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Looking at Protein Structures

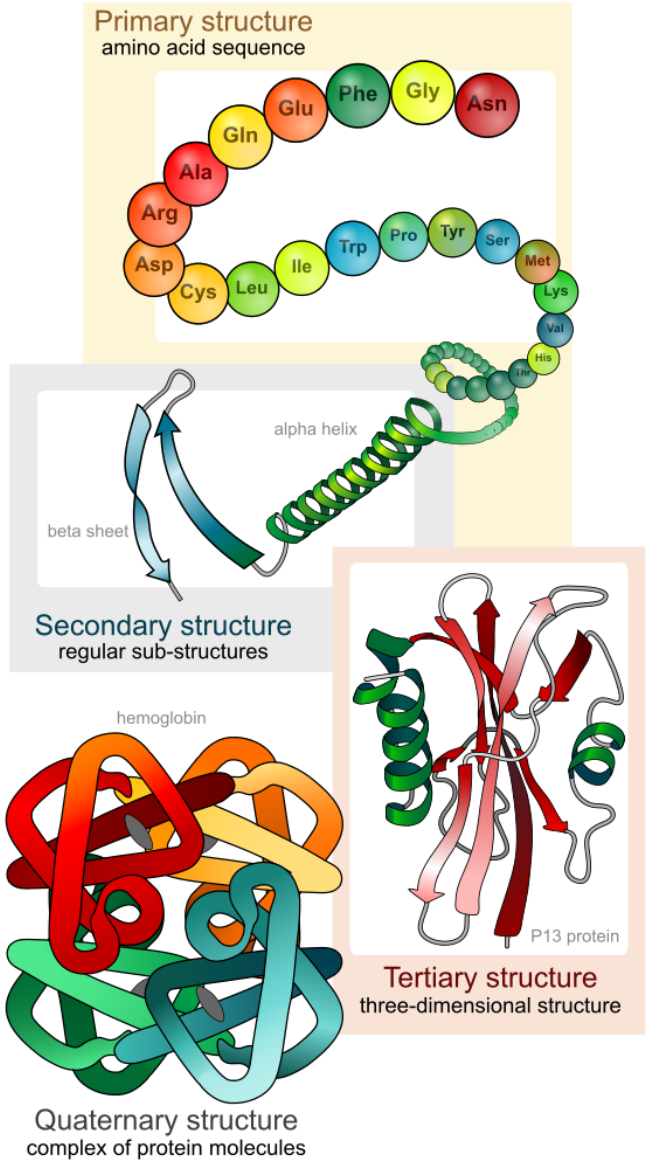
Day 8: Tuesday 29th March

This talk

- Representations of proteins
- Mapping properties onto proteins
- Accessing protein structures
- Software for viewing protein structures
- Analysing structural similarity
- Inspecting protein interfaces

Recap of protein structure

- Proteins are polymers of amino acids
- The sequence of a proteins determines how it folds
- Proteins adopt regular secondary structure
- The arrangement of secondary structural motifs determines protein 3D structure
- Some proteins oligomerise or interact with ligands that are integral to their structure



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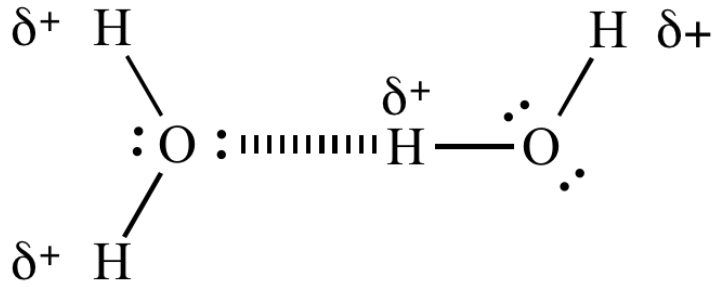

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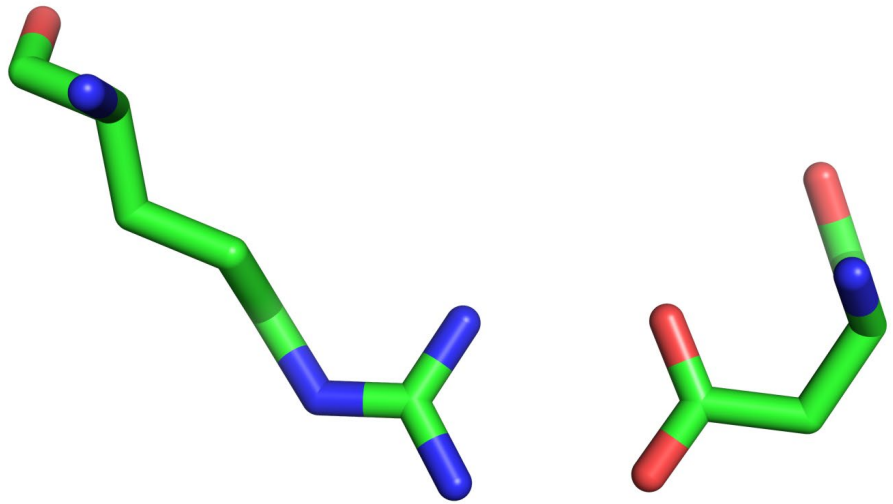

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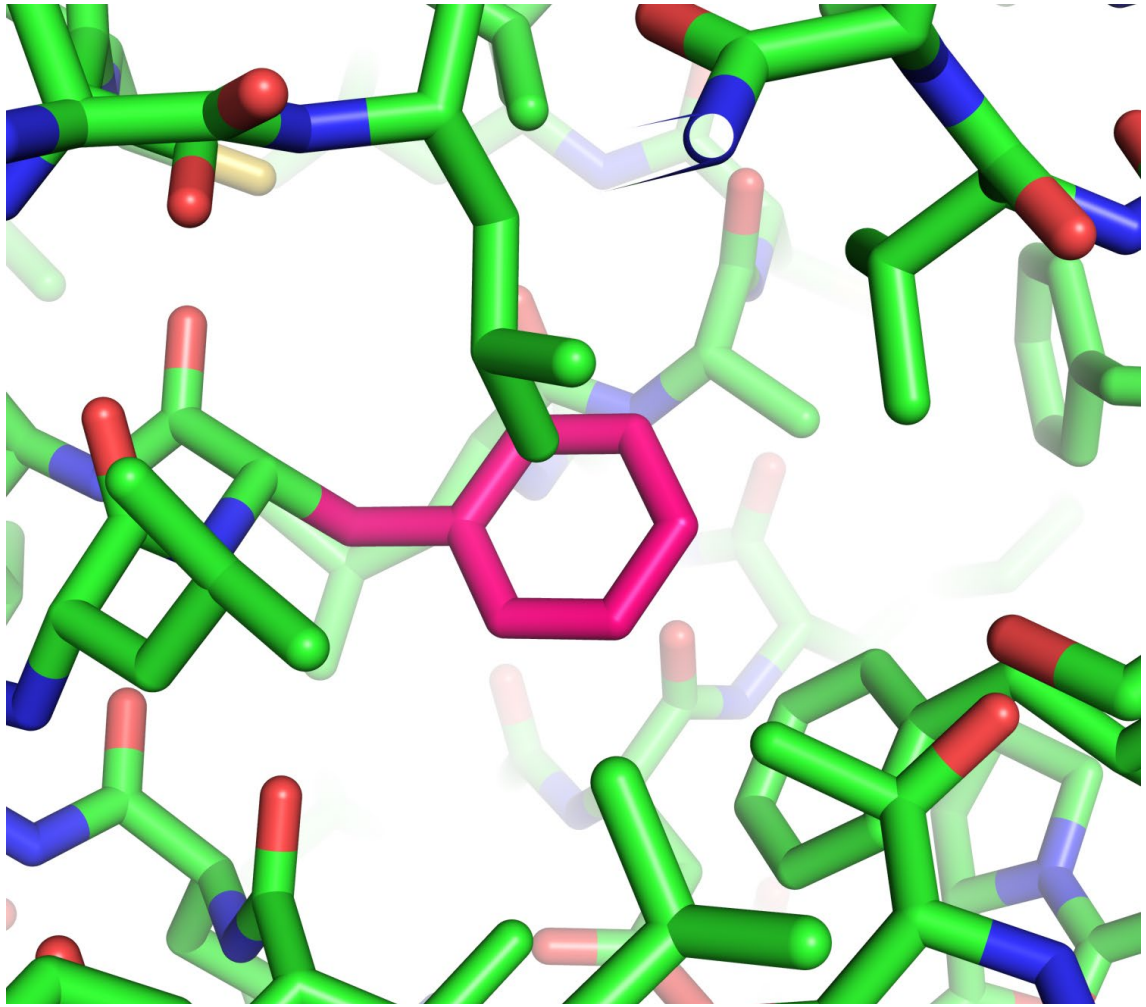
  - Van der Waals interactions
- Hiding hydrophobic residues from water in protein core drives folding



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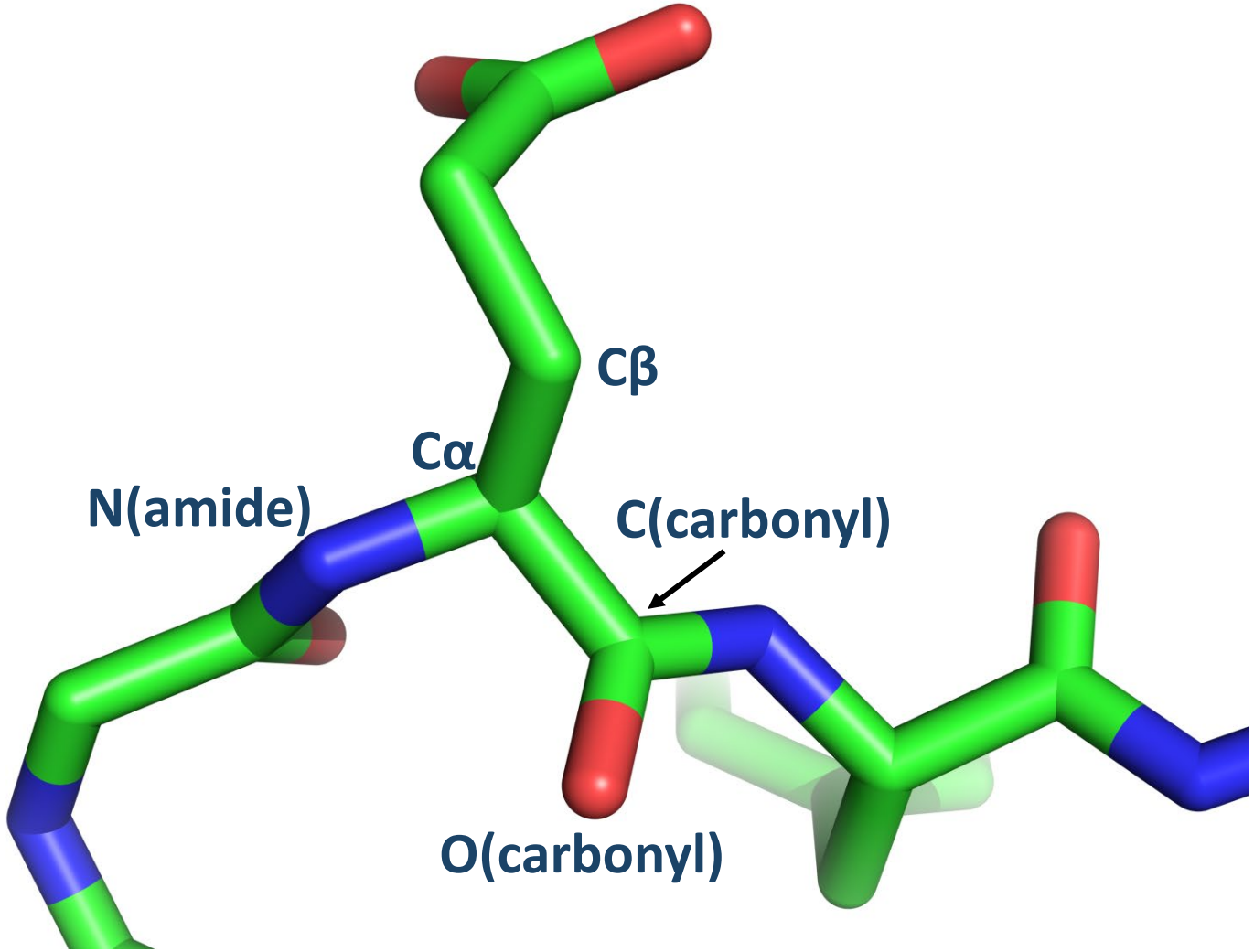

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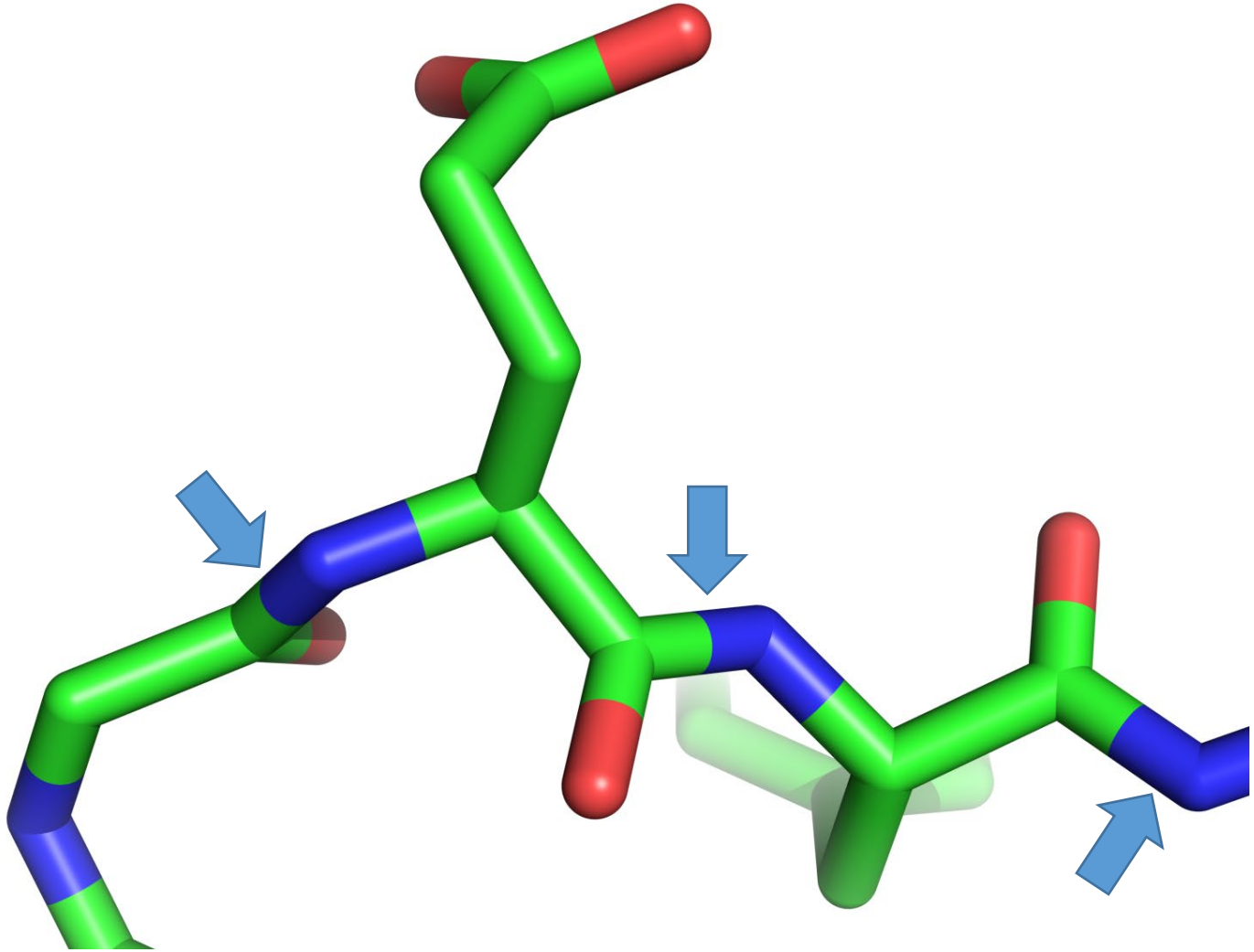

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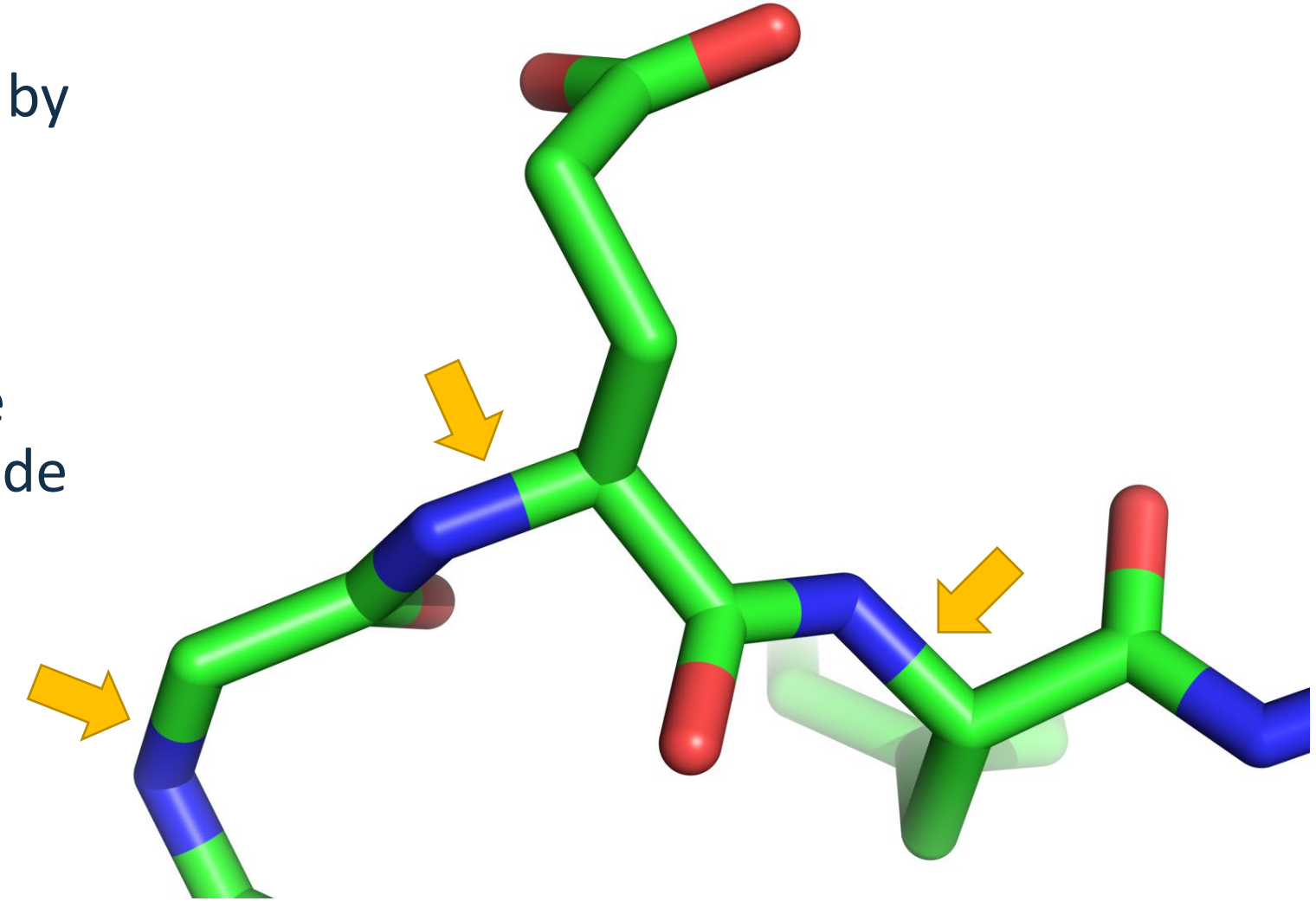

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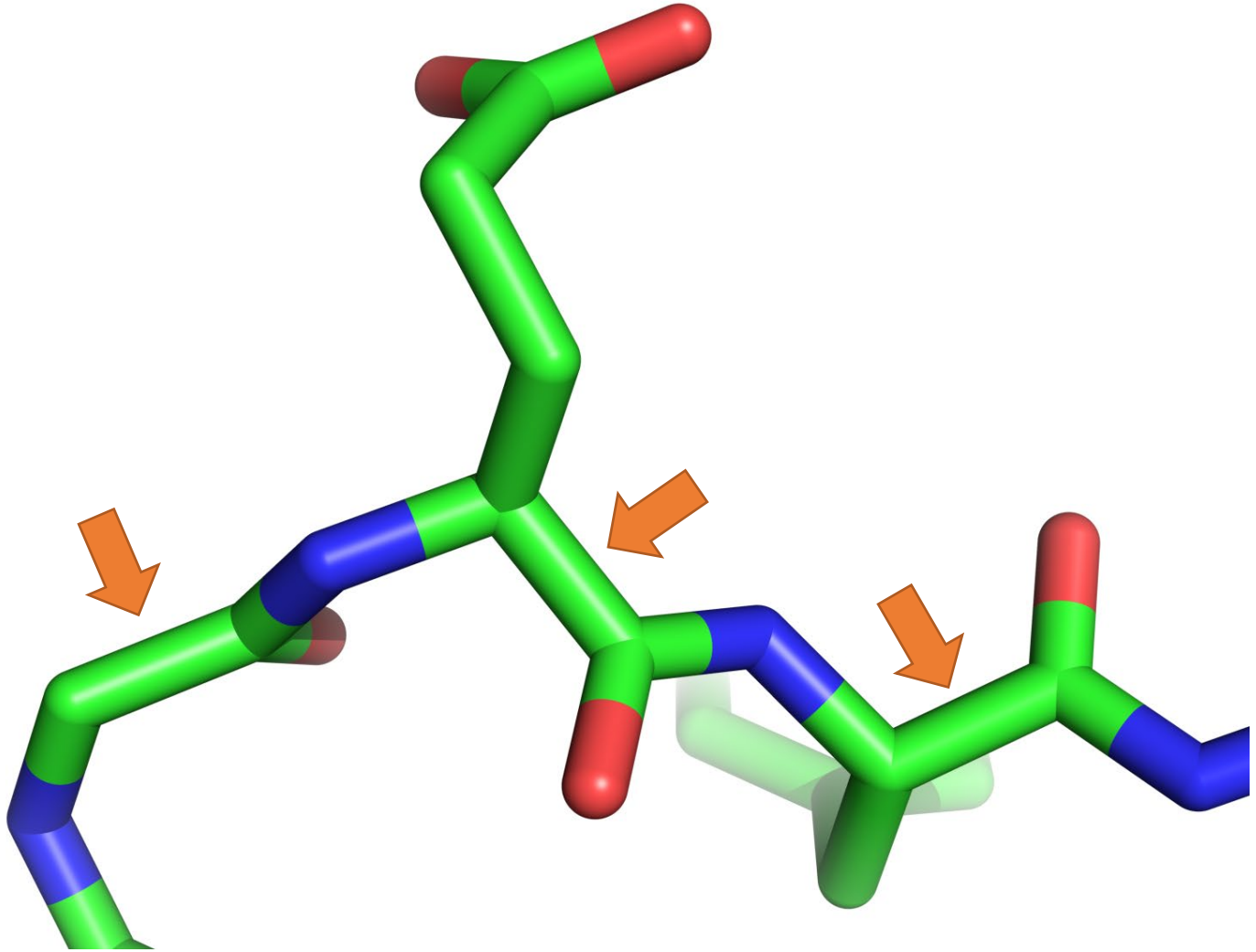

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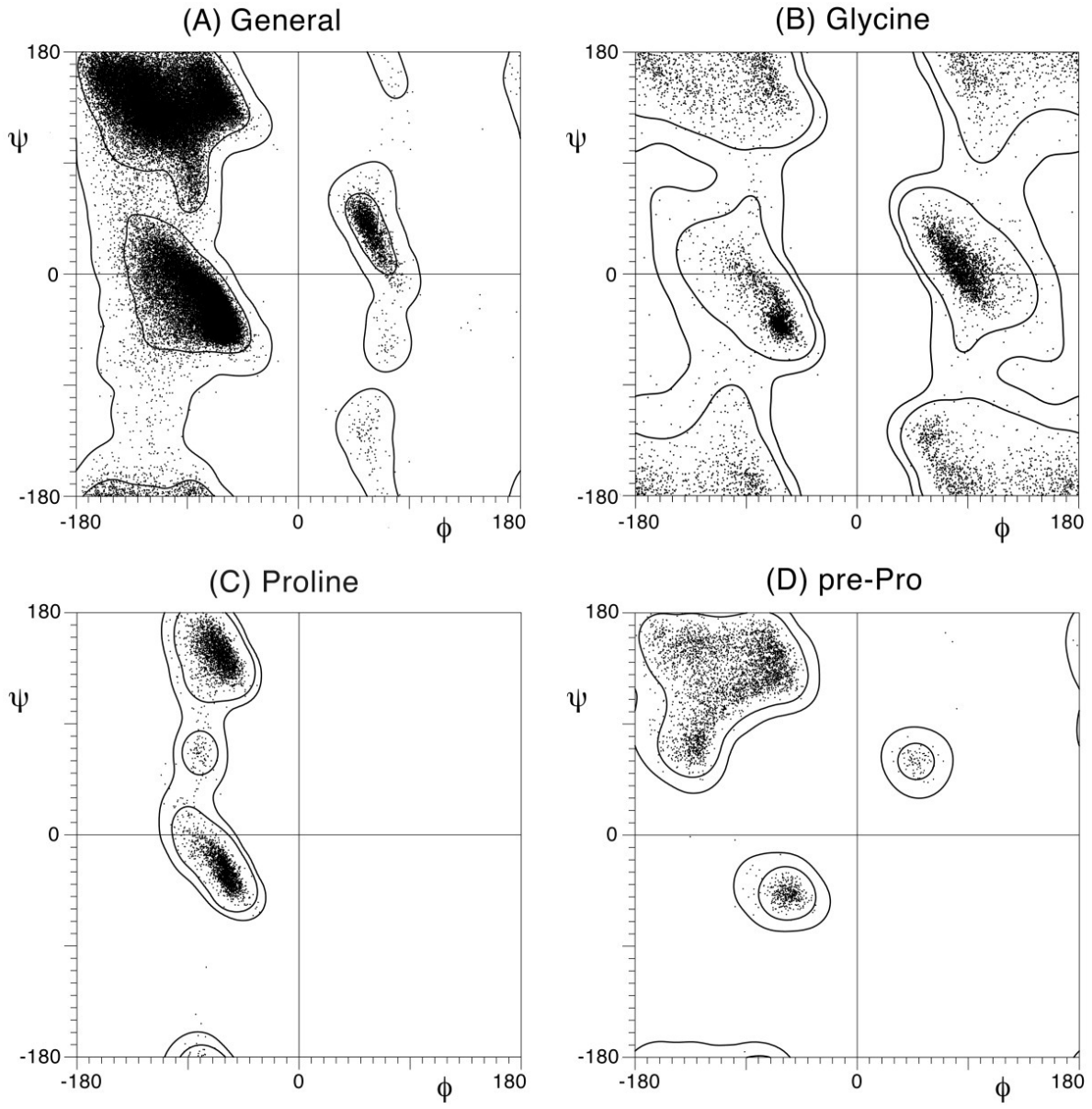

