

Supporting Information

Chiral Adaptive Recognition with Sequence Specificity of Aromatic Dipeptides in Aqueous Solution by an Achiral Cage

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1. General Experimental Details.

Starting materials were purchased from commercial suppliers were used without further purification. NMR spectra were recorded on a spectrometer operating at 400 MHz spectra on Bruker ascend spectrometer and JEOL 600 spectrometer. UV/vis spectra were done on Agilent Cary-100 spectrometer. Fluorescence spectra were performed by using a Horiba Fluorolog-3 spectrometer. Isothermal titration calorimetry (ITC) was carried out using a VP-ITC (Malvern) at 25 °C, and computer fitting of the data were performed using the VP-ITC analyze software. The Circular dichroism (CD) spectra were recorded on a J-1500 spectropolarimeter, using a 1 cm quartz cuvette. Circularly polarized luminescence (CPL) spectra were measured on JASCO CPL-300 spectrophotometers. X-ray diffraction data collection of the compounds were recorded by Bruker D8 Venture photon II diffractometer.

X-ray data of **1** and **1**⊃(*L*-PhePhe)₂

Table S1. Crystal Data for *PM-1*, *PP/MM-1* and **1**⊃(*L*-PhePhe)₂

Parameters	<i>PM-1</i>	<i>PP/MM-1</i>	1 ⊃(<i>L</i> -PhePhe) ₂
Empirical formula	C ₂₄₄ H ₃₅₂ Cl ₈ N ₈ O ₄₈	C ₁₂₄ H ₉₆ Cl ₈ N ₈	C ₁₆₀ H ₁₃₄ Br ₆ N ₁₂ O ₆
Formula weight	4448.92	1981.68	2800.24
Temperature (K)	100(2)	90	173(2)
Wavelength (Å)	1.34138	1.34138	1.34139
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Orthorhombic	Monoclinic
Space group	<i>C12/m1</i>	<i>I222</i>	<i>C2</i>
<i>a</i> , (Å)	28.8074(18)	18.7340(7)	39.987(3)
<i>b</i> , (Å)	21.7271(18)	21.4715(8)	16.180(2)
<i>c</i> , (Å)	19.0790(19)	66.271(3)	29.951(4)
<i>α</i> , (°)	90	90	90
<i>β</i> , (°)	131.248(6)	90	121.416(4)
<i>γ</i> , (°)	90	90	90

$V(\text{\AA}^3)$	8978.4(14)	26657.3(18)	16537(3)
Z	2	6	4
$\rho_{\text{calcd}}(\text{g/cm}^3)$	1.646	0.741	1.125
$\mu(\text{mm}^{-1})$	1.283	0.930	1.421
$F(000)$	4784	6192	5744
Crystal size (mm^3)	$0.09 \times 0.04 \times 0.03$	$0.22 \times 0.20 \times 0.18$	$0.22 \times 0.20 \times 0.18$
θ range for data collection ($^\circ$)	2.506 to 50.494	1.882 to 52.998	1.950 to 55.315
	$-33 \leq h \leq 33$	$-20 \leq h \leq 22$	$-47 \leq h \leq 48$
Limiting indices	$-24 \leq k \leq 24$	$-25 \leq k \leq 21$	$-19 \leq k \leq 19$
	$-20 \leq l \leq 21$	$-78 \leq l \leq 78$	$-36 \leq l \leq 36$
Reflections collected	9883	9857	9979
Data/restraints/parameters	7226/12/337	23569/1485/899	31270/25/1657
Goodness-of-fit	1.079	1.279	1.034
$R1, wR2 (I > 2\sigma(I))$	0.0909, 0.2798	0.1160, 0.3104	0.0420, 0.1160
$R1, wR2$ (all data)	0.1030, 0.2885	0.1362, 0.3424	0.0440, 0.1169
Largest diff. peak and hole, $e \text{\AA}^{-3}$	0.359 and -0.345	1.187 and -0.412	0.741 and -0.676
CCDC	2100784	2100668	2155590

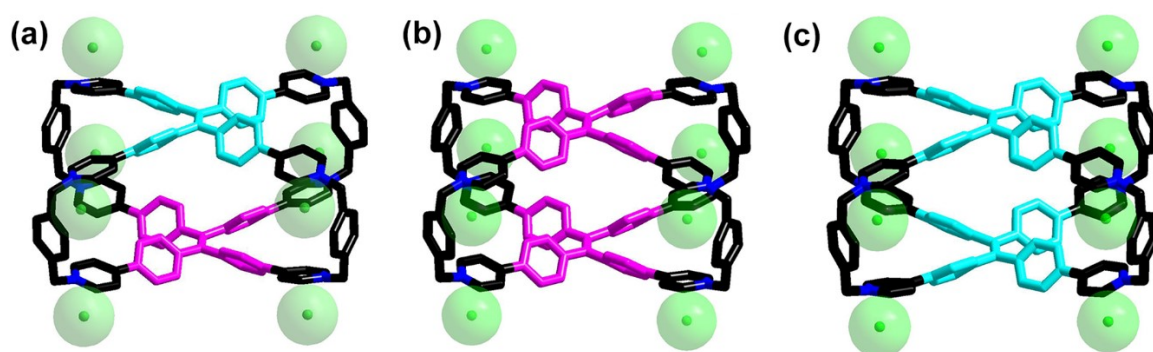


Figure S1. X-ray structures of (a) *PM-1*, (b) *MM-1*, and (c) *PP-1*.

2. Recognition of Amino Acids

2.1 UV-vis and circular dichroism experiments

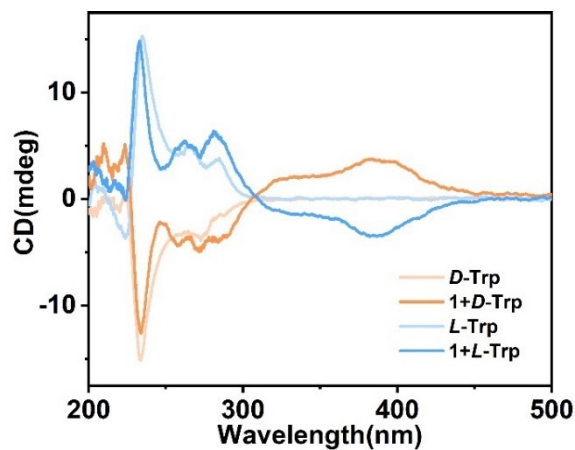


Figure S2. CD spectra of **1** (0.10 mM) with 30.0 equiv of *D/L*-Trp in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

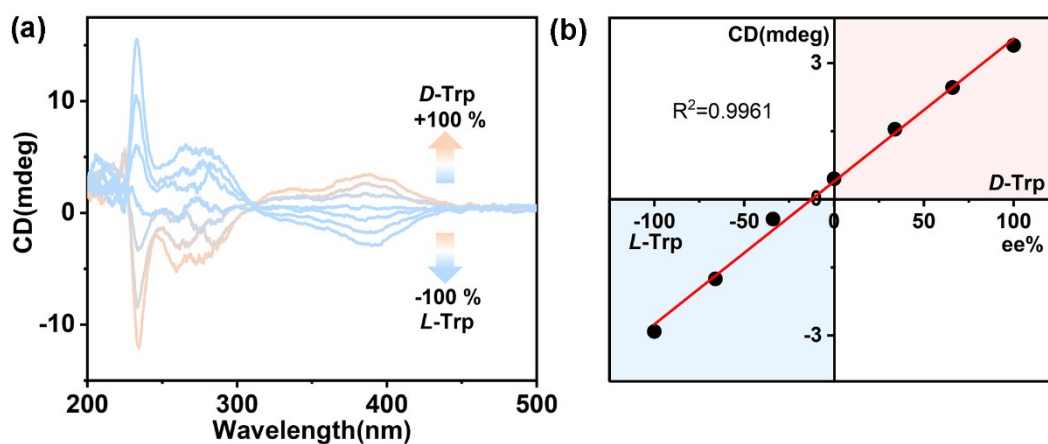


Figure S3. a) CD spectra of **1** (0.10 mM) in the presence of *D/L*-Trp (3.0 mM) with *ee* ranging from -100% to +100%. b) The calibration curve obtained for the CD signals (390 nm) upon varying *ee* values of *D/L*-Trp.

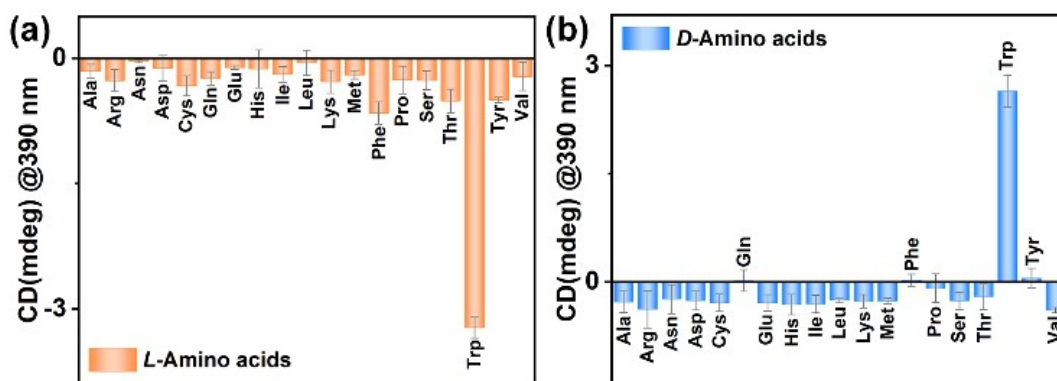


Figure S4. CD intensities of **1** (0.10 mM) with (a) *D*- and (b) *L*-amino acids (30.0 equiv) in phosphate buffer (10 mM sodium phosphate, pH = 7.4). Error bars are standard deviations based on three times of independent measurements.

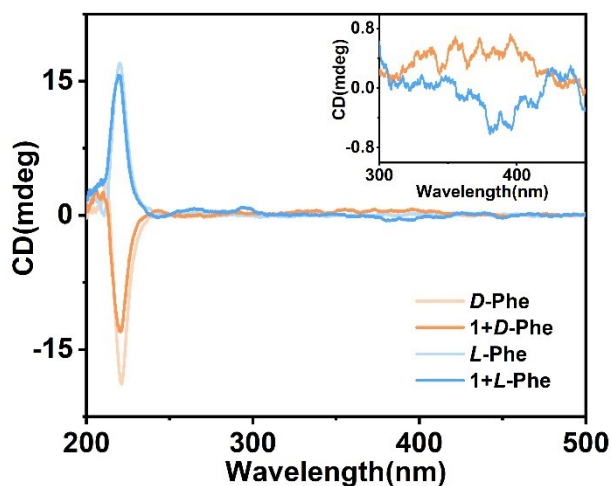


Figure S5. CD spectra of **1** (0.10 mM) with 30.0 equiv of *D*/*L*-Phe in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4)

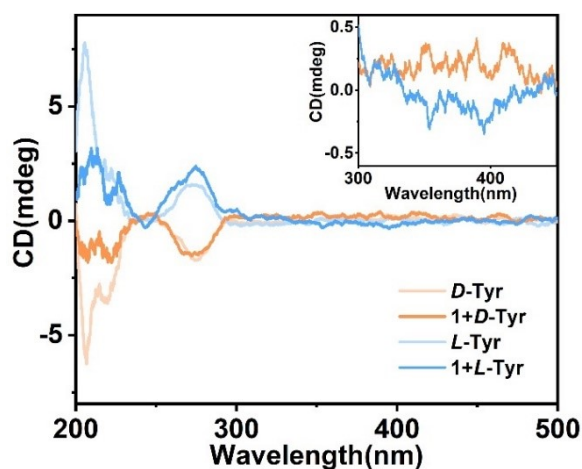


Figure S6. CD spectra of **1** (0.10 mM) with 30.0 equiv of *D*/*L*-Tyr in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

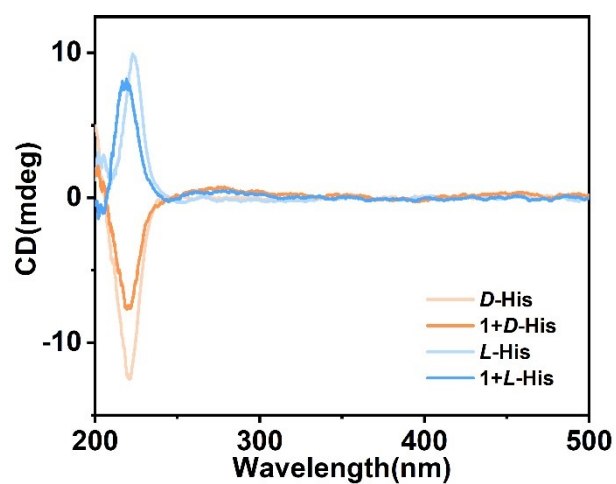


Figure S7. CD spectra of **1** (0.10 mM) with 30.0 equiv of *D/L*-His in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

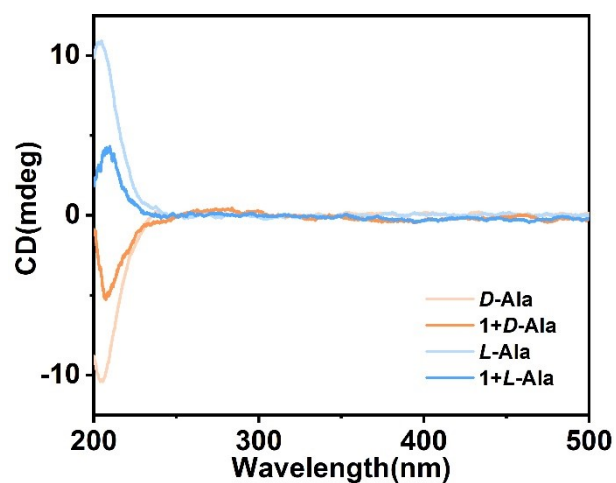


Figure S8. CD spectra of **1** (0.10 mM) with 30.0 equiv of *D/L*-Ala in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

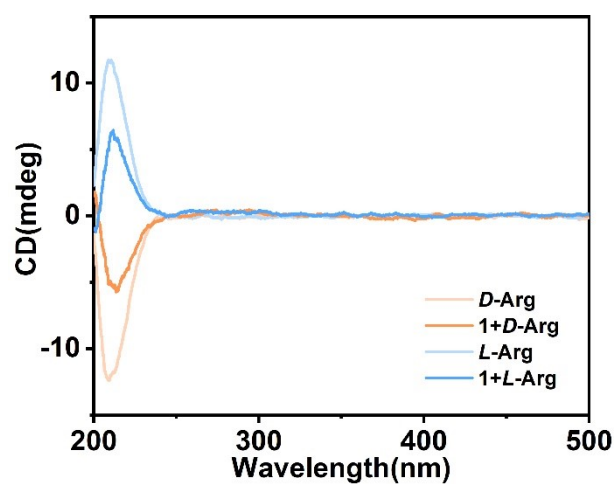


Figure S9. CD spectra of **1** (0.10 mM) with 30.0 equiv of *D/L*-Arg in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

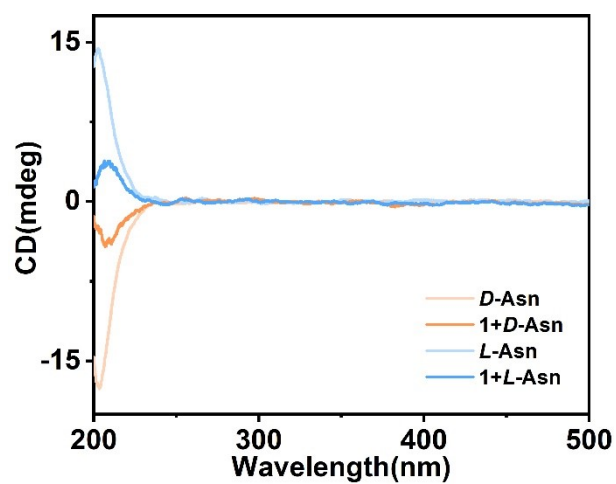


Figure S10. CD spectra of **1** (0.10 mM) with 30.0 equiv of *D/L*-Asn in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

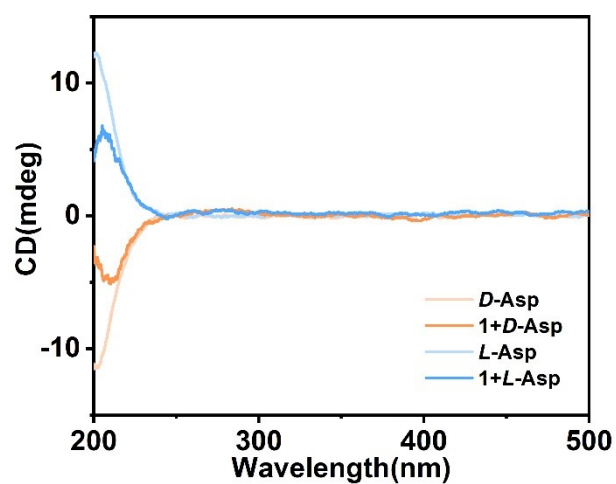


Figure S11. CD spectra of **1** (0.10 mM) with 30.0 equiv of *D/L*-Asp in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

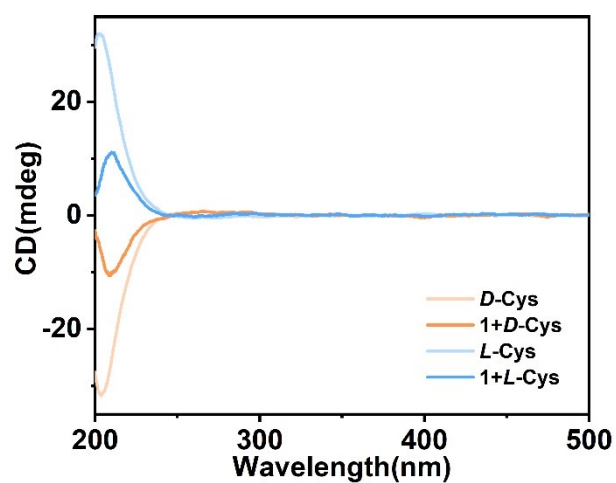


Figure S12. CD spectra of **1** (0.10 mM) with 30.0 equiv of *D/L*-Cys in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

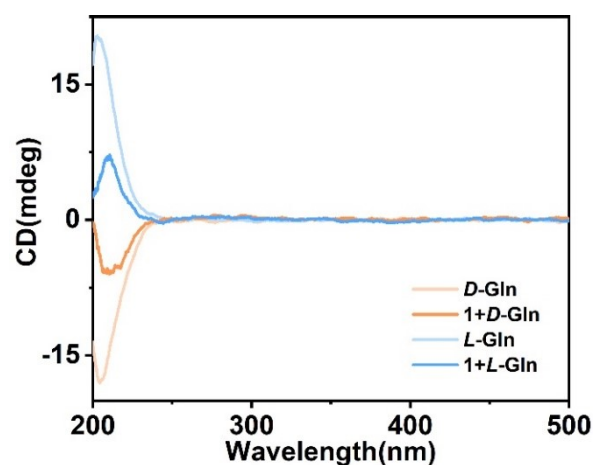


Figure S13. CD spectra of **1** (0.10 mM) with 30.0 equiv of *D/L*-Gln in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

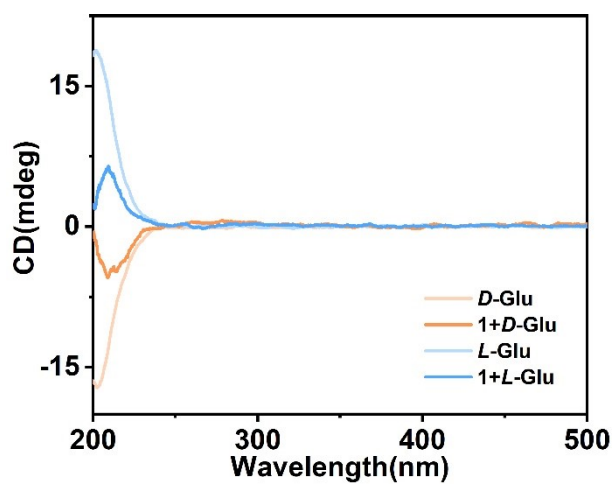


Figure S14. CD spectra of **1** (0.10 mM) with 30.0 equiv of *D/L*-Glu in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

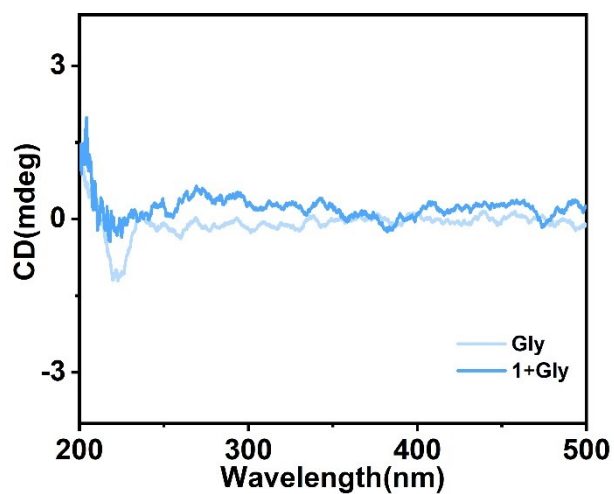


Figure S15. CD spectra of **1** (0.10 mM) with 30.0 equiv of Gly in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

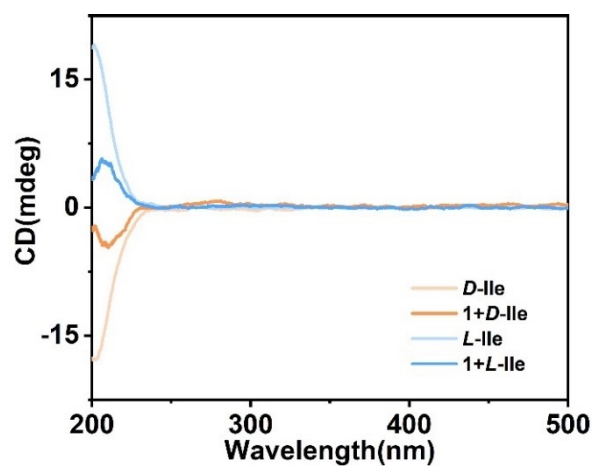


Figure S16. CD spectra of **1** (0.10 mM) with 30.0 equiv of *D/L*-Ile in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

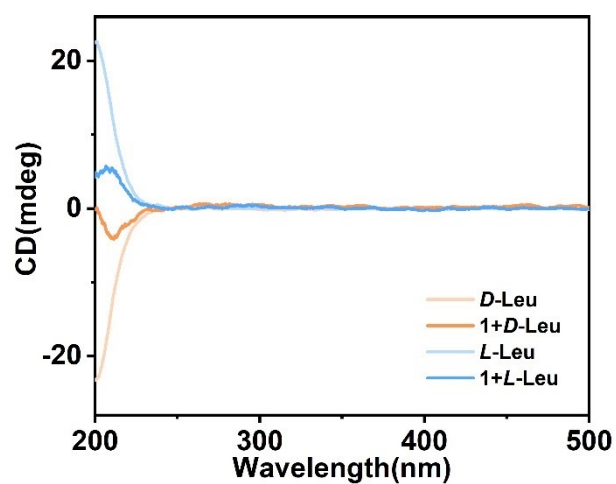


Figure S17. CD spectra of **1** (0.10 mM) with 30.0 equiv of *D/L*-Leu in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

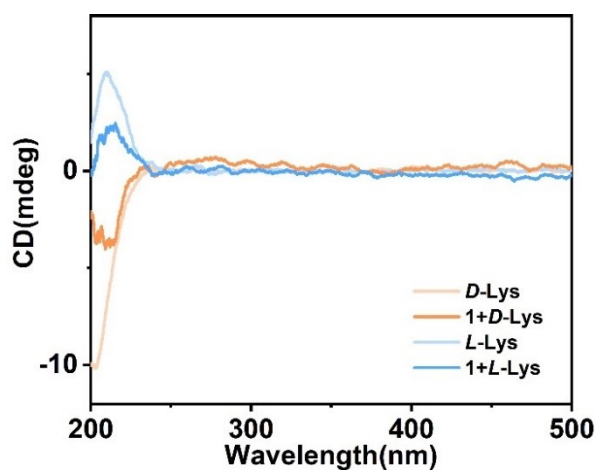


Figure S18. CD spectra of **1** (0.10 mM) with 30.0 equiv of *D/L*-Lys in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

