

# Benchmarking of GPCR AlphaFold models

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AlphaFold is a computational technique designed for predicting three-dimensional (3D) protein structures from their respective protein sequences [1]. Although AlphaFold has demonstrated remarkable accuracy near to experimental results in predicting the 3D structure of monomeric proteins, it typically represents a singular conformational state with minimal structural diversity [2].

However, in the context of G protein-coupled receptors (GPCRs), our focus lies in capturing an active state to discover how extracellular interactions translate into downstream cellular responses. One strategy to bias predictions towards a desired conformational state involves modulating GPCRs in conjunction with G-proteins. Consequently, in our work comparative analysis between the structures of monomeric and multimeric complexes has been conducted to evaluate the accuracy of AlphaFold models generated through various methods.

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