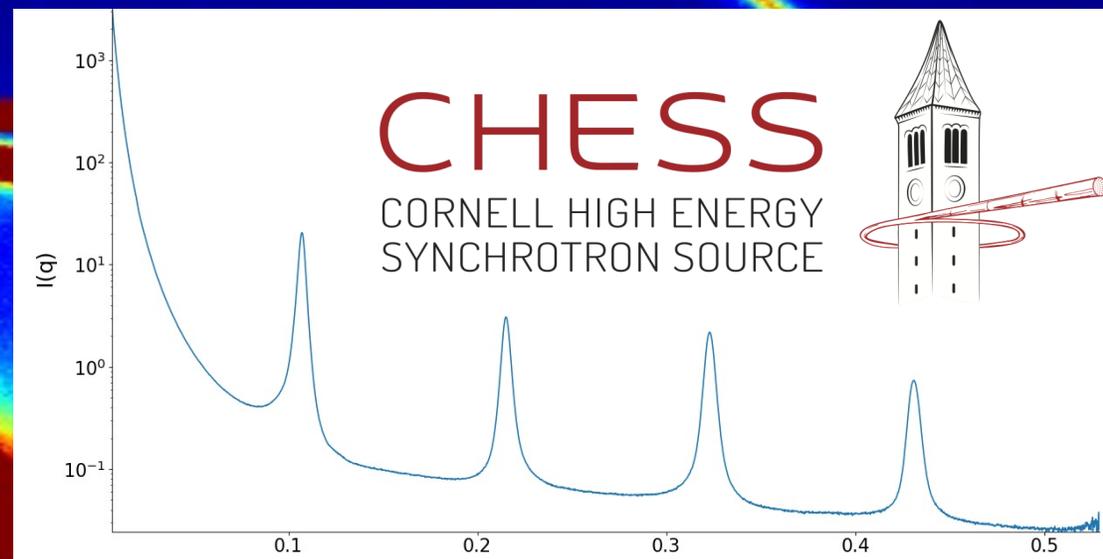
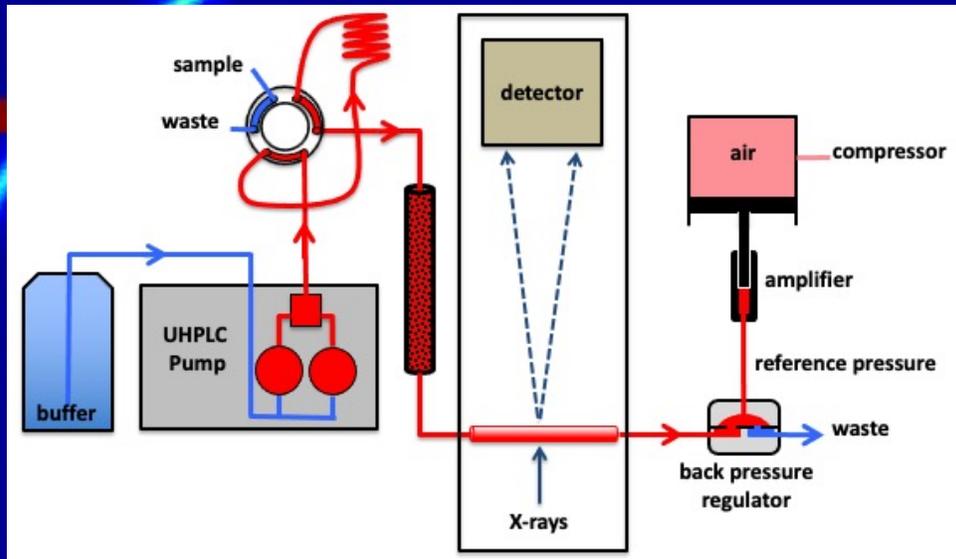
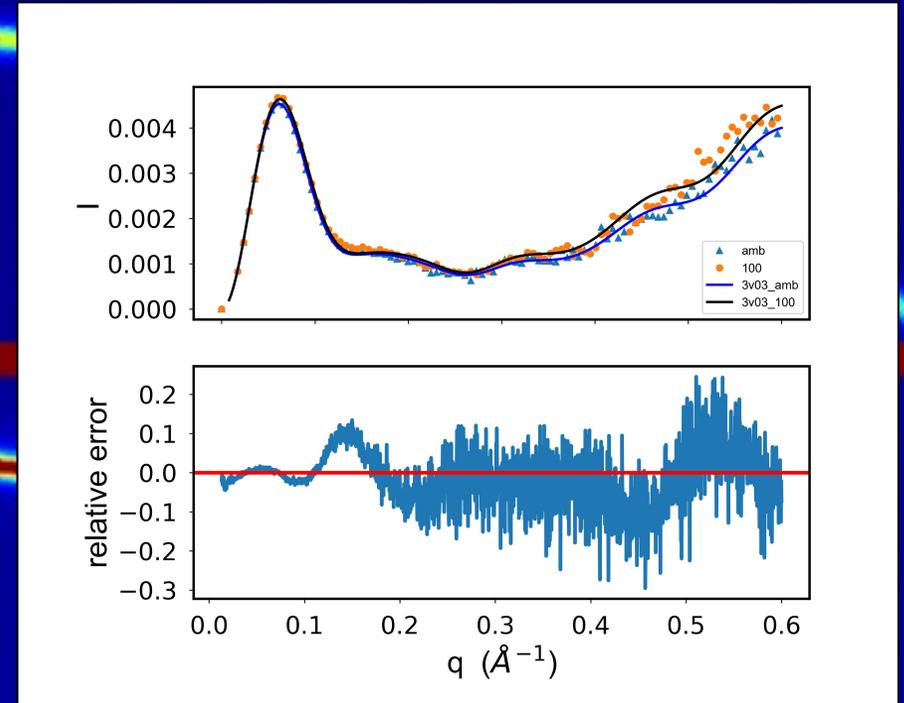
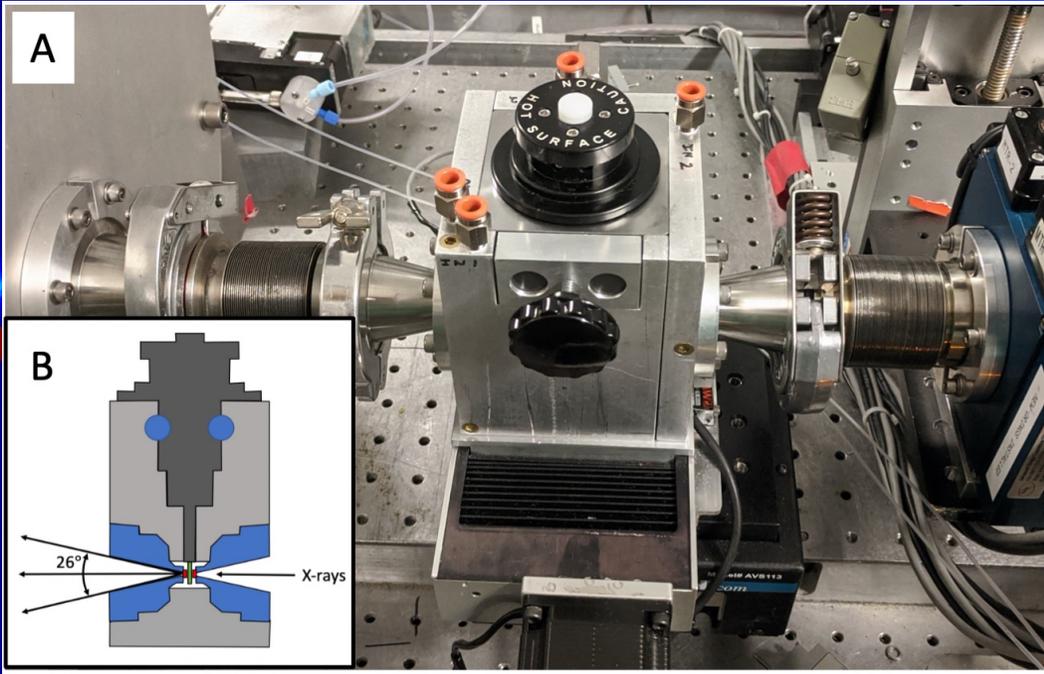


HP-Bio: High Pressure BioSAXS for Deep Life and Extreme Biophysics



Thursday April 29th

Time	Session	Presenter
1:00pm - 1:30pm	Why High pressure?	Cathy Royer (RPI)
1:30pm - 2:00pm	Why SAXS?	Nozomi Ando (Cornell)
2:00pm - 2:45pm	SAXS fundamentals	Thomas
2:45pm - 3:00pm	Break	
3:00pm - 3:30pm	Sample preparation, validation	Watkins
3:30pm-4:15pm	Advanced analysis overview	Meisburger
4:15pm-4:45pm	High Pressure SAXS	Richard Gillilan (CHESS)

Friday April 30th

Time	Session	Presenter
9am- 12pm	SAXS Data Processing Tutorial Tutorial 1 Tutorial 2 Tutorial 3 Example Data (Link to Dropbox)	(Gillilan, Hopkins, Skou, Ando Lab)
1pm - 5pm	Remote HP SAXS Data Acquisition Session I.	

Saturday, May 1st

Time	Session	Presenter
9am - 1pm	Remote HP SAXS Data Acquisition Session II	
2pm - 6pm	Data Analysis Help Sessions	



Importance of high-pressure biology and growing research community

- Biophysics
 - ✓ Folding
 - ✓ Protein-protein interactions
 - ✓ Catalysis/biochemistry
- High pressure processing (HPP)
 - ✓ Food science
 - ✓ Pharma
- Deep life
 - ✓ Strategies for adaptation
 - ✓ Limits of life/astrobiology
 - ✓ Rules of life
 - ✓ Novel tools for Mol. Bio.
 - ✓ Evolutionary history

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The Molecular Basis for Life in Extreme Environments

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Thinking about Pressure

Unit	MPa	atm*	bar	psi
MPa	1	9.8692	10	145.03
		...		
atm		1	1.01325	14.695
				...
bar			1	14.503
				...



