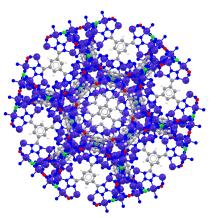
Advanced Functionality for Visualization and Analysis of Structures in Mercury

CCDC Virtual Workshop

30th April 2024







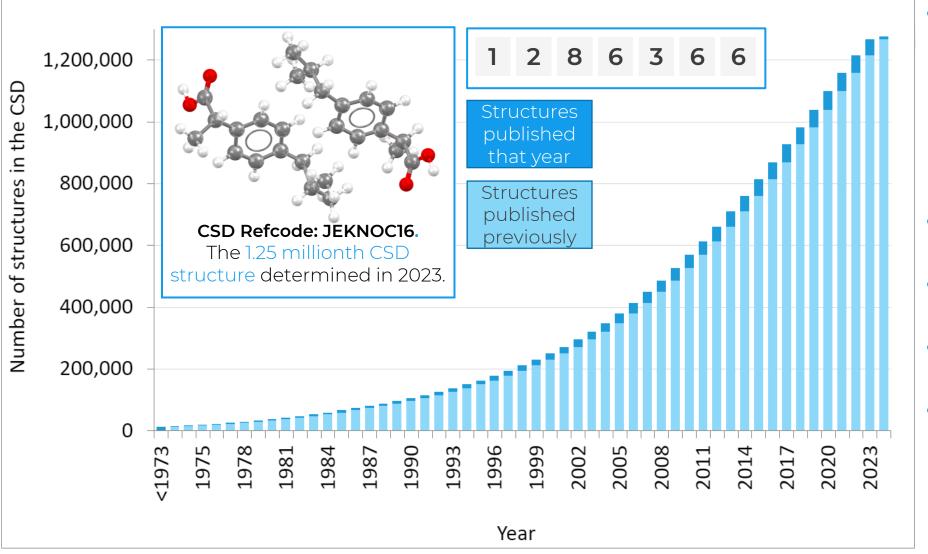
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Learning outcomes for today

- Understand more about the advanced functionality in Mercury and how it can be used to visualise, analyse and compare solid forms effectively, including guidance on:
 - o Applications of the new disorder visualization feature.
 - o Edit structures, select, hide or delete parts of the structure and create your own style!
 - Structure and molecule overlay, for comparing crystal structures packing and molecular conformations and stereochemistry.
 - o Visualize a slice of the crystal packing along BFDH planes.
 - o Conformer generator for generating plausible conformers of compounds of interest.
 - o Programmatic access though CSD Python API menu no need for coding with the pre-loaded functionality!
- Learn tips and tricks for using a range of tools effectively to save you time and help you advance your research
- Gain confidence in the functionality used today so you can apply the techniques on your own systems/structures.



The Cambridge Structural Database



- Every published structure
 - Inc. ASAP & early view
 - CSD Communications
 - Patents
 - University repositories
 - Thesis
- Every entry enriched and annotated by experts
- Discoverability of data and knowledge
- Sustainable for over 58 years
- A trusted CoreTrustSeal repository



Inside the Cambridge Structural Database

The CSD is a database of all the published organic and metal-organic experimental crystal structures

Organic 45%

Metal-Organic 55%

At least one transition metal, lanthanide, actinide or any of Al, Ga. In. Tl. Ge. Sn. Pb. Sb. Bi. Po

Not Polymeric 89%

ymeric: 11%

Single Component 58%

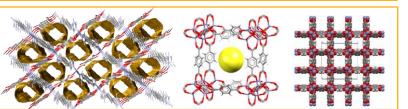
Multi Component 42%

Organic

- Drugs
- Agrochemicals
- Pigments
- Explosives
- Protein ligands

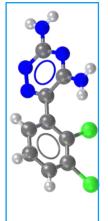
Metal-Organic

- Metal Organic Frameworks
- Models for new catalysts
- Porous frameworks for gas storage
- Fundamental chemical bonding



Additional data

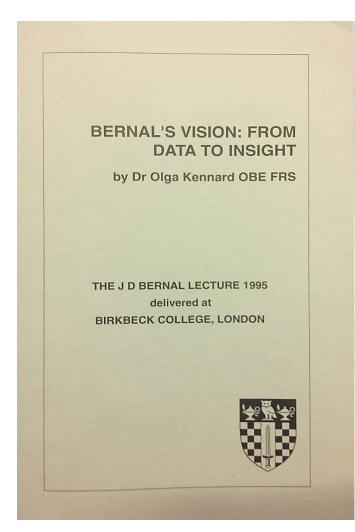
- 13,478 polymorph families
- 174,987 melting points
- 1,075,904 crystal colours
- 951,746 crystal shapes
- 30,275 bioactivity details
- 13.641 natural source data
- > 350,000 oxidation states



Links and subsets

- DrugBank
- Druglike
- MOFs
- PDB ligands
- PubChem
- ChemSpider
- Pesticide PDB

The vision



We clearly recognised even in those early days, that data banks have three principal functions. Firstly they must gather together existing knowledge and make it readily available to the scientific community. Secondly they can be used to reduce a large number of observations to a small set of constants and rules, and in this way transform a data base to a knowledge base. Such a knowledge base may obviate the need for further individual experiments in specific areas. Thirdly, they facilitate the comparison and collective analysis of individual results to gain insight into new or as yet unexplained phenomena. These ideas have been at the heart of the work of the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre and the driving force for improving methods of data collection, storage and dissemination. Most importantly they influenced development of computer programs and methodologies which are needed for the analysis and transformation of the accumulated information. (5)



The CSD Portfolio today

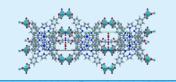


CSDCore.

Search, visualise, analyse and communicate structural data Insights into molecular and crystal shape and interactions

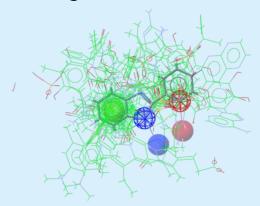






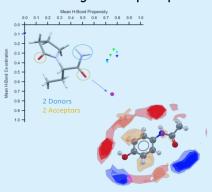
CSDDiscovery.

Design of new molecules



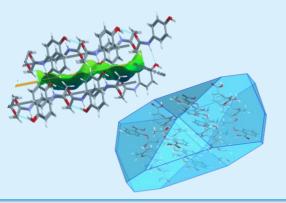
CSDMaterials.

Assessment of solid form stability and properties



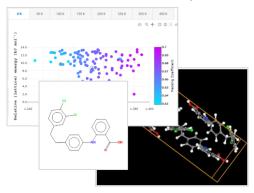
CSDParticle.

Anticipate particle properties and behaviour



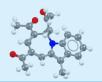
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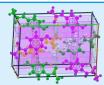
Insights from predicted structure landscapes



CSDCommunity.

Deposit, publish, access and visualise structural data Free functionality to share and learn from structures







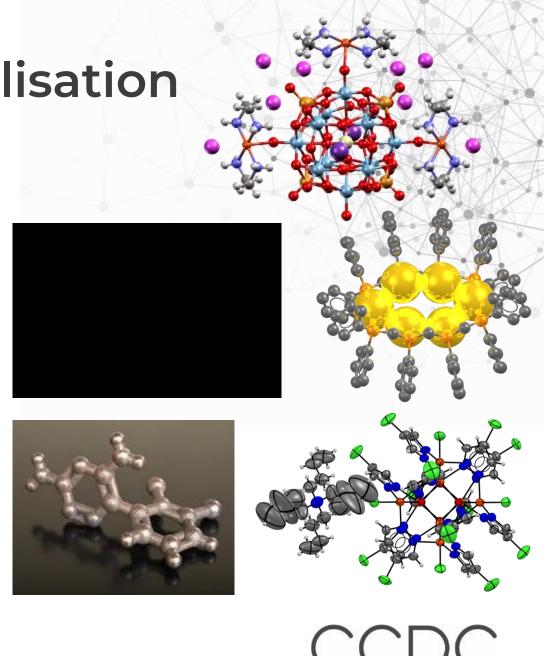




Mercury - Structure visualisation

With Mercury you can:

- Explore crystal structures, molecular conformations, crystallographic planes and simulated morphologies
- Generate high quality structural images for effective scientific communication
- Output model files for 3D printing
- Analyse geometries, interactions and the packing inside structures

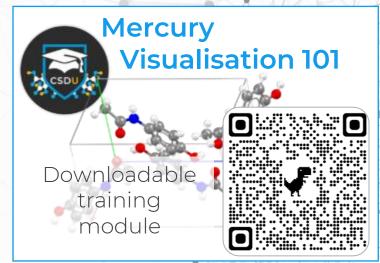




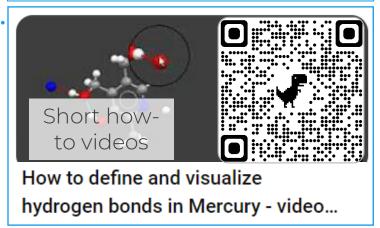
Structure visualisation - Basics

What have we learnt in previous workshops and resources?

- The basics of the Mercury interface.
- Basic options to visualise small molecule crystal structures.
- Analysis and visualisation of Hydrogen bonds.
- Visualisation of the packing and basic symmetry.
- Creation of high-resolution publication ready images.

