

# Diffraction at ISIS

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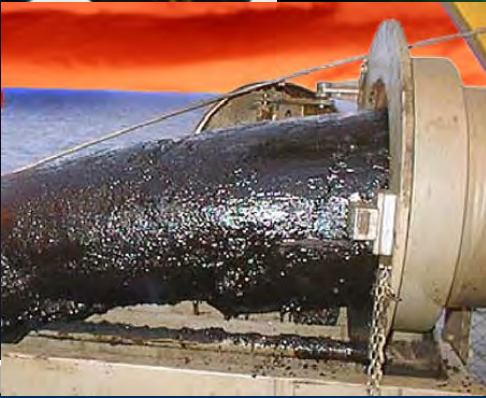
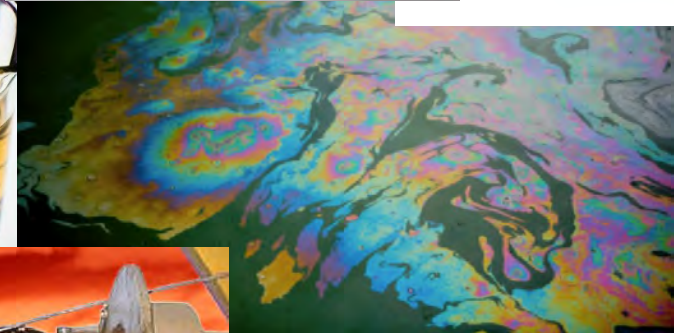
Disordered Materials Group

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WISH, HRPD, GEM, PEARL, POLARIS, SXD, INES, ENGIN-X

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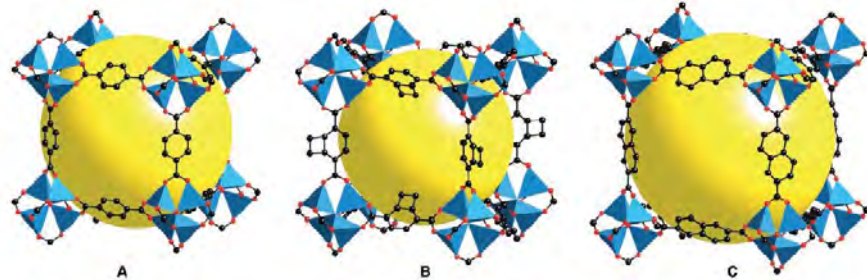
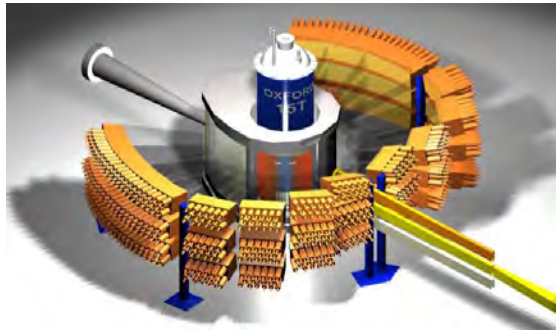
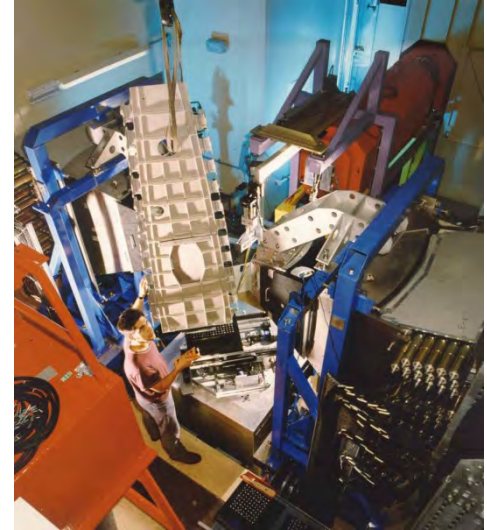
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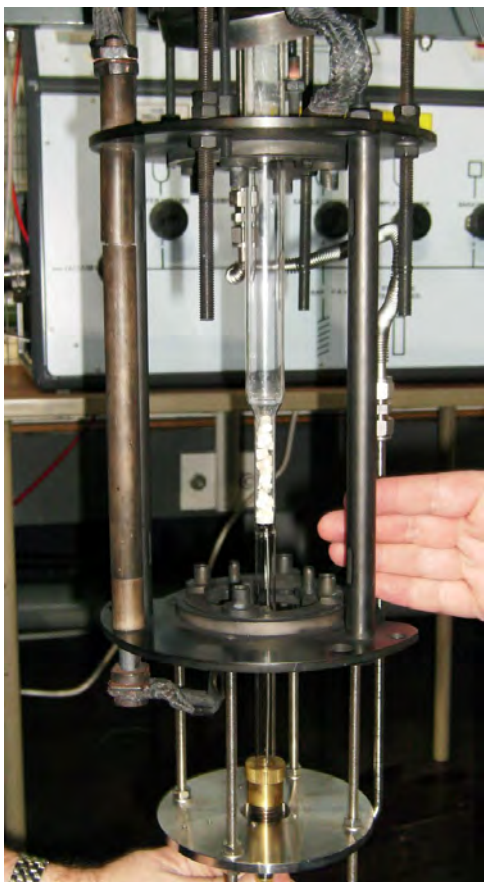


# Crystallography at ISIS

- Structure solution
- Structure refinement including lattice parameters and atomic positions
- Hydrogen atom location
- Anisotropic thermal parameter refinement
- Powder and single crystal
- High pressure capabilities (up to 28 GPa)
- Stress and strain analysis
- Magnetic structure determination
- Variable temperature measurements (4 – 2273 K)
- Gas handling capabilities (0 – 200 bar)
- Highly complementary to X-ray diffraction

