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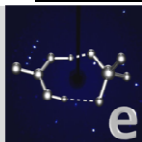
**Repository Curation Service Environments (RECURSE) Workshop
National e-Science Centre, Edinburgh**

**4th International Digital Curation Conference
"Radical Sharing: Transforming Science?"
1-3rd December 2008
Edinburgh, Scotland**

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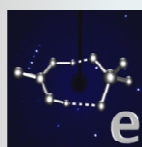


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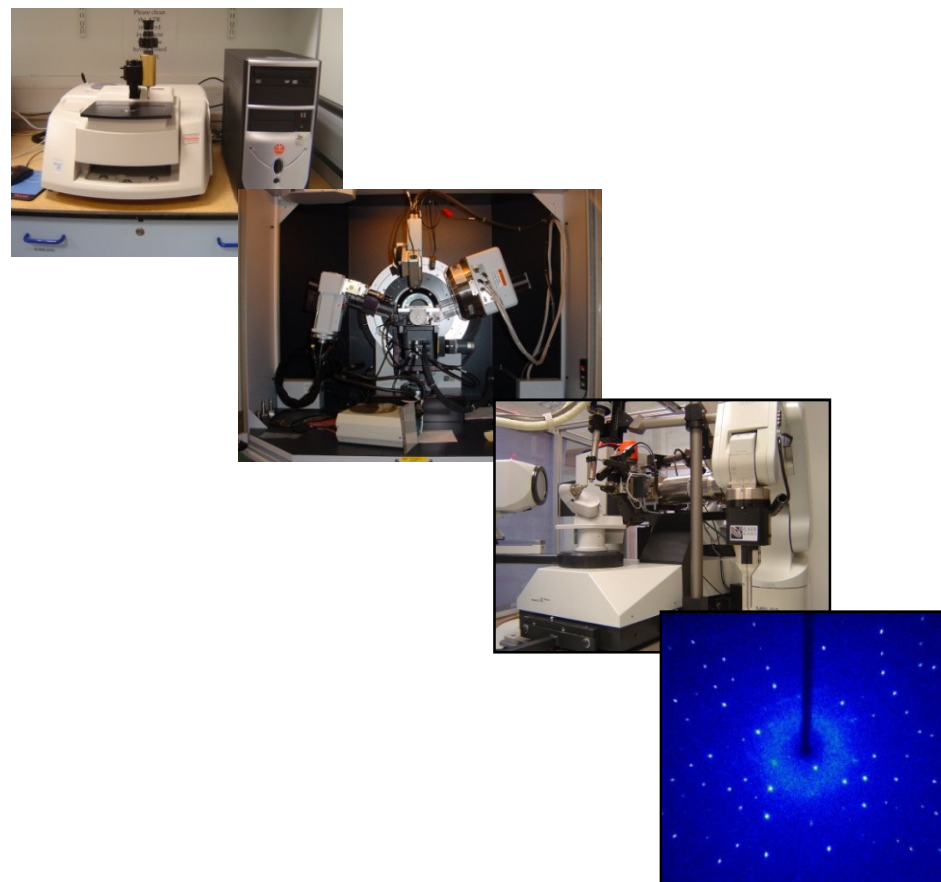
Context

- The data deluge
 - Advances in instrumentation, data storage technologies, computational power and improvements in algorithms
 - Development of grid and cyber infrastructures
- Actual nature of science is changing
 - Mining and analysis of large datasets (e.g. Protein Data Bank, GenBank)
 - Open Science (e.g. Open Notebook Science; myExperiment)
- High quality data are the raw materials of contemporary e-science
 - Verification; Validation; Replication
 - Predictive science
 - Innovative scientific endeavour
- S. Carlson, *Lost in a Sea of Science Data*, The Chronicle of Higher Education, June 2006
 - “To vet experiments, correct errors, or find new breakthroughs, scientists desperately need better ways to store and retrieve research data”
 - “Data from Big Science is ... easier to handle, understand and archive. Small Science is horribly heterogeneous and far more vast. In time Small Science will generate 2-3 times more data than Big Science.”

