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Deposition of data with the Nucleic Acid Database

Starting on 1 January 1996, data for crystal structures of oligonucleotides should be deposited directly with the Nucleic Acid Database (NDB). Once the data are processed they will be forwarded to the Protein Data Bank (PDB) for deposit in the central single archive. This will simplify current procedures and make the data on nucleic acids available more quickly. Protein/nucleic acid complexes and all NMR structures should continue to be deposited at the PDB. All crystal structure data for DNA and RNA will continue to be available from both the NDB and PDB.

To deposit the data, submit the coordinates, structure factors and current PDB deposition form to: deposit@ndbserver.rutgers.edu. A preprint of the related manuscript should be mailed or faxed to: Anke Gelbin, The Nucleic Acid Database, Department of Chemistry, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, PO Box 939, Piscataway, NJ 08855-0939, Fax: (908) 445-5958.

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