shed light on the structure and function of the targeted Mycobacterium tuberculosis proteins. Materials and Methods This inquiry involves two successive phases. Homology Search, Physicochemical Parameters, Subcellular Localization and Stability Prediction, Identification and Retrieval of Unique HPs from Internet Databases, were all included in PHASE I. PHASE II involved the structural and functional analysis of the selected proteins, which included identifying their interactions with other proteins, classifying protein families, looking for signal peptides, homology modeling, and validating the 3D structures of the proteins. A list of the bioinformatics sources and instruments used to functionally annotate Mycobacterium tuberculosis (Accession No. OH018223.1) HPs can be found in Supplementary Table 1.1 Table 1.1 The datasets and bioinformatics tools used in this study's structural and functional investigation of the HP are listed below. Tools/Servers A)Sequence Retrieval- Download FASTA of Target Protein 1. NCBI B) Determination of physicochemical Properties 1. ExPASy - ProtParam C) Subcellular Localization 1. PSLpred 2. SOSUI-GramN D) Function Predictions 1. Conserved domain database 2. INTERPRO URL [https:// www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/) [http:// web.expasy.org/protparam](http://web.expasy.org/protparam) [https:// webs.iitd.edu.in/raghava/pslpred/sub\\_mit.html](https://webs.iitd.edu.in/raghava/pslpred/sub_mit.html) [https:// harrier.nagahama-i-bio.ac.jp/sosui/sosuiagram/sosuiagram\\_submit.htm](https://harrier.nagahama-i-bio.ac.jp/sosui/sosuiagram/sosuiagram_submit.htm) [http:// www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Structure/cdd/wrpsb.cgi](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Structure/cdd/wrpsb.cgi) Function Sequence retrieval or selection of the hypothetical protein and download FASTA of target protein To analyze physicochemical characterization of Hypothetical Protein Gram-negative bacteria's five primary subcellular localizations predicting. A method for looking for functional regions in a series and Family relationship identification. 3. Pfam [http:// www.ebi.ac.uk/interpro/](http://www.ebi.ac.uk/interpro/) [http:// pfam.xfam.org/](http://pfam.xfam.org/) E) Homology Searching [https:// 1. PBLAST blast.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Blast.cgi#](https://1.pblast.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Blast.cgi#) Searches for sequence similarity F) Multiple Sequence Alignment and Phylogenetic Tree Prediction 1. Clustal Omega [https:// www.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/services/web\\_clustal/toolform.ebi](https://www.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/services/web_clustal/toolform.ebi) Accomplishes multiple sequence alignment and phylogenetic tree prediction G) Secondary Structure Prediction 1. PISPRED 2. SOPMA [http:// bioinf.cs.ucl.ac.uk/psipred](http://bioinf.cs.ucl.ac.uk/psipred) [https:// npsa-prabi.ibcp.fr/cgi-bin/npsa\\_automat.pl?page=NPSA/npsa\\_sopma.html](https://npsa-prabi.ibcp.fr/cgi-bin/npsa_automat.pl?page=NPSA/npsa_sopma.html) Accurately forecasts amino acids for a three-state secondary structure description of the secondary structure. H) Tertiary Structure Prediction 1. SWISS-Model 2. RaptorX 3. Phyre2 [https:// swissmodel.expasy.org/interactive/7h\\_XdRN/models/](https://swissmodel.expasy.org/interactive/7h_XdRN/models/) [http:// raptorx6.uchicago.edu/ContactMap/](http://raptorx6.uchicago.edu/ContactMap/) [http:// www.sbg.bio.ic.ac.uk/~phyre2/html/p\\_age.cgi?id=index](http://www.sbg.bio.ic.ac.uk/~phyre2/html/p_age.cgi?id=index) Evaluate the model accuracy in the database, search for different blueprint designs and then dynamically build models. I) 3DStructure Validation 1. PROCHECK 2. ProSA-web 3. Verify3D 4. ERRAT [https:// prosa.services.came.sbg.ac.at/prosa.php](https://prosa.services.came.sbg.ac.at/prosa.php) p Validate using the structural analysis and verification service. [https:// saves.mbi.ucla.edu/](https://saves.mbi.ucla.edu/) PHASE I 3.1 Sequence Retrieval or Selection of the Hypothetical Protein Uncharacterized Mycobacterium TB proteins were selected from the NCBI protein database ([https:// www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/)) using the search term "hypothetical proteins." Using