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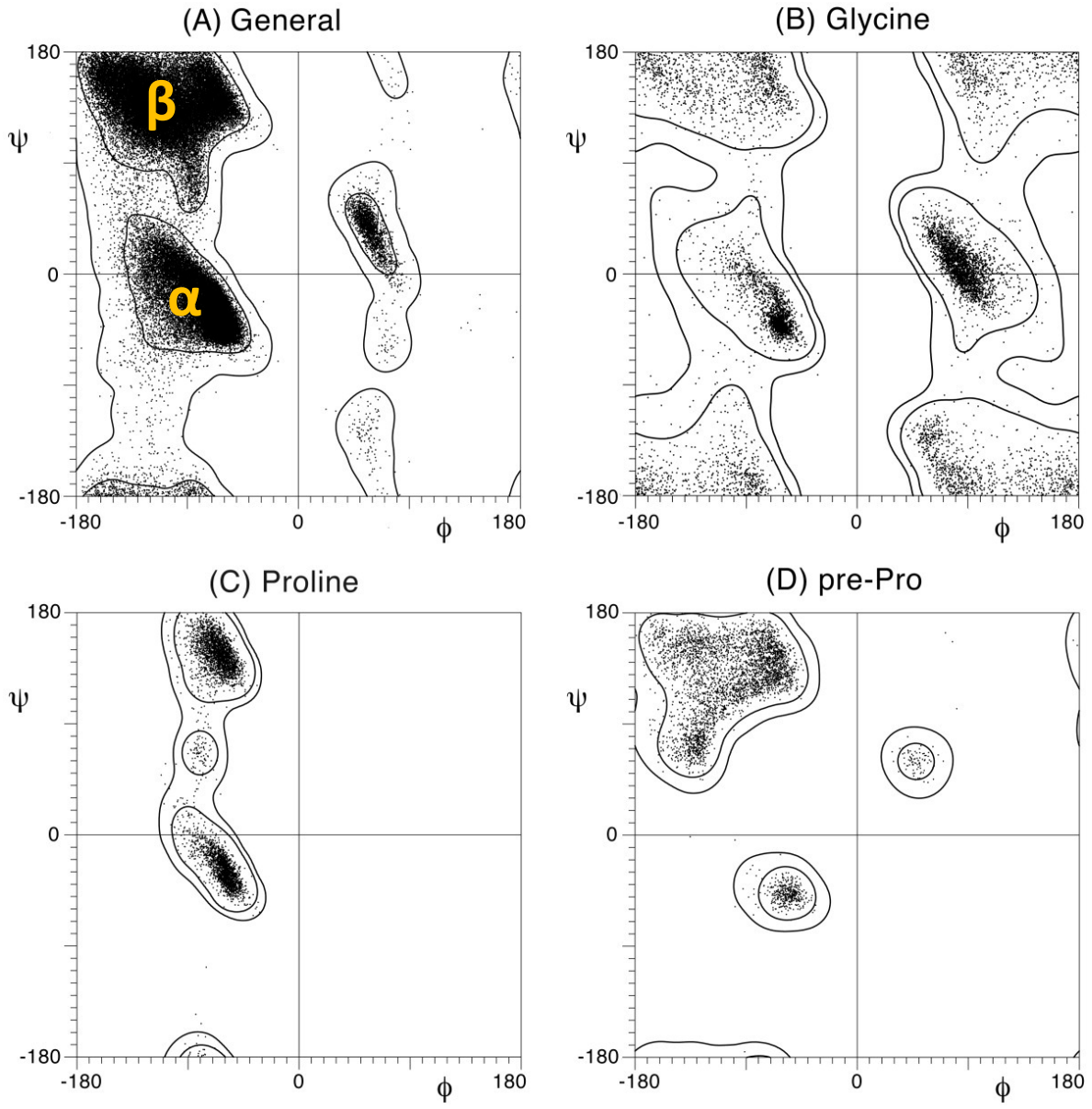

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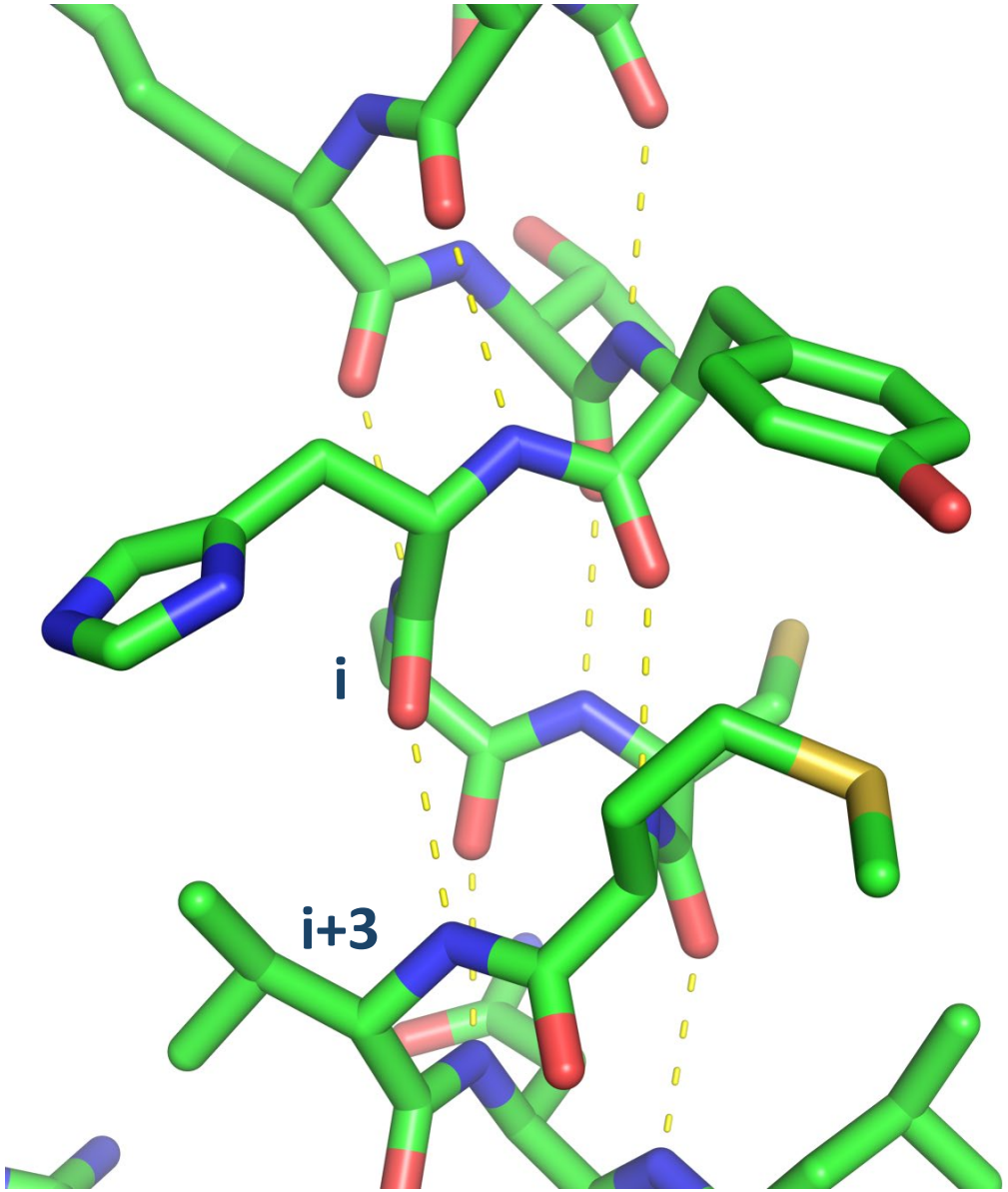

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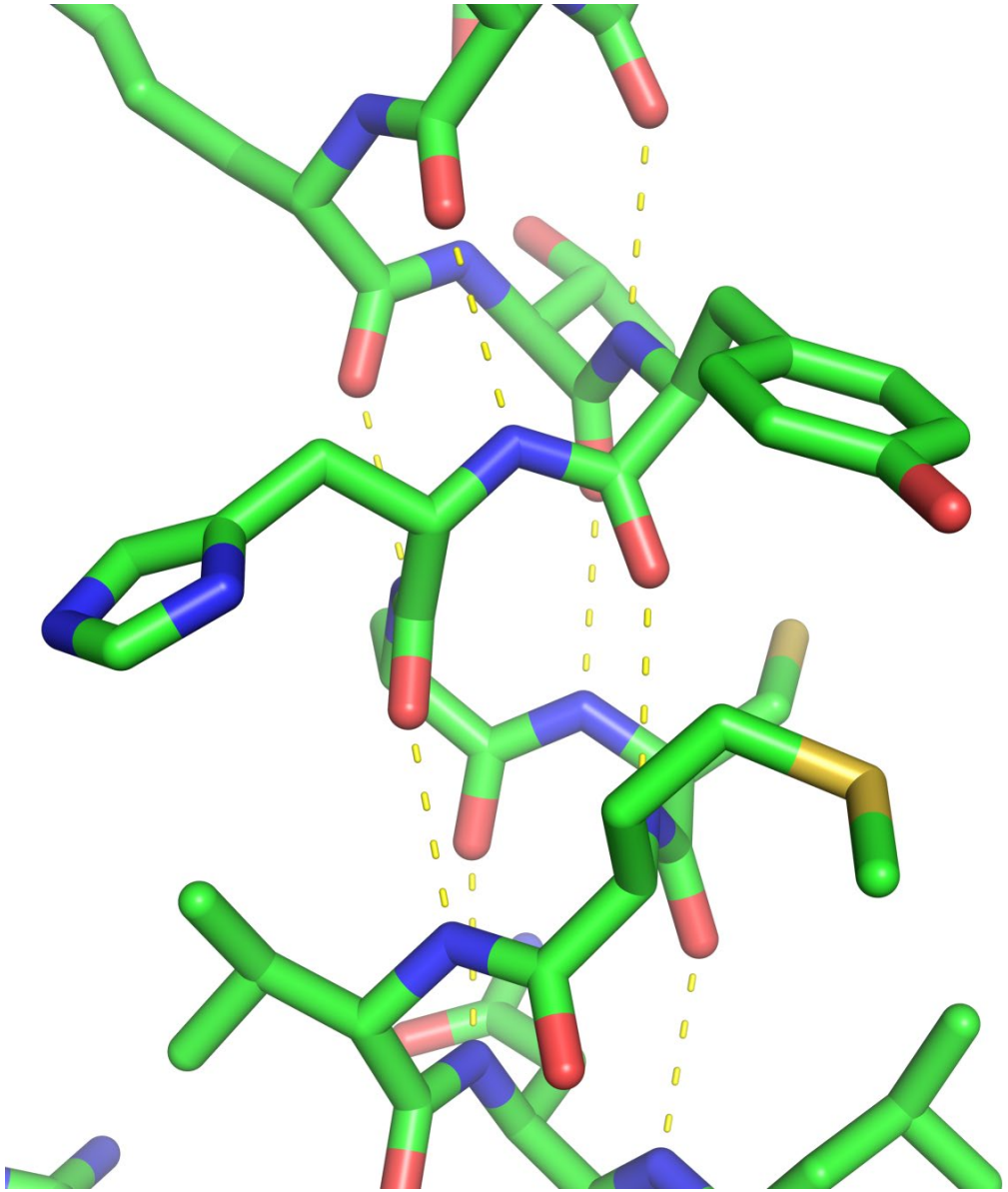
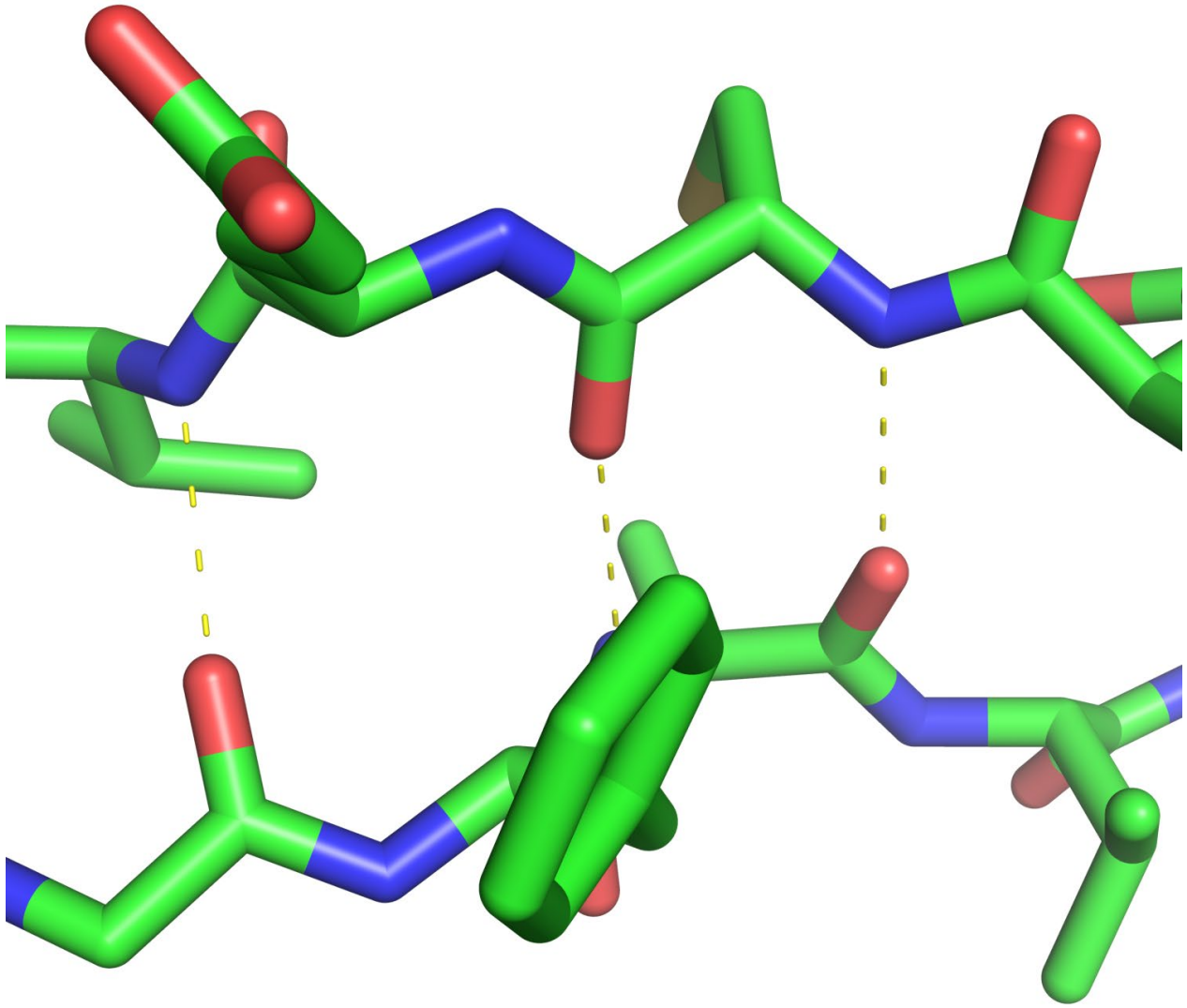


β-sheet

- Hydrogen bonds between adjacent **strands**
- **Parallel:** strands in same direction
- **Anti-parallel** strands in opposite directions



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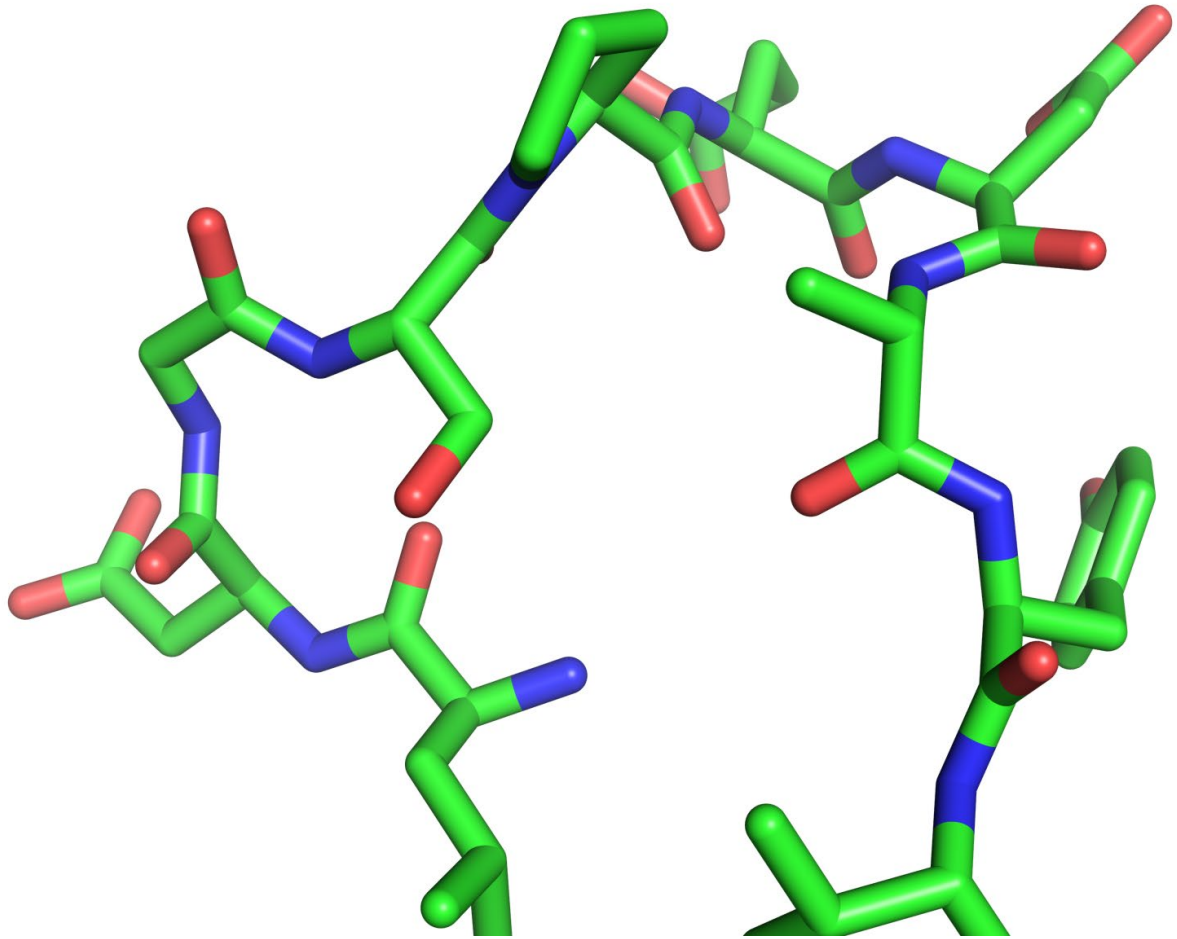

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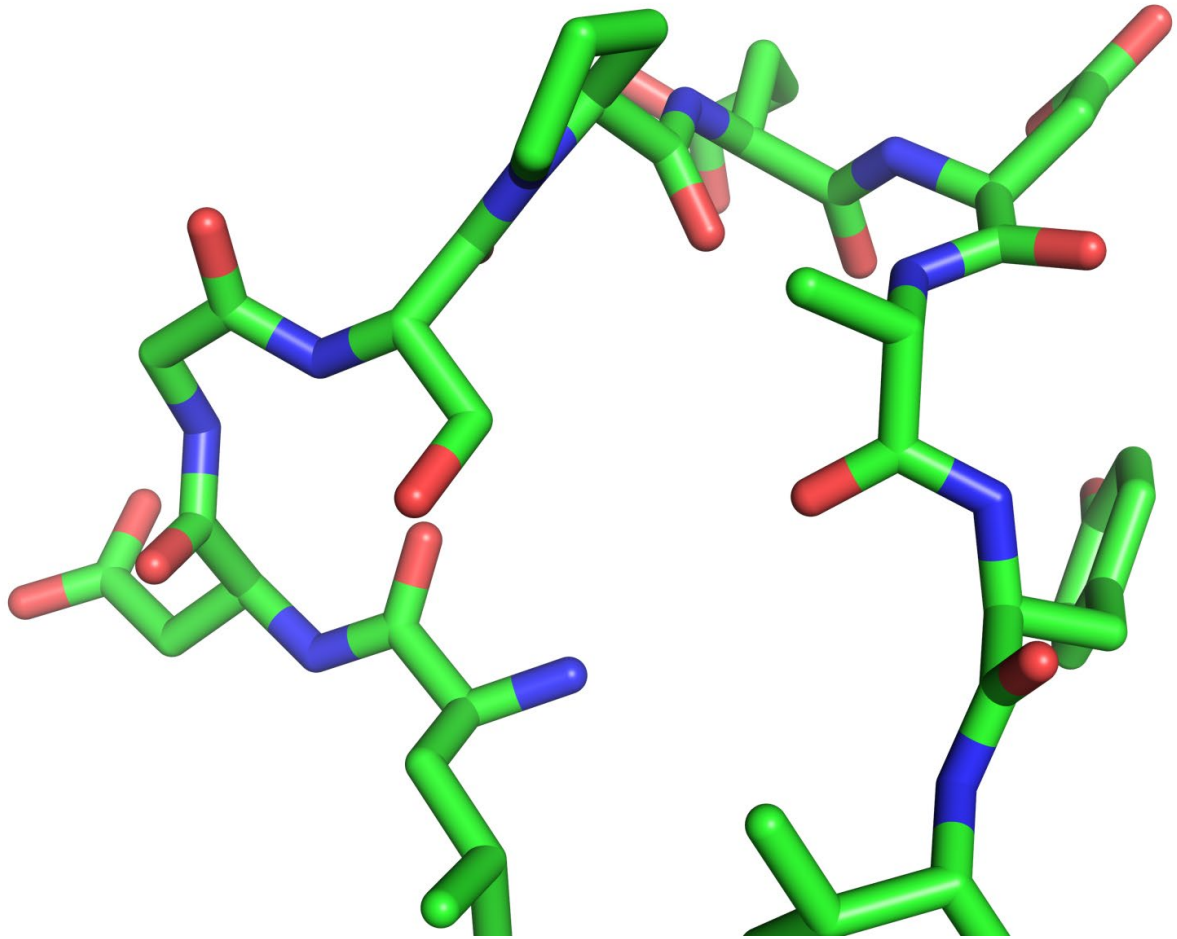
- *Some regions of proteins have no intrinsic structure*
  - **Adopt conformation** upon binding to partner molecules
  - **Biomolecular condensates** (membrane-less organelles)



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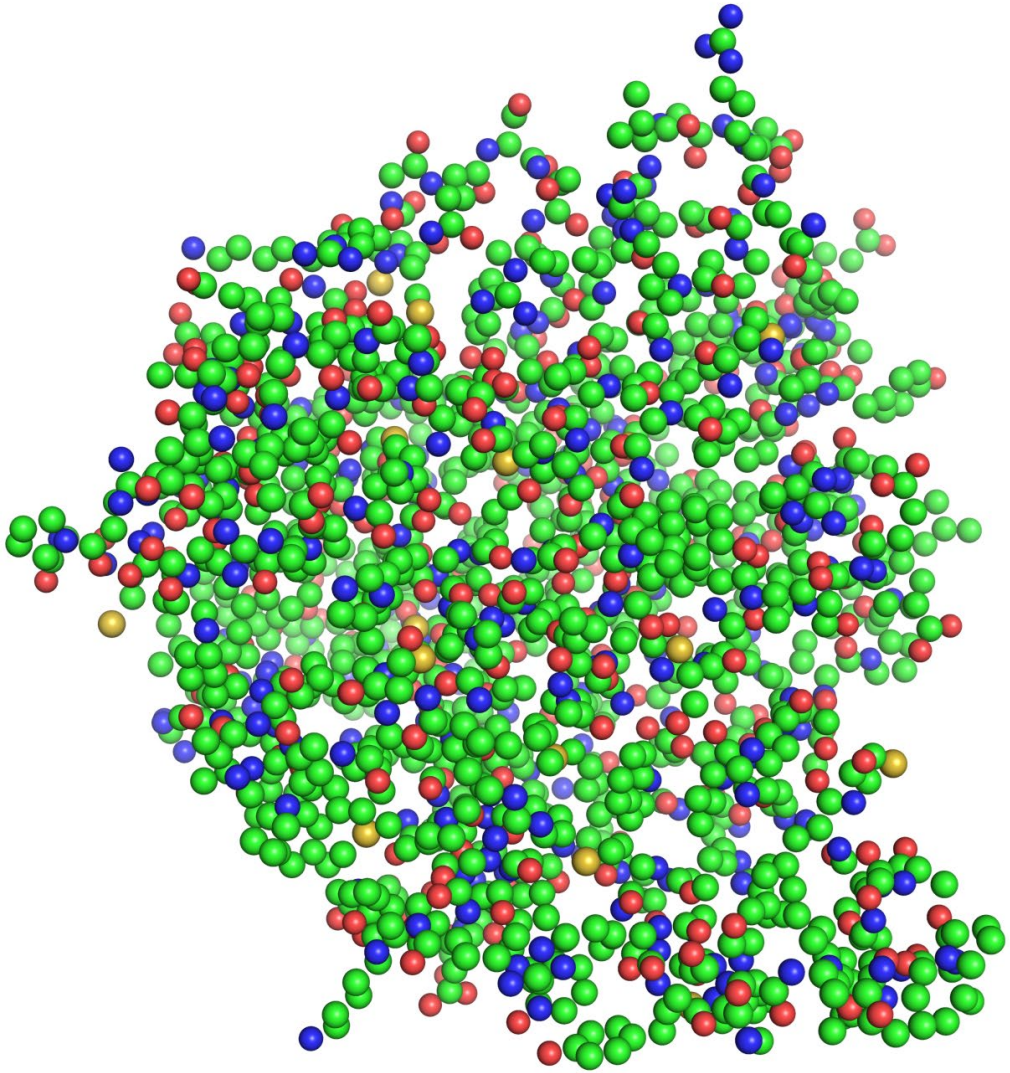

