

Introduction to protein structure analysis and prediction

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Protein sequence analysis and prediction service

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Course organization and contents

Day 1:

The protein structure universe, resources and visualization

Day 2:

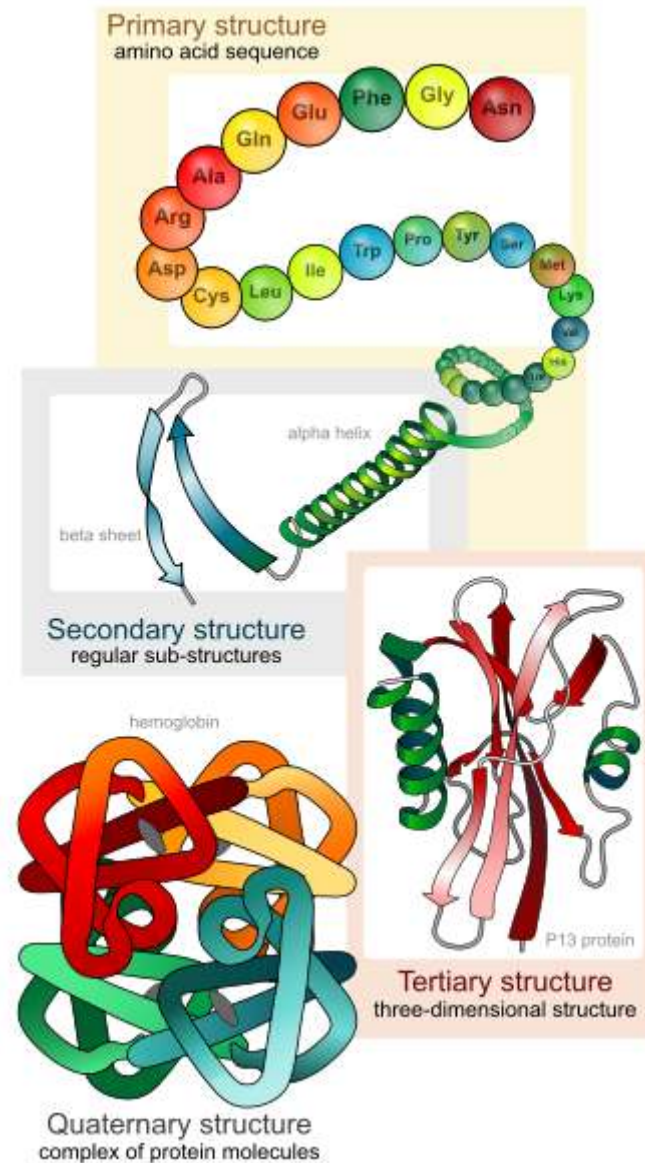
Structural alignment, classification and 1D prediction

Day 3:

3D structure prediction

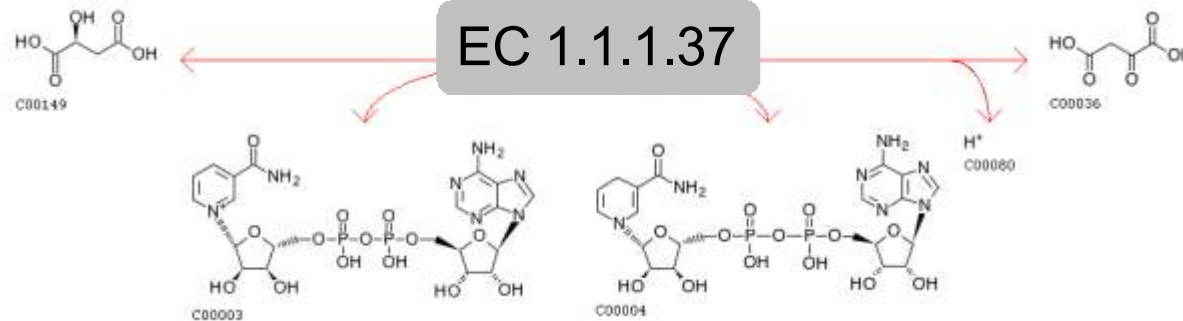
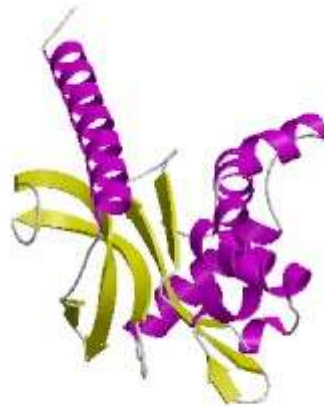
The protein universe

There are four levels of protein structure



The sequence-structure-function paradigm

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Known protein sequences

UniProt Release 2011_09	Swiss-Prot	532,146
	TrEMBL	16,886,838

(redundant)

UniRef100 Release 2011_09 consists of **13,992,000** entries

Protein structures are archived in the Protein Data Bank (PDB) since 1971



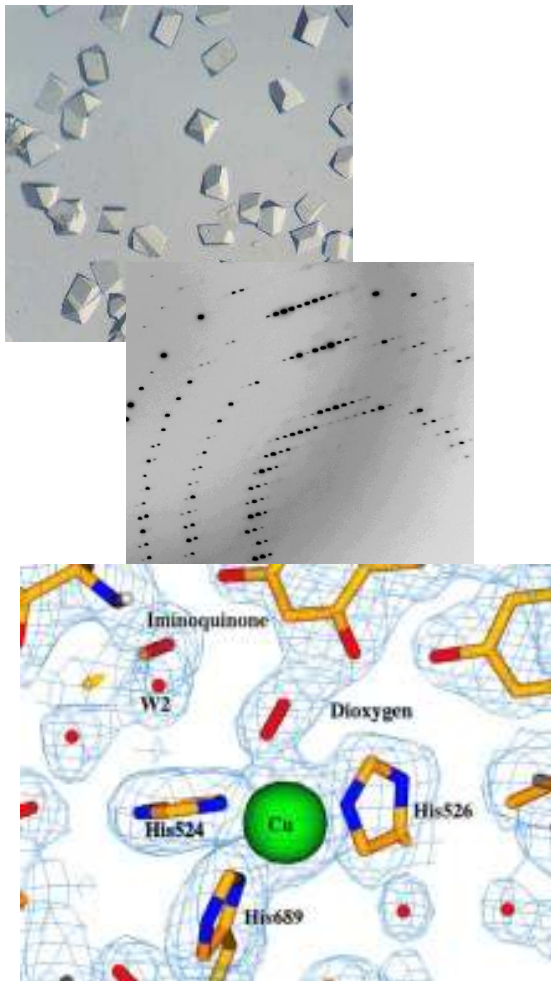
www.wwpdb.org

The mission of the wwPDB is to maintain **a single Protein Data Bank archive** of macromolecular structural data that is freely and publicly available to the global community.

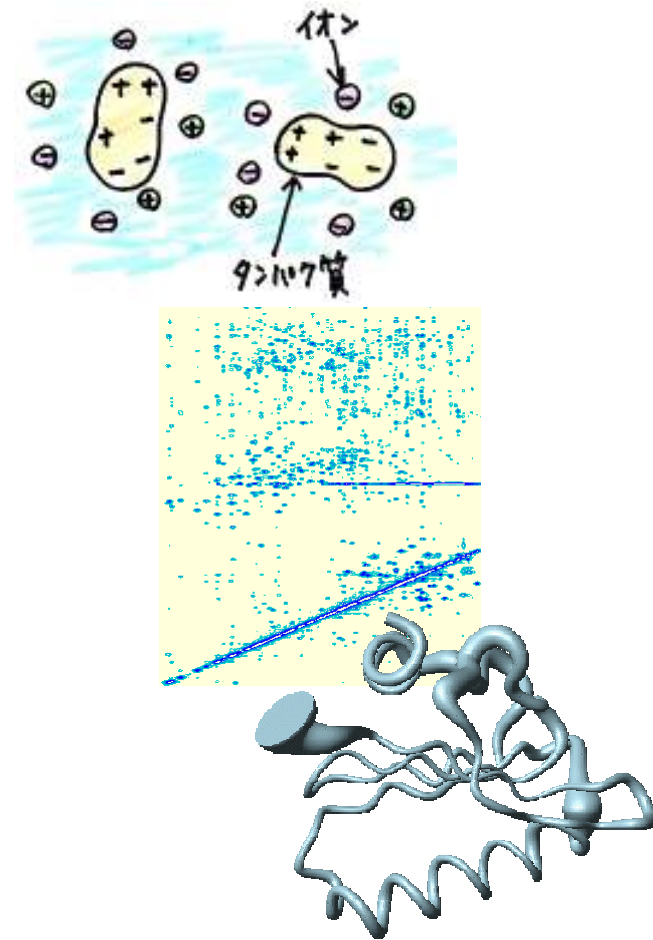
RCSB (USA)

PDBe (Europe)

PDBj (Japan)

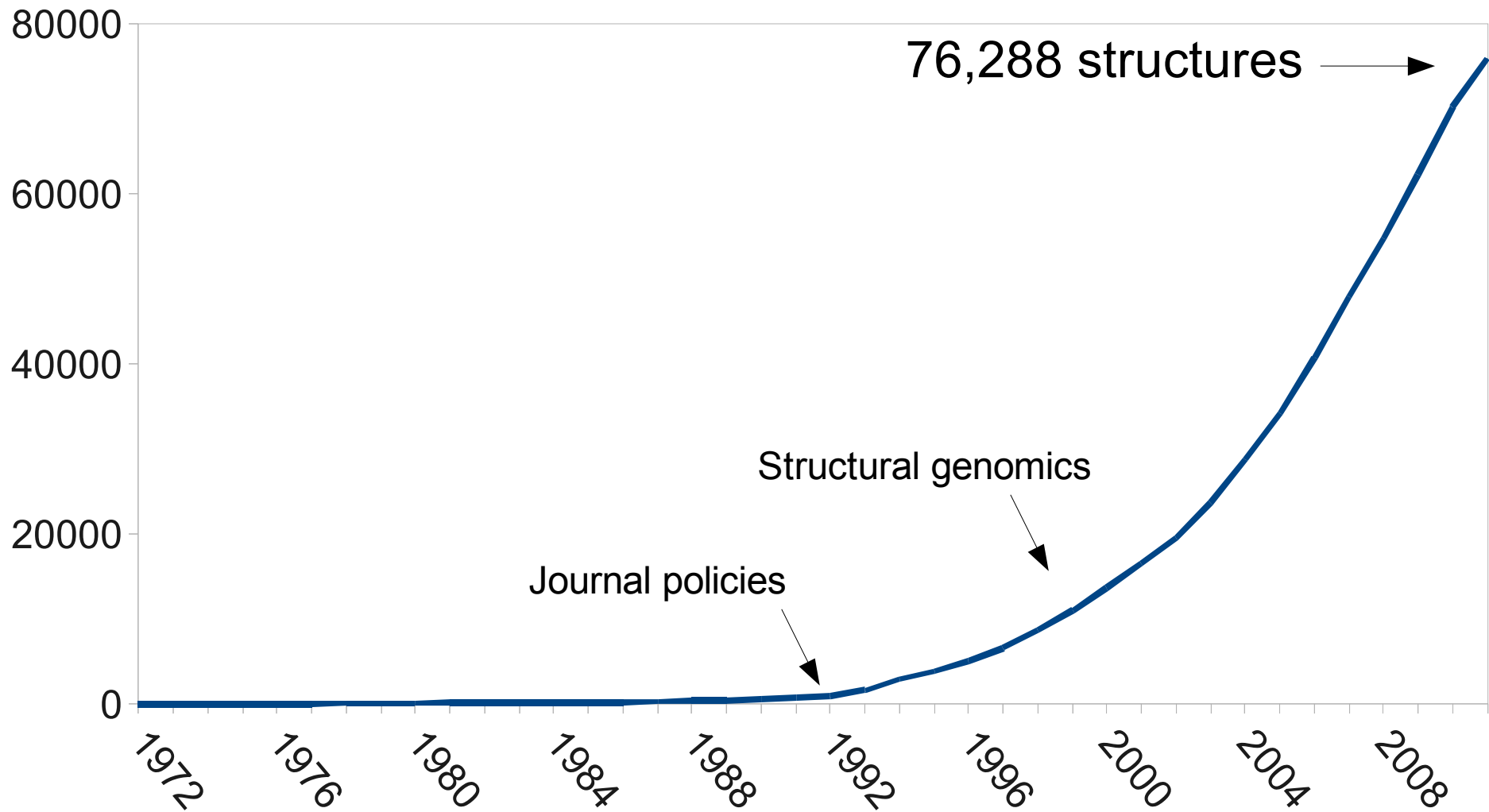


87% X-ray crystallography



12% NMR spectroscopy

Total number of PDB structures per year



43,535

(non-redundant, 100% identity)

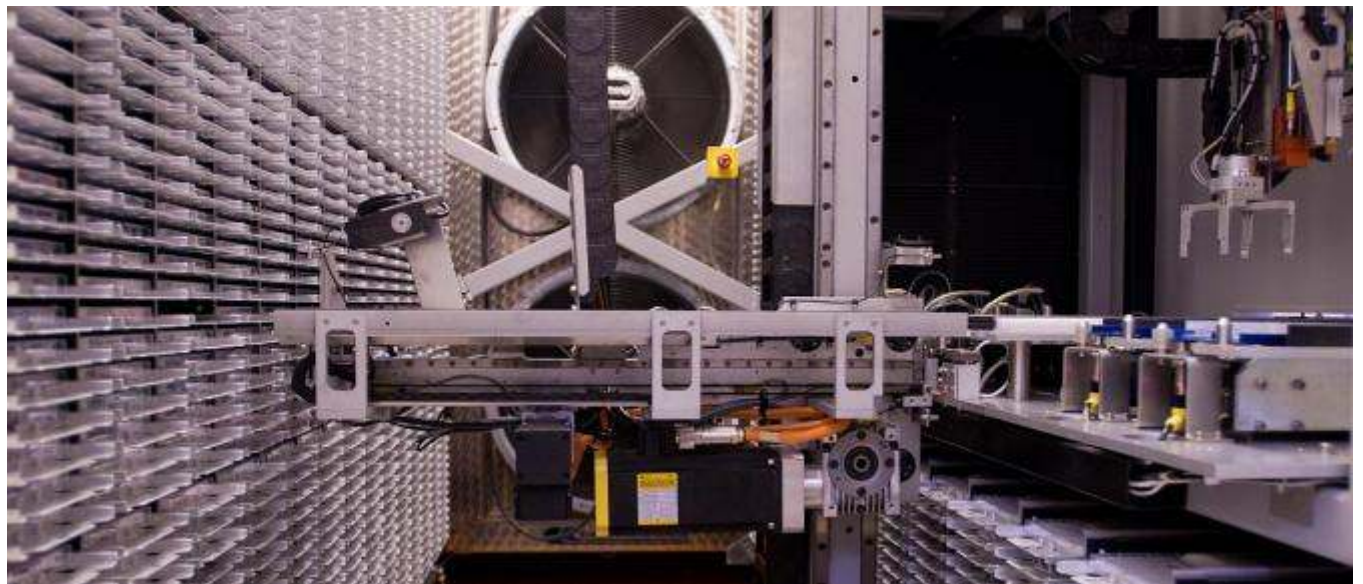
Structural genomics

Large scale determination and analysis of three-dimensional structures

To determine by **experimental methods** a **representative set** of macromolecular structures, including medically important human proteins and proteins from important pathogens and model organisms.

