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Virus crystallography from its beginnings until 1978

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Viruses, first crystallized in the 1930's, were for many years the only exemplars of large macromolecular assemblies accessible to x-ray crystallography. The talk will outline the most interesting biological questions these structures posed, review some of the early technical challenges, and describe some of the specific history that led to the first published virus crystal structure in 1978.

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