

## **Supplementary Material**

# **A microscopic insight from conformational thermodynamics to functional ligand binding in proteins**

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**Table S1.** Conformational thermodynamic changes (kJ/mol) of all the dihedrals of the metal binding loop aspartates upon  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  binding to native apo-aLA. The  $\Delta G_i^{\text{conf}}$  and  $T\Delta S_i^{\text{conf}}$  in the last two columns indicate the total change for each residue by adding individual dihedral contributions.

	$\Delta G_{\phi}^{\text{conf}}$	$T\Delta S_{\phi}^{\text{conf}}$	$\Delta G_{\psi}^{\text{conf}}$	$T\Delta S_{\psi}^{\text{conf}}$	$\Delta G_{\chi 1}^{\text{conf}}$	$T\Delta S_{\chi 1}^{\text{conf}}$	$\Delta G_{\chi 2}^{\text{conf}}$	$T\Delta S_{\chi 2}^{\text{conf}}$	$\Delta G_i^{\text{conf}}$	$T\Delta S_i^{\text{conf}}$
D82	-0.75	-1.25	2.0	-0.2	-0.5	-1.1	-0.05	-1.0	0.7	-3.5
D84	0.5	0.1	-0.1	1.65	1.5	-0.2	0.25	2.75	2.15	4.3
D87	-0.4	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-0.25	-0.3	0.25	2.2	-0.7	1.3
D88	-0.1	-0.05	0	0	0.2	0.35	0.2	1.9	0.3	2.2

**Table S2.** Conformational thermodynamic changes (kJ/mol) in residues from A1 and A2 helices upon  $\text{Ca}^{2+}/\text{Mg}^{2+}$  binding to native apo-aLA.

Residue #	Residue	$\Delta G_i^{\text{conf}} (\text{Ca}^{2+})$	$T\Delta S_i^{\text{conf}} (\text{Ca}^{2+})$	$\Delta G_i^{\text{conf}} (\text{Mg}^{2+})$	$T\Delta S_i^{\text{conf}} (\text{Mg}^{2+})$
5	LYS	1.0	6.4	0.3	-0.8
6	CYS	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.2
7	GLU	0.6	4.9	0.9	3.7
8	VAL	-0.3	-0.9	0.2	0.2
9	PHE	1.3	7.0	0.6	2.8
10	ARG	-1.5	-6.2	2.8	2.9
11	GLU	0.6	5.6	0.2	0.2
12	LEU	0.05	-1.1	-1.1	-4.9
13	LYS	0.12	-4.0	-0.8	-3.5
14	ASP	-0.6	-1.4	-2.8	-2.3
15	LEU	-0.3	-3.1	0.1	-1.6
16	LYS	-0.7	-5.3	0.3	2.3
17	GLY	0.0	-0.3	0.7	1.0
18	TYR	-0.6	-4.2	1.0	1.2
19	GLY	-0.3	-0.2	-0.5	-0.4
20	GLY	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.5
21	VAL	-0.9	-1.7	-0.4	-3.4
22	SER	-0.3	-5.0	0.0	0.0
23	LEU	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-3.5
24	PRO	0.1	1.1	0.9	1.3
25	GLU	-0.9	-2.0	-0.8	-4.1
26	TRP	0.9	0.1	-0.4	-0.7
27	VAL	-0.4	-3.0	-0.3	-3.3
28	CYS	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1
29	THR	0.0	-1.5	-0.1	-0.7
30	THR	-0.2	0.6	-1.3	-2.8
31	PHE	-0.6	-4.9	-0.4	-2.1
32	HSE	0.2	2.1	0.2	0.6
33	THR	0.1	-0.4	-0.9	-2.1
34	SER	-0.8	2.2	-0.6	-2.0

**Table S3.** Conformational thermodynamic changes (kJ/mol) at the interfacial residues upon  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ / $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  binding to native apo-aLA