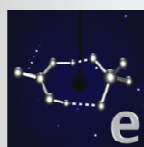


Crystallography –The Science

- Sub-discipline of chemistry
- Concerned with determining the structure of a molecule and its 3D orientation with respect to other molecules in a crystal
- Analysis of diffraction patterns obtained from X-ray scattering experiments
- Focus on laboratory based experimental technique of chemical crystallography undertaken at the EPSRC National Crystallography Service (NCS), UK



Images from Simon Coles (NCS), 2006

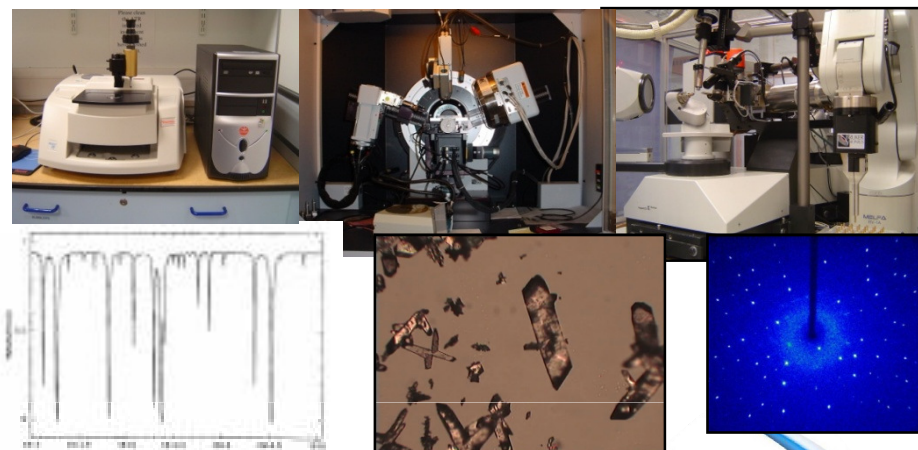


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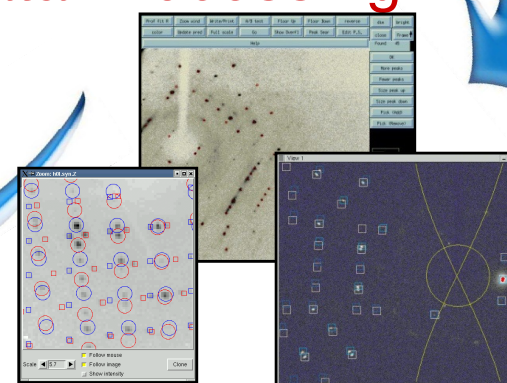
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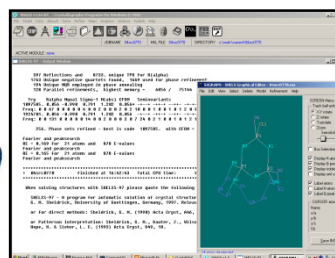
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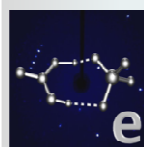
Data Processing



Data Workup



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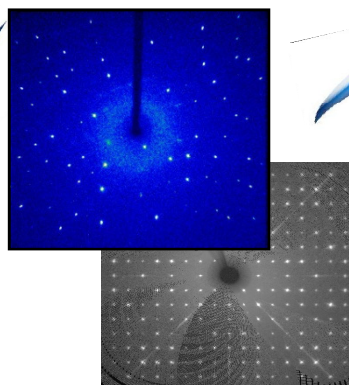
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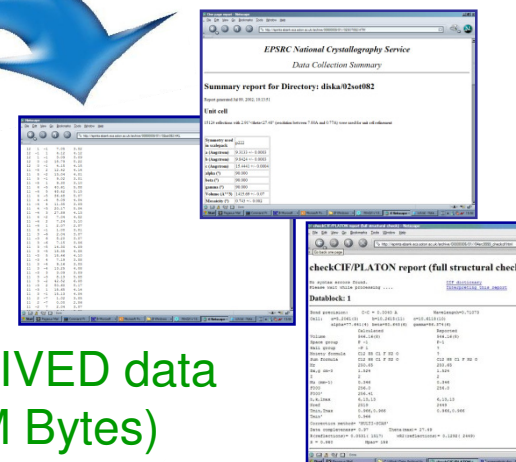
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DERIVED data
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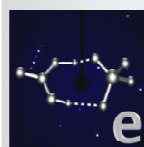
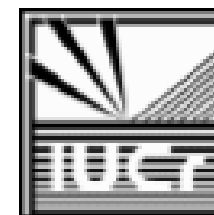
Laboratory; Institution

