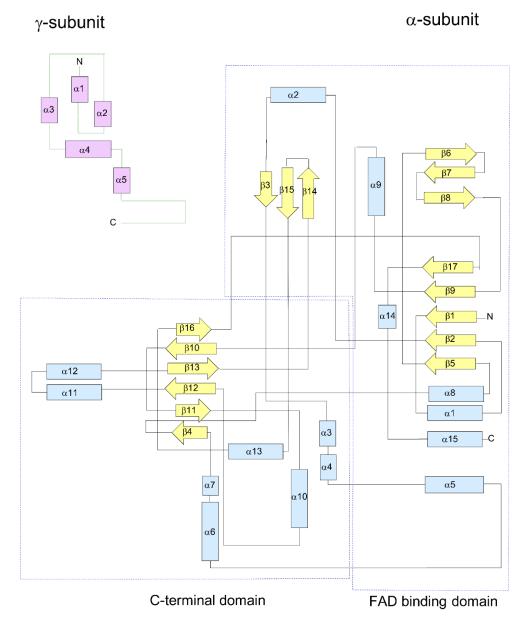


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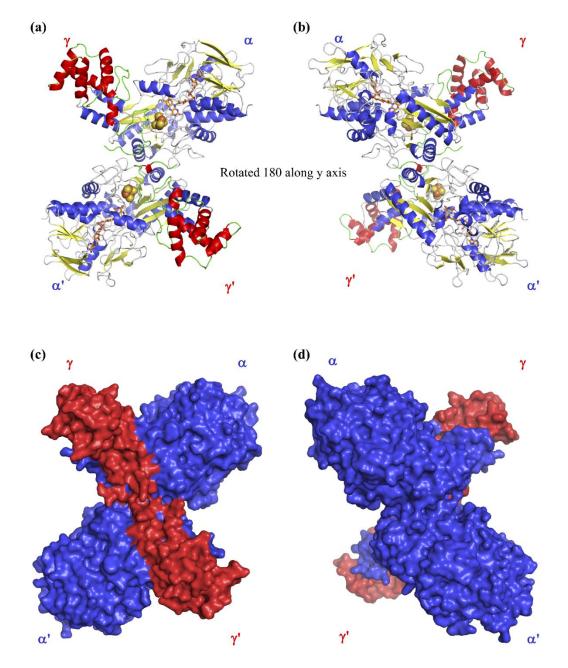
X-ray structure of the direct electron-transfer-type FAD glucose dehydrogenase catalytic subunit complexed with a hitchhiker protein

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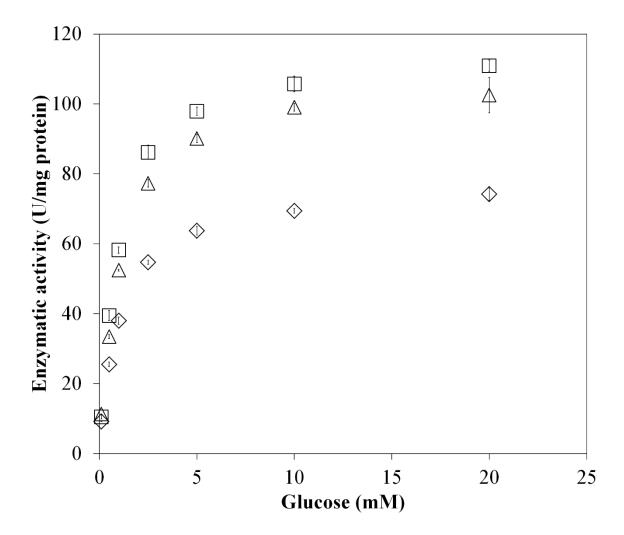


**Figure S1** A topological diagram showing the arrangement of secondary structural elements with labels. The β strands and helices are represented by arrows and rectangles, respectively. The α-subunit comprising fifteen α-helices, including two short  $3_{10}$  helices (α7 and α14), and seventeen β-strands adopts an FAD binding fold consisting of three layers ( $\beta_3\beta_5\alpha_4$ ) [(β8, β7, and β6), (β5, β2, β1, β9, and β17), and (α8, α1, α15, and α5)] in a sandwich structure with two α-helices (α9 and α14), and an additional β-sheet (β3, β15, and β14). The additional domain

