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Supporting Information

The S2 Cu(I) site in CupA from *Streptococcus pneumoniae* is required for cellular copper resistance

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Supporting Table S1. Bacterial strains used in this study

<i>S. pneumoniae</i> strains			
Strain number	Genotype (description) ^a	Antibiotic resistance ^b	Reference or source
K643	D39 $\Delta cps\Delta copA::P_c-[kan^R-rpsL^+]$ (IU1945 transformed with $\Delta copA::P_c-[kan^R-rpsL^+]$ amplicon)	Str ^S Kan ^R	¹
K645	D39 $\Delta cps\Delta cupA::P_c-[kan^R-rpsL^+]$ (IU1945 transformed with $\Delta cupA::P_c-[kan^R-rpsL^+]$ amplicon)	Str ^S Kan ^R	¹
IU1690	D39 (Single colony isolate of serotype 2 strain encapsulated D39 NCTC 7466)	None	²
IU1781	D39 <i>rpsL1</i> (IU1690 transformed with <i>pulA-rpsL1-rpsG-fusA</i> amplicon)	Str ^R	³
IU1945	D39 Δcps	None	²
IU5921	D39 <i>rpsL1</i> $\Delta cupA::P_c-[kan^R-rpsL^+]$ (IU1781 transformed with $\Delta cupA::P_c-[kan^R-rpsL^+]$ amplicon from K645)	Str ^S Kan ^R	¹
IU5923	D39 <i>rpsL1</i> $\Delta copA::P_c-[kan^R-rpsL^+]$ (IU1781 transformed with $\Delta copA::P_c-[kan^R-rpsL^+]$ amplicon from K643)	Str ^S Kan ^R	¹
IU5971	D39 <i>rpsL1</i> $\Delta cupA$ (IU5921 transformed with $\Delta cupA$ amplicon)	Str ^R	¹
IU5975	D39 <i>rpsL1</i> $\Delta copA$ (IU5923 transformed with $\Delta copA$ amplicon)	Str ^R	¹
IU6041	D39 <i>rpsL1 cupA-(C)-FLAG</i> (IU5921 transformed with <i>cupA-(C)-FLAG</i> amplicon)	Str ^R	¹
IU6084	D39 <i>rpsL1 cupA</i> ($\Delta(2-28)$) (IU5921 transformed with <i>cupA</i> $\Delta(2-28)$ amplicon)	Str ^R	¹
IU6242	D39 <i>rpsL1 copA</i> (C49S) (IU5923 transformed with <i>copA</i> (C49S) amplicon)	Str ^R	This study
IU6458	D39 <i>rpsL1 copA</i> (C49S M172A E216A D347A) = <i>copA</i> MBS (IU5924 transformed with <i>copA</i> MBS fusion amplicon)	Str ^R	This study
IU6585	D39 <i>rpsL1 cupA</i> (M113A; M115A) = <i>cupA</i> (2A) (IU5921 transformed with <i>cupA</i> (2A) amplicon)	Str ^R	¹
IU6618	D39 <i>rpsL1 copA</i> (K155E K166E K167E) (IU5924 transformed with <i>copA</i> P Helix charge revertant fusion amplicon)	Str ^R	This study
IU7391	D39 <i>rpsL1 copA</i> (C49S K155E K166E K167E) (IU5923 transformed with <i>copA</i> C49S K155E K166E K167E fusion amplicon)	Str ^R	This study
IU7487	D39 <i>rpsL1 cupA</i> _(aa28-123) :: <i>copZ_{Bsu}</i> _(aa2-69) -(C)-FLAG (IU5921 <i>cupA::kanrpsL1</i> transformed with <i>cupA</i> _(aa1-27) - <i>copZ_{Bsu}</i> _(NC_000964 aa2-69) -FLAG fusion amplicon)	Str ^R	This study
IU7620	D39 <i>rpsL1 cupA</i> C111S (IU5921 D39 <i>rpsL1</i> 1781 $\Delta cupA::kanrpsL$ transformed with <i>cupA</i> C111S fusion amplicon)	Str ^R	This study