Subject Repository; Data Centre; Public Domain



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RESULTS data
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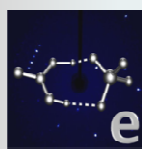
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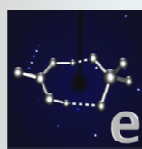
Community & Current Practice (1)

- Relatively organised approach to data (crystallography data are highly structured)
- Convention is to share derived or reduced data, access to raw data is rare
- Crystallography Information File (CIF) is a de facto exchange standard
 - Maintained by International Union of Crystallography (IUCr)
- Heterogeneity in instrumentation and associated software
- Established system for publishing crystallographic data in UK (Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre-CCDC)
- Other major databanks
 - Germany (inorganic molecule database)
 - Canada (metals database)
 - US (Protein Data Bank -PDB)



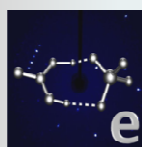
Community & Current Practice (2)

- Publishing datasets
 - Alongside journal articles through publisher mandates
 - Researchers often wish to retain exclusive use of their data
 - Lack of career rewards with respect to data creation and publishing
- Smaller projects at greatest risk
 - Sometimes CIF retained but raw data discarded
 - Data often stored on DVDs or laptops
 - Distributed, local storage -shortage of local curation expertise
 - Quality of metadata for datasets is variable
- Open access
 - eCrystals Federation Project
 - CrystalEye
 - ReciprocalNet (US, Australia, UK)
 - Crystallography Open Database (COD)
 - Chemistry Central (open access publisher)

