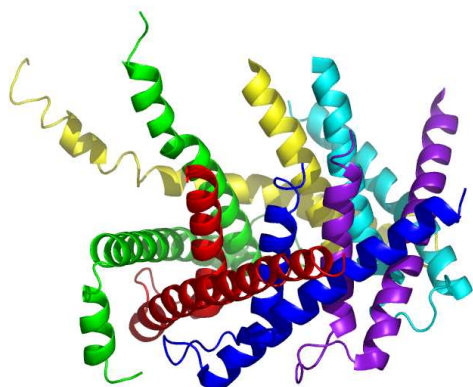


# 2bsk

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## 1 INTRODUCTION

From the original Protein Data Bank entry (PDB id 2bsk):

**Title:** Crystal structure of the tim9 tim10 hexameric complex

**Compound:** Mol id: 1; molecule: mitochondrial import inner membrane translocase subunit tim9 a; chain: a, c, e; engineered: yes; mol id: 2; molecule: mitochondrial import inner membrane translocase subunit tim10; chain: b, d, f; engineered: yes

**Organism, scientific name:** Homo Sapiens;

2bsk contains unique chains 2bskD (90 residues) and 2bskC (79 residues) 2bskF and 2bskB are homologues of chain 2bskD. 2bskA and 2bskE are homologues of chain 2bskC.

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## 2 CHAIN 2BSKD

### 2.1 Q5BKD3 overview

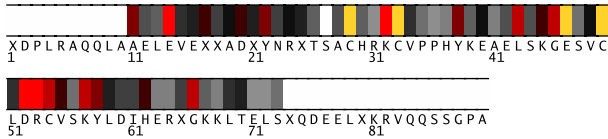
From SwissProt, id Q5BKD3, 78% identical to 2bskD:

**Description:** Translocase of inner mitochondrial membrane 10 homolog.

**Organism, scientific name:** Rattus norvegicus (Rat).

**Taxonomy:** Eukaryota; Metazoa; Chordata; Craniata; Vertebrata; Euteleostomi; Mammalia; Eutheria; Euarchontoglires; Glires; Rodentia; Sciurognathi; Muridae; Murinae; Rattus.

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**Fig. 1.** Residues 1-90 in 2bskD colored by their relative importance. (See Appendix, Fig.15, for the coloring scheme.)

## 2.2 Multiple sequence alignment for 2bskD

For the chain 2bskD, the alignment 2bskD.msf (attached) with 69 sequences was used. The alignment was downloaded from the HSSP database, and fragments shorter than 75% of the query as well as duplicate sequences were removed. It can be found in the attachment to this report, under the name of 2bskD.msf. Its statistics, from the *alostat* program are the following:

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Format:                MSF
Number of sequences:   69
Total number of residues: 4980
Smallest:              49
Largest:               90
Average length:        72.2
Alignment length:      90
Average identity:      45%
Most related pair:     99%
Most unrelated pair:   20%
Most distant seq:     36%

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Furthermore, 4% of residues show as conserved in this alignment.

The alignment consists of 31% eukaryotic ( 2% vertebrata, 2% arthropoda, 14% fungi, 4% plantae) sequences. (Descriptions of some sequences were not readily available.) The file containing the sequence descriptions can be found in the attachment, under the name 2bskD.descr.

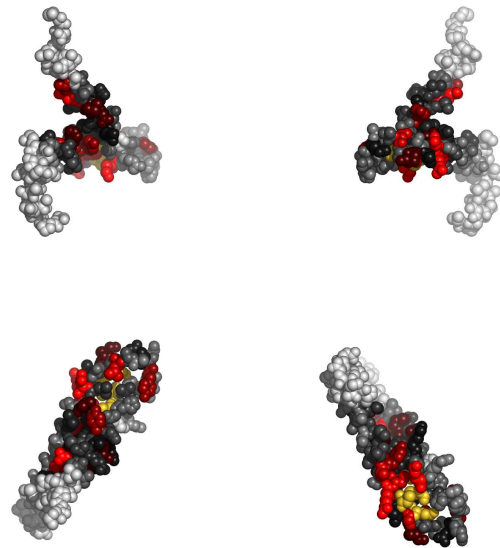
## 2.3 Residue ranking in 2bskD

The 2bskD sequence is shown in Fig. 1, with each residue colored according to its estimated importance. The full listing of residues in 2bskD can be found in the file called 2bskD.ranks\_sorted in the attachment.

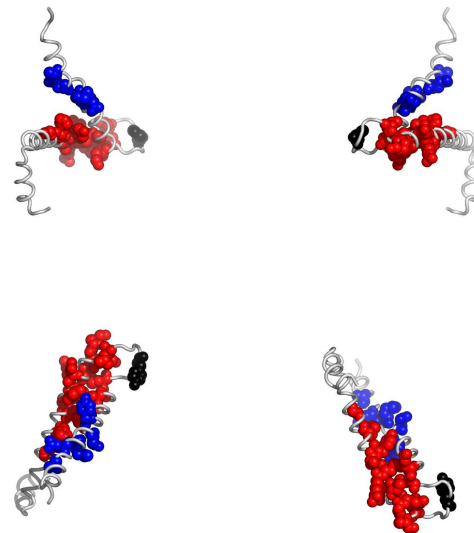
## 2.4 Top ranking residues in 2bskD and their position on the structure

In the following we consider residues ranking among top 24% of residues in the protein (the closest this analysis allows us to get to 25%). Figure 2 shows residues in 2bskD colored by their importance: bright red and yellow indicate more conserved/important residues (see Appendix for the coloring scheme). A Pymol script for producing this figure can be found in the attachment.

**2.4.1 Clustering of residues at 24% coverage.** Fig. 3 shows the top 24% of all residues, this time colored according to clusters they belong to. The clusters in Fig.3 are composed of the residues listed in Table 1.



