## Supporting Information

# Magnetic susceptibility induced alignment of proteins in reverse micelles 

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Figure S1. Histograms of the RDC values for the proteins in reverse micelles. The values of the principle axis system of the magnetic susceptibility tensor are given in the panels. The units are in $10^{-27} \mathrm{JT}^{-2}$. The values are determined from the histogram distributions with an additional $10 \%$ added to $\chi_{33}$ and $\chi_{11}$ edges to account for error in the measurement of these discontinuities.

Table S1. Residual dipolar couplings, $\left({ }^{1} \mathrm{~J}+\mathrm{D}\right){ }^{(17.6 T)}-\left({ }^{1} \mathrm{~J}+\mathrm{D}\right){ }^{(11.7 \mathrm{~T})}$ for oxidized and reduced horse cytochrome c ${ }^{1}$ encapsulated in reverse micelles. ${ }^{2}$

|  | ox cyt c | red cyt c |  | ox cyt c | red cyt c |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Residue ${ }^{3}$ | RDC | RDC | Residue | RDC | RDC |
| D2 | 0.88 | -2.51 | A43 | -1.86 | 2.32 |
| V3 | 1.22 | -4.19 | G45 | 2.24 | -2.69 |
| G4 |  |  | F46 | -0.46 | -1.19 |
| K5 |  |  | T47 | 0.65 | -1.25 |
| G6 | 1.74 |  | Y48 | -0.01 | 4.98 |
| K7 | 3.06 | -0.91 | T49 | 2.19 |  |
| K8 | 0.37 | 4.3 | D50 | -0.64 | -2.30 |
| I9 | 2.33 | -6.12 | A51 |  | 0.83 |
| F10 | -2.00 | -4.79 | N52 | 0.12 | 2.02 |
| V11 | 1.17 | -1.75 | K53 | 1.05 | 2.10 |
| Q12 | 0.31 | -2.94 | N54 | -0.55 | -0.63 |
| K13 | -1.12 | 2.32 | K55 | 0.63 | 3.54 |
| C14 |  | 2.16 | G56 | -3.15 |  |
| A15 | -0.18 | -0.88 | I57 | -0.12 |  |
| Q16 | 0.60 | 0.07 | T58 | -0.62 | -0.51 |
| C17 |  |  | W59 | 1.00 | -0.41 |
| H18 | -3.65 |  | K60 |  |  |
| T19 | 2.24 | 0.29 | G61 | 0.53 | -1.57 |
| V20 | -3.70 |  | E62 | -0.70 | 0.25 |
| E21 | 0.80 | -2.41 | T63 | 0.30 | -2.53 |
| K22 | 0.32 | 0.22 | L64 | 1.28 | -1.04 |
| G23 | 0.29 | -1.26 | M65 | -1.52 | -0.54 |
| G24 | 1.97 | 0.40 | E66 | 1.89 | -2.31 |
| K25 | 0.43 | 1.23 | L68 | 2.43 | -0.36 |
| N26 | 2.39 | -0.10 | E69 | 3.91 | 0.17 |
| K27 | -1.64 | -2.65 | N70 | 0.96 | -1.02 |
| T28 | 3.00 |  | K72 | 0.84 | 1.86 |
| G29 | -4.06 |  | K73 | -1.58 | -1.02 |
| N31 | 0.17 | -2.89 | Y74 | 0.00 | 0.69 |
| L32 | -2.43 | 1.84 | I75 | -2.54 | -3.19 |
| N33 |  | -4.76 | G77 |  | 0.33 |
| G34 |  |  | T78 | 1.97 | 0.71 |
| L35 | -1.67 | -3.72 | K79 | 0.44 |  |
| F36 | -0.77 | -2.46 | M80 |  | -4.66 |
| G37 | -0.73 | -4.26 | A81 | 4.11 | 1.28 |
| R38 | -1.67 | -1.64 | F82 | -1.55 | 0.30 |
| K39 |  | 1.64 | A83 | -2.46 | -0.86 |
| T40 | -0.87 | -0.32 | I85 |  |  |
| G41 | 0.20 | 0.55 | K86 | -0.65 | -1.21 |
| Q42 | 2.12 |  | K87 |  | -1.33 |


| K88 | -0.26 | -5.39 | Y97 | -1.88 | -2.70 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| T89 | -1.20 | 1.56 | L98 | 0.82 | 1.36 |
| E90 | 1.17 | -5.65 | K99 | -1.11 | 0.37 |
| R91 | 0.14 | 2.02 | K100 | 1.35 | 2.53 |
| E92 | 0.04 | -1.09 | A101 | -2.38 | -2.64 |
| D93 | 0.08 | -1.07 | T102 |  | -0.50 |
| I95 | -4.28 | 3.34 | N103 | -0.29 | -2.68 |
| A96 | -0.18 |  | E104 | -0.35 | -0.49 |