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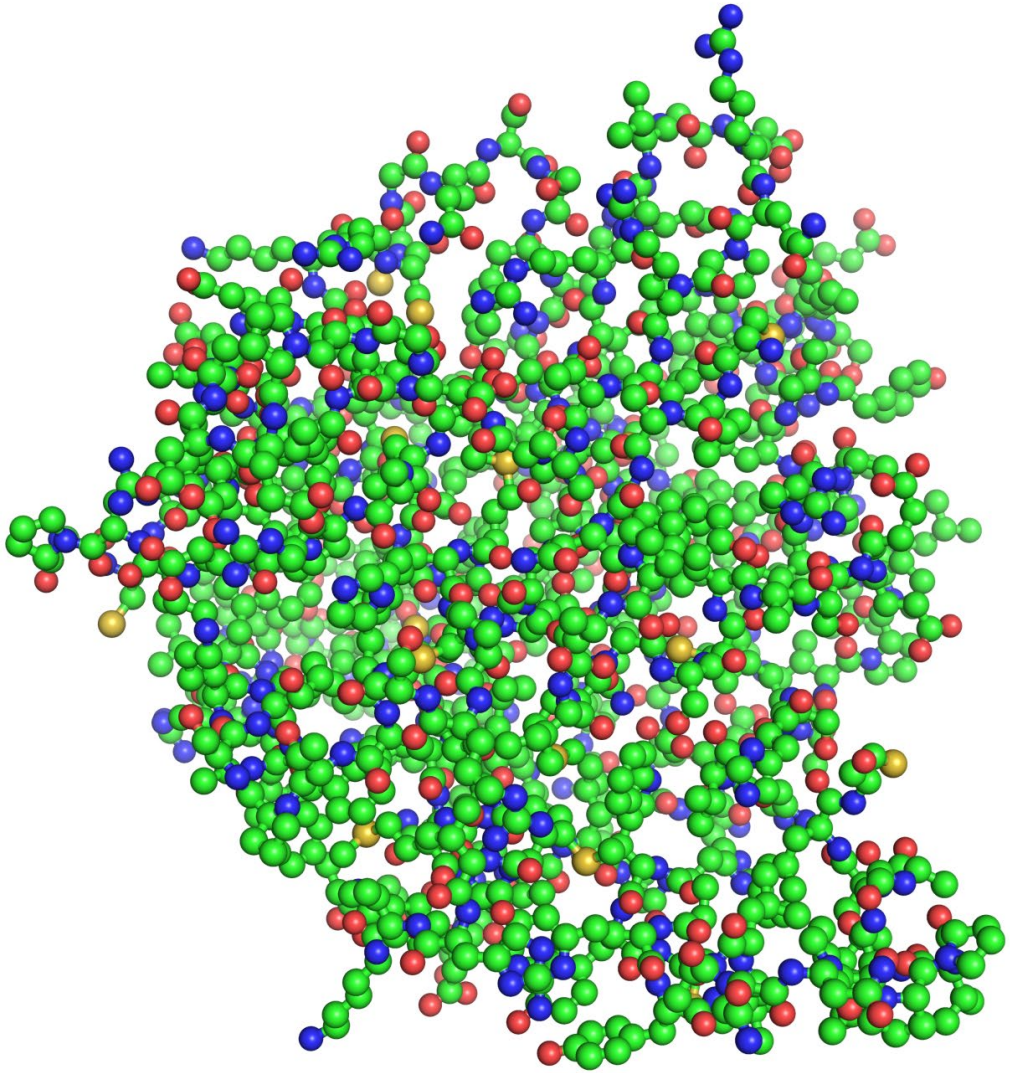

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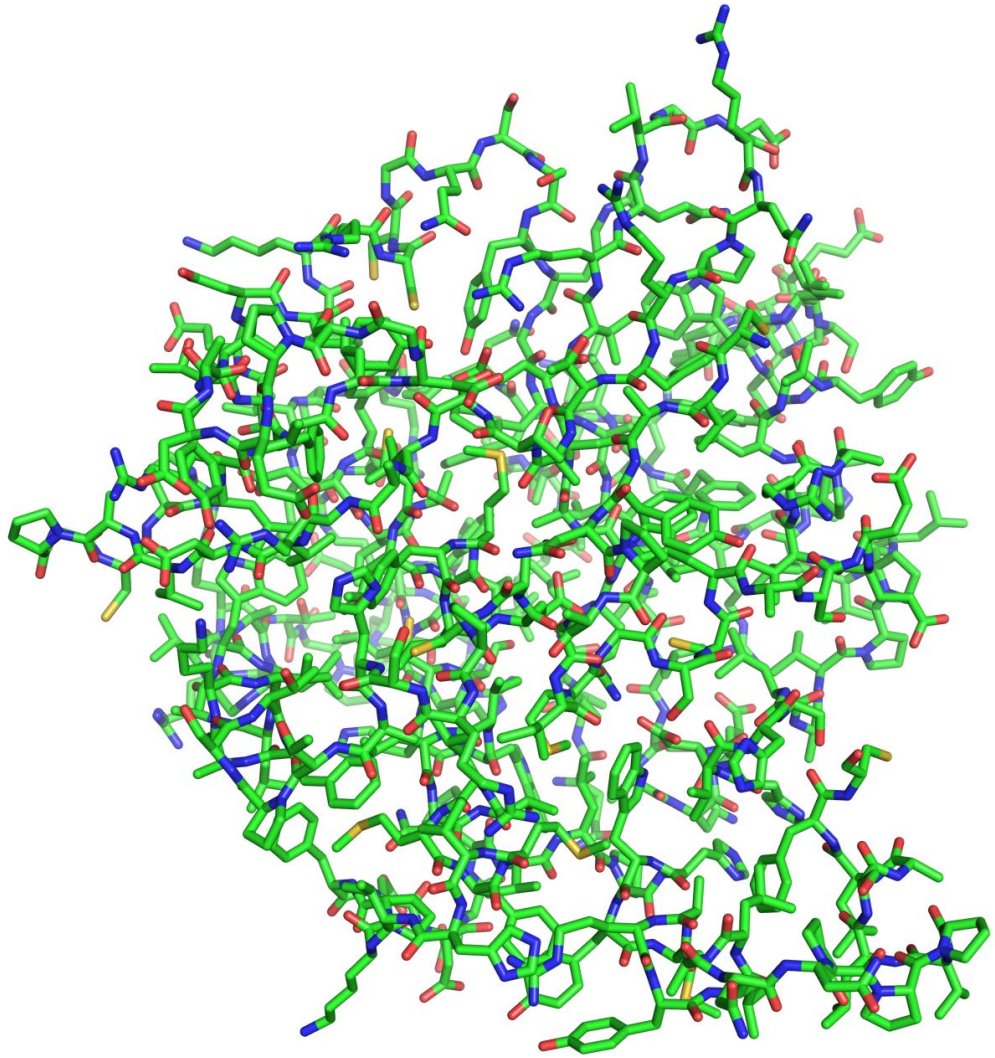

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- And even better if you colour as a rainbow
  - **Blue** at N terminus to **red** at C terminus

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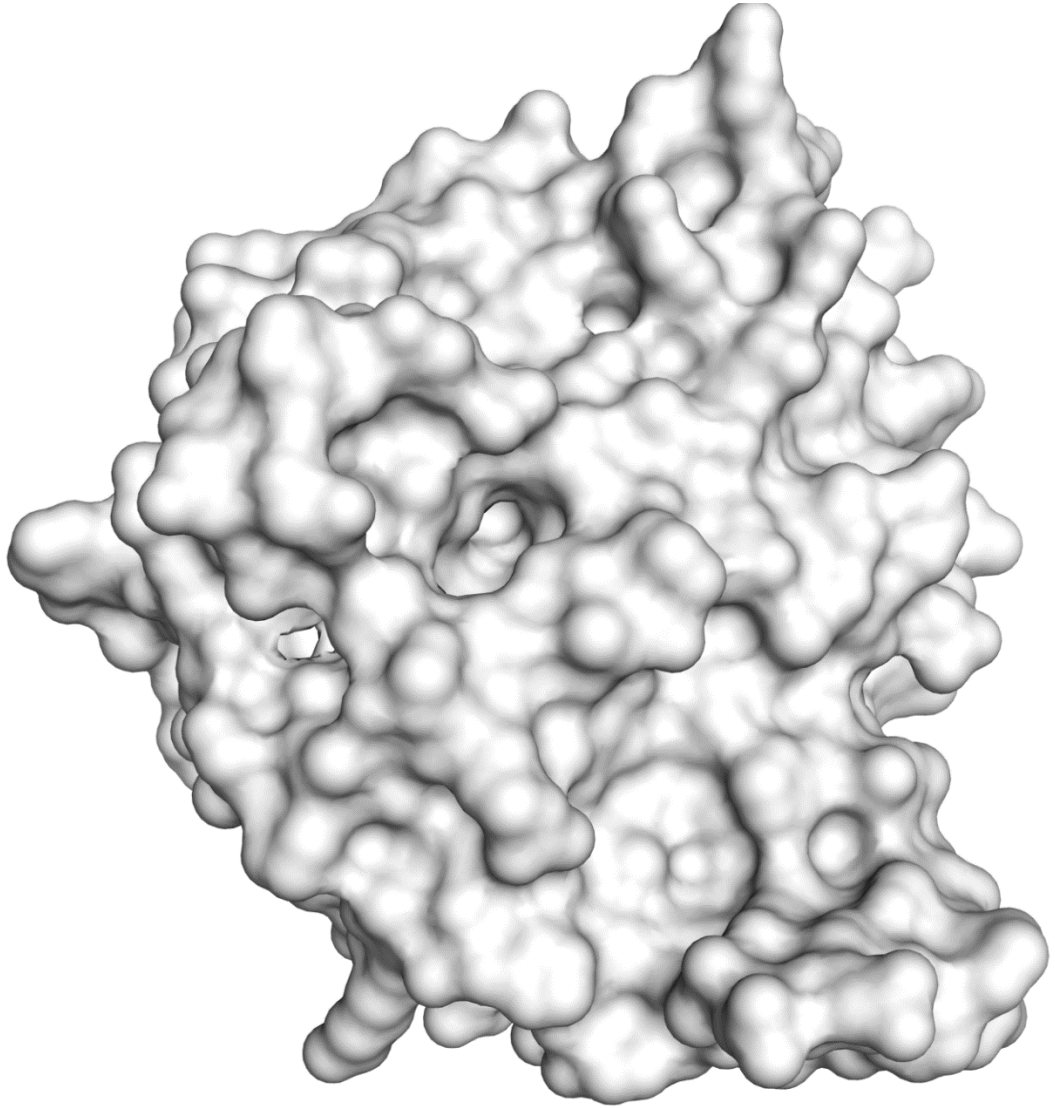

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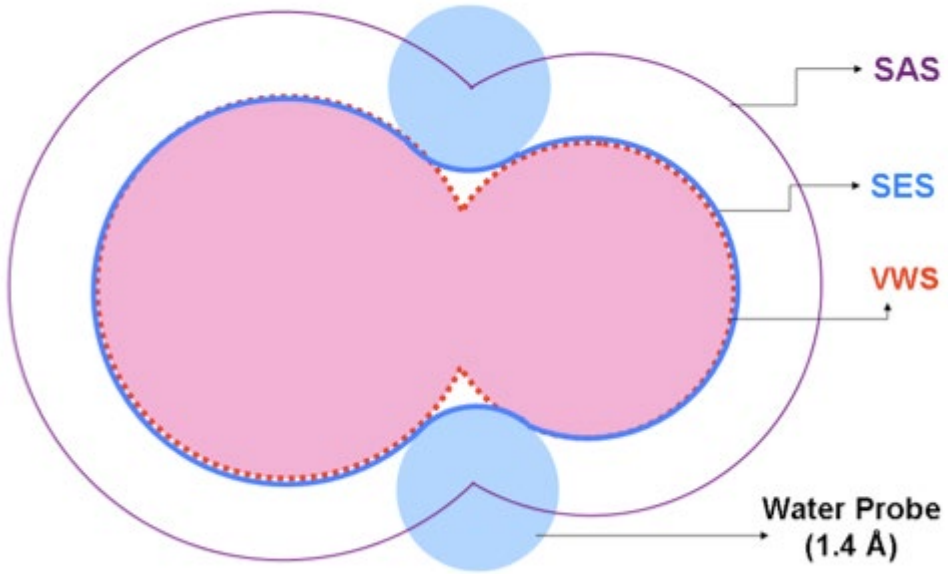


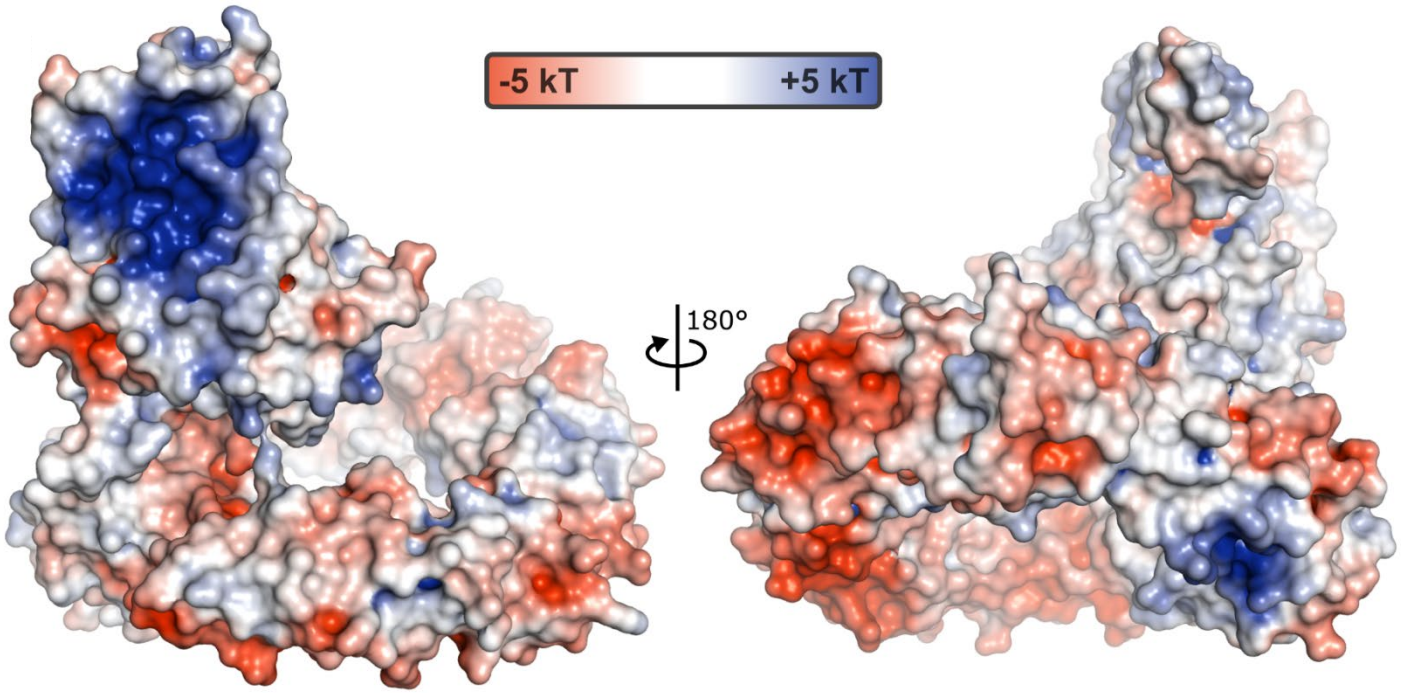
SAS: Solvent-accessible surface
SES: Molecular surface (solvent-excluded surface)
VWS: Van der Waals surface

Image: Pengyu Ren lab, UT Austin (https://biomol.bme.utexas.edu/wiki/index.php/ABS)

Surface representations

Surface representations – Electrostatic potential

- Can map the electrostatic potential of a protein onto its molecular surface
  - **Blue** = basic = positive charge
  - **Red** = acidic = negative charge
- Understanding protein electrostatic charge can inform biology
  - Long-range interactions between macromolecules
  - Interaction patches for charged small molecules



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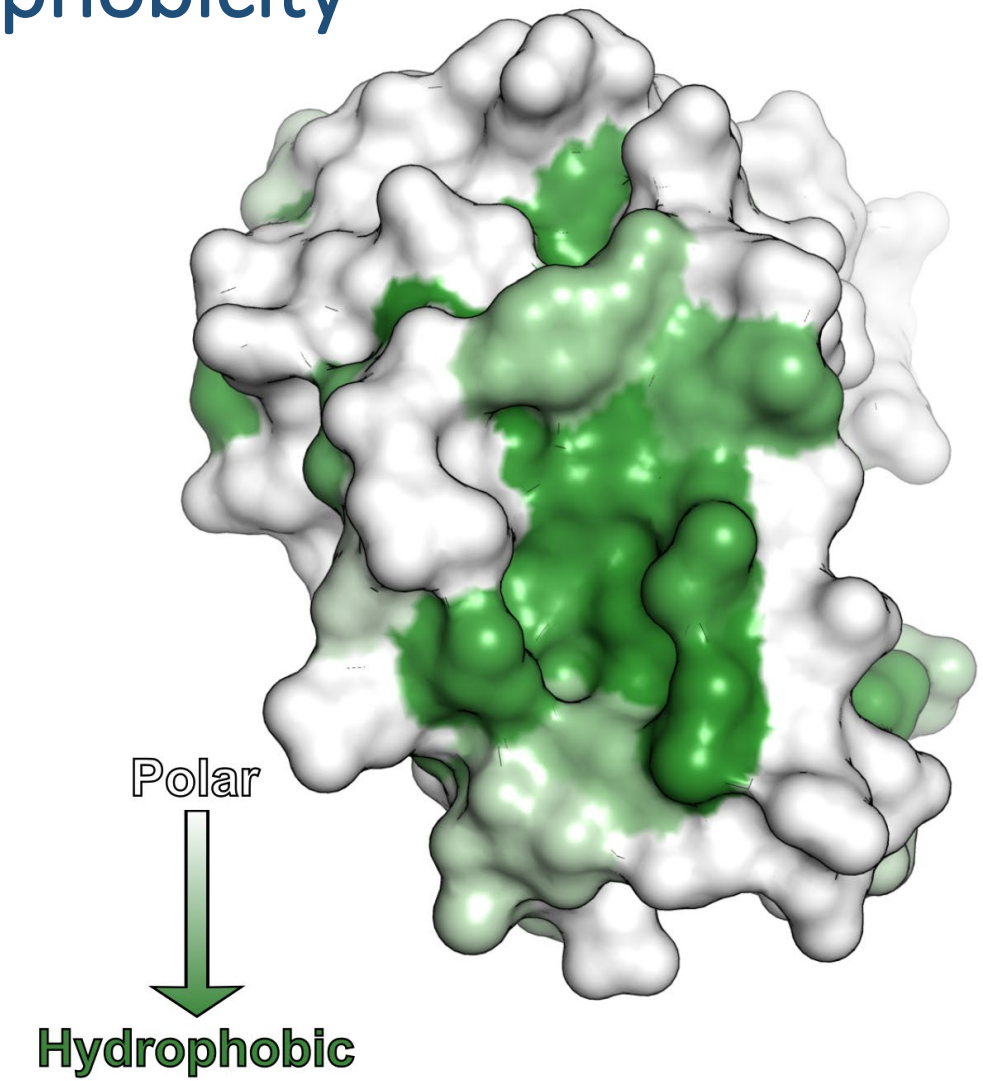

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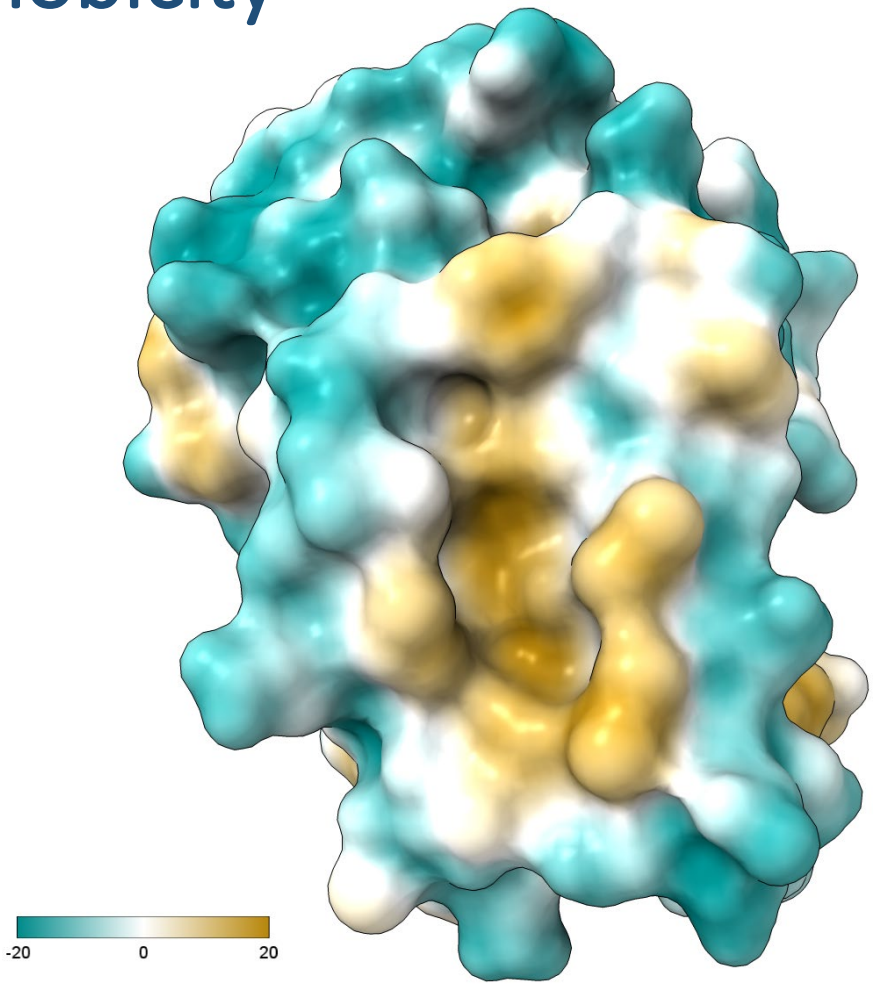
  - Slightly more sophisticated, per-atom potential



Protein Data Bank (PDB)

- Worldwide repository of biomolecular structural data
  - Established in 1971
- Hold both the atomic models plus the experimental data (maps) used to generate these models
- Hosted by three different institutions:
  - RCSB: https://www.rcsb.org/
  - EBI: https://www.ebi.ac.uk/pdbe/
  - PDBj: https://pdbj.org/
  - Each site has different tools and search, but the underlying data is the same

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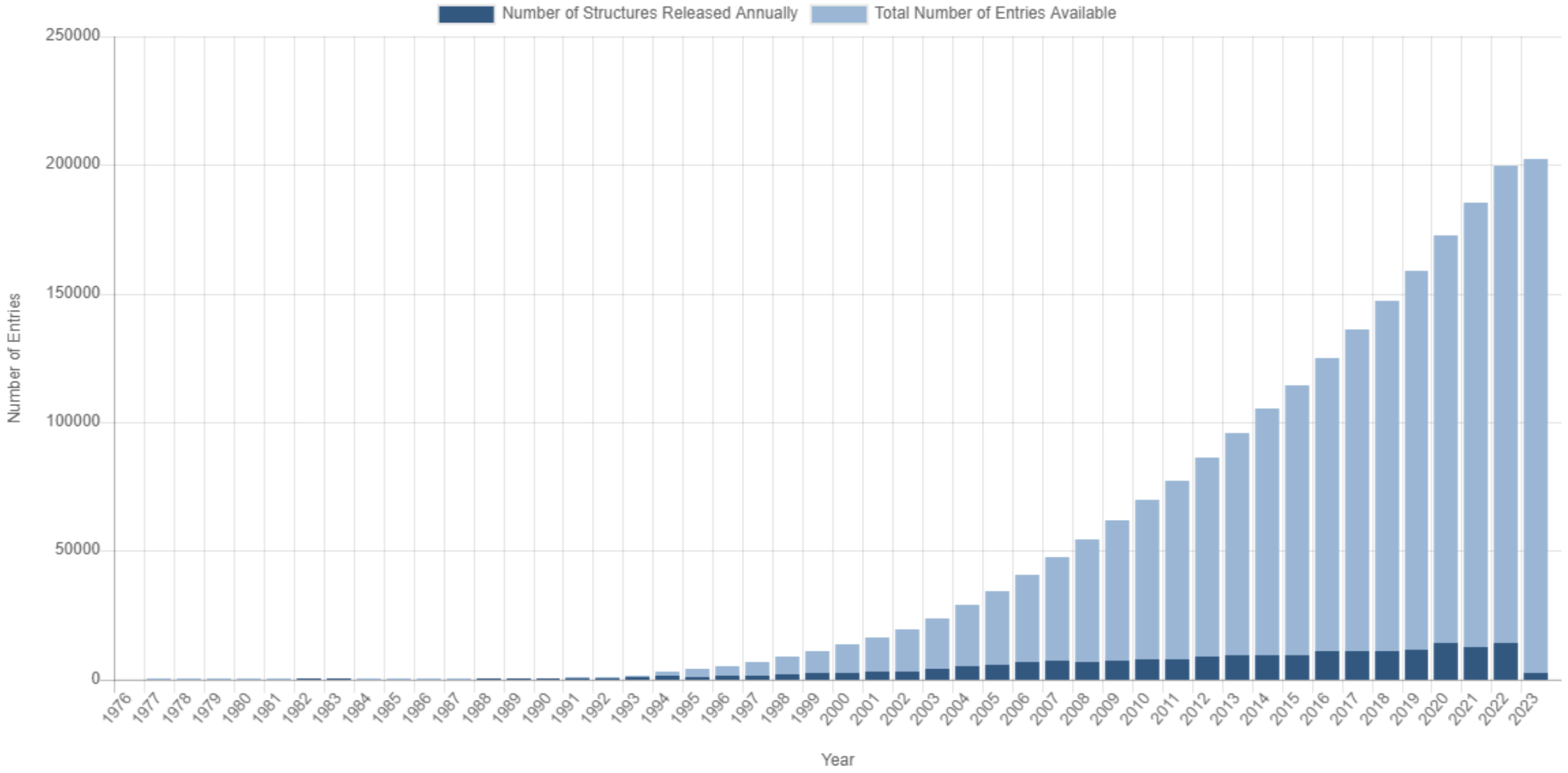

