

Supplemental Information

Structure of the CRISPR Interference Complex CSM

Reveals Key Similarities with Cascade

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Table S1. Distribution of CSM-Bound crRNA Matches to the *S. solfataricus* P1 CRISPR Loci. (related with Figure 1)

CRISPR Locus	A	B	C	D	E	F
Size of locus (nt)	5677	3943	2124	11334	410	6033
RNA matches	3060221	1805666	204202	327035	139	52613
% of total matches	56.1	33.1	3.75	6.0	0.003	0.97
Density (matches per nt)	539	458	96	29	0.3	9

Table S2. Measured Subunit Masses and Post-translational Modifications Identified for the CSM Complex (related with figure 3)

Uniprot ID	Subunit Name	Post-translational modifications	Expected Mw (Da)	Measured Mw (Da) ^a	Measured Mw (Da) ^b
Q97YA8	Sso1424	Loss of first 15 residues; Acetylation Ser-1; Methylation R76,K85,K92,R94,K130,K138	15,948	14,082	14,082
Q97YA2	Sso1430	Methylation K97, K181, K184, K206	23,200	23,226	23,225
Q97YA7	Sso1425	Methylation K95, K241, Phosphorylation T138	27,939	27,799	27,619
Q97YA0	Sso1432	Methylation K47, R51, K69, K70, K82	28,917	28,846	28,799
Q97YA6	Sso1426	Methylation K247, K265, K275, K280/281	31,527	31,040	31,028
Q97YA5	Sso1427	Methylation K65/66, K86, K176, K192, K203/206, K221, K257, K264	30,939	31,086	31,095
Q97YA1	Sso1431	Methylation K9, K93, K130, K215, K231/235, Phosphorylation S227, T232	34,895	37,411	34,914
Q97YA4/3	Sso1428	Methylation K39, K110, K118/119, K204, K217, R222, K256, K263, K298/R299, K312, K443, K687/693, K712, K720, K722, K749, R761/K762, K804, K812/R814	94,757	95,005	97,567

CSM purified with 10×His-tag attached to the subunit Sso1431^a and Sso1428^b

Table S3. Synthetic Labelled Di-peptides for Quantification (related with figure 3)

Labelled Di-peptides	labelled residues	Reference subunit	Target subunit
¹ GSVDLNYLRVGGGQEVGDNVIR ²²	R9;R22	Sso1428	Sso1432
¹ GSVDLNYLRISDLSSILNK ¹⁹	R9;K19	Sso1428	Sso1431
¹ GSVDLNYLRLLYSILDLR ¹⁹	R9;R19	Sso1428	Sso1430
¹ GSVDLNYLRYLWEAENK ¹⁷	R9;R17	Sso1428	Sso1430
¹ GSVDLNYLRFDSLPISYSLNTR ²³	R9;R23	Sso1428	Sso1426
¹ GSVDLNYLRSLVESYTK ¹⁷	R9;K17	Sso1428	Sso1425
¹ GSVDLNYLRIFNPDPNR ¹⁷	R9;R17	Sso1428	Sso1427
N-acetyl-sSQDLLDIATRGSVDLNYLR ¹⁹	R10;R19	Sso1428	Sso1424

Table S4. List of Hits (within ±10% error) Searching for Mass Measured for the Intact CSM Complex (427,789Da) (related with Table 1)

Sso 1424	Sso 1430	Sso 1425	Sso 1432	Sso 1426	Sso 1427	Sso 1431	Sso 1428	crRNA	Expected mass (Da)	Error (%)
3	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	426,374	-0.3%
4	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	440,458	+3.0%
3	1	2	1	4	1	1	1	1	454,173	+6.2%
3	1	1	1	5	1	1	1	1	457,414	+6.9%
4	1	2	1	4	1	1	1	1	468,257	+9.5%

Table S5. Experimentally Determined Masses of CSM Complex and Subcomplexes^a (related with figure 3)

CSM complexes	Expected Mass (Da)	Mass	Experimental Mass (Da)	Error (%)
Intact: (Sso1424) ₃ crRNA Sso1430 Sso1425 Sso1432 (Sso1426) ₄ Sso1427 Sso1431 Sso1428	426,374		427,789 ^a	0.3
– Sso1424	412,458		413,752	0.3
– Sso1428	328,742		329,828	0.3
– Sso1426	395,502		396,778	0.3
– (Sso1424) ₂ Sso1425	370,575		371,437	0.2
– (Sso1424) ₂ Sso1425 Sso1432	341,775		342,358	0.2
– (Sso1424) ₃ Sso1425 Sso1432	327,691		328,396	0.2
– (Sso1424) ₃ Sso1425	356,491		357,318	0.2
– (Sso1424) ₃ Sso1425 Sso1426	325,451		326,201	0.2
+ Sso1430 Sso1426 Sso1427 Sso1431 Sso1428	217,751		217,862	0.1
+ Sso1430 Sso1427 Sso1431 Sso1428	186,711		186,826	0.1
+ Sso1426 Sso1427 Sso1431 Sso1428	194,525		194,722	0.1
+ Sso1430 Sso1431 Sso1428	155,621		155,784	0.1
+ Sso1427 Sso1431 Sso1428	163,485		162,665	0.1
+ Sso1430 Sso1428	120,726		120,804	0.1
+ (Sso1424) ₂	28,168		28,199	0.1
+ Sso1424 Sso1425	41,883		41,935	0.1
+ Sso1424 Sso1427	45,174		45,230	0.1
+ Sso1426 Sso1426/7	62,130		62,201	0.1
+ Sso1425 Sso1432	56,599		56,669	0.1

^aMass measured for the intact CSM purified by tagging the subunit Sso1428

Table S6. Inter-subunit Contacts Established for CSM *via* Chemical Crosslinking (related with figure 3)

Crosslinks	Charge	m/z	MH ⁺ (monoisotopic)	Sequences	Subunits ^a
1	5	428.61	2139.03	EAHK(\$1)NGVCDVCK	1430(71)-1429(108)
	4	535.51		MFK(\$1)R	
2	3	743.09	2227.25	SLVESYTK(\$1)SLNDSK	1425(72)-1426(16)
	4	557.57		VIK(\$1)R	
3	4	360.96	1440.80	SDLK(\$1)NYR K(\$1)EK	1429(175)-1431(91)
	3	480.94			
4	4	490.80	1960.17	LLLASLK(\$1)DR	1424(92)-1427(53)
	3	652.72		SVSDVK(\$1)R	
5	4	387.99	1548.93	AK(\$1)SVEALK	1425(187)-1432(168)
				K(\$1)ASEK	
6	3	690.70	2070.09	SLVESYTK(\$1)SLNDSK	1425(72)-1432(165)
				K(\$1)SK	
7	3	603.35	1808.05	EDIK(\$1)FKLDK	1428(528)-1429(226)
				DK(\$1)IR	
8	3	550.65	1649.94	SEENSLIK(\$1)R	1429(263)-1428(371)
				TGK(\$1)K	

^aSso1428 and Sso1429 were searched and represented separately.

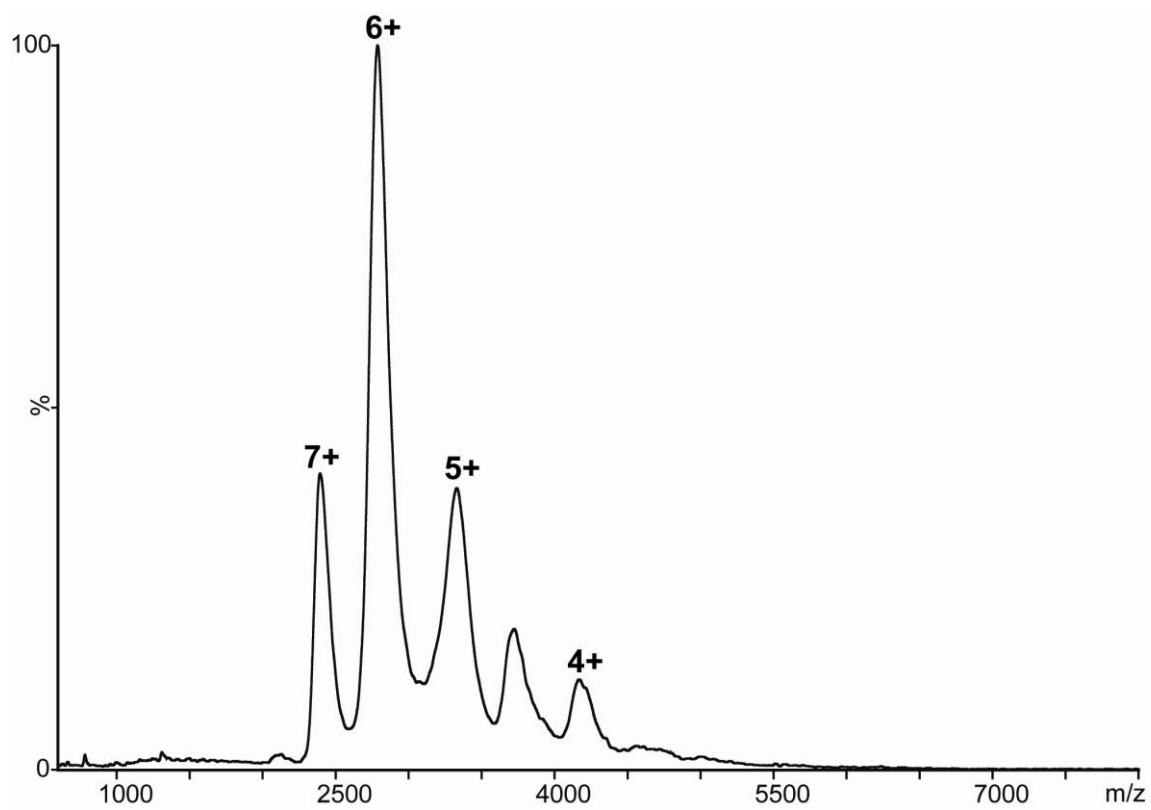


Figure S1 MS spectrum recorded for crRNA molecules extracted from the CSM complex. The spectrum shows a single charge state series with a mass centred around 16,520 Da. The broad charge state peaks are consistent with the sequence heterogeneity of the crRNA. (related with figure 3)

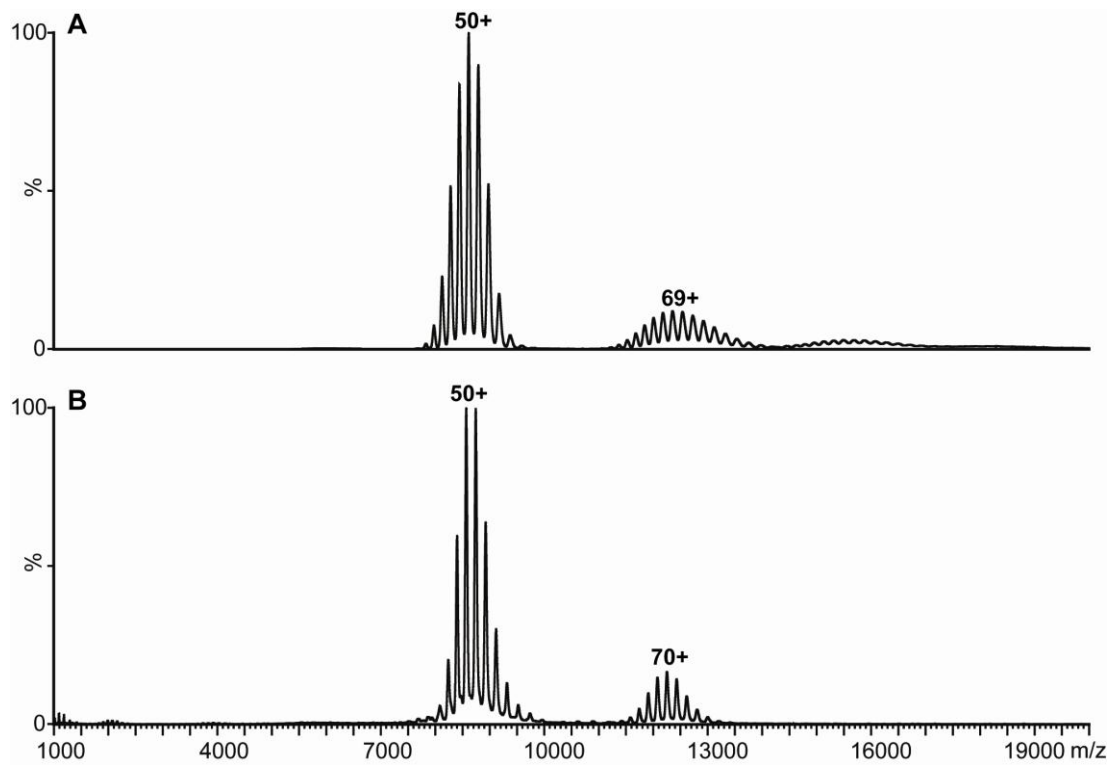


Figure S2 MS spectra recorded for the intact CSM complex purified with a 10×His-tag attached to the subunit Sso1431 (A) or Sso1428 (B). Both spectra show a single well resolved charge state series with a measured mass of 427,611 Da (A) or 427,789 Da (B), suggesting a homologous complex with the subunits Sso1431 and 1428 present in stoichiometric amounts. (related with figure 3)

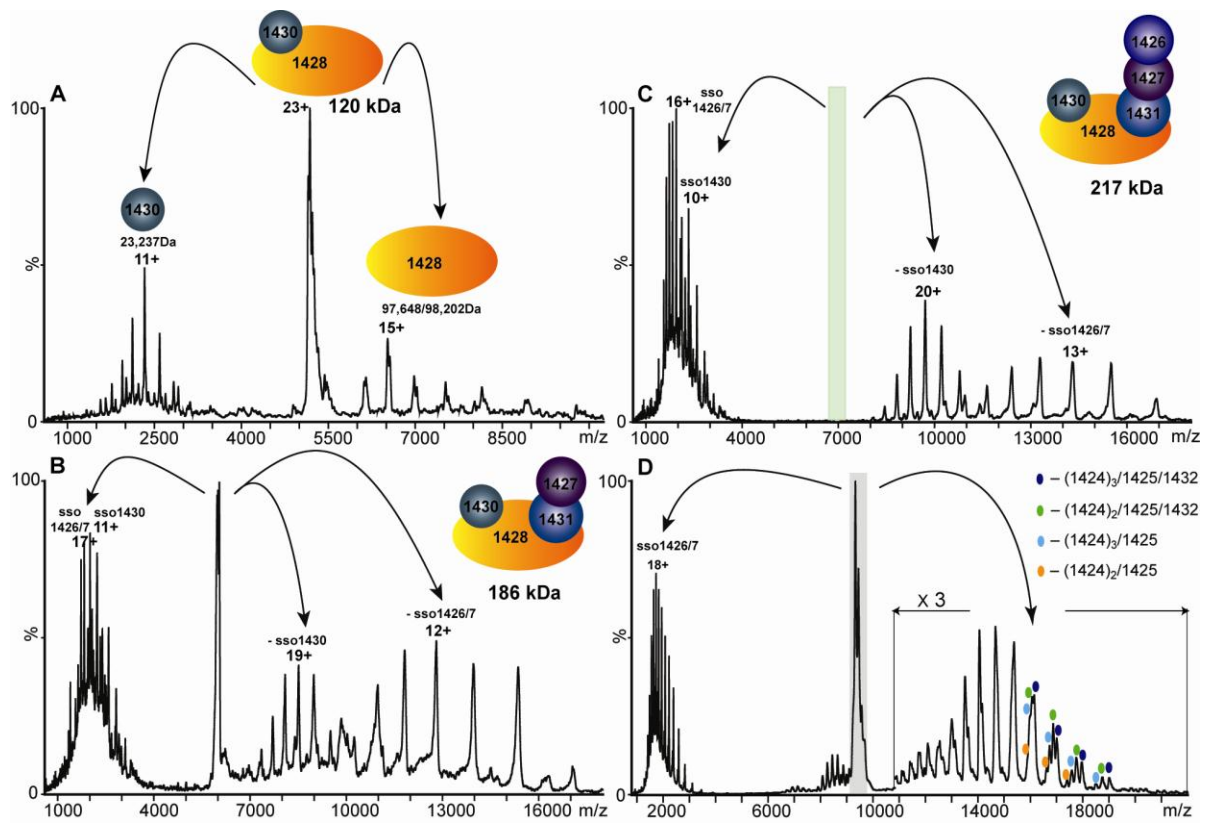


Figure S3 Tandem MS spectra of CSM subcomplexes CID experiments of the 120 kDa (A), 186 kDa (B) and 217 kDa (C) subcomplexes enabled assignment of the “core” of CSM comprising single copies of sso1428, 1430, 1431 and two copies of 1426/7. A mixed selection of parent ions in (D) lead to split CID peaks, and were assigned to sub-complexes having lost different combinations of the subunit sso1424, 1425 and 1432.

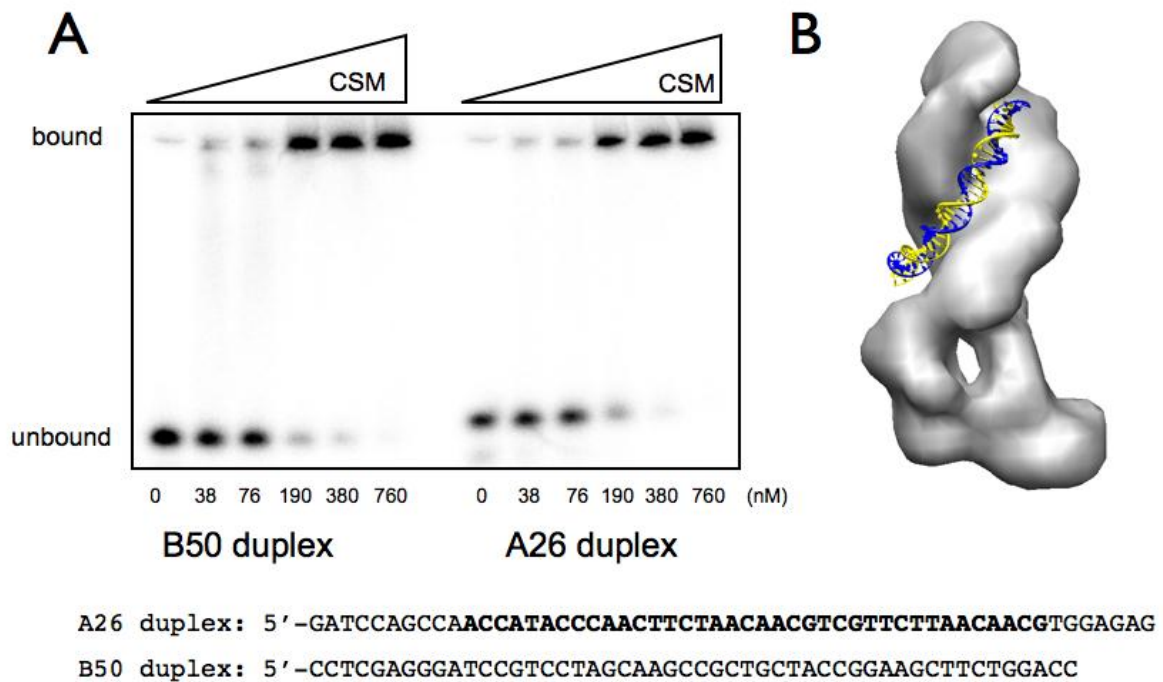


Figure S4. Double-stranded DNA binding by the purified CSM complex

A. The CSM complex was incubated with labelled duplex DNA species (corresponding to the abundant spacer A26 or a control sequence B50) and DNA binding was assessed by gel electrophoretic retardation. The complex shifted both species with high affinity and an apparent dissociation constant around 100 nM. This suggests that CSM possesses a dsDNA binding site, consistent with its proposed function. Sequence A26 corresponds to an abundant crRNA sequence (Locus A spacer 26) identified in the CSM complex by deep sequencing, but it only constitutes < 5% of the total crRNA bound in the complex. This probably explains the failure to observe sequence specific DNA binding by the CSM complex. The A26 spacer sequence is shown in bold text.

B. Model showing a 38 bp DNA duplex in complex with the CSM protein. The DNA was fitted manually to show the potential binding site along the Cas7 backbone that is thought to bind the crRNA. (related with figure 5)