

The structure and function analysis of Cryptochrome

隐花色素蛋白结构和功能分析

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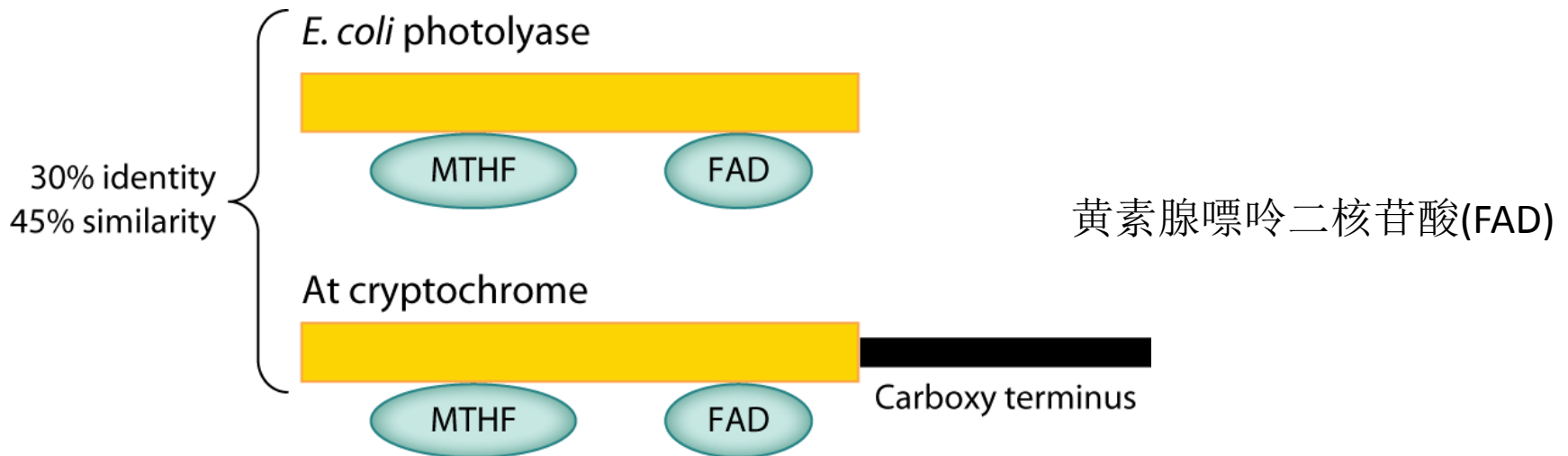
Background

Cryptochromes (隱花色素Cry) are a class of **blue light-sensitive flavoproteins** found in plants and animals

- The **circadian rhythms** of plants and animals
- The **sensing of magnetic fields** in a number of species