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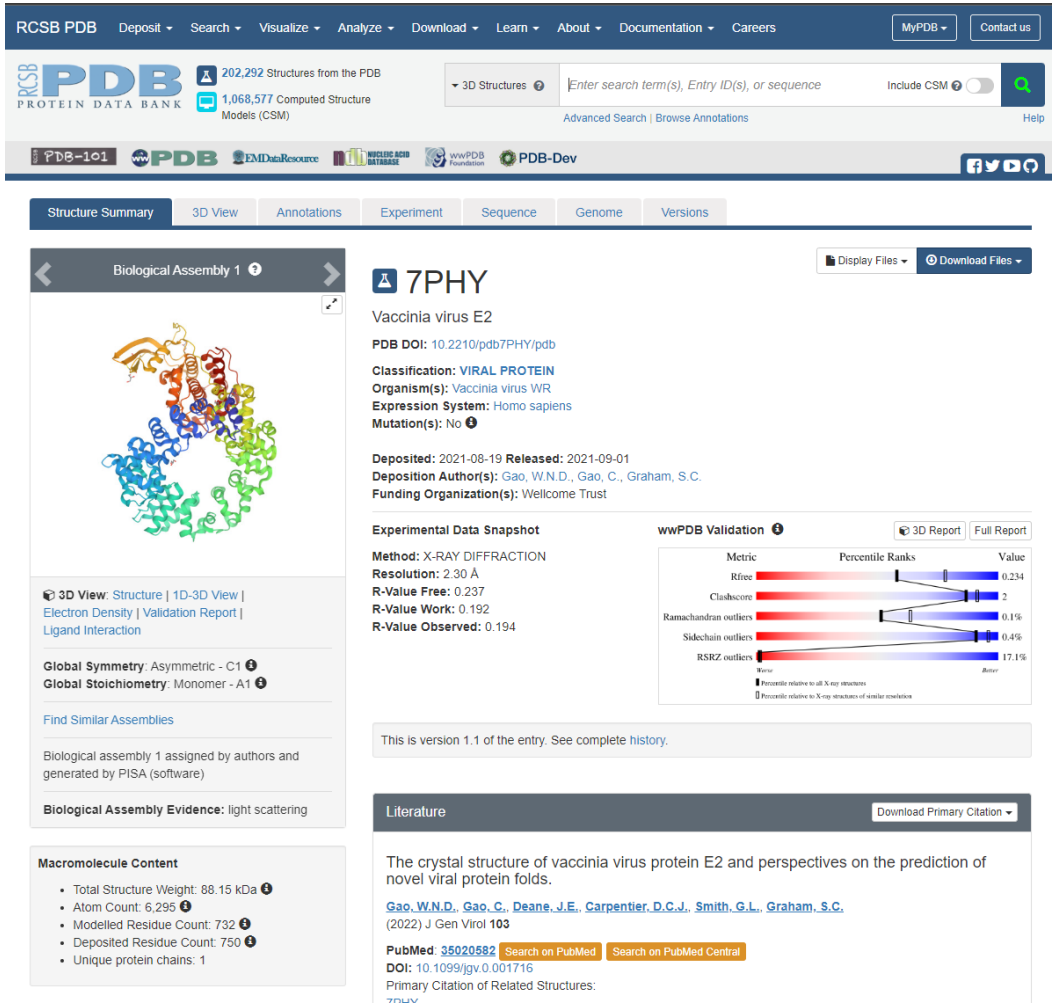

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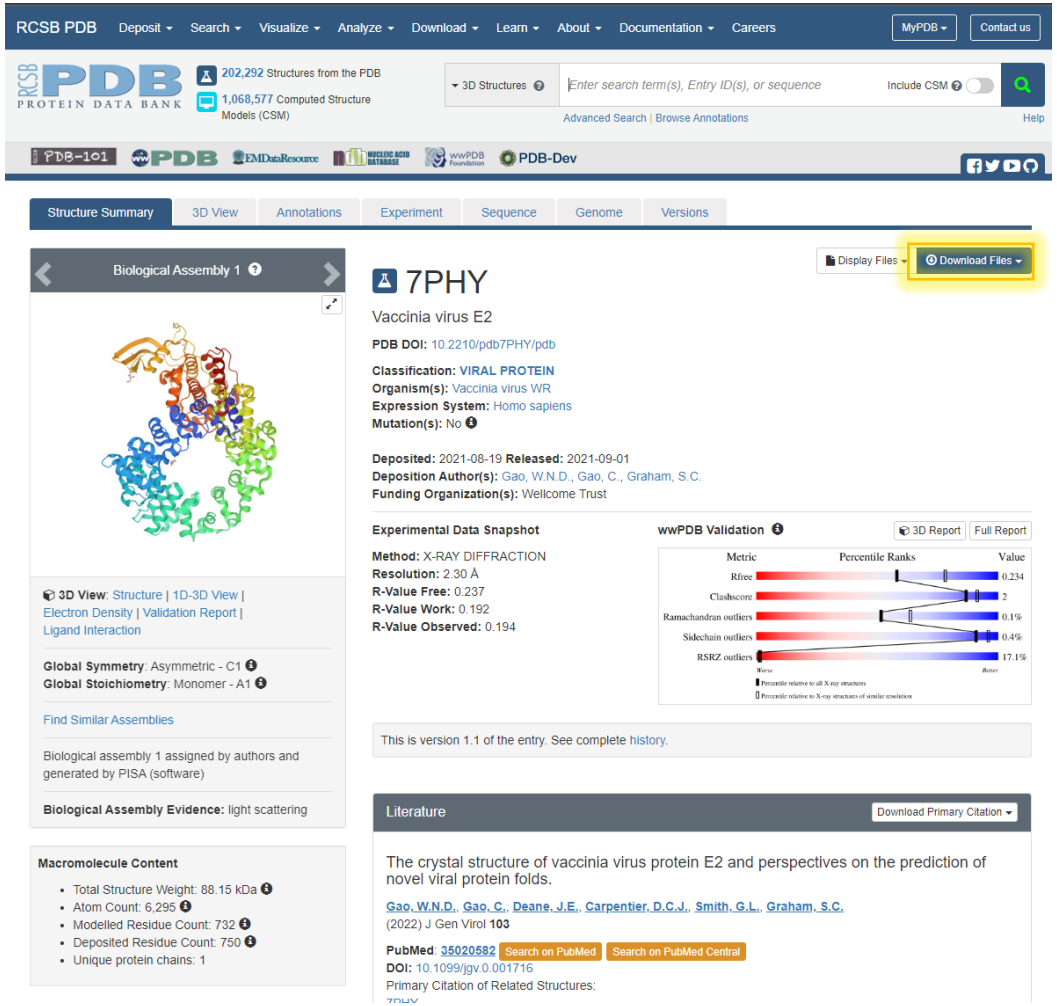

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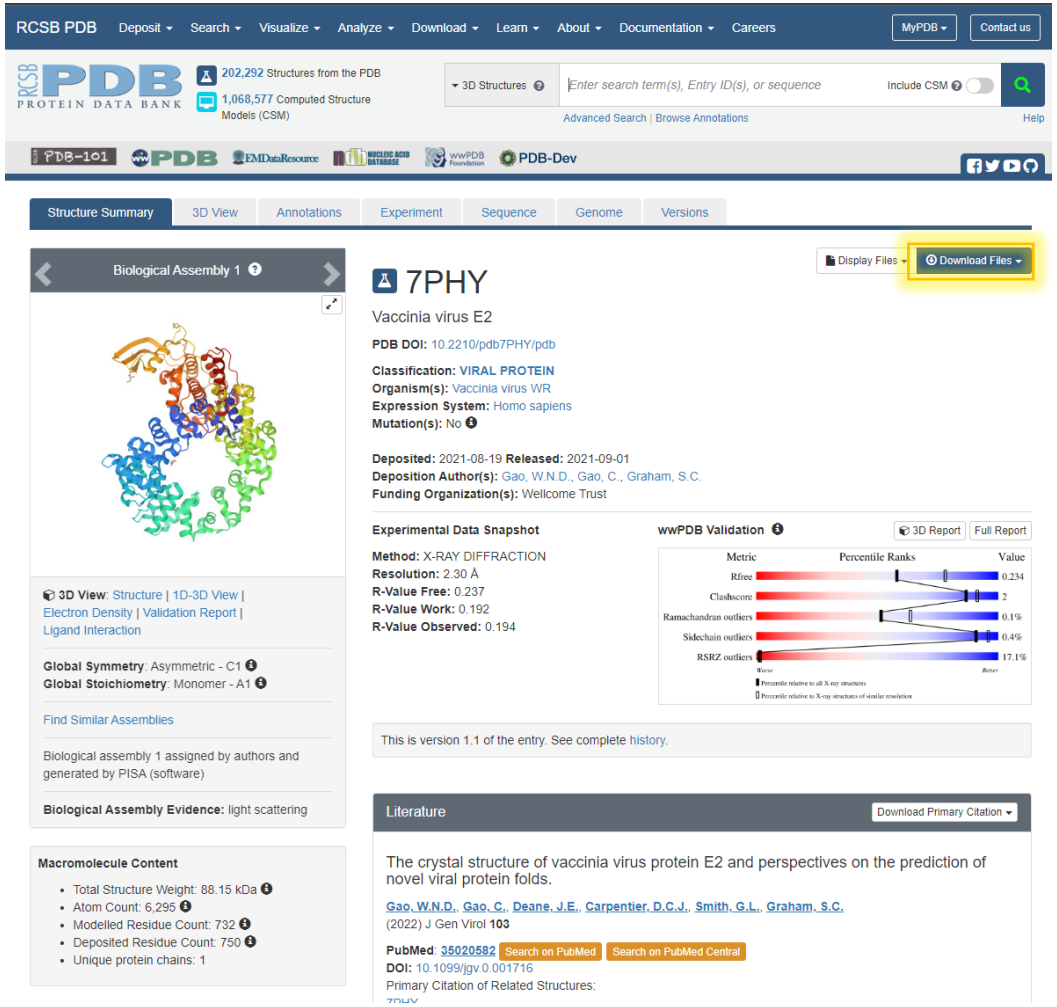

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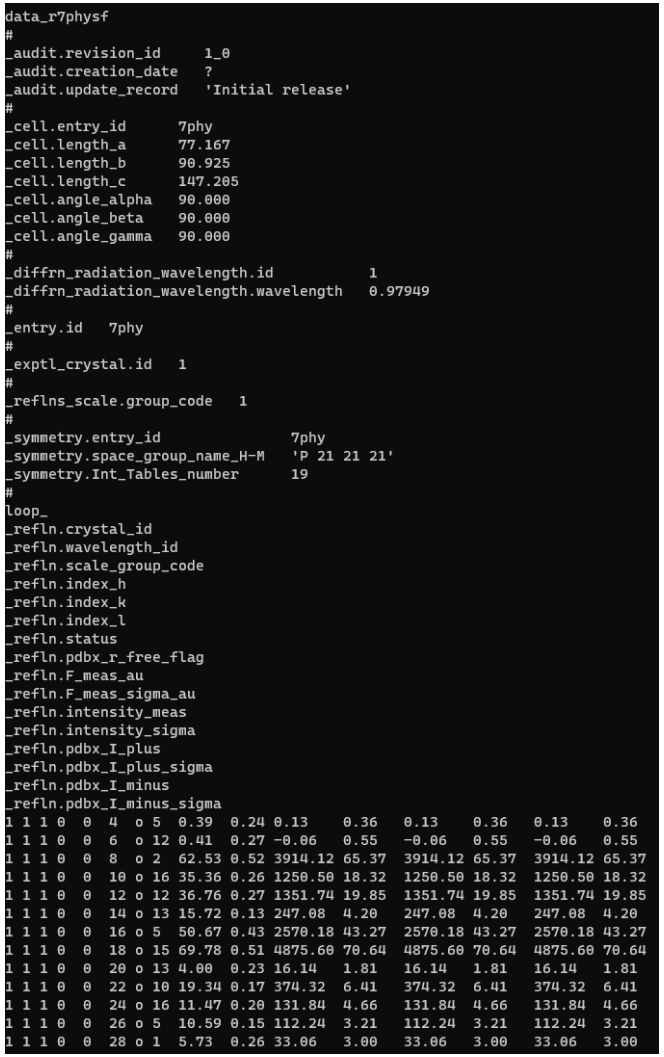

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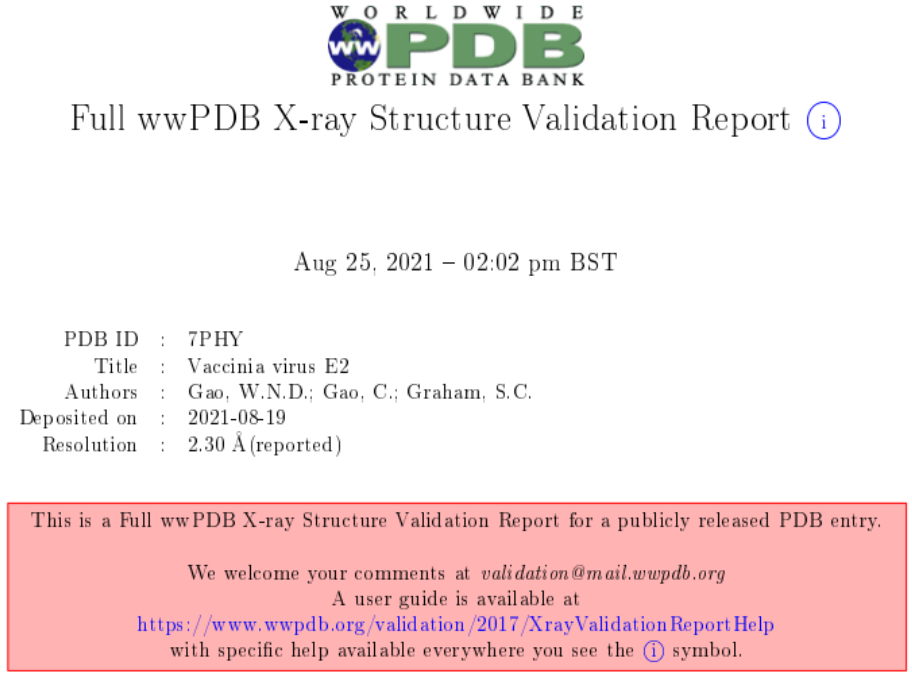

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Full wwPDB X-ray Structure Validation Report (i)

Aug 25, 2021 – 02:02 pm BST

PDB ID	:	7PHY
Title	:	Vaccinia virus E2
Authors	:	Gao, W.N.D.; Gao, C.; Graham, S.C.
Deposited on	:	2021-08-19
Resolution	:	2.30 Å (reported)

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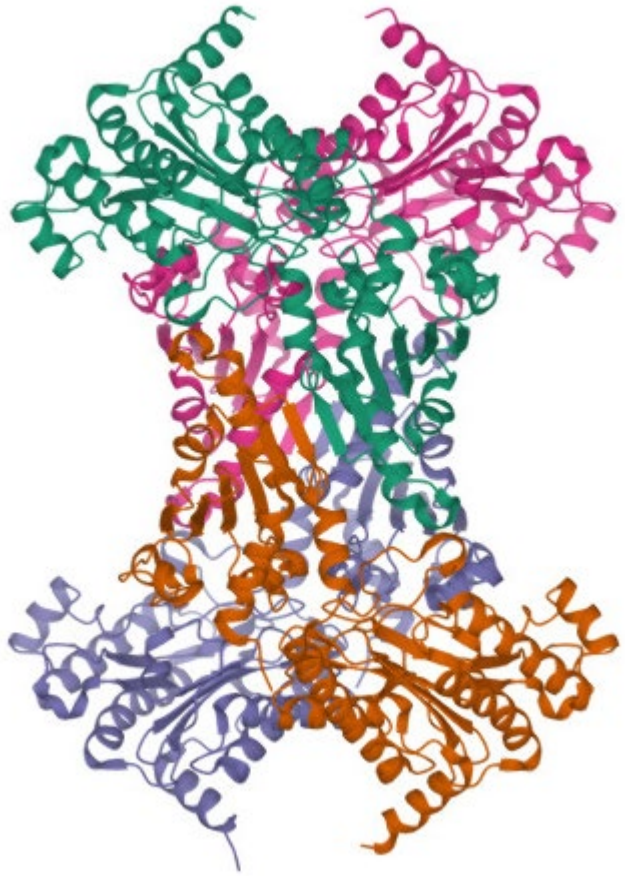

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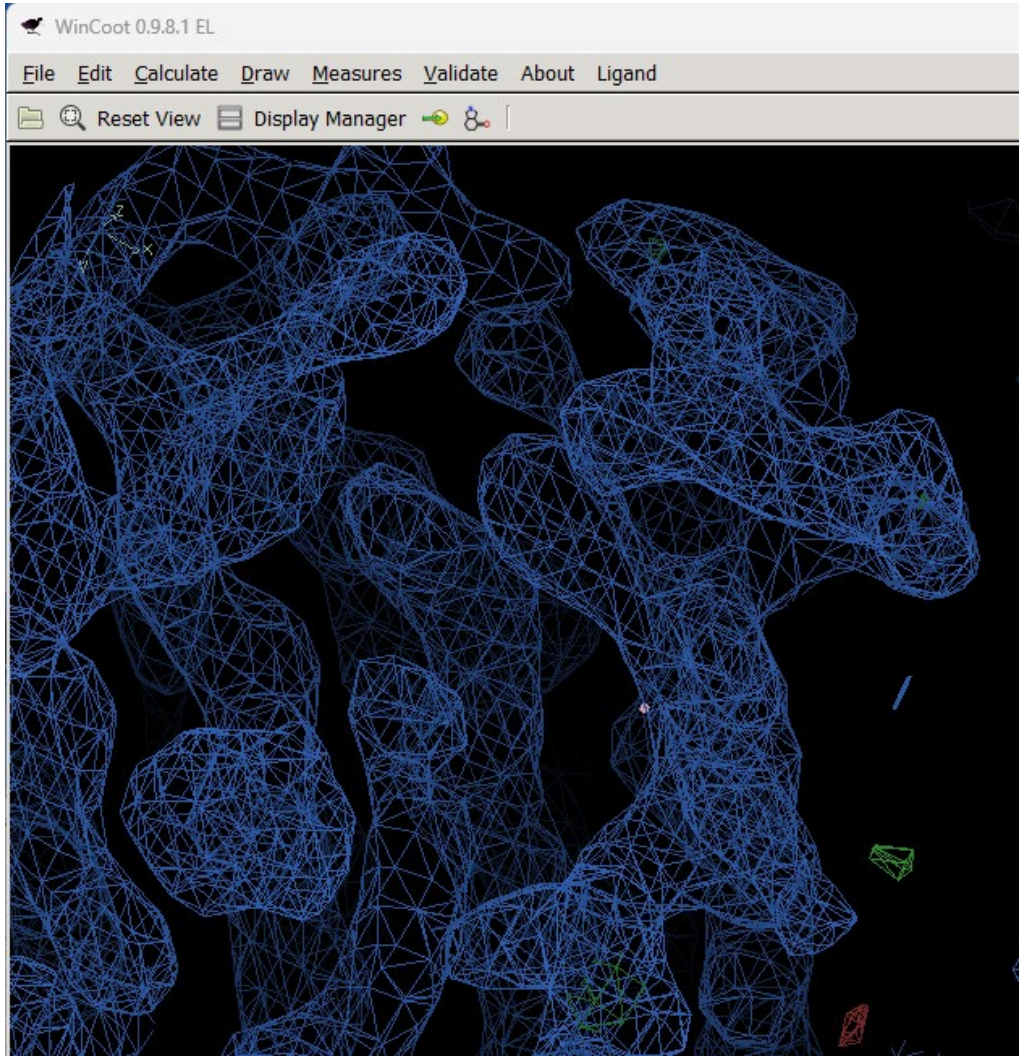

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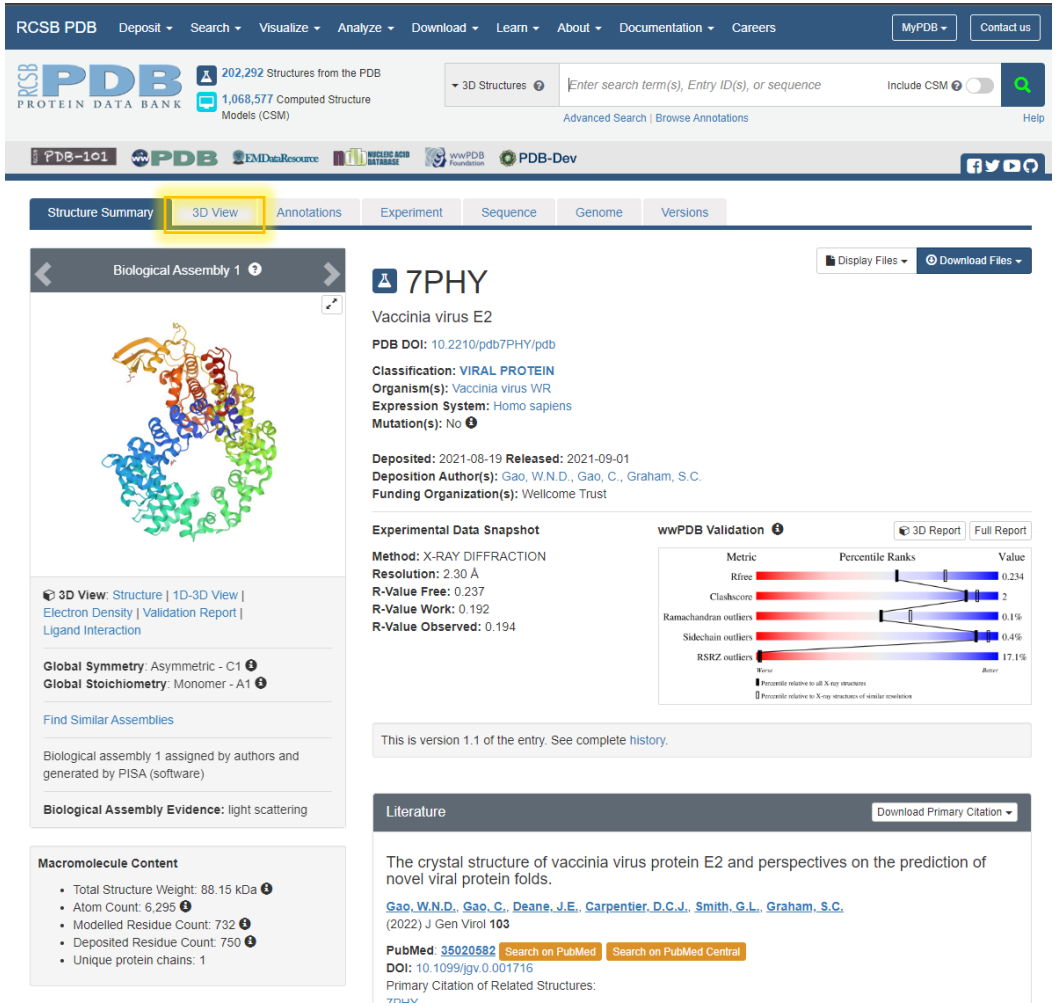