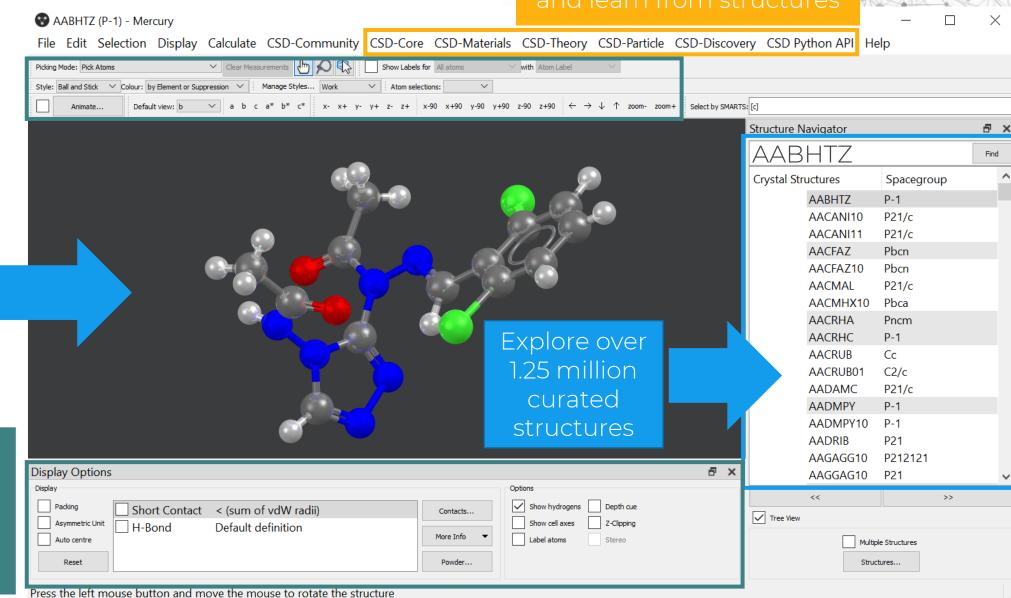






Mercury Overview

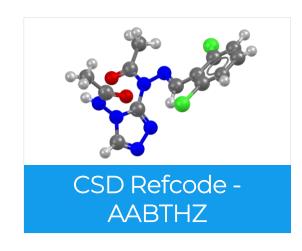
More advanced functionality to analyse and learn from structures

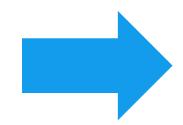




Display options to visualise and navigate structures

CSD Refcodes





What is AABHTZ?

- A CSD Refcode
- A database reference code
- Containing 6-8 characters
- Used to identify entries in the CSD

Refcode families

- The same substances are assigned the *same* 6 letter code plus an additional 2 numbers
 - Polymorphs
 - New determinations or re-refinements of the same substance
 - Determinations at different temperatures/pressures
- Stereoisomers or different solvates, co-crystals, etc are assigned different refcode families



Visualise your own structures

Import and assign bond types and missing hydrogens (optional)

- File > Open to open one of your own files for example a CIF
- Edit > Auto Edit Structure to assign bond types
- File > Auto Edit Structure on Load to automate

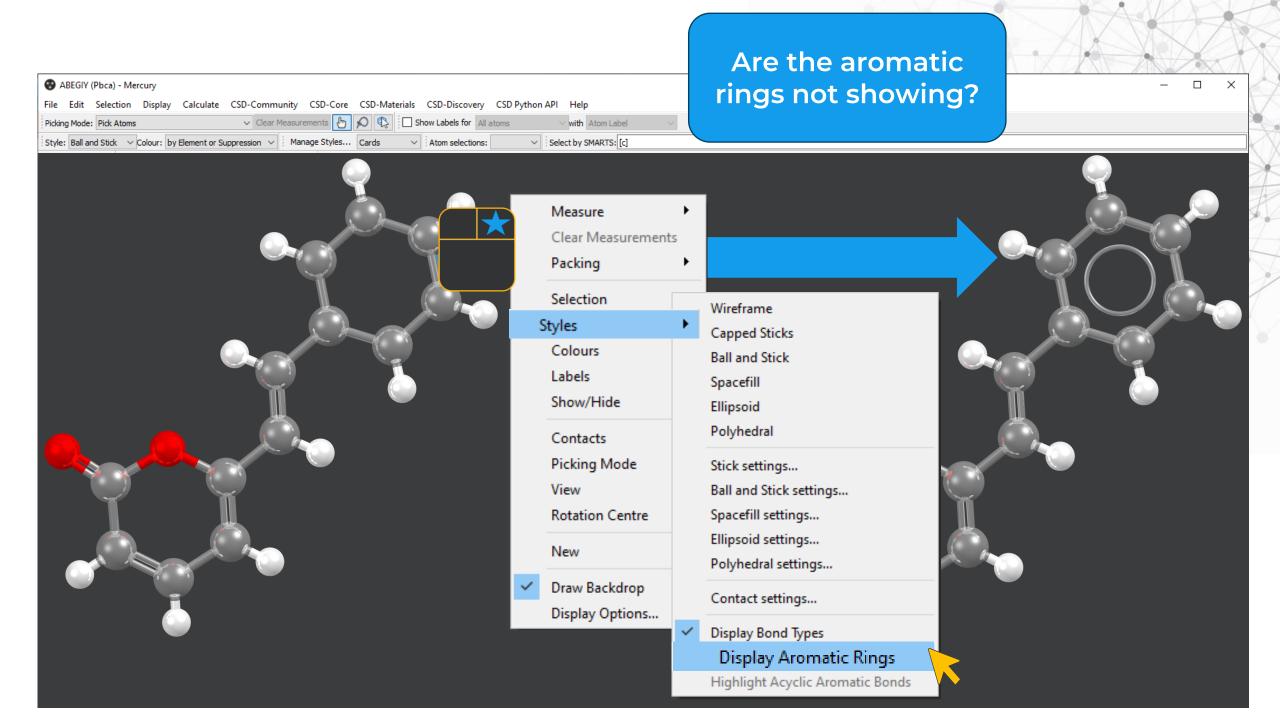
Ctrl+Q

Exit

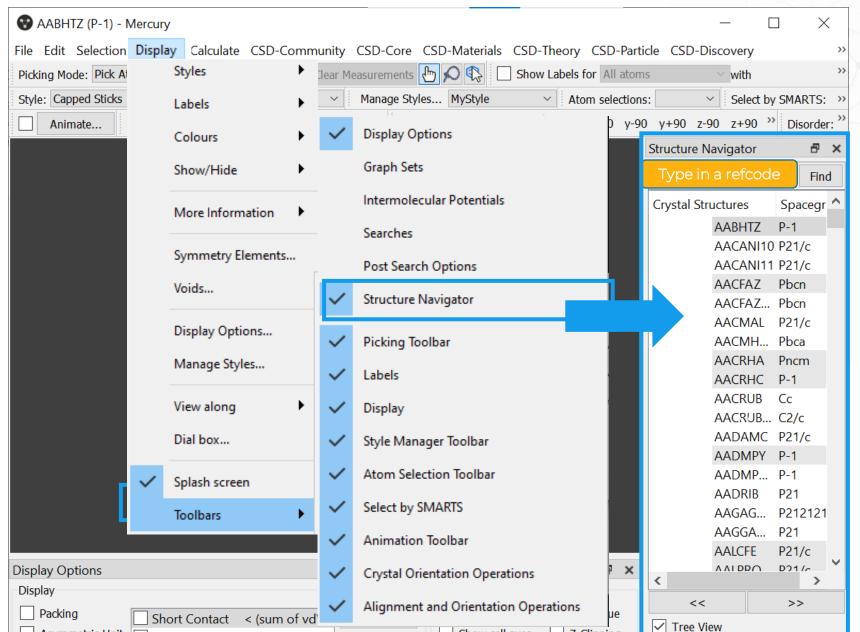
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Change Spacegroup Setting...

Auto Edit Manual Edit ✓ Guess bond types Only bonds with unknown types Standardise to Cambridge Structural Database conventions ✓ Aromatic bonds ✓ Delocalised Bonds ✓ Add missing H atoms **Apply** Close



Lost toolbars?



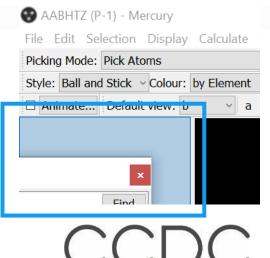
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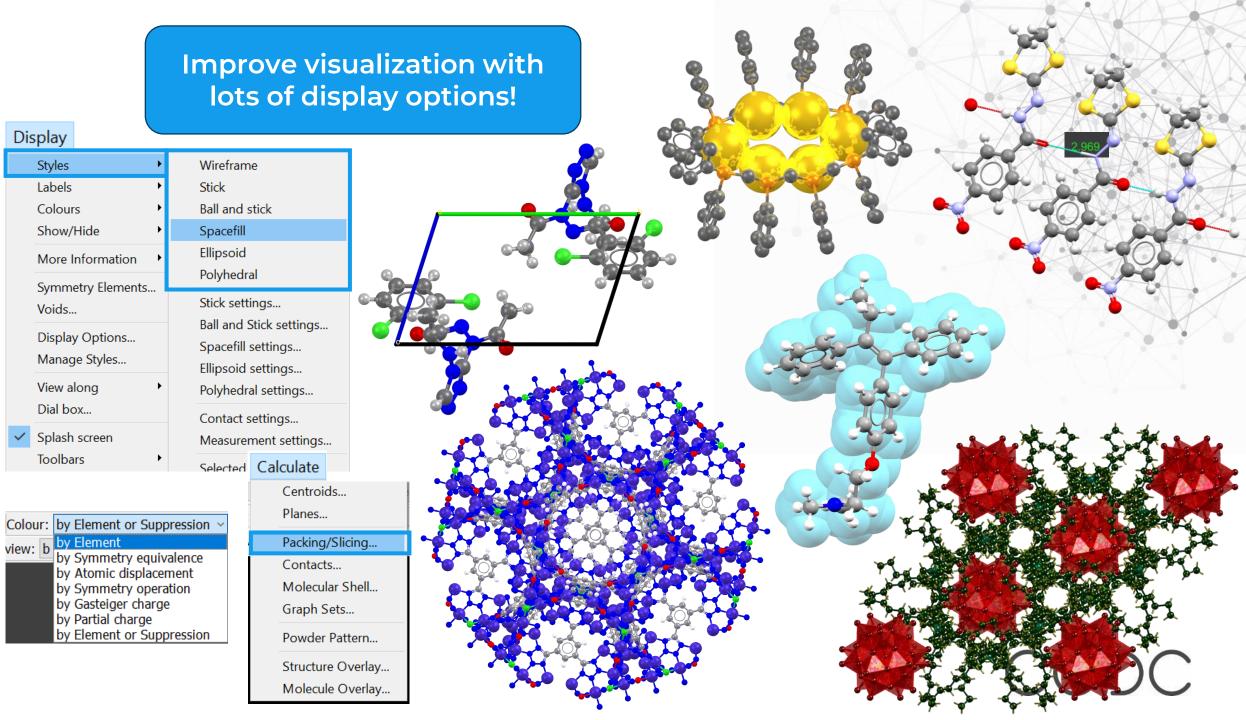
Click on the resize icon or drag the top to pop the toolbar out.



