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Supplementary Material



Figure S1. BEST-HNCO pulse sequence.¹ Shaped and hard pulses are shown as oval or square shapes, respectively. The thin shapes indicate 90° pulses and the broad shapes indicate 180° pulses. Delays were D23 = 14.5 ms, D26 = 2.4 ms, and δ = 1100 µs. ¹H selective pulses were PC9 (P41, 2251 µs) 180° pulses Reburp (P42, 1498 µs), Eburp2 and Eburp2tr (P43 and P45, each 1439 µs), and BIP720,50,20 (P44, 150 µs). ¹³C selective pulses were G4 and G4tr (P13 and P15, each 308 µs), and Q3 (P14, 210 µs). Non-selective ¹⁵N 90° pulse durations were 39.75 µs. GARP decoupling of ¹⁵N was applied during acquisition. The phase cycle was $\Phi_1 = [x, -x]$, and $\Phi_{rec} = [x, -x]$. All other pulses were applied along the x axis ($\Phi = 0$), except when indicated otherwise. Gradients were G1 (42.8 G/cm, 1 ms), G2 (4.3 G/cm, 1 ms), G3 (3.75 G/cm, 300 µs), G4 (-21.4 G/cm, 1 ms), G5 (-26.75 G/cm, 1 ms), G6 (32.1 G/cm, 1 ms), G7 (-2.68 G/cm, 500 µs), and G8 (2.68 G/cm, 300 µs), all generated using the Bruker shape library file 'SMSQ10'.



Figure S2. BEST-¹H^N-CON pulse sequence². Delays were $\tau_1 = 137 \ \mu s$, $\tau_2 = 1893 \ \mu s$, $\tau_3 = 12994 \ \mu s$, $\tau_4 = 16501 \ \mu s$, $\tau_5 = 8201 \ \mu s$, $\tau_6 = 4500 \ \mu s$, and $\tau_7 = 11901 \ \mu s$. Selective ¹H 90° and 180° pulses were PC9 (2001.4 \ \mu s) and Reburp (1600.2 \ \mu s), respectively. Selective ¹³C 90° and 180° pulses were Q5_sebop (300.2 \ \mu s) and Q3_surbop (198.8 \ \mu s), respectively. Non-selective ¹⁵N 90° pulse durations were 31.5 \ \mu s (ubiquitin) or 32.9 \ \mu s (OPN). GARP decoupling was applied to ¹⁵N during acquisition. The phase cycle was $\Phi_1 = [x, -x]$, $\Phi_2 = [y]$, $\Phi_5 = [x]$, $\Phi_6 = [-y]$, and $\Phi_{rec} = [x, -x]$. All other pulses were applied along the x axis ($\Phi = 0$), IPAP was used to suppress CO-C α splittings during acquisition. Gradients were G₁ (4.6 G/cm, 500 \ \mu s) and G₄ (32.85 G/cm, 1 ms), both generated using the Bruker shape library file 'SINE.100'.



Figure S3. Pulse sequence used for detecting the ¹⁵N-edited ¹H-1D time-series of Ubq. The rectangular shapes indicated 90° pulses. For the ¹H channel a selective 1000 μ s long PC90 pulse was used for 90° excitation and a 2000 μ s long REBURP pulse was used for inversion. The carrier frequency was set to 10 ppm to avoid pulsing on the water resonance. Hence, only signals with chemical shifts >8 ppm were detected. d2 was set to 0.00345 s, d1 to 0.5 s and d0 to 0.00002780 s. d0 was not incremented. The FID was detected for 0.1 s during GARP decoupling.



Figure S4. Comparison of HyperW spectra of Ubiquitin. The blue spectrum represents the first transient of a spectrum recorded with a well calibrated selective (BEST) HMQC. The water line is not excited. In contrast, the red spectrum results from a miscalibrated spectrum, in which the water line is excited. The strong water polarization leads to radiation damping prohibitively distorting of the spectrum.



Figure S5. Superposition of the spectra of Figure 7c in the main text.