

Sources of data in experimental structural biology: CryoEM, X-ray crystallography

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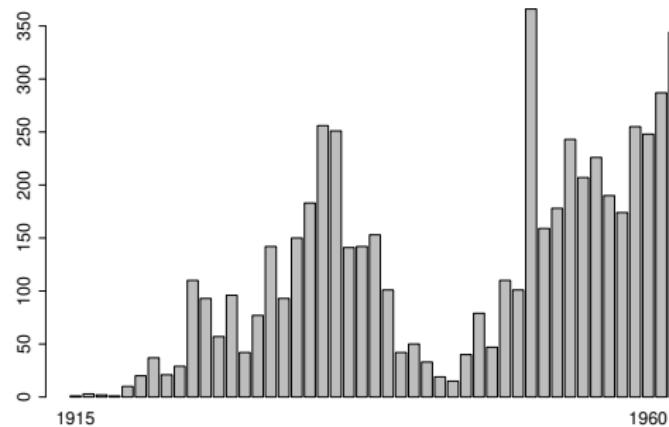
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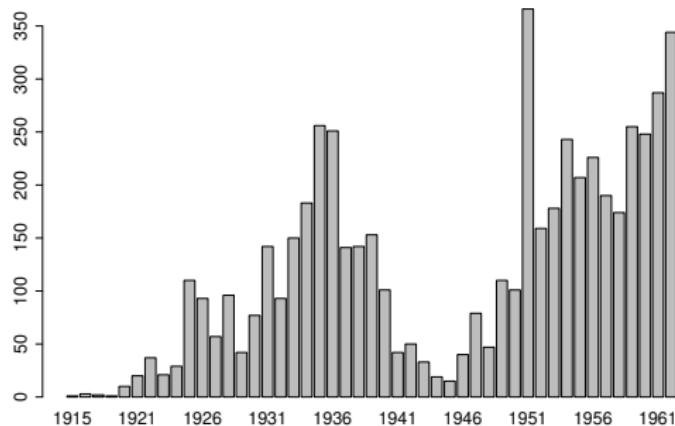
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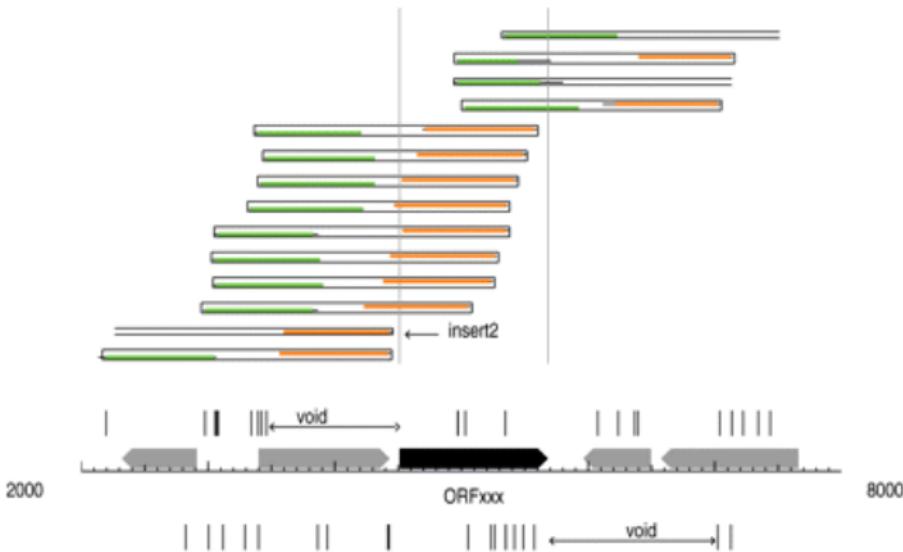
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Discoveries in „raw“ data

Zheng from the NEB team lead by Roberts used the raw sequencing data to discover *active* restriction endonucleases (Zheng et al. 2008):



Importance of data

A group from China made a discovery biochemical pathways for drug addiction without even making and experiment (Li et al. 2008):

The screenshot shows a research article page from PLOS Computational Biology. The article title is "Genes and (Common) Pathways Underlying Drug Addiction" by Chuan-Yun Li, Xizeng Mao, Liping Wei, et al. It was published on January 4, 2008. The page includes sections for Article, Authors, Metrics, Comments, and Related Content. On the right, there are metrics: 159 Save, 93 Citation, 52,365 View, and 2 Share. There are also buttons for Download PDF, Print, and Share. A "Check for updates" button is present, along with a "Subject Areas" section featuring "Addiction".

