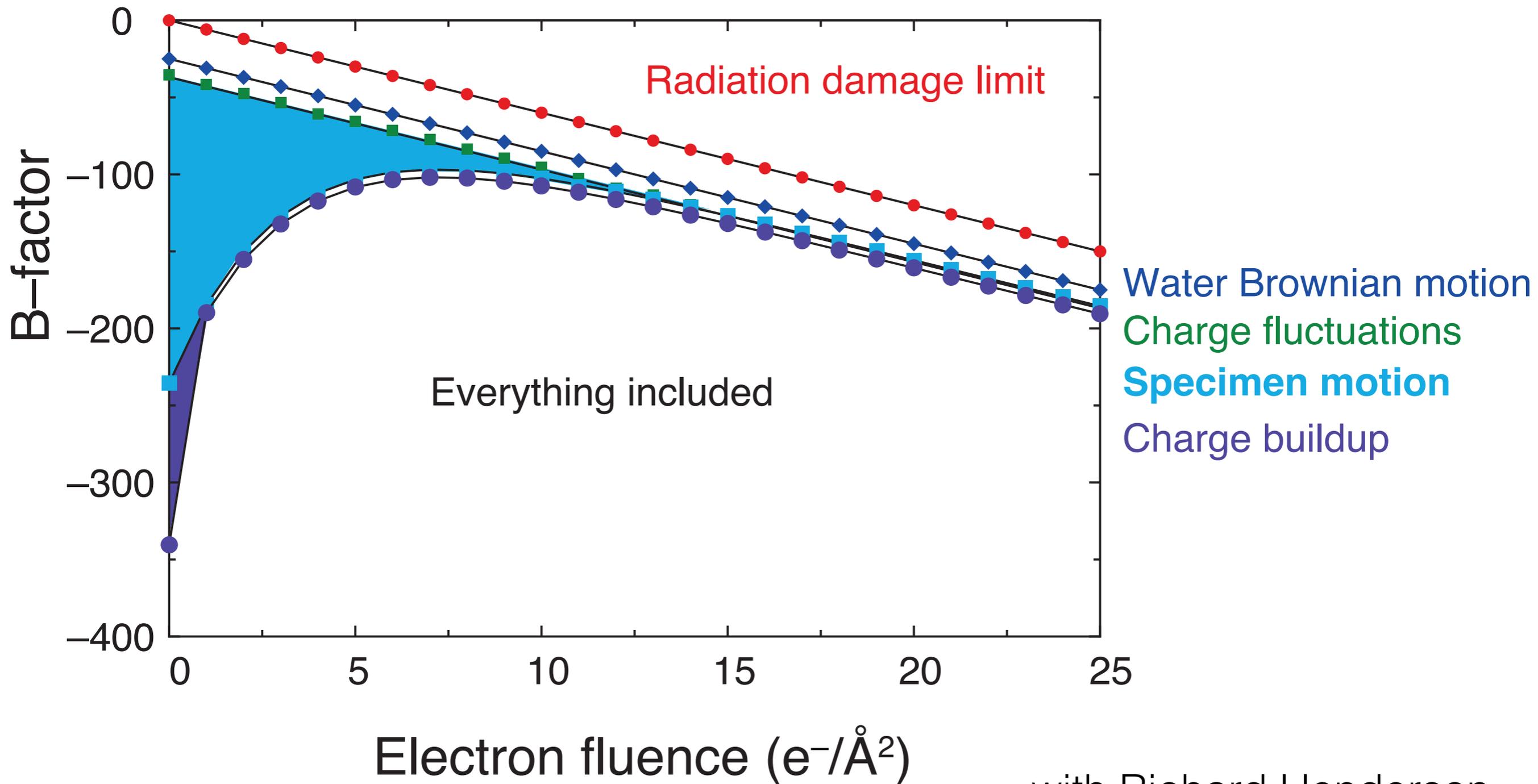


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