

EMDB & EMPIAR: Archiving of Electron Microscopy Data



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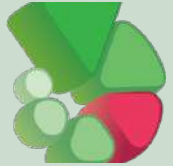
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Overview of session



Introduction to Structural archives

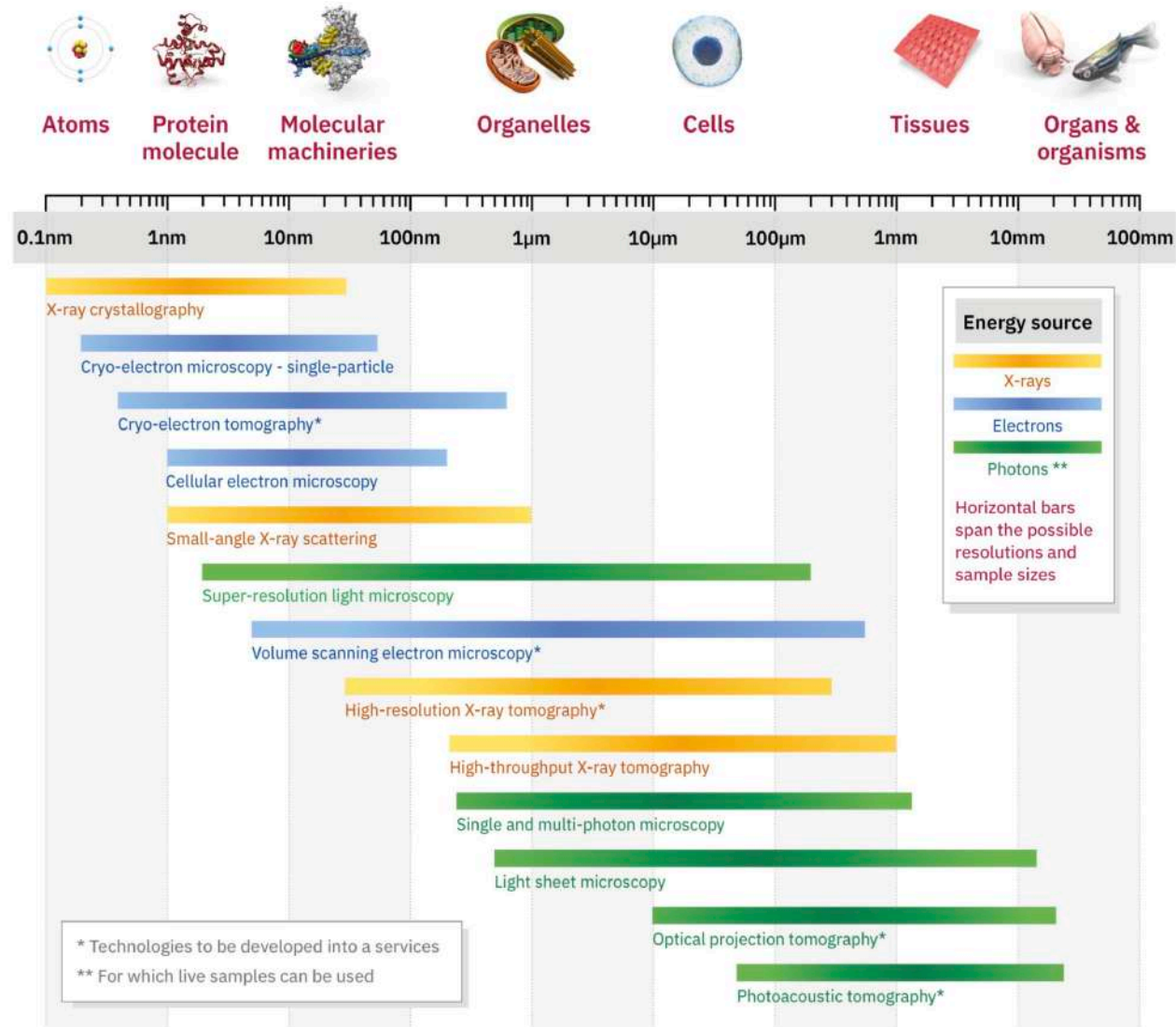


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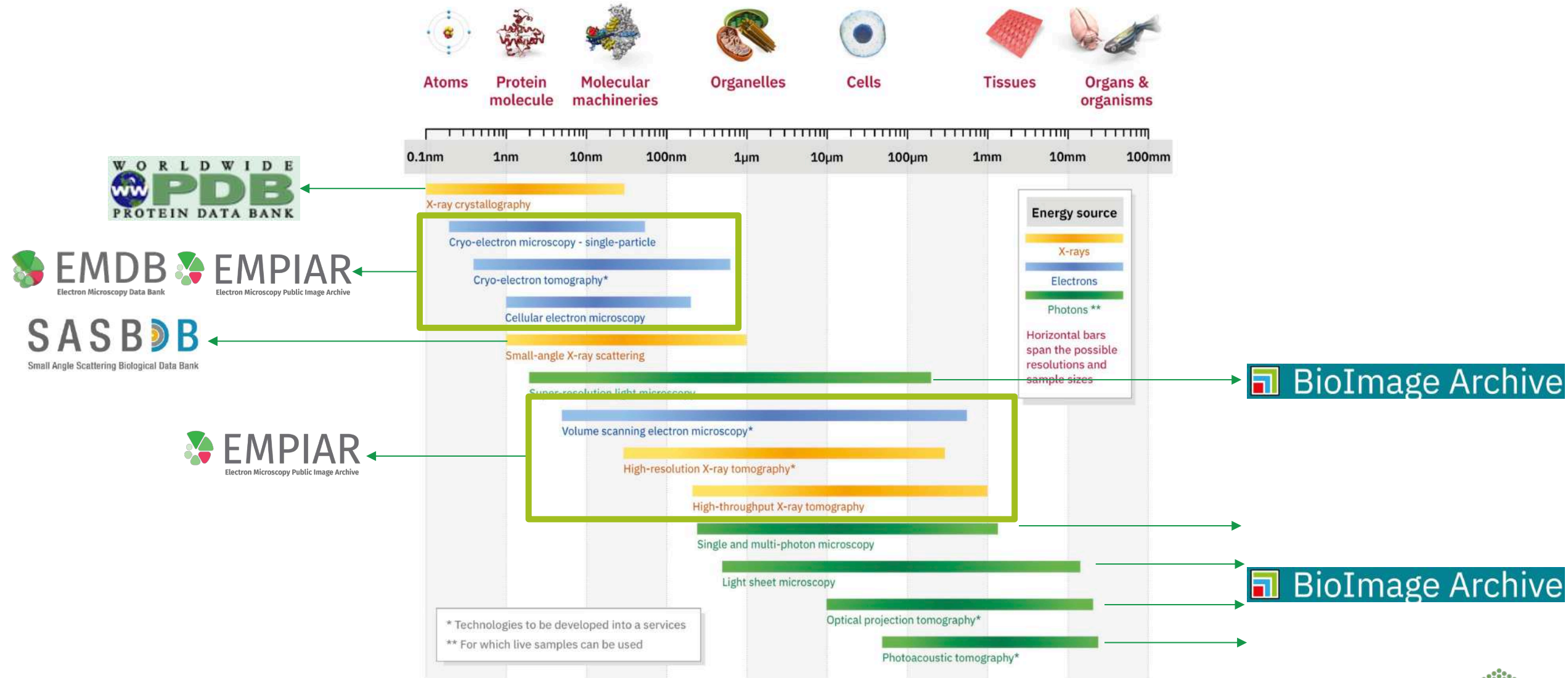


