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Cryo EM Imaging: Applications from Nanotechnology to Gene Therapy



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Cryo electron microscopy imaging is an emerging technique in structural biology that is applicable to large macromolecular complexes, such as human adenovirus vectors, virus/antibody complexes, and engineered nanoparticles. Recent advances in liquid helium cryo-microscopy, automation of data acquisition, and image processing on multi-processor computers, offer the potential of reaching near atomic resolution (3-5 Angstroms) by cryo-EM methods.

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