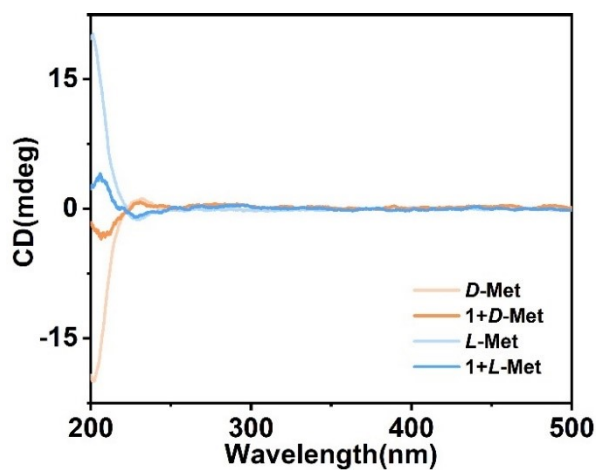


Figure S19. CD spectra of **1** (0.10 mM) with 30.0 equiv of *D/L*-Met in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

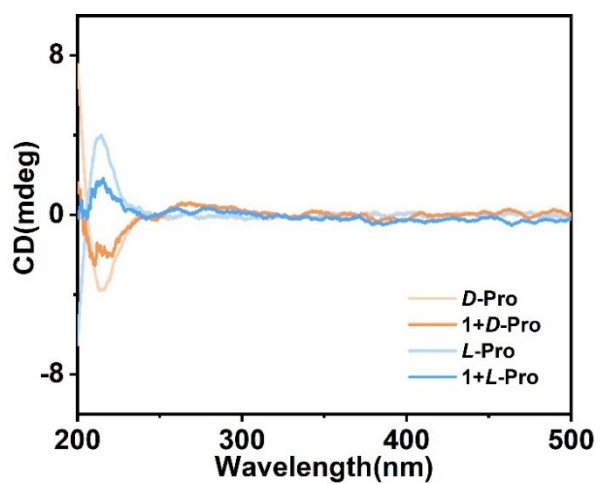


Figure S20. CD spectra of **1** (0.10 mM) with 30.0 equiv of *D/L*-Pro in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

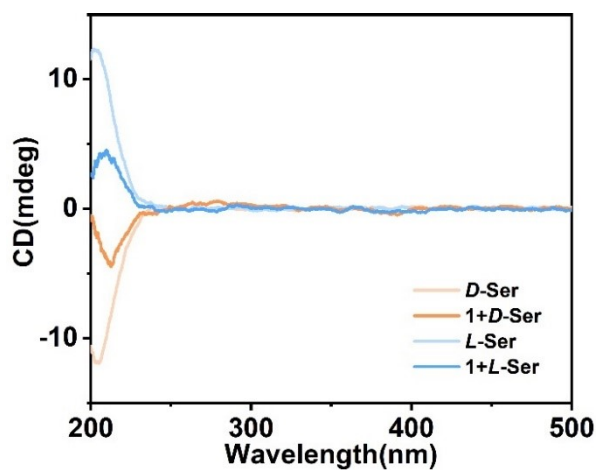


Figure S21. CD spectra of **1** (0.10 mM) with 30.0 equiv of *D/L*-Ser in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

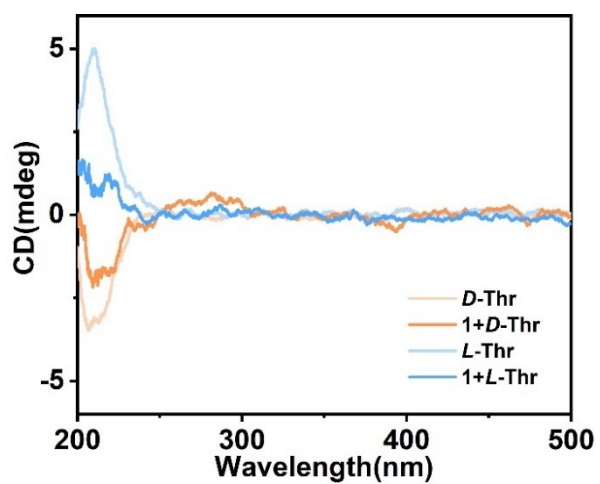


Figure S22. CD spectra of **1** (0.10 mM) with 30.0 equiv of *D/L*-Thr in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

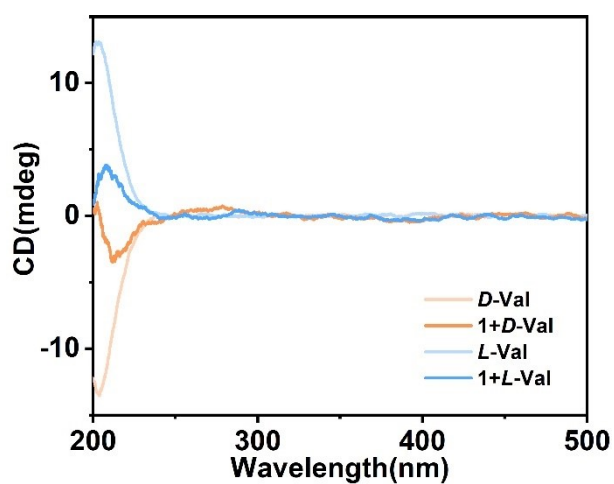


Figure S23. CD spectra of **1** (0.10 mM) with 30.0 equiv of *D/L*-Val in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

2.2 NMR experiments

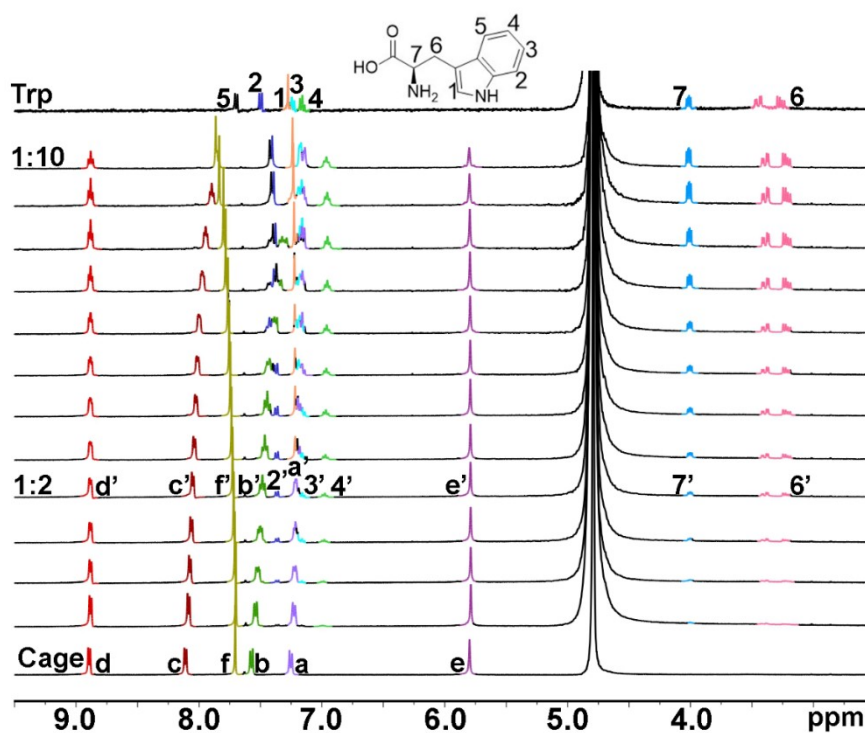


Figure S24. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-Trp (0 – 10.0 equiv).

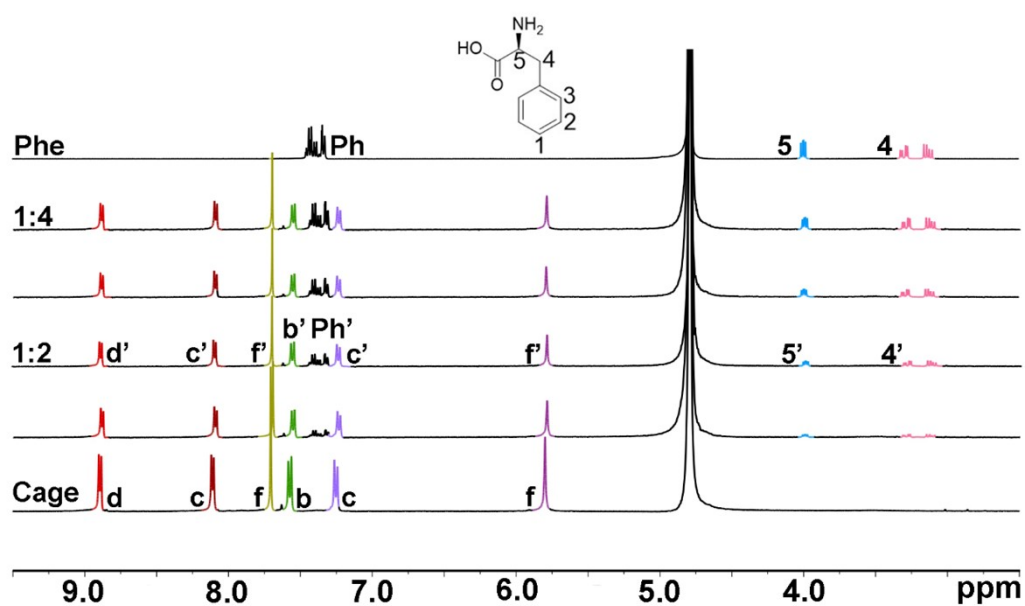


Figure S25. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-Phe (0 – 4.0 equiv).

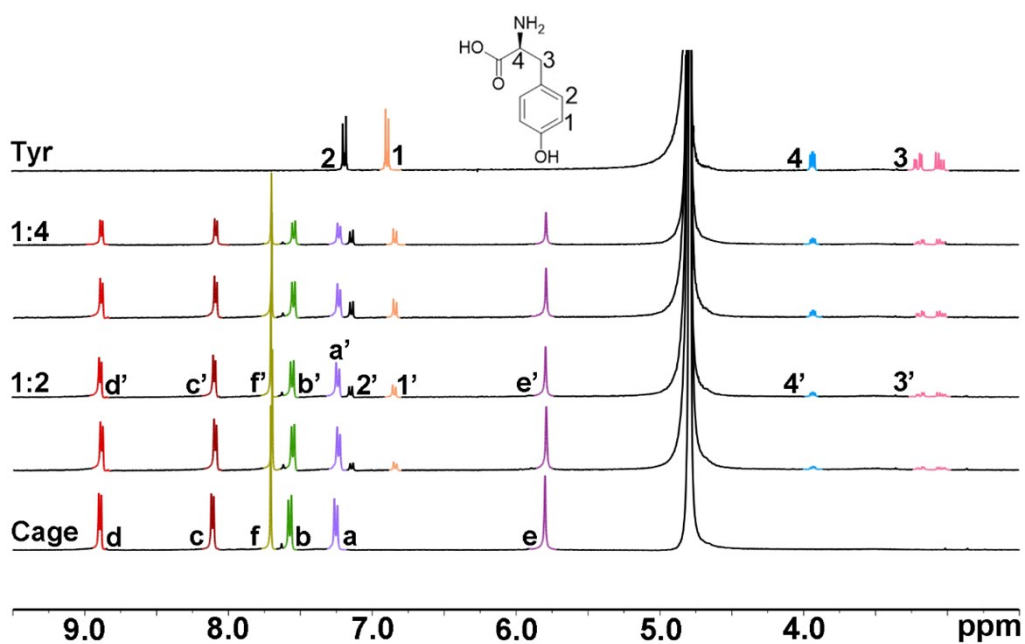


Figure S26. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-Tyr (0 – 4.0 equiv).

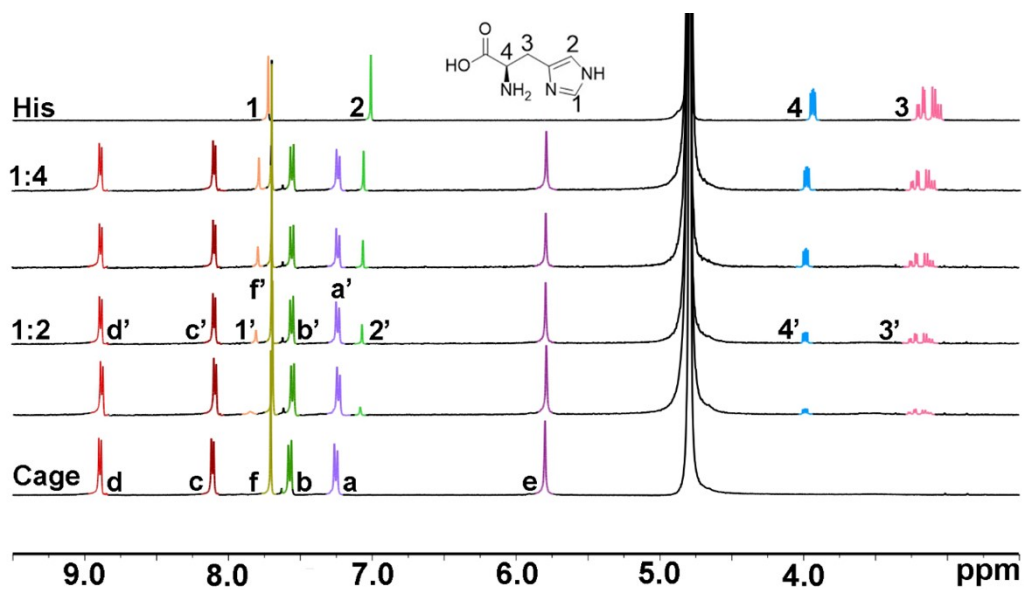


Figure S27. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-His (0 – 4.0 equiv).

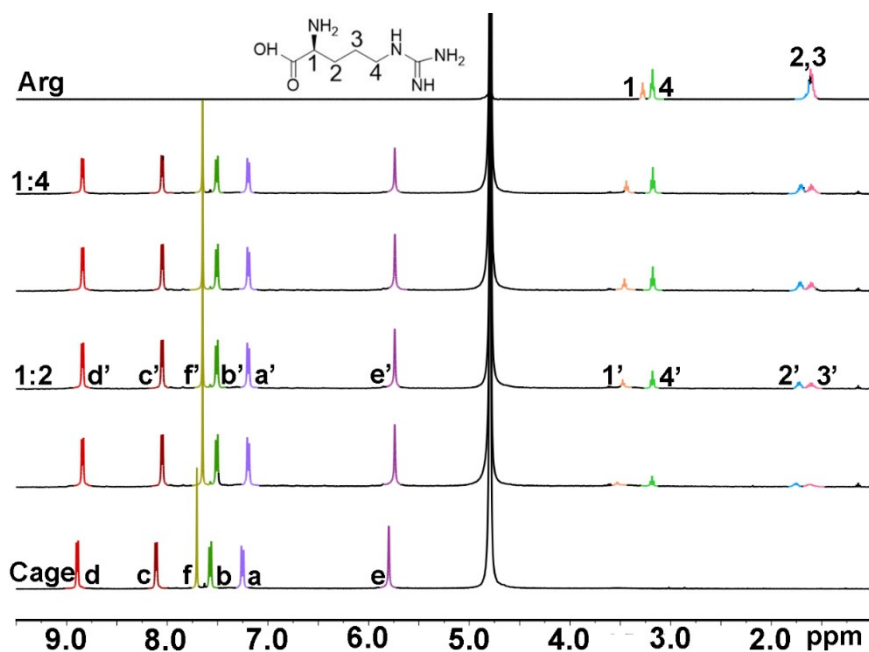


Figure S28. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-Arg (0 – 4.0 equiv).

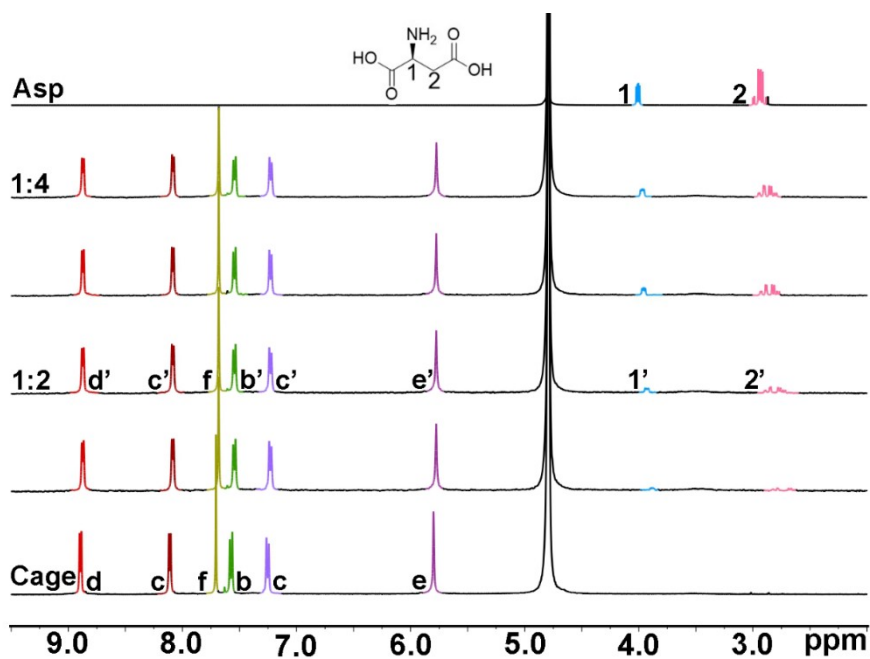


Figure S29. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-Asp (0 – 4.0 equiv).

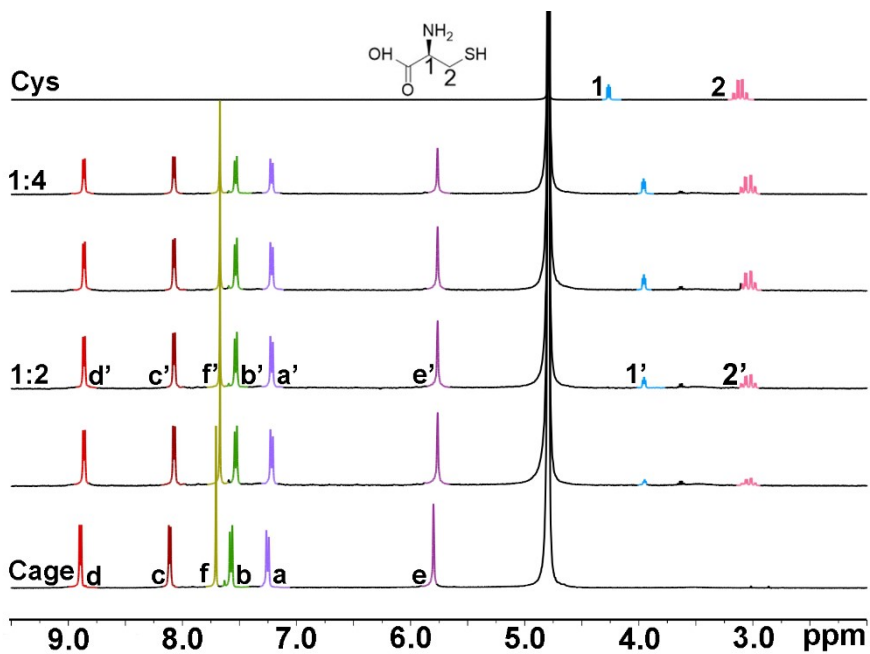


Figure S30. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-Cys (0 – 4.0 equiv).

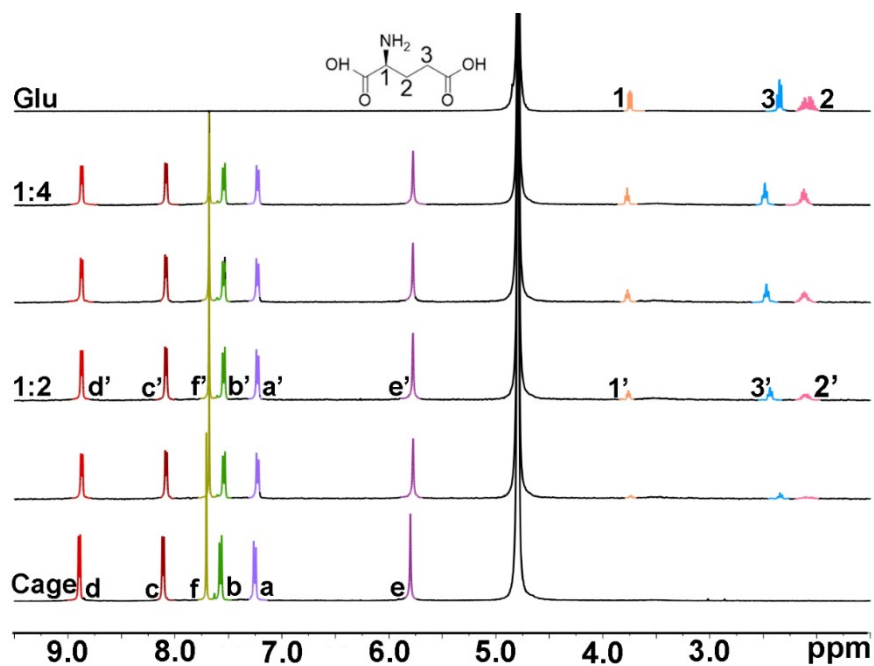


Figure S31. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-Glu (0 – 4.0 equiv).

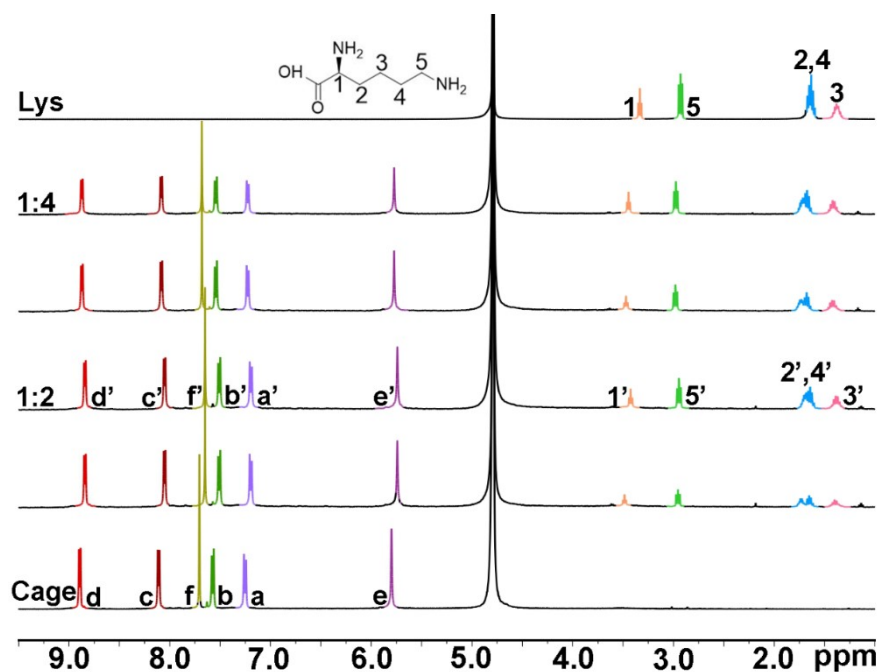


Figure S32. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-Lys (0 – 4.0 equiv).

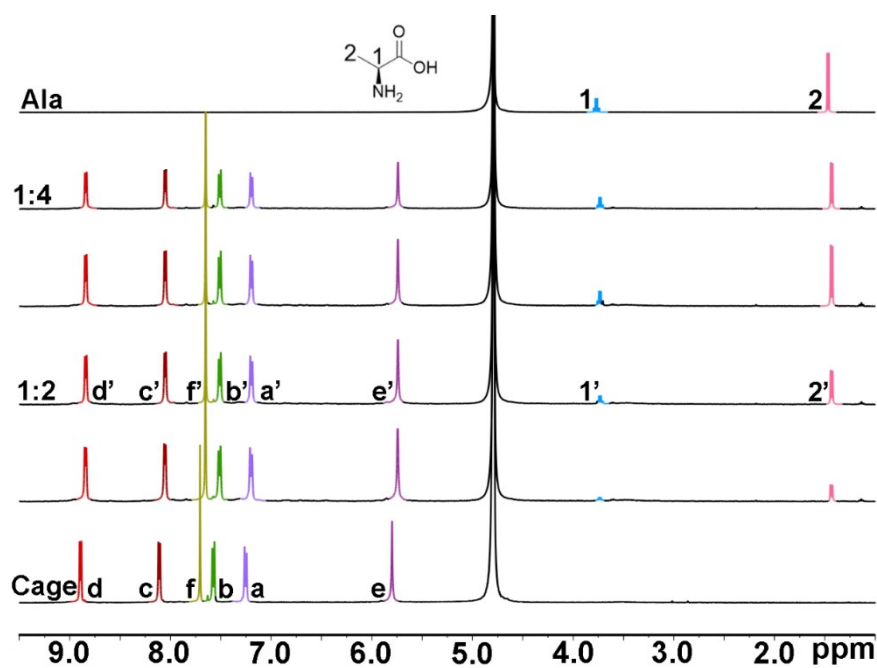


Figure S33. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with L-Ala (0 – 4.0 equiv).

