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演題 : Computational methods for understanding and predicting the folding rates of proteins and mutants

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Protein folding rate is a measure of slow/fast folding of proteins from the unfolded state to its native three-dimensional structure. Prediction of protein folding rates from amino acid sequences is one of the most important challenging tasks, similar to protein folding problem (1). In this talk, I will briefly introduce the concept of protein folding rates and their relationship with structural parameters such as contact order, long-range order and multiple contact index obtained from protein three-dimensional structures (2-4). Although these structure based parameters are highly correlated with experimental folding rates their role in predicting the folding rates upon mutations is limited. Hence, we have developed novel statistical methods for discriminating the accelerating and decelerating mutants upon amino acid mutations (5) and predicting the folding rates upon mutations (6). Recently, we have explored the importance of classifying the mutants based on the location of mutants, which enhanced the correlation significantly (7). The salient features of the results will be discussed.

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