

**Table S1** The spin-spin coupling constants ( ${}^3J_{\text{HN}\alpha}$ ) of SBP-W2DP6V.

Residue	${}^3J_{\text{HN}\alpha}$ (HZ)
Met3	6.76
Thr4	7.09
Thr5	7.61
Val6	6.95
Trp7	7.09
Gly8	6.29
Phe9	6.79
Leu10	7.18
His11	7.69

**Table S2** <sup>1</sup>H chemical shift assignment (in ppm) for SBP-W2DP6V at 298 K and pH 6.1.

Residue	NH	$\alpha$ -CH	$\beta$ -CH	$\gamma$ -CH	$\delta$ -CH	others	$\alpha$ protons <sup>a</sup>	Chemical shift index
Ser1		4.15	3.98, 3.99				$4.50 \pm 0.1$	-1
Asp2	8.80	4.71	2.68, 2.78				$4.76 \pm 0.1$	0
Met3	8.58	4.53	1.99, 2.11	2.53, 2.61		$\epsilon$ -CH3 2.01	$4.52 \pm 0.1$	0
Thr4	8.30	4.29	4.23			$\gamma$ -CH3 1.19	$4.35 \pm 0.1$	0
Thr5	8.07	4.29	4.15			$\gamma$ -CH3 1.08	$4.35 \pm 0.1$	0
Val6	7.98	4.04	2.01			$\gamma$ -CH3 0.84, 0.86	$3.95 \pm 0.1$	0
Trp7	8.22	4.56	3.25, 3.25			2H 7.23, 4H 7.59, 5H 7.15, 6H 7.21, 7H 7.41	$4.70 \pm 0.1$	-1
Gly8	8.21	3.76, 3.86					$3.97 \pm 0.1$	-1
Phe9	7.85	4.54	3.05, 3.12			2,6H 7.22; 3,5H 7.33; 4H 7.25	$4.66 \pm 0.1$	-1
Leu10	7.94	4.19	1.33, 1.52	1.48		$\delta$ -CH3 0.82, 0.88	$4.17 \pm 0.1$	0
His11	8.19	4.89	2.89, 3.11			2H 8.42; 4H 7.03	$4.63 \pm 0.1$	1
Pro12		4.39	1.95, 2.27	1.97, 1.98	3.52, 3.57	-NH2 7.05, 7.73	$4.44 \pm 0.1$	0

<sup>a</sup>, standard chemical shift values of  $\alpha$ -protons (26)

**Table S3** NMR structural statistics

Experimental restraints	Number
Sequential backbone NOEs (i, i+1)	17
Sequential non backbone NOEs (i, i+1)	40
Inter-residue NOEs (i, i+2-4)	30
Average energy	299 kcal/mol
NOE constraints	31 Kcal/mol
Rmsd from backbone (3-11)	0.26±0.11 Å
Nonhydrogen heavy atoms (residues3-11)	0.99±0.19 Å
Rachandran statistics from PROCHECK-NMR	
Most favored regions, %	66.0
Additional allowed regions, %	31.1
Generously allowed regions, %	0
Disallowed regions, %	2.9

## Figure legend

**Fig.S1** Binding of SBP-W2DP6V to the GroEL apical domain. **A)** Titration of fluoresceinated peptides with the apical domain monitored by fluorescence polarization.  $f_B$  is the fraction of the apical domain-bound peptide. The average values and the derived errors from two measurements were shown, along with the fitting curve. Circles, SBP-P6VW2D; triangles, SBP-P6V; squares, SBP. **B)** One-dimensional proton NMR spectra of SBP-W2DP6V in the absence (2 mM, bottom panel) and presence of the MBP-apical domain (50  $\mu$ M, top panel). The buffer was 50 mM potassium phosphate pH 6.1.

**Fig.S2** Effects of the peptide binding on the  $^1\text{H}$ - $^{15}\text{N}$  HSQC spectrum of the GroEL apical domain. Shown here is a selected region of the overlaid  $^1\text{H}$ - $^{15}\text{N}$  HSQC spectra of the apical domain in isolation (black, 0.28mM) and with the peptide (red) (protein 0.28mM, peptide 0.56mM).

