

Supplementary Information:

Revealing the structures of megadalton-scale DNA complexes with nucleotide resolution

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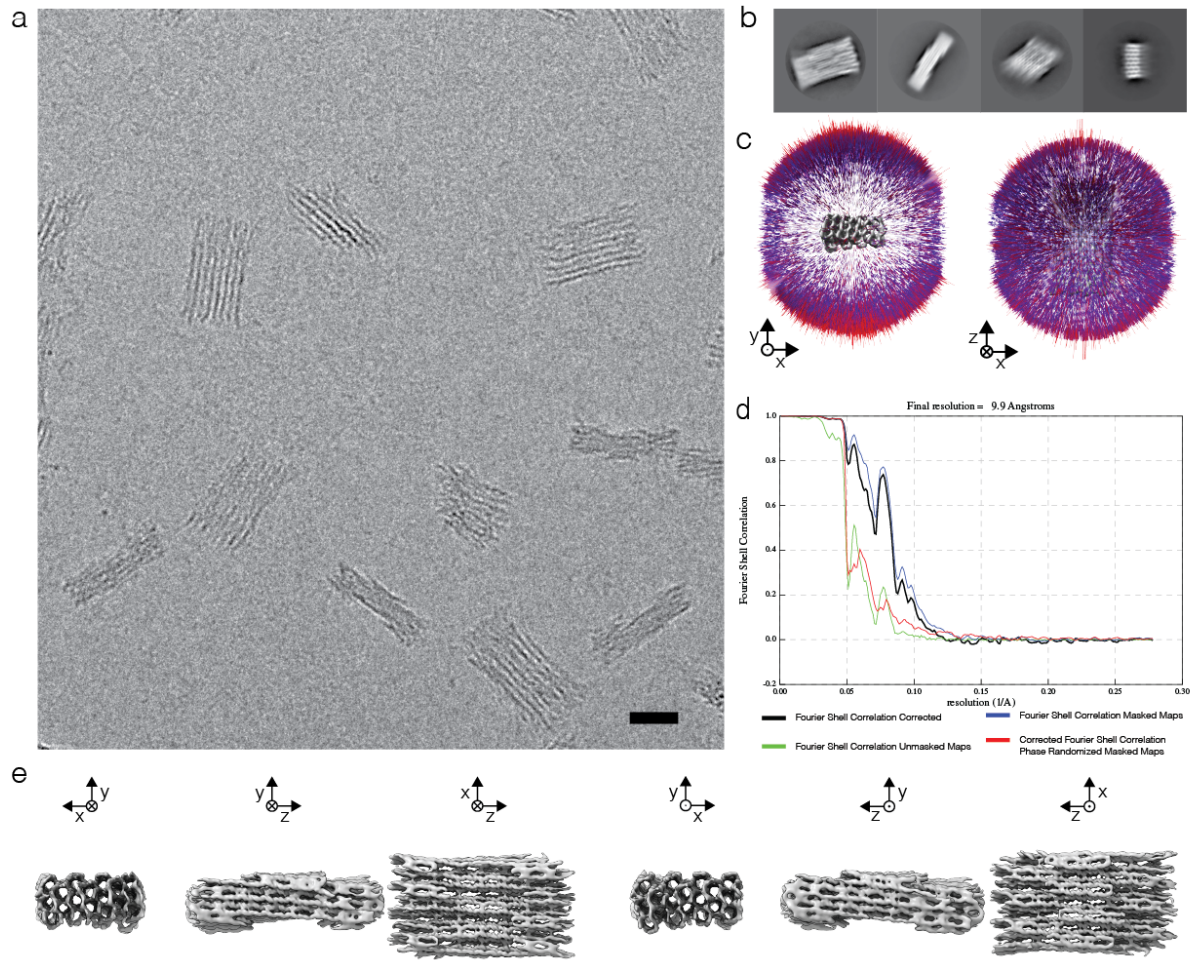
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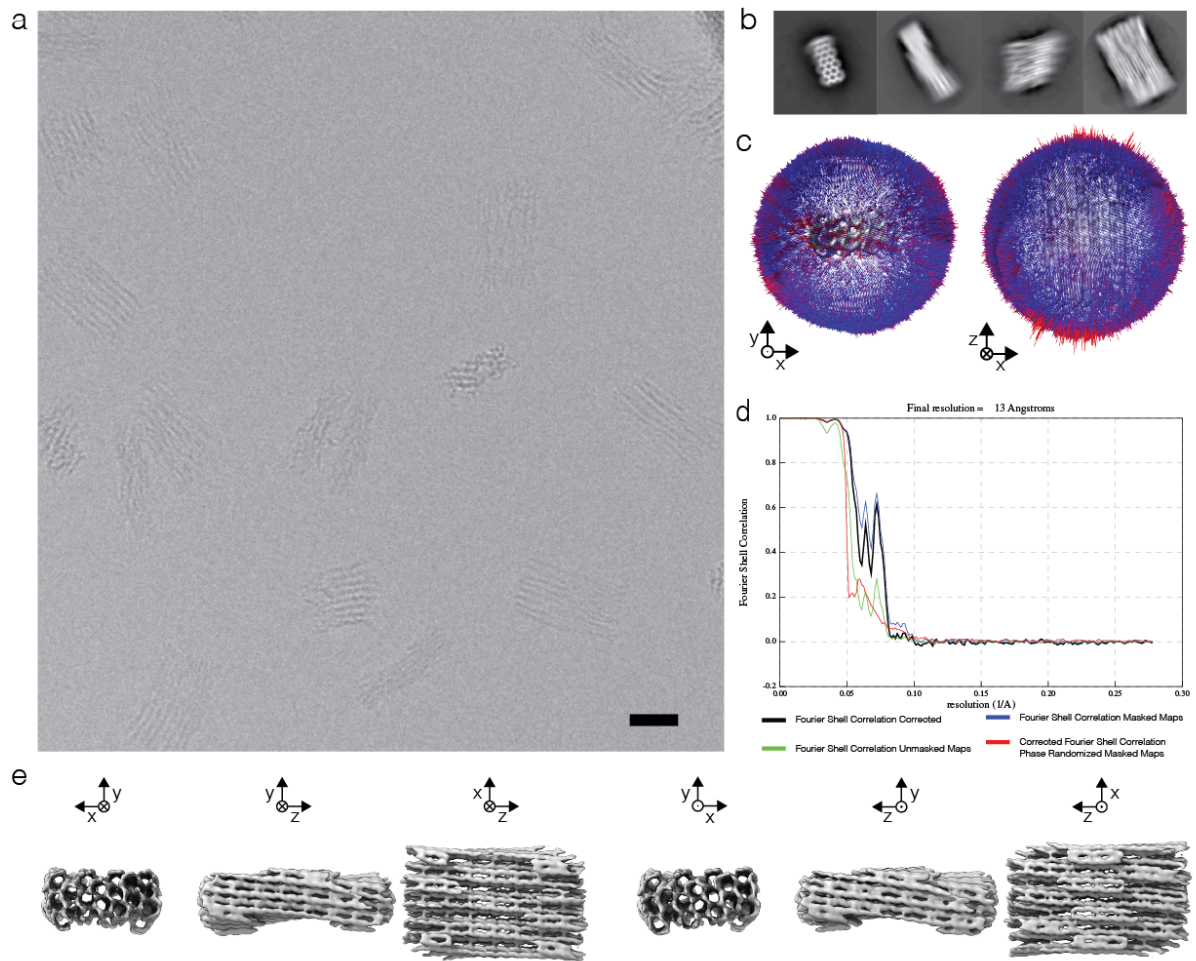
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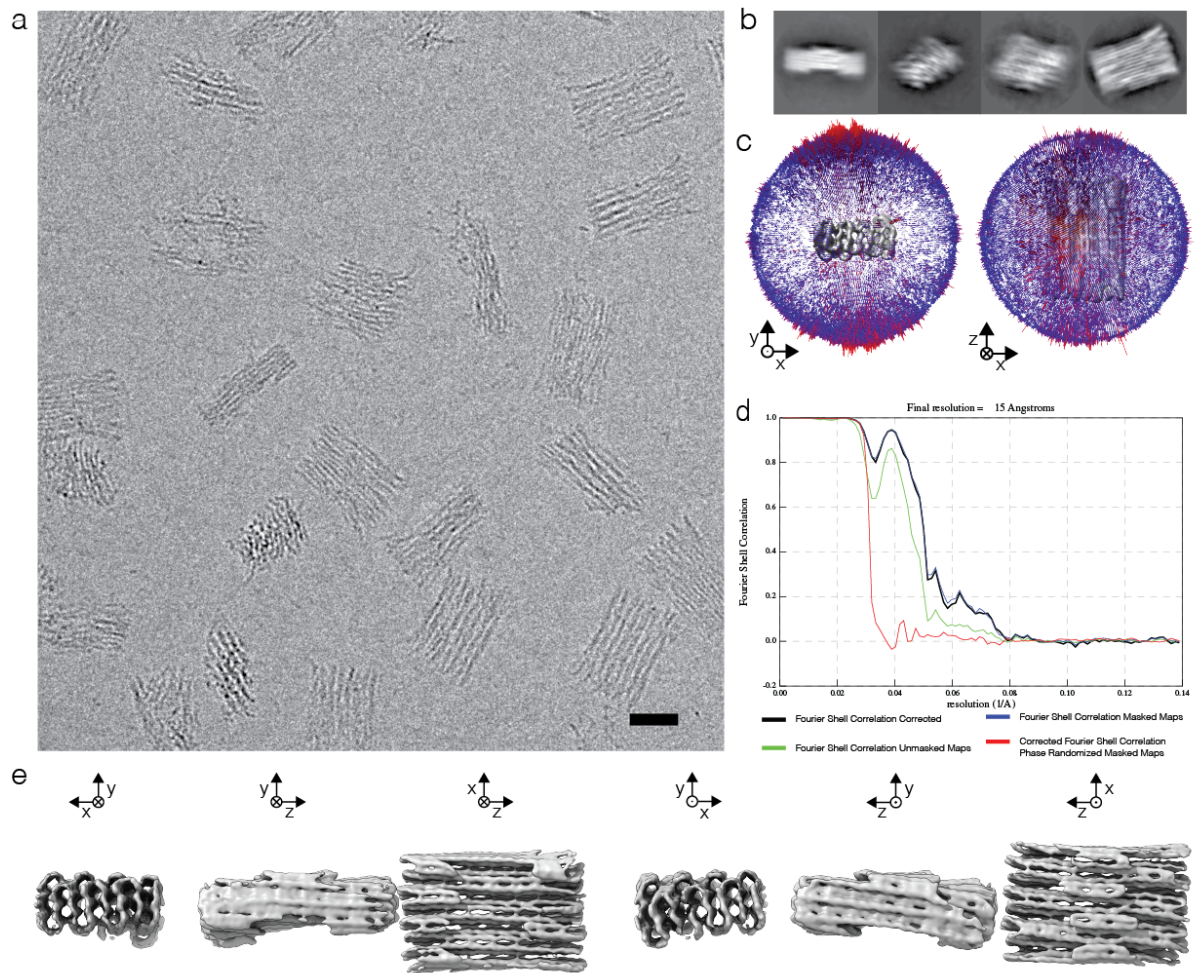
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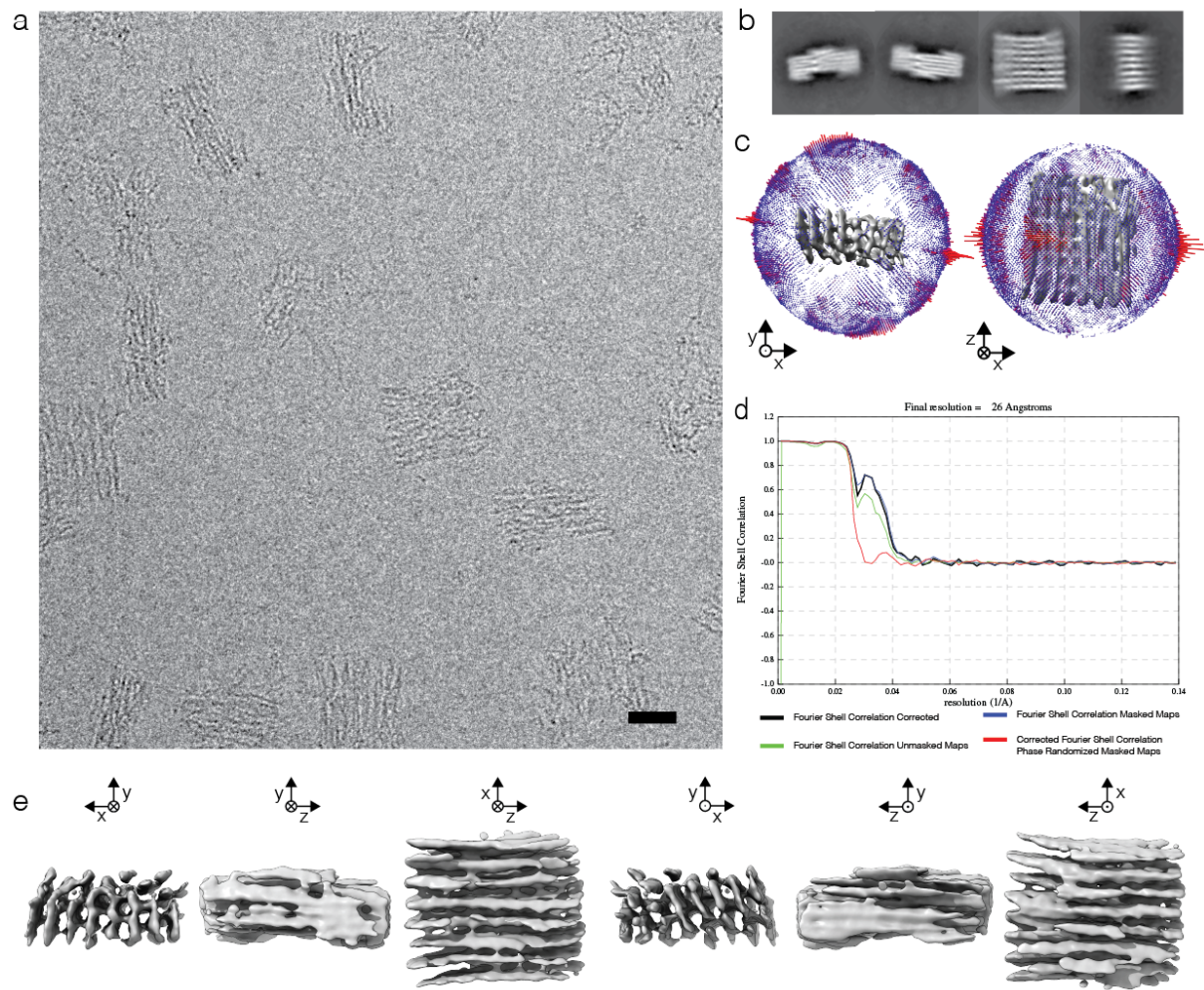
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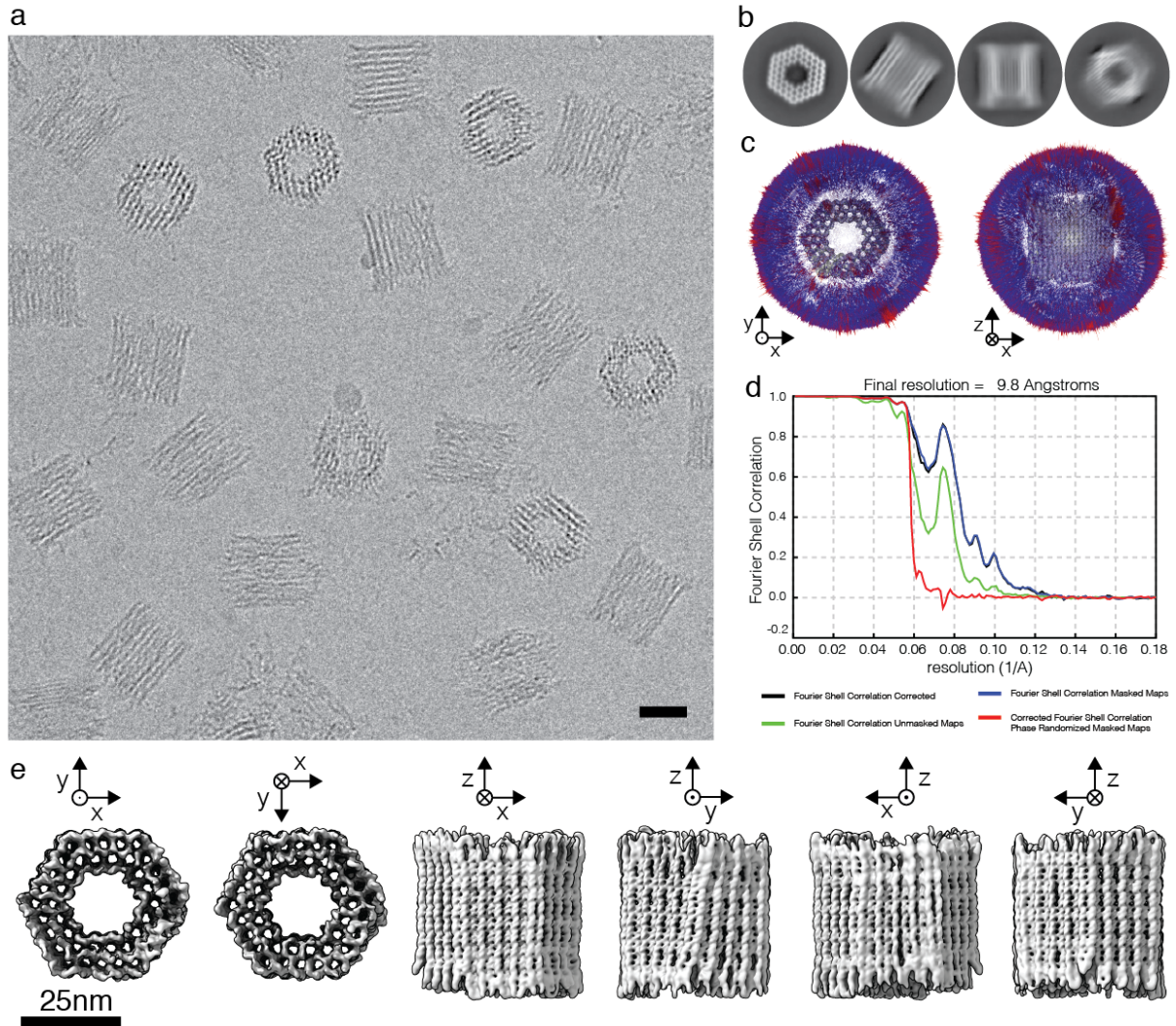
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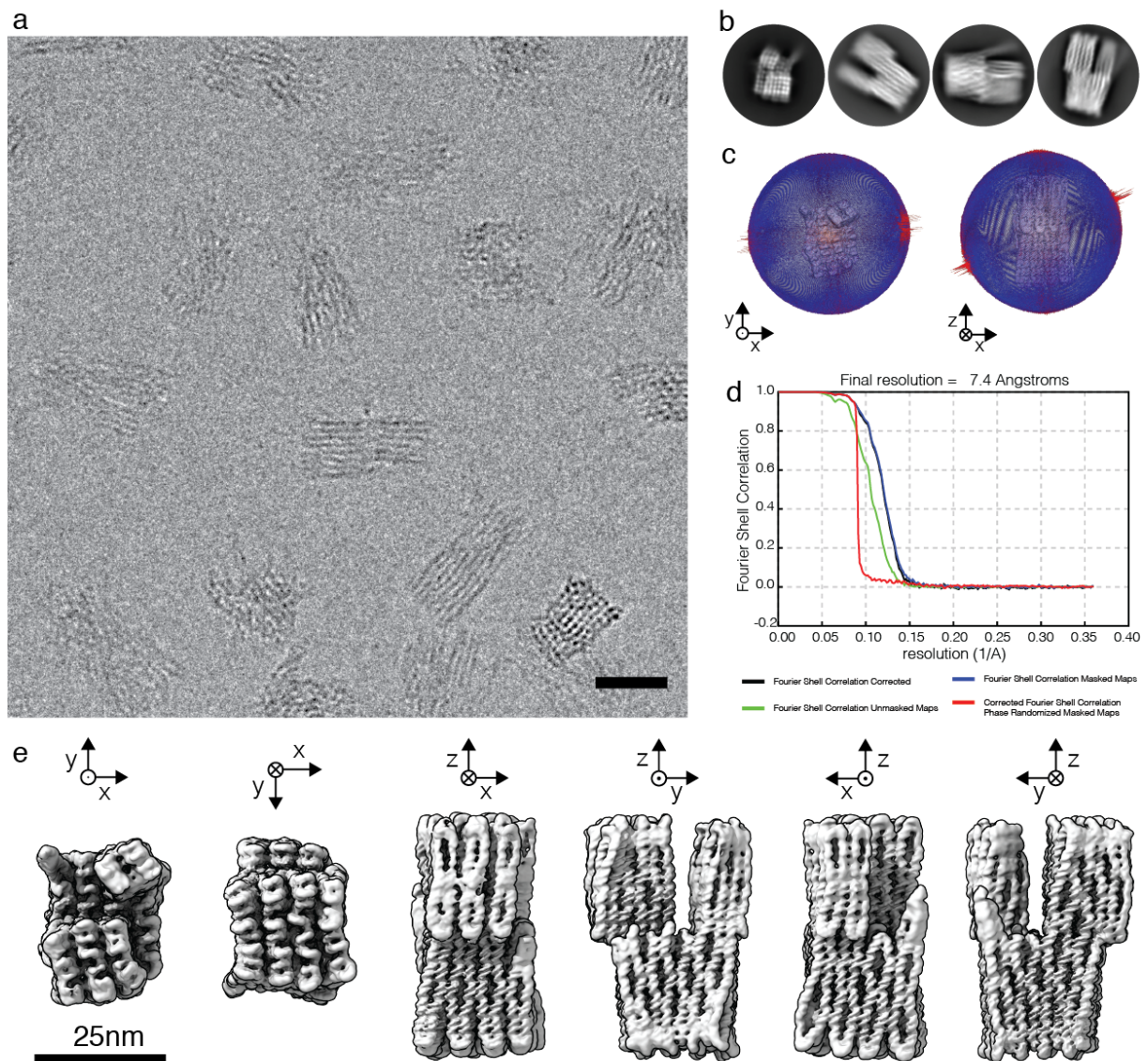
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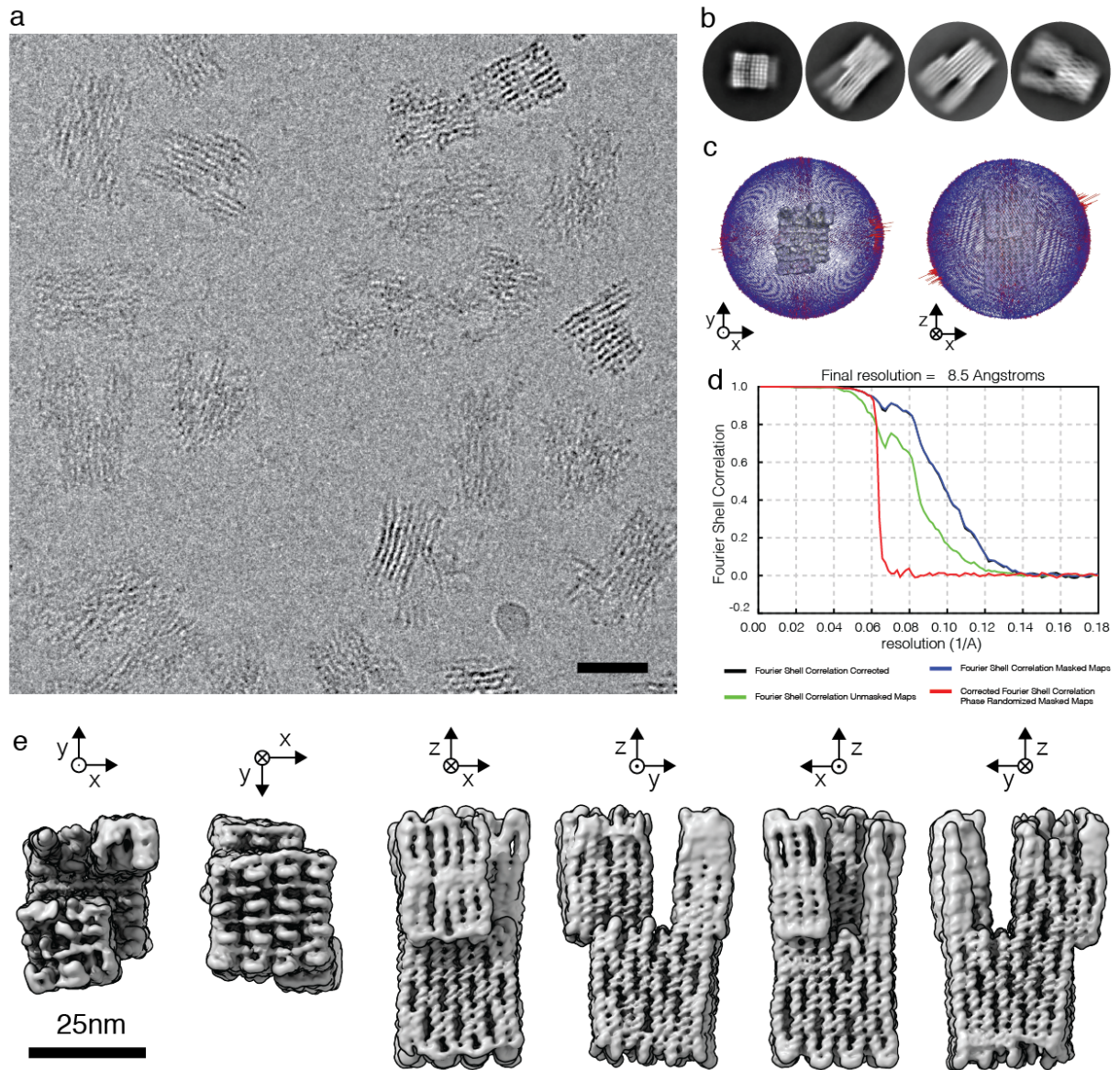
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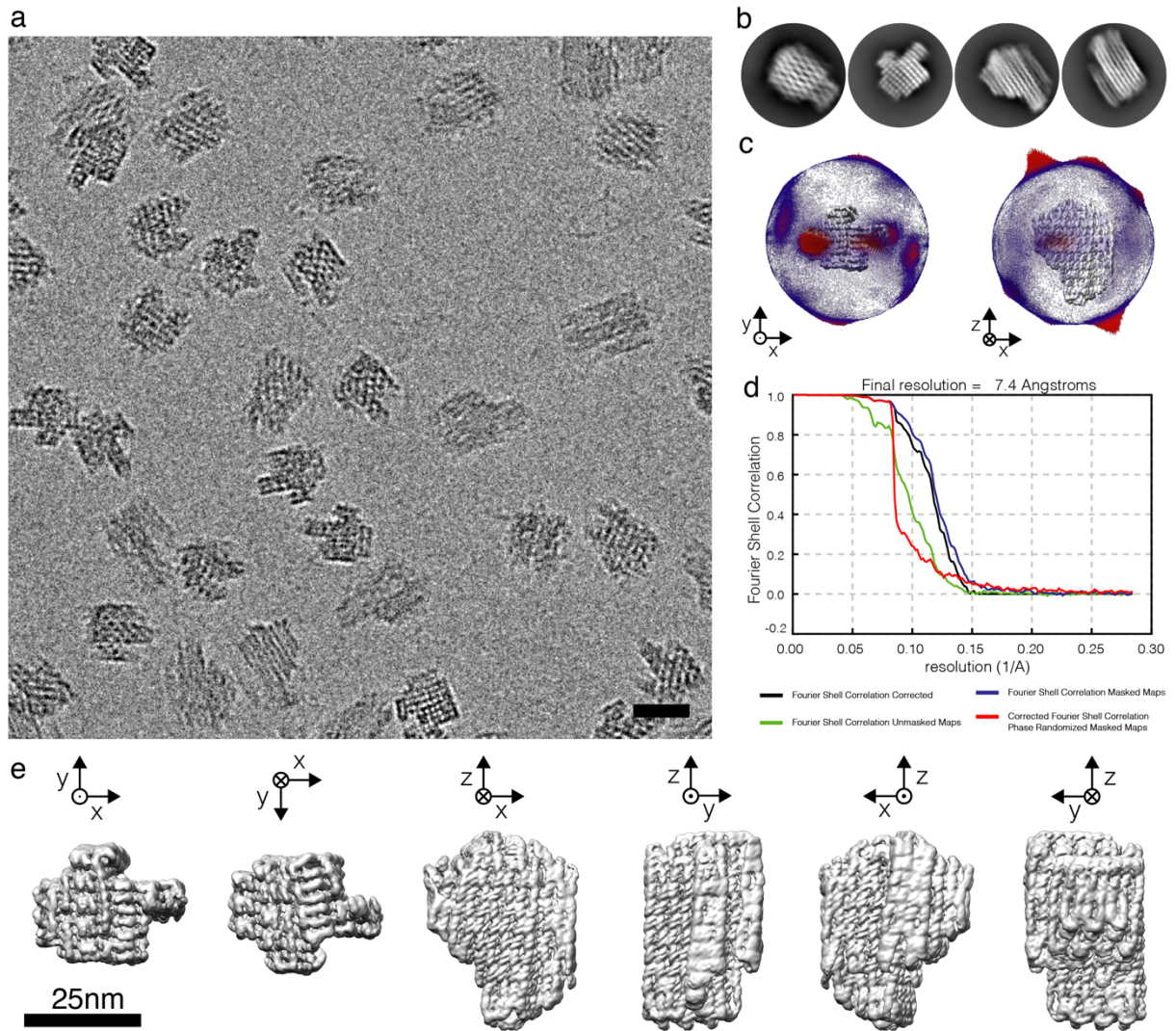
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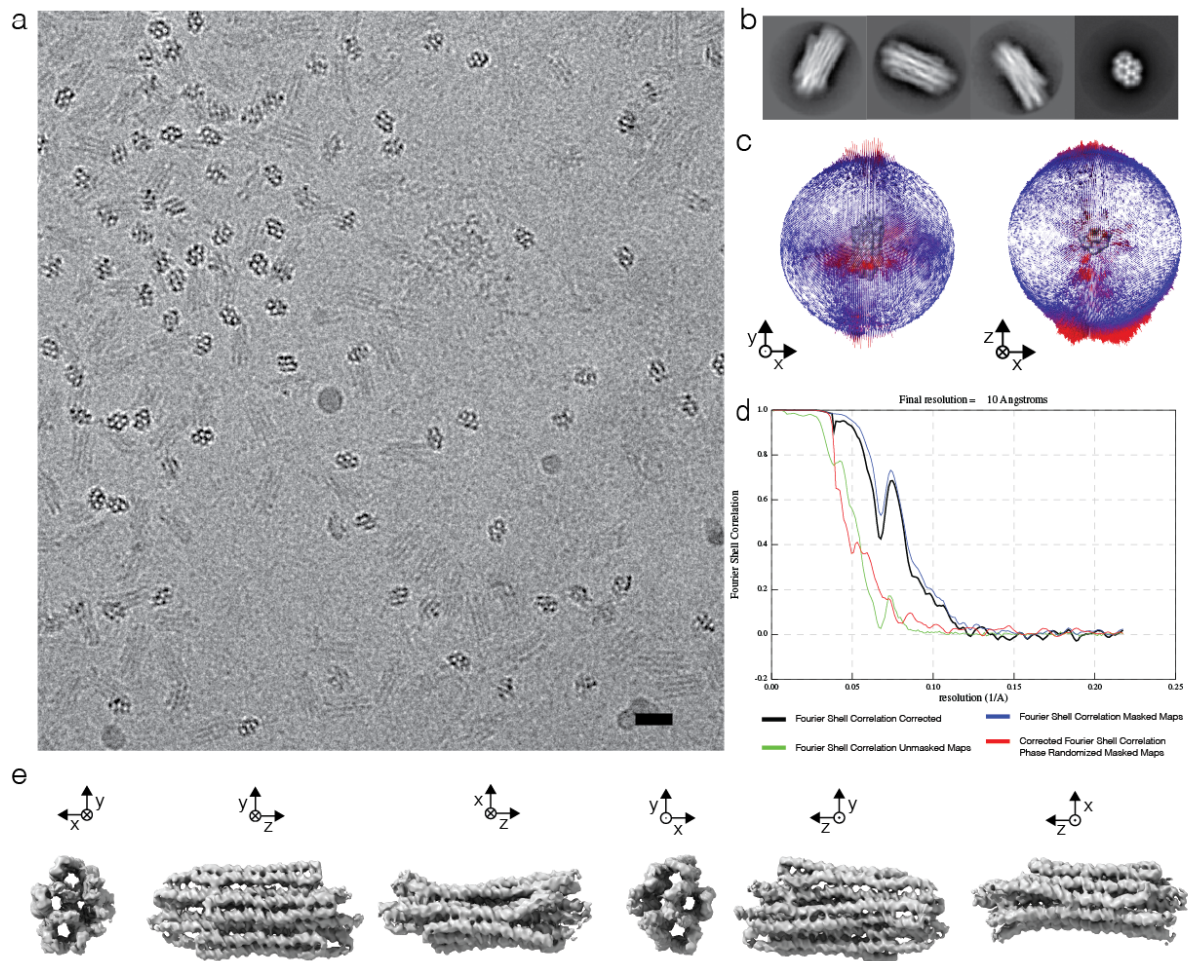
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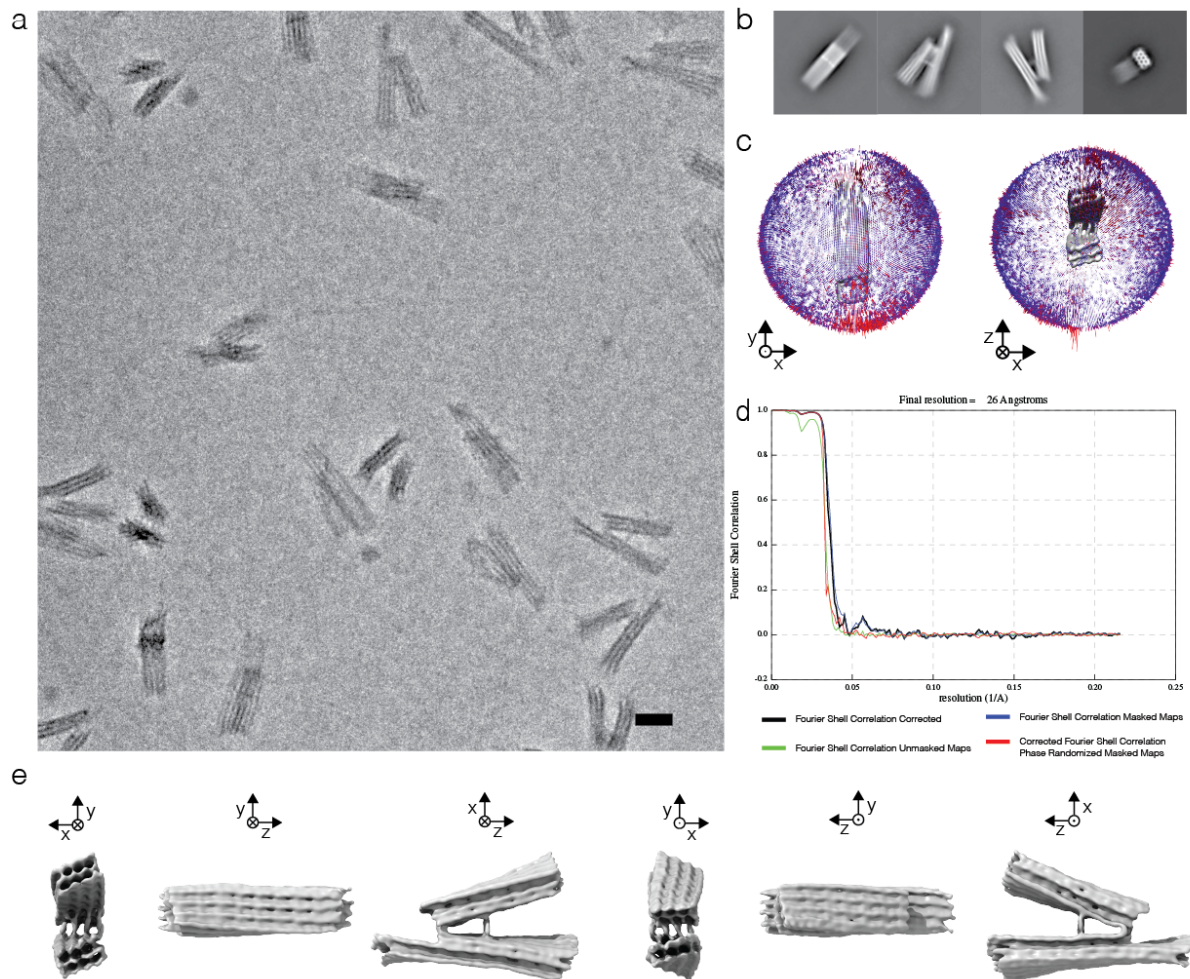
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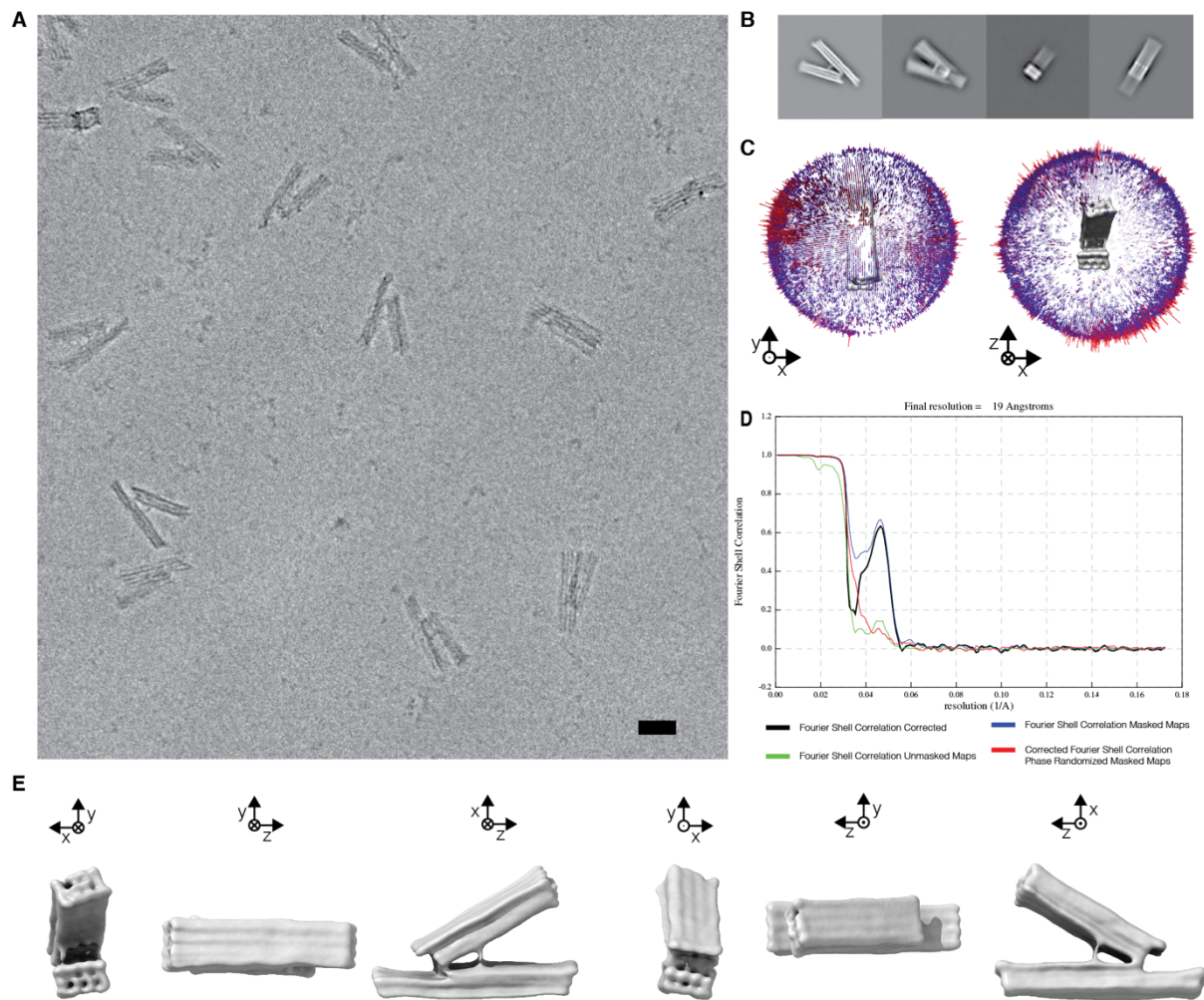
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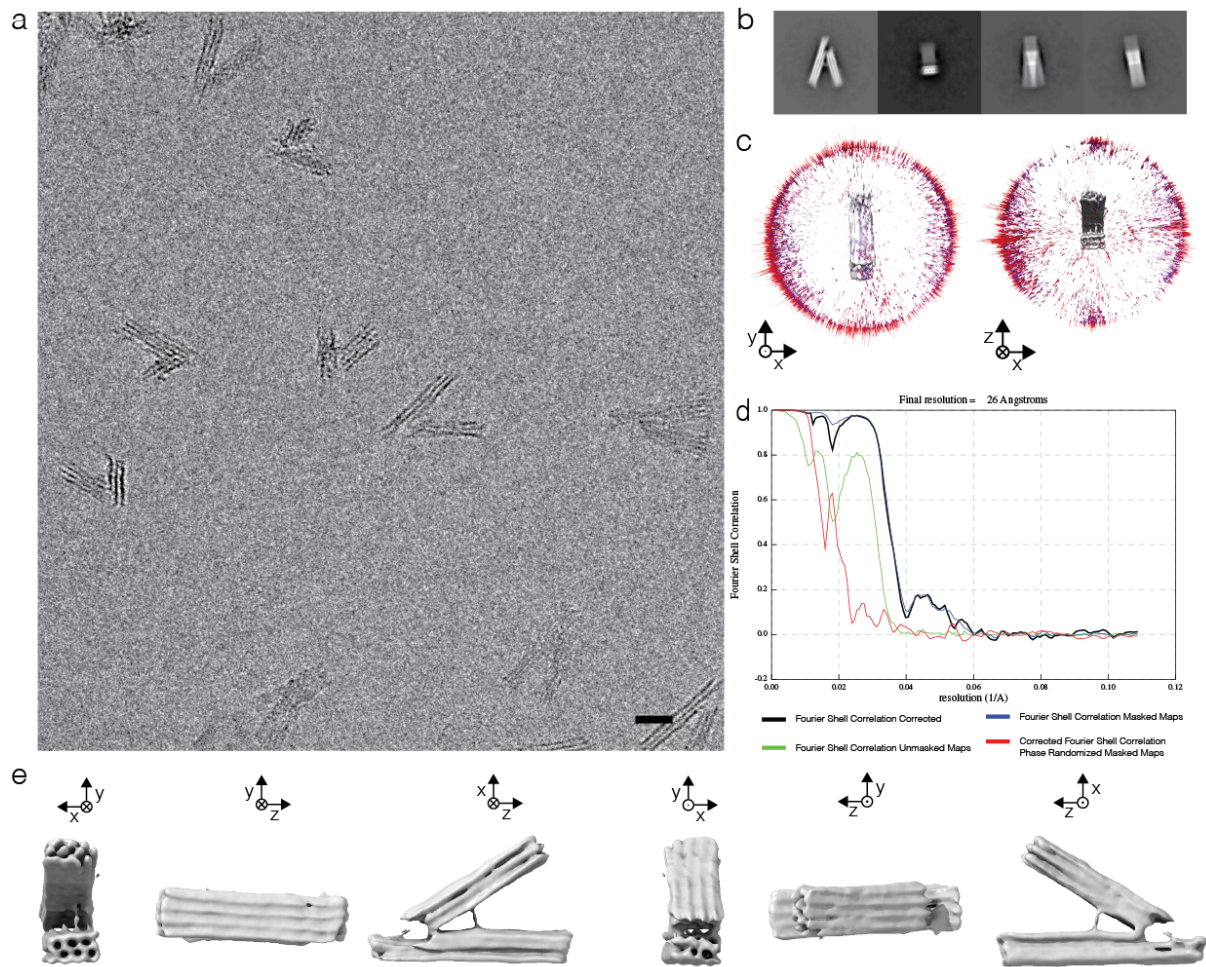
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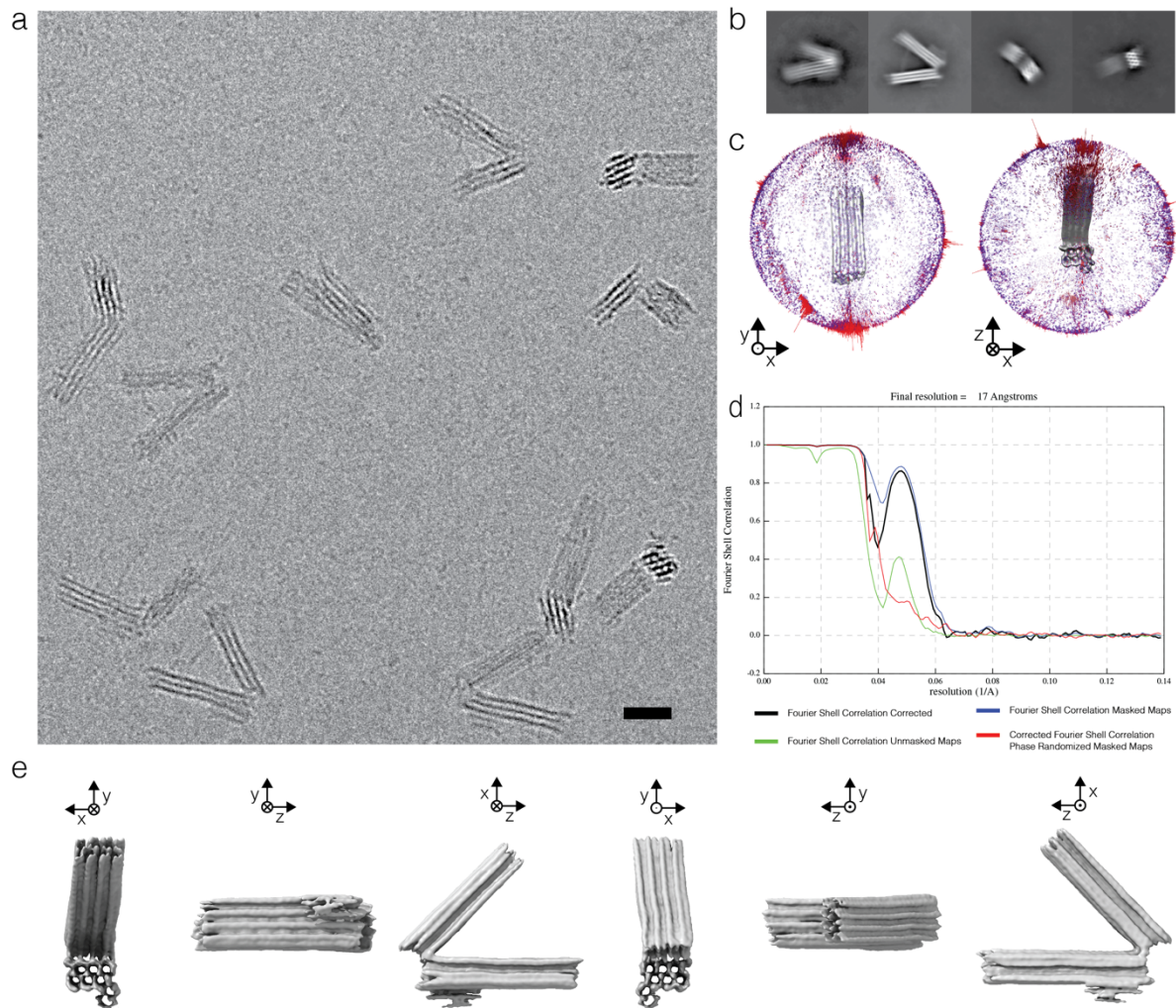
