

# **Anomalous dynamics of metal ions in presence of a bacterial protein**

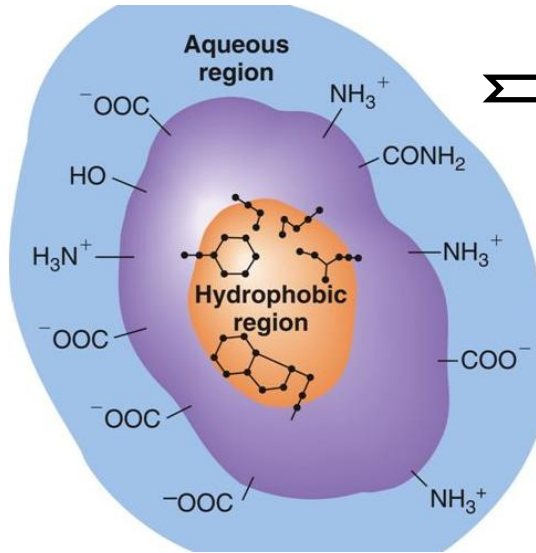
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# Background

- ❑ Surface induced properties: modifications in both statics and dynamics
- ❑ Nano-particles: Large surface area
- ❑ Nano-technology: Information storage, packaging, electronics, catalysis, lithium-ion batteries, solar cells
- ❑ Biomedical application: metallic, magnetic, fluorescent, polymeric and protein-based nano-particles: sensor & replacement

# Proteins as nano particles



**Exposed hydrophilic groups**

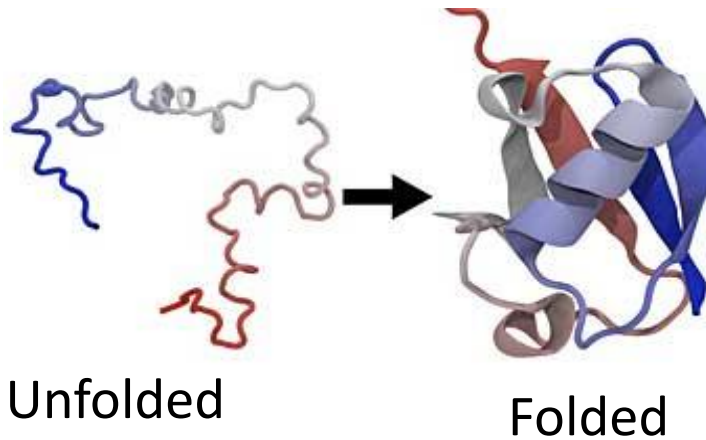
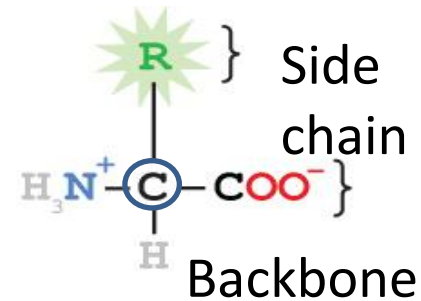
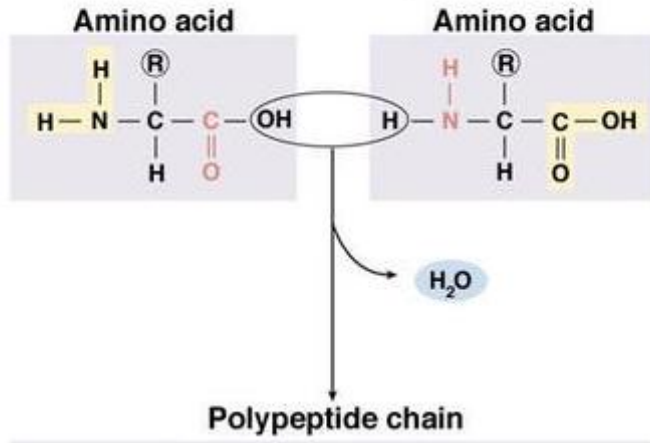
Heterogeneity in electrostatic interactions  
with ions

**Complicated motions of ions**

**Ion-dipole interaction: functionality of protein**

# Basic Chemistry of Protein

## Peptide Bond



# Objective

- ❑ Study motions of metal ions in presence of heterogeneous surface of a bacterial protein
- ❑ Functionality of bacterial proteins: major cause for virulence
- ❑ Metal ions in trace amount act as structural and functional scaffolds of proteins

# Protein STY3178

❑ yfdX family from typhoid fever causing bacteria

*Salmonella* Typhi : unknown structure function

❑ Recent studies:

○ Interact with several antibiotics

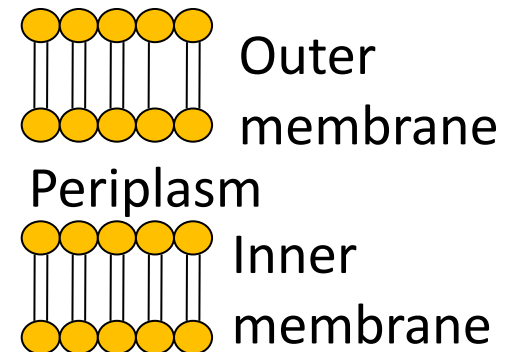
○ Structurally stable in wide range of temperature and pH

○ Trimer in water

○ Monomer in **SDS**

○ Can act as **chaperon** protein

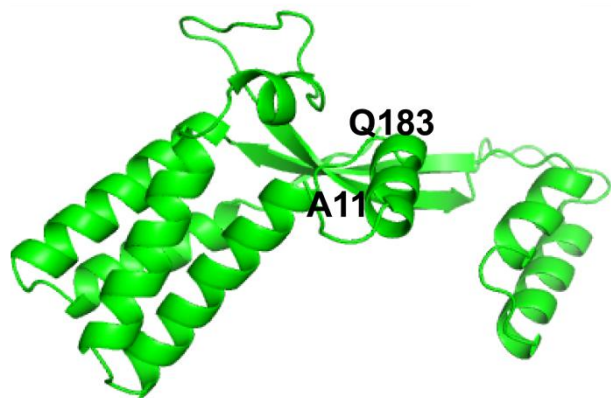
○ Probable to localize in periplasmic area



