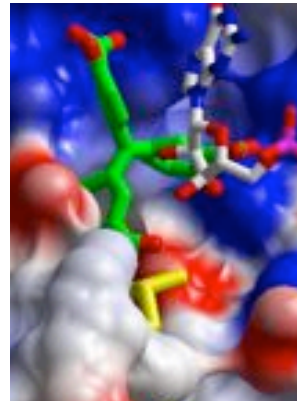
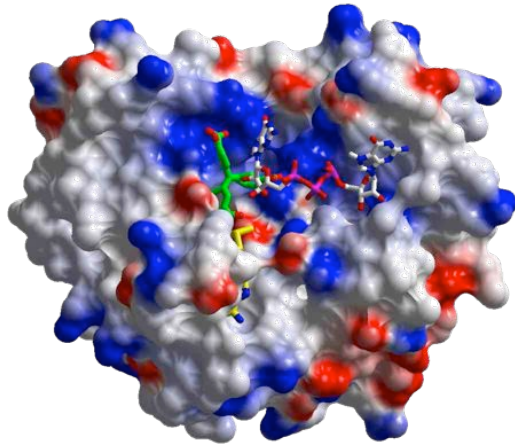


### 3. Proteine virali e ricerca razionale di farmaci antivirali

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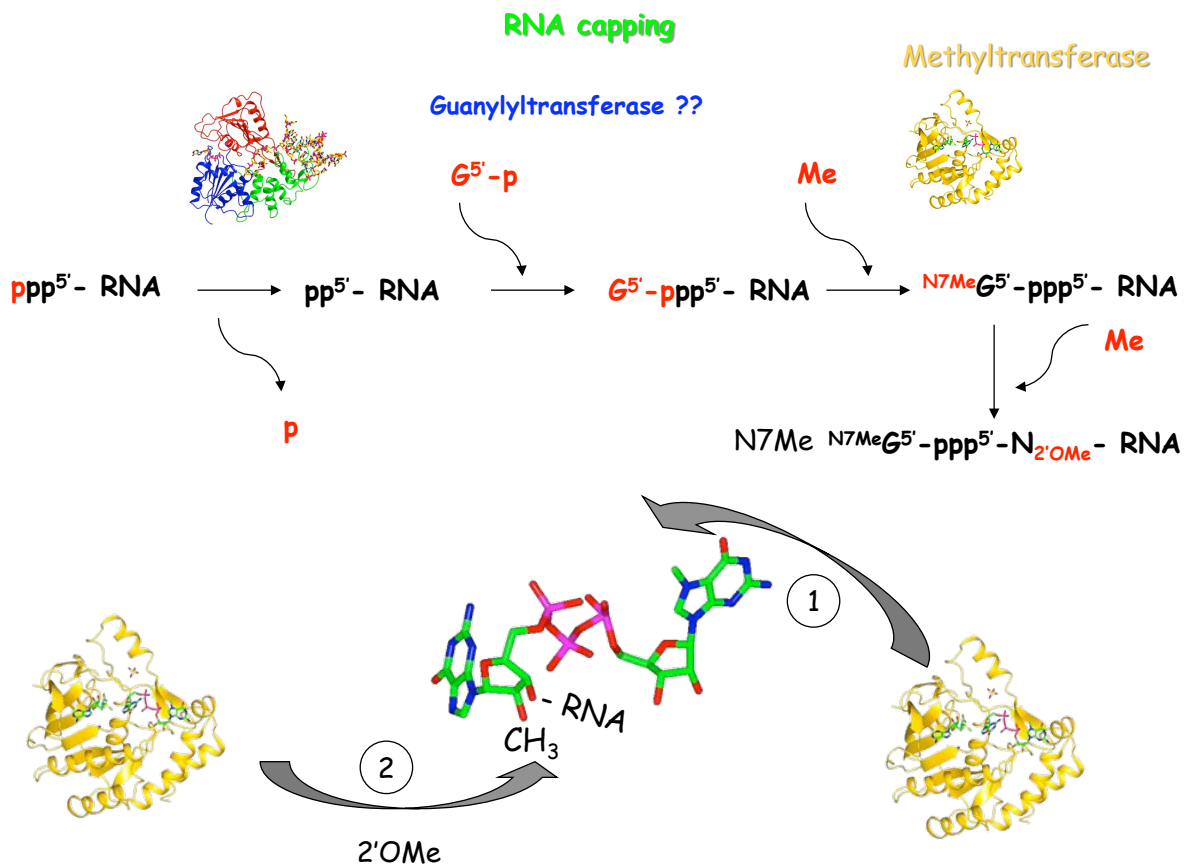
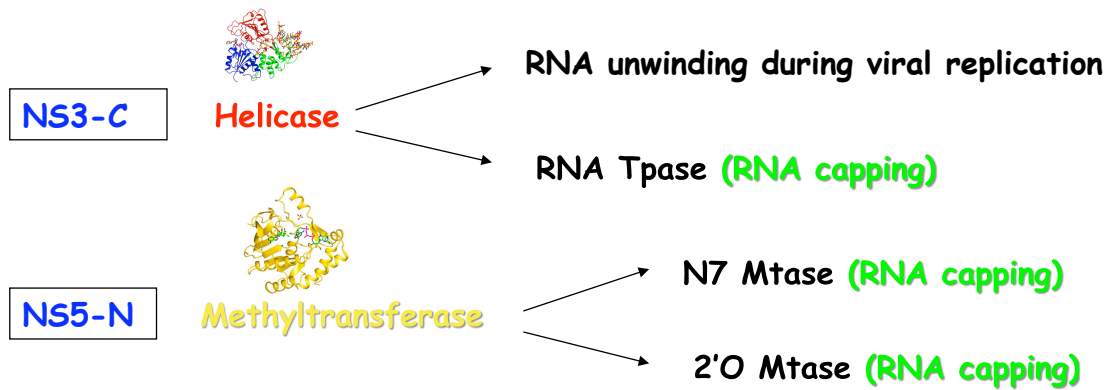