**Fig.S3** Circular dichroism spectrum of SBP-W2DP6V (150  $\mu$ M) in 10 mM sodium phosphate (pH6.1) and 10 mM NaCl at 25  $^\circ\text{C}$ . Shown here is the average of three measurements.

**Fig.S4** 2D NOESY spectra of SBP-W2DP6V (2 mM) in presence of tetradecameric GroEL (1.4  $\mu$ M).

**Fig.S5** Model of SBP-W2DP6V bound to the GroEL apical domain.

Fig.S1

A)

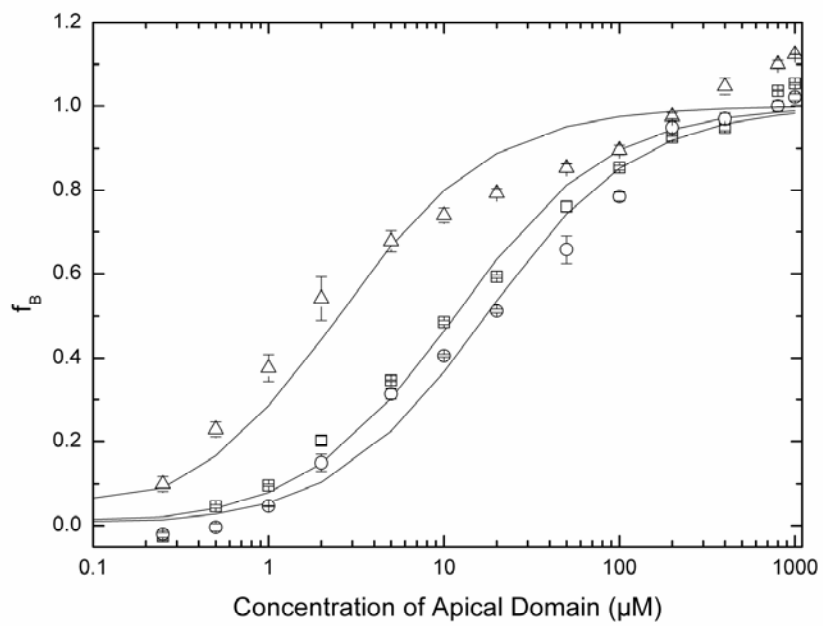


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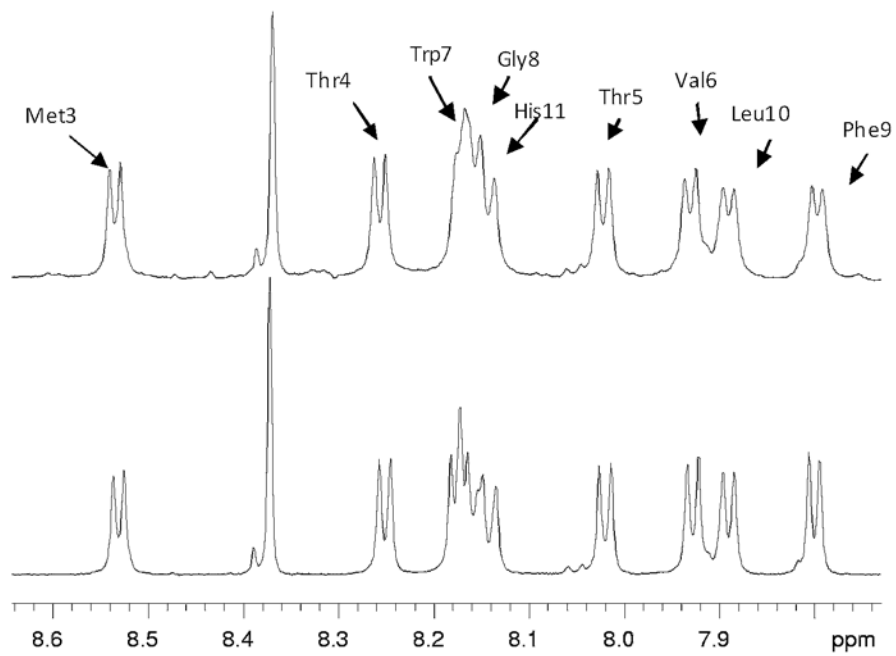