Soda can
0.3 MPa (3 atm)



lab gas cylinder
20 MPa (200 atm)



PEEK tubing bursts
48 MPa (480 atm)

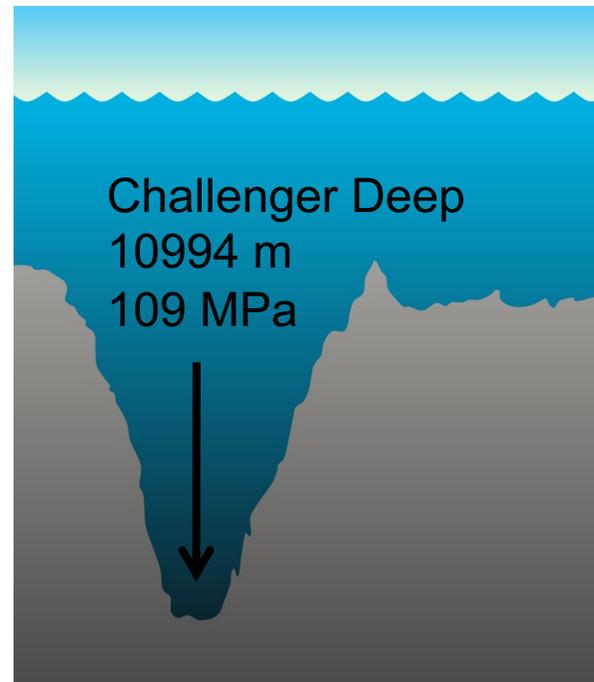


Common metal
pipes burst
55-120 Mpa
(550-1200 atm)

*"standard atmosphere" (atm) - defined by CGPM in 1954
 1 torr (symbol = Torr) = 1/760 atm (CGPM, 1954)
 "standard pressure" in STP = 1 bar (IUPAC in 1982)

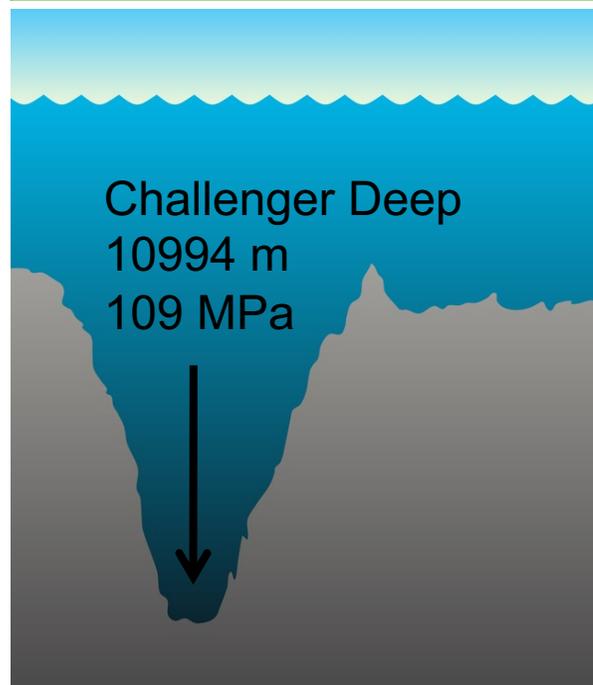
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bar			1	14.5
psi				1



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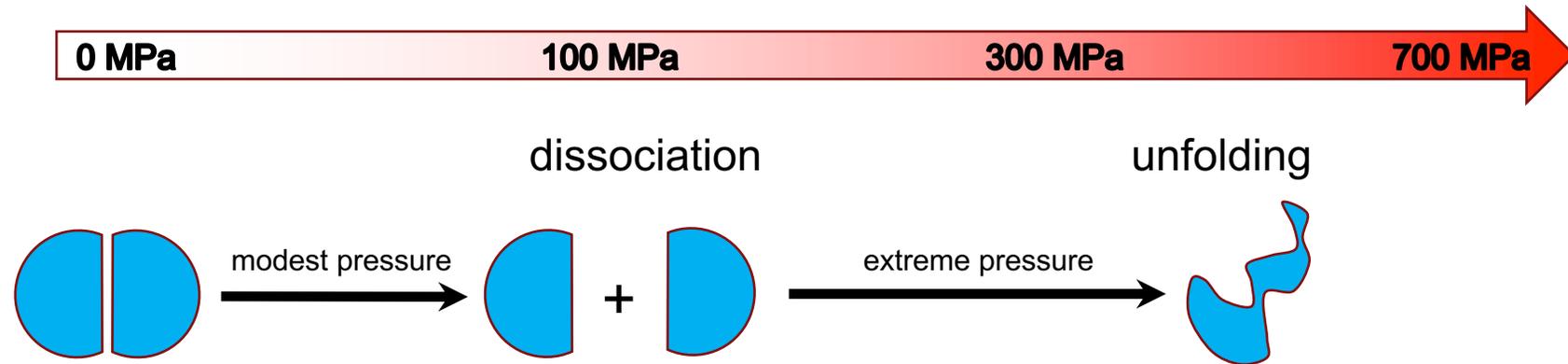
Water Depth
10 meters = 1 bar

Density +4.5%
(1 kbar, 5°C)

Viscosity -5%
(1 kbar, 5°C)

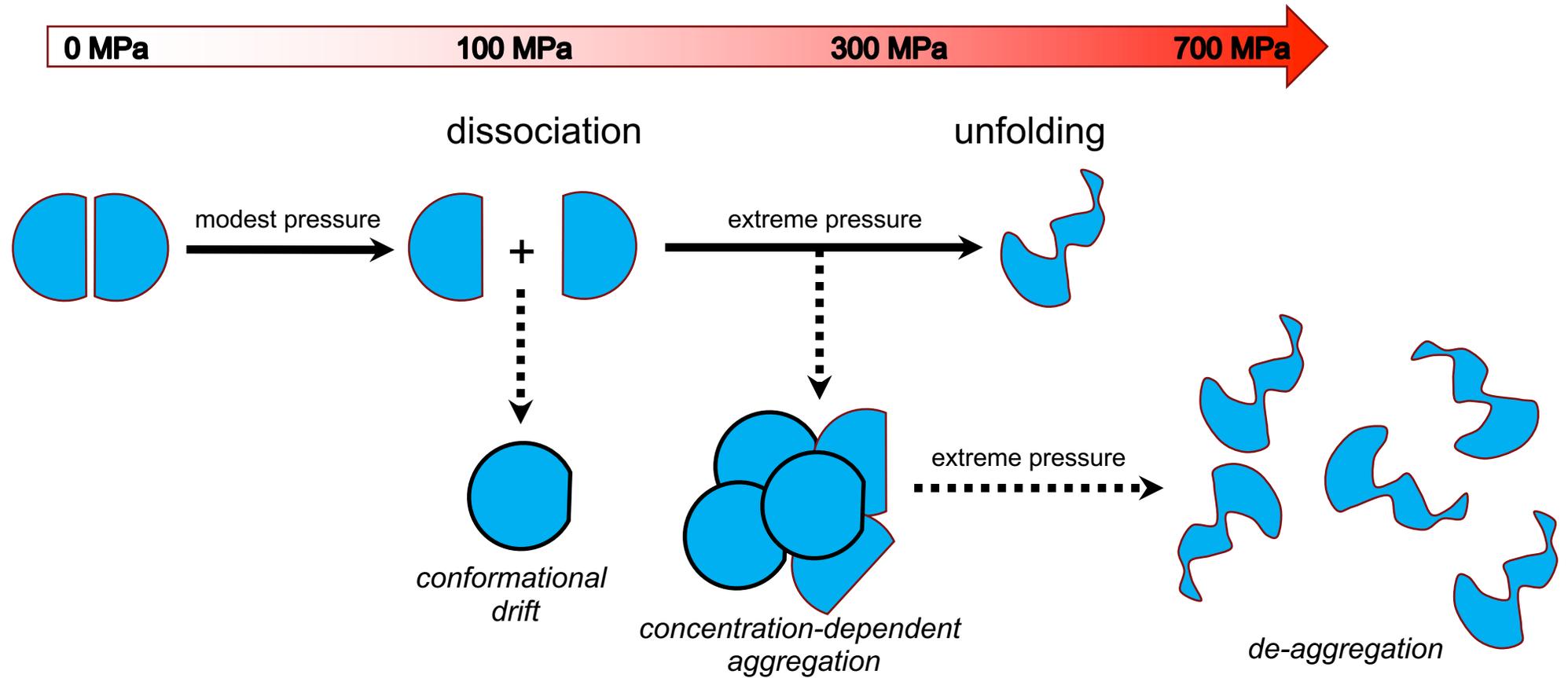


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Equilibrium is shifted by pressure according to how much the volume changes

$$K_p = \left(\frac{[A][B]}{[AB]} \right)_{\text{pressure} = p}$$

$R = 8.314 \times 10^{-2}$ ideal gas constant (L x bar x K⁻¹ x mol⁻¹)
T = 295 K
P = 2000 bar
Suppose $\Delta V = -30$ cm³/mol

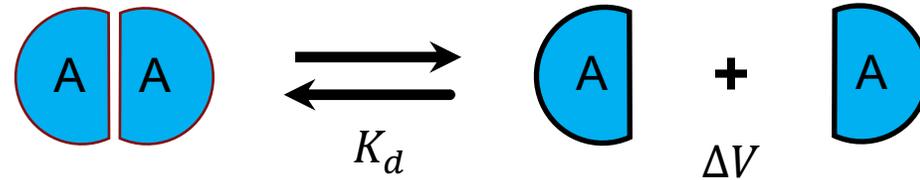
P (MPa)	K _p /K ₁
100	3.4
200	11.6
300	39.2
400	133.2

$$\frac{K_p}{K_1} = e^{-\frac{\Delta V}{RT}(p-1)} = e^{0.03 \times 1999 / (0.083 \times 295)} = 11.6$$

* Winter R. Annual Review of Biophysics. 2019;48(1):441-63.



Pressure-induced dissociation and conformational drift



$$K_d = \frac{[A]^2}{[AA]}$$

$$\ln \left[\frac{\alpha}{1 - \alpha} \right] = p \left(\frac{\Delta V}{RT} \right) + \ln \left(\frac{K_d}{4C} \right) \longrightarrow K_d, \Delta V$$

α = extent of dissociation

Linear fit of pressure series gives volume change and dissociation constant

*Weber, G. *Protein interactions*. (Chapman and Hall, 1992).

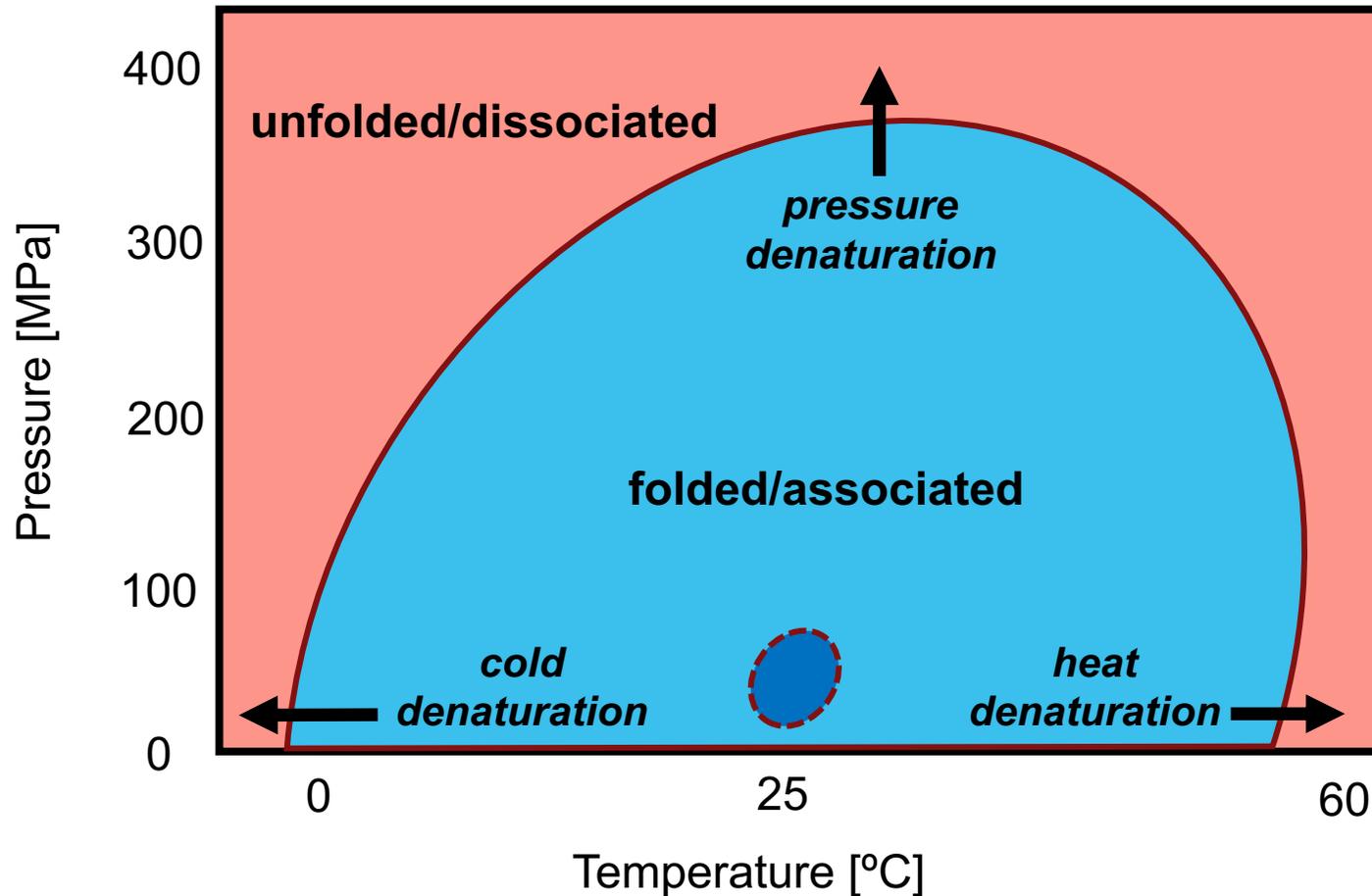
$$\Delta p = \left(\frac{RT}{\Delta V_c} \right) \ln \left(\frac{C_2}{C_1} \right) \longrightarrow \Delta V_c$$

- Conformational drift
- Conformational heterogeneity
- Pressure hysteresis
- Concentration independent
- “deterministic”

Botelho MG, Rietveld AWM, Ferreira ST. 2006. Long-Lived Conformational Isomerism of Protein Dimers: The Role of the Free Energy of Subunit Association. *Biophysical Journal*. 91(8):2826–32



Thermodynamics of stability



Smeller, L. Pressure–temperature phase diagrams of biomolecules. *Biochimica et Biophysica Acta (BBA) - Protein Structure and Molecular Enzymology* **1595**, 11–29 (2002).

