

## IN SILICO STRUCTURE PREDICTION OF GLOSSINA MORSITANS MORSITANS ODORANT BINDING PROTEINS

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### Abstract

*Glossina morsitans morsitans* is the primary vector for trypanosome parasite which is causative agent for sleeping sickness in human and nagana in animals, conditions that are prevalence in sub Saharan Africa. In this study functional annotation and structure prediction of *G. M. morsitans* odorant binding proteins was done by BLAST searches against NCBI and PDB databases respectively. Multiple sequence alignment was performed by clustalW while genetic relatedness of *G. m. morsitans* with mosquitoes (*Anopheles gambiae*, *Aedes aegypti* and *Culex quinquefasciatus*) and fruit fly (*Drosophila melanogaster*) was determined based on PHYML. The 3D-structure prediction was determined and viewed using Swiss model and Swiss-Pdb Viewer program respectively. The GmmOBP9 had the highest percentage identity of 77.9% and e-value of 1.42e-10 with DroOBP83b as its ortholog. GmmOBP10 recorded the highest percentage identity among the mosquitoes studied having 60.23%, 57.65% and 62.35% for *Anopheles*, *Aedes* and *Culex* respectively. The lowest percentage identity of 27.4% and e-value of 0.04 was recorded for DroOBP56i by GmmOBP17 while GmmOBP3 recorded the lowest percentage identity among the mosquitoes (*Anopheles* and *Aedes*) with 19.50% and 24.06% respectively. The Gmm-OBPs had amino acid sequence length ranging from 88 to 240 with GmmOBP7 being the longest (240 aa with MW of 28.3kda and pl 5.78). GmmOBP20 had the lowest MW of 10.3 kda. The GmmOBPs had a theoretical pl range of 4.41 to 9.30. Multiple sequence alignment revealed the six conserved cysteine while phylogenetic studies indicate that GmmOBPs are closely related to *Drosophila* OBPs. Structural prediction of the GmmOBPs showed presence of between four to six helices with multiple alignments with respective templates confirming the location of the conserved six cysteines. This study predicts the three dimensional structure of *G. m. morsitans* OBPs and open avenues for functional studies as they form potential targets for control of tsetse vectors.

**Key words:** *Glossina*, olfaction, odorant binding protein

### 1.0 Introduction

Tsetse flies (*Glossina*) are primary vectors of trypanosome parasites which cause Human African Trypanosomiasis (HAT), also known as sleeping sickness (Brun *et al.*, 2010) and Animal African Trypanosomiasis (AAT), also known as nagana (Batista *et al.*, 2009). The genus *Glossina*, contains about 30 living taxa, 22 species and 8 subspecies which are grouped according to the habitat they occupy namely *Morsitans*, *Palpalis* and *Fusca*. *Morsitans* are the Savannah flies and examples include *Glossina morsitans morsitans* (vectors of HAT), *G. pallidipes* and *G. austeni* (vectors of AAT) (Welburn *et al.*, 2001). *Palpalis* are the riverine tsetse flies inhabiting land masses near water bodies and examples include *G. fuscipes fuscipes*, *G. palpalis gambiensis* and *G. tachinoides* (vectors of HAT) (Bouyer *et al.*, 2005). The forest flies are the *Fusca* group and some examples include *G. fusca fusca* (vector of nagana) (Leak *et al.*, 1991), *G. tabaniformis* and *G. longipennis* which are not considered as important vectors of Trypanosomiasis (Makumi *et al.*, 2000).

The trypanosome parasite is transmitted through bite from infected *Glossina* to the animal host. It multiplies at the site of the bite, followed by entry to the lymphatic system and the blood stream, through which they reach other tissues and organs including central nervous system. In the animal the parasite is covered by a dense monolayer of identical glycoproteins which protect it from lysis by the host immune cells (Borst and Fairlamb, 1998). Thus, the parasite is able to evade the mammalian host humoral immune response and proliferate until new surface antigen coat is recognized by a new generation antibodies of immunoglobulin (Vanhamme *et al.*, 2001). The blood stream forms of the parasite transform into procyclic trypomastigotes in the fly's midgut and multiply by binary fission. Finally, the trypomastigotes leave the midgut and develop into epimastigotes before migrating to the fly's salivary glands accompanied by continued reproduction by binary fission (Tyler *et al.*, 2001). The cycle then repeats itself when the infected tsetse fly bites another host. Examples of trypanosomes transmitted by *Glossina* species includes *Trypanosome brucei* transmitted by *G. morsitans*, *Trypanosoma rhodesiense* transmitted by *G. pallidipes* and *G. fuscipes quanzensis* (Welburn *et al.*, 2001).

Trypanosomiasis (HAT and AAT) are prevalent in Sub-Saharan Africa affecting both human beings and livestock. The consequences are that AAT has a negative impact on human nutrition and livelihood in terms of losses in milk production, hides, meat, blood and treatment costs (FAO, 1993). In human beings, HAT account for losses that can be manifested in form of bad health, death and loss of man hours. World Health Organization (WHO) estimate that about 66 million people are exposed to the risk of contracting HAT while about 45 million cattle are at risk of being infected by AAT. Economic losses are estimated to the tune of US\$ 4.75 billion and US\$ 1.2 billion per year in both agricultural and cattle productions respectively (WHO, 2000). This makes control of HAT and AAT vectors to be a research priority, a task taken by African Heads of State and Governments in attempt to eradicate tsetse flies from the African Continent leading to establishment of Pan African Tsetse and Trypanosomiasis Eradication Campaign (Kabayo, 2002).

