



Full wwPDB X-ray Structure Validation Report ⓘ

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The following versions of software and data (see [references ⓘ](#)) were used in the production of this report:

MolProbity	:	4-5-2 with Phenix2.0
Xtriage (Phenix)	:	2.0
EDS	:	3.0
Percentile statistics	:	20250101.v01 (using entries in the PDB archive January 1st 2025)
CCP4	:	9.0.010 (Gargrove)
Density-Fitness	:	1.0.12
Ideal geometry (proteins)	:	Engh & Huber (2001)
Ideal geometry (DNA, RNA)	:	Parkinson et al. (1996)
Validation Pipeline (wwPDB-VP)	:	2.49

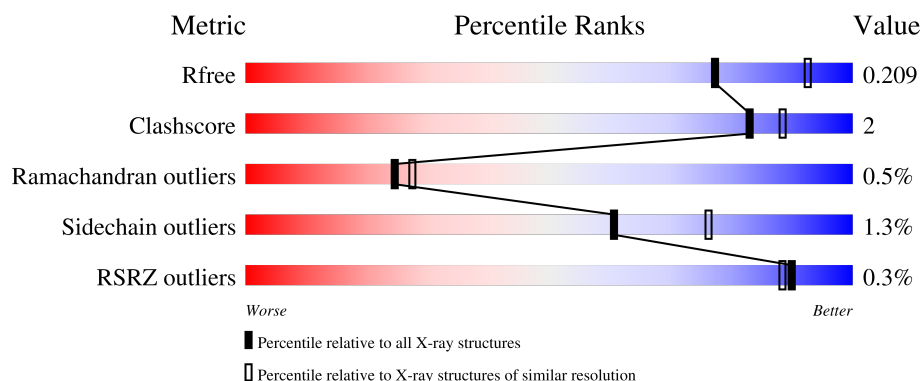
1 Overall quality at a glance

The following experimental techniques were used to determine the structure:

X-RAY DIFFRACTION

The reported resolution of this entry is 2.20 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)	Similar resolution (#Entries, resolution range(Å))
R_{free}	180053	6164 (2.20-2.20)
Clashscore	190562	6851 (2.20-2.20)
Ramachandran outliers	187476	6768 (2.20-2.20)
Sidechain outliers	187428	6769 (2.20-2.20)
RSRZ outliers	180081	6166 (2.20-2.20)

The table below summarises the geometric issues observed across the polymeric chains and their fit to the electron density. The red, orange, yellow and green segments of the lower 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 $\leq 5\%$. The upper red bar (where present) indicates the fraction of residues that have poor fit to the electron density. The numeric value is given above the bar.

Mol	Chain	Length	Quality of chain
1	A	261	95%
1	B	261	91% 8%
1	C	261	93% 7%

2 Entry composition [i](#)

There are 4 unique types of molecules in this entry. The entry contains 6789 atoms, of which 0 are hydrogens and 0 are deuteriums.

In the tables below, the ZeroOcc column contains the number of atoms modelled with zero occupancy, the AltConf column contains the number of residues with at least one atom in alternate conformation and the Trace column contains the number of residues modelled with at most 2 atoms.

- Molecule 1 is a protein called N-acylhomoserine lactonase.

Mol	Chain	Residues	Atoms					ZeroOcc	AltConf	Trace
1	A	260	Total	C	N	O	S	0	0	0
			2056	1320	352	374	10			
1	B	259	Total	C	N	O	S	0	0	0
			2051	1317	351	373	10			
1	C	260	Total	C	N	O	S	0	0	0
			2056	1320	352	374	10			

- Molecule 2 is NICKEL (II) ION (CCD ID: NI) (formula: Ni) (labeled as "Ligand of Interest" by depositor).

Mol	Chain	Residues	Atoms		ZeroOcc	AltConf
2	A	2	Total	Ni	0	0
			2	2		
2	B	2	Total	Ni	0	0
			2	2		
2	C	2	Total	Ni	0	0
			2	2		

- Molecule 3 is MAGNESIUM ION (CCD ID: MG) (formula: Mg) (labeled as "Ligand of Interest" by depositor).

Mol	Chain	Residues	Atoms		ZeroOcc	AltConf
3	C	1	Total	Mg	0	0
			1	1		

- Molecule 4 is water.

Mol	Chain	Residues	Atoms		ZeroOcc	AltConf
4	A	240	Total	O	0	0
			240	240		
4	B	170	Total	O	0	0
			170	170		

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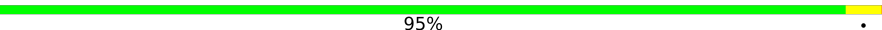
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Mol	Chain	Residues	Atoms		ZeroOcc	AltConf
4	C	209	Total 209	O 209	0	0

3 Residue-property plots [i](#)

These plots are drawn for all protein, RNA, DNA and oligosaccharide chains in the entry. The first graphic for a chain summarises the proportions of the various outlier classes displayed in the second graphic. The second graphic shows the sequence view annotated by issues in geometry and electron density. Residues are color-coded according to the number of geometric quality criteria for which they contain at least one outlier: green = 0, yellow = 1, orange = 2 and red = 3 or more. A red dot above a residue indicates a poor fit to the electron density ($RSRZ > 2$). Stretches of 2 or more consecutive residues without any outlier are shown as a green connector. Residues present in the sample, but not in the model, are shown in grey.

- Molecule 1: N-acylhomoserine lactonase

Chain A:  95% ..



