



wwPDB X-ray Structure Validation Summary 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
Mogul	:	2022.3.0, CSD as543be (2022)
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

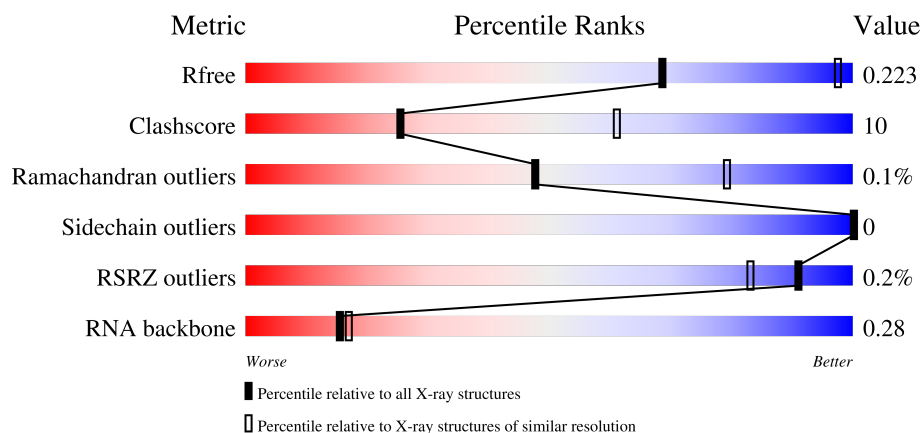
1 Overall quality at a glance

The following experimental techniques were used to determine the structure:

X-RAY DIFFRACTION

The reported resolution of this entry is 3.45 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	1070 (3.50-3.42)
Clashscore	190562	1128 (3.50-3.42)
Ramachandran outliers	187476	1101 (3.50-3.42)
Sidechain outliers	187428	1102 (3.50-3.42)
RSRZ outliers	180081	1070 (3.50-3.42)
RNA backbone	3983	1186 (3.92-3.00)

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	862	74% 22% .
2	E	14	7% 64% 14% 14%
3	F	16	19% 50% 6% 25%

2 Entry composition

There are 4 unique types of molecules in this entry. The entry contains 7127 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 Protein argonaute-3.

Mol	Chain	Residues	Atoms					ZeroOcc	AltConf	Trace
1	A	825	Total	C	N	O	S	0	0	0
			6617	4205	1195	1176	41			

There are 2 discrepancies between the modelled and reference sequences:

Chain	Residue	Modelled	Actual	Comment	Reference
A	-1	GLY	-	expression tag	UNP Q9H9G7
A	0	SER	-	expression tag	UNP Q9H9G7

- Molecule 2 is a RNA chain called RNA (5'-R(P*UP*AP*AP*AP*GP*UP*GP*CP*UP*UP*AP*G)-3').

Mol	Chain	Residues	Atoms					ZeroOcc	AltConf	Trace
2	E	12	Total	C	N	O	P	0	0	0
			240	106	39	83	12			

- Molecule 3 is a RNA chain called RNA (5'-R(P*(SRA)P*AP*GP*CP*AP*CP*UP*UP*UP*AP*AP*A)-3').

Mol	Chain	Residues	Atoms						ZeroOcc	AltConf	Trace
3	F	12	Total	C	N	O	P	S	0	0	0
			245	110	42	80	12	1			

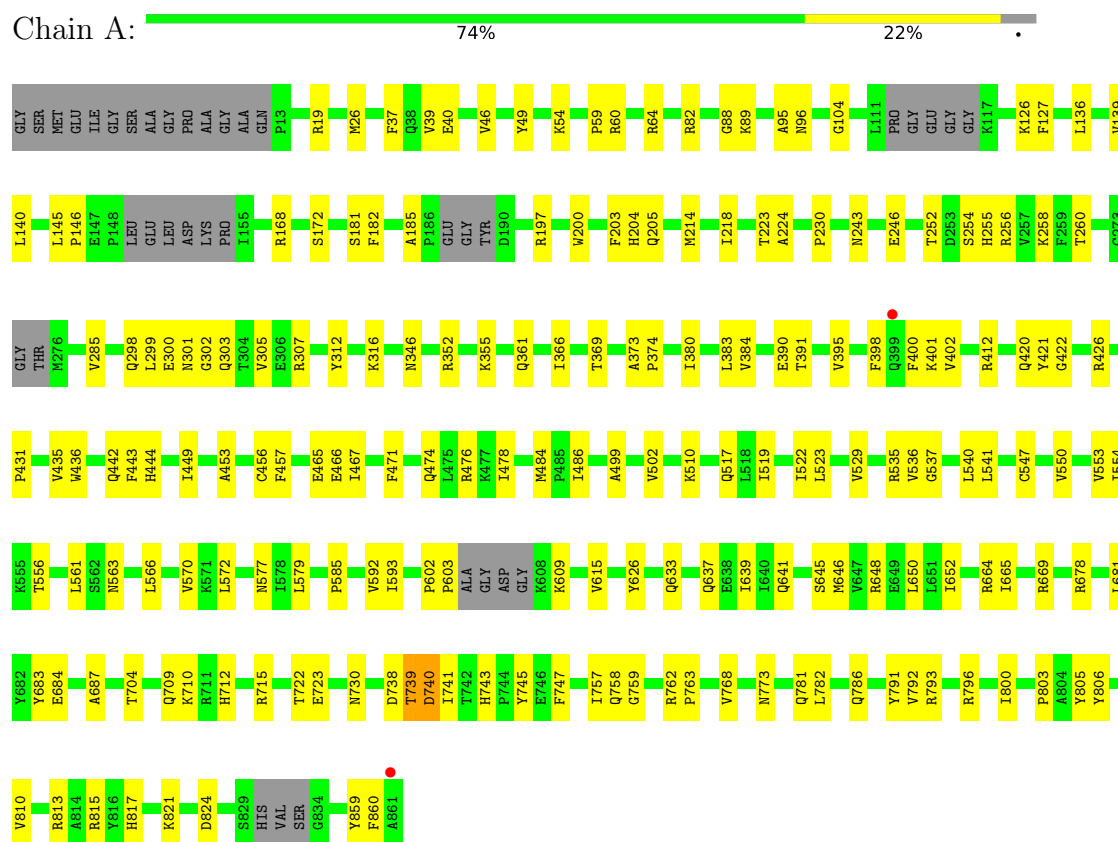
- Molecule 4 is water.