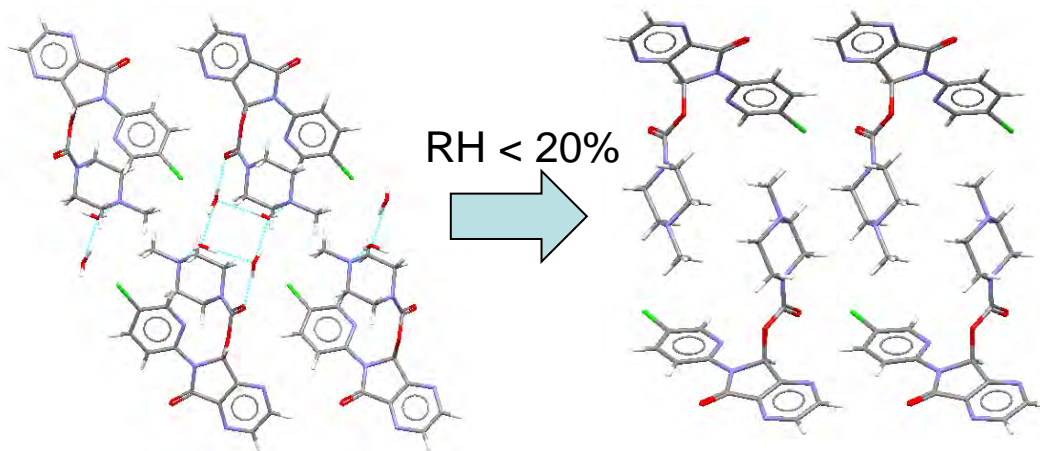


# In-situ dehydration and hydration



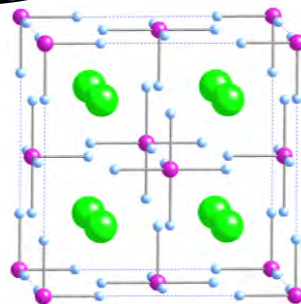
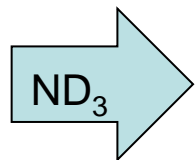
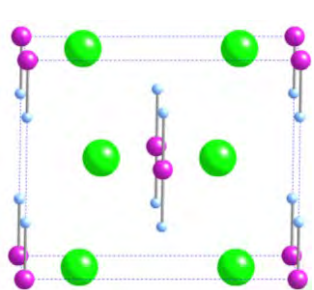
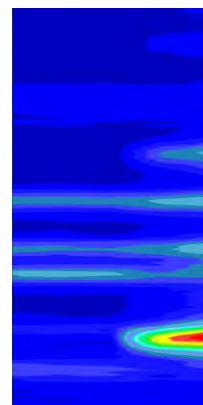
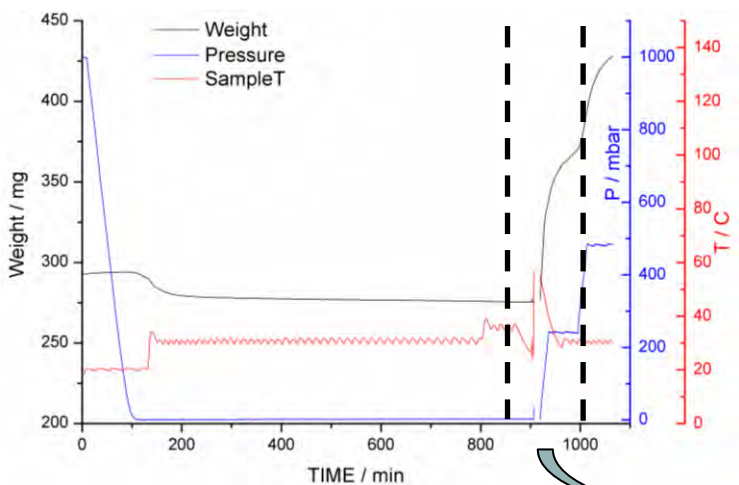
Control the partial pressure of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in the gas flowing over the sample.

Formation of pharmaceutical hydrates:



# In-situ gravimetric analysis

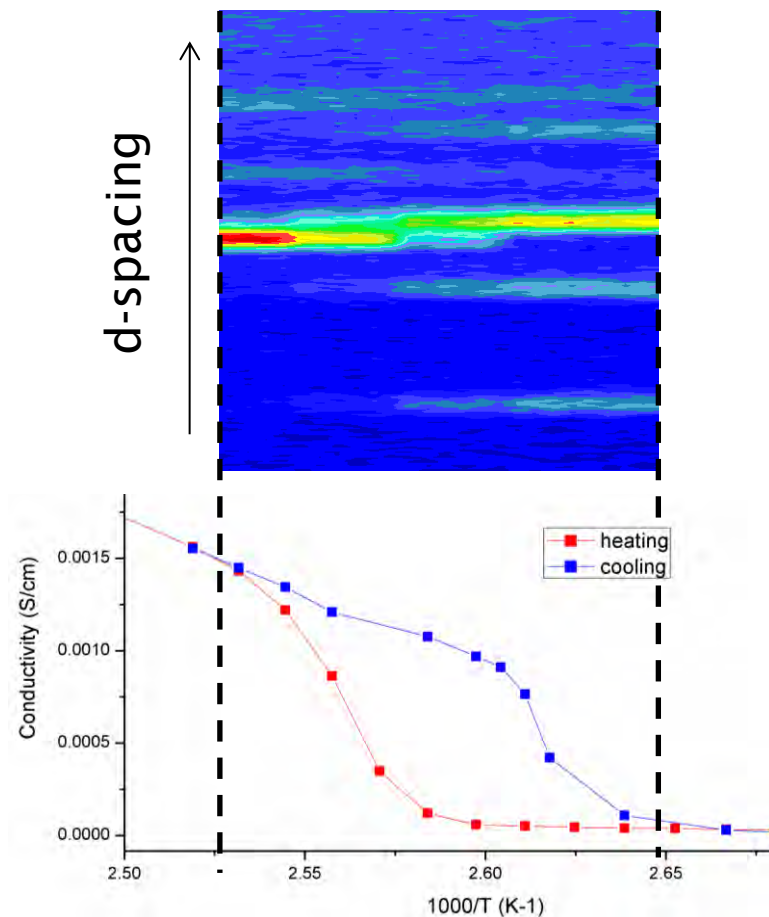
Decomposition and reversibility in ammines:



# In-situ ionic conductivity analysis



**Ionic conductivity in lithium borohydride:**  
A potential hydrogen store and battery electrolyte  
-Studying  $\text{Li}^+$  diffusion and superionic conductivity



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# SANDALS, NIMROD, GEM, POLARIS

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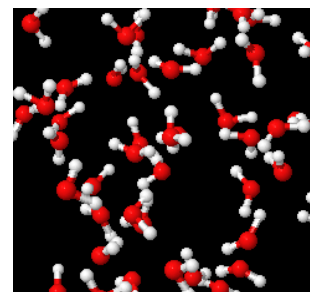
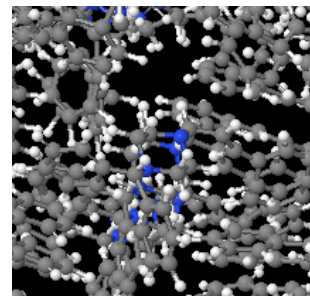
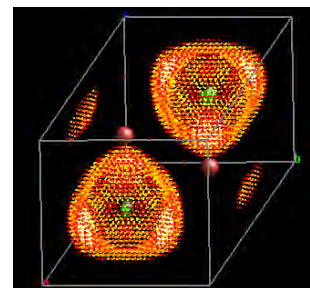
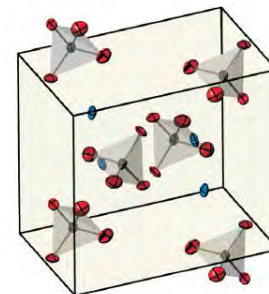
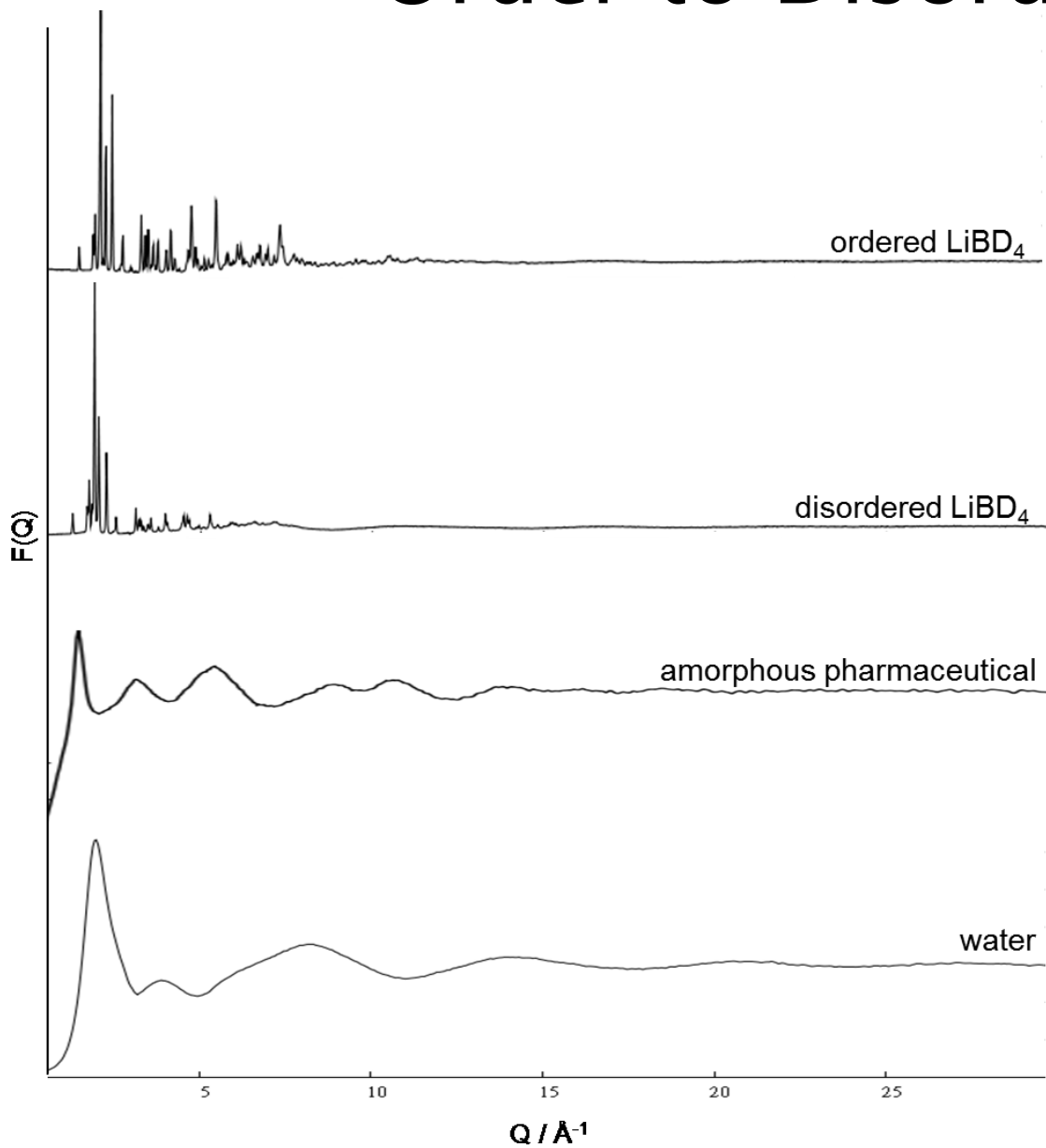
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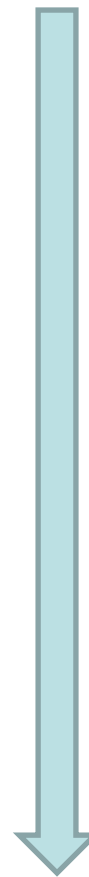