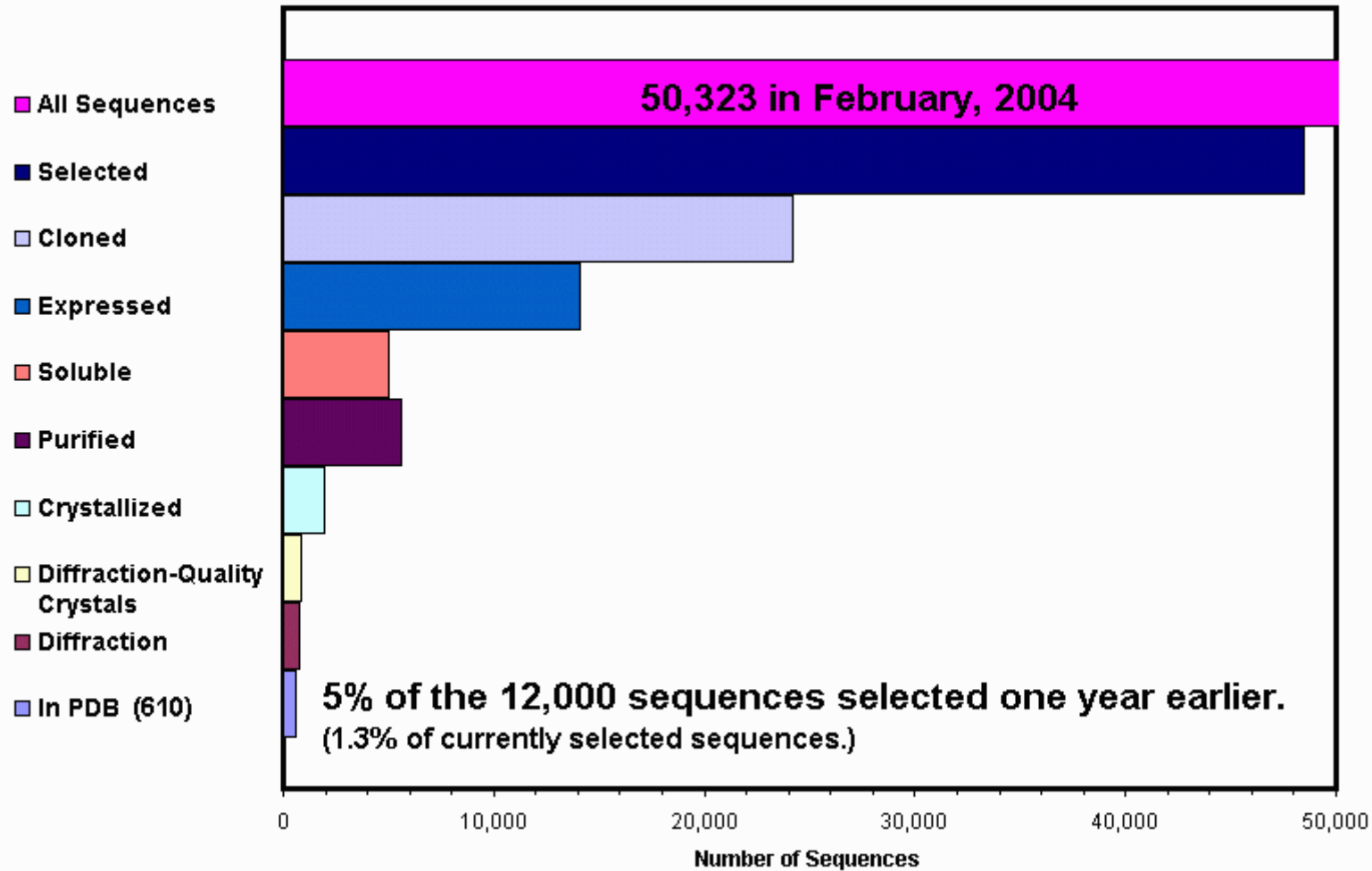
To provide **models** based on sequence similarity to significantly extend the coverage of structure space.

To derive **functional information** from these structures by experimental and computational methods.



Success rate at each step towards a structure

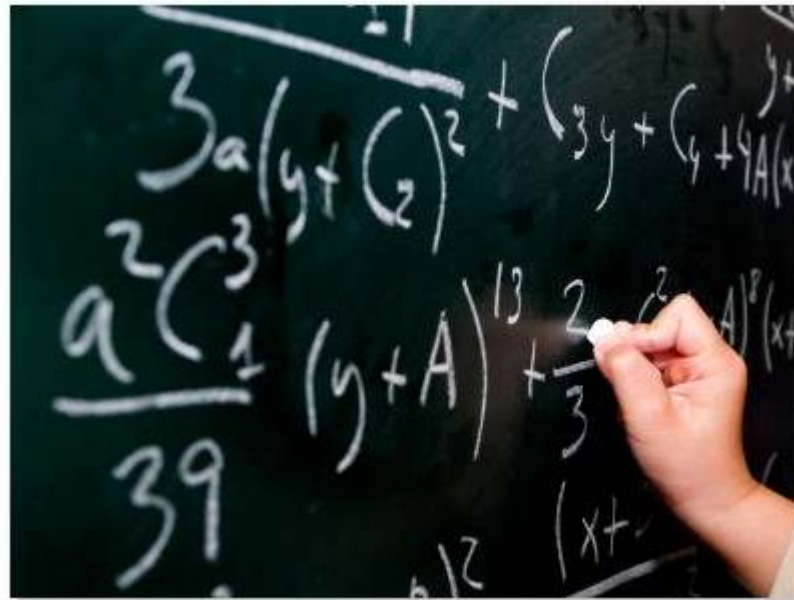
Graph by Eric Martz, 2/04, from data in TargetDB.PDB.Org.



Sequence – structure relationships

What is the chance that your “favorite” protein is in PDB?

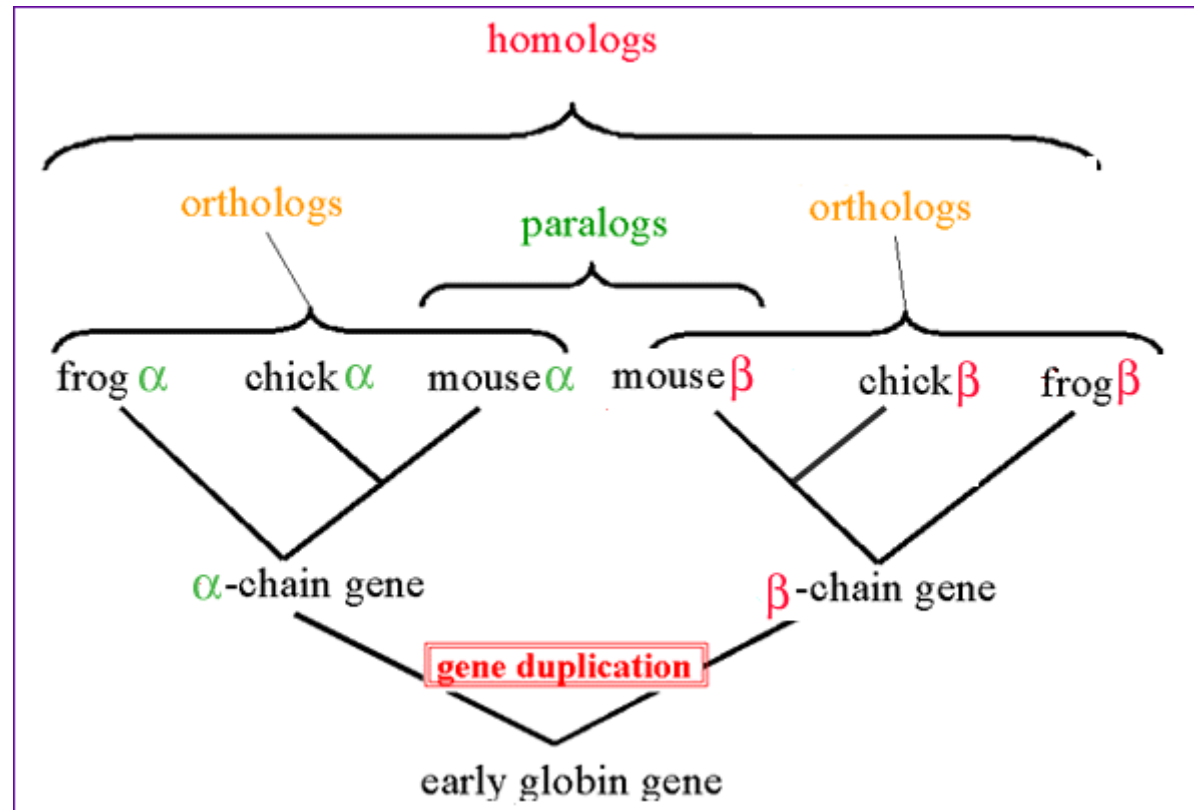
PDB
43,535



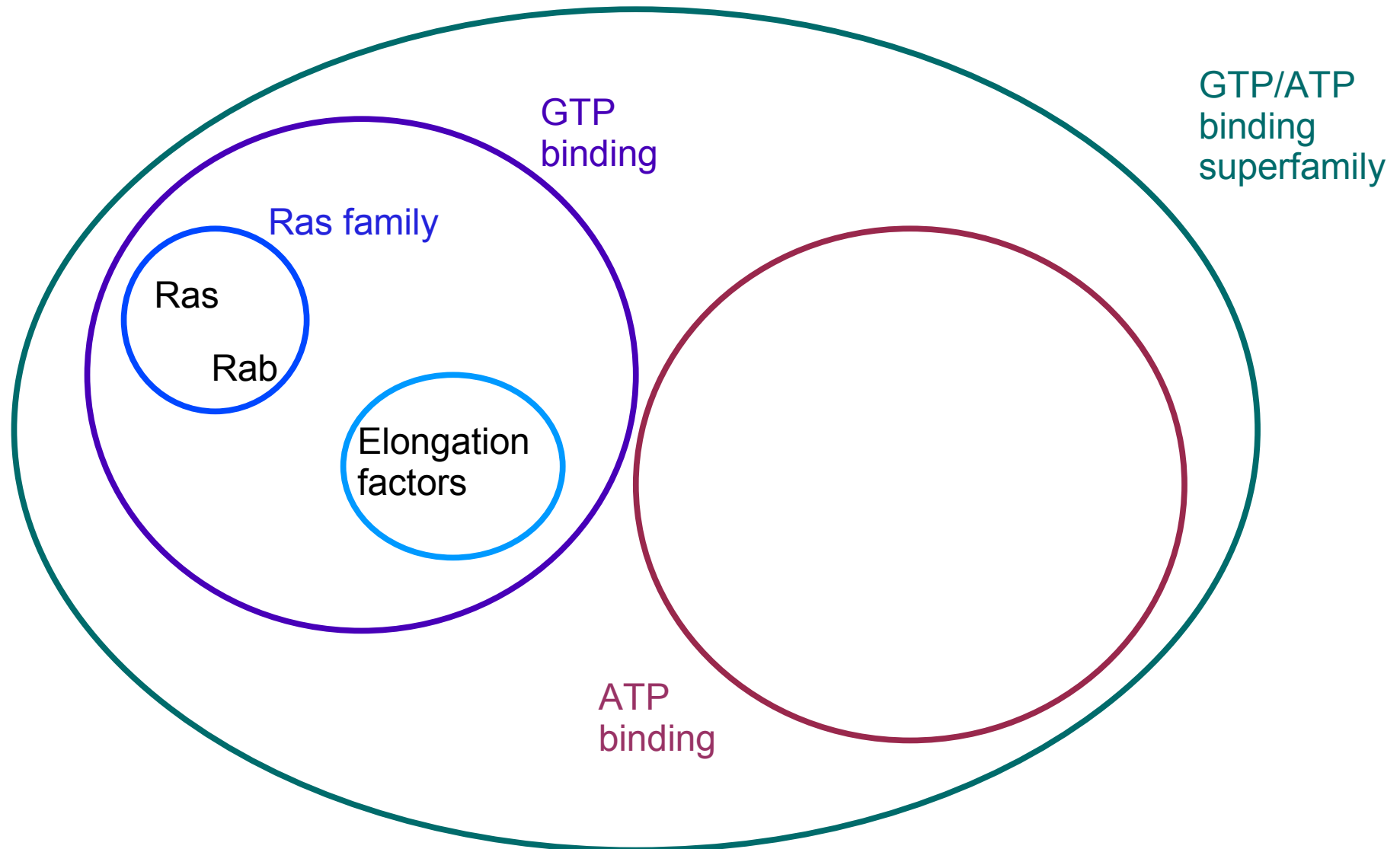
UniProt
13,992,000

Known structures for **0.3%** of known protein sequences

Some proteins are similar due to evolutionary and/or functional reasons



Protein families and superfamilies



Proteins are composed of domains

Domain =

Structural
Evolutionary
Functional

unit

Usually described from

sequences

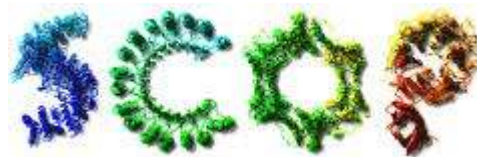
e.g.

