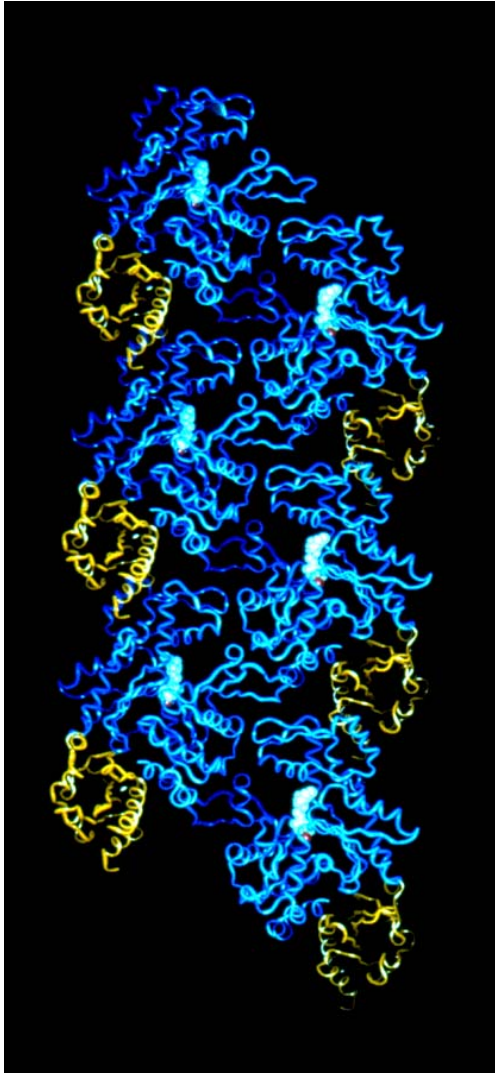


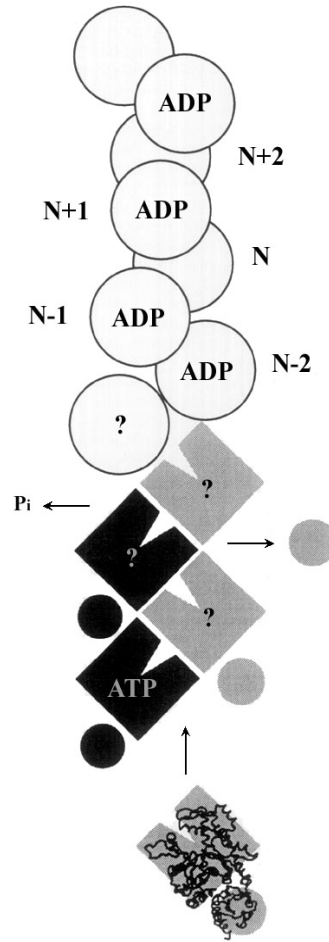
Structures of Actin-Binding Proteins

A new model for filament severing

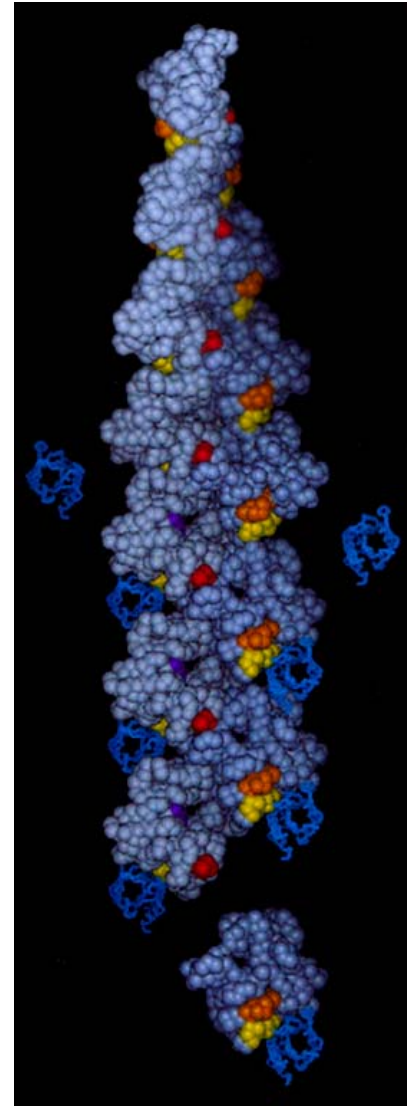
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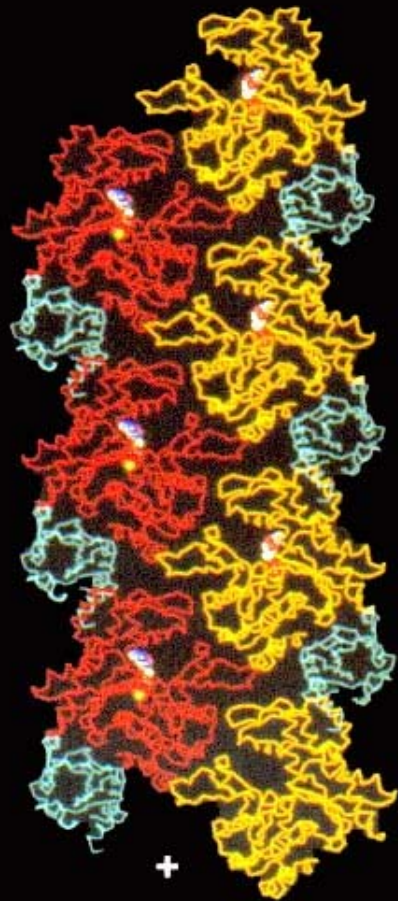
Pointed End



Barbed End



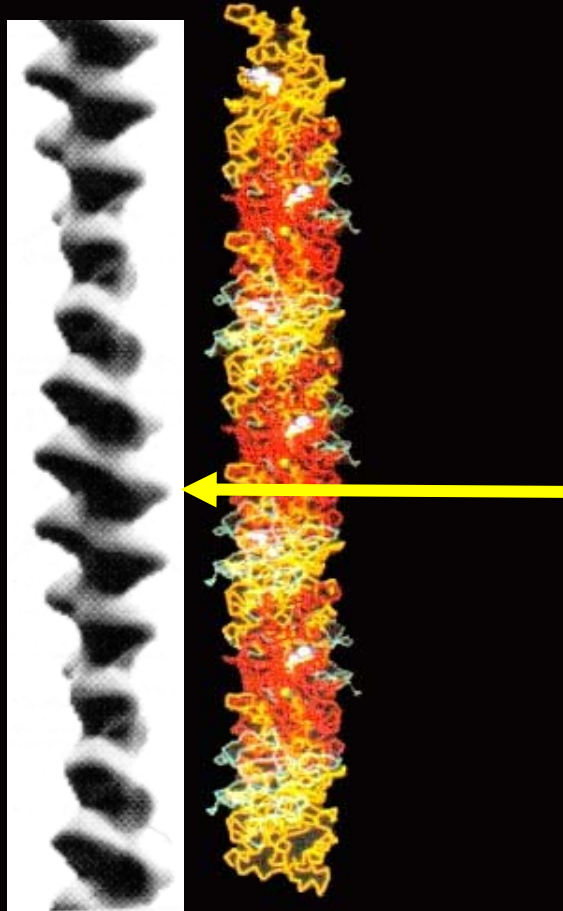
wide view



+

95 Å

narrow view

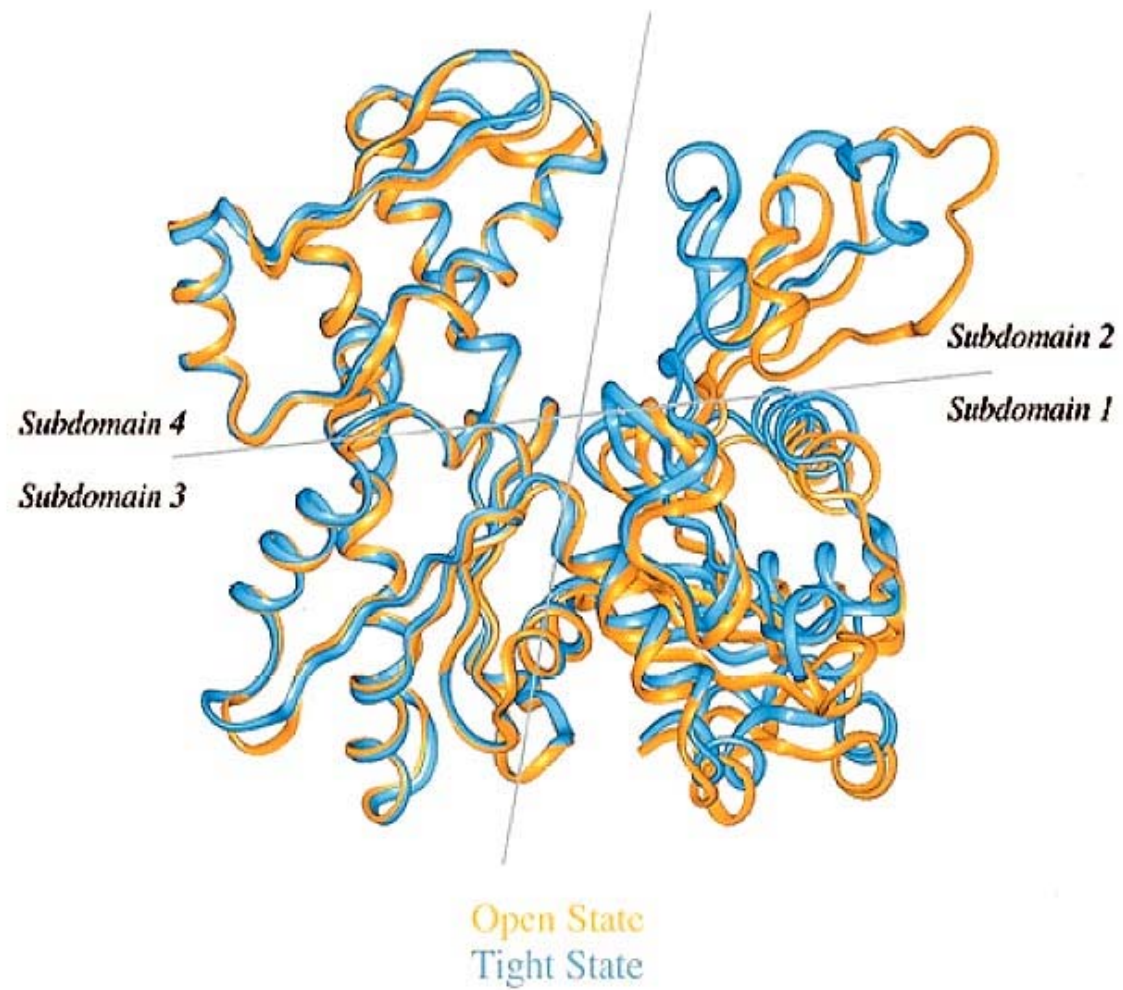


38 Å

Schutt *et al.*
Nature
365, 810 (1994).

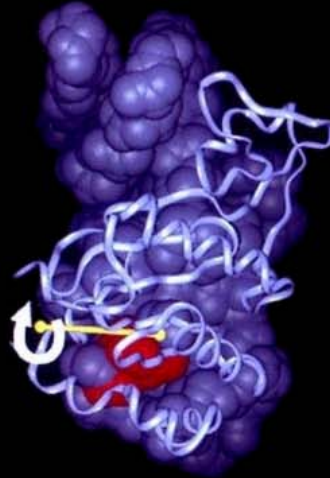
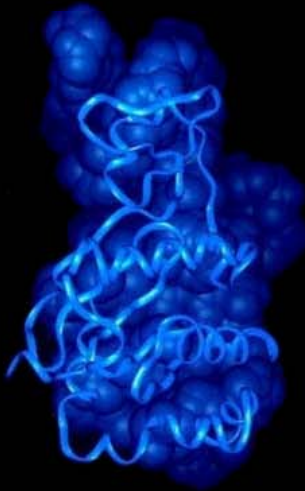
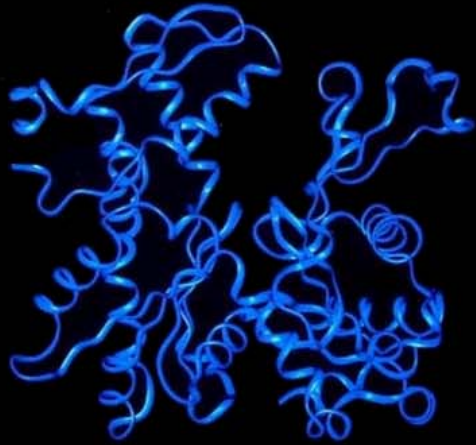
Lepault *et al.*
J. Struct. Biol.
112, 79-91 (1994).

The actin filament
is a twisted,
flattened ribbon.



Chik, Lindberg & Schutt, *J. Mol. Biol.* **263**, 607-623 (1996)
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Rotations About Shear Plane and Hinge Transform Ribbon Into Helix