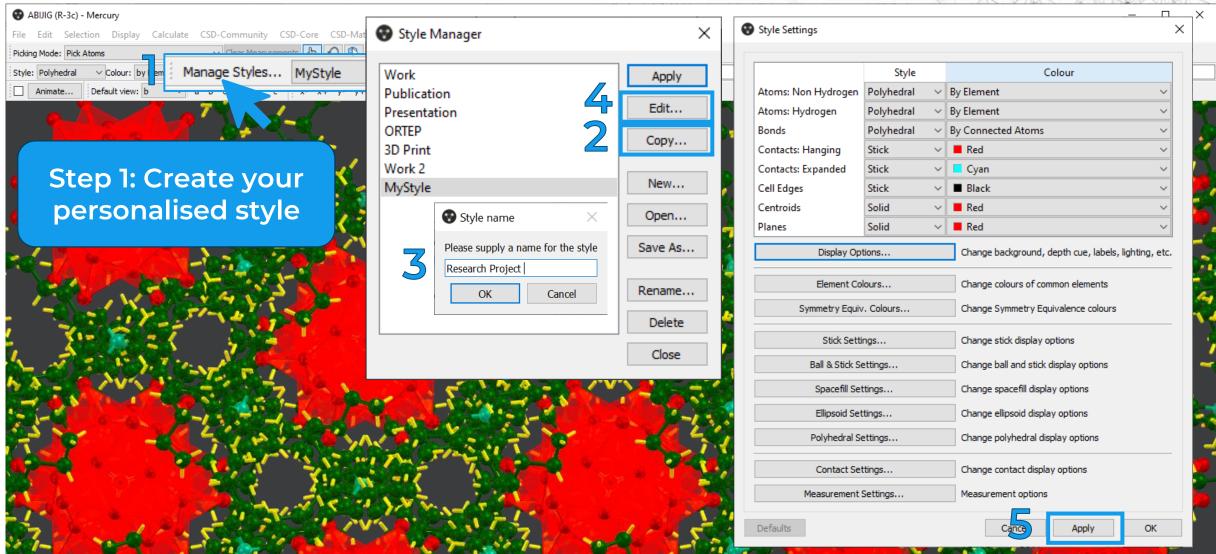
Structure Navigator

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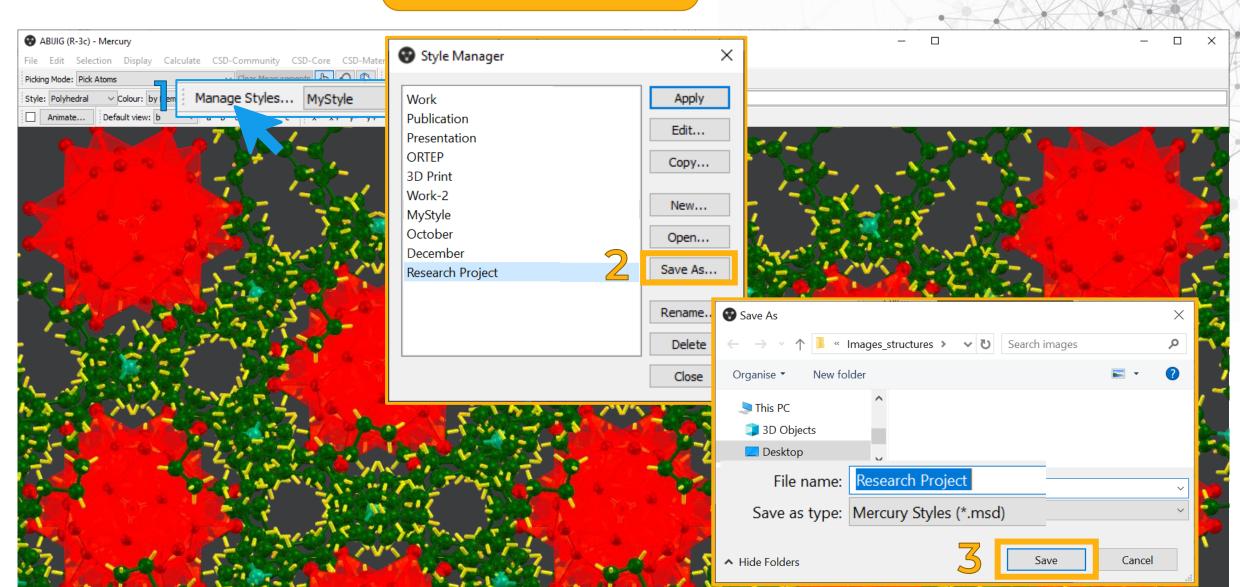




Working with colleagues and want consistent look of your publication images?

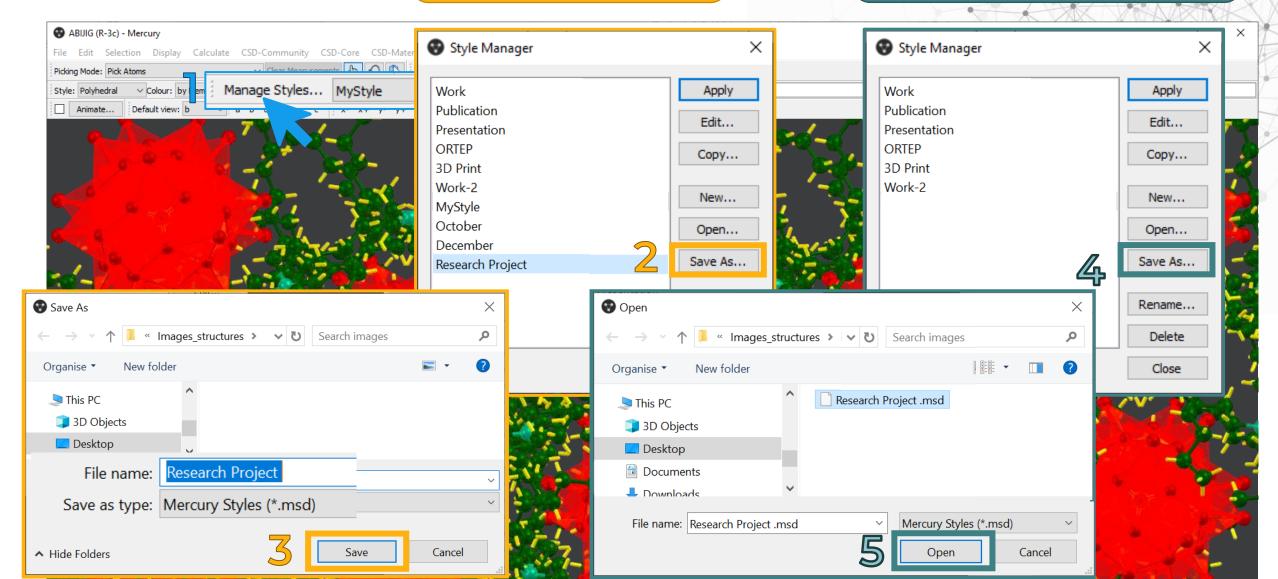


Step 2: Save it and share it with your collaborators



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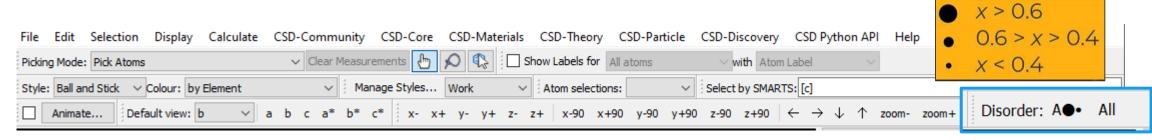
Step 3: Your collaborators can then open and save your new style.