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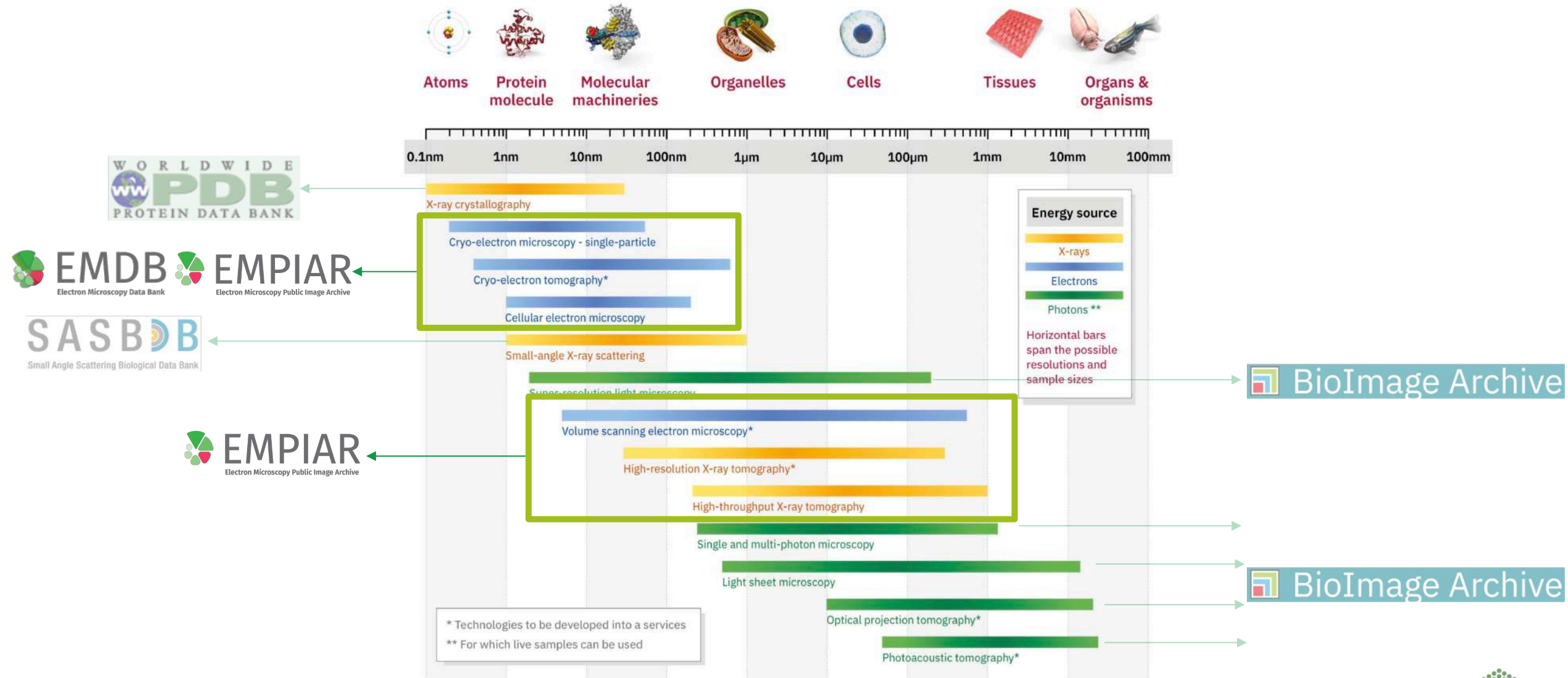
Archiving across scales



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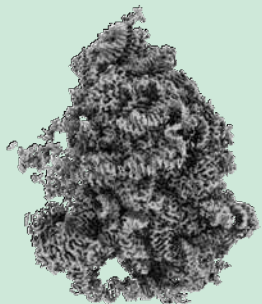


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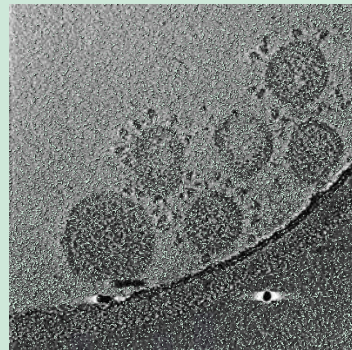


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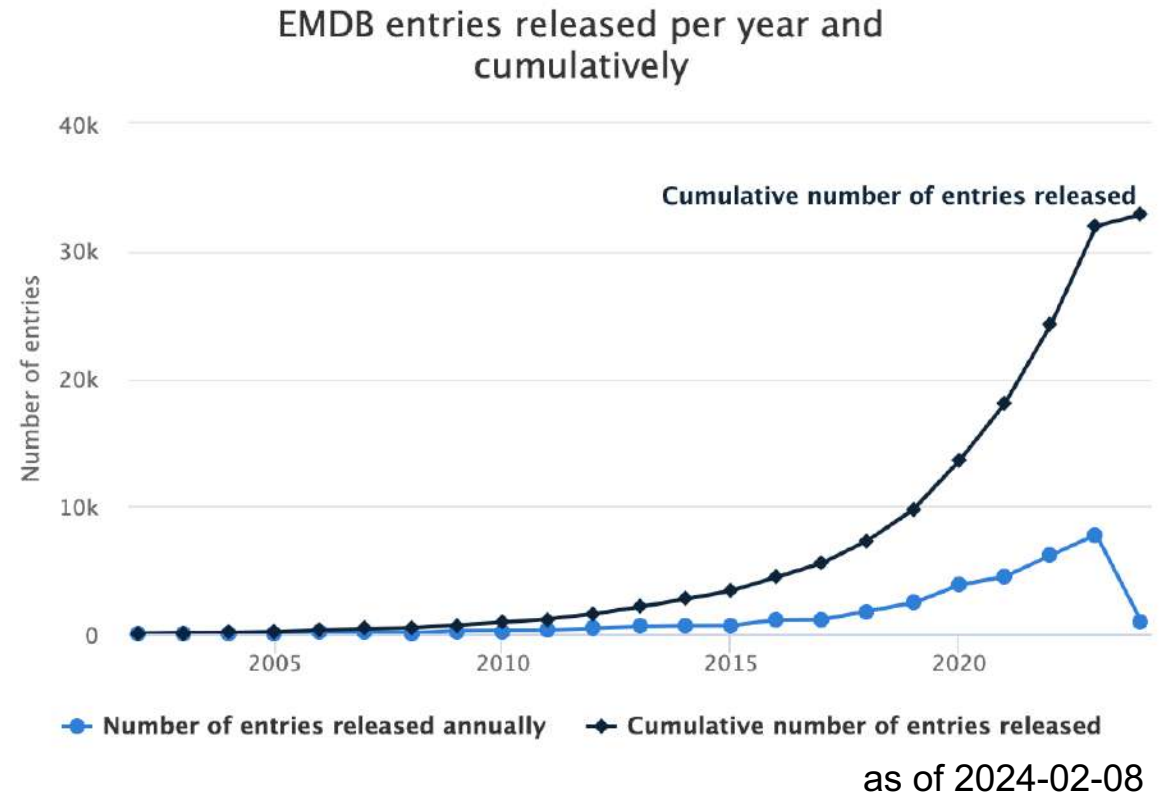
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- wwPDB Partner
- Electron microscopy volume maps and Tomograms
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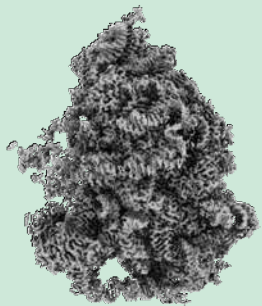


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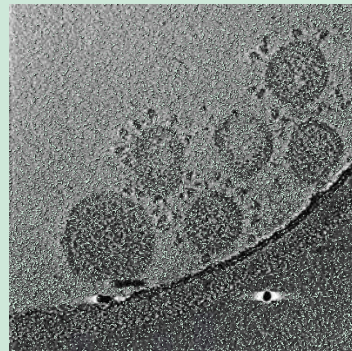


