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Probing Protein Conformational Plasticity

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It has been becoming clear in the recent years that regulation of conformational plasticity of proteins plays a pivotal role for various biological functions on the molecular level

Intrinsically disordered and partially folded proteins are prime examples for flexible biomacromolecules that sample a broad conformational space and exhibit polymer-like properties. Regulation of protein dynamics and conformational plasticity plays a key role for a range of biologically relevant phenomena such as, for instance, protein thermal stability, protein-ligand interactions, and enzymatic catalysis. Protein flexibility is crucially important for the subtle interplay of proteins with their hydration layer and affects macromolecular diffusion.

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