Mol	Chain	Residues	Atoms		ZeroOcc	AltConf
4	A	23	Total	O	0	0
			23	23		
4	F	2	Total	O	0	0
			2	2		

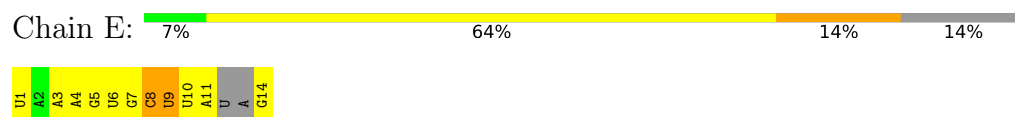
3 Residue-property plots

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.

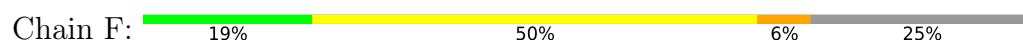
• Molecule 1: Protein argonaute-3



• Molecule 2: RNA (5'-R(P*UP*AP*AP*AP*GP*UP*GP*CP*UP*UP*AP*G)-3')



• Molecule 3: RNA (5'-R(P*(SRA)P*AP*GP*CP*AP*CP*UP*UP*UP*AP*AP*A)-3')



C	U	A	OMU	A5	A6	G7	C8	A9	C10		U13	A14	A15	A16
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4 Data and refinement statistics

Property	Value	Source
Space group	P 2 21 21	Depositor
Cell constants a, b, c, α , β , γ	65.14Å 138.13Å 143.53Å 90.00° 90.00° 90.00°	Depositor
Resolution (Å)	48.23 – 3.45 48.23 – 3.45	Depositor EDS
% Data completeness (in resolution range)	99.5 (48.23-3.45) 99.5 (48.23-3.45)	Depositor EDS
R_{merge}	(Not available)	Depositor
R_{sym}	(Not available)	Depositor
$\langle I/\sigma(I) \rangle$ ¹	2.02 (at 3.48Å)	Xtriage
Refinement program	PHENIX 1.21_5207	Depositor
R, R_{free}	0.206 , 0.254 0.209 , 0.223	Depositor DCC
R_{free} test set	1769 reflections (9.96%)	wwPDB-VP
Wilson B-factor (Å ²)	107.0	Xtriage
Anisotropy	0.897	Xtriage
Bulk solvent k_{sol} (e/Å ³), B_{sol} (Å ²)	0.31 , 110.3	EDS
L-test for twinning ²	$\langle L \rangle = 0.47$, $\langle L^2 \rangle = 0.29$	Xtriage
Estimated twinning fraction	0.034 for -h,l,k	Xtriage
F_o, F_c correlation	0.95	EDS
Total number of atoms	7127	wwPDB-VP
Average B, all atoms (Å ²)	137.0	wwPDB-VP

Xtriage's analysis on translational NCS is as follows: *The largest off-origin peak in the Patterson function is 4.48% 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 [i](#)

5.1 Standard geometry [i](#)

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

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	0.17	0/6774	0.38	0/9176
2	E	0.16	0/266	0.34	0/408
3	F	0.17	0/260	0.49	0/402
All	All	0.17	0/7300	0.39	0/9986

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	1

There are no bond length outliers.

There are no bond angle outliers.

There are no chirality outliers.