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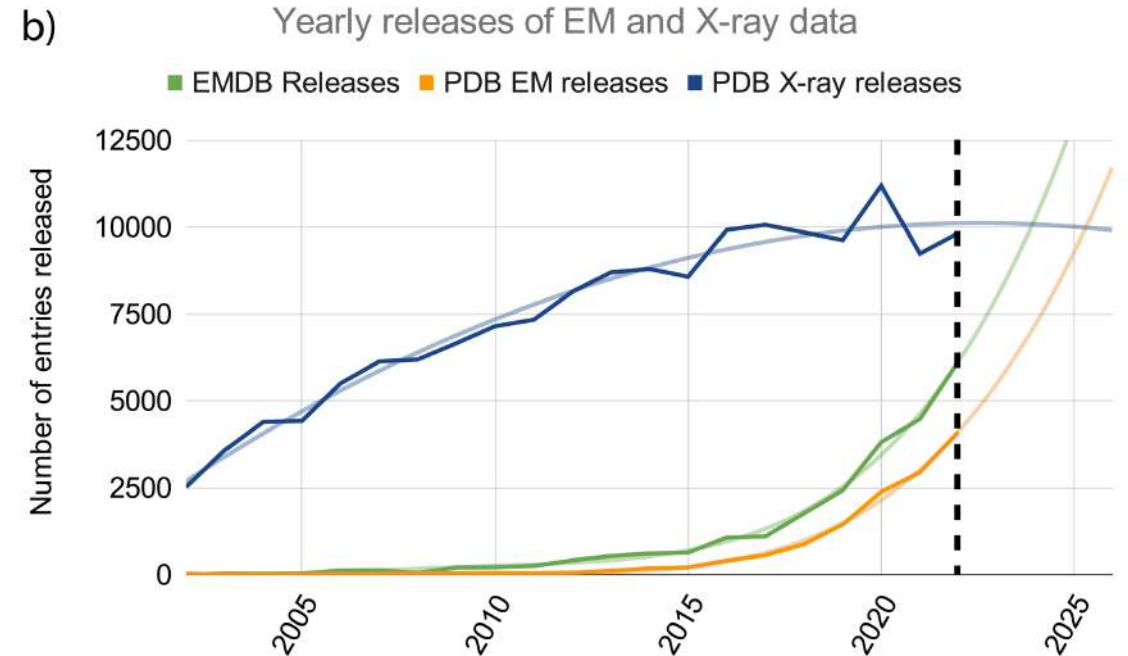
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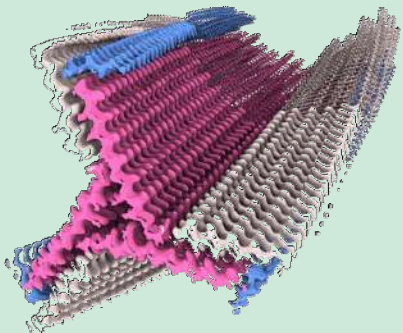
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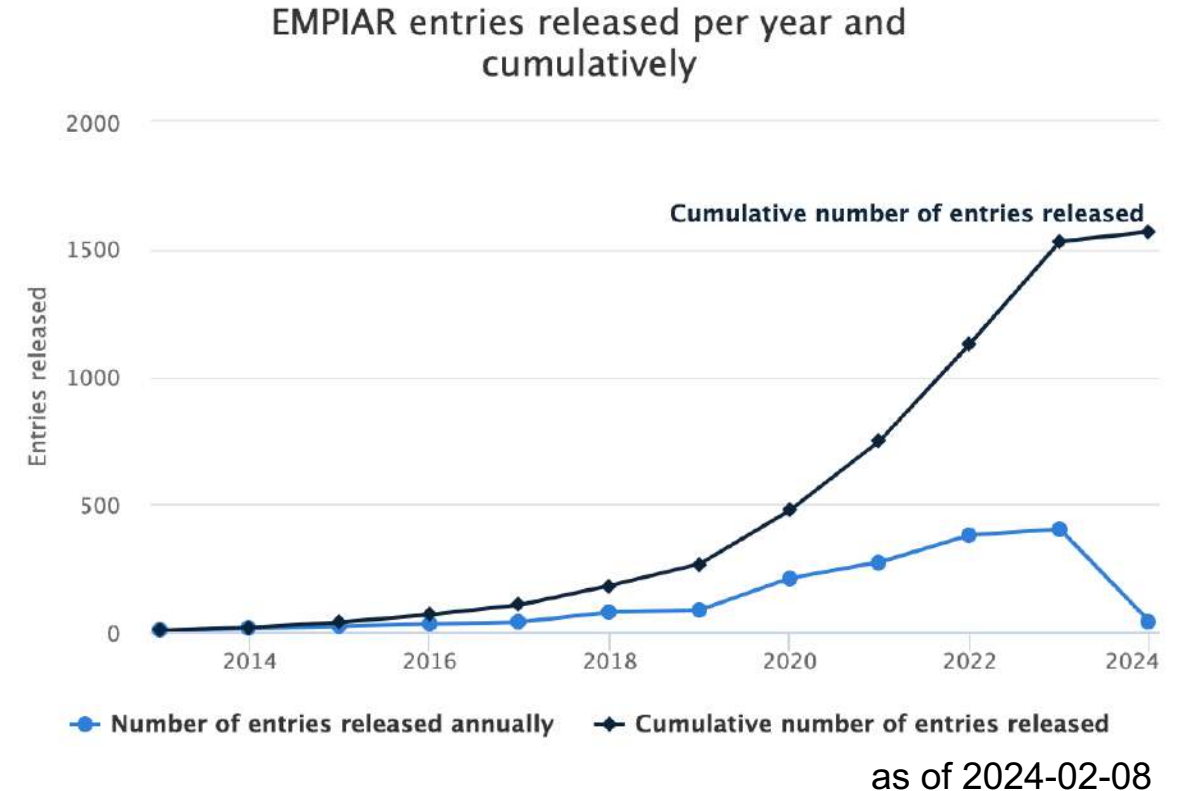
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Electron Microscopy Public Image Archive - EMPIAR

- Raw imaging data used to produce maps found in the EMDB
- Volume EM techniques and X-ray tomography and microscopy
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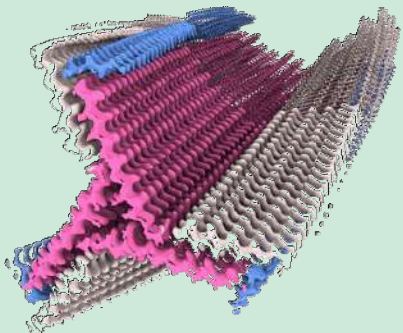