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RESEARCH ARTICLE

Genes and (Common) Pathways Underlying Drug Addiction

Chuan-Yun Li, Xizeng Mao, Liping Wei

Published: January 4, 2008 • <http://dx.doi.org/10.1371/journal.pcbi.0040002>

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Abstract

Author Summary

Introduction

Results

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Abstract

Drug addiction is a serious worldwide problem with strong genetic and environmental influences. Different technologies have revealed a variety of genes and pathways underlying addiction; however, each individual technology can be biased and incomplete. We integrated

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Subject Areas

Addiction

<http://slidegur.com/doc/3077570/introducing-bioinformatics-databases>



Amounts of data

High Energy Physics

- LHC generates 1 Terabyte per second.

<http://blogs.discovermagazine.com/cosmicvariance/2006/09/27/lhc-factoids/>
2009-12-07

- „When it starts in 2007 the LHC will ... produce 15 million Gigabytes of data a year“ ($15 \text{ PB/year} \approx 15 \times 10^{15} \text{ bytes/year}$ – S.G.)

<http://www.physorg.com/news10895.html>
2009-12-07

Amounts of data

Sequences

- „Release 57.11 of 24-Nov-09 of UniProtKB/Swiss-Prot contains 512994 sequence entries, comprising 180531504 amino acids abstracted from 184920 references.“ (1.81×10^8 a.r., 5.13×10^5 sekų – S.G.)
<http://www.expasy.ch/sprot/relnotes/relstat.html>
2009-12-07
- „As of Tuesday Dec 01, 2009 at 4 PM PST there are 61808 Structures“
<http://www.rcsb.org/pdb/statistics/holdings.do>
2009-12-07

Amounts of data

Crystallography

- „Cambridge Structural Database 1 January 2010 Total No. of structures 501857“
<http://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/products/csd/statistics/>
2010-12-20
- „Currently there are 126492 entries in the COD“
<http://www.crystallography.net/>
2010-12-20
- „Currently there are 509531 entry in the COD“
<http://www.crystallography.net/>
2024-01-03

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 - <https://www.crystallography.net/cod/1544162.html>
 - <https://www.pdb.org/pdb/files/1KNV.cif>
 - <https://www.rcsb.org/structure/2IXS>

The Protein Data Bank

Three major repositories in different continents, governed by the wwPDB consortium:

<https://www.wwpdb.org/>

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Worldwide Protein Data Bank (wwPDB) at <https://www.wwpdb.org/>. The page features a green header with the wwPDB logo and navigation links for VALIDATION, DEPOSITION, DICTIONARIES, DOCUMENTATION, TASK FORCES, FTP, STATISTICS, and ABOUT. A banner on the right side of the header reads "Celebrating 50 Years of the PDB". The main content area includes a "Celebrating 50 Years of the PDB" section with text about the archive's history and the wwPDB organization. Below this are three main sections: "Vision and Mission", "wwPDB Resources", and "News & Announcements". The "Vision and Mission" section details the mission to make biological macromolecules freely accessible. The "wwPDB Resources" section lists various dictionaries and task forces. The "News & Announcements" section highlights recent events like November Workshops on Open-Source Tools for Chemistry and an Obituary for John Westbrook.

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Since 1971, the Protein Data Bank archive (PDB) has served as the single repository of information about the 3D structures of proteins, nucleic acids, and complex assemblies.

The Worldwide PDB (wwPDB) organization manages the PDB Archive and ensures that the PDB is freely and publicly available to the global community.

Celebrating 50 Years of the PDB

Vision and Mission

Mission

■ Manage the wwPDB Core Archives as a public good according to the PDB Principles.

■ Provide expert deposition, validation, biocuration, and remediation services at no charge to Data Depositors worldwide.

■ Ensure universal open access to public domain structural biology data with no limitations on usage.

