

**Electronic Supplementary Information for**

**“Structural studies suggest aggregation as one of the modes of action for  
teixobactin”**

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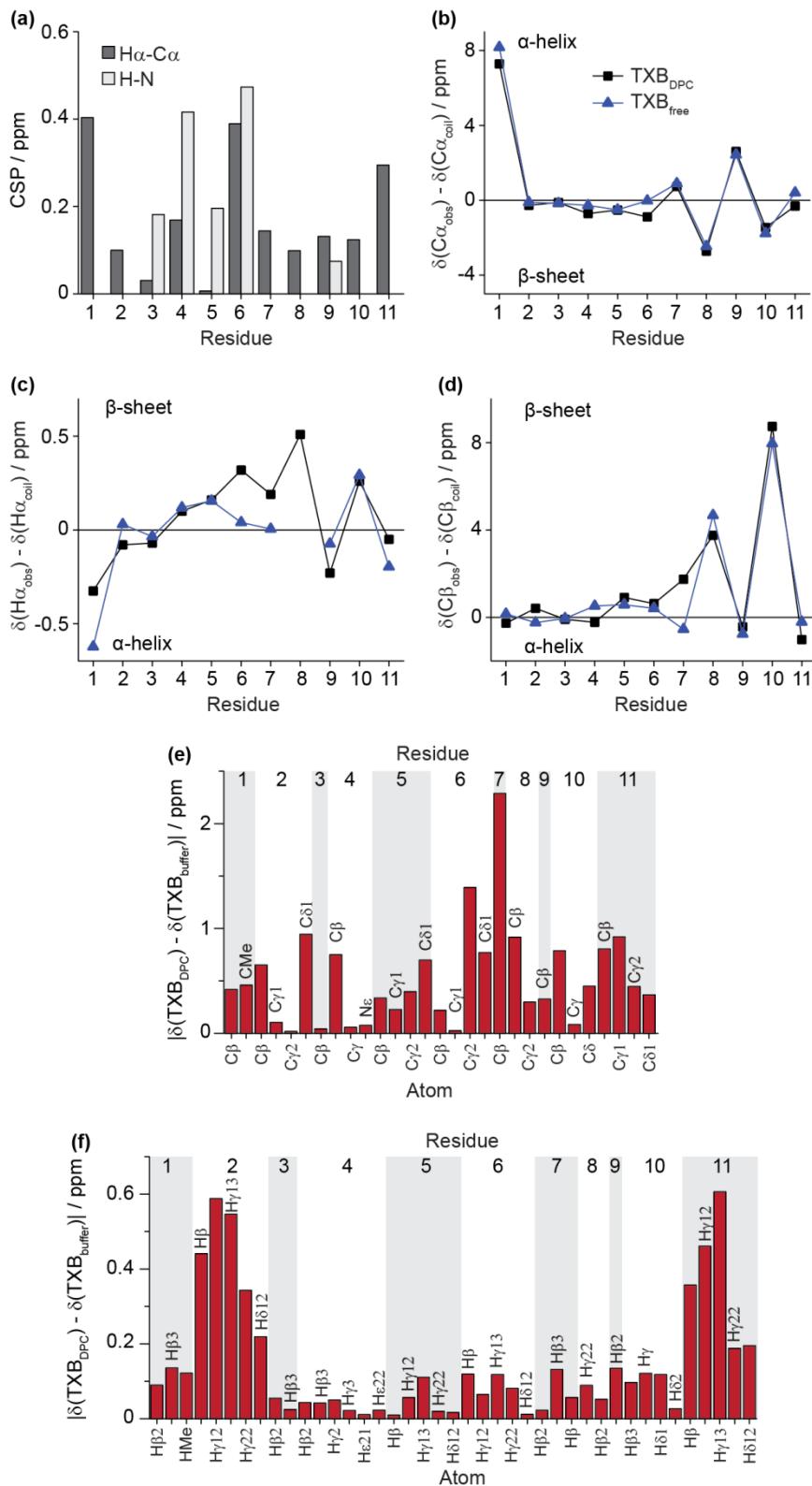
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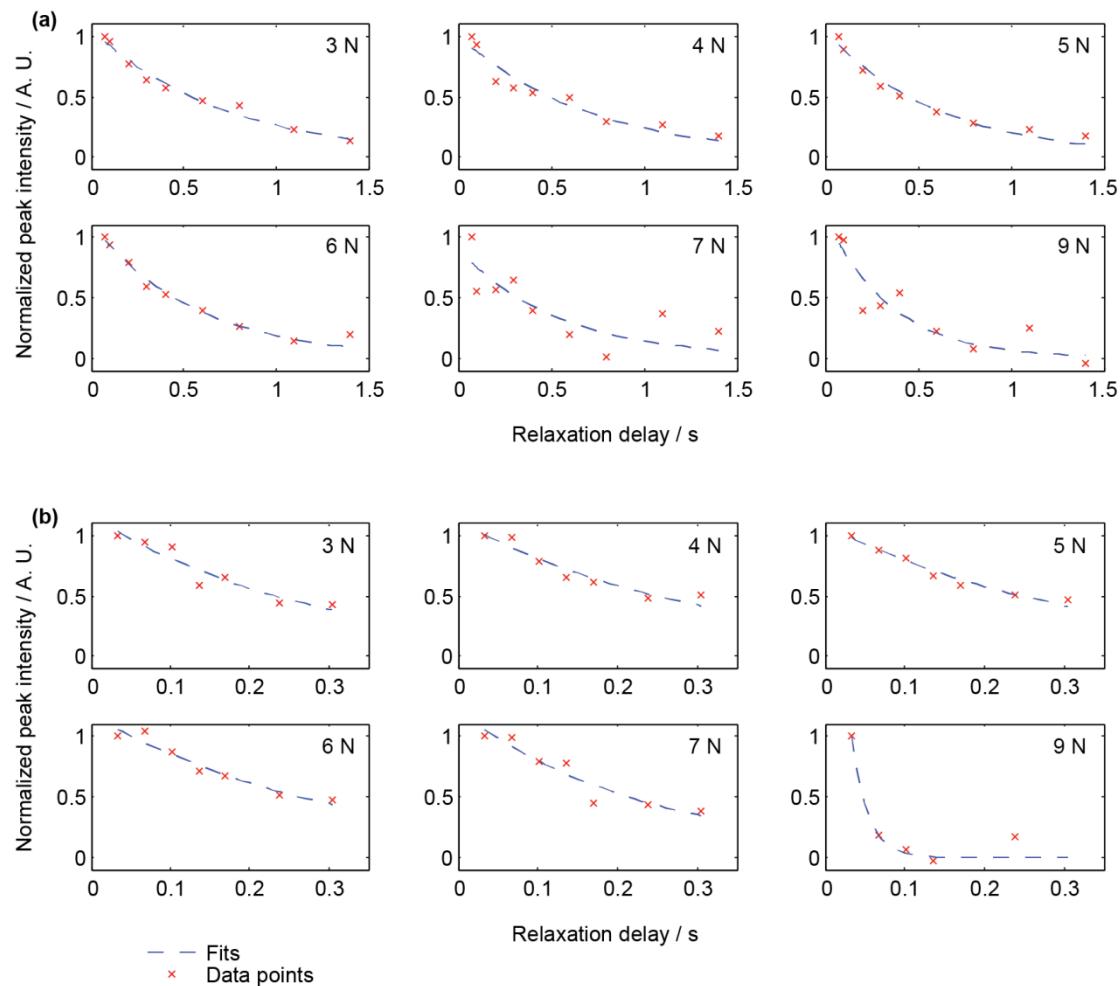
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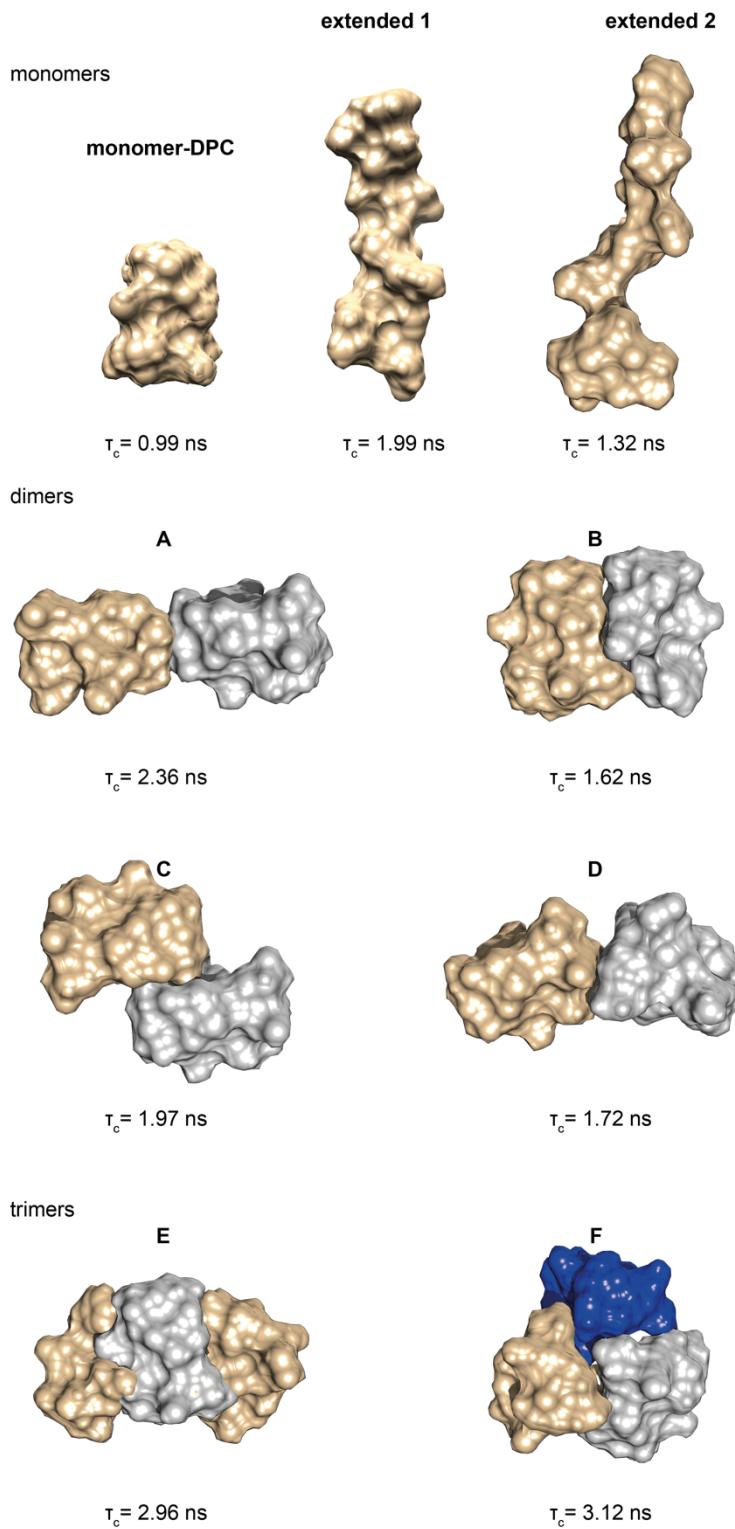
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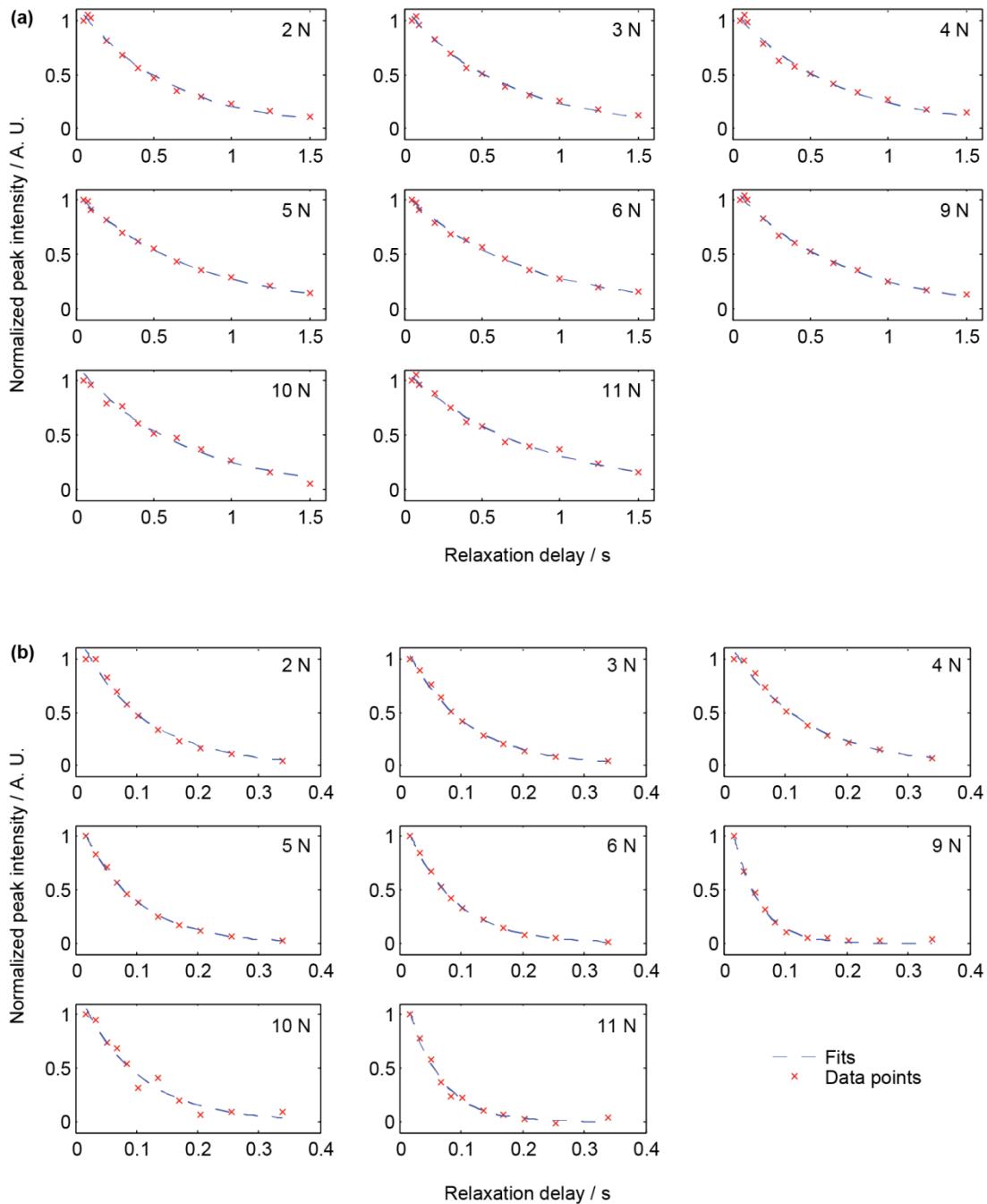
**Figure ESI1.** Comparison of chemical shifts between teixobactin in phosphate buffer in the presence and absence of DPC micelles. (a) Chemical shift perturbations (CSP). (b)  $C^\alpha$  secondary chemical shifts. (c)  $H^\alpha$  secondary chemical shifts. (d)  $C^\beta$  secondary chemical shifts. (e) Chemical shift differences for side-chain carbons and nitrogens. (f) Chemical shift differences for side-chain protons.



