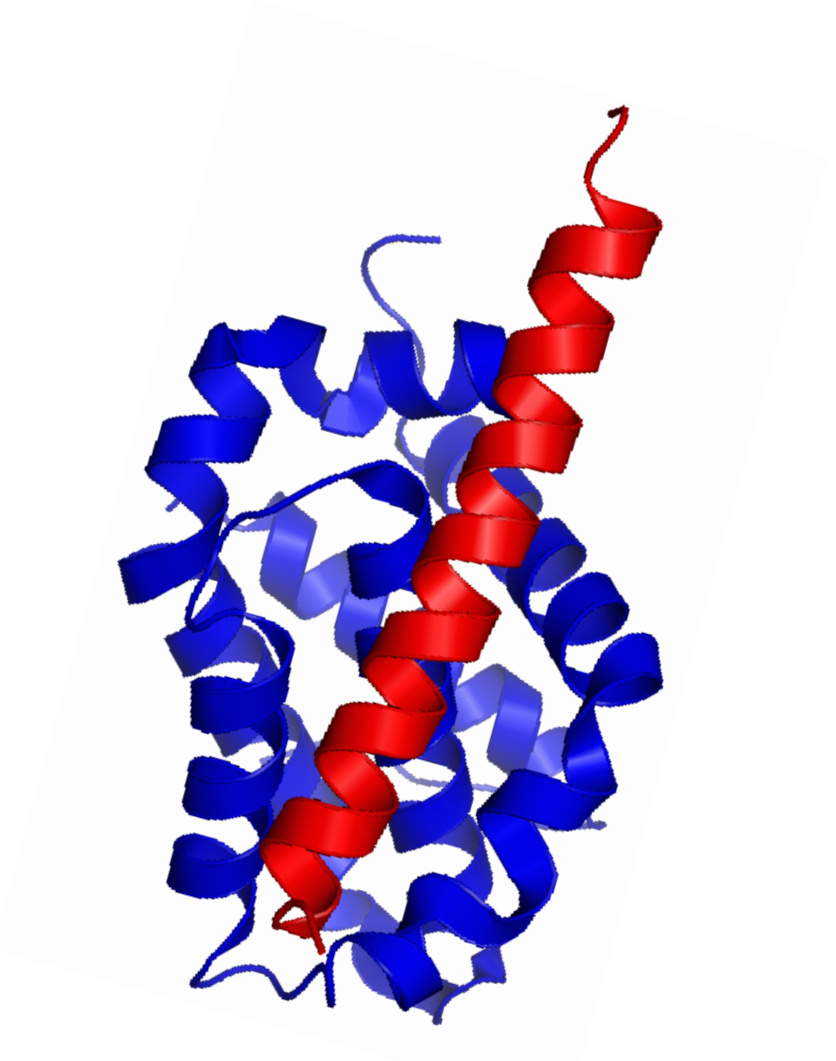
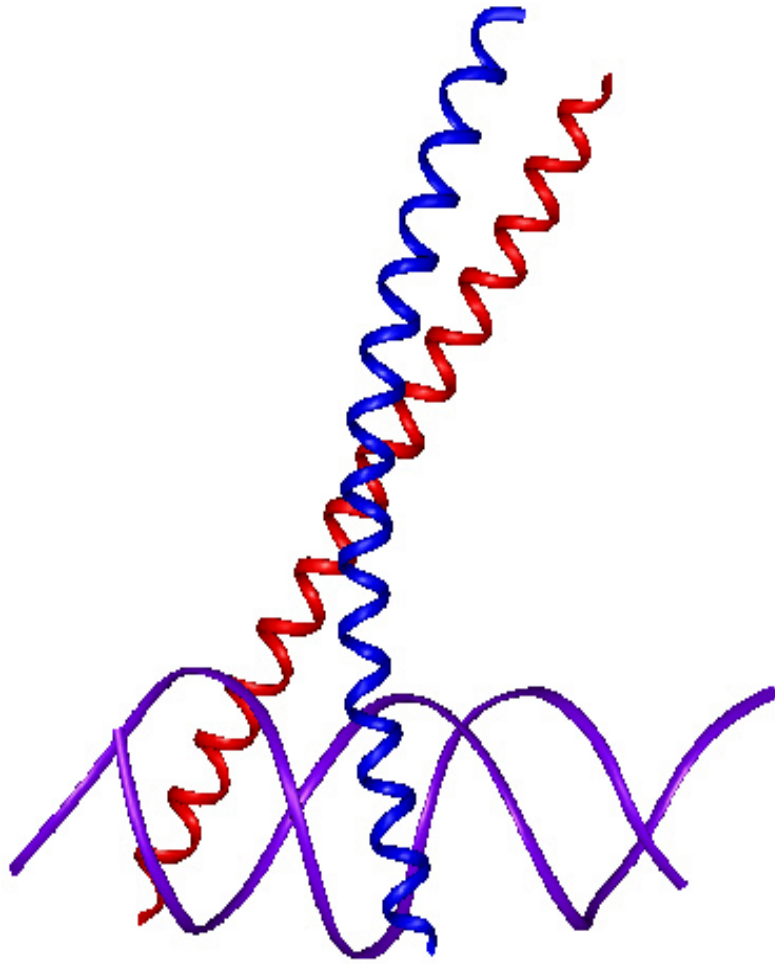


# Measuring and modeling protein-peptide interaction specificity

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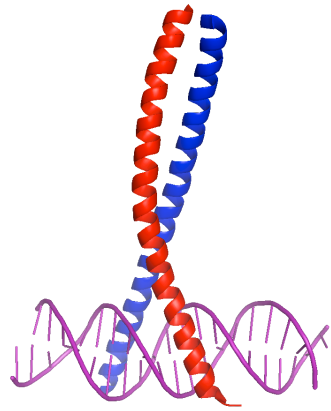
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GOALS: understand specificity, predict interactions, design specific binders

# Human bZIP interaction network (36 x 36)

Family	Protein	DDIT3	CEBPG	CEBP	CEBP	CREB	OASISA	OASISA	OASISA	OASISB	CREBZF	XBP1	ATF6	ATF6	NFIL3	PAR	PAR	ATF2	JUN	JUN	FOS	FOS	ATF4	ATF4	ATF3	BATF	BATF	BATF	SMAF	SMAF	LMAF	LMAF	NFE2	NFE2	NFE2	NFE2	BACH	BACH												
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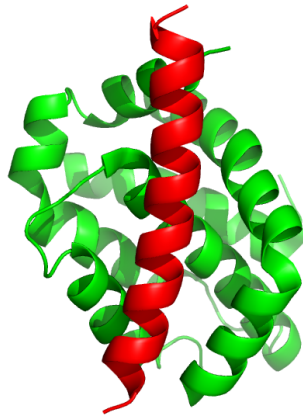


Kd(nM)	
<10	Black
10-50	Dark Green
50-250	Medium Green
250-1000	Light Green
>1000	Yellow
Non	White

~15 pro-death **BH3 domains** bind selectively to  
5 prosurvival **Bcl-2 receptors**