Ribbon

Helix

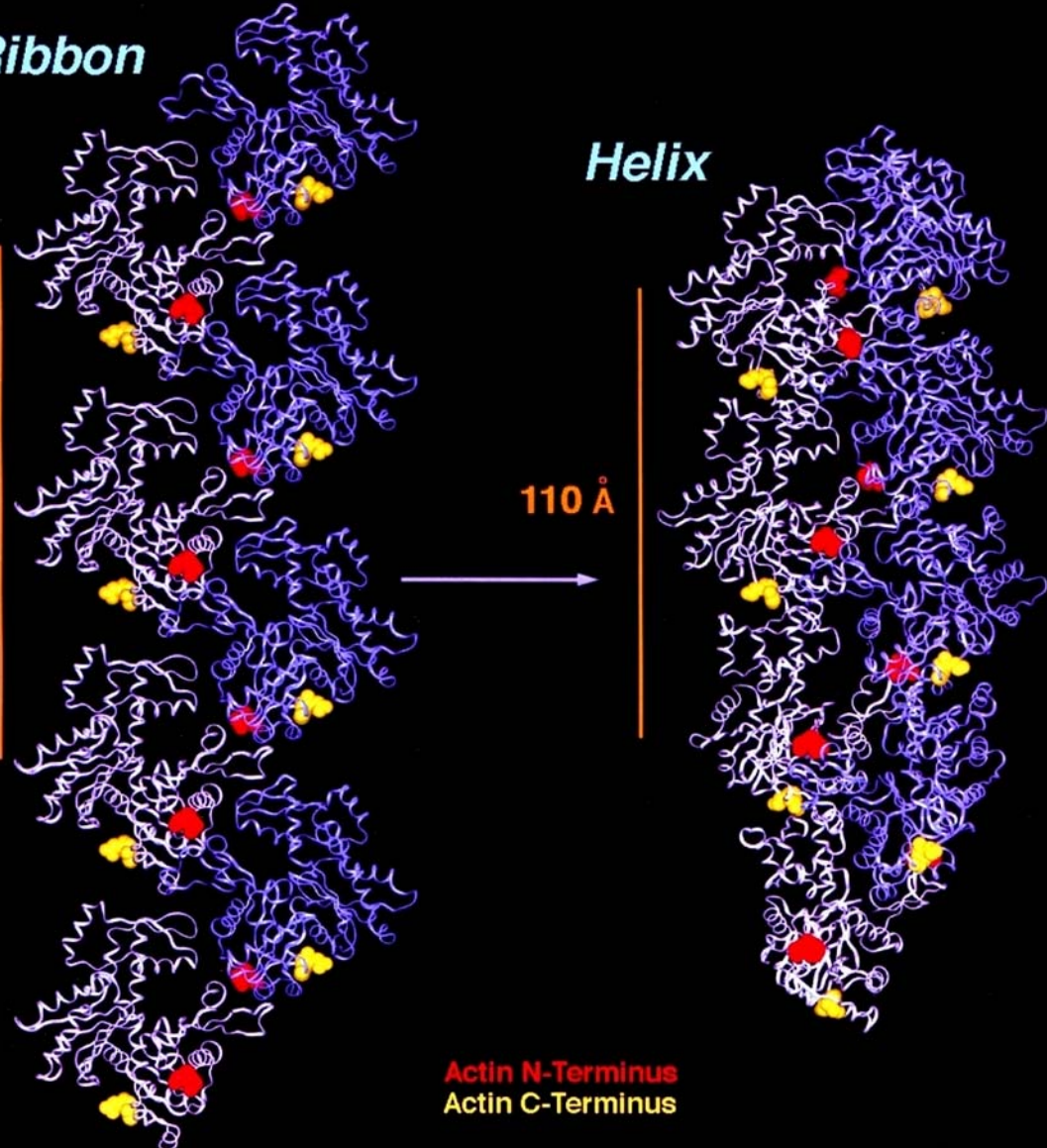
Ribbon

Helix

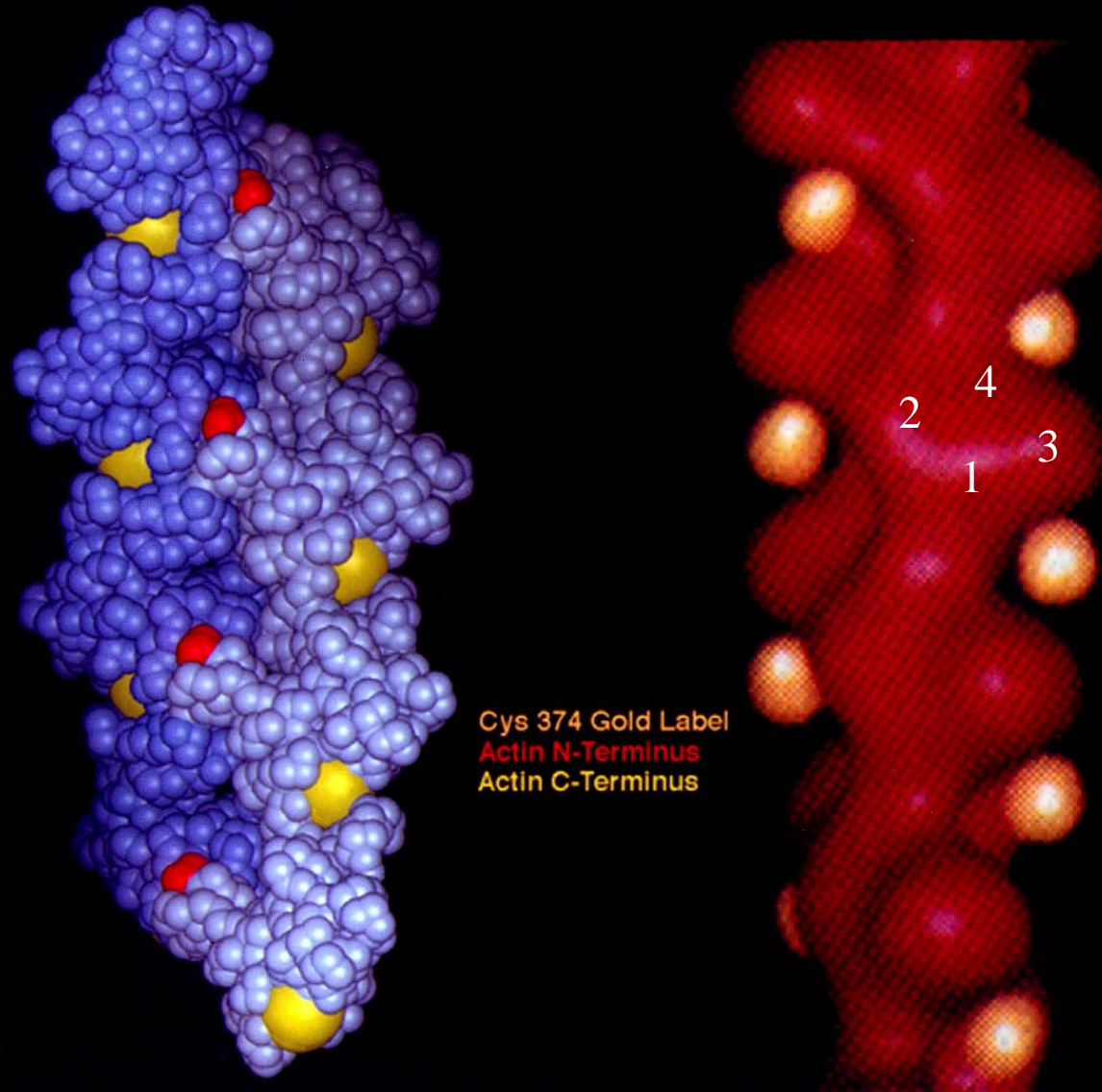
143 Å

110 Å

Actin N-Terminus
Actin C-Terminus

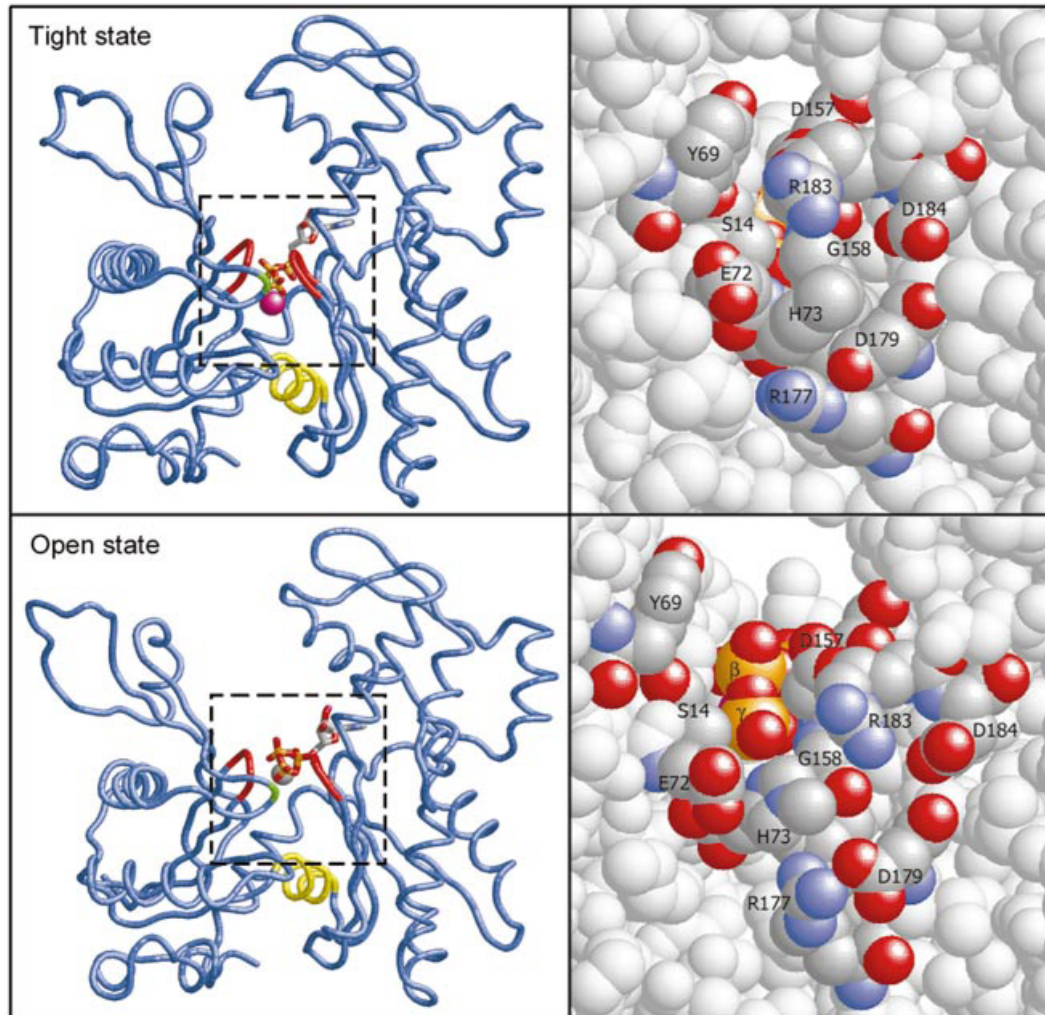


Localization of the Actin C-Terminus



Milligan, Whittaker & Safer, *Nature* **348**, 217-221 (1990)

Mutational Analysis of Interdomain Connectivity in Actin

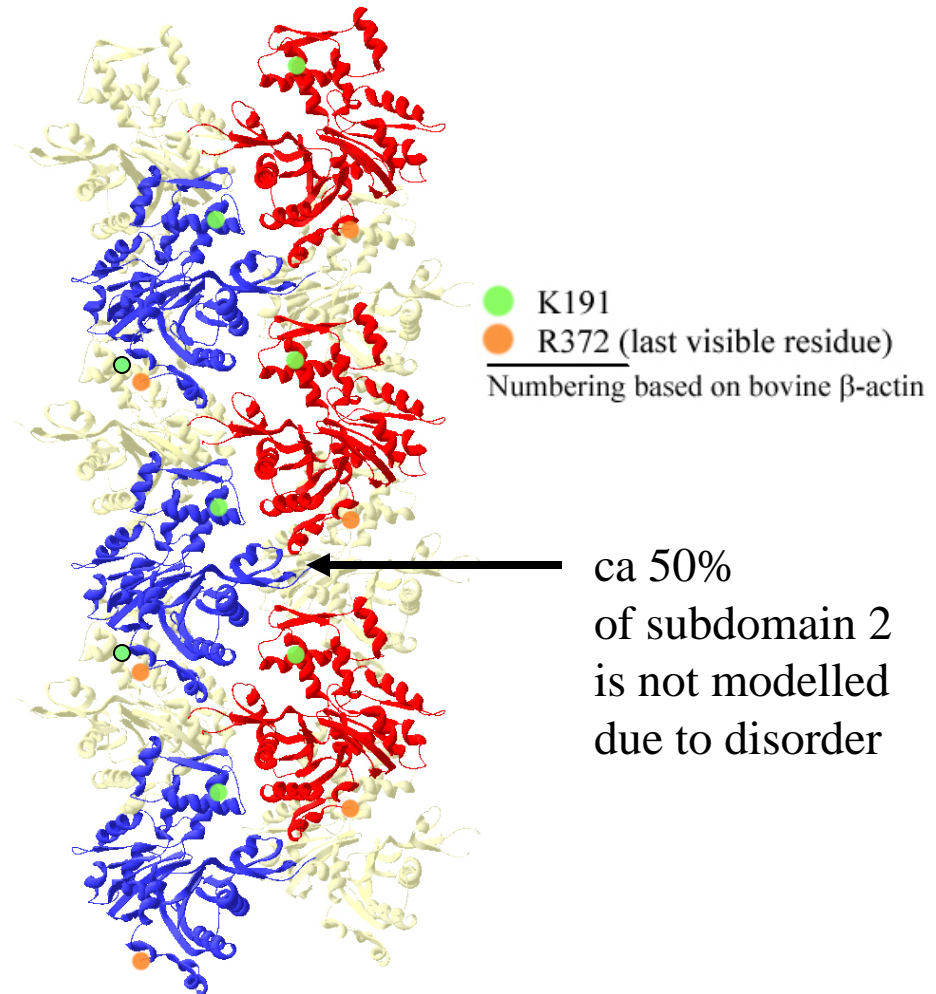


The “polar hub” of actin; its beating heart.

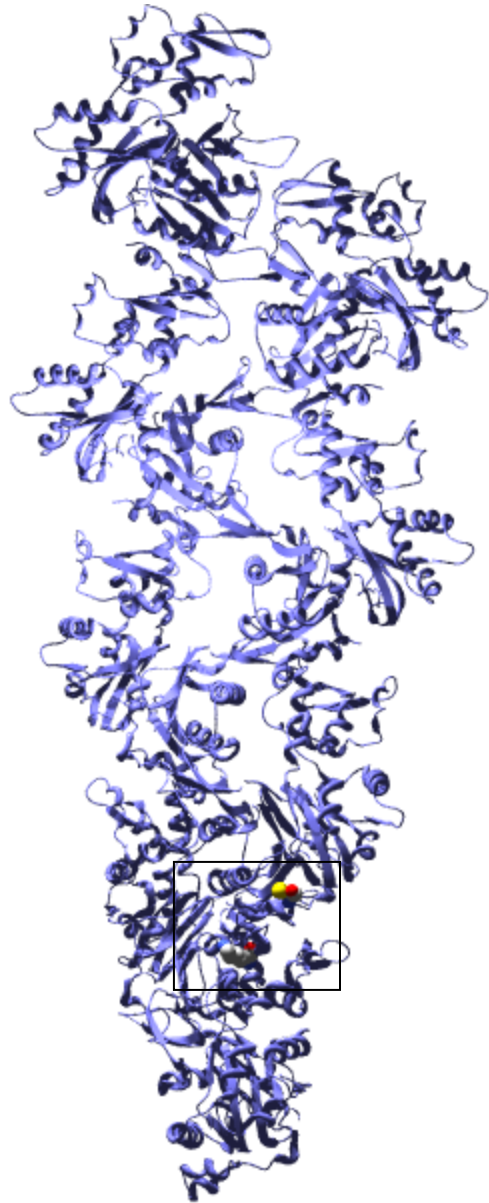
The Ribbon Appears in Crystals of X-linked Actin Trimers!

“Like other experimental data, the actin assemblies found in the **GS-1**-bound actin trimer crystals rule out the models both for F-actin and muscle contraction based on a single F-actin filament transitioning between the helical and ribbon forms described by Schutt *et al.*”

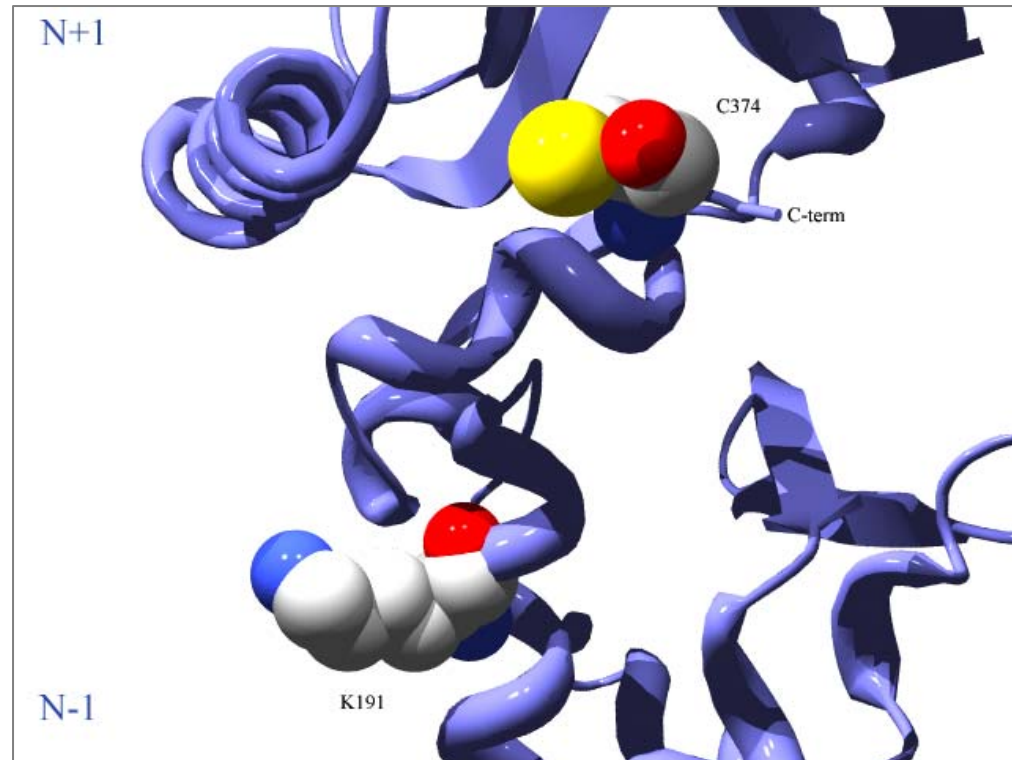
Dawson, Sablin, Spudich, & Fletterick
J. Biol. Chem. **278**, 1229-1238 (2003)



Note: GS-1 not shown.



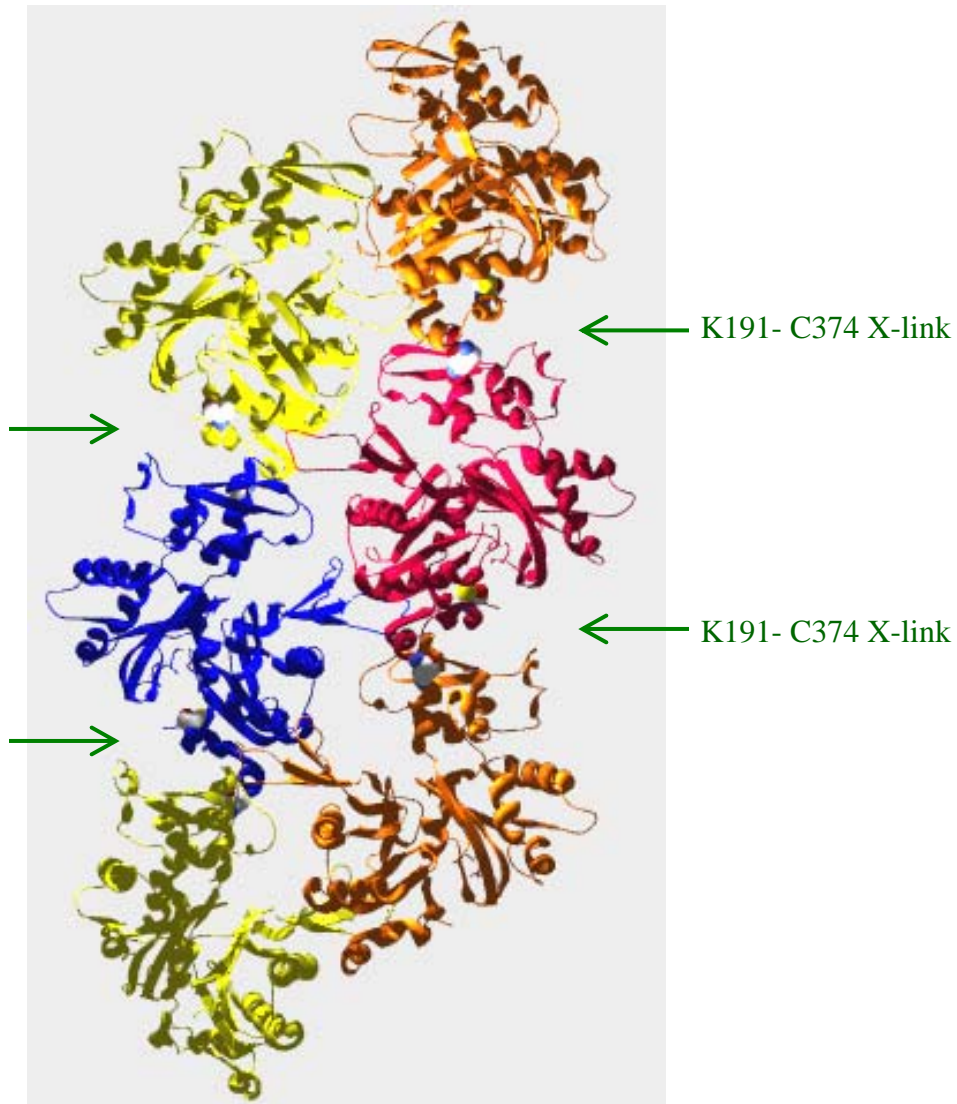
K191-C374 can be X-linked in the ribbon-derived helix by PDM (11.4Å) along the long pitch helix, as anticipated in 1978 by Knight & Offer.



