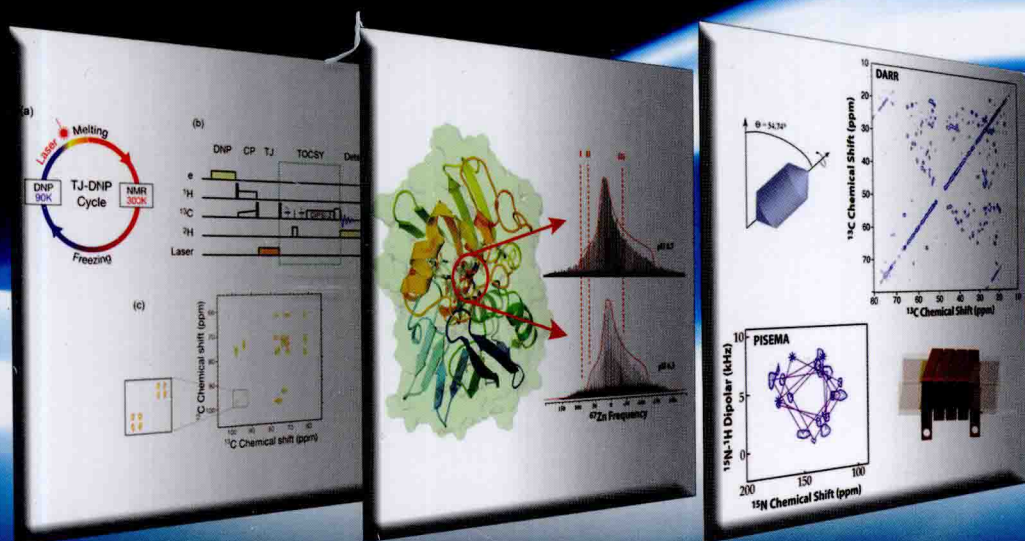


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PS	Phosphorothioate	SSHBs	Short, Strong Hydrogen Bonds
PS1	Photosystem I	SSNMR	Solid-State Nuclear Magnetic Resonance
PS2	Photosystem II	SSS	Space-Spin Selection
2Q	Double Quantum	STR	Second Tilted Rotating
2Q-HORROR	Double-Quantum Homonuclear Rotary Resonance	TAR	Transactivation Response Element
2QF-COSY	Double-Quantum-Filtered Correlation Spectroscopy	TCL	Tool Command Language
QCPMG	Quadrupole Carr–Purcell–Meiboom–Gill	TEDOR	Transferred Echo Double Resonance
QE	Quadrupolar Echo	TEDOR-REDOR	Transferred Echo Double Resonance-Rotational Echo Double Resonance
QM	Quantum Mechanical	TIM	Triosephosphate Isomerase
QM/MM	Quantum Mechanics/Molecular Mechanics	T-MREV	MREV-8
RC	Reaction Center	TJ	Temperature-Jump
Rd	Rubredoxin	TM	Thermal Mixing
RDC	Residual Dipolar Coupling	TM	Transmembrane
REDOR	Rotational Echo Double Resonance	TMS	Tetramethylsilane
RF	Radio Frequency	TOBSY	Through Bond Spectroscopy
RFDR	Radio-Frequency Driven Recoupling	TOCSY	Total Correlation Spectroscopy
RMSD	Root Mean Square Deviation	TOTAPOL	1-(TEMPO-4-Oxy)-3-(TEMPO-4-Amino)-Propan-2-Ol
ROCSA	Recoupling of Chemical Shift Anisotropy	TPPM	Two-Pulse Phase Modulation
Rubisco	Ribulose-1,5-Bisphosphate Carboxylase/Oxygenase	TRNOE	Transferred Nuclear Overhauser Effect
RR	Rotational Resonance	UC	Uniform-Sign Cross-Peak
RRTR	Rotational Resonance in the Tilted Rotating Frame	UC2QF-COSY	Uniform-Sign Cross-Peak Double-Quantum-Filtered Correlation Spectroscopy
SB	Schiff Base	UDG	Uracil DNA Glycosylase
SCT	Semiconstant-Time	VACP	Variable Amplitude Cross Polarization
SDR	Stochastic Dipolar Recoupling	VAS	Variable Angle Spinning
SE	Solid Effect	VEDs	Vacuum Electronic Devices
SEASHORE	Shift Evolution Assisted Selective HOmonuclear REcoupling	VT	Variable Temperature
SEDRA	Simple Excitation for the Dephasing of Rotational Echo Amplitudes	WALTZ	Wonderful Alternating Phase Technique for Zero Residual Splittings
SEMA	Spin Exchange at the Magic Angle	WT	Wild Type
SERCA	Sarcoplasmic Reticulum Calcium ATPase	ZQ	Zero Quantum
SF	Selectivity Filter		
SLF	Separated Local Field		
S3P	Shikimate-3-Phosphate		
SPI-R <sup>3</sup>	Simultaneous Phase Inversion Rotary Resonance		
SQ	Single Quantum		

