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## FIRST software (Floppy Inclusions and Rigid Substructure Topography) for analyzing conformations of proteins and other biomolecules

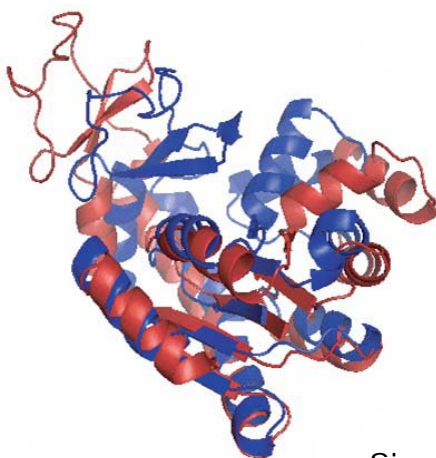
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## Invention Description

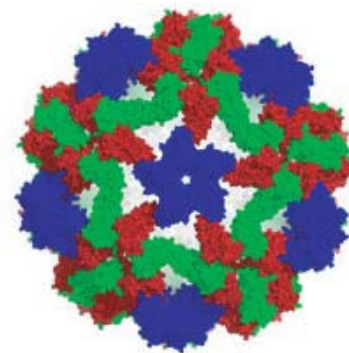
The FIRST software (Floppy Inclusions and Rigid Substructure Topography) was developed by researchers at Arizona State University for analyzing conformations of proteins and other biomolecules.

This software uses patented algorithms for identifying rigid and flexible regions within proteins and other biomolecules of thousands of residues in a few seconds.

The FRODA module (Framework Rigidity-Optimized Dynamics Algorithm) within the FIRST software uses geometric simulation algorithms to quickly explore the "clash free" conformational space in proteins or other biomolecules. FRODA is capable of generating thousand of distinct conformations within minutes on a single-processor computer.



Conformational  
change in ADK protein  
is produced in five  
minutes using FRODA  
dynamics



Simulating the motion  
in large structures is  
not a problem. This  
virus capsid structure  
contains ~450,000  
atoms. Different colors  
identify rigid clusters.

## *flexibility and motion in biomolecules*

The on-line freeware version is available at: <http://flexweb.asu.edu>

Easy to work with and easy to analyze!