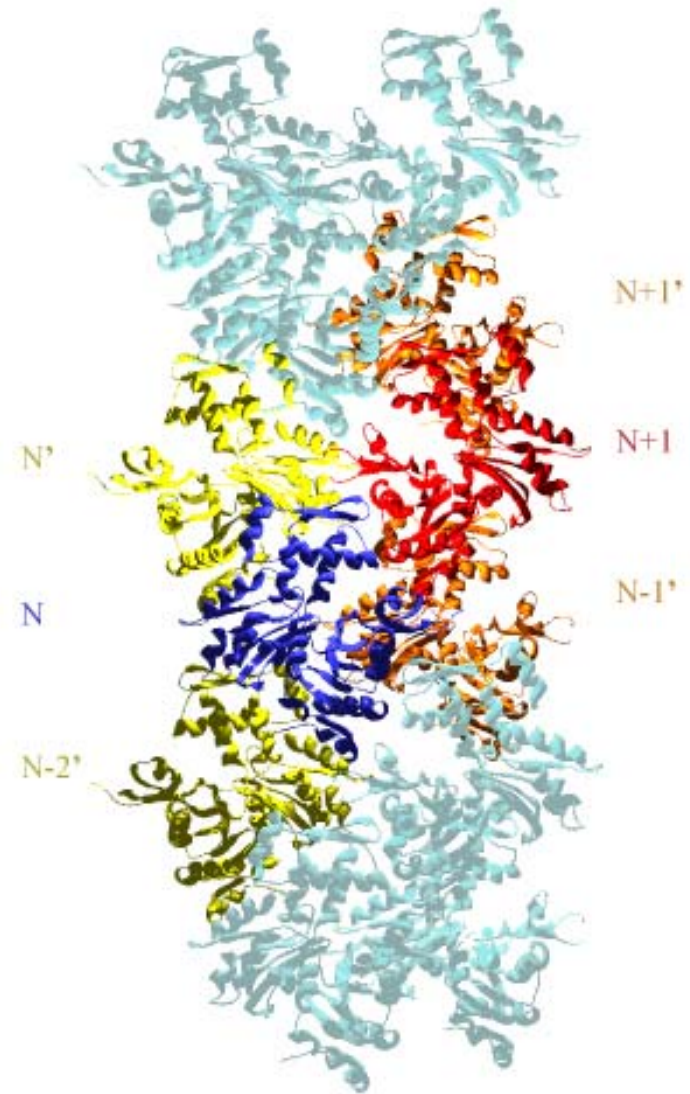
K191 eN – C374 S distance: 16.9 Å

NB: last residue seen in crystal is R372, indicating flexibility in the X-linked region.

Helix-Derived Trimers Are Consistent With X-links Deduced by Dawson *et al.*



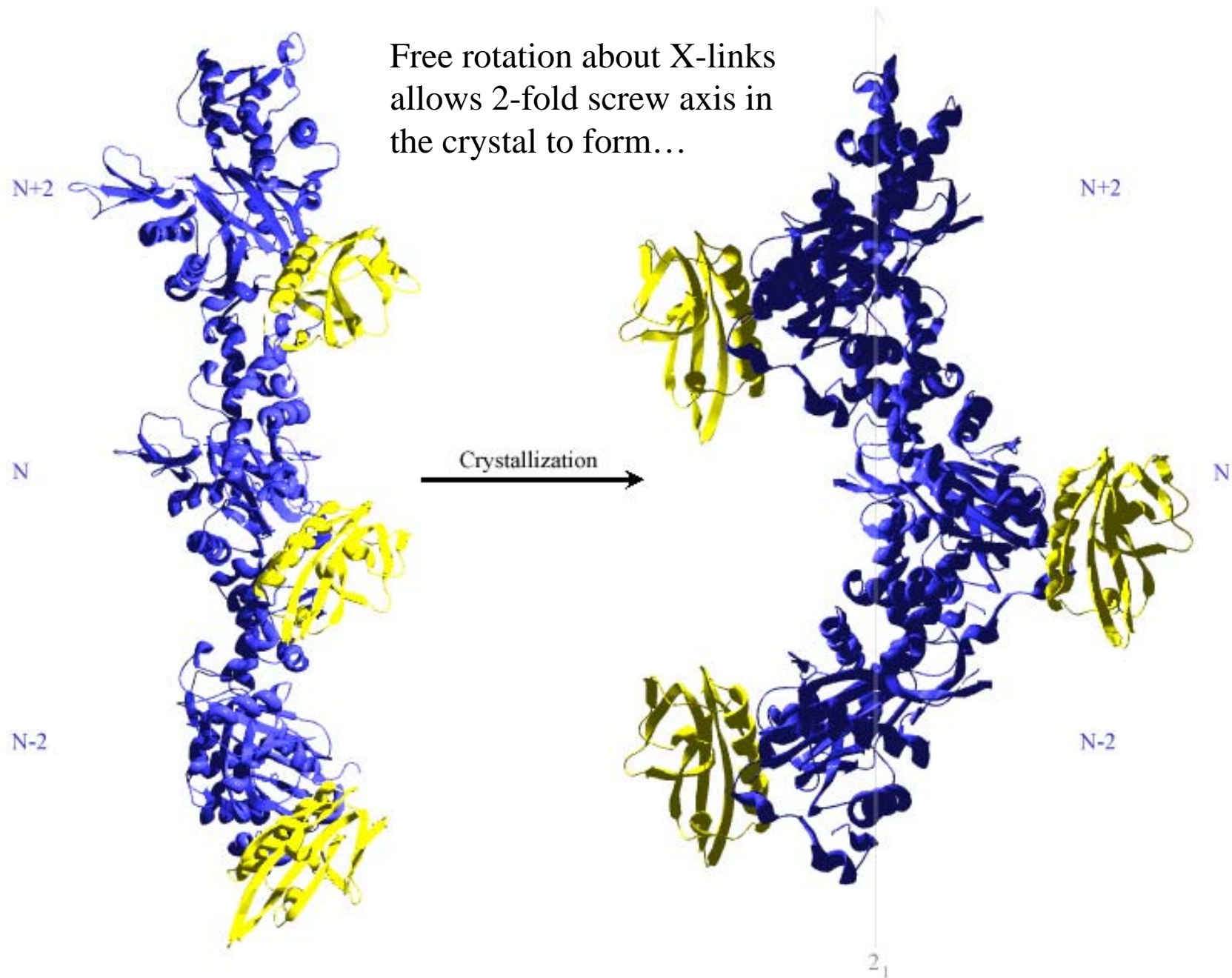
Ribbon-derived helix



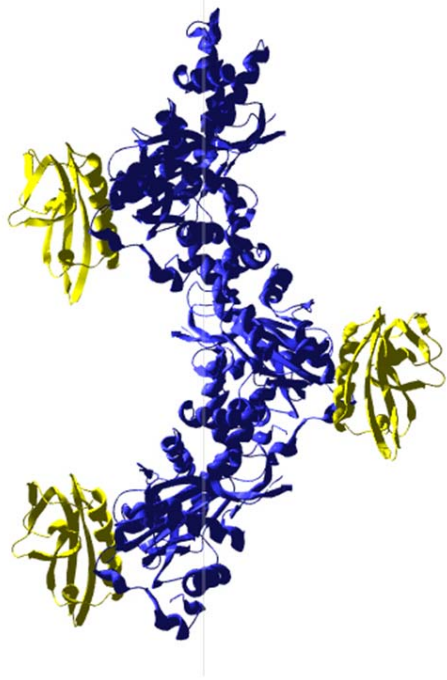
Dawson *et al.* crystal

Note: GS-1 not shown.

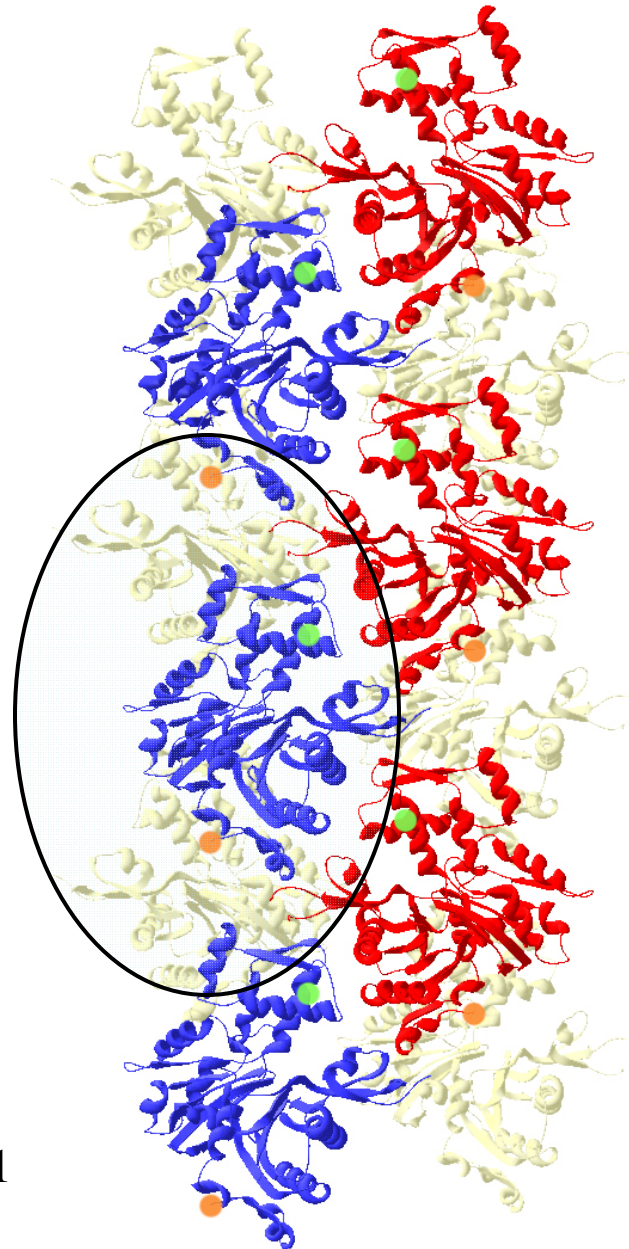
Free rotation about X-links
allows 2-fold screw axis in
the crystal to form...



...therefore
ribbon organization
of actin *not* ruled out
by Dawson *et al.*

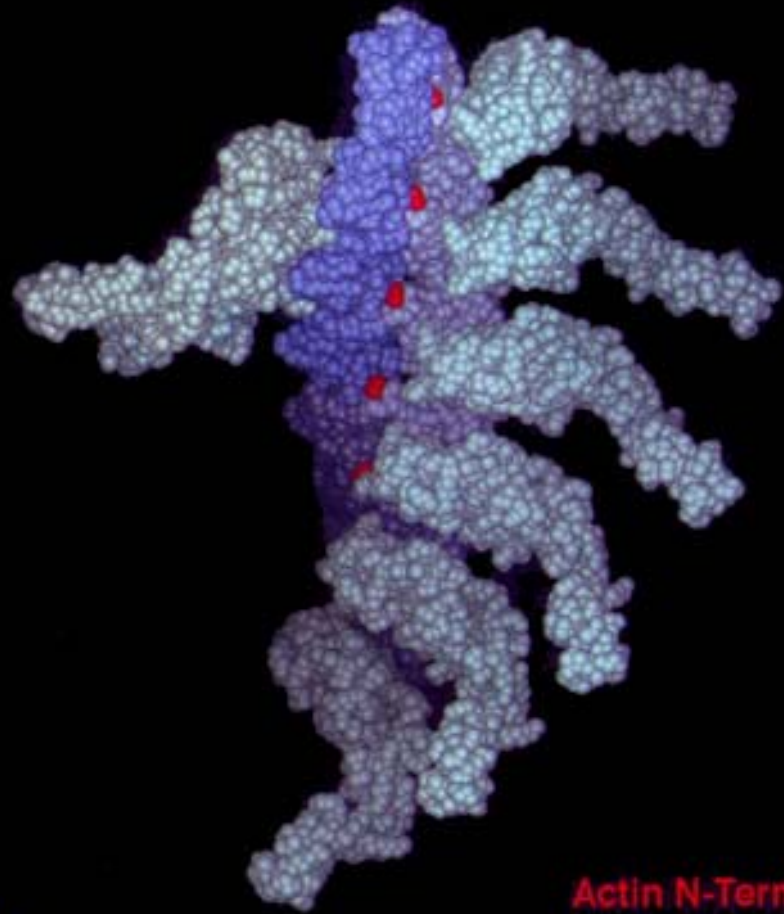
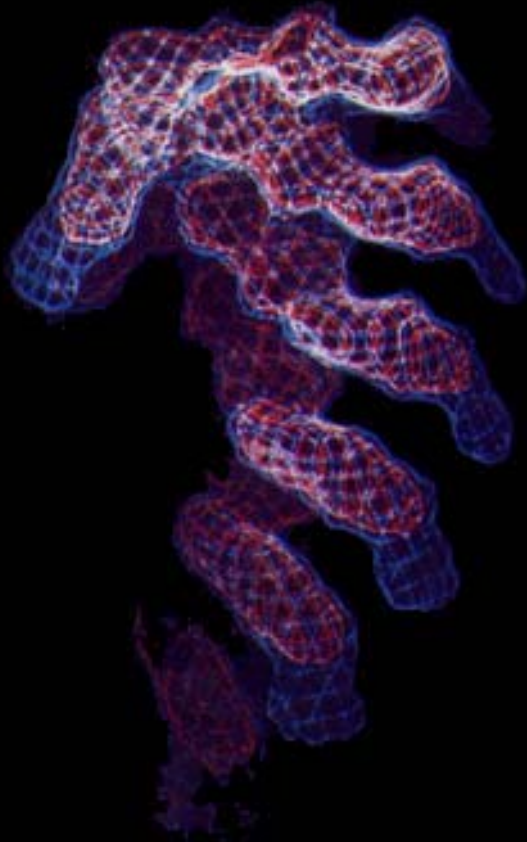


Edge-on view:
Schutt-Lindberg-derived trimer with GS-1



Plane view: X-linked actin trimers in crystal

The Actomyosin Rigor Complex



Milligan et al. *J. Cell Biology* (1987) 105, p. 34

Actin N-Terminus
Actin C-Terminus

Actomyosin Complex Contact Region

hydrophobic
plug

(Rubenstein)

