



Using the UNRES server and the standalone UNRES package in SAXS-data-assisted modeling of protein structure

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Outline

- Introduction to UNRES server
- Running a simple job (local energy minimization)
- Unrestricted protein-structure modeling
- Protein structure modeling with SAXS restraints
- Calculations with full UNRES package
- Installing standalone UNRES
- Q&A
- Hands-on part (optional)

UNRES and UNRES server

- Description, download, instructions and more: www.unres.pl

A. Liwo et al., *J. Molec. Modeling*, 2014, 20

- Server available

<http://unres-server.chem.ug.edu.pl>

(Author: Czarek Czaplewski)

C. Czaplewski, A. Karczyńska, A.K. Sieradzan, A. Liwo, *Nucleic Acids Research*, 2018, 1, doi: 10.1093/nar/gky328 (web server issue)

UNRES server

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UNRES server: ab initio simulations of protein structure and dynamics by using the coarse-grained [UNRES](#) model.

Run a single job without login.

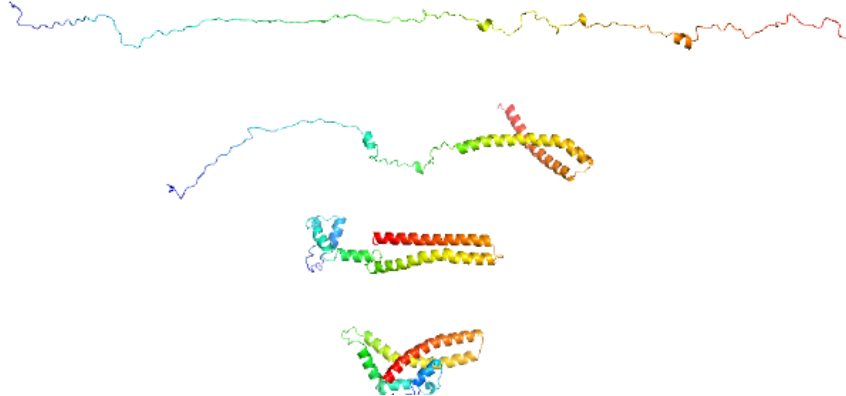
Register/login to run and save multiple jobs (optional).

Username:

Forgot password? [Reset it!](#)

Password:

Not member? [Register!](#)



Registration

- Registration is optional; jobs can be run in guest mode
- To register
 - Click „Register” on the main server page
 - Type in your login name, password, and email address
 - Check your email and when you receive the activation link, click it

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Username: Required. 150 characters or fewer. Letters, digits and @/./+/_ only.

Email: email address

Password:

- Your password can't be too similar to your other personal information.
- Your password must contain at least 8 characters.
- Your password can't be a commonly used password.
- Your password can't be entirely numeric.

Password confirmation: Enter the same password as before, for verification.

Running jobs

- Running jobs in guest mode (no account)
 - one job at a time
 - user data & results kept for 2 weeks
 - access to past jobs possible provided that the web address of the link to a job has been saved
- Running jobs by registered users
 - multiple jobs can be run simultaneously
 - past jobs saved on user's account, easily accessible

