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**Statistically correcting dynamical electron scattering improves refinement of protein nanocrystals, including charge refinement of coordinated metals**

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**Table S1** Insulin data acquisition and integration statistics of individual crystals used for data merging

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<b>Data collection</b>	(03)	(05)	(06)	(07)	(Ins-05)	(Ins-20)	(Ins-22)
Wavelength (Å)	0.02508						
Frame exposure (s)	0.6	1.5	1.2	1.2	0.6	0.6	0.6
Number of frames	50	60	65	60	80	70	90
Total exposure time (s)	30	90	78	72	48	42	54
$\Phi_{\text{total}}$ (°)	9.3	19.1	16.6	21.9	30.2	26.5	34.0
$\Delta\varphi$ (°/frame)	0.1855	0.3179	0.2556	0.3654	0.3779	0.3779	0.3779
Detector distance (mm)	900	900	900	900	1890	1890	1890
<b>Data processing</b>							
Space group	<b>R3 (H3)</b>	<b>R3 (H3)</b>	<b>R3 (H3)</b>	<b>R3 (H3)</b>	<b>R3 (H3)</b>	<b>R3 (H3)</b>	<b>R3 (H3)</b>
Unit cell dimensions							
a, b, c (Å)	a=b=82.54 c=33.50	a=b=82.56 c=33.51	a=b=82.41 c=33.15	a=b=82.40 c=33.46	a=b=82.65 c=33.67	a=b=83.05 c=33.64	a=b=82.46 c=34.02
$\alpha, \beta, \gamma$ (°)	90, 90, 120	90, 90, 120	90, 90, 120	90, 90, 120	90, 90, 120	90, 90, 120	90, 90, 120
Resolution (Å)	22.6 – 3.53 (5.0 – 3.53)	17.1 – 3.12 (3.49 – 3.12)	23.8 – 3.12 (3.49 – 3.12)	20.60 – 3.02 (3.31 – 3.02)	24.53 – 3.30 (3.69 – 3.30)	21.14 – 3.17 (3.54 – 3.17)	30.73 – 3.67 (4.24 – 3.67)
$R_{\text{meas}}$	0.297 (0.313)	0.254 (0.645)	0.231 (0.619)	0.238 (0.704)	0.205 (0.882)	0.196 (1.04)	0.133 (0.477)
I/ $\sigma$ I	3.63 (3.31)	3.33 (1.54)	3.55 (1.44)	3.88 (1.12)	3.11 (1.03)	11.2 (3.35)	4.47 (2.58)
Completeness (%)	14.6 (14.8)	30.9 (32.1)	25.2 (24.8)	34.2 (36.7)	38.4 (4.1)	34.0 (33.7)	40.0 (39.1)
Reflections	273 (183)	873 (264)	731 (213)	1034 (265)	616 (204)	599 (205)	479 (155)
Unique reflections	153 (100)	470 (139)	378 (107)	571 (149)	493 (153)	504 (147)	380 (131)
redundancy	1.78	1.86	1.93	1.81	1.25	1.19	1.26
$R_{\text{sym}}$	0.211 (0.222)	0.181 (0.457)	0.171 (0.457)	0.169 (0.499)	0.147 (0.624)	0.141 (0.743)	0.096 (0.337)
$CC_{1/2}$	0.946 (0.903)	0.964 (0.804)	0.970 (0.823)	0.955 (0.772)	0.976 (0.632)	0.994 (0.465)	0.987 (0.795)
<b>Correlation with X-ray data (resol 50 – 4.0 Å)</b>							
Indexation 1	0.77	0.56	0.65	0.70	0.66	0.74	0.65
Indexation 2	0.22	0.30	-0.03	0.06	0.03	0.03	0.14

