

# Cyanylated cysteine reports site-specific changes at protein-protein interfaces without perturbation

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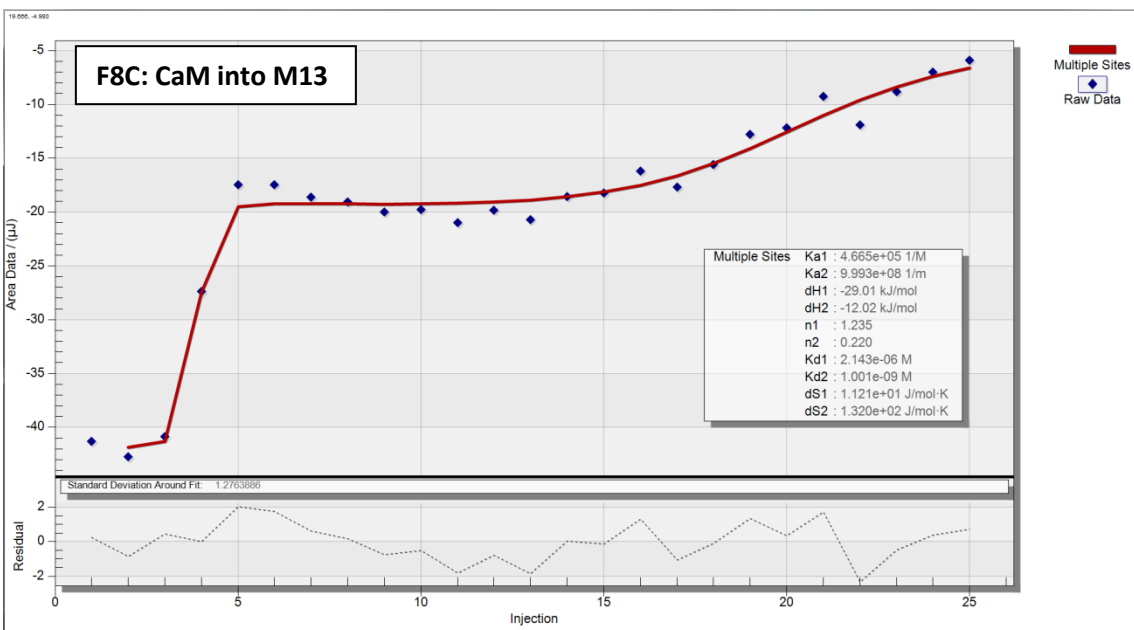
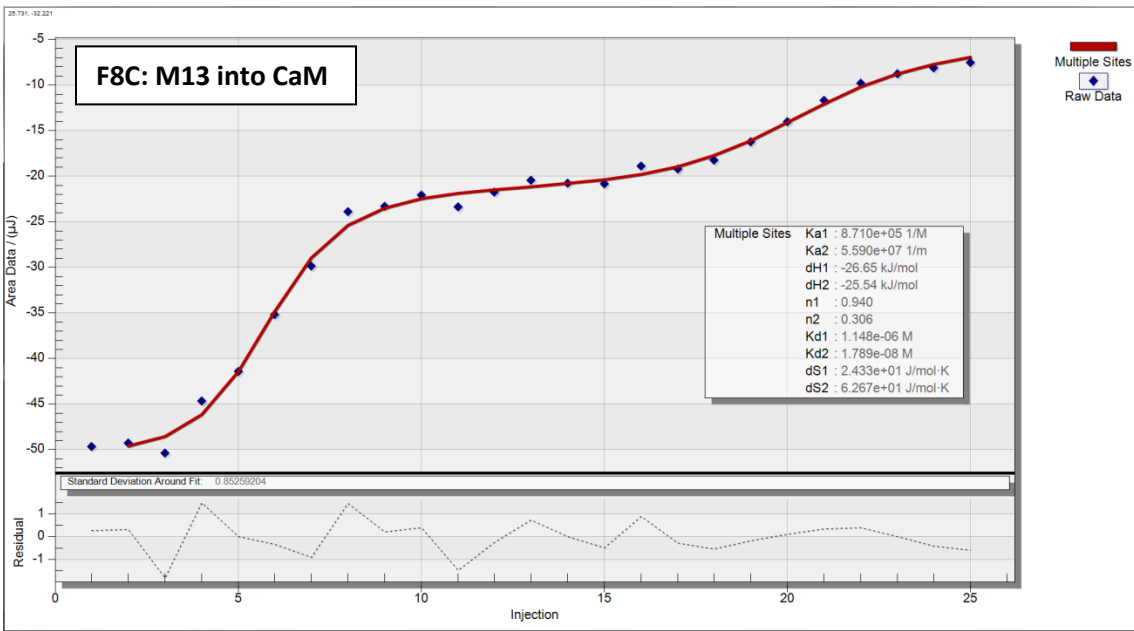
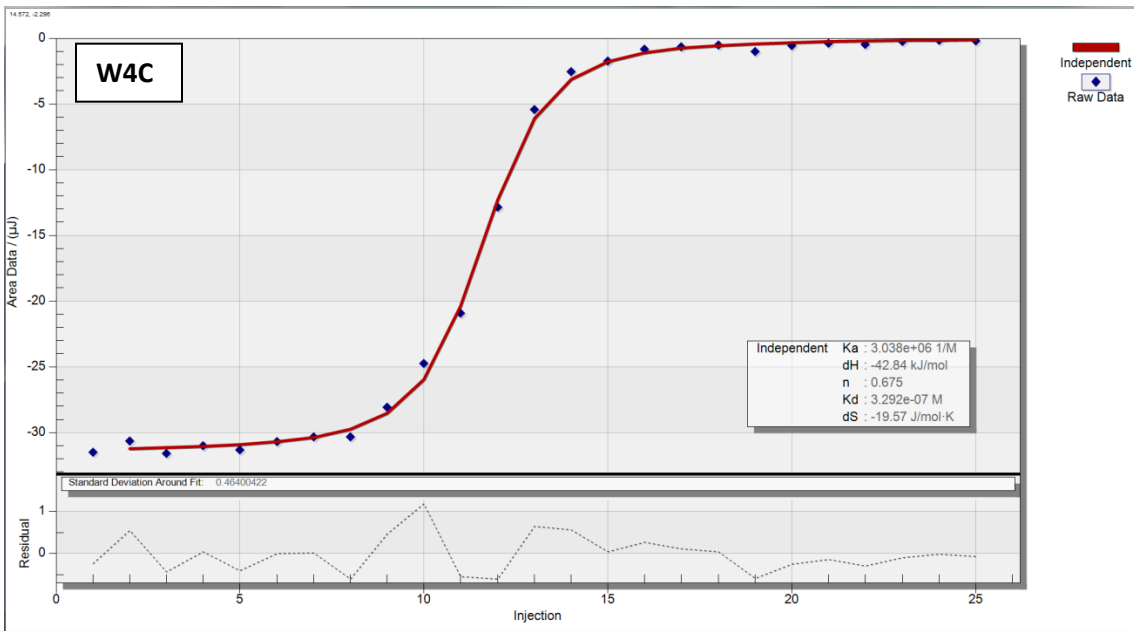
## Supporting Information

