

# Depositing and managing data in the COD and the TCOD

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# Workshop learning objectives

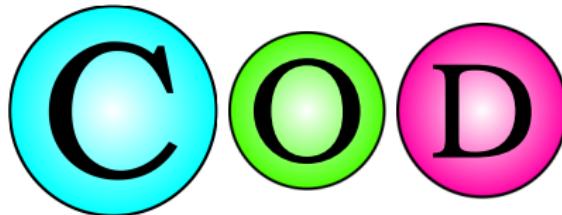
Participants will learn:

- ▶ How to deposit their data into the database including what information is needed and how to deposit raw data.
- ▶ How to maintain their data records in the (T)COD.
- ▶ About the (T)COD data management policy including the way personal data is used, how on-hold records are released to the public and how records are peer reviewed.

# Useful resources

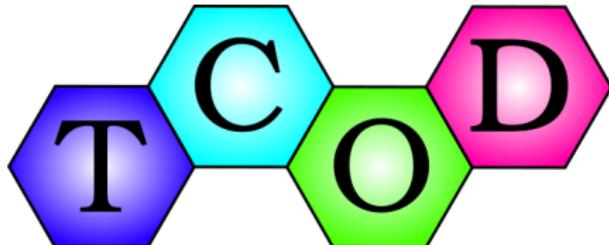
- ▶ **Workshop slides:** <https://tinyurl.com/4vj9xerp>.
- ▶ **COD wiki:** <https://wiki.crystallography.net/>.
- ▶ **Peer-reviewed publication:**  
<https://wiki.crystallography.net/cod/citing/>.
- ▶ **Contact email:** cod-bugs@ibt.lt.

# Crystallography Open Database (COD)



<https://www.crystallography.net/cod/>

- ▶ Collects experimentally determined crystal structures.
- ▶ Includes organic, inorganic, metal-organic compounds and minerals.
- ▶ Contains over 485 000 entries.
- ▶ Adheres to the FAIR data principles.
- ▶ Distributes data under the CC0 licence.



<https://www.crystallography.net/tcod/>

- ▶ Collects theoretically calculated or refined crystal structures.
- ▶ Includes organic, inorganic, metal-organic compounds and minerals.
- ▶ Contains over 2 908 entries.
- ▶ Adheres to the FAIR data principles.
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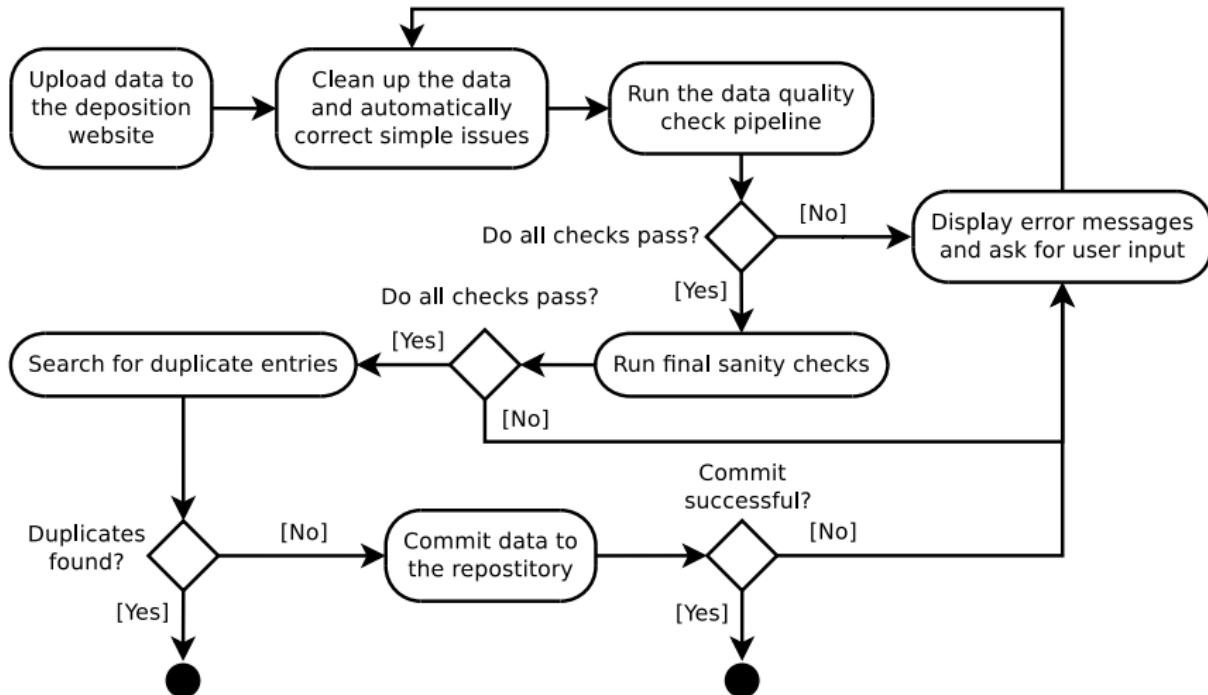
# Database organisation