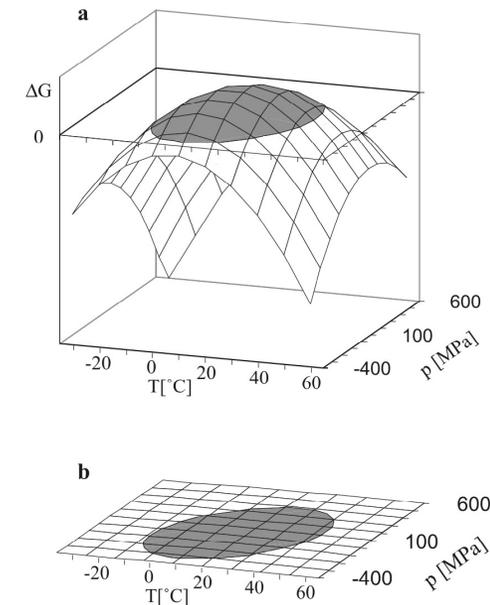


Fig. 3. (a) ΔG as a function of temperature and pressure for chymotrypsinogen, using the parameters determined by Hawley.

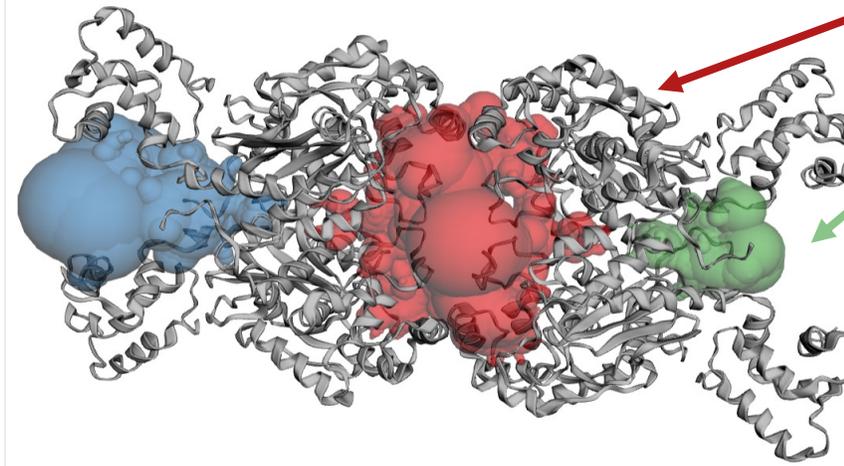
*Hawley's equation of state: (1) S. A. Hawley, *Biochemistry* **1971**, 10 (13), 2436–2442.

$\Delta G(P, T) = \text{const}$ curves are elliptical



Anything a biomolecule does changes its volume!

- Hydrogen bonds strengthened
- Buried salt bridges weakened
- Hydration altered
- Hydrophobic interactions change
- Packing is altered (cavities, unfolding)

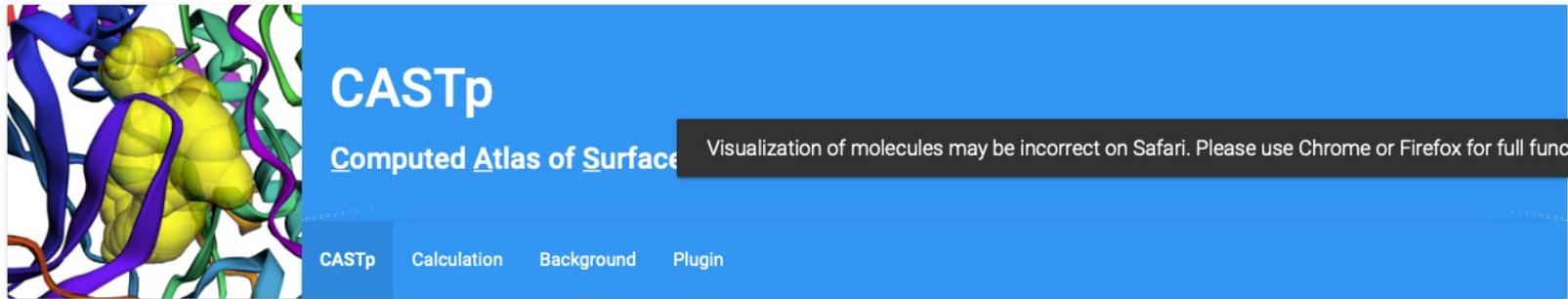


Pressure-induced changes can reveal voids and imperfect packing

*GAC (from Durgesh Rai calc.)

- Pressure unfolding of proteins
- Multimer association/disassociation
- Changes in ligand binding
- Altered membrane ion transduction
- Changes in transcription of nucleic acids
- Large shifts in chemical kinetic constants
- Changes in conformational states
- Greatly decreased viral infectivity

Winter, R. (2019). "Interrogating the Structural Dynamics and Energetics of Biomolecular Systems with Pressure Modulation." Annual Review of Biophysics **48**(1): 441-463.



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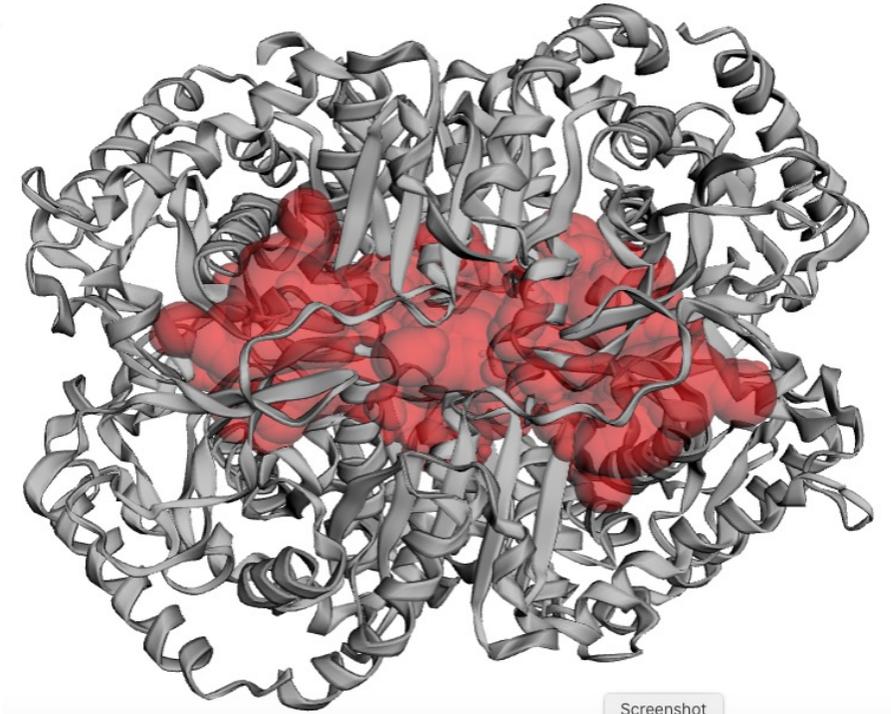
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What can SAXS tell us about pressure-induced structural changes?



Intensity of a SAXS pattern

$$I(q) \propto M c (\rho_1 - \rho_2)^2 F(q) S(q)$$

M – molecular weight

c – concentration (mg/ml)

ρ – “scattering density”: particle (ρ_1), solvent (ρ_2)

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ρ

Contrast variation is actually useful in neutron scattering, but is a potential problem in SAXS.

- keep salt and buffer < 1M

- keep glycerol < 10-15%

- be careful with protein+RNA/DNA

- avoid detergent/lipids

Component	e/nm ³	g/cm ³	Mol. Wt.	e/molec
H ₂ O	334	1	18	10
Protein	420			
100% glycerol	413	1.261	92	50
50% sucrose	400			
LD amorphous ice	321	0.96	18	10
HD amorphous ice	391	1.17	18	10
lipid	300			
65% sucrose	420			
nucleic acid	550			
ethylene glycol	368	1.1132	62	34
propylene glycol	344	1.036	76.1	42
ethanol	269	0.789	46	26
octane	245	0.703	114	66



Intensity of a SAXS Profile

$$I(q) = \eta T d \frac{P}{r^2} \left[\frac{v^2 \Delta\rho^2}{N_a} M c FF(q) SF(q) \right]$$

η quantum efficiency of detector (dimensionless)

T x-ray transmission of sample (dimensionless)

d thickness of sample (cm)

P incident photon flux (ph/s on sample)

r sample-to-detector distance (cm)

M molecular mass (g/mol)

N_a Avogadro's number = 6.023×10^{23} (mol⁻¹)

v specific volume of solute (cm³/g)

$\Delta\rho$ excess scattering length density (cm/cm³)

c concentration of solute (g/cm³)

$FF(q)$ molecular form factor (dimensionless, $FF(0)=1$)

$SF(q)$ sample structure factor (dimensionless, $SF(0)=1$)

*Wang, C., Lin, Y., Bougie, D., & Gillilan, R. E. (2018).. *Acta Cryst. D*, 74(8), 727-738



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$\rho_P = \text{density at pressure P}$

$$c = c_0 \frac{\rho_0}{\rho_P}$$

$$\Delta \rho = \left[\rho_{M, \text{sample}} / v - \rho_{\text{buffer}} \right] \times r_0$$

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$$\beta_T = -\frac{1}{v} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial P} \right)_T \ll 1$$

Isothermal compressibility
very meaningful, but small



Intensity of a SAXS Profile

$$\frac{I(0)_{pressure}}{I(0)_{ambient}} = r_V \frac{(\rho_{protein} - r_V \rho_{buffer})^2}{(\rho_{protein} - \rho_{buffer})^2} \quad r_V = V_{ambient}/V_{pressure}$$

$$\rho_{water} = 3.3 \times 10^{21} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$\rho_{protein} = 4.4 \times 10^{21} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

Notice: r_0 's cancel!

