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Crystallization of an Oxygen-evolving Photosystem II Complex and Its Preliminary Characteristics of X-ray Diffraction

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Photosystem II (PSII) reaction center complex is a multi-protein complex consisting of more than 10 membrane proteins, with a total molecular mass of about 250kDa. The complex locates in the thylakoid membranes of higher plants and cyanobacteria, and performs primary photosynthetic reactions, i.e., electron transfer from water to acceptor quinone, resulting in the production of molecular oxygen. We report the crystallization of a PSII complex and its preliminary characteristics of X-ray diffraction, PSII particle was prepared from thylakoid membranes of rice by serial solubilization with detergent of Trition X-100 and n-hepthylthioglucoside (HTG), followed by pruification of the PSII complex from other membraneous components with ion-exchange and gel-filteration chromatograph after solubilization of PSII particle n-dodecylmaltoside (DM). The purified PSII complex retained, besides intrinsic several components, the extrinsic 33 kDa in addition to intrinsic constituents but lack the other extrinsic 23 and 17 kDa proteins, and evolved oxygen at a rate of $500 \ \mu mol \ 0_2$ per mg chlorophyll per hour. Isolated PSII complex are pillar-shaped rods with a size of 22.8 x 5.4 nm in a side-view.