A standardized IMGT unique numbering has been defined for the MHC I, II and III domains of the MHC. This numbering is based on the IMGT unique numbering of the MHC proteins, and is used to provide a clear and consistent way of referring to the MHC domains. This numbering is particularly useful for comparing different MHC molecules, and for studying the evolutionary relationships between MHC molecules.

The IMGT Collier de Perles is a visual tool that allows you to see the relationships between different MHC molecules. The Collier de Perles for G-DOMAIN and IMGT pMHC contact sites is available in IMGT/3Dstructure-DB (http://imgt.cines.fr).

The Collier de Perles for G-LIKE-DOMAIN is also available in IMGT/3Dstructure-DB (http://imgt.cines.fr).

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