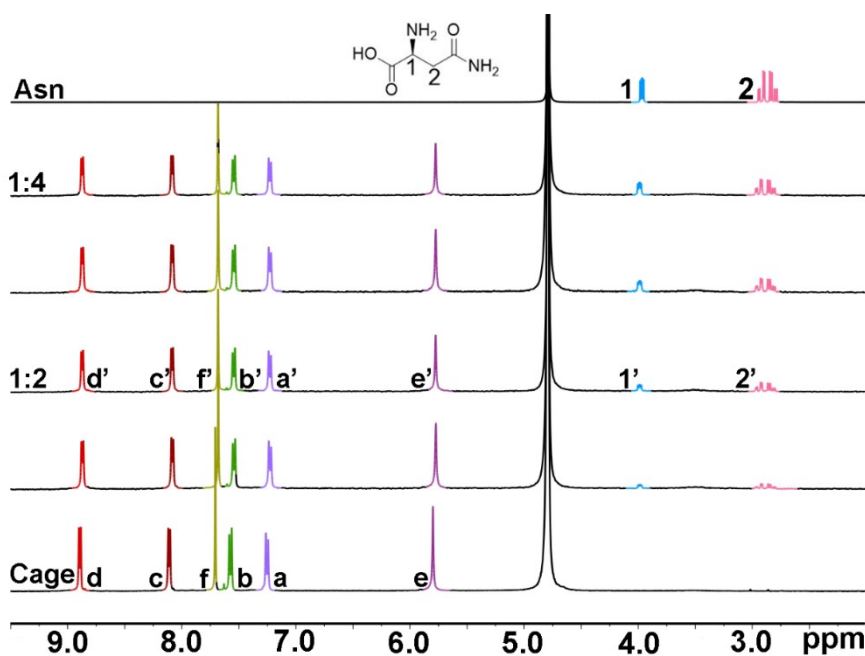


Figure S34. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with L-Asn (0 – 4.0 equiv).

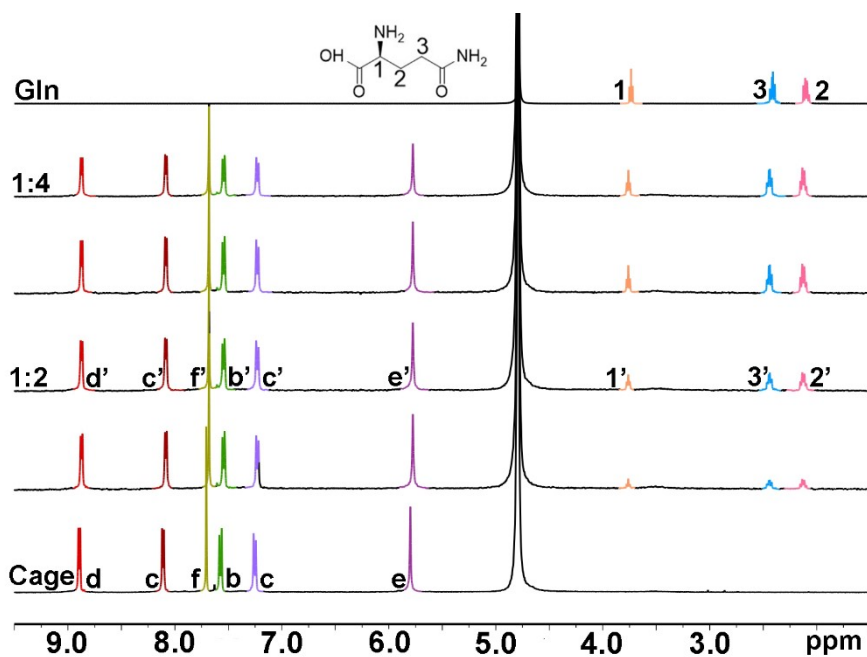


Figure S35. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-Gln (0 – 4.0 equiv).

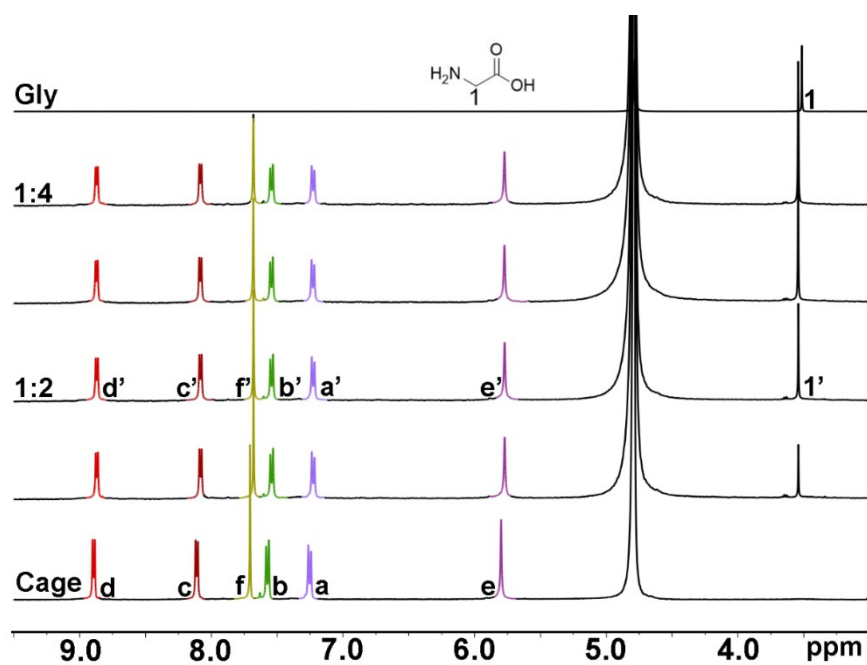


Figure S36. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with Gly (0 – 4.0 equiv).

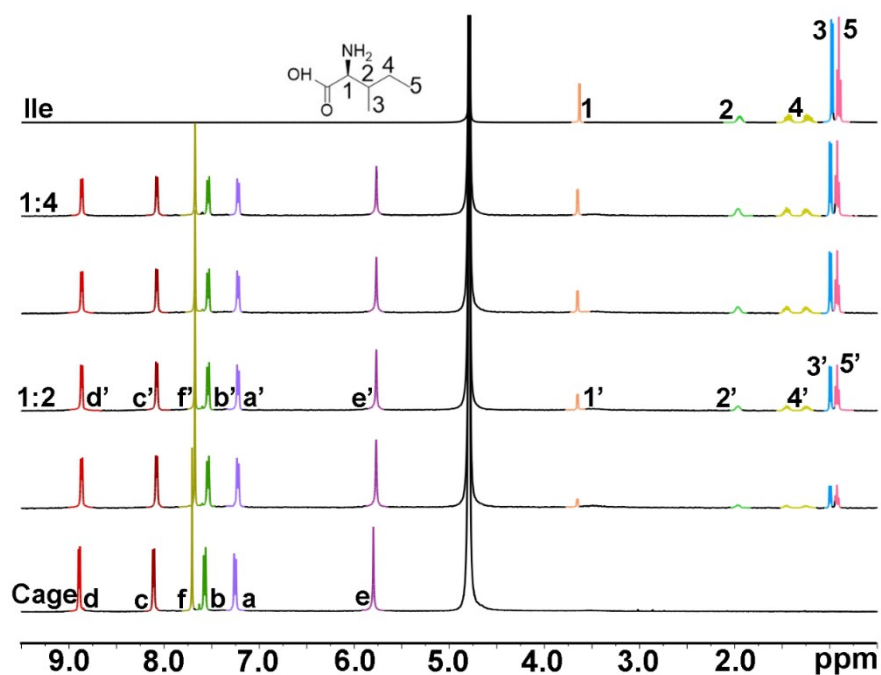


Figure S37. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-Ile (0 – 4.0 equiv).

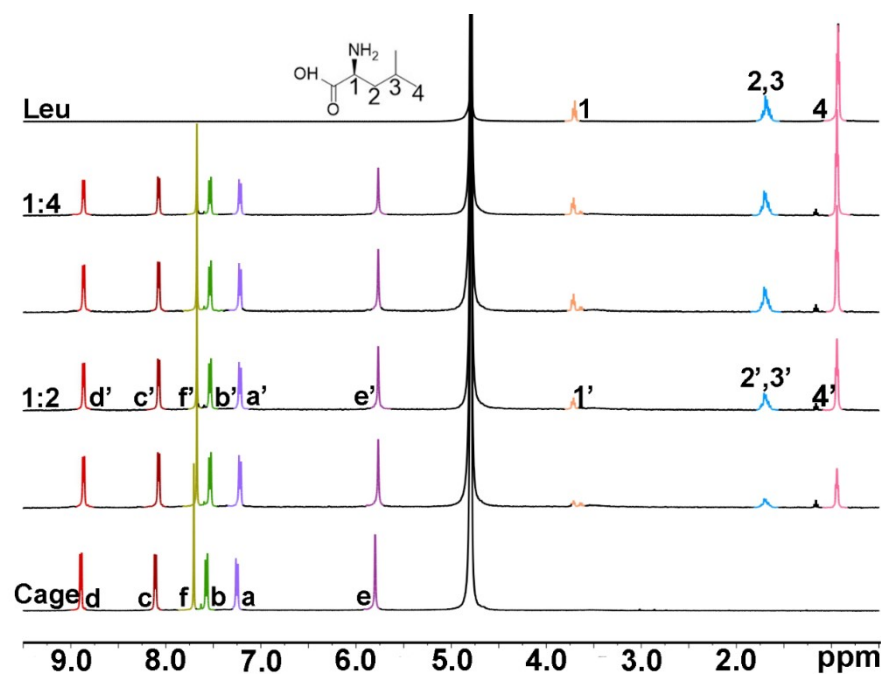


Figure S38. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-Leu (0 – 4.0 equiv).

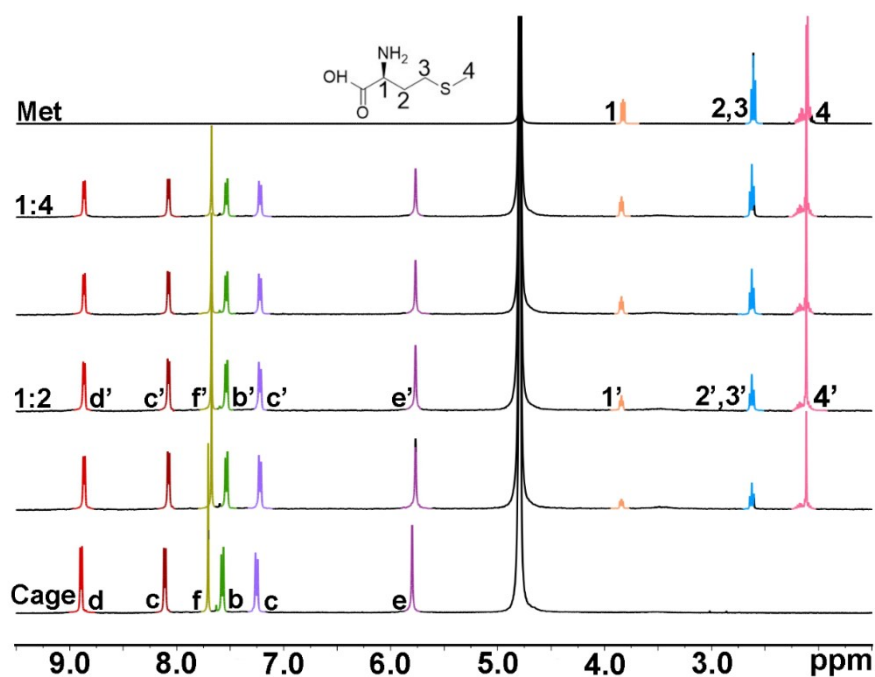


Figure S39. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-Met (0 – 4.0 equiv).

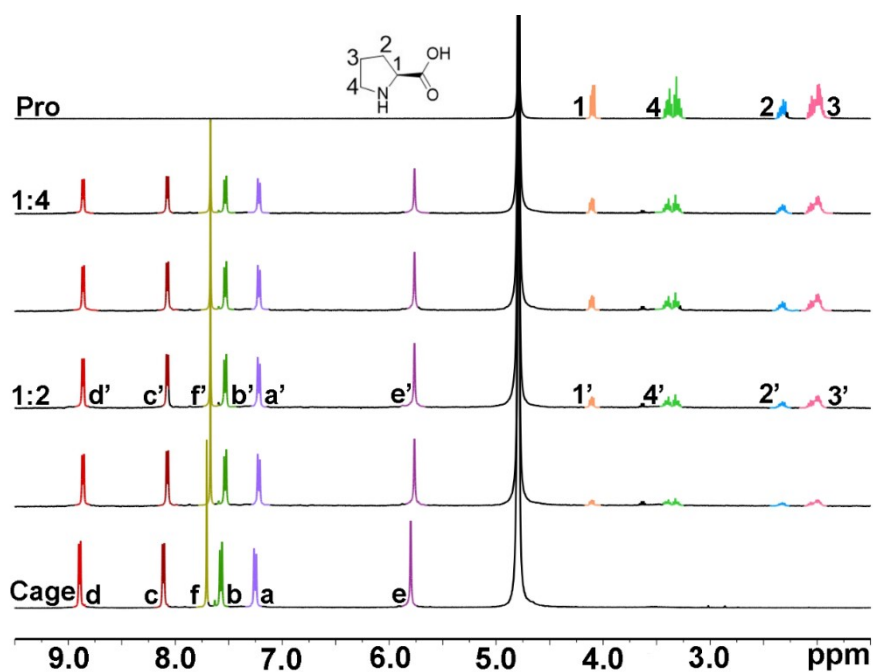


Figure S40. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-Pro (0 – 4.0 equiv).

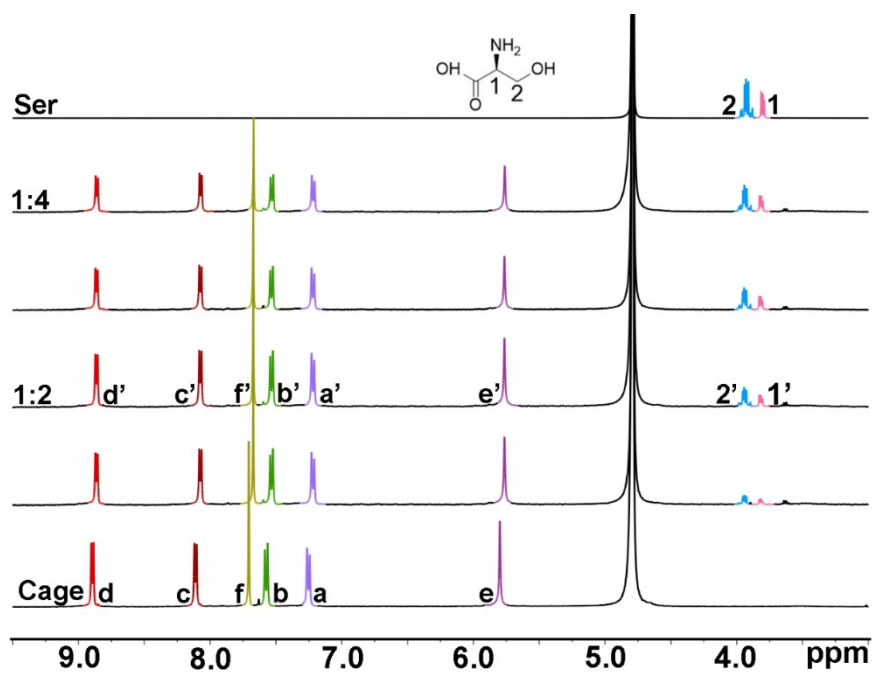


Figure S41. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-Ser (0 – 4.0 equiv).

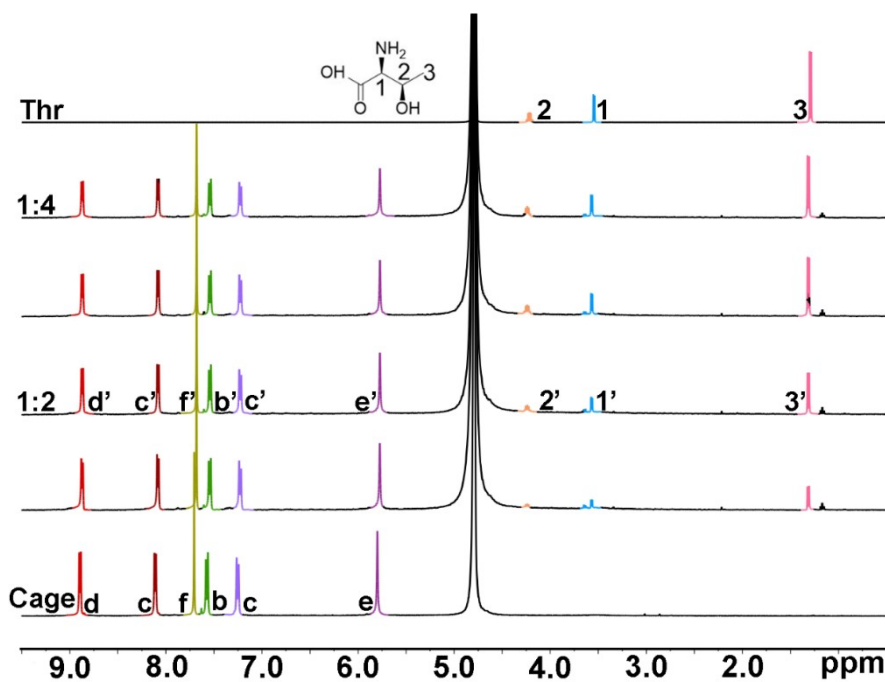


Figure S42. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-Thr (0 – 4.0 equiv).

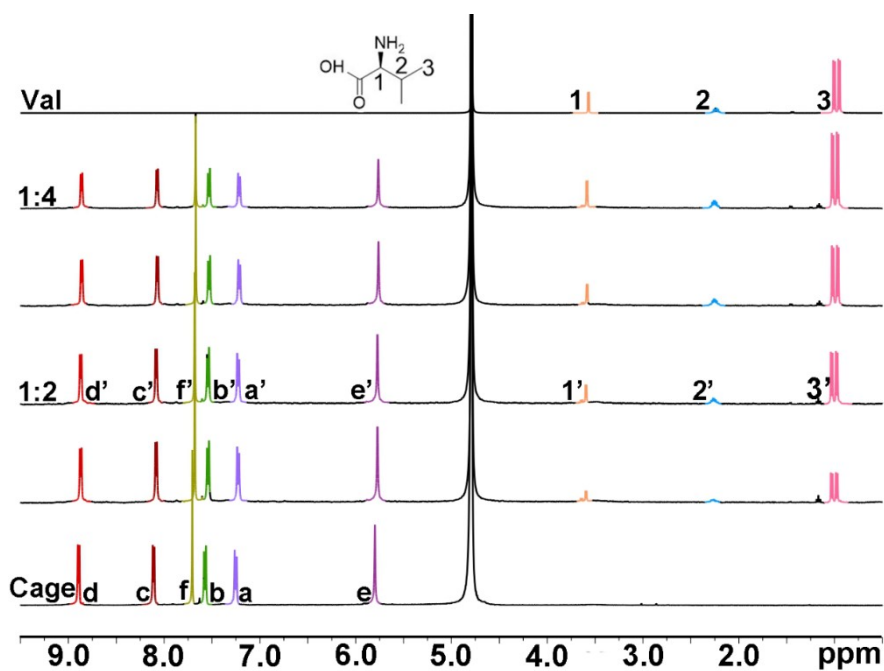


Figure S43. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-Val (0 – 4.0 equiv).

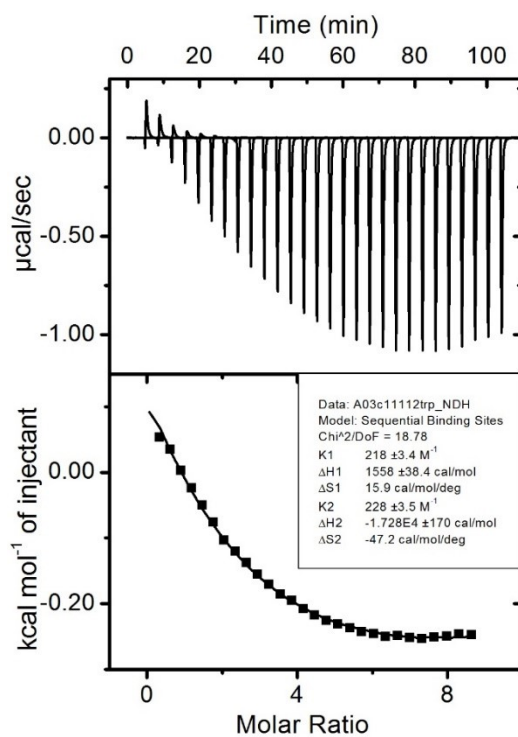


Figure S44. ITC of **1** (0.30 mM) with *L*-Trp (12.0 mM) at 298 K in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

3. Recognition of Dipeptides

3.1 NMR, UV-vis, and ITC experiments

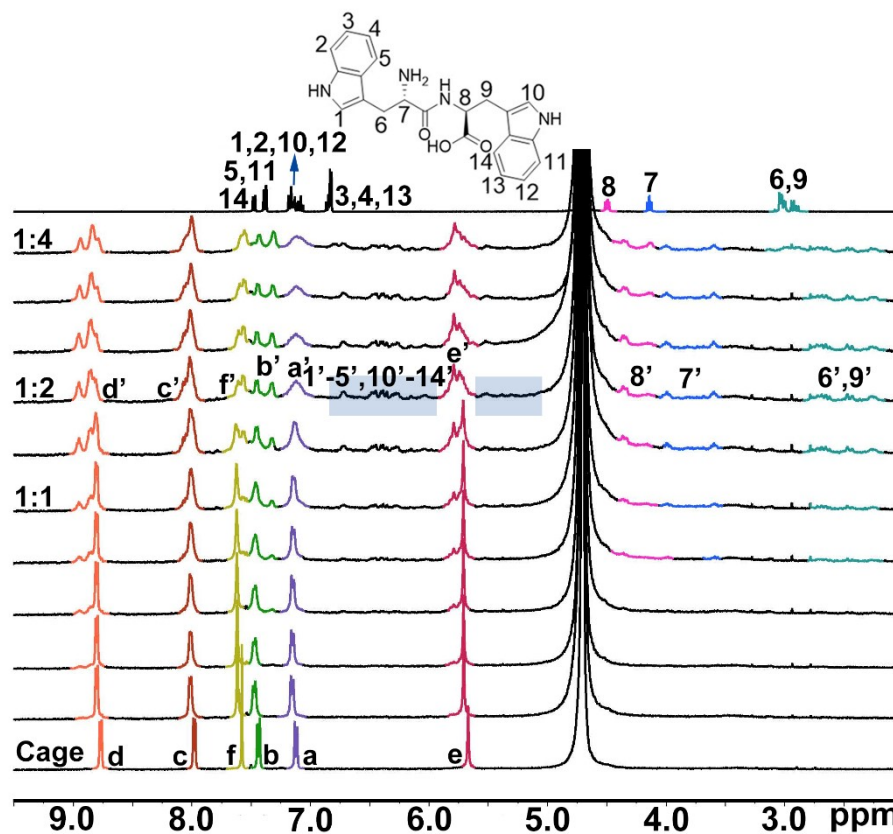


Figure S45. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-TrpTrp (0 – 4.0 equiv).