- Molecule 1: N-acylhomoserine lactonase

Chain B:  91% 8% .



- Molecule 1: N-acylhomoserine lactonase

Chain C:  93% 7%



4 Data and refinement statistics

Property	Value	Source
Space group	P 42 21 2	Depositor
Cell constants a, b, c, α , β , γ	143.14Å 143.14Å 85.05Å 90.00° 90.00° 90.00°	Depositor
Resolution (Å)	19.98 – 2.20 19.98 – 2.20	Depositor EDS
% Data completeness (in resolution range)	99.5 (19.98-2.20) 99.3 (19.98-2.20)	Depositor EDS
R_{merge}	0.13	Depositor
R_{sym}	(Not available)	Depositor
$\langle I/\sigma(I) \rangle$ ¹	2.32 (at 2.19Å)	Xtriage
Refinement program	PHENIX (1.20.1_4487: ???)	Depositor
R, R_{free}	0.164 , 0.210 0.165 , 0.209	Depositor DCC
R_{free} test set	2000 reflections (4.41%)	wwPDB-VP
Wilson B-factor (Å ²)	22.1	Xtriage
Anisotropy	0.014	Xtriage
Bulk solvent k_{sol} (e/Å ³), B_{sol} (Å ²)	0.35 , 36.5	EDS
L-test for twinning ²	$\langle L \rangle = 0.49$, $\langle L^2 \rangle = 0.33$	Xtriage
Estimated twinning fraction	No twinning to report.	Xtriage
F_o, F_c correlation	0.95	EDS
Total number of atoms	6789	wwPDB-VP
Average B, all atoms (Å ²)	22.0	wwPDB-VP

Xtriage's analysis on translational NCS is as follows: *The largest off-origin peak in the Patterson function is 3.41% of the height of the origin peak. No significant pseudotranslation is detected.*

¹Intensities estimated from amplitudes.

²Theoretical values of $\langle |L| \rangle$, $\langle L^2 \rangle$ for acentric reflections are 0.5, 0.333 respectively for untwinned datasets, and 0.375, 0.2 for perfectly twinned datasets.

5 Model quality

5.1 Standard geometry

Bond lengths and bond angles in the following residue types are not validated in this section: MG, NI

The Z score for a bond length (or angle) is the number of standard deviations the observed value is removed from the expected value. A bond length (or angle) with $|Z| > 5$ is considered an outlier worth inspection. RMSZ is the root-mean-square of all Z scores of the bond lengths (or angles).

Mol	Chain	Bond lengths		Bond angles	
		RMSZ	# Z >5	RMSZ	# Z >5
1	A	0.36	0/2125	0.57	0/2904
1	B	0.31	0/2120	0.55	0/2897
1	C	0.35	0/2125	0.55	0/2904
All	All	0.34	0/6370	0.56	0/8705

Chiral center outliers are detected by calculating the chiral volume of a chiral center and verifying if the center is modelled as a planar moiety or with the opposite hand. A planarity outlier is detected by checking planarity of atoms in a peptide group, atoms in a mainchain group or atoms of a sidechain that are expected to be planar.

Mol	Chain	#Chirality outliers	#Planarity outliers
1	A	0	2

There are no bond length outliers.

There are no bond angle outliers.

There are no chirality outliers.

All (2) planarity outliers are listed below:

Mol	Chain	Res	Type	Group
1	A	113	ARG	Sidechain
1	A	256	ALA	Peptide

5.2 Too-close contacts

In the following table, the Non-H and H(model) columns list the number of non-hydrogen atoms and hydrogen atoms in the chain respectively. The H(added) column lists the number of hydrogen atoms added and optimized by MolProbity. The Clashes column lists the number of clashes within the asymmetric unit, whereas Symm-Clashes lists symmetry-related clashes.

Mol	Chain	Non-H	H(model)	H(added)	Clashes	Symm-Clashes
1	A	2056	0	1950	4	0
1	B	2051	0	1945	12	0
1	C	2056	0	1950	13	0
2	A	2	0	0	0	0
2	B	2	0	0	0	0
2	C	2	0	0	0	0
3	C	1	0	0	0	0
4	A	240	0	0	1	0
4	B	170	0	0	0	0
4	C	209	0	0	6	0
All	All	6789	0	5845	29	0

The all-atom clashscore is defined as the number of clashes found per 1000 atoms (including hydrogen atoms). The all-atom clashscore for this structure is 2.

All (29) close contacts within the same asymmetric unit are listed below, sorted by their clash magnitude.