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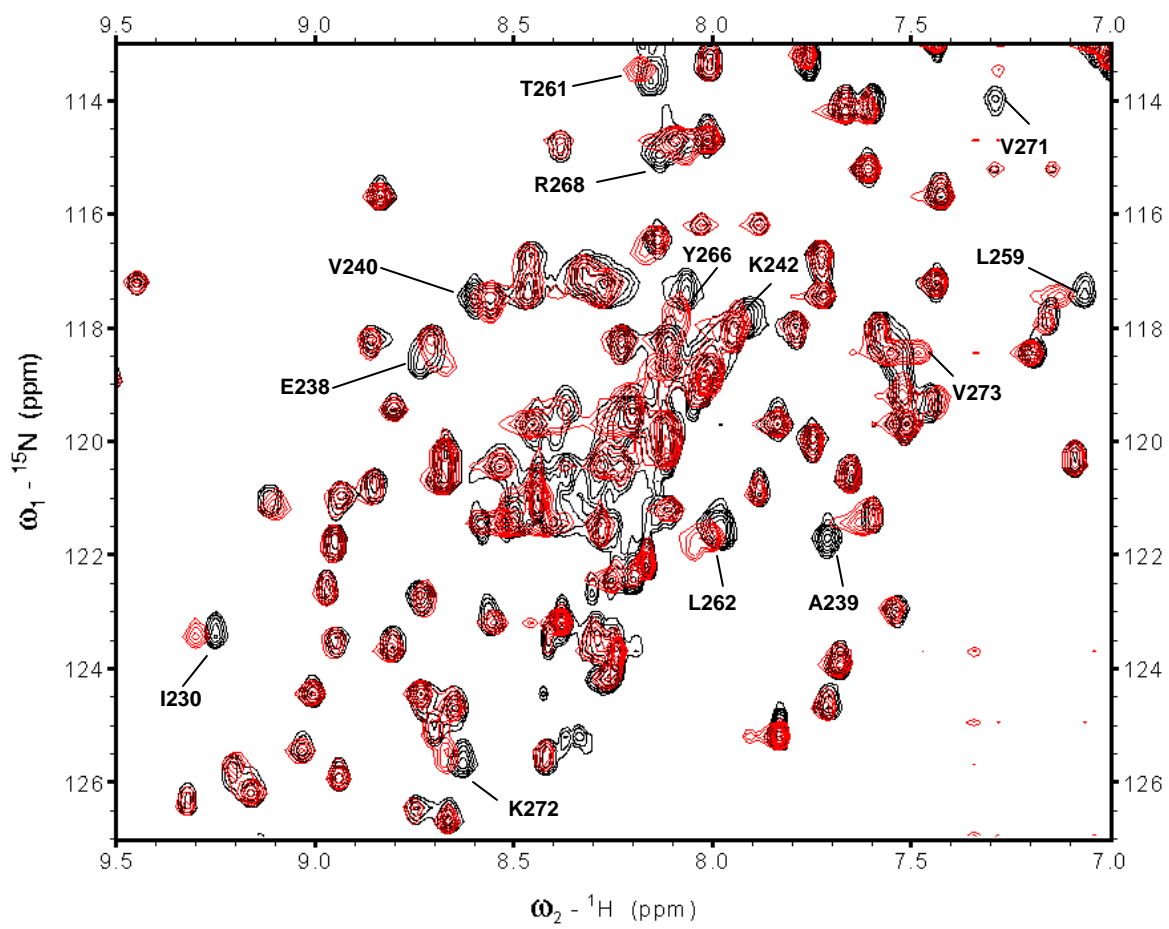