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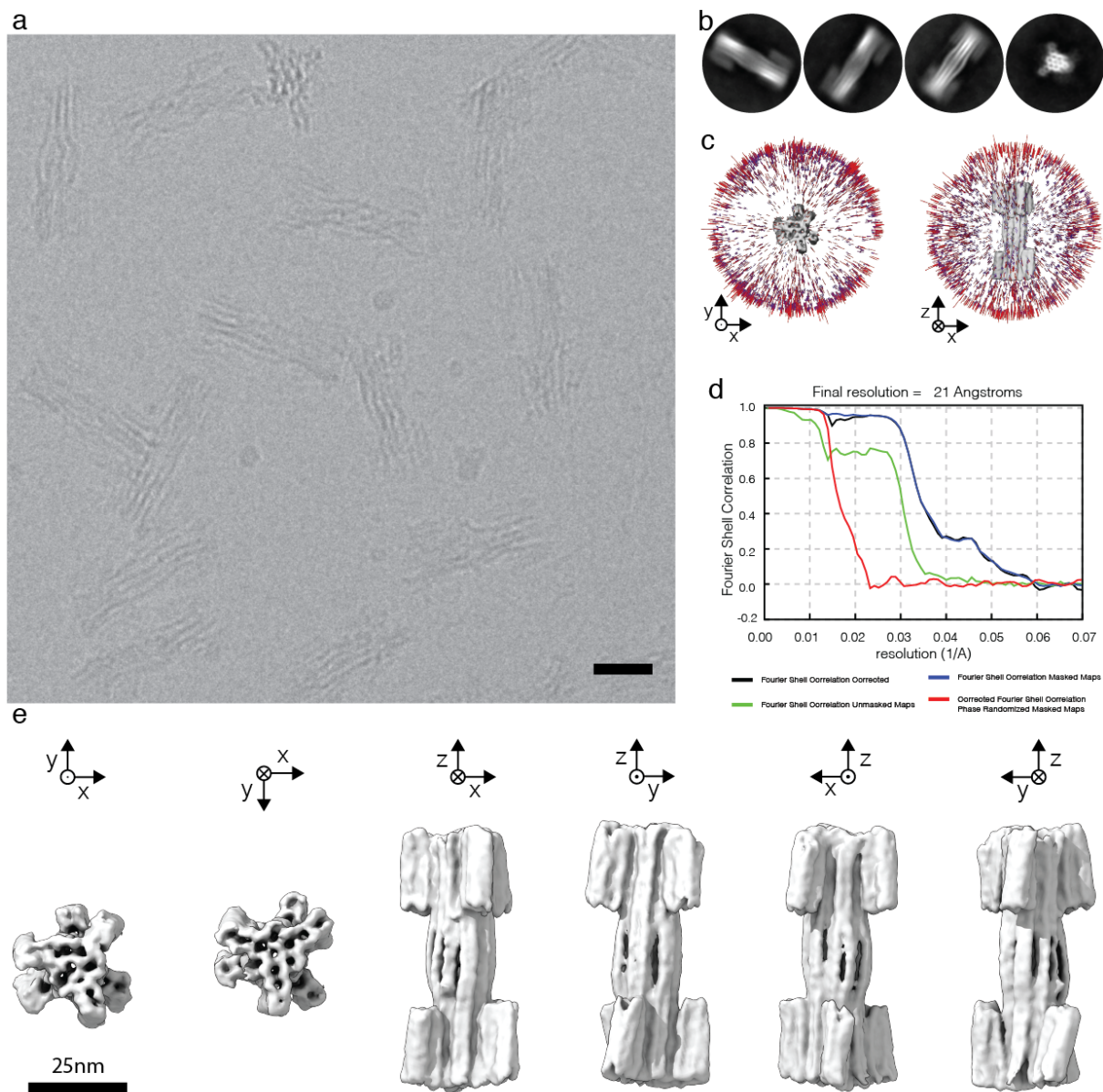
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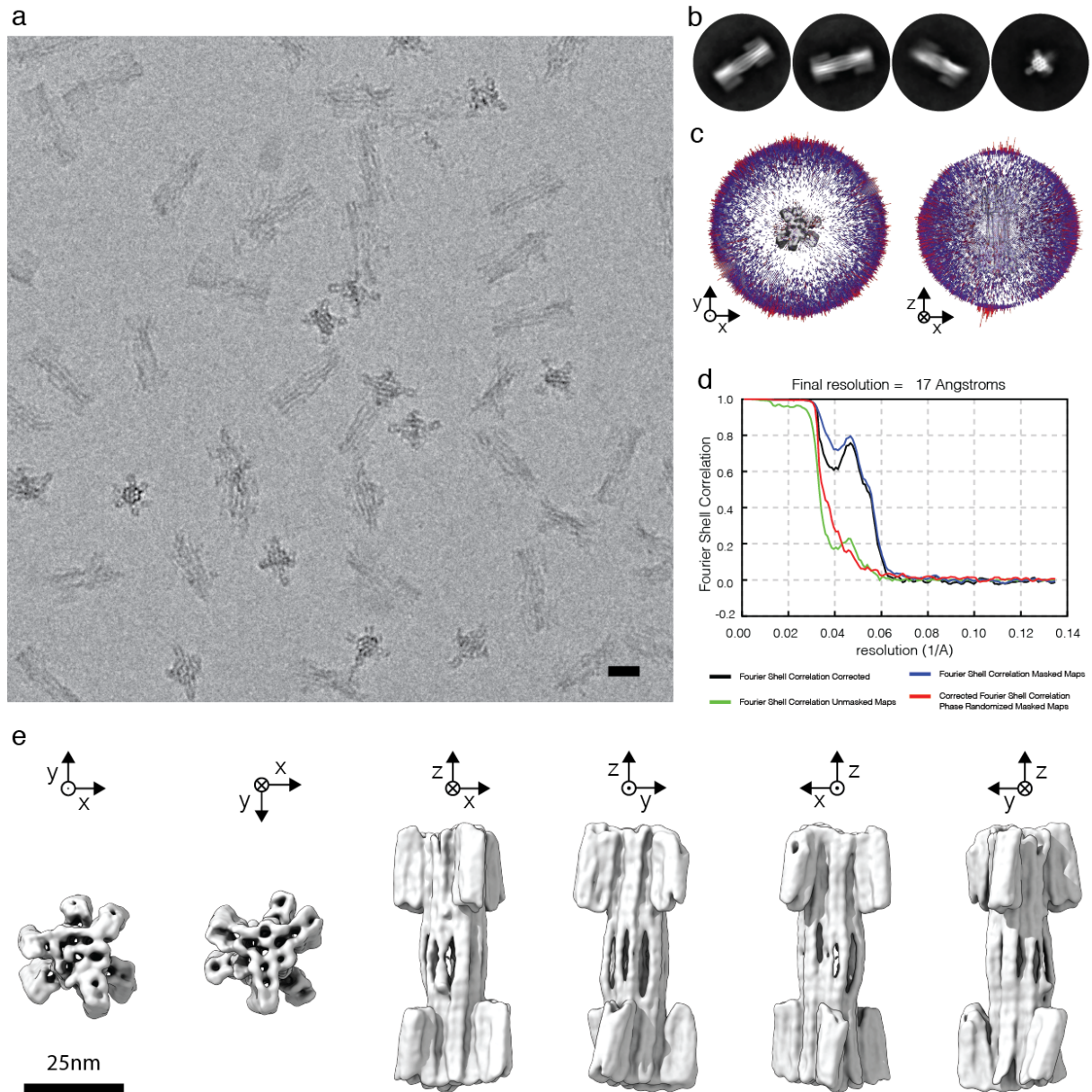
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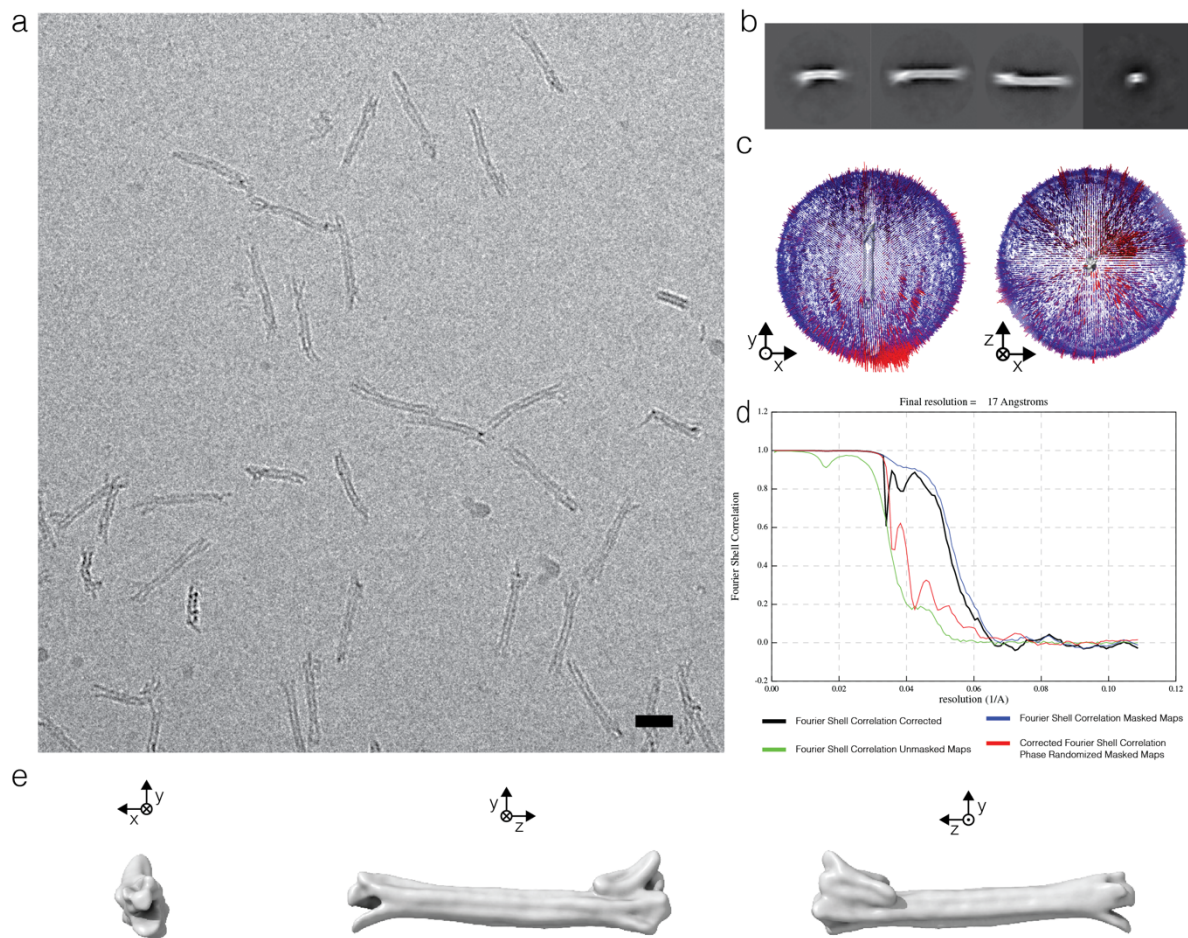
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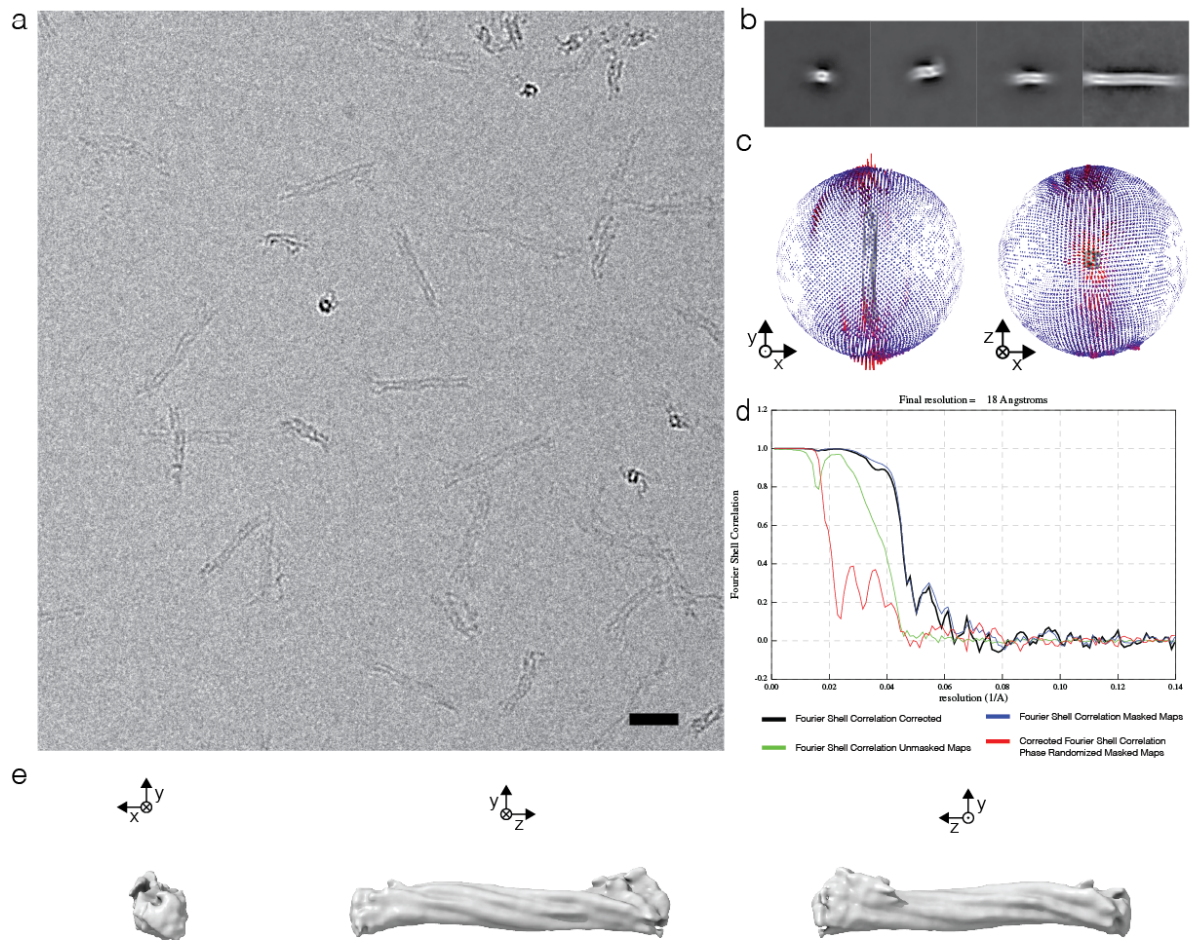
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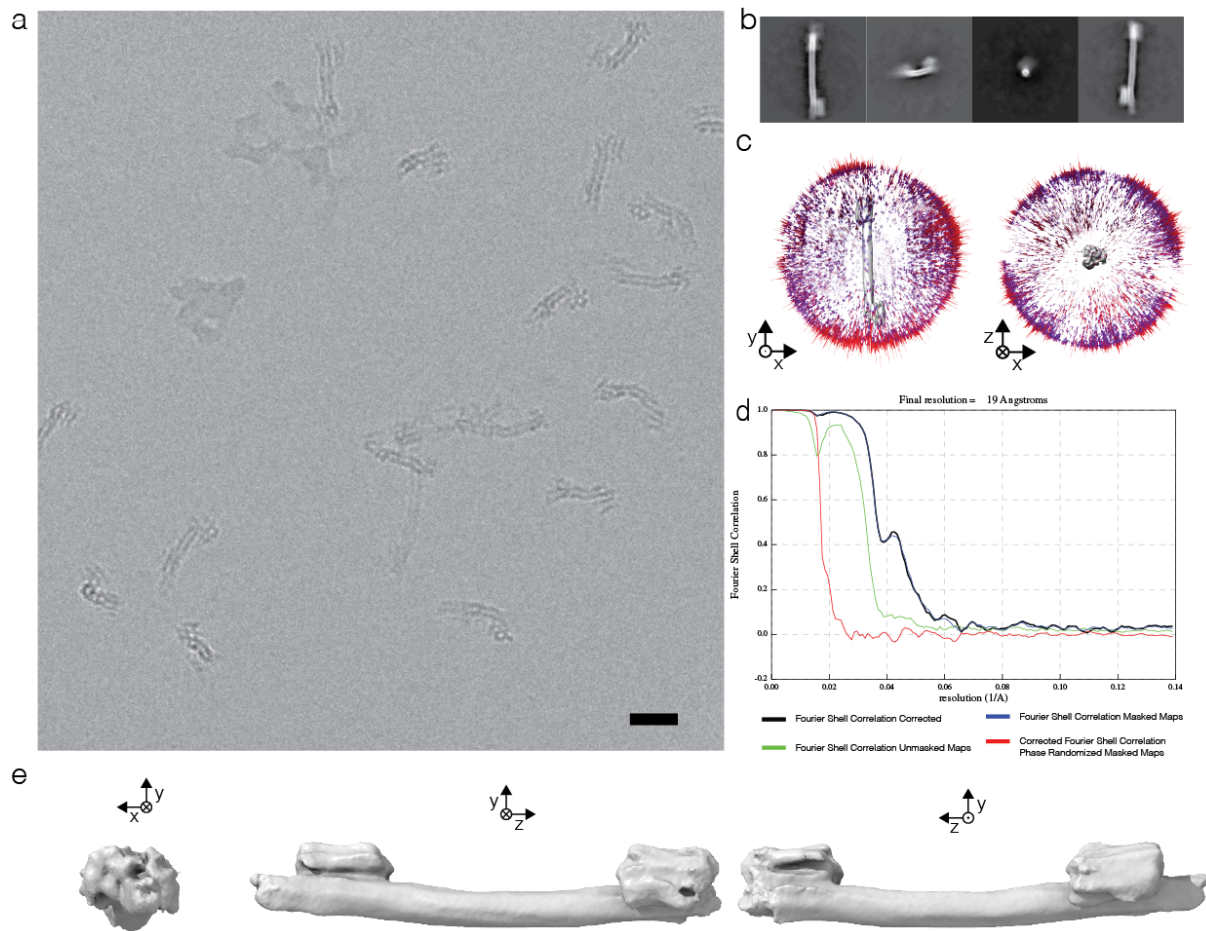
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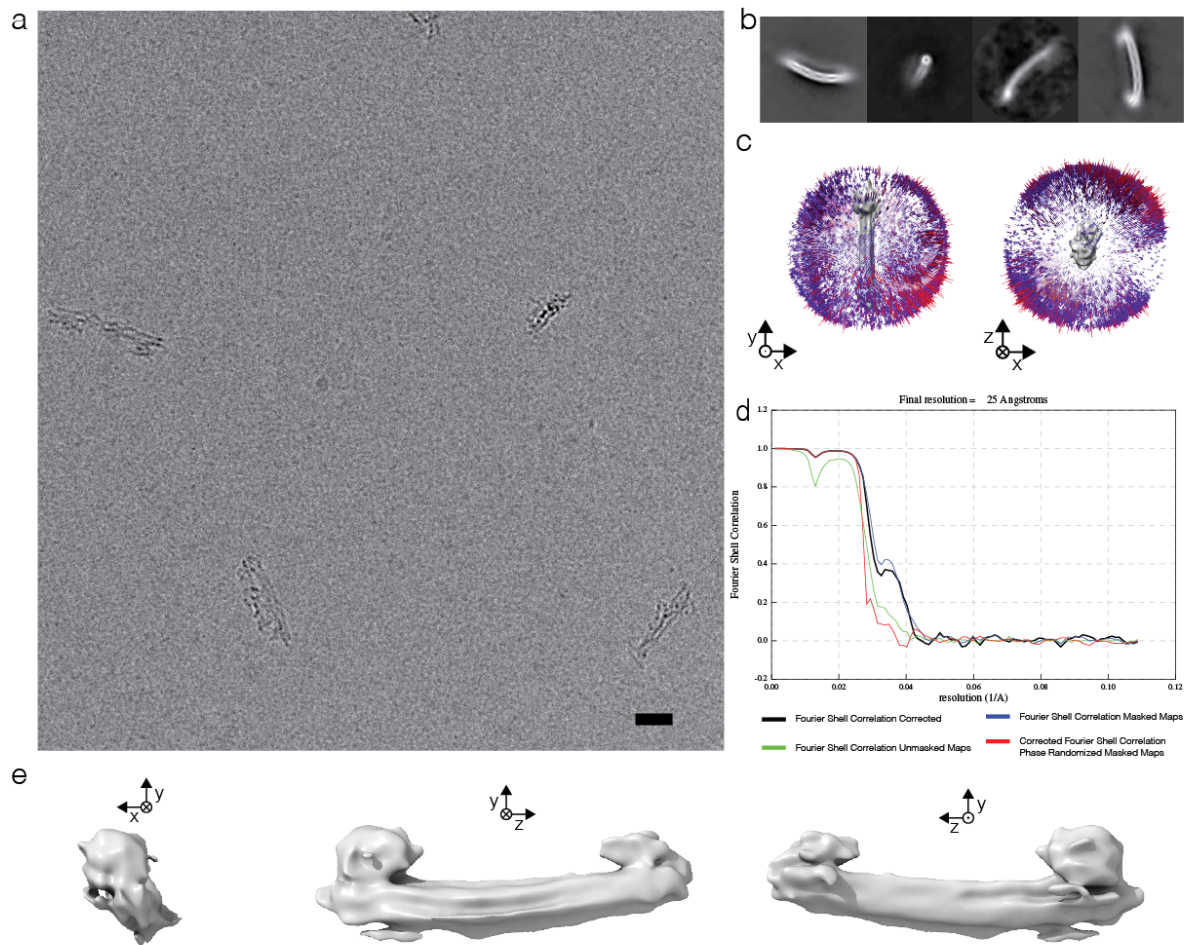
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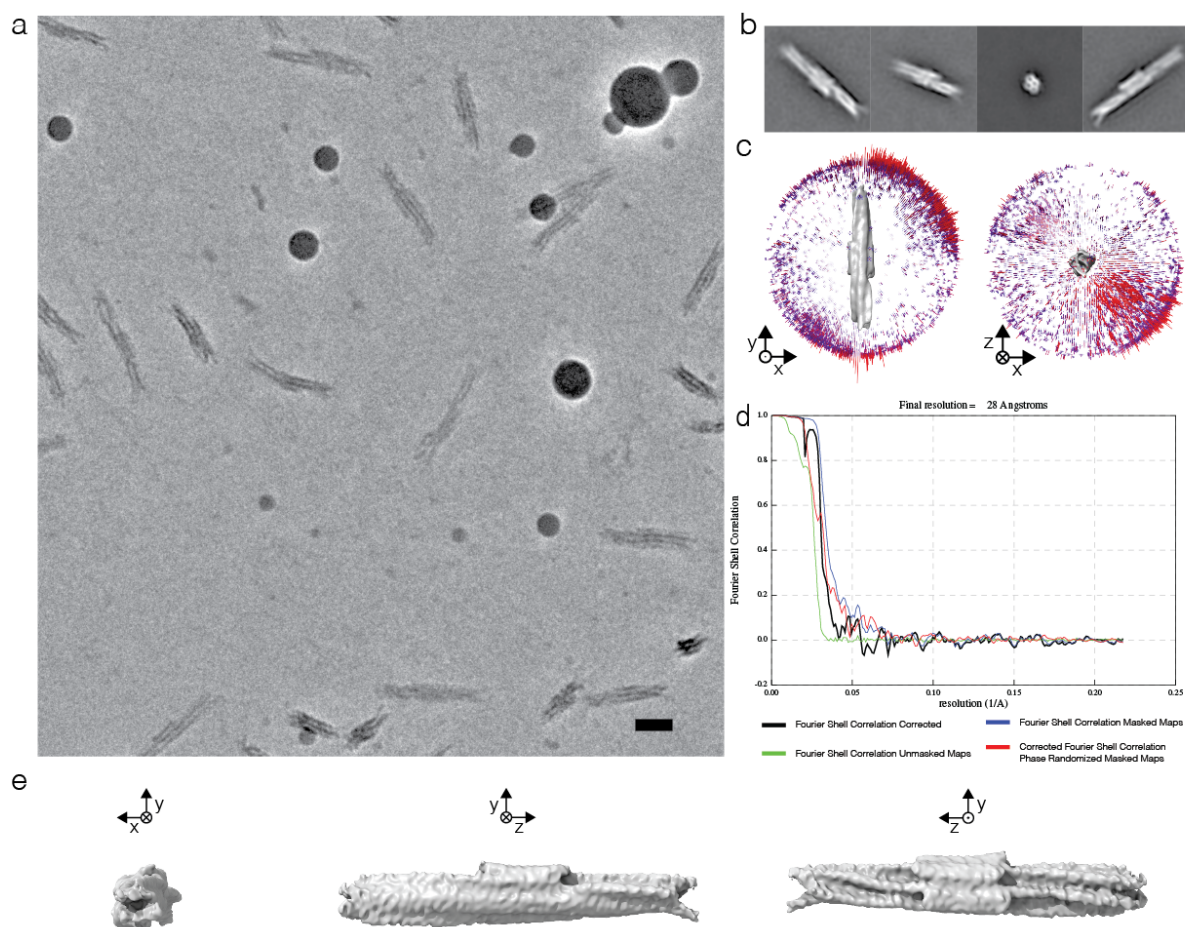
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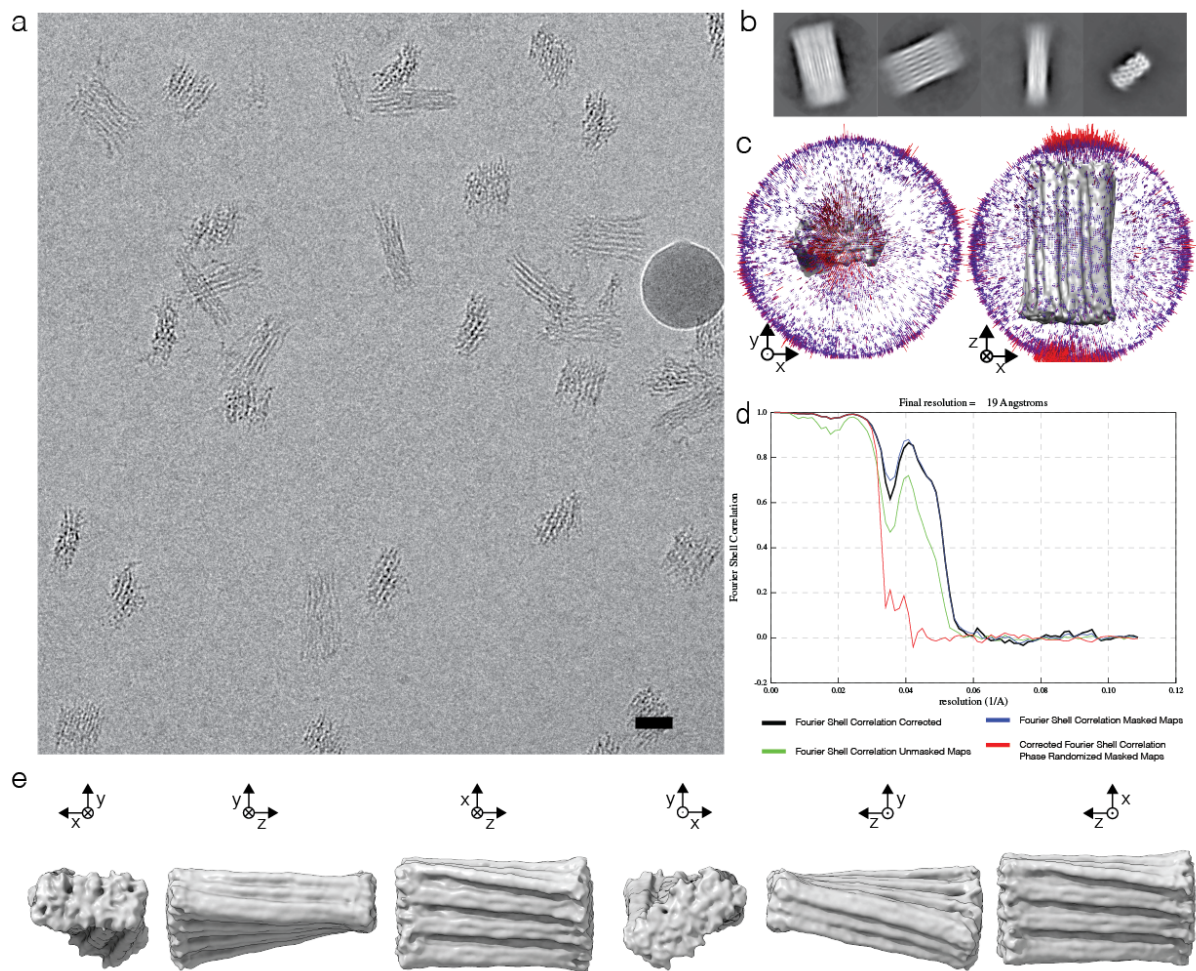
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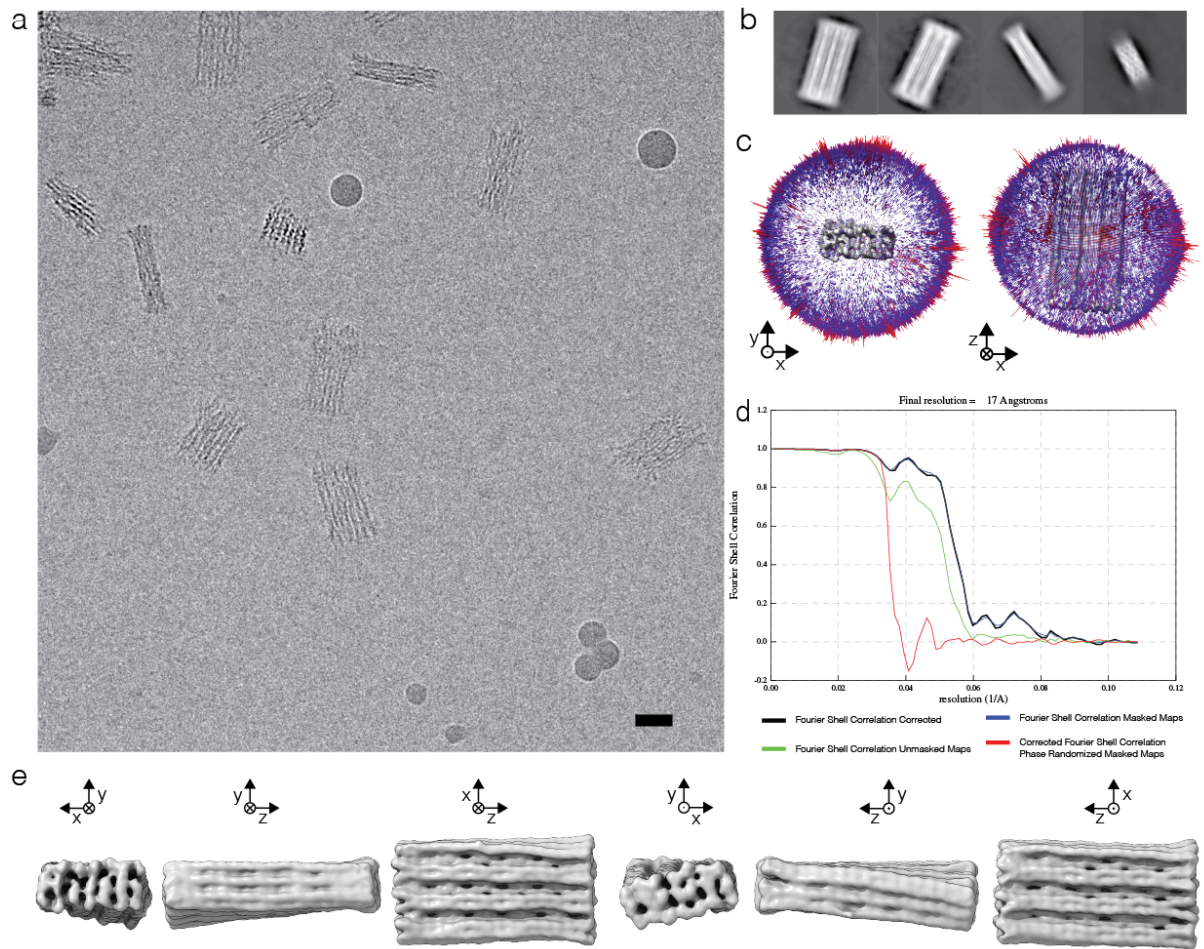
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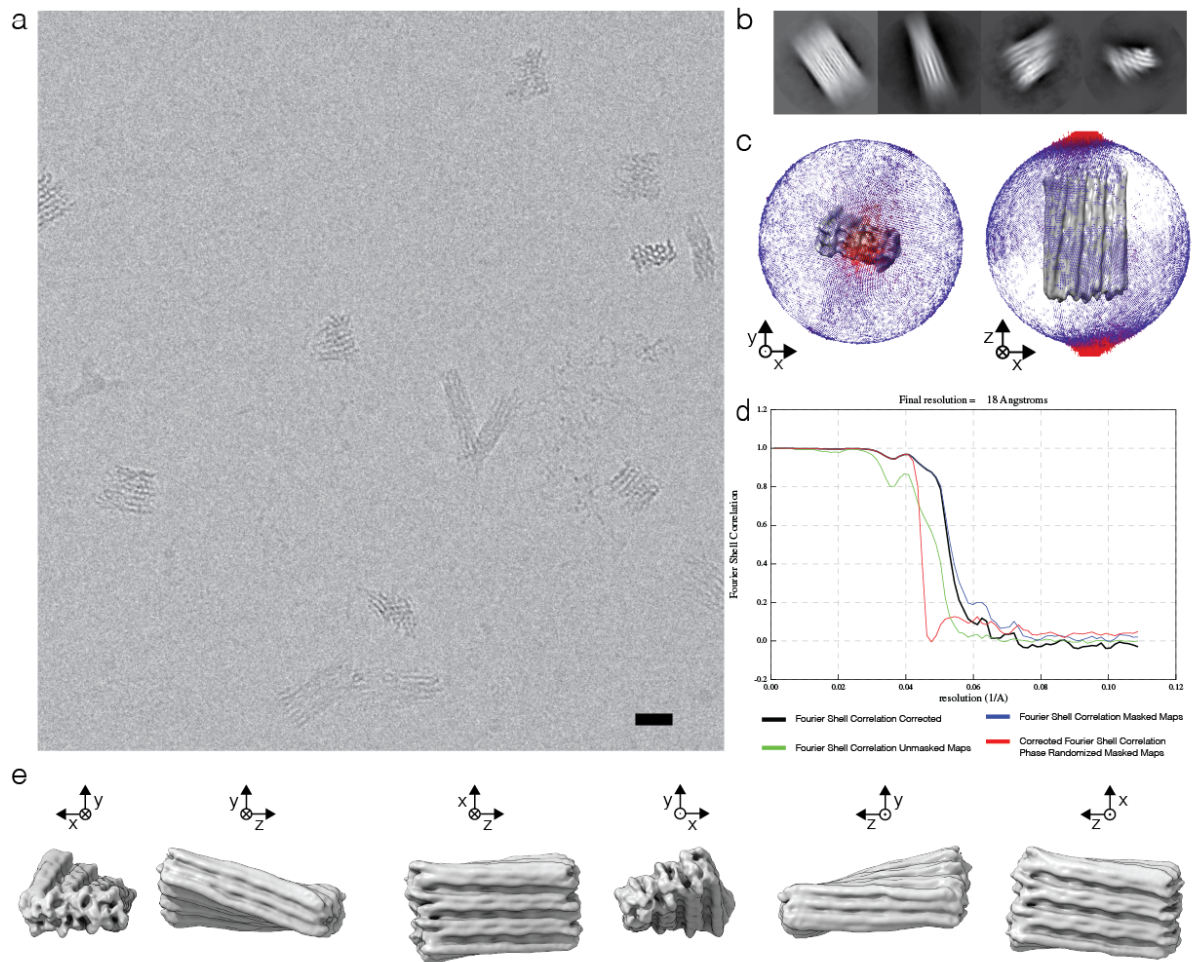
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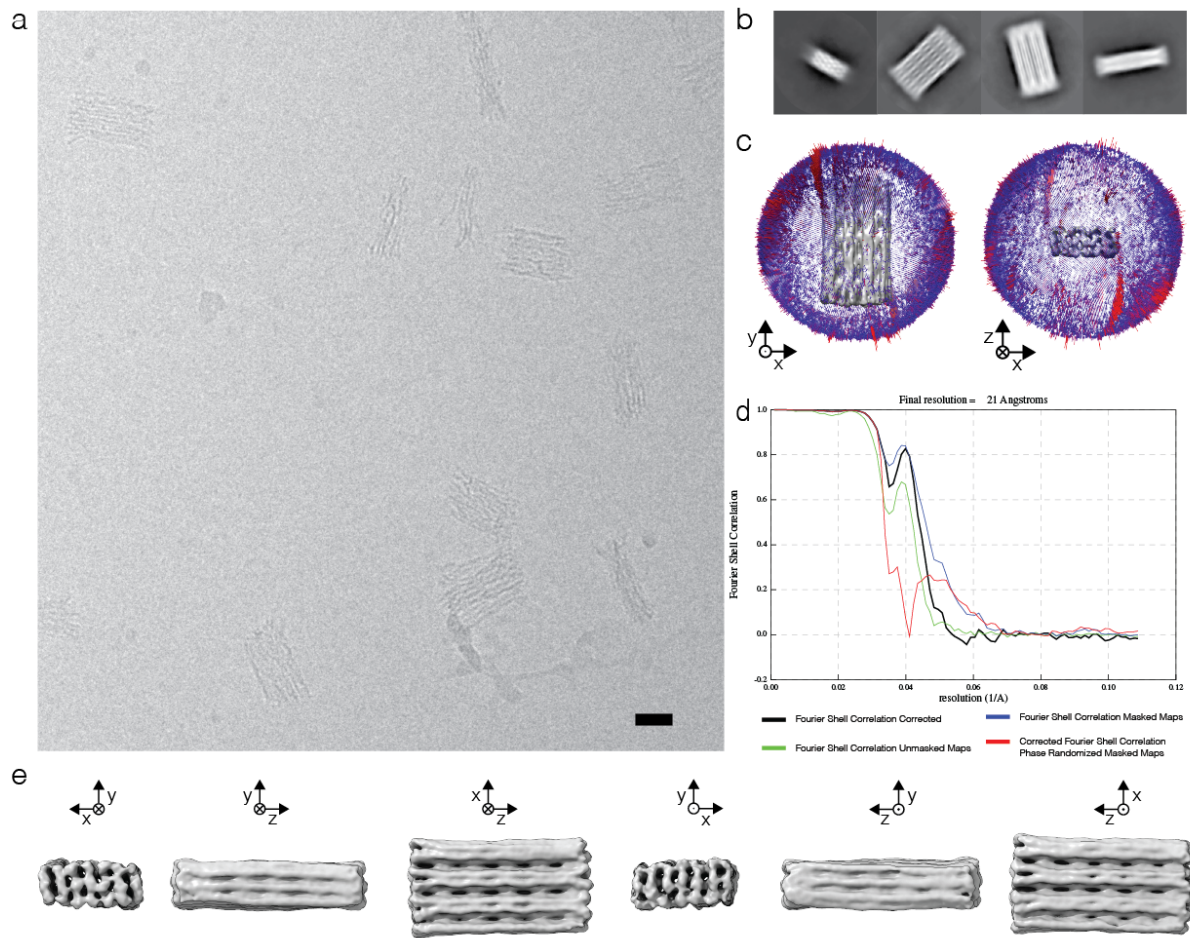
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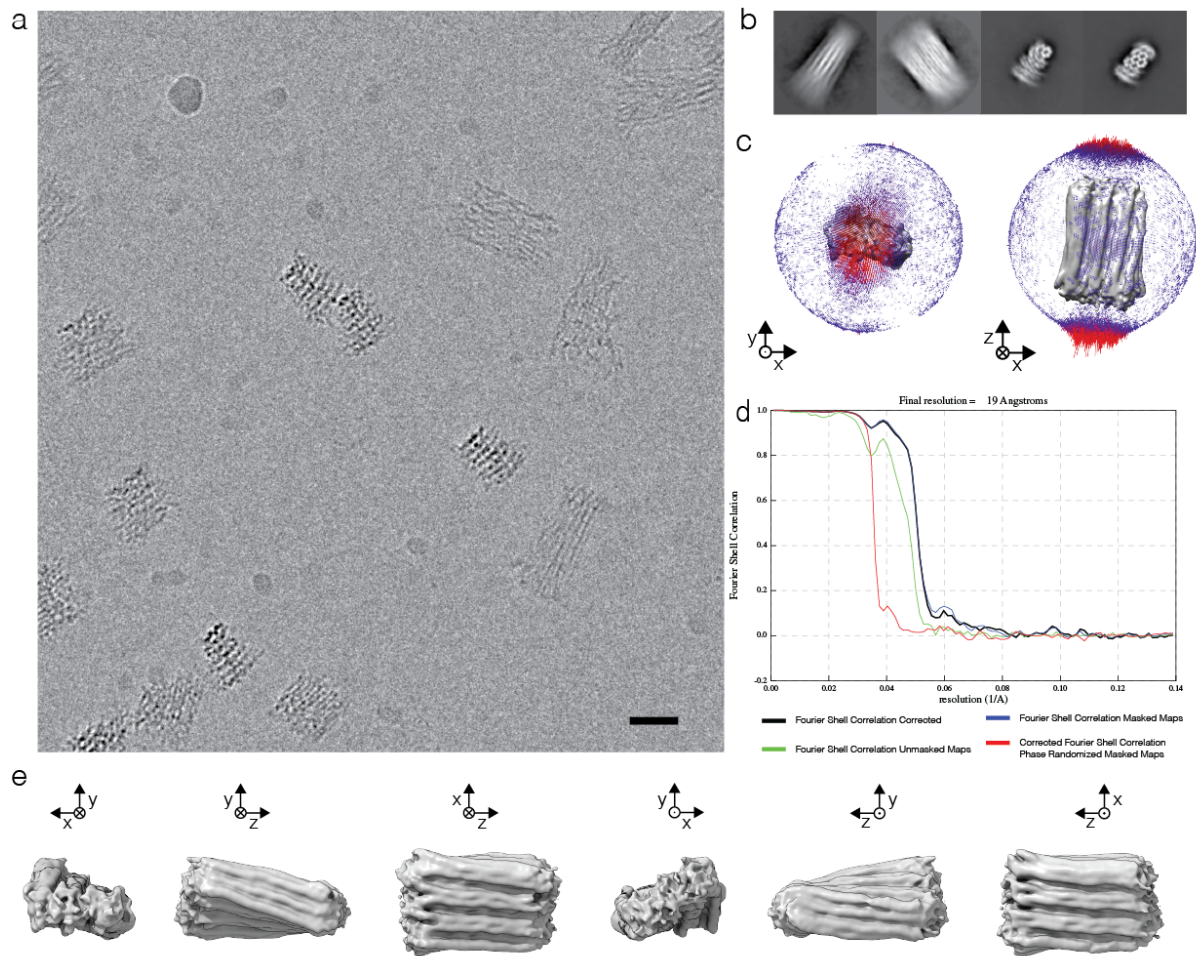
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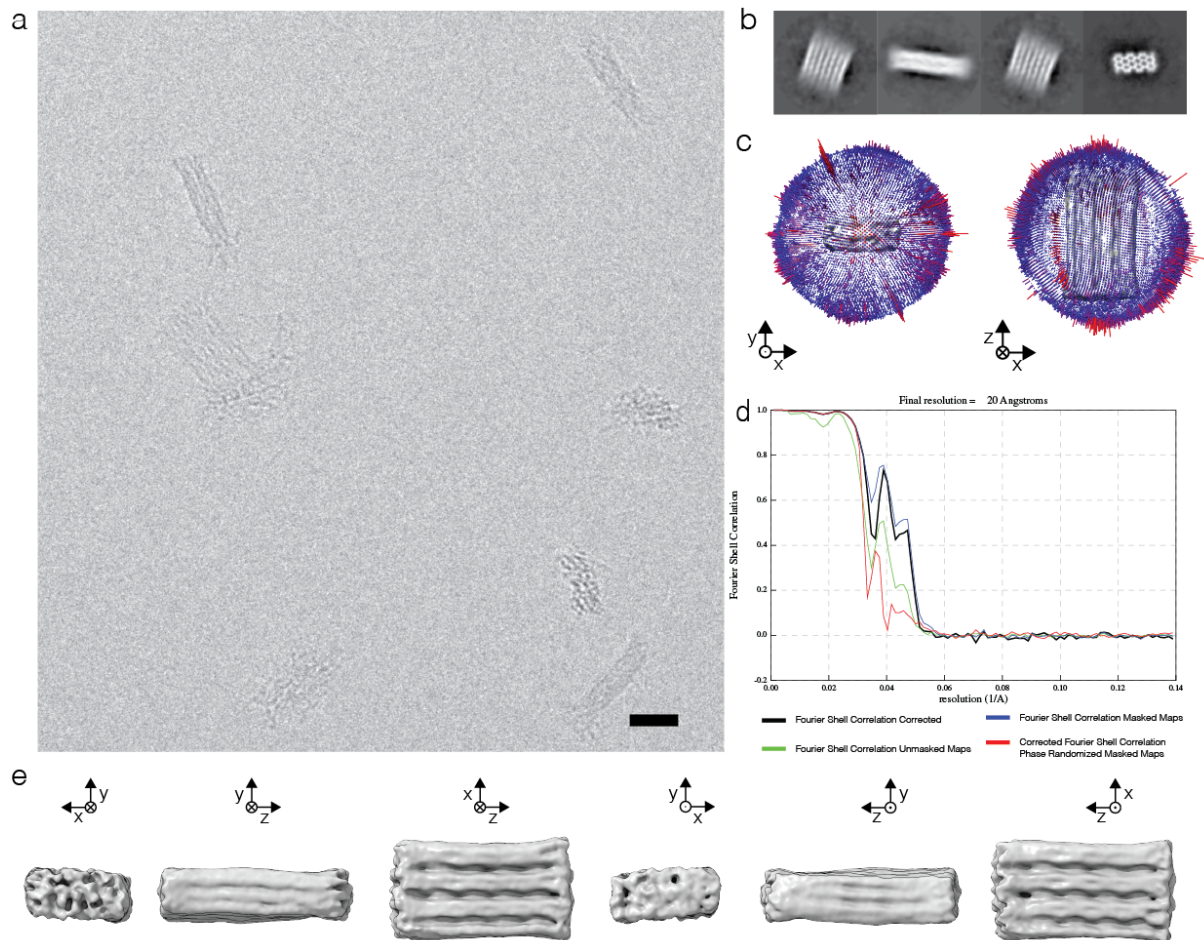
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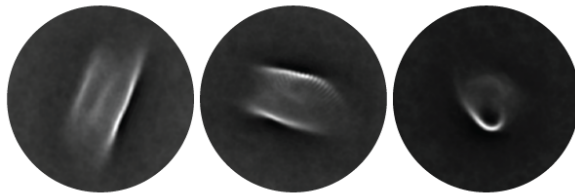
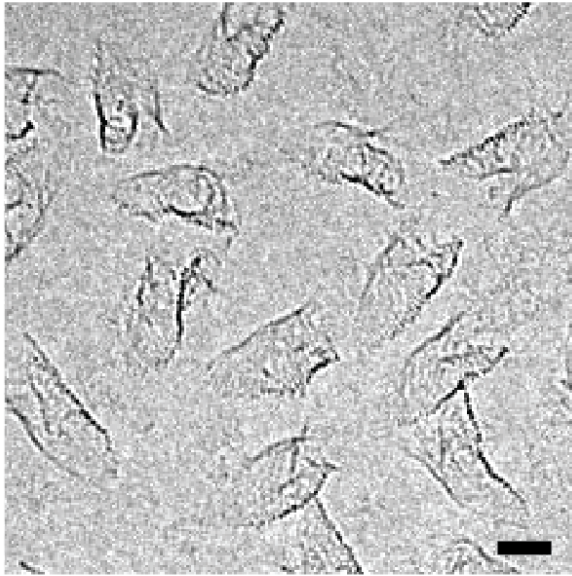


