Defining accurate macromolecular structures, conformations, & assemblies in solution

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by x-ray solution scattering combined with crystallography & computation

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Advanced Light Source

SIBYLS

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Huge increases in X-ray Flux, Brightness and Brilliance vs
lab X-ray source
Control of key parameters (Beam divergence, Spectral band path, Wavelength and energy resolution)



Idea - cell decision points: use reversible complexes, modified molecules, & molecular machines So use combined SAXS & MX * Check conformation of fulllength molecules * Characterize changes allowing super-efficiency * Clarify solution architectures



SIBYLS-BL: Small Angle X-ray Scattering & Crystallography Berkeley Lab ALS beamline



Bridge from sequences and mutations to functions, phenotypes & cellular outcomes





QuickTime[™] and a YUV420 codec decompressor are needed to see this picture.

SAXS with nano-gold labeled DNA

50 base pair DNA labeled at both ends with 66Å gold



Measured Signals varying NaCl



• Gold labeled DNA provides excellent signal for time resolved work (~1ms)

- Excellent tool for deciphering macromolecular manipulation of DNA
- A variety of functionalized gold surfaces enable protein labeling as well
- Collaboration with Alivisatos Lab: Shelley Claridge

SAXS with nano-gold labeled DNA

Fourier transform of measured SAXS data



With 100mM NaCI:

 Gold-Gold distance shifts by 12Å (0.24Å/base)

 Broader 2nd peak indicating a larger variety of gold distances: flexing of DNA

What is the structure of DNA? Rosalind Franklin Useful resolution - depends upon the question

Rosalind Franklin viewing her DNA crystals -1952



Diffraction photo by R. E. Franklin and R. G. Gosling of the Sodium salt of calfthymus B-DNA



SAXS resolution & structural features

Oligomerization states?

Domain conformations?

Structural fluctuations?

BioEnergy Technologies & Science Integrated Efficiently (BETSIE) Rhotobacter capsulatus 1 µm Botryococcus braunii Clostridium thermoaceticum carbon fixation, hydrogen, & hydrocarbons C30 botryococcene

Wood-Ljungdahl pathway: reduce greenhouse gases by converting carbon dioxide to acetyl-CoA



- ancient pathway-use CO and H₂ as energy source and CO₂ as electron acceptor 1 billion years before O₂
- catalytic efficiencies up to 40,000 mol CO per mol enzyme per second.
- 100 million tons of CO removed from lower atmosphere by bacterial oxidation every year.



Solution structure modeling of mini-cellulosome -Cellulosic biomass to biofuels



Hammel et al., 2005

Solution structure modeling of minicellulosome

Rigid body modeling using molecular dynamics

Molecular dynamics is used for exploring of the conformational space of the subdomains protein-complex.









MAGGIE - Native PCs, MPs, metabolites 2x4L MC Grown in Berkeley

4 x 500L Fermentors Grown in Athens

2x4L MC Grown in **Berkeley** Live Pellets sent to GA 20L Culture Grown In GA

500L Fermentor Sulfolobus 27Feb07 (Run1)

> 1.5 Kilograms Sulfolobus 3x 500L

Rob Rambo (Turning Knobs)

PCNA & ligase SAXS - interface exchange & conformation



Putting the machinery together with SAXS

Modeled Complex

A flexible interface between DNA ligase and a heterotrimeric sliding clamp supports conformational switching and efficient ligation of DNA. Pascal JM, Tsodikov OV, Hura GL, Song W, Cotner EA, Classen S, Tomkinson AE, Tainer JA, and Ellenberger T, *Molecular Cell*, 2006.



Interface Exchange choreography - partners, timing, steps, handoffs, and dynamic movements

- Very high effective molarity by localization
- Scale mechanical forces
 but friction & drag insignificant
- Binding energy drives conformational changes between functional states
- Domain rotations plus disorder-order transitions & deformations allow "magical super efficiency" compared to typical machines & tissue

SAXS-MX-Computation combo for dynamic interfaces & conformations



Assembly Machinery? Type IV Pilus (T4P) Membrane & Fiber **Protein Assembly** System L. Craig et al., (2006) Molecular Cell 23:651-62. Testing the Assembly model - how do the secretion super family **ATPases function to** efficiently assemble and disassemble T4P, secrete toxins & assemble archaeal flagella?

T4P Membrane & Fiber Protein Machine Systems keys to pathogenicity & protein secretion machines



How do secretion super family ATPases act in their secretion & assembly functions?

What is the structure of the assembly ATPase hexamer in solution?

В

Α

С

Test by imaging assemblies in solution by SAXS at the SIBYLS beam line at the ALS







A unified mechanism explains secretion super family ATPase function to efficiently assemble and disassemble T4P SAXS is useful to define solution conformations & mechanisms for assembly machinery for large complexes



DNA Repair: the major missed aspect of the double helix





DNA Repair key to metabolism, transcription, replication, & cell cycle

Base damage and ssDNA breaks create DNA double-strand breaks (DSBs) whenever the genome is replicated







ATM activation via MRN conformational change



MR hierarchical composition from SAXS and crystallography





Double-Stand Break repair: MRN on first

Conformational controls Interface mimicry Interface exchange (Lessons from BER and RCR - apply to HRR)

DNA-dependent Protein Kinase (DNA-PKcs) SAXS solution structure



SAXS solution structure of DNA-dependent Protein Kinase (DNA-PKcs) vs cryo-EM reconstruction



SAXS solution structure of Ku dimer) vs cryo-EM reconstruction

SAXS - Rigid body modeling of KU 70/80 show the extended feature of Ku70 Cterminus (SAP)

→Six rigid body models revealed the possible flexibility of the KU70 CTR (SAP)
 →KU80 CTR have been found on the two main location due to symmetrical structure of the KU7080

• KU70 CTR (SAP) • KU80 CTR • KU70/80 • dummy beads - reconstructed linkers





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