

Role of AnkyrinG in linking the spectrin-based membrane skeleton to integral membrane proteins the Na⁺/Ca⁺⁺ exchanger, the Na⁺/K⁺ ATPase, and voltage-gated sodium channels and its contribution to epilepsy

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Abstract- There are specific alterations in the structure or function of ion channels in the epileptic brain. Few of the alterations may trigger hyperexcitability and the others prevent nerve cells from being damaged due to epileptic discharges. Ion channels assist in regulation of the excitation in the CNS. Mutation in ion channel genes contributes to epileptic seizures. AnkyrinG, a family of adaptor proteins helps in association of integral membrane proteins to the spectrin-actin based membrane skeleton. Absence of AnkyrinG expression may lead to impaired ability in generating action potential. Sodium ion channel requires AnkyrinG for its proper localization. In absence of AnkyrinG clustering of voltage gated sodium channel is affected which is required for generating action potential.

INTRODUCTION

Ankyrin are a family of adaptor proteins that helps in the association of integral membrane proteins to the spectrin based skeleton. Ankyrin have binding sites for the beta subunit of spectrin and for about 12 families of integral membrane proteins. This association is needed to maintain the integrity of plasma membrane to stem many ion channels and ion transporters in the plasma membrane. Ankyrins are encoded by three genes ANK1, ANK2 and ANK3. The products of ANK1, ANK2 and ANK3 are ankyrinR, ankyrinB and ankyrinG proteins respectively. Out of the above three proteins encoded by ankyrin genes, ankyrinB and ankyrinG have been recognized in neurons. AnkyrinB and AnkyrinG proteins are required for charged distribution of several membrane proteins like Na⁺/K⁺ ATPase and voltage gated sodium channel. AnkyrinG has been found involved in the bipolar disorder. Ankyrin brings about intracellular trafficking of alpha1-Na⁺-K⁺-ATPase in polarized cells. Alteration in ankyrin contributed to many hereditary disorders which is due to improper localization of membrane proteins. Ankyrin dependent pathway for transport of Na⁺-K⁺ -ATPase is facilitated by assembly of ion channels in presence of Ankyrin. Ankyrin consists of 3 major domains: a membrane binding domain with a like folding structure and 24 consecutive repeats called MB domain, a spectrin-binding domain and a death domain called DC domain. Interaction with ankyrinG is vital for the localization of voltage gated sodium channels to at the axon initial and for neurons to trigger action potentials. The conserved 9-amino acid motif is required for ankyrinG binding and to channelize sodium ion channel to various excitable membrane domain. This motif has been also confirmed in ion channel proteins KCNQ2 and KCNQ3.

METHODOLOGY

The amino acid sequence for AnkyrinG is retrieved from SWISS-PROT database. The retrieved amino acid was subjected for domain prediction. Interproscan tool was used for domain prediction. All the three different domains were displayed by Interproscan. We downloaded PDB file of ankyrin to predict the active site. 1UOH file was downloaded in PDB format. Active site of Ankyrin was predicted using Active site prediction server software. We retrieved the amino acid sequence for KCNQ2 and KCNQ3 Nav from SWISS-PROT database. Using Activesite prediction tool we predicted the cavities of Ankyrin which will bind to ligand molecule. We predicted domain of KCNQ2 and KCNQ3 using nine amino acids transactivation domain prediction tool.

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

We studied the cavities of Ankyrin protein which binds to Sodium and Potassium ion channel proteins to localize ion-channels in proper direction so as to trigger action potential.