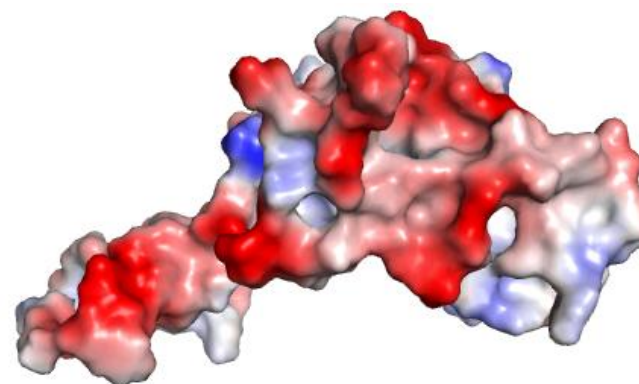
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❑ Investigate dynamics of most abundant metal ions in cellular conditions :  $Mg^{+2}$  and  $Ca^{+2}$

# Model structure of STY3178



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Electrostatic surface of STY3178

**-ve charge distribution**  
**+ve charge distribution**

❑ -ve surface charge, Capable of interacting with metal ions

# MD Simulation

- ❑ GROMOS9653a6 force field
- ❑ Solvated in cubic box: SPC 3-point water model, Electronutrality
- ❑ 0.5mM  $\text{MgCl}_2$  and  $\text{CaCl}_2$  experiments
- ❑ Isothermal isobaric ensemble
- ❑ Periodic boundary condition
- ❑ 1fs time step
- ❑ PME: long ranged electrostatic interaction

$$\begin{aligned}
 U = & \sum_{\text{bonds}} \frac{1}{2} k_r (r - r_o)^2 & \text{red spheres connected by a spring} \\
 & + \sum_{\text{angles}} \frac{1}{2} k_\theta (\theta - \theta_o)^2 & \text{red spheres forming an angle} \\
 & + \sum_{\text{torsions}} \frac{V_n}{2} [1 + \cos(n\varphi + \delta)] & \text{red spheres in a chain with a rotation arrow} \\
 & + \sum_{\text{improper}} \frac{V}{2} [1 + \cos(2\varphi - 180)] \\
 & + \sum_{\text{elec}} \frac{q_i q_j}{r_{ij}} \quad \text{Coulomb} & \text{bonded} \\
 & + \sum_{ij} 4\epsilon_{ij} \left[ \left( \frac{A_{ij}}{r_{ij}} \right)^{12} - \left( \frac{B_{ij}}{r_{ij}} \right)^6 \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

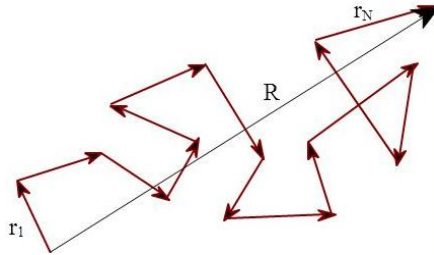
- ❑ 240ns long simulation
- ❑ Self-vHf and msd from equilibrated trajectory averaging over different initial conditions



# Analysis

## □ Mean square displacement; $\delta r^2$

- Motion of particle in fluid



- Square of displacement at t from starting position

- In long time limit ,

$$\delta r^2 = 6Dt$$

- Measurable by DLS experiment

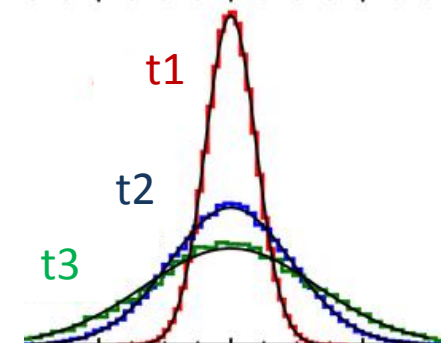
## □ Self van Hove function; $G_s(r, t)$

- probability of finding a particle at r at t, located at the origin at t = 0
- Neutron scattering experiment
- Normal liquid: Gaussian form

$$G_s(r, t) \propto \exp(-r^2/4Dt)$$



Fickian  
dynamics



$t1 < t2 < t3$

## □ Deviation in msd from linear dependence on t

## □ Non-Gaussian self-vHf

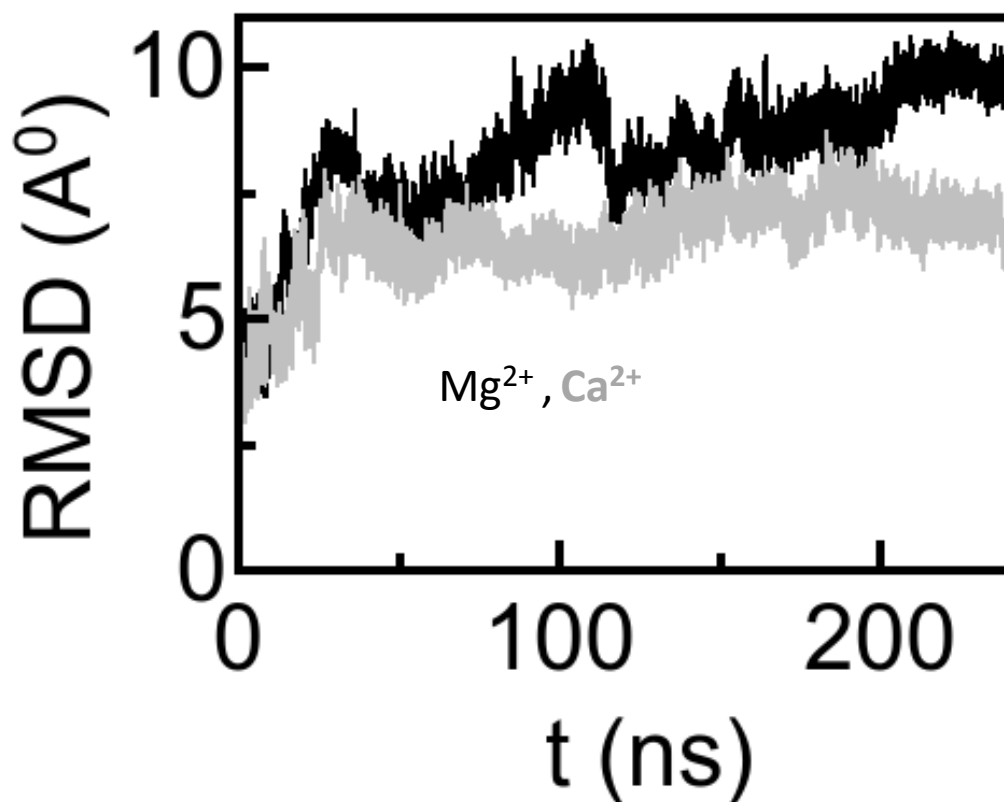
## □ Linear msd on t; Non-Gaussian self-vHf: Non-Fickian diffusion dynamics

