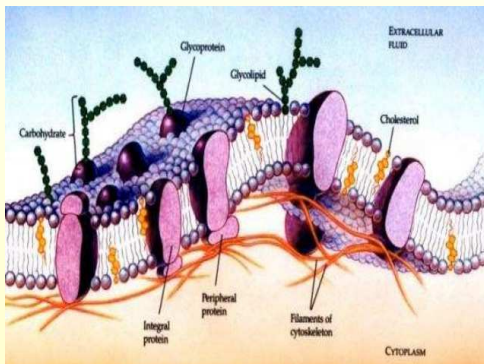


Solution studies : Analytical ultracentrifugation, SAXS, SANS, MALS



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Glycoproteins

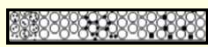
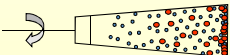
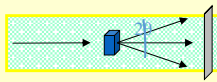


Questions addressed:

- sample homogeneity
- association state of complexes
- general shape of the macromolecules
- association constants

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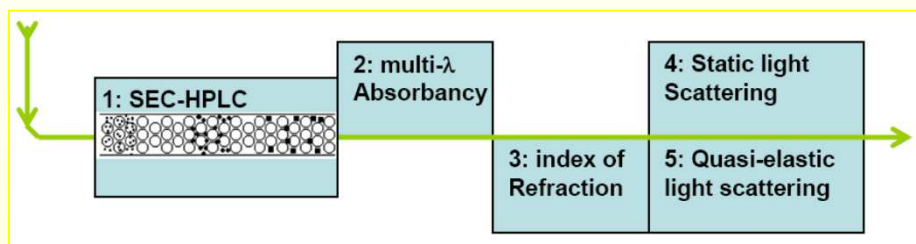
complex multi-component systems

METHODS				RESULT	
	Separation of the particles	Integrating different signals	Modulation of a contrast term	Mass composition	Shape
SEC-MALS 	YES	YES Abs RI LS DLS	NO	Yes	R_H
AUC 	YES	YES Abs ΔI Fluo	YES	Yes	R_H
SAXS-SANS 	NO	NO	YES	Yes	R_g & low resolution structure

SEC-MALS= Size exclusion chromatography coupled to light scattering; AUC= analytical ultracentrifugation; SAXS/SANS= small angle X-ray/neutron scattering
 Abs = absorbance; RI = refractive index; LS = light scattering; DLS = dynamic light scattering; ΔI = interference fringe shift; Fluo=fluorescence
 R_H = hydrodynamic Radius; R_g = radius of gyration

20-100 μL
 $\approx \text{mg/mL}$

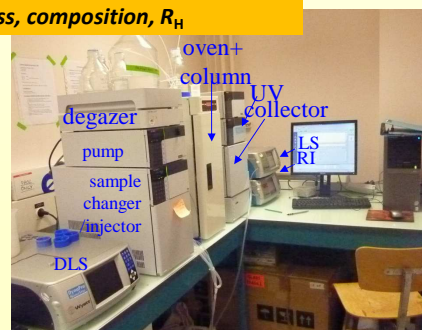
SEC-MALS



Characterisation by rigorously founded methods
 \Rightarrow **Molar mass, composition, R_H**

Separation of the macromolecule according to their size
 \Rightarrow **homogeneity, interactions**

- 7 dedicated SEC columns (Shodex, Wyatt, GE)
- Thermostated from 4°C
- Sample changer for automatized injection
- Typical time request: exp: 1day; analysis : hour



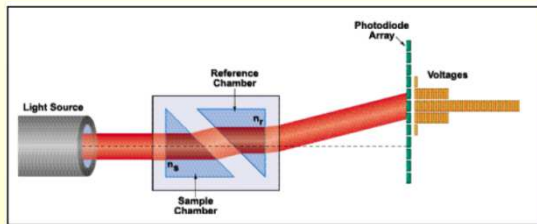
•Size Exclusion Chromatography

=> Separation of the macromolecules
=> R_H estimate by calibration of the column

•Refractive Index RI

$$\Delta n = k_{RI} c (\partial n / \partial c)$$

detection of all types of compounds
=> concentration



$\partial n / \partial c$ (ml/g)
Protein: 0.187
Sugar: 0.155; DNA: 0.168
DDM: 0.143; C12E8: 0.121
Apol: 0.151
Tween 20: 0.082; F6DigluM: 0.083

=> Particle composition
gram sugar (or detergent)
per gram protein

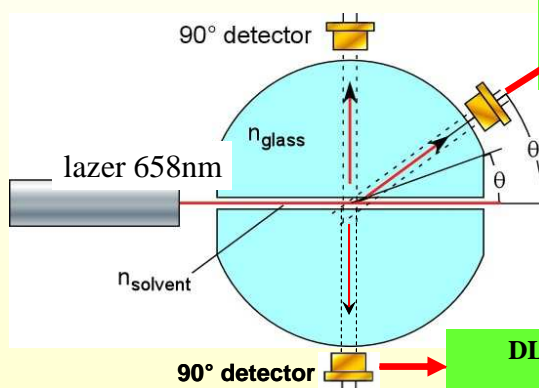
•Multi- λ Absorbance

$$A = k_A E_{0.1\%} c$$

Specific detection of absorbing compounds (e.g. proteins)

R_H = hydrodynamic radius; Δn = difference between the refractive index of the sample and solvent; $(\partial n / \partial c)$ = refractive index increment; c = concentration (g mL⁻¹ or g L⁻¹); A = absorbance; $E_{0.1\%}$ = extinction coefficient (cm⁻¹ g⁻¹ L)

•Static and dynamic light scattering



SLS measures the time-averaged scattered intensity $I(\theta)$.

-SLS gives M
if c and $(\partial n / \partial c)$ are known
-LS signal is proportional to M

$$I = k_{LS} c M (\partial n / \partial c)^2$$

-diluted case
-angular dependence of $I(\theta)$ if particle size > 20nm.

DLS analyzes time fluctuations of the scattered light.
DLS gives D_t , thus R_H .

