

# The DRI Project and forthcoming activities to support metadata-rich depositions

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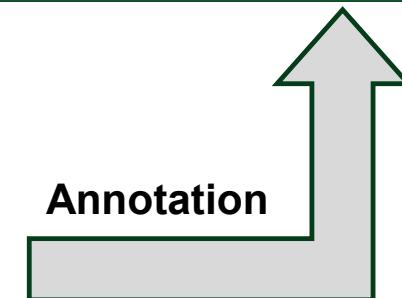
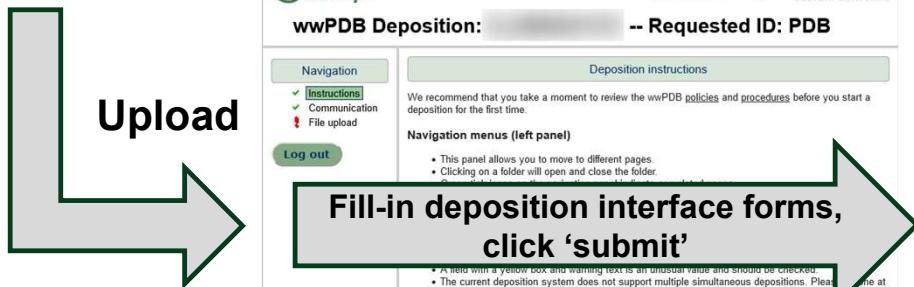


# Submitting data to the PDB... is hard work

Model file =  
Coordinates (mandatory)  
+  
Metadata (optional)

Experimental data file =  
Experimental data (mandatory)  
+  
Metadata (tiny bit)

Experimental data file  
+  
Annotated model file =  
Coordinates  
+  
Metadata (“full”)

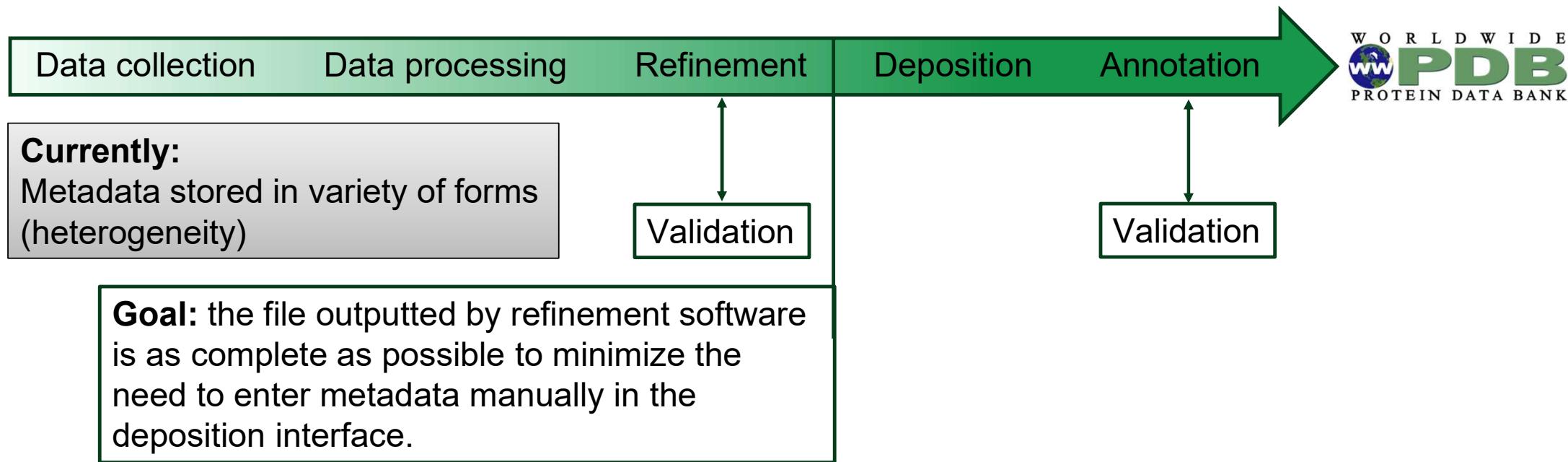


The richer in metadata in the uploaded file(s), the less forms to fill-in the deposition interface.