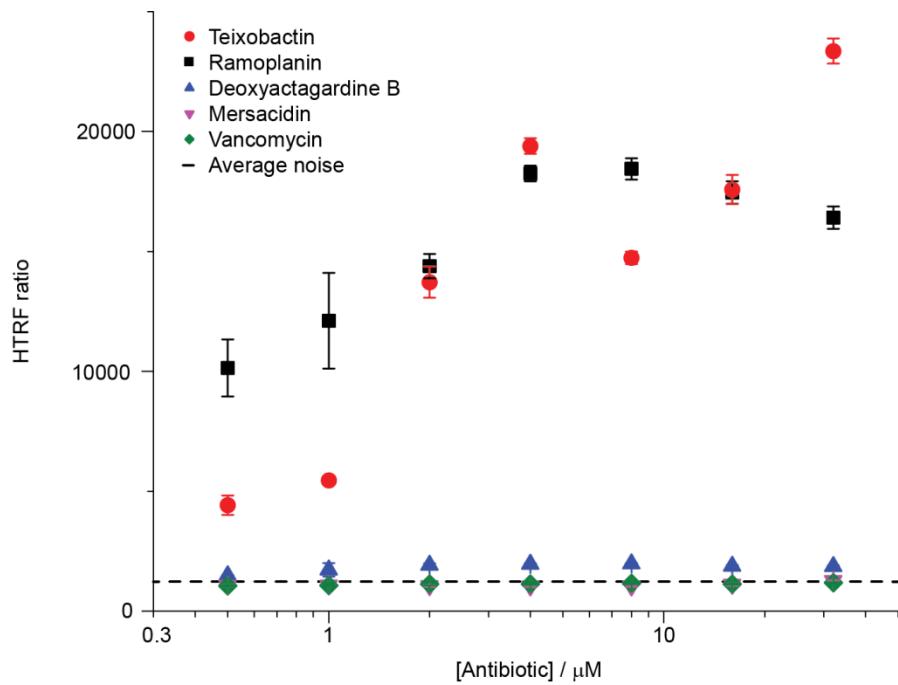
**Figure ESI2.** Solution NMR  $^{15}\text{N}$   $R_1$  (a) and  $R_2$  (b) relaxation measurements for teixobactin in aqueous solution (red crosses). Dashed blue lines indicate the best fits to a single decaying exponential. Data obtained at 700 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  Larmor frequency and a sample temperature of 25 °C.



