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Fermentation and Cost-Effective ¹³C/¹⁵N-Labeling of the Non-Ribosomal Peptide Gramicidin S for NMR Structure Analysis

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SUPPLEMENTARY METHODS

Chromatographic purification of GS and determination of the extent of labeling. The identity of the peptide was confirmed by time-of-flight mass spectrometry (MALDI-TOF). MALDI samples were co-crystallized either with α -cyano-4-hydroxy-cinnamic acid or 3,5-dihydroxy-benzoic acid (Sigma-Aldrich) as matrices. Ethanol/water (1/1 ν/ν) or 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid:acetonitrile (TFA:MeCN, 1:2, *vol:vol*) mixtures were used as matrix/analyte co-solvents for the extracts and RP-HPLC-fractions, respectively. Measurements were made in the positive ion reflector mode on Bruker Daltonics (Bremen, Germany) MALDI-TOF instruments Biflex IV and Autoflex III.

Solid-state nuclear magnetic resonance. Solid-state NMR experiments were performed on an Avance II spectrometer from Bruker Biospin (Karlsruhe, Germany), equipped with a wide-bore ultra-shielded 14.1 Tesla magnet (600 MHz ¹H frequency). All experiments were conducted using the ¹³C/¹⁵N-GS reconstituted in multilamellar lipid vesicles of 1,2-di-O-tetradecyl-*sn*-glycero-3-phosphocholine (DM-O-PC, Avanti polar Lipids, Alabaster, USA) at a peptide/lipid ratio of 1/20 (mol/mol). The actual temperature at the sample was maintained at 25°C throughout the experiments.

One-dimensional solid-state ¹³C-NMR spectra were recorded with direct acquisition of 256 scans. The ¹⁵N-NMR spectra were recorded (i) with direct acquisition of 14336 scans, and (ii) using ramped-amplitude (from 38.5 to 30.8 kHz) cross-polarization with a contact time of 400 μs, acquired for 10800 scans. Two-dimensional ¹³C-¹³C chemical shift correlation spectra were acquired using dipolar assisted rotational resonance experiments (1) (DARR at N=1; mixing time of 60 ms), and by experiments with magnetization transfer enhanced by a phase-alternated recoupling irradiation scheme (2) (PARIS at N=0.5; mixing times of 20 ms, 35 ms and 50 ms). All two-dimensional experiments were performed with direct ¹³C excitation, no ¹H-¹³C cross-polarization was applied. During the ¹³C chemical shift evolution period in the indirect dimension, a 60 kHz two-

pulse-phase-modulation (TPPM) ¹H decoupling was used. Irradiation of 10 kHz was applied to ¹H during the mixing period. Typical settings for two-dimensional ¹³C-¹³C spectra were: a spectral width of 15 kHz in both dimensions (128 t_1 transients) with a total acquisition of 720 scans (PARIS with mixing time of 35 ms), and a spectral width of 30 kHz in both dimension (256 t_1 transients) with a total acquisition of 544 scans (DARR with mixing time of 60 ms).

All spectra were acquired using 10 kHz magic angle spinning (MAS) and ¹H decoupling during the acquisition time (TPPM decoupling sequence with effective 30 kHz decoupling for the ¹⁵N spectra, and 60 kHz for the ¹³C spectra, respectively) on a standard triple-resonance probe from Bruker Biospin (Ettlingen, Germany). ¹³C chemical shifts were referenced against 2,2-dimethylsilapentane-5-sulfonic acid (DSS), using adamantane as external referencing standard (assuming the chemical shift of its most deshielded carbon to be 38.4 ppm with respect to TMS; 1.7 ppm was subsequently added to adjust the reference scale to DSS (3).