**Table S2** Thermolysin data acquisition and integration statistics of individual crystals used for data merging

Data collection	1	2
Wavelength (Å)	0.02508	0.02508
Frame exposure (s)	0.6	0.8
Number of frames	90	135
Total exposure time (s)	54	108
$\Phi_{\text{total}}$ (°)	16.74	34.14
$\Delta\varphi$ (°/frame)	0.186	0.25289
Detector distance (mm)	1290.2	2345
Exposure dose (e.Å <sup>-1</sup> .s <sup>-1</sup> )	0.0141	0.0141
<b>Data integration</b>		
Space group	<i>P</i> 6 <sub>1</sub> 22	<i>P</i> 6 <sub>1</sub> 22
Unit cell dimensions		
a, b, c (Å)	92.00, 92.00, 127.48	91.56, 91.56, 127.70
$\alpha, \beta, \gamma$ (°)	90, 90, 120	90, 90, 120
Resolution (Å)	14.58-3.26 (3.34-3.26)	15.56-3.48 (3.57-3.48)
R <sub>meas</sub>	0.472 (1.00)	0.745 (1.75)
I/σI	2.10 (1.08)	1.67 (1.01)
Completeness (%)	70.6 (71.6)	67.6 (68.8)
Reflections	9351 (679)	9447 (946)
Unique reflections	3800 (282)	2994 (220)

**Table S3** Thaumatin data acquisition and integration statistics of individual crystals used for data merging

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>Data collection</b>	(21)	(33)	(19)	(30)	(27)	(08)	(14)	(16)	(10)	(09)
Wavelength (Å)	0.02508									
Frame exposure (s)	1.2	1.2	1.2	2.4	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
Number of frames	100	185	127	50	180	180	190	170	150	100
Total expo-sure time (s)	120	222	152.4	120	216	216	228	204	180	120
$\Phi_{\text{total}}$ (°)	7.3	13.505	9.271	7.3	13.14	13.14	13.87	12.41	10.95	7.3
$\Delta\phi$ (°/frame)	0.073	0.073	0.073	0.146	0.073	0.073	0.073	0.073	0.073	0.073
Detector distance (mm)	2345	2345	2345	2345	2345	2345	2345	2345	2345	2345

