

# AlphaFold reveals commonalities and novelties in protein structure space for 21 model organisms

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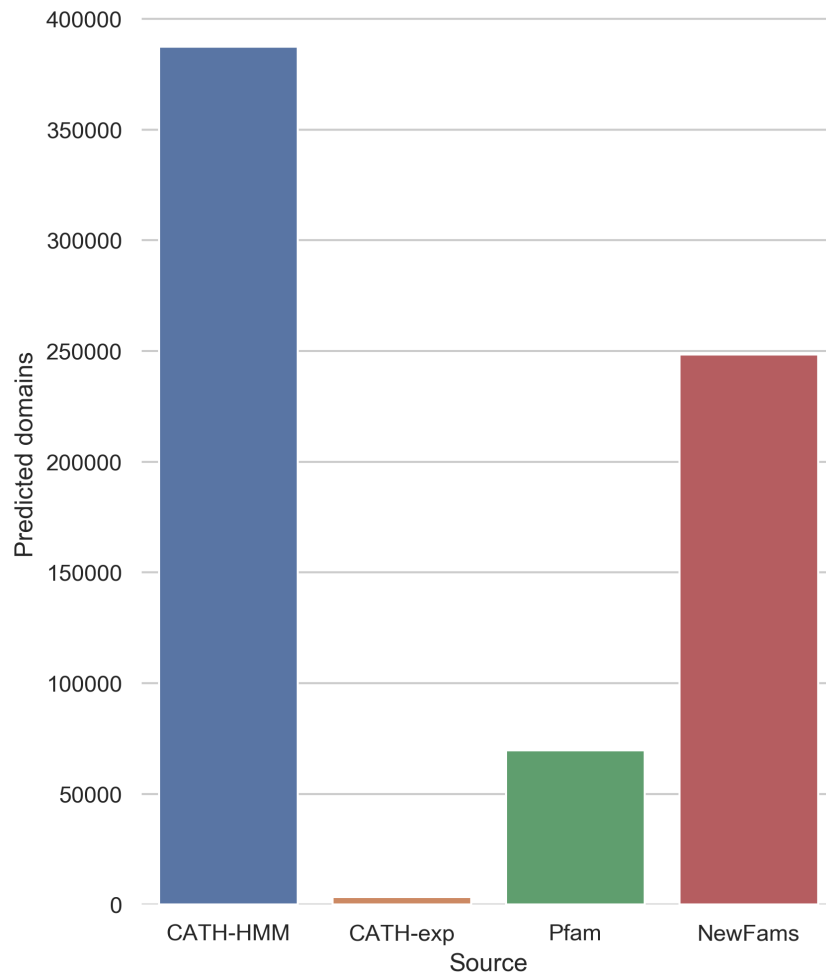
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<b>Species</b>	<b>Chopped</b>	<b>Filtered</b>	<b>Structurally validated</b>	<b>Percentage of domains brought into CATH over total</b>
<b>Arabidopsis thaliana</b>	<b>54586</b>	<b>29959</b>	<b>27603</b>	<b>92.1%</b>
<b>Caenorhabditis elegans</b>	<b>34581</b>	<b>19057</b>	<b>17134</b>	<b>89.9%</b>
<b>Candida albicans</b>	<b>8509</b>	<b>6069</b>	<b>5611</b>	<b>92.5%</b>
<b>Danio rerio</b>	<b>66965</b>	<b>33398</b>	<b>31306</b>	<b>93.7%</b>
<b>Dictyostelium discoideum</b>	<b>23647</b>	<b>11916</b>	<b>10455</b>	<b>87.7%</b>
<b>Drosophila melanogaster</b>	<b>27928</b>	<b>14187</b>	<b>12883</b>	<b>90.8%</b>
<b>Escherichia coli</b>	<b>7315</b>	<b>5727</b>	<b>5190</b>	<b>90.6%</b>
<b>Glycine max</b>	<b>107848</b>	<b>56035</b>	<b>51556</b>	<b>92%</b>
<b>Homo sapiens</b>	<b>59314</b>	<b>28029</b>	<b>26484</b>	<b>94.5%</b>
<b>Leishmania infantum</b>	<b>13520</b>	<b>6700</b>	<b>5940</b>	<b>88.7%</b>
<b>Methanocaldococcus jannaschii</b>	<b>2513</b>	<b>2090</b>	<b>1857</b>	<b>88.9%</b>
<b>Mus musculus</b>	<b>55270</b>	<b>27403</b>	<b>25915</b>	<b>94.6%</b>
<b>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</b>	<b>6515</b>	<b>4685</b>	<b>4247</b>	<b>90.7%</b>
<b>Oryza sativa</b>	<b>56618</b>	<b>29116</b>	<b>27431</b>	<b>94.2%</b>
<b>Plasmodium falciparum</b>	<b>7187</b>	<b>3934</b>	<b>3654</b>	<b>92.9%</b>
<b>Rattus norvegicus</b>	<b>52663</b>	<b>26620</b>	<b>25105</b>	<b>94.3%</b>
<b>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</b>	<b>8526</b>	<b>6085</b>	<b>5683</b>	<b>93.4%</b>
<b>Schizosaccharomyces pombe</b>	<b>7618</b>	<b>5627</b>	<b>5350</b>	<b>95.1%</b>
<b>Staphylococcus aureus</b>	<b>4409</b>	<b>3442</b>	<b>3078</b>	<b>89.4%</b>
<b>Trypanosoma cruzi</b>	<b>28392</b>	<b>14650</b>	<b>13056</b>	<b>89.1%</b>
<b>Zea mays</b>	<b>75017</b>	<b>34783</b>	<b>31675</b>	<b>91.1%</b>

