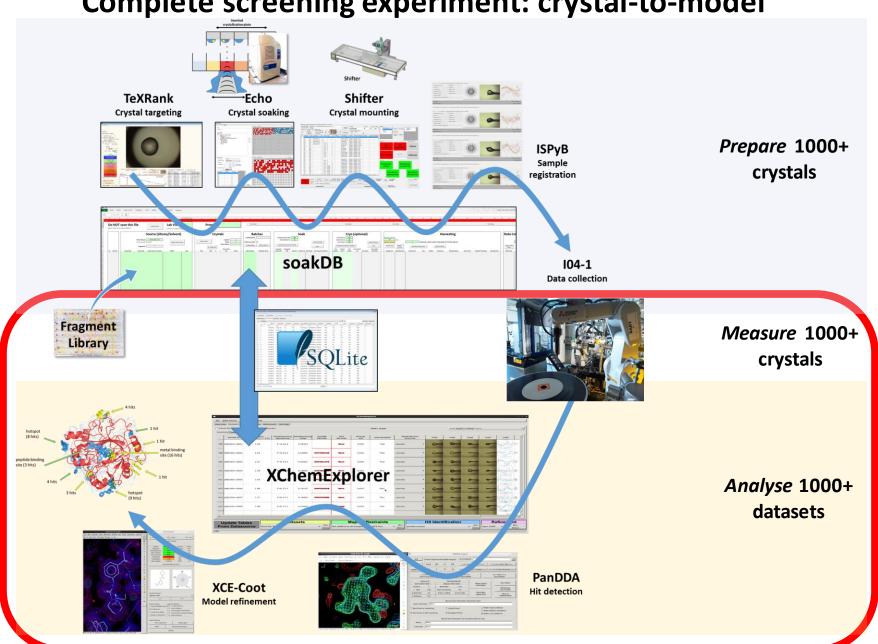
## **XChem training**

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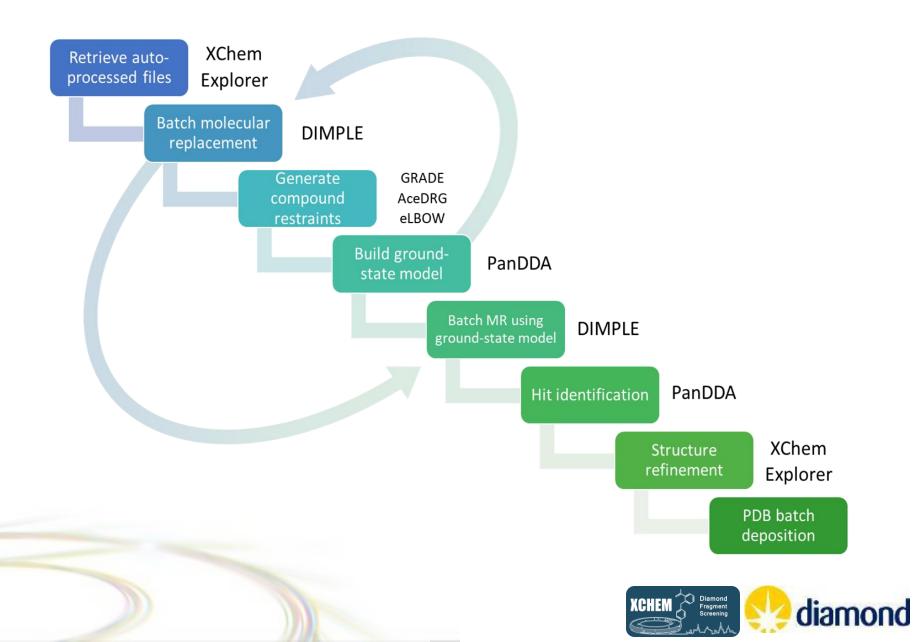
> XChemExplorer PanDDA PDB Batch deposition



XChem at Diamond Complete screening experiment: crystal-to-model



## XChem data processing overview



#### References

#### **XChem Explorer**

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#### **XChemBB**

Register and email your questions to XChem Bulletin Board:

https://www.jiscmail.ac.uk/cgi-bin/webadmin?A0=XCHEMBB



# XChemExplorer How to get started

- Go to the processing directory of your visit:
  - > cd /dls/labxchem/data/proposal/visit/processing/
- Put your initial reference pdb (waters included, non-conserved ligand excluded) in the directory:
  - / dls/labxchem/data/proposal/visit/processing/reference
- Start XCE in your visit processing directory
  - > go in / dls/labxchem/data/proposal/visit/processing/
  - > xce



## **XCE** preferences

Dimple reference model selection criteria

Datasets tab options

Restraints generation program options

Dimple reference model filename root:

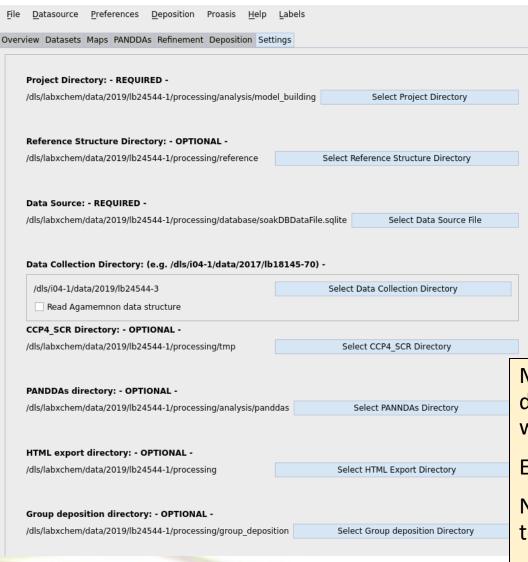
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#### **XCE - Settings**



Paths should look like this.

If not, this is because you haven't opened XCE in your processing directory!

Project directory is: /analysis/model\_building

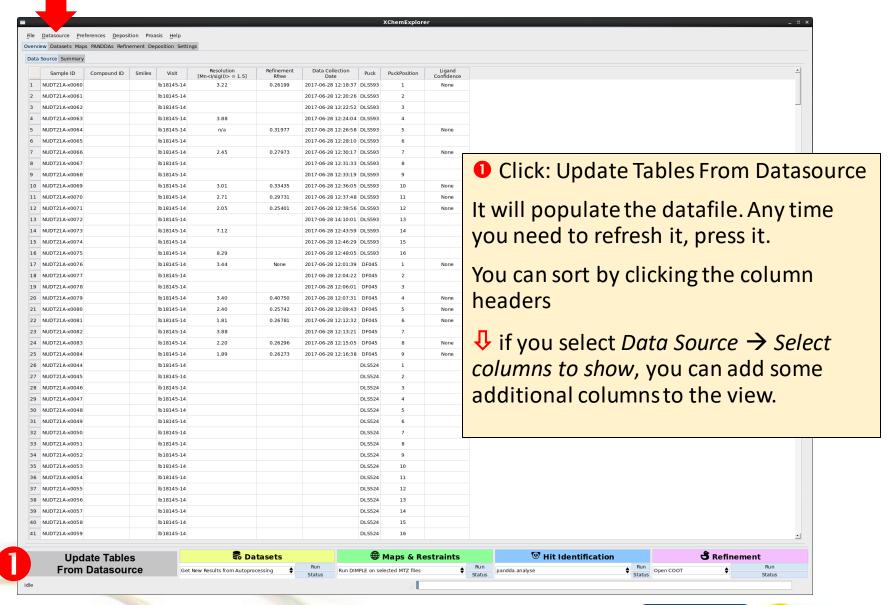
Manually change the data collection directory to the i04-1 directory where you have collected your data.

E.g. /dls/i04-1/data/year/proposal-2

Now, XCE can link your SoakDB data to the x-ray diffraction data

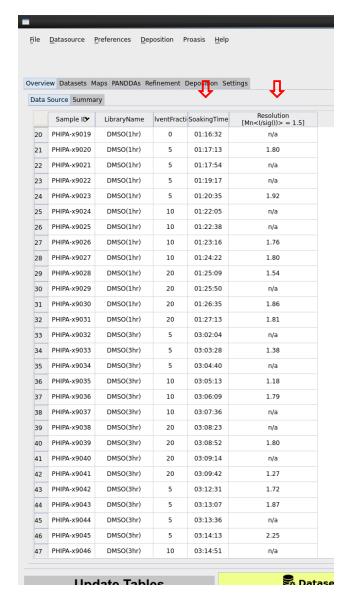
If data collected with UDC, select "Read Agamemnon data structure" before setting directory

