Nanobody Paratope Mapping using Native Mass Spectrometry and Ultraviolet Photodissociation

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Figure S1. Native MS1 mass spectra of apo nanobodies and the apo antigens. (A) free Gnb and (B) free GFP; (C) free Rnb and (D) free RNAseA; (E) free Anb and (B) free PPA. Each solution contained 30 uM protein in 100 mM ammonium acetate.



Figure S2. UVPD (1 pulse set to 3 mJ) mass spectra of each of the three nanobodies. (A) free Gnb (7+), (B) free Rnb (6+), and (C) free Anb (6+). Regions of interest with low abundance sequence fragments are magnified. Precursor ions are demarcated with a star.

A Free Gnb (7+, 14.0 kDa)

B Free Rnb (6+, 14.1 kDa)

C Free Anb (6+, 14.1 kDa)

Gnb•GFP (13+, 41.8 kDa)

N ALQ VLQLL V ELSIGIGALLVQPGGGSLIRLSICAA 25
26]S]G]F P]V]N]R Y S M]R]W]Y]R]Q]A]P G K E R]E W]V]A 50
51 G M]S S A]G D R S S Y]E D S V K G R]F]T I S R D D 75
76 A R[N]T V]YLLQ]M]N S L]K]P]E]D]LA]V Y]YLC]N]V[N 100
101[V]G[F]E]Y]W]GQ]G[T]Q[V]T]V]S[S]K]L]E]H]H]H]H]H]H

Rnb•RNAseA (11+, 27.8 kDa)

$$\label{eq:states} \begin{split} & \mathsf{A}[\mathsf{Q}[\mathsf{V}[\mathsf{Q} \ \mathsf{L} \ \mathsf{V} \ \mathsf{E}[\mathsf{S}[\mathsf{G} \ \mathsf{G} \ \mathsf{G} \ \mathsf{L} \ \mathsf{V}]\mathsf{A}]\mathsf{G}[\mathsf{G}]\mathsf{S}]\mathsf{L}]\mathsf{R}[\mathsf{L}]\mathsf{S}]\mathsf{C}]\mathsf{A}[\mathsf{A}] & \mathsf{A}^{25} \\ & \mathsf{26}[\mathsf{S}]\mathsf{G}]\mathsf{Y}]\mathsf{A} \ \mathsf{Y}]\mathsf{T}]\mathsf{Y}]\mathsf{I} \ \mathsf{Y} \ \mathsf{M}[\mathsf{G}]\mathsf{W} \ \mathsf{F}]\mathsf{R}]\mathsf{Q}]\mathsf{A} \ \mathsf{P}]\mathsf{G} \ \mathsf{K} \ \mathsf{E}]\mathsf{R}]\mathsf{E} \ \mathsf{G}]\mathsf{V}]\mathsf{A} \ \mathsf{50} \\ & \mathsf{51}]\mathsf{A} \ \mathsf{M}]\mathsf{D}]\mathsf{S} \ \mathsf{G} \ \mathsf{G} \ \mathsf{G}]\mathsf{G}]\mathsf{T}]\mathsf{L} \ \mathsf{Y}]\mathsf{A} \ \mathsf{D}]\mathsf{S} \ \mathsf{V} \ \mathsf{K} \ \mathsf{G} \ \mathsf{R} \ \mathsf{F}]\mathsf{T} \ \mathsf{I} \ \mathsf{S} \ \mathsf{R}]\mathsf{D} \ \mathsf{K} \ \mathsf{S} \\ & \mathsf{51}]\mathsf{A} \ \mathsf{M}]\mathsf{D}]\mathsf{S} \ \mathsf{G} \ \mathsf{G} \ \mathsf{G}]\mathsf{G}]\mathsf{G}]\mathsf{T}[\mathsf{L} \ \mathsf{Y}]\mathsf{A} \ \mathsf{D}]\mathsf{S} \ \mathsf{V} \ \mathsf{K} \ \mathsf{G} \ \mathsf{R} \ \mathsf{F}]\mathsf{T} \ \mathsf{I} \ \mathsf{S} \ \mathsf{R}]\mathsf{D} \ \mathsf{K} \ \mathsf{K} \\ & \mathsf{75} \\ & \mathsf{76}[\mathsf{G} \ \mathsf{K} \ \mathsf{N} \ \mathsf{T} \ \mathsf{V} \ \mathsf{Y} \ \mathsf{L} \ \mathsf{Q} \ \mathsf{M} \ \mathsf{D} \ \mathsf{S} \ \mathsf{L} \ \mathsf{K}[\mathsf{P}[\mathsf{E}]\mathsf{D}]\mathsf{L}[\mathsf{L}[\mathsf{L}]\mathsf{T} \ \mathsf{Y}]\mathsf{Y}[\mathsf{C}]\mathsf{C}]\mathsf{A}[\mathsf{A}] \\ & \mathsf{101} \\ & \mathsf{101}[\mathsf{G}]\mathsf{V}[\mathsf{E}[\mathsf{L}[\mathsf{L}[\mathsf{R}[\mathsf{D}[\mathsf{R}]\mathsf{T}]]\mathsf{T}]\mathsf{V}]\mathsf{G}]\mathsf{Q}]\mathsf{W}[\mathsf{G}]\mathsf{Q}[\mathsf{G}]\mathsf{G}[\mathsf{T}[\mathsf{Q}]\mathsf{V}]\mathsf{T}[\mathsf{V}]\mathsf{T}[\mathsf{V}]\mathsf{S}]\mathsf{S}]\mathsf{L}]\mathsf{E}]\mathsf{H} \ \mathsf{125} \\ & \mathsf{126}[\mathsf{H}] \ \mathsf{H} \ \mathsf{H}]\mathsf{H} \ \mathsf{H} \ \mathsf{H} \ \mathsf{C} \end{split}$$