${ }^{1}$ Recombinant horse ${ }^{15} \mathrm{~N}$ cytochrome c was prepared according to Rumbley, J. N.; Hoang, L.; Englander, S. W. Biochemistry 2002, 41, 13894-13901. and Liu, W.; Rumbley, J.; Englander, S. W.; Wand, A. J. Protein Sci. 2003, 12, 2104-2108.
${ }^{2}$ Oxidized cytochrome c reverse micelles were prepared by dissolving 2 mg of lyophilized powder in $22 \mu \mathrm{l}$ of buffer ( 50 mM KPhosphate, pH 5.8 ). The co-surfactants, sodium bis (2-ethylhexyl) sulfosuccinate (AOT),
dodecyltrimethylammonium bromide (DTAB) and dodecyl tetraethylene glycol ether (C12E4) are dissolved in $800 \mu \mathrm{l}$ $\mathrm{d}_{12}$ pentane in a ratio of 25:5:70 at 100 mM total concentration. The $20 \mu \mathrm{l}$ of aqueous protein solution is injected into the pentane / lipid solution and vortexed until clear. The molar ration of water to surfactant, water loading or $\mathrm{W}_{0}$, was 11.4 H2O/lipid as measured directly by ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR.The reduced cytochrome c is made in the same way, with the only difference in the buffer ( 50 mM KPhosphate, 50 mM NaAscorbate, pH 5.8 ). The water loading was measured to be 8.6. ${ }^{3}$ The ${ }^{15} \mathrm{~N}-{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ resonance assignments for the oxidized and reduced horse cytochrome c in reverse micelles were mapped from the assignments in the aqueous solutions of the proteins in the same buffers. The assignments are from Liu, W.; Rumbley, J.; Englander, S. W.; Wand, A. J. Protein Sci. 2003, 12, 2104-2108.

Table S2. Residual dipolar couplings, $\left({ }^{1} \mathrm{~J}+\mathrm{D}\right){ }^{(17.6 \mathrm{~T})}-\left({ }^{1} \mathrm{~J}+\mathrm{D}\right){ }^{(11.7 \mathrm{~T})}$ for oxidized flavodoxin ${ }^{4}$ encapsulated at water loadings of 17 and $27 .{ }^{5}$

