## Comparison of the monomer structure of the FMN binding protein from *Desulfovibrio* vulgaris obtained by NMR and molecular dynamics simulation approaches

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Flavin mononucleotide (FMN)-binding proteins (FBPs) play an important role in the electron transport process in bacteria. In this work, the structures of the FBP from Desulfovibrio vulgaris (Miyazaki F) (DvFBP) were compared between those obtained experimentally by nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectroscopy and those derived from molecular dynamics simulations (MDSs). A high residue root of mean square deviation (RMSD) was observed in residues located at both sides of the wings (Gly22, Glu23, Asp24, Ala59, Arg60, Asp61, Glu62, Gly75, Arg76, Asn77, Gly78, and Pro79), whilst a low residue RMSD was found in residues located in a hollow of the structure (Asn12, Glu13, Gly14, Val15, Val16, Asn30, Thr31, Trp32, Asn33, Ser34, Gly69, Ser70, Arg71, and Lys72). Inter-planar angles between the Phe7 and Iso and between the Phe7 and Trp106 residues were remarkably different between the MDS- and NMRderived DvFBP structures. Distribution of the torsion angles around the covalent bonds in the aliphatic chain of FMN were similar in the MDS- and NMR-derived structures, except for those around the C1'-C2' and C5'-O5' bonds. Hydrogen bond formation between IsoO2 and the Gly49 or Gly50 peptide NH was formed in both the NMR- and MDS-derived structures. Overall, the MDS-derived structures were found to be considerably different from the NMR-derived ones, which must be considered when the photoinduced electron transfer in flavoproteins is analysed with MDS-derived structures.