**Fig. 2.** Residues in 2bskD, colored by their relative importance. Clockwise: front, back, top and bottom views.



**Fig. 3.** Residues in 2bskD, colored according to the cluster they belong to: red, followed by blue and yellow are the largest clusters (see Appendix for the coloring scheme). Clockwise: front, back, top and bottom views. The corresponding Pymol script is attached.

Table 1.		
cluster color	size	member residues
<i>continued in next column</i>		

cluster color	size	member residues
red	16	29, 32, 33, 43, 45, 46, 47, 50, 52, 53, 54, 55, 57, 58, 62, 66
blue	5	11, 14, 17, 20, 22

**Table 1.** Clusters of top ranking residues in 2bskD.

#### 2.4.2 Overlap with known functional surfaces at 24% coverage.

The name of the ligand is composed of the source PDB identifier and the heteroatom name used in that file.

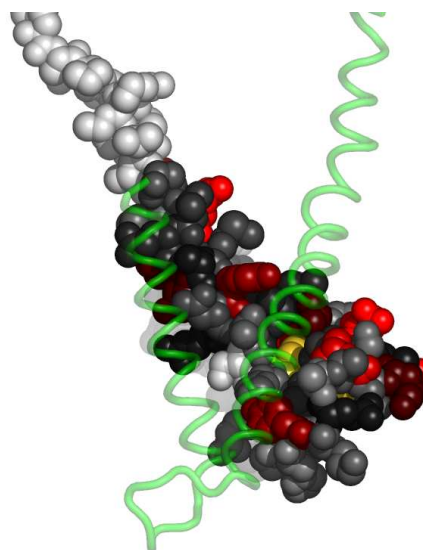
**Interface with 2bskC.** Table 2 lists the top 24% of residues at the interface with 2bskC. The following table (Table 3) suggests possible disruptive replacements for these residues (see Section 4.6).

res	type	subst's (%)	cvg	noc/ bb	dist (Å)	antn
29	C	C(100)	0.04	2/1	4.97	S-S
47	E	E(100)	0.04	11/0	2.70	
52	D	D(98)	0.06	33/2	2.47	
		I(1)				
43	L	L(92)	0.13	30/6	3.35	
		V(2)				
		I(2)				
		M(1)				
38	Y	Y(81)	0.17	85/11	2.85	
		V(8)				
		F(4)				
		H(4)				
		A(1)				
22	Y	F(59)	0.19	36/0	3.14	
		Y(31)				
		M(1)				
		L(2)				
		I(1)				
		H(2)				
55	V	A(5)	0.21	17/0	4.04	
		V(85)				
		T(2)				
		.(2)				
		S(1)				
		C(1)				

**Table 2.** The top 24% of residues in 2bskD at the interface with 2bskC. (Field names: res: residue number in the PDB entry; type: amino acid type; subst's: substitutions seen in the alignment; with the percentage of each type in the bracket; noc/ bb: number of contacts with the ligand, with the number of contacts realized through backbone atoms given in the bracket; dist: distance of closest approach to the ligand.)

res	type	disruptive mutations
29	C	(KER) (FQMWH) (NYLPI) (SVA)
47	E	(FWH) (YVCARG) (T) (SNKLPPI)
52	D	(R) (H) (FYW) (KCG)
43	L	(Y) (R) (H) (T)
38	Y	(K) (Q) (E) (M)
22	Y	(K) (Q) (E) (R)
55	V	(KR) (E) (Y) (Q)

**Table 3.** List of disruptive mutations for the top 24% of residues in 2bskD, that are at the interface with 2bskC.



**Fig. 4.** Residues in 2bskD, at the interface with 2bskC, colored by their relative importance. 2bskC is shown in backbone representation (See Appendix for the coloring scheme for the protein chain 2bskD.)

Figure 4 shows residues in 2bskD colored by their importance, at the interface with 2bskC.

**Interface with 2bskA.** Table 4 lists the top 24% of residues at the interface with 2bskA. The following table (Table 5) suggests possible disruptive replacements for these residues (see Section 4.6).

res	type	subst's (%)	cvg	noc/ bb	dist (Å)	antn
29	C	C(100)	0.04	1/0	4.89	S-S
33	C	C(100)	0.04	2/0	4.61	S-S
50	C	C(100)	0.04	5/2	4.32	S-S
52	D	D(98)	0.06	2/2	4.36	
		I(1)				

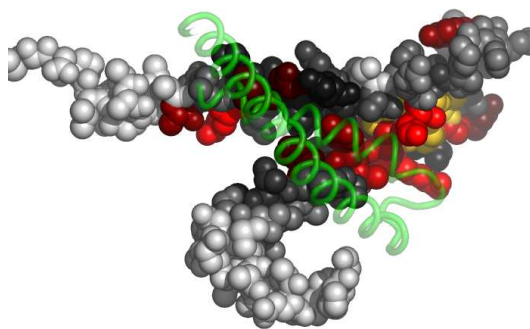
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res	type	subst's (%)	cvg	noc/ bb	dist (Å)	antn
32	K	K(98) R(1)	0.07	28/0	3.29	
53	R	R(97) K(1) S(1)	0.09	73/7	2.66	
54	C	C(97) . (2)	0.10	17/10	3.48	S-S
57	K	K(95) . (2) Q(1)	0.11	16/11	3.95	
66	G	S(17) G(76) . (4) V(1)	0.14	8/8	3.12	
58	Y	F(23) Y(72) . (2) I(1)	0.18	71/11	3.11	
17	X	L(10) M(50) Y(14) G(8) T(2) A(5) S(1) X(1) K(1) V(2)	0.22	19/5	2.98	
62	H	Q(5) N(39) H(40) T(8) S(1) . (2) V(1)	0.23	33/8	3.22	
20	D	D(73) E(11) G(4) K(1) A(2) F(1) T(2) S(1)	0.24	18/4	2.86	

