Supplement

Table 1

The frequency of amino acid residue appearance in the coordination sphere of the metal ions analysed. The analysis is accomplished on the set of non-redundant proteins.

	Ca	Ni	Mg	Fe	Mn	Cd	Zn	Cu	Со
Ala	82	2	18	0	2	1	3	1	0
Arg	26	1	19	0	1	1	2	1	0
Asn	321	2	80	4	15	6	10	1	0
Asp	1179	25	384	55	217	77	325	6	42
Cys	10	29	3	92	3	181	1532	82	18
Glu	483	17	192	113	97	85	236	7	38
Gln	69	2	26	0	4	3	7	5	2
Gly	242	4	26	1	2	2	4	2	0
His	45	96	163	694	143	87	1073	261	60
lle	62	0	16	3	2	0	2	0	2
Leu	51	0	17	1	0	2	1	0	0
Lys	58	0	11	5	3	4	9	2	0
Met	20	1	8	60	2	2	7	33	1
Phe	42	0	5	0	2	2	1	0	0
Pro	23	0	5	0	0	2	0	0	0
Ser	114	4	90	1	9	6	8	1	4
Thr	121	0	112	0	7	2	9	1	2
Trp	14	0	4	0	0	0	6	0	0
Tyr	65	1	15	44	3	1	3	0	1
Val	61	1	21	0	0	1	0	0	0
H_2O	1489	90	3861	187	330	341	536	38	75
† Rel									

Table 2

The absolute number of the observed coordination numbers for each of the analysed metal ion.

	Ca	Ni	Mg	Fe	Mn	Cd	Zn	Cu	Со
0	35	2	175	4	3	11	41	6	14
1	18	5	43	1	4	17	39	0	8
2	23	11	62	4	5	29	71	9	3
3	46	10	95	8	12	44	96	47	3
4	66	20	430	25	18	84	615	62	9

5	86	15	630	123	33	28	143	7	30
6	230	19	612	356	118	36	82	0	34
7	334	3	18	27	7	8	9	0	2
8	96	0	4	5	0	2	1	0	0
9	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table 3

The total number of quartets (for CN 4 and higher) of amino acid residues (amino acid residues are labelled by normal single-letter codes) found in the coordination sphere of the metal ions with the CN four and higher. The analysis is accomplished on the non-redundant set of proteins; number of structures with a metal ion at the symmetry element is given in parenthesis.

	Ca	Ni	Mg	Fe	Mn	Cd	Zn	Cu	Со
C, C, C, C	0	4	0	9	0	40	195 (4)	0	0
H, H, H, H	0	0	0	5	1	1	0	7	0
D, D, D, D	24	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 (E/D)	59 (1)	0	3	2	1	2	0	0	3
C, C, C, H	0	0	0	0	0	0	145 (1)	0	0
C, C, H, H	0	0	0	0	0	0	64	0	5
C, H, H, H	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0

Table 4

Atom types by which amino acid residues participate in metal ions coordination. The analysis is accomplished on the set of non-redundant proteins. Hydroxyl stands for the water oxygen and for the Thr, Ser and Tyr side-chain oxygen atoms.

