

Supplementary Information

Structural Characteristics of Oligomers formed by Pyroglutamate-Modified Amyloid β Peptides Studied by Solid- State NMR

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Scheme S1: Overview of the $^{13}\text{C}/^{15}\text{N}$ -labeled amino acids in the different peptides used in this study. The labeled amino acids are shown in red:

pE3-A β (3-40):

- 1) pEFRHDSGY EVHHQKLVFF AEDVGSNKGA IIGLMVGGVW
- 2) pEFRHDSGY EVHHQKLVFF AEDVGSNKGA IIGLMVGGVW
- 3) pEFRHDSGY EVHHQKLVFF AEDVGSNKGA IIGLMVGGVW

pE11-A β (11-40):

- 1) pEVHHQKLVFF AEDVGSNKGA IIGLMVGGVW
- 2) pEVHHQKLVFF AEDVGSNKGA IIGLMVGGVW
- 3) pEVHHQKLVFF AEDVGSNKGA IIGLMVGGVW
- 4) pEVHHQKLVFF AEDVGSNKGA IIGLMVGGVW

Table S1 Isotropic chemical shifts (relative to TMS) for pE₃-A β (3-40) Oligomers

| Amino Acid | C α / ppm | C β / ppm | C=O/ ppm | C γ / ppm | C δ / ppm | C ϵ / ppm | N/ ppm |
|------------|------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------|
| Phe 4 | 54.1 | 36.1/39.7 | 173.1 | | | | n.d. |
| Asp 7 | 50.5 | 38.8 | 172.0 | | | | n.d. |
| Ser 8 | 55.5/56.3 | 62.4/61.9 | 171.3 | | | | 120.1 |
| Gly 9 | 42.4 | | 170.0 | | | | n.d. |
| Glu 11 | 53.3 | 31.7 | 172.4 | 33.6 | 180.6 | | n.d. |
| Val 12 | 58.8 | 31.3/29.9 | 173.0 | 19.4 | | | n.d. |
| Phe 19 | 54.3 | 40.2 | 172.7 | | | | 118.7 |
| Glu 22 | 51.7 | 29.9 | 171.8 | 31.2 | n.d. | | 124.2 |
| Gly 29 | 44.1/42.9 ¹ | | 169.1 | | | | n.d. |
| Ile 31 | 57.7/57.1 ¹ | 39.4 | 172.0 | 25.2 | 15.0 | 10.8 | n.d. |
| Leu 34 | 51.6 | 44.4 | 172.0 | 24.2 | 22.1 | | 120.0 |
| Val 36 | 57.7 | 33.2 | 172.2 | 19.0 | | | n.d. |

¹ two signals observed, strongest signal listed first, n.d.-not detected due to insufficient signal to noise

Table S2 Isotropic chemical shifts (relative to TMS) for pE₁₁-A β (11-40) Oligomers

| Amino Acid | C α / ppm | C β / ppm | C=O/ ppm | C γ / ppm | C δ / ppm | C ϵ / ppm | N/ ppm |
|------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| pGlu 11 | 57.1 | 26.0 | 174.4 | 30.2 | 182.0 | | 125.3 |
| Val 12 | 58.6/60.3 | 30.3/31.4 | 172.7 | 19.2 | | | n.d. |
| Leu 17 | 52.2 | 44.1 | 172.8 | 24.0 | 24.0 | | 114.1 |
| Phe 19 | 53.6 | 44.0 | n.r. | | | | 124.2 |
| Ala 21 | 48.4 | 20.7 | n.r. | | | | n.d. |
| Glu 22 | 52.7 | 31.8 | 173.6 | 33.1 | 181.6 | | 117.7 |
| Asp 23 | 51.8 | 40.0 | 173.3 | 179.2/177.7 | | | 124.1 |
| Gly 25 | 42.8 | | 170.4 | | | | 110.3 |
| Lys 28 | 54.0 | 34.3 | 174.4 | 23.0 | 28.4 | 39.2 | 119.7 |
| Gly 29 | 43.0 | | 169.9 | | | | 109.0/106.7 ¹ |
| Ile 31 | 58.1 | 40.2 | 172.3 | 26.1 | 15.4 | 12.1 | 114.3 |
| Gly 33 | 43.2 | | 168.6 | | | | 111.9 |
| Leu 34 | 51.4 | 44.0 | n.r. | 24.5 | 25.0 | | 117.2 |
| Gly 37 | 42.9 | | 170.0 | | | | n.d. |
| Val 39 | 59.1 | 28.7 | 172.3/173.7 | 19.2 | | | 112.5 |