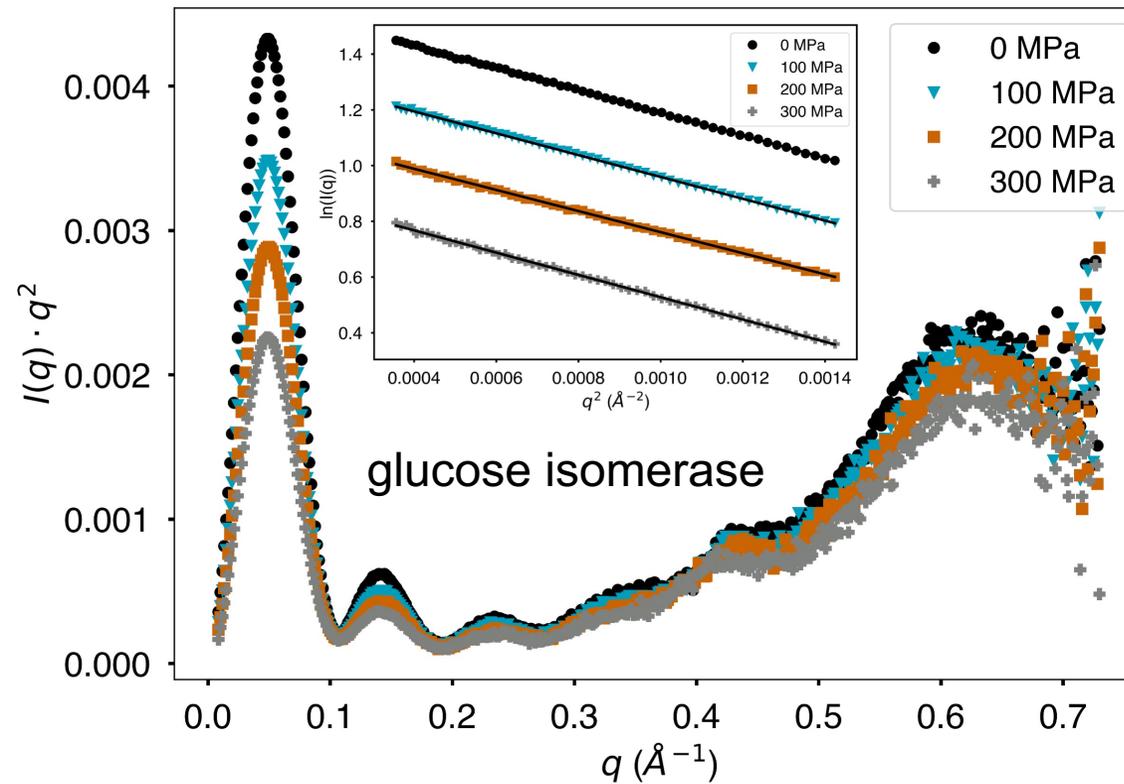
Pressure (MPa)	r_V (25 °C)	$I_{pressure}/I_{ambient}$
100	1.04	0.805
200	1.08	0.624
300	1.10	0.539
400	1.13	0.420



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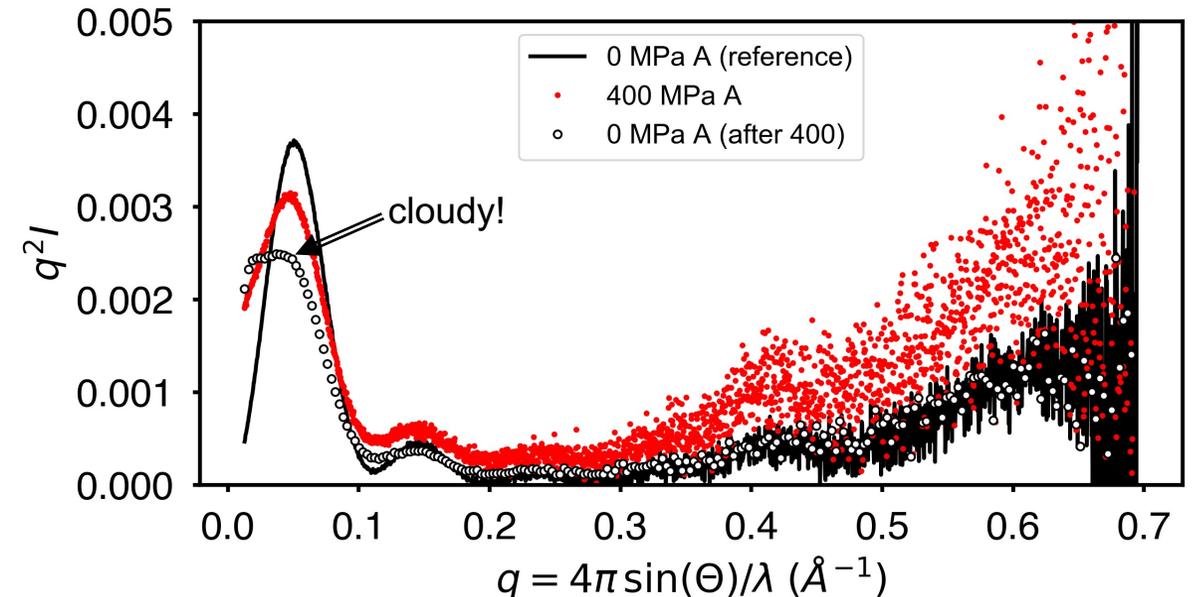
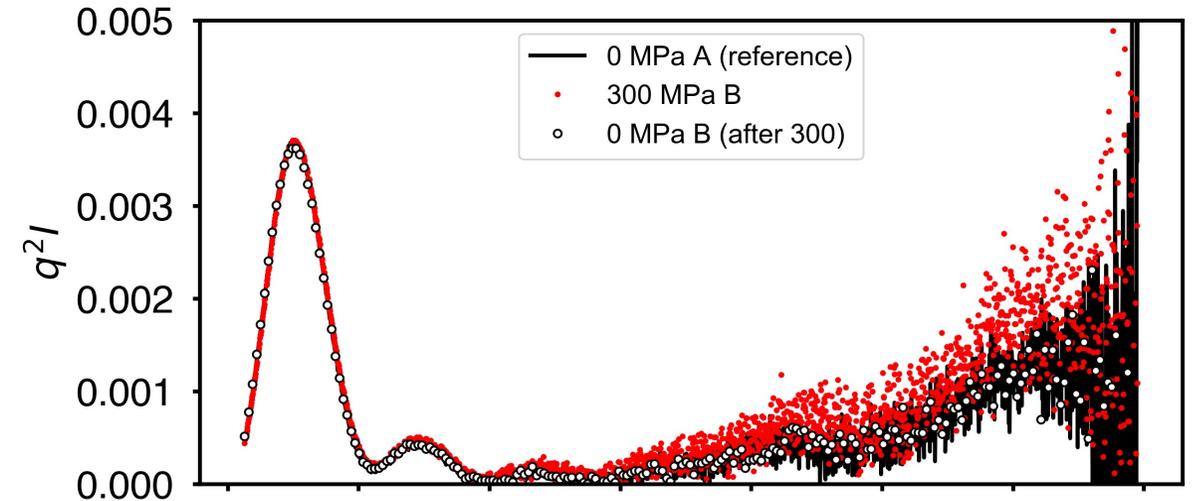
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Concentrated glucose isomerase (17.9 mg/ml)

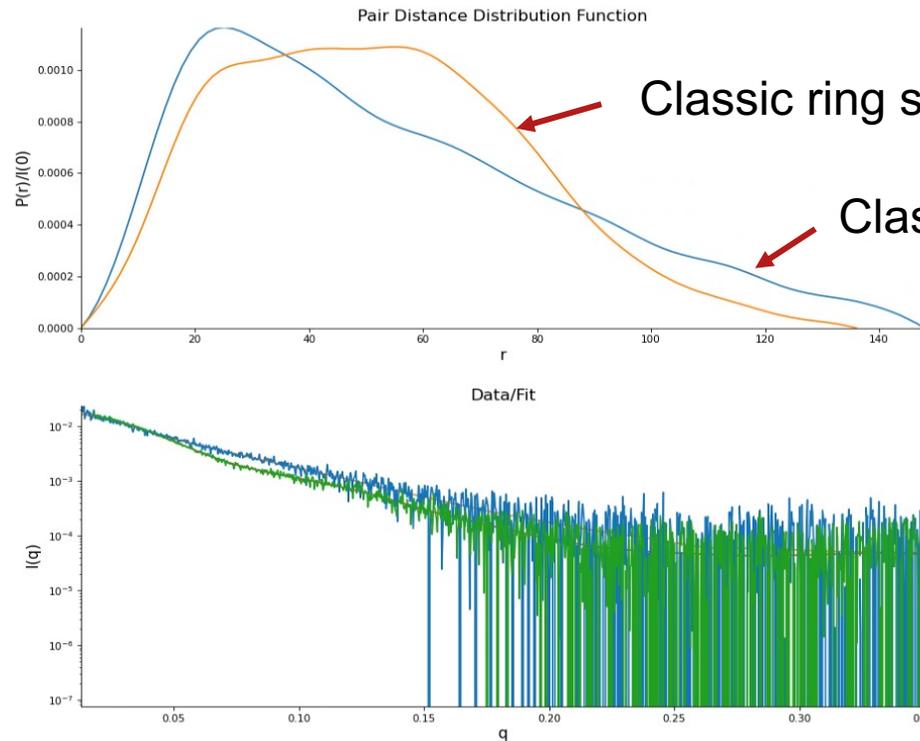
- Don't expect arbitrary proteins, especially stable standards, to do anything interesting under pressure.
- Unless you apply **extreme** pressure
- Concentrated solutions may aggregate
- High-resolution changes appear reversible



* GI is known to dissociate into distorted dimers under denaturing conditions. Tetramers have also been re-constituted.

Ghatge, M. S.; Phadatar, S. U.; Bodhe, A. M.; Deshpande, V. V. Unfolding and Refolding of Glucose/Xylose Isomerase from *Streptomyces* Sp. NCIM 2730. *Enzyme and Microbial Technology* 1994, 16 (4), 323–327.