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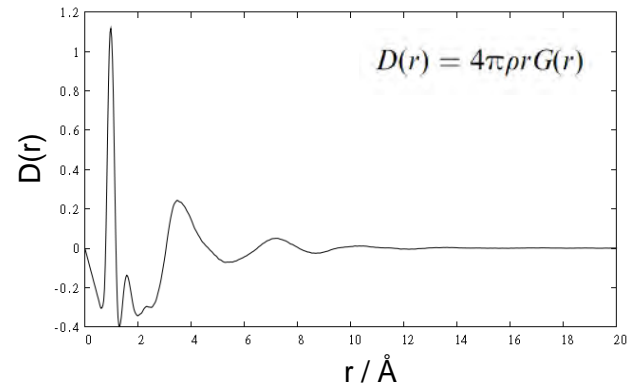
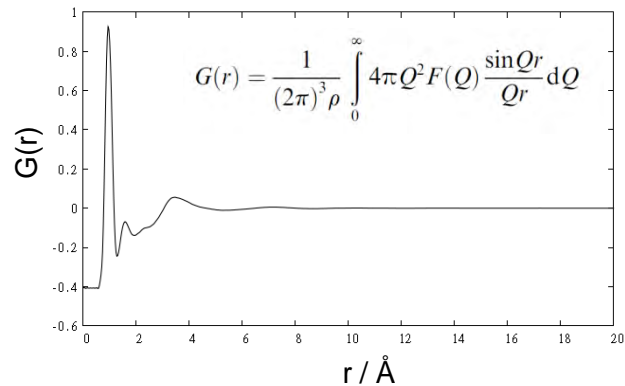
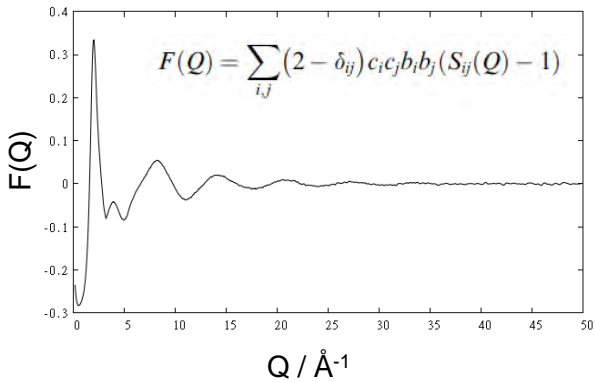
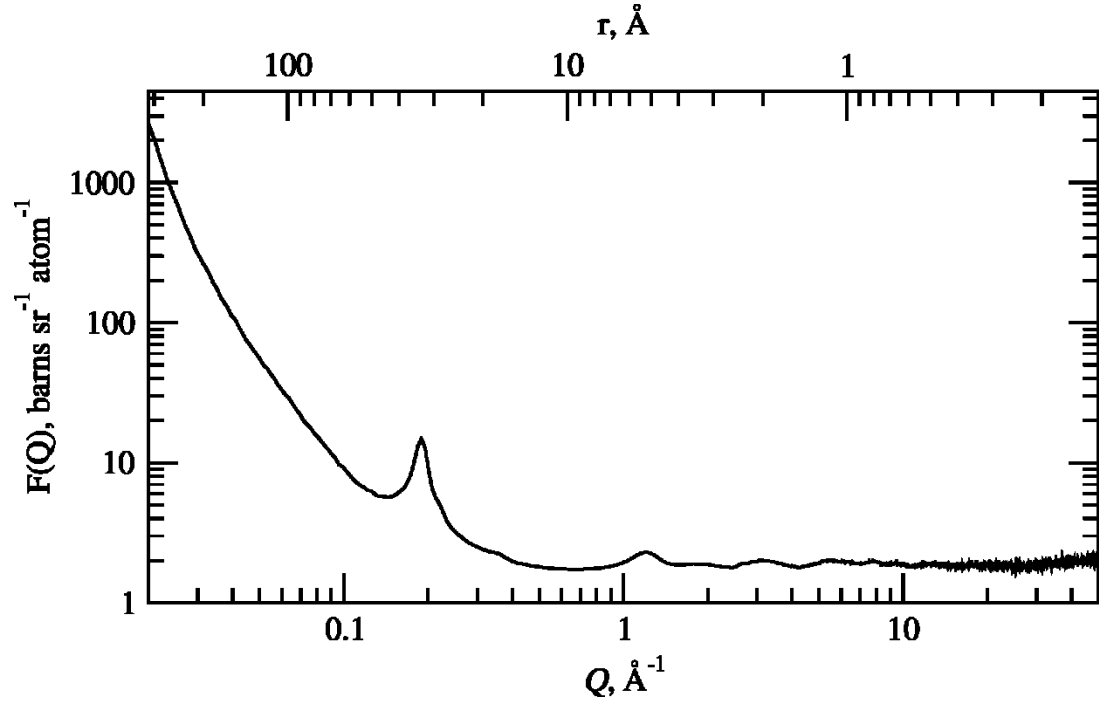
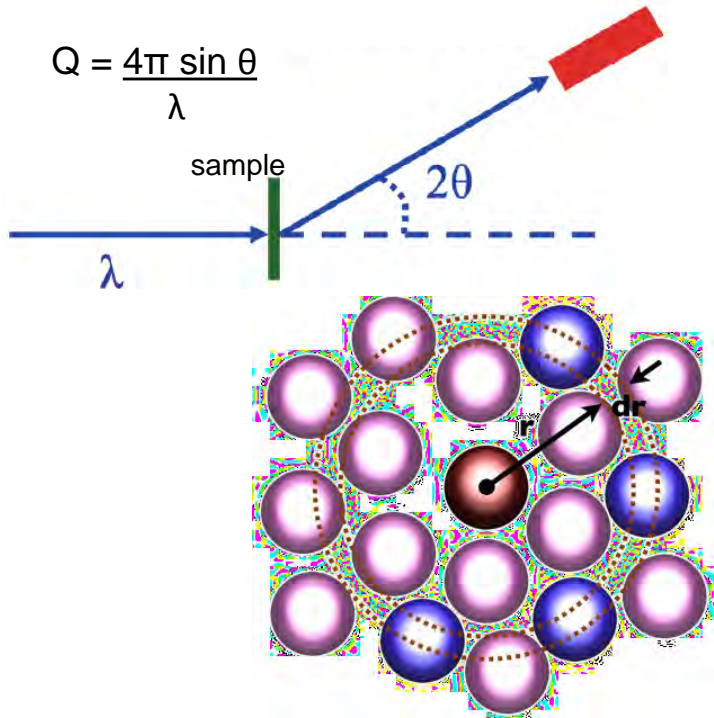


