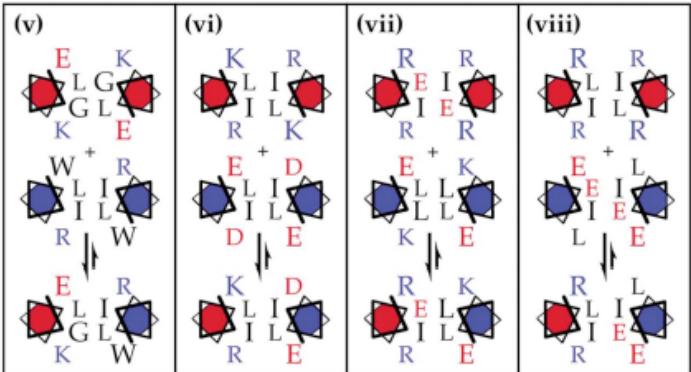


Accurate design of a symmetric homodimer using β -strand assembly

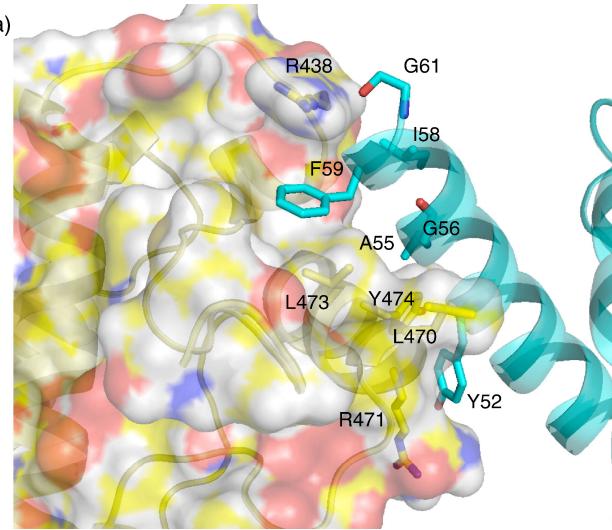
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Examples of success in computational interface design