|  | flv $\mathrm{W}_{0}=17$ | flv $\mathrm{W}_{0}=27$ | flv $\mathrm{W}_{0}=17$ | flv $\mathrm{W}_{0}=27$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Residue $^{6}$ | RDC | RDC | Residue | RDC | RDC |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| K3 |  | 0.31 | E72 | 3.09 |  |
| I4 | -2.14 | -2.36 | D74 | -2.24 | 0.93 |
| G5 |  | -0.34 | D75 | -8.13 | -4.64 |
| L6 | -1.05 | -2.66 | V76 | 1.76 | 0.98 |
| F7 | 1.31 | -0.38 | D77 | -2.15 | -0.51 |
| G9 | 0.47 |  | F78 | 1.87 | -1.35 |
| E16 | -1.21 | 0.51 | G80 | -0.30 | 0.55 |
| S17 | -1.28 | -0.32 | K81 |  | -0.13 |
| V20 | -1.25 | 0.16 | L82 | -0.61 | -0.77 |
| A19 | -0.69 | -0.82 | A84 | -0.96 | -0.87 |
| I21 |  | -1.49 | F86 | -0.28 | -1.87 |
| I22 | 0.09 | 1.98 | G87 | -1.96 | 1.62 |
| R23 |  | -4.71 | G89 | 3.57 | 0.20 |
| D24 |  | 2.49 | Q91 | -0.55 |  |
| F26 | -0.44 | -1.24 | I92 |  | -1.45 |
| V30 | 0.26 |  | G93 | -0.95 | -2.77 |
| V31 |  | -3.78 | Y94 | -0.73 |  |
| D35 | -0.52 | -0.15 | A95 | -1.10 | 0.08 |
| V36 | 6.22 | -1.74 | D96 | -1.98 | -0.98 |
| S37 | -0.04 | 1.26 | N97 | 0.37 | 0.57 |
| Q38 | 0.20 |  | F98 | -1.96 | -1.10 |
| A39 | 0.45 | 1.16 | Q99 |  | -0.01 |
| E40 | 0.34 | -0.93 | D100 | -4.48 | 2.81 |
| V41 | -0.44 | -0.19 | A101 | 0.55 | -0.32 |
| T42 | -0.36 | -0.06 | T102 | -1.84 | -1.61 |
| D43 | -0.18 | -0.40 | G103 | 2.34 | -0.04 |
| L44 |  | -2.18 | I104 | -2.69 | -1.38 |
| N45 | 0.22 | -2.12 | E106 |  | 0.25 |
| D46 |  | -1.99 | E107 | 0.16 |  |
| Y47 | 0.80 | 0.11 | K108 | -3.99 | -1.57 |
| Y49 | -1.16 | 0.67 | S110 | -0.02 | 0.76 |
| L50 | 1.95 |  | Q111 | 1.00 | -2.83 |
| I51 | 0.84 | -1.59 | G113 | 1.71 | -0.27 |
| I52 |  | -0.51 | G114 | -1.44 | 1.08 |
| A54 | -0.11 | 0.24 | K115 | 1.42 | -0.76 |
| I59 | -1.10 | -1.47 | V117 | -0.23 | -025 |
| G60 | -5.69 | -2.71 | G118 | -0.71 | 0.23 |
| E61 | 4.05 |  | Y119 | -1.48 | 2.63 |
| L62 | 0.51 |  | W120 | -0.41 | -0.42 |
| S71 |  | -1.58 | S121 |  | -4.69 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |


| T122 | -0.31 | 0.88 | E145 | 1.59 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| D123 | 3.40 | -2.79 | D146 | 0.37 | 0.31 |
| G124 | 0.06 | -1.42 | N147 | 0.43 | -2.55 |
| Y125 | 1.02 | -0.50 | Q148 | 2.51 | 2.17 |
| D126 | 0.66 | 0.33 | S149 | -1.06 | -1.75 |
| F127 | 0.00 | -0.16 | D150 | 0.02 | -0.78 |
| N128 | -0.12 |  | L151 | 2.65 | 0.69 |
| D129 | 1.00 | -1.42 | T152 |  | -1.75 |
| S130 | 0.28 | -0.19 | D153 |  | -1.26 |
| K131 | 0.77 | -0.83 | R155 |  | -0.40 |
| A132 |  | 1.40 | K157 | -0.83 | -1.42 |
| L133 | 2.89 | 1.63 | S158 | -0.16 | -2.11 |
| R134 | 0.44 | -3.03 | W159 | -2.76 | 0.28 |
| G136 | -0.02 | -0.84 | V160 | -3.03 |  |
| K137 | -2.01 |  | A161 | 1.26 | -1.00 |
| F138 | -3.02 | -2.30 | Q162 | -1.34 | 0.99 |
| V139 | 2.49 | 5.54 | S165 | -0.63 | 0.88 |
| L141 | -1.76 | 0.15 | F167 | -1.76 | -3.93 |
| L143 | 3.78 | 5.45 | G168 | 2.10 | 0.86 |
| D144 | -0.16 |  | L169 | 0.22 | 0.52 |

