

# Supporting Information

## An ESEEM Analysis of Multi-Histidine Coordination in Model Complexes, Peptides and Amyloid- $\beta$

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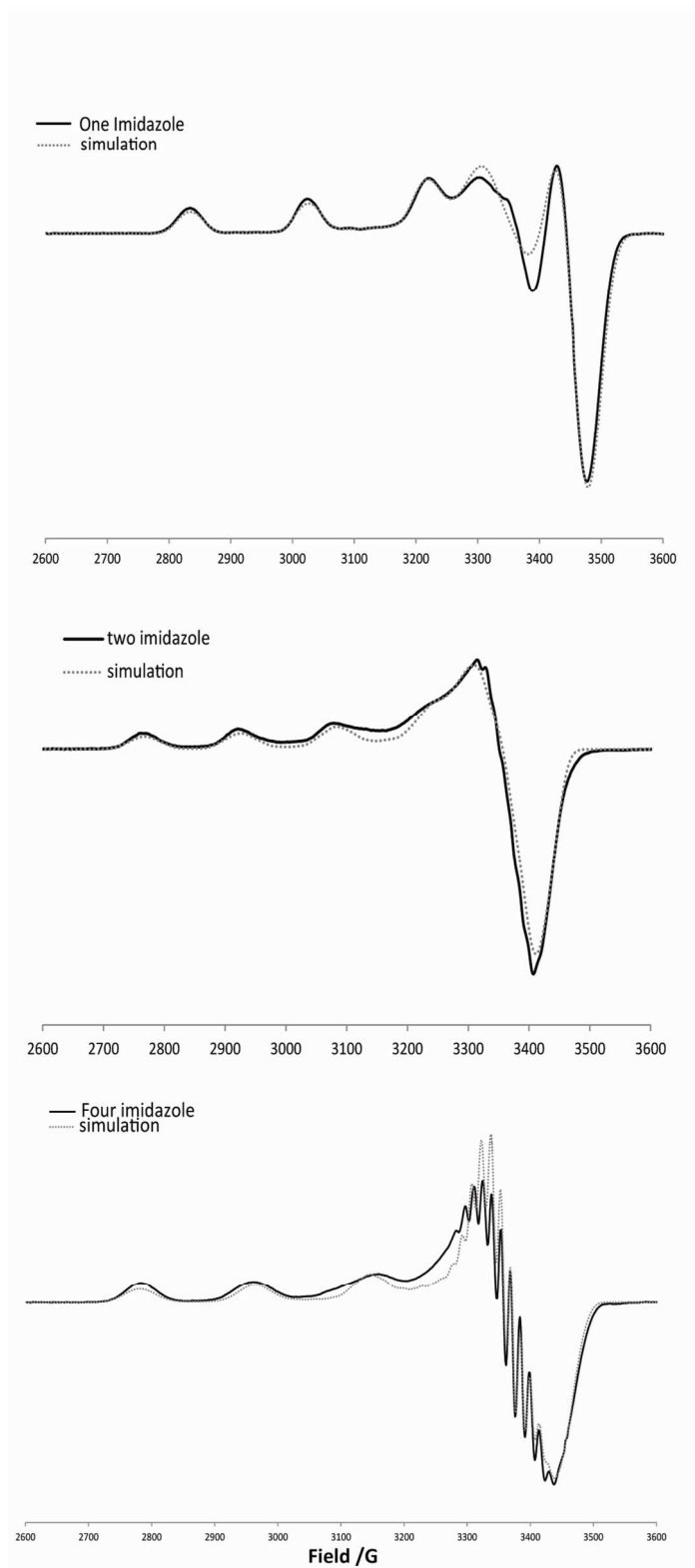
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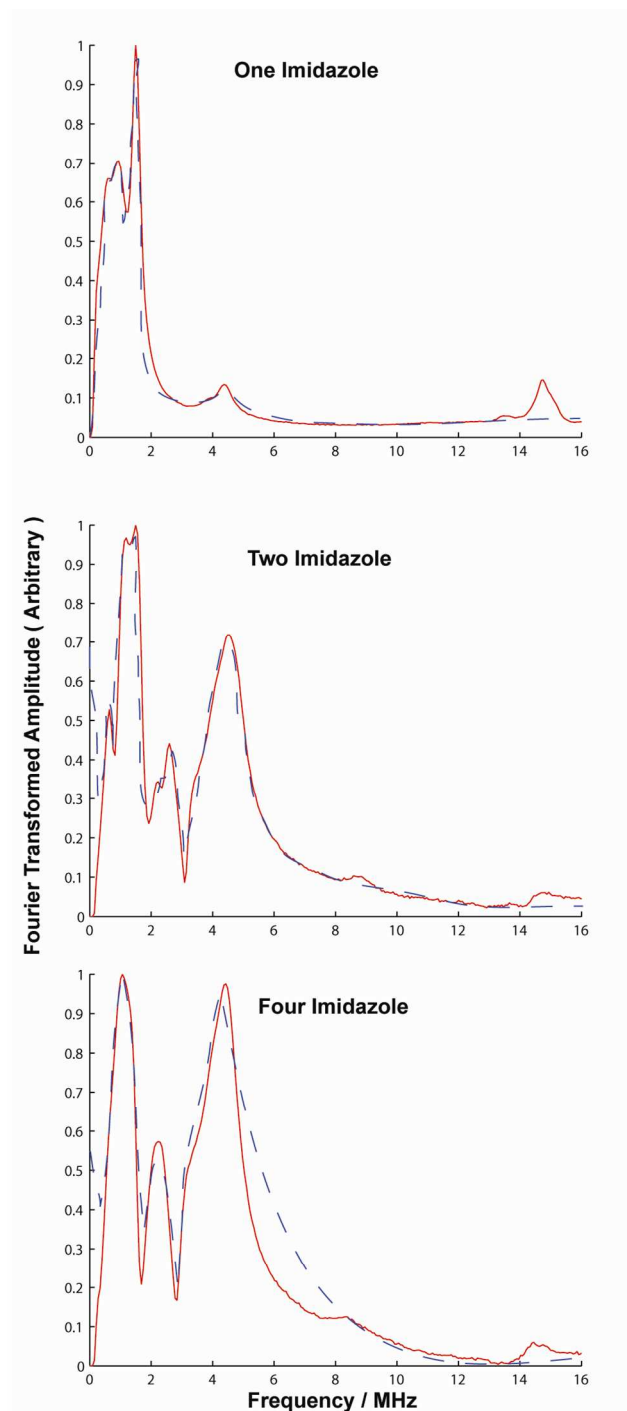
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**Figure S1.** Simulated CW spectra for Cu(II) – imidazole complexes. Experimental spectra are shown in solid lines and simulated ones are shown in dashed.

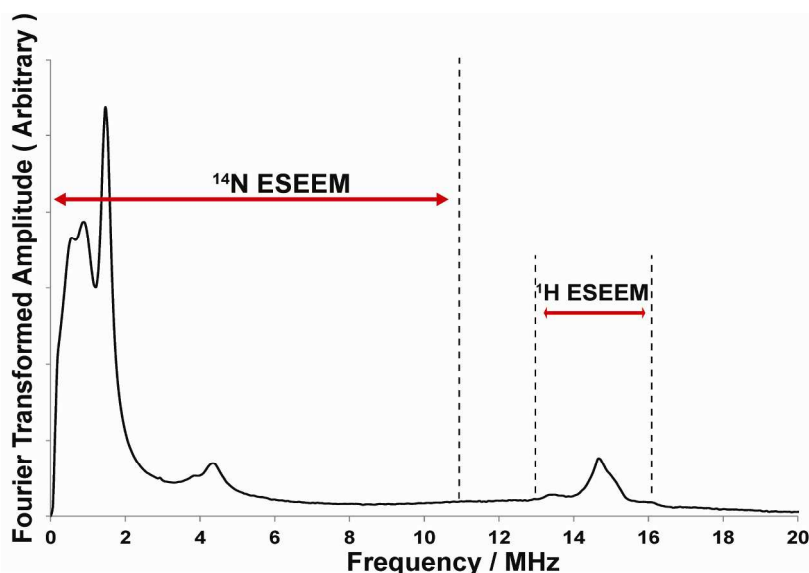


**Figure S2.** Experimentally obtained and simulated three-pulse ESEEM spectra of the model complexes

**Table S1.** Parameters used for ESEEM simulation in model complexes

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>One Imidazole</b>	<b>Two Imidazole</b>	<b>Four Imidazole</b>
$\eta$	0.67±0.02	0.72±0.02	0.67±0.02
$A_{\text{iso}}$	1.70±0.03	1.84±0.04	1.87±0.04
$T_{\text{dip}}$	0.14±0.01	0.14±0.01	0.12±0.01
$\alpha$	75°±5	60°±5	45°±5
$\beta$	90°±5	30°±5	30°±5
$\kappa$	1.59	1.64	2.80

### Error calculation in ESEEM

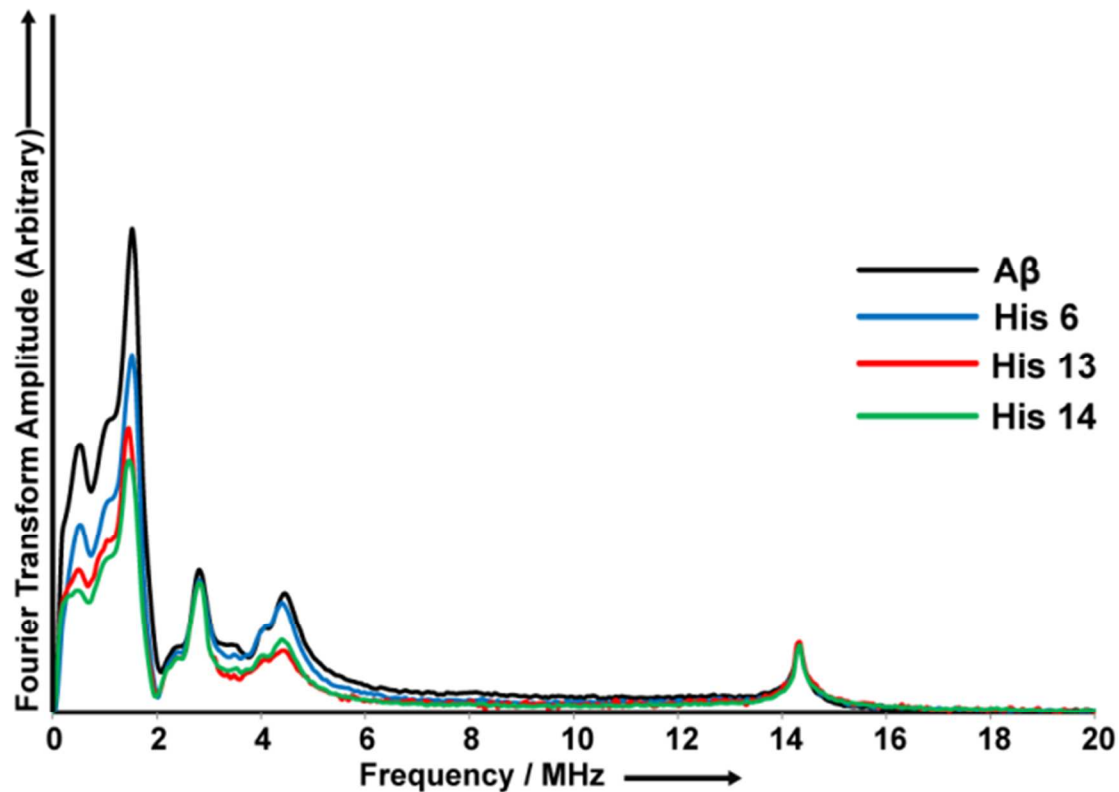


**Figure S3.** Regions used to calculate the integrated intensities of  $^{14}\text{N}$ -ESEEM and  $^1\text{H}$ -ESEEM

1. The frequency region from 20 MHz – 30 MHz was used to calculate the standard deviation of the baseline. (s)
2. Then, the sum of the region from 0 – 11 MHz was calculated for  $^{14}\text{N}$ -ESEEM. The error was calculated using the standard deviation from the step 1. The number of points used for the integration is given as “n”. (For  $^{14}\text{N}$ -ESEEM region  $n = 145$ )

$$\text{Sum}_{^{14}\text{N ESEEM}} \pm \sqrt{n} \times s^2$$

3. Same procedure was used to calculate the integration intensity (for 13 – 16 MHz region) and the error for the  $^1\text{H}$ -ESEEM regions. The number of points (n) used was 50.
4. The propagation of error was used to calculate the final error associated with the  $^{14}\text{N}$ -ESEEM/ $^1\text{H}$ -ESEEM.



**Figure S4.** Three-pulse ESEEM spectra of the nonlabeled and single  $^{15}\text{N}$  labeled  $\text{A}\beta(1 - 16)$  variants mixed with equimolar amounts of  $\text{Cu}(\text{II})$  and  $\text{Zn}(\text{II})$  at 3355 G at pH 8.7. The decrease in intensity below 8 MHz in  $^{15}\text{N}$  labeled  $\text{A}\beta(1 - 16)$  variants gives the contribution of each histidine residue for component I in  $\text{A}\beta(1 - 16)\text{-Cu}(\text{II})$ .

**Table S2** : Relative integrated intensities of ESEEM spectra of the nonlabeled and  $^{15}\text{N}$ - double labeled  $\text{A}\beta(1 - 16)$  variants at pH 8.7 mixed with an equimolar amount of  $\text{Cu}(\text{II})$  at the  $^{14}\text{N}$ -ESEEM region (0 – 11 MHz) and  $^1\text{H}$ -ESEEM region (13 – 16 MHz) and the relative contribution from each histidine residue

Sample	$^{14}\text{N}$ -ESEEM	$^1\text{H}$ -ESEEM	$^{14}\text{N}/^1\text{H}$	% involvement
$\text{A}\beta$	$10767 \pm 7$	$951 \pm 5$	$11.32 \pm 0.1$	
<b>His 6,13</b>	$4270 \pm 7$	$950 \pm 5$	$4.49 \pm 0.1$	$39.6 \pm 1$
<b>His 6,14</b>	$4313 \pm 7$	$950 \pm 5$	$4.54 \pm 0.1$	$40.1 \pm 1$
<b>His 13,14</b>	$2795 \pm 7$	$950 \pm 5$	$2.94 \pm 0.1$	$25.9 \pm 1$

**Table S3** : Relative integrated intensities of ESEEM spectra of the nonlabeled and  $^{15}\text{N}$ - single labeled  $\text{A}\beta(1 - 16)$  variants at pH 8.7 mixed with an equimolar amount of  $\text{Cu}(\text{II})$  at the  $^{14}\text{N}$ -ESEEM region (0 – 11 MHz) and  $^1\text{H}$ -ESEEM region (13 – 16 MHz) and the relative contribution from each histidine residue

Sample	$^{14}\text{N}$ -ESEEM	$^1\text{H}$ -ESEEM	$^{14}\text{N}/^1\text{H}$	% reduction
$\text{A}\beta$	$5847 \pm 4$	$515 \pm 3$	$11.35 \pm 0.07$	
<b>His 6</b>	$4673 \pm 3$	$508 \pm 2$	$9.20 \pm 0.04$	$18.9 \pm 0.7$
<b>His 13</b>	$3329 \pm 5$	$500 \pm 4$	$6.66 \pm 0.05$	$41.3 \pm 0.8$
<b>His 14</b>	$3431 \pm 3$	$466 \pm 2$	$7.36 \pm 0.03$	$35.1 \pm 0.7$