# RMSD

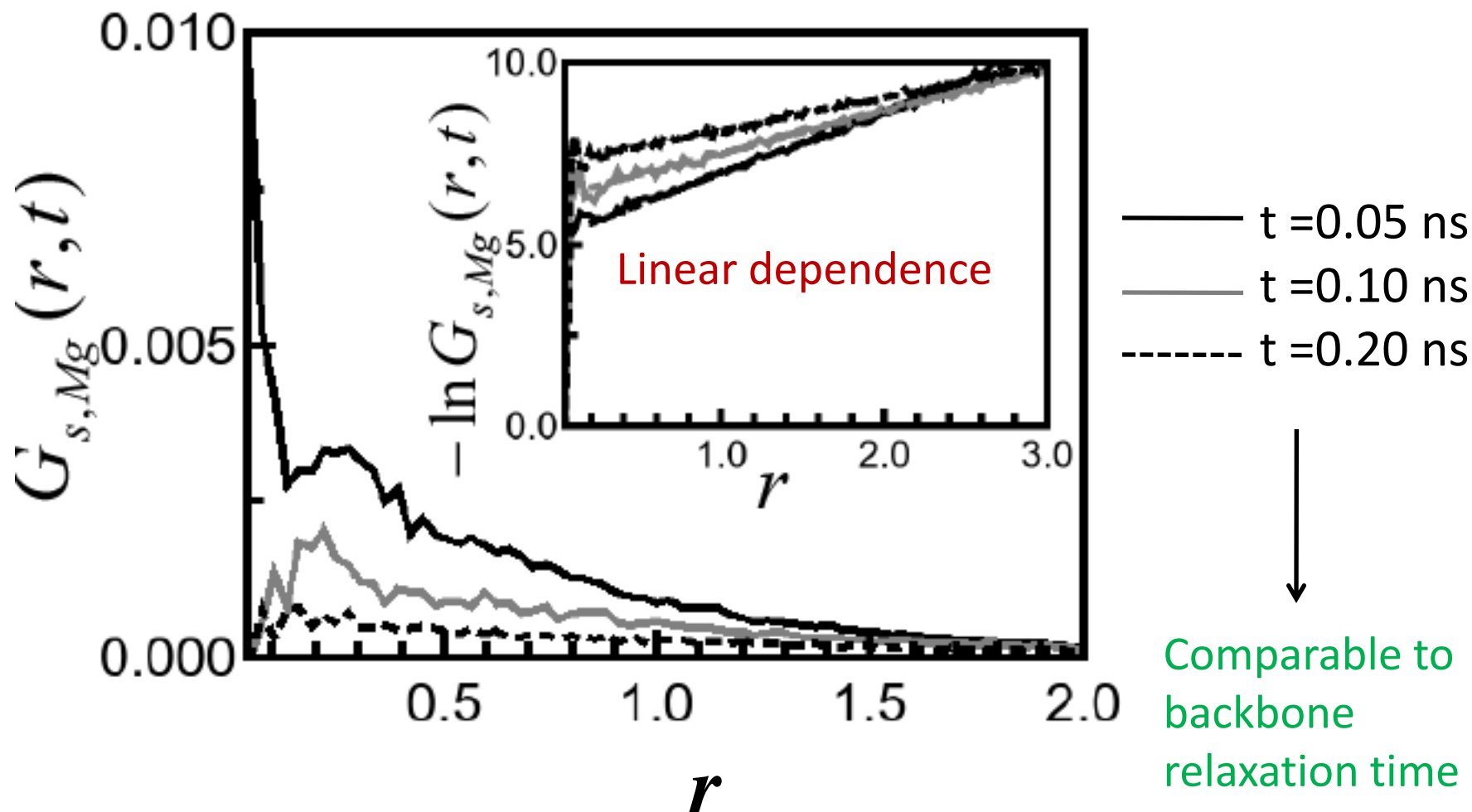
**RMSD(t): deviation of a particle at a particular time t from starting point**

$$\text{RMSD}(t) = \frac{1}{N} \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^N \sqrt{\left| \mathbf{r}_{C\alpha}^{(i)}(t) - \mathbf{r}_{C\alpha}^{(i)}(0) \right|^2} \right\rangle$$

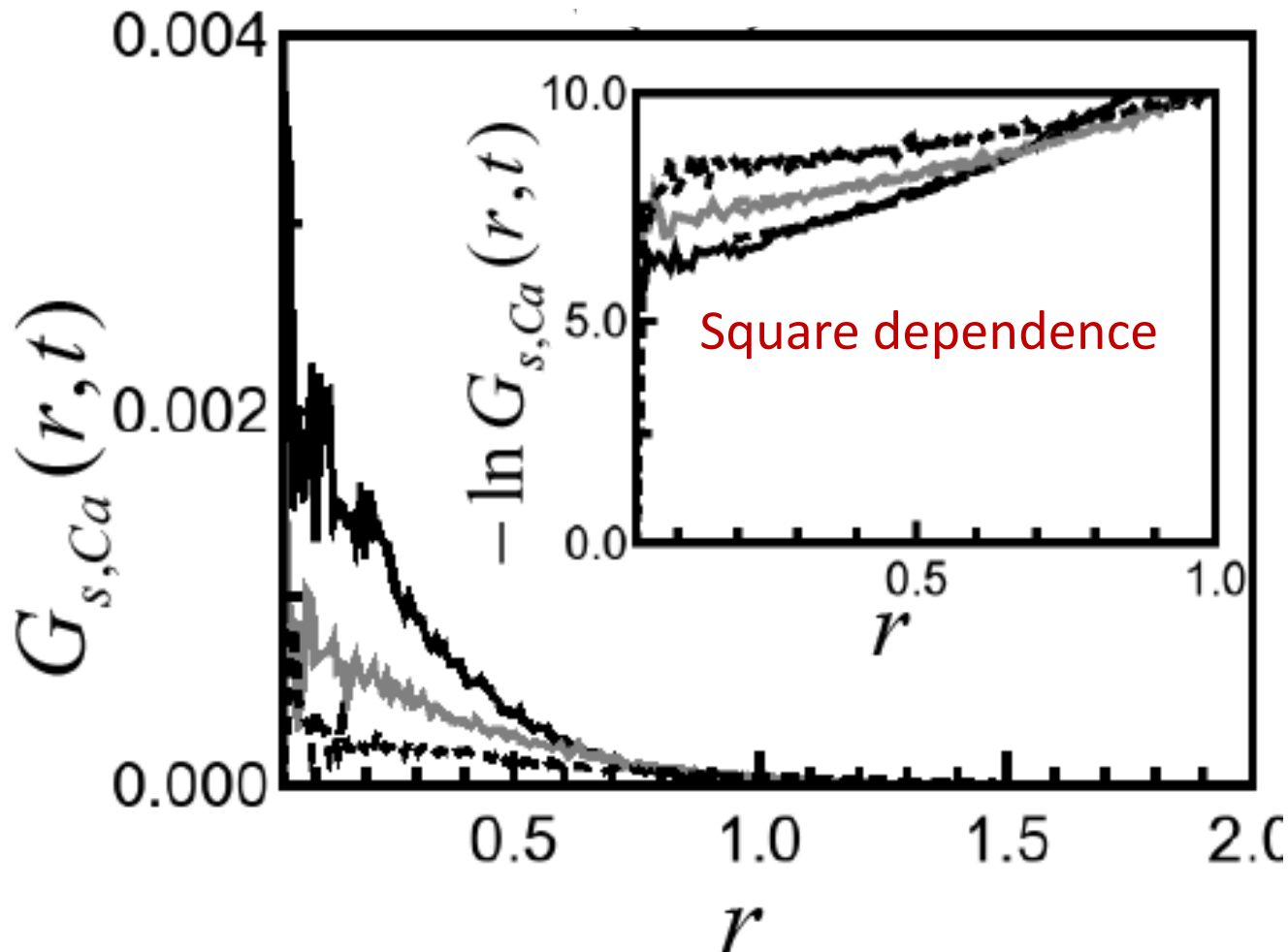
**Averaged over C $\alpha$  atom of N number of residues**



