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Expression, purification, crystallization and X-ray diffraction analysis of ChiL, a chitinase from *Chitiniphilus shinanonensis*

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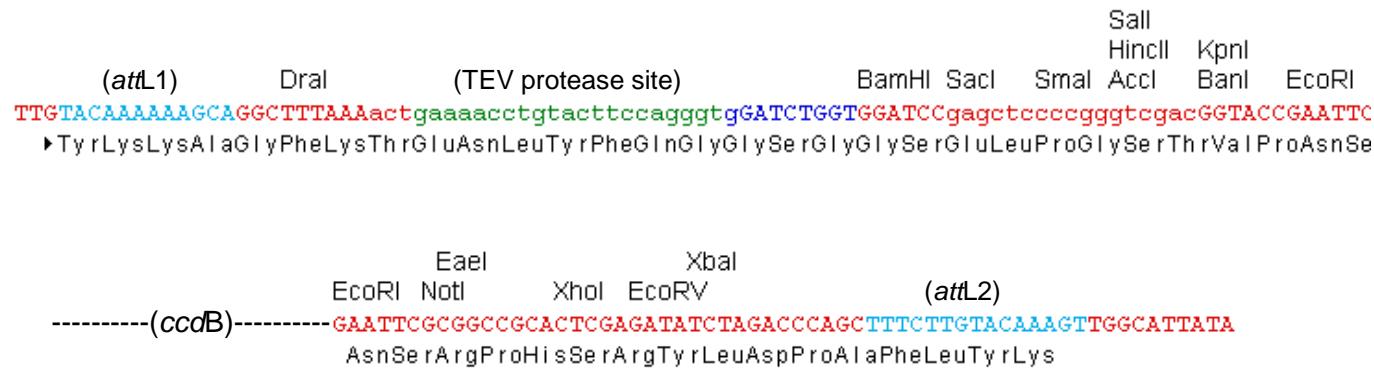
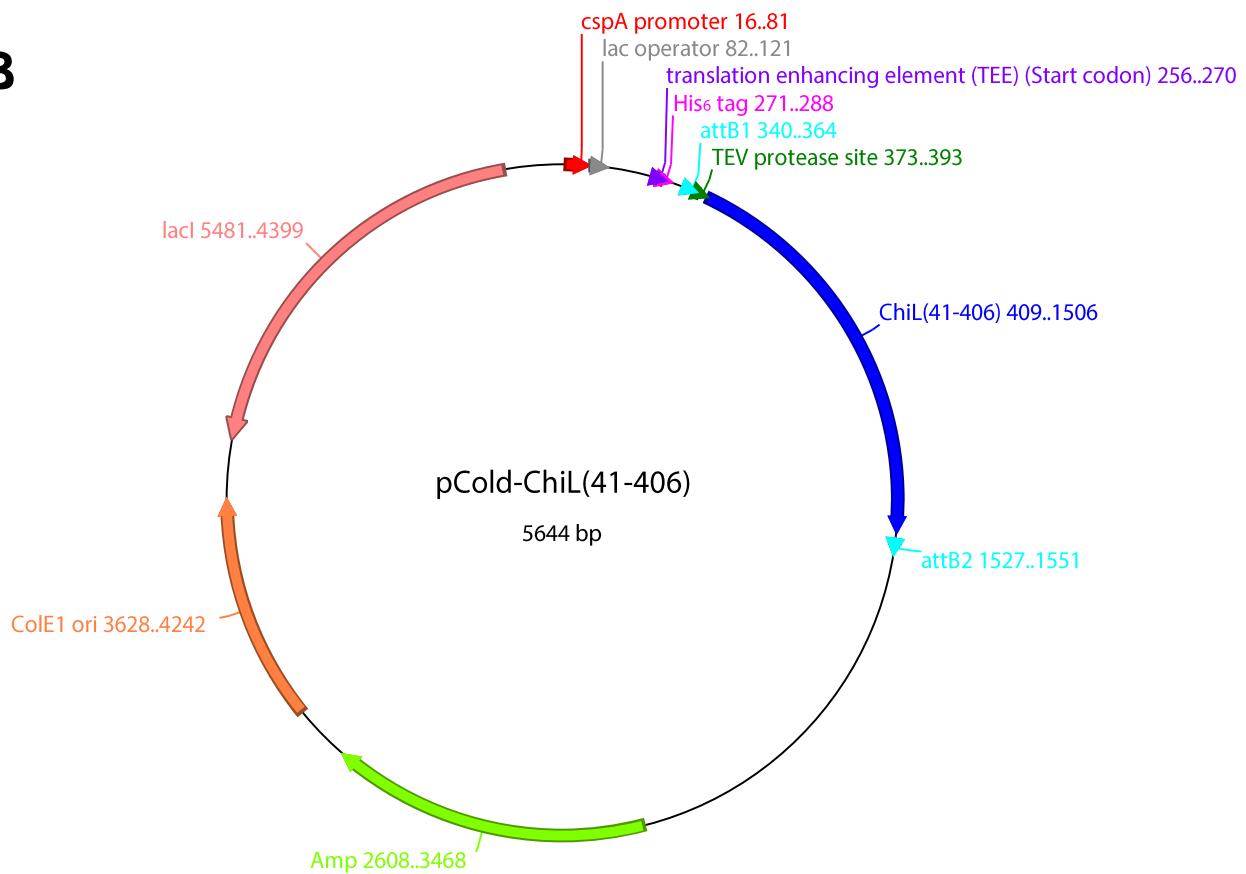
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Figure S1 (A) Multi-cloning site of pENTR-TEV-*ccdB*, a modified Gateway entry vector with a tobacco etch virus (TEV) protease cleavage site (ENLYFQ|G), derived from pENTR1A (Invitrogen, Thermo Fisher Scientific). (B) Map of the protein expression plasmid vector, pCold-ChiL(41-406), which was constructed using LR reaction of Gateway technology (Invitrogen) with pENTR-TEV-L-ChiL(41-406) and pCold I-DEST, a modified pCold I DNA (Takara Bio) expression vector bearing a cold shock protein *cspA* promoter, an N-terminal His₆-tag, and a Gateway reading frame cassette (Invitrogen). The vector map was created using *ApE* (A plasmid Editor by M. Wayne Davis) (<http://biologylabs.utah.edu/jorgensen/wayned/ape/>).