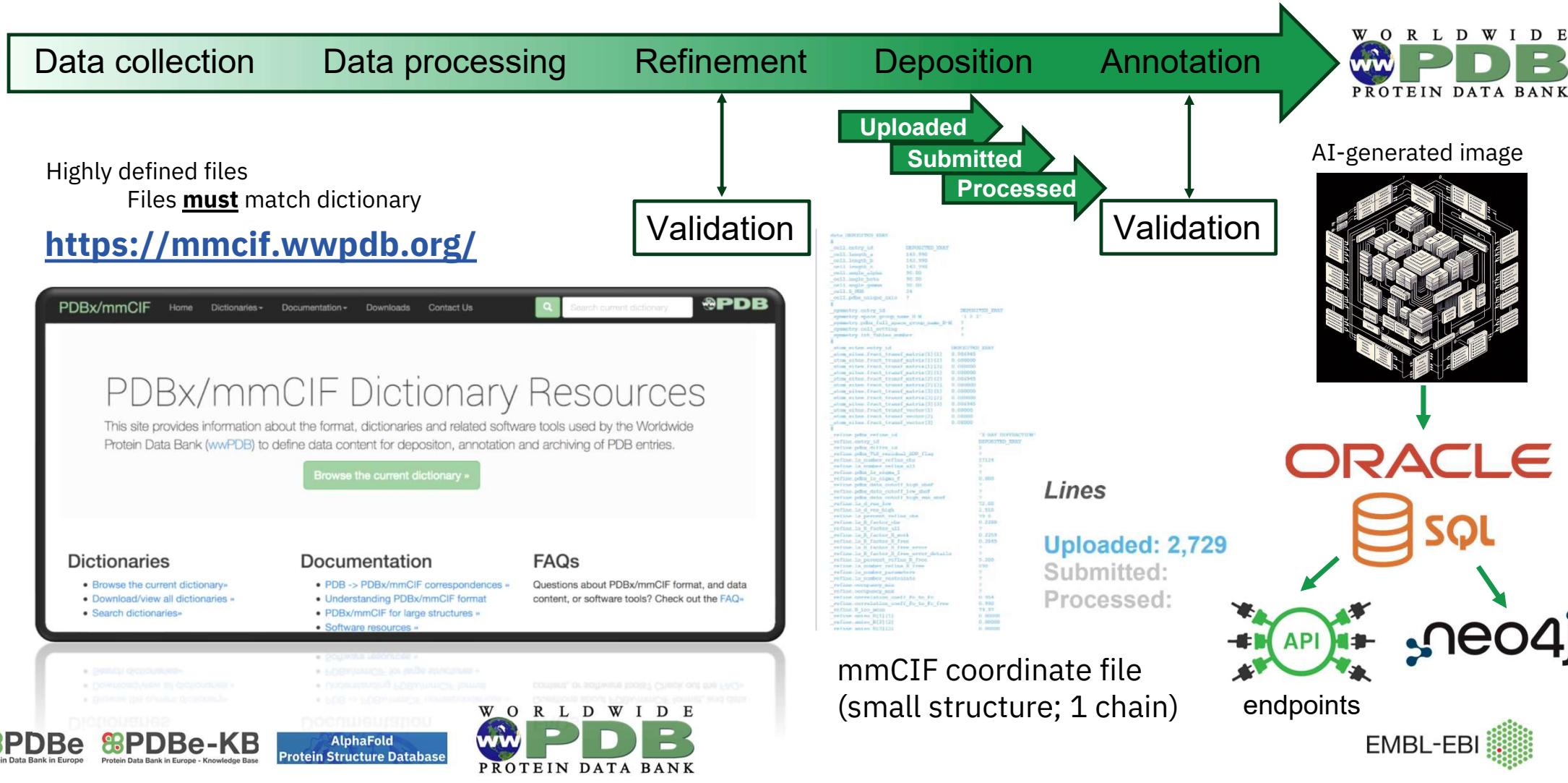
# The road to retain metadata

**Each step must**

- generate its own metadata
- retain the previous step's metadata



# Metadata → Database



## Data collection      Data processing      Refinement      Deposition      Annotation

### DRI Project

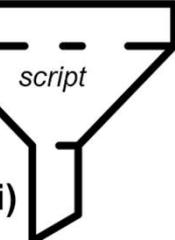
ISPyB/SynchWeb



 **diamond**  
Diamond Light Source



 **mmCIF-gen**  
(using gemmi)



<https://pypi.org/project/mmcif-gen/>

 metadata  
mmCIF file



- Experimental method (X-ray, NMR, EM, EC...)
- Data collection date
- Wavelength
- Synchrotron name
- Beamline name
- Detector type
- Detector name
- Serial crystallography experiment Y/N



- Temperature (not yet in SynchWeb / DLS ISPyB)
- Multiple datasets
- Oscillation angle per image
- Total oscillation angle
- Beam transmission

  
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embedded  
in mtz file

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## MTZ appendix - status (Global Phasing Ltd)

- ❑ The idea is to **append** (additional) **metadata** in some standard format to the end of an MTZ file:
  - This way metadata travel together with the most popular format for reflection data (MTZ), avoiding risks of de-synchronisation and loss of information along the path from experiment to deposition.
  - That appendix does not impact on existing MTZ-reading programs as far as we know (tested: CCP4, Phenix, GPhL, Gemmi and other programs/packages using the CCP4 library)
- ❑ Things to consider:
  - How to append?
  - Define start and end of appendix.
  - Define content of appendix.
  - Associate metadata with rest of MTZ file (i.e. reflection data and existing MTZ header).
  - How to extract?

Data collection

Data processing

Refinement

Deposition

Annotation



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**Table 3**  
Data collection and processing

Values given in parentheses are for the highest resolution shell.

Diffraction source

Wavelength (Å)

Temperature (K)

Detector

Crystal to detector distance (mm)

Total rotation range (°)

Exposure time per degree (s) or rotation per image (°)

Exposure time per image (s)

Space group

$a, b, c$  (Å)

$\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  (°)

Mosaicity (°)

Resolution range (Å)

Total no. of reflections

No. of unique reflections

Completeness (%)

Redundancy

$\langle I/\sigma(I) \rangle$  from merged data

$CC_{1/2}$

$R_{\text{free}}$  or  $R_{\text{meas}}$

Overall  $B$  factor from Wilson plot ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

### Example appendices extraction:

gemmi mtz -A truncate-unique.mtz

```
#MTZAPPENDIX-START\n
#MTZAPPENDIX-ITEM CIF DatasetID=1\n
...
#MTZAPPENDIX-END\n
```

autoPROC tool:  
aP\_mtz\_appendix -h

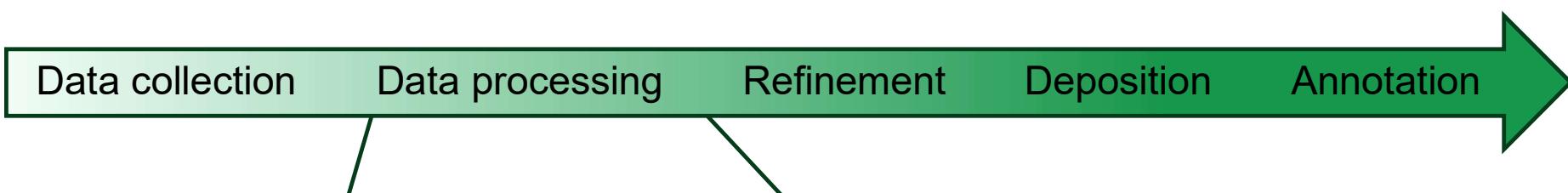


[https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1L0FhSWeqqp50LBtNJBK7LOmEP0Vz4YnR?  
usp=sharing](https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1L0FhSWeqqp50LBtNJBK7LOmEP0Vz4YnR?usp=sharing)