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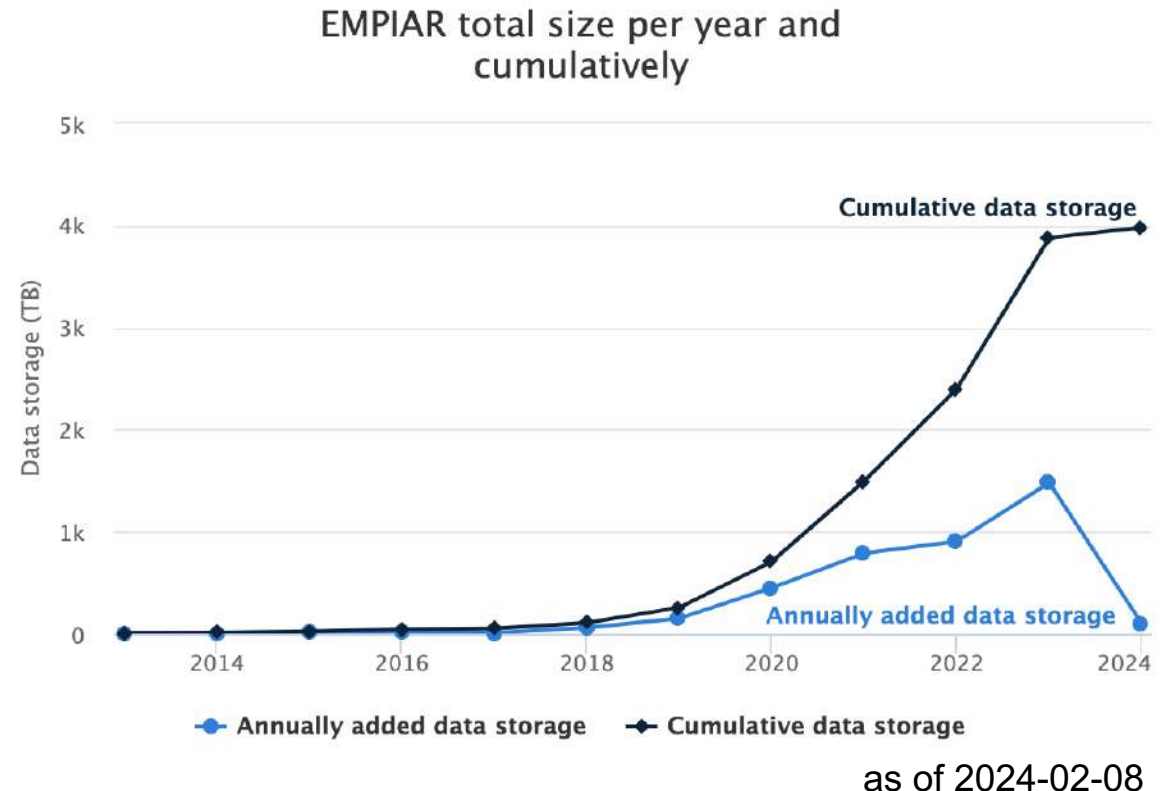


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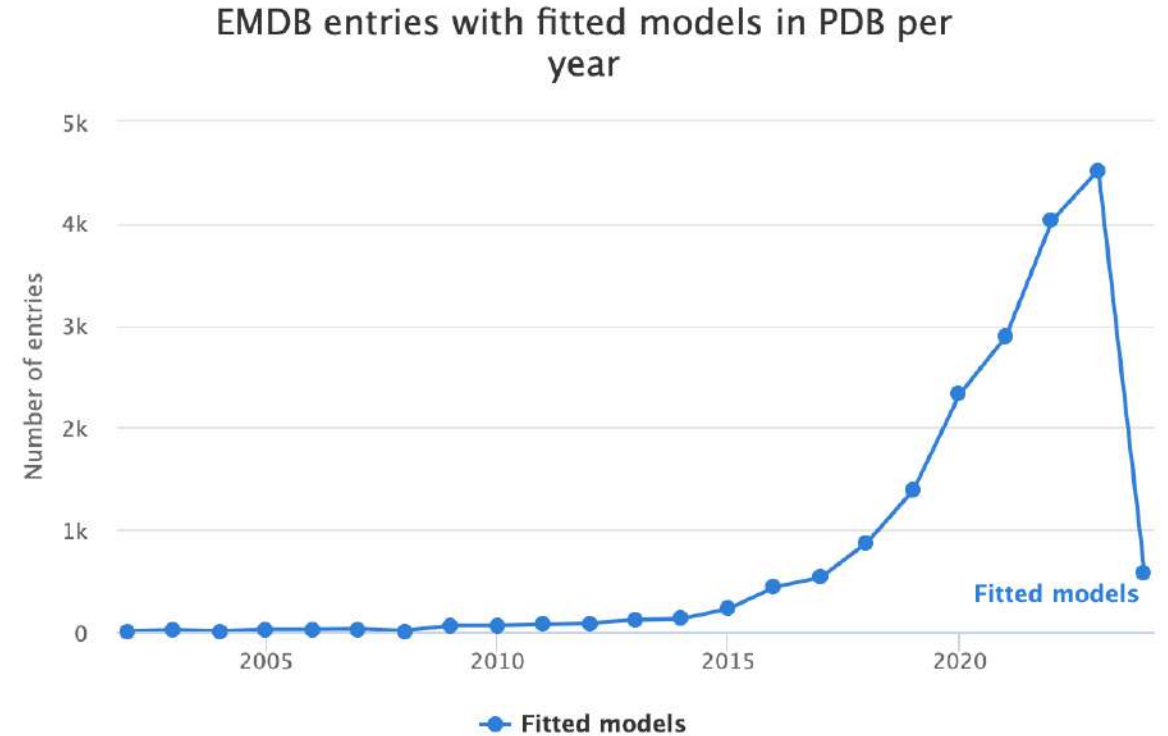
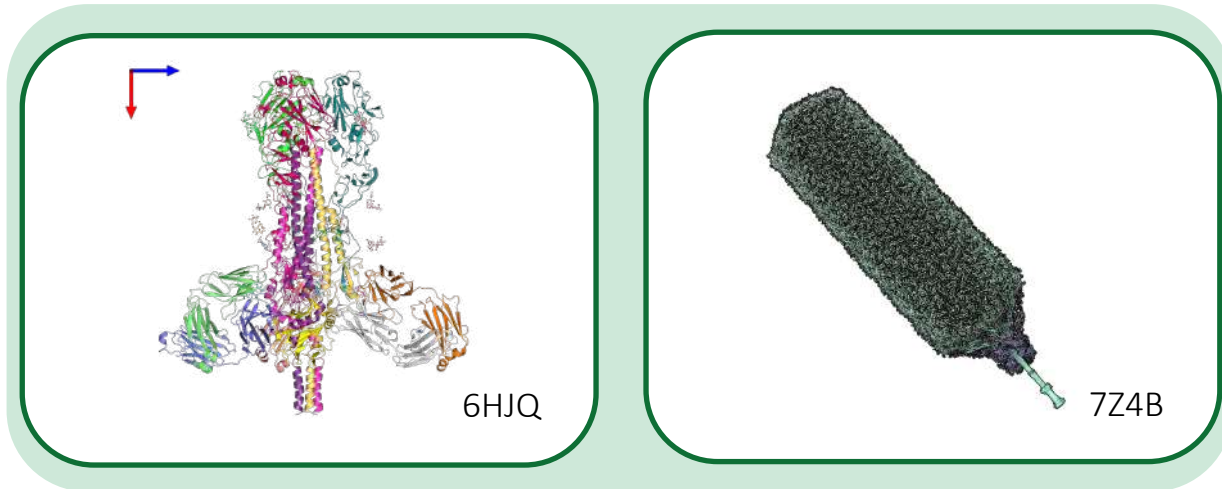
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Protein Data Bank - PDB



- Archiving Coordinate models from EM, X-ray and NMR
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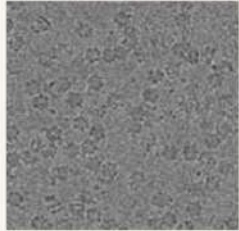
~18,500 entries

~15,000 entries last year


EMDB, EMPIAR & PDB Summary

- Archive the full electron microscopy (EM) processing workflow
- EMPIAR – Supporting development of software and scientists
- EMDb – Refined EM structures and tomograms
- PDB - Coordinate models from X-ray, EM and NMR

MODELLING IN ICE
In cryo-electron microscopy (cryo-EM), thousands of raw EM images are collected and computationally analysed to build up a density map that reflects the shape of the protein.

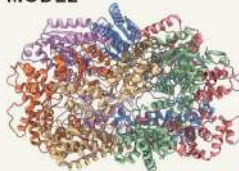
RAW IMAGE


Where to share data
Electron Microscopy Public Image Archive (EMPIAR)

MAP


Electron Microscopy Data Bank (EMDB)

This map is then combined with the known protein sequence to create a final model showing the placement of atomic groups.

