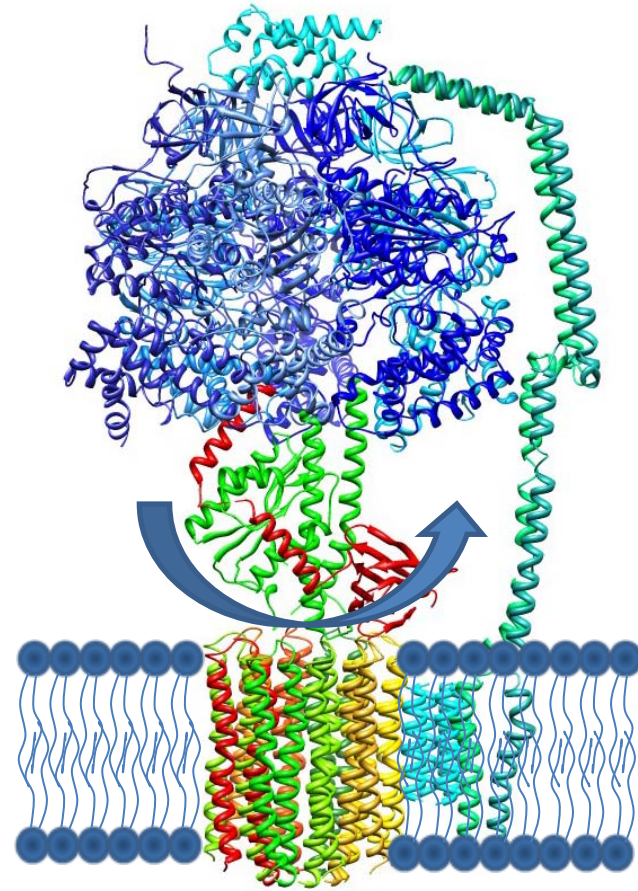
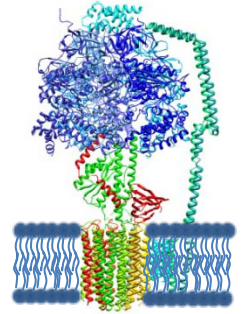


**Why does the
H⁺-ATPase
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Why does the H⁺-ATPase rotate?



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Rotational catalysis is the only way that all three catalytic sites could proceed sequentially and identically with modulation by one single copy subunit.



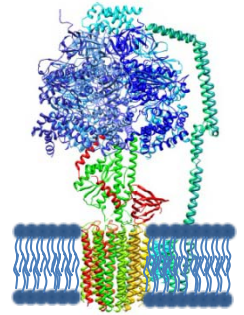
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A poem by Robert Frost gives a short and appropriate description:

We dance round in a ring and suppose
The secret sits in the middle and knows

Why does the H⁺-ATPase rotate?



MOSES

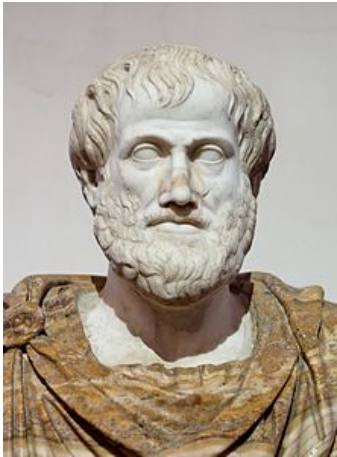
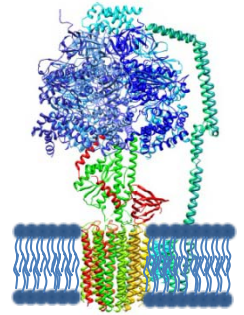
And the LORD came down from the Heaven and HE said to the H⁺-ATPase : "Thou shalt rotate". And the H⁺-ATPase started to rotate and there was much rejoicing.



BUDDHA

Asking this question denies your own rotational nature.

Why does the H⁺-ATPase rotate?



ARISTOTELES

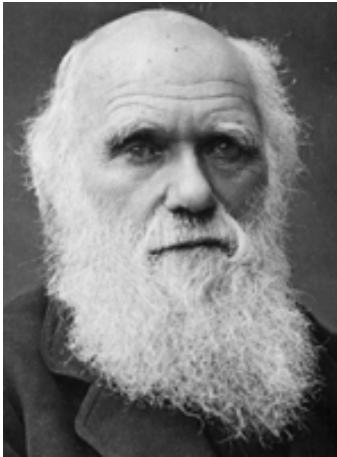
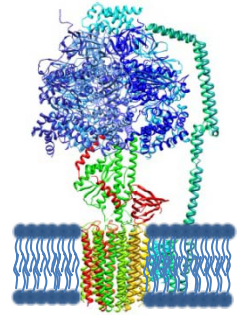
It is the nature of H⁺-ATPases to rotate.