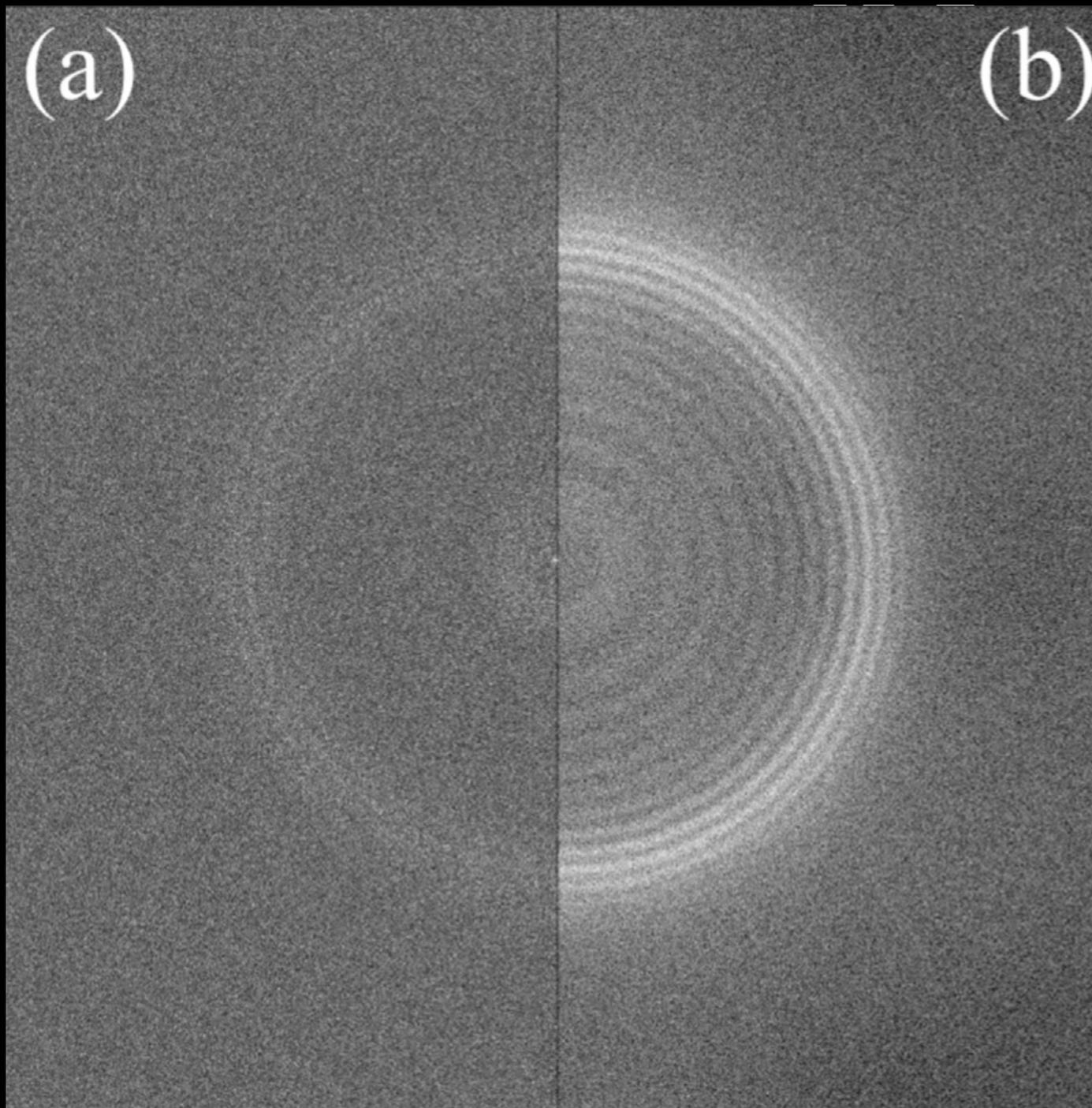


