

SUPPLEMENTARY DATA for

The Trp-cage: Optimizing the Stability of a Globular Miniprotein

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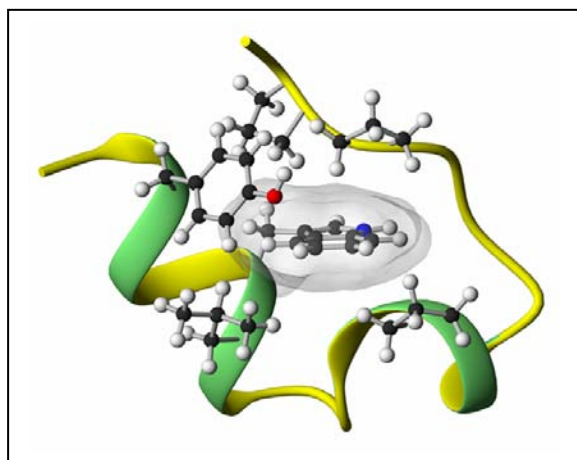


Fig. 1. The Trp-cage fold showing the secondary structure features and the buried Trp sidechain as well as the residues that shield the Trp indole ring from solvent exposure.

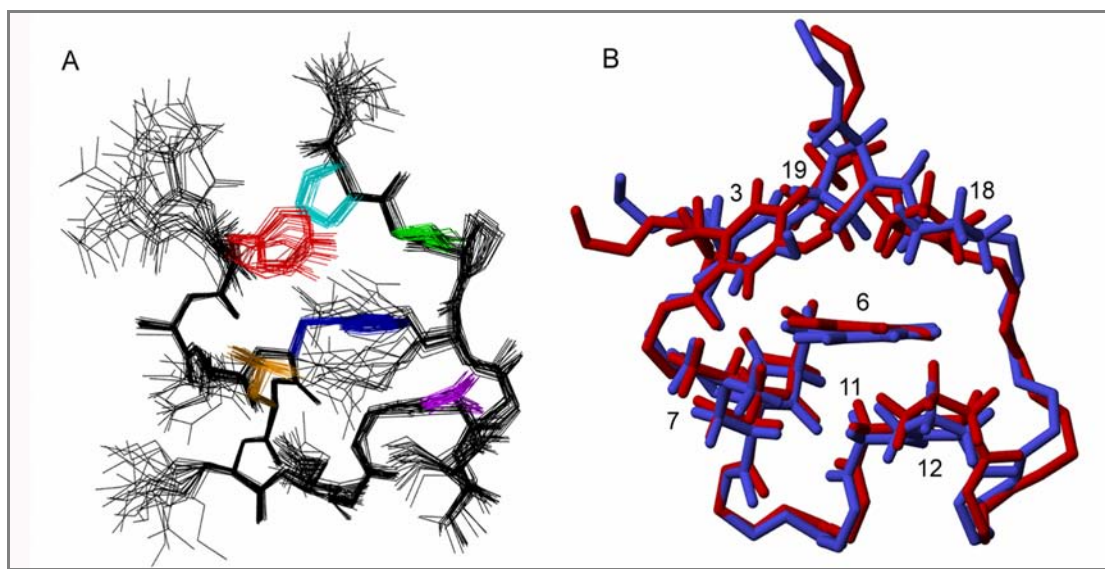


Fig. 4. Trp-cage NMR structure ensembles: (a) The TC10b structure ensemble (28 structures): heavy atoms are displayed for all residue sidechains and the backbone, the hydrophobic cluster residues are shown in color -- Tyr³ (red), Trp⁶ (blue), Leu⁷ (yellow), Pro¹² (magenta), Pro¹⁸ (green), and Pro¹⁹ (cyan). (b) An overlay of one member each of the TC10b (blue) and TC5b (red) structure ensembles. All atoms are displayed for Tyr³, Trp⁶, Leu⁷, Pro¹², Pro¹⁸, and Pro¹⁹ with only N, CA, C' shown for the remaining residues.

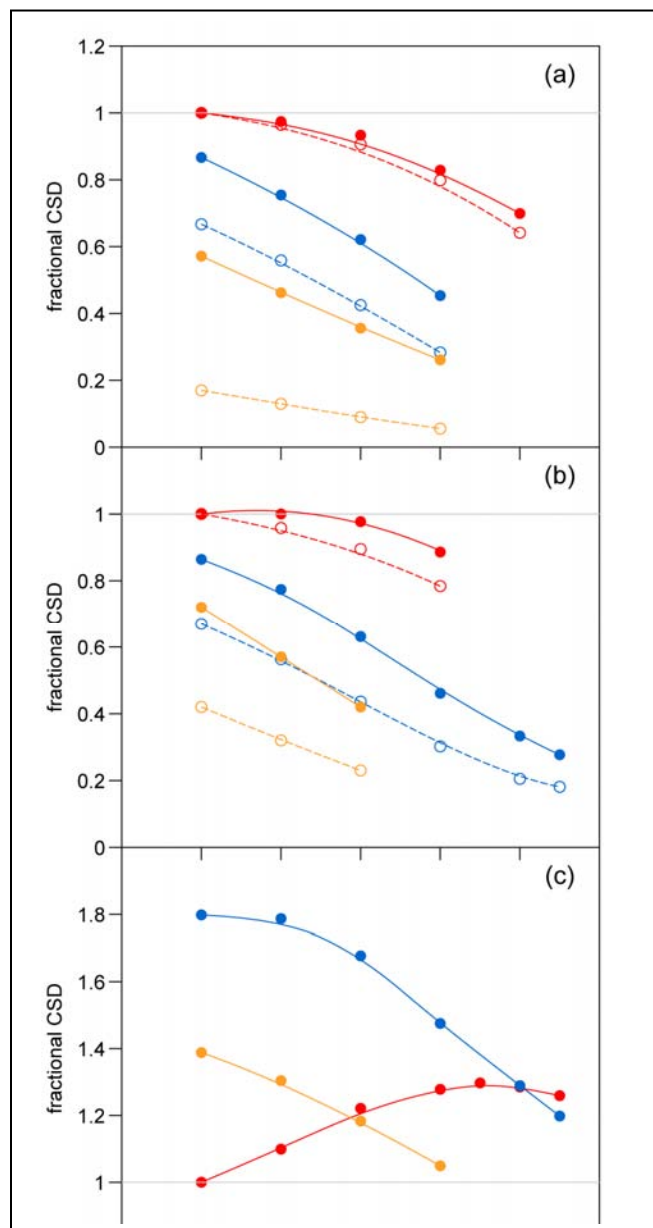


Fig. 6. Differential melting effects upon destabilization of the Trp-cage: fractional CSDs versus T ($^{\circ}\text{C}$) for TC10b (red) and its S14A- (blue) and P19A-mutants (orange) -- panel (a) plots the “cage” (dashed lines) and “helix” (solid line) measures of folding, panel (b) plots the G11 α 2 (dashed lines) and G11 α 3 (solid line) CSDs, panel (c) shows the P12 δ 3 CSDs, TC10b at 7 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ is the calibration standard for CSD = 1.0 in all panels. The P12 δ 3 CSDs (upfield) for the less stable systems are larger than those observed for TC10b. In the case of the P19A mutant, the only cage measure available for panel (a) are the P18 α and β 3 CSDs.

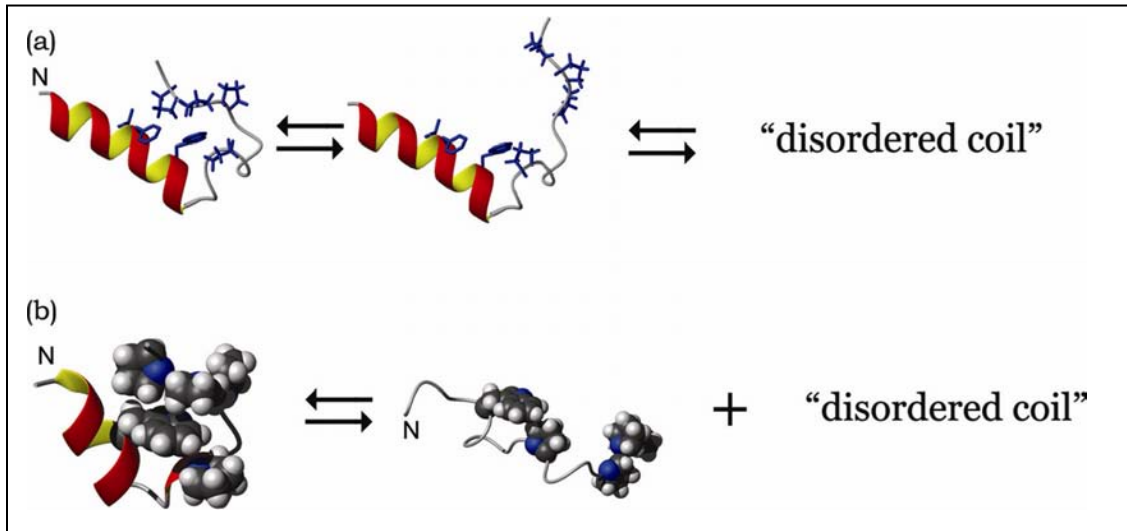


Fig. 7. Unfolding (melting) scenarios for Trp-cages with different degrees of intrinsic helix stability: (a) Trp-cage formation as Pro^{17,18,19} docking onto a stable helix, (b) Trp-cage melting producing an unfolded ensemble retaining a measurable population of a residual hydrophobic cluster, a "half-cage" structure.

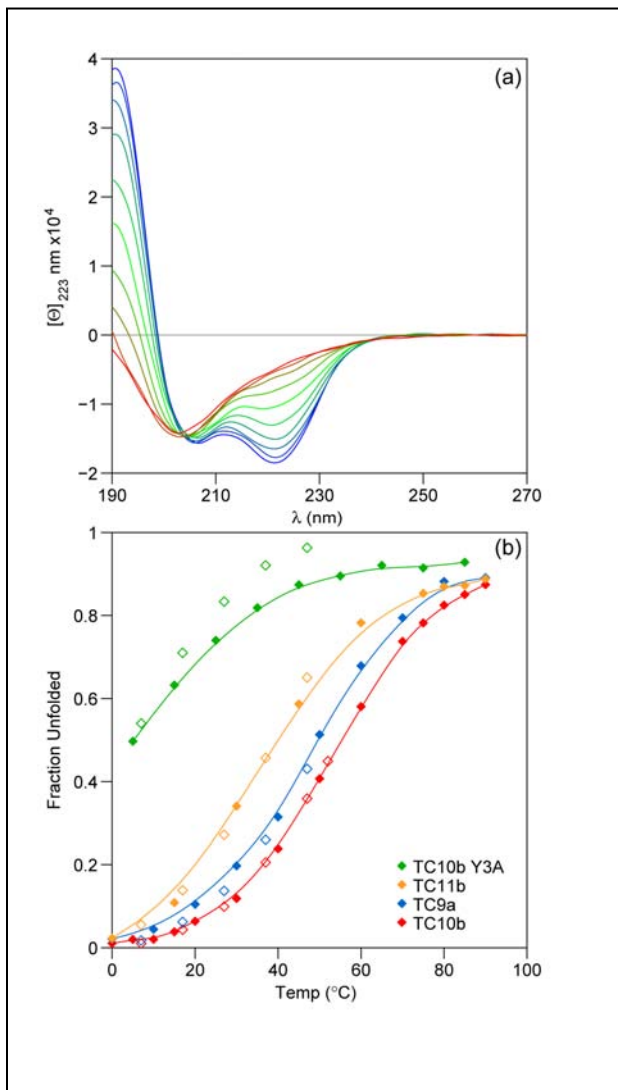


Fig. 8. (a) The temperature dependence of the CD spectrum of TC10b at pH 7, traces are shown for every 10° increment from 0 to 90 °C. (b) Melting curves (χ_U versus T) for TC10b and some of its single site mutants. To illustrate the agreement between chemical shift and CD melts we have superimposed χ_U values from "cage CSDs" as open symbols on the plots. When the cage is substantially destabilized, illustrated here by Y3A-TC10b, some residual helicity remains after the cage structure melts.