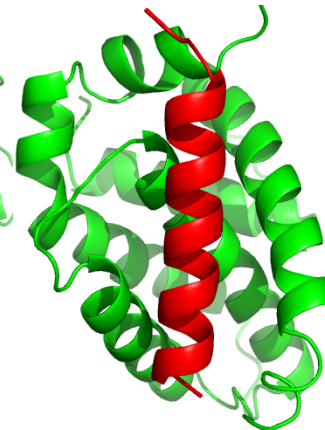
**Bcl-x<sub>L</sub>**



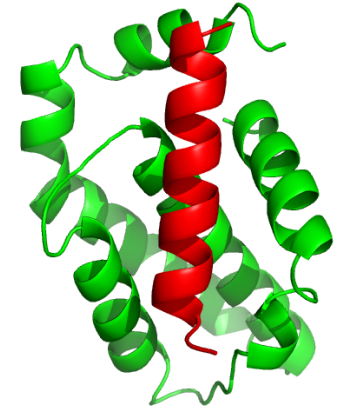
**Mcl-1**



**Bcl-w**



**Bfl-1**



**Bcl-2**

**Bim**  
**Bad**  
**Noxa**  
**Mule**  
**Bok**  
**Puma**



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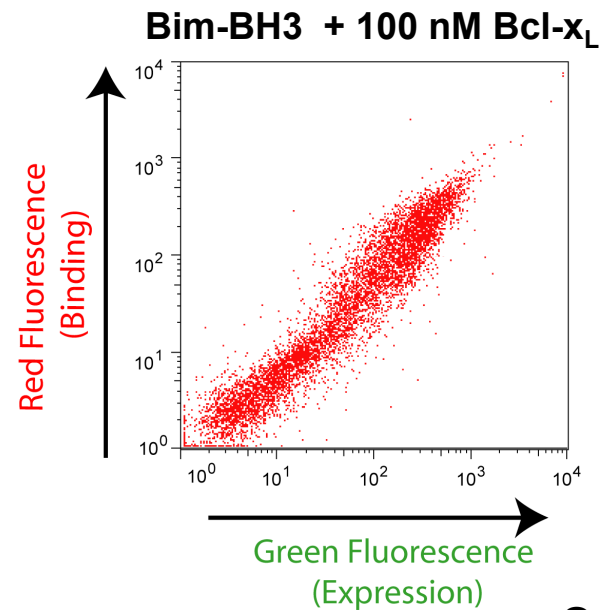
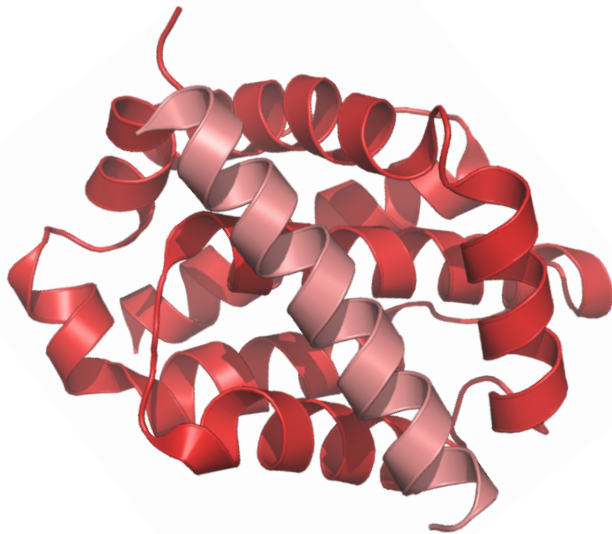
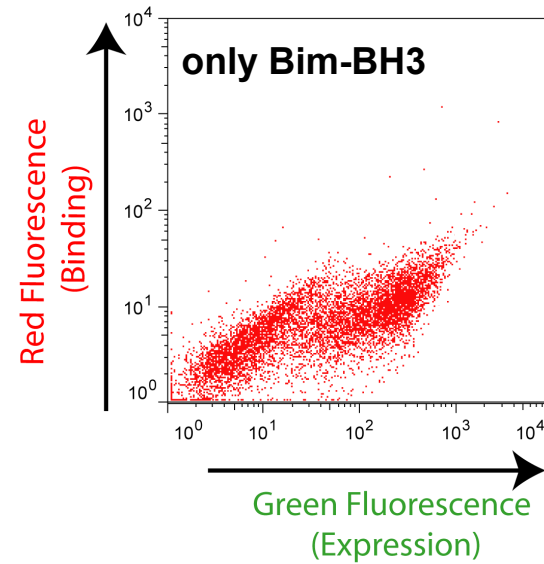
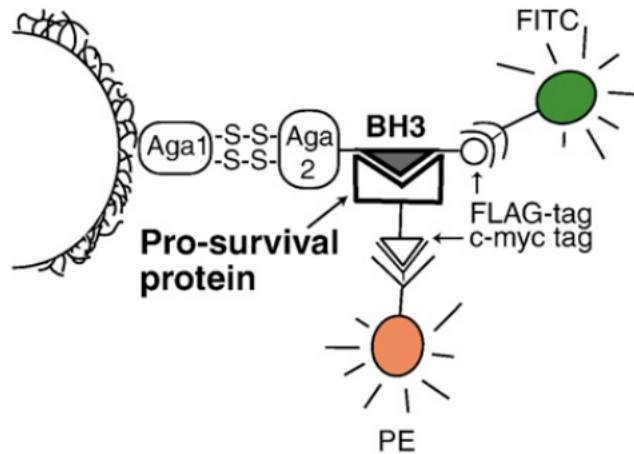
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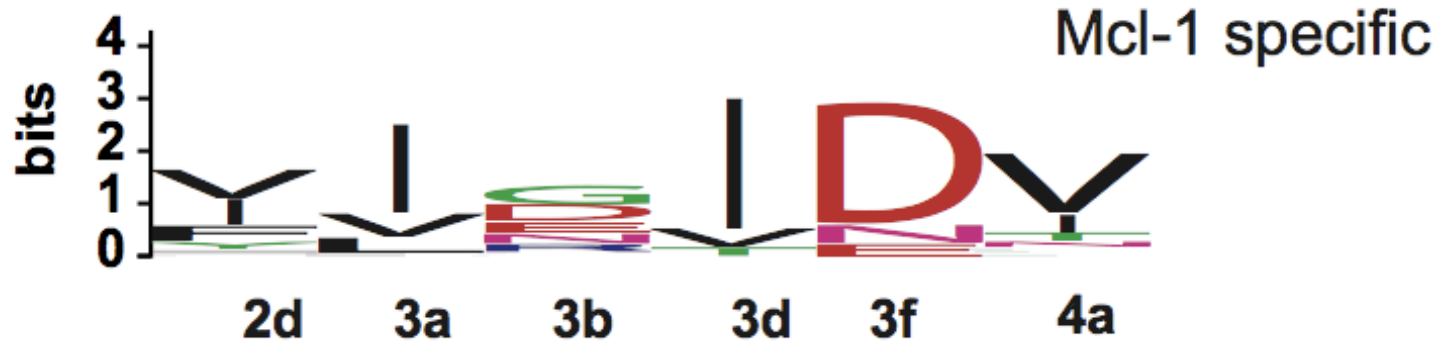
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specificity models assessed using large experimental  
bZIP benchmarks

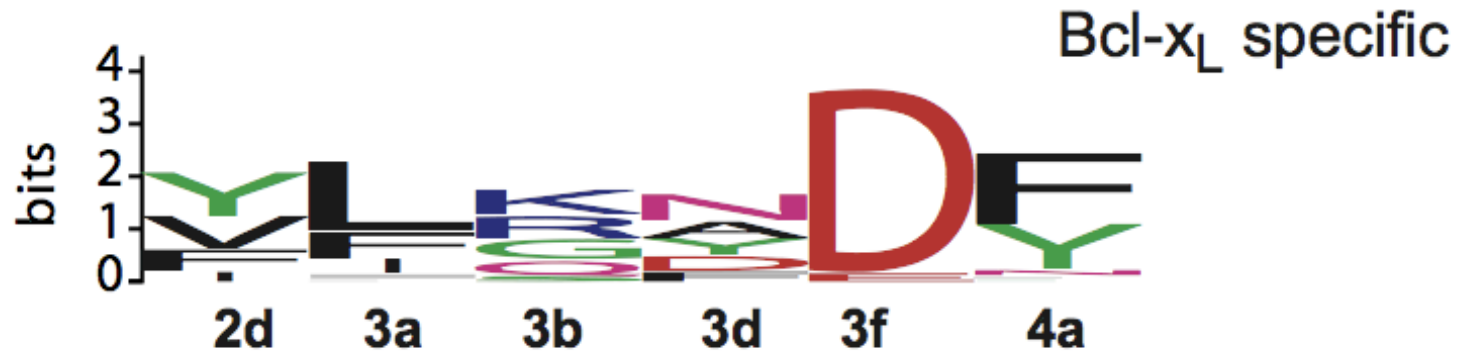
# Data from yeast-surface display library screening



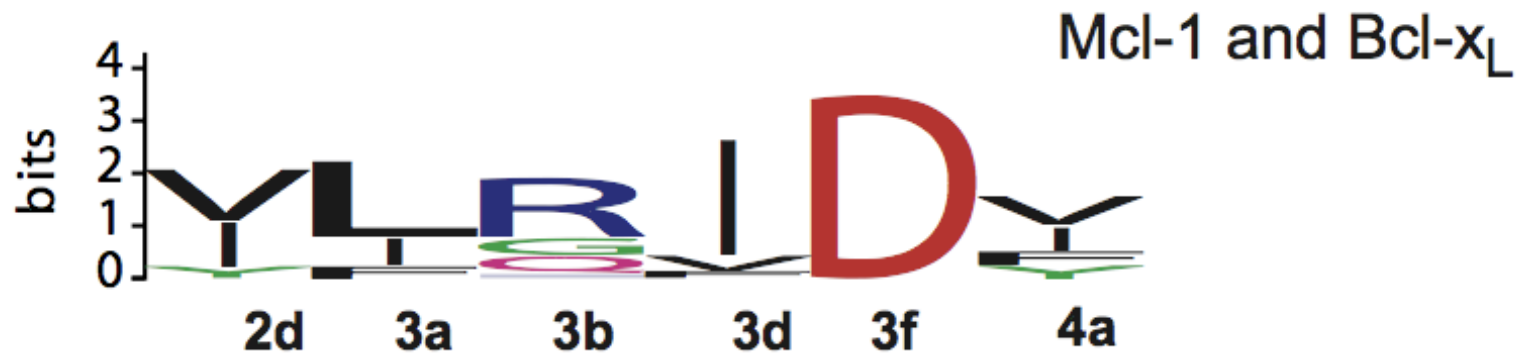
33 Mcl-1 specific unique clones



40 Bcl-x<sub>L</sub> specific unique clones



17 unique clones bind both





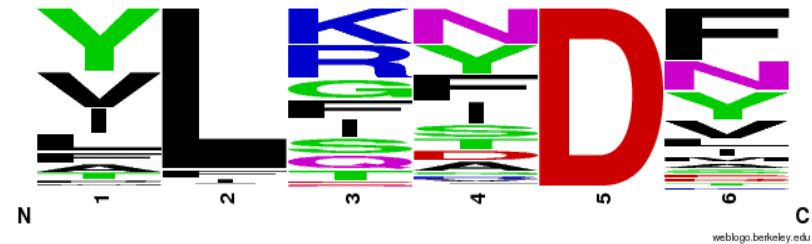
# Data-based model I

Use yeast-display sorting data to define PSSM weights

high-affinity pool (Mcl-1)



high-specificity pool (Mcl-1)

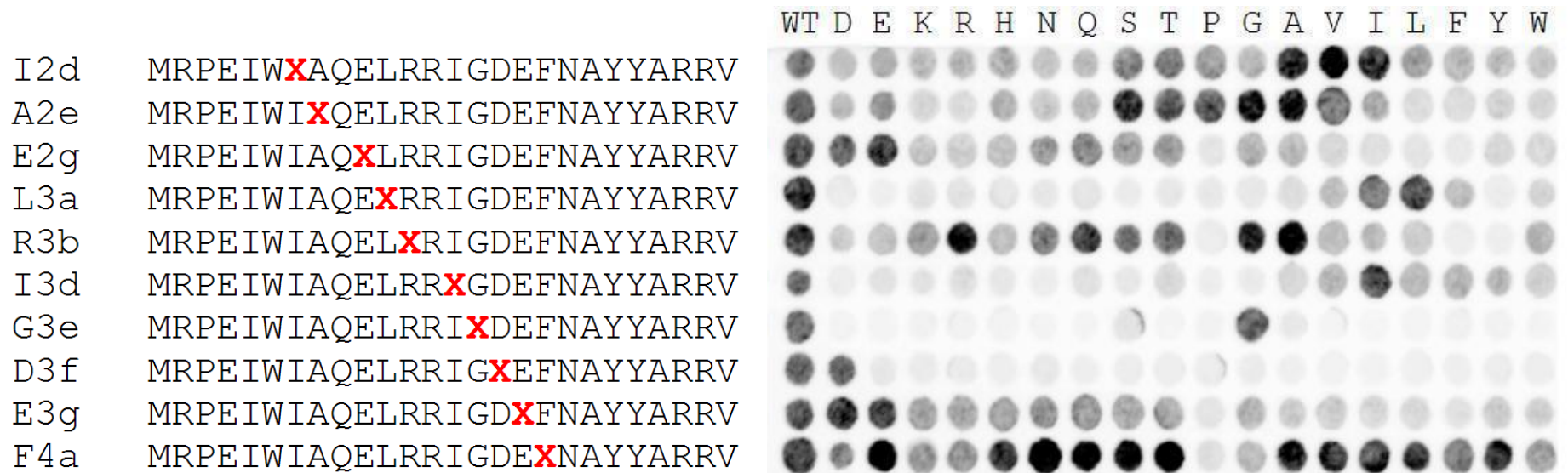


e.g. 2,690 specific sequences

$$\text{Score PSSM}_{\text{DEEP}} = -\sum_i \ln(P_{i,j})$$

$P_{i,j}$  = frequency of residue  $j$  at site  $i$  in sequences from deep sequencing of yeast display pools