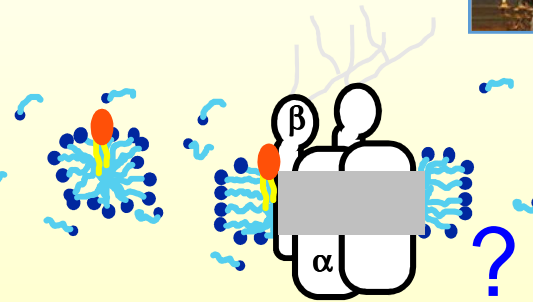
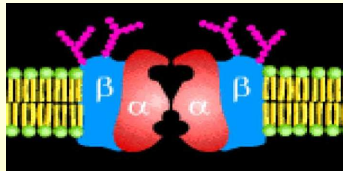
$$DLS \Rightarrow D_t = kT / 6\pi\eta R_H$$

DLS/LS is available in batch mode.
SEC-MALS allows particle separation, thus analysis in terms of one type of particle.

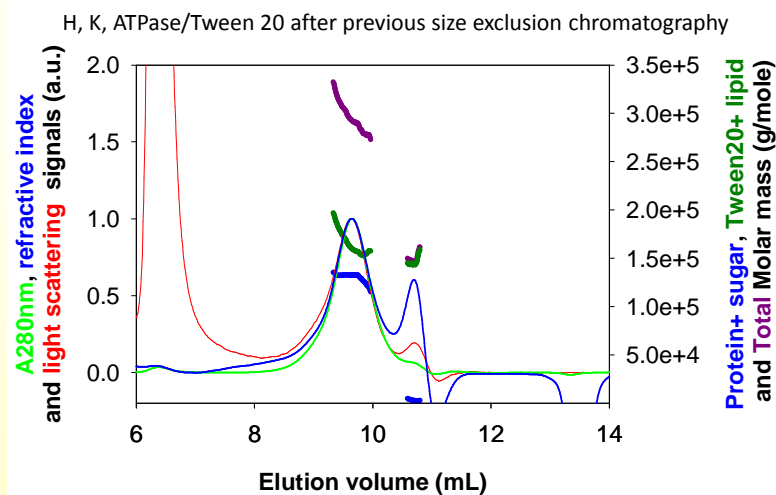
SLS/DLS = static/dynamic light scattering; M = molar mass; $(\partial n / \partial c)$ = refractive index increment; c = concentration (g mL⁻¹ or g L⁻¹)
 D_t = translational diffusion coefficient; R_H = hydrodynamic radius; k = Boltzmann's constant; T = temperature; η = solvent viscosity

The proton pump of the stomach

H ⁺ -K ⁺ ATPase	P-type ATPase; K ⁺ imported for H ⁺ exported; Hydrolysis of ATP
α	Catalytic unit; 114 kDa; 10 TM α; Phosphorylation sites
β	Unknown role; 33 kDa; 1 TM α; glycosylation sites



Association state?
Lipids?
Carbohydrate?
Detergent?



-Carbohydrate content determined by Mass Spectrometry

-M_{theo}=147 kDa + 9 kDa (sugar), M_{exp} ≈ 133 kDa

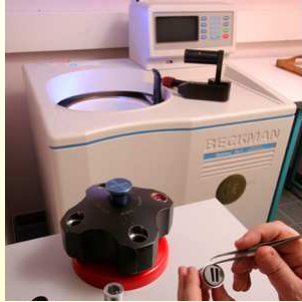
-Bound (detergent + lipid) = 0.85-1.3 gram per gram depending on ($\partial n/\partial c$)

=> Solubilised in tween-20 H⁺,K⁺-ATPase is a α-β protomer

AUC= complementary method, but much more complex in that specific case

Dach et al JBC 2012

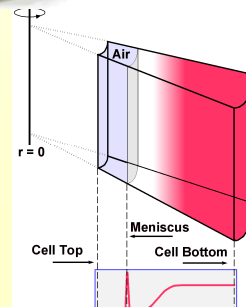
AUC Analytical UltraCentrifugation



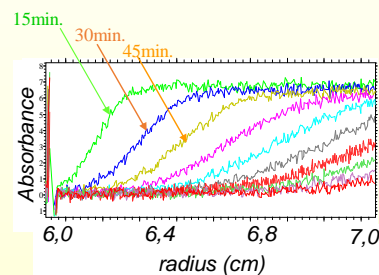
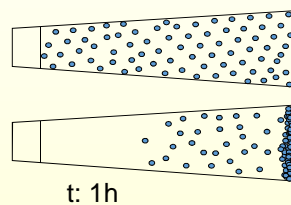
Centrifugal field: $F = m\omega^2 r$
 $\omega = 60000 \text{ rpm}$; $r = 6-7 \text{ cm} \Rightarrow 300\,000g$

rpm: revolution per minute

Measures the concentration as a function of the radial position at various times of centrifugation



Sedimentation velocity



Angular velocity: Large compared to the ability of the particle to sediment

Duration: Some hours (overnight)

Analysis: As a function of time
Formation of a boundary

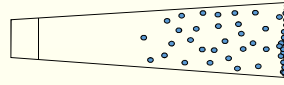
Results: Homogeneity; s distribution; event. D , thus M or M_b and R_H

Sample: 450 μl or 120 or 60 μl (optical path lengths of 1.2, 0.3 and 0.15 cm, resp.)

