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Development of Experimental and
Computational Infrastructure for
Near Atomic Resolution Structure
Determination of Large Macromolecular
Machines without Crystals by Electron
Cryomicroscopy

Molecular Cryo-EM

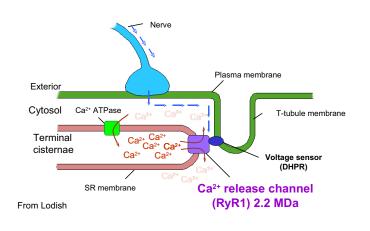
- What has cryo-EM achieved?
- · What are the trends in structural biology?
- What are the future developments in cryo-EM

Cryo-EM Achievements

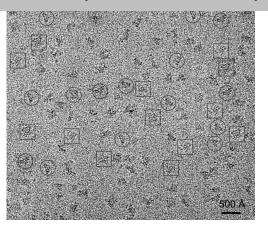
- 2-dimensional monolayer protein crystals: 3.5-1.9 Å polypeptide traced
- Helical arrays: 9 4 Å
 Fold recognized
- Single particles: 9 4.5 $\mbox{\normalfont\AA}$ $\mbox{\normalfont\uparticles}$ and $\mbox{\normalfont\uparticles}$ sheets visualized
- Subcellular assemblies within a cell: 60 Å identify components and domains

Structure at Different Resolutions Low Resolution Intermediate Resolution High Resolution 15+ A 9 A 6 A 3 A Backbone trace Shape Subunit Beta sheets

Excitation Contraction Coupling in Skeletal Muscle



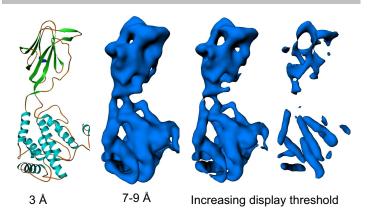
Electron Image of Ca⁺² Release Channel (2.2 MDa Tetramer)



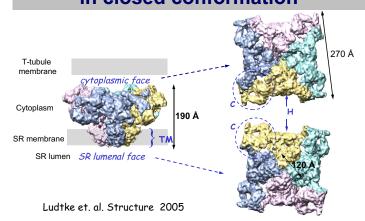
Data Statistics

- · Channel in closed conformation, [Ca 2+]<10nM
- JEOL2010F: 200 kV, ~82,800X, -175°C
- · Electron dose ~15 e/Å
- Defocus range: 1.6 4.1 μ m
- · ~700 CCD images/ 29,000 particle images
- Density map at 9.6 Å based on 0.5 FSC criterion

Display of Structure at Medium Resolution



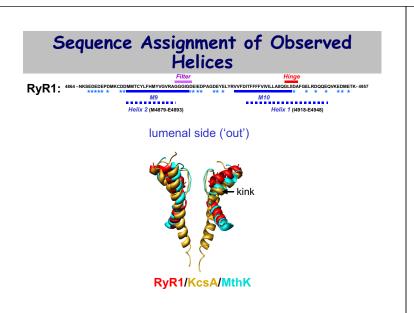
Structure of Ca⁺² Release Channel in closed conformation

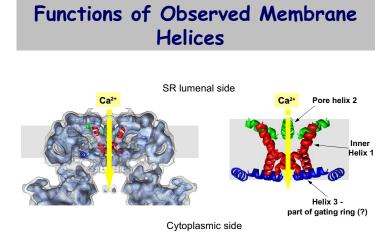


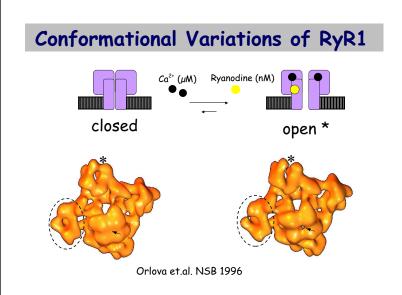


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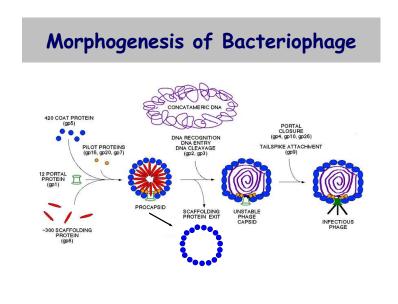
Sequence Assignment of Observed Helices Filter Hinge RyR1: 4864-NKSEDEDEPDMKCDDMMTCYLFHMYVQVRAGGGIGDEIEDPAGDEYLYRWFDITFFFFVILLAIGGLIDAYGELROAGEOWKEDMETK-4857 M9 M10 Helix 2 (M4879-E4833) Helix 1 (14918-E4948) Filter KCSA: 36-QLITYPRALWWSVETATTVGYGDLYPVTLWGRCVAVVVMVAGITSFGLVTAALATWFVGREQ-119 Pore helix Hinge MthK: 45-SWTVSLYWTFVTIATVGYGDVSPSTPLGMYFTVTLUVGIGTFAAVERLLEFLINREQ-103 Pore helix Helix 1 Helix 2 Helix 2 Helix 1 Inner helix Filter Pore helix Inner helix MthK







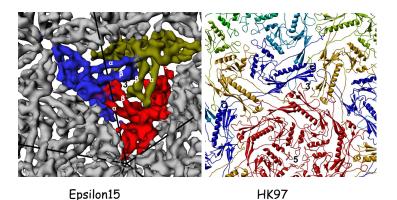




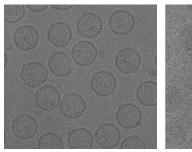


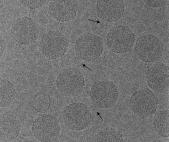
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Common Types of Molecular Interactions in Capsid Shell