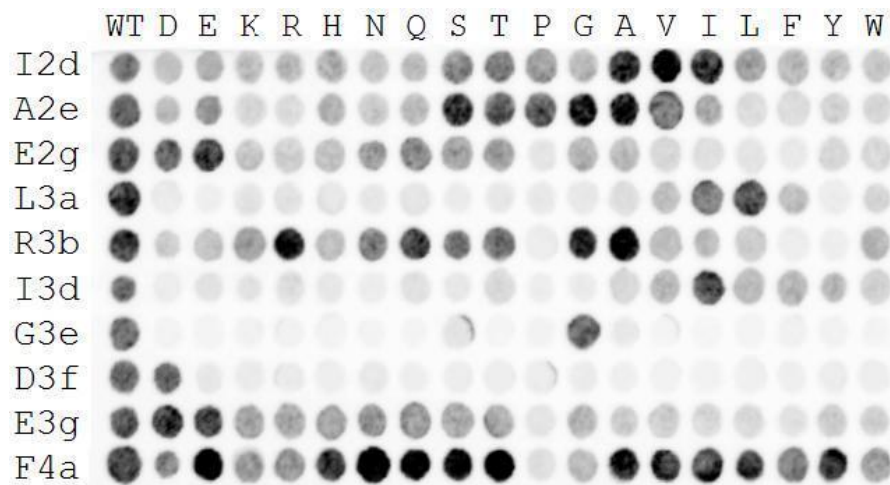
## Data from SPOT arrays



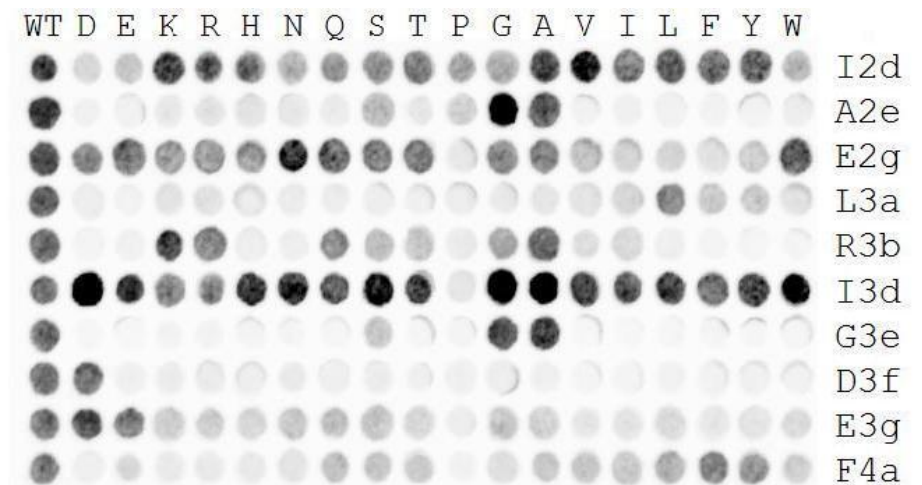
Substitution array probed with 100 nM Mcl-1

# SPOT arrays for Bim-BH3 substitution analysis

100 nM Mcl-1



100 nM Bcl-x<sub>L</sub>

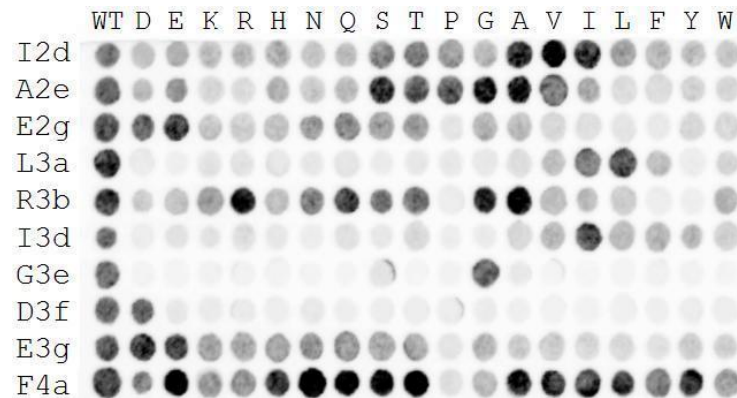


## Data-based model II

Use SPOT substitution array data to define PSSM weights

$$\text{Score PSSM}_{\text{SPOT}} = \sum_i \log (I_{i,j}/I_{i,\text{WT\_res}})$$

$I_{i,j}$  = SPOT intensity for residue  $j$  at site  $i$

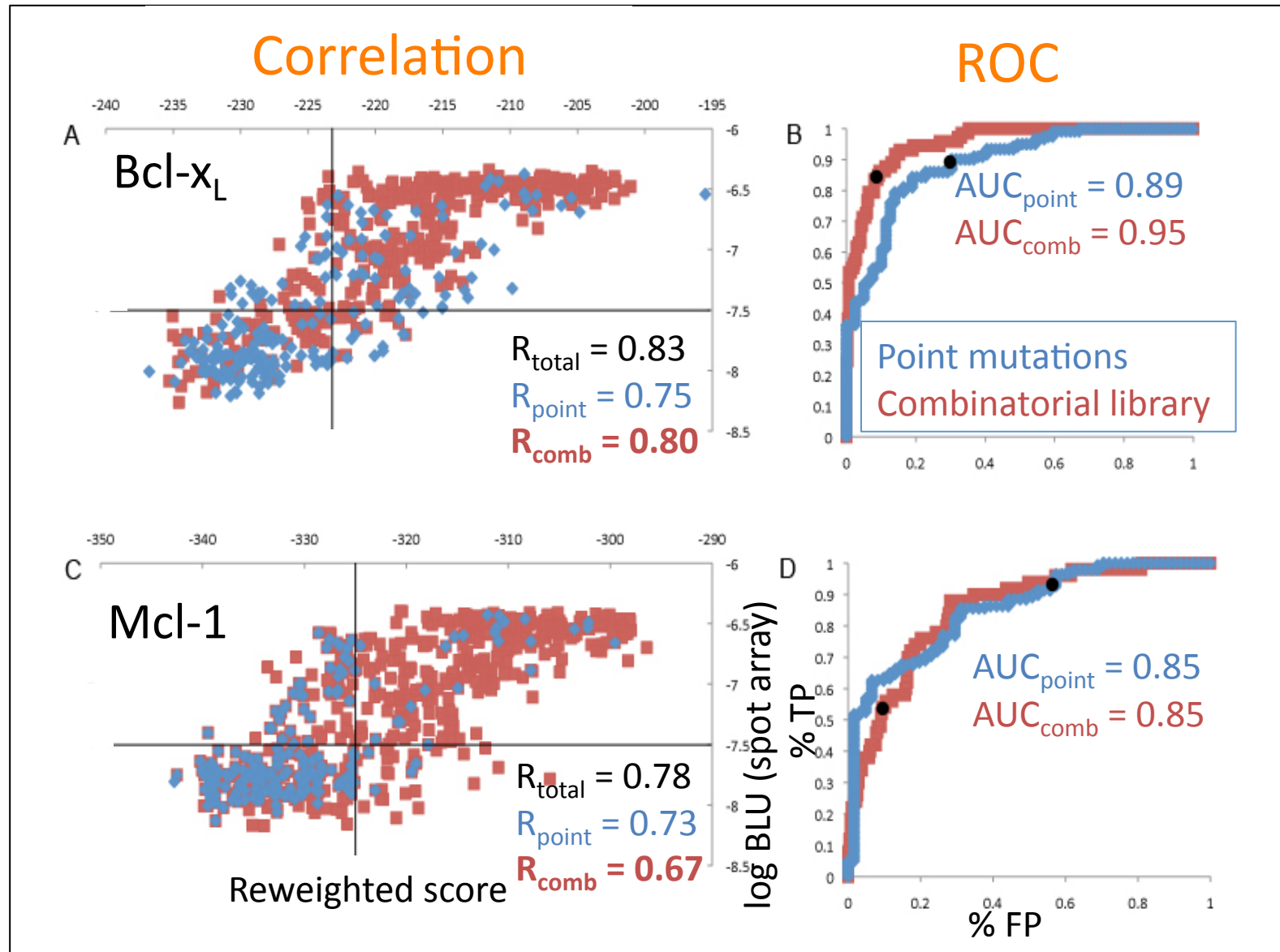


# Structure-based computational models

**Rosetta!**

# Bcl-x<sub>L</sub> & Mcl-1: Slide from Ora's talk last year

London et al. Biochemistry 2012



# STATIUM: A very fast structure-based model



$P_{ij}$  : Probability of amino acid pair  $ij$  at structure of pair  $\text{res}_1\text{-res}_2$   
 $P_i$  : Probability of amino acid  $i$  in the PDB  
 $P_j$  : Probability of amino acid  $j$  in the PDB

$$-\sum_N \log\left(\frac{P_{ij}}{P_i P_j}\right)$$

Critical features:

- Only experimental input is the template structure
- Fixed backbone and no side chain atoms beyond  $C\beta$
- Can score sequences at a rate of  $10^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$

identify interacting residue pairs



<u>res<sub>1</sub></u>	<u>res<sub>2</sub></u>
BH3-4a	Receptor-45
BH3-4a	Receptor-86
BH3-3a	Receptor-91
BH3-3c	BH3-3g

etc...