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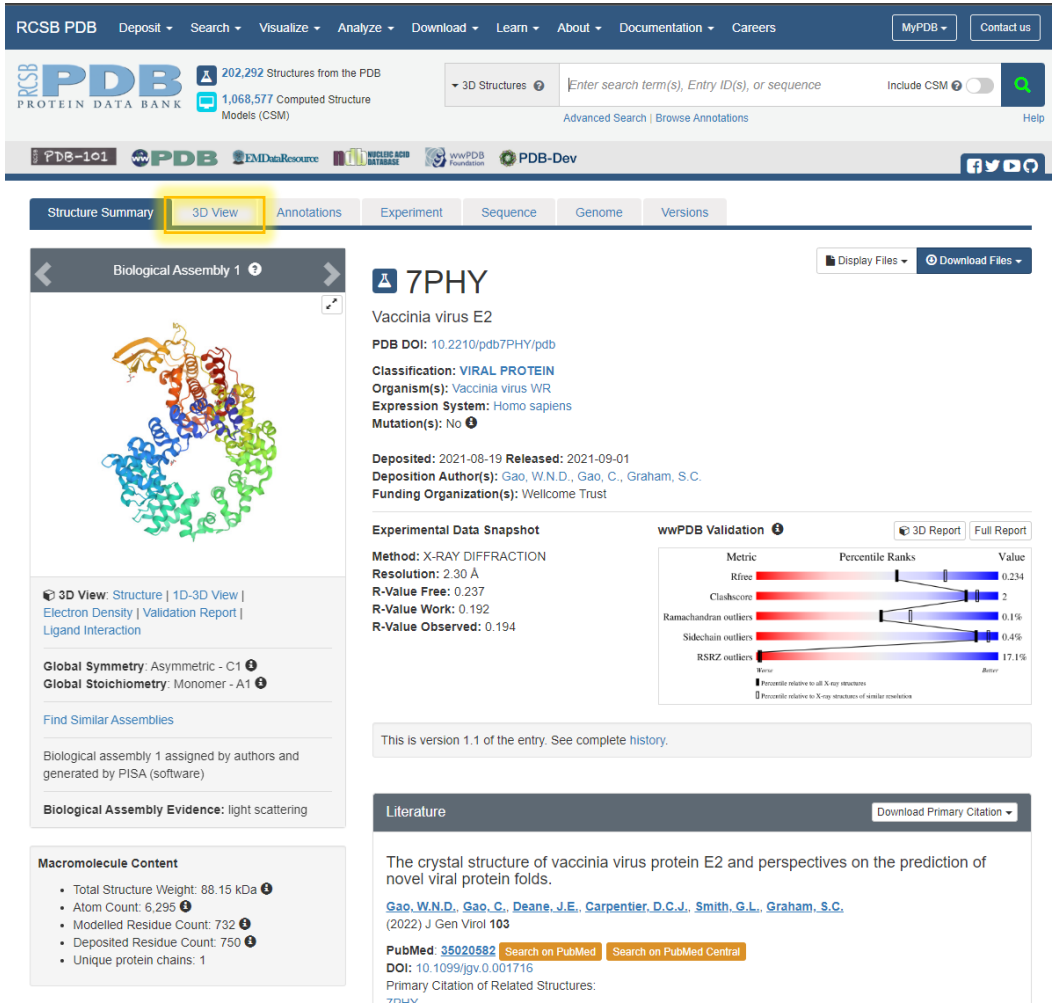

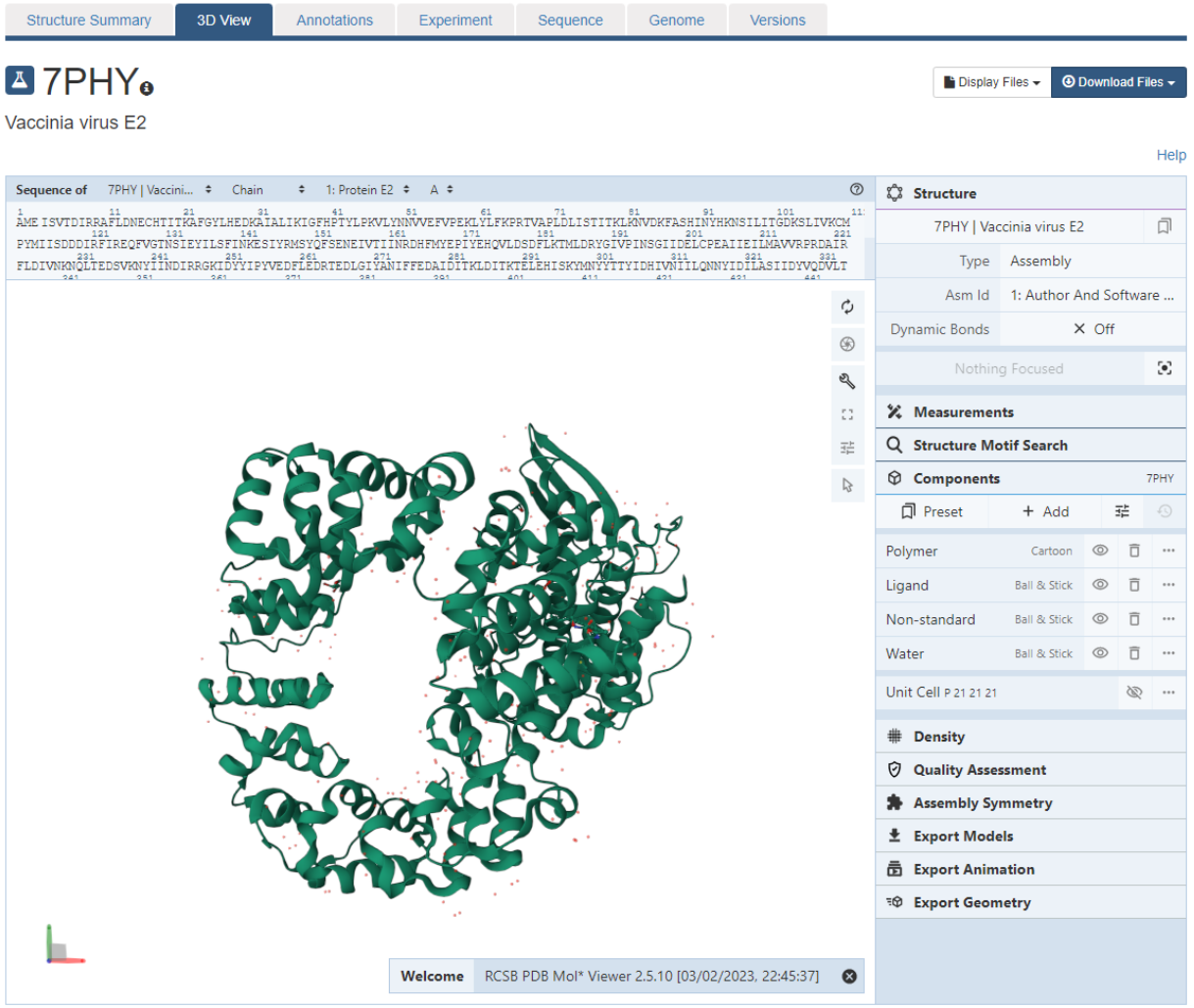

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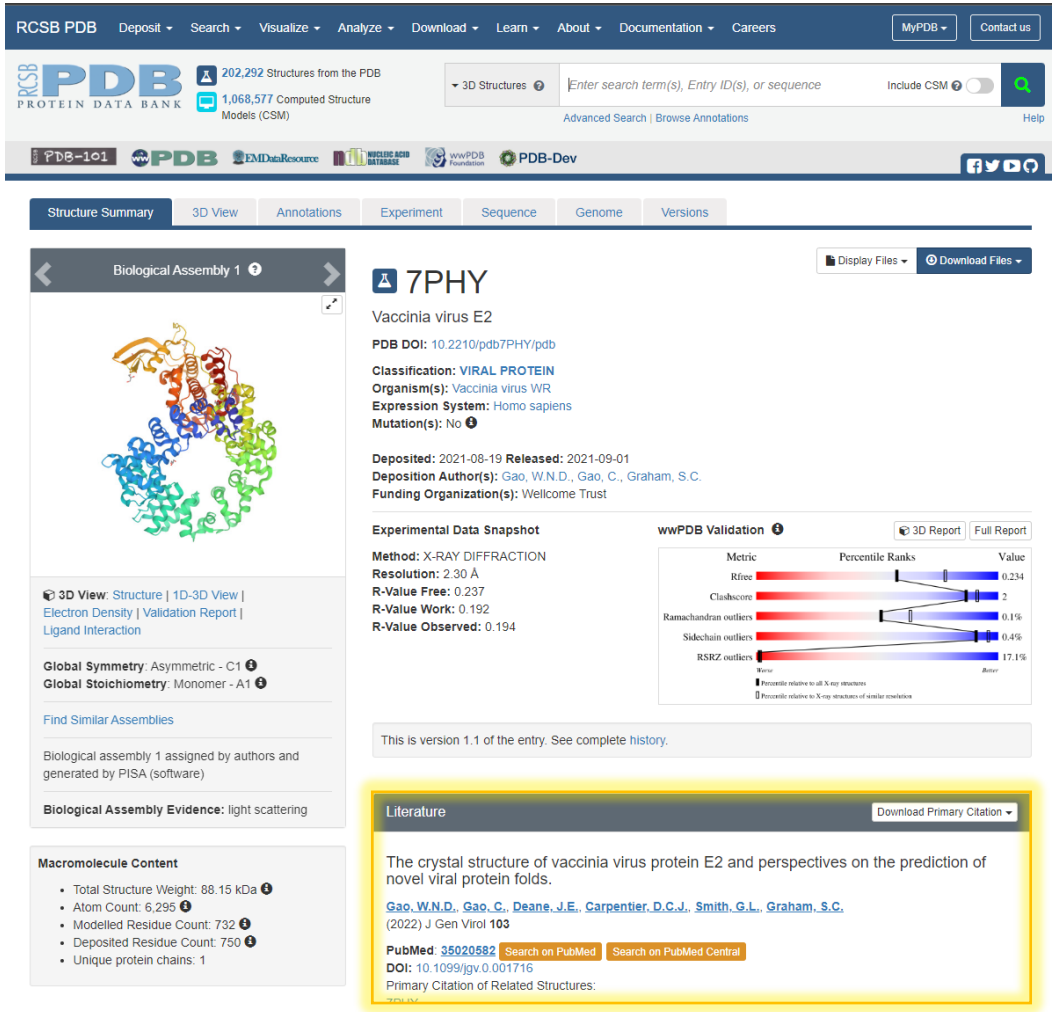

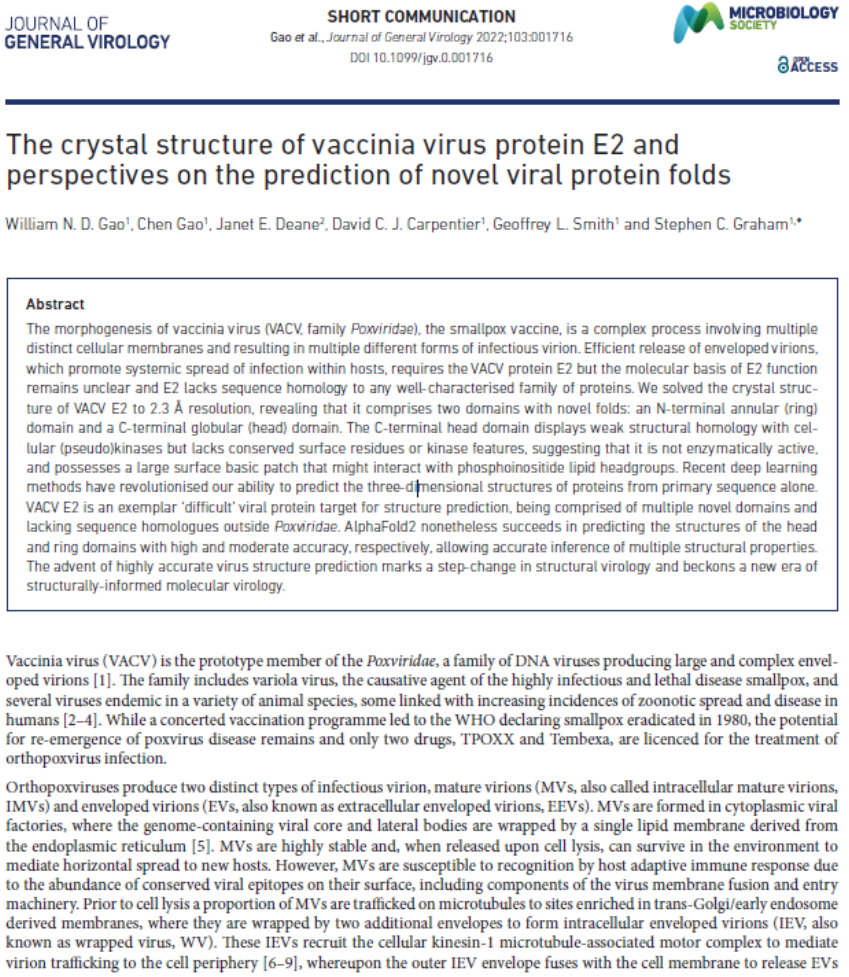

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The crystal structure of vaccinia virus protein E2 and perspectives on the prediction of novel viral protein folds

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Abstract

The morphogenesis of vaccinia virus (VACV, family *Poxviridae*), the smallpox vaccine, is a complex process involving multiple distinct cellular membranes and resulting in multiple different forms of infectious virion. Efficient release of enveloped virions, which promote systemic spread of infection within hosts, requires the VACV protein E2 but the molecular basis of E2 function remains unclear and E2 lacks sequence homology to any well-characterised family of proteins. We solved the crystal structure of VACV E2 to 2.3 Å resolution, revealing that it comprises two domains with novel folds: an N-terminal annular (ring) domain and a C-terminal globular (head) domain. The C-terminal head domain displays weak structural homology with cellular (pseudo)kinases but lacks conserved surface residues or kinase features, suggesting that it is not enzymatically active, and possesses a large surface basic patch that might interact with phosphoinositide lipid headgroups. Recent deep learning methods have revolutionised our ability to predict the three-dimensional structures of proteins from primary sequence alone. VACV E2 is an exemplar 'difficult' viral protein target for structure prediction, being comprised of multiple novel domains and lacking sequence homologues outside *Poxviridae*. AlphaFold2 nonetheless succeeds in predicting the structures of the head and ring domains with high and moderate accuracy, respectively, allowing accurate inference of multiple structural properties. The advent of highly accurate virus structure prediction marks a step-change in structural virology and beckons a new era of structurally-informed molecular virology.

Vaccinia virus (VACV) is the prototype member of the *Poxviridae*, a family of DNA viruses producing large and complex enveloped virions [1]. The family includes variola virus, the causative agent of the highly infectious and lethal disease smallpox, and several viruses endemic in a variety of animal species, some linked with increasing incidences of zoonotic spread and disease in humans [2–4]. While a concerted vaccination programme led to the WHO declaring smallpox eradicated in 1980, the potential for re-emergence of poxvirus disease remains and only two drugs, TPOXX and Tembexa, are licenced for the treatment of orthopoxvirus infection.

Orthopoxviruses produce two distinct types of infectious virion, mature virions (MVs, also called intracellular mature virions, IMVs) and enveloped virions (EVs, also known as extracellular enveloped virions, EEVs). MVs are formed in cytoplasmic viral factories, where the genome-containing viral core and lateral bodies are wrapped by a single lipid membrane derived from the endoplasmic reticulum [5]. MVs are highly stable and, when released upon cell lysis, can survive in the environment to mediate horizontal spread to new hosts. However, MVs are susceptible to recognition by host adaptive immune response due to the abundance of conserved viral epitopes on their surface, including components of the virus membrane fusion and entry machinery. Prior to cell lysis a proportion of MVs are trafficked on microtubules to sites enriched in trans-Golgi/early endosome derived membranes, where they are wrapped by two additional envelopes to form intracellular enveloped virions (IEV, also known as wrapped virus, WV). These IEVs recruit the cellular kinesin-1 microtubule-associated motor complex to mediate virion trafficking to the cell periphery [6–9], whereupon the outer IEV envelope fuses with the cell membrane to release EVs

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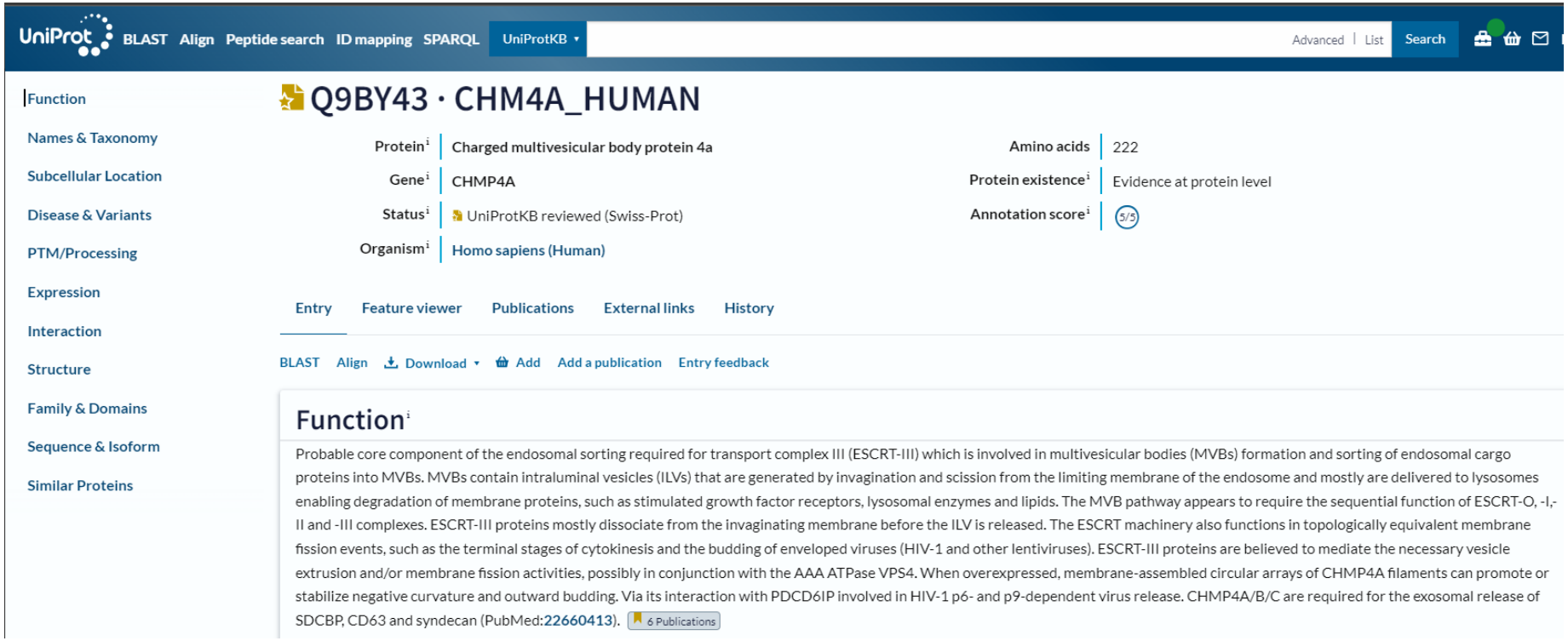

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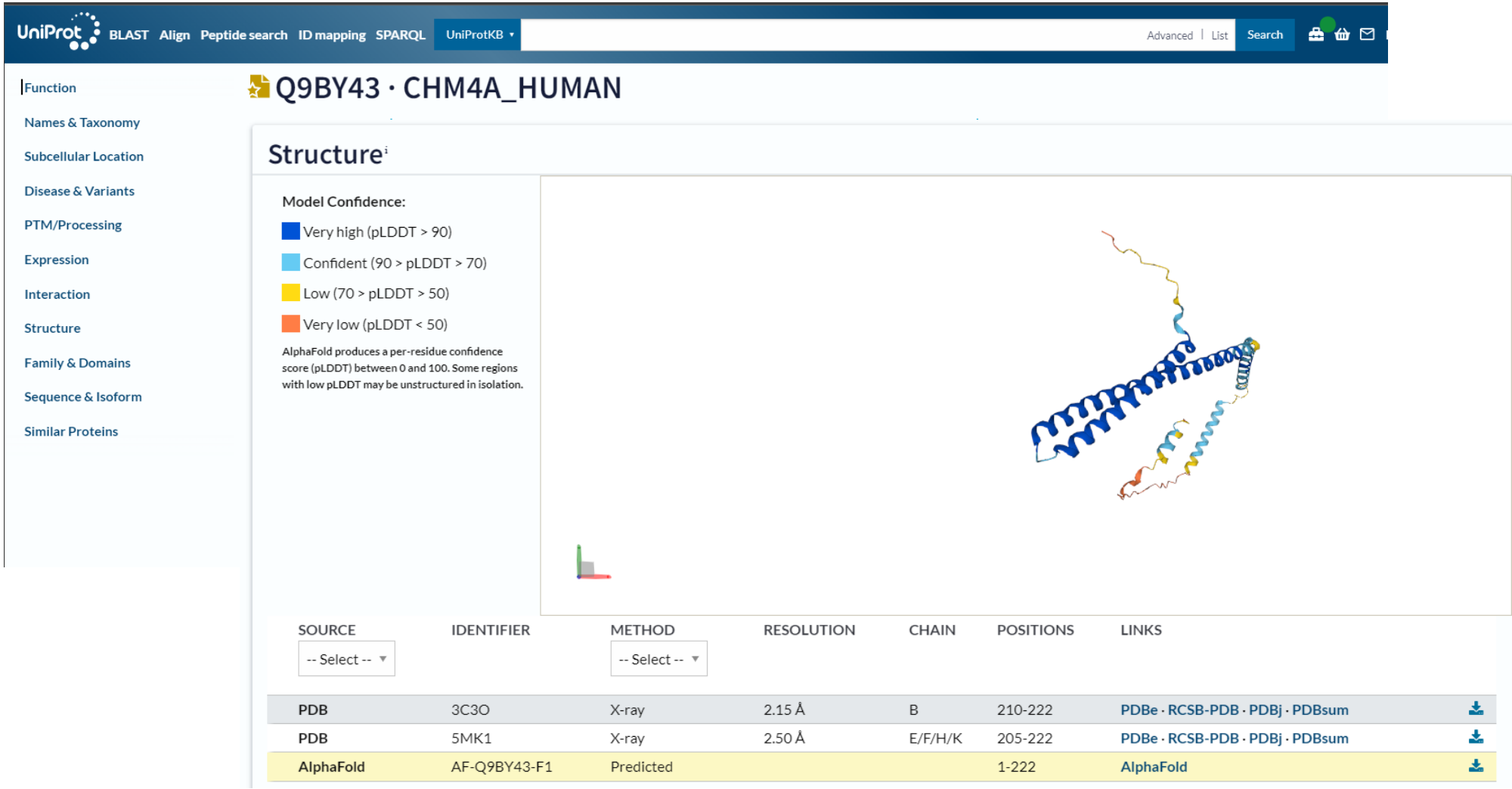

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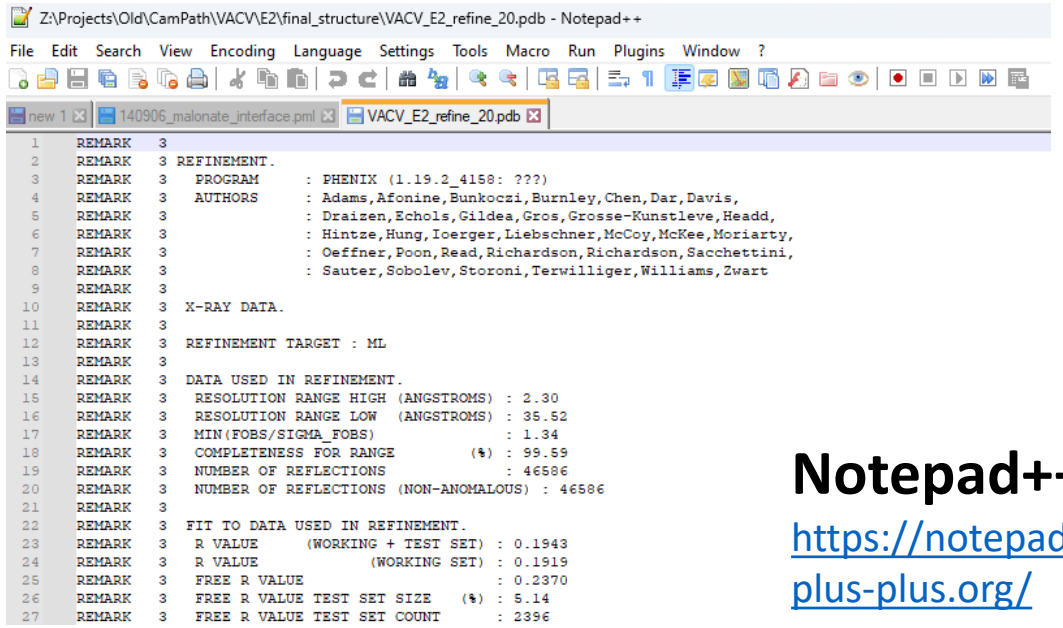

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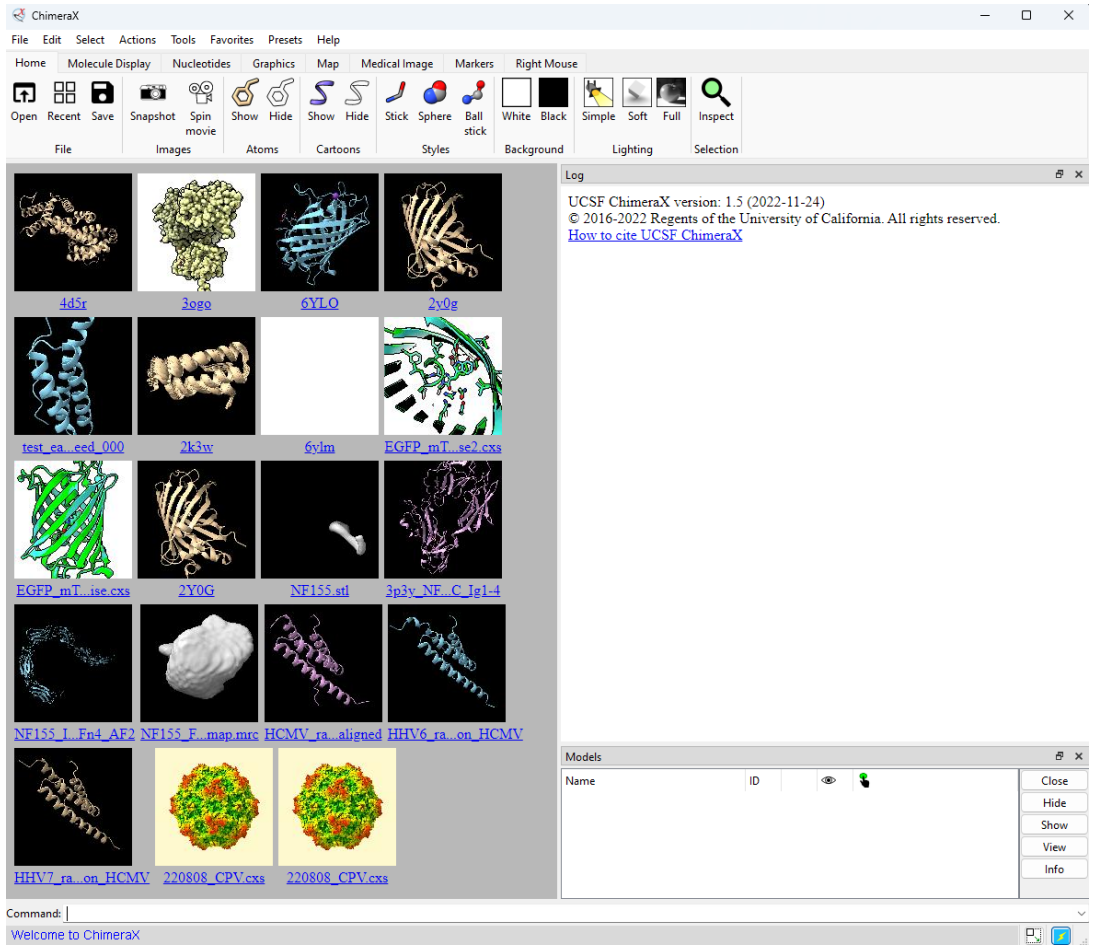