IU9405	D39 <i>rpsL1 cupA</i> C111S-(C)-FLAG (IU5921 D39 <i>rpsL1</i> 1781 Δ <i>cupA::kanrpsL</i> transformed with <i>cupA</i> C111S-(C)-FLAG fusion amplicon)	Str ^R	This study
IU9584	D39 <i>rpsL1 cupA</i> H117A-FLAG (IU5921 D39 <i>rpsL1 cupA::kanrpsL</i> transformed with <i>cupA</i> H117A-FLAG fusion amplicon)	Str ^R	This study
IU10134	D39 <i>rpsL1 copA</i> Δ MBD-FLAG (Δ aa2-98) (IU5923 D39 <i>rpsL1 copA::kanrpsL</i> transformed with <i>copA</i> Δ MBD-FLAG fusion amplicon)	Str ^R	This study
IU10148	D39 <i>rpsL1 copA</i> WF-to-AA-FLAG (W162A/F165A) (IU5923 D39 <i>rpsL1 copA::kanrpsL</i> transformed with <i>copA</i> WF-to-AA-FLAG fusion amplicon)	Str ^R	This study
IU10316	D39 <i>rpsL1 copA</i> WF-to-LL-FLAG (W162L/F165L) (IU5923 D39 <i>rpsL1 copA::kanrpsL</i> transformed with <i>copA</i> WF-to-LL-FLAG fusion amplicon)	Str ^R	This study

^aPrimers used to synthesize fusion amplicons for this study are listed in Supplemental Table S2. All FLAG-tagged fusions ((C)-FLAG) were made to the carboxyl end (C) of reading frames. The amino acid sequence for the FLAG epitope is DYKDDDDK³. aa = amino acids. ^bAntibiotic resistance markers: Kan^R, kanamycin; Str^R, streptomycin, Concentrations of antibiotics used for *S. pneumoniae* strains: 250 µg Str per mL (Sigma S6501) and 250 µg Kan per mL (Sigma K0254).

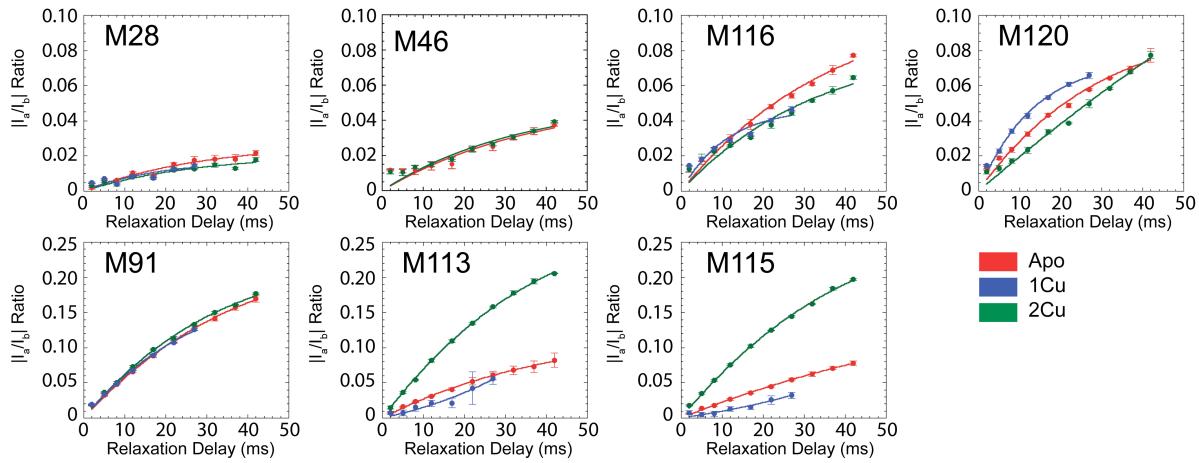
Supporting Table S2. Oligonucleotide primers used in this study

