

# CSM-lig: a web server for assessing and comparing protein-small molecule affinities

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## Supplementary Material

### 1 Figures

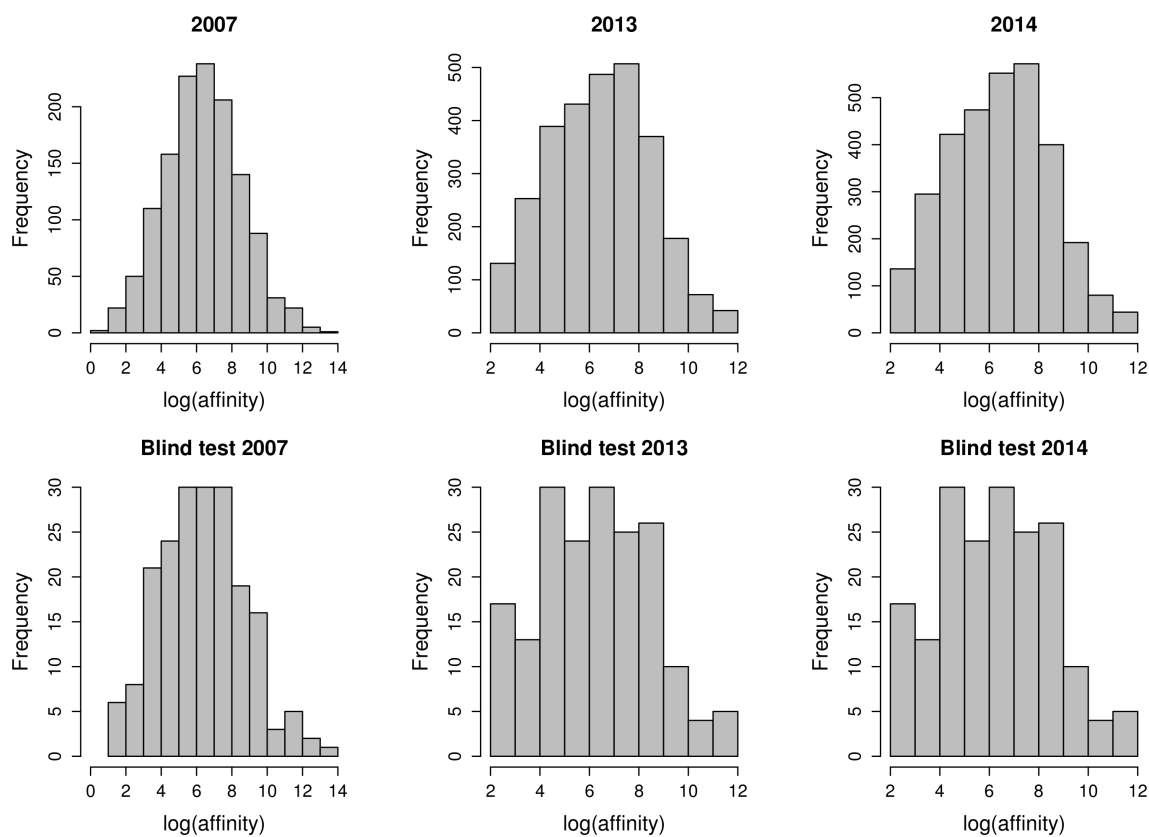
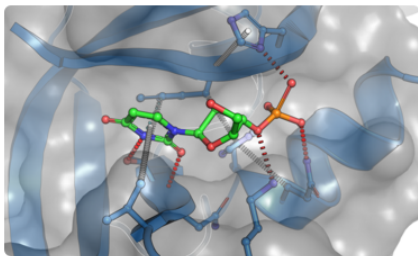


Figure 1: Distribution of experimental affinities for protein-ligand complexes in different PDBbind releases. The distribution of affinities for the blind tests (core sets) are also shown.

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## Small-molecule affinity



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 No user information will be retained on the system after being uploaded by the user.

### Single structure

Protein/small-molecule complex - PDB format  
 Example: [2F0Z](#)

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Small-molecule ID (as in PDB)  
 Example: [ZMR](#)

Canonical SMILES string of small-molecule  
 Example: CC(=O)Oc1ccccc1C(=O)O

### Multiple structures

Protein/small-molecule complexes (as a .zip file).  
 Do not include directories in the .zip file.