CA O CARBOXYL N IMIDAZOLE S CYSTEINE S METHIONINE O HYDROXYL O (ASN/GLN) O BACKBONE	1 4 1 0 0 12 0 1	9 1 0 0 21 3 8	3 35 0 0 0 55 3 35	4 56 4 0 0 96 11 60	5 99 3 0 0 136 24 119	6 394 3 0 0 386 62 375	7 681 2 0 0 595 132 519	8 162 1 0 0 225 50 112	9 4 0 0 9 1 2	10 0 0 0 0 0 0	11 0 0 0 0 0 0
NI O CARBOXYL N IMIDAZOLE S CYSTEINE S METHIONINE O HYDROXYL O (ASN/GLN) O BACKBONE	1 1 3 0 0 1 0	2 1 14 0 0 6 0	3 8 7 4 0 1 0	4 11 18 3 0 27 0	5 5 17 10 0 26 1	6 12 30 6 0 25 3	7 4 3 4 0 6 0	8 0 0 0 0 0 0	9 0 0 0 0 0	10 0 0 0 0 0 0	11 0 0 0 0 0 0
MG O CARBOXYL N IMIDAZOLE S CYSTEINE S METHIONINE O HYDROXYL O (ASN/GLN) O BACKBONE	1 8 3 1 0 13 1 4	2 16 3 0 0 45 0 12	3 43 9 0 0 133 3 23	4 67 3 0 0 284 6 24	5 68 121 0 2 1082 22 46	6 309 13 0 0 2377 46 124	7 19 0 0 0 52 3 3	8 6 0 0 7 1 2	9 0 0 0 0 0	10 0 0 0 0 0 0	11 0 0 0 0 0 0
FE O CARBOXYL N IMIDAZOLE S CYSTEINE S METHIONINE O HYDROXYL O (ASN/GLN) O BACKBONE	1 0 0 1 0 0 0	2 3 0 2 0 0 0	3 8 6 4 0 2 1 0	4 12 18 44 0 8 0 3	5 45 129 14 1 61 0 3	6 80 515 24 59 141 0 18	7 20 21 3 0 13 1	8 0 1 0 0 1 0 0	9 0 0 0 0 2 0	10 0 0 0 0 0 0	11 0 0 0 0 0 0
MN O CARBOXYL N IMIDAZOLE S CYSTEINE S METHIONINE O HYDROXYL O (ASN/GLN) O BACKBONE	1 0 0 0 0 3 0	2 3 2 0 0 5 0	3 10 5 0 0 10 1 2	4 29 13 1 0 15 1	5 54 36 2 0 39 3	6 204 80 0 1 263 12 15	7 14 6 0 9 1	8 0 0 0 0 0 0	9 0 0 0 0 0	10 0 0 0 0 0 0	11 0 0 0 0 0 0

CD O CARBOXYL N IMIDAZOLE S CYSTEINE S METHIONINE O HYDROXYL O (ASN/GLN) O BACKBONE	1 2 7 1 0 5 0 2	2 17 5 1 0 17 0 1	3 29 13 1 0 58 1 3	4 35 16 163 1 75 1	5 21 13 6 0 61 0 5	6 30 23 2 0 98 3 7	7 18 3 0 0 13 2 8	8 4 0 0 0 9 0 1	9 0 0 0 0 0	10 0 0 0 0 0 0	11 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
ZN O CARBOXYL N IMIDAZOLE S CYSTEINE S METHIONINE O HYDROXYL O (ASN/GLN) O BACKBONE	1 14 18 0 0 5 0	2 35 32 7 0 42 0 1	3 72 70 25 0 70 0 2	4 158 562 1443 0 167 7 10	5 166 226 34 0 120 6 18	6 92 134 0 0 126 2 8	7 12 11 0 0 12 1 3	8 0 3 0 0 1 0 0	9 0 0 0 0 0	10 0 0 0 0 0 0	11 0 0 0 0 0 0
CU O CARBOXYL N IMIDAZOLE S CYSTEINE S METHIONINE O HYDROXYL O (ASN/GLN) O BACKBONE	1 0 0 0 0 0 0	2 1 9 5 0 0 0	3 3 90 32 0 8 1 3	4 0 142 43 32 12 4 7	5 2 19 1 1 4 0	6 0 0 0 0 0 0	7 0 0 0 0 0 0	8 0 0 0 0 0 0	9 0 0 0 0 0	10 0 0 0 0 0 0	11 0 0 0 0 0 0
CO O CARBOXYL N IMIDAZOLE S CYSTEINE S METHIONINE O HYDROXYL O (ASN/GLN) O BACKBONE	1 1 0 0 0 7 0	2 0 2 0 0 4 0	3 2 2 0 0 2 0 1	4 4 16 10 0 2 0 1	5 27 20 4 0 21 1	6 36 13 1 0 34 0	7 3 1 1 0 1 0 0	8 0 0 0 0 0 0	9 0 0 0 0 0	10 0 0 0 0 0 0	11 0 0 0 0 0 0

Table 5

Distribution of mean distances (metal - electron donor) as a function of coordination number. The analysis is accomplished on the set of structure from PDB (October 2007) with resolution $\leq 1.5~\textrm{Å}.$ Hydroxyl stands for the water oxygen and for the Thr and Ser side-chain oxygen atoms.

