

Letter to the Editor

¹H, ¹³C and ¹⁵N resonance assignment of an oxidized form (Cys₅₁–Cys₁₉₈) of Methionine Sulfoxide Reductase A from *Escherichia coli*

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Methionine Sulfoxide Reductase A (Msra) is involved in the reduction of methionine-(S)-sulfoxides generated during an oxidative stress. The catalytic mechanism of *E. coli* Msra involves the formation of two successive disulfide bonds (Cys₅₁–Cys₁₉₈ and Cys₁₉₈–Cys₂₀₆), both are reducible by thioredoxin. We report the nearly complete ¹H, ¹³C and ¹⁵N resonance assignments of the oxidized form (Cys₅₁–Cys₁₉₈). 2D and 3D NMR experiments were performed with uniformly ¹⁵N-, ¹³C-labeled protein. 88% of backbone H^N, N, C^α, C' and the large majority of side chain nuclei have been assigned. Almost of the unassigned residues are located in the 122–132 segment, which may be poorly structured, undergoing a conformational exchange, as revealed by linewidth increase for residues up- and down-stream of this segment (certainly due to exchange contribution to transverse relaxation). BMRB deposits with accession number 6786.

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