#### Proteine non strutturali (NS) e replicazione dei flavivirus

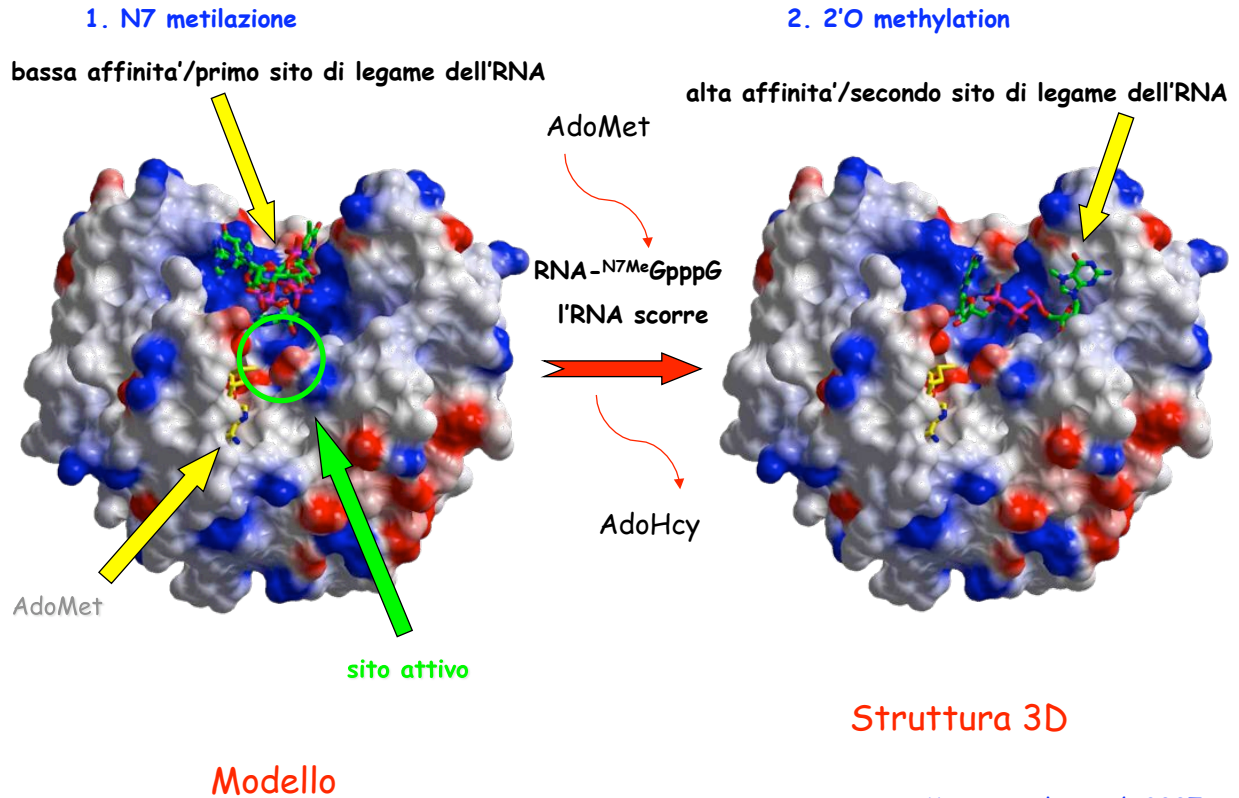
- **Traduzione:** Ribosomi umani, costruzione della poliproteina virale
- **Attivazione delle proteine virali:** Proteasi virale NS2B/NS3 (NS3 N-ter) + proteasi umane
- **Replicazione del genoma (trascrizione):** RNA polimerasi (NS5 C-ter) + elicasi (NS3 C-ter)
- **Capping dell'RNA:** NTPasi (NS3 C-ter) + guanilil trasferasi (?) + Mtasi (NS5 N-ter)
- **Costruzione e assemblaggio di nuove particelle virali:** (?)