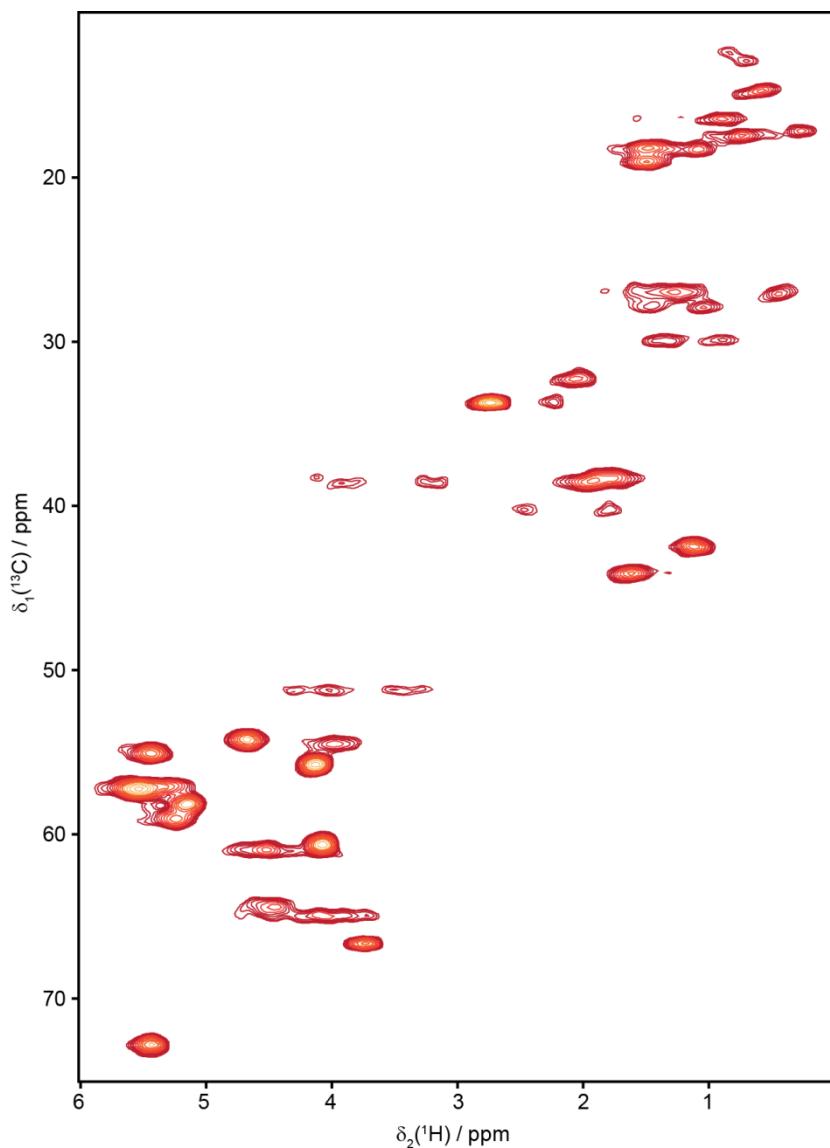
**Figure ESI3.** Models of potential dimers and trimers based on the NMR structure of teixobactin. Correlation times were predicted using HYDRONMR<sup>1</sup> based on each of the model and are compared with correlation times calculated from <sup>15</sup>N T<sub>1</sub> and T<sub>2</sub> relaxation times in SI table 3.



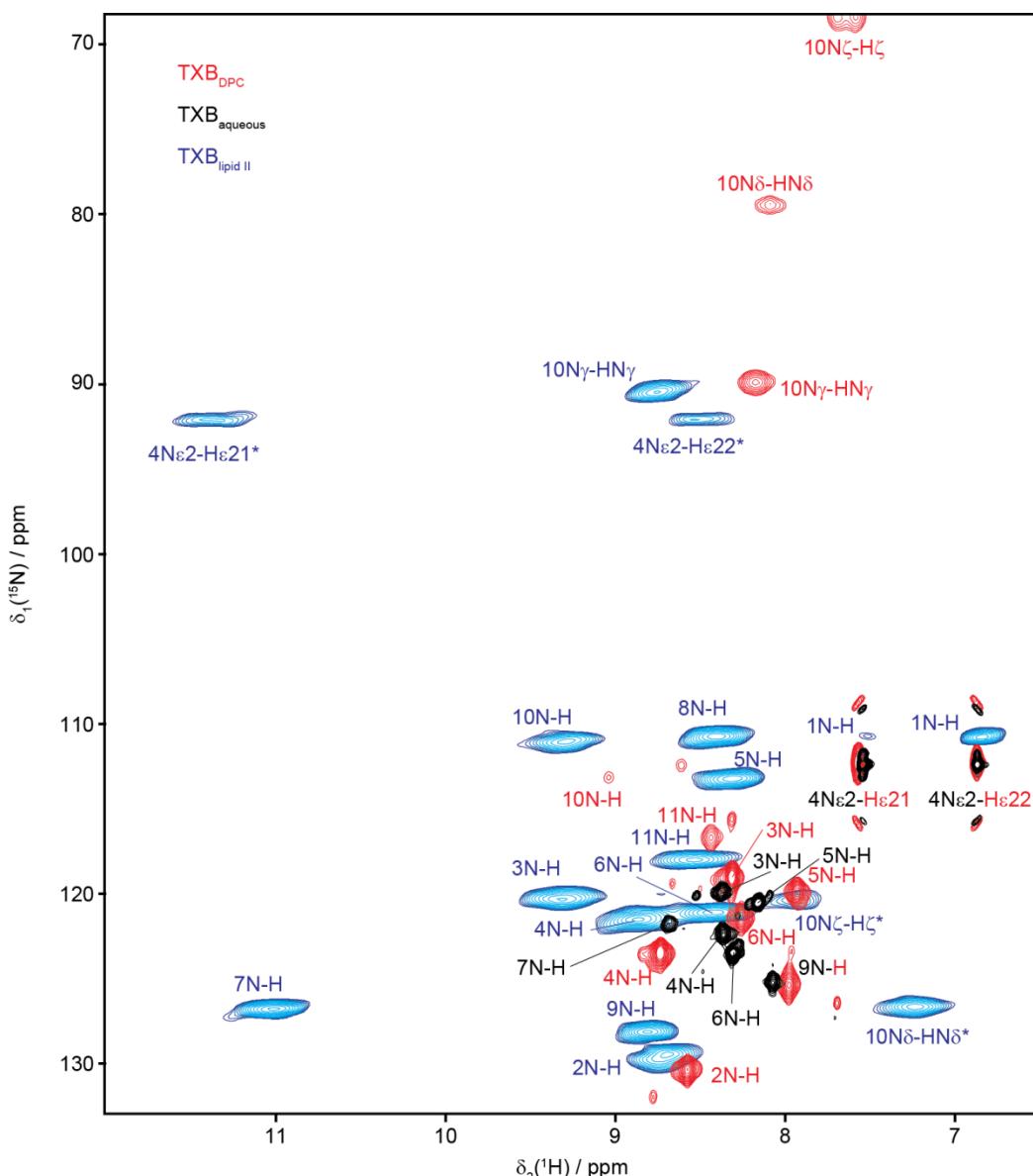
**Figure ESI4.** Solution NMR  $^{15}\text{N}$   $R_1$  (a) and  $R_2$  (b) relaxation measurements for teixobactin in DPC micelles (red crosses). Dashed blue lines indicate the best fits to a single decaying exponential. Data obtained at 700 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  Larmor frequency and a sample temperature of 25 °C.