AA pair probs. from PDB



calculate distances

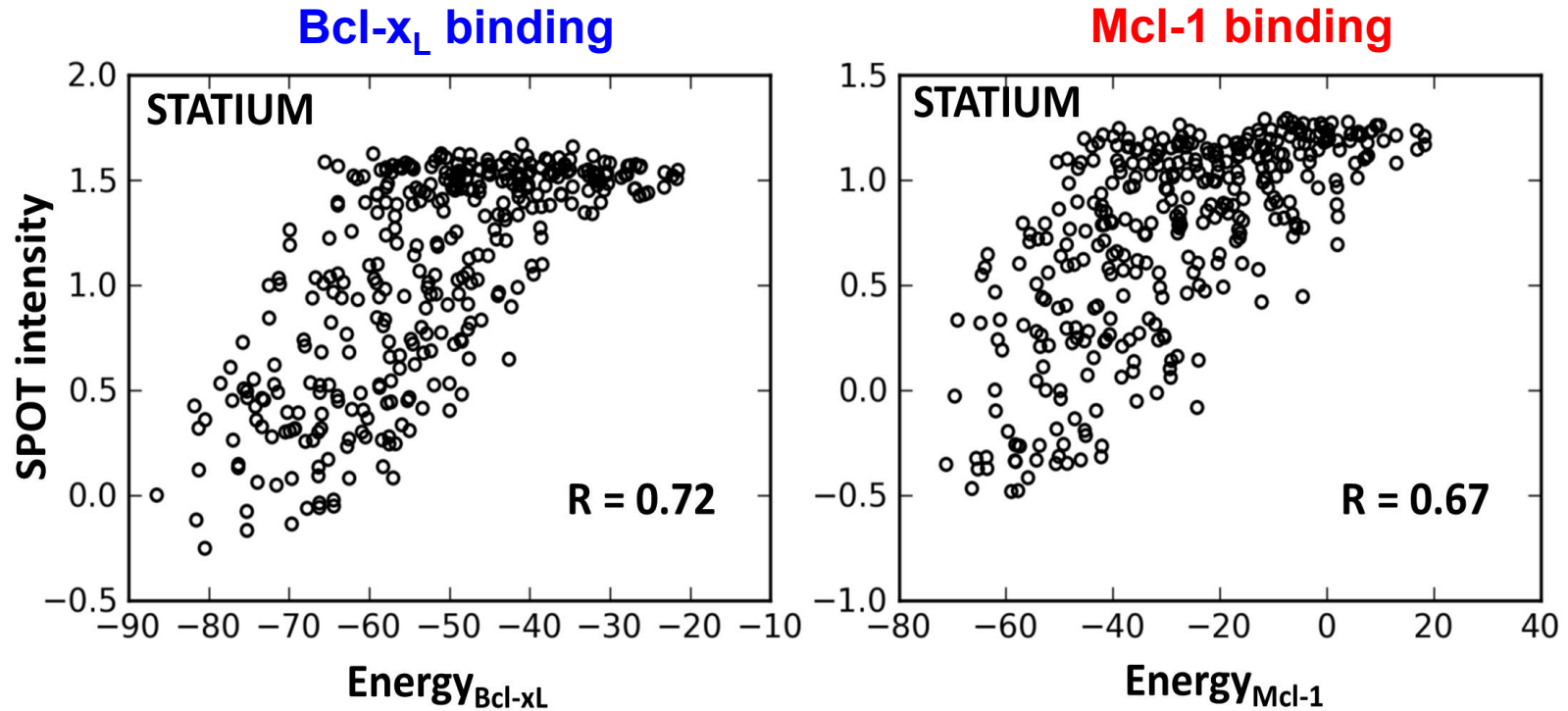


$C\beta_{\text{distance}}$	$C\alpha_{\text{distance}}$
<u>res<sub>1</sub>-res<sub>2</sub></u>	<u>res<sub>1</sub>-res<sub>2</sub></u>
6.1	7.5
6.2	8.8
6.1	8.3
6.5	6.8

**How much accuracy is lost to speed?**

# Test 1: Experimental SPOT intensities vs. STATIUM

360 peptides including 1-5 mutations in Bim BH3



## Performance of FlexPepBind on the same dataset

unoptimized:  $R = 0.62, 0.62$

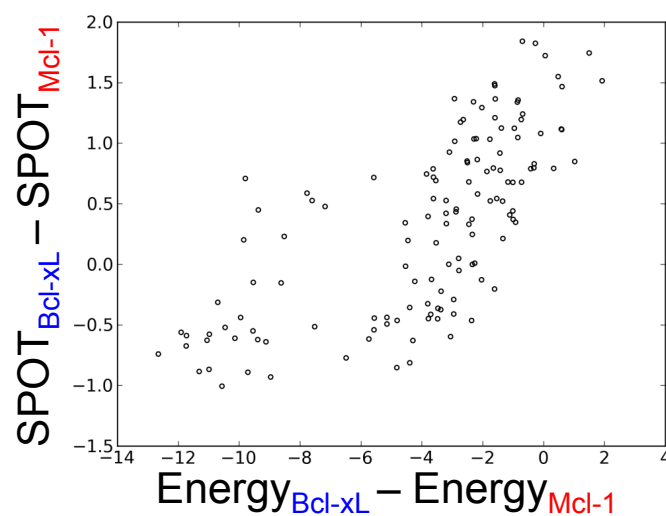
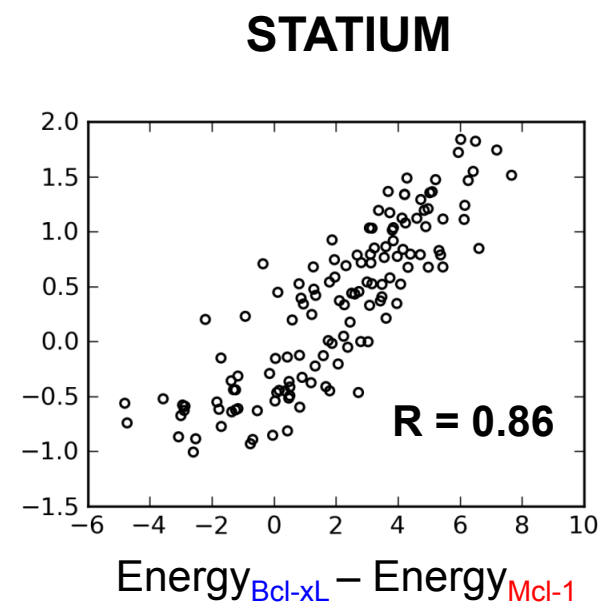
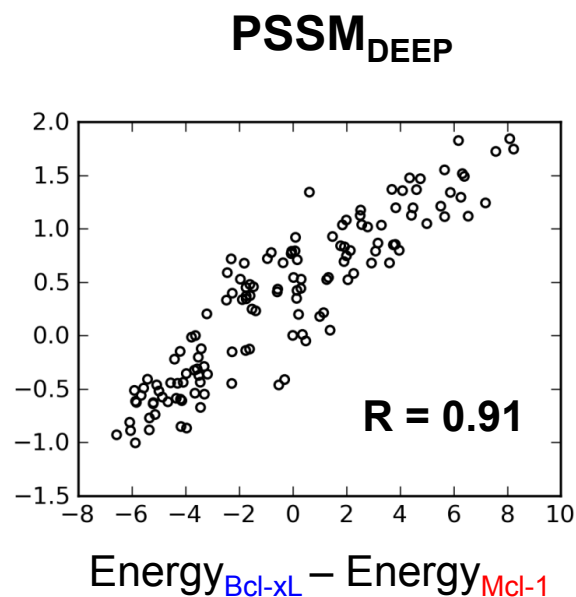
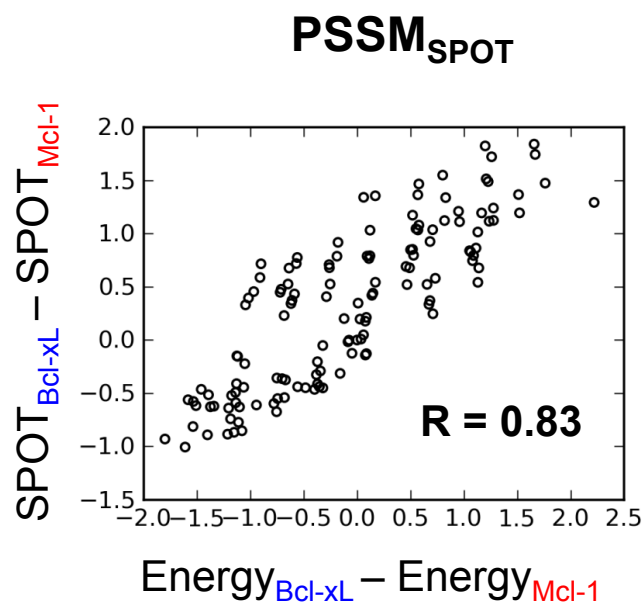
optimized:  $R = 0.8, 0.67$

(London et al. Biochemistry)



# Test 2: Distinguish Mcl-1 vs. Bcl-x<sub>L</sub> SPOT signals

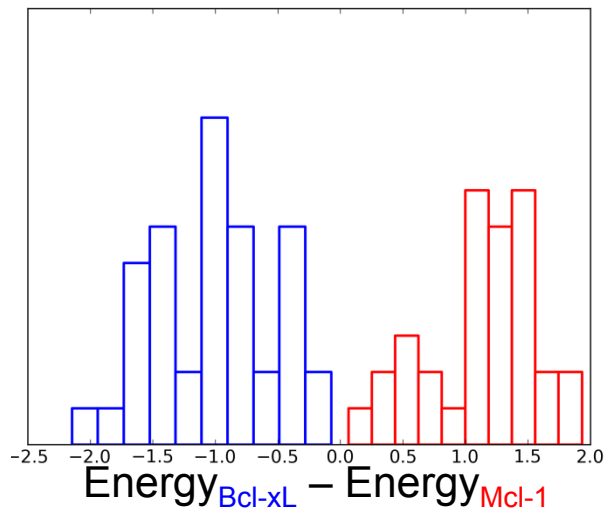
~140 peptides including 1-5 mutations in Bim BH3