Atom-1	Atom-2	Interatomic distance (Å)	Clash overlap (Å)
1:C:2:ALA:N	4:C:402:HOH:O	2.23	0.72
1:B:8:MET:HE3	1:B:37:TYR:HE1	1.62	0.65
1:C:3:ALA:HB1	1:C:190:PRO:HG2	1.81	0.62
1:A:125:GLU:HB2	1:A:181:GLY:HA3	1.83	0.60
1:C:2:ALA:O	1:C:42:PRO:HG3	2.02	0.59
1:B:8:MET:HE2	1:B:250:TRP:HZ3	1.73	0.54
1:B:8:MET:HE2	1:B:250:TRP:CZ3	2.46	0.50
1:B:8:MET:HE3	1:B:37:TYR:CE1	2.44	0.49
1:B:19:CYS:HA	1:B:22:LYS:O	2.15	0.47
1:B:78:GLU:H	1:B:78:GLU:CD	2.22	0.46
1:B:125:GLU:HB2	1:B:181:GLY:HA3	1.96	0.46
1:B:4:PRO:HA	1:B:40:THR:O	2.16	0.45
1:C:142:ARG:CZ	4:C:418:HOH:O	2.64	0.45
1:C:254:ARG:NH2	4:C:414:HOH:O	2.50	0.45
1:B:77:GLU:HG3	1:B:83:GLN:OE1	2.17	0.43
1:C:178:HIS:HE1	1:C:203:TYR:OH	2.01	0.43
1:C:254:ARG:HG3	1:C:260:TYR:CZ	2.54	0.43
1:C:147:ARG:NH2	4:C:410:HOH:O	2.52	0.42
1:C:19:CYS:HA	1:C:22:LYS:O	2.19	0.42
1:B:256:ALA:HB1	1:B:257:PRO:CD	2.49	0.42
1:A:146:ASP:OD2	4:A:401:HOH:O	2.22	0.41
1:C:83:GLN:HG3	4:C:535:HOH:O	2.20	0.41
1:C:125:GLU:HB2	1:C:181:GLY:HA3	2.02	0.41
1:C:4:PRO:HA	1:C:40:THR:O	2.21	0.41

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Atom-1	Atom-2	Interatomic distance (Å)	Clash overlap (Å)
1:B:104:HIS:CE1	1:B:216:PHE:HE2	2.38	0.41
1:B:59:ASP:OD2	1:B:62:GLY:HA3	2.21	0.40
1:A:19:CYS:HA	1:A:22:LYS:O	2.22	0.40
1:A:4:PRO:HA	1:A:40:THR:O	2.21	0.40
1:C:142:ARG:NH2	4:C:418:HOH:O	2.54	0.40

There are no symmetry-related clashes.

5.3 Torsion angles [i](#)

5.3.1 Protein backbone [i](#)

In the following table, the Percentiles column shows the percent Ramachandran outliers of the chain as a percentile score with respect to all X-ray entries followed by that with respect to entries of similar resolution.

The Analysed column shows the number of residues for which the backbone conformation was analysed, and the total number of residues.

Mol	Chain	Analysed	Favoured	Allowed	Outliers	Percentiles	
1	A	258/261 (99%)	250 (97%)	7 (3%)	1 (0%)	30	34
1	B	257/261 (98%)	250 (97%)	5 (2%)	2 (1%)	16	16
1	C	258/261 (99%)	253 (98%)	4 (2%)	1 (0%)	30	34
All	All	773/783 (99%)	753 (97%)	16 (2%)	4 (0%)	24	27

All (4) Ramachandran outliers are listed below:

Mol	Chain	Res	Type
1	B	256	ALA
1	A	199	VAL
1	B	199	VAL
1	C	199	VAL

5.3.2 Protein sidechains [i](#)

In the following table, the Percentiles column shows the percent sidechain outliers of the chain as a percentile score with respect to all X-ray entries followed by that with respect to entries of similar resolution.

The Analysed column shows the number of residues for which the sidechain conformation was

analysed, and the total number of residues.

Mol	Chain	Analysed	Rotameric	Outliers	Percentiles	
1	A	212/213 (100%)	208 (98%)	4 (2%)	50	66
1	B	212/213 (100%)	209 (99%)	3 (1%)	59	75
1	C	212/213 (100%)	211 (100%)	1 (0%)	81	90
All	All	636/639 (100%)	628 (99%)	8 (1%)	61	76

All (8) residues with a non-rotameric sidechain are listed below:

Mol	Chain	Res	Type
1	A	105	LEU
1	A	113	ARG
1	A	168	ASP
1	A	199	VAL
1	B	69	SER
1	B	85	LEU
1	B	105	LEU
1	C	199	VAL

Sometimes sidechains can be flipped to improve hydrogen bonding and reduce clashes. All (3) such sidechains are listed below:

Mol	Chain	Res	Type
1	A	153	HIS
1	B	116	ASN
1	C	153	HIS

5.3.3 RNA [i](#)

There are no RNA molecules in this entry.

5.4 Non-standard residues in protein, DNA, RNA chains [i](#)

There are no non-standard protein/DNA/RNA residues in this entry.

5.5 Carbohydrates [i](#)

There are no oligosaccharides in this entry.

5.6 Ligand geometry

Of 7 ligands modelled in this entry, 7 are monoatomic - leaving 0 for Mogul analysis.

There are no bond length outliers.

There are no bond angle outliers.

There are no chirality outliers.

There are no torsion outliers.

There are no ring outliers.

No monomer is involved in short contacts.

5.7 Other polymers

There are no such residues in this entry.

5.8 Polymer linkage issues

There are no chain breaks in this entry.

6 Fit of model and data [i](#)

6.1 Protein, DNA and RNA chains [i](#)

In the following table, the column labelled ‘#RSRZ > 2’ contains the number (and percentage) of RSRZ outliers, followed by percent RSRZ outliers for the chain as percentile scores relative to all X-ray entries and entries of similar resolution. The OWAB column contains the minimum, median, 95th percentile and maximum values of the occupancy-weighted average B-factor per residue. The column labelled ‘Q < 0.9’ lists the number of (and percentage) of residues with an average occupancy less than 0.9.