Visualizing disorder

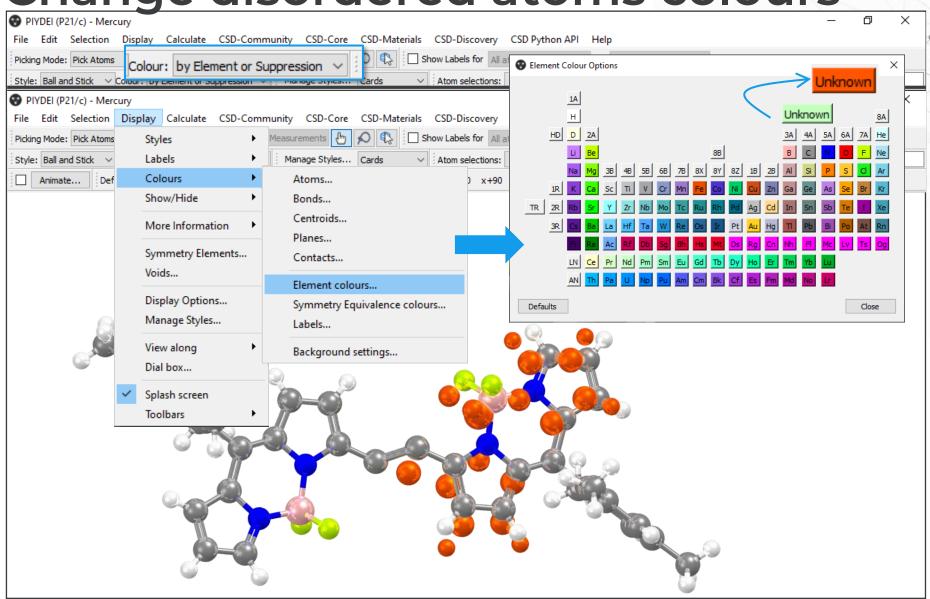
 New functionality when you load a CIF into Mercury:

- Visualise the different disorder models
- Visualize the contacts for each disorder model
- Visualize the voids for each disorder model
- Available from July 2023 onwards
- More disorder work planned.



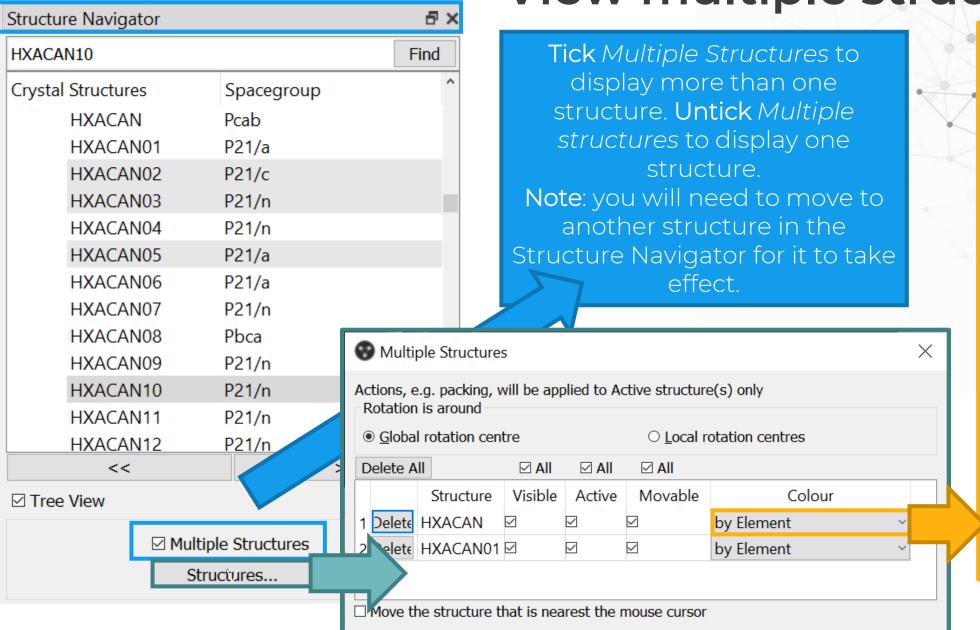


Change disordered atoms colours





View multiple structures



by Element by Symmetry

by Atomic Displacement

White

Light Grey

■ Grey

Dark Grey

■ Black

Pink

■ Red

Orange

Yellow

Light Green

■ Green

Light Blue

Cyan

Blue

Purple

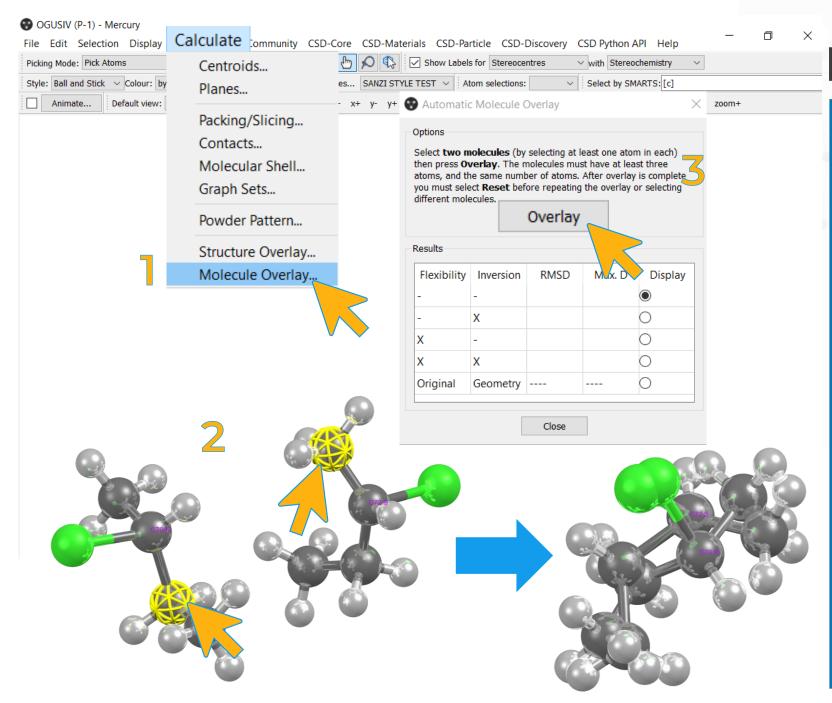
Violet

Magenta

Custom...

Custom Carbon...





Molecule Overlay

When to use:

- To compare the chirality of stereochemistry of molecules.
- To compare conformers.

What is does:

• Uses inversion and flexibility to calculate overlays.

What you can use it on:

- 2 molecules in different structures
- Or 2 molecules in a single structure.
- On identical or non-identical molecules.

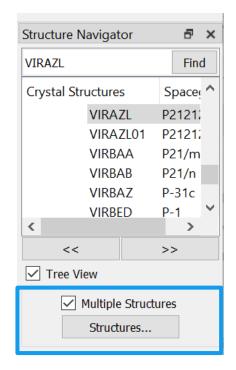
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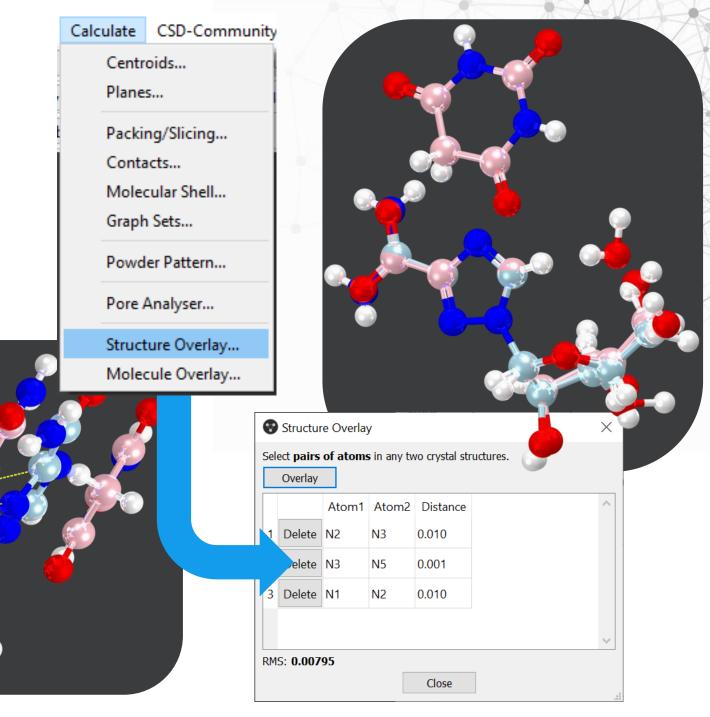
- If the reported RMSD for the overlay is quite low, but the Max. D value is large, it may be an indication that the molecules are quite similar, except for a localised area.
- For example, a comparison of cis and trans geometries may result in a low RMSD but high Max. D.