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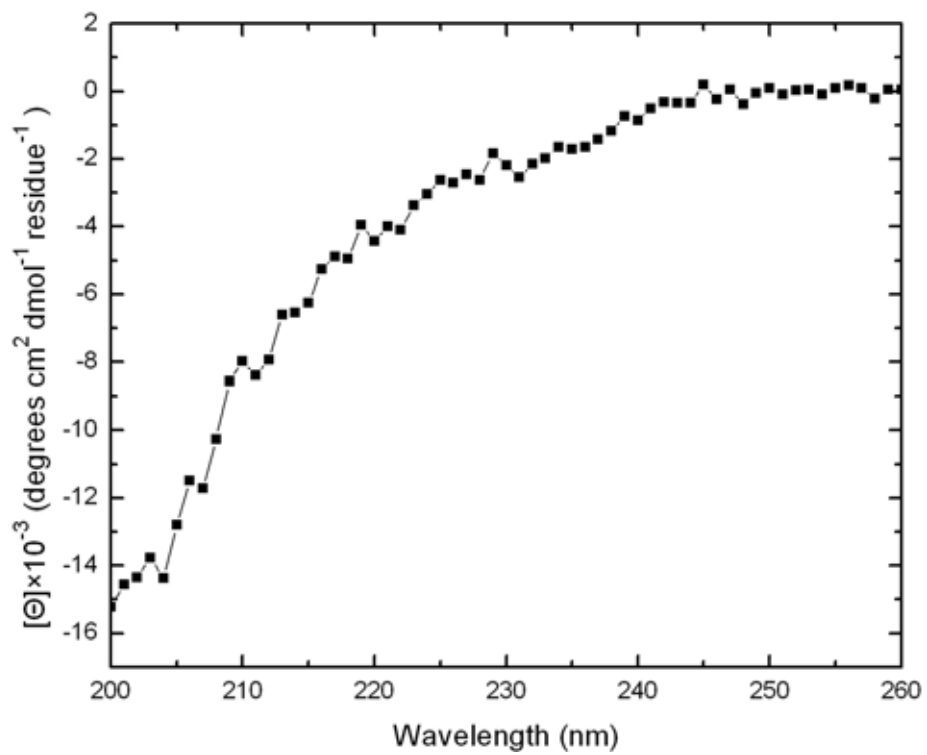




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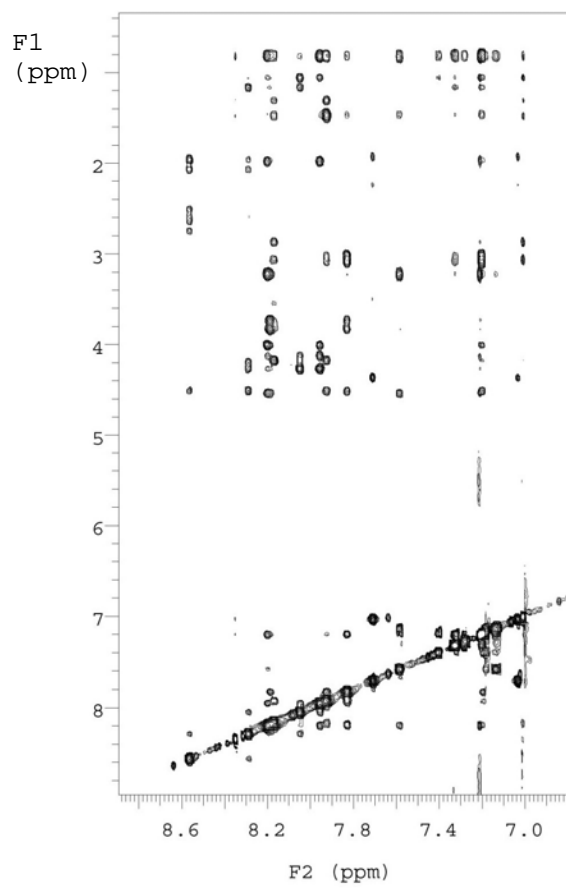


Fig.S5