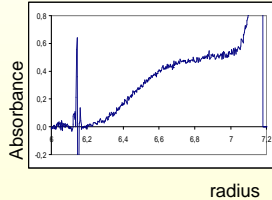


s : sedimentation coefficient
 D : diffusion coefficient
 M : molar mass
 M_b : buoyant molar mass
 R_H : hydrodynamic radius

Optical systems



Absorbance



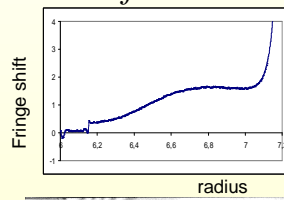
radius

$$A = E_{0.1\%} I c$$

Selectivity depending on presence of chromophore
 $220\text{nm} < \lambda < 600\text{nm}$
 Scan of 3 λ possible

0.1-5 mg/mL (60-500 μL)

Interference



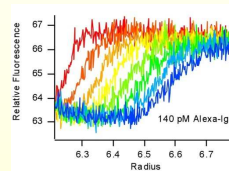
radius

$$\Delta J \propto (\partial n / \partial c) I c$$

Not selective
 Measures everything (sugar, detergent, glycerol...)
 Used together with Abs

0.1-5 mg/mL (60-500 μL)

Fluorescence



Signal in arbitrary units

Highly selective
 $\lambda_{\text{excit}} = 488\text{nm}$
 $\lambda_{\text{emission}} = 535 \pm 30\text{ nm}$

pM- μM (500 μL)

ΔJ and $A_{280} \Rightarrow$ estimates of bound detergent, lipid, sugar....

velocity
of the particles

mass

relative density

particle distribution
at equilibrium

buoyant mass

$$M_b = RT s / D$$



M : molar mass
 \bar{v} : partial specific volume
 R_H : hydrodynamic radius

ρ, η : solvent density and viscosity

$$s = \frac{M(1 - \rho \bar{v})}{N_A 6 \pi \eta R_H}$$

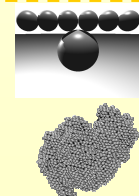
shape, viscosity

spreading
friction

$$D = RT / N_A f$$

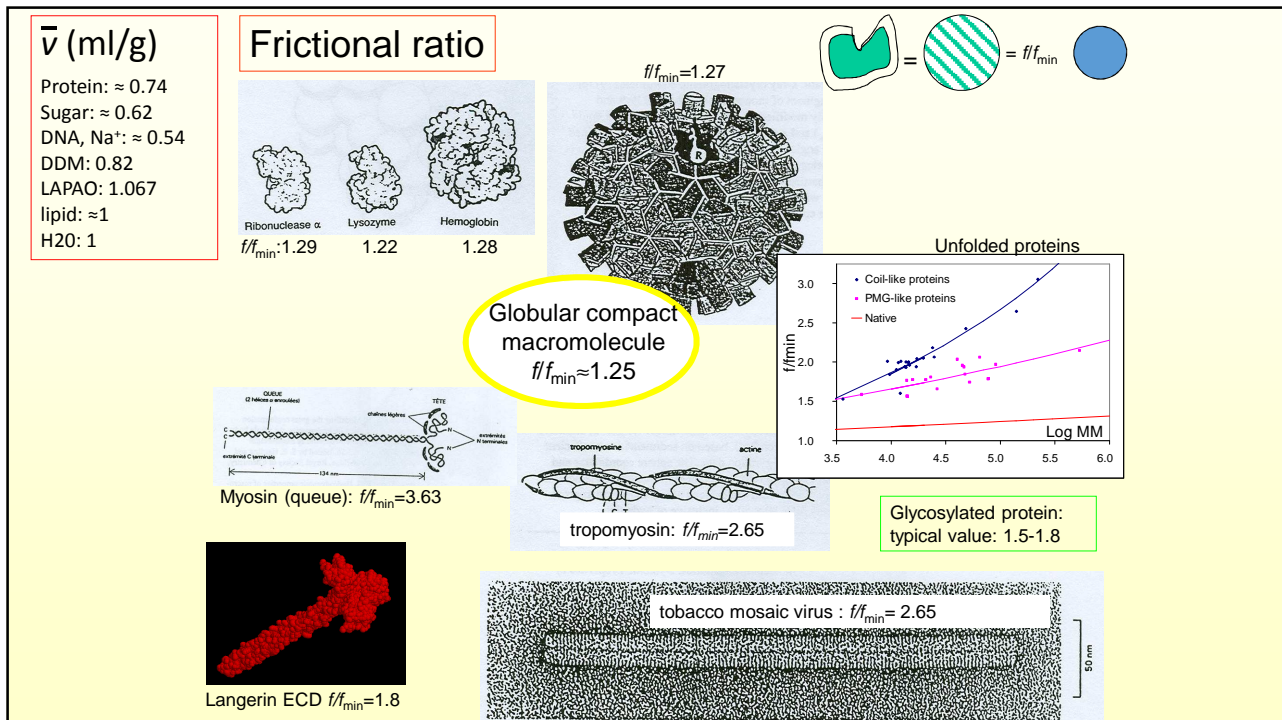
$$f = 6 \pi \eta R_H$$

$$R_H = f / f^\circ R^\circ$$



s : sedimentation coefficient
 D : translational diffusion coefficient
 $M(1 - \rho \bar{v})$: M_b buoyant molar mass
 f : frictional coefficient
 $f/f^\circ = f/f_{\text{min}}$: frictional ratio

Parachutes : <http://www.snm.org>



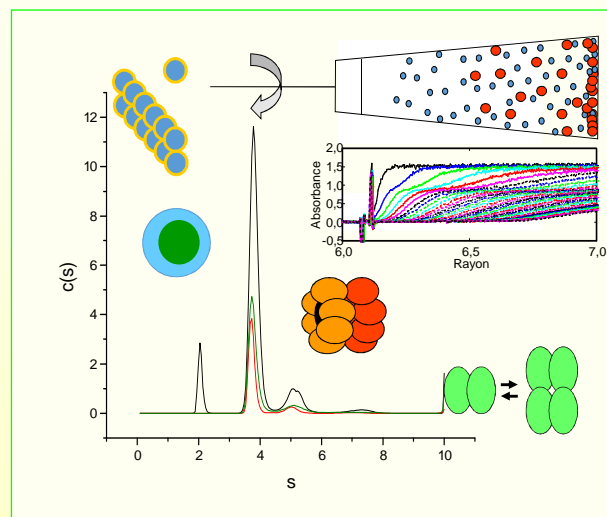
• **The $c(s)$ analysis**

uses the simulation of the sedimentation for hundreds of particles. of same shape and density.