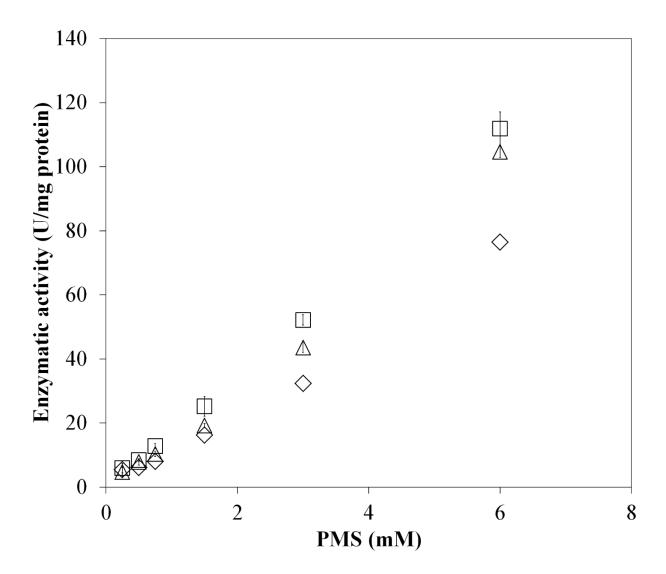
contains a six-stranded antiparallel  $\beta$ -sheet ( $\beta$ 4,  $\beta$ 11,  $\beta$ 12,  $\beta$ 13,  $\beta$ 10, and  $\beta$ 16) surrounded by six  $\alpha$ -helices ( $\alpha$ 3,  $\alpha$ 4,  $\alpha$ 6,  $\alpha$ 7,  $\alpha$ 10, and  $\alpha$ 13) and a loop containing two  $\alpha$ -helices ( $\alpha$ 11 and  $\alpha$ 12) that protrudes toward the  $\gamma$ -subunit.



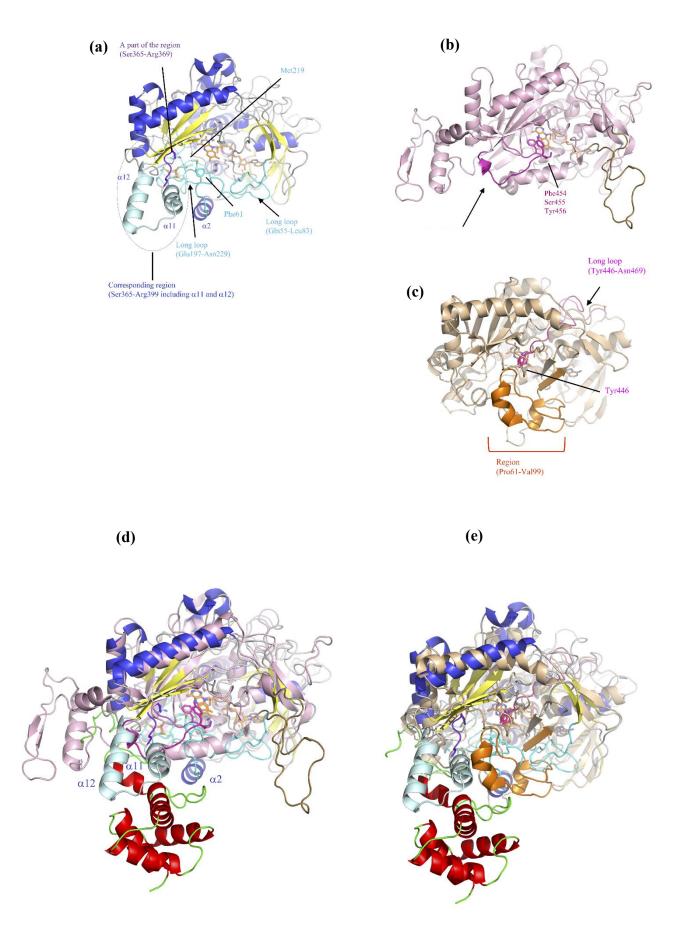
**Figure S2** Overall crystal structure of BcGDH $\gamma\alpha$ . Two molecules of BcGDH $\gamma\alpha$  are present in the asymmetric unit. Although the protein appears to form a heterotetramer, the tetrameric structure is unstable and shows two pairs of BcGDH $\gamma\alpha$  according to PISA.