Olfaction plays a critical role in tsetse flies in identification of hosts, breeding mates and larviposition. This role is mediated by olfactory proteins which include odorant binding proteins (OBPs), pheromone binding proteins (PBPs), Chemosensory proteins (CSPs) and Odorant receptors (Ors) and are localized in the tsetse fly antennae (Pelosi, 1996). It is postulated that odors from external environment get in through antennal pores and are picked by soluble olfactory proteins (OBPs, PBPs, CSPs), then transported through the sensillum lymph to the Ors located within olfactory receptor neurons (ORNs). Transduction of the odor message through axons to antennal lobe and higher brain centers lead to processing and decoding of the odor information (Rutzler and Zwiebel, 2005). With the sequencing of *Glossina morsitans morsitans* genome and identification of OBPs (Liu *et al.*, 2011), detailed study on molecular structure and functional expression of OBPs is important as they play a key and initial role in the peri-receptor events thus are potential targets in the genetic manipulation of the tsetse fly. This study propose to examine the genetic relatedness of *G. m. morsitans* OBPs with other identified insects OBPs.

## **2.0 Materials and Methods**

### **2.1 Bioinformatics and Sequence Retrieval**

The 33 sequences of *G. m morsitans* OBPs were retrieved from NCBI database ([www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/entrez/viewer.fcgi](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/entrez/viewer.fcgi)) by general search query using Entrez and opened in FASTA format. The FASTA sequences were saved with both gene name and accession numbers. Functional annotation was done by blast search against *D. melanogaster* genome (version FB2012\_06) and mosquitos' genomes (*An. gambiae*, *Ae. aegypti* and *Cu. quinquefasciatus*) (Vb-2012-12) using Blastp (Altschul *et al.*, 1990). Results that produced the highest percentage similarity with low E score (<0.0) were taken to be orthologs. The 33 Gmm-OBPs were analyzed for molecular weight (MW) and isoelectric point (pI) using protpharm tool at Expasy (<http://www.expasy.ch/tools/protparam>) with default parameters. Multiple sequence alignment of *G. m morsitans* OBPs with selected orthologs from blast results was carried out using clustalW, the sequences were loaded, complete alignment carried out. (Larkin *et al.*, 2007).

### **2.2 Phylogenetic Analysis**

Genetic relatedness of *G. m. morsitans* with mosquitoes (*An. gambiae*, *Ae. aegypti* and *Cu. quinquefasciatus*) and fruit fly (*Drosophila melanogaster*) was determined based on PHYML. Evolutionary track was inferred using the neighbor- joining method (Saitou and Ni, 1987).

### **2.3 Prediction of 3D Structure**

The 3D structure of the 33 *G. m morsitans* OBPs were predicted using Swiss-Model at Expasy hosted by Swiss PDB (<http://www.swissmodel.expasy.org>). The OBP sequences were used to interrogate Protein Data Bank (PDB) to ensure that the 3-dimensional structure of the OBP sequences were not available in PDB (<http://www.rcsb.org/orgpdb/home/home.do>). The protein sequences of *G. m morsitans* OBPs obtained from NCBI were edited and uploaded into Swiss model workspace. The program first identifies homologous proteins with known 3D structures using PSI-BLAST. The identified homologous sequences form the template that is aligned with the target sequence (*G. m morsitans* OBPs). The alignment extract geometrical restraints (dihedral angles and distances) for corresponding atoms between query and template sequences, performs 3D construction of the protein by using a distance geometry approach and finally predict the structure (Combet *et al.*, 2001) which was opened and viewed with SPDB Viewer (<http://www.spdbv.vital-it.ch>). The Swiss-Model followed the flowchart in figure 1. The generated models and amino acid sequence alignments of target and template proteins were displayed using Swiss-Pdb Viewer programme "Deep-View" (Guex *et al.*, 1997).

### 3.0 Results

#### 3.1 Functional Analysis of GMM-OBPS

A total of 33 OBPs from *G. m. morsitans* were retrieved from GenBank database. The GmmOBP9 had the highest percentage identity of 77.9% and e-value of 1.42e-10 with DroOBP83b. Likewise GmmOBP10 recorded the highest percentage identity among the mosquitoes studied having 60.23%, 57.65% and 62.35% for *Anopheles*, *Aedes* and *Culex* respectively (Table 1). The lowest percentage identity of 27.4% and e-value of 0.04 was recorded in DroOBP56i by GmmOBP17; on the other hand GmmOBP3 recorded the lowest percentage identity among the mosquitoes (*Anopheles* and *Aedes*) with 19.50% and 24.06% respectively. GmmOBP3 never recorded any hit with *Culex* while GmmOBP4 recorded the lowest percentage identity of 20.17% and e-value of 5e-07 with CulexOBP28 (Table 1).

The Gmm-OBPs had amino acid sequence length ranging from 88 to 240 with GmmOBP7 being the longest having 240 aa with MW of 28316.4 and pI 5.78. The shortest Gmm-OBP was GmmOBP16 while GmmOBP20 had the lowest MW of 10.3 kDa. Both GmmOBP 18 and GmmOBP19 had the same length of aa and pI while GmmOBP8 and GmmOBP9 had similar MW and pI but same length (Table 2).