Primer	Sequence (5' to 3') ^a	Template ^b	Amplicon Product
For construction of IU6242 (<i>copA</i> (C49S))			
P1360	TTCGACTGGTCCAAGTCAACGGTTCAGACA	D39	5' flanking fragment
TT331	CTTCTCAAACAGAATTCCCTTATAAG <u>AG</u> GAGTTGAAG GAGTAGCACGATGAAAG		
TT332	CGTGCTACTCCTTCAA <u>ACT</u> <u>CTT</u> TATAAGGAAATTCTG TTTGAAGAAGAAGGTAT	D39	3' flanking fragment with <i>copA</i> -FLAG ^c
P1361	TCGTTCAAAGCAGGAGCGATGAATGAGCGT		
For construction of IU6458 (<i>copA</i> (C49S M172A E216A D347A)) = <i>copA</i> MBS			
P1360	TTCGACTGGTCCAAGTCAACGGTTCA	IU 6242 (CopA: C49S)	5' flanking fragment
KB29	CCAGGGCAACCAAGGTATCAGCGTTGGCATTGTGC TTCTTAAA <u>ACT</u> GG		
KB30	TTTAAGAAC <u>CACA</u> ATGCCAACGCTGATACCTTGG TTGCCCTGGGAAC	IU 6242 (CopA: C49S)	MBS mid 1
KB31	TGAGACGTATT <u>TTT</u> CTCAT <u>TTT</u> CAGAAAAACT GCTCCC <u>AAA</u> AGAACG		
KB32	GTTCTTTGGGAGCAGTTTGCTGAAAAATGAGA AAAAATACGTCTCAAGC	IU 6242 (CopA: C49S)	MBS mid 2
KB33	GGACAAAAATCCCTGAAATCTTAGCTGTCAAGTCC TGAATCGGCG		

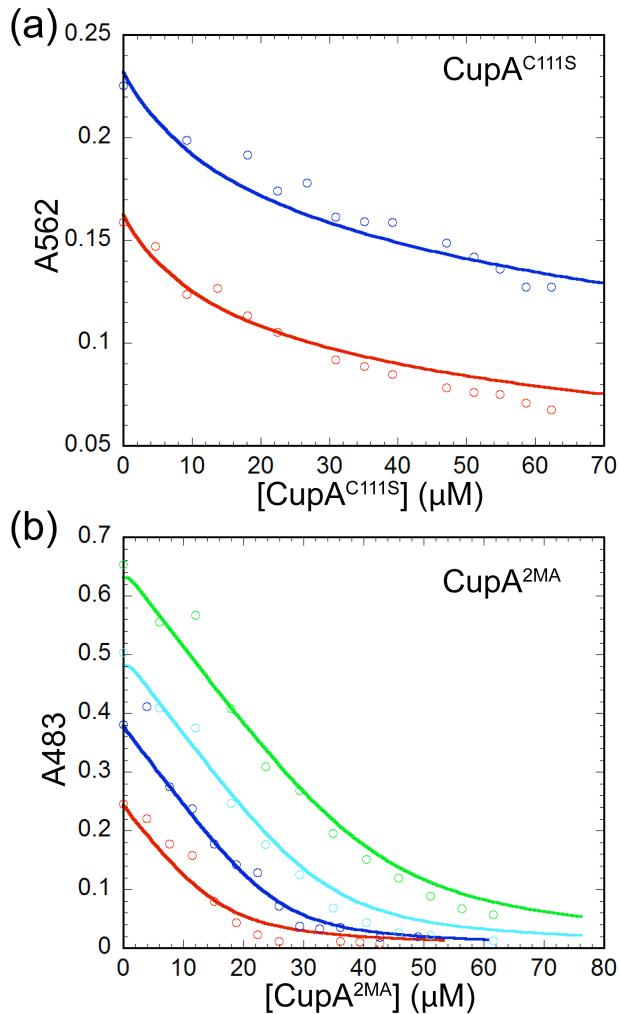
KB34	GCCGATTCAAGGACTTGACAGCTAAGATTCAAGGGA TTTTGTCCCAG	IU 6242 (CopA: C49S)	3' flanking fragment
P1361	TCGTTCAAAGCAGGAGCGATGAATGA		
For construction of IU6618 (<i>copA</i> C49S K155E K166E K167E) – <i>copA</i> P-helix			
P1360	TTCGACTGGTCCAAGTCAACGGTTCA	D39 genomic	5' flanking fragment
KB69	CCCAAGCACTCTGGATATATGGCTCACCTGCAACT AACATAATAGGCCTTG		
KB70	CGCCTATTATGTTAGTTGCAGGTGAGCCATATATCC AGAGTGCTTGGC	D39 genomic	Mid fragment
KB71	AGGTATCCATGTTGGCATTGTGCTCCTCAAAACTGG CCCAAGCACTCTGG		
KB72	GAGTGCTTGGGCCAGTTTGAGGAGCACAATGCCA ACATGGATACCTTGG	D39 genomic	3' flanking fragment
P1361	TCGTTCAAAGCAGGAGCGATGAATGA		
For construction of IU7391 (<i>copA</i> C49S K155E K166E K167E)			
P1356	AGTCCCTGCAATGGTCAAAGCACCGG	IU6618 copA K155E K166E K167E	5' flanking fragment
TT331	CTTCTCAAACAGAATTCCCTATAAGAGTTGAAG GAGTAGCACGATGAAAG		
TT332	CGTGCTACTCCTCAAACCTCTTATAAGGAAATTCTG TTTGAAGAAGAAGGTAT		
P1361	TCGTTCAAAGCAGGAGCGATGAATGA		
For construction of IU7487 (<i>cupA</i>_(aa28-123)::<i>copZ</i>_{Bsu}_(aa2-69)-(C)-FLAG)			
P1356	AGTCCCTGCAATGGTCAAAGCACCGG	IU6041 <i>cupA</i> - FLAG	5' flanking fragment
KB208	TCAACTTGCATGTTTTGTTCTTTCAAGGCTTT TGAAAAACCAAA		
KB207	TTTCAAAAAGCCTGAAAAAGAACAAAAAACATTGC AAGTTGAAGGAA	Plasmid with <i>copZ</i> _{Bsu}	Mid fragment
KB209	TATTTATCATCATCATCTTATAATCCTTGGCTACGT CATAGCCCTGATCT		
KB210	AGGGCTATGACGTAGCCAAGGATTATAAAGATGAT GATGATAAATAGGTGGAGA	IU6041 <i>cupA</i> - FLAG	3' flanking fragment
P1357	AGGTGGCCTACCTTGACTTGTCCAA		
For construction of IU7620 (<i>cupA</i> C111S)			
P1356	AGTCCCTGCAATGGTCAAAGCACCGG	D39	5' flanking fragment
KB271	CATACC <u>AGAAGCAAAGCTAAACTCTCCAG</u>		
KB270	CTTTGCTT <u>CTGGTATGAACATGATGAC</u> CAC		3' flanking fragment
P1357	AGGTGGCCTACCTTGACTTGTCCAA		
For construction of IU9405 (<i>cupA</i> C111S-(C)-FLAG)			
P1356	AGTCCCTGCAATGGTCAAAGCACCGG	IU6041 <i>cupA</i> - FLAG	5' flanking fragment
KB271	CATACC <u>AGAAGCAAAGCTAAACTCTCCAG</u>		
KB270	CTTTGCTT <u>CTGGTATGAACATGATGAC</u> CAC		3' flanking

P1357	AGGTCCGCTACCTGACTTGTTC For construction of IU9584 (<i>cupA</i> H117A-(C)-FLAG)		fragment
P1356	AGTCCCTGCAATGGTCAAAGCACCGG	IU6041 <i>cupA</i> -FLAG	5' flanking fragment
KB358	CTCTACAATCATCTGCC <u>CAGCC</u> CATCATGTTCATACC ACAAGCAAAGC		3' flanking fragment
KB359	CTTGTGGTATGAACATGATGG <u>G</u> CAAGATGATT GTAGAGGATTATAAAGATG		
P1357	AGGTCCGCTACCTGACTTGTTC For construction of IU10134 (<i>copA</i> ΔMBD-(C)-FLAG)		
P1360	TTCGACTGGTCCAAGTCAACGGTTCA	IU6044 <i>copA</i> -FLAG	5' flanking fragment
KB387	GATTTTCGAGTCTTCATAGTCTCCACCTACTCTACA ATCATCTTGCCGTG		3' flanking fragment
KB388	GATTTTCGAGTCTTCATAGTCTCCACCTATTATCA TCATCATCTTATAATCCTCTAC		
P1361	TCGTTCAAAGCAGGAGCGATGAATGA For construction of IU10148 (<i>copA</i> WF-to-AA-(C)-FLAG)		
P1360	TTCGACTGGTCCAAGTCAACGGTTCA	IU6044 <i>copA</i> -FLAG	5' flanking fragment
KB389	CATGTTGGCATTGTGCTTT <u>A</u> GC <u>A</u> CTGGC <u>A</u> GCAGC ACTCTGGATATATGGCTTACCTGC		3' flanking fragment
KB390	AAGCCATATATCCAGAGTGCT <u>G</u> CTGCCAGT <u>G</u> CTAA AAAGCACAATGCCAACATGGATACC		
P1361	TCGTTCAAAGCAGGAGCGATGAATGA For construction of IU10316 (<i>copA</i> WF-to-LL-(C)-FLAG)		
P1360	TTCGACTGGTCCAAGTCAACGGTTCA	IU6044 <i>copA</i> -FLAG	5' flanking fragment
KB391	CATGTTGGCATTGTGCTTT <u>A</u> AG <u>A</u> CTGGCC <u>A</u> AGC ACTCTGGATATATGGCTTACCTGC		3' flanking fragment
KB392	AAGCCATATATCCAGAGTGCT <u>T</u> GGCCAGT <u>C</u> TTAA AAAGCACAATGCCAACATGGATACC		
P1361	TCGTTCAAAGCAGGAGCGATGAATGA		

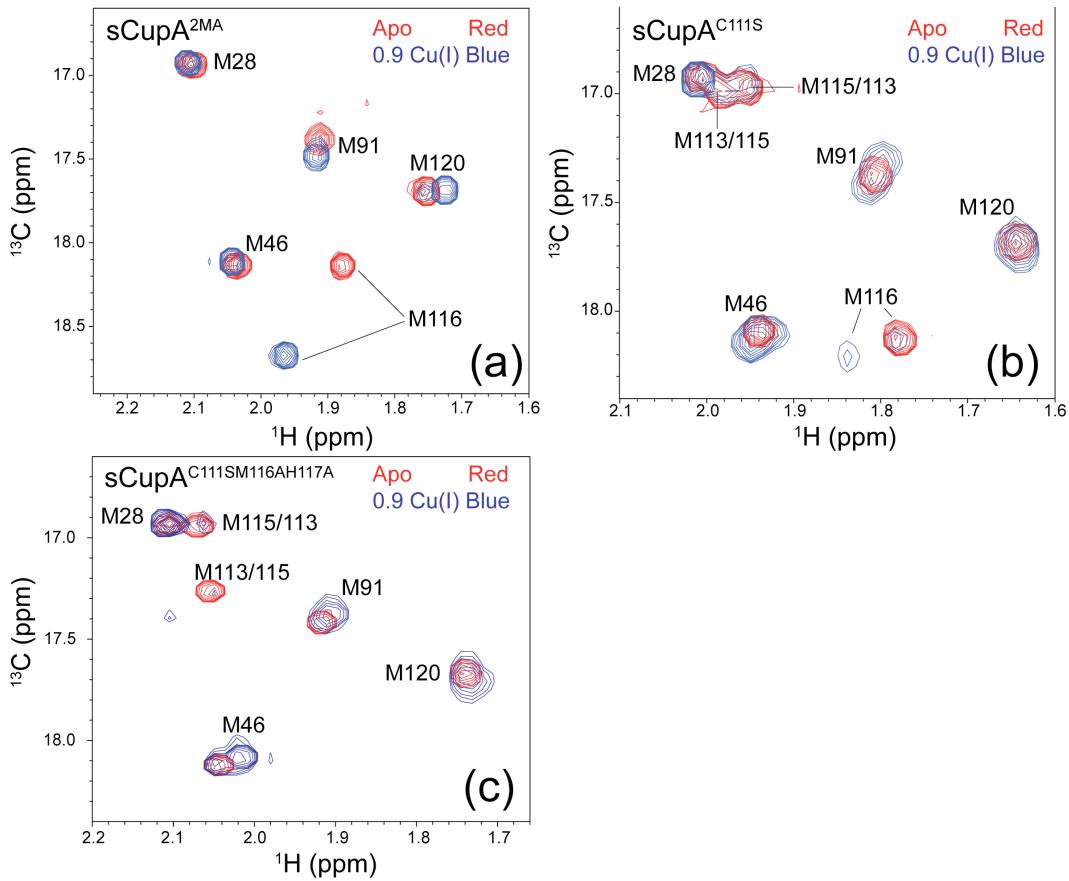
^aSequences in italic and bold letters represent FLAG tag. Underlined sequences indicate sequence changes to produce the desired mutation. ^bGenomic DNA of the indicated *S. pneumoniae* strains was used as templates for PCR reactions. aa = amino acids.



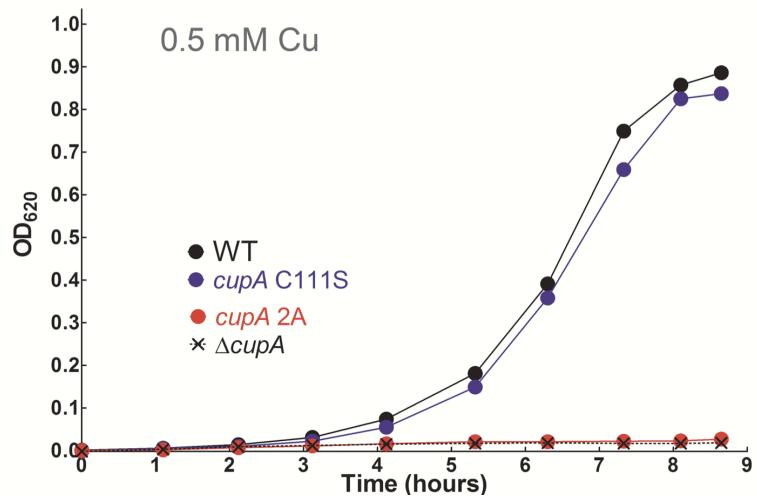
Supporting Figure S1. Build-up curves as a function of intensity ratio (I_a/I_b) (see Methods, main text) used to determine the intramethyl ^1H - ^1H dipole-dipole cross-correlated relaxation rate (η) for each of the seven Met ϵCH_3 groups in sCupA in each of three ligation states, apo (red), 1 Cu bound to the S1 sites (blue), and both S1 and S2 sites filled (green). η is related to the axial order parameter, S_{axis}^2 and the molecular rotational correlation time, τ_c (see **Figure 4**, main text). Data for Met46 in the Cu₁ state were obscured by resonance overlap and are therefore not shown.