Pfam

SMART

structures

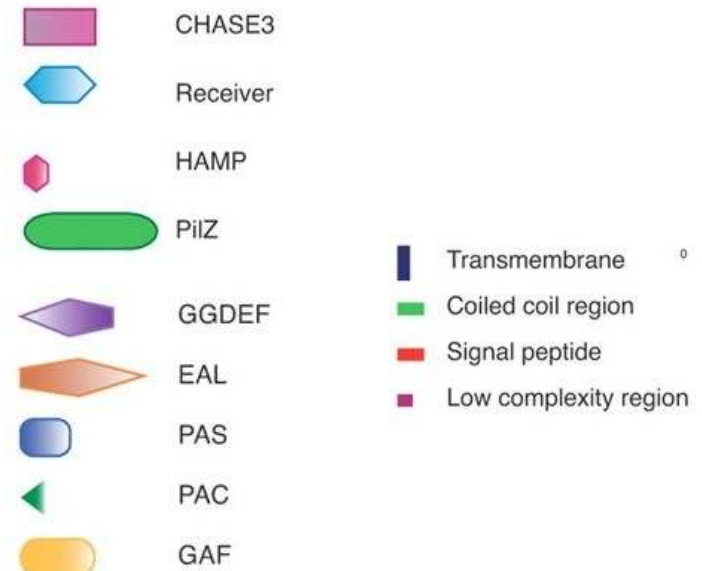
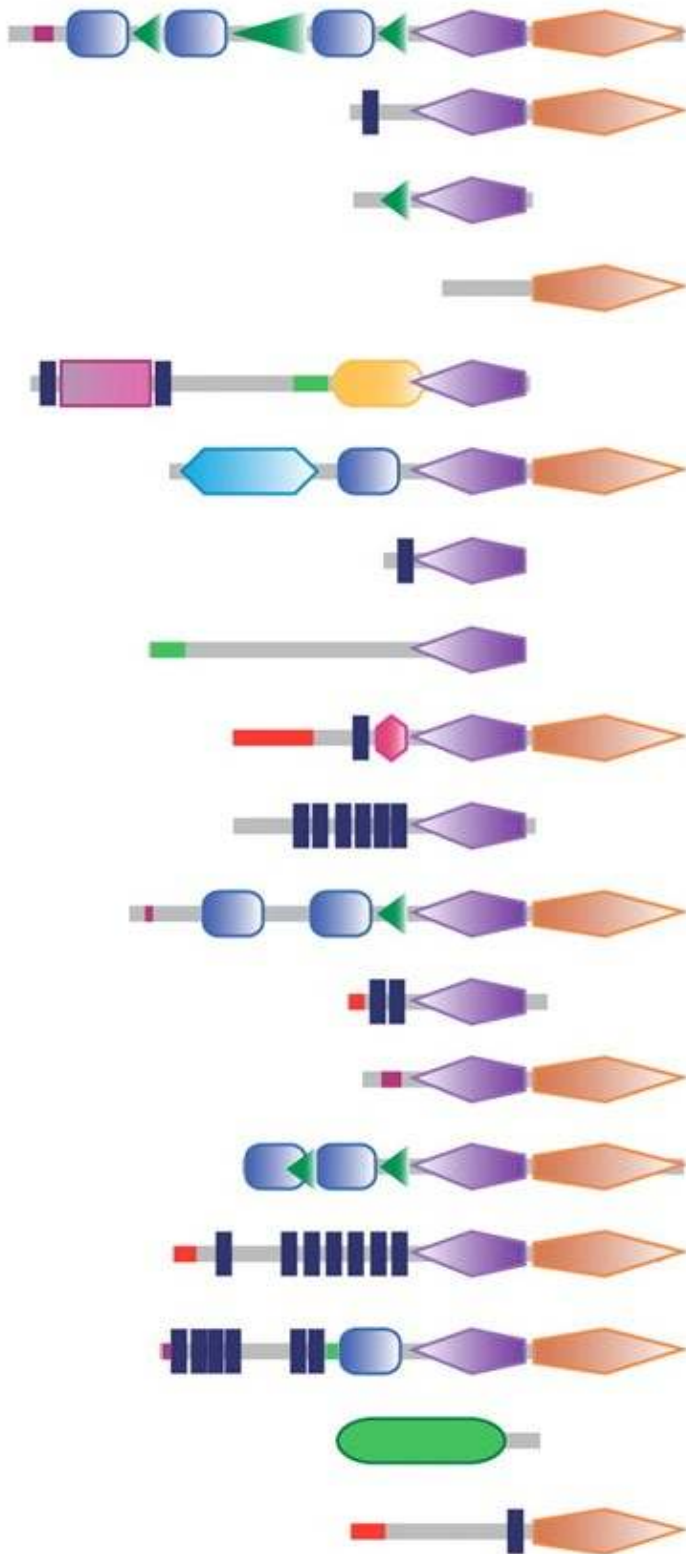
e.g.



CATH
PROTEIN STRUCTURE CLASSIFICATION

Domain organization of predicted GGDEF/EAL/PilZ domain proteins in the *Legionella pneumophila* Philadelphia-1 genome

Levi, A., M. Folcher, U. Jenal, and H. A. Shuman. 2011. Cyclic diguanylate signaling proteins control intracellular growth of *Legionella pneumophila*. *mBio* 2(1):e00316-10



Structural domains

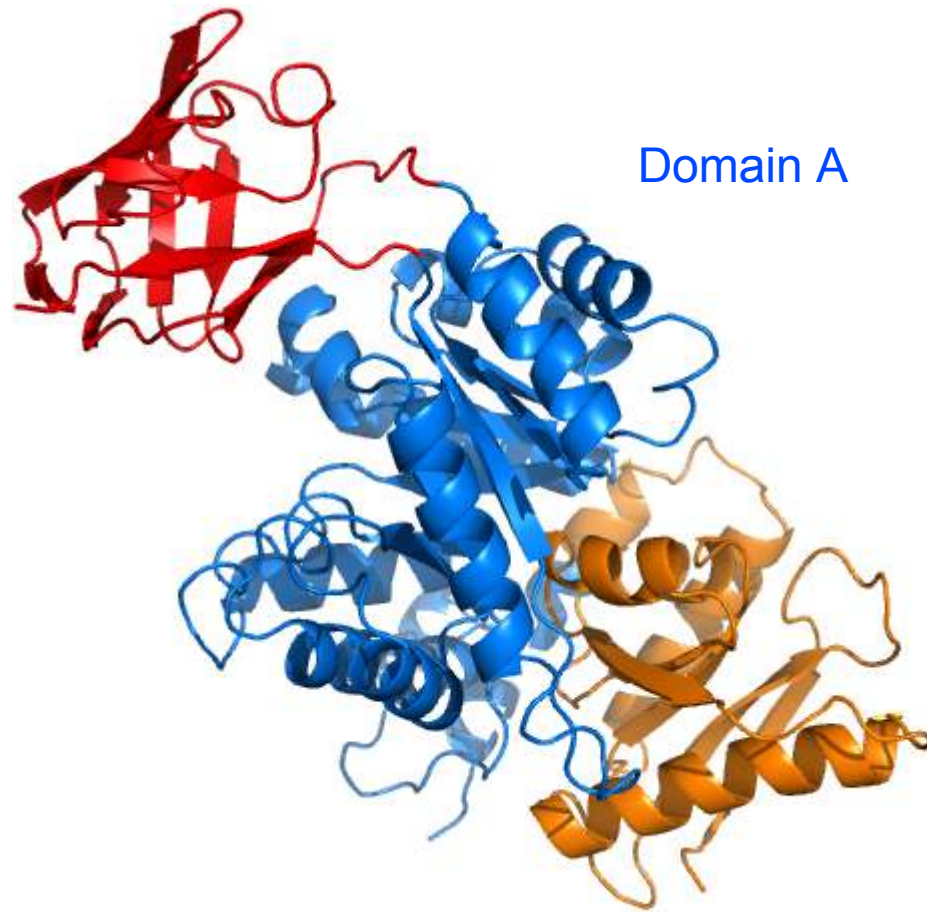
Domain B

Domain A

Domain C

Pyruvate kinase

PDB:1pkn



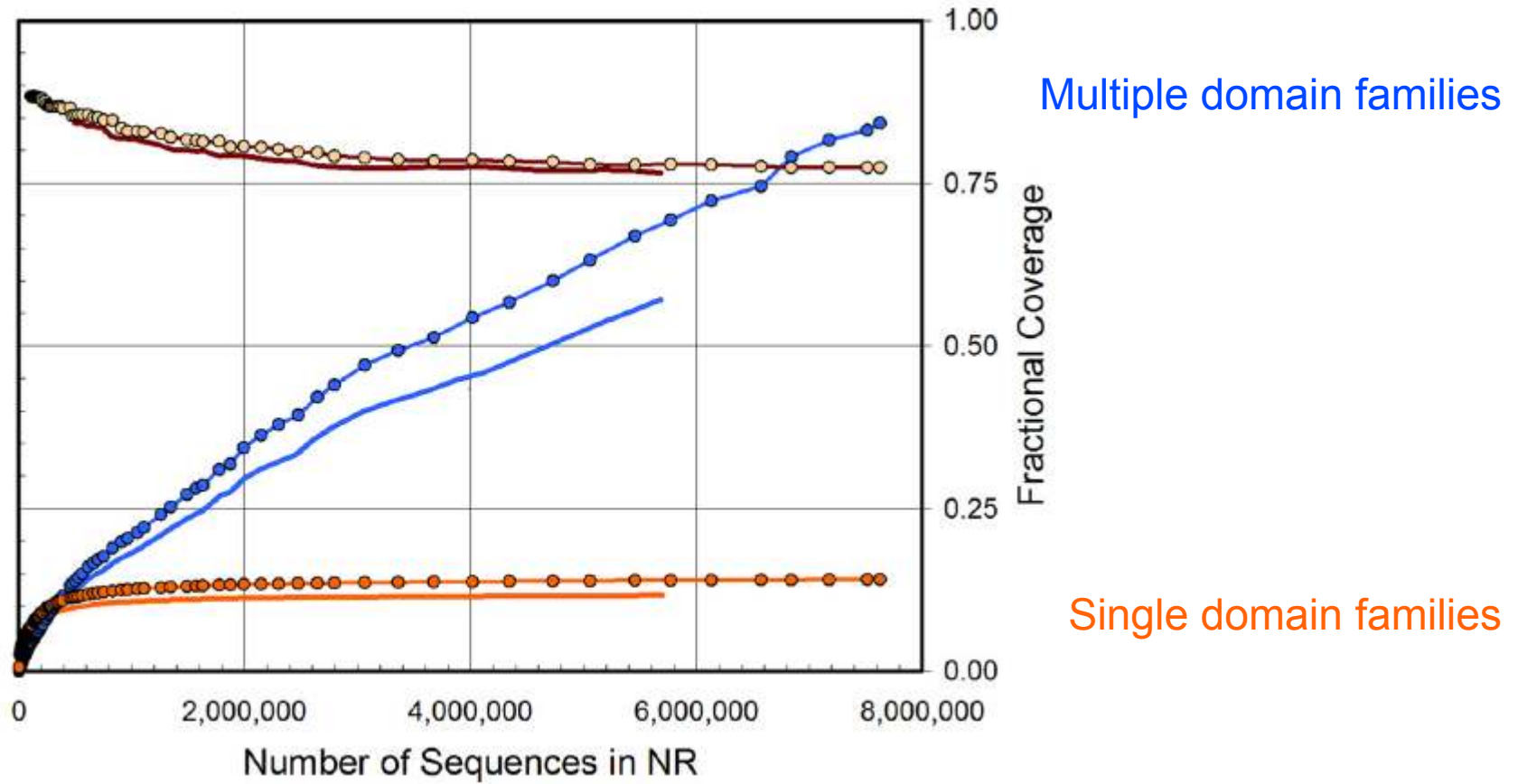
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How many families?

