

ESRF
experimental report

Experiment title:

p13 Suc-I

Beamline(s) used:
BLA/ID2

Date and time of experiment
from: 22/8/94
to: 24/8/94

Experiment number:

LS49C

Local contact(s):
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Date of report:
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Experiment report (*If this work has been published, please give reference and abstract*):

Wavelength: 0.906 Å

Slit Size: 100 µm

Xtal-film distance: 420 mm

Main beam coordinates X= 149.8 mm Y=149.3 mm (Denzo refined parameters)

Solution at edge of detector 2.7 Å

Oscillation range 2°

Exposure time: Between 5 and 20 seconds

Cell parameters: 60.78 60.78 265.8 90 90 120

space group: **P6₅22**

Typical crystal size 30 µm x 30 µm x 200 µm

Total number of frames collected 124

Ion chamber current range: 25-40

Data sets produced

1) p13 sucl Wild type

Max resolution: 27 Å

Numer of crisstal: 6

Completeness to max resolution: 87.5%

Overall Merging R-factor (intensities): 10.4%

Completeness in final resolution shell (2.82-2.70 Å): 90,2%

Merging **R-factor** in highest resolution shell: 47,1 %

Number of frames used in dataset: 15

2 13 suc1 seleno methionine

Max resolution 28 Å

N.B. No diffraction from these crystals could be observed using an in-house rotating anode source.

Number of crystals: **8**

Completeness to max resolution: 75.8%

Overall **Merging** R-factor (intensities): 12,6%

Completeness in final resolution shell (2.82-2.70 Å) 81.2 %

Merging R-facor in highest resolution shell: 43,0%

Number of frames used in dataset 12

MFID between wild type and seleno, methionine dataset: 0.142 (on F)

Comments:

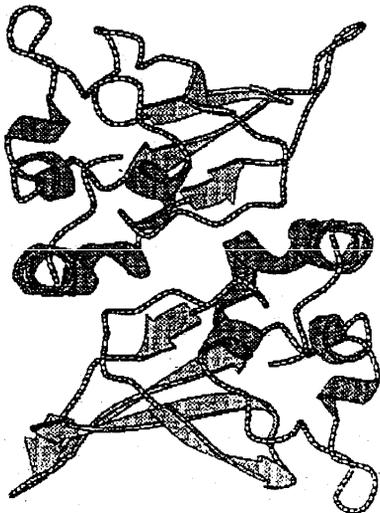
Support and help on the **beam** line were excellent. Crystals suffered quickly from radiation damage: typically the third exposures of any given spot on the crystal could not be included in the final datasets. For the smaller seleno-methionine crystals, even the second frames scaled poorly together with the other data. Sealing together of wild type **and seleno-methionine data** showed some strange behaviour at low resolution. This may be **influenced by** 1) large **beam stop** shadow, and 2) possible non-linear response of detector at high intensity.

Suggestions:

- 1) **Visiting scientists** should be strongly encouraged to investigate cryo-conditions for their protein to best take advantage of **the high brilliance beam** line
- 2) A range of **media should be made available** for the backing up of data. We had to hunt hard to **find a suitable DAT** tape drive to retrieve our frames.

Result:

The seleno methionine positions were discovered automatically by the direct methods options of SHELX using FPH-FP coefficients from the data collected in Grenoble. Phases from this derivative could then be used to cross phase difference fourier from heavy atom soaked datasets collected elsewhere and correctly identify sites in these other datasets. MIR phases guided principally by the seleno-methionine derivative have now been used to successfully solve the structure of p13 suc-1, which is currently under refinement with an R-factor of 20% to 2.7 Å resolution. This excellent result could not have been achieved without the intense, reliable beam of the ESRF.



Cartoon of p13 suc-1: