



Integrative Structural Biology Summer School

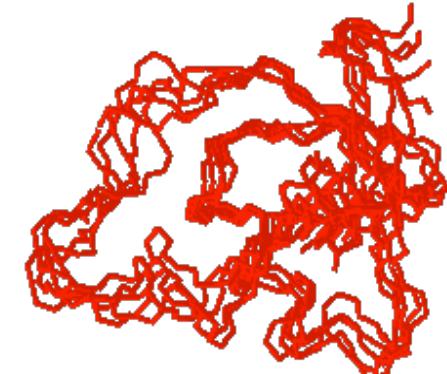
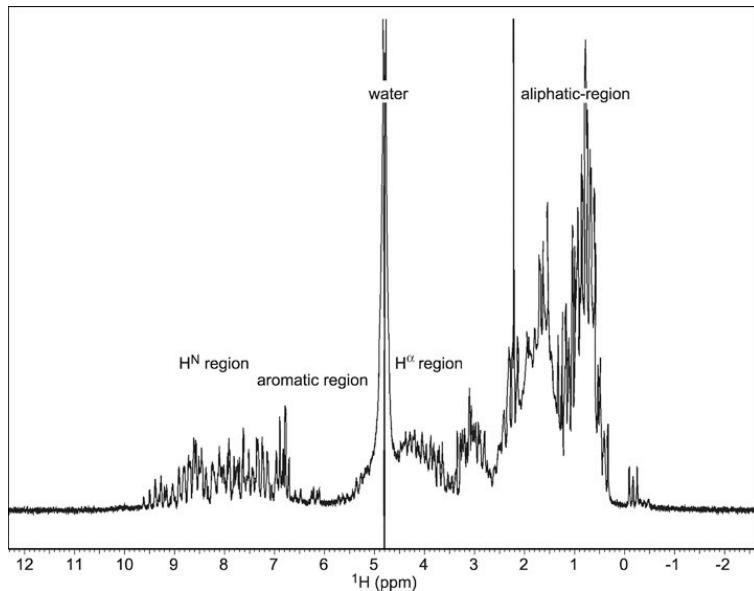
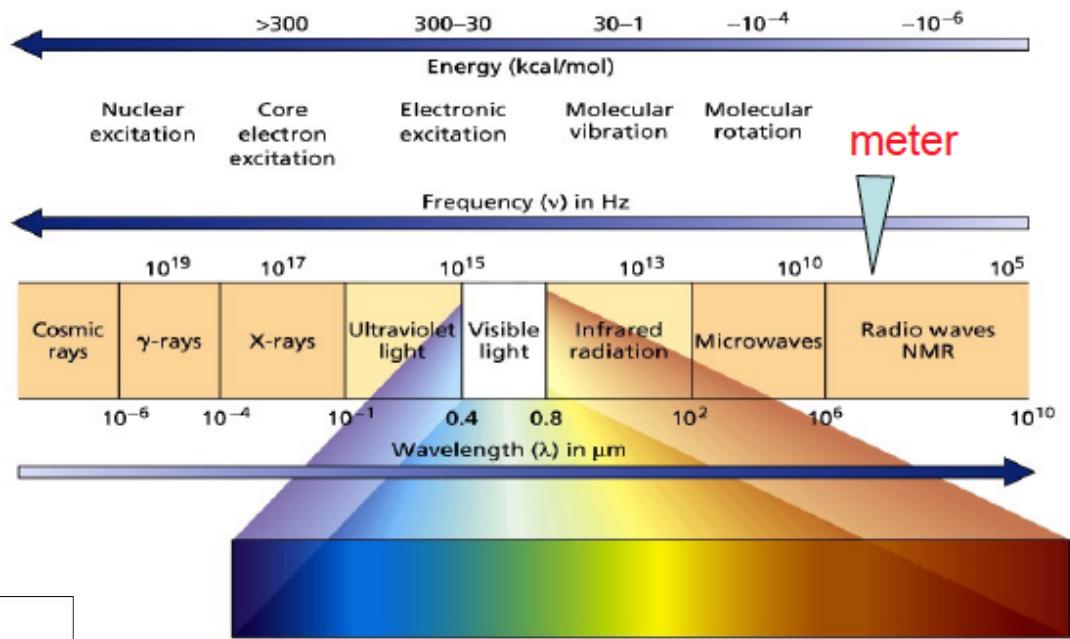
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NMR spectroscopy: major advances and future developments

Biomolecular NMR : 35 years of methodological developments

K. Wüthrich
Protein Struct.

1980
500 MHz

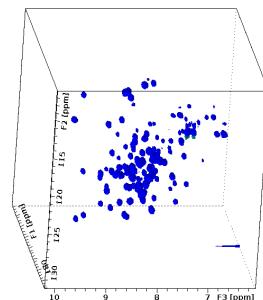


NMR: principles of structure determination

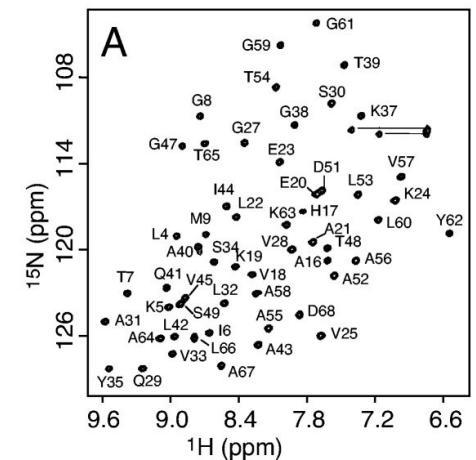
NMR sample



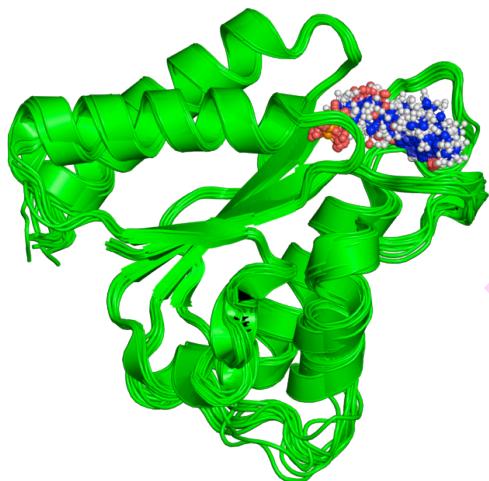
NMR data acquisition



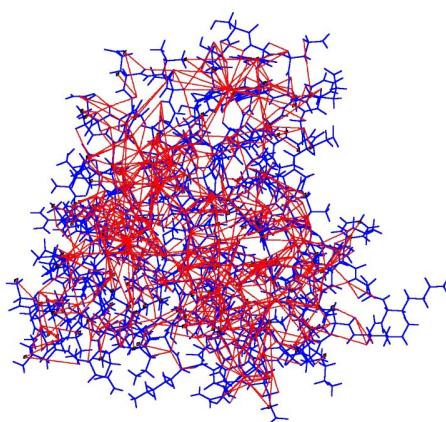
Resonance assignment



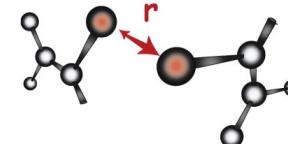
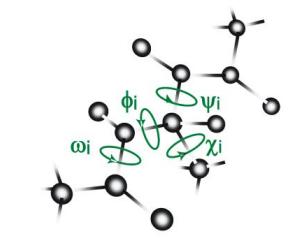
Structural ensemble



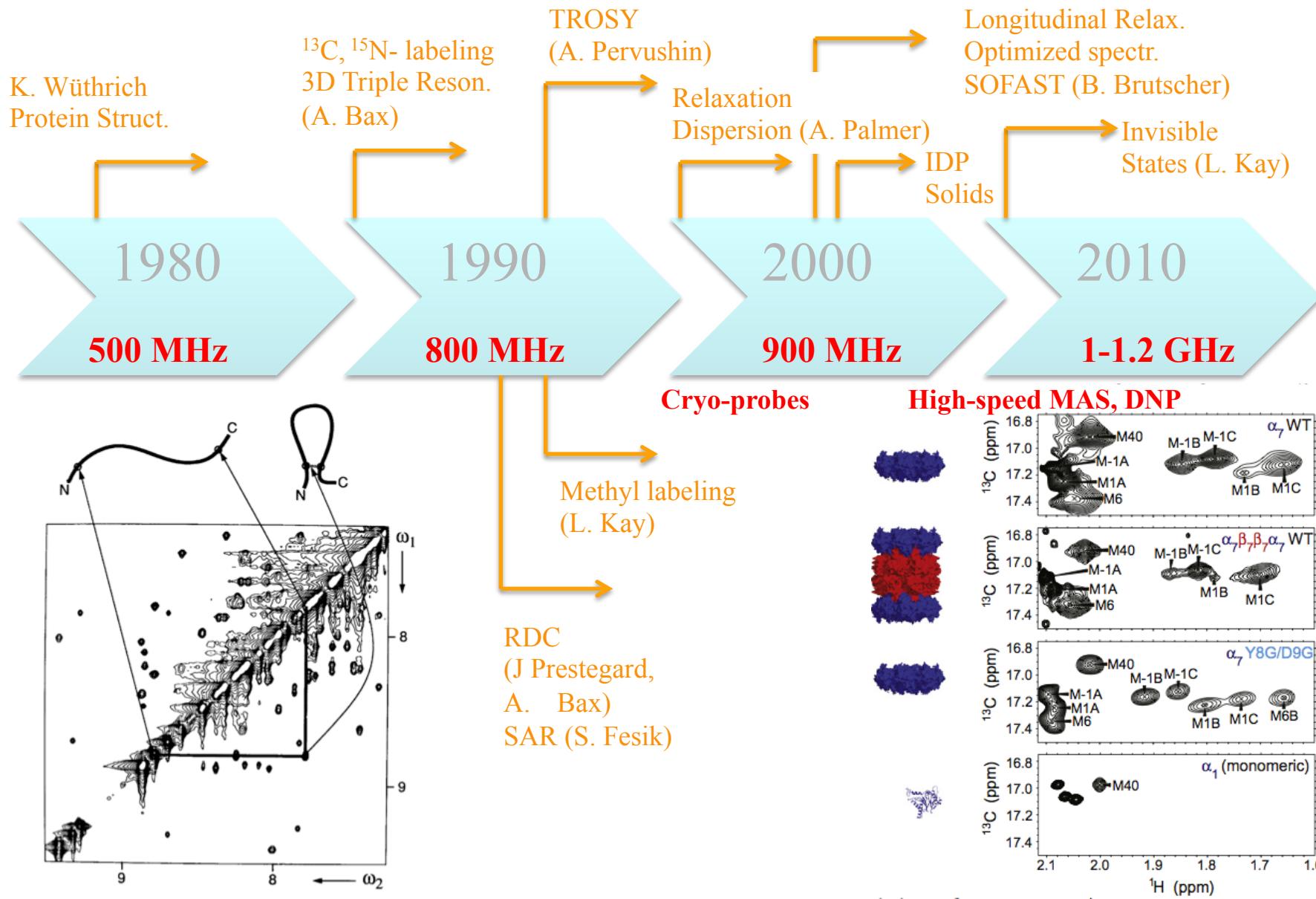
Structure calculation



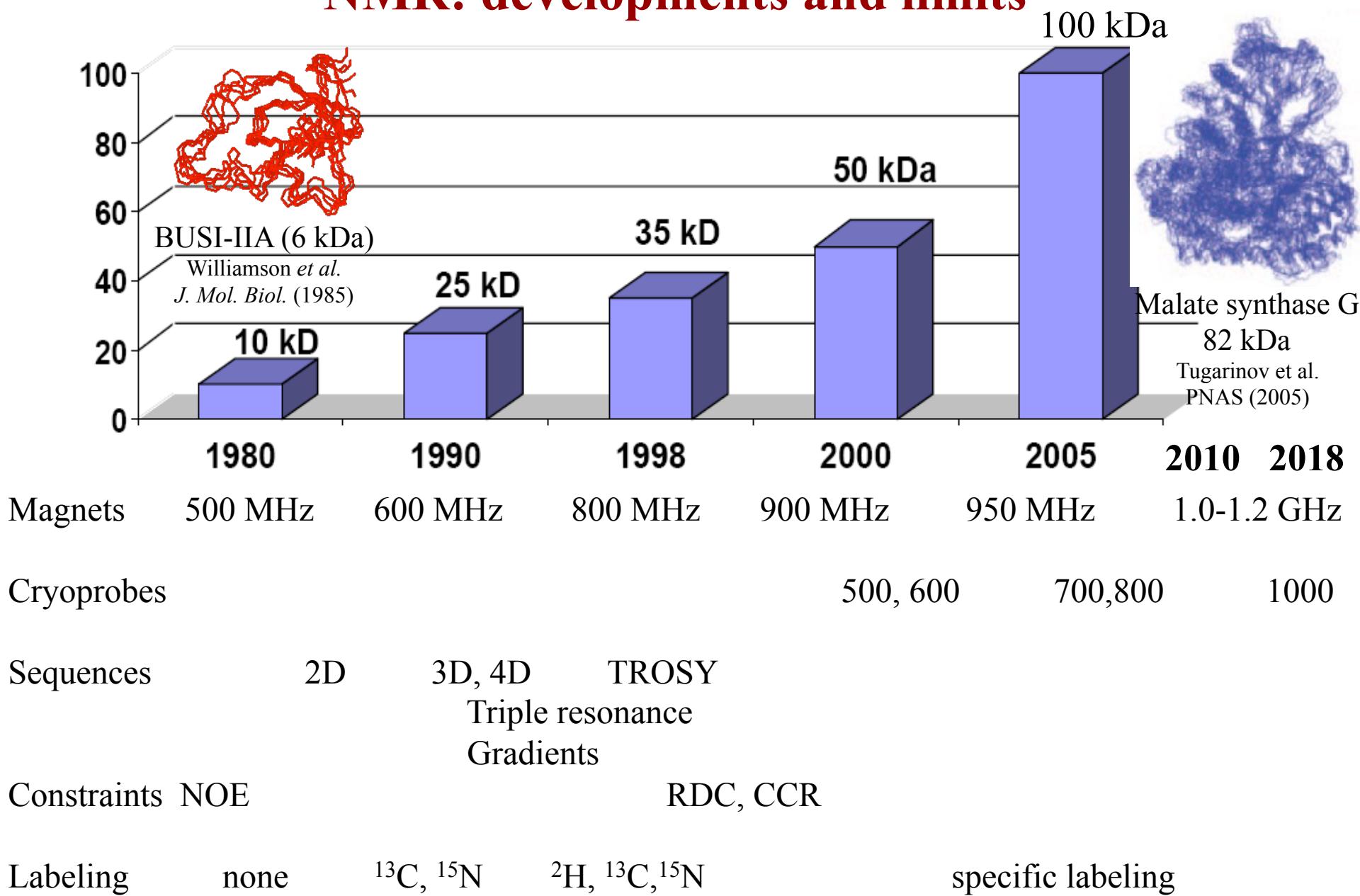
Structural parameters



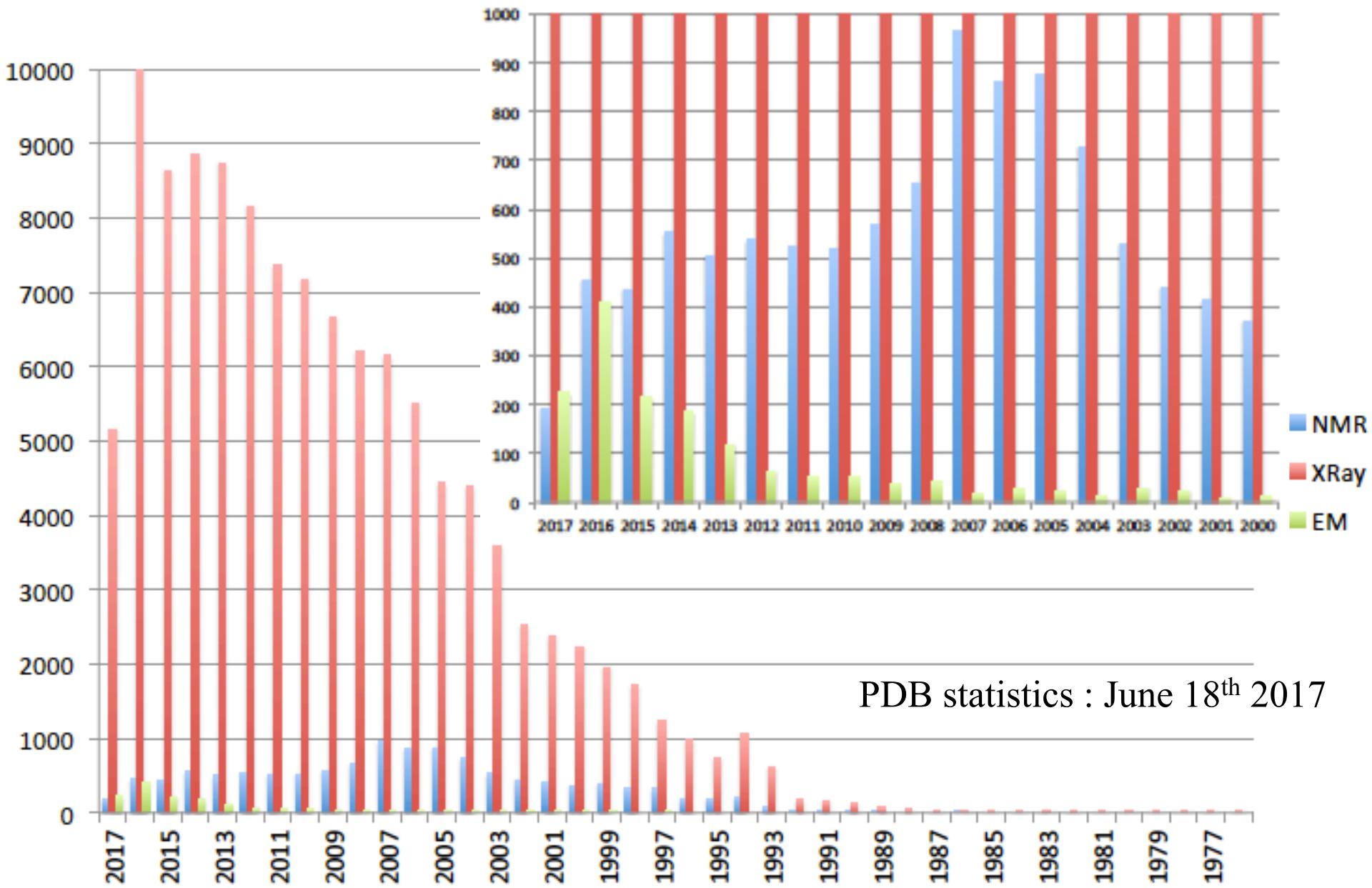
Biomolecular NMR : 35 years of methodological developments



NMR: developments and limits

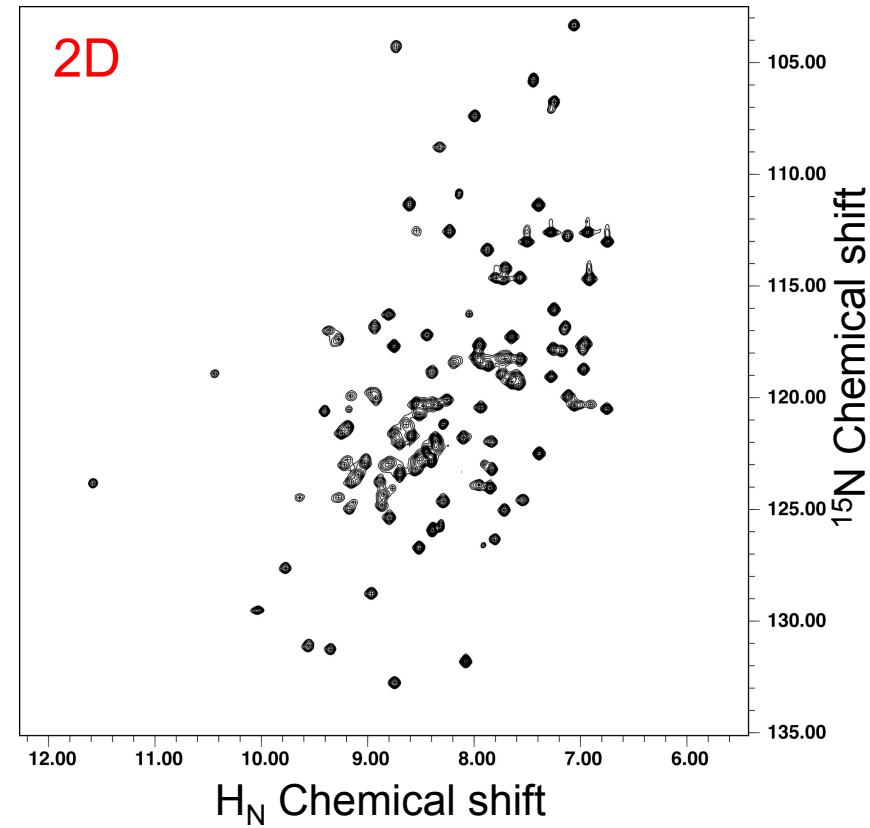
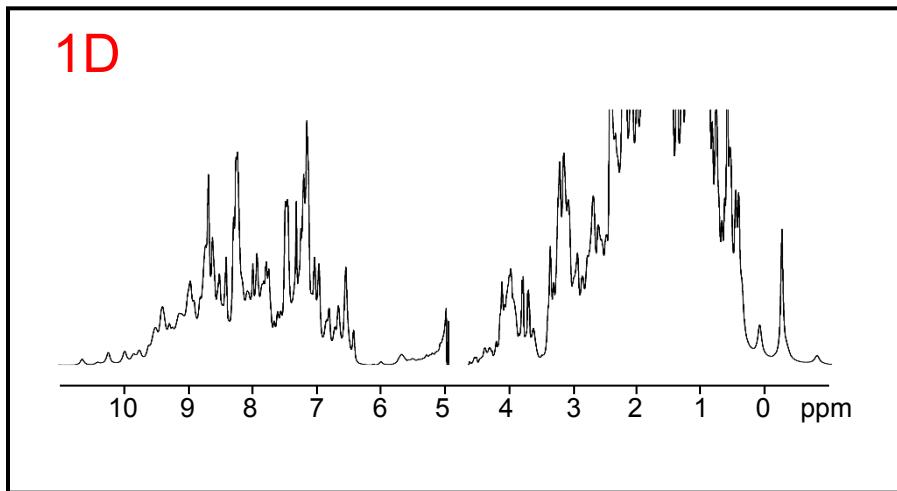


NMR: A limited competitiveness for structures



NMR, some limitations

Resolution and spectral hindrance



- Acquisition time: *few seconds*
- limited spectral resolution
- No necessary isotope labeling
- **Global characterization**

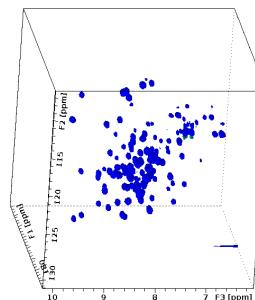
- Acquisition time: *few minutes*
- Increase in the spectral resolution
- Necessary isotope labeling (^{15}N)
- **More detailed information**

NMR, a limited competitiveness for structures: a lengthy process

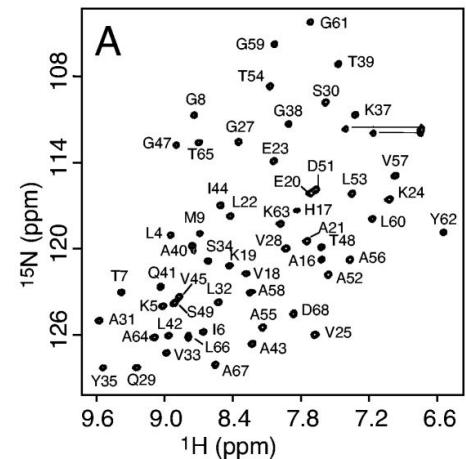
NMR sample



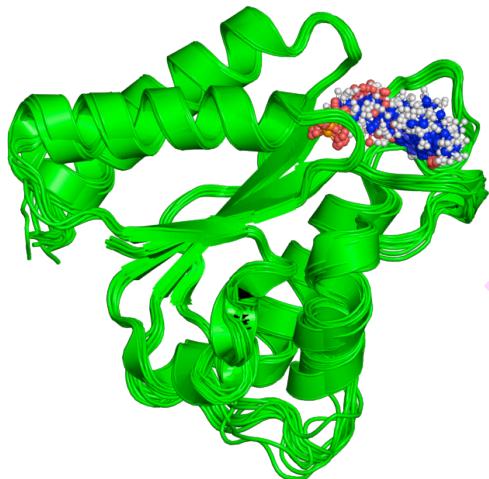
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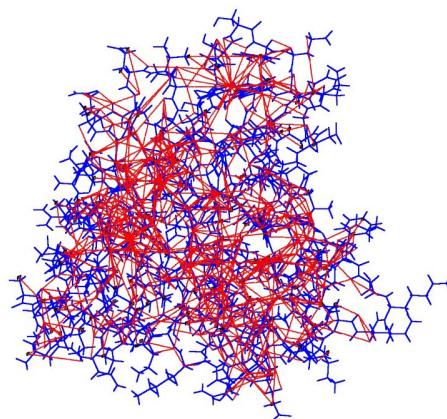
Resonance assignment



Structural ensemble



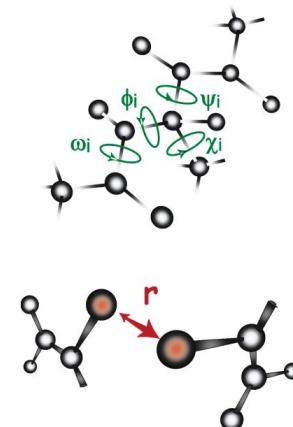
Structure calculation



41.1 kDa

$C_{1827}H_{2869}N_{489}O_{570}S_{12}$

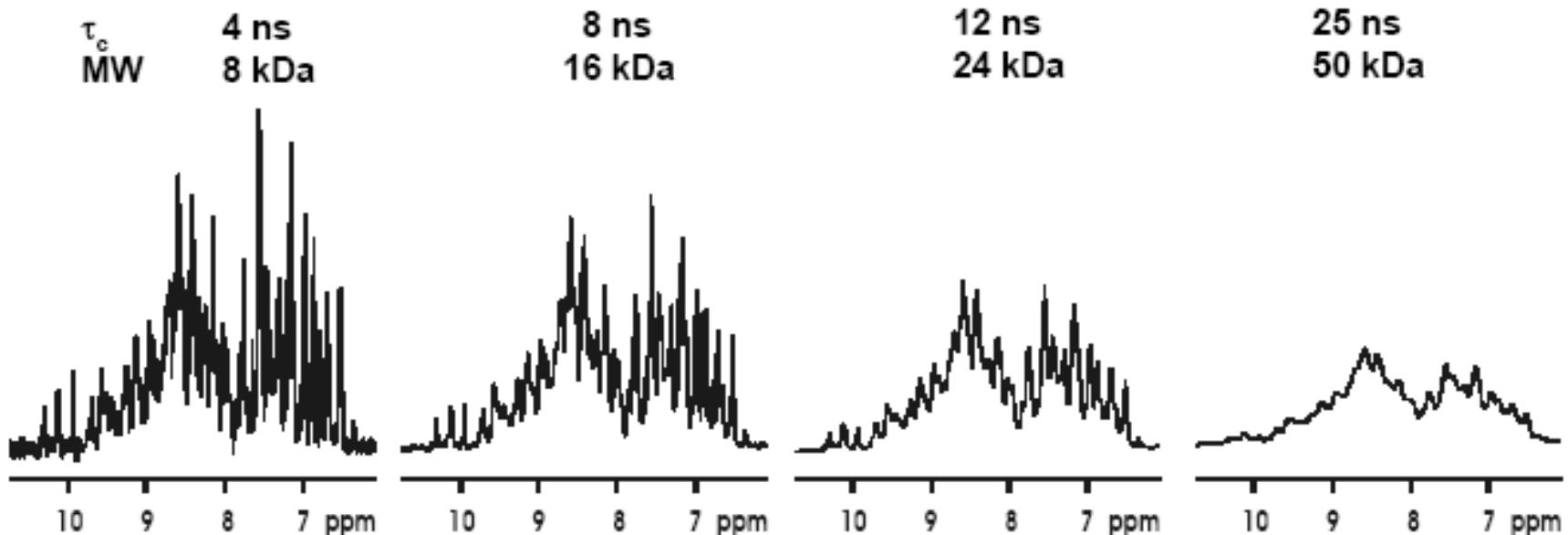
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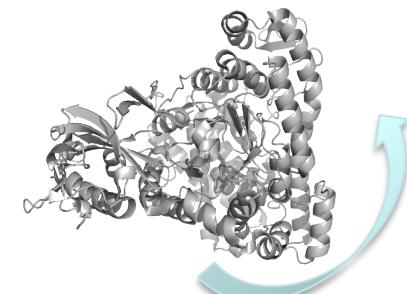
NMR, a limited competitiveness for structures: an intrinsic size limitation in solution

Liquid-state NMR a serious limit?

Linewidth $\Delta\nu_{1/2} = \frac{1}{\pi T_2}$



fast overall rotation



slow overall rotation

Jan 2013

The Quiet Renaissance of Protein Nuclear Magnetic Resonance

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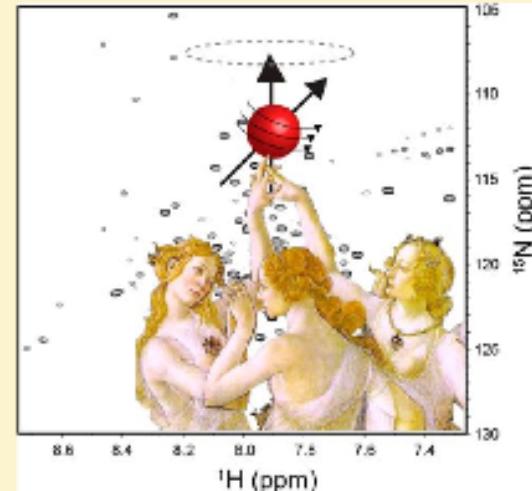
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ABSTRACT: From roughly 1985 through the start of the new millennium, the cutting edge of solution protein nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectroscopy was to a significant extent driven by the aspiration to determine structures. Here we survey recent advances in protein NMR that herald a renaissance in which a number of its most important applications reflect the broad problem-solving capability displayed by this method during its classical era during the 1970s and early 1980s.

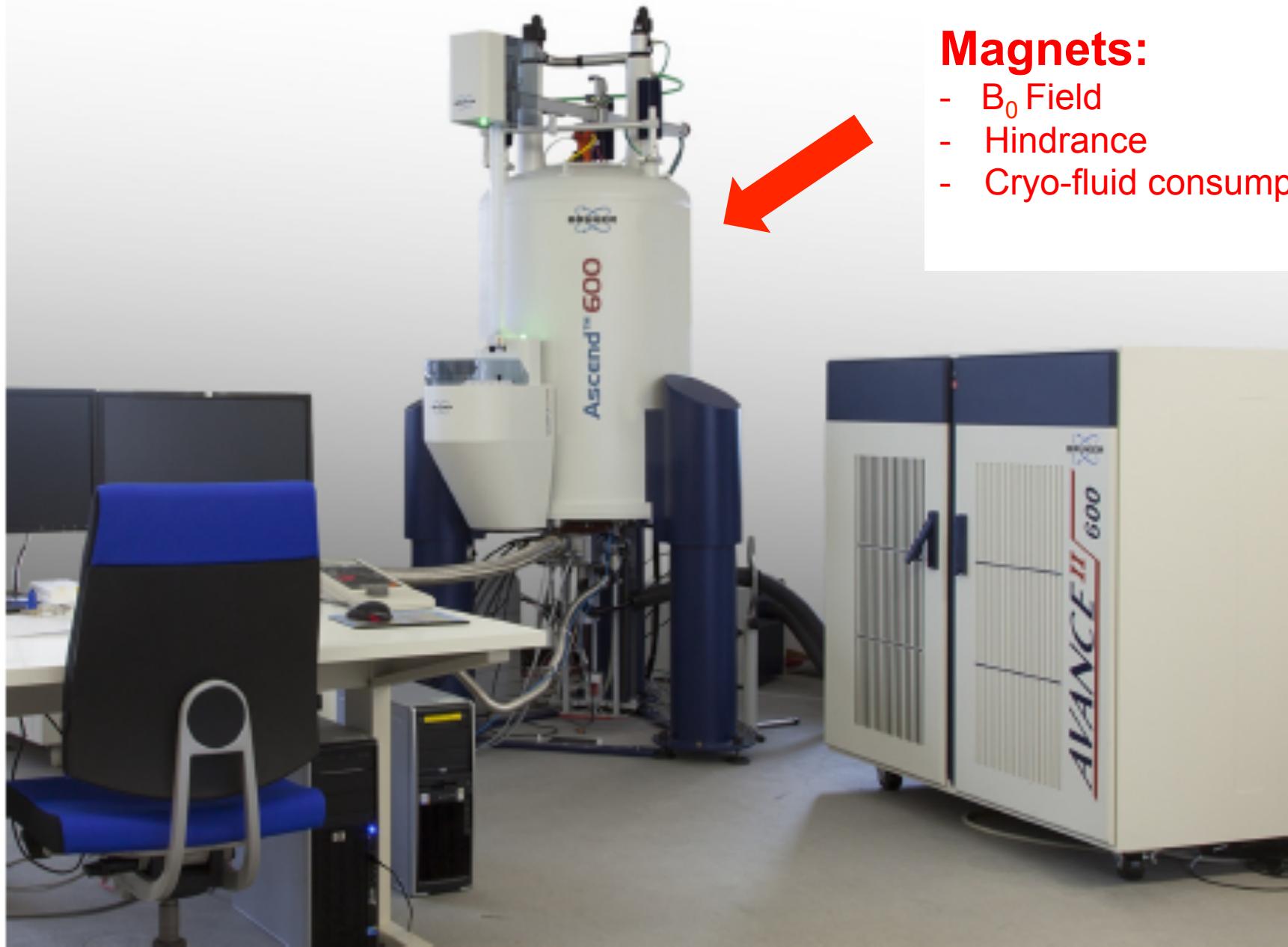


2005-2017

NMR: a tool for integrative structural biology

- ★ Study of intrinsically disordered proteins
- ★ Study of mechanisms of molecular recognition
- ★ Study of proteins and nucleic acid excited states
- ★ Study of the dynamics of very large complexes
- ★ In-cell NMR

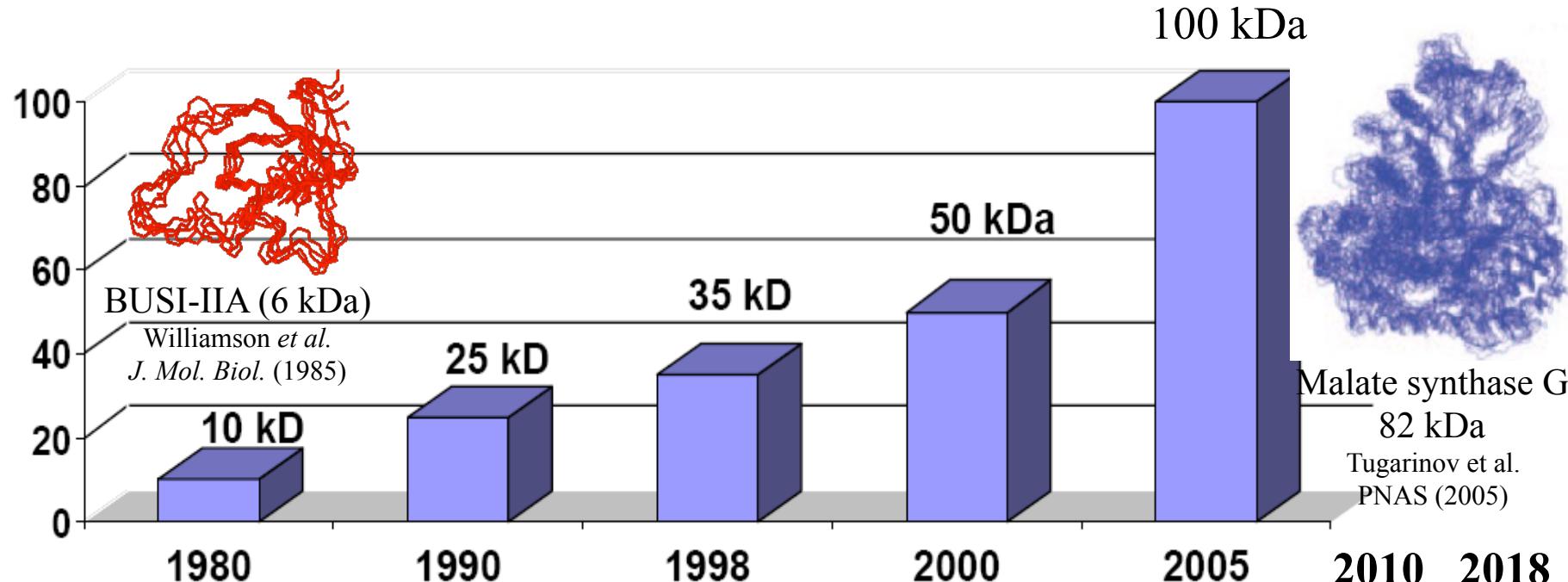
Technological innovations and developments



Magnets:

- B_0 Field
- Hindrance
- Cryo-fluid consumption

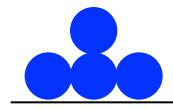
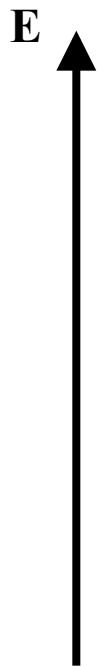
NMR: developments and limits



Magnets 500 MHz 600 MHz 800 MHz 900 MHz 950 MHz 1.0-1.2 GHz

NMR, some limitations

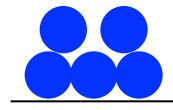
Sensitivity or signal-to-noise ratio



$$E_\beta = \frac{1}{2} \gamma \hbar B_0$$

Boltzmann

$$\frac{N_\alpha}{N_\beta} = e^{\frac{E_\beta - E_\alpha}{k_B T}}$$



$$E_\alpha = -\frac{1}{2} \gamma \hbar B_0$$

$$\frac{N_\alpha}{N_\beta} \approx 1 + \frac{\gamma \hbar B_0}{kT}$$

$$\approx 1 + 9,66 \times 10^{-5}$$

Particular case of spin 1/2

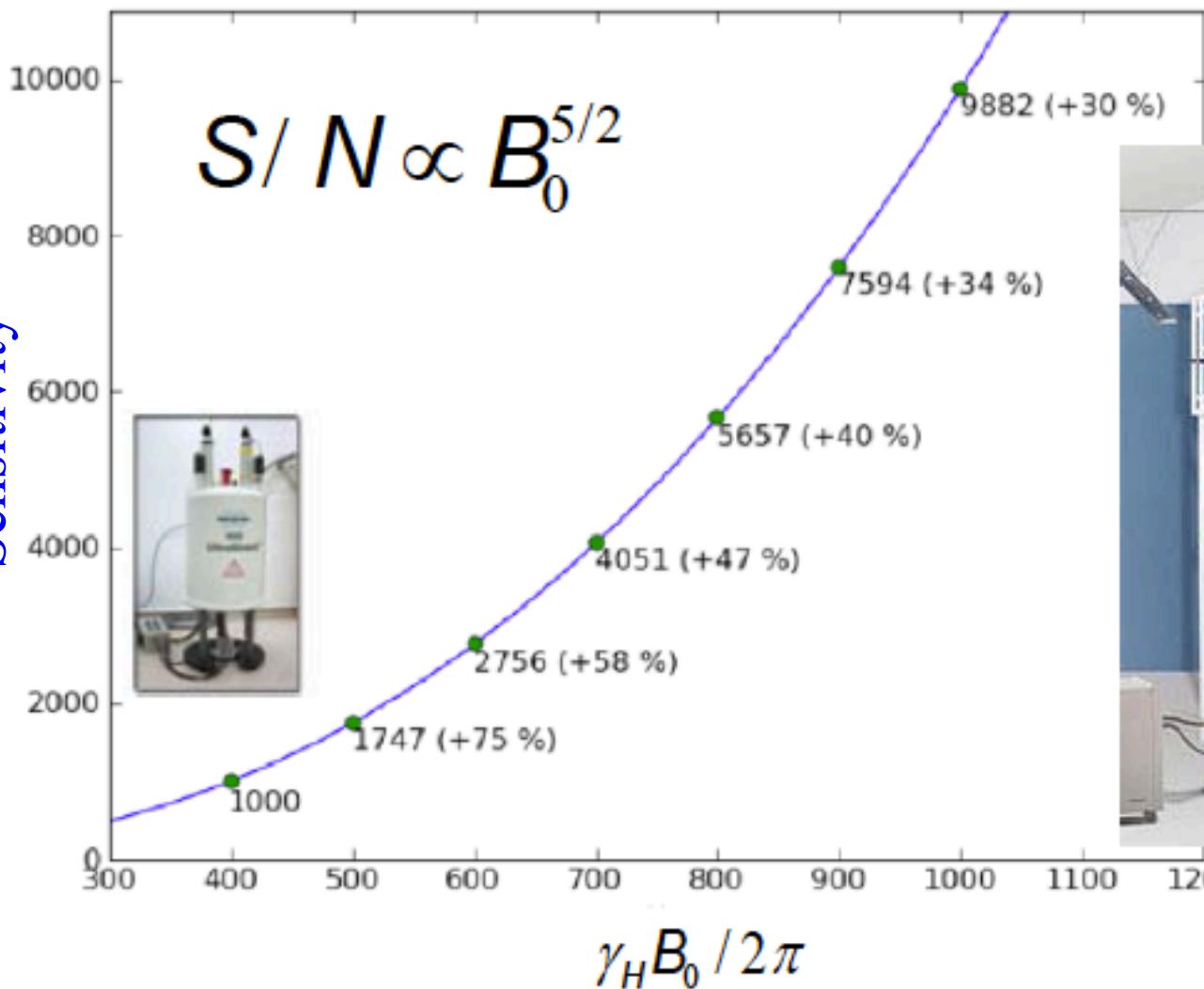
$$@ B_0 = 14.09T (600 MHz)$$

$$\vec{M} = \sum \vec{\mu} = \sum \gamma \hbar \vec{I}$$

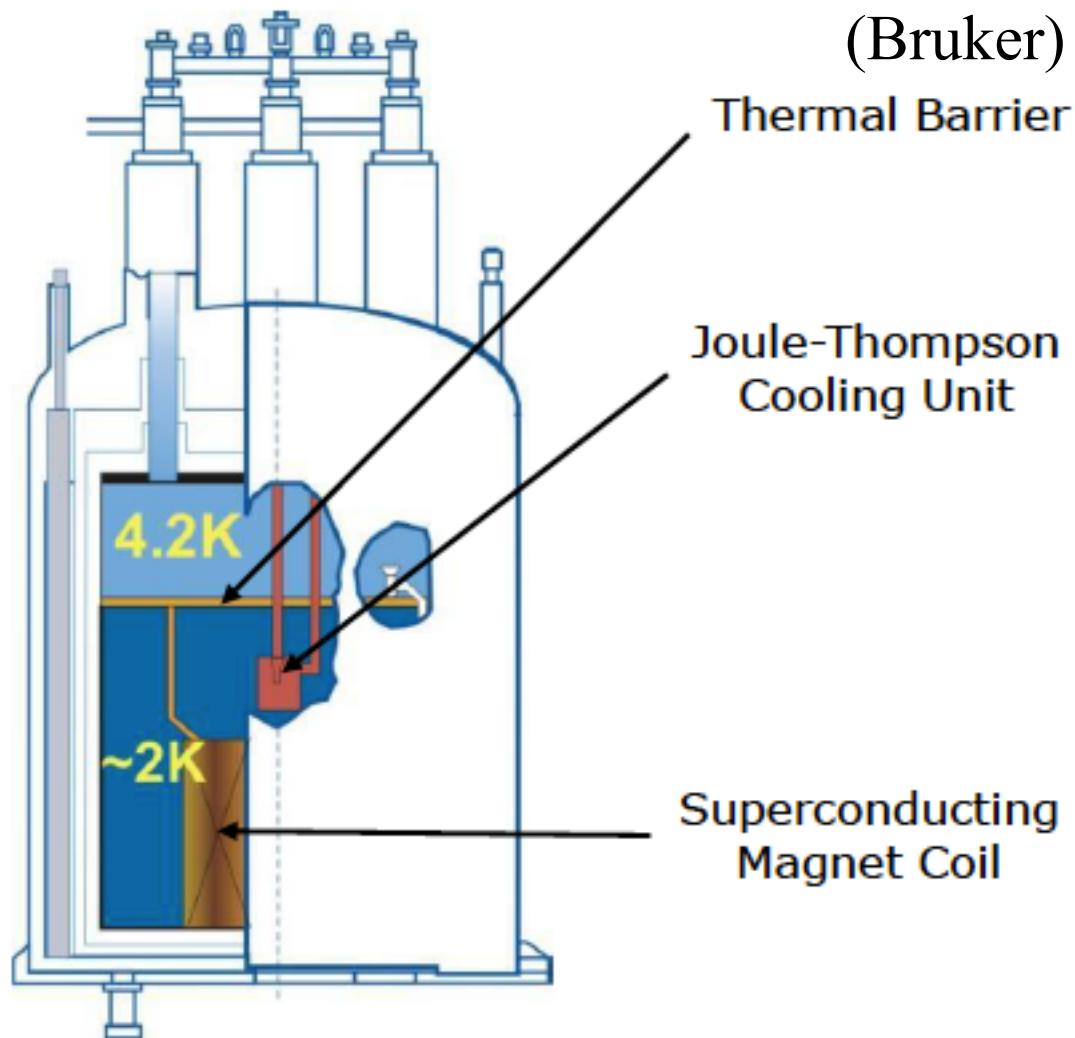
$$\vec{M} = N \frac{\gamma \hbar B_0}{2kT} \gamma \hbar \frac{1}{2} \vec{z} = \frac{N (\gamma \hbar)^2 B_0}{4kT} \vec{z}$$

Technological innovations

Sensitivity



Technological innovations



Aeon™ technology
(Bruker)

Thermal Barrier

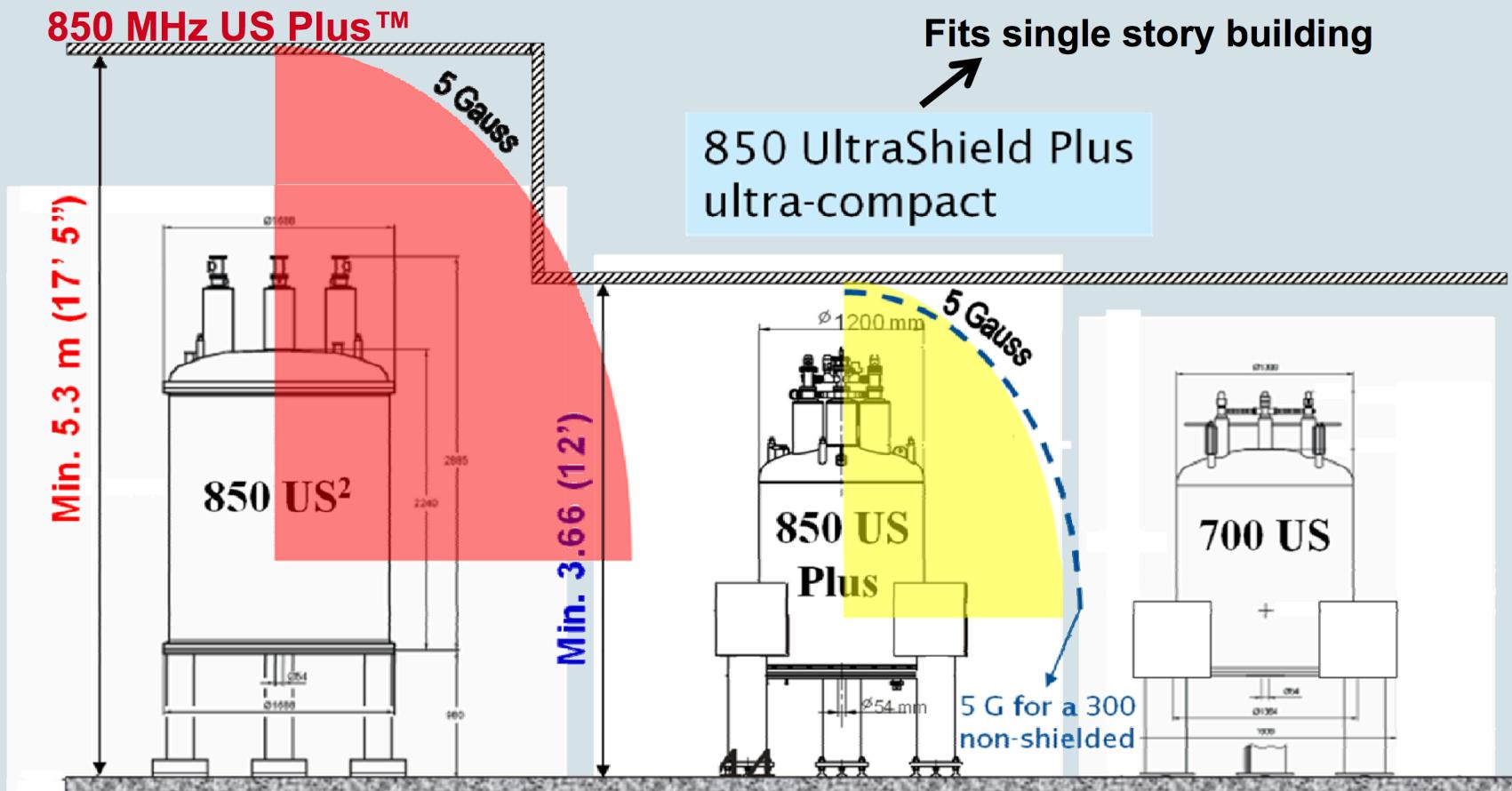
Joule-Thompson
Cooling Unit

Superconducting
Magnet Coil

UltraStabilized™ technology delivering
unique performance, stability and safety

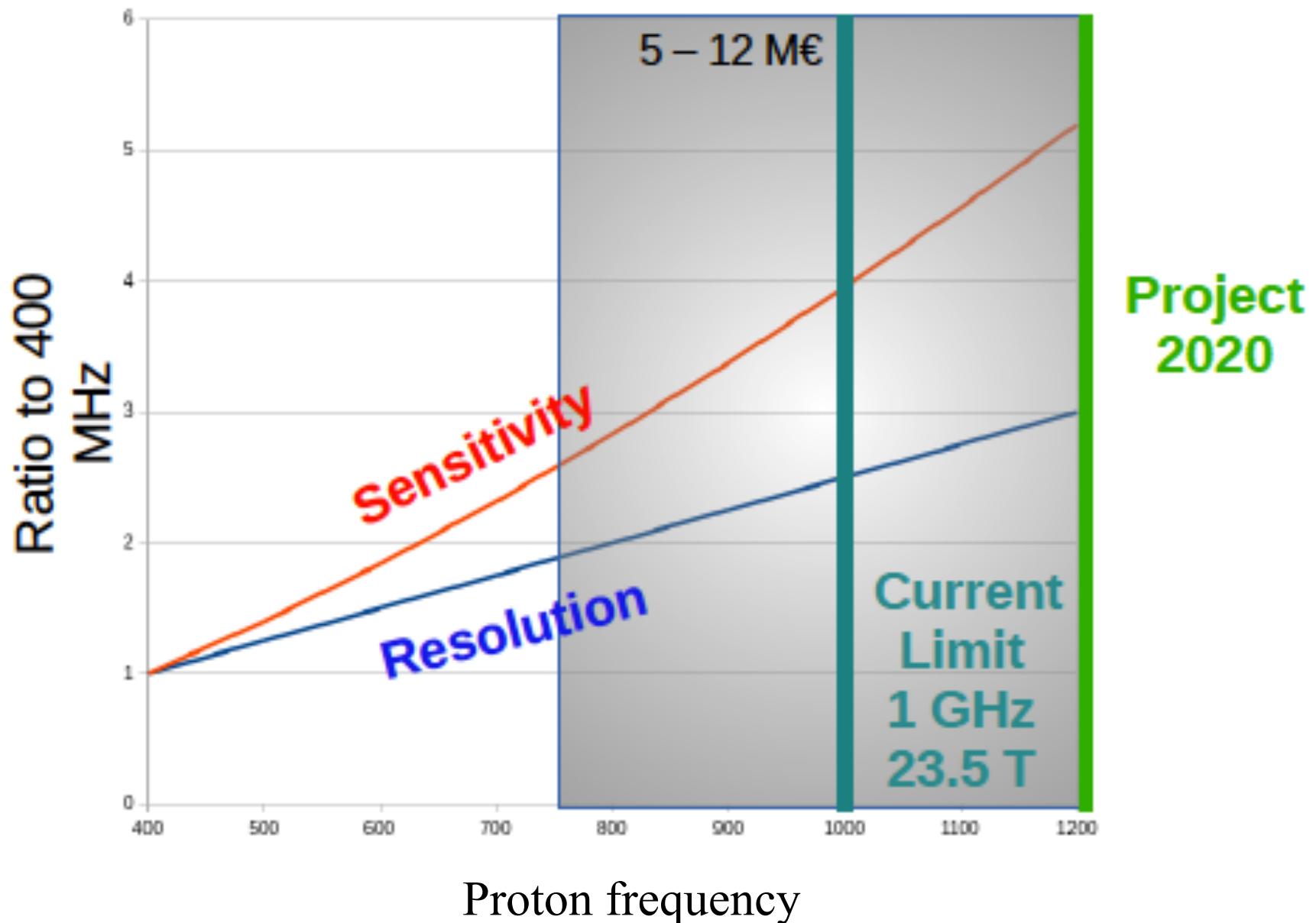
Technological innovations

Magnets become more compact



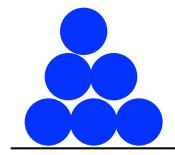
- Compact size and small stray field improve siting flexibility
- Outstanding stability and high-resolution NMR performance

Technological innovations



NMR, overcoming some limitations

Sensitivity or signal-to-noise ratio



$$E_\beta = \frac{1}{2} \gamma \hbar B_0$$



$$E_\alpha = -\frac{1}{2} \gamma \hbar B_0$$

Spins 1/2

Alternatives to increase Boltzmann?

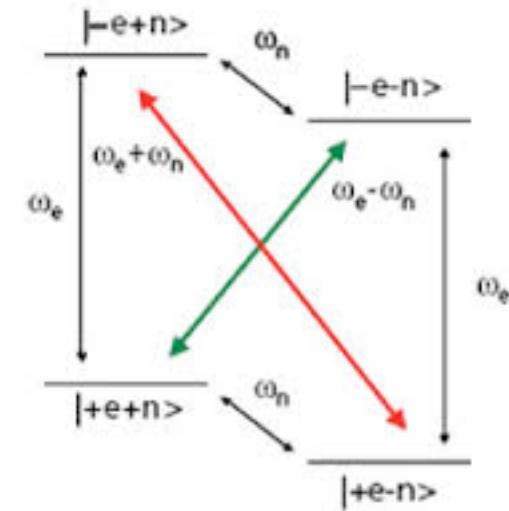
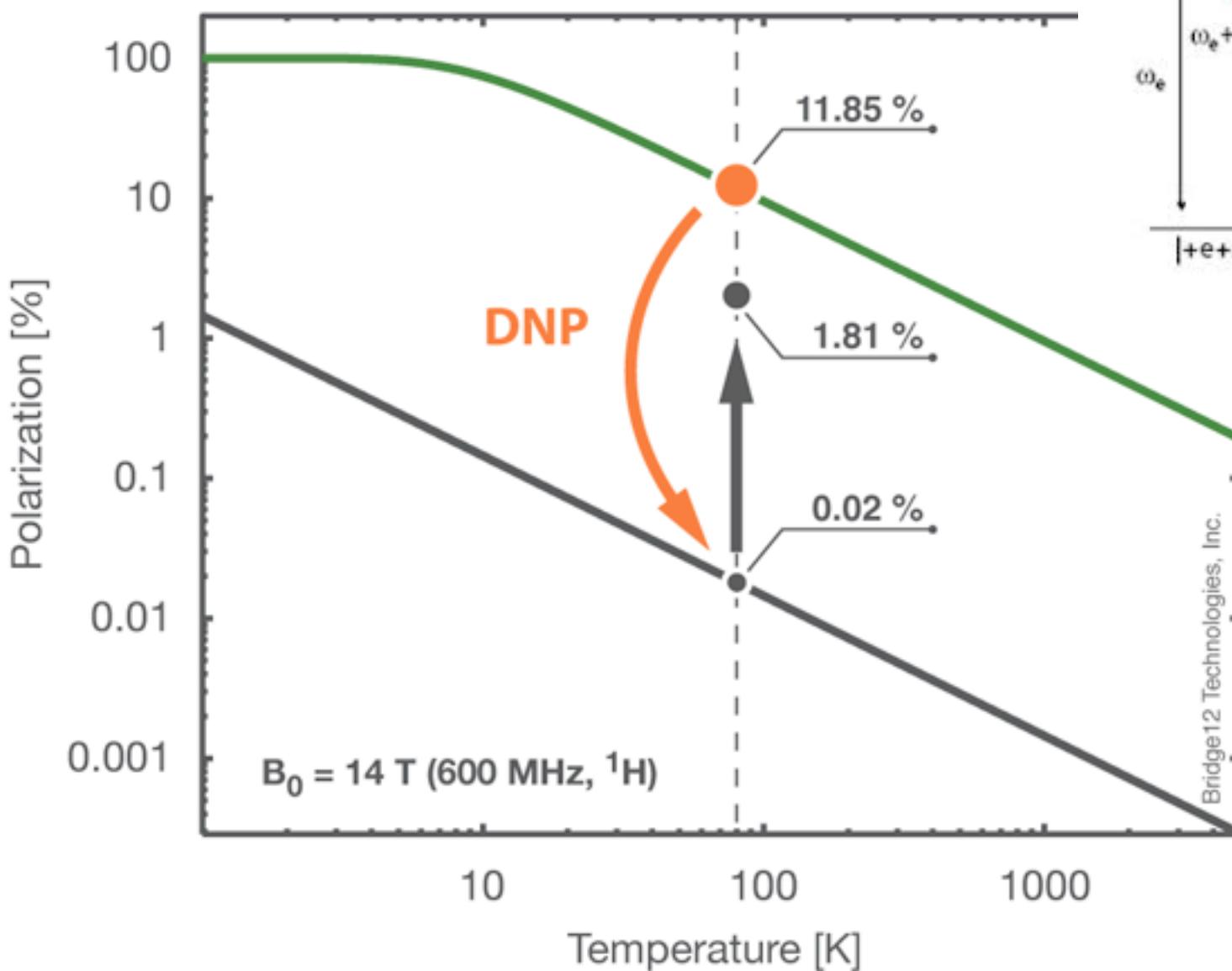
- Optical pumping (Xe)
- Parahydrogen
- DNP

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$$\frac{N_\alpha}{N_\beta} \gg e^{\frac{E_\beta - E_\alpha}{k_B T}}$$

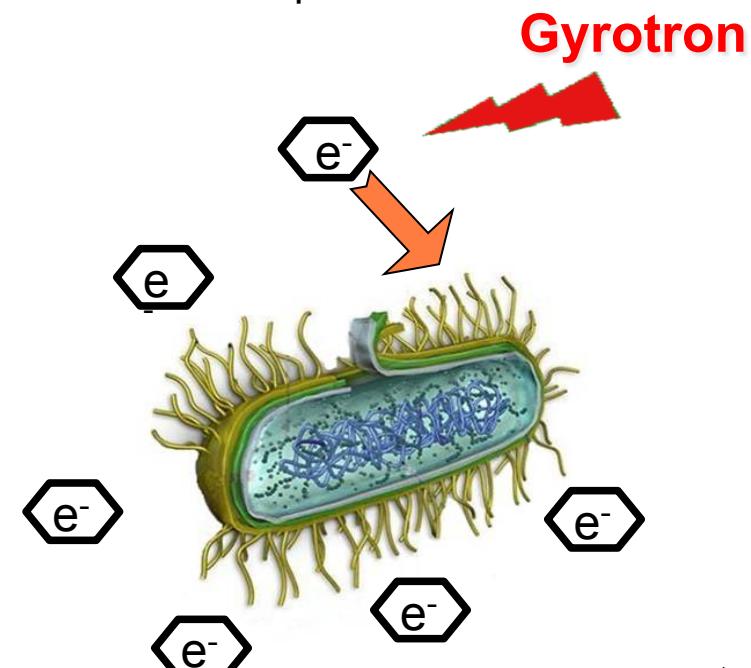
Technological innovations: Dynamic Nuclear Polarization



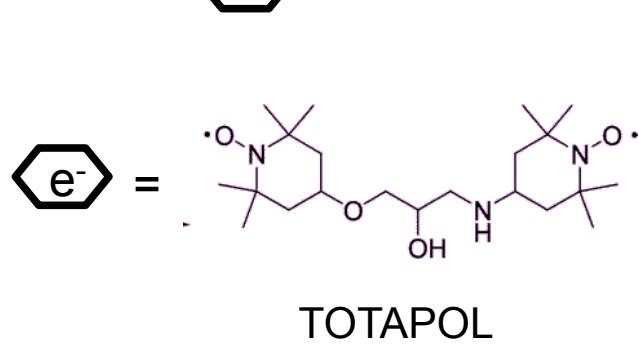
$$\frac{\gamma_{e^-}}{\gamma_H} = 660$$

Technological innovations: Dynamic Nuclear Polarization

$T \sim 100 \text{ K}$: compatible with cell survival

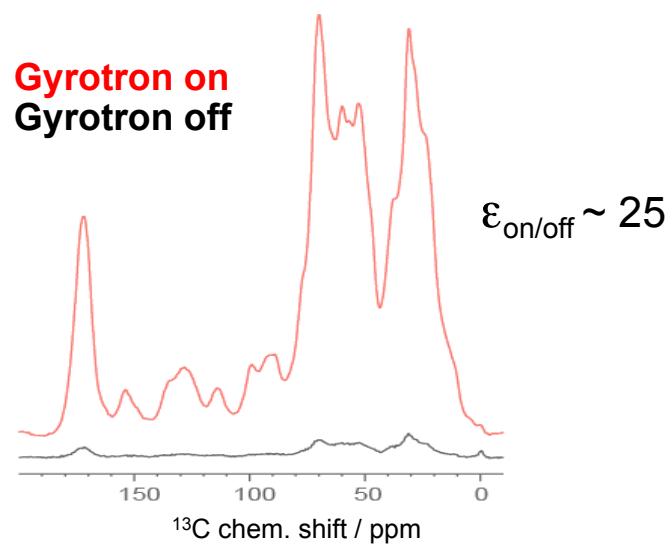


DNP @
CEA
Grenoble

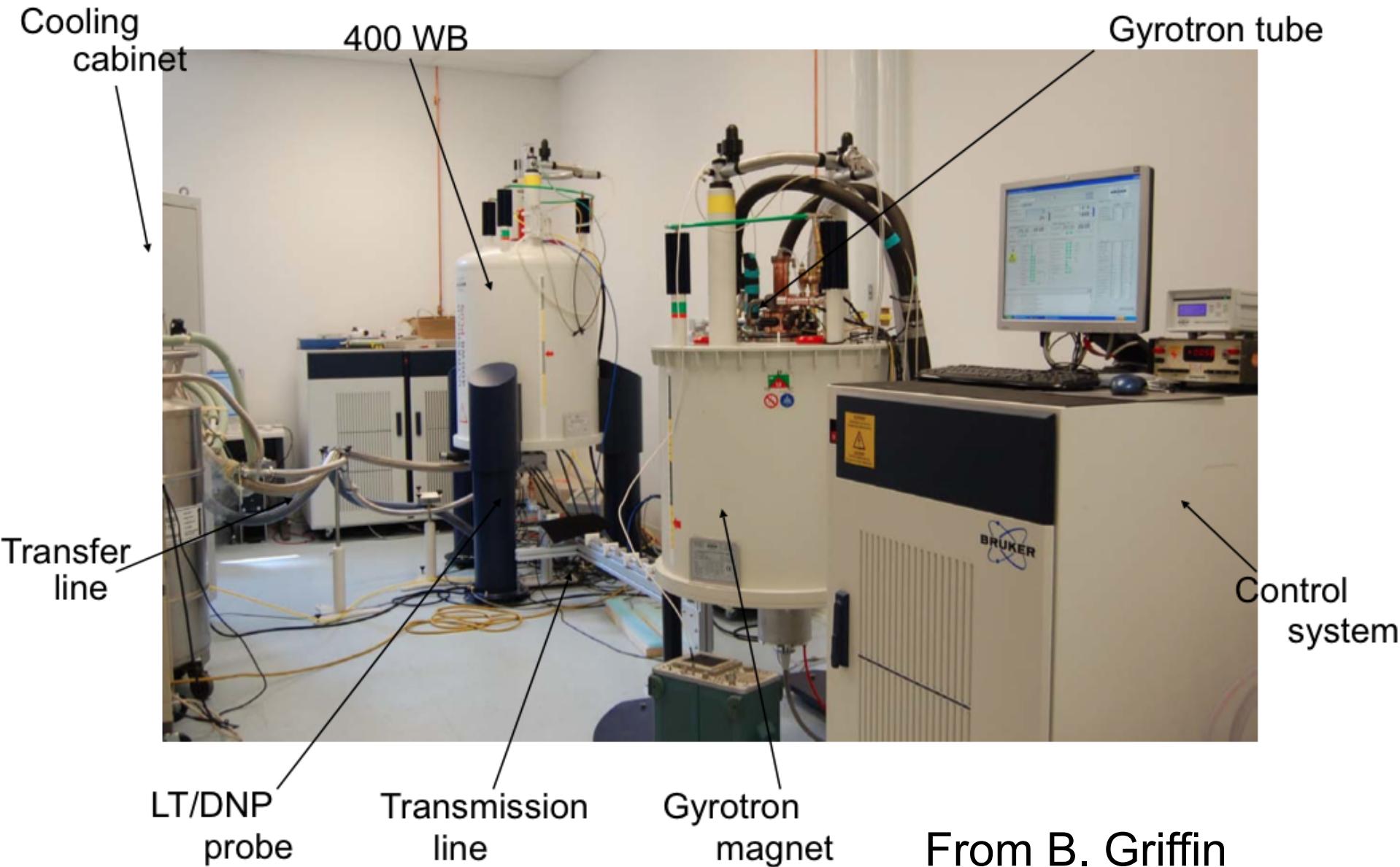


NMR signal
of the cell surface
nuclei ?