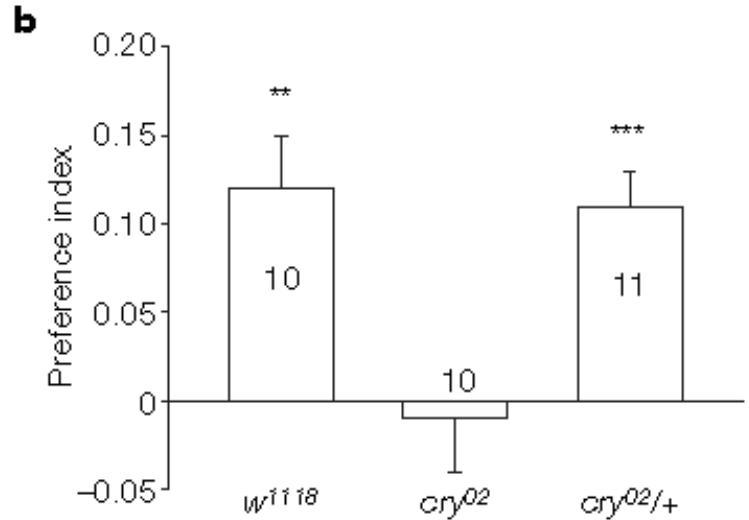
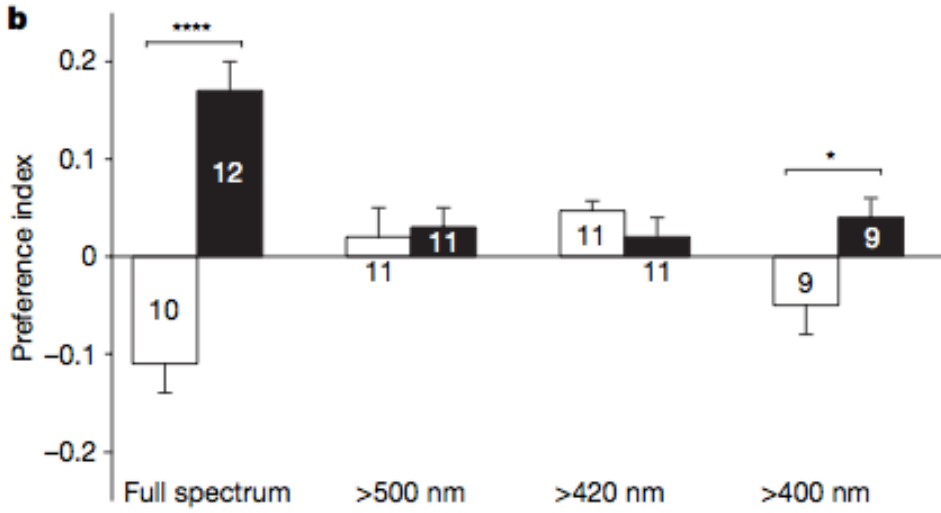
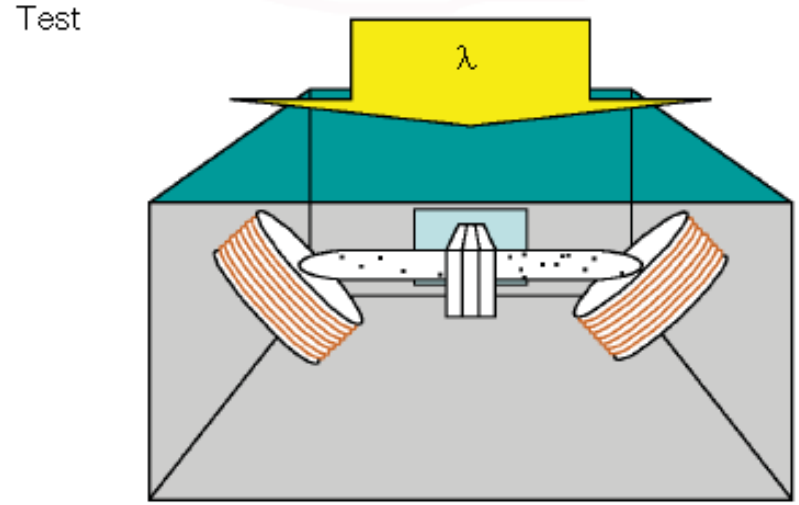
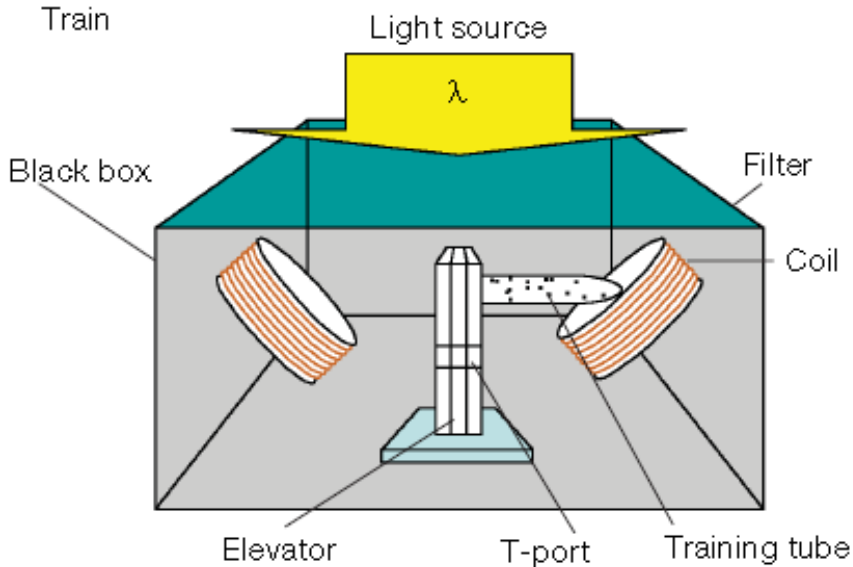
Cryptochrome

- The family of photolyases (光裂解酶) /cryptochromes:
- Cyclobutane pyrimidine dimer (CPD) photolyases
- (6–4) Pyrimidine-pyrimidone adduct photolyases
- Cryptochromes (CRY)



Cryptochrome mediates light-dependent magnetosensitivity in *Drosophila*

Cry蛋白调控果蝇光依赖性的地磁感应能力



Cryptochrome (Cry)

隐花色素

The magnetic compass of the European robin (*Erithacus rubecula*) has been extensively studied by Wiltschko et al. and others. Magnetic field effects in plants (*Arabidopsis thaliana*) have also been observed.



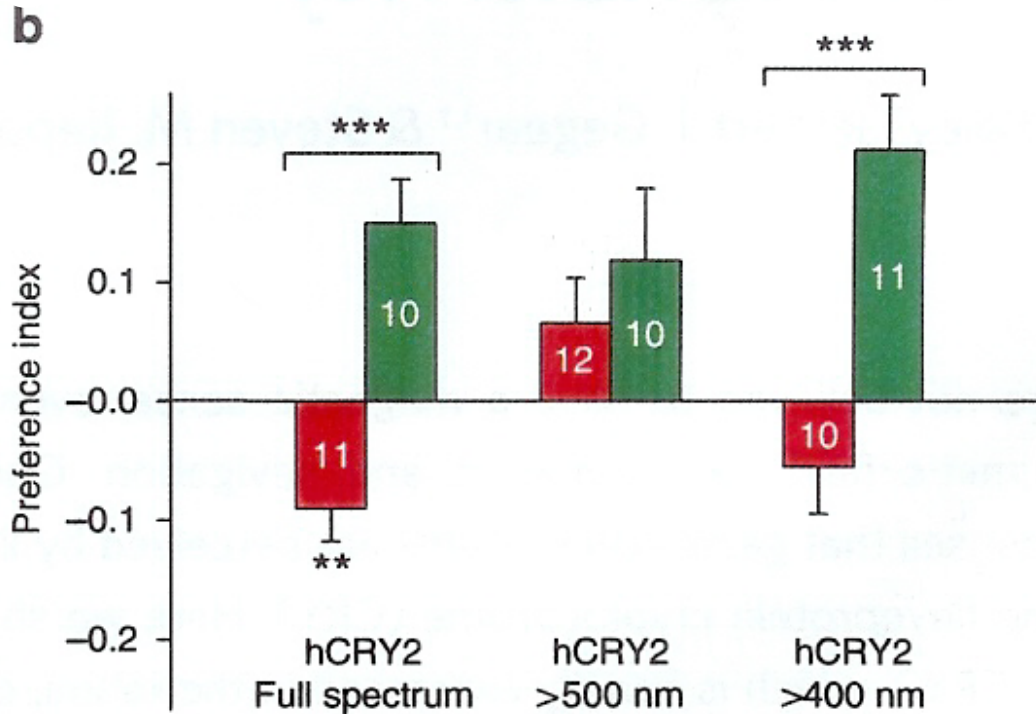
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Human Cryptochrome and Magnetic Sensing