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# Volume Preface

The purpose of this handbook is to provide a comprehensive introduction to modern biological solid-state NMR spectroscopy for students and for the general audience of scientists interested in entering the field. There has hitherto been no single volume that both covers the fundamentals in solid-state NMR theory and hardware and provides examples of contemporary applications. This handbook represents our efforts to remedy the growing need for such a treatment.

The selection of chapters is intended to give the interested reader a flavor of the richness of this rapidly developing field. The diverse nature of the experimental approaches and sample conditions, together with the high information content arising from the sensitivity of the various spin interactions to the environment and from the accumulated knowledge in the field – allowing a practising solid-state NMR spectroscopist to measure those interactions, extract the relevant physical observables and relate them to the molecular framework (i.e., geometry, electronic structure, molecular motions) through the accumulated empirical knowledge or through quantum chemical calculations – permits a wide range of biological systems to be studied at atomic-level detail.

Traditionally, solid-state NMR experiments in biological systems have focused on probing a single or a very small number of isotopically labeled sites; however, recent breakthroughs in hardware technology and pulse sequence developments have permitted high-resolution studies of uniformly and extensively labeled proteins and other biopolymers. A decade ago, the first reports emerged demonstrating that resonance assignments of uniformly isotopically enriched microcrystalline proteins are feasible using 2D and 3D magic-angle spinning spectroscopy, while subsequent investigations showed that 3D protein structures can be determined

on the basis of distance and torsion angle constraints acquired in solid-state NMR experiments.

Since these initial studies, the field has experienced a spectacular growth in the number of solid-state NMR-based protein structures deposited in the Protein Data Bank, including studies of large proteins, membrane proteins, and protein assemblies that had previously been intractable using any structural biology method. Recent demonstrations that protein structures can be determined on the basis of isotropic chemical shifts alone have opened a vista of exciting opportunities for researchers entering the field.

The handbook starts with an introduction to fundamental concepts in spin physics. This is followed by a discussion of modern solid-state NMR experiments and the corresponding theoretical framework for extracting structural and dynamics information in biological systems, including recoupling and coherence transfer techniques; a review of quantum mechanical calculations of NMR spectroscopic observables follows. Computational approaches to structure calculations are presented. Discussion of the experiments for measurements of molecular motions and their interpretation is included. Modern solid-state NMR probe hardware is also described. Finally, a series of chapters on applications of contemporary solid-state NMR methods to a broad range of biological systems is presented.

We note that the field of biological solid-state NMR spectroscopy is so diverse and developing so rapidly that we have not been able to cover all topics in depth or indeed in some cases, at all. For example, some of the emerging methodologies (e.g., signal enhancement protocols through CIDNP and half-integer quadrupolar nuclei) are introduced briefly, and the interested reader is encouraged to seek additional chapters on these important topics in the *Encyclopedia of Magnetic Resonance*. Furthermore, technical advances in the field are unfolding even as we are preparing this handbook for press, and these will be



included in future editions. It is, we feel, an exciting time for a new generation of researchers to enter the field of biological solid-state NMR spectroscopy.

We are very grateful to our colleagues—the authors of the chapters, who have contributed their time and expertise to this handbook. We hope that it will become a useful resource for a broad readership of scientists interested in solid-state NMR spectroscopy.

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