

Supplemental Table 1: Eterna100 Benchmark

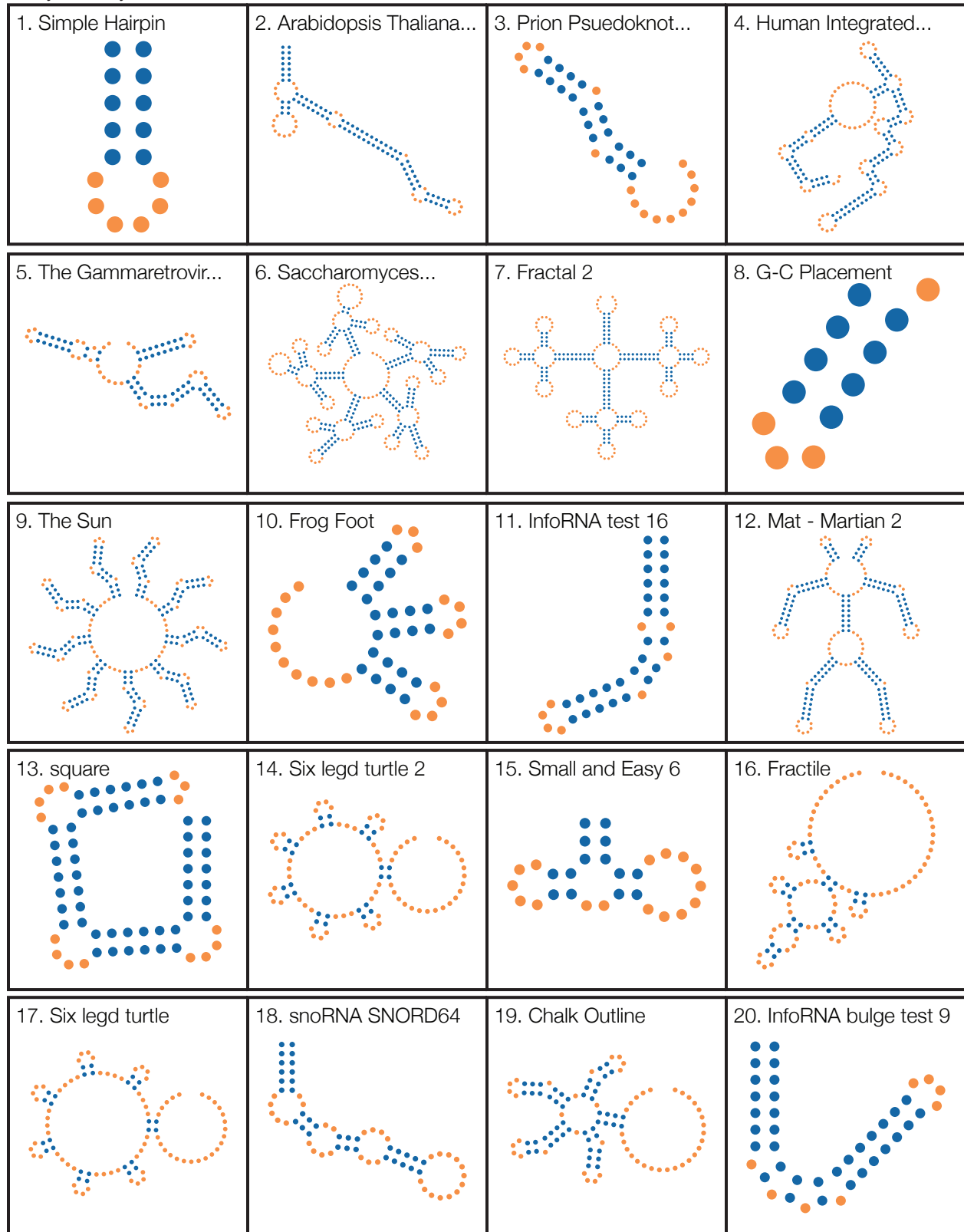
This table provides details of the Eterna100 benchmark, with puzzle number, name, Eterna ID, author, and secondary structure string. The solvers column indicates how many participants of the study were able to solve the problem under specific user-defined constraints, as of July 22, 2015. As the six tested algorithms ignored these constraints, the number of solvers might not be an accurate measure of the overall problem difficulty. The Teslagon puzzle only has 1 solver, as no participants other than the puzzle's original creator have yet found a solution. Additionally, sample solutions can be found in Dataset S2.