#### 3.2 Multiple Sequence Alignment

Multiple sequence alignment of GmmOBPs with the *Drosophila* and mosquito orthologs revealed that OBP sequence are quite diverse and only conserved at certain residues (Figure 2). The OBPs had six conserved cysteine residues.

#### 3.3 Phylogenetic Analysis of G.M.MORSITANS OBPS

Phylogenetic relationship revealed that GmmOBPs (GmmOBP3, GmmOBP22 and GmmOBP11) were closely related to *Drosophila* orthologs than the mosquitoes with percentage similarity of 94% (Figure 3). The exceptions were GmmOBP9 and GmmOBP10 that clustered with AngamOBP2 with percentage relatedness of 91%, DmelOBP99c was noted to have clustered with CqiOBP99a and AeayOBP99c with percentage relatedness of 72%. Another recording reveals that GmmOBP15 clustered with AeayOBP56a with percentage similarity of 63.

#### 3.4 In silico Structure Prediction

The 31 GmmOBPs out of the 33 GmmOBPs were modeled. Modelling of GmmOBPs was based on varied protein templates with exception of some that were modeled based on the shared template. The templates were from protein data bank. GmmOBP29 and GmmOBP30, was never modeled. GmmOBP9 and GmmOBP12 was modeled based on 2erb which had the highest percentage (67.21%). The GmmOBP14, 10, 8A, 12, 26 and 28 models had percentage similarity between 45.61%-67.21% while the rest of GmmOBPs had percentage similarity as low as 20%. GmmOBP3, GmmOBP8A, GmmOBP21, GmmOBP25, GmmOBP19 and GmmOBP21 3D structure was modeled based on 3n7h template with GmmOBP8 having the highest percentage of 55.2% among the group, while 314a template was a platform for GmmOBP1, GmmOBP2, GmmOBP5, and GmmOBP22 3D structure (PDB: 314 chain A). GmmOBP13, GmmOBP14, GmmOBP16 was modeled based on 3v2l template (PDB: 3v2l chain A), 2Wcj [PDB: 2wcj Chain: A] template was used to modeled GmmOBP6 and GmmOBP10 (Zhou et al., 2009) while 30gn [PDB: 3ogn Chain: A] template was used as a template for GmmOBP10 (62.35%) (Mao et al., 2010). (Table 3)

### 4.0 Discussion and Conclusion

*G.m.morsitans* OBPs molecular structure and their functional expression is important as they play an important role in insect olfaction by mediating interactions between odorants and odorant receptors. They are crucial in feeding, mating and oviposition of the insects.

In the present study, Functional annotation of sequences from *G.m.morsitans* OBPs were analysed with reference to mosquitoes and fruitfly was done by blast search against *D. melanogaster* genome (version FB2012\_06) and mosquitoes' genomes (*An. gambiae*, *Ae. aegypti* and *Cu. quinquefasciatus*) (Vb-2012-12) using Blastp. Multiple sequence alignment through Clustal W of these insects sequences indicated 6 conserved cysteine a characteristic of odorant binding proteins. The alignment done between the GmmOBPs and the template used to predict the 3D-structure revealed these conserved cysteine. The conserved cysteine in position one in all templates (3v2La, 2erb, 10ohA, 30gn, 3n7h and 3r1vA) except 2wcj were not completely aligned while the conserved cysteine in position

six in the alignment between the sequences and all the templates sequences except the sequence of 3v2IA were completely aligned. The cysteines contain sulfide play a role in the folding of the protein in 3-Dimension structure via sulfide bond.

OBPs (OBP14, OBP13, OBP4 and OBP16) were modeled based on *Anopheles gambiae* OBP20 (PDB: 3V2L chain A) this supported the fact modeling of the structure was based on the structure whose orthologue had highest percentage similarity with low E score (<0.0).

GmmOBP10 recorded the highest percentage identity among the mosquitoes studied having 60.23%, 57.65% and 62.35% for *Anopheles*, *Aedes* and *Culex* respectively. Mosquitoes being blood feeders it can be inferred that GmmOBP10 could have a role blood feeding whereas the GmmOBP9 had the highest percentage identity of 77.9% and e-value of 1.42e-10 with DroOBP83b, *Drosophila melanogaster* requires this OBP to sense the fruit in the environment, the GmmOBP9 could also play a role in sensing of the presence of food.

The protopharm analysis of GmmOBPs shows GmmOBP 4, OBP5, OBP14, OBP15 had a theoretical Isoelectric point between 8.20-9.30 this could translated to the fact that these OBPs work best in alkaline environment, GmmOBP1 was unique among the 22 GmmOBPs since it had a neutral pH of 7.50 indicating a working efficiency in a neutral environment while the remaining GmmOBPs recorded a pH of (4.41-6.27) indicating acidic working environment, hence it can be clearly deduced that majority of GmmOBPs work best in alkaline environment.

Phylogenetic analysis revealed that GmmOBPs were closely related to *Drosophila* orthologs than the mosquitoes these supported the facts on the ground where tsetsefly cluster together with fruitfly a situation that can be attributed to the facts that the 2 insects are closely related.

The conserved cysteines were present in the alignment of the sequences between the templates and the GmmOBPs that confirmed a characteristic of odorant binding, as they contain sulfide stabilizing disulfide bond in the 3-D structure. Hence like other proteins the odorant binding proteins have 3-D structure. The phylogenetic tree indicated the relationship between GmmOBPs and *D. melanogaster* genome (version FB2012\_06) and mosquitoes genomes (*An. gambiae*, *Ae. aegypti* and *Cu. quinquefasciatus*) shows that the insects had a common ancestor.