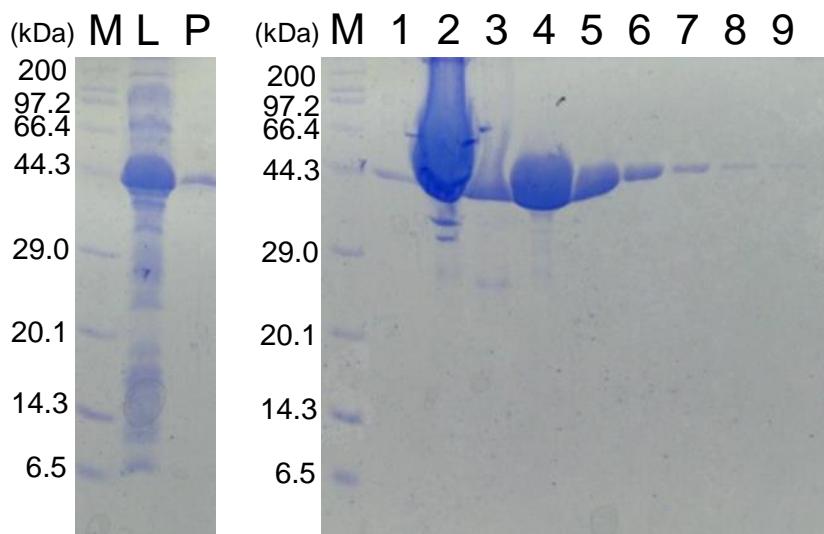


Figure S2 SDS-PAGE analysis of ChiL(41-406) purification by immobilized-metal affinity chromatography (IMAC). Lanes M, molecular mass standards (protein molecular weight marker (broad), Takara Bio); lane L, lysate of cells; lane P, pellet of cell extract, lanes 1–9, eluted fractions of ChiL(41-406) by IMAC. Proteins were detected by staining with Coomassie Brilliant Blue (CBB).