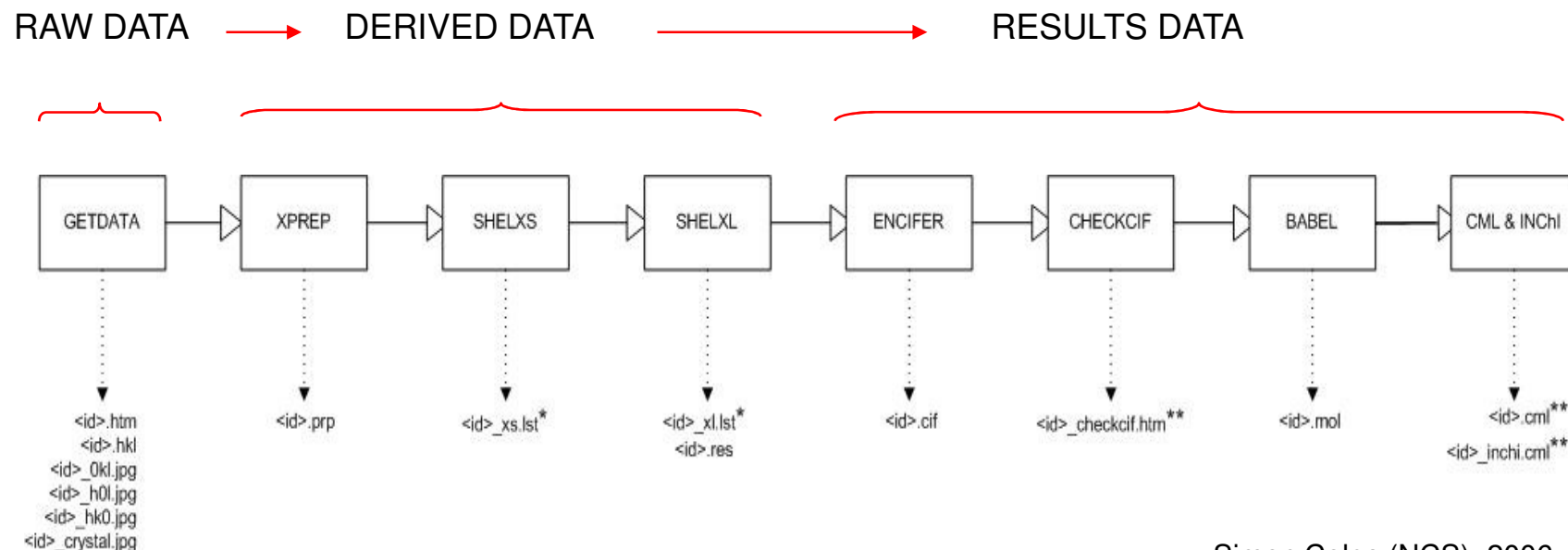


Building the eCrystals Repository

- Phenomenal growth in amount of data generated from experiments
 - 40 years ago a PhD student would determine 2-3 structures for a thesis; this can now be easily achieved in a single day
- Only a small proportion is widely and easily accessible
 - Estimated that < 50% of crystal structures are published [Allen 2004]
 - Current data publication process is a bottleneck
- eBank-UK Project
 - JISC funded; three phases Sept. 2003-June 2007
 - UKOLN (lead), University of Southampton, University of Manchester
- eCrystals data repository
 - Open access and rapid dissemination of derived and results data from crystallography experiments
 - Repository platform: ePrints.org software V3
 - Supported by learned society (IUCr) and subject repository (CCDC)
- Linking research data to publications and scholarly communication
- Metadata harvesting and aggregation (OAI-PMH)



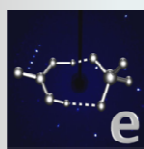
EPSRC NCS Crystal Structure Determination Workflow




Simon Coles (NCS), 2006

- Initialisation: mount new sample
- Collection: collect data
- Processing: process and correct images
- Solution: solve structures

- Refinement: refine structure
- CIF: produce Crystallographic Information File
- Validation: chemical & crystallographic checks
- Report: generate Crystal Structure Report
- CML, INChI



eCrystals Data Repository: Example Crystal Structure Report



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Crystal Structure Report Archive

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2,2-trimethylenedioxy-4,4,6,6-tetrachlorocyclotriphosphazene

Sample Originator: D.B. Davies^a, R.A. Shaw^a, A. Kilic^b, M. Odlyha^a and A. Uslu^b.

Data Collection: S.J. Coles^c, L.S. Huth^c and M.E. Light^c.

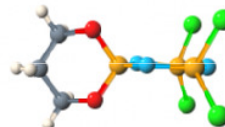
Structure Determination: S.J. Coles^c, J.S. Rutherford and M.B. Hursthouse.

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C3H6Cl4N3O2P3

InChI=1/C3H12Cl4N3O2P3/c4-13(5)8-14(6,7)10-15(9-13)11-2-1-3-12-15/h8-10,13-15H,1-3H2

Compound Class: Inorganic
Keywords: cyclophosphazene, phase transition, variable temperature
Creation Date: 28 March 2007
Deposited By: Dr Simon J Coles
Deposited On: 28 March 2007



Available Files

Final Result
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Validation
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Data collection parameters

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Crystal system	Orthorhombic
Space group symbol	Pna2(1)
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Cell length c	8.8479(7)
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Data collection temperature	274(2)

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Refinement results

Solution figure of merit	0.0569
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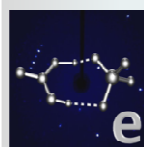
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Linking Data to Publications

eBank UK Demo

Crystal Structure Data Reports

[Crystal Structure Report of 2-\(N-Ferrocenylmethylcarbamoyl\)-5-\(N-phenylcarbamoyl\)-3,4-diphenylpyrrole](#)

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Date released: 23/05/2004

Empirical Formula: C₃₅H₂₉FeN₃O₂

IUPAC name: 2-(N-Ferrocenylmethylcarbamoyl)-5-(N-phenylcarbamoyl)-3,4-diphenyl pyrrole

CCDC code: XU25U

Compound Class: Organic

General keywords: Supramolecular Chemistry

Related article: [7A URL citation?](#)

Available Datafiles

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Publications

A supramolecular assembly: aquatris(pentafluorophenyl)borane as its mixed dimethyl sulfone and water solvate, (H₂O)₃[(C₆F₅)₃Me₂SO₂H₂O].

The title compound, C₁₈H₂BF₁₅O₂C₂H₆O₂, obtained by crystallization of a product formed from a reaction mixture containing B(C₆F₅)₃ and Me₂SO₂ (and H₂O) in hexane, was characterized in the solid state as a supramolecular assembly containing water adducts of tris(pentafluorophenyl)borane, (H₂O)₃[(C₆F₅)₃], linked together by a network of hydrogen bonds involving one additional H₂O and one additional Me₂SO₂ molecule per adduct molecule.

