

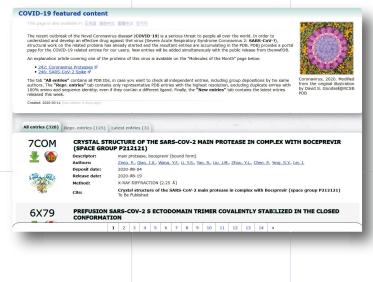


PDBj provides a featured content webpage that is focused on novel coronavirus infectious disease (COVID-19).



COVID-19 featured content was released

https://pdbj.org/featured/covid-19



COVID-19 featured page at HOMCOS

http://homcos.pdbj.org/?LANG=en

HOMCOS is a database that provides templates for searching and modeling complexes of 3D structures. Considering the emergence of the pandemic, we have now introduced a featured content page that includes information on COVID-19 related proteins and chemical components. The page summarizes structural information about closely related proteins and similar chemical components as well as the structures that have already been solved. The page is updated weekly to reflect the latest PDB data. We encourage the utilization of this information in order to accelerate structural biology research on coronaviruses.

COVID-19 related data deposition in BSM-Arc

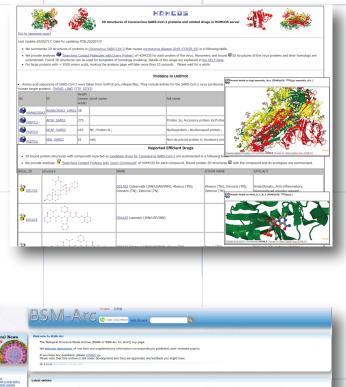
https://bsma.pdbj.org/featured/covid-19

BSM-Arc (Biological Structure Model Archive) is a database of molecular structures derived by molecular dynamics and homology modeling. In principle, BSM-Arc only accepts peer-reviewed published research data. However, considering the urgency of research on new coronaviruses, we have decided to make the pre-peer-reviewed data available in the RTPI (Research Topics of Paramount Importance) category. We have already accepted and released two sets of data containing 38 atomic coordinates (as of 6th July 2020).

Protein structural information solved by researchers around the world must be deposited in the database in advance via one of the sites in Japan, the US, or Europe. For the structures of SARS-CoV-2, The wwPDB member directly contacts the depositor of SARS-CoV-2 structures and recommends their immediate release even if the paper is not published in order to promote drug development research.

In addition, PDBj is collaborating with other data centers in Europe and the US to collate protein structures of the new coronavirus and release the data precisely. All data from Japan, the US, and Europe are released every Wednesday. We provide the COVID-19 featured page that only collects SARS-CoV-2. In this list structures from similar viruses such as SARS and MERS have already been filtered.

On this page, we also provide links to the related explanation articles of "Molecule of the Month".





EMPIAR-PDBj accepts HDD for submission

https://empiar.pdbj.org/

EMPIAR is a database for raw 2D electron microscopy images, and PDBj has established its mirror site EMPIAR-PDBj. To assist data submission from Asian EM researchers, we accept hard disc drives by postal mail or courier service. We have seen a large number of SARS-CoV-2 structures, such as spike protein and RNA polymerase, being determined rapidly and deposited into EMDB and PDB. Eight SARS-CoV-2 entries have been registered in EMPIAR (as of 31st July 2020). We are now appealing to researchers for the rapid deposition of raw 2D data to EMPIAR.

COVID-19 featured page at PDBj-BMRB

https://bmrbdep.pdbj.org/





BMRB is a database of NMR experimental information about biological macromolecules. The PDBj-BMRB Group has set up a special page on SARS-CoV-2. Moreover, we also provide search examples using our original BMRB/PDB/EMDB/UniProt cross-database search function as well as new coronavirus entries deposited in BMRB.

COVID-19 featured page at the EM Navigator

https://pdbj.org/emnavi/covid19.php

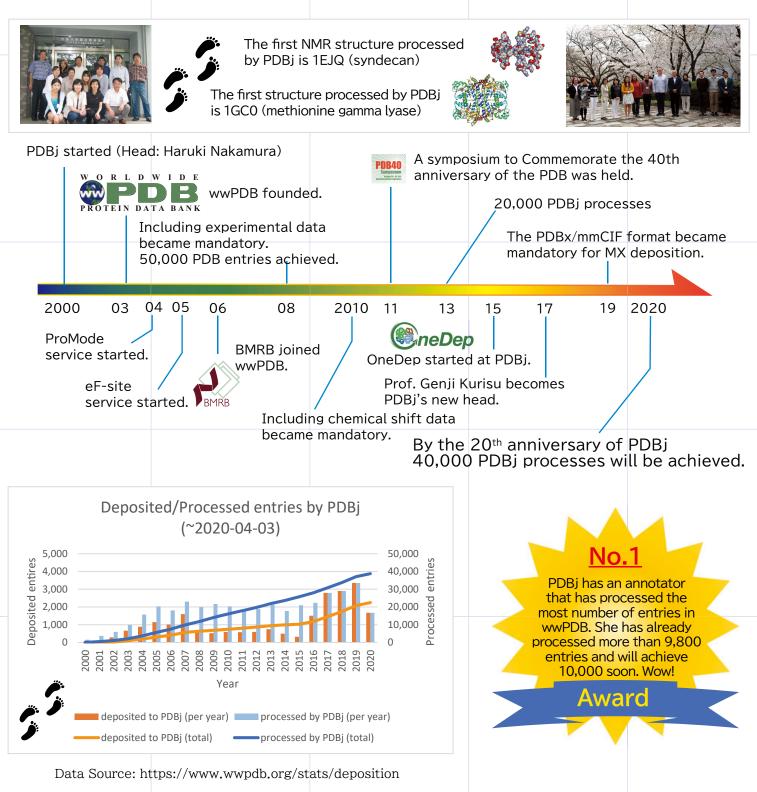
"EM Navigator" is a web service that enables users to browse the data in EMDB, the database of 3D electron density maps obtained by electron microscopy. In addition, in this service, we provide a featured page that collects data related to SARS-CoV-2.