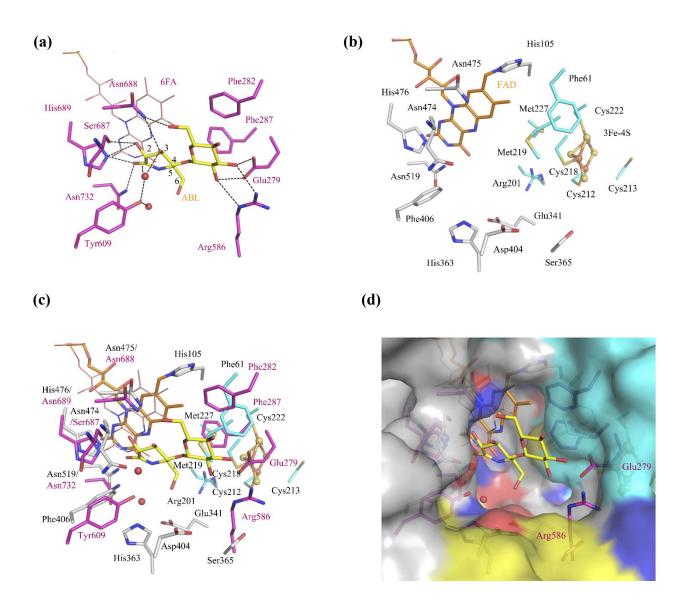
**Figure S3** The correlation between the glucose concentration and dye-mediated glucose dehydrogenase activities of wild type (open square),  $\gamma(\text{Cys152Ser})\alpha$  (open triangle) and of  $\gamma\alpha(\text{Cys213Ser})$  BcGDHγα (open diamond), respectively.nThe enzyme sample was incubated with 10 mM potassium phosphate buffer (pH 7.0) containing 6 mM 5-methylphenazinium methyl sulfate(phenazine methosulfate (PMS), 0.06 mM 2,6-dichlorophenolindophenol (DCIP), and various concentrations of glucose at room temperature.mThe activity was determined by monitoring the decrease in the absorbance of DCIP at 600 nm and using the molar absorption coefficient of DCIP (16.3 mM cm<sup>-1</sup> at pH 7.0) to calculate the enzymatic activity.



**Figure S4** The correlation between the PMS concentration and dye-mediated glucose dehydrogenase activities of wild type (open square),  $\gamma$ (Cys152Ser)α (open triangle) and  $\gamma$ α(Cys213Ser) BcGDH $\gamma$ α (open diamond), respectively. The enzyme sample was incubated with 10 mM potassium phosphate buffer (pH 7.0) in the presence of 20 mM glucose, 0.06 mM 2,6-dichlorophenolindophenol (DCIP), and various concentrations of PMS at room temperature. The activity was determined by monitoring the decrease in the absorbance of DCIP at 600 nm and using the molar absorption coefficient of DCIP (16.3 mM cm<sup>-1</sup> at pH 7.0) to calculate the enzymatic activity.