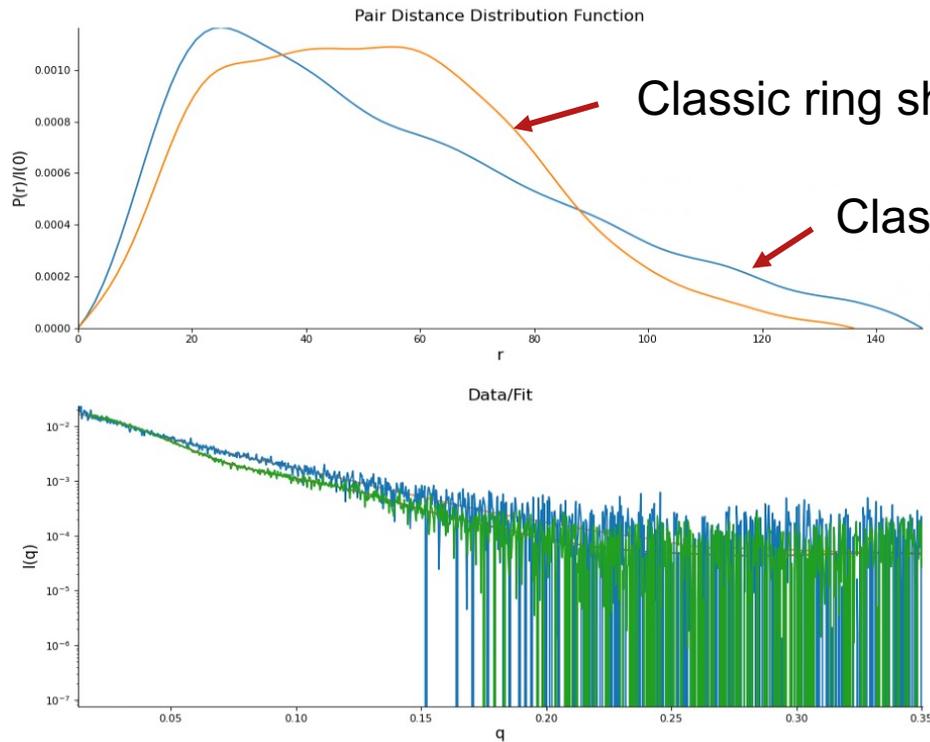
Pressure dissociation



Classic ring shape (0 MPa): this is the known trimer

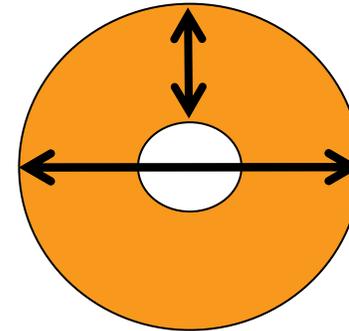
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* Ying Li sample (Abbaspourrad)

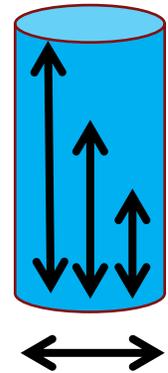


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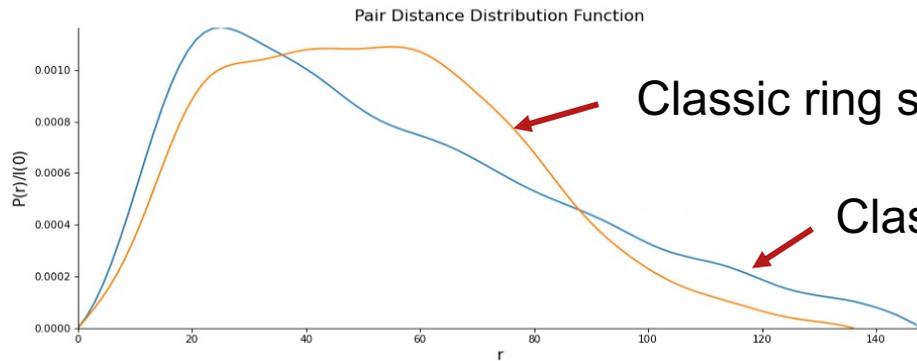


Ring: has two length scales the show up as two peaks in the $P(r)$.



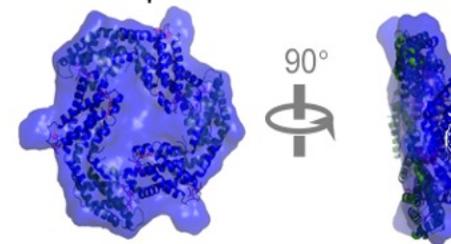
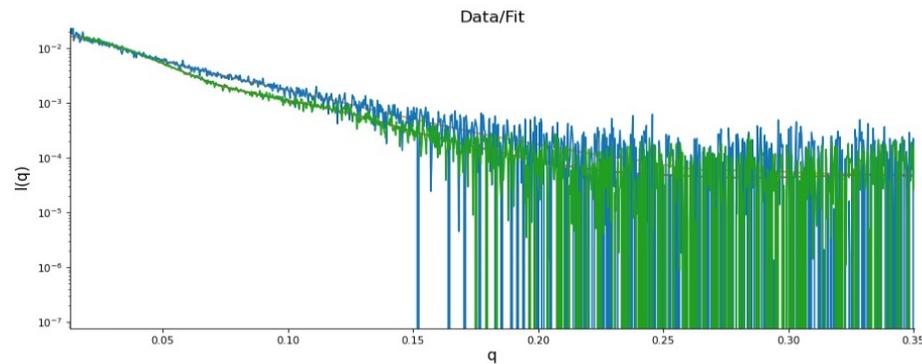
Cylinder: one of the two size scales is a linear distribution of lengths. $P(r)$ has one peak which falls linearly to zero.

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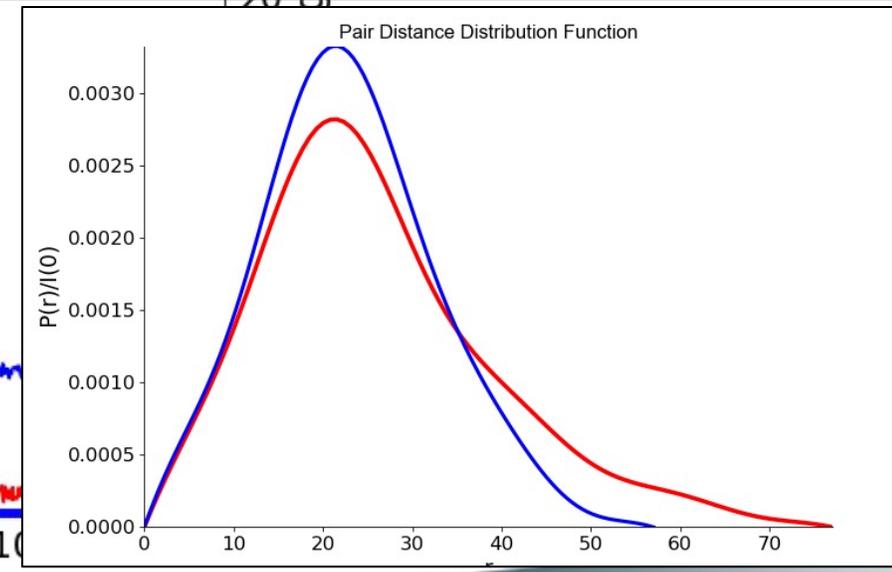
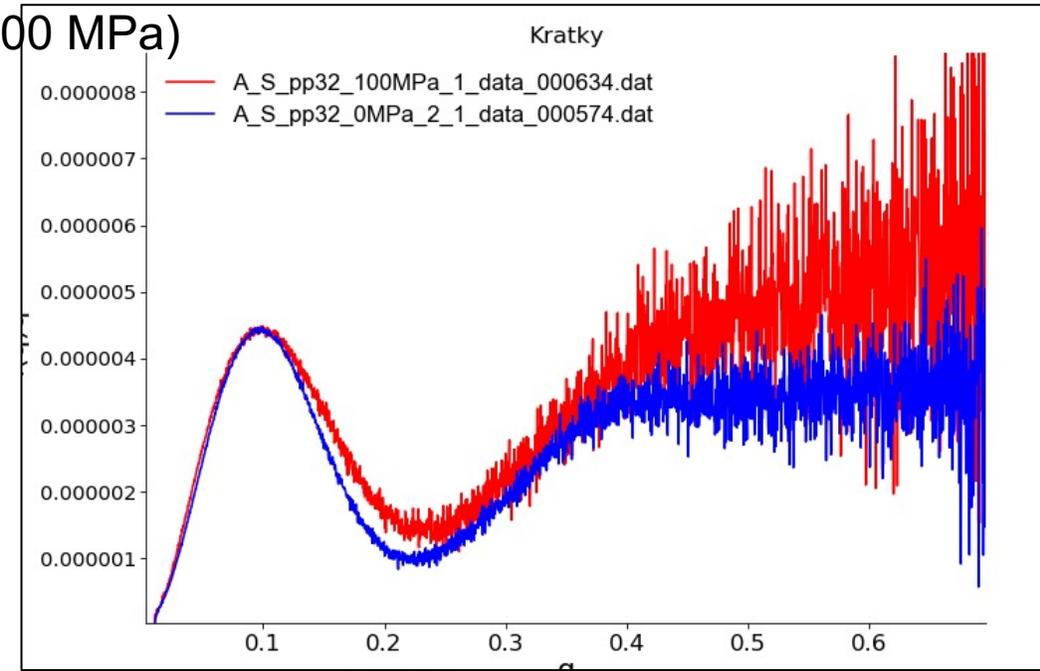
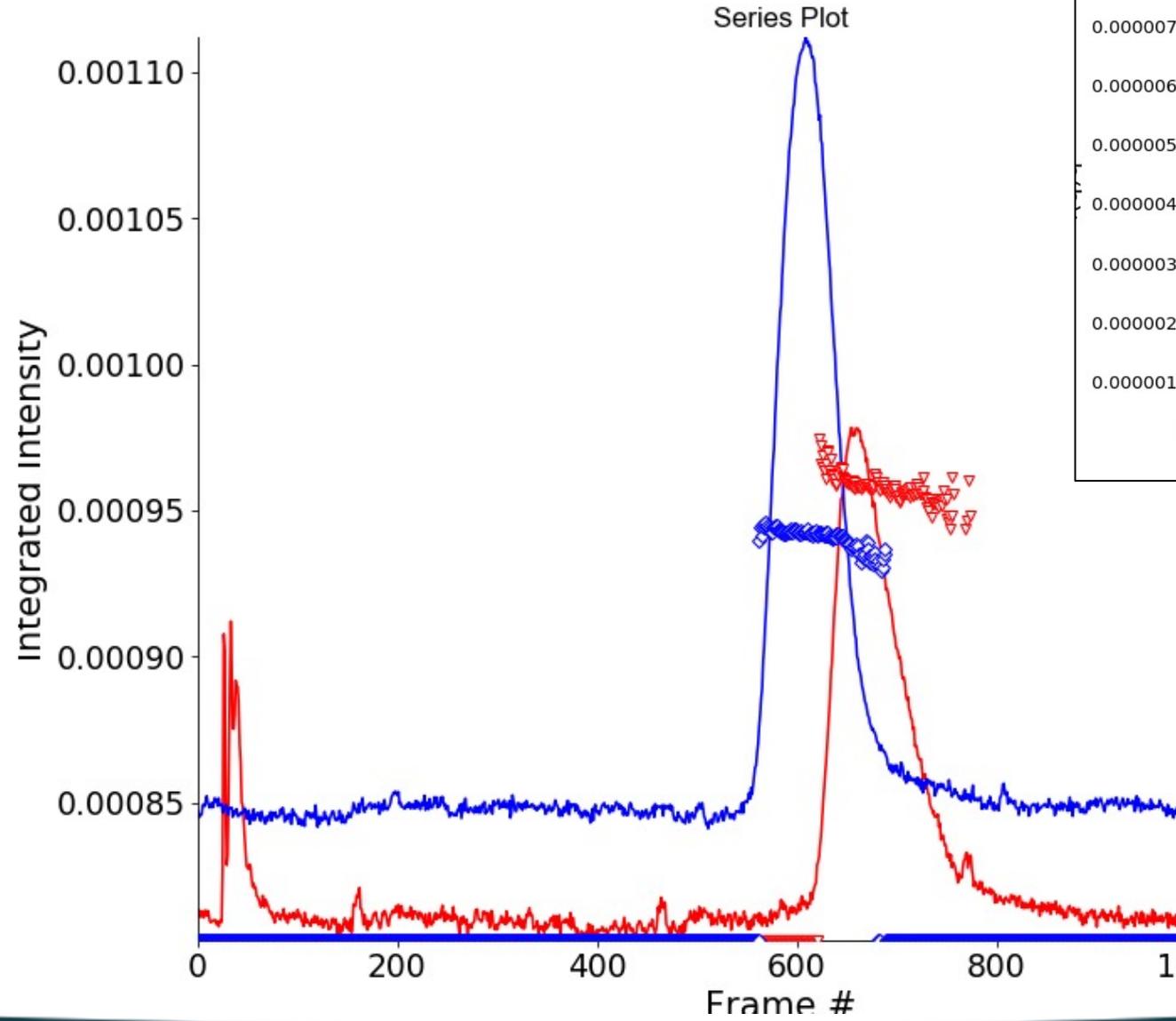