人类Cry与地磁感应



Foley, Gegear & Reppert 2011
Nature Comm ncomms1364:

“Human
cryptochrome
exhibits light-
dependent
magnetosensitivity”

Findings:

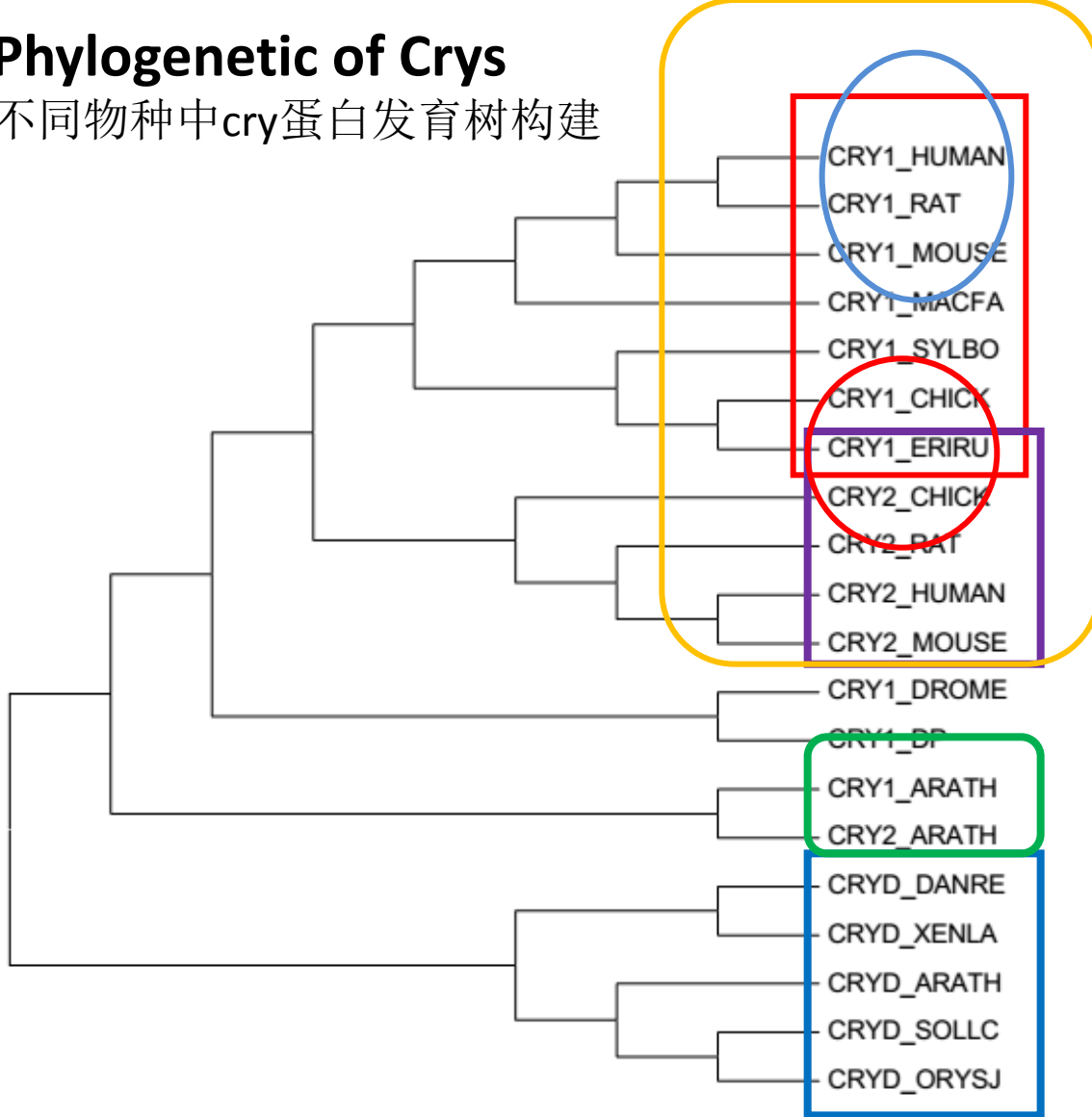
- (i) CRY-deficient flies showed no MF response;
- (ii) Human CRY-rescued flies showed light-dependent magnetosensitivity: positive response under full spectrum light was blocked at >500 nm but partially restored at >400 nm.