Mol	Chain	Analysed	<RSRZ>	#RSRZ>2	OWAB(Å ²)	Q<0.9
1	A	260/261 (99%)	-0.74	1 (0%) 88 87	12, 18, 31, 44	0
1	B	259/261 (99%)	-0.51	1 (0%) 88 87	13, 25, 39, 45	0
1	C	260/261 (99%)	-0.70	0 100 100	13, 20, 31, 45	0
All	All	779/783 (99%)	-0.65	2 (0%) 90 88	12, 21, 36, 45	0

All (2) RSRZ outliers are listed below:

Mol	Chain	Res	Type	RSRZ
1	B	256	ALA	2.9
1	A	158	HIS	2.5

6.2 Non-standard residues in protein, DNA, RNA chains [i](#)

There are no non-standard protein/DNA/RNA residues in this entry.

6.3 Carbohydrates [i](#)

There are no oligosaccharides in this entry.

6.4 Ligands [i](#)

In the following table, the Atoms column lists the number of modelled atoms in the group and the number defined in the chemical component dictionary. The B-factors column lists the minimum, median, 95th percentile and maximum values of B factors of atoms in the group. The column labelled ‘Q < 0.9’ lists the number of atoms with occupancy less than 0.9.

Mol	Type	Chain	Res	Atoms	RSCC	RSR	B-factors(Å ²)	Q<0.9
3	MG	C	303	1/1	0.84	0.20	30,30,30,30	0

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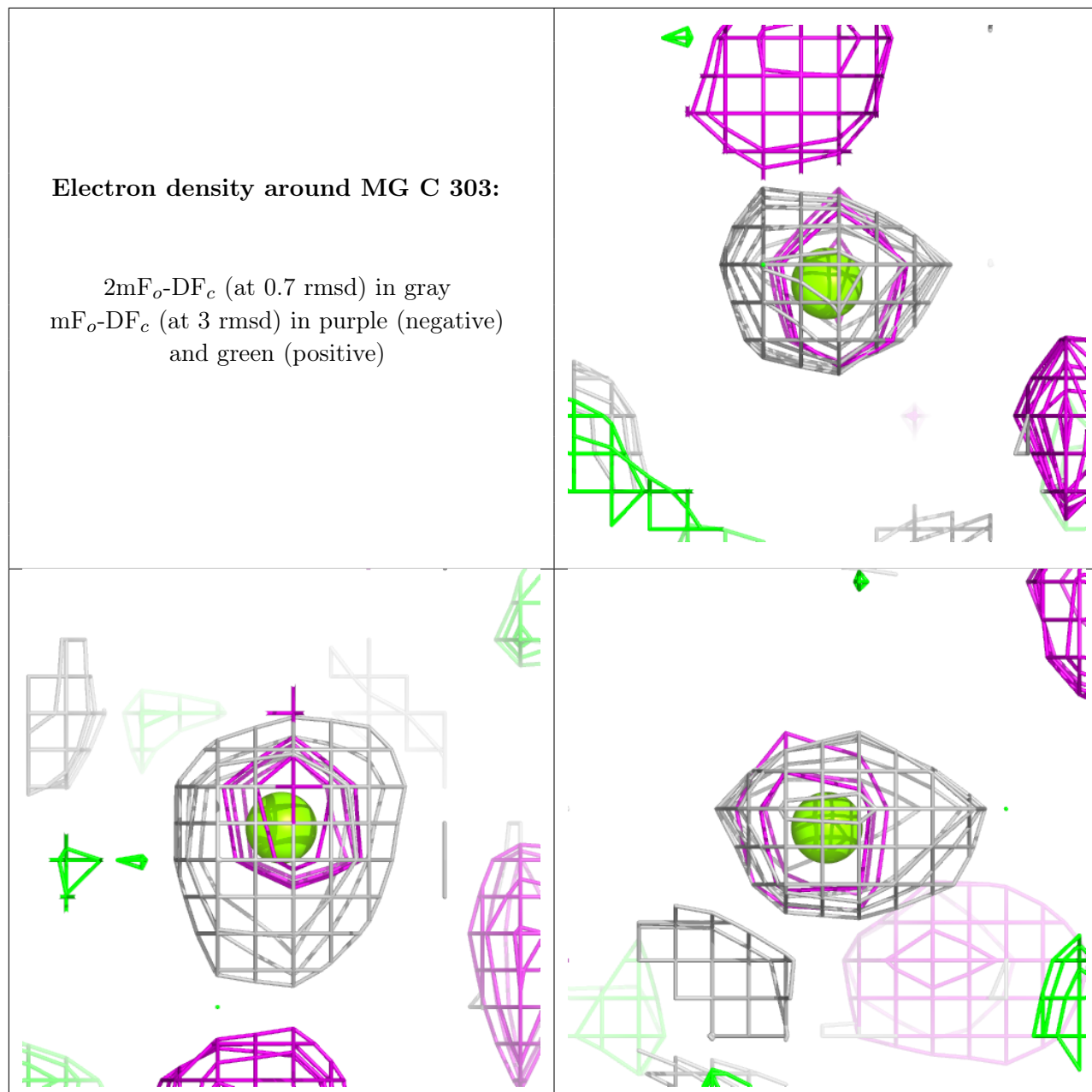
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Mol	Type	Chain	Res	Atoms	RSCC	RSR	B-factors($\text{\AA}^2$)	Q<0.9
2	NI	B	302	1/1	0.91	0.09	60,60,60,60	0
2	NI	B	301	1/1	0.98	0.05	32,32,32,32	0
2	NI	A	302	1/1	0.99	0.04	24,24,24,24	0
2	NI	C	301	1/1	0.99	0.04	31,31,31,31	0
2	NI	C	302	1/1	0.99	0.12	50,50,50,50	0
2	NI	A	301	1/1	0.99	0.12	54,54,54,54	0

The following is a graphical depiction of the model fit to experimental electron density of all instances of the Ligand of Interest. In addition, ligands with molecular weight > 250 and outliers as shown on the geometry validation Tables will also be included. Each fit is shown from different orientation to approximate a three-dimensional view.

