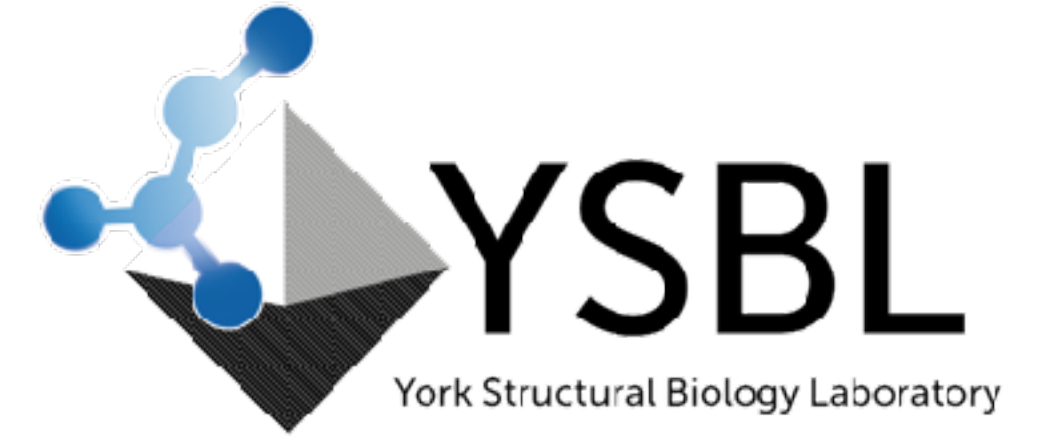


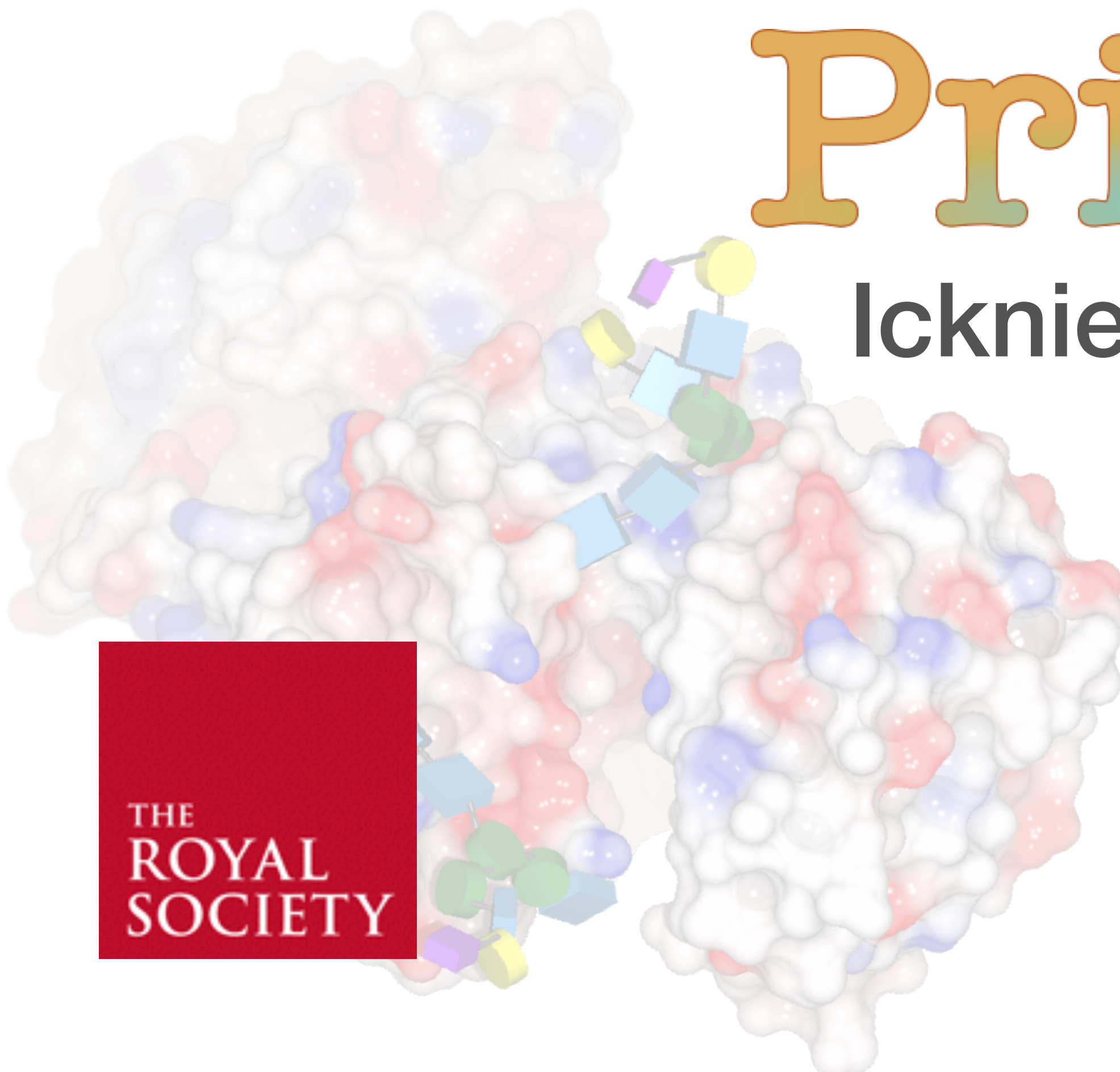


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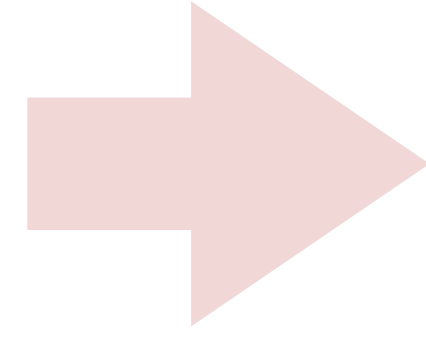
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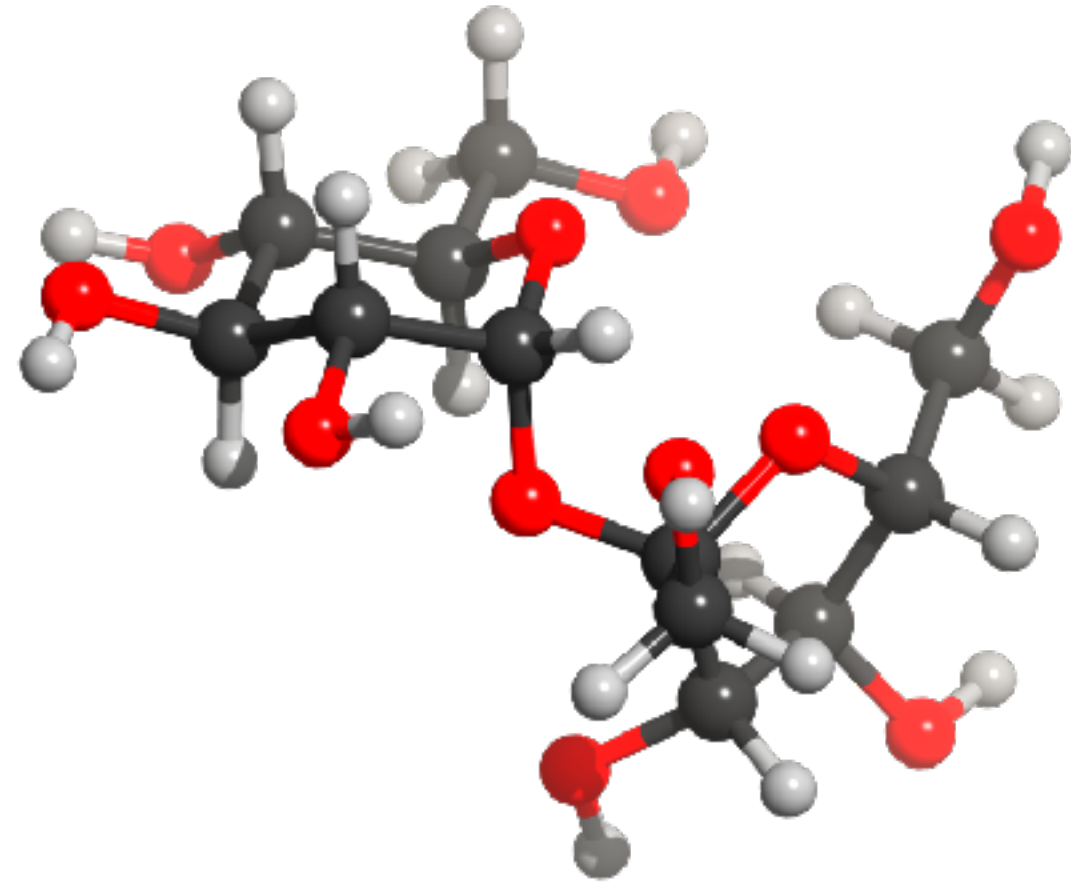
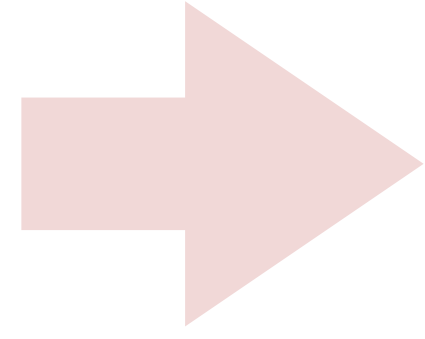
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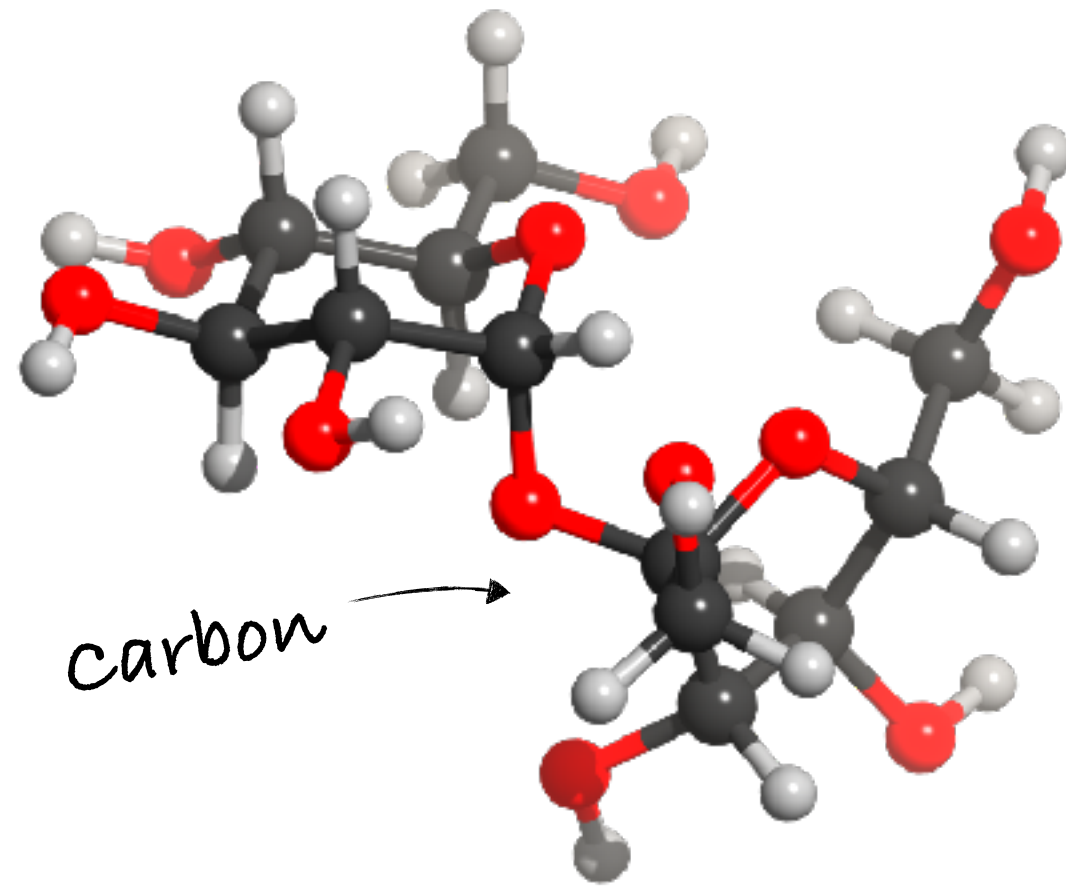
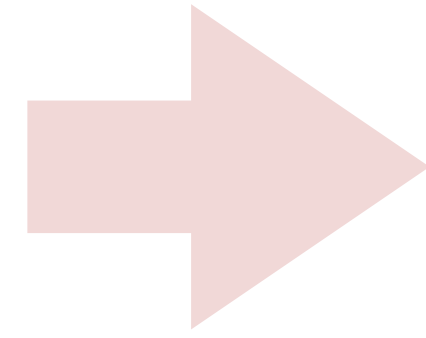
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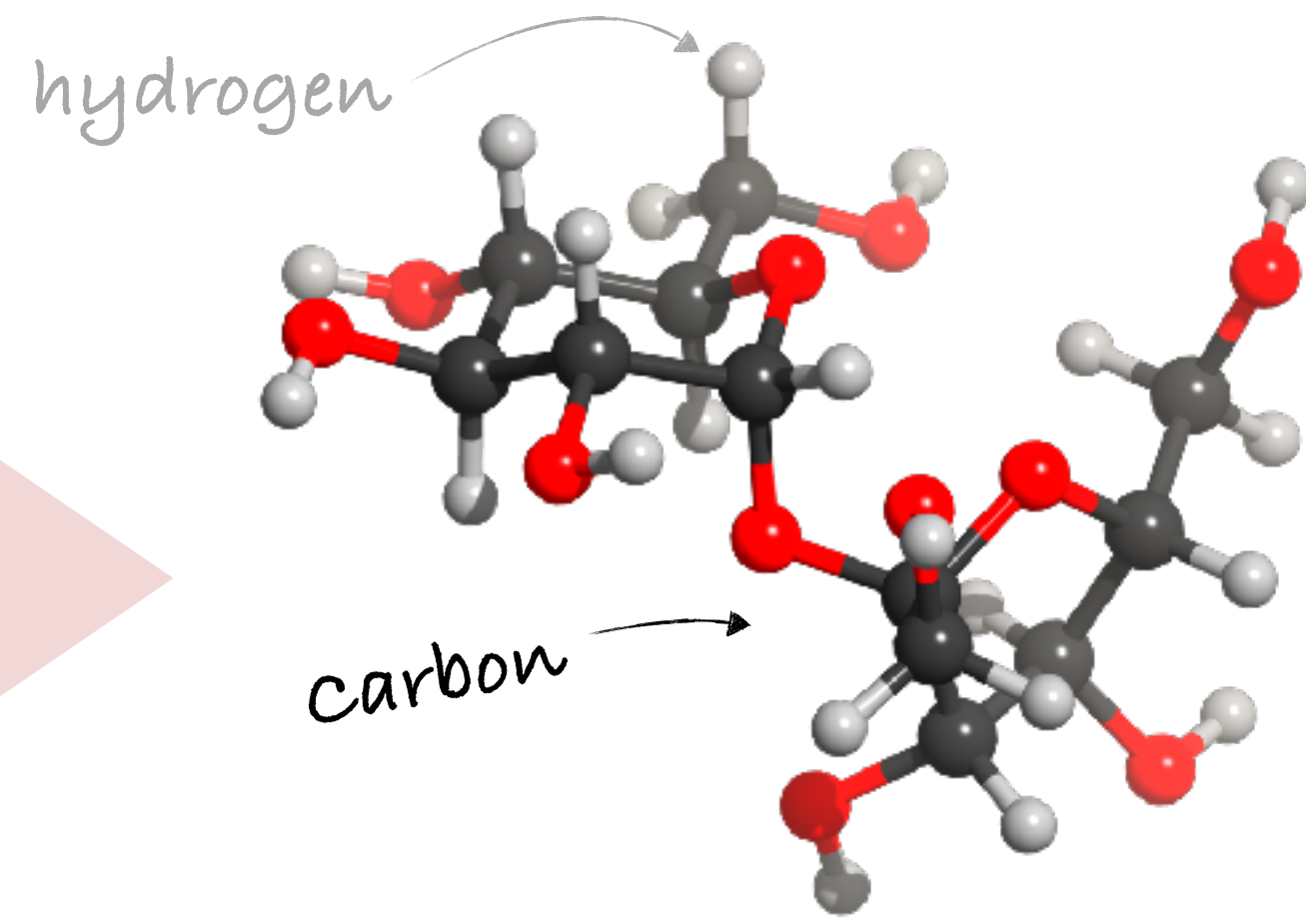
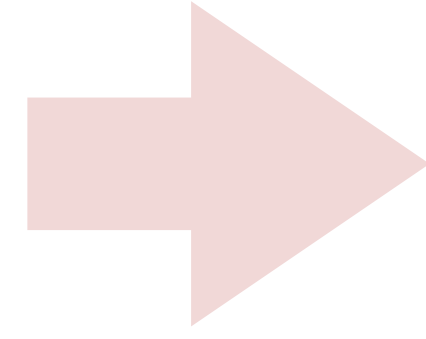
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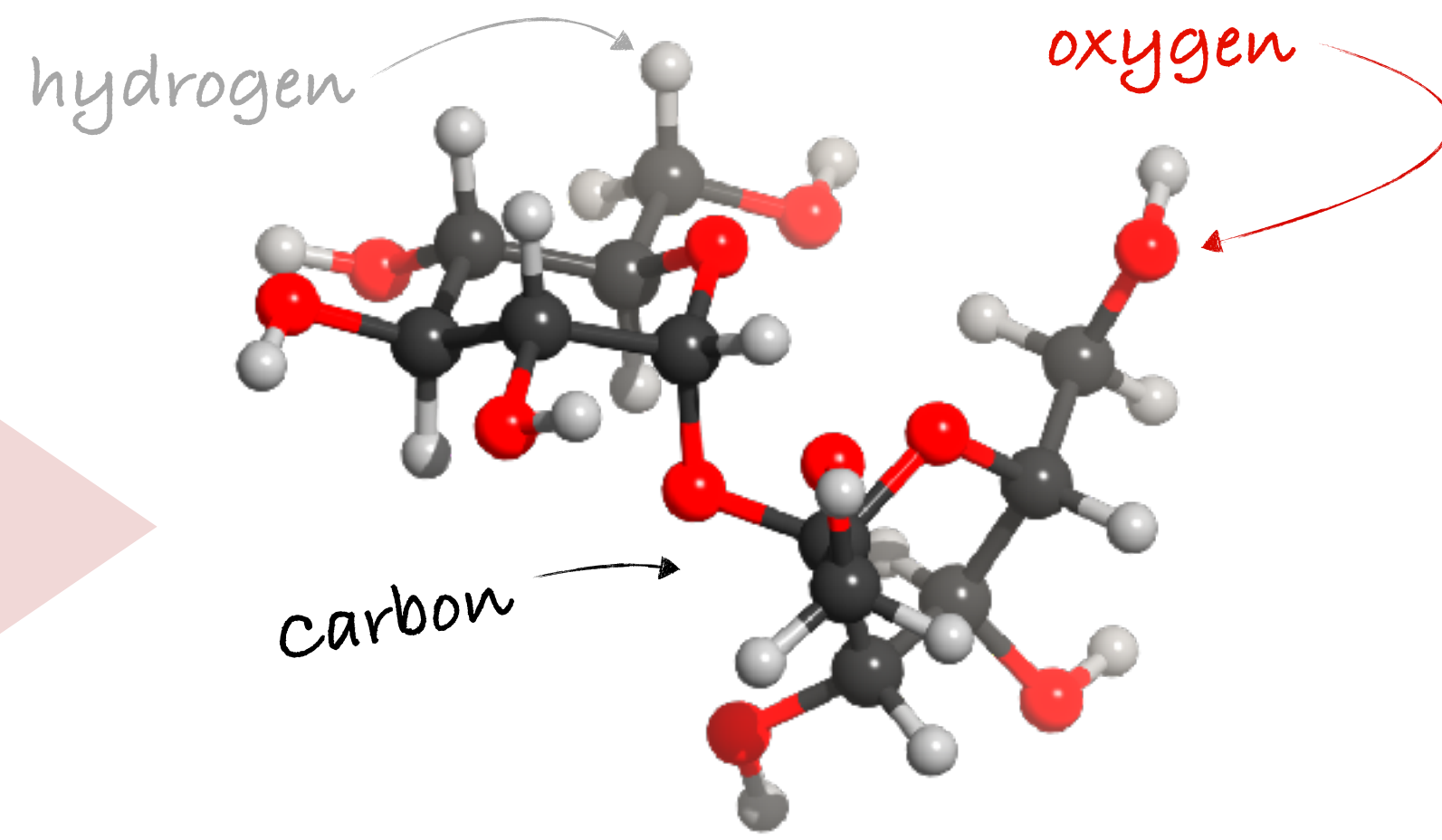
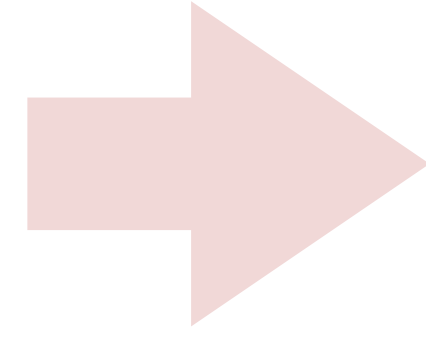
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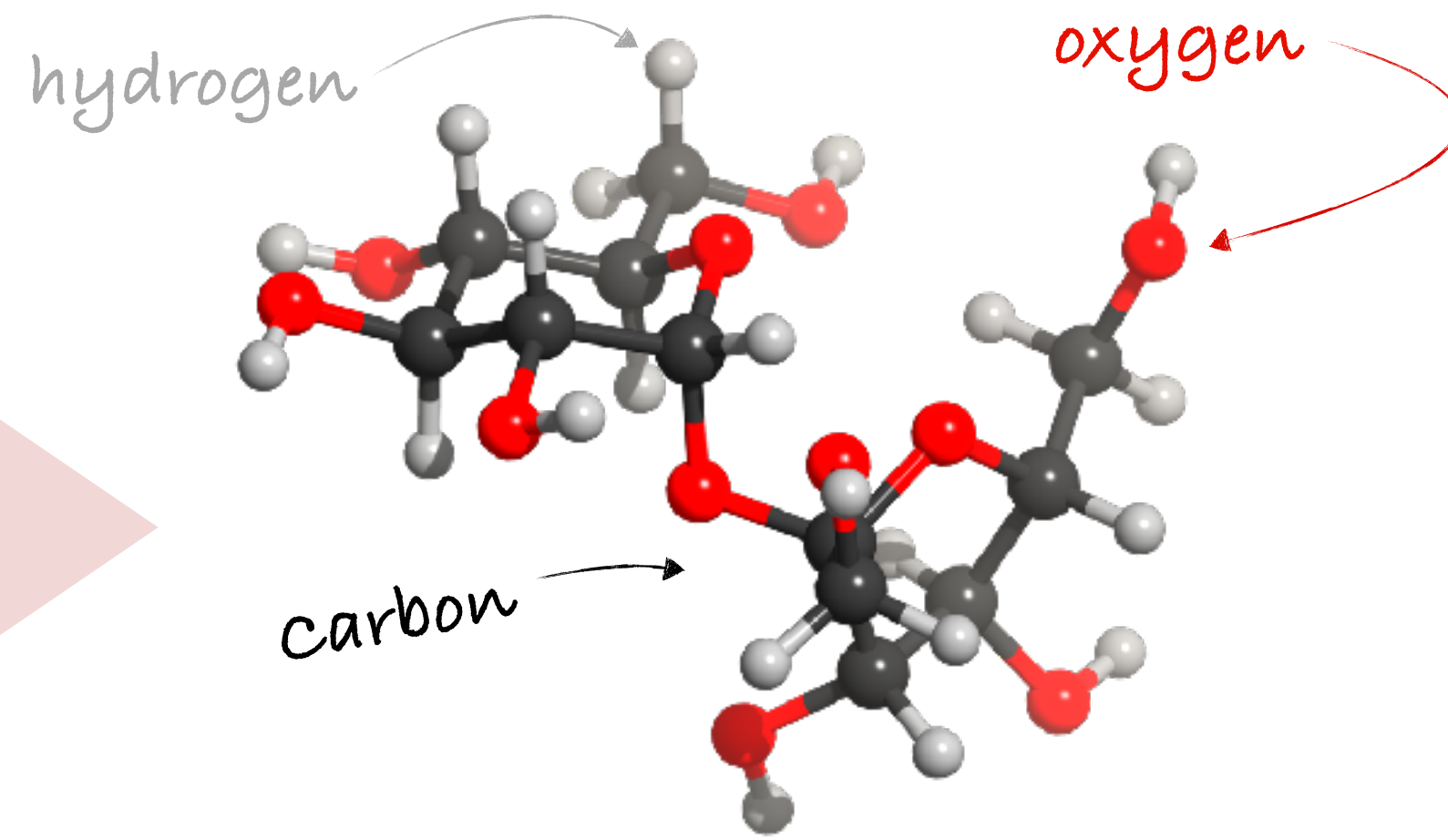
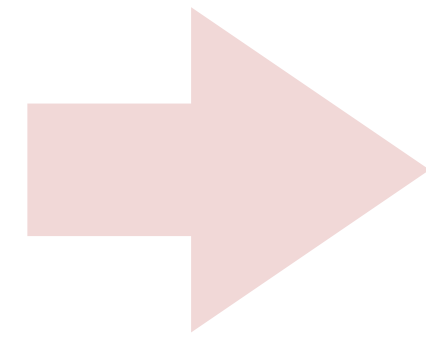
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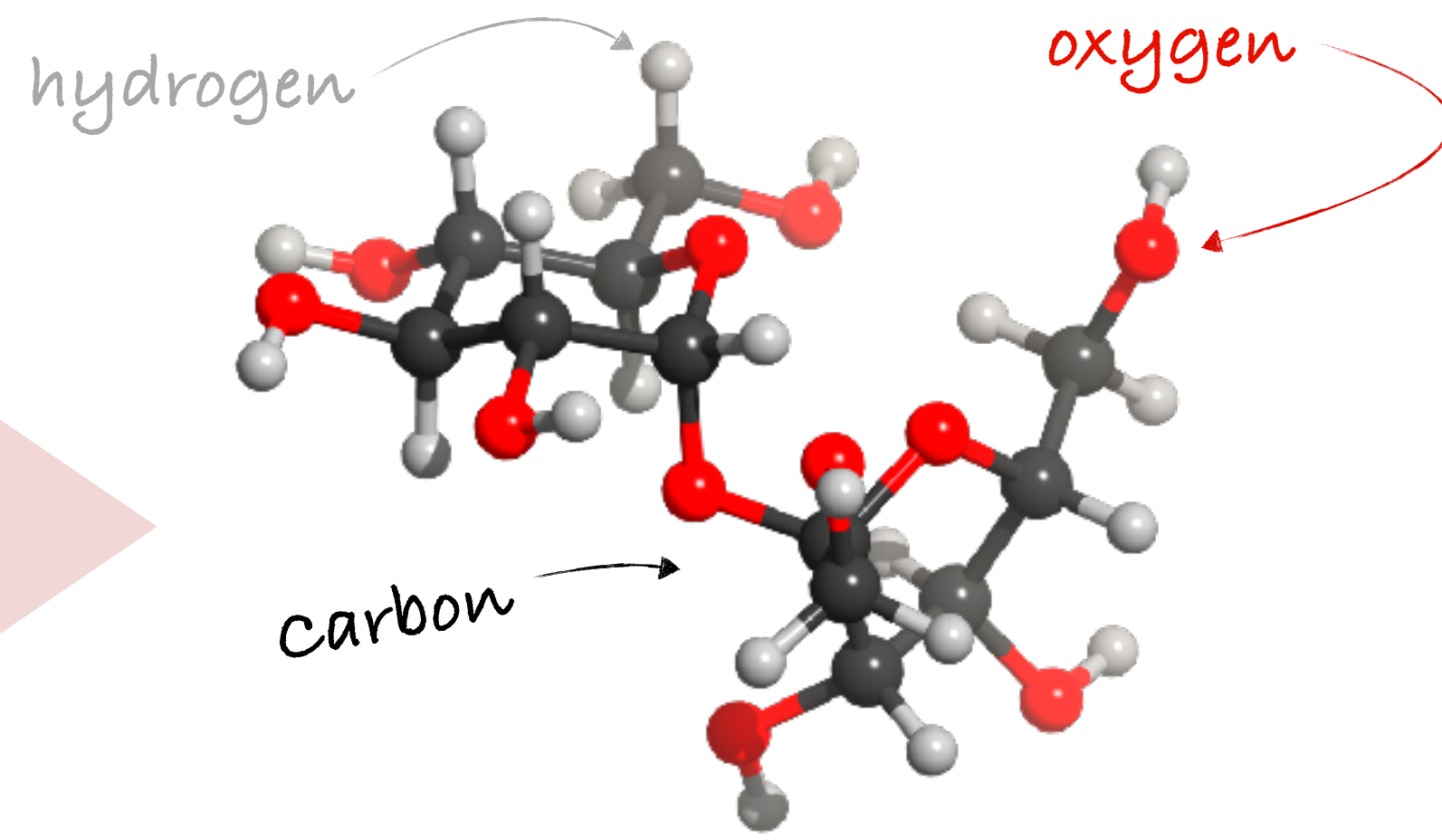
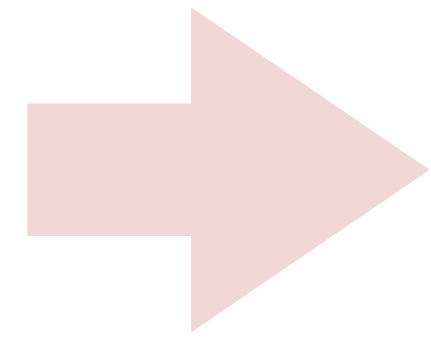
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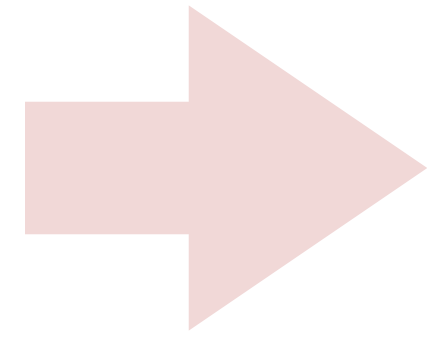
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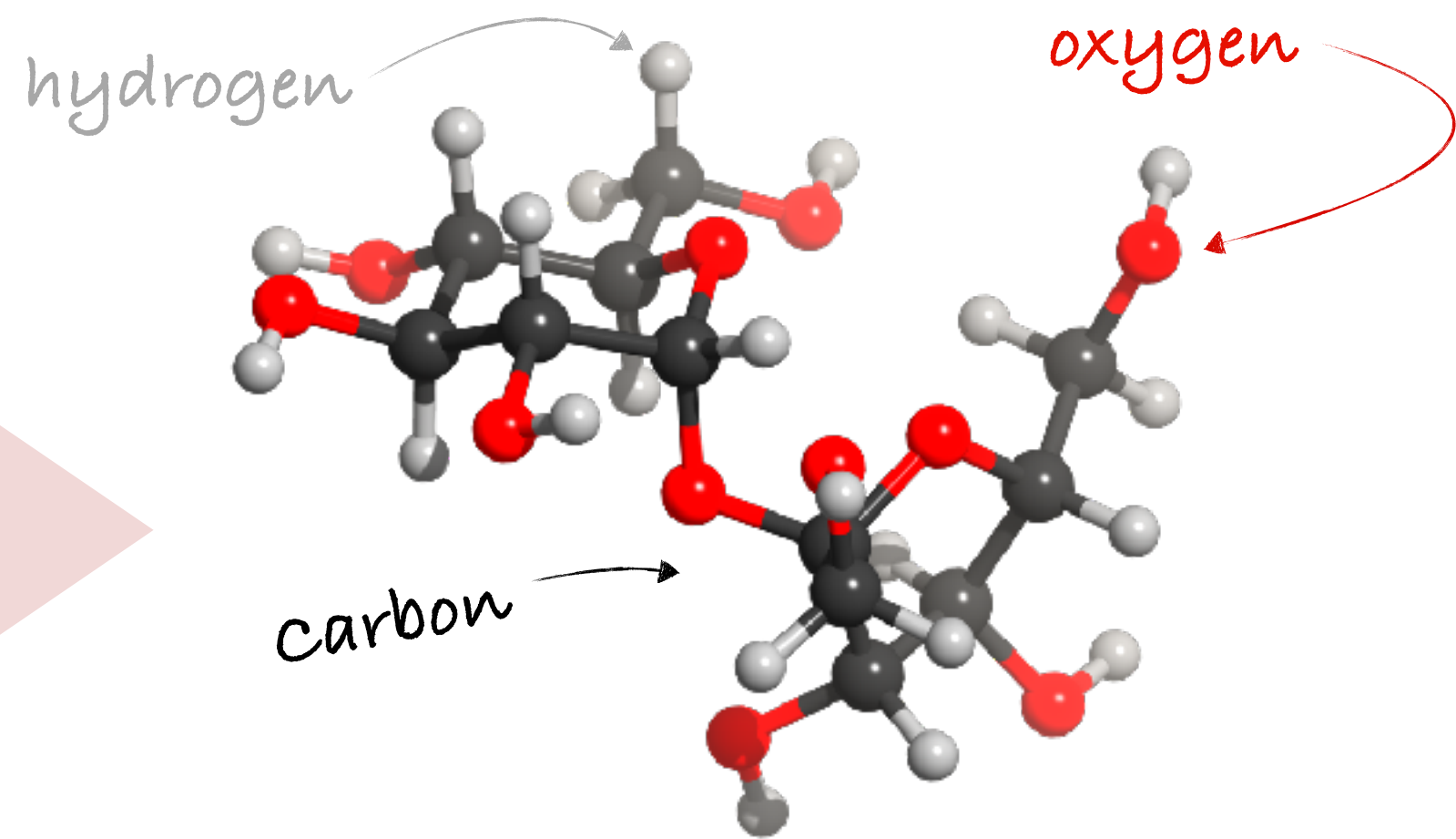
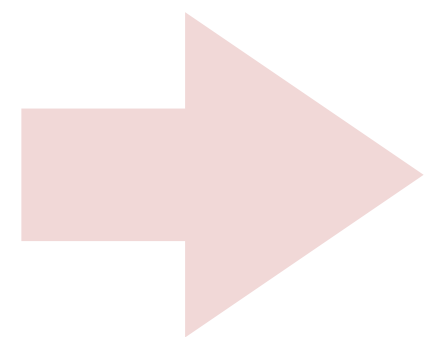


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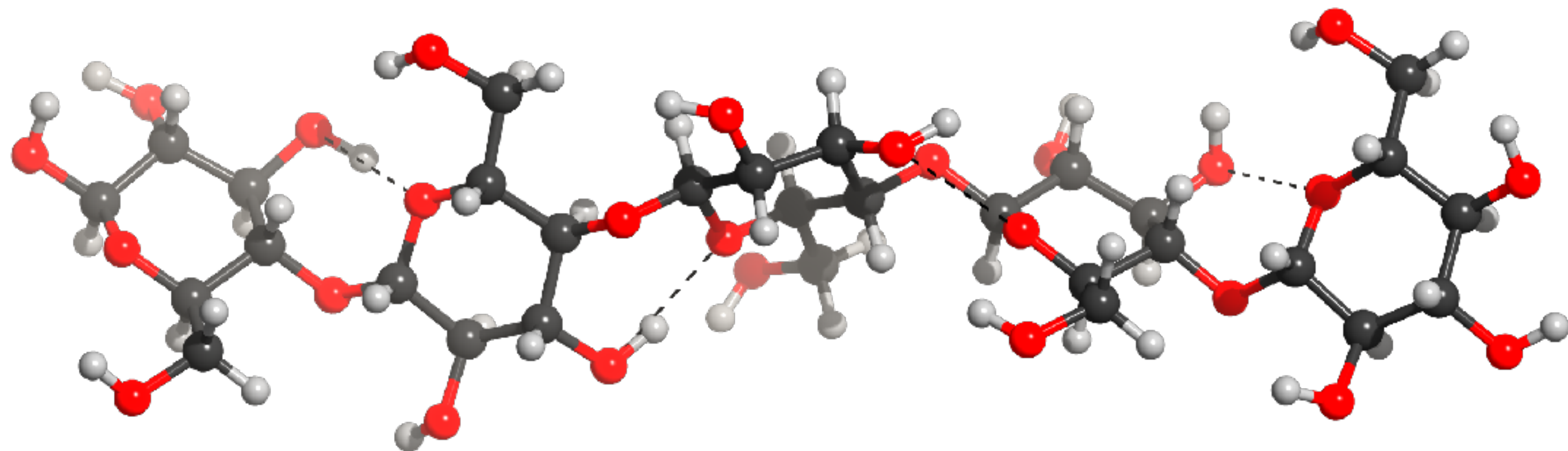
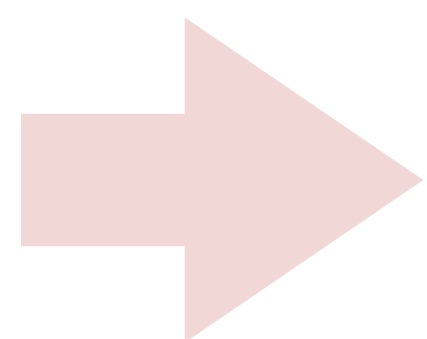


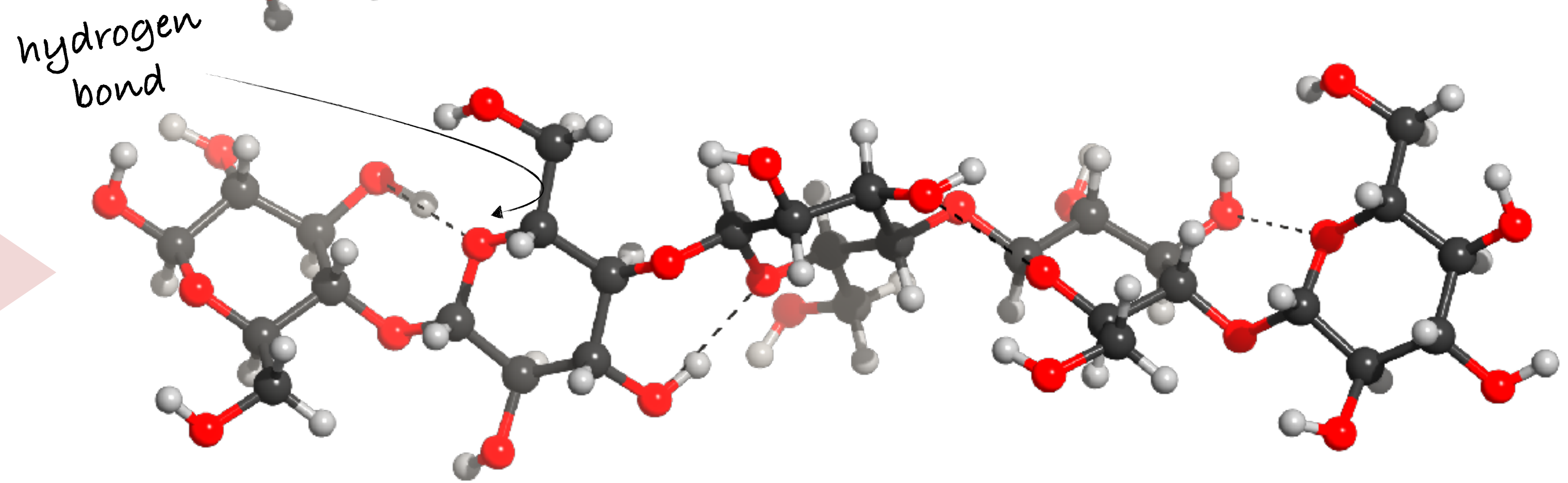
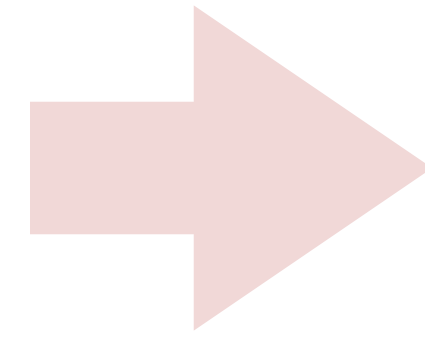
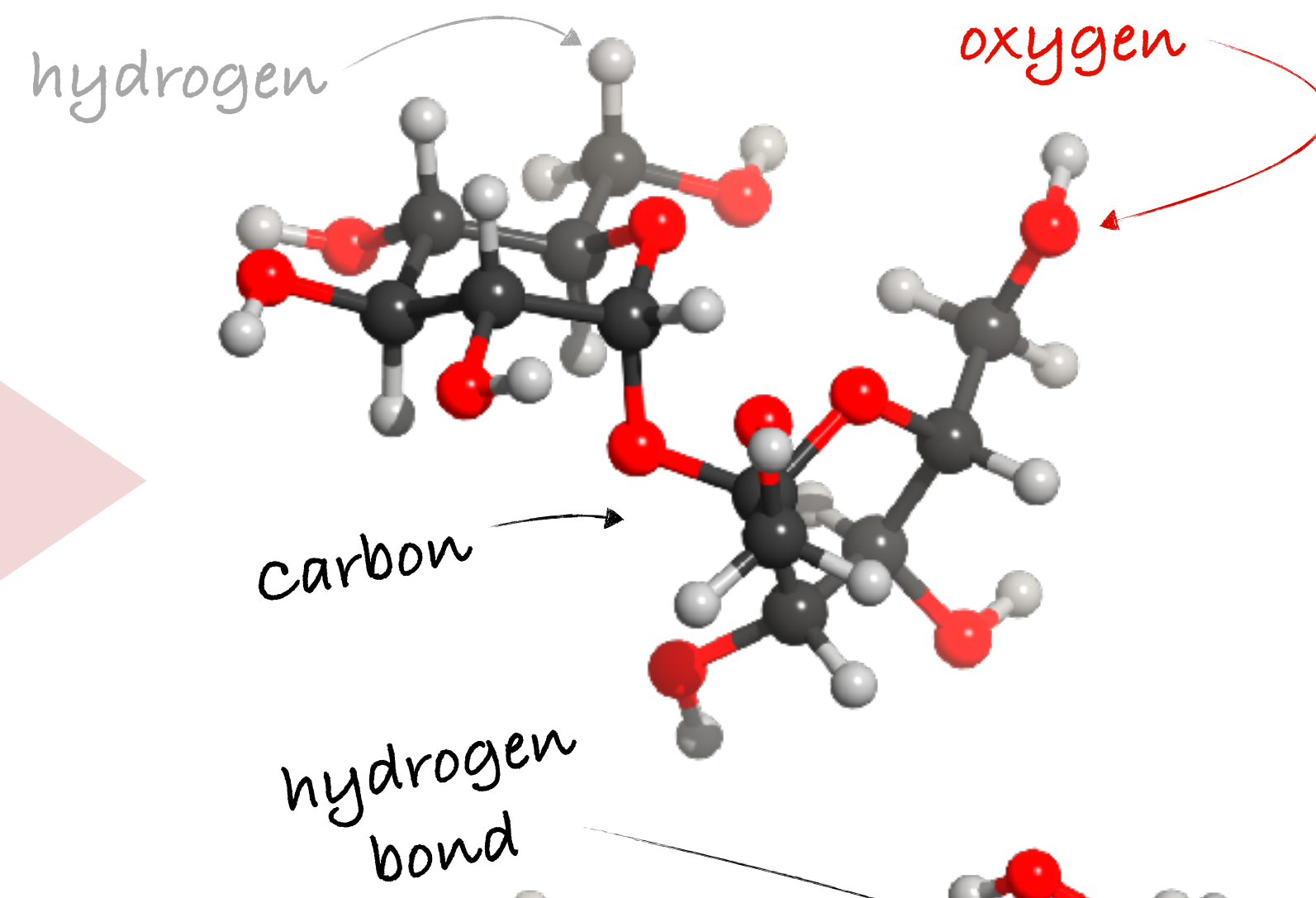
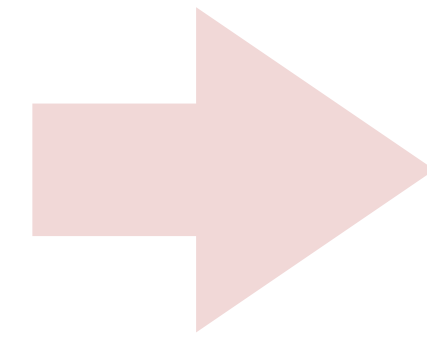
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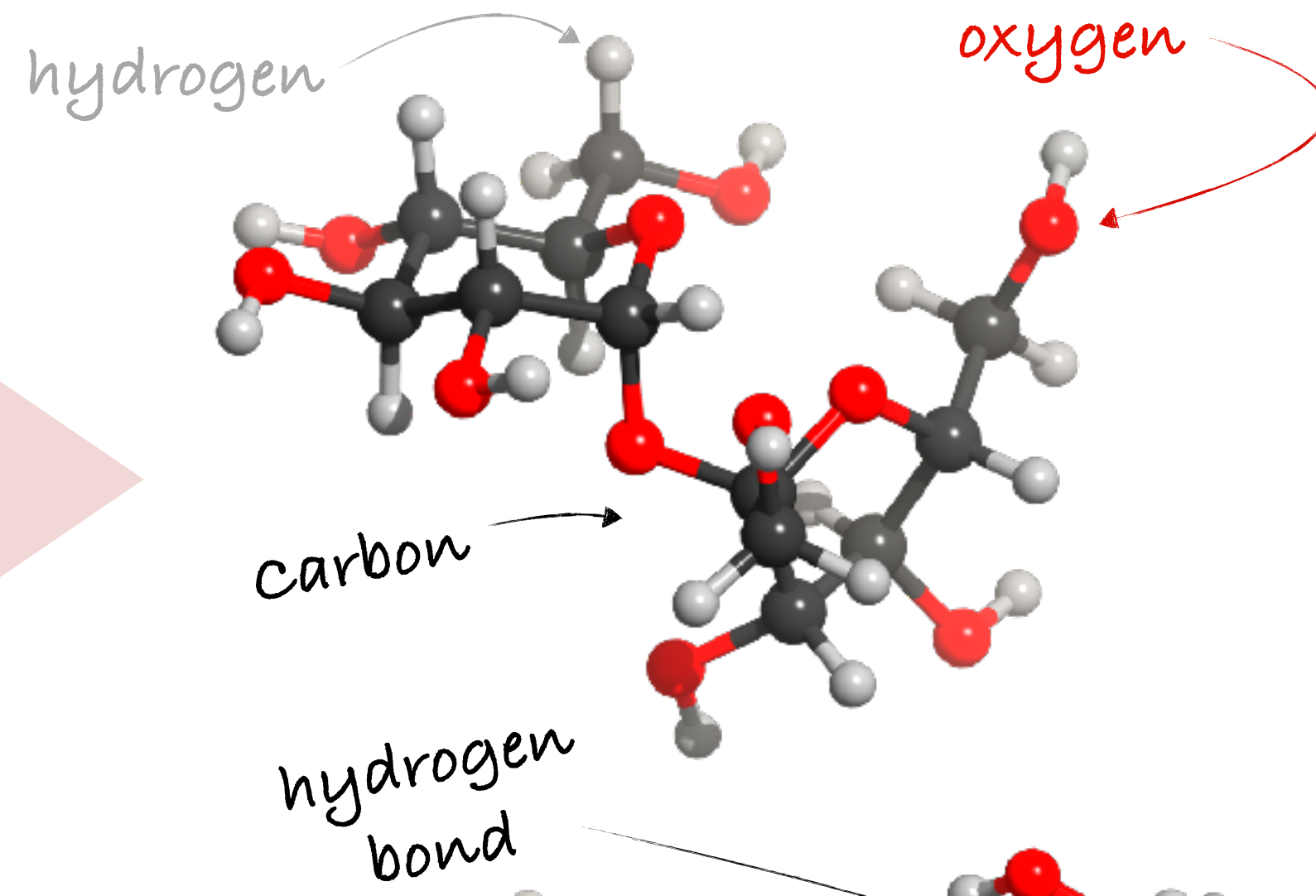
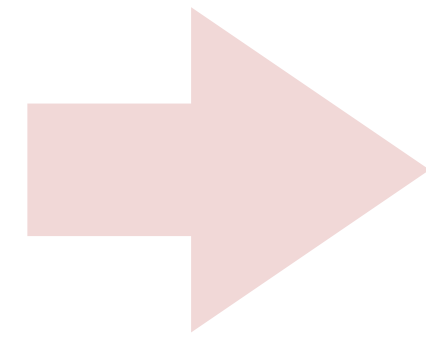


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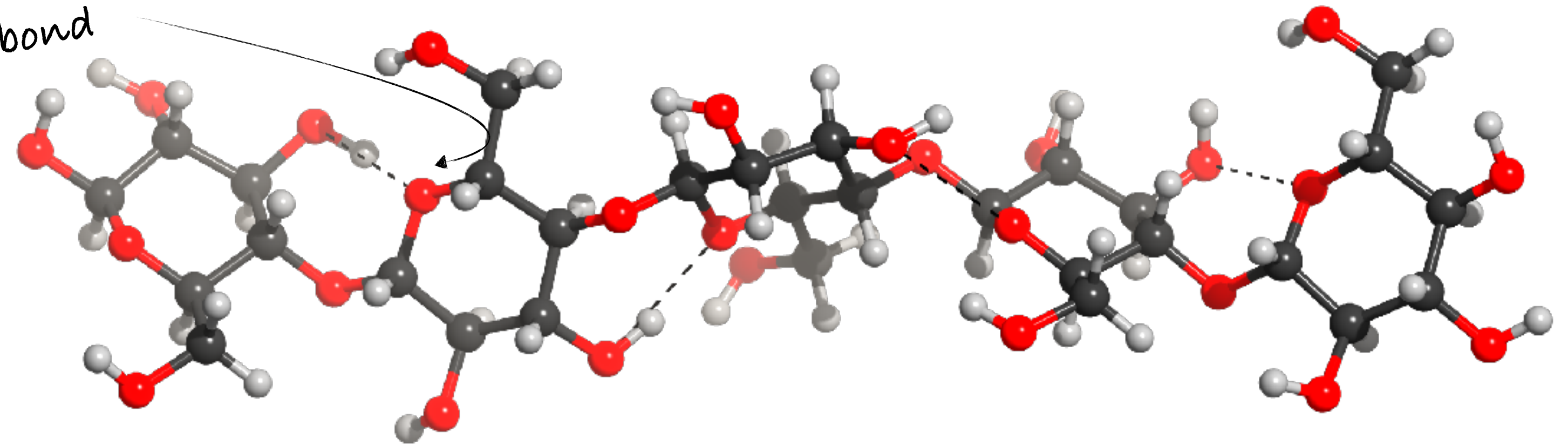
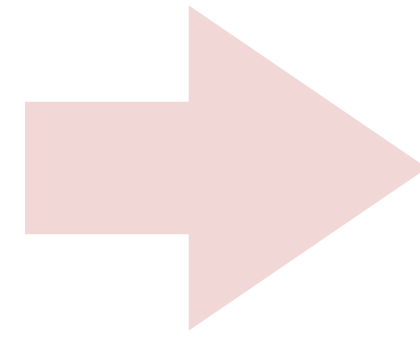


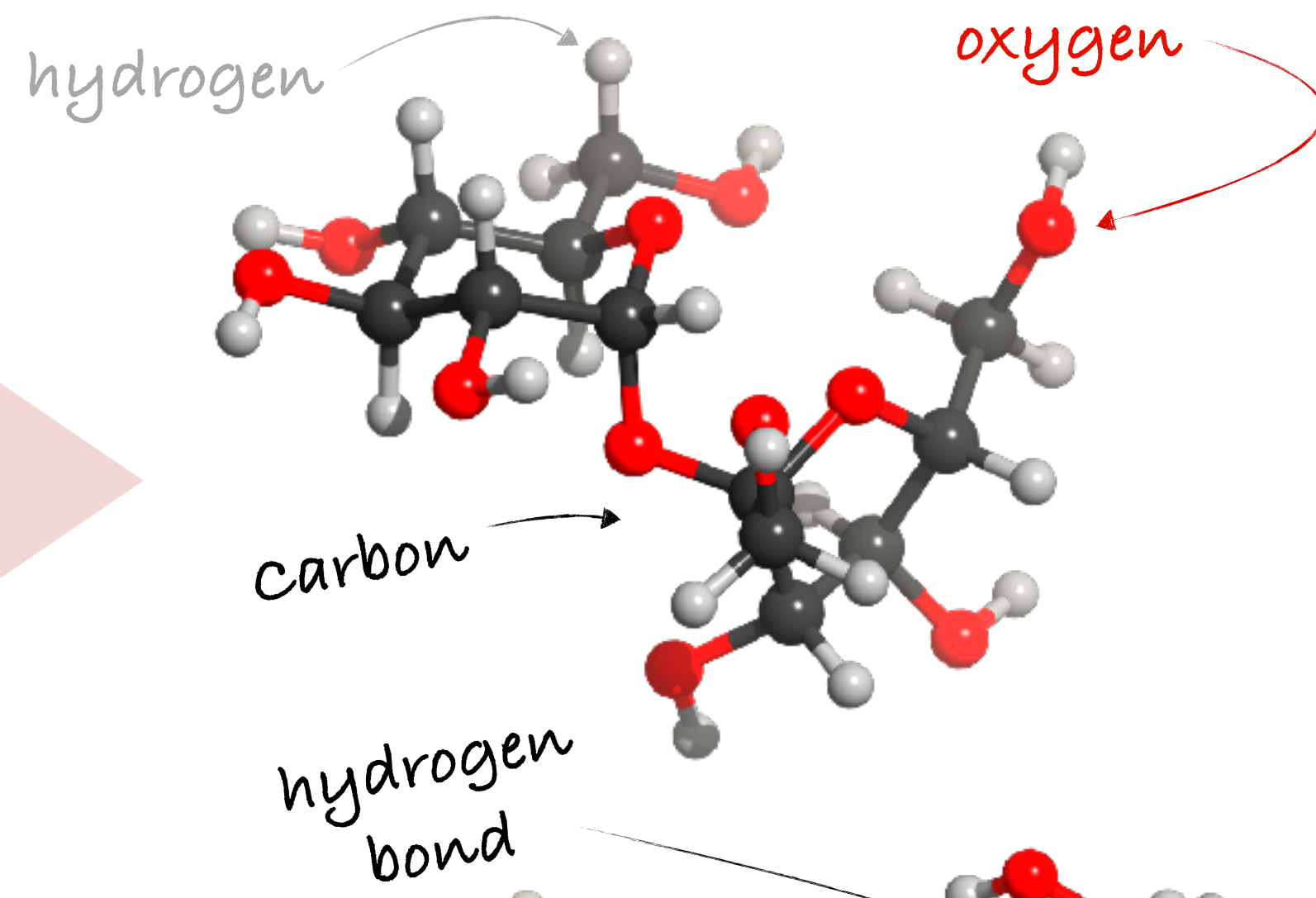
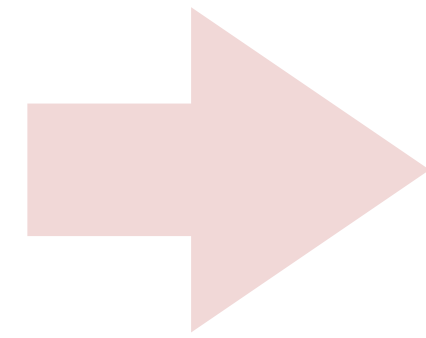


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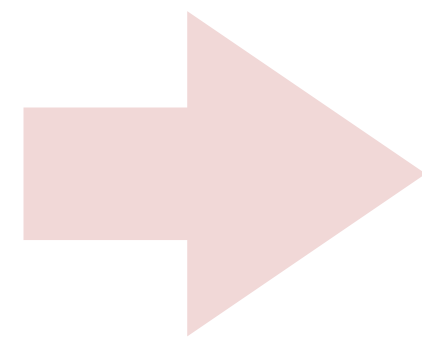
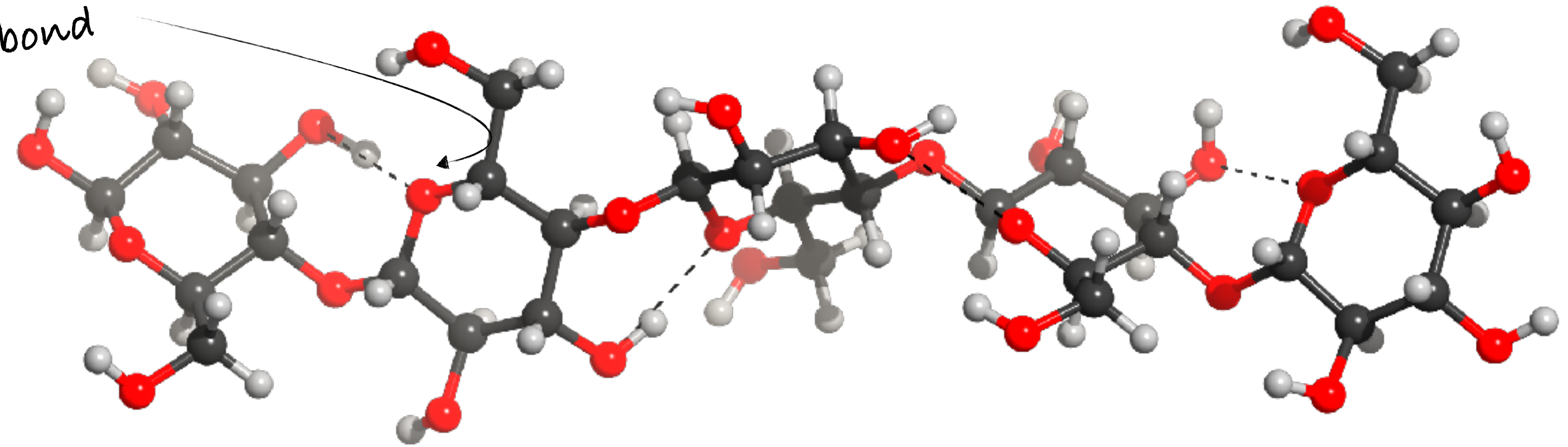
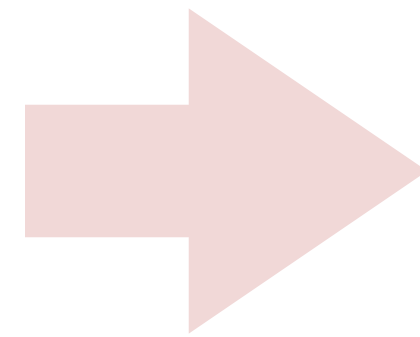


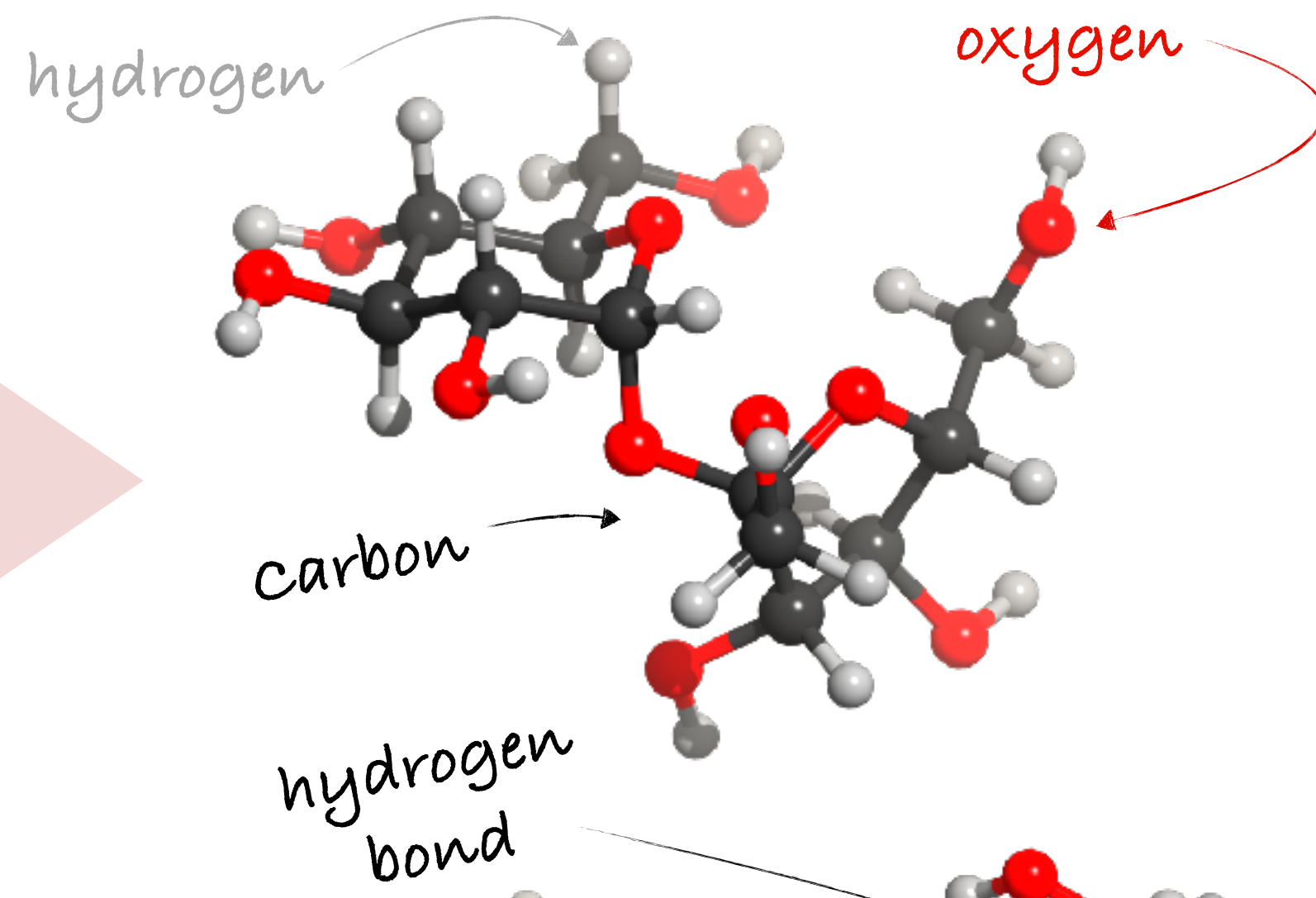
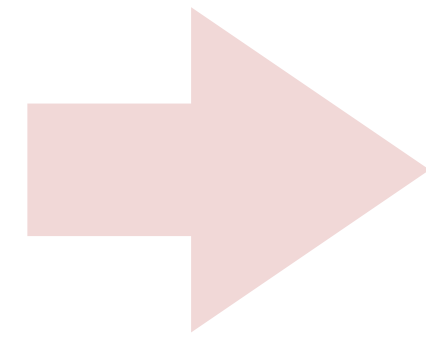
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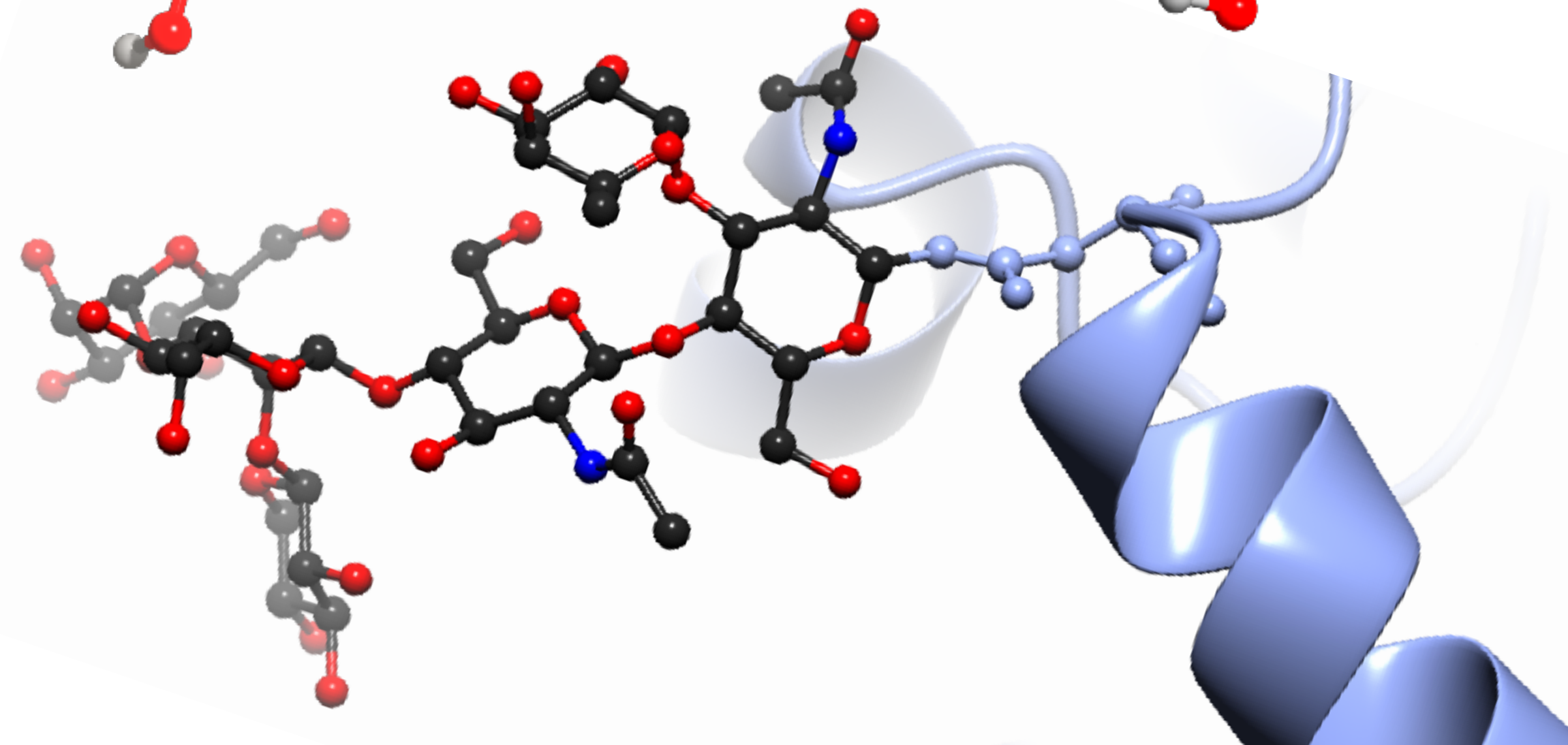
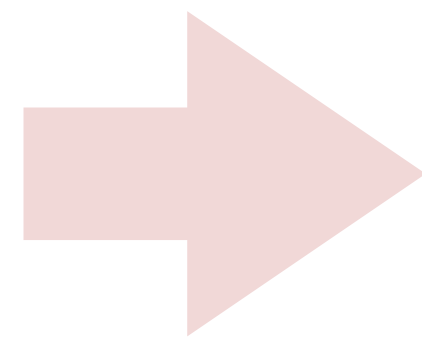
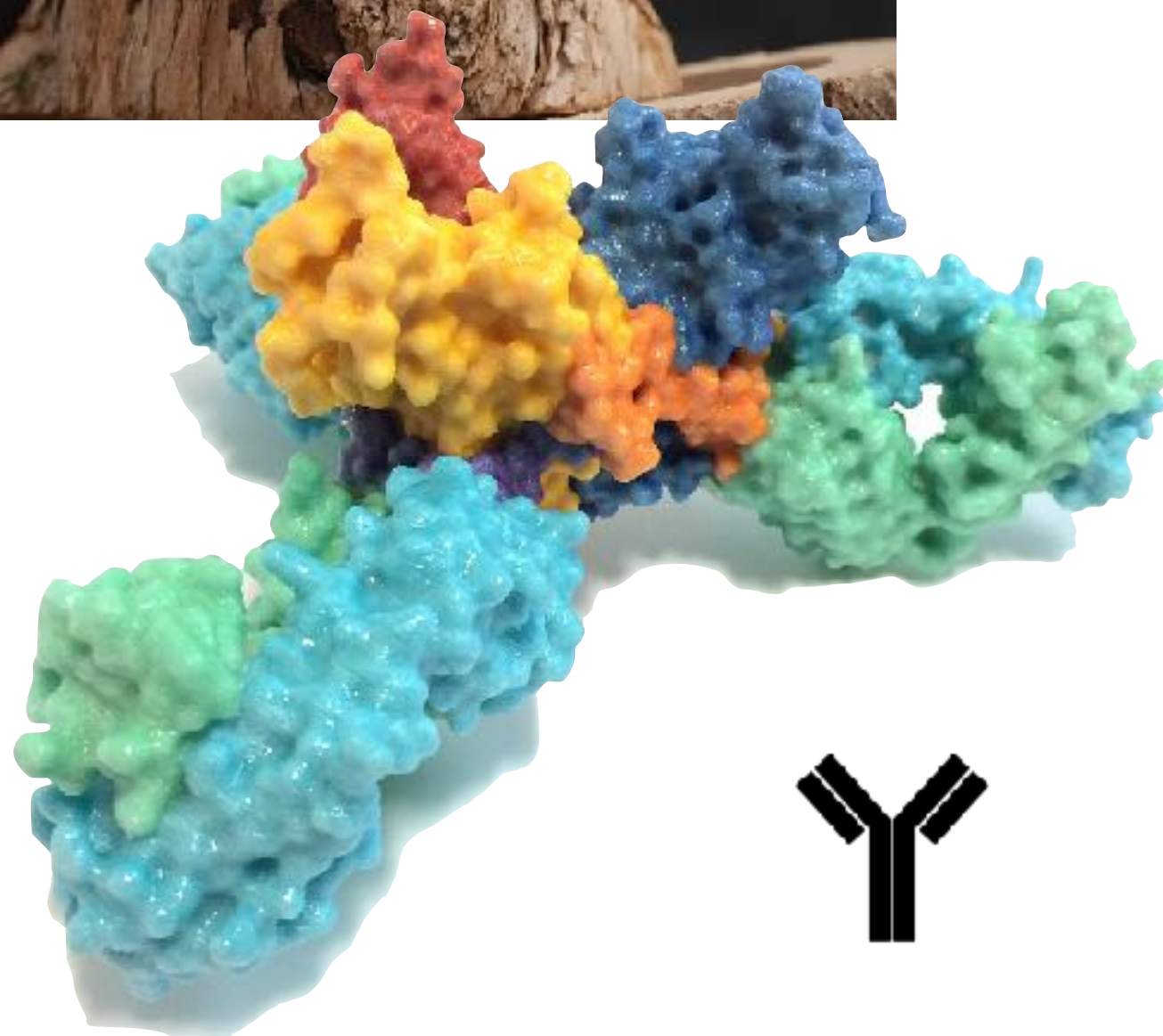
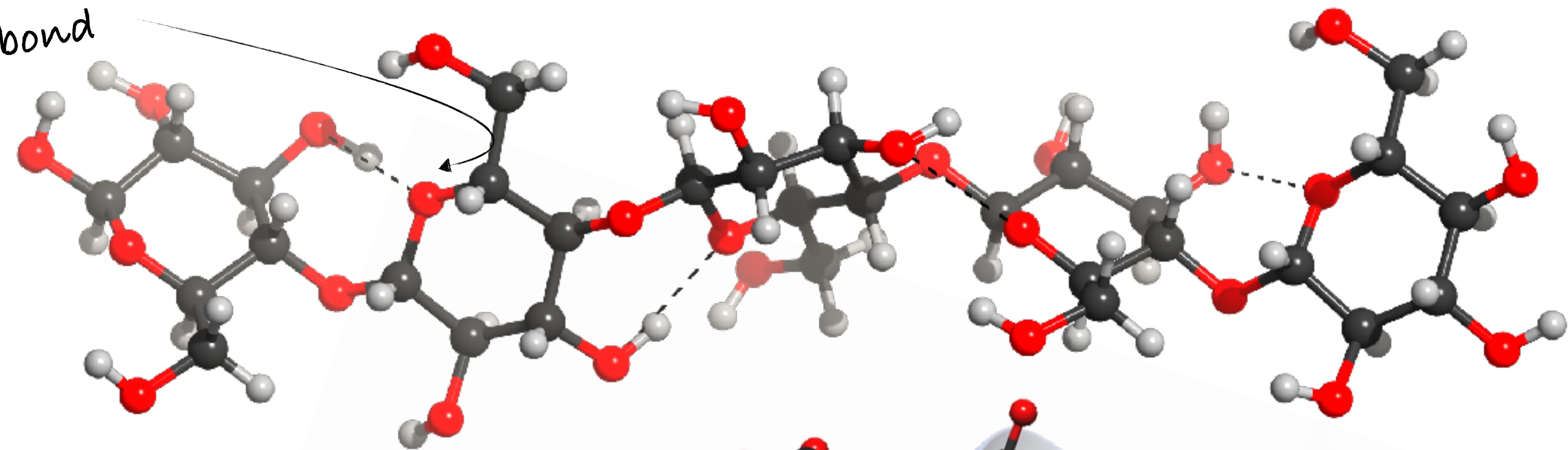
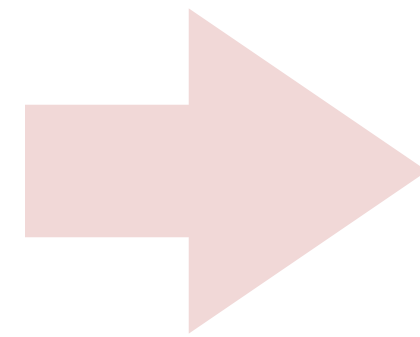