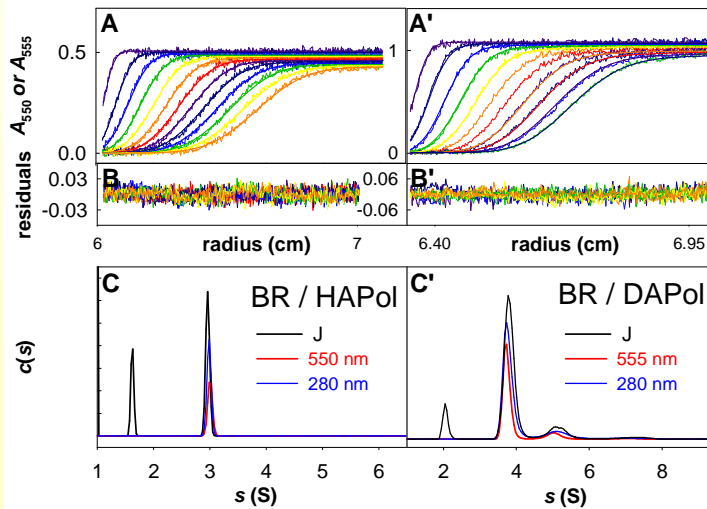
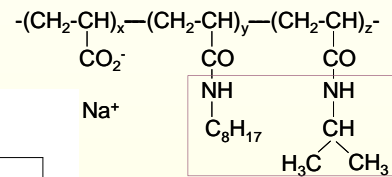
It fixes a reasonable relation between s and D .

It allows deconvoluting boundary spreading for a high resolution distribution of s .

• **Numerical simulation** may describe complex interacting systems.



BR/HAPol protein-polymer complex



-free APol/BR
1.6 g/g or 0.2 g/g

- A_{280}/A_{555} : Native BR

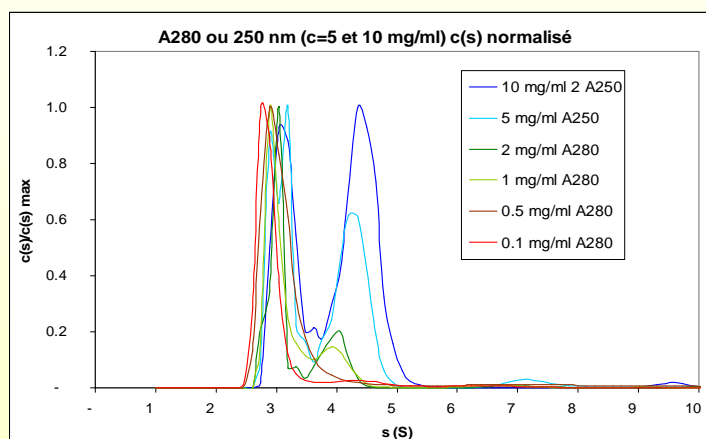
-bound lipids 0.4 g/g
(lipid analysis)

-APol/BR ~ 2 g/g

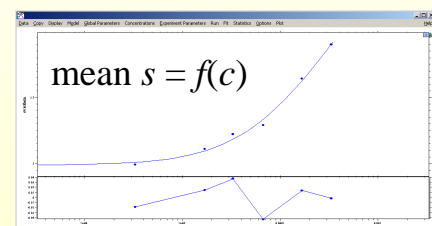
-BR is a monomer

Gohon et al. 2008

Equilibrium monomer –dimer



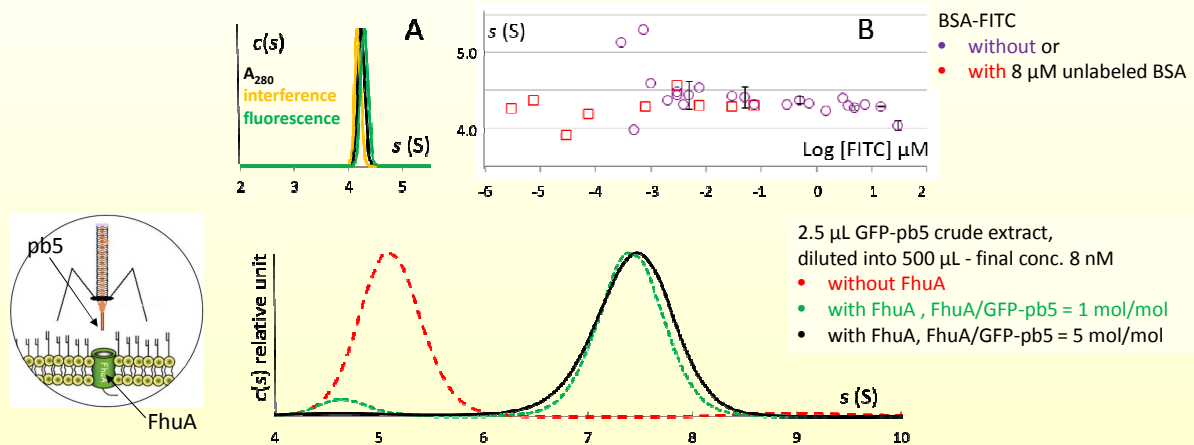
$$s = \frac{\sum c_i s_i}{\sum c_i}$$



Best fit $A + A \rightleftharpoons A_2$
 s_{20w} Mono = 3.13 S,
 s_{20w} dimer = 5.69 S
 $\log K_a = 3.159$,
 $K_d = 0.7 \text{ mM}$ (0.4-1.5 mM)

