

Analysis of Three-Dimensional Protein Structure of CBAVD in Indonesia as a Basis for Immunotherapy to Ensure Maternal Health

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ABSTRACT

Introduction: Congenital Bilateral Advance Vass Deferens (CBAVD) is a birth defect characterized by azoospermia. Determine the protein structure by laboratory research was relatively difficult. The three-dimensional structure of proteins is computationally analyzed as an excellent and cost-effective alternative to analyzing protein characteristics. **Objective:** This study has an objective to identify the three-dimensional protein structure of CBAVD in Indonesia so that it can be used to obtain drugs and immunotherapy. **Method:** This study uses method of DNA extraction, PCR, and sequencing in collecting the data sample. The data was analyzed using using expasy software and Swiss prot. **Result:** The results of this study were found 6 CBAVD proteins, four to three dimensional CBAVD protein structures and 2 CBAVD proteins that have not been identified by the three dimensional protein structure. Further studies of CBAVD protein are needed, especially those related to protein isolation and crystallography. **Conclusion:** The three dimensional protein can be used as immunotherapy to ensure the maternal health. **Key words:** CBAVD, Dimensional structure, Maternal health, Protein.

INTRODUCTION

Birth defects (congenital defects or congenital conditions) are disorders that appear at birth and can cause physical or mental disability or death. Birth defects can generally be detected in the prenatal period. However, if this is not detected in the prenatal period, it can be seen from the post-natal examination. However, there are also birth defects that are not detected until childhood and even into adulthood. Congenital Bilateral Advance Vass Deferens (CBAVD) is a birth defect characterized by azoospermia. The incidence of CBAVD is indeed very small, around 2-10%. However, if it is not handled, it will lead to problems, especially the integrity of a household. Infertility characterized by azoospermia can be corrected through surgical and non-surgical procedures. However, surgery still requires experience and further research. In addition, there are many birth defects that cannot be treated or die at an early age ¹.

Birth defects that cause mental disorders will persist throughout life. These birth defects can have an impact on structural, functional or metabolic abnormalities ². Each year an estimated 7.9 million children worldwide (approximately 6% of all births in the world) are born with serious birth defects resulting from genetic disorders or other post-conception causes such as alcohol, rubella, syphilis, deficiency Development of research on CBAVD at the international level has been started since 1968, with the discovery of an American man who died due to an enlarged abscess in the scrotum and the formation of cystic fibrosis that has metastasized various organs, mainly: pancreas, lungs, liver, which allegedly died in connection with immunodeficiency ³.

Knowledge and understanding of protein structure was very important because it can