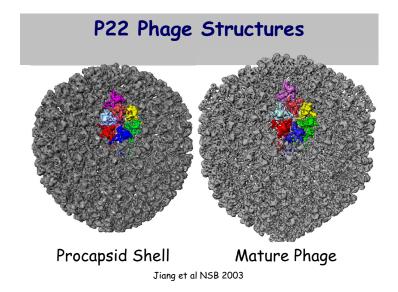
Images of Bacteriophage P22





Procapsid shell Diameter = 585 Å

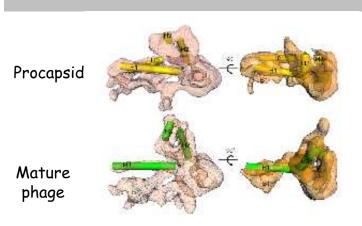
Mature phage Diameter = 700 Å



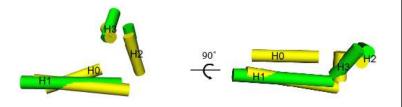


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Domain Movements



Helix Movements and Refolding



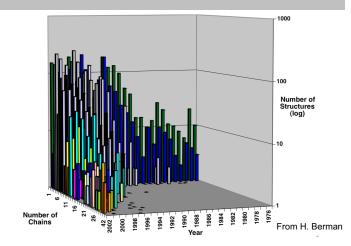
- Helices 1 and 2 < 6° change
- · Helices 3 47° rotation
- · Helix h0 becomes coil

Mature Procapsid

Summary: Cryo-EM of Single Particles

- Locations of secondary structure elements of molecular components in a biological machine
- Pseudo atomic models of molecular components
- Structural conformation switches at different functional/chemical states
- Structural mechanism of biological function

Trend in PDB Structures



Frontiers in Cryo-EM

Atomic model of machine without using crystals

New instrumentation Novel data processing algorithms Biochemical sample purification



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Frontiers in Cryo-EM

- Atomic model of machine without using crystals
- Dynamics and instability of machines
 Conformational heterogeneity
 Short life time

Frontiers in Cryo-EM

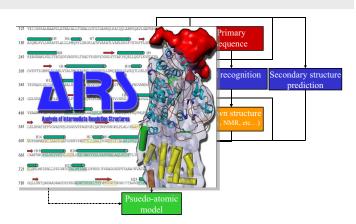
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- Combine cryo-EM data with other experimental and computational data

Integration with Bioinformatics

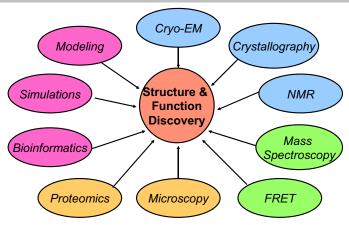
Modeling with cryo-EM restraints

Integration of heterogeneous data type

Hybrid cryo-EM with Other Data



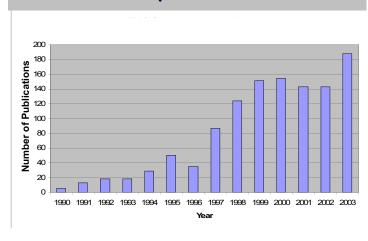
Data Integration



Frontiers in Cryo-EM

- Atomic model of machine without using crystals
- Dynamics and stability of machines
- Combine cryo-EM data with other experimental and computational data
- Archiving Cryo-EM structures
 Visualization and annotation

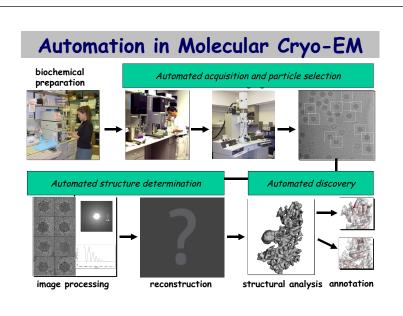
Trends in Cryo-EM Publications



Frontiers in Cryo-EM

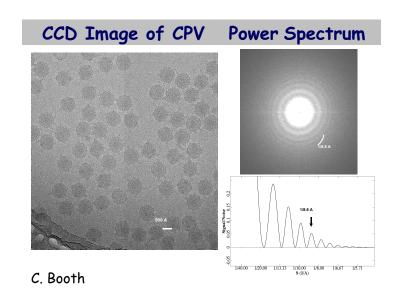
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- · Dynamics and stability of machines
- Combine cryoEM data with other experimental and computational data
- · Archiving CryoEM structures
- CryoEM for the novice

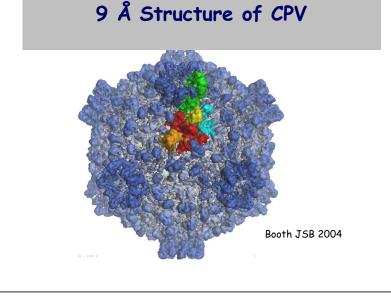
Automated cryo-specimen preparation, data collection, image processing and structural interpretation





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Research Frontiers in Cryo-EM

- Atomic details of machine without using crystals
- Dynamics and stability of machines
- Combine cryo-EM data with other experimental and computational data
- Archiving and disseminating cryo-EM structures
- · Cryo-EM for the novice
- Electron cryo-tomography of a whole cell

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