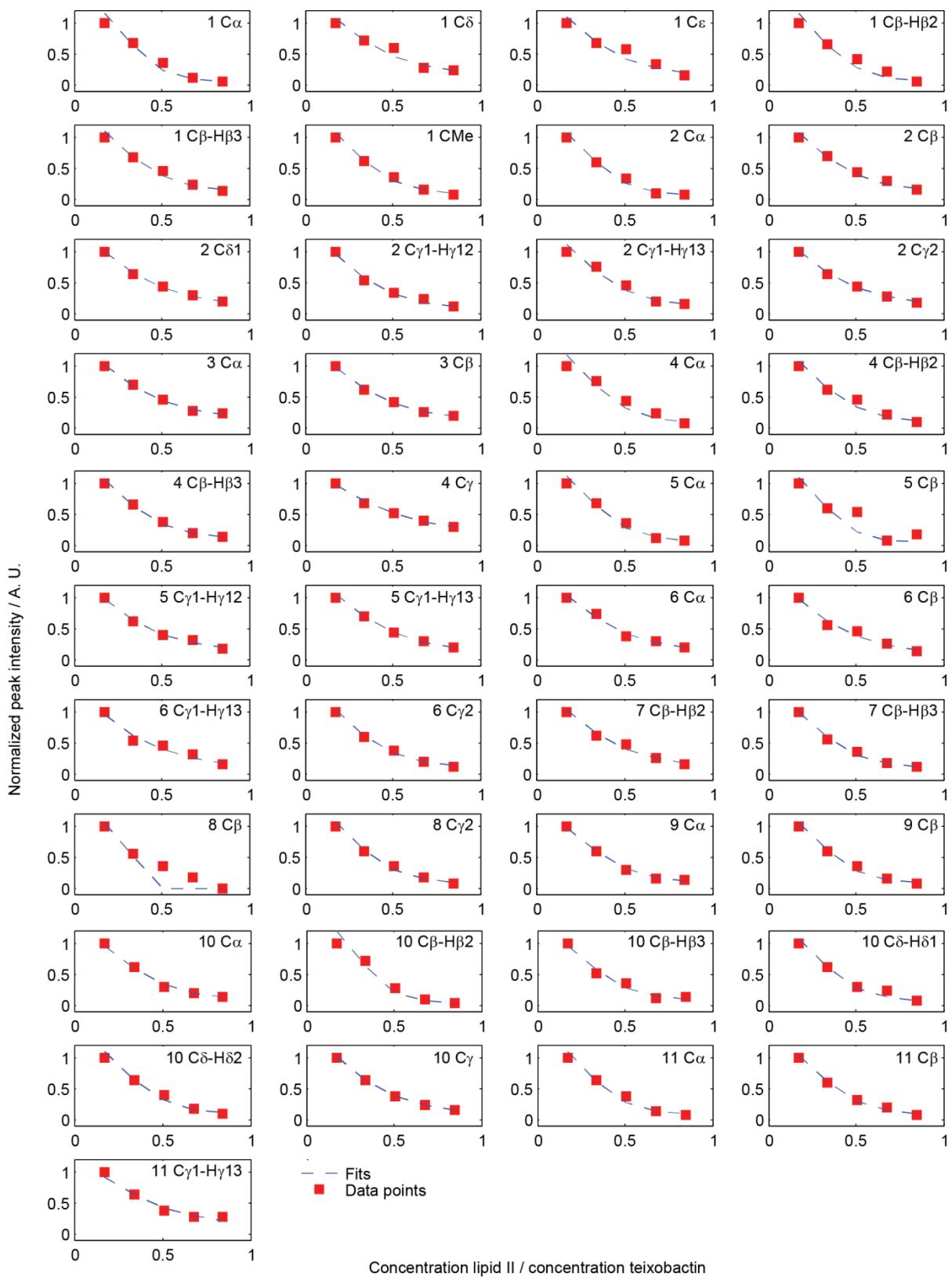
**Figure ES15.** Evolution of FRET signal in presence of lipid II-binding antibiotics. Data points represent mean values of 3 replicates. Error bars show standard deviation. The high HTRF (Homogeneous Time-Resolved Fluorescence) ratio is indicative of aggregation.



