



wwPDB EM Validation Summary Report ⓘ

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PDB ID : 7QKU / pdb_00007qku
EMDB ID : EMD-14053
Title : in vitro assembled 266/297 - 391 tau filaments with MgCl₂ and NaCl (14a)
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Deposited on : 2021-12-19
Resolution : 2.57 Å(reported)

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

EMDB validation analysis : 0.0.1.dev132
MolProbity : 4-5-2 with Phenix2.0
Percentile statistics : 20250101.v01 (using entries in the PDB archive January 1st 2025)
EM percentile statistics : 202505.v01 (Using data in the EMDb archive up until May 2025)
MapQ : 1.9.13
Ideal geometry (proteins) : Engh & Huber (2001)
Ideal geometry (DNA, RNA) : Parkinson et al. (1996)
Validation Pipeline (wwPDB-VP) : 2.49

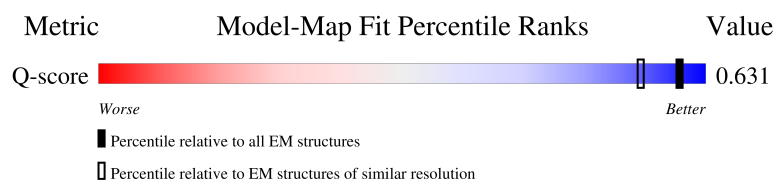
1 Overall quality at a glance

The following experimental techniques were used to determine the structure:

ELECTRON MICROSCOPY

The reported resolution of this entry is 2.57 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)	Similar EM resolution (#Entries, resolution range(Å))
Clashscore	229148	23984	-
Ramachandran outliers	224038	23583	-
Sidechain outliers	223484	23102	-
Q-score	-	25397	7615 (2.07 - 3.07)

The table below summarises the geometric issues observed across the polymeric 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 $\leq 5\%$. 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.

Mol	Chain	Length	Quality of chain
1	A	441	17% 83%
1	B	441	17% 83%
1	C	441	17% 83%
1	D	441	17% 83%

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Mol	Chain	Length	Quality of chain
1	E	441	 17%83%
1	F	441	 17%83%

2 Entry composition

There is only 1 type of molecule in this entry. The entry contains 3456 atoms, of which 0 are hydrogens and 0 are deuteriums.

In the tables below, 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 Microtubule-associated protein tau.

Mol	Chain	Residues	Atoms					AltConf	Trace
1	A	76	Total	C	N	O	S	0	0
			578	362	107	108	1		
1	B	76	Total	C	N	O	S	0	0
			578	362	107	108	1		
1	C	75	Total	C	N	O	S	0	0
			574	360	106	107	1		
1	D	76	Total	C	N	O	S	0	0
			578	362	107	108	1		
1	E	75	Total	C	N	O	S	0	0
			574	360	106	107	1		
1	F	75	Total	C	N	O	S	0	0
			574	360	106	107	1		

- Molecule 1: Microtubule-associated protein tau

SER	PRO	SER	THR	HIS	SER	MET
ALA	GLY	ALA	PRO	VAL	GLU	ALA
SER	GLY	SER	PRO	THR	THR	GLY
LEU	GLY	LEU	SER	GLN	PRO	GLY
ALA	S305	ALA	THR	ALA	ASP	ARG
LYS	+	LYS	GLY	ARG	ALA	GLN
GLN	+	PRO	GLU	MET	LYS	GLU
GLY	+	VAL	PRO	VAL	SER	PHE
LEU	+	ASN	PRO	PRO	THR	GLU
		ALA	PRO	LYS	PRO	VAL
		LYS	SER	LYS	THR	MET
		ASP	GLY	SER	ALA	GLY
		LEU	ASP	ASP	GLU	ASP
		THR	ARG	GLY	ASP	HIS
		ASN	SER	THR	VAL	ALA
		HIS	GLY	GLY	THR	GLY
		GLY	TYR	SER	ALA	THR
		ALA	SER	ASP	PRO	TYR
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		ILE	PRO	LYS	VAL	LEU
		VAL	GLY	LYS	ASP	GLY
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4 Experimental information

Property	Value	Source
EM reconstruction method	HELICAL	Depositor
Imposed symmetry	HELICAL, twist=-1.25°, rise=4.75 Å, axial sym=C1	Depositor
Number of segments used	18013	Depositor
Resolution determination method	FSC 0.143 CUT-OFF	Depositor
CTF correction method	PHASE FLIPPING AND AMPLITUDE CORRECTION	Depositor
Microscope	FEI TITAN KRIOS	Depositor
Voltage (kV)	300	Depositor
Electron dose ($e^-/\text{Å}^2$)	40	Depositor
Minimum defocus (nm)	1000	Depositor
Maximum defocus (nm)	3500	Depositor
Magnification	Not provided	
Image detector	FEI FALCON IV (4k x 4k)	Depositor
Maximum map value	0.053	Depositor
Minimum map value	-0.024	Depositor
Average map value	0.000	Depositor
Map value standard deviation	0.003	Depositor
Recommended contour level	0.00973	Depositor
Map size (Å)	316.41602, 316.41602, 316.41602	wwPDB
Map dimensions	384, 384, 384	wwPDB
Map angles (°)	90.0, 90.0, 90.0	wwPDB
Pixel spacing (Å)	0.82400006, 0.82400006, 0.82400006	Depositor

5 Model quality [i](#)

5.1 Standard geometry [i](#)

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	0.66	0/587	1.23	0/785
1	B	0.66	0/587	1.23	0/785
1	C	0.69	0/583	1.24	0/780
1	D	0.67	0/587	1.24	1/785 (0.1%)
1	E	0.68	0/583	1.23	0/780
1	F	0.67	0/583	1.24	0/780
All	All	0.67	0/3510	1.24	1/4695 (0.0%)

There are no bond length outliers.

All (1) bond angle outliers are listed below:

Mol	Chain	Res	Type	Atoms	Z	Observed(°)	Ideal(°)
1	D	348	ASP	CA-CB-CG	5.05	117.65	112.60

There are no chirality outliers.

There are no planarity outliers.

5.2 Too-close contacts [i](#)

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	578	0	600	0	0
1	B	578	0	600	0	0
1	C	574	0	597	0	0
1	D	578	0	600	0	0
1	E	574	0	597	0	0
1	F	574	0	597	0	0

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Mol	Chain	Non-H	H(model)	H(added)	Clashes	Symm-Clashes
All	All	3456	0	3591	0	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 0.