## Data source tab: Overview of your experiments



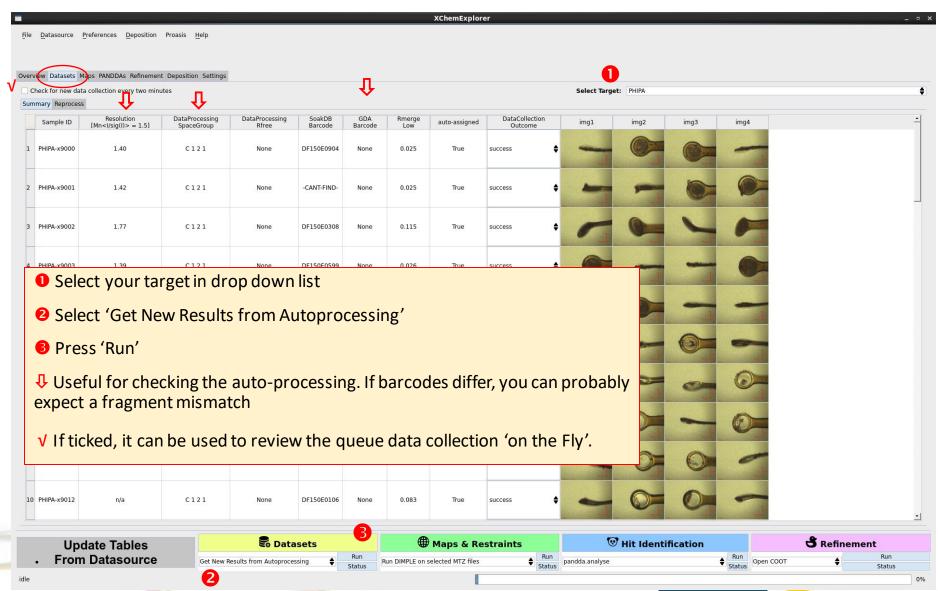


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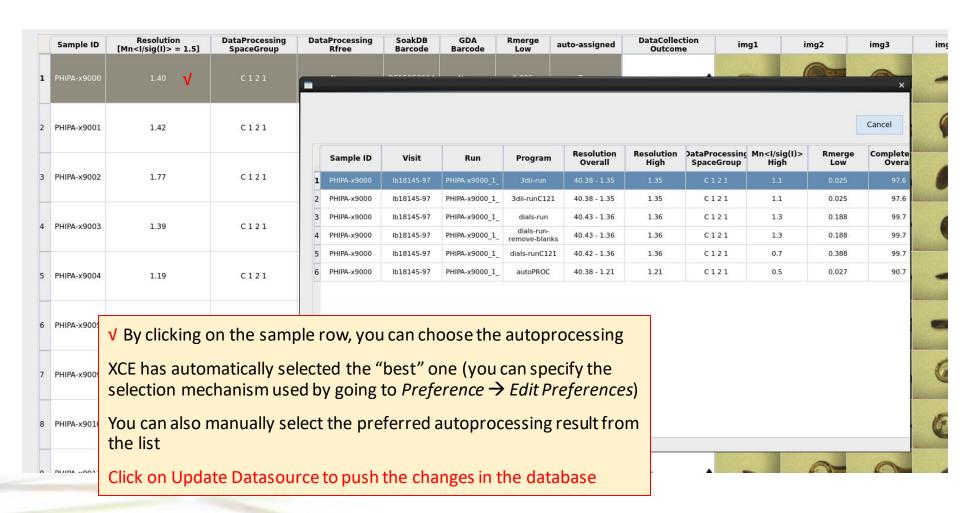


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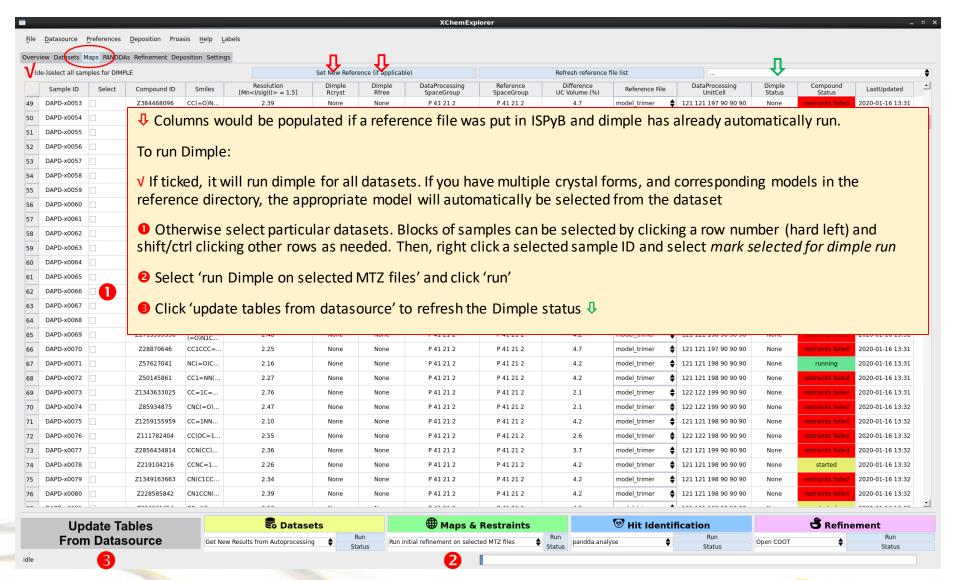