# Self van Hove for $\text{Mg}^{2+}$



# Self van Hove for $\text{Ca}^{2+}$

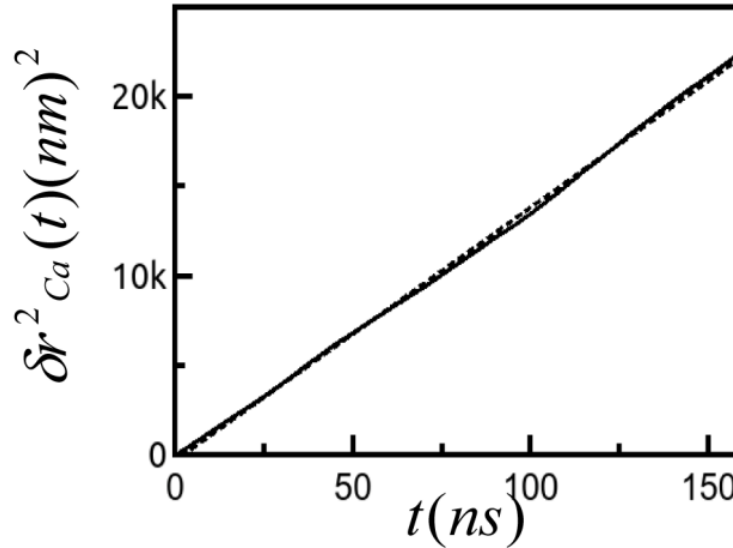
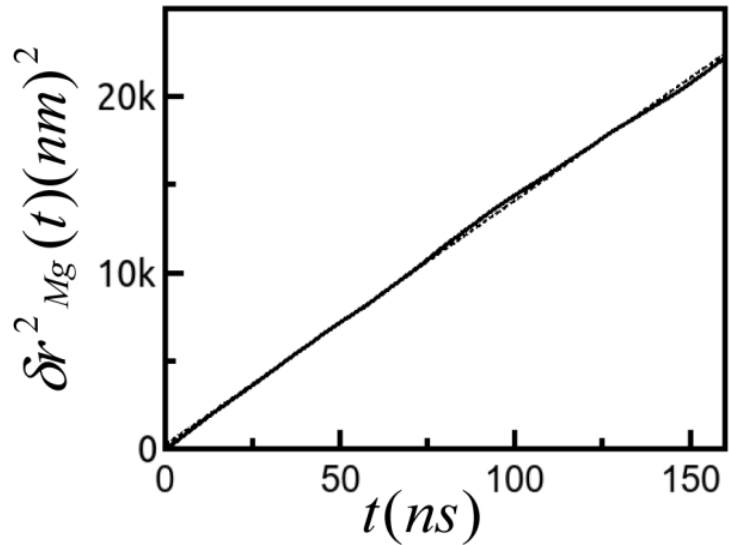