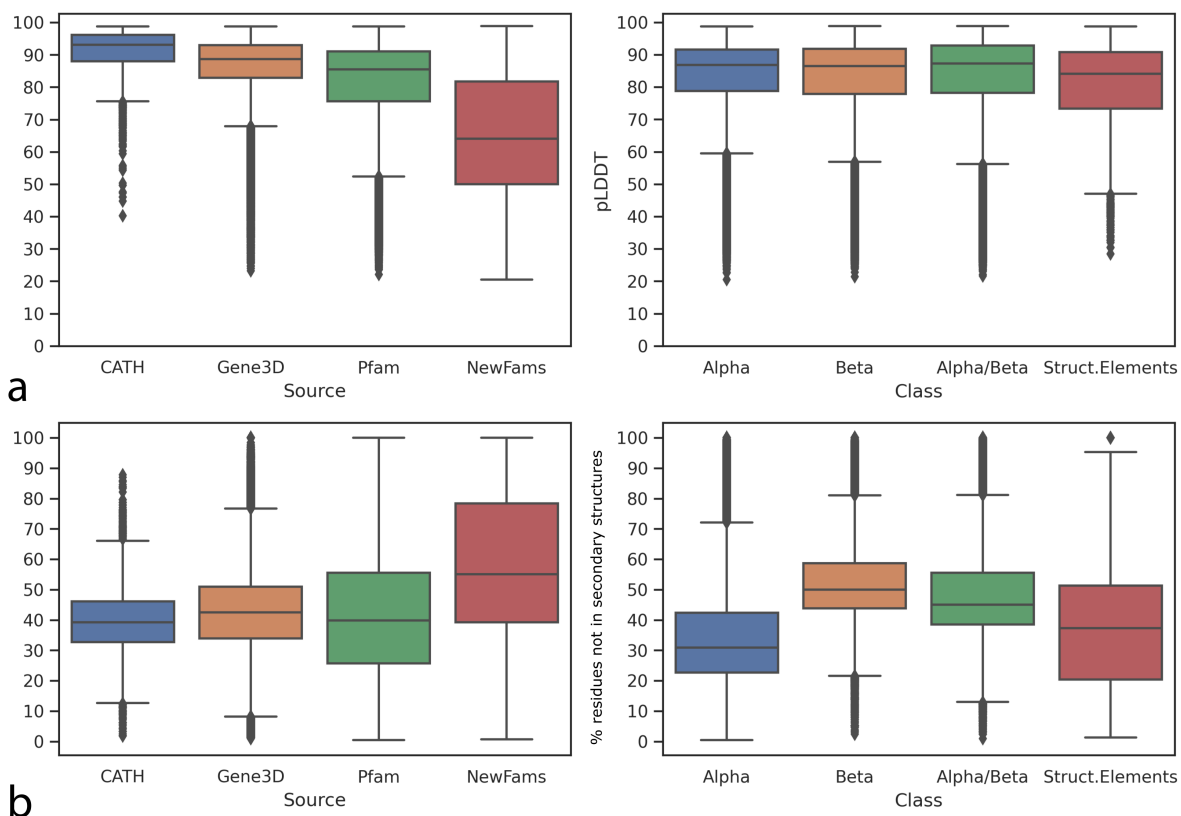
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Species	pLDDT < 70	Domain residues not in secondary structure > 65%	Packing issues	LUR > 30%	SSE < 3
<i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i>	12767	1391	3858	981	5630
<i>Caenorhabditis elegans</i>	8369	509	2557	568	3521
<i>Candida albicans</i>	1109	91	523	107	610
<i>Danio rerio</i>	12976	1496	6869	893	11333
<i>Dictyostelium discoideum</i>	7083	313	1396	404	2535
<i>Drosophila melanogaster</i>	6810	515	2842	475	3099
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	243	43	464	63	775
<i>Glycine max</i>	28300	1685	8323	2041	11464
<i>Homo sapiens</i>	13590	1243	6891	683	8878
<i>Leishmania infantum</i>	4425	150	1155	187	903
<i>Methanocaldococcus jannaschii</i>	84	12	147	12	168
<i>Mus musculus</i>	11641	1170	6242	648	8166
<i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i>	482	55	522	83	688
<i>Oryza sativa</i>	19157	617	3397	729	3602
<i>Plasmodium falciparum</i>	2139	61	549	116	388
<i>Rattus norvegicus</i>	11245	1096	5435	673	7594
<i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i>	1134	75	516	106	610
<i>Schizosaccharomyces pombe</i>	779	70	486	94	562
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	241	10	213	29	474
<i>Trypanosoma cruzi</i>	9519	341	2089	369	1424
<i>Zea mays</i>	24371	935	6180	1375	7373
AlphaFold	176464	11878	60654	10636	79796