order



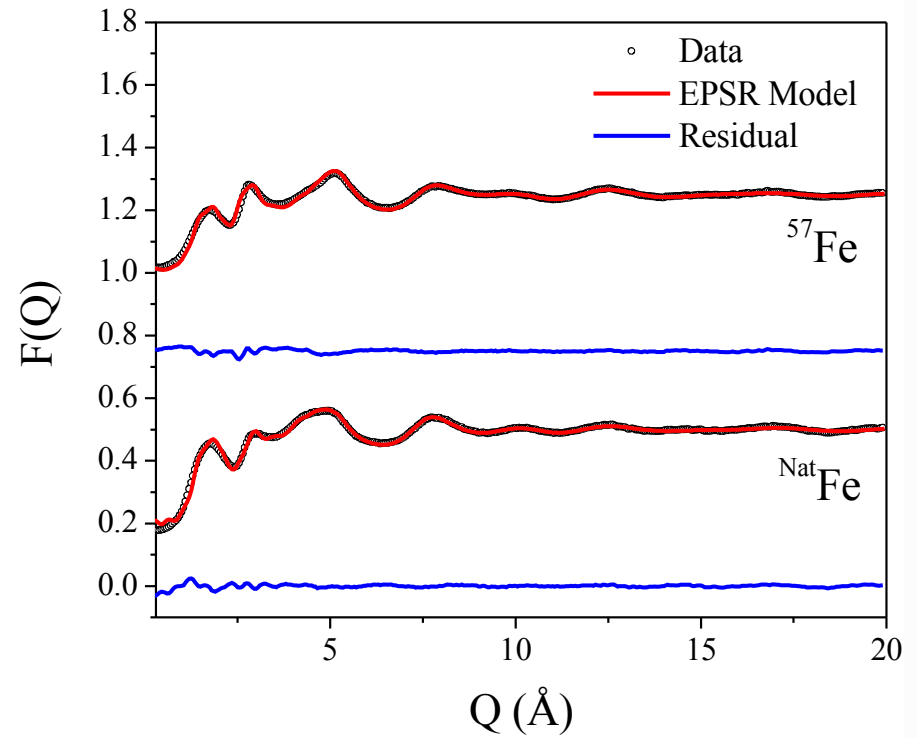
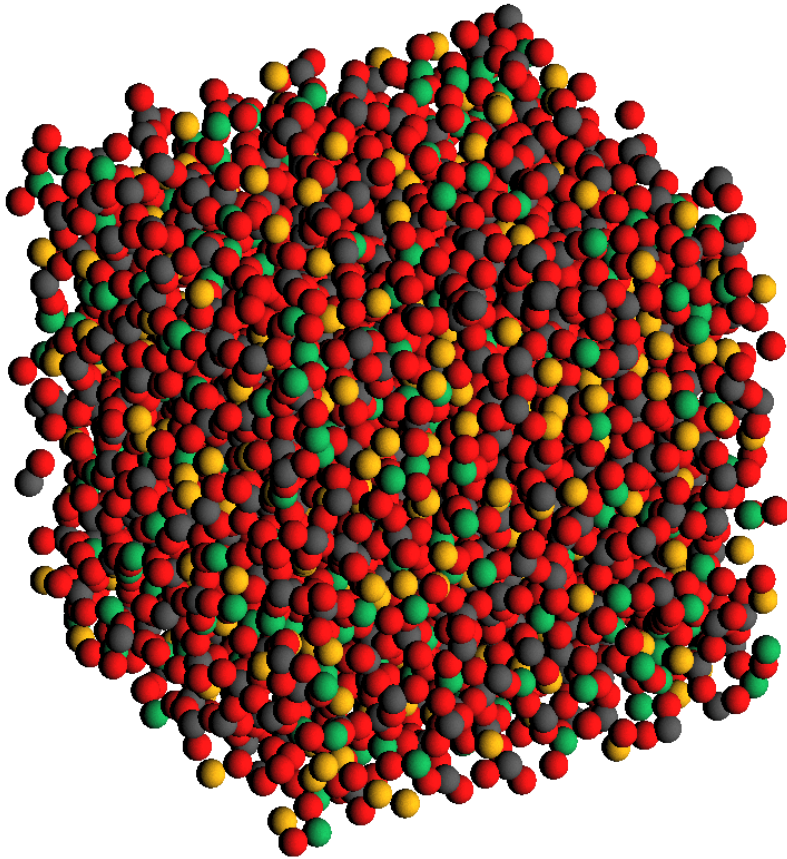
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# Neutron Total Scattering



# Glass Structure

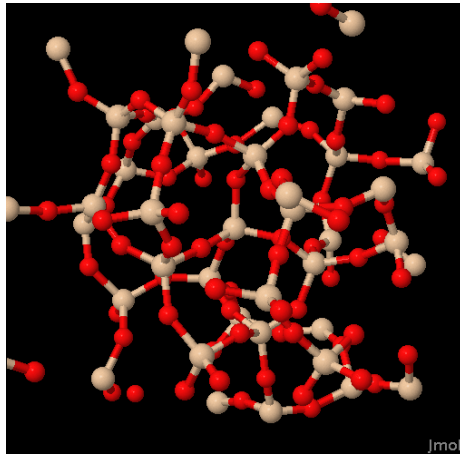
NaFeSi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub> glass



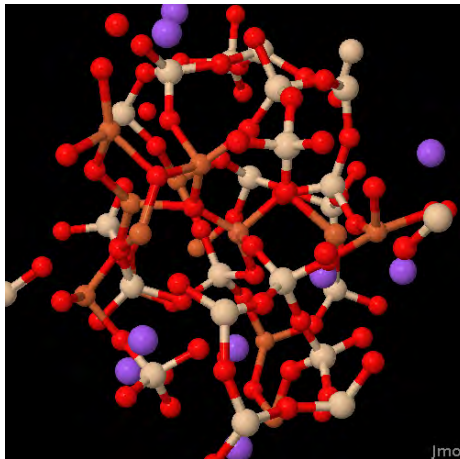
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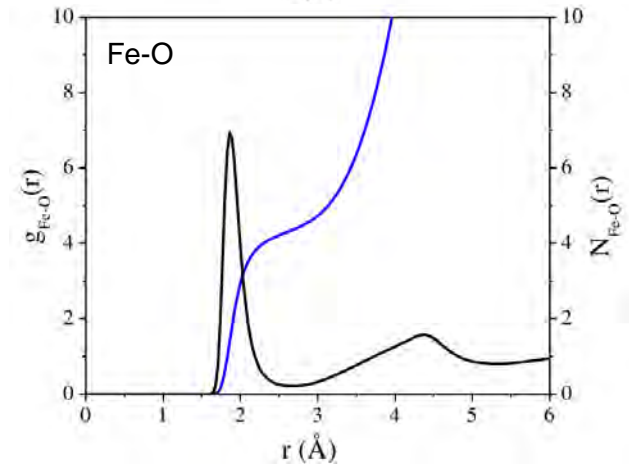
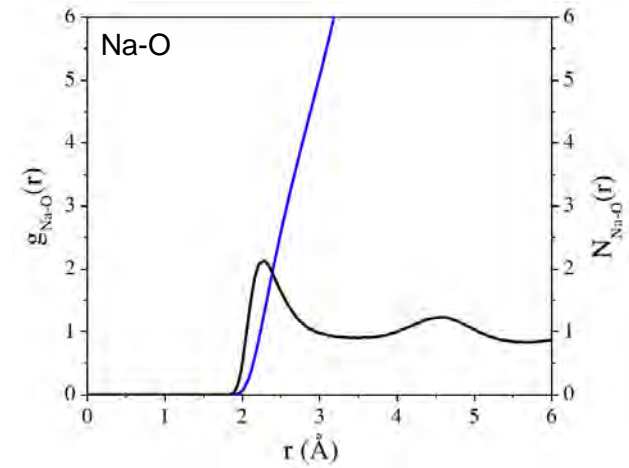
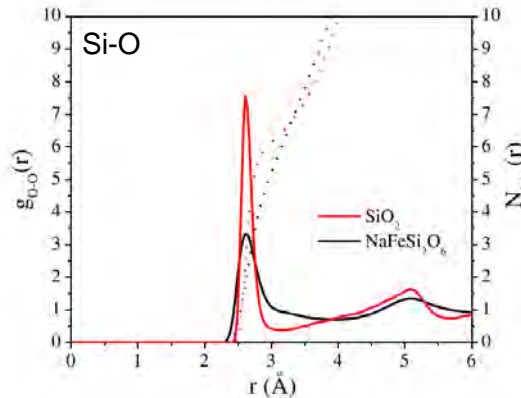
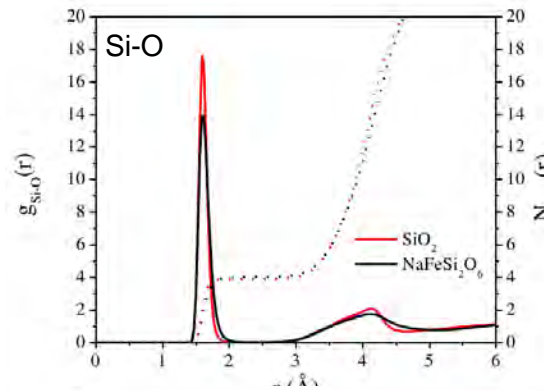
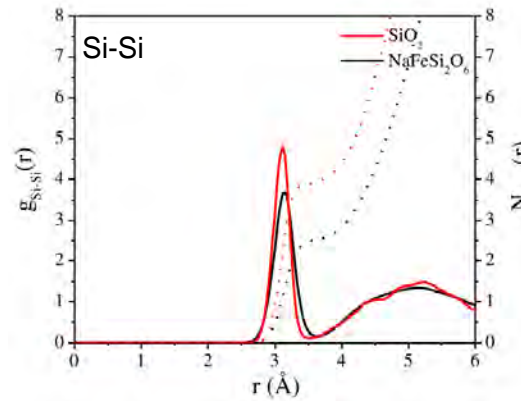
# Ion-ion interactions



