# Structure determination of macromolecular assemblies by solid-state NMR

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# Non covalent assembly of multiple copies of subunits into a large suprastructure

Self-organizations, supramolecular assemblies Macromolecular assemblies, macromolecular complexes

#### **Mesoscopic scale:**

- . Fibrils
- . Filaments, protofilaments . Nanotubes
- . Oligomers
- . Aggregates, etc.



#### . Crucial in many fundamental cellular processes:

Propagation of information, protein transport, bacterial and viral infection, cell motility, etc.

# . Assembly driven by weak interactions, but they are usually well defined in morphology

#### THE STATE-OF-THE-ART APPROACH

### LETTER

doi:10.1038/nature09372

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K. Namba Nature 2010



F-actin: 6.6 À

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. Native conformation / refolding upon the assembly ?

. Subunit-subunit interfaces ?

Assumptions are required to generate
3D models

#### 3D MODELS FROM CRYSTAL STRUCTURE

#### see Eisenberg and co.



Urgent need for new approaches to investigate self-assemblies in the intact assembled state at atomic resolution

#### SOLID-STATE NMR (SSNMR)



SSNMR rotors



Magic-angle spinning



#### High resolution

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SSNMR rotors



 $\mathsf{B}_0$ 



Magic-angle spinning

#### High resolution

30 ppm

. Neither longe-range order nor solubility required

. Solid to semi-solid samples

. Proteoliposomes, oligomers, fibrils, filaments, precipitates, gels, frozen solutions, nanoparticles, etc...

# Solid-state NMR and structural biology

#### SSNMR & STRUCTURAL BIOLOGY



## **Cristalline samples**



#### 1st SSNMR assignment



Journal of Biomolecular NMR, 16: 209–219, 2000. KLUWER/ESCOM

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# Partial NMR assignments for uniformly (<sup>13</sup>C, <sup>15</sup>N)-enriched BPTI in the solid state

Ann McDermott<sup>a,\*</sup>, Tatyana Polenova<sup>a,\*\*</sup>, Anja Bockmann<sup>a,\*\*\*</sup>, Kurt. W. Zilm<sup>b,\*</sup>, Eric K. Paulsen<sup>b</sup>, Rachel W. Martin<sup>b</sup> & Gaetano T. Montelione<sup>c</sup>



### **2003** SSNMR on protein nanocrystals



Available online at www.sciencedirect.com



Journal of Magnetic Resonance 165 (2003) 162-174



www.elsevier.com/locate/jmr

#### Preparation of protein nanocrystals and their characterization by solid state NMR

Rachel W. Martin and Kurt W. Zilm\*



#### **2002** 1st protein structure (microcrystals)

#### letters to nature

# Structure of a protein determined by solid-state magic-angle-spinning NMR spectroscopy

Federica Castellani, Barth van Rossum, Annette Diehl, Mario Schubert, Kristina Rehbein & Hartmut Oschkinat





#### 2008 Uniformly <sup>13</sup>C/<sup>15</sup>N labeled samples

#### 3D Structure Determination of the Crh Protein from Highly Ambiguous Solid-State NMR Restraints

Antoine Loquet,<sup>‡</sup> Benjamin Bardiaux,<sup>#</sup> Carole Gardiennet,<sup>‡</sup> Christophe Blanchet,<sup>‡</sup> Marc Baldus,<sup>§</sup> Michael Nilges,<sup>#</sup> Thérèse Malliavin,<sup>#</sup> and Anja Böckmann<sup>\*,‡</sup>



#### Protein Structure Determination from <sup>13</sup>C Spin-Diffusion Solid-State NMR Spectroscopy

Theofanis Manolikas,<sup>†</sup> Torsten Herrmann,<sup>‡</sup> and Beat H. Meier<sup>\*,†</sup>



#### 2015 Sub-mg microcrystalline protein

#### De Novo 3D Structure Determination from Sub-milligram Protein Samples by Solid-State 100 kHz MAS NMR Spectroscopy\*\*

Vipin Agarwal, Susanne Penzel, Kathrin Szekely, Riccardo Cadalbert, Emilie Testori, Andres Oss, Jaan Past, Ago Samoson,\* Matthias Ernst,\* Anja Böckmann,\* and Beat H. Meier\*



# **Amyloid fibrils**

#### 2002

## Amyloid fibril: 3D model

# A structural model for Alzheimer's $\beta$ -amyloid fibrils based on experimental constraints from solid state NMR

Aneta T. Petkova\*, Yoshitaka Ishii\*<sup>†</sup>, John J. Balbach\*, Oleg N. Antzutkin<sup>‡</sup>, Richard D. Leapman<sup>§</sup>, Frank Delaglio\*, and Robert Tycko\*<sup>1</sup>