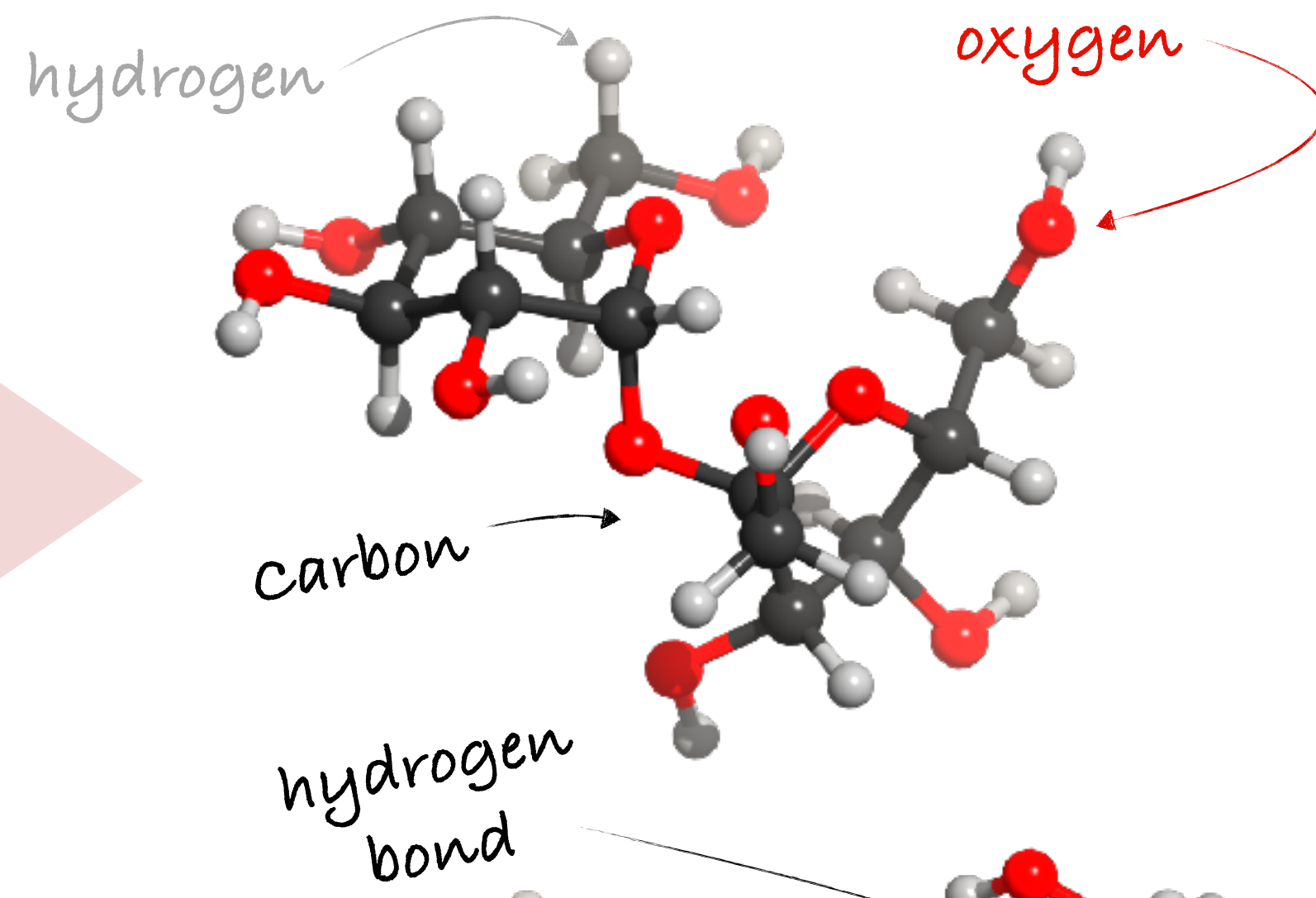
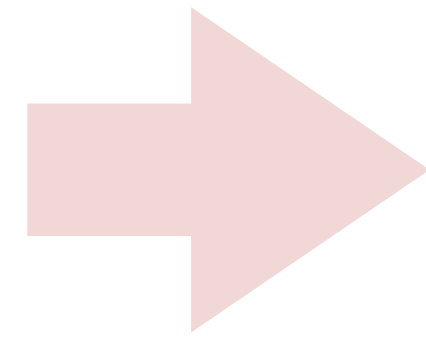
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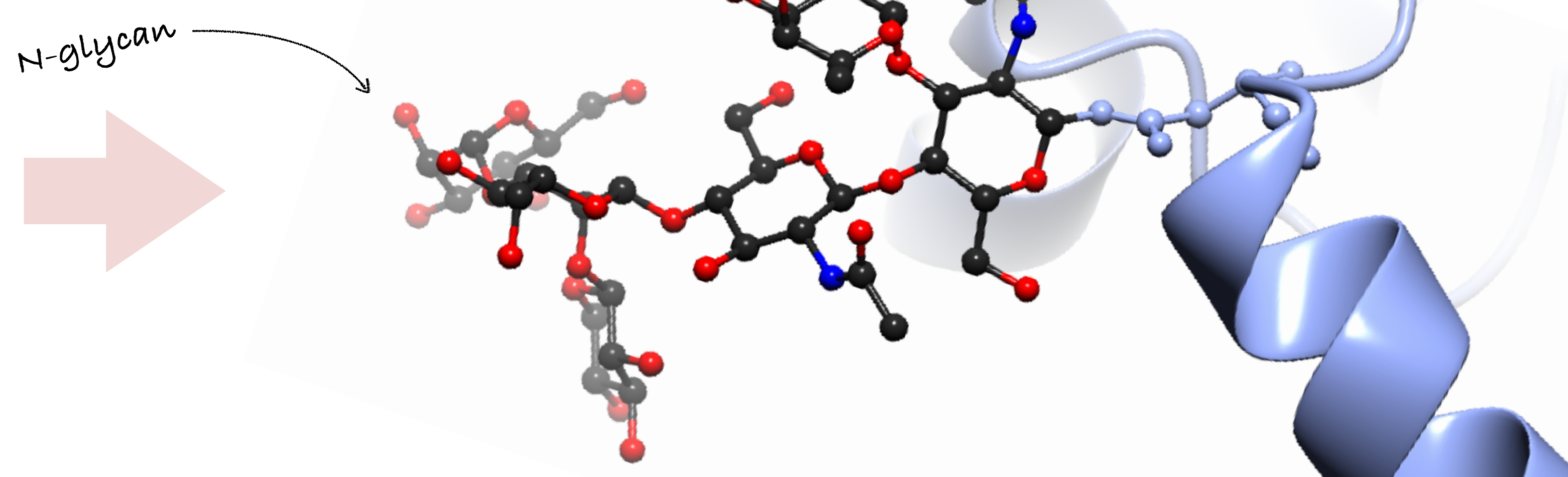
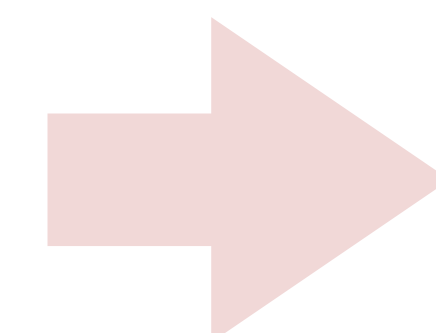
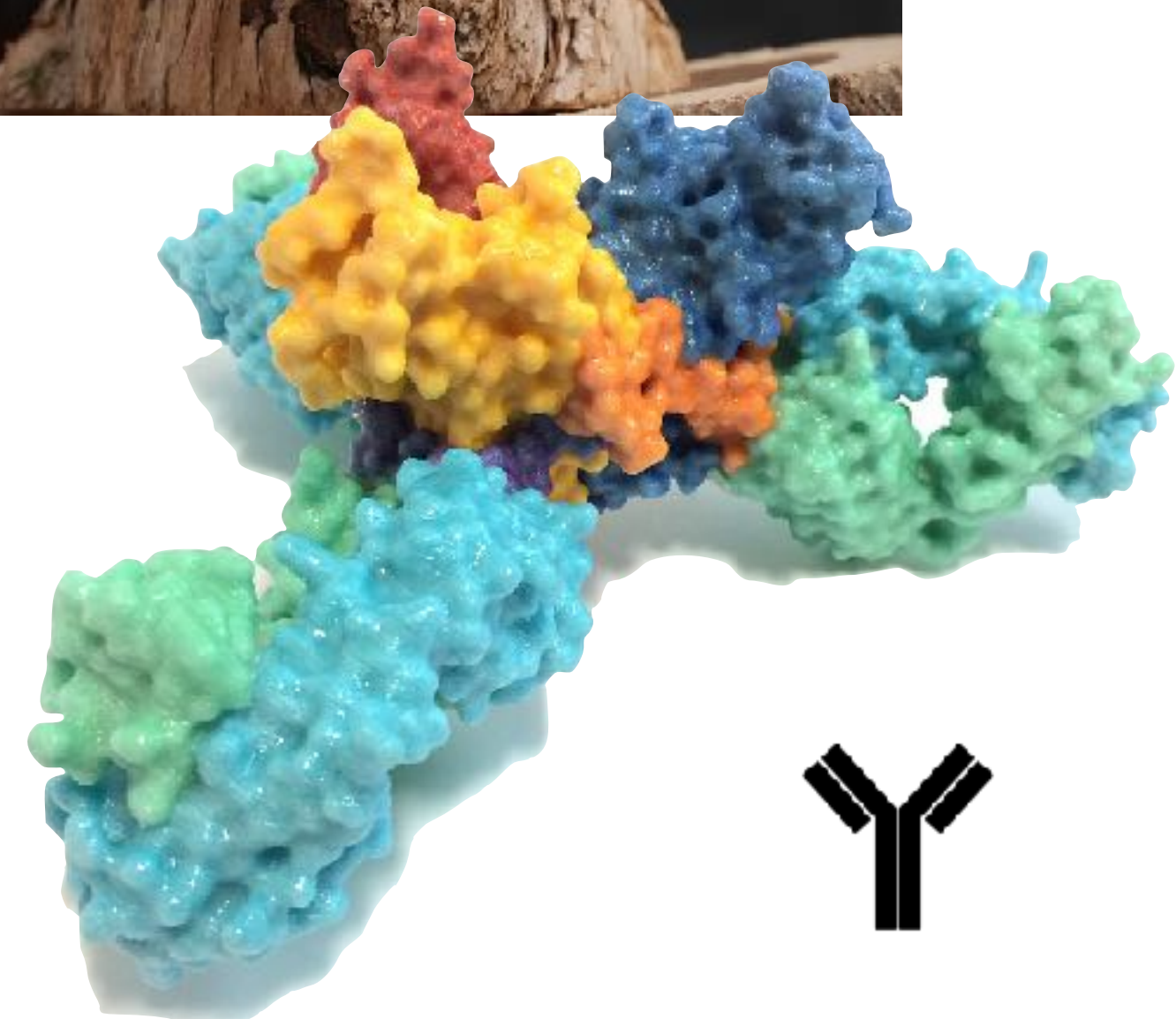
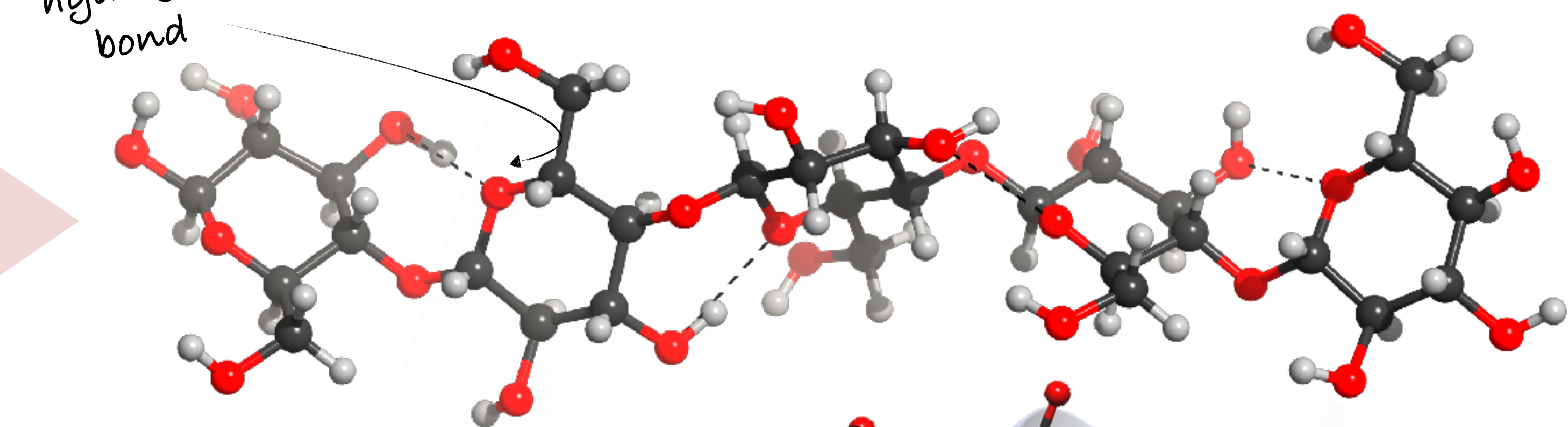
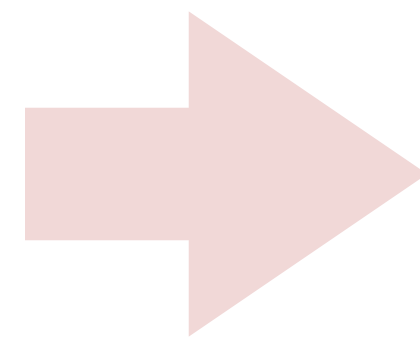


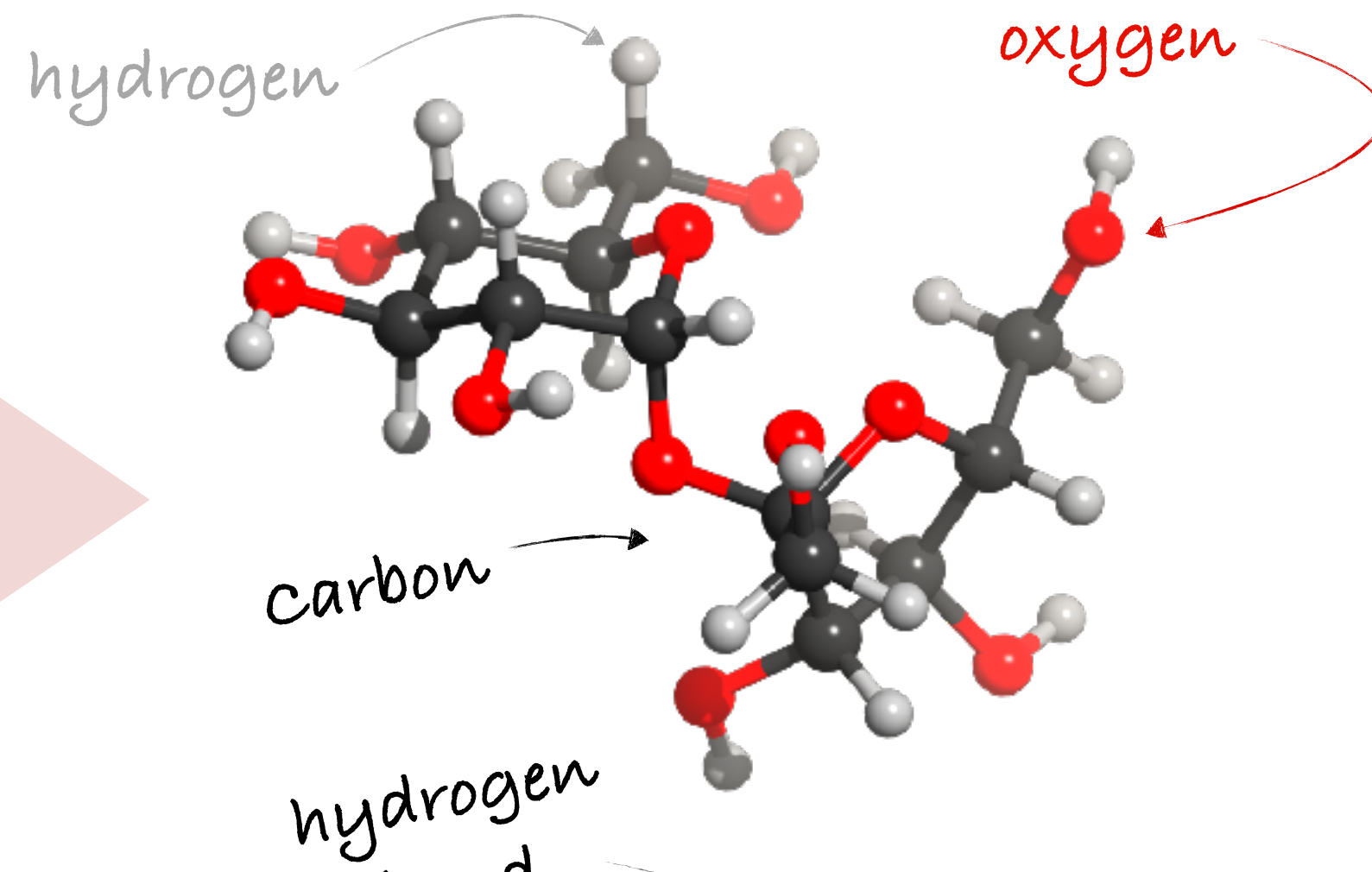
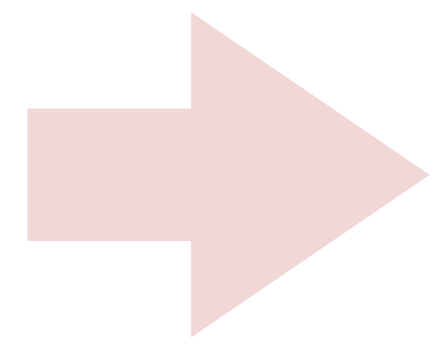
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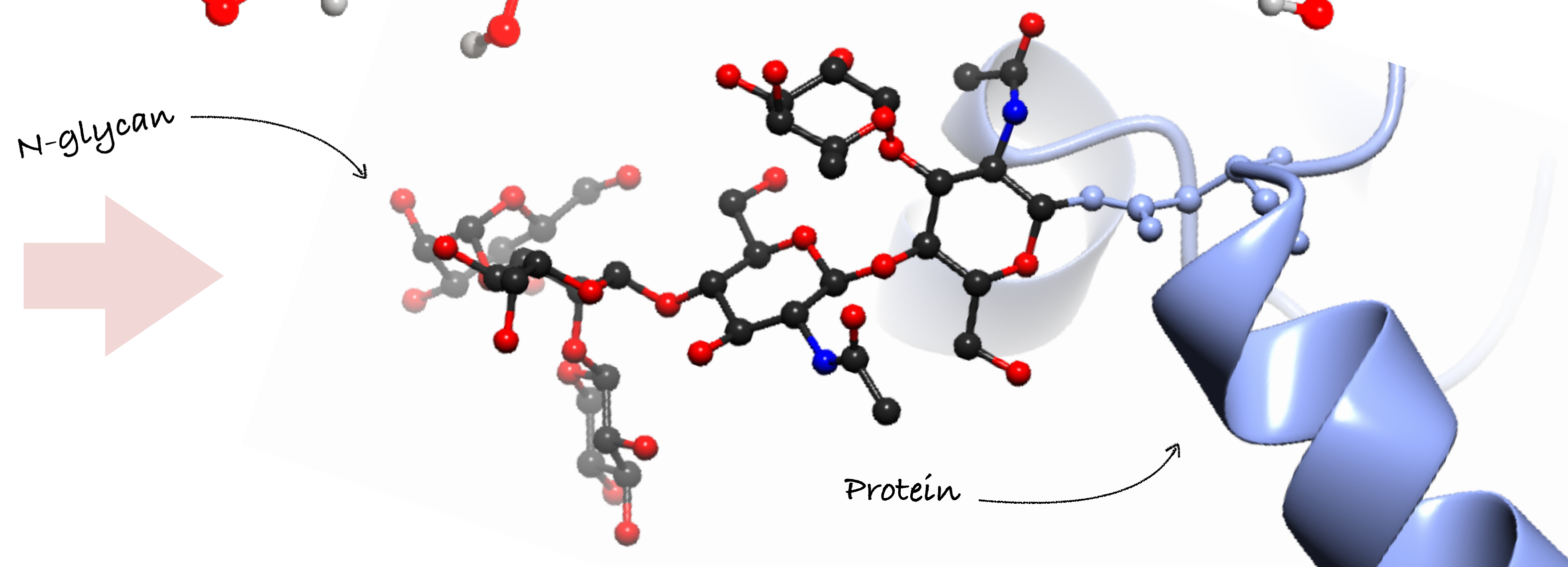
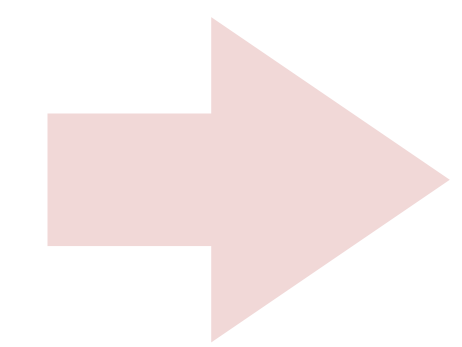
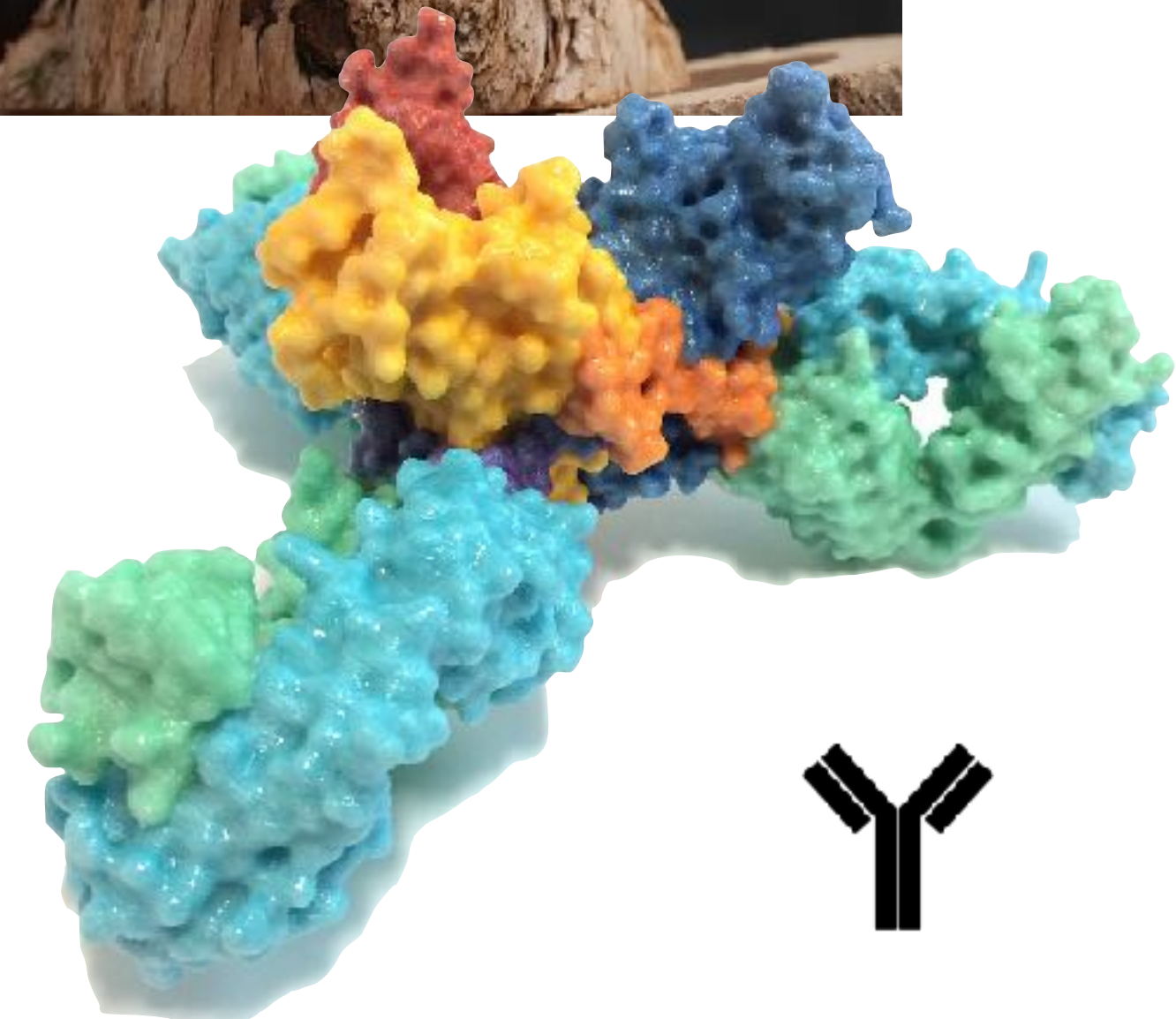
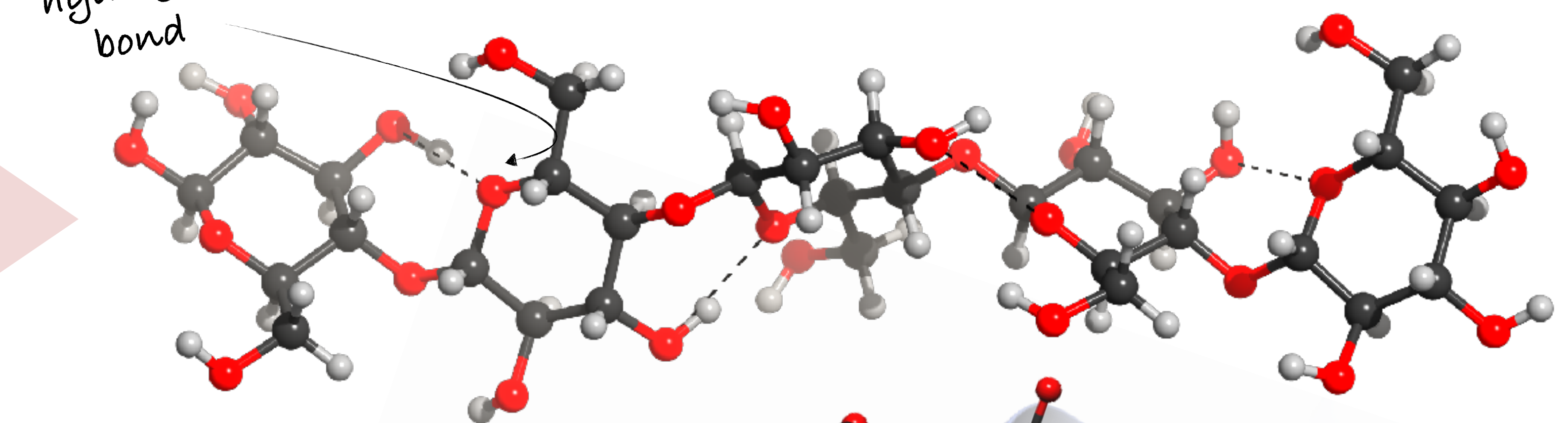
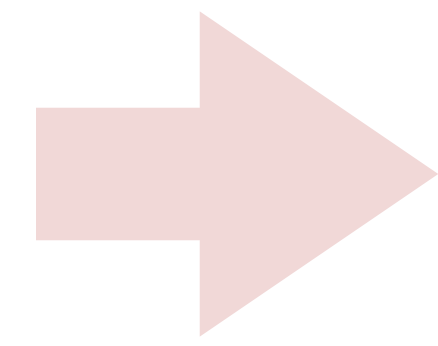


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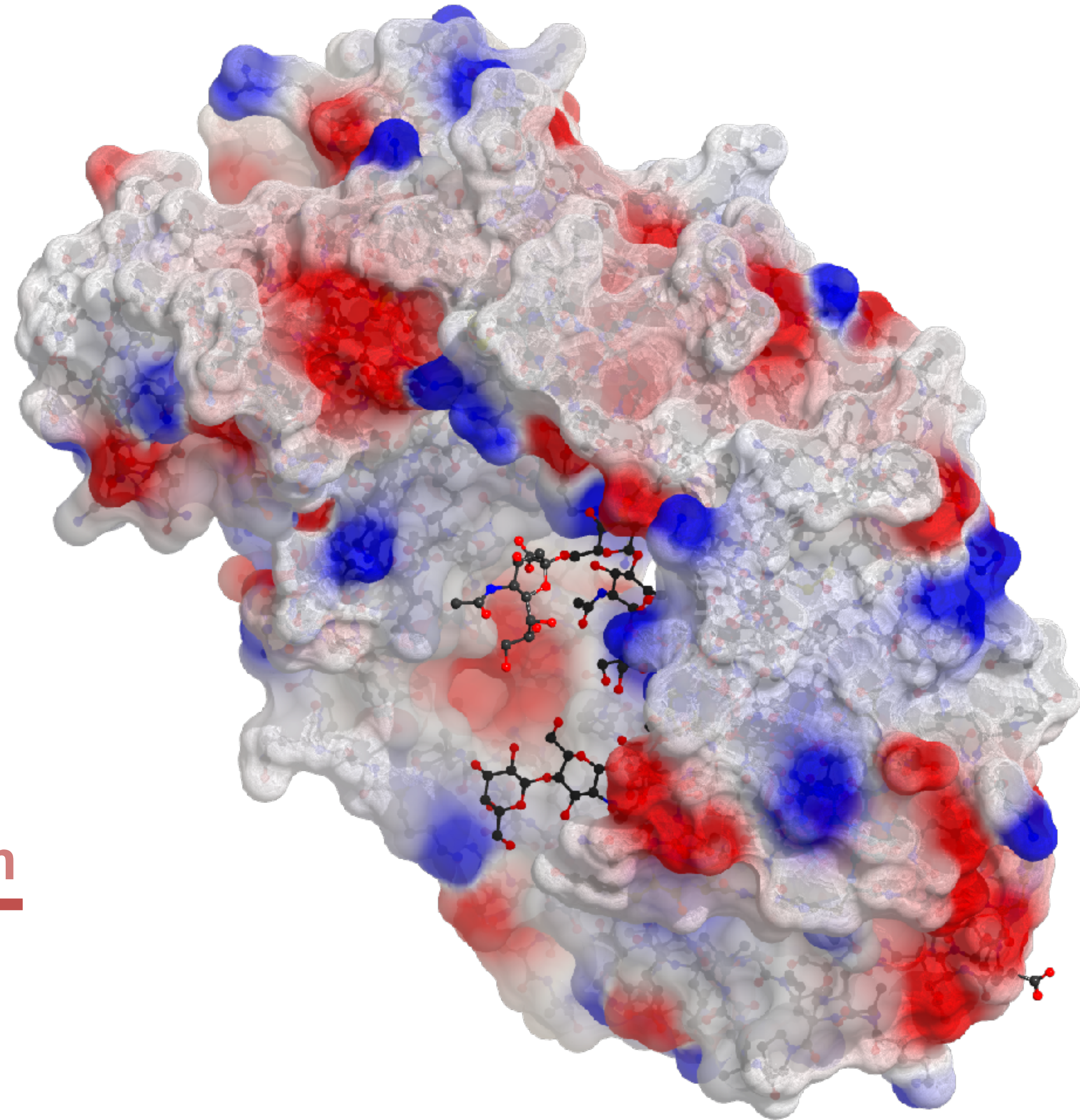


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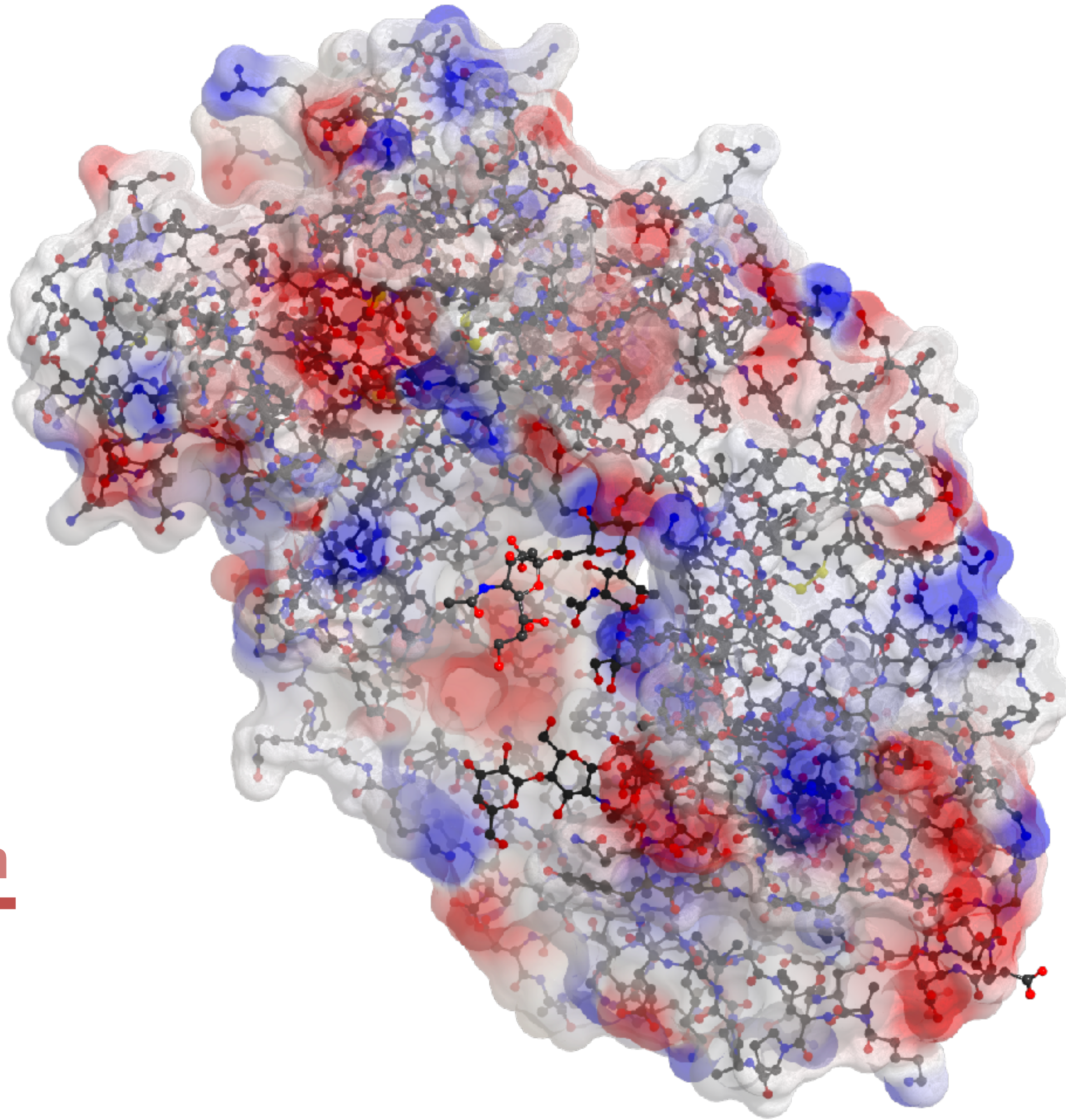
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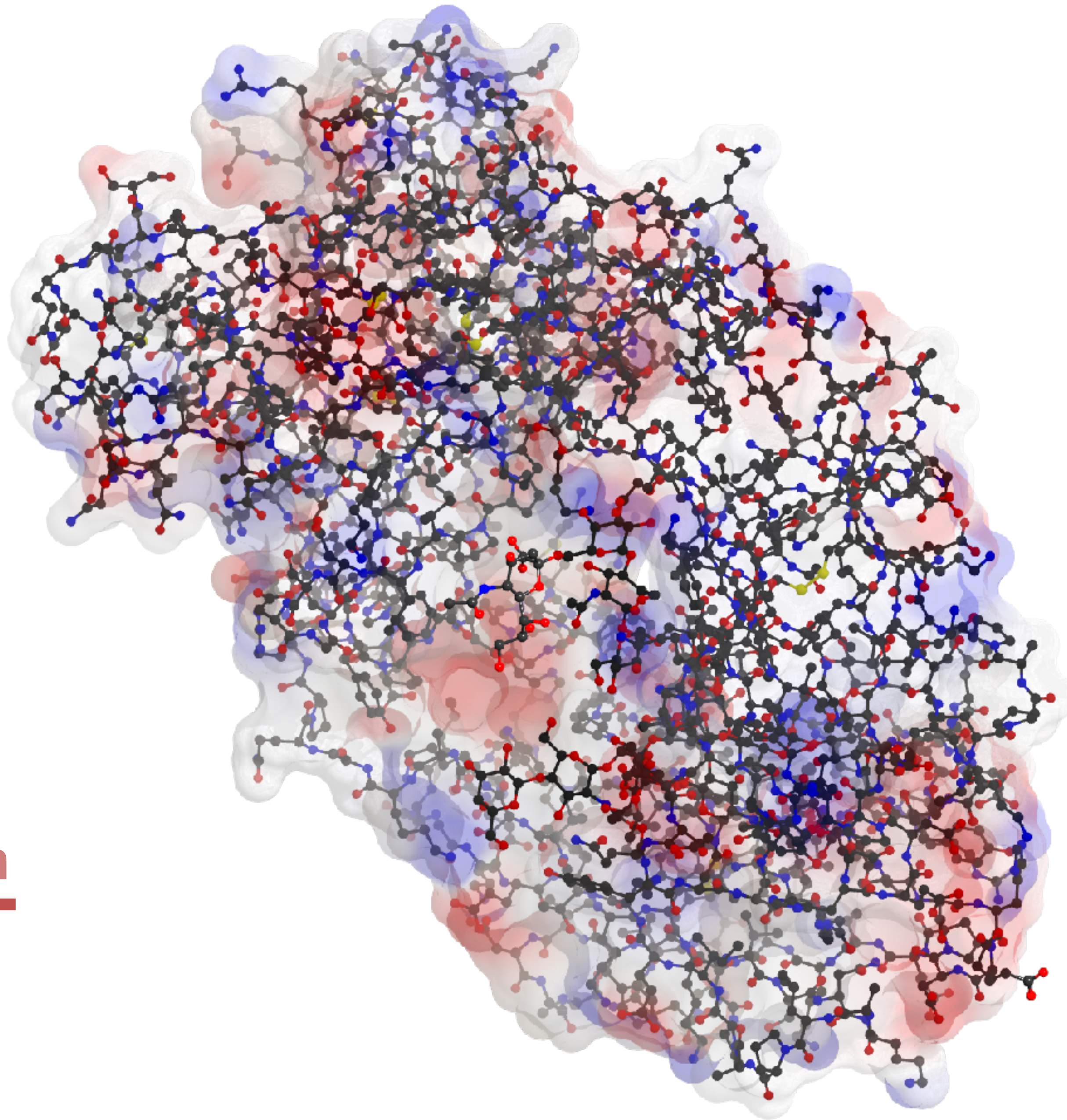
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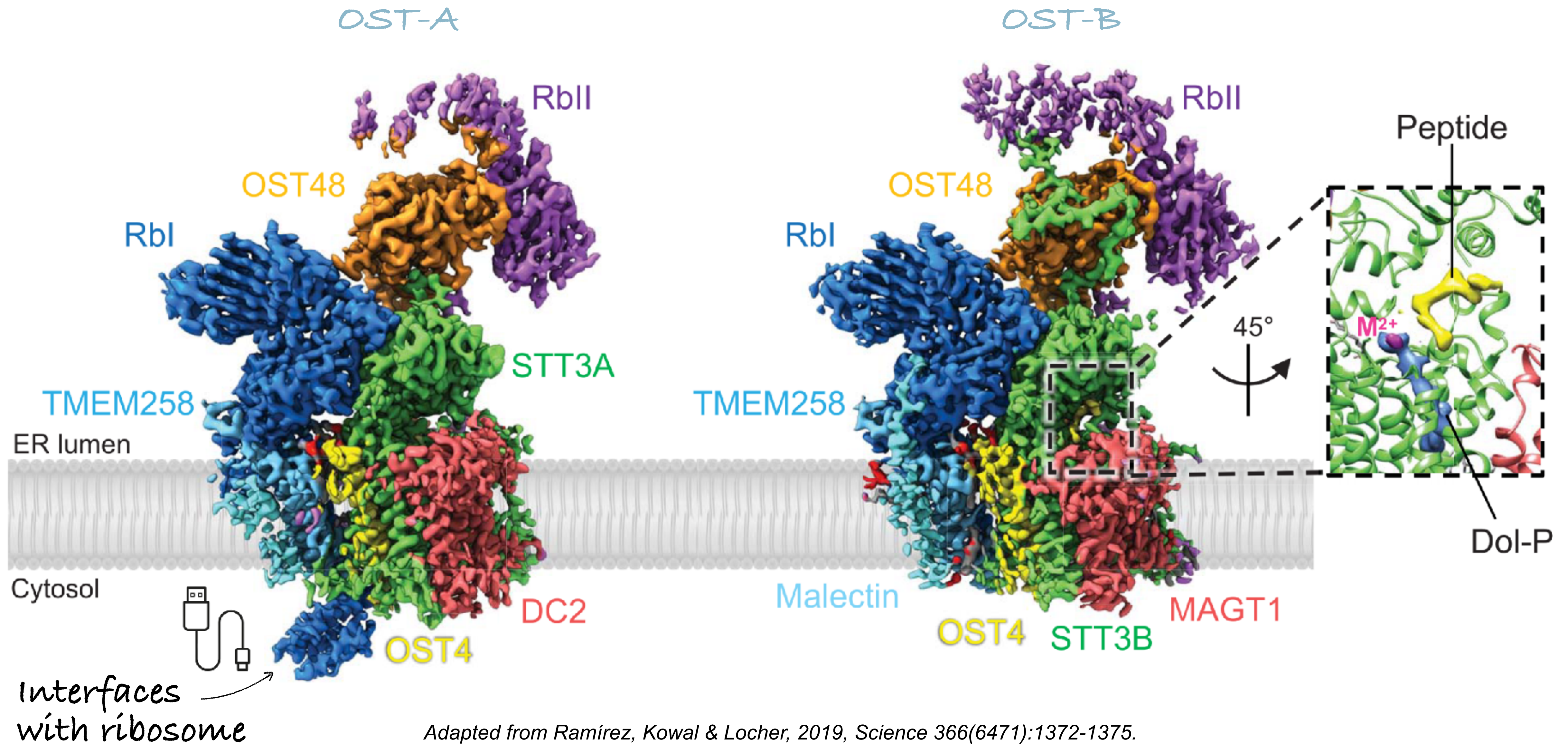
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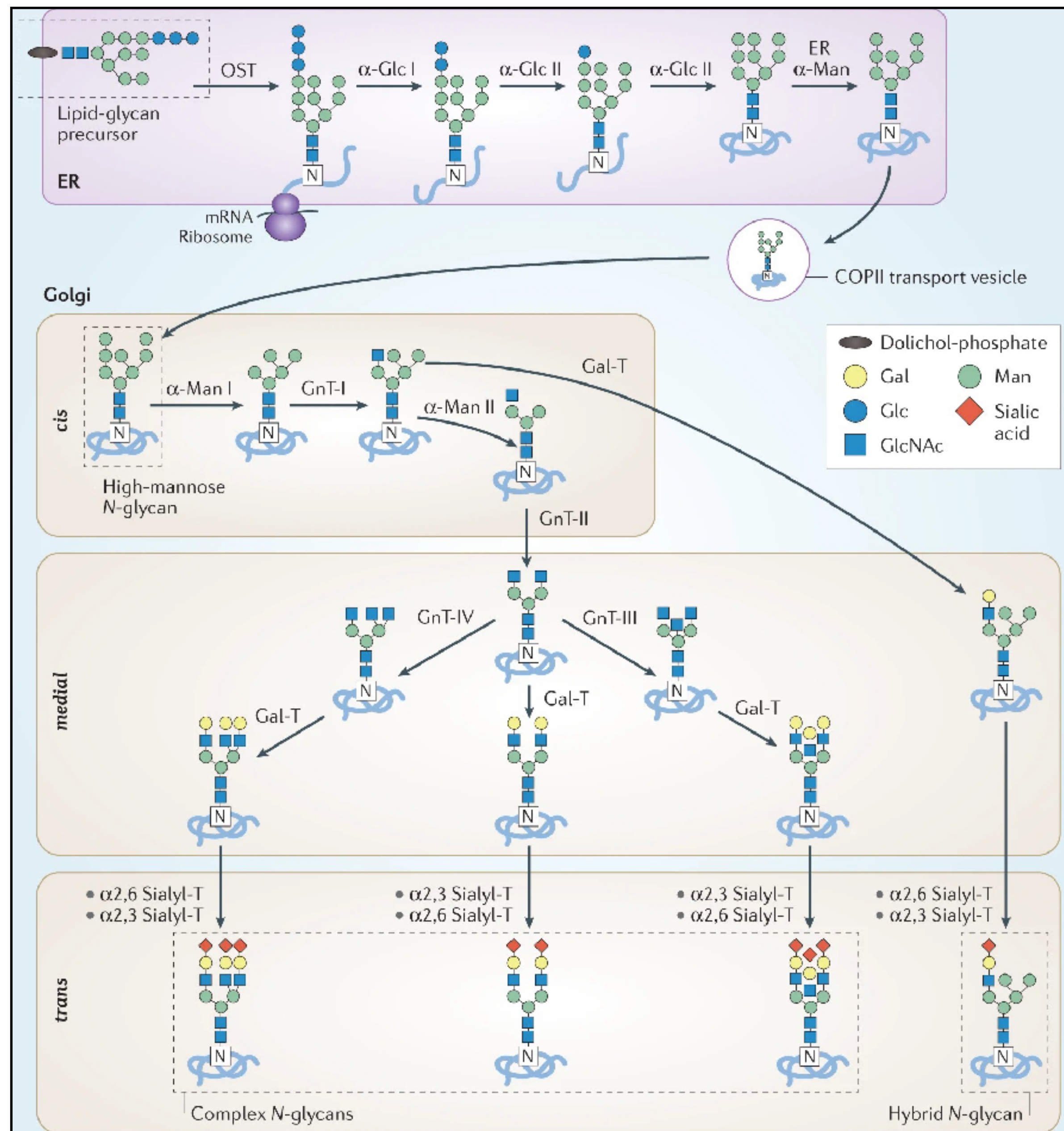


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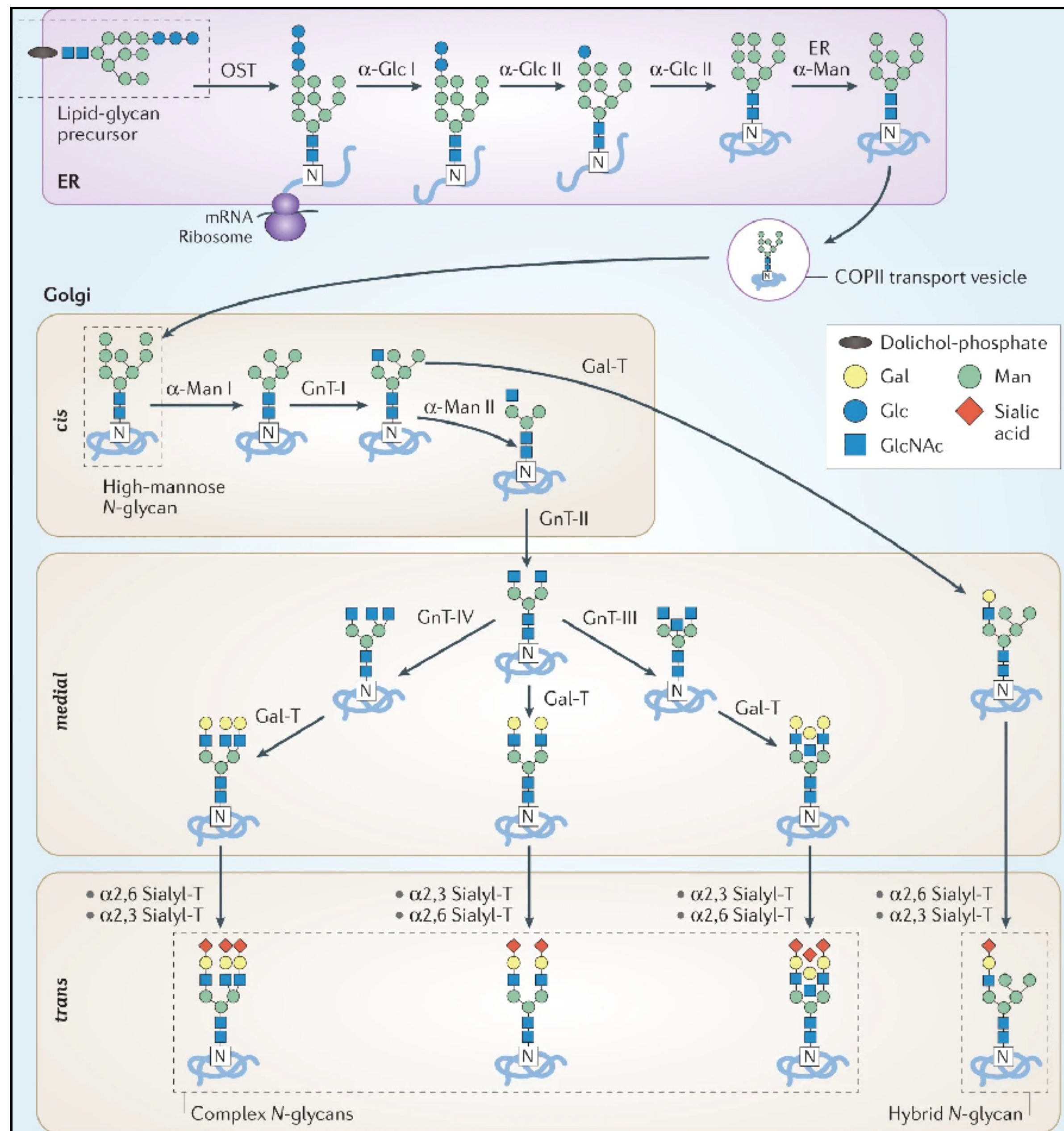
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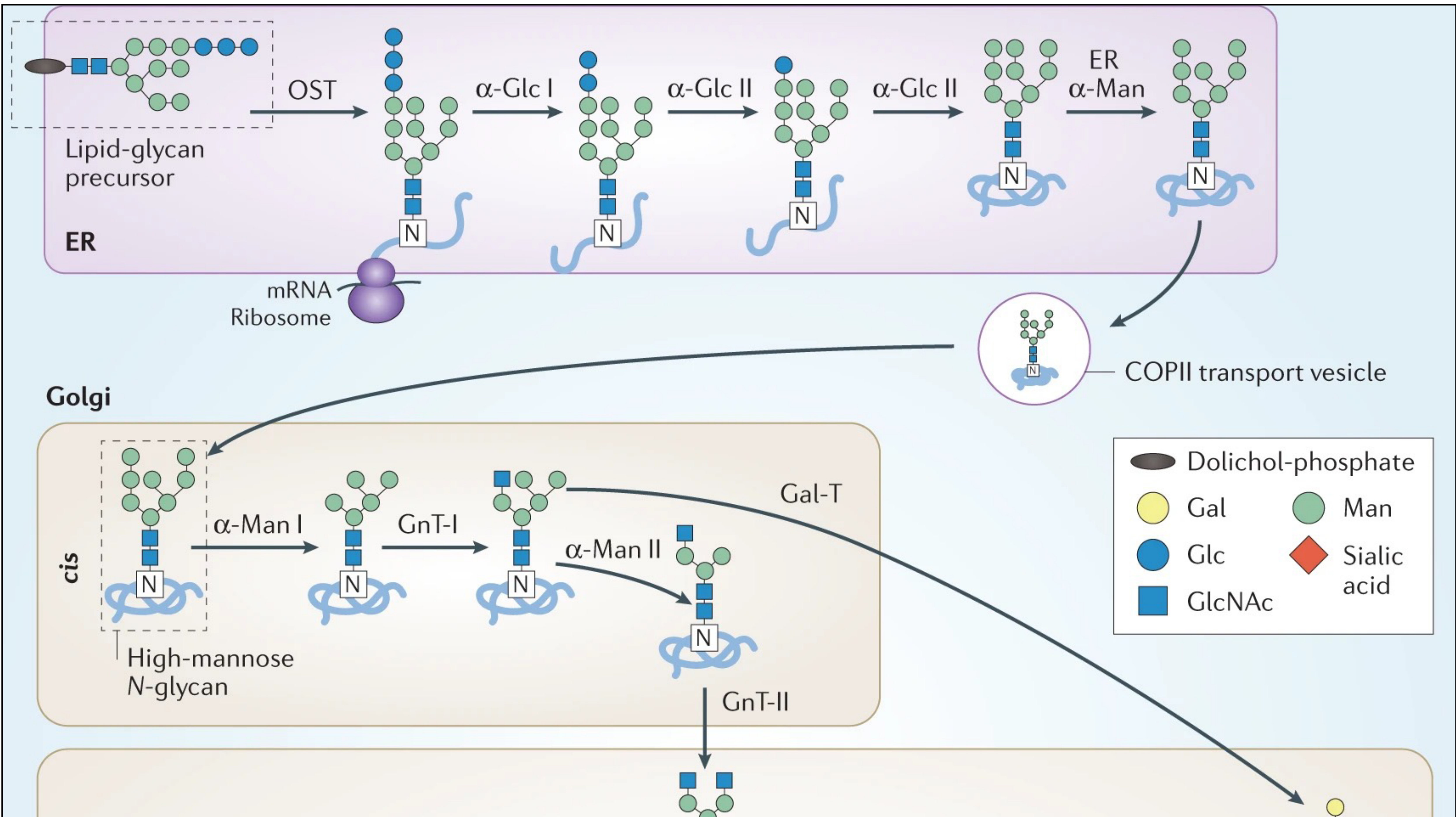


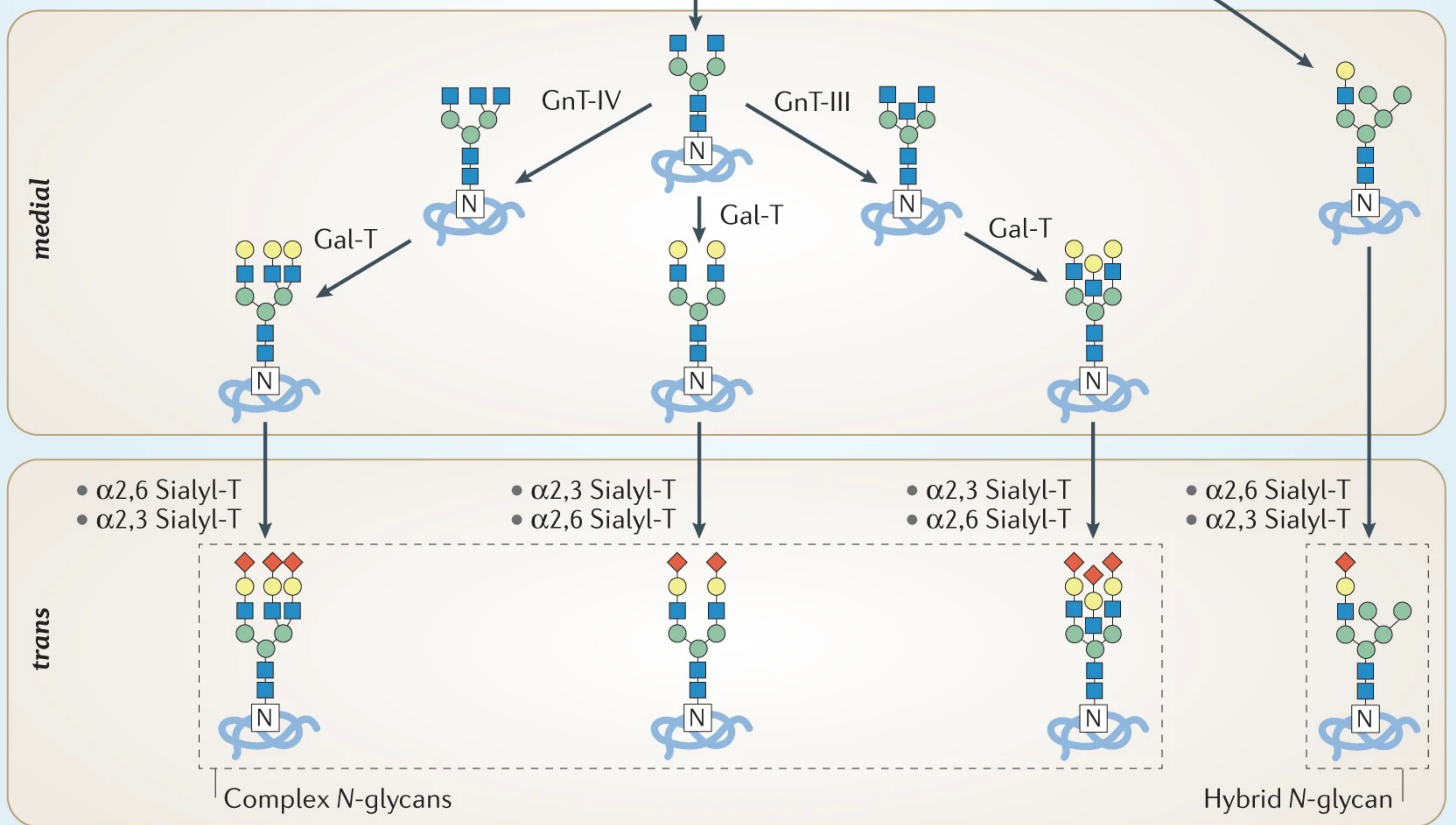
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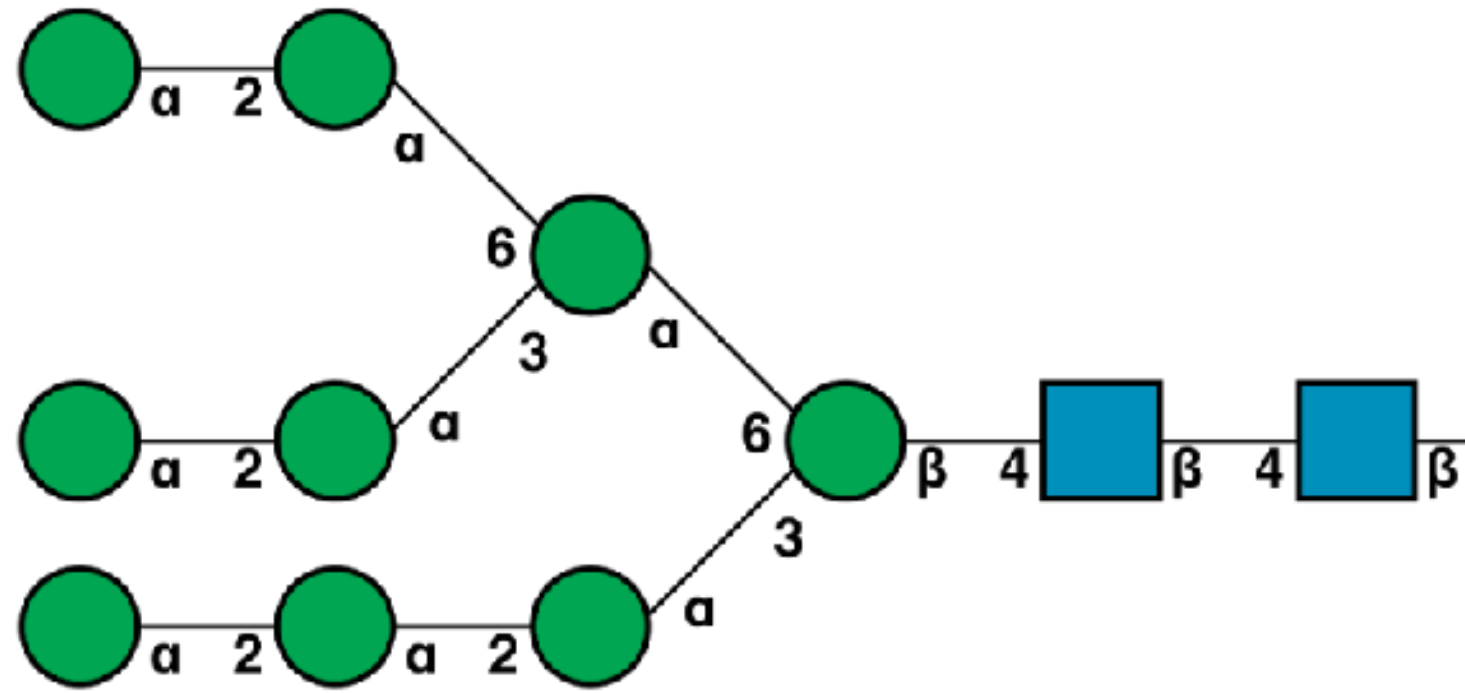




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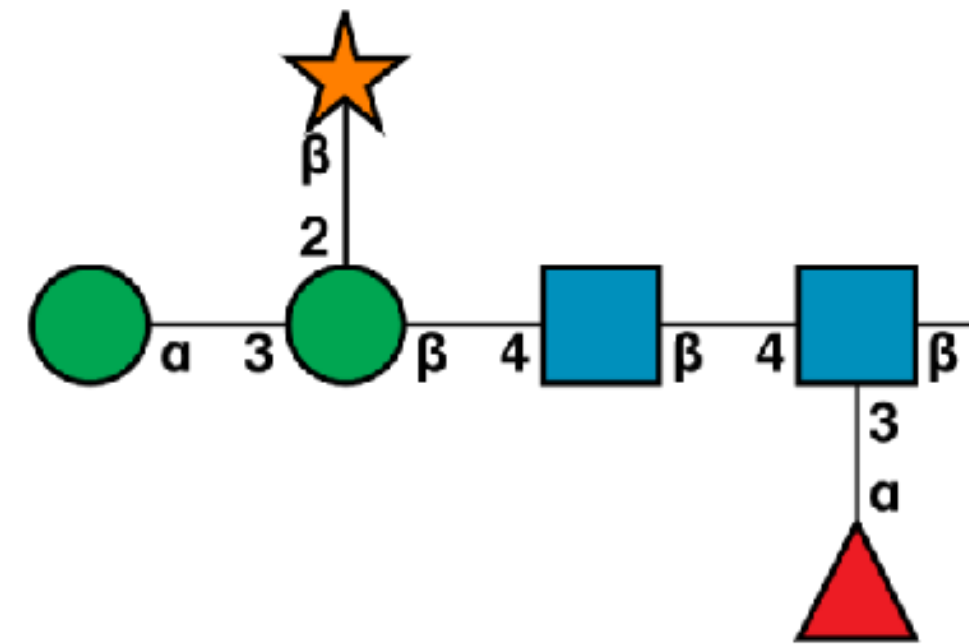
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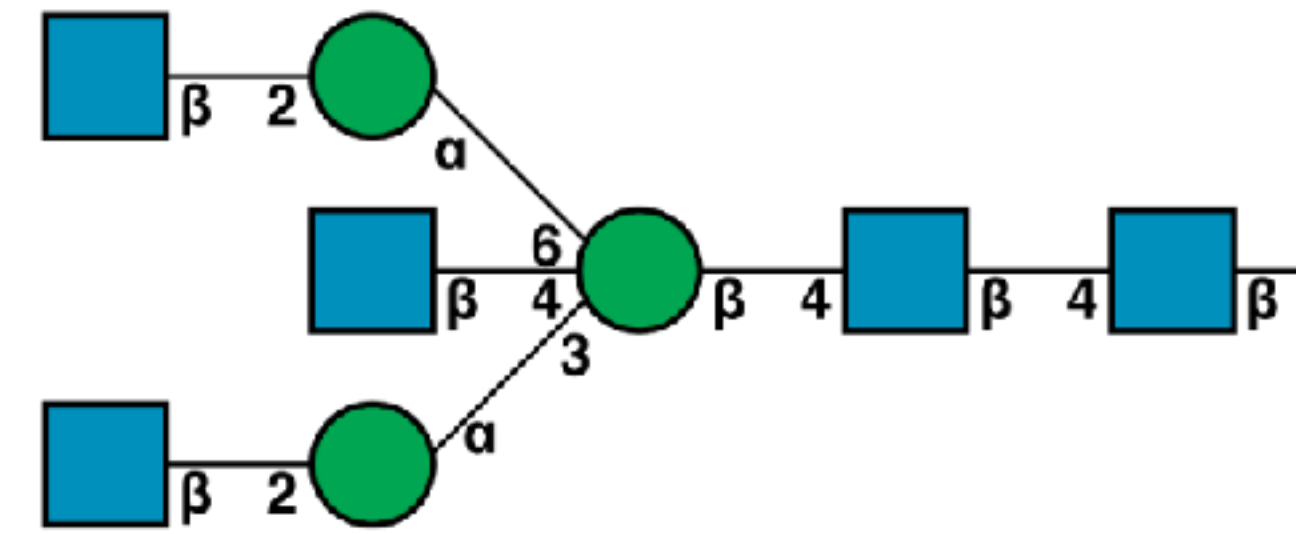
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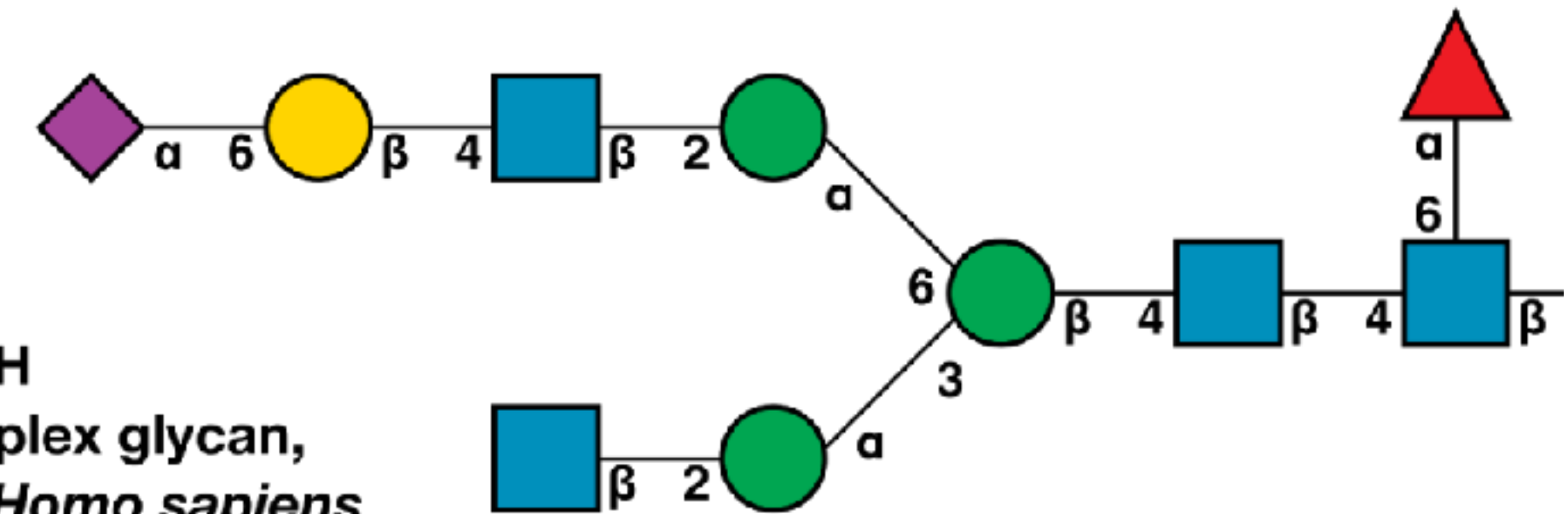
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(d)

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GlcNAc  
(NAG, NDG)

  
Man  
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(GLA, GAL)

  
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(SIA, SLB)

  
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(FUC, FUL)

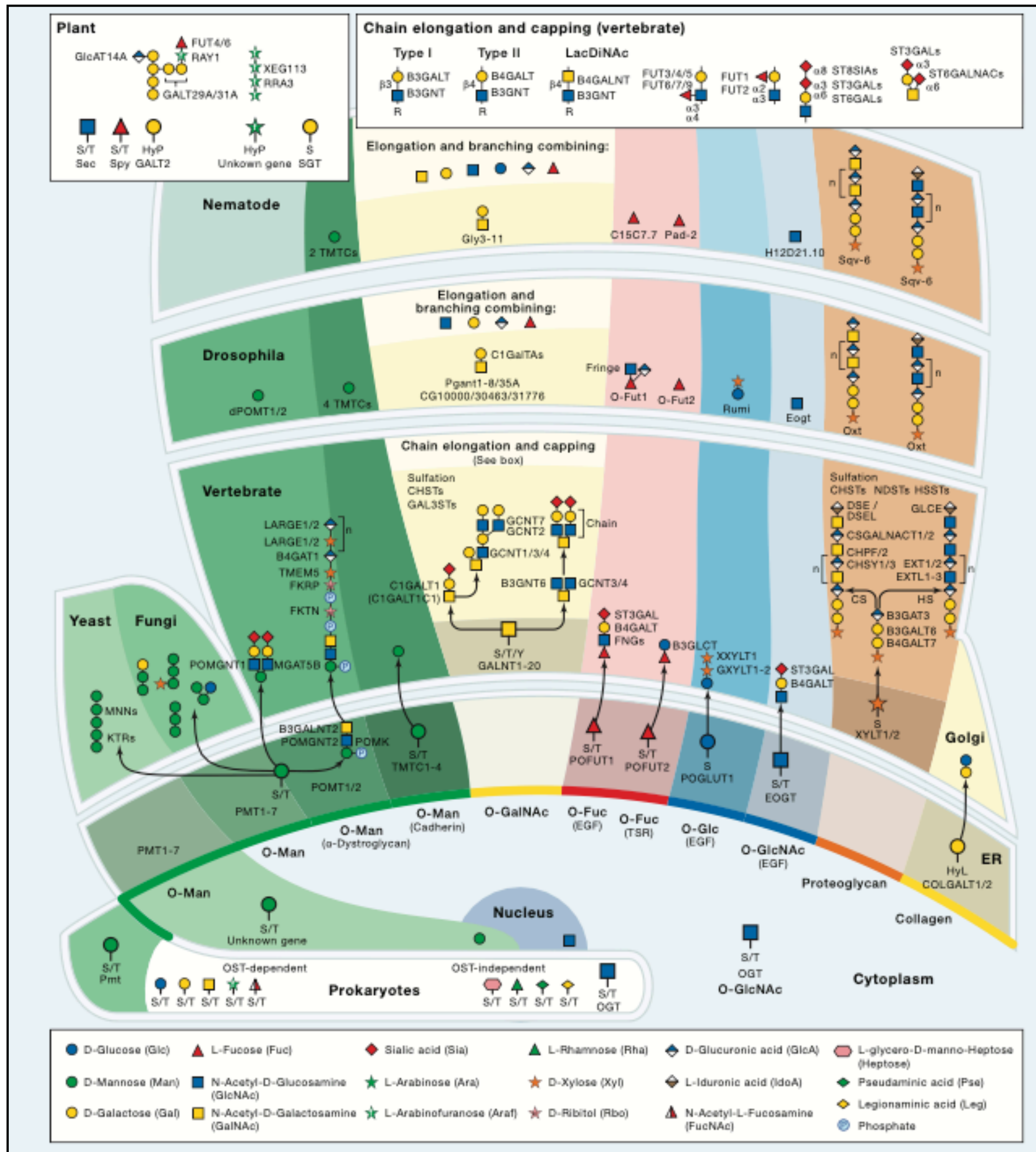
  
Xyl  
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**Symbol Nomenclature For Glycans (SNFG)**

*SNFG: Symbol Nomenclature for Graphical Representation of Glycans, Glycobiology 25: 1323-1324, 2015.*

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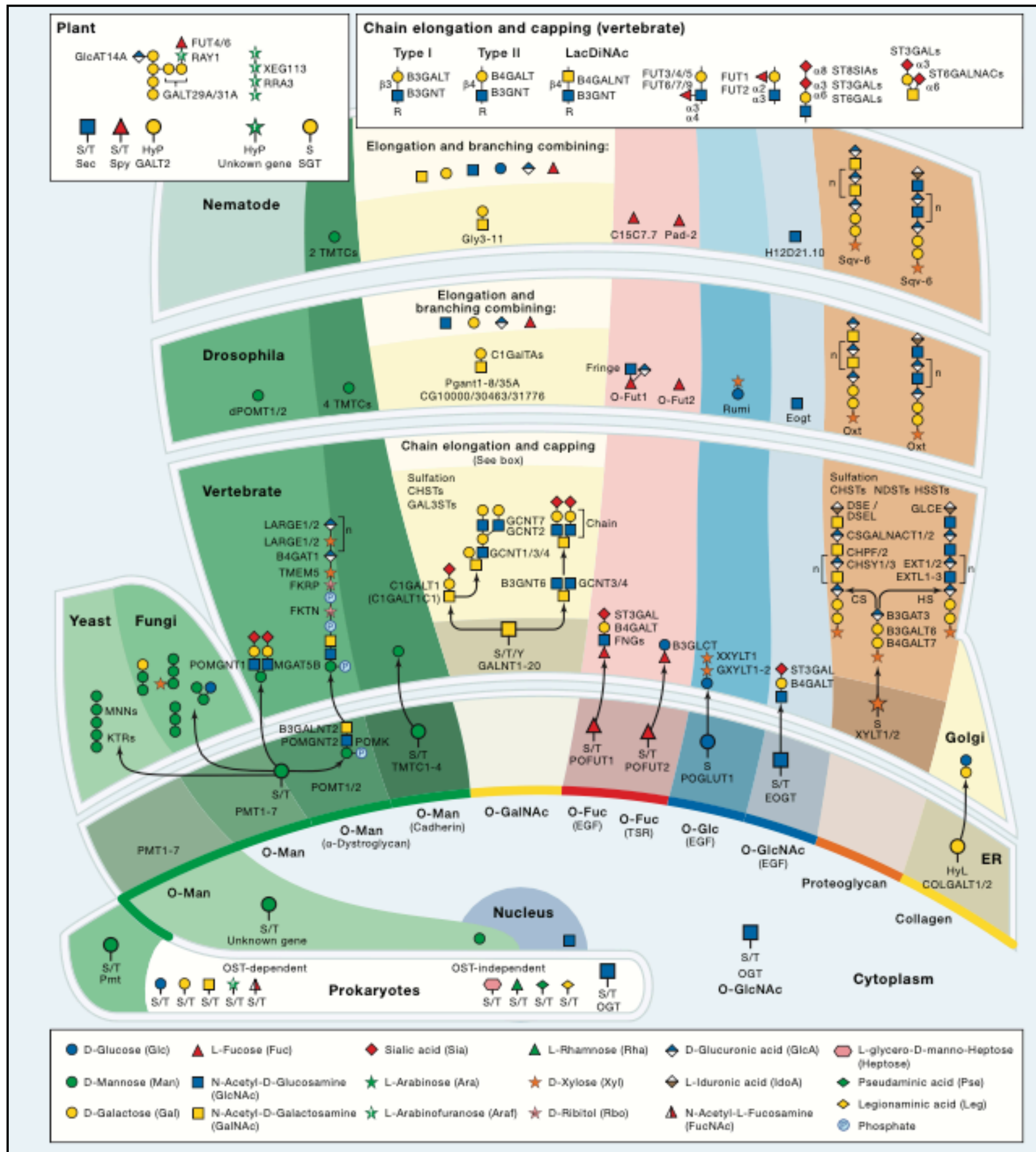


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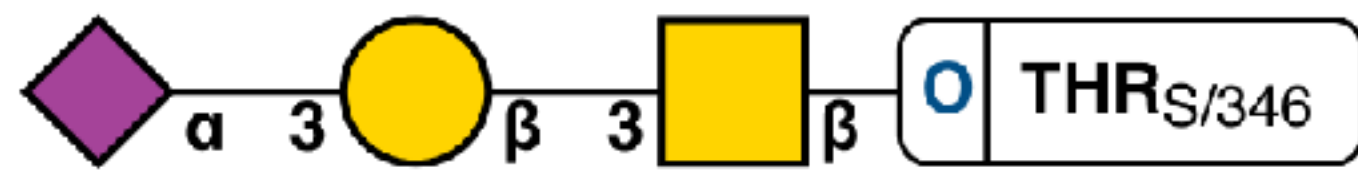




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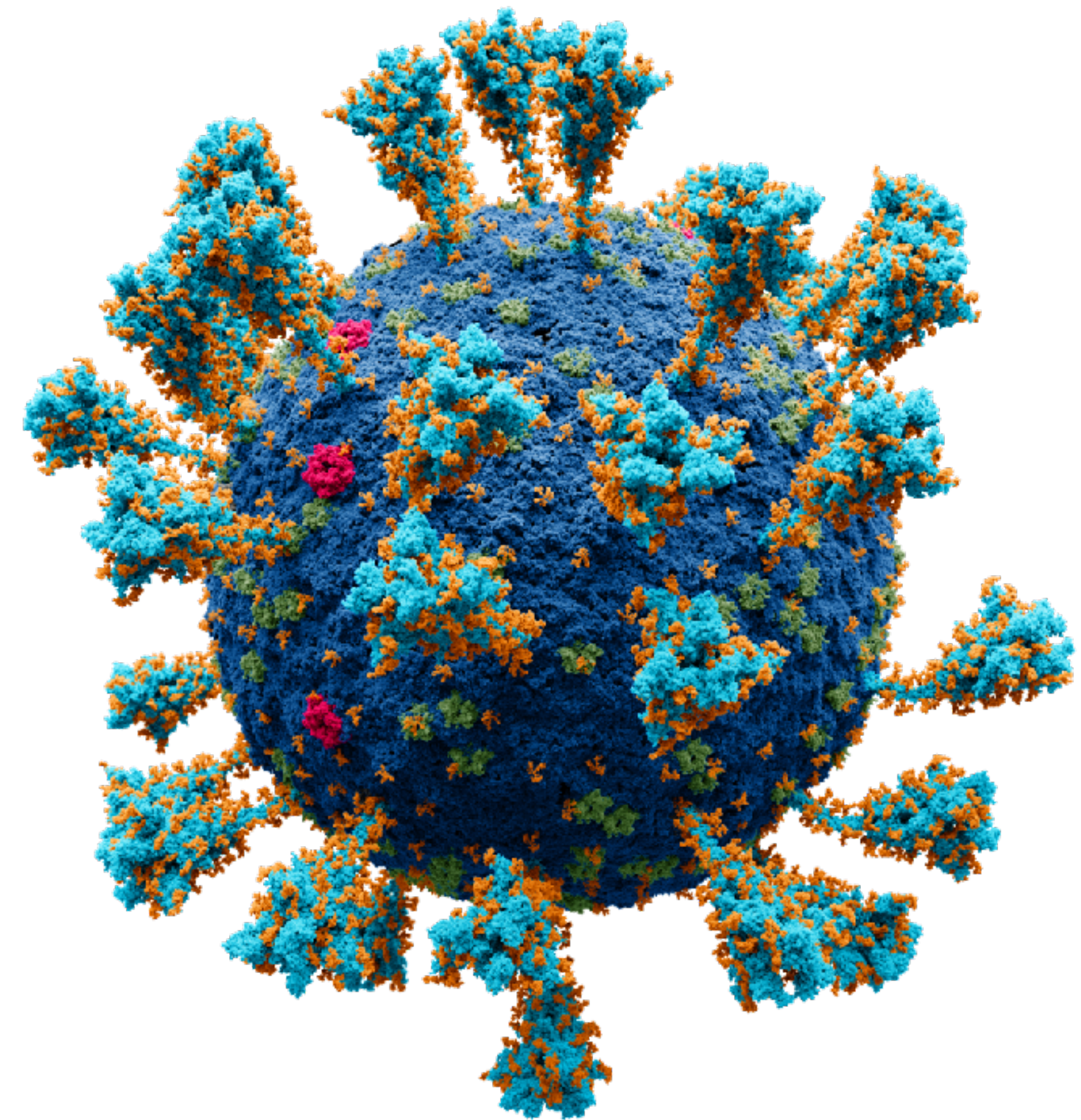


