

Reproducibility report for: Remote homology search with hidden Potts models

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Curation outcome summary: Successfully recreated the results associated with Table 2 for the Twister ribozyme, tRNA and SAM Riboswitch.

Box 1: Criteria for repeatability and reproducibility

■ Model source code provided:

- Source code: a standard procedural language is used (e.g. MATLAB, Python, C)
 - There are details/documentation on how the source code was compiled
 - There are details on how to run the code in the provided documentation
 - The initial conditions are provided for each of the simulations
 - Details for creating reported graphical results from the simulation results
- Source code: a declarative language is used (e.g. SBML, CellML, NeuroML)
 - The algorithms used are defined or cited in previous articles
 - The algorithm parameters are defined
 - Post-processing of the results are described in sufficient detail

Executable model provided:

- The model is executable without source (e.g. desktop application, compiled code, online service)
 - There are sufficient details to repeat the required simulation experiments

■ The model is described mathematically in the article(s):

- Equations representing the biological system
- There are tables or lists of parameter values
- There are tables or lists of initial conditions
- Machine-readable tables of parameter values
- Machine-readable tables of initial conditions

The simulation experiments using the model are described mathematically in the article:

- Integration algorithms used are defined
- Stochastic algorithms used are defined
- Random number generator algorithms used are defined
- Parameter fitting algorithms are defined
- The paper indicates how the algorithms yield the desired output

Box 2: Criteria for accessibility

- Model/source code is available at a public repository or researcher's web site
 - Prohibitive license provided
 - Permissive license provided
 - Open-source license provided
- All initial conditions and parameters are provided
- All simulation experiments are fully defined (events listed, collection times and measurements specified, algorithms provided, simulator specified, etc.)

Box 3: Rules for Credible practice of Modeling and Simulation^a

^aModel credibility is assessed using the Interagency Modeling and Analysis Group conformance rubric:
<https://www.imagwiki.nibib.nih.gov/content/10-simple-rules-conformance-rubric>

- Define context clearly: Extensive
- Use appropriate data: Extensive
- Evaluate within context: Extensive
- List limitations explicitly: Insufficient
- Use version control: Extensive
- Document adequately: Extensive
- Conform to standards: Insufficient

Box 4: Evaluation

- Model and its simulations could be repeated using provided declarative or procedural code
- Model and its simulations could be reproduced

Summary comments: Supplemental material was provided as a downloadable zip file together with the submission. Following the instructions provided, we successfully built and installed the software described in the manuscript. Using the updated tutorials, we successfully recreated the results associated with Table 2 for the Twister ribozyme, tRNA and SAM Riboswitch. No attempt to reproduce any of the reported figures was attempted as there was no instructions for this present.



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