Echallier et al PNAS 2013

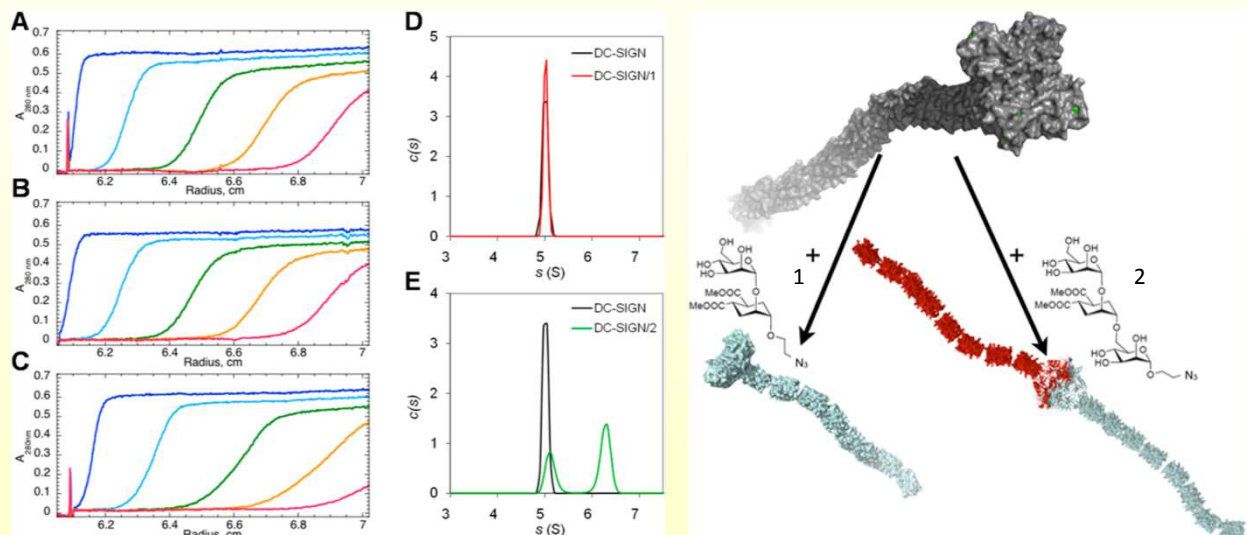
Using fluorescence detection



Homogeneity, association state, interactions of GFP-labelled proteins can be studied in cellular extracts

Le Roy et al Meth Enzym 2015

DC-SIGN -drug designed glycomimetic compound interactions



From ITC; AUC, DLS: 2 is able, without any multivalent presentation, to cluster DCSIGN tetramers.

Sutkeviciute et al ACS Chem Biol 2014

Small angle scattering

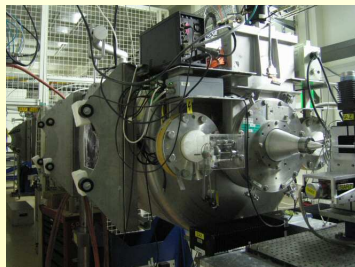
D22, ILL



Small angle
neutron
scattering

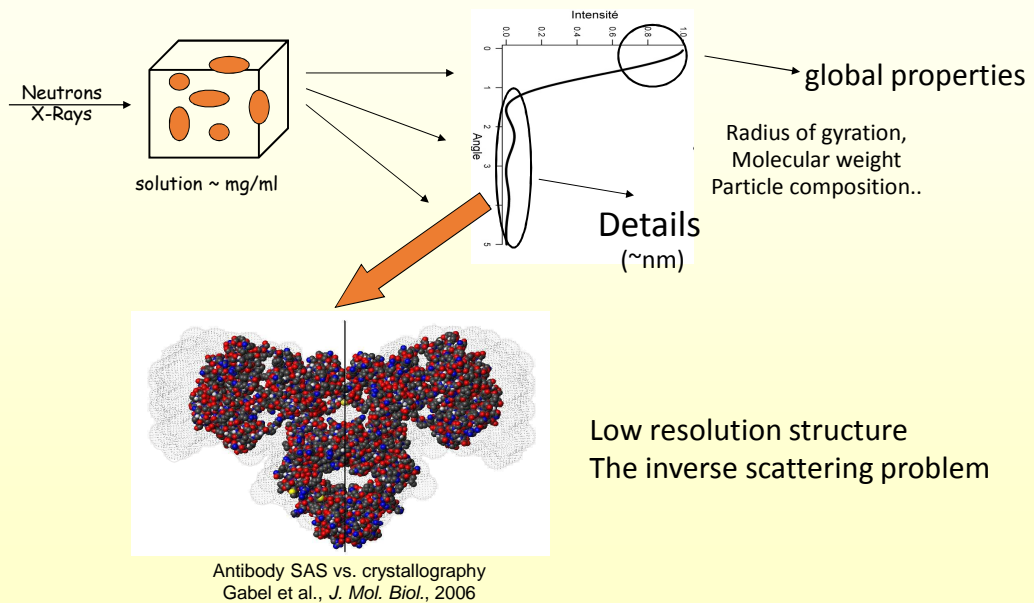
ID02, ESRF

BM29 BioSAXS



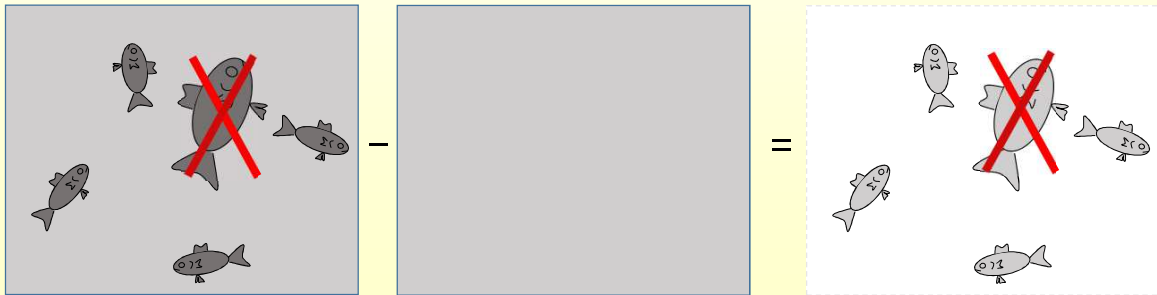
Small angle
X-rays
scattering

SAXS/SANS data for structural information



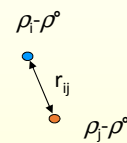
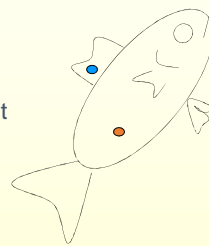
Requirements

- monodisperse sample in solution
- There should be no correlation between particle positions and orientations
- $c=1-10$ mg/mL
- The scattered intensity depends on a contrast term between the particle and the solvent.
- Buffer signal will be subtracted