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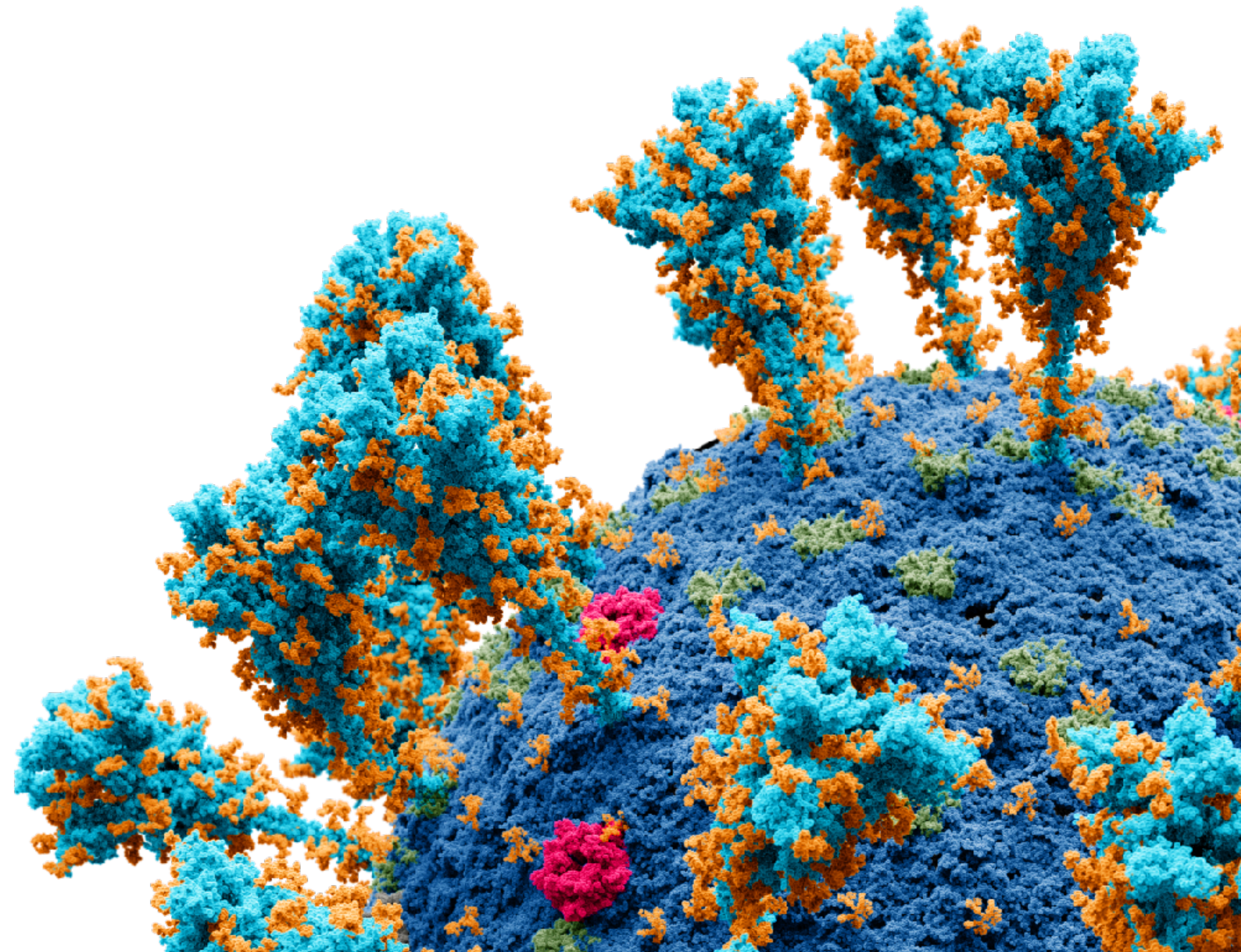


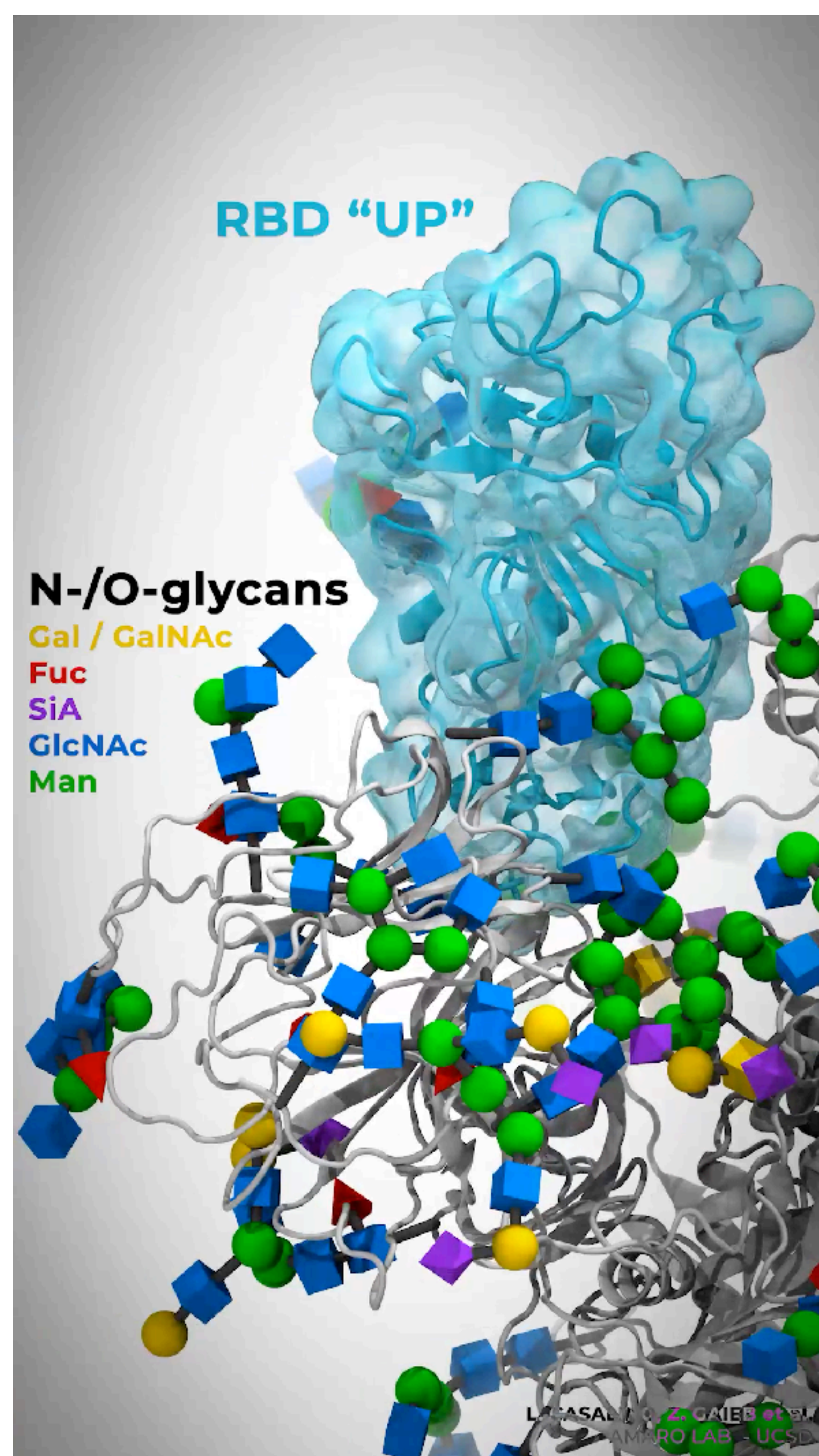
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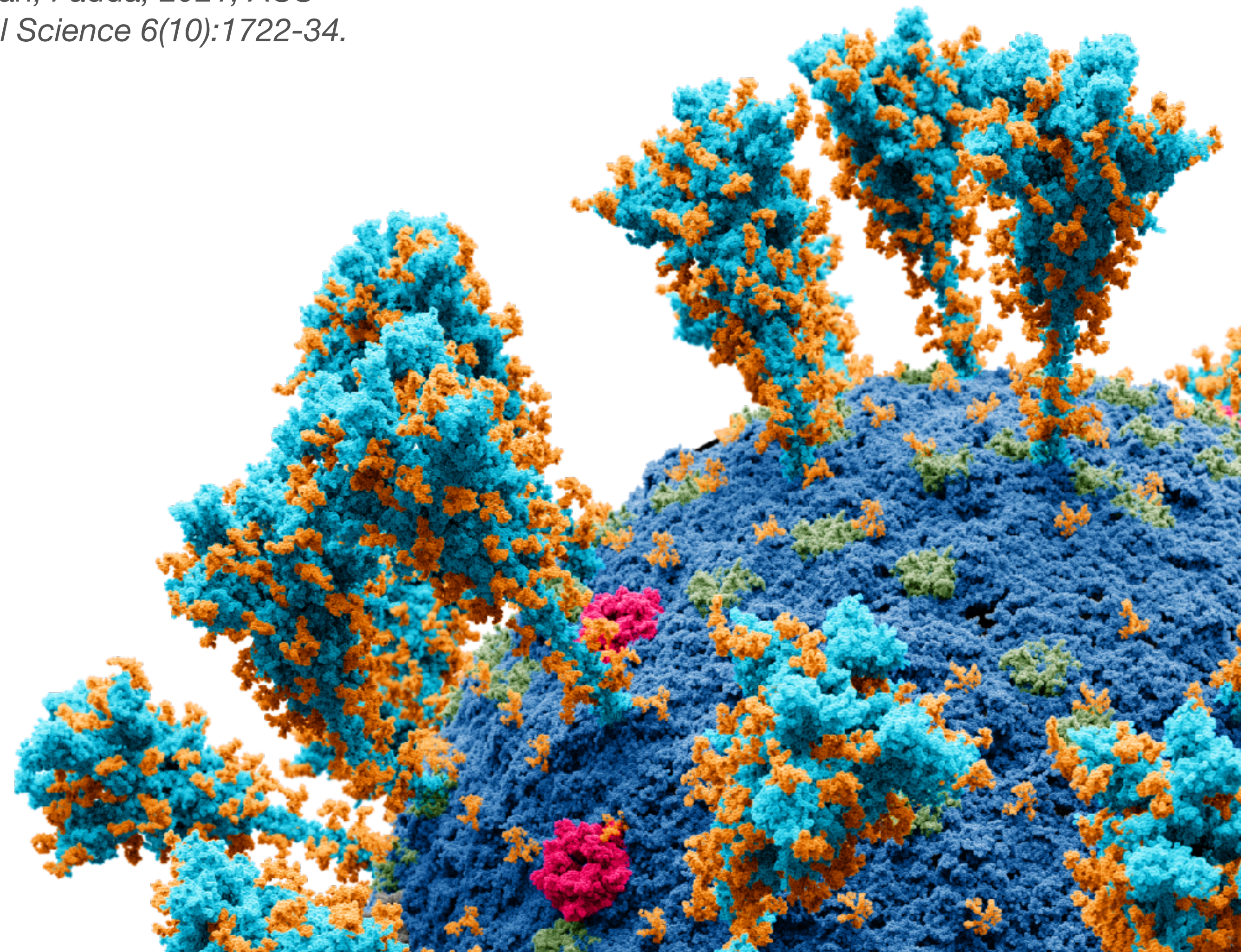
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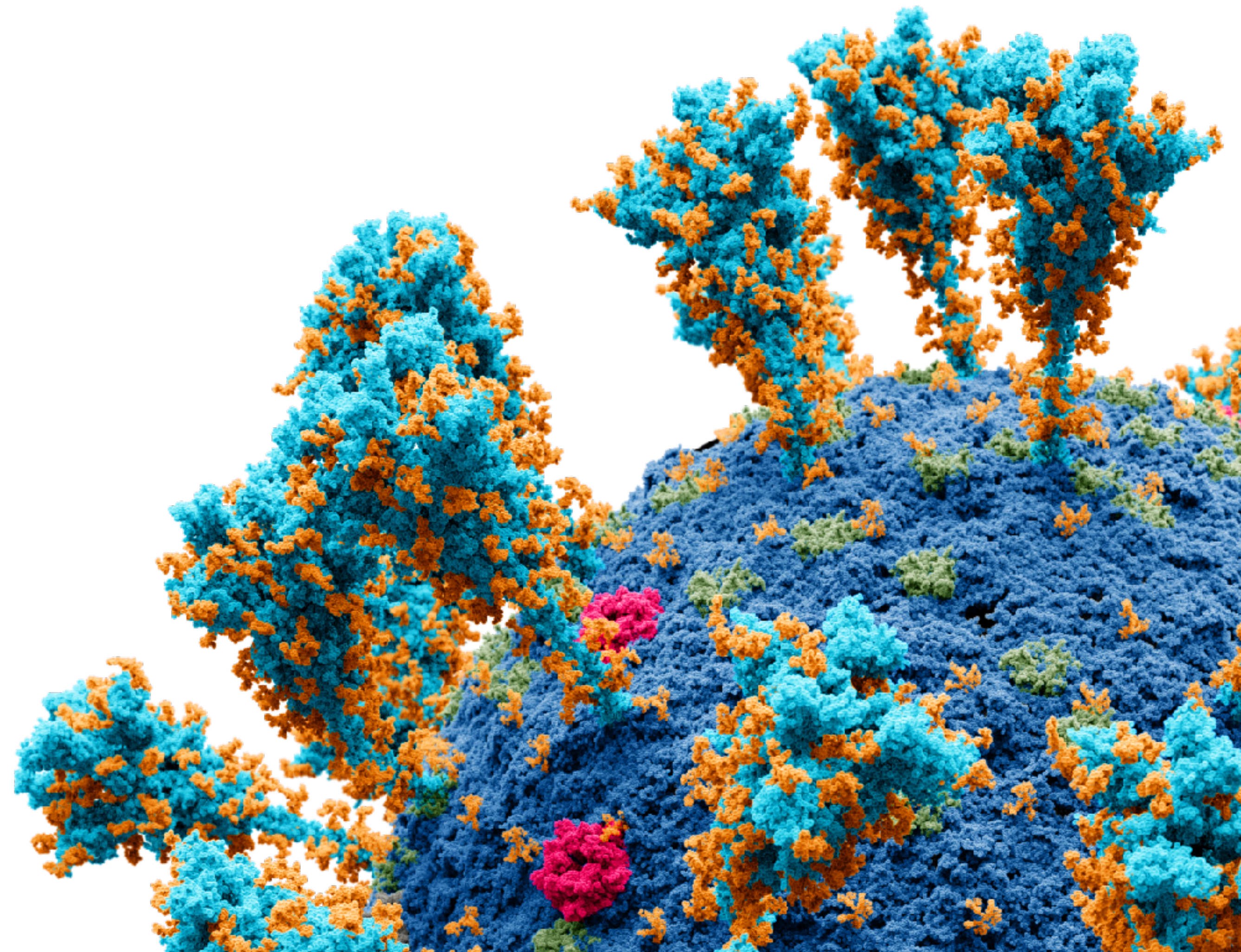


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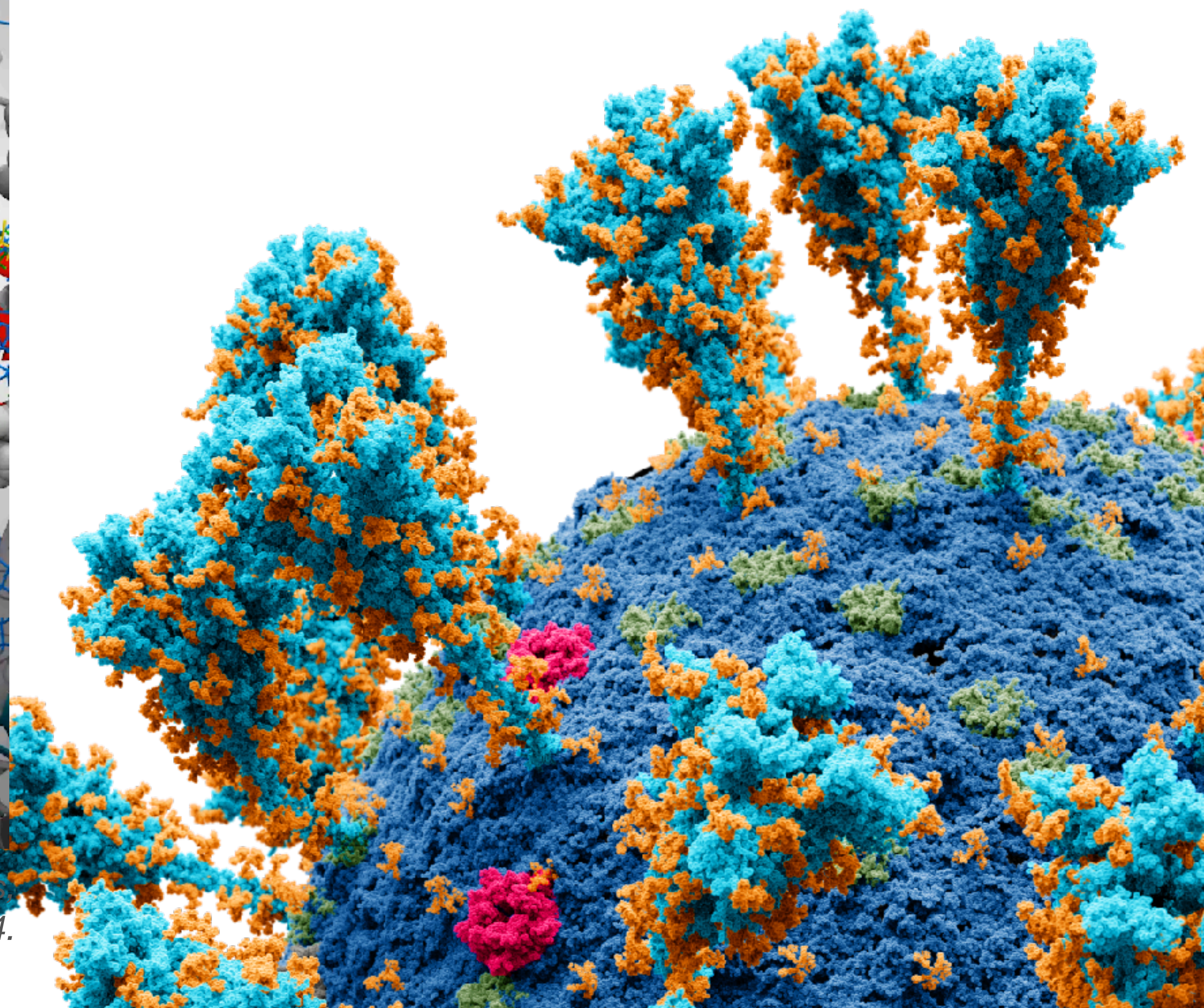
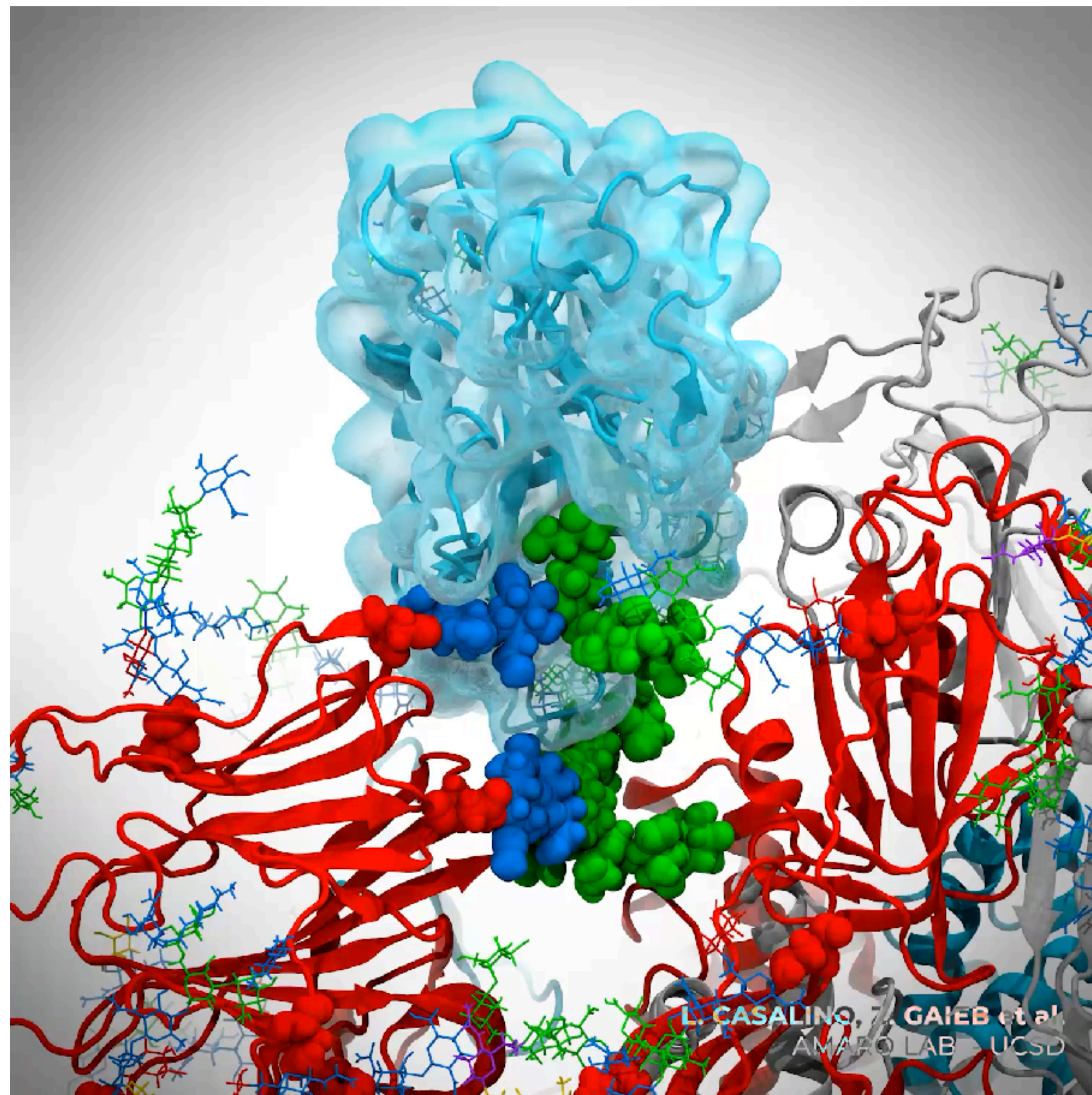
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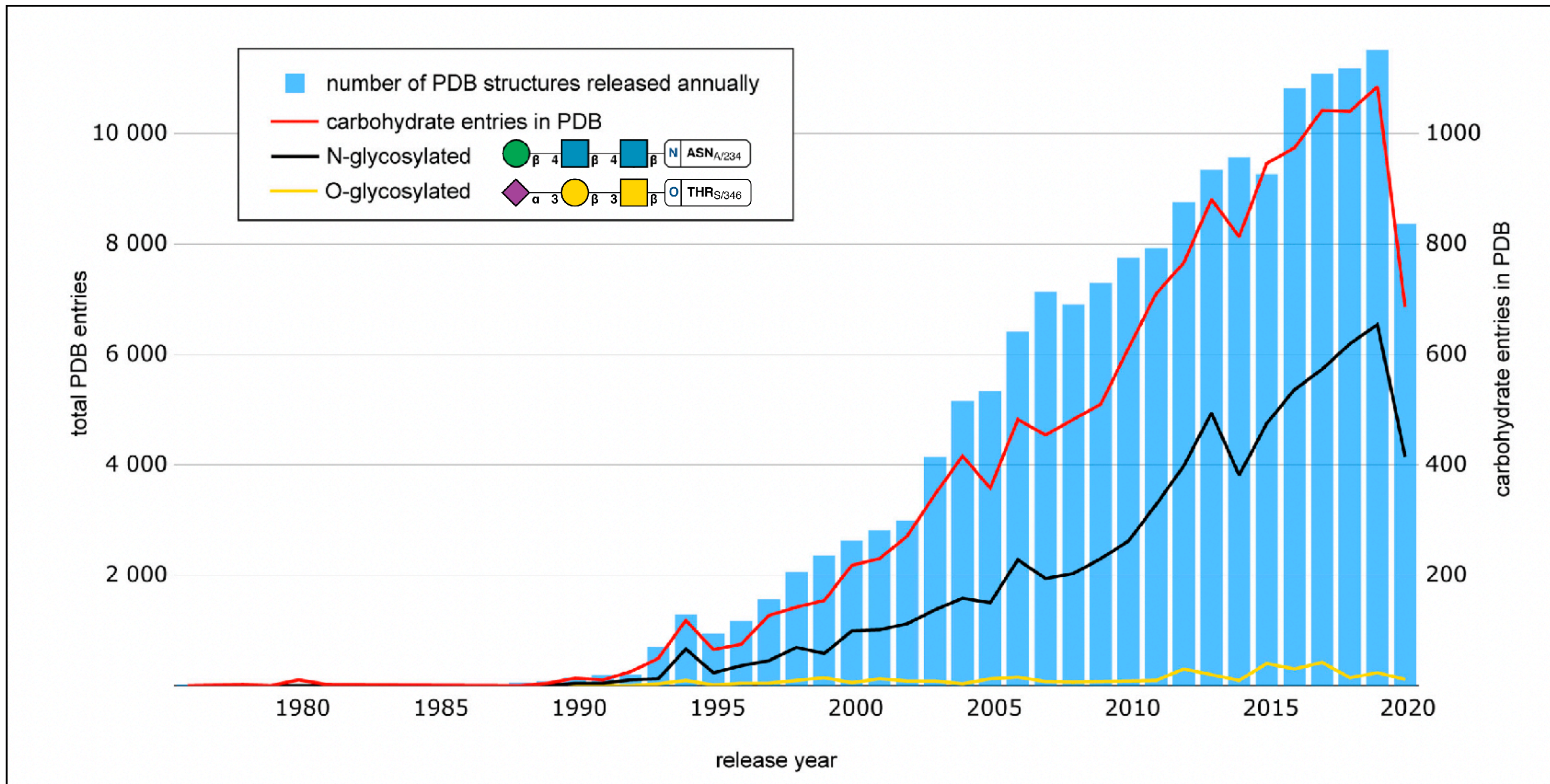
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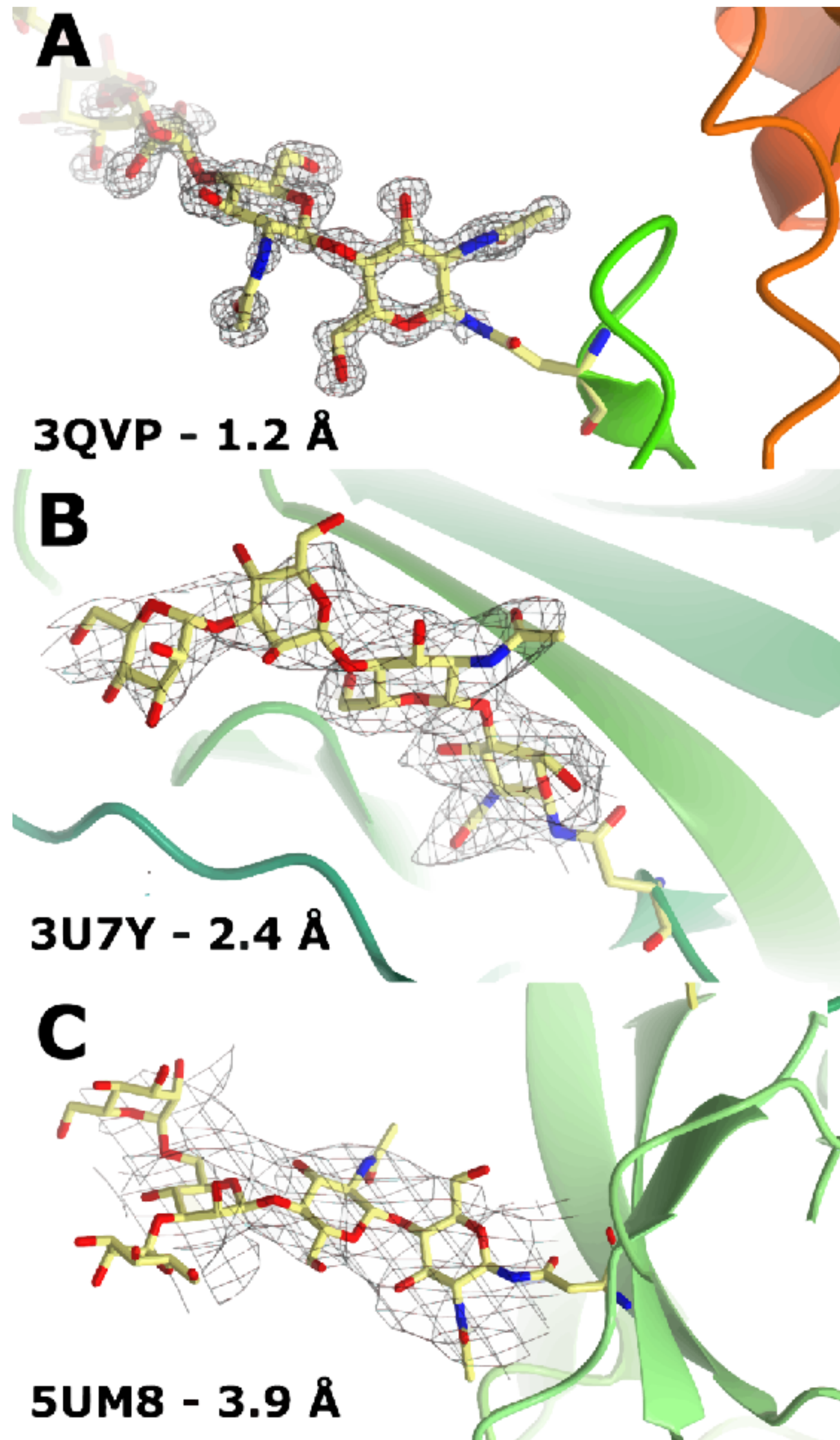
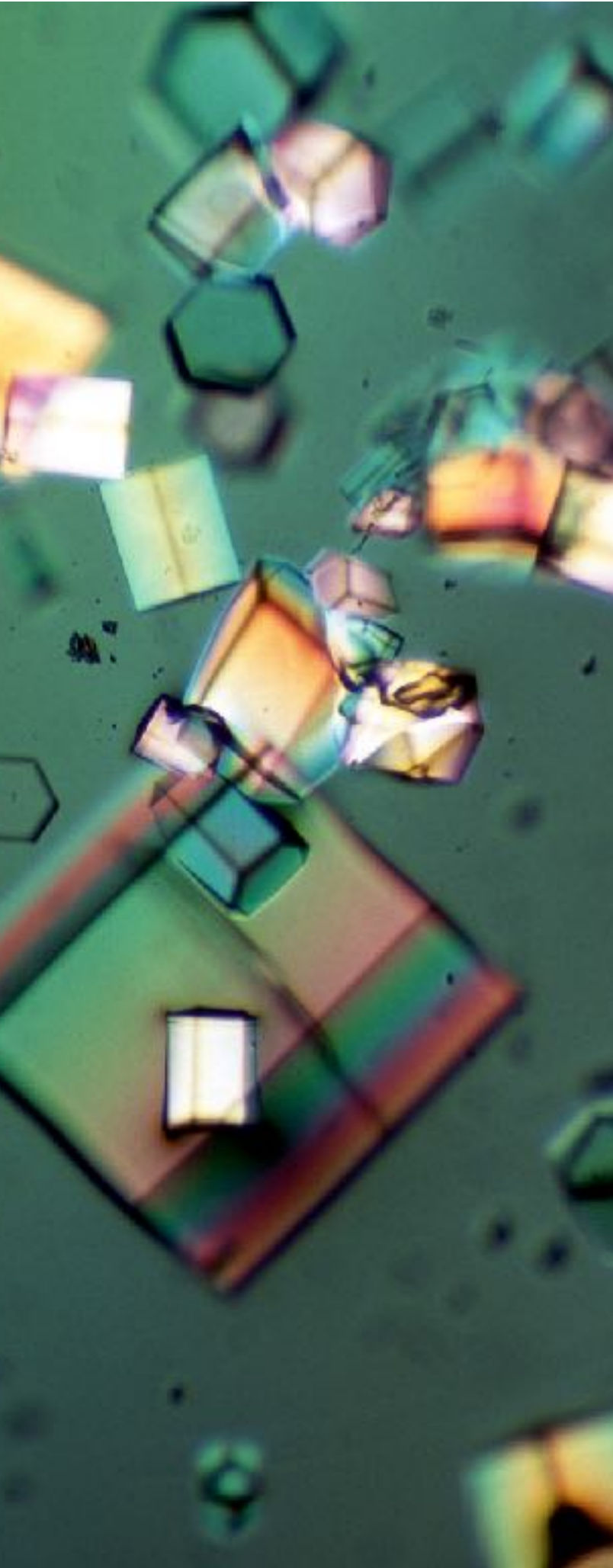
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# Carbohydrates in the PDB



## X-ray Crystallography



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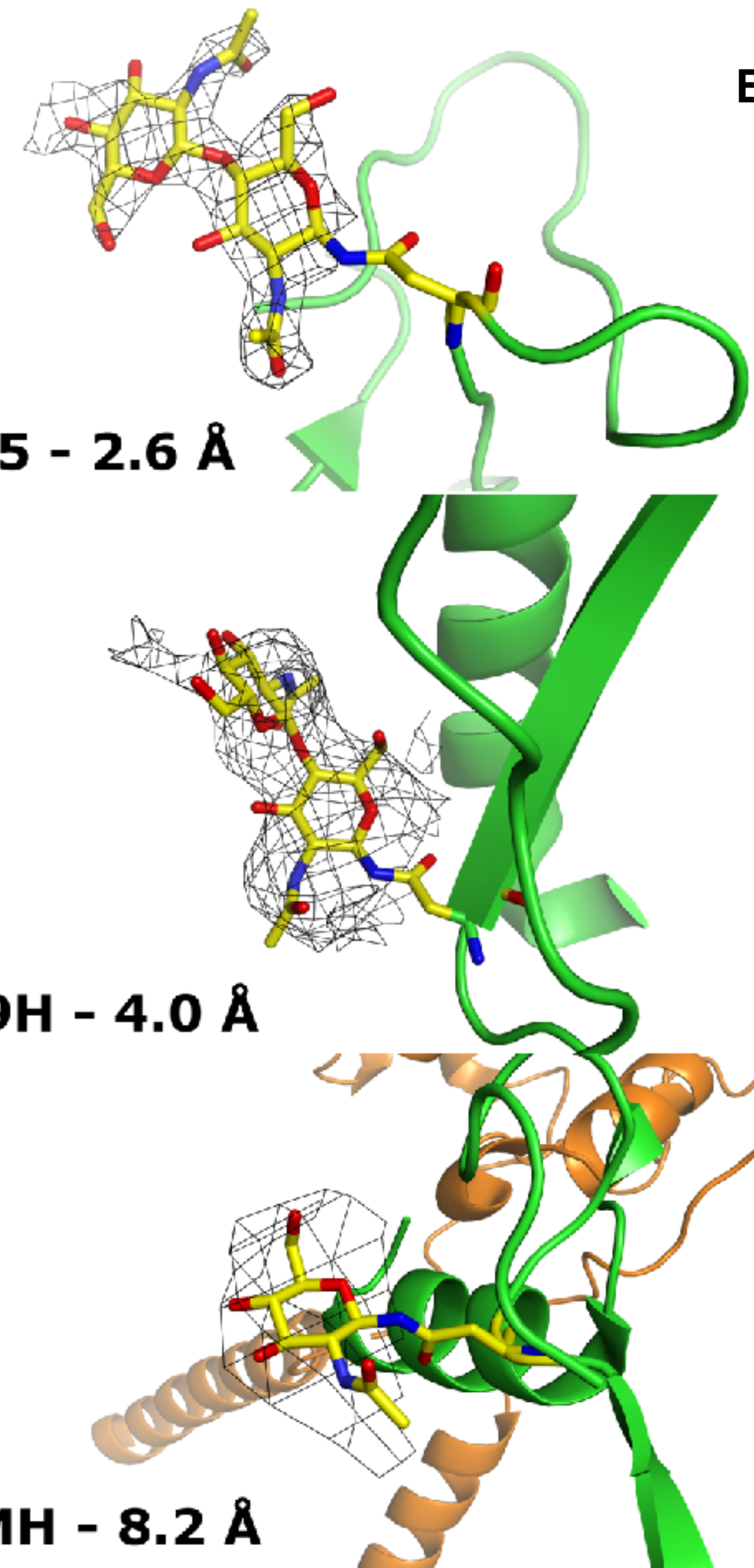
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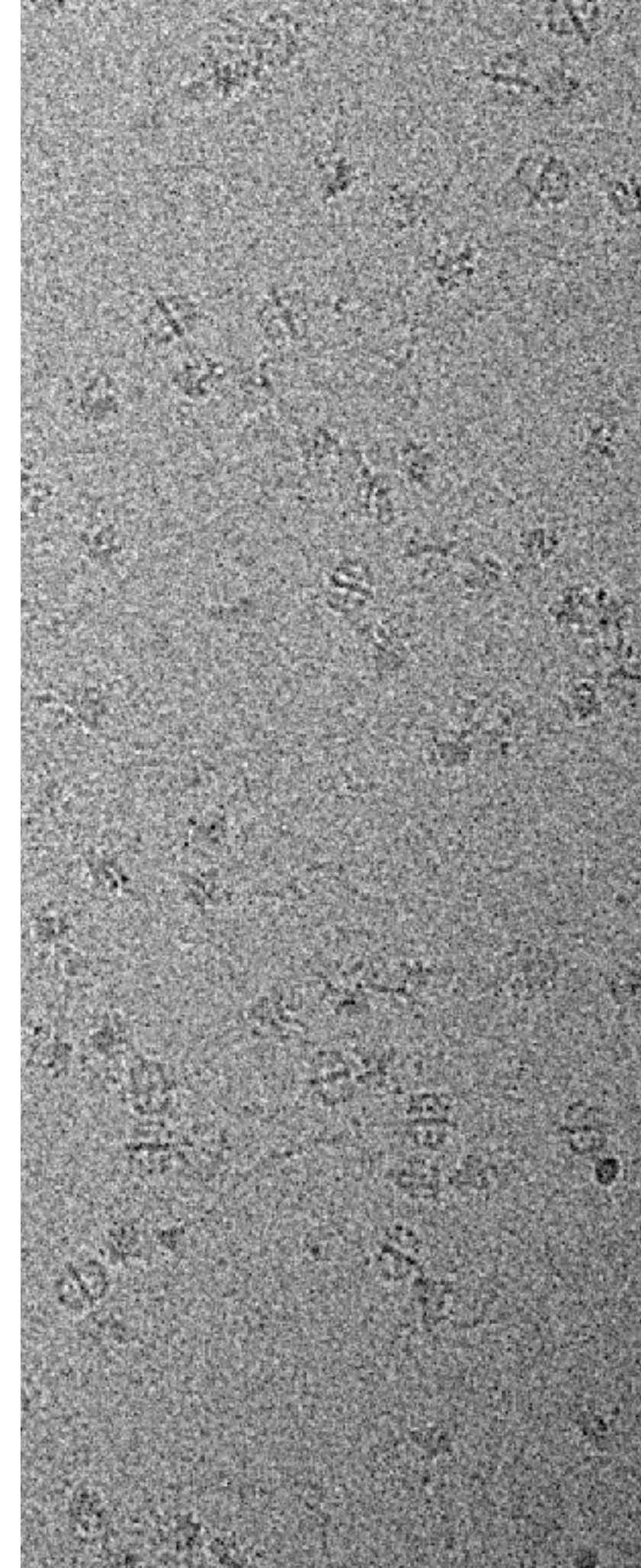
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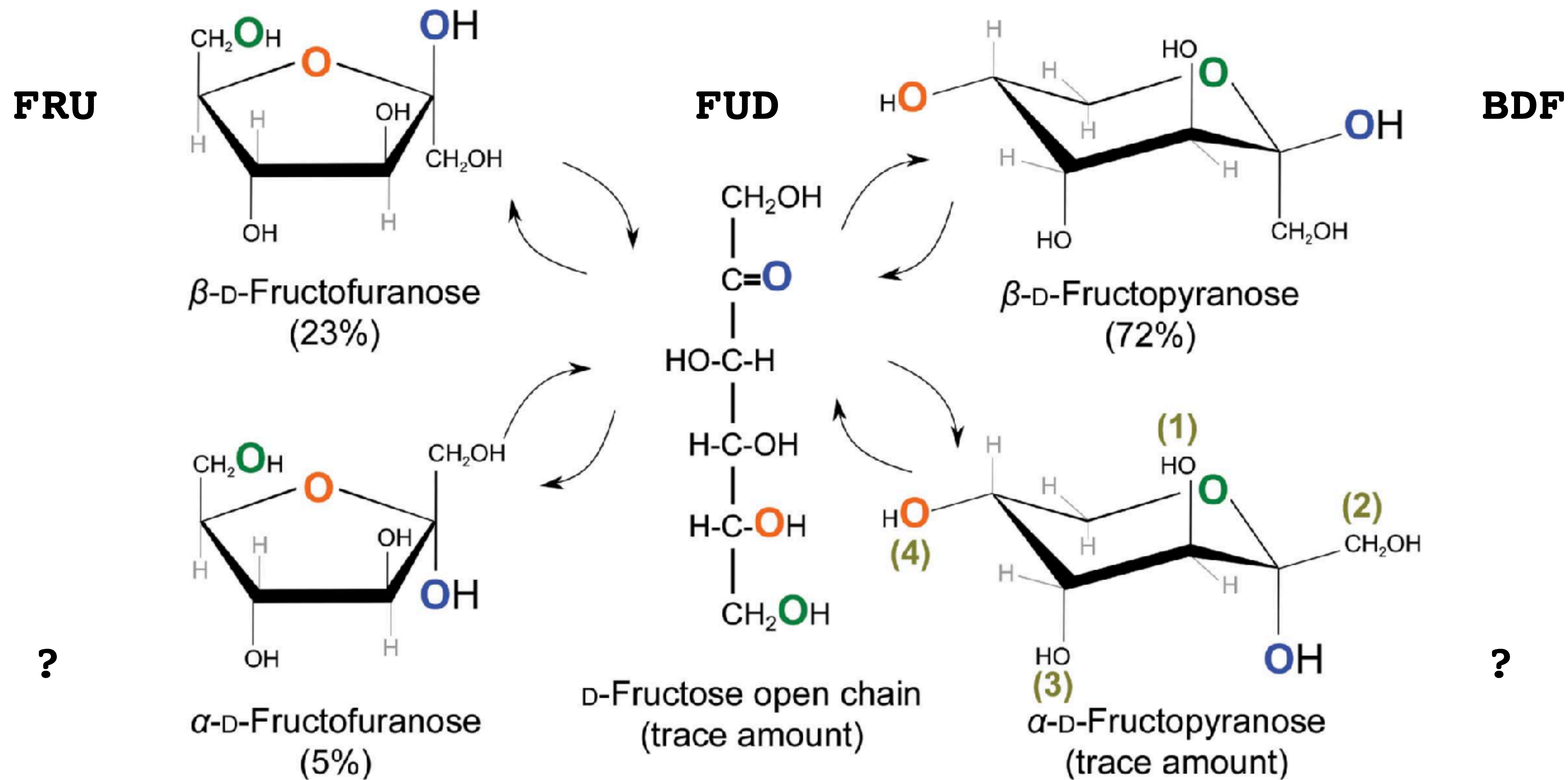
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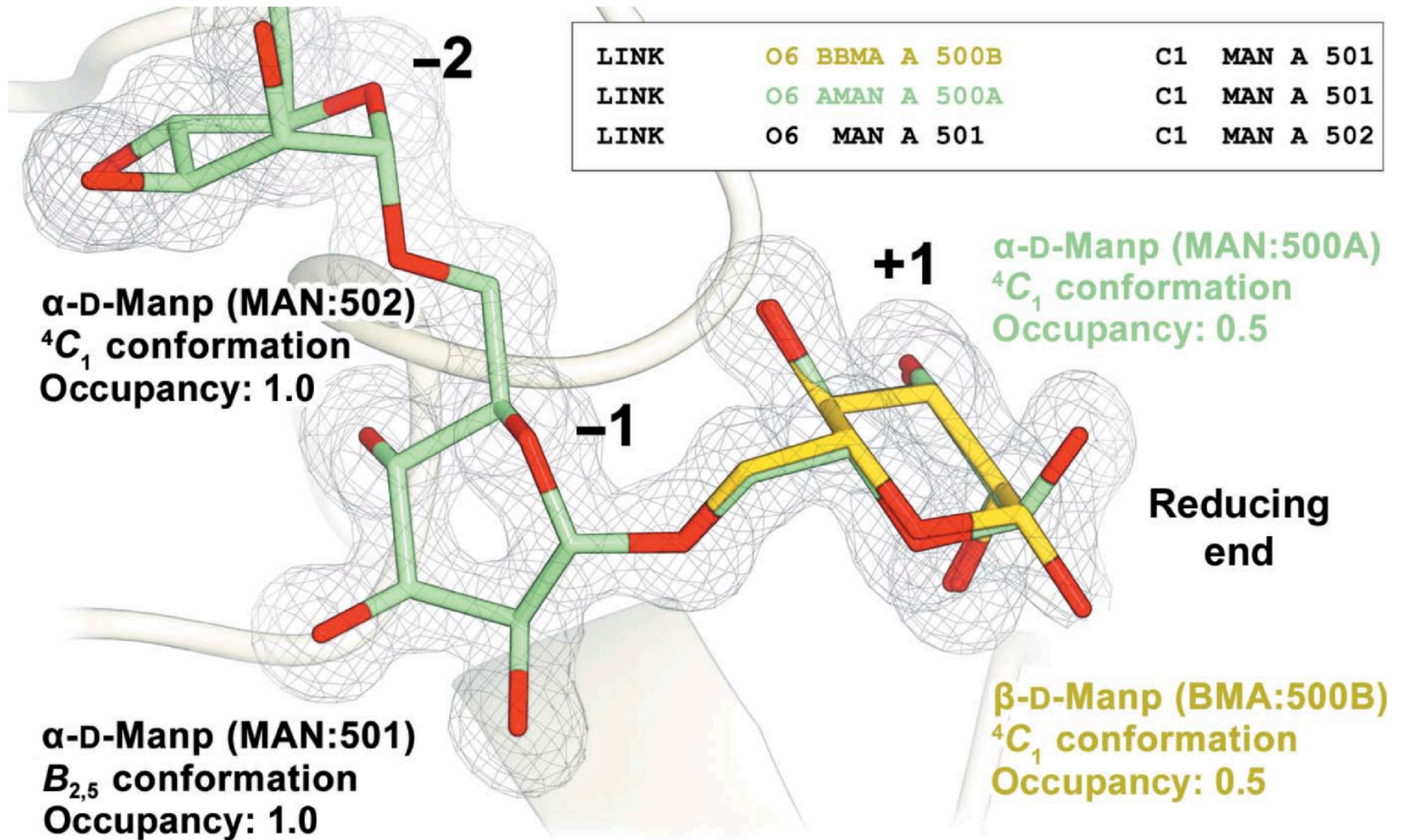


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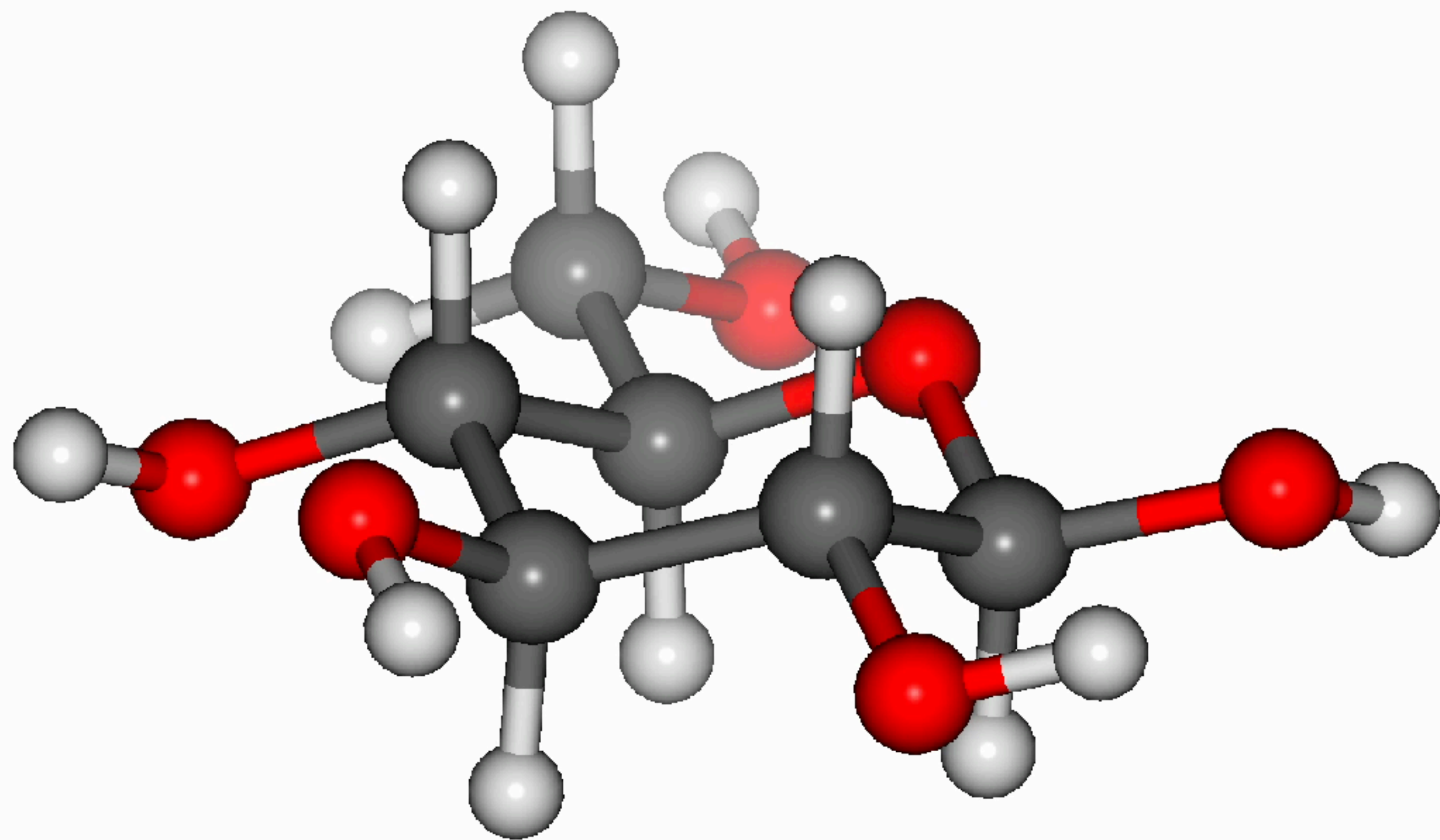
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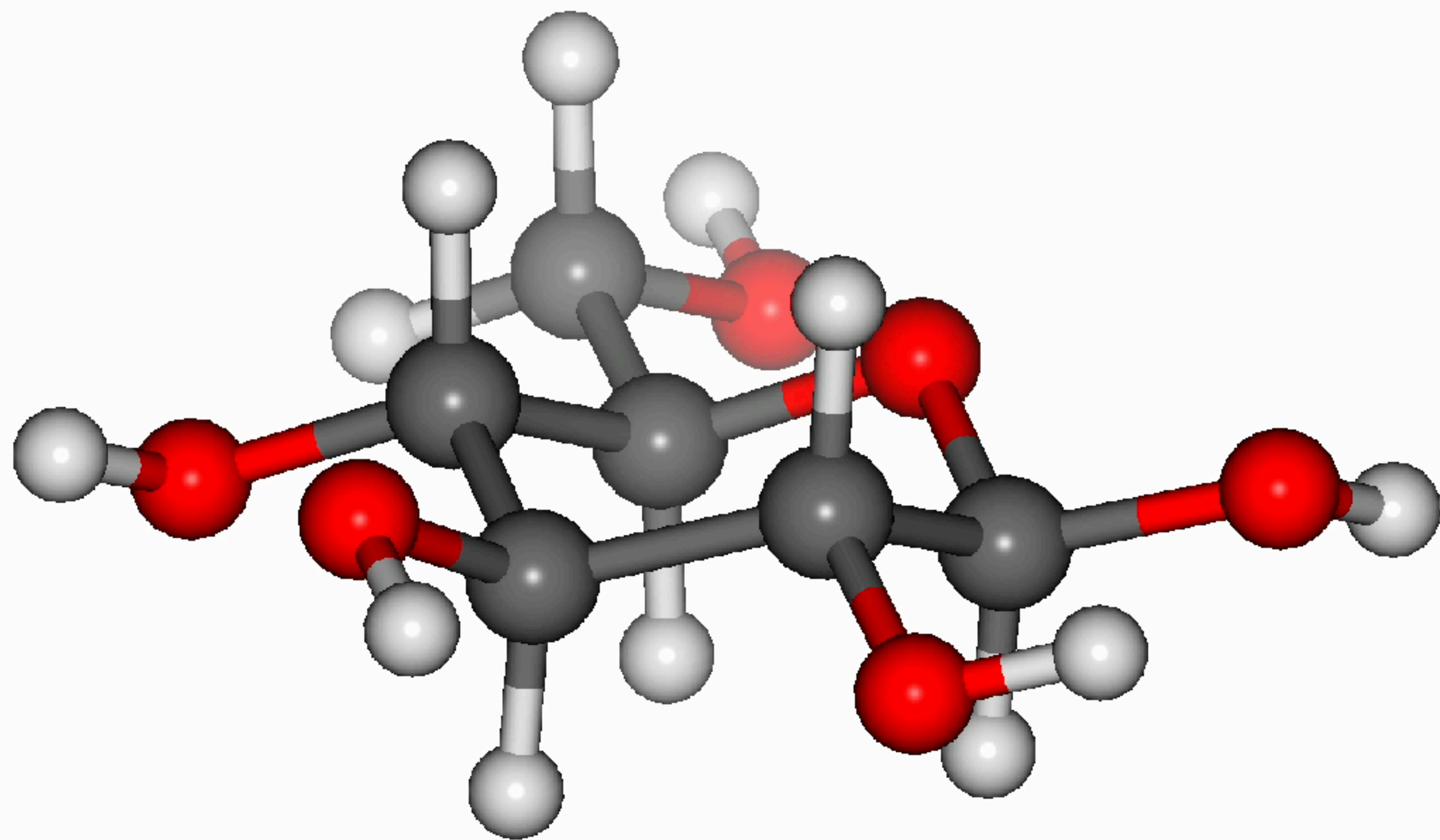


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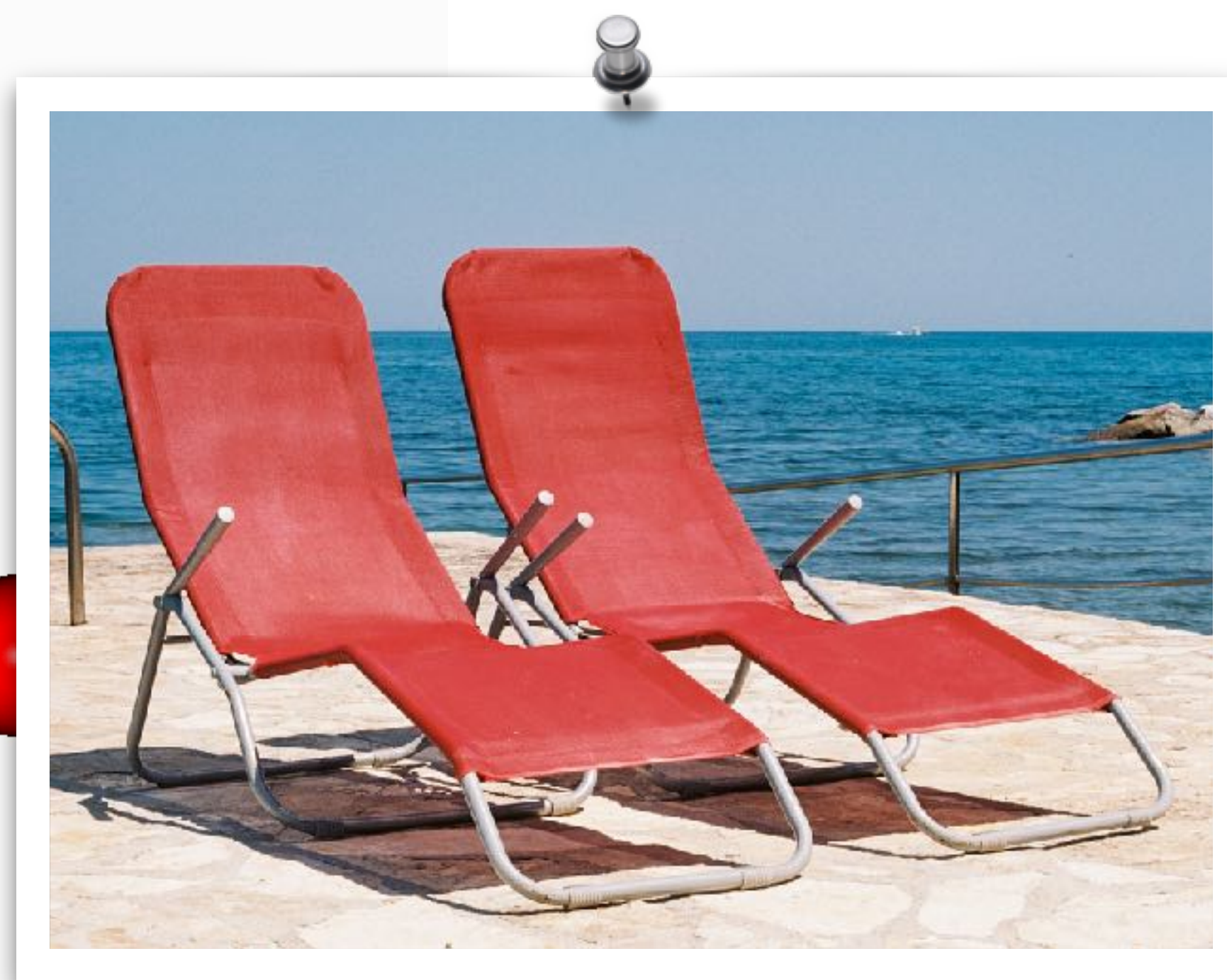
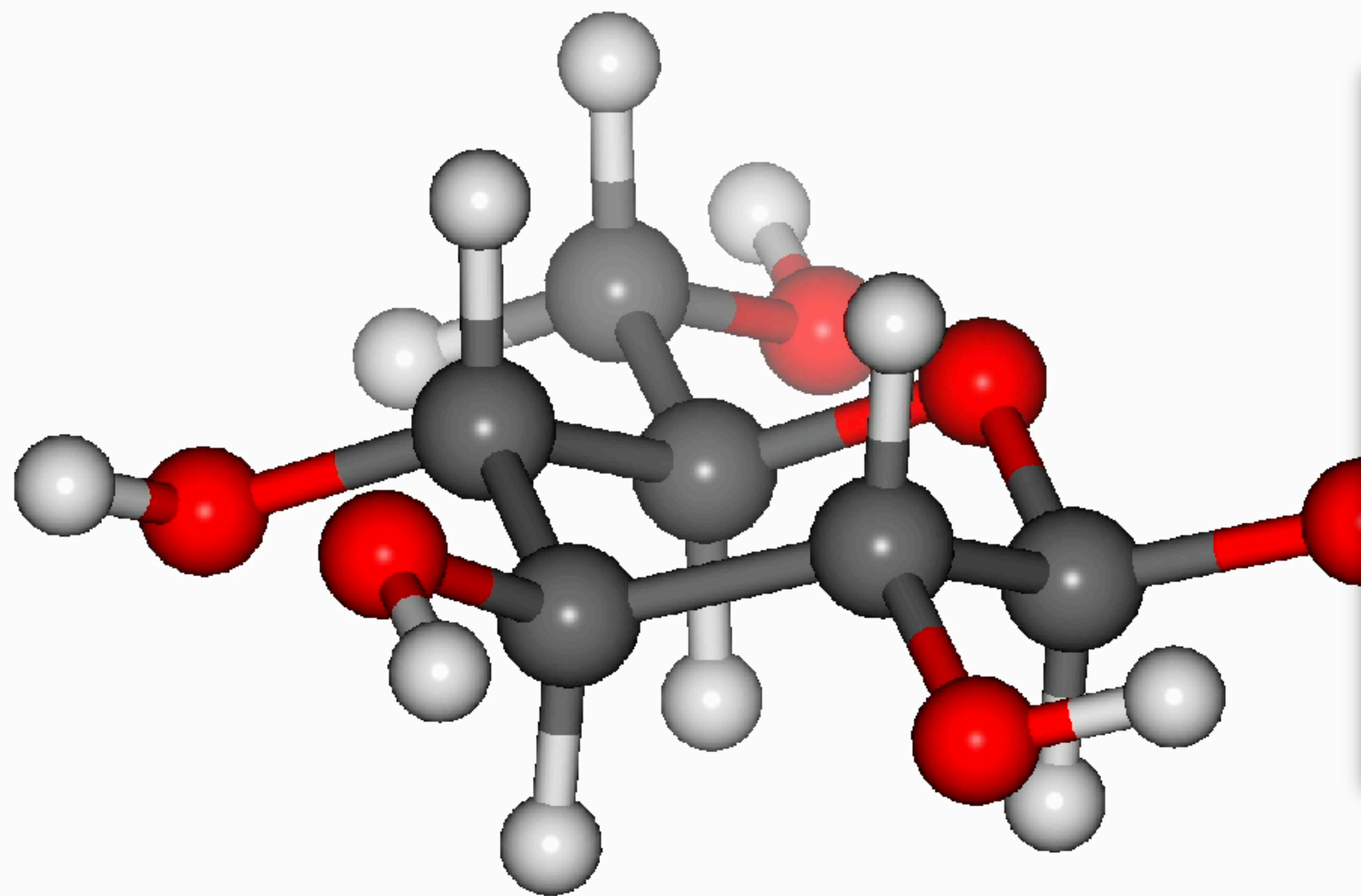
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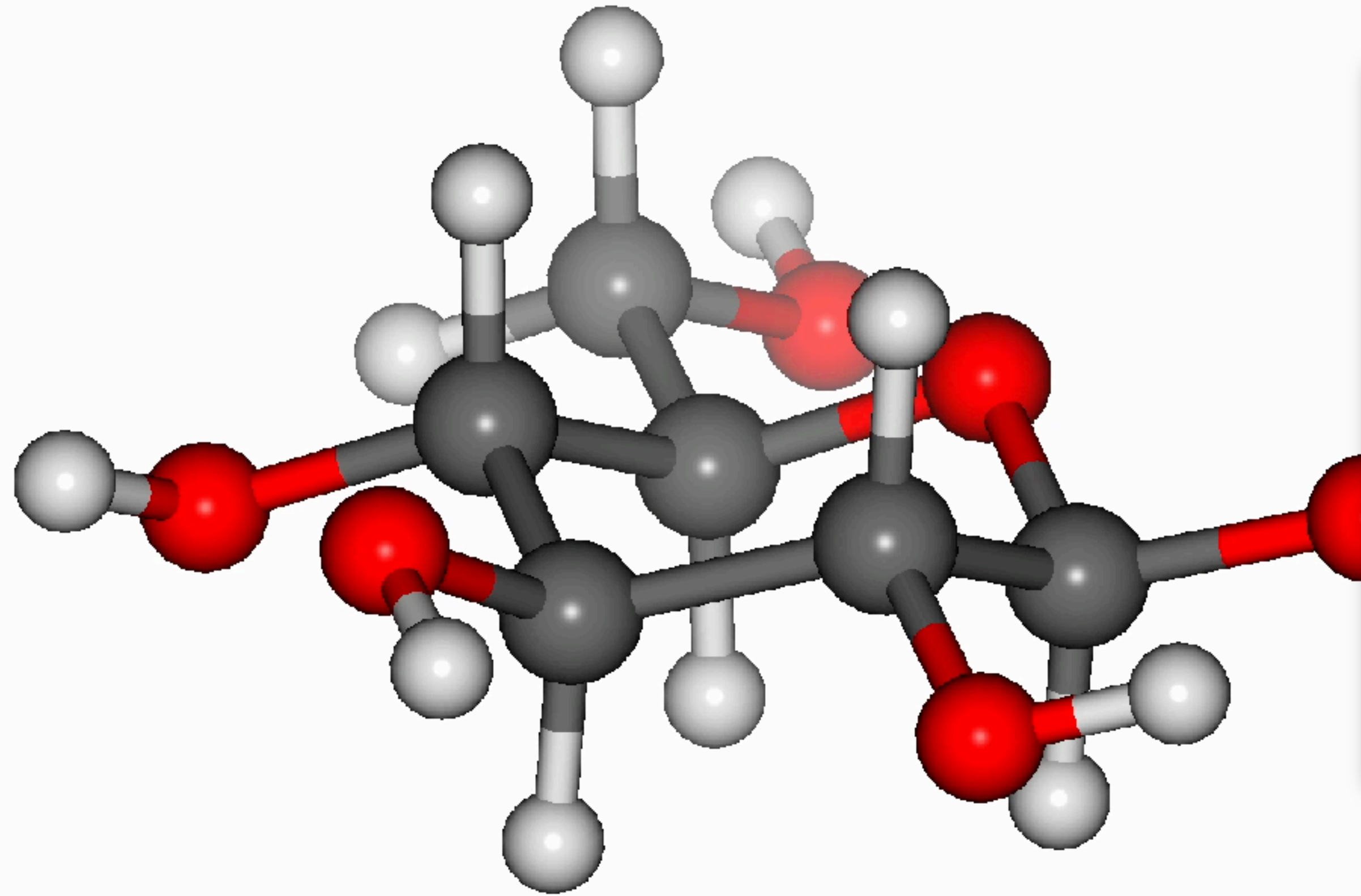
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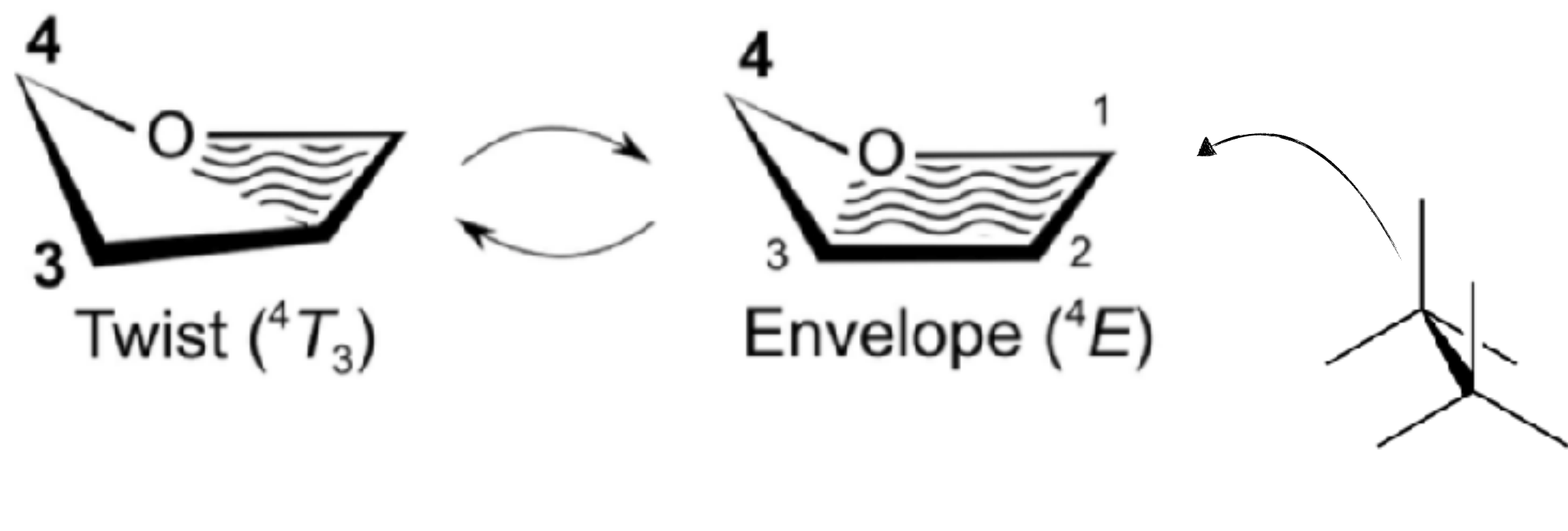
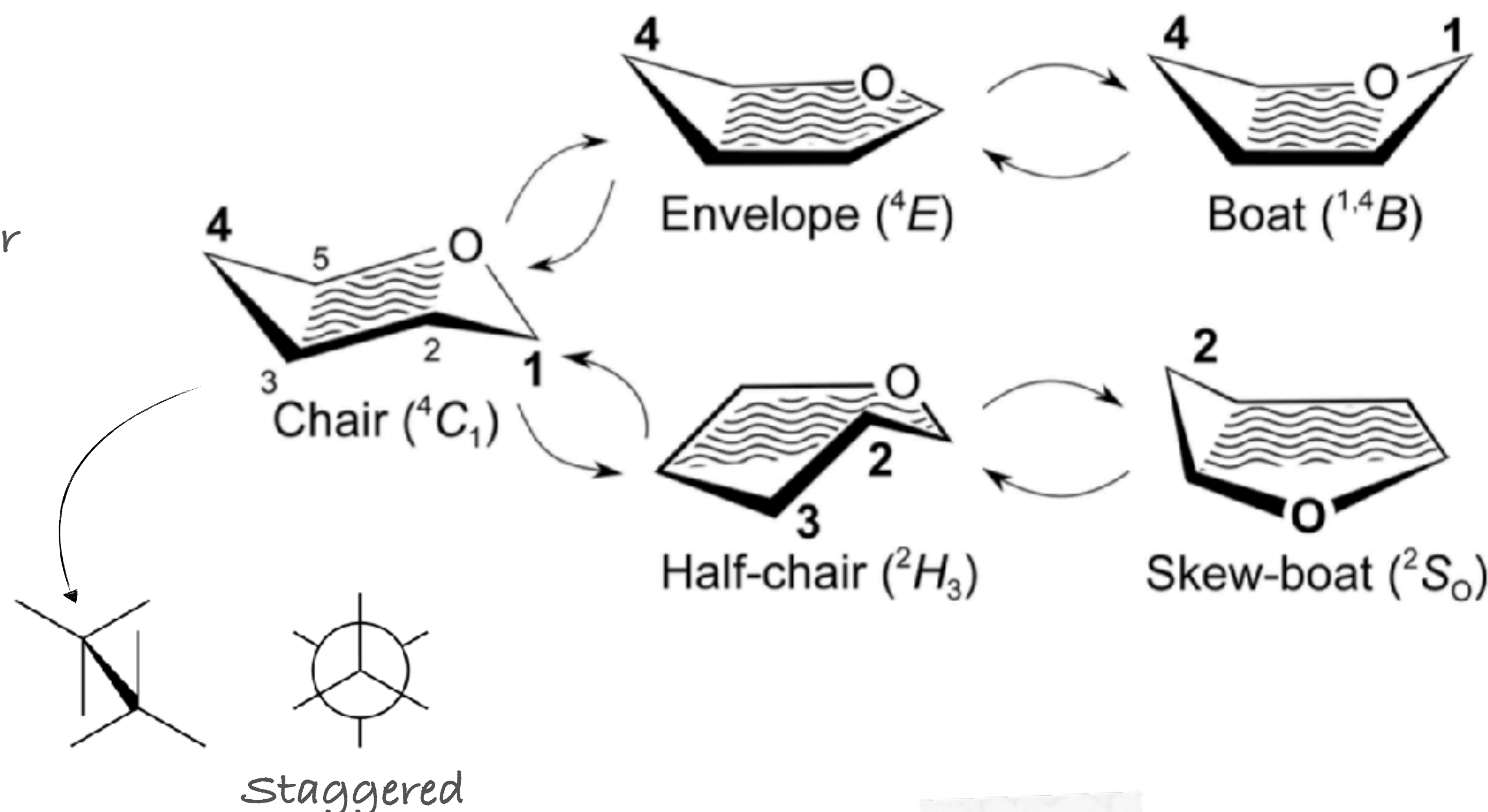
**a  $^4C_1$  chair**

chairs are comfortable for sugars

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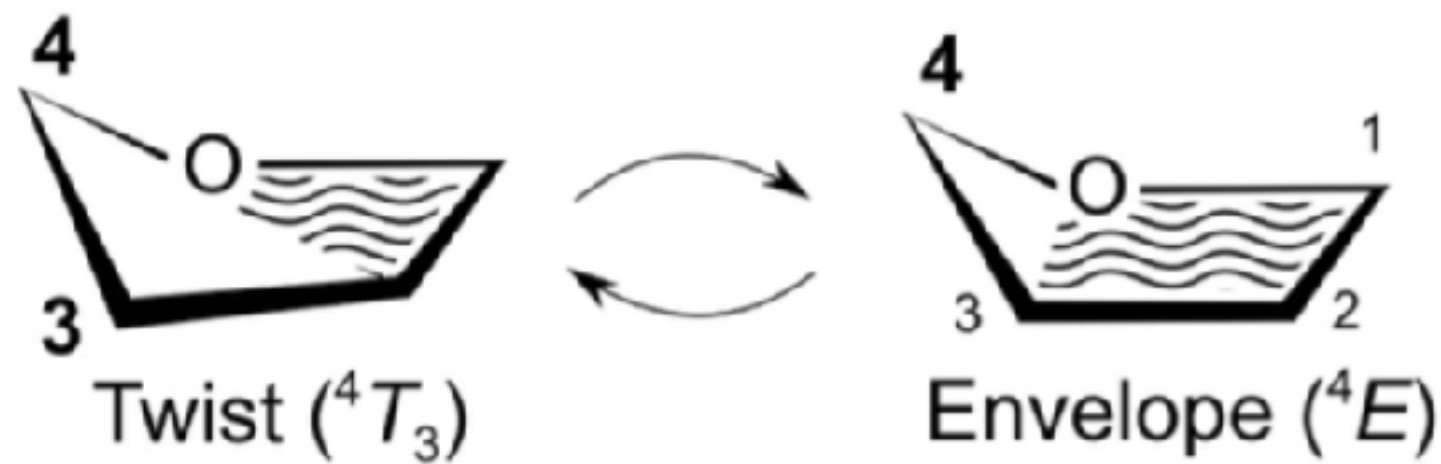
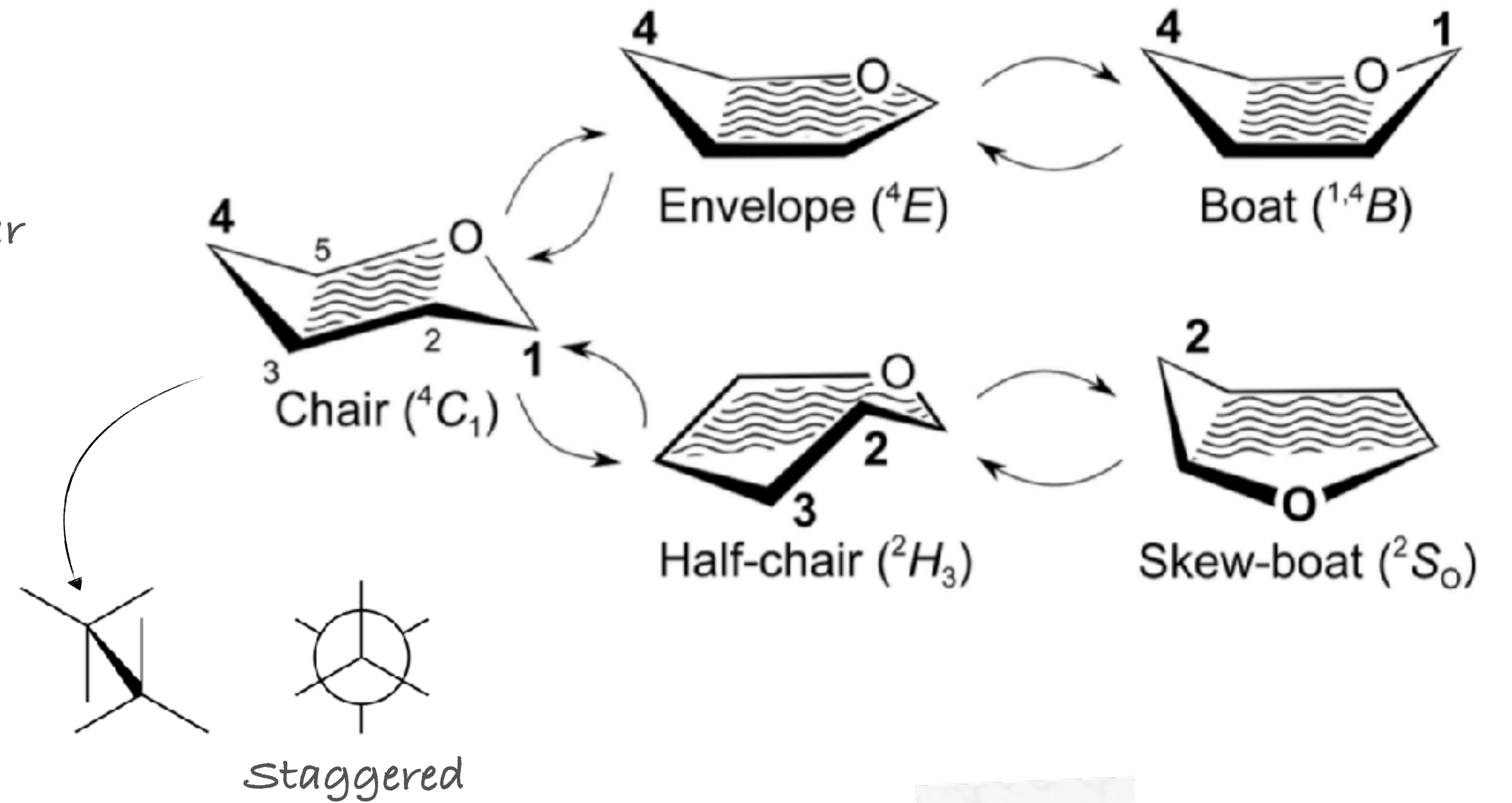
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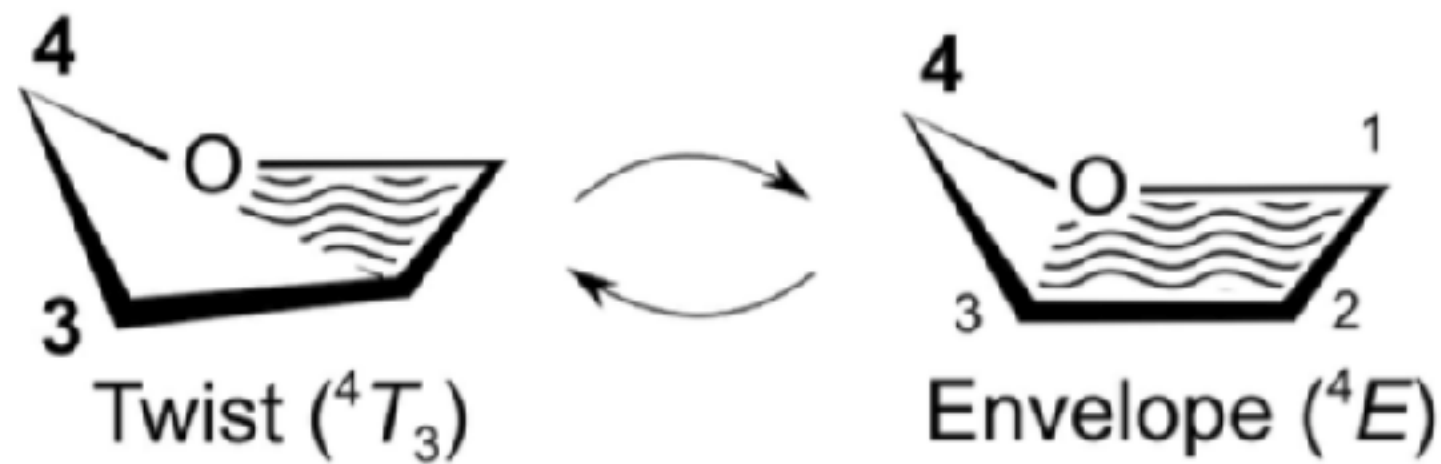
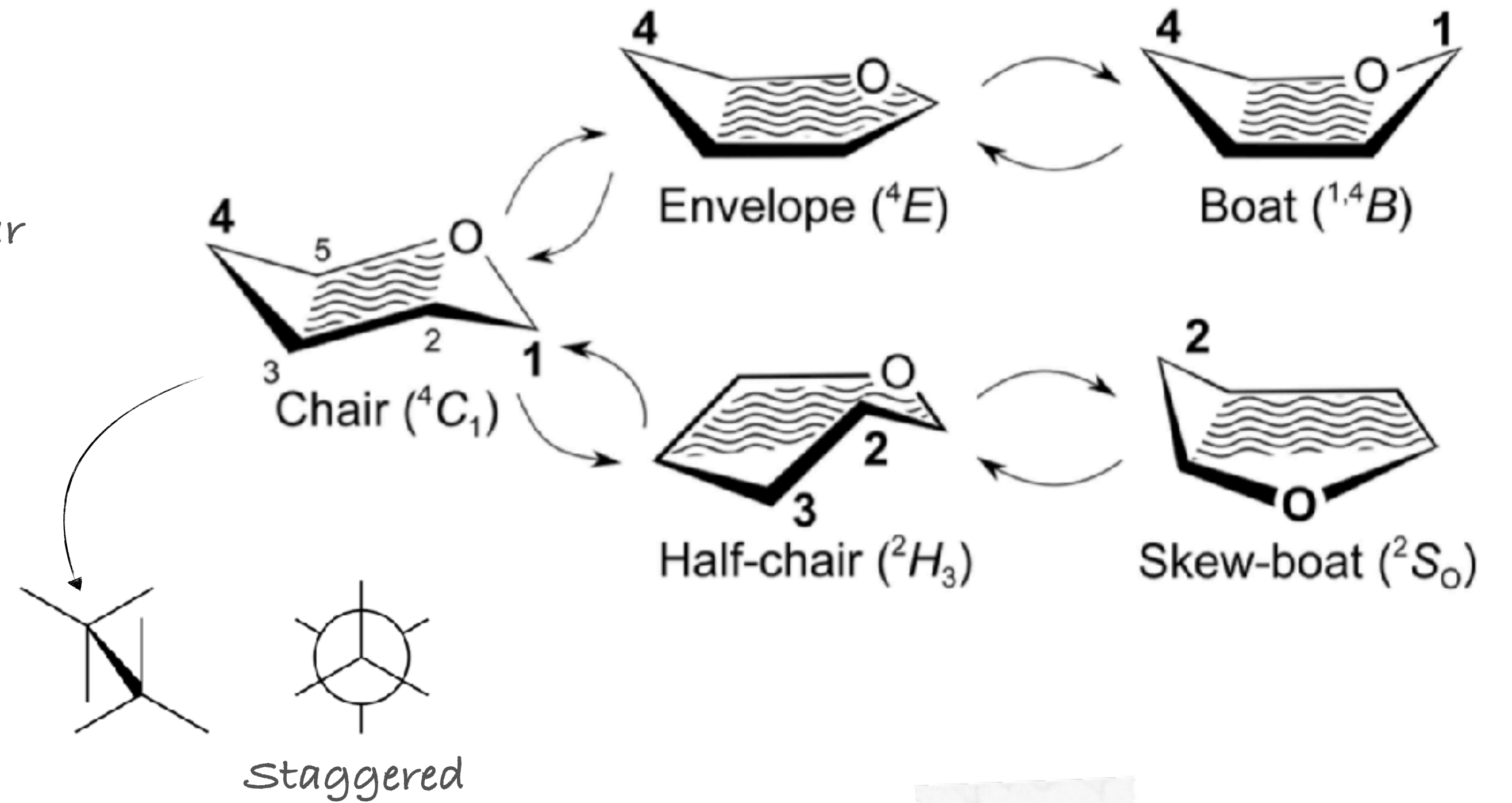