Known ambient (0 Mpa) structure: trimer

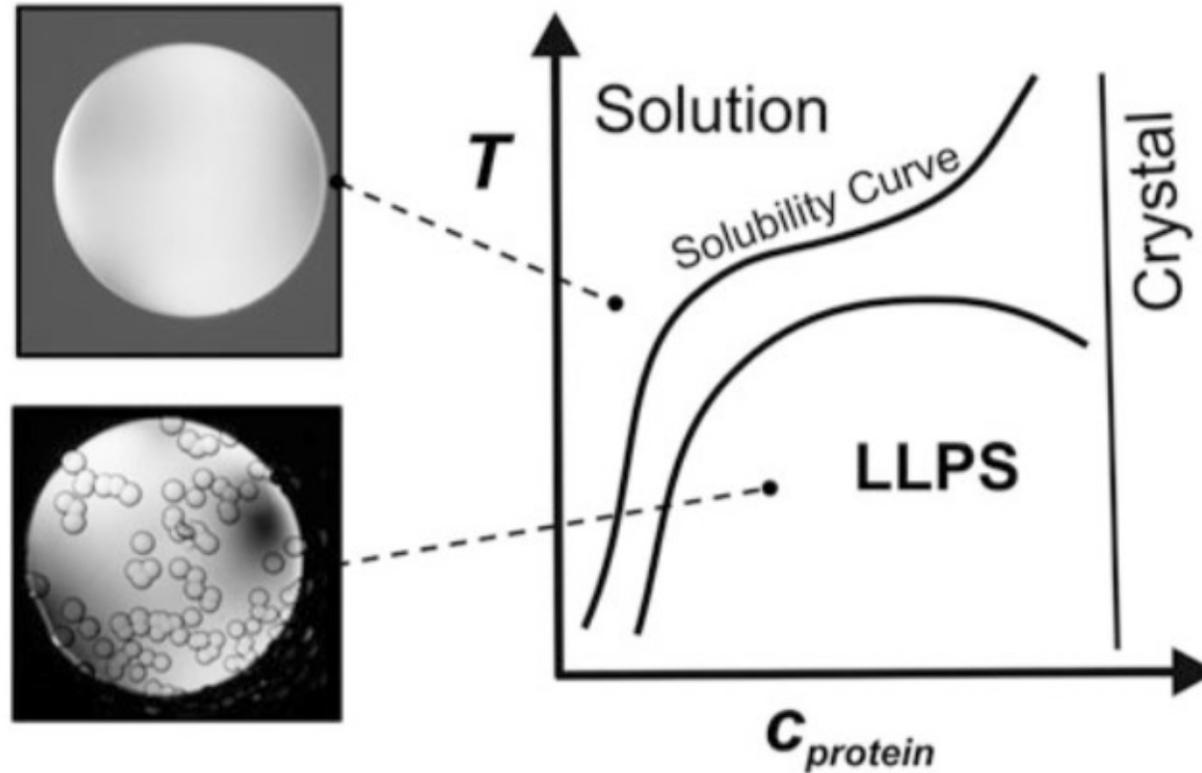
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You will find this dataset included with the Rest of the tutorial data!

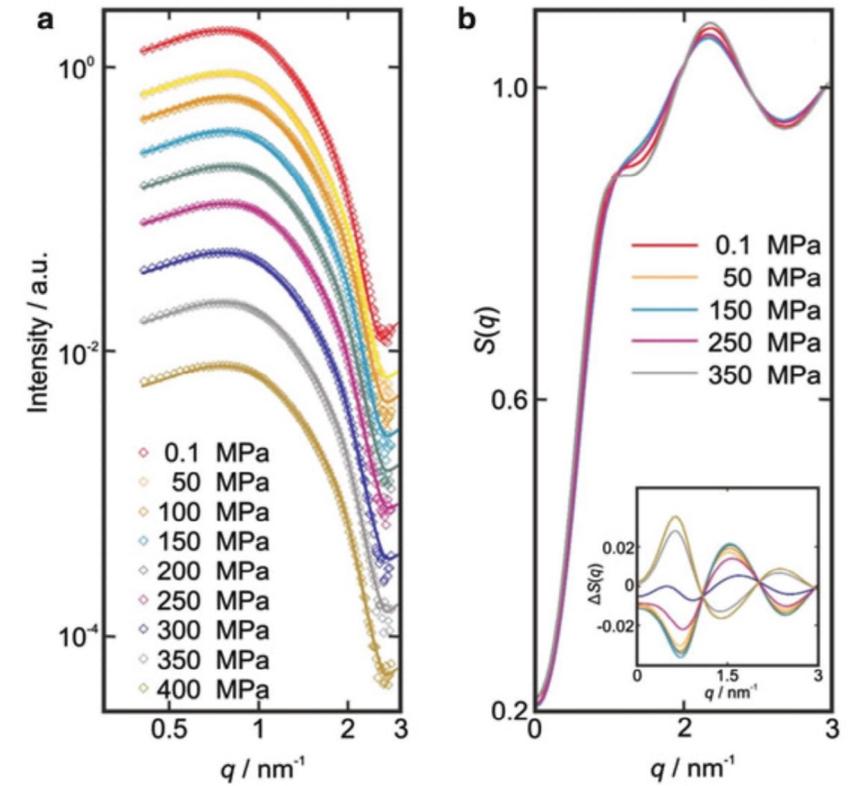
Pp32 HP-SEC-SAXS (0 vs 100 MPa)



LLPS – Liquid Liquid Phase Separation



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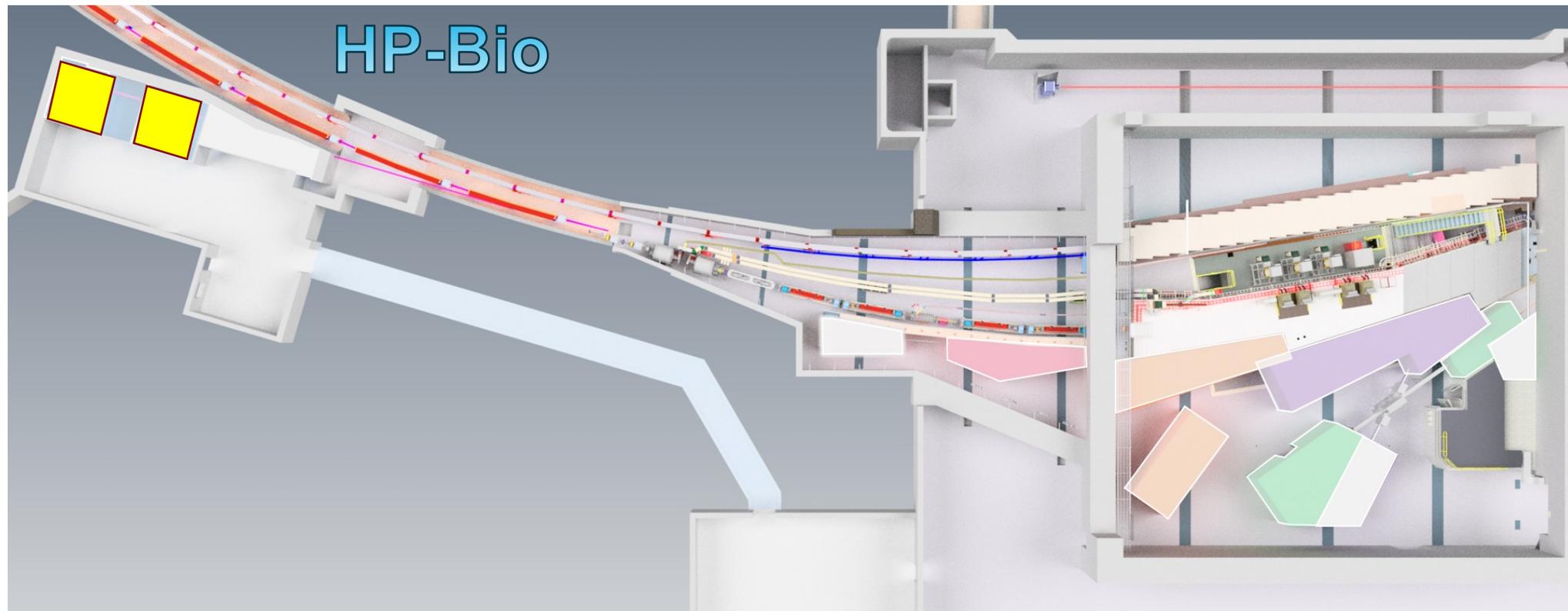