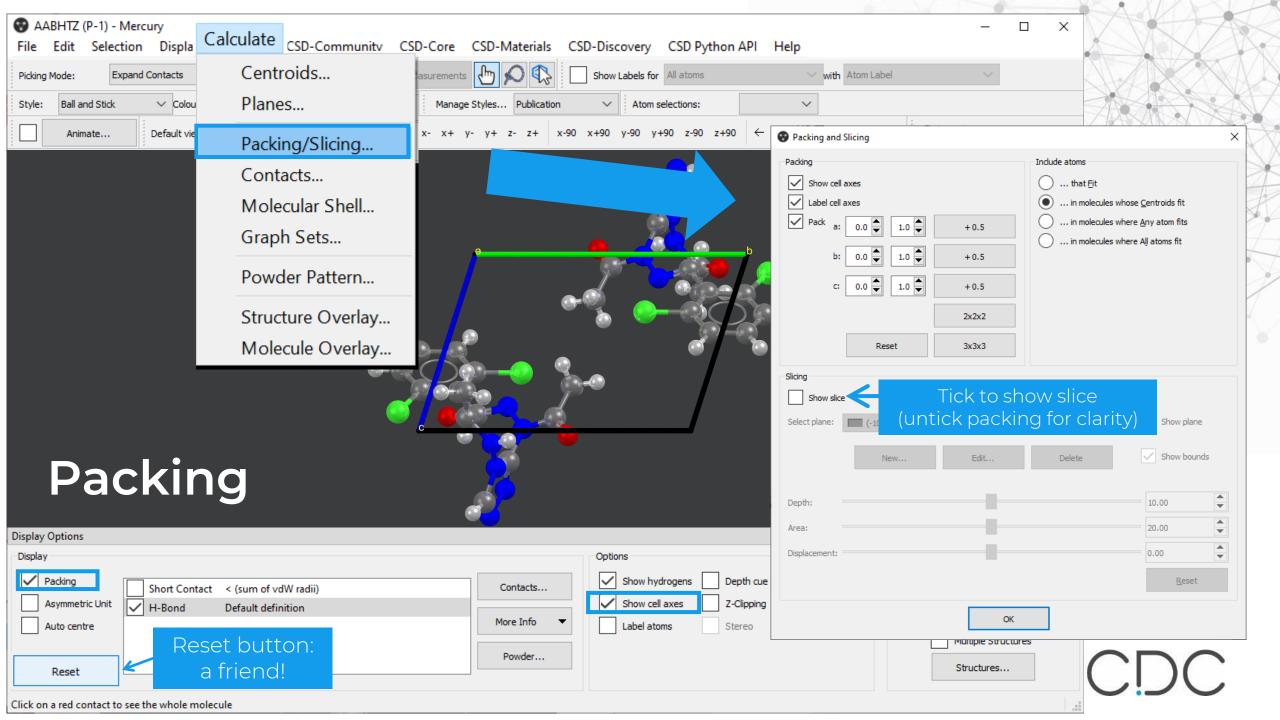
Structure Overlay

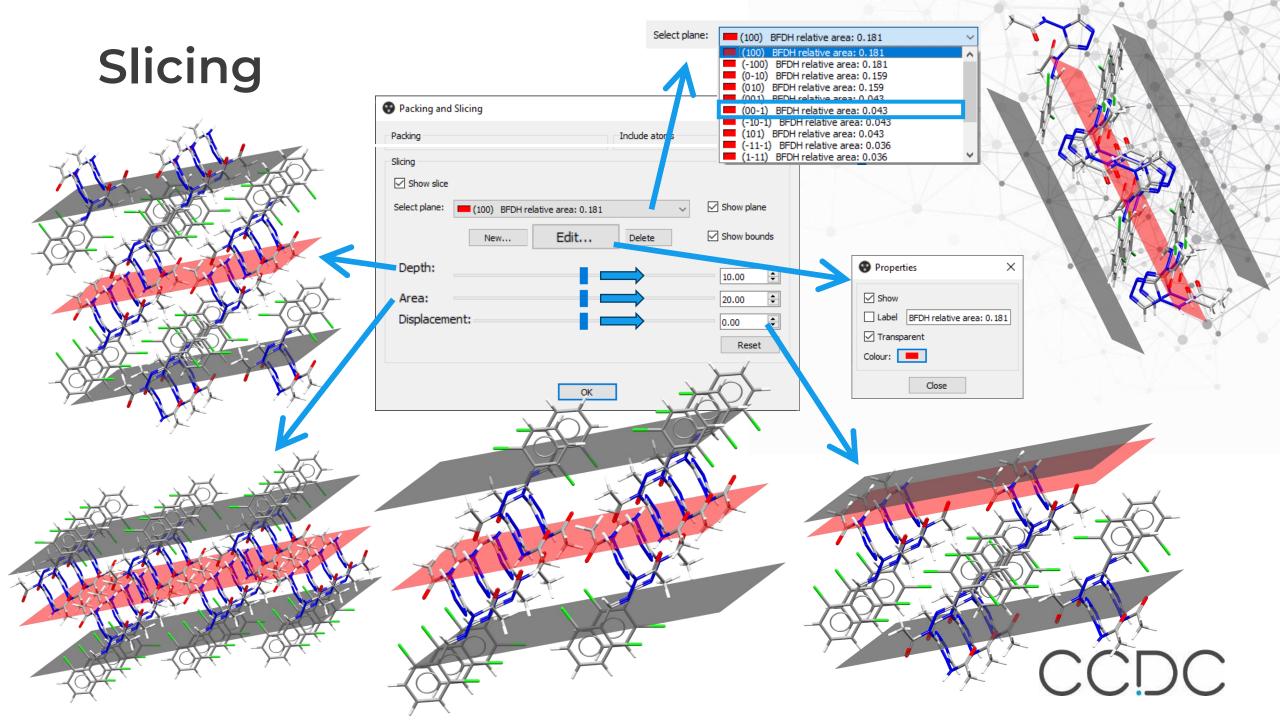
Tick Multiple structures to load more than one structure

CSD Refcodes: VIRAZL, FOQROU (light blue – pink)



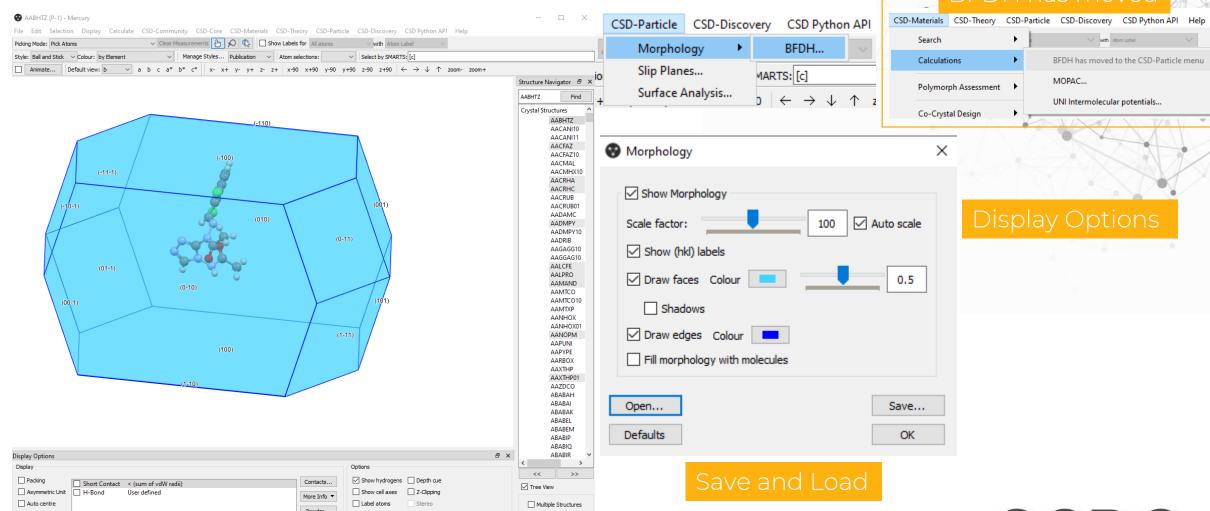






A reminder: BFDH Morphology

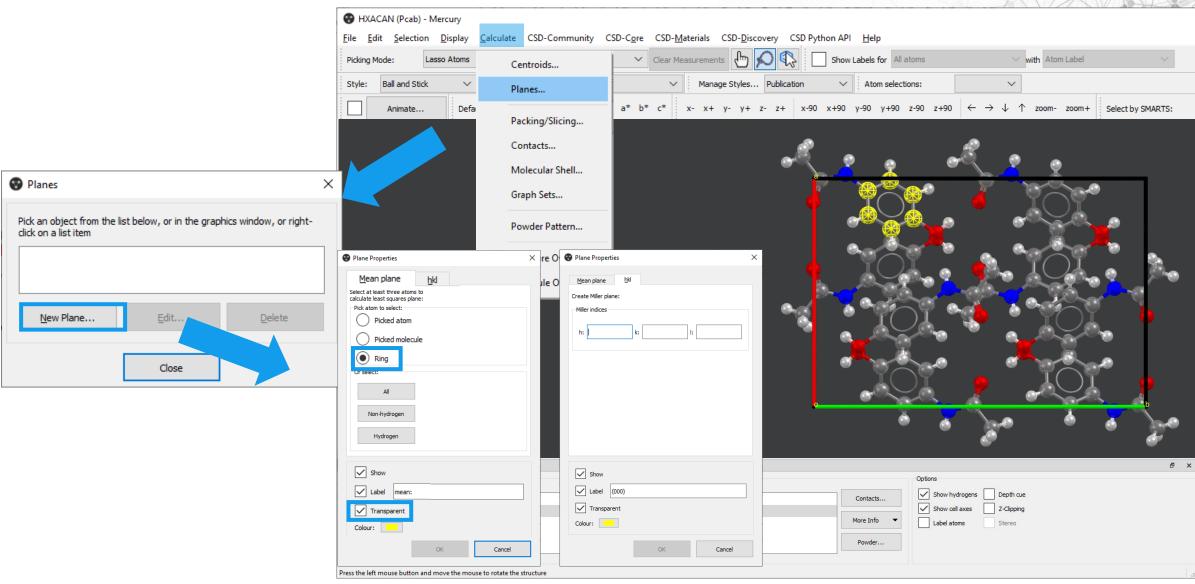
Press the left mouse button and move the mouse to rotate the structure