| # | Puzzle Name | Eterna ID | Author | Secondary Structure | Solvers |
|---|---|-----------|---------|---|---------|
| 1 | Simple Hairpin | 20111 | Sneh | (((.....))) | 59723 |
| 2 | Arabidopsis Thaliana 6 RNA - Difficulty Level 0 | 215430 | Sneh | (((.....))) ..)))))) | 22230 |
| 3 | Prion Pseudoknot - Difficulty Level 0 | 15819 | Sneh | (((.....)))..... | 15727 |
| 4 | Human Integrated Adenovirus - Difficulty Level 0 | 15886 | Sneh | (((.....))).....(((.....))).....(((.....))).....(((.....))).....(((.....))).....(((.....)))..... | 13427 |
| 5 | The Gammaretrovirus Signal - Difficulty Level 0 | 15847 | Sneh | ..(.....)).....(((.....))).....(((.....)))..... | 10304 |
| 6 | Saccharomyces Cerevisiae - Difficulty Level 0 | 17811 | Sneh | (((.....))).....(((.....))).....(((.....))).....(((.....))).....(((.....))).....(((.....))).....(((.....))).....(((.....))).....(((.....))).....(((.....))).....(((.....)))..... | 3252 |
| 7 | Fractal 2 | 13687 | pkinney |(((.....))).....(((.....))).....(((.....)))..... (.....)).....(((.....))).....(((.....)))..... (.....)).....(((.....))).....(((.....)))..... | 365 |

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|-----------|---|-------------|------------------|--|----|
| 40 | Tripod5 | 903842 | janderso nlee | ..(((((((.....))))((((.....)))))).. | 84 |
| 41 | Shortie 6 | 997391 | Eli Fisker | ((.....)-(.....)-(.....)-(.....)-(.....)) | 80 |
| 42 | Runner | 888104 | Yoshi789 |(((((((.....((((.....))))))..(((.....))))))..(((.....))))..(((.....))))..(((.....)))).. | 78 |
| 43 | Recoil | 969361 | largevee |(((((((.....((((.....))))))..(((.....))))))..(((.....))))..(((.....)))).. | 78 |
| 44 | [CloudBeta] An Arm and a Leg 1.0 | 232025 9 | kcabral28 |(((((((.....))))((((.....))))))..(((.....))))..(((.....)))).. | 78 |
| 45 | [CloudBeta] 5 Adjacent Stack Multi-Branch Loop | 232287 9 | Brouard | (((((((((.....))))((((.....))))))((((.....))))((((.....)))))).. | 78 |
| 46 | Triple Y | 481598 | Quasispe cies |(((((((.....))))((((.....))))))((((.....))))((((.....)))).. | 76 |
| 47 | Misfolded Aptamer | 683941 | starryjess | (((((.....((((.....))))((.....)).....)).....)) | 72 |
| 48 | Flower power | 188495 9 | ariel19_8 |(((((((.....))))((((.....))))..(((.....))))..(((.....)))).. | 72 |
| 49 | Kudzu | 458872 | Quasispe cies |(((((((.....((((.....))))))((((.....))))..(((.....))))..(((.....)))).. | 59 |
| 50 | 1,2,3and4bulges | 737448 | Edward Lane |(((((((.....))))..(((.....))))..(((.....))))..(((.....)))).. | 58 |
| 51 | medallion | 139897 4 | mspano | (((((.....((((.....))))..(((.....))))..(((.....))))..(((.....))))..(((.....)))).. | 55 |
| 52 | [RNA] Repetitious Sequences 8/10 | 314414 4 | paramodi c | ..(((.....((((.....))))..(((.....))))..(((.....)))).. | 52 |
| 53 | Documenting | 319498 | paramodi |(((((((.....))))..(((.....))))..(((.....)))).. | 51 |