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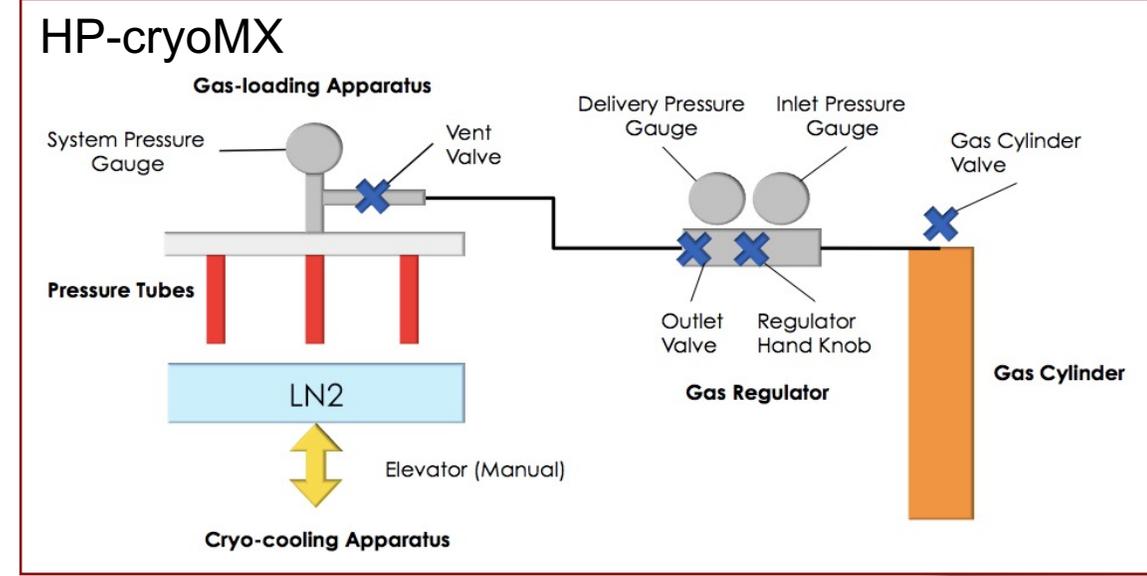
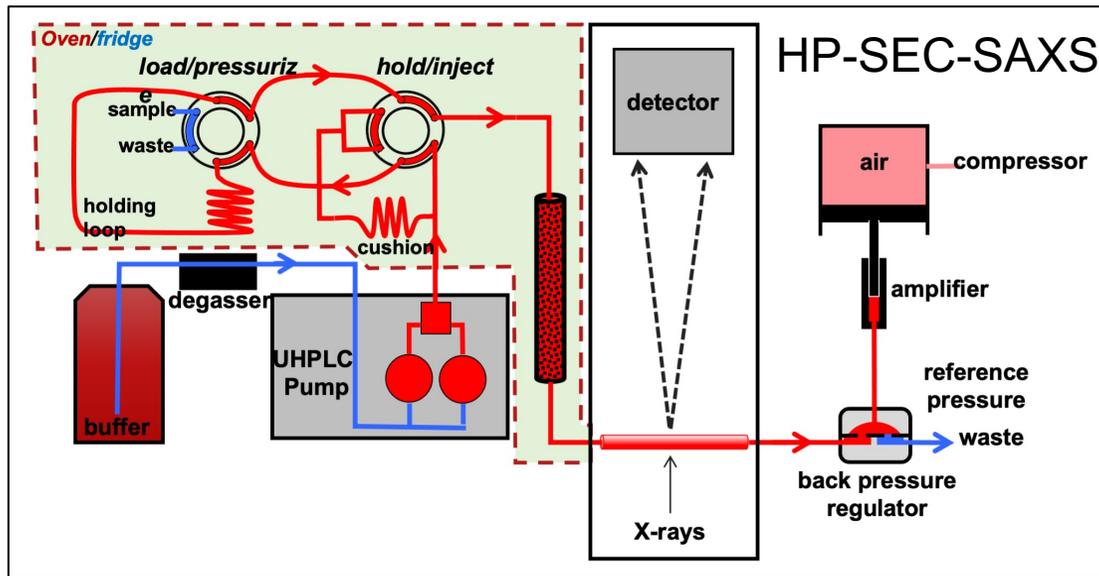
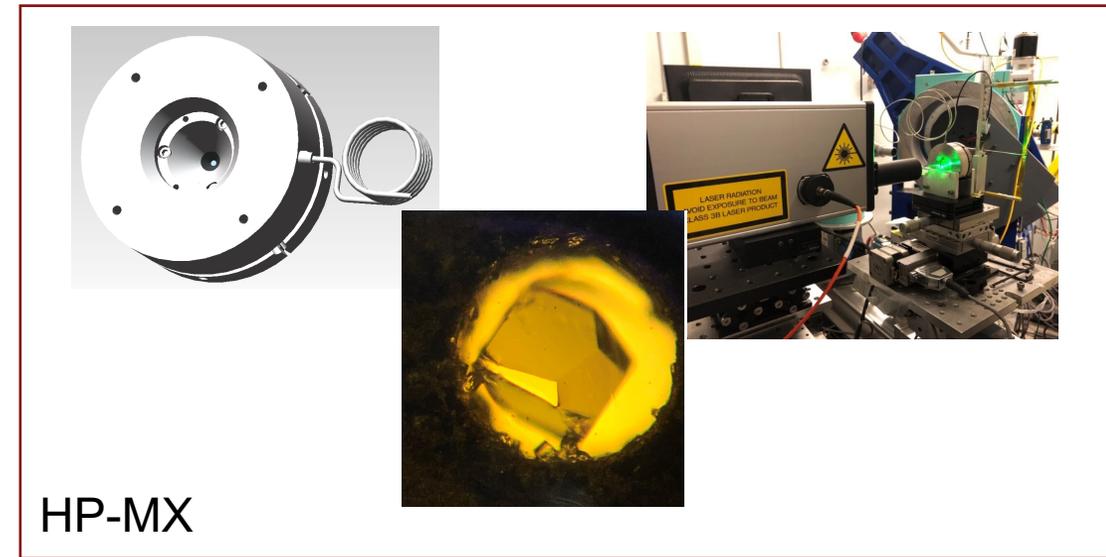
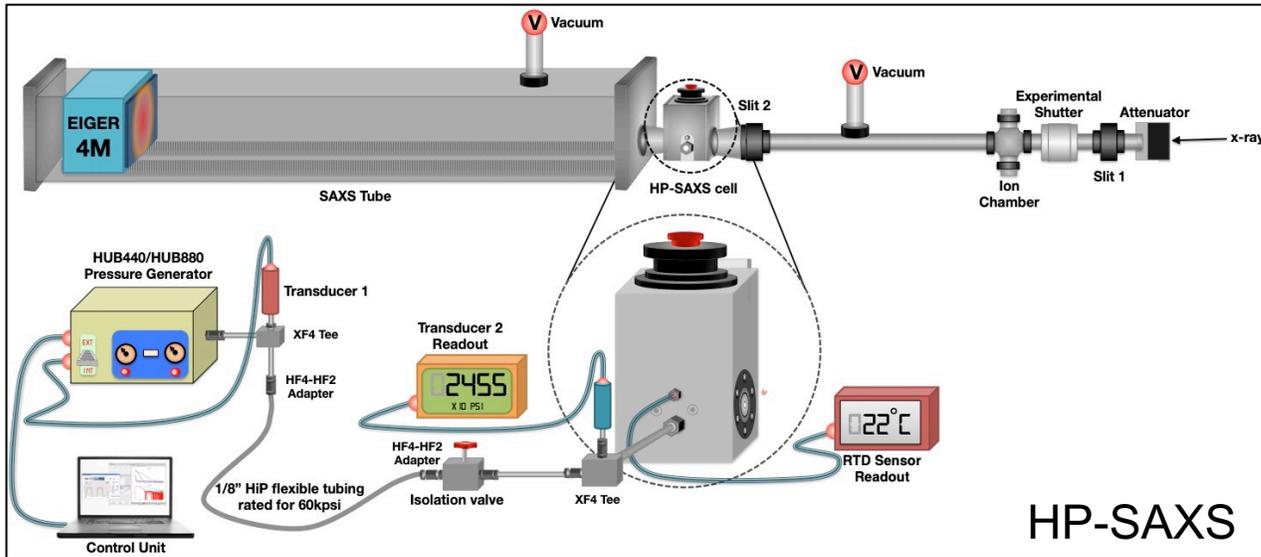
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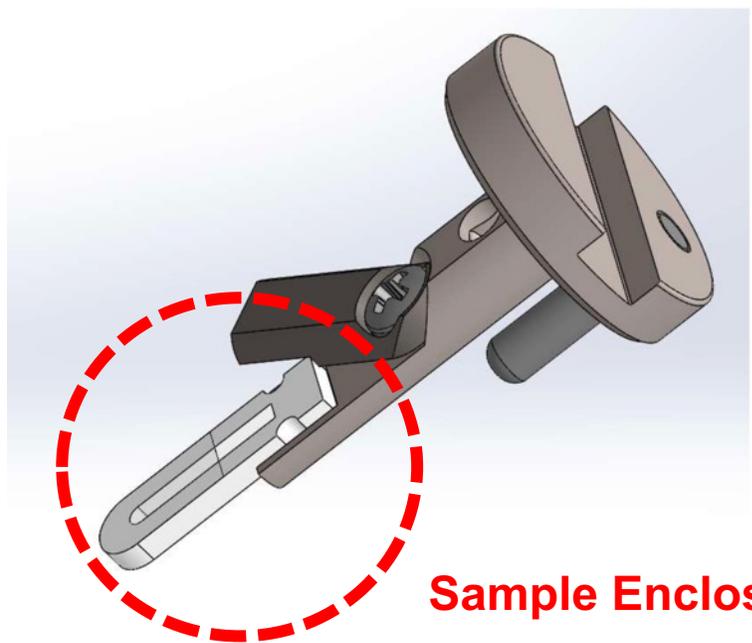
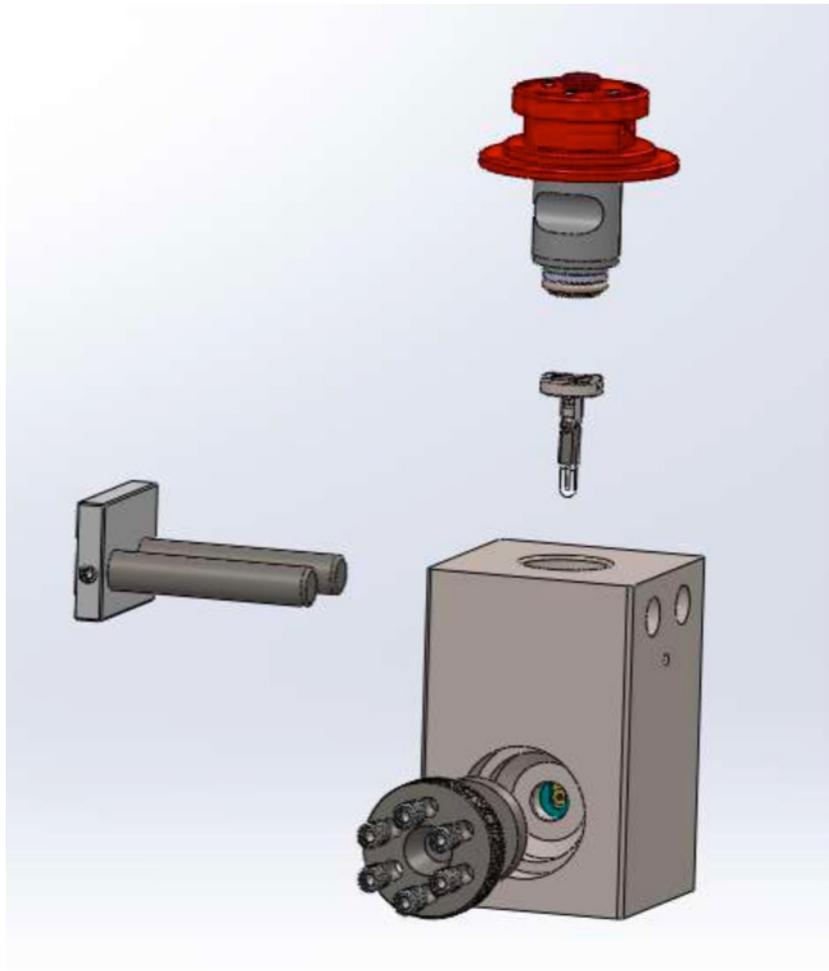


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High Pressure Structural Biology Instrumentation: HP-MX, HP-SAXS