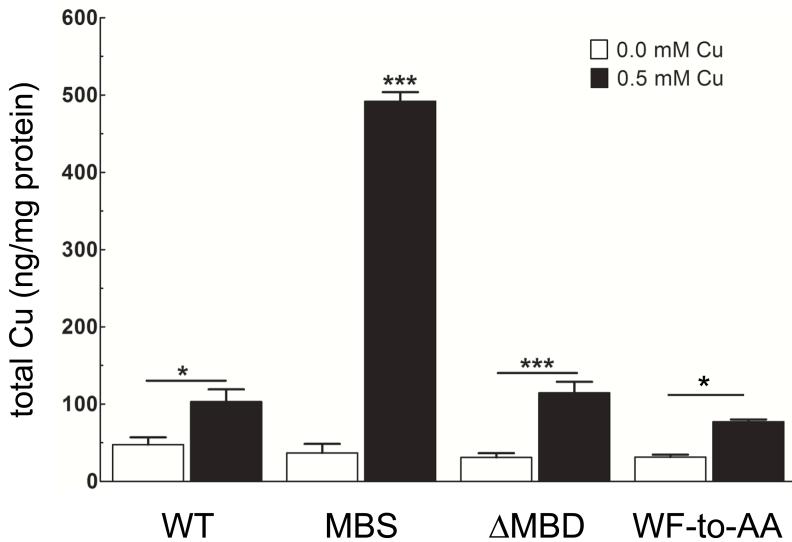
Supporting Figure S2. Cu(I) binding affinity titrations obtained for (A) C111S sCupA and (B) sCupA^{2MA}. (A) For C111S sCupA, 21 or 30 μM CuCl was mixed with 50 μM (red) or 70 μM (blue) BCA and protein was titrated into this mixture. The absorbance of BCA:Cu(I) complex was monitored at 562 nm. (B) For CupA^{2MA}, 18, 28, 37 or 48 μM CuCl was mixed with 44 μM (red), 60 μM (blue), 71 μM (cyan) or 93 μM (green) BCS and protein was titrated into this mixture. The absorbance of BCS:Cu(I) complex was monitored at 483 nm. Lines in each panel represent the results of a global fit of a 1:1 binding model as described previously.¹



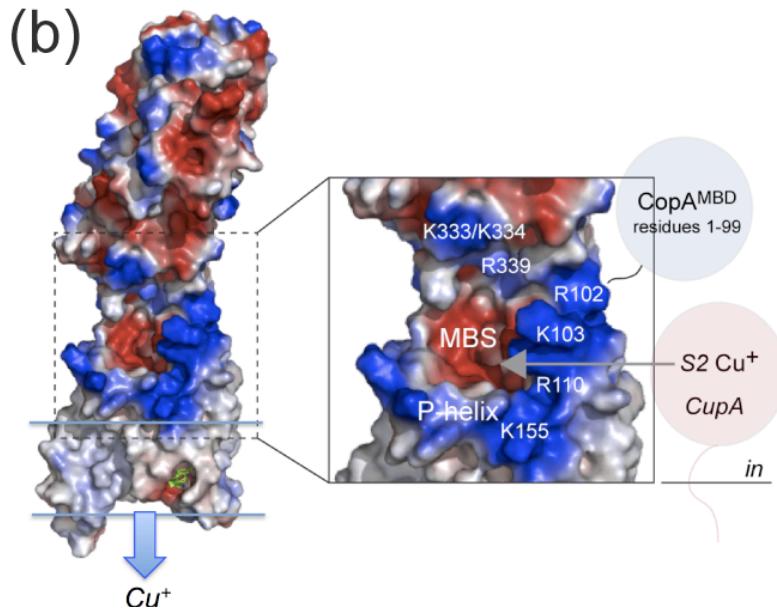
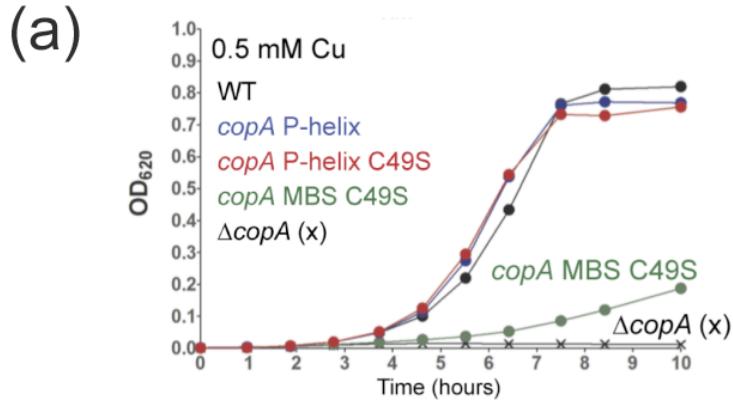
Supporting Figure S3. $^1\text{H}, ^{13}\text{C}$ HSQC spectra showing $^1\text{H}-^{13}\text{C}$ crosspeaks of the ϵCH_3 Met methyl groups recorded for sCupA^{2MA} (A), C111S sCupA (B) and the triple substitution mutant C111S/M116A/H117A (C) in the absence (apo, red crosspeaks) and presence (blue crosspeaks) of 0.9 mol equivalents Cu(I). These data reveal that all mutant proteins are folded and that the C111S substitution introduces considerable chemical exchange broadening into the S2 Cu-binding site region that is not quenched by Ala substitution of immediately adjacent, potential non-native Cu(I)-ligating residues M116 and H117. The methyl groups of S2 Cu(I)-ligating M113 and M115 are significantly broadened in panels B and C when Cu(I) is added. No ϵCH_3 Met resonances outside of this spectral window were observed, in contrast to the wild-type protein.¹