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Phylogenetic of Cry3

不同物种中cry蛋白发育树构建



• **CRY1** **CRY2** **CRYD**

• **Evolutionary distance**

Mammal **Birds**

• **Plants** vs **Animals**

High conservation
among different
species

Align: muscle

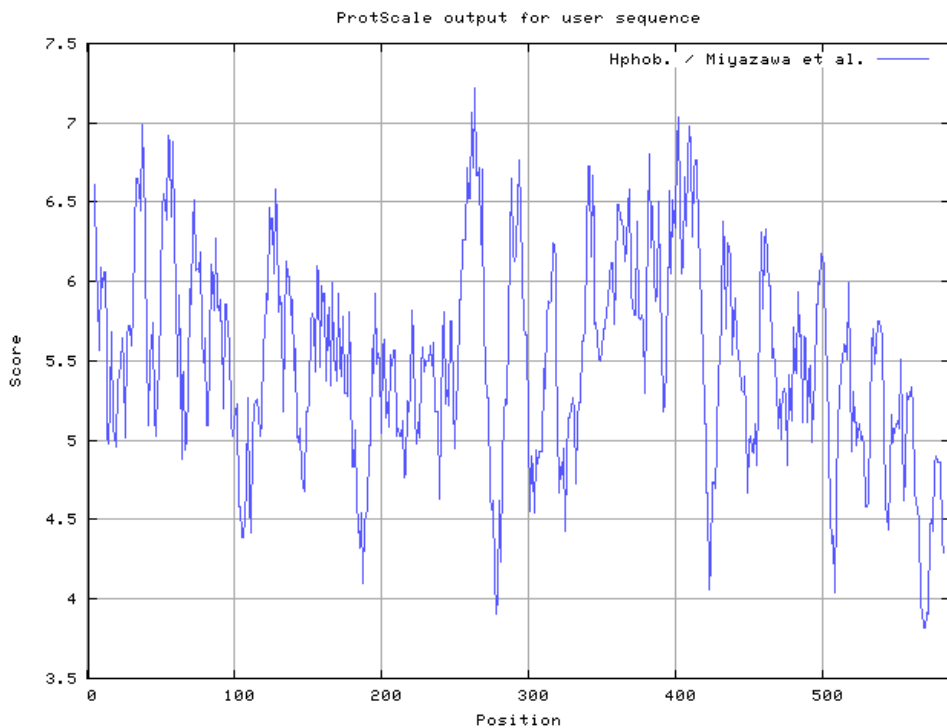
Phylogeny: Maximum likelihood

Test of Phylogeny: Bootstrap

by MEGA and Uniprot

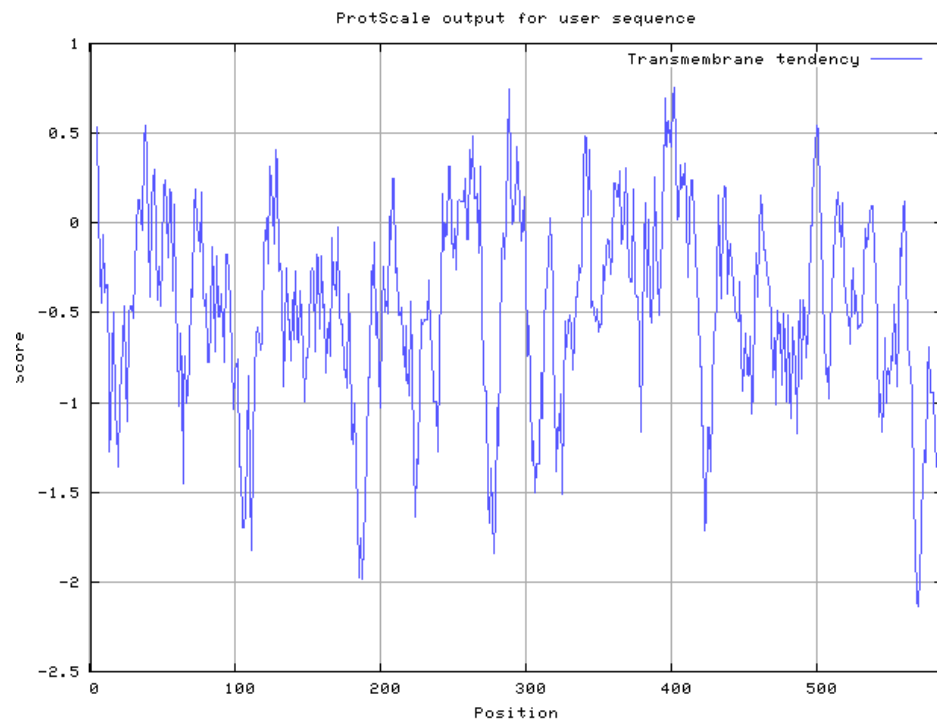
亲疏水

Hphob. / Miyazawa et al



跨膜预测

Transmembrane tendency



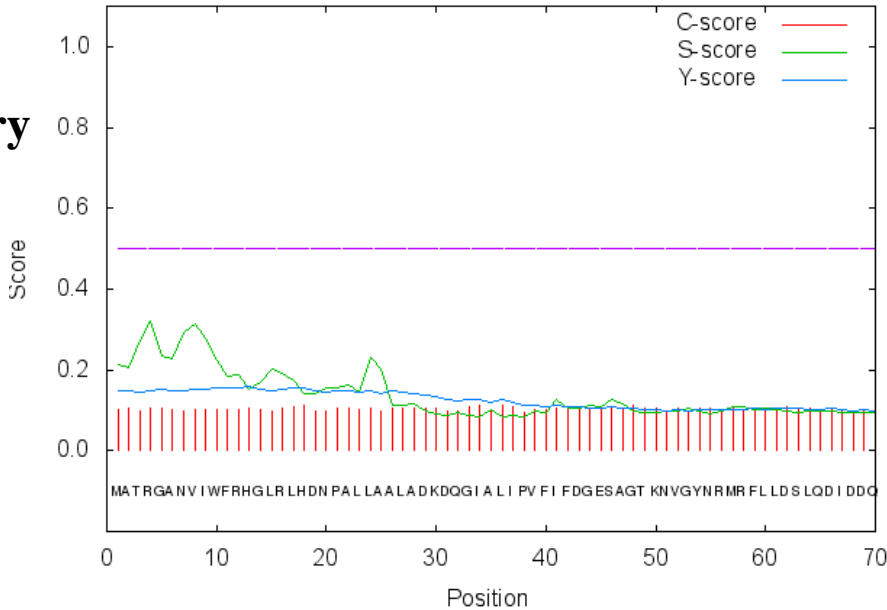
hCRY蛋白

By ExpASy

Signal Protein

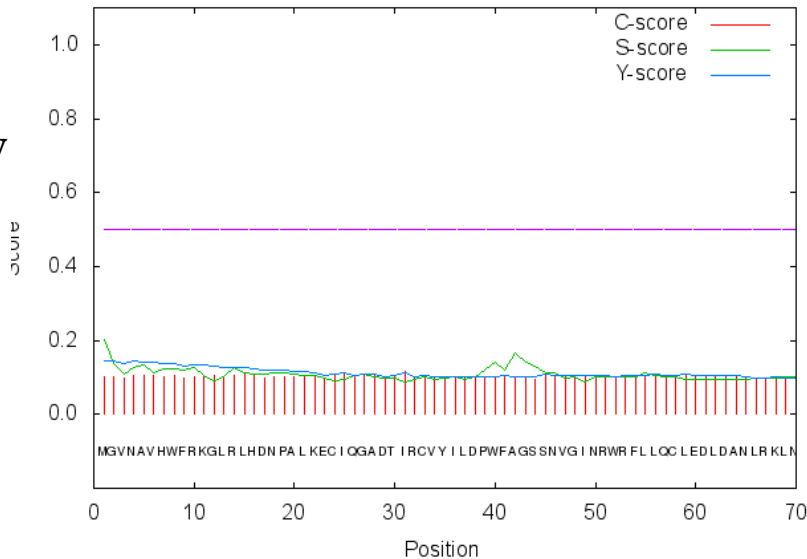
SignalP-4.1 prediction (euk networks): gi_24648152_ref_NP_732407.1_

dCry



SignalP-4.1 prediction (euk networks): gi_4758072_ref_NP_004066.1_