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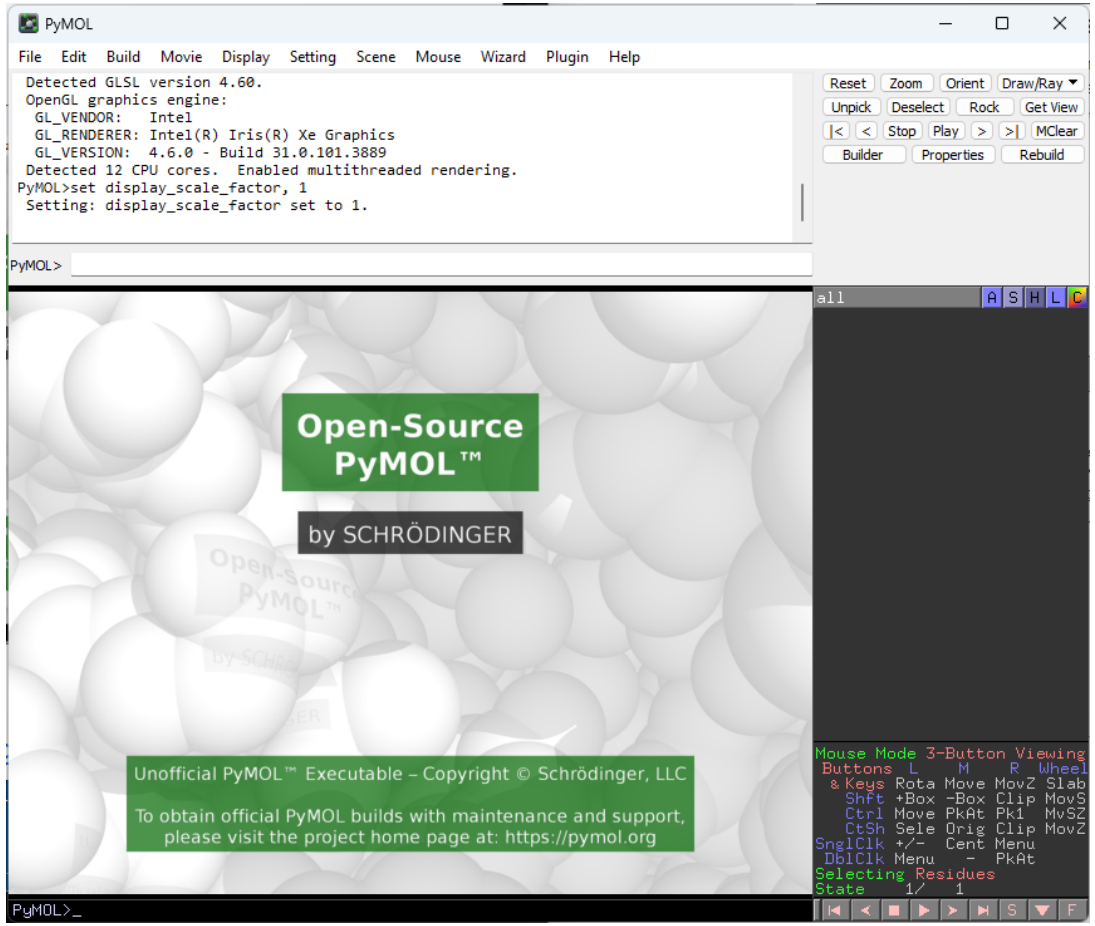

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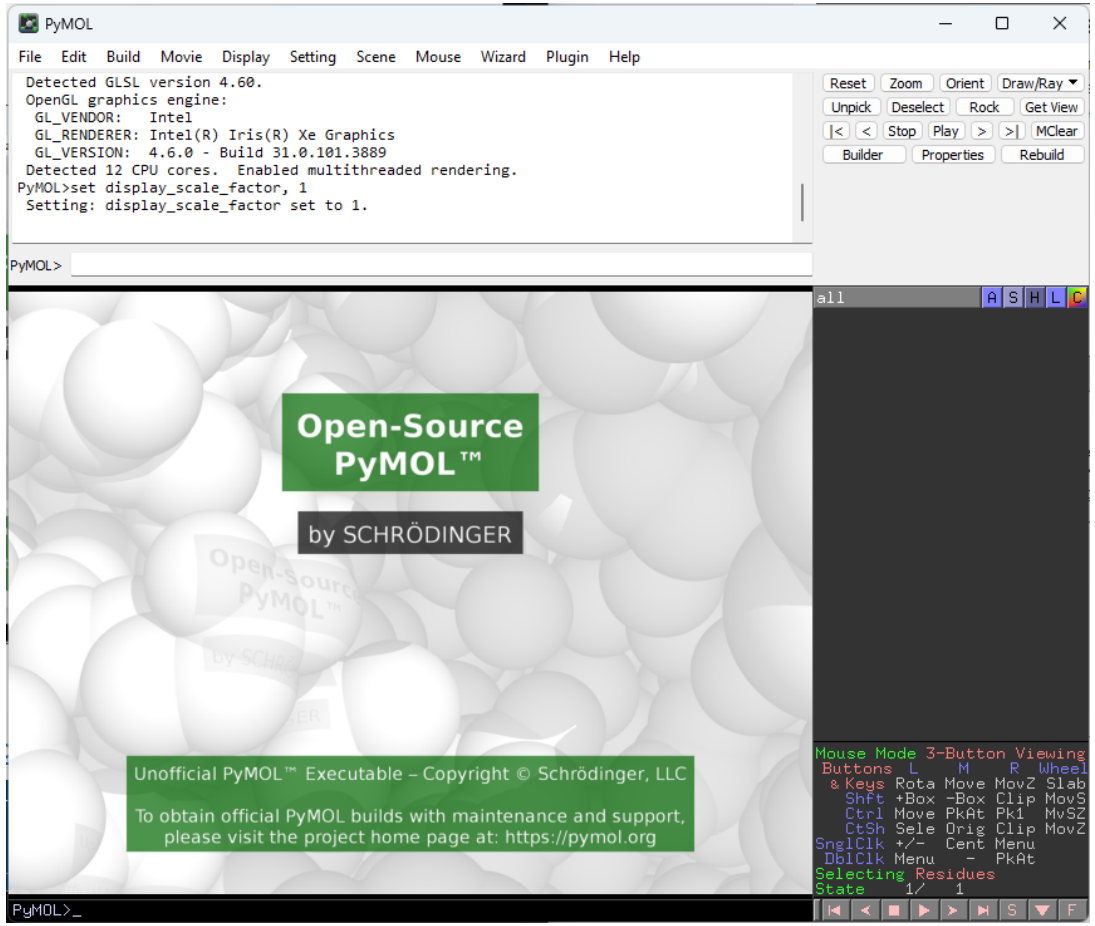

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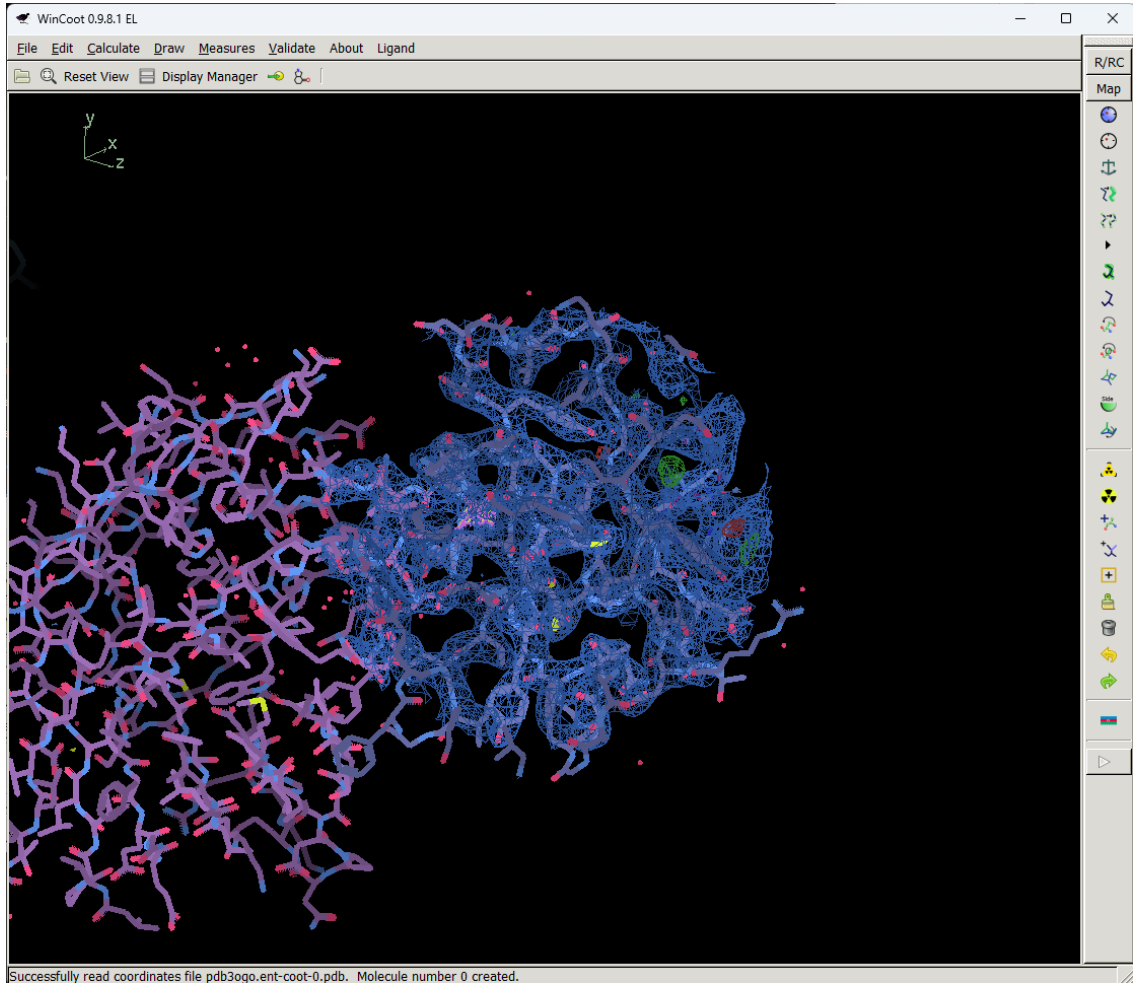

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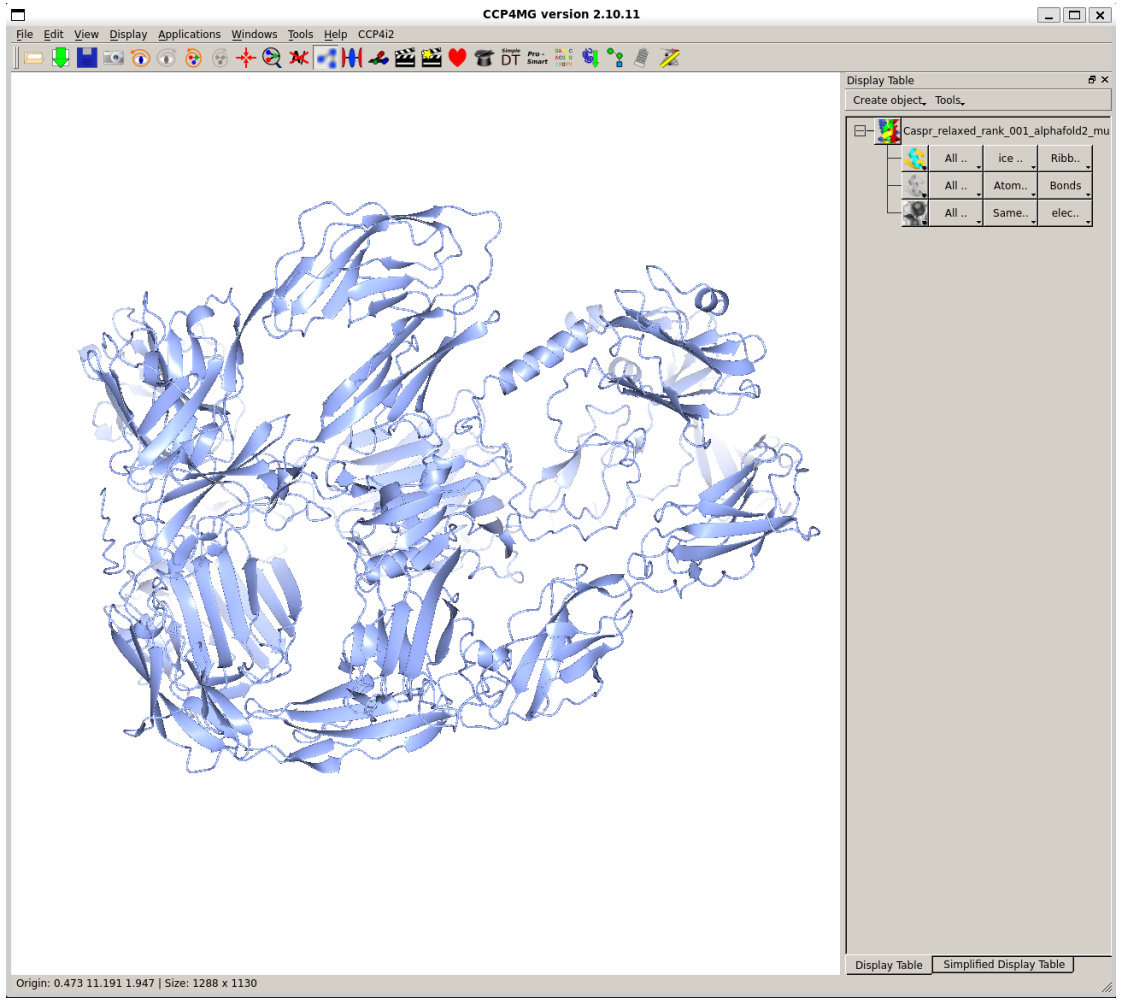

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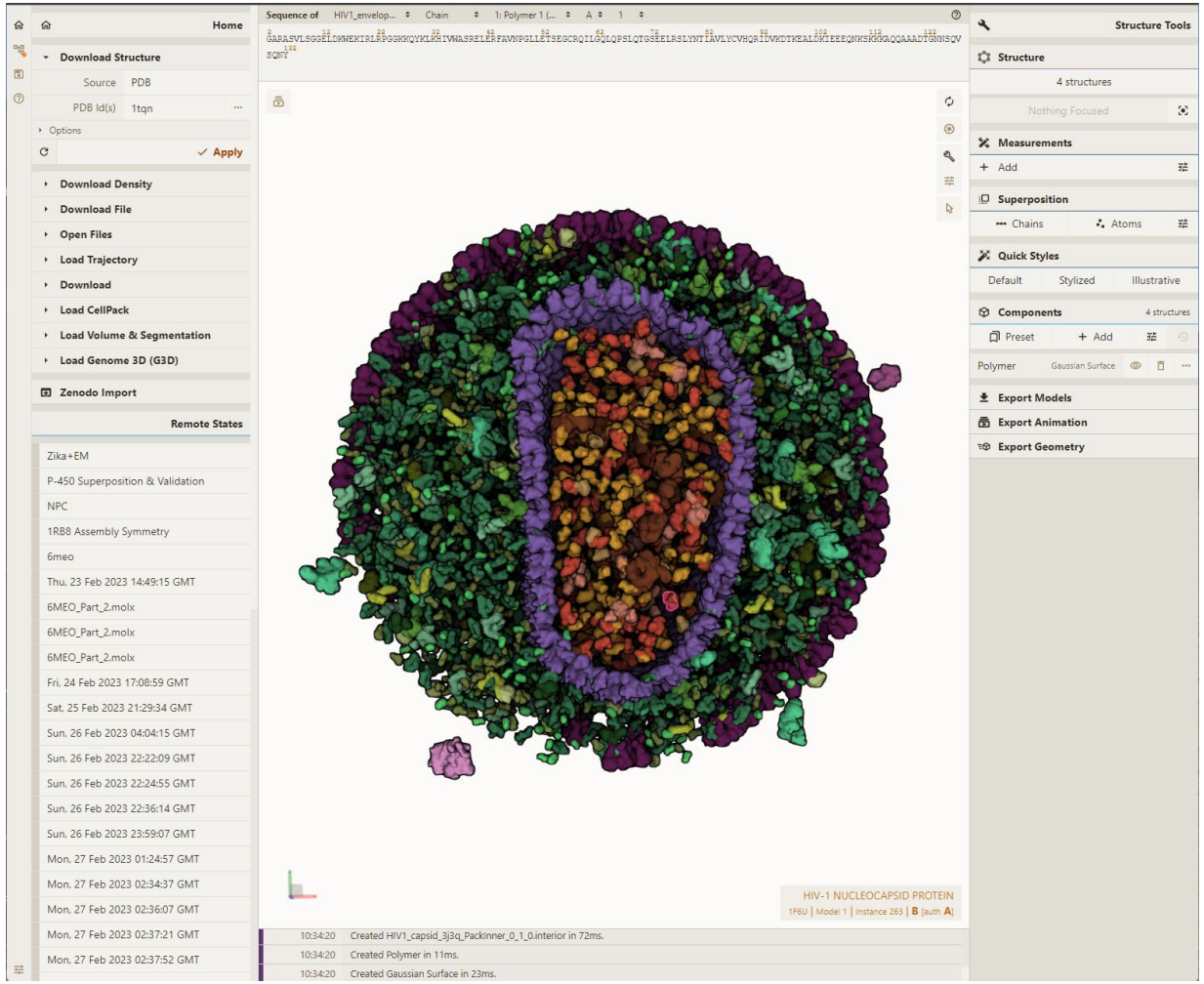

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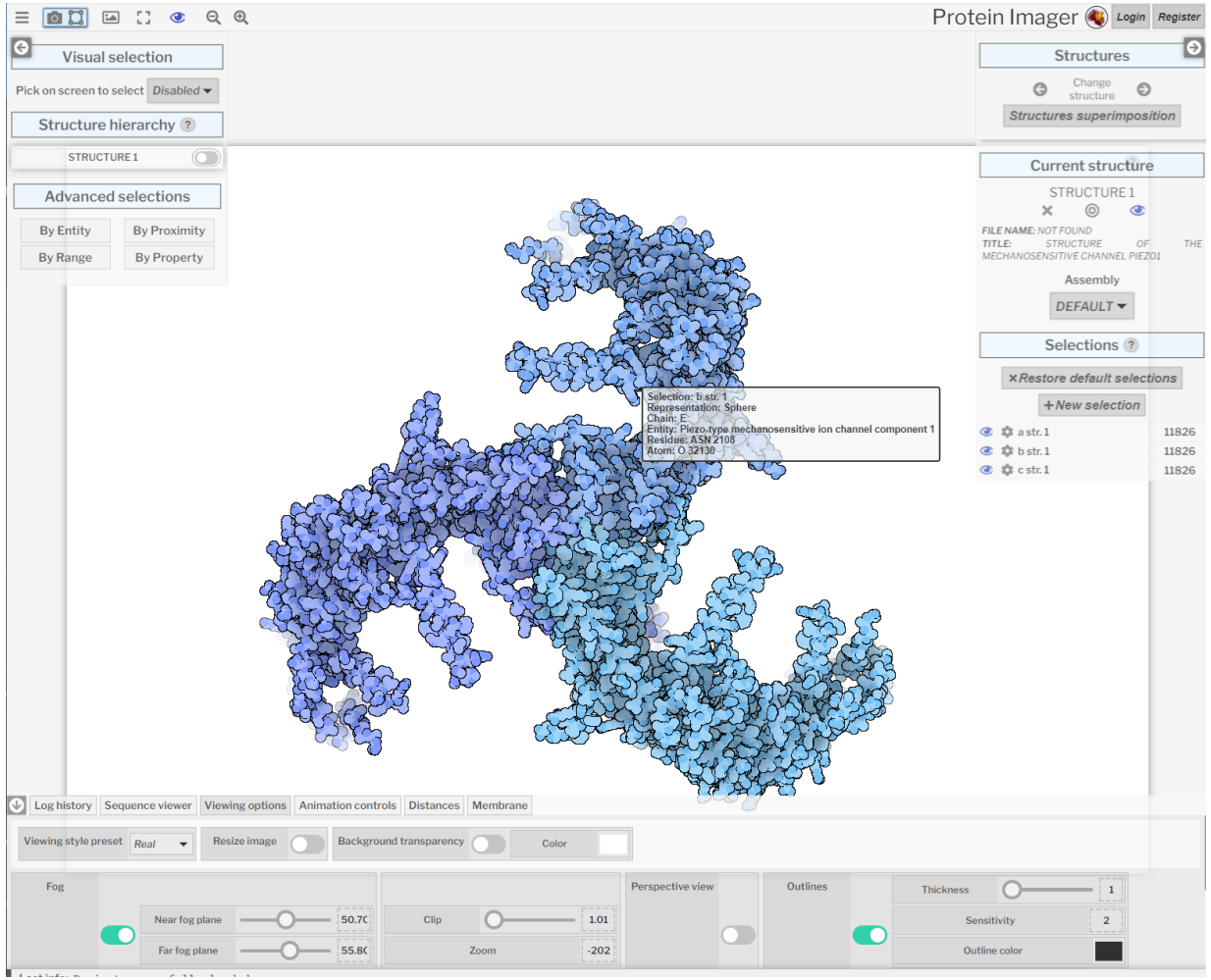

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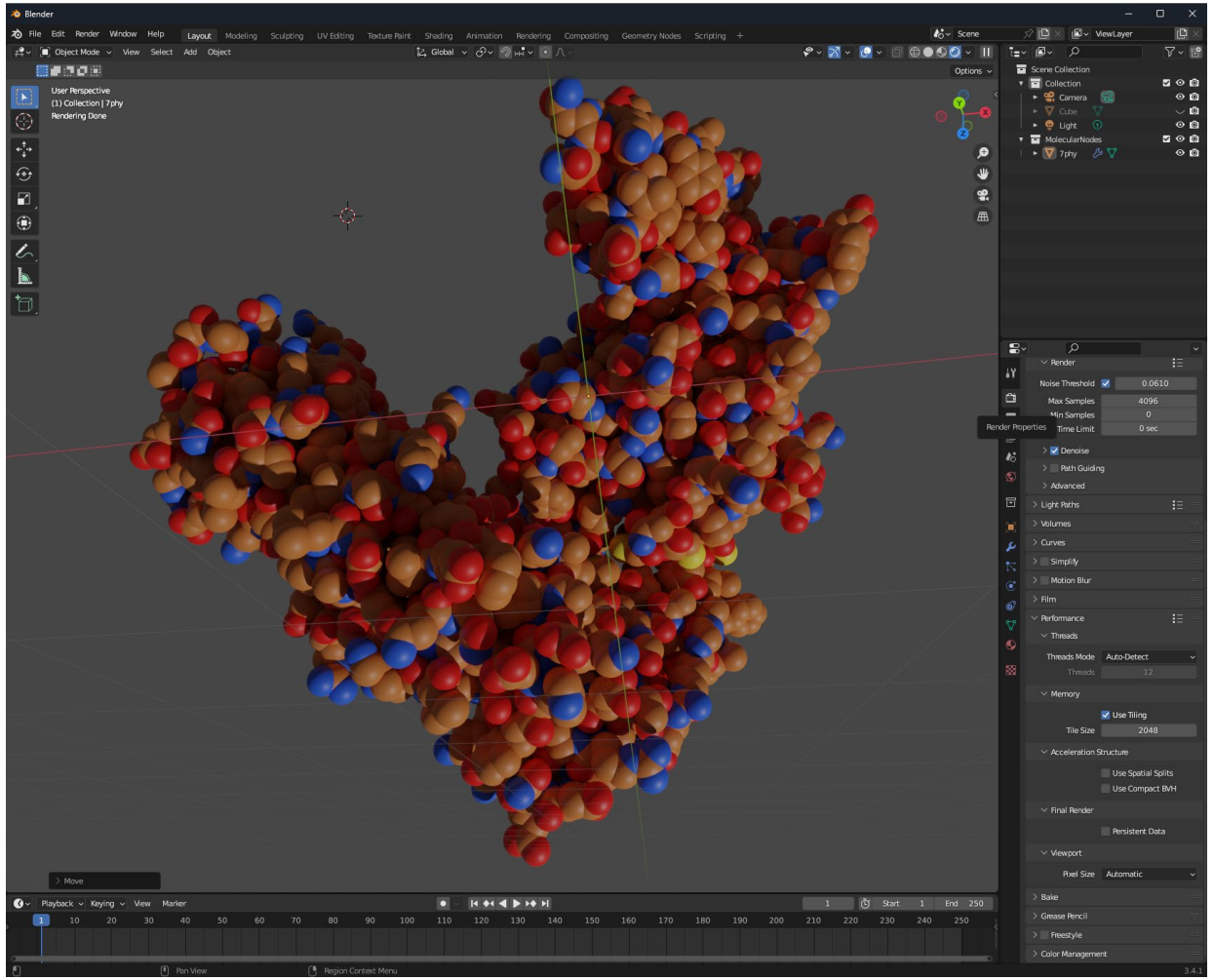

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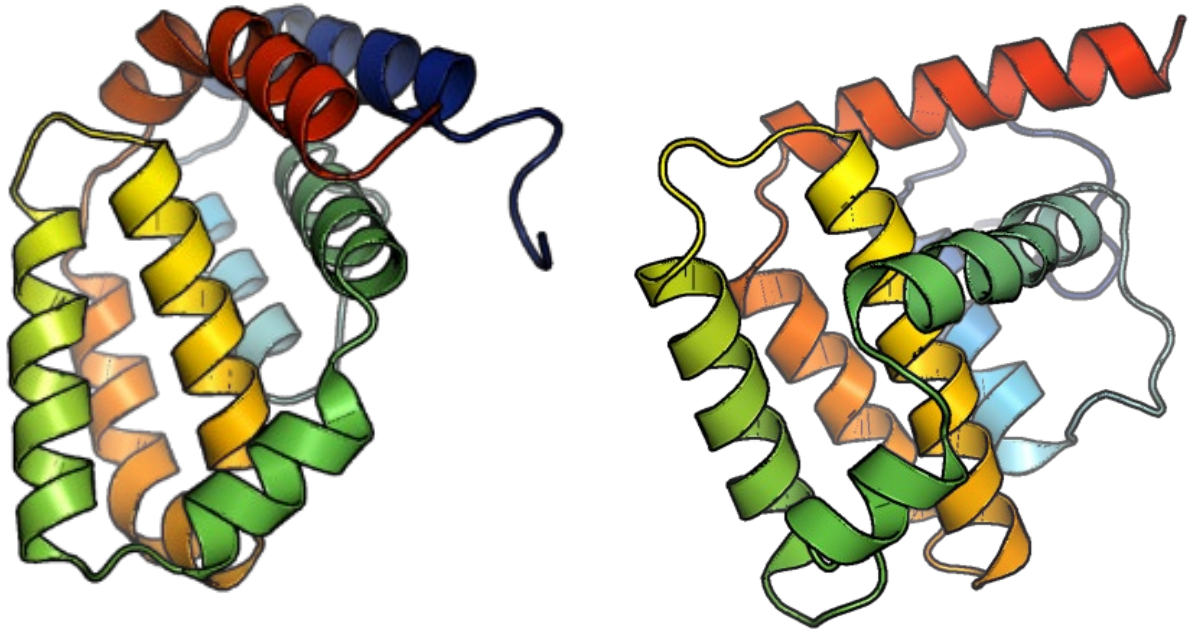
Measures of protein structural similarity

- Sequence identity is a measure of amino acid sequence similarity
  - High identity suggests evolutionary similarity
- Proteins can have similar structures in absence of similar sequences
- How do we measure protein structure similarity?