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|------|----------------------------|----------------|-----------------|----|
| Bond | | | | |
| 68 | Taraxacum officinale | 188712 1 9 | ariel19_8 | 30 |
| 69 | Headless Bug on Windshield | 461805 | Quasispecies | 29 |
| 70 | Pokeball | 241850 7 45 | rnjensen | 29 |
| 71 | Variation of a crop circle | 972844 | jboanmit | 28 |
| 72 | Loop next to a Multiloop | 472262 | Brouard | 27 |
| 73 | Snowflake 4 | 415914 | Ding | 26 |
| 74 | Mat - Cuboid | 450940 | mat747 | 26 |
| 75 | Misfolded Aptamer 6 | 708346 | starryjess | 24 |
| 76 | Snowflake 3 | 415093 | Ding | 23 |
| 77 | Hard Y and a bit more | 443518 | Joshua Weitzman | 23 |
| 78 | Mat - Lot 2-2 B | 451142 | mat747 | 23 |

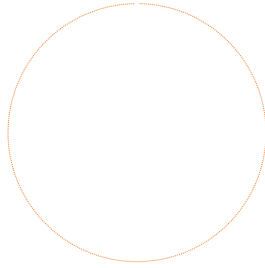
Supplemental Figure 1: Secondary structures for each of the design challenges in the EteRNA100 benchmark are shown below, where orange and blue represent unpaired and paired nucleotides, respectively. Each design challenge's id is displayed at the top left for reference, along with part of the design challenge's name. The 5' end is always directly to the left of the 3' end.



21. Tilted Russian Cross



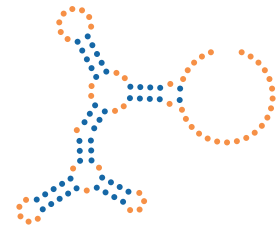
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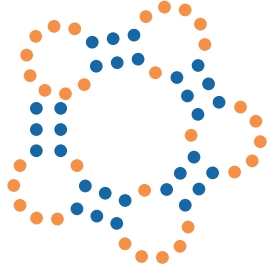
23. Shortie 4



24. Shape Test



25. The Ministry



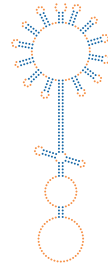
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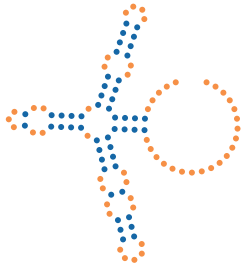
27. U



28. Still Life...



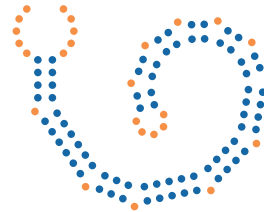
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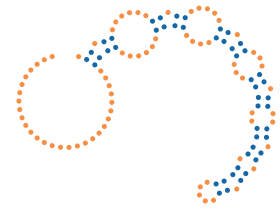
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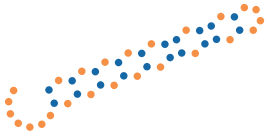
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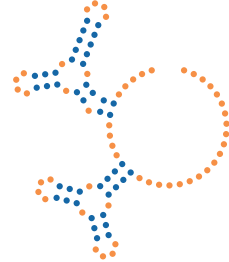
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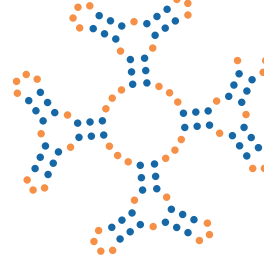
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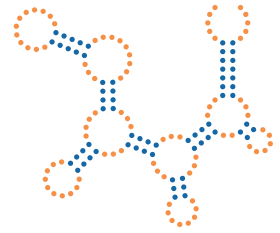
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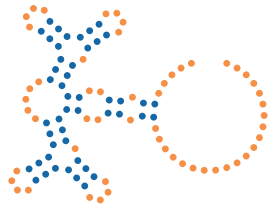
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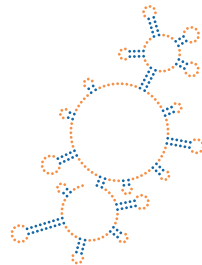
36. loops and stems