Supporting Figure S4. Microaerophilic growth rate analysis of *cupA*^{C111S} and *cupA*^{2MA} strains compared to parent isogenic Δ *cupA* and wild-type (WT) strains in the presence of 0.5 mM Cu. A *cupA*^{2MA} mutant strain (red symbols) exhibits a growth phenotype indistinguishable from a Δ *cupA* strain (X), while a *cupA*^{C111S} mutant (blue symbols) grows like WT (black filled circles) when 0.5 mM Cu is added to the BHI growth medium at $t=0$.



Supporting Figure S5. Total [Cu] (ng Cu/mg protein) in the indicated strains as measured by ICP-MS in the absence (*open bars*) or presence (*filled bars*) of 0.5 mM Cu added to cultures at $OD_{620} \approx 0.03$. These data represent mean \pm S.E. from three biological replicates. Statistical significance was determined using one-way ANOVA with Tukey post-test where *** $p < 0.0001$; *, $p < 0.05$. WT, wild-type strain; MBS, M172A/E216A/D347A *copA* strain; Δ MBD, *copA* lacking the N-terminal metal binding domain (MBD; residues 1-99), WF-to-AA, W162A/F165A *copA* strain. The MBS strain also carries a *copA*^{C498} substitution which has no detectable growth phenotype.¹



Supporting Figure S6. (A) Representative growth curves (BHI + 0.5 mM Cu) obtained for wild-type (WT) (black filled circles), a *copA* strain expressing a triple mutant (K155E/K166E/K167E) CopA (P-helix) (blue filled circles), a *copA* strain expressing a quadruple mutant (C49S/K155E/K166E/K167E) CopA (P-helix C49S) (red filled circles), a *copA* strain expressing the triple MBS mutant in a C49S background (MBS C49S) (green filled circles), compared to a Δ *copA* strain (x) which fails to grow under these conditions. The *copA*^{C49S} strain (not shown) grows like WT under these conditions.¹ (B) Space filling model of the MBS region in a homology model of *S. pneumoniae* CopA threaded through *Lp* apo-CopA⁴ with basic residues surrounding the MBS and the platform helix (P-helix) highlighted. Surface electrostatic charge is represented by blue (positive potential) and red (negative potential). The approximate placement of the CopA^{MBD} of known structure¹ within the CopA model is indicated; the work presented here is consistent with a model in which the S2 Cu(I) of CupA delivers Cu(I) directly to the MBS as indicated by the grey arrow (*right*). The direction of the Cu transport is indicated by the *light blue* arrow.

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