Creator(s): Coles, Simon J., Hursthouse, Michael B., Beckett, Michael A., Dutton, Michael

Acta Crystallogr. E Struct Rep Online Vol 59 Issue Pt 9 pp. o1354 - o1356

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Structural investigations of phosphorus-nitrogen compounds. 5. Relationships between molecular parameters of 2,2-diphenyl-4,6-cis-oxytetra(ethyleneoxy)-4,6-R₂-cyl-trisphosphazatrienes (R = Cl, OCH₂CF₃, OPh, OMe, NHPH, NHBu^t) and substituent basicity constants

The syntheses and crystal structures of six new cis-ansa derivatives N₃P₃H₂[O(CH₂CH₂O)₄]R₂ (R = Cl, OCH₂CF₃, OPh, OMe, NHPH, NHBu^t) are reported and the observed relationship between molecular parameters of the N₃P₃ ring and substituent basicity constants is discussed.

Creator(s): Besli, S., Coles, S. J., Hursthouse, M. B., Kilic, A., Mayer, T. A., Shaw, R. A.

Acta Crystallogr. B Vol 58 Pt 6 pp. 1067 - 1073

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5α-Cholestane

The title compound, C₂₇H₄₈, is a steroid derivative composed of a saturated-carbon fused-ring framework with two methyl substituents and an allyl side chain.

Creator(s): Coles, S. J., Hursthouse, M. B., Frampton, C. S.

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Ethyl (2S)-2-[(2R',2R'',5S',5S'')-2',5'-dimethyl-5'-oxopentylidene-2,2'-bifuranyl-5-yl]-2-hydroxyethanoate

The framework of K₂Zn(H₂P₂O₇)₂·2H₂O contains acid dihydrophosphate-metalate layers linked by KO interactions and weak hydrogen bonds. Zn²⁺ cations are coordinated octahedrally by O atoms from two bidentate [H₂P₂O₇]²⁻ anions and two water molecules.

Benzene 1,2dicarboxylic acid

Simon J Coles, Michael B Hursthouse, Claire L Taylor and Peter N Horton

University of Southampton

C₈H₆O₄

ICHI Code: INChI=1.12BetaC8H6O4c9-7(10)5-3-1-2-4-6(5)8(11)12n1-4H(1,9,10)(H,11,12) (google for ichi)

Compound Class: Organic

Keywords: Phthalic acid

Creation Date: 15 February 2005

Deposited By: Dr Simon J Coles

Deposited On: 21 February 2005

Data collection parameters

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Crystal morphology	Prism
Crystal system	monoclinic
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research papers

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Structural investigations of phosphorus-nitrogen compounds. 6. Relationships between molecular parameters in per-X-substituted bridged spermine derivatives and basicity constants ΣaR of substituents