Cys 374

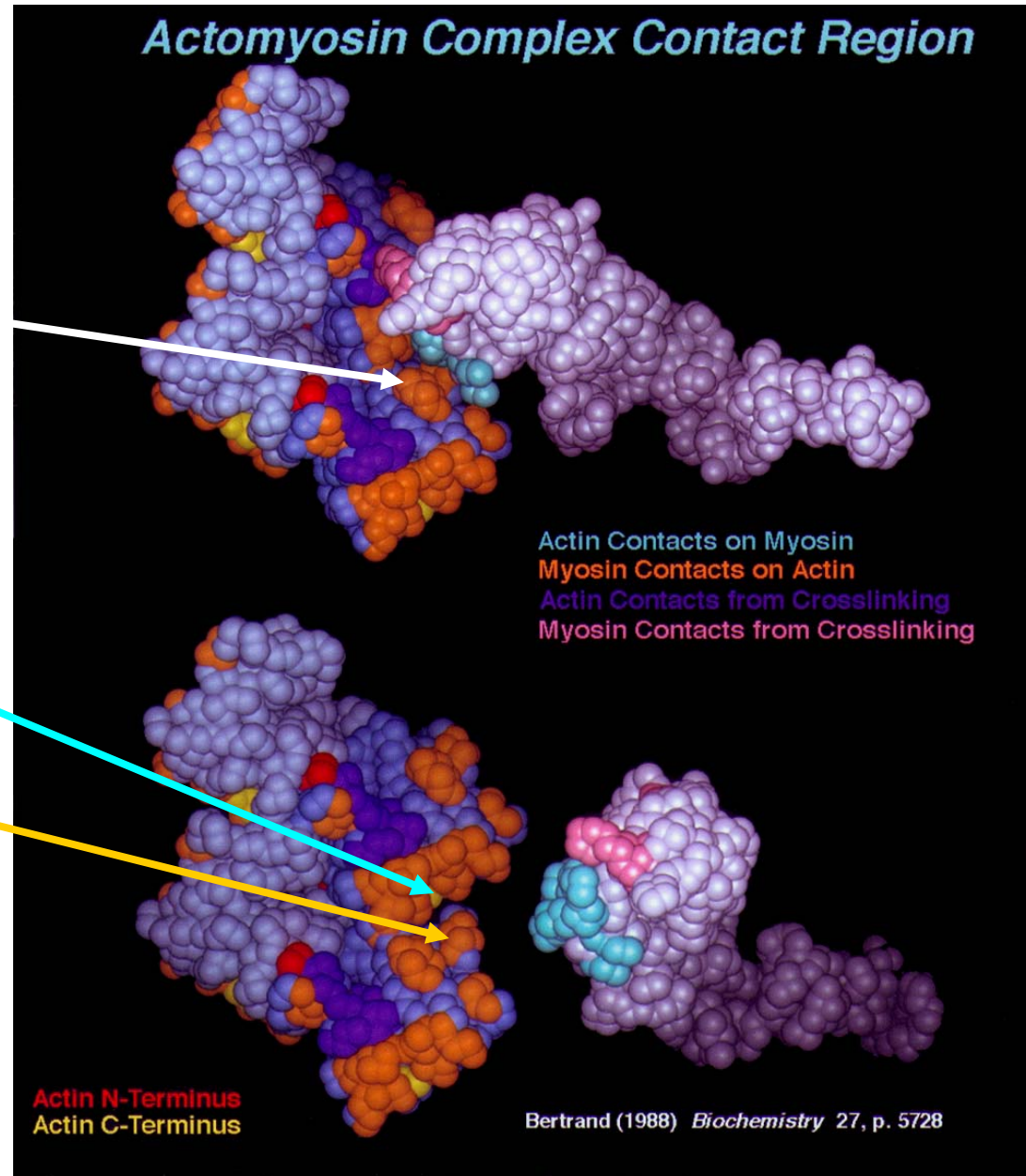
Lys 191

(Knight &
Offer, 1978)

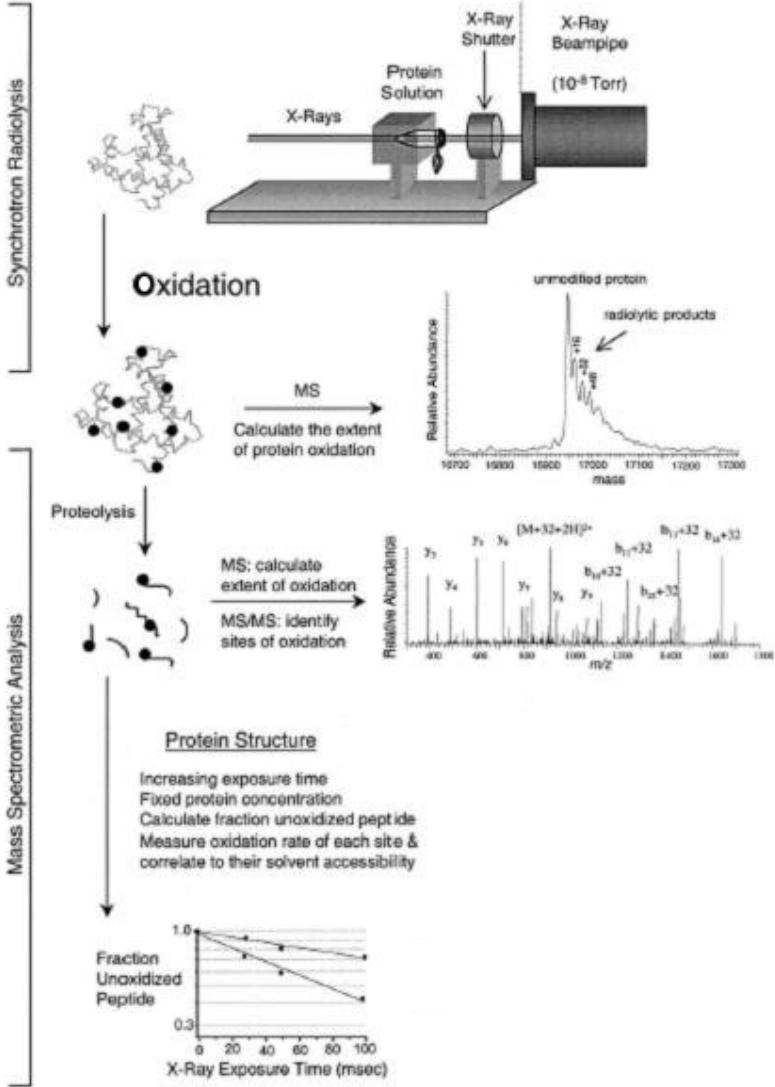
Actin Contacts on Myosin
Myosin Contacts on Actin
Actin Contacts from Crosslinking
Myosin Contacts from Crosslinking

Actin N-Terminus
Actin C-Terminus

Bertrand (1988) *Biochemistry* 27, p. 5728

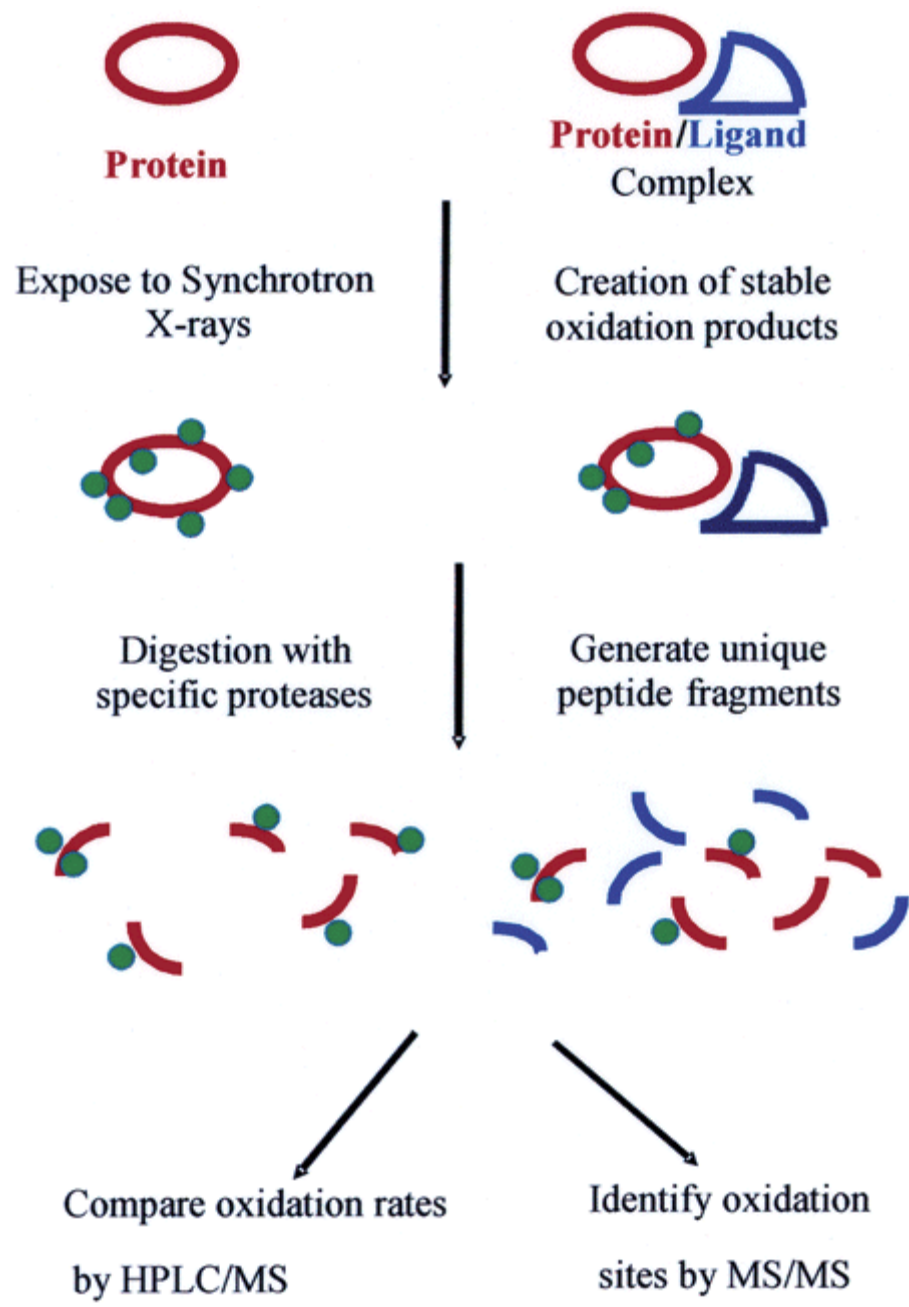


Synchrotron Protein Footprinting



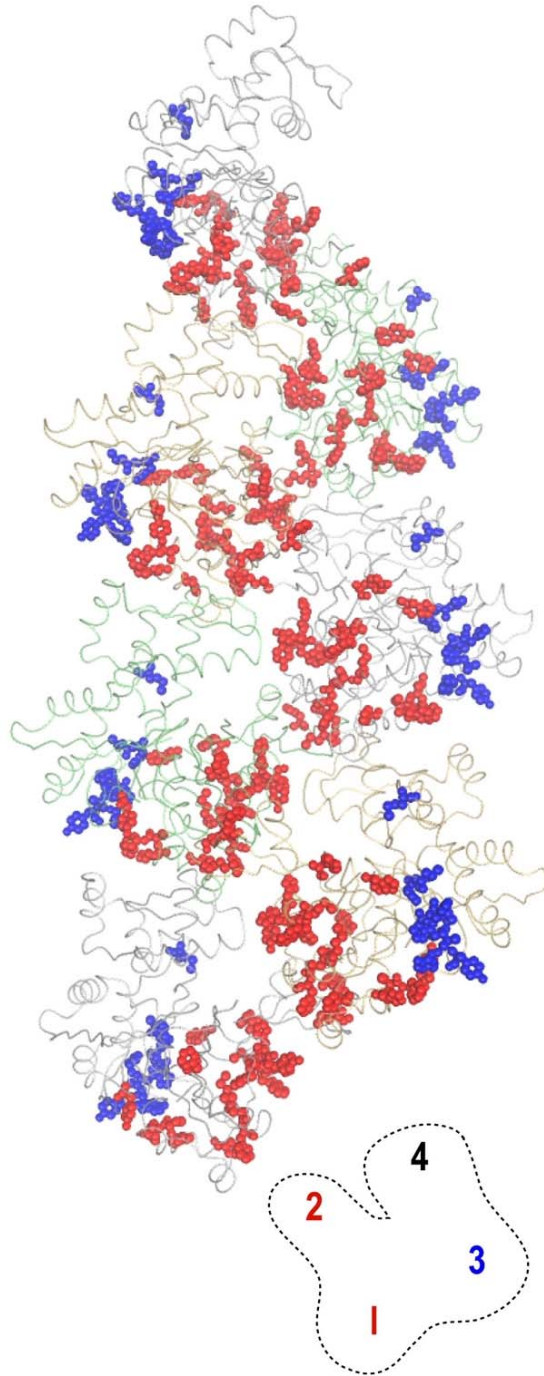
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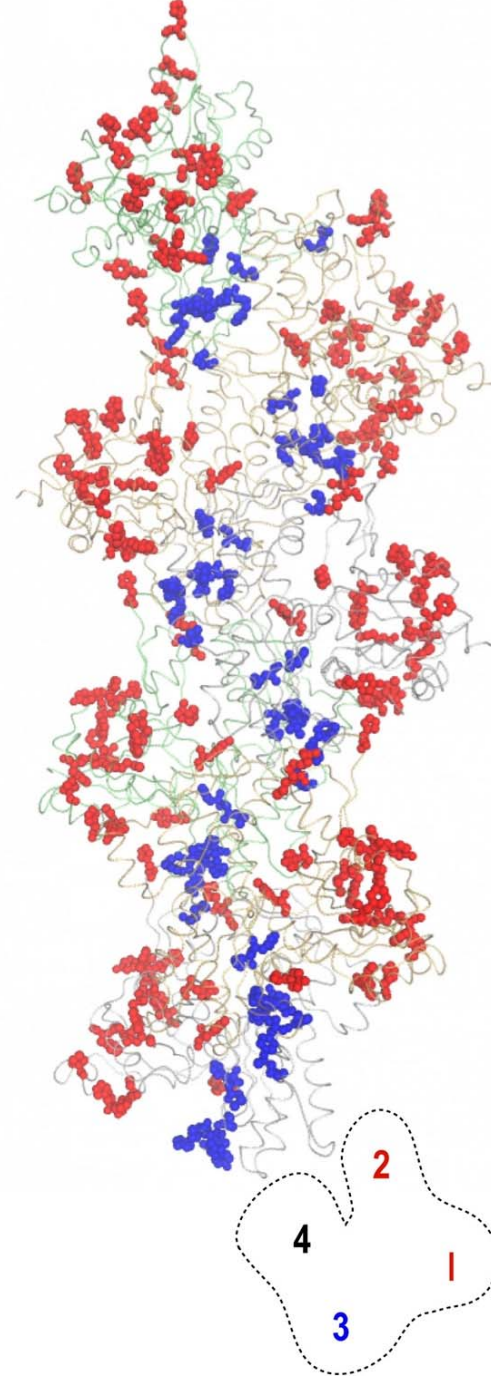


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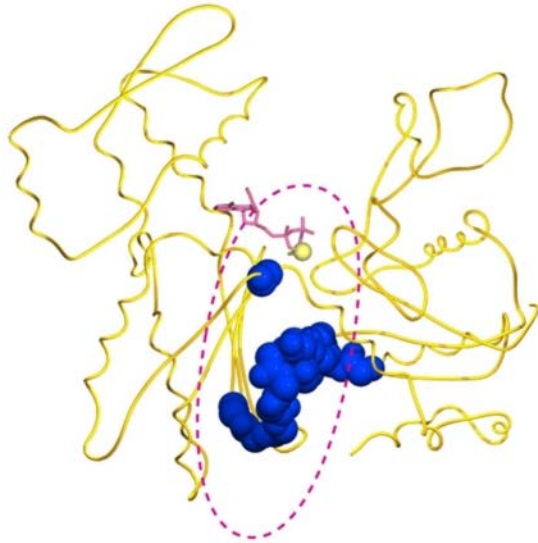
Schutt-Lindberg Model



