

program SEDNTERP (Version 1.09, available on the World Wide Web)⁵⁸. All data were analyzed using the program Heteroanalysis⁵⁹.

Crystallization

Crystals were grown by sitting drop vapor diffusion at 21°C. Vps4_{104-437,E233Q} crystallized in drops comprising 2 µl of 13 mg/ml protein, 50 mM NaCl, 25 mM Tris pH 7.4, 1 mM DTT, 4 mM MgCl₂, and 2 mM ATPγS, mixed with 1 µl of reservoir solution (48% ethylene glycol (vol/vol), Bis-Tris pH 5.0). Crystals were cryo-cooled by plunging into liquid nitrogen directly from the crystallization solution. Vps4_{122-437,E233Q} was crystallized in drops comprising 2 µl of 12 mg/ml protein, 100 mM NaCl, 25 mM Tris pH 7.4, 1 mM DTT, 4 mM MgCl₂, and 1 mM ATPγS, mixed with 2 µl reservoir solution (1.6 M ammonium sulfate, 0.1 M Bis-Tris pH 5.5). Crystals were briefly transferred to cryoprotectant (mother liquor made up with 20% glycerol), suspended in a nylon loop, and cryo-cooled by plunging into liquid nitrogen.

Structure Determination and Refinement

Diffraction data from Vps4₁₀₄₋₄₃₇ and Vps4₁₂₂₋₄₃₇ crystals were collected at Beamline X25 of the National Synchrotron Light Source, Brookhaven National Laboratory, and scaled and integrated by using the HKL2000 suite⁶⁰. Crystal structures were determined by molecular replacement using PHASER⁶¹. A polyalanine/homology search based on the human VPS4B structure (pdb code 1XWI)²⁵ was used to determine Vps4_{122-437,E233Q}, and this refined structure was used to determine the structure of Vps4_{104-437,E233Q}. Model building was performed with COOT⁶². Structures