

Experiment Report Form

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Deadlines for submission of Experimental Reports

- 1st March for experiments carried out up until June of the previous year;
- 1st September for experiments carried out up until January of the same year.

Instructions for preparing your Report

- fill in a separate form for each project or series of measurements.
- type your report, in English.
- include the reference number of the proposal to which the report refers.
- make sure that the text, tables and figures fit into the space available.
- if your work is published or is in press, you may prefer to paste in the abstract, and add full reference details. If the abstract is in a language other than English, please include an English translation.



	Experiment title: <i>Parkia platycephala</i> seed lectin	Experiment number: 16-01-653
Beamline: Bm16	Date of experiment: from: 23/9/04 to: 24/9/04	Date of report: 5/10/04
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Report:

The *Mimosoideae* subfamily of leguminous plants comprises 6 tribes (*Adenanthereae*, *Mimoseae*, *Mimozygantheae*, *Parkiae*, *Acacieae*, and *Ingeae*) which group 56 genera. At present the tribe *Parkiae* is the only taxon from which lectins has been biochemically characterised. These include the seed lectins from *Parkia speciosa* (Suvachittanont and Peutpaiboon, 1992), *Parkia javanica* (Utarabhand and Akkayanont, 1995), *Parkia platycephala* (Cavada *et al.*, 1997; Ramos *et al.*, 1999) and *Parkia discolor* (Cavada *et al.*, 2000). To date, however, no structural data of any *Mimosoideae* lectin have been reported, and thus, the structural classification of these lectins remains obscure.

The seed lectin of *Parkia platycephala* represents the first lectin from a *Mimosoideae* plant whose primary structure has been elucidated. The protein is composed by three tandemly arranged β -prism domains. We have crystallized the *Parkia platycephala* lectin and obtained a complete dataset at 2.3 Å resolution. The asymmetric unit of the $P2_12_12_1$ crystals contains two molecules of PPL. Molecular replacement methods, using available crystal structures of lectins made up by single β -prism domains, failed, and heavy-atom derivatives were not isomorphous with the native form. We obtained crystals in cocrystallization with X-Mannose (a bromide derivative) that belongs to $P2_1$ space group with unit cells constants:

a=80.24

b=114.18

c=80.30

$\alpha = \gamma = 90$

$\beta = 119.88$

We performed a MAD experiment taking a complete dataset at three energies:

Peak: 13.4864 KeV

Remote: 13.450 KeV

Inflection: 13.4773 KeV

Using SOLVE we were able to find 9 bromides and to obtain phases. After density modification we obtained a map suitable to be traced. Now, we are building and refining the molecule.