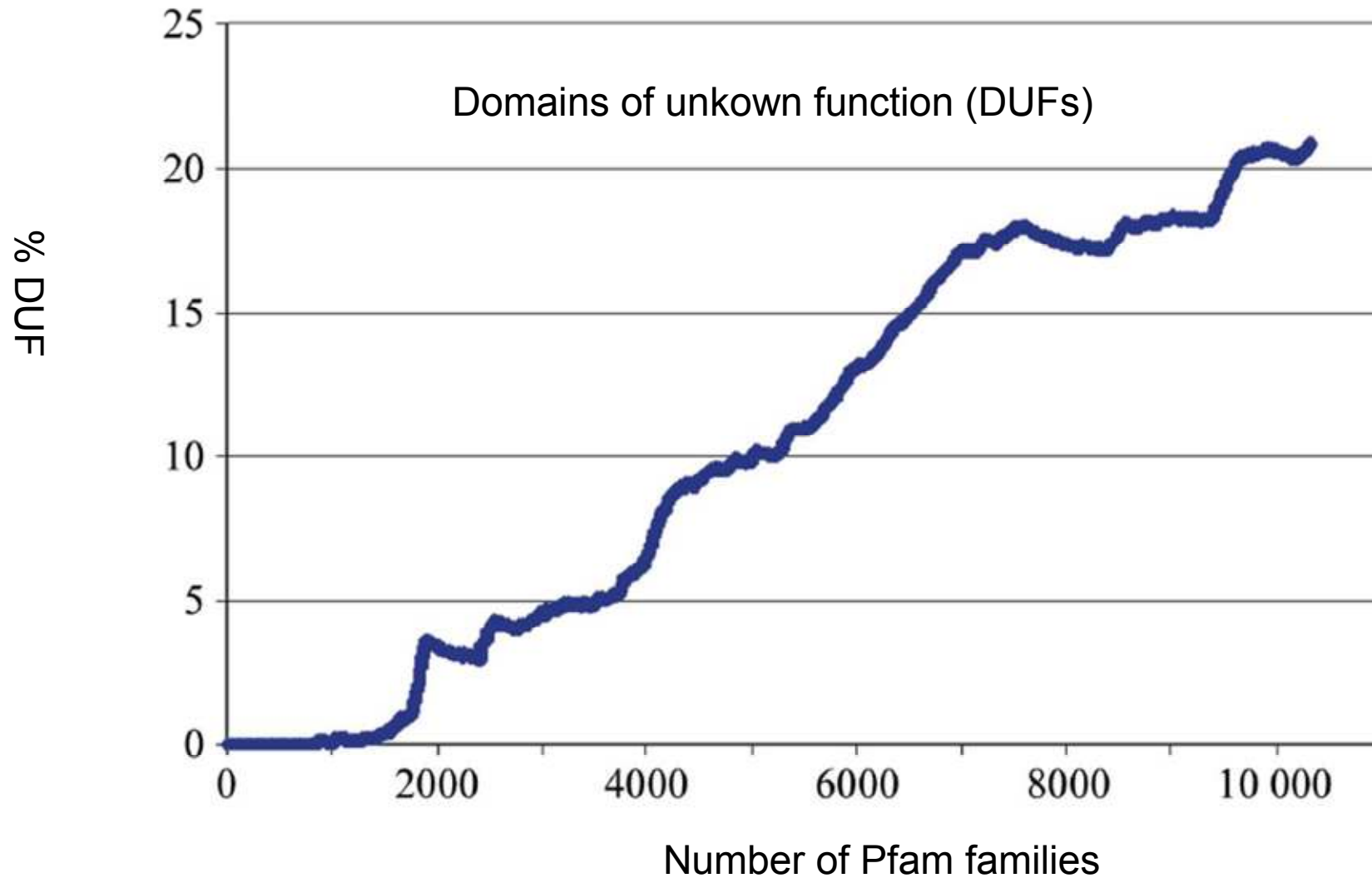




22% of known protein sequences do not match any known domain family

M. Levitt (2009) Nature of the protein universe. *Proc Acad Sci USA* 106:11079

Functional coverage



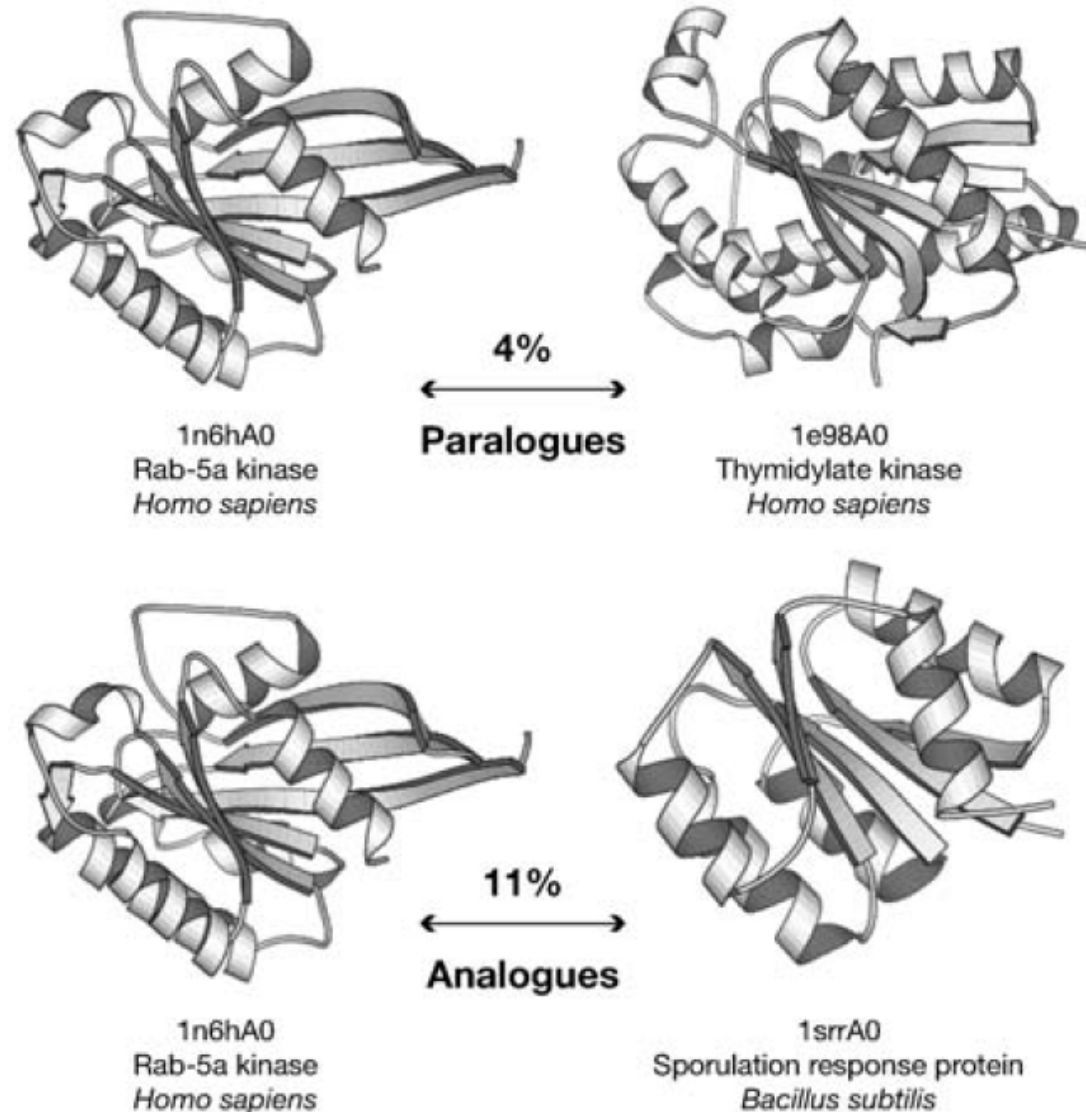
Structural coverage

Known structures for **0.3%** of known protein sequences

25% of single domain families have at least one structure solved

Expected **85%** coverage by 2050

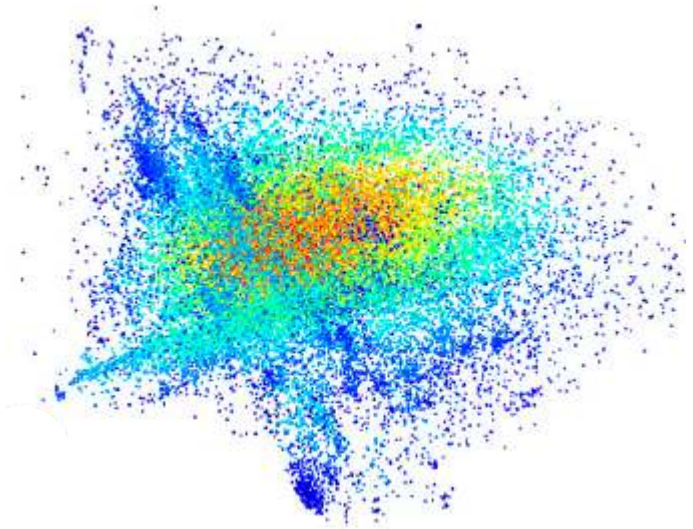
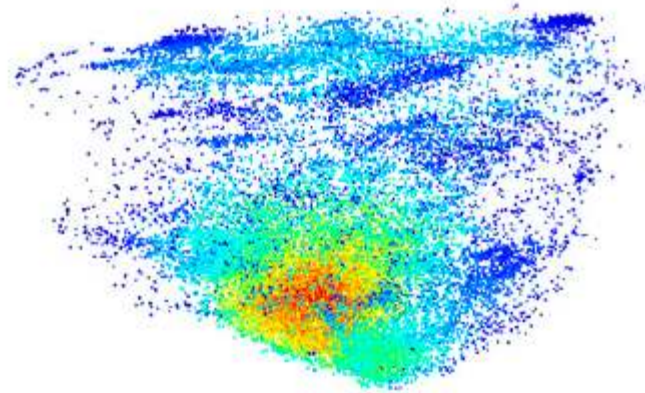
In distantly related proteins, structure is more conserved than sequence



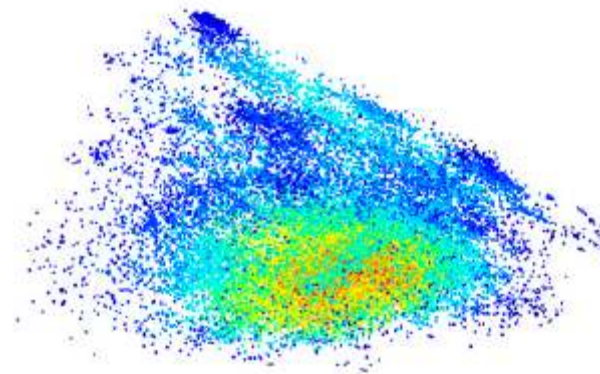
CA Orengo, JM Thorton. Protein families and their evolution – a structural perspective. *Annu. Rev. Biochem.* 2005.74:867-900

Structure – function relationships

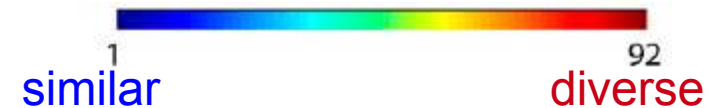
Structure space has a core of high functional diversity



Structural space

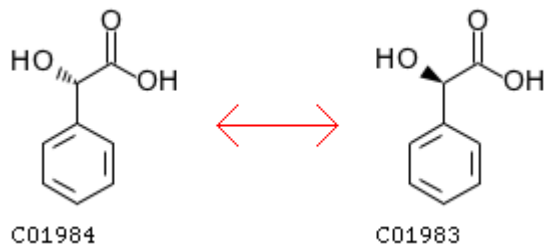


Functional diversity scale



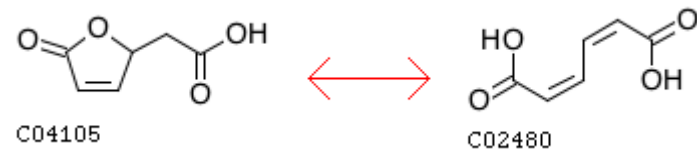
M Osadchy and R Kolodny
Maps of protein structure space reveal a fundamental
relationship between protein structure and function
Proc Nat Acad USA 2011, 108:12301-12306

Mandelate racemase EC 5.1.2.2



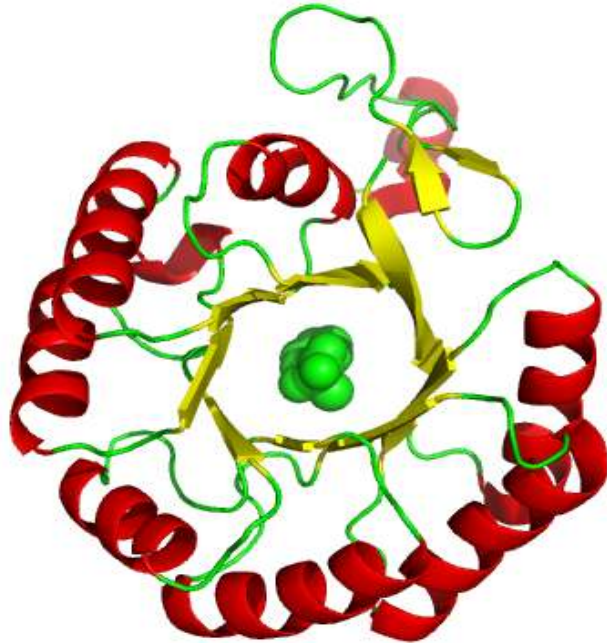
(S)-Mandelate \rightleftharpoons (R)-Mandelate

Muconate lactonizing enzyme EC 5.5.1.1



2,5-Dihydro-5-oxofuran-2-acetate \rightleftharpoons cis,cis-Muconate

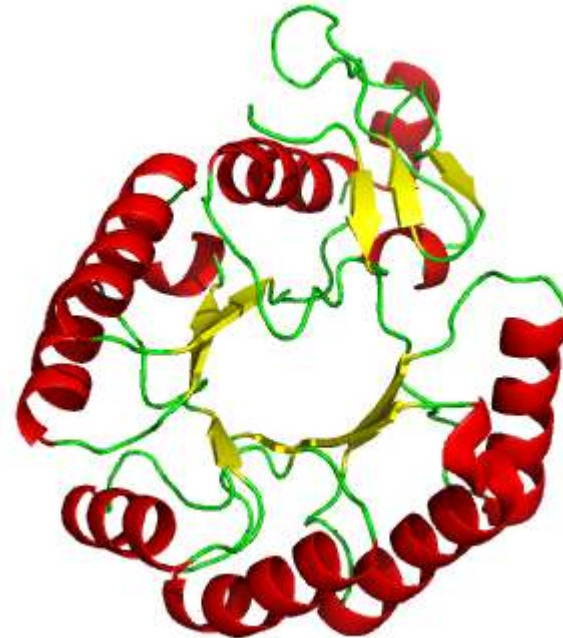
David J. Neidhart, George L. Kenyon, John A. Gerlt & Gregory A. Petsko
Mandelate racemase and muconate lactonizing enzyme are mechanistically distinct and structurally homologous
Nature 347, 692 - 694 (18 October 1990); doi:10.1038/347692a0



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Mandelate racemase
EC 5.1.2.2

