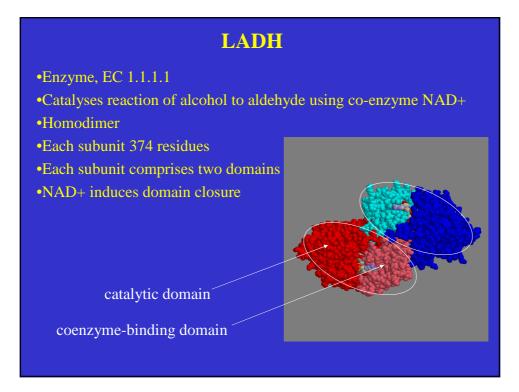
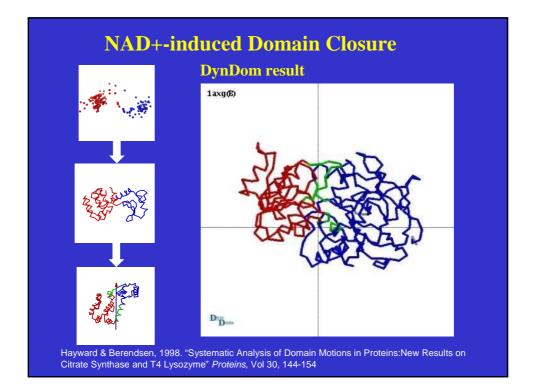
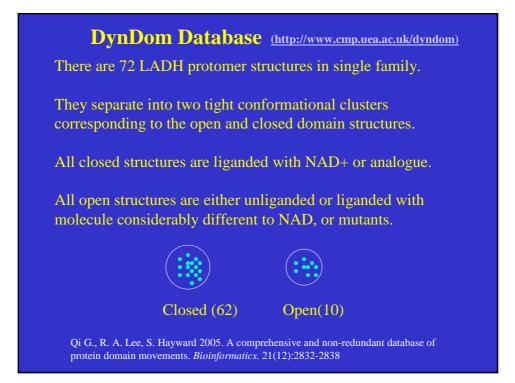
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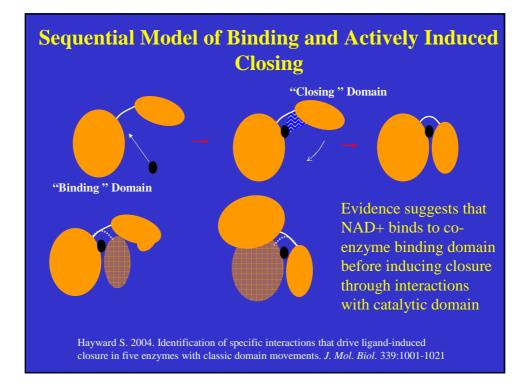
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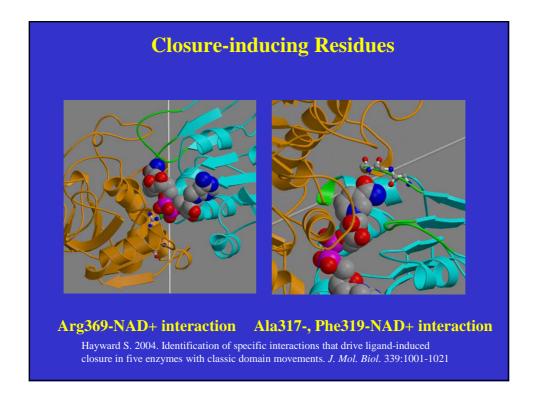
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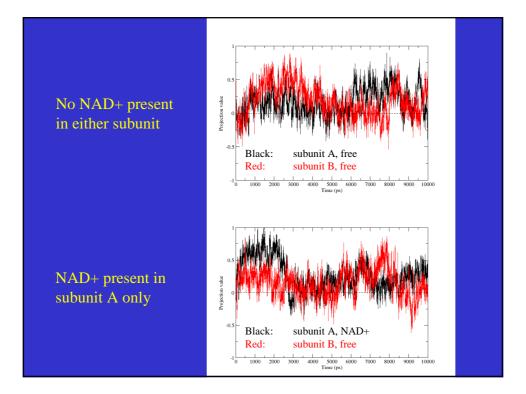