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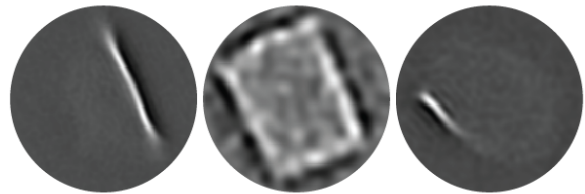
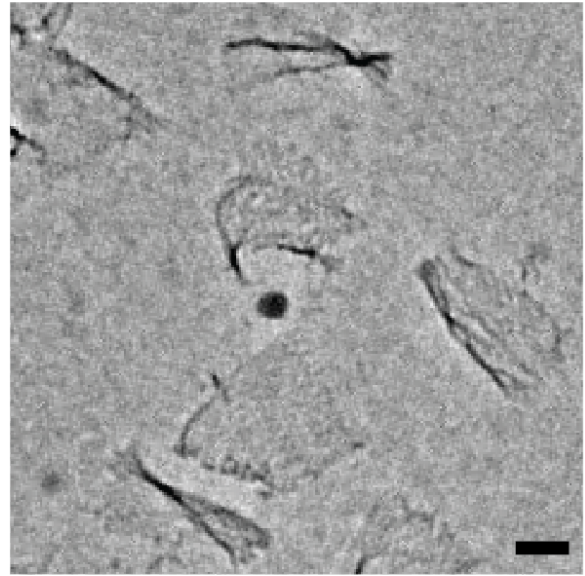


