## HIV-1 tropism prediction by the XGboost and HMM methods

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Figure S1. Two sample logos for R5 and X4-using tropic sequences.



**Figure S2. Distribution of V3 loop sequence scores calculated from the XGBpred and HMMpred methods on the G2p\_str, Hivcopred and CM datasets.** The score distribution of the R5 tropic sequences is shown in blue, that of X4 is carmine and that of dual is yellow.

**Table S1. Construction of the HMMpred method.** Performances of the HMMpred method based on different HMM models on the Newdb dataset in a same 10-fold cross validation test (threshold = 1.0). Notes: <sup>a</sup>The full HMM model: transition allowed from  $D_j$  to  $I_j$  or from  $I_j$  to  $D_{j+1}$ . <sup>b</sup>The MSA generated by EMBOSS was manually adjusted to 35 match states. <sup>c</sup>No emission allowed in insertion states. <sup>d</sup>The HMMER model: no transition allowed from  $D_j$  to  $I_j$  or from  $I_j$  to  $D_{j+1}$ . <sup>e</sup>Regardless of background frequencies. <sup>\*</sup>The final HMM model used in this study.

Model	Sensitivity	Specificity	Accuracy	MCC	AUC
Full <sup>a</sup>	92.76%	67.57%	87.19%	0.6194	0.8659
Full_MSA <sup>ab</sup>	92.42%	67.87%	86.99%	0.6153	0.8669
I_emission <sup>abc</sup>	92.21%	66.21%	86.46%	0.5983	0.8628
HMMER <sup>bd</sup>	91.18%	69.38%	86.36%	0.6046	0.8686
No_back1 <sup>abe</sup>	92.89%	69.08%	87.63%	0.6335	0.8764
No_back2 <sup>bde*</sup>	92.03%	70.29%	87.22%	0.6270	0.8774

**Table S2. Construction of the XGBpred method.** Performances of the XGBpred method based on different and combination of feature sets on the Newdb dataset in a same 10-fold cross validation test at the sensitivity of 91.78%. Notes: <sup>a</sup>20-dimensional amino acid composition feature set. <sup>b</sup>Split amino acid composition feature sets: <sup>b1</sup>40-d split amino acid composition; and <sup>b2</sup>combining with 1-d full net charge; and <sup>b3</sup>combing with 6-d full and split net charges and hydropath; <sup>b4</sup>60-d split amino acid composition. <sup>c3</sup>5-d alignment score feature sets: using blocks substitution matrix <sup>c1</sup>BLOSUM62, <sup>c2</sup>BLOSUM90 or <sup>c3</sup>BLOSUM100, respectively. <sup>bc</sup>Combinational feature sets of 40-d

split amino acid composition and 35-d alignment score features. <sup>ac</sup>Combinational feature sets of 20-d amino acid composition and 35-d alignment score features. <sup>d</sup>400-d dipeptide composition feature set. <sup>dc</sup>Combinational feature sets of 400-d dipeptide composition and 35-d alignment score features. <sup>\*</sup>The final feature set used in the XGBpred method.

Features	Specificity	Accuracy	MCC	AUC
20d <sup>a</sup>	76.02%	88.29%	0.6664	0.9151
40d <sup>b1</sup>	80.84%	89.36%	0.7029	0.9256
40d1d <sup>b1</sup>	82.50%	89.69%	0.7146	0.9267
$40d2d^{b2}$	82.35%	89.69%	0.7142	0.9250
40d6d <sup>b3</sup>	79.79%	89.13%	0.6950	0.9180
60d <sup>b4</sup>	82.20%	89.66%	0.7131	0.9324
35d (B62) <sup>c1</sup>	83.56%	89.96%	0.7232	0.9324
35d (B90) <sup>c2</sup>	82.35%	89.69%	0.7142	0.9339
35d (B100) <sup>c3</sup>	84.01%	90.06%	0.7266	0.9386
40d35d (B100) <sup>bc</sup>	84.62%	90.19%	0.7310	0.9413
40d35d (B90) <sup>bc</sup>	83.56%	89.96%	0.7232	0.9371
20d35d (B100) <sup>ac</sup>	83.86%	90.03%	0.7254	0.9370
400d <sup>d</sup>	82.96%	89.83%	0.7187	0.9432
400d35d (B100) <sup>dc*</sup>	84.62%	90.19%	0.7310	0.9465

Dataset	Rule	Sensitivity	Specificity	Accuracy	MCC
Nowdh	11/25	94.90%	50.53%	85.09%	0.5260
Newab	11/25/5	93.79%	57.92%	85.86%	0.5630
C2m str	11/25	94.86%	54.42%	87.54%	0.5459
G2p_str	11/25/5	93.83%	59.53%	87.63%	0.5630
Uliveenned	11/25	95.26%	47.80%	83.81%	0.5166
Hivcopred	11/25/5	94.40%	54.14%	84.63%	0.5492
cm	11/25	95.03%	61.23%	90.93%	0.5695
	11/25/5	93.84%	72.00%	91.19%	0.6168

Table S3. Performance of the 11/25 and 11/25/5 rules on different datasets.

**Table S4. Performance of stacking based meta methods.** Performance of stacking based XGBpred methods in a same 10-fold cross validation test at the sensitivity of 91.78%, 93.73%, 88.97% and 95.54% on the Newdb, G2p\_str, Hivcopred and CM datasets, respectively. Notes: <sup>a</sup>3-d XGBpred, Hivcopred and HMMpred score feature set. <sup>b</sup>Combinational feature sets of 400-d dipeptide composition, 35-d alignment score features, and 2-d Hivcopred and HMMpred score features. <sup>c</sup>Combinational feature sets of 400-d dipeptide composition, 35-d alignment score features (considering the poor performance of HMMpred).

Dataset	Method	Specificity	Accuracy	MCC	AUC
Newdb	3d <sup>a</sup>	84.62%	90.19%	0.7310	0.9453
Newdb	435d2d <sup>b</sup>	84.31%	90.13%	0.7288	0.9362
	435d1d <sup>c</sup>	83.56%	89.96%	0.7232	0.9326
G2p_str	3d	73.49%	90.07%	0.6674	0.8978
	435d2d	73.02%	89.98%	0.6640	0.8993
	435d1d	72.09%	89.81%	0.6570	0.9040
	3d	89.07%	88.99%	0.7303	0.9467
Hivcopred	435d2d	85.54%	88.14%	0.7032	0.9409
	435d1d	86.60%	88.39%	0.7114	0.9392
СМ	3d	95.08%	95.48%	0.8185	0.9778
	435d2d	94.77%	95.45%	0.8165	0.9782
	435d1d	94.15%	95.37%	0.8126	0.9797

Table S5. Dependence of results generated by XGBpred, Hivcopred andHMMpred. Pearson correlation analysis and statistical hypothesis test (two-tailed t-test by SPSS) for samples predicted wrongly by the XGBpred method.

Datasat		XGBpred		
Dataset	Methous	XGBpred   Pearson correlation   0.578   0.506   0.506   0.657   0.741   0.578   0.488   0.642   0.516	P value	
Novdb	Hivcopred	0.578	<0.01	
INEWUD	HMMpred	0.578 0.506 0.657 0.741	<0.01	
G2p_str	Hivcopred	0.657	<0.01	
	HMMpred	0.741	<0.01	
Hivcopred	Hivcopred	0.578	<0.01	
	HMMpred	0.488	< 0.01	
СМ	Hivcopred	0.642	< 0.01	
	HMMpred	0.516	< 0.01	