—  $t = 0.05$  ns  
—  $t = 0.10$  ns  
- - -  $t = 0.20$  ns



Comparable to  
backbone  
relaxation time

# MSD



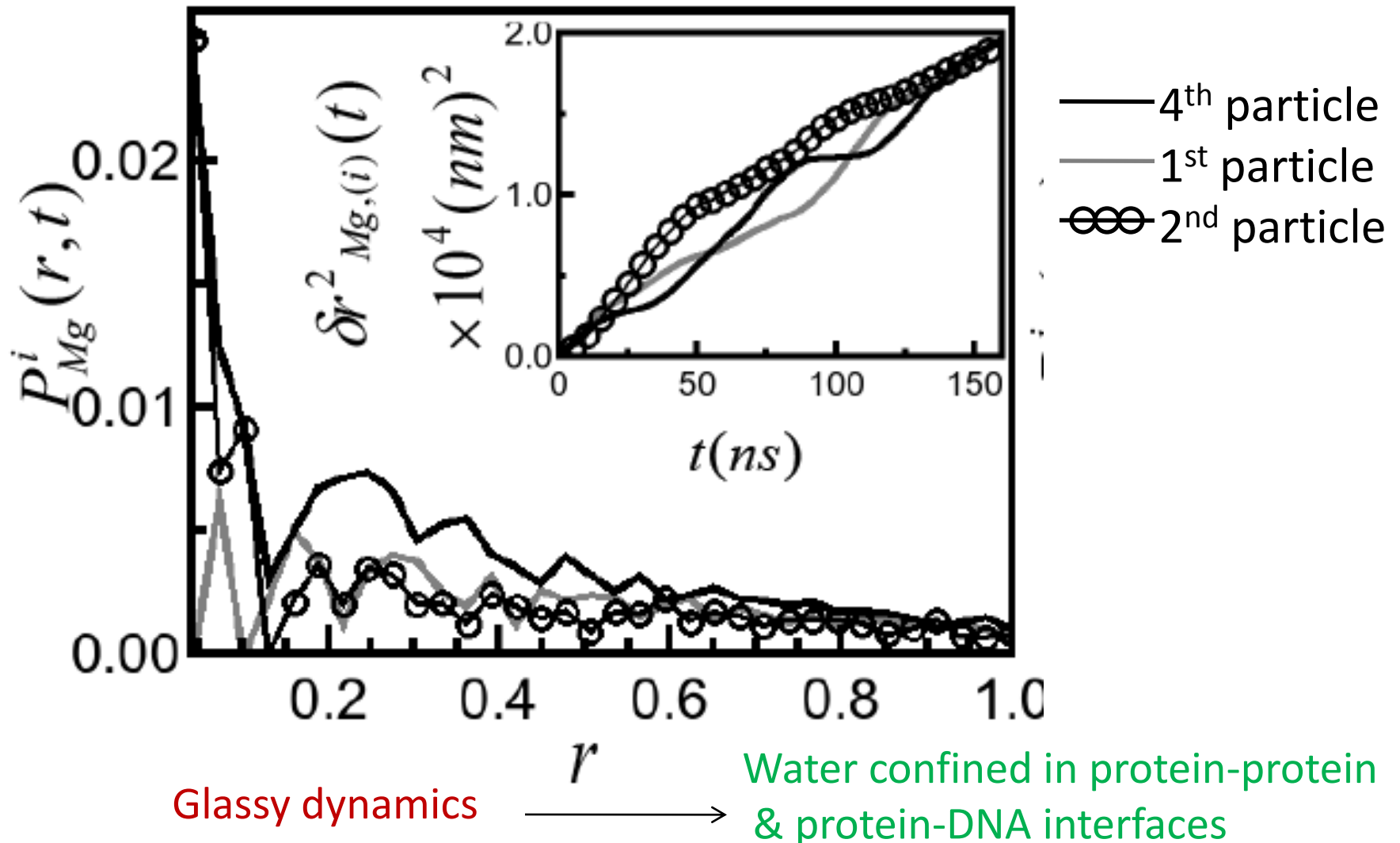
D : aqueous solution:  $0.70 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$   
D : presence of STY3178:  $0.20 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$

D : aqueous solution:  $0.79 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$   
D : presence of STY3178:  $0.24 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$

- ☐ Gaussian self-vHf & linear MSD: Fickian diffusion of  $Ca^{2+}$
  - ☐ Non-Gaussian exponential self-vHf & linear MSD: Non-Fickian diffusion of  $Mg^{2+}$
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- ☐ Dynamic heterogeneity : diffusion of colloids in lipid bilayer tube & bio-filament network

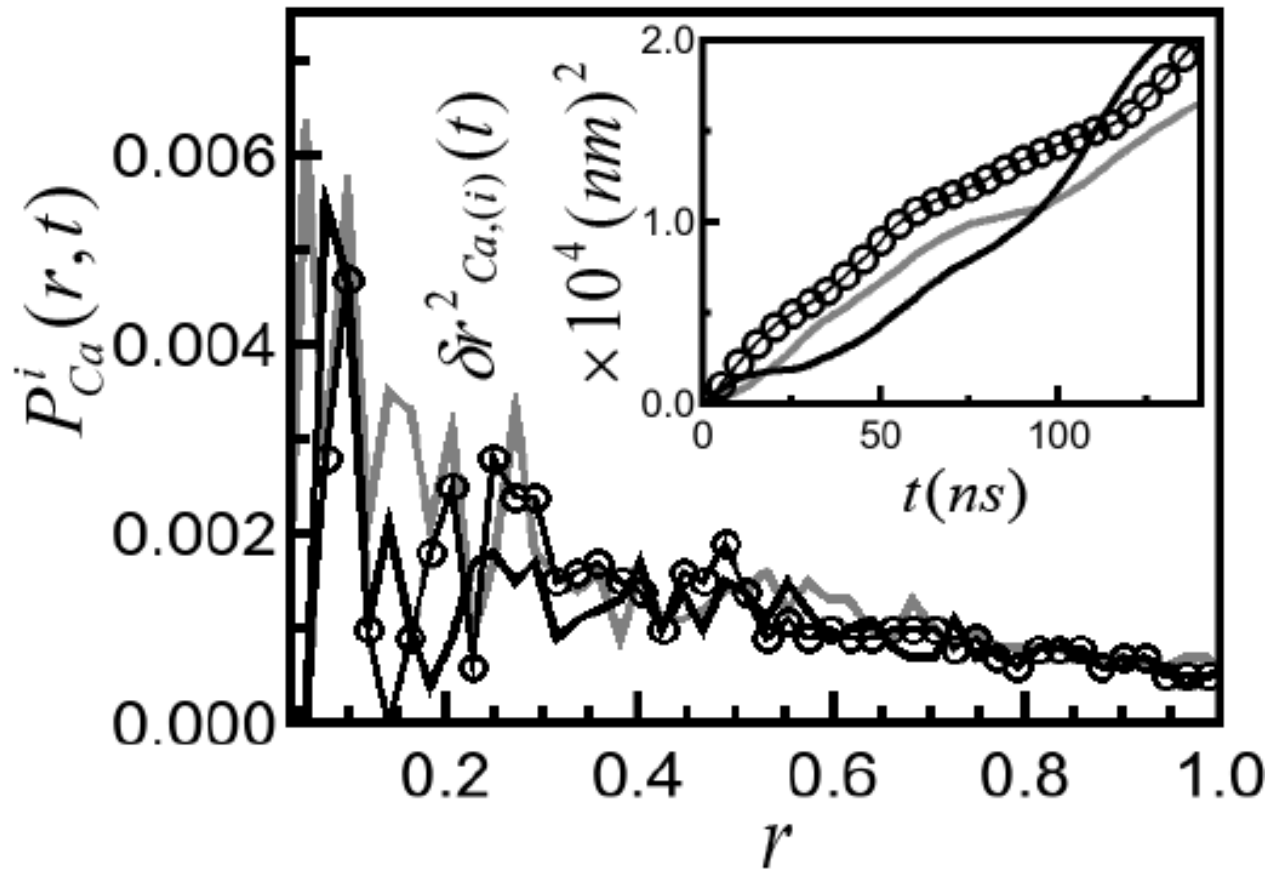
# Motions of individual $\text{Mg}^{2+}$ ions