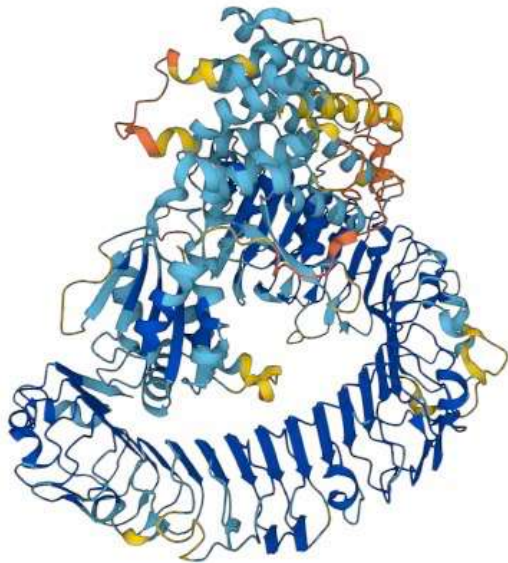
MODEL


Protein Data Bank (PDB)

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AlphaFold DB

- AlphaFold DB is a collaboration between EBI and Google Deepmind
- AlphaFold DB contains >200 million protein structure predictions
 - PDB contains ~216,000 structures



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Course



<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/training/online/courses/alphafold/>

EMDB Website



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EMDB Search

EMDB Search interface showing search results for 'ribosome'.

Sample name

- 70S ribosome [99]
- 80S ribosome [88]
- Ribosome [88]
- ribosome [55]
- Ribosome biogenesis protein RLP24 [53]

Organism

- Ribosome display vector pRDV [1]

Title

- Cryo-EM Structures and Translocation Mechanism of Crenarchaeota Ribosome [20]
- Annealing synchronizes 70S ribosome into minimum-energy conformation [16]
- Cryo-EM captures early ribosome assembly in action [16]
- Ensemble cryo-EM uncovers inchworm-like translocation of a viral IRES through the ribosome [12]
- Ribosome dynamics and tRNA movement as visualized by time-resolved electron cryomicroscopy [11]

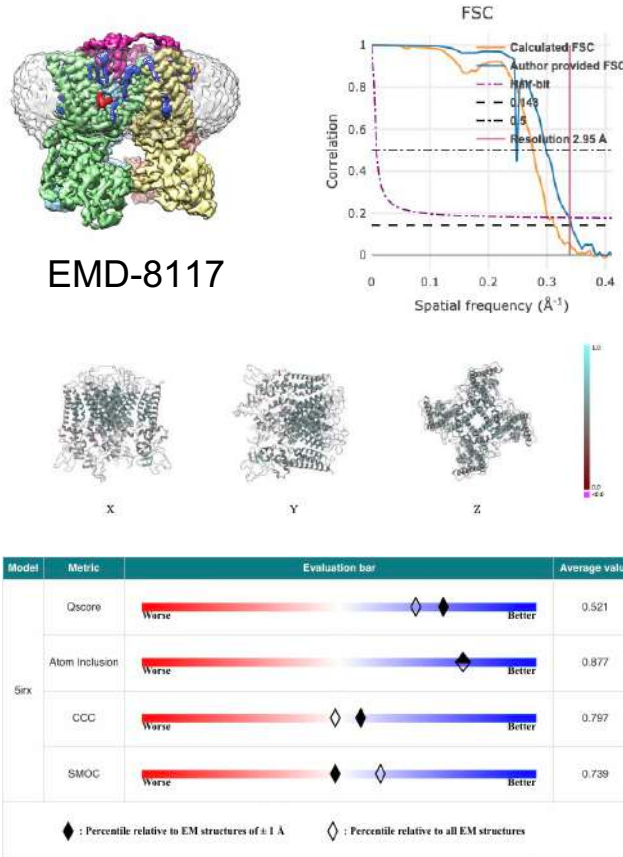
Gene Ontology

- structural constituent of ribosome [1169]
- ribosome [1051]
- ribosome biogenesis [567]
- ribosome binding [512]
- cytosolic ribosome assembly [373]

Search filters for EMDB:

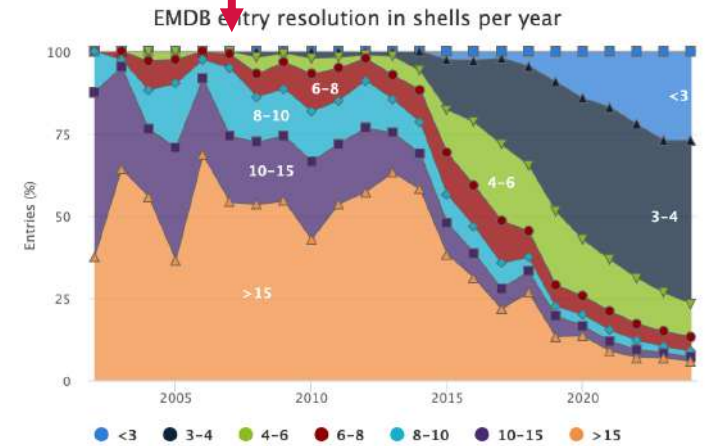
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- AlphaFold DB:** Condition: AND, Contains
- Fitted models:** Condition: NOT, Contains

EM Validation



EM Statistics

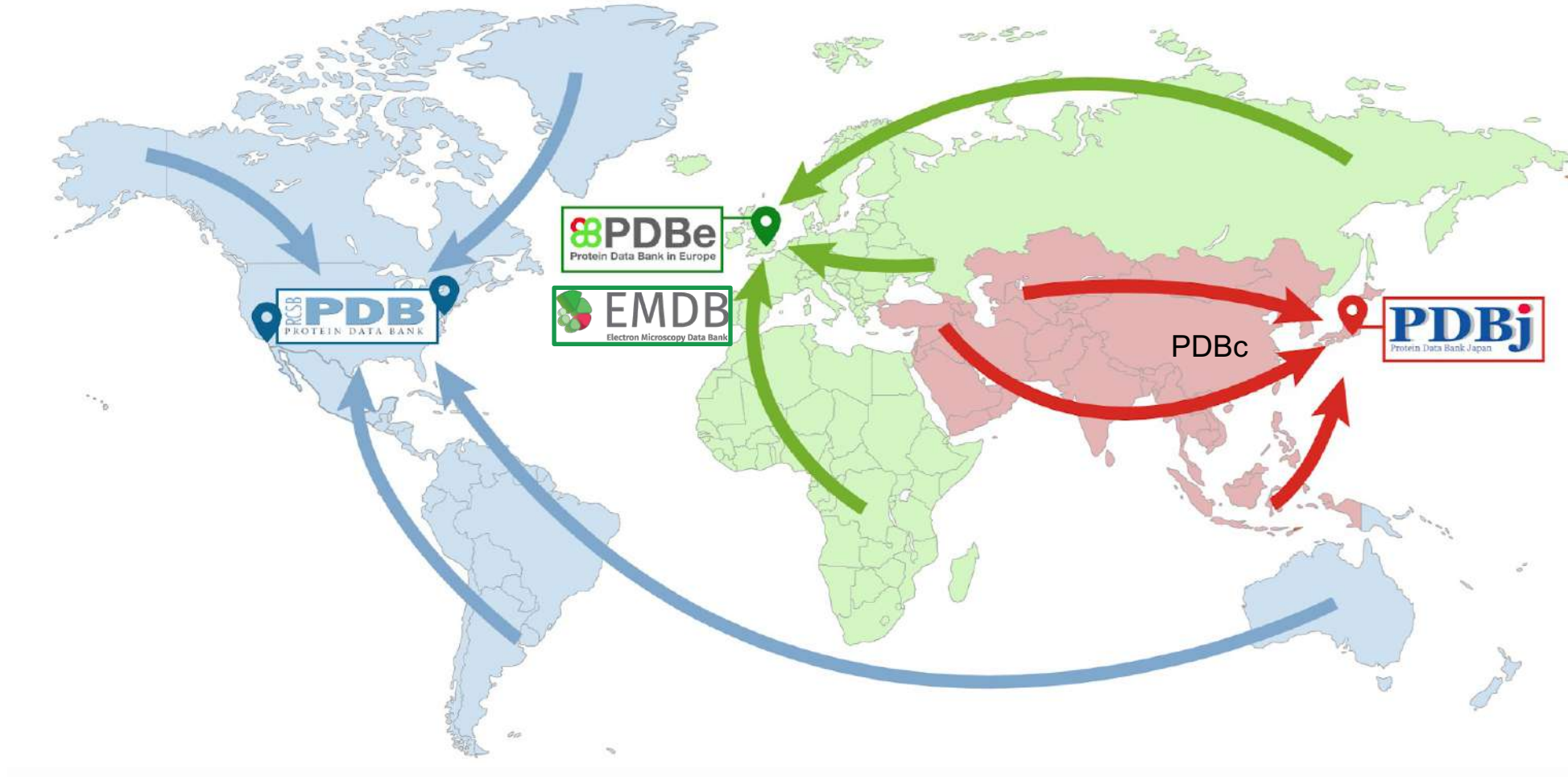
EMDB (Electron Microscopy Data Bank) homepage showing search bar, navigation menu, and news section.