CN4 Mean distance

	CA	NI	MG	FE	MN	CD	ZN	CU	CO
O CARBOXYL N IMIDAZOLE S CYSTEINE S METHIONINE O HYDROXYL O Tyr side-chain	2.47 2.43 	2.03 2.26 2.35	2.22 2.27 2.21 2.79	2.33 2.13 2.3 2.31	2.13 2.21 2.08	2.24 2.24 2.52 2.83 2.35	2.03 2.07 2.33 2.16 2.06	2.22 2.05 2.2 2.63 2.2	2.02 2.19 2.11
O (ASN/GLN) O BACKBONE	2.25 2.49	2.05	2.8 2.38	2.63	2.16	2.41	2.58 2.46	2.23 2.68	
					SD				
	CA	NI	MG	FE	MN	CD	ZN	CU	CO
O CARBOXYL N IMIDAZOLE S CYSTEINE S METHIONINE O HYDROXYL O Tyr side-chain O (ASN/GLN) O BACKBONE	0.17 0.2 0.11 0.23	0.19 0.13 0.26 	0.28 0 0.29 0.27	0.28 0.08 0.04 0.34 	0.07 0.29 	0.16 0.25 0.05 0.02 0.29 0.24	0.20 0.13 0.06 0.27 0.29 0.32	0.1 0.05 0.19 0.13 0.13 0.19	0.08 0.02 0.29
				Numbe	er of ob	servations			
	CA	NI	MG	FE	MN	CD	ZN	CU	CO
O CARBOXYL N IMIDAZOLE S CYSTEINE	15 0 0	0 20 41	22 1 0 0	3 15 128	1 4 0	5 25 35	54 265 269 0	1 102 45 29	0 10 4
S METHIONINE O HYDROXYL O Tyr side-	0 85	0 8	156	0 5	0 21	8 80	155	11	0 10
	_		_						
O HYDROXYL O Tyr side- chain O (ASN/GLN)	85 0 3	8 0 0	156 1 1	5 0 0 1	21 0 1	80 0 0 9	155 1 2	11 0 4	10 0 0
O HYDROXYL O Tyr side- chain O (ASN/GLN) O BACKBONE	85 0 3	8 0 0	156 1 1	5 0 0 1	21 0 1 0	80 0 0 9	155 1 2	11 0 4	10 0 0

O HYDROXYL O Tyr side-chain	2.43	1.86	2.16	2.17 1.99	2.17	2.39	2.2	2.08	2.17
O (ASN/GLN) O BACKBONE	2.44 2.4	2.7	2.28 2.3	 2.16	 2.27	2.37	2.41 2.09	2.07	2.26
					SD				
	CA	NI	MG	FE	MN	CD	ZN	CU	CO
O CARBOXYL N IMIDAZOLE S CYSTEINE S METHIONINE O HYDROXYL O Tyr side-chain O (ASN/GLN) O BACKBONE	0.14 0.18 0.25 0.19	0.1 0.06 0.39 0.15	0.21 0 0.21 0.19 0.14	0.20 0.12 0.14 0.22 0.06 0.02	0.09 0.06 0.27 0.08	0.12 0.09 0.21 0.11	0.20 0.12 0.19 0.29 0.45 0.13	0.01 0.11 0.42 0.09	0.20 (0.11) ^a 0.13 0.09 0.21
				Numbe	er of ob	servations			
	CA	NI	MG	FE	MN	CD	ZN	CU	CO
O CARBOXYL N IMIDAZOLE S CYSTEINE S METHIONINE O HYDROXYL O Tyr side-chain O (ASN/GLN) O BACKBONE	36 0 0 0 200 0 5 70	1 6 34 0 11 0 0 7	42 1 0 0 292 0 7 31	17 122 7 0 16 9 0 4	42 82 0 0 50 0 4	2 18 2 0 92 0 0	57 292 4 0 145 0 3 12	2 33 0 0 23 0 0 4	10 16 3 0 12 0 1
CN6				М	ean dis	stance			
	CA	NI	MG	FE	MN	CD	ZN	CU	CO
O CARBOXYL N IMIDAZOLE S CYSTEINE S METHIONINE O HYDROXYL O Tyr side-chain O (ASN/GLN) O BACKBONE	2.35 2.33 2.4 2.33 2.31	2.07 2.08 2.37 2.24 2.31	2.10 2.17 0 2.12 2.19 2.21	2.10 2.06 2.34 2.31 2.18 2.01 2.45 2.77	2.14 2.22 2.59 2.21 2.12	2.35 2.29 2.4 2.37 2.21 2.41	2.14 2.08 2.15 2.27 2.24	2.04 2.15 2.19 2.43	2.24 2.06 2.39 2.09 2.02
	CA	NI	MG	FE	MN	CD	ZN	CU	CO