**NS3:** 70 kDa, N-ter (1-180) Ser proteasi, C-ter (181-630) **elicasi** e RNA trifosfatasi

**NS5:** 104 kDa, N-ter **Mtasi** (1-265), C-ter (270-930) RNA polimerasi



# come funziona la MTase ?



*Mastrangelo et al., 2007*  
*Bollati et al., 2009*

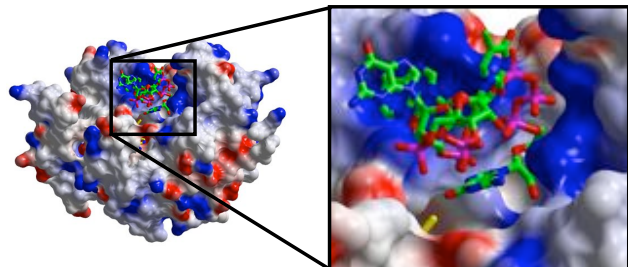
## MTase molecular dynamics simulation

Autodock4 with short capped RNA

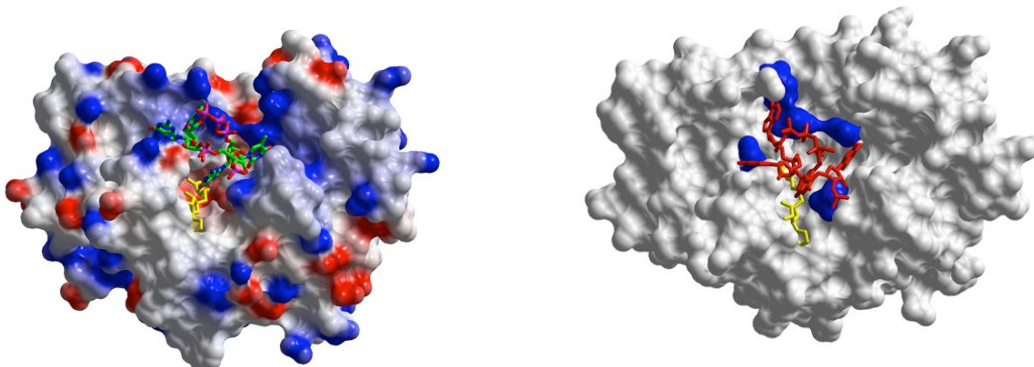
**GpppAGTp**

-11.86 kcal/mol

K<sub>i</sub> = 2.01 nM



After 9 ns of MD simulation (gromacs)



5 residues showed to be crucial for N7 MTase activity:  
Arg37, Arg57, Arg84, Glu149, and Arg213  
*Dong et al., 2008*

Protein structure-function analysis



Hypothesis on activity

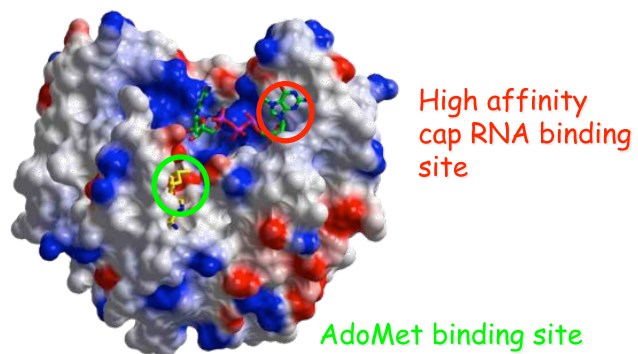


New inhibition site

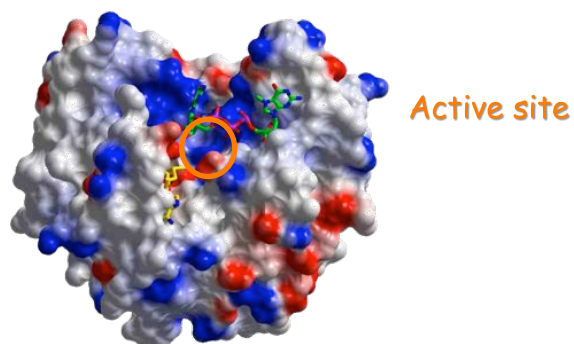


*in silico* docking search

Mtase 'classical' inhibition sites:



Mtase new inhibition site:



## Programmi utili per il docking

### Preparazione dei ligandi

**MarvinBeans** <http://www.chemaxon.com/marvin/download.html>

**babel** [http://cds.dl.ac.uk/cds/interface\\_and\\_utilities/babel.html](http://cds.dl.ac.uk/cds/interface_and_utilities/babel.html)

**banche dati** <http://www.qsarworld.com/free-databases.php>

**Prodrgr** <http://davapc1.bioch.dundee.ac.uk/programs/prodrgr/>

### Preparazione della proteina e docking

**MGLTools** <http://mgltools.scripps.edu/downloads>

**autodock4** <http://autodock.scripps.edu/downloads>

# Preparazione della proteina: **amminoacidi fissi**

Proteina: formato **.pdb** + eventuali ligandi (i.e. FAD, AdoMet)

↓  
**pmv** (parte di **MGLTools**): aggiunta degli idrogeni e delle cariche

formato **.pdbqt**, +H e cariche

si costruisce una griglia intorno alla zona che interessa

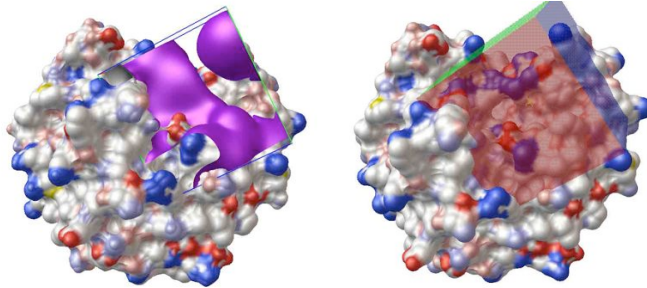
**gpf** = grid parameter file

```
npts 54 54 54 # num.grid points in xyz
gridfld bir2.maps.fld # grid_data_file
spacing 0.375 # spacing(A)
receptor_types A C H HD N OA SA # receptor atom types
ligand_types A C HD N NA OA SA # ligand atom types
receptor bir2_rigid.pdbqt # macromolecule
gridcenter 32.779 33.786 53.122 # xyz-coordinates or auto
```

**autogrid4**

**autogrid4 -p ./bir2.gpf -l ./bir2.glg &**

isosuperficie energia di e



## preparazione dei ligandi

Ligandi: formato **.sdf** in 2D

```
1.6250 -1.8792 0.0000 N 0 3 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
9.4417 -3.7417 0.0000 N 0 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
4.3917 -4.8875 0.0000 C 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
1.8292 -3.1167 0.0000 C 0 0 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
2.4667 -2.5500 0.0000 C 0 0 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
5.1042 -4.4667 0.0000 C 0 0 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
...
```

(Pymol)