There are no clashes within the asymmetric unit.

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 PDB entries followed by that with respect to all EM entries.

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	74/441 (17%)	70 (95%)	4 (5%)	0	100	100
1	B	74/441 (17%)	70 (95%)	4 (5%)	0	100	100
1	C	73/441 (17%)	69 (94%)	4 (6%)	0	100	100
1	D	74/441 (17%)	71 (96%)	3 (4%)	0	100	100
1	E	73/441 (17%)	70 (96%)	3 (4%)	0	100	100
1	F	73/441 (17%)	68 (93%)	5 (7%)	0	100	100
All	All	441/2646 (17%)	418 (95%)	23 (5%)	0	100	100

There are no Ramachandran outliers to report.

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 PDB entries followed by that with respect to all EM entries.

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	66/358 (18%)	66 (100%)	0	100	100
1	B	66/358 (18%)	66 (100%)	0	100	100
1	C	66/358 (18%)	66 (100%)	0	100	100
1	D	66/358 (18%)	66 (100%)	0	100	100
1	E	66/358 (18%)	66 (100%)	0	100	100
1	F	66/358 (18%)	66 (100%)	0	100	100
All	All	396/2148 (18%)	396 (100%)	0	100	100

There are no protein residues with a non-rotameric sidechain to report.

Sometimes sidechains can be flipped to improve hydrogen bonding and reduce clashes. 5 of 12 such sidechains are listed below:

Mol	Chain	Res	Type
1	D	336	GLN
1	E	329	HIS
1	F	307	GLN
1	E	330	HIS
1	B	327	ASN

5.3.3 RNA ⓘ

There are no RNA molecules in this entry.

5.4 Non-standard residues in protein, DNA, RNA chains ⓘ

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

5.5 Carbohydrates ⓘ

There are no oligosaccharides in this entry.

5.6 Ligand geometry ⓘ

There are no ligands in this entry.

5.7 Other polymers [i](#)

There are no such residues in this entry.

5.8 Polymer linkage issues [i](#)

There are no chain breaks in this entry.

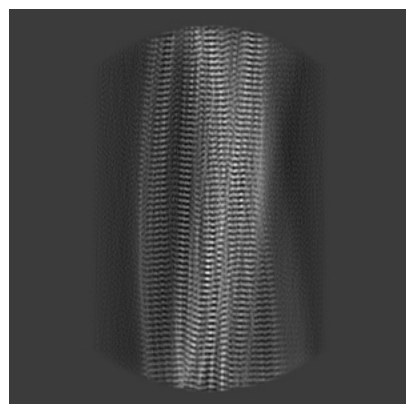
6 Map visualisation [i](#)

This section contains visualisations of the EMDB entry EMD-14053. These allow visual inspection of the internal detail of the map and identification of artifacts.

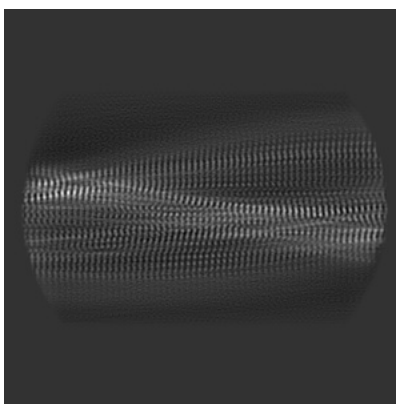
Images derived from a raw map, generated by summing the deposited half-maps, are presented below the corresponding image components of the primary map to allow further visual inspection and comparison with those of the primary map.

6.1 Orthogonal projections [i](#)

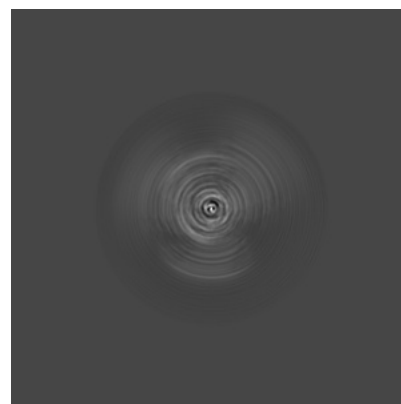
6.1.1 Primary map



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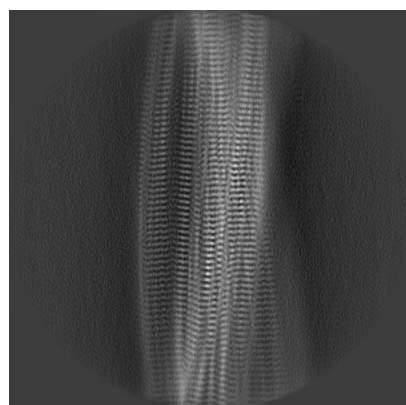


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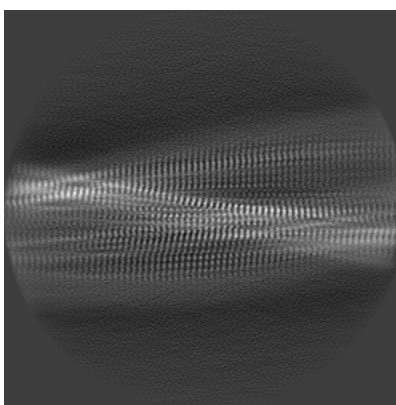


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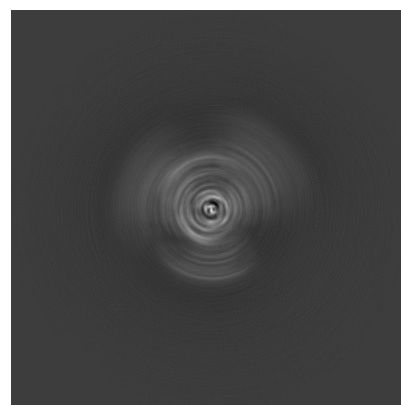
6.1.2 Raw map



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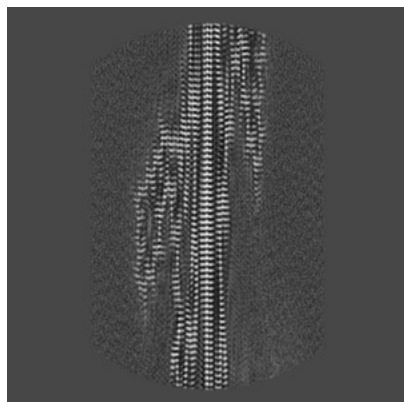


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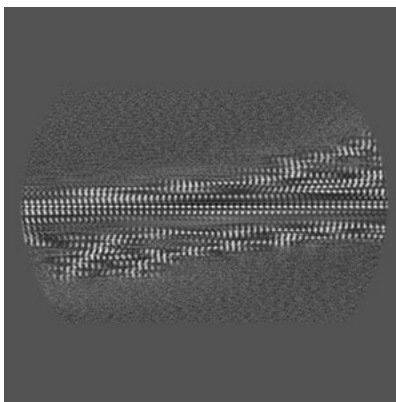
The images above show the map projected in three orthogonal directions.

