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Experiment title:	Experiment
Mechanisms underlying kainate receptor functions	number:
	MX2120

Beamline:	Date of experiment:	Date of report:
CM01	from: 5 th October 2018 to: 8 th October 2018	
Shifts:	Local contact(s):	Received at ESRF:
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Report:

For the allocated beamtime at CM01 beamline, we were able to collect a decent dataset (3482 movies) for ligand bound form of Kainate receptor using the Krios Cryo-Electron Microscope. With the help of the local contact (Eaazhisai Kandiah), we loaded 7 grids in the grid loader (prepared and tested at Maastricht university with Dr. Peter Peters lab) containing ligand bound protein in different conditions. According to priority, we first tested grid #3 and found grid squares with good ice thickness and particle distribution. We chose 8 grid squares with intermittent ice thickness and marked the holes to be in each to be imaged. The following parameters were adjusted using grid hole of each square:

Magnification: 130,000; pixel size: 1.067; spot size: 5; dose rate: 11.22e⁻/p/s, 9.2e⁻/Å²; total dose: 45.99e⁻/Å²; fractions (# frames): 40; exposure time: 5s; images per hole: 2; amplitude contrast: 10%; drift correction was set once per grid square and autodefocus was set once every 3rd grid hole; Energy filter was set to 20eV and the data was collected in super resolution counting mode. The data collection was monitored using the ExiMX interface; data processing (motion correction and CTF estimation) was done simultaneously as the data was collected as shown in Figure 1(a). In addition, data collection statistics was performed by the system to measure the resolution distribution across movies, average motion per frame and astigmatism as shown in Figure 1(b). Unfortunately, due to Gain reference issues with Gatan detector a few hours of data collection were lost twice. In total, 3482 movies were collected, out of which 3042 were good and 440 were bad containing gain reference issues and drift in movies.

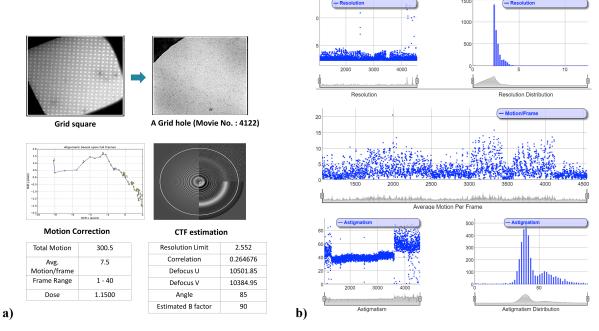


Figure1: (a) Data collection with simultaneous processing; (b) Data collection statistics

Processed and raw data was transferred from the system to the harddisks using Rsync command line. Data processing is being carried at home institute using softwares like CryoSPARC version2 and Relion3 beta. The processed movies were imported in the softwares, good micrographs were separated from the bad ones by checking individual micrographs. Approximately 1000 particles were picked manually from few micrographs, followed by particle extraction and 2D classification. Then, these particles were used as template to optimize the autopick and extract particles from all micrographs, and go for 2D classification. Further processing is undergoing, but from intial steps of classification we observed some oritentation bias and hence, it would be necessary to obtain more micrographs to obtain sufficient side views to build high resolution structure of kainate receptor. Figure 2 shows a glimpse of processing of movies.

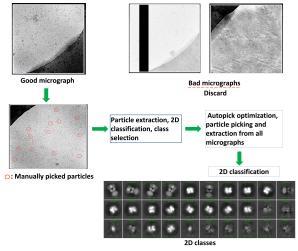


Figure 2: Data processing of motion corrected and CTF estimated movies