**Table S1**. Statistical analysis of the energy minimized family of conformers and of the mean structure of apoNTKII from *Listeria monocytogenes*.

	REM <sup>a</sup> <rem><sup>a</sup></rem>								
RMS violations per meaningful distance constraint (Å) <sup>b</sup>	(20 structures)	(mean)							
Intraresidue (238)	$0.0168 \pm 0.0025$	0.0183							
Sequential (314)	$0.0212 \pm 0.0019$	0.0186							
Medium range <sup>c</sup> (266)	$0.0975 \pm 0.0021$	0.0082							
Long range (451)	$0.0189 \pm 0.0014$	0.0190							
Total (1269)	$0.0177 \pm 0.0009$	0.0170							
RMS violations per meaningful dihedral angle constraints (deg) <sup>b</sup>									
φ (45)	$0.5865 \pm 0.4500$	0.00							
ψ (37)	0.00	0.00							
χ <sub>1</sub> (44)	$0.3074 \pm 0.2500$	0.00							
Average number of violations per structure	l								
Intraresidue	$6.45 \pm 1.50$	7							
Sequential	$6.30 \pm 1.10$	5							
Medium range <sup>c</sup>	$3.95 \pm 1.24$	4							
Long range	$12.45 \pm 1.68$	11							
Total	$29.15 \pm 2.60$	27							
φ	$1.06 \pm 0.86$	0							
Ψ	0.00	0							
χ1	$0.66 \pm 0.41$	0							
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Average no. of NOE violations larger than 0.3 Å	$0.0 \pm 0.0$	0.00							
Average NOE target function (Å <sup>2</sup> )	$0.43 \pm 0.04$	0.40							
Average angle target function (rad <sup>2</sup> )	$0.05 \pm 0.01$	0.04							
RMSD to the mean structure (Å) (BB) <sup>d</sup> (HA)	$0.42 \pm 0.09$ Å $1.17 \pm 0.07$								
Structural analysis <sup>e</sup>									
% of residues in most favorable regions	78.6	84.1							
% of residues in allowed regions	15.6	11.1							
% of residues in generously allowed regions	4.9	3.2							
% of residues in disallowed regions	1.0	0.0							
H-bond energy (kJ mol <sup>-1</sup> )	$2.86 \pm 0.12$	2.84							
Overall G-factor	$-0.22 \pm 0.02$	-0.22							

<sup>a</sup>REM indicates the energy minimized family of 20 structures, <REM> is the energy minimized average

KEW indicates the energy infinitized family of 20 structures, <KEW> is the energy infinitized average structure of the ensemble.
<sup>b</sup>The number of meaningful constraints for each class is reported in parenthesis.
<sup>c</sup>Medium range distance constraints are those between residues (i,i+2), (i,i+3), (i,i+4) and (i,i+5).
<sup>d</sup>The RMSD to the mean structure is reported considering residues (4-68).
<sup>e</sup>Resulted from the Ramachandran plot analysis. In the PROCHECK statistics, the average hydrogenbond energy within 2.5-4.0 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup> and overall G-factor over -0.5 is expected to be a good-quality structure.

## Table S2. Acquisition parameters for NMR experiments performed on apo and CdNTKII

from Listeria monocytogenes.

Experiments <sup>a</sup>	Dimension of acquired data			Spectral width			n <sup>b</sup>		
	(nucleus)			(ppm)					
	$t_1$	$t_2$	t <sub>3</sub>	$F_1$	$F_2$	F <sub>3</sub>			
[ <sup>1</sup> H- <sup>1</sup> H]-NOESY <sup>c</sup>	1024( <sup>1</sup> H)	2048( <sup>1</sup> H)		15	15		64		
[ <sup>1</sup> H- <sup>1</sup> H]-TOCSY <sup>d</sup>	1024( <sup>1</sup> H)	2048( <sup>1</sup> H)		15	15		64		
<sup>1</sup> H- <sup>15</sup> N-HSQC <sup>c</sup>	512( <sup>15</sup> N)	1024( <sup>1</sup> H)		40	15		8		
$^2J_{\rm NH}$ - $^1\rm H$ - $^{15}\rm N$ -HSQC <sup>e</sup>	256( <sup>15</sup> N)	2048( <sup>1</sup> H)		180	25		64		
<sup>15</sup> N-edited [ <sup>1</sup> H- <sup>1</sup> H]-NOESY <sup>c</sup>	272( <sup>1</sup> H)	40( <sup>15</sup> N)	1024( <sup>1</sup> H)	15	40	15	16		
HNHA <sup>c</sup>	128( <sup>1</sup> H)	40( <sup>15</sup> N)	1024( <sup>1</sup> H)	15	40	15	16		
HNHB <sup>f</sup>	128( <sup>1</sup> H)	40( <sup>15</sup> N)	1024( <sup>1</sup> H)	15	40	15	32		
$^{15}$ N R <sub>1</sub> <sup>g</sup>	256( <sup>15</sup> N)	2048( <sup>1</sup> H)		40	15		8		
$^{15}N R_2^{g}$	256( <sup>15</sup> N)	2048( <sup>1</sup> H)		40	15		8		
<sup>1</sup> H– <sup>15</sup> N NOEs <sup>g</sup>	256( <sup>15</sup> N)	2048( <sup>1</sup> H)		40	15		48		
<sup>a</sup> All 3D and 2D spectra were collected at 298 K, processed using the standard Bruker software (XWINNMR) and analyzed through the XEASY program. <sup>b</sup> Number of acquired scans. <sup>c</sup> Data acquired on the 700 MHz spectrometer. 2D NOESY and 3D NOESY- <sup>15</sup> N HSQC maps were acquired with a mixing time of 100 ms and a recycle time of 1.5 s. <sup>d</sup> 2D TOCSY spectra were recorded on the 600 MHz spectrometer with a spin-lock time of 90 ms and a recycle time of 1.5 s. <sup>e</sup> To identify the tautomeric state of His 62, a <sup>1</sup> H- <sup>15</sup> N HSQC experiment was performed for measuring <sup>2</sup> J <sub>NH</sub> coupling constants within the His ring. In this experiment, the INEPT delay was set to 22 ms <sup>f</sup> Data acquired on a 500 MHz spectrometer equipped with a triple reconance									
cryoprobe. <sup>g</sup> In all experiments the water signal was suppressed with 'water flipback' scheme.									

A recycle delay of 3 s was used for  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  relaxation experiments, while of 5 s for  ${}^{1}H^{-15}N$  NOE experiments. A refocusing delay of 450  $\mu$ s were used in the  $R_2$  measurements.

**Fig. S1.** <sup>15</sup>N relaxation parameters R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub> and heteronuclear NOE versus residue number of apoNTKII (A) and CdNTKII (B) collected at 600 MHz.

Fig. S2. Spectral density functions  $J(\omega_N)$ ,  $J(\omega_H)$  and J(0) versus the residue number as obtained from <sup>15</sup>N relaxation data of apoNTKII (A) and CdNTKII (B).



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Fig. S1





Fig. S2