

Supplementary Information for

The intracellular environment affects protein-protein interactions

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Condition	$K_{D\to M}(\mu M)$	$\Delta G^{\circ'}_{D \to M}$ (kcal/mol)	$\Delta\Delta G^{\circ'}{}_{D \to M}{}^{a}$ (kcal/mol)
A34F; D40N ^{-3,b} , pH 7.6, 6-fluorotryptophan labeled			
20 mM NaP ^c	9 <u>+</u> 1 ^d	6.88 <u>+</u> 0.04	0.84 ± 0.07^{d}
E. coli	only monomer	< 6	$< 0.7^{e}$
	pH 7.4, 3-fluorotyrosine labeled		
20 mM NaP	22 <u>+</u> 1	6.14 <u>+</u> 0.03	0.34 <u>+</u> 0.04
Oocytes	only dimer	> 7 ^f	> 2 ^f
A34F ⁻⁴ , pH 7.6, 6-fluorotryptophan labeled			
20 mM NaP	37 <u>+</u> 4	6.04 <u>+</u> 0.06	0
E. coli	11 <u>+</u> 4	6.8 <u>+</u> 0.2	0.7 ± 0.2
pH 7.4, 3-fluorotyrosine labeled			
20 mM NaP	40 ± 2	5.80 <u>+</u> 0.03	0
Oocytes	6.5 <u>+</u> 0.7	6.83 <u>+</u> 0.06	1.03 ± 0.07
A34F; K10N ⁻⁵ , pH 7.6, 6-fluorotryptophan labeled			
20 mM NaP	58 <u>+</u> 3	5.78 <u>+</u> 0.06	-0.26 ± 0.08
E. coli	only dimer	> 7 ^e	$> 0.7^{e}$
pH 7.4, 3-fluorotyrosine labeled			
20 mM NaP	132 <u>+</u> 6	5.11 <u>+</u> 0.03	-0.69 ± 0.04
100 g/L Lysate	48 <u>+</u> 3	5.69 <u>+</u> 0.03	-0.11 ± 0.04
Oocytes	16 ± 2	6.31 <u>+</u> 0.05	0.51 ± 0.06
A34F; N37D ⁻⁵ , pH 7.6, 6-fluorotryptophan labeled			
20 mM NaP	16 ± 1	6.54 <u>+</u> 0.06	0.50 ± 0.08
E. coli	only dimer	> 7 ^e	$> 0.7^{e}$
pH 7.4, 3-fluorotyrosine labeled			
20 mM NaP	21.9 <u>+</u> 0.6	6.14 <u>+</u> 0.02	0.34 <u>+</u> 0.04
Oocytes	1.7 ± 0.1	7.60 <u>+</u> 0.03	1.80 ± 0.04
Footnotes			

Table S1. Equilibrium Dissociation Parameters at 298 K for 6-fluorotryptophan- and 288 K for 3-fluorotyrosine- labeled proteins.

 $^{a}\Delta\Delta G^{\circ'}{}_{D\rightarrow M} = \Delta G^{\circ'}{}_{D\rightarrow M,var} - \Delta G^{\circ'}{}_{D\rightarrow M,A34F,buffer}$

^bSuperscripts denote net charge at neutral pH

^cNaP, sodium phosphate buffer

^dUncertainties are the standard deviation of the mean from triplicate measurements ^e Stabilities greater than or less than the detection limit

^fNot determined because monomer and dimer have similar shifts in oocytes, but lysate data suggest the dimer is more stable in oocytes.



Fig. S1: Quantifying dissociation of 3-fluorotryptophan labeled A34F⁻⁴, A34F;N37D⁻⁵, A34F;D40N⁻³, and A34F;K10N⁻⁵ GB1 in buffer. Uncertainties are the standard deviation of the mean from triplicate experiments. Superscripts denote net charge at pH 7.5.



Fig. S2: Quantifying dissociation of 3-fluorotyrosine labeled A34F⁻⁴, A34F;N37D⁻⁵, A34F;D40N⁻³, and A34F;K10N⁻⁵ GB1 in buffer. Superscripts denote net charge at pH 7.5. Uncertainties are derived from least squares fitting.



Fig. S3: ¹⁵N-¹H HSQC spectra of ¹⁹F-Trp labeled GB1⁻⁴, A34F;D40N⁻³ GB1, A34F⁻⁴ GB1, A34F;K10N⁻⁵ GB1, and A34F;N37D⁻⁵ GB1 in *E. coli* at 298 K, pH 7.5. Lysate and supernatant controls verify that the protein of interest is inside cells. Supernatant spectra are zoomed-in to show there is no protein leakage.



Fig. S4: ¹⁹F spectra of GB1 (orange) and A34F GB1induced in *E. coli* (green) confirm that there is no overlap of monomer and 6-FW in cells. The spectrum of A34F GB1without inducer confirms the second resonance in the GB1 spectrum is 6-FW (purple). Control spectrum of 6-FI in buffer (magenta) confirms there is no overlap with the monomer or dimer in cells.



Fig. S5: ¹⁹F NMR Spectra of 6-fluoroindole-labeled A34F GB1 in *E. coli* Tuner cells as a function of inducer (IPTG) concentration.



Fig. S6: ¹H-¹⁵N HSQC spectra in oocytes (blue) and in buffer (red, 20 mM phosphate buffer, pH 7.4) of ¹⁵N-enriched, 3FY-labeled A34F GB1.



Fig. S7: A34F GB1 is stable in oocytes for the duration of the NMR experiment, and there is no leakage. (a) ¹⁹F NMR spectra of A34F GB1 in oocytes (red) and supernatant (blue). (b) 1D ¹H-¹⁵N HSQC spectra of A34F GB1 in oocytes before (black) and after (red) acquisition of the¹⁹F NMR spectrum.



Fig. S8: Concentration of A34F GB1 in oocytes. (a) Oocytes for in-cell NMR experiments. (b) Equation to determine intraoocyte A34F concentration [A_{buffer}, A_{oocytes}, areas of ¹⁹F NMR resonance in buffer; n_{buffer}, n_{oocytes}, total moles of proteins; c_{buffer}, c_{oocytes}, concentration of proteins in buffer, oocytes; V_{buffer}, V_{oocytes}, volumes of buffer]. (c and d) Buffer and oocytes containing A34F GB1 in Shigemi micro-NMR tubes and their integrated ¹⁹F NMR spectra.



Fig. S9: ¹⁵N⁻¹H HSQC spectra of 6FI-labeled proteins in buffer alone. Superscripts denote net charge at neutral pH.



Fig. S10: ¹⁵N⁻¹H HSQC spectra of 3FY-labeled proteins in buffer alone. Superscripts denote net charge at neutral pH.



Fig. S11: ¹⁹F NMR spectra in buffer and *E. coli* of 6-fluorotryptophan (6-Fl)-labeled variants that show only monomer or dimer in cells: A34F; D40N⁻³ (a), A34F⁻⁴ (b), A34F; K10N⁻⁵, (c) A34F; N37D⁻⁵. Superscripts denote net charge at pH 7.5.



Fig. S12: ¹⁹F spectra of 3-fluorotyrosine labeled A34F;D40N⁻³ GB1 (a) ,A34F⁻⁴ GB1 (b) , A34F;K10N⁻⁵ GB1 (c) and A34F;N37D⁻⁵ GB1 (d) in buffer (red) and oocytes (blue). Superscripts denote net charge at pH 7.5.