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# Thon rings from amorphous ice and implications of beam-induced Brownian motion in single particle electron cryo-microscopy

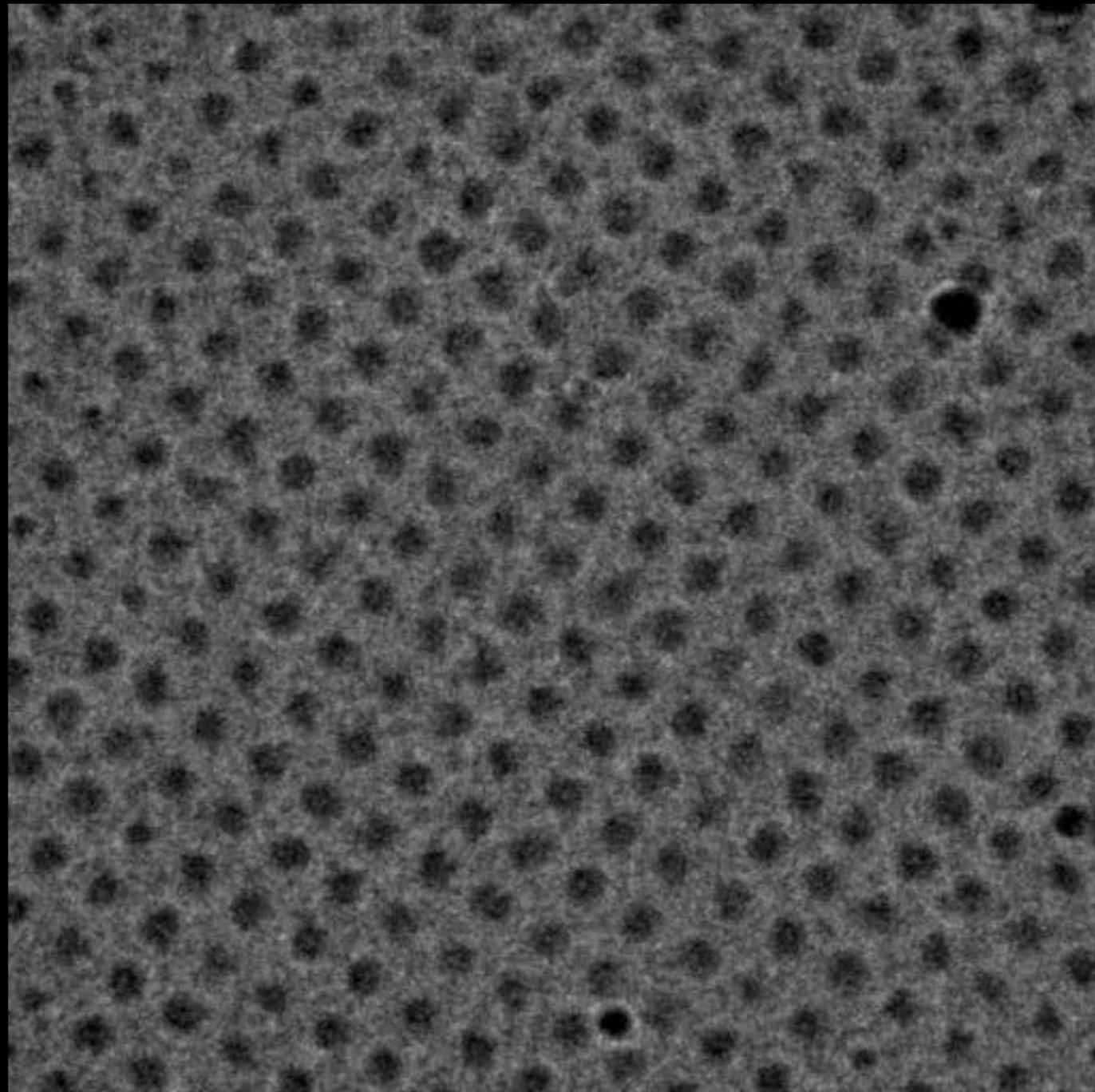
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During electron irradiation  
water diffuses  
 $1 \text{ \AA RMS in } 1 \text{ e}^-/\text{\AA}^2$