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Upload information file (tab-separated file)

Files are not expected to have headers identifying the columns. **Important**

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Figure 2: CSM-Lig job submission interface. Users have the option to perform CSM-Lig predictions on a single uploaded structure or in multiple structures uploaded in a compressed file.

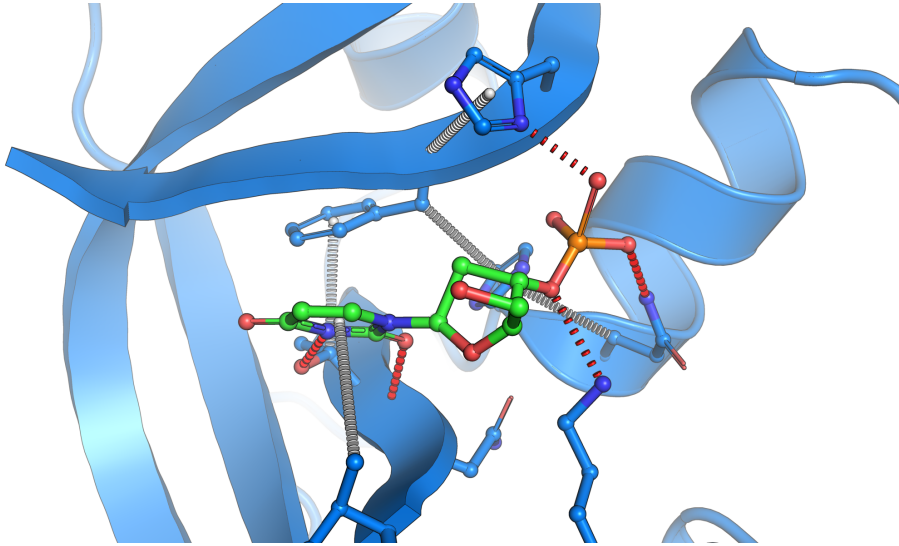


Figure 3: Example of visualization of protein-small molecule interactions generated by Arpeggio (Jubb H and Blundell TL, Unpublished Data) and made available on CSM-Lig. Hydrogen bonds are shown as red dashes and carbon-pi interactions as grey dashes. PDB ID: 1W4P was used.