blast analysis, it was possible to compare the degree of resemblance to other alleged fictitious proteins. In this study, a putative Mycobacterium tuberculosis protein with 255 amino acid residues, accession number OH018223.1, was employed. For further research, the protein's main sequence in FASTA format was obtained. Figure 3.1.1: National Center for Biotechnology Information used for sequence retrieval 3.2 Physicochemical Properties The ProtParam server from ExPasy was used to analyze physicochemical characterization ([http:// us.expasy.org/tools/protparam](http://us.expasy.org/tools/protparam)). Molecular weight, predicted pI, the ratio of amino acids to atoms, the extinction coefficient, the expected half-life, and the instability index, (which measures the integrity of the protein structure; a score of 40 indicates that the protein is stable), aliphatic index, and GRAVY parameters were calculated by ProtParam (if this score is negative, it is mine soluble in water; if it is positive, it is not soluble in water). To understand protein characteristics, use this resource. Figure 3.2.1 ExPASy's ProtParam tool 3.3 Subcellular Localization and Solubility Prediction Gram-negative bacteria's five primary subcellular localizations are predicted using PSLpred ([https:// webs.iitd.edu.in/raghava/pslpred/submit.html](https://webs.iitd.edu.in/raghava/pslpred/submit.html)), an SVM -based method (cytoplasm, inner membrane, outer membrane,

extracellular, and periplasm). This method employs a variety of SVMs based on the composition of 33 physicochemical characteristics, PSI-Blast evolutionary data, and the dipeptide makeup, protein-repelling characteristics, and features of amino acid composition. The overall prediction accuracy for these SVM modules is 6%, 86%, 83%, and 68%, respectively. Moreover, a hybrid approach-based SVM module has been developed based on all of the aforementioned characteristics of a protein. With a 91% total accuracy rate, the hybrid module outperforms all other methods currently in use for determining the intracellular location of bacterial proteins. Figure 3.3. 1 PSLpred subcellular localization predictor Gram-negative bacteria's distribution of proteins within cells is predicted with high efficiency using SOSUI -GramN ([https://harrier.nagahama-i-bio.ac.jp/sosui/sosuigramn/sosuigramn\\_submit.htm](https://harrier.nagahama-i-bio.ac.jp/sosui/sosuigramn/sosuigramn_submit.htm)). The method only employs the molecular properties of the N- and C-terminal signal sequences as well as the complete sequence and does not require the sequence similarity information of any known sequences. For the localization of extracellular, outer, periplasmic, inner, and cytoplasmic mediums, the prediction system's accuracy was 92.3%, 89.4%, 86.4%, 97.5%, and 93.5%, respectively. Figure 3.3. 2 SOSUI-GramN subcellular localization predictor PHASE- II 3.4 Conserved domains search and Function prediction by Conserved domains analysis In proteins' chemical development, protein domains can be grouped into an evolutionary taxonomy and viewed as units. This list is attempted to be assembled, and similar domain models are arranged in a hierarchical manner by the Conserved Domain Database (CDD) at NCBI. The CDD program is used to do the conserved domain analysis, and it may be found online at ([www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Structure/cdd/wrpsb.cgi](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Structure/cdd/wrpsb.cgi)). Pfam (<http://pfamlegacy.xfam.org/>), Interpro Scan (<http://www.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/services/web/toolform.ebi?tool=iprscan5>), and other tools are used for domain analysis as well as Uniport ([www.uniprot.org/blast](http://www.uniprot.org/blast)). Figure 3.4.1: National Center for Biotechnology Information server for search conserved domain Figure 3.4.2: EMBL-EBI Pfam server for Function prediction Functional analysis of proteins is provided by Interpro (<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/interpro>), which classifies proteins into families and forecasts their domains and important sites. In order to categorize proteins in this way, the Interpro collaboration uses prediction models, known as signatures, supplied by several databases (referred to as member databases) [10]. Figure 3.4.3 InterPro