- ▶ Uses CIF 1.1 as a carrier format.
- ▶ 1 entry – 1 CIF – 1 data block.
- ▶ CIF files maybe accompanied by reflection data files (HKL).
- ▶ Assigns unique immutable identifiers (COD IDs).
- ▶ Stores all files in a world-readable Subversion repository.

# Data curation practices

- ▶ Routine automated checks.
- ▶ Manual checks.
- ▶ Validation issue database.
- ▶ Data versioning.
- ▶ Change logging:
  - ▶ Subversion log.
  - ▶ Free form `_cod_depositor_comments` data item.
  - ▶ Structured `COD_CHANGELOG_ENTRY` loop.

# Data deposition workflow



# Data curation software

Software available from the `cod-tools` package:

- ▶ `COD::CIF::Parser`.
- ▶ `cif_filter`.
- ▶ `cif_correct_tags`.
- ▶ `cif_fix_values`.
- ▶ `cif_cod_check`.
- ▶ `cif_validate`.

# Deposition types: published data

The published data deposition type is intended for data that has been published in peer-reviewed publications.

Mandatory data:

- ▶ Authorship (`_publ_author_name`).
- ▶ Bibliographic information (`JOURNAL`, `_publ_section_title`).
- ▶ Lattice parameters (`_cell_length_*`, `_cell_angle_*`).
- ▶ Space group operation list (`SPACE_GROUP_SYMOP`).
- ▶ Atomic coordinates (`ATOM_SITE`).
- ▶ Chemical formula (`_chemical_formula_sum`).
- ▶ Z number (`_cell_formula_units_Z`) or sufficient data to derive it (`_exptl_crystal_density_diffrn`, `_chemical_formula_weight`).

# Deposition types: personal communication (1)

The personal communication deposition type is intended for data that was provided directly by volunteer depositors.

Mandatory data:

- ▶ Authorship (`_publ_author_name`).
- ▶ Lattice parameters (`_cell_length_*`, `_cell_angle_*`).
- ▶ Space group operation list (`SPACE_GROUP_SYMOP`).
- ▶ Atomic coordinates (`ATOM_SITE`).
- ▶ Chemical formula (`_chemical_formula_sum`).
- ▶ Z number (`_cell_formula_units_Z`) or sufficient data to derive it (`_exptl_crystal_density_diffrn`, `_chemical_formula_weight`).

Additional requirements:

- ▶ Name of the depositing user must appear in the author list.

# Deposition types: personal communication (2)

Measures of structure quality:

Data name	Value range
_refine_ls_R_factor_obs	< 0.15
_refine_ls_wR_factor_obs	< 0.35
_refine_ls_goodness_of_fit_obs	[0.6, 4]
_refine_ls_shift/esd_max	< 0.10

## Deposition types: prepublication data (1)

The prepublication data deposition type is intended for data that is in the process of being reviewed or published in a peer-reviewed publication.

- ▶ COD ID is assigned immediately after deposition.
- ▶ Initially only a minimal set of data is publicly available.
- ▶ User controls the full release date.
- ▶ Can be released as published data or as personal communication.

# Deposition types: prepublication data (2)

Mandatory data:

- ▶ Authorship (`_publ_author_name`).
- ▶ Space group operation list (`SPACE_GROUP_SYMOP`).
- ▶ Lattice parameters (`_cell_length_*`, `_cell_angle_*`).
- ▶ Atomic coordinates (`ATOM_SITE`).
- ▶ Chemical formula (`_chemical_formula_sum`).
- ▶ Z number (`_cell_formula_units_Z`) or sufficient data to derive it (`_exptl_crystal_density_diffrn`, `_chemical_formula_weight`).