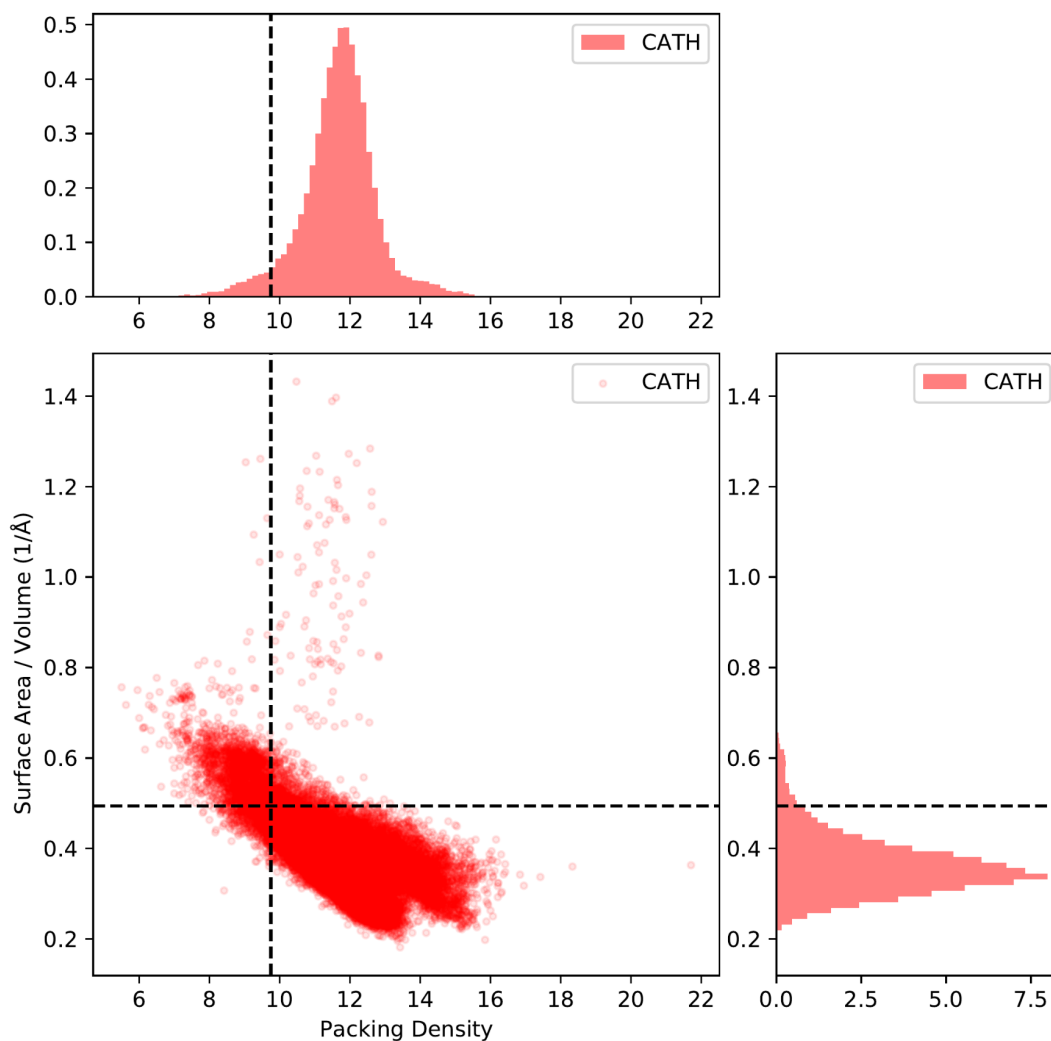
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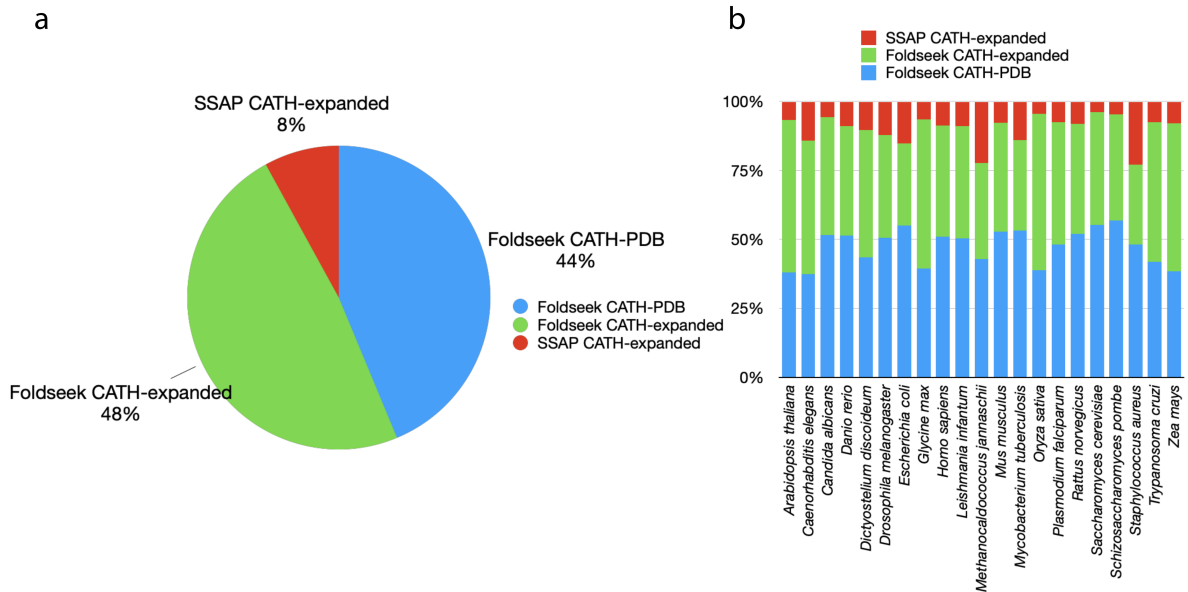
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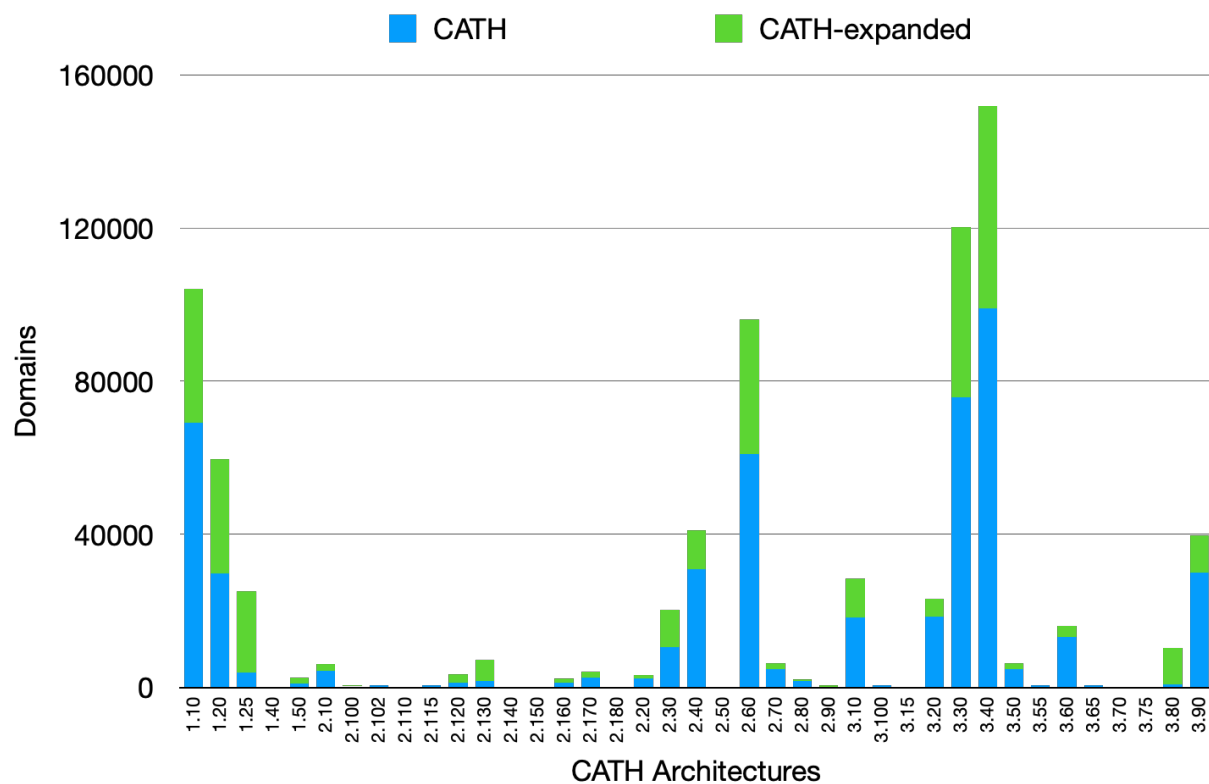
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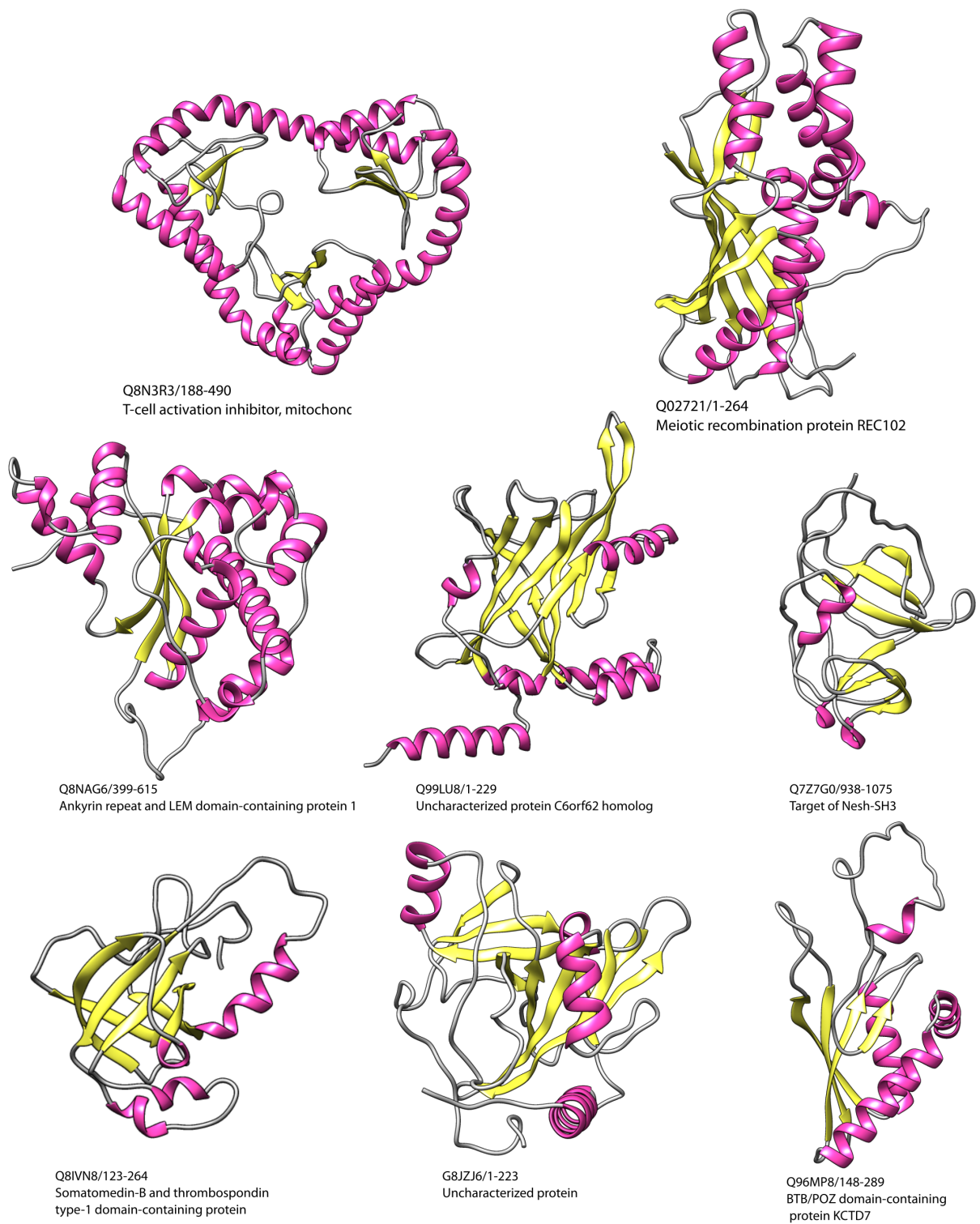