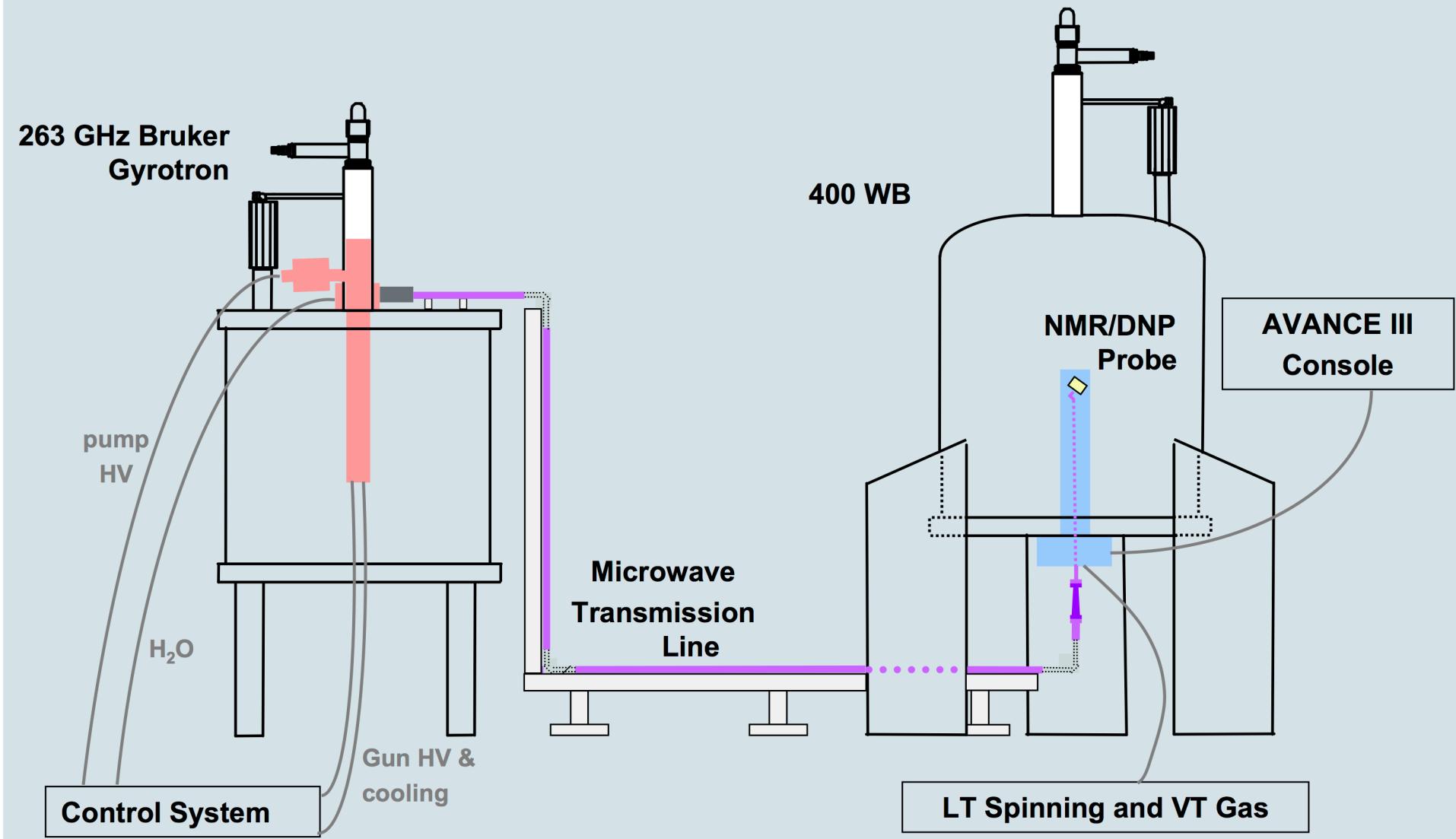
Gyrotron on
Gyrotron off



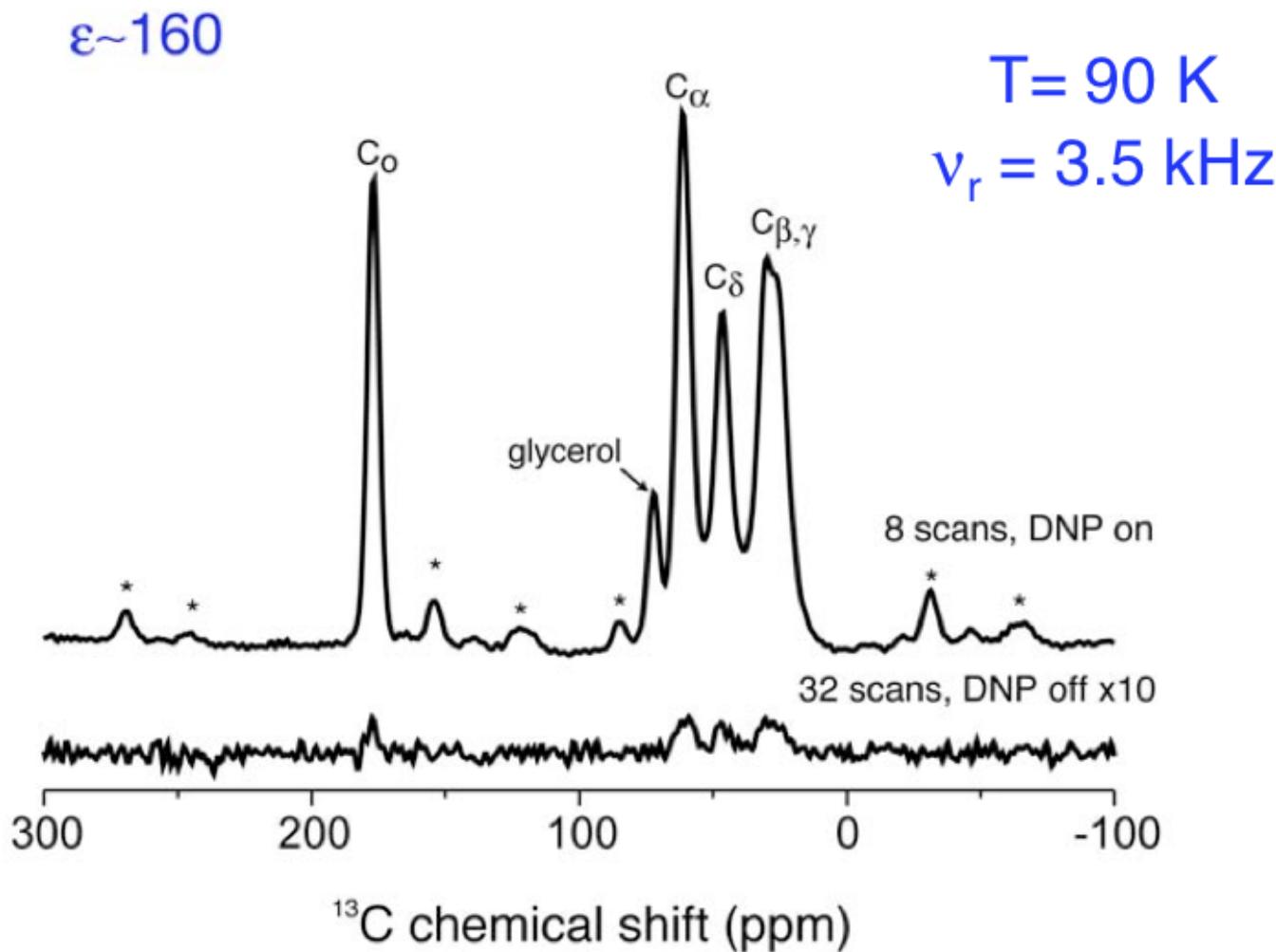
263 GHz Gyrotron in Bruker-Billerica DNP Lab



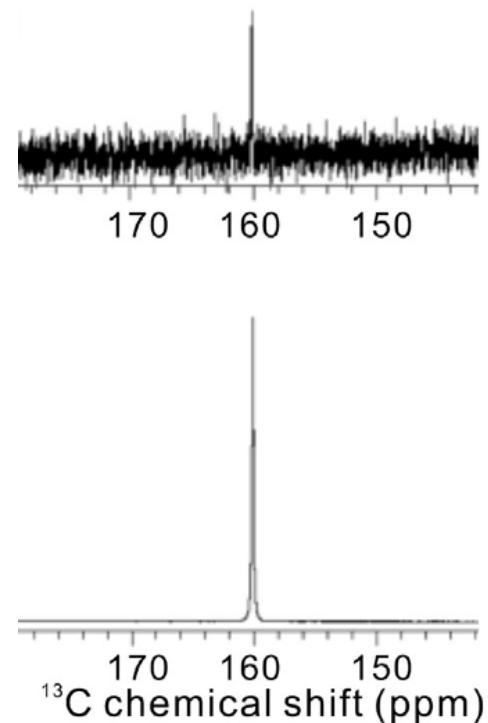
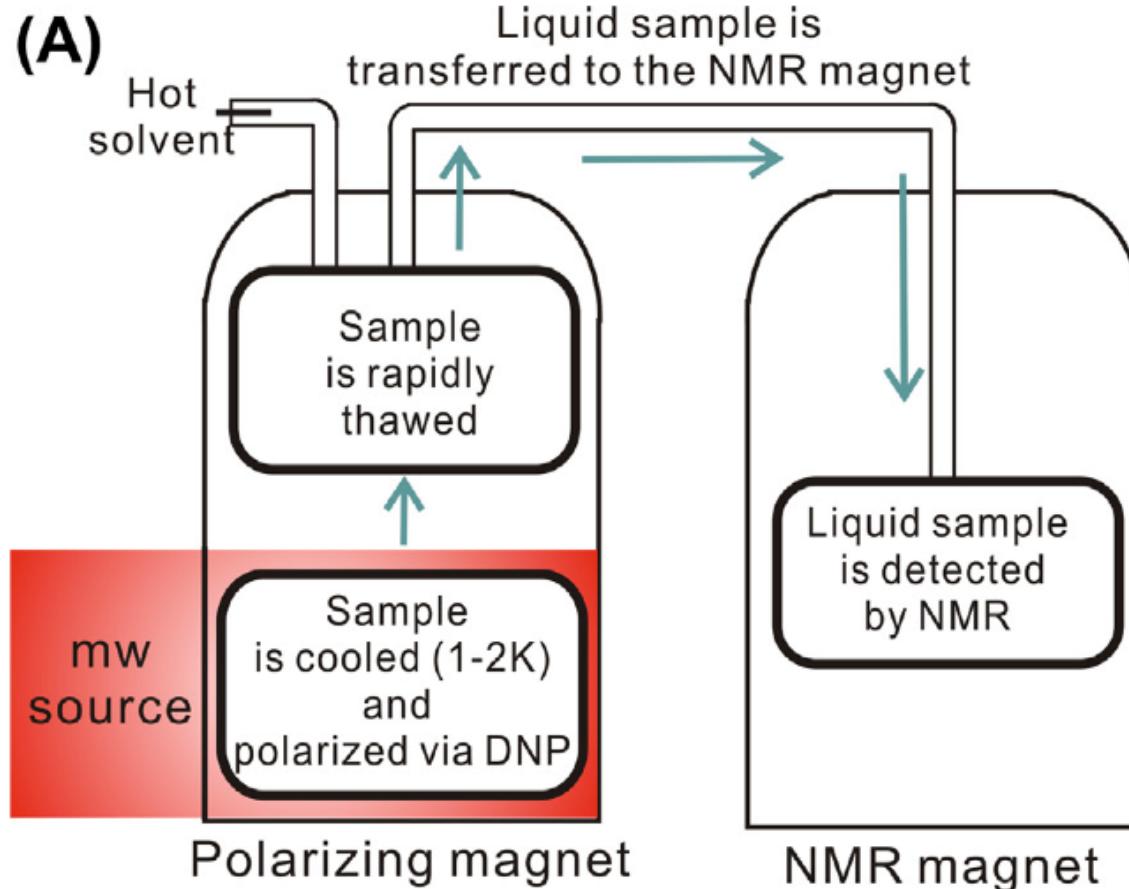
263 GHz solid-state DNP



DNP-MAS spectrum of ^{13}C , ^{15}N -proline



DNP in the liquid state at room temperature



From H. Ardenkjær-Larsen et al. Increase in signal-to-noise ratio of >10,000 times in liquid-state NMR, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U. S. A. 100 (2003) 10158–10163.

Photo-chemically induced DNP (Photo-CIDNP)

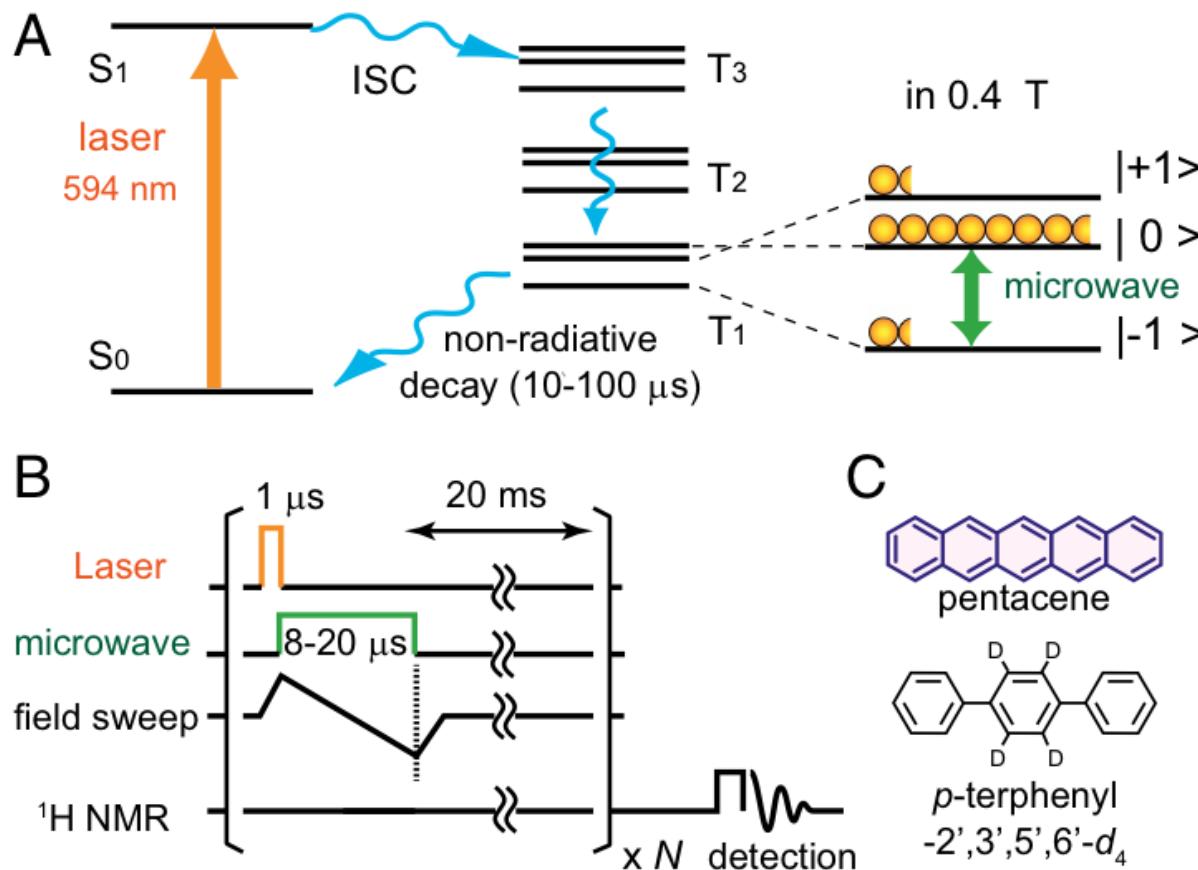
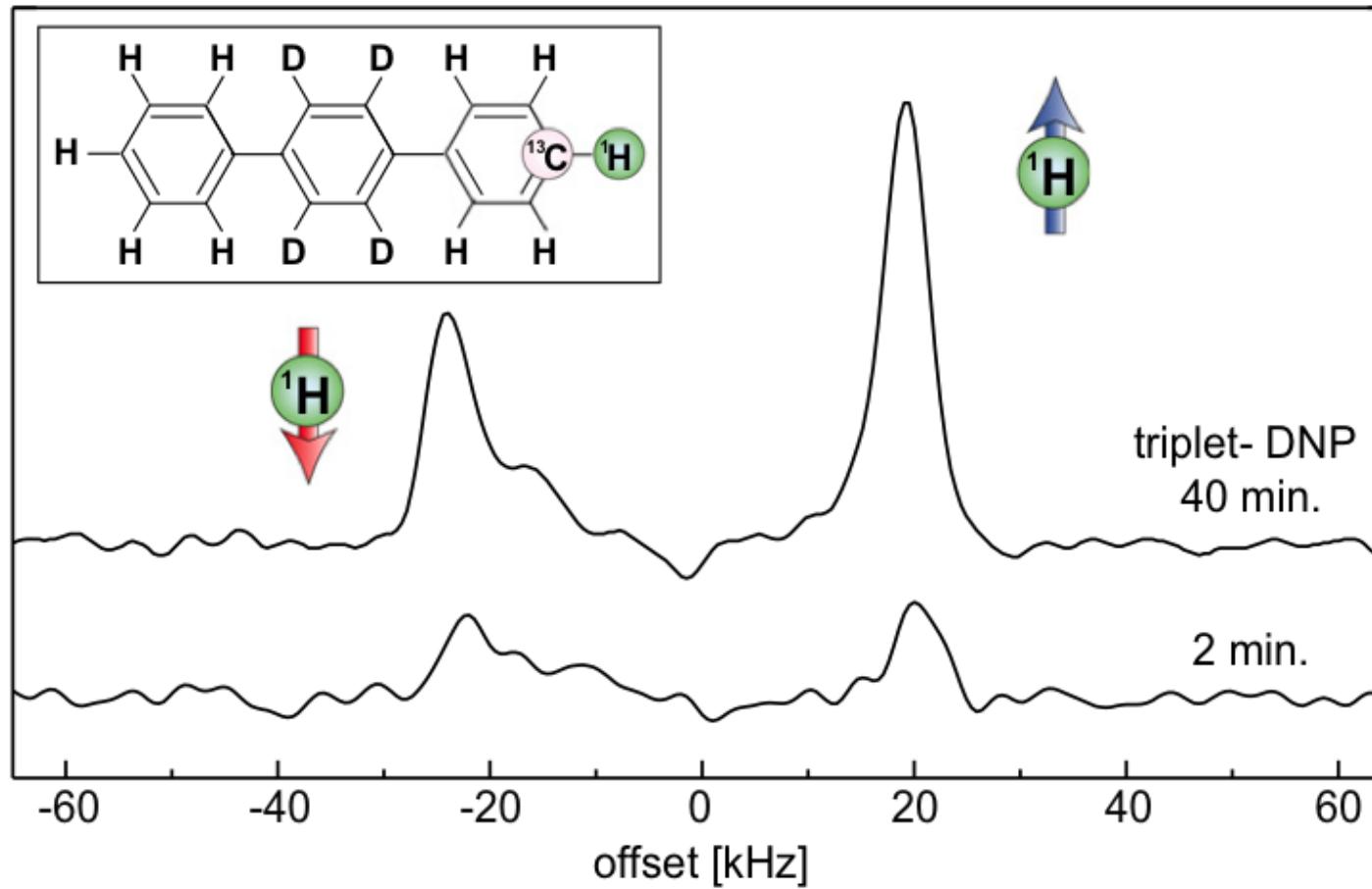
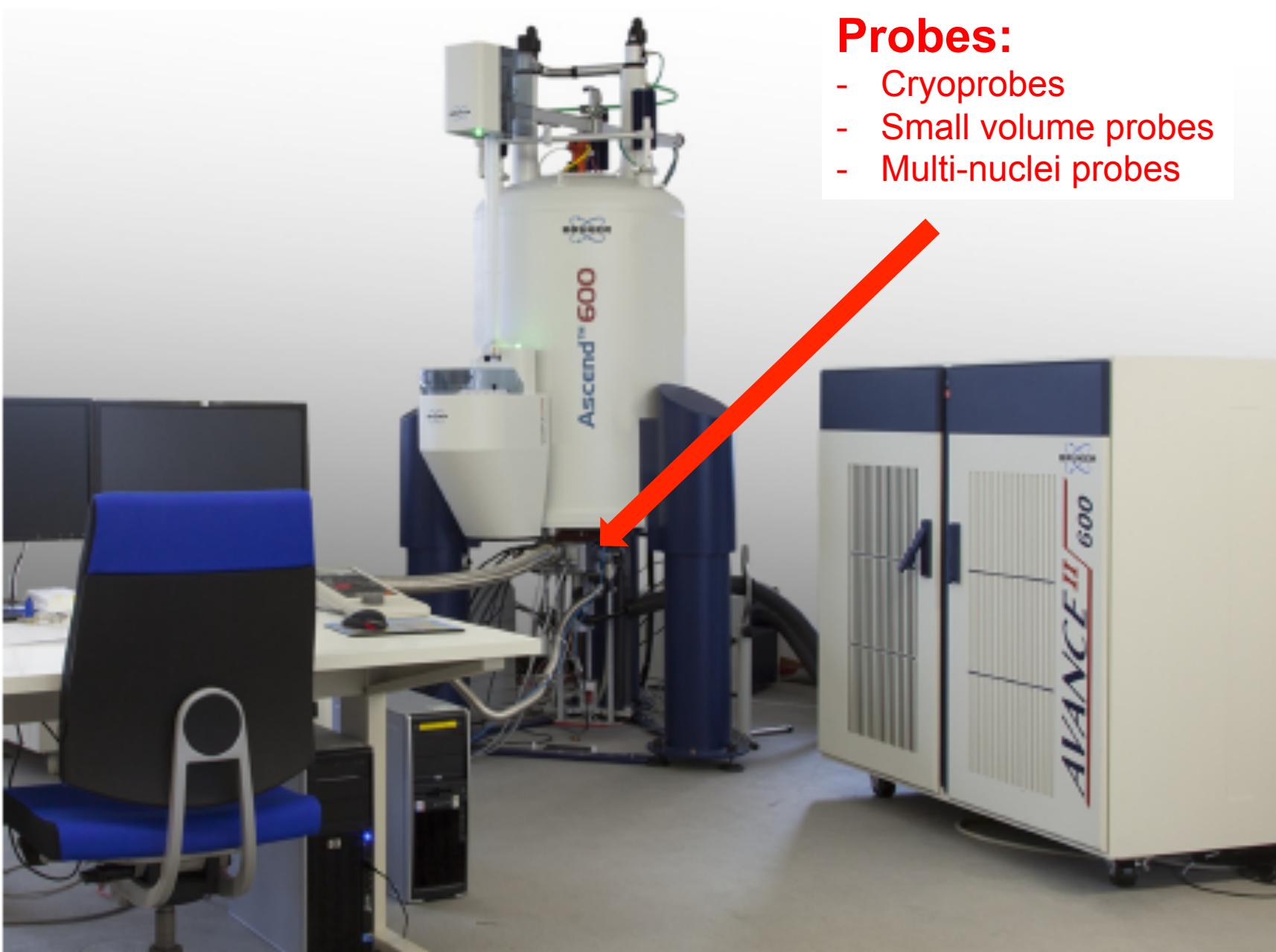


Photo-chemically induced DNP (Photo-CIDNP)

Proton polarization leads to lines with asymmetric coupling. 30% polarization at room temperature in this case (x 250 000)



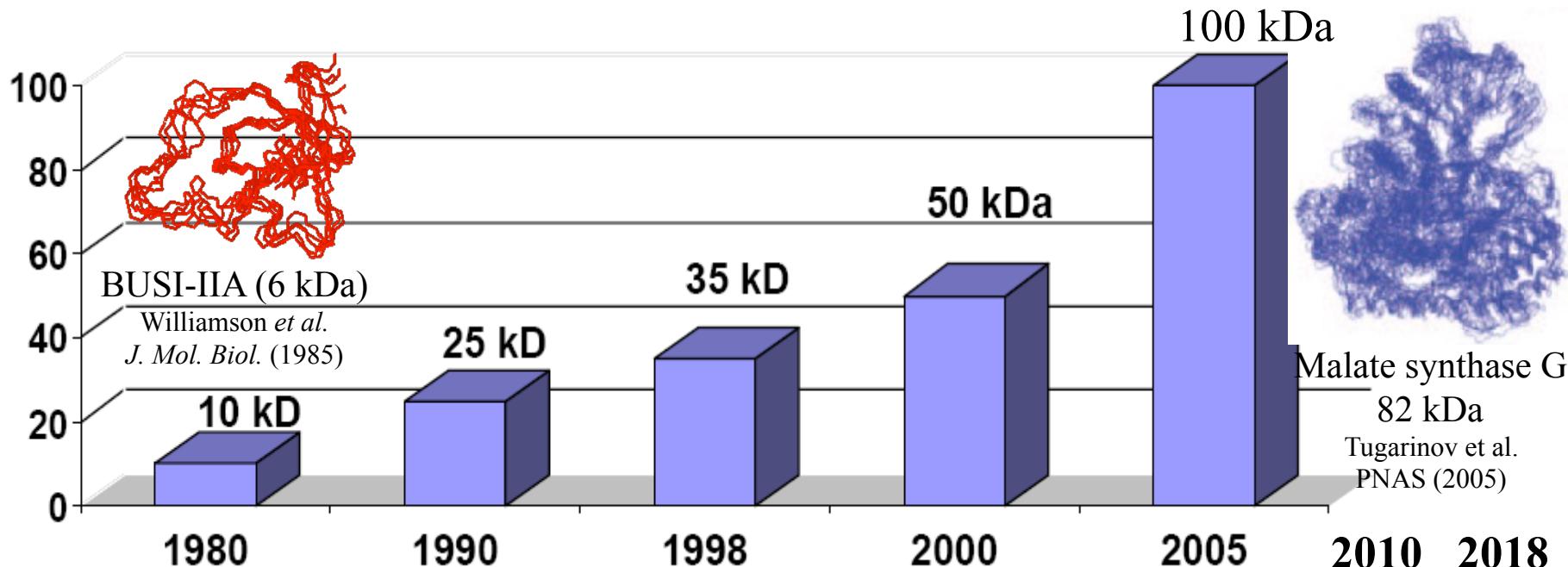
Technological innovations



Probes:

- Cryoprobes
- Small volume probes
- Multi-nuclei probes

NMR: developments and limits



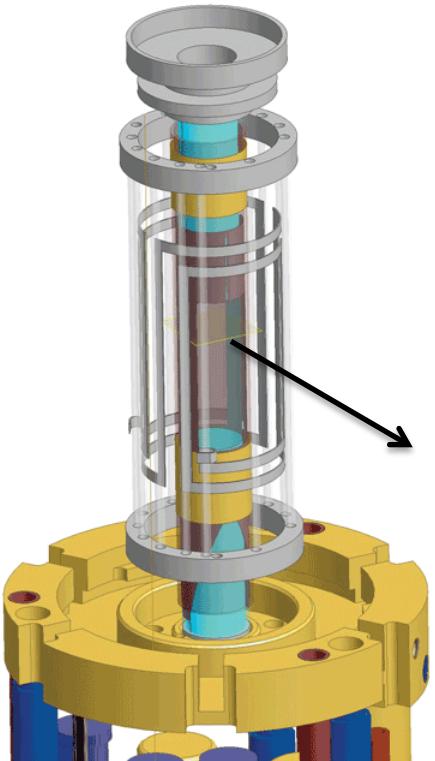
Cryoprobes

500, 600

700,800

1000

The probe



$$M_0 = \frac{N(\gamma\hbar)^2 B_0}{4kT}$$

$$S/N \propto Q\eta M_0$$

Q quality factor, η filling factor

Gain with a cryoprobe

Induced Signal Voltage to Noise Voltage

$$\frac{S}{N} \propto \frac{U_I}{U_N} \propto \frac{\omega \cdot M_0 \cdot V \cdot (B_1/I_{coil})}{\sqrt{4 \cdot k \cdot \Delta f \cdot R \cdot T}}$$

Coil Design

Coil Resistance

Temperature

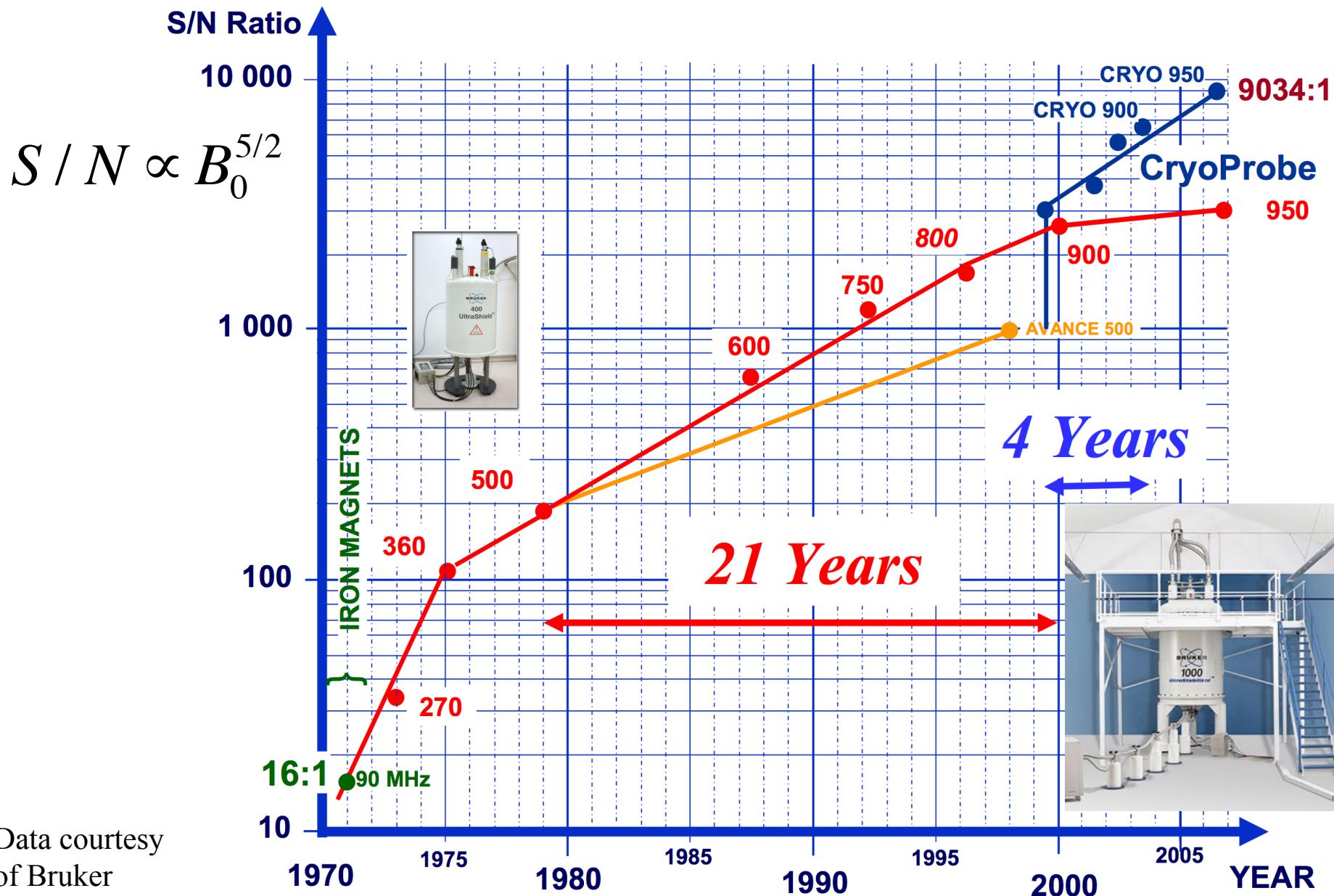


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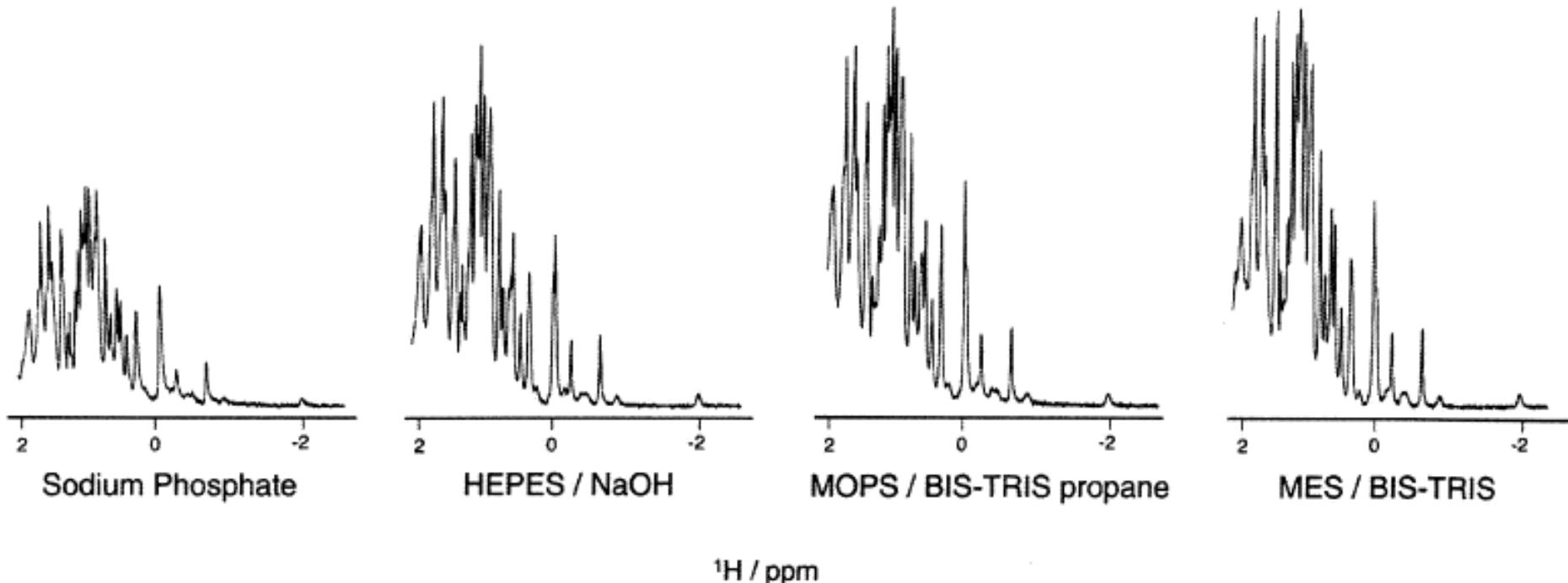
Signal-to-noise depends on the magnetic field



