

Resource Summary Report

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Resource Information

URL: <http://athina.biol.uoa.gr/CAST/>

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Description: A novel algorithm for low-complexity region detection and selective masking. The algorithm is based on multiple-pass Smith-Waterman comparison of the query sequence against twenty homopolymers with infinite gap penalties. The output of the algorithm is both the masked query sequence for further analysis, e.g. database searches, as well as the regions of low complexity.

Abbreviations: CAST

Synonyms: CAST - Compositional Bias Detection Algorithm

Resource Type: sequence analysis software, software resource, software application, data analysis software, data processing software

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Ratings and Alerts

No rating or validation information has been found for CAST.

No alerts have been found for CAST.

Data and Source Information

Source: [SciCrunch Registry](#)

Usage and Citation Metrics

We found 11 mentions in open access literature.

Listed below are recent publications. The full list is available at [SPARC SAWG](#) .

Domínguez-Romero ME, et al. (2026) Spinal cord injury induces mitochondrial dysfunction and metabolic reprogramming in non-regenerative *Xenopus laevis*. *iScience*, 29(7), 116636.

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