**Supplementary Figure 5.** CATH Architecture expansion by AF2 models. CATH Architectures are displayed on x-axis, with the relative expansion measured by the total domains in them (before – “CATH”, after – “CATH-expanded”) is displayed on the y-axis.

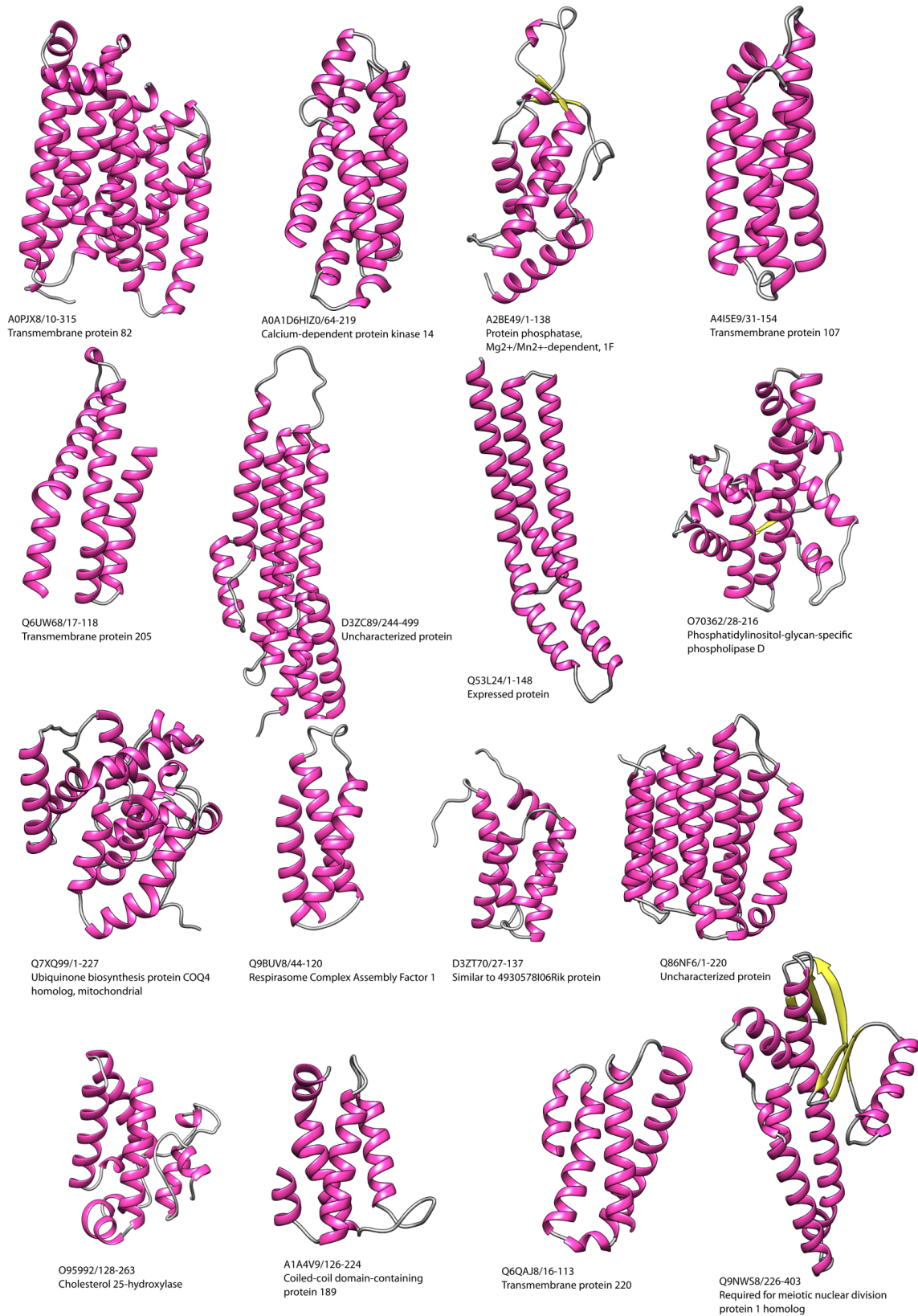




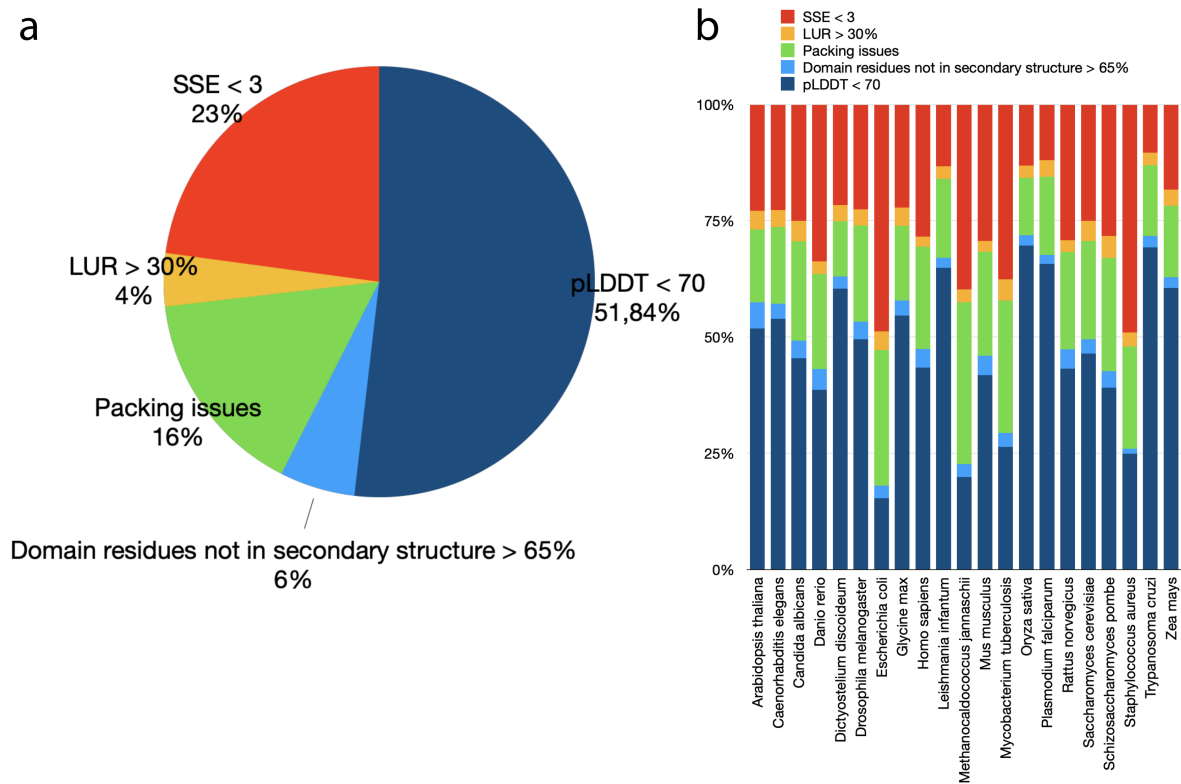