[https://github.com/glevans/PDB\\_Notebooks  
/tree/main/GemmiRecipes](https://github.com/glevans/PDB_Notebooks/tree/main/GemmiRecipes)

```
!gemmi mtz -A truncate-unique.mtz
mtz
from
autoPROC
...
_reflns.d_resolution_low 54.110
_reflns.d_resolution_high 1.517
_reflns.pdbx_Rmerge_I_obs 0.0535
_reflns.pdbx_Rrim_I_all 0.0547
_reflns.pdbx_Rpim_I_all 0.0112
_reflns.pdbx_number_measured_all 818462
_reflns.number_obs 40884
_reflns.pdbx_netI_over_sigmaI 23.41
_reflns.percent_possible_obs 100.0
_reflns.pdbx_redundancy 20.02
_reflns.pdbx_CC_half 0.999
_reflns.pdbx_percent_possible_anomalous 99.6
_reflns.pdbx_redundancy_anomalous 10.68
_reflns.pdbx_CC_half_anomalous -0.054
_reflns.pdbx_absDiff_over_sigma_anomalous 0.636
```



## Working together towards metadata capture:

Metadata values & corresponding wwPDB capturing (mmCIF categories items)



[https://github.com/glevans/automating\\_data\\_collection\\_stats](https://github.com/glevans/automating_data_collection_stats) (private)

- '\_reflns' for Overall 'Collection Statistics'
- '\_reflns\_shell' for Inner and Outer Shell 'Collection Statistics'

These categories have items that correlate to each of the statistical values listed in the form. Below is useful table (Table 1) relating the mmCIF item labels in the '\_reflns' category, to the mmCIF items in '\_reflns\_shell' category and their correlation to items in the wwPDB deposition interface 'Collection Statistics' form values:

Table 1: Items in the '\_reflns' category, '\_reflns\_shell' category and human-readable names for the values:

	_reflns	_reflns_shell	More information
High resolution limit [Å]	<a href="#">d_resolution_high</a>	<a href="#">d_res_high</a>	The high resolution limit used for data processing, or for the shell.
Low resolution limit [Å]	<a href="#">d_resolution_low</a>	<a href="#">d_res_low</a>	The low resolution limit used for data processing, or for the shell.
Total number unique reflections	<a href="#">number_obs</a>	<a href="#">number_unique_obs</a>	The number of symmetry-unique observations.
Total number of reflections	<a href="#">pdbx_number_measured_all</a>	<a href="#">number_measured_all</a>	The number of measured intensities just before the final merging step.

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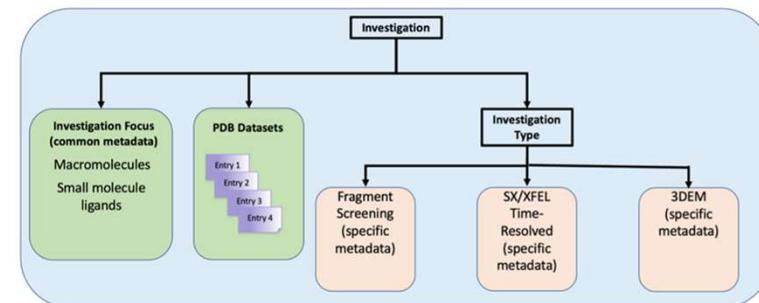
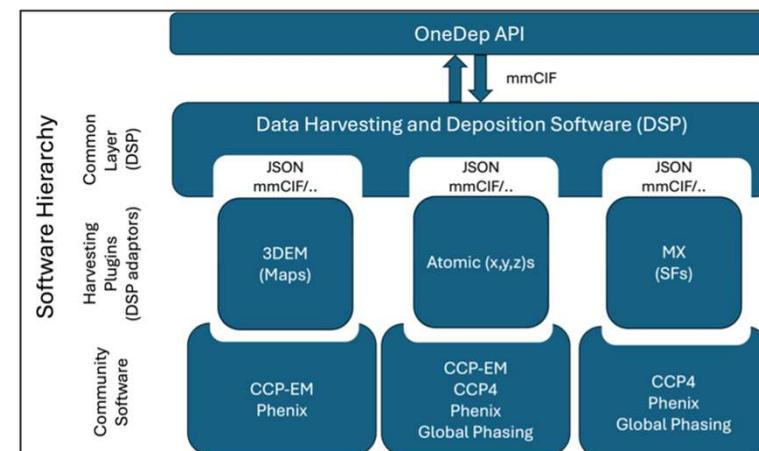
**Overall Wilson B factor** is often NOT listed in logs (or mmCIF) with processing stats from autoprocessing pipelines.