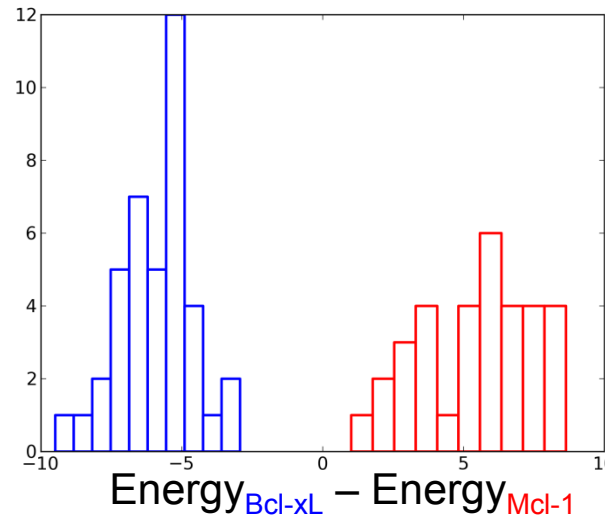
**FlexPep Bind**  
**R = 0.75**

# Test 3: Distinguish Mcl-1 vs. Bcl-x<sub>L</sub> specific sequences identified by yeast screening

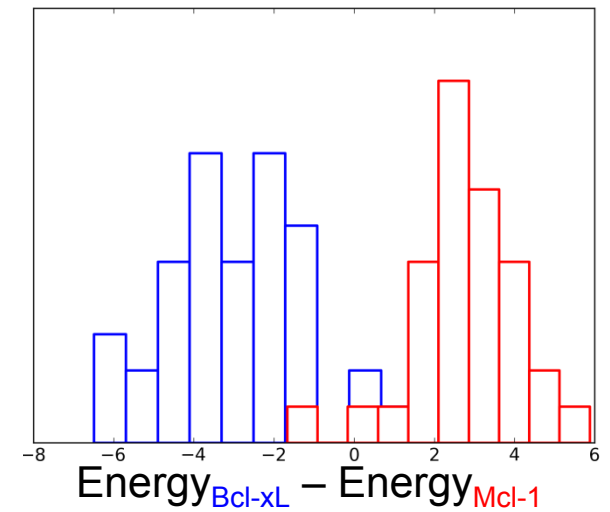
**PSSM<sub>SPOT</sub>**



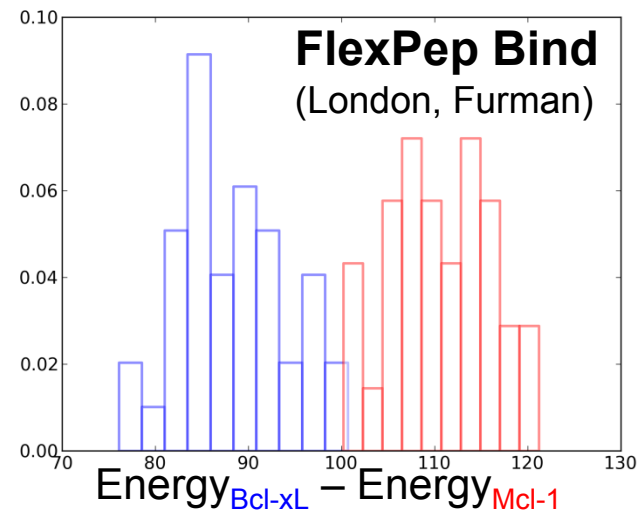
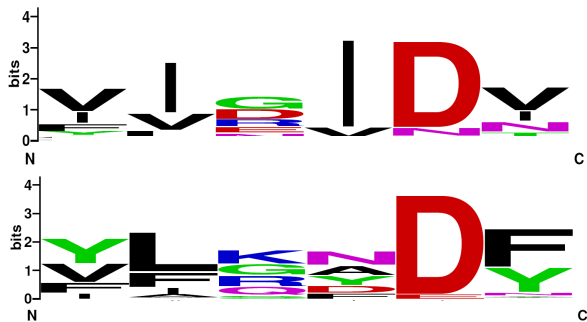
**PSSM<sub>DEEP</sub>**



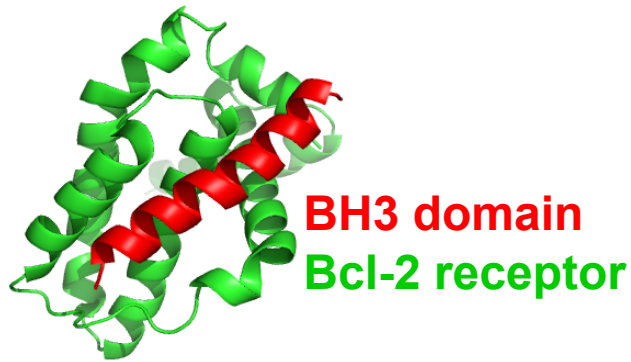
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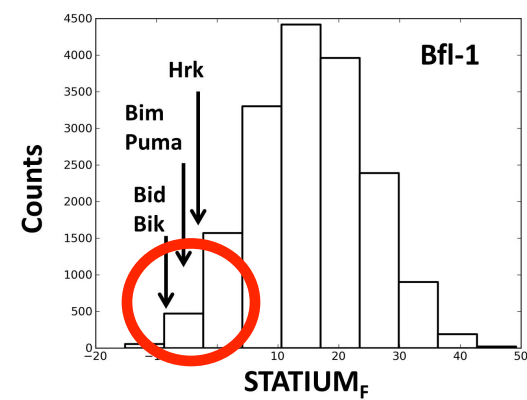
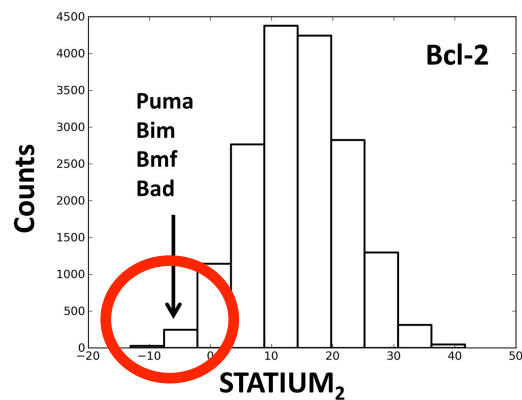
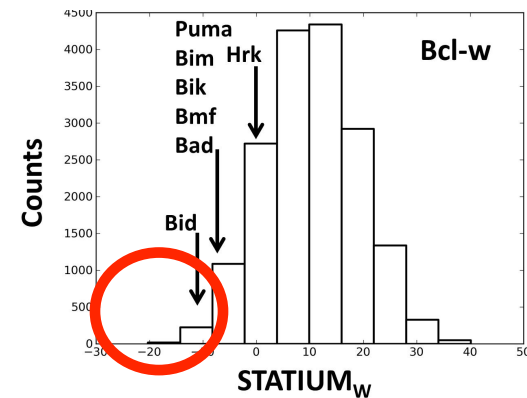
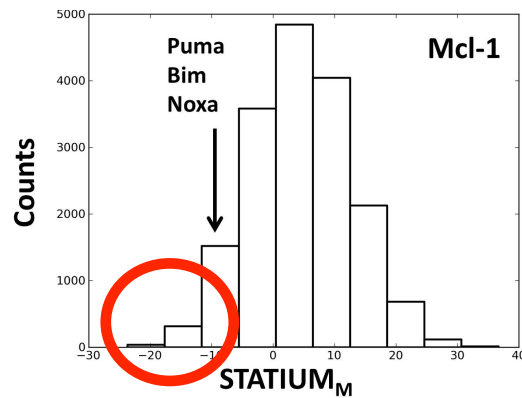
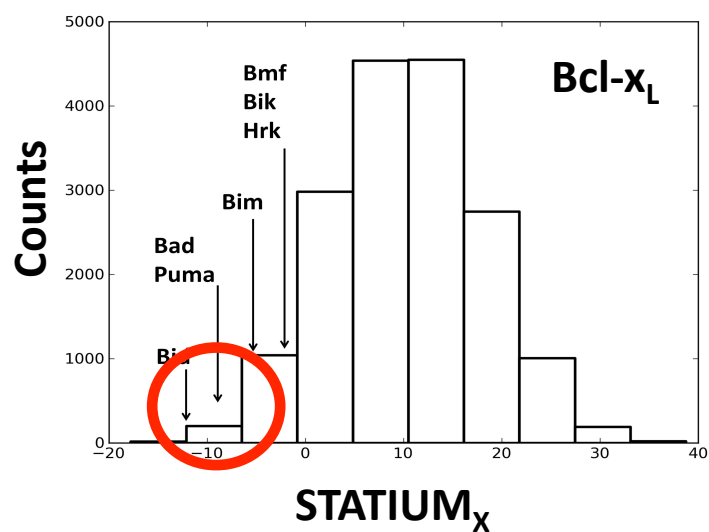
## Methods used to discover the current Bcl-2 interactome

<b>BH3 Domains</b>	<b>First method used to discover Bcl-2 interaction</b>	
<b>Bim:</b>	Phage $\lambda$ screening of cDNA libraries	O'Connor et al. EmboJ 1998
<b>Bid:</b>	Phage $\lambda$ screening of cDNA libraries	Wang et al. Genes Dev. 1996
<b>Bad:</b>	Yeast two-hybrid	Yang et al. Cell 1995
<b>Bok:</b>	Yeast two-hybrid	Hsu et al. PNAS 1997
<b>Hrk:</b>	Yeast two-hybrid	Inohara et al. EmboJ 1997
<b>Bmf:</b>	Yeast two-hybrid	Puthalakath et al. Science 2001
<b>Beclin:</b>	Yeast two-hybrid	Liang et al. J Virol. 1998
<b>Nip1/2/3:</b>	Yeast two-hybrid	Boyd et al. Cell 1994
<b>Noxa:</b>	Coimmunoprecipitation	Oda et al. Science 2000
<b>Puma:</b>	Coimmunoprecipitation	Nakano et al. Mol. Cell 2001
<b>Mule:</b>	Coimmunoprecipitation	Zhong et al. Science 2005
<b>Bik:</b>	Coimmunoprecipitation	Gillissen et al. EmboJ 2003

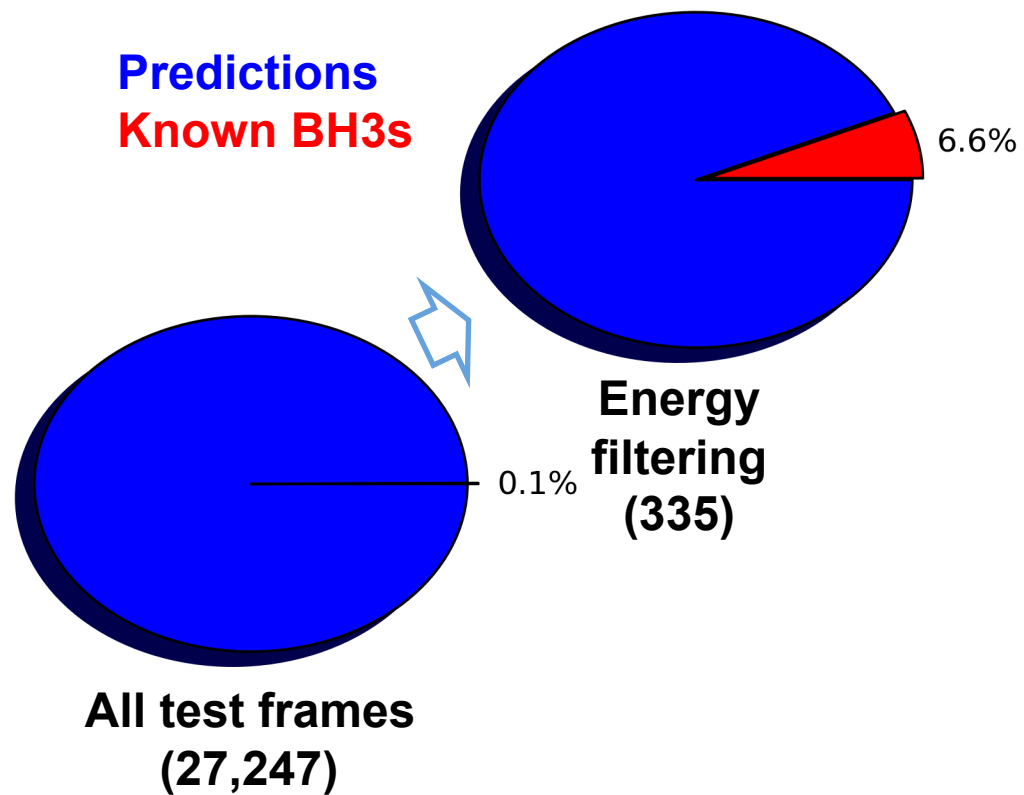
**There may be many more BH3 domains.  
Can we find them?**