SUPPLEMENTARY DATA AND DISCUSSION.

The Trp-cage displays the same chemical shift deviations over a wide range of mutants.

At this point mutations at all positions in the original sequence, except the three glycines, have been examined. Of those retaining the Trp residue, all but five adopt the Trp-cage fold as the predominant conformation in water. There is a remarkable consistency in the chemical shifts (Table S1) observed for these species under conditions that favor folding (pH 6 – 7, 280K). All of the large structuring shifts, due to ring-current effects in the hydrophobic core, that are used to measure the extent of folding in the Trp-cage appear in Table S1. The shifts are given as chemical shift deviations ($CSD = \delta_{obs} - \delta_{rc}$, where δ_{obs} is the observed chemical shift and δ_{rc} is a reference random coil chemical shift; the random coil shifts employed are also listed, with the exception of Gly¹¹ these are the values produced by our current automated CSD computation algorithm (Fesinmeyer *et al.*, 2004). From Table S1, it is apparent that we had nearly achieved the fully folded shift values at the stage of TC5b. Only minor increases in structuring shifts at 280K are observed as the fold stability is increased by mutation or by the addition of TFE. Consistent with this, a recent report from another lab (Naduthambi and Zondlo, 2006) indicates CSDs of -3.58 and +0.51 for G11H α 2 and R16H α , respectively, in a stabilized Trp-cage. If we account for the unfolded fraction of TC5b present (estimated from the NH protection data), the sum of the structuring shifts for the folded state of TC5b is greater than 95% of the sum of maximum CSDs at each position observed in higher melting constructs in Table S1. We view this as evidence that the less stable TC5b structure does not show dramatically enhanced structural fluxionality in the folded state.

As additional evidence for a common structure we document that the destabilization of a Trp-cage fold by adjusting the pH from 7 to 2.5, and thus eliminating or greatly weakening the H-bonded salt bridge between Asp⁹ and Arg¹⁶ results in changes in the chemical shift deviation melts (Figure S1) that are entirely comparable to those observed by mutational destabilization (Figure 2).

Table S1. Chemical shift deviations for representative Trp-cage sequences at 280 K. ^(a)

Sequence			CSDs					19 δ 3, 19 δ 2	
			7 α	11 α 2 ^(b)	12 β 3	16 α	18 α		
pH 6 – 7 buffer ^(c) -									
Random coil reference chemical shift			4.226	4.02	2.27	4.622	4.69	2.29	3.74, 3.59
TC5b	NLYIQWLKD	GGPSSGRPPPS ^(d)	-0.78	-3.29	0.25	0.41	-2.18	-1.95	-0.56, -0.63
	NLY A QWLKD	GGPSSGRPPPS	-0.81	-3.27	0.26	0.44	-2.20	-1.98	-0.59, -0.66
	DLY A QWLKD	GGPSSGRPPPS	-0.82	-3.35	0.26	0.46	-2.25	-2.03	-0.62, -0.66
AcA	AYAQWLKD	GGPSSGRPPPS	-0.83	-3.41	0.27	0.47	-2.30	-2.11	-0.57, -0.67
	N A YAQWLKD	GGPSSGRPPPS	-0.83	-3.35	0.26	0.45	-2.28	-2.06	-0.57, -0.66
	TC10b	DAYAQWLKD	GGPSSGRPPPS	-0.84	-3.37	0.27	0.46	-2.29	-2.07
	DAY U QWLKD	GGPSSGRPPPS	-0.79	-3.31	0.27	0.46	-2.24	-2.01	-0.58, -0.59
	NA U YUQWLKD	GGPSSGRPPPS	-0.78	-3.42	0.27	0.48	-2.33	-2.12	-0.55, -0.63
	NAYA A WLKD	GGPSSGRPPPS ^(e)	-0.80	-3.04	0.24	0.39	-2.11	-1.86	-0.56, -0.61
	NAYAQWL A D	GGPSSGRPPPS	-0.86	-3.35	0.27	0.46	-2.30	-2.08	-0.57, -0.66
	NAYAQWLKD	GGP S TGRPPPS ^(e)	-0.84	-3.21	0.24	0.29	-2.20	-1.76	-0.58, -0.67
	DAYAQWLKD	GGPSSGR A PPS	-0.84	-3.27	0.26	0.48 ^(f)	-2.10	-2.08	-0.51 , -0.62
	DAYAQWLKD	GGPSSGR P APS	-0.84	-3.41	0.26	0.46	-2.60	n. a.	-0.60, -0.75
	DAYAQWLKD	GGPSSGRPP P NH ₂	-0.84	-3.32	0.27	0.44	-2.23	-2.06	-0.58, -0.63
GAAAAA	AYAQWLKD	GGPSSGRPPPS	-0.84	-3.42	0.27	0.47	-2.32	-2.08	-0.61, -0.67
30% TFE ^(g) -									
Random coil reference chemical shift			4.261	4.055	2.27	4.657	4.723	2.29	3.74, 3.59
TC5b	NLYIQWLKD	GGPSSGRPPPS	-0.78	-3.20	0.24	0.44	-2.12	-1.95	-0.59, -0.67
	NLY A QWLKD	GGPSSGRPPPS	-0.75	-3.35	0.26	0.47	-2.20	-2.04	-0.64, -0.72
	D A YAQWLKD	GGPSSGRPPPS	-0.77	-3.46	0.26	0.50	-2.30	-2.11	-0.61, -0.70
AcA	AYAQWLKD	GGPSSGRPPPS	-0.78	-3.46	0.26	0.49	-2.32	-2.12	-0.59, -0.71
	NAYAQWLKD	GGP S TGRPPPS	-0.80	-3.31	0.23	0.35	-2.21	-1.89	-0.56, -0.64
	DAYAQWLKD	GGPSSGR A PPS	-0.79	-3.44	0.27	0.53 ^(f)	-2.16	-2.14	-0.55, -0.68

^(a) The reference shift values employed are shown in the first row. Bold values in the body of the table highlight CSDs that are significantly smaller than the largest values observed; these imply fraction folded values (χ_F) less than 0.98. Unusually large shift are italicized.

^(b) The CSD of the other Gly H α (11H α 3) is significantly smaller, see text: the range is -0.87 to -1.02 for the systems listed in this Table.

^(c) In most cases the pH was between 6.6 and 7 and spectral data was collected at 280K with 5% D₂O included as the lock signal. In purely aqueous buffers, the fold stability decreases as the pH is lowered to or beyond 4.9.

^(d) The data for TC5b is pH* = 6 in 98+ % D₂O. The ring current shifts are slightly larger (by 3 – 9 %) in D₂O versus H₂O.

^(e) Other data for these two analogs also suggest that χ_F for these two analogs is less than 0.96 under the strictly aqueous conditions at the lowest temperature examined.

^(f) An adjustment in the R16 α reference shift (-0.28 ppm), reflecting the Pro to Ala mutation in the following residue, has been included in the CSD calculation.

^(g) These solutions were prepared by adding TFE to aqueous solutions at pH 6.6. The effective pH is estimated to be about 5.8.

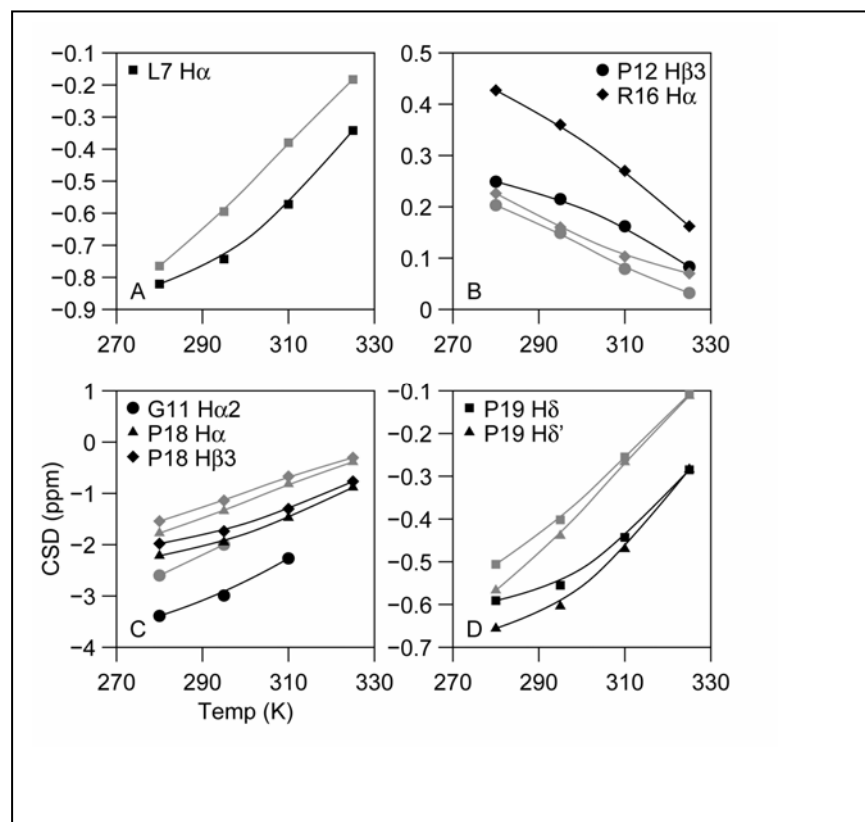


Figure S1. Plots of chemical shift deviations (CSDs, the ^1H sites are labeled on the panels) versus temperature for TC8a at pH 7 (optimum stability, black) and at pH 2.5 (grey lines and symbols). The lines through the data are polynomial fits with no theoretical significance. The pH effect on stability is due almost exclusively to the loss of the salt-bridge upon protonation of Asp⁹. The format is the same as in textual Figure 2.