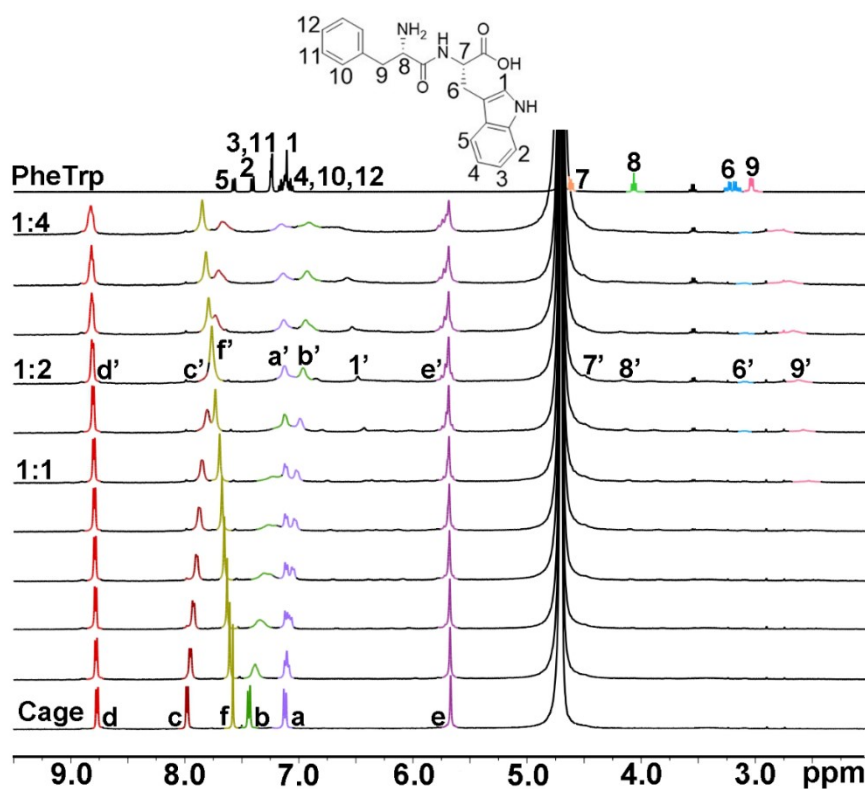


Figure S46. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-PheTrp (0 – 4.0 equiv).

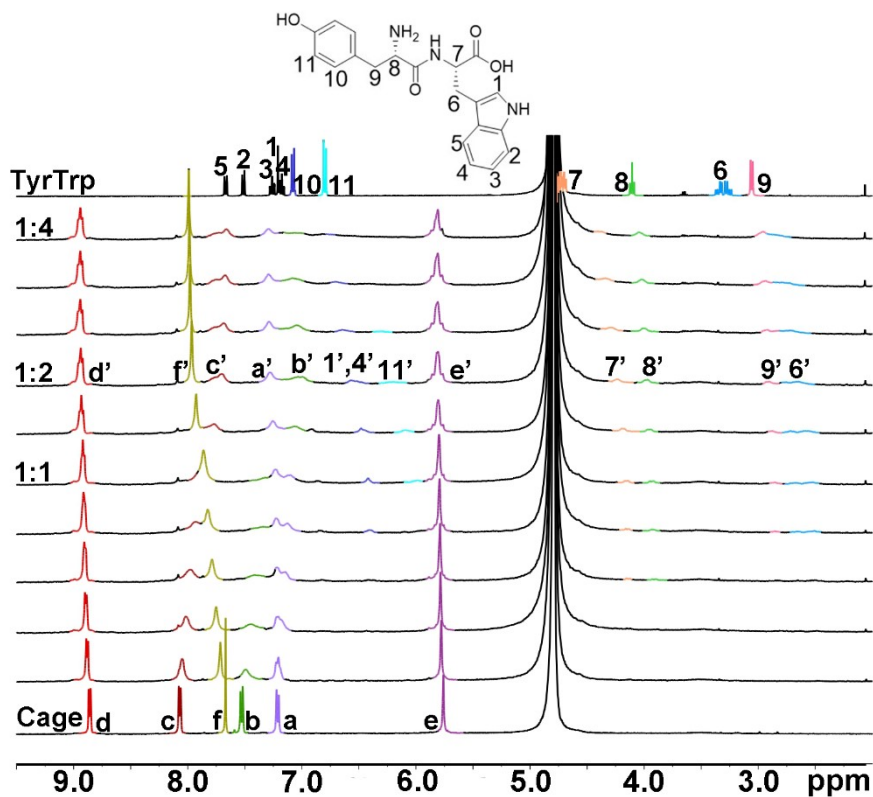


Figure S47. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-TyrTrp (0 – 4.0 equiv).

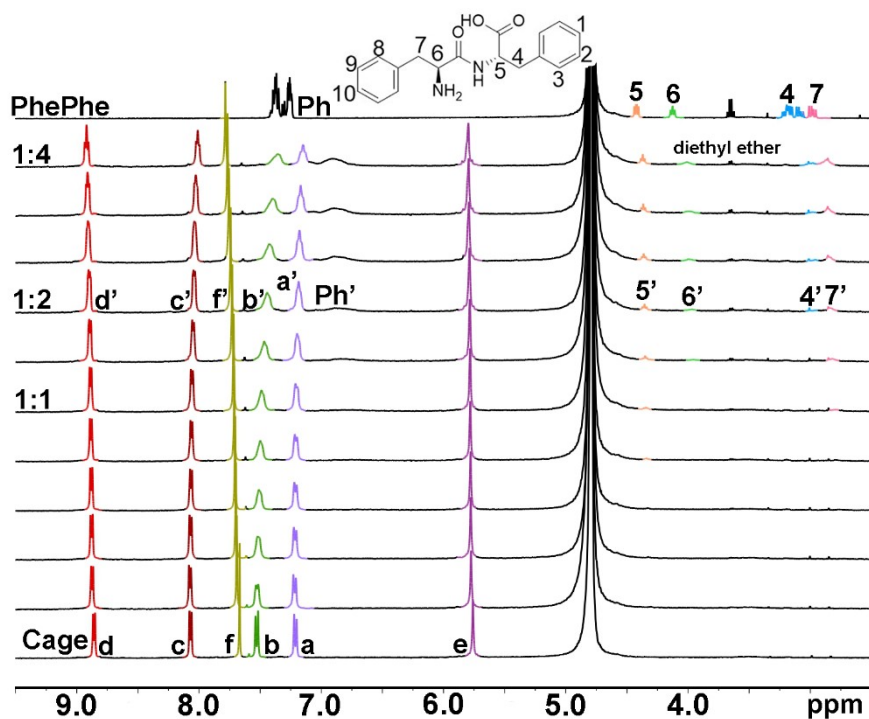


Figure S48. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-PhePhe (0 – 4.0 equiv).

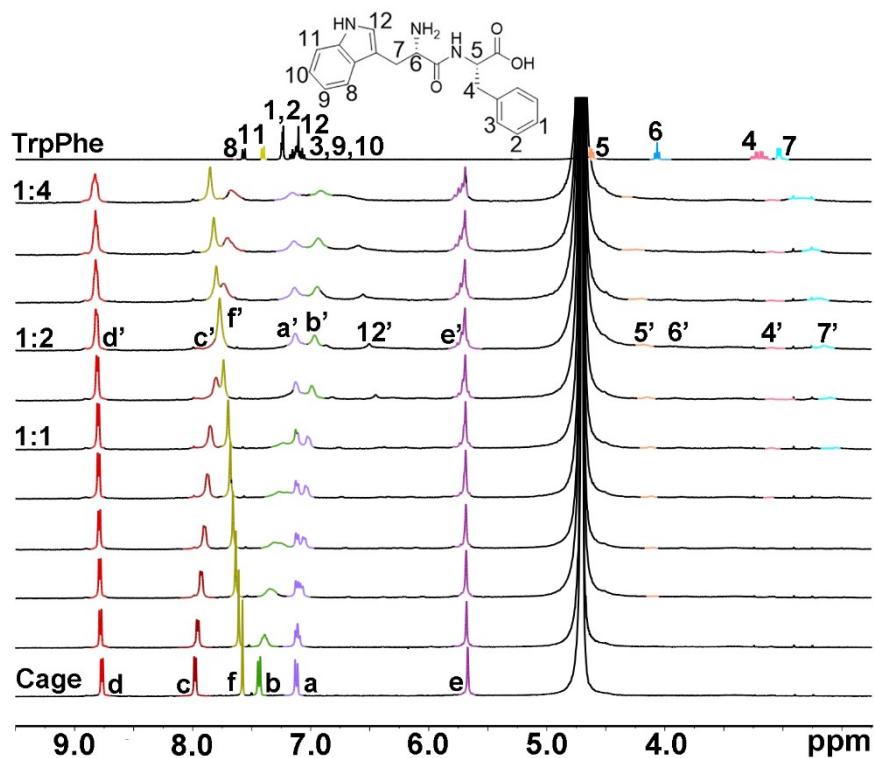


Figure S49. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-TrpPhe (0 – 4.0 equiv).

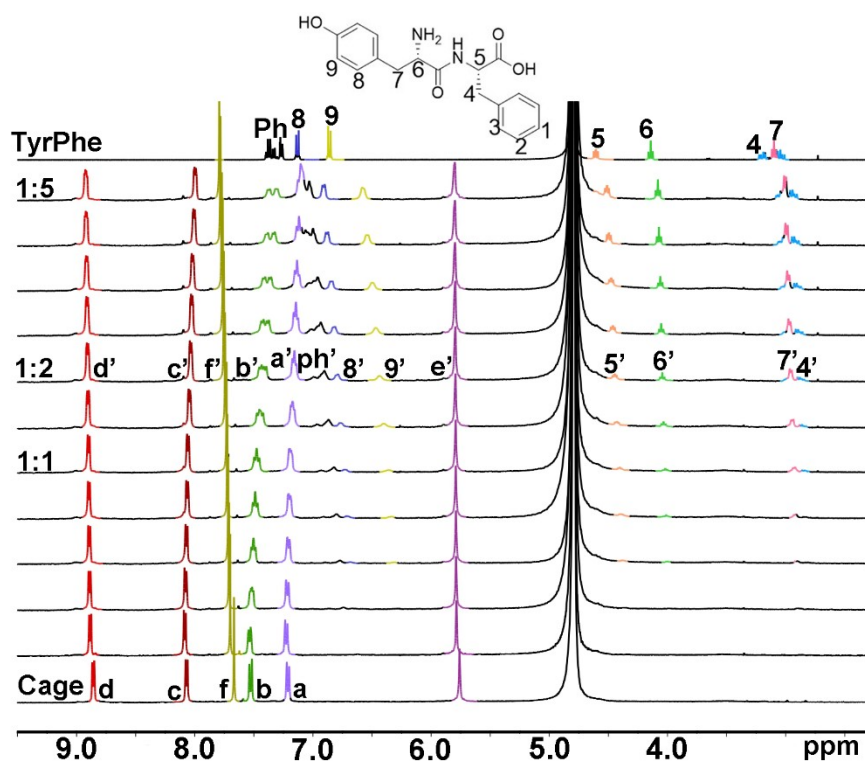


Figure S50. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-TyrPhe (0 – 5.0 equiv).

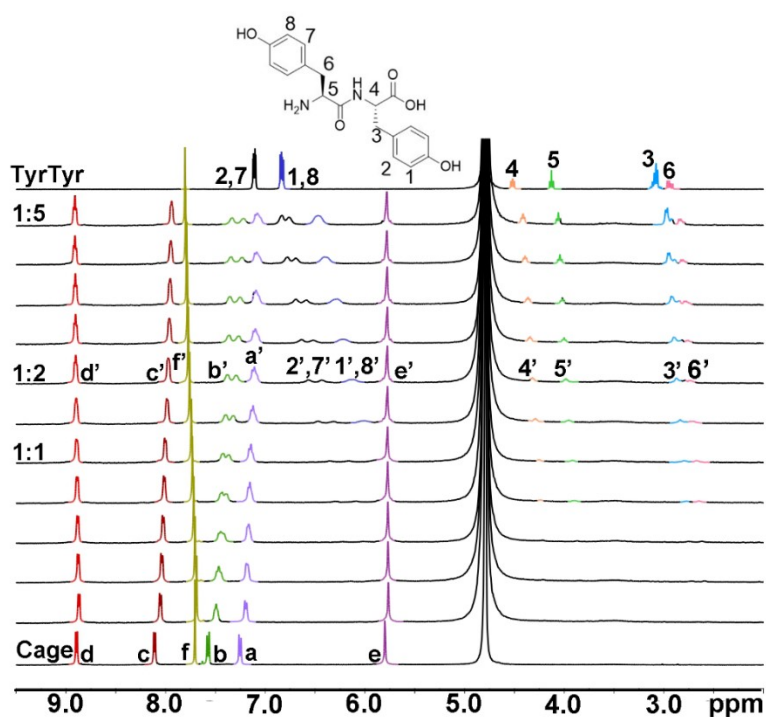


Figure S51. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with *L*-TyrTyr (0 – 5.0 equiv).

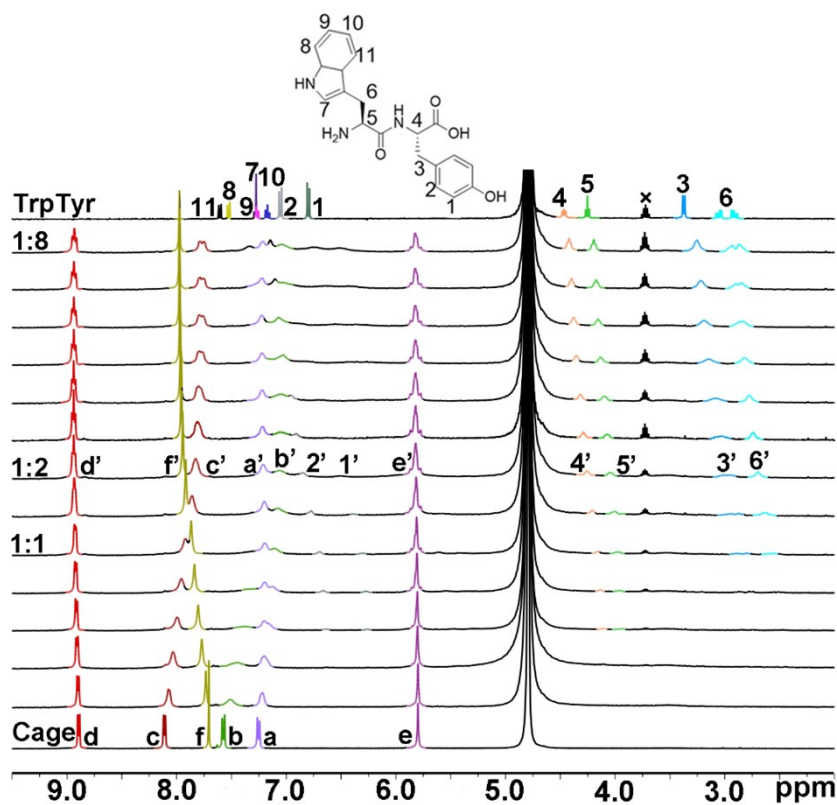


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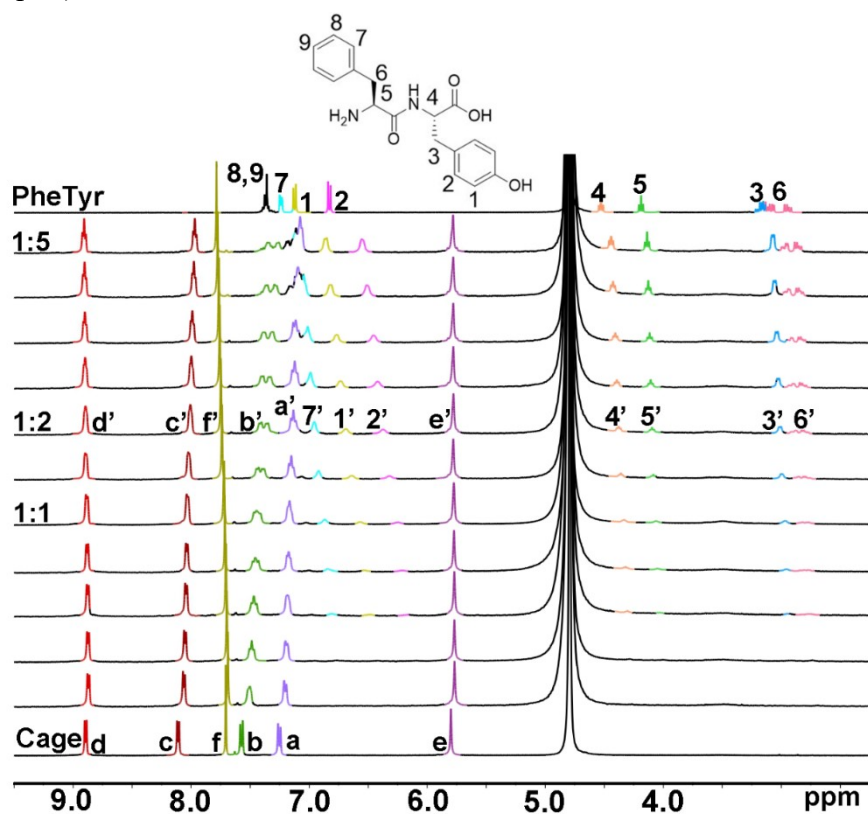


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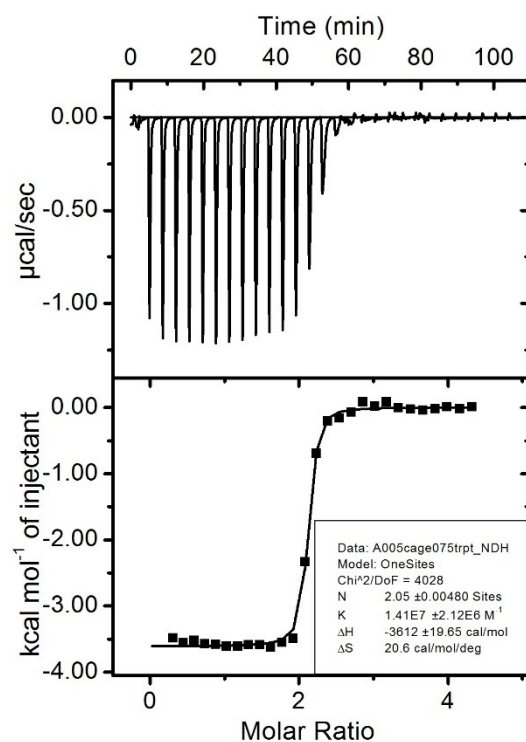


Figure S54. ITC of **1** (50 μM) with *D*-TrpTrp (1.0 mM) at 298 K in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

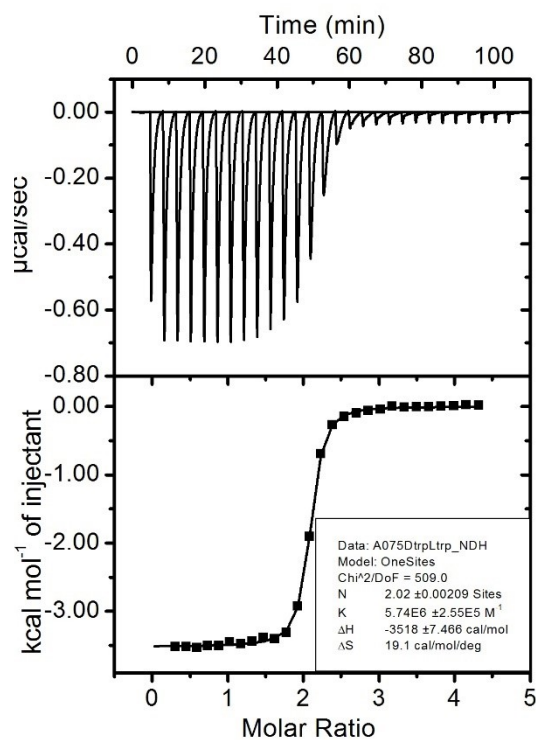


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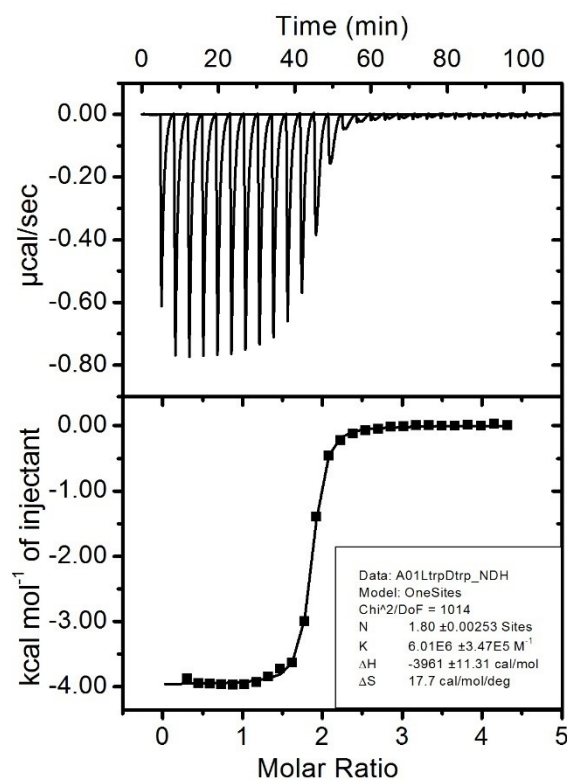


Figure S56. ITC of **1** (50 μM) with *L*-Trp-*D*-Trp (1.0 mM) at 298 K in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

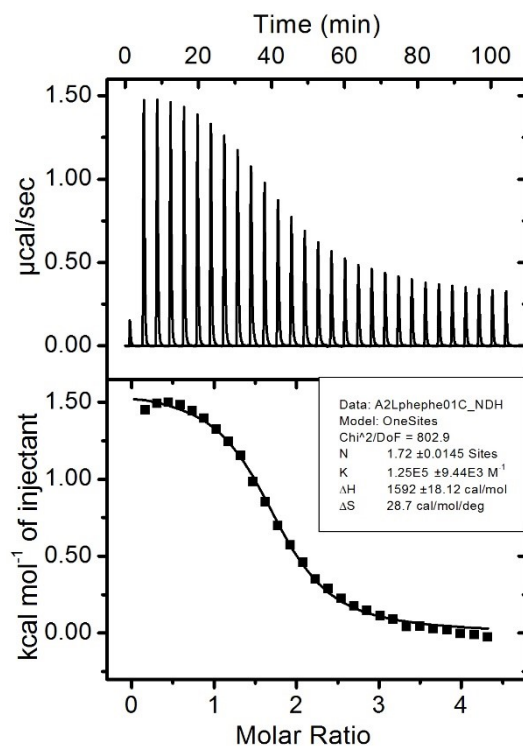


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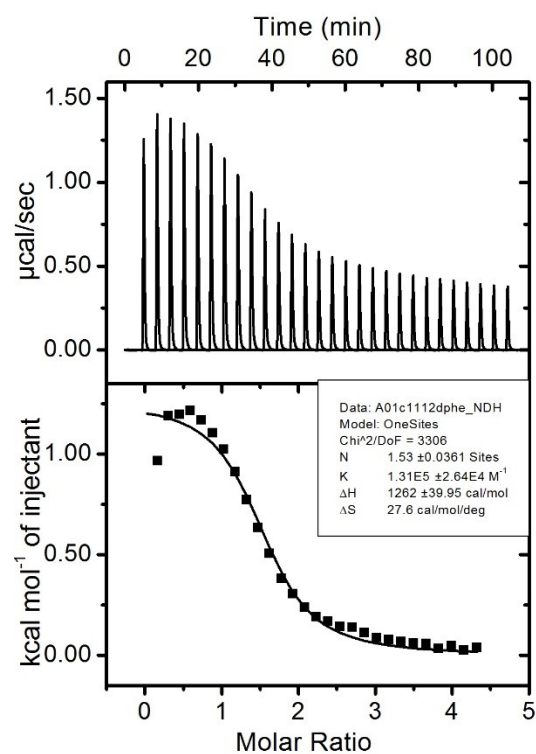


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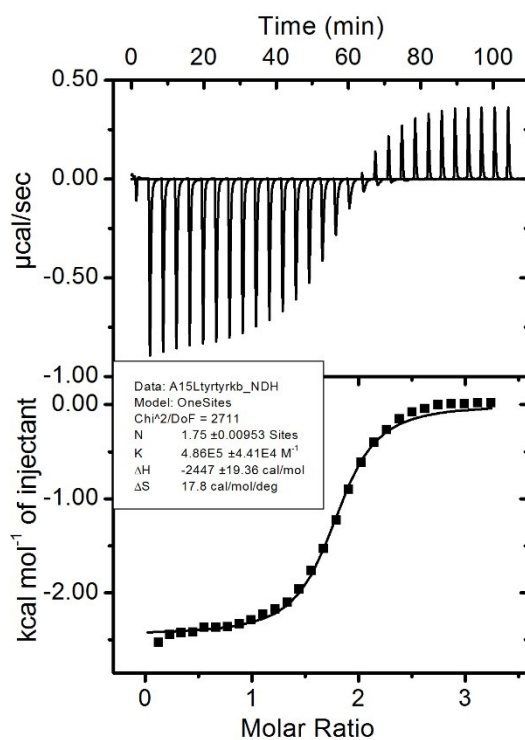


