

X-ray crystallography facility

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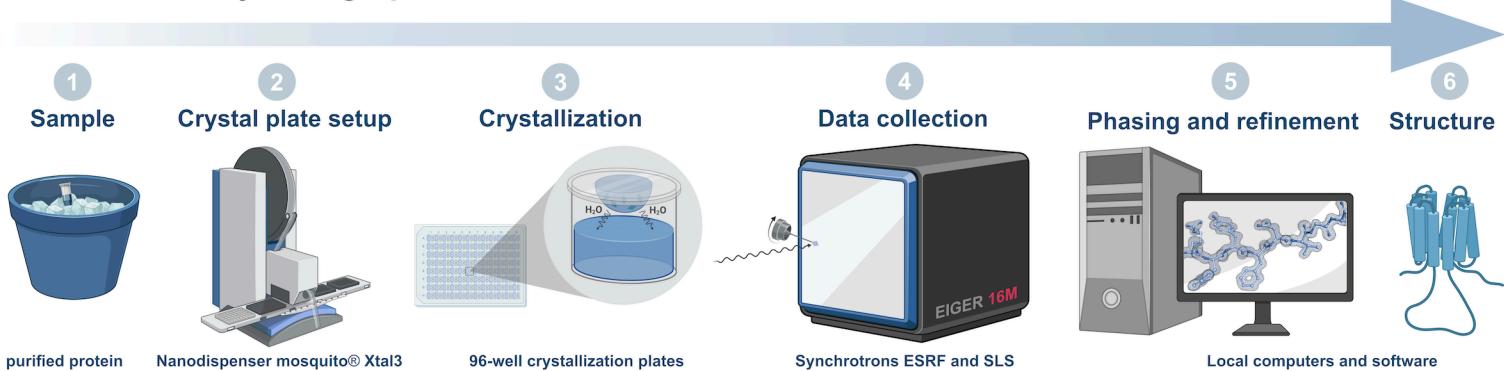


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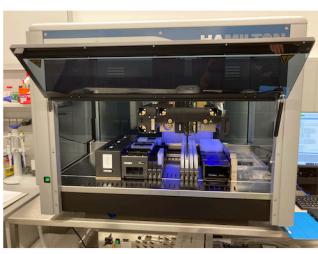
General considerations for the crystallization of proteins

- purified protein (purity >95%)
- monodisperse sample without aggregates or co-purified DNA/RNA contaminants
- typical concentration range: 2-20 mg/mL
- volume for complete initial screening: 320 µL (200 nL/drop)
- salt concentration as low as possible
- add reducing agent if necessary (e.g. 2 mM DTT or β-Mercaptoethanol)
- low buffer concentration (typically 20 mM)
- no phosphate buffers
- usage regulations at www.uni-ulm.de/nawi/institute-of-pharmaceutical-biotechnology

Workflow of crystallographic structure determination



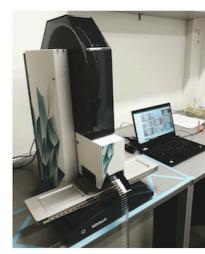
Equipment of the X-ray crystallography facility



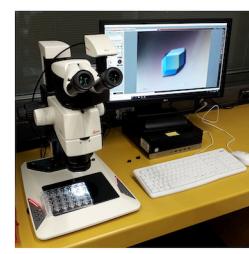
Liquid handling station
Hamilton Microlab STAR



Crystallization screens
Commercially available crystallization screens comprising 800 different conditions



Nano-crystallization robot
TTP labtech Mosquito Xtal3



Stereo Microscopes
Leica M165C (MC170 HD cam) and Olympus SZX16

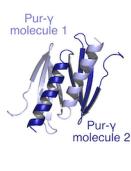


Plate incubator
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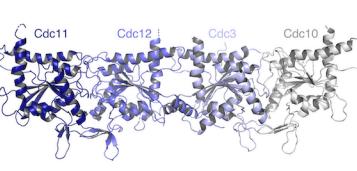


Crystal storage dewar
Worthington HC35

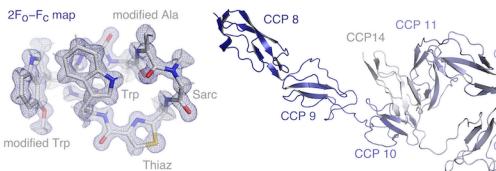
Selected structures of the crystallography facility and the Niessing lab



1.05 Å X-ray structure of the human Pur-y repeat III dimer



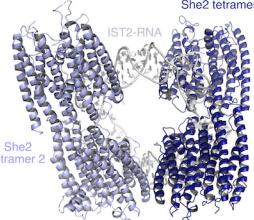
3.33 Å X-ray structure of the yeast quaternary septin complex
Cdc11-Cdc12-Cdc3-Cdc10



1.1 Å 3D electron diffraction structure of the modified cyclic octapeptide
Argyrin D from Myxobacteria



2.13 Å X-ray structure of the human Complement Factor H
CCP domains 8-15



2.03 Å X-ray structure of the mouse Pumilio 2 homology domain
IST2-RNA localization element