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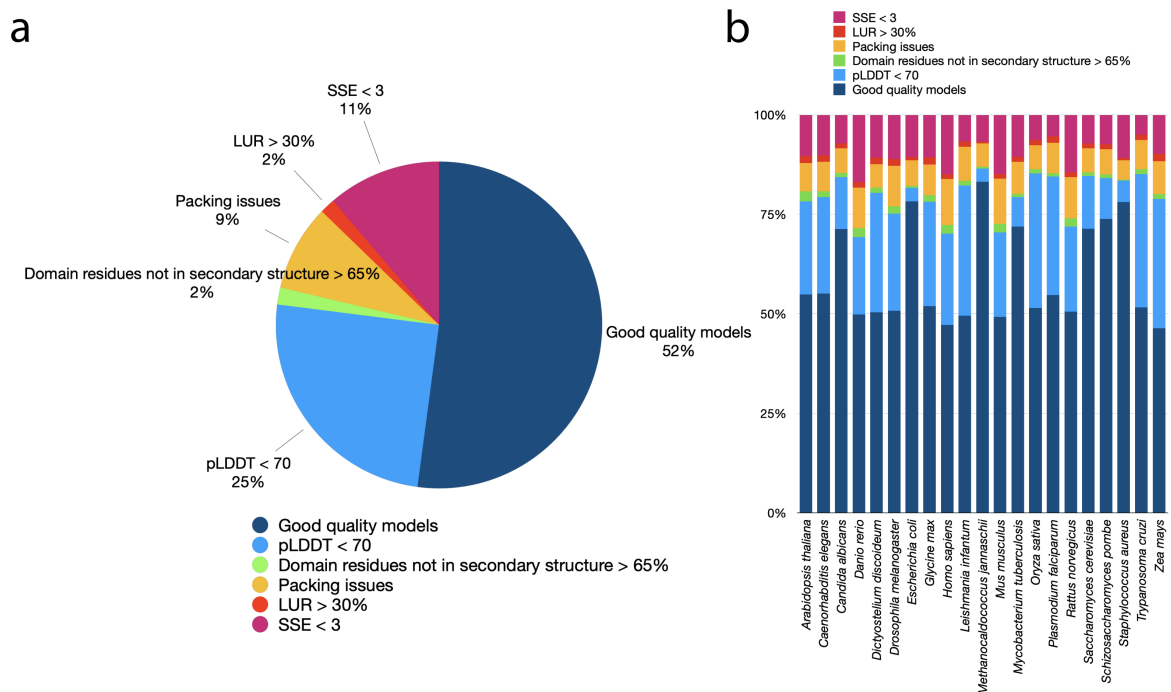
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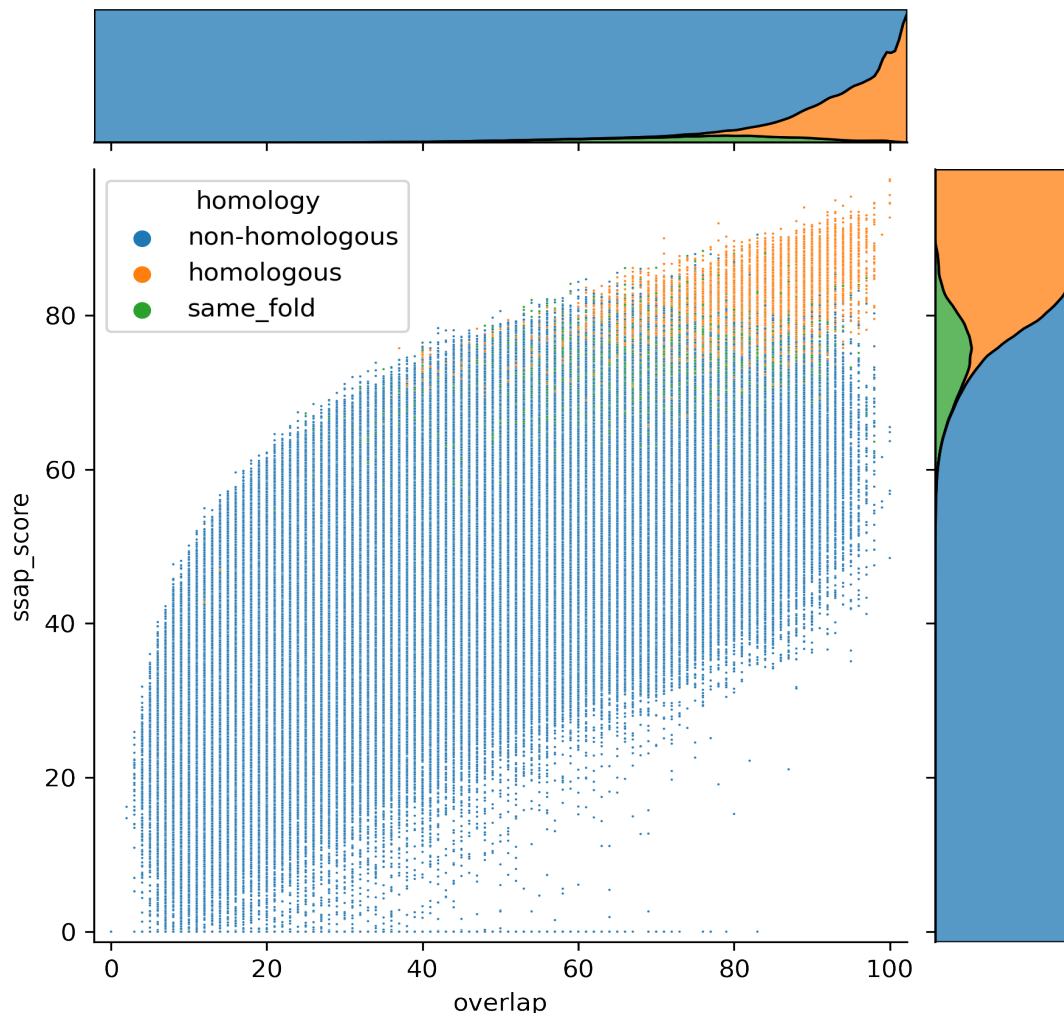
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## Benchmarking SSAP, TM-align and Foldseek for homologs detection