${ }^{4}$ Recombinant oxidized Cyanobacterium anbaena ${ }^{15} \mathrm{~N}$ flavodoxin was prepared according to Liu, W.; Flynn, P. F.; Fuentes, E. J.; Kranz, J. K.; McCormick, M.; Wand, A. J. Biochemistry 2001, 40, 14744-1453.
${ }^{5}$ Oxidized flavodoxin reverse micelles were prepared from $10 \mu \mathrm{l}$ of 10 mM flavodoxin in 50 mM KPhosphate, pH 5.5.
The surfactant, 100 mM lysododecylamineoxide (LDAO) is dissolved in $\mathrm{d}_{12}$ pentane with $4 \%$ hexanol. The aqueous protein solution is injected into the dissolved surfactant pentane solution and vortexed until clear. Two separate samples were made with different water loadings, 16.7 and 27.0. The water loadings were determined from the integration of the ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectra.
${ }^{6}$ The ${ }^{15} \mathrm{~N}-{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ resonance assignments for the oxidized flavodoxin in reverse micelles at both water loadings were mapped from the assignments in the aqueous solution of the protein in the same buffer. The assignments are from Liu, W.; Flynn, P. F.; Fuentes, E. J.; Kranz, J. K.; McCormick, M.; Wand, A. J. Biochemistry 2001, 40, 14744-1453.

Table S3. Residual dipolar couplings, $\left({ }^{1} \mathrm{~J}+\mathrm{D}\right){ }^{(17.6 \mathrm{~T})}-\left({ }^{1} \mathrm{~J}+\mathrm{D}\right){ }^{(11.7 \mathrm{~T})}$ for encapsulated ubiquitin. ${ }^{7}$

| Residue $^{8}$ | RDC | Residue | RDC |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |  |
| Q2 | 0.03 | A46 | 0.19 |
| I3 | -0.20 | G47 | -0.20 |
| F4 | -0.21 | K48 | -0.09 |
| K6 | -0.52 | Q49 | -0.14 |
| L7 | -0.27 | L50 | -0.36 |
| K11 | -0.22 | E51 | -0.15 |
| T12 | -0.15 | D52 | -0.45 |
| L15 | -0.36 | R54 | -0.41 |
| E16 | -0.06 | T55 | -0.39 |
| V17 | 0.06 | L56 | 0.38 |
| E18 | 0.21 | S57 | -0.14 |
| S20 | 0.15 | D58 | -0.44 |
| D21 | -0.16 | Y59 | 0.52 |
| I23 | -0.58 | N60 | 0.50 |
| K27 | -0.55 | I61 | -0.41 |
| A28 | -0.33 | Q62 | 0.29 |
| K29 | 0.04 | K63 | 0.14 |
| I30 | -0.14 | E64 | -0.26 |
| Q31 | -0.67 | S65 | -0.94 |
| D32 | -0.13 | T66 | -0.20 |
| K33 | -0.33 | I67 | -0.32 |
| E34 | -0.33 | H68 | -0.67 |
| Q35 | 0.17 | L69 | -0.28 |
| I36 | -0.06 | V70 | -0.02 |
| Q40 | 0.11 | L71 | -0.16 |
| Q41 | 0.19 | L73 | -0.41 |
| L43 | -0.20 | R74 | -0.67 |
| I44 | -0.08 | G75 | -0.09 |
| F45 | -0.54 | G76 | -0.10 |
|  |  |  |  |

[^0]Table S4. Summary of structural statistics for protein structures in reverse micelles calculated with CNS using the experimental RDCs. ${ }^{9}$