EMDB/PDB Deposition



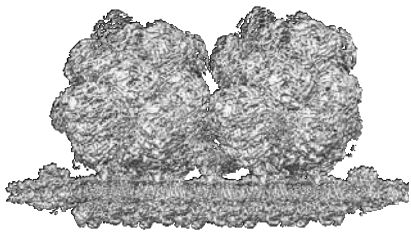
OneDep – A unified deposition system for EM, X-ray and NMR



EMDB - Methodologies

Single Particle

Double-PBS-PSII-PSI-LHCs megastructure



EMD-33658

[1]

Author List:
You X, Zhang X,
Cheng J, Xiao YN,
Sun S, Sui SF

Subtomogram Averaging

DNA Origami Signpost



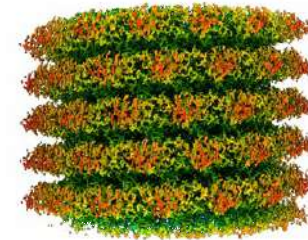
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[2]

Author List: silvester
E, Vollmer B, Prazak V,
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Whittle C, Black S, Bath J,
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K, Baker LA

Helical Reconstruction

Tobacco Mosaic Virus

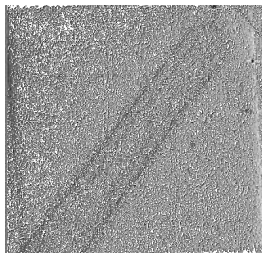


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Author List:
Bhella D, Love AJ,
Streetley J,
Taliensky M,
McGeachy K,
Bukharova T

Tomography

Syncytial Virus Filamentous Virion



EMD-13856

[3]

Author List:
Conley MJ,
Vijaykrishnan S,
Bhella D

Electron Crystallography

Metarhodopsin I



EMD-1079

[4]

Author List:
Ruprecht JJ,
Mielke T, Vogel
R, Villa C,
Schertler GFX

[1] You, X., Zhang, X., Cheng, J. et al. In situ structure of the red algal phycobilisome-PSII-PSI-LHC megastructure. Nature 616, 199–206 (2023). <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41586-023-05831-0>

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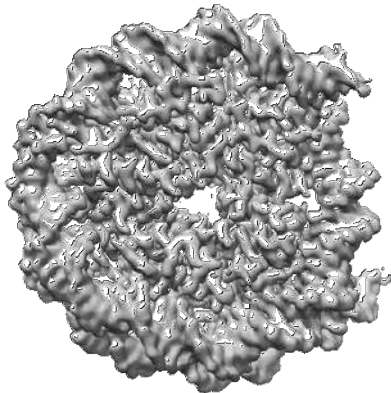
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EMDB Deposition - Types

Map Only



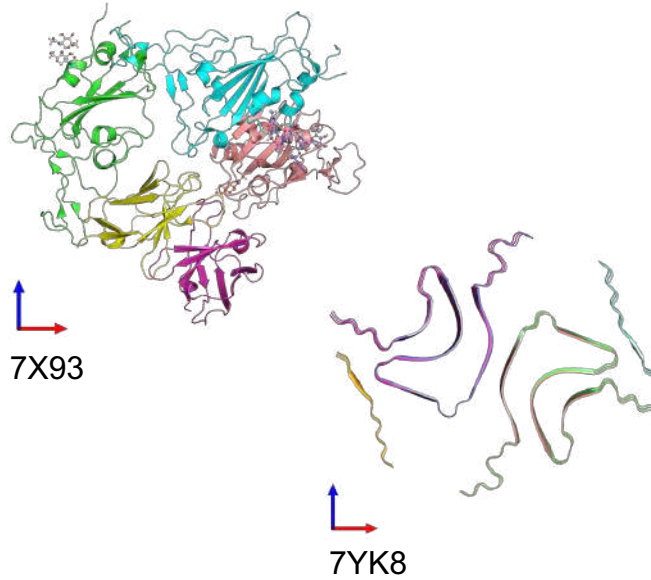
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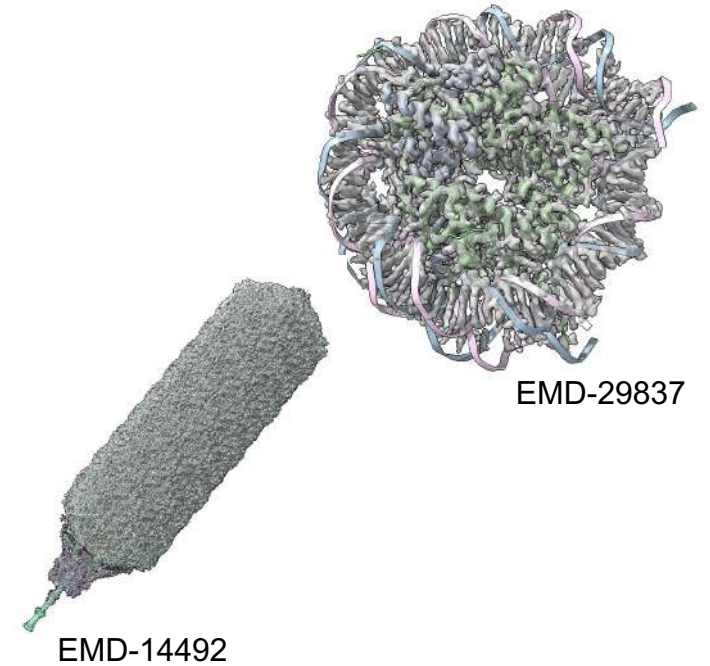
All Methodologies

Model Only



All methodologies
except Tomography

Map + Model



All methodologies
except Tomography

Must have associated map!

Depositing Data

mmCIF files

- PDB format now considered a legacy format
- mmCIF files are both model and metadata files
- mmCIF files also contain EM metadata and can be used in the absence of a model

mmCIF files

PDBx/mmCIF

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PDBx/mmCIF Dictionary Resources

This site provides information about the format, dictionaries and related software tools used by the Worldwide Protein Data Bank ([wwwPDB](http://www.pdb.org)) to define data content for deposition, annotation and archiving of PDB entries.

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FAQs

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<https://mmcif.wwpdb.org/>

mmCIF files

EMDB
Electron Microscopy Data Bank

Enter your search term(s) in the box below or [build an advanced search query](#)

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Examples: 1001, Apoferritin, Tomography, Rossmann MG, 5A1A

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EMD-19250
Single-particle
5.91 Å

3D View | Gallery

Deposition: 21/12/2023
Map released: 28/02/2024
Last modified: 28/02/2024

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EMD-19250 Download

Pseudoatomic model of a second-order Sierpinski triangle formed by the citrate synthase from *Synechococcus elongatus*

Metadata

- Experimental metadata (xml)
- Experimental Metadata (cif, z)
- EMICSS annotations (xml)

Model

Accession	PDBe	RCSB	PDBj
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Other sites

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Search current dictionary PDB

Data Item _em_imaging.microscope_model

Browse: Dictionary Category Groups Data Categories Data Items Supporting Data

General

Item name	_em_imaging.microscope_model
Category name	em_imaging
Attribute name	microscope_model
Required in PDB entries	yes
Used in current PDB entries	Yes, in about 4.5 % of entries

Item Description

The name of the model of microscope.