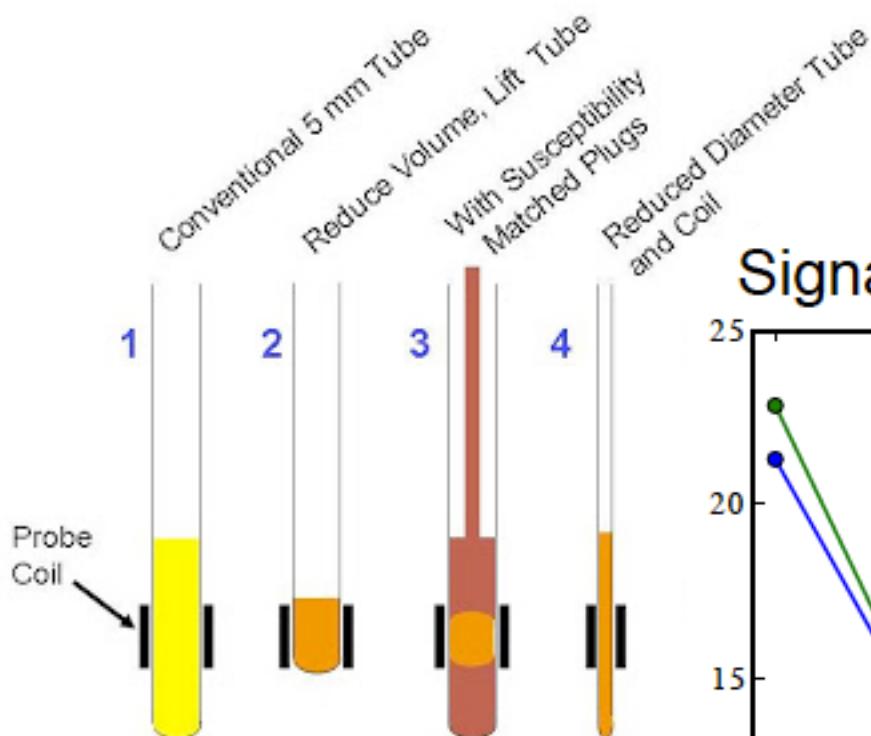
Limitations of cryoprobes

Low-Conductivity Buffers for High-Sensitivity NMR Measurements

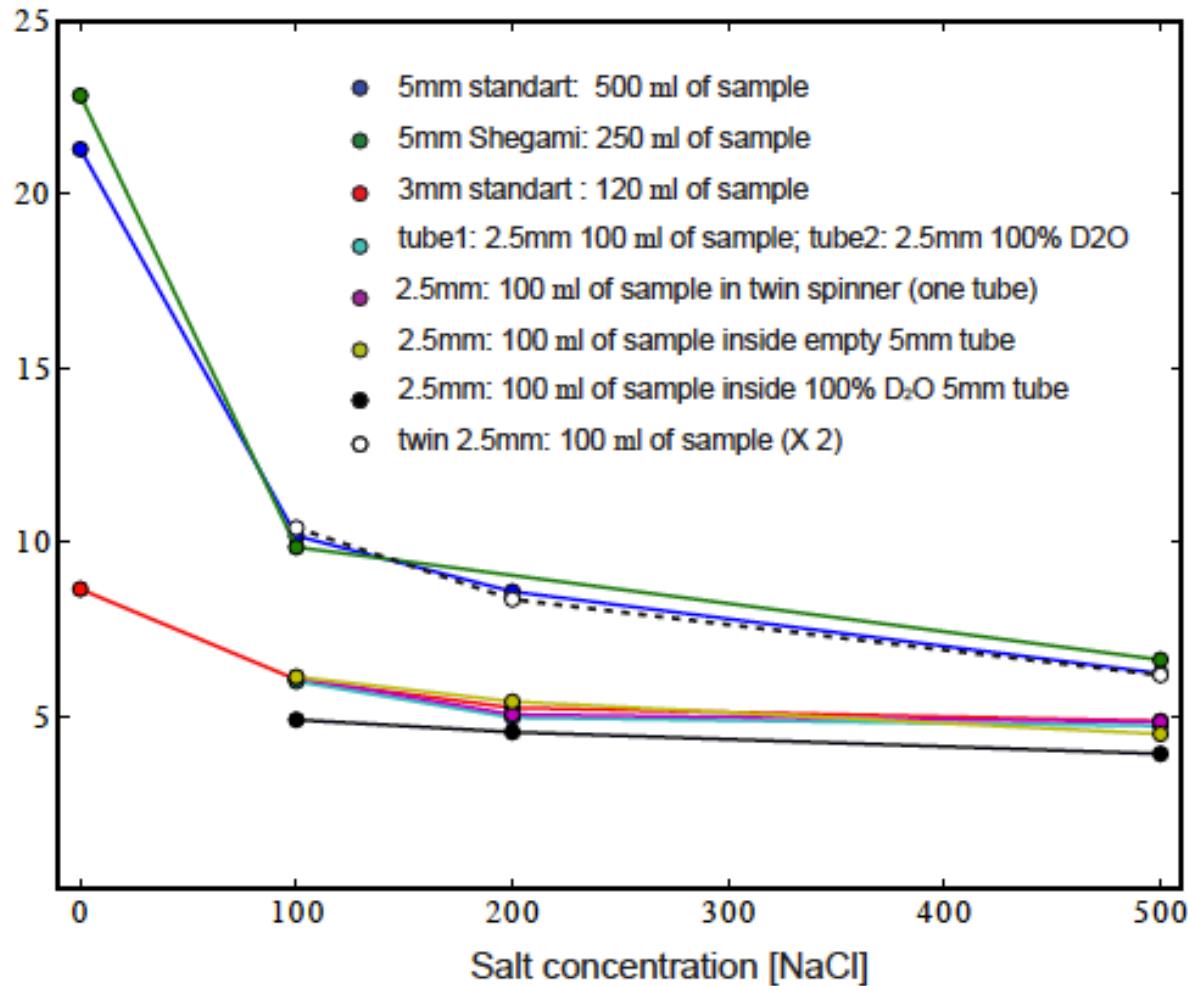
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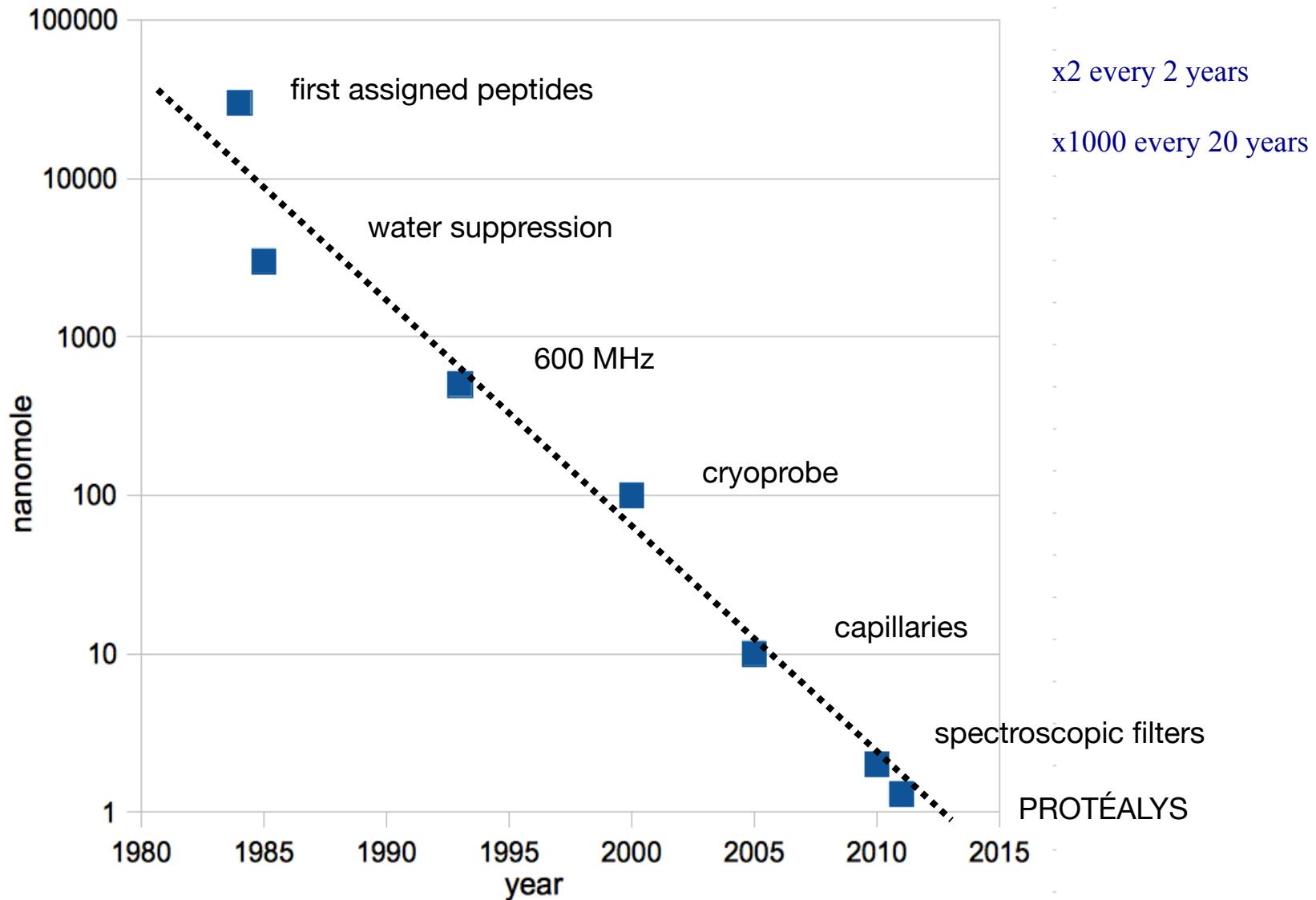


Signal to noise @ constant concentration



Gain with a cryoprobe

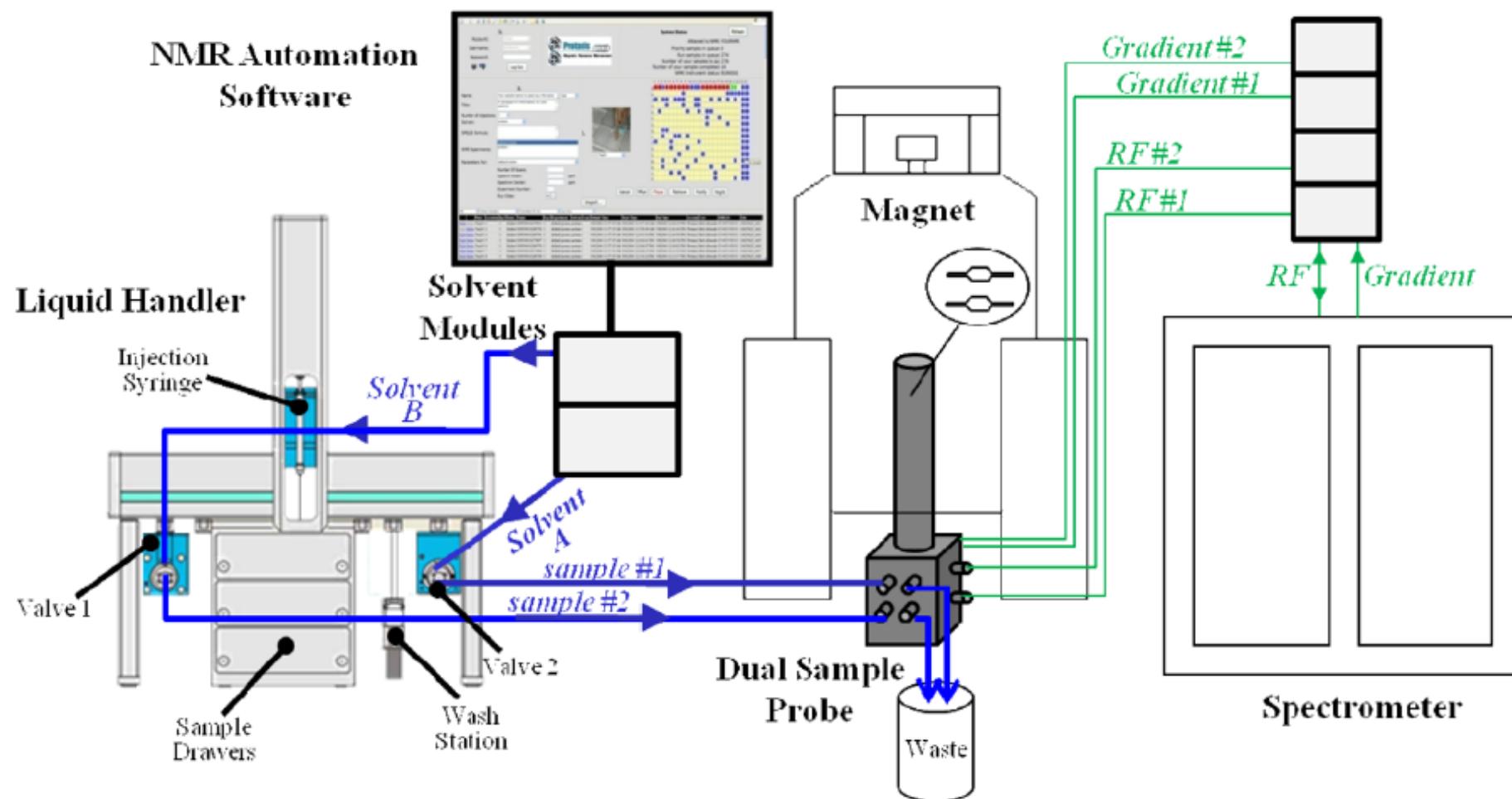
Quantity of protein detected



Multiplexed NMR: An Automated CapNMR Dual-Sample Probe

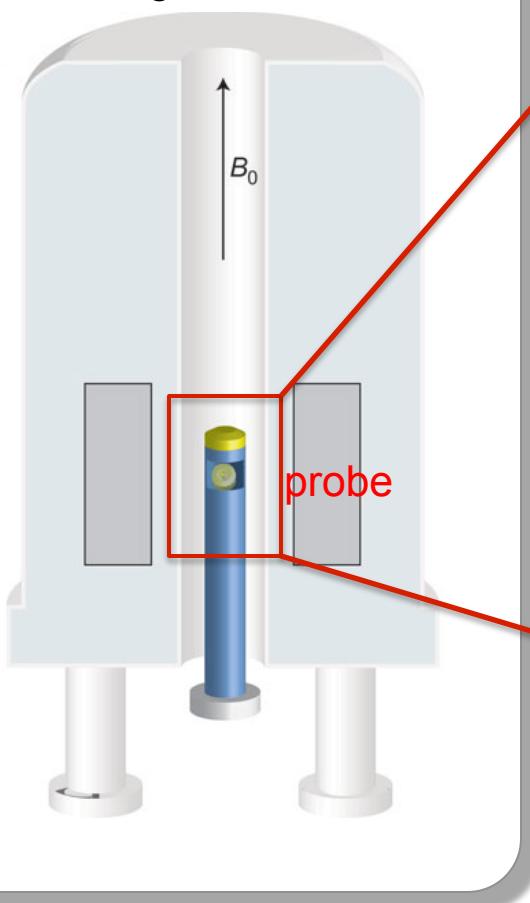
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Multiplexing
Signal Router



Instrumentation for Magic-Angle- Spinning ssNMR

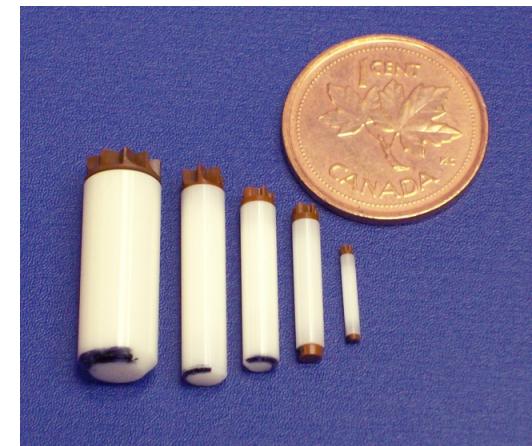
NMR magnet



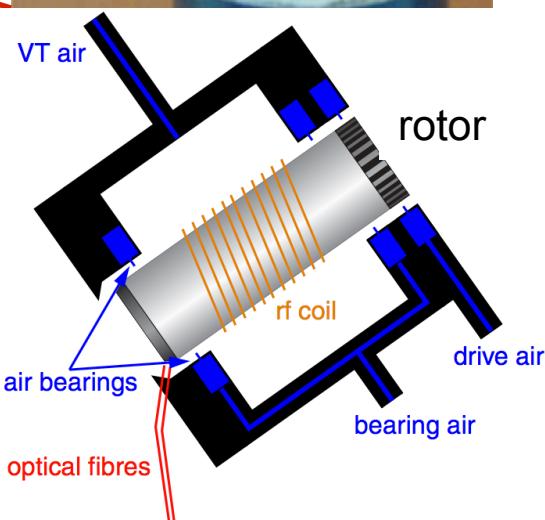
probe



sample container
("rotor")



rotation driven by gas flows

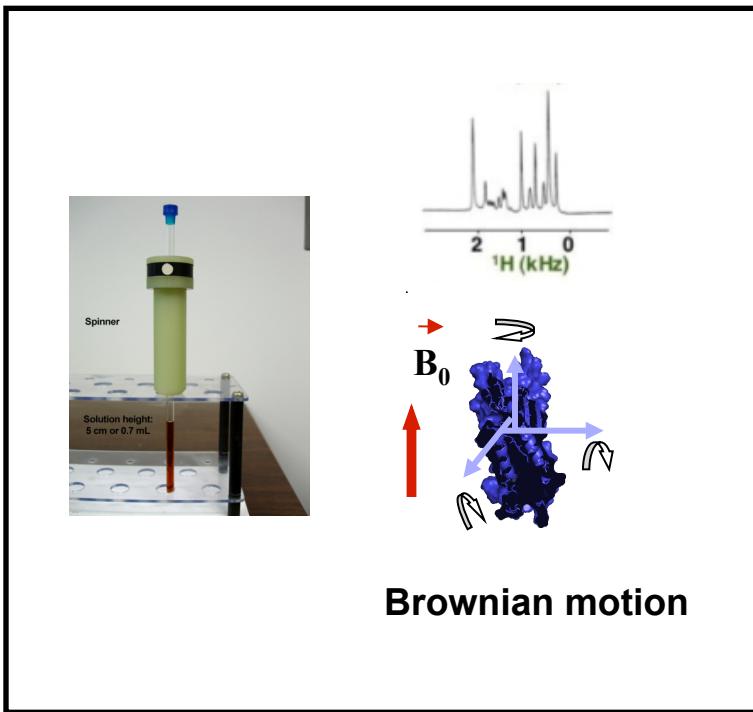


diameter	max. speed	sample volume
4 mm	15 kHz	70 μL
3.2 mm*	25 kHz	30 μL
1.6 mm*	40 kHz	8 μL
1.3 mm*	67 kHz	1.7 μL
0.9 mm	100 kHz	0.7 μL

*currently or soon at IBS

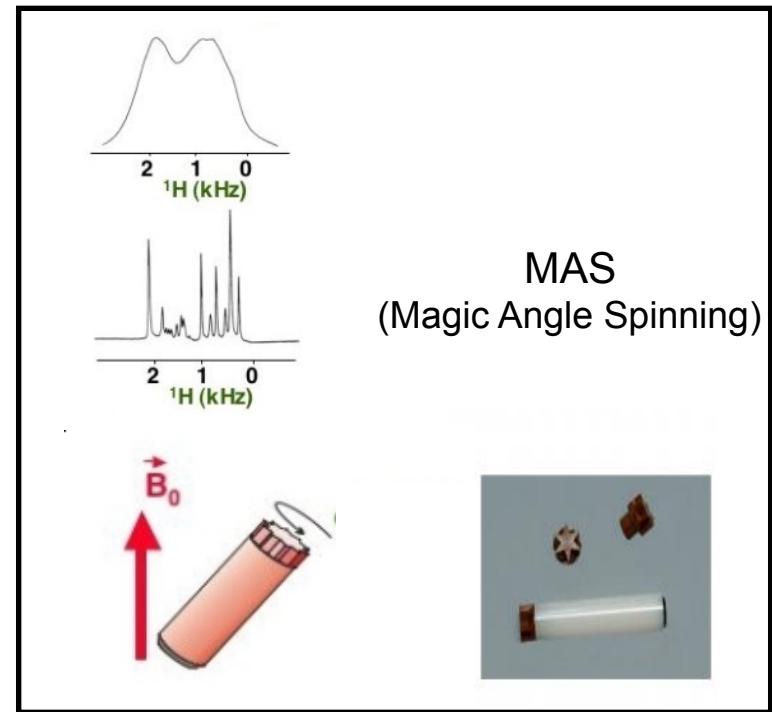
Liquid vs solid-state probe

Liquid State NMR



~ 400 μ l of soluble sample

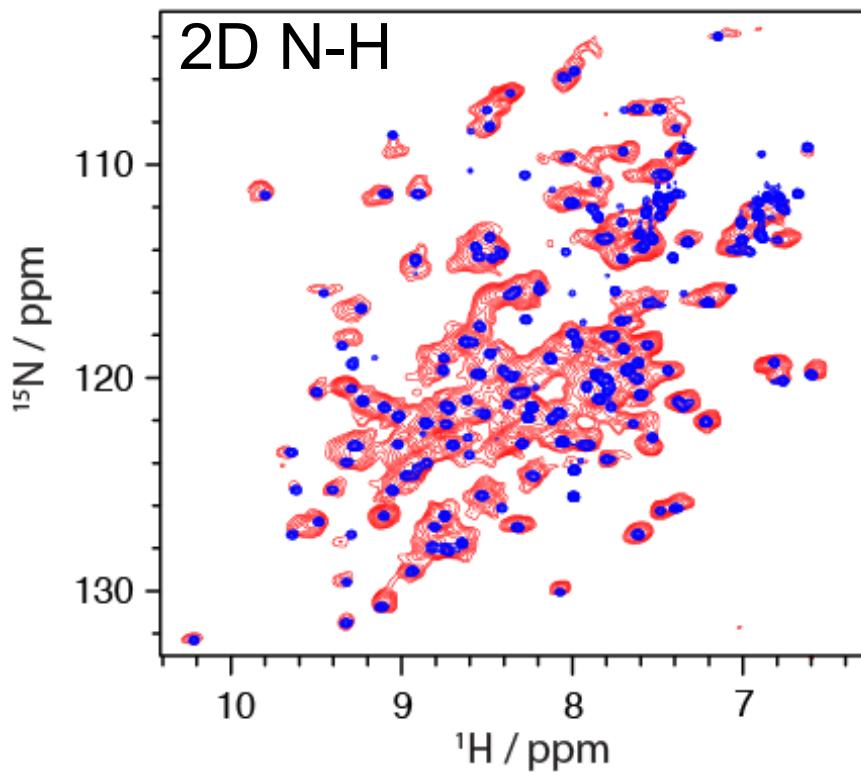
Solid State NMR



~ 20 μ l of hydrated insoluble sample

Solid-state NMR should allows to study large and insoluble proteins or biopolymers by NMR

Solid-state fast rotation MAS (111 kHz)



Protein-peptidoglycan spectrum
39 kHz MAS, 600 MHz
deuterated protein + deuterated PG
in H_2O -based buffer
3D in about 3 days exptl time.

Solid-state fast-rotation MAS

Barbet-Massin et al., J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2014, 136, 12489–12497

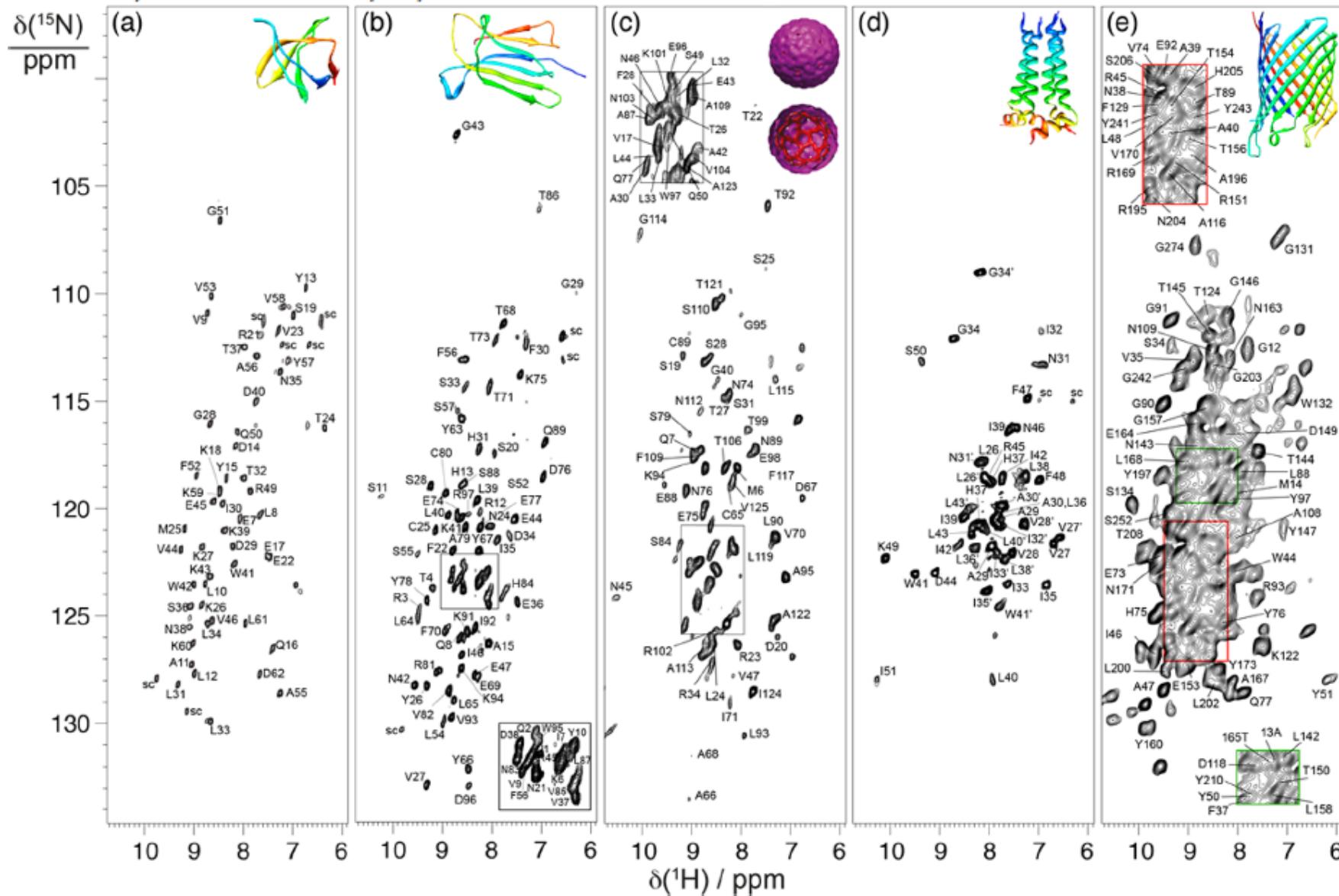
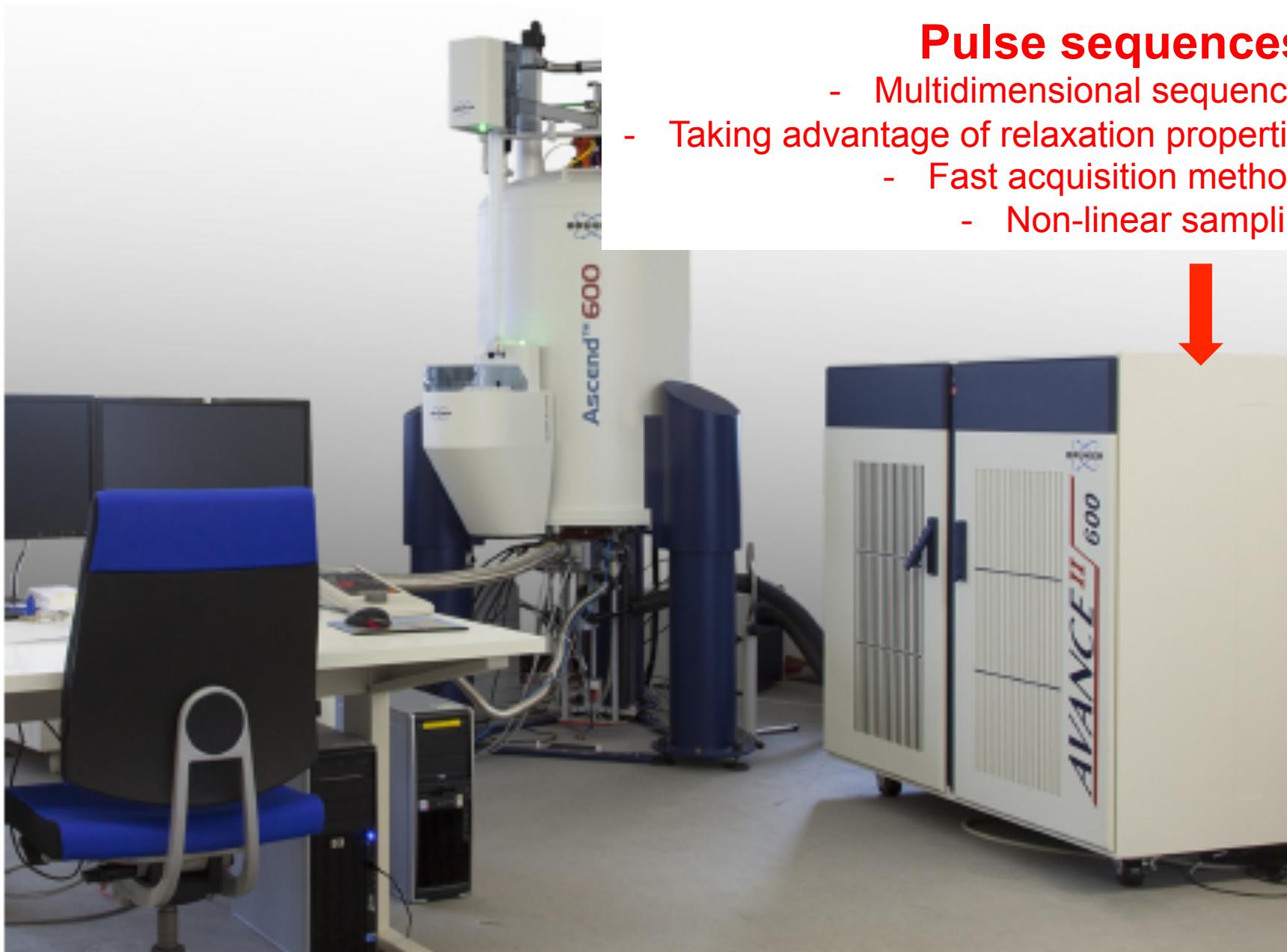


Figure 2. $^{15}\text{N}-^1\text{H}$ correlation spectra recorded on a 1 GHz spectrometer under 60 kHz MAS for [U-H-N²H, ¹³C, ¹⁵N]-labeled (a) microcrystalline SH3, (b) microcrystalline β 2m, and (c) sedimented nucleocapsids of AP205, (d) M2 channel, and (e) OmpG.