¹ two signals observed, strongest signal listed first, n.d.-not detected due to insufficient signal to noise, n.r. –not resolved in 2D spectrum

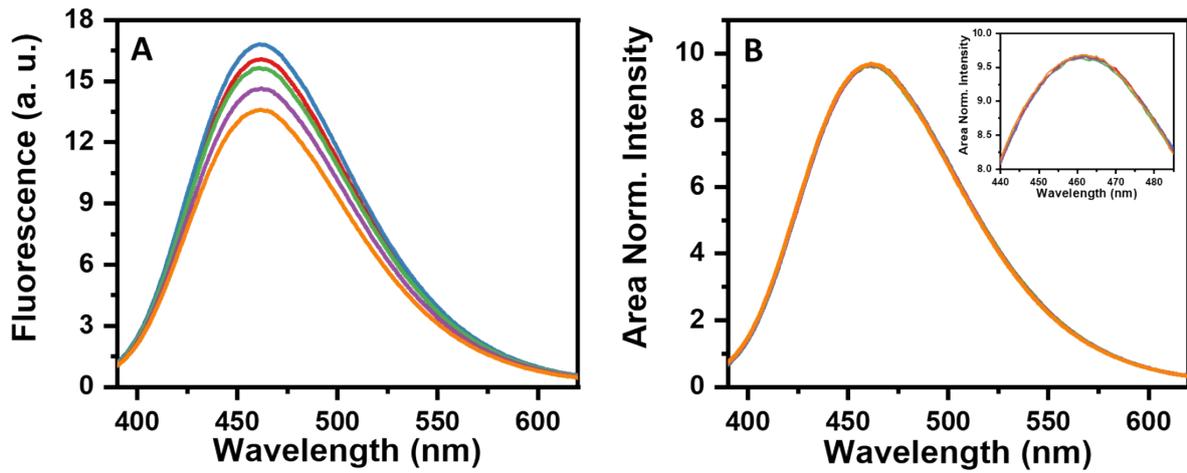


Figure S1: Fluorescence emission of TPE-TPP as a function of time, when incubated with WT-A β (1-40). (A) shows the emission spectra at 5 different time points, at an interval of 30 mins, t = 0 (red), 30 mins (blue), 1 hr (green), 1.5 hrs (purple) and 2 hours (orange). (B) Same data as in panel A, area normalized, inset shows the zoomed in version of (B).