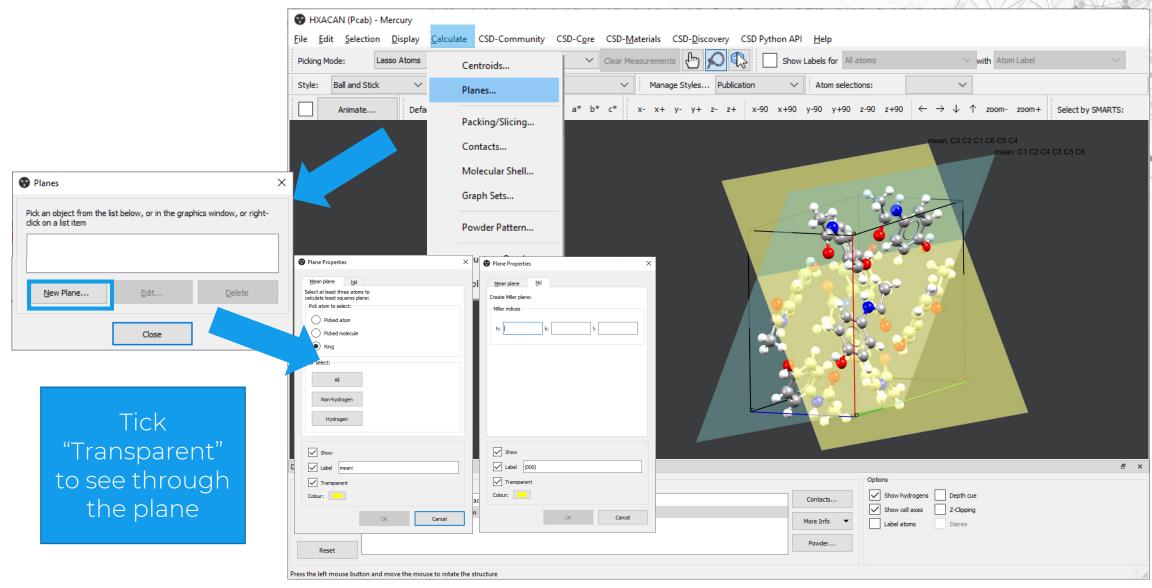
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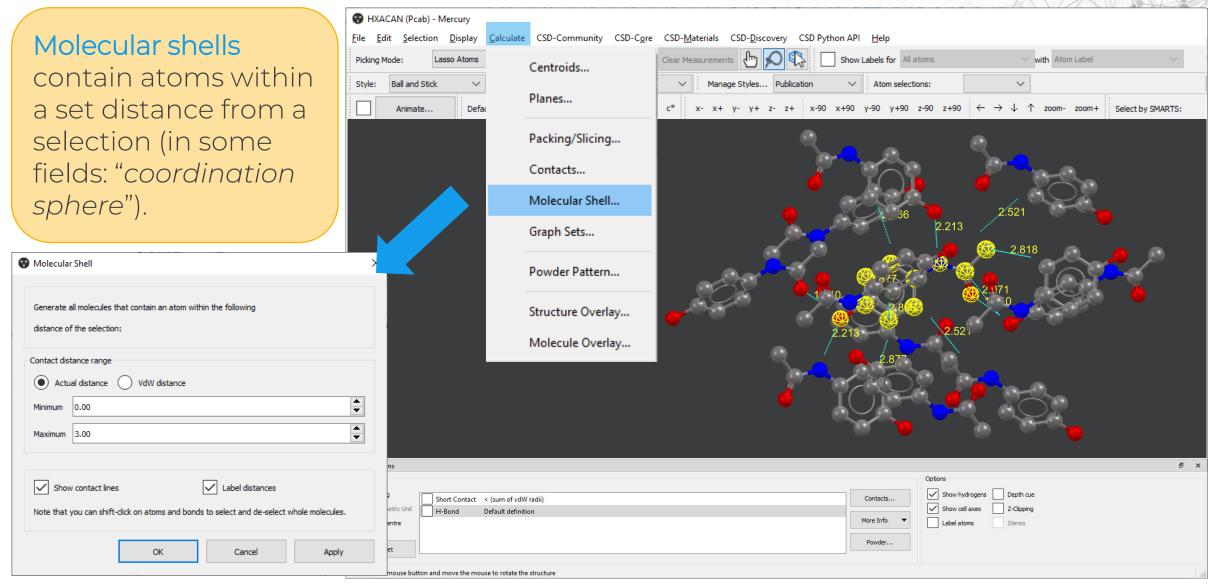
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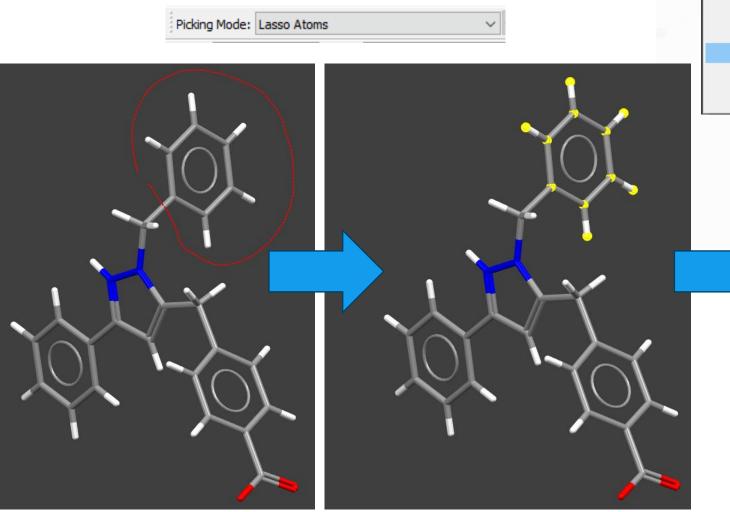
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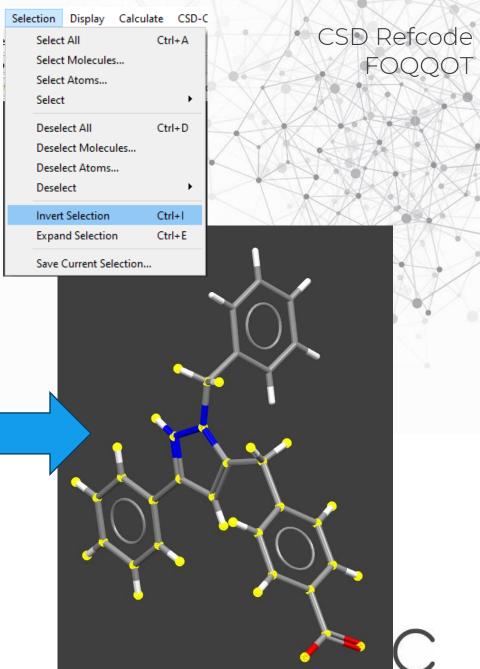


Exploring Molecular Shells



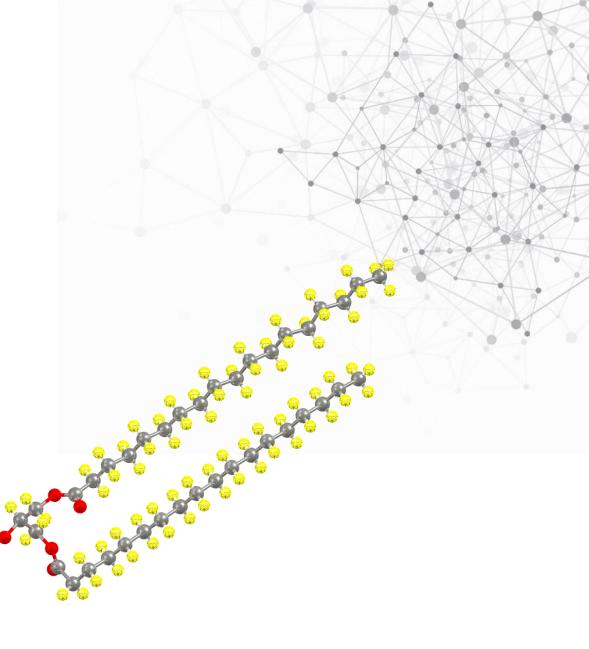
Select tips



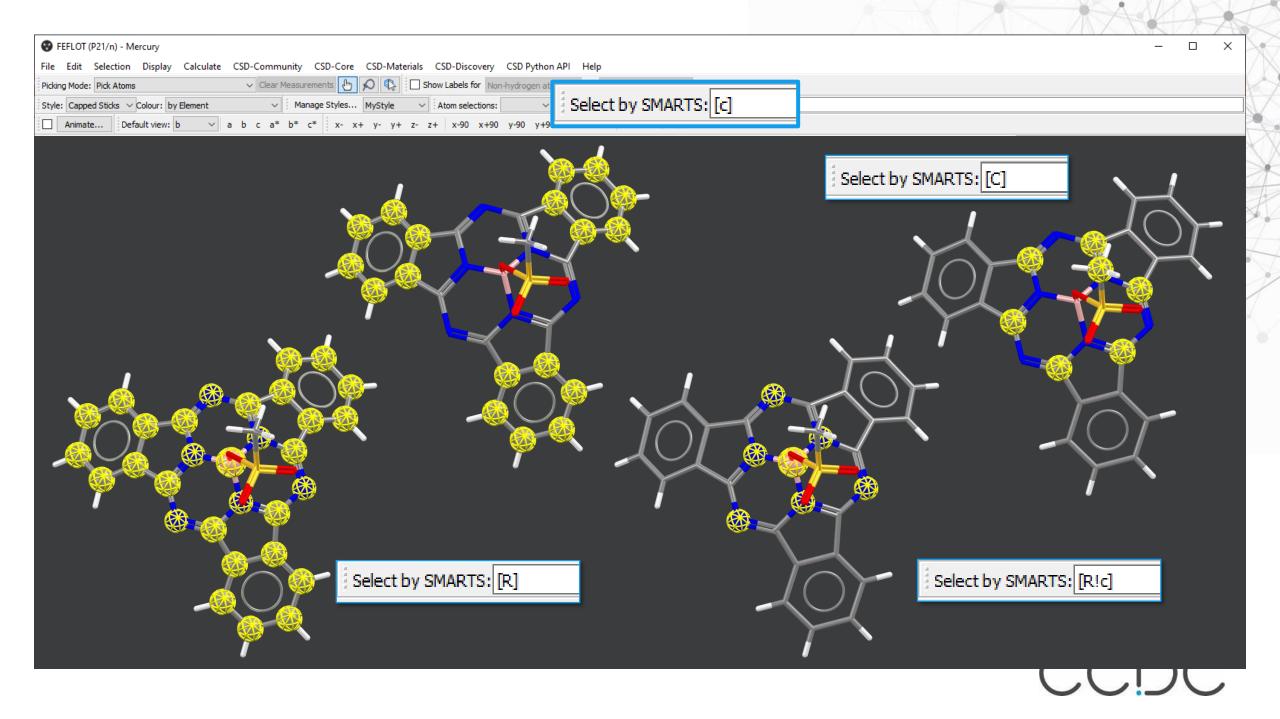


Select Tips

Selection Ctrl+A Select All Select Molecules... Select Atoms... Select Hydrogen Select Select Non-Hydrogen Ctrl+D Deselect All Select Carbons Deselect Molecules... Select Non-H, C Deselect Atoms... Deselect Select Metal Atoms Select Non-Metal Atoms Invert Selection Ctrl+I **Expand Selection** Ctrl+E Select Contact Atoms Select Stereocentres Save Current Selection...