#### **Datasets tab: Load datasets**





#### Maps tab: Running Dimple for MR ("Run initial refinement")



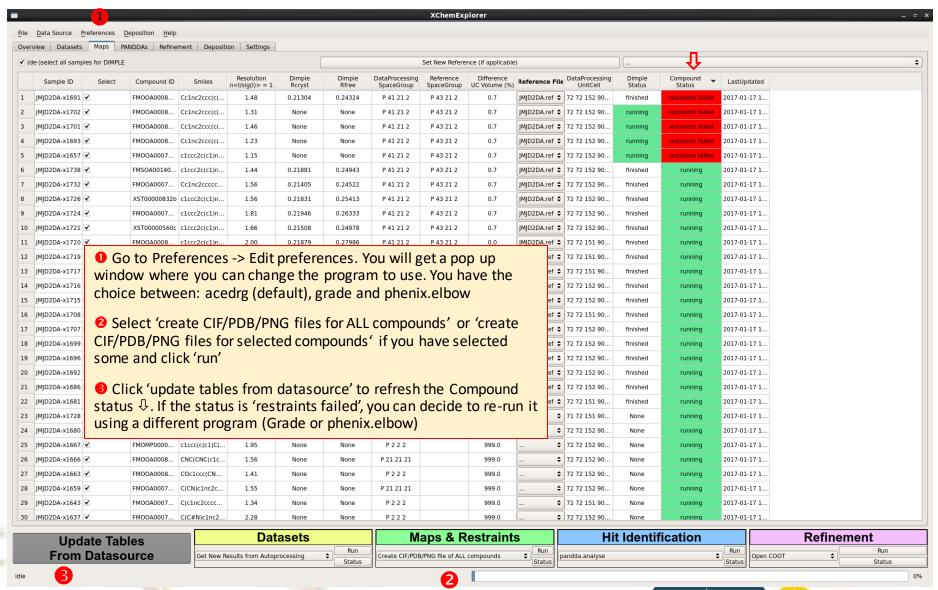


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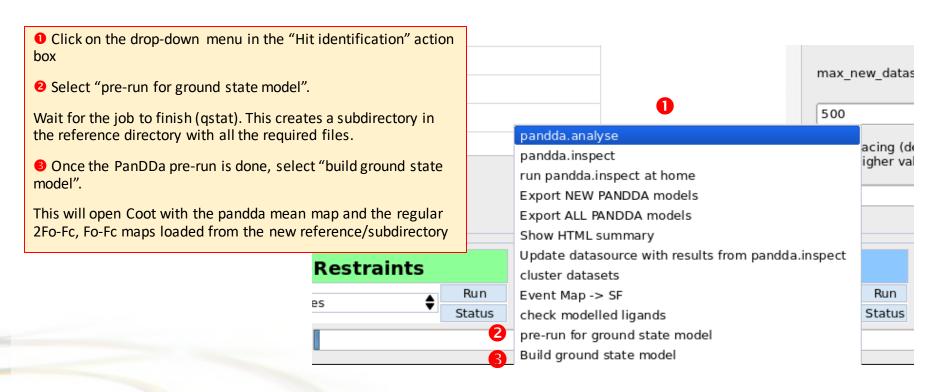
## Maps tab: Creating the ligands restraints





#### **Ground-state model building**

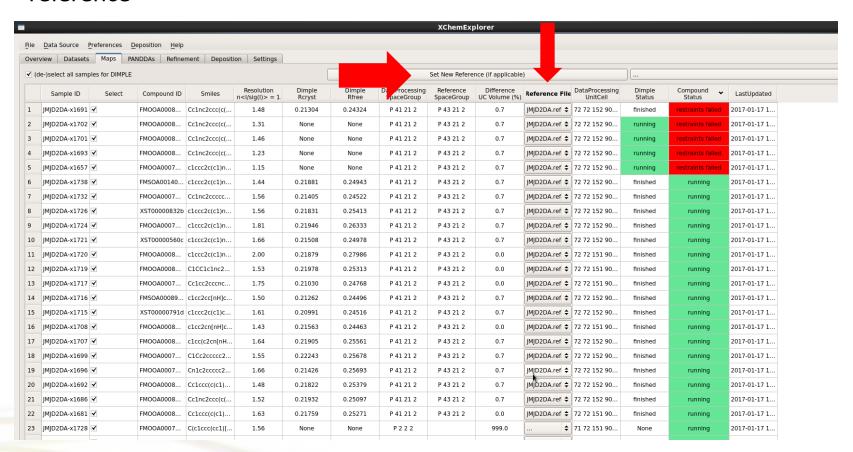
- Pre-screen data are used to build the best possible reference model: the groundstate model.
  - A PanDDA pre-run is required to calculate the mean map you will use to build the ground-state model





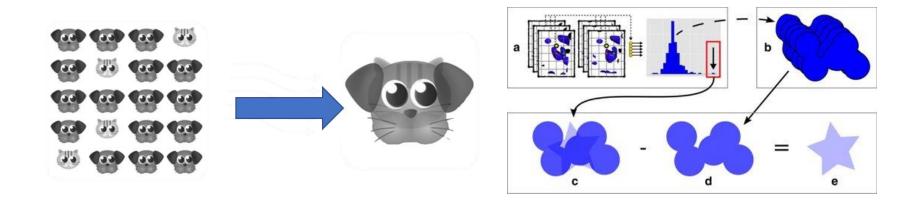
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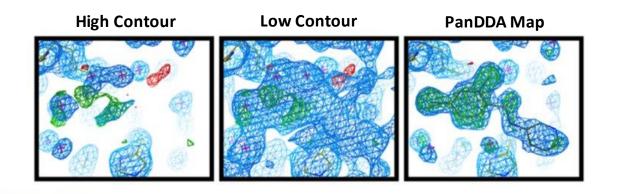
- 4) Remodel and refine the reference model as you wish using the PanDDA mean map in Coot.
- 5) Re-run Dimple (XCE Maps table) by using this ground-state model as new reference