Vaccinia virus proteins A49 (left) and A52 (right)
Very similar structures but no sequence identity was unidentifiable

Root mean squared deviation (RMSD)

$$\mathrm{RMSD} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N}\sum_{i=1}^{N}\delta_i^2}$$

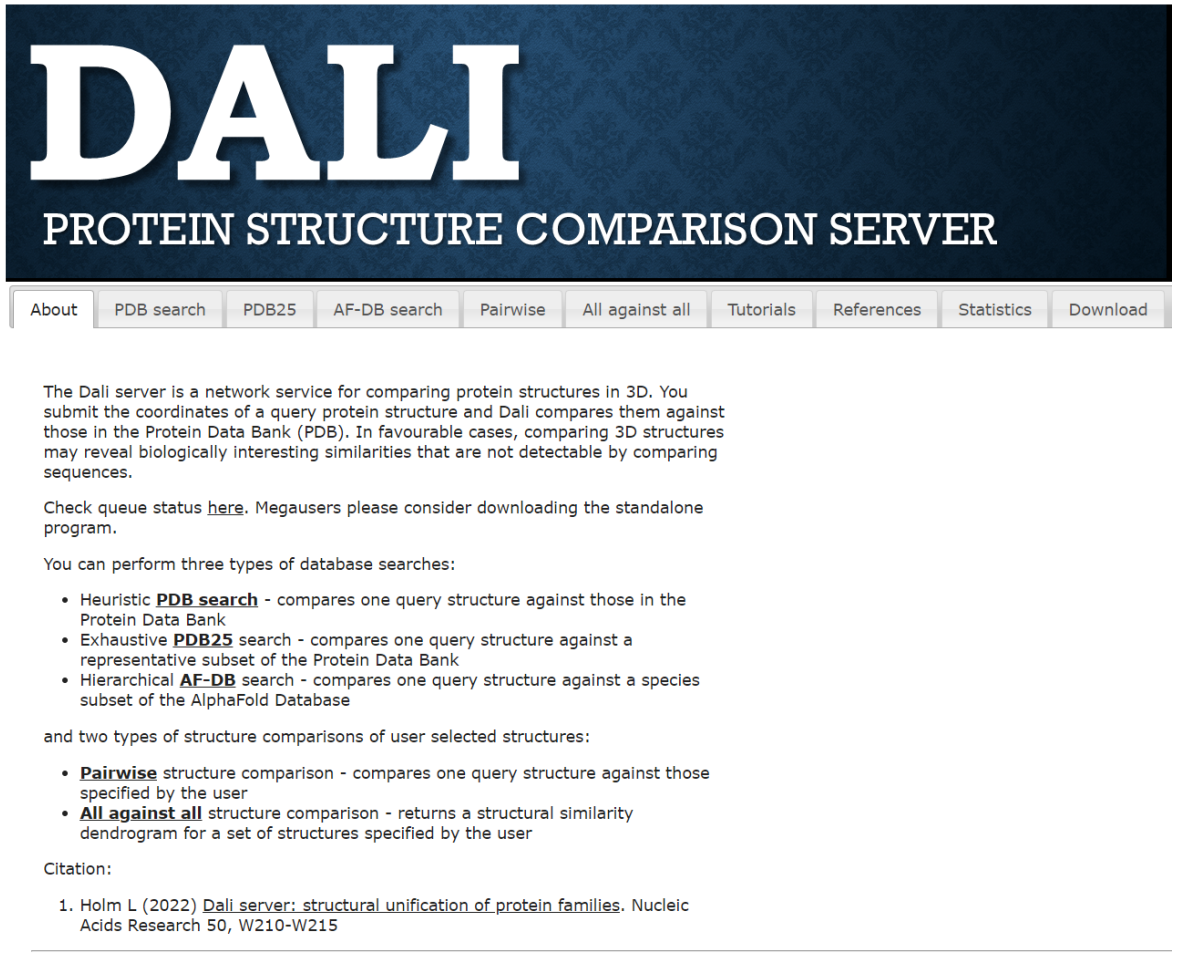
- Where δ is the distance between two equivalent atoms
- Generally measured between Cα atoms
- When quoting, need to specify both RMSD and number of matched atoms
- Exist several more advanced measures (normalised RMSD, GDT_TS, …)
- Can calculate in ChimeraX, PyMOL, COOT, …

How can you find other structures similar to your protein of interest?

Structure-based searches: DALI

http://ekhidna2.biocenter.helsinki.fi/dali/

- Can search databases of experimental structures and AlphaFold2 models



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- Can search databases of experimental structures and AlphaFold2 models
- Search results order by Z score (statistical significance)
- Uses all residue pairwise distance matrices, not RMSD
- Z scores above 7 or so are likely to be meaningful

Results: 7phyA

Query: 7phyA

MOLECULE: PROTEIN E2;

Select neighbours (check boxes) for viewing as multiple structural alignment or 3D superimposition. The list of neighbours is sorted by Z-score. Similarities with a Z-score lower than 2 are spurious. Each neighbour has links to pairwise structural alignment with the query structure, and to the PDB format coordinate file where the neighbour is superimposed onto the query structure.

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☐ 3:	7r5s-I	4.9	15.1	176	622	7	PDB	MOLECULE: CENTROMERE PROTEIN H;
☐ 4:	1z2c-B	4.8	18.7	127	346	8	PDB	MOLECULE: RHO-RELATED GTP-BINDING PROTEIN RHOC;
☐ 5:	6yle-D	4.7	9.8	139	547	5	PDB	MOLECULE: PRE-RRNA-PROCESSING PROTEIN IPI3;
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☐ 7:	3dad-A	4.5	10.1	104	324	13	PDB	MOLECULE: FH1/FH2 DOMAIN-CONTAINING PROTEIN 1;
☐ 8:	8e2f-A	4.4	12.0	140	771	4	PDB	MOLECULE: BACULOVIRAL IAP REPEAT-CONTAINING PROTEIN 6;
☐ 9:	7uwf-C	4.3	12.1	119	517	5	PDB	MOLECULE: WD REPEAT-CONTAINING PROTEIN 18;
☐ 10:	6dee-A	4.2	13.7	125	382	6	PDB	MOLECULE: NCK-INTERACTING PROTEIN WITH SH3 DOMAIN;
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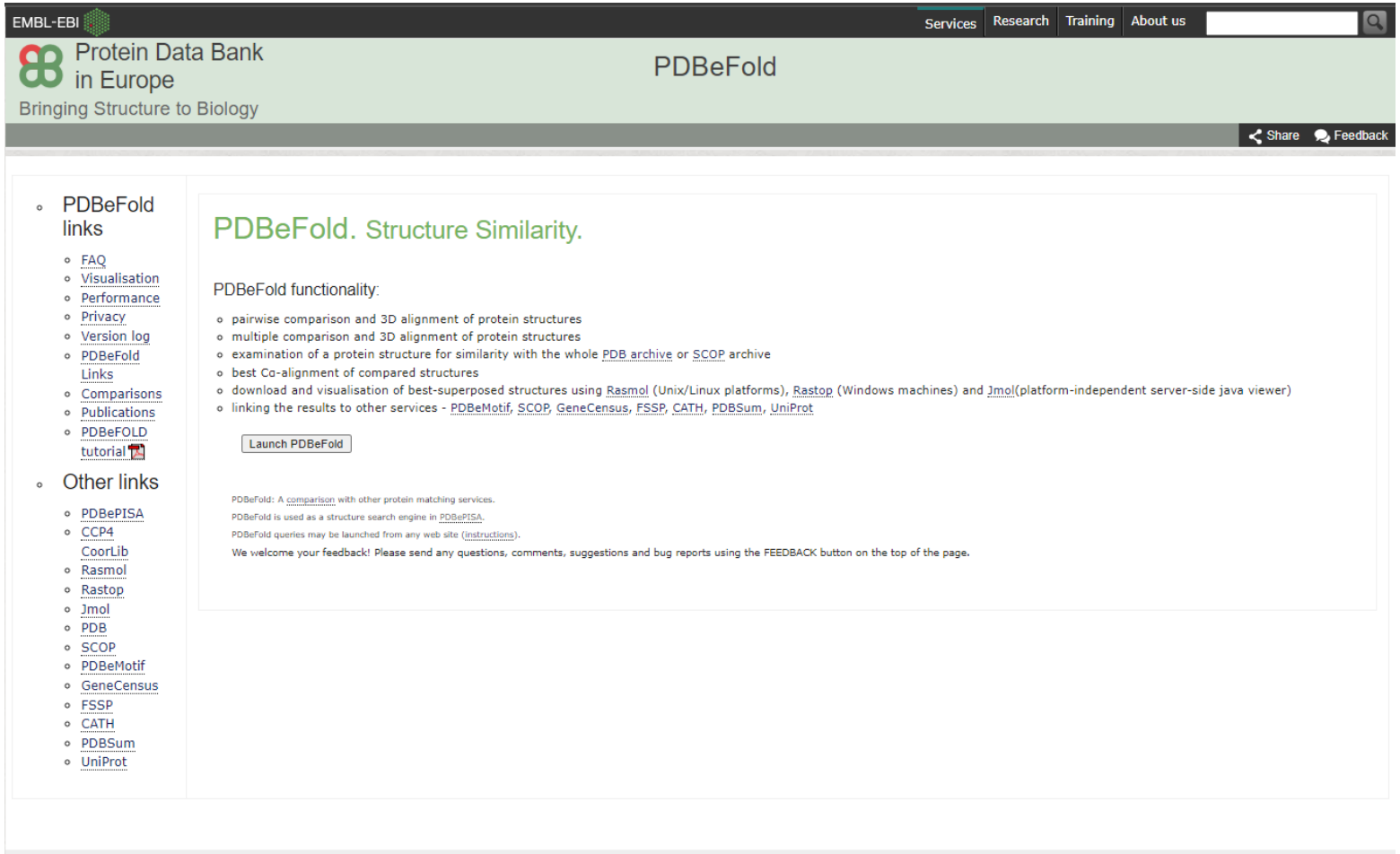

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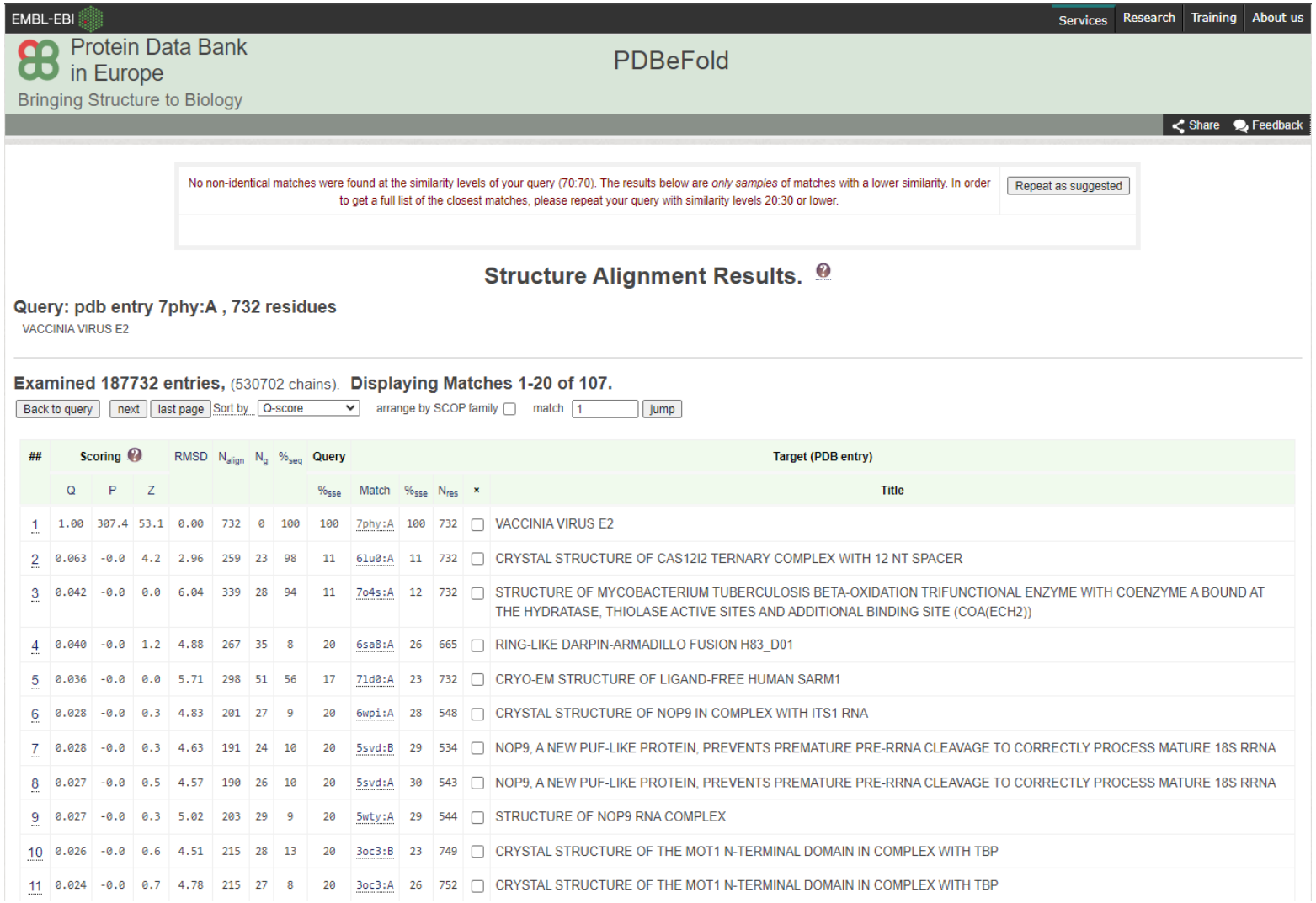

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VACCINIA VIRUS E2

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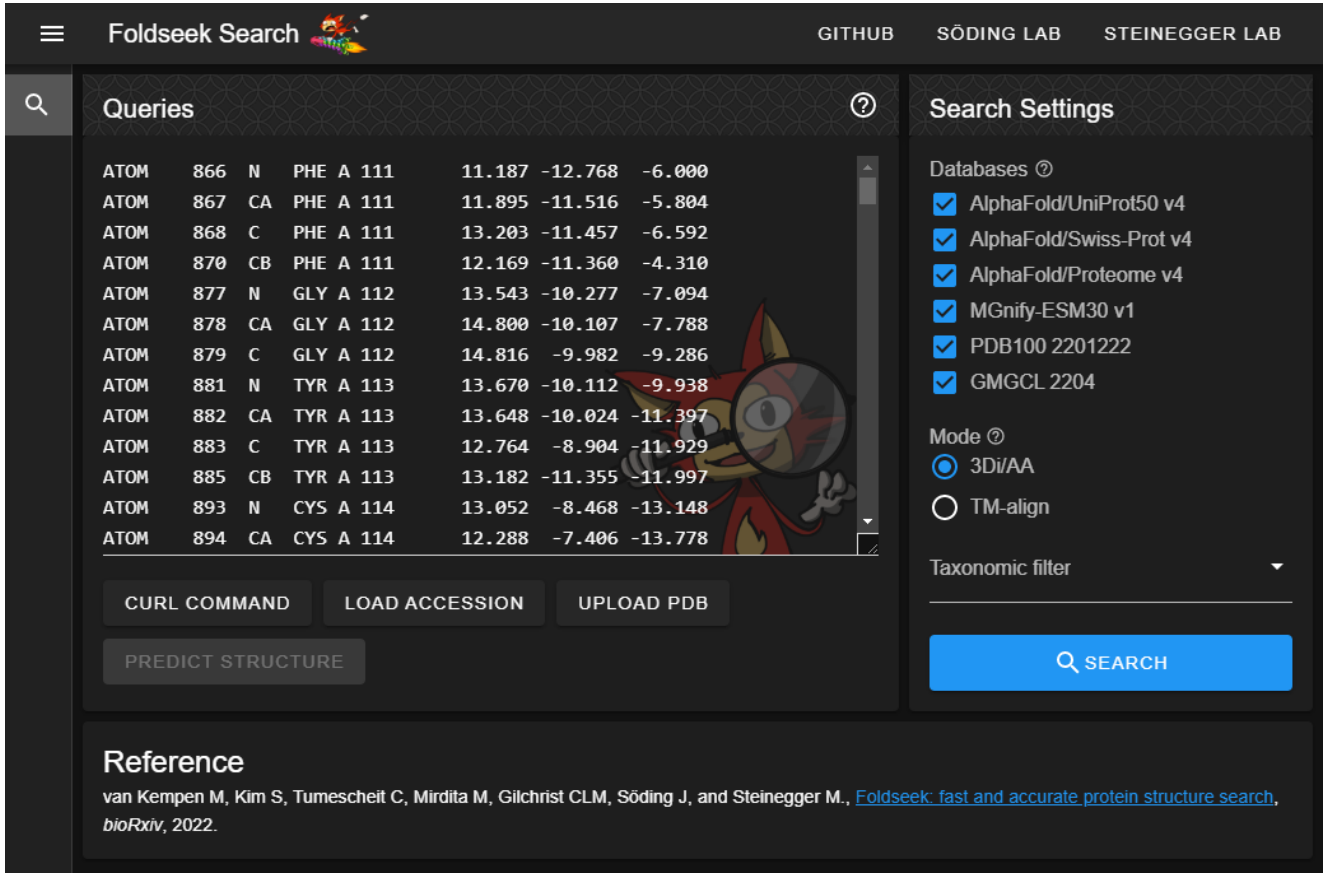

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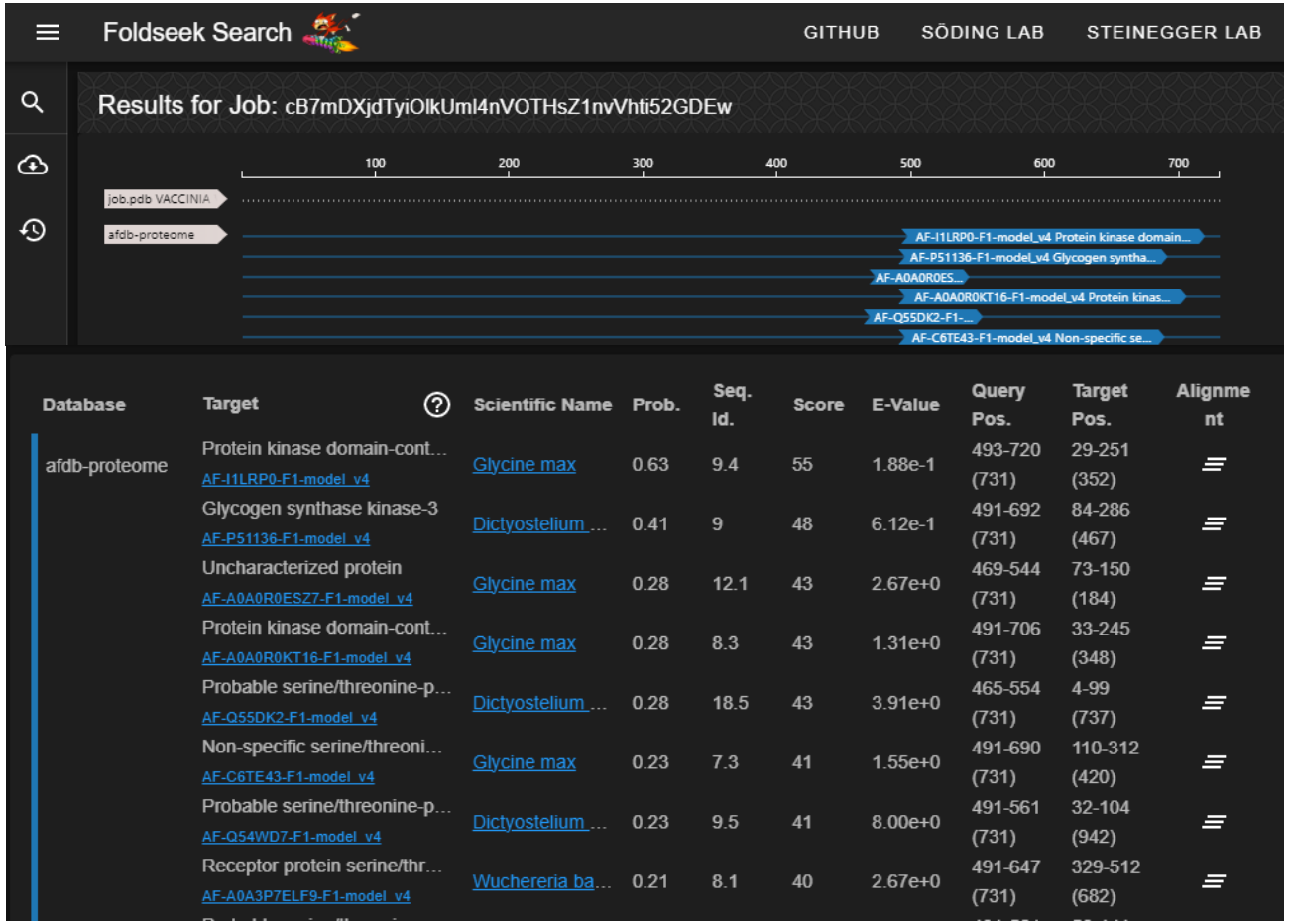

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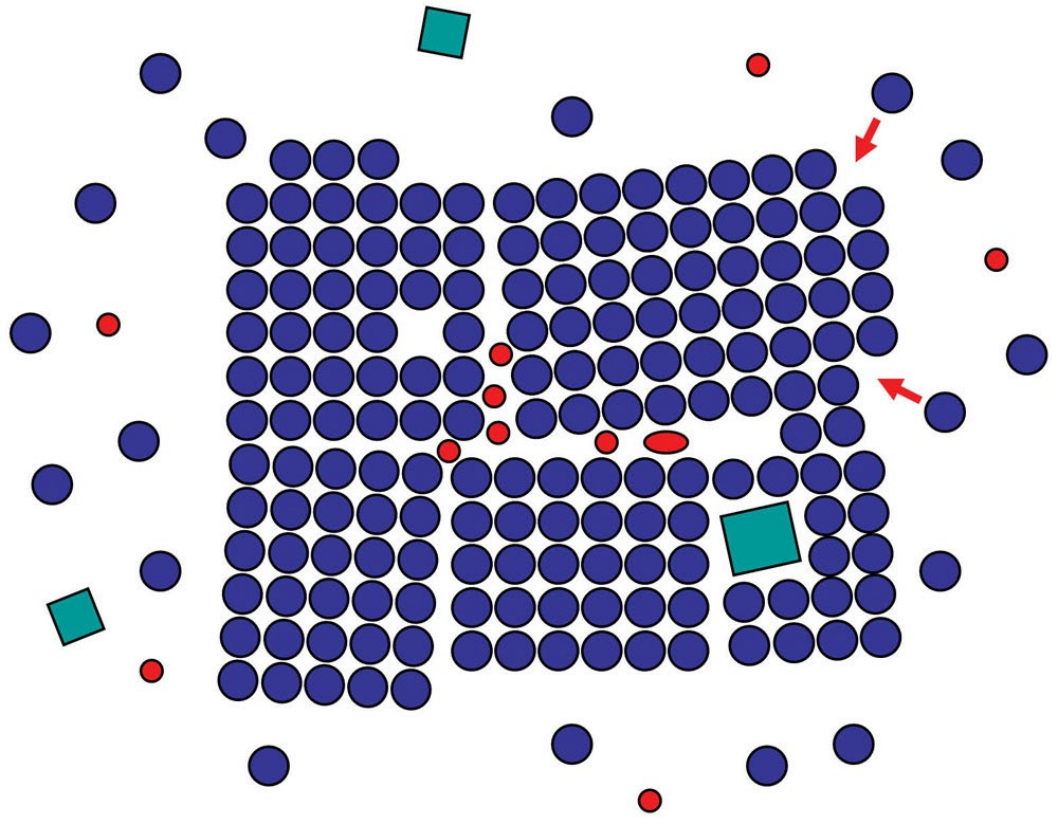
Analysing protein complexes

Inspecting protein interaction interfaces

- Many (most) proteins function as part of macromolecular assemblies
- Crystals are large arrays of protein molecules
  - Some interactions between adjacent molecules will be biologically meaningful
  - Other interactions will be *crystallisation artefacts* (don't occur in nature)
- How can we identify and characterise ***biologically meaningful*** protein interactions?