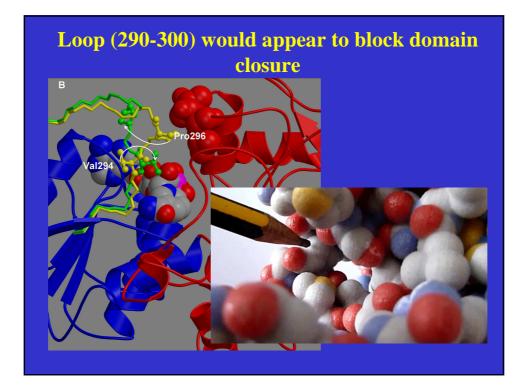


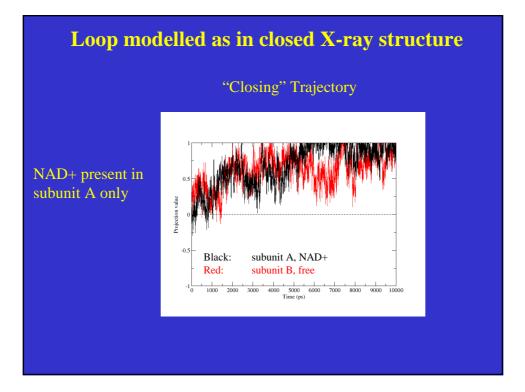
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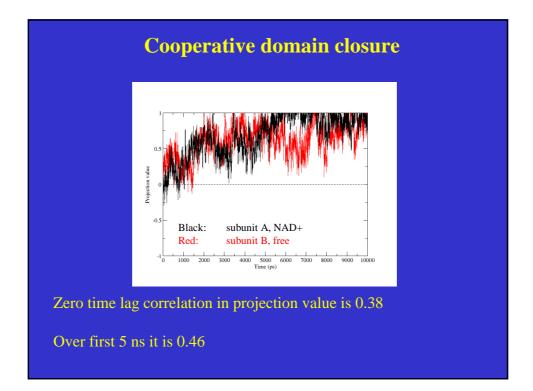
- •Performed using AMBER 7.0
- •Full dimeric LADH molecule + water =approx 70,000 atoms
- •In total five 10 ns simulations were performed
- •NAD+ modelled onto co-enzyme-binding domain of open

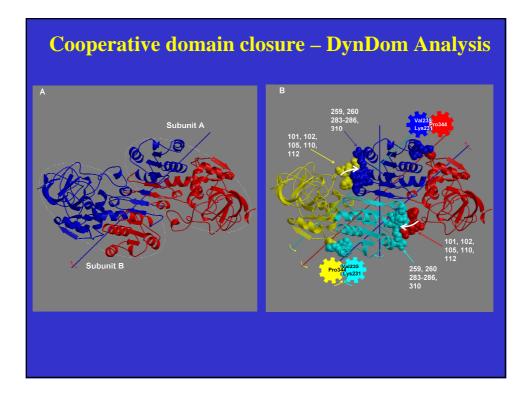
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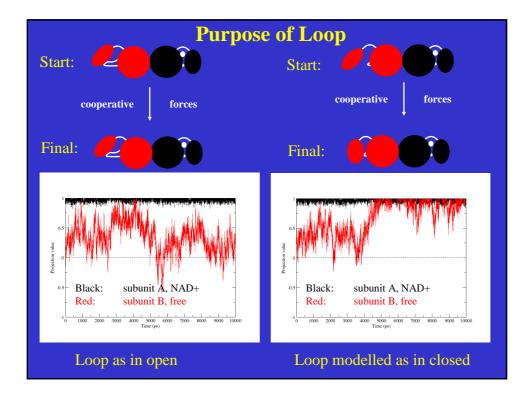