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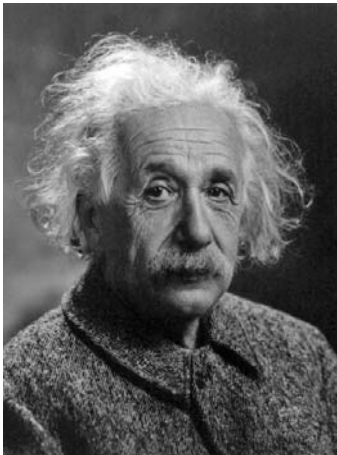
The important thing is the rotation of the H⁺-ATPase. Who cares why? The fact of rotation justifies any motivation.

Why does the H⁺-ATPase rotate?



CHARLES DARWIN

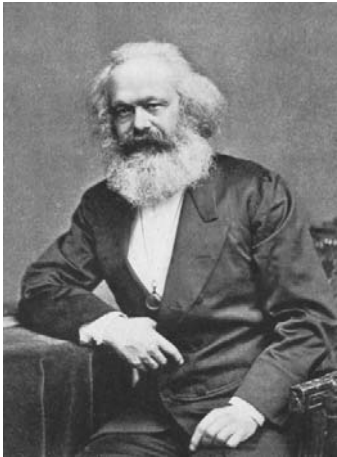
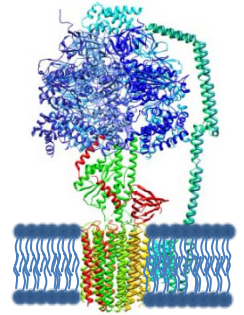
H⁺-ATPases have been selected by nature over a long period of time so that they are now genetically prepared to rotate.



ALBERT EINSTEIN

The question whether the H⁺-ATPase rotates or whether the membrane rotates depends on your reference system.

Why does the H⁺-ATPase rotate?



KARL MARX

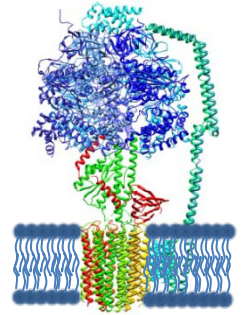
Historically, this was inevitable.



MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

I have a dream: I see a world where all H⁺-ATPases are free to rotate and nobody will ask about their motivations.

Why does the H⁺-ATPase rotate?



RICHARD M NIXON

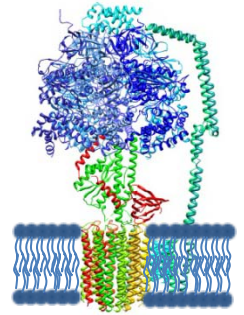
The H⁺-ATPase has not rotated. I repeat the H⁺-ATPase has NOT rotated.



ANGELA MERKEL

There is no alternative.

Why does the H⁺-ATPase rotate?



BILL CLINTON

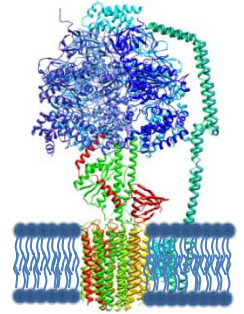
I never rotated this enzyme.



JOSEPH STALIN

I don't care. Catch it. I need the ATP.

Why does the H⁺-ATPase rotate?



RYUNOSUKE AKUTAGAWA

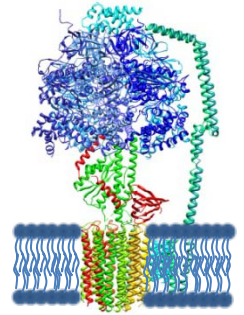
**This cannot be answered unequivocally.
Ask any of the parts involved in rotation:
Each one will give you a different
answer.**



ERNEST HEMINGWAY

To die. In the rain.

Why does the H⁺-ATPase rotate?



BILL GATES

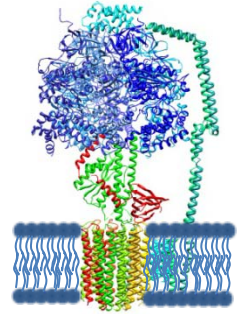
We just have released the new H⁺-ATPase Office 2012. This does not only rotate H⁺-ATPases but also all the programs and data in your computer.



CAPTAIN JAMES T KIRK

To boldly rotate where no H⁺-ATPase has rotated before.

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To make ATP