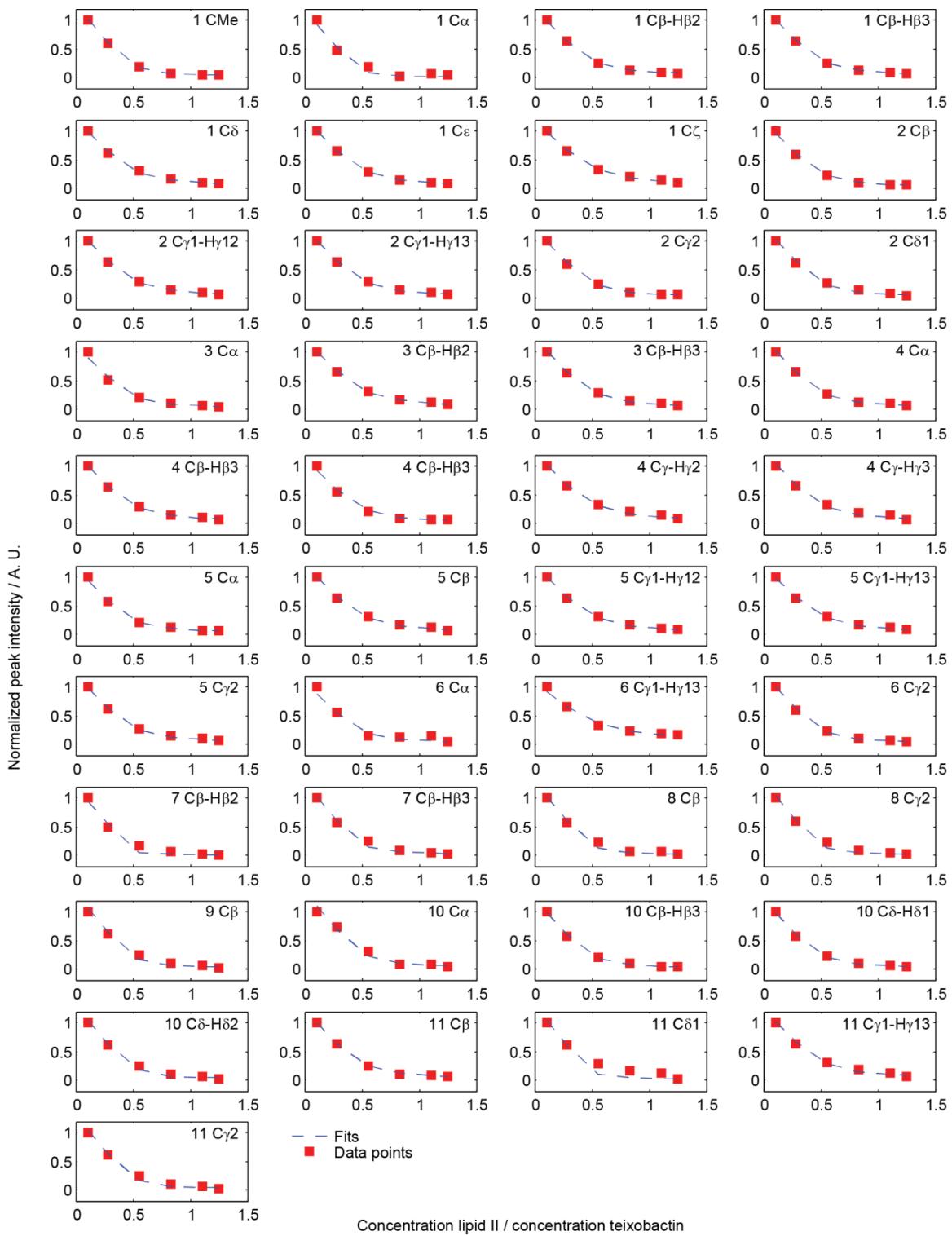
**Figure ESI6.**  $^1\text{H}$  detected cross-polarisation based 2D  $^1\text{H}$ - $^{13}\text{C}$  solid state NMR correlation spectrum of sedimented [ $\text{U}^{13}\text{C}$ - $^{15}\text{N}$ ]teixobactin in complex with natural abundance Gram-negative lipid II in DPC micelles. Data acquired at 600 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  Larmor frequency and 90 kHz magic angle spinning frequency.



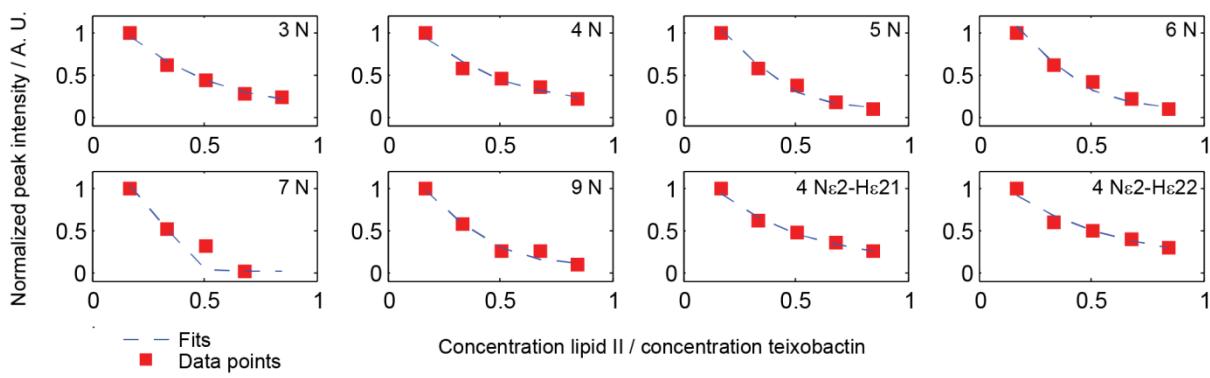
**Figure ESI7.** Overlay of 2D  $^1\text{H}$ - $^{15}\text{N}$  correlation spectra of [ $^{13}\text{C}$ - $^{15}\text{N}$ ]teixobactin in aqueous solution in DPC micelles (TXB<sub>DPC</sub>; red), [ $^{13}\text{C}$ - $^{15}\text{N}$ ]teixobactin in aqueous solution in the absence of DPC micelles (TXB<sub>aqueous</sub>; black) and solid-state sedimented complex of  $^{13}\text{C}$ - $^{15}\text{N}$ ]teixobactin with lipid II in the presence of DPC micelles (TXB<sub>lipid II</sub>; blue). Solution NMR data were acquired at a 700 MHz spectrometer and solid-state NMR data were obtained at 600 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  Larmor frequency and 90 kHz magic angle spinning frequency. The sedimented sample was prepared from a solution NMR sample used for titrations of teixobactin with lipid II.