6.2 Central slices [i](#)

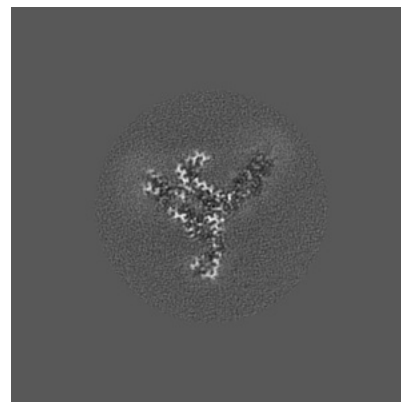
6.2.1 Primary map



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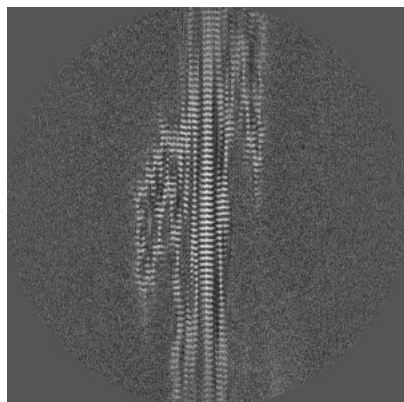


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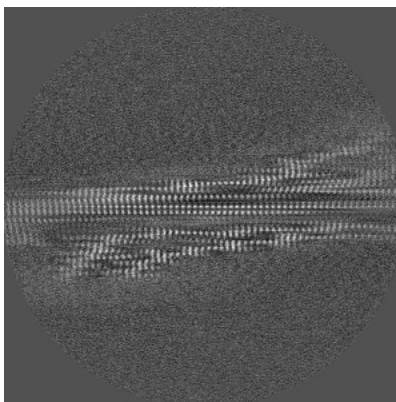


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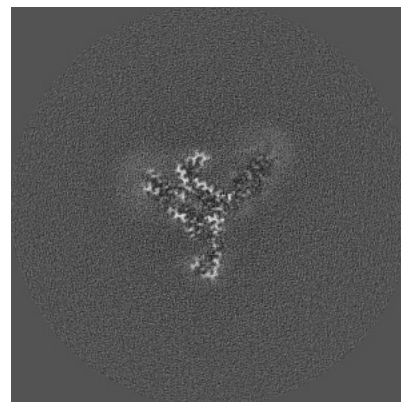
6.2.2 Raw map



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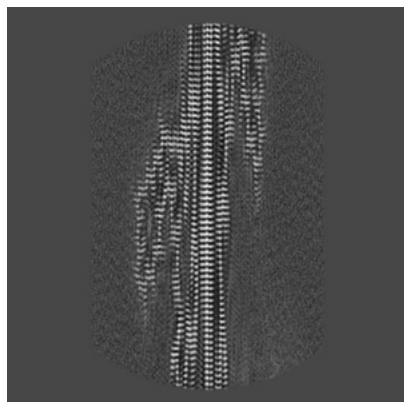


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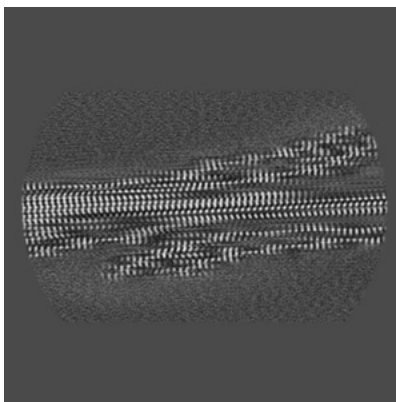
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6.3 Largest variance slices [i](#)

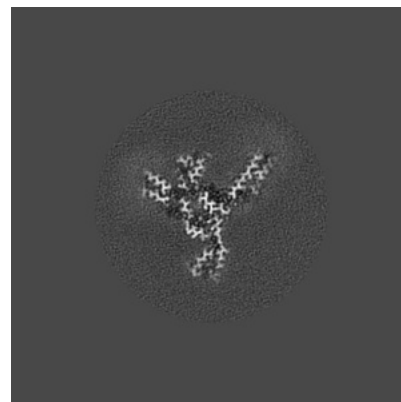
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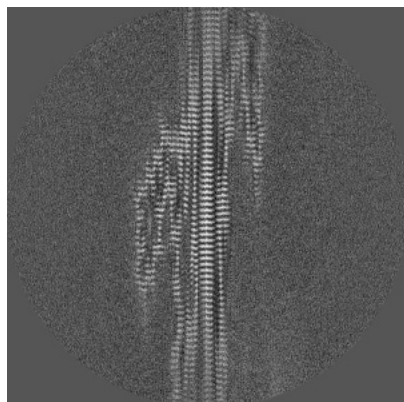


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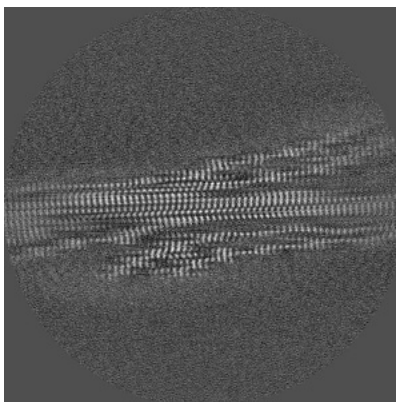


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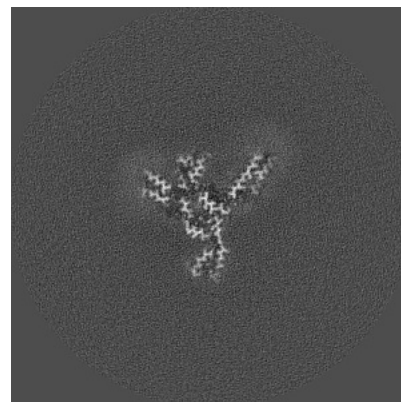
6.3.2 Raw map