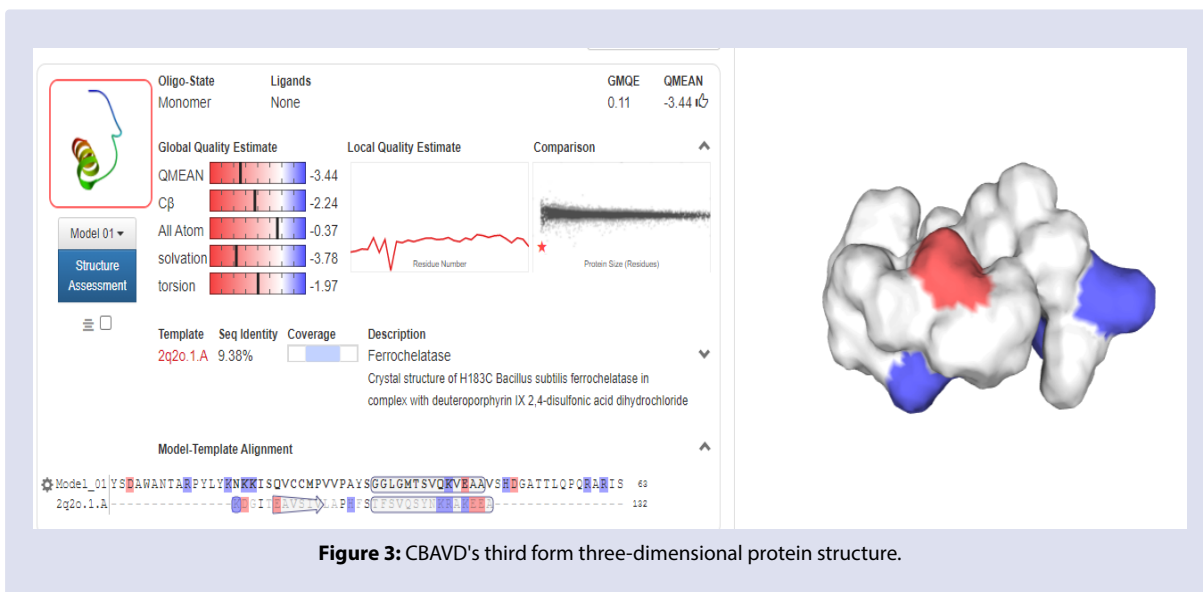
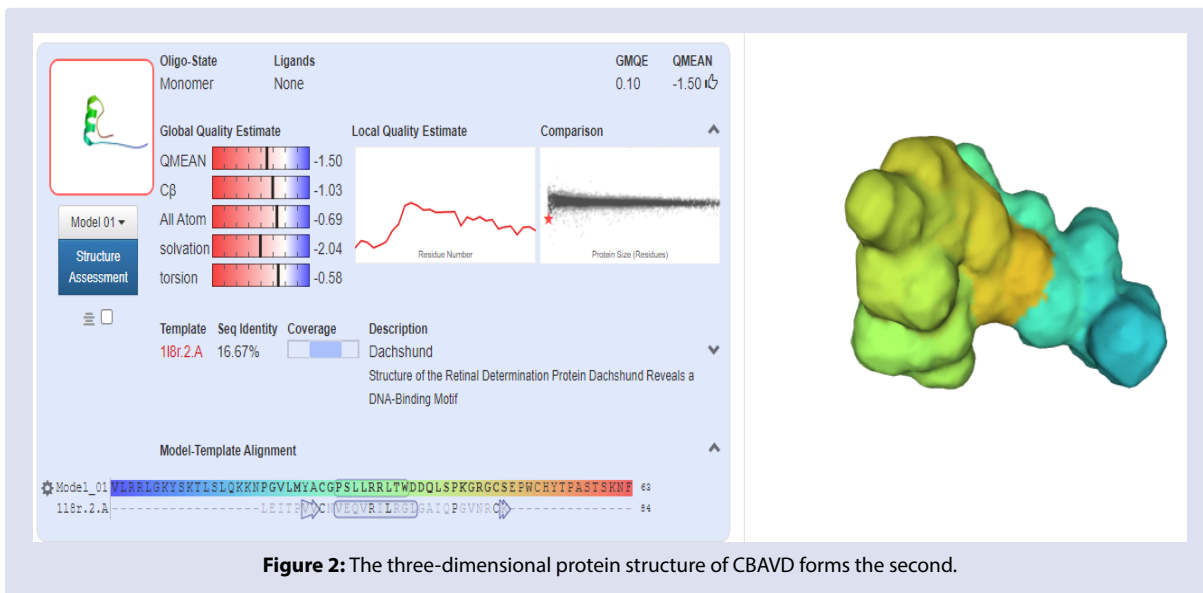
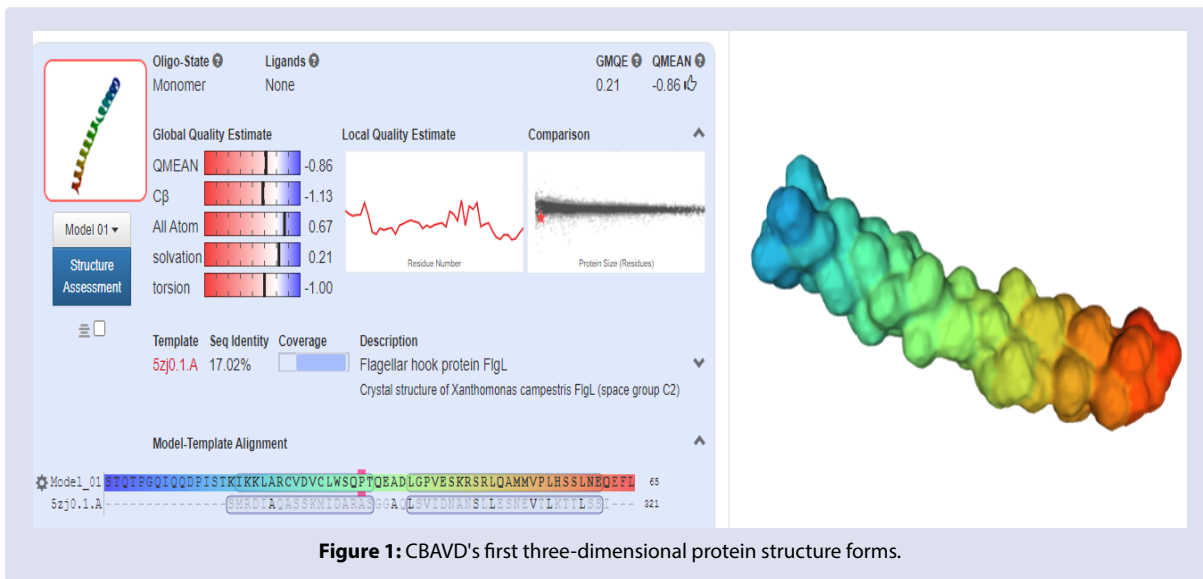
provide important information in understanding the biochemical properties and functions of these proteins at the molecular level in detail. Determine the protein structure on the laboratory research was relatively difficult because it requires sophisticated instrumentation, long research time and requires a large amount of money ⁴. The three-dimensional structure of proteins is computationally analyzed as an excellent and cost-effective alternative in analyzing protein characteristics. Prediction of three-dimensional structures is carried out by means of a homology approach ⁵, which is the best choice for determining the three-dimensional structure of proteins by searching for similar sequences in the database as a template. Research purpose of this study is identify the three-dimensional protein structure of CBAVD in Indonesia so that it can be used to obtain drugs and immunotherapy.