O CARBOXYL	0.11	0.15	0.15	0.08	0.13		0.10	0.16		0.13
N IMIDAZOLE	0.03	0.06	0.04	0.09	0.13		0.07	0.08	0.06	0.07
S CYSTEINE		0.14		0.08						
S METHIONINE				0.07						0.01
O HYDROXYL	0.16	0.19	0.15	0.16	0.15		0.19	0.16	0.16	0.16
O Tyr side-chain				0.09						
O (ASN/GLN)	0.1	0.02	0.13	0.41			0.02	0.05		
O BACKBONE	0.12		0.17	0.33	0.06		0.15	0.19		
				Numbe	er of ob	serv	ations/			

	CA	NI	MG	FE	MN	CD	ZN	CU	CO	
O CARBOXYL	405	11	207	44	67	22	43	0		6
N IMIDAZOLE	5	25	29	465	42	72	112	18		11
S CYSTEINE	0	6	0	19	1	1	0	0		0
S METHIONINE	0	0	0	47	0	0	0	0		2
O HYDROXYL	592	69	1775	152	135	211	90	18	;	32
O Tyr side-chain	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		1
O (ASN/GLN)	51	4	20	2	0	8	2	1		0
O BACKBONE	473	0	88	27	29	16	13	1		0

	CA	NI	MG	FE	MN	CD	ZN	CU	CO
O CARBOXYL	2.44			2.14					
N IMIDAZOLE	2.53	2.04		2.1	2.32	2.35	2.1	2.07	2.09
S CYSTEINE				2.34					
S METHIONINE									
O HYDROXYL ^b	2.41	2.05	2.21	2.18	2.3	2.22	2.41		
O (ASN/GLN)	2.36		2.09		2.17				
O BACKBONE	2.37		2.37	2.81	2.09	2.58	2.19	2.05	

SD

	CA	NI	MG	FE	MN	CD	ZN	CU	CO	
O CARBOXYL	0.09			0.03						
N IMIDAZOLE	0.02			0.07	0.19	0.07	0.09	0.01		-
S CYSTEINE				0.04						
S METHIONINE										
O HYDROXYL	0.14	0.1	0.28	0.25	0.12	0.24	0.17			
O (ASN/GLN)	0.09		0.02		0.01					
O BACKBONE	0.08		0.14	0.1	0.21	0.29	0.1			

Number of observations

	CA	NI	MG	FE	MN	CD		ZN	CU	CO
O CARBOXYL	5	0	0	4	0		0	0	0	0
N IMIDAZOLE	2	1	0	37	7		3	9	2	1
S CYSTEINE	0	0	0	4	0		0	0	0	0
S METHIONINE	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0
O HYDROXYL	637	3	39	10	6		8	8	0	0
O (ASN/GLN)	119	0	2	0	2		0	0	0	0
O BACKBONE	416	0	3	25	9		4	4	1	0

^aHere we replaced the Asp168 rotamer in 1R6X by one that brings the functional group closer to the metal ion.
^bFor CN 7, we did not find metal coordinated with the side-chain Tyr.