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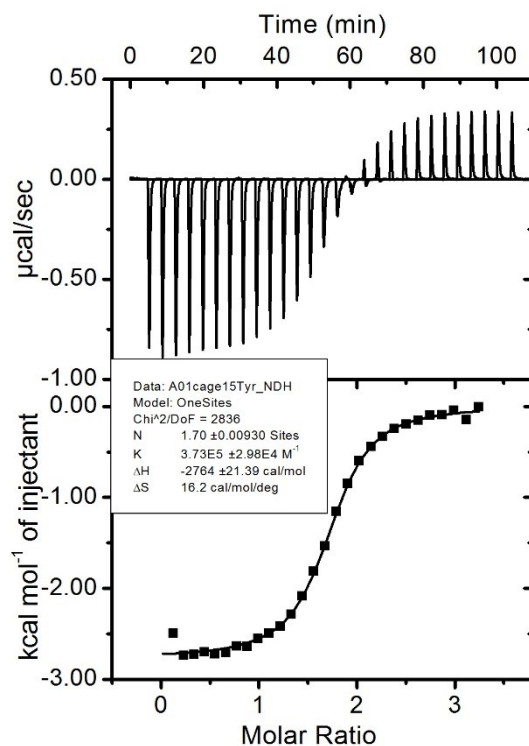


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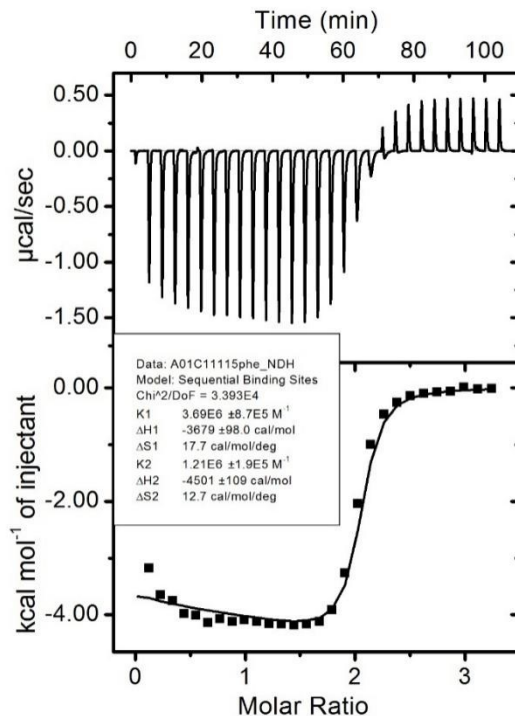


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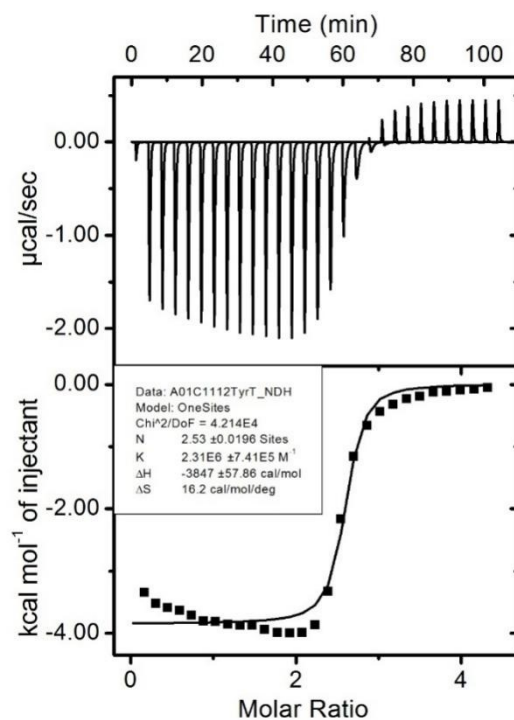


Figure S62. ITC of **1** (0.10 mM) with *L*-TyrTrp (2.0 mM) at 298 K in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

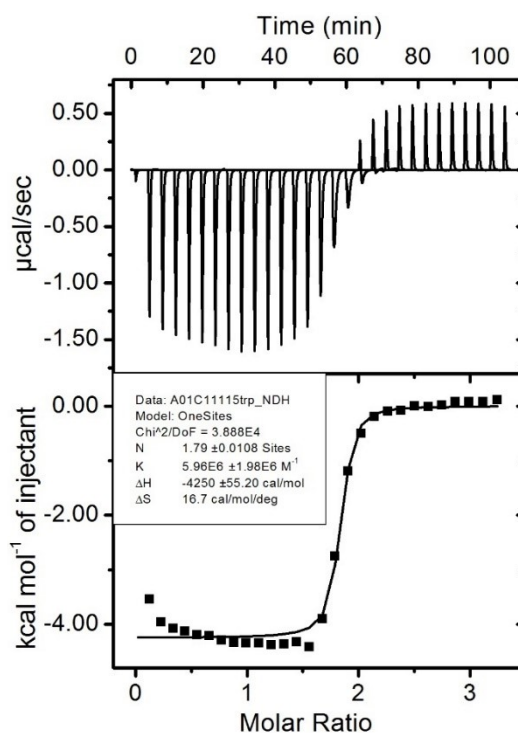


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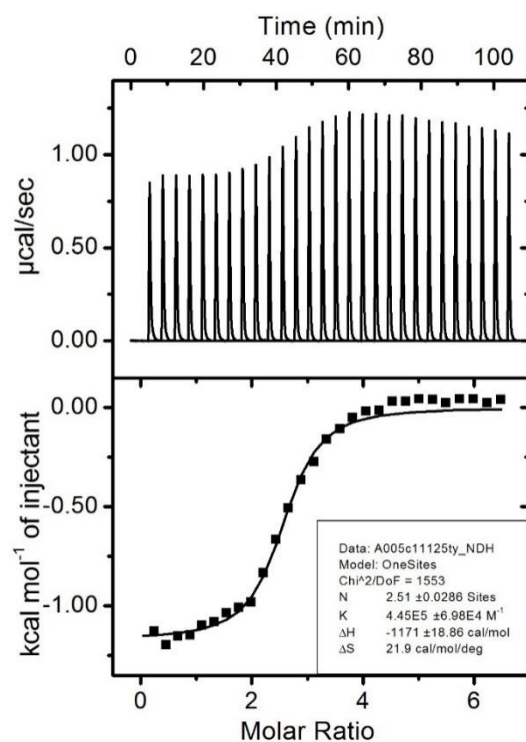


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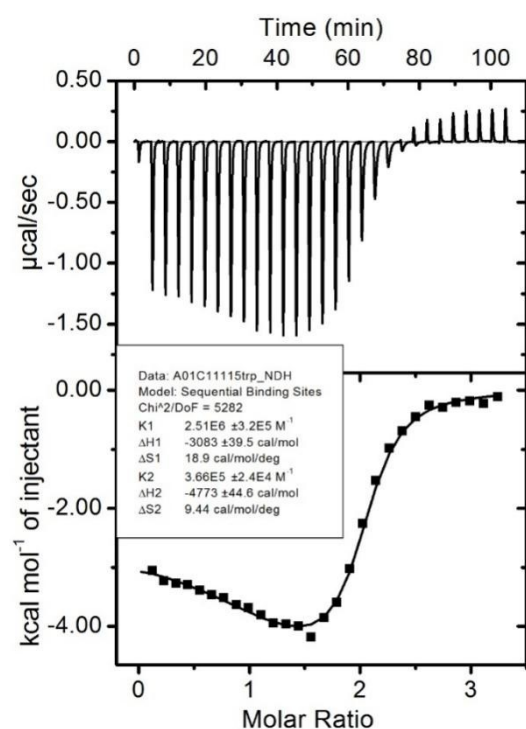


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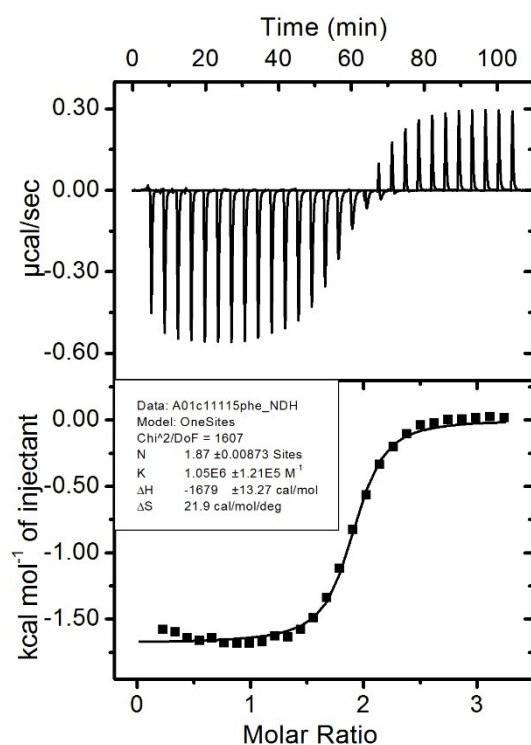


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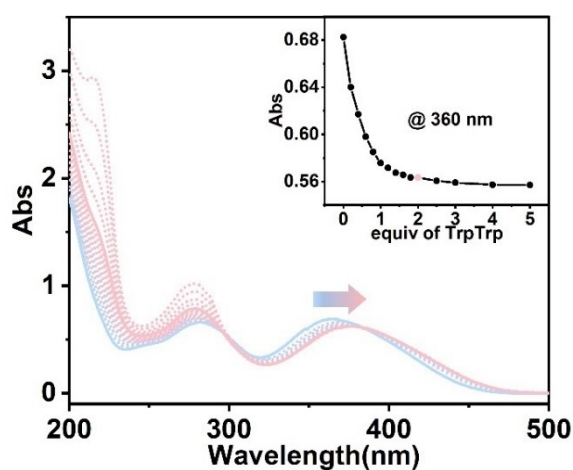


Figure S67. UV/vis titration of **1** (10 μM) with *L*-TrpTrp in water. Insert: Plots of Abs vs the equiv of *L*-TrpTrp.

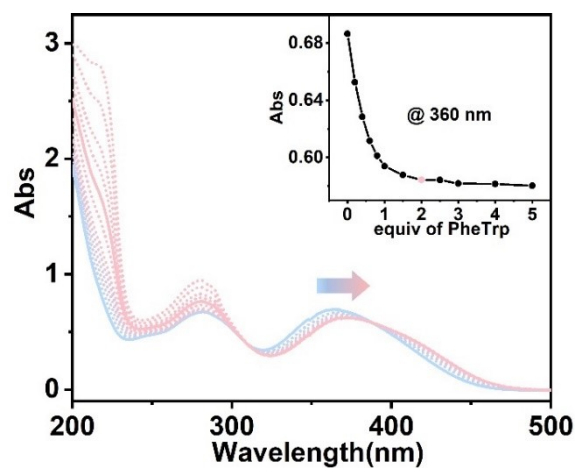


Figure S68. UV/vis titration of **1** (10 μ M) with *L*-PheTrp in water. Insert: Plots of Abs vs the equiv of *L*-PheTrp.

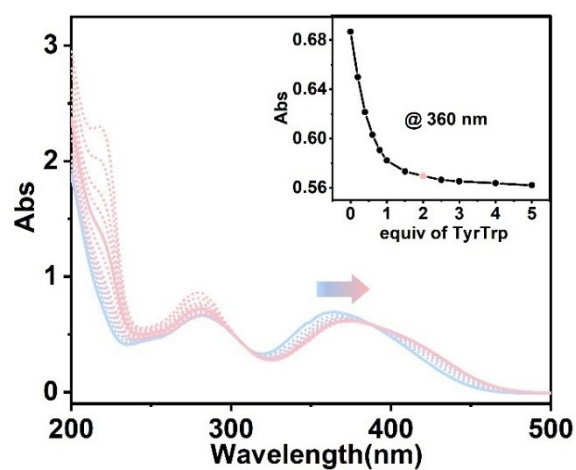


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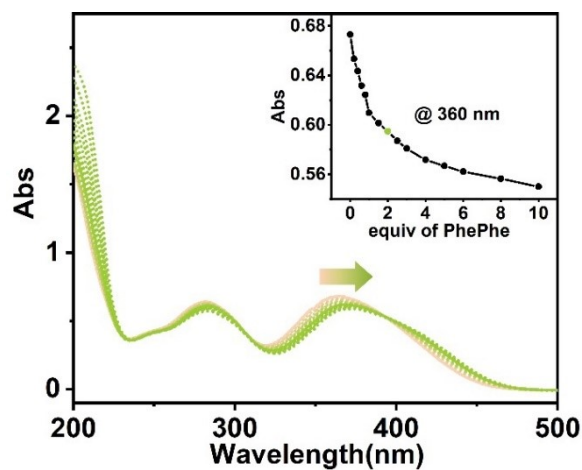


Figure S70. UV/vis titration of **1** (10 μ M) with *L*-PhePhe in water. Insert: Plots of Abs vs the equiv of *L*-PhePhe.

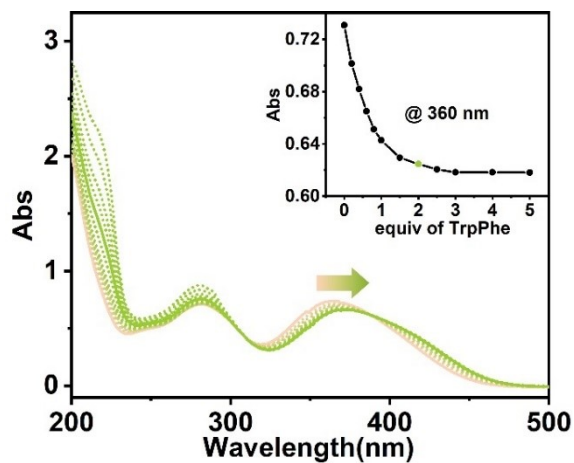


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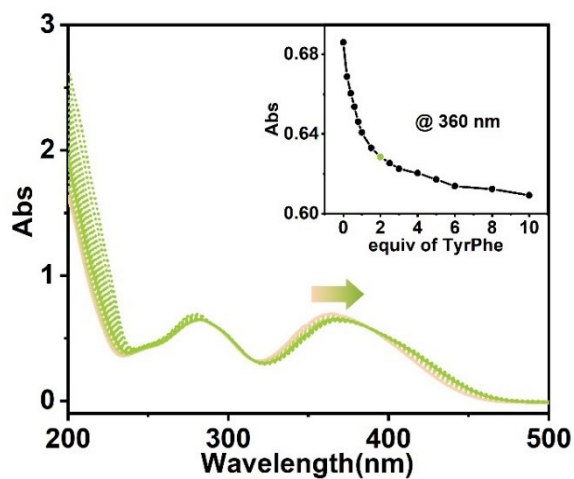


Figure S72. UV/vis titration of **1** (10 μ M) with *L*-TyrPhe in water. Insert: Plots of Abs vs the equiv of *L*-TyrPhe.

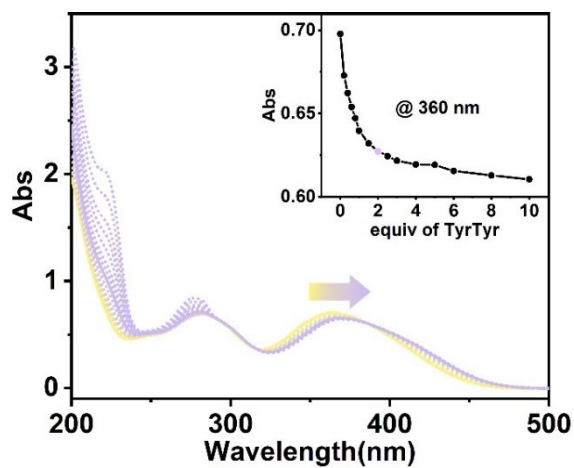


Figure S73. UV/vis titration of **1** (10 μ M) with *L*-TyrTyr in water. Insert: Plots of Abs vs the equiv of *L*-TyrTyr.

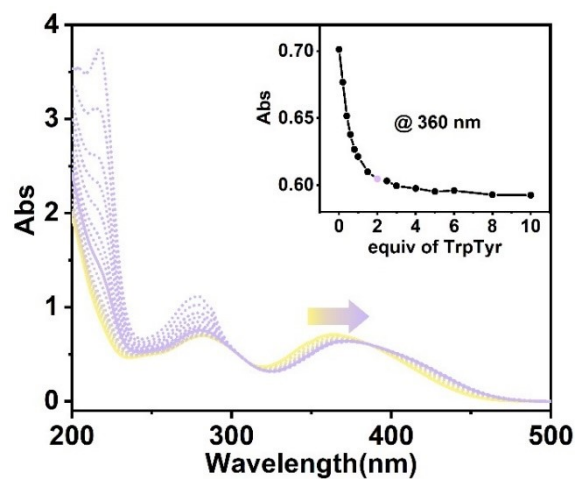


Figure S74. UV/vis titration of **1** (10 μM) with *L*-TrpTyr in water. Insert: Plots of Abs vs the equiv of *L*-TrpTyr.

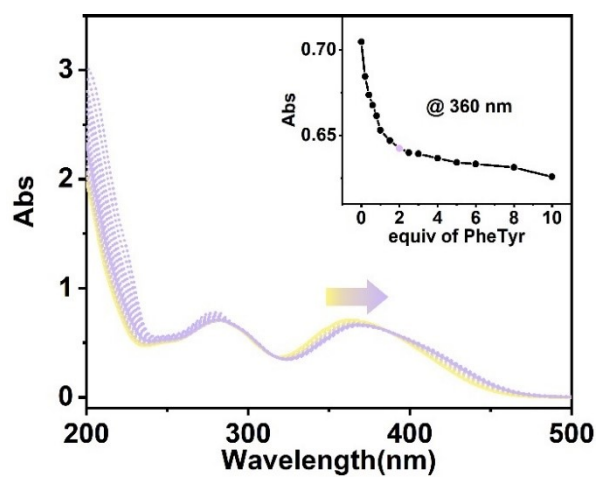


Figure S75. UV/vis titration of **1** (10 μM) with *L*-PheTyr in water. Insert: Plots of Abs vs the equiv of *L*-PheTyr.

3.2 DFT calculated structures of $1\supset(L\text{-PhePhe})_2$

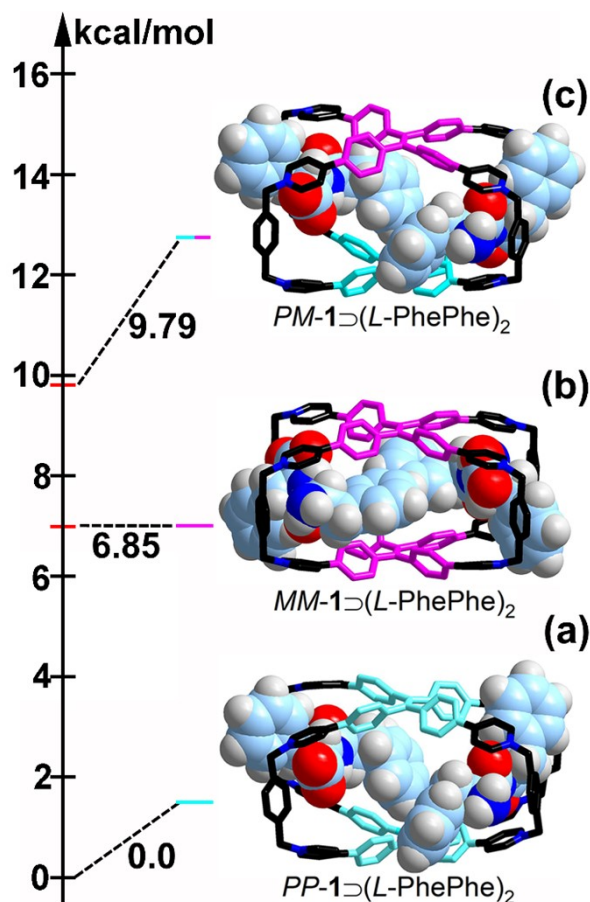


Figure S76. DFT calculated structures of a) $PP-1\supset(L\text{-PhePhe})_2$, b) $MM-1\supset(L\text{-PhePhe})_2$ and c) $PM-1\supset(L\text{-PhePhe})_2$. The geometries of the host-guest complexes were optimized by B3LYP-D3 (the hybrid functionals B3LYP augmented with dispersion correction) with 6-31G(d) basis set, and the energies were corrected using the solvation model density (SMD) method at M06-2x/def2-SVP level.

3.3 Circular dichroism, fluorescence, and circularly polarized luminescence experiments

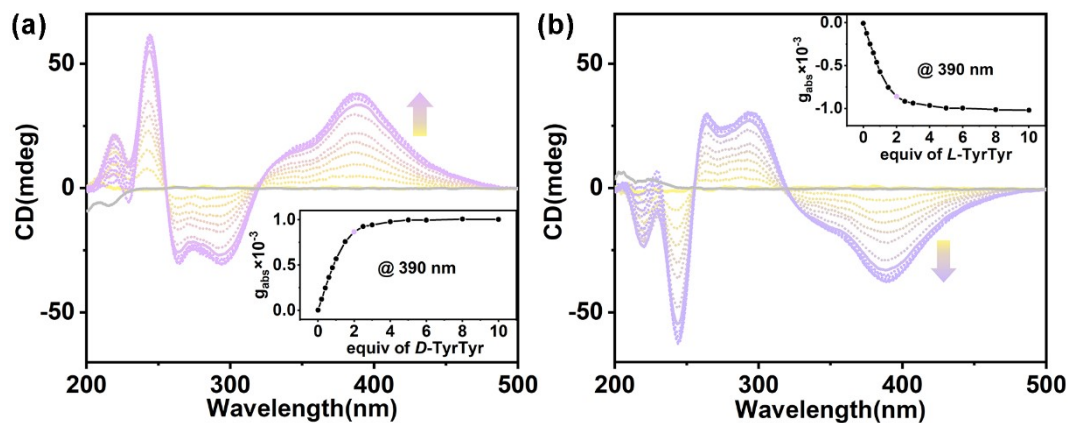


Figure S77. CD titration of **1** (20 μM) with a) *D*-TyrTyr and b) *L*-TyrTyr (0 – 10.0 equiv) in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Inset: Plots of g_{abs} vs the equiv of *D/L*-TyrTyr.

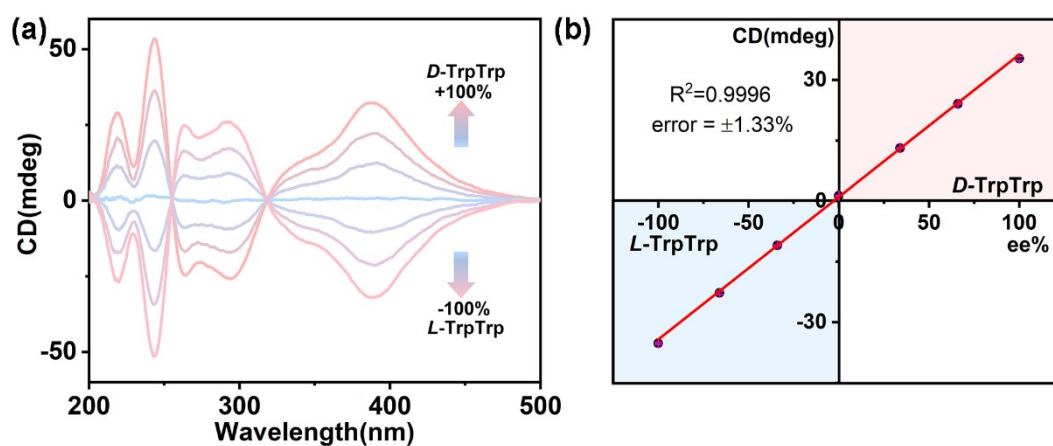


Figure S78. a) CD spectra of **1** (20 μM) in the presence of *D/L*-TrpTrp (40 μM) with *ee* ranging from -100% to +100%. b) The calibration curve obtained for the CD signals (390 nm) upon varying *ee* values of *D/L*-TrpTrp.

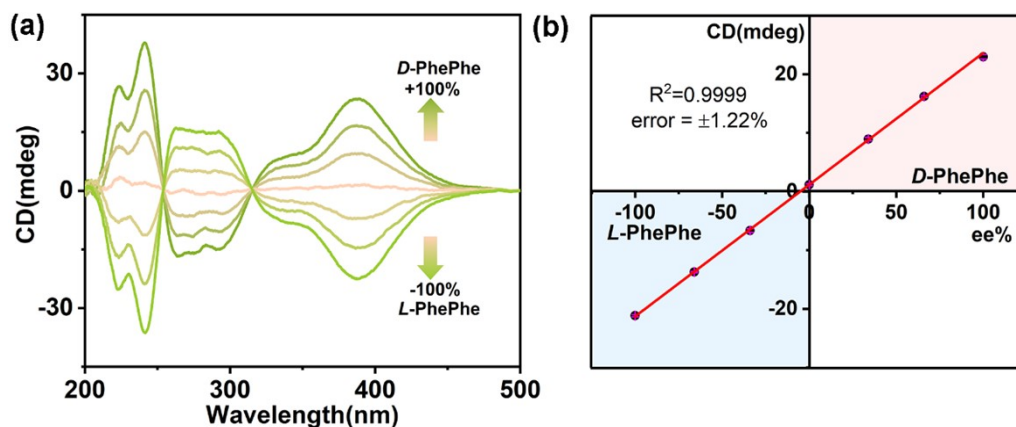


Figure S79. a) CD spectra of **1** (20 μ M) in the presence of *D/L*-PhePhe (40 μ M) with *ee* ranging from -100% to +100%. b) The calibration curve obtained for the CD signals (390 nm) upon varying *ee* values of *D/L*-PhePhe.