■ Develop and promote community-endorsed data standards for archiving and exchange of global structural biology data.

wwPDB Members

Protein Data Bank Japan

Supports browsing in multiple languages such as Japanese, Chinese, and Korean; SeSAW identifiers

wwPDB Resources

Data Dictionaries

- › Macromolecular Dictionary (PDBx/mmCIF)
- › Small Molecule Dictionary (CCD)
- › Peptide-like antibiotic and inhibitor molecules (BIRD)

Biocuration

- › Procedures and policies
- › Improvements for consistency and accuracy

Community Input: Task Forces and Working Groups

- › Validation Task Forces (X-ray, NMR, 3DEM)
- › Small Angle Scattering Task Force
- › PDBx/mmCIF Working Group
- › Hybrid/Integrative Methods Task Force
- › Ligand Validation Workshop

POB Data Growth & Usage Statistics

- › Depositions: by data center, by year, and by depositor location
- › Downloads: by year for all entries

Validate Structure
or View validation reports

Deposit Structure
All Deposition Resources

Download Archive
Instructions

News & Announcements

11/02/2021
› November Workshops on Open-Source Tools for Chemistry

Join the Royal Society of Chemistry for two webinars on Protein Data Bank at 50: Assessing, Understanding, and Assessing PDB Data

Read more

10/27/2021
› Obituary for John Westbrook

John D. Westbrook Jr. (1957-2021) passed away on October 18, 2021. He was incredibly beloved and respected by his colleagues at Rutgers and throughout the world, known for his dry wit and endless enthusiasm for thinking about all aspects of

The Protein Data Bank: RCSB PDB

<https://www.rcsb.org/>

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A Structural View of Biology

This resource is powered by the Protein Data Bank archive—information about the 3D shapes of proteins, nucleic acids, and complex assemblies that helps students and researchers understand all aspects of biomedicine and agriculture, from protein synthesis to health and disease.

As a member of the wwPDB, the RCSB PDB curates and annotates PDB data.

The RCSB PDB builds upon the data by creating tools and resources for research and education in molecular biology, structural biology, computational biology, and beyond.

COVID-19 CORONAVIRUS Resources

Celebrating 50 YEARS OF Protein Data Bank

November Molecule of the Month

Acetohydroxyacid Synthase

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The Protein Data Bank: PDBe

<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/pdbe/>

The screenshot shows the PDBe website homepage. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for Services, Research, Training, and About us. A search bar is also present. Below the header, there's a main content area with a banner for the 'New PDBe-KB COVID-19 Data Portal'. This portal is described as bringing together all available PDB data from SARS-CoV-2 structures to support the development of treatments and vaccines. Below this, there's a section for 'Featured structure' showing a cat, with a link to 'Read more...'. Another section highlights the '3D-Beacons Network: protein structure data, all in one place', dated 16 September, 2021. There's also a 'Events' section stating 'There is no upcoming events found. You can view the past events by clicking here'. On the right side, there's a 'Popular' sidebar with links to various PDBe services and a 'Latest archive statistics' section. The bottom right features a 3D molecular model.

The Protein Data Bank: PDBj

<https://pdbj.org/>

The screenshot shows the PDBj homepage with the following sections:

- Top Bar:** Includes links for Crystallography Open, Theoretical Crystallization, JCC "davtest" at Dali, Introducing Bioinformatic, Linked COVID-19 Data, RCSB PDB Worldwide, RCSB PDB Homepage, PDBj home > EMBL-EBI, and PDBj top page - Protein Data Bank Japan.
- Header:** Features the PDBj logo (a stylized brain icon) and the text "184202 PDB entries from 2023-11-17".
- Search Bar:** A search bar with the placeholder "Search pdbj.org" and a magnifying glass icon.
- Language Options:** English, 日本語, 简体中文, 繁體中文, 한국어.
- Left Sidebar:** Includes links for Home, About PDBj, Find the service you need, Download, Standard format, Quick links, and Search services.
- About PDBj:** Describes PDBj as a project team operating under the Joint Usage and Research activities of the Institute for Protein Research, Osaka University. It mentions the single global PDB/BMRB/EMDB archives of macromolecular structures and integrated tools, in collaboration with RCSB PDB in the USA, BMRB in the EU, and EMDB in the EU. PDBj is supported by JST-NBDC and AHED-BENDS. The new logo design incorporates cytochrome c (PDBID: 1CSC), which was the first structure determined in Japan.
- Find the service you need:** A section for deposition (OneDep) and download, featuring checkboxes for PDB, BMRB, EMDB, search, deposition, viewer, education/dictionary, and various search filters like electron microscopy, secondary structure, sequence, function prediction, chemical component, structure prediction, binding site, surface structure, 3D structure, gene, genome, RDF, SPARQL, drug, and motif.
- Latest news:** A list of recent news items:
 - 2023-11-17: 226 new PDB entries have been released on 2023-11-17.
 - 2023-11-05: November 24, 2023 (Wed), "PDB50 Anniversary Symposium in Asia" will be held online.
 - 2023-11-03: [wwwPDB] November Workshops on Open-Source Tools for Chemistry.
 - 2023-10-28: [wwwPDB] Obituary for John Westbrook.
 - 2023-10-20: [wwwPDB] PDB50 Anniversary Symposium in Asia.
 - 2023-10-13: [wwwPDB] Bicentennial Milestone: >10,000 Depositions Processed.
 - 2023-09-25: [wwwPDB] PDBx/mmCIF data files to include PI information.
- Molecule of the Month:** Features Acetohydroxyacid Synthase (PDB ID: 263).
- Article List:** A link to the Article List.
- PROTEIN DATA BANK:** Includes a logo and a link to the RCSB PDB.
- Hot Structural News on COVID-19:** A link to the Hot Structural News on COVID-19.
- EM Navigator:** A link to the Electron Microscopy Navigator.
- BMRB:** A link to the Biological Magnetic Resonance Data Bank.
- EMDB:** A link to the Electron Microscopy Data Bank.

The Protein Data Bank: the FTP site

<http://ftp.wwpdb.org/pub/pdb/> [accessed: 2021]

<https://files.wwpdb.org/pub/pdb/> [accessed: 2024-01-03T07:56+00:00]

PDB - FTP Archive over HTTP

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README	2016-03-16 06:54	1.1K
welcome.msg	2007-06-29 06:45	1.0K

For more information about PDB file downloads please see the wwPDB website.



PDB contents

PDB contains macromolecular structures solved by:

- X-ray crystallography
- CryoEM
- NMR

The AlphaFold prediction database

<https://deepmind.com/research/open-source/alphafold-protein-structure-database>

The screenshot shows the DeepMind website with a blue sidebar containing links like About, Research, Impact, Blog, Safety & Ethics, and Careers. The main content area has a green header with the DeepMind logo and a search bar. Below the header, there's a section for 'OPENSOURCE' with a date '22 JUL 2021'. A 'SHARE' section includes social media icons for Twitter, Facebook, and LinkedIn. Below that are 'OPEN SOURCE LINKS' with buttons for 'VIEW SOURCE', 'VIEW BLOG POST', and 'VIEW PUBLICATIONS'. A 'FURTHER READING' section has a 'Sources' button. The main content area features a large title 'AlphaFold Protein Structure Database' and a paragraph about the AI system's performance at CASP14. It also mentions a partnership with EMBL to create the database. The text continues to describe the initial release of the database and its future expansion. At the bottom, there's a call for feedback and a link to the Uniref50 database.

DeepMind > Research > AlphaFold Protein Structure Database

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AlphaFold Protein Structure Database

AlphaFold is our AI system that predicts a protein's 3D structure from its amino acid sequence. In CASP14, AlphaFold was the top-ranked protein structure prediction method by a large margin, producing predictions with high accuracy, many of which are competitive with experimentally-determined measurements.

We've partnered with Europe's flagship laboratory for life sciences – EMBL's European Bioinformatics Institute (EMBL-EBI) – to create the AlphaFold Protein Structure Database to make these predictions freely available to the scientific community.

The initial release of the database covers all of the 20,000 proteins in the human proteome, along with the proteomes of several other biologically significant organisms, from E. coli to yeast, and from the fruit fly to the mouse. In the coming months we plan to expand the database to cover a large proportion of all the 100 million proteins catalogued in the Uniref50 database.

The AlphaFold Protein Structure Database will continue to expand over time, so if you can't find what you're looking for right now, please follow DeepMind and EMBL-EBI's social channels for updates. In the meantime, you can use the AlphaFold source code to predict the structures of proteins not yet in the AlphaFold DB, and the Colab notebook to run individual sequences.

We would love to hear your feedback and understand how AlphaFold has been useful in your research. Share your stories at alphafold@deepmind.com.