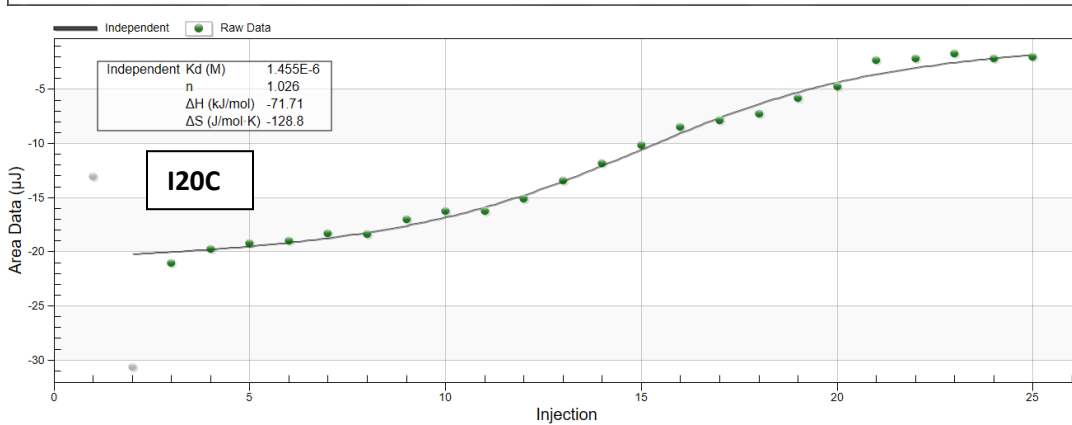
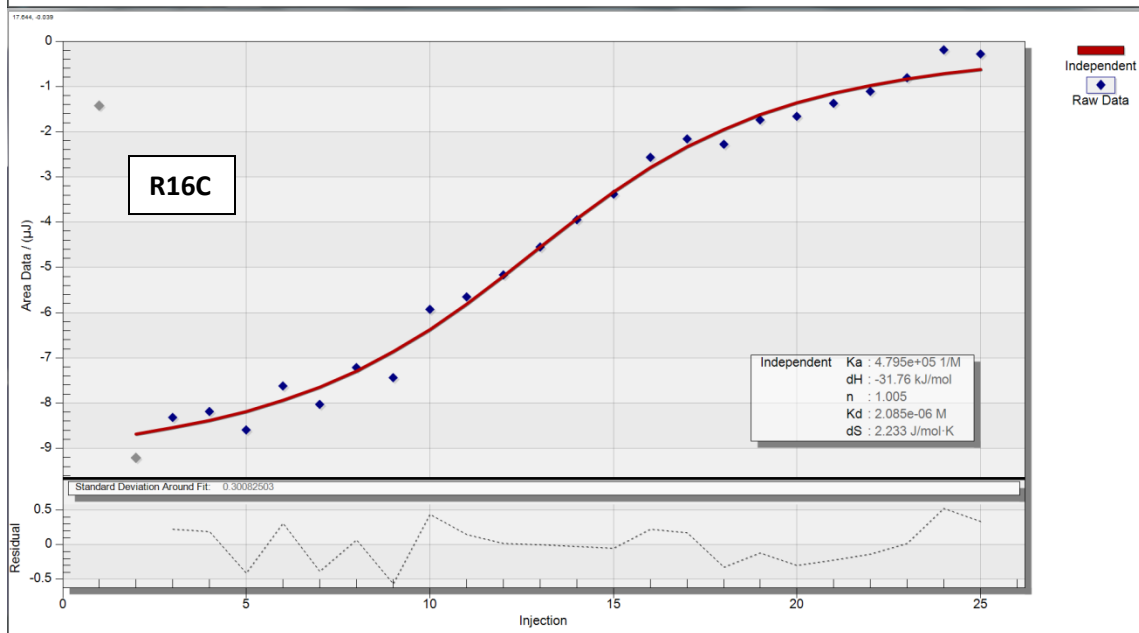
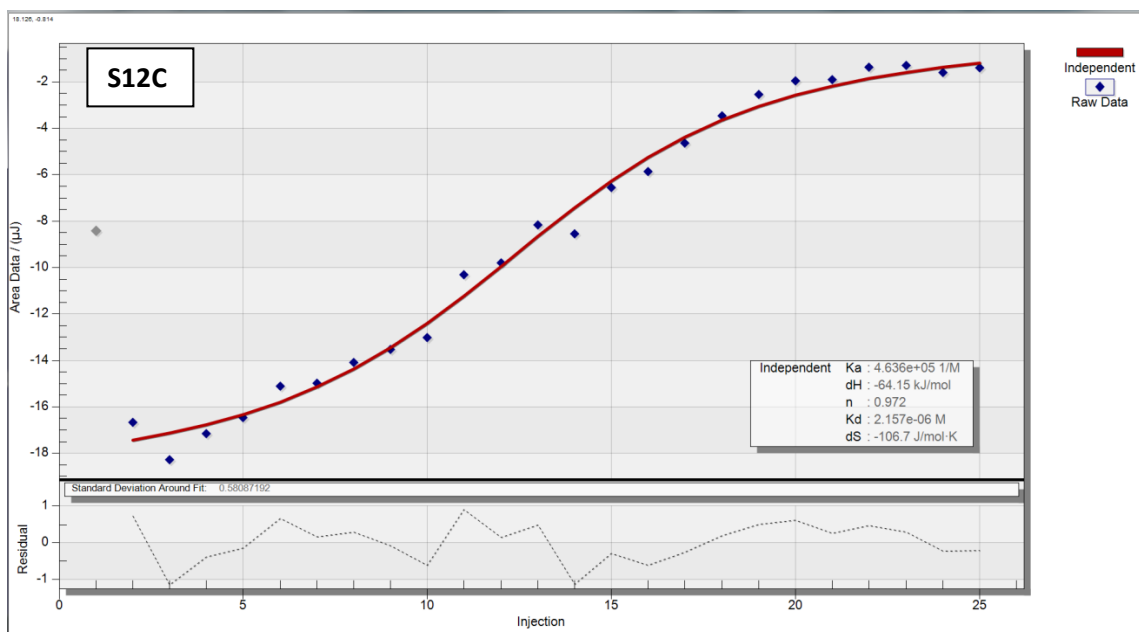
### 1. Isothermal Titration Calorimetry

