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Mass spectra



Figure S1: Photodissociation mass spectrum over the full mass range of G_3 measured at 401.6 eV (BESSY II). Here, the mass window was set to see the fragment from m/z 25 to m/z 70. The dashed blue line represents the position of the precursor ion.



Figure S2: Photodissociation mass spectrum over the full mass range of G_5 measured at 401.6 eV (BESSY II). Here, the mass window was set to see the fragments from m/z 25 to m/z 70. The dashed blue line represents the position of the precursor ion.



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Figure S6: Photodissociation mass spectrum over the full mass range of G_4K measured at 401.6 eV (BESSY II). Here, the mass window was set to see the fragment from m/z 50 to m/z 160. The dashed blue line represents the position of the precursor ion.

Mass	G₅/G₃	PG₄	G₄H	G₄R	G₄K
28	$C_2H_4^+/CH_2N^+$				
29	CHO⁺				
30	G				
31	CH₃O⁺				
42	C ₂ H ₄ N ⁺				
43	CHNO ⁺				
45	COOH ⁺				
55	C ₂ NOH ⁺	C ₂ NOH ⁺			
56	C ₂ NOH ₂ ⁺	C ₂ NOH ₂ ⁺			
67					C ₅ H ₇ ⁺
68		[P-2H]⁺			
70		Р		C ₄ H ₈ N ⁺	
71		[P+H]⁺		C ₄ H ₇ O ⁺	
72				$C_4H_{10}N^+$	
81			$C_4H_5N_2^+$		
82			$C_4H_6N_2^+$		
83			$C_4H_7N_2^+$		
84					$C_5H_{10}N^+$
85				C ₃ H ₃ NO ₂ ⁺	
87			a ₂	C₄H ₉ NO⁺/a ₂	a ₂
88				$C_4H_{10}NO^+$	
93			$C_5H_5N_2^+$		
110			$C_5H_8N_3^+$		
112				$C_5H_{10}N_3^+$	
115			GG/b ₂	GG/b ₂	GG/b ₂
131					y ₁ -NH ₃
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Table S1: Attribution of the fragments observed during our study for each peptide.

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Figure S12: Experimental nitrogen K-edge partial ion yield spectra of G₃.

Molecular orbitals and structures

G5 Conformer 1



Figure S13: DFT-optimized geometry of conformer 1 of G_5 (B3LYP/ZORA-TZVP).



Figure S14: Calculated spectrum of conformer 1 of G_5 with the respective LUMOs responsible for the main transitions.

Conformer 2



Figure S15: DFT-optimized geometry of conformer 2 of G_5 (B3LYP/ZORA-TZVP).



Figure S16: Calculated spectrum of conformer 2 of G_5 with the respective LUMOs responsible for the main transitions.



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Figure S25: DFT-optimized geometry of conformer 1 G_4K (B3LYP/ZORA-TZVP).



Figure S26: Calculated spectrum of conformer 1 of G_4K with the respective LUMOs responsible for the main transitions.

Conformer 2



Figure S27: DFT-optimized geometry of conformer 2 G_4K (B3LYP/ZORA-TZVP).



Figure S28: Calculated spectrum of conformer 2 of G_4K with the respective LUMOs responsible for the main transitions.



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NEXAMS spectra of G_5 and G_3 at the C K-edge



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