<https://deepmind.com/>

“Our models are trained on structures extracted from the PDB” (Senior et al. 2020).

Raw diffraction data

<https://proteindiffraction.org/>

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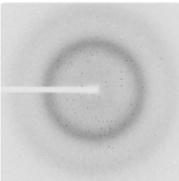
NIH National Institutes of Health
Office of the Director
Data Science at NIH

Integrated Resource for Reproducibility in Macromolecular Crystallography

This project is being funded by the Targeted Software Development award 1 U01 HG008424-01 as part of the BD2K (Big Data to Knowledge) program of the National Institute of Health. The project is developing tools for "wrangling" data from protein diffraction experiments. We are also creating a growing repository of diffraction experiments used to determine protein structures in the PDB, contributed by the CSGID, SSGCID, JCSG, MSGS, SQC, and other large-scale projects, as well as individual research laboratories.

Currently indexed projects: 5815

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Search examples

FEBS Journal Journal of Internal Medicine PROTEIN SCIENCE IUCr

Created by Minor lab at University of Virginia

Raw diffraction data

<https://data.sbggrid.org/>

The screenshot shows the SBGrid Data Bank homepage. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for "Data", "About", "Get Help", "For Depositors", and a search icon. Below the navigation bar, the title "The SBGrid Data Bank" is displayed, along with a logo featuring a red shield with white symbols. A section below the title provides information about the datasets, mentioning X-ray diffraction, MicroED, LLSM datasets, and structural models. It also encourages visitors to access the Laboratory and Institutional Collections and deposit datasets. Two blue buttons, "VIEW DATA" and "DEPOSIT DATA", are located on the right. Below this, a dark banner displays statistics: "669 Datasets", "91 Institutions", and "581 Structures". The main content area features three sections: "Deposit" (with an icon of a stack of coins), "Explore" (with an icon of a computer monitor), and "Cite" (with an icon of a document). Each section has a brief description. Below these sections, a heading "RECENTLY PUBLISHED DATASETS" is followed by four small images representing different datasets.

The SBGrid Data Bank

SBGrid Data Bank

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Share your data with the community. Every dataset deposited with SBDP receives a unique DOI and its own landing page here.

Explore

Browse all published datasets and download via rsync.

Cite

Give credit to the data used in your research. Every dataset published with SBDP generates its own citation to be used within manuscripts.

RECENTLY PUBLISHED DATASETS

Small angle scattering database

<https://www.sasbdb.org/>

The screenshot shows the SASBDB homepage. At the top, there's a search bar and a navigation menu with links for Home, Browse, Submit data, About SASBDB, and Help. A banner at the top states: "Curated repository for small angle scattering data and models". Below this, a section titled "Recent depositions:" lists several entries with small-angle scattering (SAXS) plots, protein structures, and experimental details. One entry is for "SASDKY3 - Minimal trans Varkud Satellite (VS) ribozyme in 5mM MgCl₂". Another entry is for "LDLs linker region of human C". There are also sections for "Browse the contents according to:" with four pie charts showing distribution by source (Human, Other), protein type (Protein, Non-protein), disorder status (Disordered, Orderly), and polarity (Polarized, Non-polarized).

Electron microscopy densities

<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/emdb/>

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Electron Microscopy Data Bank (EMDB). At the top, there's a navigation bar with links to EMBL-EBI, Services, Research, Training, About us, and EMBL-EBI logo. Below the header is a search bar with placeholder text "Enter your search term(s) in the box below or build an advanced search query" and a search button. A small example search result "Examples: 1091, Apoterrin, Tomography, Rossmann MG, 5A1A" is shown below the search bar.

The main content area features a large green banner with the EMDB logo and the text "EMDB Electron Microscopy Data Bank". Below this, a message states: "EMDB (the Electron Microscopy Data Bank) is a public repository for electron cryo-microscopy maps and tomograms of macromolecular complexes and subcellular structures. It covers a variety of techniques, including single-particle analysis, electron tomography, sub-tomogram averaging, fibre diffraction and electron crystallography. [More...](#)".

A green box at the bottom left indicates: "As of 17 November 2021, EMDB contains 17470 entries ([latest entries](#), [trends](#))."