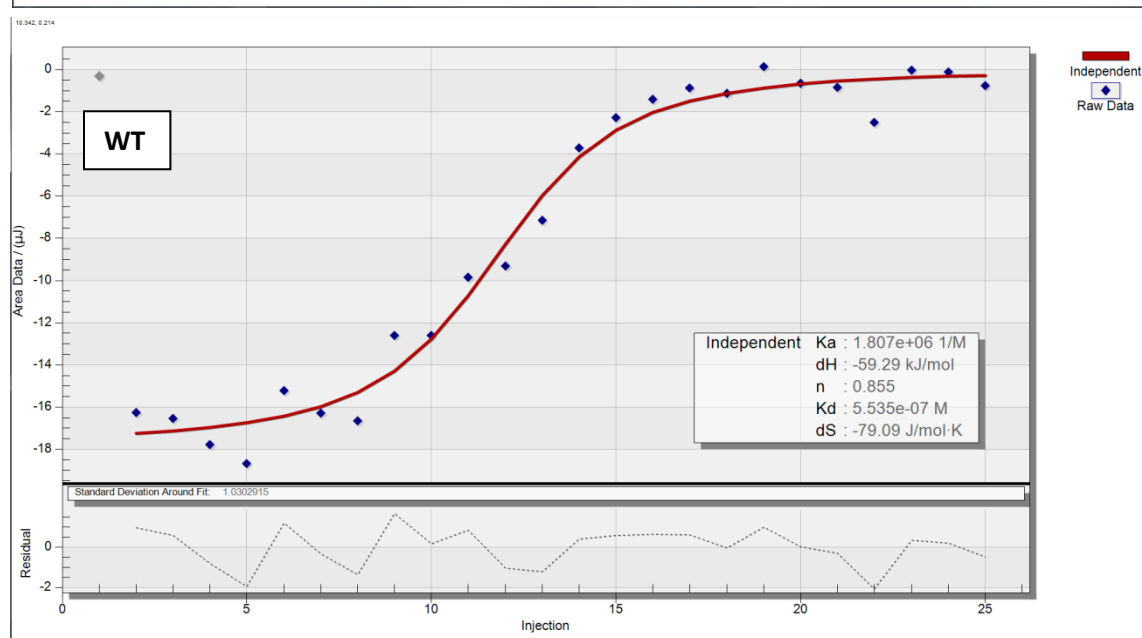
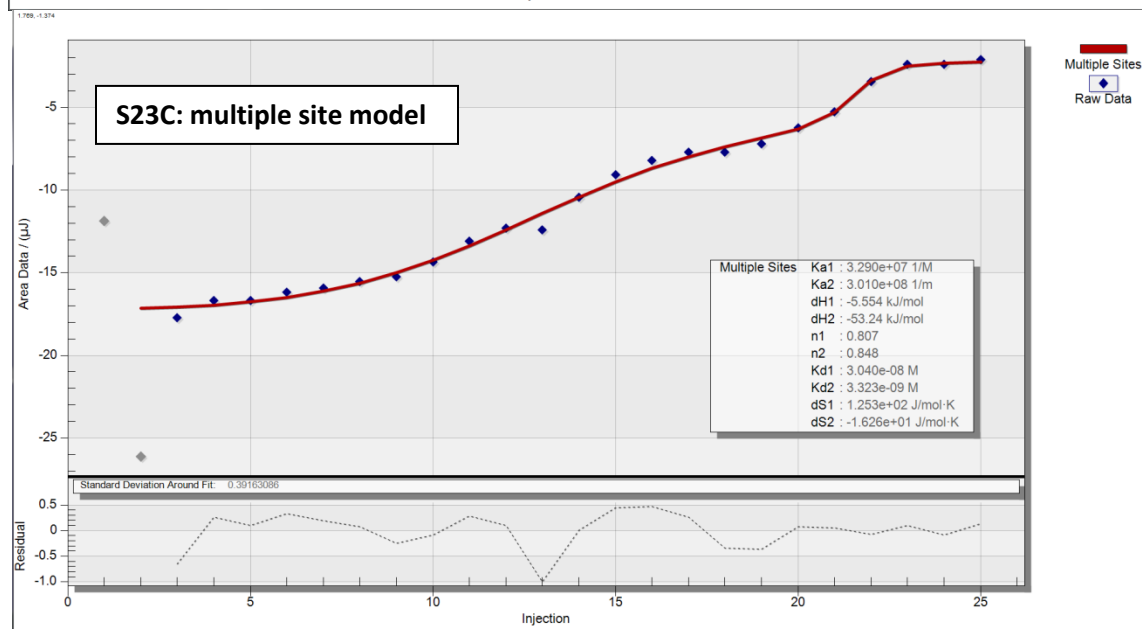
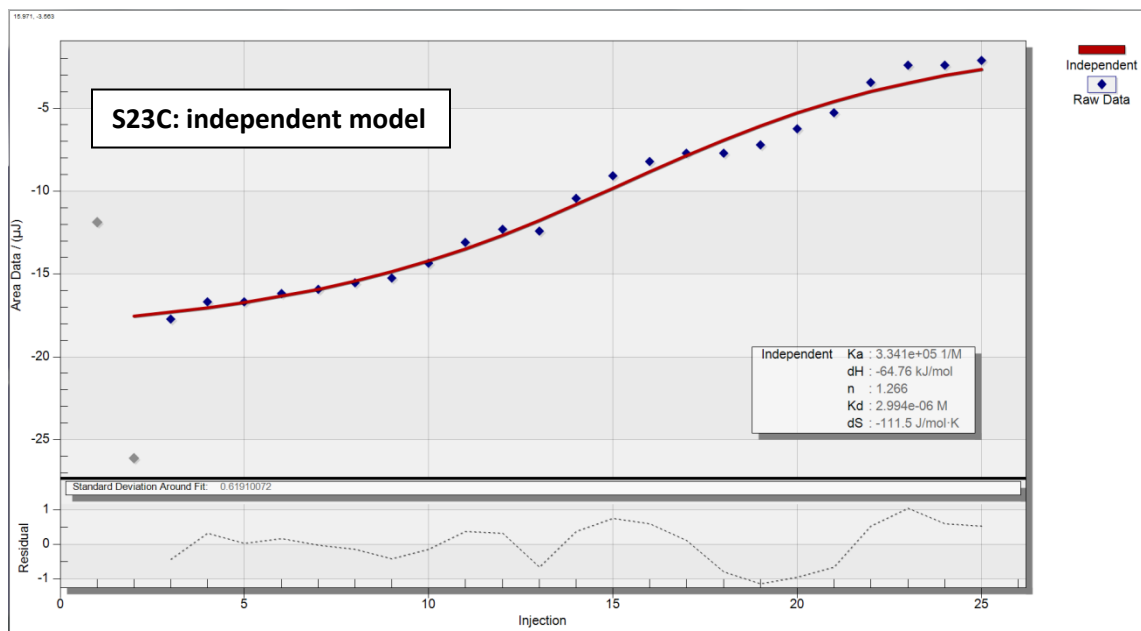
The following data were acquired for seven M13 peptides (see table 1 in the main manuscript for sequences, and “WT” is the unmodified M13 sequence) titrated with recombinant wild-type calmodulin. The data points shown below are peak areas determined following baseline correction of the raw titration data. The fits are all to either a single “independent” sigmoidal model for binding, or in some cases, to a “two-sites” double-sigmoidal model for binding for titrations where a second process was suggested by the data.