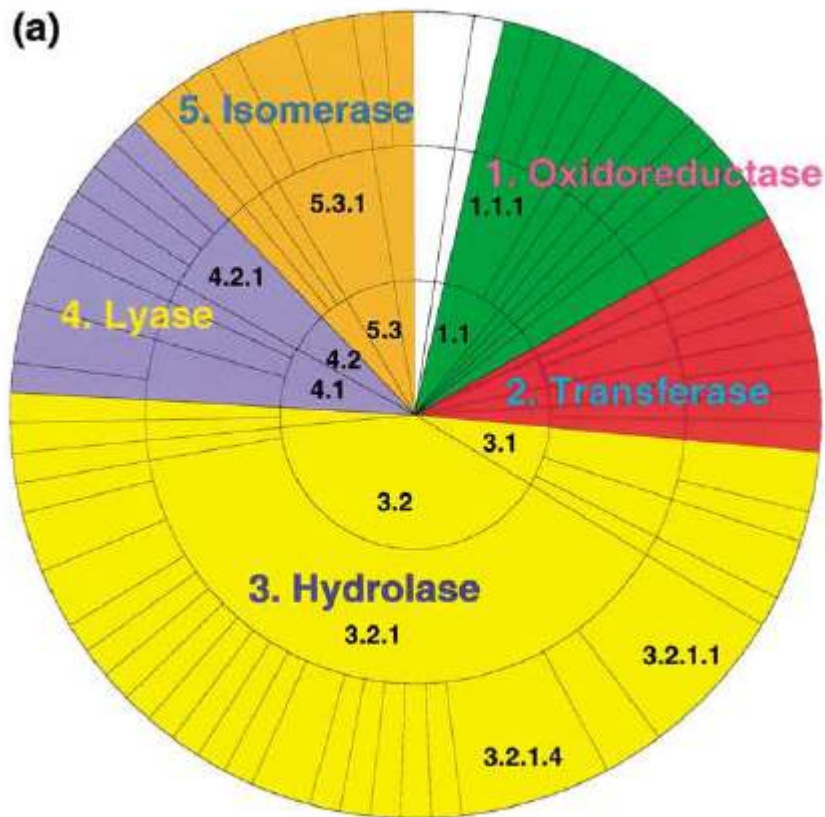
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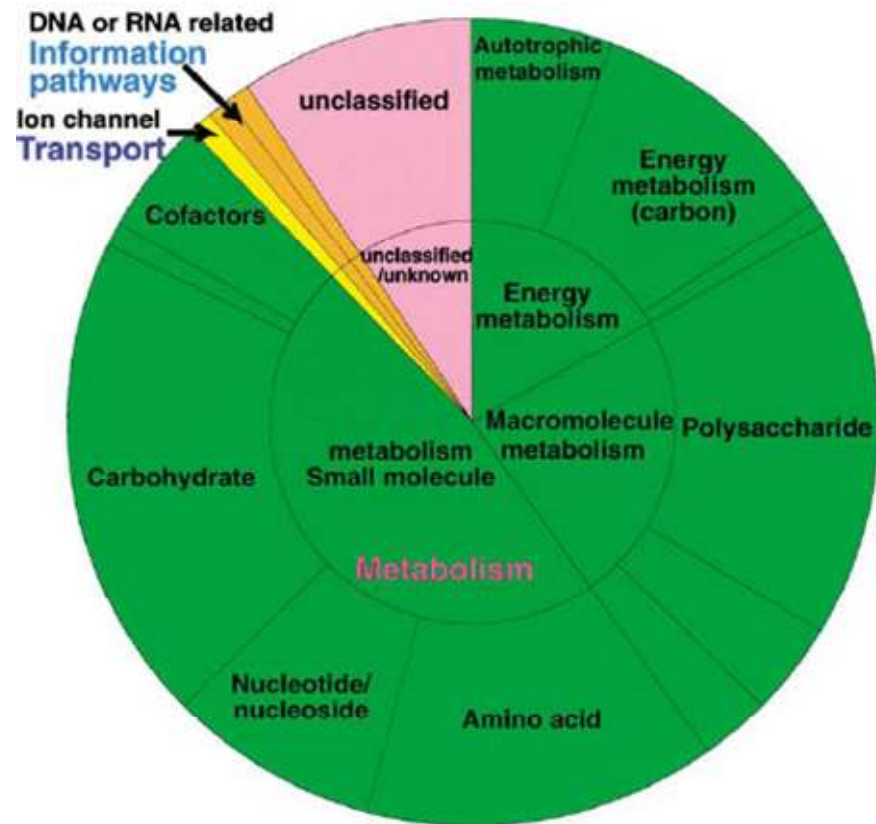
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Muconate lactonizing enzyme
EC 5.5.1.1

TIM barrel functions



Enzymatic



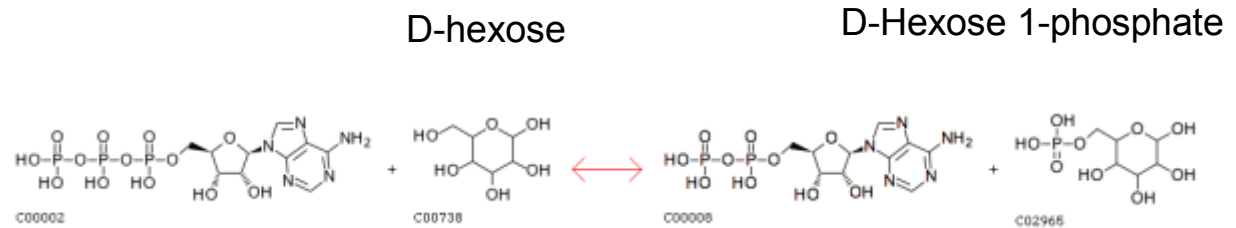
Non-Enzymatic

P Bork, C Sander, A Valencia

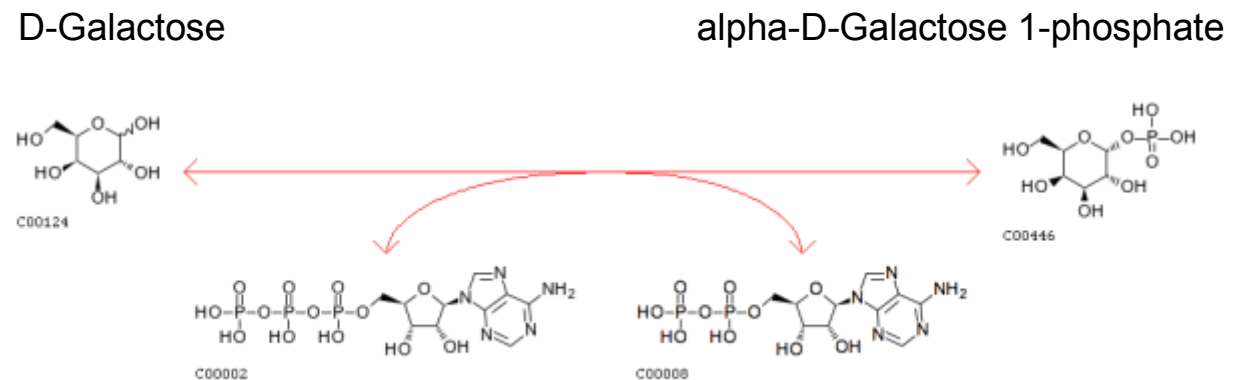
Convergent evolution of similar enzymatic function on different protein folds: the hexokinase, ribokinase, and galactokinase families of sugar kinases.

Protein Sci. 1993 Jan;2(1):31-40.

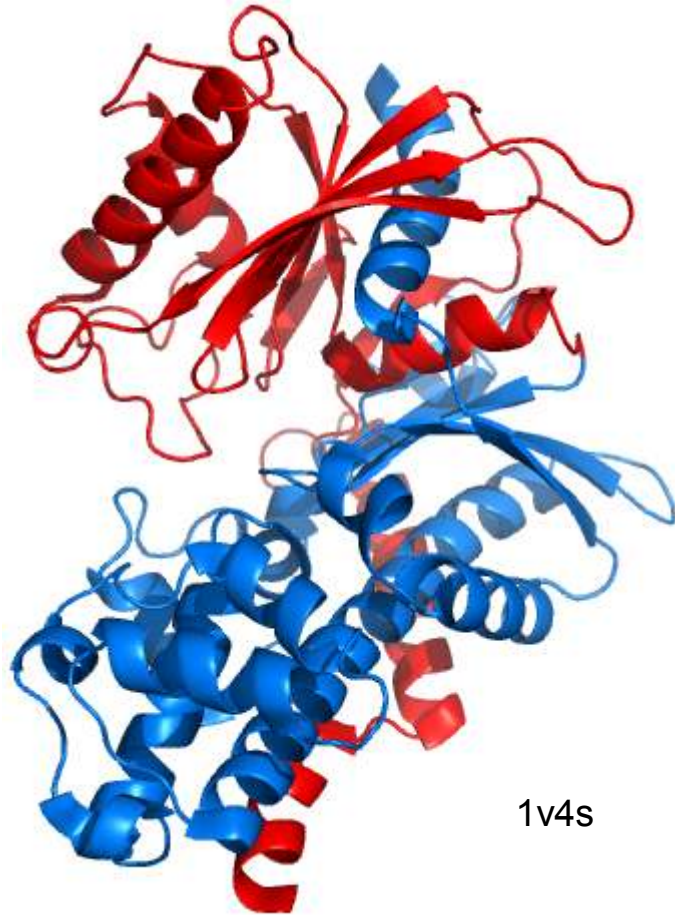
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EC 2.7.1.1



Galactokinase
EC 2.7.1.6



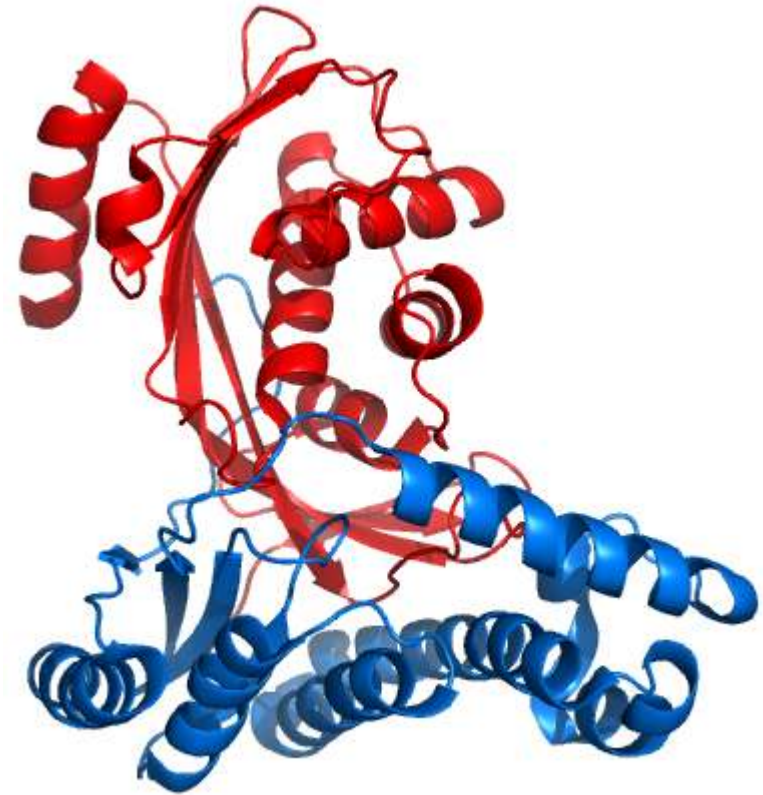
Hexokinase



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Actin-like ATPase domain

Galactokinase

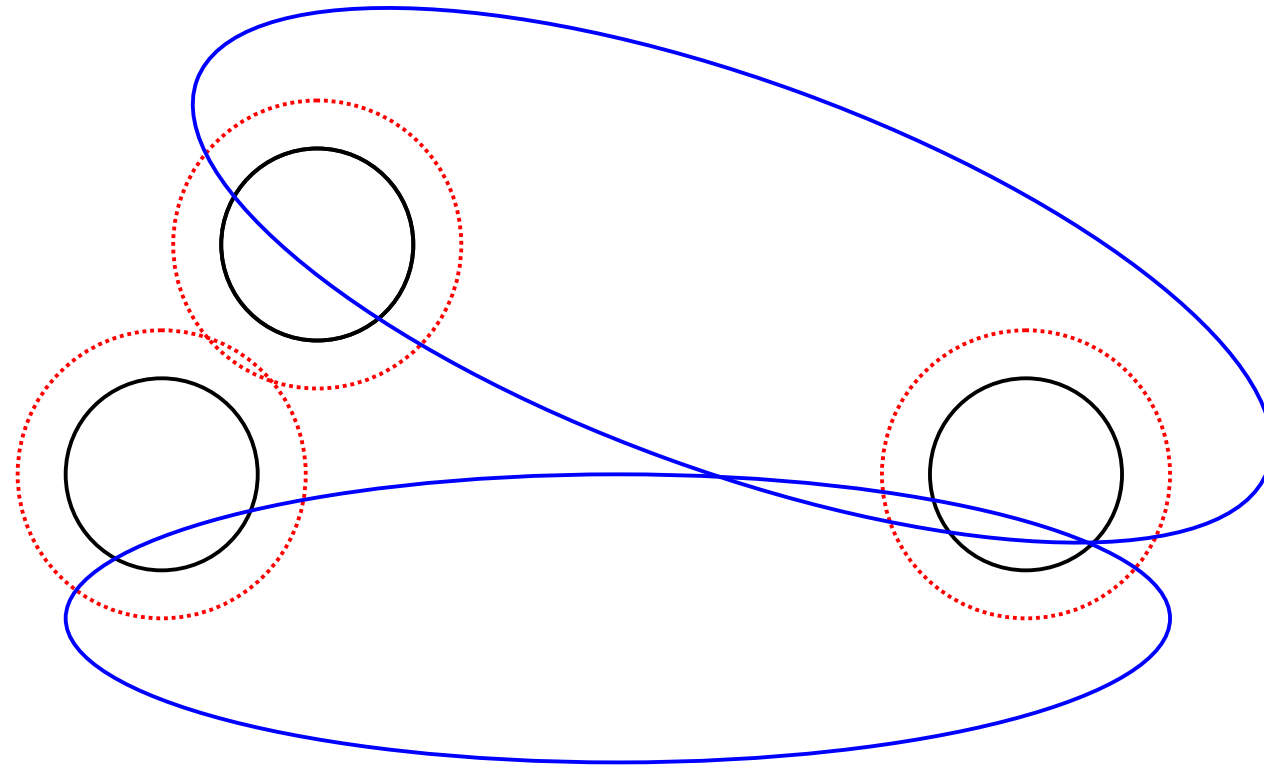


1pie

Ribosomal protein S5 domain 2-like

GHMP Kinase, C-term domain

Relationships among sequence, structure and function



Similar sequences

Similar structures

Similar functions

Structural resources

PDB sites

RCSB (USA)

www.pdb.org



PDBe (Europe)

www.pdbe.org



PDBj (Japan)

www.pdbj.org



Other PDB portal sites



<http://www.ebi.ac.uk/pdbsum>



<http://oca.weizmann.ac.il/oca-docs/oca-home.html>



<http://www.imb-jena.de/IMAGE.html>



<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sites/entrez?db=structure>

PDB contents

3D atomic coordinates

Biochemical composition

Experimental process

Additional experimental data

Structure factors (X-ray crystallography)

Restraints and chemical shifts (NMR)

The PDB file

Header section

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Atomic coordinates

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Residue

Secondary structure elements

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									(...)			