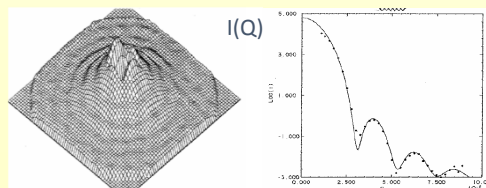


Monodisperse diluted sample – from Debye formula

Object defined by positions of the scattering volume elements related to others, and their contrast scattering amplitudes



Scattering is isotropic
Scattered intensity depends on scattering angle
=>scattering curve $I(Q)$, $Q=4\pi \sin\theta/\lambda$

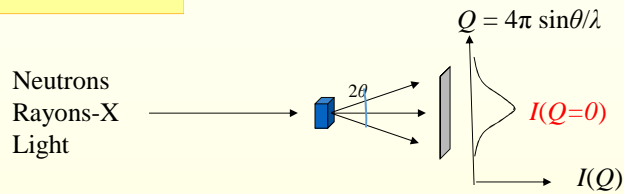


$$I(Q) = N \langle |F(Q)|^2 \rangle$$

Structure factor
« Shape factor »

$$Q=4\pi \sin\theta/\lambda$$

Analysis of the data



For a dilute homogeneous solution

Forward intensity $I(0) = n \cdot F(0)^2$

Neutrons $I(0)/c = 1/N_A \cdot M \cdot (\partial\rho_N/\partial c)^2$

X-Rays $I(0)/c = 1/N_A \cdot M \cdot (\partial\rho_{el}/\partial c)^2$

Light $I(0)/c = 1/N_A \cdot M \cdot (\partial n/\partial c)^2$

$I(0)$: normalized forward intensity.

c : weight concentration.

ρ_N and ρ_{el} : neutron and electron scattering length density increments.

n , refractive index

Extrapolated $I(0)$

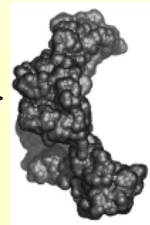
molar mass via a contrast term
that also determines the whole $I(Q)$

$I(Q)$ changes at small angle

=> Radius of gyration

Whole $I(q)$

=> Ensemble of the distances
within the particle $P(r)$



Why light scattering is used only for molar mass determination?

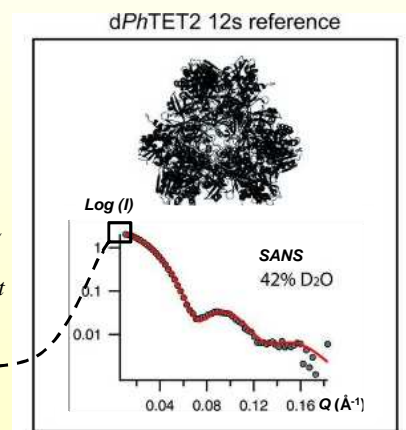
$$Q = 4\pi \sin\theta/\lambda$$

$$\lambda_{X\text{-rays}} = 1\text{\AA}$$

$$\lambda_{\text{SANS}} = 6\text{\AA}$$

$$\lambda_{\text{light}} = 6600\text{\AA}$$

$q = 4\pi \sin\theta/\lambda$
very small!
=> Flat part
of the curve



Appolaire, et al. Acta Cryst D 2014

Contrast in SANS/SAXS

Atom	SANS b_{coh} 10^{-12} cm	SAXS e. number
H	-0.37	1
D	0.67	1
C	0.66	6
N	0.94	7
O	0.58	8
F	0.57	9
P	0.51	15
S	0.28	16
K	0.37	19

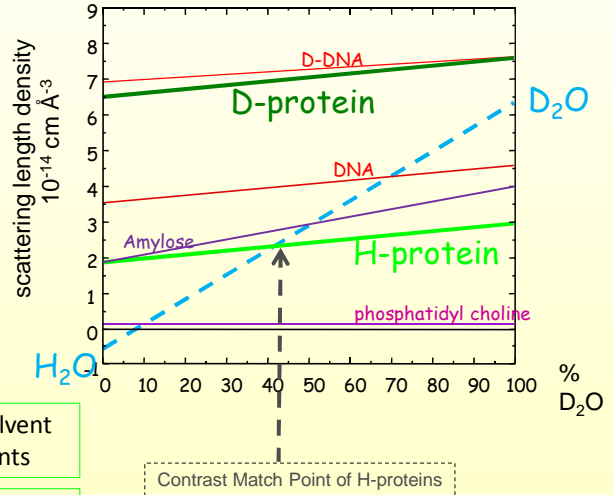
SAXS

Average contrast
($\times 10^{10}$ cm $^{-2}$)

Substance	X-rays
Proteins	2.5
Nucleic acids	6.7
Fatty acids	-1.1
Carbohydrates	4.5

from Koch et al. 2003

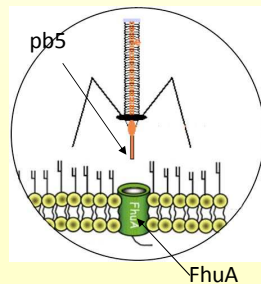
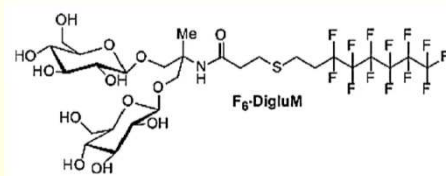
SANS: contrast variation curves



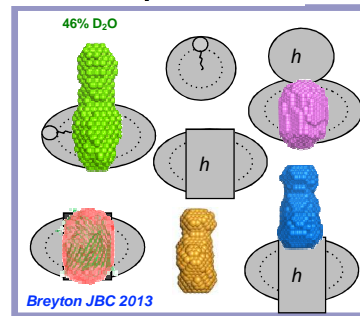
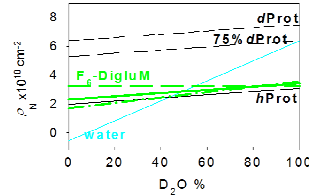
Specific deuteration of the macromolecule and/or the solvent allows in SANS to modulate the contrast of the components