MATERIAL AND METHOD

DNA extraction

PBMC culture cells with 10³ cells in 200 µl buffer B3 (a mixture of B1 (containing Guanidine hydrochloride) and B2) were incubated for 10-15 minutes at 70° C. the next step is adding 96% ethanol with volume 210 µl and vortex it. The next step is bind DNA, the mixture is put into the column then centrifuged 11,000 g for 1 minute. Then the liquid below is removed and washed 2 times, namely the first by adding 500 µl of buffer BW (Guanidine hydrochloride and isoprotenol<25%) then centrifuged 11,000 g for 1 minute then discarded ⁶. Then for the second wash by adding 600 µl of buffer B5, centrifuged 11,000 g for 1 minute, liquid on the collecting tube was discarded, centrifuge 11,000 g for 1 minute to clean ethanol. Put in Colum to 1.5 ml eppendorf tube, add 100 µl buffer of elution that has been warmed at 70 ° C and incubated for 1 minute, then 11,000 g is centrifuged for 1 minute ⁷. The

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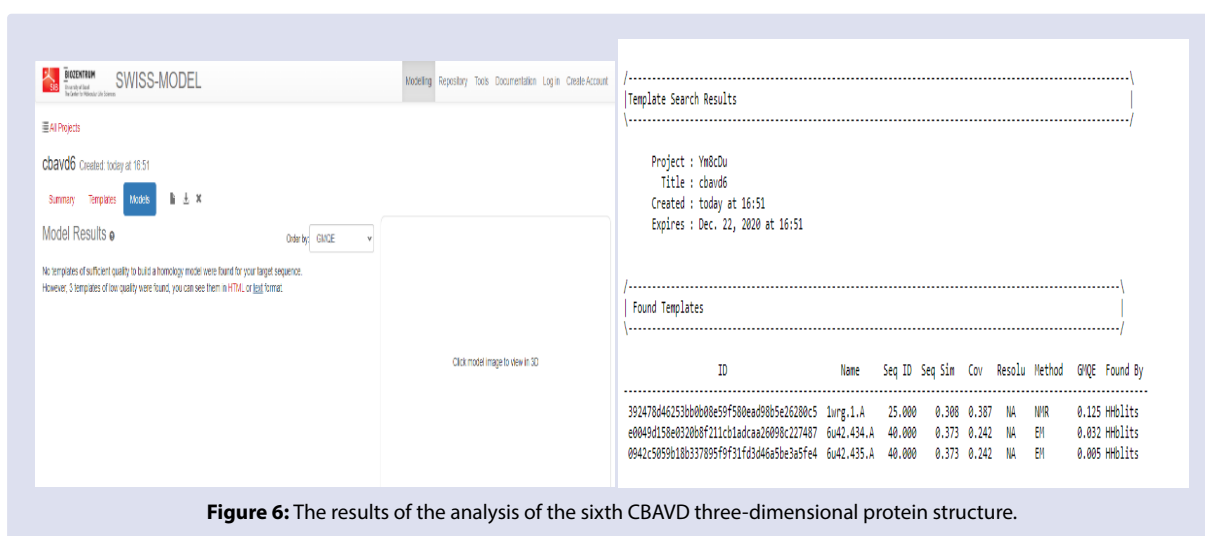
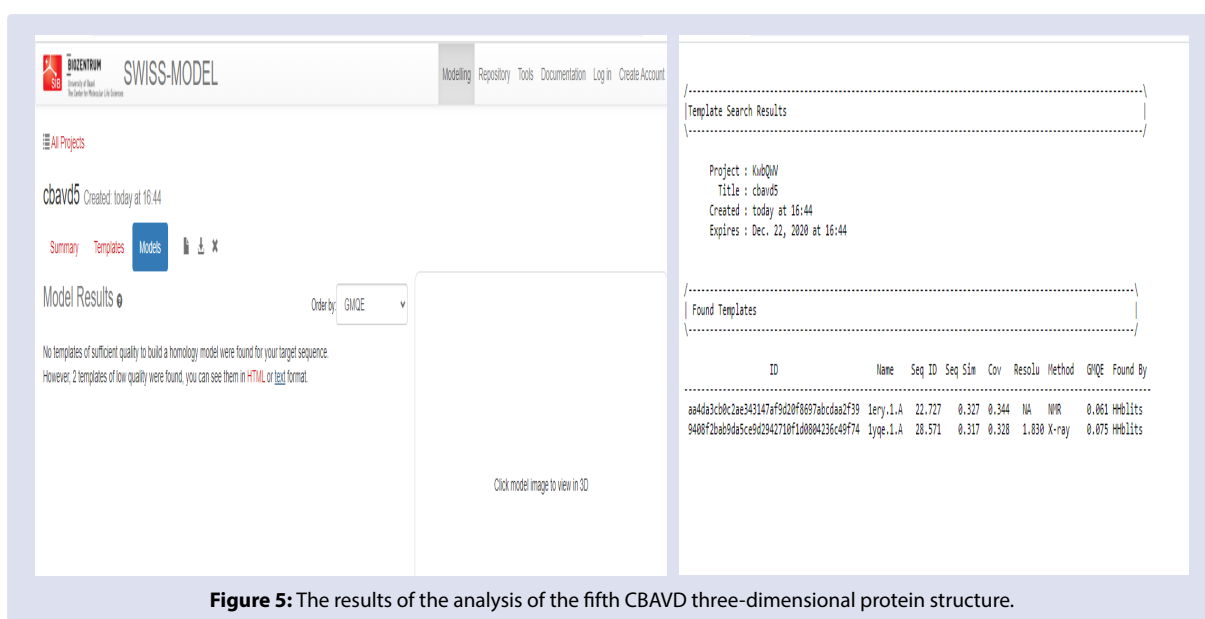
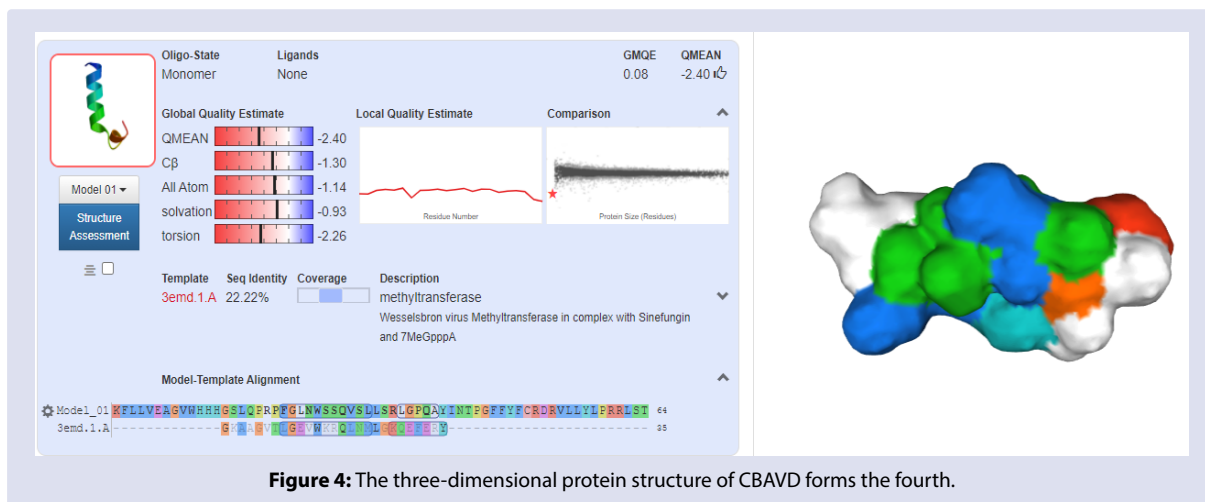