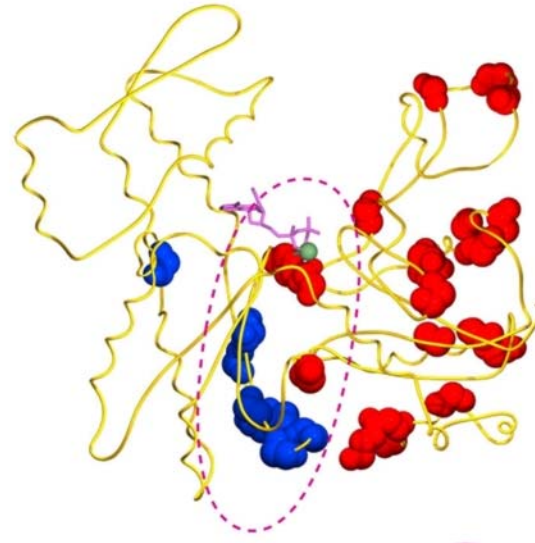
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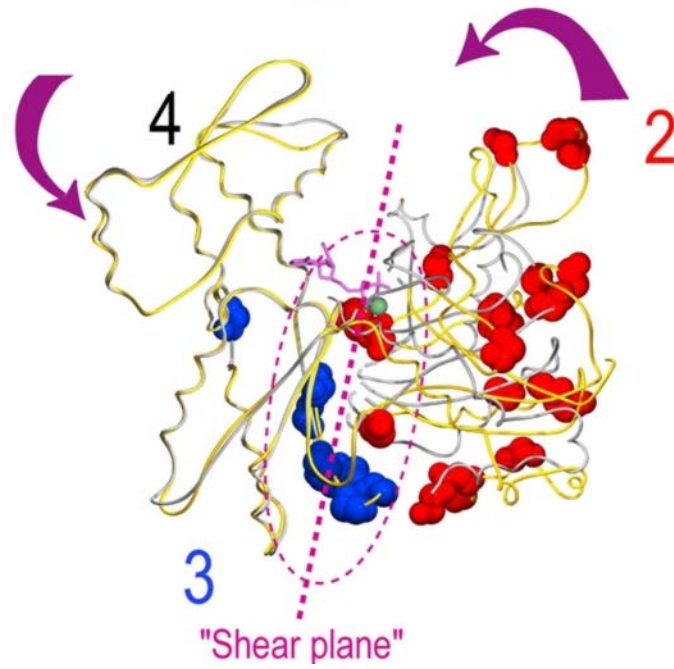
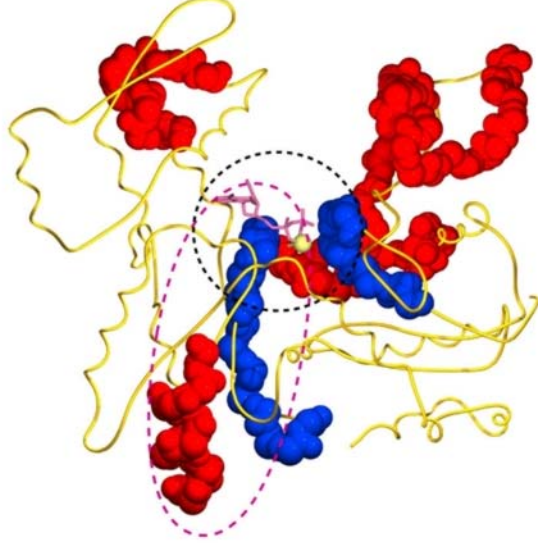
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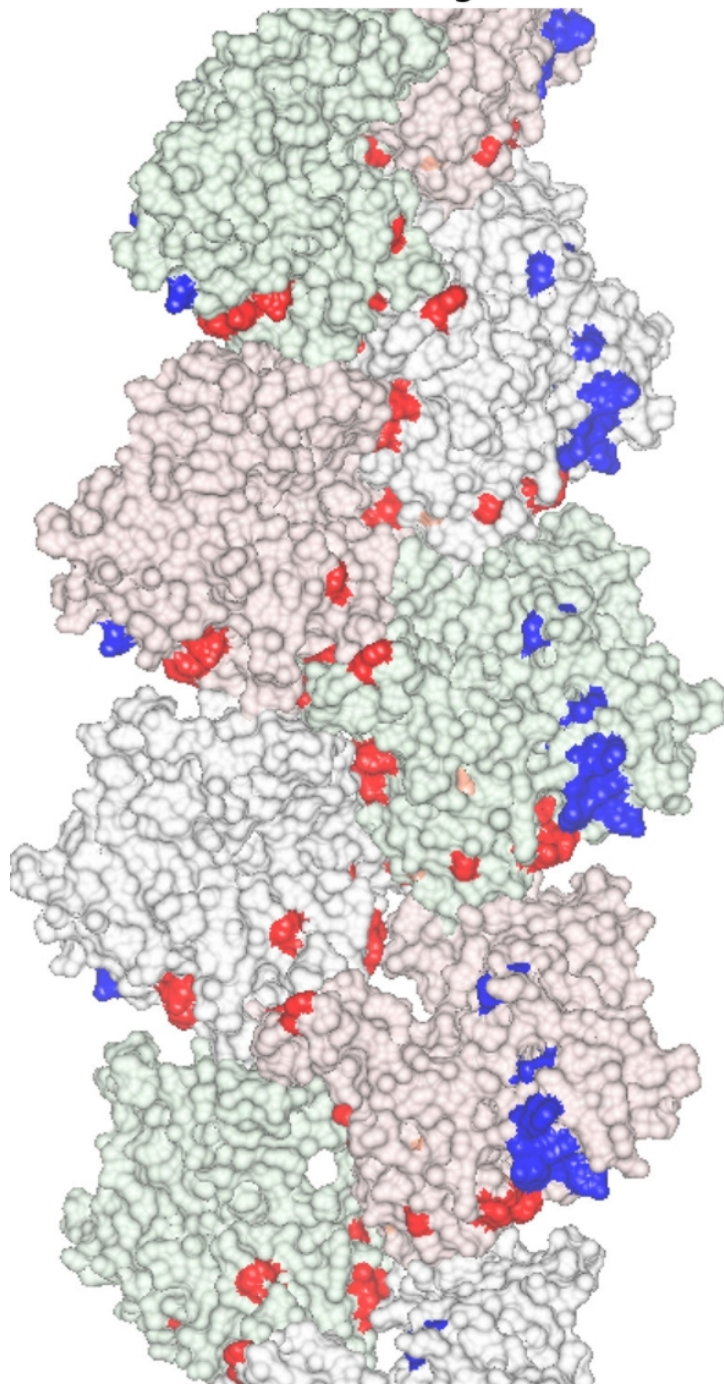
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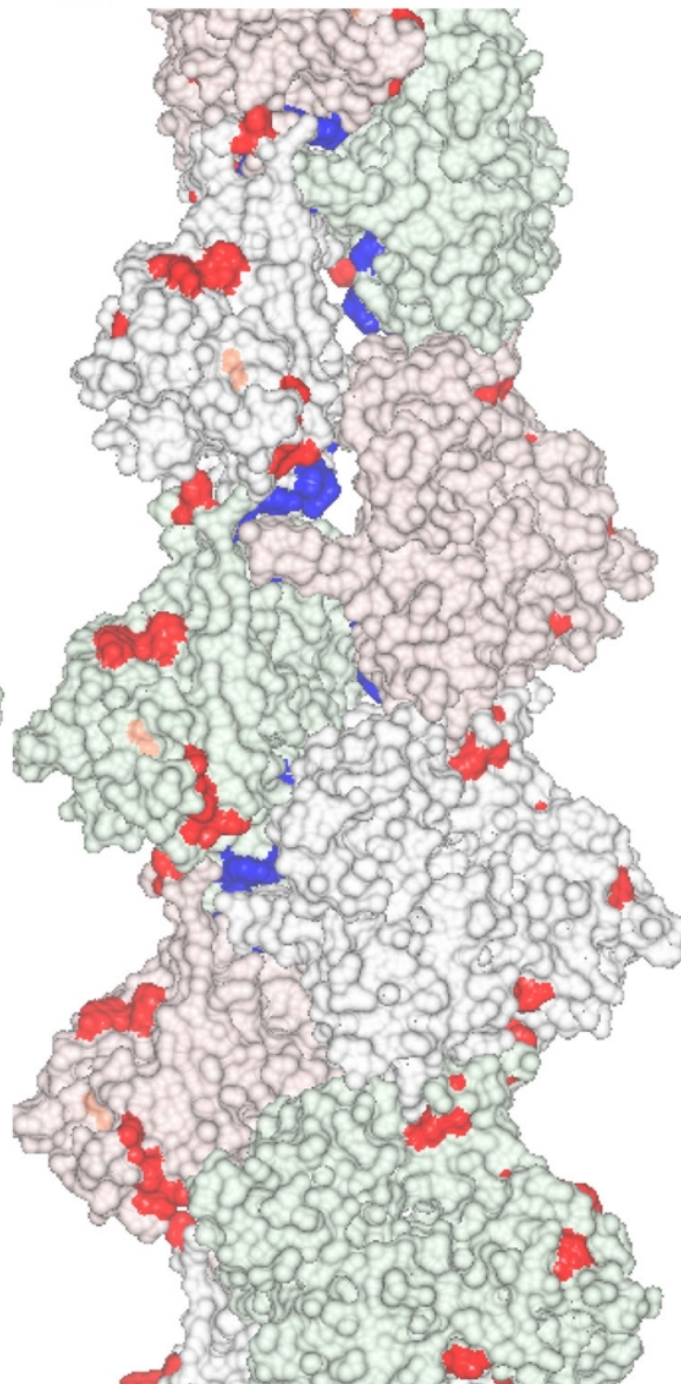
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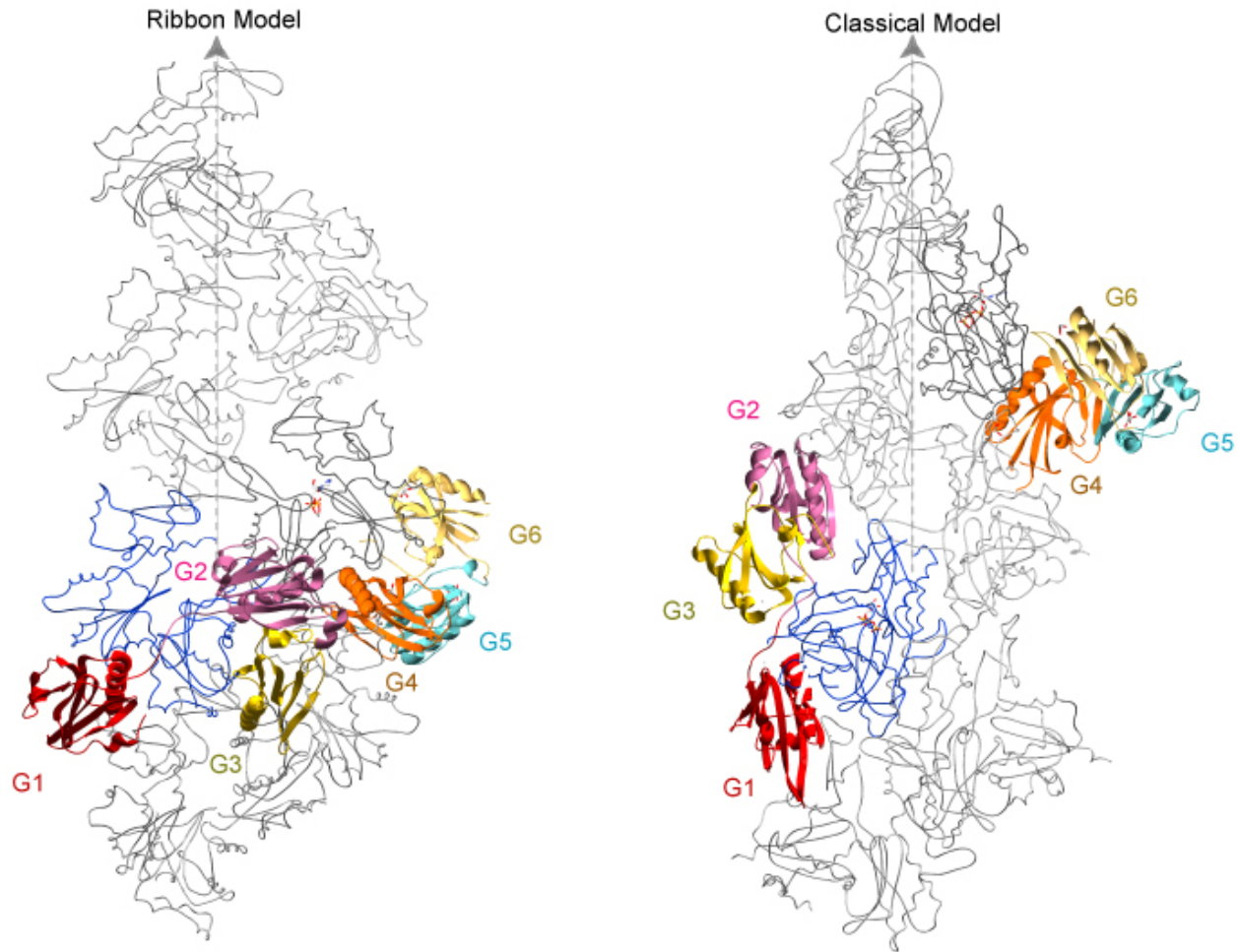
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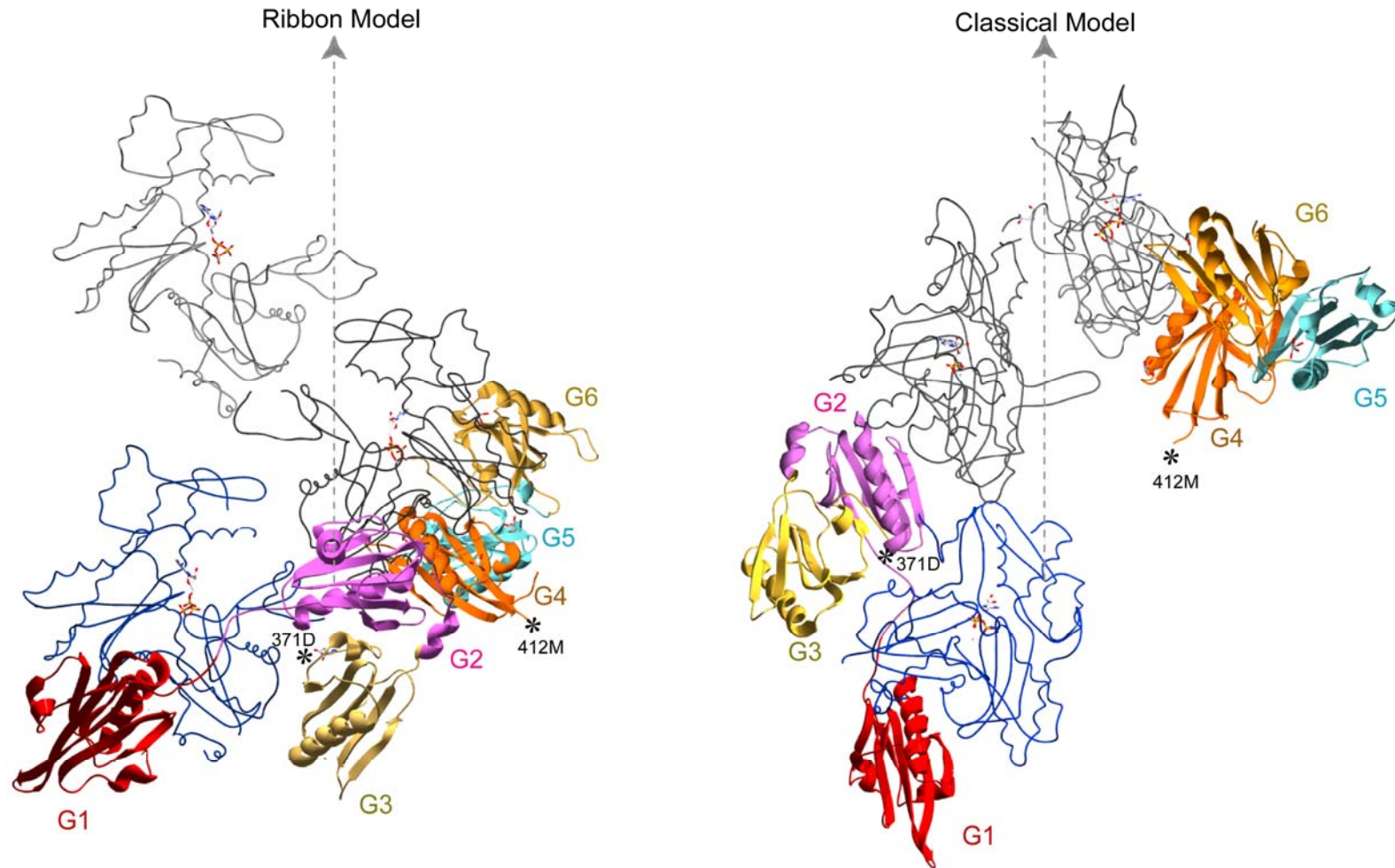
Binding of Gelsolin to F-Actin



G1-3_actin: Burtnick *et al.* *EMBO J.* **23**, 2713-2722 (2004)

G4-6_actin: Choe *et al.*, *J. Mol. Biol.* **324**, 691-702 (2002)