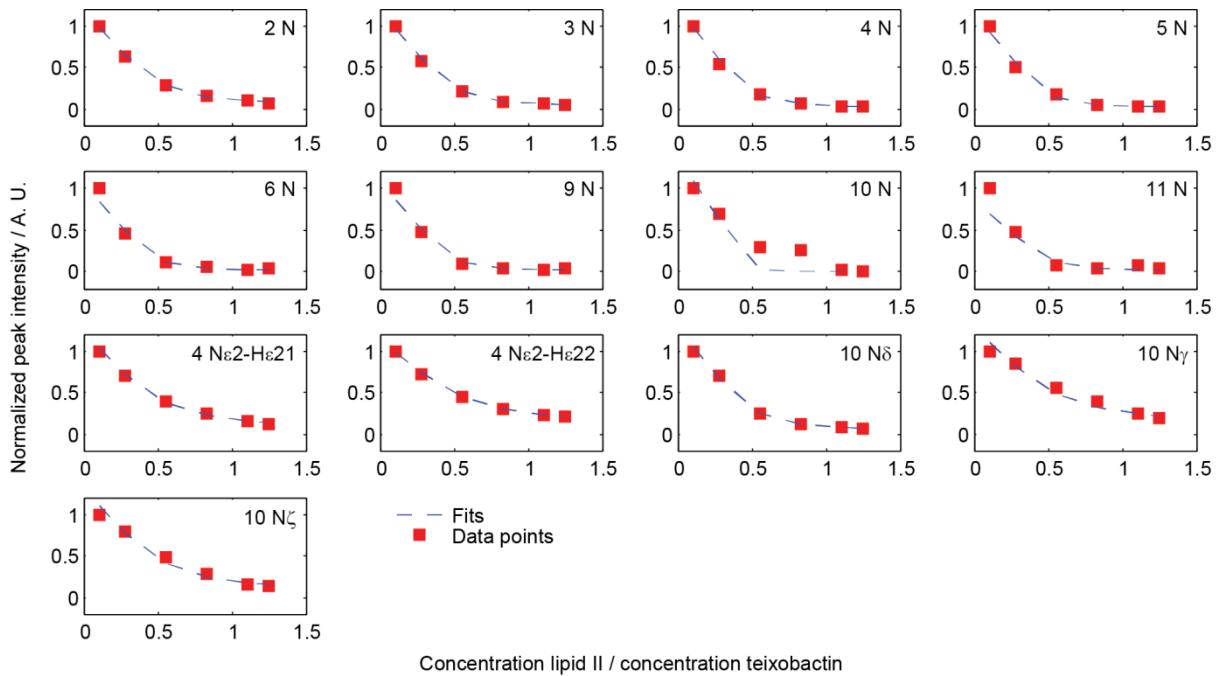
**Figure ESI8.** NMR titration of teixobactin with water soluble Gram-positive lipid II performed in aqueous solution. Red squares represent experimental data points. Dashed blue lines represent the best fits to equation 2 (see Methods section) assuming 2:1 binding of teixobactin to lipid II. The best fit values for local apparent  $K_d$  are given in SI table 4. The data were acquired using  $^1\text{H}$ - $^{13}\text{C}$  HSQC spectra at 700 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  Larmor frequency and a sample temperature of 25 °C.



**Figure ESI9.** NMR titration of teixobactin with Gram-negative lipid II in DPC micelles. Red squares represent experimental data points. Dashed blue lines represent the best fits to equation 2 (see Methods section) assuming 2:1 binding of teixobactin to lipid II. The best fit values for local apparent  $K_d$  are given in SI table 5. The data were acquired using  $^1\text{H}$ - $^{13}\text{C}$  HSQC spectra at 700 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  Larmor frequency and a sample temperature of 25 °C.



**Figure ESI10.** NMR titration of teixobactin with water soluble Gram-positive lipid II in aqueous solution. Red squares represent data points. Dashed blue lines represent the best fits to equation 2 (see Methods section) assuming 2:1 binding of teixobactin to lipid II. The best fit values for local apparent  $K_d$  are given in SI table 4. The data were acquired using  $^1\text{H}$ - $^{15}\text{N}$  SOFAST-HMQC spectra at 700 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  Larmor frequency and a sample temperature of 25 °C.



**Figure ESI11.** NMR titration of teixobactin with Gram-negative lipid II in DPC micelles. Red squares represent data points. Dashed blue lines represent the best fits to equation 2 (see Methods section) assuming 2:1 binding of teixobactin to lipid II. The best fit values for local apparent  $K_d$  are given in SI table 5. The data were acquired using  $^1\text{H}$ - $^{15}\text{N}$  SOFAST-HMQC spectra at 700 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  Larmor frequency and a sample temperature of 25 °C.

## Tables

**Table ESI1.** Details from structure calculation for teixobactin in DPC micelles, performed using UNIO ATNOS-CANDID<sup>2,3</sup> with CYANA<sup>4</sup> as molecular dynamics software.

Assigned cross-peaks	<sup>1</sup> H – <sup>15</sup> N 3D HSQC NOESY	<sup>1</sup> H – <sup>1</sup> H 2D NOESY
Total	126	377
Diagonal	0	0
Intraresidual ( $i = j$ )	52	197
Sequential ( $ i - j  = 1$ )	48	123
Medium range ( $1 <  i - j  < 5$ )	24	49
Long range ( $ i - j  \geq 5$ )	2	8
Distance restraints <sup>a</sup>		
Total	235	
Intraresidual ( $i = j$ )	69	
Sequential ( $ i - j  = 1$ )	96	
Medium range ( $1 <  i - j  < 5$ )	58	
Long range ( $ i - j  \geq 5$ )	12	
No. of restraints per residue	21	
Backbone RMSD	< 0.01 Å	
Heavy-atom RMSD	0.26 ± 0.07 Å	

<sup>a</sup> only meaningful, non-redundant distance restraints are reported

**Table ESI2.** <sup>15</sup>N backbone relaxation rates for teixobactin measured at 700 MHz <sup>1</sup>H Larmor frequency and a sample temperature of 25 °C.

Sample	TXB <sub>aqueous</sub>				TXB <sub>DPC</sub>				
	Residue	$R_1$ (s <sup>-1</sup> )	error	$R_2$ (s <sup>-1</sup> )	error	$R_2$ (s <sup>-1</sup> )	error	$R_2$ (s <sup>-1</sup> )	error
1									
2					1.720	0.007	9.597	0.043	
3	1.411	0.100	3.674	0.209	1.580	0.004	10.552	0.032	
4	1.448	0.097	3.289	0.188	1.541	0.004	8.454	0.027	
5	1.661	0.040	3.202	0.069	1.352	0.005	11.394	0.045	
6	1.778	0.049	3.280	0.088	1.319	0.005	12.935	0.073	
7	1.854	0.460	4.142	0.731					
8									
9	2.866	0.655	50.312	25.125	1.506	0.018	23.437	0.620	
10					1.526	0.114	10.393	0.958	
11					1.275	0.03	18.934	0.708	

**Table ESI3.** Correlation times ( $\tau_c$ ) estimated from the relaxation rates in SI table 2, using equation 1 in the Methods section or predicted from the NMR structure of teixobactin as monomer, dimer or trimer using HYDRONMR<sup>1</sup> (see SI figure 4).