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# Deposition types: prepublication data (3)

Measures of structure quality:

Data name	Value range
_refine_ls_R_factor_obs	< 0.15
_refine_ls_wR_factor_obs	< 0.35
_refine_ls_goodness_of_fit_obs	[0.6, 4]
_refine_ls_shift/esd_max	< 0.10

# Recommendations for the deposited data (1)

Recommended data:

- ▶ Reflection data (embedded or as a separate file).
- ▶ Atomic displacement parameters (ADP).
- ▶ R-factor values.
- ▶ Molecular geometry values.
- ▶ *Any piece of information that the author deems significant.*

## Recommendations for the deposited data (2)

Measures of structure quality:

Data name	Value range
_refine_ls_R_factor_obs	< 0.10
_refine_ls_wR_factor_obs	< 0.25
_refine_ls_goodness_of_fit_obs	[0.8, 2]
_refine_ls_shift/esd_max	< 0.05

## COD user account

- ▶ Used only for data deposition and maintenance.
- ▶ Requires the minimal disclosure of personal data.
- ▶ Collected data will never be forwarded to third parties.
- ▶ May be deleted by contacting `cod-bugs@ibt.lt`.

# The Test COD database

- ▶ <https://www.crystallography.net/cod-test>.
- ▶ Uses a different user account than the COD.
- ▶ Public.
- ▶ May be reset at any point.

# RESTful API

- ▶ Accepts HTTP POST requests.
- ▶ Endpoint:

<https://www.crystallography.net/cod-test/cgi-bin/cif-deposit.pl>.

- ▶ Description:

[https://wiki.crystallography.net/RESTful\\_API/#index3h1](https://wiki.crystallography.net/RESTful_API/#index3h1).

- ▶ Circumvents most of the automated fixes.

# RESTful API fields (1)

User authentication fields:

Field	Description
username	Depositor's username.
password	Depositor's password.
user_email	Depositor's e-mail address.

Common deposition fields:

Field	Description
deposition_type	published, personal, prepublication.
cif	Uploaded CIF file.
hkl	Uploaded HKL file.
output_mode	Output format: <b>html</b> , stdout.
progress	Set to 1 for a more verbose output.

## RESTful API fields (2)

Mandatory for personal and prepublication type depositions:

Field	Description
author_name	Name of the author as given in the CIF file.
author_email	Authors email address.

Optional for prepublication type depositions:

Field	Description
journal	Name of the planned publication journal.
hold_period	Hold period in months (0-12). Default: 6.
release	Set to 1 to release the data into the public domain. Must appear together with the replace field.

## RESTful API fields (3)

Optional for published type deposition:

Field	Description
doi_only	Set to 1 to treat digital object identifier (DOI) as sufficient bibliographic reference.

Mandatory when modifying existing data:

Field	Description
replace	Set to 1 to replace an existing entry with the given file.
message	Log message describing the performed changes.

## cif\_cod\_deposit (1)

The `cif_cod_deposit` script provides a simple command line interface to the COD deposition API.

Usage example:

```
cif_cod_deposit \
  -c .cod_deposit.cfg \
  --no-print-timestamps \
  --output-mode stdout \
  --cif inputs/xantheose.cif \
  --hkl inputs/xantheose.hkl \
  --log-message \
  'Initial deposition of the structural data.' \
  --url \
  https://www.crystallography.net/cod-test/cgi-bin/cif-deposit.pl \
  --script \
; 
```

## cif\_cod\_deposit (2)

Output of the `cif_cod_deposit` script when run with the `--script` option (folded for readability):

```
curl \
--silent \
--show-error \
-F message=</tmp/tmp-cif_cod_deposit-247839/message \
-F strict=1 \
-F output_mode=stdout \
-F username=</tmp/tmp-cif_cod_deposit-247839/username \
-F password=</tmp/tmp-cif_cod_deposit-247839/password \
-F user_email=</tmp/tmp-cif_cod_deposit-247839/user_email \
--user-agent cif_cod_deposit \
-F "cif=@inputs/xantheose.cif;filename=xantheose.cif" \
-F "hkl=@inputs/xantheose.hkl;filename=xantheose.hkl" \
-F deposition_type=published \
"https://www.crystallography.net/cod-test/cgi-bin/cif-deposit.pl"
```

## cif\_cod\_deposit (3)

Example of the cif\_cod\_deposit configuration file  
(e.g. ".cod.deposit.cfg"):

```
# Comment lines start with '#'
username=cod_user_42
password=p4ssw0rd
user_email=mailbox@domain.com
web_client_ip=127.0.0.1
journal=Crystallographic Databases
author_name=Name Surname
author_email=mailbox@domain.com
message=Added atomic displacement parameters.
```

# Workshop material

- ▶ Workshop material: <https://tinyurl.com/3t23rs7w>.

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