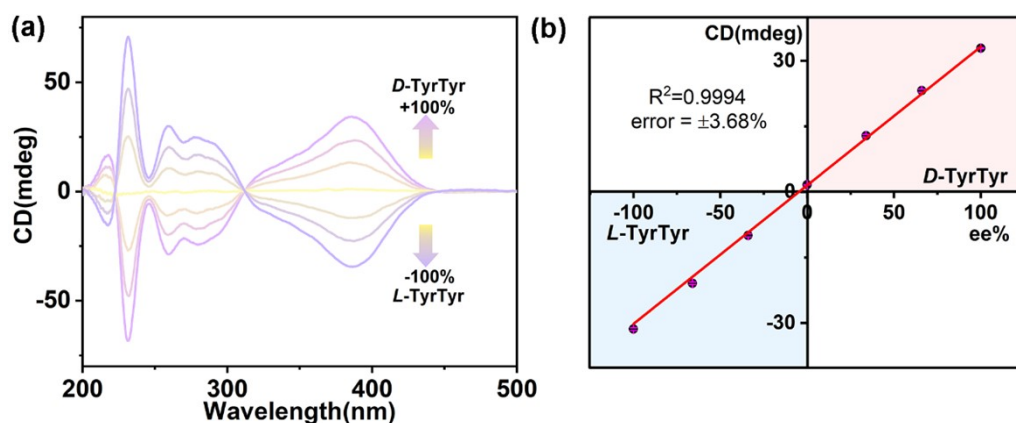


Figure S80. a) CD spectra of **1** (20 μ M) in the presence of *D/L*-TyrTyr (40 μ M) with *ee* ranging from -100% to +100%. b) The calibration curve obtained for the CD signals (390 nm) upon varying *ee* values of *D/L*-TyrTyr.

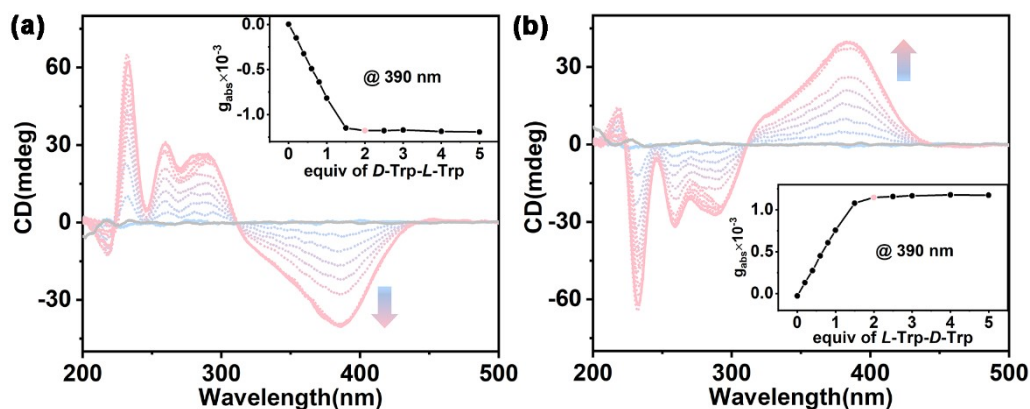


Figure S81. CD titration of **1** (20 μM) with a) *D*-Trp-*L*-Trp and b) *L*-Trp-*D*-Trp (0 – 5.0 equiv) in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Inset: Plots of g_{abs} vs the equiv of *D*-Trp-*L*-Trp or *L*-Trp-*D*-Trp.

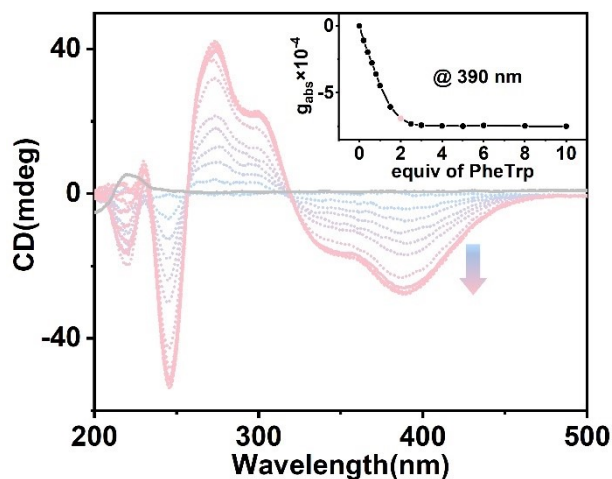


Figure S82. CD titration of **1** (20 μM) with *L*-PheTrp in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Inset: Plots of g_{abs} vs the equiv of *L*-PheTrp.

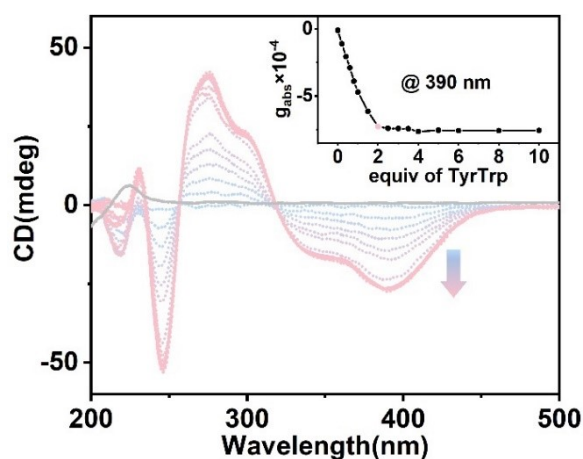


Figure S83. CD titration of **1** (20 μ M) with *L*-TyrTrp in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Insert: Plots of g_{abs} vs the equiv of *L*-TyrTrp.

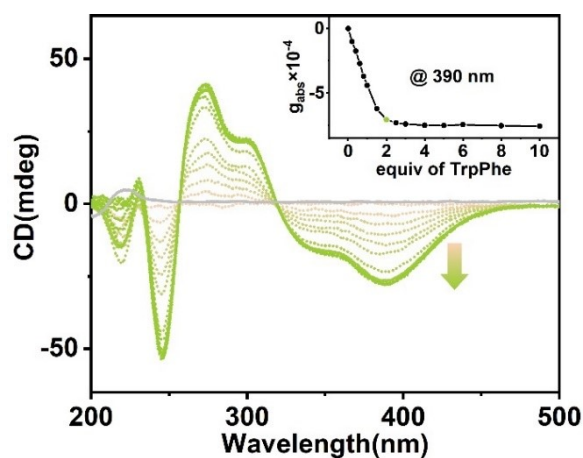


Figure S84. CD titration of **1** (20 μ M) with *L*-TrpPhe in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Insert: Plots of g_{abs} vs the equiv of *L*-TrpPhe.

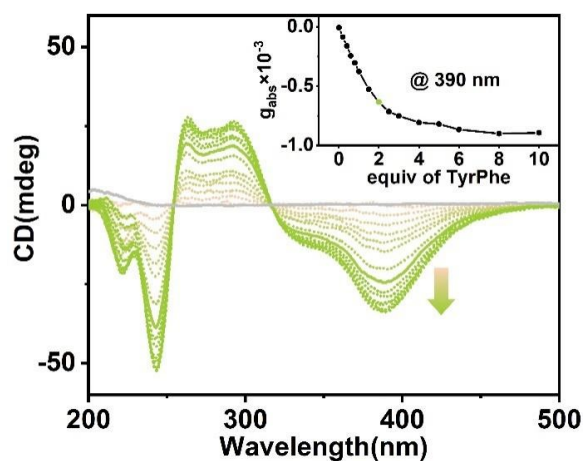


Figure S85. CD titration of **1** (20 μ M) with *L*-TyrPhe in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Insert: Plots of g_{abs} vs the equiv of *L*-TyrPhe.

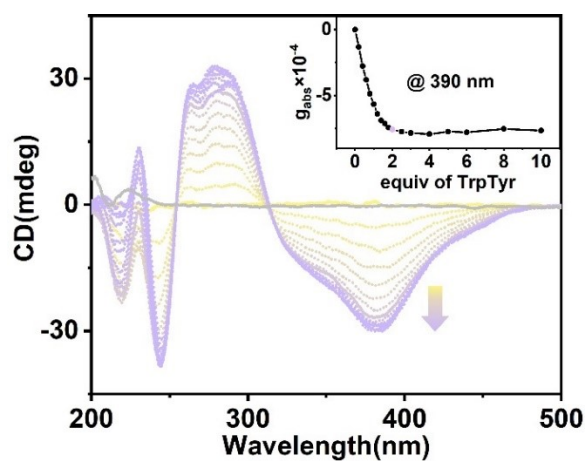


Figure S86. CD titration of **1** (20 μ M) with *L*-TrpTyr in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Insert: Plots of g_{abs} vs the equiv of *L*-TrpTyr.

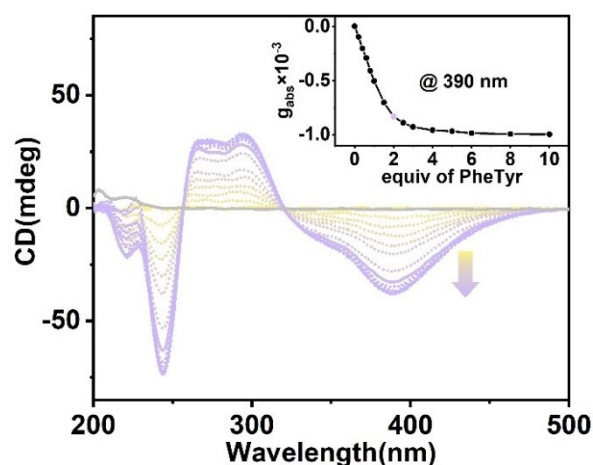


Figure S87. CD titration of **1** (20 μ M) with *L*-PheTyr in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Insert: Plots of g_{abs} vs the equiv of *L*-PheTyr.

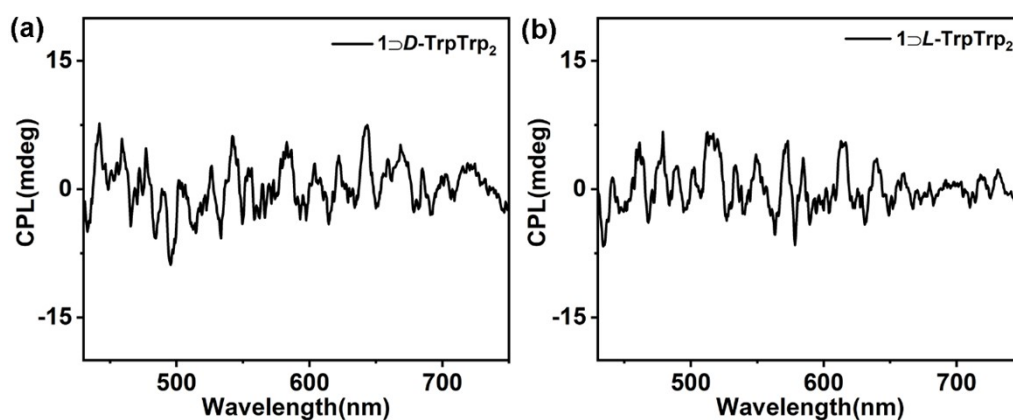


Figure S88. CPL spectra of **1** (20 μ M) with *D/L*-TrpTrp (40 μ M,) in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). λ_{ex} = 320 nm, $E_{\text{x}}/E_{\text{m}}$ slit = 3000 μ m.

4. Recognition of Tetrapeptides

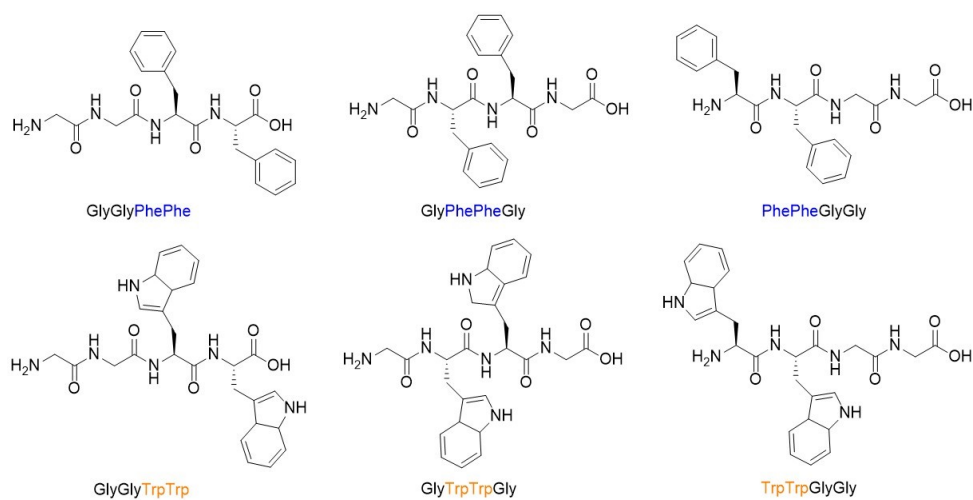


Figure S89. Chemical structures of tetrapeptides.

4.1 NMR and ITC experiments

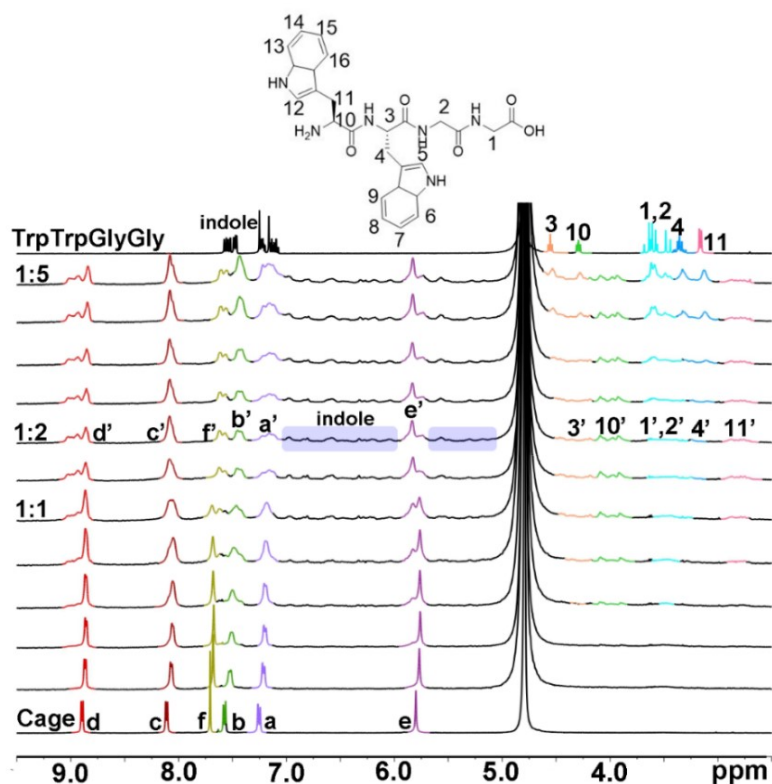


Figure S90. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with TrpTrpGlyGly (0 – 5.0 equiv).

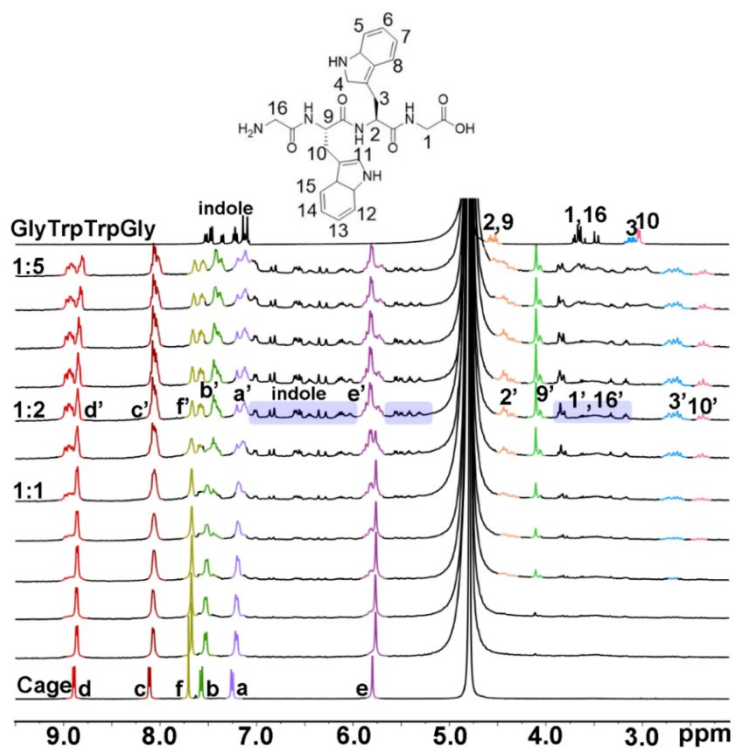


Figure S91. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with

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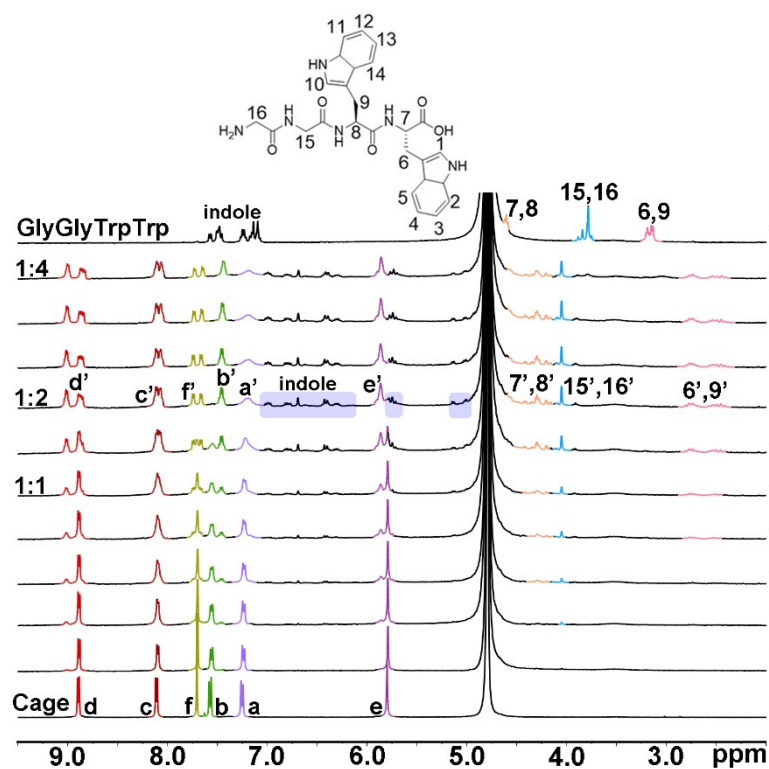


Figure S92. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with GlyGlyTrpTrp (0 – 4.0 equiv).

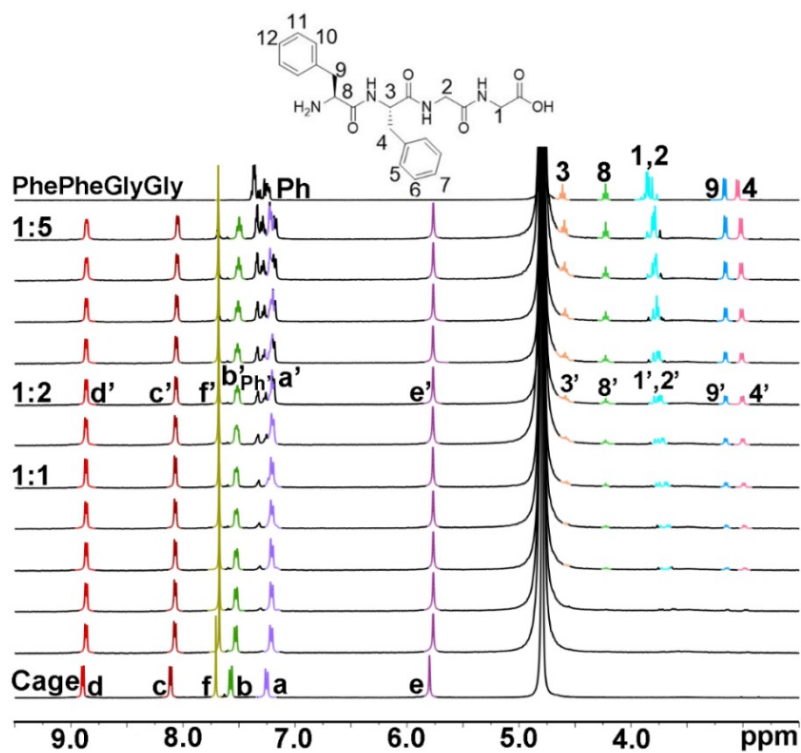


Figure S93. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with

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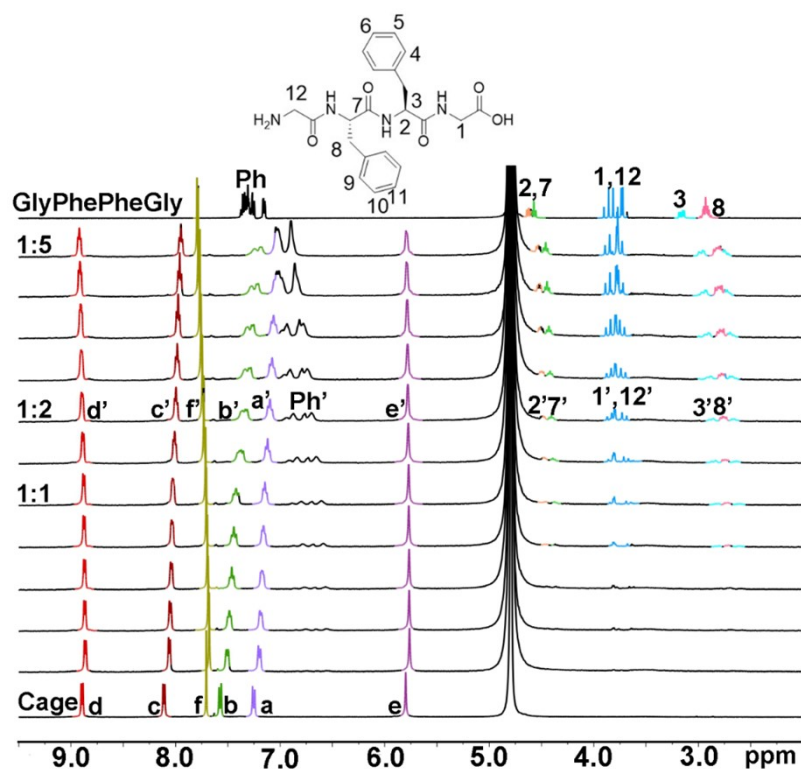


Figure S94. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with GlyPhePheGly (0 – 5.0 equiv).

