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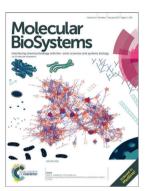
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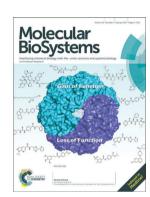
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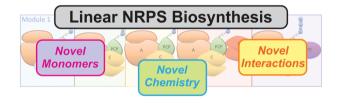
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Diversity of nature's assembly lines - recent discoveries in non-ribosomal peptide synthesis

Jennifer A. E. Payne, Melanie Schoppet, Mathias Henning Hansen and Max J. Cryle*

Highlighting recent important discoveries from the biosynthesis of peptides by linear non-ribosomal peptide synthetase (NRPS) machineries.

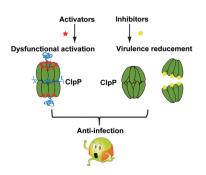


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The development of small-molecule modulators for ClpP protease activity

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Deregulating ClpP activity either through inhibition or overactivation could lead to antibacterial activity.



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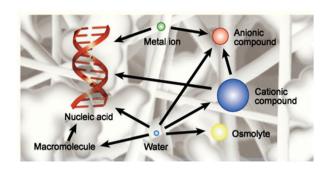
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Model studies of the effects of intracellular crowding on nucleic acid interactions

Shu-ichi Nakano* and Naoki Sugimoto*

Studies using experimental model systems have revealed significant effects of the intracellular environment on the interactions of DNA and RNA.

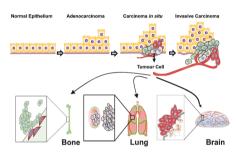


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Advancement of mass spectrometry-based proteomics technologies to explore triple negative breast cancer

Sayem Miah, Charles A. S. Banks, Mark K. Adams, Laurence Florens, Kiven E. Lukong and Michael P. Washburn*

Understanding the complexity of cancer biology requires extensive information about the cancer proteome over the course of the disease.



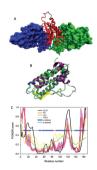
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Erythropoietin and co.: intrinsic structure and functional disorder

Vladimir N. Uversky* and Elrashdy M. Redwan*

Erythropoietin (Epo) is a glycoprotein with important roles in erythropoiesis and other biological processes by serving as a hormone, a cytokine, or a growth factor. At least in part, the Epo multifunctionality is driven by its partners. The goal of this article is to evaluate the roles of intrinsic disorder in the functions of Epo and its primary interactors, EpoR, β CR, and HIF-1 α .



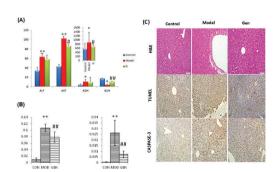
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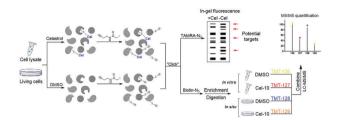
Tianlei Zhang, Aihua Zhang, Shi Qiu, Hui Sun, Ying Han, Yu Guan and Xijun Wang*

Alcohol-induced liver injury (ALD) shows obvious metabolic disorders, categorized by a wide range of metabolite abnormalities.



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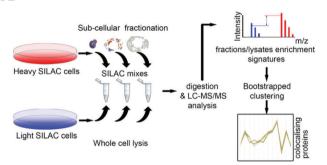
Competitive profiling of celastrol targets in human cervical cancer HeLa cells via quantitative chemical proteomics

Yiqing Zhou, Weichao Li, Mingli Wang, Xixi Zhang, Haibing Zhang, Xiaofeng Tong and Youli Xiao*

We reported the proteome-wide profiling of cellular targets of celastrol in HeLa cells via competitive chemoproteomics approach utilizing a cysteine-targeting activity-based probe.

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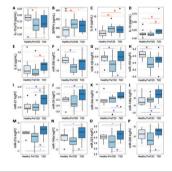


Proteomics profiling of interactome dynamics by colocalisation analysis (COLA)

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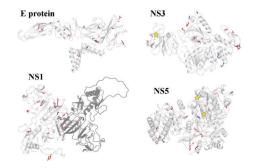


Altered levels of circulating cytokines and microRNAs in lean and obese individuals with prediabetes and type 2 diabetes

Yury O. Nunez Lopez, Gabriella Garufi and Attila A. Seyhan*

Today obesity and type 2 diabetes (T2D) have both reached epidemic proportions.

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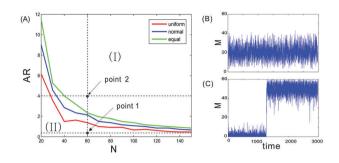
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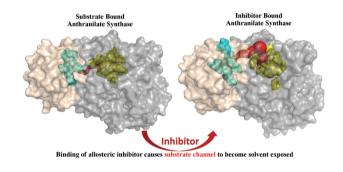


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Ashutosh Srivastava and Somdatta Sinha*

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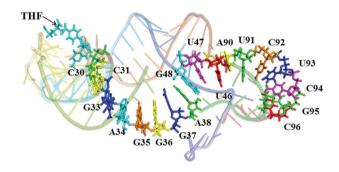


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Jin-Mai Zhang, Cheng Jiang, Wei Ye, Ray Luo* and Hai-Feng Chen*

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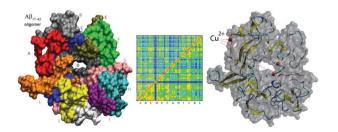


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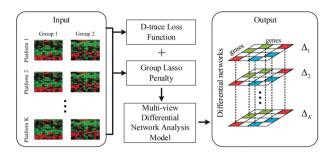
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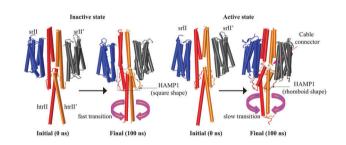


Identifying differential networks based on multi-platform gene expression data

Le Ou-Yang, Hong Yan and Xiao-Fei Zhang*

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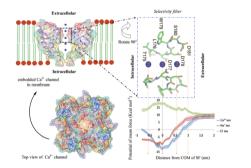
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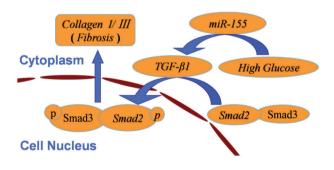
The mechanistic and structural basis of srll-htrll signaling mediated by a HAMP four-helix bundle in Natronomonas pharaonis.



Modeling ion permeation through a bacterial voltage-gated calcium channel Ca_VAb using molecular dynamics simulations

Jamal Adiban, Yousef Jamali and Hashem Rafii-Tabar* Ca²⁺ ion binds tightly to the center of the selectivity filter of voltage-gated calcium channels.

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miR-155 regulates high glucose-induced cardiac fibrosis via the TGF-β signaling pathway

Dong Zhang, Yongchun Cui, Bin Li, Xiaokang Luo, Bo Li and Yue Tang*

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