Pure silica: SiO<sub>2</sub>



Doped silica: SiO<sub>2</sub> + Na + Fe



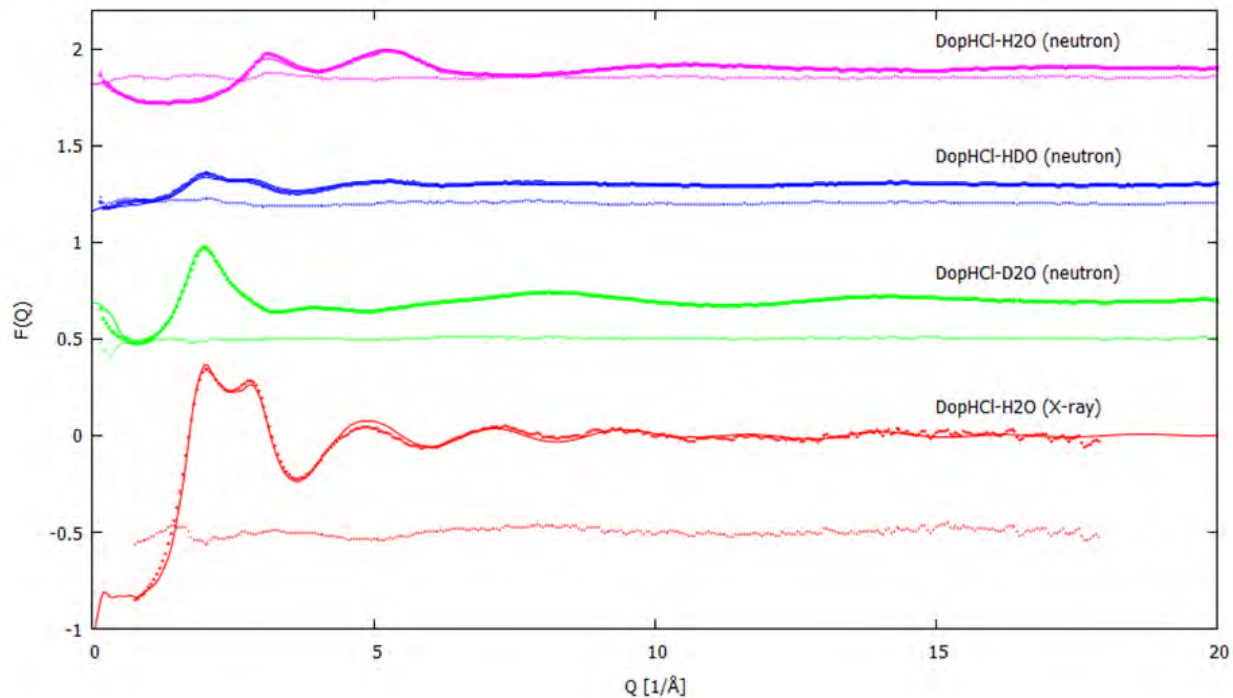
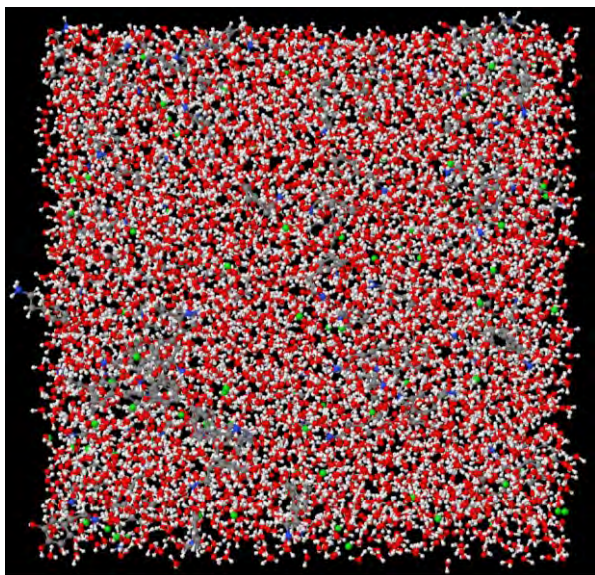
→ Increase in elastic modulus



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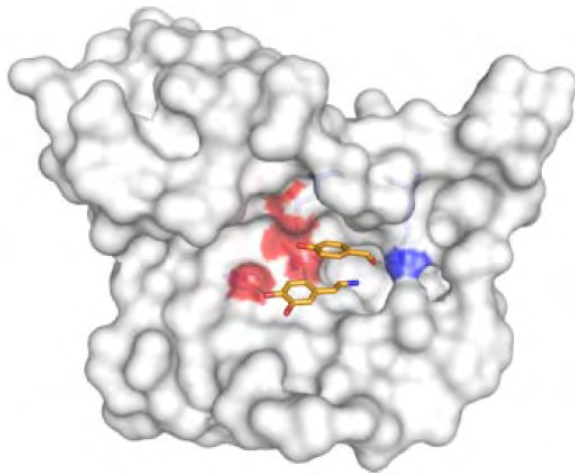
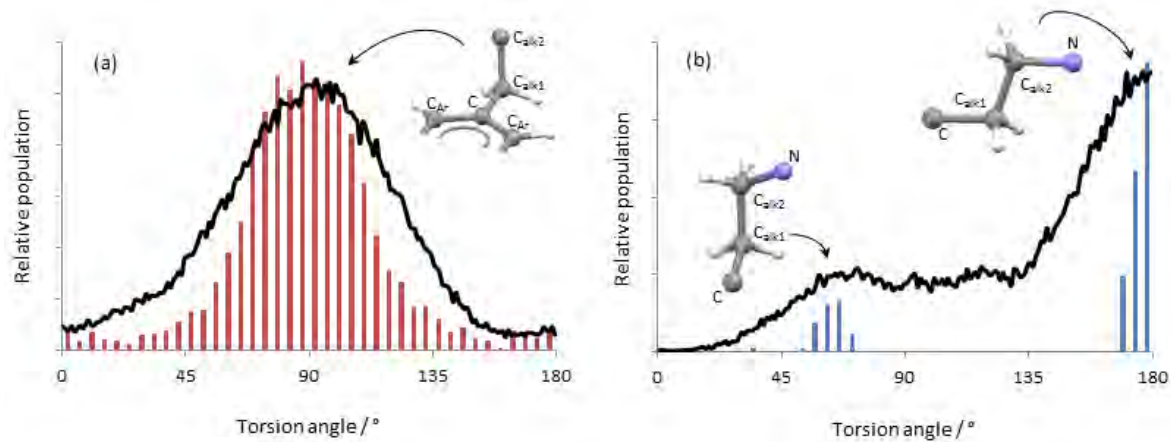
# Solution Structure