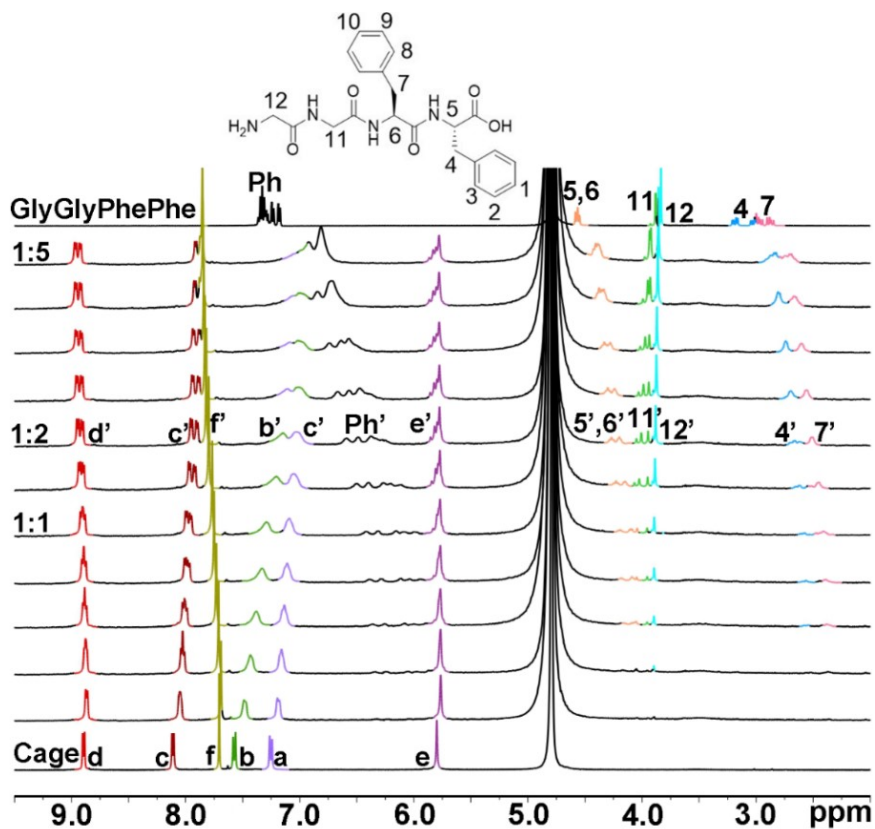


Figure S95. ^1H NMR titration (400 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with

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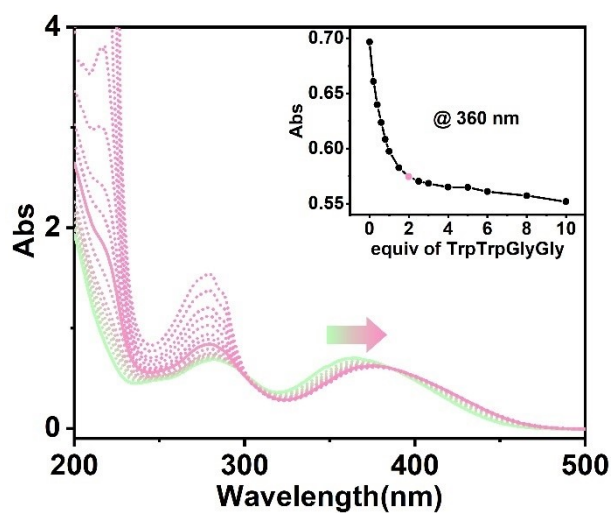


Figure S96. UV/vis titration of **1** (10 μ M) with TrpTrpGlyGly (0 – 10.0 equiv) in water.

Insert: Plots of Abs vs the equiv of TrpTrpGlyGly.

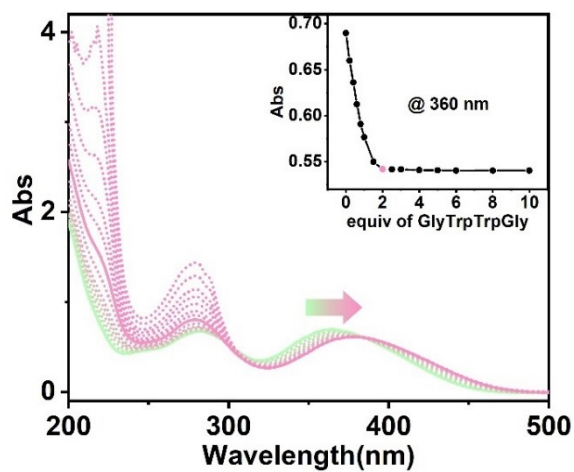


Figure S97. UV/vis titration of **1** (10 μ M) with GlyTrpTrpGly (0 – 10.0 equiv) in water.

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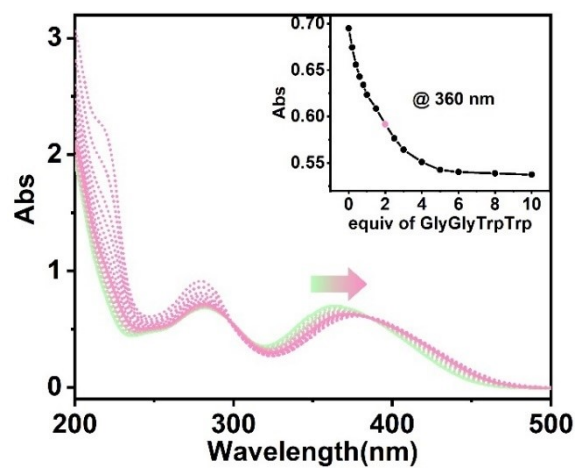


Figure S98. UV/vis titration of **1** (10 μ M) with GlyGlyTrpTrp (0 – 10.0 equiv) in water.

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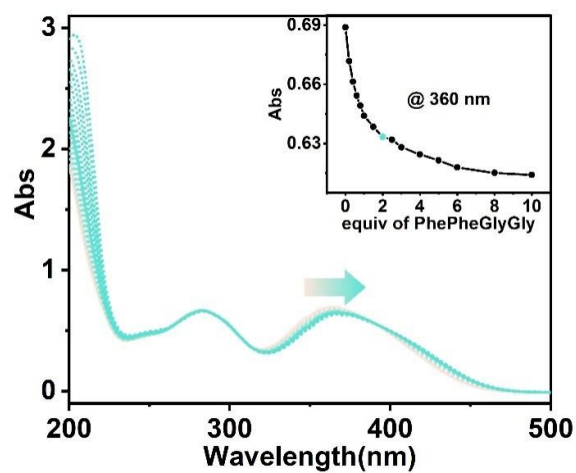


Figure S99. UV/vis titration of **1** (10 μ M) with PhePheGlyGly (0 – 10.0 equiv) in water.

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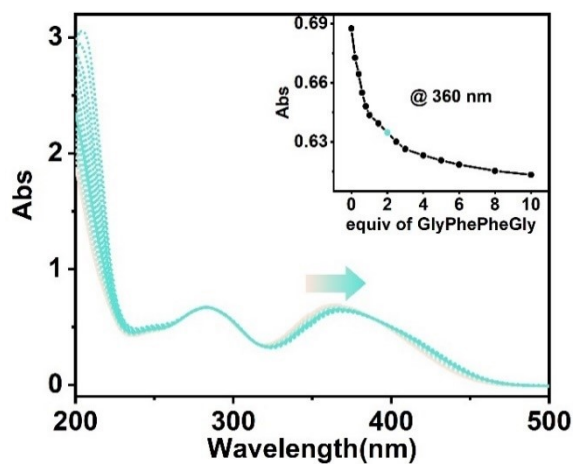


Figure S100. UV/vis titration of **1** (10 μM) with GlyPhePheGly (0 – 10.0 equiv) in water. Insert: Plots of Abs vs the equiv of GlyPhePheGly.

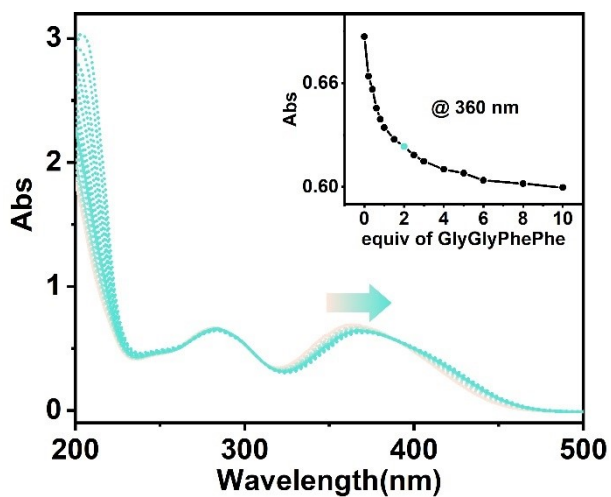


Figure S101. UV/vis titration of **1** (10 μM) with GlyGlyPhePhe (0 – 10.0 equiv) in water. Insert: Plots of Abs vs the equiv of GlyGlyPhePhe.

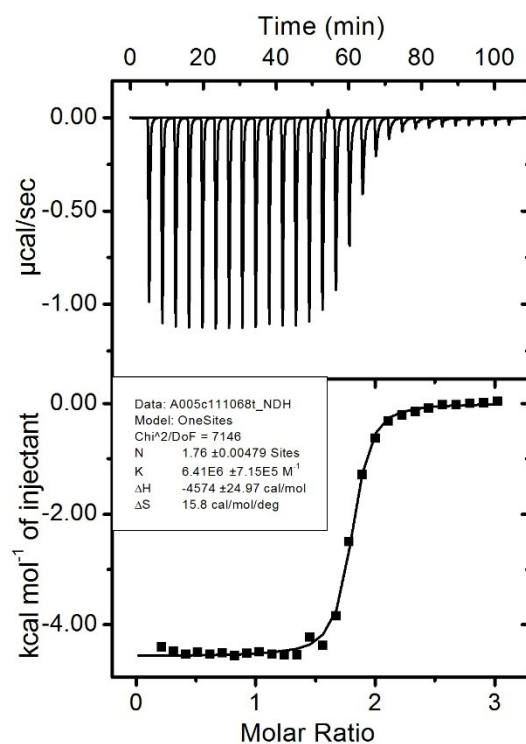


Figure S102. ITC of **1** (50 μM) with TrpTrpGlyGly (750 μM) at 298 K in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

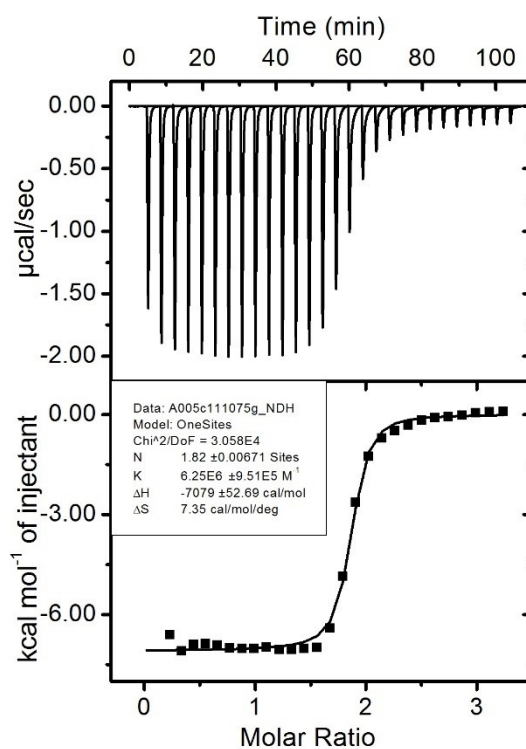


Figure S103. ITC of **1** (30 μM) with GlyTrpTrpGly (450 μM) at 298 K in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

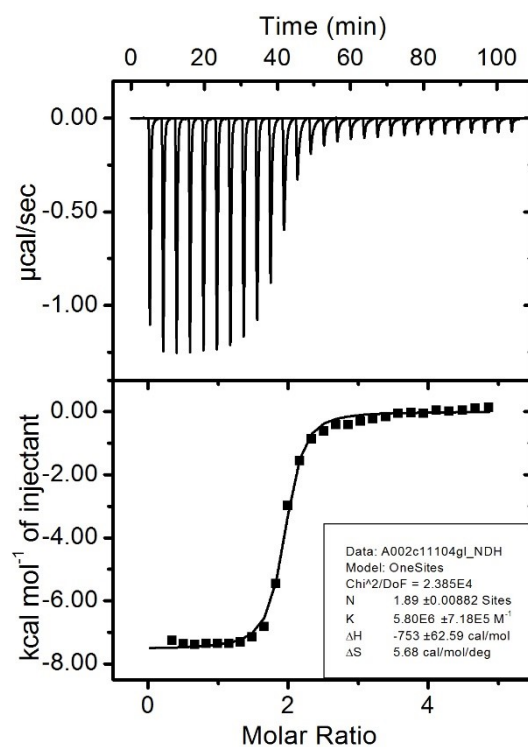


Figure S104. ITC of **1** (30 μM) with GlyGlyTrpTrp (450 μM) at 298 K in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

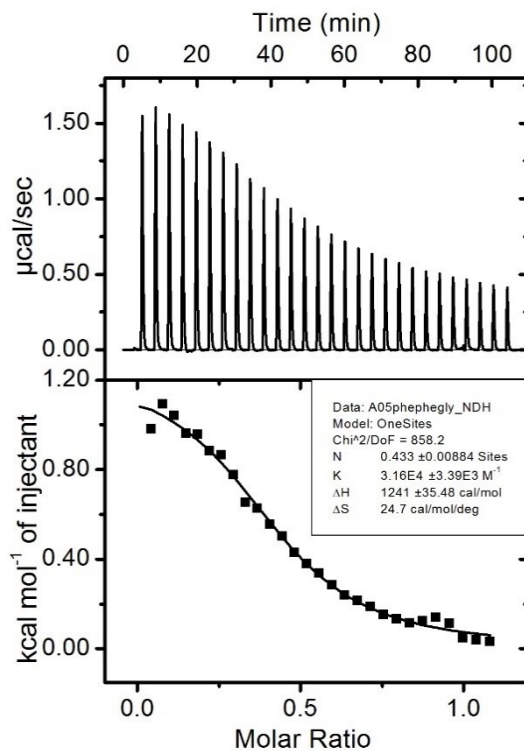


Figure S105. ITC of PhePheGlyGly (0.50 mM) with **1** (2.50 mM) at 298 K in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

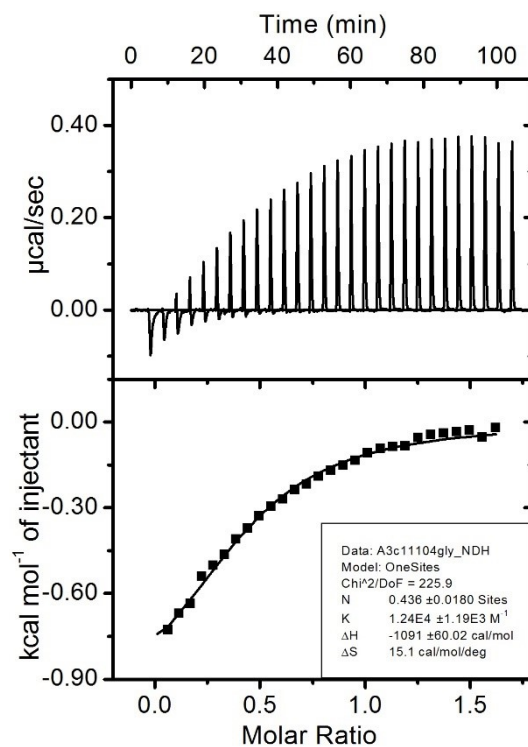


Figure S106. ITC of GlyPhePheGly (0.40 mM) with **1** (3.0 mM) at 298 K in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

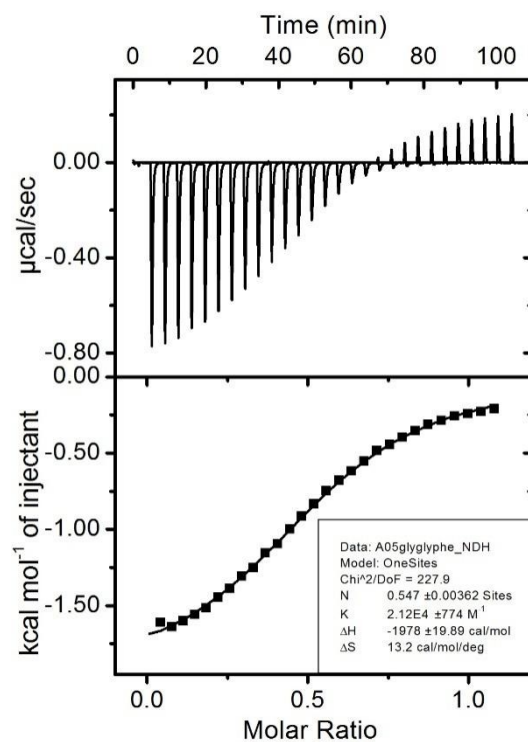


Figure S107. ITC of GlyGlyPhePhe (0.50 mM) with **1** (2.50 mM) at 298 K in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

4.2 Fluorescence and circular dichroism experiments

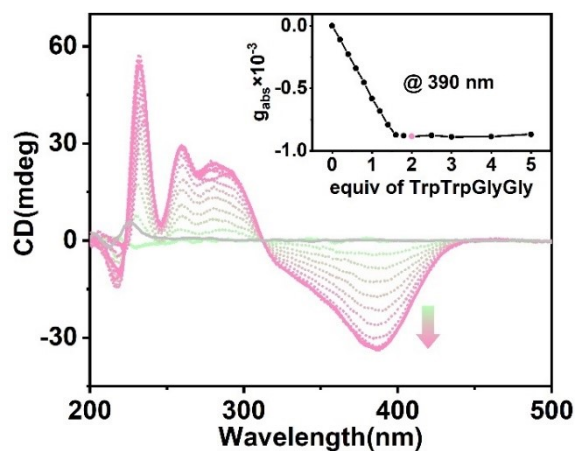


Figure S108. CD titration of **1** (20 μM) with TrpTrpGlyGly (0 – 5.0 equiv) in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Insert: Plots of g_{abs} vs the equiv of TrpTrpGlyGly.

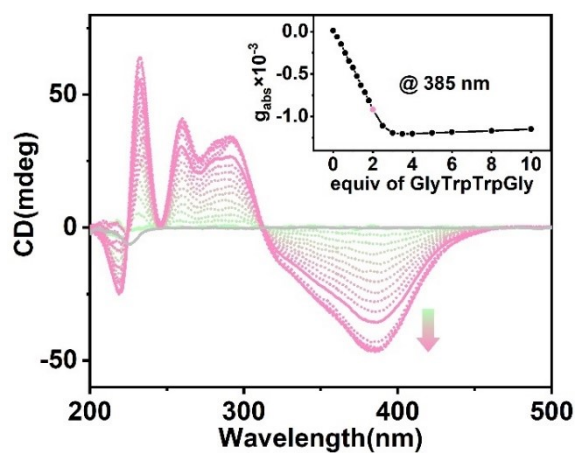


Figure S109. CD titration of **1** (20 μM) with GlyTrpTrpGly (0 – 10.0 equiv) in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Insert: Plots of g_{abs} vs the equiv of GlyTrpTrpGly.

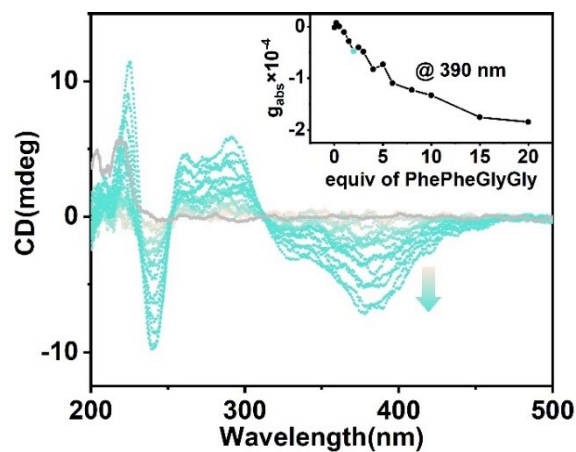


Figure S110. CD titration of **1** (20 μ M) with PhePheGlyGly (0 – 20.0 equiv) in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Insert: Plots of g_{abs} vs the equiv of PhePheGlyGly.

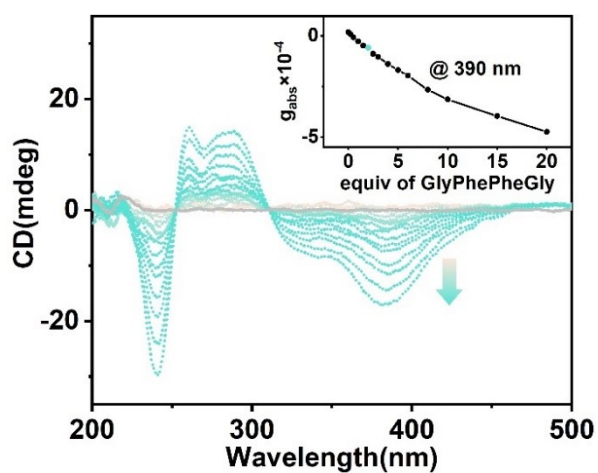


Figure S111. CD titration of **1** (20 μ M) with GlyPhePheGly (0 – 20.0 equiv) in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Insert: Plots of g_{abs} vs the equiv of GlyPhePheGly.

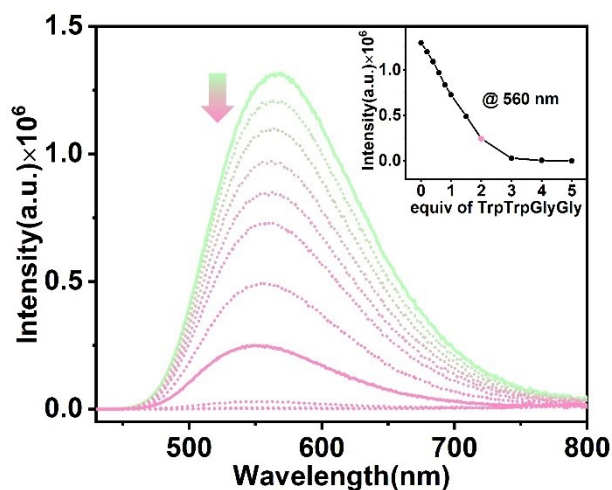


Figure S112. Fluorescence titration of **1** (10 μ M) with TrpTrpGlyGly (0 – 5.0 equiv) in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Insert: Plots of fluorescence intensity versus the equiv of TrpTrpGlyGly. λ_{ex} = 410 nm, $E_{\text{x}}/E_{\text{m}}$ slit = 1.2 nm.

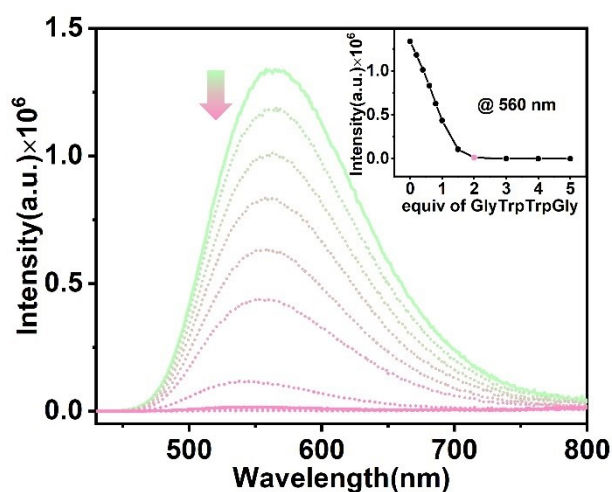


Figure S113. Fluorescence titration of **1** (10 μ M) with GlyTrpTrpGly (0 – 5.0 equiv) in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Insert: Plots of fluorescence intensity versus the equiv of GlyTrpTrpGly. λ_{ex} = 410 nm, $E_{\text{x}}/E_{\text{m}}$ slit = 1.2 nm.

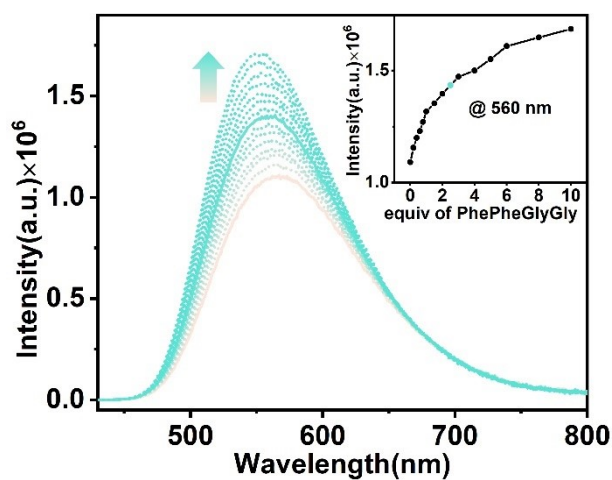


Figure S114. Fluorescence titration of **1** (10 μ M) with PhePheGlyGly (0 – 10.0 equiv) in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Insert: Plots of fluorescence intensity versus the equiv of PhePheGlyGly. λ_{ex} = 410 nm, $E_{\text{x}}/E_{\text{m}}$ slit = 1.2 nm.

