

**Table S1. Refinement statistics. Related to Figure 1.**

	NusG-NGN- <i>opsEC</i>	RfaH-NGN- <i>opsEC</i>	RfaH- <i>opsEC</i>
<b>Data Collection and processing</b>			
Microscope	FEI Titan Krios	FEI Titan Krios	FEI Titan Krios
Voltage (kV)	300	300	300
Detector	K2 summit	K2 summit	K2 summit
Electron exposure (e <sup>-</sup> /Å <sup>2</sup> )	69.9	71.0	71.0
Defocus range (μm)	0.8 – 2.5	0.8 – 2.4	0.8 – 2.4
Data Collection mode	Counting	Super-resolution	Super-resolution
Physical pixel size (Å/pixel)	1.07	1.3	1.3
Symmetry imposed	C1	C1	C1
Initial particle images (No.)	514,900	389,200	389,200
Final particle images (No.)	171,900	174,600	107,500
Map resolution (Å) <sup>a</sup>	3.72	3.54	3.70
<b>Refinement</b>			
Map sharpening B factor (Å <sup>2</sup> )	- 99.9	- 77.9	- 69.7
<b>RMSD</b>			
Bond lengths (Å)	0.08	0.01	0.01
Bond angles (°)	1.02	1.11	1.04
<b>Ramachandran<sup>b</sup></b>			
Favored (%)	82.2	85.7	82.7
Allowed (%)	17.5	14.0	17.1
Generously Allowed (%)	0.3	0.3	0.2
Disallowed (%)	0	0	0
<b>Molprobit<sup>c</sup></b>			
Clash score	5.18	7.63	6.43
Rotamer outliers (%)	0.29	0.72	0.35
Overall score	1.76	1.92	1.86

<sup>a</sup> Gold-standard FSC 0.143 cutoff criteria, as calculated by RELION (Figure S2D) (Scheres, 2012).

<sup>b</sup> Procheck (Laskowski et al., 1993).

<sup>c</sup> (Chen et al., 2010)

**Table S2. Conformational changes of NusG-opsEC and RfaH-opsEC compared to X-EC (6ALF). Related to Figure 1.**

Structural module	residues	PyMOL command	Rmsd (Å), # of C $\alpha$ 's		
			vs. EC (6ALH)	vs. NusG-opsEC	vs. RfaH-opsEC
Entire structure	$\alpha$ I: 7-158; 167-234 $\alpha$ II: 4-159; 169-232	align	0.562 (2,923)	0.641 (2,666)	0.591 (2,732)
	$\beta$ : 3-890; 913-1,341 $\beta$ ': 16-933; 946-1,126; 1,135-1,373 $\omega$ : 2-74	rms_cur <sup>a</sup>	0.701 (3,162)	1.071 (3,159)	0.836 (3,162)
Core module	$\alpha$ I: 7-158; 167-234 $\alpha$ II: 4-159; 169-232	align	0.488 (1,305)	0.446 (1,274)	0.412 (1,285)
	$\beta$ : 3-30; 140-150; 445-455; 513-713; 786-832; 1,056-1,318 $\beta$ ': 343-368; 421-786 $\omega$ : 2-74	rms_cur <sup>a</sup>	0.567 (1,369)	0.550 (1,366)	0.508 (1,369)

<sup>a</sup> Structures were superimposed over the core module using the PyMOL align command prior to the rms\_cur command.