Sample	TXB <sub>aqueous</sub>		TXB <sub>DPC</sub>		Predicted	
Residue	$\tau_c$ (ns)	error	$\tau_c$ (ns)	error	Model	$\tau_c$ (ns)
1					monomer-DPC	0.99
2			5.77	0.03	monomer-extended	1.32-1.99
3	3.29	0.30	6.45	0.03	dimer A	2.36
4	2.89	0.25	5.71	0.02	dimer B	1.62
5	2.40	0.08	7.40	0.04	dimer C	1.97
6	2.26	0.09	8.07	0.06	dimer D	1.72
7	2.84	0.87			trimer E	2.96
8					trimer F	3.12
9	11.12	6.11	10.42	0.30		
10			6.53	0.77		
11			10.16	0.45		

**Table ESI4.** Local apparent  $K_d$  values obtained by fitting the data from titration of teixobactin with water soluble Gram-positive lipid II in aqueous solution, to equation 2 (Methods section). 2:1 binding of teixobactin to lipid II is assumed.

Peak	$K_d$ ( $\mu\text{M}$ )	error	Res	$K_d$ ( $\mu\text{M}$ )	error
1C <sup>Me</sup>	6.08	0.38	6N	7.35	1.27
1C <sup>a</sup>	3.22	1.81	6C <sup>B</sup>	2.78	5.35
1C <sup>B</sup>	10.71	3.12	6C <sup>y1</sup>	24.47	6.91
1C <sup>B</sup>	4.36	3.18	7N	0.15	0.90
1C <sup>δa</sup>	19.77	10.51	7C <sup>a</sup>	17.15	4.40
1C <sup>εa</sup>	15.15	6.54	7C <sup>B</sup>	14.33	3.36
2C <sup>B</sup>	6.51	3.02	7C <sup>B</sup>	8.13	1.92
2C <sup>y1</sup>	16.72	5.33	8C <sup>B</sup>	0.15	0.13
2C <sup>y2</sup>	9.38	0.77	8C <sup>y</sup>	6.04	0.61
3N	22.40	4.24	9N	7.98	3.09
3C <sup>a</sup>	19.36	3.94	9C <sup>a</sup>	9.22	3.41
3C <sup>B</sup>	17.29	1.21	9C <sup>B</sup>	5.79	0.48
4N	25.58	4.54	10C <sup>a</sup>	10.54	4.74
4C <sup>a</sup>	5.73	2.16	10C <sup>B</sup>	7.33	3.68
4C <sup>B</sup>	9.26	3.49	10C <sup>B</sup>	1.94	2.37
4C <sup>B</sup>	8.26	2.89	10C <sup>y</sup>	12.34	3.40
4C <sup>y</sup>	34.94	6.02	10C <sup>δ</sup>	4.92	1.78
4N <sup>ε2</sup>	39.86	4.73	10C <sup>δ</sup>	6.86	1.85
4N <sup>ε2</sup>	29.74	3.16	11C <sup>a</sup>	5.49	1.70
5N	7.24	1.09	11C <sup>B</sup>	12.75	5.41
5C <sup>a</sup>	4.73	2.60	11C <sup>y1</sup>	9.52	3.74
5C <sup>B</sup>	13.73	3.74	11C <sup>y1</sup>	10.79	5.18
5C <sup>y1</sup>	17.70	5.01	11C <sup>y2</sup>	16.33	0.61
5C <sup>y1</sup>	17.27	4.89	11C <sup>δ1</sup>	18.09	0.91

<sup>a</sup> assignments for the aromatics are ambiguous

**Table ES15.** Local apparent  $K_d$  values obtained by fitting the data from titration of teixobactin with Gram-negative lipid II in DPC micelles to equation 2 (Methods section). 2:1 binding of teixobactin to lipid II is assumed.

Peak	$K_d$ ( $\mu\text{M}$ )	error	Peak	$K_d$ ( $\mu\text{M}$ )	error
1C <sup>Me</sup>	40.40	0.91	5C <sup>B</sup>	125.47	13.44
1C <sup>A</sup>	19.51	16.16	5C <sup>γ1</sup>	129.87	8.75
1C <sup>B</sup>	109.17	17.40	5C <sup>γ1</sup>	136.43	12.76
1C <sup>B</sup>	93.81	12.50	5C <sup>γ2</sup>	101.21	1.79
1C <sup>δ</sup>	125.63	35.51	6N	37.43	17.83
1C <sup>ε</sup>	129.70	19.68	6C <sup>A</sup>	74.13	23.57
1C <sup>ζ</sup>	189.04	52.89	6C <sup>γ1</sup>	287.36	18.66
2N	132.80	14.31	6C <sup>γ2</sup>	64.31	1.86
2C <sup>B</sup>	84.32	14.86	7C <sup>B</sup>	6.13	7.11
2C <sup>γ1</sup>	114.68	17.62	7C <sup>B</sup>	35.97	23.77
2C <sup>γ1</sup>	110.62	11.82	8C <sup>B</sup>	25.69	25.46
2C <sup>γ2</sup>	78.74	1.24	8C <sup>γ2</sup>	26.38	2.78
2C <sup>δ1</sup>	81.30	1.66	9 N	35.89	19.97
3N	75.76	9.07	9C <sup>B</sup>	46.13	2.38
3C <sup>A</sup>	70.77	17.93	10N	2.65	62.07
3C <sup>B</sup>	136.05	6.72	10C <sup>A</sup>	64.02	15.16
3C <sup>B</sup>	103.31	6.40	10C <sup>B</sup>	60.64	50.01
4N	42.68	7.21	10C <sup>δ</sup>	69.20	15.56
4C <sup>A</sup>	98.62	16.73	10C <sup>δ</sup>	47.13	10.10
4C <sup>B</sup>	116.41	13.34	10N <sup>γ</sup>	377.36	86.42
4C <sup>B</sup>	90.50	14.99	10N <sup>δ</sup>	96.62	23.15
4C <sup>γ</sup>	147.93	7.80	10N <sup>ζ</sup>	239.23	50.74
4C <sup>γ</sup>	127.06	7.58	11N	52.47	62.05
4N <sup>ε2</sup>	230.41	11.68	11C <sup>B</sup>	93.28	50.38
4N <sup>ε2</sup>	423.73	21.15	11C <sup>γ1</sup>	123.00	11.80
5N	44.39	16.15	11C <sup>γ2</sup>	43.69	1.31
5C <sup>A</sup>	85.25	18.97	11C <sup>δ1</sup>	19.92	1.79

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