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<b><i>G. morsitans</i></b> <b>OBP</b>	<b>Accession</b> <b>Number</b>	<b>Best match to <i>D. melanogaster</i></b> <b>(Identities, E-value)</b>	<b>Best match to <i>An. Gambiae</i></b> <b>(Identities, E-value)</b>	<b>Best match to <i>Ae. aegypti</i></b> <b>(Identities, E-value)</b>	<b>Best match to <i>C. quinquefasciatus</i></b> <b>(Identities, E-value)</b>
OBP1	CBA11305.1	OBP44a (FBpp00087892) (62.1%, 9.39e-46)	OBP9 (AGAP000278) (48.91%, 5e-33)	OBP99c (AAEL005772) (44.12%, 1e-31)	OBP99a (CPIJO17326) (48.53%, 1e-34)
OBP2A	CBA11306.1	OBP99b (FBpp0305400) (53.4%, 5.89e-39)	OBP9 (AGAP000278) (44.35%, 4e-35)	OBP99c (AAEL005772) (38.16%, 4e-26)	OBP99c (CPIJO17326) (39.47%, 4e-26)
OBP3	CBA11307.1	OBP83ef (FBpp78233) 42.6%, 1.59e-51	OBP32 (AGAP000638) (19.50%, 0.019)	OBP56e (AAEL002587) (24.06%, 0.015)	No hit.
OBP4	CBA11308.1	OBP56e (FBpp0085634) (34.8%, 6.65e-12)	OBP18 (AGAP012319) (32.63%, 2e-08)	OBP56e (AAEL002591) (25.27%, 3e-06)	OBP28(CPIJO12716) (24.17%, 5e-07)
OBP5A	CBA11309.1	OBP19c (FBpp0077018) (32%, 1.27e-18)	OBP10 (AGAP001189) (26.03%, 0.54)	OBP5 (AAEL002652) (40%, 0.60)	OBP56e (CPIJO18957) (25.27%, 0.13)
OBP6	CBA11310.1	OBP28a (FBpp0079083) (44.6%, 4.76e-28)	OBP14 (AGAP002905) (30.14%, 8e-08)	OBP56e (AAEL000035) (24.11%, 1e-05)	Novel protein (CPIJO16966) (29.23%, 9e-05)
OBP7	CBA11311.1	OBP83cd (FBpp0078233) (42.6%, 5.14e-60)	OBP9 (AGAP000278) (25%, 0.42)	Hypothetical protein OBP99c (AAEL005772) (27.45%, 0.002)	OBP99a (CPIJO17326) (25%, 0.030)
OBP8A	CBA11312.1	OBP83a (FBpp0078305) (49%, 6.1e-37)	OBP17a (AGAP003309) (51.05%, 2e-36)	Novel protein (AAEL009449) (48.23%, 3e-35)	Conserved hypothetical protein (CPIJO07604) (48.59%, 7e-35)
OBP9	CBA11313.1	OBP83b (FBpp0078304) (77.9%, 1.42e-60)	OBP17a (AGAP003309) (58.74%, 2e-47)	OBP9 (AAEL013018) (55.94%, 8e-45)	Conserved hypothetical protein(CPIJO07604) (60%, 6e-480)
OBP10	CBA11314.1	OBP83a (FBpp0078304) (72.6%, 3.5e-33)	OBP17a (AGAP003309) (60.23%, 9e-29)	(Novel protein) (AAEL13018) (57.65%, 3e-27)	Conserved hypothetical protein (CPIJO07604) (62.35%, 7e-29)
OBP11	CBA11315.1	OBP83g (FBpp78266) (34.2%, 1.42e-15)	OBP9 (AGAP000278) (33.33%, 2e-13)	OBP99c(AAEL005772) (32.46%, 9e-13)	Obp99a (CPIJO17326) (31.58%, 9e-13)
OBP12	CBA11316.1	OBP83a (FBpp0078305) (69.4%, 4.72e-33)	OBP17a (AGAP003309) (56.82%, 4e-26)	Novel protein (AAEL13018) (56.98%, 7e-26)	Conserved hypothetical protein (CPIJO07604) (58.14%, 9e-27)