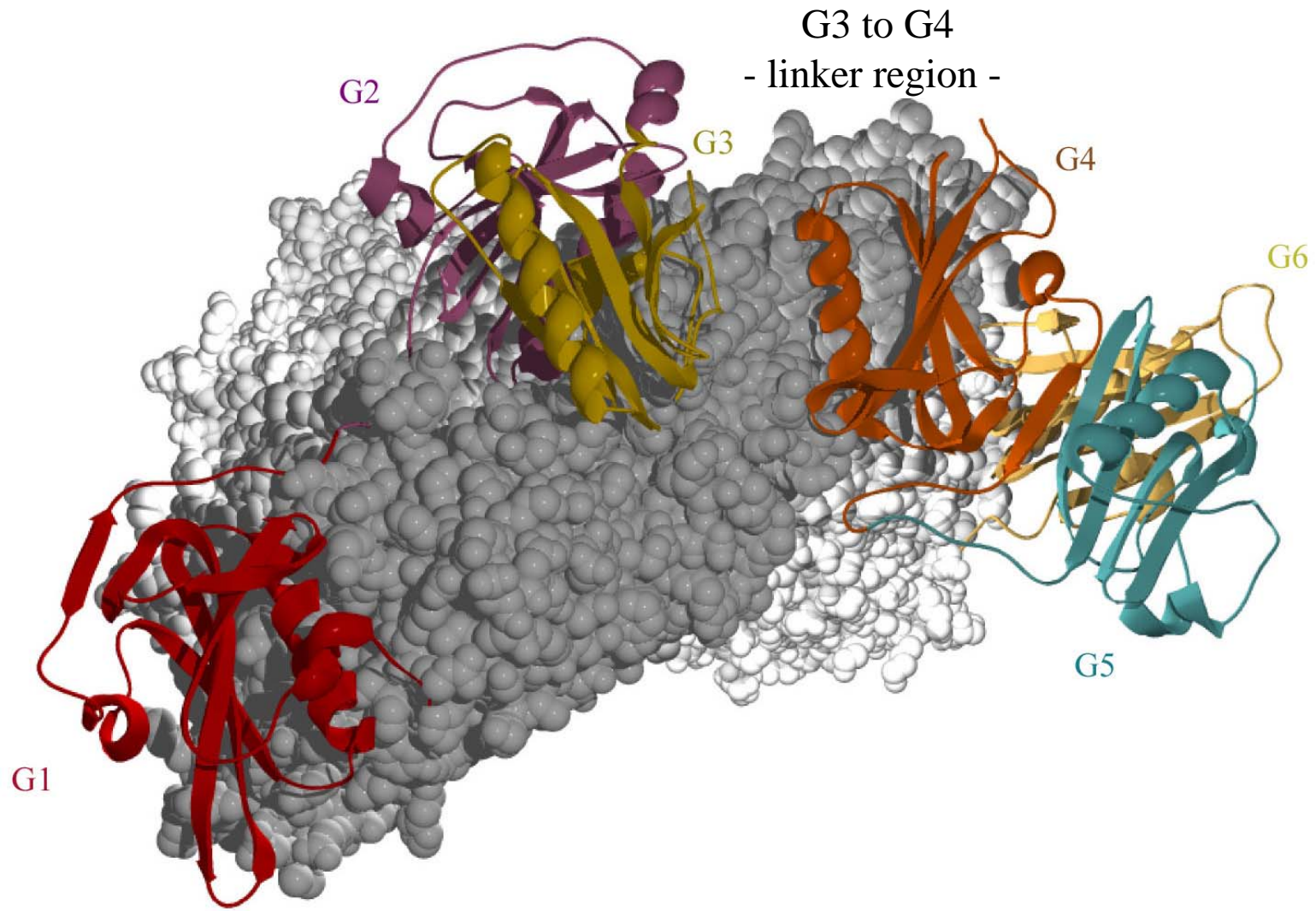
Capping of the Barbed End of F-Actin

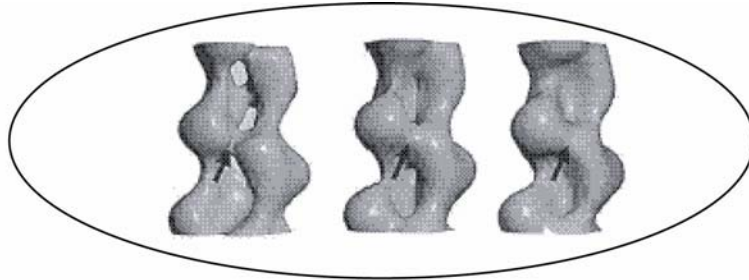


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Gelsolin Capping the Barbed End – End View





ECP Cleavage of DNase binding loop between 42 and 43



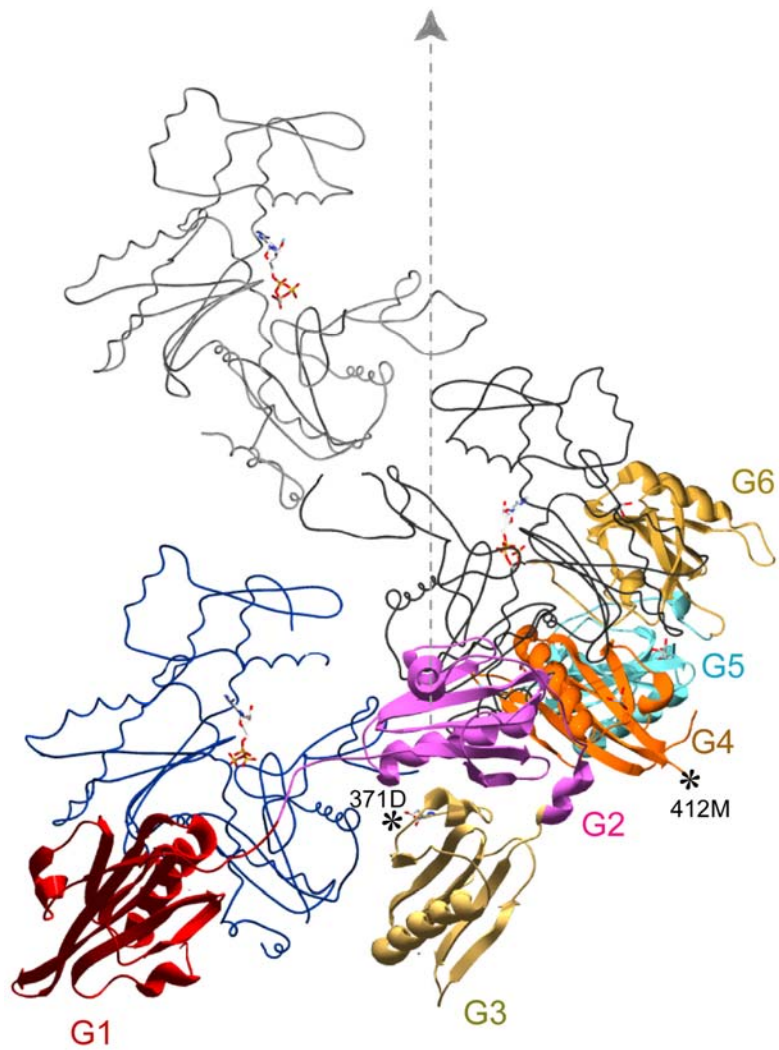
Severing by gelsolin is based on transmission of conformational changes in actin.

Aspenström et al. *FEBS Lett.* **329**, 163-70, (1993)

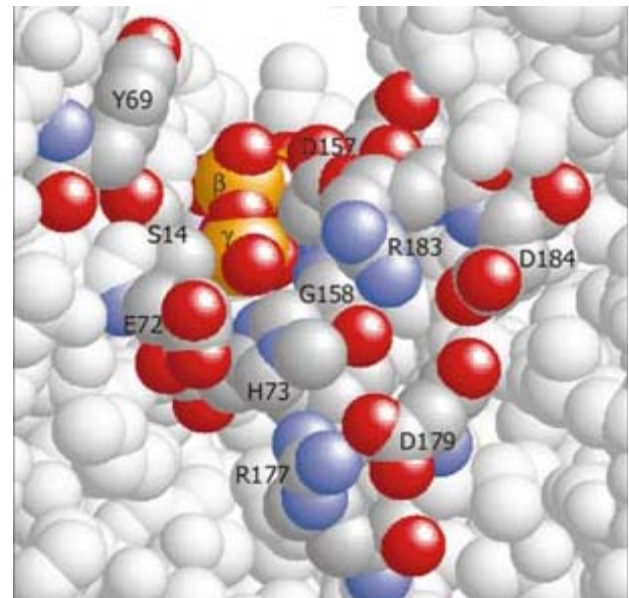
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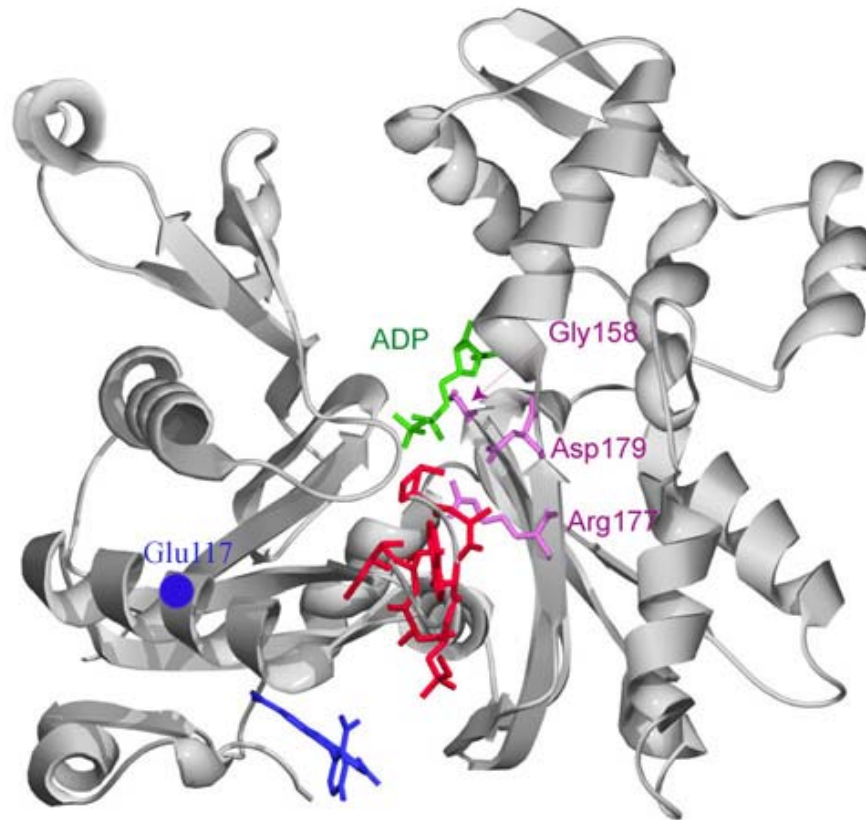


Gelsolin-capped barbed end



The polar hub of actin

Phalloidin Binding Site on Actin



Rhodamine binds in the "G1 cleft".

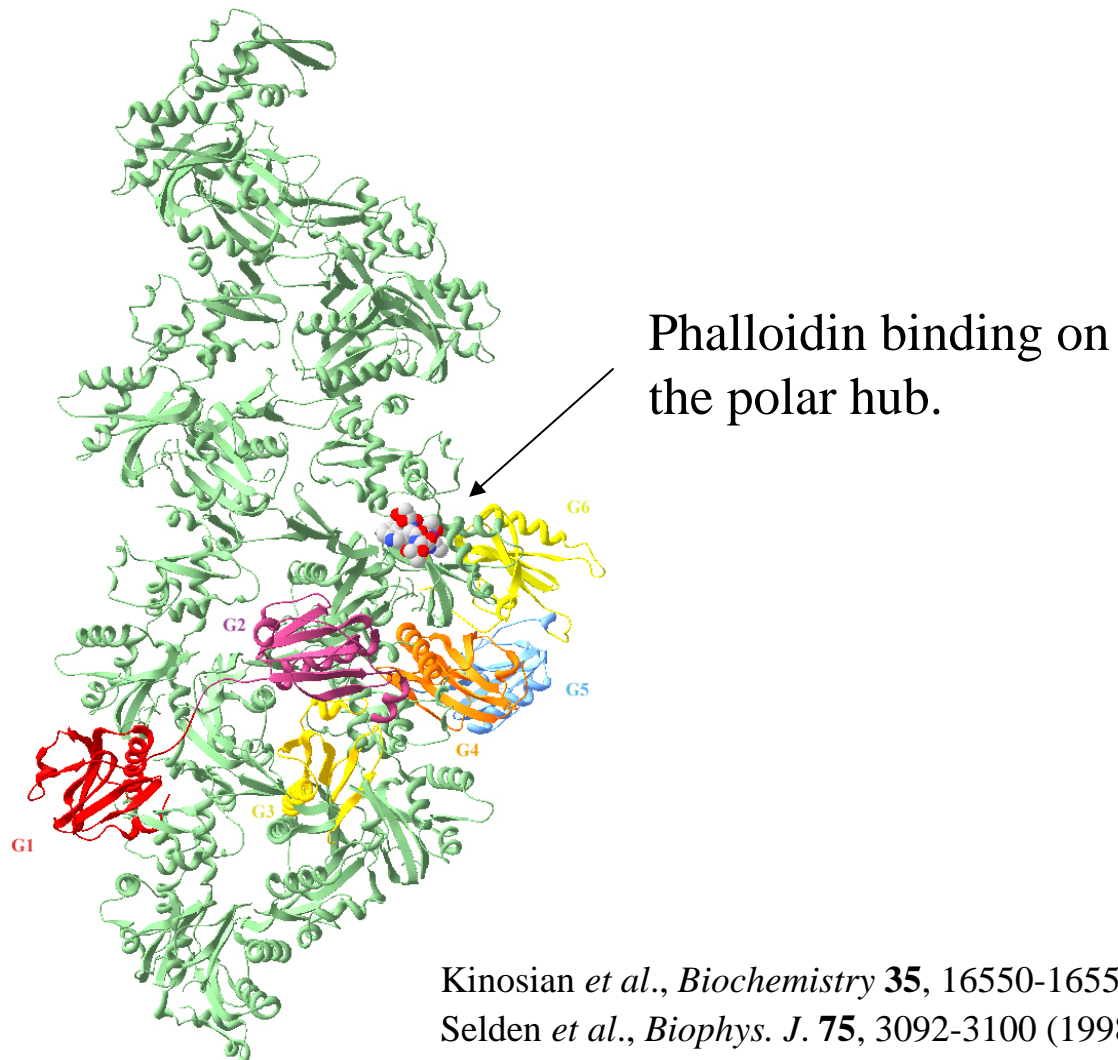
Phalloidin binds to G158, D179, R177.

Phalloidin (red) (Ala-Trp-Ala-Thr-Cys) could bridge the two sites.

Note also cross-linking data by Vandekerckhove *et al.*, *EMBO J.* **4**, 2815-2828 (1985): E117, M119, M355.

Rhodamine from Otterbein *et al.*, *Science* **293**, 708-711 (2001).

Phalloidin Inhibits Gelsolin Severing Activity



Kinosian *et al.*, *Biochemistry* **35**, 16550-16556 (1996)

Selden *et al.*, *Biophys. J.* **75**, 3092-3100 (1998)

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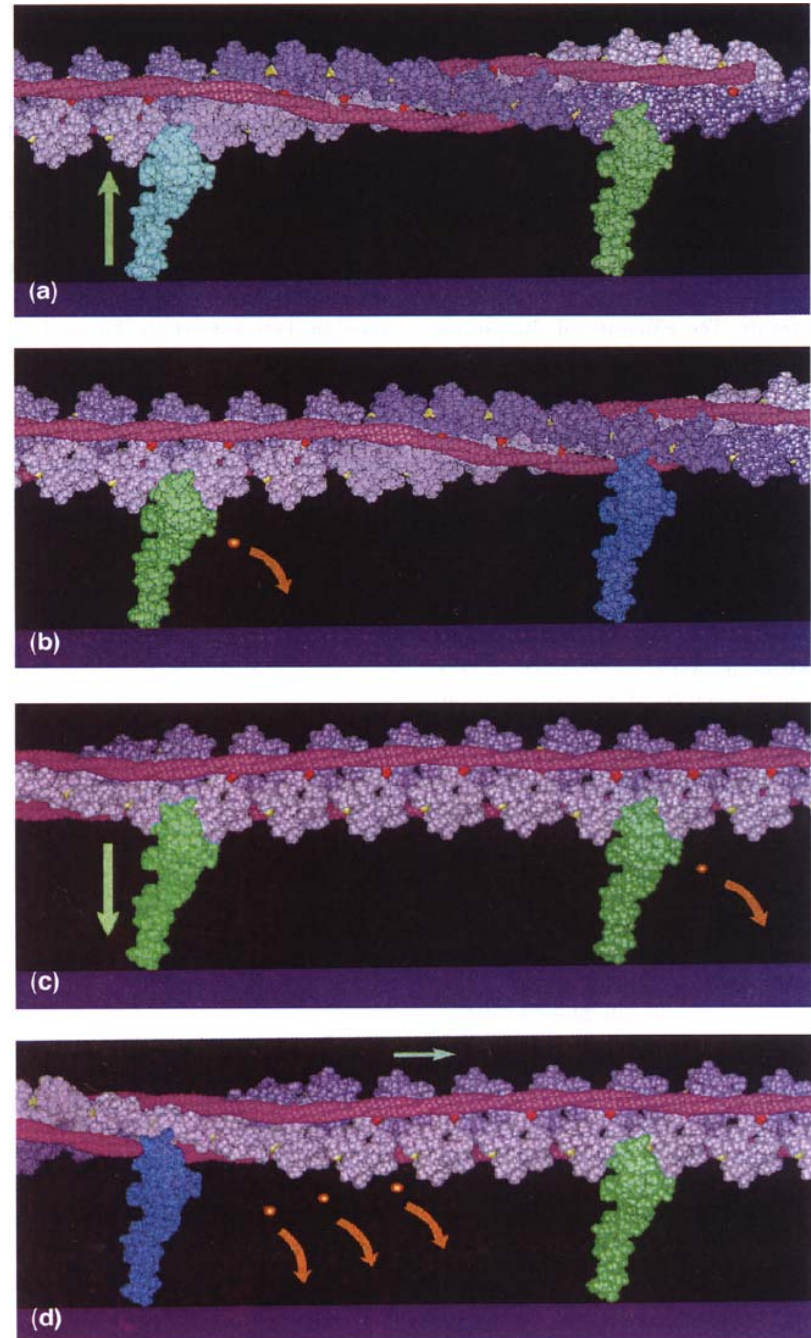
Actin Motor Model

Myosin induces a change in actin filaments.

The change is propagated along actin filaments.