Commonly used in for the study of membrane proteins, or nucleic acid protein complexes

SANS of membrane proteins: matching a fluorinated surfactant

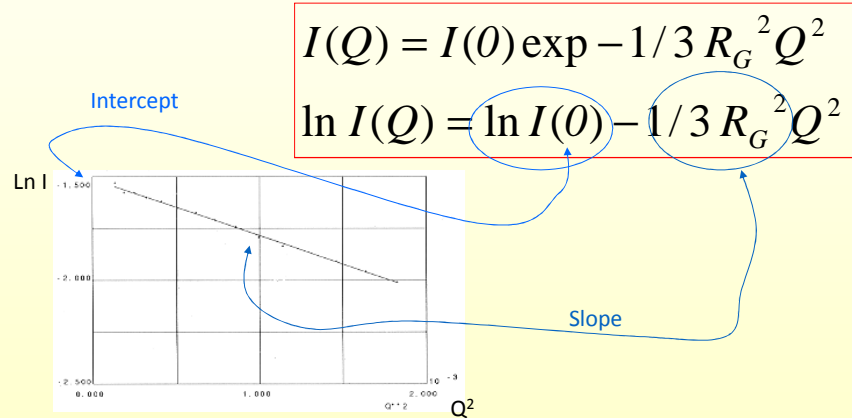


Homogeneous match of F $_6$ -DigluM combined with protein deuteration



From the scattering curve to structural informations

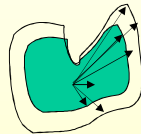
Small* Q -range: the Guinier approximation



*: small??? such as $R_G Q \ll 1$ in principle and for spheres;
 $R_G Q < 1.3$ for globular non spherical particles.

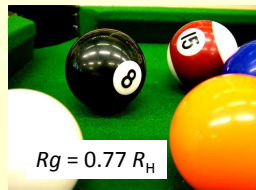
R_g from scattering

R_g tells about mass distribution around center-of-gravity (inertia)
 R_g will tell about conformation changes
 R_g is ponderated by scattering length density contrast



$$R_g^2 = \int r^2 g(r) dr$$

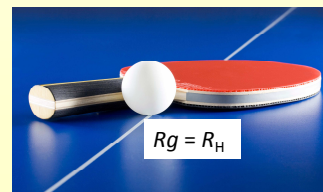
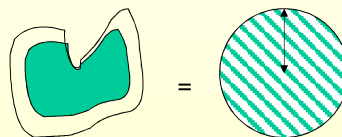
$g(r)$: pair distance function



R_g differs slightly in SANS in D_2O and H_2O ,
and in SAXS, because it probes hydration

R_H from hydrodynamics

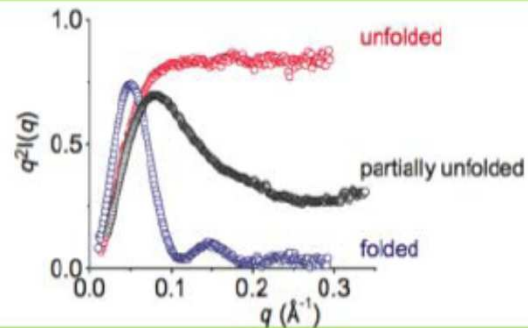
R_H probes distances to the surface
(approximatively)



Considering larger angles

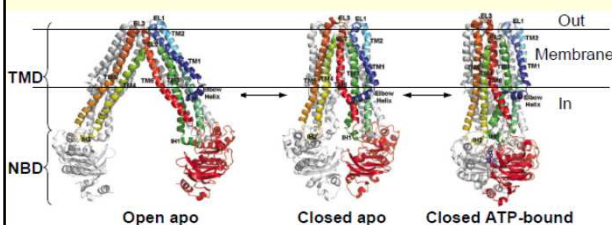
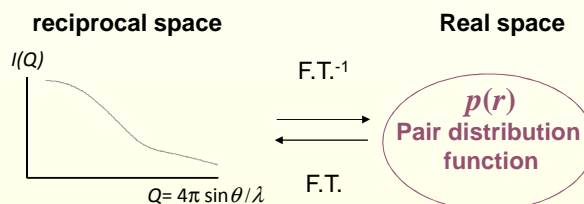
The Kratky plot

The Kratky plot identifies unfolded samples. Globular macromolecules follow Porod's law and have bell-shaped curves. Extended molecules, such as unfolded peptides, lack this peak and have a plateau or are slightly increasing in the larger q range.

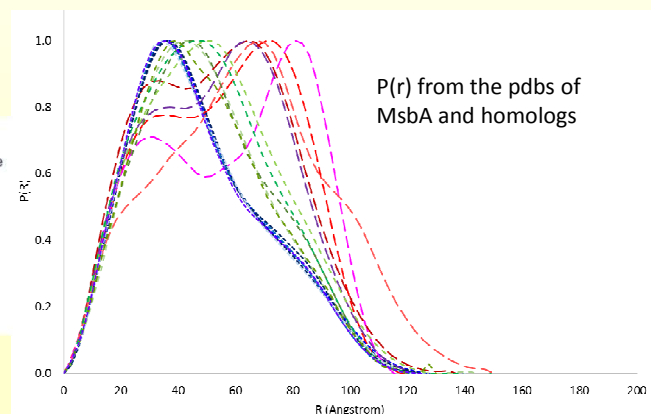


Courtesy of Putnam, C.D., Hammel, M., Hura, G.L., and Tainer, J.A. *Q Rev Biophys.* 2007 40(3):191-285

