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Comment concerning the Hypothesis:
Origins of globular structure in proteins by Vladimir Tolstoguzov[*Febs Letters* 444 (1999) 145-148]

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I read with interest the paper but am somewhat frustrated as it seems difficult to repeat a part of the reported data. Indeed, the author seems to have forgotten to describe the material he used. As an example I want to quote the 'so-called' protein *casein*. Its origin is not specified: cow, sheep, goat? or another? Was the sample a commercial one? In that case the origin and the impurities must be specified. Was the

sample a purified one? Purified by which method? Or has the author used the aggregate alpha+beta+kappa caseins, or only one of the latter constituents? All this must be explained. Similar remarks can be made for other proteins mentioned in the paper. A last remark: one-half of the references are to works by the author himself (14 out of 28): this should be avoided and does not seem necessary.