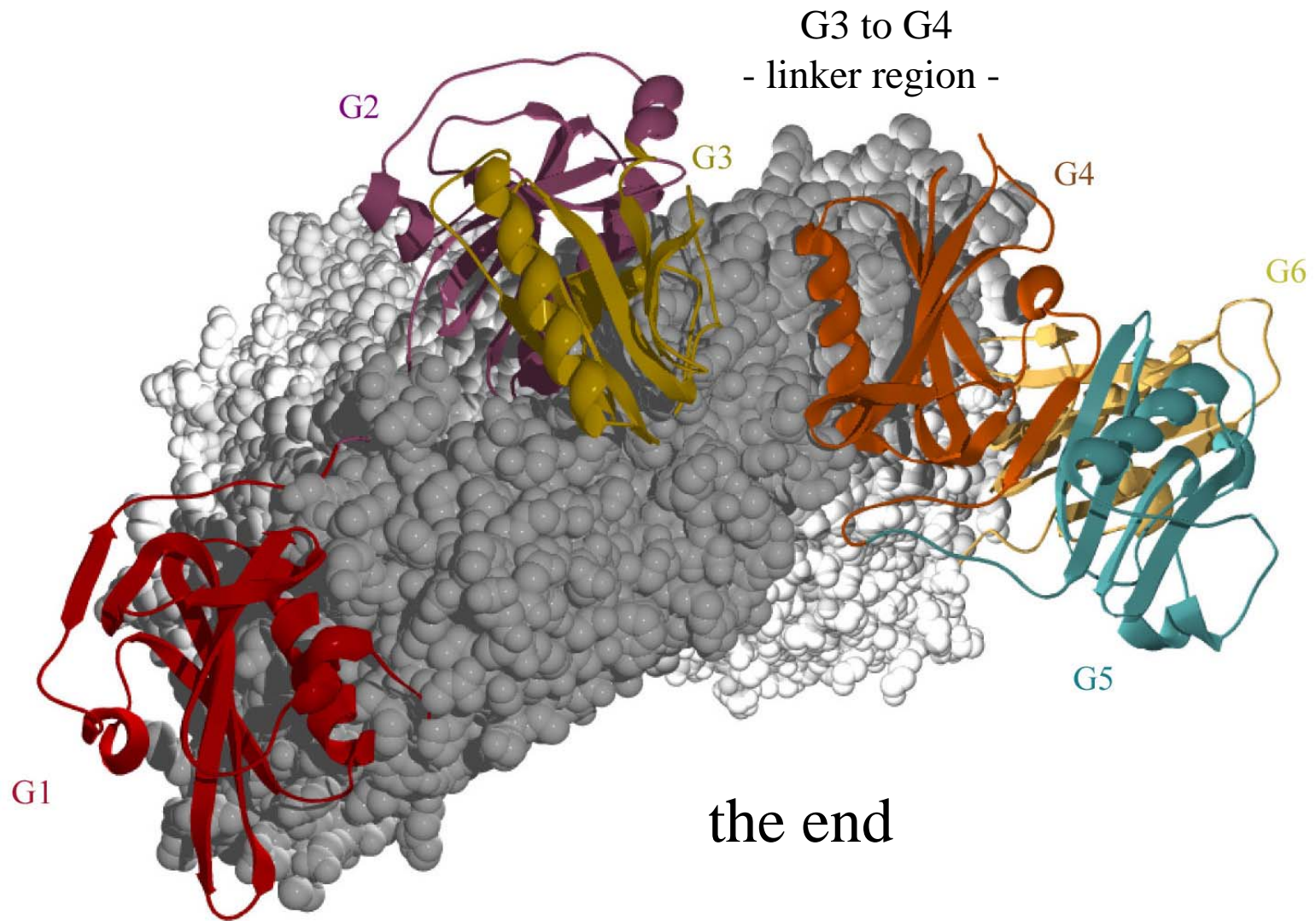
ATP is hydrolyzed on actin.

Force is generated as actin expels phosphate.



Actin as the Generator of Tension





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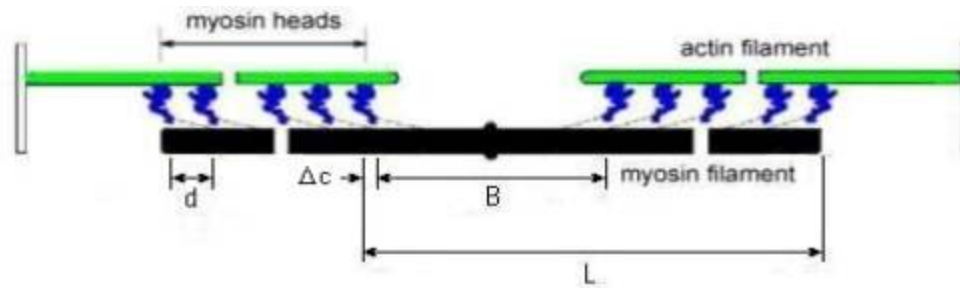


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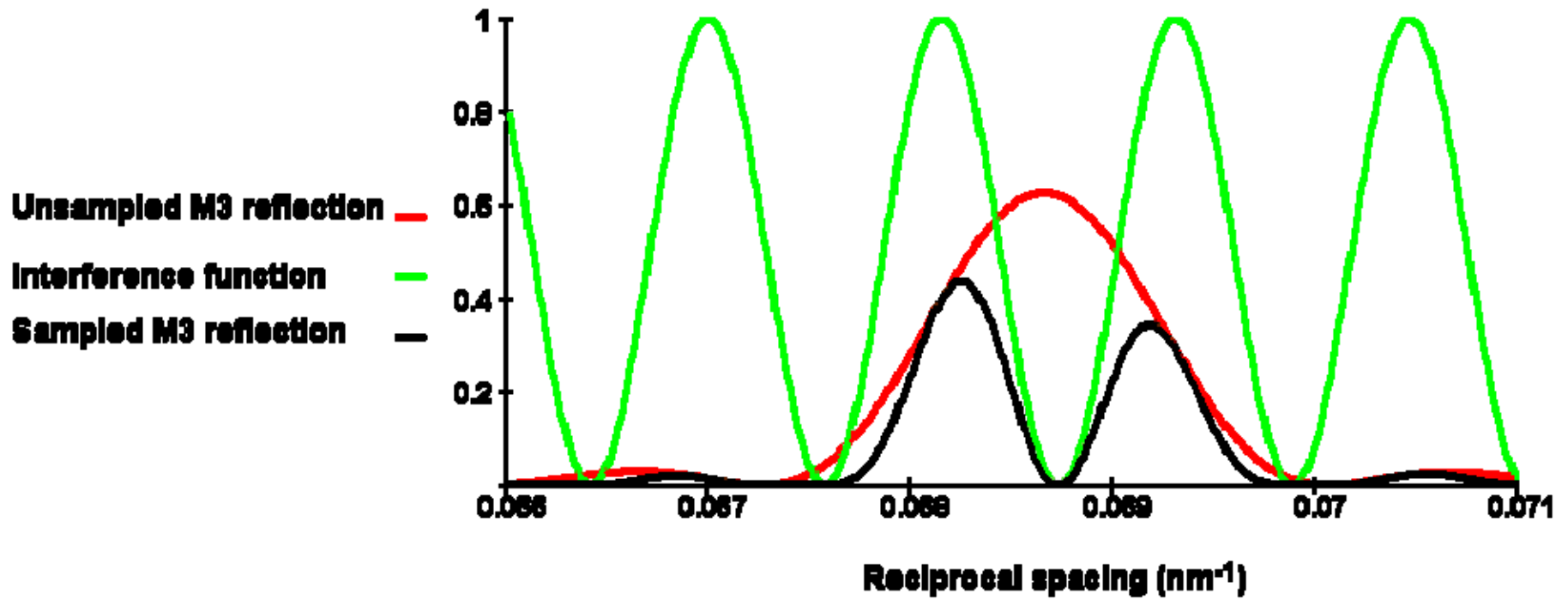
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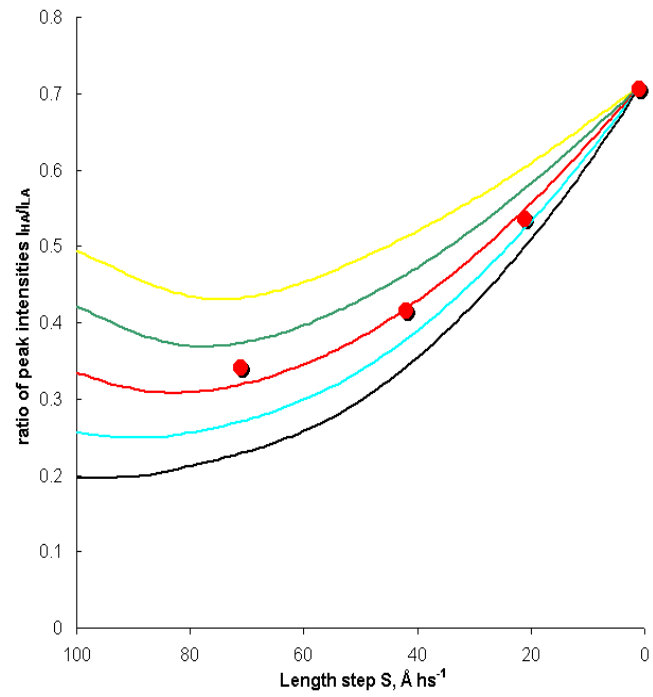
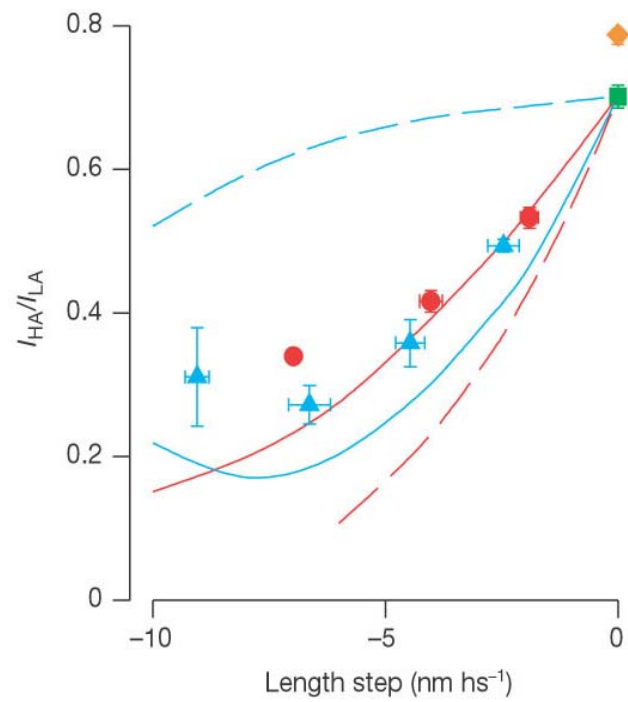
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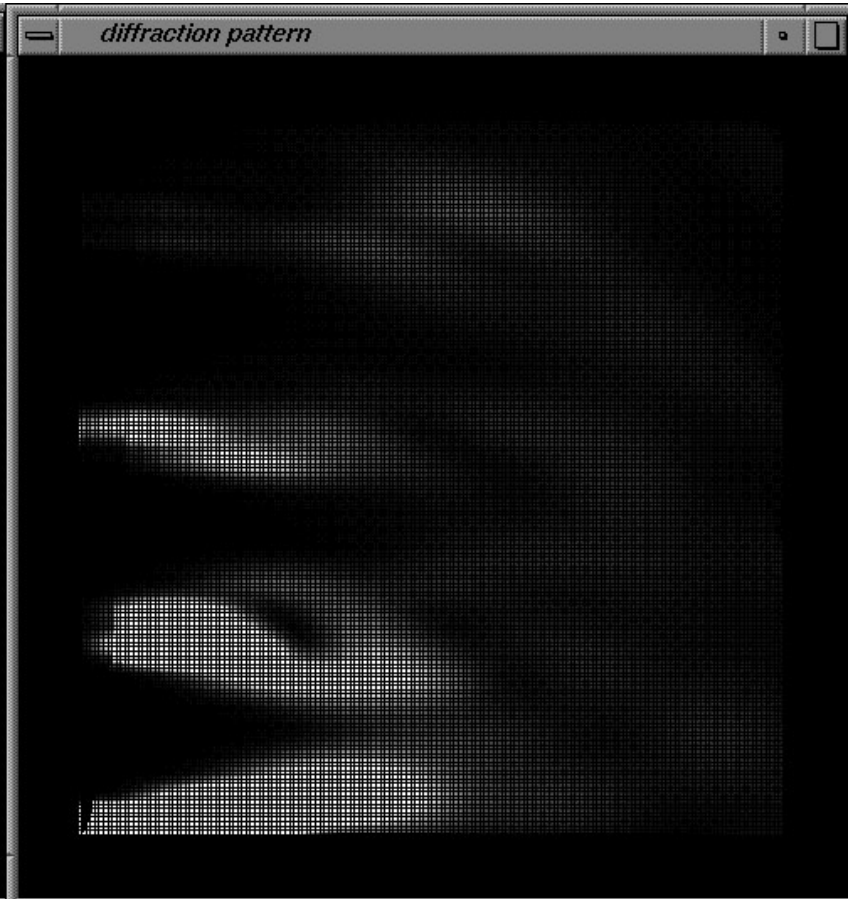
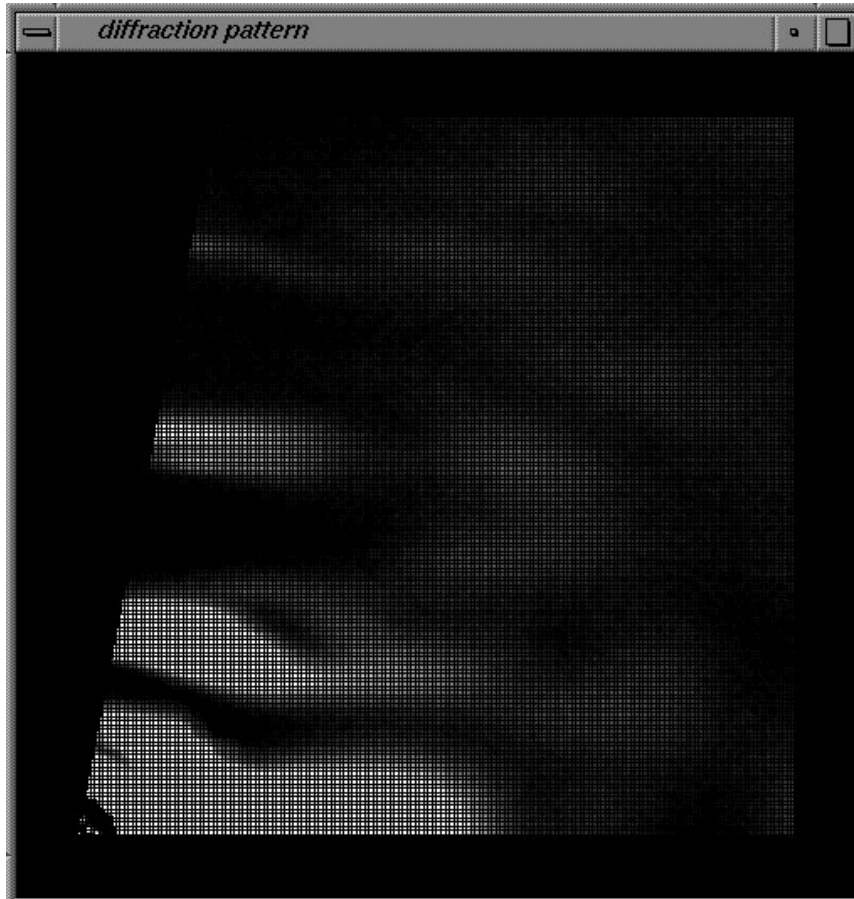


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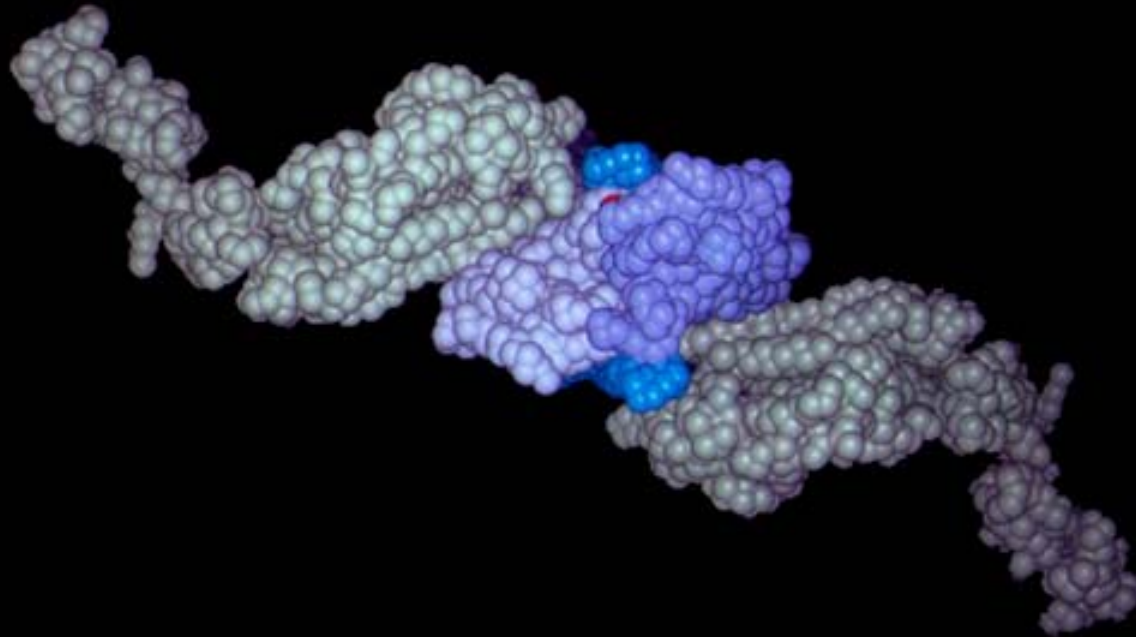