# There are 5 human Bcl-2 receptors

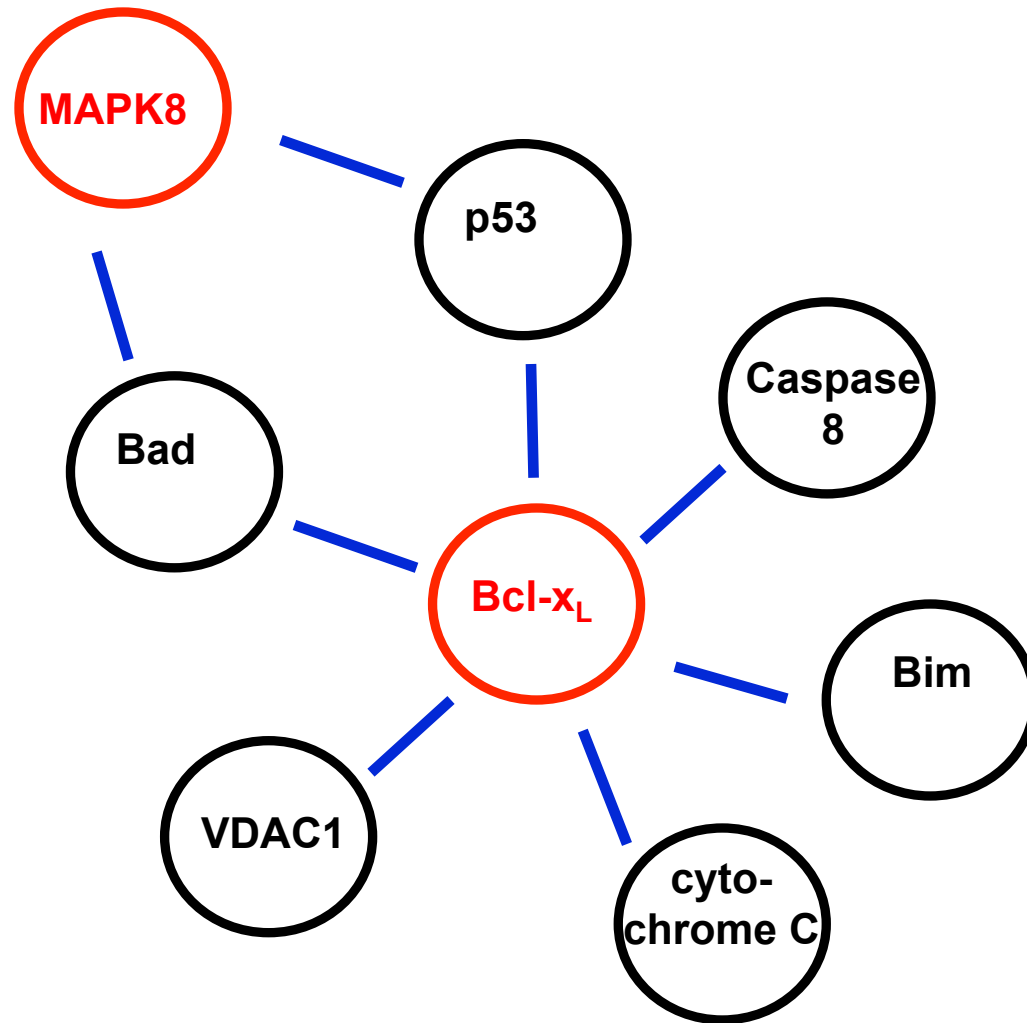
## Scan the human genome with 5 STATIUM models



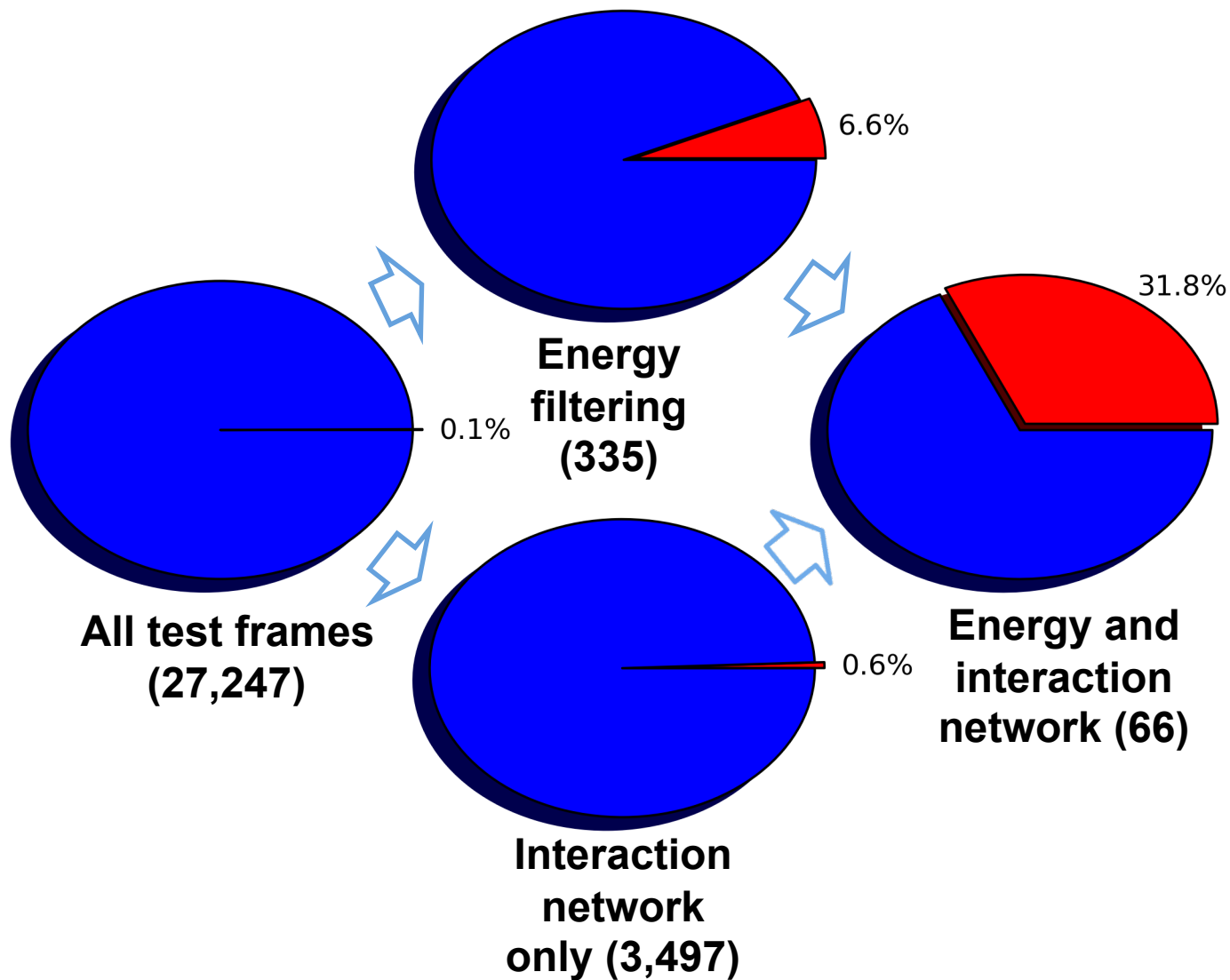
# Increasing enrichment in known binders



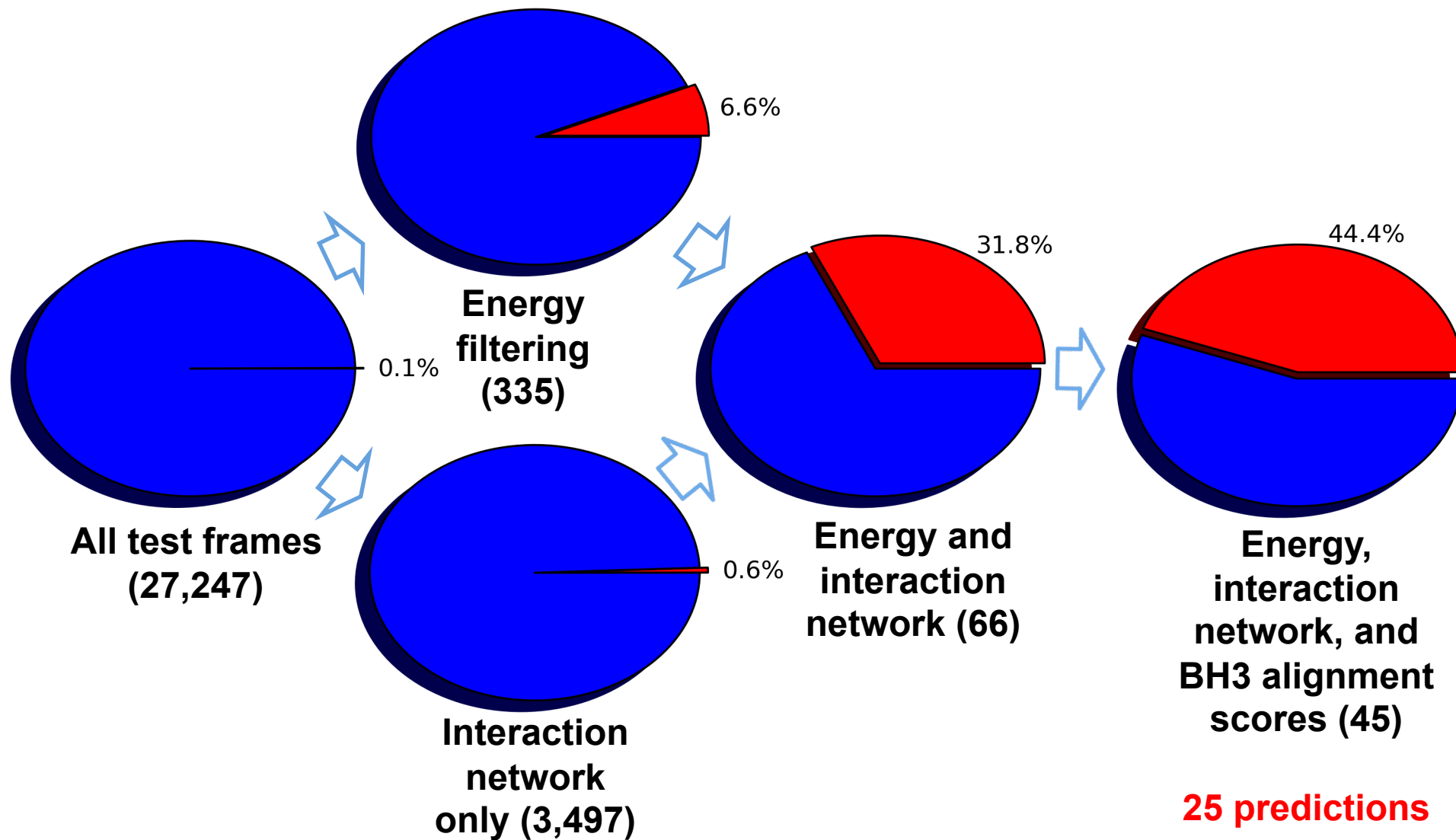
## Interaction network screening (HPRED data)