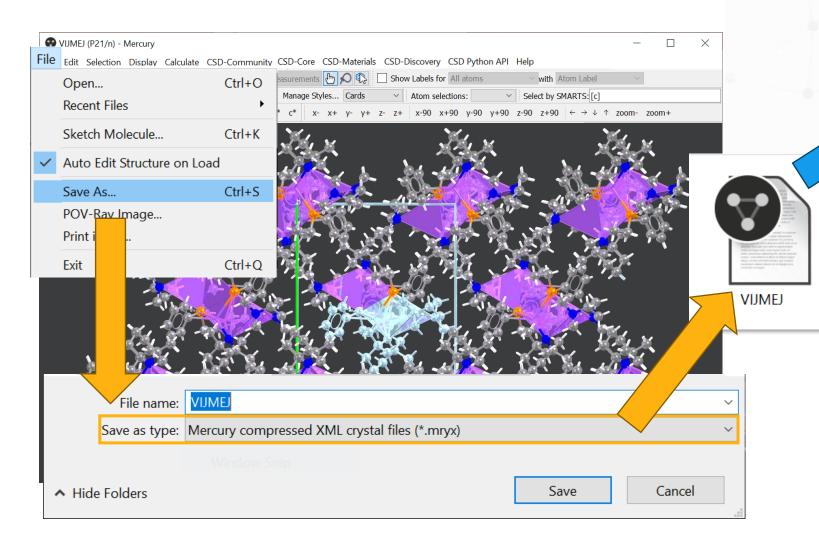


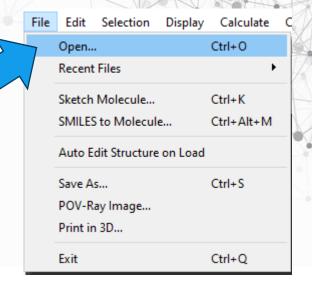




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Save your current display





... and reopen it later!



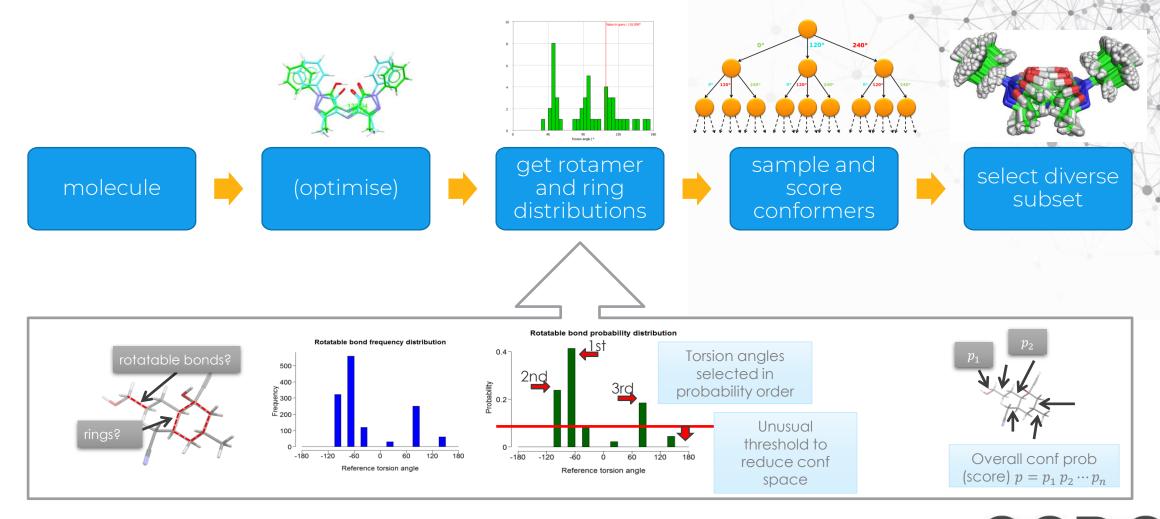
CSD-Conformer Generator

Mogul can display distributions of important molecular geometries based on the bond lengths, angles, ring geometries, and torsions of the expertly curated structures in the CSD.

- Part of CSD-Discovery, CSD-Materials and CSD-Enterprise suites
- The starting point are Mogul data libraries with some changes and improvements to tailor them to conformer generation
- 2022.1 release of Conformer Generator version: improved handling of flexible ring systems
 - Using Mogul templates for isolated, fused, spiro-linked and bridged rings
 - If no template available, then generated on the fly with cyclic bond rotamer distributions
- Fast & chemically plausible conformations
- Initial optimisation step also useful to prepare compound libraries before virtual screening



CSD-Conformer Generator: Methodology

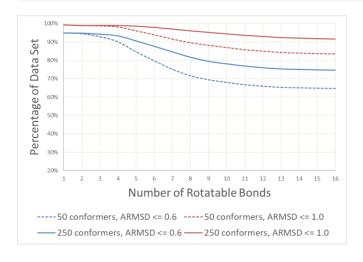


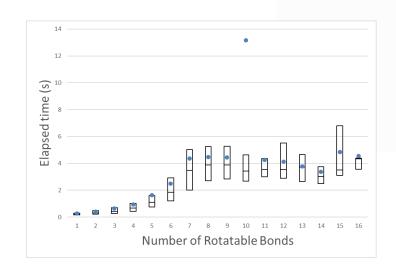


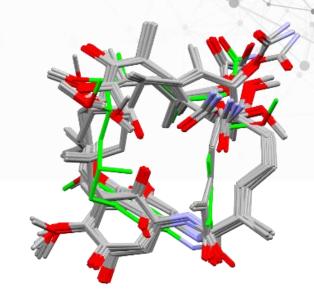
CSD-Conformer Generator: Latest validation

Performance evaluated against the Platinum* diverse data set → get fast & chemically plausible conformations

	Top n conformers		
n	1	50	250
least ARMSD < 0.5 Å (%)	18	57	66
least ARMSD < 1.0 Å (%)	39	84	92
mean ARMSD		0.59	0.48







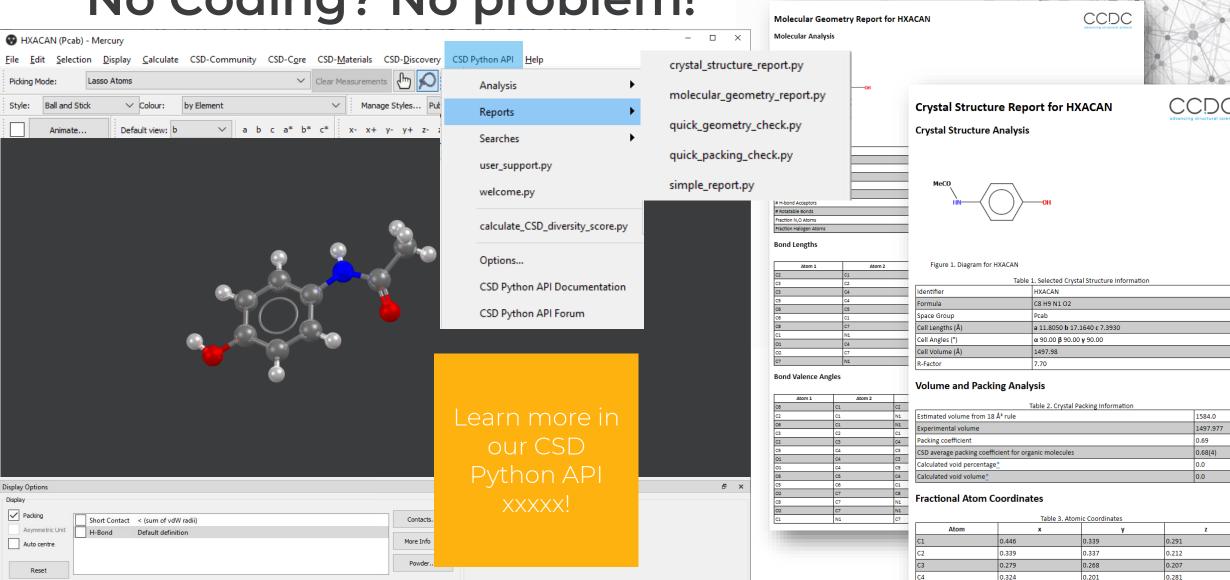
Geldanamycin, 19 atoms in ring (PDB 3C11): top 50 conformers, least AMRSD = 0.95 Å