hCry



Subcellular location

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### targetp v1.1 prediction results #####
Number of query sequences: 1
Cleavage site predictions not included.
Using NON-PLANT networks.
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Name	Len	mTP	SP	other	Loc	RC
sp_077059_CRY1_DROME	542	0.497	0.094	0.270	M	4
cutoff		0.000	0.000	0.000		

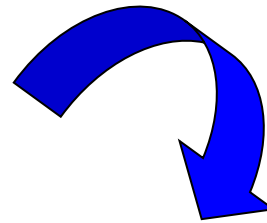
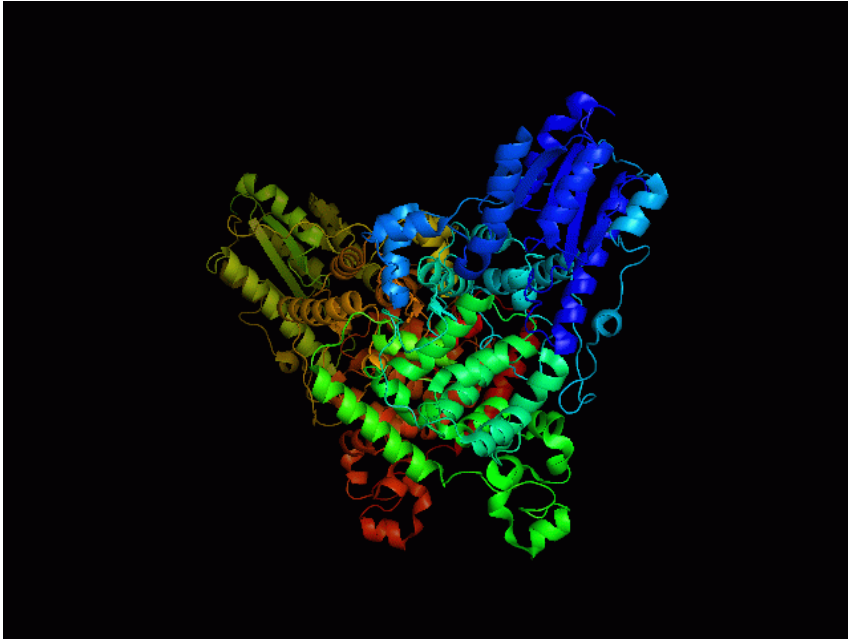
M指的线粒体 (mTP)
S指的分泌途径 (SP)
其他位置 (other)

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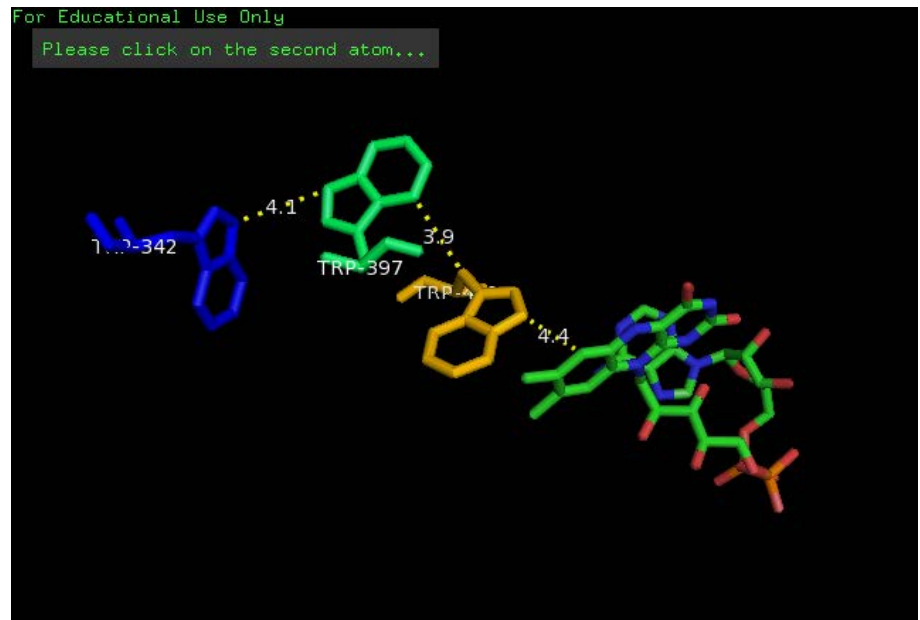
Name	Len	mTP	SP	other	Loc	RC
Sequence	7	0.057	0.032	0.974	_	1
cutoff		0.000	0.000	0.000		

