## Supplemental Data

## $\pi$ -Helix Controls Activity of Oxygen-Sensing Diguanylate Cyclases

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 Table S1. Crosslinked peptides identified by SIM-XL analysis. Red indicates crosslinked residues.

<b>BpeGReg Tetrar</b>	ner. Numberind	based on i	native p	protein sec	uence

AA1	AA2	Peptide 1	Peptide 2
129	216	RICELLDRDA <mark>S</mark> LSAAQAAATCR	KSEFGLWFIHKAAHAFEGAAESR
129	226	RICELLDRDASLSAAQAAATCR	KSEFGLWFIH <mark>K</mark> AAHAFEGAAESR

**PccGCS Tetramer.** Numbering based on native protein sequence.

AA1	AA2	Peptide 1	Peptide 2
45	411	AI <mark>S</mark> EQK	LRKKIQDHPIHLQNGESITMTISAGIAVYSGHPDYECLIK
45	412	AI <mark>S</mark> EQK	LRK <mark>K</mark> IQDHPIHLQNGESITMTISAGIAVYSGHPDYECLIK
107	213	WIADILTNTGEHLVDLINHQKKIGQIHAR	QNASLLNWENAFIF <mark>S</mark> VATGTPLSSIQDLSDSEFGLWFNHK
107	221	WIADILTNTGEHLVDLINHQKKIGQIHAR	QNASLLNWENAFIFSVATGTPL <mark>S</mark> SIQDLSDSEFGLWFNHK
107	222	WIADILTNTGEHLVDLINHQKKIGQIHAR	QNASLLNWENAFIFSVATGTPLS <mark>S</mark> IQDLSDSEFGLWFNHK



**Figure S1.** Purified protein constructs ran on a Bio-Rad 4-20% Criterion gel. Lane 1, Bio-Rad Precision Plus Kaleidoscope Protein Standards; Lane 2, *Pcc*GCS WT (55 kDa); lane 3, *Pcc*GCS H237A/K238A (55 kDa); lane 4, MBP-*Pcc*DGC (64 kDa); lane 5, *Pcc*Globin (22 kDa); lane 6, *Bpe*Globin (19 kDa).



**Figure S2.** Example of a crosslinking polyacrylamide gel with *Pcc*GCS WT. Lane 1, *Pcc*GCS WT without crosslinker; lane 2, Bio-Rad Precision Plus Kaleidoscope Protein Standards; lanes 3 and 4, *Pcc*GCS WT with 2.5X BS3 crosslinker; lanes 5 and 6, *Pcc*GCS WT with 5X BS3 crosslinker; lanes 7 and 8, *Pcc*GCS WT with 20X BS3 crosslinker. This experiment was ran on a Bio-Rad 4-20% Criterion gel.



**Figure S3.** Ultraviolet-visible absorption spectra of *Pcc*GCS H237A/K238A. Red, Fe(II)-O<sub>2</sub>; green, Fe(II)-NO; blue, Fe(II)-CO; black, Fe(II) unligated.



**Figure S4.** Representative stopped flow spectra and fits from an O<sub>2</sub> dissociation experiment of the  $\pi$ -helix double mutant. A) Representative stopped flow spectra for O2 dissociation from *Pcc*GCS FeII–O<sub>2</sub> H237A/K238A. (B) Raw data (red) and single

exponential fit (black) for *Pcc*GCS FeII–O<sub>2</sub> H237A/K238A. Residuals (difference between actual data and fit) are shown in red above the plot. (C) Raw data (red) and double exponential fit (black) for *Pcc*GCS FeII–O<sub>2</sub> H237A/K238A. Residuals (difference between actual data and fit) are shown in red above the plot.



**Figure S5.** Example of high resolution fragmentation spectra of *Pcc*GCS WT globin domain  $\alpha$ F helix crosslinked with middle domain  $\pi$ -helix. Peaks represent fragmented ions that are annotated in red and blue based on peptides involved in crosslink, and y (C-terminal fragment) and b (N-terminal fragment) ions show where peptide backbone was broken. "\*" indicates fragmented ion peak is found in spectra shown.



**Figure S6.** Example of high resolution fragmentation spectra of *Pcc*GCS WT globin domain helix  $\alpha$ B crosslinked with DGC domain helix  $\alpha$ D. Peaks represent fragmented ions that are annotated in red and blue based on peptides involved in crosslink, and y (C-terminal fragment) and b (N-terminal fragment) ions show where peptide backbone was broken. "\*" indicates fragmented ion peak is found in spectra shown.



**Figure S7.** ITC titration of *Pcc*GCS H237A/K238A binding to guanosine-5'-( $\alpha$ -thio)-triphosphate, sodium salt (GpCpp). Binding is reported as  $K_a = 1.03 \times 10^5 \text{ M}^{-1}$ ; the  $K_d$  (calculated as the inverse of  $K_a$ ) = 9.7  $\mu$ M.



**Figure S8.** Isolated diguanylate cyclase activity in the presence of isolated globin domains. (a) Aerobic kinetic rates of MBP-*Pcc*DGC with and without isolated *Pcc*Globin and *Bpe*Globin. (b) Anaerobic kinetic rates of MBP-*Pcc*DGC with and without isolated *Pcc*Globin and *Bpe*Globin. DGC – 2.83/3.18  $\mu$ M MBP-*Pcc*DGC (Fe(II)-O<sub>2</sub> and Fe(II), respectively) / no globin; 1:10 Pcc -2.83/3.18  $\mu$ M MBP-*Pcc*DGC (Fe(II)-O<sub>2</sub> and Fe(II), respectively) / 30  $\mu$ M *Pcc*Globin; 1:20 Pcc -2.83/3.18  $\mu$ M MBP-*Pcc*DGC (Fe(II)-O<sub>2</sub> and Fe(II), respectively) / 60  $\mu$ M *Pcc*Globin; 1:20 Bpe -2.83/3.18  $\mu$ M MBP-*Pcc*DGC (Fe(II)-O<sub>2</sub> and Fe(II), respectively) / 60  $\mu$ M *Bpe*Globin. Reactions were performed in triplicate. Error bars represent standard deviations (\*, P = 0.0052; \*\*, P = 0.0001; and \*\*\*, P < 0.0001).