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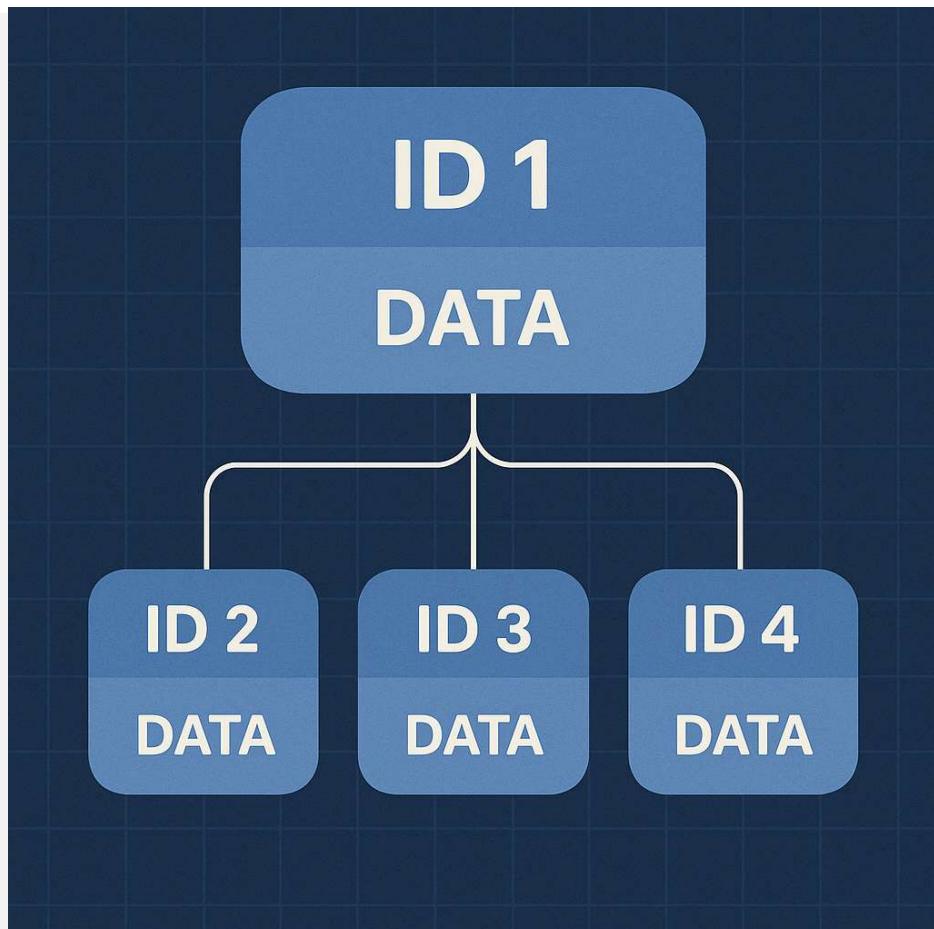
### Project awarded: Streamlining Data Deposition