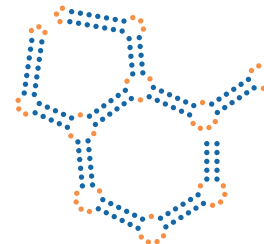
37. Water Strider



38. The Turtle(s) Move(s)



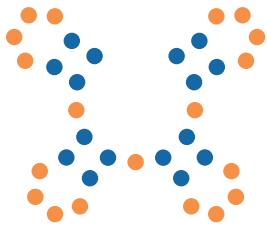
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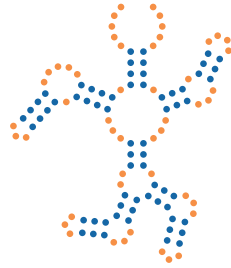
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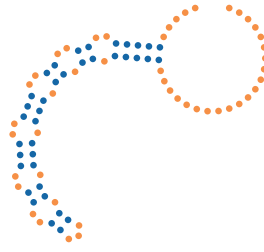
41. Shortie 6



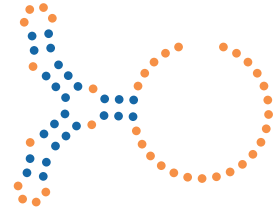
42. Runner



43. Recoil



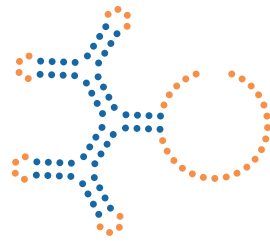
44. [CloudBeta] An Arm...



45. [CloudBeta] 5 Adj...



46. Triple Y



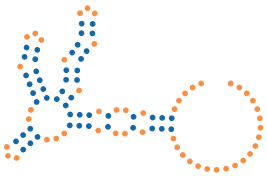
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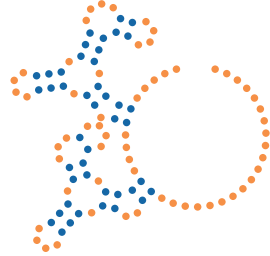
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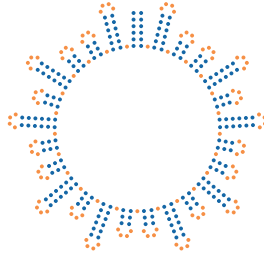
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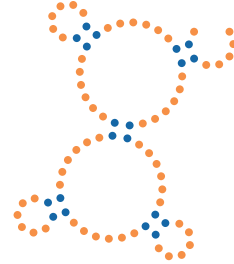
50. 1,2,3and4bulges



51. medallion



52. [RNA] Repetitious...