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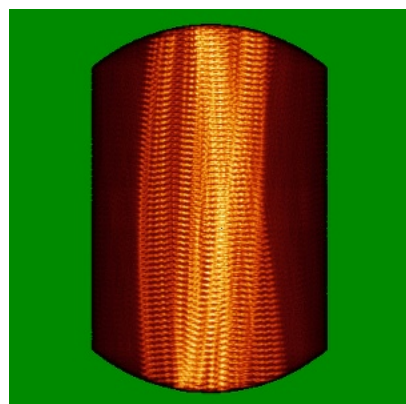


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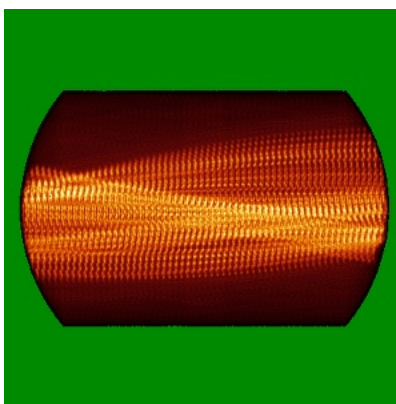
The images above show the largest variance slices of the map in three orthogonal directions.

6.4 Orthogonal standard-deviation projections (False-color) [i](#)

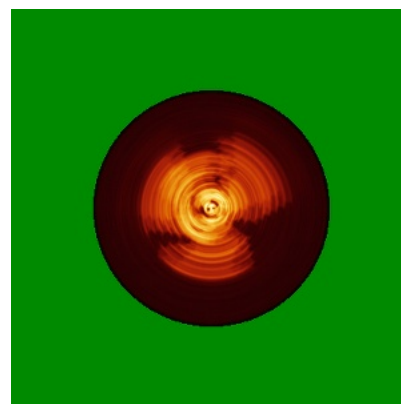
6.4.1 Primary map



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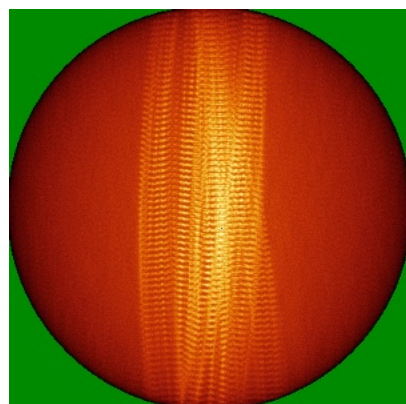


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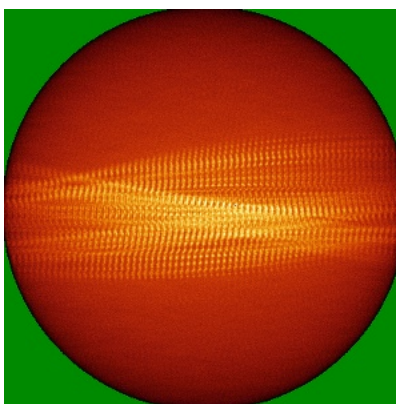


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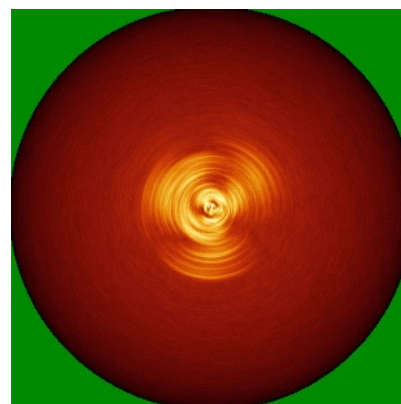
6.4.2 Raw map



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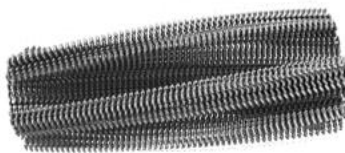
The images above show the map standard deviation projections with false color in three orthogonal directions. Minimum values are shown in green, max in blue, and dark to light orange shades represent small to large values respectively.

6.5 Orthogonal surface views [i](#)

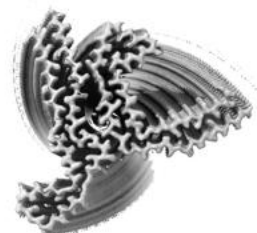
6.5.1 Primary map



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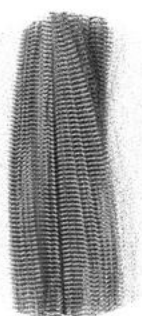
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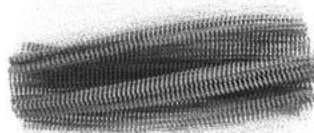
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The images above show the 3D surface view of the map at the recommended contour level 0.00973. These images, in conjunction with the slice images, may facilitate assessment of whether an appropriate contour level has been provided.

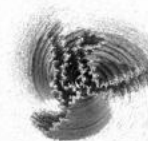
6.5.2 Raw map



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These images show the 3D surface of the raw map. The raw map's contour level was selected so that its surface encloses the same volume as the primary map does at its recommended contour level.