**Table 4.** The top 24% of residues in 2bskD at the interface with 2bskA. (Field names: res: residue number in the PDB entry; type: amino acid type; substs: substitutions seen in the alignment; with the percentage of each type in the bracket; noc/bb: number of contacts with the ligand, with the number of contacts realized through backbone atoms given in the bracket; dist: distance of closest approach to the ligand.)

res	type	disruptive mutations
29	C	(KER)(FQMWHD)(NYLPI)(SVA)
33	C	(KER)(FQMWHD)(NYLPI)(SVA)
50	C	(KER)(FQMWHD)(NYLPI)(SVA)
52	D	(R)(H)(FYW)(KCG)
32	K	(Y)(T)(FW)(SVCAG)
53	R	(TYD)(FEVCLAWPIG)(S)(M)
54	C	(KER)(FQMWHD)(NLP I)(Y)
57	K	(Y)(FTW)(VCAG)(S)
66	G	(KR)(E)(QH)(FMWD)
58	Y	(K)(Q)(EMR)(N)
17	X	(R)(K)(YE)(H)
62	H	(E)(MD)(Q)(T)
20	D	(R)(H)(FW)(K)

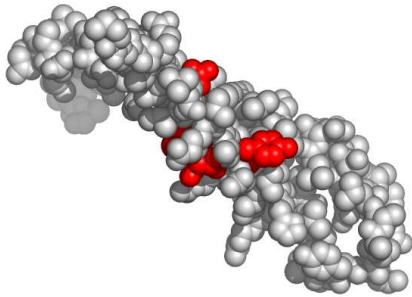
**Table 5.** List of disruptive mutations for the top 24% of residues in 2bskD, that are at the interface with 2bskA.



**Fig. 5.** Residues in 2bskD, at the interface with 2bskA, colored by their relative importance. 2bskA is shown in backbone representation (See Appendix for the coloring scheme for the protein chain 2bskD.)

Figure 5 shows residues in 2bskD colored by their importance, at the interface with 2bskA.

*2.4.3 Possible novel functional surfaces at 24% coverage.* One group of residues is conserved on the 2bskD surface, away from (or substantially larger than) other functional sites and interfaces recognizable in PDB entry 2bsk. It is shown in Fig. 6. The residues belonging to this surface "patch" are listed in Table 6, while Table 7 suggests possible disruptive replacements for these residues (see Section 4.6).



**Fig. 6.** A possible active surface on the chain 2bskD.

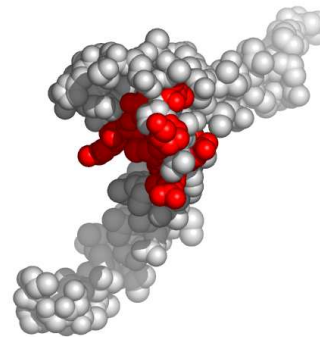
<b>Table 6.</b>			
res	type	substitutions(%)	cvg
14	E	E(92)Q(5)S(1)	0.08
11	A	A(82)Q(10).(7)	0.16
22	Y	F(59)Y(31)M(1)	0.19
17	X	L(2)I(1)H(2)	0.22
		L(10)M(50)Y(14)	
		G(8)T(2)A(5)	
		S(1)X(1)K(1)	
20	D	V(2)	0.24
		D(73)E(11)G(4)	
		K(1)A(2)F(1)	
		T(2)S(1)	

**Table 6.** Residues forming surface "patch" in 2bskD.

<b>Table 7.</b>		
res	type	disruptive mutations
14	E	(FWH)(Y)(R)(VCAG)
11	A	(Y)(R)(E)(H)
22	Y	(K)(Q)(E)(R)
17	X	(R)(K)(YE)(H)
20	D	(R)(H)(FW)(K)

**Table 7.** Disruptive mutations for the surface patch in 2bskD.

Another group of surface residues is shown in Fig.7. The residues



**Fig. 7.** Another possible active surface on the chain 2bskD.

belonging to this surface "patch" are listed in Table 8, while Table 9 suggests possible disruptive replacements for these residues (see Section 4.6).

Table 8.				
res	type	substitutions(%)	cvg	antn
29	C	C(100)	0.04	S-S
33	C	C(100)	0.04	S-S
47	E	E(100)	0.04	
50	C	C(100)	0.04	S-S
52	D	D(98)I(1)	0.06	
32	K	K(98)R(1)	0.07	
53	R	R(97)K(1)S(1)	0.09	
54	C	C(97).(2)	0.10	S-S
57	K	K(95).(2)Q(1)	0.11	
46	G	G(85)N(7)Q(5) T(1)	0.12	
43	L	L(92)V(2)I(2) M(1)	0.13	
66	G	S(17)G(76).(4) V(1)	0.14	
58	Y	F(23)Y(72).(2) I(1)	0.18	
45	K	K(72)M(11)V(10) T(1)A(2)P(1)	0.20	
55	V	A(5)V(85)T(2) . (2)S(1)C(1)	0.21	
62	H	Q(5)N(39)H(40) T(8)S(1).(2) V(1)	0.23	