Table 1: Composition of CFRT Gene Primary Outer primers.

Primer	Primer nucleotide arrangement (Outer Primer Gene CFRT)
FORWARD	CGAGAGACCATGCAGAGGTC
RESERVE	GCTCCAAGAGAGTCATACCA

Table 2: Composition of CFRT Inner Primer Gene primers.

Primer	Primer nucleotide arrangement (Inner Primer Gene CFRT)
FORWARD	CGAGAGACCATGCAGAGGTC
RESERVE	TGTACTGCTTTGGTGACTTCCCC

Table 3: CBAVD nucleotides translated to proteins.

CBAVD nucleotides	CBAVD protein
AGTACTCAGAC- GCCTGGGCAAATACAG- CAAGACCCTATCTCTA- CAAAAATAAAAAAATTAGCCAG- GTGTGTTGATGTATGCCTGTG- GTCCCAGCCTACTCAGGAG- GCTGACTTGGGATGACCAGTT- GAGTCCAAAAGGTCGAGGCTG- CAGTGAGCCATGATGGTGCCAC- TACTACTCCAGCCTCAACGAG- CAAGAATTCTCA	STQTPGQIQDPSTKIKKLARCVD- VCLWSQPTQEADLGPVESKRSR- LQAMMVPLHSSLNEQEFL VLRRLGKYSKTLSLQKNPGVLMY- ACGPSLLRRLTWDQLSPKGRGC- SEPWCHYTPASTSKNF YSDAWANTARPLYLYKNK- KISQVCCMPVVPAYSGGLGMTS- VQKVEAAVSHDGATTLQPQRARIS KFLLEAGVWHHHSLSLQPRPFL- NWSSQVSLLSRLGPQAYINTPGFFY- FCRDRVLLYLPRLST RNSCLRLECSGTIMAHCSLDDLD- STGHPKSASVGDHRRHTSTH- LANFFIFVEIGSCCICPGVV EILARGWSVVPASWLTAASTF- WTQLVIPSQPPEAGTTGIHQHT- WLIFLRLGLAVFAQASEY

nucleotide base strands for the primer duplicated at this stage are as shown in the table below:

15 µl of PCR products added EDTA, sodium acetate and absolute ethanol, vortex and incubated at 4 ° C. The sample stored in a refrigerator at a temperature (-20 °C). The tool used is the ABI 3110 XL Capillary Sequencer⁸. The sequencing results in the form of a nucleotide sequence were translated into proteins using the ExPasy software⁹. Three-dimensional structure analysis using Swiss Prot¹⁰.