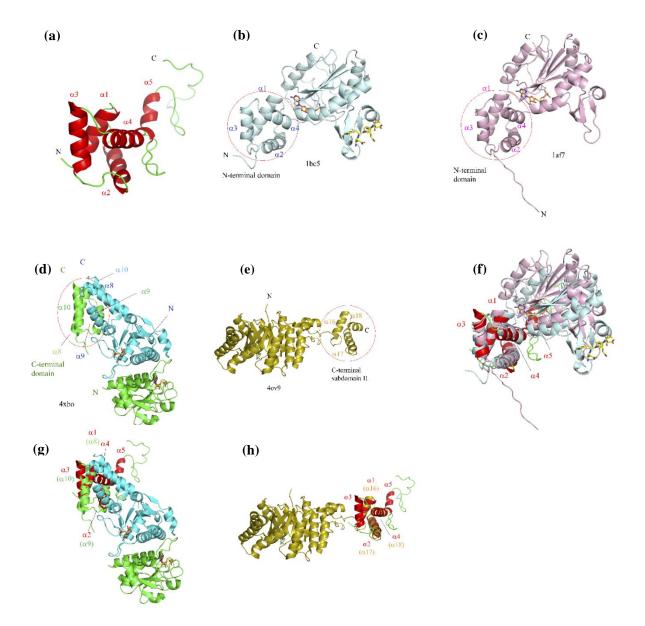


**Figure S5** Comparison of the structures of the BcGDH catalytic subunit, pyranose 2-oxidase and cholesterol oxidase. The structures of (a) the  $\alpha$ -subunit of BcGDH $\gamma\alpha$ , (b) monomer of homotetrameric pyranose 2-oxidase (P2O) (PDB ID: 3k4c) and (c) cholesterol oxidase (ChOX) (4u2s) are shown. The structures presented in (b) and (c) were superimposed onto the structure of BcGDHy\alpha in (d) and (e), respectively. The colors of BcGDHγα are the same as in Fig. 2, except for the indicated regions. All bound FAD molecules in these structures are shown as orange stick models. In P2O (b), the flexible loop region (Arg451-Leu467) was colored in light magenta, and Phe454-Ser455-Tyr456 residues, which are important for substrate specificity, are shown as a stick model. A long loop region (Val114-Gln146) colored in brown contacts other monomers of P2O and is involved in forming the homotetrameric enzyme. The flexible region of P2O corresponds to the region (Ser365-Arg399) of the BcGDH  $\alpha$ -subunit including  $\alpha 11$  and  $\alpha 12$ , which contacts the  $\gamma$  subunit. Two long loop regions (Gln55-Leu83) and (Glu197-Asn229) of BcGDHγα are colored in cyan, including Phe61 (in the former loop) and Met219 (in the latter loop), with a stick model that approaches the isoalloxazine ring of FAD. In ChOX (c), the region corresponding to the latter long loop of the BcGDH α-subunit (Glu197-Asn229) moves away from the isoalloxazine ring and forms short helices and part of the β-sheet (Pro61-Val99, colored in orange). Alternatively, a long loop (Tyr446-Asn469) of ChOX, which is colored in hot pink, approaches the isoalloxazine ring. Tyr446 is represented as a stick model and is located at the re-face of the isoalloxazine ring.



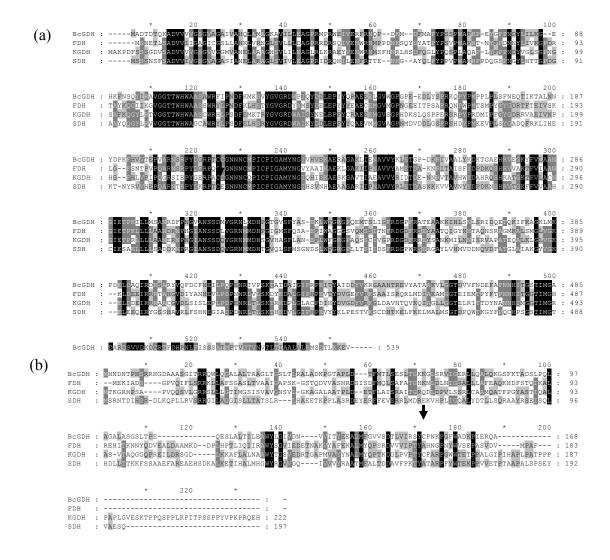
**Figure S6** The structure of the putative active site of BcGDH $\gamma\alpha$ . Comparison of the structures of the active sites of (a) the flavoprotein domain of *Phanerochaete chrysosporium* cellobiose dehydrogenase bound to 6-hydroxy FAD (light pink line) and cellobionolactam (inhibitor, ABL, yellow stick) (1naa) (Hallberg et al., J. Biol. Chem., 2003) with the putative active site of (b) BcGDH $\gamma\alpha$ . The residues related to the ligand interactions and the ligand-induced changes are represented as magenta sticks in (a). Water molecules are shown as red spheres. The selected hydrogen bonds are indicated by the dotted lines. The colors of BcGDH $\gamma\alpha$  are the same as in Fig. 2. (c) Comparison of the structures of the active sites of cellobiose dehydrogenase and BcGDH $\gamma\alpha$ . The structure of the active site shown in (a) was superimposed onto the structure shown in (b). (d) Surface model of the BcGDH $\gamma\alpha$  structure shown in (c). A large cavity

is observed in the putative active site of BcGDH $\gamma\alpha$ , suggesting that BcGDH $\gamma\alpha$  recognizes maltose as a substrate.