↓  
**molconvert**

**/Applications/ChemAxon/MarvinBeans/bin/molconvert -vv -3 sdf LO3300.sdf -o Lo3D.sdf**

**.sdf** in 3D

↓  
**babel** (convert.csh)

```
#!/bin/csh -f
set n = 1
echo $n
while ( $n < 1268 )
babel -isdf Lo3D.sdf -f "$n" -l "$n" -opdb pdb/di"$n".pdb
@ n = $n + 1
end
```

**.pdb**

↓  
**prepare\_ligand4.py**  
 (prepare\_ligand.csh)

```
#!/bin/csh -f
foreach f (`ls ../pdb/*.pdb`)
echo $f
./prepare_ligand4.py -A bonds_hydrogens -l $f -o "$f"qt
end
```

↓  
**.pdbqt**, ligando + H e carica, e torsioni

# Docking

```
autodock4 -p bir2.dpf -l bir2.dlg &
```

dpf = docking parameter file

```
...
ligand_types A C HD N NA OA           # atoms types in ligand
fld bir2.maps.fld                       # grid_data_file
map bir2.A.map                           # atom-specific affinity map
...
move smac10.pdbqt                       # small molecule
about -21.5599 9.9909 48.6289           # small molecule center
...
ga_run 1                                 # do this many hybrid GA-LS runs
```

## semiempirical free energy force field

variazione di energia nel ligando

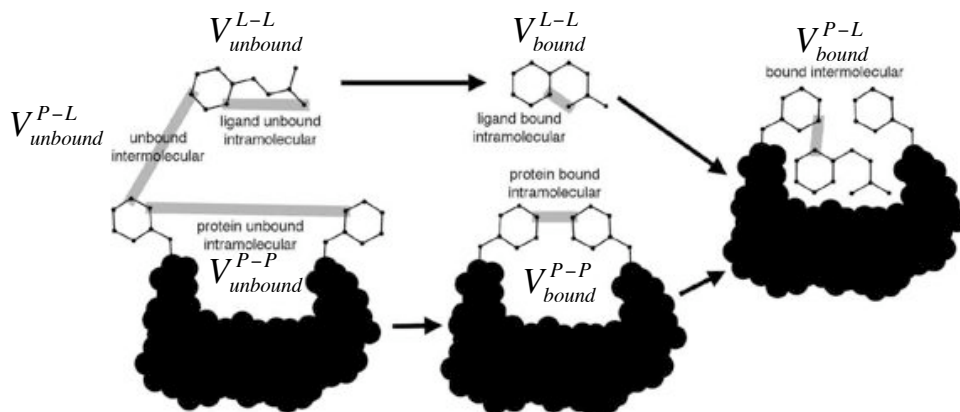
variazione di energia nell'interazione

variazione di energia nella proteina

$$\Delta G = (V_{bound}^{L-L} - V_{unbound}^{L-L}) + (V_{bound}^{P-P} - V_{unbound}^{P-P}) + (V_{bound}^{P-L} - V_{unbound}^{P-L} + \Delta S_{conf})$$

variazione di energia libera del sistema proteina-ligando

entropia conformazionale perduta nel legame



Huey J., et al., *Comput Chem.* 2007, 28, 1145-52.



$$\Delta G = (V_{bound}^{L-L} - V_{unbound}^{L-L}) + (V_{bound}^{P-P} - V_{unbound}^{P-P}) + (V_{bound}^{P-L} - V_{unbound}^{P-L}) + \Delta S_{conf}$$

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se la proteina non si muove proteina e ligando non interagiscono nello stato non legato

$\Delta S_{conf} = W_{conf} N_{tors}$

cost. empiriche che pesano i vari termini

$$V = W_{vdw} \sum_{i,j} \left( \frac{A_{i,j}}{r_{i,j}^{12}} - \frac{B_{i,j}}{r_{i,j}^6} \right) + W_{h-bound} \sum_{i,j} E(\vartheta) \left( \frac{C_{i,j}}{r_{i,j}^{12}} - \frac{D_{i,j}}{r_{i,j}^{10}} \right) +$$

$$W_{elec} \sum_{i,j} \left( \frac{q_i q_j}{\epsilon(r_{i,j}) r_{i,j}} \right) + W_{sol} \sum_{i,j} (S_i V_j + S_j V_i) \exp\left(-\frac{r_{i,j}^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

cost. dielettrica dip. dalla dist.
parametro di solvatazione dell'atomo j

Volume degli atomi intorno a i
int. regolata dalla dist. ij

Amber force field
angolo del legame idrogeno

### termine di desolvatazione:

stima della quantita' di solvatazione

$$W_{sol} \sum_{i,j} (S_i V_j + S_j V_i) \exp\left(-\frac{r_{i,j}^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

energia richiesta a trasferire un atomo da uno stato completamente idratato a uno completamente protetto