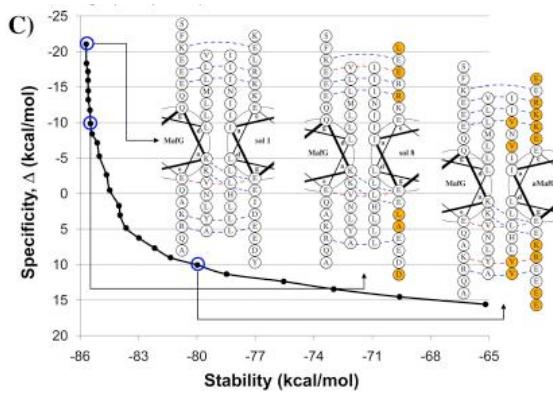
Homodimer sequences



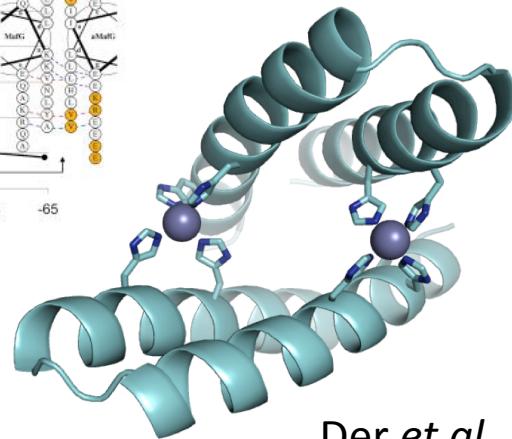
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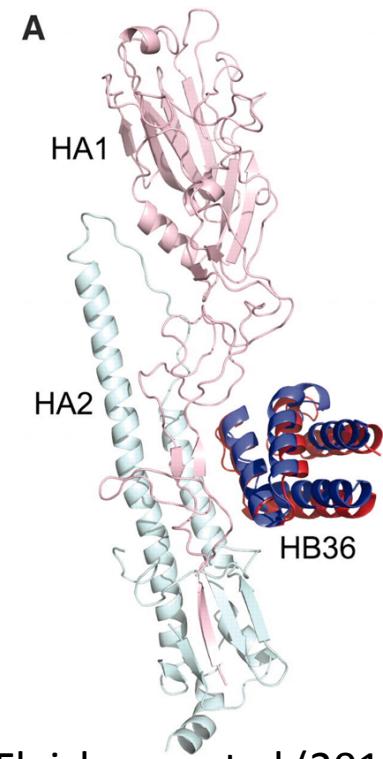
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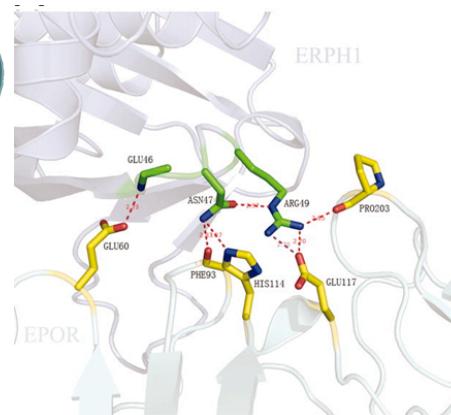
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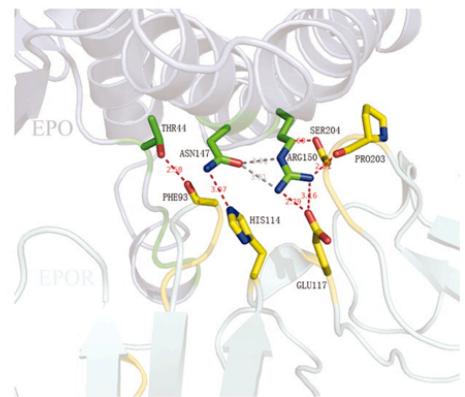
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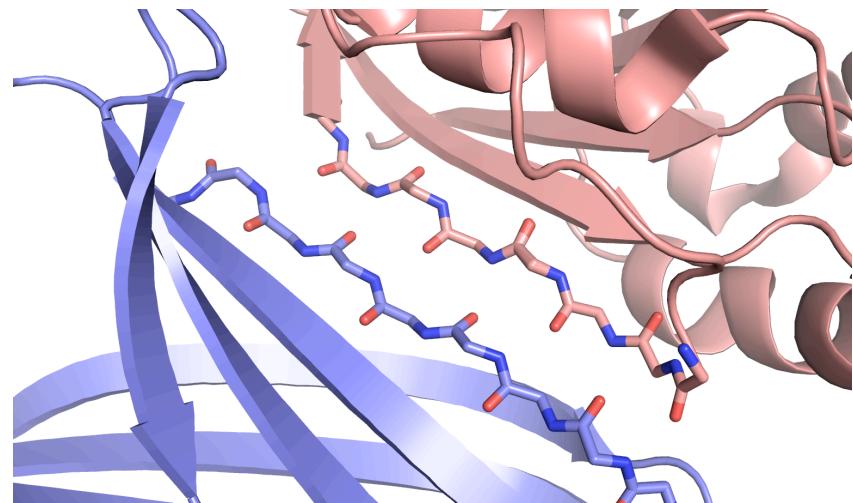
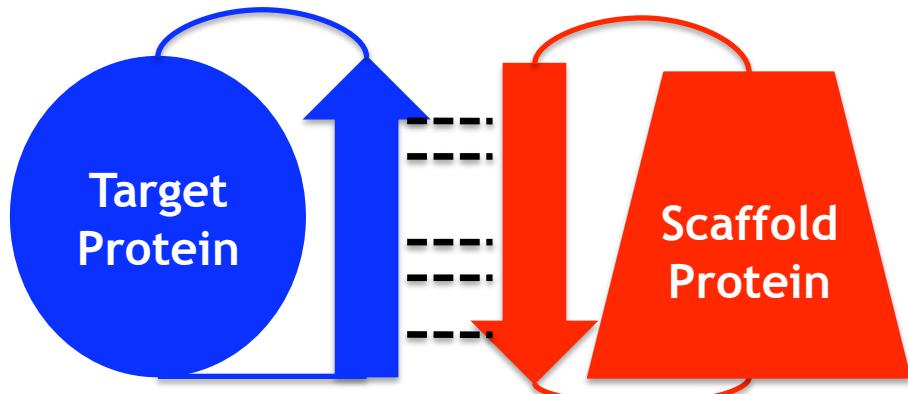
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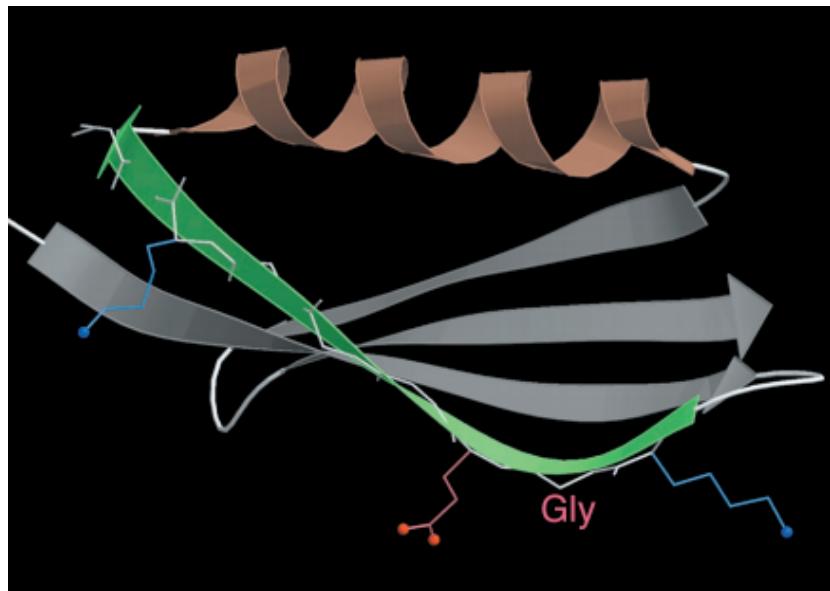


β -strand assembly as a new approach

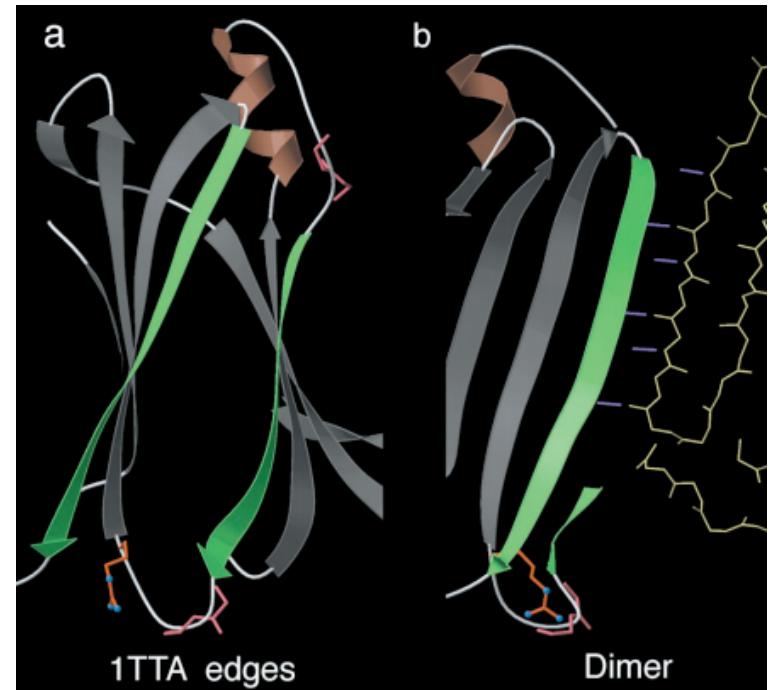


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β -strands are prone to assemble