Classification of protein families 3.5 Homology Searching The most popular and effective method for characterizing newly found genomes is to search for nucleotide homology, usually with BLAST. By finding excess similarity, a numerically significant similarity that indicates common lineage, sequence similarity searches can discover "homologous" proteins or genes. More than 80% of metagenomics sequence samples commonly display substantial homology to proteins in sequence databases because of the extent of contemporary protein sequence databases. To improve accessibility and performance, BLAST's public interface at the NCBI site (<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/blast>) was recently rebuilt. Figure 3.5.1: NCBI BLAST Tool Webpage for Protein blast 3.6 Multiple nucleotide matching and Predicted Phylogenetic tree Multiple sequence alignment is typically accomplished using Clustal series programs. The use of the mBed method for building guide-trees allows it to manage exceptionally large quantities (many tens of thousands) of DNA/RNA or protein sequences. With the help of planted guidance trees and HMM profile-profile methods, the brand-new multiple sequence alignment software Clustal Omega creates arrangements involving three or more [11]. This method has been one of the most widely used in bioinformatics for decades because it is a prerequisite for the majority of phylogenetic or comparative analysis of homologous genes or proteins. Figure 3.6.1 Clustal Omega tools Used for Multiple Sequence Alignment 3.7 Secondary Structure Determination The URL for this page is ([https://npsa-prabi.ibcp.fr/cgi-bin/npsa\\_automat.pl?page=NPSA/npsa\\_sopma.html](https://npsa-prabi.ibcp.fr/cgi-bin/npsa_automat.pl?page=NPSA/npsa_sopma.html)). Alignment-Based Self-Adjusted Forecast Technique It has been proposed that SOPMA could improve predictions of protein secondary structure. In a collection of 126 sequences of non-homologous (less than 25% identical) proteins, SOPMA correctly forecasts 69.5% of using amino acids to describe the tertiary structure in three states (-helix, -sheet, and coil) [12]. Users can enter a protein sequence, make a projection of their choice, and receive the prediction results both 30 textually by e-mail and visually on the web using the PSIPRED technique for forecasting protein shape (<http://bioinf.cs.ucl.ac.uk/psipred/>). Figure 3.7. 1 SOMPA Server used for secondary structure prediction Figure 3.7. 2: PSIPRED server tool for Secondary structure prediction 3.8 Three-dimensional Structure Prediction Users of the SWISS-MODEL Repository can evaluate the model accuracy in the database, search for different design layouts, and interactively construct models using SWISS-MODEL server (<http://swissmodel.expasy.org/workspace/>). The first completely automatic protein homology modelling tool was SWISS-MODEL and it has advanced continuously over the past 25 years (25–30). The modelling of homo- and heterogenic compounds using the amino acid patterns of the contact partners as a beginning point has recently been added to its modelling capabilities. Figure 3.8.1 SWISS-MODEL server for predicting 3D structure of Hypothetical protein 3.9 Tertiary Structure Validation and Model Quality Assessment The modelled OHO18223.1 was validated using the structural analysis and verification service SAVES v6.0 (<https://saves.mbi.ucla.edu/>). The principal structural model was checked using the ERRAT, Verify3D, and PROCHECK tools, which are all a part of the structural assessment and confirmation server SAVESv6.0 [13], to look for problems with the structure's three-dimensional representation. ProSA, also known as protein structure analysis, is a method used to improve and verify experimental protein structures as well as forecast and model protein structure. Also, the PROCHECK software tool provides a complete analysis of a protein structure's stereochemistry. Its outputs contain a complete residue-by-residue listing as well as a variety of graphs in PostScript format. Figure 3.9. 1 SAVESv6.0 was analyzed in order to locate faults in the 3D structure Result 4.1 Sequence retrieval A hypothetical protein sequence was chosen at random from the NCBI database using search term "Hypothetical Protein of Mycobacterium Tuberculosis" and the resulting protein sequence is shown below. GenBank: OHO18223.1