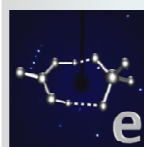
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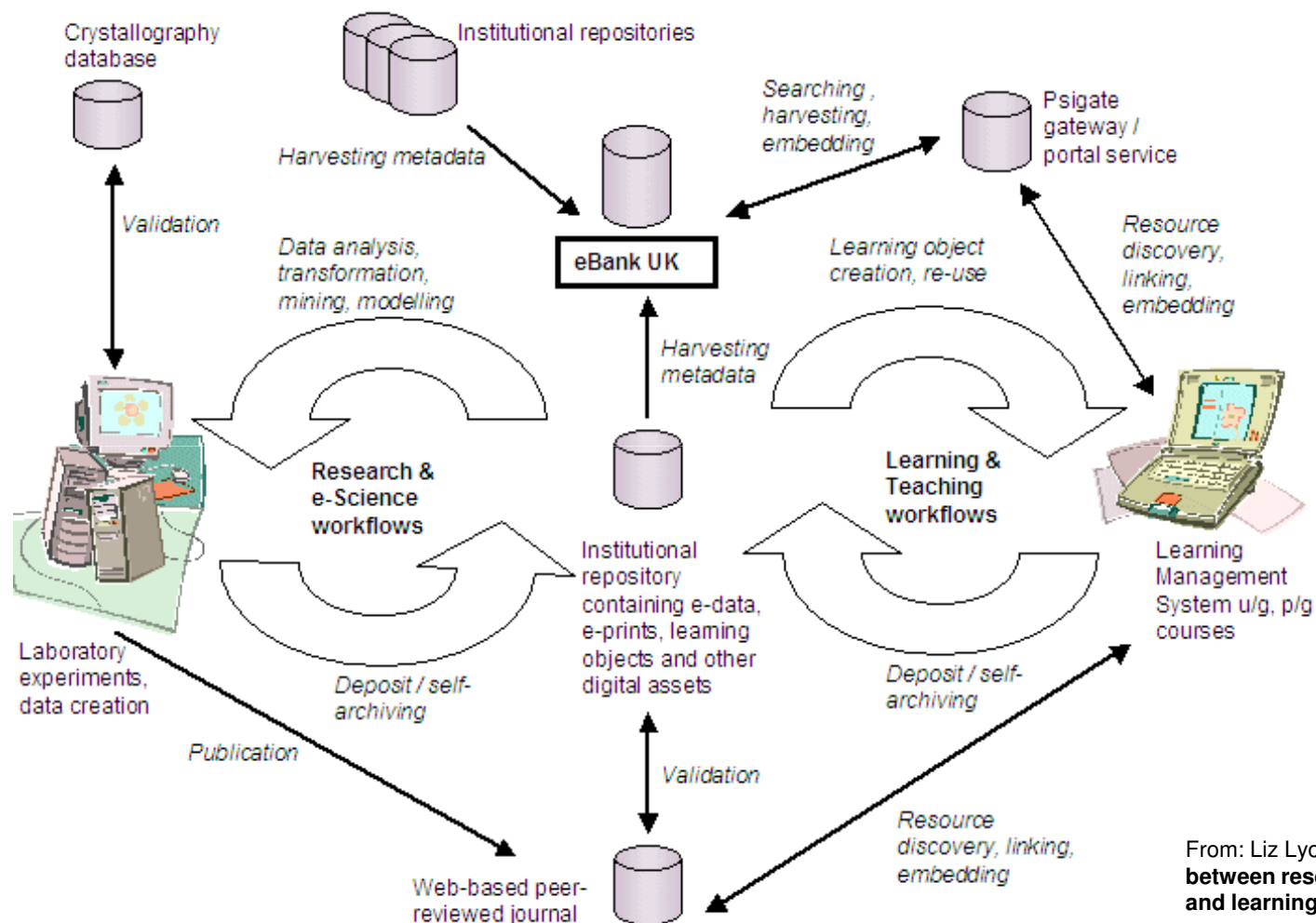
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A systematic study is reported of the products of the nucleophilic substitution reactions of the spermine-bridged cyclotriphosphazene, [N₃P₃(N(CH₂CH₂CH₂N)(CH₂)₂)₃], where X = Cl (2a), to give a number of new structures [(2b)-(2g)] in which X = OPh, [spiro-(CH₃)₃O]₃, Ph, NHPH, NC₆H₅ and NHBu^t, respectively. A comparison has been made between the sum of the substituent basicity constants, Σa_R, obtained in nitrobenzene solution, and ten molecular parameters of the N₃P₃ ring (the internal bond angles α, β, γ, δ and θ, and the P-N bond lengths a, b, c, d and e) as well as the difference between the bond lengths a and b, Δ(P-N). It is found that the systematic change in molecular parameters of compounds (2a)-(2g) is in line with changes in a_R values indicating the similarity in relative electron-releasing capacity of substituents X in the solid state and in solution. It is also found that the effect on molecular parameters of (2a)-(2g) with two X substituents in P₃X₂ groups is greater than that for one X substituent in P(O)X groups in an analogous series of compounds observed previously [Besli *et al.* (2002), *Acta Cryst. B* 58, 1067-1073].



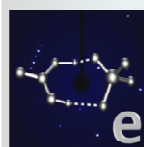
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Both research and learning are cyclical processes

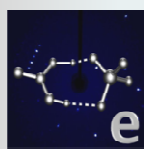
- Research outputs feed into and contribute to knowledge
- Research outputs are based on continuous use and reuse of data i.e. derivative in nature

From: Liz Lyon, **eBank UK: Building the links between research data, scholarly communication and learning**. ARIADNE, July 2003
<http://www.ariadne.ac.uk/issue36/lyon/intro.html>



Resource Discovery & Reuse

- Simple Dublin Core
 - Crystal structure
 - Title (Systematic IUPAC Name)
 - Authors
 - Affiliation
 - Creation Date
- Qualified Dublin Core (for additional chemical metadata)
 - Empirical formula
 - International Chemical Identifier (InChI)
 - Compound Class and Keywords
- Application Profile: <http://www.ukoln.ac.uk/projects/ebank-uk/schemas/>
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Scaling Up: Towards a Federation