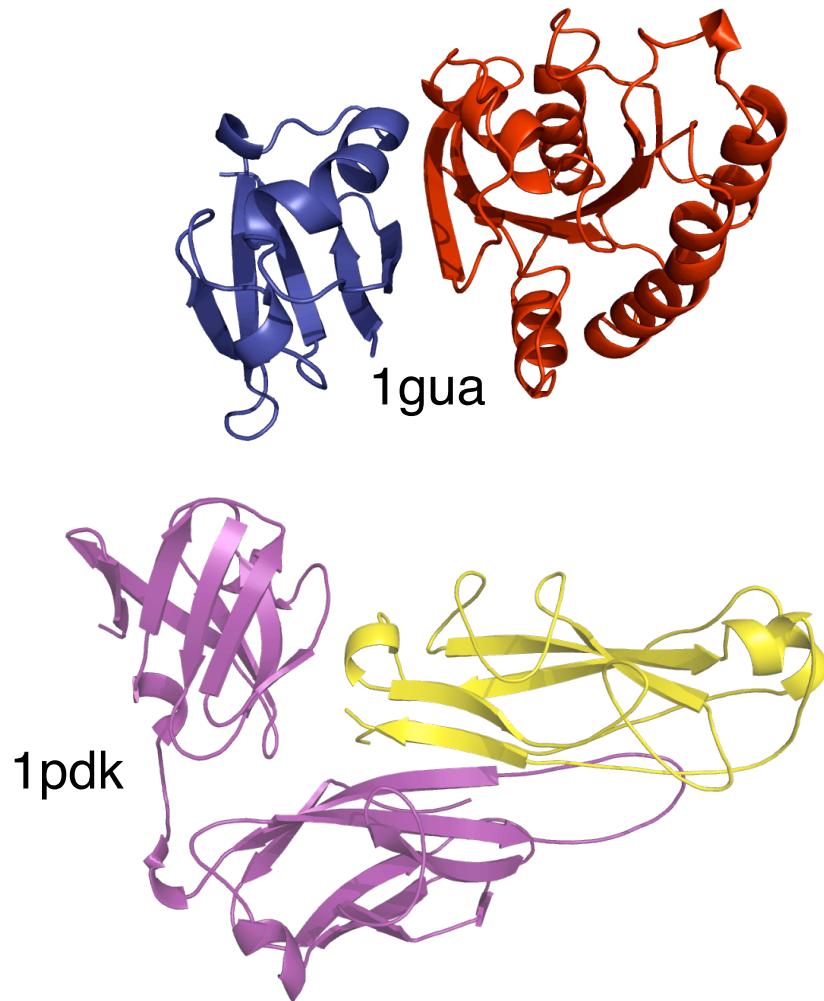


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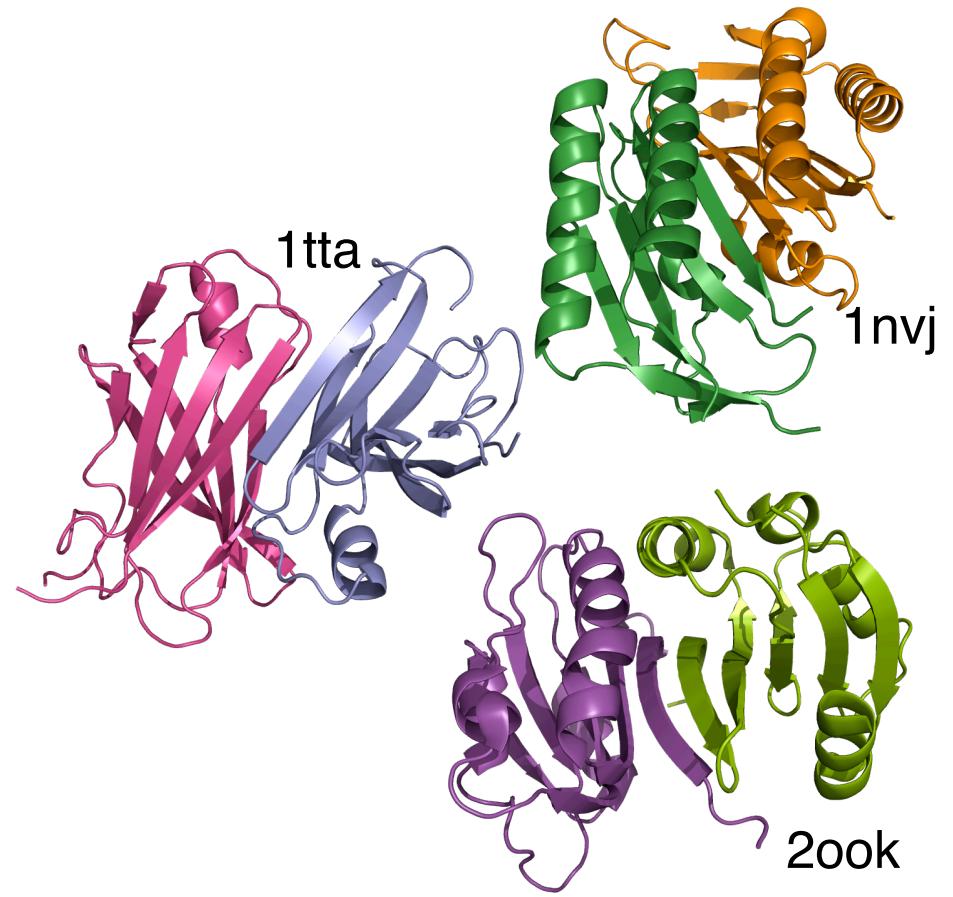


β -strands in natural interfaces

Heterodimers



Homodimers

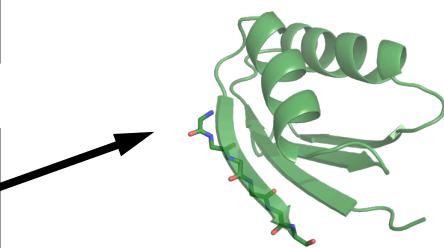


Goal: redesign a monomeric protein to form a symmetric homodimer via an intermolecular β -sheet

Search and design protocol

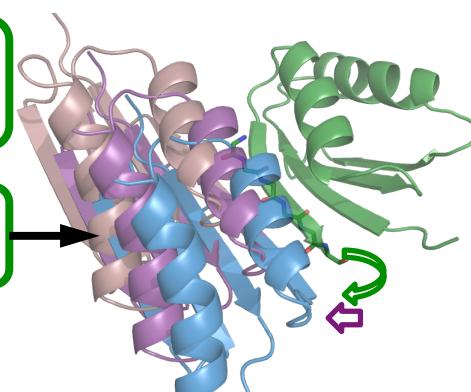
Search crystal structures (5500)

Find exposed β -strands (1100)



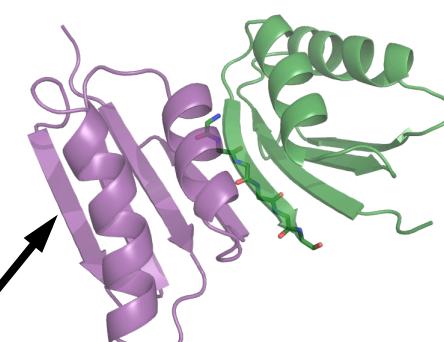
Roll to make anti-parallel β -strands

Translate along β -strand register



Eliminate clashing backbones (900)