## Finding hits - Pan Density Dataset Analysis (PanDDA)





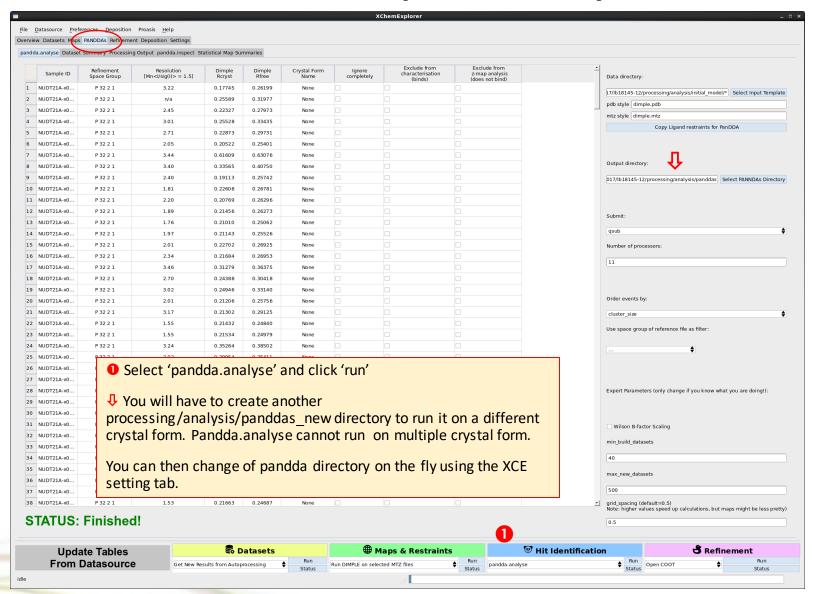


#### PanDDA workflow

- pandda.analyse: Largest component of the program. Does all the heavy lifting
  - It analyses all the data, aligns structures to a reference structure, calculates the statistical maps, identifies events, calculates event maps
  - It can take some time to run on the cluster if there are lots of datasets and the unit cell is large
- pandda.inspect: Allows the user to inspect, annotate and place the fragment in Coot - Not a refinement tool despite appearances.
- pandda.export: Generates bound+unbound ensemble models for refinement
  - Occupancy and restraints parameters for refmac and phenix are generated
  - XCE will launch a first cycle of refinements on the cluster
  - Ligand stats are calculated
- Refine bound-state model with BUSTER
  - Useful for high occupancy ligands and follow-up compounds



## PANDDAs Tab: pandda.analyse





#### How to check pandda.analyse is running?

In a terminal, type 'qstat', PANDDA job should be listed

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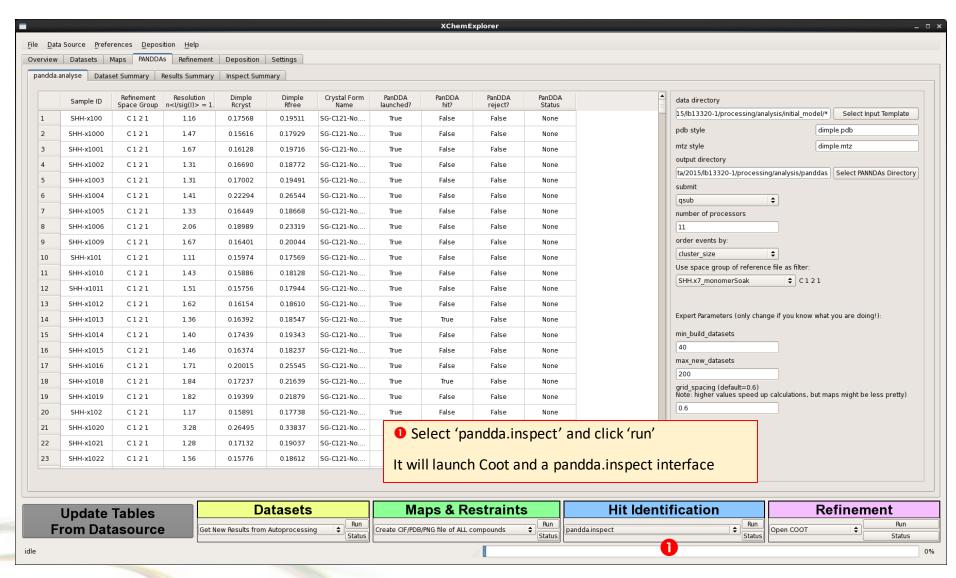
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In /dls/labxchem/data/proposal/visit/processing/analysis/panddas

- Current status of pandda job is also given by typing "tail logs/pandda-timestamp.log"
- pandda.sh is the script to edit if you want to customise your pandda.analyse job (see manual in: http://pandda.bitbucket.org)