Controlled Vocabulary

Allowed Value

- FEI MORGAGNI
- FEI POLARA 300
- FEI TALOS ARCTICA
- FEI TECNAI 10
- FEI TECNAI 12
- FEI TECNAI 20
- FEI TECNAI ARCTICA
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- FEI/PHILIPS CM10
- FEI/PHILIPS CM12
- FEI/PHILIPS CM120T
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Entry annotation

- Transmod
 - Ligmod
 - Seqmod
 - Annmod
 - Reviewmod
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- -> output files and a wwPDB validation report

wwPDB validation report

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Full wwPDB EM Validation Report

EMD-0236, 6HJQ

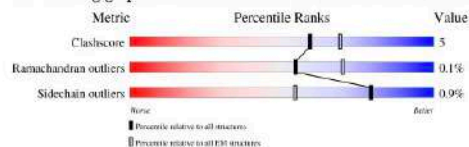
1 Overall quality at a glance i

The following experimental techniques were used to determine the structure:

ELECTRON MICROSCOPY

The reported resolution of this entry is 4.10 Å.

Percentile scores (ranging between 0-100) for global validation metrics of the entry are shown in the following graphic. The table shows the number of entries on which the scores are based.



Metric	Whole archive (#Entries)	EM structures (#Entries)
Clashscore	158937	4297
Ramachandran outliers	154571	4023
Sidechain outliers	154315	3826

The table below summarises the geometric issues observed across the polypeptide chains and their fit to the map. The red, orange, yellow and green segments of the bar indicate the fraction of residues that contain outliers for >=3, 2, 1 and 0 types of geometric quality criteria respectively. A grey segment represents the fraction of residues that are not modelled. The numeric value for each fraction is indicated below the corresponding segment, with a dot representing fractions <=5%. The upper red bar (where present) indicates the fraction of residues that have poor fit to the EM map (all-atom inclusion < 40%). The numeric value is given above the bar.

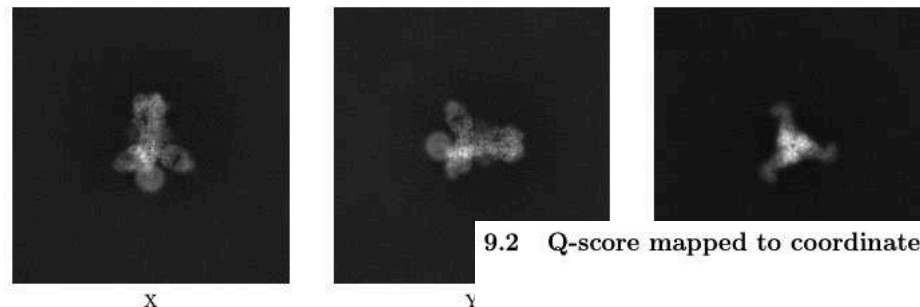
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1	E	324	91% 8%
2	B	203	96% 14%
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3	G	216	96% 14%
3	I	216	96% 14%

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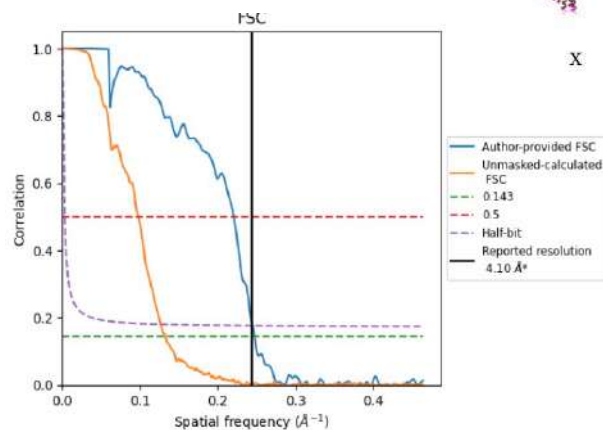
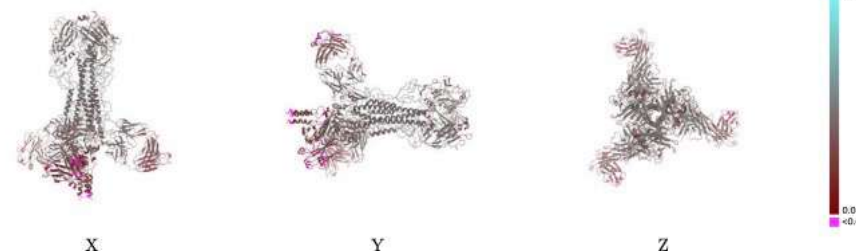