The signal:noise ratio for S23C\* was not high enough to distinguish clearly between a one- and a two-sites fit. A two-sites fit is clearly implicated for F8C\*, and this is discussed in the main manuscript; this led to our also performing the “backwards” titration experiment with an independent sample of F8C\* which led to very similar fitting parameters.

Figure S1 follows: integrated areas for ITC titrations of calmodulin into peptide solutions, with fits to independent (single-sigmoid) binding models. Full parameters calculated from these fits are then presented in Table S1.







**Table S1: binding parameters calculated from fits to the ITC titration curves.**

<i>variant</i>	<i>n</i>	<i>K<sub>D</sub></i>	<i>ΔG</i> (kJ/mol)	<i>ΔH</i> (kJ/mol)	<i>ΔS</i> (J/mol K)	<i>ΔΔG</i> (kJ/mol)	<i>ΔΔH</i> (kJ/mol)	<i>ΔΔS</i> (J/mol K)
<b>W4C*</b>	0.9	3E-07	-37	-43	-20.	-1	16	59
<b>F8C*</b>	0.9	1E-06	-34	-27	24	2	33	100
<b>S12C*</b>	0.9	2E-06	-32	-65	-110	3	-5	-28
<b>R16C*</b>	1.0	2E-06	-32	-32	2.2	3	28	81
<b>I20C*</b>	1.1	1E-06	-33	-72	-130	2	-13	-51
<b>S23C*</b>	1.0	3E-06	-32	-65	-110	4	-5	-32
<b>wt</b>	0.9	5E-07	-36	-60.	-79			

## 2. Infrared spectroscopy

Table S2: the calculated lineshape parameters for each of the six C\*-containing variants of M13, in buffer solution and with calmodulin. The standard deviation and FWHM were calculated as described in the experimental methods section.