Residue #	Residue	$\Delta G_i^{\text{conf}} (\text{Ca}^{2+})$	$T\Delta S_i^{\text{conf}} (\text{Ca}^{2+})$	$\Delta G_i^{\text{conf}} (\text{Mg}^{2+})$	$T\Delta S_i^{\text{conf}} (\text{Mg}^{2+})$
50	TYR	-0.6	1.6	-1.1	-4.0
51	GLY	0.0	-0.7	0.1	-0.7
52	LEU	-0.4	-0.5	-1.1	0.4
53	PHE	0.0	1.4	-0.6	-3.2
54	GLN	-0.4	-5.7	-0.5	-3.5
55	ILE	0.2	-1.4	0.5	-0.4
56	ASN	-0.5	-5.2	0.3	2.6
57	ASN	0.0	1.5	0.0	-1.9
58	LYS	-0.7	-0.7	-1.3	-2.4
59	ILE	0.9	0.8	0.6	-0.5
60	TRP	1.4	-0.4	3.6	2.3
86	THR	-0.8	-1.7	-0.9	-1.9
87	ASP	-0.7	1.3	-1.3	-1.4
88	ASP	0.3	2.2	-0.7	-1.6
89	ILE	-0.6	-1.5	0.0	2.3
90	MET	0.0	-0.1	0.1	0.5
91	CYS	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.0
92	VAL	-1.0	-3.6	-1.2	-5.2
93	LYS	-1.2	-2.8	-0.2	-0.1
94	LYS	-0.9	-4.0	-0.4	0.1
95	ILE	3.4	2.9	-1.0	-2.7
96	LEU	-0.5	-5.3	-0.5	-3.7
97	ASP	0.1	-0.2	-0.2	-0.7
98	LYS	-0.5	-2.8	-0.6	-1.1
99	VAL	-0.6	-2.4	-0.8	-1.4
100	GLY	-0.7	-1.1	-0.8	-0.7
101	ILE	-1.0	-5.7	-0.2	0.2
102	ASN	2.3	5.7	1.2	0.5
103	TYR	0.3	5.0	0.0	-0.1
104	TRP	-1.0	1.2	-1.9	-1.3

**Figure Captions:**

Fig. S1. The Ramachandran plot of simulated  $Mg^{2+}$ -aLA complex.

Fig. S2. The convergence of equilibrium dihedral distributions corresponding to five samples generated randomly from the 80-100 ns trajectory, for a few representative dihedrals in apo-,  $Ca^{2+}$ -,  $Mg^{2+}$ -aLA.

Fig. S3. The conformational thermodynamic changes (in kJ/mol) at the residues of the MBL upon metal binding are illustrated. (a)  $\Delta G_{MBL,i}^{conf}$ , (b)  $T\Delta S_{MBL,i}^{conf}$  of  $Ca^{2+}$ -aLA (c)  $\Delta G_{MBL,i}^{conf}$  and (d)  $T\Delta S_{MBL,i}^{conf}$  upon  $Mg^{2+}$  binding.

Fig. S4. Representative equilibrium dihedral distributions in native-apo,  $Ca^{2+}$ - and  $Mg^{2+}$ -aLA: (a)  $\psi$  of K79. (b)  $\psi$  of D82. (c)  $\psi$  of D84. (d)  $\phi$  of D87. (e)  $\psi$  of F80. (f)  $\phi$  of L81.

Fig. S5. Representative equilibrium dihedral distributions in native-apo,  $Ca^{2+}$ - and  $Mg^{2+}$ -aLA: (a)  $\chi_1$  and (b)  $\chi_2$  of K79. (c)  $\chi_1$  of D82. (d)  $\chi_2$  of D84. (e)  $\chi_2$  of D87. (f)  $\chi_1$  of D88.

Fig. S6. Multiple Sequence Alignment (MSA) of aLA sequences from different species. The predicted oleic acid binding residues, H32, W60, I95 and W104 are conserved; however, I59 shows weak conservation across the sequences.