**Table 8.** Residues forming surface "patch" in 2bskD.

Table 9.		
res	type	disruptive mutations
29	C	(KER)(FQMWHD)(NYLPI)(SVA)
33	C	(KER)(FQMWHD)(NYLPI)(SVA)
47	E	(FWH)(YVCARG)(T)(SNKLPI)
50	C	(KER)(FQMWHD)(NYLPI)(SVA)
52	D	(R)(H)(FYW)(KCG)
32	K	(Y)(T)(FW)(SVCAG)
53	R	(TYD)(FEVCLAWPIG)(S)(M)
54	C	(KER)(FQMWHD)(NLPI)(Y)
57	K	(Y)(FTW)(VCAG)(S)
46	G	(R)(FEWH)(K)(YMD)
43	L	(Y)(R)(H)(T)
66	G	(KR)(E)(QH)(FMWD)
58	Y	(K)(Q)(EMR)(N)
45	K	(Y)(FW)(T)(H)
55	V	(KR)(E)(Y)(Q)
62	H	(E)(MD)(Q)(T)

**Table 9.** Disruptive mutations for the surface patch in 2bskD.

### 3 CHAIN 2BSKC

#### 3.1 Q9Y5J7 overview

From SwissProt, id Q9Y5J7, 100% identical to 2bskC:

**Description:** Mitochondrial import inner membrane translocase subunit TIM9 A.

**Organism, scientific name:** Homo sapiens (Human).

**Taxonomy:** Eukaryota; Metazoa; Chordata; Craniata; Vertebrata; Euteleostomi; Mammalia; Eutheria; Euarchontoglires; Primates; Catarrhini; Hominidae; Homo.

**Function:** Likely to be involved in the import and insertion of hydrophobic membrane proteins into the mitochondrial inner membrane.

**Subcellular location:** Mitochondrial inner membrane (By similarity).

**Tissue specificity:** Ubiquitous, with highest expression in heart, kidney, liver and skeletal muscle.

**Similarity:** Belongs to the Tim8/Tim10 family.

**About:** This Swiss-Prot entry is copyright. It is produced through a collaboration between the Swiss Institute of Bioinformatics and the EMBL outstation - the European Bioinformatics Institute. There are no restrictions on its use as long as its content is in no way modified and this statement is not removed.

### 3.2 Multiple sequence alignment for 2bskC

For the chain 2bskC, the alignment 2bskC.msf (attached) with 63 sequences was used. The alignment was downloaded from the HSSP database, and fragments shorter than 75% of the query as well as duplicate sequences were removed. It can be found in the attachment to this report, under the name of 2bskC.msf. Its statistics, from the *alistat* program are the following:

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Format:                MSF
Number of sequences:   63
Total number of residues: 4309
Smallest:              36
Largest:               79
Average length:        68.4
Alignment length:      79
Average identity:       46%
Most related pair:     99%
Most unrelated pair:   17%
Most distant seq:      33%
  
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Furthermore, 3% of residues show as conserved in this alignment.

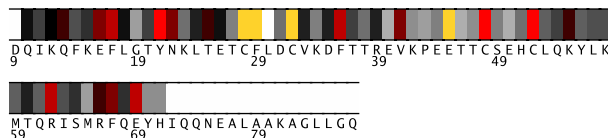
The alignment consists of 17% eukaryotic ( 1% vertebrata, 1% arthropoda, 6% fungi, 3% plantae) sequences. (Descriptions of some sequences were not readily available.) The file containing the sequence descriptions can be found in the attachment, under the name 2bskC.descr.

### 3.3 Residue ranking in 2bskC

The 2bskC sequence is shown in Fig. 8, with each residue colored according to its estimated importance. The full listing of residues in 2bskC can be found in the file called 2bskC.ranks\_sorted in the attachment.

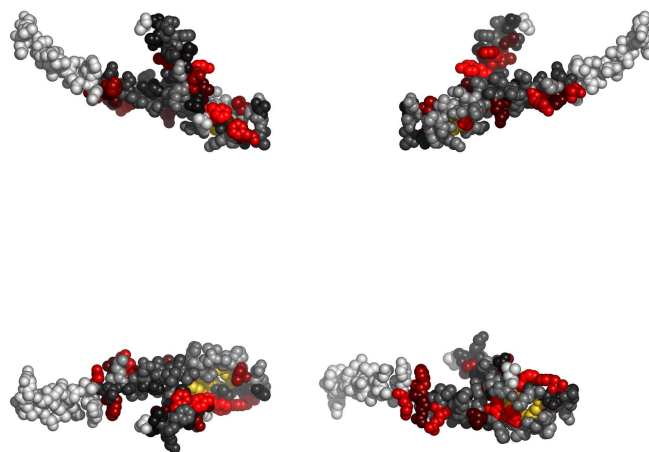
### 3.4 Top ranking residues in 2bskC and their position on the structure

In the following we consider residues ranking among top 25% of residues in the protein. Figure 9 shows residues in 2bskC colored by their importance: bright red and yellow indicate more conserved/important



**Fig. 8.** Residues 9-87 in 2bskC colored by their relative importance. (See Appendix, Fig.15, for the coloring scheme.)

residues (see Appendix for the coloring scheme). A Pymol script for producing this figure can be found in the attachment.



**Fig. 9.** Residues in 2bskC, colored by their relative importance. Clockwise: front, back, top and bottom views.

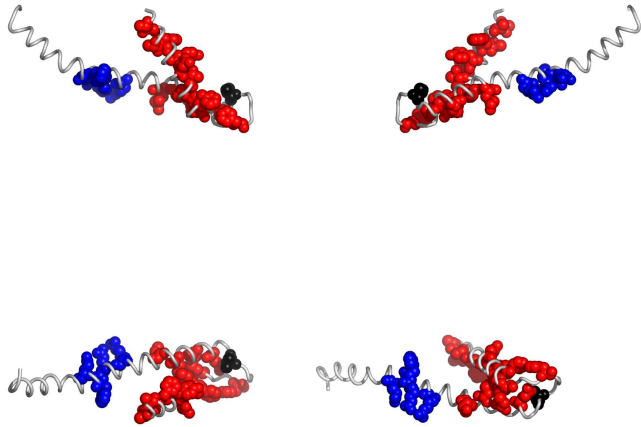
**3.4.1 Clustering of residues at 25% coverage.** Fig. 10 shows the top 25% of all residues, this time colored according to clusters they belong to. The clusters in Fig.10 are composed of the residues listed in Table 10.