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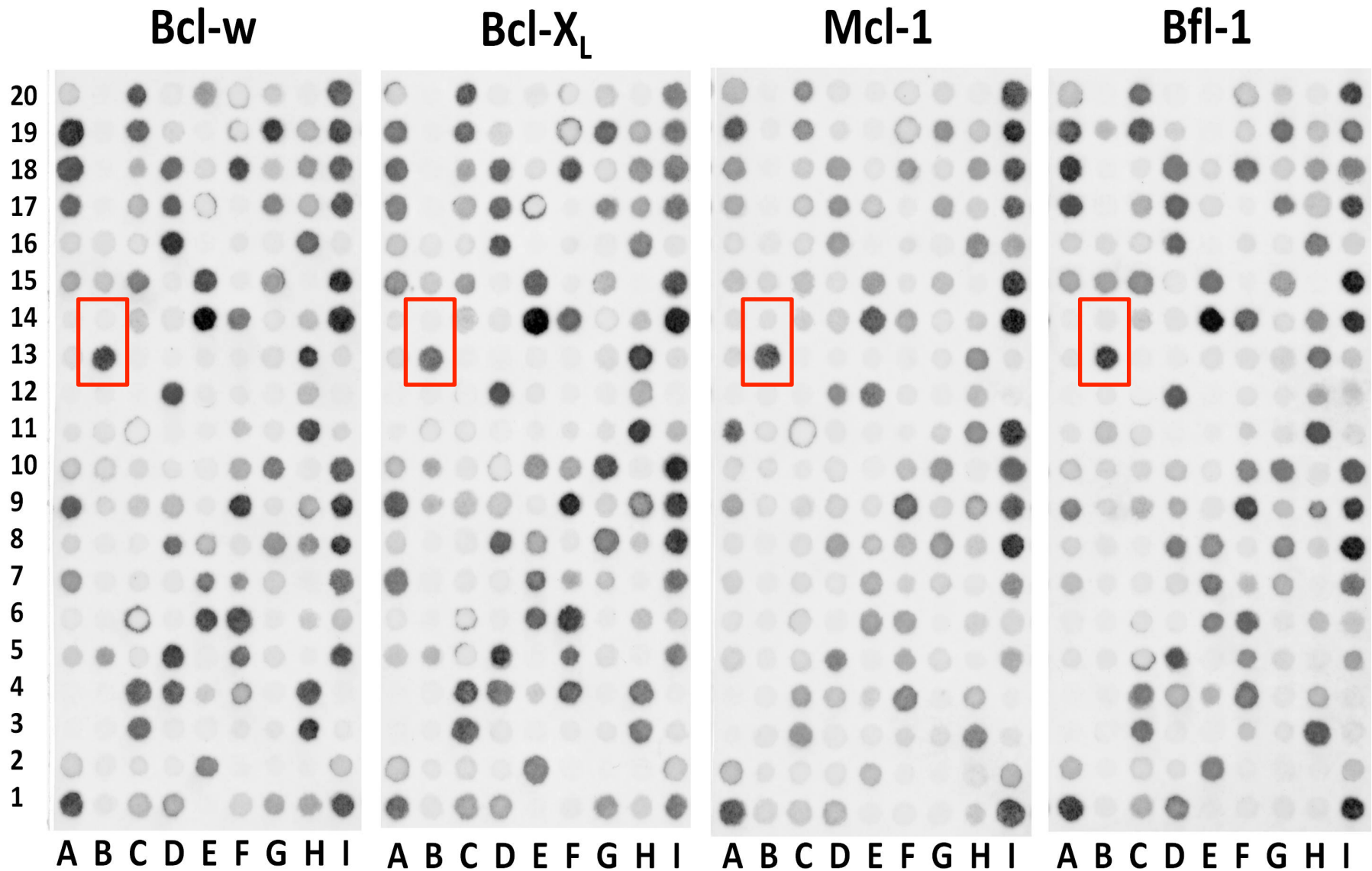


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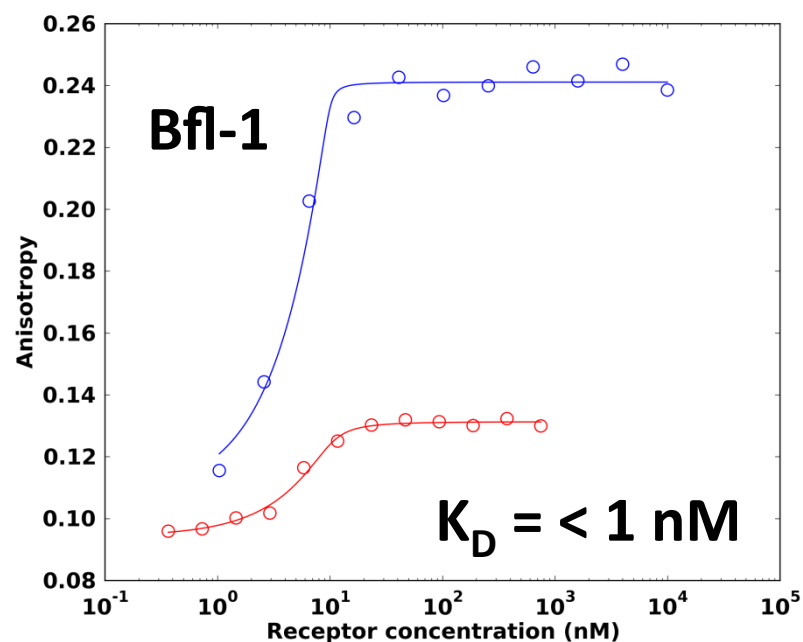
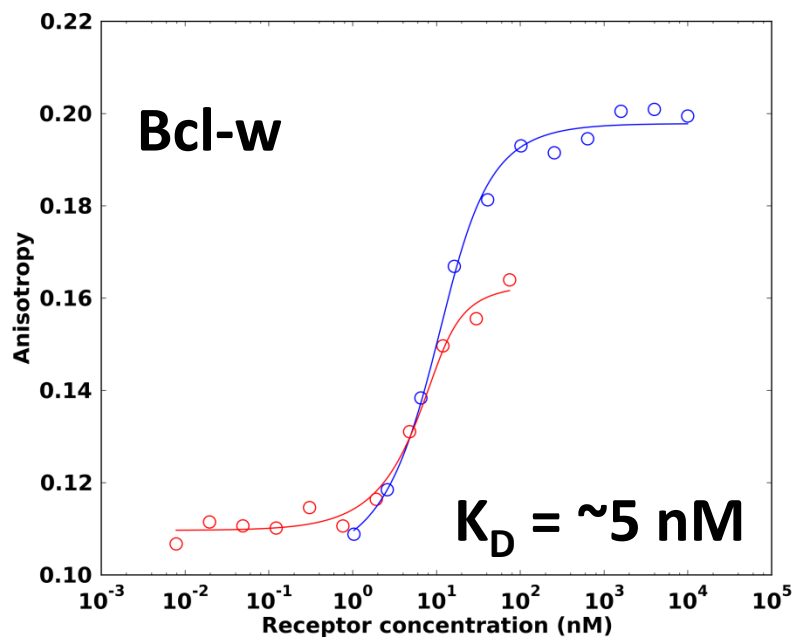
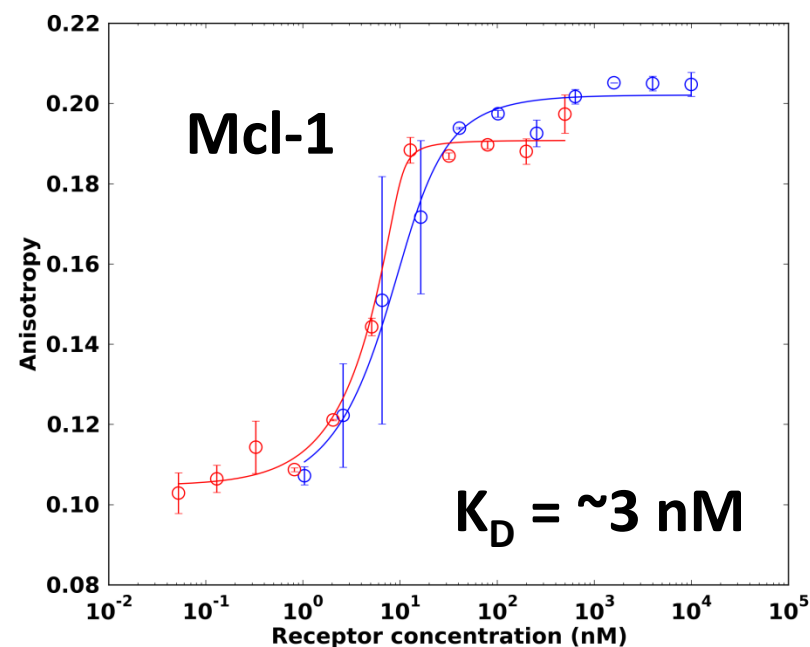
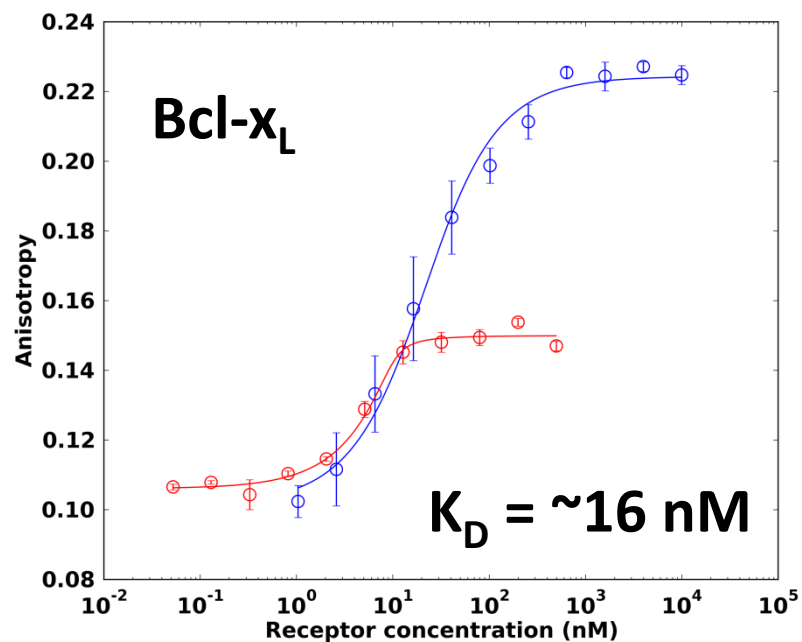