Interviews, analysis & synthesis:

IR Policy & Practice, Laboratory Practice & Workflows, Technical Interoperability & Standards, Metadata Schema & Application Profiles, Semantic Interoperability, Data Citation, Identifiers & Linking, Federation Architectures & Third Party Services, Rights & Licensing, Data Quality & Validation, Preservation, Curation & Sustainability

Selected Issues (& Recommendations):

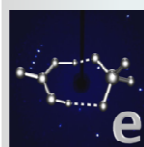
- Diverse laboratory practice
- Instrument manufacturers have proprietary formats
- Data policy needs to reflect laboratory practice
- Data quality criteria and validation (access to raw data)
- Repository must provide control over timing of public visibility-“prior publication” problem
- No disciplinary preservation model



Scaling Up: Towards a Federation of Crystallography Data Repositories

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Data Curation & Preservation

eBank-UK Phase 3: "A Study of Curation and Preservation issues in the eCrystals Data Repository and proposed Federation", Sept. 2007

- Development of preservation strategies and policies
- Audit and certification issues (TRAC, DRAMBORA, NESTOR, ISO International repository audit and certification BOF Group)
- OAIS and Representation Information for crystallography data
- eBank-UK Application Profile and preservation metadata
- e-Prints.org repository platform

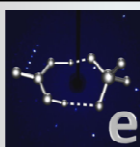
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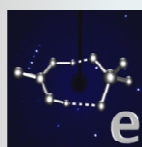


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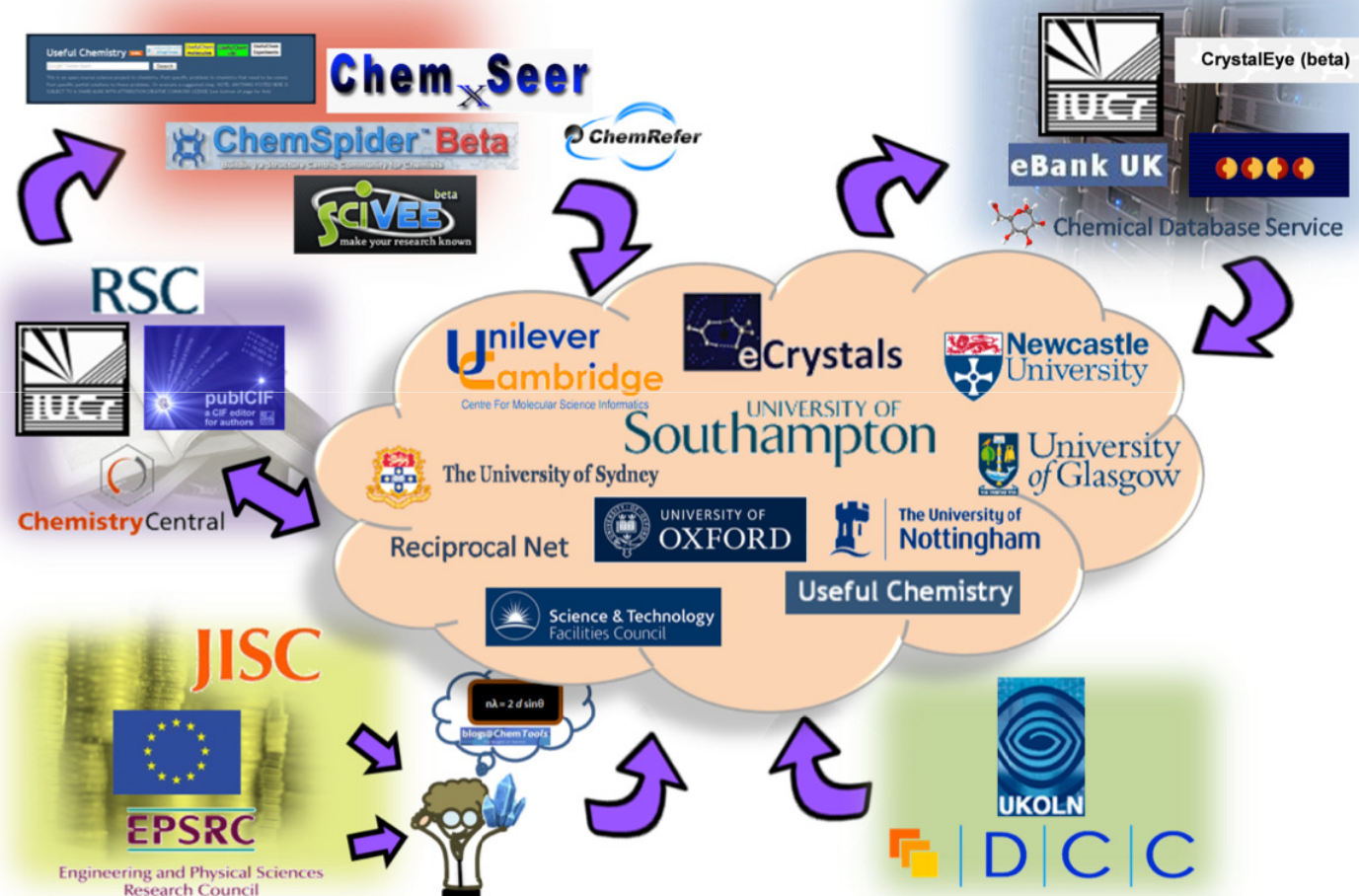
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Data Curation & Preservation: Recommendations