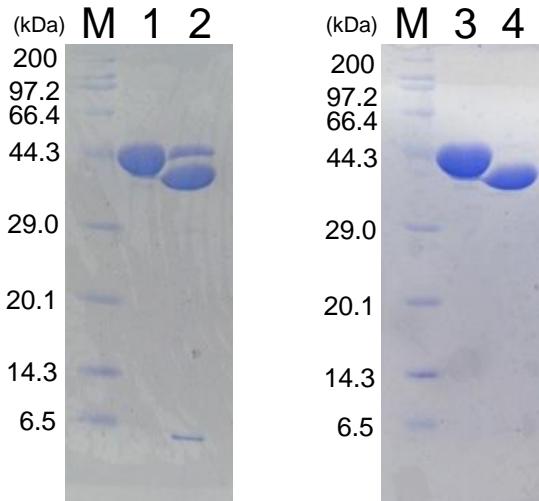


Figure S3 SDS–PAGE analysis of ChiL(41-406) purification process: cleavage of a His₆ tag by TEV protease. Lanes M, molecular mass standards; lanes 1 and 3, the sample before TEV protease treatment; lane 2, the sample after TEV protease treatment; lane 4, the TEV protease-treated sample after removal of the His₆ tag by IMAC. Proteins were detected by staining with CBB.

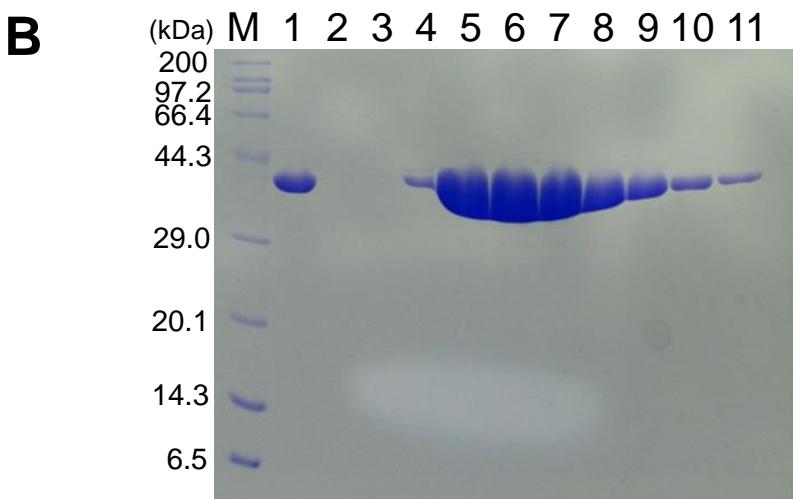
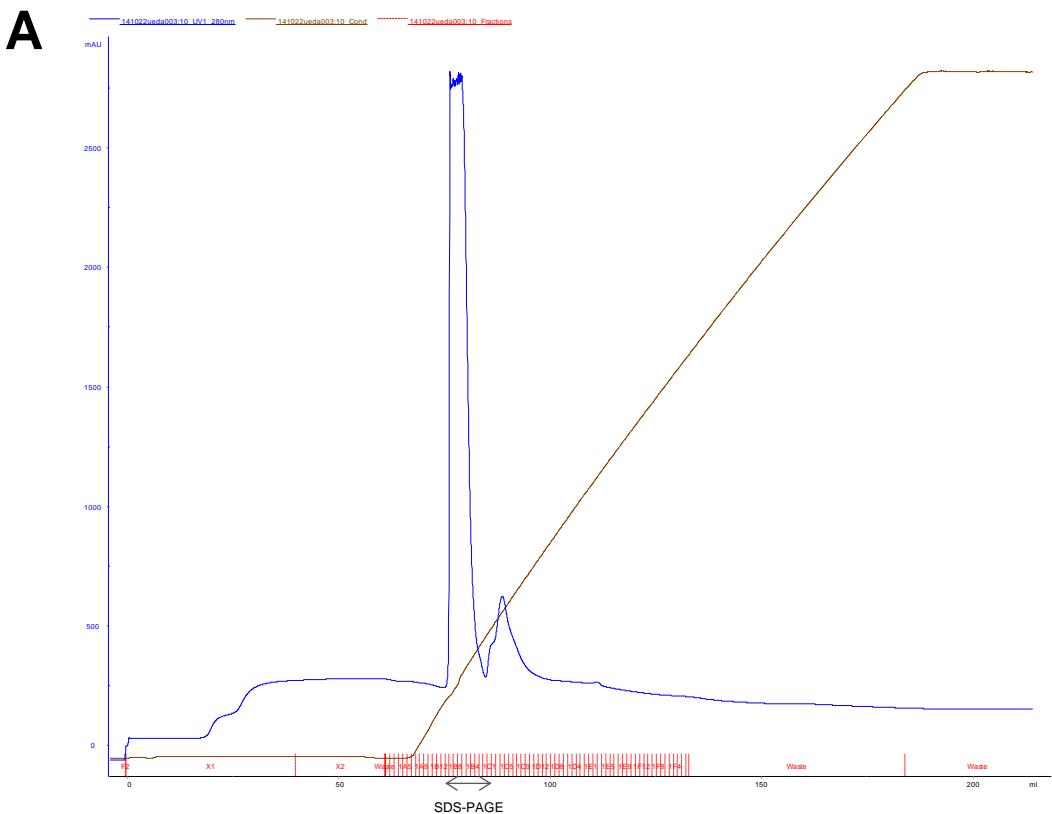


Figure S4 ChiL(41-406) purification by anion exchange chromatography (AEC).