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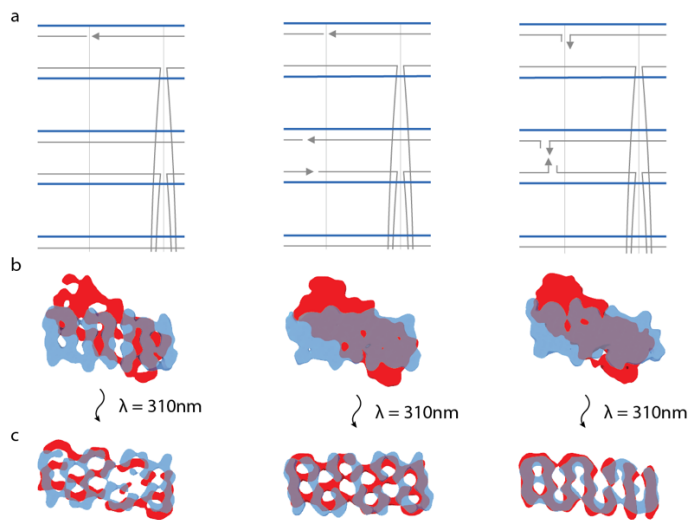
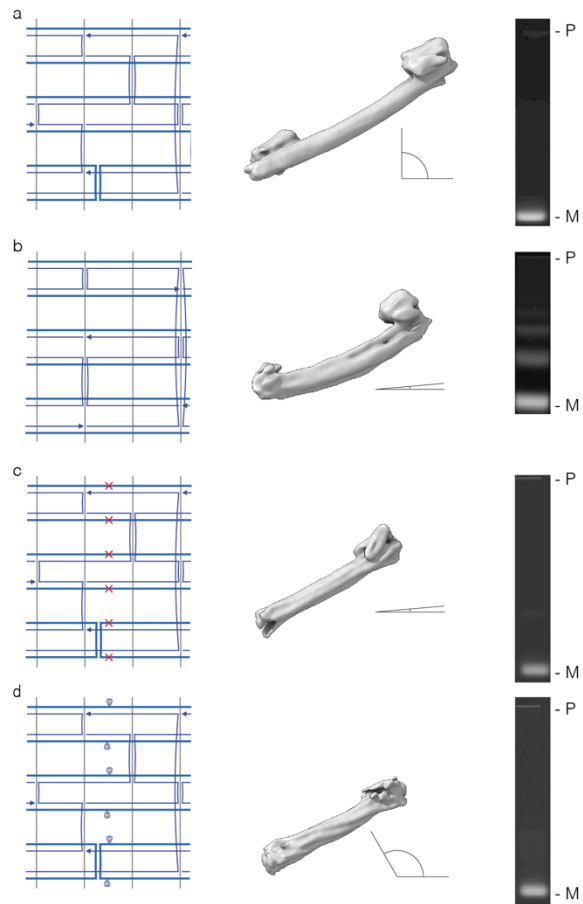