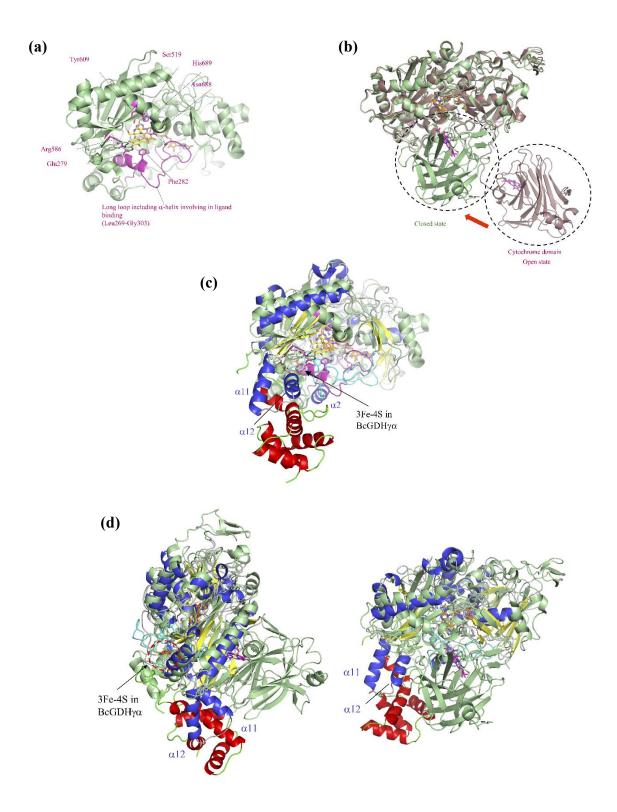


**Figure S7** Structures of (a) the γ-subunit of BcGDHγα, (b) *Salmonella typhimurium* N-terminal domain (NTD) of chemotaxis receptor methyltransferase (CheR MTase) with S-adenosyl-L-homocysteine (SAH) and C-terminal pentapeptides of CheR (PDB ID: 1bc5), (c) *S. typhimurium* NTD of CheR MTase with SAH (1af7), (d) *Escherichia coli* C-terminal domain (CTD) of tRNA (cytidine/uridine-2'-O-)-MTase TrmJ with SAH (4xbo), and (e) *Leptospira biflexa* C-terminal subdomain II of isopropylmalate synthase with alpha-isopropylmalate (4ov9). (f) Superimposition of the structure shown in (b) and (c) onto the structure shown in (a). (g) Superimposition of the structure shown in (d) onto the structure shown in (a). (h) Superimposition

of the structure shown in (e) onto the structure shown in (a). In tRNA MTase methyltransferase, two molecules (green and cyan) are shown in (d), since the CTD forms a dimer with other CTDs. The  $\alpha$ -helices with numbers indicate the order of  $\alpha$ -helices in each molecule. The  $\alpha$ -helices corresponding to the  $\gamma$ -subunit of BcGDH are shown. The molecules of SAH are represented as orange sticks in (b, c, d, f, and g). The bound peptides are shown as yellow sticks in (b and f). The bound isopropylmalate is shown as cyan sticks in (e and h).



**Figure S8** Alignments of catalytic subunits (a) and hitchhiker proteins (b) in FAD oxidoreductases. The Cys residues forming a disulfide bond between the BcGDH catalytic (a) and hitchhiker (g) proteins are indicated with arrows. (a) BcGDH; (GenBank ID: AAN39686.1), FDH; *Gluconobacter japonicus* FDH (GenBank ID: BAM93252.1), KGDH; *G.oxydans* KGDH (GenBank ID: BAM93252.1), SDH; *G.frateurii* sorbitol dehydrogenase (SDH) (GenBank ID: AFW02570.1).(b) BcGDH; (GenBank ID: CAZ78686.1/WP\_006396897.1), FDH; *G.japonicus* FDH (GenBank ID: BAM93250.1), KGDH; *G.oxydans* KGDH (GenBank ID: BAQ21462.1), SDH; *G.frateurii* sorbitol dehydrogenase (SDH) (GenBank ID: BAD60912.1).



**Figure S9** The structures of (a) the flavoprotein domain of *Phanerochaete chrysosporium* cellobiose dehydrogenase bound to 6-hydroxy FAD (orange sticks) and cellobionolactam (inhibitor, yellow sticks) (1naa), (b) *Myricoccum thermophilum* cellobiose dehydrogenase with a heme b-binding cytochrome domain (4qi6, closed state, pale green) and *Neurospora crassa* cellobiose dehydrogenase with a cytochrome domain (4qi7, open state, pale violet). The residues related to the ligand interactions and the ligand-induced changes are represented in magenta sticks in (a). The bound FAD and cytochrome b are shown in orange and magenta sticks, respectively. Cytochrome b domains are indicated by black dotted circles. The structure shown in (a) and the closed state of the structure shown in (b) were superimposed onto the structure of BcGDHγα in (c) and (d), respectively. The colors of BcGDHγα are the same as in Fig. 2. The FAD molecules are shown as orange stick models in the structures.