Select designable monomers (200)

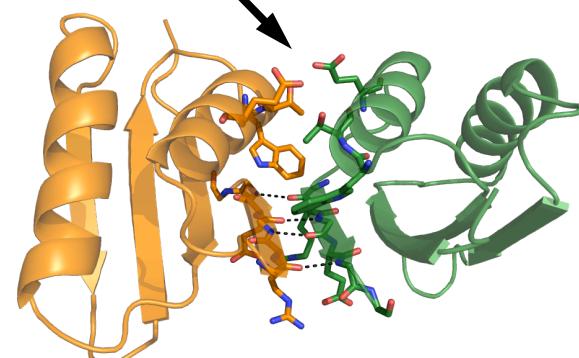
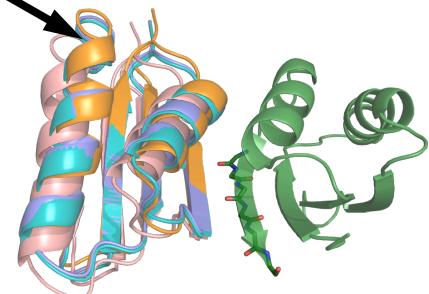


Starting structure for design

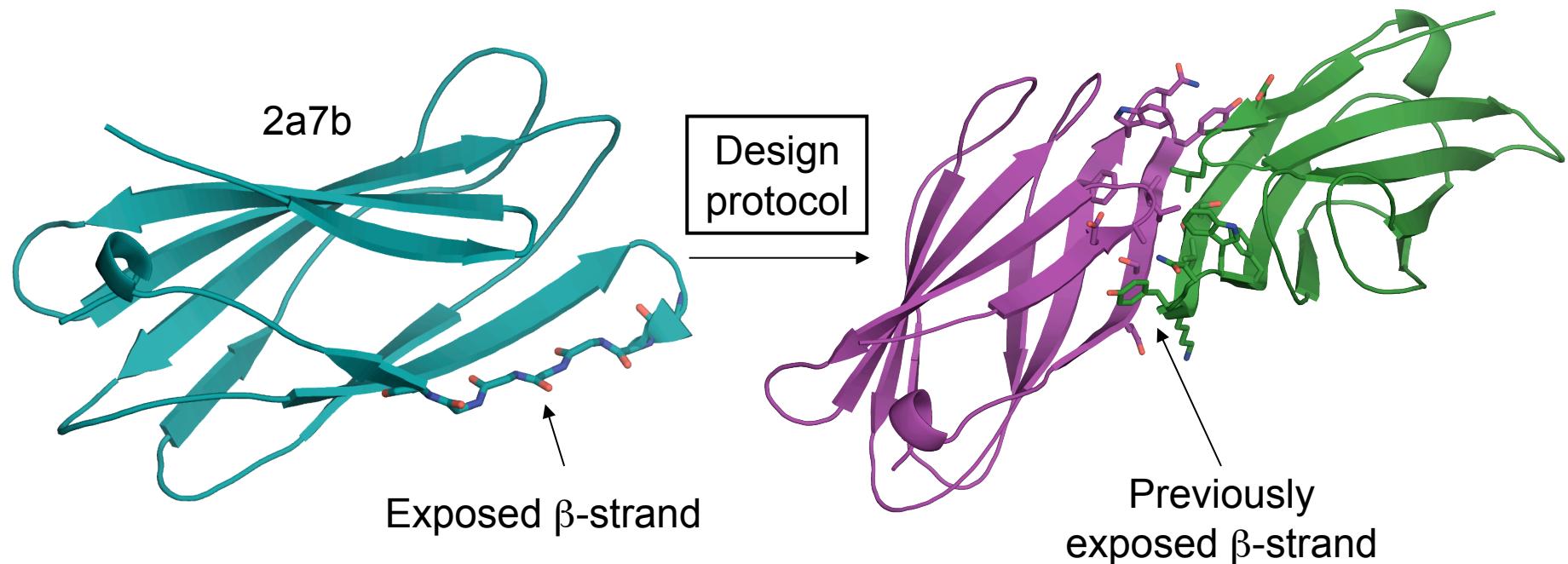
Symmetric rigid-body docking

Symmetric interface design/minimization

Output designed model



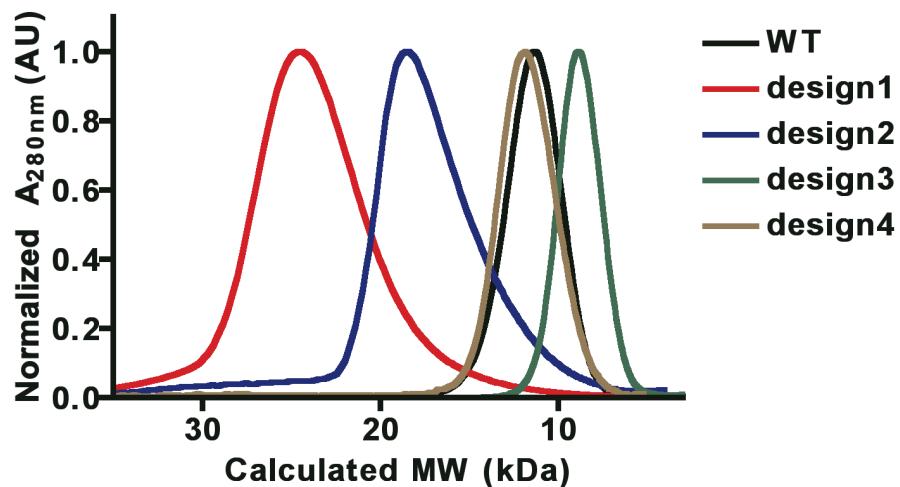
Choosing designs to express



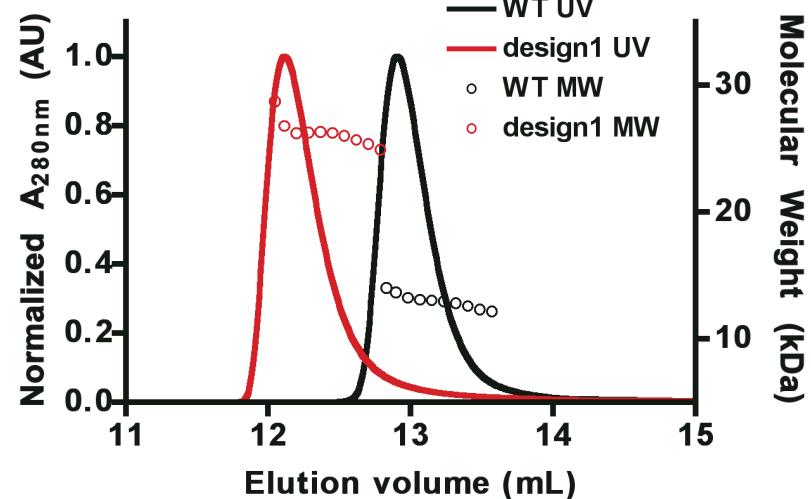
Model	# Mutations	E_{total}	ΔG_{bind}	# Buried Unsatisfied	Polar interface area %