Peptide	Buffer mode / $\text{cm}^{-1}$	CaM mode / $\text{cm}^{-1}$	Buffer mean / $\text{cm}^{-1}$	CaM mean / $\text{cm}^{-1}$	Buffer FWHM / $\text{cm}^{-1}$	CaM FWHM / $\text{cm}^{-1}$
W4C*	2164.6	2156.0	2163.2	2157.2	11.1	14.3
F8C*	2163.5	2157.7	2163.0	2155.6	12.2	13.3
S12C*	2163.5	2156.7	2162.8	2157.7	15.3	14.5
R16C*	2163.1	2161.2	2161.1	2159.8	14.8	19.2
I20C*	2163.5	2160.6	2161.6	2160.8	17.4	15.9
S23C*	2164.4	2163.5	2162.6	2161.6	14.6	15.3

### 3. Supplementary data from molecular dynamics

Angular distributions for orientation of probe side chains in MD simulations:

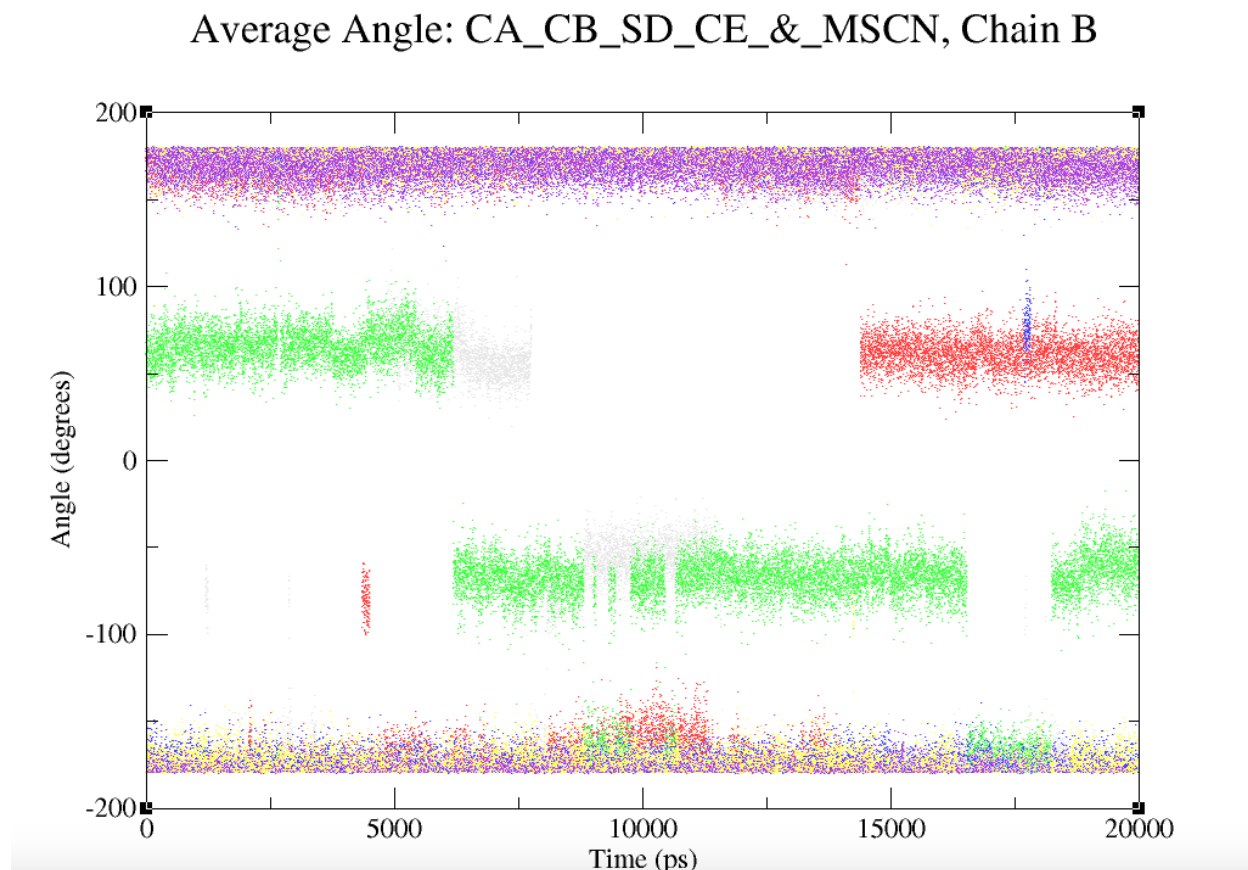


Figure S2. Dihedral angles (measured through  $C\alpha$ - $C\beta$ -S-C for the cyanylated cysteine residue) throughout a 20 ns MD trajectory for labels at the six selected sites along the