Table 10.		
cluster color	size	member residues
red	15	12, 13, 16, 17, 21, 22, 25, 28, 29, 32, 36, 45, 48, 52, 55
blue	4	62, 66, 67, 69

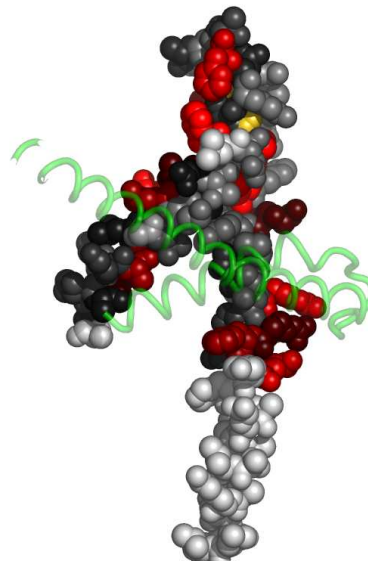
**Table 10.** Clusters of top ranking residues in 2bskC.

**3.4.2 Overlap with known functional surfaces at 25% coverage.** The name of the ligand is composed of the source PDB identifier and the heteroatom name used in that file.





**Fig. 10.** Residues in 2bskC, colored according to the cluster they belong to: red, followed by blue and yellow are the largest clusters (see Appendix for the coloring scheme). Clockwise: front, back, top and bottom views. The corresponding Pymol script is attached.



**Fig. 11.** Residues in 2bskC, at the interface with 2bskA, colored by their relative importance. 2bskA is shown in backbone representation (See Appendix for the coloring scheme for the protein chain 2bskC.)

**Interface with 2bskA.** Table 11 lists the top 25% of residues at the interface with 2bskA. The following table (Table 12) suggests possible disruptive replacements for these residues (see Section 4.6).

Table 11.					
res	type	subst's (%)	cvg	noc/ bb	dist (Å)
69	E	D(1) E(95) . (1) K(1)	0.14	1/0	4.87

**Table 11.** The top 25% of residues in 2bskC at the interface with 2bskA. (Field names: res: residue number in the PDB entry; type: amino acid type; substs: substitutions seen in the alignment; with the percentage of each type in the bracket; noc/bb: number of contacts with the ligand, with the number of contacts realized through backbone atoms given in the bracket; dist: distance of closest approach to the ligand.)

Table 12.		
res	type	disruptive mutations
69	E	(FW) (H) (YVCAG) (R)

**Table 12.** List of disruptive mutations for the top 25% of residues in 2bskC, that are at the interface with 2bskA.

**Interface with 2bskF.** Table 13 lists the top 25% of residues at the interface with 2bskF. The following table (Table 14) suggests possible disruptive replacements for these residues (see Section 4.6).

Table 13.						
res	type	subst's (%)	cvg	noc/ bb	dist (Å)	antn
28	C	C(100)	0.04	2/0	3.76	S-S
45	E	E(100)	0.04	8/0	3.61	
29	F	F(98) Q(1)	0.05	79/6	3.24	
21	Y	Y(93) F(6)	0.06	63/1	2.64	
36	F	F(92) M(3) Y(3) L(1)	0.11	69/7	3.40	
17	F	F(76) T(4) S(15) M(1) Y(1)	0.13	4/0	4.64	
41	V	L(74) V(22) I(1) P(1)	0.17	20/4	3.04	
22	N	N(53) S(42)	0.19	47/7	2.85	

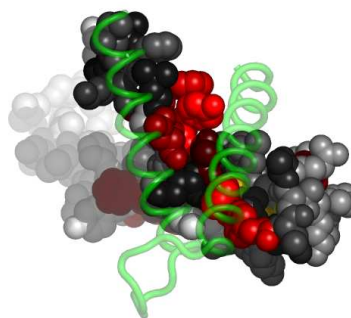
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Figure 11 shows residues in 2bskC colored by their importance, at the interface with 2bskA.



Table 13. continued						
res	type	subst's (%)	cvg	noc/ bb	dist (Å)	antn
25	T	T(1) G(1) T(20) V(65) A(3) S(9) Q(1)	0.20	40/10	3.55	

**Table 13.** The top 25% of residues in 2bskC at the interface with 2bskF. (Field names: res: residue number in the PDB entry; type: amino acid type; substs: substitutions seen in the alignment; with the percentage of each type in the bracket; noc/bb: number of contacts with the ligand, with the number of contacts realized through backbone atoms given in the bracket; dist: distance of closest approach to the ligand.)



**Fig. 12.** Residues in 2bskC, at the interface with 2bskF, colored by their relative importance. 2bskF is shown in backbone representation (See Appendix for the coloring scheme for the protein chain 2bskC.)

Table 14.		
res	type	disruptive mutations
28	C	(KER) (FQMWH) (NYLPI) (SVA)
45	E	(FWH) (YVCARG) (T) (SNKLPI)
29	F	(TE) (KD) (SCG) (QR)
21	Y	(K) (Q) (EM) (NR)
36	F	(K) (E) (T) (QDR)
17	F	(K) (E) (Q) (R)
41	V	(YR) (KE) (H) (QD)
22	N	(FYWH) (R) (E) (M)
25	T	(R) (K) (H) (FW)

**Table 14.** List of disruptive mutations for the top 25% of residues in 2bskC, that are at the interface with 2bskF.

Figure 12 shows residues in 2bskC colored by their importance, at the interface with 2bskF.