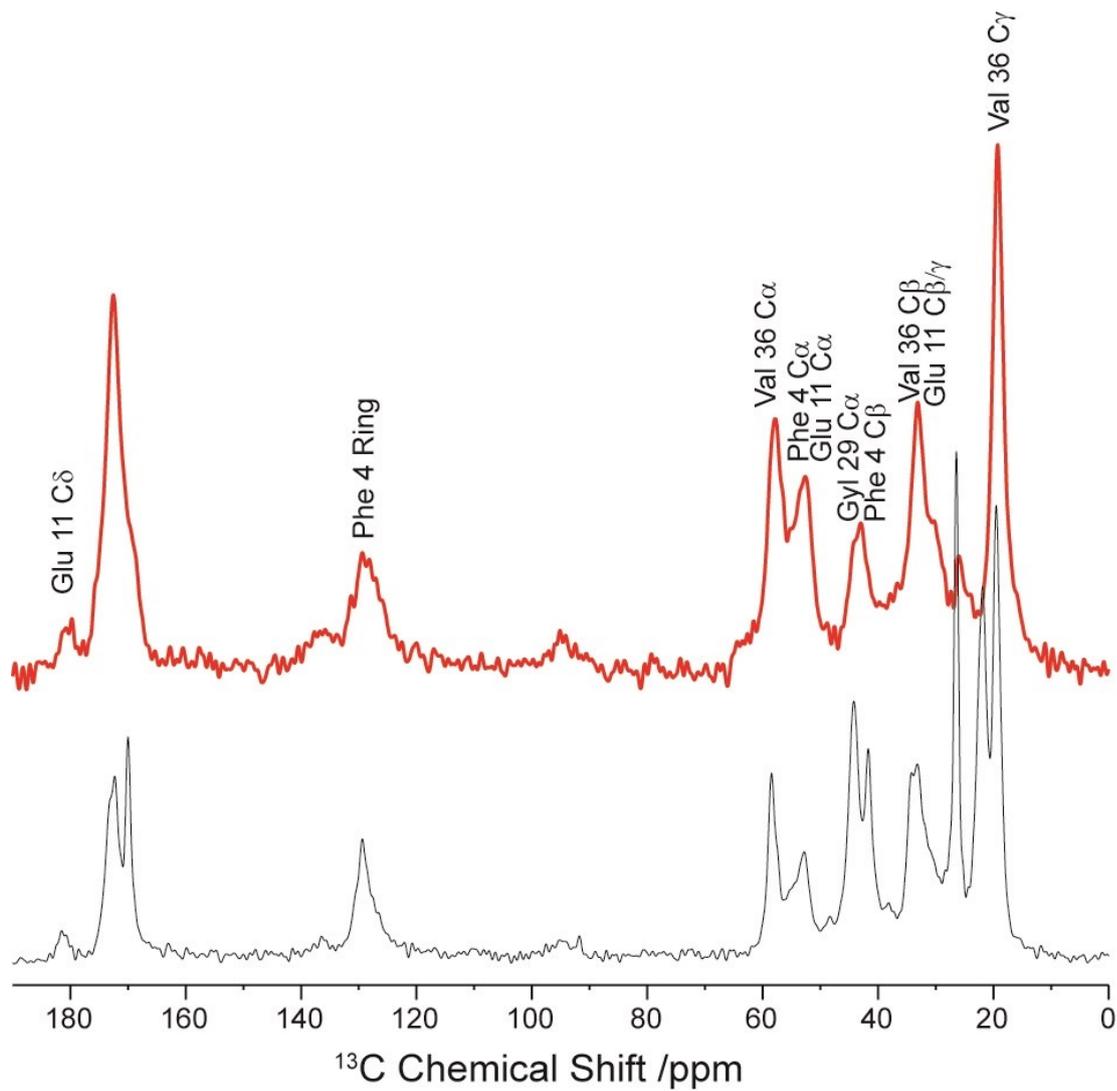


Figure S2: Example of the ^{13}C CP MAS NMR spectra of oligomers (above) and mature fibrils (below) of pE₃-A β (3-40) peptide II at a MAS frequency of 11777 Hz and a temperature of 30°C. The spectrum of the mature fibrils was taken from [1].