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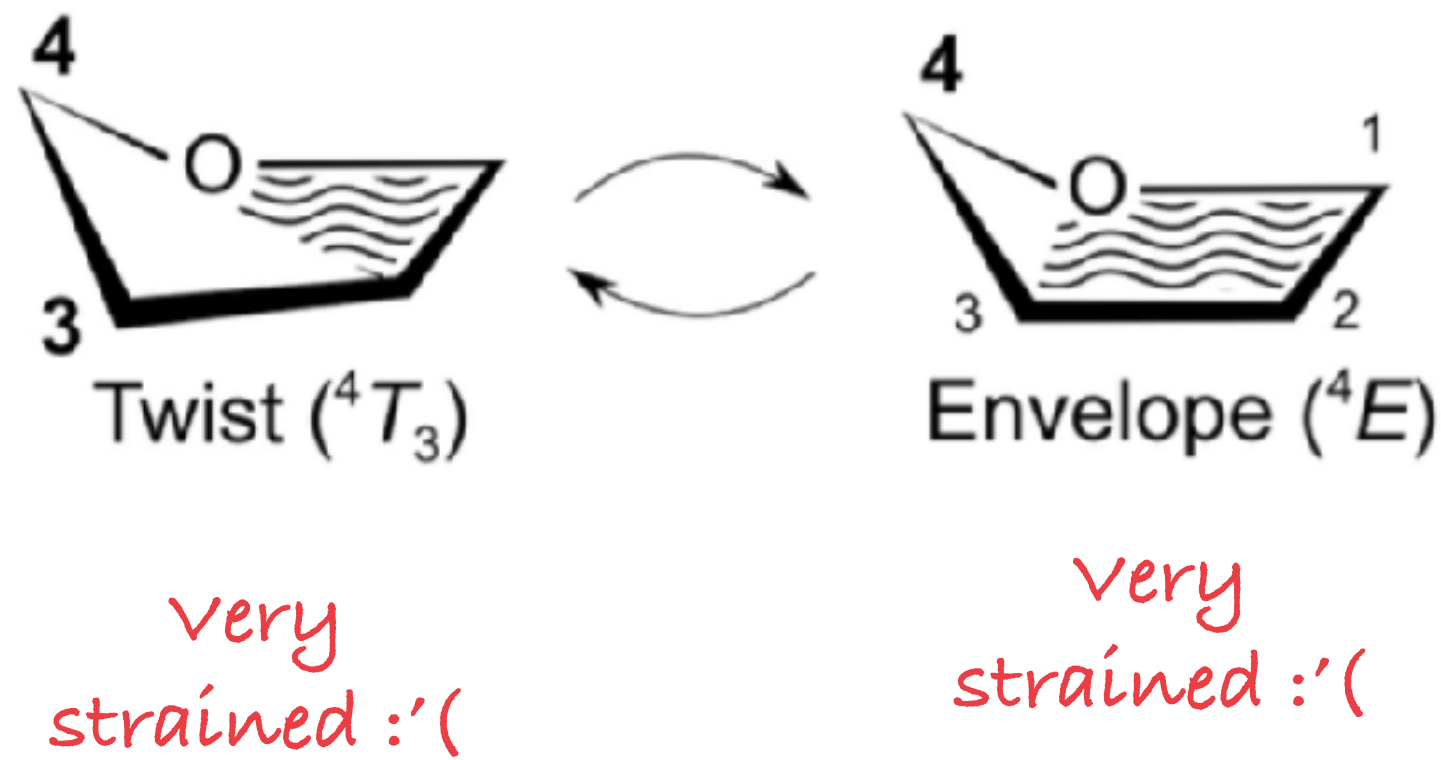
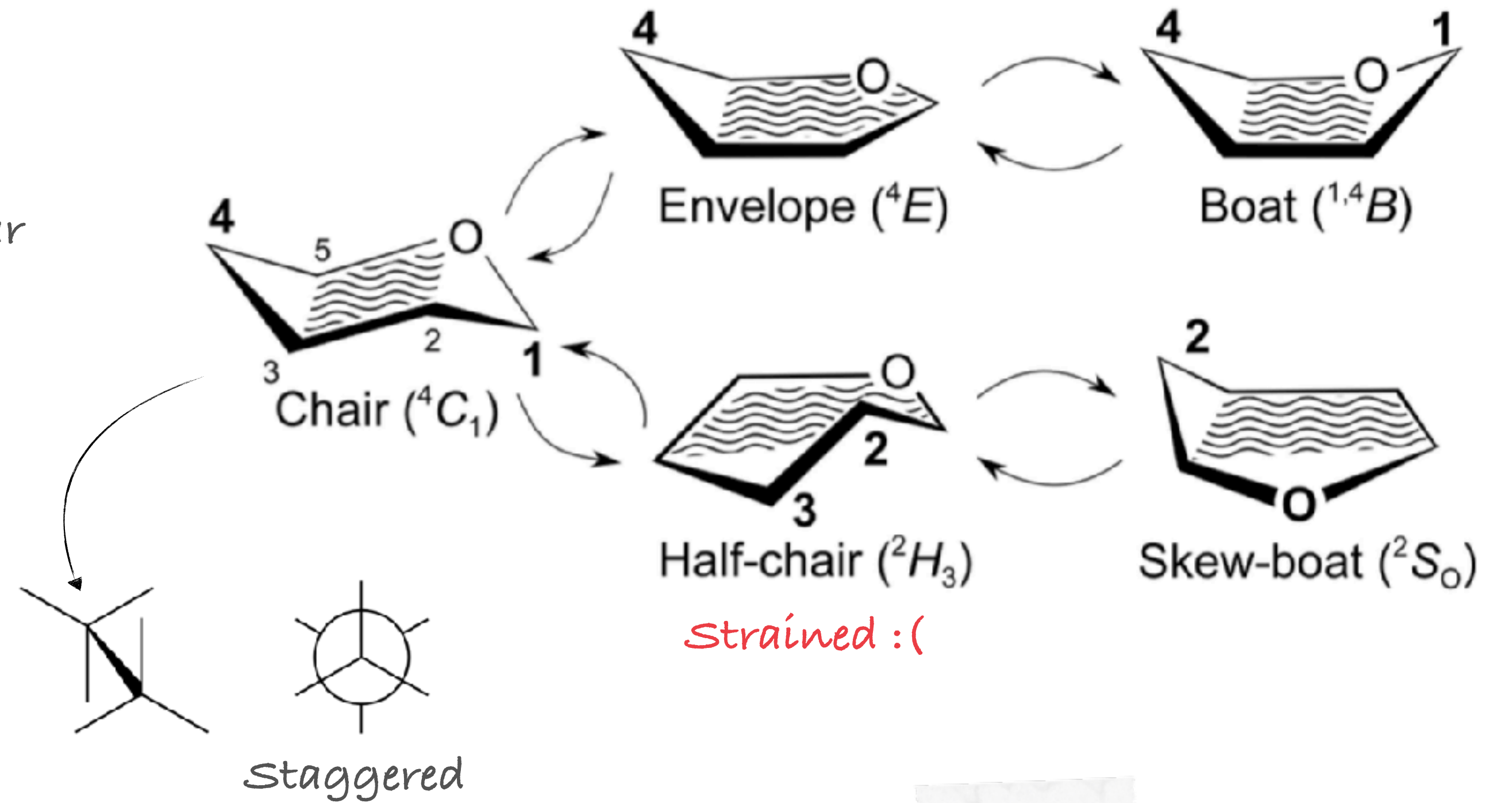


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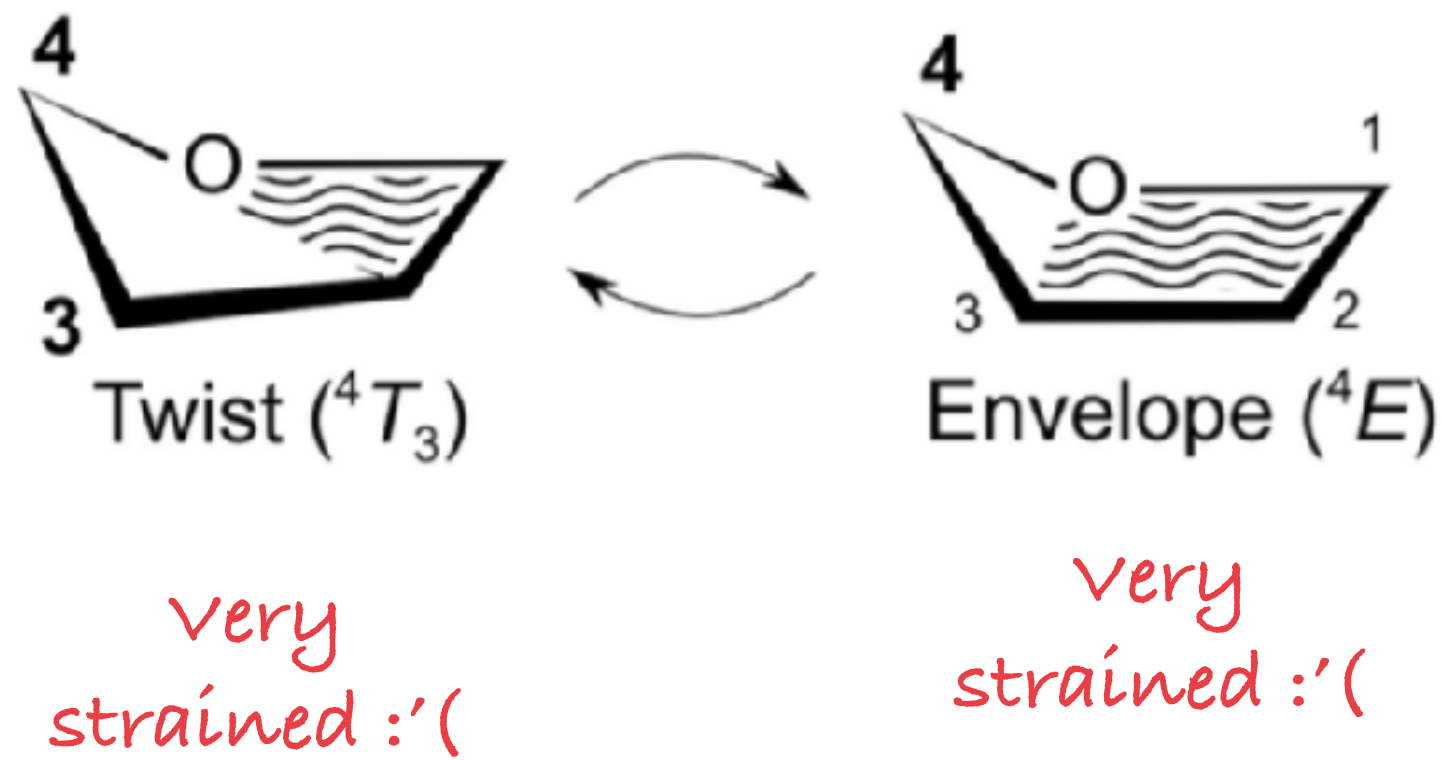
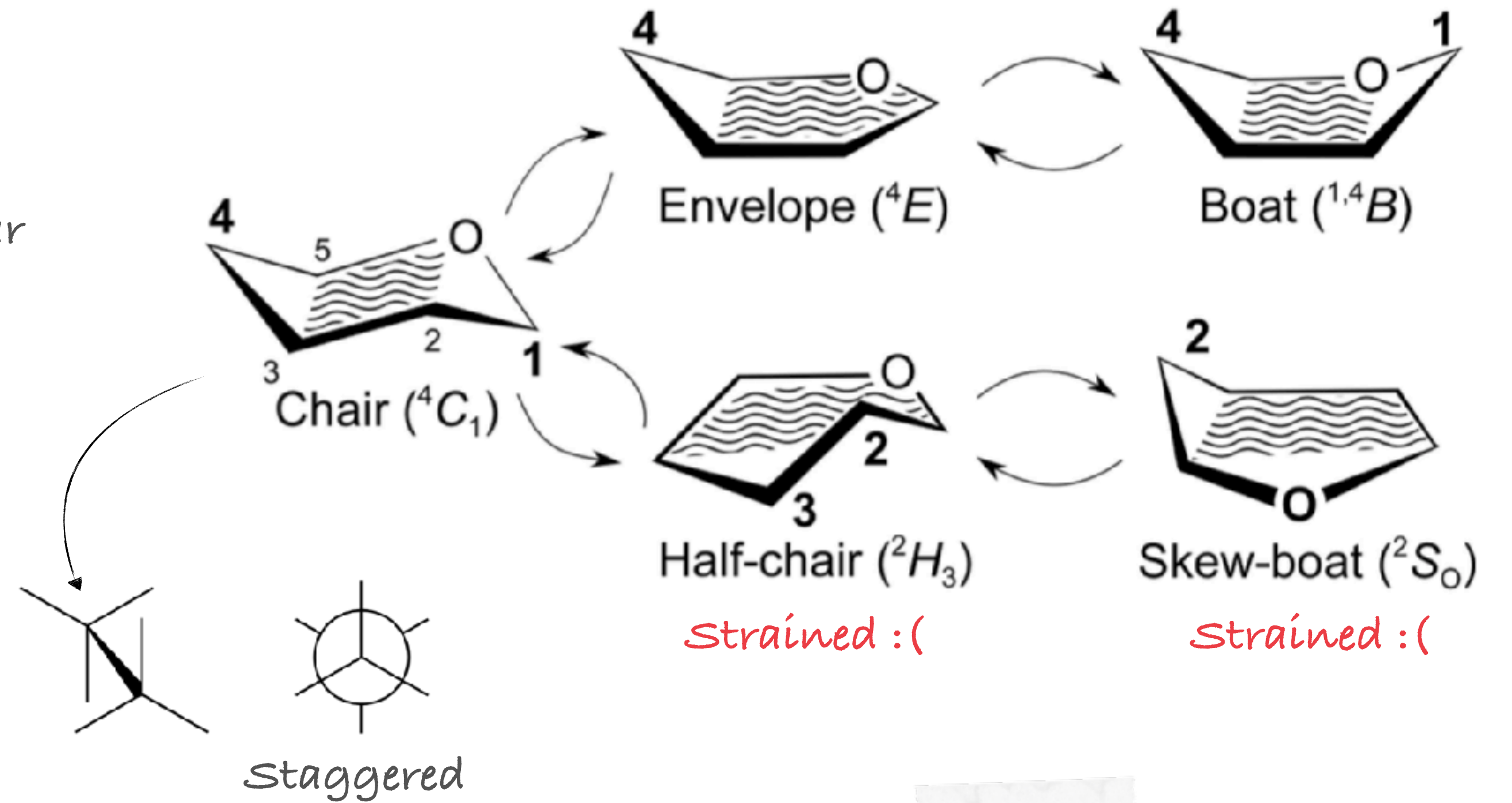
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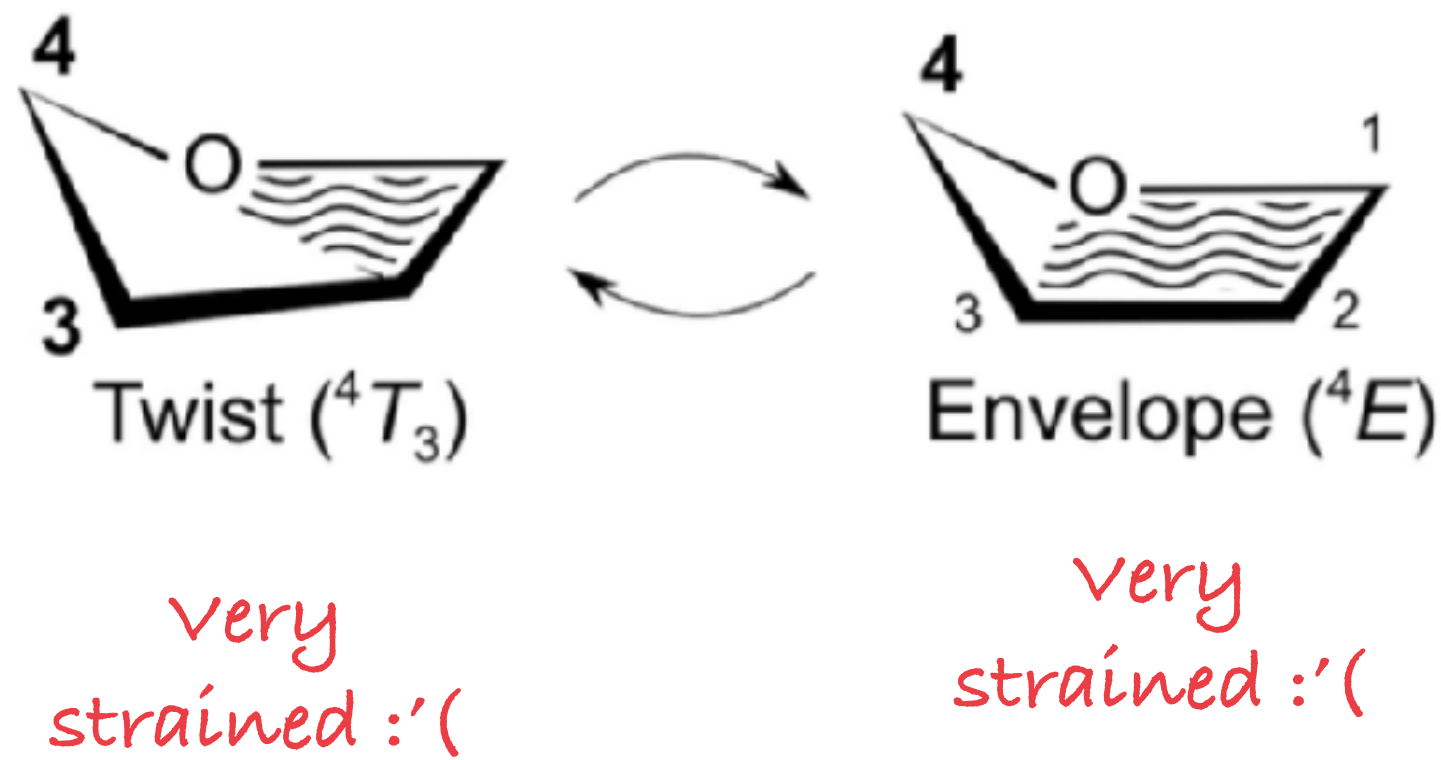
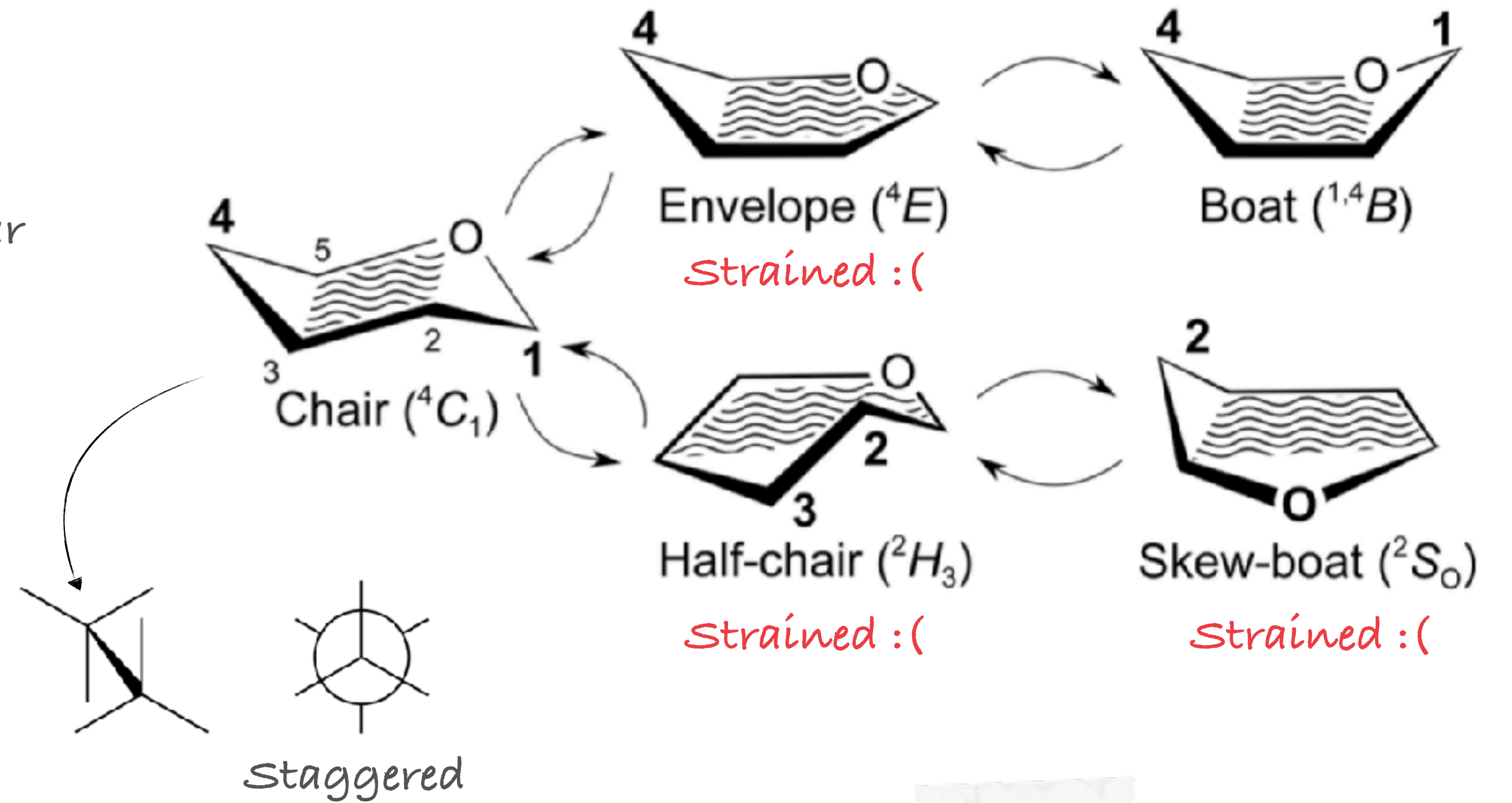


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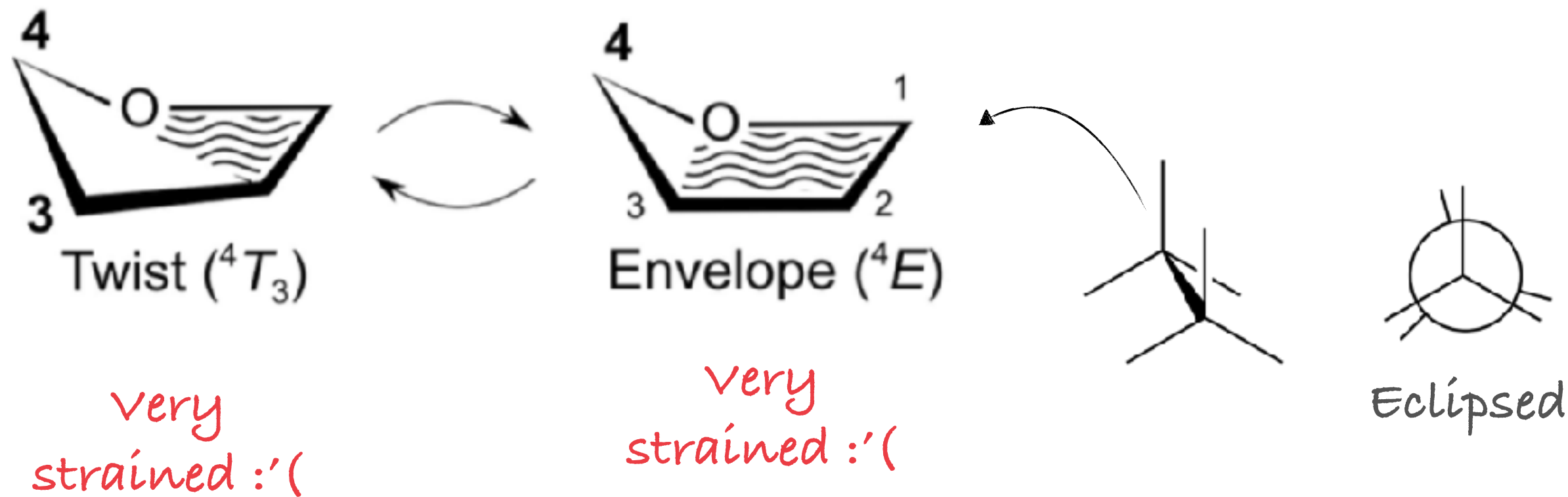
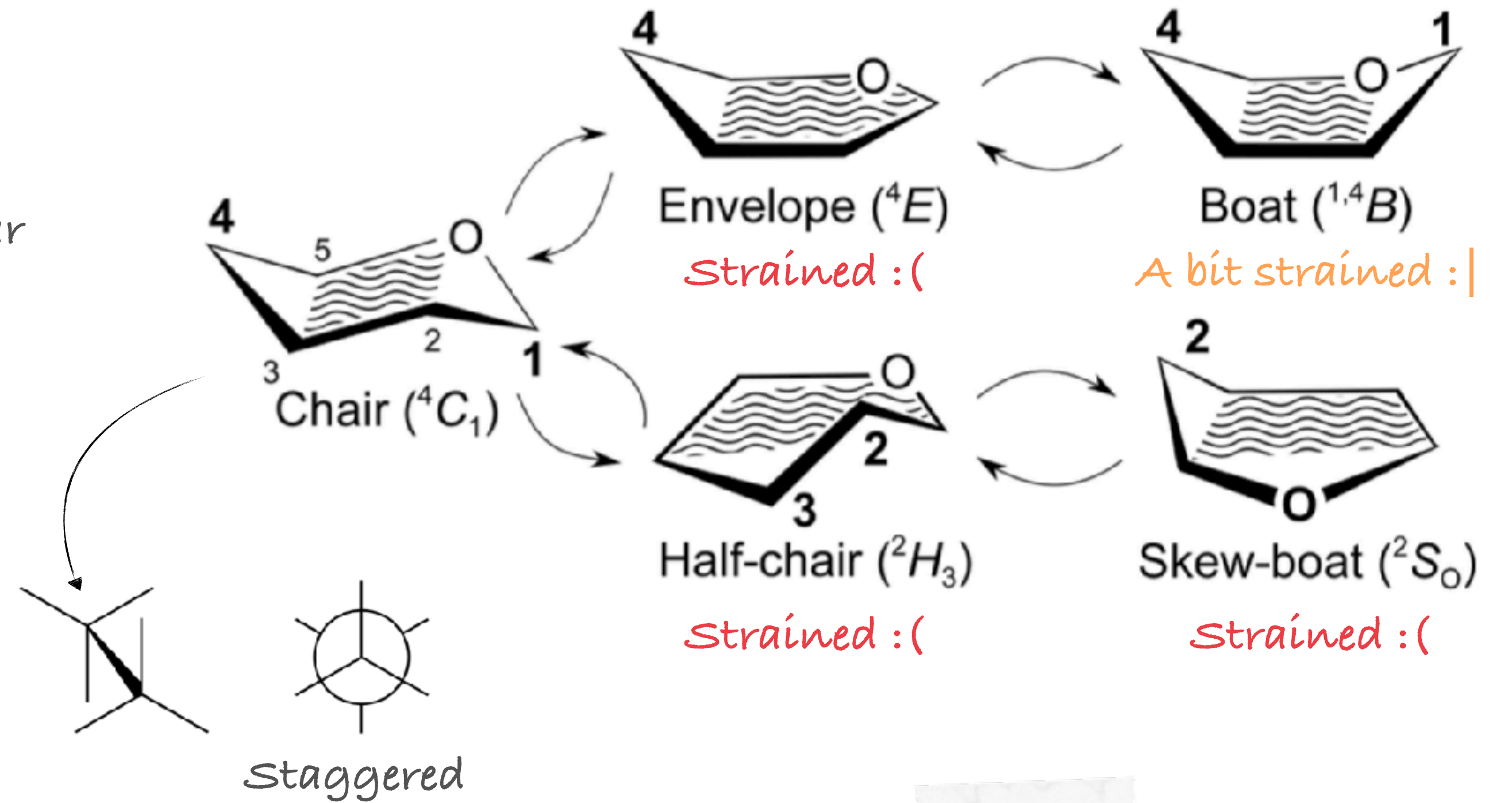


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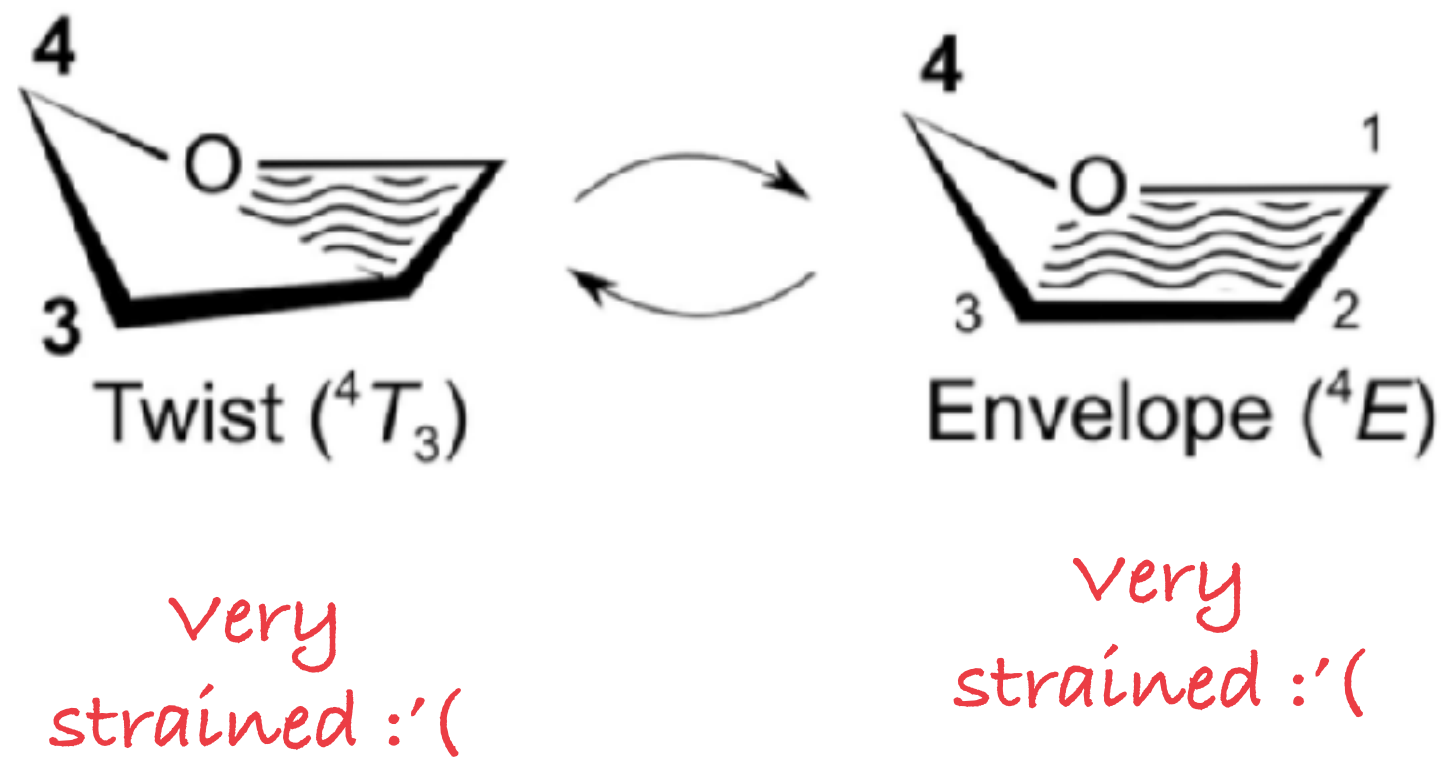
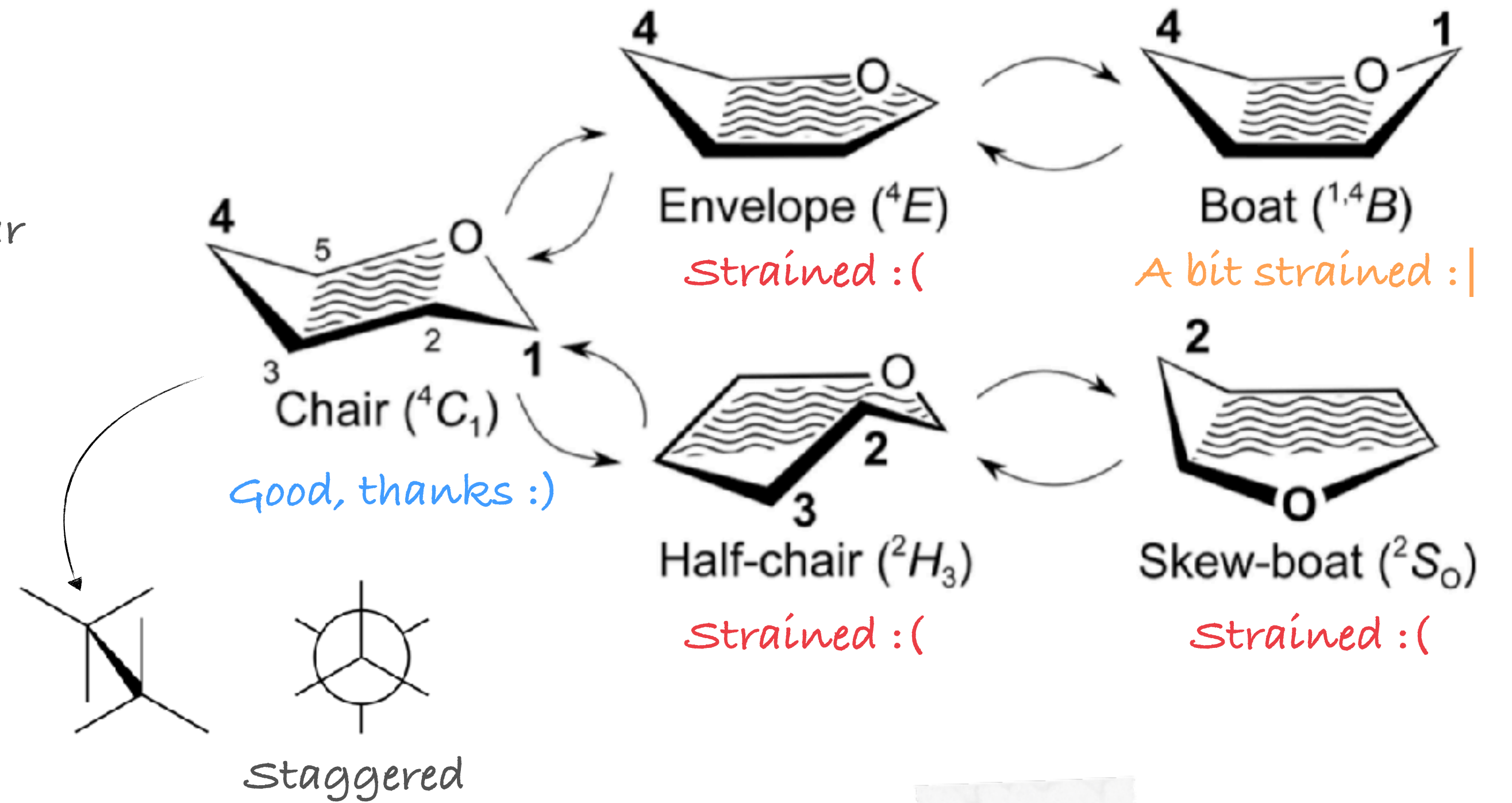


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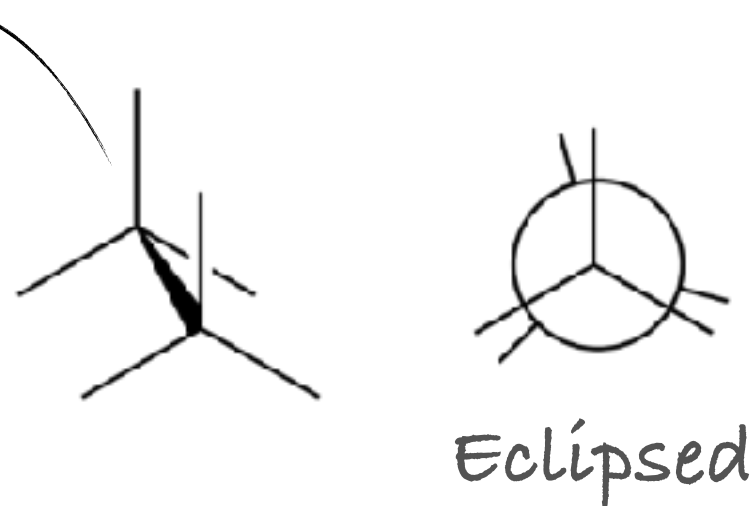
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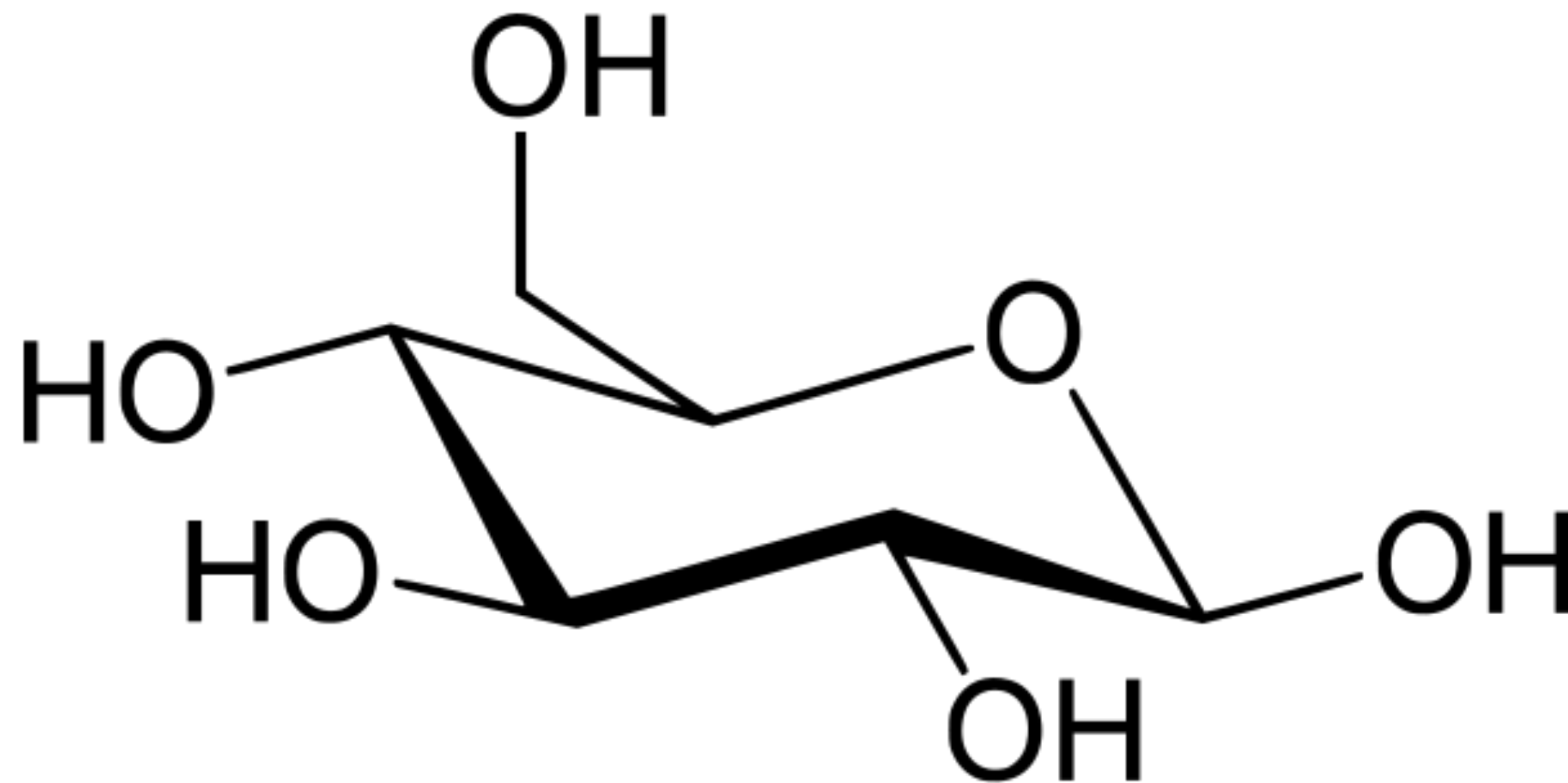
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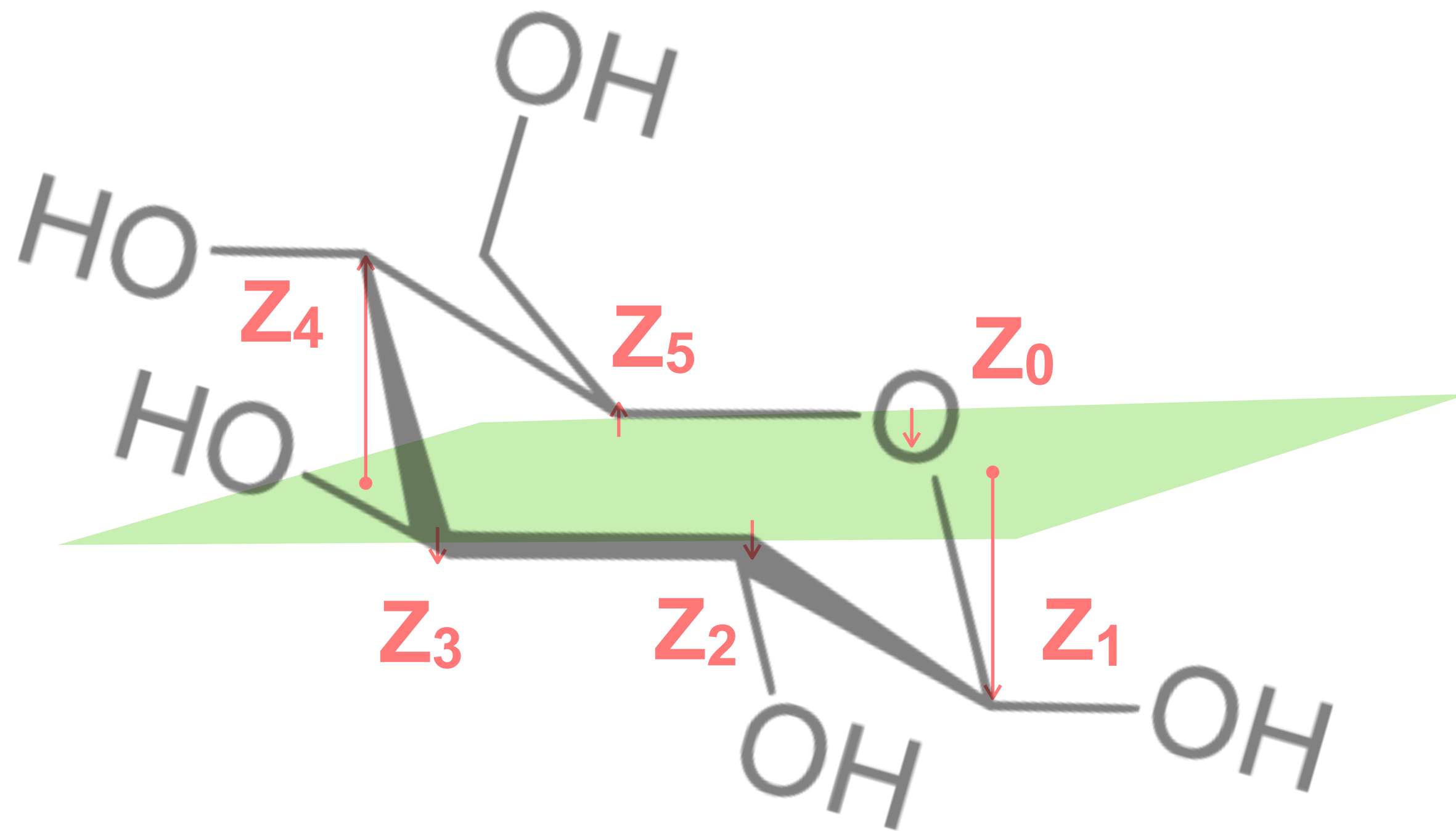
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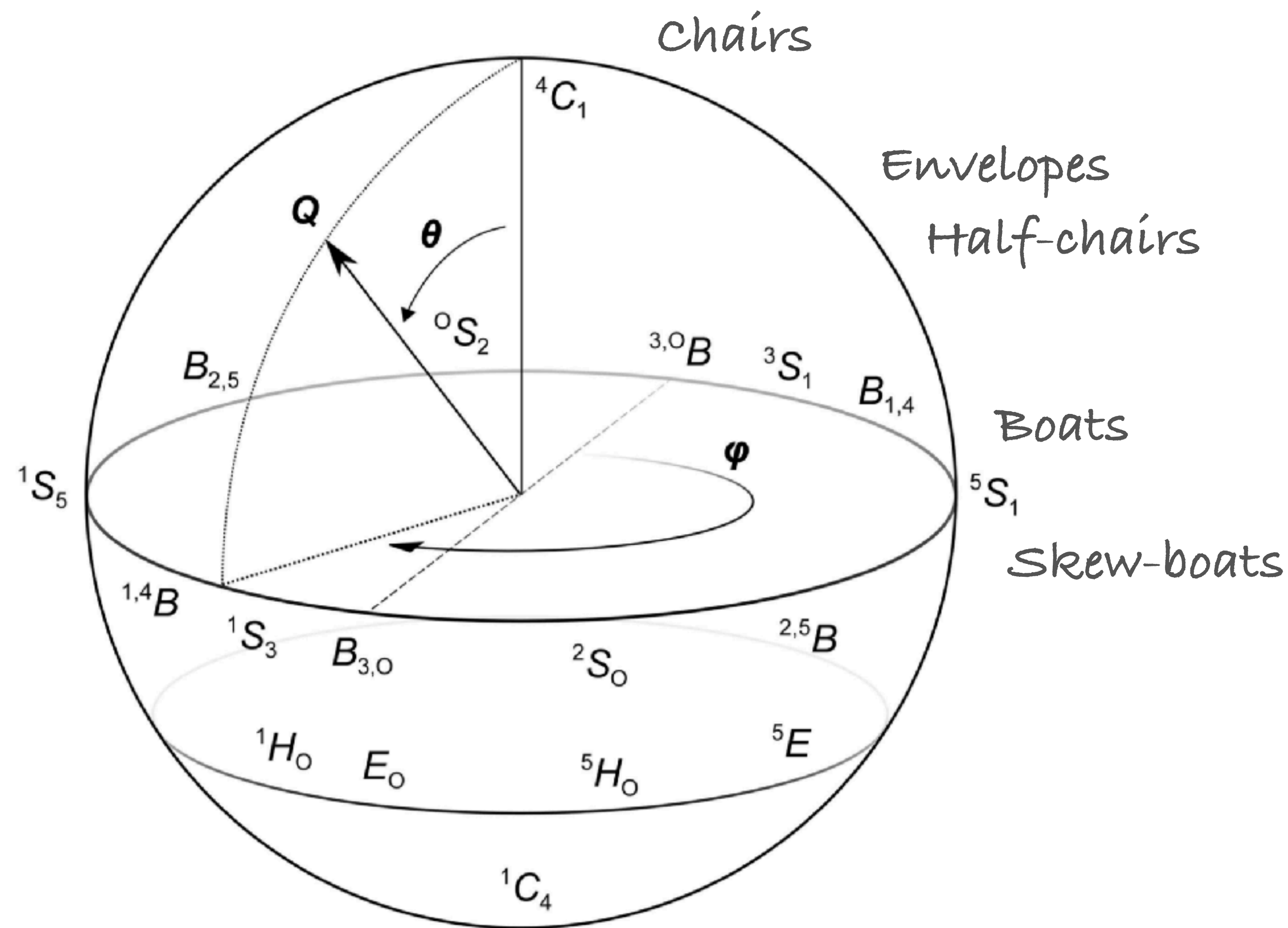
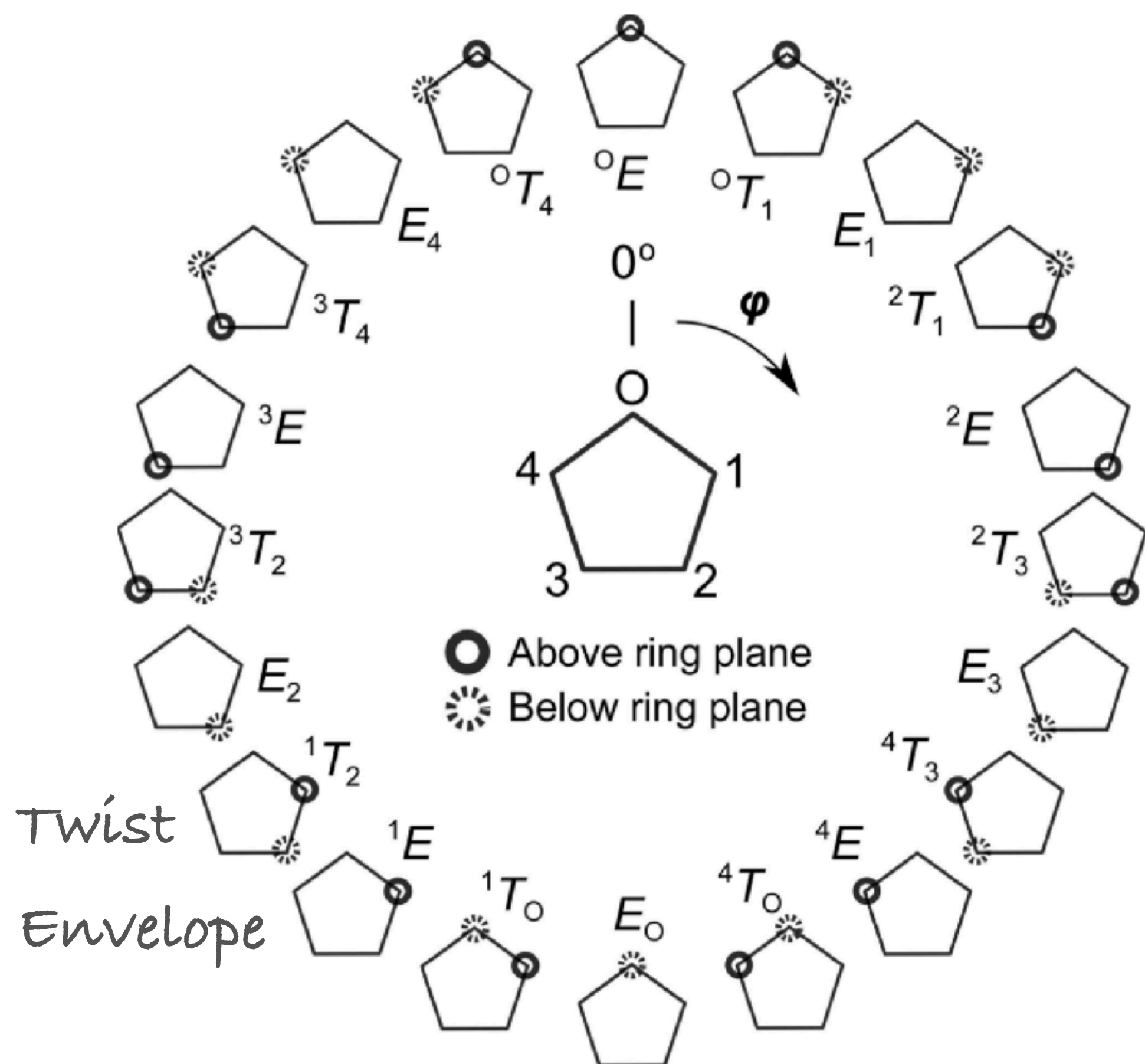
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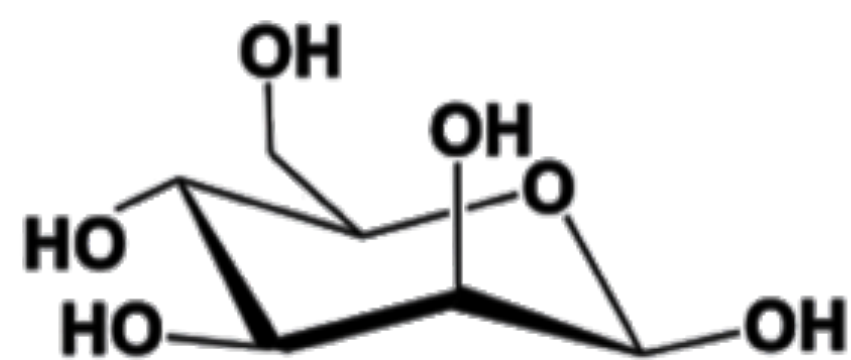
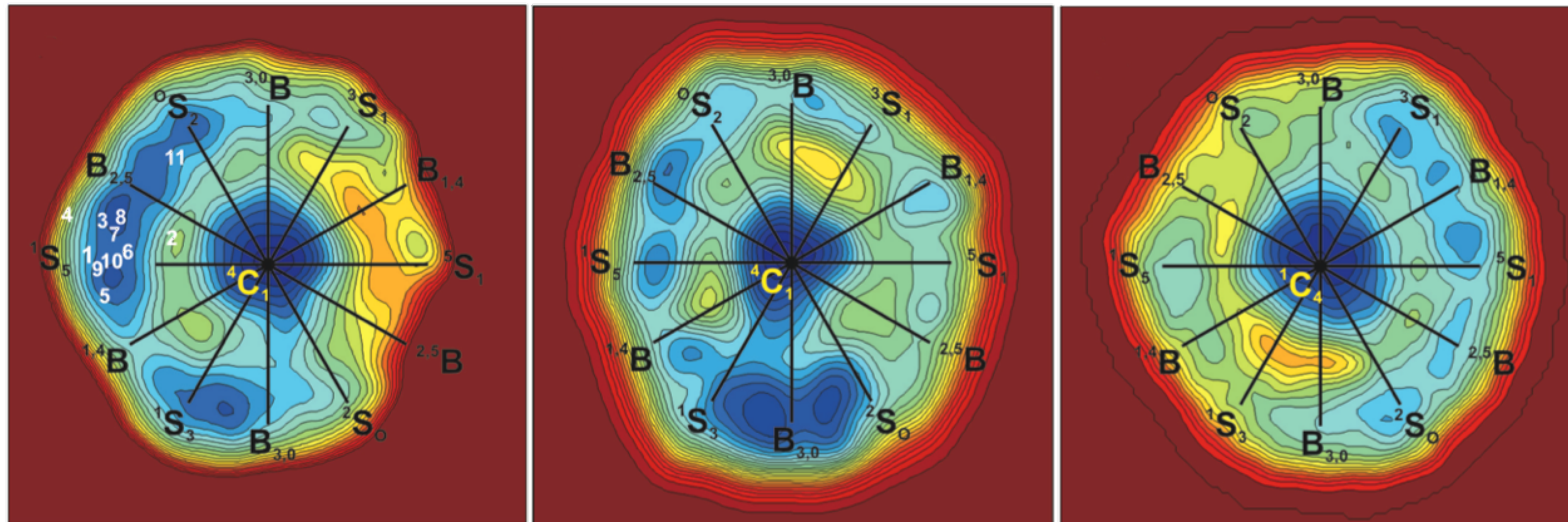
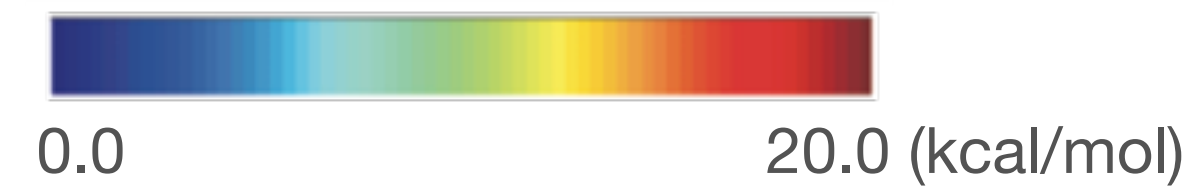
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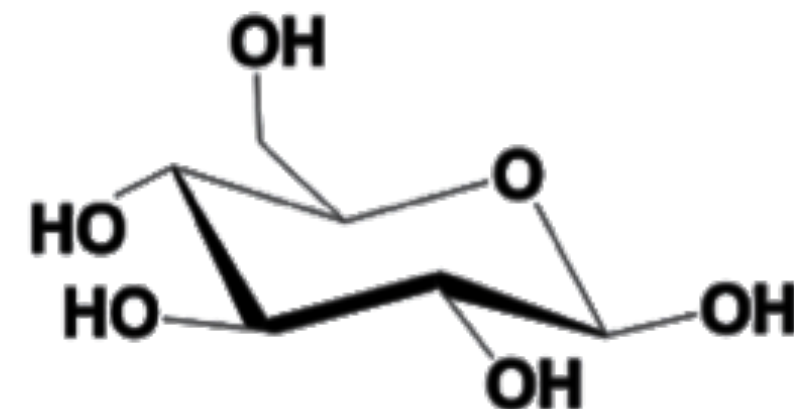
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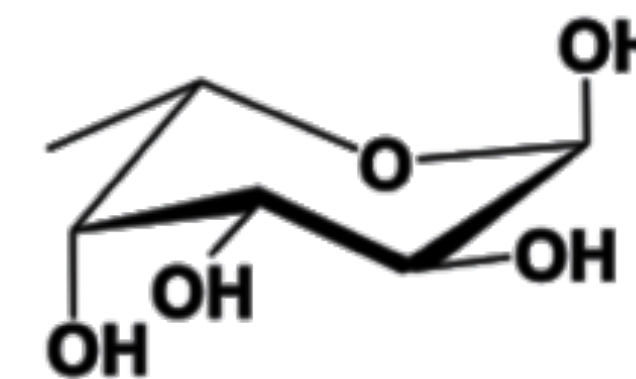
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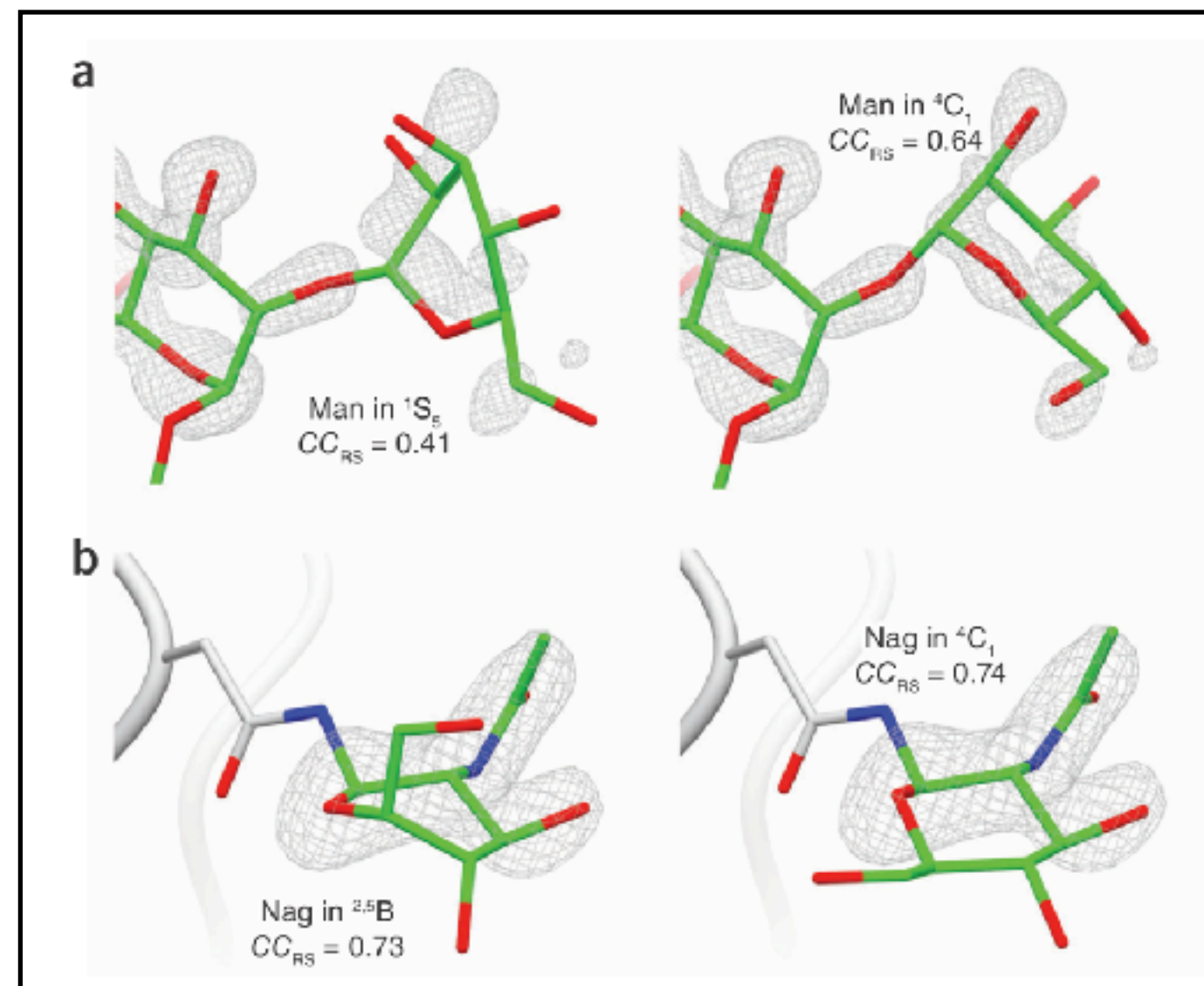
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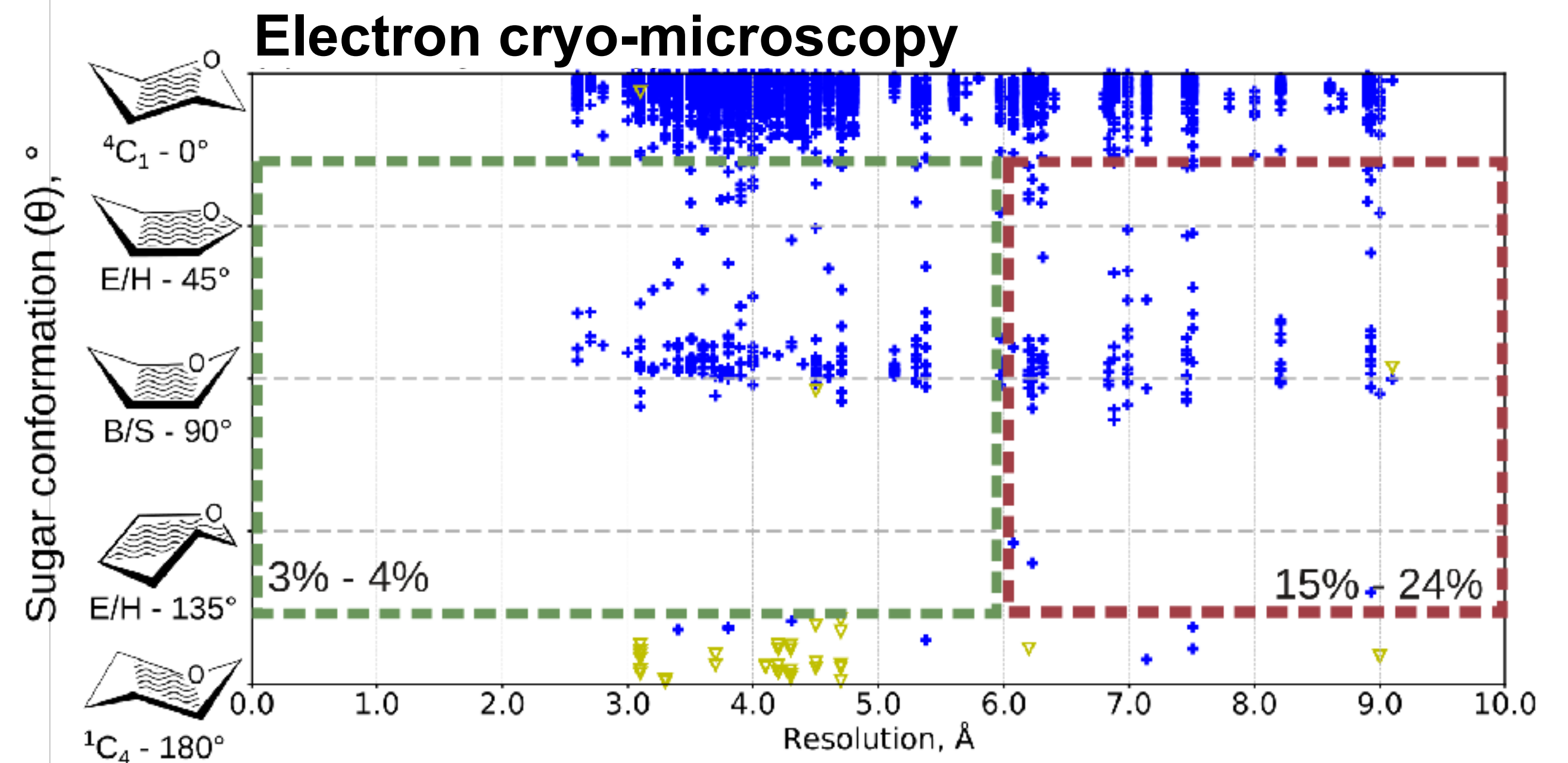
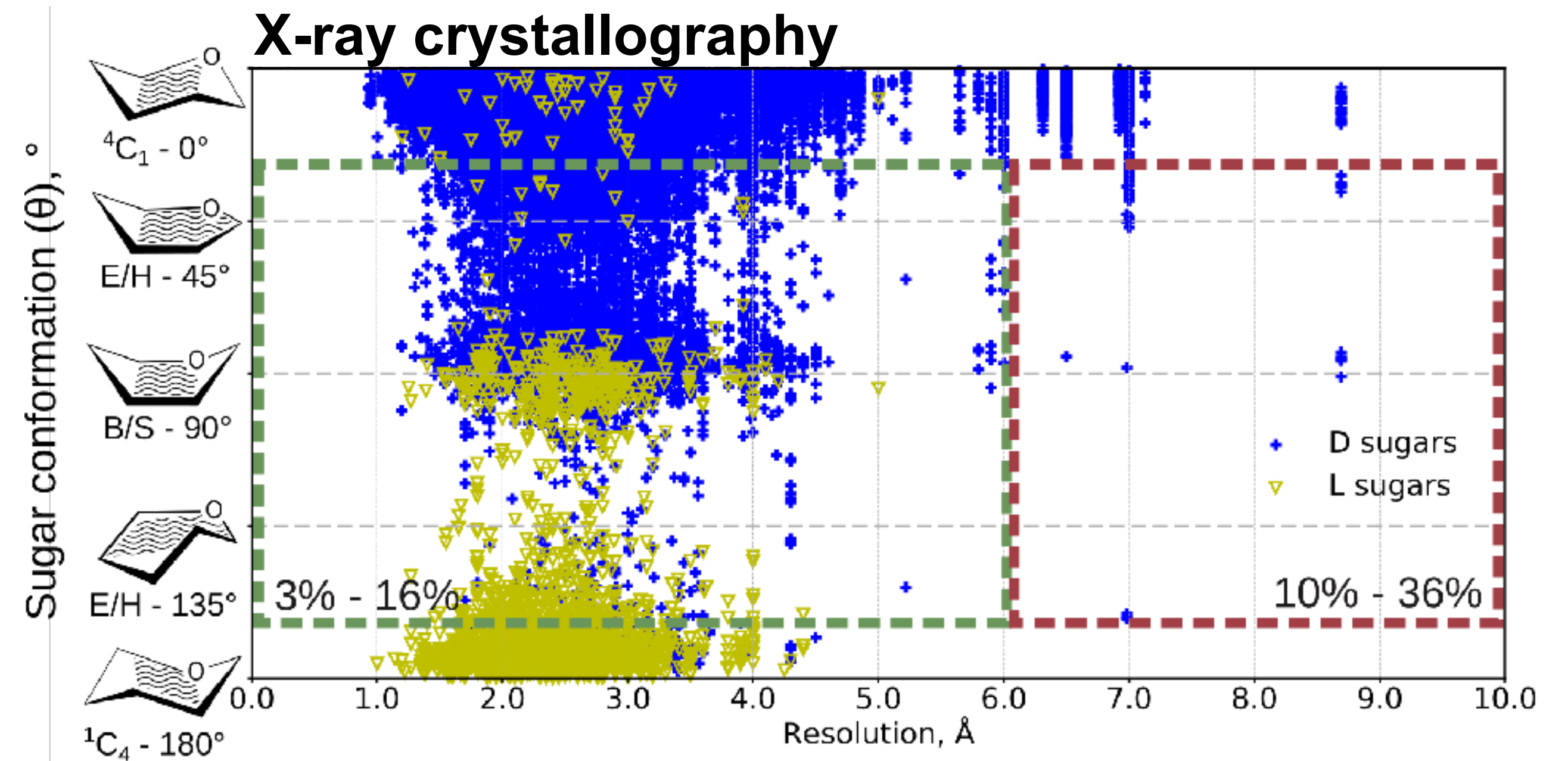
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# Ring conformation in protein glycosylation

- Many more **high-energy** conformations than expected.
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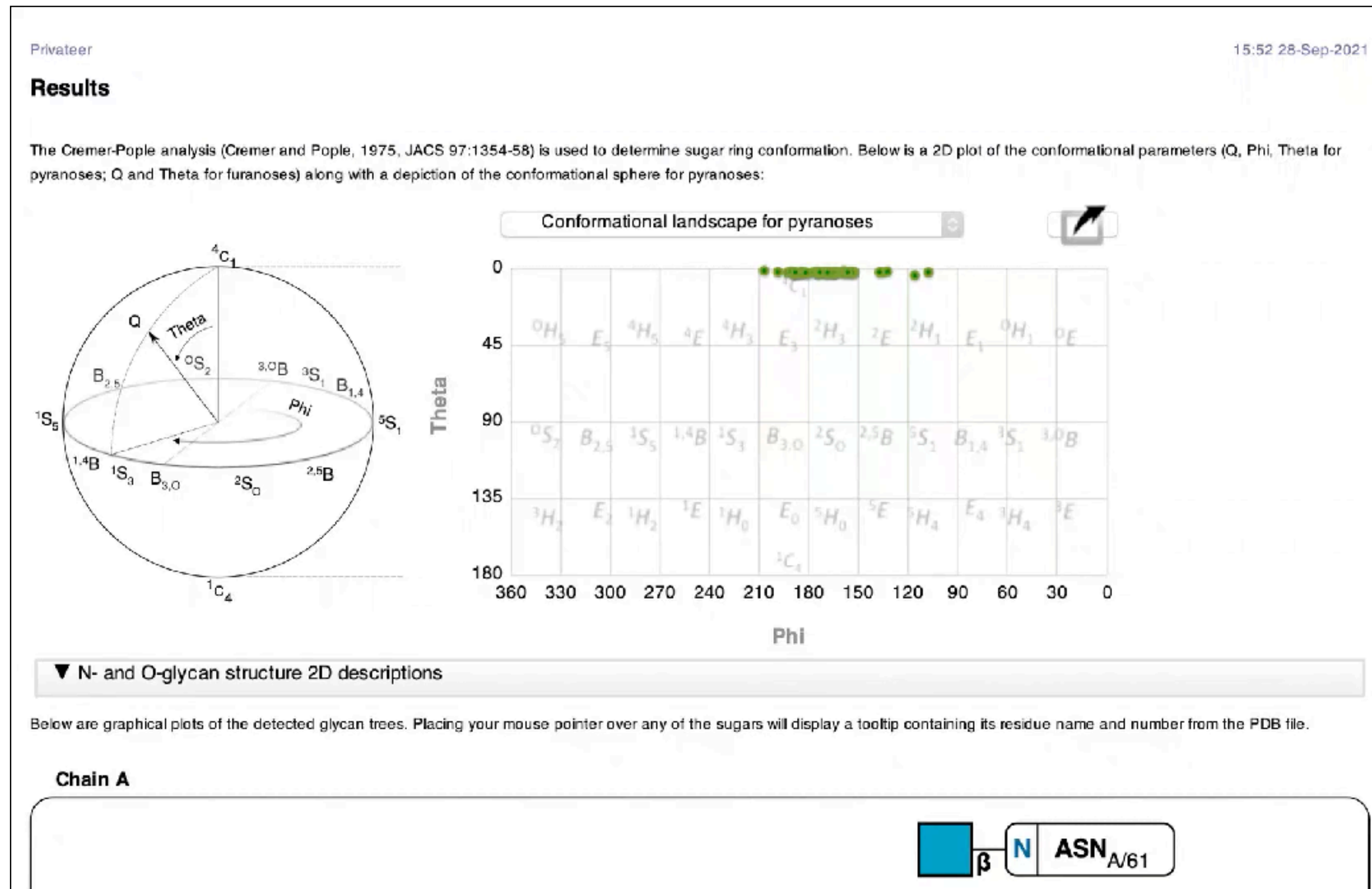
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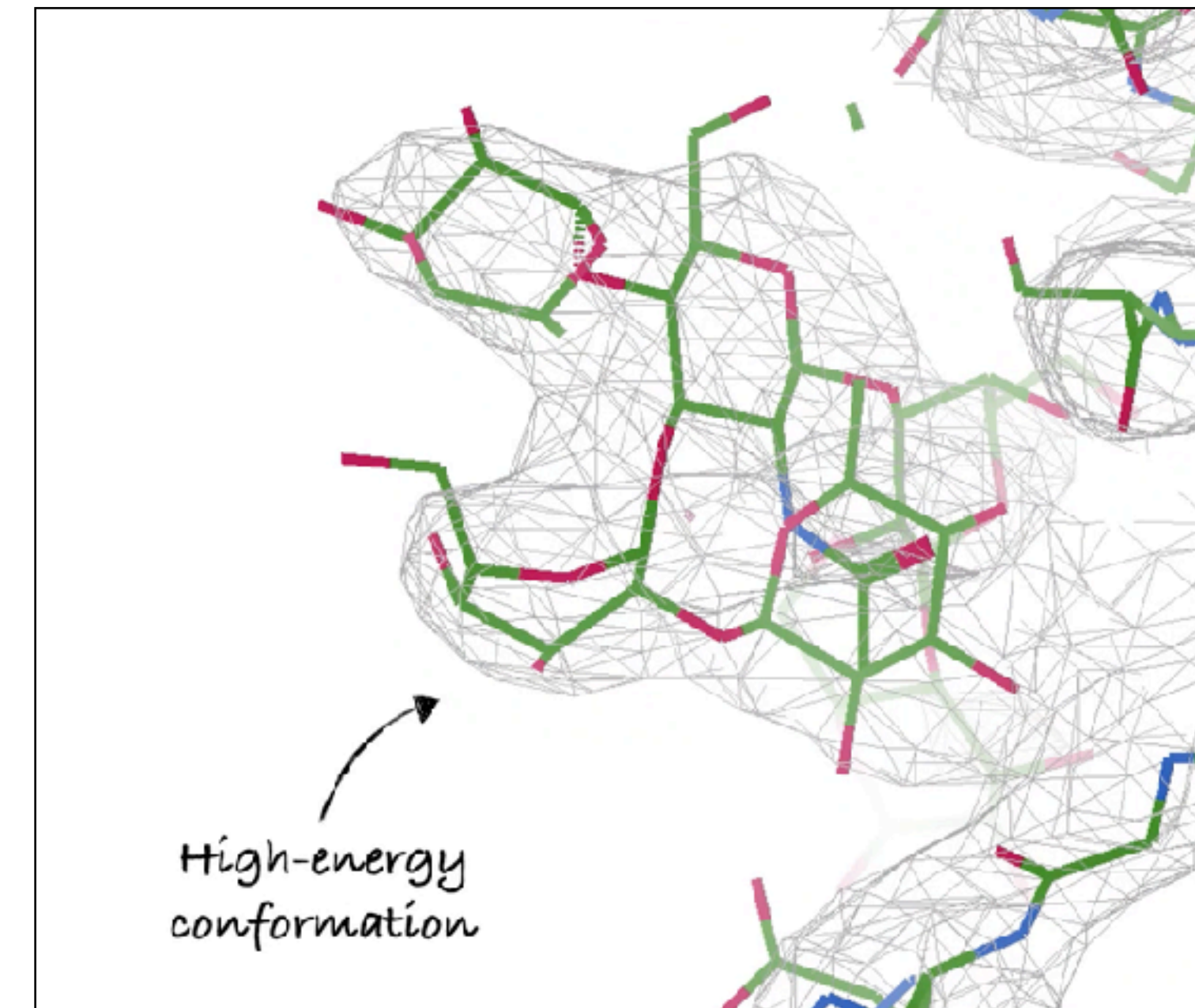