Causes Brownian motion  
of imbedded proteins



40  $\mu\text{m}$  field of view

60 mm defocus

1.2  $\mu\text{m}$  holes filled with

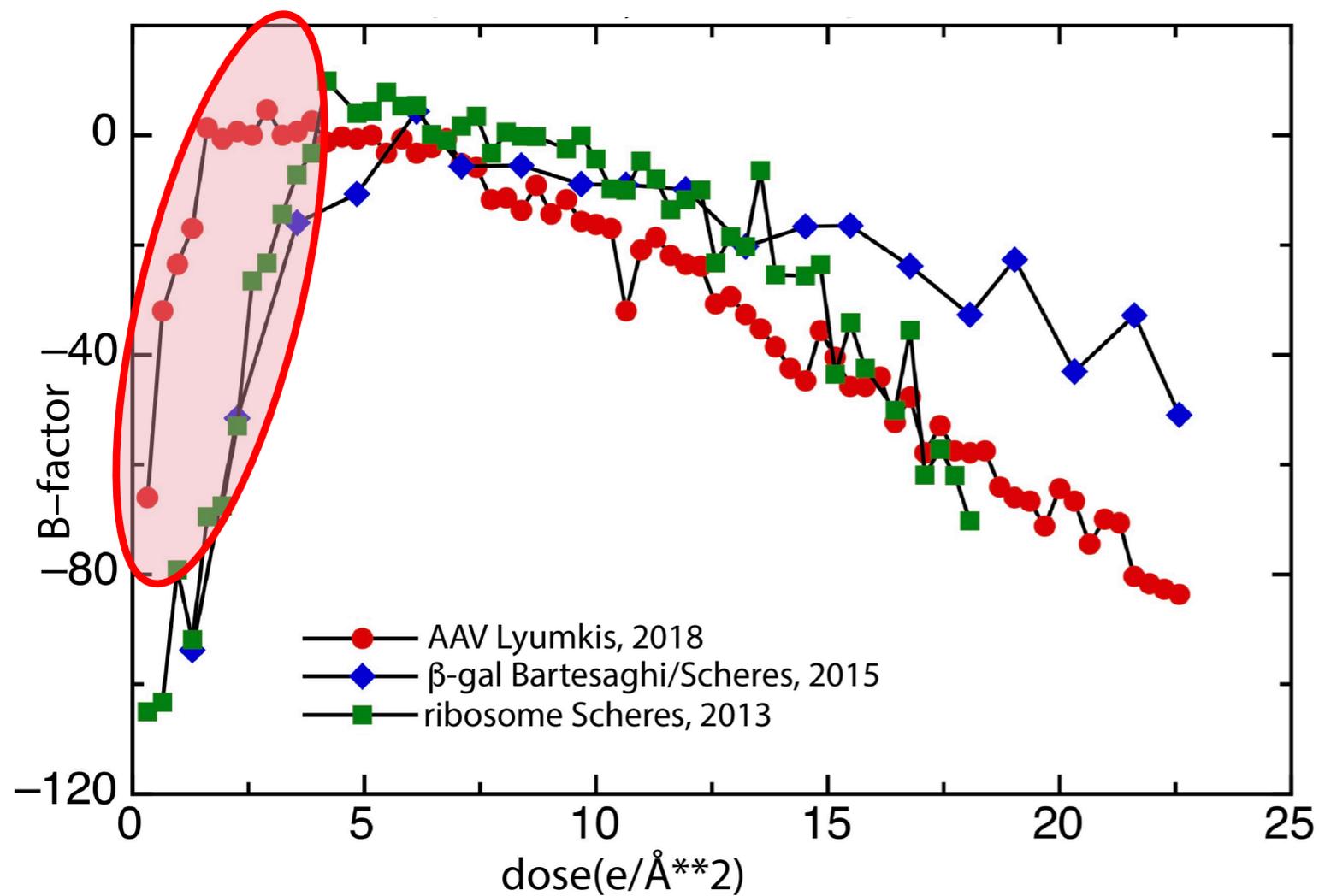
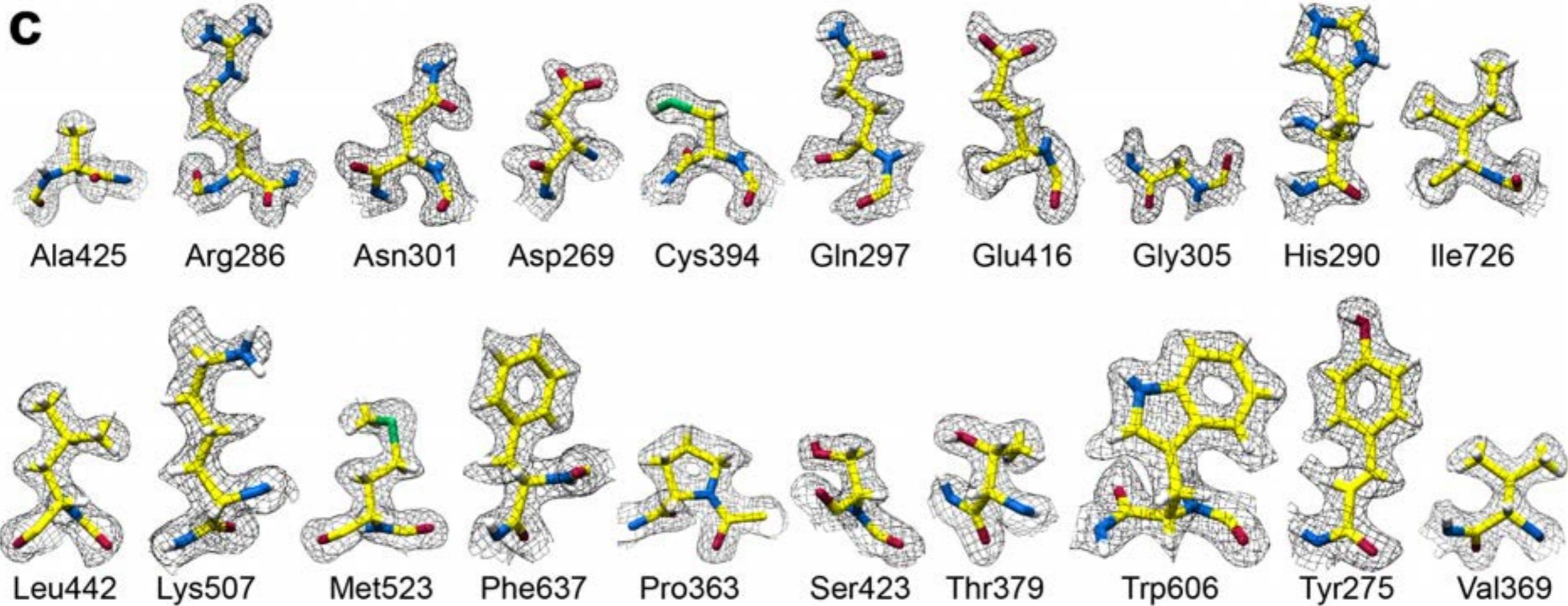
amorphous solid water 80K

300 keV  $10^{-4}$  e $\text{\AA}^2$ /frame

central patch

300 keV 1 e $\text{\AA}^2$

Russo & Henderson 2018a



Reduced  
movement  
on gold grids

from Tan *et al.* 2018