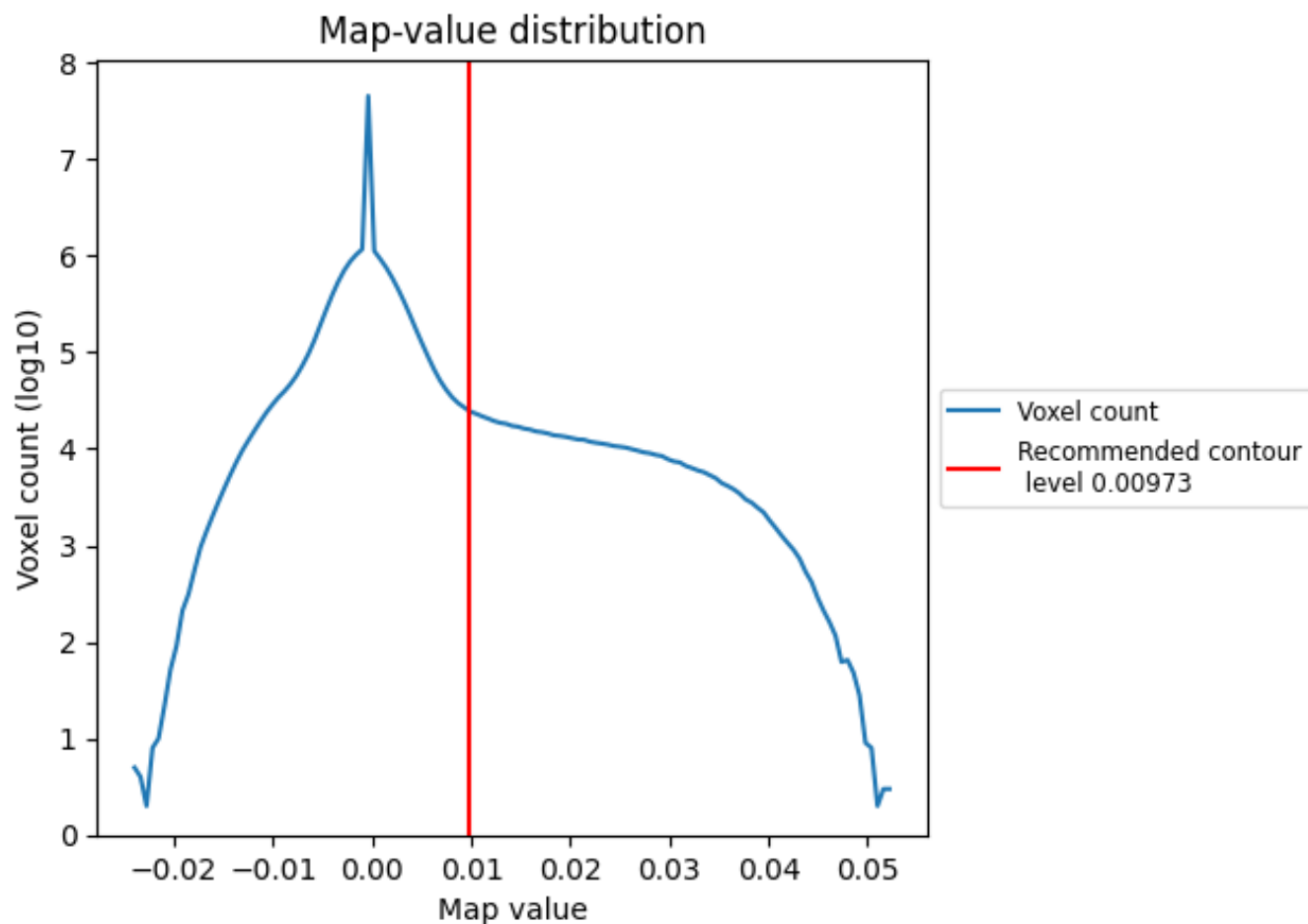
6.6 Mask visualisation [i](#)

This section was not generated. No masks/segmentation were deposited.

7 Map analysis [i](#)

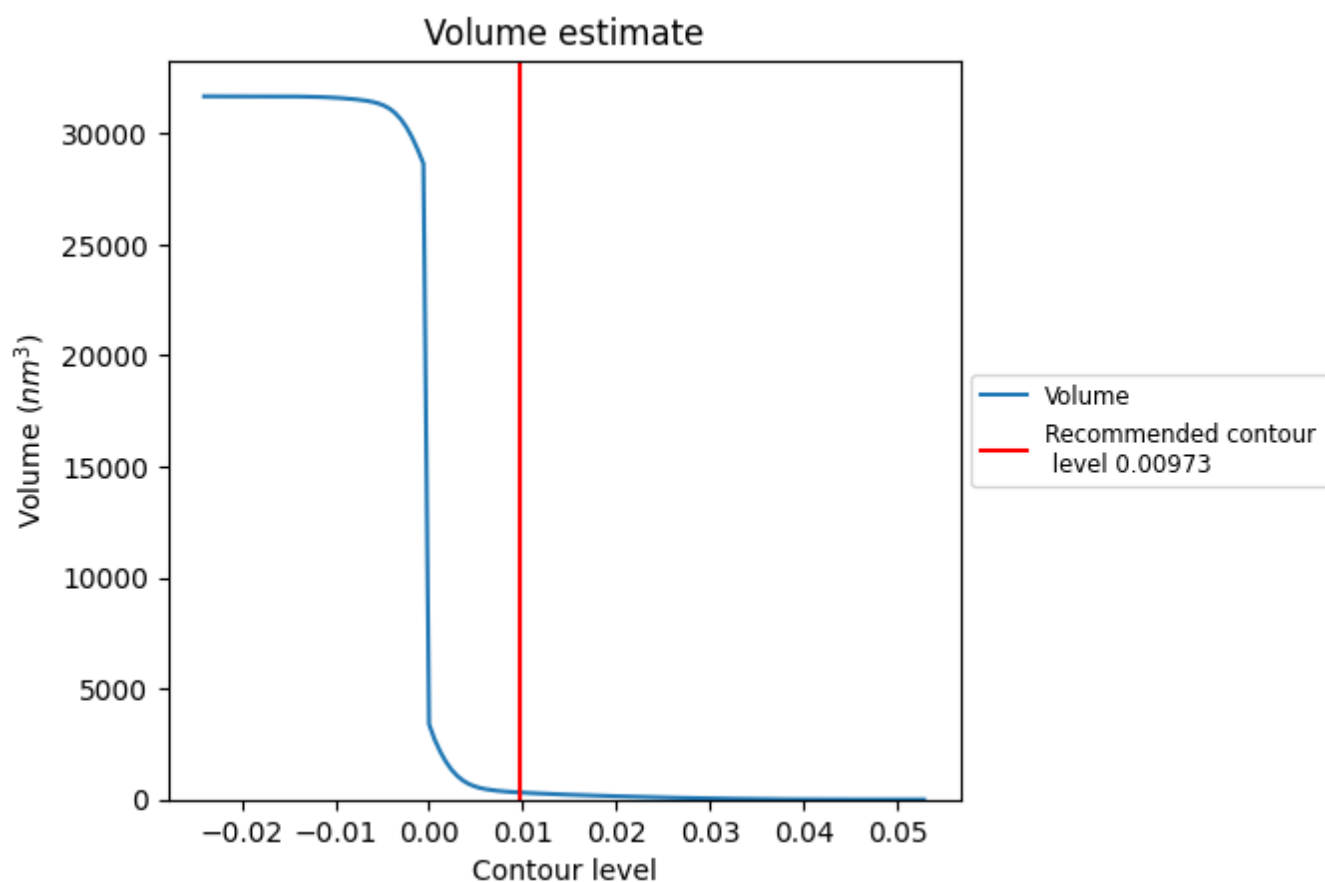
This section contains the results of statistical analysis of the map.