By SignalP 4.1 Server and TargetP 1.1 Server

3D structure of dCry



FAD 与色氨酸三联体

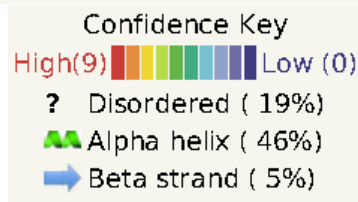
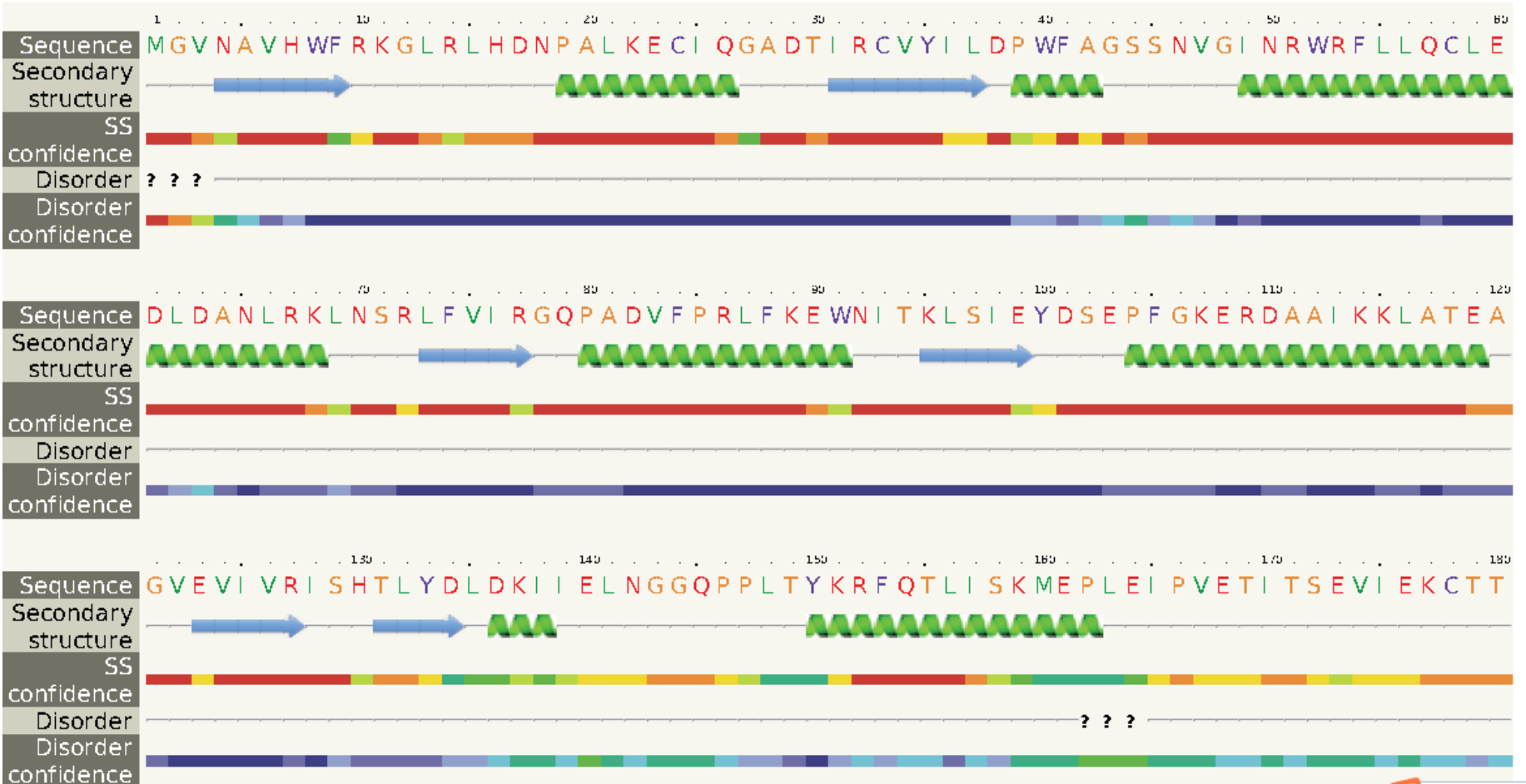


