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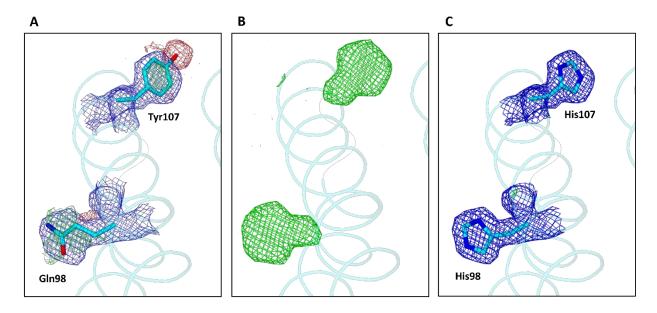
Serendipitous crystallization and structure determination of bacterioferritin from *Achromobacter* species

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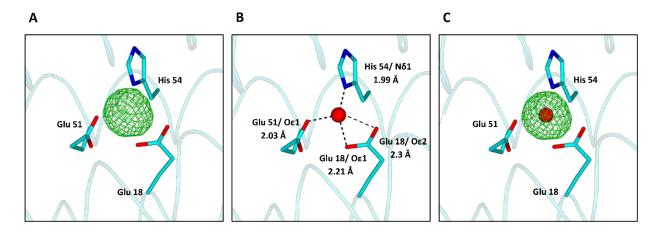
>>tr|A0A0M7NRX6| Bacterioferritin OS=Achromobacter sp.
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IGEDVPELLACDLKLEQGAQATVKEAIAYCESVRDYVSRDLF QDILDDTEEHIDYLETQIDLIDKVGLQNYLQSQMSVPD

Coverage- 82.8 %	Unique peptides -16	
Mass	Score	Accessions
18290	670	gi 918212572

**Figure S1** MALDI-TOF MS/MS analysis confirming the identity of *Ach* Bfr. 16 unique peptides were identified by mass fingerprinting and the MASCOT analysis revealed multiple hits including the A0A0M7NRX6, the general amino acid sequence for *Achromobacter* Bfr.



**Figure S2** Identification of the amino acids unique to DH1f species Bfr sequence. (**A**) The pronounced disagreement between  $|F_o| - |F_c|$  (2.5σ and -3σ) and  $2|F_o| - |F_c|$  (1σ) electron density peaks for residues-Gln98 and Tyr107 is depicted. (**B**) An unbiased  $|F_o| - |F_c|$  (2.5σ) was obtained for side chains of residues 98 and 107 after restricting the said residues to Cα followed by refinement. The map clearly indicates the presence of His side chains at both these positions. (**C**) No residual difference electron density peaks (2.5σ) were observed after incorporating His at 98 and 107 positions while the residues fit perfectly in  $2|F_o| - |F_c|$  peaks. The  $|F_o| - |F_c|$  peaks are depicted either in green (2.5σ) or in red (-3σ) and the  $2|F_o| - |F_c|$  peaks are shown in blue color.



**Figure S3** Presence of a single  $Fe^{II}$  ion at the iron storage site in Ach Bfr. (**A**) A distinct  $|F_o| - |F_c|$  spherical electron density peak (contoured at  $5.0\sigma$ ) was observed in each monomer of Ach Bfr at the usual iron storage site reported for Bfrs, indicating the presence of a metal atom. (**B**) No residual difference electron density peak  $(2.5\sigma)$  was observed after incorporating  $Fe^{II}$  in that position. (**C**) The final refined  $Fe^{II}$  was superimposed on the electron density map. In all cases,  $2|F_o| - |F_c|$  electron density peaks (at  $1\sigma$ ) were observed. Residues His54, Glu51, Glu18 are shown in sticks and  $Fe^{II}$  is depicted as red sphere.