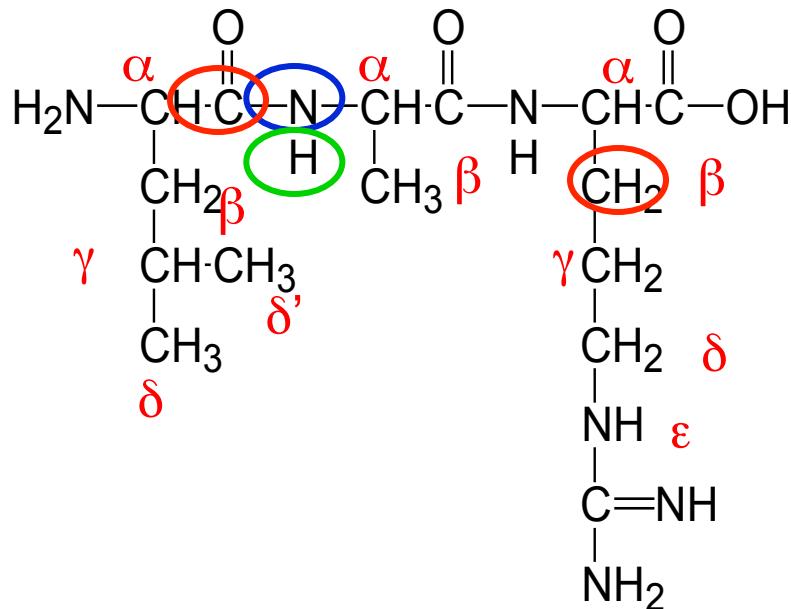
Technological innovations



Pulse sequences:

- Multidimensional sequences
- Taking advantage of relaxation properties
 - Fast acquisition methods
 - Non-linear sampling

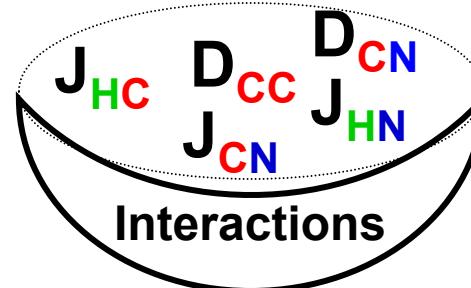
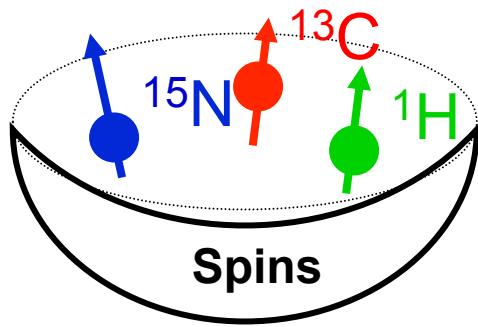
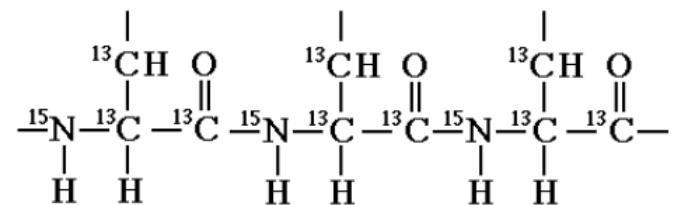
Coherence or magnetization transfer experiments



Doubly labeled sample:
 ^{13}C , ^{15}N

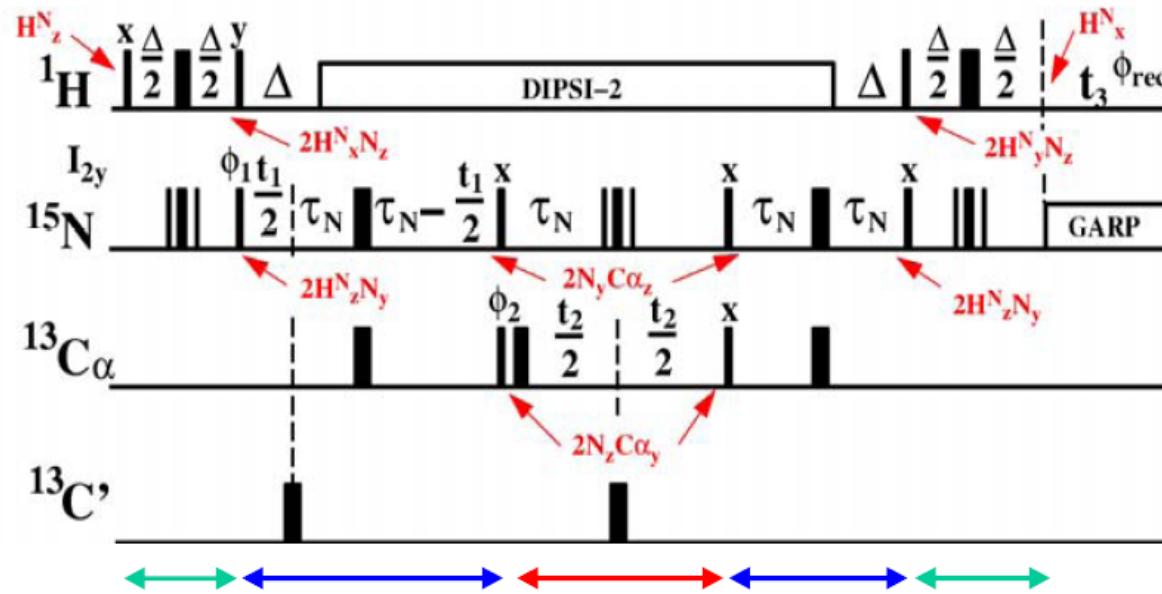
Recombinant protein in *E. coli*
 $^{15}\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$
 ^{13}C -glucose

Recombinant DNA or RNA with labeled NTPs,
Enzymatic synthesis



Coherence or dipolar transfer experiments in liquids

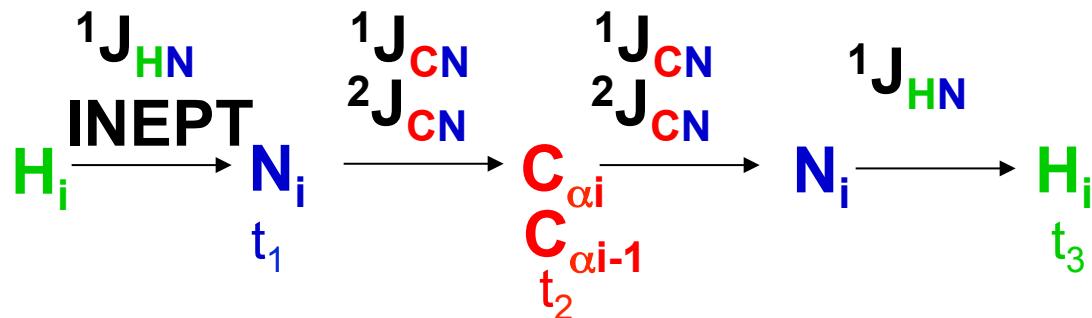
3D HNCA out-and-back: $\text{H}^{\text{N}} \rightarrow \text{N}(t_1) \rightarrow \text{C}_{\alpha}(t_2) \rightarrow \text{N} \rightarrow \text{H}^{\text{N}}(t_3)$



$$\sin^4(\pi^1 J_{N,HN} \Delta) \exp(-2\Delta/T_{2HN})$$

$$^* \sin^2(\pi J_{C\alpha N} 2\tau) \cos^2(\pi J_{C\alpha N} 2\tau) \exp(-4\tau/T_{2N})$$

$$^* \cos(\pi^1 J_{C\alpha,C\beta} t_2) \exp(-t_2/T_{2C\alpha})$$

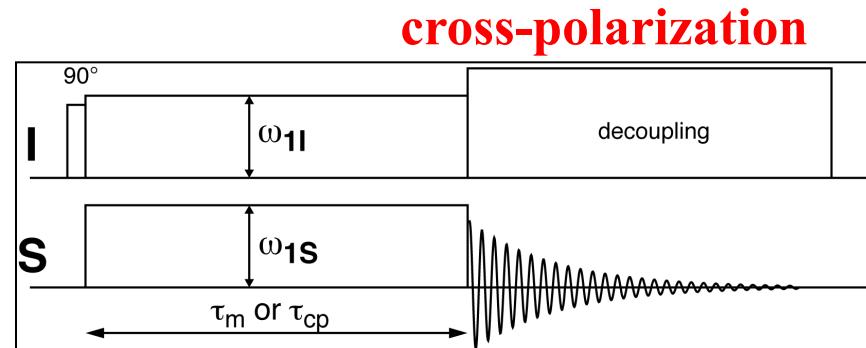


3D sequence allowing intra-amino acid assignment and sequential assignments
Bax *et al.*, 1990 Calmodulin

Dipolar transfer experiments in ssNMR

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}} = \sum_i \sum_{l=0}^2 A_l^{(i)} \cdot \hat{T}_l^{(i)}$$

space part
spin part

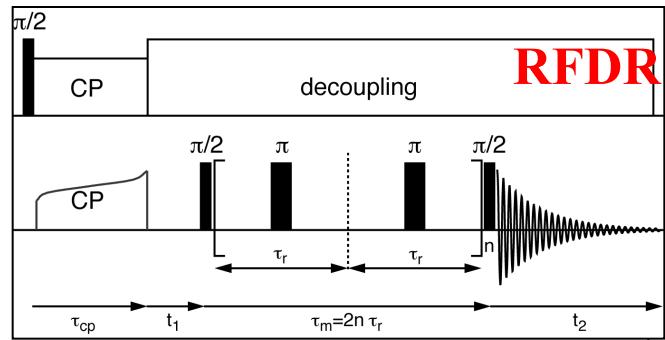


General idea:

rotate sample (MAS)

+ rotate spins (RF irradiation)

→ create interference between these two processes

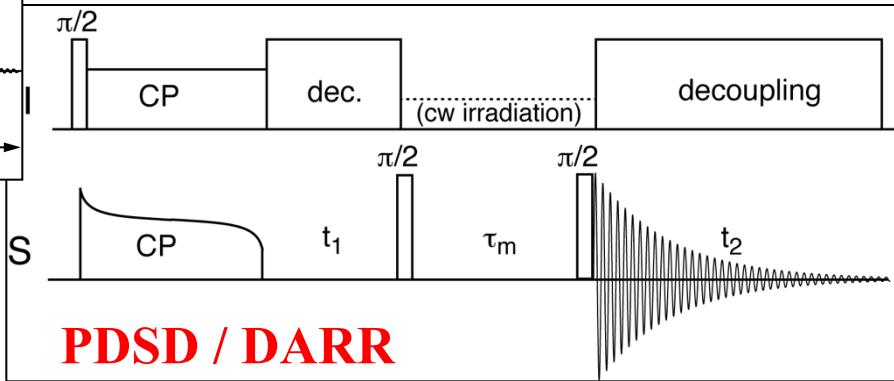
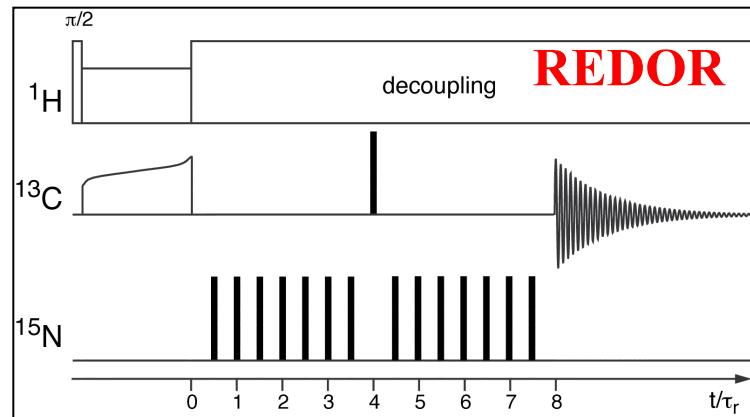


HORROR

DREAM

R-sequences

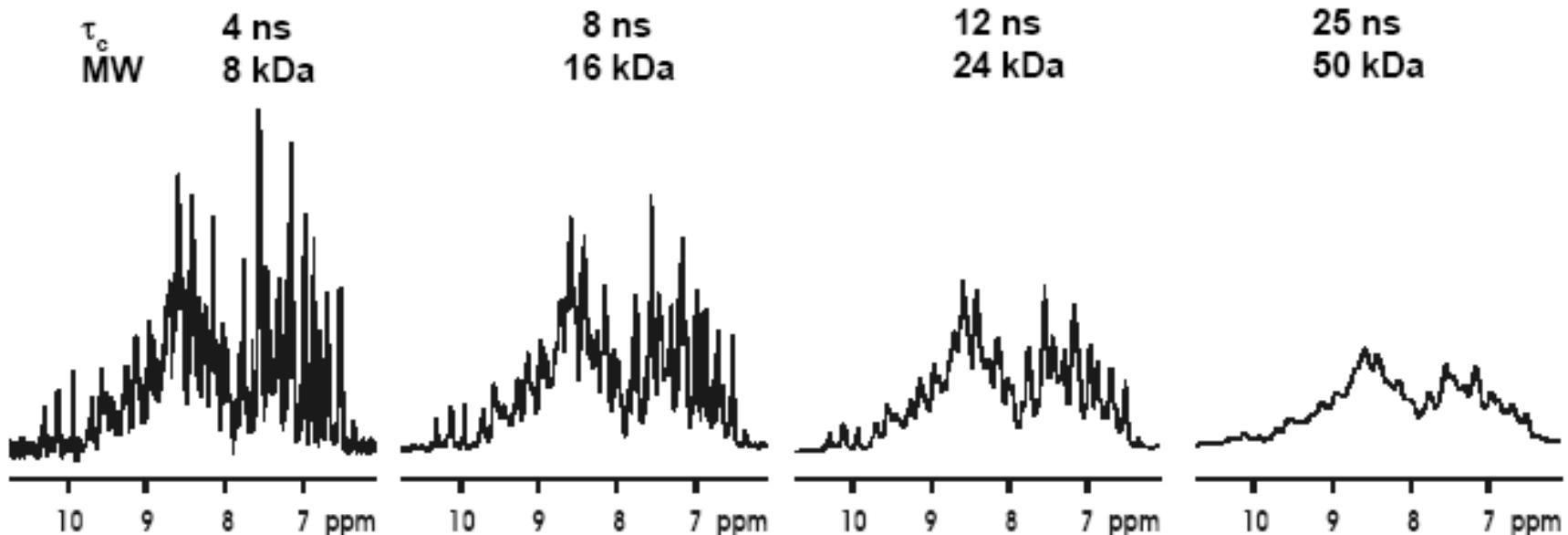
C-sequences ,....



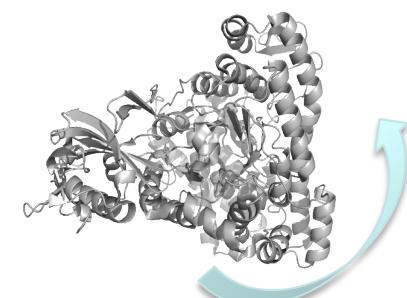
NMR, a limited competitiveness for structures: an intrinsic size limitation in solution

Liquid-state NMR a serious limit?

Linewidth $\Delta\nu_{1/2} = \frac{1}{\pi T_2}$



fast overall rotation

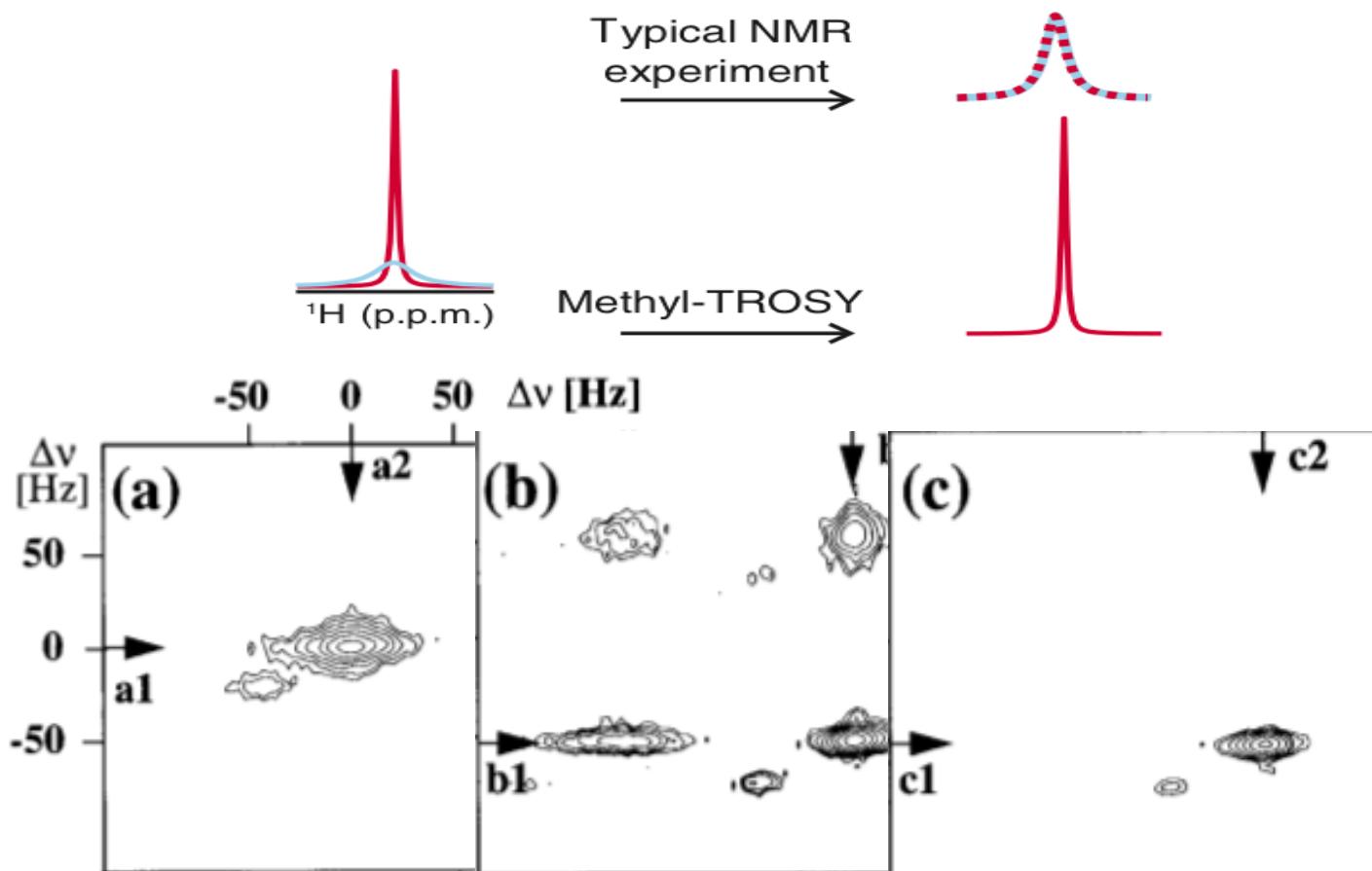


slow overall rotation

Back to the liquid-state ... Exploitation of the relaxation properties

1. Transverse relaxation:

- Exploitation between different relaxation mechanisms (CSA-DD)
=> TROSY



Data acquisition is full of dead times

1D

Preparation



2D

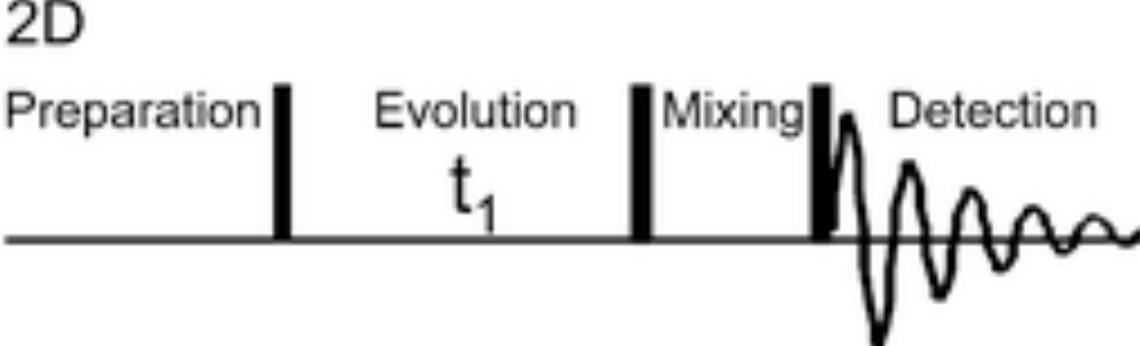
Preparation

Evolution

t_1

Mixing

Detection



3D

Preparation

Evol

t_1

Mix

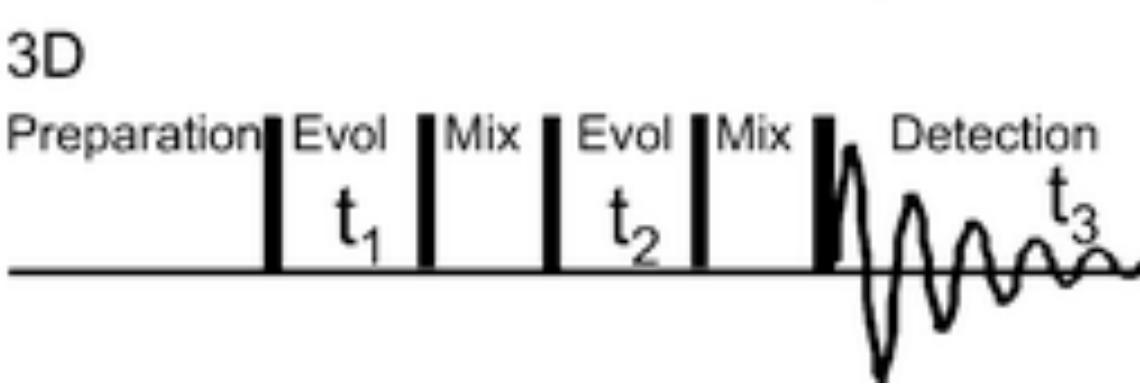
Evol

t_2

Mix

t_3

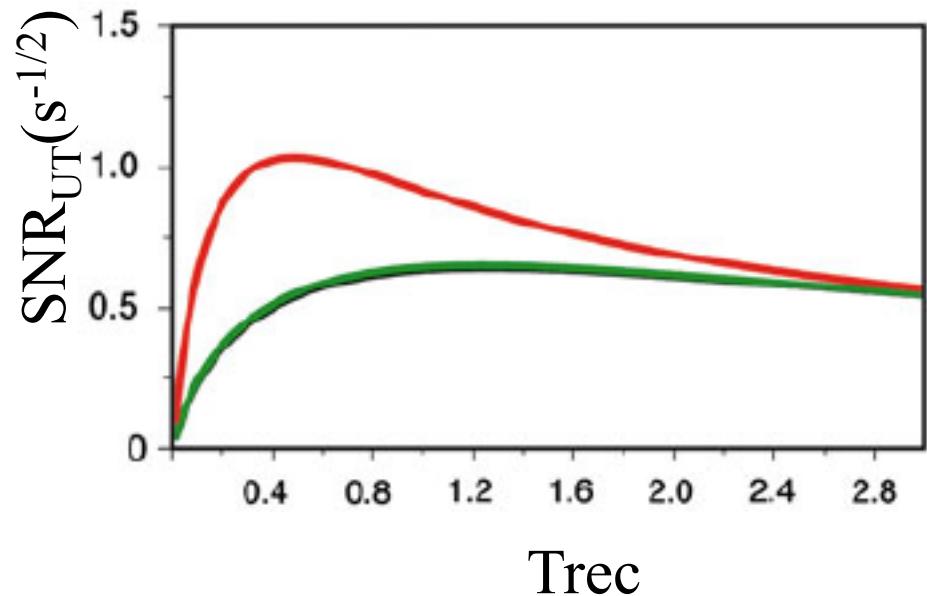
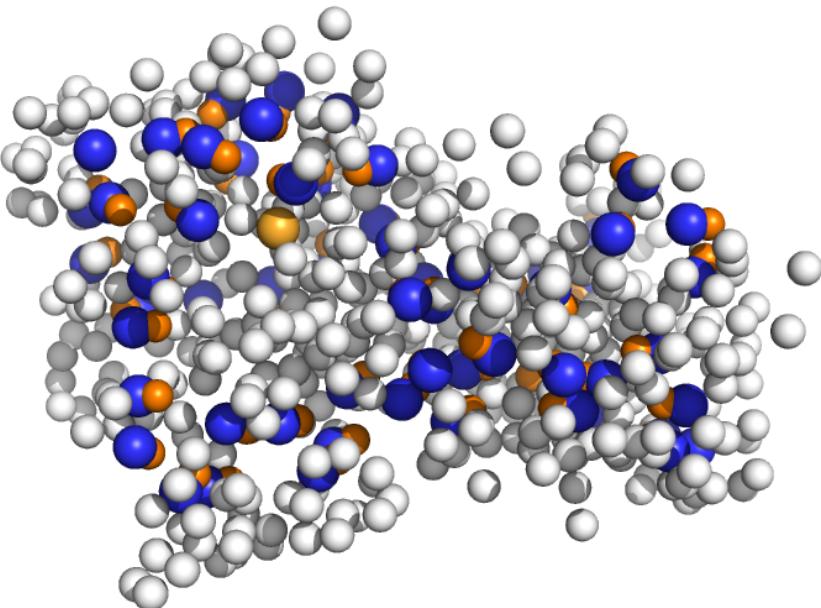
Detection



Exploitation of the relaxation properties

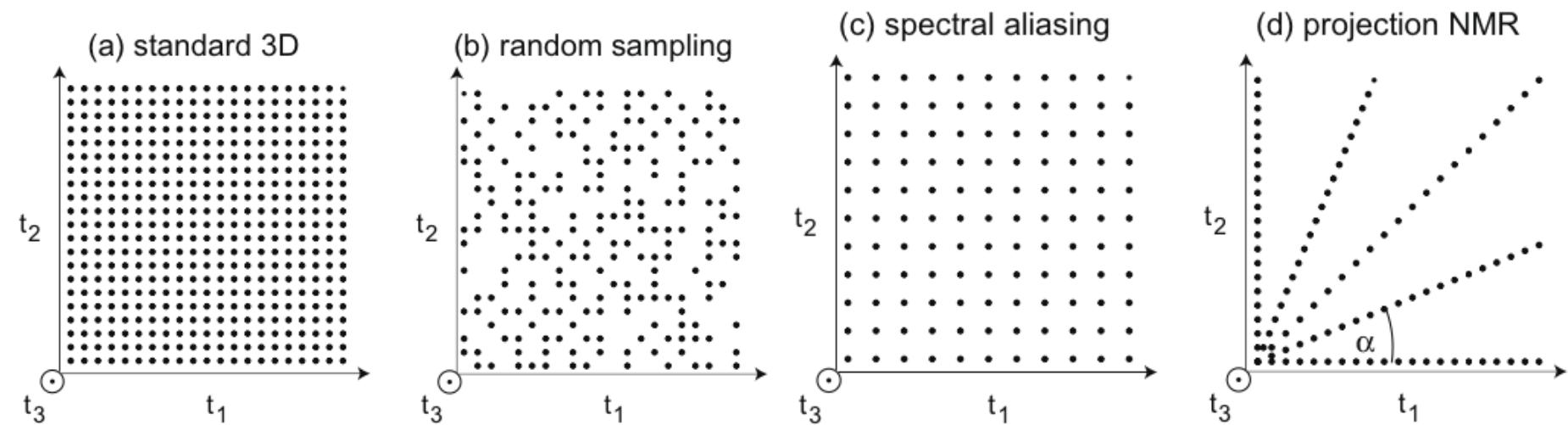
2. Longitudinal relaxation:

- Accelerate the return to the thermodynamic equilibrium to speed-up the acquisition process => SOFAST, BEST, BEST-TROSY

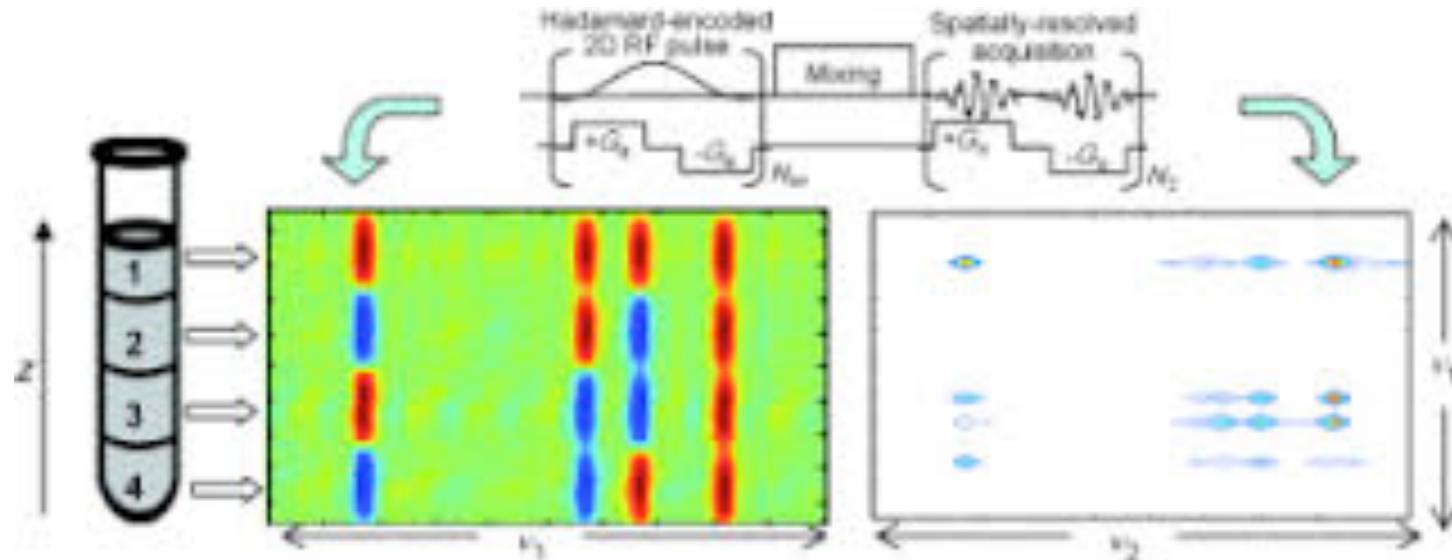


Alternative sampling methods

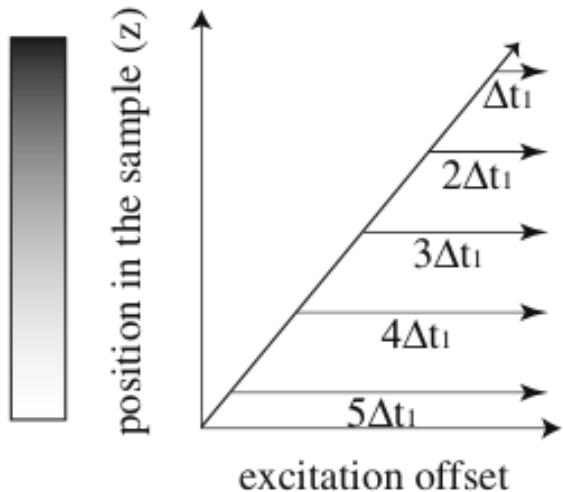
- The use of FFT implies a linear sampling
- Alternative methods (NUS) are now proposed



Alternative sampling methods



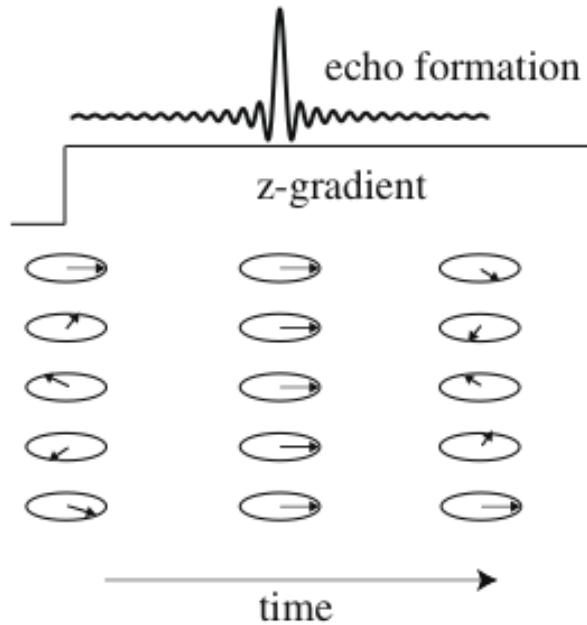
(1) space-encoded excitation



(2)

(3) gradient-assisted acquisition

spatially
homogeneous
mixing



Single-scan spectroscopy

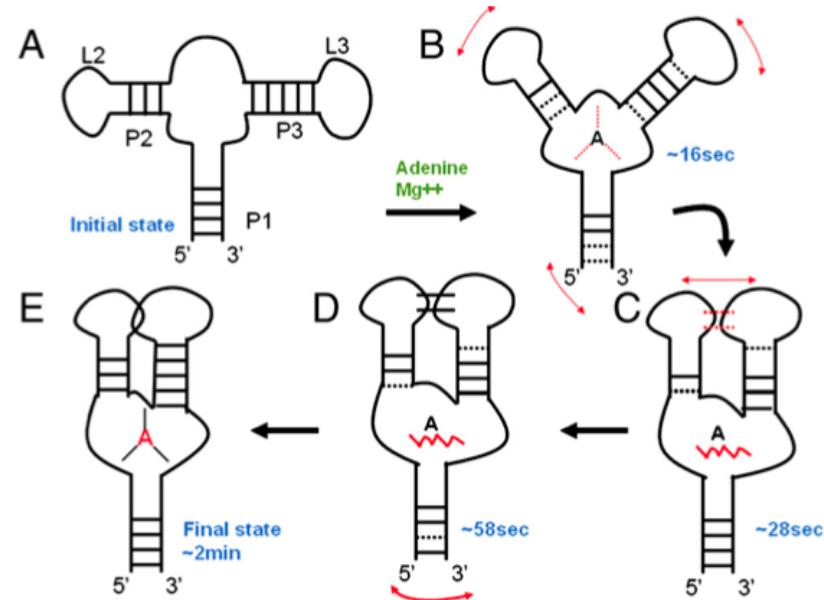
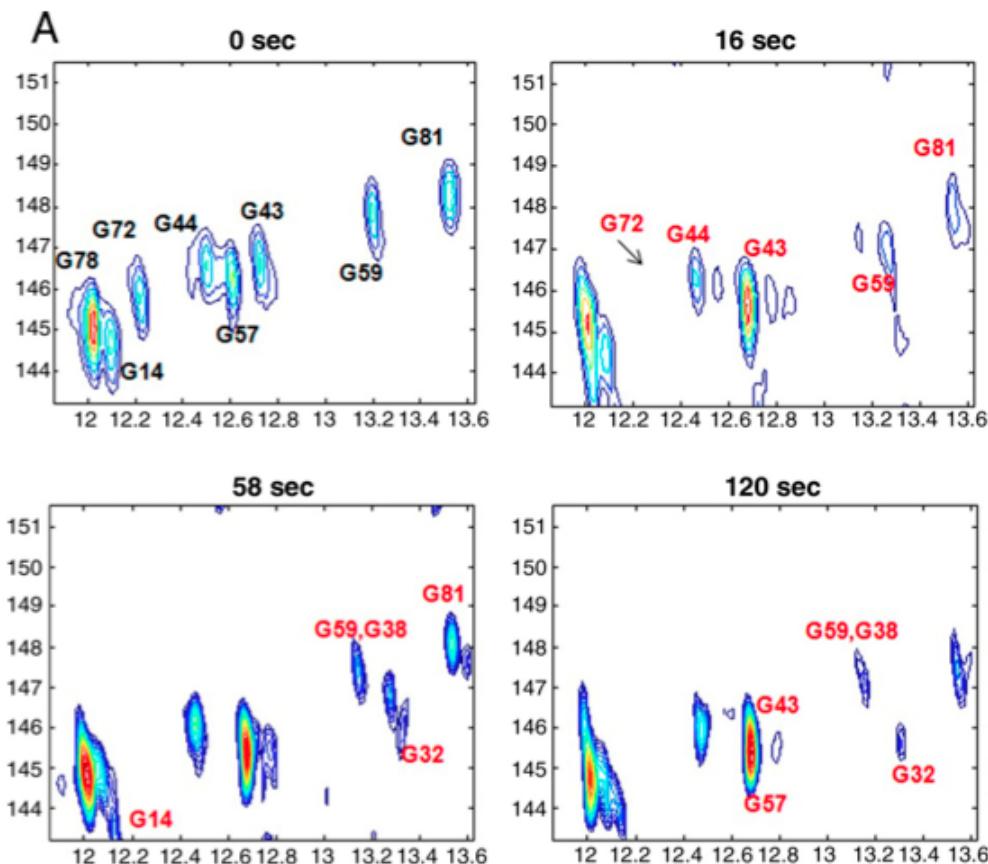
Frydman L, Scherf T, Lupulescu A. PNAS. 2002