wild type	0	-561	-13	8	48 %
design1	11	-597	-29	2	39 %
design2	7	-593	-30	0	31 %
design3	5	-596	-32	0	54 %
design4	9	-593	-27	0	46 %

Molecular weight in solution

Size exclusion chromatography



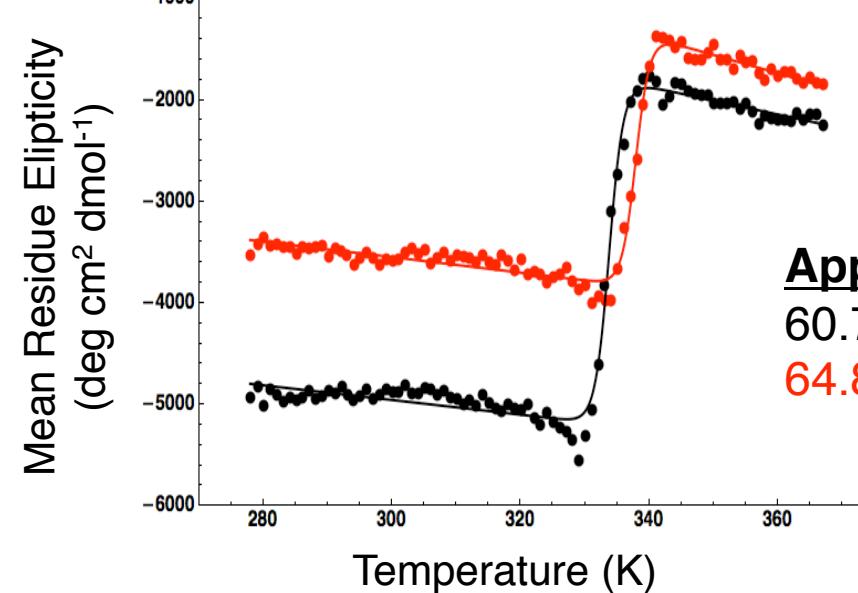
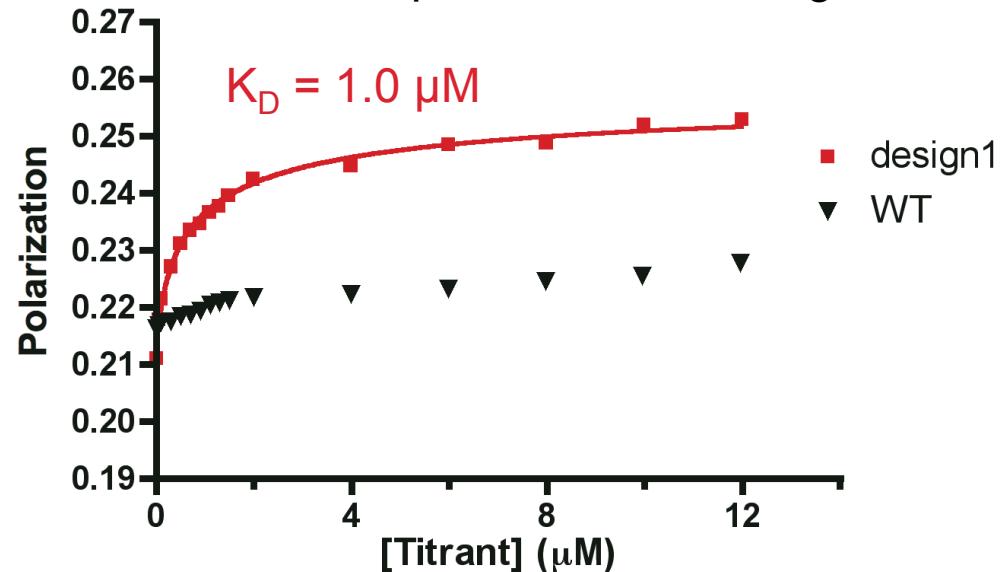
Size exclusion chromatography /
Multi-angle light scattering



Protein	Monomer MW (kDa)	Size Exclusion MW (kDa)
wild type	13.4	11
design1	13.4	26
design2	13.5	21
design3	13.5	10
design4	13.4	14