3 years project: November 2025 to October 2028

- Make Deposition API available for depositors
- Improve metadata copy based on previous depositions
- New OneDep APIs to:
  - Access ligand curation & validation
  - Add sequence annotation
  - Add assembly annotation
  - Access wwPDB validation
- Enable batch depositions and processing



# Batch metadata → INVESTIGATION files



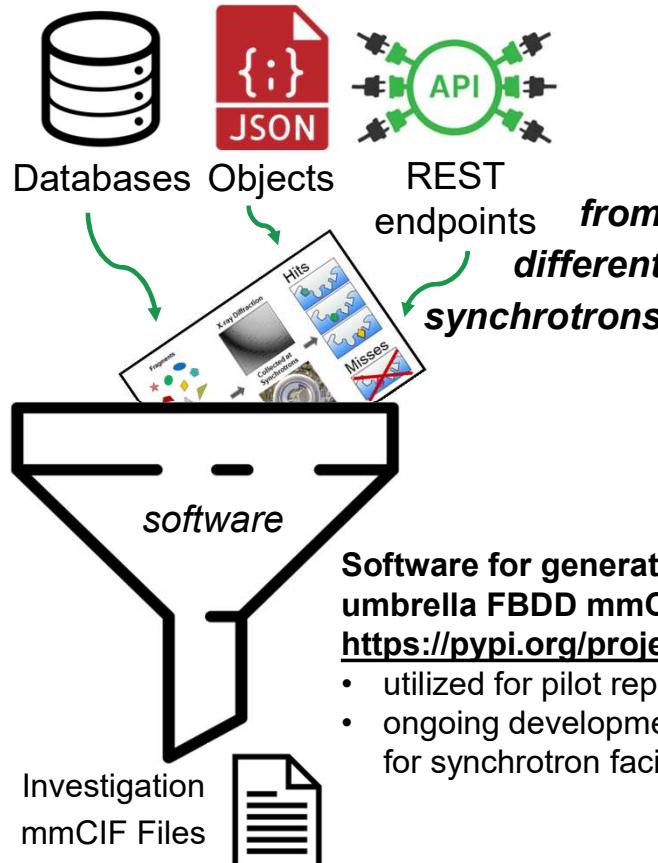
## Concept:

- ❖ Umbrella file (ID 1) with defined data model to connect multiple entries (ID 2, ID 3 & ID 4).

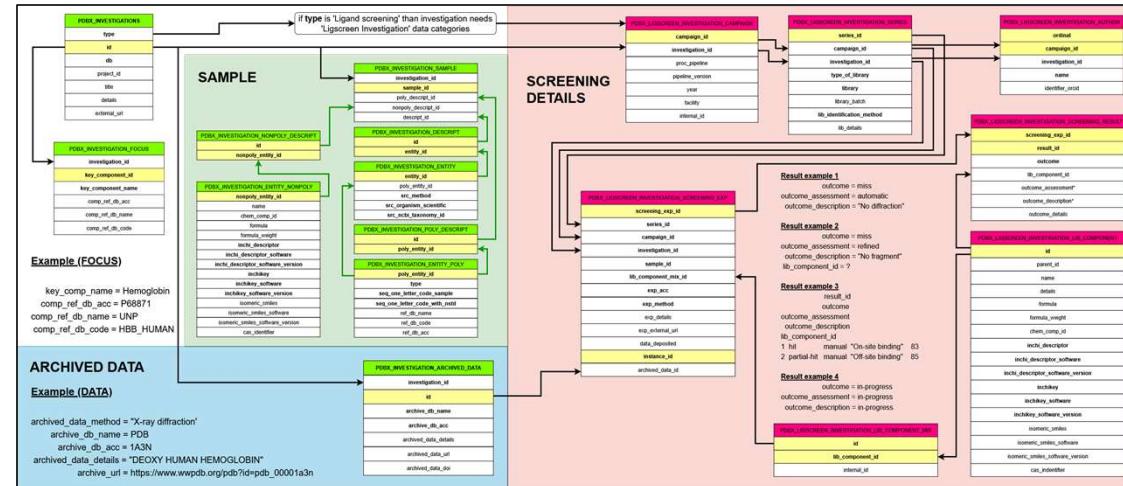
## Key features:

- ❖ Value-adding, enriching metadata
- ❖ Define types of umbrella files for different use case, e.g.:
  - Fragment screening
  - Time-resolved
  - EMDB specific cases – composite maps
- ❖ Only contains a subset of information found in a coordinate mmCIF file (not coordinates)
- ❖ Links to non-wwPDB databases

# X-ray-based Fragment-based drug discovery (FBDD) data



Standardizing data schema for FBDD data  
<https://github.com/PDBeurope/InvestigationCIF>



- Synchrotrons and associated facilities involved in developing this data model:
- The Crystallisation Facility at the European Molecular Biology Laboratory (EMBL) Grenoble** and **European Synchrotron Radiation Facility (ESRF)** in France
  - XChem: Diamond Fragment Screening** at **Diamond Light Source (DLS)** in the United Kingdom
  - Fragment Screening Facility at Berlin synchrotron BESSY-MX and Helmholtz-Zentrum Berlin/HZB** in Germany
  - FragMAX** at Swedish synchrotron **MAX IV** in Sweden



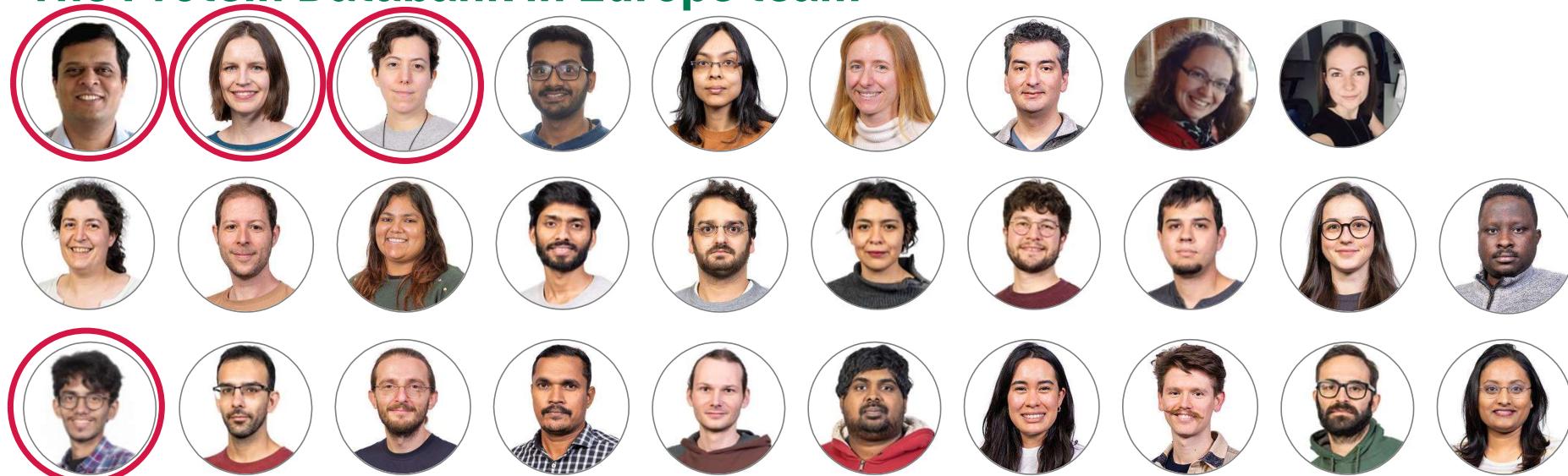
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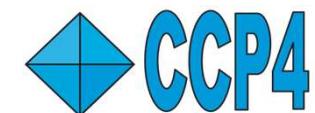
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