6.1 Orthogonal projections i

6.1.1 Primary map



9.2 Q-score mapped to coordinate model i



*Reported resolution corresponds to spatial frequency of 0.244 Å⁻¹

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EMPIAR deposition



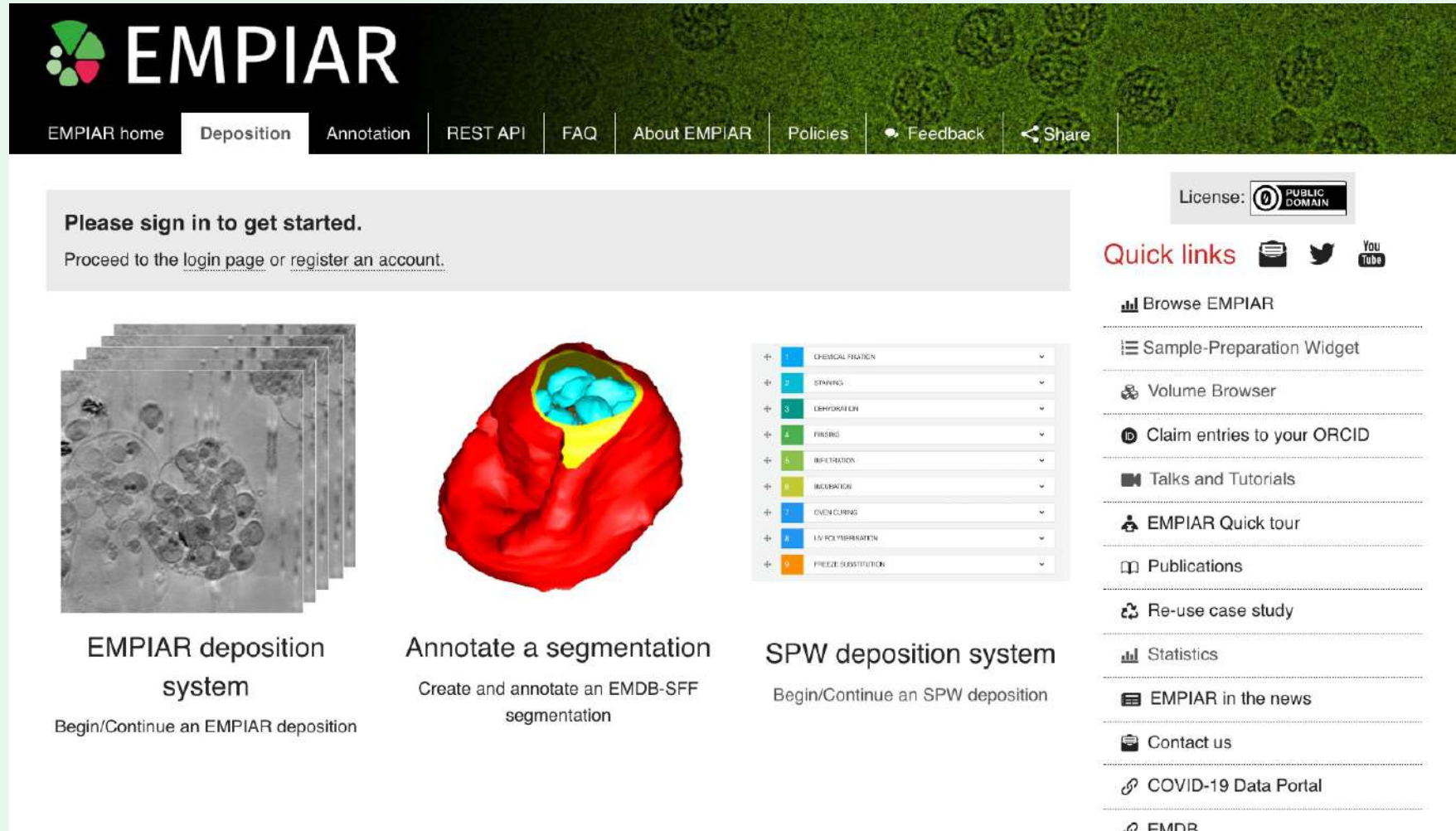
EMPIAR Deposition Step-By-Step

1. Register as a new user on EMPIAR's deposition system
2. Sign-in & Create a New Deposition
3. Complete the Deposition Overview Page
4. Granting rights or transferring ownership of an entry
5. Main EMPIAR Data Upload page
 - a. Globus
 - b. Aspera Command Line
 - c. Aspera Web Interface
6. Complete the Associate image sets with the data page & Submit

EMPIAR Deposition Policies

- EMPIAR is relatively unstructured compared to EMDB
- Policies pages should be visited to understand accepted file types
- Supported Methods (more info on the policies pages):
 - i. EMDB - raw image data relating to structures deposited to the EMDB
 - ii. SBF-SEM - image data collected using serial block-face scanning electron microscopy (like the Gatan 3View system)
 - iii. SXT - image data collected using soft x-ray tomography
 - iv. FIB SEM - image data collected using focused ion beam scanning electron microscopy
 - v. IHM - integrative hybrid modelling data
 - vi. CLEM - correlative light-electron microscopy
 - vii. CLXM - correlative light X-ray microscopy
 - viii. MicroED - microcrystal electron diffraction
 - ix. ATUM-SEM - Automated Tape-collecting Ultramicrotome Scanning Electron Microscopy
 - x. Hard X-ray/X-ray microCT - Hard X-ray/X-ray micro-computed tomography
 - xi. ssET - serial section electron tomography

EMPIAR Deposition Setup



The screenshot shows the EMPIAR website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the EMPIAR logo and menu items: EMPIAR home, Deposition (highlighted), Annotation, REST API, FAQ, About EMPIAR, Policies, Feedback, and Share. Below the navigation bar, a grey box prompts users to sign in. The main content area is divided into three columns: EMPIAR deposition system (with a stack of micrographs), Annotate a segmentation (with a 3D red and yellow model), and SPW deposition system (with a dropdown menu of actions). On the right, there is a 'Quick links' sidebar with a 'License: PUBLIC DOMAIN' badge and various utility links.

EMPIAR

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- Volume Browser
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EMPIAR deposition system
Begin/Continue an EMPIAR deposition

Annotate a segmentation
Create and annotate an EMDB-SFF segmentation

SPW deposition system
Begin/Continue an SPW deposition

+	1	CHEMICAL FIXATION	▼
+	2	STAINING	▼
+	3	DEHYDRATION	▼
+	4	FIXING	▼
+	5	INFILTRATION	▼
+	6	RECAPTURE	▼
+	7	COVER SLIPPING	▼
+	8	UV POLYMERIZATION	▼
+	9	FREEZE SUBSTITUTION	▼

<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/empiar/deposition/choose-action/>

EMPIAR Deposition Overview Page

The screenshot shows the EMPIAR Deposition Overview Page. The sidebar on the left contains the following items:

- EMPIAR deposition system
- You are logged in as EMPIAR_Depositor
- Edit profile
- Home
- Deposition manual (highlighted with a red box)
- EMPIAR Helpdesk
- Get empiar-depositor API token
- Log out
- Deposition-related tasks
 - Deposition overview
 - Deposition help

The main content area displays:

- Release Lock
- Deposition ID: 627
- Overview
- Deposition image section with a 'Choose a file' button and 'Save', 'Save & Validate', and 'Submit entry' buttons.
- Citations section with a table of citation data.

1	DOI:	10.1016/j.ccell.2015.10.055	Get citation from ID	N/A
	PubMed ID:	26548953	Get citation from ID	N/A
	Citation type:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> journal <input type="radio"/> non-journal		
	Published:	<input type="radio"/> yes <input type="radio"/> no		
	Title:	Cryo electron tomography of herpes simplex virus during axonal transport and secondary envelopment in primary neurons		
	Preprint:	<input type="radio"/> yes <input type="radio"/> no		
	Journal:	Nature Methods		N/A
	Journal abbreviation:	Nat. Methods		N/A
	Country:	*****		
	Issue:	10		N/A
	Volume:	2		N/A
	First page:	635		N/A

Deposition manual available if you get stuck

Citation can be pulled from DOI or PubMed ID

Grey = Optional
Orange = Mandatory
(N/A is clickable for optional fields)

EMPIAR Deposition - File Upload

- Aspera
- Globus
- FTP (Not recommended)

Deposition ID: 650


Upload data



▲ Removal of the uploaded files is available only by [request](#).


▲ Aspera upload may be blocked by your system's firewall. If your upload via Aspera fails, then please make sure that your system has SSH allowed and that your UDP port 330001 is open. More information on setting up firewall for Aspera [here](#).


▲ If you have already finished uploading your files, please proceed [here](#) to associate the image sets with the data, where you can also check the success of the upload (whether the uploaded data and the data stored on your side are the same).

Options for upload:

 **Globus**

1. Please follow the [official guide](#) to register (this is free) and set up Globus.
2. **Open Globus transfer interface.**
IMPORTANT: Login into it before proceeding to the next step.
3. Once logged into Globus, **access the EMBL-EBI upload endpoint.**
4. Now you will be prompted for a username and password for the EMBL-EBI endpoint:
 - Username: 
 - Password: 
5. Once logged into the endpoint, **open your EMPIAR directory.**
6. **Make sure** that the Globus Path you are in does not contain "tmp" in it, as the temporary directory is visible to others. If you see "tmp", please try following instructions above again before contacting the [EMPIAR team](#).
7. You will need to select the data source endpoint as per the official guide in step 1. Please follow it to initiate the transfer from your endpoint into your EMPIAR directory. Globus will send you an email when the transfer has been completed.

 **Aspera command line**

 **Aspera web interface**

EMPIAR Deposition - Overview

1. Gather Information

- EMPIAR accepts various types of data, including multi-frame micrographs, frame-averaged micrographs, particle stacks and tilt series, as well as auxiliary files (*e.g.* particle selection coordinates)
 - Make a note of dataset details (*e.g.* # of images (or tilt-series), raw or processed, single or multi-frame, image format and dimensions, pixel spacing and type)

2. Organise your Data!

- Each data-type must be located in a separate directory (*e.g.* one for micrographs and one for particle stacks) and please sub-divide directories possessing more than 10,000 files

3. Setup Data Transfer Programs

- Aspera (<http://asperasoft.com>) and Globus (<https://www.globus.org>) efficiently and robustly transfer large data volumes (empiar.org/faq)

4. Deposit your Data and Metadata (empiar.org/deposition)

Deposition Summary

- EMDB and PDB deposition occurs through OneDep system
- Please use **Login with ORCID!**
- **mmCIF file are also metadata files**
- EMPIAR deposition occurs through a separate system

Questions and links

EMDB Website



<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/emdb/>

AlphaFold Course



<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/training/online/courses/alphafold/>

OneDep Validation Server



<https://validate-rcsb-2.wwpdb.org/>

EMDB API



Google Colab notebook