OBP13	CBA11317.1	OBP56h (FBpp0292158) (43.5%, 2.38e-21)	OBP26 (AGAP012321) (36.11%, 5e-05)	OBP56e(AAEL002606) (37.84%, 5e-06)	OBP56d (CPIJ012719) (35.62%, 3e-06)
OBP14	CBA11318.1	OBP19a (FBpp0297995) (62.6%, 2.31e-42)	OBP20 (AGAP005208) (48.76%, 4e-30)	OBP56a(AAEL012377) (43.80%, 2e-27)	OBP56a (CPIJ006551) (44.63%, 7e-27)
OBP15	CBA11319.1	OBP56d (FBpp0085673) (33%, 4.08e-10)	OBP18 (AGAP0123121) (30.77%, 1e-05)	OBP56e(AAEL002596) (31.96%, 2e-07)	OBP56e (CPIJ018957) (26.04%, 2e-06)
OBP16	CBA11320.1	OBP57c(FBpp0112012) (35.4%,6.15e-09)	OBP15 (AGAP003307) (28.14%, 0.001)	OBP56a(AAEL000071) (31.25%, 0.003)	OBP13 (CPIJ016479) (24.73%, 0.022)
OBP17	CBA11321.1	OBP56i (FBpp00855639) (27.4%, 0.04)	OBP17b (AGAP005175) (32.39%, 0.065)	OBP56e(AAEL000073) (25%, 0.014)	Conserved hypothetical protein (CPIJ801707) (27%, 0.067)
OBP18	CBA11322.1	OBP69a (FBpp0075687) (44.4%, 6.42e-12)	OBP17 (AGAP003309) (29.11%, 4e-07)	OBP18(AAEL009449) (29.11%, 1e-06)	Conserved hypothetical protein (CPIJ007604) (27.85%, 8e-07)
OBP19	CBA11323.1	OBP69a (FBpp0075687) (44.4%, 6.42e-12)	OBP17a (AGAP003309) 29.11%, 4e-07	Novel protein (AAL009449) (29%, 1e-06)	OBP19 (CPIJ007604) (27.85%, 8e-07)
OBP20	CBA11324.1	OBP99a(FFpp0084816) (44%, 0.1)	OBP7 (AGAP001556) (47.62%, 0.24)	OBP50c(AAEL114830) (27.78%, 0.084)	D7protein (CPIJ018735) (29.41%, 0.11)
OBP21	CBA11325.1	OBP99c(FBpp0084829) (58.4%, 8.56e-44)	OBP9(AGAP000278) (31.93%, 3e-10)	OBP99c(AAELL005772) (30.59%, 3e-11)	OBP99a (CPIJ017326) (32.52%,2e-13)
OBP22	CBA11326.1	OBP8a(FBpp0071242) (35%, 1.86e-13)	OBP9(AGAP000278) (24%, 2e- 04)	OBP99c(AAEL005772) (27.4%, 5e-06)	Novel protein (CPIJ010782) (28.5%, 1e-05)
OBP23	CBA11327.1	OBP48b (FBpp1081115) (53%, 1.48e-32)	HP (AGAP002556) (33.6%, 2e-19)	OBP59 (AAEL015313) (39.6%, 1e-21)	OBP 14 (CPIJ009586) (37.8%, 4e-19)



OBP24	CBA11328.1	OBP19d (FBpp0076996) (45.5%, 6.37e-24)	OBP (AGAP002905) (37%, 2e-15)	OBP57 (AAEL0000035) (28.7%, 1e-11)	OBP28 (CPIJ0016965) (31%, 1e-16)
OBP25	CBA11329.1	OBP56e (FBpp0085634) (27.2%, 0.0002)	OBP26 (AGAP012321) (32%, 3e-08)	OBP13 (AAEL002591) (21.8%, 4e-04)	OBP17 (CPIJ012716) (23.2%, 5e-06)
OBP26	CBA11330.1	OBP Lush (FBpp0290704) (46.1%, 4.76e-24)	OBP (AGAP010489) (50.4%, 1e-36)	OBP1 (AAEL006454) (50.4%, 5e-34)	OBP6 (CPIJ008793) (47.8%, 1e-17)
OBP27	CBA11331.1	OBP59a (FBpp0071781) (38.2%, 2.58e-44)	HP (AGAP012867) (34.1%, 9e-36)	CP (AAEL011416) (29%, 8e-31)	CP (CPIJ010367) (31.3%, 9e-36)
OBP28	CBA11332.1	OBP19a (FBpp0297995) (59.4%, 1.7e-44)	OBP (AGAP05208) (49.6%, 5e-37)	OBP55 (AAEL012377) (43.3%, 3e-37)	OBP11 (CPIJ006551) (44.1%, 5e-38)
OBP29	CBA11333.1	OBP56i (FBpp00855639) (23.5%, 0.57)	OBP (AGAP012325) (27.4%, 0.14)	OBP59 (AAEL015313) (27.5%, 0.26)	OBP14 (CPIJ009586) (25.8%, 0.24)
OBP30	CBA11334.1	OBP73a (FBpp0112090) (55.4%, 2.3e-52)	HP(AGAP006368) (64.7%, 5e-44)	Modifier of mdg4 (AAEL010576) (28.9%, 0.67)	Conserved hypothetical protein (CPIJ017524) (63.8%, 2e-44)
OBP2B	CBA11306.1	OBP99d (FBpp0084821) (31 %, 4.1e-15)	OBP9 (AGAP000278) 44.4%, 1e-30	OBP22 (AAEL005772) (38.16%, 4e-26)	OBP43 (CPIJ017326) (39.47%, 4e-26)
OBP5B	CBA11309.1	OBP19c (FBpp0077018) (32%,1.27e-18)	OBP10 (AGAP001189) (26.03%, 0.54)	OBP57 (AAEL002652) (40%, 0.60)	OBP14 (CPIJ018957) (25.27%, 0.13)

Table 2: Prediction of *Glossina morsitans morsitans* OBPs Molecular weight (MW) and Isoelectric point (pI)

<b><i>Glossina morsitans morsitans</i> OBPs</b>	<b>Molecular weight (kda)</b>	<b>Theoretical Isoelectric point</b>	<b>Number of Amino acids</b>
1	16312.8	7.50	141
2	17900.3	6.15	153
3	27149.1	6.27	227
4	20535.1	9.30	178
5	20819.5	8.75	184
6	16013.5	4.91	145
7	28316.4	5.78	240
8	17474.1	5.42	150
9	17411.0	5.56	150
10	10836.2	5.03	94
11	14346.1	5.47	118
12	10851.2	4.81	95
13	12818.4	4.95	113
14	14588.8	8.80	138
15	12914.9	8.20	111
16	10317.6	4.41	88
17	11820.5	5.89	102
18	12782.5	5.21	109
19	12782.5	5.21	109
20	10376.1	8.50	88
21	15921.9	5.41	137
22	15335.3	5.71	126
23	12245.5	5.45	125
24	15811	4.41	144
25	15197	6.07	134
26	12943.1	7.58	114
27	1243.1	7.58	114
28	16584.4	8.59	149
29	16209.5	5.93	138
30	25901	4.9	157
2B	17900.3	6.15	153
5B	18178.5	4.48	157
8B	30064.5	5.57	261

Table 3: Template used for modeling *Glossina morsitans morsitans* OBPs

Gmm OBPs	Template (Organism, Gene, PDB	% Similarity	E-Value
1	<i>Culex quinquefasciatus</i> ; CquiOBP1; 314a	25.46	1.70e-21
2A	<i>Culex quinquefasciatus</i> ; CquiOBP1; 314a	22.81	3.80e-23
2B	<i>Culex quinquefasciatus</i> ; CquiOBP1; 314a	22.81	4.1e-23
3	<i>Anopheles gambiae</i> ; AgamOBP1; 3n7h	18.02	1.80e-5
4	<i>Anopheles gambiae</i> ; AgamOBP20; 3v2IA	21.19	1.40e-20
5A	<i>Culex quinquefasciatus</i> ; CquiOBP1; 314a	17.12	9.20e-7
5B	<i>Anopheles gambiae</i> ; AgamOBP20; 3v2IA	19.01	3e-20
6	<i>Bombyx mori</i> ; GOBP2 ; 2wcj	24.22	1.90e-20
7	<i>Drosophila melanogaster</i> ; OBPLush ; 1ooh	18.87	5.40e-7
8A	<i>Anopheles gambiae</i> ; AgamOBP1; 3n7h	55.20	2.90e-32
8B	<i>Anopheles gambiae</i> ; AgamOBP1; 3n7h	57.5	2.1e-28
9	<i>Anopheles gambiae</i> ; AgamOBP1 ; 2erbB	67.21	1.47e-45
10	<i>Culex quinquefasciatus</i> ; CquiOBP ; 30gn	62.35	1.29e-26
11	<i>Bomb mori</i> ; GOBP2 ; 2wcj	20.91	1.80e-21
12	<i>Anopheles gambiae</i> ; AgamOBP1; 3n7h	55.56	8.00e-26
13	<i>Anopheles gambiae</i> ; AgamOBP20; 3v2IA	25	2.00e-25
14	<i>Anopheles gambiae</i> ; AgamOBP20; 3v2IA	49.17	8.80e-34
15	<i>Anopheles gambiae</i> ; AgamOBP7 ; 3r1vA	21.82	4.60e-34
16	<i>Anopheles gambiae</i> ; AgamOBP20; 3v2IA	20.88	2.80e-14
17	<i>Anopheles gambiae</i> ; AgamOBP7 ; 3r1vA	18.42	8.90e-5
18	<i>Anopheles gambiae</i> ; AgamOBP7 ; 3r1vA	25.64	1.6e-28
19	<i>Anopheles gambiae</i> ; AgamOBP1; 3n7h	18.75	7.1e-5
20	Crystal structure of AED7-Norepinephrine complex; 3dye	16.91	1.2e-7
21	<i>Anopheles gambiae</i> ; AgamOBP1; 3n7h	19.17	9.6e-26
22	<i>Culex quinquefasciatus</i> ; CquiOBP1; 314a	19.09	2.2e-23
23	<i>Drosophila melanogaster</i> ; OBPLush ; 1ooh	18.87	4e-18
24	<i>Bomb mori</i> ; Pherone Binding Protein ; 2fjy	22.13	1.1e-19
25	<i>Anopheles gambiae</i> ; AgamOBP1;	18.92	1.1e-21

	3n7h		
26	<i>Anopheles gambiae</i> ; AgamOBP 3q8i	45.61	1.7e-31
27	<i>Drosophila melanogaster</i> ; OBPLush ; 1ooh	17.28	3.10e-6

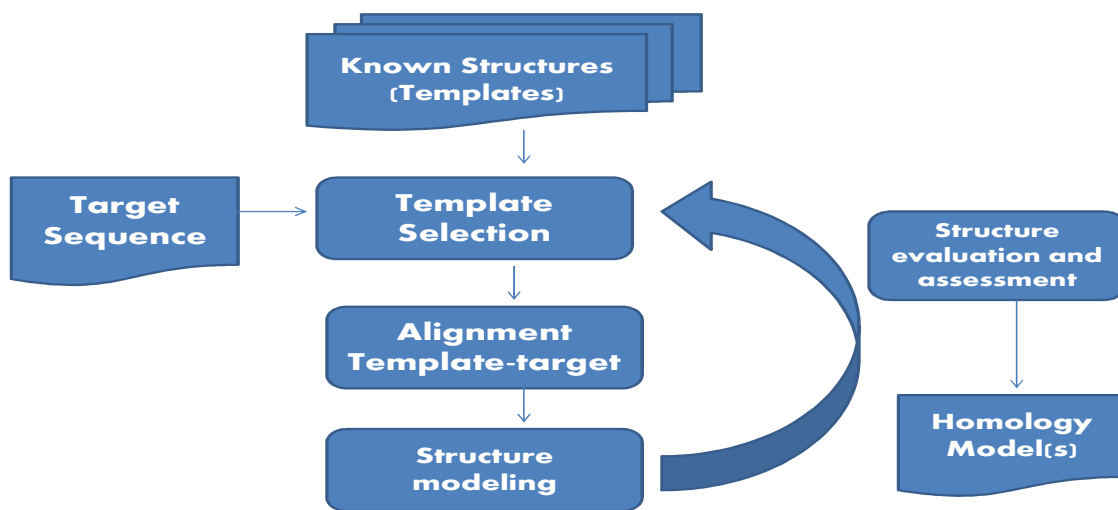


Figure 1: Flow chart of Swiss-Model (Lorenza et al., 1997)