**Interface with 2bskD.** Table 15 lists the top 25% of residues at the interface with 2bskD. The following table (Table 16) suggests possible disruptive replacements for these residues (see Section 4.6).

Table 15.						
res	type	subst's (%)	cvg	noc/ bb	dist (Å)	antn
32	C	C(100)	0.04	5/1	4.18	S-S
48	C	C(98) . (1)	0.09	17/9	3.68	S-S
52	C	C(98) . (1)	0.09	32/17	3.25	S-S
62	R	R(96) . (3)	0.10	45/0	2.55	
67	F	Y(1) F(92) . (1) V(1) M(3)	0.18	31/2	3.67	

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Table 15. continued						
res	type	subst's (%)	cvg	noc/ bb	dist (Å)	antn
55	K	K(92) . (1) L(3) R(1) M(1)	0.21	73/11	2.70	
66	R	V(4) R(90) . (1) Q(1) K(1)	0.24	24/1	2.47	

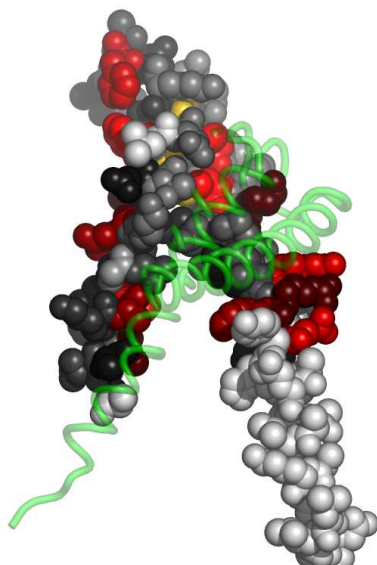
**Table 15.** The top 25% of residues in 2bskC at the interface with 2bskD. (Field names: res: residue number in the PDB entry; type: amino acid type; substs: substitutions seen in the alignment; with the percentage of each type in the bracket; noc/bb: number of contacts with the ligand, with the number of contacts realized through backbone atoms given in the bracket; dist: distance of closest approach to the ligand.)

Table 16.		
res	type	disruptive mutations
32	C	(KER) (FQMWH) (NYLPI) (SVA)
48	C	(KER) (FQMWH) (NLPI) (Y)
52	C	(KER) (FQMWH) (NLPI) (Y)
62	R	(TD) (SVCLAPIG) (YE) (FMW)
67	F	(K) (E) (Q) (D)

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Table 16. continued		
res	type	disruptive mutations
55	K	(Y)(T)(FW)(S)
66	R	(T)(YD)(SCG)(E)

**Table 16.** List of disruptive mutations for the top 25% of residues in 2bskC, that are at the interface with 2bskD.



**Fig. 13.** Residues in 2bskC, at the interface with 2bskD, colored by their relative importance. 2bskD is shown in backbone representation (See Appendix for the coloring scheme for the protein chain 2bskC.)

Figure 13 shows residues in 2bskC colored by their importance, at the interface with 2bskD.

**3.4.3 Possible novel functional surfaces at 25% coverage.** One group of residues is conserved on the 2bskC surface, away from (or substantially larger than) other functional sites and interfaces recognizable in PDB entry 2bsk. It is shown in Fig. 14. The residues belonging to this surface "patch" are listed in Table 17, while Table 18 suggests possible disruptive replacements for these residues (see Section 4.6).

Table 17.				
res	type	substitutions(%)	cvg	antn
28	C	C(100)	0.04	S-S
32	C	C(100)	0.04	S-S
45	E	E(100)	0.04	
29	F	F(98)Q(1)	0.05	
21	Y	Y(93)F(6)	0.06	
48	C	C(98).(1)	0.09	S-S
52	C	C(98).(1)	0.09	S-S

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Table 17. continued				
res	type	substitutions(%)	cvg	antn
36	F	F(92)M(3)Y(3) L(1)	0.11	
17	F	F(76)T(4)S(15) M(1)Y(1)	0.13	
16	E	D(65)E(33)M(1)	0.15	
41	V	L(74)V(22)I(1) P(1)	0.17	
22	N	N(53)S(42)T(1) G(1)	0.19	
25	T	T(20)V(65)A(3) S(9)Q(1)	0.20	
55	K	K(92).(1)L(3) R(1)M(1)	0.21	
13	Q	N(4)Q(80)T(6) K(1)E(1)S(4)	0.23	
12	K	R(11)K(61).(22) Q(4)	0.25	

**Fig. 14.** A possible active surface on the chain 2bskC.

**Table 17.** Residues forming surface "patch" in 2bskC.

Table 18.		
res	type	disruptive mutations
28	C	(KER)(FQMWHD)(NYLPI)(SVA)
32	C	(KER)(FQMWHD)(NYLPI)(SVA)
45	E	(FWH)(YVCARG)(T)(SNKLPI)
29	F	(TE)(KD)(SCG)(QR)
21	Y	(K)(Q)(EM)(NR)

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Table 18. <i>continued</i>		
res	type	disruptive mutations
48	C	(KER) (FQMWHD) (NLPI) (Y)
52	C	(KER) (FQMWHD) (NLPI) (Y)
36	F	(K) (E) (T) (QDR)
17	F	(K) (E) (Q) (R)
16	E	(H) (FW) (YR) (CG)
41	V	(YR) (KE) (H) (QD)
22	N	(FYWH) (R) (E) (M)
25	T	(R) (K) (H) (FW)
55	K	(Y) (T) (FW) (S)
13	Q	(Y) (FW) (H) (T)
12	K	(Y) (T) (FW) (SVCAG)

**Table 18.** Disruptive mutations for the surface patch in 2bskC.

## 4 NOTES ON USING TRACE RESULTS

### 4.1 Coverage

Trace results are commonly expressed in terms of coverage: the residue is important if its “coverage” is small - that is if it belongs to some small top percentage of residues [100% is all of the residues in a chain], according to trace. The ET results are presented in the form of a table, usually limited to top 25% percent of residues (or to some nearby percentage), sorted by the strength of the presumed evolutionary pressure. (I.e., the smaller the coverage, the stronger the pressure on the residue.) Starting from the top of that list, mutating a couple of residues should affect the protein somehow, with the exact effects to be determined experimentally.