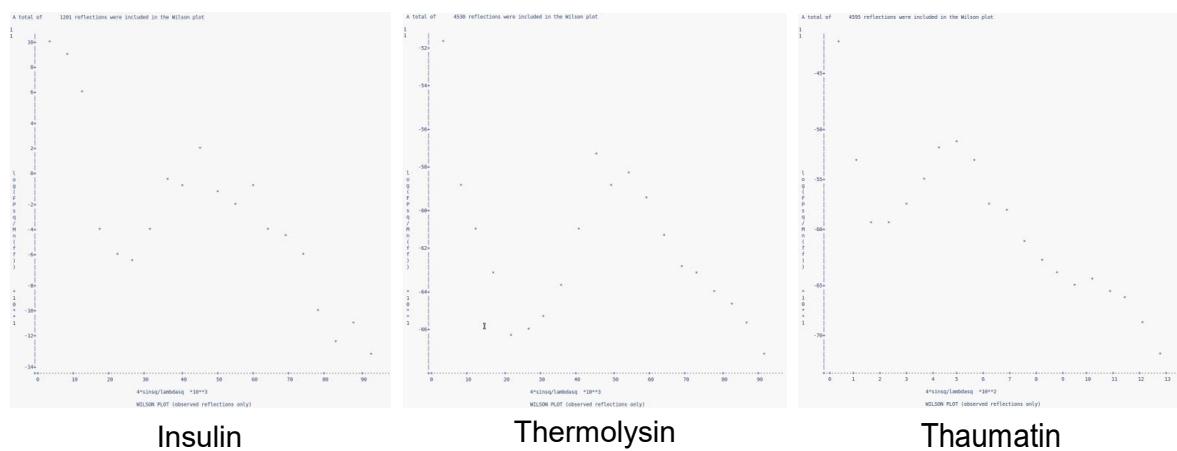
  

<b>Data integration</b>										
Space group	<i>P</i> 4 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub> 2									
Unit cell dimensions										
a, b, c (Å)	57.72, 57.72, 149.17									
$\alpha, \beta, \gamma$ (°)	90, 90, 90									
Resolution (Å)	10.69- 2.76 (2.86- 2.76)	11.69- 3.24 (3.37- 3.24)	8.83-3.12 (3.34- 3.12)	9.81-3.10 (3.27- 3.10)	11.74- 3.39 (3.54- 3.39)	12.26- 3.40 (3.54- 3.40)	12.01- 3.33 (3.47- 3.33)	10.66- 3.77 (4.03- 3.77)	10.49- 3.16 (3.32- 3.16)	8.630- 3.26 (3.52- 3.26)
R <sub>meas</sub>	0.390 (0.998)	0.417 (0.948)	0.577 (1.21)	0.388 (1.06)	0.456 (0.954)	0.524 (1.10)	0.522 (1.11)	0.764 (1.08)	0.484 (1.20)	0.592 (1.85)
I/σ(I)	2.58 (1.10)	2.20 (1.06)	1.59 (1.01)	1.97 (1.02)	1.79 (1.05)	1.66 (1.00)	2.31 (1.09)	1.54 (1.02)	2.81 (1.12)	2.26 (1.08)
Completeness (%)	21.7 (21.9)	29.7 (31.5)	17.0 (19.5)	20.5 (24.1)	31.0 (35.0)	34.7 (38.7)	31.3 (35.9)	29.1 (32.8)	22.4 (22.7)	15.7 (17.5)
Reflections	2682 (311)	2834 (397)	2114 (489)	1690 (327)	2374 (358)	2214 (308)	2280 (344)	1542 (368)	2222 (376)	1333 (352)
Unique reflections	1517 (145)	1309 (151)	837 (166)	1029 (171)	1201 (153)	1329 (154)	1282 (163)	837 (166)	1064 (138)	681 (150)

**Table S4** Parametrization of electron atomic scattering factors for Zn and Ca ions, using the 5 gaussians model. Parameters were fitted to data in the range  $0.02 \leq \sin\theta / \lambda \leq 0.5$

	a1, b1	a2, b2	a3, b3	a4, b4	a5, b5	R <sub>scat</sub> (%)
$\text{Zn}^{+0.5}$	2.91473	2.83557	4.13357	63.2726	15.0154	0.18
	2.77406	30.9254	187.481	3600.28	885.604	
$\text{Zn}^{+0.75}$	2.96853	22.8485	3.0442	95.0852	6.2312	0.20
	2.86011	919.772	33.842	3649.59	207.334	
$\text{Zn}^{+1}$	3.01042	126.93	30.7484	8.42183	3.2772	0.21
	2.92881	3682.27	942.7	220.231	36.6377	
$\text{Zn}^{+2}$	3.12034	62.9056	254.57	17.7729	4.53073	0.22
	3.12016	1000.92	3764.19	251.618	47.6443	
$\text{Ca}^{+0.5}$	2.84711	3.7506	63.0883	5.76723	14.6981	0.20
	3.8095	34.3279	3527.94	153.973	836.477	
$\text{Ca}^{+0.75}$	2.91939	3.9753	7.29405	22.5015	94.8902	0.22
	3.92932	37.149	179.917	882.291	3595.47	
$\text{Ca}^{+1}$	2.97364	126.761	4.13874	30.4422	9.10789	0.23
	4.01986	3645.44	39.4108	916.795	200.748	
$\text{Ca}^{+2}$	3.11407	4.58655	62.7958	254.521	17.7083	0.23
	4.25523	46.2978	997.095	3758.58	249.738	

$$R_{\text{scat}} = 100 * \sum |F_{\text{int.Tables}}(s) - F_{\text{5G}}(s)| / \sum |F_{\text{int.Tables}}(s)|$$