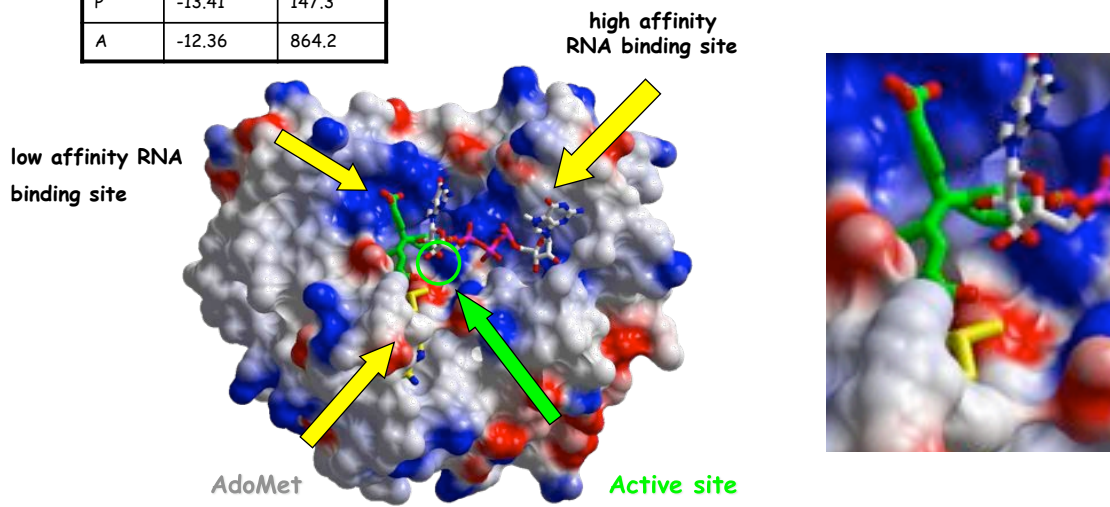
parametri fittati dal confronto con dati sperimentali

$$S_i = (A_i + B_i |q_i|)$$

## MTase inhibition

### MTase docking

Name	Energy (kcal/mol)	Ki (pM)
N	-16.16	1.4
P	-13.41	147.3
A	-12.36	864.2



ATA is a non-specific enzyme inhibitor (Bina-Stein & Tritton 1975)

A recent patent claims that ATA is an inhibitor against SARS coronavirus (He *et al.*, 2004; Yap *et al.*, 2005)

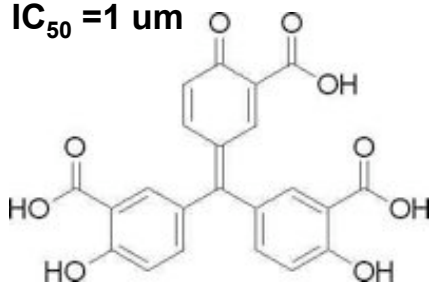
Milani *et al.*, 2009

## Inibitore Mtasi

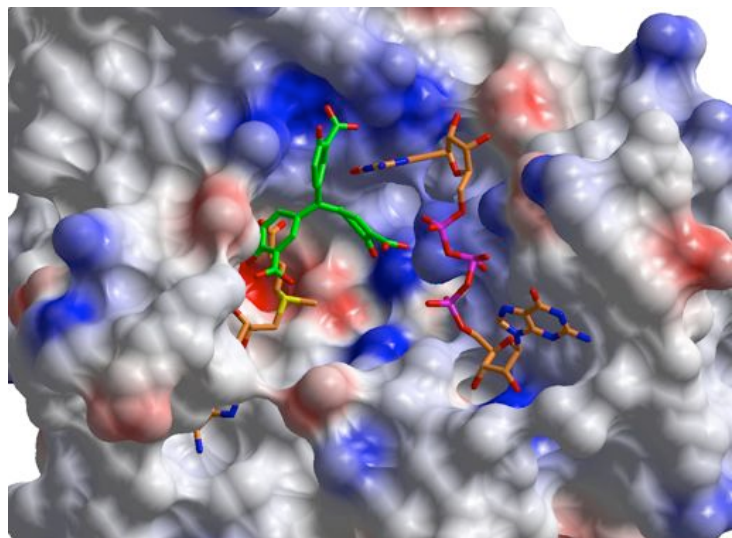
### Use of brain or high-throughput ?

da 1600 mol.