### 4.2 Known substitutions

One of the table columns is “substitutions” - other amino acid types seen at the same position in the alignment. These amino acid types may be interchangeable at that position in the protein, so if one wants to affect the protein by a point mutation, they should be avoided. For example if the substitutions are “RVK” and the original protein has an R at that position, it is advisable to try anything, but RVK. Conversely, when looking for substitutions which will *not* affect the protein, one may try replacing, R with K, or (perhaps more surprisingly), with V. The percentage of times the substitution appears in the alignment is given in the immediately following bracket. No percentage is given in the cases when it is smaller than 1%. This is meant to be a rough guide - due to rounding errors these percentages often do not add up to 100%.

### 4.3 Surface

To detect candidates for novel functional interfaces, first we look for residues that are solvent accessible (according to DSSP program) by at least  $10\text{\AA}^2$ , which is roughly the area needed for one water molecule to come in the contact with the residue. Furthermore, we require that these residues form a “cluster” of residues which have neighbor within  $5\text{\AA}$  from any of their heavy atoms.

Note, however, that, if our picture of protein evolution is correct, the neighboring residues which *are not* surface accessible might be equally important in maintaining the interaction specificity - they

should not be automatically dropped from consideration when choosing the set for mutagenesis. (Especially if they form a cluster with the surface residues.)

### 4.4 Number of contacts

Another column worth noting is denoted “noc/bb”; it tells the number of contacts heavy atoms of the residue in question make across the interface, as well as how many of them are realized through the backbone atoms (if all or most contacts are through the backbone, mutation presumably won’t have strong impact). Two heavy atoms are considered to be “in contact” if their centers are closer than  $5\text{\AA}$ .

### 4.5 Annotation

If the residue annotation is available (either from the pdb file or from other sources), another column, with the header “annotation” appears. Annotations carried over from PDB are the following: site (indicating existence of related site record in PDB), S-S (disulfide bond forming residue), hb (hydrogen bond forming residue, jb (james bond forming residue), and sb (for salt bridge forming residue).

### 4.6 Mutation suggestions

Mutation suggestions are completely heuristic and based on complementarity with the substitutions found in the alignment. Note that they are meant to be **disruptive** to the interaction of the protein with its ligand. The attempt is made to complement the following properties: small [AVGSTC], medium [LPNQDEMIK], large [WFYHR], hydrophobic [LPVAMWFI], polar [GTCY]; positively [KHR], or negatively [DE] charged, aromatic [WFYH], long aliphatic chain [EK RQM], OH-group possession [SDETY], and NH2 group possession [NQRK]. The suggestions are listed according to how different they appear to be from the original amino acid, and they are grouped in round brackets if they appear equally disruptive. From left to right, each bracketed group of amino acid types resembles more strongly the original (i.e. is, presumably, less disruptive) These suggestions are tentative - they might prove disruptive to the fold rather than to the interaction. Many researcher will choose, however, the straightforward alanine mutations, especially in the beginning stages of their investigation.

## 5 APPENDIX

### 5.1 File formats

Files with extension “ranks\_sorted” are the actual trace results. The fields in the table in this file:

- alignment# number of the position in the alignment
- residue# residue number in the PDB file
- type amino acid type
- rank rank of the position according to older version of ET
- variability has two subfields:
  1. number of different amino acids appearing in in this column of the alignment
  2. their type
- rho ET score - the smaller this value, the lesser variability of this position across the branches of the tree (and, presumably, the greater the importance for the protein)
- cvg coverage - percentage of the residues on the structure which have this rho or smaller

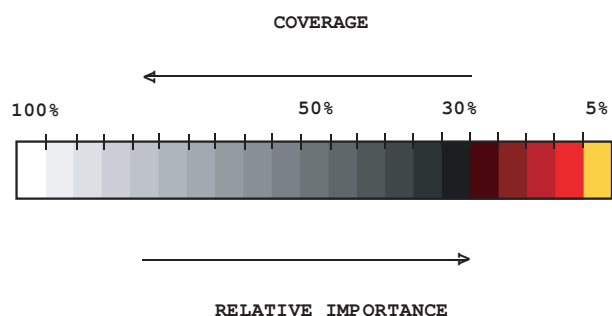


Fig. 15. Coloring scheme used to color residues by their relative importance.

- gaps percentage of gaps in this column

## 5.2 Color schemes used

The following color scheme is used in figures with residues colored by cluster size: black is a single-residue cluster; clusters composed of more than one residue colored according to this hierarchy (ordered by descending size): red, blue, yellow, green, purple, azure, turquoise, brown, coral, magenta, LightSalmon, SkyBlue, violet, gold, bisque, LightSlateBlue, orchid, RosyBrown, MediumAquamarine, DarkOliveGreen, CornflowerBlue, grey55, burlywood, LimeGreen, tan, DarkOrange, DeepPink, maroon, BlanchedAlmond.

The colors used to distinguish the residues by the estimated evolutionary pressure they experience can be seen in Fig. 15.