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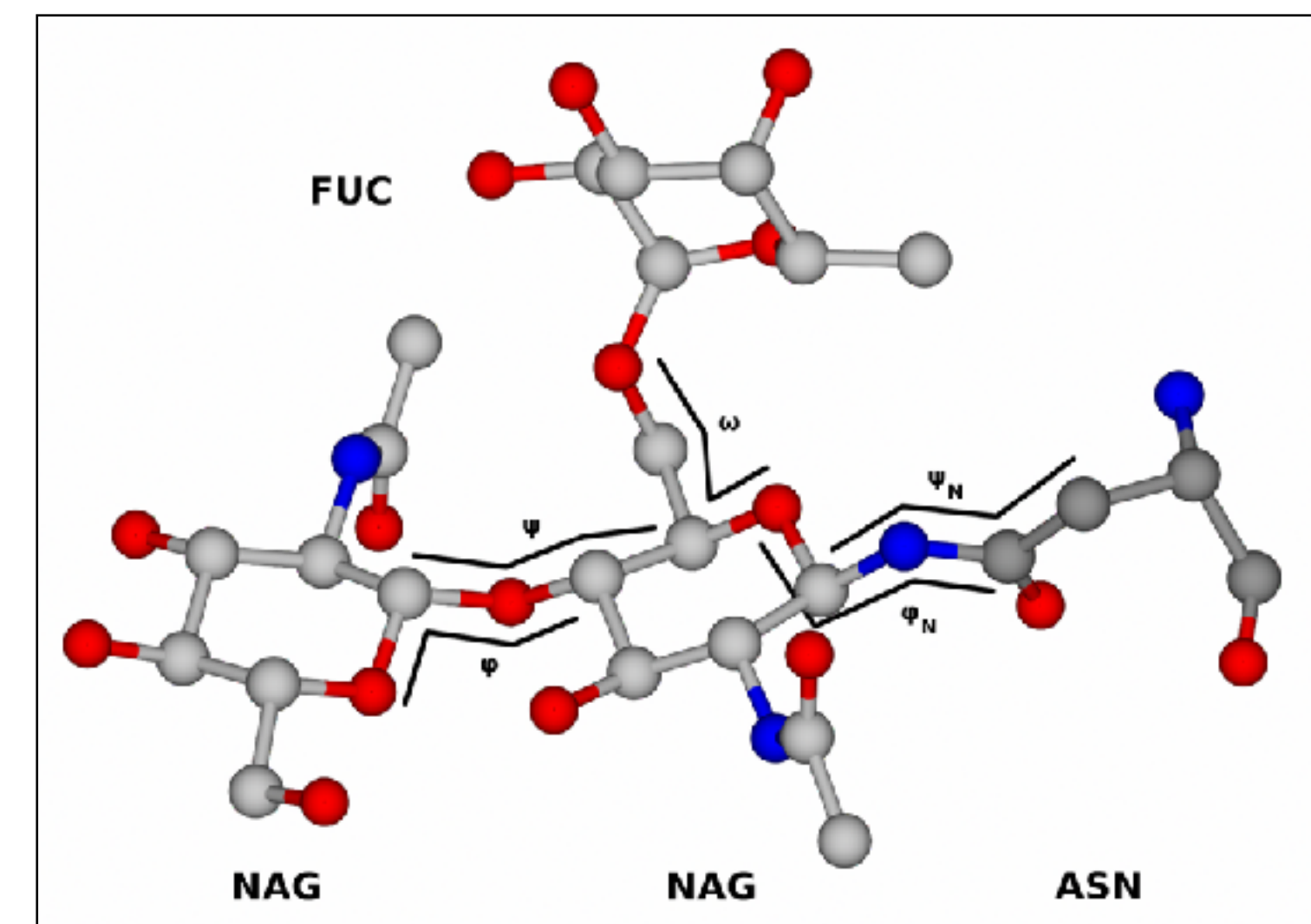
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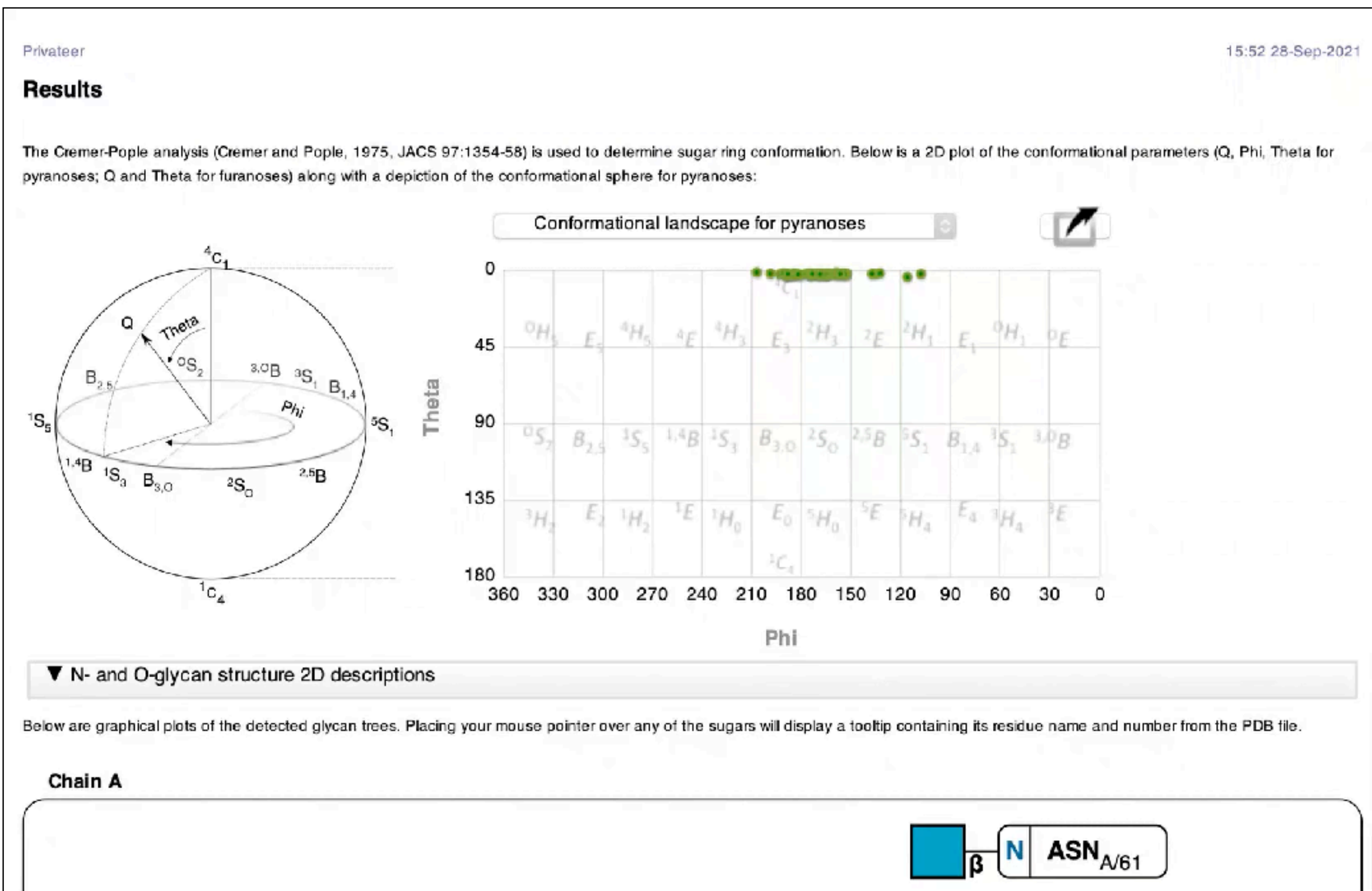
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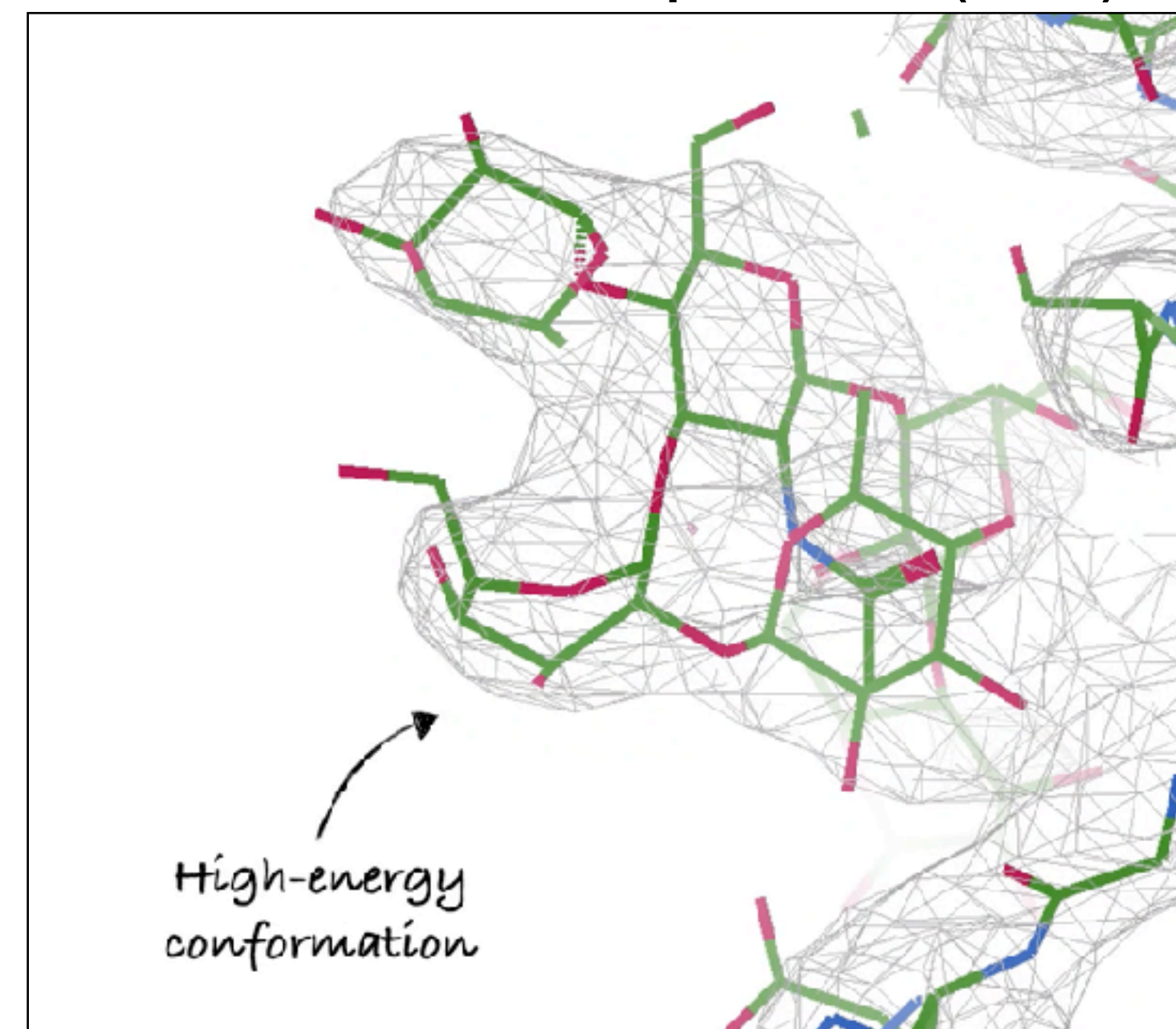


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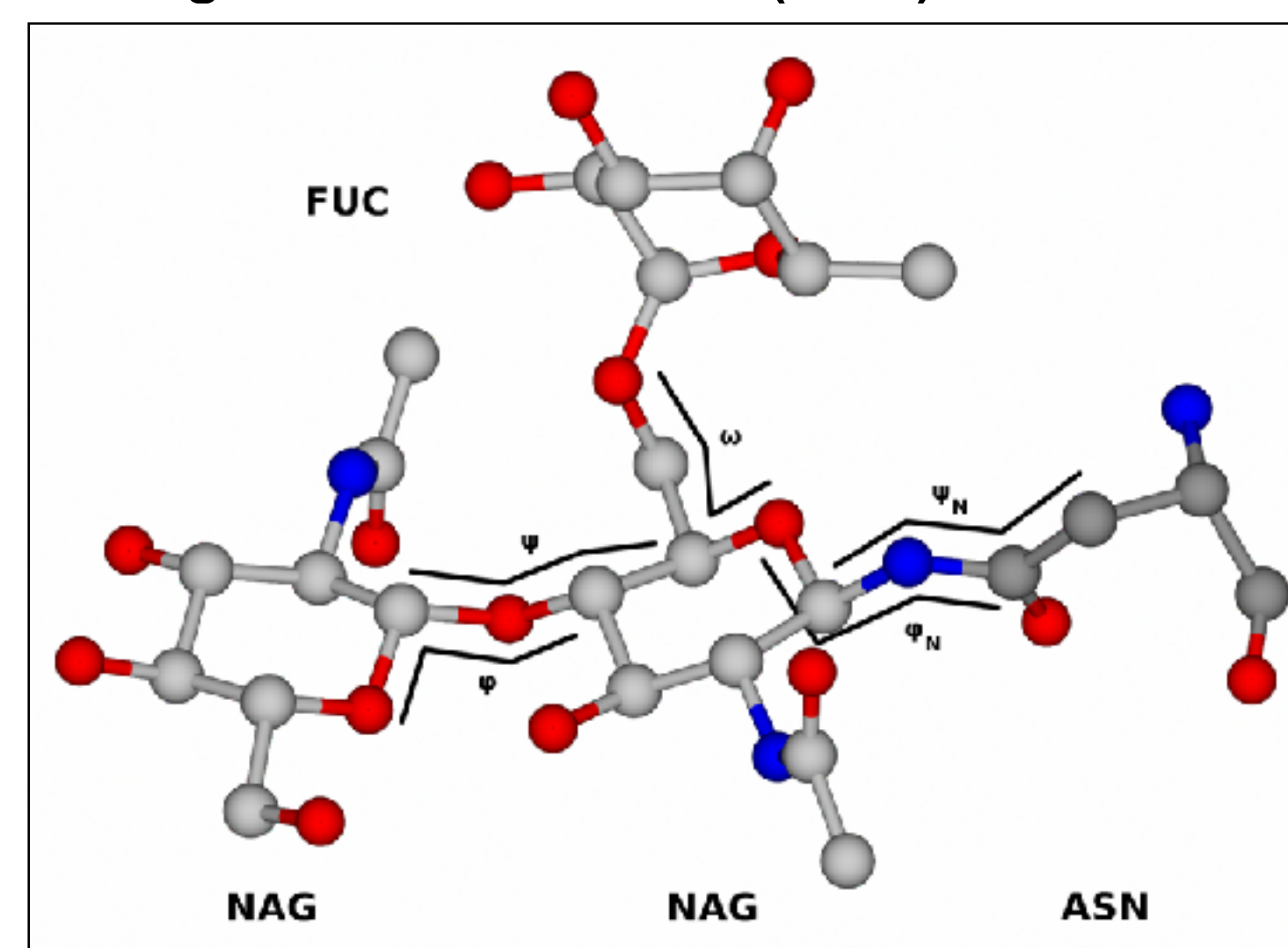
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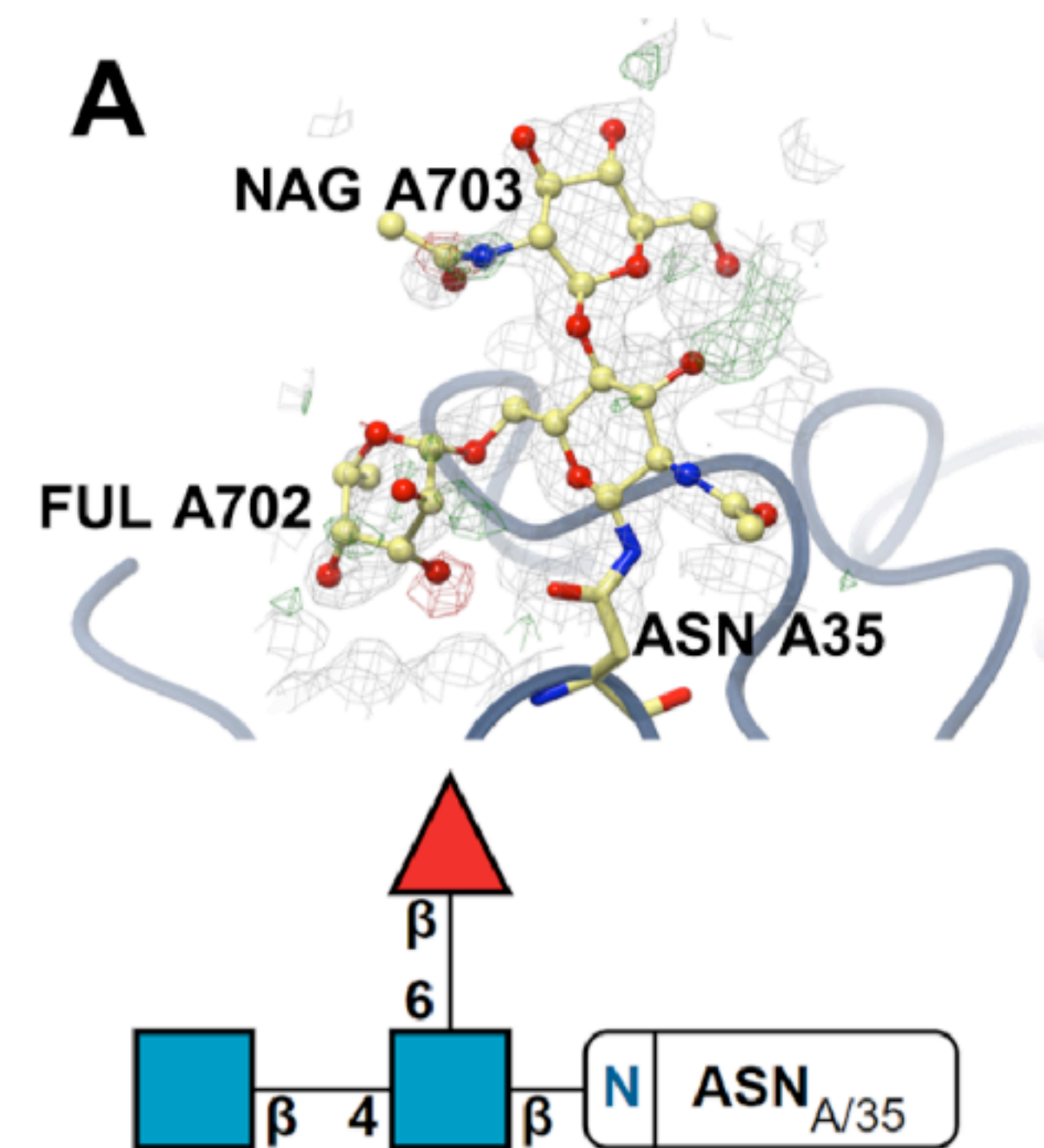
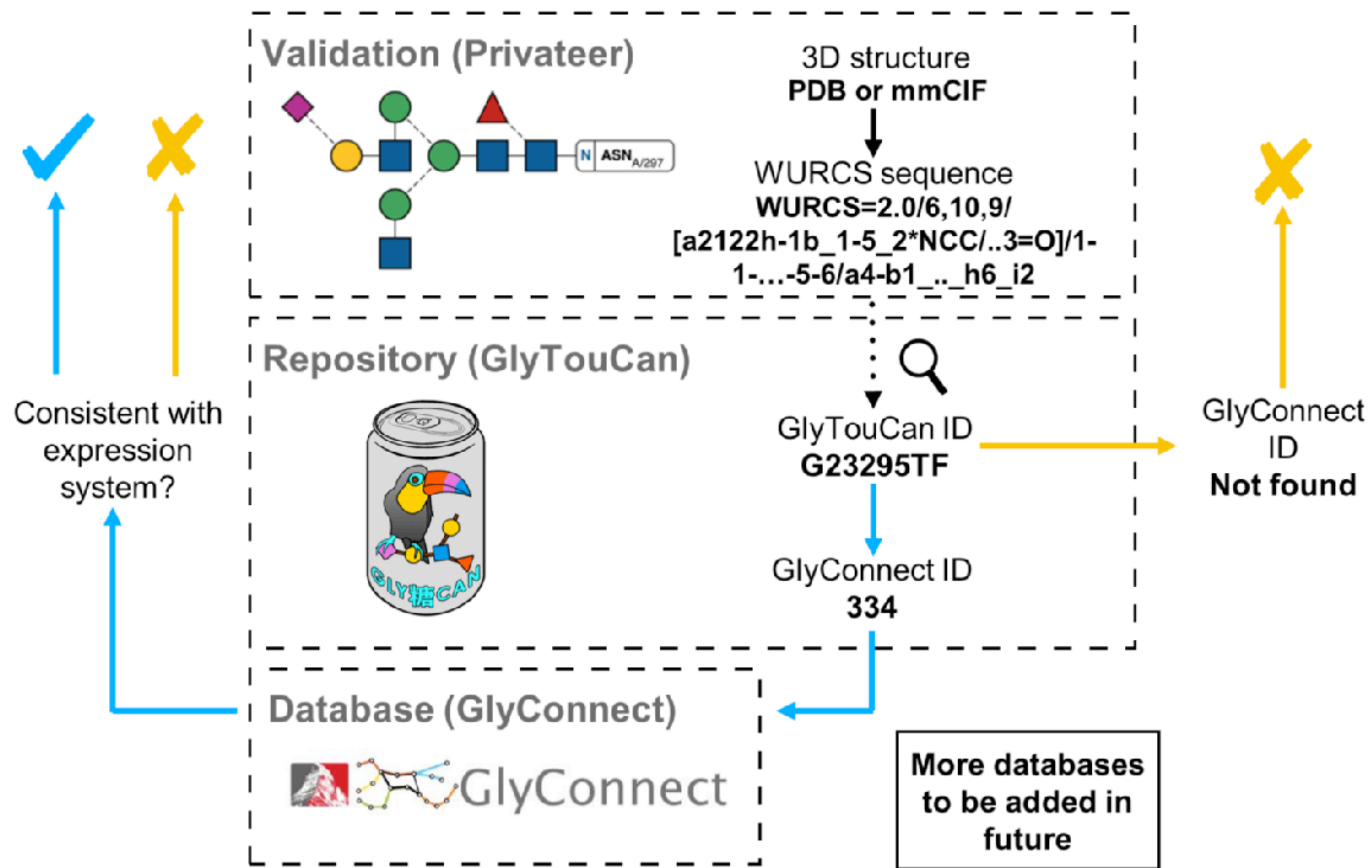
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# The Privateer software

- Has been useful in **every relevant context** where structural glycobiology has played a role: biofuels, immunology, cancer, fecundation and, of course, viral glycoproteins (HIV, Ebolavirus, Influenza, MERS, SARS-CoV-1 & 2).
- COVID-19 pandemic: used in constructs informing **mRNA vaccine design**, structures of **spike-antibody complexes** and **neutralising drugs**. Integrated in several analysis and validation pipelines.
- Released with main UK structural biology software suites: CCP4 (MKIV available in 8.0, MKV soon via update) and CCP-EM. New Python bindings (MKV) will bring fully interactive graphical interfaces for Coot and ChimeraX. A web server for *Expasy* is planned too.

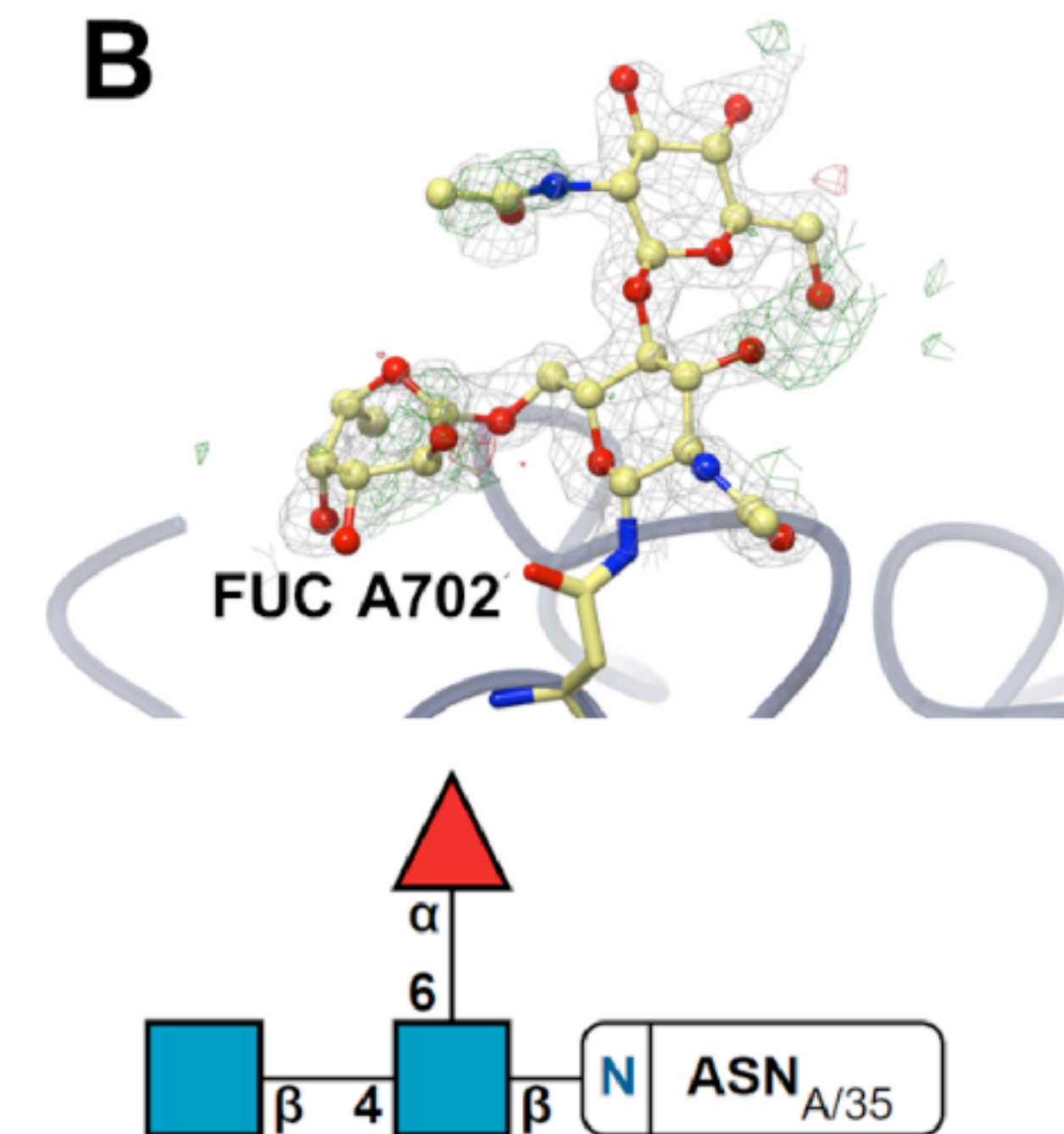
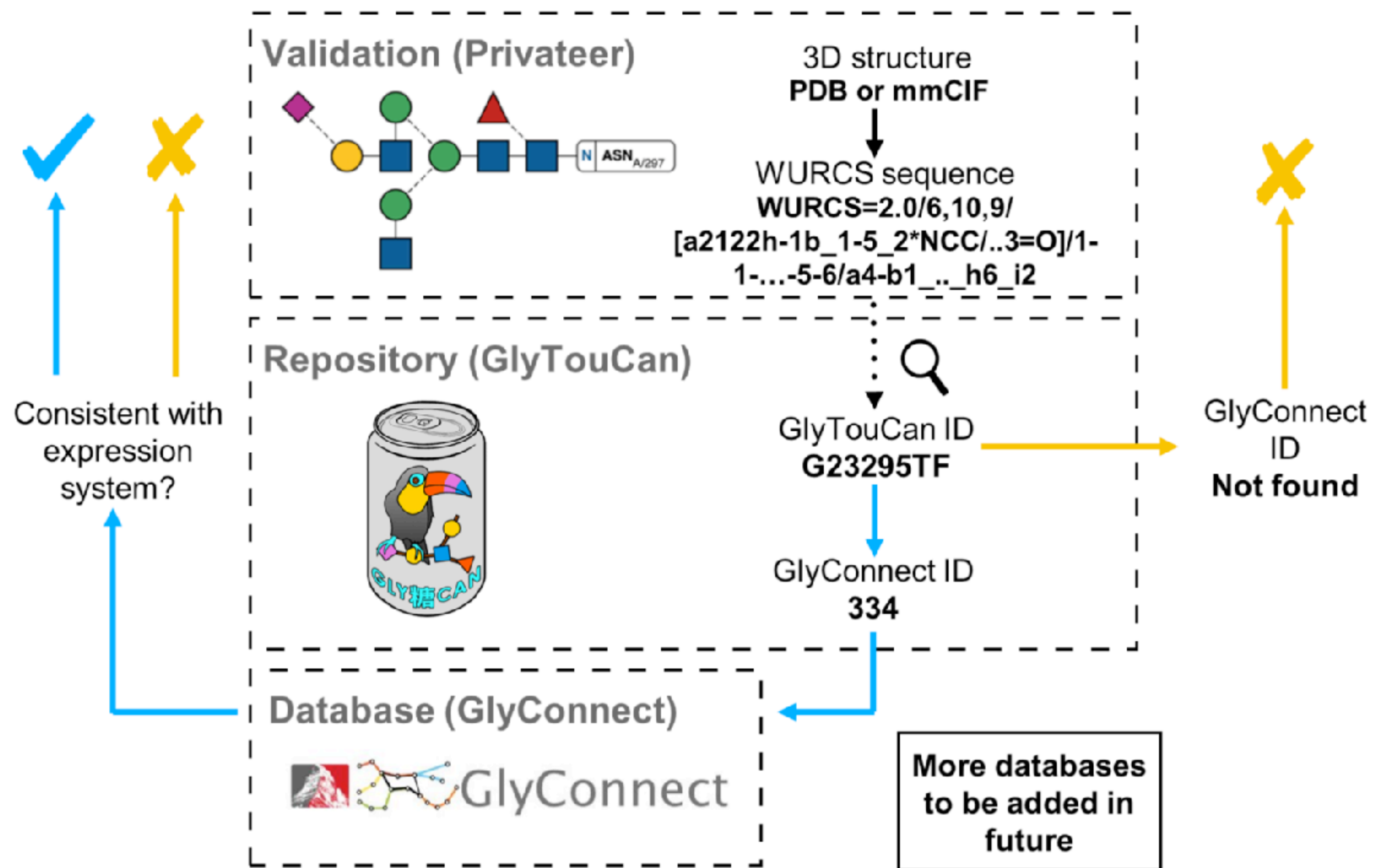
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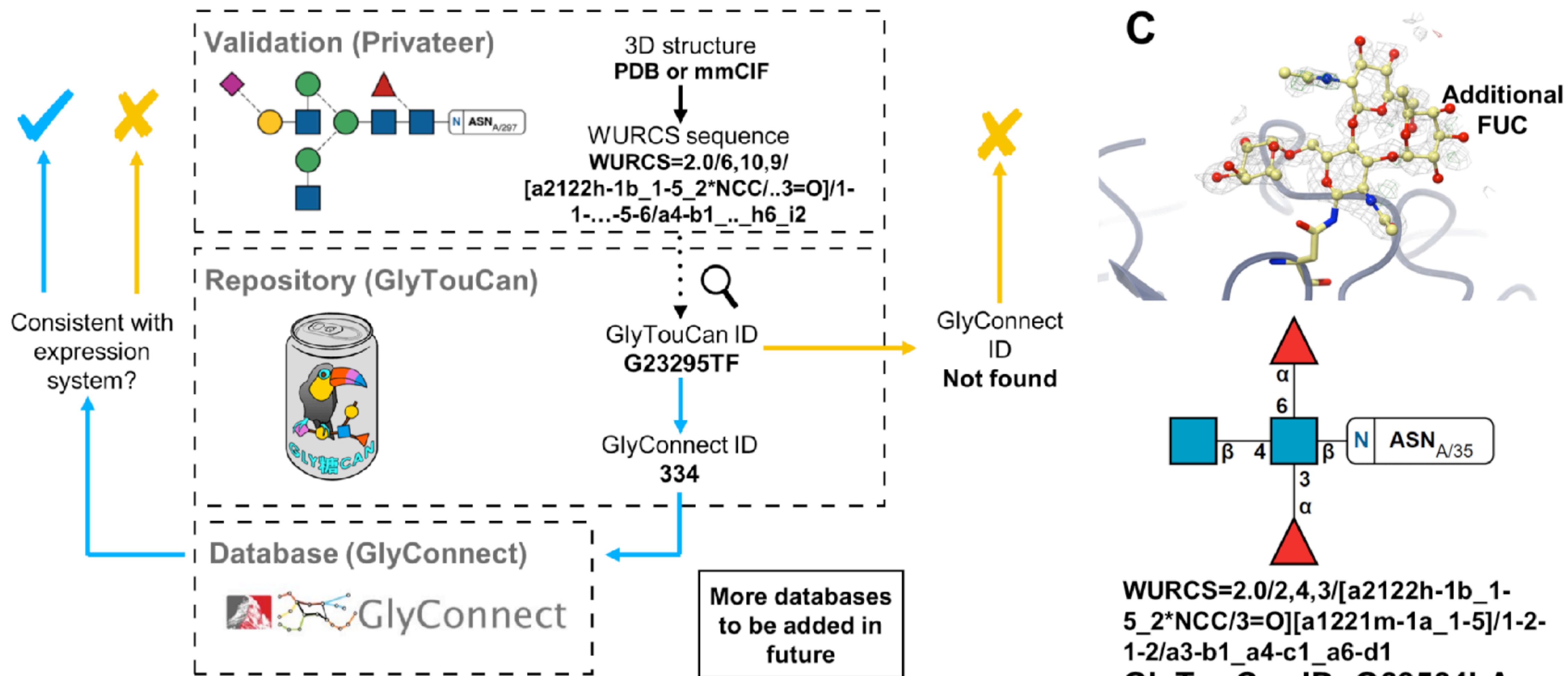
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**Job 43: Validation of carbohydrate structures - Privateer** *The job is Finished*

Input Results Comments

N- and O-glycan structure 2D descriptions Detailed monosaccharide validation data Summary for publications Biblio Run

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▼ N- and O-glycan structure 2D descriptions

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**Chain B**

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GlyConnect ID: **Not Found**

▶ Closest permutations detected on GlyConnect database

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**Job 43: Validation of carbohydrate structures - Privateer** *The job is Finished*

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▼ N- and O-glycan structure 2D descriptions

Below are graphical plots of the detected glycan trees. Placing your mouse pointer over any of the sugars will display a tooltip containing its residue name and number from the PDB file.

**Chain B**

WURCS=2.0/5,10,9/[a2122h-1b\_1-5\_2\*NCC/3=O][a1122h-1b\_1-5][a1122h-1a\_1-5][a2112h-1b\_1-5][Aad21122h-2a\_2-6\_5\*NCC/3=O]/1-1-2-3-1-4-5-3-1-4/a4-b1\_b4-c1\_c3-d1\_c6-h1\_d4-e1\_e4-f1\_f6-g2\_h4-i1\_i4-j1

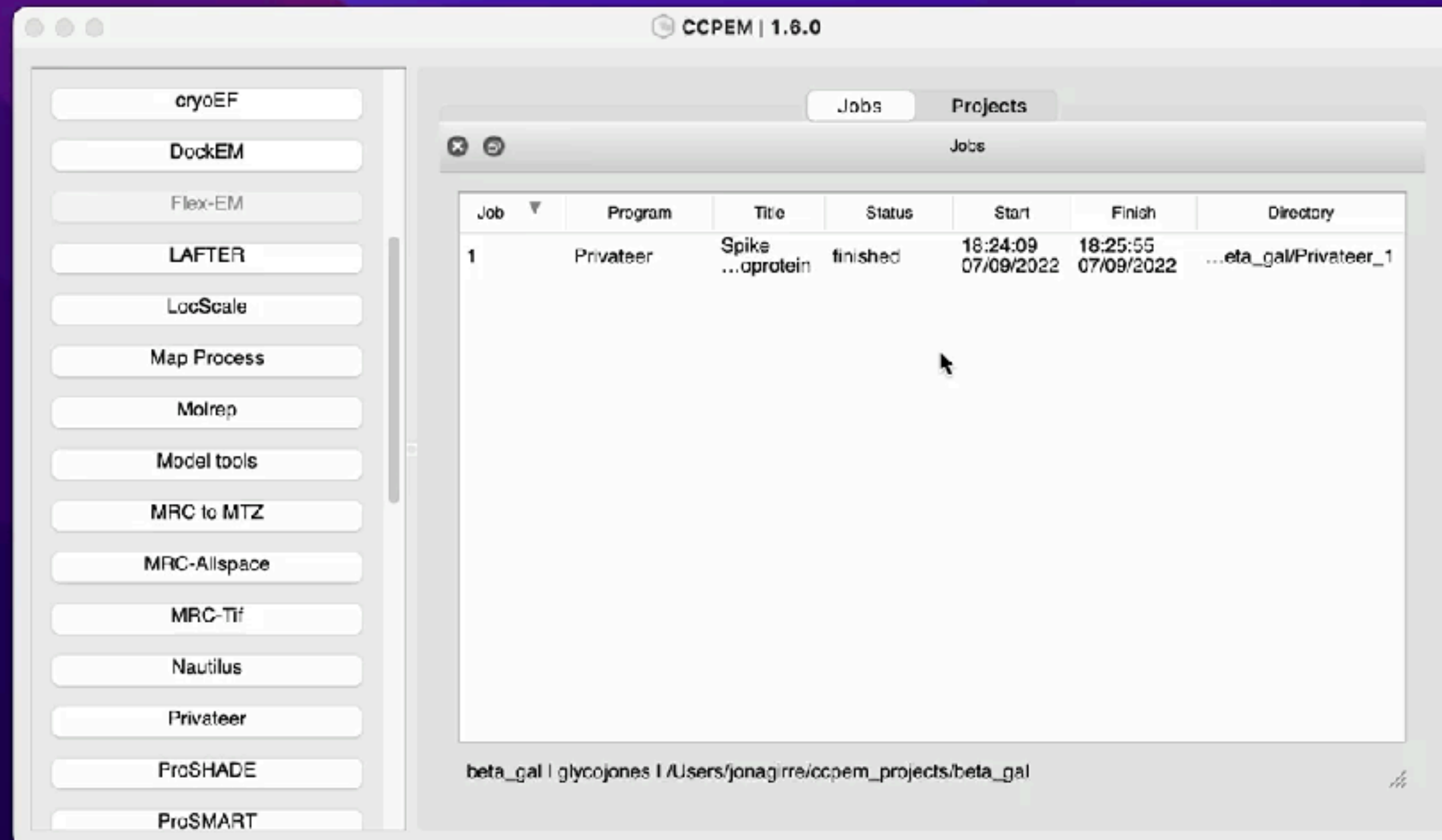
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▶ Closest permutations detected on GlyConnect database

COOT REFMAC5

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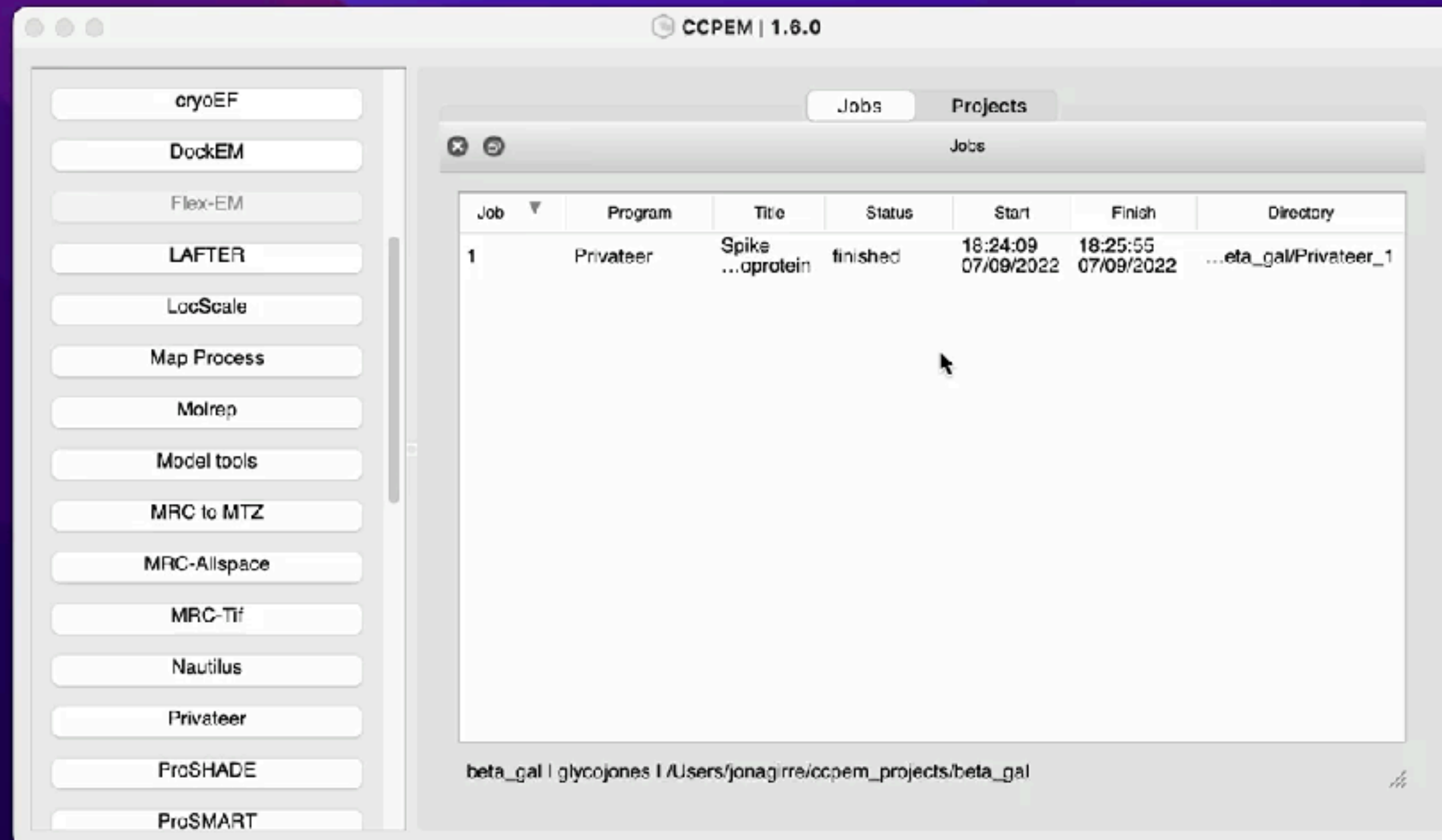


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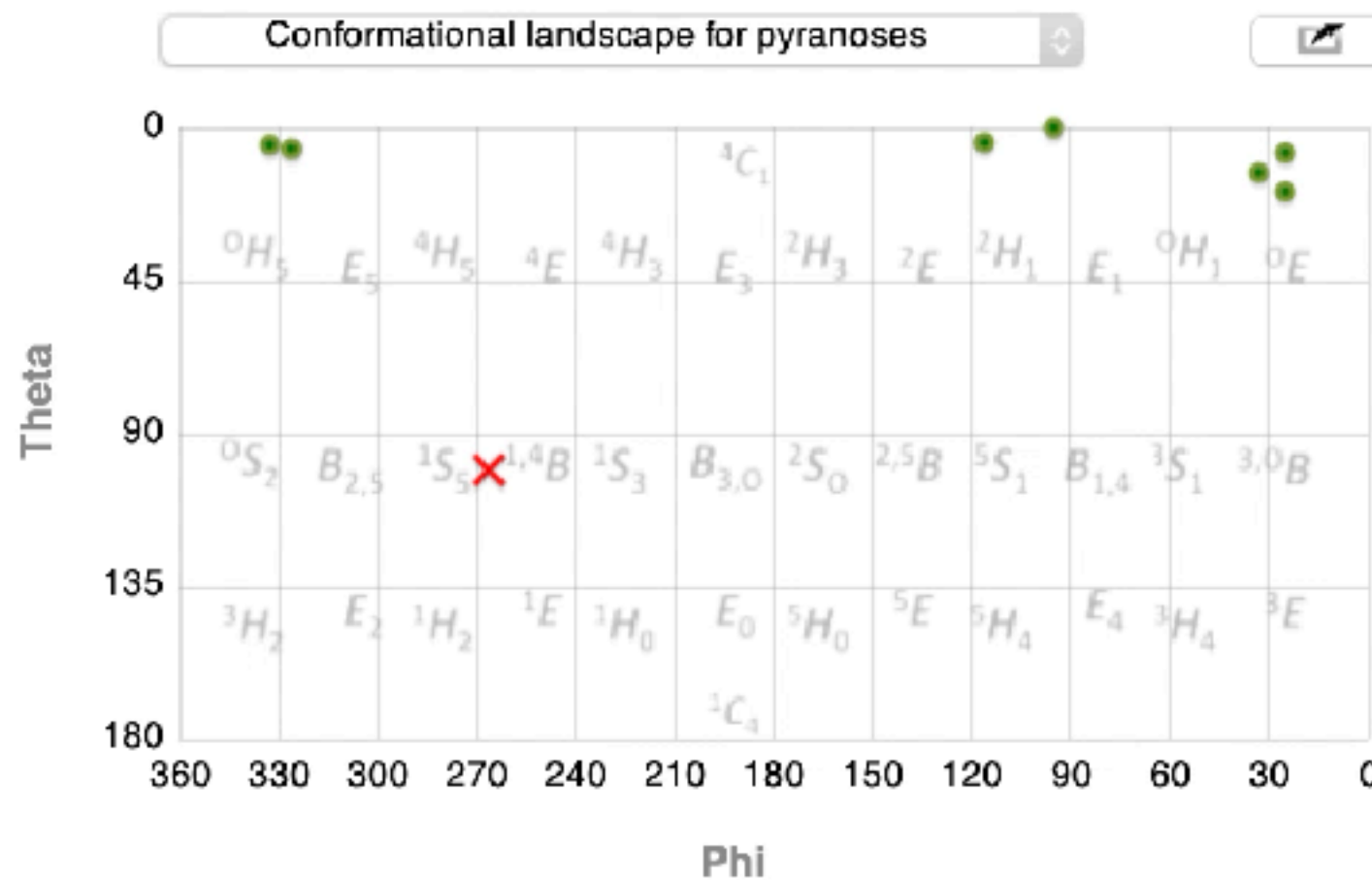
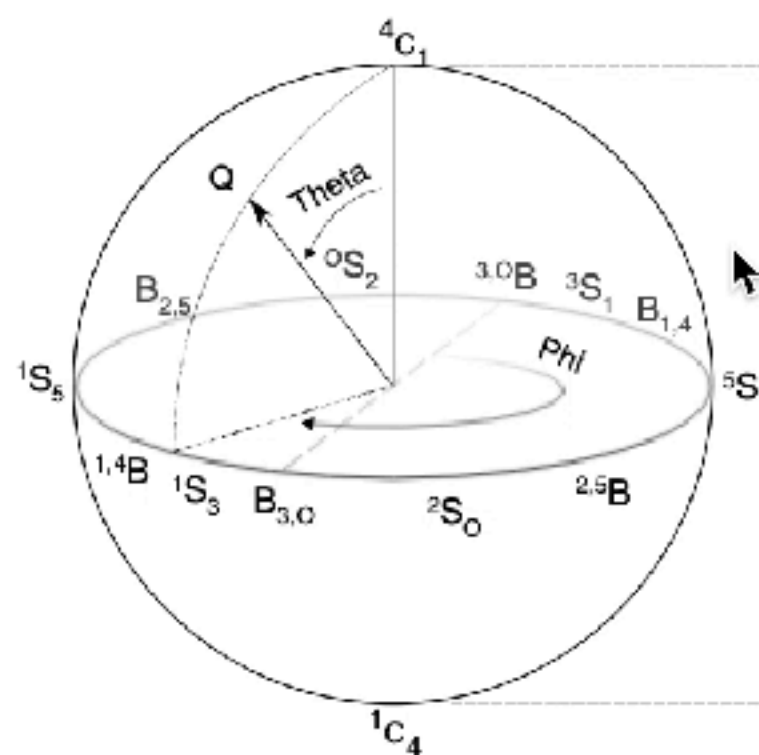
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- 2 Privateer**
- 1 Import merged

**Job 2: Validation of carbohydrate structures - Privateer** The job is Finished

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**Results**

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► N- and O-glycan structure 2D descriptions

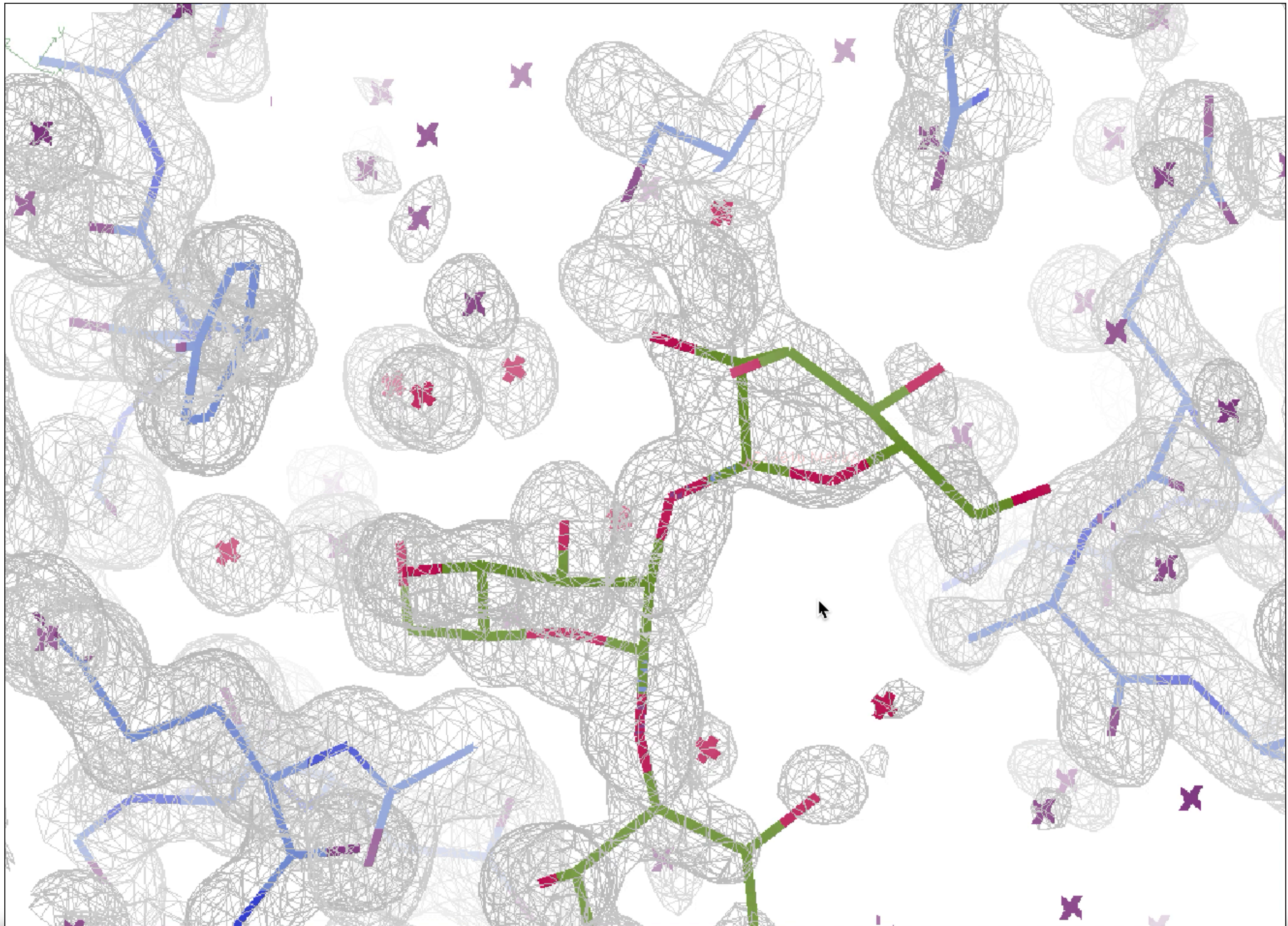
▼ Detailed monosaccharide validation data

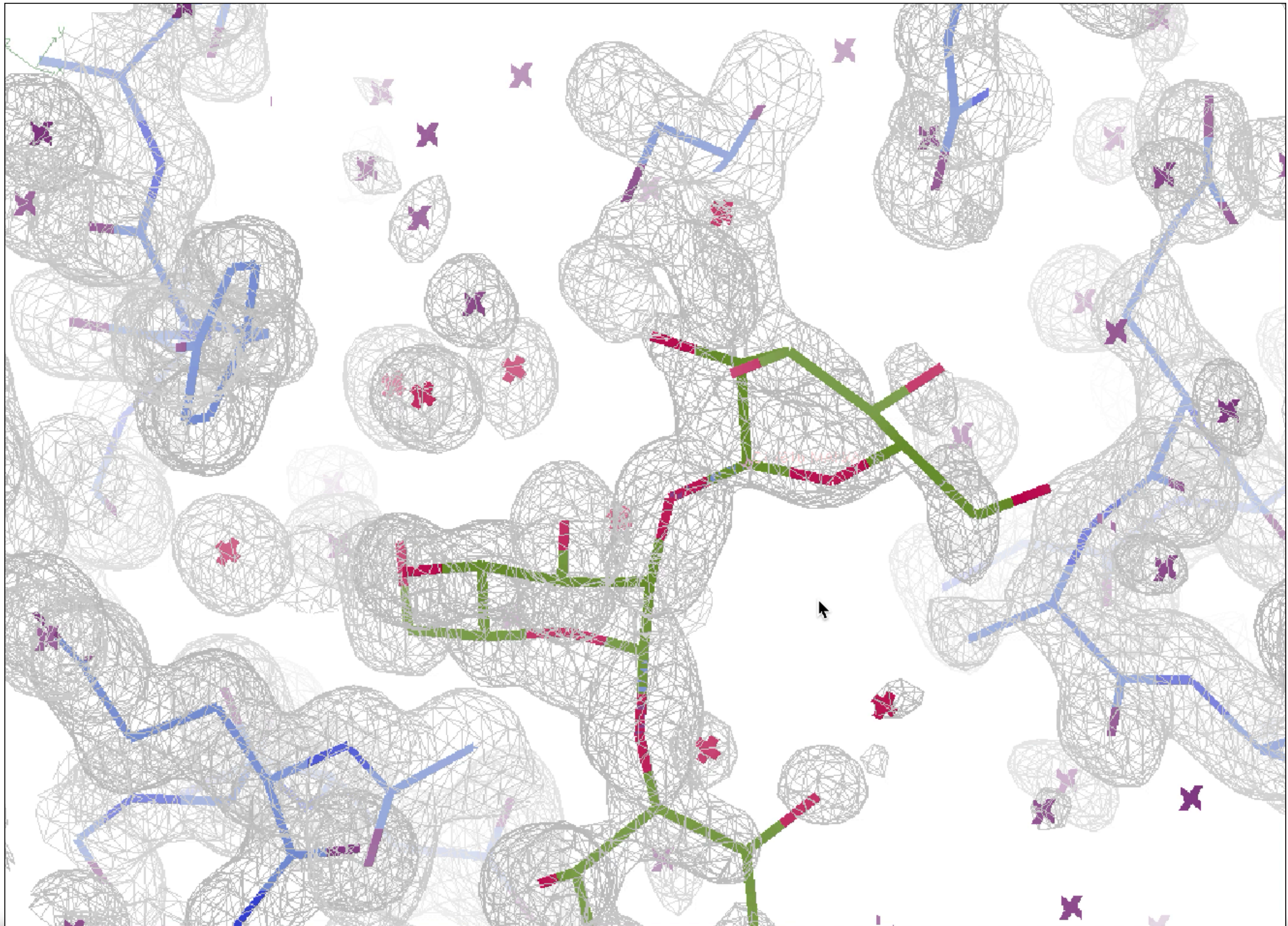
Validation results for pyranose sugars:

Chain	Name	Q <sup>1</sup>	Phi	Theta	Anomer	D/L <sup>2</sup>	Conformation	RSCC <sup>3</sup>	<Bfactor>	Diagnostic
A	NAG	0.554	118.329	4.41419	beta	D	<sup>4</sup> C <sub>1</sub>	0.92	14.4	Ok
A	NAG	0.550	33.2673	13.2611	beta	D	<sup>4</sup> C <sub>1</sub>	0.91	15.3079	Ok

COOT

REFMAC5





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**Job 5: Validation of carbohydrate structures - Privateer**   The job is Finished

Input   Results   Comments

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10:37 28-Feb-2019

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Conformational landscape for pyranoses

2D plot of Theta vs Phi for pyranose conformations. The x-axis is Phi (0 to 360) and the y-axis is Theta (0 to 180). Green dots represent the observed conformations. The plot is divided into regions labeled with conformations:  $^4C_1$ ,  $^1S_5$ ,  $^3S_1$ ,  $^3_0B$ ,  $^5S_1$ ,  $B_{1,4}$ ,  $^3S_1$ ,  $^3_0B$ ,  $^1S_5$ ,  $B_{2,5}$ ,  $^1S_5$ ,  $^1,4B$ ,  $^1S_3$ ,  $B_{3,0}$ ,  $^2S_0$ ,  $^2_5B$ ,  $^5S_1$ ,  $B_{1,4}$ ,  $^3S_1$ ,  $^3_0B$ ,  $^3H_2$ ,  $E_2$ ,  $^1H_2$ ,  $^1E$ ,  $^1H_0$ ,  $E_0$ ,  $^5H_0$ ,  $^5E$ ,  $^5H_4$ ,  $E_4$ ,  $^3H_4$ ,  $^3E$ ,  $^1C_4$ .

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COOT   REFMAC5

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**Job 5: Validation of carbohydrate structures - Privateer**   The job is Finished

Input   Results   Comments

N- and O-glycan structure 2D descriptions   Detailed monosaccharide validation data   Summary for publications   Biblio   Run

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► N- and O-glycan structure 2D descriptions

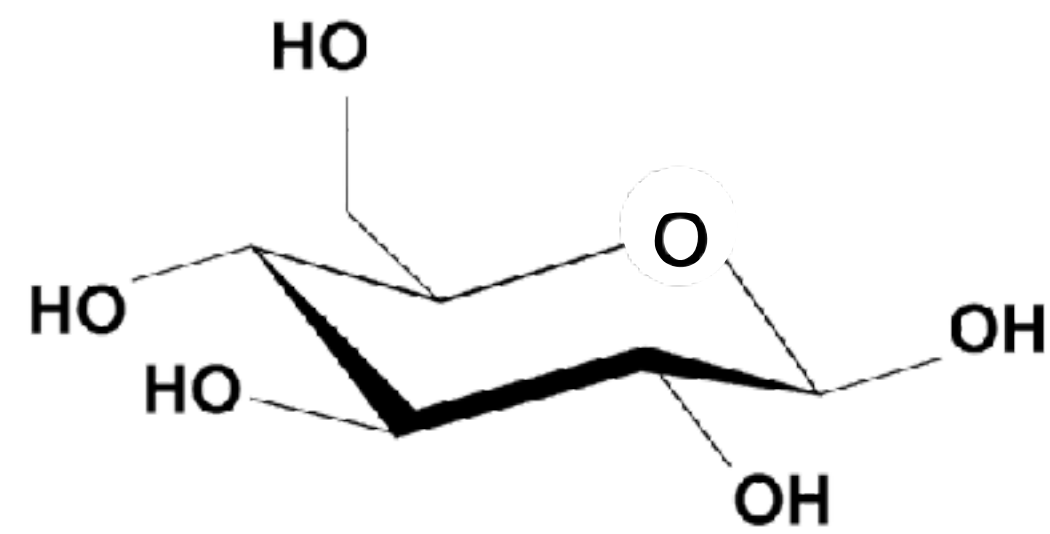
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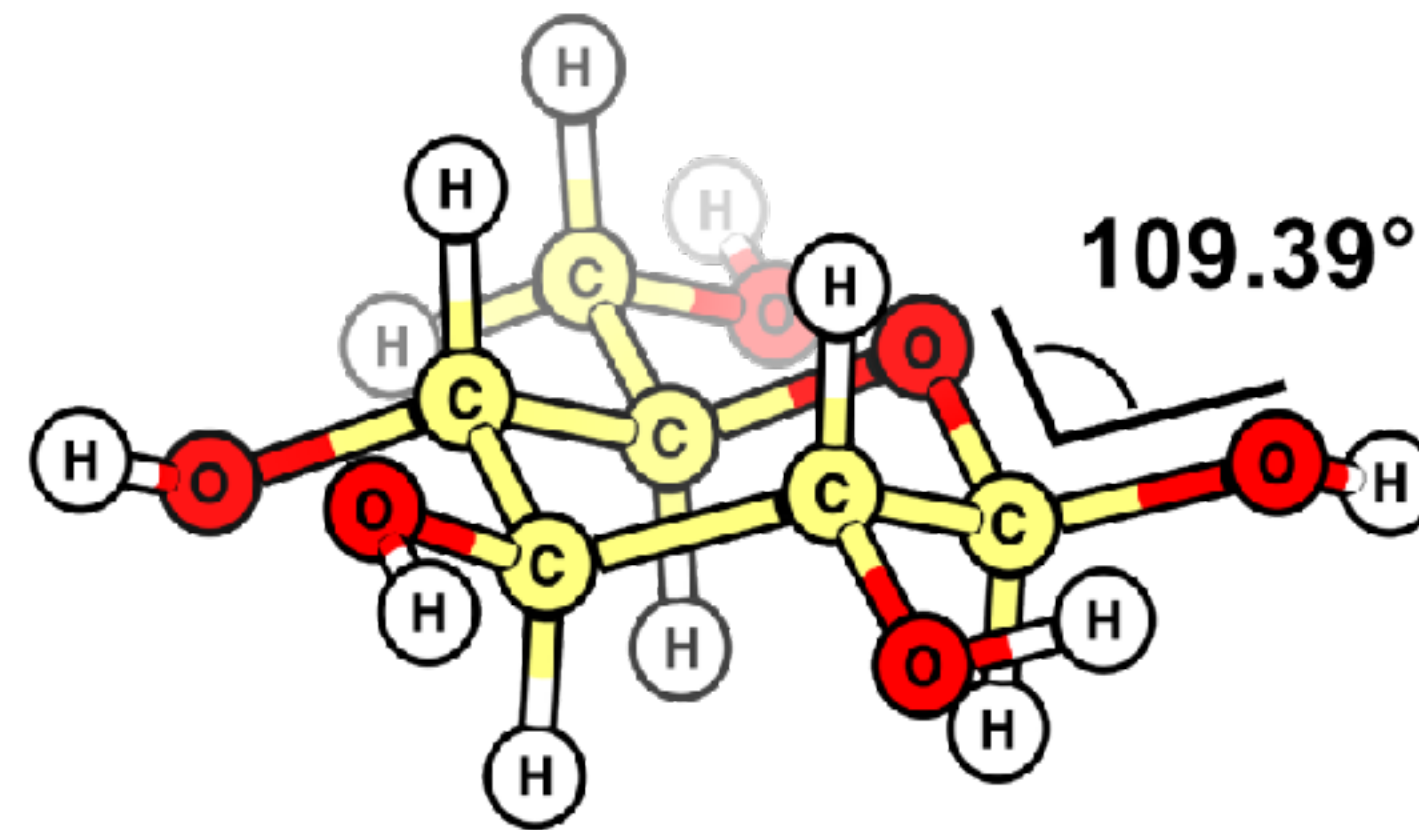
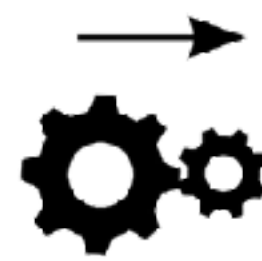
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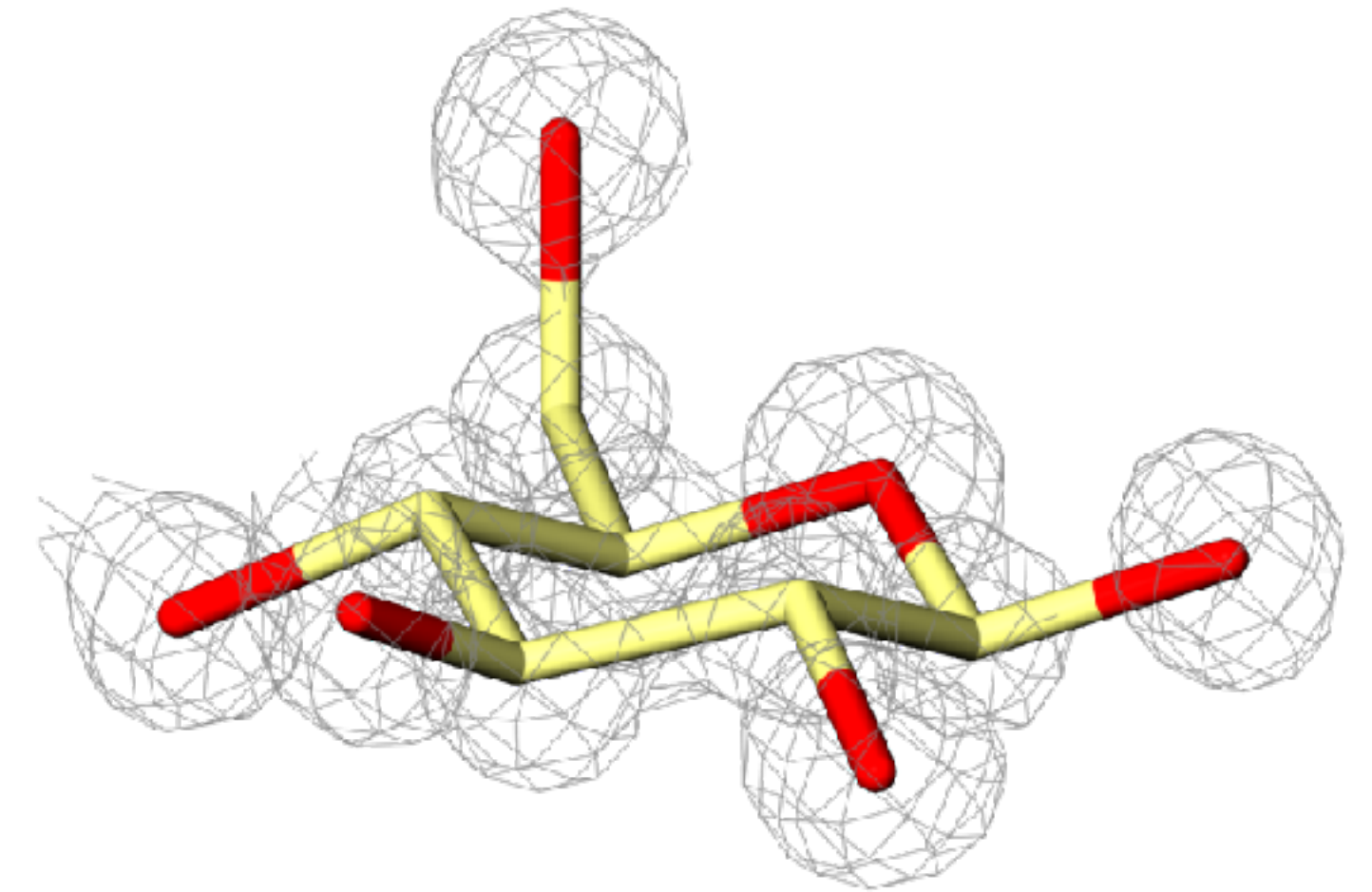
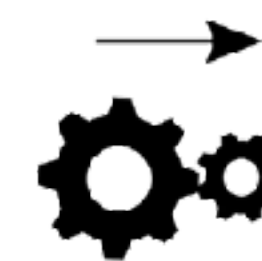
# New carbohydrate dictionaries



chemical description

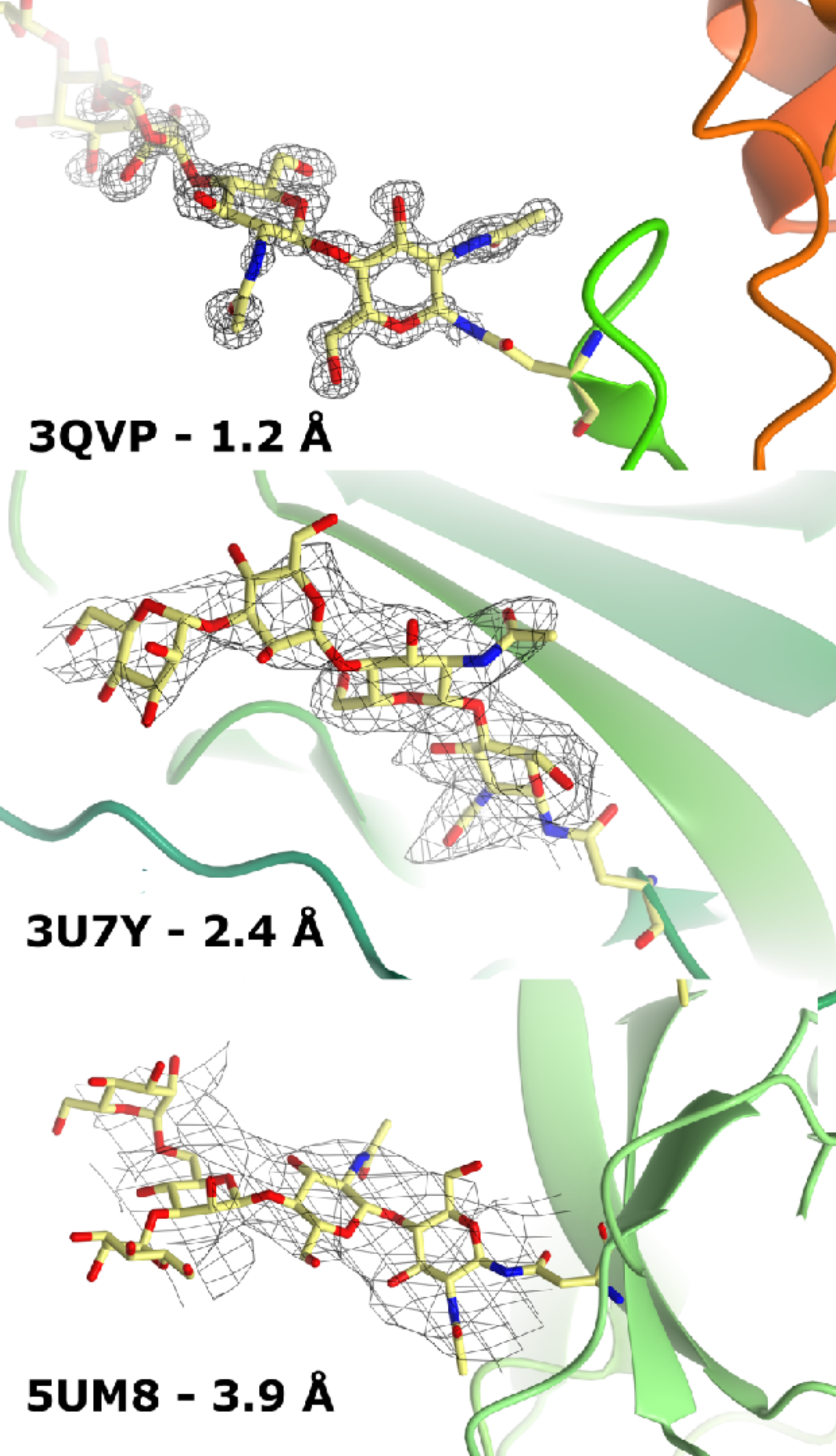


restraints & coordinates



fitted model

# New carbohydrate dictionaries



# New carbohydrate dictionaries

All this information to restrain one GlcNAc

Compound definition, with **3-letter code**, **full name**, **type** and number of atoms, **all** and **non-hydrogen**

```
NAG      NAG  'N-ACETYL-D-GLUCOSAMINE'      pyranose      30  15  .
```

Atom by atom definition of the conformer, with **name**, symbol, charge and **cartesian coordinates**

```
NAG      O1      O      OH1      0.000      1.203      0.420      0.648
```

A bond between a **pair of atoms**, **cardinality**, **expected distance** and **standard deviation**

```
NAG      O1      C1      single      1.432      0.020
```

An angle between **three atoms**, with **expected value** and **standard deviation**

```
NAG      O1      C1      C2      109.470      3.000
```

A **torsion angle** between **four atoms**, with **expected value**, **standard deviation** and **periodicity**

```
NAG      var_7      C5      C4      C3      C2      60.000      20.000      3
```

A **chiral volume**, defined by **four atoms** in a tetrahedral arrangement, and a **sign defining orientation**

```
NAG      chir_01      C1      C2      O1      O5      positiv
```

A **series of atoms** taking part of a **planar arrangement**, plus **standard deviation**

```
NAG      plan-2      N2      0.020
```

```
NAG      plan-2      C2      0.020
```

```
NAG      plan-2      C7      0.020
```

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NAG      plan-2      HN2     0.020
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3QVP - 1.2 Å