To assess the score thresholds for homologs detection using SSAP, TM-align and Foldseek, we created a dataset of 3,186 curated domains that are S30 representatives of CATH that are equivalent in the SCOP classification. As the relationship of each pair of domains is known, we created an all-vs-all half-matrix of structural comparisons to be run using Foldseek, TM-align and SSAP. The half matrix of pairwise comparisons consists of 13,443 homologous pairs, 67,917 pairs that share the same fold and 4,992,345 non-homologous pairs.

### SSAP Benchmark

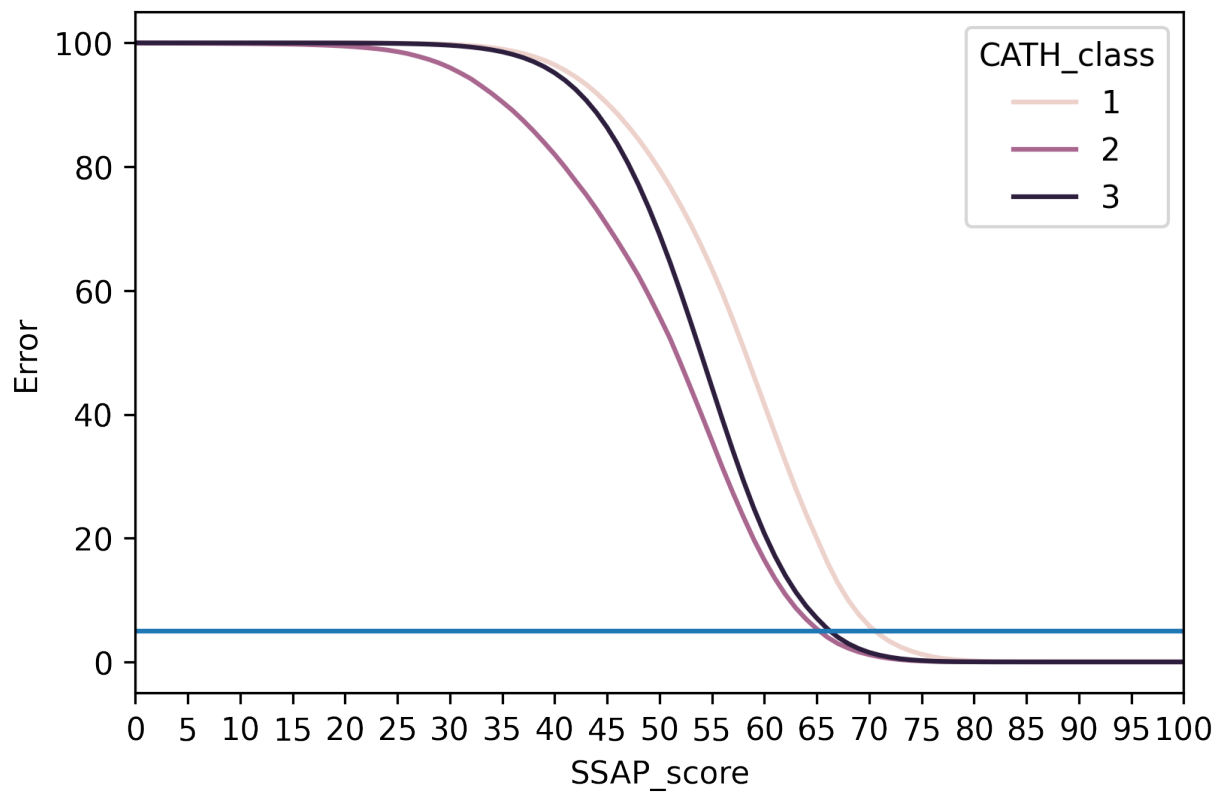
All domains in the S30 dataset were scanned in an all-vs-all fashion using SSAP. Since SSAP performs pairwise comparisons, one for each run, the half-matrix was generated directly without requiring additional missing pairs in the output.