**Figure S1** Wilson plots of electron diffraction data for the three proteins.

## S1. Data correction for dynamical scattering

### S1.1. Theory

The likelihood-based correction described in (Clabbers et al., 2019) has been adapted in order to consider all measured intensities, including negative ones, in the calculation of the correction factor. The latter is calculated by comparing  $I_o(\mathbf{h})$  versus  $|F_c(\mathbf{h})|^2$  instead of  $|F_o(\mathbf{h})|$  versus  $|F_c(\mathbf{h})|$ . The observed overestimation of weaker intensities  $I_o(\mathbf{h})$  in comparison to squared calculated amplitude  $|F_c(\mathbf{h})|^2$  has been attributed to a resolution dependent dynamical electron scattering term  $I_e$ , and we assumed the following approximation for the expected value of  $I_o(\mathbf{h})$ :

$$(1) \langle I_o(\mathbf{h}) \rangle = (|F_c(\mathbf{h})|^4 + I_e^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$I_e$  is estimated by minimizing the sum within a chosen resolution bin:

$$(2) \sum_h (I_o(h) - (|F_c(h)|^4 + I_e^2)^{\frac{1}{2}})^2$$

The corrected intensity  $I_{corr}(\mathbf{h})$  is then provided by:

$$(3) I_{corr}(h) = \frac{|F_c(h)|^2}{(|F_c(h)|^4 + I_e^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} I_o(h) \text{ and } \sigma(I_{corr}(h)) = \frac{|F_c(h)|^2}{(|F_c(h)|^4 + I_e^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \sigma(I_o(h))$$

### S1.2. Methods

The three protein structures have been first refined against uncorrected structure factors using *REFMAC*. The final mtz file generated by *REFMAC* (refmac-out.mtz) contains the observed structure factors (F and SIGF), scaled to calculated structure factors (FC\_ALL). In order to scale original intensities to the final calculated structure factors, one should first merge the original mtz file, original.mtz, containing unscaled IMEAN, SIGIMEAN, F, SIGF and the mtz file output by *REFMAC* (refmac-out.mtz) with *CAD* (ccp4 suite, (Winn et al., 2011)) and then do the scaling with *SCALEIT* (ccp4 suite). The following script will perform these two tasks (unscaled F and IMEAN are scaled to scaled observed structure factors provided by *REFMAC*):

```
#/bin/csh
```

```

#
cad HKLIN1 original.mtz HKLIN2 refmac-out.mtz.mtz HKLOUT cad-tmp.mtz > scale-
Imean.out << eof-cad
LABI FILE 1 E1=IMEAN E2=SIGIMEAN E3=F E4=SIGF E5=FreeR_flag
LABI FILE 2 E1=F E2=SIGF E3=FC_ALL E4=PHIC_ALL
LABO FILE 1 E1=IMEAN E2=SIGIMEAN E3=F E4=SIGF E5=FreeR_flag
LABO FILE 2 E1=FR E2=SIGFR E3=FC_ALL E4=PHIC_ALL
END
eof-cad
#
scaleit hklin cad-tmp.mtz hklout scaled-I.mtz >> scale-Imean.out << eof-sca
LABIN FP=FR SIGFP=SIGFR FPH1=F SIGFPH1=SIGF IMEAN1=IMEAN SIGIMEAN1=SIGIMEAN
REFINE ANISOTROPIC
NOWT
eof-sca
#

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Then, the program *MTZ2VARIOUS* (ccp4 suite) can be used to produce an ascii file containing scaled IMEAN, SIGIMEAN and FC\_ALL. These two columns can be imported in a spreadsheet software, such Microsoft Excel or LibreOffice. The use of the solver enables to determine  $I_e$  by minimizing  $\sum_h(I_o(h) - (|F_c(h)|^4 + I_e^2)^{\frac{1}{2}})^2$ . The corrected intensities  $I_{corr}(h)$  can then be calculated using equation (3), either in the spreadsheet software or using the build-in functions and arithmetic operators available in *SFTOOLS* (ccp4 suite, (Winn et al., 2011)).

An example of *SFTOOLS* script is provided below (here  $I_e^2 = 142665$ ):

```

#!/bin/bash
sftools << eof | tee sfcorr.log
READ scaled-I.mtz
CALC col A = col FC_ALL
CALC col B = col A col A *
CALC col C = col B col B * 142665 +
CALC col D = col C 0.5 **
CALC col E = col B col D /
CALC col IMEANcorr = col IMEAN col E *
CALC col SIGIMEANcorr = col SIGIMEAN col E *
DELETE col A
DELETE col B

```

```
DELETE col C
DELETE col D
DELETE col E
WRITE scaled-I-corrected.mtz
eof
```

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