#### 2005 Structure - polymorphism - toxicity

Science

quiescent

agitated

AAAS

#### Self-Propagating, Molecular-Level Polymorphism in Alzheimer's β-Amyloid Fibrils

Aneta T. Petkova,<sup>1</sup> Richard D. Leapman,<sup>2</sup> Zhihong Guo,<sup>3</sup> Wai-Ming Yau,<sup>1</sup> Mark P. Mattson,<sup>3</sup> Robert Tycko<sup>1\*</sup>



#### Amyloid fibril: atomic structure

# Amyloid Fibrils of the HET-s(218–289) Prion Form a $\beta$ Solenoid with a Triangular Hydrophobic Core

Christian Wasmer,\* Adam Lange,\* Hélène Van Melckebeke,\* Ansgar B. Siemer,† Roland Riek, Beat H. Meier‡

2008



#### Amyloid beta in brain tissue

#### Molecular Structure of β-Amyloid Fibrils in Alzheimer's Disease Brain Tissue

Jun-Xia Lu,<sup>1</sup> Wei Qiang,<sup>1</sup> Wai-Ming Yau,<sup>1</sup> Charles D. Schwieters,<sup>2</sup> Stephen C. Meredith,<sup>3</sup> and Robert Tycko<sup>1,\*</sup>



Cell



2013

## **Membrane proteins**

### 2013 Membrane protein structure

# Solid-state NMR spectroscopy structure determination of a lipid-embedded heptahelical membrane protein

Shenlin Wang<sup>1,2</sup>, Rachel A Munro<sup>1,2</sup>, Lichi Shi<sup>1,2,6</sup>, Izuru Kawamura<sup>1,6</sup>, Takashi Okitsu<sup>3</sup>, Akimori Wada<sup>3</sup>, So-Young Kim<sup>4,5</sup>, Kwang-Hwan Jung<sup>4,5</sup>, Leonid S Brown<sup>1,2</sup> & Vladimir Ladizhansky<sup>1,2</sup>



#### 2012 In-cell SSNMR of membrane proteins

# Cellular solid-state nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy

Marie Renault<sup>a</sup>, Ria Tommassen-van Boxtel<sup>b</sup>, Martine P. Bos<sup>b</sup>, Jan Andries Post<sup>c</sup>, Jan Tommassen<sup>b,1</sup>, and Marc Baldus<sup>a,1</sup>



# New SSNMR approaches to tackle macromolecular protein assemblies

### <sup>13</sup>C SPIN DILUTION

Dilution of the <sup>13</sup>C spin network to reach ultra-sparsely labeled materials



J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2011

#### ULTRA HIGH RESOLUTION SSNMR

Type III Secretion System Needle



J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2011

#### SPIN DILUTION + 3D SPECTROSCOPY

#### NMR assignment & secondary structure from a single 3D



J. Biomol. NMR 2013

#### DETECTION OF DISTANCE RESTRAINTS

Type III Secretion System Needle PDSD 850ms



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Distinction between intra-subunit and inter-subunit restraints



# Unambiguous detection of supramolecular interactions

### CONCEPT OF THE METHOD



*J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2010** *Nature* **2012** 

Acc. Chem. Res. 2013

#### AMYLOID FIBRILS



J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2010

## HELICAL FILAMENTS



Acc. Chem. Res. 2013

#### **BUILDING-BLOCK STRUCTURE**





J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2013

### HELICAL HANDEDNESS



#### 

- Right-handed filaments
- Axial rise per unit of 4.16 ± 2.1 Å (SSNMR)
- Axial rise per unit of 4.2 Å (STEM)

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2013

# Towards atomic structures of complex biological supramolecular assemblies









#### TOWARDS HYBRID APPROACHES

#### **Protocols to combine cryo-EM and SSNMR**



Nature Comm. 2014

9.8 %

Shortest inter-atomic distance (A)

#### TOWARDS COMPLEX ASSEMBLIES





Submitted



Comparison SSNMR assignments vs. LSNMR data





Submitted



#### AMYLOID FIBRILS IN APOPTOSIS



NWD2 amyloid fibrils







#### PRACTICAL ASPECTS

 $\cdot$  1-20mg for <sup>13</sup>C / <sup>15</sup>N detection . Sample quantity: . few mg for <sup>1</sup>H detection, but: . you need to perform deuteration . use small rotor . distance restraints are more difficult to measure . from solid to semi-solid (no liquid !) . Sample state: . as concentrated as possible . site-specific study: up to 350 residues . Molecular size: . structure determination: up to 150-200 residues . no limitation on the object size

#### . Structural order:

- . as high as possible, to limit the number of conformers . standard MAS SSNMR: rigid part of the protein . J-based MAS SSNMR: mobile regions