## **Supplementary Material**

## The dynamic orientation of membrane-bound peptides: Bridging simulations and experiments

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Peptide	Simulation number —	Experimental <sup>*</sup> and calculated <sup>® 2</sup> H quadrupolar splittings, kHz			
		residue 11	residue 12	residue 13	residue 14
WLP23	1	52.7	0.7	-38.6	-9.8
	2	12.8	-15.2	-12.5	14.4
	3	43.5	13.7	-39.2	-23.8
	4	54.9	-33.8	-38.2	36.9
	5	-16.4	43.0	-14.6	-33.5
	Global	29.7	1.8	-28.8	-3.3
	Experimental	5.4	2.4	19.2	8.8
KLP23	1	-38.9	-25.0	60.3	-19.6
	2	-10.6	1.0	2.7	-13.1
	3	-0.6	13.0	-14.7	-20.9
	4	9.6	15.0	-25.1	-17.9
	Global	-9.8	1.4	5.2	-17.8
	Experimental	14.6	5.4	5.2	21.8

Table 1. Comparison of experimental and experiment-like <sup>2</sup>H quadrupolar splittings.

\* Taken from reference (33).

<sup>5</sup> Experiment-like splittings calculated using Equation 1. Absolute values were considered for comparison with experimental splittings.



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Figure 1. Secondary structure representation for the peptides WLP23 (A, simulations 1-5, from top to bottom) and KLP23 (B, simulations 1-4, from top to bottom) in DMPC bilayers. Blue colour stands for α-helix, yellow for turn and white for coil structures. The profiles were obtained with the help of standard GROMACS analysis tools, which use the DSSP algorithm (58).



Figure 2. Best fit of theoretical quadrupolar splitting waves (Equation 2) to experimental values for WALP23 in DMPC (11). Black line:  $\tau = 6^{\circ}$ ,  $\rho = 158^{\circ}$ , s.d.= 0.0°, error = 0.9 kHz and  $\varepsilon_{\parallel} = 58.2^{\circ}$ . Red line:  $\tau = 20^{\circ}$ ,  $\rho = 158^{\circ}$ , s.d.= 97°, error = 0.93 kHz and  $\varepsilon_{\parallel} = 58.9^{\circ}$ . Blue line:  $\tau = 30^{\circ}$ ,  $\rho = 158^{\circ}$ , s.d. = 111°, error = 0.96 kHz and  $\varepsilon_{\parallel} = 59.8^{\circ}$ .