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>OHO18223.1 hypothetical protein BBW91_17915 [Mycobacterium tuberculosis]
MADKSKRPPRFDLKADGSGFRLVQIGGTTIVVVFAVVLVFIYVTSRDDKKGDVAGPGD
AVRVTSSKLVTPQPTSNPKAVVSFYEDFLCPACGIFERGFPGPTVSKLVDIGAVAADYTM
VAILDSASNQHYSSRAAAAAYCVADESIEAFRRFHAALFSKDIQPAELGKDFPDNARLIE
LAREAGVVGKVPDCINSGKYIEKVDGLAAAVNVHATPTVRVNGTEYEWSTPAALVAKI KEIVGDVPGIDSAAATATS 4.2
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Physicochemical properties analysis For the hypothetical protein OHO18223.1, the ProtParam tool evaluated a number of physicochemical properties, which are shown in the table below. Table 4.2.1 physicochemical properties of hypothetical protein

| Accession Number | Molecular Weight | Estimated number of weight | half-life | amino acids |
|------------------|------------------|----------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| OHO18223.1       | 255              | 26861.54                   | 30 hr     |             |

Theor Asp etical + pI Glu 5.68 30 Arg + Lys 27 Aliphatic Instability Grand average index index of hydropathicity (GRAVY) 89.53 26.64 0.097 It was anticipated that the protein would have 255 amino acids, have a 26861.54 molecular weight and have a GRAVY score of 0.097, which indicates that it is water soluble. With a calculated instability index (II) of 26.64, the protein falls under the steady category. The protein is fragile if the protein instability score is higher than 40. The aliphatic index as determined is 89.53. Alanine (14.1%) contained the highest concentration of amino acid residue. The sequence has Total amount of molecules that are negatively charged (Asp+Glu): 30 Total amount of molecules that are positively charged (Arg+Lys): 27 4.3 Subcellular Localization Analysis The hypothetical protein's subcellular location reveals details about its biological function. It should be beneficial in the process of creating a medication to ward off the target protein. With an estimated accuracy of around 71.1% the PSLpred server suggested a cytoplasmic protein—a protein found within the cytoplasm of a cell—as the target protein's subcellular location. Figure 4.3.1 PSLpred subcellular localization result The SOSUIGramN program states that the hypothetical is localized within the inner membrane of the cell. Figure 4.3.2 SOSUI-GramN subcellular localization result 4.4 Homology Searching The search for the homology of Hypothetical protein using the well-known BLASTp tools from NCBI. The top 10 results from a homology search are shown in the table below. Figure 4.4.1 Top 10 homology results from BLASTp tools 4.5 Multiple sequence alignment and phylogenetic Tree prediction In the figure below the top 10 multiple sequence alignment and Phylogenetic analysis shown. Here out target protein OHO18223.1 is more similar to WP\_003415010.1 Figure 4.5.1: Top 10 multiple sequence alignment obtained by using Clustal Omega tools Figure 4.5.2 Phylogenetic Tree Prediction 4.6 Protein family and



Function prediction The NCBI-CD Search predictions suggest the [conserved domains and likely function of our target protein](#). The domain protein from the DsbG super family that is involved in protein-disulfide isomerase [posttranslational modification, protein turnover and chaperone] was discovered in the CD search with an E-value of  $4.11e-30$  and an interval of 56-239. Figure 4.6.1 Conserved domain result The experiment is also done by Interpro server which has also shown us the same result. Figure 4.6.2 InterPro server result Function of Protein-Disulfide Isomerase (PDI) in Prokaryotes: ♦ Protein folding and regular oxidative folding The oxidoreductase and isomerase activities of protein disulfide-isomerase are influenced by the type of substrate that the enzyme binds to as well as changes in its redox state. These kinds of mechanisms enable protein oxidative folding. Disulfide bridges are formed when reduced cysteine residues in developing proteins are oxidized, stabilizing the protein and allowing it to form native structures, notably tertiary and quaternary structures. Protein folding is the physical transformation of a protein chain into its native three-dimensional structure, often known as a "folded" conformation, which enables the protein to function physiologically [14]. Protein folding in bacteria is closely controlled