Structural Characterization of TC10b

The NMR structure ensemble for TC10b was generated from 186 NOE distances, including 28 long-range ($i/i+n$, $n>4$) constraints. The NOE intensities were obtained directly from the NOESY spectra and these were converted to distances by an automated program, DIS (Fesinmeyer, 2005), which also calculates the allowed ranges, from $d - d_+$ to $d + d_+$, using the relation $d = A * i^B$, where d is the distance in Å, i is the NOE intensity, and A , B are constants that were obtained by fitting a power function to a plot of distance *versus* intensity for a set of intensities for which the distances are ‘known’. The following ‘known’ distances for a helical span (residues 3 – 8, in the present case) were used for the calibration: $\text{NN}(i, i+1) = 2.8$, $\alpha\text{N}(i, i) = 2.8$, $\alpha\text{N}(i, i+1) = 3.5$ Å in the helical span, geminal $\beta\beta'$ and Pro $\delta\delta' = 1.9$ Å (*the geminal methylene distance is larger than the actual distance, 1.76 Å, to account for the fact that geminal NOEs are not in the linear growth regime at the mixing times employed*). This contrasts with the procedure employed for TC5b, where the NOEs were grouped by size category and the distances were adjusted further during the refinement procedure rather than relying on an automated program for generating distance constraints. Twenty eight structures (from 40 random starts) met

the acceptance criteria. The structural and convergence statistics for the ensemble appear in Table S2.

The NOE derived constraints employed for the CNS derivation of an NMR ensemble for TC10b appear in Table S3. Table S3 uses CNS nomenclature for prochiral CH₂ and CMe₂ groups; while the resonance assignment lists (*vide infra*) are given using the most recently formalized IUPAC nomenclature (Markley *et al.*, 1998). The dihedral values derived for TC10b are compared to those in the prior TC5b ensemble in Table S4.

Table S2. NMR structure statistics for the TC10b ensemble^a

Distance constraints and r.m.s. deviations in the CNS ensemble:

Type of constraint	Number	r.m.s. deviation ^b
Intraresidue	85	0.0506 ± 0.0036
Sequential	52	0.0303 ± 0.0031
i/ i+n, n = 2-4	21	0.0098 ± 0.0036
i/ i+n, n ≥ 5	28	0.0158 ± 0.0059

Structure statistics^b:

E _{TOTAL} (kcal/mol)	-30.5 ± 4.2
E _{NOE} (kcal/mol)	20.7 ± 1.9
E _{vdw} (kcal/mol)	-74.2 ± 3.3
Bond violations (Å)	0.0037 ± 0.0001
Angle violations (°)	0.478 ± 0.008
Improper torsion violations (°)	0.181 ± 0.012

Convergence within final ensemble, atomic r.m.s. deviations (Å)^c:

Pairwise over the ensemble (±s.e.)

Backbone	0.41 ± 0.14
Heavy atom	1.02 ± 0.17

^a. All statistics are over the 28 accepted structures of 40 structures.

^b. Values are mean ± standard deviation.

^c. All convergence measures are over residues 3-19.

Footnote – The TC5b structure ensemble (38/50 structures) was generated from 169 constraints (of which 28 were long-range) with similar acceptance criteria (NOE < 0.15 Å). Subsequent studies (to be reported elsewhere) have revealed that as few as 18 long-range constraints, with the addition of 36 medium- and short-range constraints can generate Trp-cage structure ensembles within a 0.63 ± 0.17 Å backbone RMSD of the published TC5b ensemble, which had a 0.39 ± 0.12 Å pairwise backbone RMSD.

Table S3 NOE constraint list for TC10b

!! i,j	d	d-	d+	δ values
assign (residue 1 and name ha) (residue 1 and name hb#)	2.65	0.30	0.26	4.25 2.98
assign (residue 2 and name ha) (residue 2 and name hb#)	3.00	0.50	0.30	4.27 1.52
assign (residue 3 and name ha) (residue 3 and name hb#)	2.53	0.27	0.24	4.03 3.14
assign (residue 3 and name ha) (residue 3 and name hd#)	2.84	0.36	0.71	4.03 7.09
assign (residue 3 and name ha) (residue 3 and name hn)	2.94	0.41	0.33	4.03 8.90
assign (residue 3 and name hb#) (residue 3 and name hd#)	2.51	0.24	0.66	3.13 7.10

assign (residue 3 and name hb#) (residue 3 and name hn)	2.47	0.25	0.23	3.13	8.90
assign (residue 4 and name ha) (residue 4 and name hn)	2.74	0.35	0.28	4.12	8.35
assign (residue 4 and name hb#) (residue 4 and name hn)	2.70	0.23	0.24	1.58	8.34
assign (residue 5 and name ha) (residue 5 and name hb1)	3.19	0.49	0.40	3.90	2.15
assign (residue 5 and name ha) (residue 5 and name hb2)	3.23	0.51	0.41	3.90	2.23
assign (residue 5 and name ha) (residue 5 and name hn)	2.61	0.31	0.26	3.90	8.12
assign (residue 5 and name hb1) (residue 5 and name hn)	2.65	0.32	0.27	2.15	8.13
assign (residue 5 and name hb2) (residue 5 and name hn)	2.64	0.32	0.26	2.24	8.13
assign (residue 6 and name ha) (residue 6 and name hb1)	3.00	0.20	0.20	4.24	3.56
assign (residue 6 and name ha) (residue 6 and name hb2)	2.40	0.40	0.40	4.24	3.14
assign (residue 6 and name ha) (residue 6 and name hd1)	2.98	0.43	0.54	4.23	6.98
assign (residue 6 and name ha) (residue 6 and name hn)	2.94	0.41	0.33	4.24	8.15
assign (residue 6 and name hb1) (residue 6 and name hd1)	3.23	0.51	0.61	3.55	6.97
assign (residue 6 and name hb1) (residue 6 and name he3)	3.07	0.45	0.56	3.55	6.97
assign (residue 6 and name hb1) (residue 6 and name hn)	2.43	0.25	0.23	3.56	8.15
assign (residue 6 and name hb2) (residue 6 and name hd1)	2.83	0.38	0.51	3.14	6.98
assign (residue 6 and name hb2) (residue 6 and name he3)	3.26	0.52	0.62	3.14	6.98
assign (residue 6 and name hb2) (residue 6 and name hn)	2.41	0.25	0.22	3.14	8.15
assign (residue 6 and name hz2) (residue 6 and name he1)	2.66	0.32	0.67	7.19	9.71
assign (residue 7 and name ha) (residue 7 and name hb1)	2.50	0.20	0.25	3.39	1.36
assign (residue 7 and name ha) (residue 7 and name hb2)	3.05	0.10	0.10	3.39	1.90
assign (residue 7 and name ha) (residue 7 and name hd1#)	4.25	0.73	0.62	3.40	0.99
assign (residue 7 and name ha) (residue 7 and name hd2#)	2.86	0.28	0.26	3.39	0.86
assign (residue 7 and name ha) (residue 7 and name hn)	2.88	0.40	0.32	3.38	8.37
assign (residue 7 and name hb1) (residue 7 and name hd1#)	3.56	0.51	0.40	1.34	0.99
assign (residue 7 and name hb1) (residue 7 and name hd2#)	3.41	0.46	0.37	1.35	0.87
assign (residue 7 and name hb1) (residue 7 and name hn)	3.49	0.46	0.46	1.36	8.37
assign (residue 7 and name hb2) (residue 7 and name hd1#)	3.43	0.47	0.37	1.90	0.99
assign (residue 7 and name hb2) (residue 7 and name hd2#)	4.33	0.75	0.65	1.90	0.86
assign (residue 7 and name hb2) (residue 7 and name hn)	2.66	0.33	0.27	1.90	8.37
assign (residue 7 and name hd1#) (residue 7 and name hn)	4.33	0.75	0.64	1.00	8.37
assign (residue 7 and name hd2#) (residue 7 and name hn)	4.74	0.88	0.83	0.87	8.37
assign (residue 7 and name hg) (residue 7 and name hn)	2.68	0.33	0.27	1.63	8.37
assign (residue 8 and name ha) (residue 8 and name hb#)	2.97	0.42	0.54	3.93	1.90
assign (residue 8 and name ha) (residue 8 and name hn)	2.52	0.28	0.24	3.92	8.12
assign (residue 8 and name hb#) (residue 8 and name hn)	2.29	0.21	0.40	1.90	8.11
assign (residue 9 and name ha) (residue 9 and name hb1)	2.51	0.28	0.24	4.51	2.94
assign (residue 9 and name ha) (residue 9 and name hb2)	3.01	0.20	0.20	4.51	2.71
assign (residue 9 and name ha) (residue 9 and name hn)	2.78	0.36	0.29	4.51	8.00
assign (residue 9 and name hb1) (residue 9 and name hn)	3.25	0.48	0.39	2.91	8.00
assign (residue 9 and name hb2) (residue 9 and name hn)	2.50	0.31	0.26	2.72	8.00
assign (residue 10 and name ha#) (residue 10 and name hn)	2.82	0.38	0.50	3.45	7.51
assign (residue 11 and name ha1) (residue 11 and name hn)	2.92	0.38	0.30	3.13	8.51
assign (residue 11 and name ha2) (residue 11 and name hn)	2.53	0.32	0.16	0.64	8.51
assign (residue 12 and name ha) (residue 12 and name hb1)	2.73	0.35	0.28	4.65	2.54
assign (residue 12 and name ha) (residue 12 and name hg1)	3.29	0.52	0.53	4.65	2.18
assign (residue 12 and name hd1) (residue 12 and name hg1)	2.85	0.39	0.31	3.48	2.17
assign (residue 12 and name hd2) (residue 12 and name hb2)	3.85	0.70	0.64	3.84	2.07
assign (residue 12 and name hd2) (residue 12 and name hg2)	2.94	0.51	0.33	3.83	2.17
assign (residue 13 and name ha) (residue 13 and name hb#)	2.69	0.31	0.26	4.49	3.94
assign (residue 13 and name ha) (residue 13 and name hn)	3.35	0.54	0.45	4.49	7.72
assign (residue 13 and name hb#) (residue 13 and name hn)	3.13	0.45	0.36	3.93	7.73
assign (residue 14 and name ha) (residue 14 and name hb1)	2.50	0.20	0.20	4.13	3.85
assign (residue 14 and name ha) (residue 14 and name hb2)	3.00	0.20	0.20	4.13	3.46
assign (residue 14 and name ha) (residue 14 and name hn)	2.90	0.40	0.32	4.13	8.25
assign (residue 14 and name hb1) (residue 14 and name hn)	3.51	0.40	0.40	3.83	8.25
assign (residue 14 and name hb2) (residue 14 and name hn)	2.76	0.36	0.29	3.46	8.25
assign (residue 15 and name ha1) (residue 15 and name hn)	2.95	0.42	0.33	4.29	7.97

assign (residue 15 and name ha2) (residue 15 and name hn)	2.41	0.25	0.22	3.80	7.98
assign (residue 16 and name ha) (residue 16 and name hb#)	2.74	0.35	0.48	5.08	1.81
assign (residue 16 and name hb#) (residue 16 and name hn)	2.96	0.42	0.54	1.81	8.16
assign (residue 16 and name hd#) (residue 16 and name he)	3.15	0.48	0.59	3.22	7.75
assign (residue 16 and name hd#) (residue 16 and name hg#)	3.10	0.46	0.77	3.31	1.81
assign (residue 17 and name ha) (residue 17 and name hb1)	2.52	0.28	0.24	4.77	2.35
assign (residue 17 and name ha) (residue 17 and name hg1)	3.57	0.61	0.52	4.77	2.00
assign (residue 17 and name hd1) (residue 17 and name hb2)	3.70	0.65	0.57	3.86	1.80
assign (residue 17 and name hd2) (residue 17 and name hb2)	3.22	0.50	0.50	3.68	1.80
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assign (residue 18 and name ha) (residue 18 and name hb1)	2.40	0.40	0.40	2.40	0.21
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assign (residue 18 and name hd#) (residue 18 and name hb1)	3.90	0.70	0.62	3.52	0.21
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assign (residue 19 and name ha) (residue 19 and name hb2)	3.30	0.53	0.43	4.34	1.99
assign (residue 19 and name hd1) (residue 19 and name hg1)	2.70	0.44	0.35	3.14	1.79
assign (residue 19 and name hd1) (residue 19 and name hg2)	3.27	0.52	0.42	3.14	1.84
assign (residue 19 and name hd2) (residue 19 and name hg1)	3.38	0.55	0.46	2.94	1.79
assign (residue 19 and name hd2) (residue 19 and name hg2)	3.00	0.54	0.20	2.94	1.84
assign (residue 20 and name ha) (residue 20 and name hb#)	2.60	0.29	0.25	4.16	3.77
assign (residue 20 and name ha) (residue 20 and name hn)	3.02	0.44	0.35	4.16	7.97