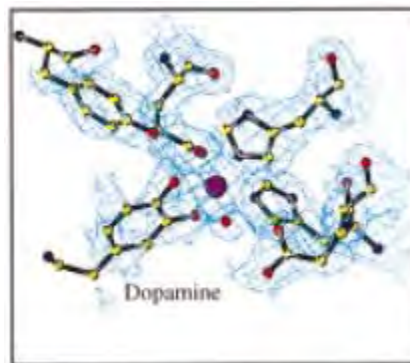
$$U^{tot} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i, j \neq i} \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \left( 4 \epsilon_{\alpha\beta} \left[ \left( \frac{\sigma_{\alpha\beta}}{r_{\alpha_i} \beta_j} \right)^n - \left( \frac{\sigma_{\alpha\beta}}{r_{\alpha_i} \beta_j} \right)^6 \right] + \frac{q_{\alpha} q_{\beta}}{4 \pi \epsilon_0 r_{\alpha_i} \beta_j} + U_{\alpha\beta}^{EP}(\mathbf{r}) \right)$$



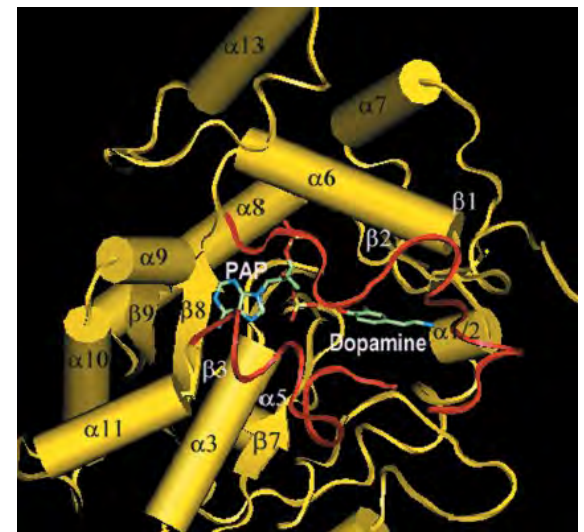
# Molecular conformation



Norcochlorine synthase  
Ilari *et al.* *J. Bio. Chem.* 284 (2009) 897-904

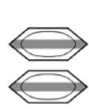
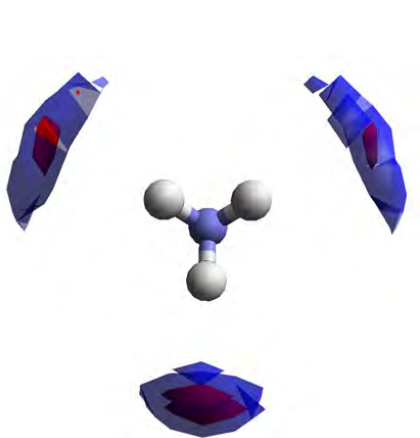


Phenylalanine hydroxylase  
Erlandsen *et al.* *Biochem.* 37 (1998) 15638-15646

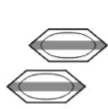


Dopamine sulfotransferase  
Dajani *et al.* *J Bio. Chem.* 274 (1999)

# Molecular interactions



Sandwich (S)



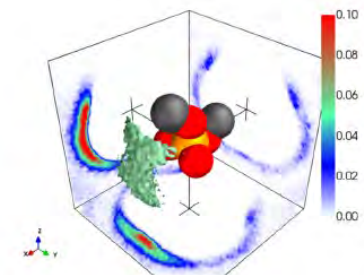
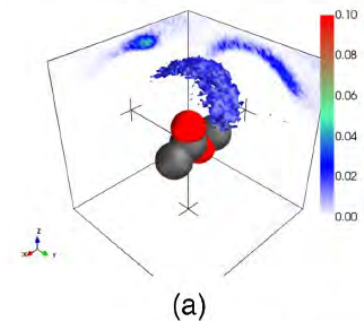
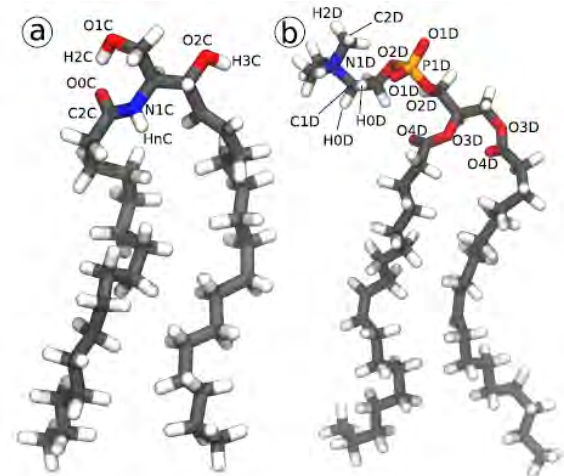
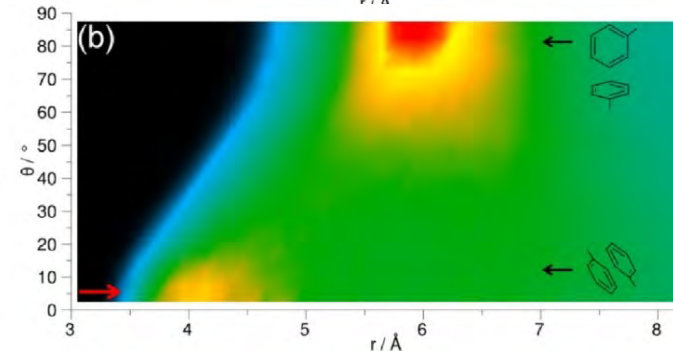
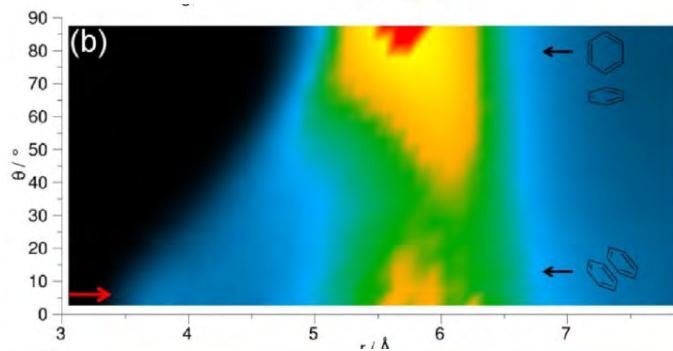
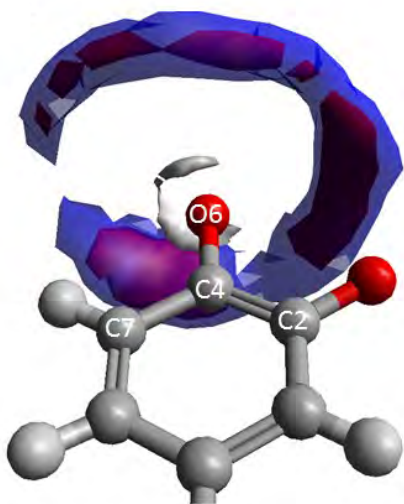
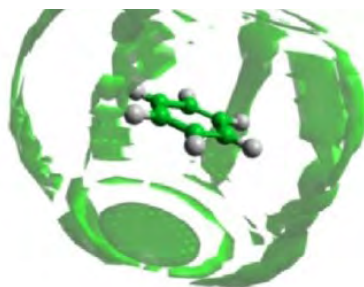
Parallel Displaced (PD)



T-shaped (T)