|  | Ubiquitin | cytochrome c (oxidized) | cytochrome c (reduced) | flavodoxin ( $\mathrm{W}_{0}=17$ ) | flavodoxin $\left(\mathrm{W}_{0}=27\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Deviations |  |  |  |  |  |
| RDCs ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}-{ }^{15} \mathrm{~N}(\mathrm{~Hz}){ }^{10}$ | $0.090 \pm 0.001$ | $0.044 \pm 0.001$ | 0.038 $\pm 0.002$ | 0.017 $\pm 0.000$ | $0.029 \pm 0.001$ |
| Distance restraints ${ }^{11}$ | $0.034 \pm 0.001$ | $0.079 \pm 0.002$ | $0.090 \pm 0.003$ | $0.050 \pm 0.001$ | $0.058 \pm 0.001$ |
| Bonds( $\AA$ ) | $0.003 \pm 0.000$ | $0.007 \pm 0.000$ | $0.008 \pm 0.000$ | $0.005 \pm 0.000$ | $0.006 \pm 0.000$ |
| Angles ( ${ }^{\circ}$ ) | $0.584 \pm 0.006$ | $1.219 \pm 0.013$ | $1.503 \pm 0.075$ | $1.114 \pm 0.023$ | $1.303 \pm 0.014$ |
| Impropers ( ${ }^{0}$ ) | $0.716 \pm 0.004$ | $1.451 \pm 0.059$ | $1.606 \pm 0.056$ | $1.030 \pm 0.023$ | $1.253 \pm 0.011$ |
| $\omega$ dihedral ( $\left.{ }^{0}\right)^{12}$ | $0.355 \pm 0.016$ | $1.227 \pm 0.115$ | $1.401 \pm 0.065$ | $0.701 \pm 0.086$ | $1.133 \pm 0.093$ |
| Structure Ensemble ${ }^{13}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Backbone ( $\AA$ ) | $0.80 \pm 0.47$ | $0.24 \pm 0.10$ | $0.38 \pm 0.20$ | $0.24 \pm 0.07$ | $0.34 \pm 0.16$ |
| Heavy atoms ( $\AA$ ) | $1.12 \pm 0.34$ | $0.69 \pm 0.08$ | $0.84 \pm 0.16$ | $0.46 \pm 0.06$ | $0.55 \pm 0.14$ |
| Structure Quality ${ }^{14}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| \% residues in core region | $79.55 \pm 0.87$ | $72.57 \pm 1.48$ | $64.58 \pm 2.42$ | $76.03 \pm 2.44$ | $76.61 \pm 1.15$ |
| \%residues in allowed region | $16.83 \pm 0.58$ | $26.06 \pm 1.40$ | $31.13 \pm 2.75$ | $18.36 \pm 2.30$ | $19.19 \pm 1.63$ |
| \%residues in generously allowed region | $3.50 \pm 0.67$ | $0.92 \pm 0.57$ | $3.32 \pm 0.81$ | $5.09 \pm 0.59$ | $4.10 \pm 0.55$ |
| \%residues in disallowed region | $0.12 \pm 0.23$ | $0.46+0.57$ | $0.92+0.77$ | $0.55+0.37$ | $0.07 \pm 0.13$ |

${ }^{9}$ Structural statistics are from the ensemble average of $\sim 25 \%$ of the 100 simulated annealing (SA) structures accepted based on agreement with the constraints lists.
${ }^{10}$ The RDC constraints were the experimentally measured field dependent $\Delta(\mathrm{J}+\mathrm{D}){ }^{15}{ }_{\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H}}{ }^{1}(750 \mathrm{MHz}-500 \mathrm{MHz})$ values. The SA protocol used these constraints with a $\pm 0.2 \mathrm{~Hz}$ deviation from the experimental values. The accepted structures contained no more than 2 violations greater than 0.2 Hz .
${ }^{11}$ The distance constraints were generated by an extraction from the starting PDB files. All atom pairs within 5 A were selected and a subset containing a random $15 \%$ of the NOEs were used. The constraints were applied with a $\pm 0.2 \AA$ deviation from the calculated value. The accepted structures contained no more than $2 \%$ of NOEs violated by more than 0.28 A.
${ }^{12}$ The $\omega$ dihedral angle of $0^{\circ}$ for the peptide bond was applied as a constraint to maintain the planar peptide geometry. The constraints were applied with a $\pm 1.0^{\circ}$ deviation from the planar value.
${ }^{13} \mathrm{Rms}$ deviations are calculated with MOLMOL for the ensemble of 24 structures for ubiquitin, 26 structures for oxidized cytochrome c , 28 structures for reduced cytochrome c, 24 structures for flavodoxin with $\mathrm{W}_{0}=17$ and 28 structures for flavodoxin with $\mathrm{Wo}=27$.
${ }^{14}$ Calculated with PROCHECK (Laskowski, R. A.; Moss, D. S.; Thornton, J. M. J. Mol. Biol. 1993, 231, 1049-1067).