# SPOT arrays reveal many potential genome hits

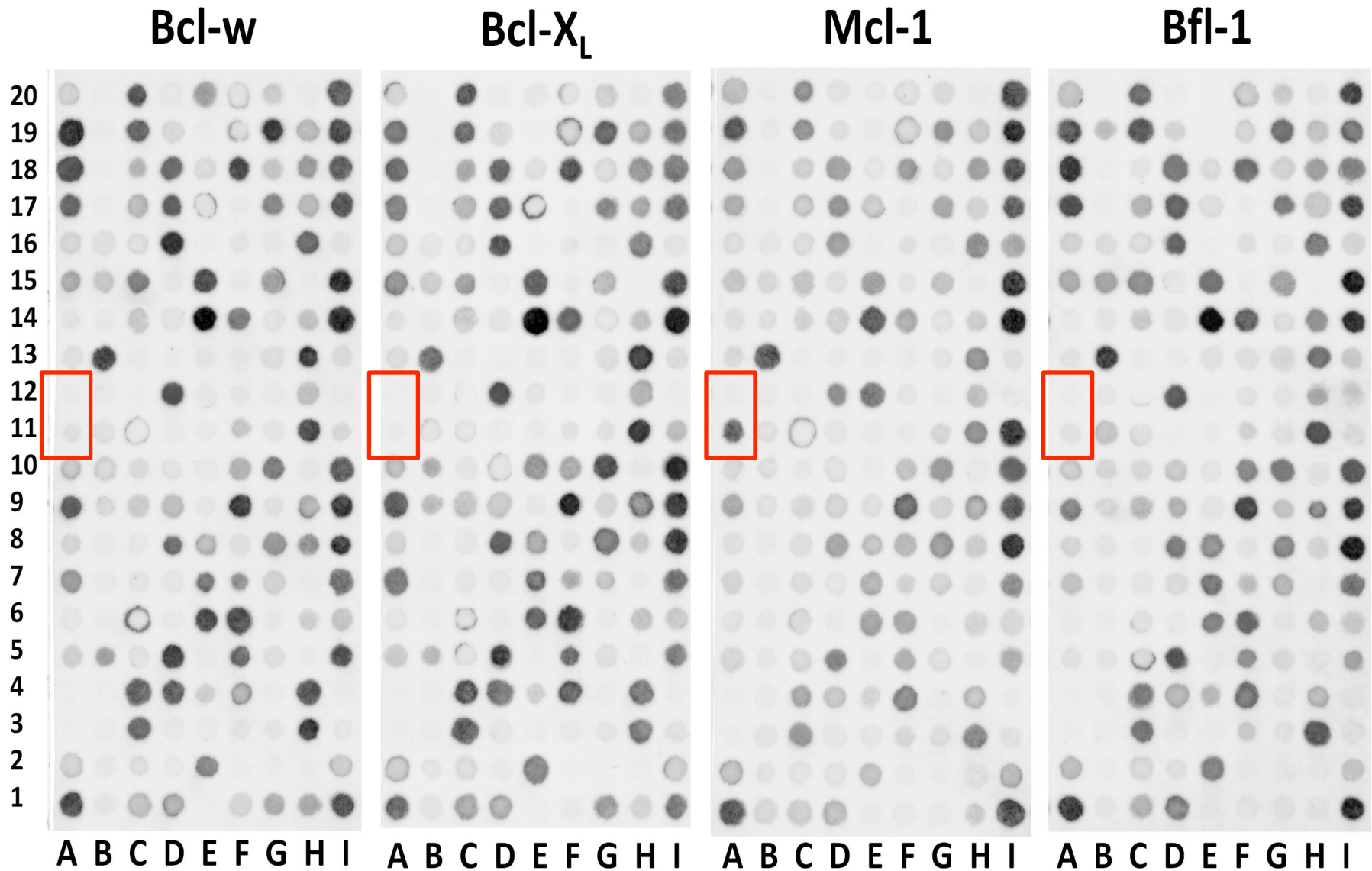


# Fluorescence polarization binding in solution

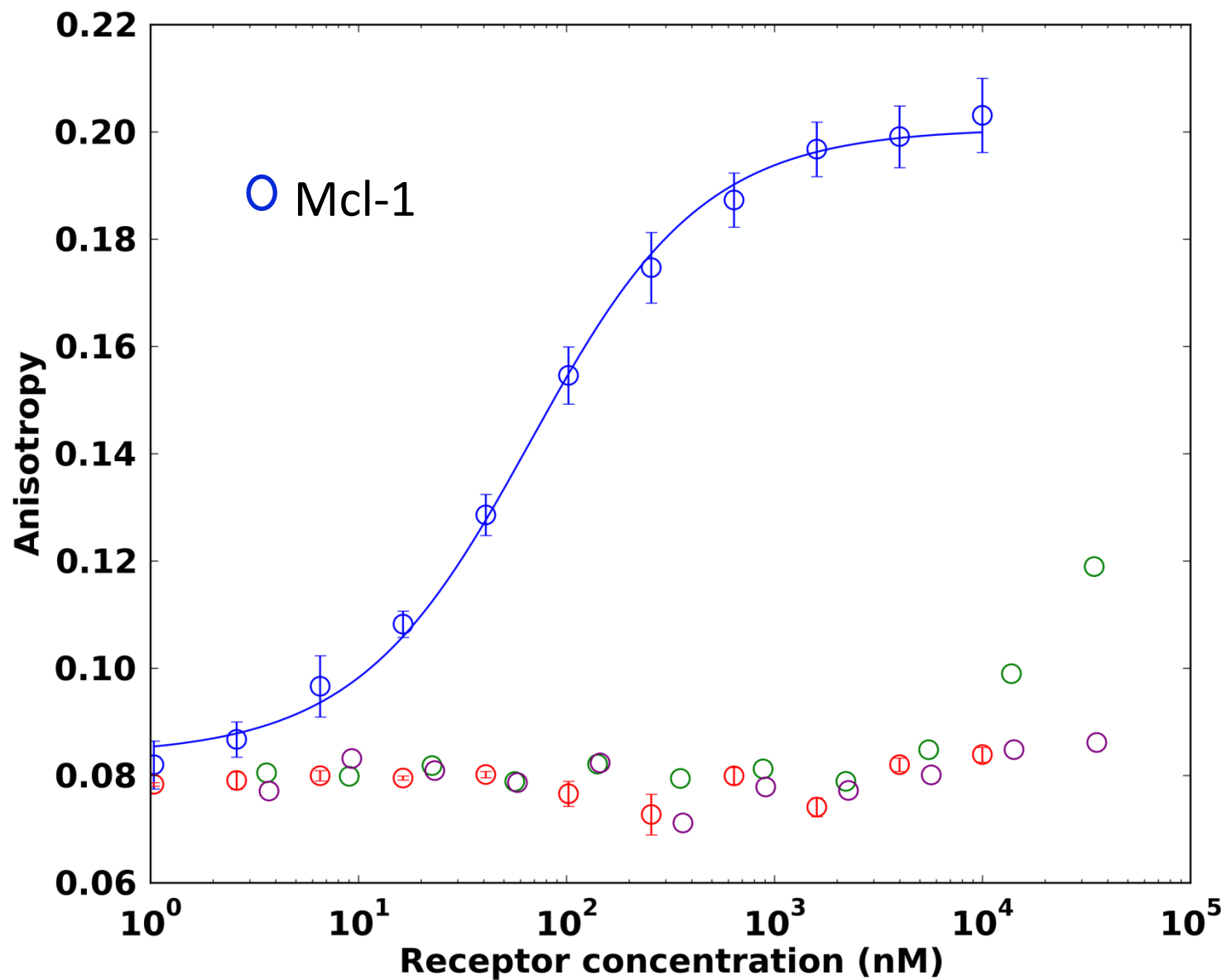
- Bim
- SmallT



# Some hits are selective for specific receptors



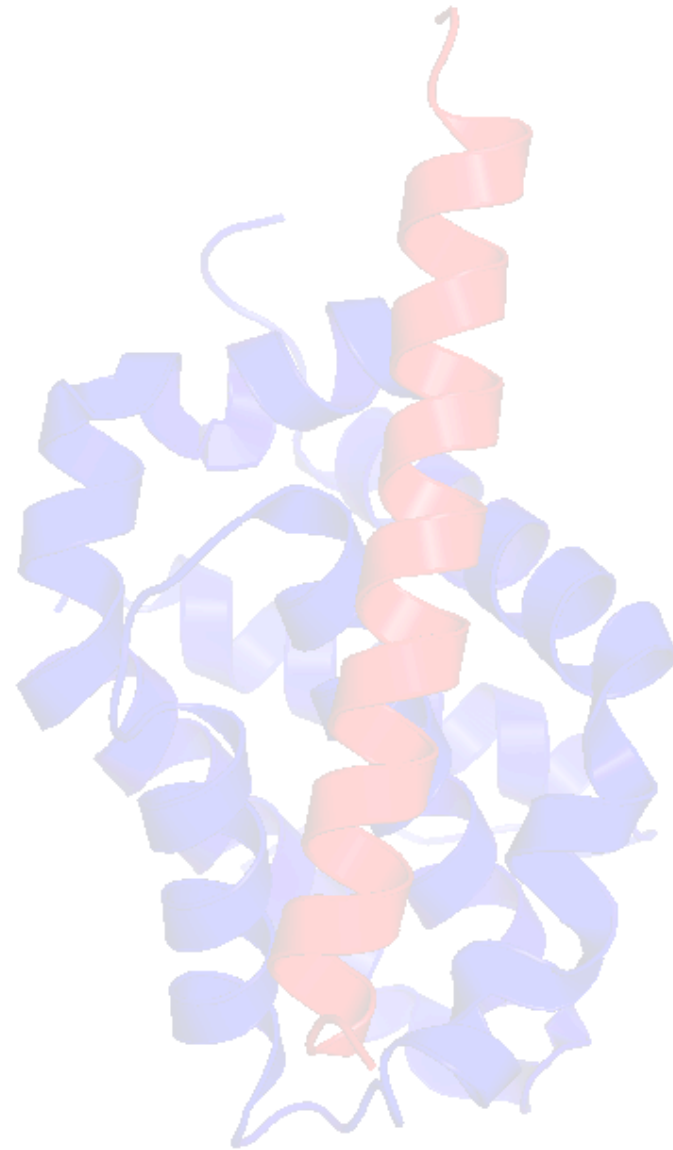
## Solution assays reveal binding to Mcl-1 at ~60 nM



## **Current/Future directions**

STATIUM: When does it work? Why does it work? How can it be improved? Can it be used in conjunction with FlexPep Bind, which accounts much better for structural flexibility and detailed atomic interactions?

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