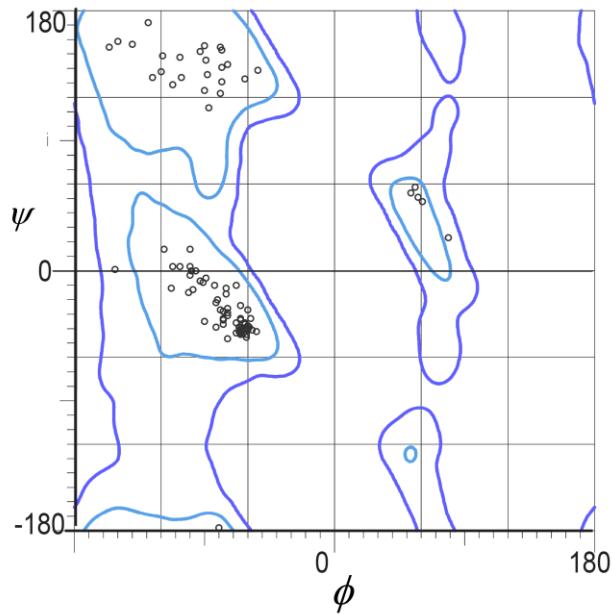


Fig S1

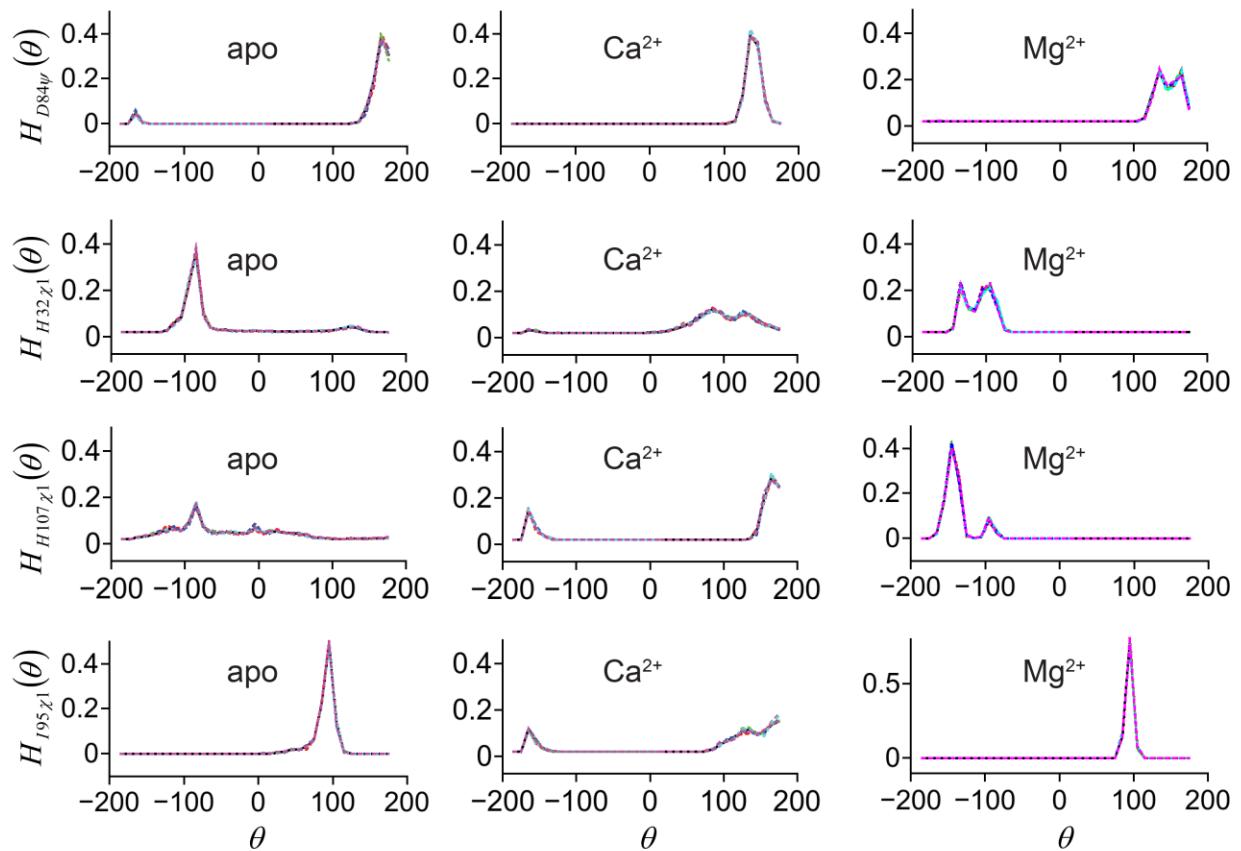


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