$IC_{50} = 1 \mu\text{m}$



### Aurintricarboxylic acid

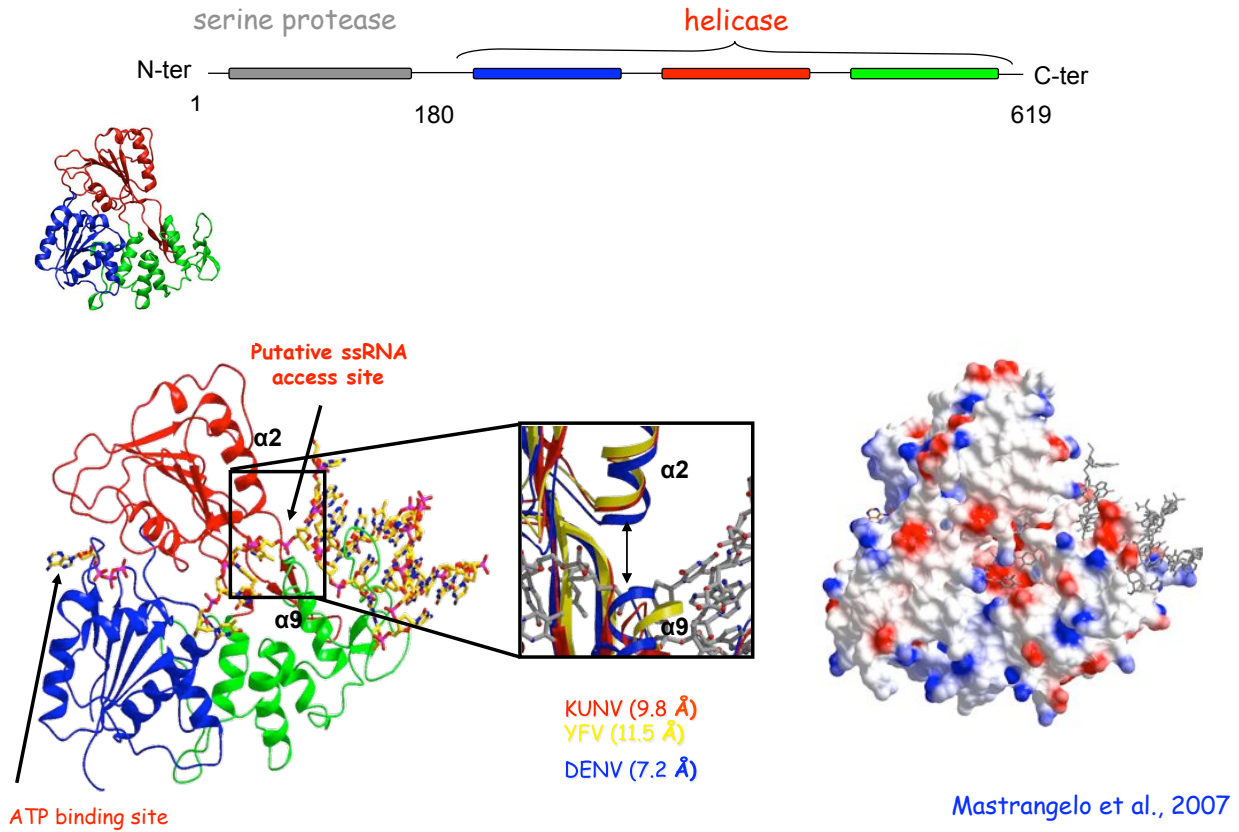


Luzhkov *et al.*, 2007

Partendo da **2.1 M** di molecole  
 $IC_{50} = 60 \mu\text{m}$

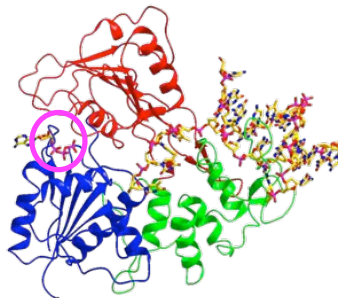


# NS3 elicasi



Hel 'classical' inhibition:

ATP binding site



Putative ssRNA access



Protein structure-function analysis

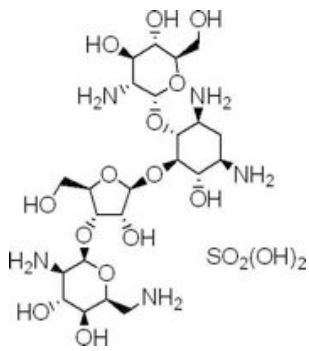
Hypothesis on activity

New inhibition site

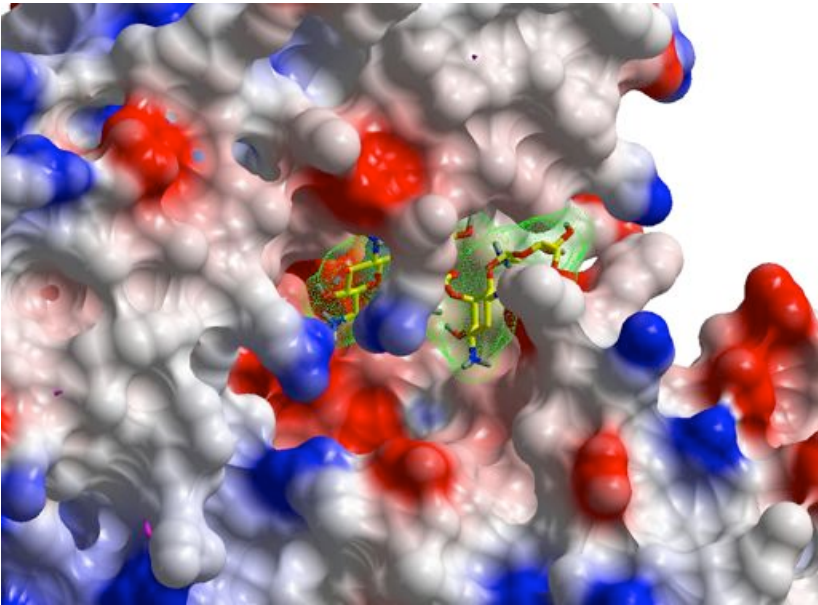
*in silico* docking search

New inhibitors + validation of the proposed protein function mechanism

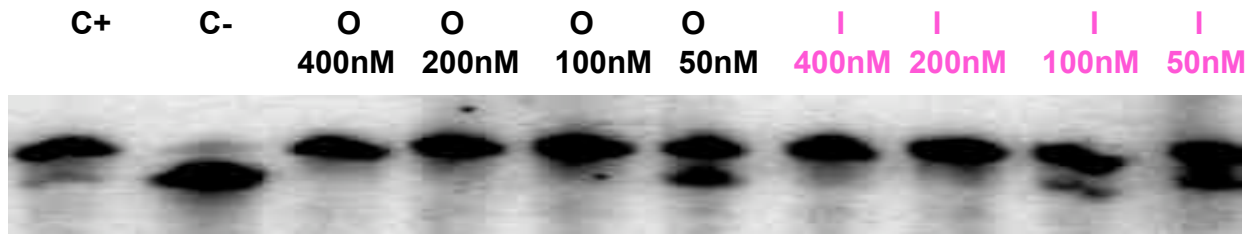
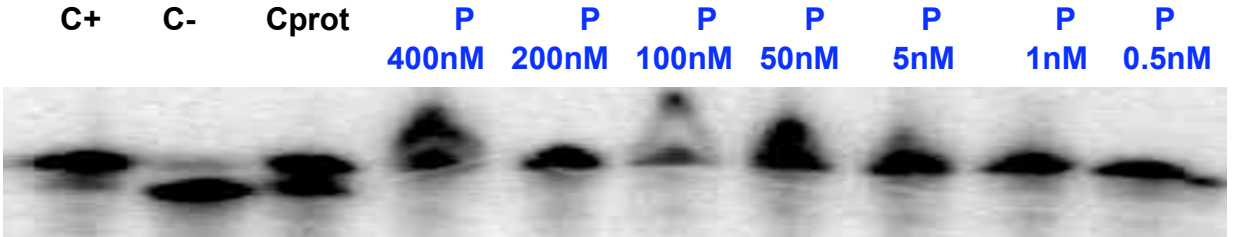
**inibitori helicase**