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assign (residue 2 and name ha) (residue 3 and name hn)	3.46	0.58	0.48	4.27	8.90
assign (residue 2 and name hb#) (residue 3 and name hn)	3.80	0.60	0.57	1.52	8.90
assign (residue 3 and name ha) (residue 4 and name hn)	3.91	0.72	0.67	4.03	8.35
assign (residue 3 and name hb#) (residue 4 and name hn)	2.76	0.34	0.28	3.14	8.35
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assign (residue 4 and name hb#) (residue 5 and name hn)	3.28	0.42	0.34	1.58	8.12
assign (residue 4 and name hn) (residue 5 and name hn)	2.80	0.30	0.30	8.35	8.13
assign (residue 5 and name hb1) (residue 6 and name hn)	2.92	0.41	0.33	2.15	8.14
assign (residue 5 and name hb2) (residue 6 and name hn)	3.32	0.54	0.44	2.24	8.14
assign (residue 6 and name ha) (residue 7 and name hn)	4.05	0.76	0.74	4.24	8.36
assign (residue 6 and name hb1) (residue 7 and name hn)	2.94	0.41	0.33	3.56	8.37
assign (residue 6 and name he3) (residue 7 and name ha)	3.66	0.64	0.76	3.39	6.98
assign (residue 6 and name he3) (residue 7 and name hd2#)	3.55	0.50	0.64	0.86	6.97
assign (residue 6 and name he3) (residue 7 and name hg)	2.73	0.45	0.48	1.63	6.97
assign (residue 6 and name he3) (residue 7 and name hn)	3.16	0.48	0.59	6.98	8.37
assign (residue 6 and name hn) (residue 7 and name hn)	2.57	0.27	0.23	8.36	8.15
assign (residue 6 and name hz3) (residue 7 and name hd2#)	3.35	0.44	0.60	0.86	7.13
assign (residue 7 and name ha) (residue 8 and name hn)	3.41	0.56	0.46	3.39	8.11
assign (residue 7 and name hb1) (residue 8 and name hn)	3.47	0.58	0.49	1.36	8.11
assign (residue 7 and name hn) (residue 8 and name hn)	2.51	0.21	0.27	8.37	8.12
assign (residue 8 and name ha) (residue 9 and name hn)	3.41	0.56	0.47	3.93	8.00
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assign (residue 9 and name hn) (residue 10 and name hn)	2.96	0.42	0.33	7.51	8.00
assign (residue 10 and name ha#) (residue 11 and name hn)	3.10	0.47	0.57	3.46	8.50
assign (residue 10 and name hn) (residue 11 and name hn)	2.42	0.25	0.23	7.51	8.50
assign (residue 11 and name ha1) (residue 12 and name hd1)	2.41	0.35	0.22	3.48	3.11
assign (residue 11 and name ha1) (residue 12 and name hd2)	2.47	0.27	0.23	3.84	3.11
assign (residue 11 and name hn) (residue 12 and name hd2)	3.90	0.72	0.77	3.83	8.50
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assign (residue 13 and name ha) (residue 14 and name hn)	3.50	0.59	0.50	4.48	8.25
assign (residue 13 and name hn) (residue 14 and name hn)	2.72	0.34	0.28	7.73	8.25
assign (residue 14 and name ha) (residue 15 and name hn)	3.80	0.73	0.68	4.13	7.98
assign (residue 14 and name hn) (residue 15 and name hn)	3.09	0.46	0.37	7.99	8.25
assign (residue 15 and name ha1) (residue 16 and name hn)	3.98	0.74	0.70	4.30	8.16
assign (residue 15 and name ha2) (residue 16 and name hn)	3.79	0.68	0.62	3.80	8.16
assign (residue 15 and name hn) (residue 16 and name hn)	2.83	0.38	0.30	7.99	8.16
assign (residue 16 and name ha) (residue 17 and name hd1)	2.51	0.38	0.24	5.08	3.87
assign (residue 16 and name ha) (residue 17 and name hd2)	3.01	0.44	0.35	5.09	3.68
assign (residue 16 and name hb#) (residue 17 and name hd2)	3.29	0.53	0.63	3.68	1.92
assign (residue 17 and name ha) (residue 18 and name hd#)	2.14	0.14	0.18	4.77	3.51
assign (residue 17 and name hb1) (residue 18 and name hd#)	3.31	0.51	0.41	3.51	2.35
assign (residue 18 and name ha) (residue 19 and name hd1)	2.55	0.29	0.20	3.15	2.40
assign (residue 18 and name ha) (residue 19 and name hd2)	2.84	0.25	0.29	2.93	2.40
assign (residue 18 and name hb2) (residue 19 and name hd2)	3.89	0.72	0.66	2.94	1.30
assign (residue 19 and name ha) (residue 20 and name hn)	2.42	0.25	0.23	4.34	7.97
assign (residue 19 and name hb2) (residue 20 and name hn)	3.91	0.72	0.67	2.00	7.96

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assign (residue 8 and name ha) (residue 10 and name hn)	3.93	0.73	0.68	3.93	7.51
assign (residue 8 and name hn) (residue 10 and name hn)	3.86	0.71	0.75	8.11	7.52
assign (residue 9 and name hn) (residue 11 and name hn)	3.87	0.71	0.65	8.01	8.50
assign (residue 13 and name ha) (residue 15 and name hn)	3.81	0.69	0.62	4.49	7.98

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assign (residue 2 and name ha) (residue 5 and name hb1)	3.63	0.63	0.55	4.27	2.15
assign (residue 2 and name ha) (residue 5 and name hb2)	3.67	0.65	0.56	4.27	2.25
assign (residue 2 and name ha) (residue 5 and name hn)	3.36	0.55	0.45	4.27	8.13
assign (residue 2 and name hb#) (residue 5 and name hn)	4.54	0.82	0.83	1.52	8.12
assign (residue 3 and name ha) (residue 6 and name hb1)	2.56	0.30	0.25	4.03	3.56
assign (residue 3 and name ha) (residue 6 and name he3)	4.00	0.80	0.60		
assign (residue 3 and name ha) (residue 6 and name hn)	3.79	0.68	0.61	4.03	8.15
assign (residue 3 and name he#) (residue 6 and name hz3)	3.11	0.45	0.98	6.83	7.13
assign (residue 4 and name ha) (residue 7 and name hb2)	3.41	0.56	0.47	4.12	1.90
assign (residue 4 and name ha) (residue 7 and name hd1#)	3.62	0.53	0.42	4.12	0.99
assign (residue 6 and name ha) (residue 9 and name hb1)	4.00	0.20	1.00		
assign (residue 6 and name ha) (residue 9 and name hb2)	3.20	0.50	0.40	4.23	2.71
assign (residue 6 and name ha) (residue 9 and name hn)	3.81	0.69	0.62	4.22	8.00

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assign (residue 3 and name hd#) (residue 7 and name hd1#)	4.12	0.66	1.04	0.99	7.10
assign (residue 3 and name he#) (residue 7 and name hd1#)	3.46	0.45	0.86	0.99	6.83
assign (residue 3 and name he#) (residue 7 and name hd2#)	4.11	0.66	1.03	0.86	6.83
assign (residue 7 and name ha) (residue 11 and name hn)	2.74	0.45	0.29	3.39	8.50

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assign (residue 3 and name ha) (residue 19 and name hb1)	4.00	0.50	1.50		
assign (residue 3 and name ha) (residue 19 and name hb2)	4.00	0.50	1.50		
assign (residue 3 and name ha) (residue 19 and name hd2)	3.67	0.64	0.56	4.04	2.93
assign (residue 3 and name ha) (residue 19 and name hg1)	3.39	0.56	0.46	4.04	1.80
assign (residue 3 and name ha) (residue 19 and name hg2)	3.44	0.57	0.48	4.03	1.85
assign (residue 3 and name hd#) (residue 19 and name hd2)	3.29	0.51	0.82	2.93	7.10
assign (residue 3 and name he#) (residue 18 and name hb1)	3.87	0.59	1.12	0.20	6.83
assign (residue 3 and name he#) (residue 18 and name hb2)	3.41	0.54	0.85	1.31	6.83
assign (residue 6 and name hd1) (residue 16 and name hb#)	2.94	0.41	0.73	1.81	6.98
assign (residue 6 and name hd1) (residue 16 and name he)	3.51	0.60	0.70	6.99	7.75
assign (residue 6 and name hd1) (residue 16 and name hg#)	2.52	0.28	0.64	1.65	6.98
assign (residue 6 and name hd1) (residue 18 and name ha)	3.33	0.54	0.64	2.40	6.98

assign (residue 6 and name hd1) (residue 19 and name hd2)	3.58	0.62	0.73	2.93	6.99
assign (residue 6 and name he1) (residue 16 and name hb#)	3.50	0.59	0.90	1.82	9.71
assign (residue 6 and name he1) (residue 16 and name hg#)	3.68	0.65	0.97	1.66	9.71
assign (residue 6 and name he1) (residue 16 and name hn)	3.83	0.70	0.83	8.17	9.71
assign (residue 6 and name he1) (residue 18 and name ha)	3.50	0.59	0.70	2.40	9.71
assign (residue 6 and name hh2) (residue 12 and name ha)	3.51	0.59	0.80	4.64	7.22
assign (residue 6 and name hh2) (residue 12 and name hd1)	2.92	0.41	0.53	3.49	7.22
assign (residue 6 and name hh2) (residue 12 and name hg#)	3.24	0.51	0.81	2.17	7.22
assign (residue 6 and name hz2) (residue 12 and name ha)	2.92	0.51	0.53	4.64	7.18
assign (residue 6 and name hz2) (residue 12 and name hg#)	3.44	0.57	0.87	2.17	7.19
assign (residue 6 and name hz2) (residue 18 and name hd1)	2.76	0.34	0.49	3.51	7.18
assign (residue 6 and name hz2) (residue 18 and name hg1)	3.65	0.64	0.75	1.65	7.18
assign (residue 9 and name hb1) (residue 14 and name hb1)	3.00	0.43	0.34	3.84	2.94
assign (residue 9 and name hb1) (residue 14 and name hb2)	3.57	0.61	0.52	3.47	2.94
assign (residue 9 and name hb2) (residue 14 and name hb1)	4.30	0.40	2.00		
assign (residue 9 and name hb2) (residue 14 and name hb2)	4.30	0.40	2.00		

Table S4. Comparison of dihedral angles (\pm s.d.) between the TC10b (28 structures) and TC5b (24 structures) NMR ensembles.