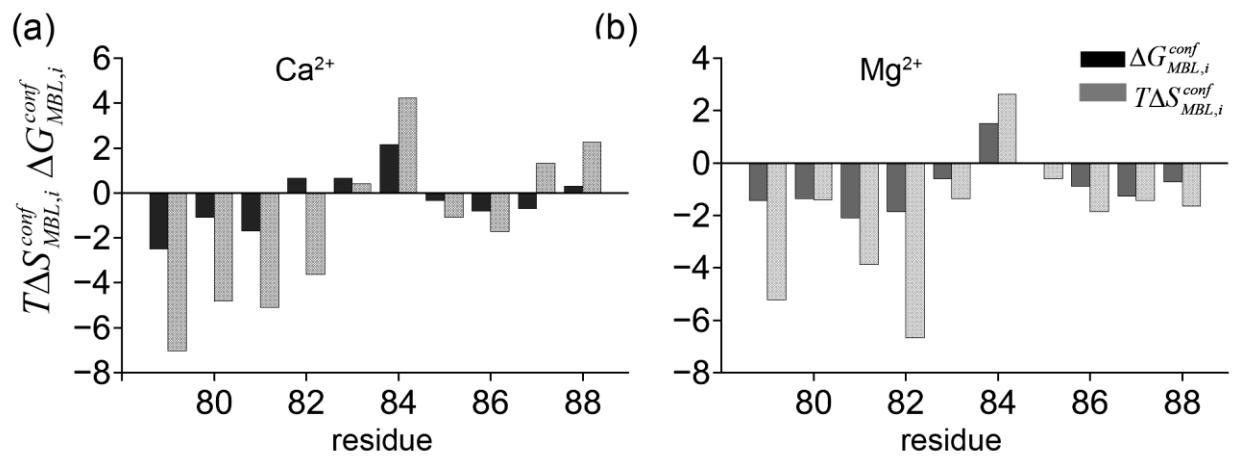


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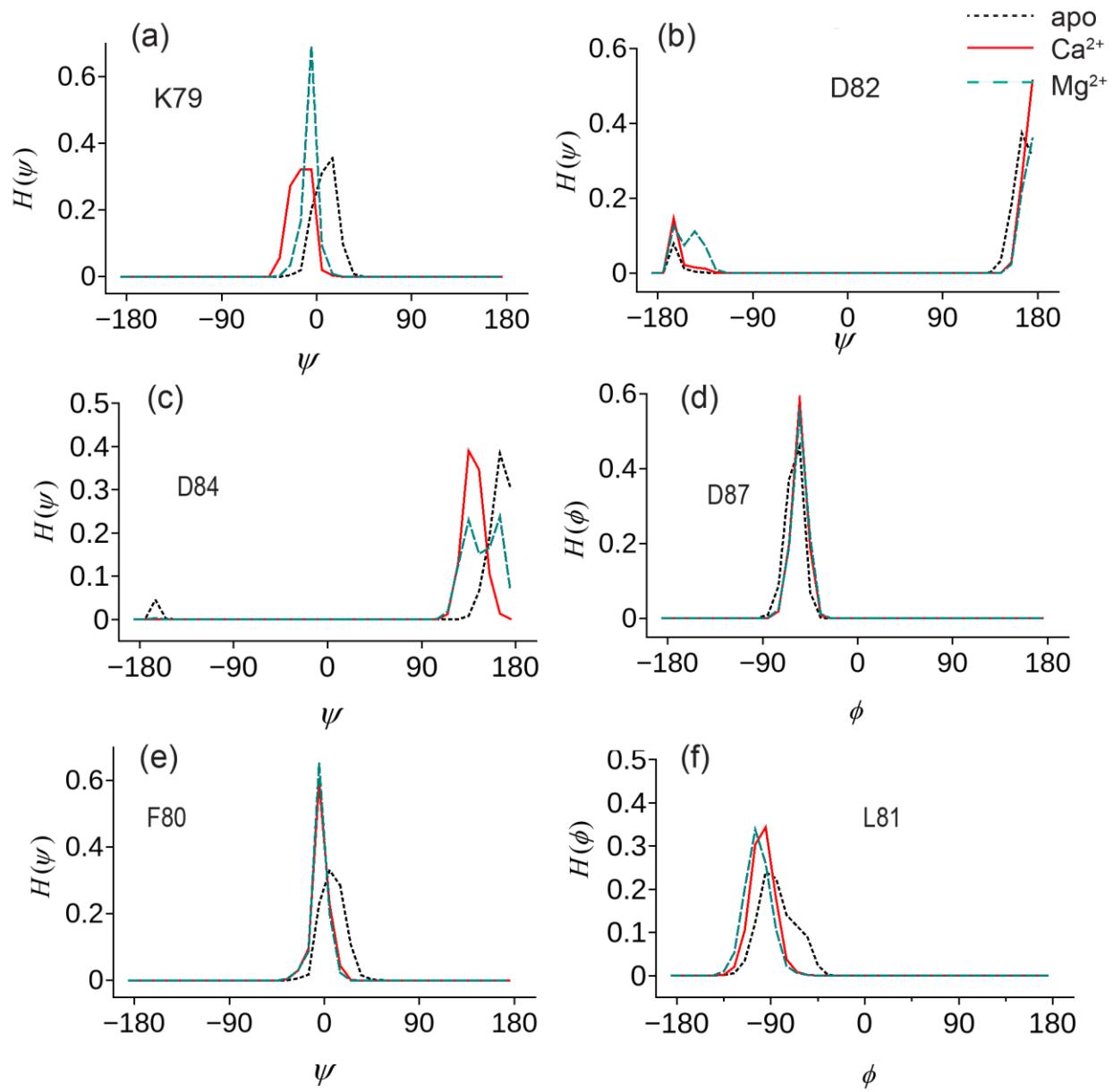


