Protein Folding and Dynamics

Proteins are the functional entities in all living systems. It has long been known that the functional three-dimensional structure of a protein is coded for by its primary one-dimensional amino-acid sequence, but the mechanism by which this folding happens is still not completely understood. The folding process is an intriguing example of biological wizardry, in which a polypeptide chain self-assembles into the unique native structure that holds the key to its function. Although there has been considerable recent progress, several fundamental and inter-linked questions remain to be figured out about this self-packing puzzle. Do proteins take shape gradually, in fits and starts, or all at once? Are there flip-flops? What comes first, an outline of the shape or the details? Is there only one folding sequence for each protein? This meeting will discuss these topical issues in protein folding.

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