Cavities	
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Fig1: Activeste Cavities for Ankyrin Protein

Nine Amino Acids Transactivation Domain (9aa TAD) Prediction Tool

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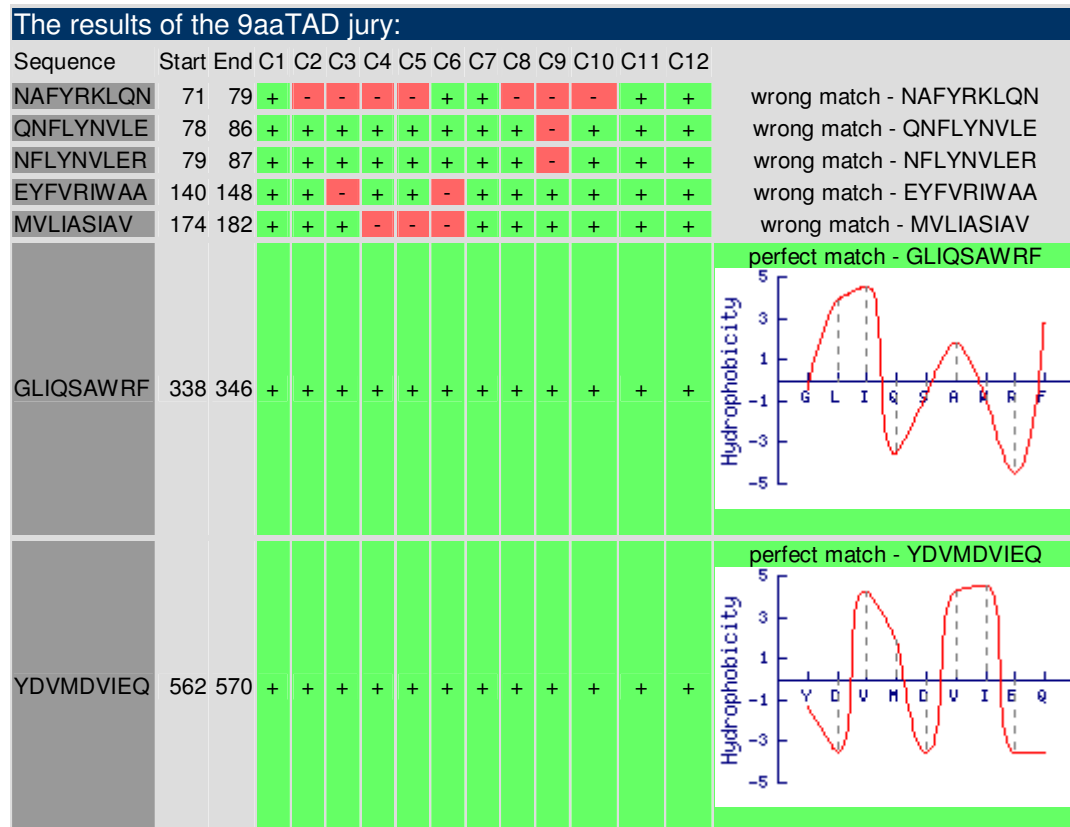