## 5.3 Credits

**5.3.1 Alistat** *alistat* reads a multiple sequence alignment from the file and shows a number of simple statistics about it. These statistics include the format, the number of sequences, the total number of residues, the average and range of the sequence lengths, and the alignment length (e.g. including gap characters). Also shown are some percent identities. A percent pairwise alignment identity is defined as  $(\text{idents} / \text{MIN}(\text{len1}, \text{len2}))$  where *idents* is the number of exact identities and *len1*, *len2* are the unaligned lengths of the two sequences. The "average percent identity", "most related pair", and "most unrelated pair" of the alignment are the average, maximum, and minimum of all  $(N)(N-1)/2$  pairs, respectively. The "most distant seq" is calculated by finding the maximum pairwise identity (best relative) for all *N* sequences, then finding the minimum of these *N* numbers (hence, the most outlying sequence). *alistat* is copyrighted by HHMI/Washington University School of Medicine, 1992-2001, and freely distributed under the GNU General Public License.

**5.3.2 CE** To map ligand binding sites from different source structures, *report\_maker* uses the CE program: <http://cl.sdsc.edu/>. Shindyalov IN, Bourne PE (1998) "Protein structure alignment by incremental combinatorial extension (CE) of the optimal path". *Protein Engineering* 11(9) 739-747.

**5.3.3 DSSP** In this work a residue is considered solvent accessible if the DSSP program finds it exposed to water by at least  $10\text{\AA}^2$ ,

which is roughly the area needed for one water molecule to come in the contact with the residue. DSSP is copyrighted by W. Kabsch, C. Sander and MPI-MF, 1983, 1985, 1988, 1994 1995, CMBI version by Elmar.Krieger@cmbi.kun.nl November 18,2002,

<http://www.cmbi.kun.nl/gv/dssp/descrip.html>.

**5.3.4 HSSP** Whenever available, *report\_maker* uses HSSP alignment as a starting point for the analysis (sequences shorter than 75% of the query are taken out, however); R. Schneider, A. de Daruvar, and C. Sander. "The HSSP database of protein structure-sequence alignments." *Nucleic Acids Res.*, 25:226-230, 1997.

<http://swift.cmbi.kun.nl/swift/hssp/>

**5.3.5 LaTeX** The text for this report was processed using L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X; Leslie Lamport, "LaTeX: A Document Preparation System Addison-Wesley," Reading, Mass. (1986).

**5.3.6 Muscle** When making alignments "from scratch", *report\_maker* uses Muscle alignment program: Edgar, Robert C. (2004), "MUSCLE: multiple sequence alignment with high accuracy and high throughput." *Nucleic Acids Research* 32(5), 1792-97.

<http://www.drive5.com/muscle/>

**5.3.7 Pymol** The figures in this report were produced using Pymol. The scripts can be found in the attachment. Pymol is an open-source application copyrighted by DeLano Scientific LLC (2005). For more information about Pymol see <http://pymol.sourceforge.net/>. (Note for Windows users: the attached package needs to be unzipped for Pymol to read the scripts and launch the viewer.)

## 5.4 Note about ET Viewer

Dan Morgan from the Lichtarge lab has developed a visualization tool specifically for viewing trace results. If you are interested, please visit:

<http://mammoth.bcm.tmc.edu/traceview/>

The viewer is self-unpacking and self-installing. Input files to be used with ETV (extension .etvx) can be found in the attachment to the main report.

## 5.5 Citing this work

The method used to rank residues and make predictions in this report can be found in Mihalek, I., I. Reš, O. Lichtarge. (2004). "A Family of Evolution-Entropy Hybrid Methods for Ranking of Protein Residues by Importance" *J. Mol. Bio.* **336**: 1265-82. For the original version of ET see O. Lichtarge, H.Bourne and F. Cohen (1996). "An Evolutionary Trace Method Defines Binding Surfaces Common to Protein Families" *J. Mol. Bio.* **257**: 342-358.

*report\_maker* itself is described in Mihalek I., I. Res and O. Lichtarge (2006). "Evolutionary Trace Report Maker: a new type of service for comparative analysis of proteins." *Bioinformatics* **22**:1656-7.

## 5.6 About report\_maker

*report\_maker* was written in 2006 by Ivana Mihalek. The 1D ranking visualization program was written by Ivica Reš. *report\_maker* is copyrighted by Lichtarge Lab, Baylor College of Medicine, Houston.

## 5.7 Attachments

The following files should accompany this report:

- 2bskD.complex.pdb - coordinates of 2bskD with all of its interacting partners
- 2bskD.etvx - ET viewer input file for 2bskD
- 2bskD.cluster\_report.summary - Cluster report summary for 2bskD
- 2bskD.ranks - Ranks file in sequence order for 2bskD
- 2bskD.clusters - Cluster descriptions for 2bskD
- 2bskD.msf - the multiple sequence alignment used for the chain 2bskD
- 2bskD.descr - description of sequences used in 2bskD msf
- 2bskD.ranks\_sorted - full listing of residues and their ranking for 2bskD
- 2bskD.2bskC.if.pml - Pymol script for Figure 4
- 2bskD.cbcvg - used by other 2bskD – related pymol scripts
- 2bskD.2bskA.if.pml - Pymol script for Figure 5
- 2bskC.complex.pdb - coordinates of 2bskC with all of its interacting partners
- 2bskC.etvx - ET viewer input file for 2bskC
- 2bskC.cluster\_report.summary - Cluster report summary for 2bskC
- 2bskC.ranks - Ranks file in sequence order for 2bskC
- 2bskC.clusters - Cluster descriptions for 2bskC
- 2bskC.msf - the multiple sequence alignment used for the chain 2bskC
- 2bskC.descr - description of sequences used in 2bskC msf
- 2bskC.ranks\_sorted - full listing of residues and their ranking for 2bskC
- 2bskC.2bskA.if.pml - Pymol script for Figure 11
- 2bskC.cbcvg - used by other 2bskC – related pymol scripts
- 2bskC.2bskF.if.pml - Pymol script for Figure 12
- 2bskC.2bskD.if.pml - Pymol script for Figure 13