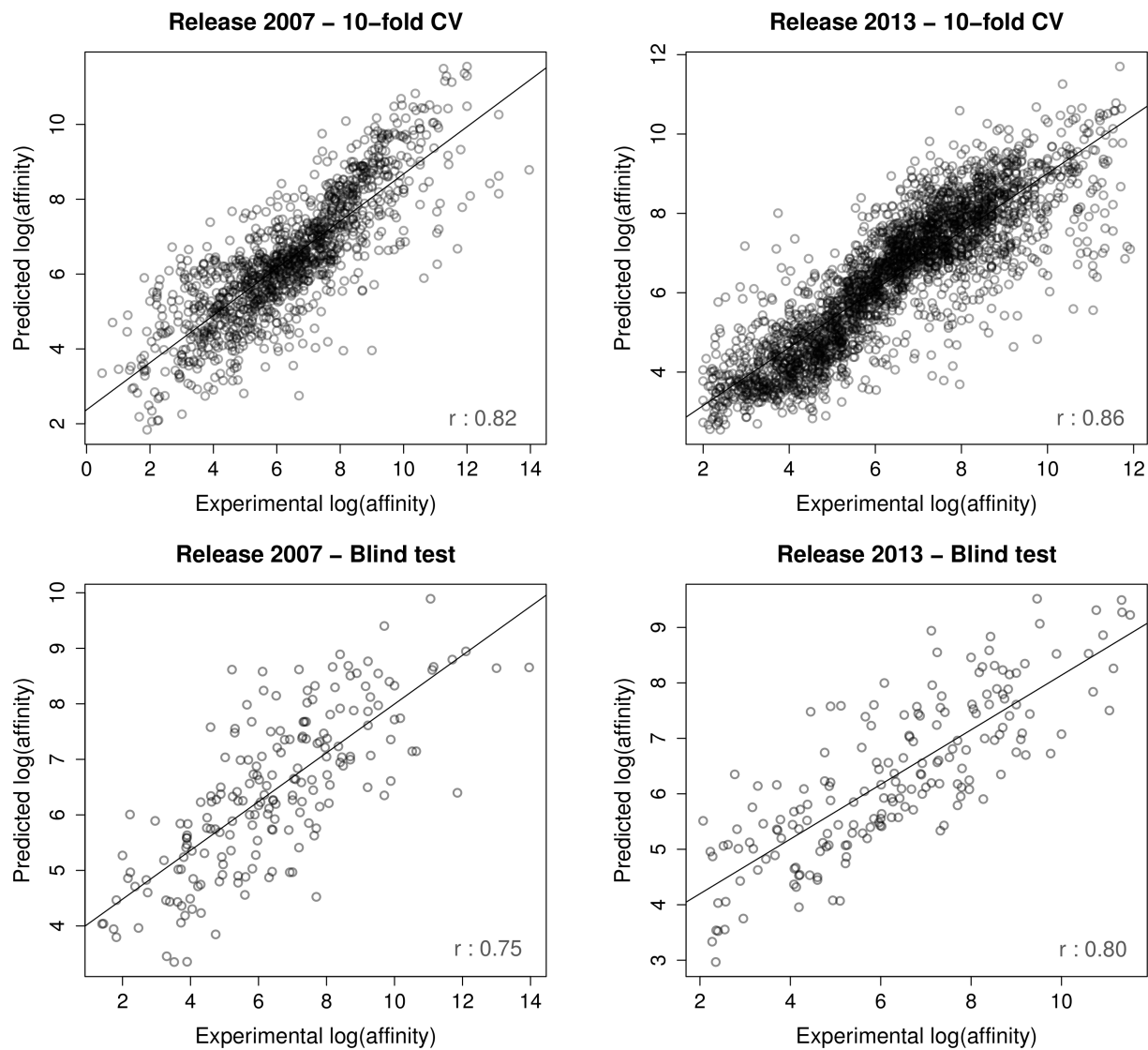


Figure 4: Regression plot between experimental and predicted affinities by CSM-lig on the PDBbind 2007 and 2013 releases. The graph on the top depicts the performance of CSM-lig over 10-fold cross validation, achieving a Pearson's correlation of 0.82 on release 2007 and 0.86 on release 2013. The performance in blind tests for these the 2007 and 2013 releases was 0.75 and 0.80, respectively.