The "EMDB News" section contains several bullet points:

- waPDB is switching to version 3 of the EMDB data model. From 9 February 2022 the old data model (v1.9.6) will no longer be supported. Read the [waPDB announcement](#) for more details.
- EMDB now has a [dedicated Talks & Tutorials page](#) where we have collected short videos that introduce key functionality of the new website as well as recorded talks from EMDB staff.
- EMDB has also moved to a new location. [What do I need to know?](#)

On the right side, there's a "Quick Links" sidebar with links to EMDB Policies, Talks & Tutorials, EMDB Citations, EMPIAR, PDBe, BioImage Archive, EMDDataResource, EM Navigator, and 3D EM History.

The "Recent Entries" section shows a thumbnail of a density map with the identifier "EMD-25263" and the text "[1/120]".

At the bottom, there are four large buttons: "Browse EMDB" (blue), "EMDB statistics" (yellow), "SARS-CoV-2 entries" (green), and "Deposit data" (red).

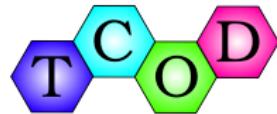
The footer includes a "Explore EMDB" section and a "Sources of Data" section, along with standard footer links and icons.

COD and TCOD databases

What is COD and TCOD?



<http://www.crystallography.net/cod>
> 480 000 entries



<http://www.crystallography.net/tcod>
> 2900 entries (ready to grow to > 10^7 ?)



<http://mpod.cimav.edu.mx/>
> 300 entries



<http://www.crystallography.net/pcod>
> 10^6 entries (ready to grow to > 10^8 ?)



<http://solsa.crystallography.net/rod/>
> 1100 entries

(Gražulis et al. 2009; Gražulis et al. 2012; Pepponi et al. 2012; Fuentes-Cobas et al. 2017; Mendili et al. 2019)

The COD database

The COD (<https://www.crystallography.net/>) is the largest to-date open access database of *experimental* crystal structures (Gražulis et al. 2009; Gražulis et al. 2012)

- Contains crystal data for compounds:
 - organic
 - metal-organic and organometallic
 - inorganic (including minerals, also from AMCSd)
- experimentally determined structures
- covers most peer-reviewed journals, updated daily
- over **500 000** records at the moment
- curated, both automatically and manually
- versioned

A typical COD record

<http://www.crystallography.net/cod/1559914.html> (deposited 2021-11-21)



Crystallography Open Database

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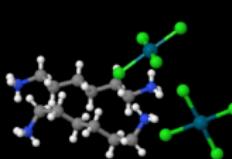
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Information card for entry 1559914

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Preview



JSmol

Chemical name	hexane-1,6-diamminium tetrachloro-palladium(ii)
Formula	C ₆ H ₁₈ C ₁₄ N ₂ Pd
Calculated formula	C ₆ H ₁₈ C ₁₄ N ₂ Pd
Title of publication	Experimental and Theoretical Evidence of Attractive Interactions between Dianions: [PdCl ₄] ²⁻ ...[PdCl ₄] ²⁻
Authors of publication	Zierkiewicz, Wiktor; Michalczyk, Mariusz; Maris, Thierry; Wysokinski, Rafal; Scheiner, Steve
Journal of publication	Chemical Communications
Year of publication	2021
a	7.2281 ± 0.0007 Å
b	8.1281 ± 0.0005 Å
c	11.7212 ± 0.0012 Å



CIF – Crystallographic Interchange Framework

Created and maintained by the International Union of Crystallography, IUCr (Hall et al. 1991).