Application: following real-time folding of an RNA aptamer

Real-time multidimensional NMR follows RNA folding with second resolution

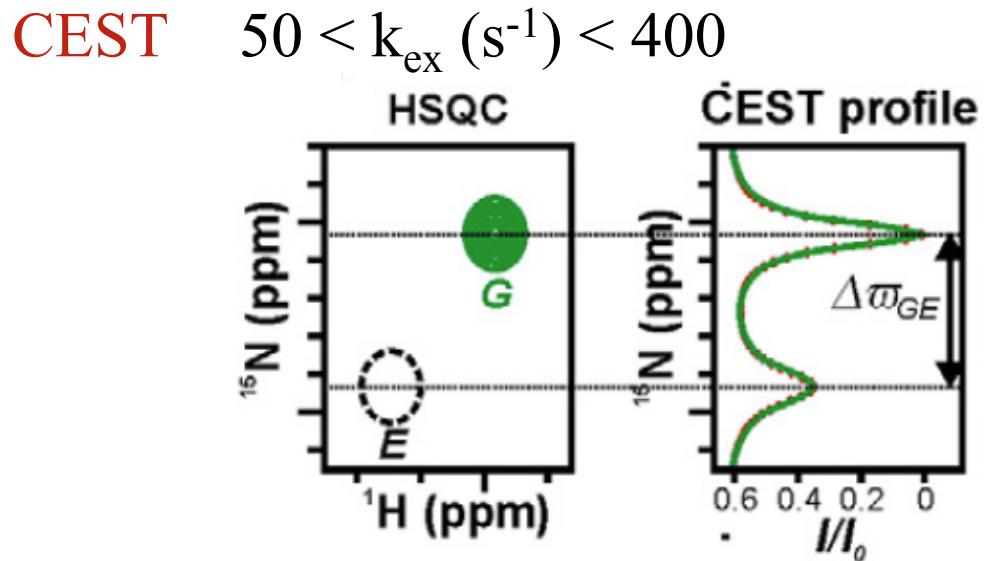
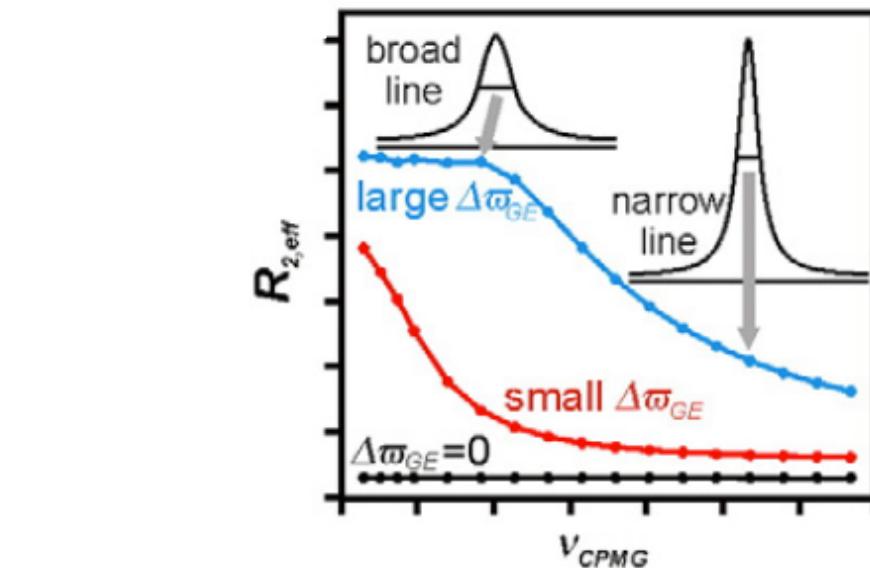
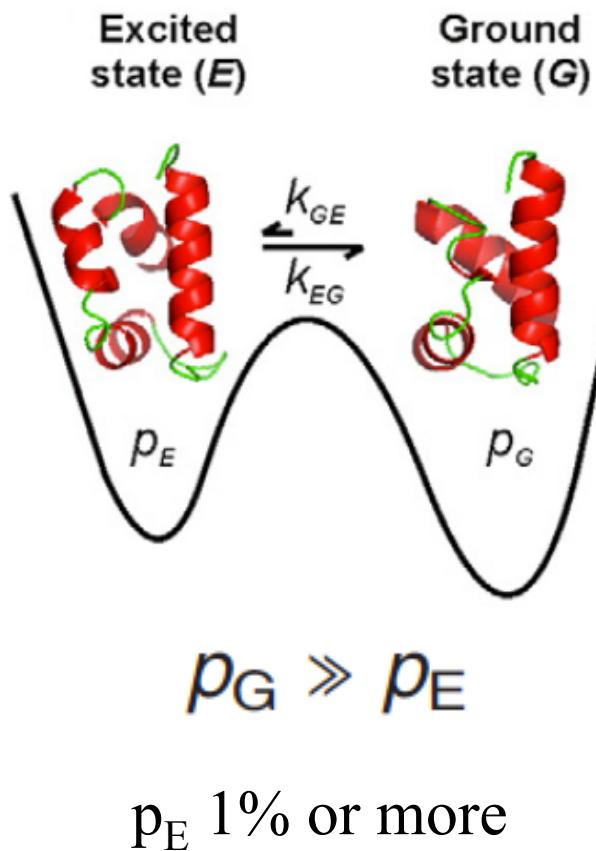
Mi-Kyung Lee^{a,1}, Maayan Gal^{b,1}, Lucio Frydman^{b,2}, and Gabriele Varani^{a,c,2}

PNAS 2010



Assessing data on non-detectable states

CPMG $500 < k_{\text{ex}} (\text{s}^{-1}) < 2000$

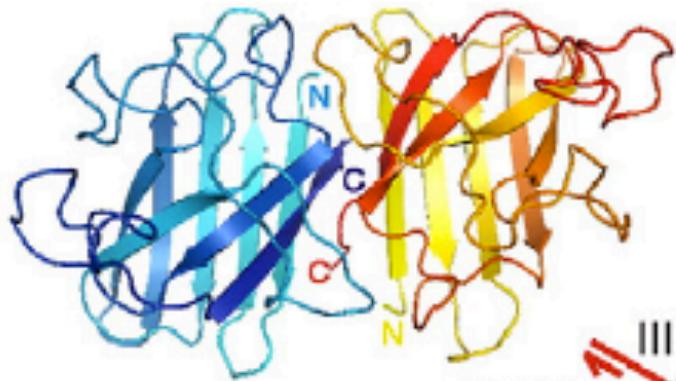


Assessing data on non-detectable states

Cys-SH

Non-native association

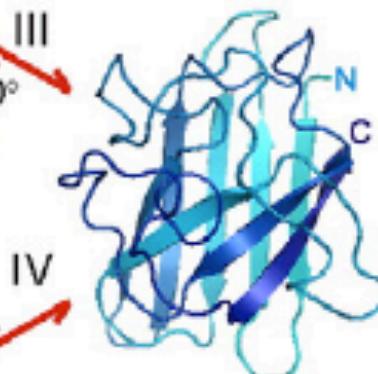
Symmetric dimer



$p \approx 3\%, \tau \approx 6 \text{ ms}$

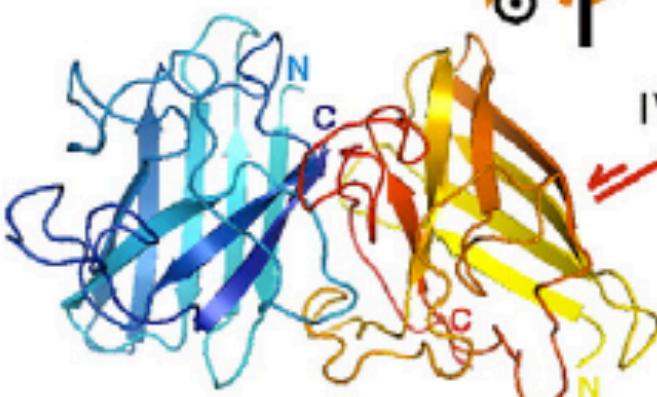


apoSOD1^{2SH}



$(I) 90^\circ (II) 30^\circ$

III

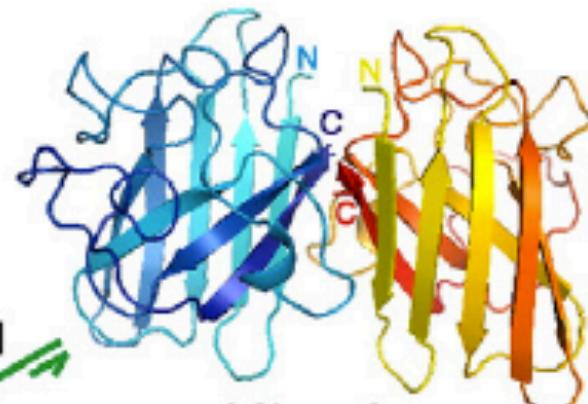


$p \approx 2\%, \tau \approx 2 \text{ ms}$

Asymmetric dimer

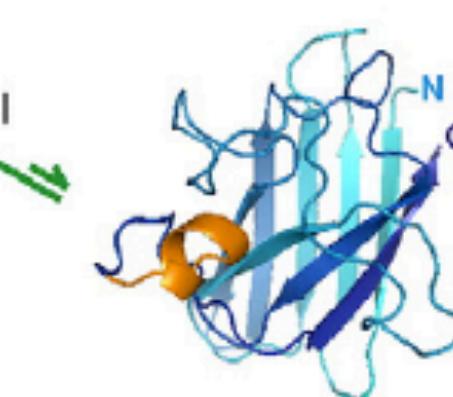
Mature conformations

Native dimer



$p \approx 3\%, \tau \approx 3 \text{ ms}$

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$p \approx 2\%, \tau \approx 13 \text{ ms}$

Native helix

Cys-Cys
Cu/Zn

Technological innovations



Samples :

- Small volumes
- Isotopic labeling

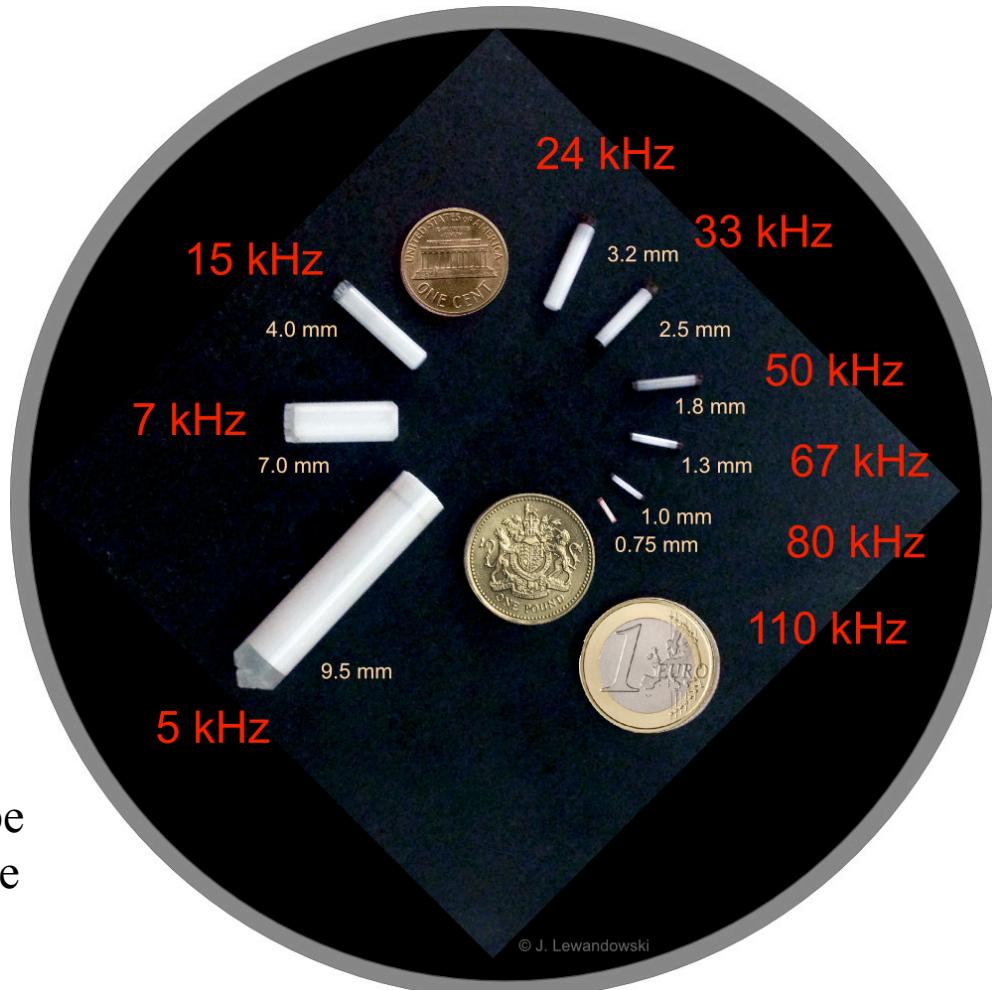
Sample volume changes matches probe design



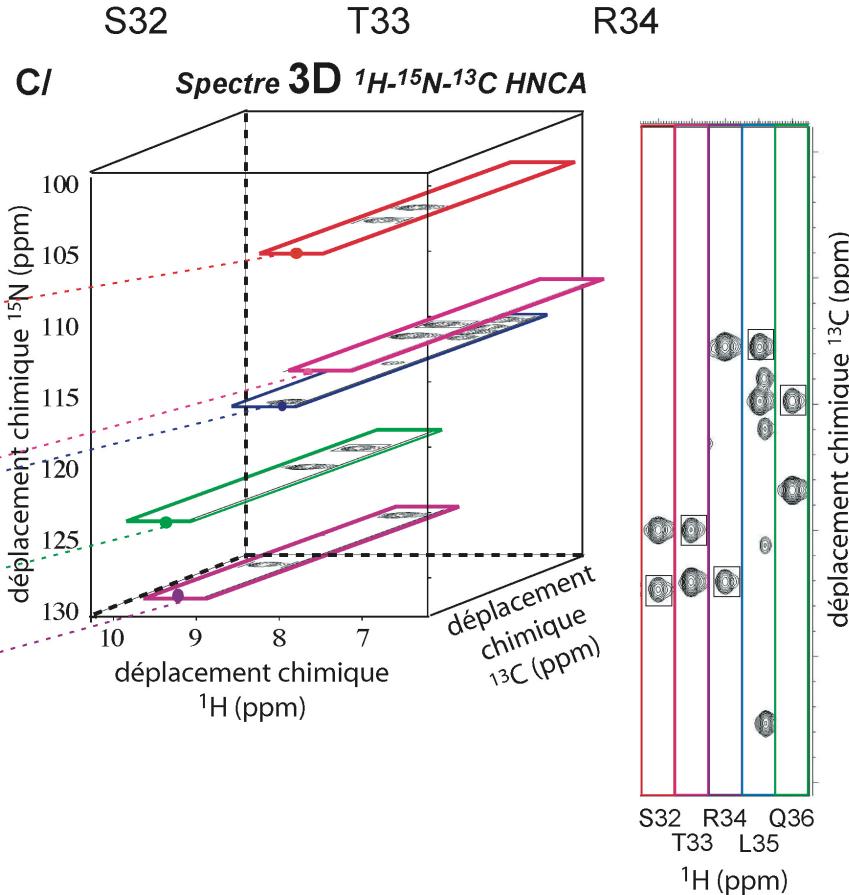
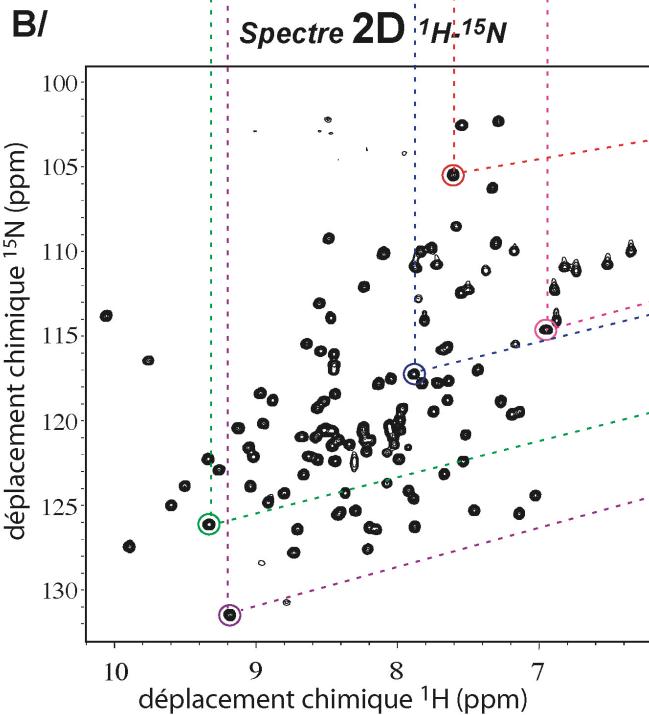
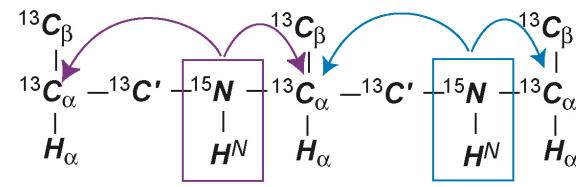
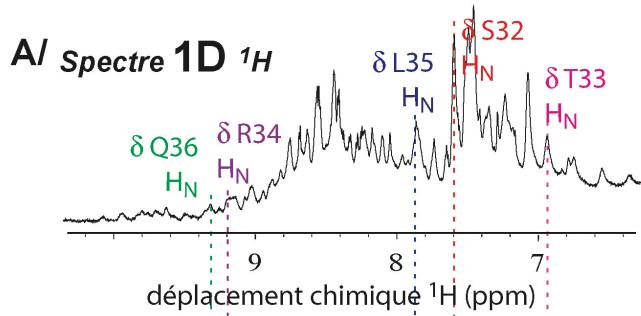
1.7 mm cryoprobe
30 µL sample volume
Liquid-state NMR

111 kHz MAS probe
2 µL sample volume
Solid-state NMR

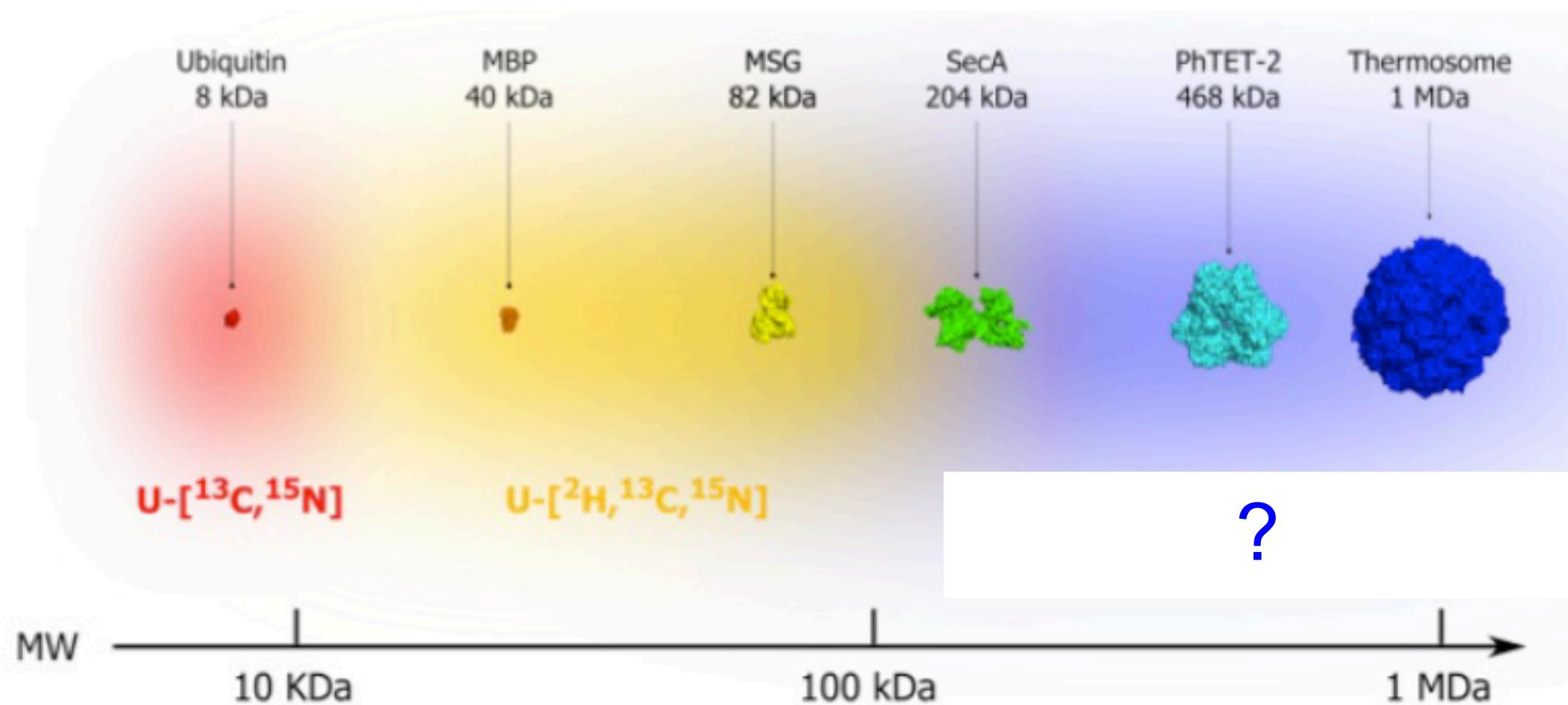
$$M_0 = \frac{N(\gamma\hbar)^2 B_0}{4kT} \quad S/N \propto Q\eta M_0$$



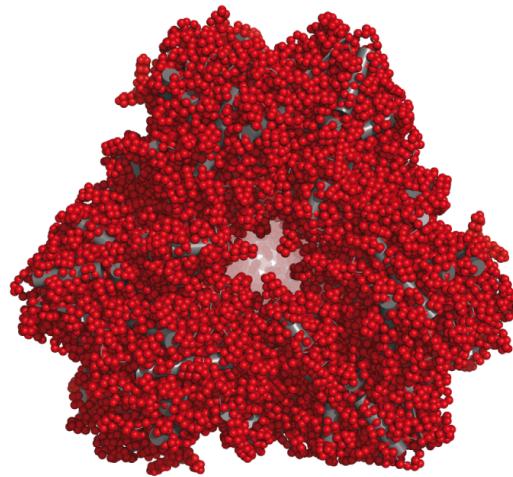
Standard methods: ^{13}C , ^{15}N -labeling and 3D triple resonance spectroscopy



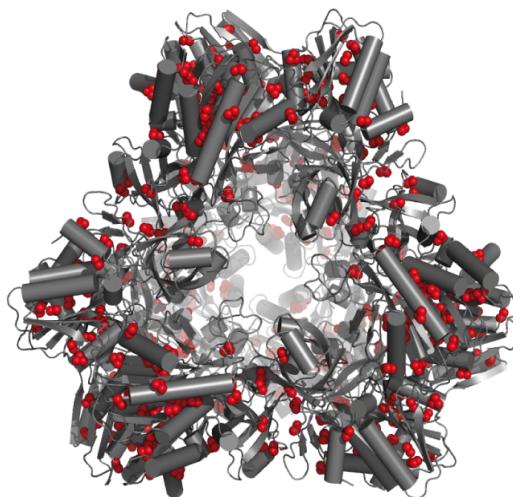
Is NMR limited to small molecules?



Can we investigate large functional machineries with NMR?

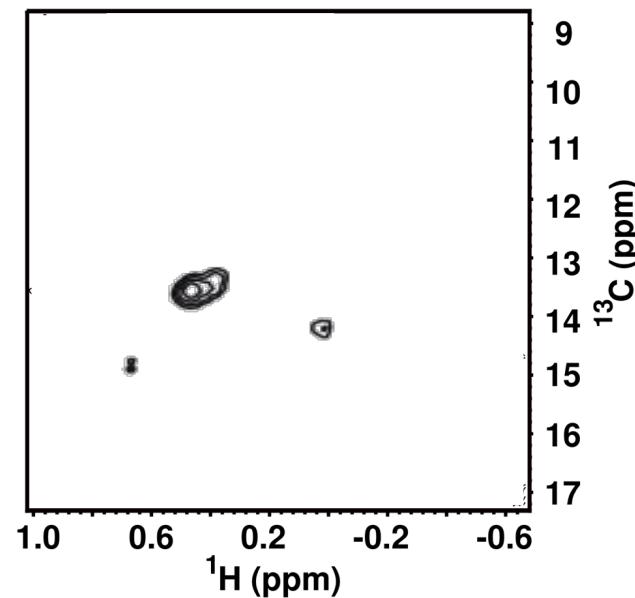


100% protonation



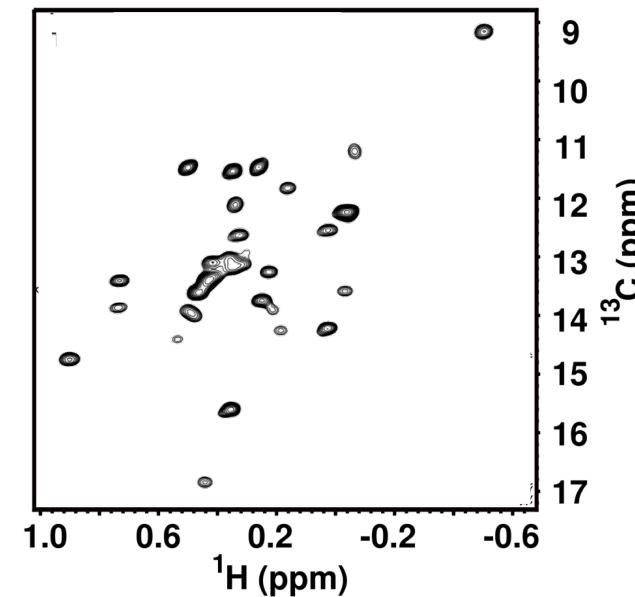
2% protonation

U-[$^1\text{H}, ^{13}\text{C}, ^{15}\text{N}$]

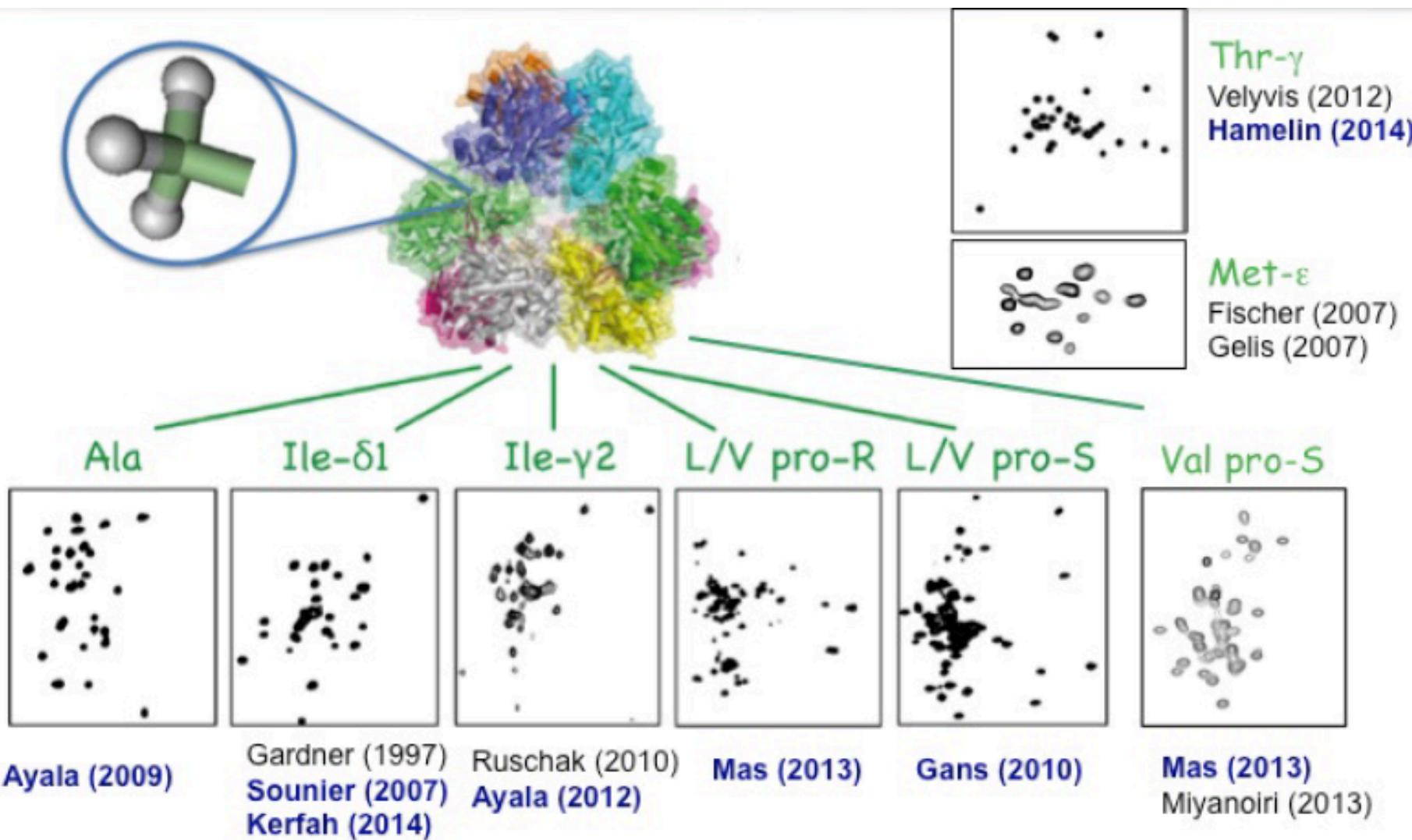


TET -468 kDa
12 x 39 kDa

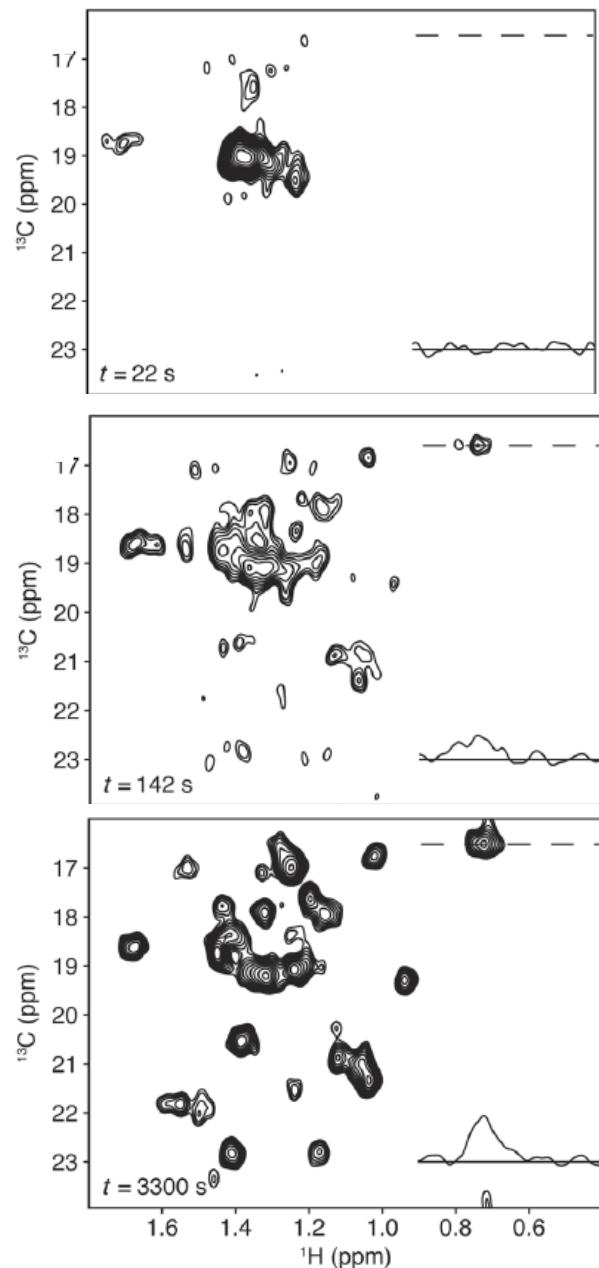
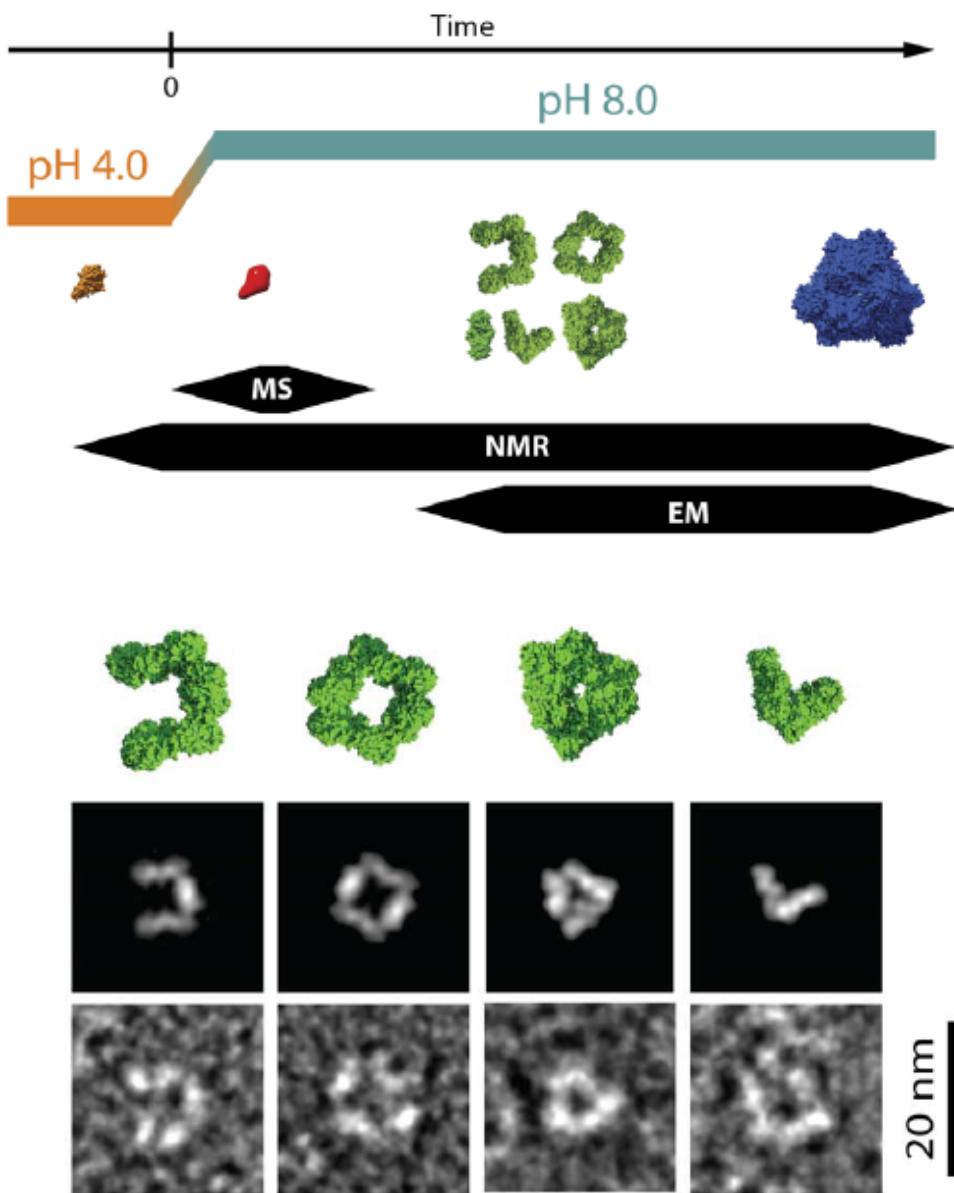
**U-[$^2\text{H}, ^{12}\text{C}, ^{15}\text{N}$]
[$\delta_1-^{13}\text{C}\text{H}_3$]-Ile**