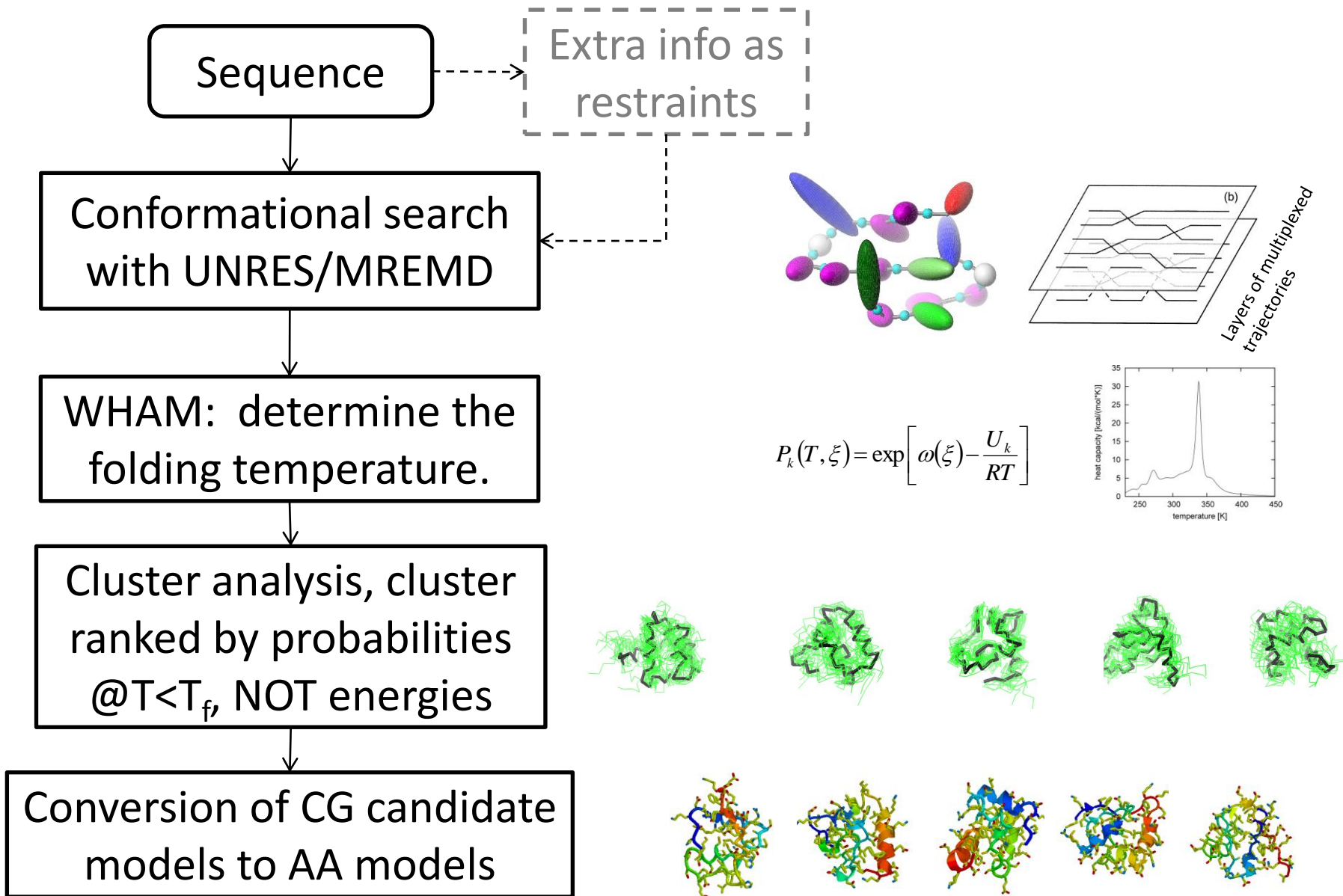
Simulation types

- Single energy minimization
- Canonical molecular dynamics
- Simulating conformational ensembles by MREMD
 - Free/secondary-structure restrained simulations
 - SAXS-data assisted simulations

Input data

- Basic and advanced mode enabled
- User-defined input
 - Amino-acid sequence (one-letter code)
 - Type of starting structure (extended or random)
- PDB input
 - Complete information (amino-acid sequence, starting and reference structure) is taken from the PDB structure
- Explicit file name or PDB code (can include chain ID, e.g., G3Q:B) can be supplied to input PDB structure
- Simulation parameters (optional)
- Secondary-structure prediction (PSIPRED format)
- SAXS data

Simulating conformational ensembles by MREMD



Sample input screen

Choose type of simulation:

MIN

MD

MREMD

Advanced

Calculation type replica exchange molecular dynamics

Name:

L2Y

extended chain

starting structure:

start from pdb

random chain

Sequence:

NLYIQWLKDGGPSSGRPPPS

aminoacid sequence using one letter code
field is ignored when uploading starting/reference PDB file

Upload a PDB file:

Przełóż plik... Nie wybrano pliku.

starting structure for pdbstart/reference structure

or PDB code (:chain):

PDB reference
structure:

NSTEP:

200000

total number of steps

SEED:

-39912345

Sample input screen 2

Choose type of simulation:

Calculation type replica exchange molecular dynamics - advanced options

Name:

Force Field: FF2 = JCC 30 2127 (2009) + JCTC 11 817-831 (2015)
 OPT-WTF SA-2 = JCIM 57 2364-2377 (2017)

starting structure: extended chain
 start from pdb
 random chain

Sequence:

aminoacid sequence using one letter code
field is ignored when uploading starting/reference PDB file

Secondary structure restraints:

single letter code: H helix, E extended/beta, C or - no restraints

Upload a PDB file: Nie wybrano pliku.

starting structure for pdbstart/reference structure

or PDB code (:chain):

PDB reference structure:

NSTEP:

total number of steps

Download by clicking „Load example data” at the bottom of the screen, advanced mode

Sample input screen: SAXS data

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Choose type of simulation:

Calculation type replica exchange molecular dynamics - advanced options

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or PDB code (:chain):

PDB reference structure:

NSTEP:
total number of steps

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Box X:
box x dimension

Box Y:
box y dimension

Box Z:
box z dimension

SAXS weight:
weight for SAXS restraint term

Scal_rad (SAXS):
downscaling factor of residue radii used in SAXS restraints

P(r) SAXS data:

0.5	1.33868e-02
1.5	1.95880e-02
2.5	2.68896e-02
3.5	3.43737e-02
4.5	4.07099e-02
5.5	4.47875e-02
6.5	4.63486e-02
7.5	4.60514e-02
8.5	4.49130e-02
9.5	4.36744e-02
10.5	4.26085e-02
11.5	4.17464e-02
12.5	4.11217e-02
13.5	4.07835e-02
14.5	4.06776e-02
15.5	4.06060e-02
16.5	4.03241e-02
17.5	3.96655e-02
18.5	3.85756e-02
19.5	3.70537e-02
20.5	3.50982e-02

distance distribution from SAXS, two columns: r and P(r)

Download by clicking „Load SAX1 example” at the bottom of the screen, advanced mode

Tutorial 1: single energy minimization of a PDB structure

- Enter the UNRES server page
- Login to the server (if you have an account)
- Type in the job name and hit „Enter”
- Click on „Load example data” at the bottom of the screen
- Save & submit job
- Wait for the job to finish
- For guest users, the results are displayed immediately, registered users click on the job name to display the results
- Having completed the example try to prepare & run the minimization job on your own (different PDB file/code can be selected)

Tutorial 2: MREMD simulations of tryptophan cage (prediction mode)

- After entering job name click „MREMD”
- Type 1L2Y (the PDB code of tryptophan cage) in the „Upload a PDB file or PDB code” field
- Mark „Reference structure”
- Click „Save & submit job
- Wait for the job to finish and view the results. Notice the 5 clusters of conformations and their populations.
- Another example is available in the advanced mode; click „Load example data” after selecting „Advanced mode”. This example includes secondary-structure-prediction information. It takes long to finish.

Choose type of simulation:

[MIN](#)[MD](#)[MREMD](#)[Advanced](#)

Calculation type replica exchange molecular dynamics

Name:

starting structure:

extended chain

start from pdb

random chain

Sequence:

aminoacid sequence using one letter code

field is ignored when uploading starting/reference PDB file

Upload a PDB file:

Nie wybrano pliku.

starting structure for pdbstart/reference structure

or PDB code (:chain):

PDB reference structure:



NSTEP:

total number of steps

SEED:

seed for random number generator

Tutorial 3: Simulations with simulated SAXS-like restraints on distance distribution

- After setting up the job select „MREMD” „Advanced” and „Load SAXS1 example”. The data are synthetic C^α-distance distribution from the experimental structure of 5UJQ
- Start the job
- After the job finishes, view the 5 models and the agreement between the calculated and „experimental” distance distribution.
- An example with real data (Schmidt et al.. J. Mol. Biol., 2019, 395, 105-122) can be downloaded by clicking „Load SAXS data 2” however, this calculation takes longer.

Calculations with standalone UNRES

- Calculation types
 - Energy evaluation (single or multiple conformations)
 - Energy minimization
 - Canonical molecular dynamics
 - Replica-exchange molecular dynamics
 - Umbrella-sampling molecular dynamics (canonical and replica-exchange)
 - Global energy minimization by Conformational Space Annealing
 - Energy-map construction
 - Secondary structure, distance (including contact-distance), structure-based, and SAXS restraints in every mode

Calculations with standalone UNRES

- Running calculations in batch mode is strongly recommended
- Text input file must be prepared; however, UNRES server can be used in preparing the input files. Refer to www.unres.pl/docs for the description of input files
- Sequence can be input independent of the reference structure (which must have no gaps)
- Postprocessing with WHAM and CLUSTER must be run separately

Installation of standalone UNRES

- Get and unpack the UNRES distribution from www.unres.pl/downloads (select **unres-SAXS.tar.gz**) or from git
- Installation instructions: www.unres.pl/unres-install
- Easy installation can be done using cmake; all components get installed
- Without cmake the user needs to customize the „Makefile”s in each subdirectory and run make separately

Sample installation command flow

```
git clone http://mmka.chem.univ.gda.pl/repo/unres.git  
cd unres  
git checkout homology  
mkdir build  
cd build  
cmake -DUNRES_MD_FF=E0LL2Y ..  
make  
make install
```