Residue	ϕ	ψ	χ^1	Residue	ϕ	ψ	χ^1
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TC5b				TC10b			
N1		-48.2(69.5)	-100.3(62.9)	D1		-111.2(93.2)	-117.1(72.3)
L2	-28.0(68.4)	-22.2(19.7)	-87.6 (58.2)	A2	-103.5(61.8)	-0.7 (32.0)	
Y3	-58.2 (3.1)	-35.6 (3.0)	-146.3 (8.4)	Y3	-69.5 (11.7)	-38.3 (2.0)	-152.1 (7.9)
I4	-61.3 (2.5)	-48.1 (2.8)	-52.3 (4.3)	A4	-57.8 (1.1)	-41.5 (1.4)	
Q5	-62.3 (3.3)	-41.6 (5.5)	-109.5(30.4)	Q5	-73.4 (2.9)	-36.1 (2.3)	-149.5 (2.6)
W6	-63.1 (4.1)	-44.6 (2.9)	-180.0 (2.2)	W6	-55.4 (1.5)	-44.6 (1.2)	-171.8 (1.9)
L7	-62.7 (2.1)	-38.2 (3.1)	-74.7 (2.3)	L7	-70.2 (2.2)	-37.6 (2.2)	-68.4 (2.9)
K8	-56.1 (2.3)	-33.6 (4.6)	-124.5(61.0)	K8	-58.0 (1.1)	-32.7 (4.4)	-124.6(31.8)
D9	-72.6 (4.6)	-18.0(10.6)	-125.7(37.9)	D9	-87.4 (8.7)	20.4(22.0)	-73.0 (9.5)
G10	119.5(13.3)	-10.3 (6.2)		G10	83.2(22.4)	21.7 (13.8)	
G11	55.9 (3.3)	-126.3(7.6)		G11	59.0 (3.6)	-119.9(3.4)	
P12	-56.6 (1.9)	-27.1 (3.7)	-20.5 (1.7)	P12	-77.1(14.5)	8.2 (18.1)	14.7 (24.9)
S13	-76.9 (10.1)	-0.5 (18.2)	-31.2 (84.0)	S13	-79.5(10.4)	-34.3(12.2)	-104.4(68.7)
S14	-94.6 (15.8)	-1.8 (7.5)	-55.7 (33.2)	S14	-71.7(12.6)	-28.9(18.7)	-32.1 (24.8)
G15	73.1 (3.8)	-1.7 (28.7)		G15	86.3(12.1)	13.6(15.8)	
R16	-112.3(38.7)	136.3(4.6)	109.6 (68.0)	R16	-96.4(19.5)	134.5 (7.0)	125.5(73.0)
P17	-68.6 (2.8)	161.2 (2.4)	28.6 (1.7)	P17	-63.5(12.0)	129.4 (9.4)	-4.5 (23.8)
P18	-69.2 (2.4)	148.7 (8.0)	26.7 (1.5)	P18	-62.2 (3.4)	135.9 (5.2)	19.7 (2.3)
P19	-79.1 (3.0)	97.2 (73.5)	31.5 (1.7)	P19	-81.8 (1.6)	112.2(20.6)	30.8 (0.8)
S20	-119.0(82.0)		-102.7(96.0)	S20	-121.3(26.3)		-79.9 (76.2)

Incorporating other NMR data into TC10b structural models

Method details –

The NMR ensemble of TC10b, which was calculated without any H-bonding restraints, was sequentially modified by including a distance restraint ($D9C\gamma/R16C\zeta = 3.9 - 5.1 \text{ \AA}$) intended to maintain the ends of the Asp⁹ and Arg¹⁶ sidechains within salt-bridging distance and the consensus H-bonds (6H_N-2O', 6H_E-16O', 7H_N-3O', 8H_N-4O') from the initial TC10b ensemble were restrained with H_N-O' distances corresponding to those observed over the entire NMR ensemble. This produced a more converged ensemble (residue 3-19 backbone RMSD = $0.41 \pm 0.15 \text{ \AA}$) with a decrease in the E_{NOE} parameter (11.6 versus 20.7 kcal/mol), and remained structurally consistent with the ensemble generated without H-bond restraints as reflected in the inter-ensemble residue 3-19 backbone rmsd ($0.43 \pm 0.15 \text{ \AA}$). A control MD annealing run applying the original NOE constraints to the same folded structure ensemble did not improve convergence and resulted in a smaller decrease in the E_{NOE} parameter compared to runs with added non-NOE constraints.

The effects of adding, serially in alternative modes, additional H-bond restraints (16H_E-14O γ , 9H_N-5O' versus 9H_N-6O', 11H_N-6O' versus 11H_N-7O', and 14H γ -9O' versus 14H γ -10O' versus 14H γ -11O'), and then narrowing the restraint for α -helical H_N/O' H-bonds to $2.0 + 0.2 \text{ \AA}$ was examined by additional CNS annealing and Powell minimization protocols. Most sets of additional H-bond restraints did not increase the E_{NOE} term or the violations of the 49 medium- and long-range NOE constraints that define the Trp-cage motif. The only pattern that could be eliminated based on a significantly less good fit to the NOE-derived constraints, higher E_{TOT} measures and/or inability to fit expected H-bonding distances were models incorporating the 14H γ -10O' H-bond as a restraint. The discrimination between alternative models increased when the more restrictive H_N/O' distances were employed. The CNS runs with varying added restraints indicated that a 9H_N-5O' was superior to a 9H_N-6O' H-bond but no clear choice could be made between 14H γ -9O' and 14H γ -11O' H-bonding. Defining the H-bond acceptor for the fully exchange protected Gly¹¹-H_N was less problematic. Based on E_{TOT} and E_{NOE} criteria, as well as H-bond geometries, the 11H_N-7O' restraint was better independent of both the 14H γ and 9H_N acceptor specifications. For example with the 14H γ -9O' and 9H_N-5O' bonding pattern, an 11H_N-6O' restraint still produces 11H_N-7O' H-bonds *and* the 11H_N-7O' bonds displayed geometries that were in closer accord with expectations for a strong H-bond. As a result, the Gly¹¹ amide NH is protected in this model with the buried Trp⁶-C=O also sequestered to a significant extent.

The observation that the Trp-cage can accommodate Thr (and allo-Thr) in place of Ser¹⁴ provides additional tests of the validity of the proposed hydrogen bonding networks. The ensembles accepted based on energies and NOE distance RMSDs position S14H γ pointed toward the carbonyl of D9 or G11. In the best two ensembles, the χ^1 dihedral angles are identical (S14H γ -D9O' with Ser¹⁴ $\chi^1 = -16.8^\circ \pm 16.5^\circ$; S14H γ -11O' with $\chi^1 = -15.5^\circ \pm 16.4^\circ$) thus the S14H β protons are positioned uniquely. Given that the Ser to allo-Thr and Ser to Thr mutational effects on stability are small, < 0.7 and circa 2 kJ/mol, respectively (textual Table 3), we can assume that the 14H γ H-bonding is retained in both mutants. As a result, the replacement of S14 with Thr and allo-Thr in these ensembles can be done without changing the χ^1 dihedral angle and provides models for comparison with CSD and NOE data. In the NOESY spectra of S14T, the Thr methyl (H γ 2) displayed only a single non-intraresidue NOE, a very large peak with the shift coincident C β H₂ of D9; this was much diminished in the allo-Thr analog (in which the diastereotopic shift difference for D9-C β H₂ is restored). The (S14T)-TC10b ensembles based on structures generated with 9H_N-5O'/11H_N-7O'/14H γ -9O' and 9H_N-5O'/11H_N-6O'/14H γ -11O' H-bond restraints displayed the

shortest $14\text{H}\gamma 2/9\text{C}_\beta\text{H}_2$ distances and rationalized the changes observed in the chemical shifts of $9\text{C}_\beta\text{H}_2$. The allo-Thr analog displayed a new NOE between $\text{H}\gamma 2$ and $\text{W6H}\delta 1$ which is fully consistent with the location of this methyl implied by the low energy TC10b structure generated with $9\text{H}_\text{N}-5\text{O}'/11\text{H}_\text{N}-7\text{O}'/14\text{H}\gamma-9\text{O}'$ or $9\text{H}_\text{N}-5\text{O}'/11\text{H}_\text{N}-6\text{O}'/14\text{H}\gamma-11\text{O}'$ H-bond restraints. Distinguishing between a $14\text{H}\gamma-9\text{O}'$ and $14\text{H}\gamma-11\text{O}'$ H-bond is not possible; as this corresponds to nothing more than a change in χ^2 of S14.

Results and Discussion –

The addition of H-bond restraints did not produce significant changes in the ϕ/ψ values from residue 3 – 18; there were small but significant changes in a few χ^1 dihedrals: notable a narrowing of D9 and R16 χ -values reflecting the salt bridge and Ser¹⁴ with $\chi^1 \cong -16^\circ$ reflecting H-bonding interactions. The ensemble generated using $9\text{HN}-5\text{O}'$, $11\text{HN}-7\text{O}'$, $14\text{H}\gamma-9\text{O}'$, and $16\text{H}\epsilon-14\text{O}\gamma$ restraints is viewed as that most consistent with both the NOEs and exchange protection data. Views of a representative structure from this ensemble, illustrating the H-bonding network in the vicinity of the Ser¹⁴ sidechain the D9/R16 salt bridge appear in the left hand panel of Figure S2; the right hand panel is a view of this region of the computer simulated fold of TC5b derived by Simmerling and Roitberg. The Cartesian coordinates for our model appear in Table S5 and can be requested from the authors as a PDB file.