Heteroatoms

Description

HET	NAD	A	1	44	NAD CO- ENZYME	4MDH 219
HET	SUL	A	2	5	SULFATE	4MDH 220
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HET	SUL	B	2	5	SULFATE	4MDH 222
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FORMUL	4	SUL	2(O4 S1)			4MDH 224
FORMUL	5	HCH	*471(H2 O1)			4MDH 225

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Atomic coordinates

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Connectivity

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Data quality

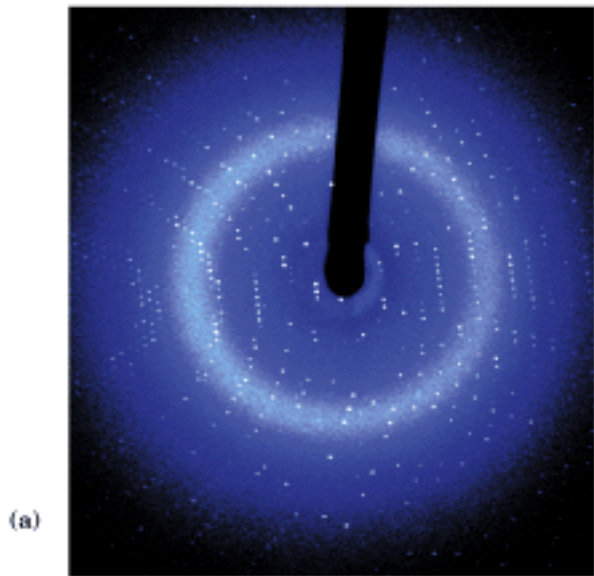
Protein structures are experimentally determined

They represent a *model* or explanation of experimental data

Any experiment, might have errors associated

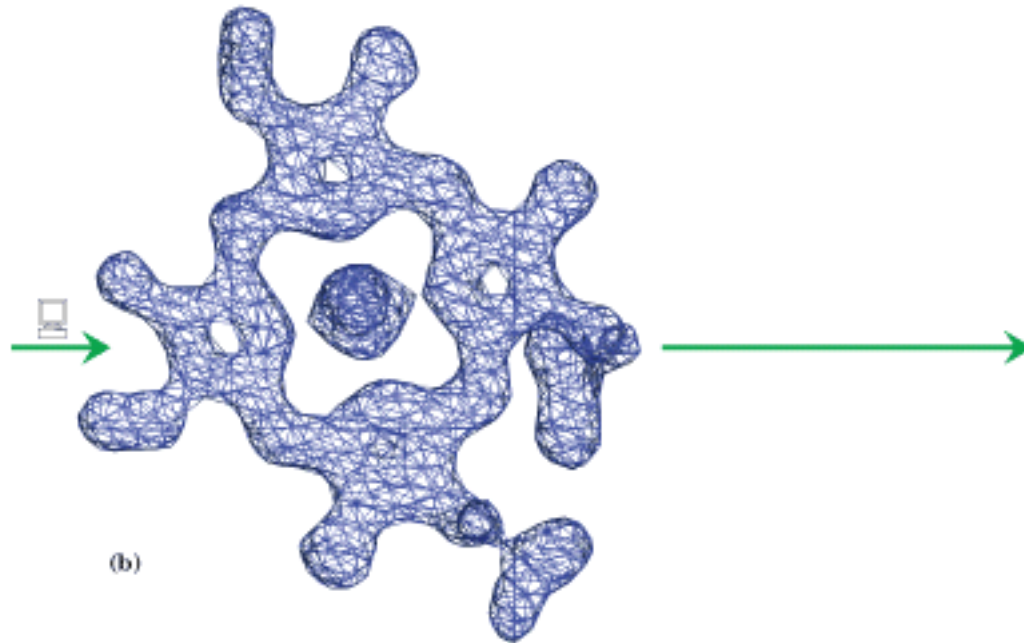
Caution: not all structures are of equally high quality

X-ray crystallography experiment



(a)

Amplitudes

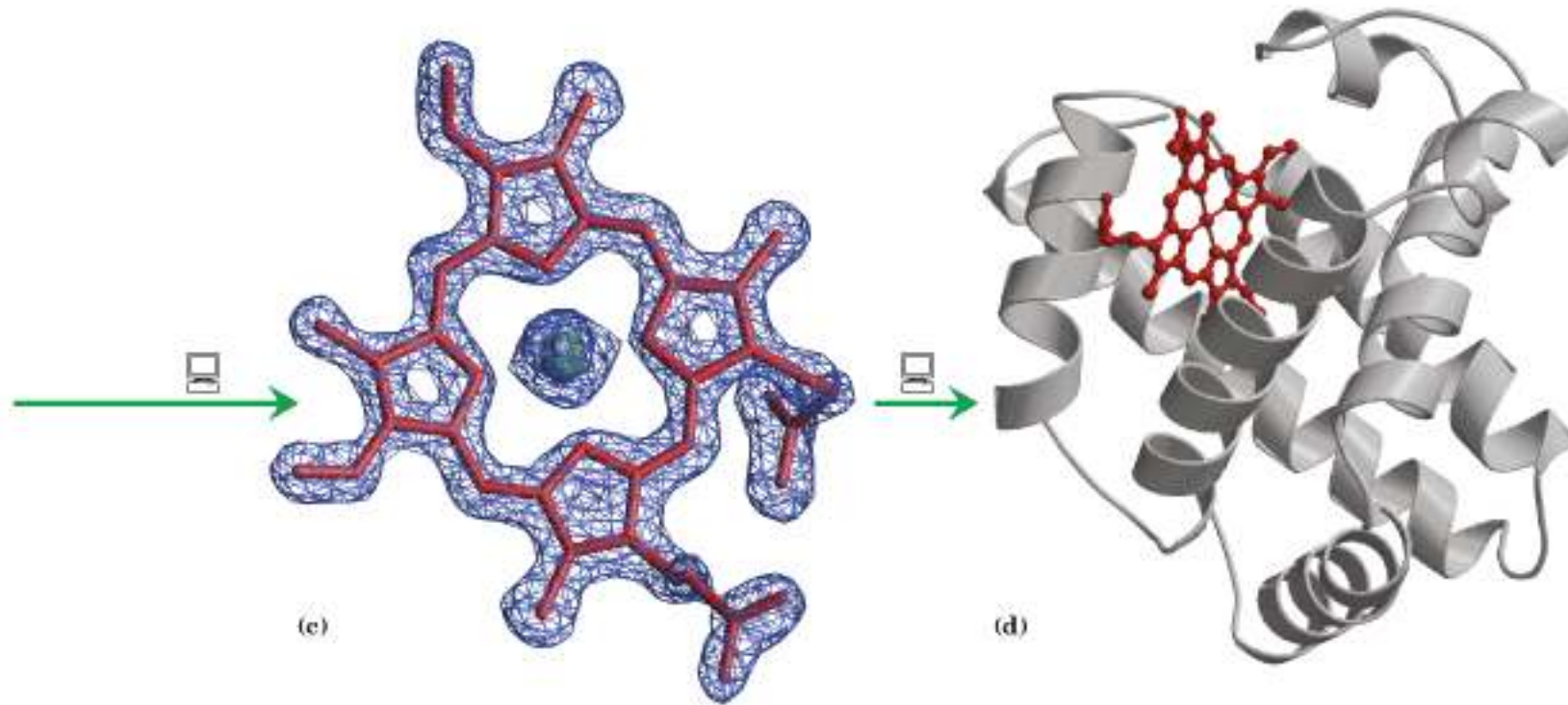


(b)

Amplitudes
&
phases

Electron density maps are the primary result of crystallographic experiments

X-ray crystallography experiment



Atomic coordinates reflect an interpretation of the electron density

Validation & Structure Quality



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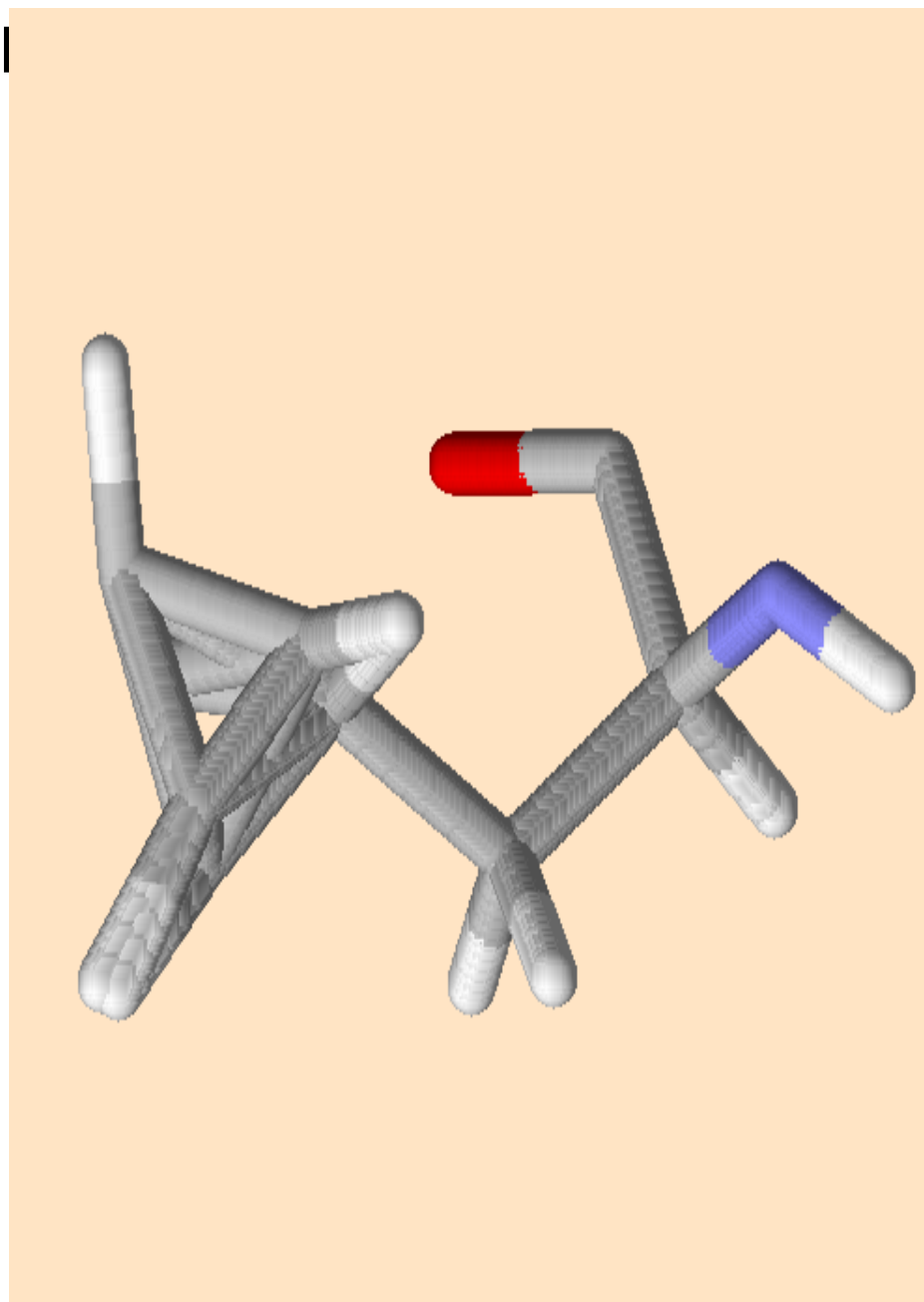
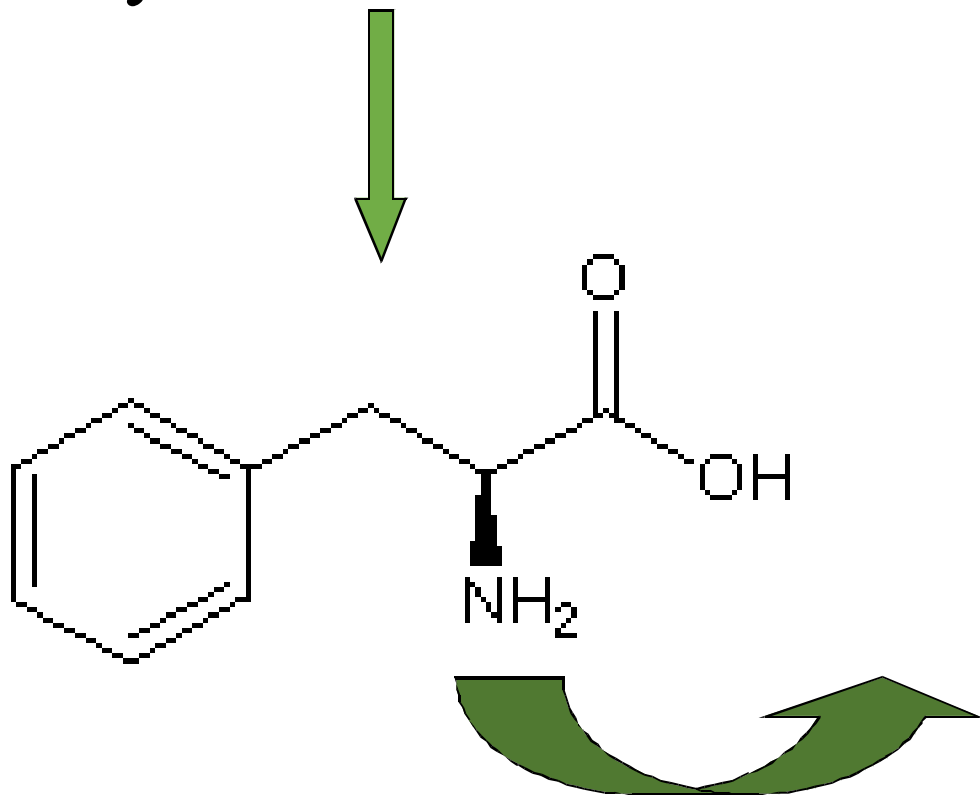
Errors in Structures

- Completely wrong
 - Wrong trace, incorrect fold of protein
 - Register errors, where trace of protein is not in keeping with sequence order.
- Partial errors
 - Incorrectly built loops.
 - Wrong residues built into the structure (i.e., Proline instead of Aspartic acid).
- Bad data quality
 - Bad geometry and stereochemistry.
 - Incorrect positioning of ligands etc due to lack of experimental evidence.