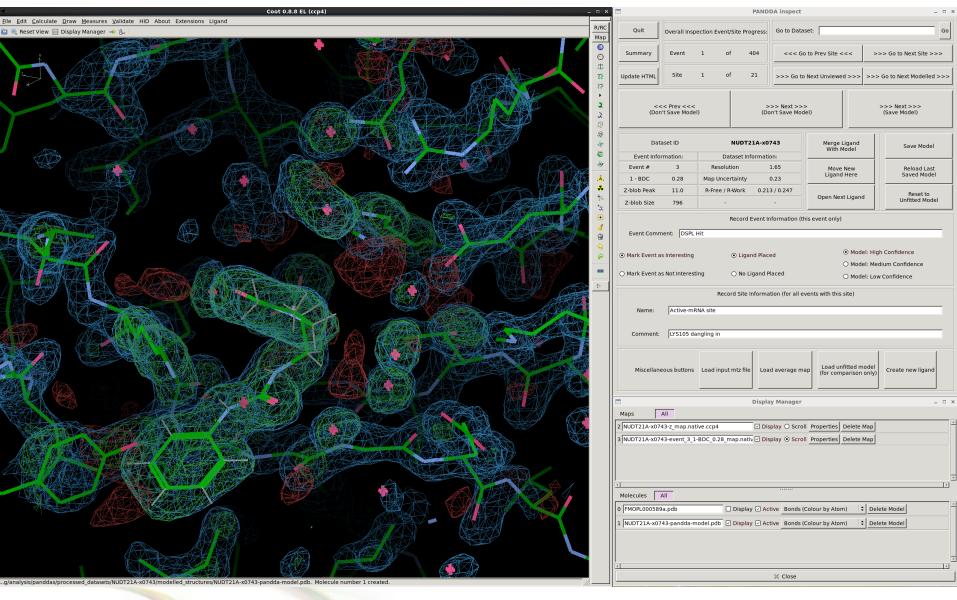


## PanDDAs Tab: pandda.inspect





## pandda.inspect

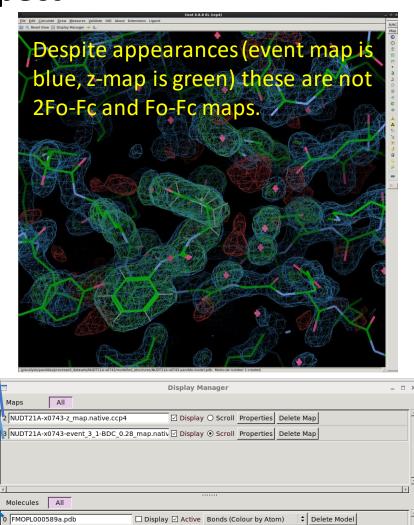




## pandda.inspect

<label>-z_map.native.ccp4 (looks like a difference map, on by default)</label>	Shows the extent of deviations from the ensemble of crystallographic datasets. Large positive or negative Z-scores (±3) indicate significant deviations from the ensemble, and may represent interesting features.
<pre><label>-event_X_1- BDC_Y_map.ccp4 (the important one! On by default)</label></pre>	Partial-difference density obtained by subtracting a fraction of the mean map from the dataset map. This reveals the density for low-occupancy binding events. X indicates which event in this dataset is being inspected, and Y indicates the amount of mean map that has been subtracted (amount subtracted = 1-Y).

ligand files	These will be automatically loaded. The ligand will be placed in the centre of the screen. Non-displayed but remains loaded if already merged
<label>-pandda- model.pdb</label>	The input structure to pandda.analyse = dimple model = ground state model



1 NUDT21A-x0743-pandda-model.pdb ☑ Display ☑ Active Bonds (Colour by Atom)

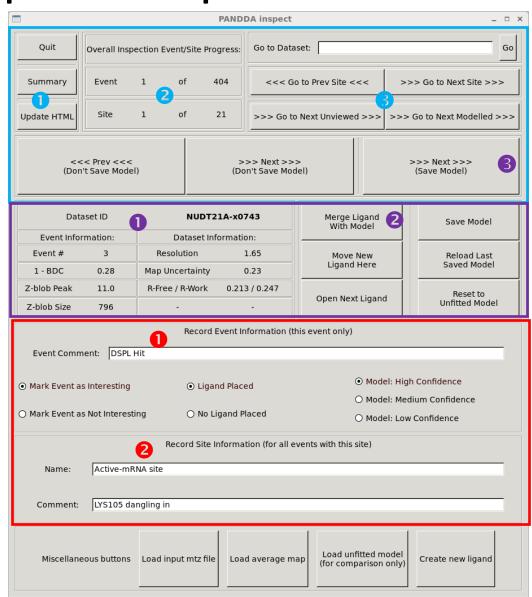


## pandda.inspect control panel

- Provide an html summary page that can be updated through the data analysis
- Indicate number of sites and events to review and its progress
- 3 To navigate through the events and sites, with the option to go straight to a dataset of interest
- Summary of PANDDA statistics
- 2 To merge the ligand to the model or add another one
- To save your work or roll back.
- To annotate the event.
- 2 To annotate the sites. It will be used in xce in the refinement step to navigate between the sites.