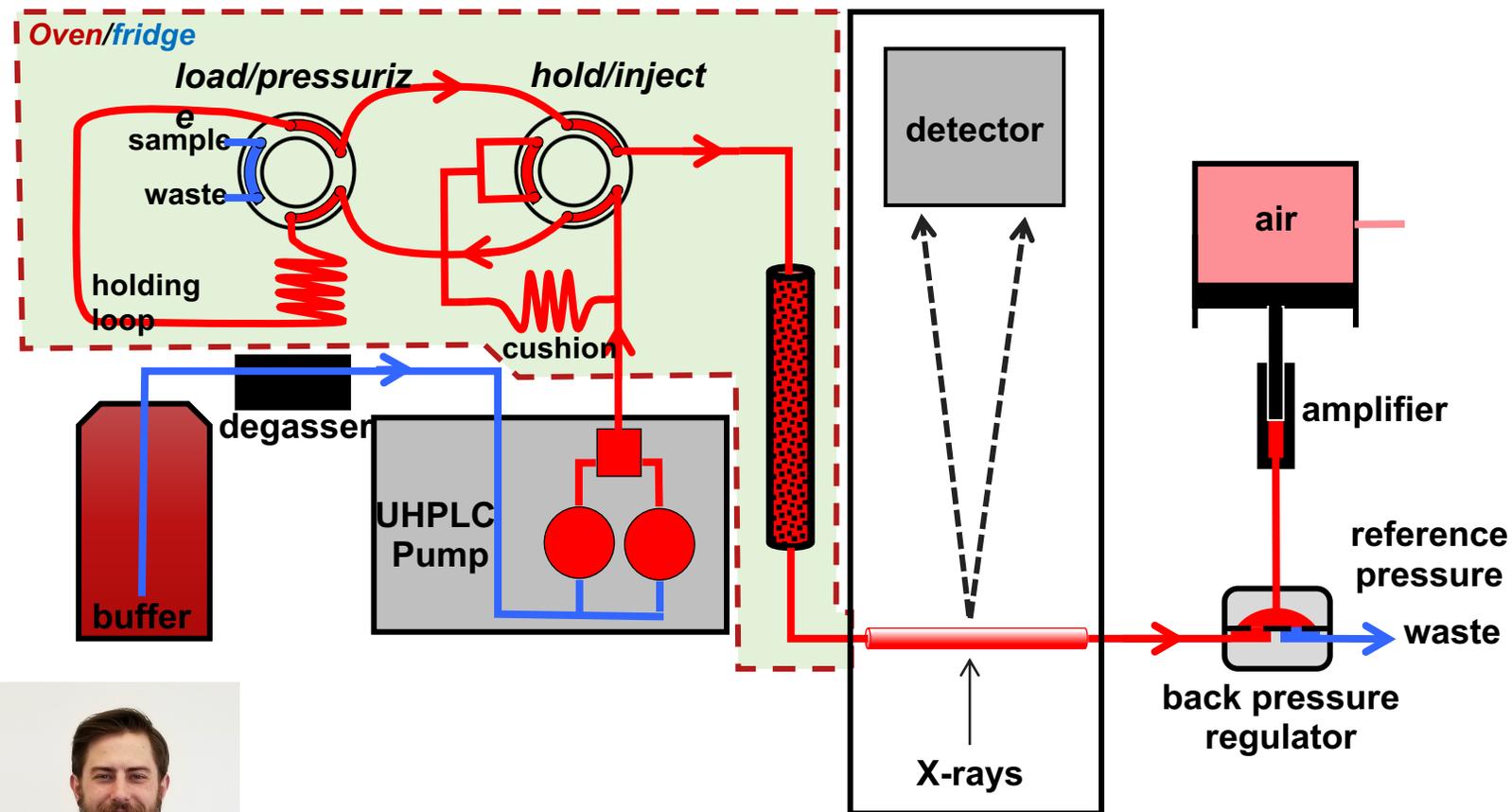
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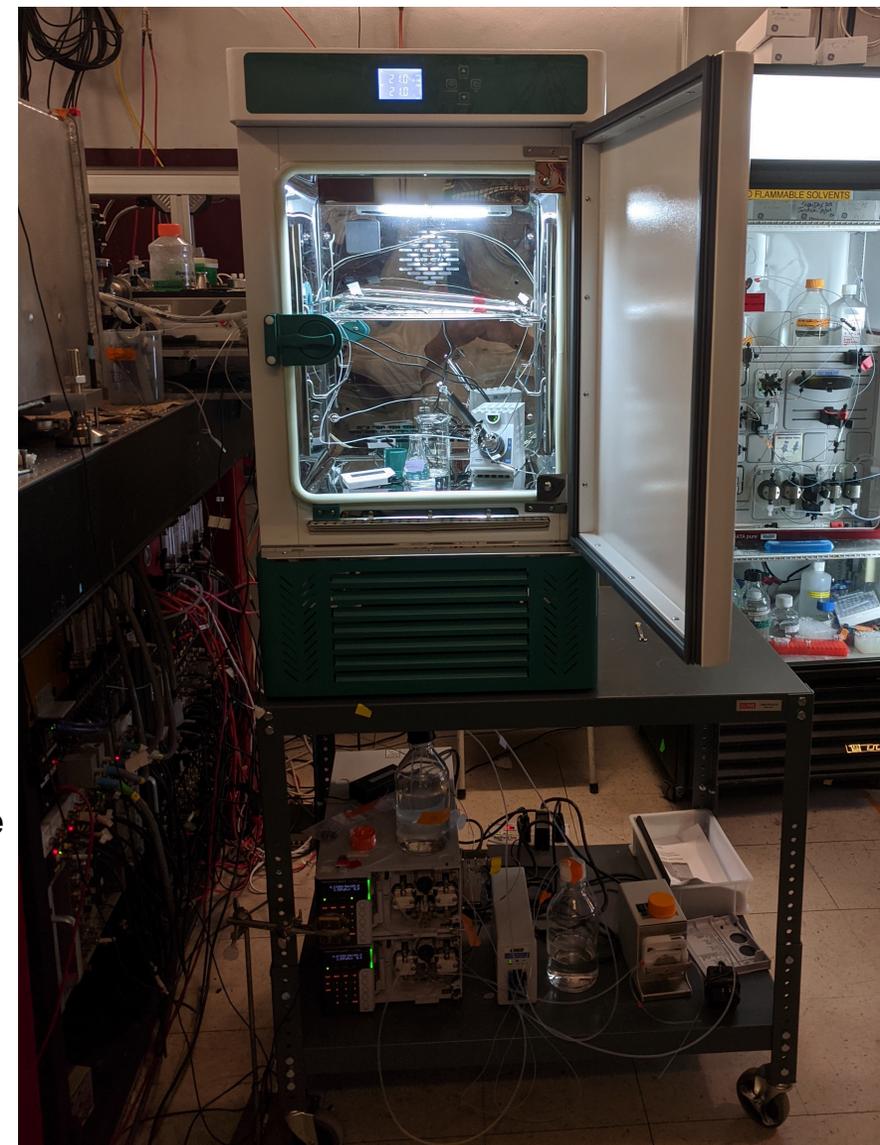
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And ability to hold samples under pressure prior to injection

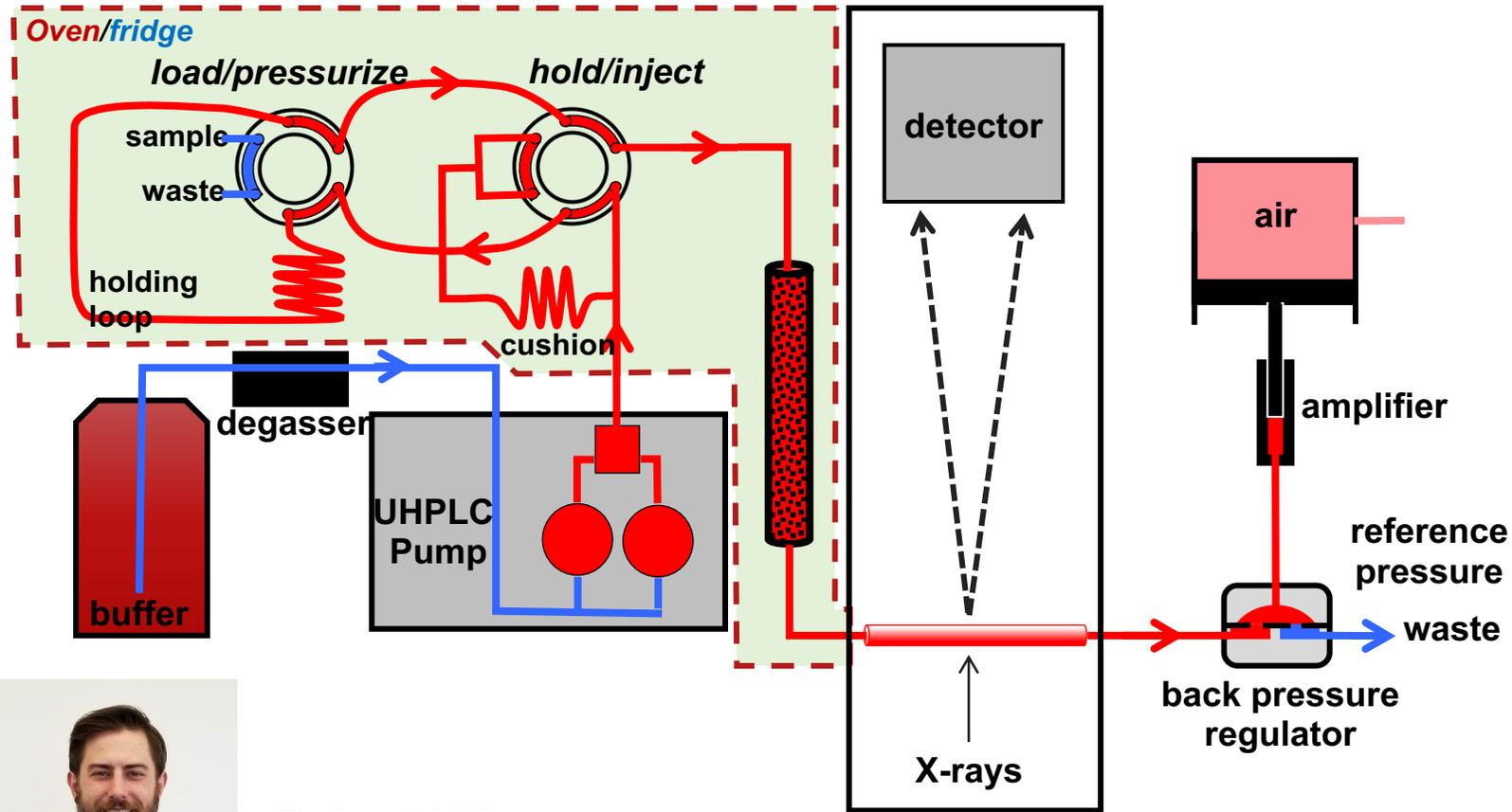


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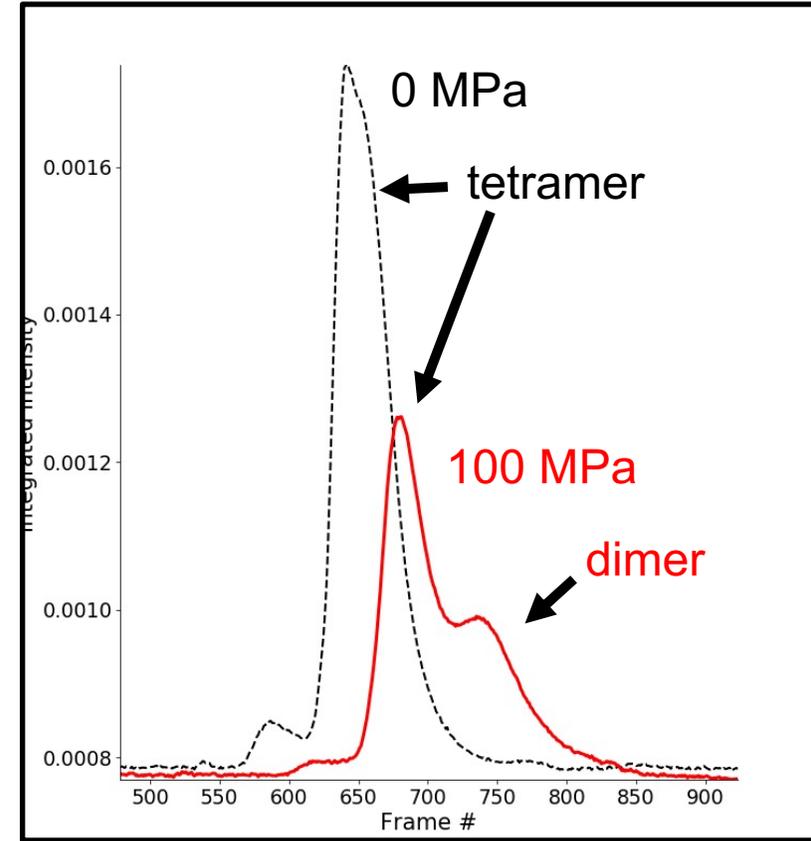
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HP-SAXS Guidelines: things you should know

- more difficult than normal BioSAXS
- temperature and pressure changes take time
- background subtractions are less precise (for batch)
- less sensitive due to reduced contrast (use higher concentrations)
- more potential radiation damage (for batch)

Interpretation of data more difficult:

- effects can be small
- can you tell the difference between pressure effect and radiation damage?

Good practice: check samples with normal BioSAXS first

- assess radiation damage
- Assess sample monodispersity
- can you see the features you need to see?
- enough concentration?
- concentration effects?

Use pressure-resistant buffer!



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