- Develop a preservation and curation strategy and formal policies to indicate levels of service (e.g. deposit, ingest, validation, dissemination)
- Promote community-supported sustainability plan
- Self-assessment using DRAMBORA toolkit
 - Implement regular audits e.g. annually
 - Produce documentary evidence of compliance
- Maintenance and open access of critical file formats and software
 - Crystallography Information File (CIF)
 - Work-up software e.g. XPREP; SHELX{S,L}; ENCIFER; checkCIF, BABEL
 - Advocate export of raw data from instrumentation as IMG CIF
- Capture relevant Representation Information
- Capture preservation metadata (e.g. versioning; provenance)
 - OAIS Preservation Description Information
 - PREMIS Data Dictionary
 - Extend or augment eBank Metadata Application Profile
- Obtain consensus on Metadata Application Profile
- Seek to automate metadata generation, extraction and maintenance

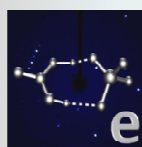


Building a Federation of Repositories



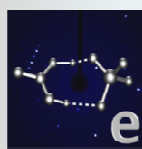
eCrystals Federation Project

- eCrystals Federation Project, Nov 2007 – Mar 2009
- Builds on eBank-UK Phase 3 results
- Led by the UK National Crystallography Service (University of Southampton) with core partners at UKOLN (University of Bath), the Digital Curation Centre and the Unilever Centre (University of Cambridge) – currently 14 supporting partners.
- Integrate and embed open data repository approach into current research practice by engaging data centres, librarians, researchers, publishers and third party information providers
- Harmonise Federation metadata application profile
- Investigate aggregation issues arising from harvesting metadata from Federation repositories
- Enable the Federation of institutional repositories to interoperate with international subject archives (IUCr and CCDC) and other third party harvesters
- Develop approaches to preservation and curation of scientific data in open repositories



Federation Interoperability

- Roll-out in 2 phases led by University of Southampton
 - Universities Sydney, Drexel, Birmingham, Newcastle with eprints.org platform
 - University Cambridge, STFC, ReciprocalNet, ARCHER with other platforms
 - Establish Federation policies, metadata application profile etc.
- Bi-directional links with derived articles in “publisher repositories”, IUCr, RSC, Chemistry Central
- StORe middleware -linking “source” and “output” repositories
- CLADDIER –linking data to publications
- OAI-ORE (Open Archives Initiative – Object Reuse and Exchange)
 - Enable distributed repositories to fully describe and exchange content
 - MicroSoft eChemistry Project

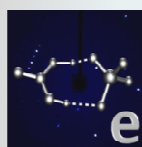


Some challenges

- Data management plans
- Dealing with diverse laboratory practice and workflows
- Appraisal and selection
- Data provenance, audit, tracking
- Citations and versions –persistent identifiers
- Granularity of citations: dataset or values within a dataset
- Instrumentation –proprietary formats
- Access to raw data files for mining and quality control purposes
- Preservation beyond “data” e.g. workflows, blogs, discourse
- Linking across disciplines and sectors
- Collaborative social networks; also “citizen science”
- Semantic integration –controlled vocabularies, ontology etc.

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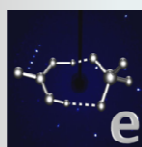
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