$p(r)$ from the whole scattering curve



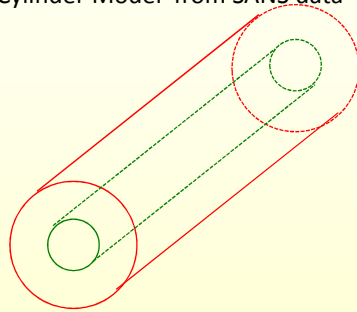
MsbA structures



P(r) from the pdb's of MsbA and homologs

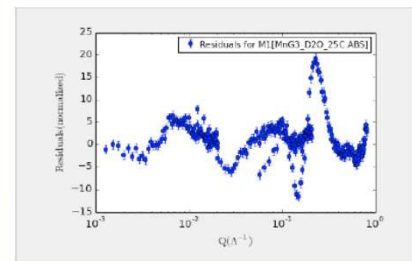
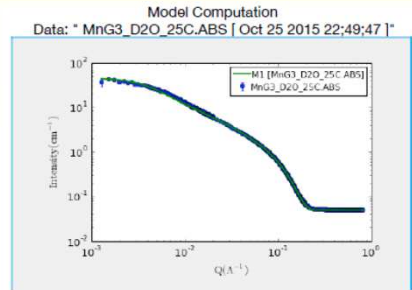
Structural analysis in the framework of structural model

Assembly of the detergent LMNG
– Core shell Cylinder Model from SANS data



Preliminary analysis:
L=136 nm
Rcore=1.35 nm
Shell thickness=0.8 nm

To be done:
Constrain on scattering length densities
Combining SANS and SAXS



Unpublished
Lionel Porcar (ILL)

Toward ab initio topology

DAMMIN/DAMMIF A sphere filled with dummy atoms (beads)

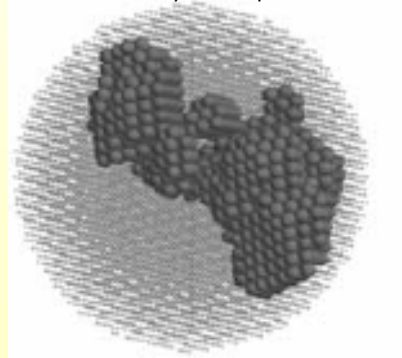
Diameter=max. particle size.

GASBOR: Dummy residues forms a chain-compatible model.

MONSA for mixed phases (multicomponent systems) Requires SAS data at different contrast of complex and individual components! Assume no major changes between bound and free states of at least one component

The protein structure is represented by densely packed dummy atoms (beads)

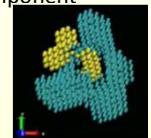
Each dummy atom : particle or solvent.



Dmax estimated from $p(r)$

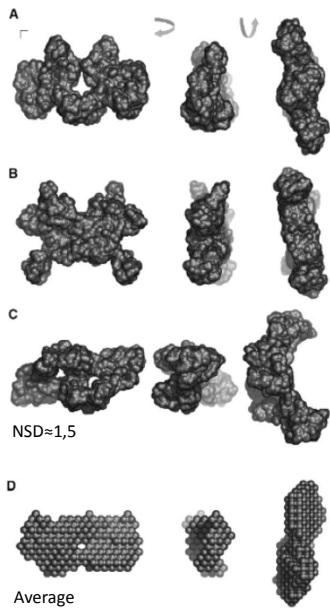
Search of the best
« structure » fitting $I(Q)$

NOTA: Inverse
scattering problem has
no unique solution



Petoukhov & Svergun (2007) Current Opin Struct Biology
Petoukhov Svergun (2012). J Appl Crystallogr

1: All the residues (874 per monomer) were free. 2-fold symmetry fixed (GASBOR)



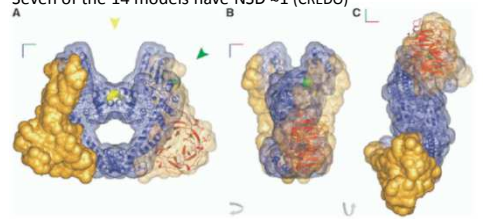
•Generate different models corresponding to nearly identical scattering patterns.

•Stability of the solution?

•normalized spatial discrepancy :
NSD=1: the two models are similar

•Average => most probable model.

2: fixed GyrA59 structure in blue + 352 residues per monomer.
Seven of the 14 models have NSD ≈ 1 (CREDO)



DNA Gyrase A. Costenaro et al. Structure 2005

Combining structures of domains, with SAXS, SANS AUC & molecular modeling to propose full antibody structures

Structure determinations of human and chimaeric antibodies by solution scattering and constrained molecular modelling

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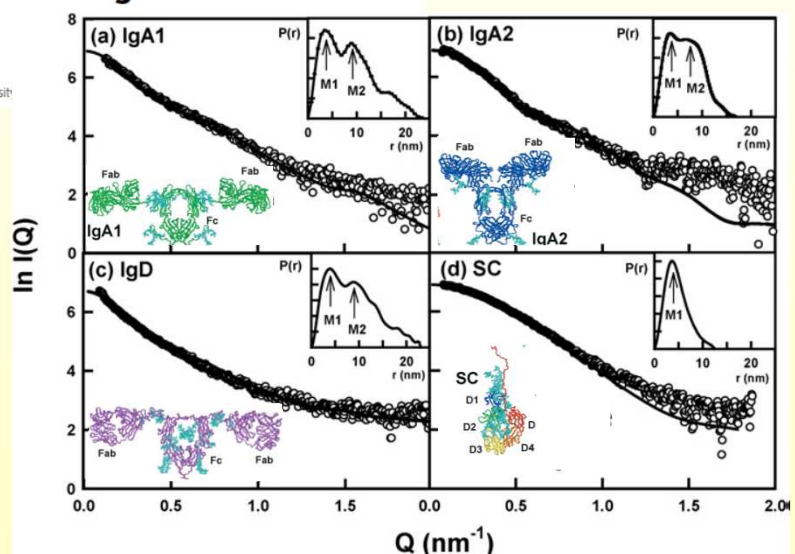
“The prerequisite is a full starting co-ordinate model, including all carbohydrate chains if present.

The three major constraints are:

- the known sequence and composition to fix the macromolecular volume;
- the use of relevant homologous crystal or NMR structures or good homology models to fix the domain shapes;
- the known covalent peptide linkers between the subunits to limit the structures allowed.”

=> Different conformations of the proteins are derived from the linkers.

- Molecular Dynamics then randomizes this to generate libraries of 500–10000 conformers.
- Comparison with exp. data



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