### **Supplementary Materials**

# The picornavirus precursor 3CD has different conformational dynamics compared to 3C<sup>pro</sup> and 3D<sup>pol</sup> in functionally-relevant regions

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#### Supplementary Methods

#### Validation of rotational correlation time $\tau c$ by TRACT

1D [<sup>15</sup>N-<sup>1</sup>H]-TRACT experiments were performed as previously described [1] at 850 MHz at 298 K, with delay periods for determining R $\alpha$  of 10, 40, 80, 20, 60, 100, 50, 70, and 10 ms and delay periods for determining R $\beta$  of 0.02, 6, 2.8,8.4, 0.4, 1.6, 0.8, 10, 4.4, 0.2, 7.4, 2, 3.6, 5.2, 1.2, 20, 1.5, and 0.02 ms. For each delay, the resulting 1D spectra were integrated from 8-10 ppm. The resulting curves of integral versus delay period were fit for single exponential decay rates by nonlinear least squares with uncertainty determined by residual bootstrapping (Figure S5). Equations 1 and 2 were used to calculate  $\tau$ c [1]:

$$R_{\beta}-R_{\alpha} = 1/6 \;(\mu_0/4\pi) \;(\hbar\gamma_N^2\gamma_H B_0\Delta\delta_N)/(r_{NH^2}) \;(3\cos^2\theta - 1)(4J(0) + 3J(\omega_N)) \quad (1)$$

$$J(w) = 2/5 \;\tau_c/(1+w^2\tau_c^2) \tag{2}$$

where R $\alpha$  and R $\beta$  are the decay rates for the  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  spin states,  $\mu_0$  is the vacuum permittivity constant,  $\gamma_N$  and  $\gamma_H$  are the gyromagnetic ratios for <sup>15</sup>N and <sup>1</sup>H respectively, B<sub>0</sub> is the strength of the external magnetic field,  $\Delta\delta_N$  is the difference between the two principal components of the axially symmetric <sup>15</sup>N chemical shift tensor, r<sub>NH</sub> is the <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>15</sup>N internuclear distance (1.02 x 10<sup>-10</sup> m,  $\theta$  is the angle between the <sup>15</sup>N chemical shift tensor and the N-H bond vector (17°), and  $\omega_N$  is the Larmor frequency for <sup>15</sup>N. To account for the difference in viscosity between the D<sub>2</sub>O-based buffer required for the relaxation violated coherence transfer experiment and the H<sub>2</sub>O-based buffer required for the TRACT experiment, the value of  $\tau_c$  was scaled by 1.45 to account for the increased viscosity of D<sub>2</sub>O. This scaling factor was determined by measuring the viscosity of 20% glycerol in D<sub>2</sub>O v/v at 20 °C using a Cannon-Fenske viscometer. Then a pulsed field gradient experiment (ledbpgppr2s from Bruker library) with 1000 µs gradient duration at 400 MHz on a Bruker Avance NEO spectrometer was used to determine the temperature dependence of the diffusion coefficient of phenylalanine in the NMR buffer used for the Ile $\delta$ 1-[<sup>13</sup>C,<sup>1</sup>H] samples at 22 °C, 23.5 °C, and 25 °C in a 3 mm NMR tube. The gradient strength was increased in a squared manner from 5% to 95% in 16 steps with 8 scans each. The diffusion coefficient was extrapolated to 20 °C by linear fit and the Stokes-Einstein equation was used to determine the viscosity at 25 °C [2].

The of  $\tau_c$  determined by TRACT for 3C was 28.7 ± 1.6 ns. The value of  $\tau_c$  needed so that the highest order parameter is equal to 1 is 24.8 ns, and the value calculated by HydroNMR was 25.1 ns. The value of  $\tau_c$  from TRACT is within 15%, and the differences in order parameters identified in the main text are large enough for our analysis to hold even with a  $\tau_c$  for 3C of 28.7 ns and  $\tau_c$  determined by setting the highest order parameter to equal 1 for 3C\*D.









Figure S1. Multiple quantum <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>13</sup>C CPMG relaxation dispersion plots for d1-methyl Ile groups in the 3C protein.







Figure S2. <sup>1</sup>H CEST profiles for d1-methyl Ile groups in the 3C protein.







Figure S3. <sup>13</sup>C CEST profiles for d1-methyl Ile groups in the 3C protein.



**Figure S4.** Nonlinear fits for the intramethyl <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H cross-correlated relaxation (eta), including the correction for dipolar interactions with external protons (delta) for d1-methyl Ile groups in the 3C protein. Units for eta and delta are s<sup>-1</sup>.



00 600 v<sub>cpmg</sub>(s<sup>-1</sup>)  $v_{cpmg}(s^{-1})$ Figure S6. Multiple quantum <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>13</sup>C CPMG relaxation dispersion plots for d1-methyl Ile groups in the 3C domain of the 3CD protein (i.e. 3C\*D). Only curves with measurable Rex values are shown; other curves are relatively flat or overly noisy preventing estimation of  $R_{\mbox{\tiny ex}}$  values.



Figure S7. <sup>1</sup>H CEST profiles for d1-methyl Ile groups in the 3C domain of the 3CD protein (i.e. 3C\*D).





**Figure S8.** Nonlinear fits for the intramethyl <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H cross-correlated relaxation (eta), including the correction for dipolar interactions with external protons (delta) for d1-methyl Ile groups in the 3CD protein. Units for eta and delta are s<sup>-1</sup>. 3C\*D and 3CD\* indicate Ile residues in the 3C and 3D domains, respectively, such that the 3CD\* numbering follows the 3D numbering convention.



**Figure S9.** Multiple quantum  ${}^{1}H{}^{-13}C$  CPMG relaxation dispersion plots for d1-methyl Ile groups in 3D protein. Only curves with measurable R<sub>ex</sub> values are shown; other curves are relatively flat or overly noisy preventing estimation of R<sub>ex</sub> values.







Figure S10. <sup>1</sup>H CEST profiles for d1-methyl Ile groups in the 3D protein.





**Figure S11.** Nonlinear fits for the intramethyl <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H cross-correlated relaxation (eta), including the correction for dipolar interactions with external protons (delta) for d1-methyl Ile groups in the 3D protein. Units for eta and delta are  $s^{-1}$ .



**Figure S12.** Multiple quantum  ${}^{1}H_{-}{}^{13}C$  CPMG relaxation dispersion plots for d1-methyl Ile groups in the 3D domain of the 3CD protein (i.e. 3CD<sup>\*</sup>). Only curves with measurable R<sub>ex</sub> values are shown; other curves are relatively flat or overly noisy preventing estimation of R<sub>ex</sub> values.









Figure S13. <sup>1</sup>H CEST profiles for d1-methyl Ile groups in the 3D domain of the 3CD protein (i.e. 3CD\*).

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