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The results showed that six types of protein were translated from CBAVD nucleotides using ExPasy Software. In addition, using the Swiss Prot software, it was found that 4 protein structures of CBAVD and 2 proteins did not have a three-dimensional protein structure. This is because the two proteins have no resemblance to the proteins in the protein database, so it requires further study of the two proteins.

Identify protein structures is faster than research in determining the structure of three-dimensional proteins, so that ideas or ideas are obtained to predict the three-dimensional structure of proteins from existing protein sequences based on known protein sequence data in the laboratory¹¹. This is based on the number of protein groups or sequences so that they have a similar structure between the two proteins and conclusions are drawn from the similarity of their sequence. This analysis technique is known as protein modeling and is one of the branches of science in the field of bioinformatics¹².

In protein modeling, there are protein structures consisting of primary, secondary, tertiary and quaternary structures. The primary structure is the simplest structure with a linear sequence of amino acids and no chain branching. The secondary structure is a two-dimensional protein

structure which is a combination of primary structures stabilized linearly by hydrogen bonds between the = CO and = NH groups along the polypeptide backbone¹³.

The tertiary structure of a protein is a protein structure on top of a secondary structure consisting of irregular bonds between R groups of various amino acids. The tertiary structure of a protein is a three-dimensional conformation that focuses on the bonds between secondary structures¹⁴. The three-dimensional structural modeling of proteins consists of the homology/comparative method, the fold recognition method and the ab initio method¹⁵.

Three-dimensional structural modeling using homology modeling is a three-dimensional protein structure modeling based on the alignment of the target protein's amino acid sequence with similar proteins whose three-dimensional structure is known protein modeling with the homology method is also faster than other methods¹⁵. The ab initio method is the most difficult and complex method compared to other methods and requires a long processing time, modeling the three-dimensional structure of proteins based on energy functions can only be used in a limited manner for relatively small proteins and the resulting accuracy is also small¹⁶.

The folding recognition modeling technique is more difficult than homology¹⁵. The principle of modeling with the fold recognition method is to compare the target sequence with the template structure in the protein database to produce a structure model with the best fold value. Therefore, among the three three-dimensional structural modeling techniques, it can be concluded that the homology modeling method is the best choice method for building three-dimensional protein structure models in silico. Homology modeling is also widely used in virtual screening, mutagenesis experimental design and studying the effects of sequence variation¹⁷.

In three-dimensional structural modeling, evaluation of the protein structure model is an important stage in modeling. The percentage value of the sequence identity between the target and template is a determinant of the quality of the model. The greater the percentage of identity values between the sequence and the target, the closer the model will be to the original¹⁸.

Based on three-dimensional structural modeling using swiss model software, CBAVD 1 to 4 proteins have the same 9% to 22 percent. There were no similarities between CBAVD 5 and CBAVD 6 proteins in the database, so that further research is needed, especially protein isolation and protein crystallography. The results of protein modeling can vary widely and are determined by the level of homology of the target template alignment, the quality of the template, the flexibility of the structure and the software used¹⁷.

QMEAN (Qualitative Model Energy Analysis) combines several assessment functions to estimate model quality. The two pseudo-energy assessments provided by QMEAN are the Raw Score and the Z-score. The raw score shows the pseudo-energy value calculated statistically from several parameters³.

The Z-score value is obtained from the experimental determination of the structure of the same size in X-ray crystallography. The smaller the pseudo-energy value in the raw score, the better, while the bigger the Z-Score the better. From the research results, it was found that the mean Q value for CBAVD protein 1, 2, 3, and 4: - 0.86; - 1.50; -3.44; - 2.40. For CBAVD 5 and CBAVD 6 proteins, the Q mean value was not obtained¹⁹.

CONCLUSION

From the results of the study, it was found that 4 three-dimensional structures of CBAVD protein and 2 CBAVD proteins had not been found so that the protein structure required further study.

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