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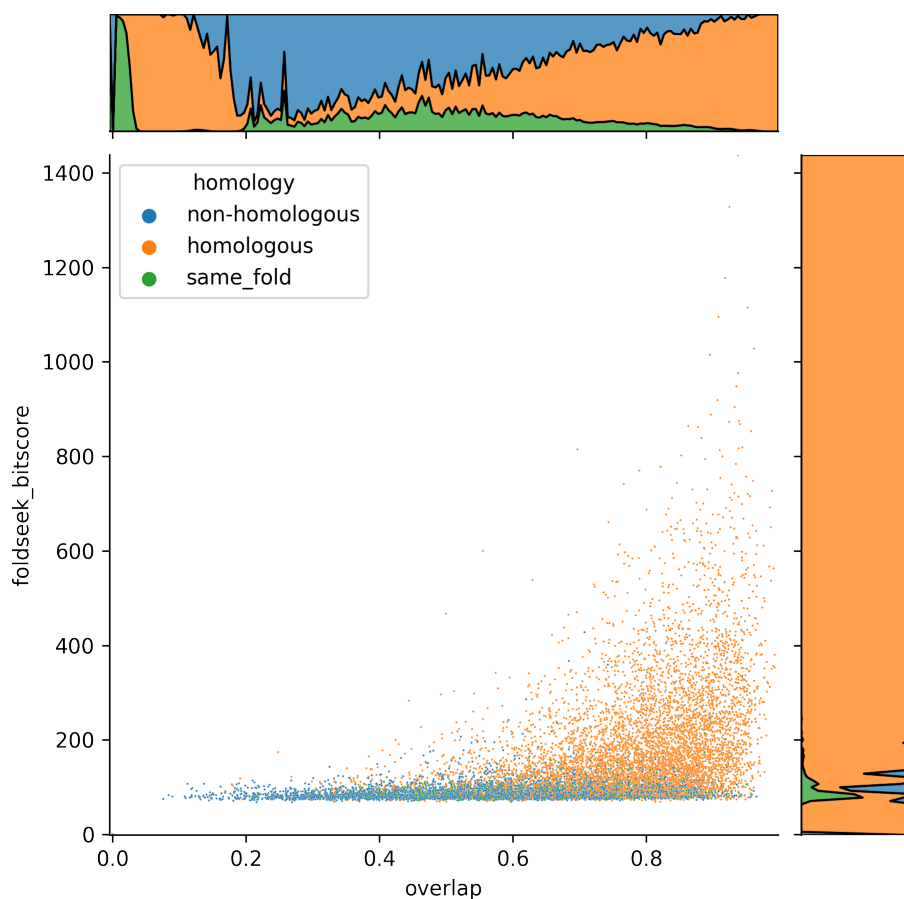
The error rate was calculated in the same fashion as the Foldseek benchmark, resulting in a SSAP score threshold at an overlap of 60% of 71, 66 and 69 for CATH Class 1, 2 and 3 respectively.



**Supplementary Figure 12:** Error rate by SSAP score for each CATH class. The horizontal blue line represents the 5% error threshold.

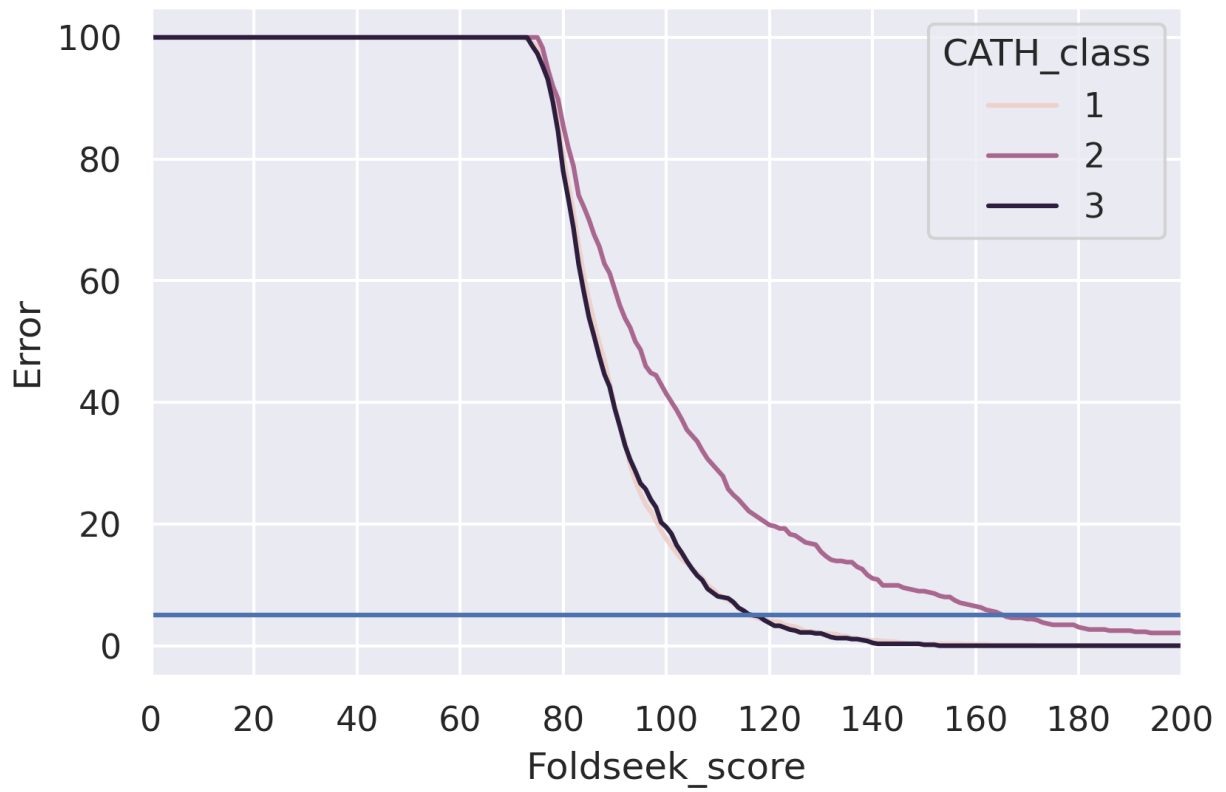
## Foldseek Benchmark

We ran Foldseek (version 6315e9b67d08fb7867d6573d38d473a5b01e365d, 06/01/22) using a sensitivity threshold equal to 9 (highest sensitivity, personal communication from Foldseek developers) and retaining as many hits as possible in order to create the half-matrix. Results were parsed and an overlap based over the length of the longest structure was calculated. If a pair was missing from the final output, we included it in the results with bitscore and overlap set to zero.



**Supplementary Figure 13:** Foldseek bitscore plotted against the structural alignment overlap. Each pair of comparisons was coloured according to their homology.

In order to calculate a homology threshold for each CATH class, we divided the dataset into pairs where both query and target belonged to the same CATH class, and calculated the percentage of non-homologous pairs over the total number of non-homologous pairs at a threshold of 60% overlap for all bitscores in the dataset. We identified bitscore cut-offs for homology at 5% error rate at 116, 165 and 117 for Class 1, 2 and 3 respectively.