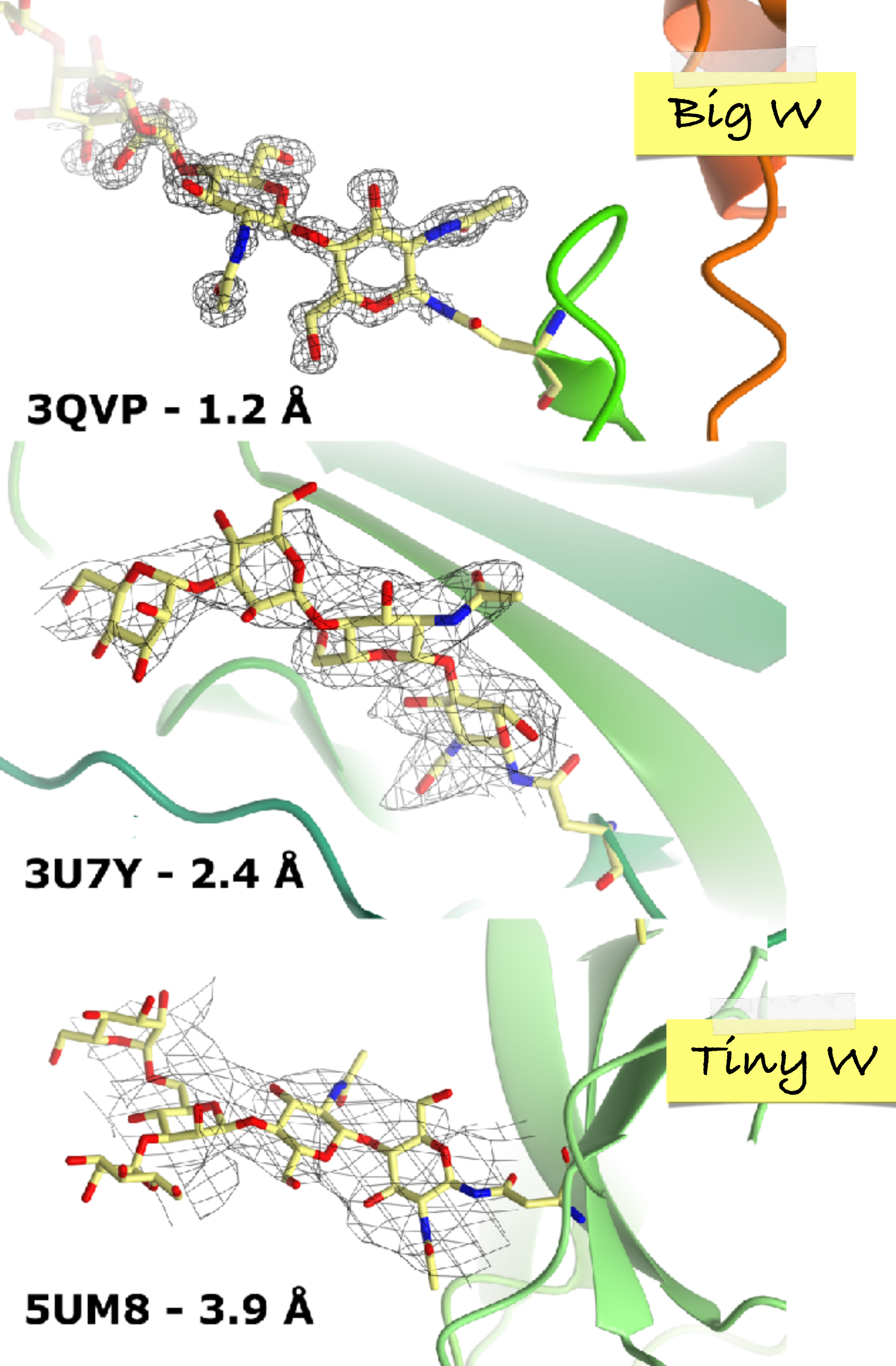
3U7Y - 2.4 Å

5UM8 - 3.9 Å

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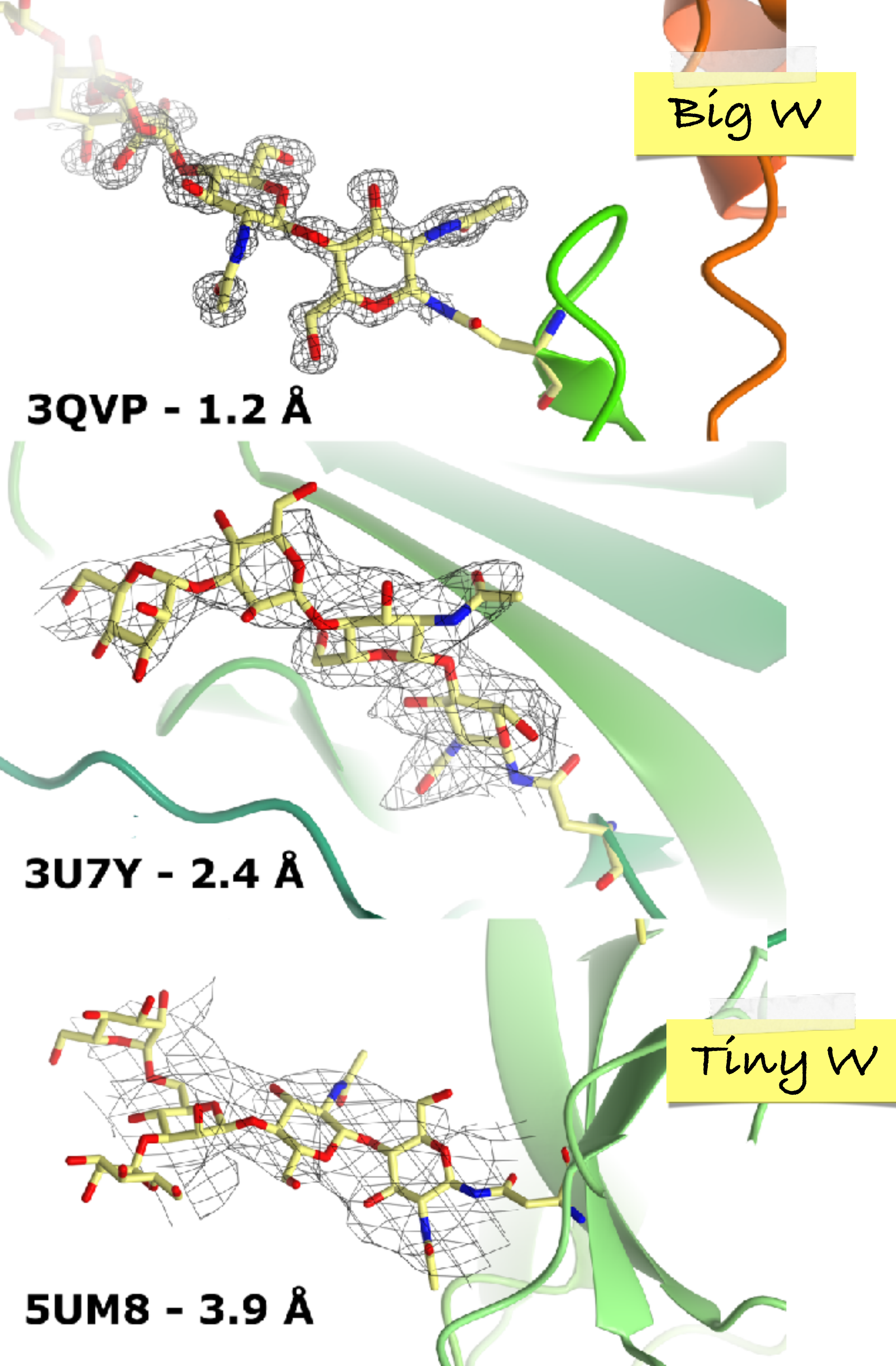


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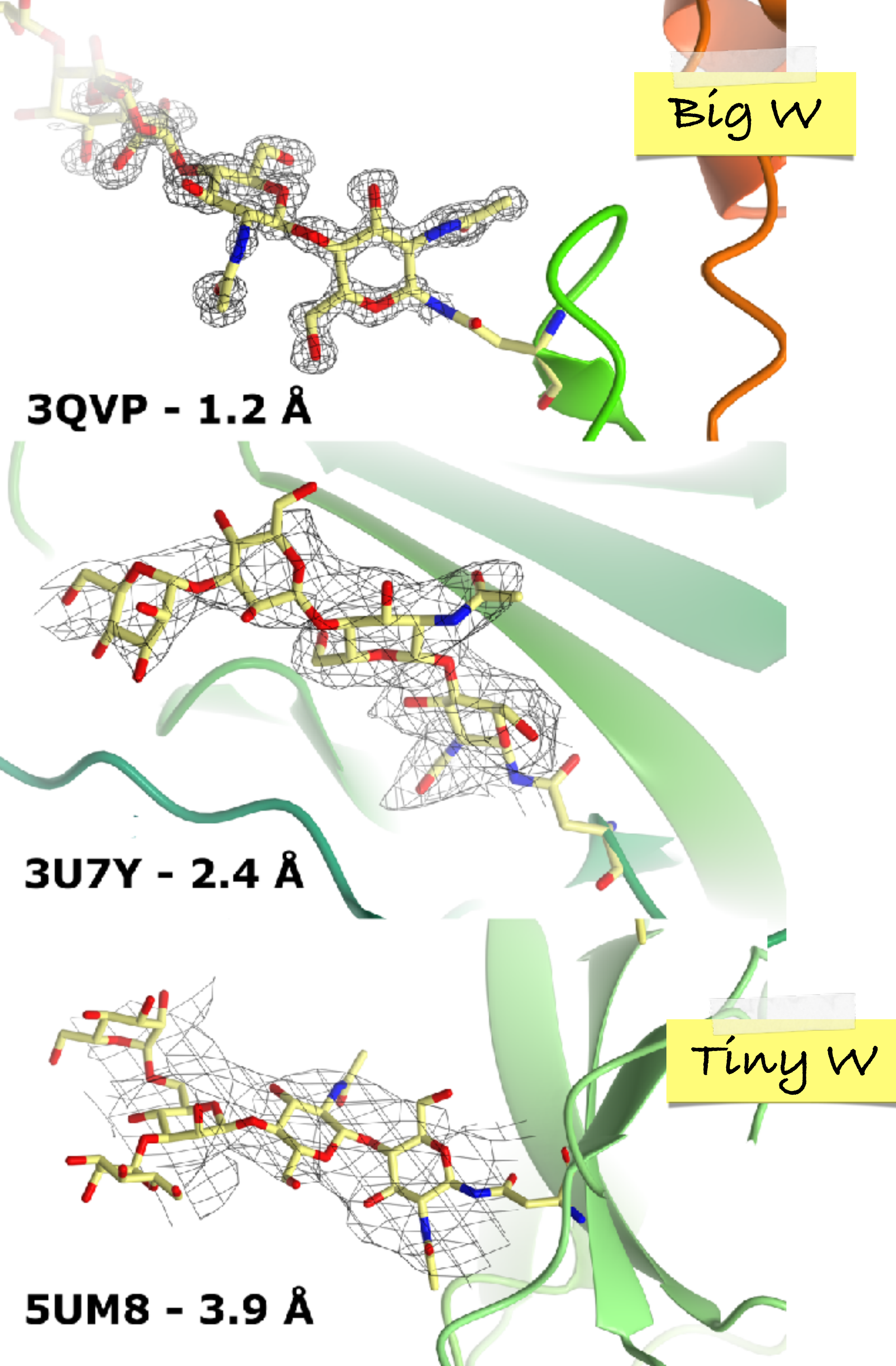
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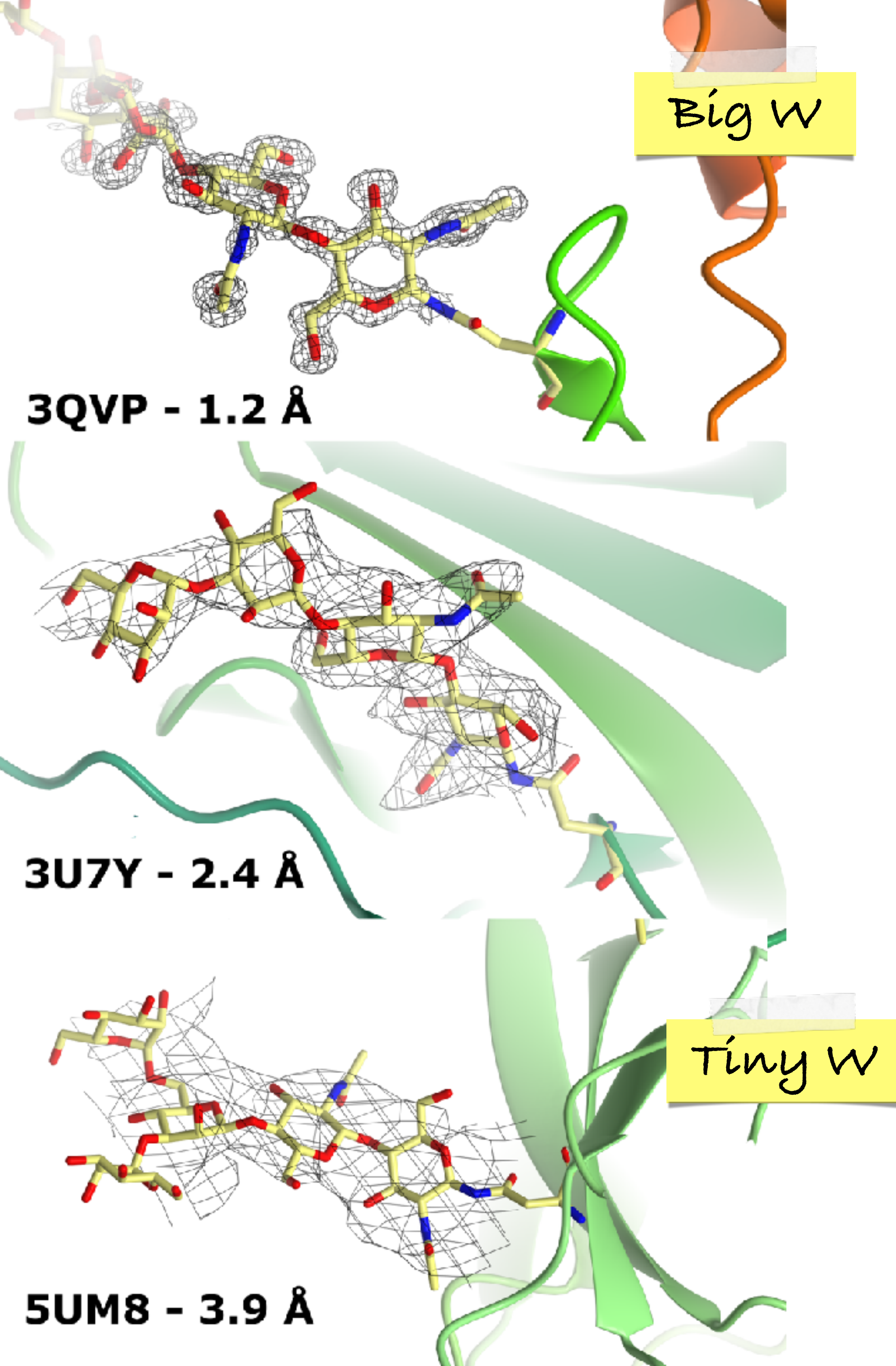
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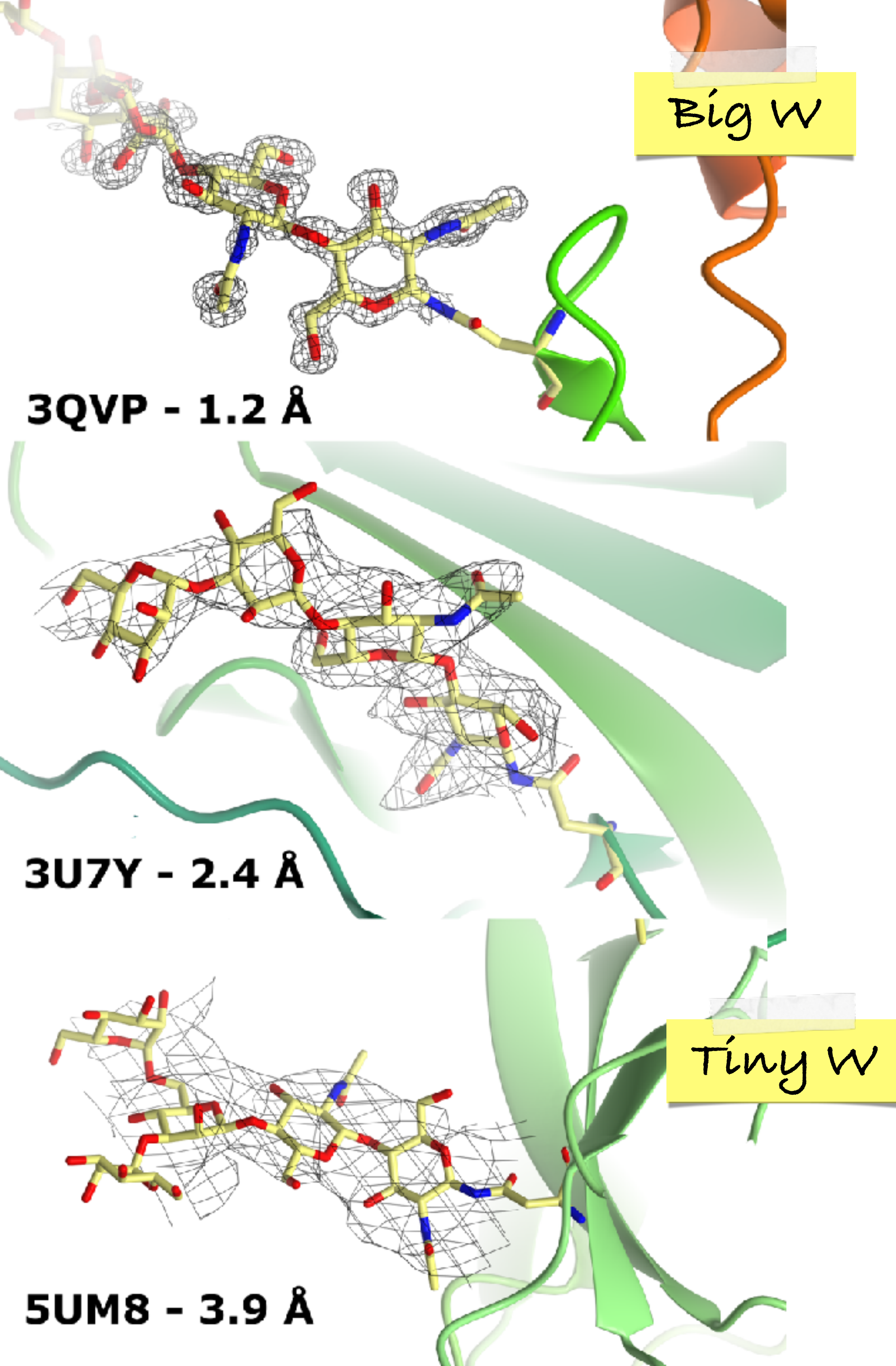
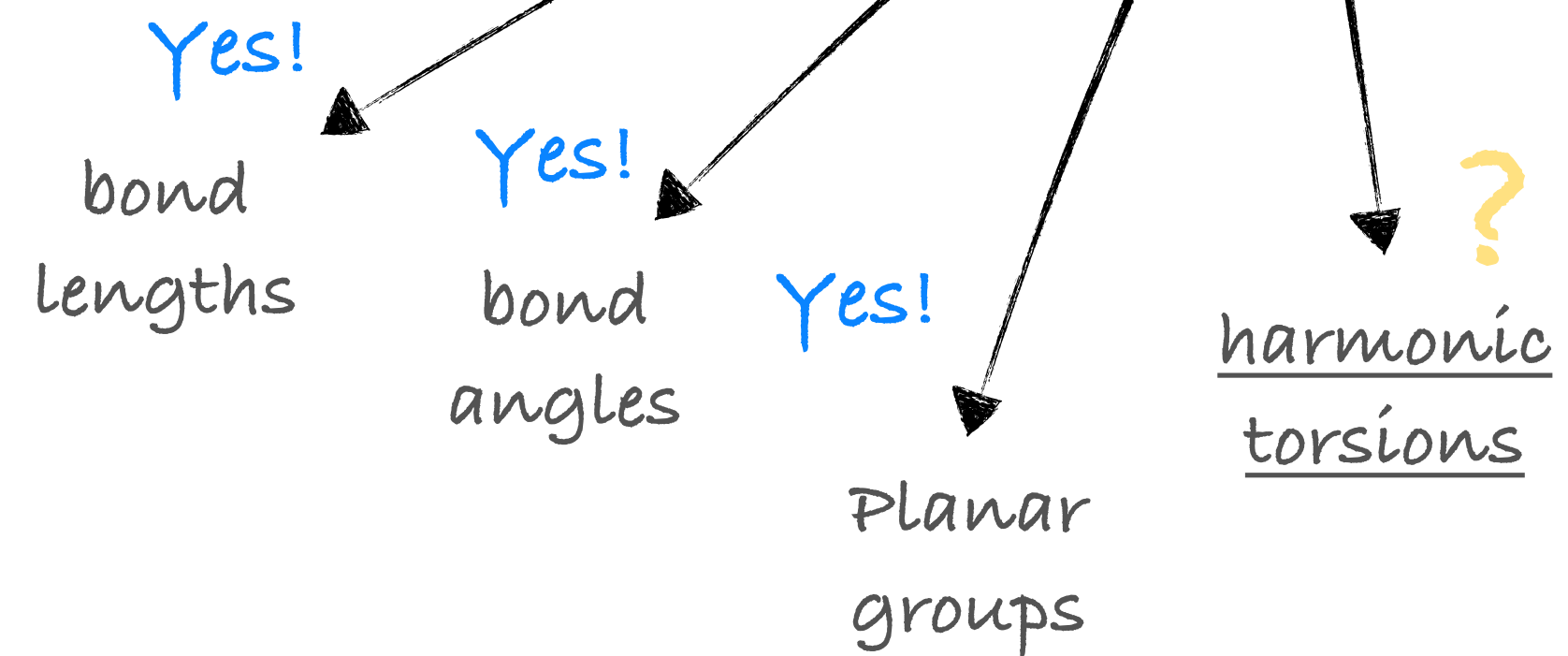
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Planar groups



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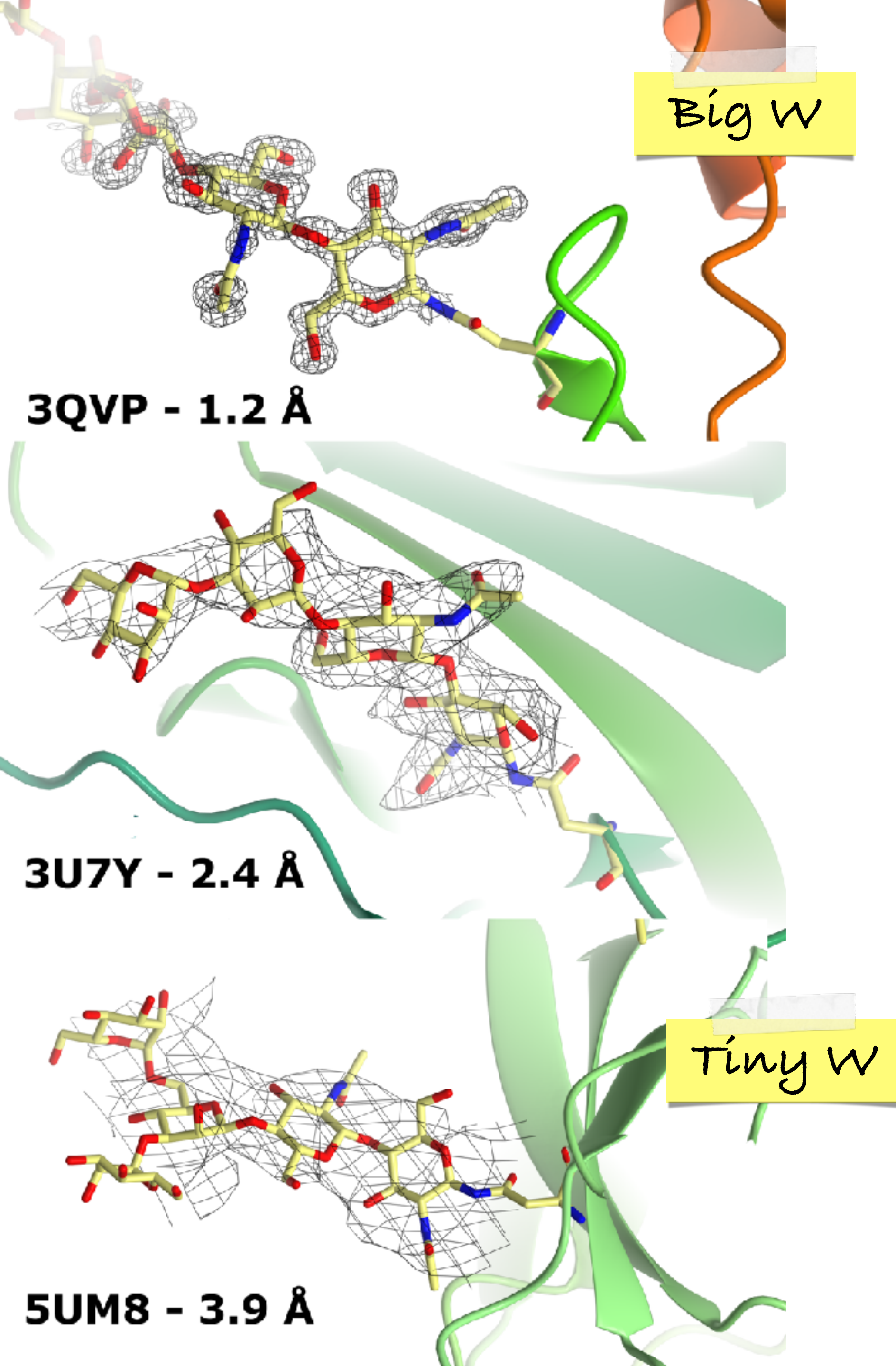
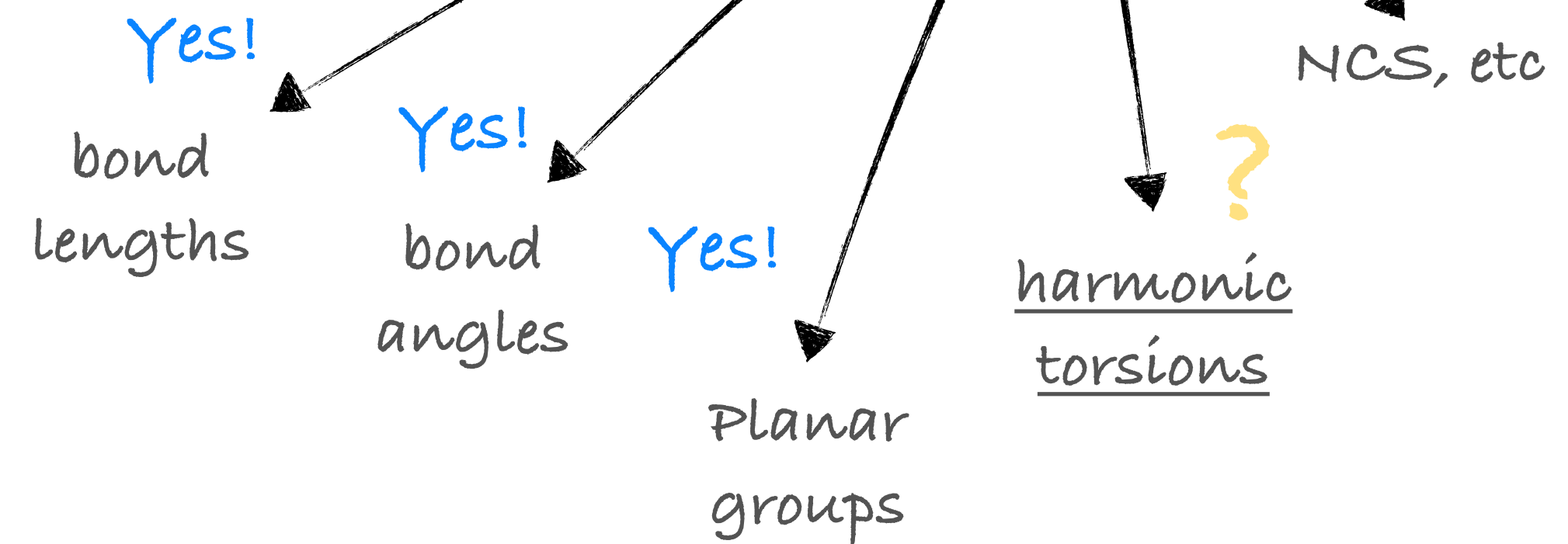
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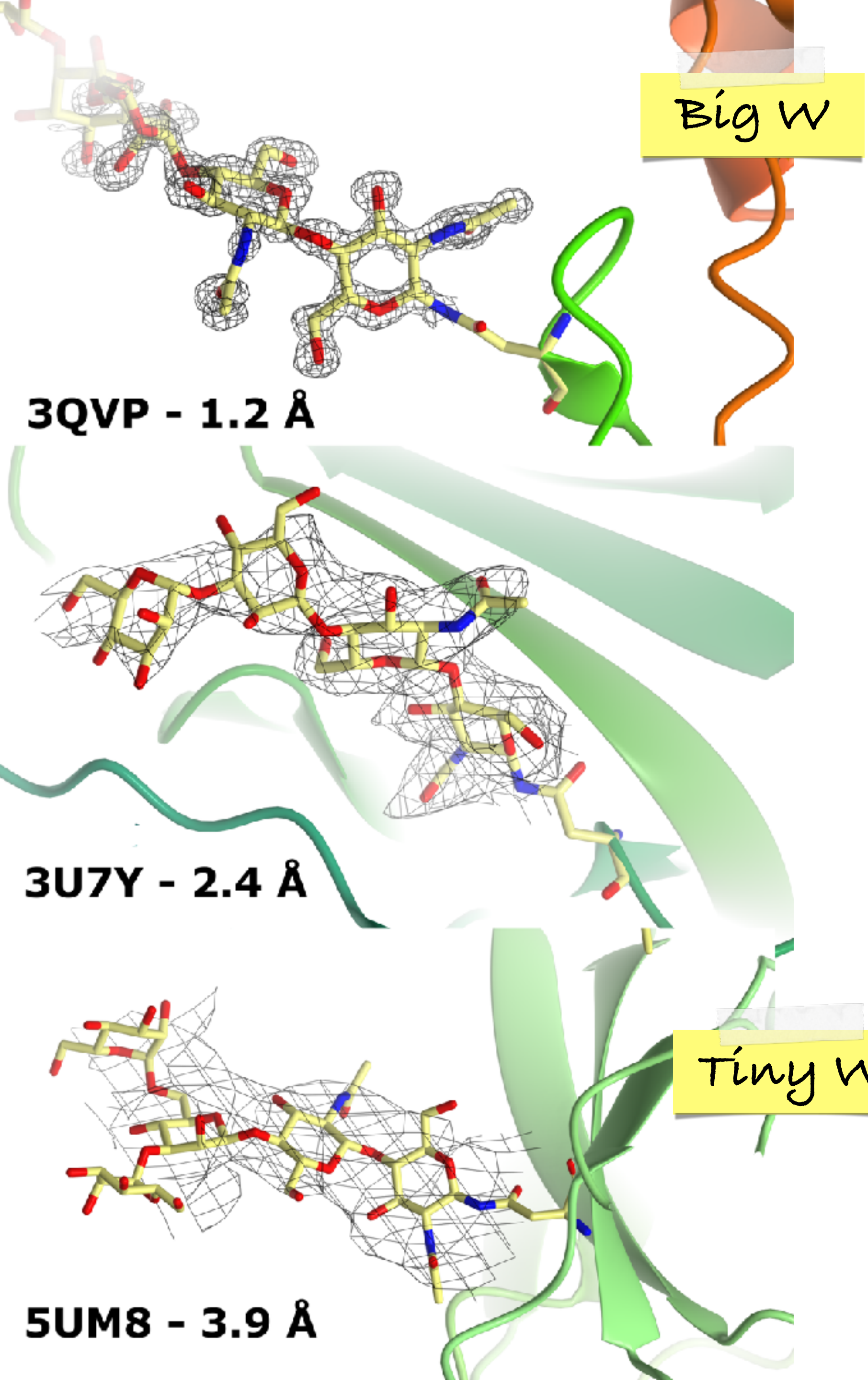


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$$L(p) = WLX(p) + LG(p)$$

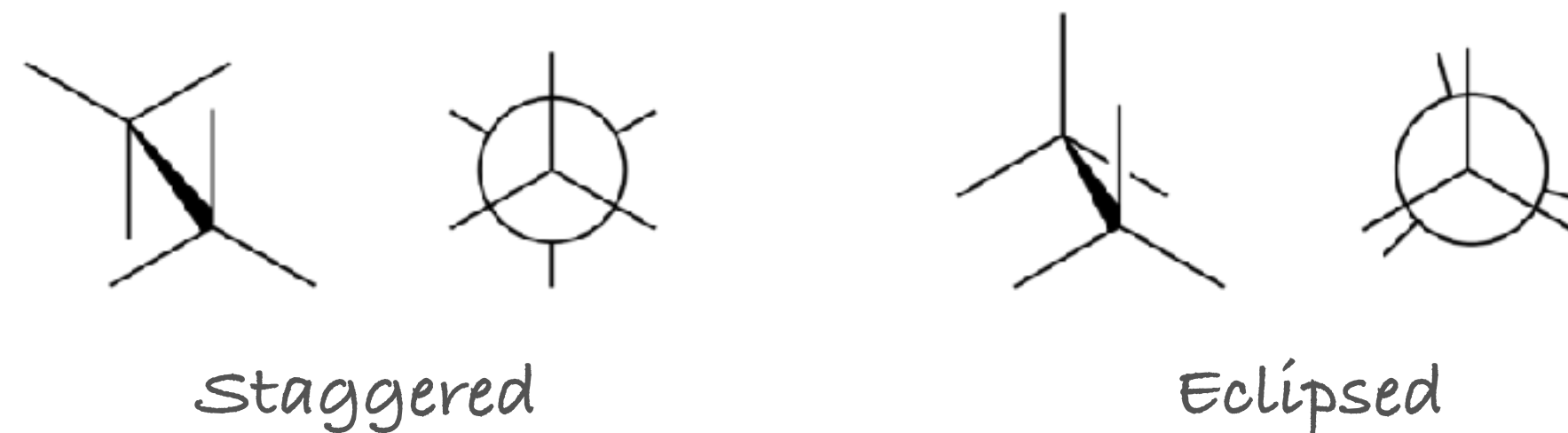
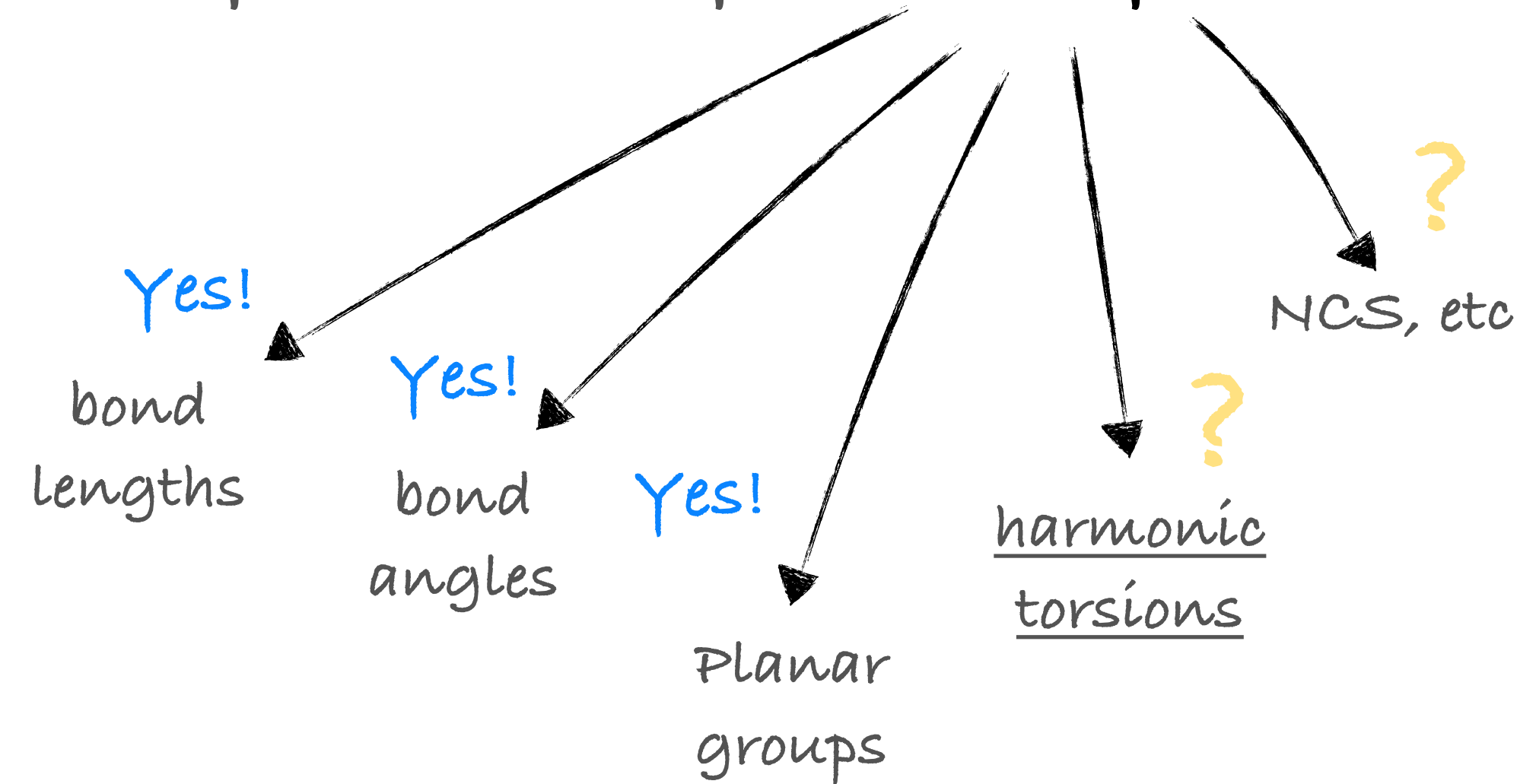


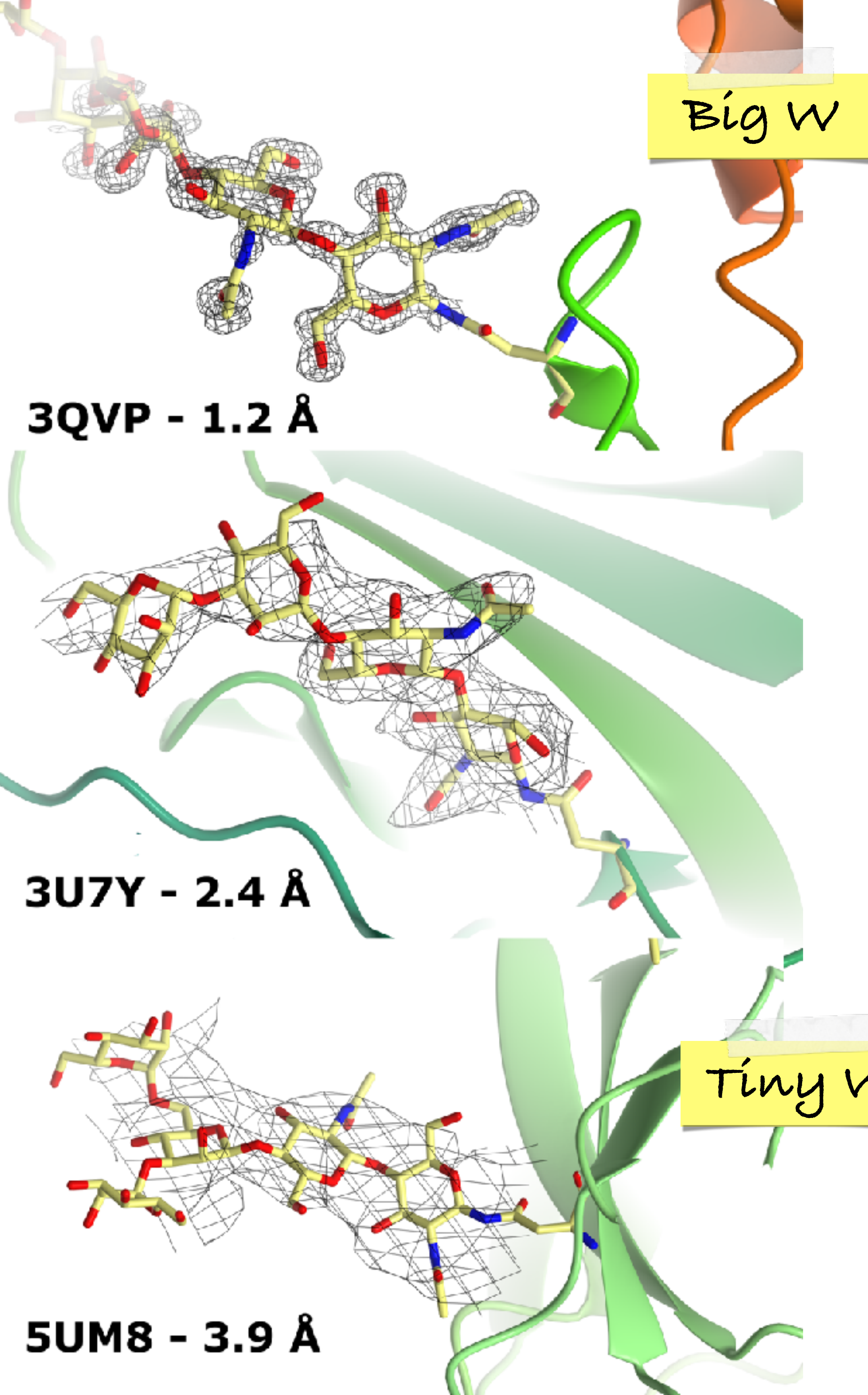


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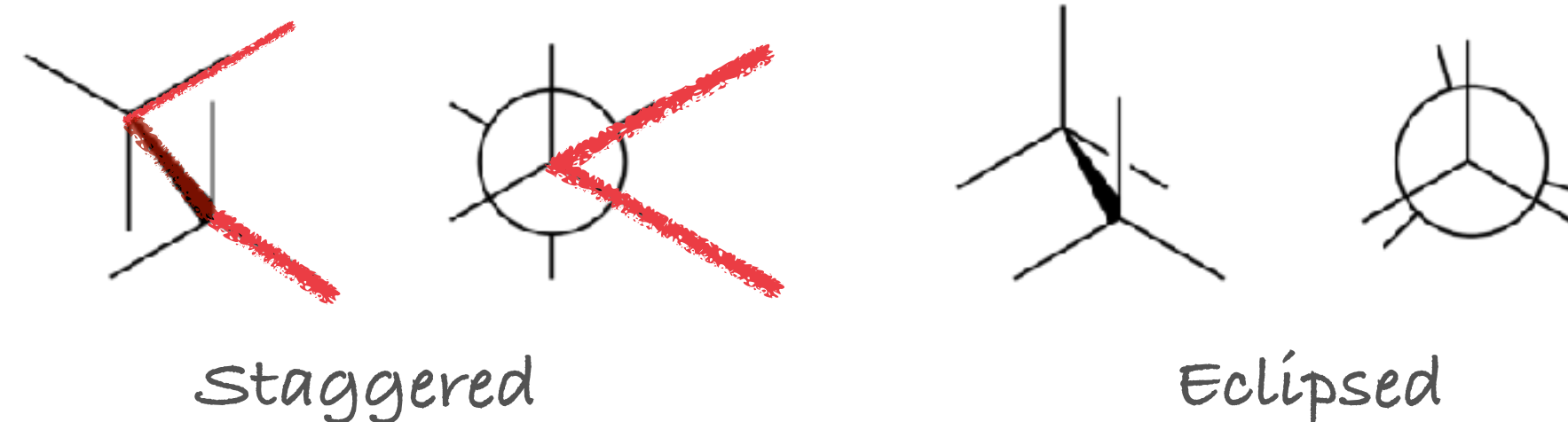
Yes!  
bond angles

Yes!  
Planar groups

?  
harmonic torsions

?  
NCS, etc

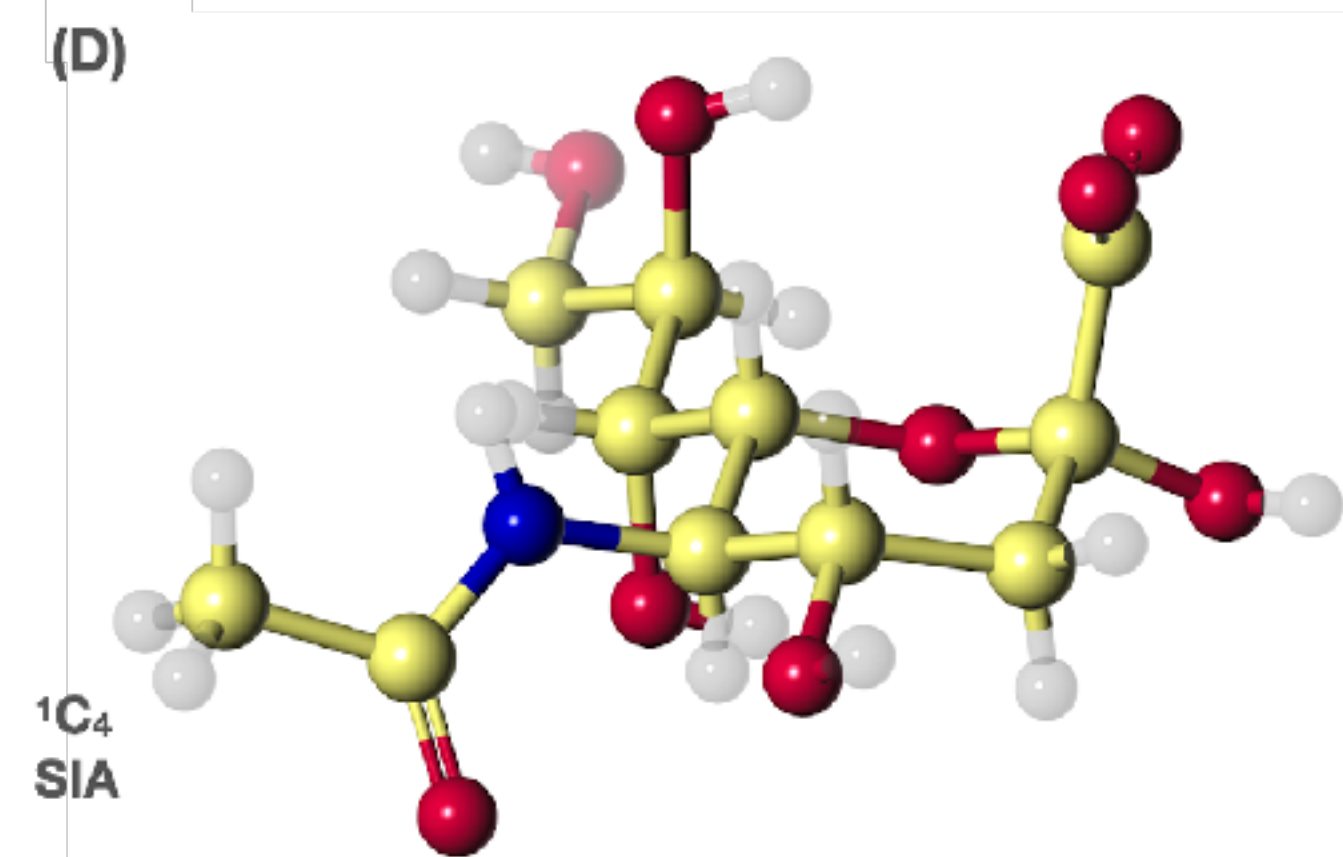
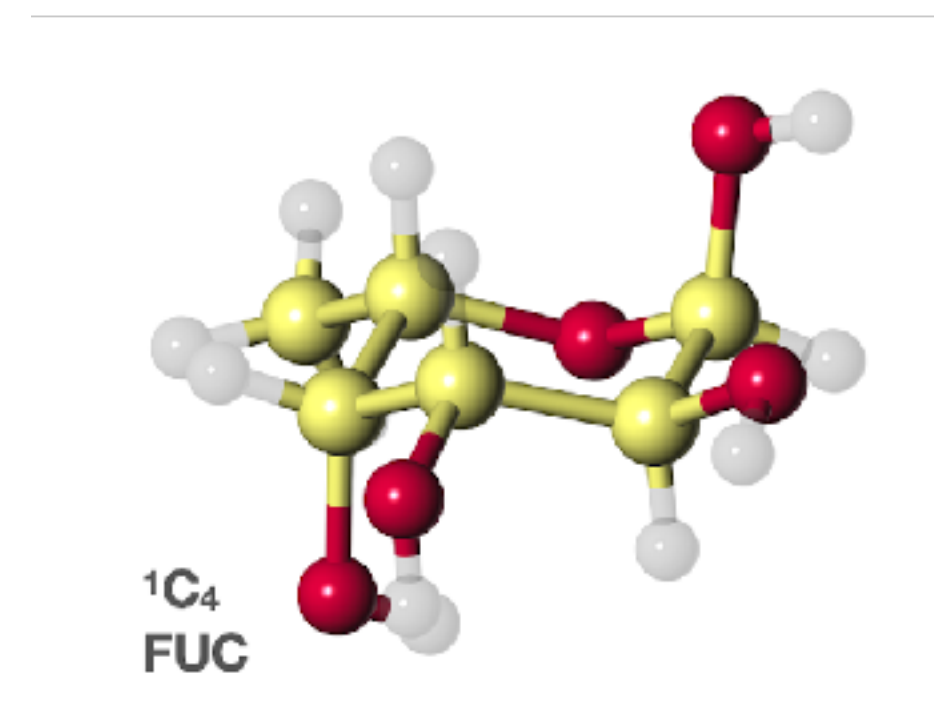
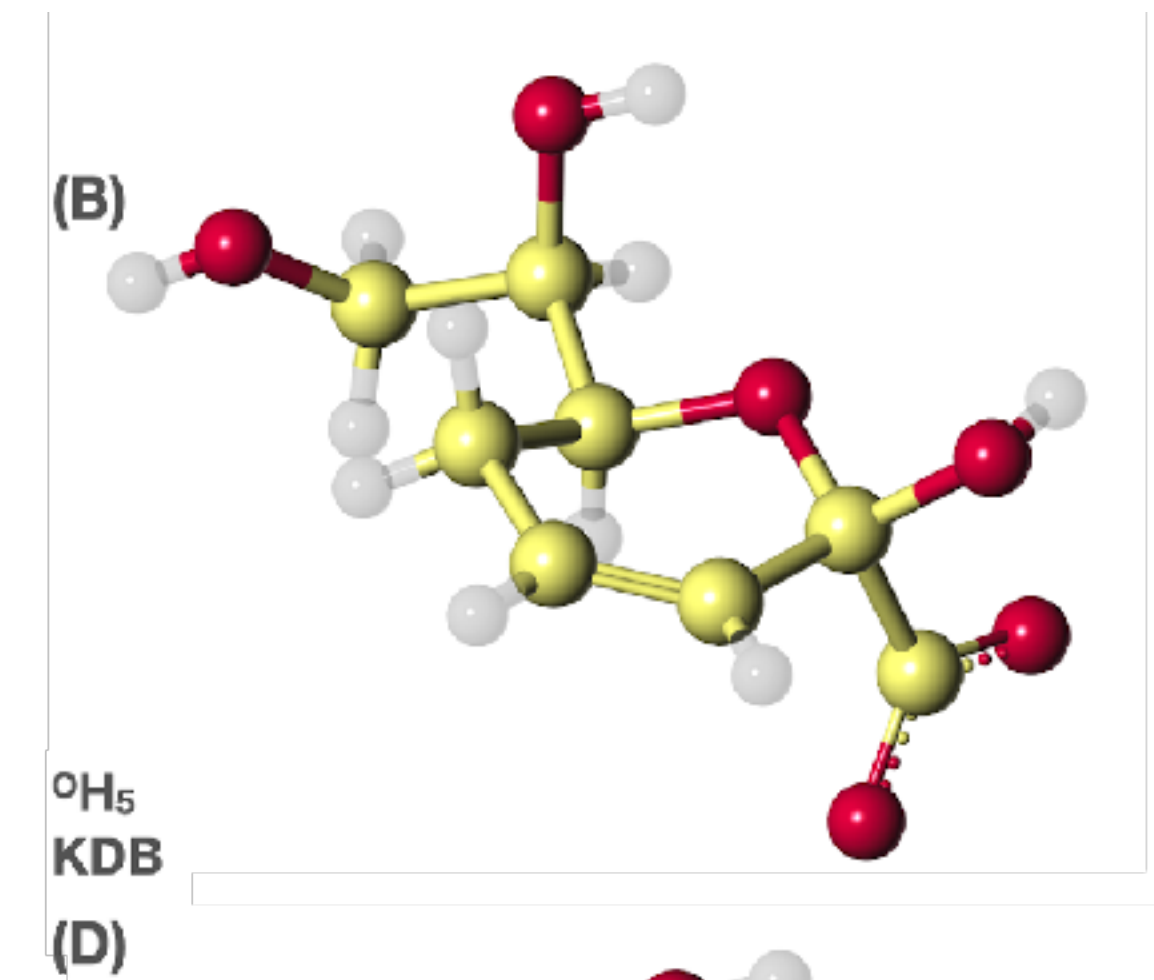
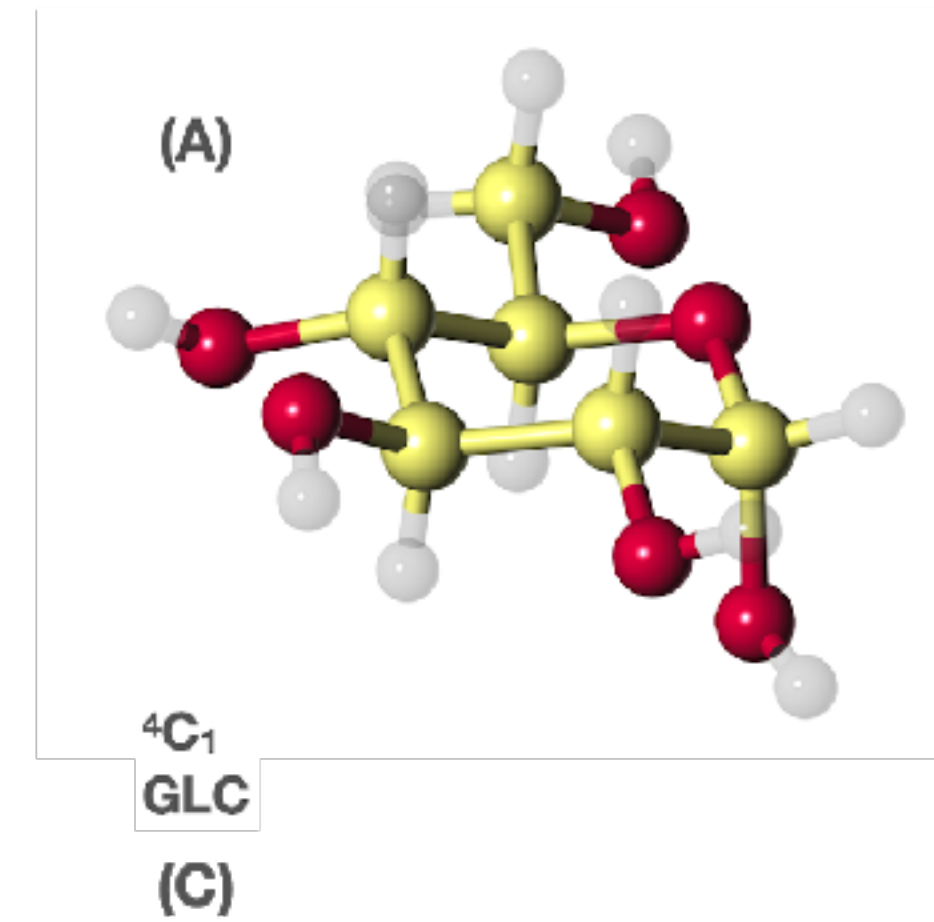
*~60°/-60°*



# Our new restraint dictionaries *understand* ring conformation

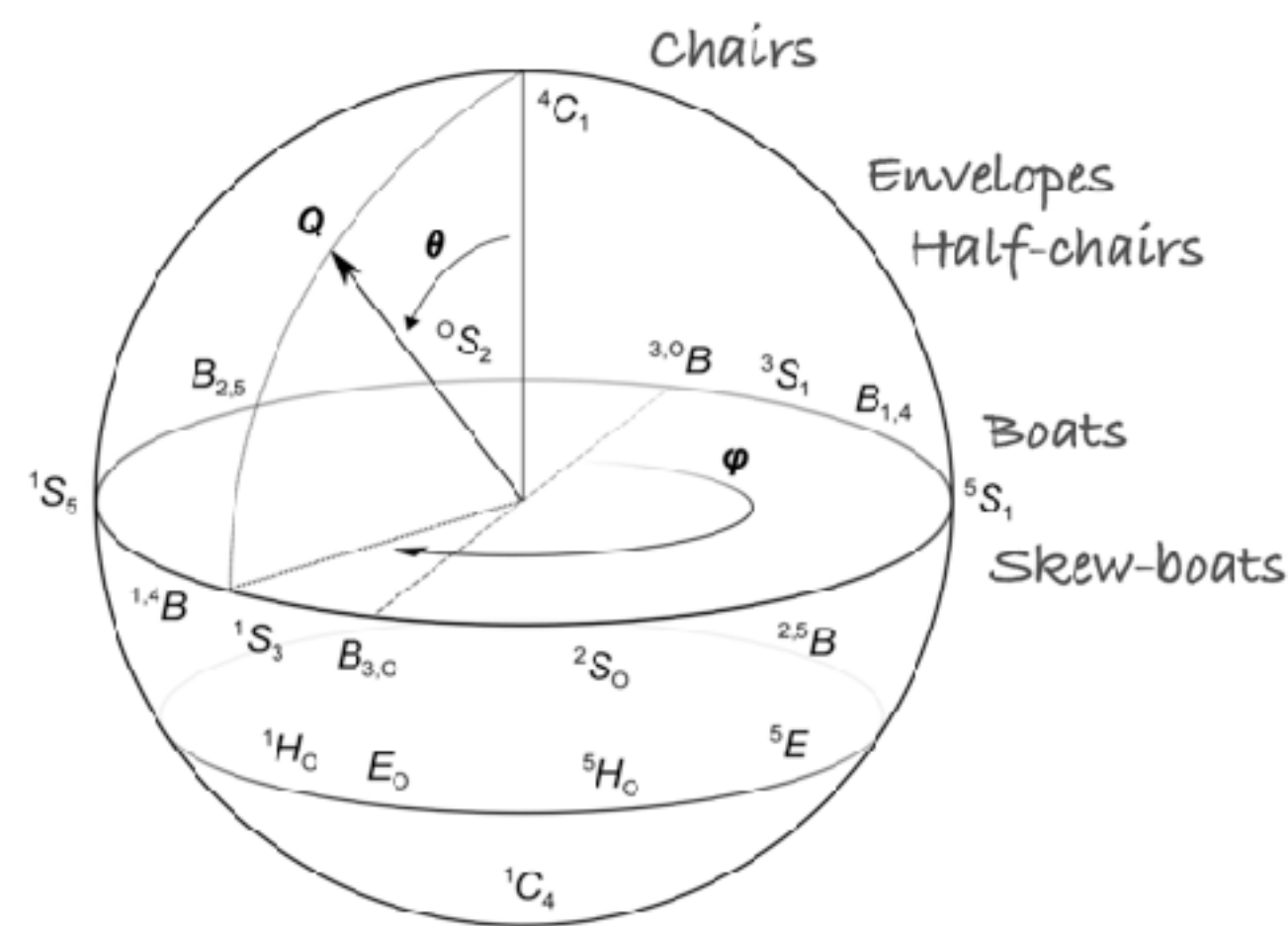
Patched `_chem_comp_tor` section of a restraint dictionary separating **ring torsion angles** from the **rest**, as specified by **four atoms**, **target value**, **uncertainty** and **periodicity**

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NAG	ring_2	O5	C1	C2	C3	53.650513	3.0	1
NAG	ring_3	C1	C2	C3	C4	-52.014420	3.0	1
NAG	ring_4	C2	C3	C4	C5	54.096725	3.0	1
NAG	ring_5	C3	C4	C5	O5	-56.921230	3.0	1
NAG	ring_6	C4	C5	O5	C1	61.200516	3.0	1
NAG	tors_1	C8	C7	N2	C2	-175.114227	10.0	2
NAG	tors_2	N2	C7	C8	H81	-13.703261	10.0	6
NAG	tors_3	C5	C6	O6	H06	-177.520996	10.0	3
NAG	tors_4	C4	C5	C6	O6	61.135471	10.0	3
NAG	tors_5	C6	C5	O5	C1	-175.561295	10.0	3
NAG	tors_6	O4	C4	C5	C6	63.707928	10.0	3
NAG	tors_7	C3	C4	O4	H04	-61.268230	10.0	3
NAG	tors_8	O3	C3	C4	O4	-63.830528	10.0	3
NAG	tors_9	C2	C3	O3	H03	-169.485916	10.0	3
NAG	tors_10	C7	N2	C2	C1	124.894669	10.0	6
NAG	tors_11	N2	C2	C3	O3	61.918137	10.0	3
NAG	tors_12	C2	C1	O1	H01	163.115189	10.0	3
NAG	tors_13	O1	C1	O5	C5	179.557251	10.0	3
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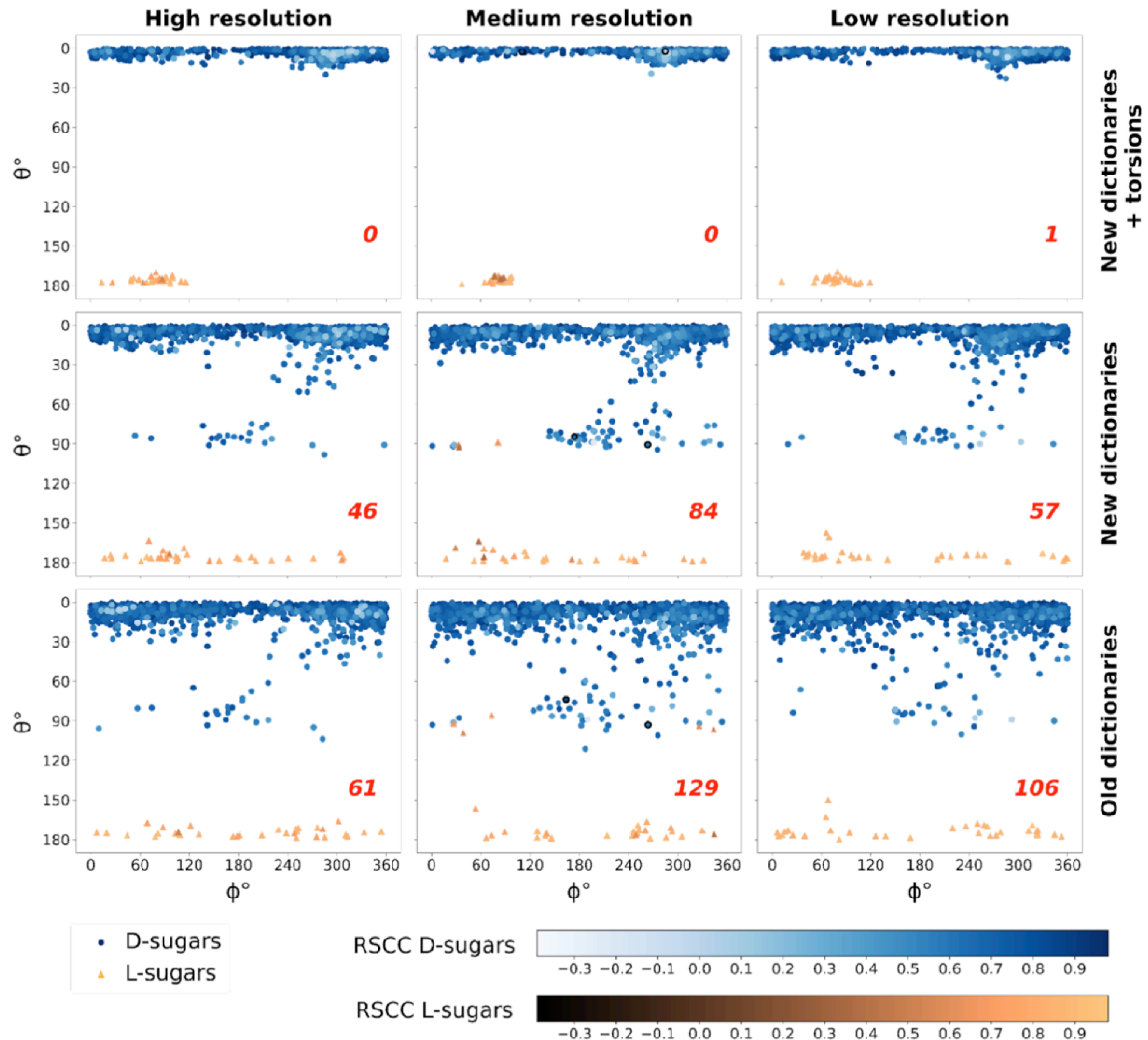


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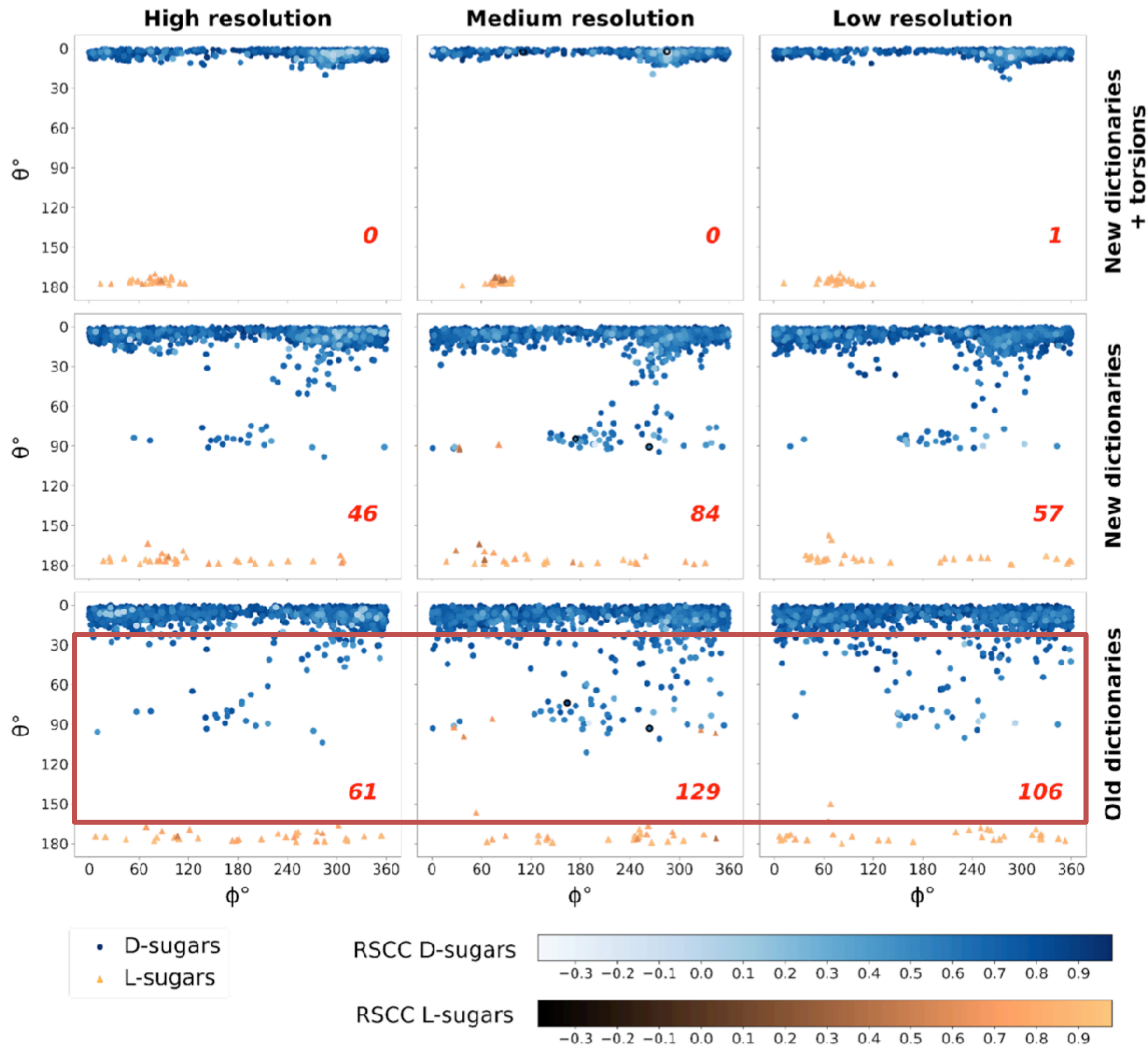
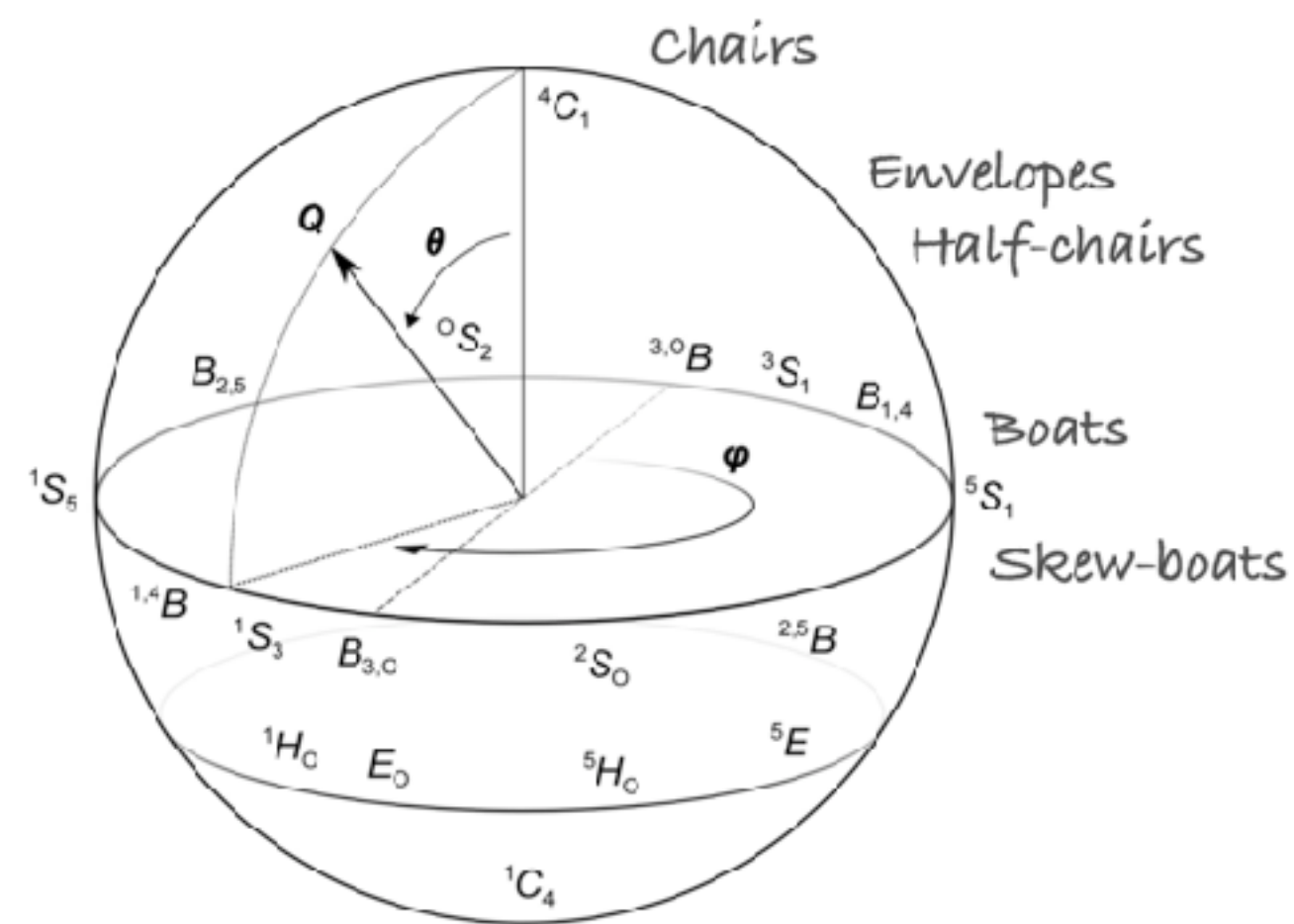