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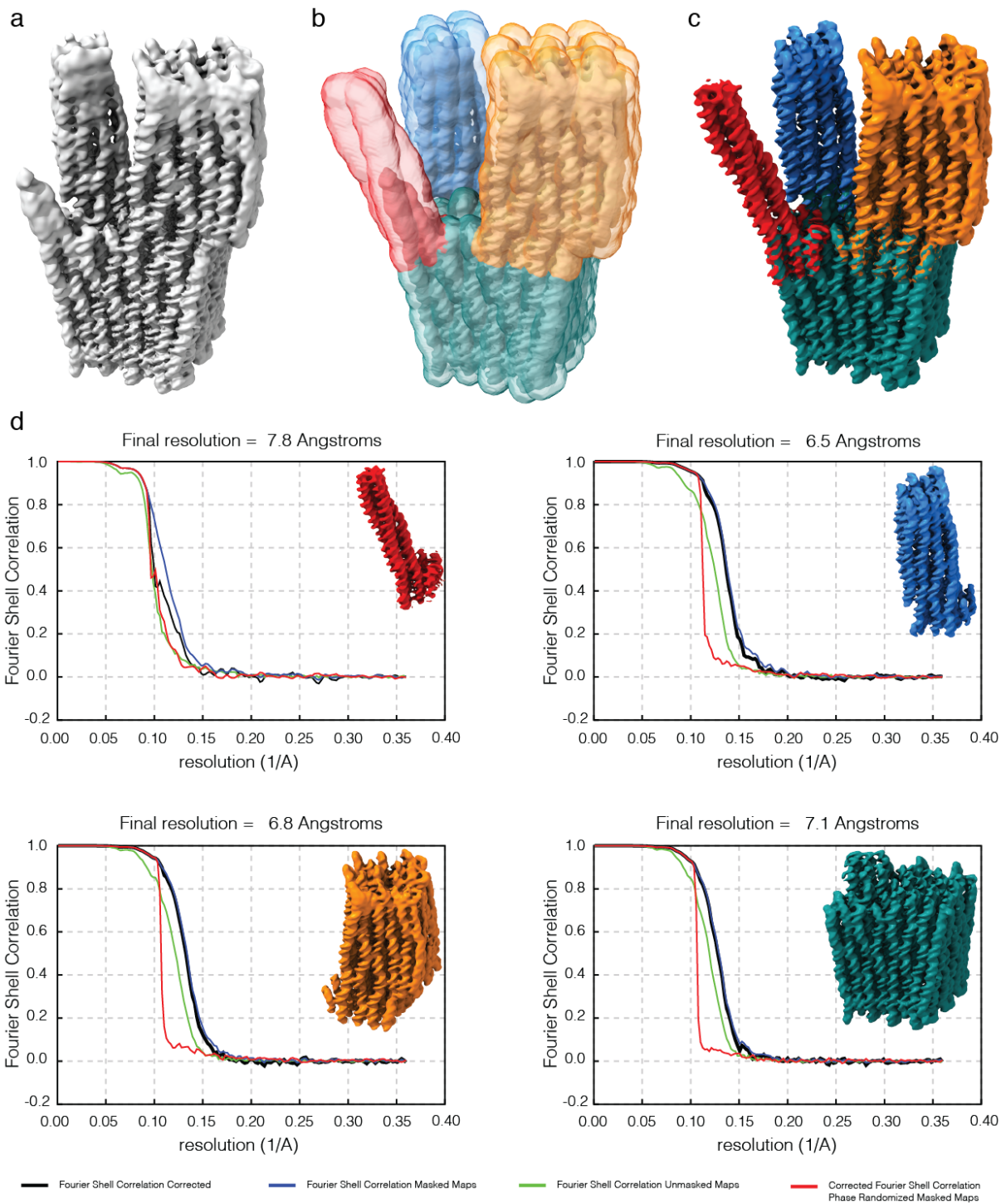
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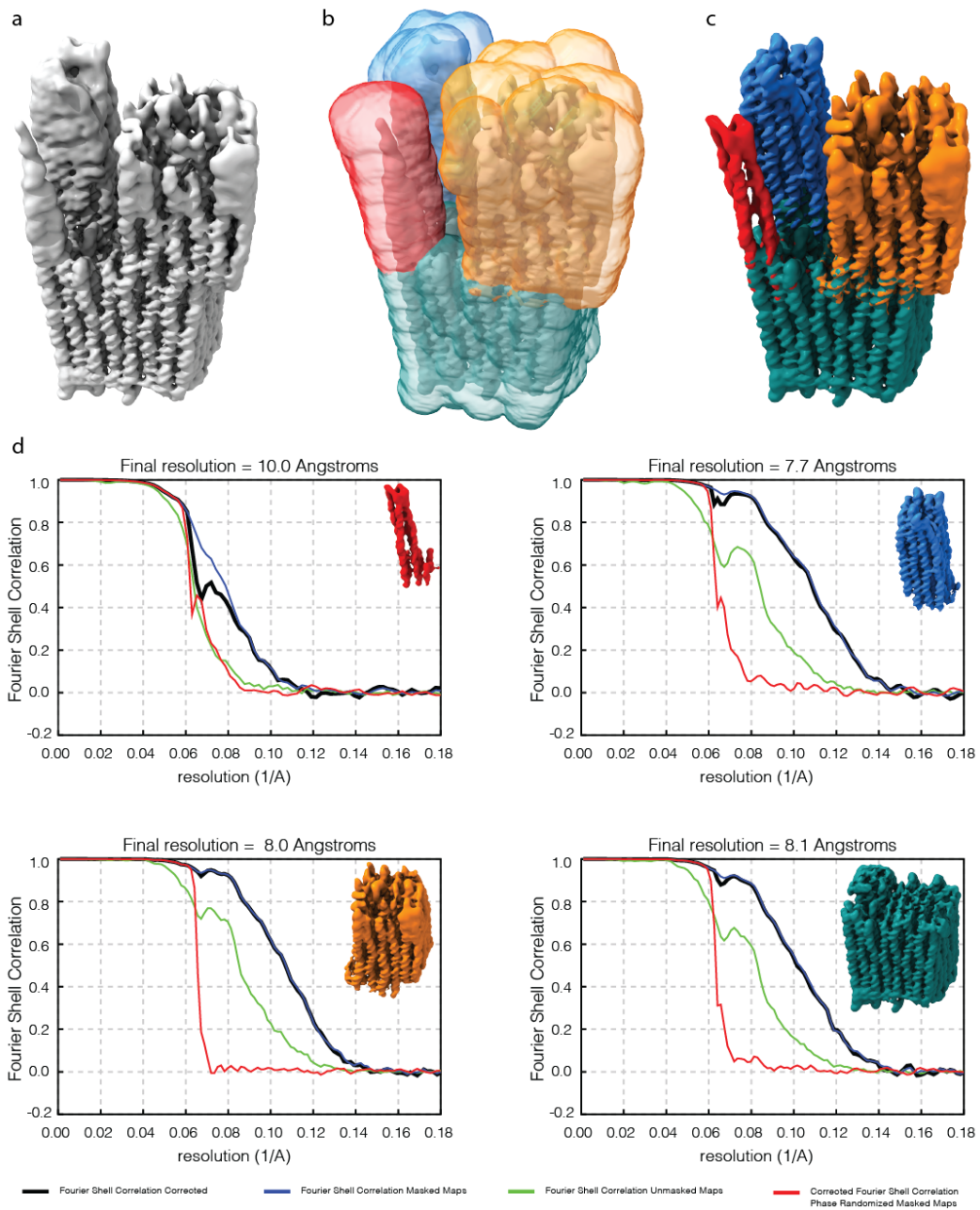
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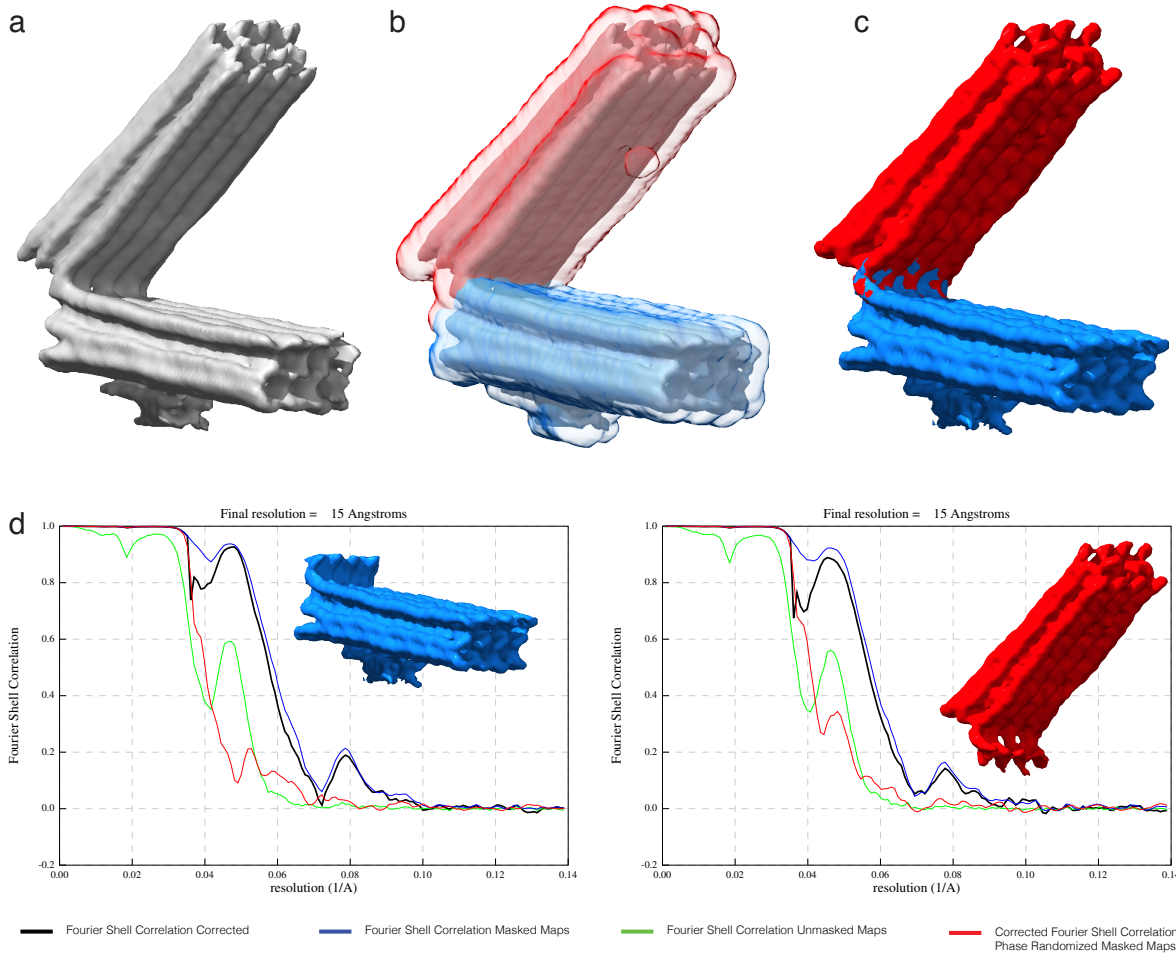
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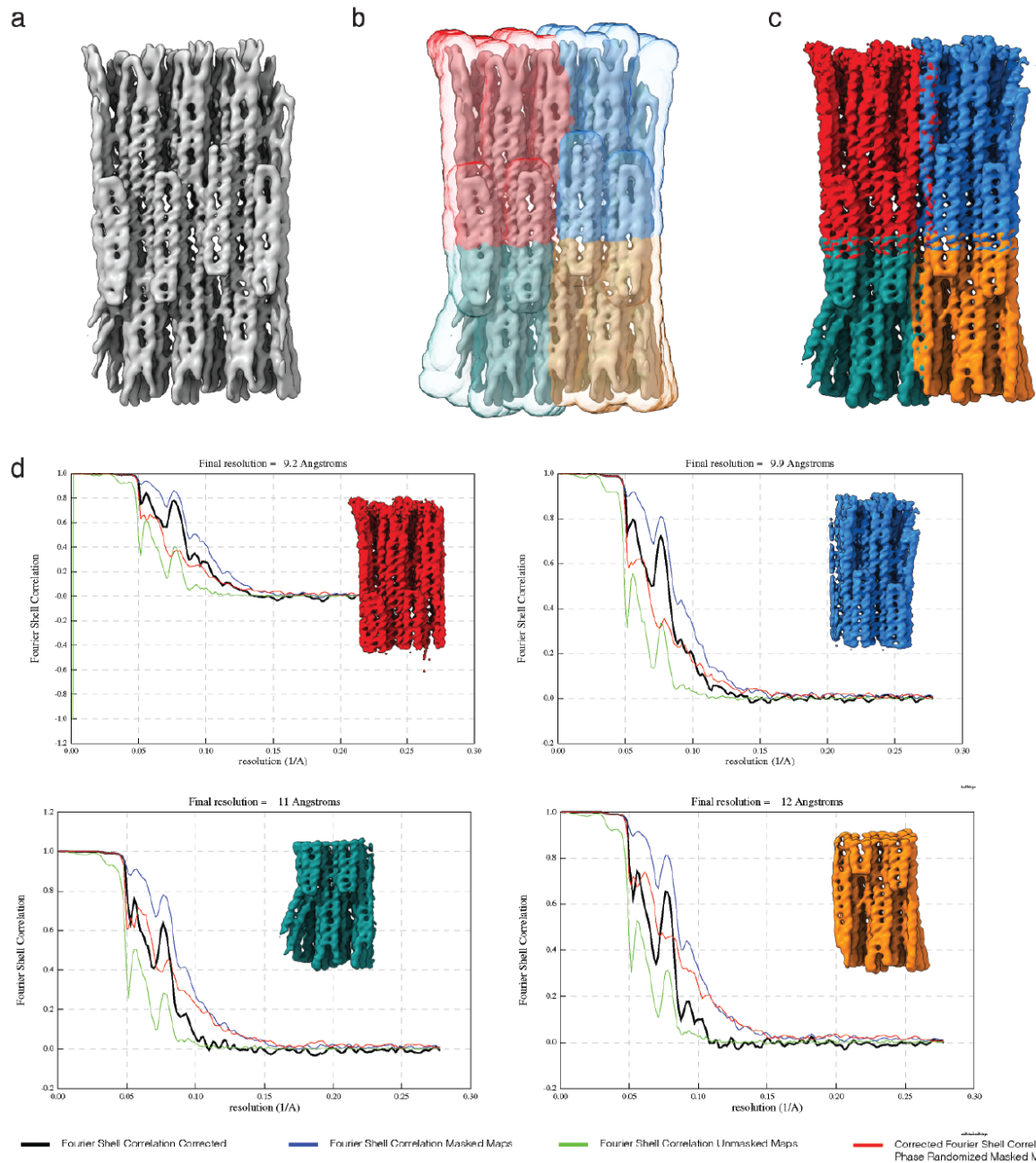
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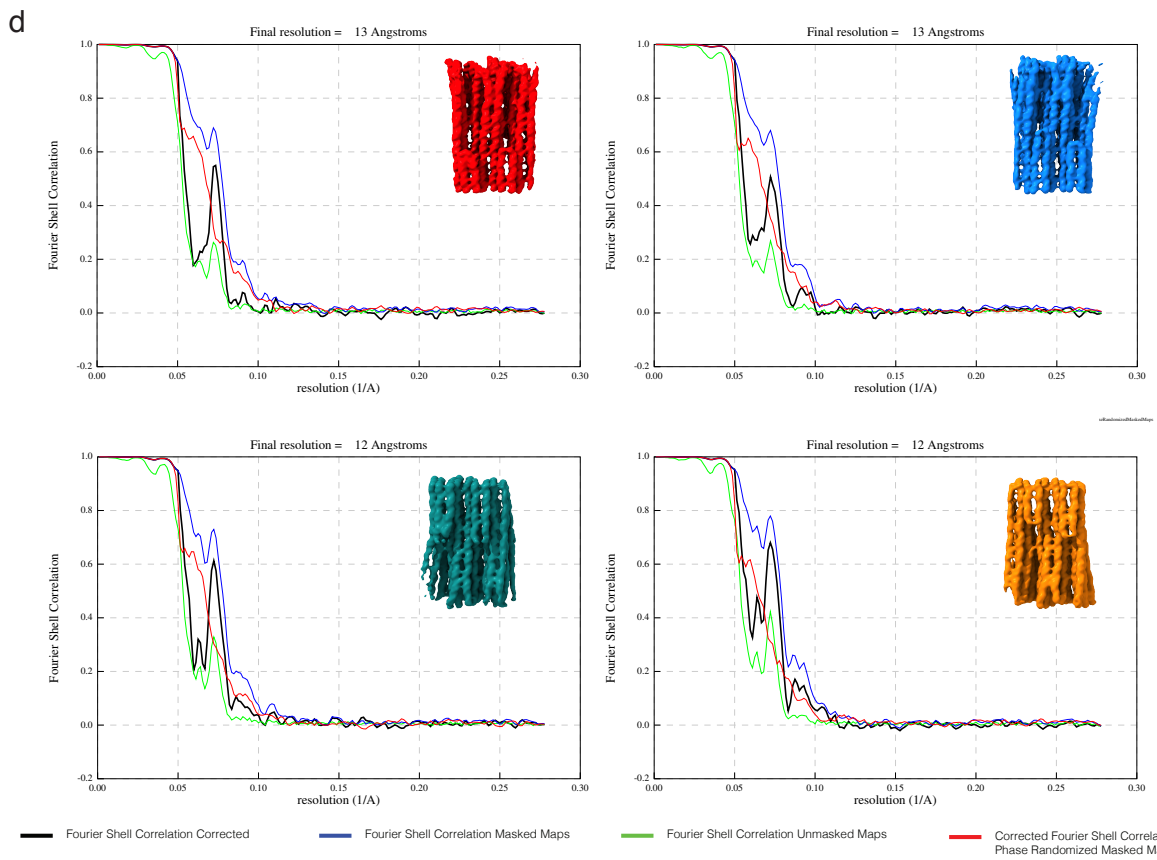
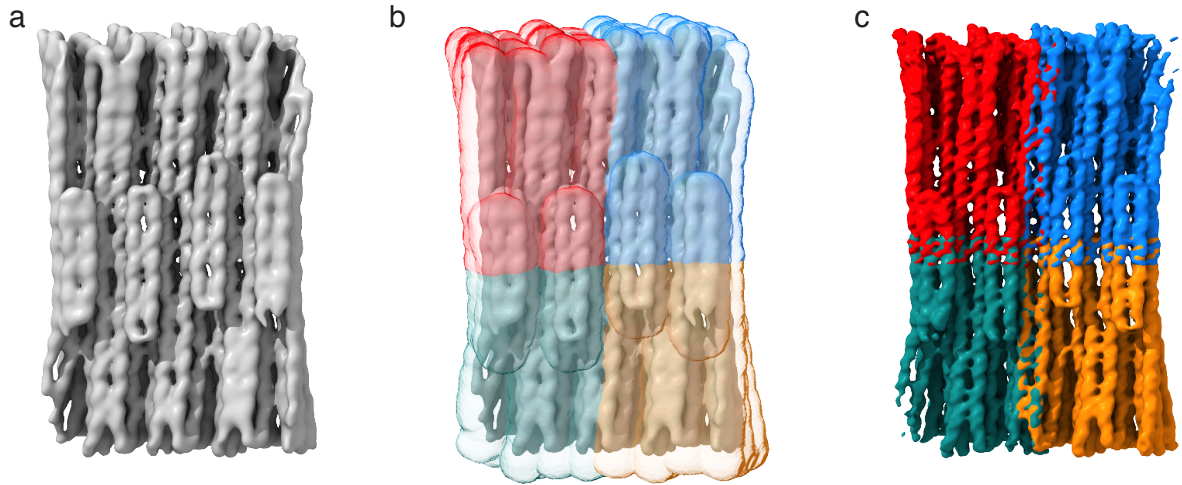
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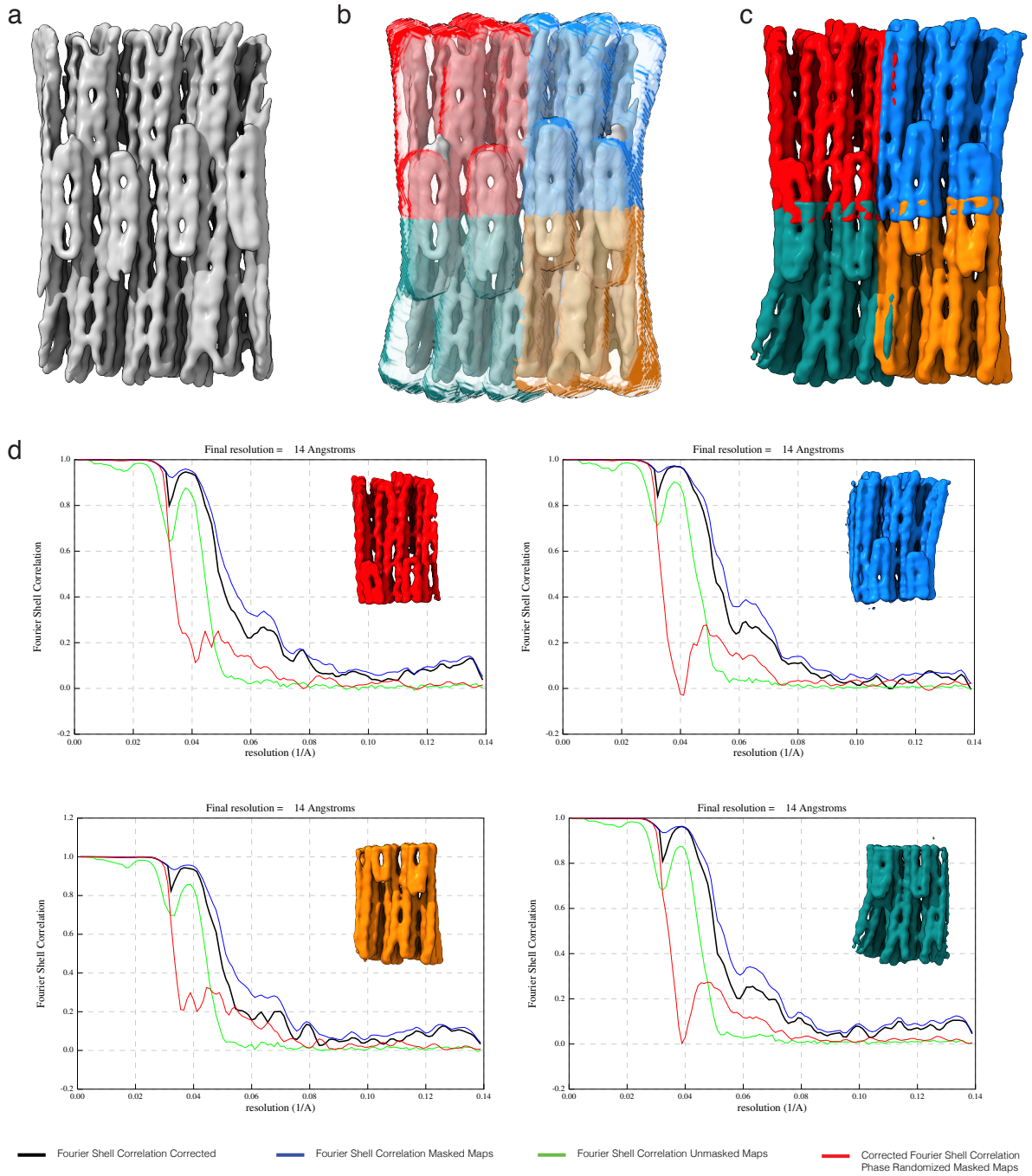
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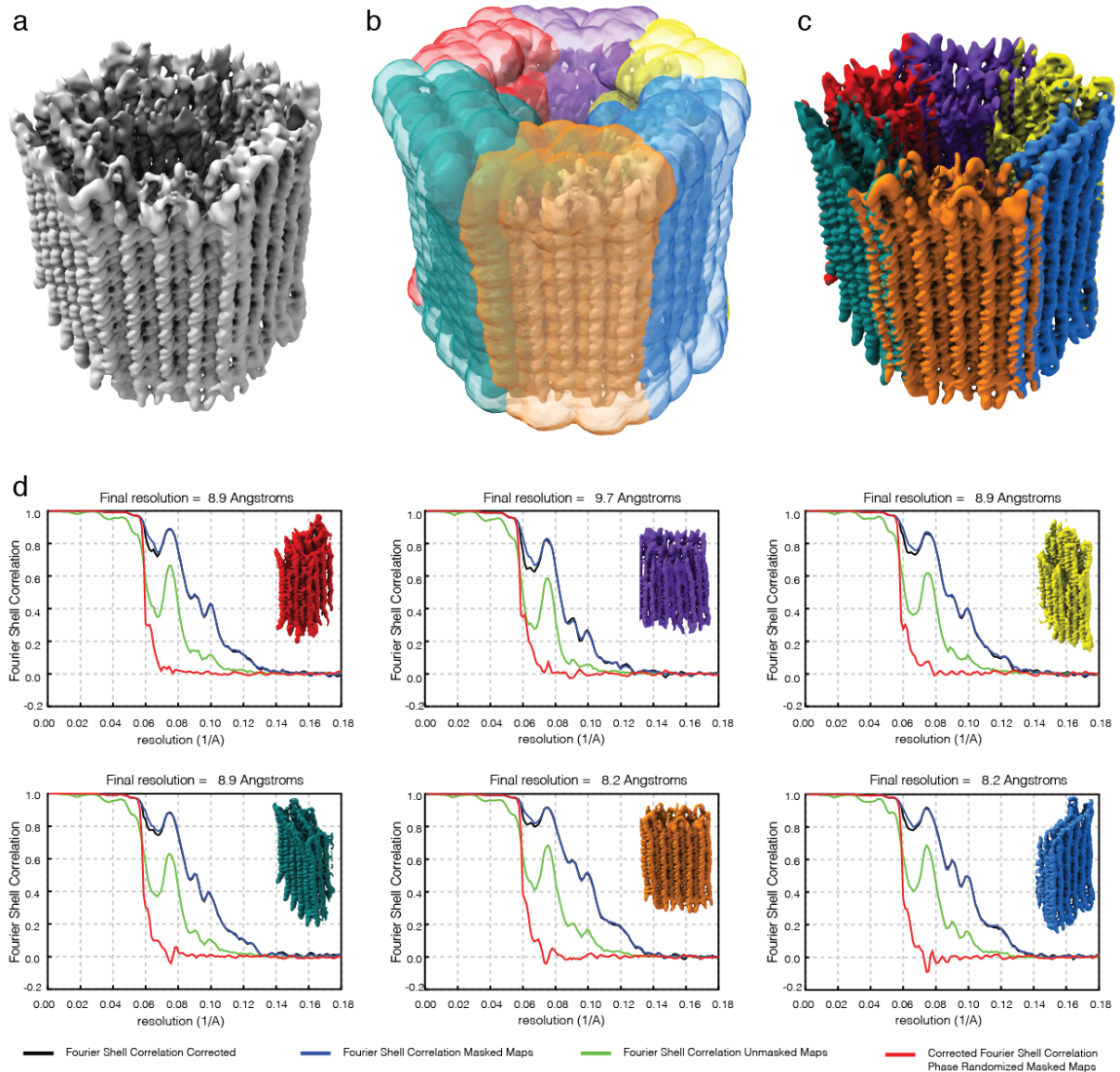
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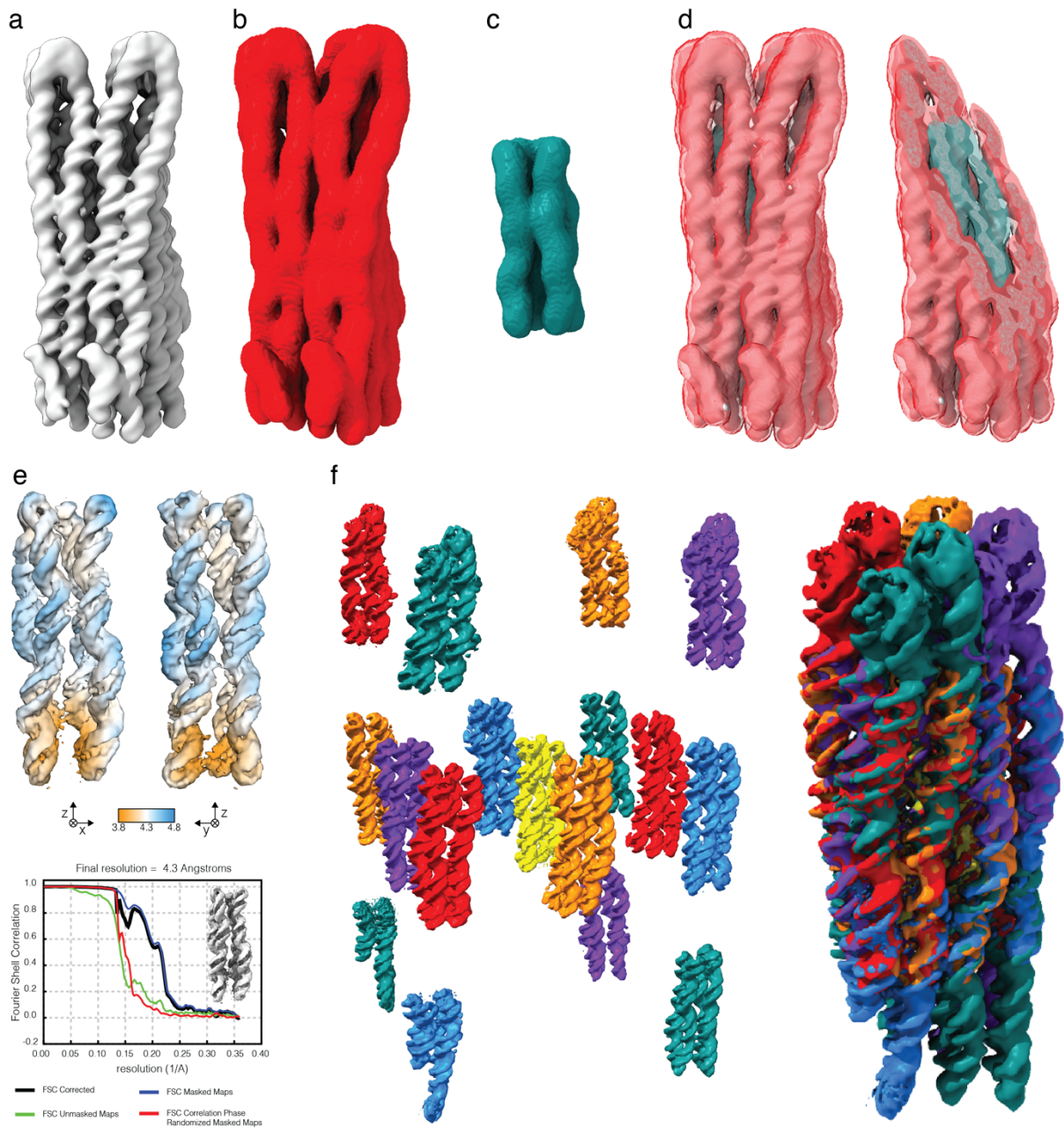
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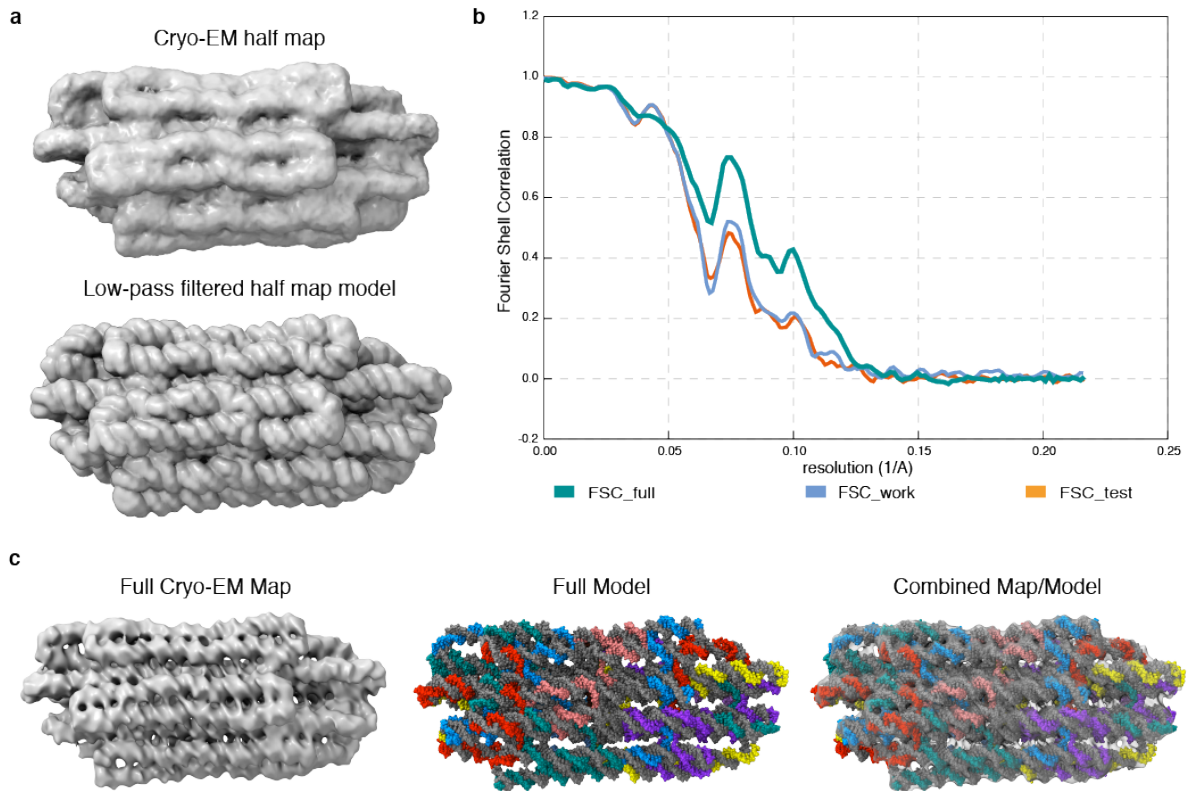
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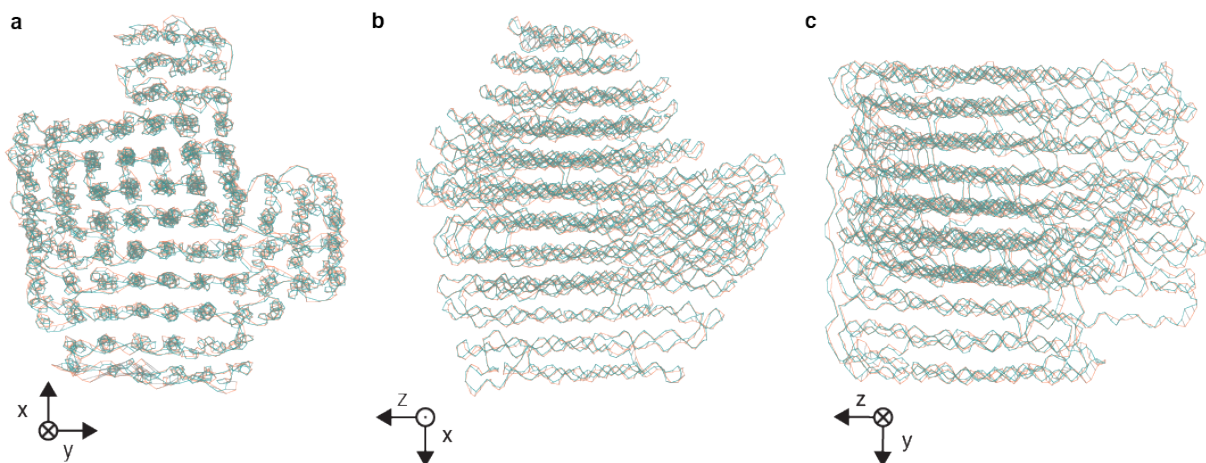
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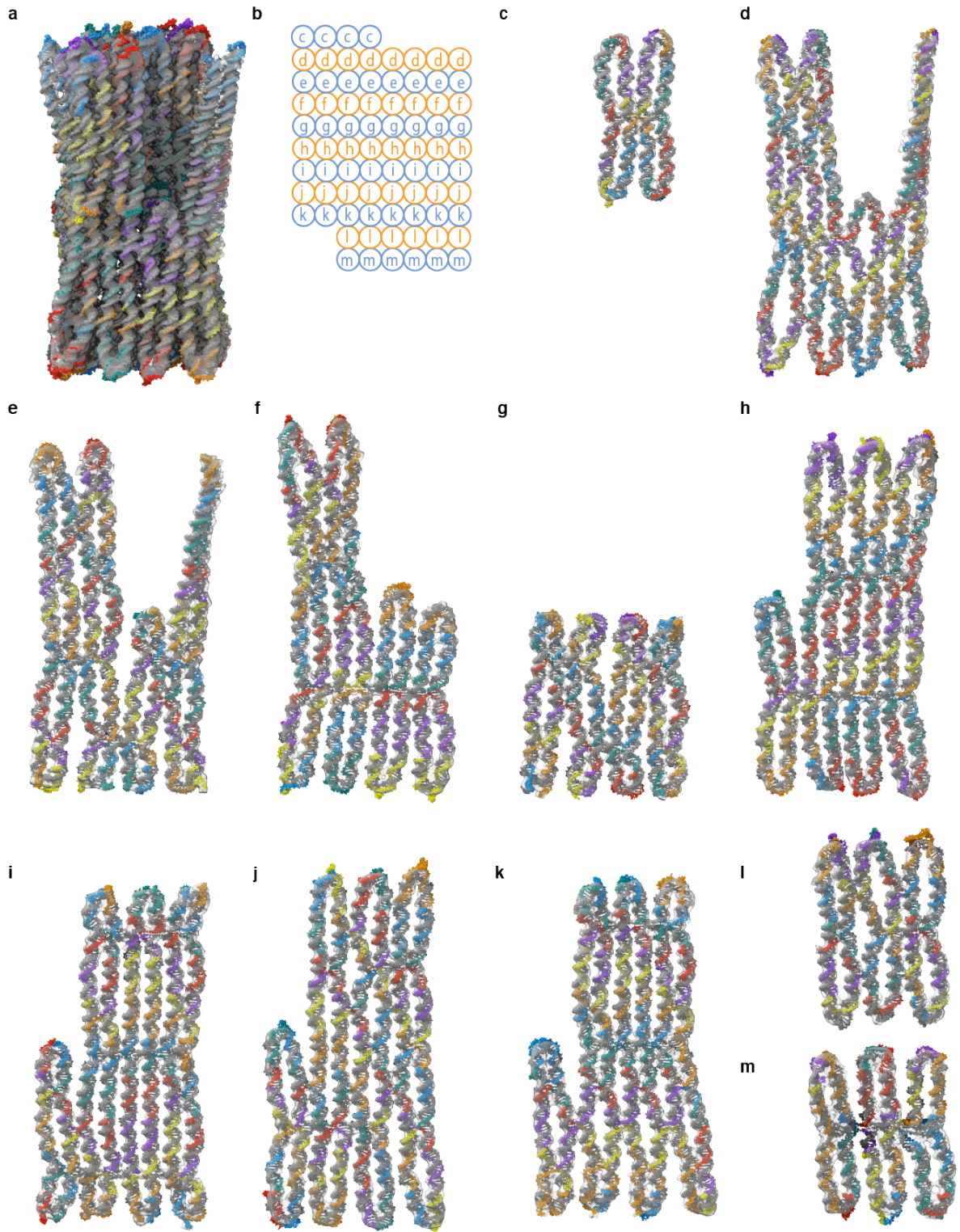
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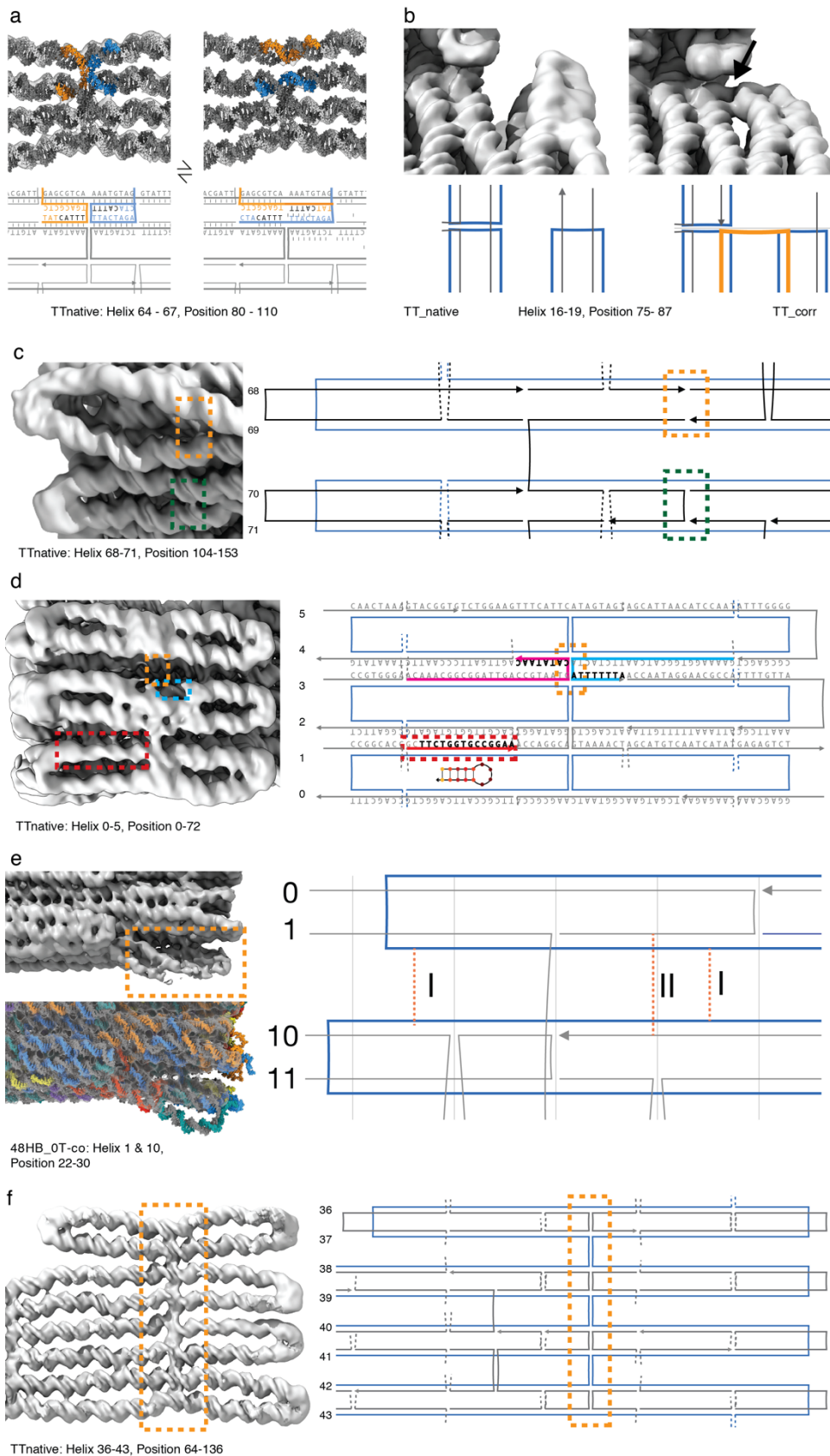
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Supplementary Figure 39 | Atomic model comparison. (a-c) Lines give helical axes of the atomic models of the Pointer v1 (Bai et, ref 15) (green) and our cascaded fitting procedure (orange). Connecting lines (grey) depict the displacement at every 2nd base position. The cross-correlation of the new model with the Cryo-EM map is 0.913 (slightly improved over the previously published model (0.895)). The overall RMSD of old and new model is with 6.025 Å well below map resolution.