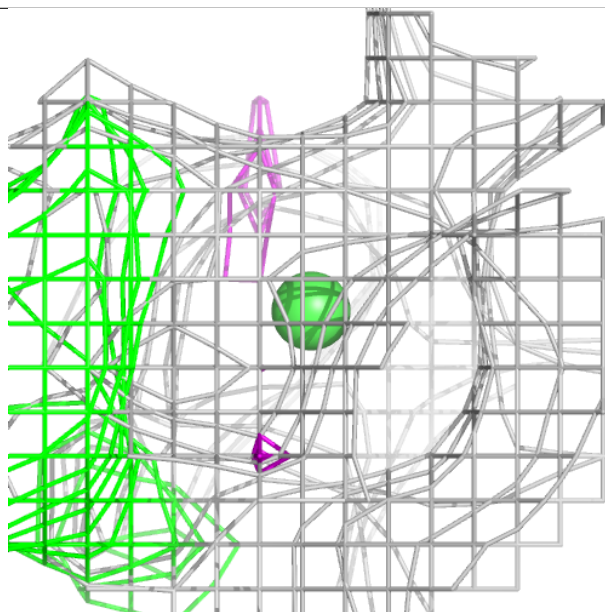
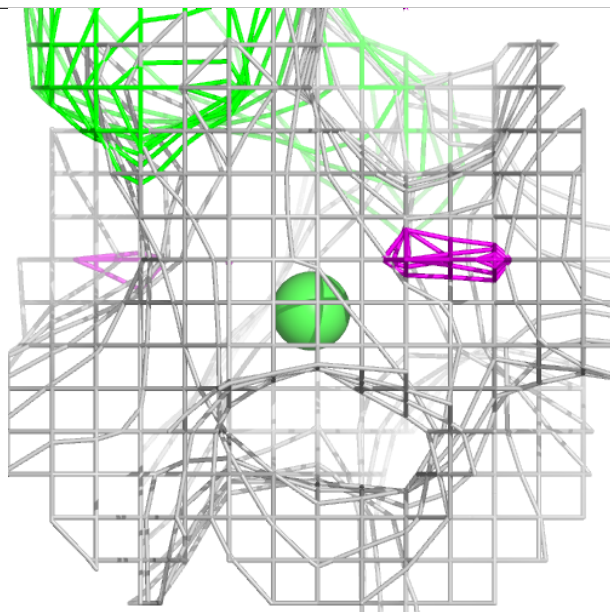
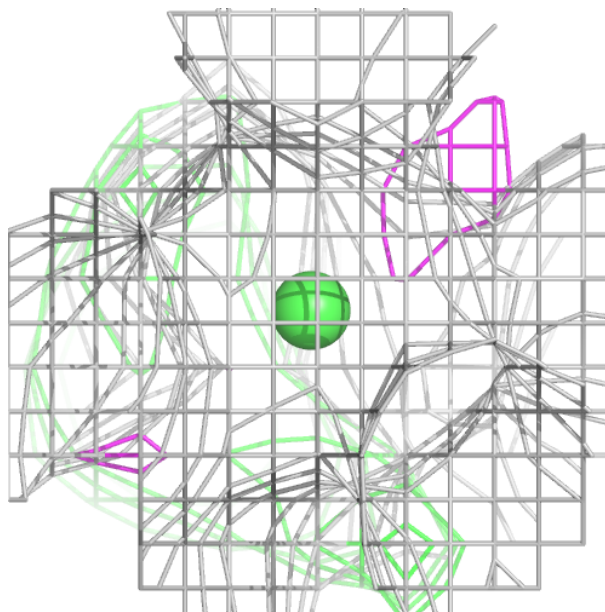
Electron density around MG C 303:

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and green (positive)



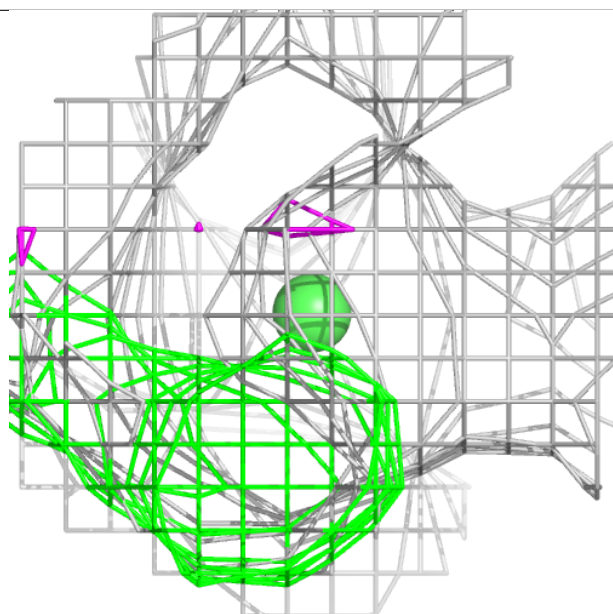
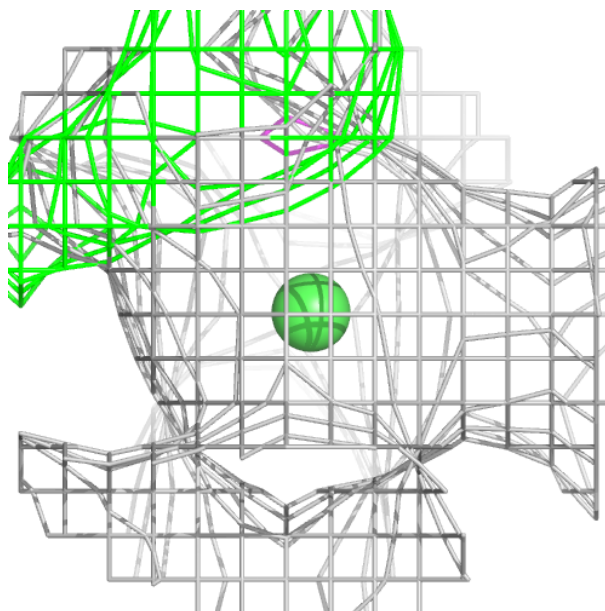
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and green (positive)