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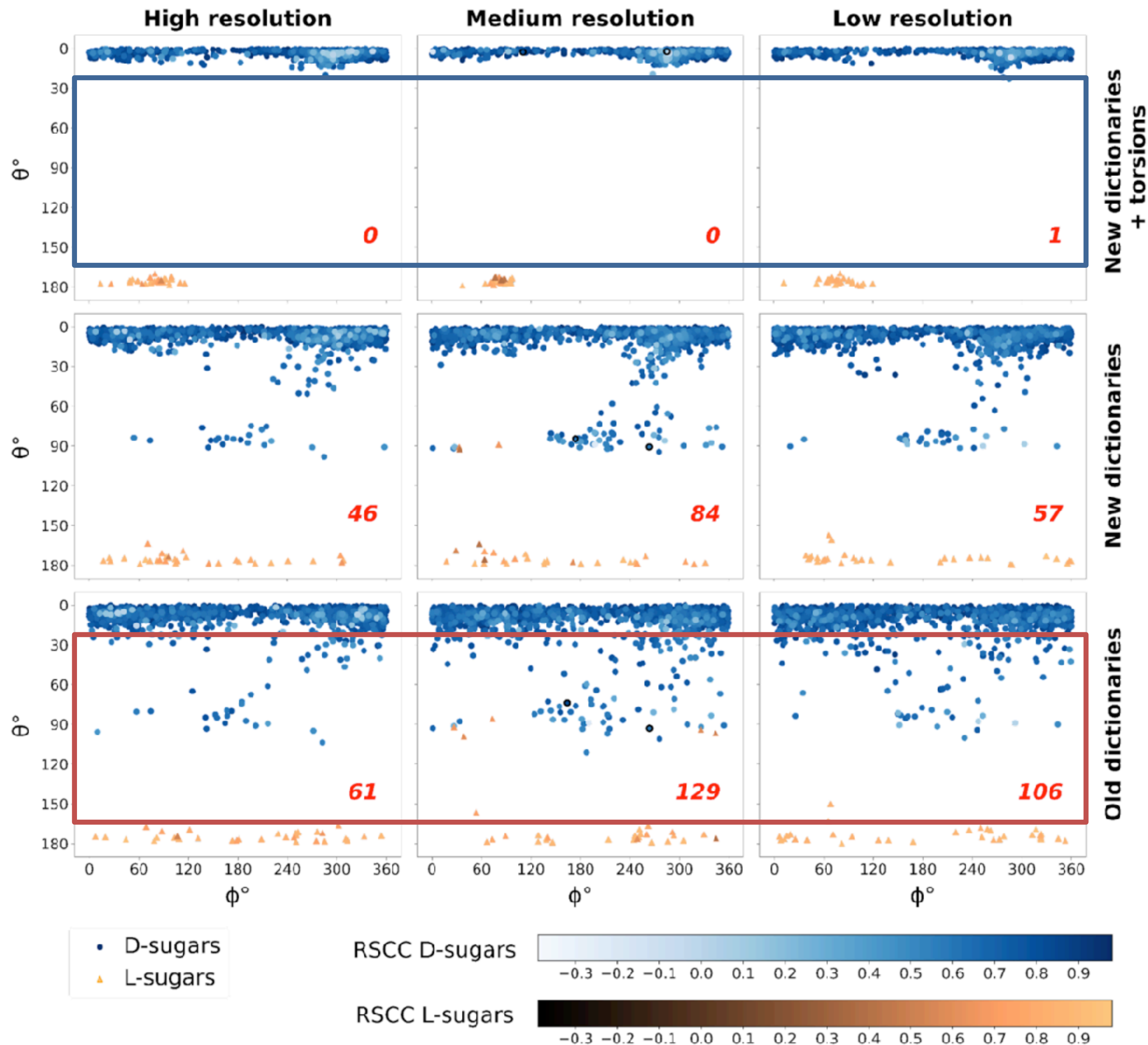
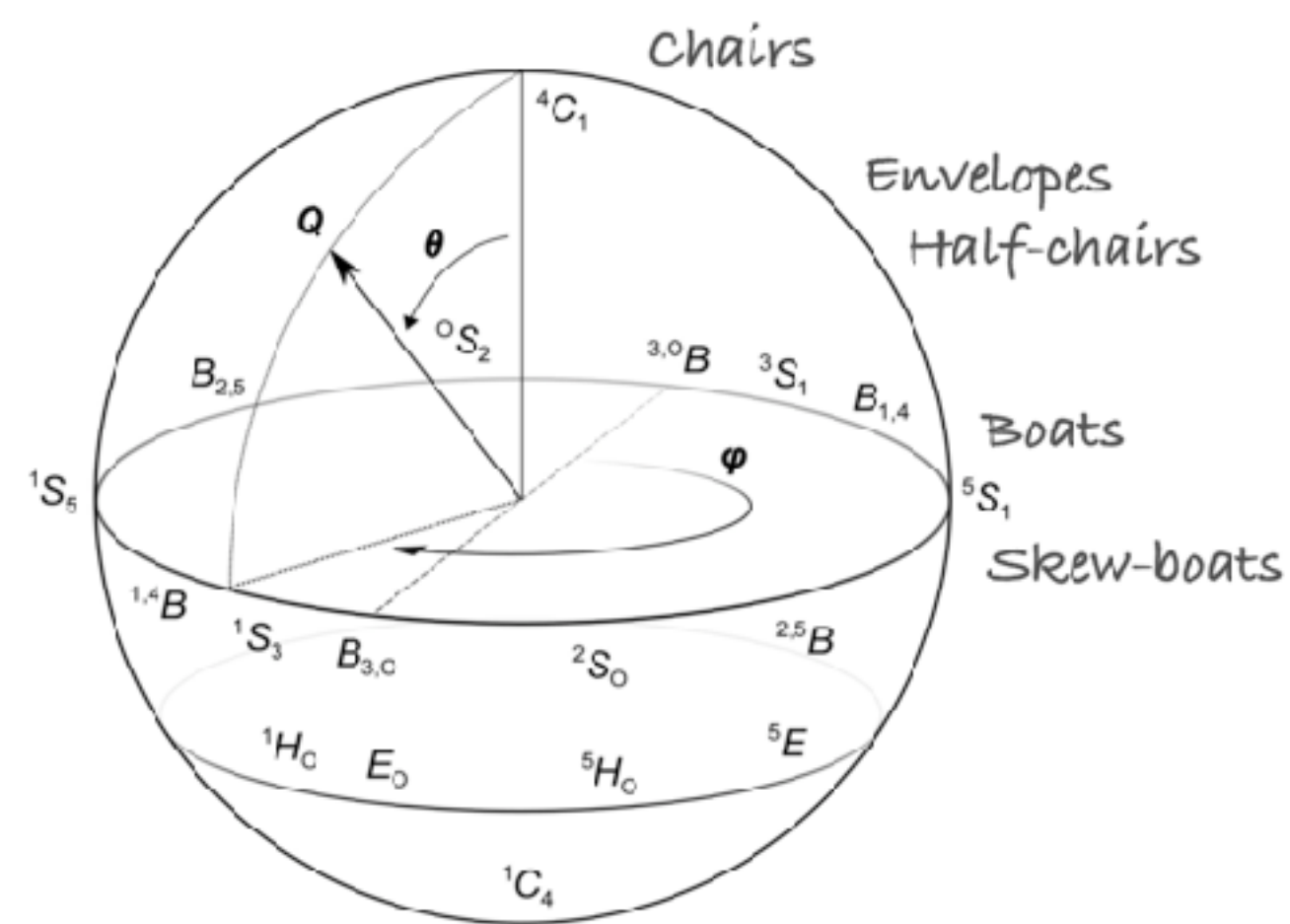
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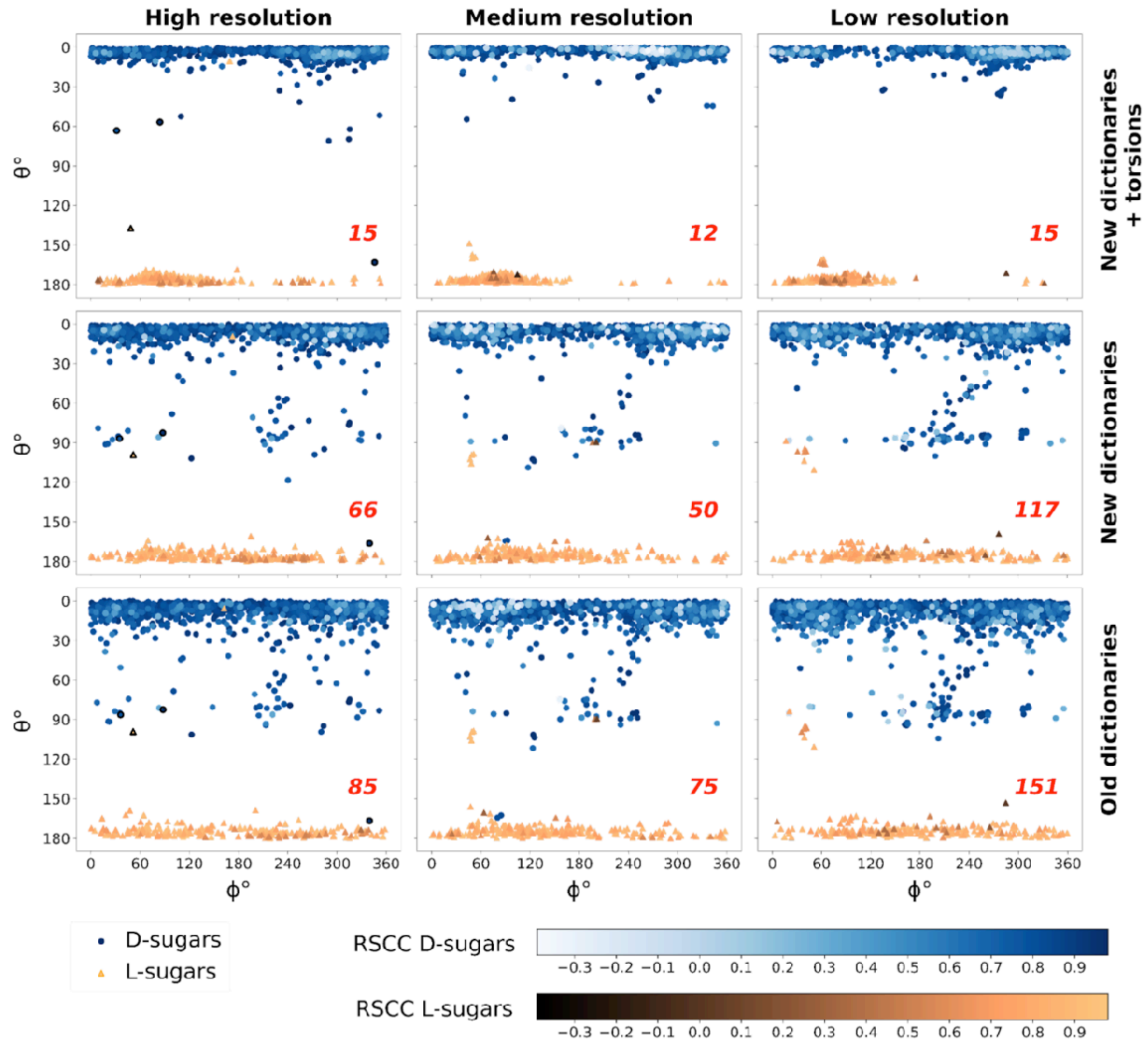
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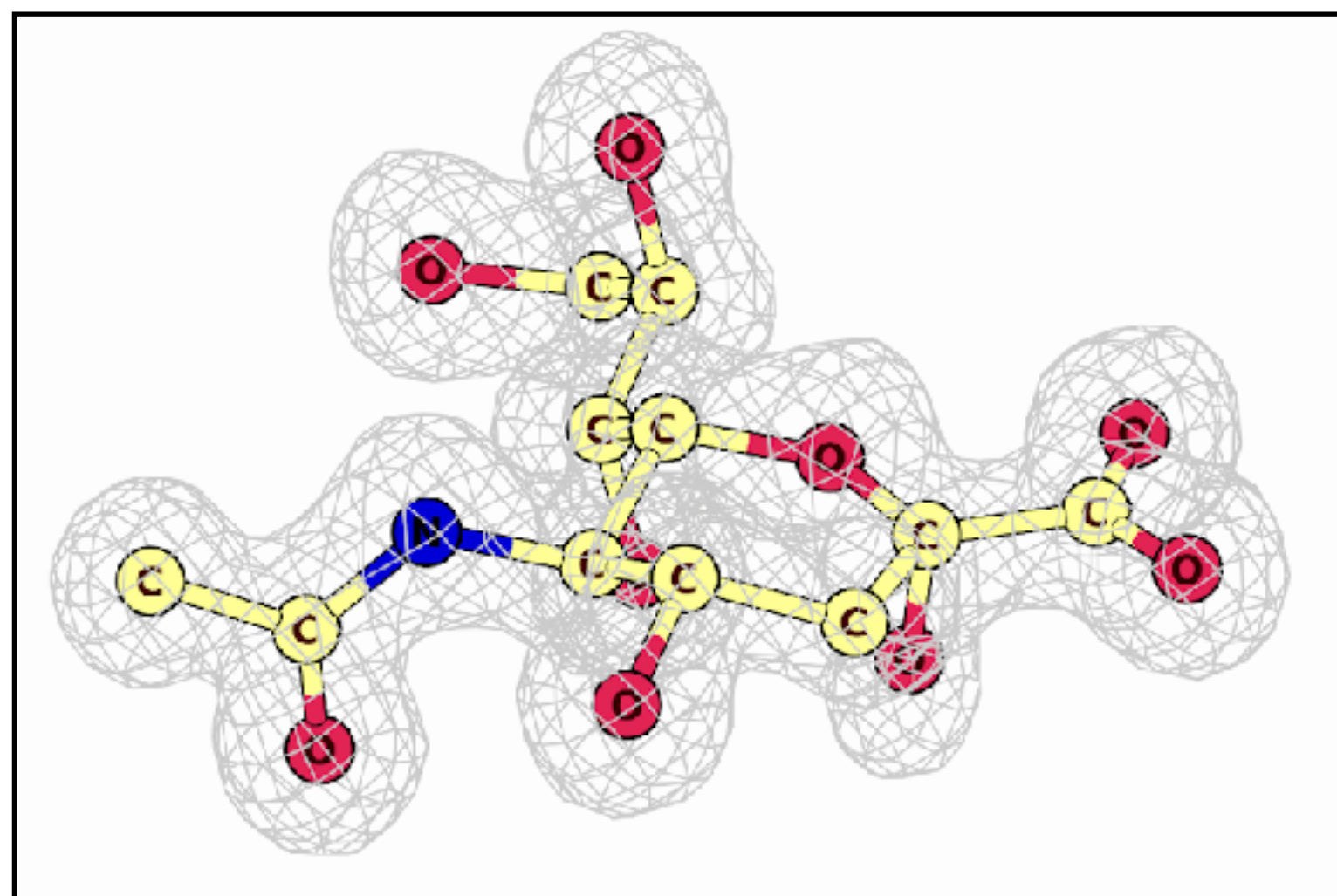
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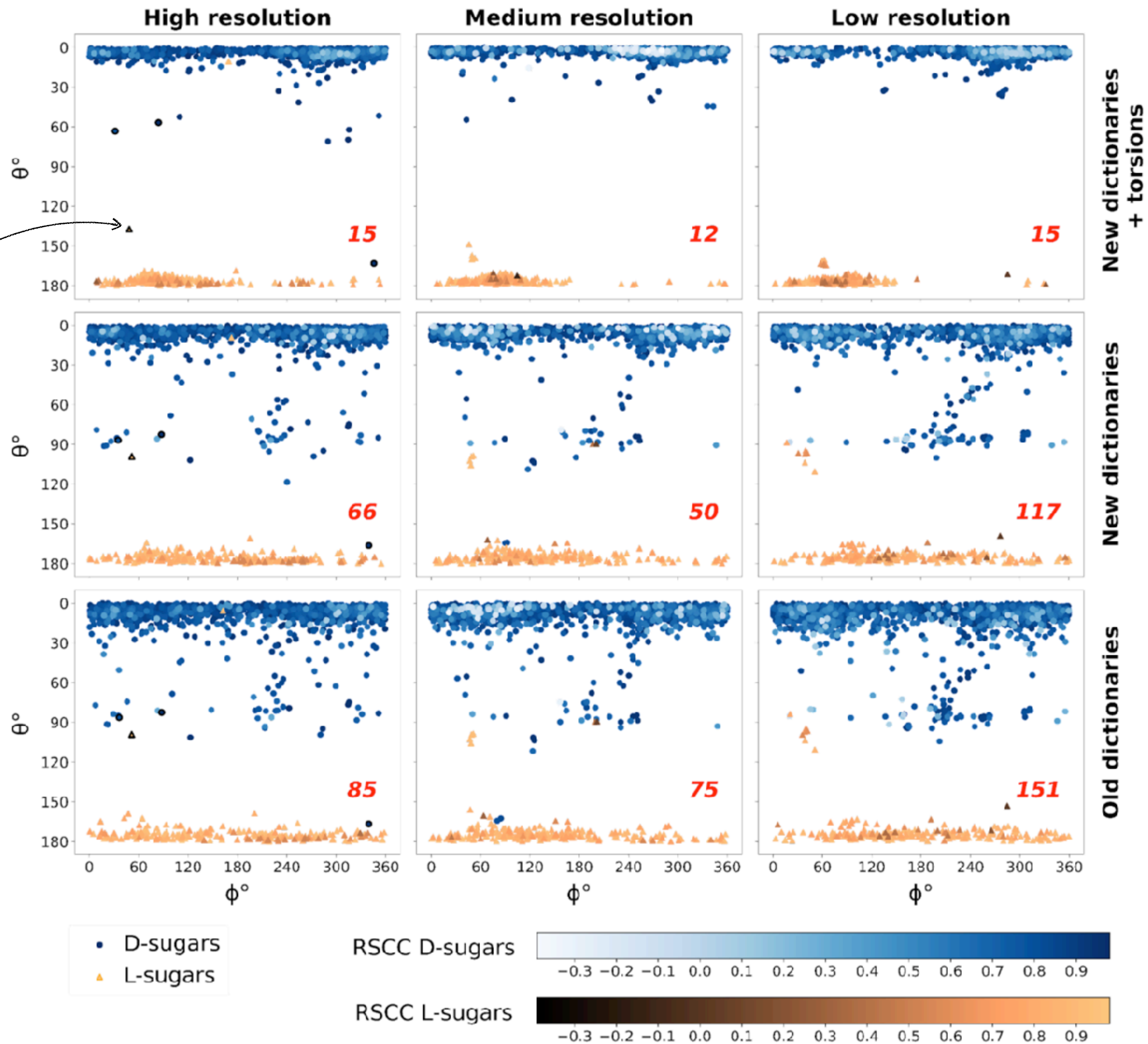
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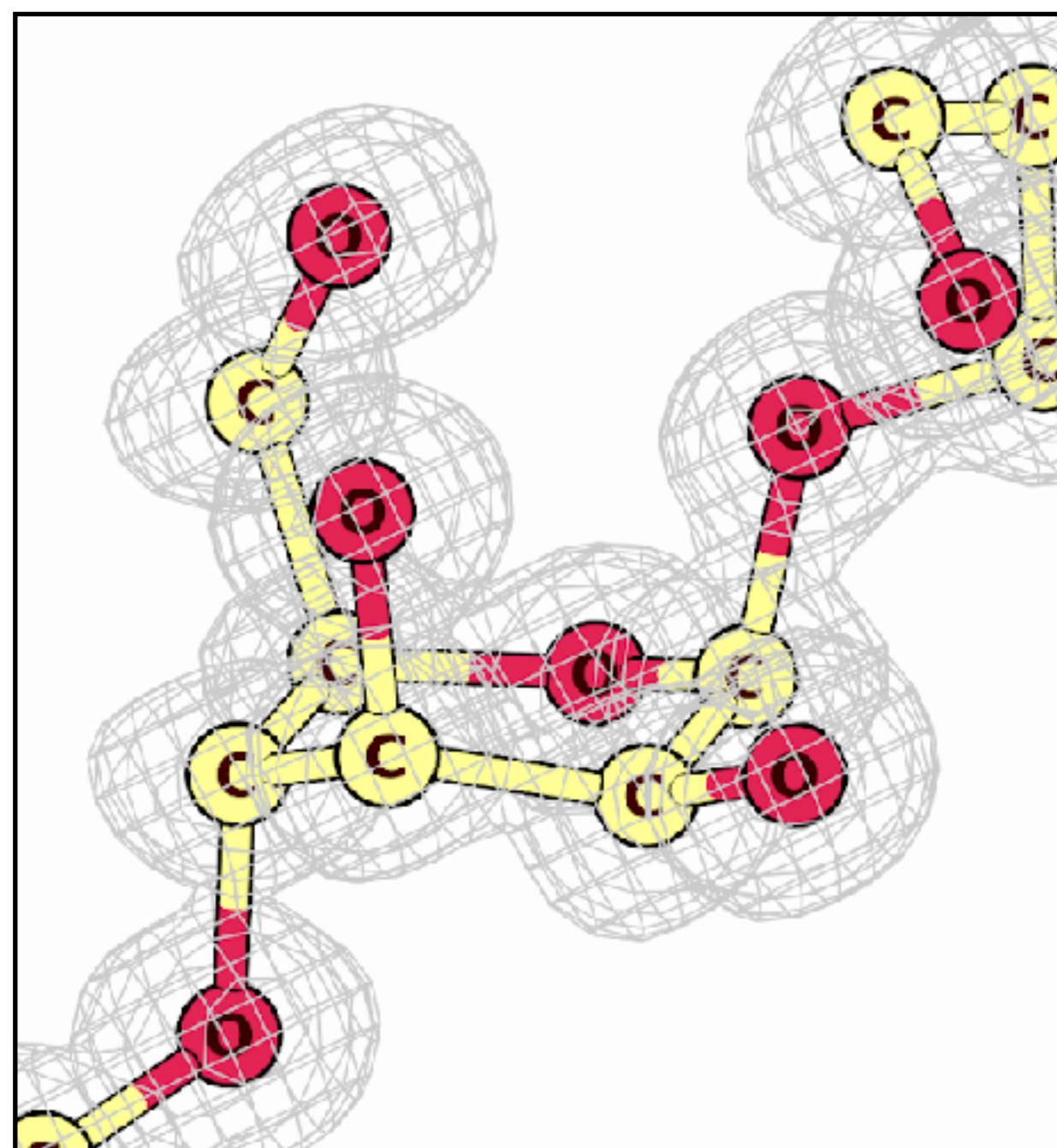


**6HG0 (SIA-A-522) in 4E**  
**1.30 Å resolution, RSCC=0.94**

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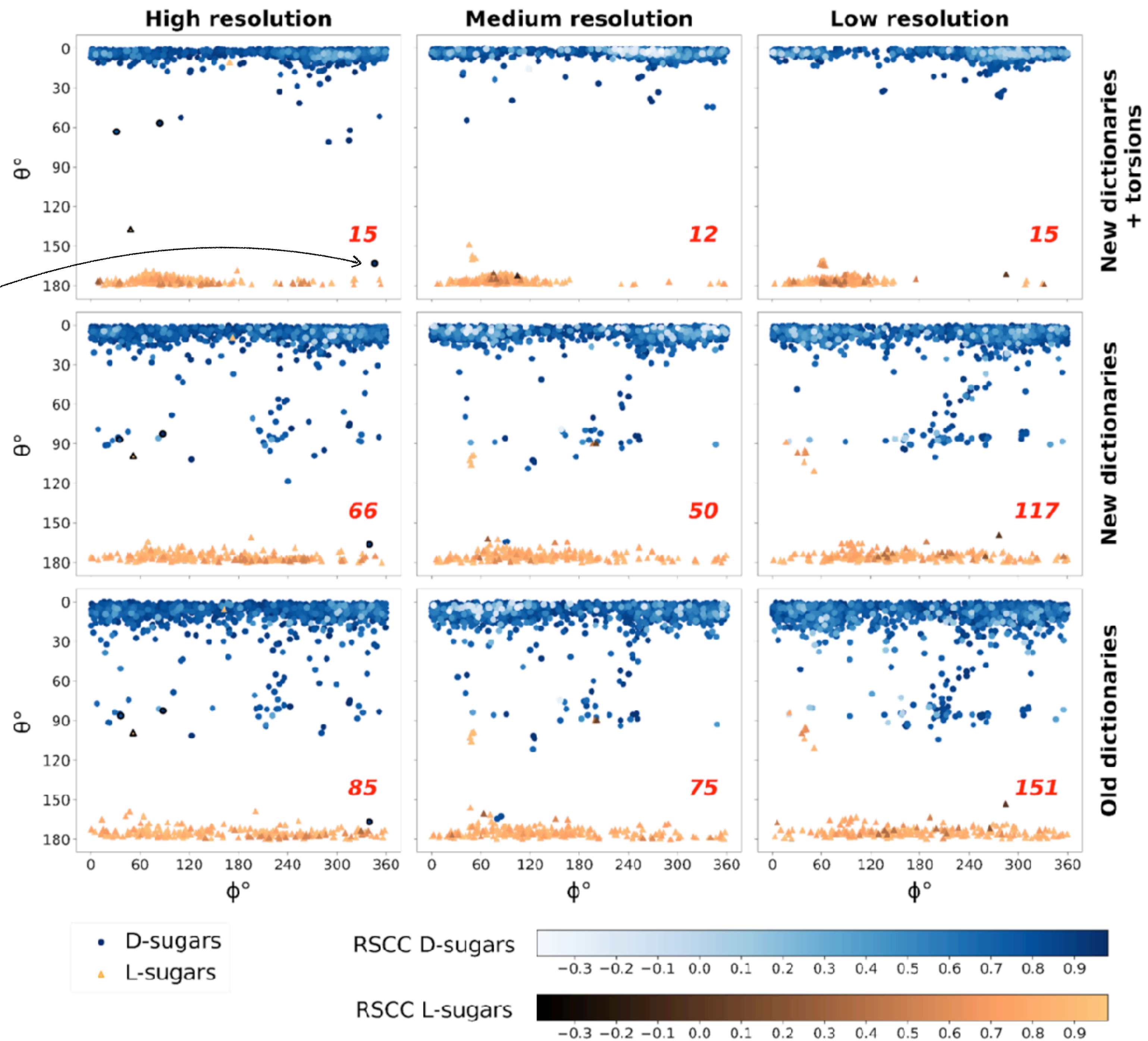


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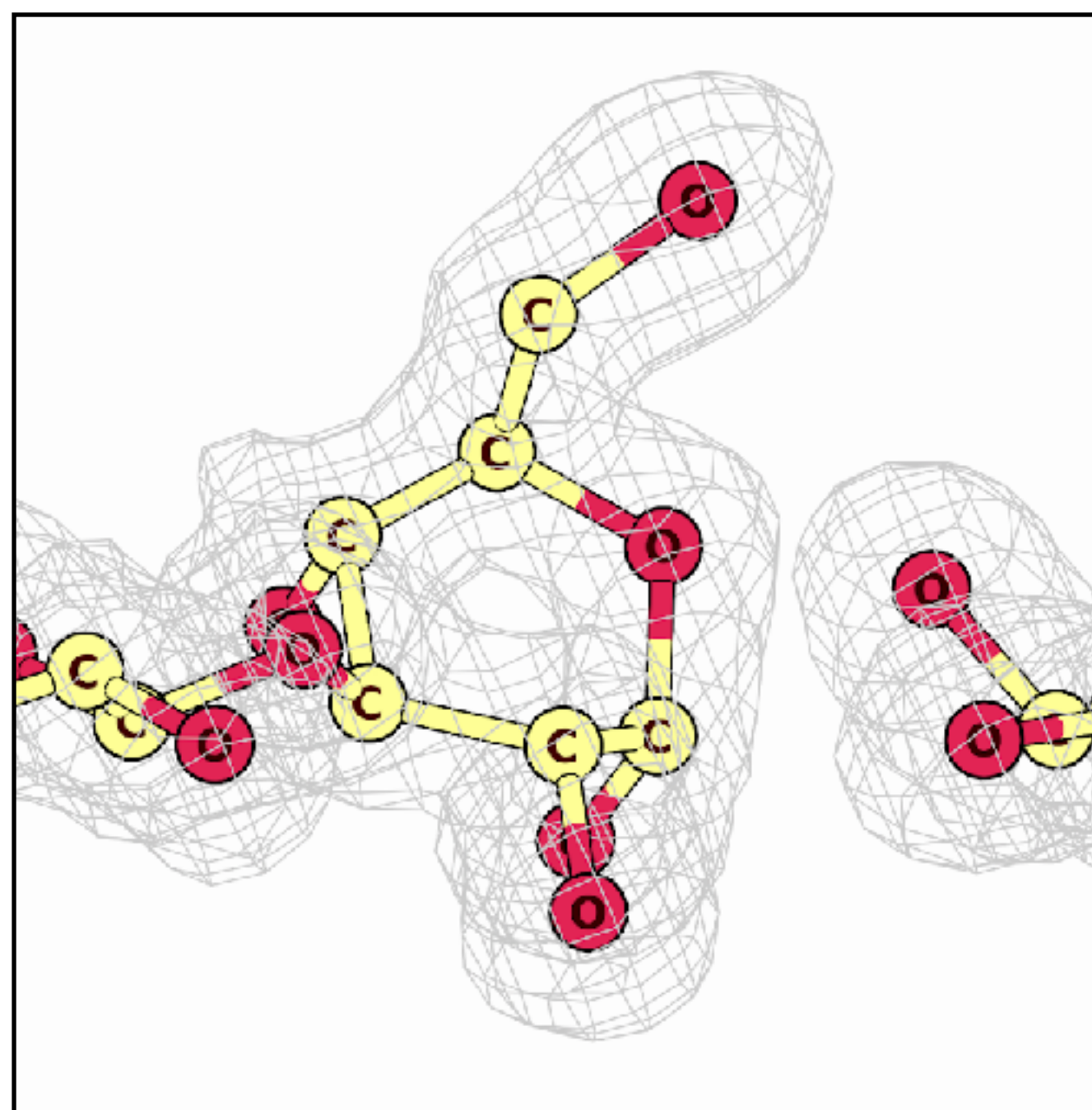


**5JUG (BMA-B-3) in  ${}^1C_4$**   
**0.95 Å resolution, RSCC=0.95**

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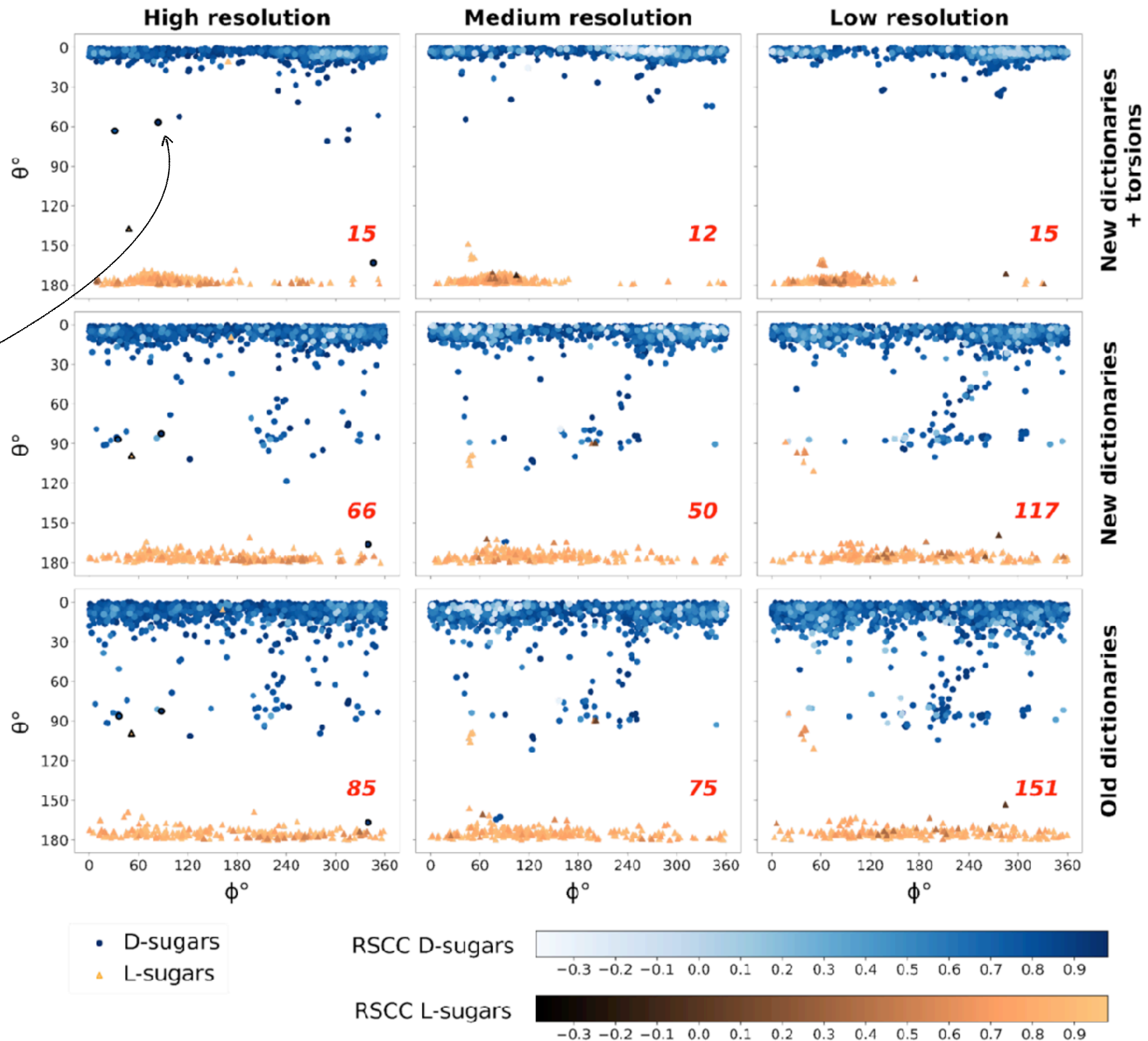


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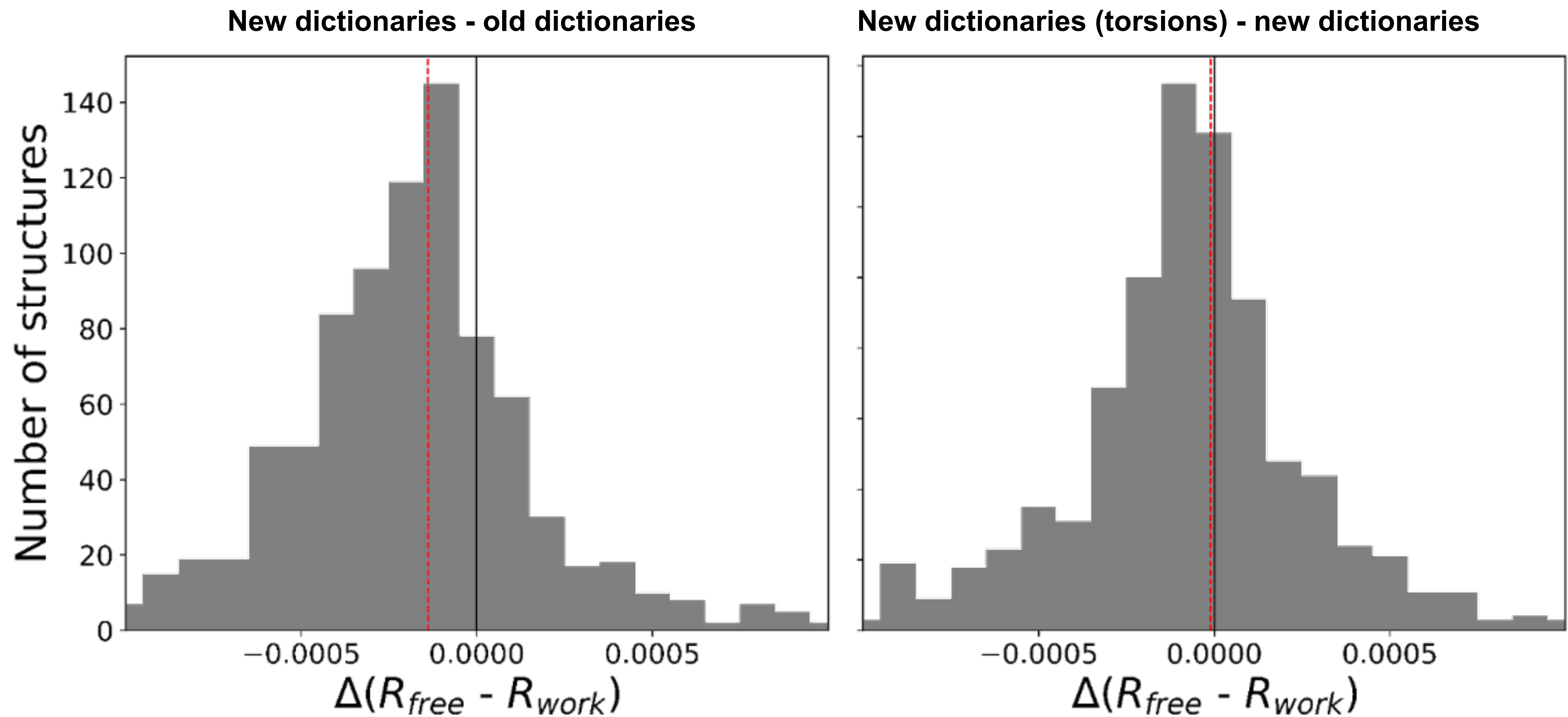
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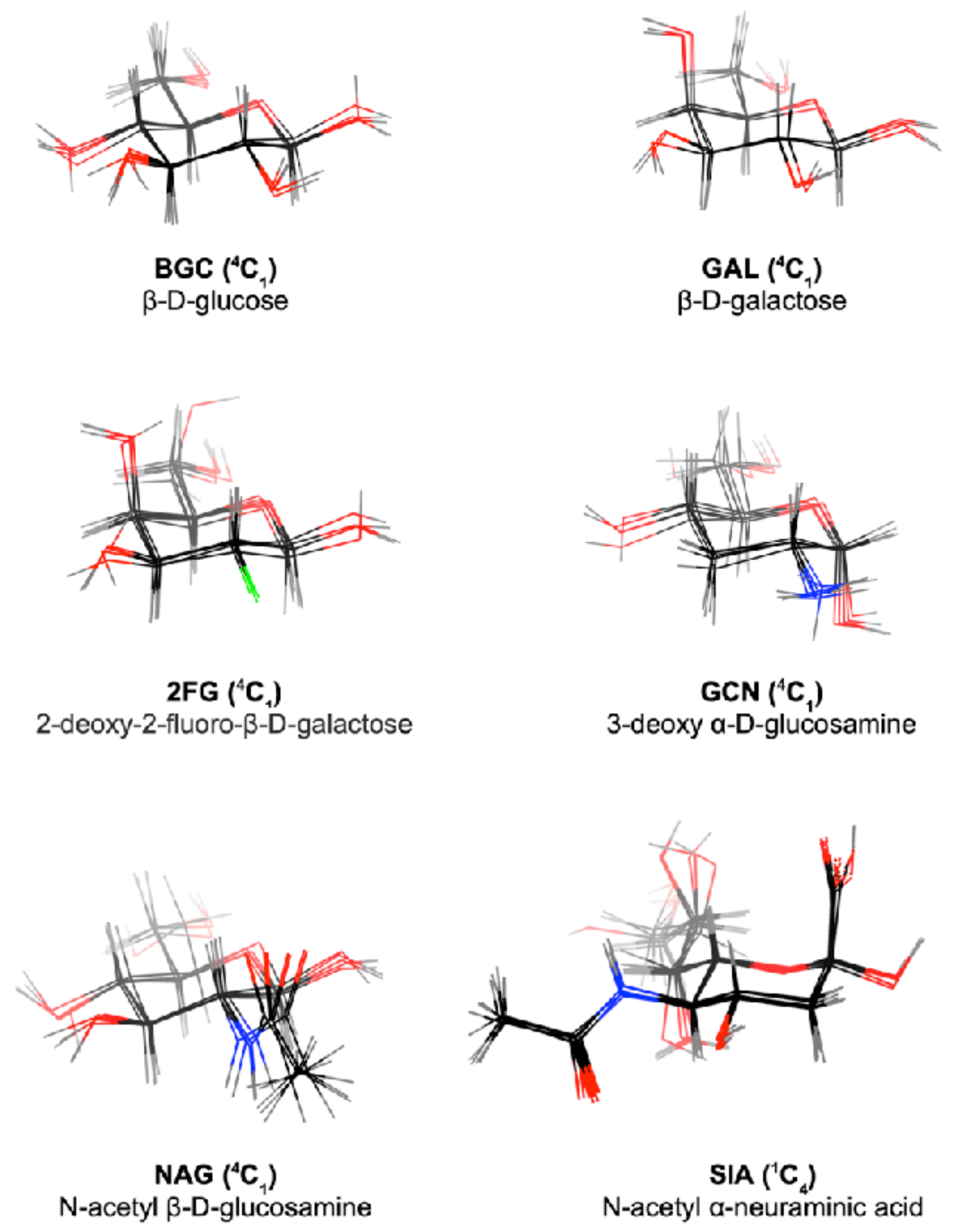
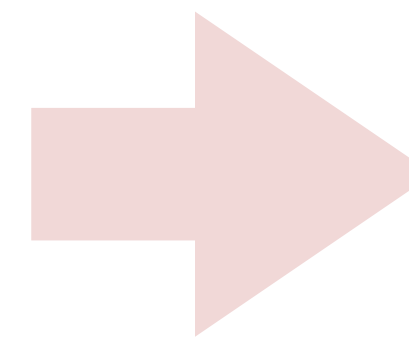
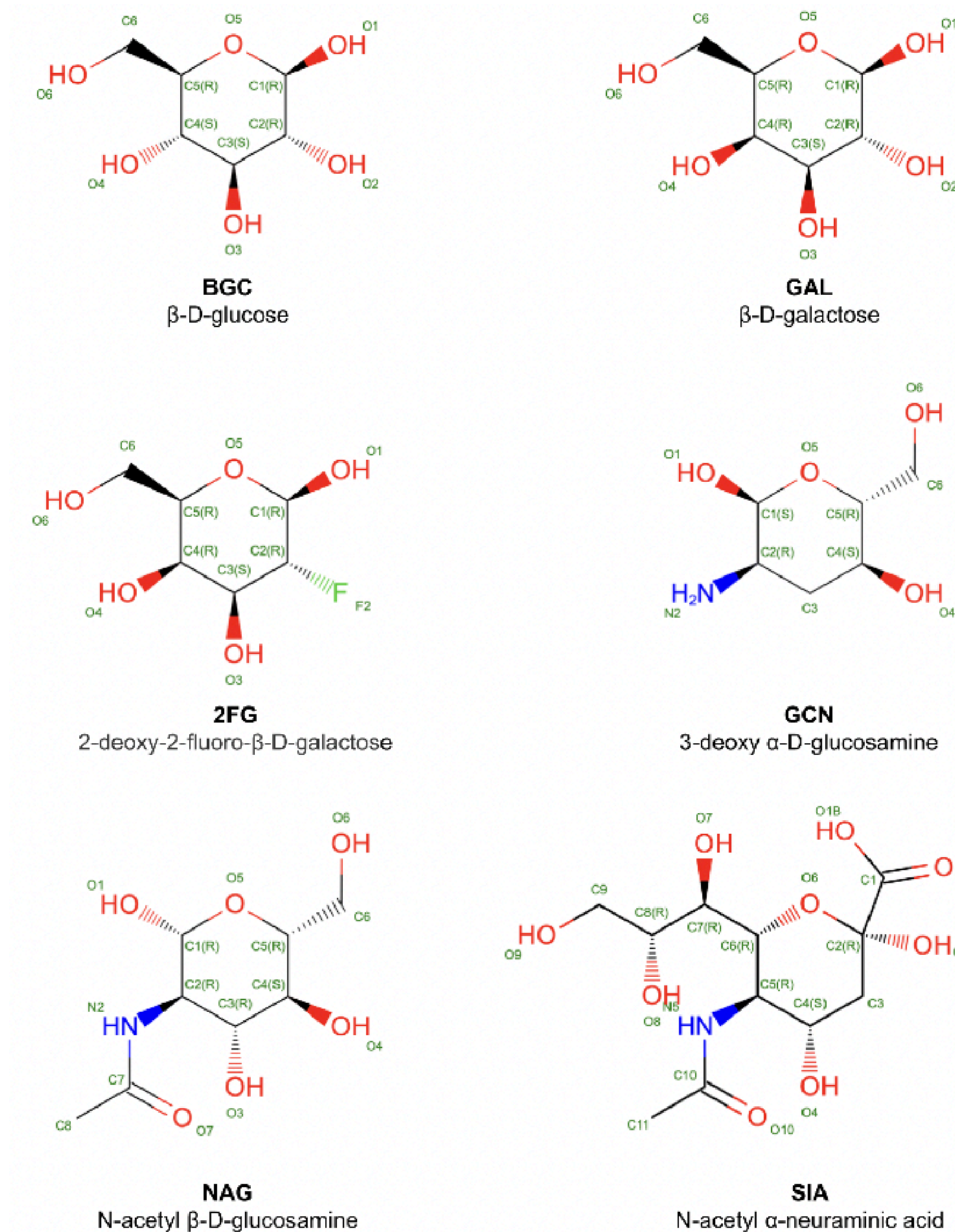


# New dictionaries with conformational restraints

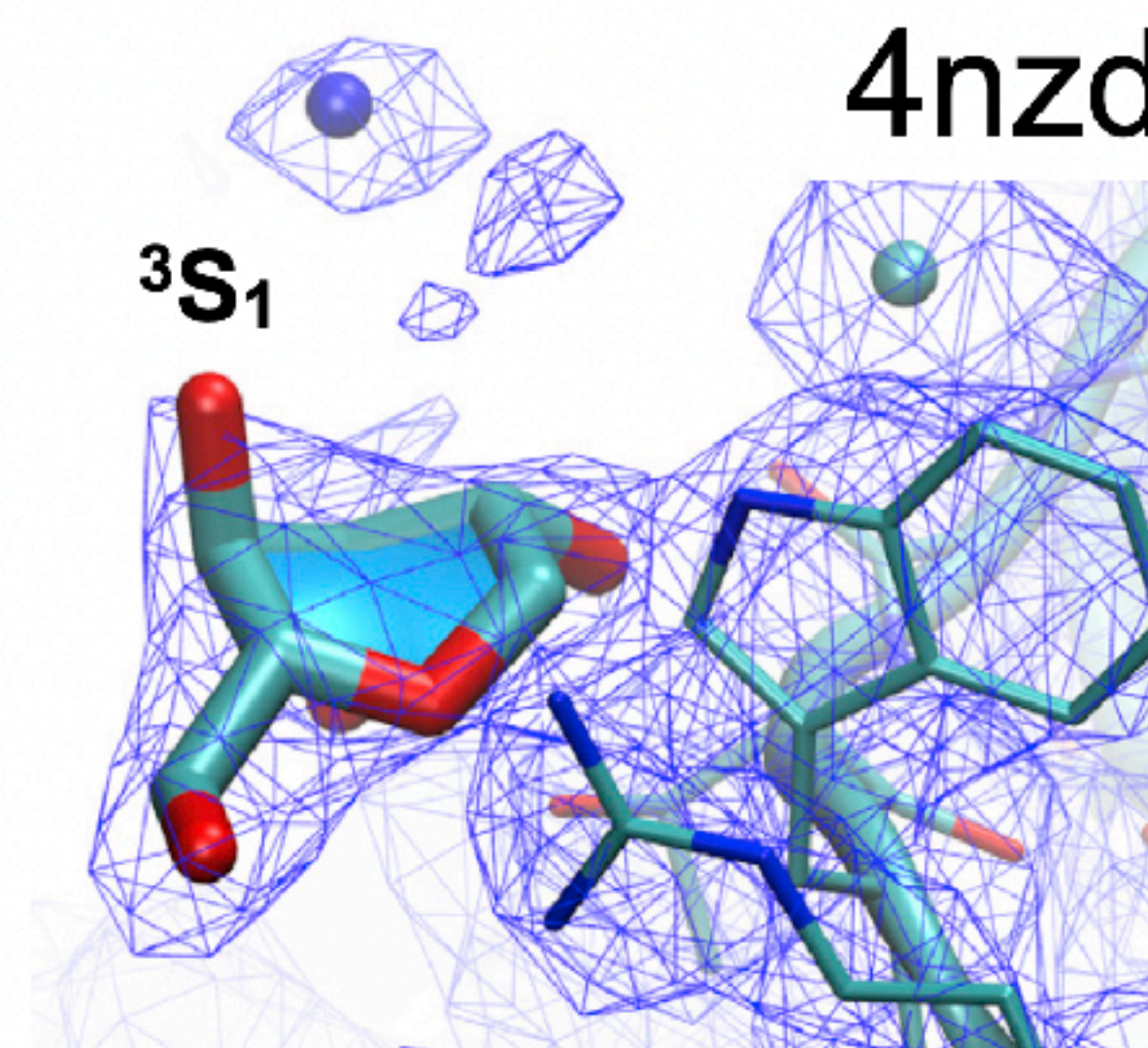
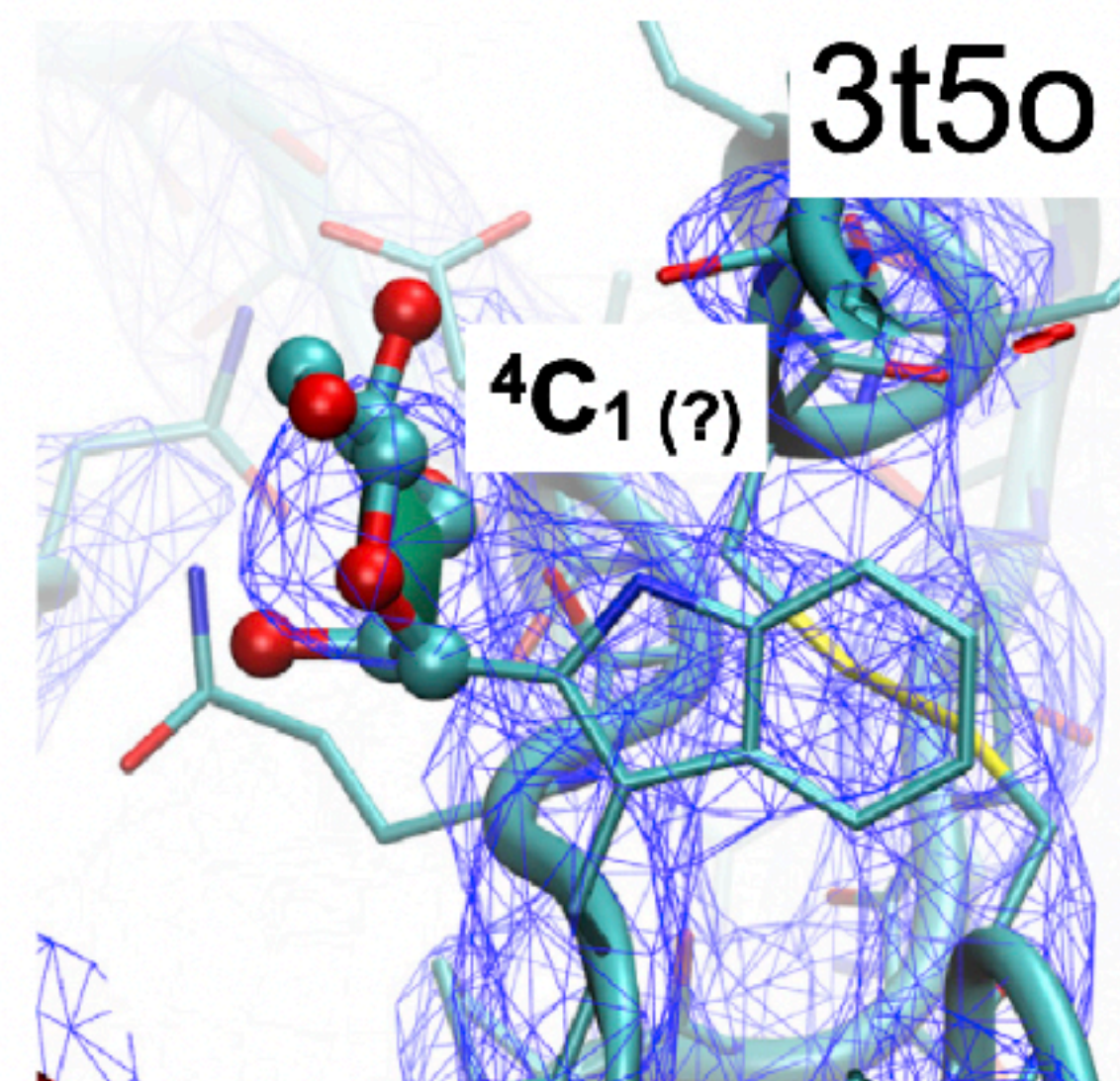
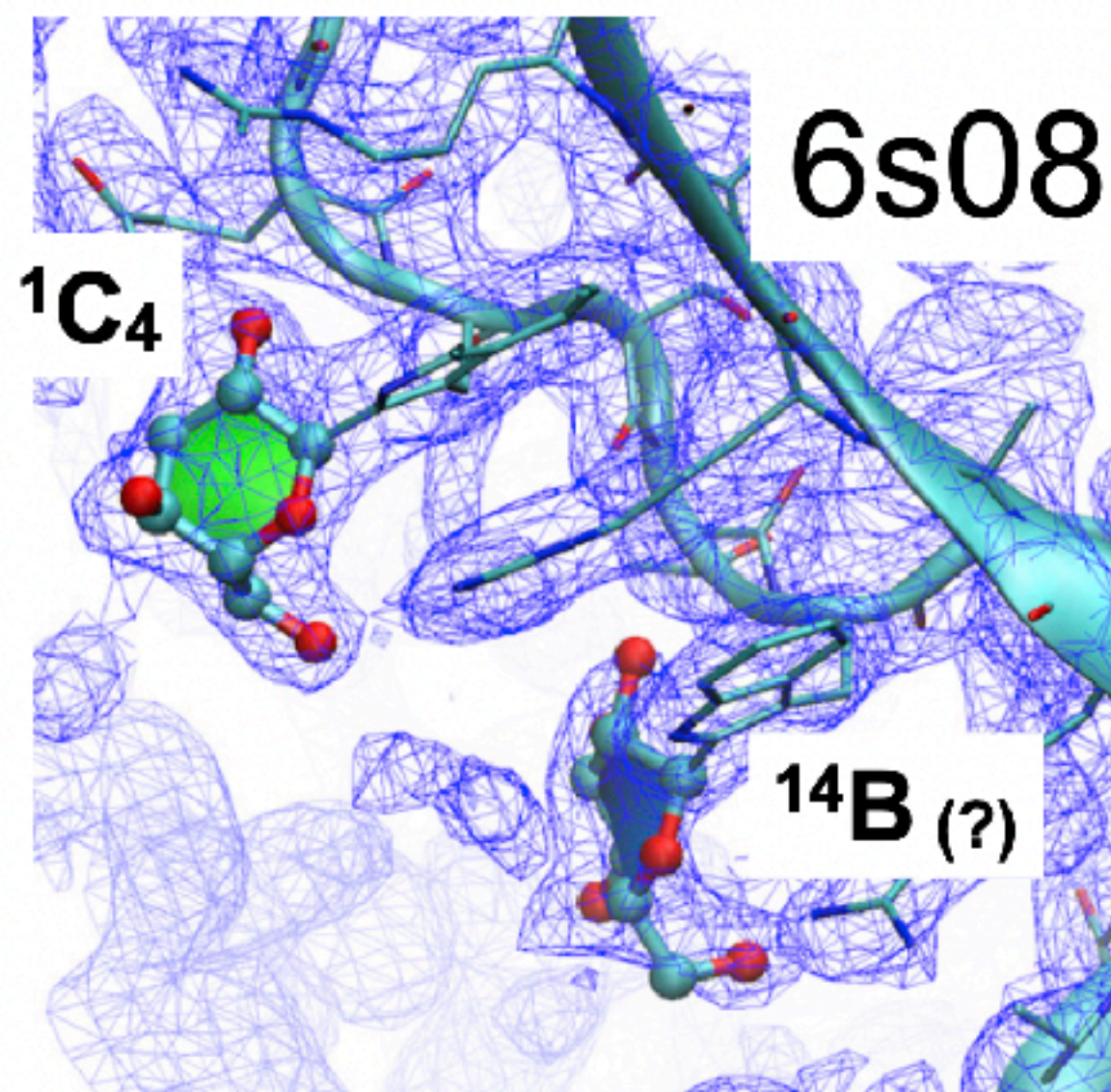
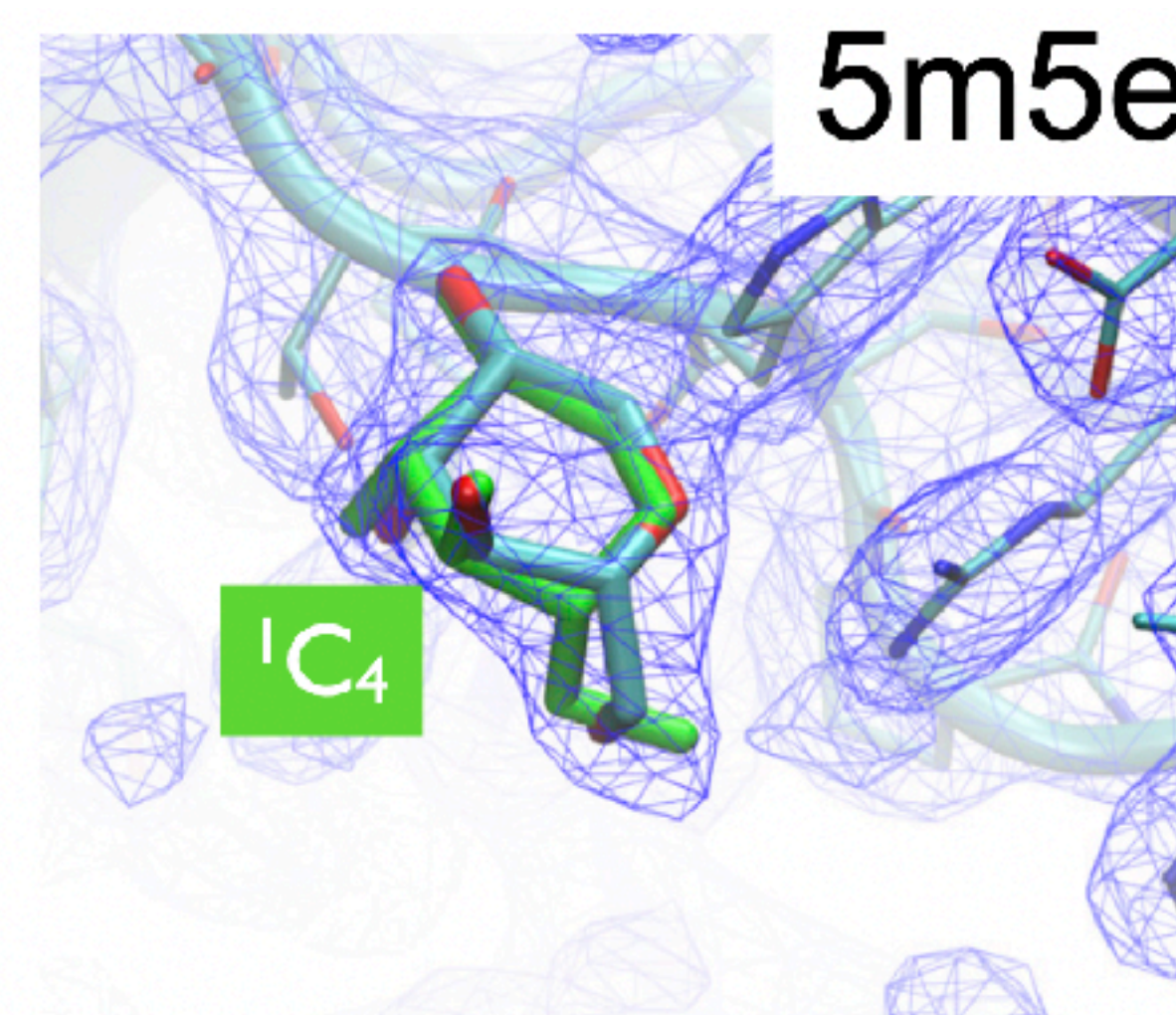
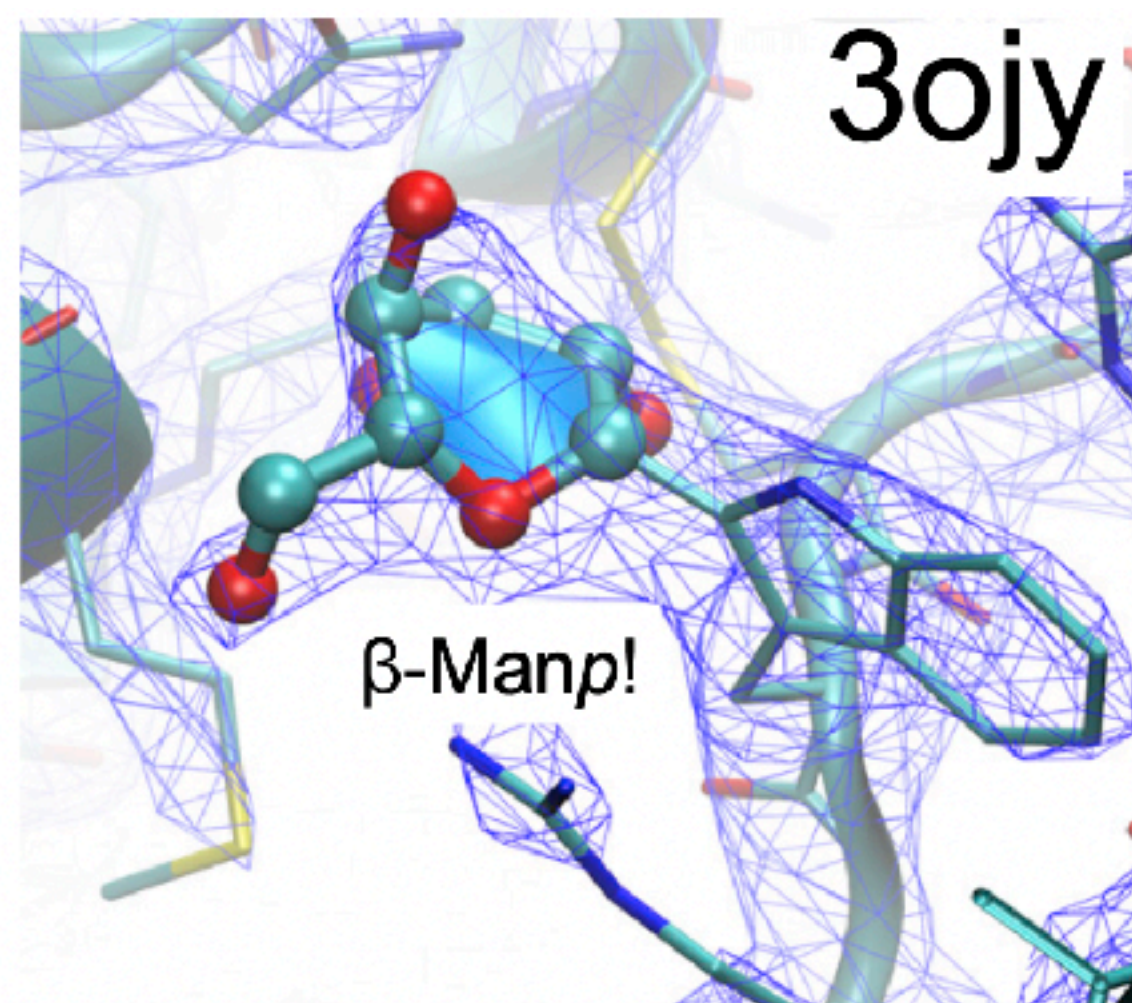
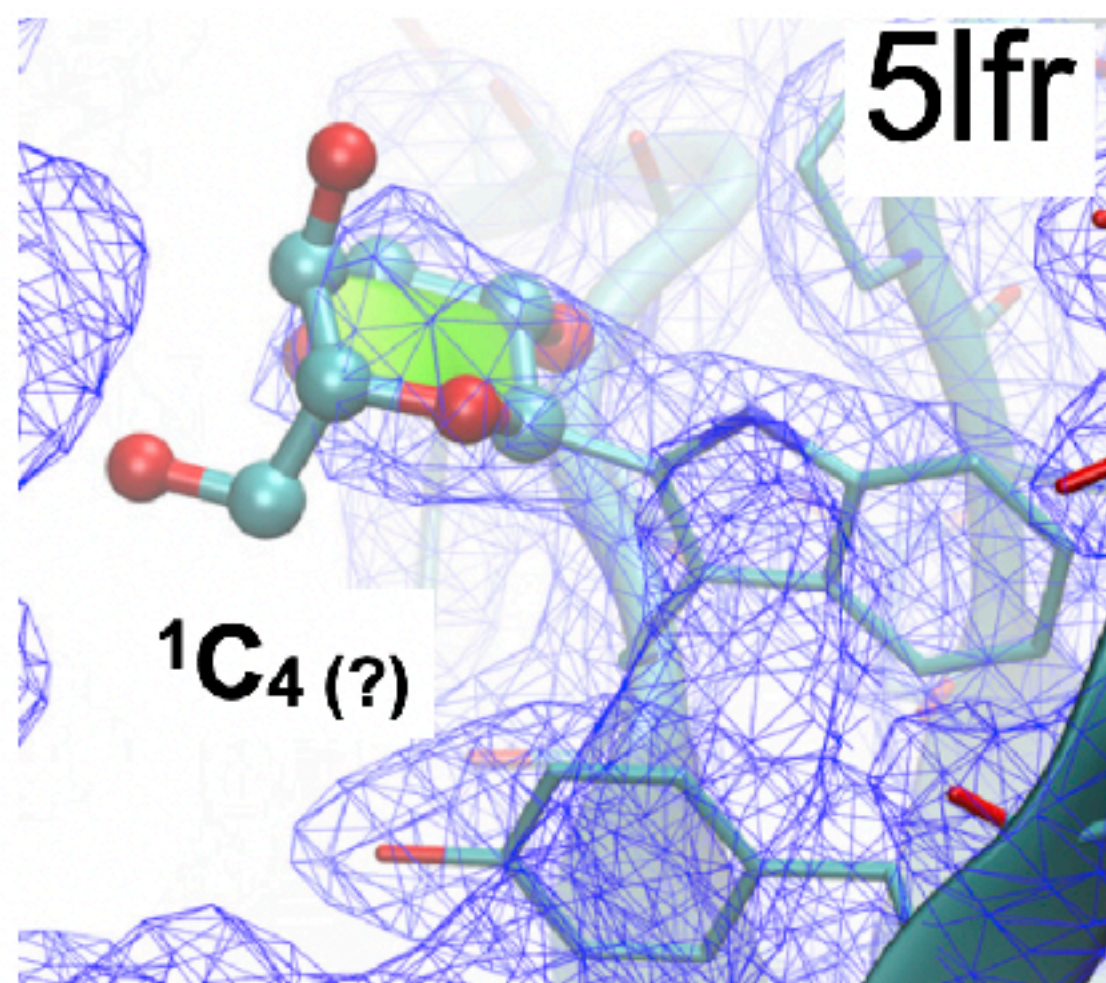
## Reduction in $R_{\text{gap}}$ = less overfitting



# Improving restraint consistency across software: getting in touch with developers

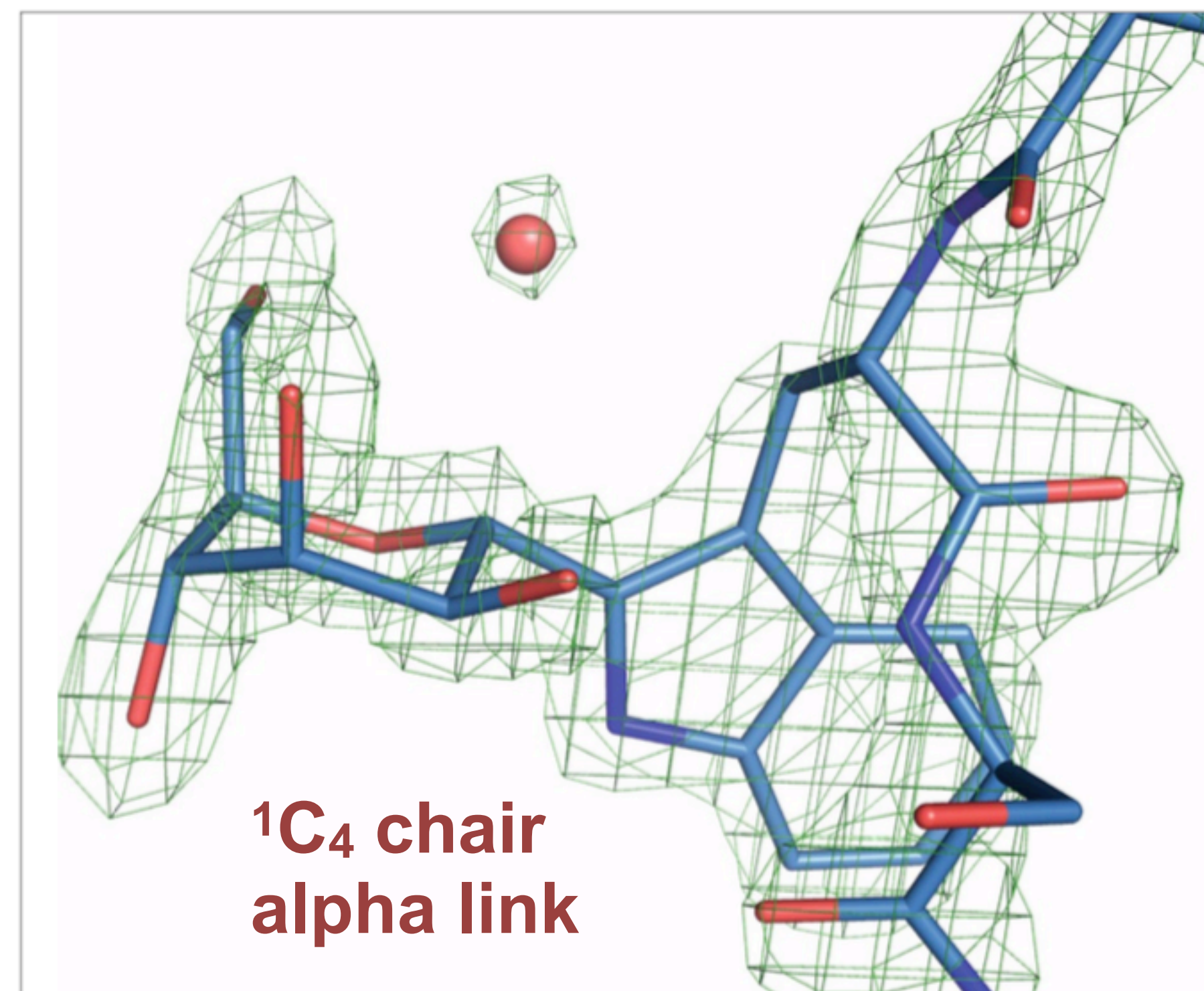
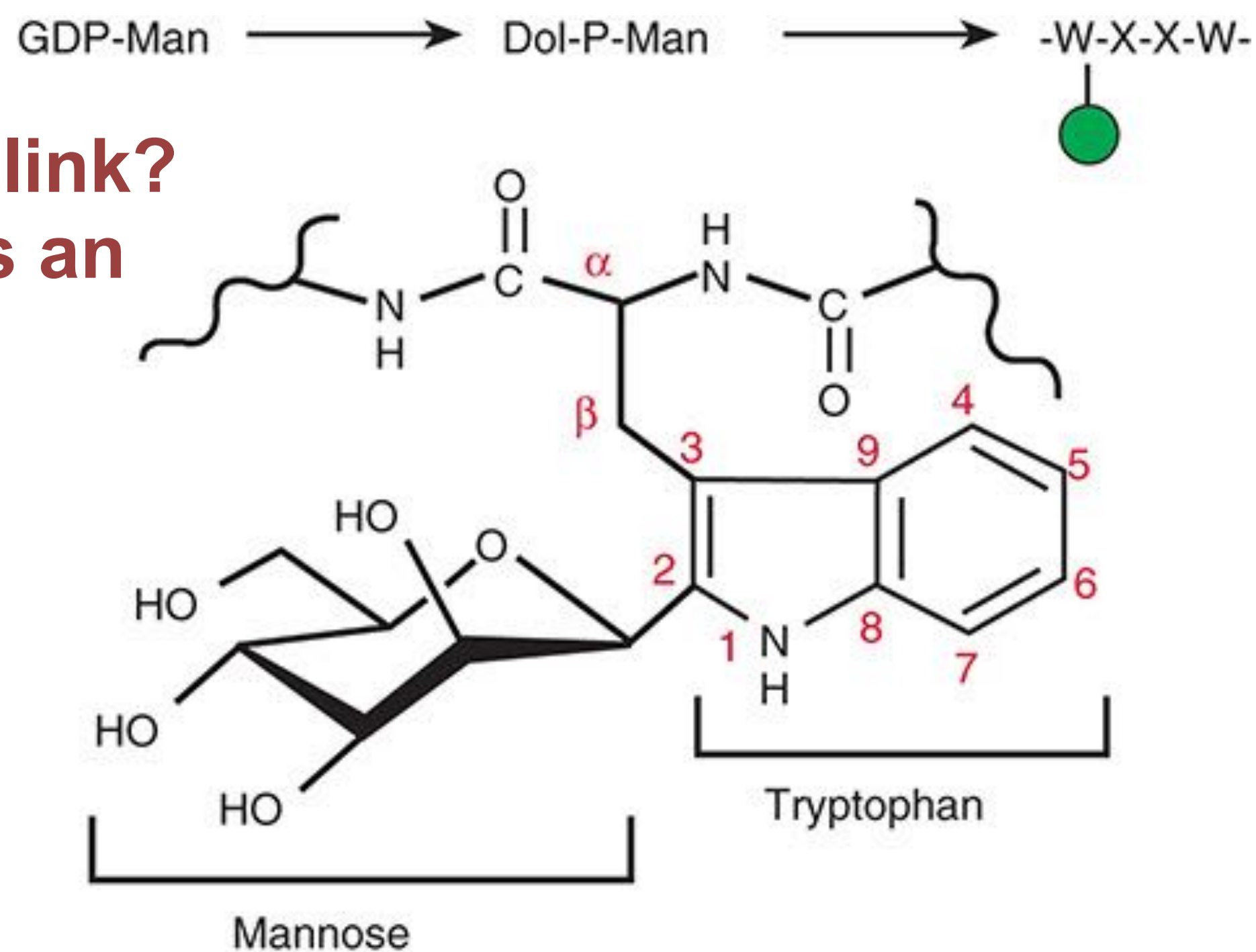
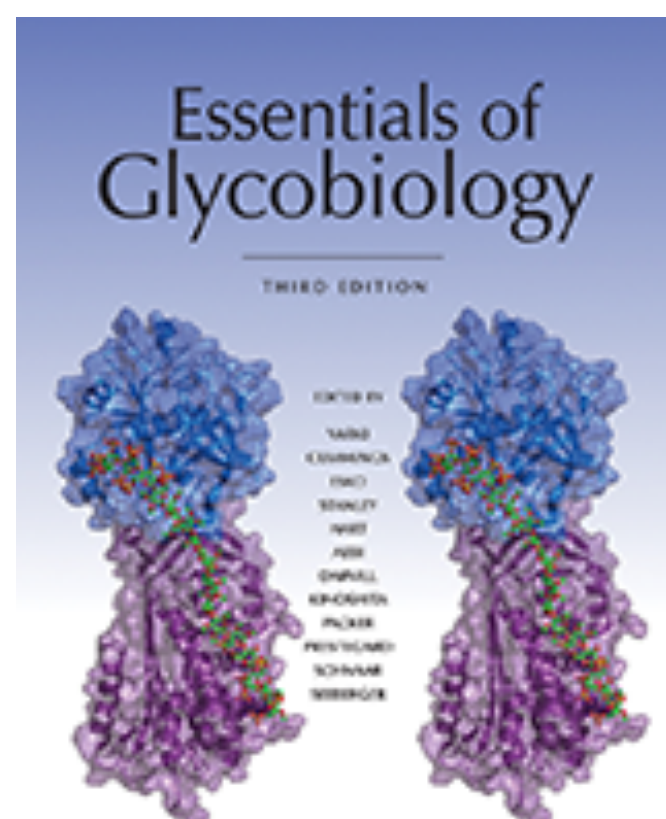


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**$^4C_1$  chair, beta link?  
Enzyme makes an  
alpha link...**

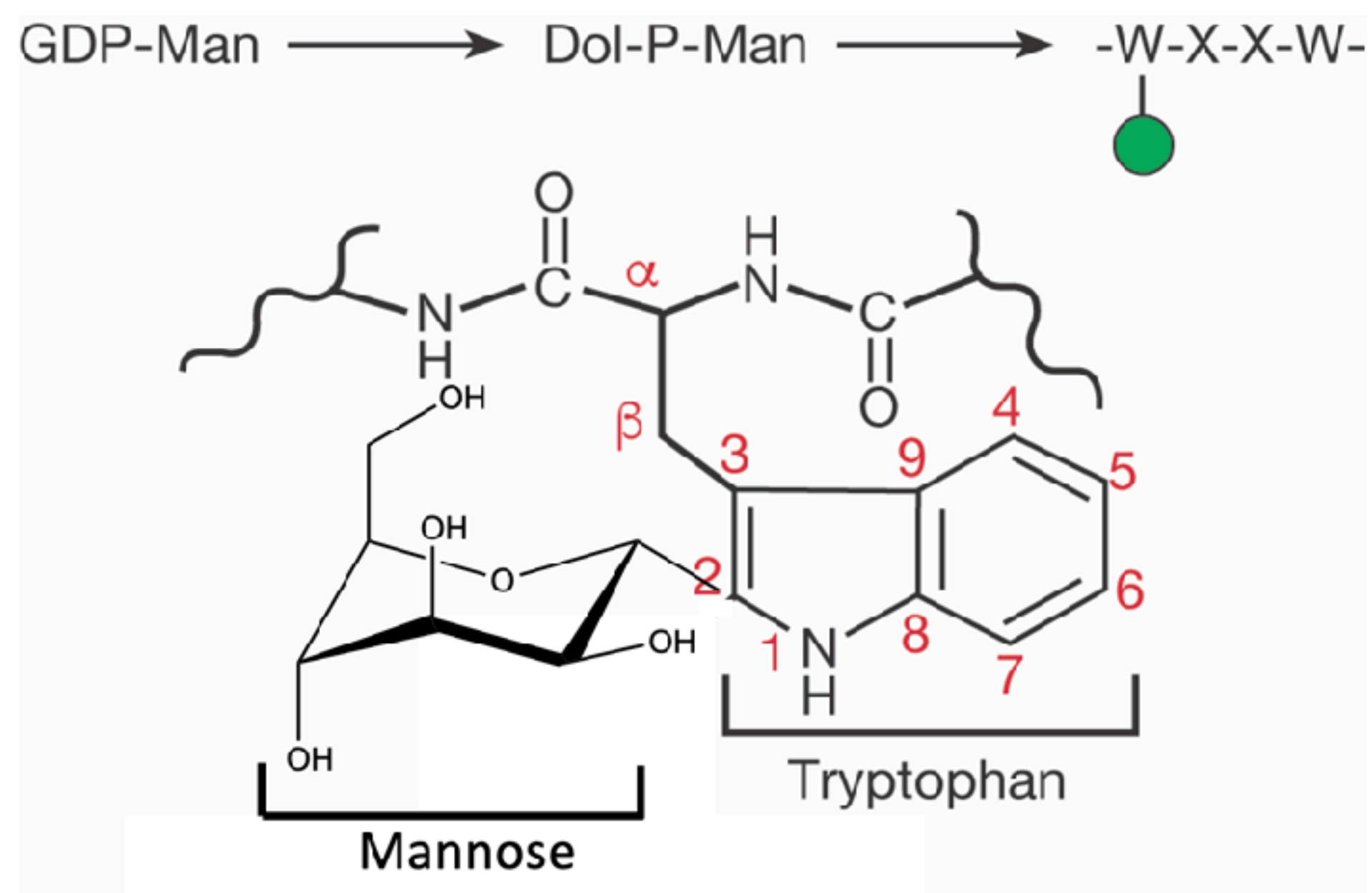
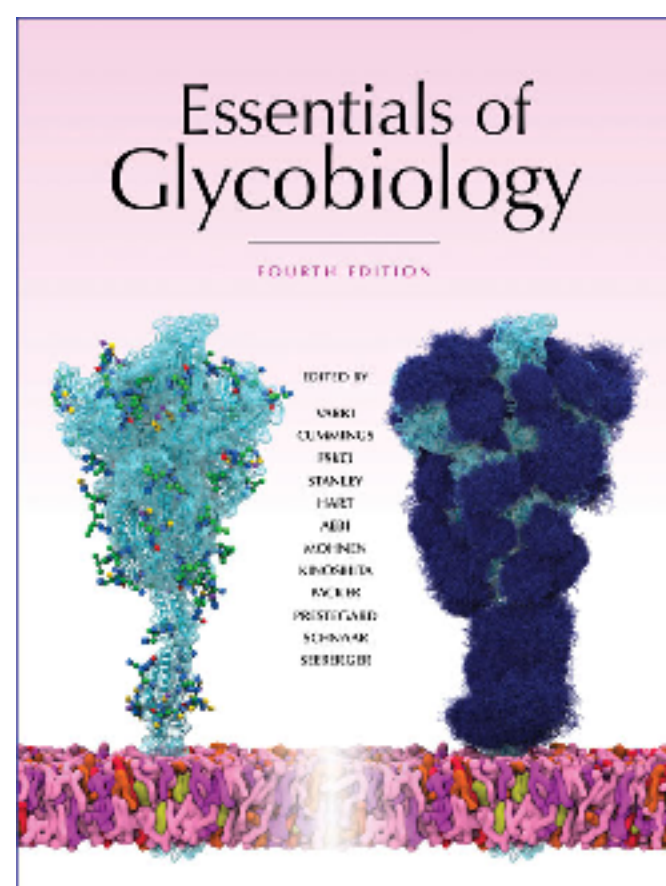