Dihedral angles prediction. Dihedral angle estimates for the GS backbone were predicted from ${}^{13}C_{\alpha}$ and ${}^{13}C_{\beta}$ chemical shifts using the TALOS+ program (4). The primary structure of GS was entered as a linear sequence [Phe-Pro-Val-Lys-Leu]₂ in the TALOS+ input file (TALOS+ is not designed for cyclic sequences and does not accept non-standard amino acids, hence the native D-Phe in GS was replaced by L-phenylalanine, and ornithine was replaced by lysine, given the side chain similarity. The chemical shifts in the TALOS+ input file were referenced with respect to TSP (0.12 ppm were added to the chemical shift values referenced against DSS (3). The dihedral angles were predicted (i) automatically excluding proteins with an amino acid sequence identical to the GS sequence given in the TALOS+ input file from the TALOS+ database, and (ii) without TALOS+ automated chemical shift offset correction. The predictions are identical for each symmetric pair of amino acid residues in the sequence. The signs of the dihedral angles estimates predicted for L-Phe were changed in order to provide the corresponding estimates for D-Phe.

Table S1. ¹³C solid-state chemical shifts of GS given with respect to TMS (δ_{TMS}) and DSS (δ_{DSS}) and the corresponding characteristic chemical shift regions as provided by the Biological Magnetic Resonance Data Bank (average chemical shift $\overline{\delta}_{DSS}$ and standard deviation SD).

Residue	δ_{TMS} , ppm	δ_{DSS} , ppm	$\overline{\delta_{\text{DSS}}} \pm \text{SD}$, ppm
D-Phe ¹⁾ at posit	ions 1 & 6		
C_{α}	59.9	61.6	58.2 \pm 2.6 (L-Phe C _a)
C_{β}	39.5	41.2	40.0 \pm 2.1 (L-Phe C _{β})
C_{γ}	139.2	140.9	138.6 \pm 2.0 (L-Phe C _{γ})
$C_{\delta}1 \& C_{\delta}2$	132.2	133.9	131.6 \pm 1.2 (L-Phe C _{δ} 1)
$C_{\epsilon}1 \& C_{\epsilon}2$	130.3	132.0	130.7 \pm 1.3 (L-Phe C _{ϵ} 1)
Pro at positions	2&7		
$C_{\alpha}^{(2)}$	63.1	64.8	63.4±1.5
$C_{\beta}^{\ 2)}$	32.0	33.7	31.9±1.2
Val at positions	3&8		
C_{α}	61.0	62.7	62.6±2.9
C_{β}	33.4	35.1	32.7±1.8
$C_{\gamma}1 \& C_{\gamma}2$	21.0	22.7	21.5 \pm 1.4 (Val C _{γ} 1)
Orn ¹⁾ at position	ns 4 & 9		
C_{α}	54.3	56.0	57.0±2.2 (Lys C _α)
C_{β}	31.6	33.3	32.8±1.8 (Lys C_{β})
C_{γ}	26.0	27.7	29.0±1.1 (Lys C _δ)
C_{δ}	41.8	43.5	42.9±0.8 (Lys C_{ϵ})
Leu at positions	5&10		
C_{α}	52.2	53.9	55.7±2.1
C_{β}	42.9	44.6	42.3±1.9
$C_{\gamma}^{(2)}$	27.0	28.7	26.8±1.1
$C_{\delta}1$ & $C_{\delta}2^{2)}$	25.0	26.7	24.7 \pm 1.6 (Leu C _{δ} 1)

¹⁾ No chemical shift statistics is available for D-Phe and Orn; the corresponding statistics for L-Phe and Lys, respectively, are given.

²⁾ Tentative assignment.

Table S2.	Dihedral	angles in	the GS	backbone	predicted b	y TALOS+	program
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Residue	φ, deg	ψ, deg
D-Phe	75	-128
Pro	-65	144
Val	-117	140
Orn	-102	131
Leu	-120	145



FIG S1. Two-dimensional ¹³C-¹³C PARIS spectrum of membrane-bound GS with a mixing time of 35 ms. The spectrum shows resonances corresponding to one-bond intra-residue ¹³C-¹³C correlations. Arrows denote the assigned resonances.

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