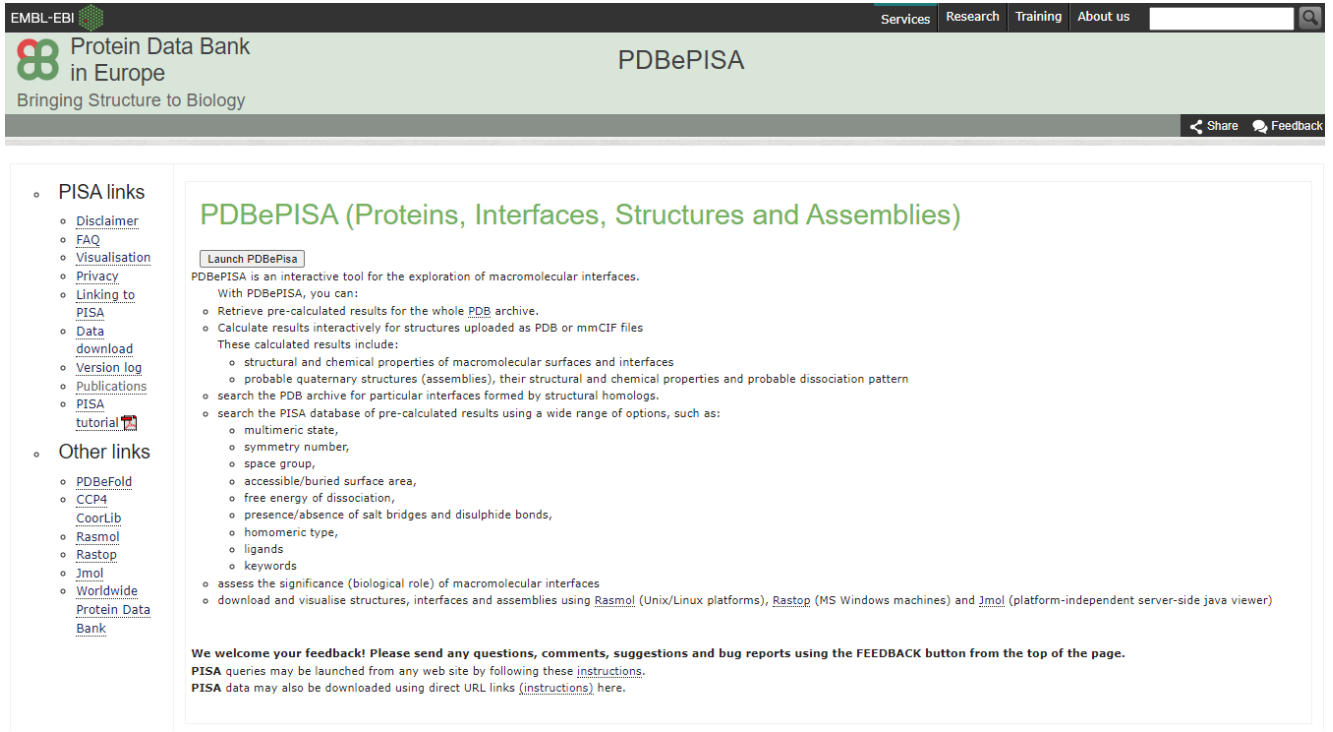


Inspecting protein interaction interfaces – PDBePISA

- PDBePISA server

https://www.ebi.ac.uk/pdbe/pisa/pistart.html

- Analyses the Gibbs free energy (ΔG) gained or lost by complex formation, plus the size and shape of the interaction



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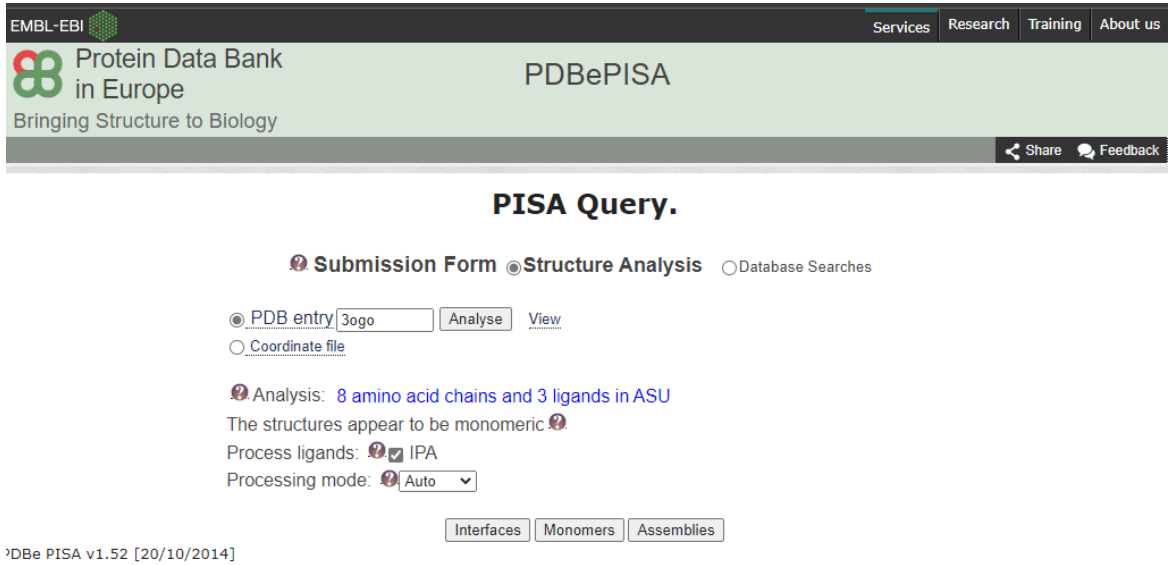

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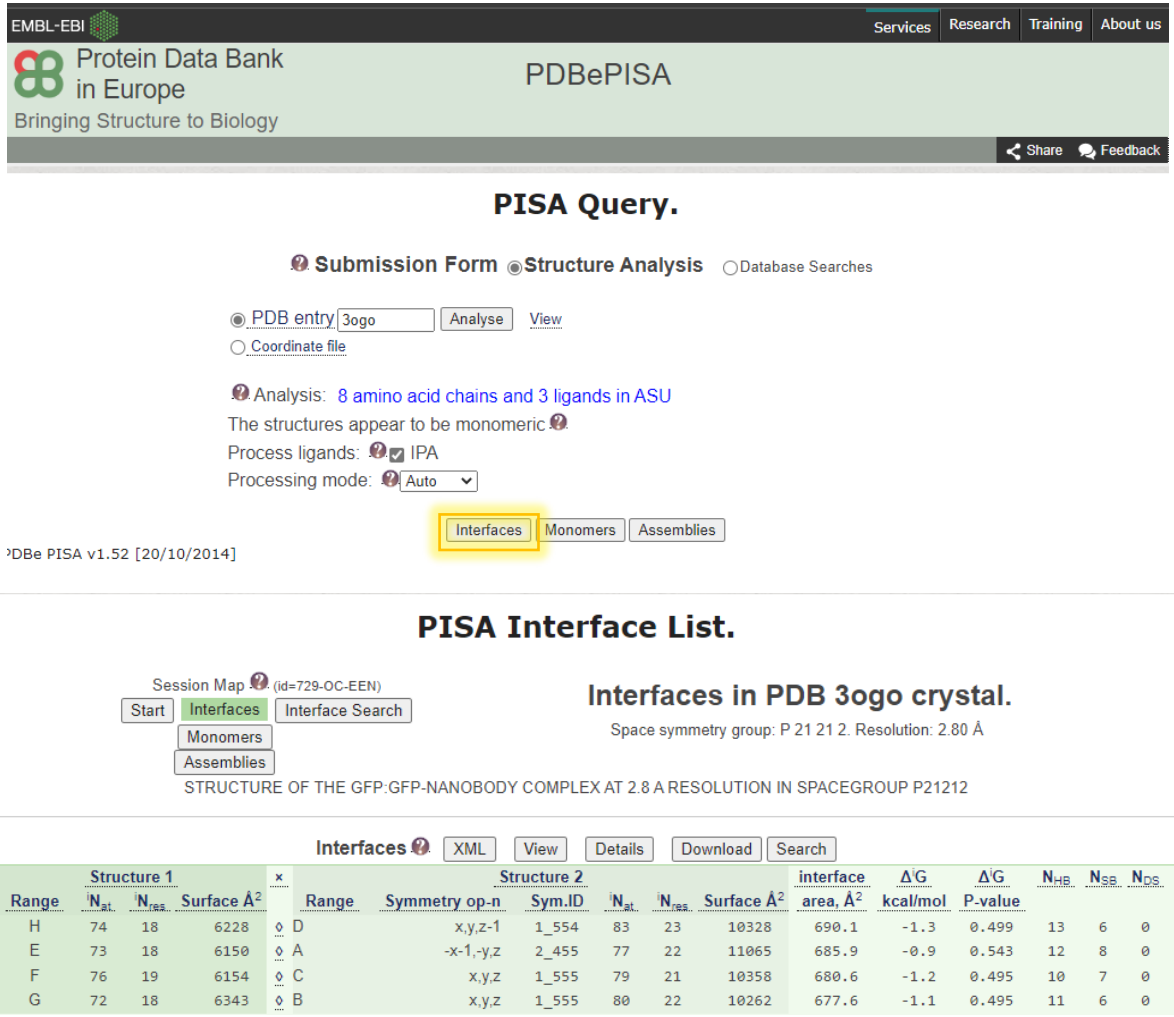
- Analyse any structure from PDB
- Analysing ***interfaces***
  - Extent of interaction
  - Number of hydrogen bonds, salt bridges and disulfide bonds
  - Amount of energy gained/lost by burying interface
    - Hiding residues from solvent
  - Suggests which interactions are biologically meaningful CSS score (not always correct)



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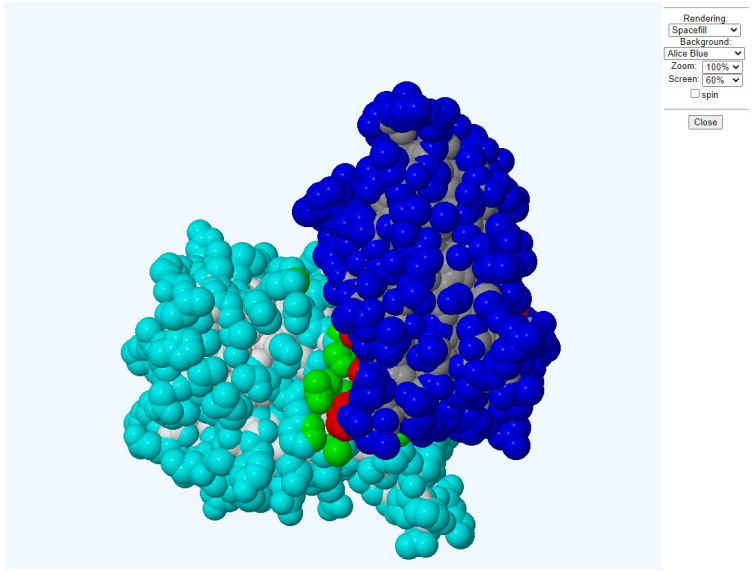

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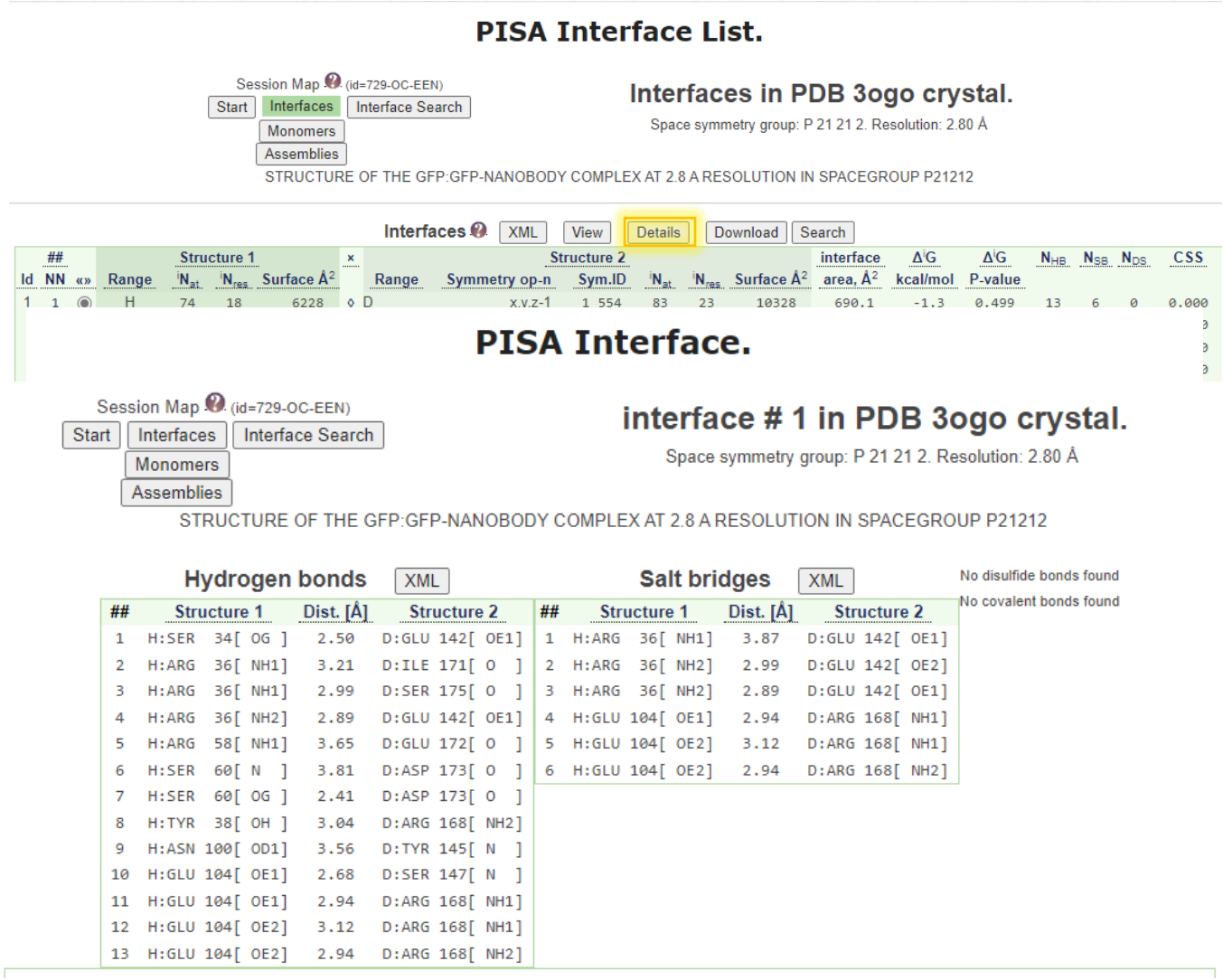

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Salt bridges XML

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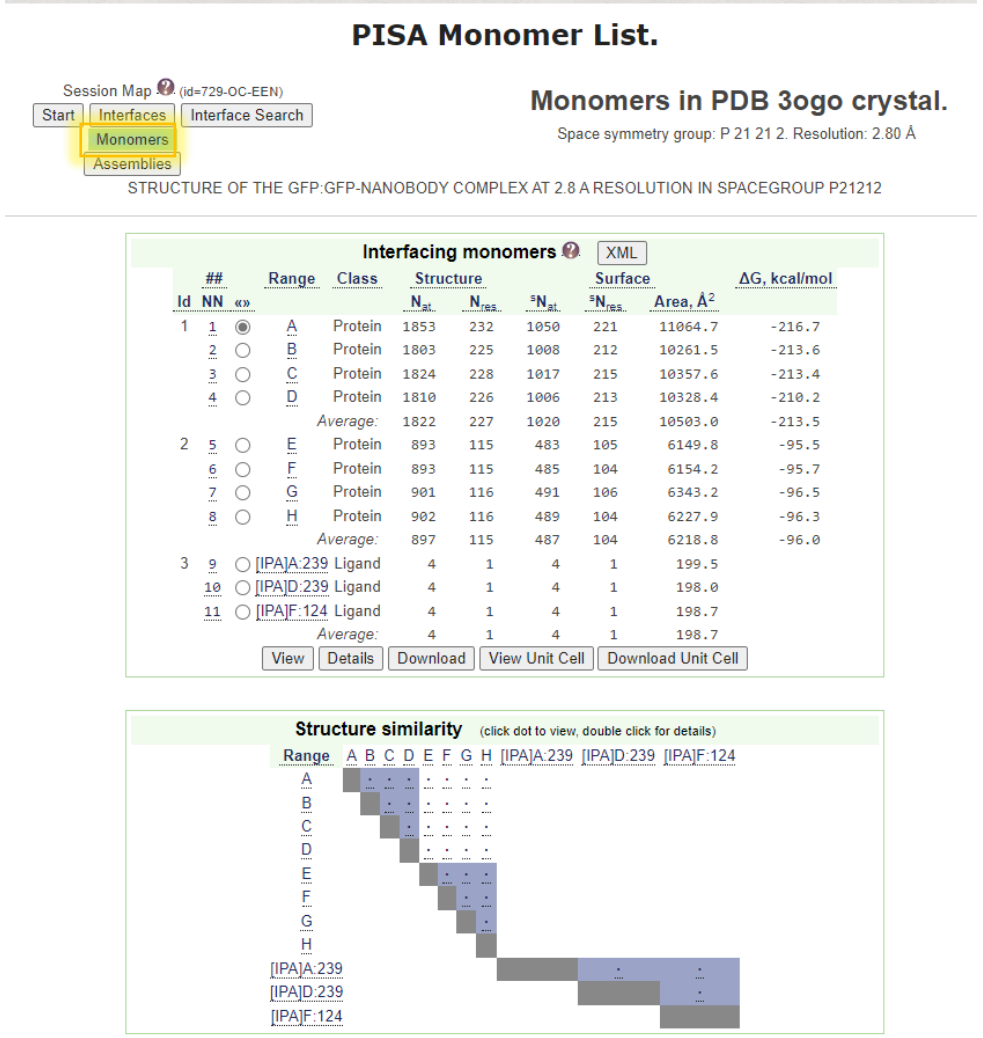

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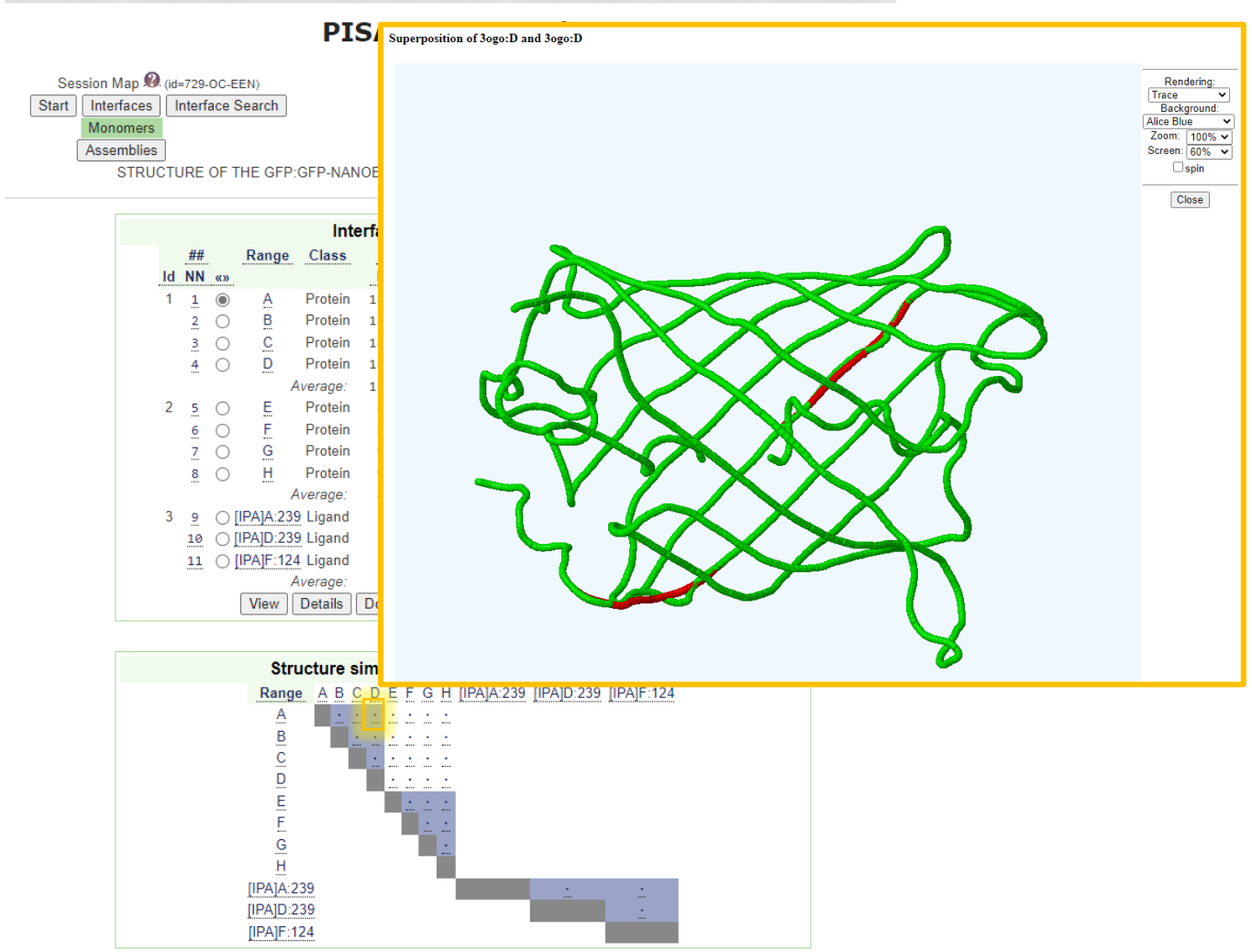

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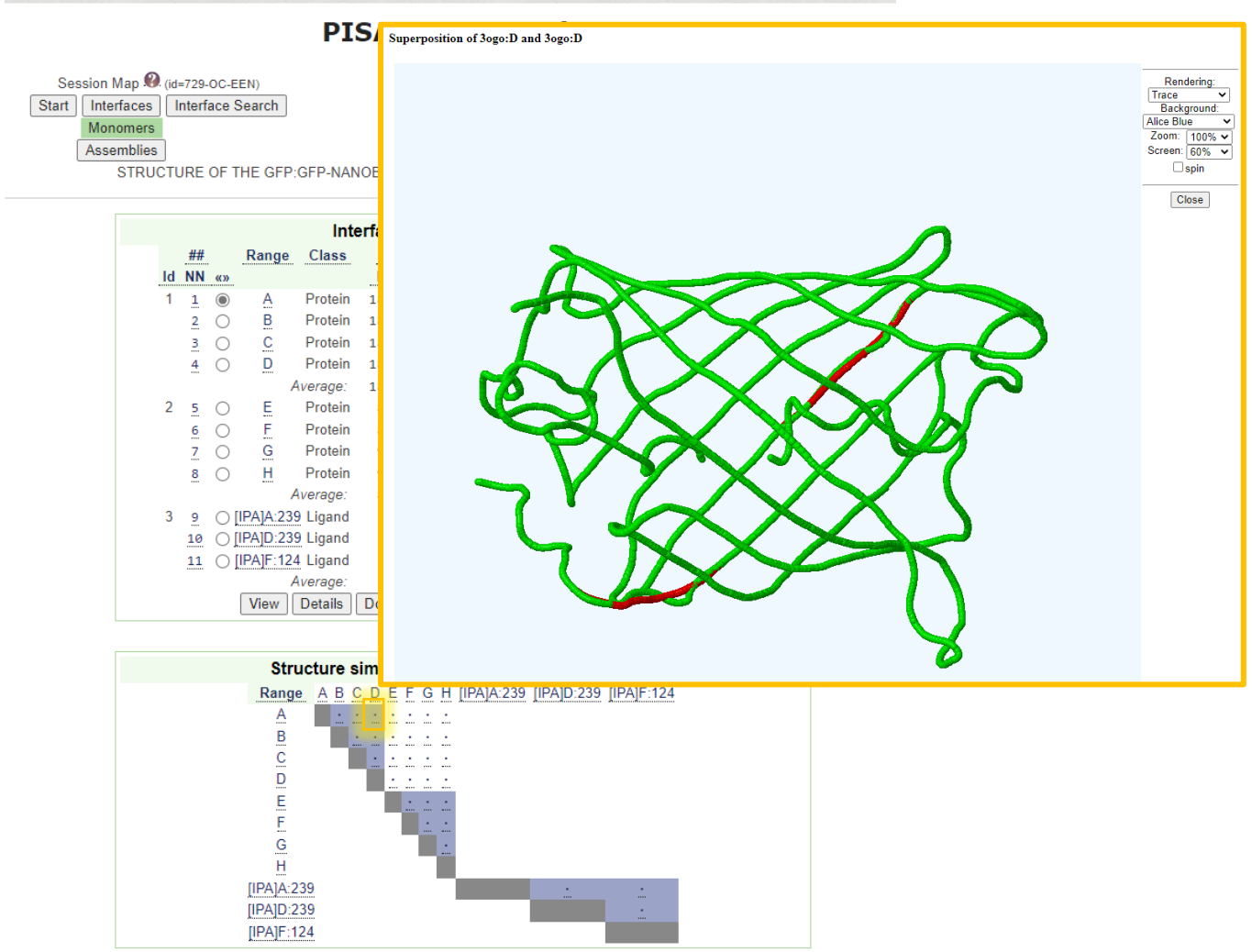

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- Mapping properties onto proteins
- Accessing protein structures
- Software for viewing protein structures
- Analysing structural similarity
- Inspecting protein interfaces

Tomorrow: How do we determine protein structures?