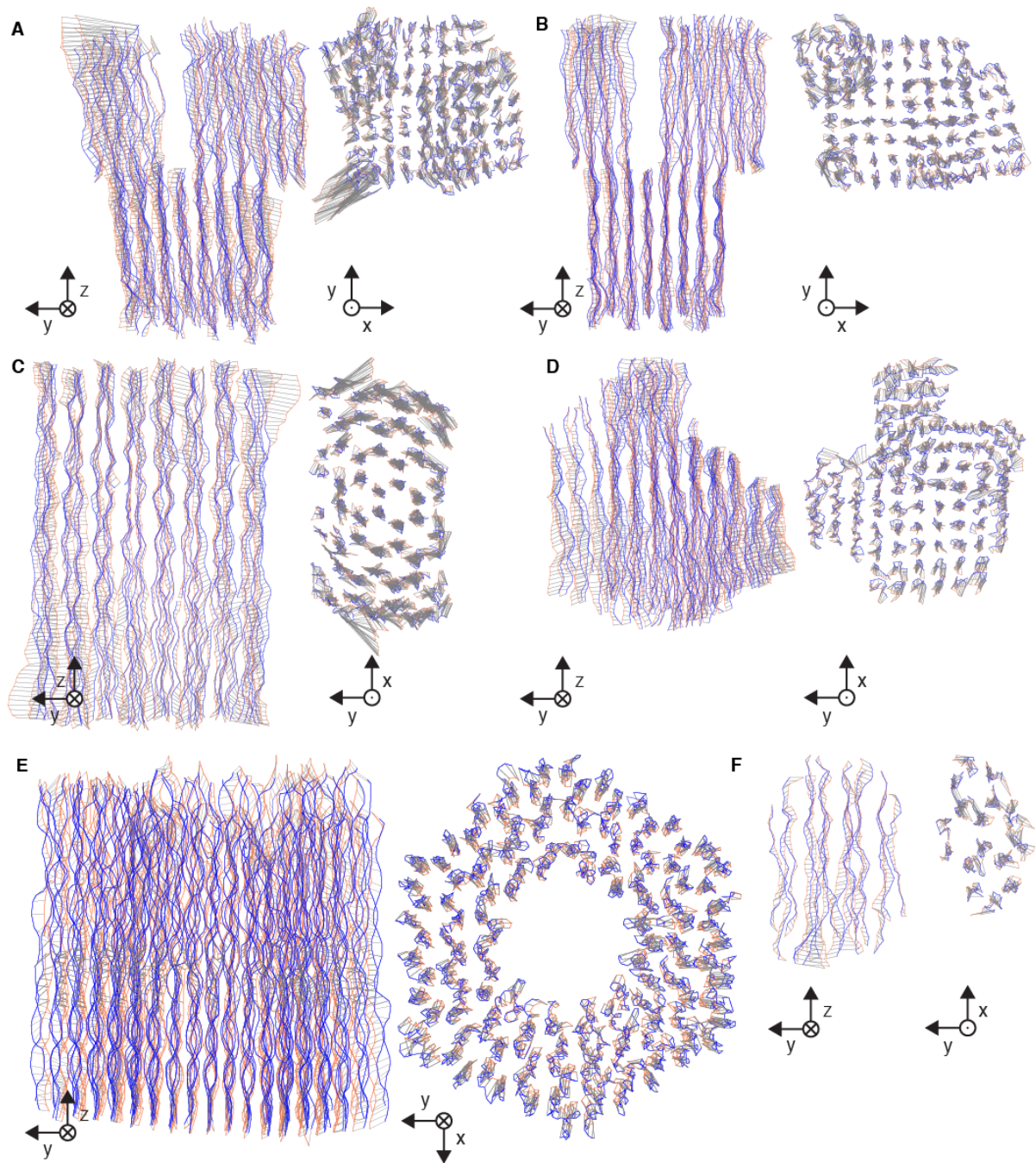


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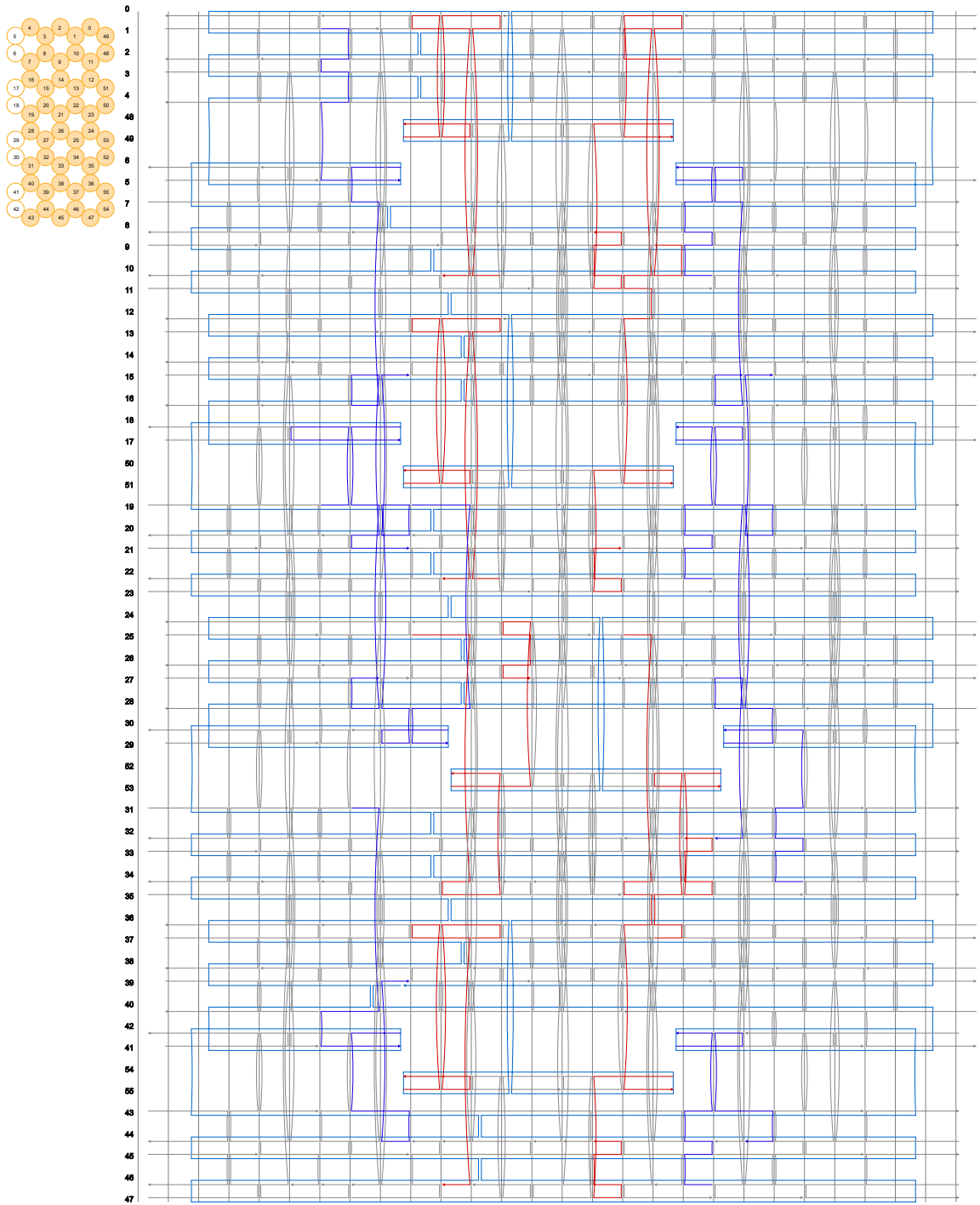


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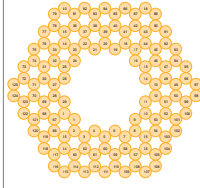
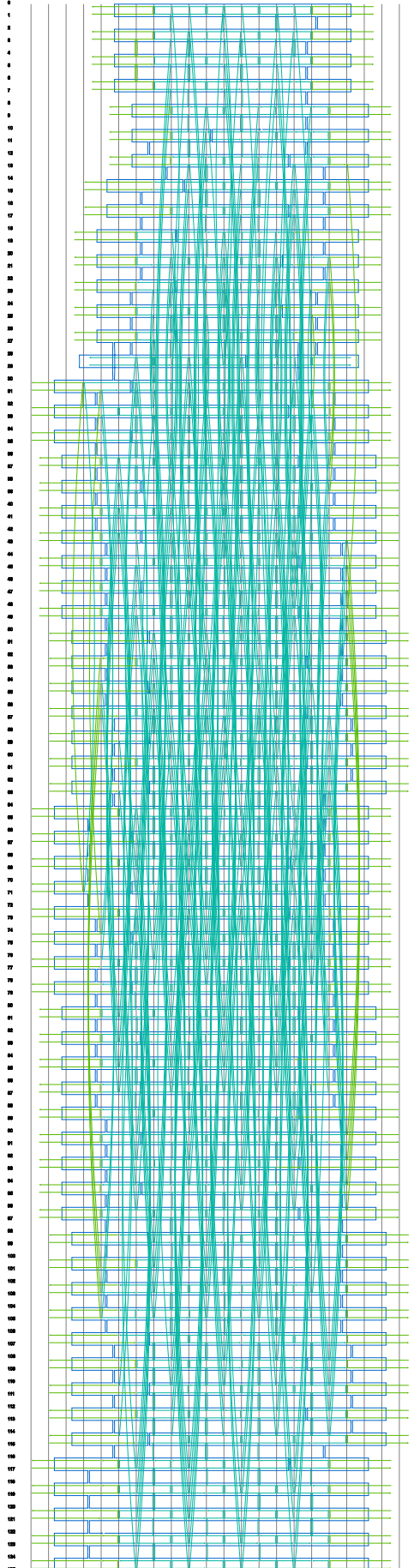
Left: The two outer helices on the right are bent outwards in the Twisttower. Right: In the twist-corrected variant an additional crossover (orange) connects the end of the helices with the rest of the structure. **(c)** Weakly connected helix at an edge of the 8x8 domain of the Twisttower. The two top helices are spread apart due to not being connected to each other in the shown region. A possible connection position (orange box) was kept unused, unlike for the two helices below (green box). **(d)** Poorly resolved helices in the 6x6 domain in the Twisttower. We attribute the designed but not resolved crossover (orange box) to the partial sequence homology like in a) and high A and T content. The poorly resolved helical domain (blue box) might show an unbound staple segment due to a high A and T content. The staple segment (strand diagram, red box) can form a stable hairpin. This might cause an unbound state of the staple segment from the scaffold that leads to a higher flexibility and thus a lower electron density in this region (cryo-EM map, red box). **(e)** The helix pair is not resolved well due to not realised possible crossovers (I = -scaffold, II = staple). **(f)** Crossover stack in the 8x8 domain of the Twisttower. At the position of the crossover stack (orange box) the helices are tied together.



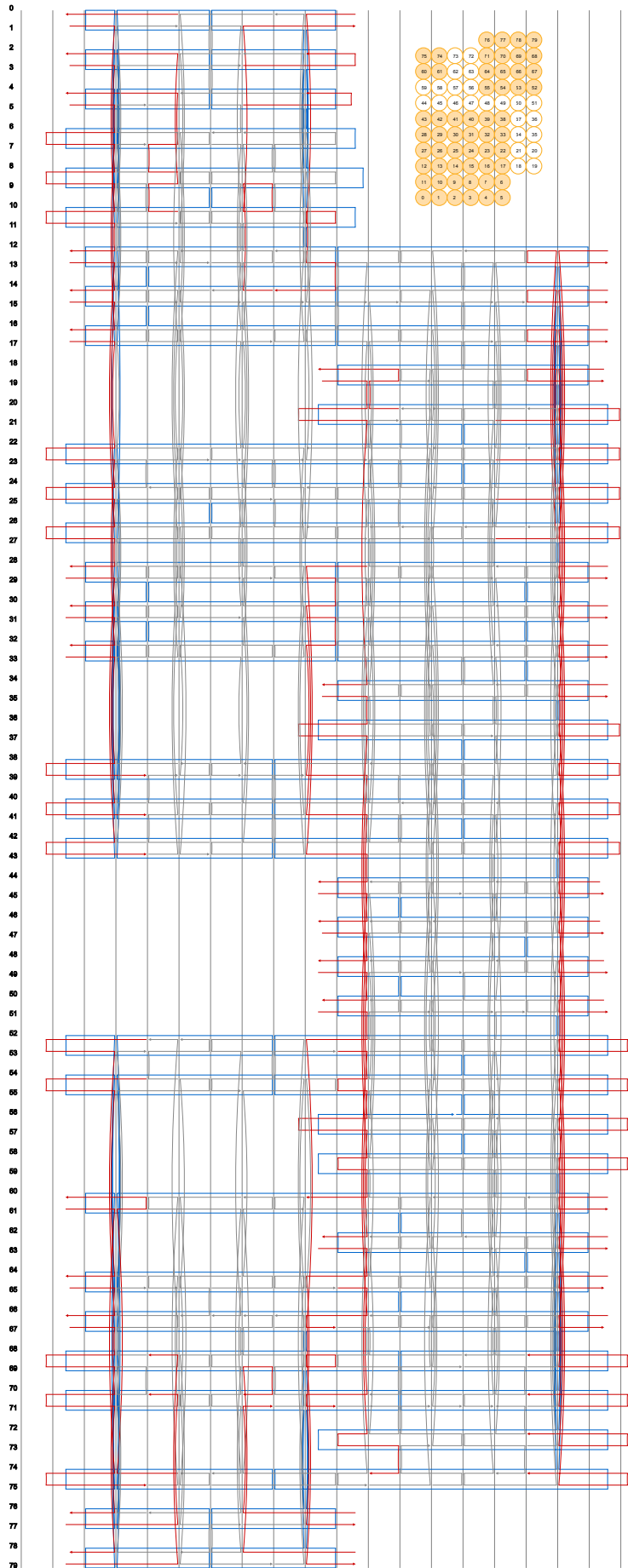
Supplementary Figure 42 | Deviations between ENRG-MD predictions and cryo-EM-map derived atomic models. Orange lines represent helical axes of the atomic models for **(a)** Twisttower, **(b)** twist-corrected Twisttower, **(c)** 48-helix Brick, **(d)** Pointer v2, **(e)** 126-helix bundle **(f)** 16-helix bundle aligned with the relaxed ENRG-MD predicted structures (blue). Connecting lines (grey) depict the displacement at every 2nd base position.



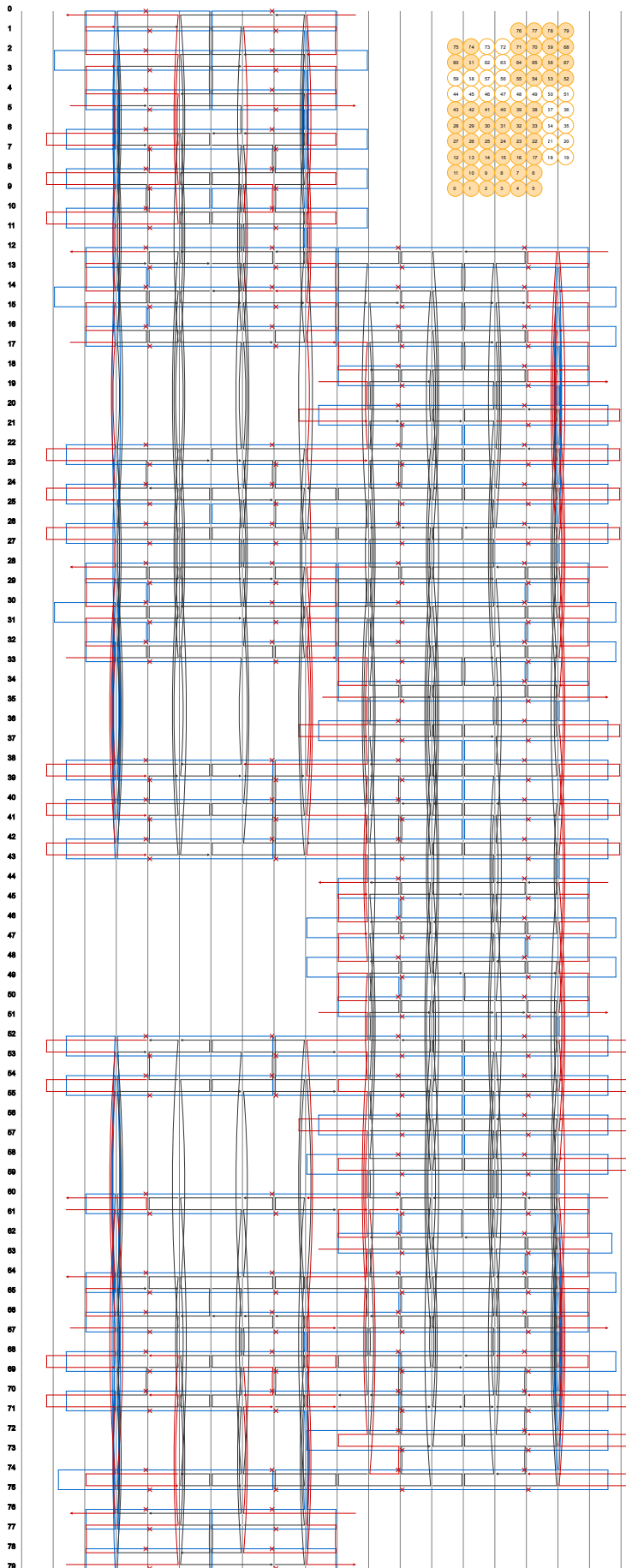
Supplementary Figure 43 | Strand diagram prepared with caDNAno. Object: 48 helix bricks. 0,1,2,4 thymidines were added algorithmically to each staple strand crossover after sequence output.



Supplementary Figure 44 | Strand diagram prepared with caDNAno.
Object: 126-helix barrel.