- FRAUD !!

Geometry and Stereochemistry

This is supposed to be
Phenylalanine and should look



Wrong Structures: Retracted !!

RETRACTED: Structure of MsbA from *Vibrio cholera*: A Multidrug Resistance ABC Transporter Homolog in a Closed Conformation

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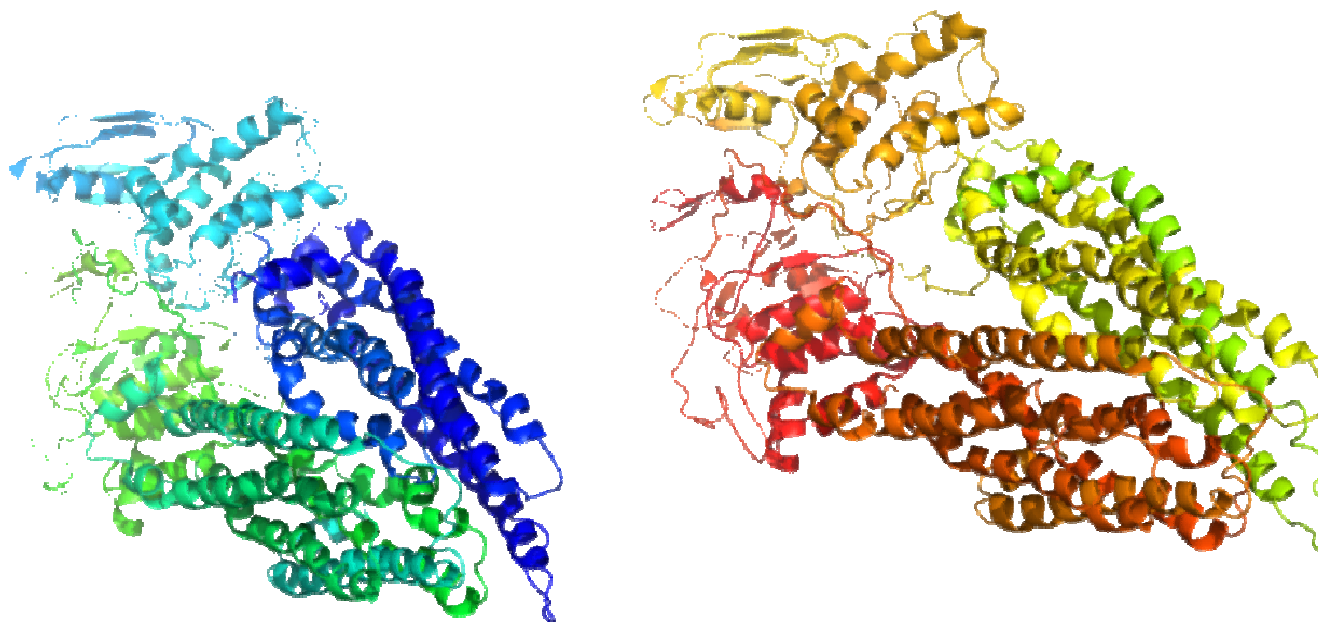
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“were incorrect in both the hand of the structure and the topology. Thus, the biological interpretations based on the inverted models for MsbA are invalid.”

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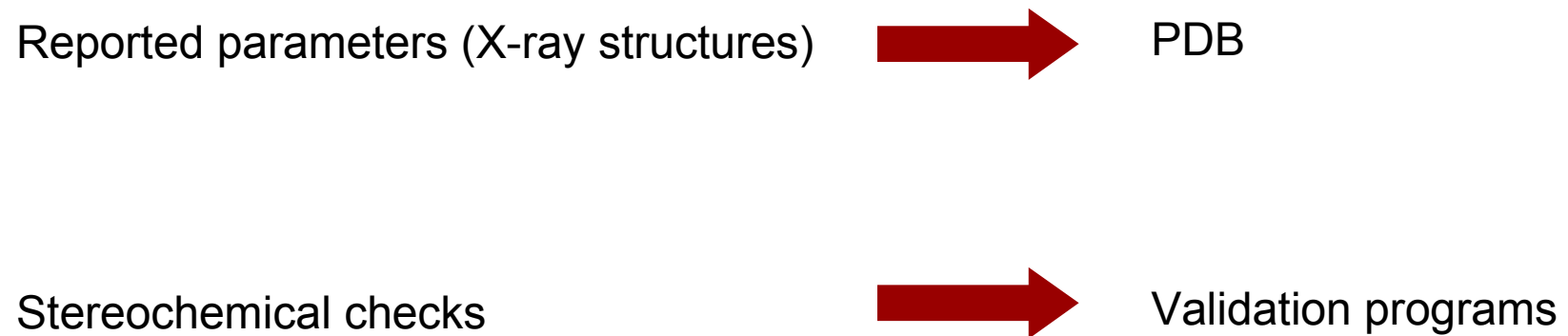


Ground rules for Bioinformatics

- ◆ **Don't always believe** what **programs** tell you
they're often misleading & sometimes wrong!
- ◆ **Don't always believe** what **databases** tell you
they're often misleading & sometimes wrong!
- ◆ **Don't always believe** what **lecturers** tell you
they're often misleading & sometimes wrong!
- ◆ In short, don't be a naive user
 - when computers are applied to biology, it is vital to understand the difference between mathematical & biological significance
 - computers do calculations quickly!

Computers don't do biology, You Do !

Quality indicators

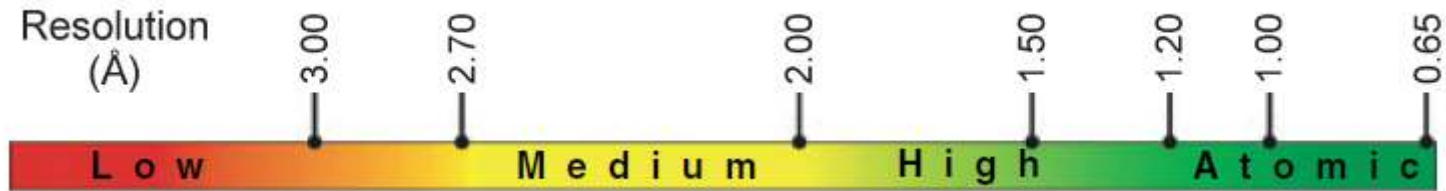


A Wlodawer, *et al.*

Protein crystallography for non-crystallographers, or how to get the best (but not more) from published macromolecular structures

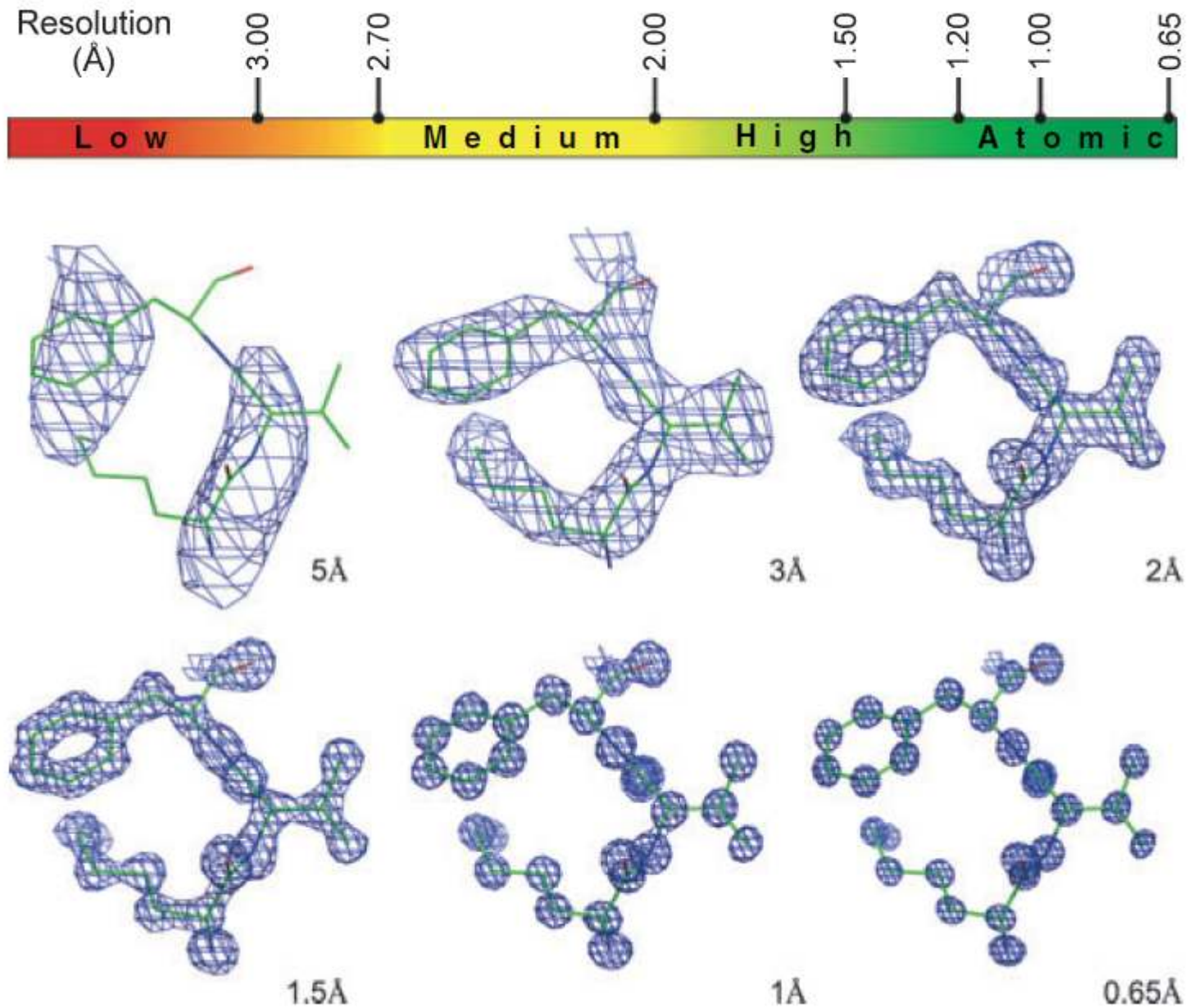
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Resolution

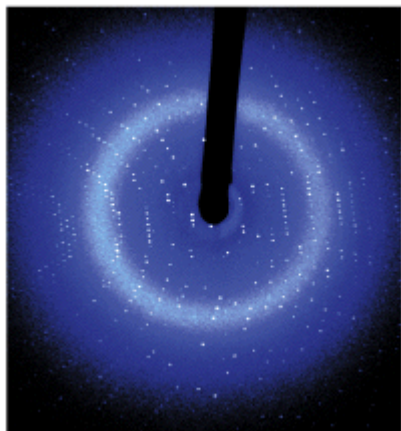


minimum spacing of crystal lattice planes that still provide measurable diffraction of X-rays

Resolution

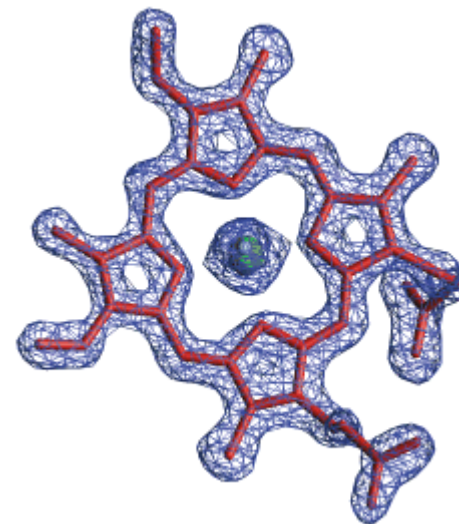


R-factor and related measures



F_{obs}

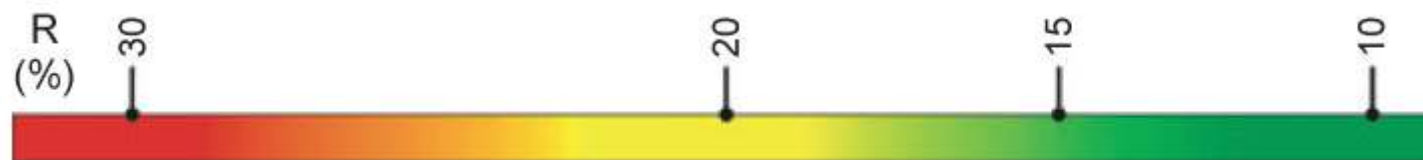
Agreement of
factor amplitudes



F_{calc}

$$R = \frac{\sum |F_{\text{obs}} - F_{\text{calc}}|}{\sum F_{\text{obs}}}$$

R-factor and related measures



Well-refined structures $R < 20\%$

R_{free}

Uses only a small fraction of experimental data (5-10%)
Which is excluded from the refinement procedure

$R_{\text{free}} - R$
(%)



Atomic B-factors

The B-factor (or temperature factor) is an indicator of thermal motion about an atom.

However, it should be pointed out that the B-factor is a mix of real thermal displacement, static disorder (multiple but defined conformations) and dynamic disorder (no defined conformation), and all the overlap between these definitions.