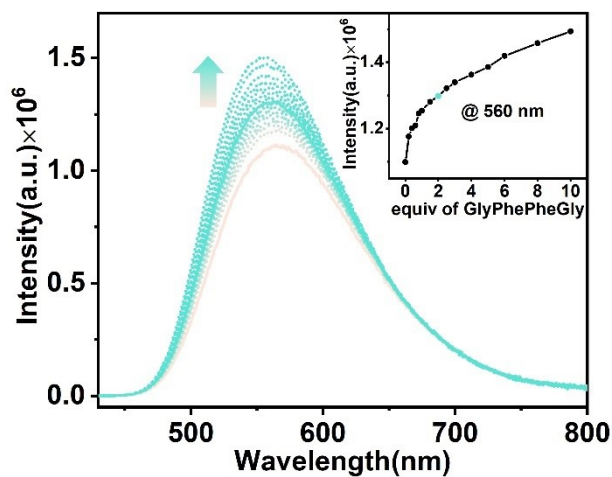


Figure S115. Fluorescence titration of **1** (10 μ M) with GlyPhePheGly (0 – 10.0 equiv) in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Insert: Plots of fluorescence intensity versus the equiv of GlyPhePheGly. λ_{ex} = 410 nm, $E_{\text{x}}/E_{\text{m}}$ slit = 1.2 nm.

5. Recognition of Polypeptides and Proteins

5.1 NMR and ITC experiments

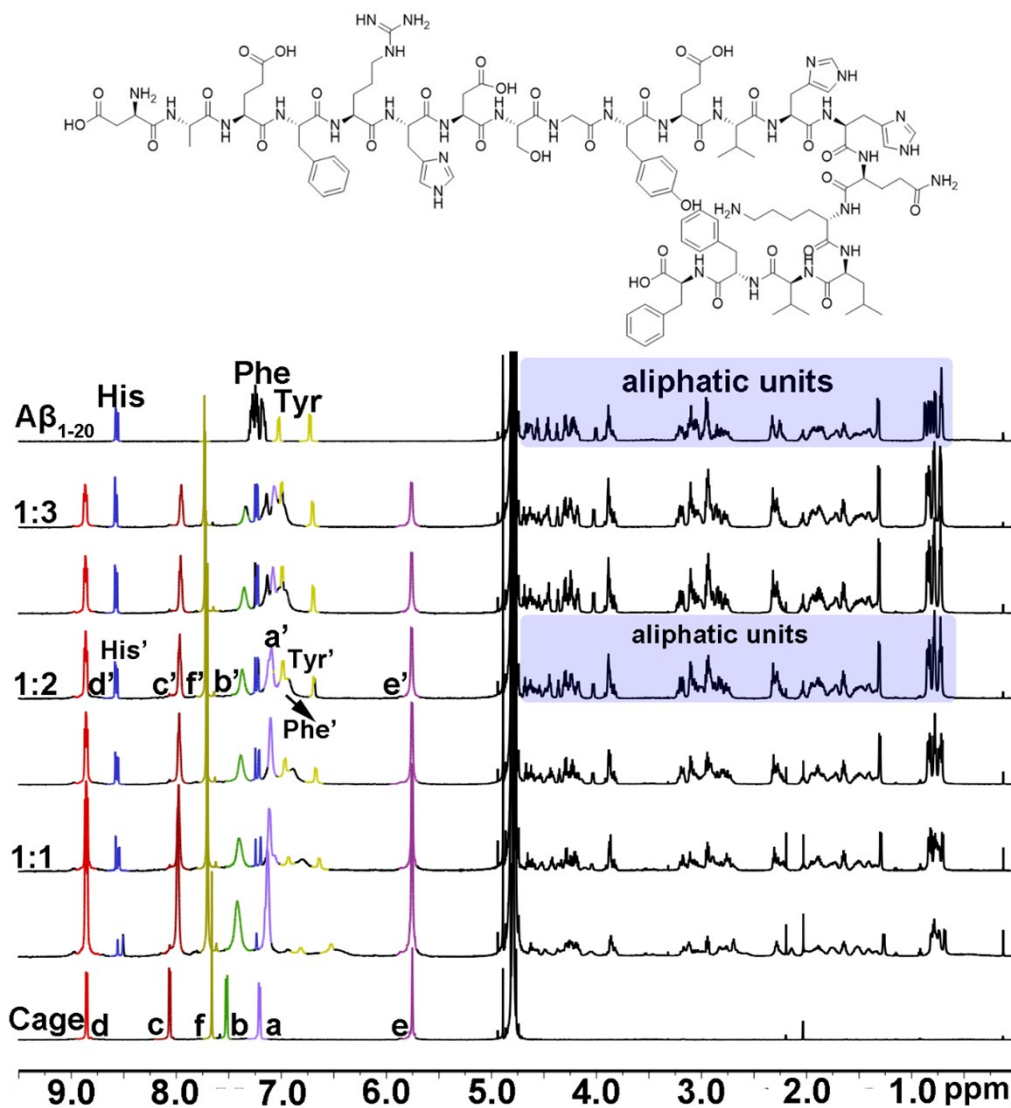


Figure S116. ^1H NMR titration (600 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with A β ₁₋₂₀ (0 – 3.0 equiv).

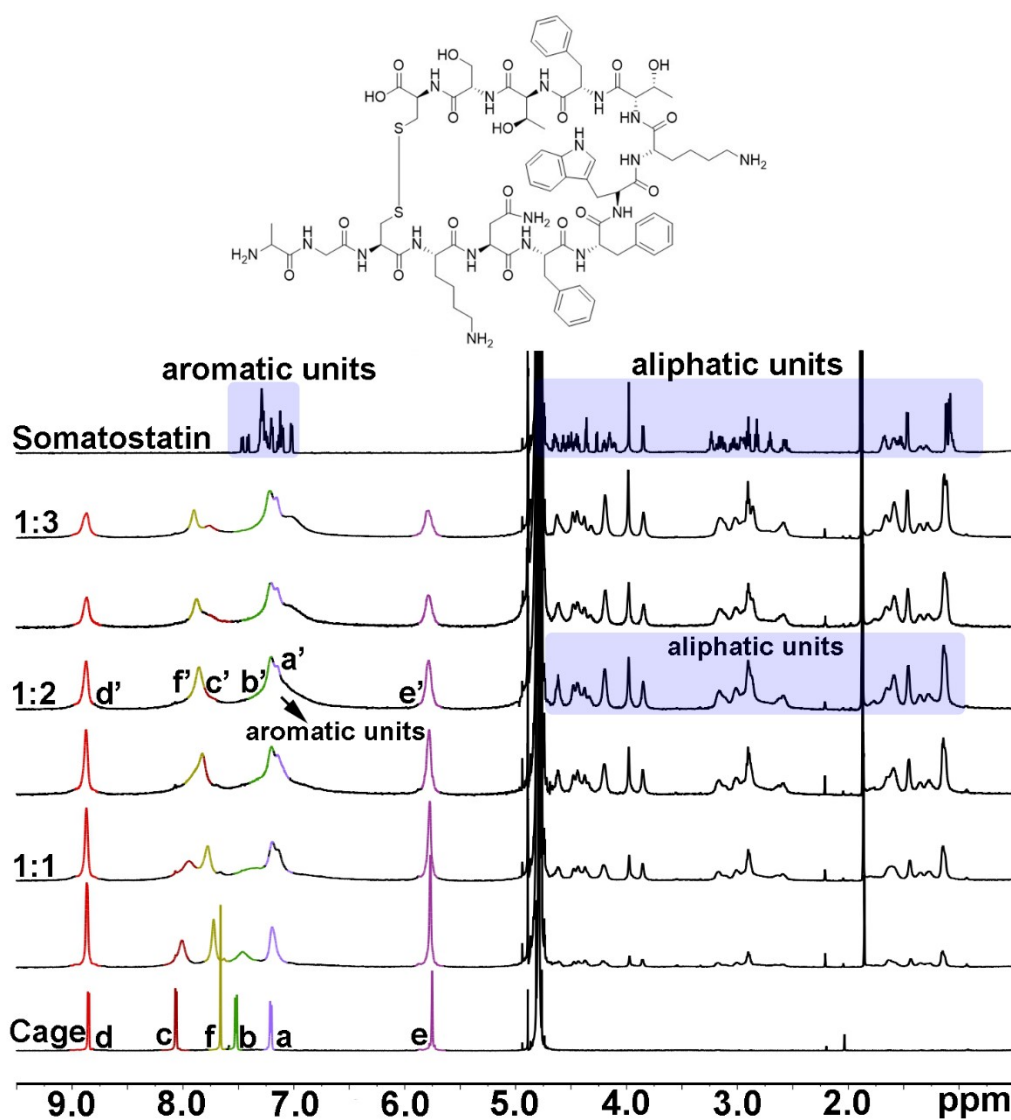


Figure S117. ^1H NMR titration (600 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of **1** (0.40 mM) with somatostatin (0 – 3.0 equiv).

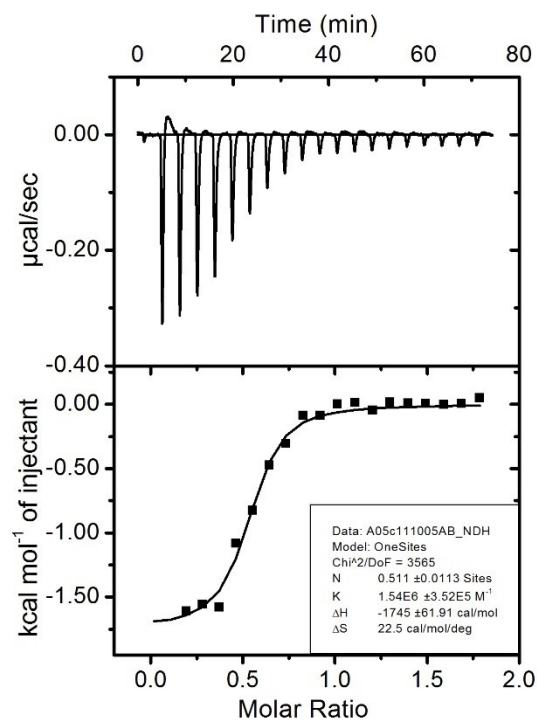


Figure S118. ITC of A β_{1-20} (50 μ M) with **1** (0.50 mM) at 298 K in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

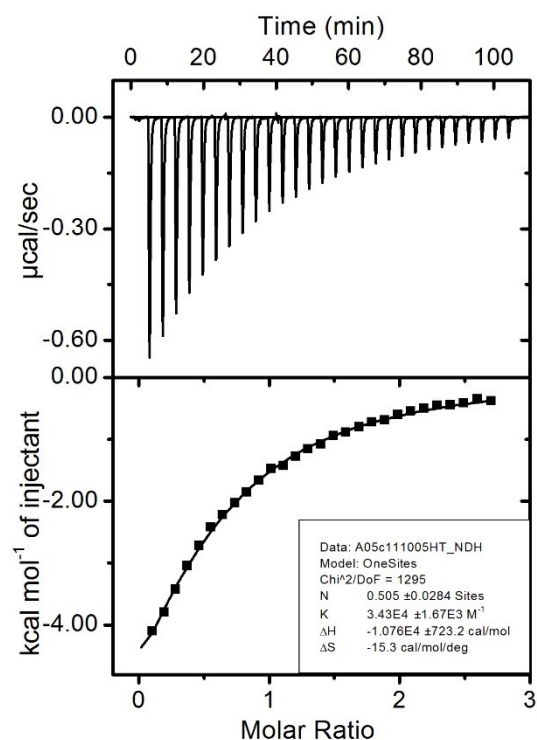


Figure S119. ITC of somatostatin (50 μ M) with **1** (0.50 mM) at 298 K in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

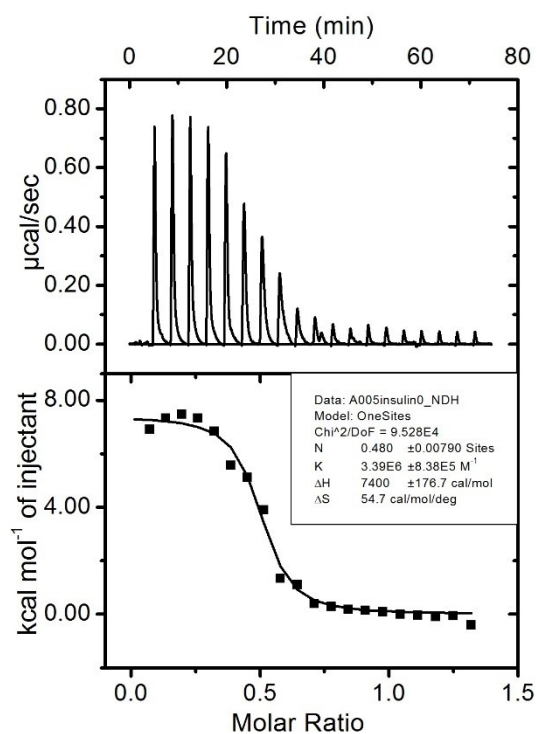


Figure S120. ITC of human insulin (50 μM) with **1** (0.35 mM) at 298 K in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4).

5.2 UV-vis, fluorescence, and circular dichroism experiments

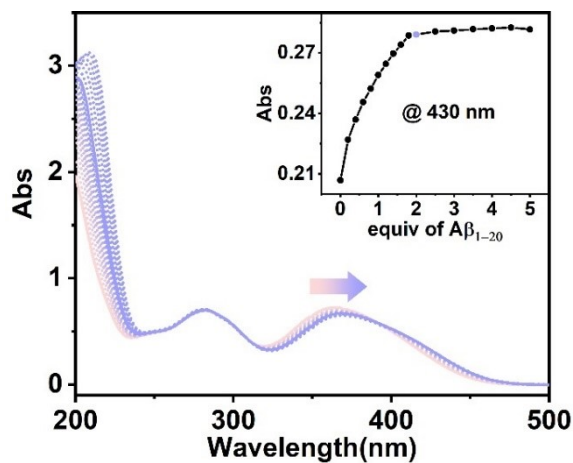


Figure S121. UV/vis titration of **1** (10 μM) with $\text{A}\beta_{1-20}$ (0 – 5.0 equiv) in water. Insert: Plots of Abs vs the equiv of $\text{A}\beta_{1-20}$.

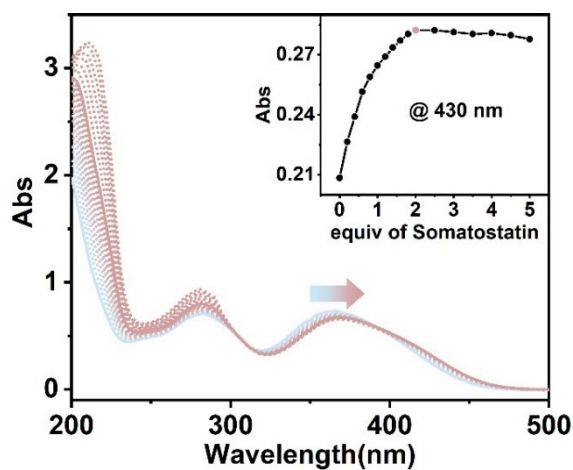


Figure S122. UV/vis titration of **1** (10 μ M) with somatostatin (0 – 5.0 equiv) in water.

Insert: Plots of Abs vs the equiv of somatostatin.

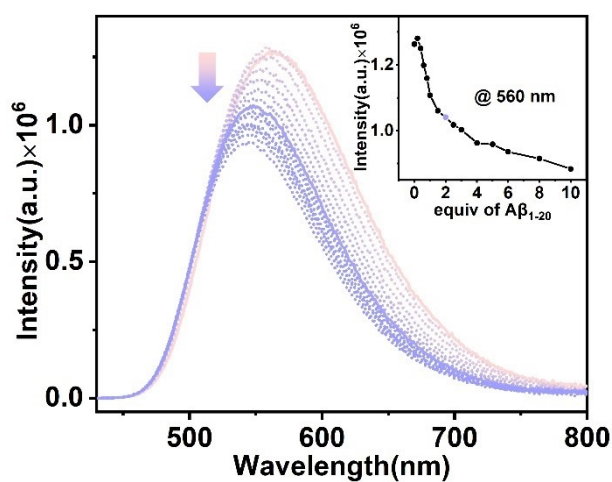


Figure S123. Fluorescence titration of **1** (10 μ M) with $A\beta_{1-20}$ (0 – 10.0 equiv) in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Insert: Plots of fluorescence intensity versus the equiv of $A\beta_{1-20}$. $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 410$ nm, $E_{\text{x}}/E_{\text{m}}$ slit = 1.2 nm.

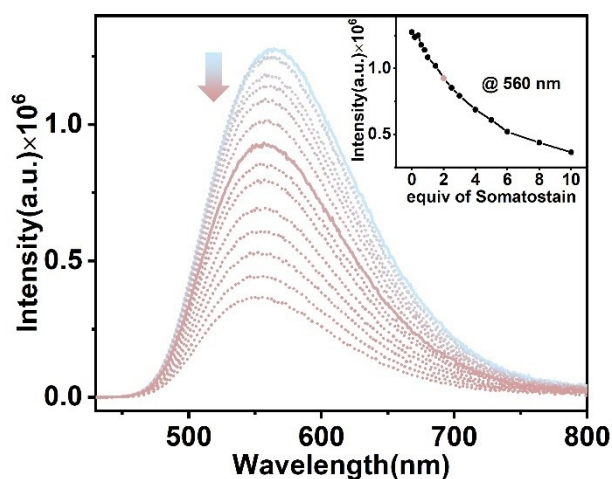


Figure S124. Fluorescence titration of **1** (10 μ M) with somatostatin (0 – 10.0 equiv) in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Insert: Plots of fluorescence intensity versus the equiv of somatostatin. λ_{ex} = 410 nm, $E_{\text{x}}/E_{\text{m}}$ slit = 1.2 nm.

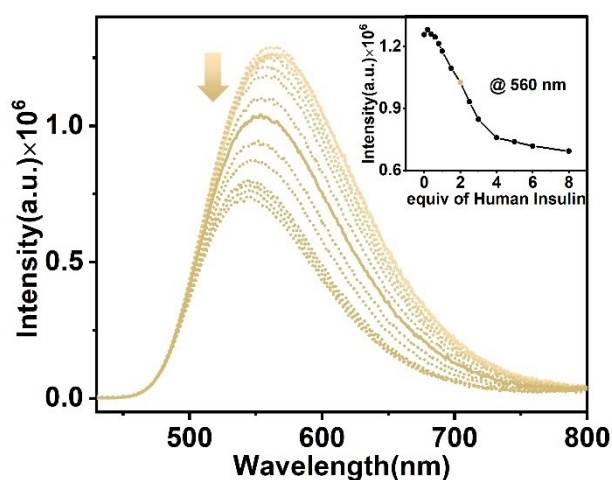


Figure S125. Fluorescence titration of **1** (10 μ M) with human insulin (0 – 8.0 equiv) in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Insert: Plots of fluorescence intensity versus the equiv of human insulin. λ_{ex} = 410 nm, $E_{\text{x}}/E_{\text{m}}$ slit = 1.2 nm.

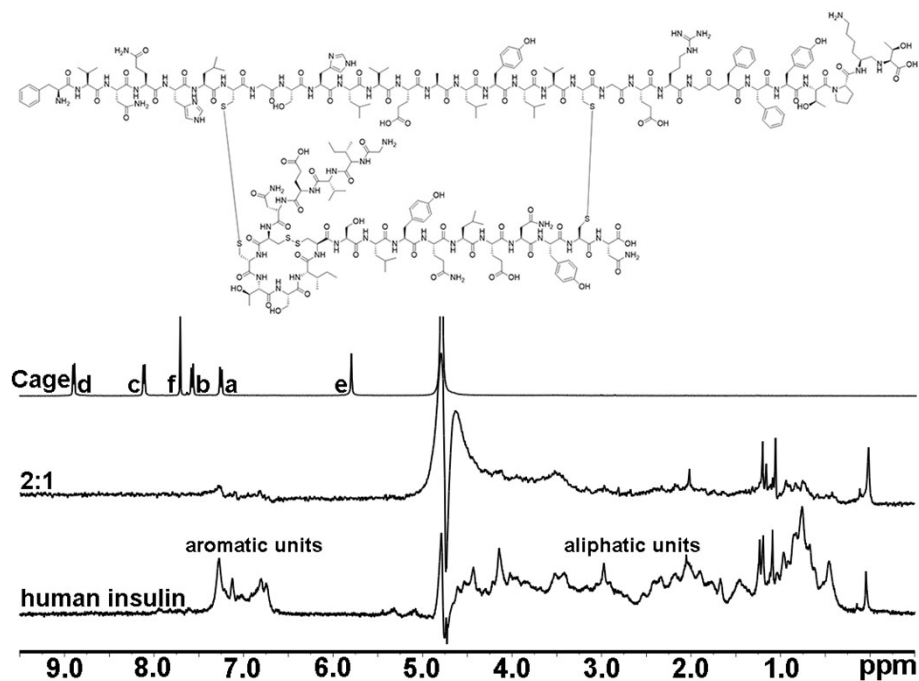


Figure S126. ^1H NMR titration (600 MHz, 298 K, D_2O) of human insulin (50 μM) with **1** (0.5 equiv).

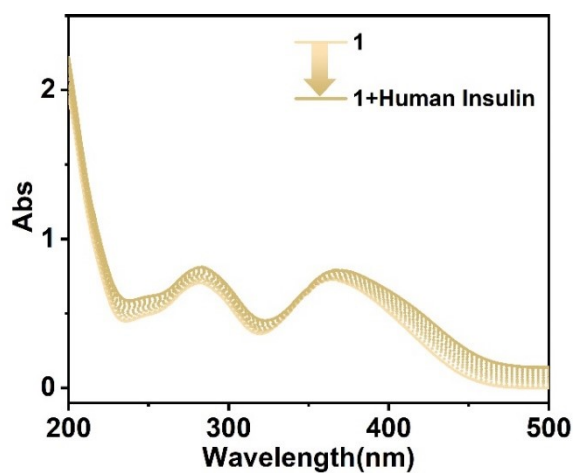


Figure S127. UV/vis titration of **1** (10 μM) with human insulin (0 – 2.0 equiv) in water. Insert: Plots of Abs vs the equiv of human insulin.

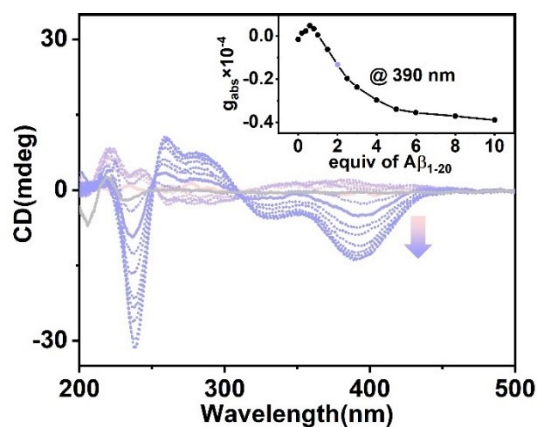


Figure S128. CD titration of **1** (20 μM) with $\text{A}\beta_{1-20}$ (0 – 10.0 equiv) in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Insert: Plots of g_{abs} vs the equiv of $\text{A}\beta_{1-20}$.

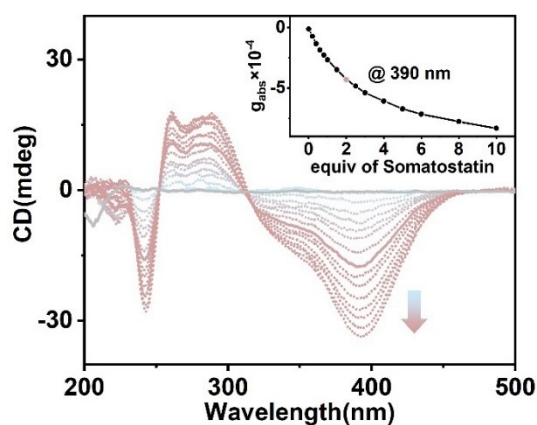


Figure S129. CD titration of **1** (20 μM) with somatostatin (0 – 10.0 equiv) in phosphate buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Insert: Plots of g_{abs} vs the equiv of somatostatin.

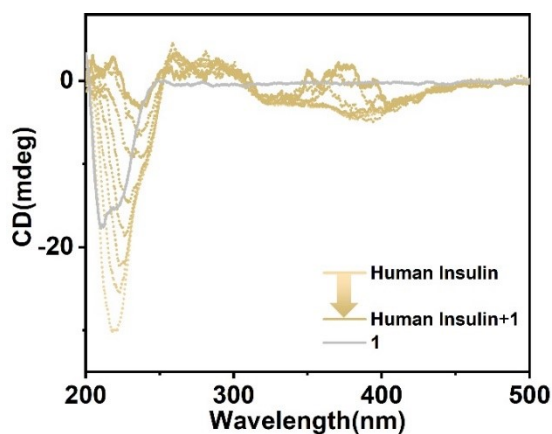


Figure S130. CD titration of human insulin (20 μM) with **1** (0 – 2.5 equiv) in phosphate

buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4). Insert: Plots of g_{abs} vs the equiv of human insulin.