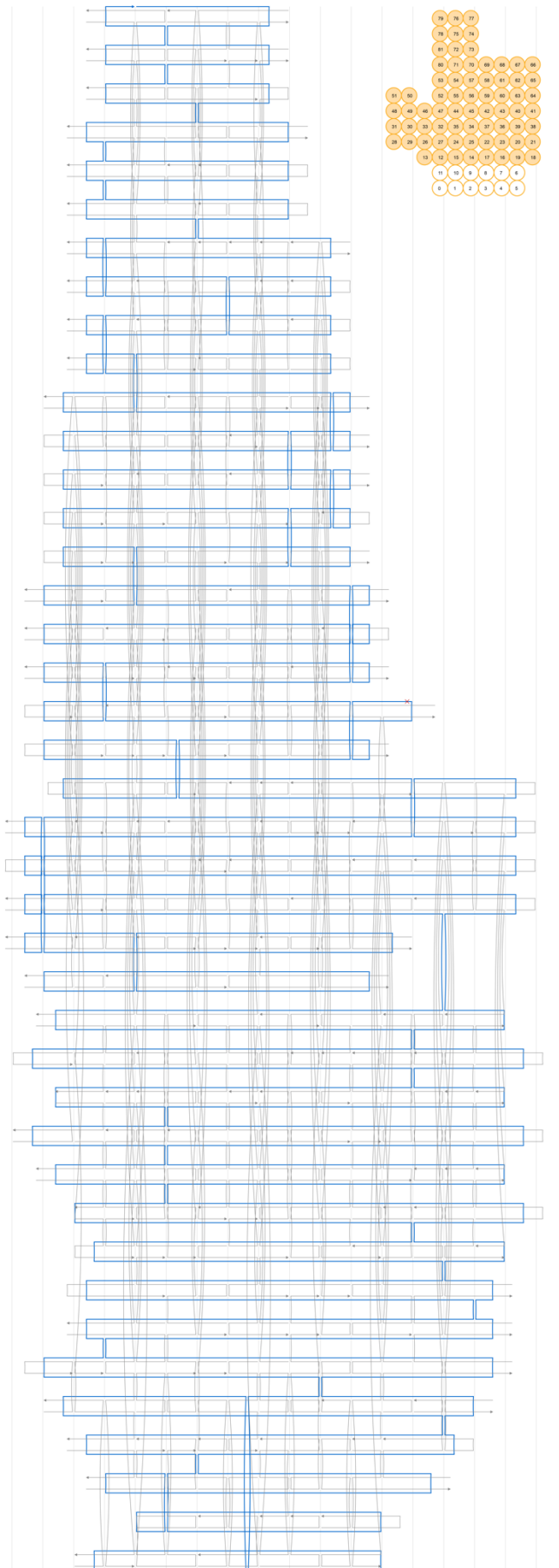


Supplementary Figure 45 |
Strand diagram prepared with
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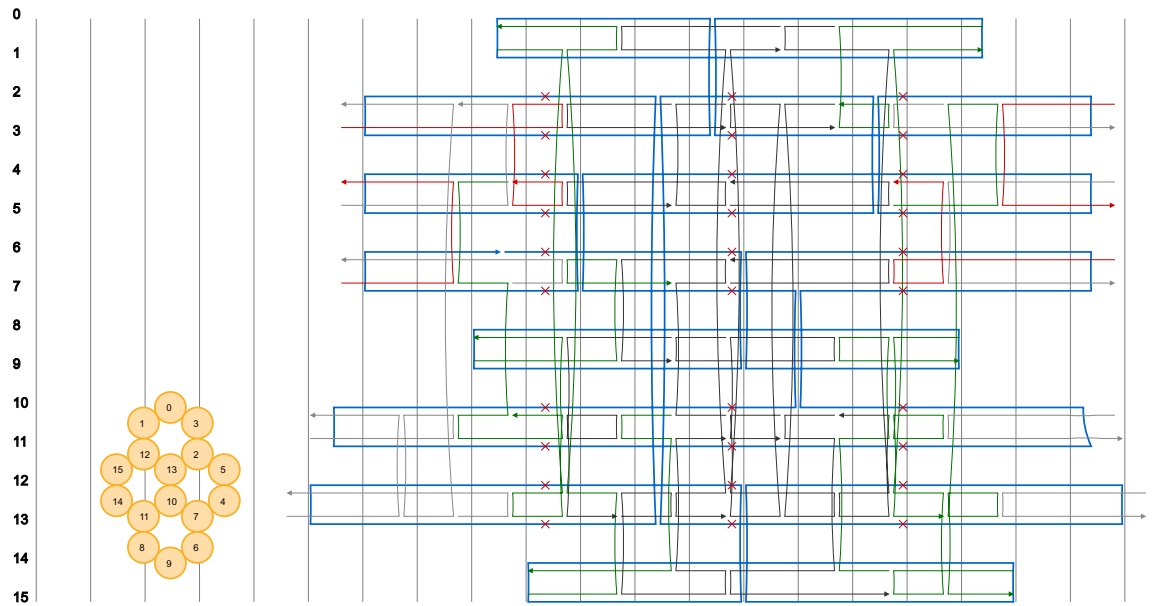


Supplementary Figure 46 |
Strand diagram prepared with
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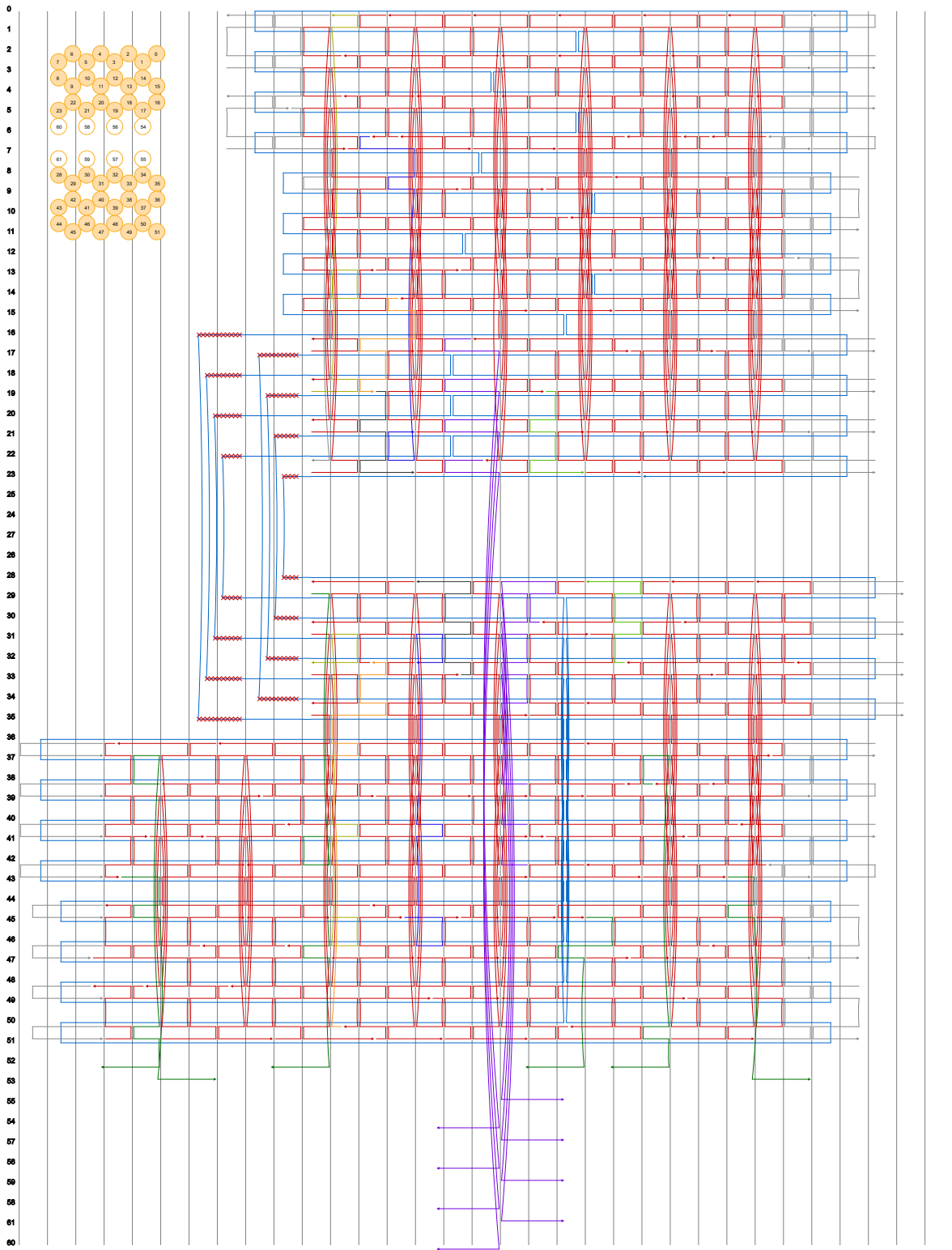
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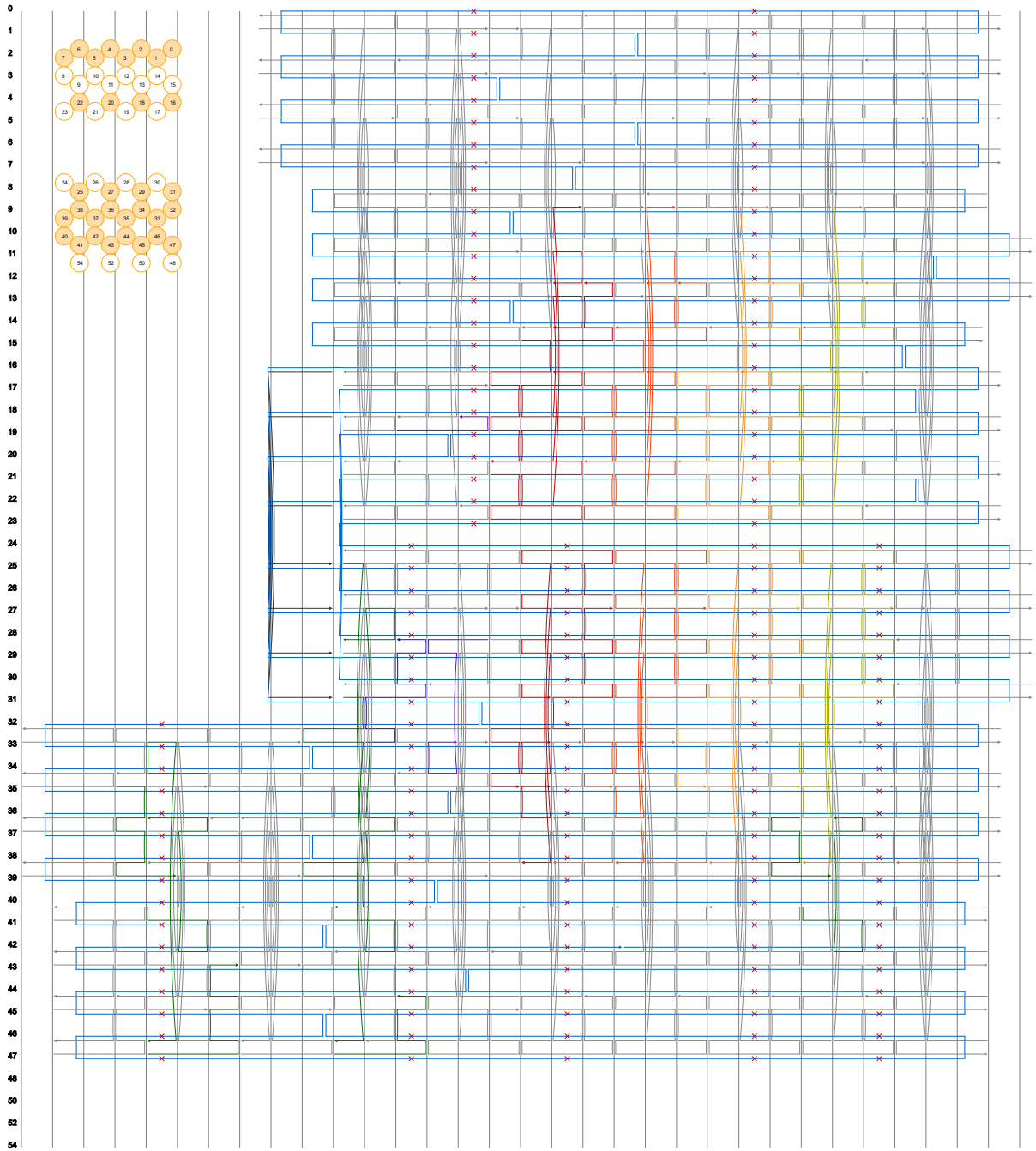
Supplementary Figure 47 | Strand diagram prepared with caDNAno. Object: pointer v2.



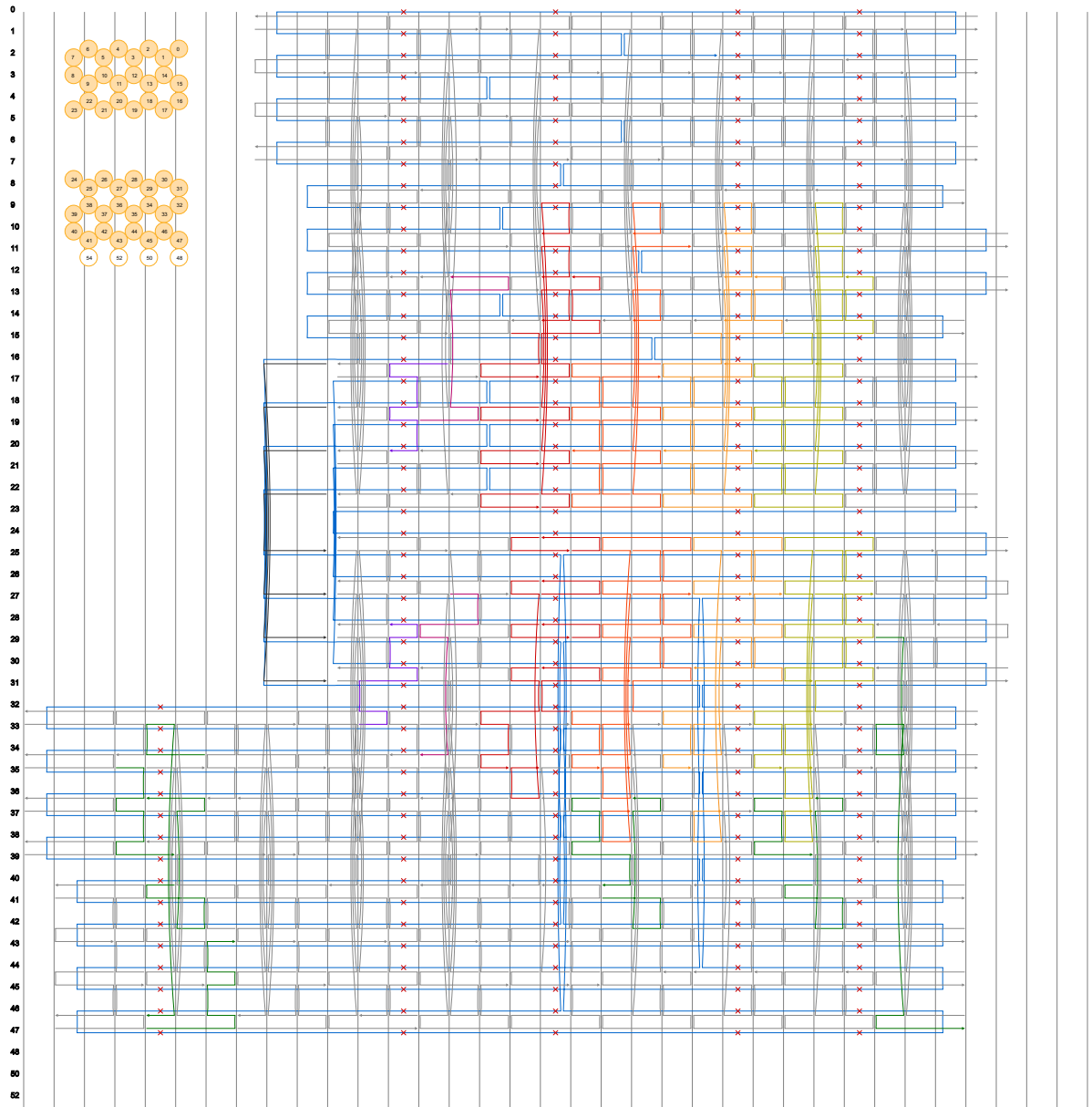
Supplementary Figure 48 | Strand diagram prepared with caDNAno. Object: 16 helix bundle.



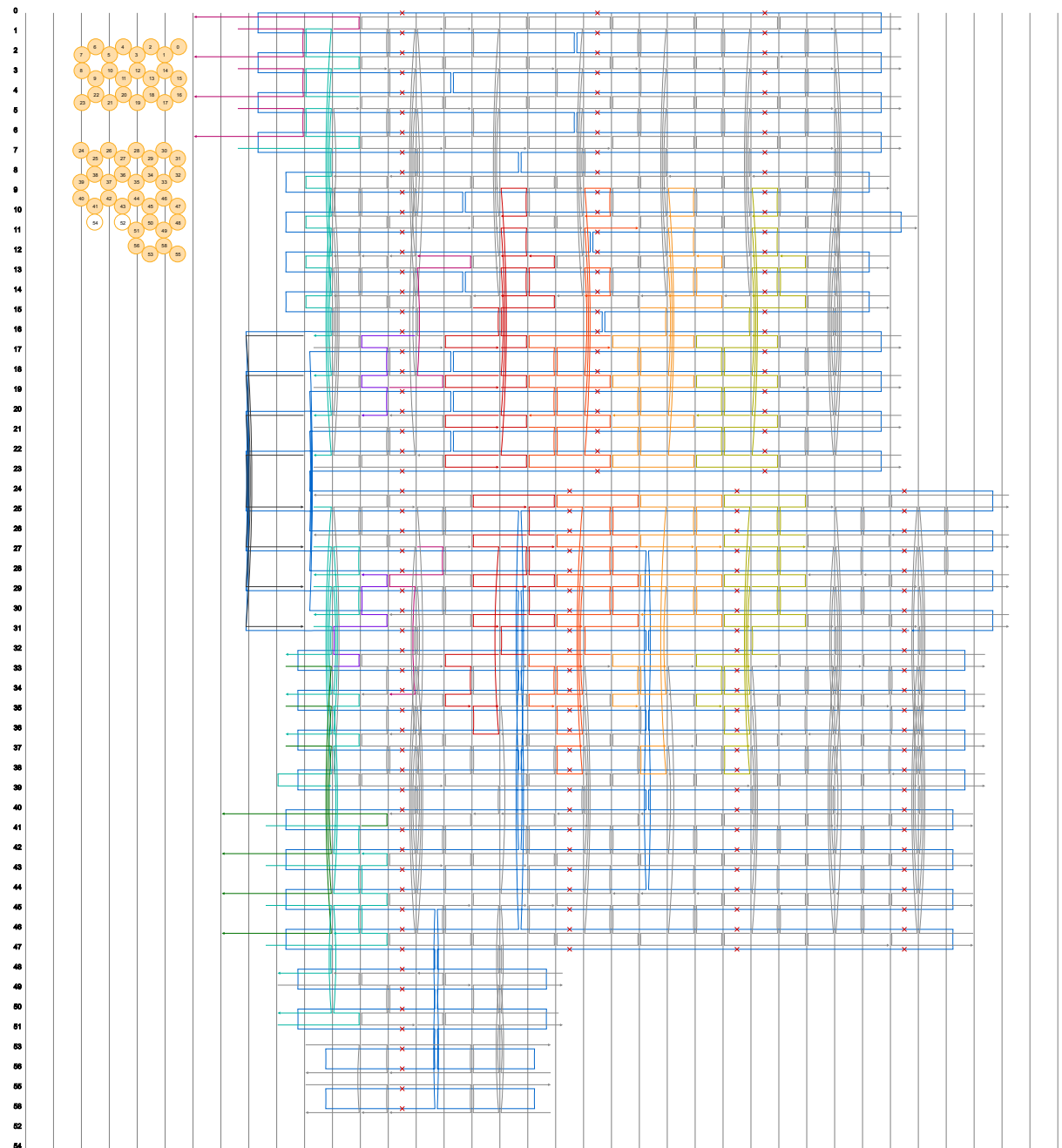
Supplementary Figure 49 | Strand diagram prepared with caDNAno. Object: hinged beam object v1.



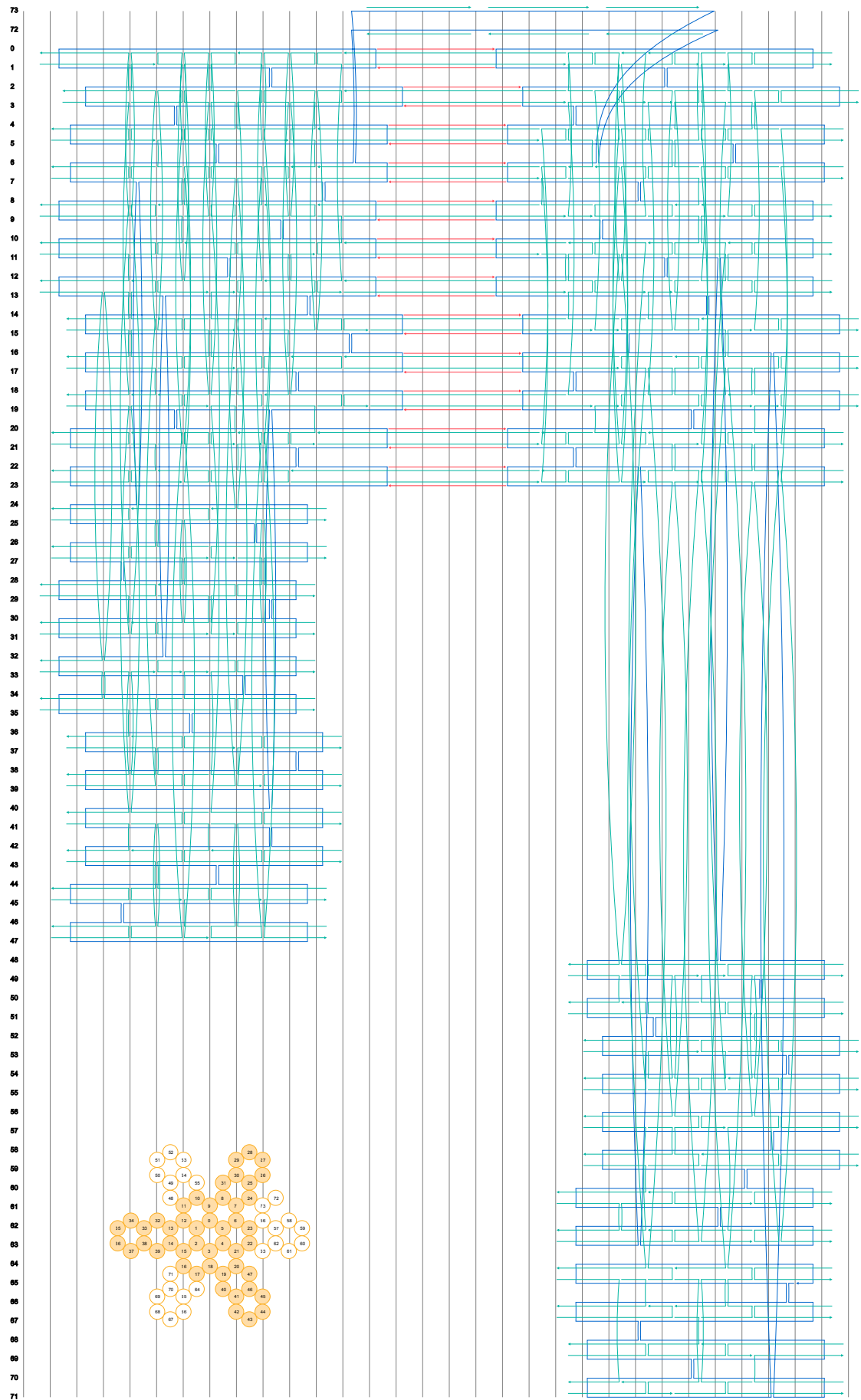
Supplementary Figure 50 | Strand diagram prepared with caDNAno. Object: hinged beam object v2.



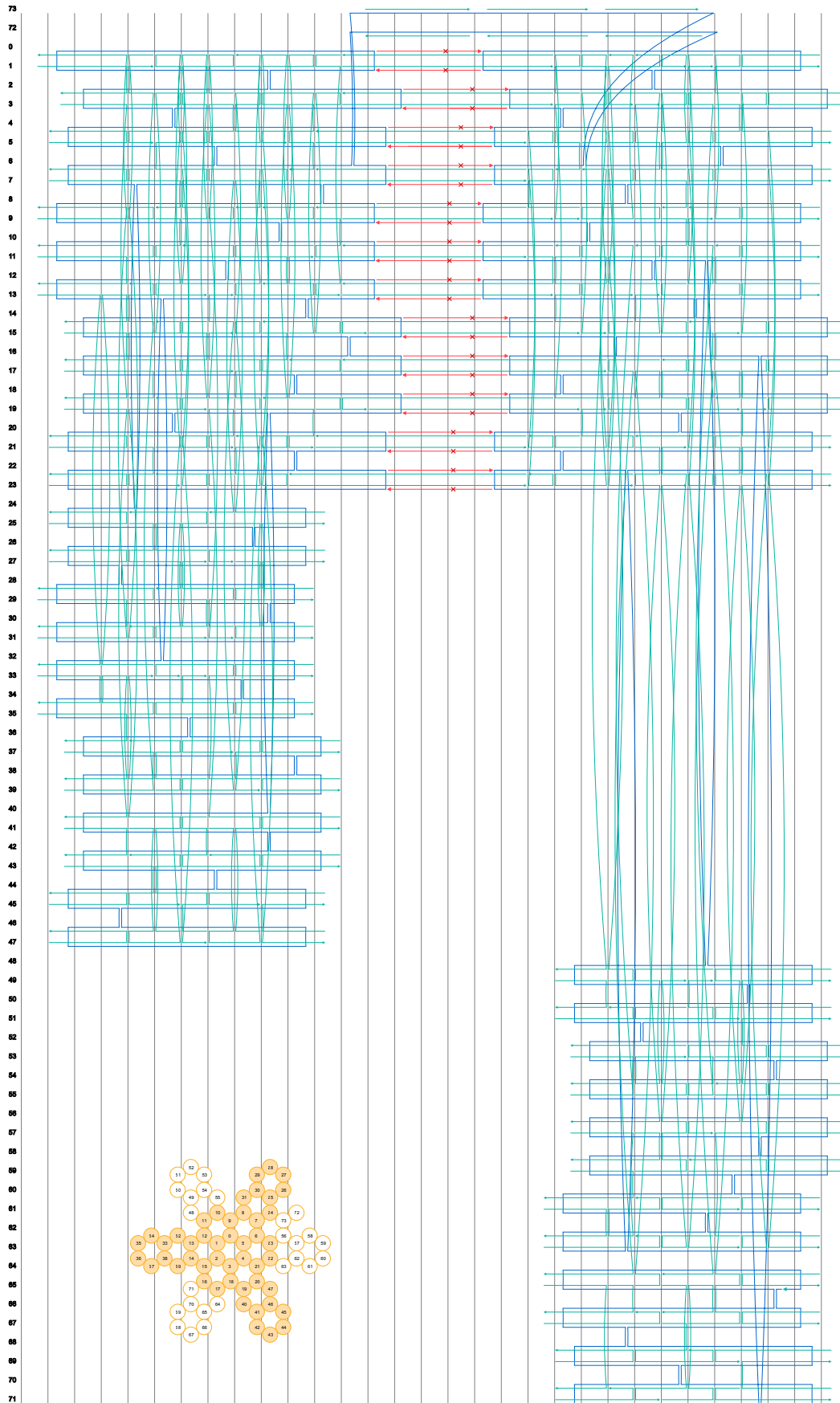
Supplementary Figure 51 | Strand diagram prepared with caDNAno. Object: hinged beam object v3.



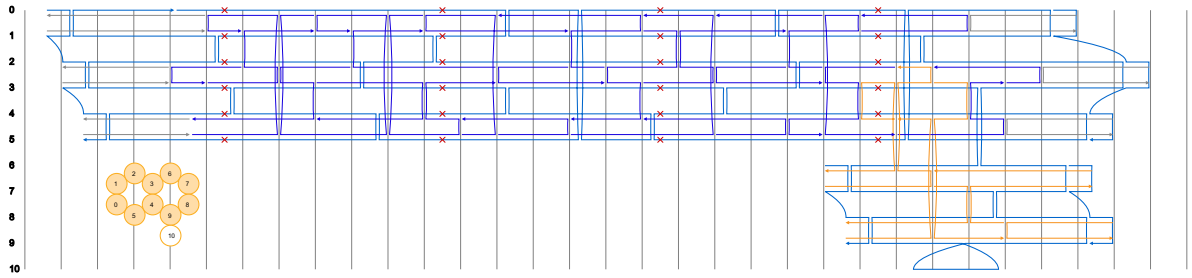
Supplementary Figure 52 | Strand diagram prepared with caDNAno. Object: hinged beam object v4.



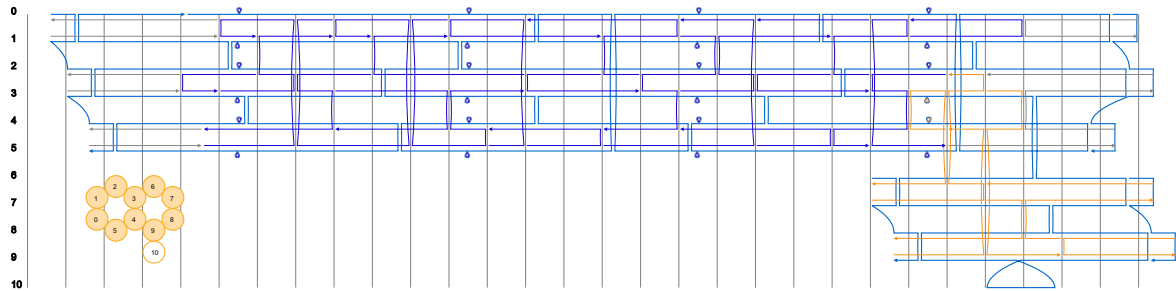
Supplementary Figure 53 | Strand diagram prepared with caDNAno. Object: dumbbell.