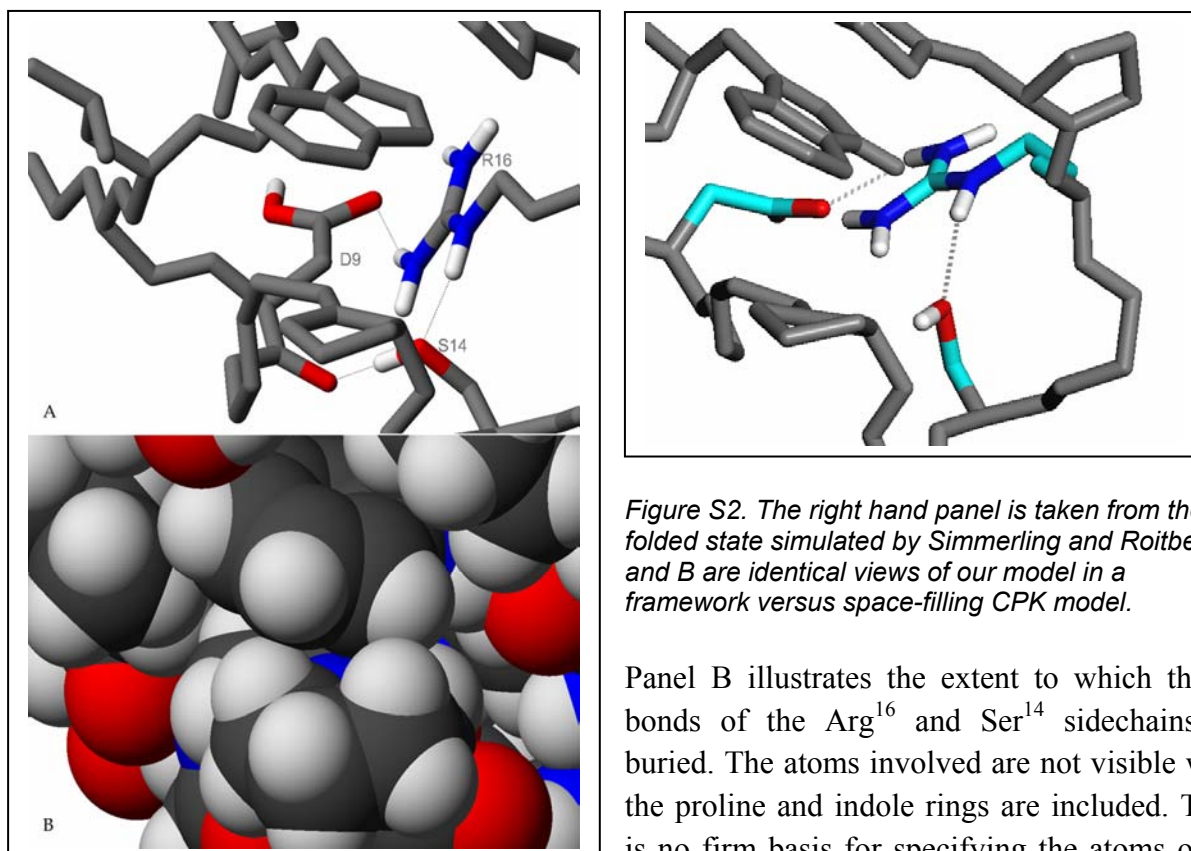


Figure S2. The right hand panel is taken from the folded state simulated by Simmerling and Roitberg. A and B are identical views of our model in a framework versus space-filling CPK model.

Panel B illustrates the extent to which the H-bonds of the Arg¹⁶ and Ser¹⁴ sidechains are buried. The atoms involved are not visible when the proline and indole rings are included. There is no firm basis for specifying the atoms of the

D9 and R16 that are involved in H-bond that stabilizes the salt-bridge. In panel A, D9 is shown with a protonated carboxyl.

The present model represents our best model for the structure of TC10b (and other stable Trp-cage species). Hopefully, collaborators will eventually obtain an X-ray crystal structure for one

of our Trp-cage constructs. Until that time we recommend the use of the model specified by the atomic coordinates in Table S5 as the starting point for computer simulations of Trp-cage unfolding.

Table S5 – Atomic coordinates for a representative low-energy structure of TC10b with added non-NOE salt bridge and hydrogen bond information (D9C γ -R16C ζ , 6H_N-2O', 6H ϵ 1-16O', 7H_N-3O', 8H_N-4O', 9HN-5O', 11HN-7O', 14H γ -9O', and 16H ϵ -14O γ).

ATOM 1	N	ASP	1	-2.119	13.313	-4.420	/	ATOM 2	HT1	ASP	1	-1.247	13.403	-4.923
ATOM 3	HT2	ASP	1	-2.772	12.774	-4.974	/	ATOM 4	HT3	ASP	1	-2.505	14.232	-4.245
ATOM 5	CA	ASP	1	-1.899	12.628	-3.133	/	ATOM 6	HA	ASP	1	-1.167	13.200	-2.559
ATOM 7	CB	ASP	1	-3.193	12.578	-2.313	/	ATOM 8	HB2	ASP	1	-4.000	13.102	-2.828
ATOM 9	HB1	ASP	1	-3.508	11.548	-2.136	/	ATOM 10	CG	ASP	1	-2.889	13.252	-0.991
ATOM 11	OD1	ASP	1	-3.059	14.487	-0.958	/	ATOM 12	OD2	ASP	1	-2.349	12.532	-0.125
ATOM 13	C	ASP	1	-1.339	11.226	-3.333	/	ATOM 14	O	ASP	1	-1.965	10.421	-4.017
ATOM 15	N	ALA	2	-0.171	10.932	-2.753	/	ATOM 16	HN	ALA	2	0.307	11.628	-2.197
ATOM 17	CA	ALA	2	0.429	9.597	-2.816	/	ATOM 18	HA	ALA	2	0.414	9.254	-3.852
ATOM 19	CB	ALA	2	1.892	9.701	-2.371	/	ATOM 20	HB1	ALA	2	2.430	10.386	-3.027
ATOM 21	HB2	ALA	2	1.952	10.066	-1.345	/	ATOM 22	HB3	ALA	2	2.363	8.719	-2.431
ATOM 23	C	ALA	2	-0.342	8.560	-1.975	/	ATOM 24	O	ALA	2	-0.412	7.388	-2.353
ATOM 25	N	TYR	3	-0.978	8.987	-0.872	/	ATOM 26	HN	TYR	3	-0.904	9.963	-0.615
ATOM 27	CA	TYR	3	-1.760	8.108	0.006	/	ATOM 28	HA	TYR	3	-1.096	7.324	0.371
ATOM 29	CB	TYR	3	-2.273	8.907	1.216	/	ATOM 30	HB2	TYR	3	-1.605	9.752	1.395
ATOM 31	HB1	TYR	3	-3.257	9.324	0.997	/	ATOM 32	CG	TYR	3	-2.345	8.084	2.490
ATOM 33	CD1	TYR	3	-1.444	8.349	3.538	/	ATOM 34	HD1	TYR	3	-0.745	9.167	3.453
ATOM 35	CE1	TYR	3	-1.449	7.558	4.700	/	ATOM 36	HE1	TYR	3	-0.757	7.758	5.503
ATOM 37	CZ	TYR	3	-2.365	6.493	4.820	/	ATOM 38	OH	TYR	3	-2.355	5.722	5.941
ATOM 39	HH	TYR	3	-3.007	5.022	5.903	/	ATOM 40	CE2	TYR	3	-3.288	6.237	3.781
ATOM 41	HE2	TYR	3	-3.997	5.430	3.872	/	ATOM 42	CD2	TYR	3	-3.279	7.037	2.623
ATOM 43	HD2	TYR	3	-3.988	6.842	1.833	/	ATOM 44	C	TYR	3	-2.924	7.438	-0.743
ATOM 45	O	TYR	3	-3.235	6.266	-0.519	/	ATOM 46	N	ALA	4	-3.528	8.167	-1.690
ATOM 47	HN	ALA	4	-3.210	9.115	-1.832	/	ATOM 48	CA	ALA	4	-4.574	7.649	-2.560
ATOM 49	HA	ALA	4	-5.394	7.290	-1.935	/	ATOM 50	CB	ALA	4	-5.097	8.789	-3.441
ATOM 51	HB1	ALA	4	-5.422	9.622	-2.817	/	ATOM 52	HB2	ALA	4	-4.314	9.130	-4.120
ATOM 53	HB3	ALA	4	-5.948	8.440	-4.026	/	ATOM 54	C	ALA	4	-4.092	6.471	-3.418
ATOM 55	O	ALA	4	-4.901	5.590	-3.712	/	ATOM 56	N	GLN	5	-2.814	6.443	-3.826
ATOM 57	HN	GLN	5	-2.192	7.184	-3.522	/	ATOM 58	CA	GLN	5	-2.216	5.310	-4.535
ATOM 59	HA	GLN	5	-2.960	4.918	-5.225	/	ATOM 60	CB	GLN	5	-0.990	5.762	-5.347
ATOM 61	HB2	GLN	5	-1.182	6.741	-5.787	/	ATOM 62	HB1	GLN	5	-0.123	5.850	-4.691
ATOM 63	CG	GLN	5	-0.672	4.769	-6.479	/	ATOM 64	HG2	GLN	5	0.239	5.091	-6.983
ATOM 65	HG1	GLN	5	-0.497	3.775	-6.066	/	ATOM 66	CD	GLN	5	-1.798	4.713	-7.513
ATOM 67	OE1	GLN	5	-2.122	5.699	-8.158	/	ATOM 68	NE2	GLN	5	-2.473	3.594	-7.678
ATOM 69	HE21	GLN	5	-3.143	3.613	-8.422	/	ATOM 70	HE22	GLN	5	-2.252	2.709	-7.177
ATOM 71	C	GLN	5	-1.844	4.183	-3.567	/	ATOM 72	O	GLN	5	-2.134	3.024	-3.851
ATOM 73	N	TRP	6	-1.269	4.528	-2.405	/	ATOM 74	HN	TRP	6	-1.046	5.510	-2.265
ATOM 75	CA	TRP	6	-0.961	3.579	-1.329	/	ATOM 76	HA	TRP	6	-0.177	2.907	-1.681
ATOM 77	CB	TRP	6	-0.421	4.340	-0.107	/	ATOM 78	HB2	TRP	6	0.351	5.034	-0.442
ATOM 79	HB1	TRP	6	-1.222	4.935	0.328	/	ATOM 80	CG	TRP	6	0.165	3.495	0.983
ATOM 81	CD1	TRP	6	1.453	3.088	1.051	/	ATOM 82	HD1	TRP	6	2.215	3.325	0.324
ATOM 83	NE1	TRP	6	1.648	2.336	2.193	/	ATOM 84	HE1	TRP	6	2.551	1.927	2.450
ATOM 85	CE2	TRP	6	0.491	2.245	2.937	/	ATOM 86	CZ2	TRP	6	0.192	1.645	4.169
ATOM 87	HZ2	TRP	6	0.960	1.114	4.710	/	ATOM 88	CH2	TRP	6	-1.109	1.761	4.688
ATOM 89	HH2	TRP	6	-1.354	1.309	5.639	/	ATOM 90	CZ3	TRP	6	-2.090	2.469	3.971
ATOM 91	HZ3	TRP	6	-3.089	2.554	4.375	/	ATOM 92	CE3	TRP	6	-1.774	3.076	2.739
ATOM 93	HE3	TRP	6	-2.524	3.637	2.204	/	ATOM 94	CD2	TRP	6	-0.477	2.979	2.189
ATOM 95	C	TRP	6	-2.181	2.706	-1.000	/	ATOM 96	O	TRP	6	-2.092	1.484	-1.080
ATOM 97	N	LEU	7	-3.343	3.318	-0.723	/	ATOM 98	HN	LEU	7	-3.341	4.335	-0.679
ATOM 99	CA	LEU	7	-4.599	2.588	-0.504	/	ATOM 100	HA	LEU	7	-4.435	1.855	0.283
ATOM 101	CB	LEU	7	-5.711	3.549	-0.057	/	ATOM 102	HB2	LEU	7	-5.768	4.372	-0.771
ATOM 103	HB1	LEU	7	-6.664	3.016	-0.085	/	ATOM 104	CG	LEU	7	-5.519	4.113	1.361
ATOM 105	HG	LEU	7	-4.538	4.578	1.436	/	ATOM 106	CD1	LEU	7	-6.582	5.182	1.620
ATOM 107	HD11	LEU	7	-6.490	5.978	0.881	/	ATOM 108	HD12	LEU	7	-7.578	4.742	1.553
ATOM 109	HD13	LEU	7	-6.446	5.609	2.613	/	ATOM 110	CD2	LEU	7	-5.641	3.034	2.445
ATOM 111	HD21	LEU	7	-6.596	2.515	2.352	/	ATOM 112	HD22	LEU	7	-4.832	2.310	2.358
ATOM 113	HD23	LEU	7	-5.583	3.491	3.432	/	ATOM 114	C	LEU	7	-5.062	1.783	-1.725
ATOM 115	O	LEU	7	-5.433	0.621	-1.556	/	ATOM 116	N	LYS	8	-5.033	2.370	-2.936
ATOM 117	HN	LYS	8	-4.681	3.317	-2.988	/	ATOM 118	CA	LYS	8	-5.410	1.686	-4.189
ATOM 119	HA	LYS	8	-6.470	1.437	-4.146	/	ATOM 120	CB	LYS	8	-5.129	2.581	-5.416
ATOM 121	HB2	LYS	8	-4.669	3.518	-5.117	/	ATOM 122	HB1	LYS	8	-4.416	2.079	-6.069
ATOM 123	CG	LYS	8	-6.376	2.861	-6.260	/	ATOM 124	HG2	LYS	8	-6.053	3.242	-7.230
ATOM 125	HG1	LYS	8	-6.893	1.917	-6.440	/	ATOM 126	CD	LYS	8	-7.354	3.856	-5.612
ATOM 127	HD2	LYS	8	-8.351	3.415	-5.642	/	ATOM 128	HD1	LYS	8	-7.100	4.027	-4.564
ATOM 129	CE	LYS	8	-7.402	5.188	-6.374	/	ATOM 130	HE2	LYS	8	-7.387	4.981	-7.448
ATOM 131	HE1	LYS	8	-8.346	5.686	-6.140	/	ATOM 132	NZ	LYS	8	-6.269	6.068	-6.013