Table S5. Summary of REDCAT ${ }^{15}$ and PALES ${ }^{16}$ analysis for lowest energy protein structures in reverse micelles calculated with CNS using the experimental RDCs.

|  | Ubiquitin | cytochrome c (oxidized) | cytochrome c (reduced) | flavodoxin ( $\mathrm{W}_{0}=17$ ) | flavodoxin $\left(\mathrm{W}_{0}=27\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Magnetic susceptibility principal axis elements (REDCAT) ${ }^{17}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\chi_{11}$ | $-3.07 \times 10^{-6}$ | $2.15 \times 10^{-5}$ | $2.82 \times 10^{-5}$ | $3.07 \times 10^{-5}$ | $-2.14 \times 10^{-5}$ |
| $\chi_{22}$ | $-3.96 \times 10^{-5}$ | $1.93 \times 10^{-4}$ | $2.61 \times 10^{-4}$ | $3.32 \times 10^{-4}$ | $-2.53 \times 10^{-4}$ |
| $\chi_{33}$ | $4.27 \times 10^{-5}$ | $-2.14 \times 10^{-4}$ | $-2.89 \times 10^{-4}$ | -3.63 x 10-4 | $2.74 \times 10^{-4}$ |
| Euler Angles (REDCAT) ${ }^{18}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\alpha\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$ | 0.0 | 9.4 | -68.9 | -54.1 | -4.6 |
| $\beta\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$ | 98.0 | 281.5 | 172.9 | 82.2 | 343.0 |
| $\gamma\left({ }^{\circ}\right.$ ) | 71.5 | -43.4 | 9.8 | 92.7 | 48.6 |
| $\mathrm{D}_{\mathrm{r}} / \mathrm{D}_{\mathrm{a}}^{19}$ | 0.57 | 0.53 | 0.54 | 0.55 | 0.56 |
| Normalized scalar products ${ }^{20}$ between tensors from the predicted steric alignment (PALES) ${ }^{21}$ and the experimental alignment (PALES). | 0.456 | 0.266 | 0.125 | 0.345 | 0.397 |

${ }^{15}$ REDCAT analysis was performed for the lowest energy structure from the ensemble of accepted structures from the SA calculations. The maximum ${ }^{15} \mathrm{~N}-{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ coupling was set to 21646.4 Hz for an $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H}$ bond length of 1.04 A .
${ }^{16}$ PALES analysis was performed for the lowest energy structure from the ensemble of accepted structures from the SA calculations. The maximum ${ }^{15} \mathrm{~N}-{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ coupling was set to 21523.1 Hz for an N-H bond length of 1.038 A. (Zweckstetter, M.; Bax, A. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2000, 122, 3791-3792).
${ }^{17}$ The magnetic susceptibility principal axis elements reflect the magnitude of the degree of alignment of the assembly.
${ }^{18}$ The Euler angles relate the magnetic susceptibility principal axis tensor to the molecular axis coordinate system.
${ }^{19}$ The $D_{r} / D_{a}$ is the rhombicity R used in the CNS calculations listed in Table 1 in the text. This is $2 / 3$ of the $\eta$ value determined in the REDCAT analysis.
${ }^{20}$ The normalized scalar product is defined as $\left\langle A^{1} \mid A^{2}\right\rangle /\left(\left\langle A^{1} \mid A^{1}\right\rangle^{-1 / 2}\left\langle A^{2} \mid A^{2}\right\rangle^{-1 / 2}\right)$ where $A^{1}{ }_{m}$ and $A^{2}{ }_{m}$ are the constants of the symmetric Saupe order matrix for the alignment of the respective molecules. (Sass, J.; Cordier, F.; Hoffmann, A.; Cousin, A.; Omichinski, J.G.; Lowen, H.; Grzesiek, S. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1999, 121, 2047-2055).
${ }^{21}$ The steric alignment was predicted using the lowest energy structures from the CNS calculations. The steric alignment was predicted as a wall with the concentration of bicelle set at $0.05 \mathrm{mg} / \mathrm{ml}$.


[^0]:    ${ }^{7}$ Lyophilized ${ }^{15} \mathrm{~N}$ ubiquitin was dissolved in $15 \mu \mathrm{l}$ of buffer ( 50 mM NaAcetate, pH 5.0 ), 75 mM AOT was dissolved in $750 \mathrm{ml} \mathrm{d}_{12}$ pentane. The protein solution was injected into the lipid pentane solution, then vortexed until clear. The water loading was 14.0 .
    ${ }^{8}$ The ${ }^{15} \mathrm{~N}-{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ resonance assignments for ubiquitin in reverse micelles were from Wand, A. J.; Ehrhardt, M. R.; Flynn, P. F. Proc Natl Acad Sci USA 1998, 95, 15299-15302.

