The RESID Database of protein structure modifications: 2000 update

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ABSTRACT

The RESID Database contains supplemental information on post-translational modifications for the standardized annotations appearing in the PIR-International Protein Sequence Database. The RESID Database includes: systematic and frequently observed alternate names, Chemical Abstracts Service registry numbers, atomic formulas and weights, enzyme activities, indicators for N-terminal, C-terminal or peptide chain cross-link modifications, keywords, literature citations with database cross-references, structural diagrams and molecular models. Since 1995 updates of the RESID Database have appeared as often as weekly, and full releases appear quarterly. The database is freely accessible through the PIR Web site http://pir.georgetown.edu/pirwww/dbinfo/resid.html and by FTP.

INTRODUCTION

As part of the effort of the Protein Information Resource (PIR) to produce the PIR-International Protein Sequence Database (1) as a comprehensive, accurate, precise and consistent resource, the PIR maintains a number of auxiliary annotation databases. The RESID Database is the auxiliary database of modified amino acid residues annotated as features in the Protein Sequence Database. This database was designed:

- to document standardized features annotations for covalent binding sites, modified sites and cross-links, and to provide appropriate keywords and other annotations to accompany those features,
- to furnish more detailed chemical information than is possible in the Protein Sequence Database, and to enable annotators to recognize when authors are using synonymous descriptions of previously described features,
- to provide an adaptable mechanism for calculating the molecular weights of modified proteins and their peptide fragments, and
- to be accessible through the Internet and multi-database access programs with useful search capabilities and display of chemical structures.

During each update, all feature records in the Protein Sequence Database are automatically checked for syntax and vocabulary using the standard records in the latest version of the RESID Database. These procedures ensure accuracy and consistency in annotation, and through the use of automated scripts help propagate annotation revisions quickly throughout Protein Sequence Database entries (2). RESID is the only publicly available, human- and computer-readable database comprehensively documenting protein structural modifications. It provides scientists interested in protein sequence and structure with visual display and molecular modeling information for a comprehensive collection of protein post-translational modifications.

DATABASE DESCRIPTION

The database includes entries for the 22 alpha-amino acids currently known to be genetically encoded, including N-formyl methionine and selenocysteine, three ambiguous 'residues' represented in the standard single-letter code, and more than 245 other residues either predicted or observed in proteins arising through natural, post-translational modification of encoded amino acids. Included are several molecular structures that are known not to exist, but are encountered or referred to in the literature or other databases.

Information in the RESID Database entries includes: dates for database entry and modification of text and structure; a systematic chemical name and Chemical Abstracts Service registry number for the free residue; frequently observed alternate names; the atomic formula and weight; original amino acids with difference formulas and weights; enzyme activities producing the modification; indicators for N-terminal, C-terminal or peptide chain cross-link modifications; how the modification is represented in feature tables in the Protein Sequence Database and the keywords associated with it; and literature citations with database cross-references. The RESID Database maintains dynamic links with the PIR-International Protein Sequence and NRL_3D databases, and concurrent cross-references to Chemical Abstracts (CAS), to the MEDLINE citation database, and to the Protein Data Bank (PDB). (CAS Registry Numbers are copyrighted by the American Chemical Society and used with permission of the Chemical Abstracts Service of the American Chemical Society.) The RESID Database provides a means for calculating both chemical-average and monoisotopic molecular weights for modified peptides in order to facilitate their identification by mass-spectroscopy (3,4). Structural diagrams are presented in GIF format, and molecular models in PDB format are provided for use with widely available WWW display programs such as RasMol (5). A sample entry in the RESID Database is presented in Table 1.

Release 20.00 of the database contains >270 entries, an increase of ~10% annually. During the fall of 1999, molecular models for RESID Database entries began to be introduced. Also during 1999, several enhancements were made in WWW