**Paromomycin sulfate**



**Kokobera virus helicase inhibition assay  
Proteina 200 nM**



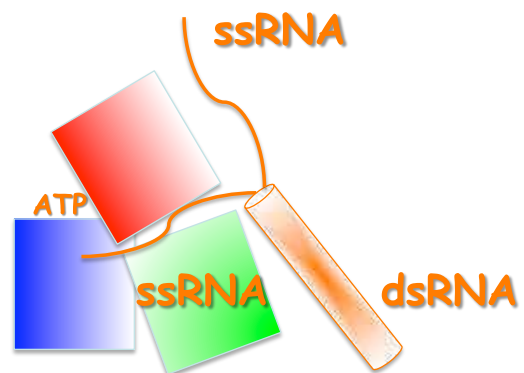
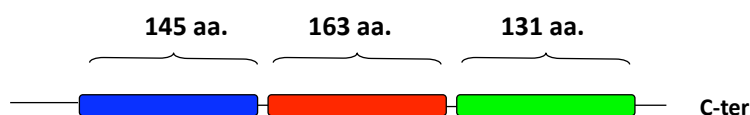
## SOMMARIO

1. avere aspettative ragionevoli: **dati sperimentali** complementari sono essenziali !
2. avere aspettative ragionevoli: il docking fornisce dei **modelli**, non e' la realtà !

i **modelli**, dipendono dalle **assunzioni teoriche** che si fanno per descrivere l'attività della proteina

3. usare più la testa dell' **high-throughput** !

## Flavivirus Helicase

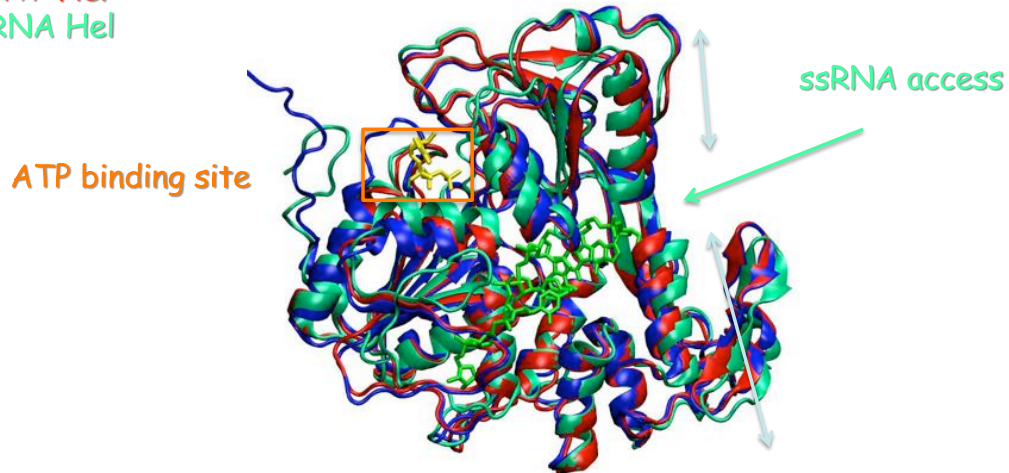


Crystal structures did not answer to the main questions:

Helicase is a motor protein: how does it work?

How ATP hydrolysis is related to protein motion?

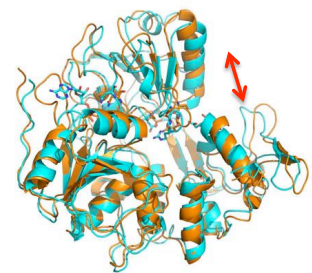
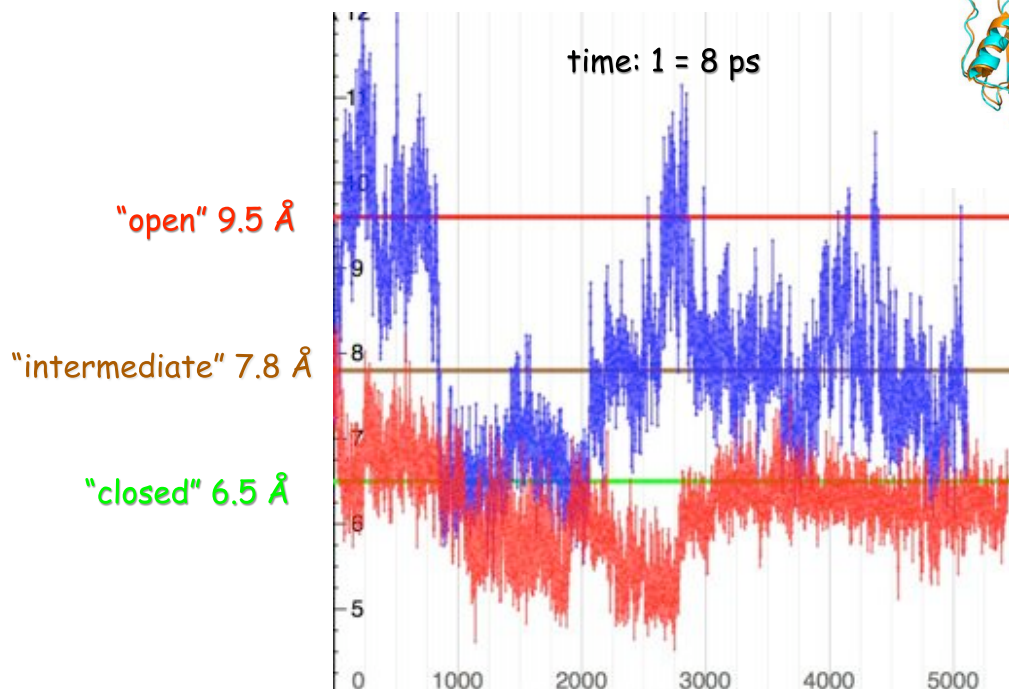
apo Hel  
ATP Hel  
RNA Hel