(A) Chromatogram of ChiL(41-406) purification by AEC using an AKTAexplorer HPLC system with a RESOURCE Q (6 ml) column (GE healthcare). (B) SDS-PAGE analysis of ChiL(41-406) purification by AEC. Lanes M, molecular mass standards; lane 1, ChiL(41-406) protein sample before AEC; lanes 2–11, eluted peak fractions of ChiL(41-406) by AEC. Proteins were detected by staining with CBB.

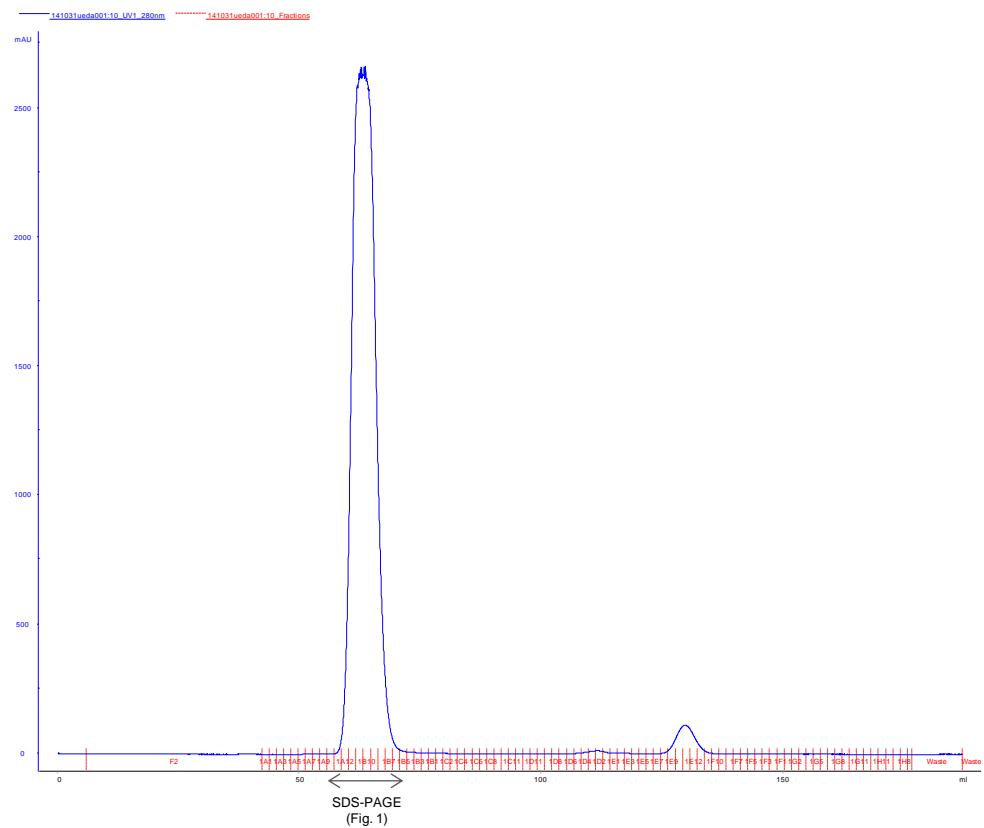
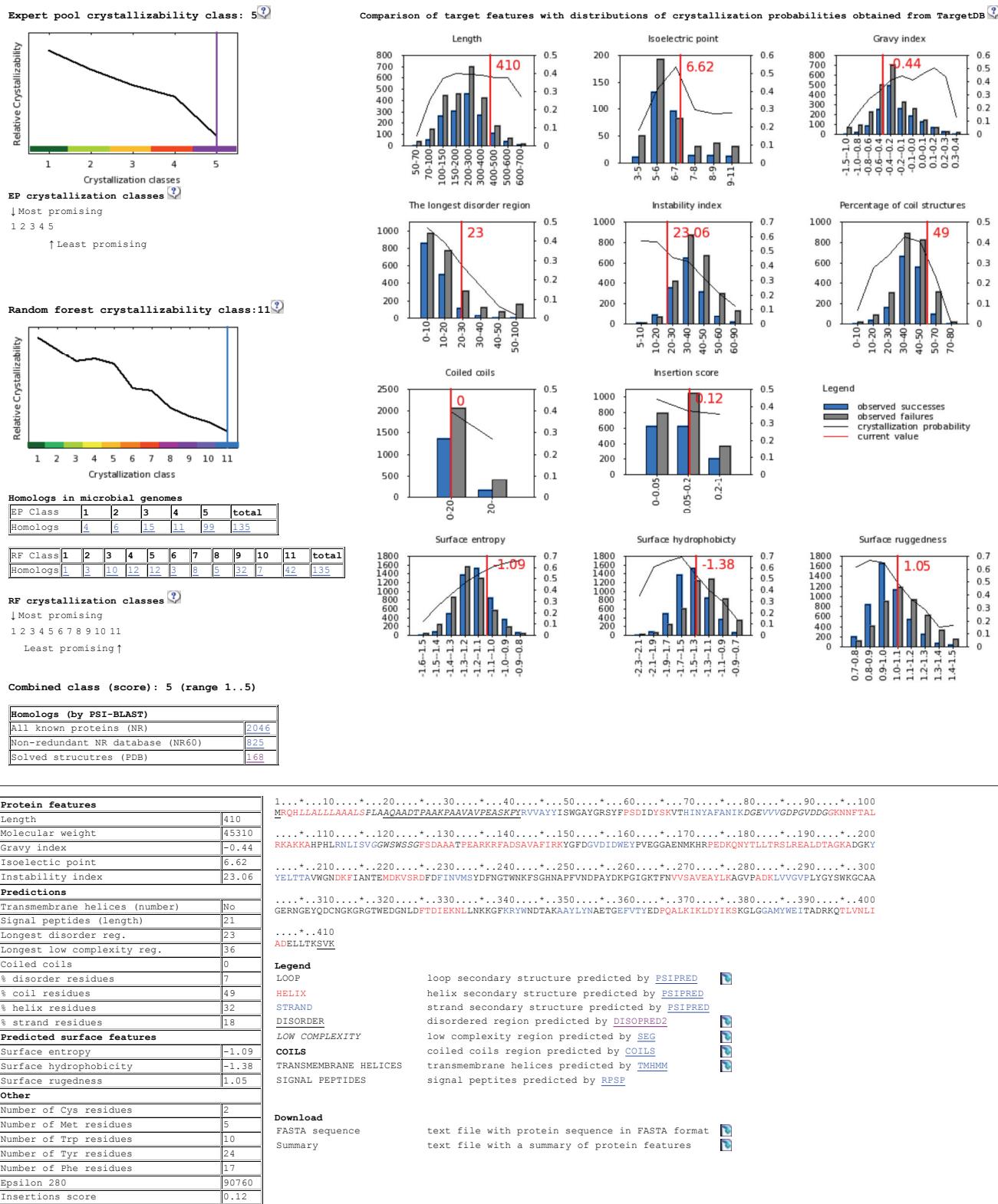