- Probability distributions of displacement at 0.05 ns time interval; msd of the same ions



# Motions of individual $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ions

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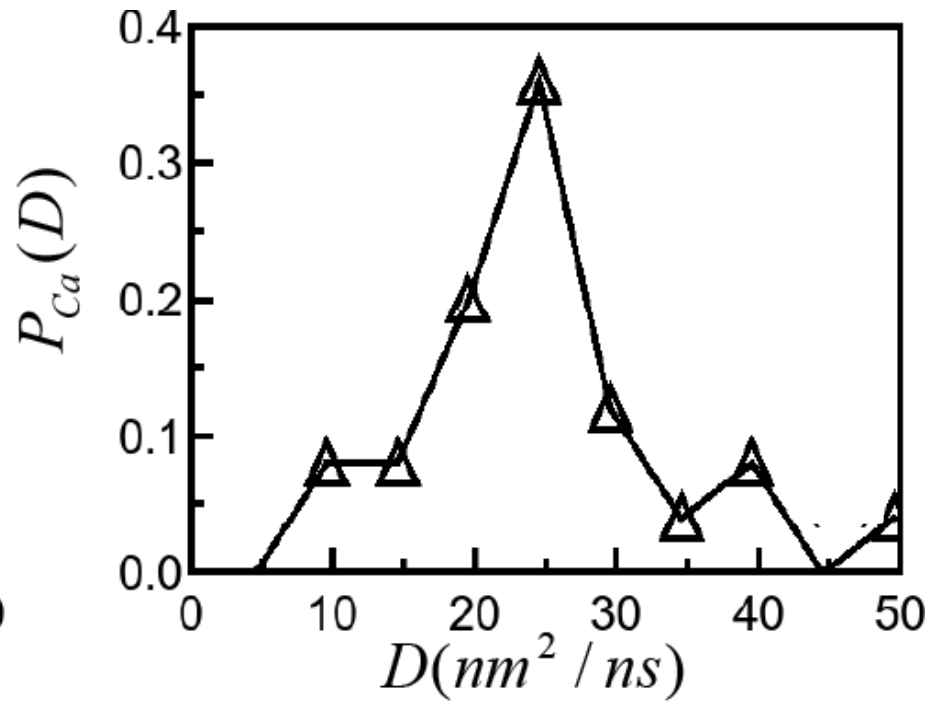
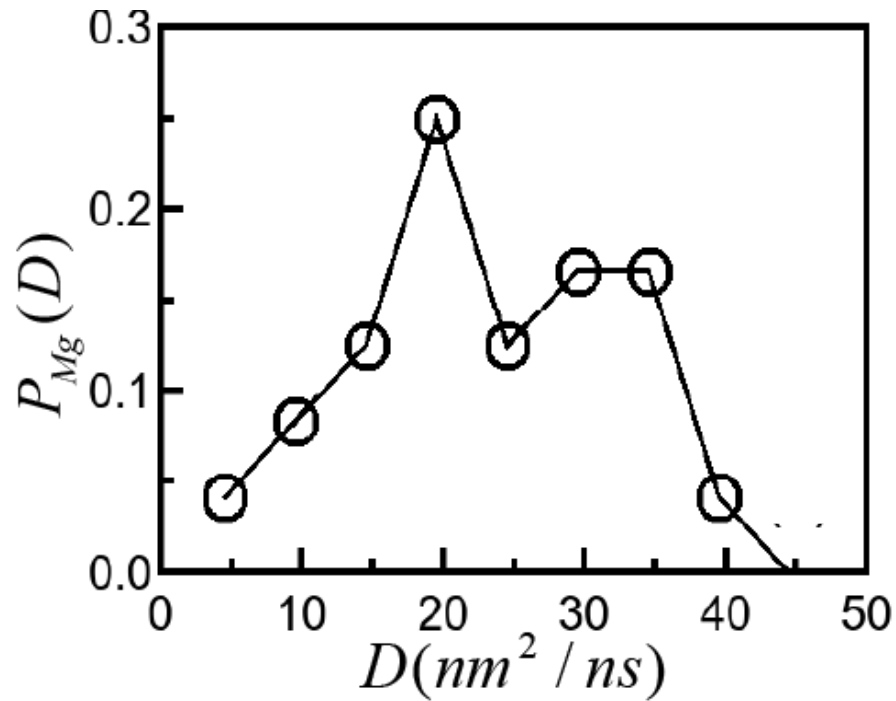


— 4<sup>th</sup> particle  
— 1<sup>st</sup> particle  
○ 2<sup>nd</sup> particle

Purely diffusive  
motions of liquids

# Dynamic heterogeneity; diffusion coefficient

Probability distributions of diffusion coefficients ; different regions in MSD data with varying slopes

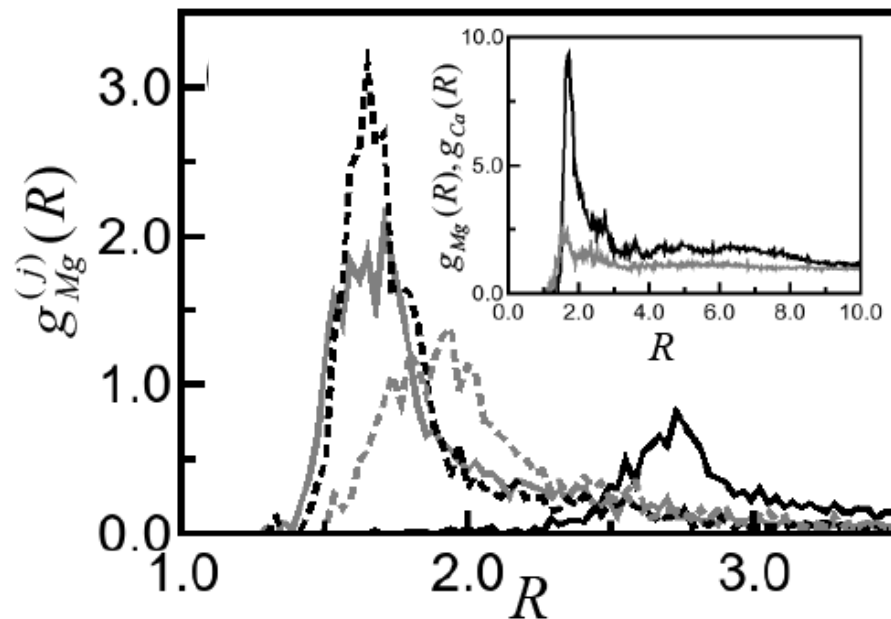


- All  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  diffuse differently
- Similar diffusion profile for all  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$