For your real hits to be taken to the next step, you need to have done:

- Merge ligand with Model
- Save model (or 'Next' (Save model)). A \*-pandda-model.pdb will be saved in processed\_datasets/\*/modelled\_structures/
- Update the event information as necessary
- Do not save useless/empty/dubious model





## Modelling in pandda (at least read this one slide!)

In the PanDDA paradigm, you are not trying to build the full crystallographic model. You are building a view of the protein when something is bound to it: **the bound-state model**.

- Focus on the event map of the fragment binding pocket (centred view). Do not navigate too far from the initial view, do not search for blobs using Coot tools.
- Only change/delete atoms that are "worth a change", "which mean something": which exhibit large Z-peaks in the Z-map. No action on small atom shift or very small conformation change. Every time you validate a change, pandda.inspect save it as an intermediate model which will
- Flick through your events/blobs! There is no need to linger over dubious blobs. If you cannot clearly see the ligand pose in the PanDDa fragment event map, no current tech can. You can still annotate.
- Put yourself in your chemist shoes. Would you give this model to your chemist for follow-up compound design? Would you spend 3 months and 10K of follow-up chemistry based on this blob?

1)	Prune solvent molecules and alternate sidechain conformations	Delete those atoms and alternate conformations that are not present in the event map.
2)	Fix conformations and rotamers that have changed	For those residues where the sidechain conformation or water molecule position has changed, simply correct the model as would be normal practice. Every residue that is moved in the model will lead to an alternate conformation when the ensemble model is constructed, so it is normally only necessary to model large changes from the reference model.
3)	Model the ligand (if present) and add new solvent molecules.	Add new solvent molecules to the protein model where required. The ligand should already beloaded if it was supplied to pandda.analyse. You can move it to the centre of the screen using the Move new ligand here button, and you can merge it with the model using the Merge new ligand button.
4)	Save the changes to the model.	If you want to save the changes to the model you can use the Save Model button. Or, if you use the >>> Next Event >>> (Save Model) button, the model will be saved and the next dataset will be loaded.



## Oh! And did we already tell you this?

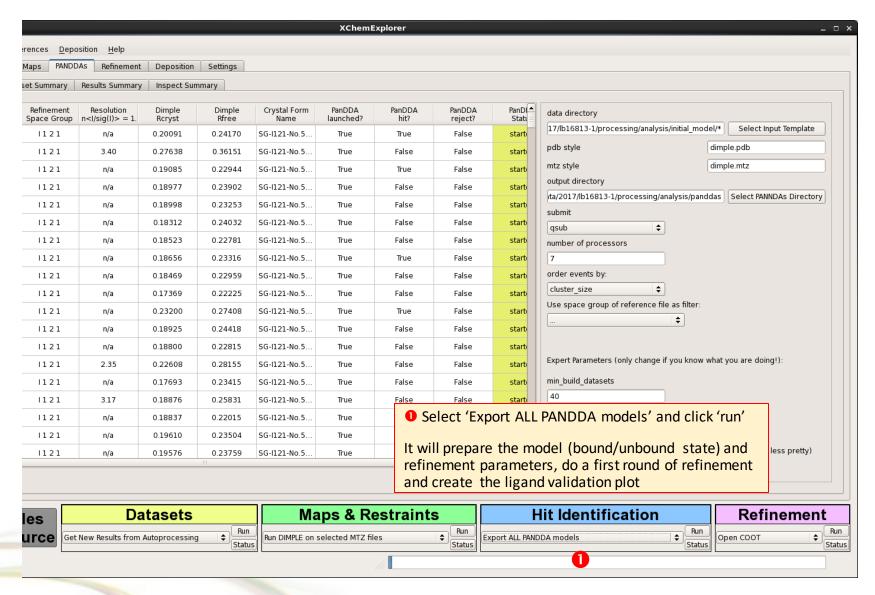




- 'Next' (Save model) interesting models only
- Do not save useless/empty/dubious models
- Annotate as you go