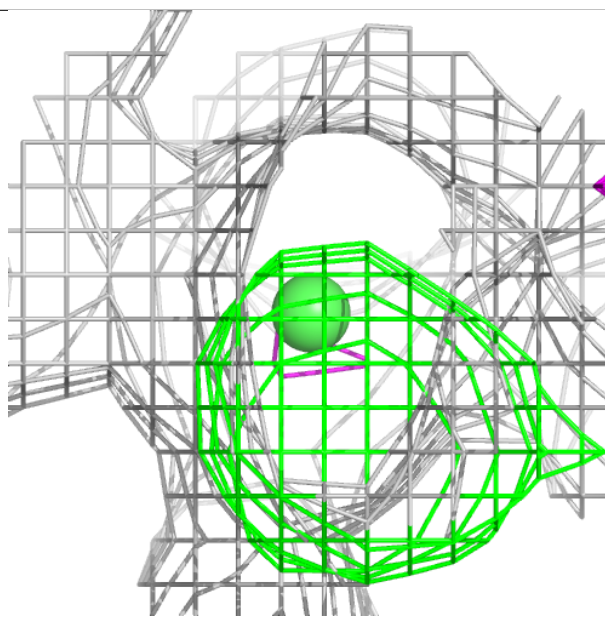
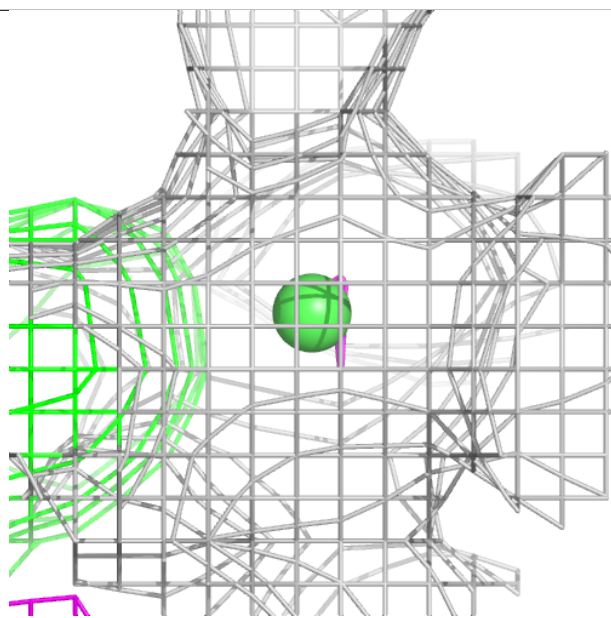
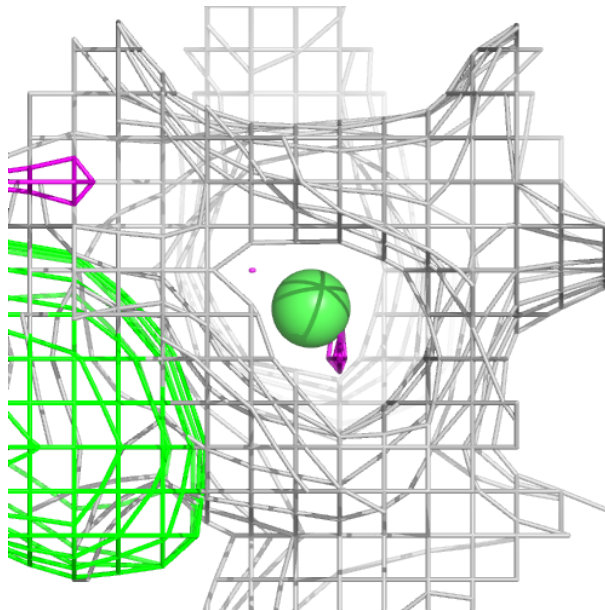
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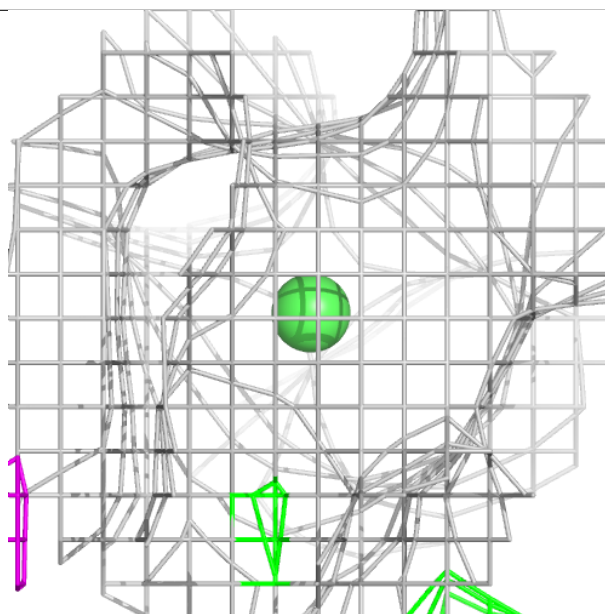
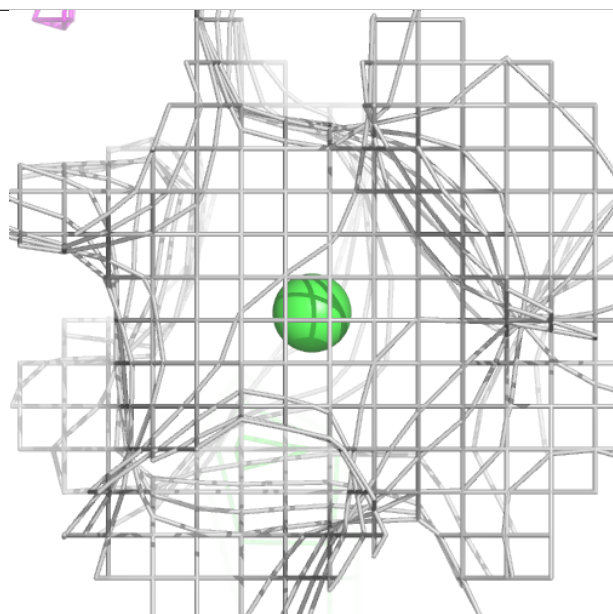
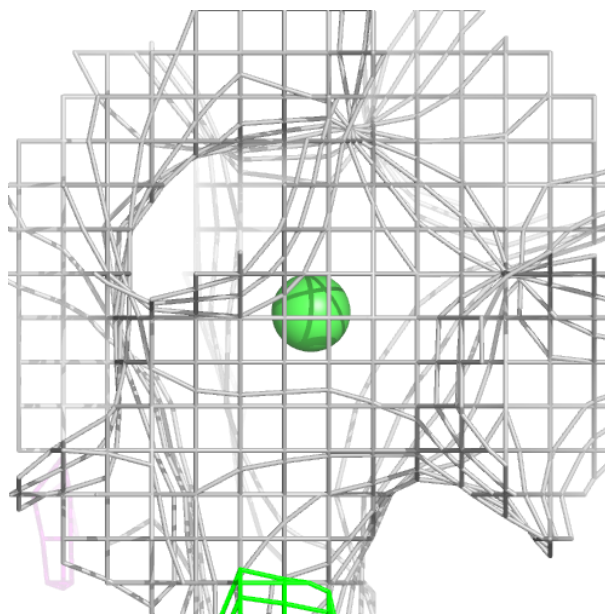
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and green (positive)