53. Documenting repe...



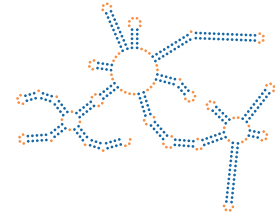
54. 7 multiloop



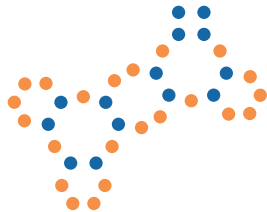
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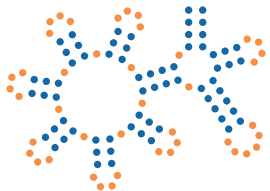
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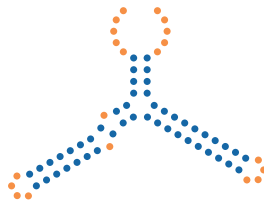
57. multilooping fun



58. Multiloop...



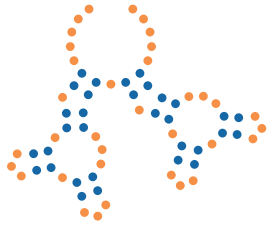
59. hard Y



60. Mat - Elements...



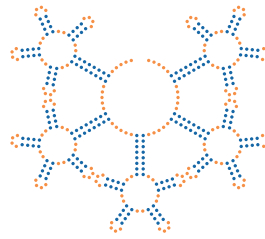
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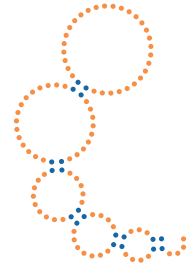
62. Bug 18



63. Fractal star x5



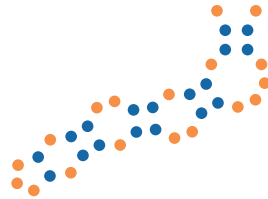
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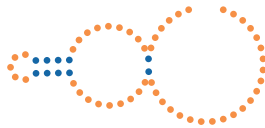
65. Branching Loop



66. Bug 38



67. Simple Single Bond



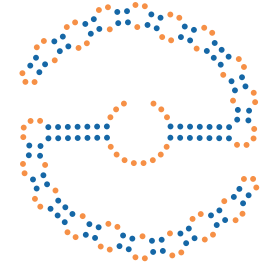
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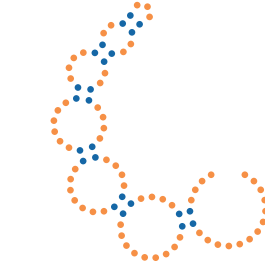
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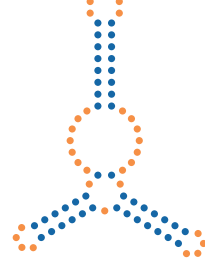
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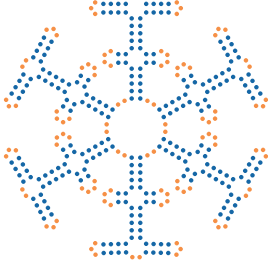
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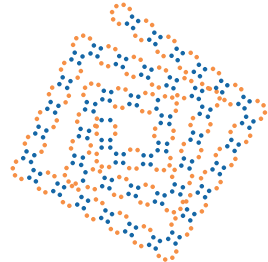
72. Loop next to a...



73. Snowflake 4



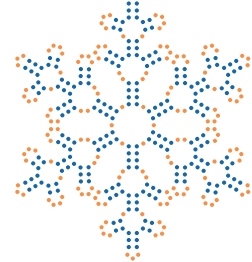
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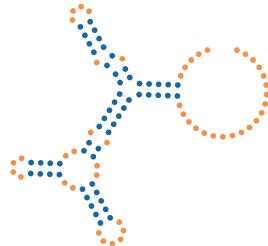
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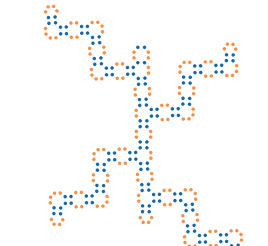
76. Snowflake 3