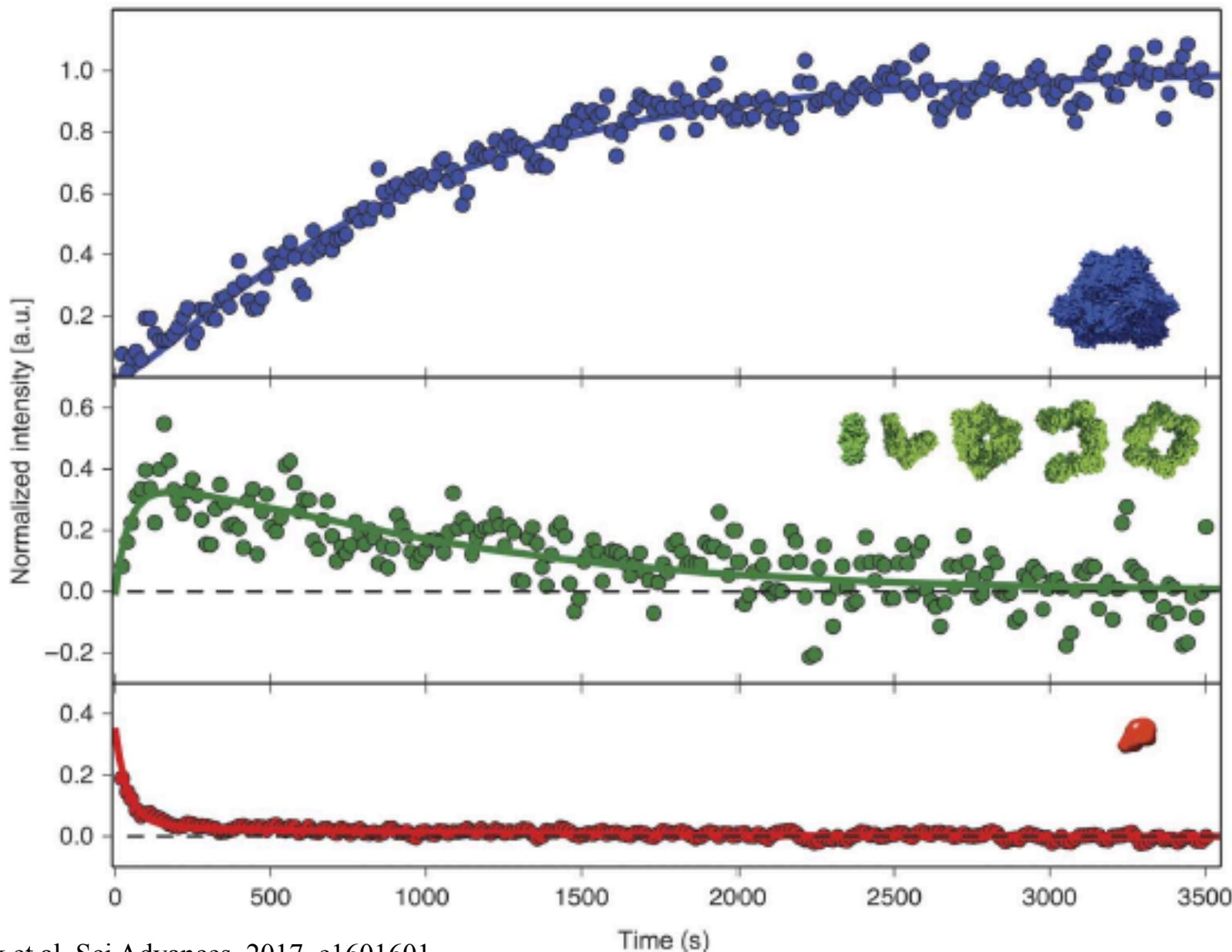
Me-labeling tool kits for NMR



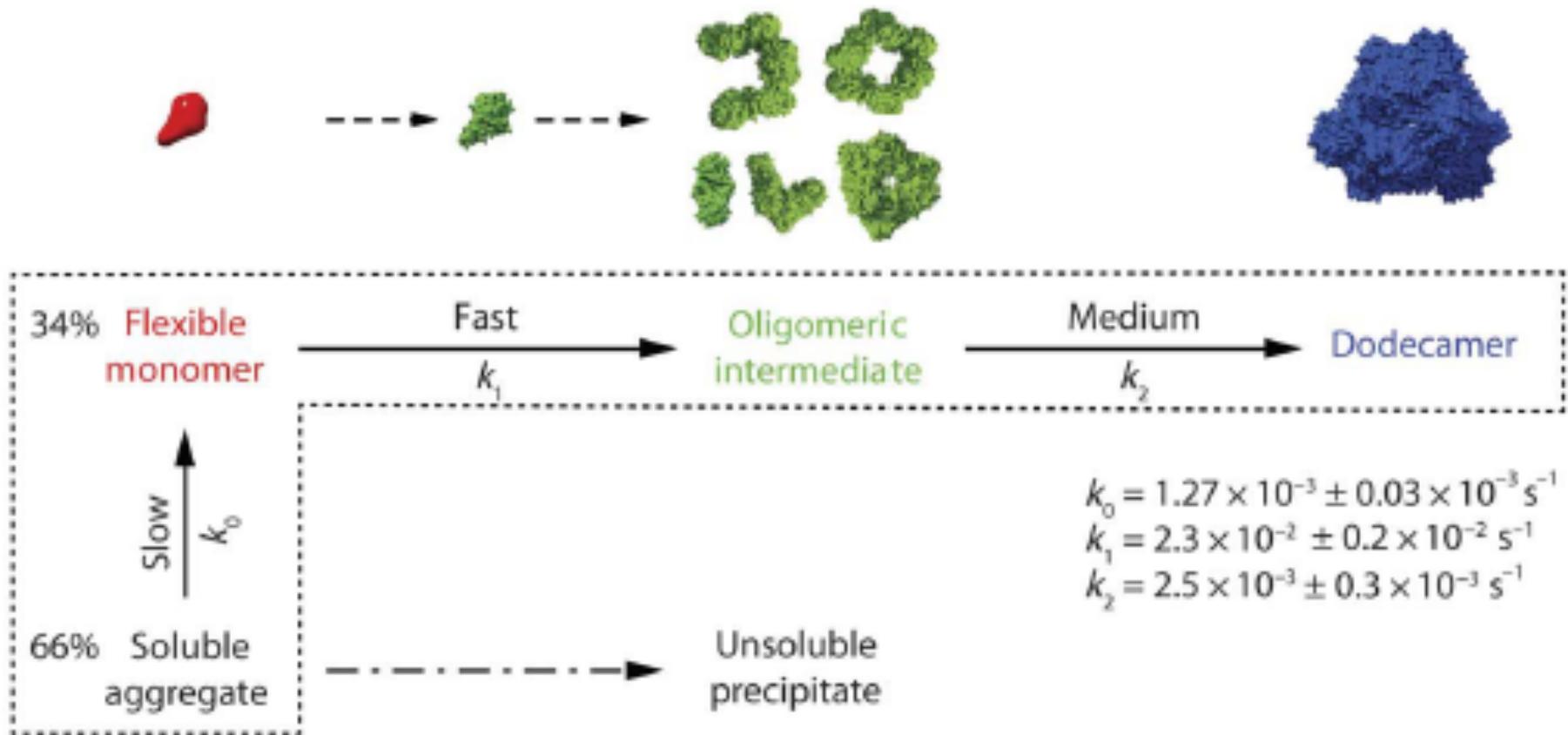
Monitoring of a molecular machine in action



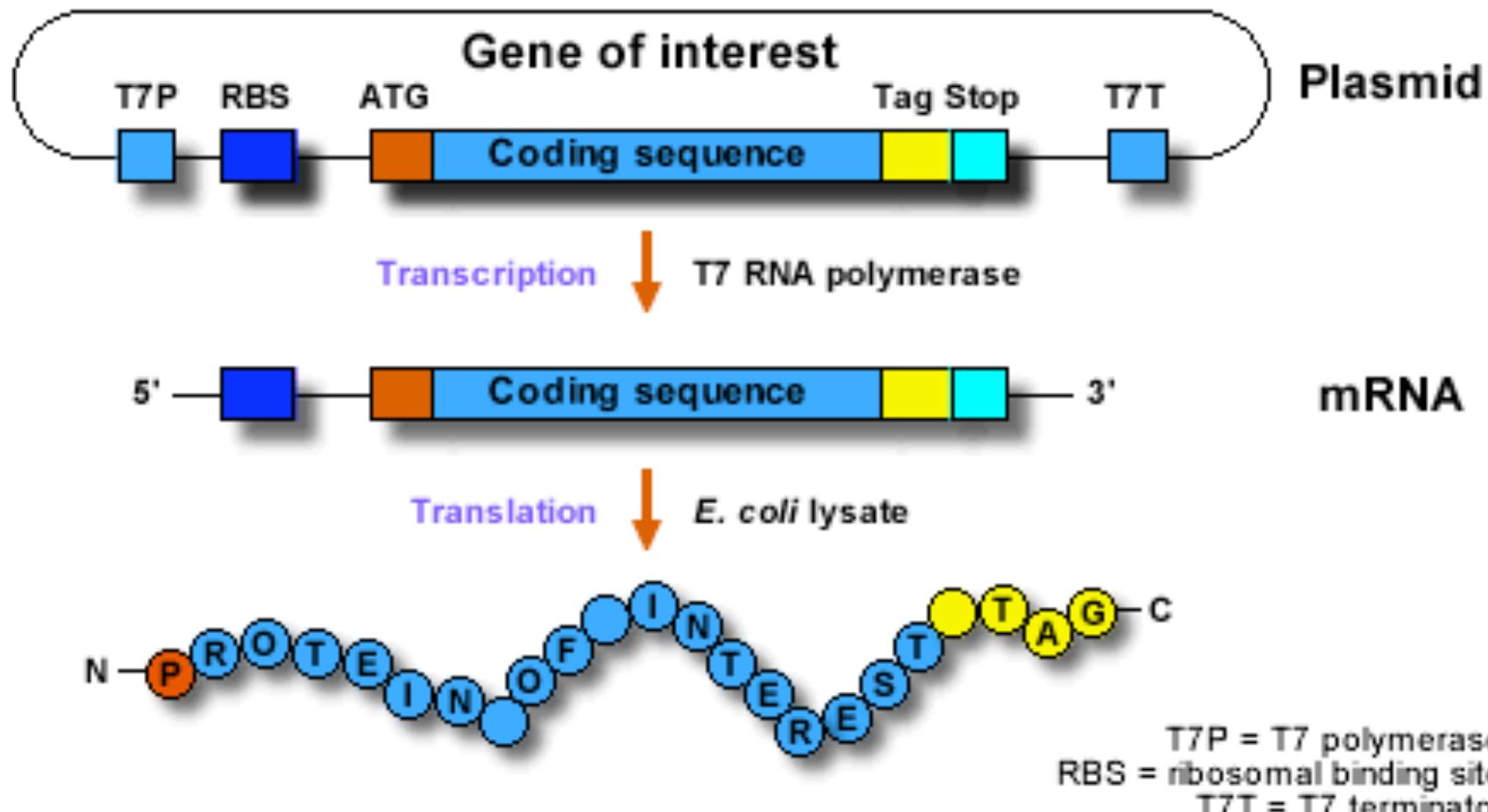
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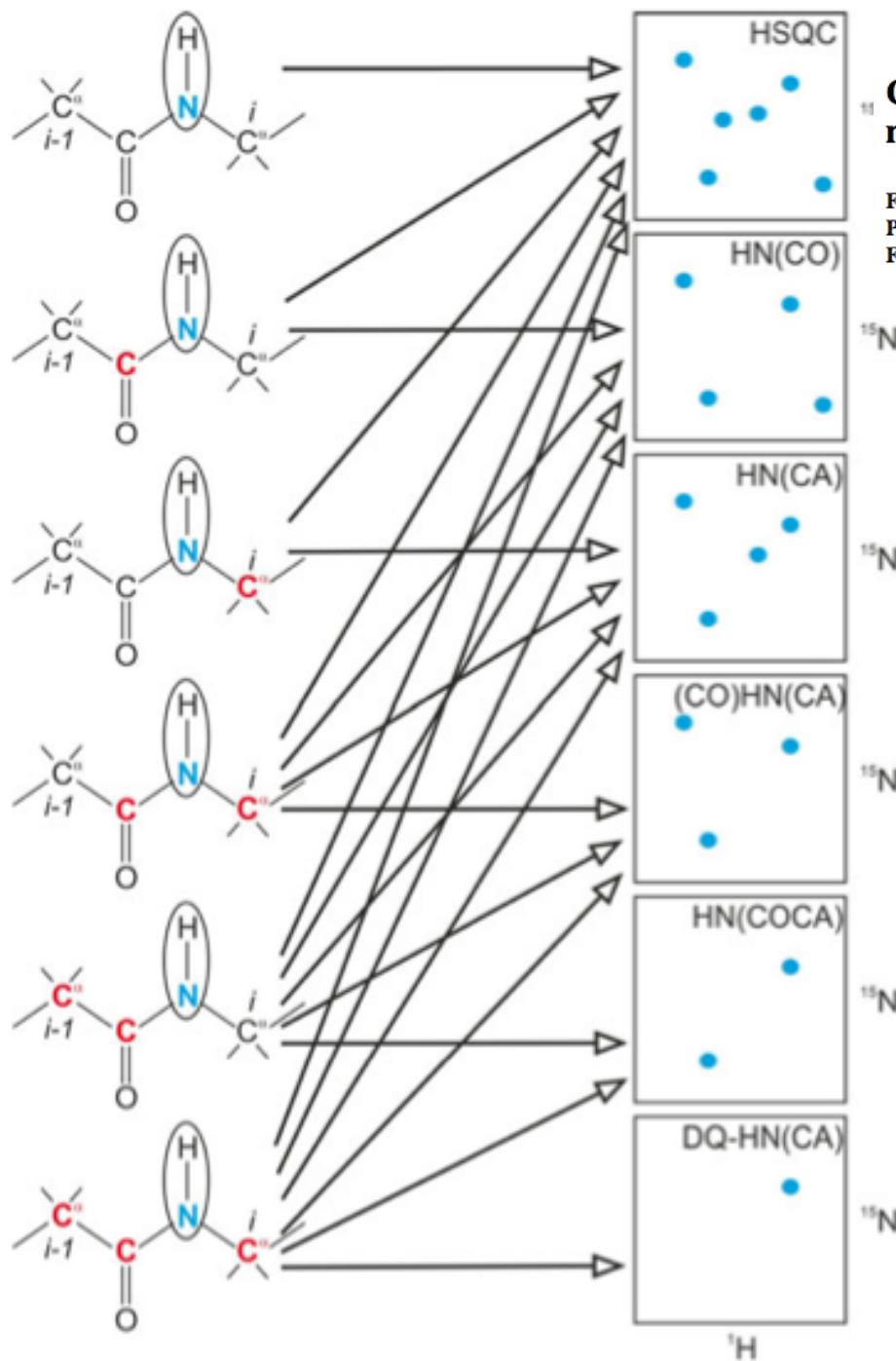


Monitoring of a molecular machine in action



Cell free expression and combinatory isotopic labeling





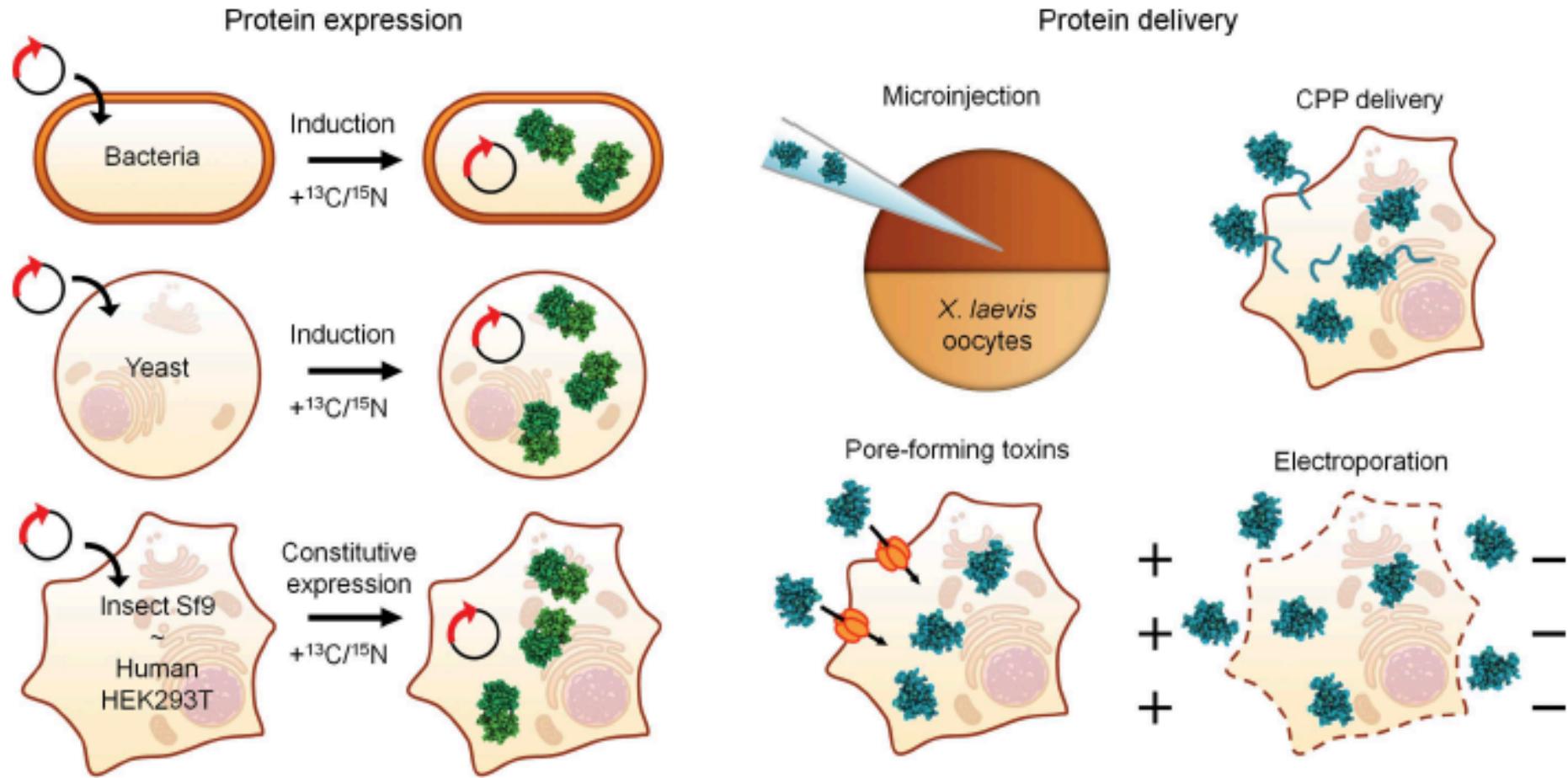
Combinatorial triple-selective labeling as a tool to assist membrane protein backbone resonance assignment

Frank Löhr · Sina Reckel · Mikhail Karbyshev ·
Peter J. Connolly · Norzehan Abdul-Manan ·
Frank Bernhard · Jonathan M. Moore · Volker Dötsch

J Biomol NMR (2012)

Amino acid type	Samples		
	1	2	3
Leucine	$^{13}\text{C}/^{15}\text{N}$	$1-\text{}^{13}\text{C}$	$1-\text{}^{13}\text{C}$
Valine	$1-\text{}^{13}\text{C}$	$^{13}\text{C}/^{15}\text{N}$	$^{13}\text{C}/^{15}\text{N}$
Isoleucine			$^{13}\text{C}/^{15}\text{N}$
Methionine	^{15}N		
Lysine		^{15}N	
Phenylalanine			^{15}N
Arginine	^{15}N	^{15}N	
Tyrosine	^{15}N	$1-\text{}^{13}\text{C}$	^{15}N
Alanine		^{15}N	^{15}N
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Aspartate			$1-\text{}^{13}\text{C}$

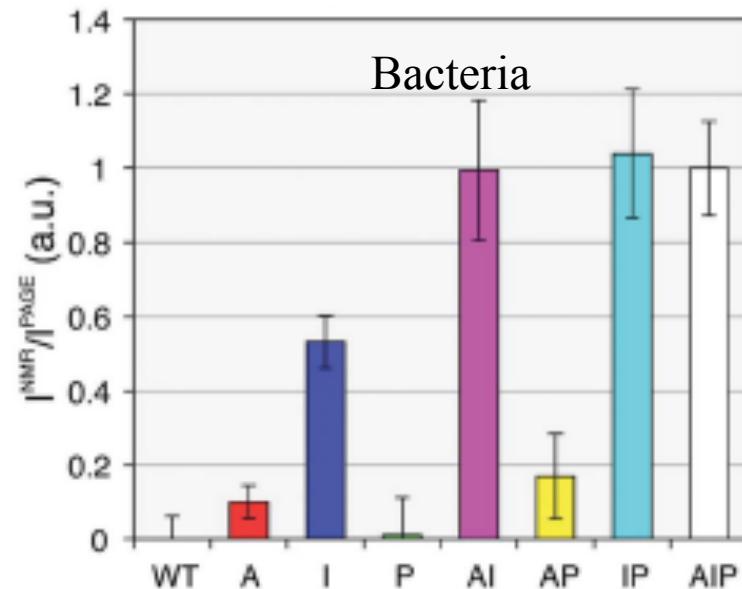
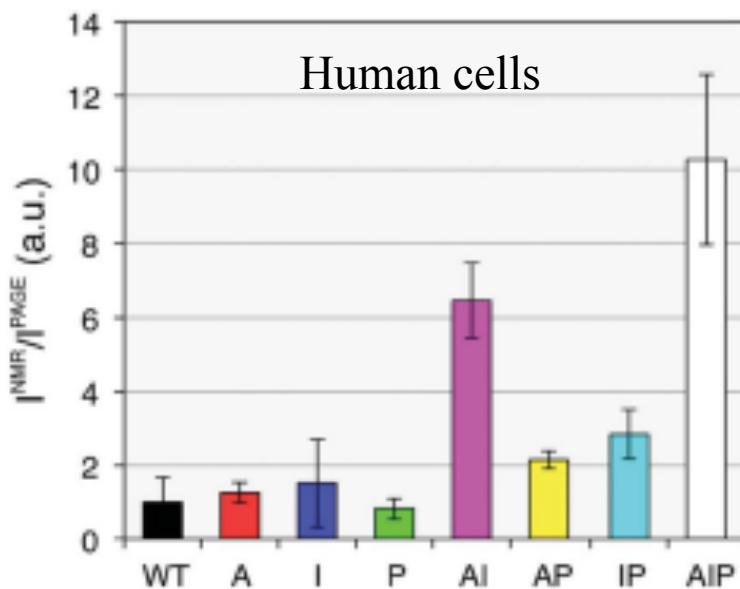
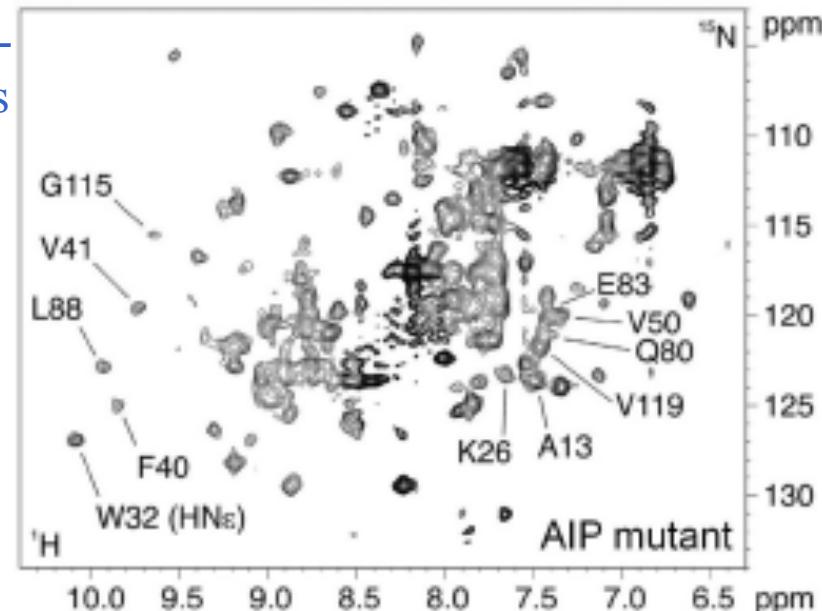
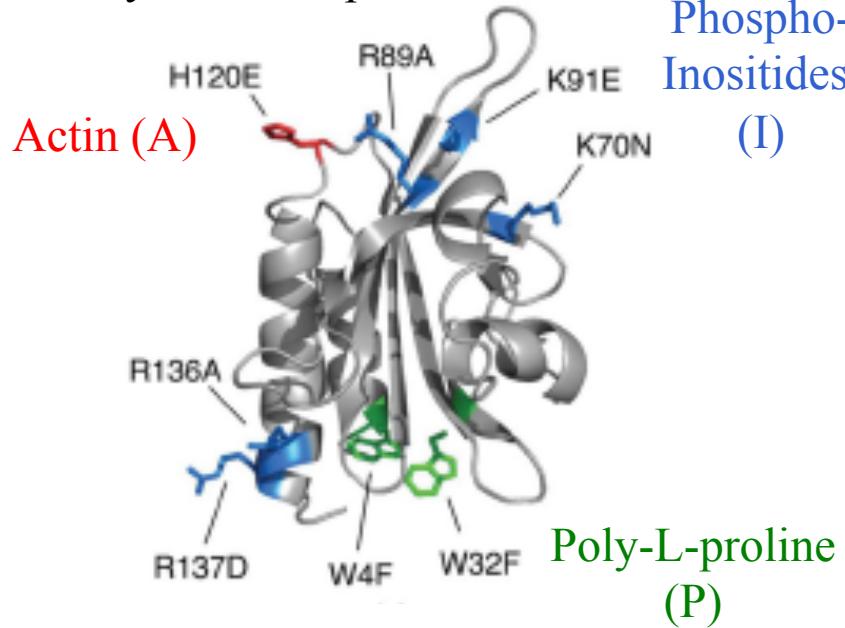
In-cell NMR: schematic overview of different approaches



Deciphering interaction networks in cell

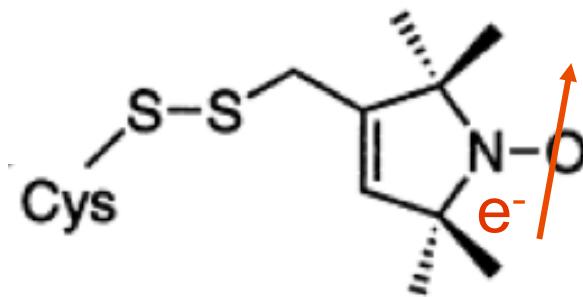
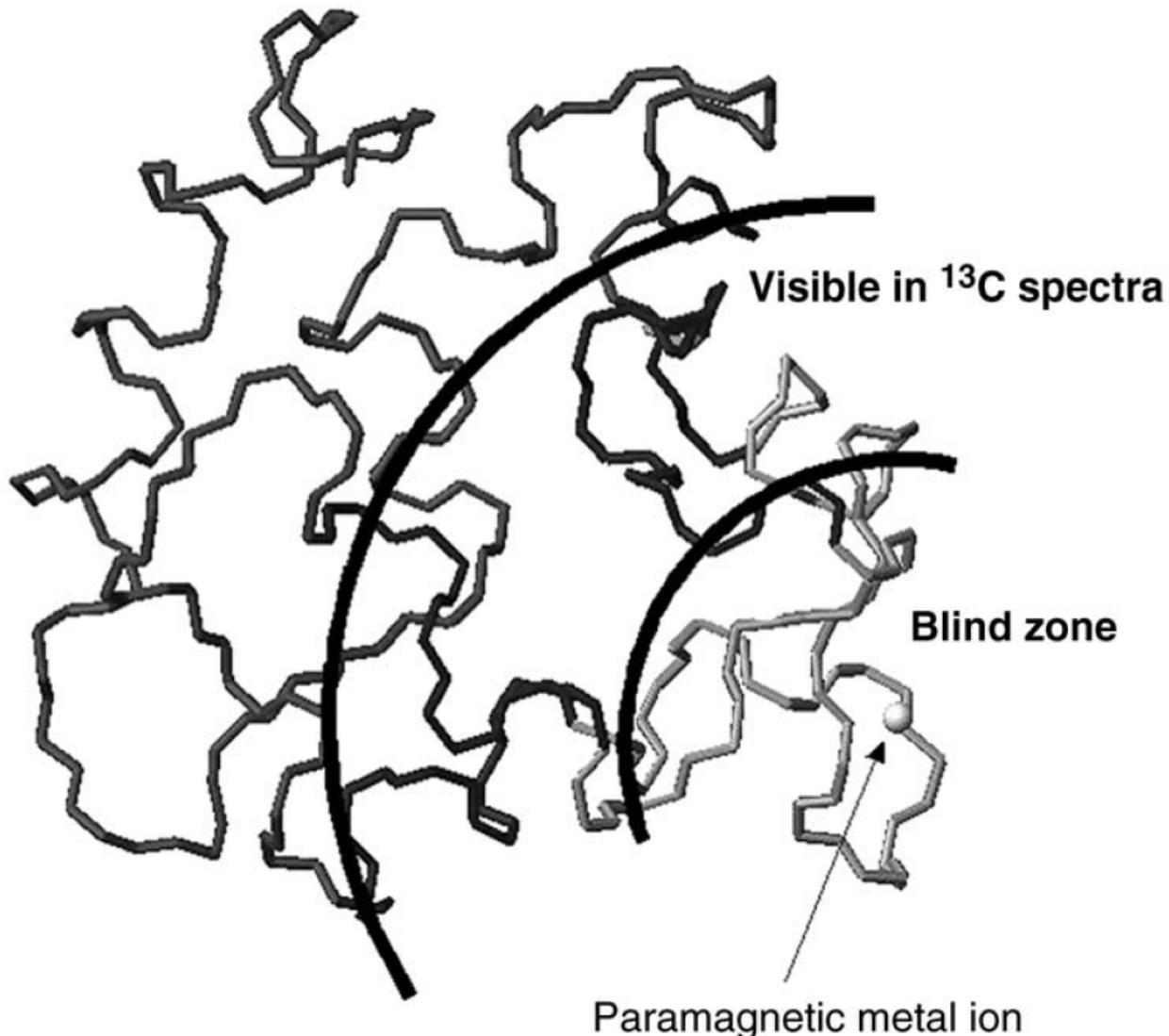
Barbieri et al., Sci. Report 2015, 14456