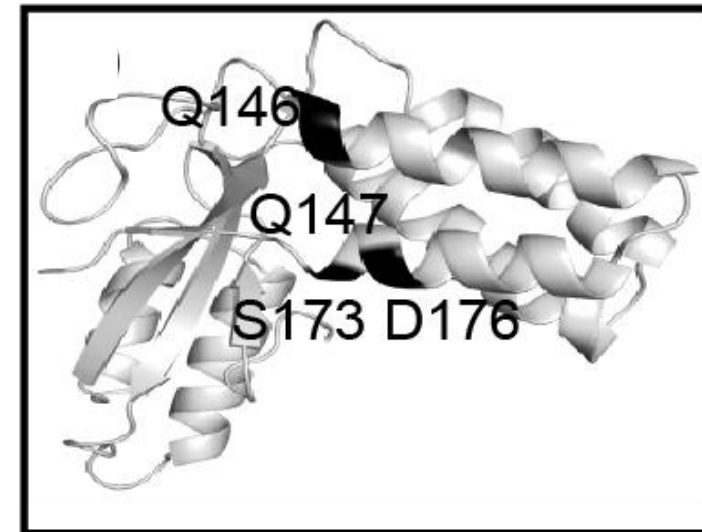


# Interaction between ions and residue

- ❑ Surface exposed acidic and polar residues of protein using Swiss PDB
- ❑ Distributions of distance between ions around residues :  
Pair-correlation function  $g(r)$
- ❑ Distribution of  $Mg^{2+}$  around each residues separately



— Q146  
— Q147  
-- S173  
-- D176

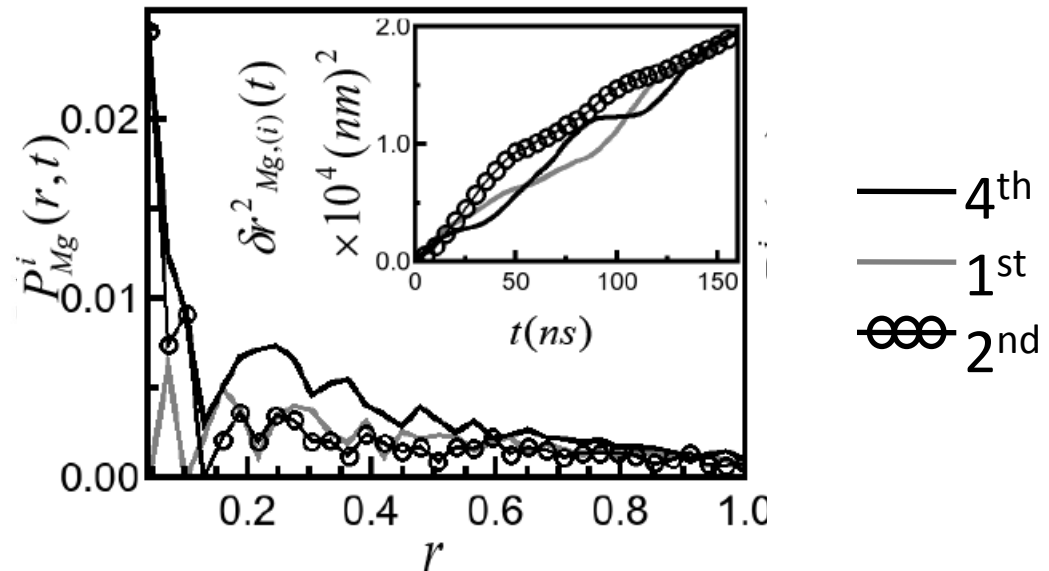
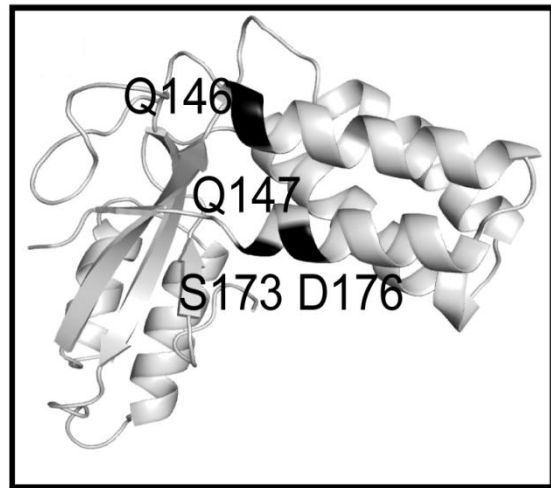


$Mg^{2+}$  charge density  $0.15 \times 10^{11}$  coulomb  $m^{-3}$

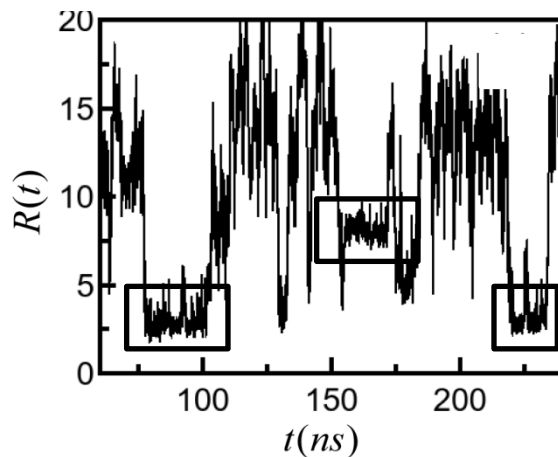
$Ca^{2+}$ : charge density  $0.06 \times 10^{11}$  coulomb  $m^{-3}$

# Mg<sup>2+</sup> trapping patch of STY3178

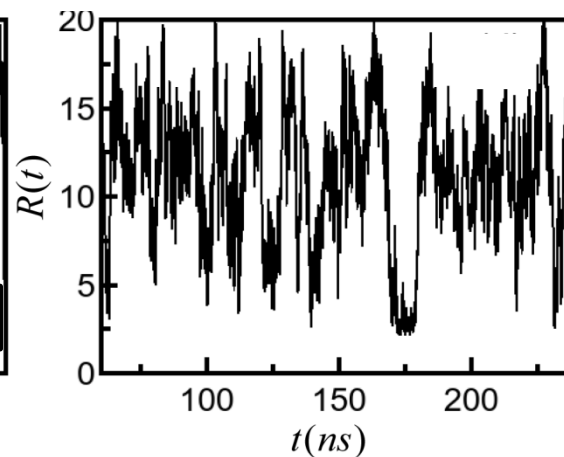
- ❑ Variation of distance between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mg<sup>2+</sup> with respect to surface patch residues