Piazzesi et al., *Nature* **415**, 659-662 (2002)



Localization of Tropomyosin



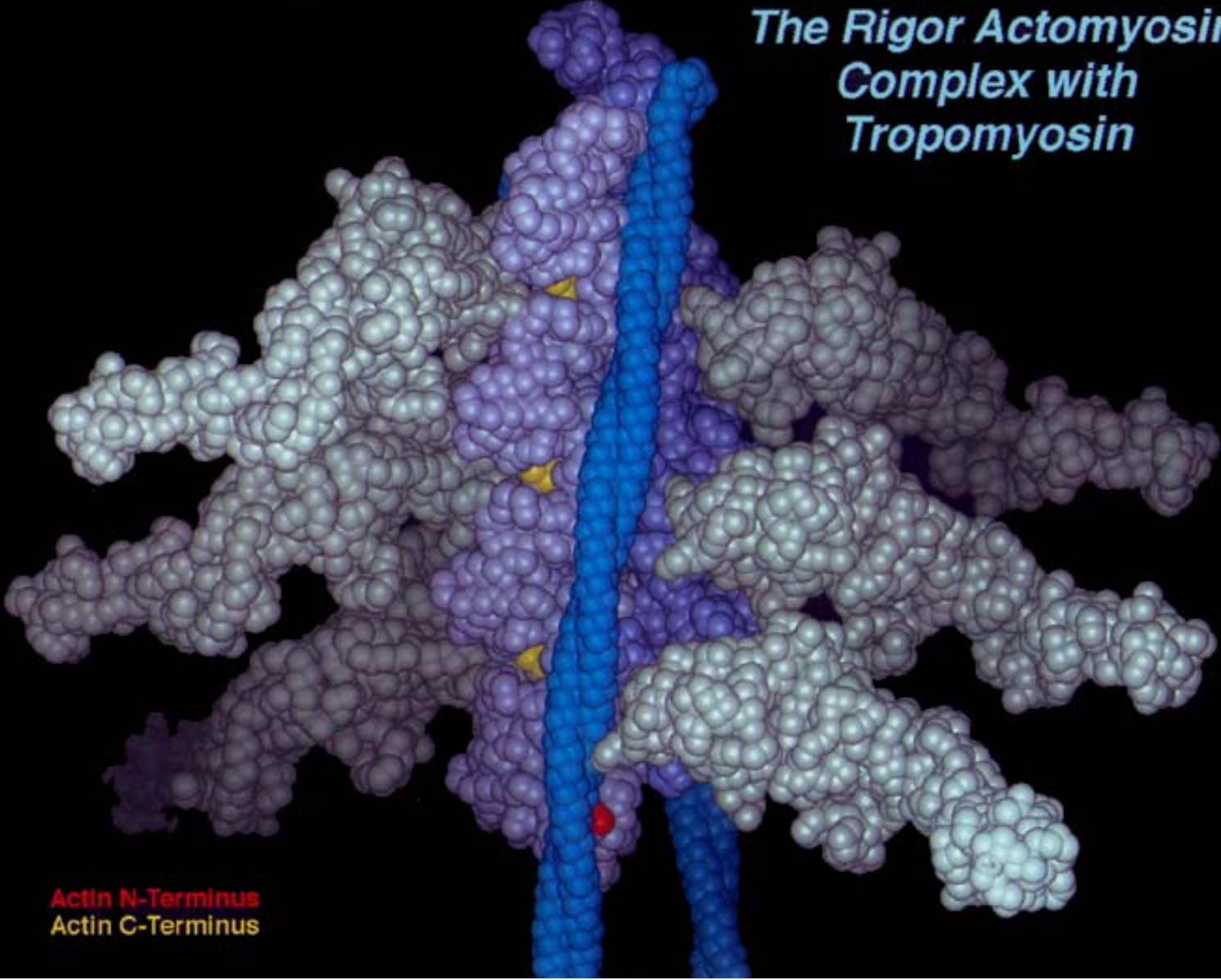
Actin-Tropomyosin-S1



Actin-S1

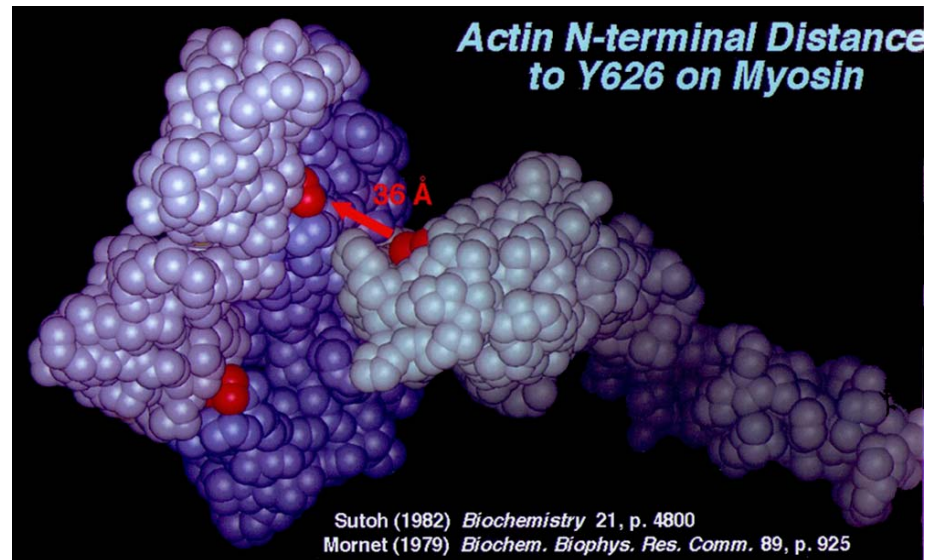
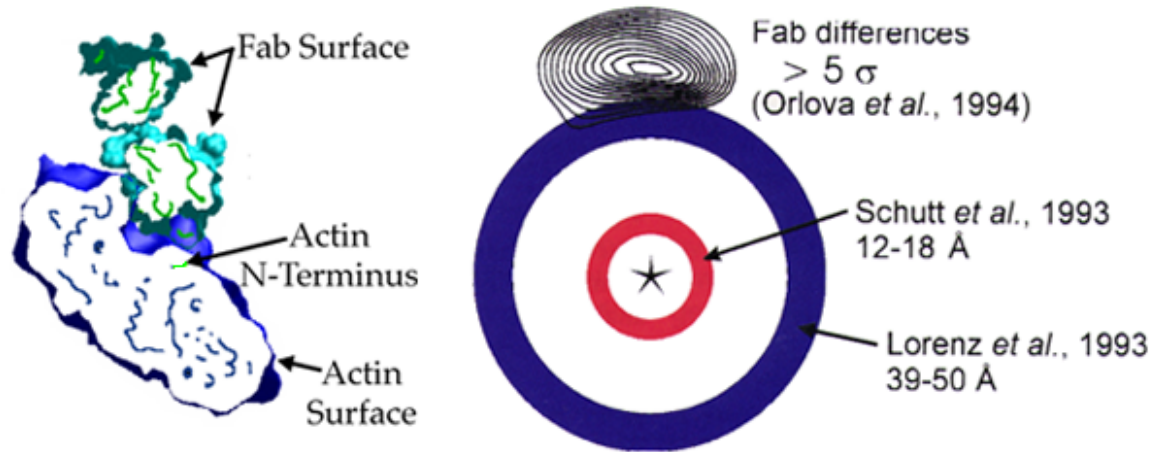


*The Rigor Actomyosin
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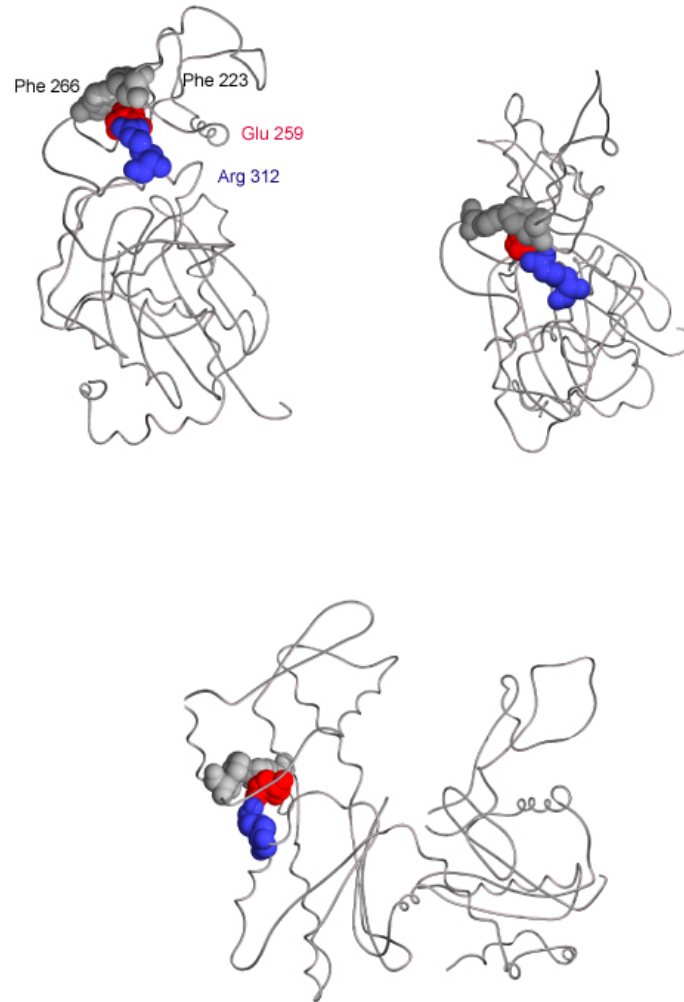


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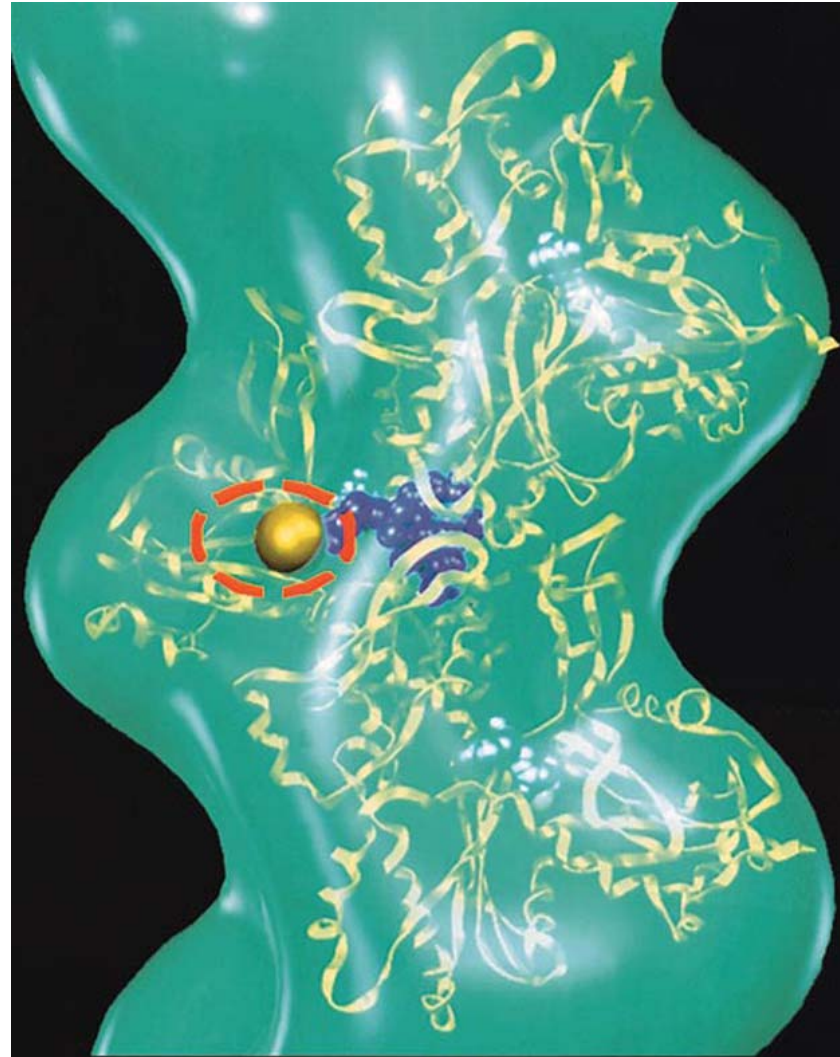
Location of the actin N-terminus in the ribbon-derived filament



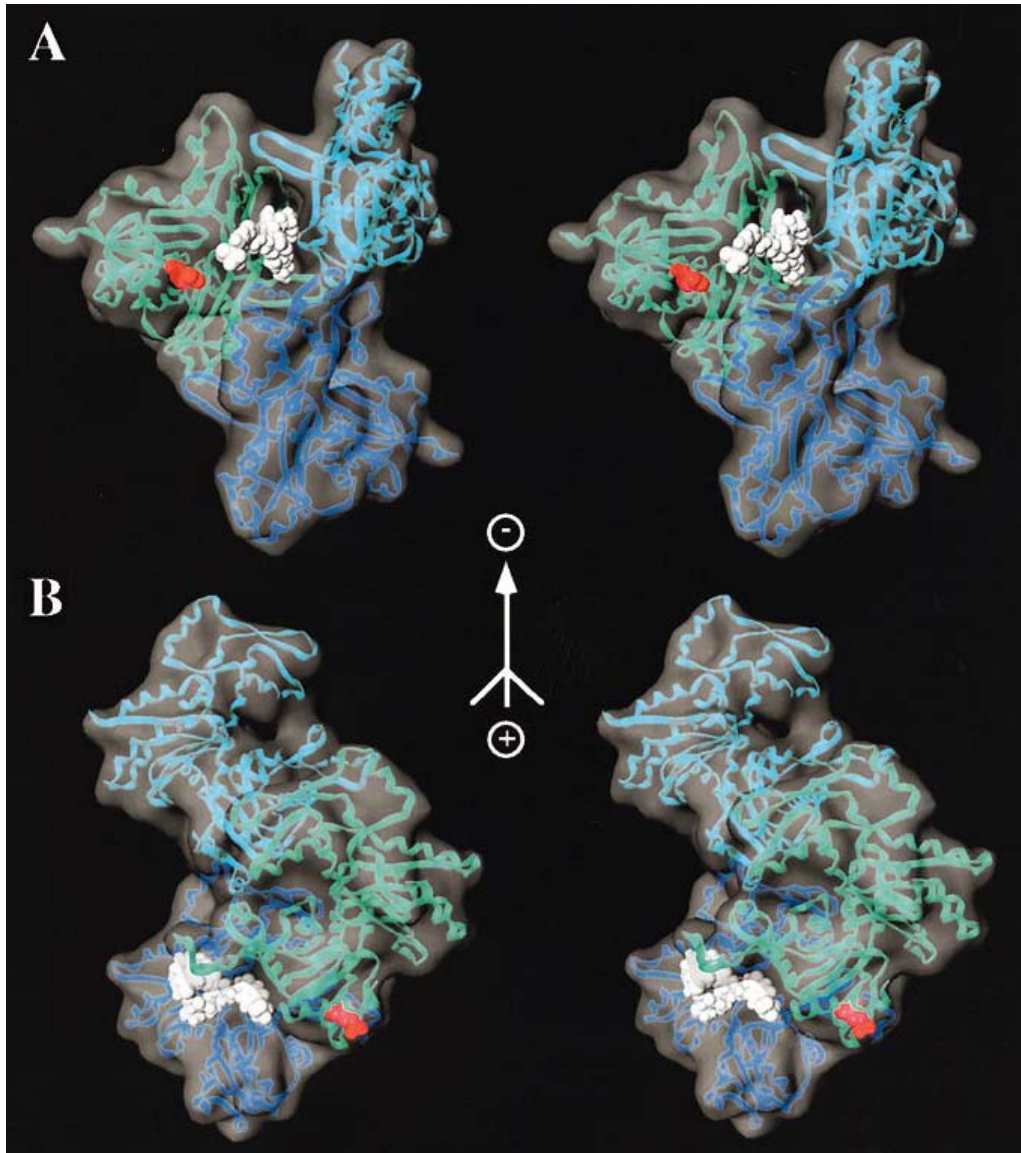
The “hydrophobic plug”



STEM of Undecagold-tagged Phalloidin on F-actin



Steinmetz *et al.*, *J. Mol. Biol.* **276**, 1-6 (1998)



Phalloidin is thought to bind at a three-way contact inside the filament...

Lorenz, Popp and Holmes
J. Mol. Biol. **234**, 826-836
(1993)

Steinmetz *et al.*,
J. Mol. Biol. **276**, 1-6 (1998)

In response: Schüler *et al.*,
Eur. J. Biochem. **267**, 4054-4062
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**...but this new model
for gelsolin severing
strongly suggests
that phalloidin is
on the surface of F-actin.**