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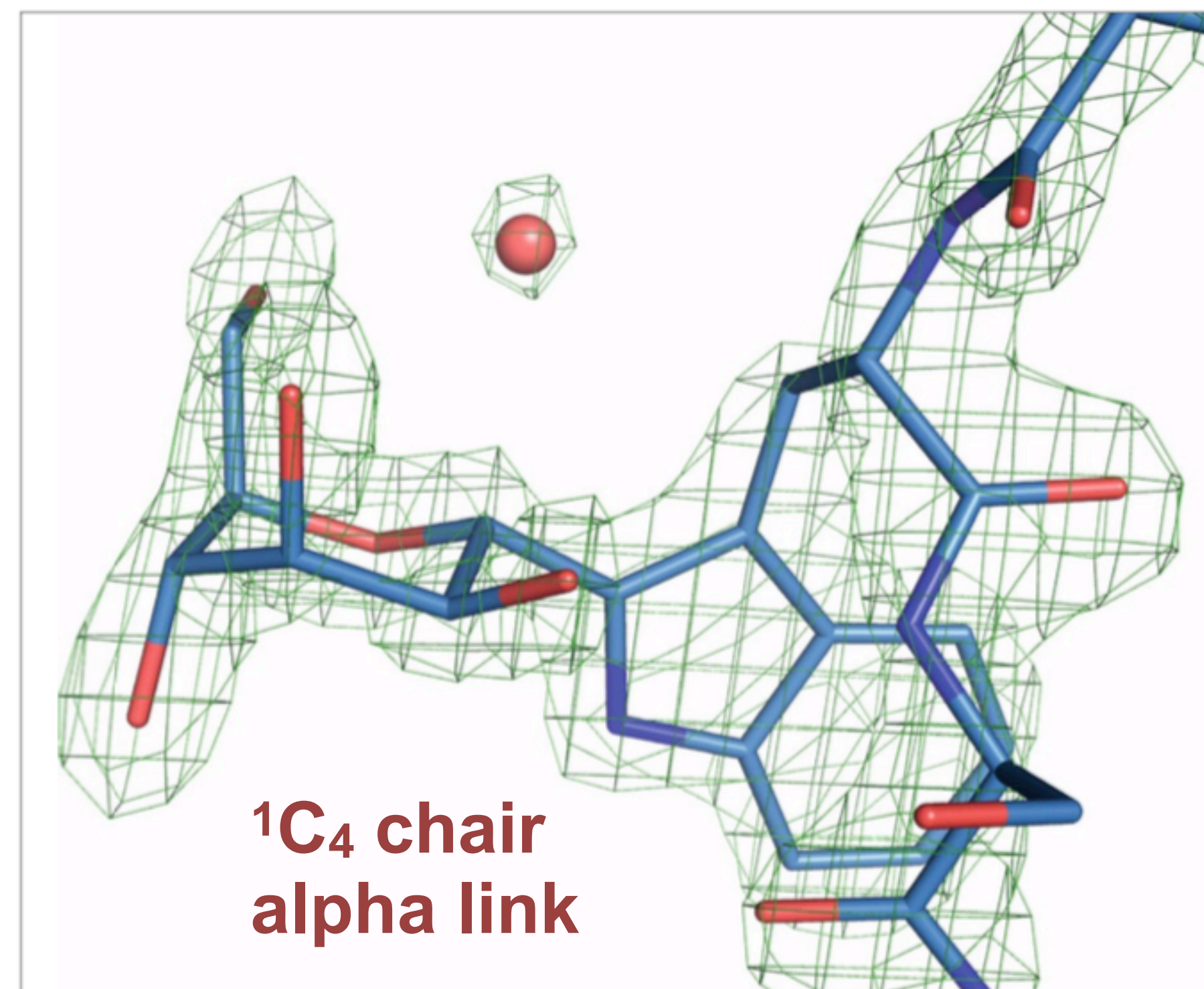
**PDB 6PLH, omit mFo-DFc map at  $1.5\sigma$ ,  $1.6 \text{ \AA}$  data**  
*John, Jarva, Shah, Mao, Chappaz, Birkinshaw, Czabotar, Lo, Scott & Goddard-Borger, 2021,  
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**<sup>1</sup>C<sub>4</sub> chair  
alpha link**



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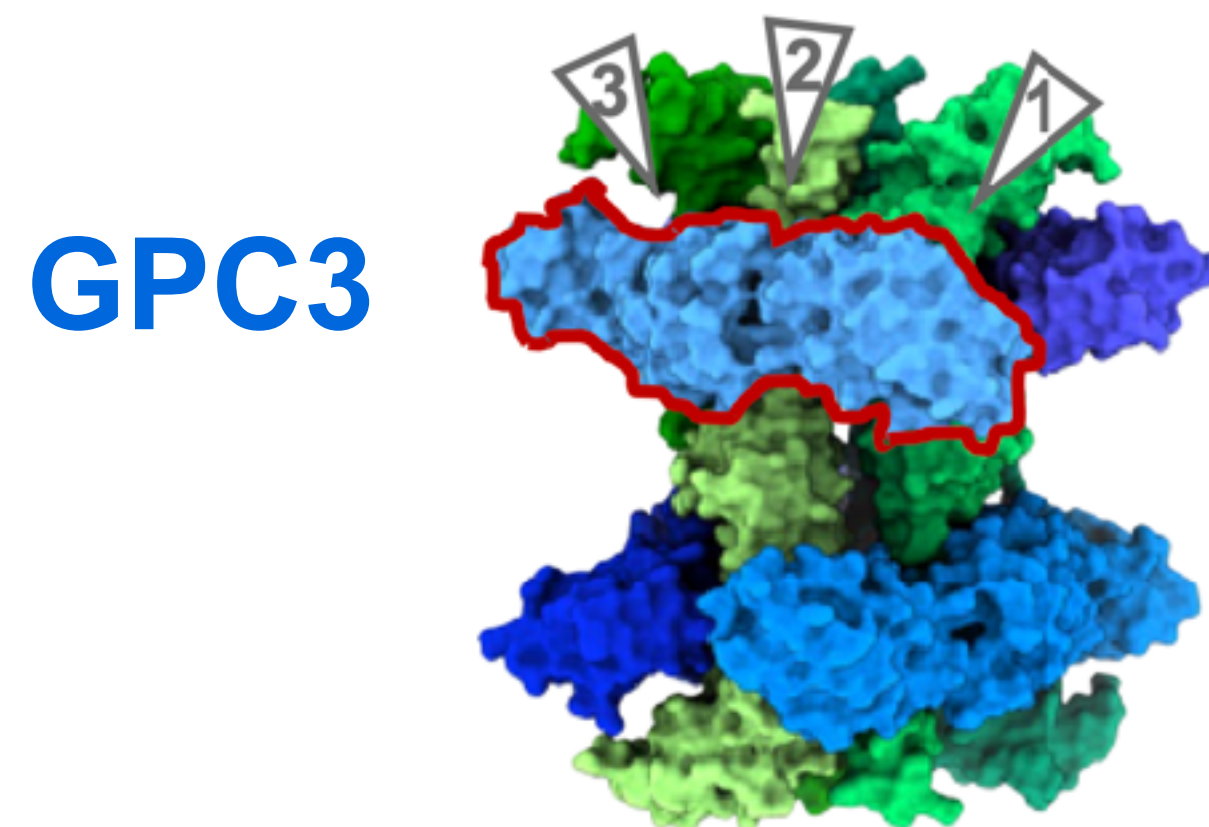
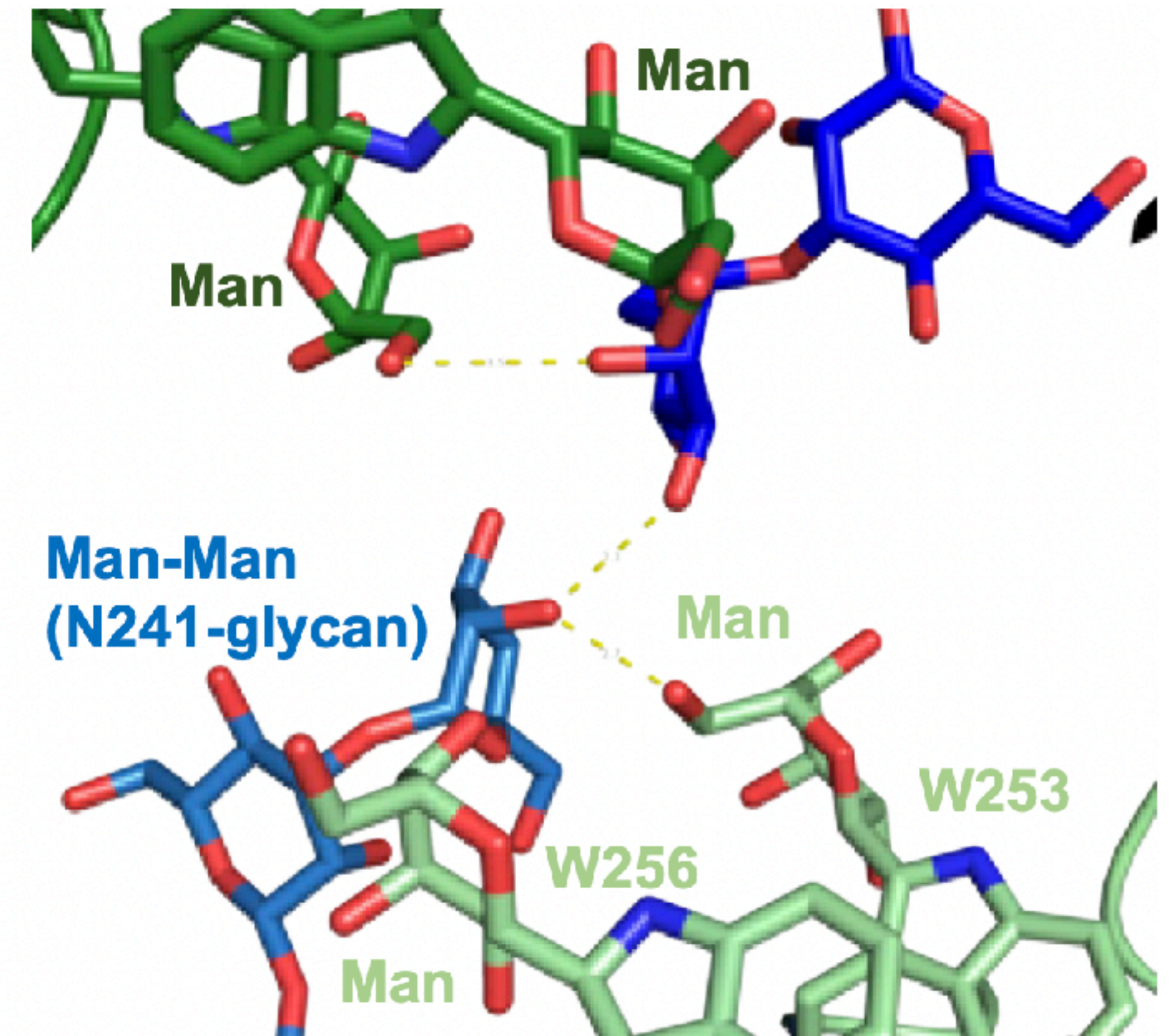
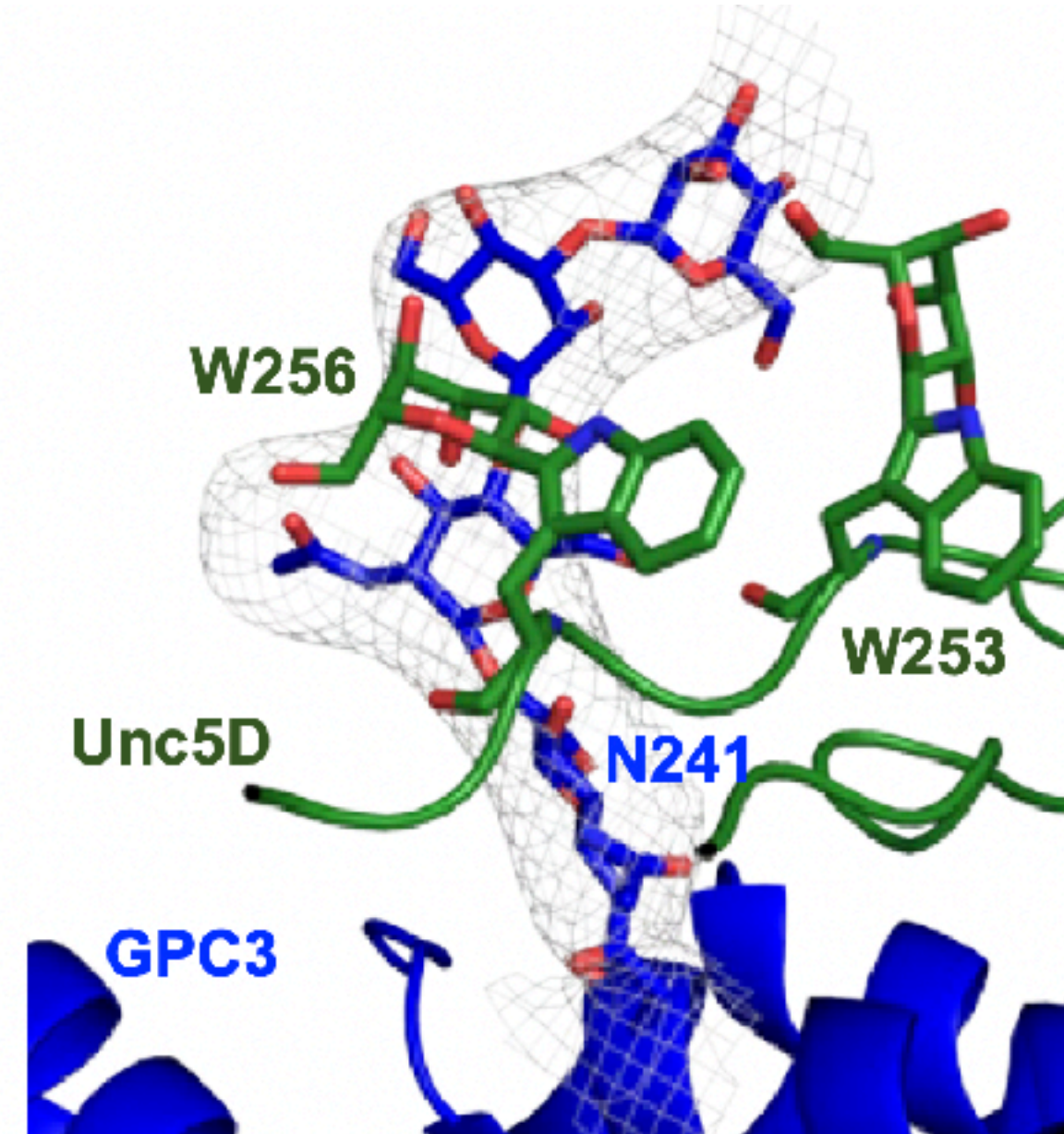
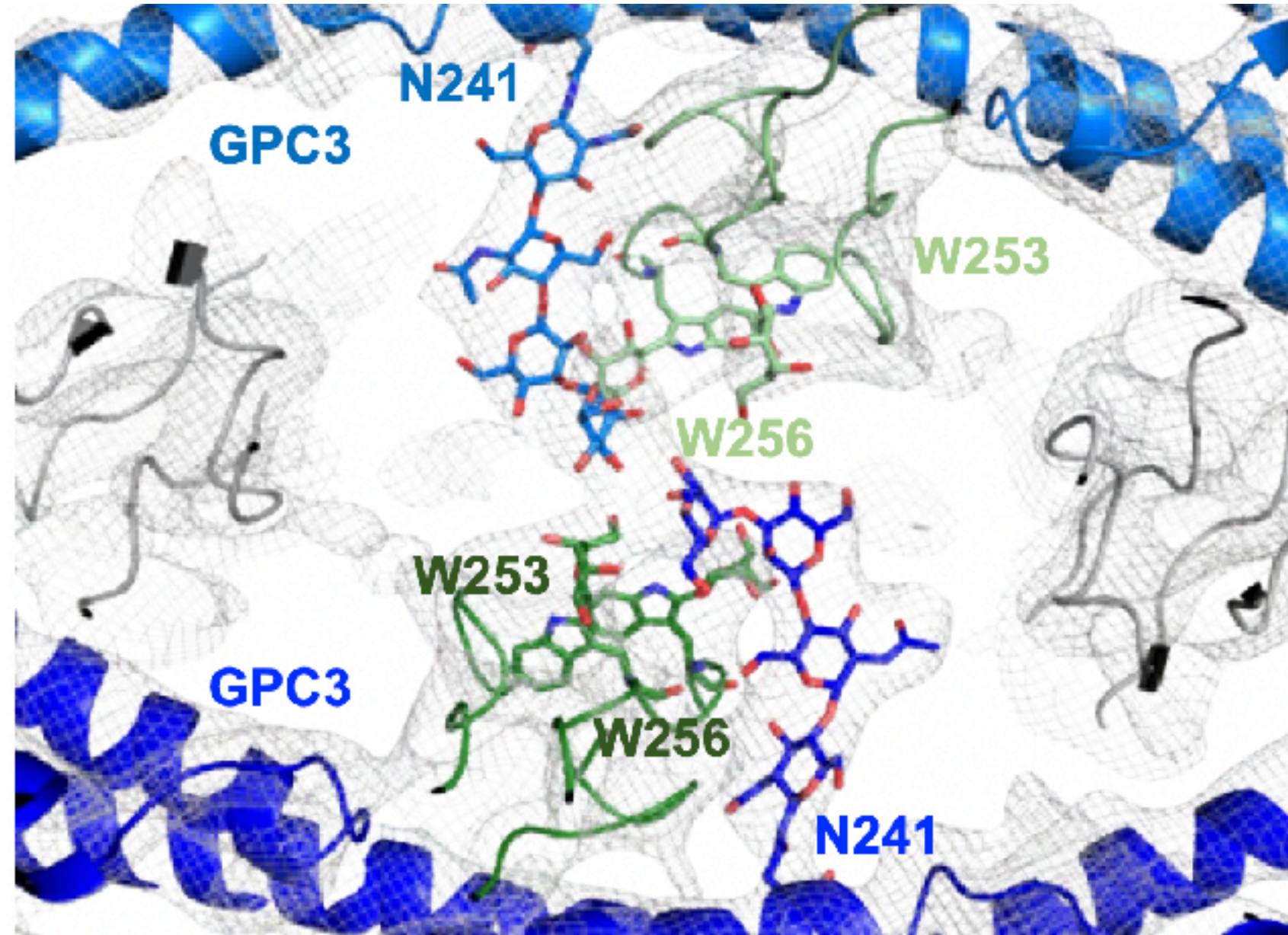


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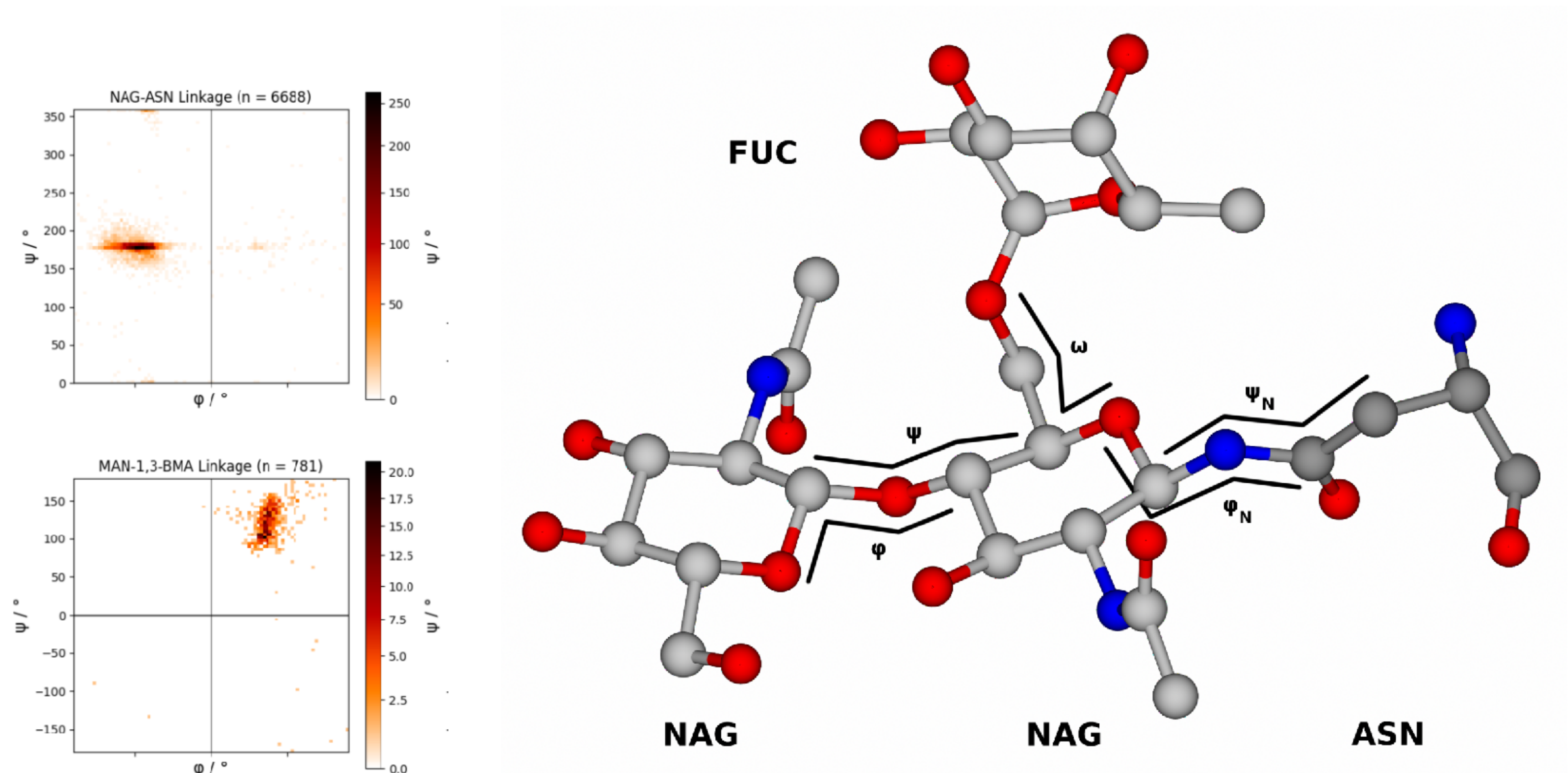
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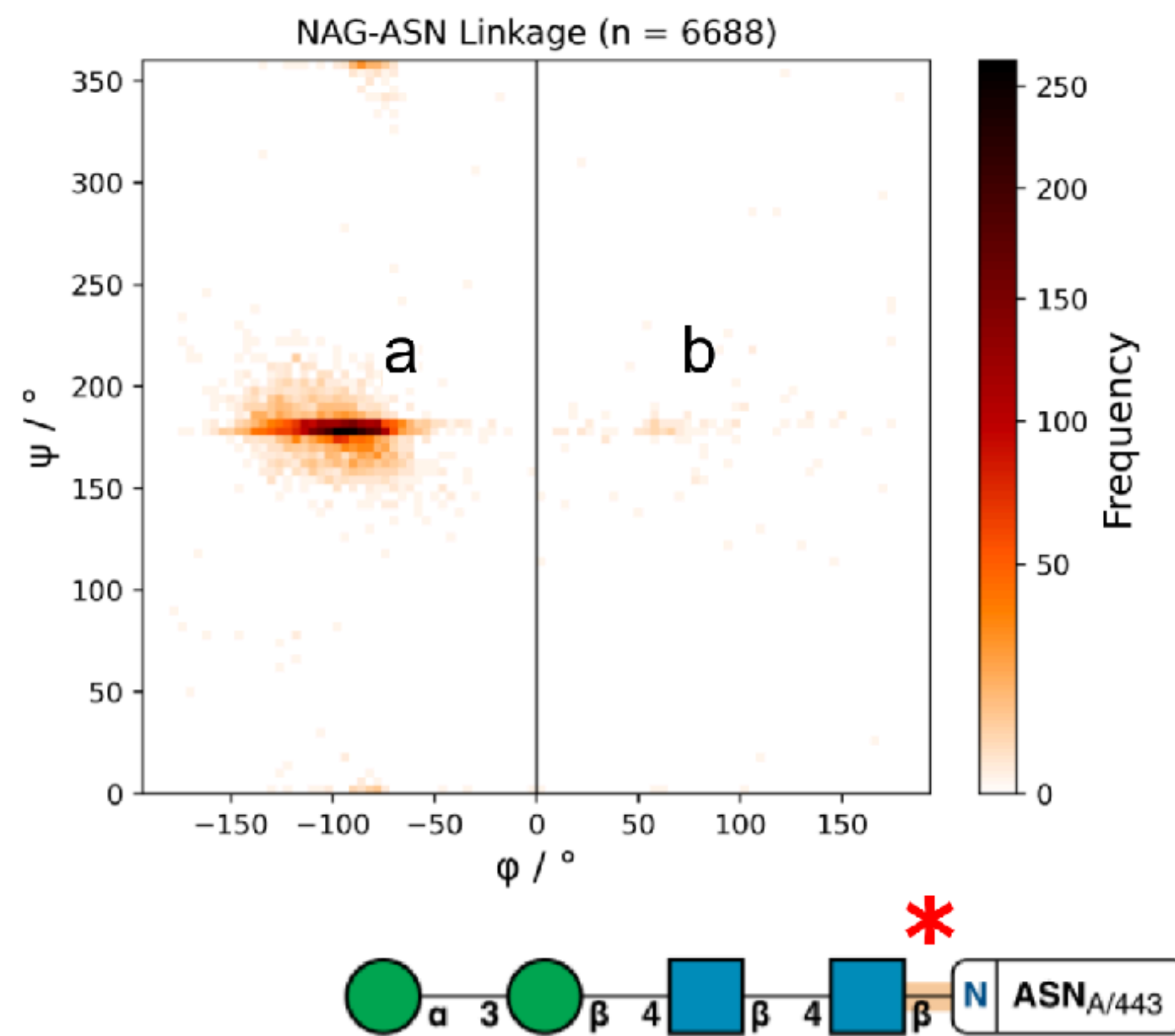
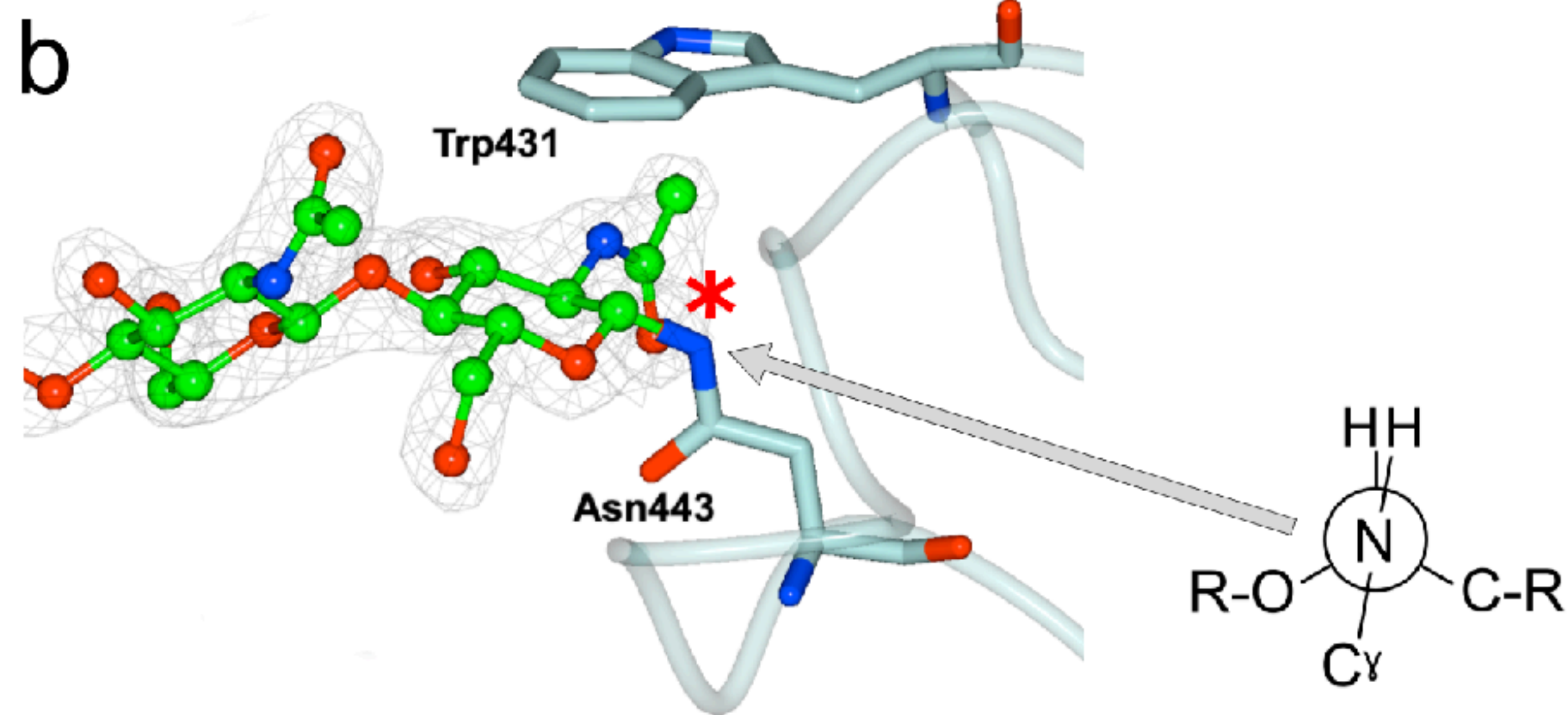
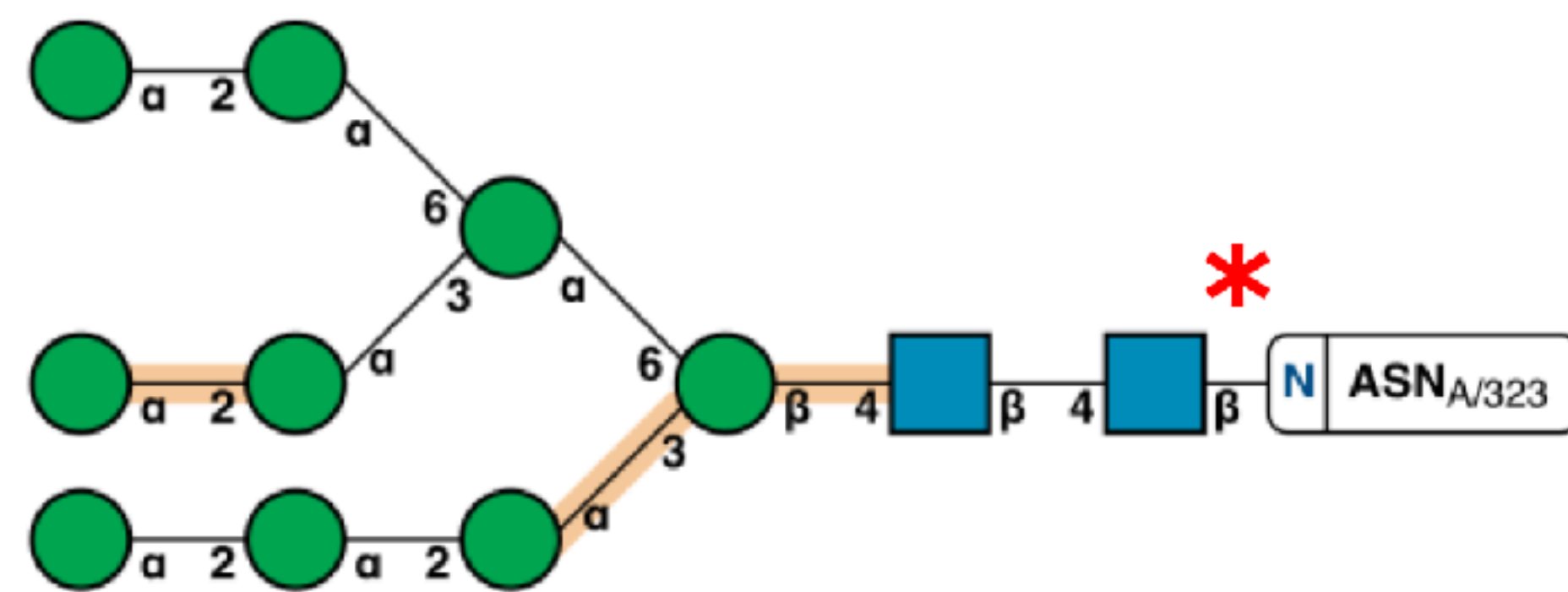
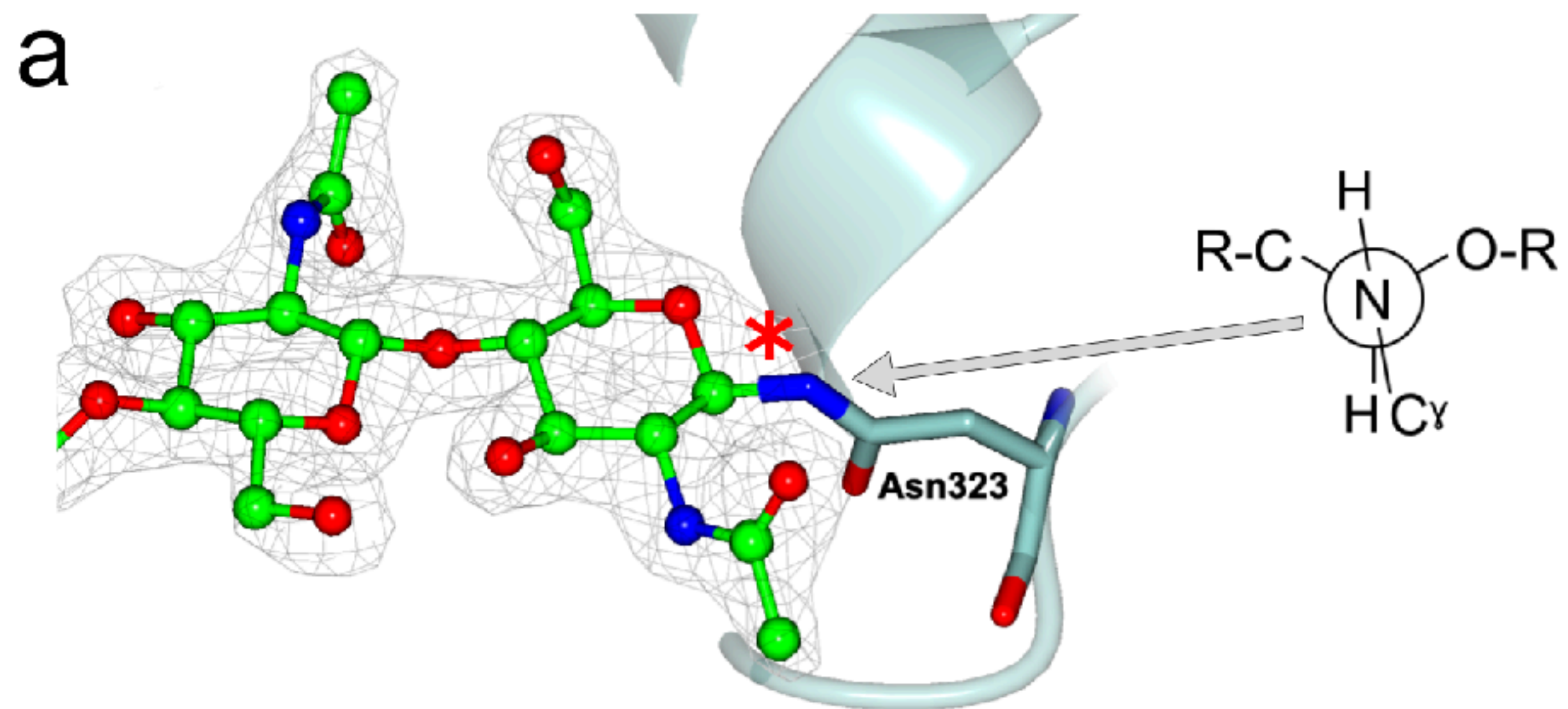
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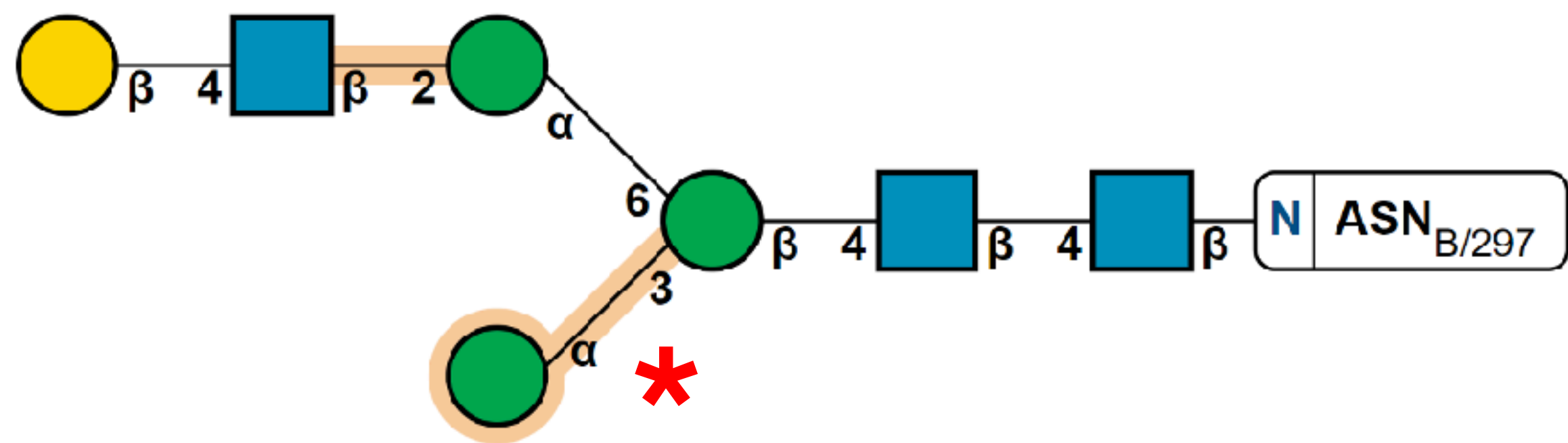
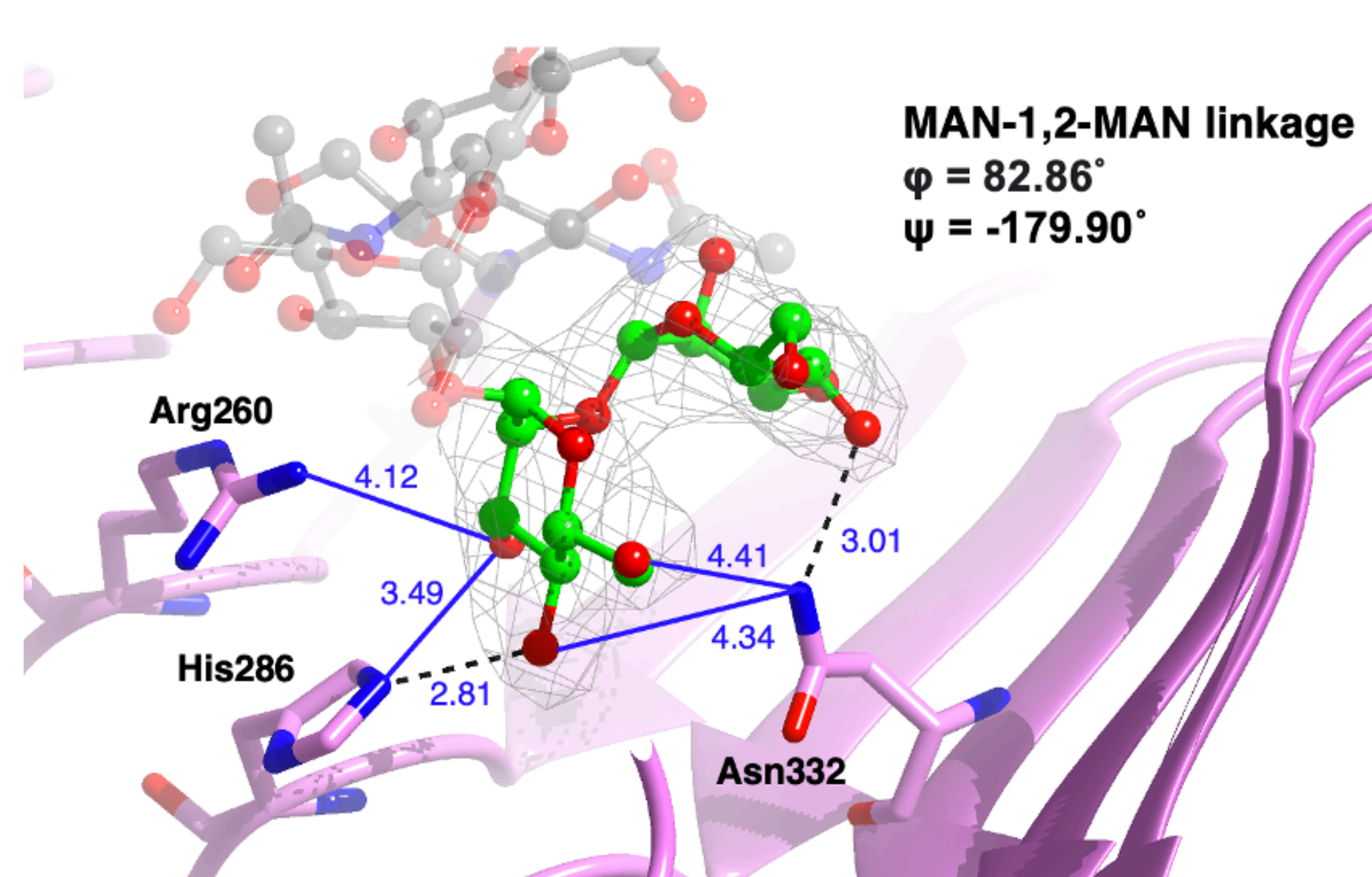
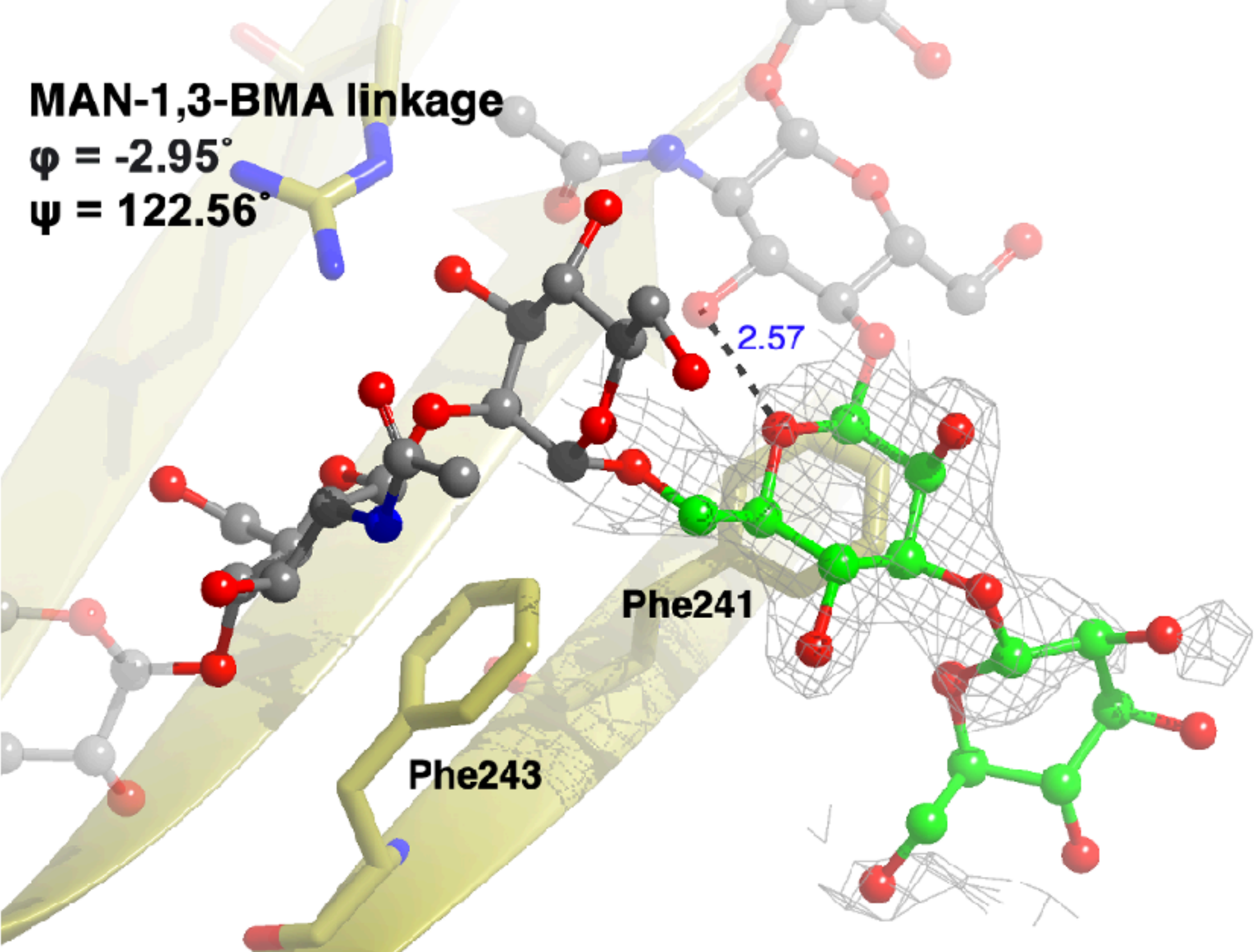
# Support for C-mannosylation (MKV)

- **Privateer MKV (CCP4 8.0 via update)**
  - checks that mannopyranose ring is  ${}^1C_4$
  - makes sure linkage is alpha, shouts if it isn't
- For refinement at **low resolution with refmac5**
  - External torsion restraints for link and  ${}^1C_4$  conformation
  - Creates modified linkage dictionary to impose torsions for  ${}^1C_4$  conformation on the mannose

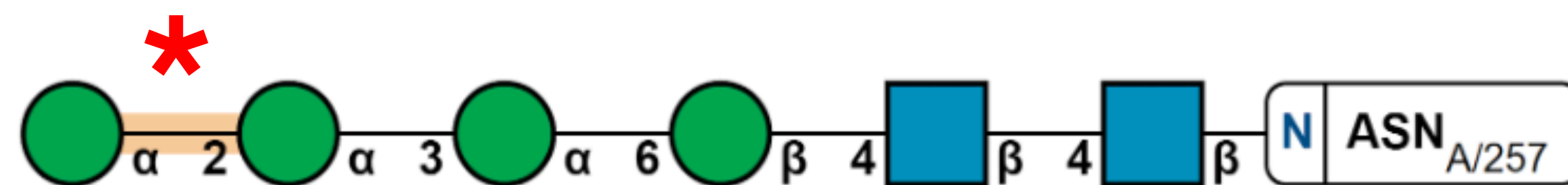
# Analysis of linkage torsions (MKV)





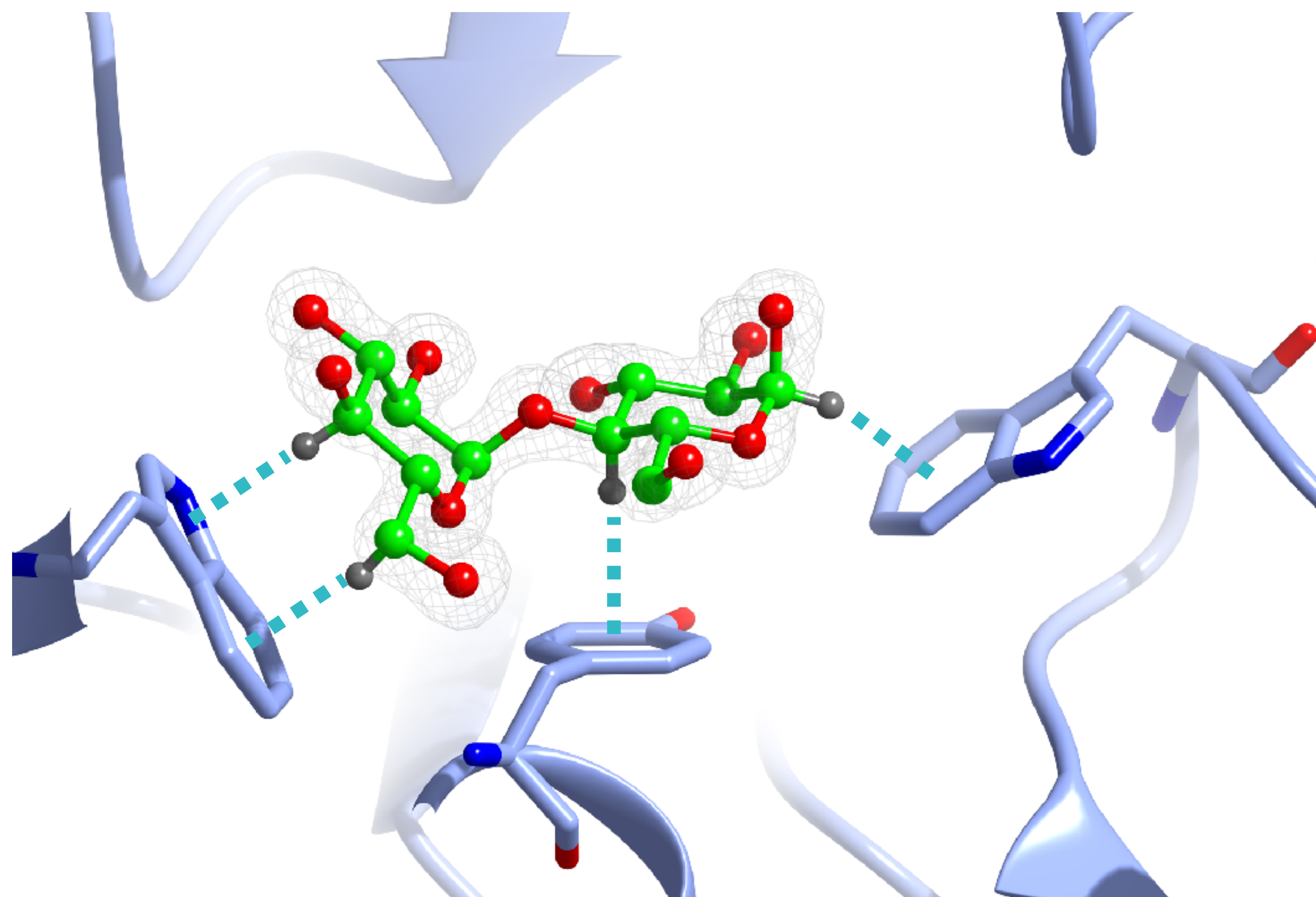
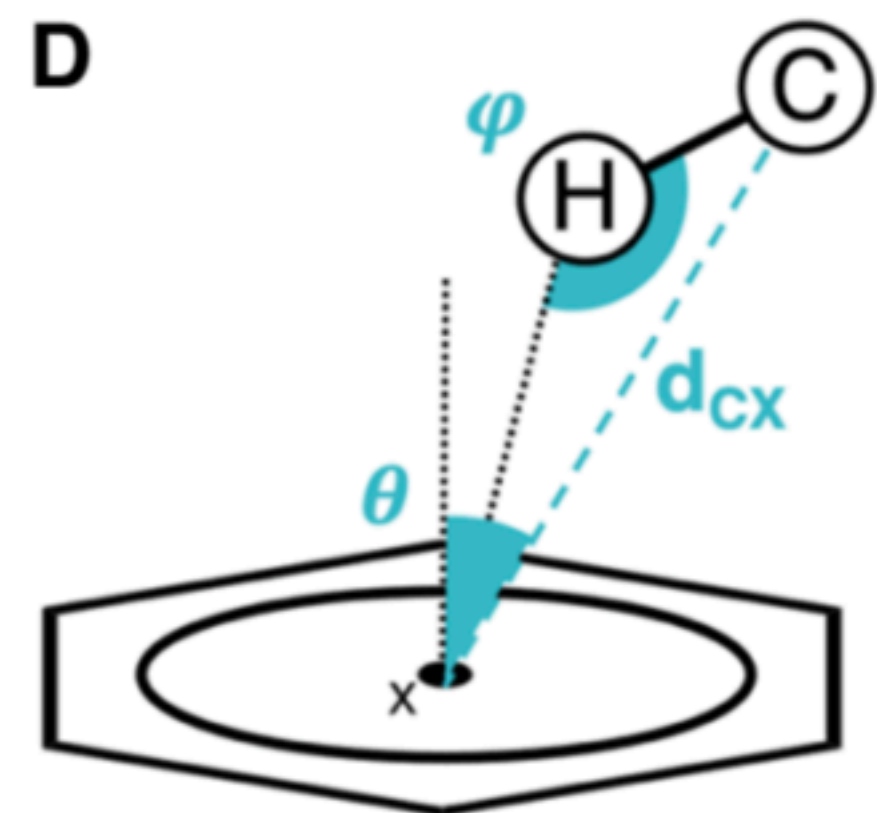
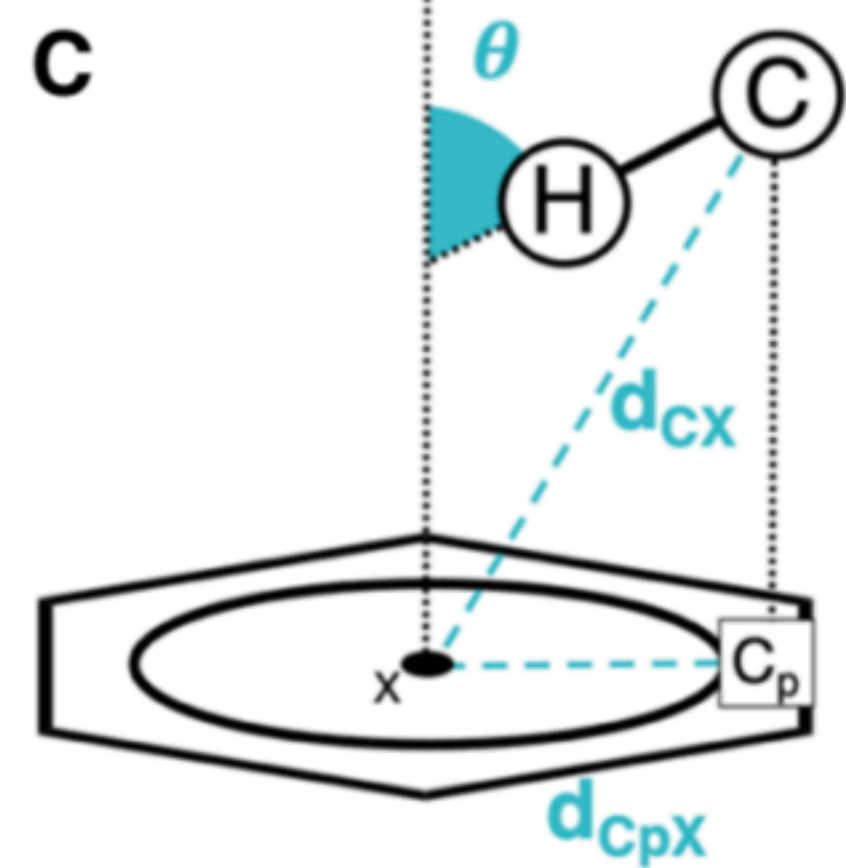
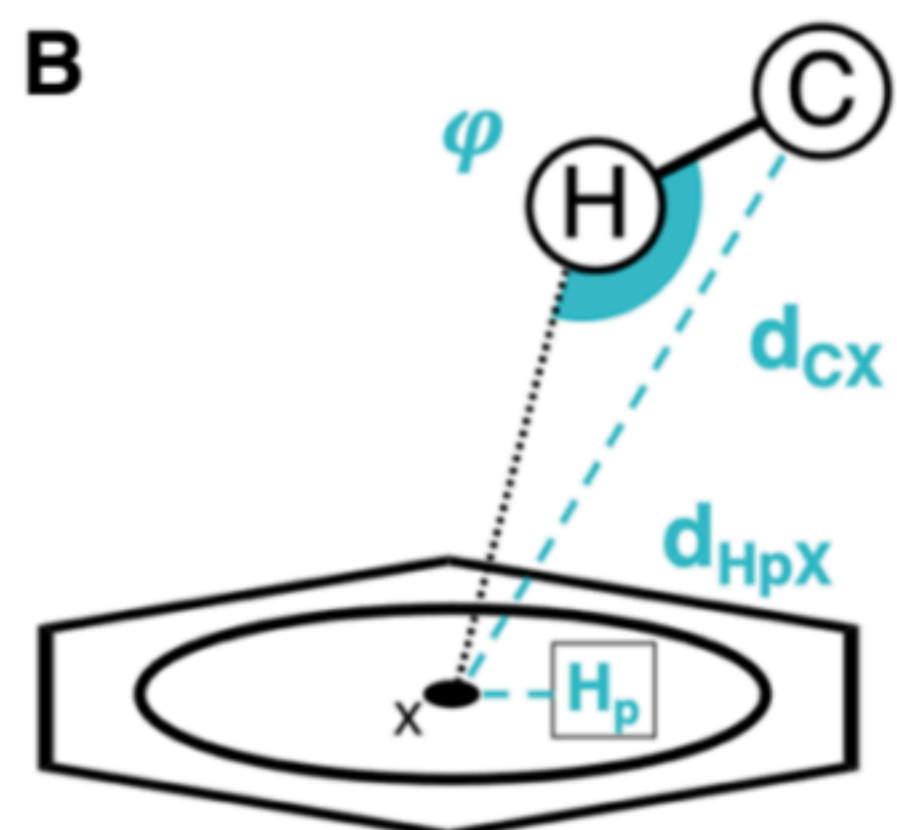
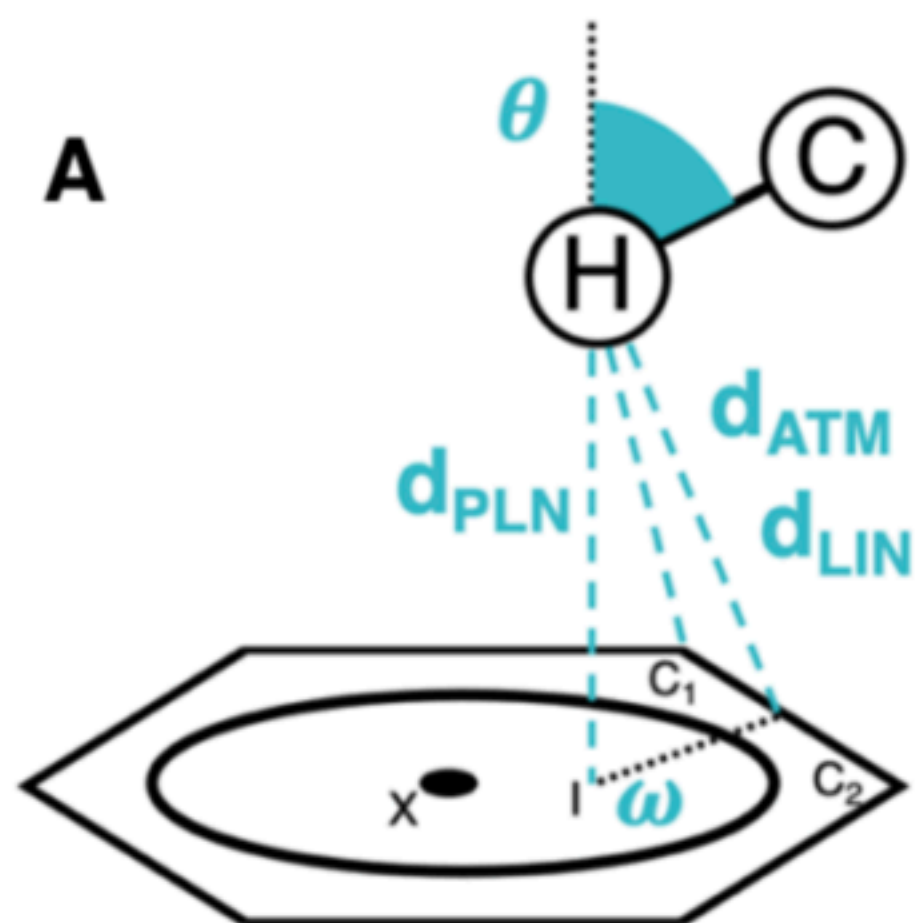


**Anomaly!**



**Well supported by map and interactions**

# Detection of HX-Pi interactions

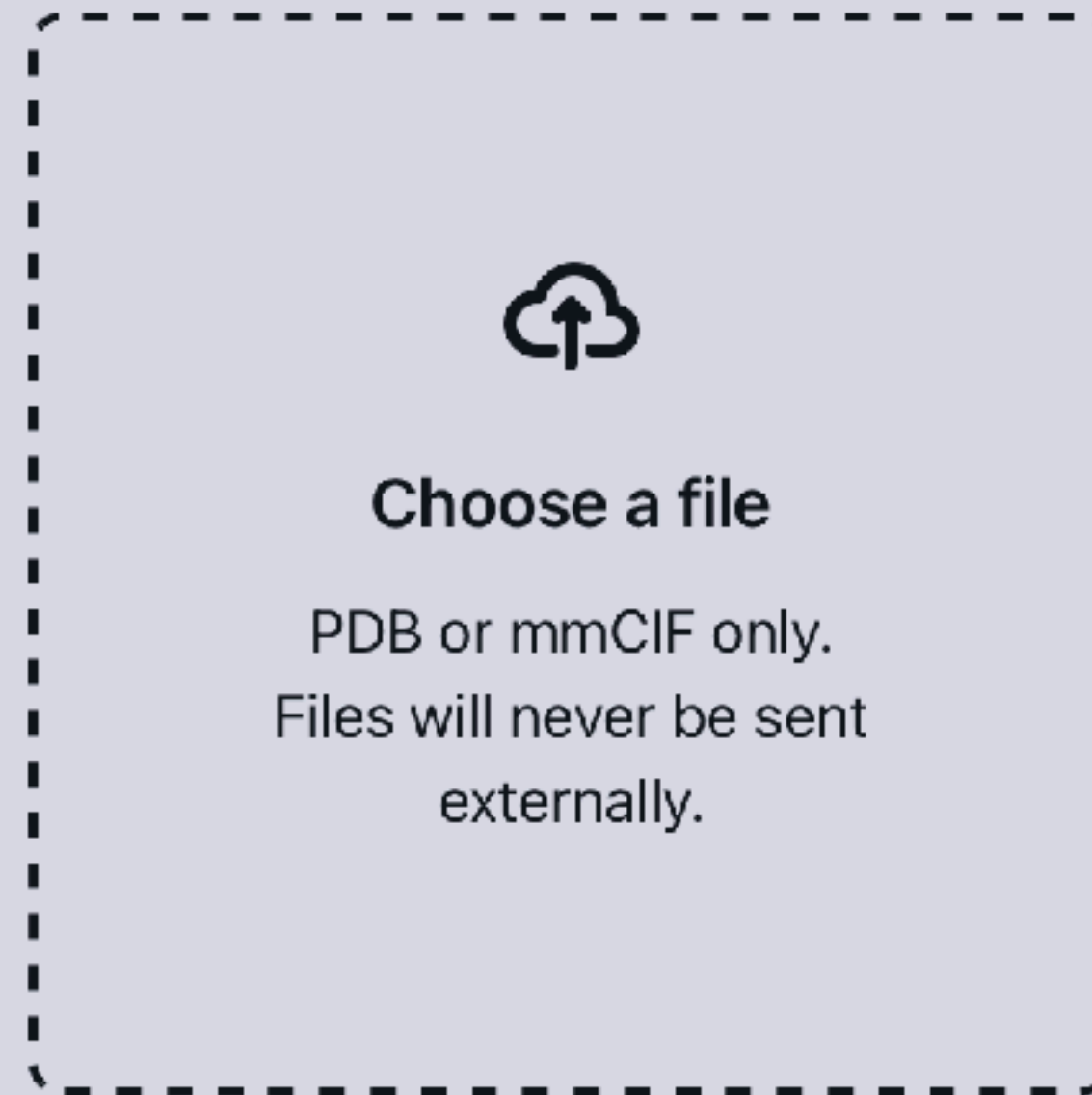




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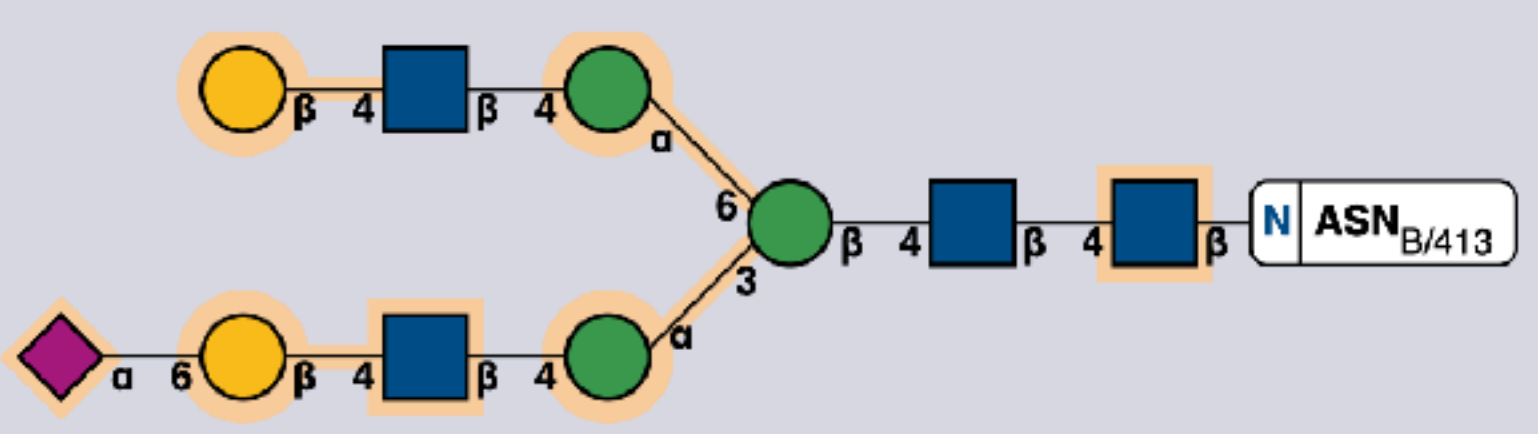
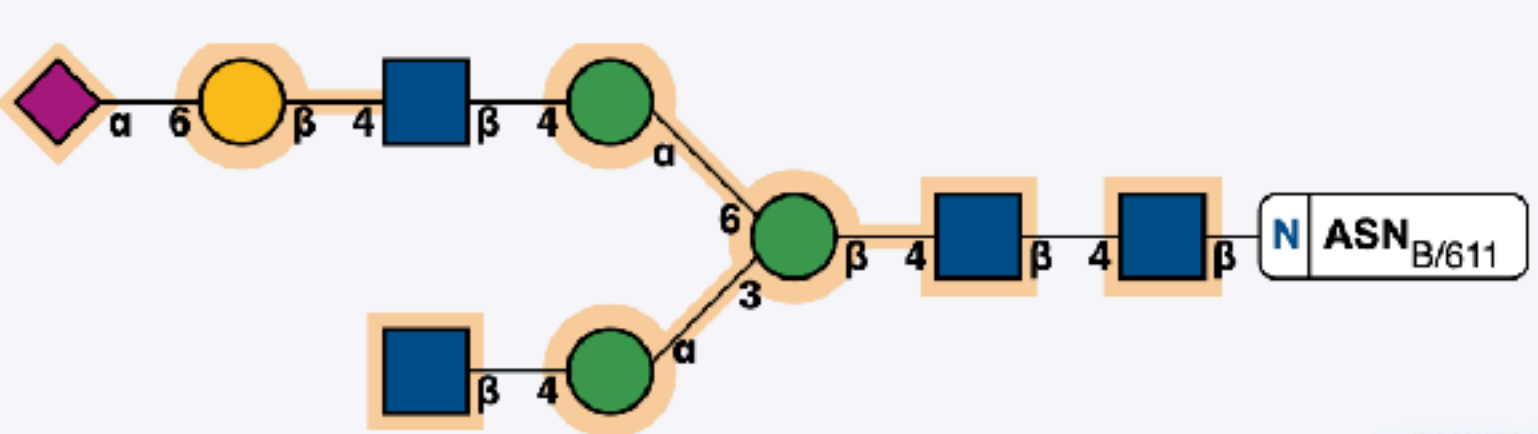


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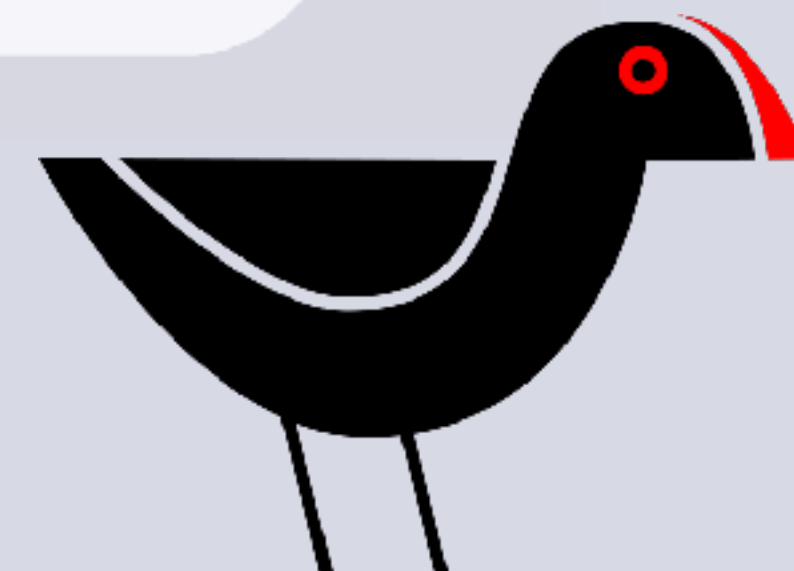
Detected 2 Glycans in 3v8x.pdb

Please test it!  
We need  
feedback :)

Chain	ID	SNFG	GlytoucanID
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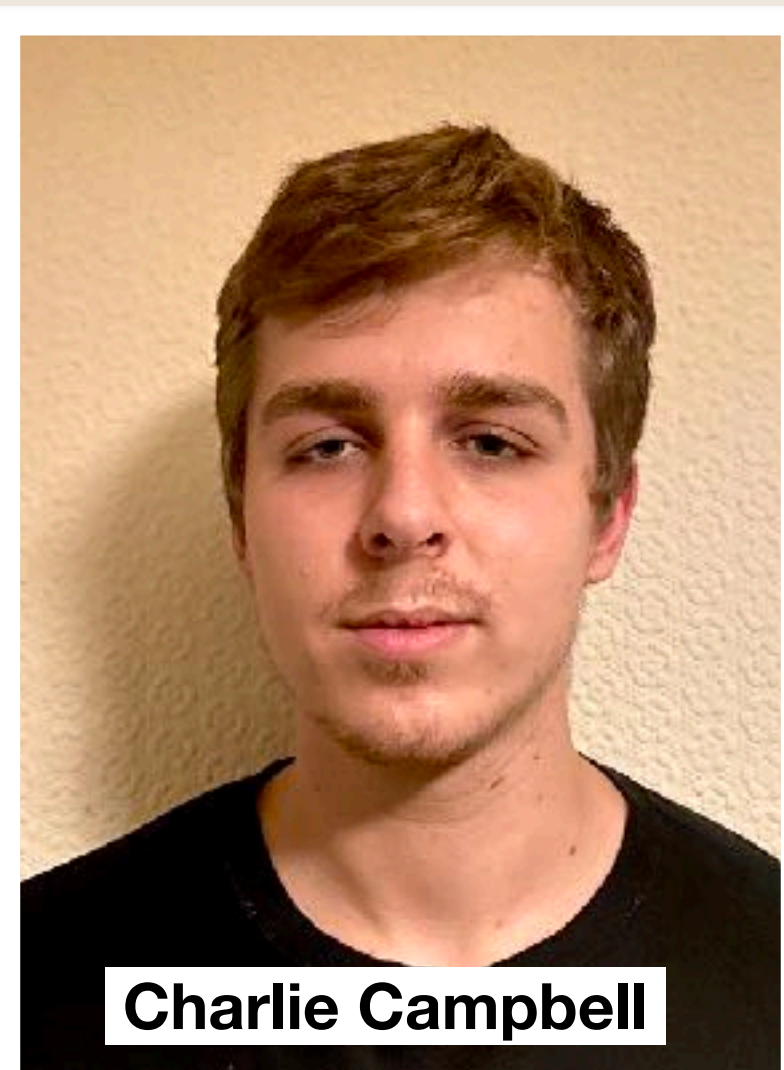


# Conclusions

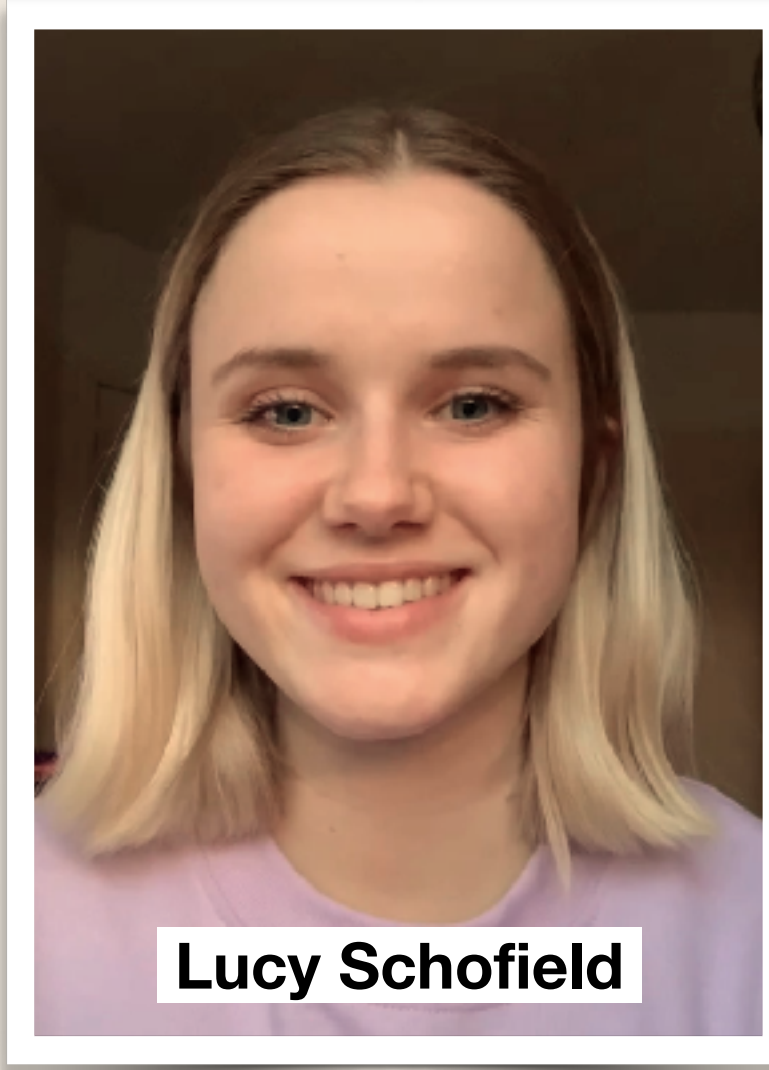
- **Co- vs Post-translational:** little difference from structural perspective
- **Glycan composition**
  - Always make sure your glycans **match biosynthetic pathways**
  - Privateer will check your glycans against glycomics data and suggest **alternatives** if there are inconsistencies
- **Ring conformation**
  - High-energy puckers are **almost never true**
  - These are usually the result of **modelling errors** or **refinement against poor density**, and need to be corrected
- **Glycosidic link torsions**
  - Modelling errors may force links into surprising conformations
  - Not all standout conformations are wrong – **check interactions!**



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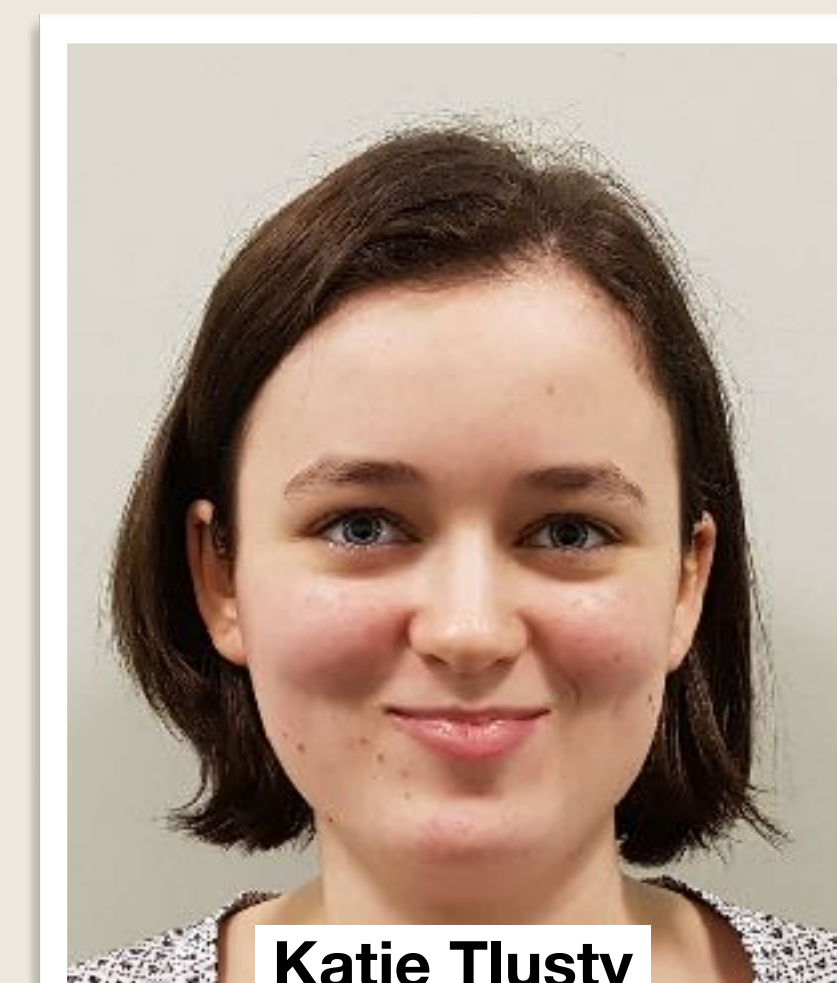
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