Trapping



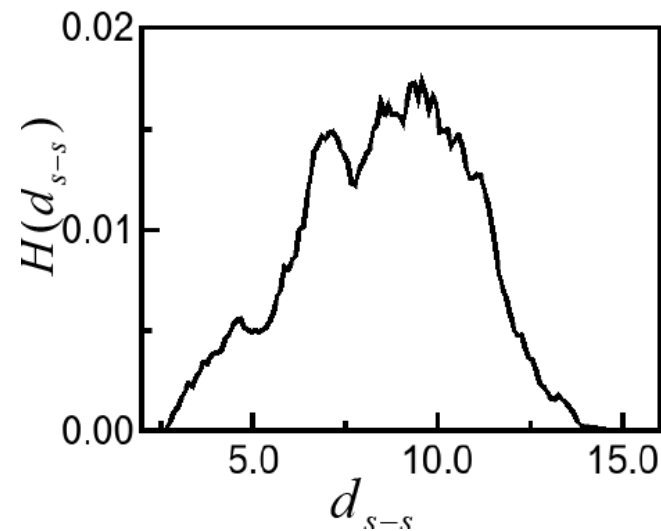
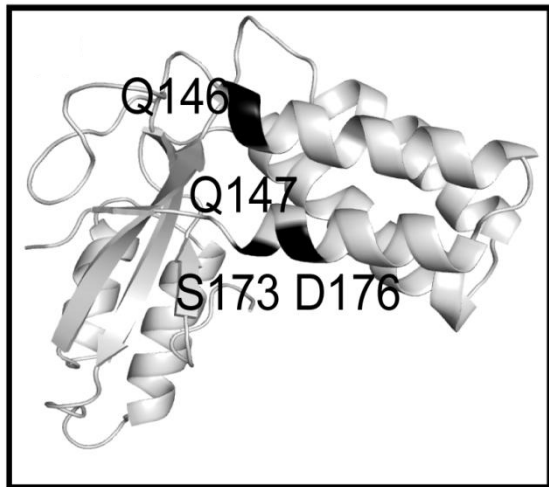
Q146-4<sup>th</sup> Mg<sup>2+</sup>



Q146-2<sup>nd</sup> Mg<sup>2+</sup>

# Inter-atomic distances between surface patch residues

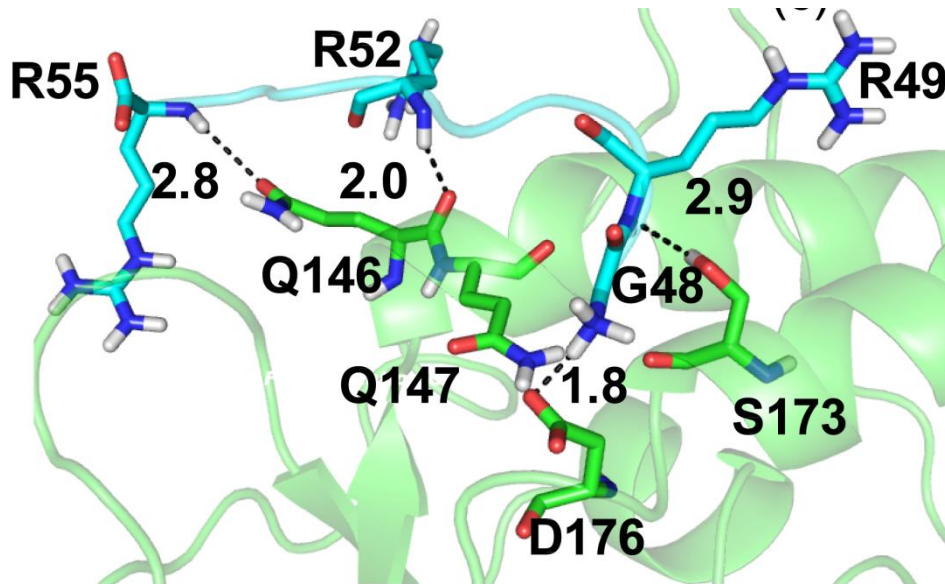
- Mean of inter-atomic distances between C $\alpha$  atoms of adjacent residues (Q146-Q147; S173-D176;  $\sim 6\text{\AA}$ )
- Minimum distance between heavy atoms of side chains of distant pairs ( $d_{s-s}$ - $\sim 5\text{\AA}$ )



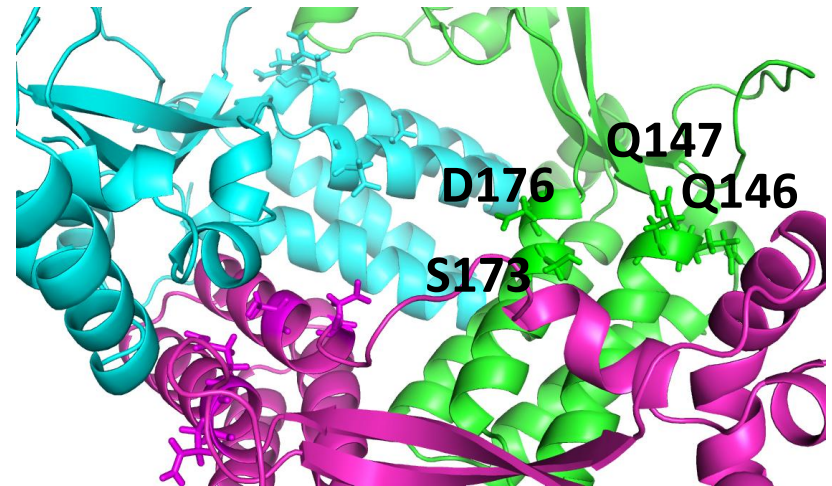
**Q147-D176**

# Binding sites of STY3178

- ❑ Dock basic residue rich peptides (Tat protein) with charge density  $11.12 \times 10^{11}$  coulomb  $\text{m}^{-3}$  to  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  trapping sites of STY3178
- ❑ Hydrogen bonds between two peptides



Binding site of STY3178  
Basic residue rich peptide



Trimeric model of STY3178

# Conclusion

- ❑ Dynamic anomaly of ions
- ❑ Useful approach to reveal binding pocket over protein surface
- ❑ Ligand attached protein: template for novel functional material at nano meter range

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