#### PanDDAs Tab: pandda.export





## pandda.export

#### pandda.export

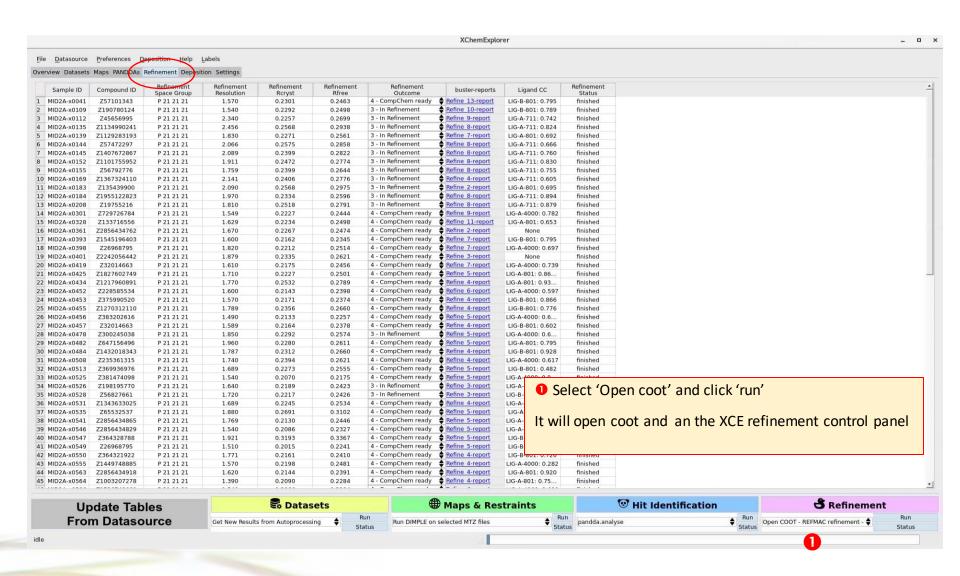
- Generates bound+unbound ensemble models for refinement
- Generates occupancy and restraints parameters for refmac and phenix
- XCE will launch a first cycle of refinements on the cluster
- Ligand stats are calculated

#### XChem jargon

- Reference model = Dimple model = no-ligand model = pandda input model = ground-state model
- Pandda model = ligand model = bound-state model
- Ground-state model + bound-state model = Ensemble model
- The ensemble model is the one refined
- The bound-state model will be the one you will update in the XCE refinement Coot window and the one which will be deposited on the PDB

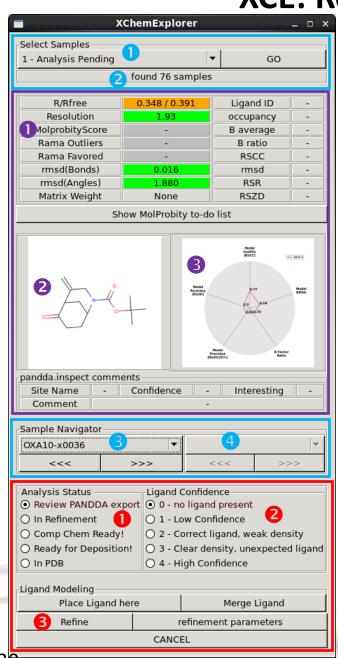


#### **Back to XCE: Refinement tab**





#### **XCE: Refinement control panel**



- Select the category/status of samples you want to refine (at the beginning: 3 in refinement\*) and click 'GO'
- 2 It will tell you how many samples were found for that category
- 3 To navigate through the samples in the selected category
- 4 To select the event of interest
  - -> pandda maps and spider plot will only be loaded after selecting the event
- \*XCE has already run on cycle of refinement straight after pandda.export
- Summary of refinement statistics
- 2 Ligand 2D plot
- 3 Ligand validation plot. The closer the values are to the center, the higher your confidence (See Nick Pearce's paper for the details)
- Manually change the status of a model:

"In Refinement", Leave it as this if you still need to refine

"Comp Chem Ready!". Ligand and binding site refined. Ok to be sent to chemist.

Some atoms to refine elsewhere may remain.

- "Ready for Deposition!". Means...
- 2 Maually select the ligand confidence for *this event*
- 3 Launch a refinement of the current model (plus other options)

'Comp chem ready' structure can be shared with your chemist to start follow-up works.



#### Merging ligand restrains with CIF file from non-standard ligand

- Open the Preferences menu (Edit preferences) and at the very bottom of the page, select the CIF file of your non-standard ligand in the 'Additional CIF file for non-standard ligand' section (see Figure 18).
- 2. Select the samples which you want to merge in the Maps tab (exactly the same way as described before).
- 3. Choose 'Merge ligand CIF file with selected compounds' and press Run.



XCE will now remove the symbolic link to the compound CIF file in the sample directory and prepare a merged version of the file in the sample directory with the same name. It does however not touch the original files in the compound subfolder!

There is only one important thing to consider before you start merging: the ligand code of the additional ligand cannot be LIG or DRG! Both codes are reserved for ligands generated by XCE.



#### Merging ligand restrains with CIF file from non-standard ligand

#### **Restore original CIF file**

In case you need/ want to restore the original CIF file:

- 1. select the samples in the Maps tab which you want to restore (see above).
- 2. choose 'Merge ligand CIF file with selected compounds' from the green action box and press Run.

Please note that this is not a requirement in case you want to merge another ligand. XCE will in this case first remove the old, merged CIF file, before doing the merging as described before.



#### **PDB Batch deposition**

- We can now deposit on the RCSB PDB our XChem fragment structures by batch
- Models and integrated data are deposited on the PDB
- PanDDA files and compound files are uploaded on the Zenodo repository
- Email the XChem team when you are ready for the batch deposition