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Figure 2: Multiple sequence alignment of GmmOBPs with the *Drosophila* and mosquito orthologs

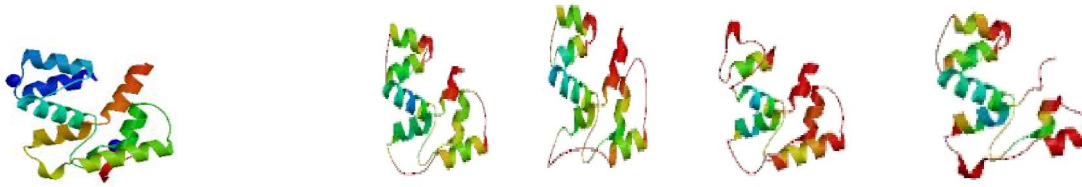
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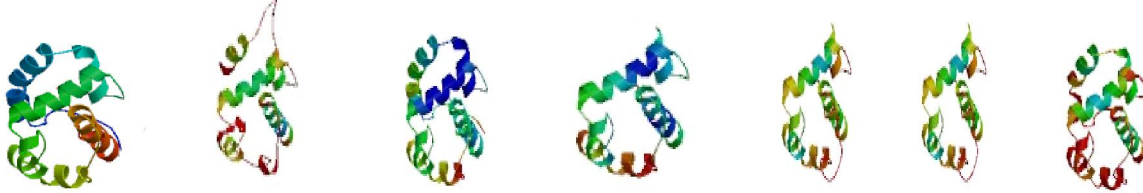
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Figure 3: Amino acid sequence of *Glossina morsitans morsitans* OBPs (OBP22, OBP2, OBP1 and OBP5) aligned with that of *Culex quinquefasciatus* CquiOBP1 (PDB: 314 chain A), used as template for the predicted three-dimensional structure

AGAM OBP1; 3n7hb GmmOBP3 GmmOBP8 GmmOBP12 GmmOBP19 GmmOBP18 GmmOBP21



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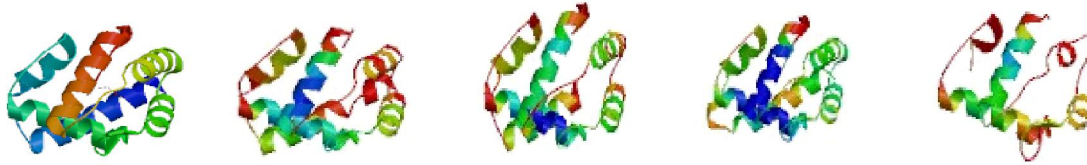
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Figure 4: Amino acid sequence of *Glossina morsitans morsitans* OBPs (OBP8, OBP12, OBP18, OBP19, OBP3 and OBP 21) aligned with that of *Anopheles gambiae* OBP1 (PDB: 3n7h chain B), used as template for the predicted three-dimensional structure

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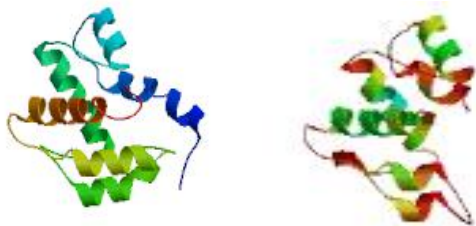
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Figure 5: Amino acid sequence of *Glossina morsitans morsitans* OBPs (OBP14, OBP13, OBP4 and OBP16) aligned with that of *Anopheles gambiae* OBP20 (PDB: 3V2L chain A), used as template for the predicted three-dimensional