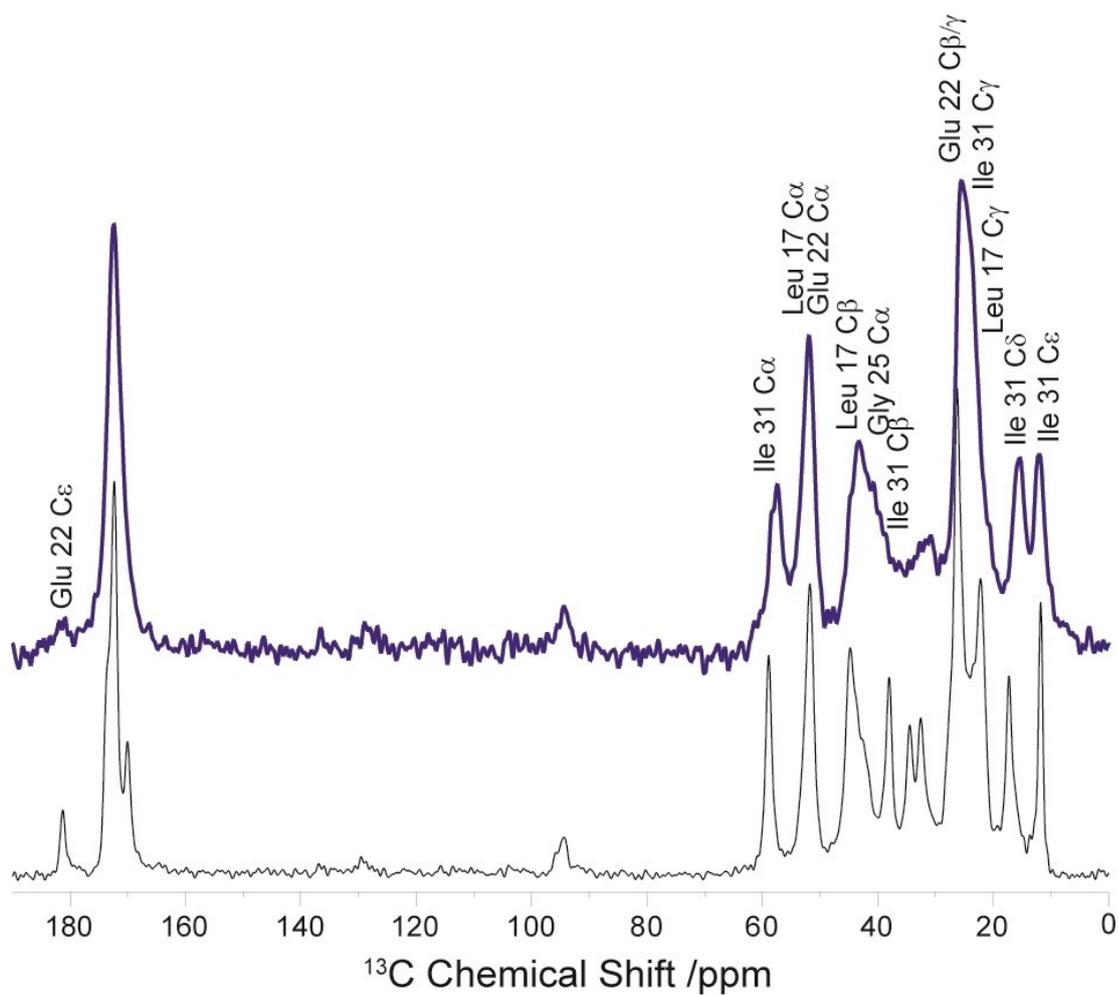


Figure S3: Example of the ^{13}C CP MAS NMR spectra of oligomers (above) and mature fibrils (below) of pE₁₁-A β (11-40) peptide V at a MAS frequency of 11777 Hz and a temperature of 30°C. The spectrum of the mature fibrils was taken from [2].