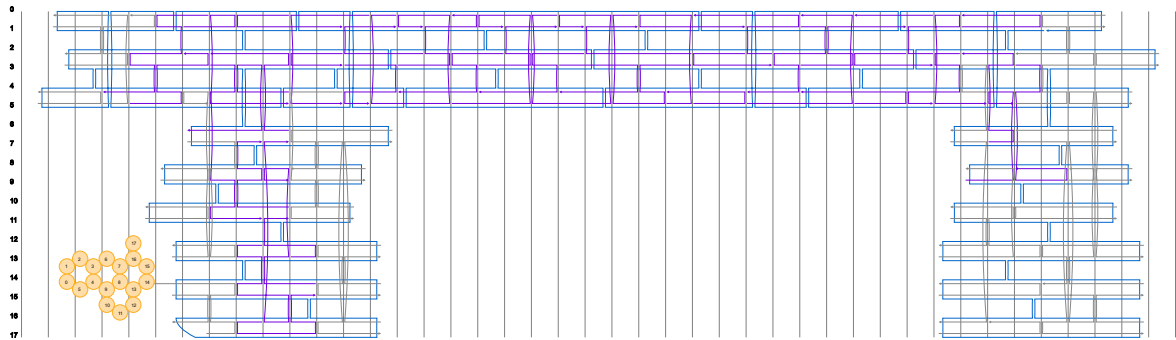
Supplementary Figure 54 | Strand diagram prepared with caDNAno. Object: dumbbell with skips.



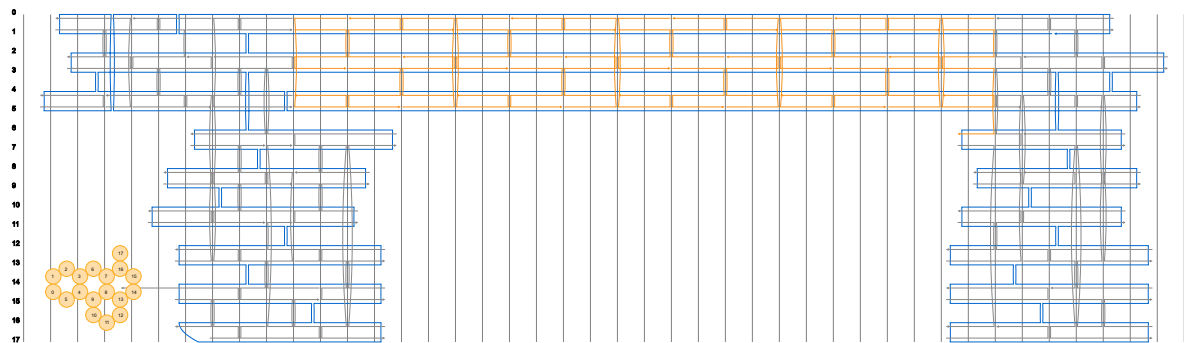
Supplementary Figure 55 | Strand diagram prepared with caDNAno. Object: six-helix-tube v1.



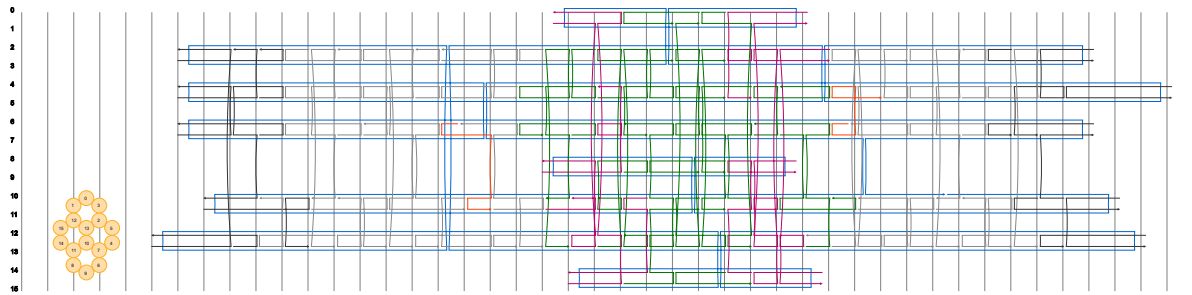
Supplementary Figure 56 | Strand diagram prepared with caDNAno. Object: six-helix-tube v2.



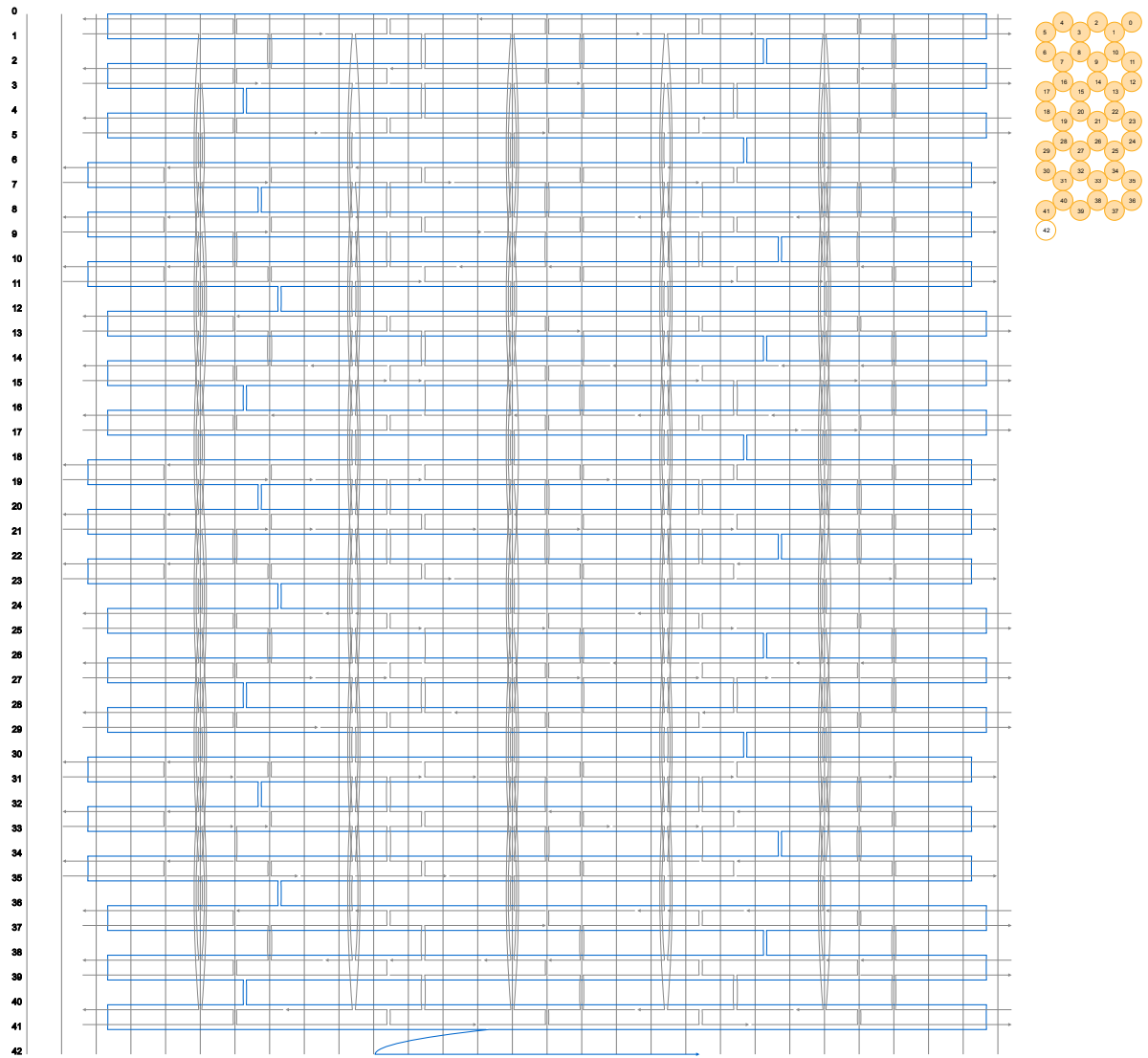
Supplementary Figure 57 | Strand diagram prepared with caDNAno. Object: six-helix-tube v3.



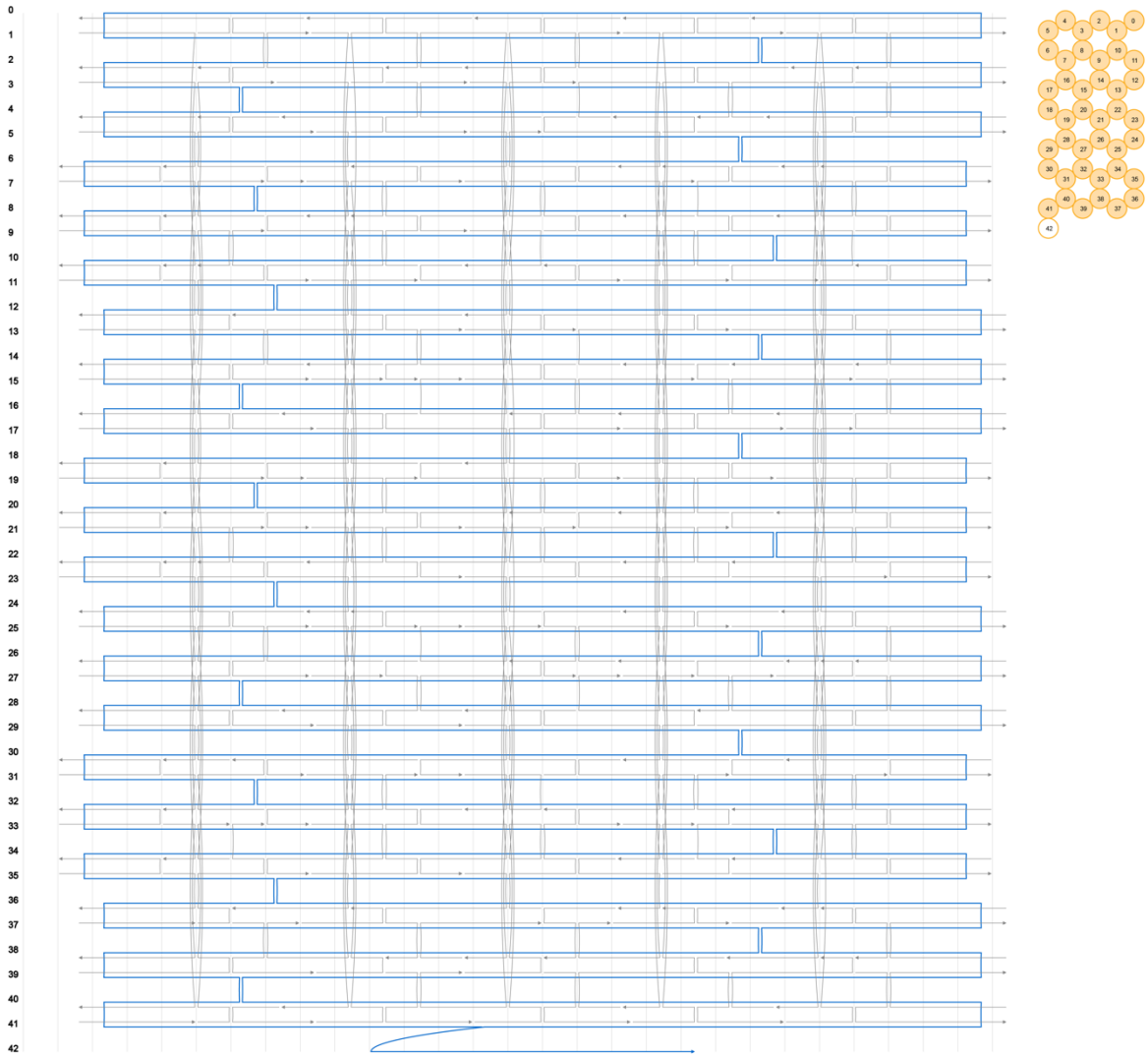
Supplementary Figure 58 | Strand diagram prepared with caDNAno. Object: six-helix-tube v4.



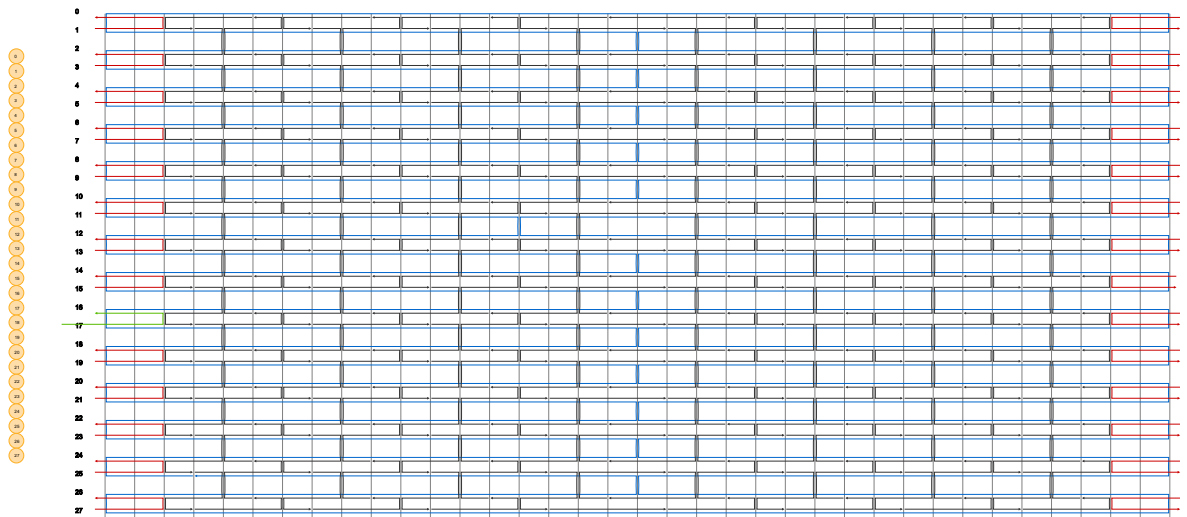
Supplementary Figure 59 | Strand diagram prepared with caDNAno. Object: 10 helix tube.



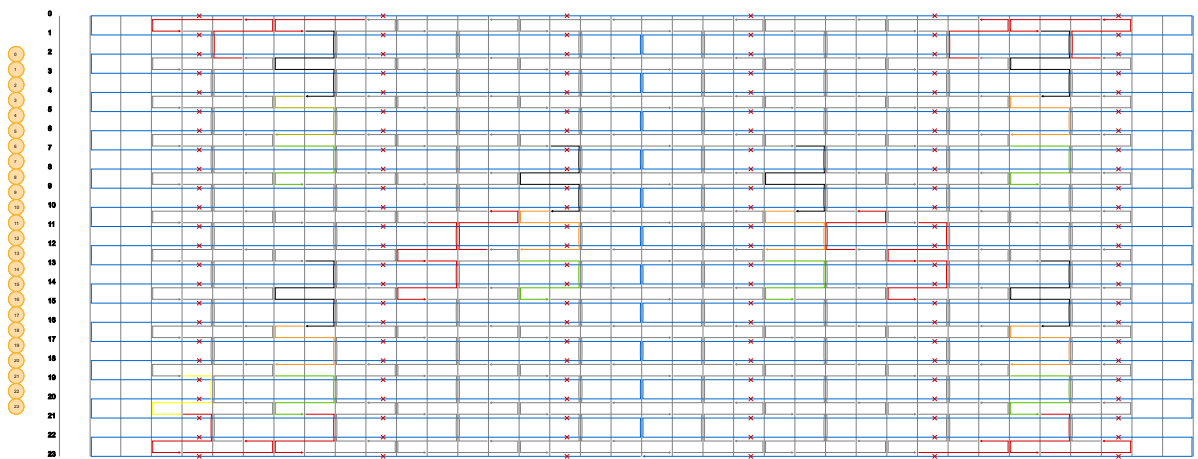
Supplementary Figure 60 | Strand diagram prepared with caDNAno. Object: 42 helix bundle with reduced staple end density.



Supplementary Figure 61 | Strand diagram prepared with caDNAno. Object: 42 helix bundle with aligned staple ends. For the 42 helix bundle with aligned staple ends and thymidines at the ends, the thymidines were added manually after sequence output.



Supplementary Figure 62 | Strand diagram prepared with caDNAno. Object: Rothmund rectangle, default design rules.



Supplementary Figure 63 | Strand diagram prepared with caDNAno. Object: twist corrected Rothmund rectangle.

SUPPLEMENTARY TABLES

	Structure	Resolution
previous publications	Pointer v1 [1]	12
	52-bp edge-length icosahedron (wireframe) [2]	20
	48 helix bundle connector brick [3]	21
	Nanobarrel [4]	7.5
	Rotor [5]	not stated
this publication	Twisttower	7.4
	Twisttower subpart (2x2x32bp, focussed scanning refinement)	4.3
	Twisttower twist-corrected variant	8.5
	Twisttower twist-corrected variant subpart (4x4 domain)	7.7
	126 helix bundle	9.8
	126 helix bundle subpart (slice)	8.2
	Pointer v2	7.4
	48 helix bundle	9.9
	48 helix bundle subpart (quarter)	9.2
	16 helix bundle	10

Supplementary Table 1 | Overview Resolutions

Structure	Concentration	Grid Type	Magnified Pixel Size [Å]	# used micrographs	#particles in final refinement
126 helix bundle_dataset_1	1.2µM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	1.39	2,734	67,819
126 helix bundle_dataset_2	1.2µM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	1.39	2,271	54,674
Dumbbell v1	1.3µM	C-Flat 1.2/1.3 4C	1.79	220	2,607
Dumbbell v2	1.0µM	C-Flat 1.2/1.3 4C	3.71	736	18,656
Twisttower_twist-corrected_variant_dataset 1	0.9µM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	1.39	876	19,815
Twisttower_twist-corrected_variant dataset 2	0.9µM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	1.39	5,035	75,019
Twisttower_dataset_1	1.5µM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	1.39	2,05	32,548
Twisttower_dataset_2	1.0µM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	1.39	4,866	80,415
Twisttower_dataset_3	2.3µM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	1.39	1496	46,738
Twisttower_dataset_4	2.0µM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	1.39	3623	172,78
Twisttower_dataset_5	1.75µM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	1.39	9244	350,111
48 helix bundle brick	500nM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	1.79	1491	31931
48 helix bundle brick with one T at all staple crossovers	200nM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	1.79	3893	59019
48 helix bundle brick with two Ts at all staple crossovers	500nM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	1.79	2600	30105
48 helix bundle brick with four Ts at all staple crossovers	500nM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	1.79	1639	14966
hinged-beam-like object v1	500nM	C-Flat 1.2/1.3 4C	2.3 (Phaseplate)	1435	21839
hinged-beam-like object v2	500nM	C-Flat 1.2/1.3 4C	2.3 (Phaseplate)	1521	5920
hinged-beam-like object v3	500nM	C-Flat 1.2/1.3 4C	2.3 (Phaseplate)	449	4530
hinged-beam-like object v4	1.0µM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	1.79	702	17924
42 helix bundle with aligned staple breaks	700nM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	2.3	1790	31128
42 helix bundle with aligned staple breaks UV point welded	500nM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	2.3	1582	28281
42 helix bundle with aligned staple breaks and 1T at termini	500nM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	1.79	1536	21674
42 helix bundle with aligned staple breaks and 1T at termini 1T UV point welded	500nM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	1.79	2080	15754
42 helix bundle with reduced staple density	500nM	C-Flat 1.2/1.3 4C	2.3	409	7553
42 helix bundle with reduced staple density UV point welded	500nM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	2.3	1228	20440
10 helix tube	1.2µM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	2.3 (Phaseplate)	421	3953
16 helix bundle	20nM	C-Flat 1.2/1.3 4C GO coated	2.3	480	44605
6 helix tube V1	1.4µM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	2.3	744	29932
6 helix tube V2	1.4µM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	1.79	989	50785
6 helix tube V3	900nM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	1.79	358	8968
6 helix tube V4	400nM	C-Flat 1.2/1.3 4C	2.3	2503	9763
rectangle variant with 8064 scaffold	1.6µM	C-Flat 2/1 4C	1.39	1167	9708
rectangle variant twist corrected	0.55µM	C-Flat 1.2/1.3 4C	1.39 (Phaseplate)	3365	7415
Pointer v2	50nM	Quantifoil gold 1.2/1.3 4C GO coated	1.79	2381	281527

Supplementary Table 2| Cryo grid preparation and data acquisition details.

	Overall Resolution [Å]	Masked CCC Fitted Model	RMSD ENRG-MD vs Fitted Model [Å]
Twisttower	7.0	0.927	16.455
Twisttower twist corrected variant	8.1	0.941	10.987
48 helix bundle Brick	9.9	0.932	14.927
16 helix bundle	10.0	0.940	10.307
Pointer V2	7.4	0.874	9.656
126 helix bundle	8.8	0.909	13.560

Supplementary Table 3 | Cross-correlation coefficients for each of the six fitted atomic models and deviation from ENRG-MD initial models. Cryo-maps have been masked, simulated maps have been created at the reported resolution of the experimental map. For each model a reference ENRG-MD simulation has been performed and its RMSD to the fitted model calculated.

STRUCTURE	SCAFFOLD TYPE(S) AND CONCENTRATION	#OLIGONUCLEOTIDES, CONCENTRATION	MAGNESIUM IN FOLDING BUFFER	ANNEALING RAMP	PURIFICATION METHOD	CONCENTRATION METHOD
126 HELIX BUNDLE	7560 @ 20nM, Csv2 @ 20nM	#453, each @ 200nM	25mM	60-40°C, 3h/°C	filter	filter
TWISTTOWER SAMPLE 1 (DATASET 1)	8064 @ 50nM	#194, each @ 200nM	20mM	56-53°C, 1h/°C	filter	filter
SAMPLE 2 (DATASET 2-4)	8064 @ 50nM	#194, each @ 200nM	20mM	54-53°C, 2h/°C	filter	filter
SAMPLE 3 (DATASET 5)	8064 @ 50nM	#194, each @ 200nM	20mM	54-53°C, 2h/°C	filter	filter
TWISTTOWER TWIST CORRECTED VARIANT	8064 @ 20nM	#191, each @ 200nM	20mM	60-44°C, 1h/°C	filter	filter
DUMBELL V1	7249 @ 50nM	#204, each @ 200nM	25mM	60-44°C, 1h/°C	filter	filter
DUMBELL V2	7249 @ 50nM	#204, each @ 200nM	25mM	60-44°C, 1h/°C	filter	filter
48 HELIX BUNDLE BRICK	8064 @50nM	#211, each @ 200nM	20mM	60-44°C, 1h/°C	PEG	filter
48 HELIX BUNDLE BRICK WITH ONE T AT ALL STAPLE CROSSOVERS	8064 @50nM	#211, each @ 200nM	20mM	60-44°C, 1h/°C	PEG	filter
48 HELIX BUNDLE BRICK WITH TWO TS AT ALL STAPLE CROSSOVERS	8064 @50nM	#211, each @ 200nM	20mM	60-44°C, 2h/°C	PEG	filter
48 HELIX BUNDLE BRICK WITH FOUR TS AT ALL STAPLE CROSSOVERS	8064 @50nM	#211, each @ 200nM	20mM	60-44°C, 1h/°C	PEG	filter
HINGED-BEAM-LIKE OBJECT V1	7560 @50nM	#188, each @ 200nM	20mM	58-56;52-50°C, 2h/°C	PEG	filter
HINGED-BEAM-LIKE OBJECT V2	8064 @50nM	#210, each @ 200nM	20mM	60-44°C, 1h/°C	PEG	filter
HINGED-BEAM-LIKE OBJECT V3	8064 @50nM	#219, each @ 200nM	20mM	60-44°C, 1h/°C	PEG	filter
HINGED-BEAM-LIKE OBJECT V4	8064 @50nM	#209, each @ 200nM	20mM	60-44°C, 1h/°C	PEG	filter
42 HELIX BUNDLE WITH ALIGNED STAPLE BREAKS	7560 @50nM	#213, each @ 200nM	20mM	60-44°C, 1h/°C	PEG	filter
42 HELIX BUNDLE WITH ALIGNED STAPLE BREAKS AND ONE T AT TERMINI	7560 @50nM	#219, each @ 200nM	20mM	60-44°C, 1h/°C	PEG	filter
42 HELIX BUNDLE WITH REDUCED STAPLE DENSITY	7560 @50nM	#161, each @ 200nM	20mM	60-44°C, 1h/°C	PEG	filter
10 HELIX tube	2873 @50nM	#99, each @ 200nM	15mM	60-45°C, 1h/°C	PEG	filter
16 HELIX BUNDLE	1317 @50nM	#46, each @ 200nM	15mM	60-45°C, 1h/°C	PEG	filter
6 HELIX tube V1	1317 @50nM	#39, each @ 200nM	15mM	60-45°C, 1h/°C	PEG	filter
6 HELIX tube V2	1317 @50nM	#40, each @ 200nM	15mM	60-45°C, 1h/°C	PEG	filter
6 HELIX tube V3	2873 @50nM	#79, each @ 200nM	15mM	60-45°C, 1h/°C	PEG	filter
6 HELIX tube V4	2873 @20nM	#77, each @ 200nM	15mM	60-45°C, 1h/°C	HPLC	filter
RECTANGLE VARIANT WITH 8064 SCAFFOLD	8064 @40nM	#188, each @266nM	20mM	64-54°C, 5min/°C + 55-40°C, 1min/°C	filter	filter
RECTANGLE VARIANT TWIST CORRECTED	7249 @50nM	#186, each @ 200nM	12.5mM	65-45°C, 2min/°C	PEG	filter
POINTER V2	7249 @50nM	#202, each @ 200nM	20mM	56-44°C, 3h/°C	filter	filter

Supplementary Table 4 | DNA origami self-assembly reaction details.

STRUCTURE	EMDB ID	PDB ID
Twisttower	EMD-11379	7ARV
Twisttower twist corrected variant	EMD-11378	7ARY
pointer object v2	EMD-11881	7ARE
126 helix bundle	EMD-11170	7AS5
16 helix bundle	EMD-11367	7ARQ
48 helix bundle brick	EMD-11387	7ART
48 helix bundle brick with 1t at staple crossovers	EMD-11343	
48 helix bundle brick with 2t at staple crossovers	EMD-11344	
48 helix bundle brick with 4t at staple crossovers	EMD-11345	
10 helix bundle	EMD-11355	
6 helix tube v1	EMD-11351	
6 helix tube v2	EMD-11352	
6 helix tube v3	EMD-11353	
6 helix tube v4	EMD-11354	
hinged beam like object v1	EMD-11346	
hinged beam like object v2	EMD-11348	
hinged beam like object v3	EMD-11349	
hinged beam like object v4	EMD-11350	
dumbbell_1	EMD-11159	
dumbbell_2	EMD-11168	
42 helix bundle with aligned staple breaks	EMD-11294	
42 helix bundle with aligned staple breaks after UV illumination	EMD-10993	
42 helix bundle with aligned staple breaks and 1t at staple termini	EMD-11295	
42 helix bundle with aligned staple breaks and 1t at staple termini after UV illumination	EMD-11296	
42 helix bundle with reduced staple density	EMD-11297	
42 helix bundle with reduced staple density after UV illumination	EMD-11298	

Supplementary Table 5 | EMDB and PDB codes

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