All (1) planarity outliers are listed below:

Mol	Chain	Res	Type	Group
1	A	739	THR	Peptide

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	6617	0	6663	127	0
2	E	240	0	121	12	0
3	F	245	0	125	2	0
4	A	23	0	0	0	0
4	F	2	0	0	0	0
All	All	7127	0	6909	135	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 10.

The worst 5 of 135 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:A:82:ARG:HE	1:A:96:ASN:HB2	1.39	0.86
1:A:260:THR:HG22	1:A:285:VAL:HB	1.59	0.85
1:A:366:ILE:HA	1:A:369:THR:HG22	1.69	0.75
1:A:168:ARG:HG3	1:A:182:PHE:HZ	1.57	0.70
1:A:435:VAL:HG23	1:A:796:ARG:HG2	1.75	0.69

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	811/862 (94%)	783 (96%)	27 (3%)	1 (0%)	48 79

All (1) Ramachandran outliers are listed below:

Mol	Chain	Res	Type
1	A	740	ASP

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	731/753 (97%)	731 (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 8 such sidechains are listed below:

Mol	Chain	Res	Type
1	A	773	ASN
1	A	709	GLN
1	A	559	GLN
1	A	377	GLN
1	A	563	ASN

5.3.3 RNA [i](#)

Mol	Chain	Analysed	Backbone Outliers	Pucker Outliers
2	E	10/14 (71%)	4 (40%)	0
3	F	11/16 (68%)	5 (45%)	1 (9%)
All	All	21/30 (70%)	9 (42%)	1 (4%)

5 of 9 RNA backbone outliers are listed below:

Mol	Chain	Res	Type
2	E	7	G
2	E	8	C
2	E	9	U
2	E	10	U
3	F	6	A

All (1) RNA pucker outliers are listed below:

Mol	Chain	Res	Type
3	F	13	U

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

1 non-standard protein/DNA/RNA residue is modelled in this entry.

In the following table, the Counts columns list the number of bonds (or angles) for which Mogul statistics could be retrieved, the number of bonds (or angles) that are observed in the model and the number of bonds (or angles) that are defined in the Chemical Component Dictionary. The Link column lists molecule types, if any, to which the group is linked. 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 $|Z| > 2$ is considered an outlier worth inspection. RMSZ is the root-mean-square of all Z scores of the bond lengths (or angles).

Mol	Type	Chain	Res	Link	Bond lengths			Bond angles		
					Counts	RMSZ	# Z > 2	Counts	RMSZ	# Z > 2
3	SRA	F	5	3	9,12,25	4.11	4 (44%)	9,16,38	1.67	1 (11%)

In the following table, the Chirals column lists the number of chiral outliers, the number of chiral centers analysed, the number of these observed in the model and the number defined in the Chemical Component Dictionary. Similar counts are reported in the Torsion and Rings columns. '-' means no outliers of that kind were identified.

Mol	Type	Chain	Res	Link	Chirals	Torsions	Rings
3	SRA	F	5	3	-	3/3/18/26	0/1/1/3

All (4) bond length outliers are listed below:

Mol	Chain	Res	Type	Atoms	Z	Observed(Å)	Ideal(Å)
3	F	5	SRA	O4'-C1'	8.45	1.62	1.43
3	F	5	SRA	O4'-C4'	-7.65	1.31	1.44
3	F	5	SRA	O2'-C2'	3.10	1.49	1.43
3	F	5	SRA	O3'-C3'	-2.56	1.36	1.43

All (1) bond angle outliers are listed below:

Mol	Chain	Res	Type	Atoms	Z	Observed(°)	Ideal(°)
3	F	5	SRA	O4'-C4'-C3'	4.28	108.58	104.63

There are no chirality outliers.

All (3) torsion outliers are listed below:

Mol	Chain	Res	Type	Atoms
3	F	5	SRA	O4'-C4'-C5'-O5'
3	F	5	SRA	C3'-C4'-C5'-O5'
3	F	5	SRA	C4'-C5'-O5'-P

There are no ring outliers.

No monomer is involved in short contacts.

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

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	825/862 (95%)	-0.46	2 (0%) 91 83	76, 130, 197, 281	0
2	E	12/14 (85%)	-0.47	0 100 100	104, 135, 226, 236	0
3	F	11/16 (68%)	-0.97	0 100 100	103, 122, 206, 242	0
All	All	848/892 (95%)	-0.47	2 (0%) 91 83	76, 131, 202, 281	0

All (2) RSRZ outliers are listed below:

Mol	Chain	Res	Type	RSRZ
1	A	861	ALA	3.7
1	A	399	GLN	2.1

6.2 Non-standard residues in protein, DNA, RNA chains [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	SRA	F	5	12/23	0.52	0.10	234,253,262,270	0

6.3 Carbohydrates [i](#)

There are no oligosaccharides in this entry.

6.4 Ligands [i](#)

There are no ligands in this entry.

6.5 Other polymers [i](#)

There are no such residues in this entry.