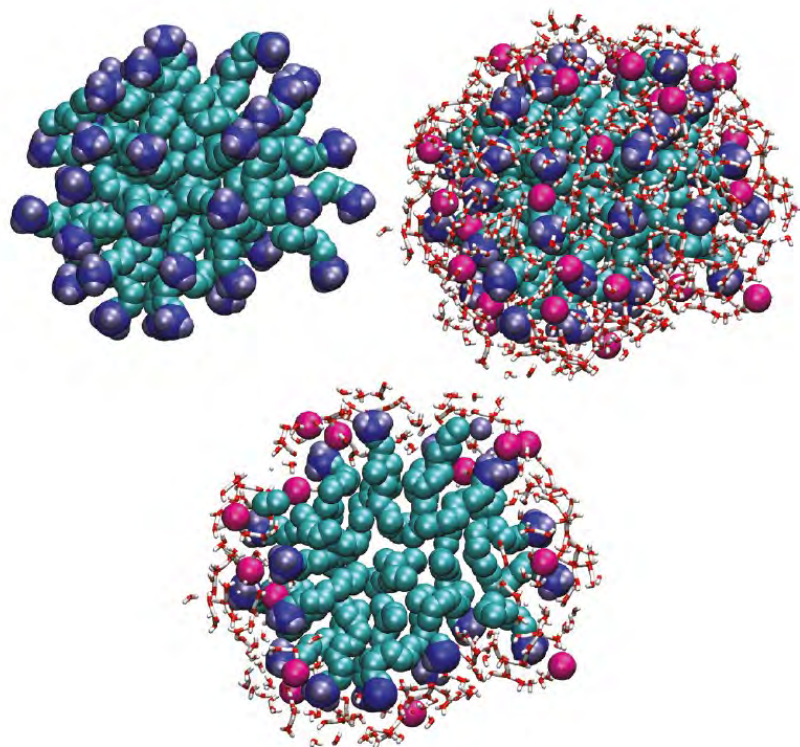


Y-shaped (Y)

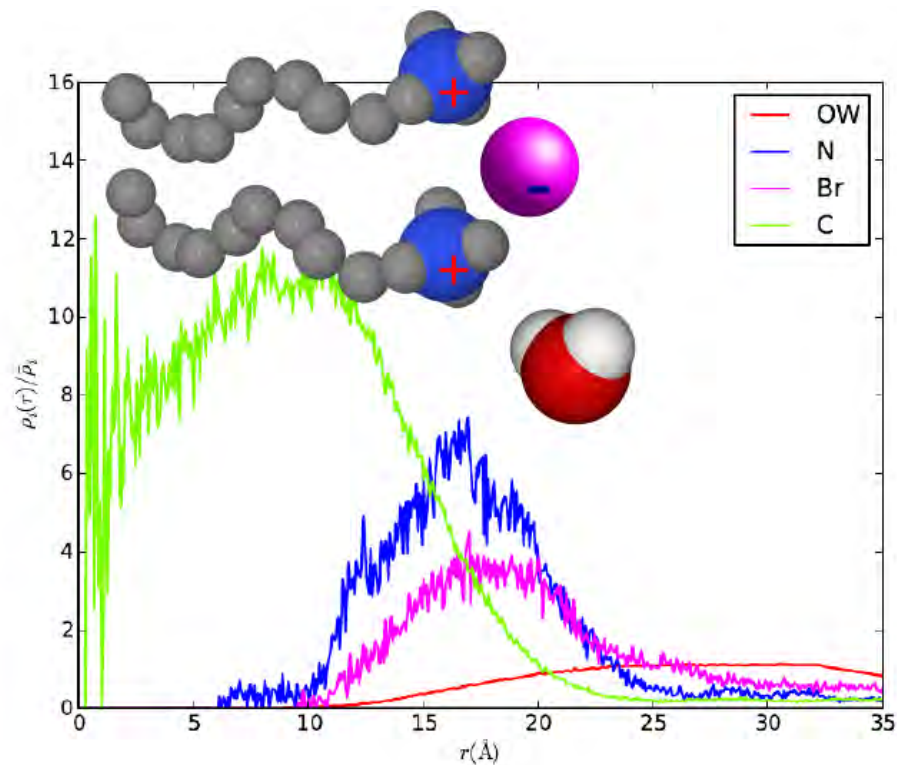


# Micelle Structure

0.4 M aqueous decyltrimethylammonium bromide ( $C_{10}TAB$ )



- 18 Å micelle radius
- Sphericity: 1.06



- Rough surface
- 7.5-15Å thick Stern layer
- Water penetrates as far as Br<sup>-</sup>

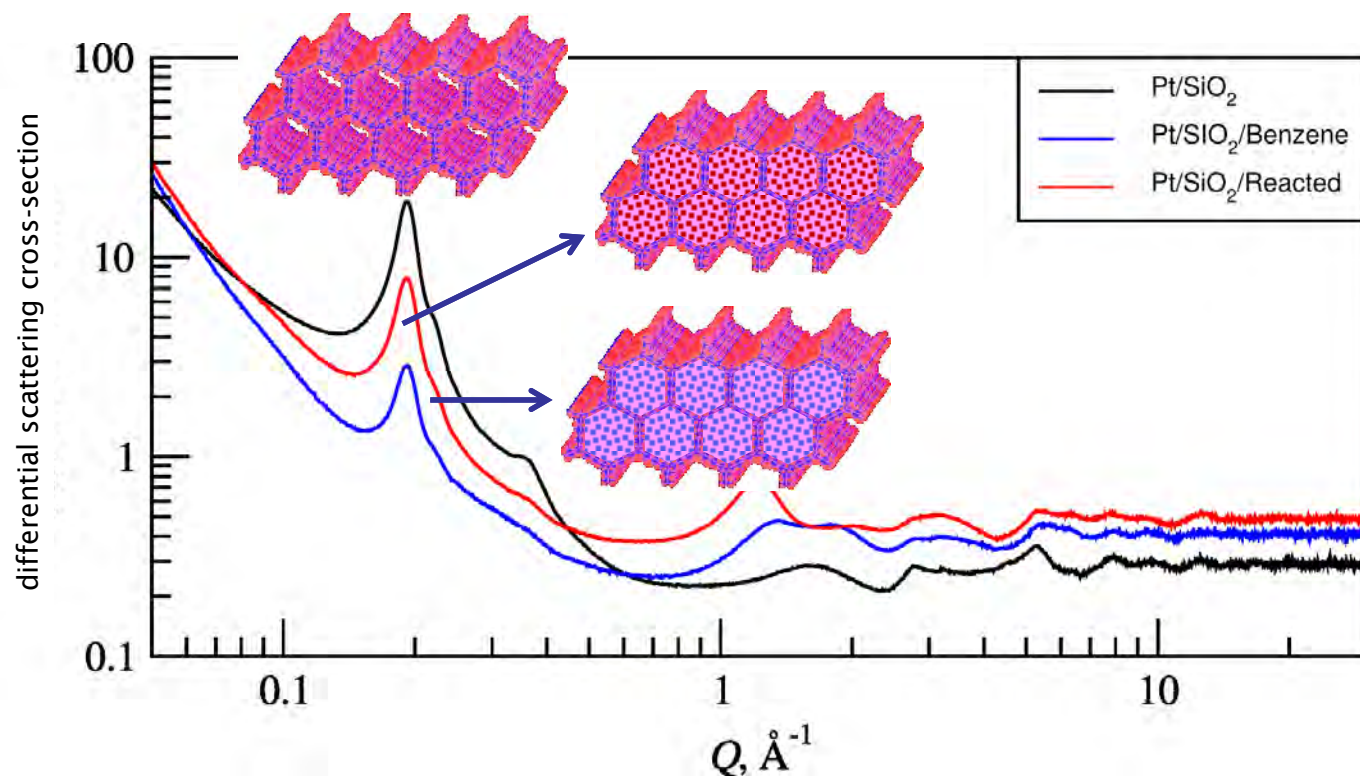
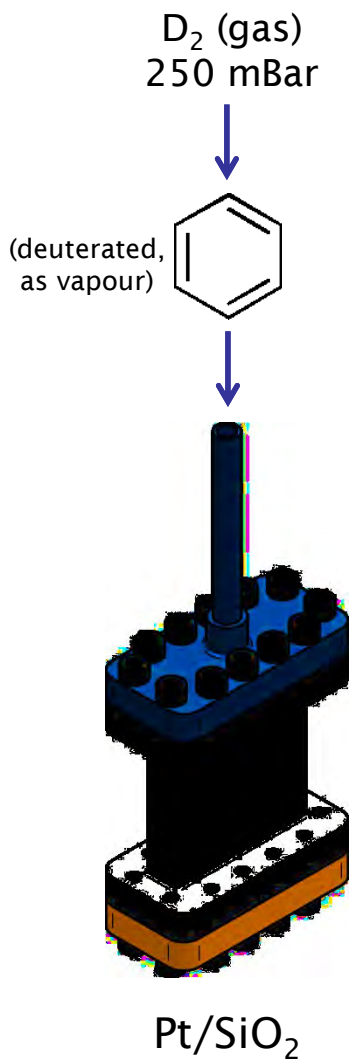