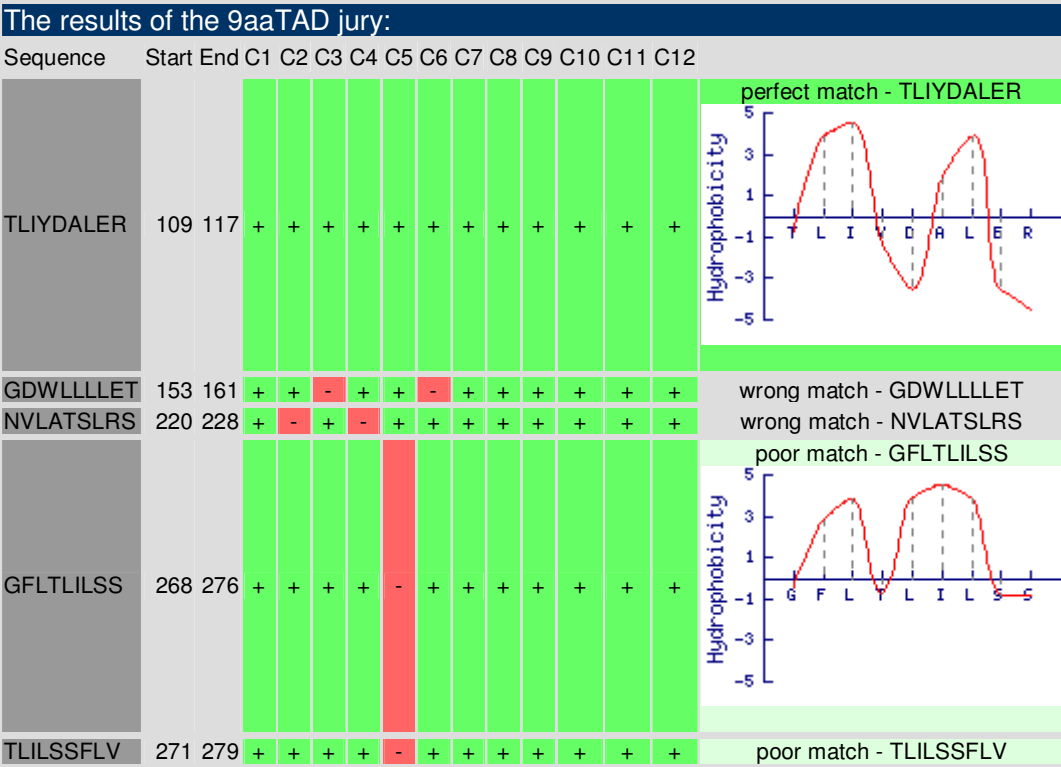
Fig: 2 Domain prediction of HUMAN_KCNQ2

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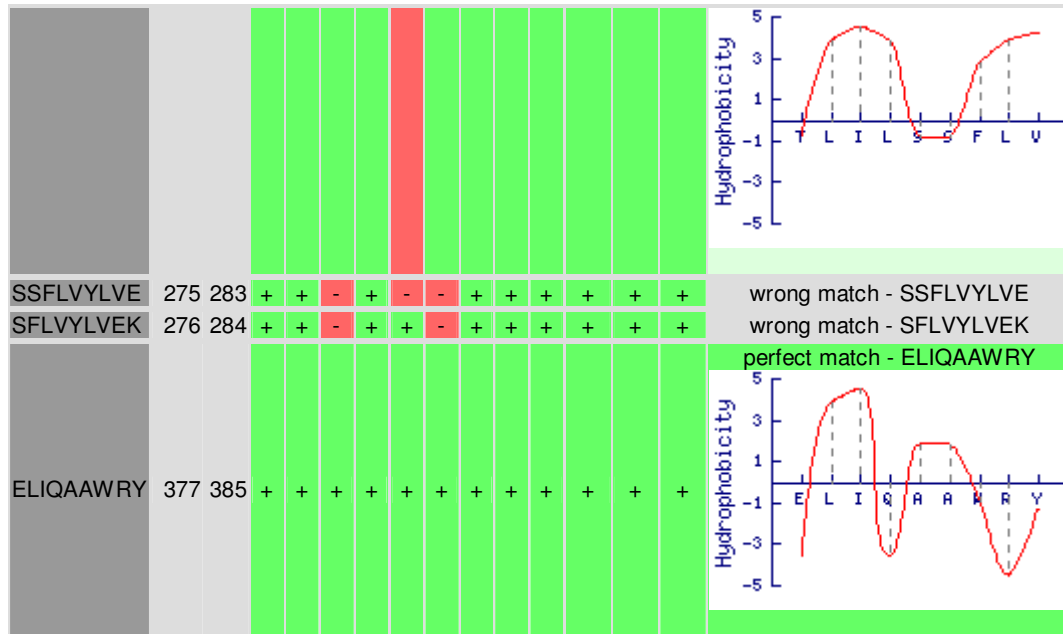