Dmel OBPLush; 100hA        GmmOBP7



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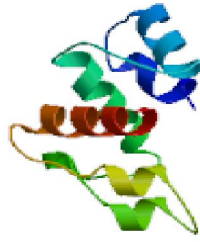
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100hA        T S -----L D M I R S G C A P K F K L K T E D L D R L R V G D F N -----F P P S Q D L M C Y T K C V S 81  
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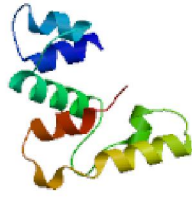
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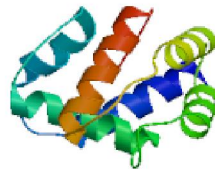
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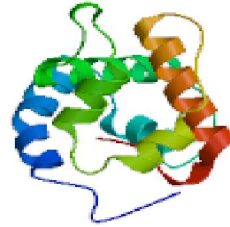
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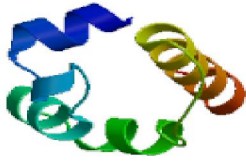
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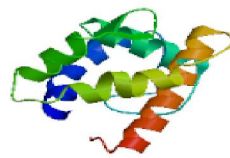
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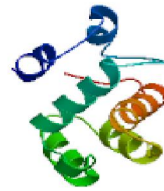
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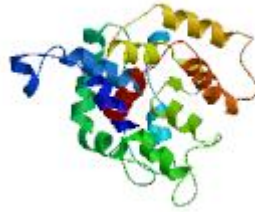
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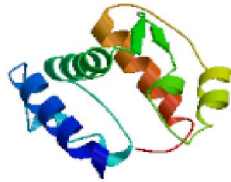
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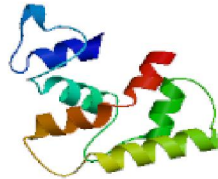
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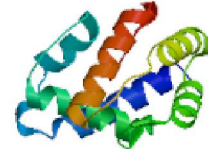
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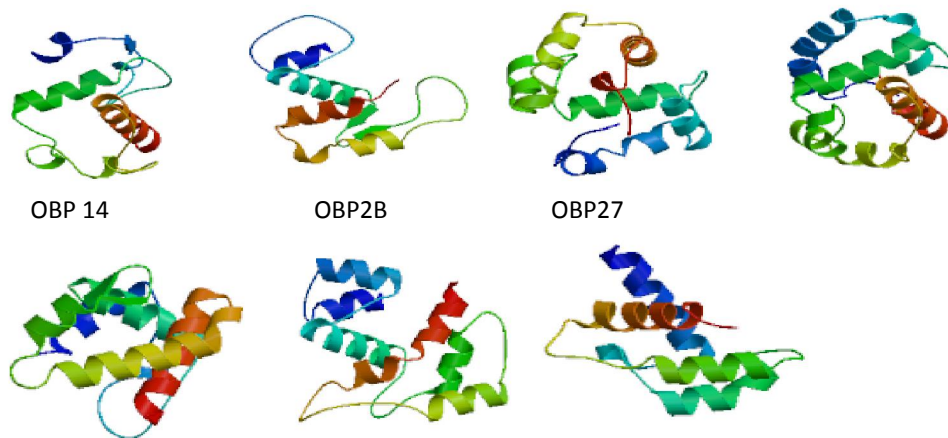


Figure 8: Predicted *Glossina morsitans morsitans* OBPs structure

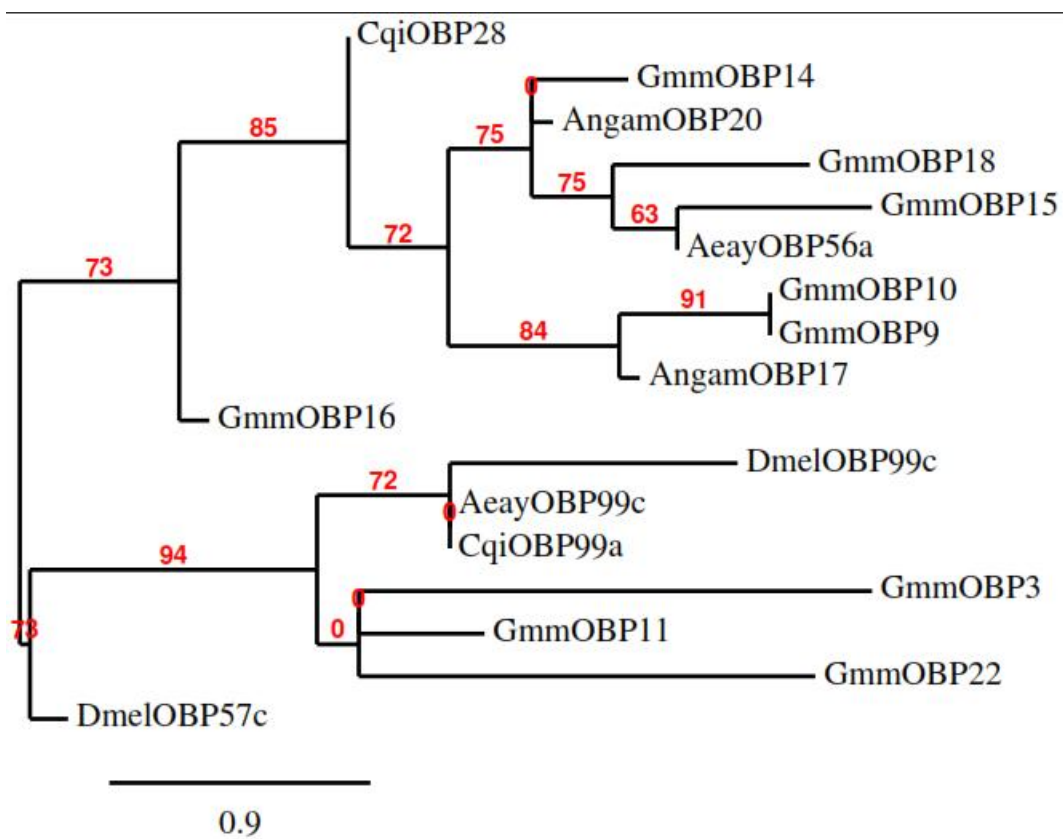


Figure 9: A dendrogram of retrieved *Gmm*OBPs sequences against mosquitoes (*An. gambiae*, *Ae. aegypti* and *Cu. quinquefasciatus*) and fruitfly (*D. melanogaster*)