ATOM 133	HZ1	LYS	8	-6.230	6.185	-5.001	/	ATOM 134	HZ2	LYS	8	-5.390	5.633	-6.256
ATOM 135	HZ3	LYS	8	-6.340	6.967	-6.470	/	ATOM 136	C	LYS	8	-4.667	0.361	-4.348
ATOM 137	O	LYS	8	-5.265	-0.659	-4.680	/	ATOM 138	N	ASP	9	-3.371	0.378	-4.054
ATOM 139	HN	ASP	9	-2.967	1.285	-3.830	/	ATOM 140	CA	ASP	9	-2.453	-0.735	-4.249
ATOM 141	HA	ASP	9	-2.821	-1.362	-5.063	/	ATOM 142	CB	ASP	9	-1.095	-0.164	-4.675
ATOM 143	HB2	ASP	9	-0.700	0.408	-3.834	/	ATOM 144	HB1	ASP	9	-0.438	-1.018	-4.849
ATOM 145	CG	ASP	9	-1.033	0.731	-5.938	/	ATOM 146	OD1	ASP	9	0.117	0.964	-6.381
ATOM 147	OD2	ASP	9	-2.068	1.219	-6.449	/	ATOM 148	C	ASP	9	-2.375	-1.619	-2.977
ATOM 149	O	ASP	9	-1.293	-2.052	-2.555	/	ATOM 150	N	GLY	10	-3.551	-1.857	-2.368
ATOM 151	HN	GLY	10	-4.358	-1.420	-2.802	/	ATOM 152	CA	GLY	10	-3.804	-2.737	-1.224
ATOM 153	HA2	GLY	10	-4.879	-2.911	-1.161	/	ATOM 154	HA1	GLY	10	-3.334	-3.698	-1.401
ATOM 155	C	GLY	10	-3.355	-2.193	0.138	/	ATOM 156	O	GLY	10	-3.122	-2.970	1.067
ATOM 157	N	GLY	11	-3.227	-0.869	0.270	/	ATOM 158	HN	GLY	11	-3.376	-0.298	-0.555
ATOM 159	CA	GLY	11	-2.737	-0.203	1.473	/	ATOM 160	HA2	GLY	11	-2.689	0.869	1.297
ATOM 161	HA1	GLY	11	-3.437	-0.378	2.287	/	ATOM 162	C	GLY	11	-1.324	-0.680	1.833
ATOM 163	O	GLY	11	-0.408	-0.522	1.025	/	ATOM 164	N	PRO	12	-1.114	-1.294	3.014
ATOM 165	CD	PRO	12	-2.097	-1.577	4.052	/	ATOM 166	HD2	PRO	12	-2.930	-2.161	3.658
ATOM 167	HD1	PRO	12	-2.465	-0.642	4.475	/	ATOM 168	CG	PRO	12	-1.363	-2.380	5.127
ATOM 169	HG2	PRO	12	-1.500	-3.447	4.946	/	ATOM 170	HG1	PRO	12	-1.705	-2.114	6.128
ATOM 171	CB	PRO	12	0.104	-2.007	4.919	/	ATOM 172	HB2	PRO	12	0.776	-2.794	5.264
ATOM 173	HB1	PRO	12	0.316	-1.077	5.447	/	ATOM 174	CA	PRO	12	0.206	-1.768	3.409
ATOM 175	HA	PRO	12	0.947	-0.990	3.226	/	ATOM 176	C	PRO	12	0.658	-3.027	2.649
ATOM 177	O	PRO	12	1.840	-3.362	2.719	/	ATOM 178	N	SER	13	-0.226	-3.715	1.902
ATOM 179	HN	SER	13	-1.179	-3.375	1.806	/	ATOM 180	CA	SER	13	0.123	-4.976	1.229
ATOM 181	HA	SER	13	0.476	-5.670	1.992	/	ATOM 182	CB	SER	13	-1.100	-5.615	0.565
ATOM 183	HB2	SER	13	-0.875	-6.658	0.338	/	ATOM 184	HB1	SER	13	-1.955	-5.575	1.241
ATOM 185	OG	SER	13	-1.405	-4.951	-0.640	/	ATOM 186	HG	SER	13	-2.155	-5.383	-1.055
ATOM 187	C	SER	13	1.247	-4.833	0.195	/	ATOM 188	O	SER	13	2.009	-5.779	0.006
ATOM 189	N	SER	14	1.398	-3.656	-0.435	/	ATOM 190	HN	SER	14	0.720	-2.928	-0.249
ATOM 191	CA	SER	14	2.514	-3.382	-1.347	/	ATOM 192	HA	SER	14	2.661	-4.281	-1.947
ATOM 193	CB	SER	14	2.209	-2.258	-2.362	/	ATOM 194	HB2	SER	14	3.128	-1.700	-2.544
ATOM 195	HB1	SER	14	1.929	-2.719	-3.309	/	ATOM 196	OG	SER	14	1.199	-1.319	-2.013
ATOM 197	HG	SER	14	0.297	-1.715	-2.122	/	ATOM 198	C	SER	14	3.864	-3.162	-0.634
ATOM 199	O	SER	14	4.873	-2.994	-1.316	/	ATOM 200	N	GLY	15	3.926	-3.184	0.708
ATOM 201	HN	GLY	15	3.070	-3.335	1.238	/	ATOM 202	CA	GLY	15	5.189	-3.215	1.460
ATOM 203	HA2	GLY	15	4.974	-3.490	2.492	/	ATOM 204	HA1	GLY	15	5.838	-3.984	1.038
ATOM 205	C	GLY	15	5.967	-1.894	1.482	/	ATOM 206	O	GLY	15	7.164	-1.894	1.760
ATOM 207	N	ARG	16	5.296	-0.772	1.193	/	ATOM 208	HN	ARG	16	4.307	-0.885	1.027
ATOM 209	CA	ARG	16	5.866	0.584	1.152	/	ATOM 210	HA	ARG	16	6.949	0.482	1.167
ATOM 211	CB	ARG	16	5.510	1.315	-0.157	/	ATOM 212	HB2	ARG	16	5.537	2.393	0.015
ATOM 213	HB1	ARG	16	6.269	1.078	-0.904	/	ATOM 214	CG	ARG	16	4.142	0.927	-0.729
ATOM 215	HG2	ARG	16	4.207	-0.104	-1.082	/	ATOM 216	HG1	ARG	16	3.371	0.989	0.039
ATOM 217	CD	ARG	16	3.750	1.811	-1.908	/	ATOM 218	HD2	ARG	16	3.367	2.766	-1.549
ATOM 219	HD1	ARG	16	4.629	1.986	-2.531	/	ATOM 220	NE	ARG	16	2.731	1.112	-2.691
ATOM 221	HE	ARG	16	2.227	0.354	-2.233	/	ATOM 222	CZ	ARG	16	2.526	1.201	-3.990
ATOM 223	NH1	ARG	16	2.959	2.188	-4.735	/	ATOM 224	HH11	ARG	16	3.473	2.939	-4.316
ATOM 225	HH12	ARG	16	2.727	2.177	-5.715	/	ATOM 226	NH2	ARG	16	1.855	0.250	-4.560
ATOM 227	HH21	ARG	16	1.463	-0.467	-3.968	/	ATOM 228	HH22	ARG	16	1.369	0.469	-5.445
ATOM 229	C	ARG	16	5.419	1.411	2.368	/	ATOM 230	O	ARG	16	4.230	1.379	2.700
ATOM 231	N	PRO	17	6.328	2.183	3.001	/	ATOM 232	CD	PRO	17	7.762	2.227	2.735
ATOM 233	HD2	PRO	17	7.944	2.799	1.824	/	ATOM 234	HD1	PRO	17	8.190	1.228	2.649
ATOM 235	CG	PRO	17	8.389	2.939	3.929	/	ATOM 236	HG2	PRO	17	9.300	3.469	3.649
ATOM 237	HG1	PRO	17	8.592	2.214	4.719	/	ATOM 238	CB	PRO	17	7.283	3.892	4.372
ATOM 239	HB2	PRO	17	7.335	4.799	3.767	/	ATOM 240	HB1	PRO	17	7.371	4.139	5.431
ATOM 241	CA	PRO	17	5.991	3.117	4.075	/	ATOM 242	HA	PRO	17	5.737	2.523	4.950
ATOM 243	C	PRO	17	4.838	4.071	3.690	/	ATOM 244	O	PRO	17	4.922	4.705	2.635
ATOM 245	N	PRO	18	3.765	4.190	4.500	/	ATOM 246	CD	PRO	18	3.473	3.386	5.676
ATOM 247	HD2	PRO	18	4.335	3.305	6.337	/	ATOM 248	HD1	PRO	18	3.146	2.395	5.356
ATOM 249	CG	PRO	18	2.335	4.098	6.401	/	ATOM 250	HG2	PRO	18	2.754	4.814	7.109
ATOM 251	HG1	PRO	18	1.682	3.390	6.912	/	ATOM 252	CB	PRO	18	1.598	4.849	5.293
ATOM 253	HB2	PRO	18	1.142	5.764	5.672	/	ATOM 254	HB1	PRO	18	0.829	4.209	4.865
ATOM 255	CA	PRO	18	2.674	5.131	4.239	/	ATOM 256	HA	PRO	18	2.259	4.904	3.260
ATOM 257	C	PRO	18	3.158	6.596	4.298	/	ATOM 258	O	PRO	18	3.839	6.967	5.255
ATOM 259	N	PRO	19	2.822	7.439	3.301	/	ATOM 260	CD	PRO	19	2.097	7.083	2.087
ATOM 261	HD2	PRO	19	1.094	6.723	2.320	/	ATOM 262	HD1	PRO	19	2.656	6.320	1.542
ATOM 263	CG	PRO	19	2.015	8.352	1.240	/	ATOM 264	HG2	PRO	19	1.072	8.864	1.432
ATOM 265	HG1	PRO	19	2.118	8.126	0.179	/	ATOM 266	CB	PRO	19	3.184	9.195	1.754
ATOM 267	HB2	PRO	19	3.028	10.261	1.586	/	ATOM 268	HB1	PRO	19	4.105	8.870	1.268
ATOM 269	CA	PRO	19	3.248	8.837	3.244	/	ATOM 270	HA	PRO	19	4.280	8.932	3.586
ATOM 271	C	PRO	19	2.357	9.737	4.121	/	ATOM 272	O	PRO	19	1.366	10.290	3.643
ATOM 273	N	SER	20	2.714	9.886	5.401	/	ATOM 274	HN	SER	20	3.528	9.395	5.746
ATOM 275	CA	SER	20	2.018	10.714	6.402	/	ATOM 276	HA	SER	20	1.288	11.345	5.899
ATOM 277	CB	SER	20	1.257	9.822	7.387	/	ATOM 278	HB2	SER	20	0.815	10.450	8.164
ATOM 279	HB1	SER	20	0.455	9.310	6.854	/	ATOM 280	OG	SER	20	2.116	8.859	7.974
ATOM 281	HG	SER	20	1.700	8.498	8.759	/	ATOM 282	C	SER	20	2.944	11.687	7.140
ATOM 283	OT1	SER	20	4.173	11.619	6.935	/	ATOM 284	OT2	SER	20	2.373	12.520	7.886