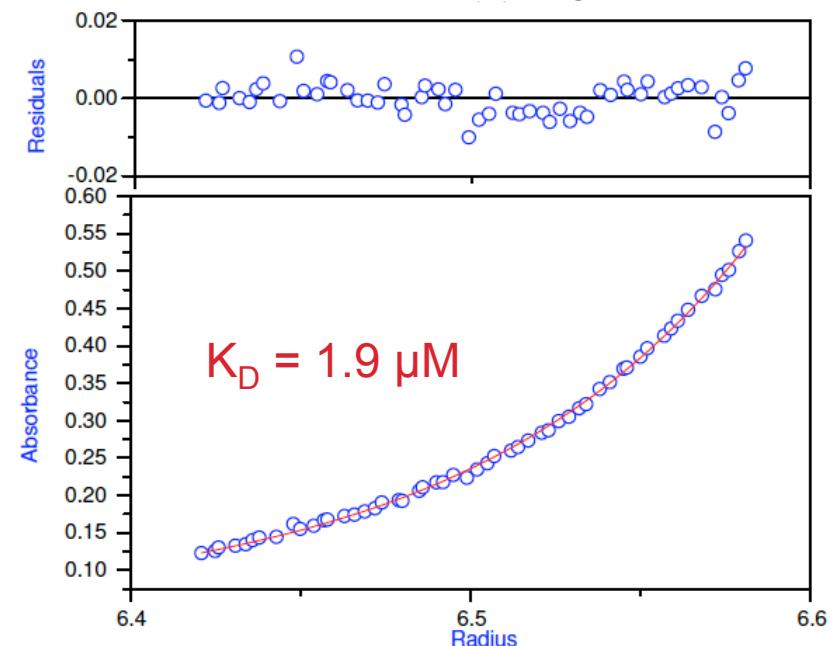
design1 stability and self affinity

Fluorescence polarization of design1

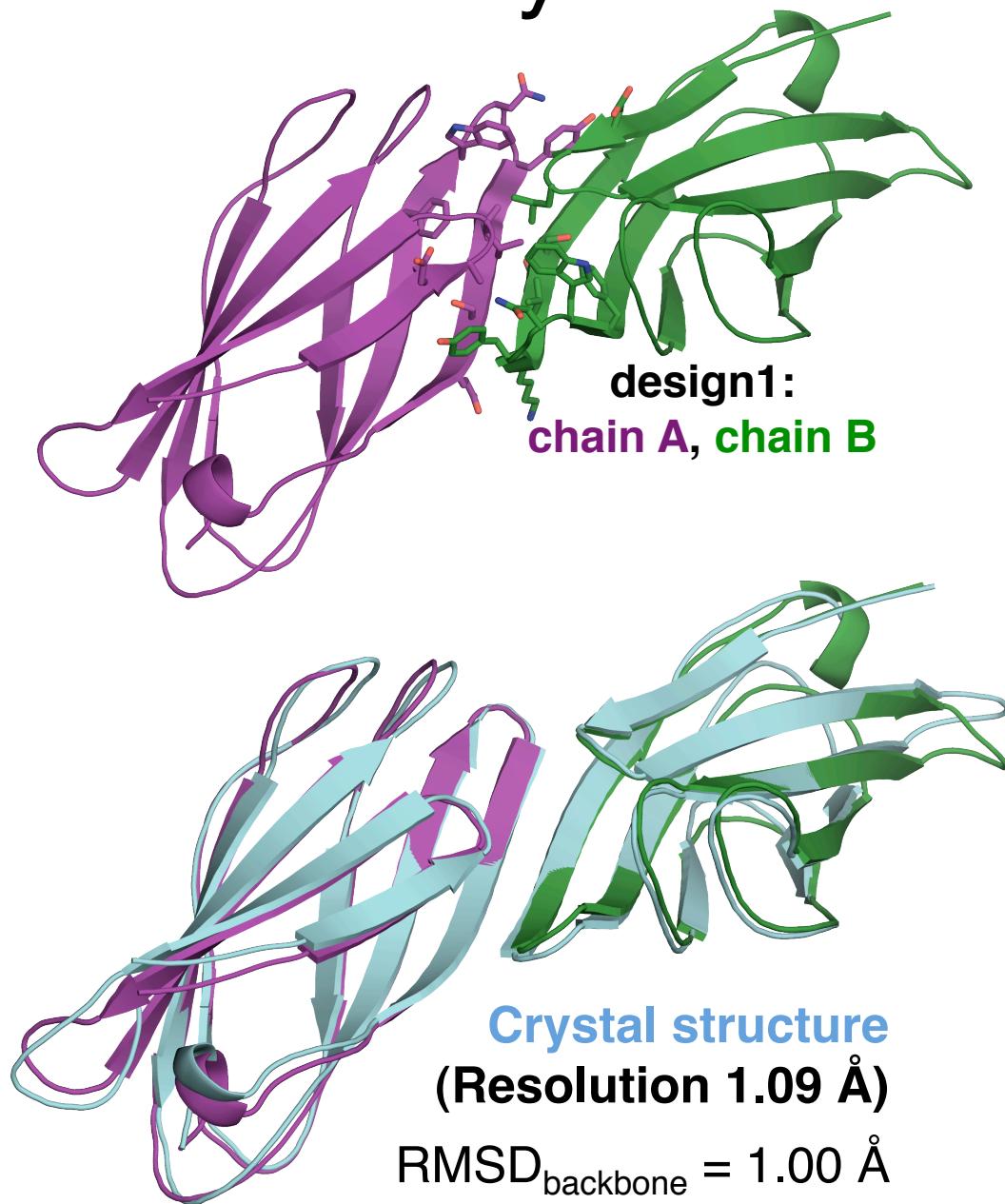


Apparent Tm
60.7°C WT
64.8°C design1