Table 1. RESID Database sample entry

RESID:AA0252 dipyrrolylmethanemethyl-L-cysteine Alternate names: 3-[5-(3-acetic acid-4-propanoic acid-1-pyrrol-2-yl)methyl-3-acetic acid-4-propanoic acid-1-pyrrol-2-yl]methylthio-2-aminopropanoic acid; dipyrrole cofactor; dipyrrolylmethyl-Lcysteine; dipyrromethane cofactor; pyrromethane cofactor Systematic name: 3-[5-[4-(2-carboxy)ethyl-3-carboxymethyl-1-pyrrol-2-yl]methyl-4-(2-carboxy)ethyl-3carboxymethyl-1-pyrrol-2-yl]methylthio-2-aminopropanoic acid Cross-references: CAS:29261-13-0 Formula: C 23 H 27 N 3 O 9 S 1 Formula weight: #chem 521.55 #phys 521.1468 Correction formula: C 20 H 22 N 2 O 8 Correction weight: #chem 418.41 #phys 418.1376 Date: 12-Dec-1997 #structure_revision 12-Dec-1997 #text_change 23-Apr-1999 Jordan, P.M.; Warren, M.J.; Williams, H.J.; Stolowich, N.J.; Roessner, C.A.; Grant, S.K.; Scott, A.I. FEBS Lett. 235, 189-193, 1988 Title: Identification of a cysteine residue as the binding site for the dipyrromethane cofactor at the active site of Escherichia coli porphobilinogen deaminase. Reference number: A58694; MUID:88296821 Note: radioisotope labeling; (13)C-NMR characterization Miller, A.D.; Hart, G.J.; Packman, L.C.; Battersby, A.R. Biochem. J. 254, 915-918, 1988 Title: Evidence that the pyrromethane cofactor of hydroxymethylbilane synthase (porphobilinogen deaminase) is bound to the protein through the sulphur atom of cysteine-242. Reference number: A58695; MUID:89061636 Note: chemical characterization Hart, G.J.: Miller, A.D.: Battersby, A.R. Biochem, J. 252, 909-912, 1988 Title: Evidence that the pyrromethane cofactor of hydroxymethylbilane synthase (porphobilinogen deaminase) is bound through the sulphur atom of a cysteine residue. Reference number: A58696; MUID:88339864 Note: chemical characterization; (13)C-NMR identification Louie, G.V.; Brownlie, P.D.; Lambert, R.; Cooper, J.B.; Blundell, T.L.; Wood, S.P.; Malashkevich, V.N.; Haedener, A.; Warren, M.J.; Shoolingin-Jordan, P.M. Proteins 25, 48-78, 1996 Title: The three-dimensional structure of Escherichia coli porphobilinogen deaminase at 1.76angstroms resolution. Reference number: A58699; MUID:96323958 Note: X-ray crystallography, 1.76 angstroms Louie, G.V.; Brownlie, P.D.; Lambert, R.; Cooper, J.B.; Blundell, T.L.; Wood, S.P.; Warren, M.J.; Woodcock, S.C.; Jordan, P.M. submitted to the Brookhaven Protein Data Bank, November 1992 Reference number: A51329; PDB:1PDA Note: X-ray crystallography, 1.76 angstroms Sequence code: C Residues Modified site: dipyrrolylmethanemethyl (Cys) (covalent)

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access for the database. Additional search capabilities were provided for users to search lists of modifications arising from particular encoded amino acids, and to search for modifications based on either the molecular weight of the modified residue or the difference in the molecular weight produced by the modification.

AVAILABILITY AND ACCESS

The RESID Database is updated as often as weekly and is released quarterly with the PIR-International Protein Sequence Database through Internet distribution. Database entries may be retrieved through WEB search at http://pir.georgetown.edu/ pirwww/search/textresid.html by entry code or other unique identifier, by name, citation, or keyword text search, by molecular weight search, or from selection lists based on encoded amino acids. Active links to RESID Database entries are also provided through the feature table of Protein Sequence Database entries.

The database textual annotations, structural diagrams and molecular models are copyrighted. The RESID Database is distributed free with no license required.

SUBMISSIONS AND REVISIONS

Most new entries for the RESID Database are generated as a result of annotation and re-evaluation of sequences in the PIR-International Protein Sequence Database. The author invites the submission of information for new entries or for the revision of existing entries. Those wishing to submit material may do so using the electronic submission form at http://pir.georgetown.edu/pirwww/otherinfo/subinfo.html or by Email directed to the author's attention at pirmail@nbrf.georgetown.edu . New database entries are assigned unique access codes which may be cited in publications. It is appreciated if authors referring to the RESID Database cite this article or the introductory announcement (6).

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