Human cytoskeletal profilin 1: Pfn1

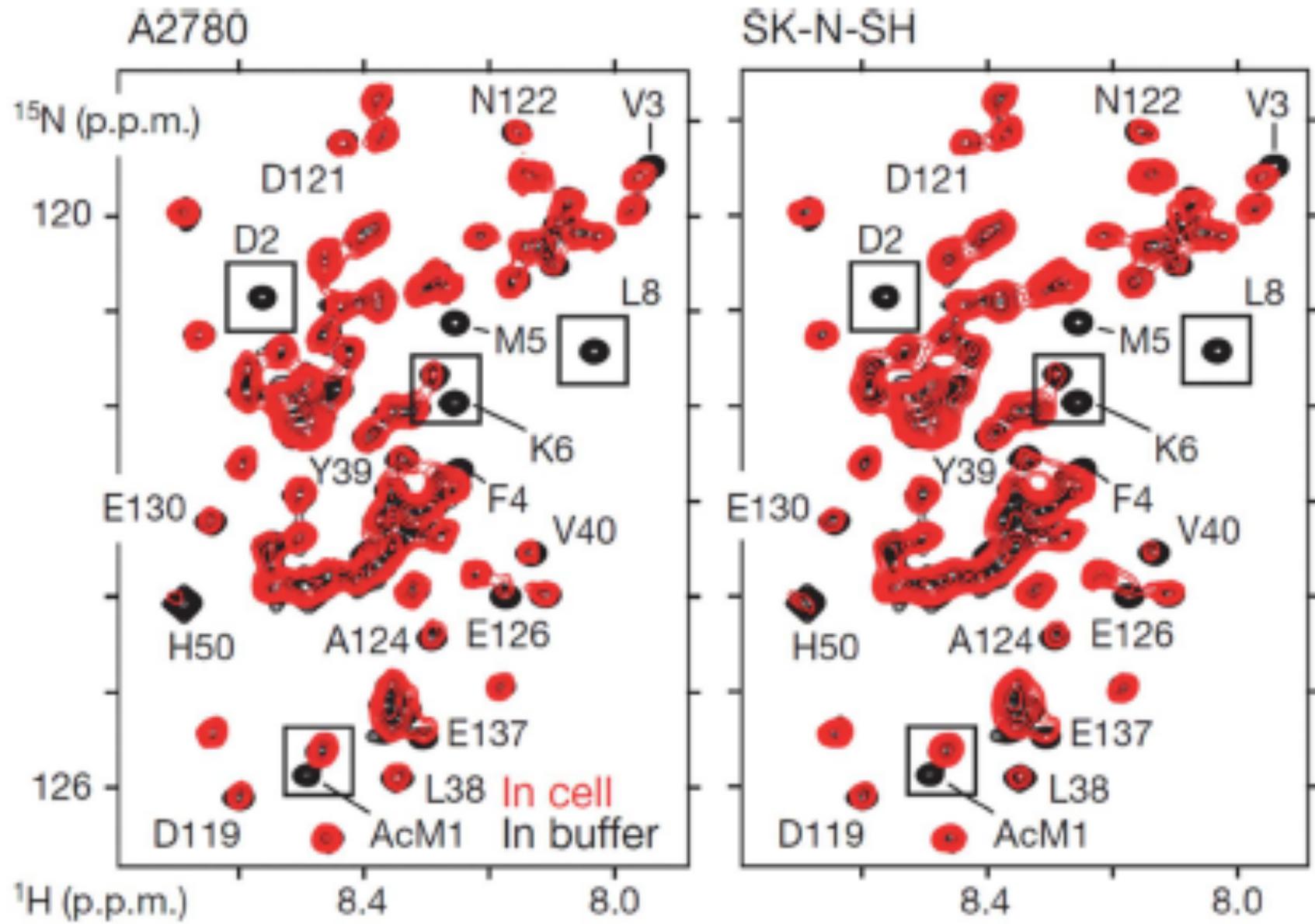


Effects of a paramagnetic tag on ^1H and ^{13}C spectra

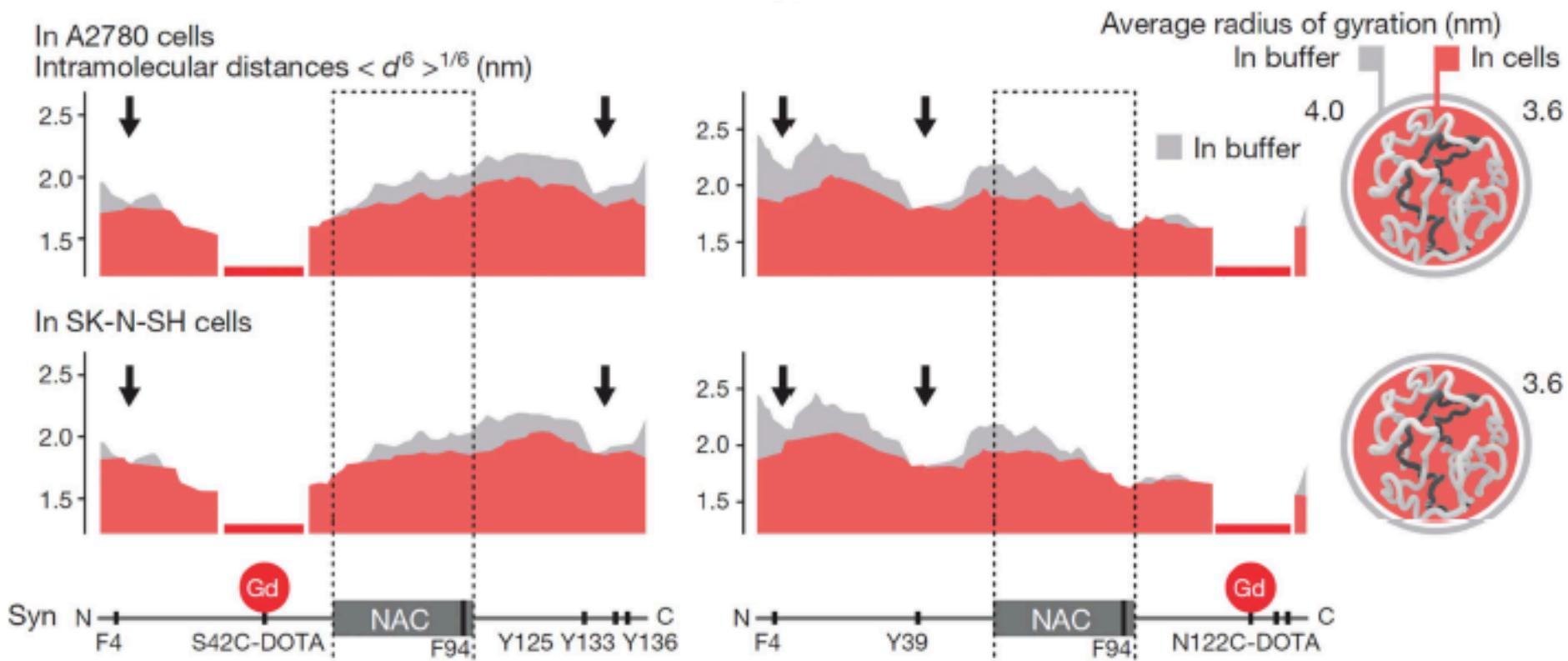
Visible in ^1H and ^{13}C spectra



Comparison of α -synuclein in different cell lines and *in vitro*



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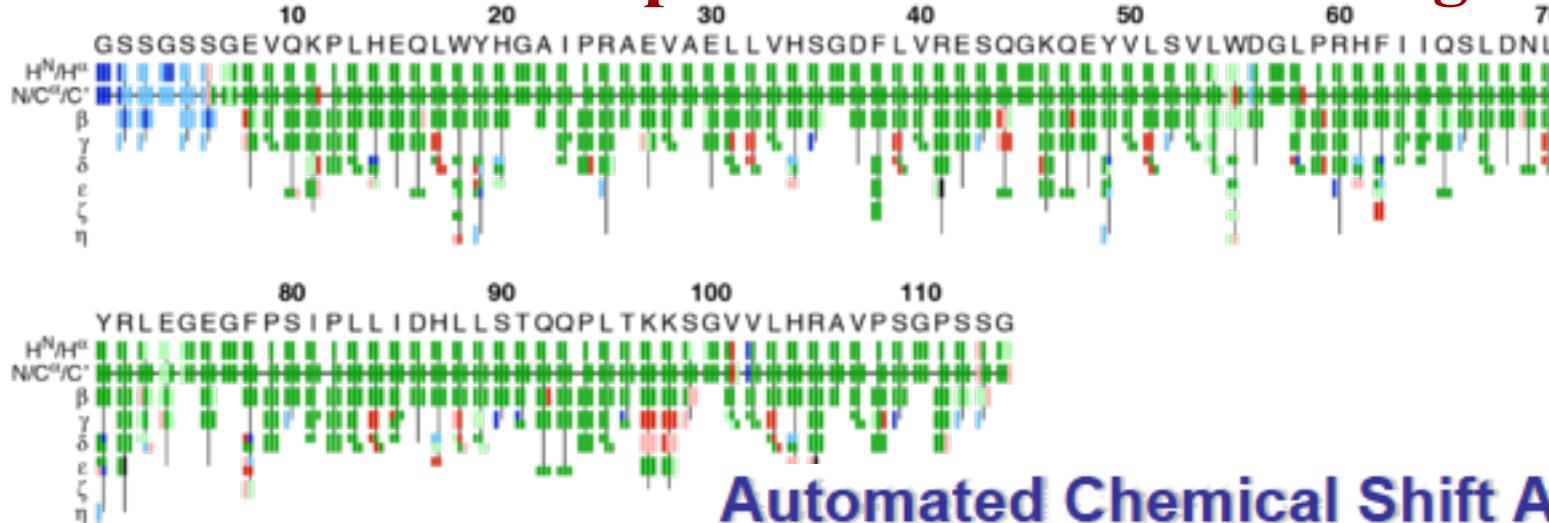
Technological innovations

Numerical processing:

- Filtering
- Data management and integration
- Structure calculation software



Software development for automatic assignment



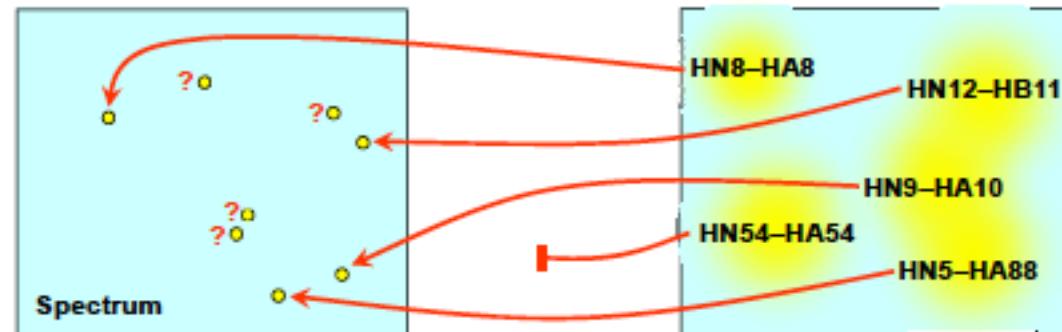
Automated Chemical Shift Assignment

Observed peaks

Position known
Assignment unknown

Expected peaks

Assignment known
Position known only approximately



Assignment = Find mapping between expected and observed peaks.

Score for assignment

- Presence of expected peaks
- Positional alignment of peaks assigned to the same atom
- Normality of assigned resonance frequencies

Optimization of assignment

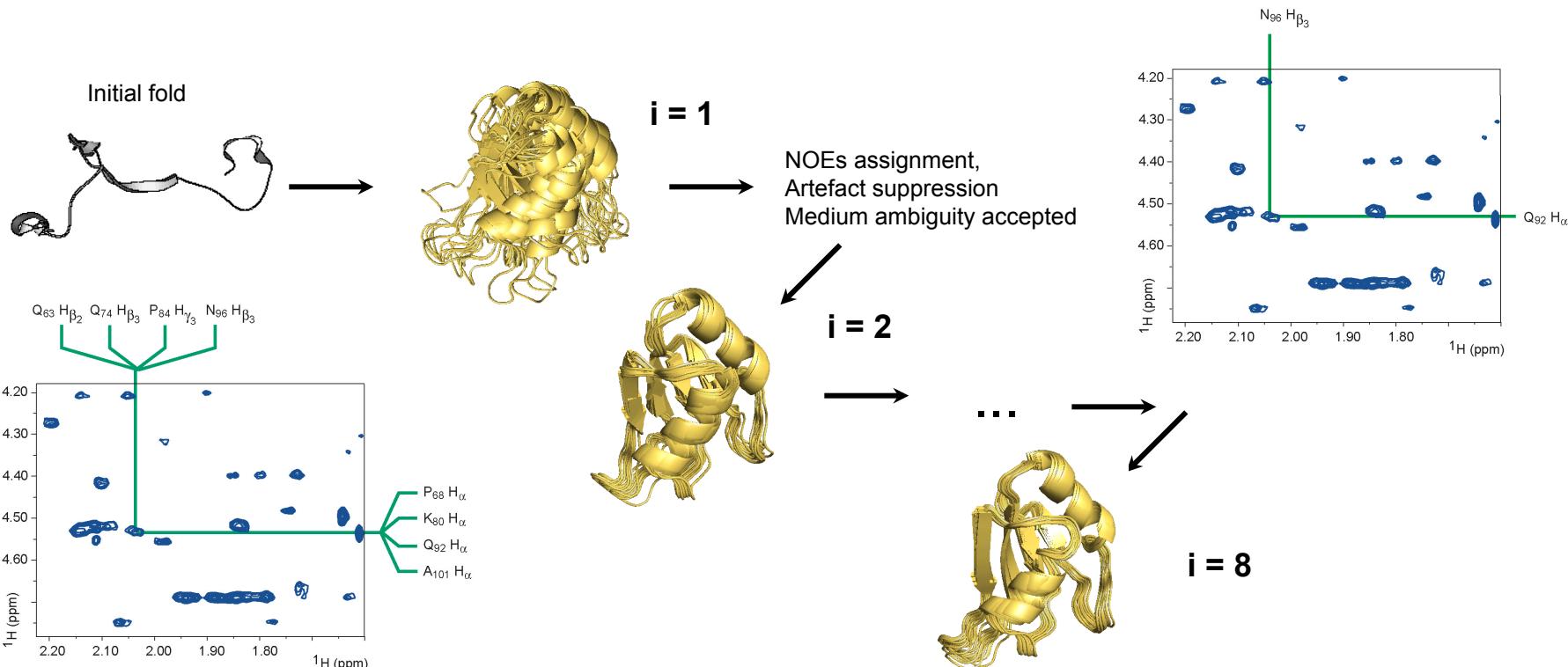
Genetic algorithm combined with local optimization

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Christian Bartels et al.
J. Comp. Chem. 18, 139–149 (1997)
J. Biomol. NMR 7, 207–213 (1996)

Development of structure calculation protocols

Incorporation of ambiguous distance restraints in iterative process protocols => M. Nilges, T. Herrmann

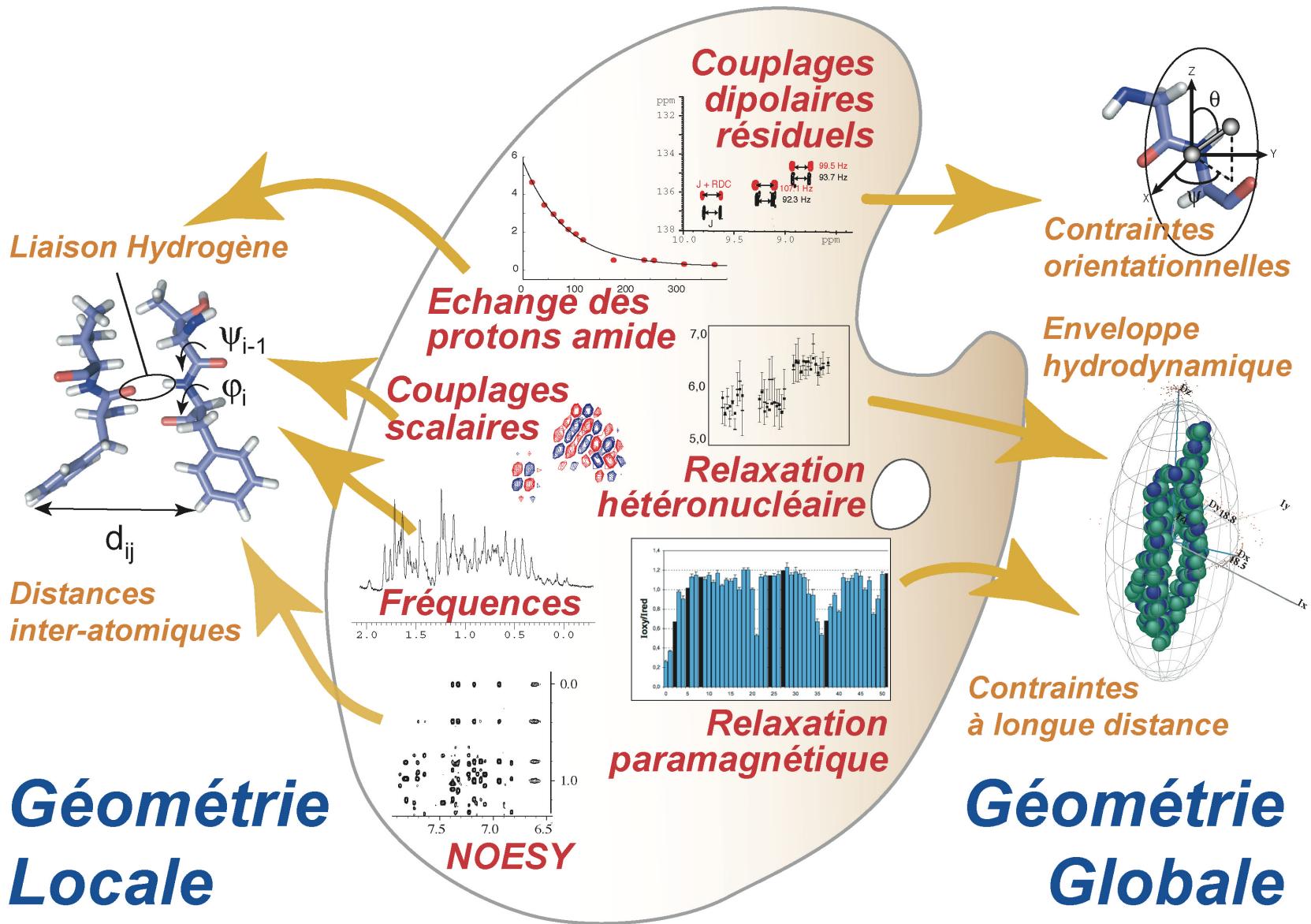


Software
ARIA, UNIO

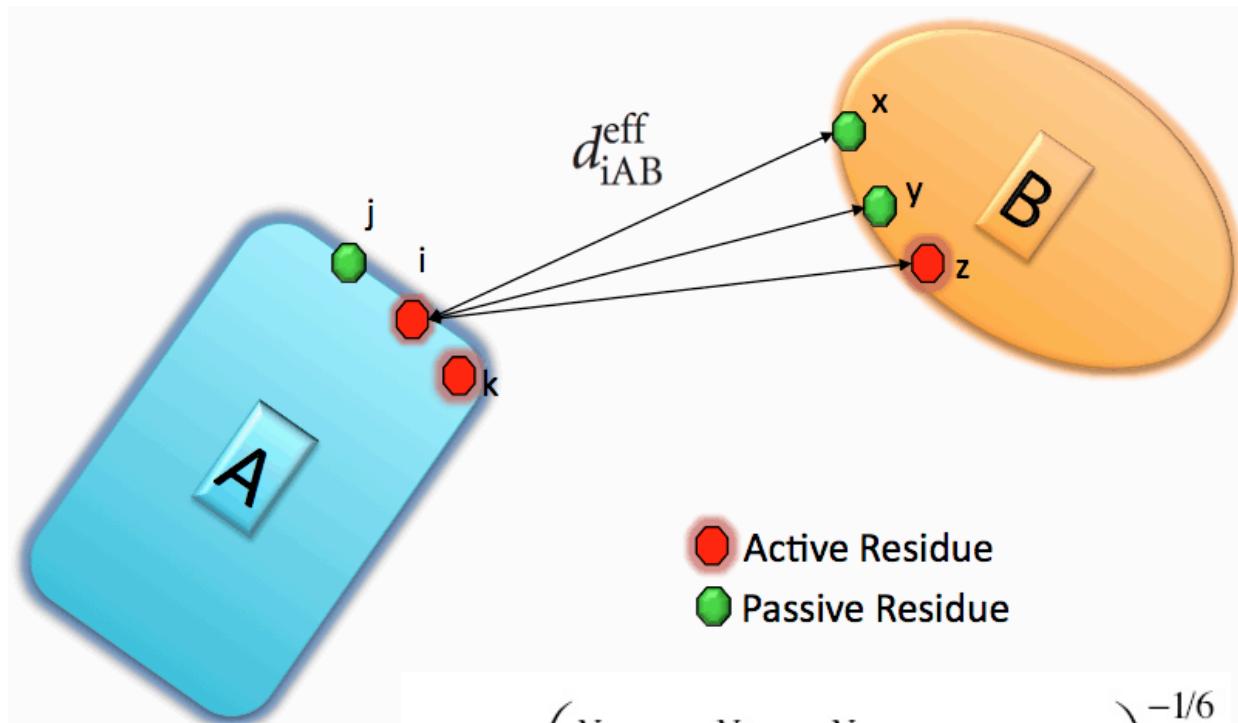
Rieping W., Habeck M., Bardiaux B., Bernard A., Malliavin T.E., Nilges M. (2007) ARIA2: automated NOE assignment and data integration in NMR structure calculation. Bioinformatics 23:381-382.

Volk, J.; Herrmann, T.; Wüthrich, K. J. Biomol.NMR. 2008, 41, 127-138..

Many structural parameters

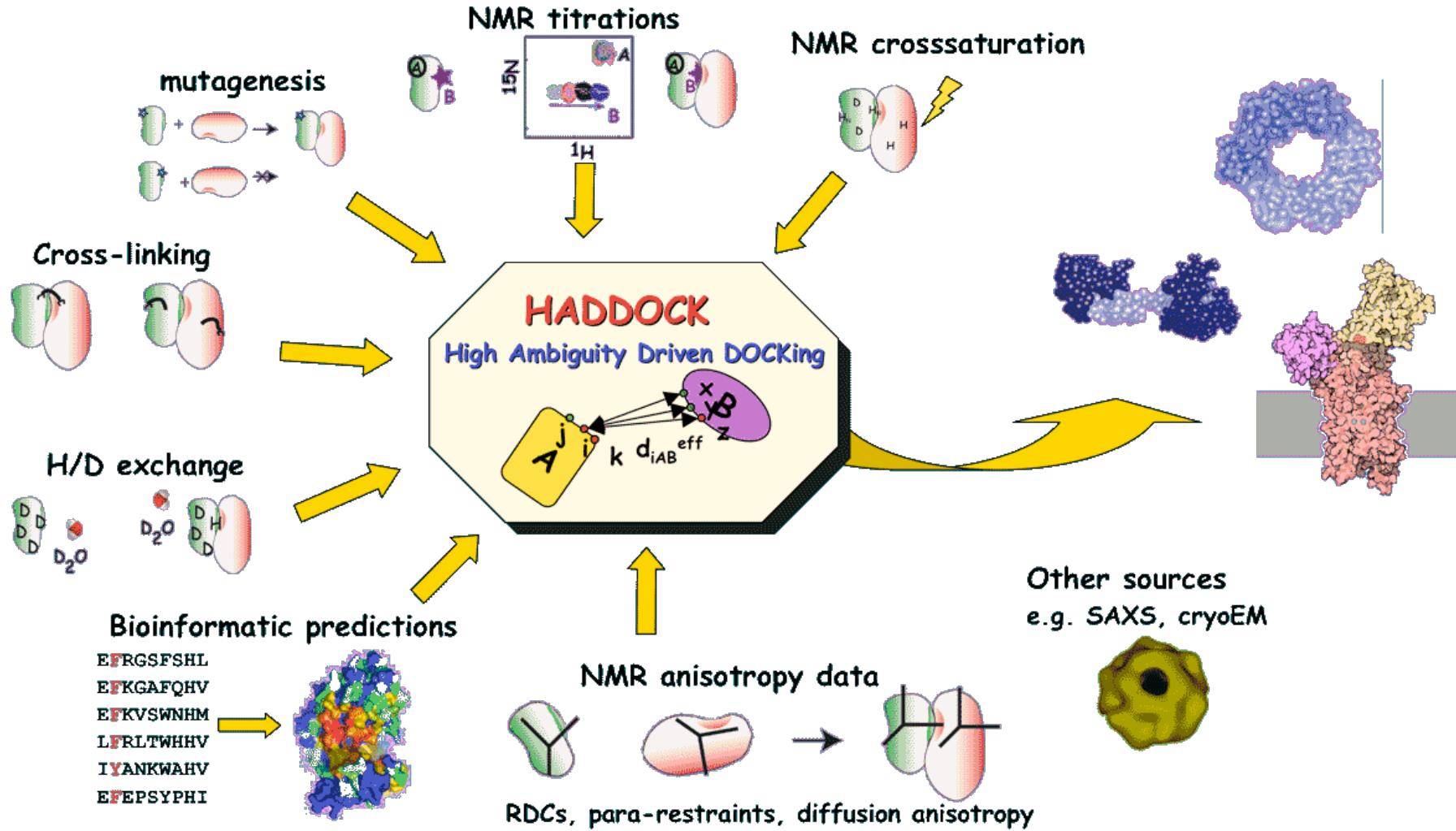


Use of Ambiguous Interaction Restraints for soft docking



$$d_{iAB}^{\text{eff}} = \left(\sum_{m_{iA}=1}^{N_{\text{Atom}}} \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\text{resB}}} \sum_{n_{kB}=1}^{N_{\text{Batom}}} \frac{1}{d_{m_{iA}n_{kB}}^6} \right)^{-1/6}$$

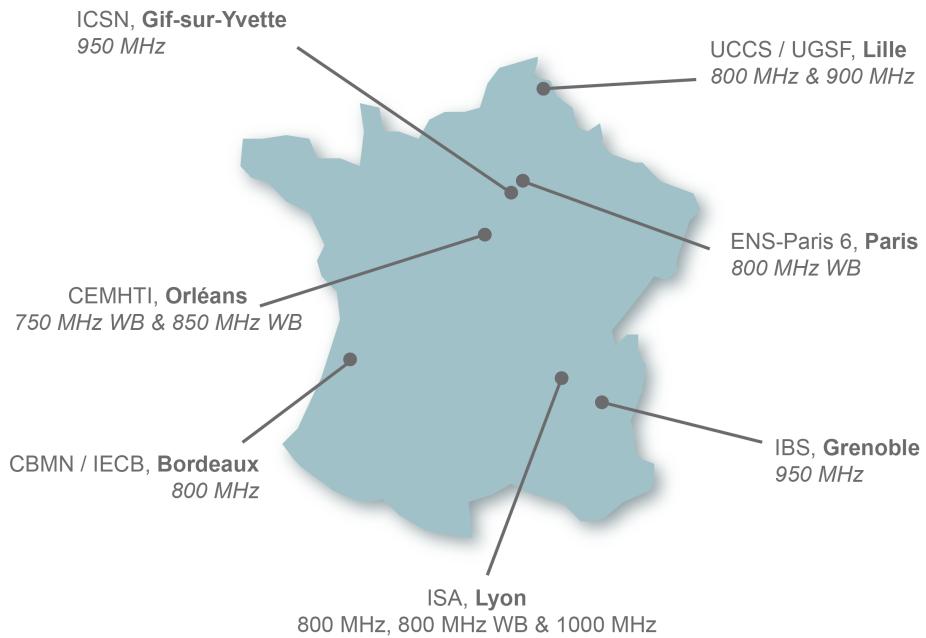
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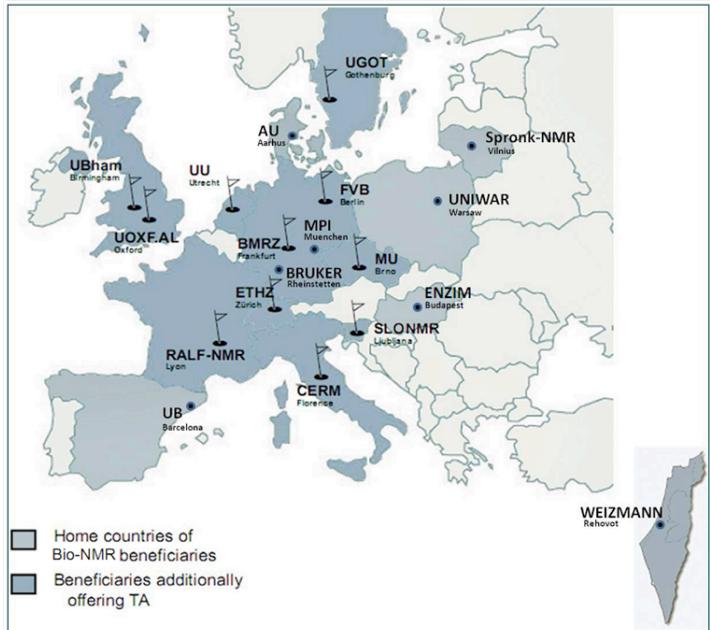
High-field NMR facility @ IBS Grenoble

National users



~ 100 access days/year

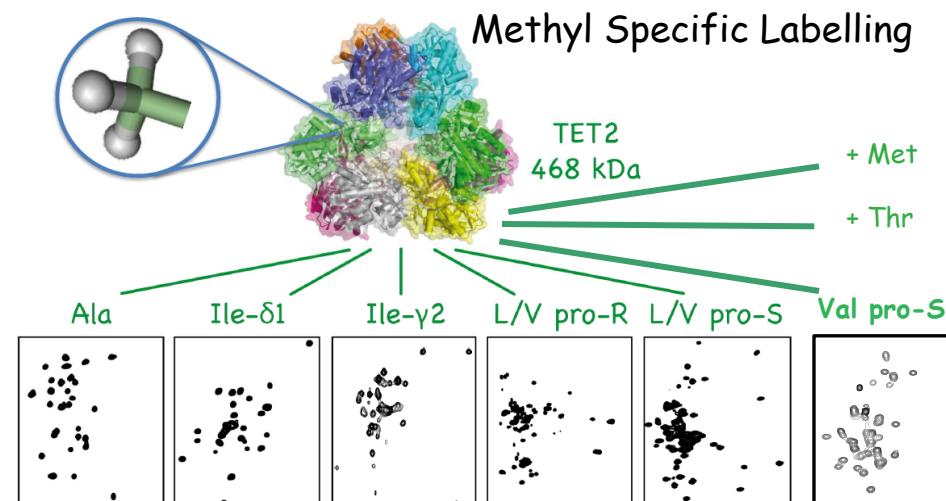
European users



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Isotopic Labelling Platform@ IBS Grenoble

- E. Coli Overexpression
- Optimisation in D₂O
- Uniform labelling ²H, ¹³C, ¹⁵N
- Specific Labelling
- Users access program:



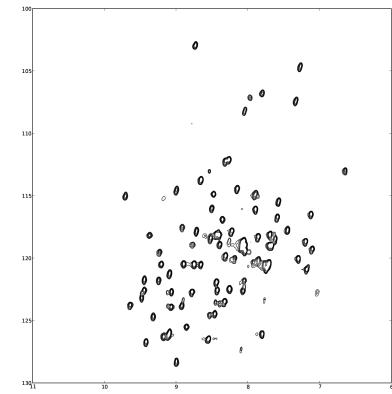


Cell-Free Platform @ IBS

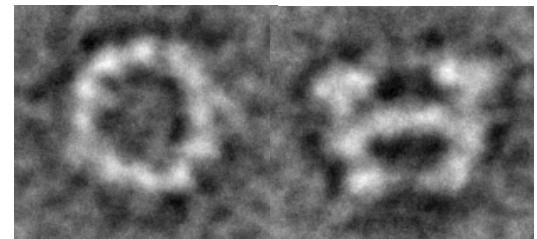
- In vitro Expression
- Large scale production > 1 mg
- Soluble and membrane proteins
- RNAs Production
- Coexpression, large assemblies
- Isotopic Labelling ^2H , ^{13}C , ^{15}N
- Users access programs :



RNase free wetlab



Isotopic labelling



Large assembly



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- › New generation of therapeutics

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