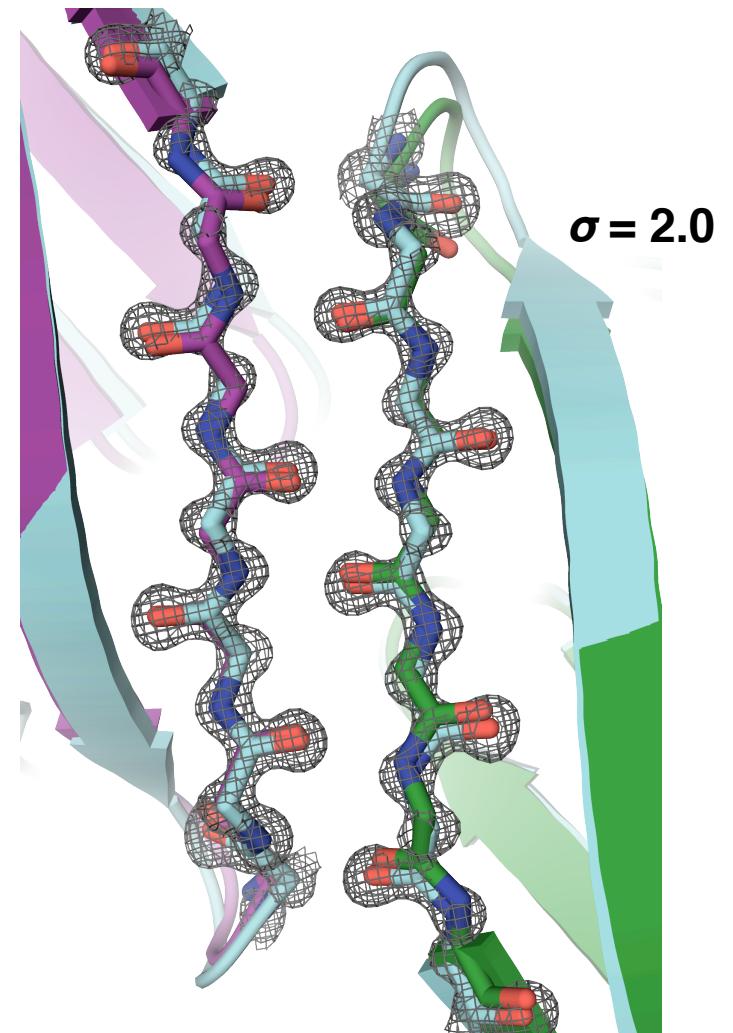
AUC of design1



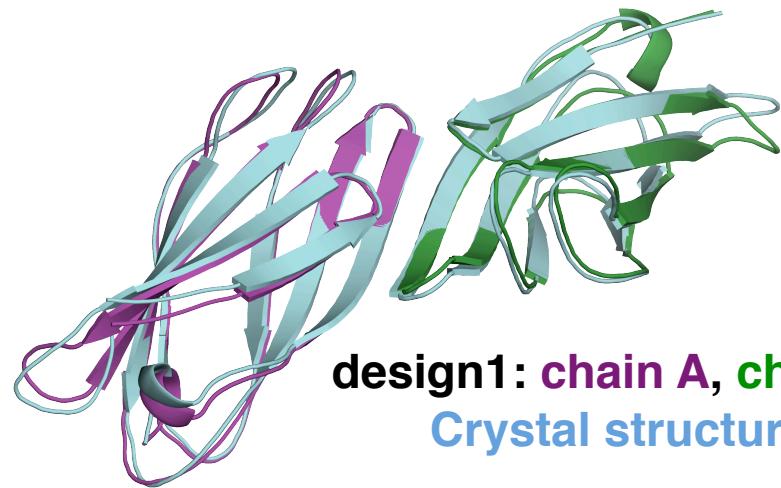
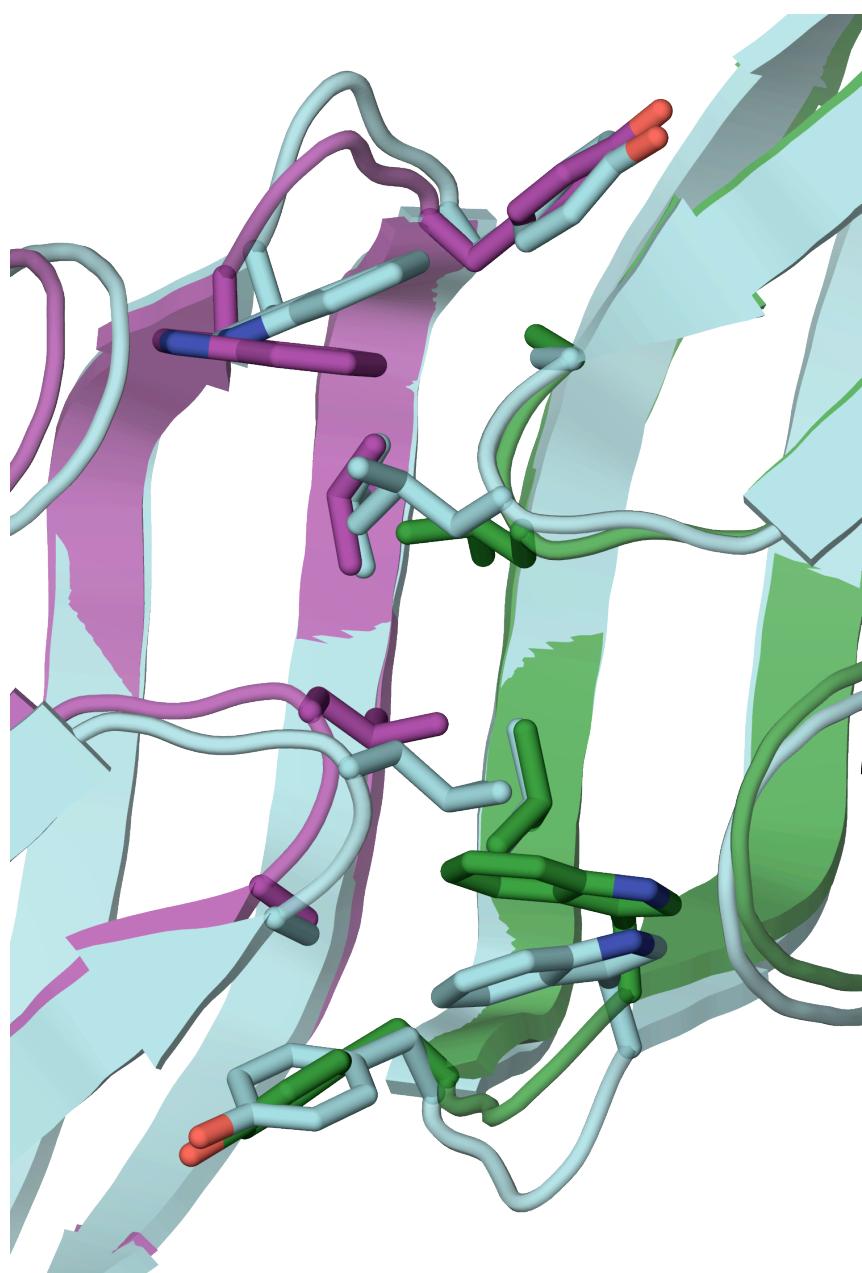
Model to crystal structure comparison