**Table S1** Structural comparisons of  $\alpha$ -subunit of BcGDH with the Glucose-Methanol-Choline oxidoreductase (GMC) family according to the Dali search.

Each representative organism and PDB ID in each protein family is shown with the highest Z-score, RMSD and amino acid sequence identity. The values of scores in parentheses are summarized as found as belonging to the same protein family in Dali search.

Structurally similar proteins Reported oligomer state	Representative organism (PDB ID)	Z-score	r.m.s.d.	% id
	Trametes ochracea	33.0	2.6	18
Pyranose 2-oxidases Homo tetramer		(28.6~33.0)	$(2.6 \sim 2.7)$	
	(3k4c)	, ,	. ,	(18~19)
Cholesterol oxidases Monomer	Streptomyces sp.	31.0 (30.1~31.0)	2.8 (2.7~2.9)	15 (14~16)
	(4u2l)	,	` /	` /
Pyridoxine 4-oxidases	Mesorhizobium loti	30.1	2.8	19
Homo dimer	(3t37)	(30.1)	(2.8)	(16~19)
Choline oxidases	Arthrobacter globiformis	29.5	2.8	19
Monomer	(4mjw)	(29.1~29.5)	(2.6~2.8)	(19~20)
Cellobiose dehydrogenases	Phanerochaete	28.8	3.2	18
Monomer	chrysosporium (1naa)	(26.0~28.8)	(3.2)	(18~19)
5-hydroxymethylfurfural	Methylovorus sp.	28.7	2.8	18
oxidases	(4udp)	$(28.0 \sim 28.7)$	(2.7~2.8)	(18)
Monomer	17	,	,	` /
Hydroxynitrile lyases	Prunus dulcis	27.4	3.0	16
Monomer	(5eb4)	$(26.7 \sim 27.4)$	$(2.9 \sim 3.4)$	(16~17)
Aryl alcohol oxidases	Pleurotus eryngii	27.2	2.9	16
Monomer	(3fim)	(27.2)	(2.9)	(16)
Mimivirus R135	Acanthamoeba	27.0	3.4	18
Homo dimer	<i>polyphaga</i> mimivirus (4z26)	(23.6~27.0)	(3.3~3.4)	(18)
Glucose dehydrogenases	Aspergillus flavus	26.8	2.6	18
Monomer	(4ynu)	(26.4~26.8)	(2.6)	(18~19)
Glucose oxidases	Penicillium	25.5	2.8	16
Homo dimer	amagasakiense	$(25.2\sim25.5)$	(2.8)	(16~17)
	(1gpe)	(==:= ==::)	(=10)	(/
Methanol oxidases	Pichia pastoris	23.8	3.0	15
Homo octamer	(5hsa)	(23.4~23.8)	(3.0)	(15)
1101110 001001101	(	(2011 2010)	(0.0)	(10)
Flavocytochrome C	Shewanella putrefaciens	18.1	3.1	18
fumarate reductases	(1d4d)	(17.0~18.1)	(3.1)	(18~19)
Monomer	(1474)	(17.0-10.1)	(3.1)	(10-17)
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**Table S2** Structural comparisons of γ-subunit of BcGDH according to the Dali search.

Each representative organism and PDB ID in each protein family is shown with the highest Z-score, RMSD and amino acid sequence identity.

Structurally similar proteins	Representative organism (PDB ID)	Z-score	r.m.s.d.	% id
N-terminal domain (NTD) of chemotaxis receptor methyltransferase (CheR) with S-adenosyl-L-homocysteine (SAH) and C-terminal pentapeptides of the chemotaxis receptors	Salmonella typhimurium (1bc5)	4.7	5.3	7
NTD of CheR with SAH	Salmonella typhimurium (1af7)	4.6	2.6	12
C-terminal domain (CTD) of tRNA (cytidine/uridine-2'-O-)-methyltransferase TrmJ with SAH	Escherichia coli (4xbo)	4.2	3.0	4
C-terminal subdomain II of isopropylmalate synthase with alphaisopropylmalate	Leptospira biflexa (40v9)	4.1	2.7	11
NTD of glutamate O-methyltransferase in complex with SAH	Bacillus subtilis (5ftw)	4.0	3.1	24
RNA polymerase sigma-H factor	Fusobacterium nucleatum (3mzy)	3.9	3.1	11