Figure S5 Chromatogram of ChiL(41-406) purification by size exclusion chromatography (SEC) using an AKTAexplorer 10S HPLC system with a HiLoad 16/600 Superdex 75 pg column (GE Healthcare). Proteins were detected by staining with CBB.

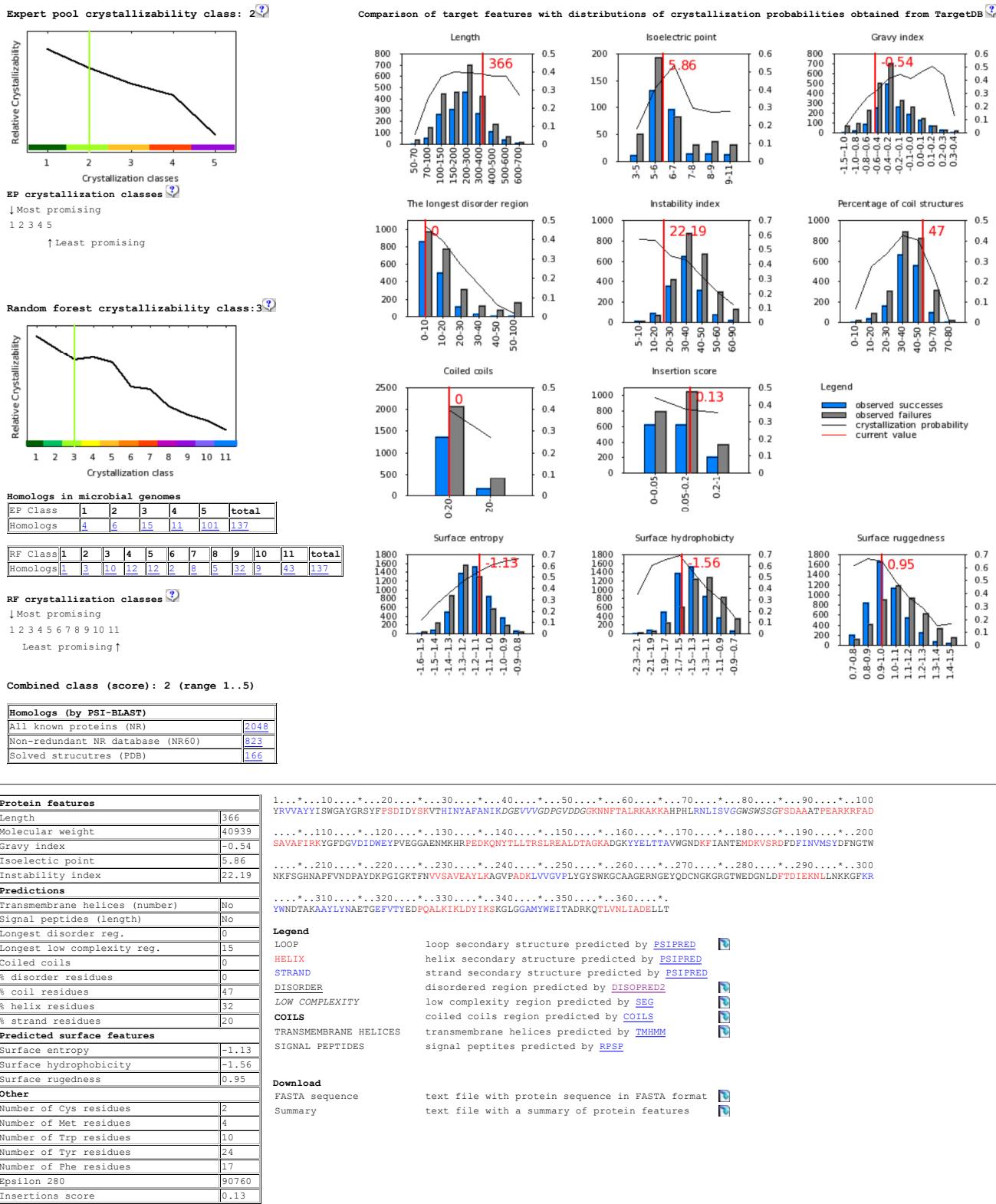


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Figure S6 Crystallizability prediction results of the full-length ChiL(1-410) by XtalPred web server (Slabinski *et al.*, 2007).



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Figure S7 Crystallizability prediction results of the truncated ChiL(41-406) (i.e. the catalytic domain) by *XtalPred* web server (Slabinski *et al.*, 2007).

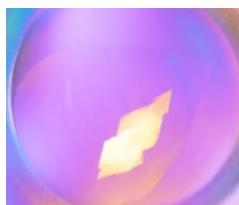
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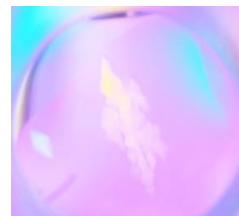
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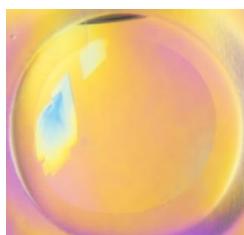
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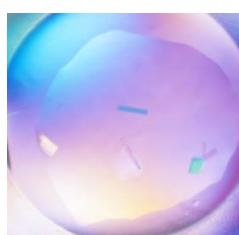
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PEGRx



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G9 (20% PEG 5000, 0.1 M BIS-TRIS pH 9.0, 2-propanol)

Wizard



A6 (20% PEG 3000, 0.1 M Sodium citrate pH 5.5)



G4 (20% PEG 8000, 0.1 M MES pH 6.0, 0.2 M Calcium acetate)

Figure S8 Crystals obtained by the sitting drop vapor diffusion method with 96-well protein crystallization plates using crystallization screens, Index HT (Hampton Research), PEGRx HT (Hampton Research), and Wizard Classic 1 and 2 block (Rigaku Reagents).