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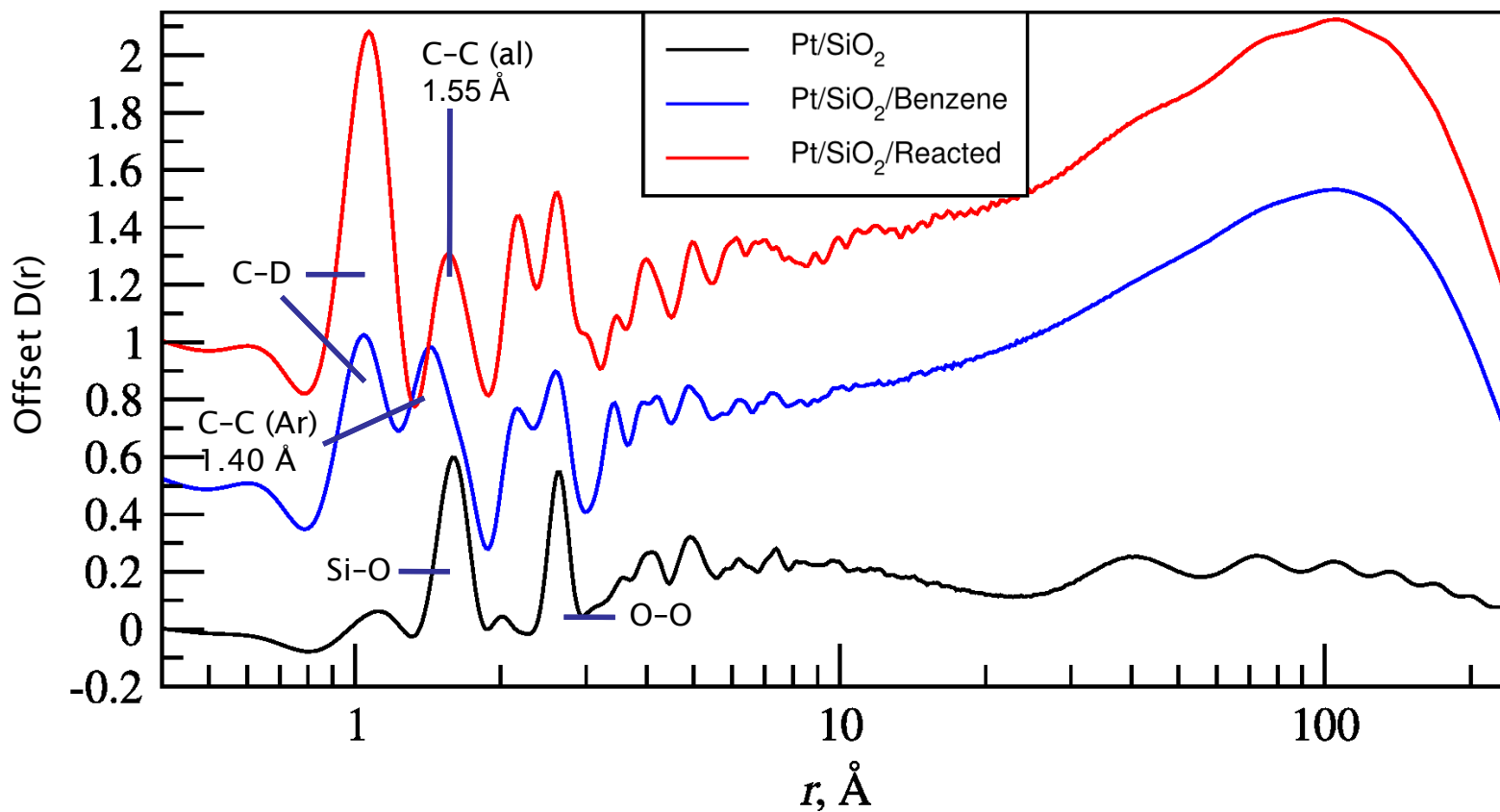
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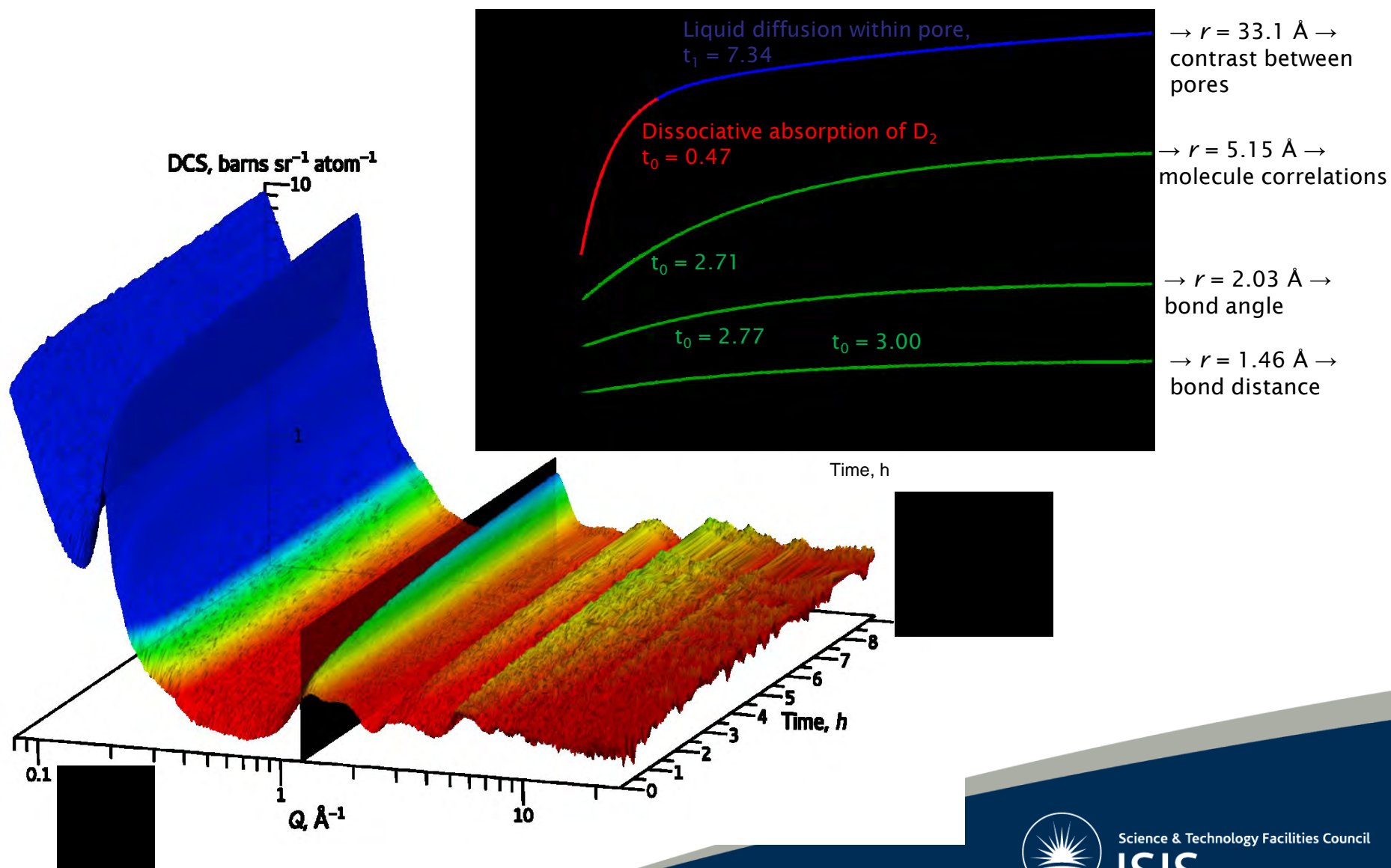
- 9 hour reaction time



# Radial distribution functions



# Time-resolved structure



**Structure**

**Properties**