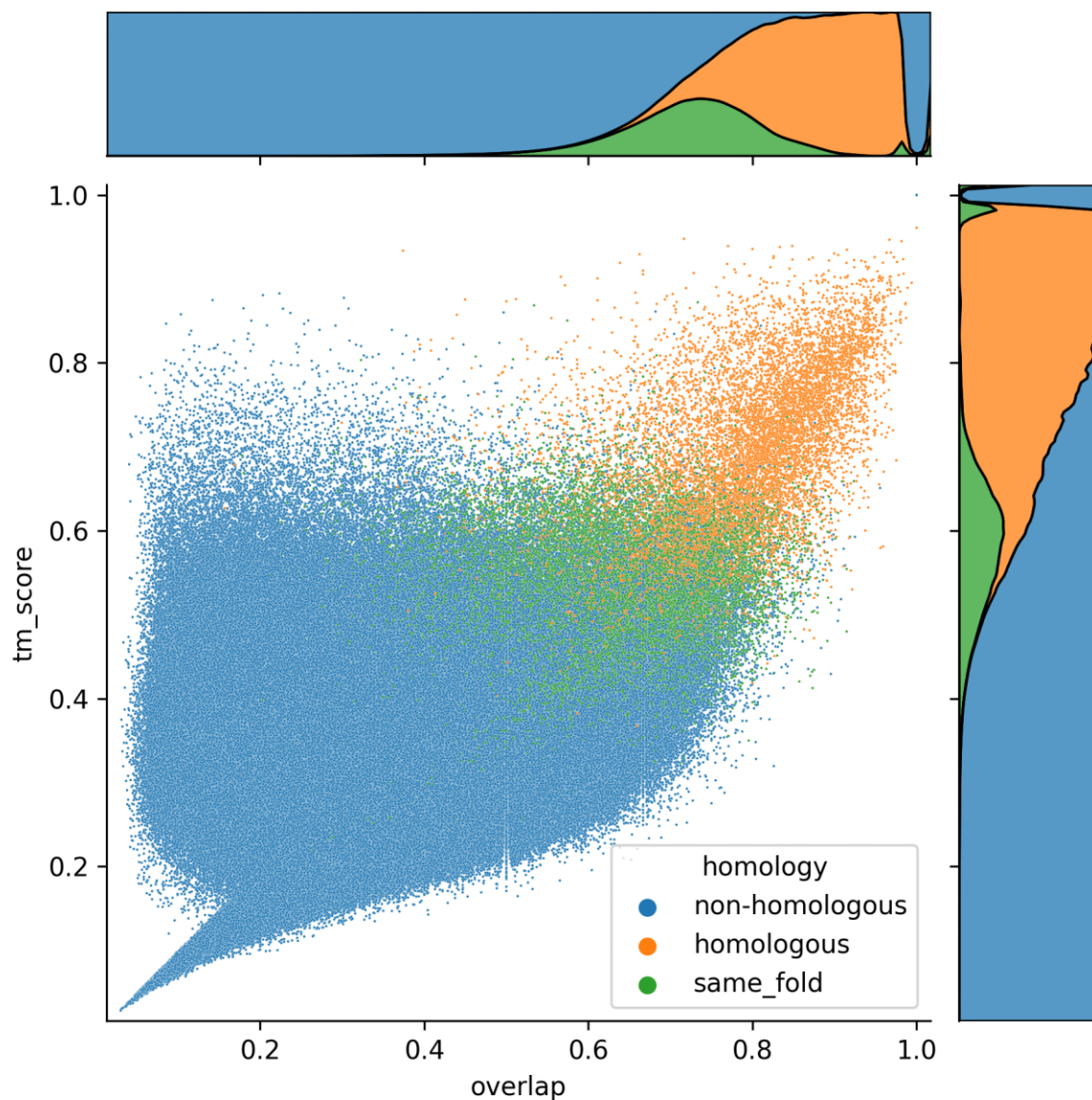


**Supplementary Figure 14:** Error rate by Foldseek bitscore for each CATH class. The horizontal blue line represents the 5% error threshold.



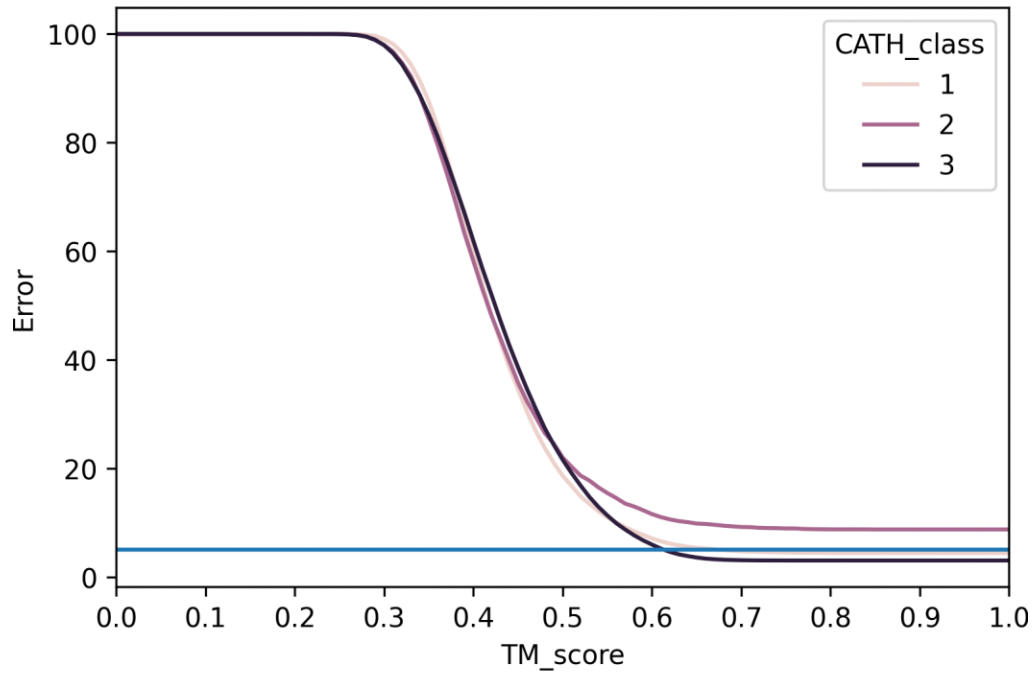
## TM-align Benchmark

All domains in the S30 dataset were scanned in an all-vs-all fashion using TM-align. Since TM-align performs pairwise comparisons when provided with lists of domains, the half-matrix was generated directly without requiring additional missing pairs in the output.



**Supplementary Figure 15:** TMscore plotted against the structural alignment overlap. Each pair of comparisons was coloured according to their homology.

In order to calculate a homology threshold for each CATH class, we divided the dataset into pairs where both query and target belonged to the same CATH class, and calculated the percentage of non-homologous pairs over the total number of non-homologous pairs at a threshold of 60% overlap for all bitscores in the dataset. We identified a TMscore cut-off for homology at 5% error rate at TMscore=0.7 for Class 1 and 3, while for Class 2 the 5% error rate is never reached.



**Supplementary Figure 16:** Error rate by TM-align TMscore for each CATH class. The horizontal blue line represents the 5% error threshold.