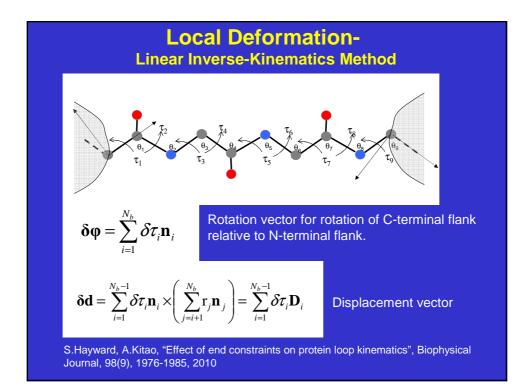


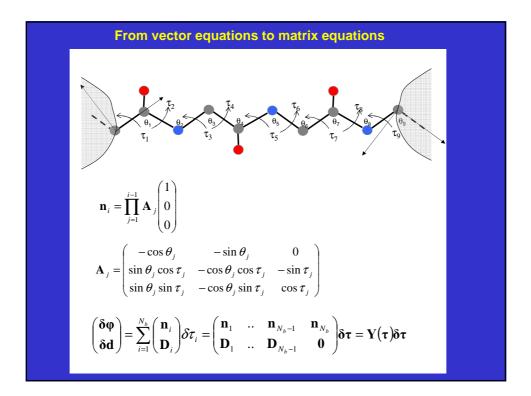


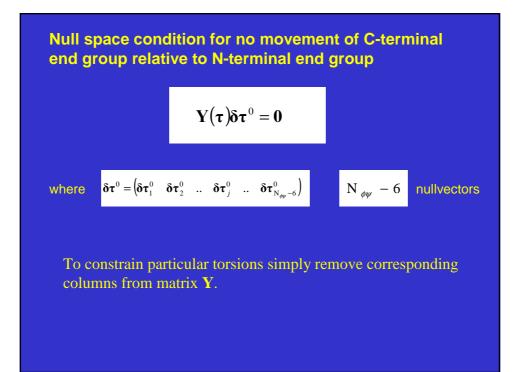


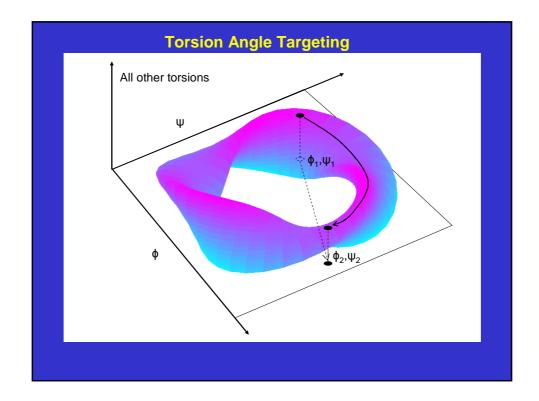


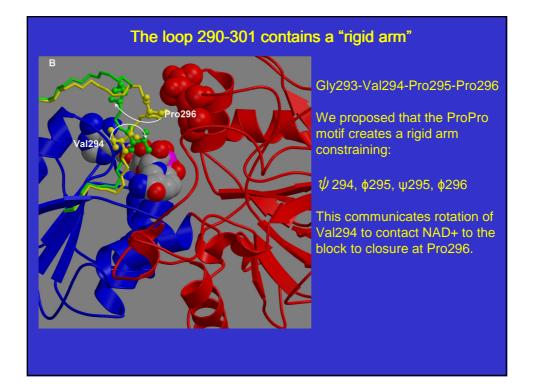


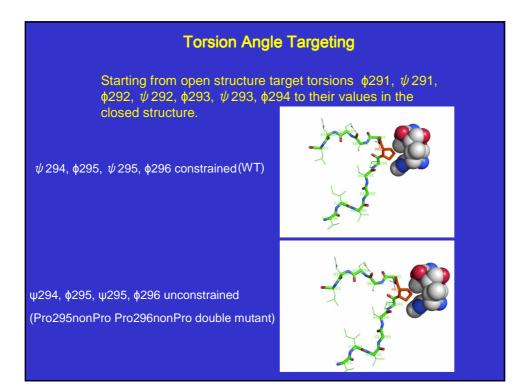


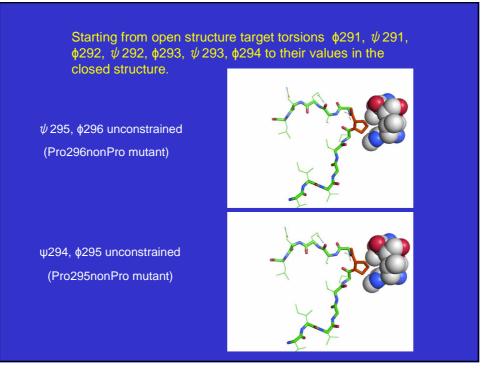


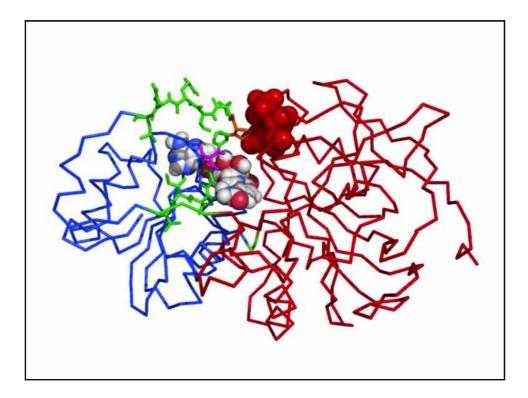












## Conclusions

- Domain closure in LADH is driven by specific interactions between NAD+ and residues on the catalytic domain.
- The loop appears to block domain closure in the absence of NAD+.
- A cooperative mechanism acts between the subunits.
- Using a linear inverse-kinematics technique we have confirmed that the Pro-Pro motif on the loop creates a rigid arm for communicating the presence of NAD+ to the blocking region.
- This shows that in this enzyme a there is a NAD+ activated switch for domain closure.

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