7.1 Map-value distribution [i](#)



The map-value distribution is plotted in 128 intervals along the x-axis. The y-axis is logarithmic. A spike in this graph at zero usually indicates that the volume has been masked.

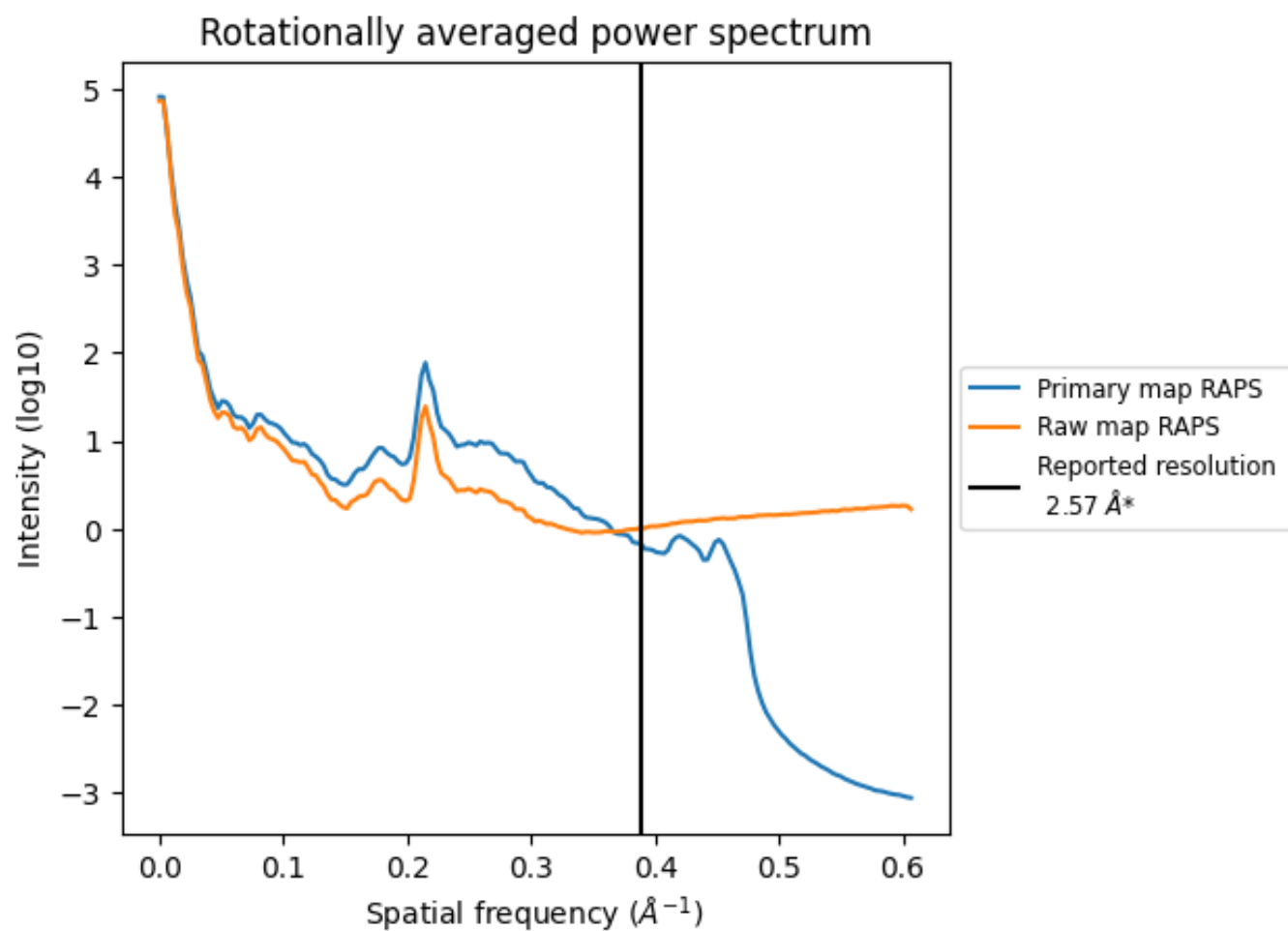
7.2 Volume estimate [i](#)



The volume at the recommended contour level is 317 nm³; this corresponds to an approximate mass of 286 kDa.

The volume estimate graph shows how the enclosed volume varies with the contour level. The recommended contour level is shown as a vertical line and the intersection between the line and the curve gives the volume of the enclosed surface at the given level.