Fig: 3 Domain prediction of HUMAN_KCNQ3

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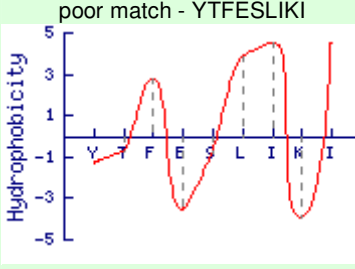
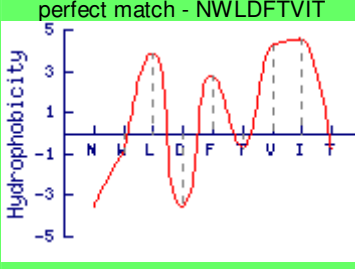
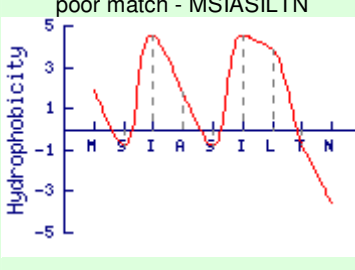
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ESLIKIAR	168	176	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	wrong match - ESLIKIAR
NWLDFTVIT	191	199	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	perfect match - NWLDFTVIT 
GALIQSVKK	238	246	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	wrong match - GALIQSVKK
TLINETVFE	303	311	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	wrong match - TLINETVFE
TVFEFDWKS	308	316	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	wrong match - TVFEFDWKS
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NDFFHSLFI	935	943	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	wrong match - NDFFHSLFI
GEWIETMWD	950	958	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	perfect match - GEWIETMWD
TVFMMVMVI	970	978	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	wrong match - TVFMMVMVI
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DIMYAAVDS	1436	1444	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	wrong match - DIMYAAVDS
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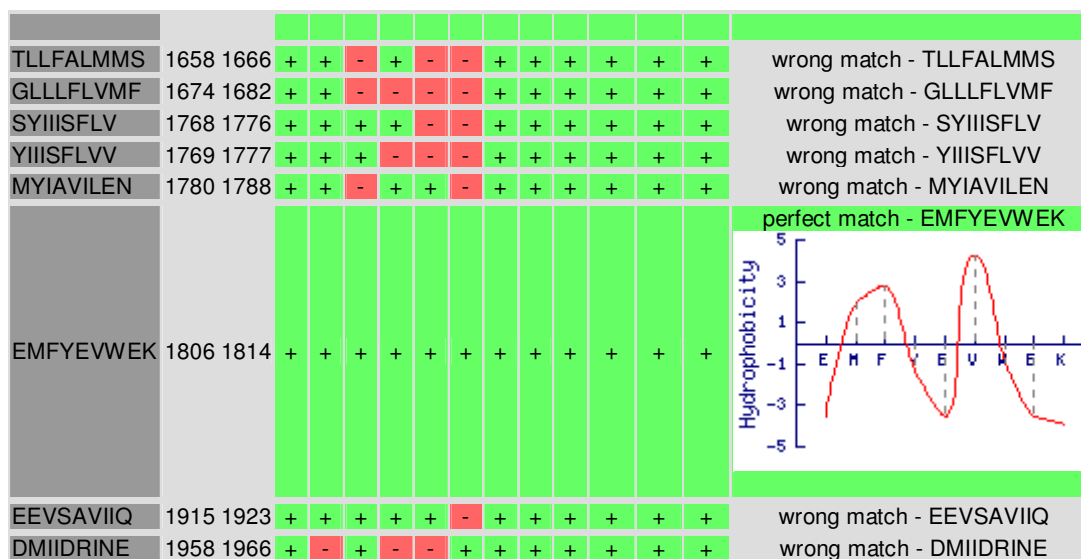


Fig4: Domain prediction of HUMAN_SCN1A

CONCLUSION

Ankyrin plays a very important role in association of ion channels –both sodium and potassium ion channel which is essential in generating action potential. If there is any alteration in AnkyrinG it is going to affect the movement of ions across ion channels and may be a leading cause of impairment in functioning of Central nervous system.

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