Expressed in \AA^2 (2-100 range)

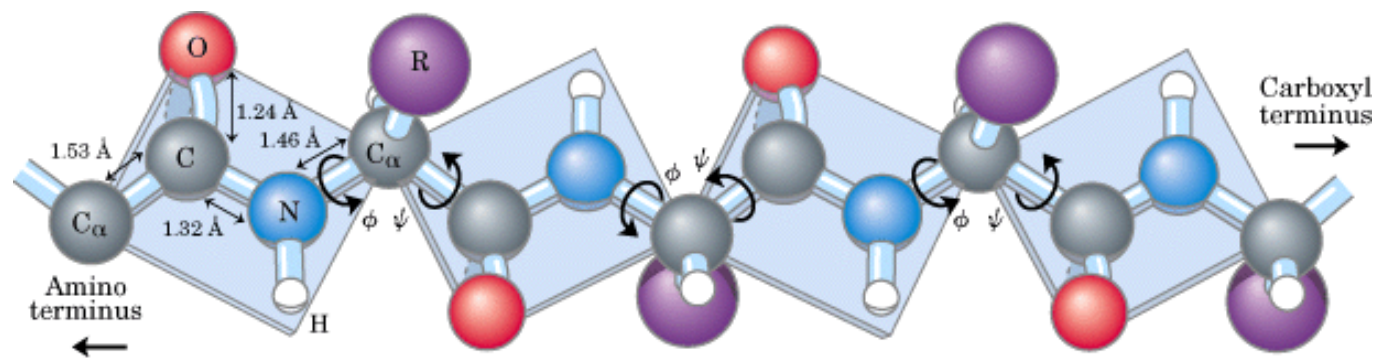
If one sees values systematically $> 40 \text{ \AA}^2$, the fragment may not be well defined at all.

Stereochemical checks

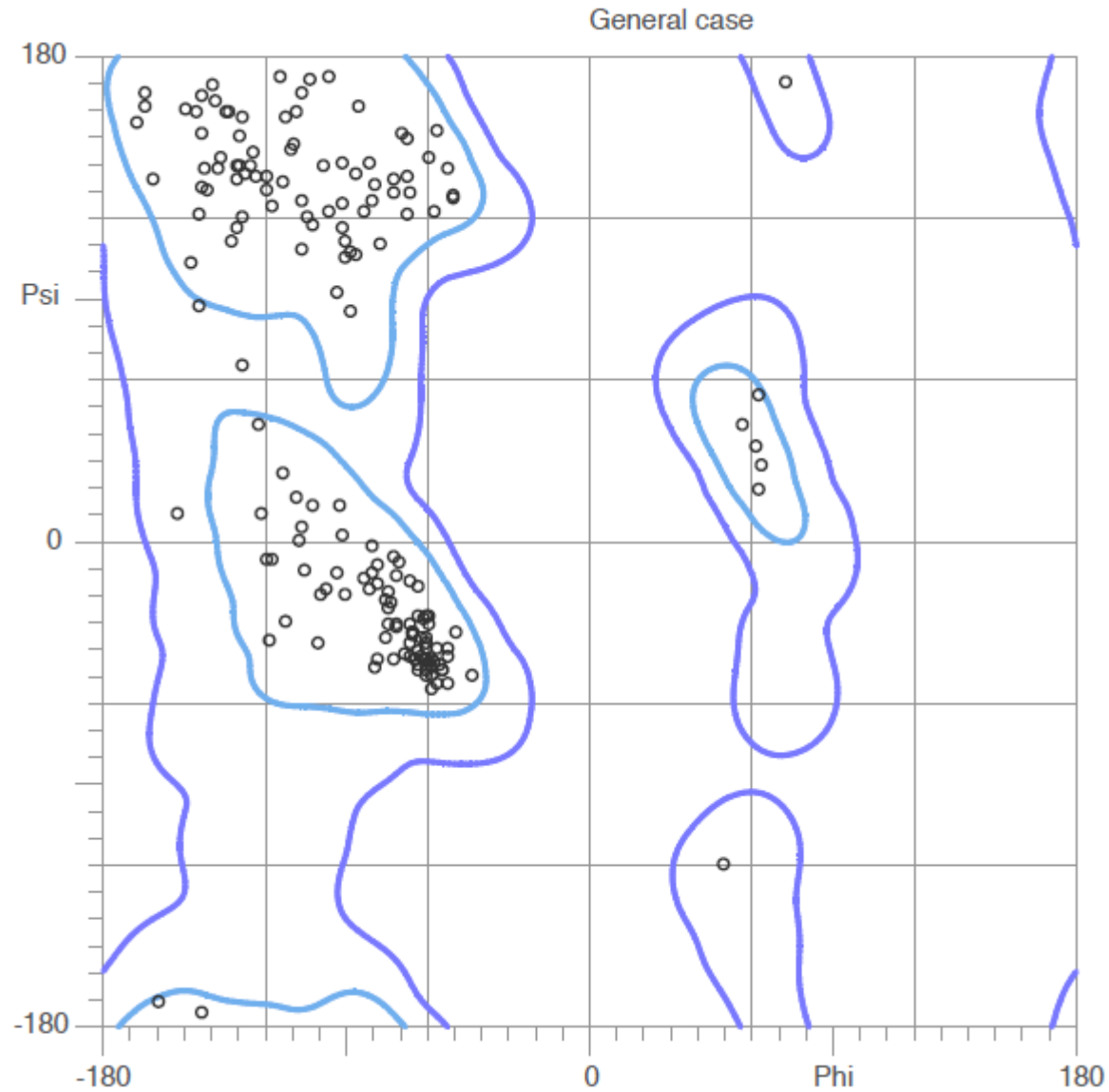
Ramachandran plot

Side-chain torsion angles

Bad contacts



MolProbity Ramachandran analysis for 2act



Validation software

Procheck

<http://www.ebi.ac.uk/thornton-srv/software/PROCHECK/>

WHATCHECK

<http://swift.cmbi.ru.nl/gv/whatcheck/>

JCSG Validation

<http://www.jcsg.org/scripts/prod/validation1.cgi>

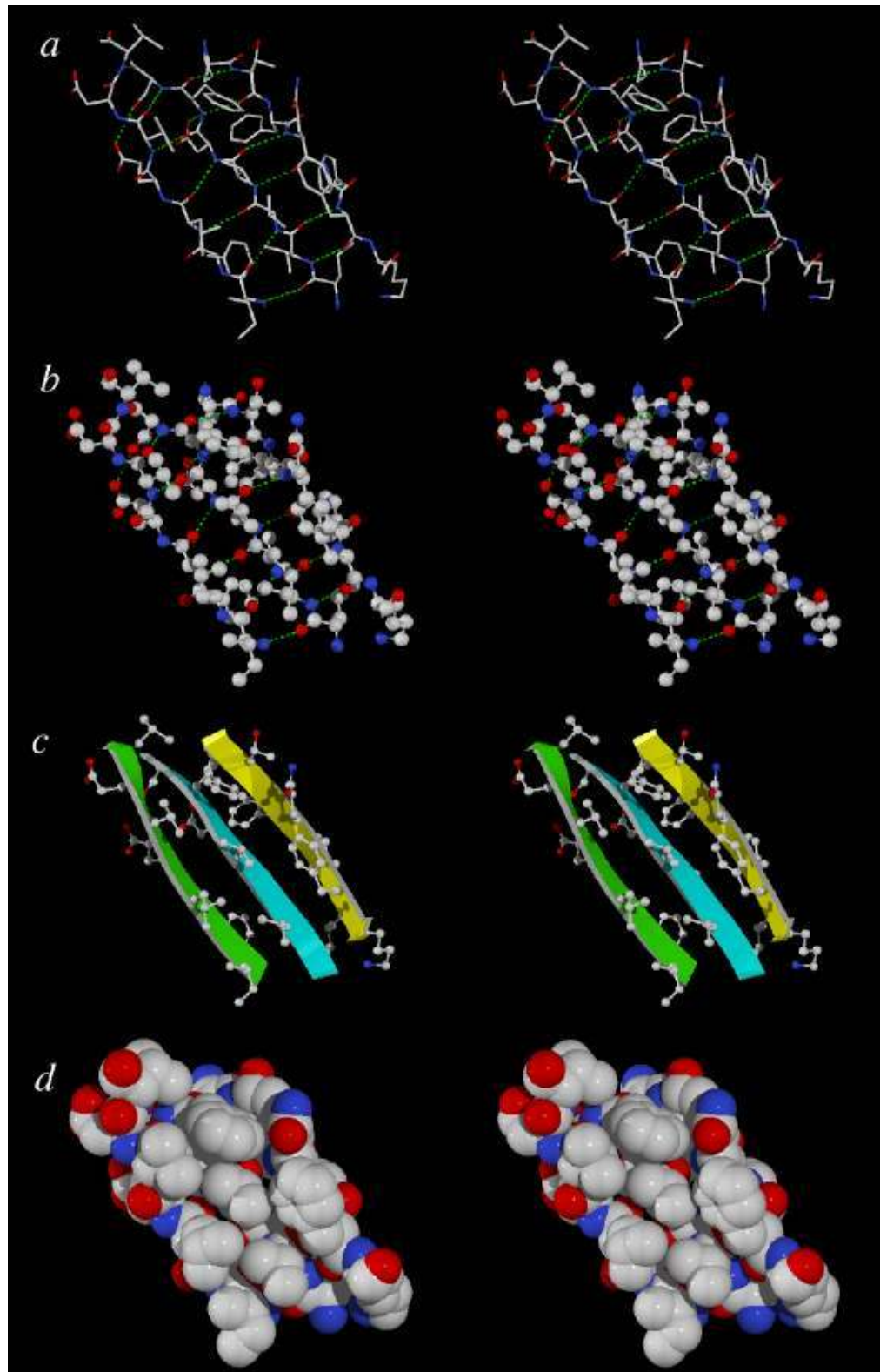
PDBeAnalysis

<http://www.ebi.ac.uk/pdbe-as/pdbevalidate/>

MolProbity

<http://molprobity.biochem.duke.edu/>

Visualization



Molecular visualization software

DeepView - Swiss

<http://spdbv.vital-it.ch/>

UCSF Chimera

<http://plato.cgl.ucsf.edu/chimera/>

Jmol

<http://jmol.sourceforge.net/>

Rasmol

<http://www.rasmol.org/>

Pymol

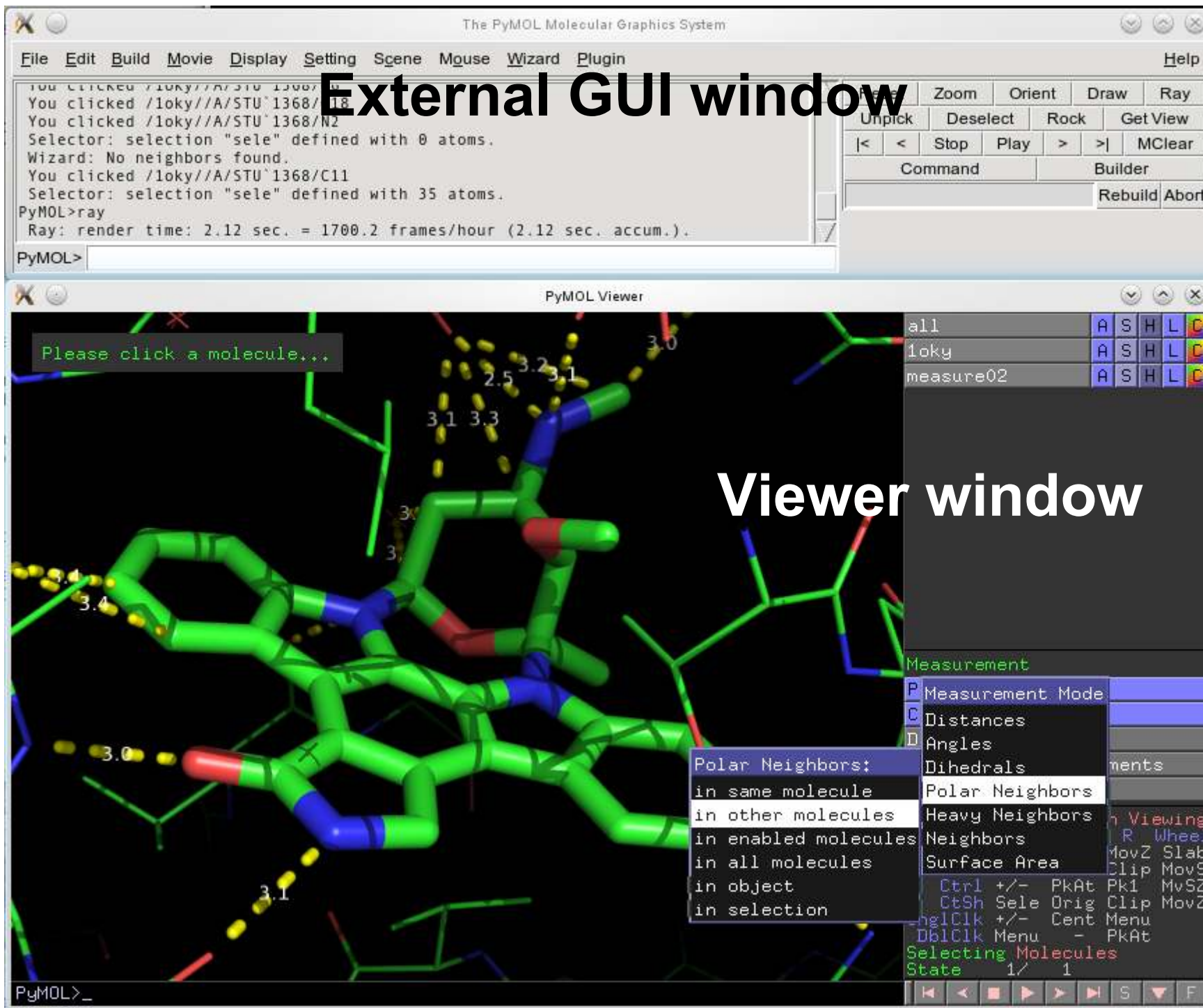
<http://www.pymol.org/>

Source code

<http://sourceforge.net/projects/pymol/>

VMD

<http://www.ks.uiuc.edu/Research/vmd/>



External GUI window

Viewer window

To learn more:
PyMOL user manual

<http://pymol.sourceforge.net/userman.pdf>

http://csbg.cnb.csic.es/Courses/Struct_2011/