genetically, transcriptionally, and at the level of the protein structure because only folded proteins are usually effective. Moreover, essential cellular machinery supports polypeptide folding to guard against misfolding and ensure the creation of useful structures [15]. Proteins are selectively folded by PDI in the ER. At [the active site](#) (CGHC motif) [of protein disulfide-isomerase, a cysteine residue in a stretched protein joins with another cysteine residue to create a mixed disulfide. The two cysteine residues in the protein disulfide-active isomerase's site are](#) subsequently reduced as [a result of a second cysteine residue](#) in the substrate creating a stable disulfide bridge. ♦ Redox signaling A redox chaperone called PDI is involved in the control of vascular NADPH oxidase, phagosome formation, and host cell absorption of bacteria and viruses. In addition to being related to phagocyte NADPH oxidase, PDI is also essential for *L. chagasi* to successfully infect macrophages. Many pathogens, including [Mycobacterium tuberculosis, Salmonella typhimurium, Toxoplasma gondii, and particularly Leishmania spp. and Trypanosoma cruzi](#), can pass through or live in the phagosome [16]. ♦ Immune system PDI is a soluble homodimer without a transmembrane domain, like other ER chaperones. Moreover, it contains [the KDEL C-terminal sequence, which binds to certain receptors in COP](#) vesicles that migrate through the ER-Golgi region and recycles proteins back to the ER [17]. [Antigenic peptides are helped to bind onto MHC class I molecules by protein disulfide-isomerase](#). These molecules (MHC I) are connected to the display of peptides during the immunological reaction by antigen-presenting cells. ♦ Chaperone activity Another crucial role that protein disulfide-isomerase plays is chaperoning. One of the main functions of molecular chaperones is to prevent the buildup of proteins that are misfolded. Chaperones are a class of proteins that aid in the normal and stressed folding of proteins in the cell. They are both capable of recognizing and interacting with foreign proteins, which prevents unwanted protein aggregation [18]. Molecular chaperones play a variety of functions in bacterial cells, including assisting in protein release, [repairing proteins that have been harmed or misfolded by stresses](#) like [a heat shock](#), as well as preventing protein aggregation in reaction to a heat shock. Moreover, they support protein folding during and after translation of newly produced proteins. 4.7 Secondary Structure determination Using SOPMA, the protein's primary and secondary structural characteristics were identified. According to these calculations, the protein contains 35.29% alpha helix, 20.00% extended stands, 7.06% beta turns, and 37.65% random coils. The PRISPREP website, which presents a summary of comparable results, also double-checked the protein structural results. The putative protein's typical secondary structure (OHO18223.1) is displayed below. Figure 4.7.1. The positions of [the alpha helix, beta turn, extended strand, and random coil](#) are shown individually in this picture. Figure 4.7.2 Secondary structure of hypothetical protein 4.8 Three-dimensional structure prediction Using the template with the highest rating, the SWISS-MODEL server completed a 3D prediction with a 100% identification rate. Figure 4.8.1. 3D structure of Hypothetical protein 4.9 Tertiary Structure Validation and model Quality Assessment The quality of the 3D models [was evaluated using Prosa -web and the Saves v6.0 server](#). In [the Prosa -web server, z-score was](#) more common in the NMR than the x-ray regions. If the z-score [is within the range of](#) values frequently reported [for genuine proteins of a similar size, the model is of excellent quality](#); otherwise, the structure is incorrect. [The Prosa -web plot graph](#) shows that [the z-scores for PDB protein structures](#) vary from -1 to -13. A value more than 90% inside the permitted zone is shown on the rating from the statistics of the Ramachandran plot, with 94.8% of residues in the intended locations. Figure 4.9.1 Ramachandran plot statistics The average 3D-1D score of 82.41% of the remnants was superior to or equivalent to 0.1, demonstrating the moral uprightness and suitability of these structures. A verify3D score