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;
_publ_journal_issue          6
_publ_journal_name_full      'Acta Crystallographica Section B'
_publ_journal_page_first      764
_publ_journal_page_last       769
_publ_journal_volume          48
_publ_journal_year            1992
_chemical_compound_source    'synthetic, from a mixture of KF:KMoO4:BaTiO3'
_chemical_formula_sum         'Ba O3 Ti'
_chemical_formula_weight      233.24
_symmetry_cell_setting       tetragonal
_symmetry_space_group_name_Hall 'P 4 -2'
_symmetry_space_group_name_H-M 'P 4 m m'
_cell_length_a                3.9998(8)
_cell_length_b                3.9998(8)
_cell_length_c                4.0180(8)
```

Semantic descriptions

- CIF – dictionaries
- XML, JSON – schemas
- SQL – schemas
- Semantic networks (RDF);

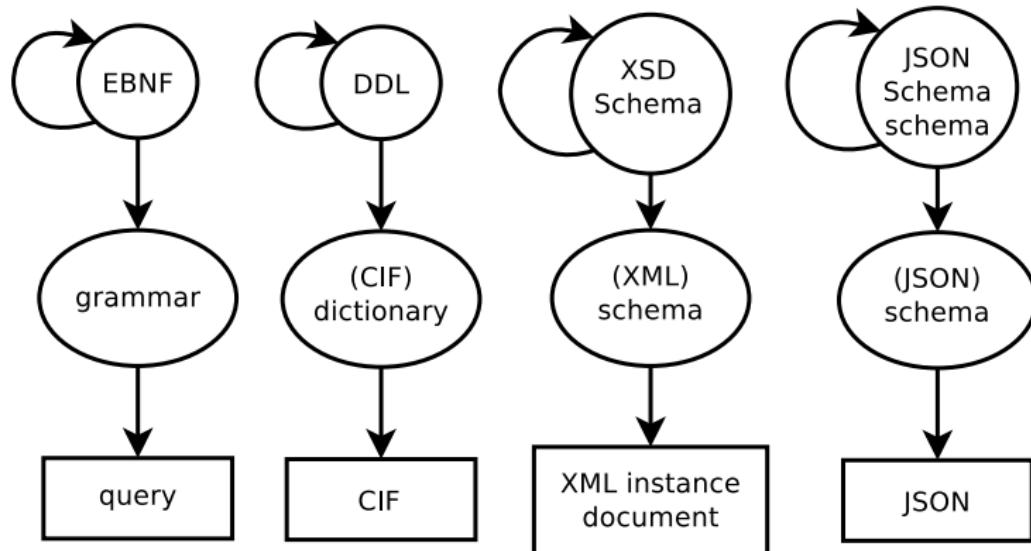
Controlled vocabularies

examples/dictionaries/cif-core-example.cif:

```
data_cell_length_
  loop_ _name          '_cell_length_a'
                           '_cell_length_b'
                           '_cell_length_c'
  _category              cell
  _type                  numb
  _type_conditions       esd
  _enumeration_range    0.0:
  _units                 A
  _units_detail          'angstroms'
  _definition           ;
                         Unit-cell lengths in angstroms corresponding to the structure
                         reported. The values of _refln_index_h, *_k, *_l must
                         correspond to the cell defined by these values and _cell_angle_
                         values. The values of _diffrn_refln_index_h, *_k, *_l may not
                         correspond to these values if a cell transformation took place
                         following the measurement of the diffraction intensities. See
                         also _diffrn_reflns_transf_matrix_.
;
```

Self-describing data

Three levels are always enough!



Quality criteria

- IUCr quality criteria
 - IUCr list of data validation criteria
<ftp://ftp.iucr.org/pub/dvntests>
 - IUCr requirements for publications
- COD quality criteria
 - ✓✓ Correct syntax;
 - ✓ Validation using data dictionaries;
 - ✓ Validation using data statistics;
 - ✓ Validation using first physical principles;

IUCr data validation criteria

IUCr criteria example (<ftp://ftp.iucr.org/pub/dvntests>):

data validation criteria

AUTO CHECK LIST-Version: 2000.06.09

Full list of validation algorithms

CHECK: [CHEMS] _chemical_formula_sum

TESTS:

1. in the order C, H followed by alphabetic [CHEMS_01]
2. classify as organic, inorganic, metal-organic [CHEMS_02]

EXAMPLE(S): 'C18 H19 N7 O8 S'

CHECK: [CHEMW] _chemical_formula_weight

FORMAT: F.2

TESTS:

1. agrees with _chemical_formula_sum [CHEMW_01]
2. agrees with _atom_site_data [CHEMW_03]

COD data checks

COD data validation policy:

- ① Syntax checks:

```
$ cifparse 7234818.cif
```

- ② Semantic (dictionary) checks:

```
$ cif_validate -D cif_core.dic 7234818.cif
```

- ③ Database specific tests:

```
$ cif_cod_check 7234818.cif
```

COD data deposition Web site

The screenshot shows a web-based interface for data deposition. At the top, there's a message box with a yellow background containing the text:

```
Data block 739121:  
» _journal_name_full is undefined  
» neither _journal_year nor _journal_volume is  
defined  
» _journal_page_first is undefined
```

Below this, a green banner provides a tip:

Tip: if you need to add bibliography common to all structures in this file, you can add a **data_global** section below, and the data will be distributed into all other sections.

Further down, there's a search bar with the URL [Fetch bibliography by DOI \(<http://www.doi.org/>\):](http://www.doi.org/), a "Save and check" button, and a "Fetch" button. To the right of the "Fetch" button are radio buttons for "Pubmed" and "crossref".

The main content area is titled "Your CIF File contents:" and contains the following CIF code:

```
data_global  
loop  
_publ_author_name  
'Sabiah, Shahulhameed'  
'Lee, Chen-Shiang'  
'Hwang, Wen-Shu'  
'Lin, Ivan J. B.'  
_publ_section_title  
;  
Facile C-N Bond Cleavage Promoted by Cuprous Oxide: Formation  
of C-C-Coupled Bimidazole from Its Methylene-Bridged Congener  
;  
_journal_issue 2  
_journal_name_full Organometallics  
_journal_page_first 290  
_journal_volume 29  
_journal_year 2010  
data_714906  
_chemical_formula_sum 'C16 H20 Cl4 Cu2 N8'  
_chemical_formula_weight 593.28
```

COD data deposition Web site

The screenshot shows a Mozilla Firefox browser window displaying the Crystallography Open Database CIF Validator interface. The title bar reads "Crystallography Open Database: CIF Validator - Mozilla Firefox". The address bar shows the URL "http://www.crystallography.net/store.php?f=0&CODSESSION=ZY0lg8DU9KTyEl-KIIS.gr05404". The page content is titled "Crystallography Open Database Validation and Deposition Interface". A navigation bar at the top includes "Log in", "Upload a file", "Validate data" (which is highlighted in green), "Deposit structures", and "Finish". Below this is a button labeled "Deposit to COD all valid files". A table displays validation results for a file named "om9010406_si_002.cif", showing it is "valid" and has "Edit" and "Deposit to COD" actions available. A message below the table states "File [om9010406_si_002.cif] is correct". The bottom of the browser window shows standard navigation icons.

Crystallography Open Database
Validation and Deposition Interface

Log in Upload a file Validate data Deposit structures Finish

Deposit to COD all valid files

File	Status	Actions
om9010406_si_002.cif	valid	Edit Deposit to COD

File [om9010406_si_002.cif] is correct

Types of identifiers

① A centralised registry:

- COD identifiers (e.g. COD 2000000);
- PDB identifiers (e.g. PDB 1KNV);
- DOI (e.g. 10.1093/nar/gkn883);
- ARK (Archival Resource Key,
e.g. <ark:/53355/cl010066723>)
- URI (e.g. <https://www.w3.org/Provider/Style/URI.html>)
- ISSN, ISBN, PMID, PMCID, ...

② Randomised identifiers

- UUID (e.g. 90376010-a315-11ea-adba-6bb1c61159af)
- Cryptographic checksums (e.g. git commit
42a03a255612b8d43ecd77bb0acc02def888f688, 42a03a2);

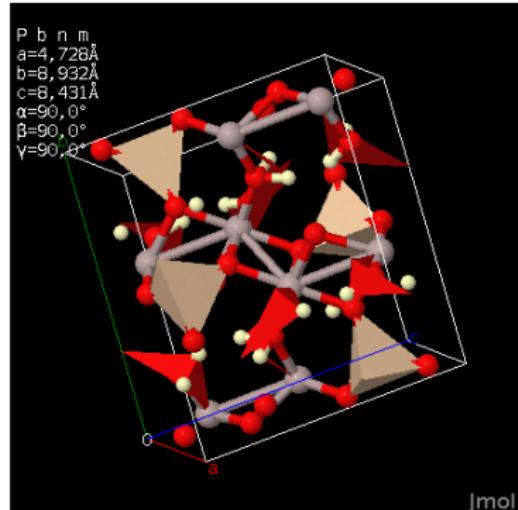
Take home messages

- ① Data provenance is important for reproducible research;
- ② Unique stable identifiers help tracking data;
- ③ Comprehensive metadata are needed for reproducibility;
- ④ Let's use standard well-defined data formats;
- ⑤ Document your computation work flow.

Thank you!



<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Topaz>



Coordinates [2207377.cif](#)
Original IUCr paper [HTML](#)

<http://www.crystallography.net/2207377.html>

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