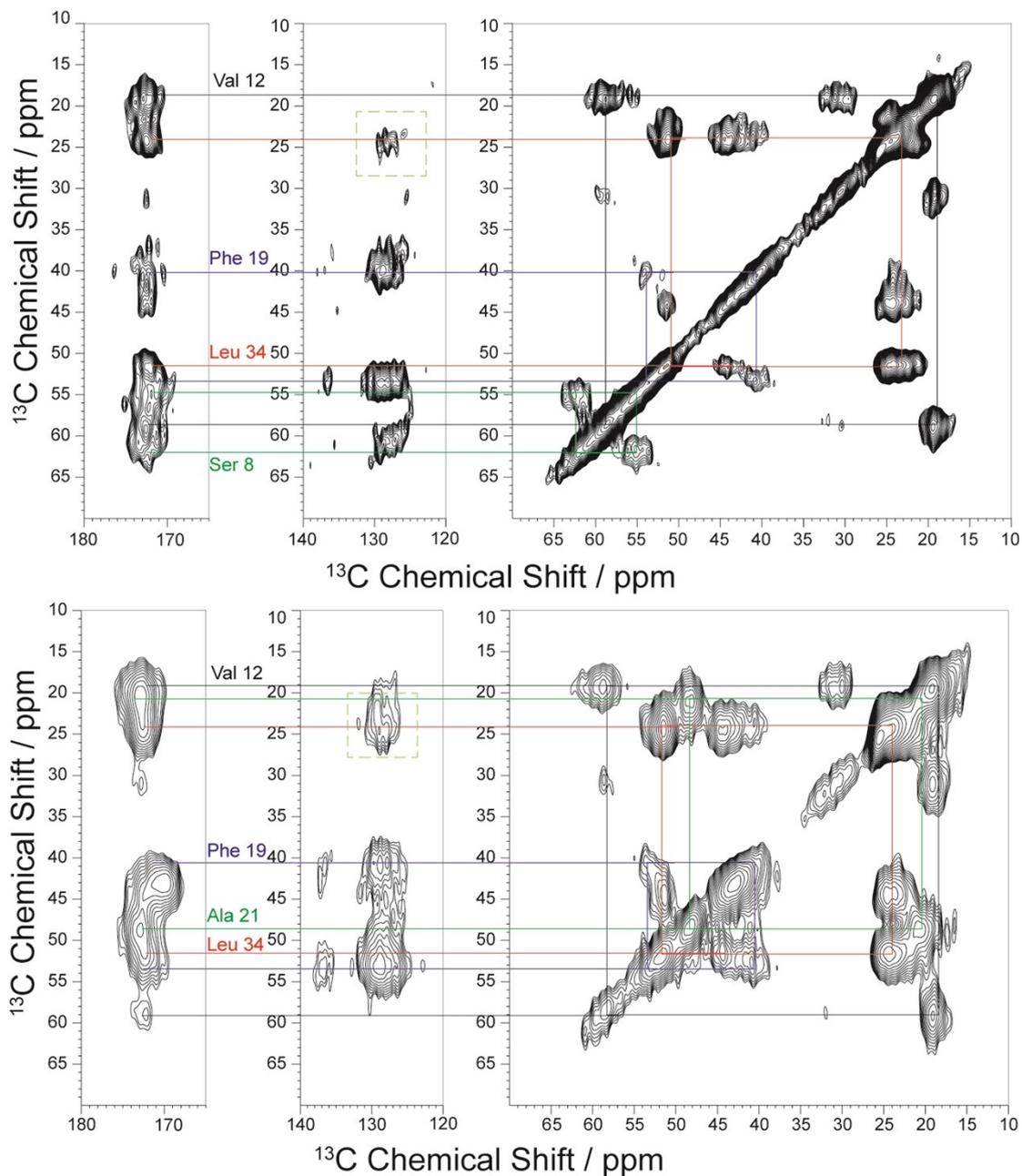


Figure S4: ^{13}C - ^{13}C DARR MAS NMR spectra of oligomers of pGlu₃-A β (3-40) peptide I (above) and pGlu₁₁-A β (11-40) peptide IV (below) with a DARR mixing time of 500 ms at a MAS frequency of 11,777 Hz and a temperature of 30°C with the respective assignment. The green boxes indicate interresidual crosspeaks between Phe₁₉ and Leu₃₄.

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