

Resource Summary Report

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Membrane Protein Explorer

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Resource Information

URL: <http://blanco.biomol.uci.edu/mpex/>

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Description: Software which predicts topology and other features of membrane proteins through hydropathy plots based on thermodynamic and biological principles. This version of MPEx uses two types of hydropathy scales: Experiment-based whole-residue partitioning scales and experiment-based biological partitioning scales. The whole-residue partitioning scales predict the transmembrane (TM) segments of membrane proteins of known structure. The biological scale utilizes current knowledge of the code the Sec61 translocon to identify TM segments. MPEx is a Java program (not a Java applet) deployed using Java Web Start, which is part of the Java Runtime Environment.

Abbreviations: MPEx

Synonyms: Membrane Protein Explorer (MPEx)

Resource Type: data processing software, data analysis software, software application, software resource

Defining Citation: [PMID:19785006](#)

Keywords: membrane protein, hydropathy plot, topology, software, java, bio.tools

Availability: Available to the research community, Requires version 7 or higher of Java Runtime Environment

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Alternate IDs: biotools:mpex

Alternate URLs: <https://bio.tools/mpex>

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Ratings and Alerts

No rating or validation information has been found for Membrane Protein Explorer.

No alerts have been found for Membrane Protein Explorer.

Data and Source Information

Source: [SciCrunch Registry](#)

Usage and Citation Metrics

We found 34 mentions in open access literature.

Listed below are recent publications. The full list is available at [RRID](#) .

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