

## 3.6. CLASSIFICATION AND USE OF MACROMOLECULAR DATA

## 3.6.7.1.2. Collections of atom sites

The data items in these categories are as follows:

## (a) ATOM\_SITES

- *\_atom\_sites.entry\_id*
  - *\_entry\_id*
  - \_atom\_sites.Cartn\_transf\_matrix[1][1]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.Cartn\_tran\_matrix\_11*)
  - \_atom\_sites.Cartn\_transf\_matrix[1][2]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.Cartn\_tran\_matrix\_12*)
  - \_atom\_sites.Cartn\_transf\_matrix[1][3]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.Cartn\_tran\_matrix\_13*)
  - \_atom\_sites.Cartn\_transf\_matrix[2][1]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.Cartn\_tran\_matrix\_21*)
  - \_atom\_sites.Cartn\_transf\_matrix[2][2]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.Cartn\_tran\_matrix\_22*)
  - \_atom\_sites.Cartn\_transf\_matrix[2][3]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.Cartn\_tran\_matrix\_23*)
  - \_atom\_sites.Cartn\_transf\_matrix[3][1]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.Cartn\_tran\_matrix\_31*)
  - \_atom\_sites.Cartn\_transf\_matrix[3][2]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.Cartn\_tran\_matrix\_32*)
  - \_atom\_sites.Cartn\_transf\_matrix[3][3]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.Cartn\_tran\_matrix\_33*)
  - \_atom\_sites.Cartn\_transf\_vector[1]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.Cartn\_tran\_vector\_1*)
  - \_atom\_sites.Cartn\_transf\_vector[2]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.Cartn\_tran\_vector\_2*)
  - \_atom\_sites.Cartn\_transf\_vector[3]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.Cartn\_tran\_vector\_3*)
  - \_atom\_sites.Cartn\_transform\_axes*
  - \_atom\_sites.fract\_transf\_matrix[1][1]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.fract\_tran\_matrix\_11*)
  - \_atom\_sites.fract\_transf\_matrix[1][2]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.fract\_tran\_matrix\_12*)
  - \_atom\_sites.fract\_transf\_matrix[1][3]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.fract\_tran\_matrix\_13*)
  - \_atom\_sites.fract\_transf\_matrix[2][1]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.fract\_tran\_matrix\_21*)
  - \_atom\_sites.fract\_transf\_matrix[2][2]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.fract\_tran\_matrix\_22*)
  - \_atom\_sites.fract\_transf\_matrix[2][3]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.fract\_tran\_matrix\_23*)
  - \_atom\_sites.fract\_transf\_matrix[3][1]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.fract\_tran\_matrix\_31*)
  - \_atom\_sites.fract\_transf\_matrix[3][2]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.fract\_tran\_matrix\_32*)
  - \_atom\_sites.fract\_transf\_matrix[3][3]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.fract\_tran\_matrix\_33*)
  - \_atom\_sites.fract\_transf\_vector[1]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.fract\_tran\_vector\_1*)
  - \_atom\_sites.fract\_transf\_vector[2]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.fract\_tran\_vector\_2*)
  - \_atom\_sites.fract\_transf\_vector[3]*  
(~ *\_atom\_sites.fract\_tran\_vector\_3*)
  - \_atom\_sites.solution\_hydrogens*
  - \_atom\_sites.solution\_primary*
  - \_atom\_sites.solution\_secondary*
  - \_atom\_sites.special\_details*

## (b) ATOM\_SITES\_FOOTNOTE

- *\_atom\_sites\_footnote.id*
- \_atom\_sites\_footnote.text*

The bullet (•) indicates a category key. The arrow (→) is a reference to a parent data item. Items in italics have aliases in the core CIF dictionary formed by changing the full stop (.) to an underscore (\_) except where indicated by the ~ symbol.

The ATOM\_SITES category of the core dictionary, which is used to record information that applies collectively to all the atom sites in the model of the structure, is incorporated without change into the mmCIF dictionary, and Section 3.2.4.1.2 can be consulted for details.

In practice, the data names in the PHASING categories are preferred to the aliases to the core CIF data items *\_atom\_sites.solution\_primary*, *\*\_secondary* and *\*\_hydrogens*. The data items in the mmCIF PHASING categories are designed to allow a much more detailed description of how a macromolecular structure was solved.

Example 3.6.7.2. Footnotes for particular groups of atom sites in an HIV-1 protease structure (PDB 5HVP) using data items in the ATOM\_SITES\_FOOTNOTE category.

```
loop_
  _atom_sites_footnote.id
  _atom_sites_footnote.text
  3
; The positions of these water molecules correlate
with the alternative orientations of the
inhibitor. Water molecules with alternative ID
"1" and occupancy 0.58 correlate with
inhibitor orientation "1". Water molecules with
alternative ID "2" and occupancy 0.42 correlate
with inhibitor orientation "2".
;
  4
; Side chains of these residues adopt alternative
orientations that do not correlate with the
alternative orientation of the inhibitor.
;
```

The data item *\_atom\_sites.entry\_id* has been added to the ATOM\_SITES category to provide the formal category key required by the DDL2 data model.

The ATOM\_SITES\_FOOTNOTE category can be used to note something about a group of sites in the ATOM\_SITE coordinate list, each of which is flagged with the same value of *\_atom\_site.footnote\_id*. For example, an author may wish to note atoms for which the electron density is very weak, or atoms for which static disorder has been modelled. Example 3.6.7.2 shows how an author has used these data items to describe alternative orientations in part of a structure. However, the very large number of data names describing specific structural characteristics in the mmCIF dictionary mean that these rather general data names are rarely needed.

## 3.6.7.1.3. Atom types

The data items in this category are as follows:

## ATOM\_TYPE

- *\_atom\_type.symbol*
- \_atom\_type.analytical\_mass\_percent*  
(~ *\_atom\_type\_analytical\_mass\_%*)
- \_atom\_type.description*
- \_atom\_type.number\_in\_cell*
- \_atom\_type.oxidation\_number*
- \_atom\_type.radius\_bond*
- \_atom\_type.radius\_contact*
- \_atom\_type.scat\_Cromer\_Mann\_a1*
- \_atom\_type.scat\_Cromer\_Mann\_a2*
- \_atom\_type.scat\_Cromer\_Mann\_a3*
- \_atom\_type.scat\_Cromer\_Mann\_a4*
- \_atom\_type.scat\_Cromer\_Mann\_b1*
- \_atom\_type.scat\_Cromer\_Mann\_b2*
- \_atom\_type.scat\_Cromer\_Mann\_b3*
- \_atom\_type.scat\_Cromer\_Mann\_b4*
- \_atom\_type.scat\_Cromer\_Mann\_c*
- \_atom\_type.scat\_dispersion\_imag*
- \_atom\_type.scat\_dispersion\_real*
- \_atom\_type.scat\_dispersion\_source*
- \_atom\_type.scat\_length\_neutron*
- \_atom\_type.scat\_source*
- \_atom\_type.scat\_versus\_sto1\_list*

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The ATOM\_TYPE category, which provides information about the atomic species associated with each atom site in the model of the structure, is used in the same way in the mmCIF dictionary as in the core CIF dictionary. See Section 3.2.4.1.3 for details.