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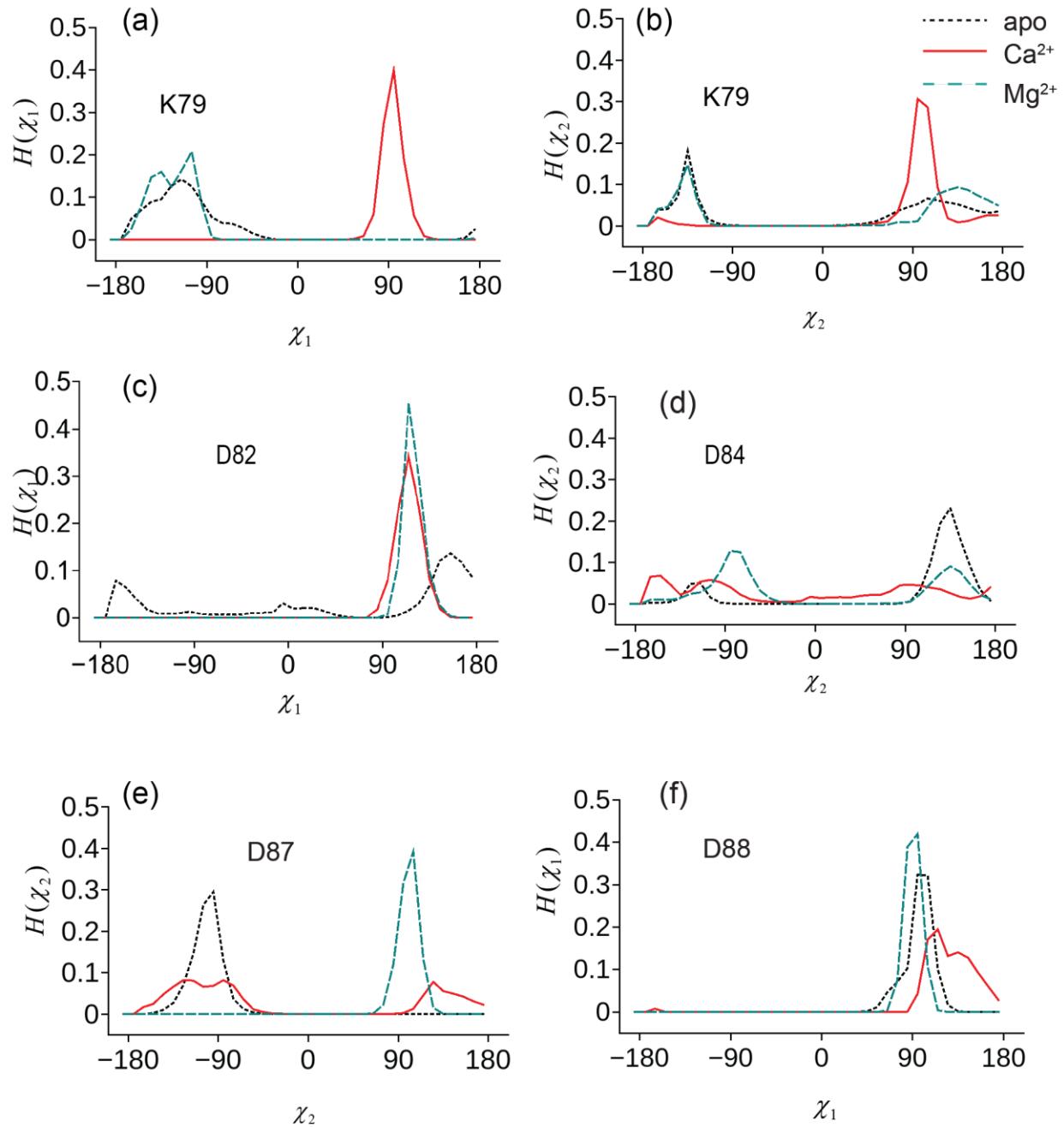


Fig S5

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Fig S6