Anb•PPA (15+, 69.3 kDa)

N A Q[V[Q[L[V E S[G[G G S[V[Q]A]G]G]S[L]S]L]S]L]S]C]A]A ²⁵ ²⁶[S T Y]T]D T V]G]W]F R]Q]A[P[G]K E]R]E]G]V A A I]Y ⁵⁰ ⁵¹ R R]T G Y]T]Y S]A D S V K G R]F T L S Q D[N N K N ⁷⁵ ⁷⁶ T]V Y L Q M N S L K[P E D T G I]Y Y[C[A]T[G]N[S[V ¹⁰⁰ ¹⁰¹ R L A S W]E[G[Y]F]Y]W[G Q]G]T]Q]V]T]V]S]S L E H]H ¹²⁵ ¹²⁶[H]H]H]H \subset

Figure S3. Backbone cleavage maps for apo and antigen-bound (A) Gnb, (B) Rnb, and (C) Anb, displaying backbone cleavages that result in assignable sequence ions detected at least twice across five replicates. Backbone cleavages are demarcated by colored flags. Blue flags indicate b/y fragments, green flags indicate a/x fragments, and red flags indicate c/z fragments. Precursor charge and mass are indicated in parentheses.



Figure S4. Suppression and enhancement of backbone cleavage sites based on abundances of UVPD fragment ions induced for Gnb by antigen binding. Heat plots display significant differences (p < 0.05, n = 5) for the abundances of each UVPD fragment type between the free and bound states. Blue and red indicate suppression and enhancement of fragment abundances, respectively, for the nanobody upon complexation. Positions that display no significant change are shown in grey. Color maps highlighting interface residues and CDRs are also included. Δ UVPD values correspond to the fragment abundance per residue for the bound state minus the fragment abundance per residue for the bound state minus the fragment abundance per residue for the fragment abundance per residue for the bound state minus the fragment abundance per residue for the fragment abundance per residue for the bound state minus the fragment abundance per residue for the fragment abundance per residue for the bound state minus the fragment abundance per residue for the fragment abundance per residue for the bound state minus the fragment abundance per residue for the fragment abundance per residue for the bound state minus the fragment abundance per residue for the bound state minus the fragment abundance per residue for th



Figure S5. Suppression and enhancement of backbone cleavage sites based on abundances of UVPD fragment ions induced for Rnb by antigen binding. Heat plots display significant differences (p < 0.05, n = 5) for the abundances of each UVPD fragment type between the free and bound states. Blue and red indicate suppression and enhancement of fragment abundances, respectively, for the nanobody upon complexation. Positions that display no significant change are shown in grey. Color maps highlighting interface residues and CDRs are also included. Δ UVPD values correspond to the fragment abundance per residue for the bound state minus the fragment abundance per residue for the free state.



Figure S6. Suppression and enhancement of backbone cleavage sites based on abundances of UVPD fragment ions induced for Anb by antigen binding. Heat plots display significant differences (p < 0.05, n = 5) for the abundances of each UVPD fragment type between the free and bound states. Blue and red indicate suppression and enhancement of fragment abundances, respectively, for the nanobody upon complexation. Positions that display no significant change are shown in grey. Color maps highlighting interface residues and CDRs are also included. Δ UVPD values correspond to the fragment abundance per residue for the bound state minus the fragment abundance per residue for the fragment abundance per residue for the bound state minus the fragment abundance per residue for the fragment abundance per residue for the bound state minus the fragment abundance per residue for the fragment abundance per residue for the bound state minus the fragment abundance per residue for the fragment abundance per residue for the bound state minus the fragment abundance per residue for the fragment abundance per residue for the bound state minus the fragment abundance per residue for the fragment abundance per residue for the bound state minus the fragment abundance per residue for the fragment abundance p



Figure S7. Sections displaying significant UVPD enhancement upon complexation (p < 0.001, n = 0.05) are mapped onto the crystal structure of Rnb•RNAseA as purple spheres. Residue positions displaying significant UVPD enhancement, interface residues, and CDR regions are shown as color maps.



Figure S8. CDR regions in red are mapped onto crystal structures of (A) Gnb, (B) Rnb, and (C) Anb. The UVPD backbone cleavage maps from Figure 3 are shown in the lower portion of the figure to facilitate comparisons.



Figure S9. Weighted average charge of *a*-type and *x*-type fragment ions attributed to GFnb produced by UVPD of (A) free GFnb (7+) and (B) GFnb•GFP (13+) delineated based on the backbone cleavage site along the sequence of the nanobody.



Figure S10. Weighted average charge of *a*-type and *x*-type fragment ions attributed to Anb produced by UVPD of (A) free Anb (6+) and (B) Anb•PPA (15+), delineated based on the backbone cleavage site along the sequence of the nanobody.