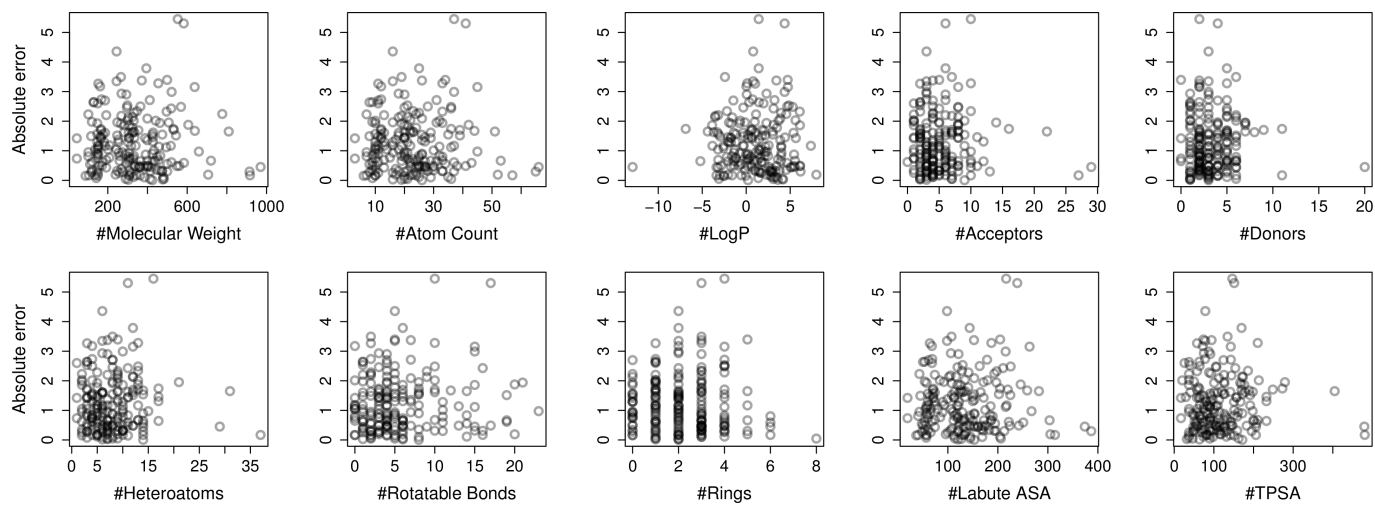


Figure 5: Regression plot between absolute errors of predictions and small-molecule properties on the PDBbind 2007 blind test. No significant correlation has been identified.

## 2 Tables

Table 1: List of molecular properties of the small molecule included in the CSM-Lig signatures. Properties were calculated with the Python RDKit library.

| Property                          | Numerical type |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| Molecular weight                  | Real           |
| Heavy atoms                       | Integer        |
| LogP [1]                          | Real           |
| #Acceptors                        | Integer        |
| #Donors                           | Integer        |
| #Heteroatoms                      | Integer        |
| #Rotatable bonds                  | Integer        |
| #Rings                            | Integer        |
| Labute’s Approximate Surface Area | Real           |
| Topological Polar Surface Area    | Real           |

Table 2: List of methods used in comparative experiments.

| Method/Scoring Function  | Reference |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| RF-Score::Elem-v2        | [2]       |
| RF-Score::Elem-v1        | [3]       |
| X-Score::HMScore         | [4]       |
| DrugScore <sup>CSD</sup> | [5]       |
| SYBYK::ChemScore         | [6]       |
| DS::PLP1                 | [7]       |
| GOLD::ASP                | [8]       |
| SYBYL::G-Score           | [9]       |
| DS::LUDI3                | [10]      |
| DS::LigScore2            | [11]      |
| GlideScore-XP            | [12]      |
| DS::PMF                  | [13]      |
| GOLD::ChemScore          | [14]      |
| SYBYL::D-Score           | [9]       |
| IMP::RankScore           | [15]      |
| DS::Jain                 | [16]      |
| GOLD::GoldScore          | [17]      |
| SYBYL::PMF-Score         | [9]       |
| SYBYL::F-Score           | [9]       |

### 3 CSM-lig Approach

CSM-lig is an efficient machine learning approach for assessing and comparing protein-small molecule affinities from solved structures. The method calculates structural features using the CSM algorithm [18] (called signatures) that together with experimental data are used as evidence to train and test predictive models.

A series of graph-based signatures can be achieved by modelling proteins/small molecule recognition as atomic graphs. The CSM algorithm will then extract distance patterns between its components as described in Algorithm 1.

**Algorithm 1** Cutoff Scanning Matrix (CSM) calculation

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1: function CSMlig(LigandSet, AtomClass, DMIN, DMAX, DSTEP)
2:   for all Ligand i ∈ (LigandSet) do
3:     LigandPocket = extractLigandPocket(Ligand)
4:     j = 0
5:     distMatrixInter ← calculateAtomicPairwiseDistInter(LigandPocket)
6:     for dist ← DMIN; to DMAX; step DSTEP do
7:       for all Class ∈ (AtomClass) do
8:         CSMlig[i][j] ← getFrequency(distMatrixInter, dist, class)
9:         j ++
10:    distMatrixIntra ← calculateAtomicPairwiseDistIntra(LigandPocket)
11:    for dist ← DMIN; to DMAX; step DSTEP do
12:      for all Class ∈ (AtomClass) do
13:        CSMlig[i][j] ← getFrequency(distMatrixIntra, dist, class)
14:        j ++
15:    addLigandProperties(CSMlig[i])
16:  return CSMlig
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end

The Algorithm receives a set of protein-ligand complexes, a set of atom classes and distance cutoffs (minimum, maximum and a cutoff step). The ligand pockets are extracted and a cumulative distribution of atoms within each distance (based on the cutoff parameters) is calculated per atom class. The distances are calculated separately in two components: intra-pocket distances, which aim to model pocket geometry and physicochemical properties and inter-complex distances, which aim to account for protein-ligand interactions. After this process, a set of ligand properties (Table 1 of Supplementary Material) are calculated and appended to the signatures.

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