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Detailed assignments for four Trp-cage constructs. All assignment at pH 7, 280K: α - β - and δ -CH₂ shifts shown in bold are stereospecifically assigned.

a) **TC10b**

Residue	HN	H α (α 2, α 3) ^a	H β 2, H β 3 ^a	Others ^b
Asp 1	Exch ^c	4.245	3.138, 2.963	
Ala 2	Exch	4.277	1.516	
Tyr 3	8.899	4.028	3.136 (both)	δ 7.106; ϵ 6.827
Ala 4	8.348	4.120	1.578	
Gln 5	8.126	3.903	2.235, 2.155	γ , γ' 2.454, 2.384; δ NH2 7.915, 7.068
Trp 6	8.150	4.237	3.138, 3.558	ϵ 1 9.720; δ 1 6.987; ϵ 3 6.983; ζ 3 7.133; η 7.223; ζ 2 7.187
Leu 7	8.369	3.387	1.901, 1.363	γ 1.635; δ 2, δ 3 0.866, 0.995
Lys 8	8.117	3.934	1.975, 1.900	γ 2, γ 3 1.513; δ 2, δ 3 1.656; ϵ 2, ϵ 3 2.972
Asp 9	8.004	4.512	2.726, 2.910	
Gly 10	7.513	3.454, 4.172		
Gly 11	8.507	0.647, 3.128		
Pro 12	--	4.649	2.080, 2.541	γ 2, γ 3 2.176; δ 2, δ 3 3.842, 3.480
Ser 13	7.732	4.486	3.925 (both)	
Ser 14	8.256	4.134	3.844, 3.465	
Gly 15	7.984	3.795, 4.296		
Arg 16	8.177	5.086	1.918, 1.810	γ , γ' 1.810, 1.652; δ , δ' 3.312, 3.222; ϵ 7.748
Pro 17	--	4.771	1.785, 2.365	γ 2, γ 3 1.997; δ 2, δ 3 3.678, 3.888
Pro 18	--	2.401	1.312, 0.213	γ 2, γ 3 1.657, 1.718; δ 2, δ 3 3.518
Pro 19	--	4.343	1.997, 2.213	γ 2, γ 3 1.788, 1.853; δ 2, δ 3 2.936, 3.151
Ser 20	7.968	4.162	3.783 (both)	

b) **(P18A)-TC10b**

Asp 1	Exch	4.256	3.146, 2.965	
Ala 2	Exch	4.269	1.514	
Tyr 3	8.917	4.025	3.125 (both)	δ 7.110; ϵ 6.829
Ala 4	8.357	4.101	1.571	
Gln 5	8.108	3.892	2.234, 2.143	γ , γ' 2.450, 2.376; δ NH2 7.908, 7.067
Trp 6	8.166	4.230	3.101, 3.561	ϵ 1 9.754; δ 1 6.945; ϵ 3 6.973; ζ 3 7.112; η 7.224; ζ 2 7.210
Leu 7	8.366	3.389	1.879, 1.354	γ 1.617; δ 2, δ 3 0.856, 0.978
Lys 8	8.084	3.929	1.973, 1.888	γ 2, γ 3 1.497; δ 2, δ 3 1.661; ϵ 2, ϵ 3 2.967
Asp 9	7.997	4.505	2.722, 2.927	
Gly 10	7.511	3.445, 4.158		
Gly 11	8.536	0.613, 3.139		
Pro 12	--	4.649	2.074, 2.554	γ 2, γ 3 2.175; δ 2, δ 3 3.838, 3.498
Ser 13	7.704	4.487	3.920 (both)	
Ser 14	8.269	4.114	3.835, 3.453	
Gly 15	7.994	3.773, 4.290		
Arg 16	8.173	5.081	1.913, 1.794	γ 2, γ 3 1.611; δ , δ' 3.298, 3.213; ϵ 7.760
Pro 17	--	4.508	1.760, 2.259	γ 2, γ 3 1.955; δ 2, δ 3 3.649, 3.841
Ala 18	8.346	1.988	0.303	
Pro 19	--	4.328	1.970, 2.213	γ 2, γ 3 1.798; δ 2, δ 3 2.844, 3.140
Ser 20	7.959	4.159	3.768 (both)	

c) (R16Nva)-TC9b

Asn 1	Exch	4.135	3.136, 3.020	γ NH2 7.937, 7.142
Ala 2	Exch	4.259	1.478	
Tyr 3	8.792	4.100	3.089 (both)	δ 7.080; ϵ 6.817
Ala 4	8.310	4.104	1.518	
Gln 5	8.110	3.939	2.424, 2.173	γ 2, γ 3 2.173; δ NH2 7.959, 6.999
Trp 6	8.151	4.348	3.196, 3.510	ϵ 1 9.663; δ 1 7.150; ϵ 3 7.089; ζ 3 7.207; η 7.258; ζ 2 7.266
Leu 7	8.322	3.443	1.781, 1.425	γ 1.581; δ 2, δ 3 0.852, 0.945
Lys 8	8.014	3.961	1.942, 1.888	γ 2, γ 3 1.472; δ 2, δ 3 1.654; ϵ 2, ϵ 3 2.967
Asp 9	8.064	4.568	2.692, 2.814	
Gly 10	7.576	3.541, 4.152		
Gly 11	8.218	1.591, 3.023		
Pro 12	--	4.541	2.042, 2.473	γ 2, γ 3 2.103; δ 2, δ 3 3.691, 3.207
Ser 13	7.971	4.421	3.921 (both)	
Ser 14	8.153	4.310	3.940, 3.684	
Gly 15	8.015	3.869, 4.208		
Nva 16	8.012	4.745	1.835, 1.734	γ 2, γ 3 1.435; δ 0.970
Pro 17	--	4.622	1.765, 2.200	γ 2, γ 3 2.003; δ 2, δ 3 3.668, 3.865
Pro 18	--	2.909	1.435, 0.790	γ 2, γ 3 1.736, 1.788; δ 2, δ 3 3.494, 3.534
Pro 19	--	4.352	1.946, 2.235	γ 2, γ 3 1.851; δ 2, δ 3 3.006, 3.215
Ser 20	8.023	4.175	3.789 (both)	

d) (S14T)-TC9b

Asn 1	Exch	4.141	3.188, 3.045	γ NH2 7.957, 7.159
Ala 2	Exch	4.261	1.504	
Tyr 3	8.949	4.028	3.089 (both)	δ 7.088; ϵ 6.817
Ala 4	8.360	4.101	1.552	
Gln 5	8.112	3.927	2.188 (both)	γ 2, γ 3 2.441; δ NH2 8.007, 7.037
Trp 6	8.133	4.267	3.169, 3.549	ϵ 1 9.464; δ 1 7.122; ϵ 3 7.071; ζ 3 7.089; η 7.238; ζ 2 7.208
Leu 7	8.408	3.395	1.794, 1.446	γ 1.576; δ 2, δ 3 0.916, 0.963
Lys 8	8.113	3.916	1.956, 1.893	γ 2, γ 3 1.479; δ 2, δ 3 1.667; ϵ 2, ϵ 3 2.969
Asp 9	8.213	4.405	2.707, 2.707	
Gly 10	7.437	3.494, 4.260		
Gly 11	8.512	0.801, 3.156		
Pro 12	--	4.610	2.055, 2.507	γ 2, γ 3 2.181; δ 2, δ 3 3.489, 3.814
Ser 13	7.783	4.300	3.920 (both)	
Thr 14	8.099	4.133	4.239	γ 1.069; OH γ 5.009
Gly 15	7.972	3.876, 4.197		
Arg 16	8.287	4.921	1.890, 1.716	γ , γ' 1.695, 1.644; δ , δ' 3.358, 3.262; ϵ 7.561
Pro 17	--	4.667	1.760, 2.280	γ 2, γ 3 2.000; δ 2, δ 3 3.661, 3.868
Pro 18	--	2.496	0.538, 1.383	γ 2, γ 3 1.701, 1.803; δ 2, δ 3 3.483
Pro 19	--	4.346	1.914, 2.238	γ 2, γ 3 1.845; δ 2, δ 3 2.926, 3.163
Ser 20	8.011	4.171	3.782 (both)	

(a) If the entry is bold, then the atoms are diastereotopically assigned and the first number is the lower IUPAC number (i.e. α 2 or β 2). (b) Entries are diastereotopically assigned if noted by IUPAC numbering. (c) 'Exch' indicates unable to assign due to H_N exchange with solvent.

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