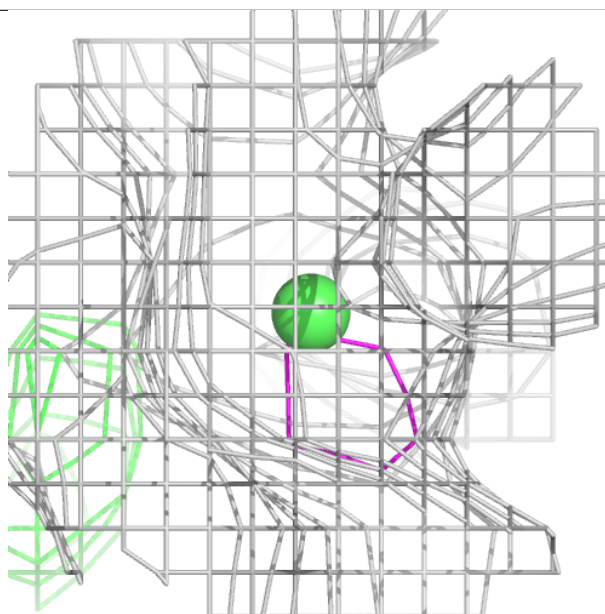
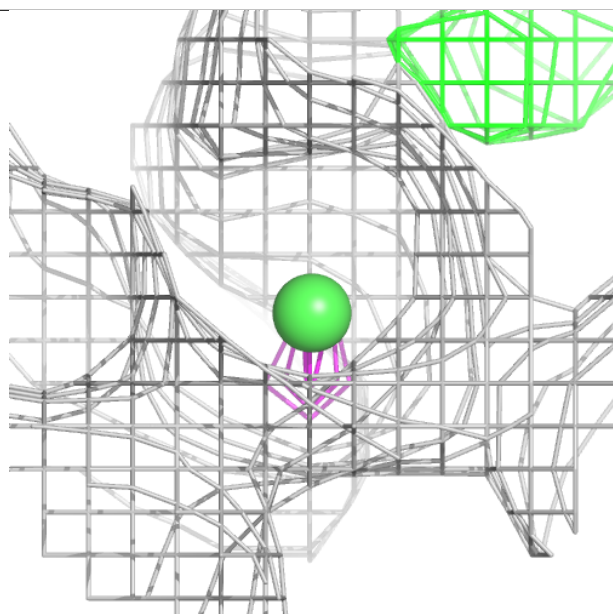
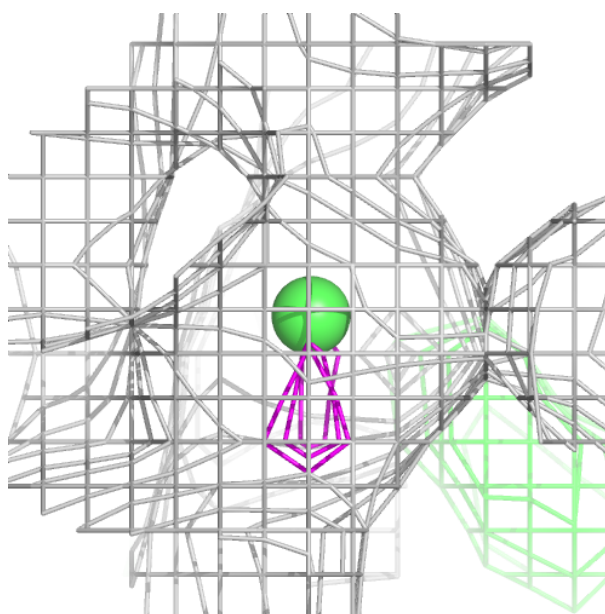
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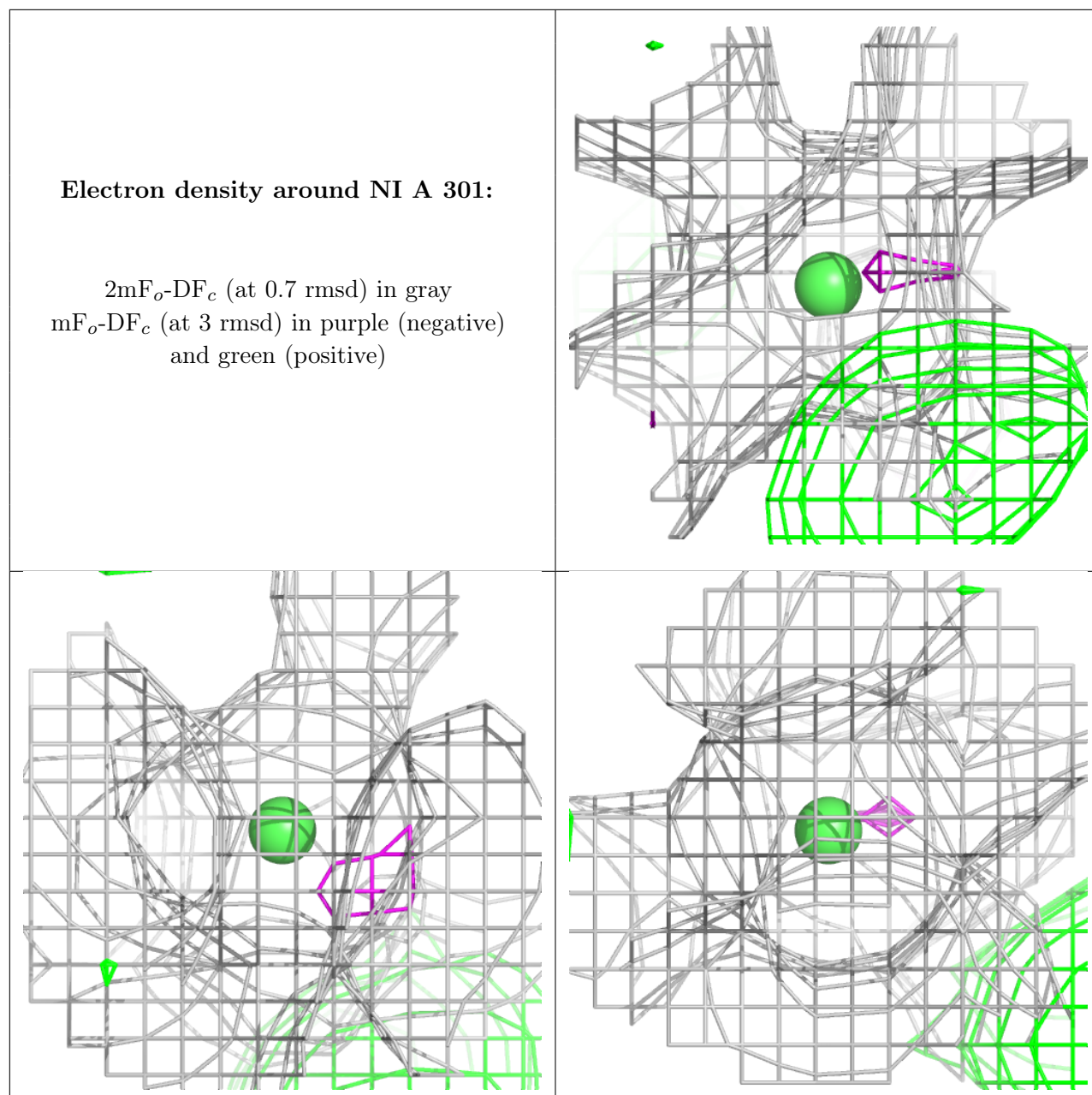
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 mF_o-DF_c (at 3 rmsd) in purple (negative)
and green (positive)





6.5 Other polymers ⓘ

There are no such residues in this entry.