

Supporting Information

Figure 1. Lysine dependent folding at the ambient pressure obtained from smFRET (A) diffusing and (B) surface tether experiments. Data of fraction folded and k_{fold} are fit to the Hill equation with floating Hill coefficients $n = 0.93(16)$ and $1.12(17)$, respectively, consistent with the expected ligand binding stoichiometry from crystal structure data. In smFRET diffusing experiments, the max folded fraction is observed as $0.63(6)$ at saturating [lysine]. In surface tether experiments where the lysine-dependent folding and unfolding rates can be obtained by prolonged observation of the fluorescence signals from a single construct at a time, the k_{unfold} is found independent of [lysine] as $0.213(14) \text{ s}^{-1}$ and the k_{fold} is determined as $1.51(13) \text{ s}^{-1}$ at saturating [lysine], leading to the steady state folded fraction as $0.88(9)$. The difference in fraction folded ($29(8) \%$) between the diffusing and surface tether measurements is made up by the subpopulation of constructs that are incapable of folding ($28(4) \%$) from the previous raster scanned image.

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