7.3 Rotationally averaged power spectrum ⓘ

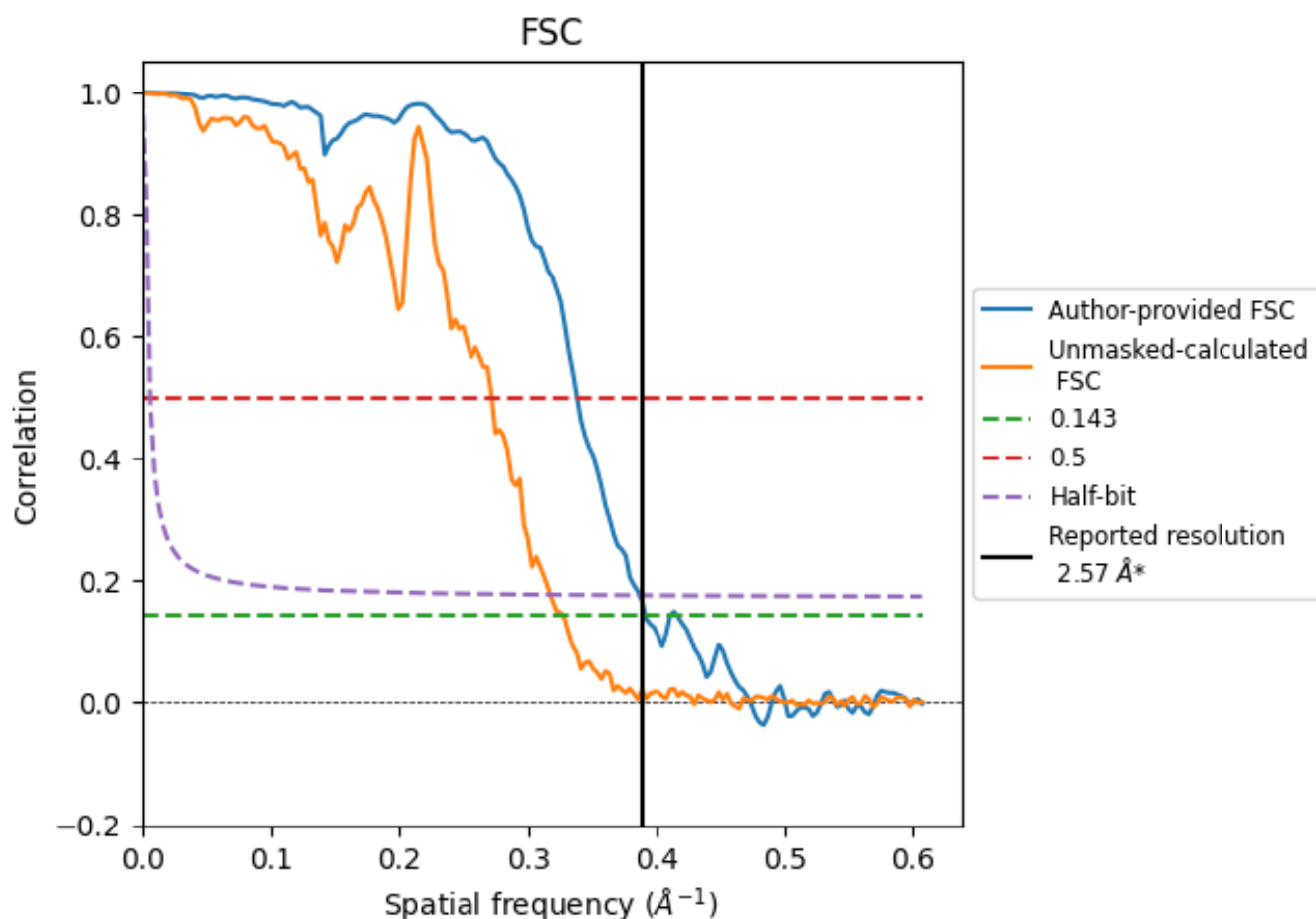


*Reported resolution corresponds to spatial frequency of 0.389 Å⁻¹

8 Fourier-Shell correlation ⓘ

Fourier-Shell Correlation (FSC) is the most commonly used method to estimate the resolution of single-particle and subtomogram-averaged maps. The shape of the curve depends on the imposed symmetry, mask and whether or not the two 3D reconstructions used were processed from a common reference. The reported resolution is shown as a black line. A curve is displayed for the half-bit criterion in addition to lines showing the 0.143 gold standard cut-off and 0.5 cut-off.

8.1 FSC ⓘ



*Reported resolution corresponds to spatial frequency of 0.389 $\text{\AA}^{-1}$

8.2 Resolution estimates [i](#)

Resolution estimate (Å)	Estimation criterion (FSC cut-off)		
	0.143	0.5	Half-bit
Reported by author	2.57	-	-
Author-provided FSC curve	2.55	2.96	2.58
Unmasked-calculated*	3.06	3.68	3.15

*Resolution estimate based on FSC curve calculated by comparison of deposited half-maps. The value from deposited half-maps intersecting FSC 0.143 CUT-OFF 3.06 differs from the reported value 2.57 by more than 10 %

9 Map-model fit [i](#)

This section contains information regarding the fit between EMDB map EMD-14053 and PDB model 7QKU. Per-residue inclusion information can be found in [section 3](#) on [page 5](#).

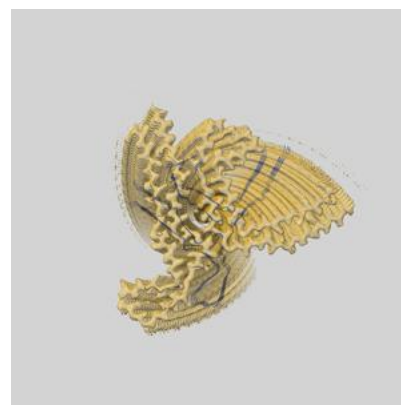
9.1 Map-model overlay [i](#)



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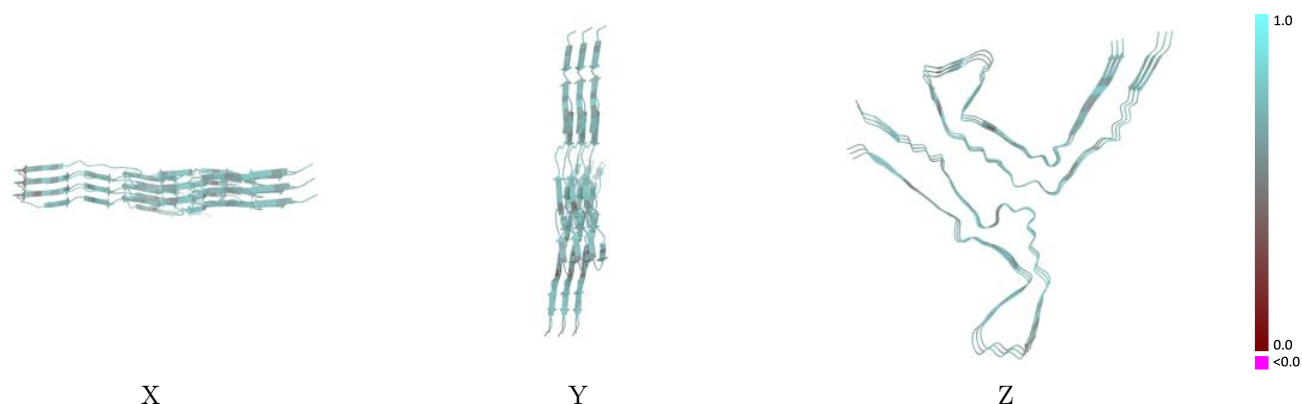
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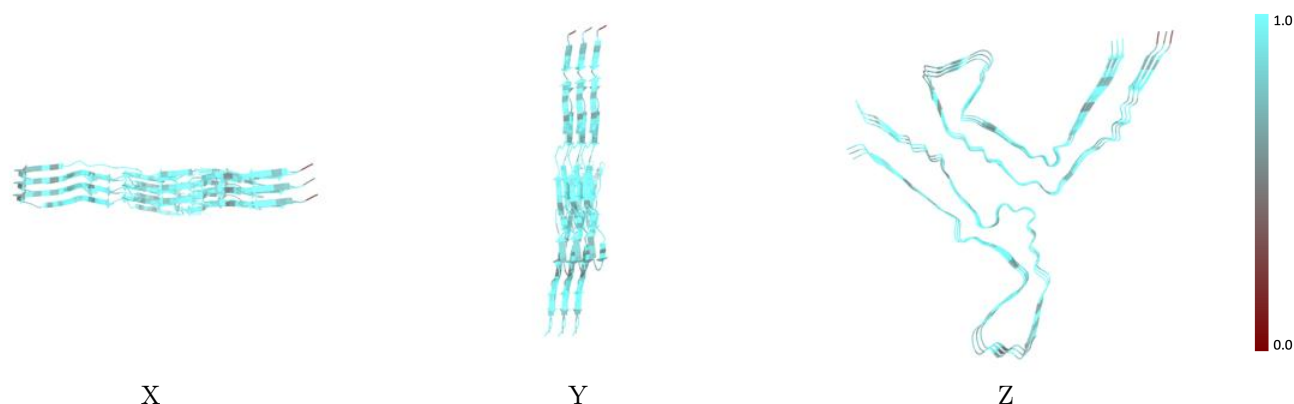
The images above show the 3D surface view of the map at the recommended contour level 0.00973 at 50% transparency in yellow overlaid with a ribbon representation of the model coloured in blue. These images allow for the visual assessment of the quality of fit between the atomic model and the map.