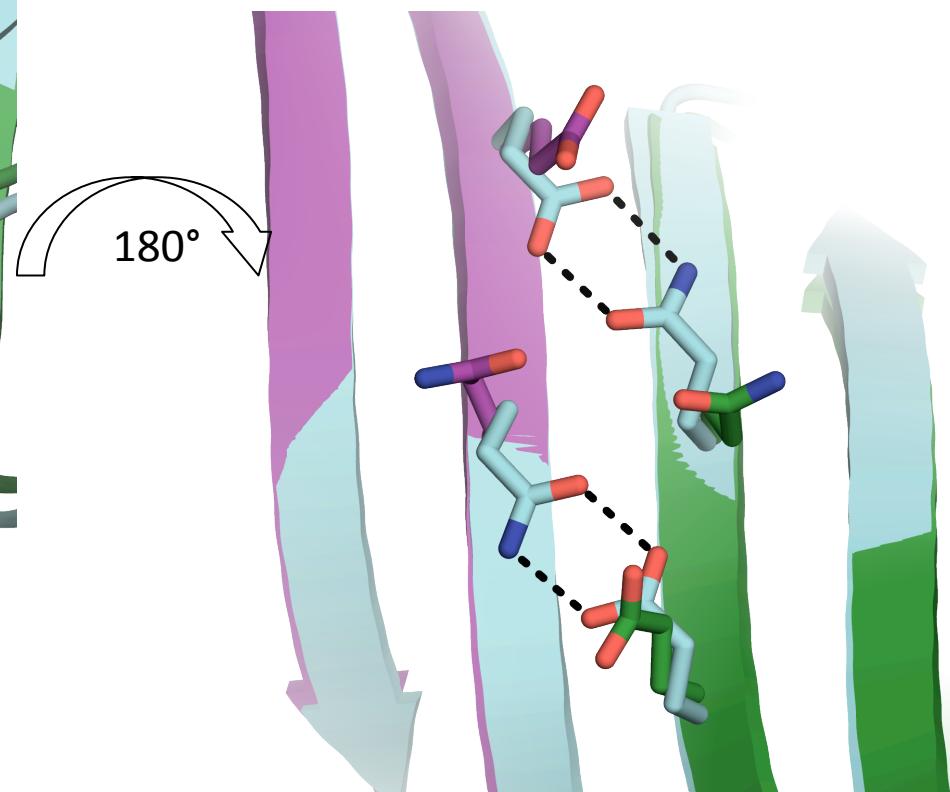
Designed β -strand pairing is preserved



A closer look at the interface

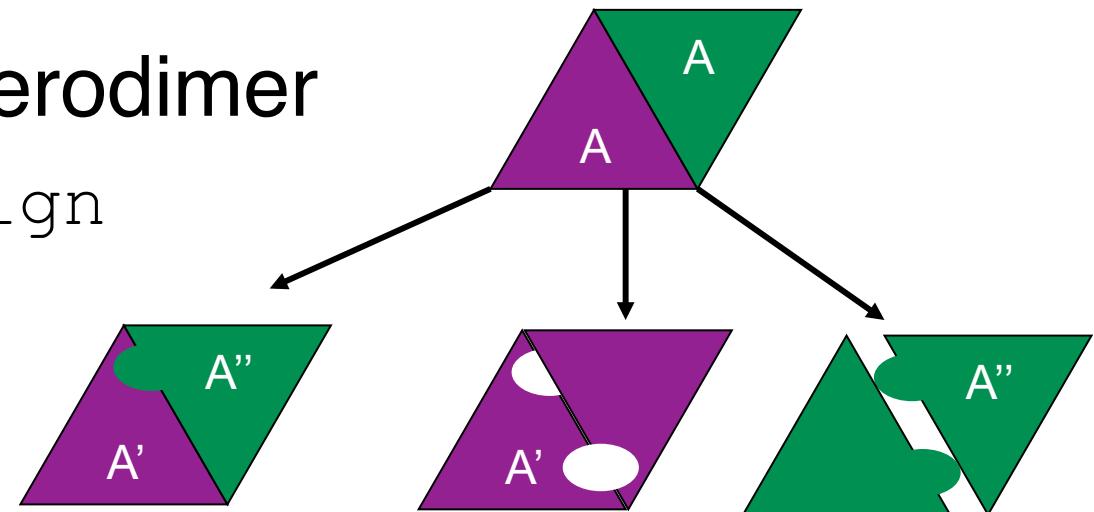
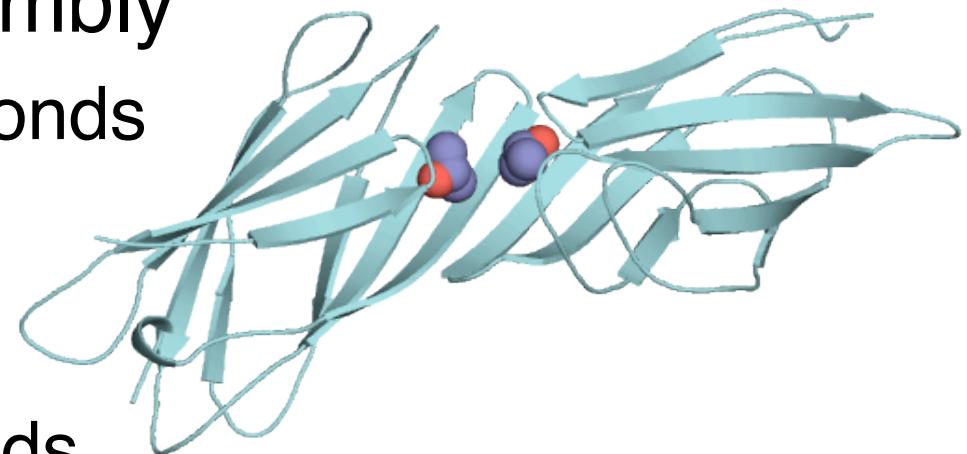


design1: chain A, chain B
Crystal structure



What we learned & looking forward

- Fine control over assembly
 - Can get packing + H-bonds
 - Create new scaffolds
- Pitfalls
 - Hard to find open strands
 - Aggregation
- Homodimer to heterodimer
 - MultiStateDesign



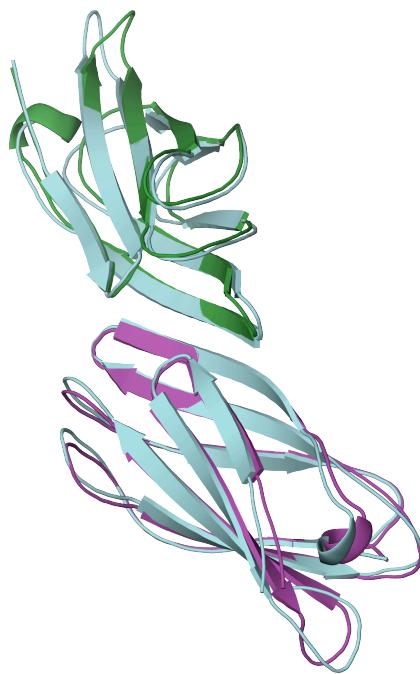
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What we learned

- β -strand pairing helps orient interface
- Can design hydrophobic packing well
- Problems remain designing H-bonds



Protein	Design character	Forms homodimer?	Structure known?
wild type	none	nope	yes
design1	Hydrophobic packing	YES!	YES!
design2	Hydrophobic packing	Probably!	not enough protein
design3	Hydrogen bonds abound	nope	nah, boring
design4	Hydrogen bonds everywhere	nope	nope

Why does WT not homodimerize?