By Pymol

感磁机制：自由基电子对假说

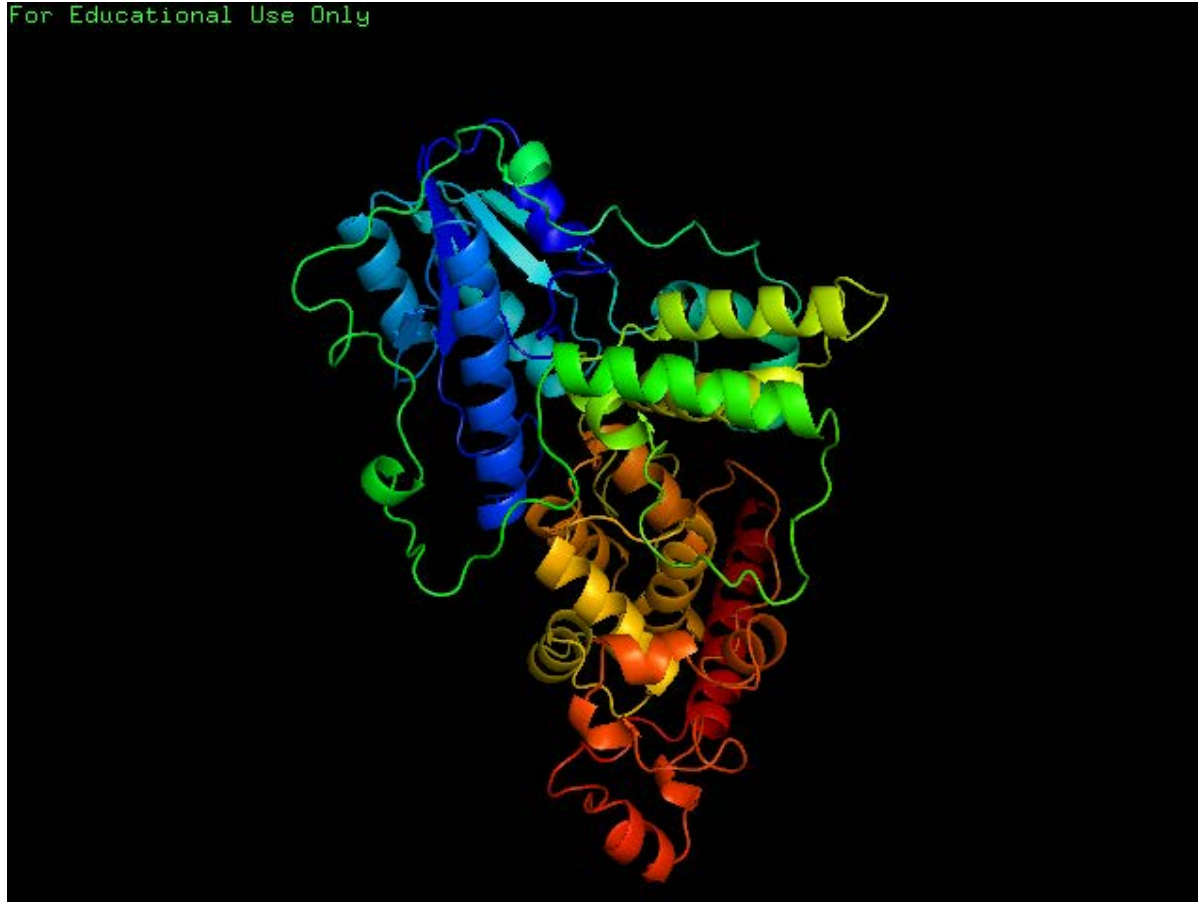
Secondary structure prediction of hCry

hCRY蛋白二级结构预测



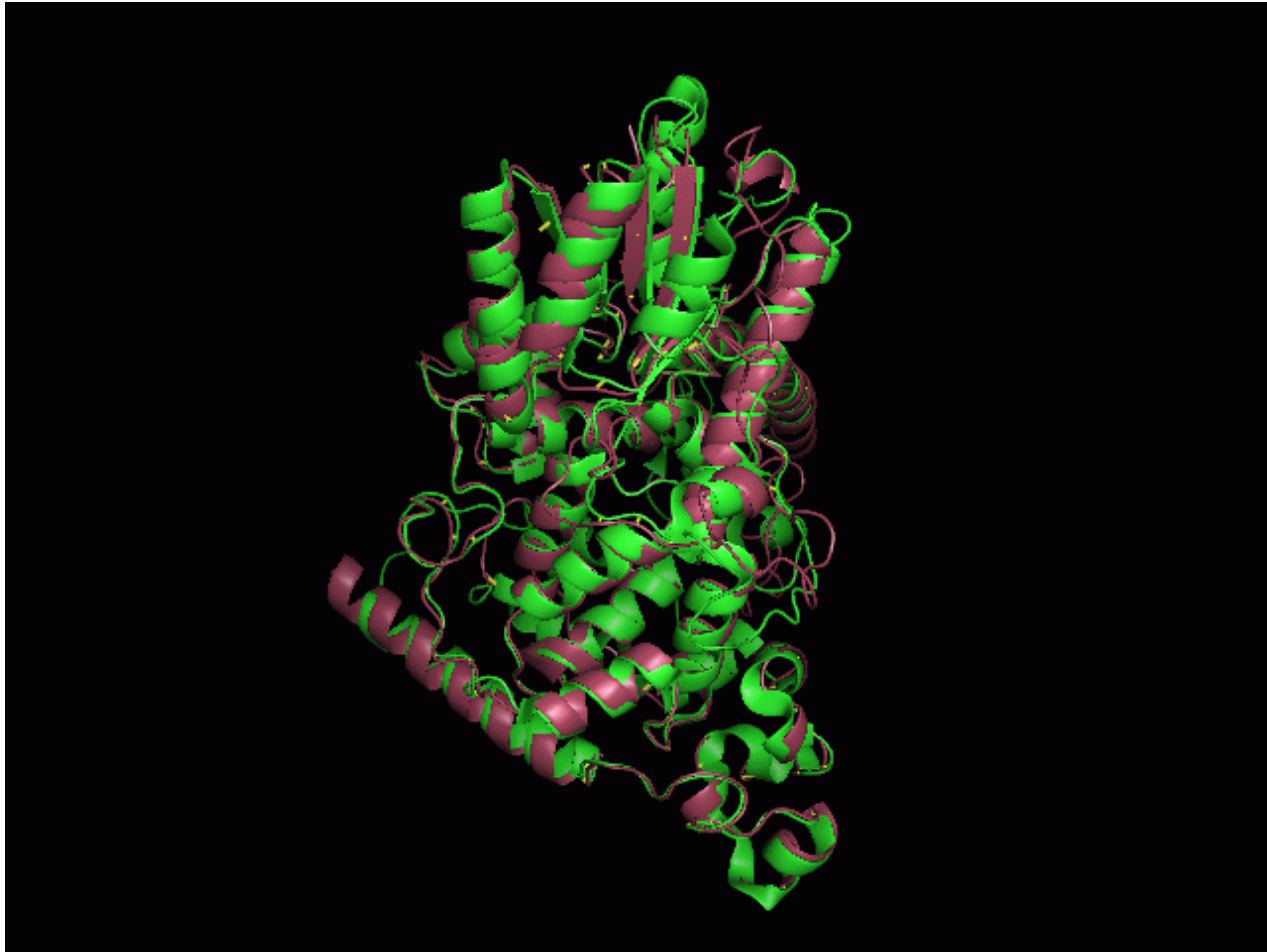
Predicted 3D structure of hCry

hCRY蛋白3D结构预测



Alignment of dCry and hCry

人和果蝇Cry蛋白3D结构的比对

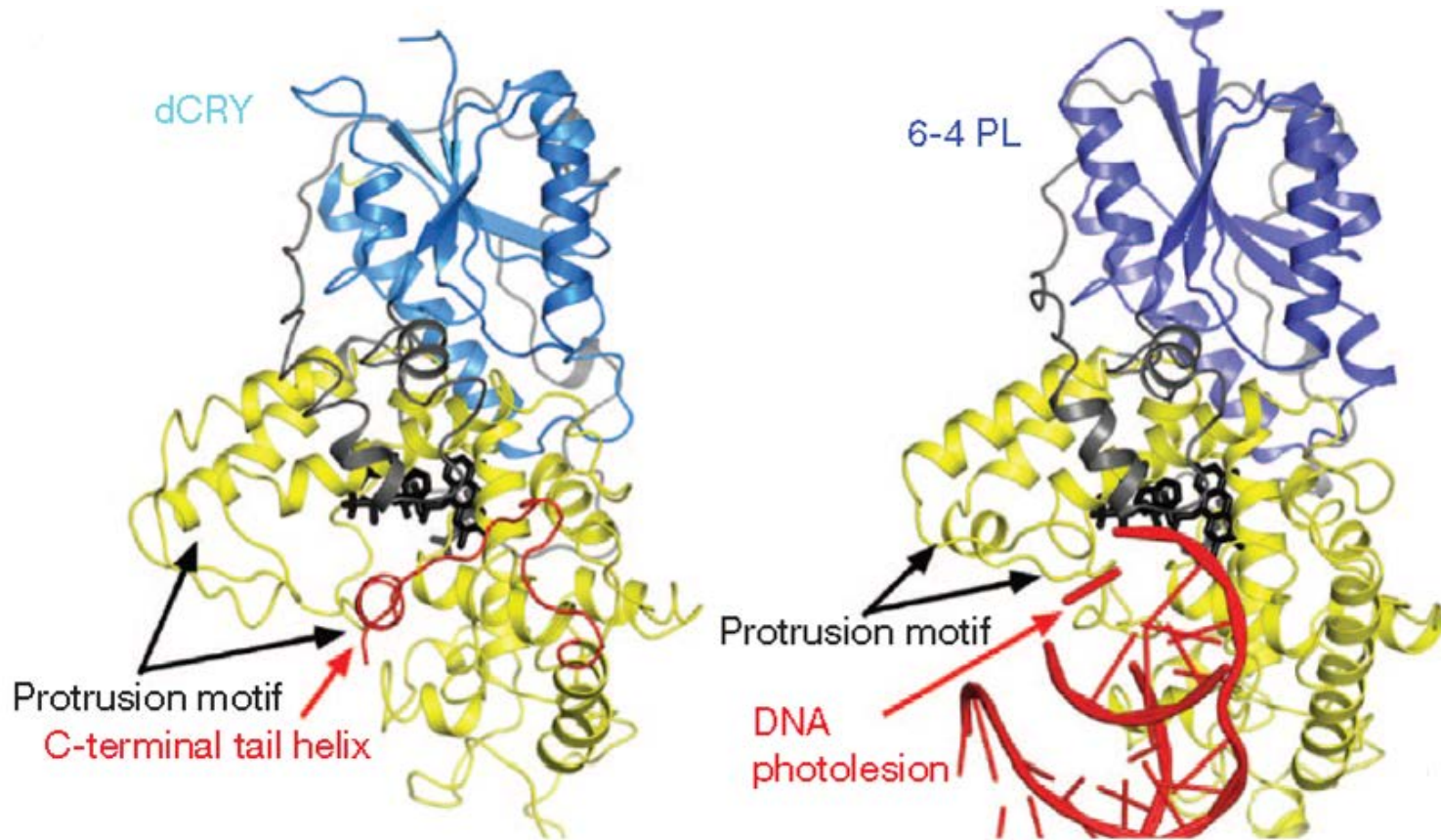


green:dCry
purple:hCry

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Comparison of dCRY and 6-4 dPL



Cry无诱导的DNA 损伤修复功能
dPL没有磁感应的能力

blue:N-terminal α/β domain
yellow:C-terminal helical domain
grey:linker

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- CRY has **high conservation** among species
- The **similarity** of hCRY and dCRY is high, while the role of hCRY in human is **still unknown**
- By comparing the 3D structure of dCRY with 6-4 dPL, suggested the **family relationship**

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