M13 peptide. (colors: yellow: W4C\*; violet: F8C\*; grey: S12C\*; red: R16C\*; green: I20C\*; blue: S23C\*) While the majority prefer a trans (180 degrees) configuration, a few sites in the middle region of M13 (S12C\*, R16C\*, I20C\*) tend towards substantial sampling of gauche (60 or -60 degrees) configurations due to local steric restrictions. The dihedral angles, however, do not seem to correlate with either mean frequencies or linewidths. Fast (sub-ns) fluctuations of the SCN group orientation were in general *not* observed.

Distributions of solvent accessible surface area for each probe site:

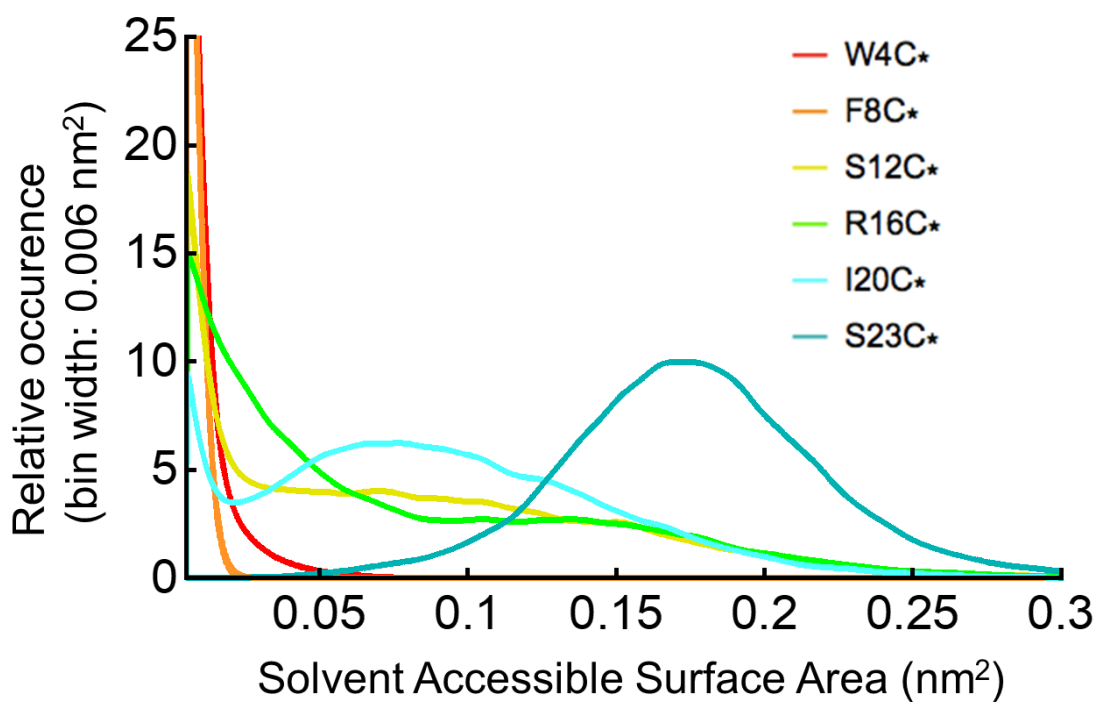


Figure S3. Histogram distributions for solvent accessible surface area for the SCN nitrogen atom calculated from the 20 ns MD trajectories, represented as lines.