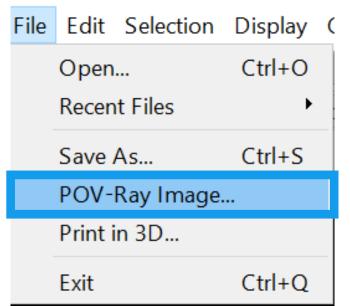
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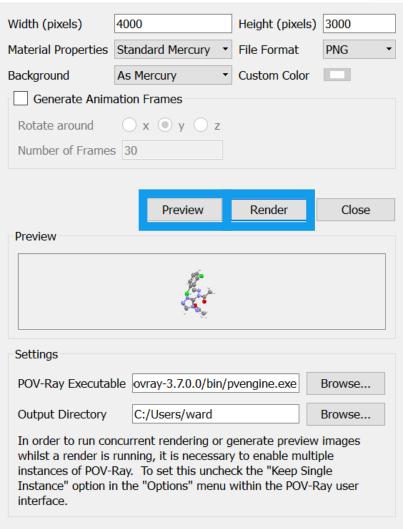
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Generating high quality images





File > POV-Ray Image

Change Resolution

Width = 4000

Height = 3000

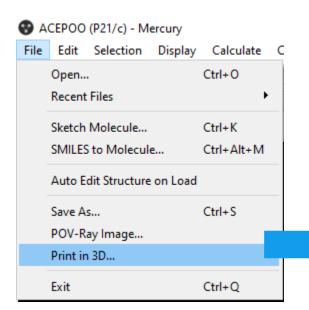
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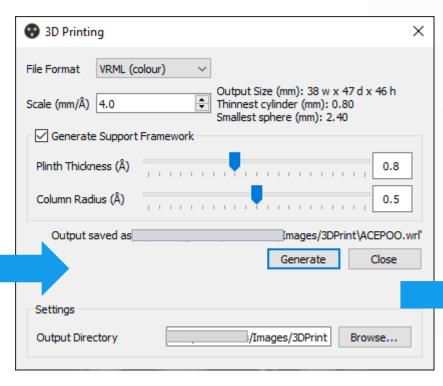
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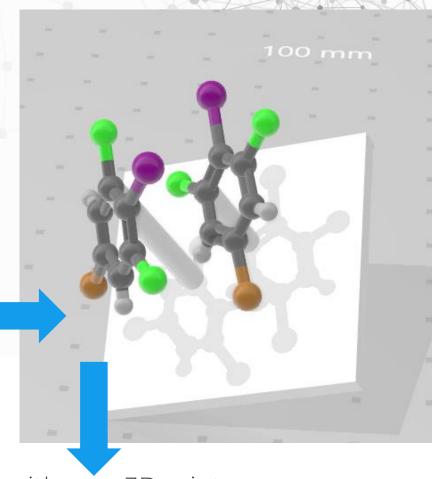
Press 'Preview'



3D printing







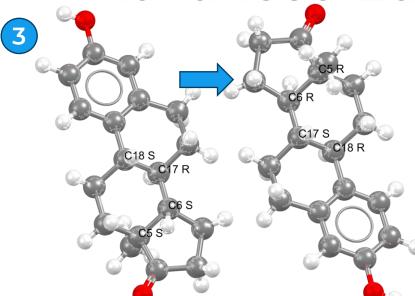


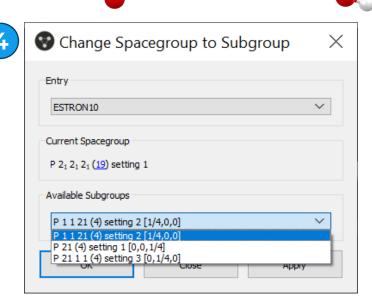


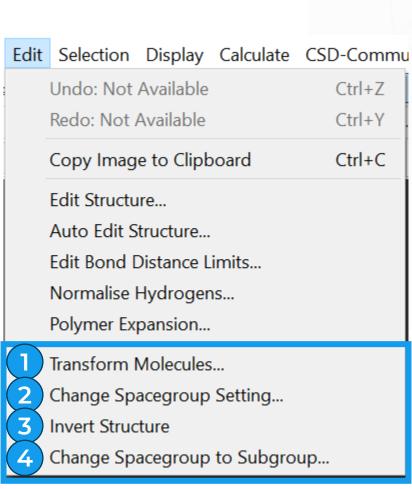
Example of 3D printed structure of CSD Refcode SAHYIK

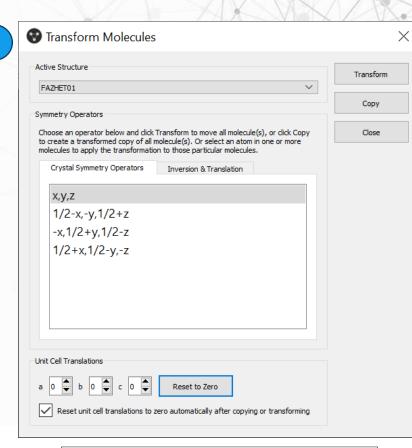


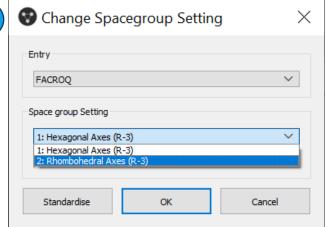
Advanced Edit Features

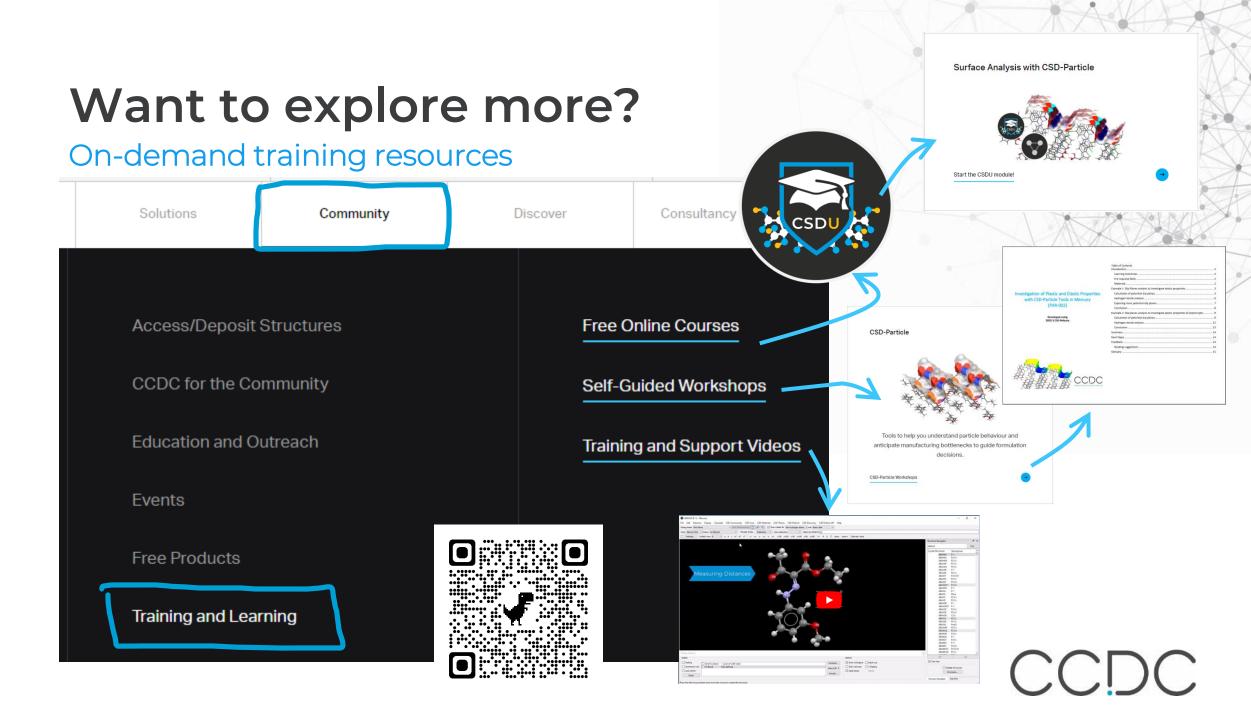








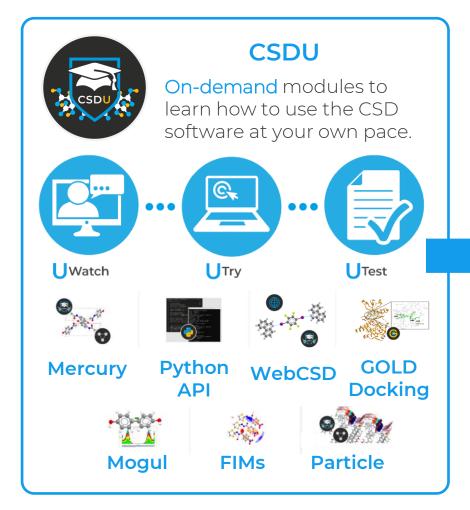




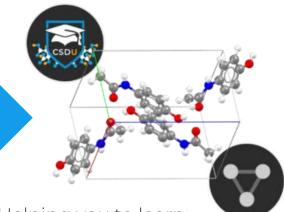
Free online training courses



With completion certificates!



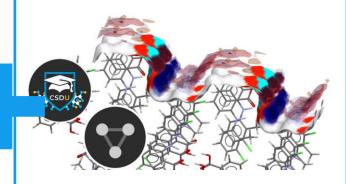
Visualization 101



Helping you to learn:

- The basics of Mercury software.
- How to explore and pack structures.
- How to create high resolution images.

Surface analysis



Helping you to learn:

- The basics of CSD-Particle.
- How to perform a surface analysis.
- How to visualise likely interactions with the surface using Full Interaction Maps (also a CSDU course!).

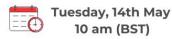
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Upcoming Virtual Workshops & Events

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VIRTUAL WORKSHOP

In-Depth Comparison of Polymorphic Structures Using Mercury









And more!!



CCDC **discovery science** software users and nonusers will collectively discuss the latest trends and advancements in the industry, including the rise of **Al and machine learning**.

Use cases will be presented and common challenges discussed.