of higher than 80% denotes a high caliber model [19]. Figure 4.9.2 Verification of a 3d model via Verify3D 82.41% [of the residues have averaged 3D-ID score >=0.1](#) [The model's](#) projected Z -score of -6.07. The range of high-quality model's z -scores for protein structures that have been experimentally confirmed. Figure 4.9.3 The link between HP and other proteins is shown using the z-score, with HP showing as black dots and other proteins as grey. Score for z: -6.47 (Prosa server) Based on frequent atomic connections, Errat looked into the statistical distribution of non-bonded links among various atom types. The overall quality factor for this model was 99.4737%, which is regarded as exceptional. Use of high-resolution models with Errat values of 95% or higher is advocated [20]. Figure 4.9.4: The overall quality factor plot (Errat) of the original model is 99.474% accurate. Red denoted difficult, yellow denoted less problematic, and gray denoted non-problematic. The model was of good quality, according to the results of the overall quality assessment tests conducted by Errat, Prosa-web, verify3D, and Procheck ( Ramachandran Plot) Discussion Sequence taken from the NCBI database that is fictitious. The protein's physicochemical properties were then examined using ExPASy's ProtParam tool. It was determined that the protein had 255 amino acids, [a molecular weight of 26861.54, a theoretical pI of 5.68, and a grand average of hydropathicity \(GRAVY\): 0.097](#) value is positive, indicating that the protein is water soluble. The ability of PSIPRED to get an average Q3 score of 76.5% using a rigorous cross validation approach has been demonstrated [21]. The PSLpred server predicted a cytoplasmic protein (a protein located within the cytoplasm of a cell) as the subcellular location of the target protein, with an estimated accuracy of about 71.1%. The domain protein from the DsbG super family that is involved in protein-disulfide isomerase [posttranslational modification, protein turnover, chaperones] was discovered in the CD search with an E-value of  $4.11e-30$  and an interval of 56- 239. Using SOPMA, the protein's primary and secondary structural characteristics were identified. According to these calculations, the protein contains 35.29% alpha helix, 20.00% extended strands, 7.06% beta turns, and 37.65% random coils. Using the template with the highest rating, the SWISS-MODEL server completed a 3D prediction with a 100% identification rate. The quality of the 3D models was evaluated using Prosa -web and [the Saves v6.0 server](#). All three analyses— [Errat, Verify3d, and Ramachandran plot](#)—are available on the Saves v6.0 server. On the [Prosa-web server](#), our [z-score was](#) more common [in](#) the NMR than the x-ray regions. If the z-score [is within the range of](#) values normally seen [for genuine proteins of a similar size, the model is of outstanding quality](#); otherwise, the structure is incorrect. [The z-scores for PDB protein structures](#) range from -1 to -13, [according to the Prosa-web plot graph. The](#) excellent level of quality of Prosa is demonstrated by the model's projected z-score of -6.07. the range of high-quality models' z-scores for protein structures that have been experimentally confirmed. A value of more than 90% inside the permitted zone is shown on the Ramachandran map, suggesting a high-quality model [19]. The model received an excellent rating from the Ramachandran Plot Statistics, with 94.8% of residues in the intended locations. Tool check3D, The average 3D-1D score of 82.41% of the residues was greater than or equal to 0.1, demonstrating the moral uprightness and suitability of these structures. A Verify3D score of higher than 80% denotes a high caliber model [19]. Based on common atomic affiliations, Errat explored the 50 statistical distribution of non-bonded links across a wide range of atom categories. The overall quality factor for Errat was 99.4737%, indicating that the model was excellent. A high-resolution model with an Errat value of 95% or higher is recommended [22]. The model was of good quality, according to the results of the overall quality assessment tests conducted by Errat, Prosa-web, Verify3D, and Procheck (Ramachandran Plot). Here, WP 003415010 and our target protein OHO18223.1 are similar. 1 more closely;