$\alpha$  helices distance: ssRNA access site

apo Hel 40.9 ns: open 20%, intermediate 54%, closed 24%

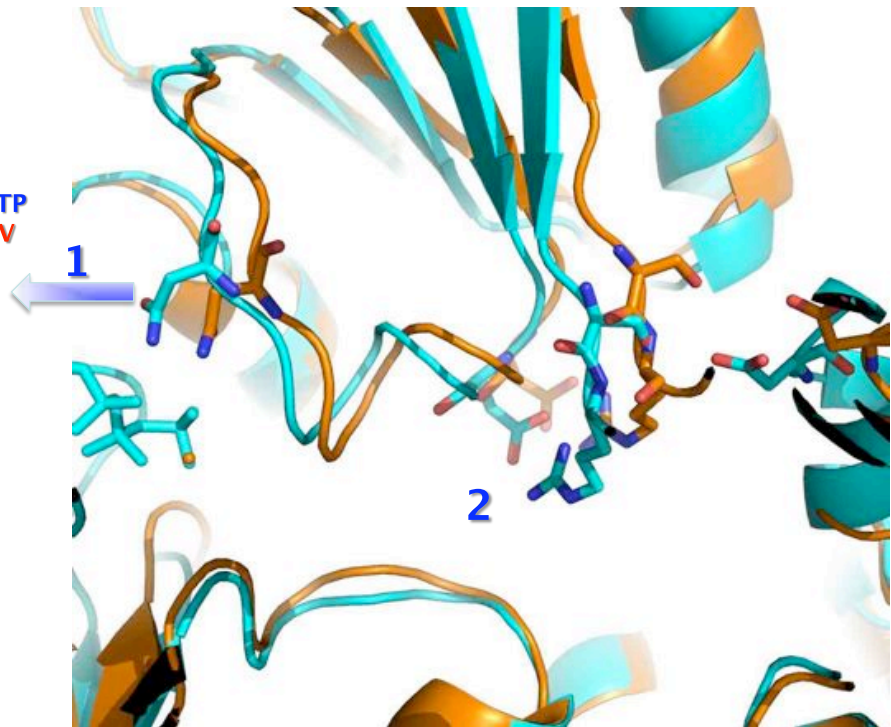
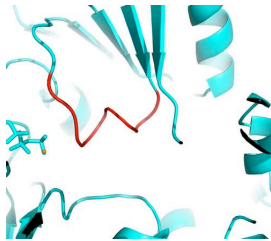
ATP Hel 43.5 ns: closed 100%





## why does ATP induce a closed state ?

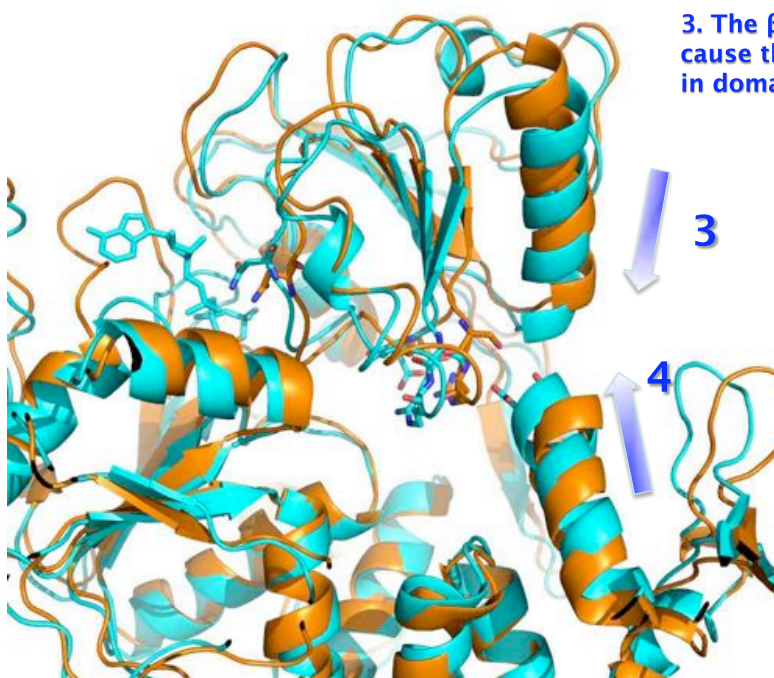
1. Asn416 interacts with ATP shifting **conserved motive V**



2. The shift is transmitted by salt bridge between Asp409 and Arg387 and amplified by the  $\beta$  sheet of domain 2

## why does ATP induce a closed state ?

3. The  $\beta$  sheet translation cause the closure of helix in domain 2



4. Interaction between Ser386 and Asp603 induces the closure of helix in domain 3

## how ATP hydrolysis is related to RNA unwinding?