PDBj PDBj 20 Year Anniversary



Protein Data Bank Japan (PDBj) celebrated its 20 year anniversary in July 2020. With the support of JST-BIRD (at that time), the biocuration of the first PDB entry was completed on July 6th, 2000. With the help of the RCSB PDB, the number of data processed in PDBj improved from only 157 in 2000 to 376 in 2001 and 602 in 2002. In 2003, together with the RCSB PDB and PDBe, we founded wwPDB, which has grown to become responsible for the single global archives. Since then, the amount of deposited data from China has increased rapidly and, since 2016, we are now responsible for Asia and the Middle East. During this period, we have managed secondary databases such as eF-site and ProMode, introducing new formats such as PDBMLplus and RDF, and developing related tools such as Molmil and MagRO. This is the result of continuous support from depositors, users, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, JST, AMED, and other related organizations. PDBj will continue to work hard as an information hub for the Protein Data Bank in Asia and the Middle East, and we ask for your continuous support.





An Updated PDB-Dev Website

PDB accepts structures determined by these three methods: crystal analysis, NMR, and electron microscopy. For the structures solved by combining various experimental



techniques such as cross-linking mass spectrometry, 2D electron microscopy, FRET, and SAXS, we recommend depositing in Pyour data DB-Dev (http://pdb-dev.wwpdb.org/). The web site has been updated and has an enhanced search function. We encourage its use when academic iournals request that you publish your data.

https://pdbj.org/news/20200410



Advance Release of Metadata in EMDB Terminated

Since April 15th, 2020, we ceased publishing metadata before the release of primary map data, This change brings the management policy of EMDB in line with that of wwPDB.

https://pdbj.org/news/20200408





3 Improve Previously-Released Coordinates

Coordinates deposited before August 2019 via the previous PDB deposition system (ADIT, Autodep, etc.) can be updated without changing PDBIDs via the current PDB deposition system (OneDep).



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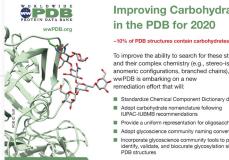
Improving Carbohydrates in the PDB

We have improved the representation of carbohydrates in PDB by adopting the nomenclature recommended by IUPAC-IUBMB, the names used in the glycoscience



community, and expression that uniquely identifies the structure of oligosaccharides.

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Improving Carbohydrates in the PDB for 2020

To improve the ability to search for these structures and their complex chemistry (e.g., stereo-isome anomeric configurations, branched chains), wwPDB is embarking on a new remediation effort that will:

Standardize Chemical Component Dictionary definition

- Adopt carbohydrate nomenclature following IUPAC-IUBMB recommendations Provide a uniform representation for oligosaccharides
- Adopt glycoscience community naming convention
- Incorporate glycoscience community tools to properly identify, validate, and biocurate glycosylation sites in PDB structures

5 Unified Format of NMR Data Deposition

We have now extended the functions of the OneDep deposition system to enable the NMR structures with a single NEF or NMR-STAR file. This makes it easier to store, distribute, and reuse the NMR data.



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PDB₁ PDBj Award @AsCA2019



PDBj has been awarding PDBj Poster Awards since 2018 for outstanding student presentations at conferences in Asia and the Middle East, where PDBj is responsible for data deposition. At the 16th Asian Crystallographic Association (AsCA2019) held at Singapore National University from December 17th to 20th 2019, we awarded the 2nd PDBi Poster Prize.

The winner was Mr. Prashant Kumar Singh (All India Institute of Medical Sciences, India). The title of his poster presentation is "Structural basis of activation of mammalian heme peroxidases." We presented him with the award certificate and the book "Integrative Structural Biology with Hybrid Methods (Editors: Haruki Nakamura, Gerard Kleywegt, Stephen K. Burley, John L. Markley)" edited by PIs of wwPDB.

The winner was announced by the selection committee appointed by the executive board of AsCA 2019. We would like to thank the local executive board and the selection committee for their support.



We opened a donation window at the Osaka University Foundation in order to enhance and improve public relations activities that cannot be paid for by research funds from public institutions.

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