9.2 Q-score mapped to coordinate model [i](#)



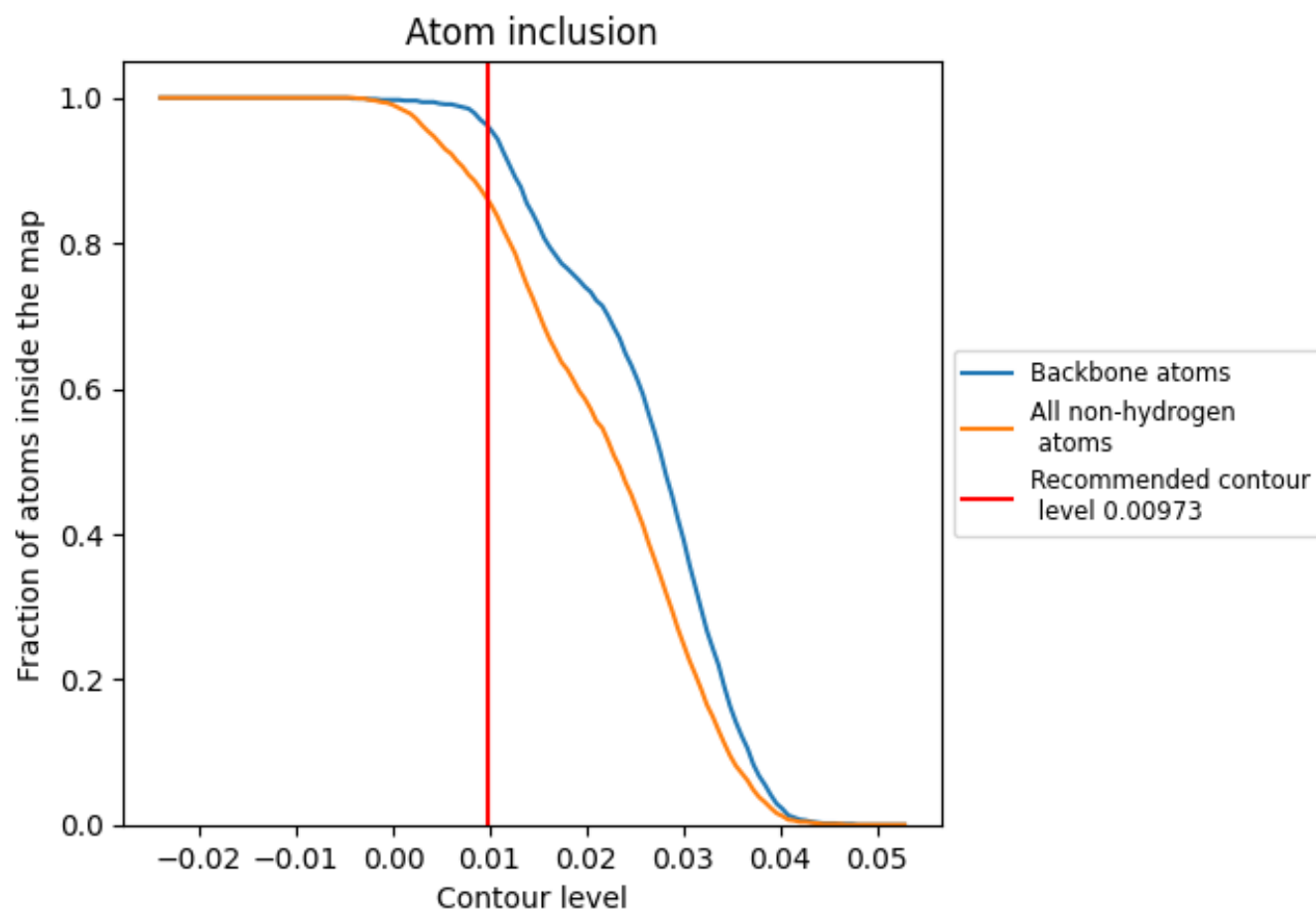
The images above show the model with each residue coloured according to its Q-score. This shows their resolvability in the map with higher Q-score values reflecting better resolvability. Please note: Q-score is calculating the resolvability of atoms, and thus high values are only expected at resolutions at which atoms can be resolved. Low Q-score values may therefore be expected for many entries.

9.3 Atom inclusion mapped to coordinate model [i](#)



The images above show the model with each residue coloured according to its atom inclusion. This shows to what extent they are inside the map at the recommended contour level (0.00973).

9.4 Atom inclusion [i](#)



At the recommended contour level, 96% of all backbone atoms, 86% of all non-hydrogen atoms, are inside the map.

9.5 Map-model fit summary ⓘ

The table lists the average atom inclusion at the recommended contour level (0.00973) and Q-score for the entire model and for each chain.

Chain	Atom inclusion	Q-score
All	0.8610	0.6310
A	0.8640	0.6330
B	0.8600	0.6310
C	0.8590	0.6310
D	0.8600	0.6360
E	0.8610	0.6310
F	0.8610	0.6230

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