77. Hard Y and a bit more



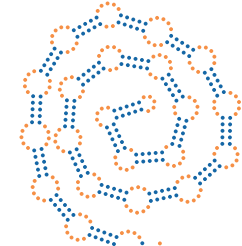
78. Mat - Lot 2-2 B



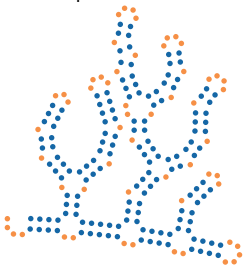
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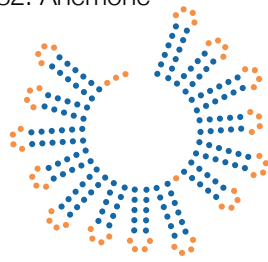
80. Spiral of 5's



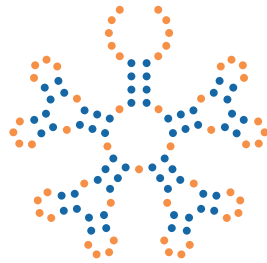
81. Campfire



82. Anemone



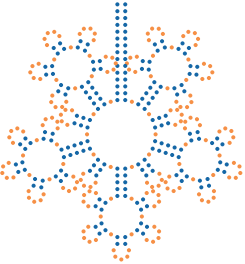
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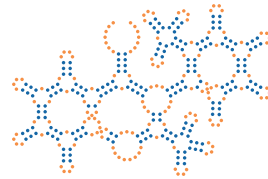
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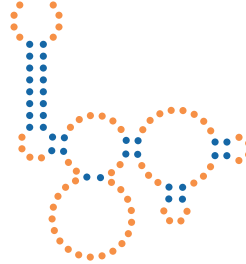
85. Snowflake Necklace...



86. Methaqualone...



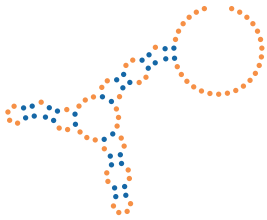
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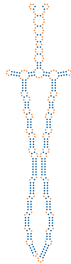
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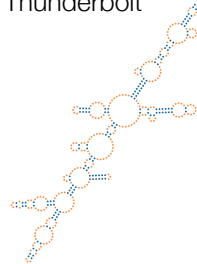
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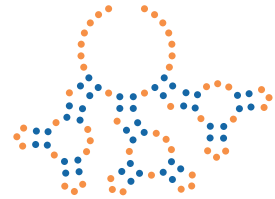
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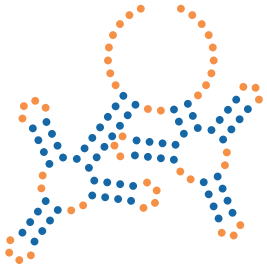
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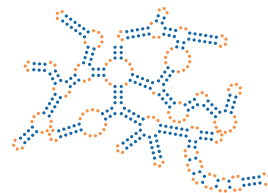
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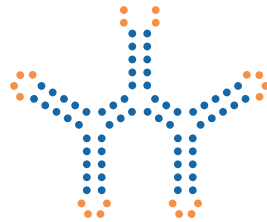
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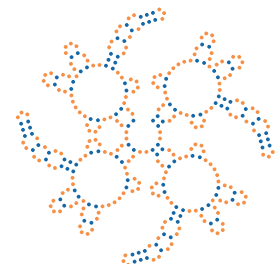
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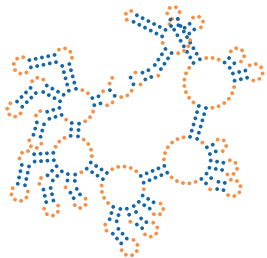
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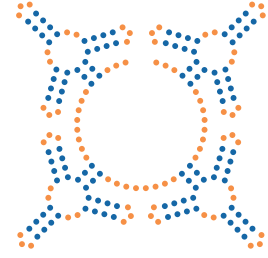
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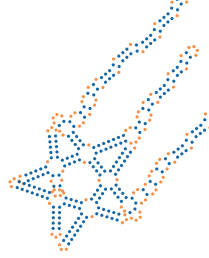
97. Hoglafractal



98. Bullseye



99. Shooting Star



100. Teslagon

