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Development of potent and selective degraders of PI5P4K γ

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Abstract

Phosphatidylinositol 5-phosphate 4-kinases (PI5P4Ks), a family of three members in mammals (α , β and γ), have emerged as potential therapeutic targets due to their role in regulating many important cellular signaling pathways. In comparison to the PI5P4K α and PI5P4K β , which usually have similar expression profiles across cancer cells, PI5P4K γ exhibits distinct expression patterns, and pathological functions for PI5P4K γ have been proposed in the context of cancer and neurodegenerative diseases. PI5P4K γ has very low kinase activity and has been proposed to inhibit the PI4P5Ks through scaffolding function, providing a rationale for developing a selective PI5P4K γ degrader. Here, we report the development and characterization of JWZ-1–80, a first-in-class PI5P4K γ degrader. JWZ-1–80 potently degrades PI5P4K γ via the ubiquitin-proteasome system and exhibits proteome-wide selectivity and is therefore a useful tool compound for further dissecting the biological functions of PI5P4K γ .

Keywords

PI5P4Ky; PROTAC; Protein degrader; Selective

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Appendix A. Supplementary data

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Phosphatidylinositol 5-phosphate (PI-5-P) is one of seven phosphoinositides that regulate a wide range of cellular functions through their ability to recruit a wide array of proteins to different intracellular membranes [1,2]. The phosphorylation of the phosphoinositide PI-5-P at the 4-position yields phosphatidylinositol-4,5-bisphosphate (PI-4, 5-P₂), which is the precursor for inositol-1,4,5-trisphosphate, diacylglycerol and phosphatidylinositol-3,4,5trisphosphate [3]. The transformation of PI-5-P to PI-4,5-P₂ is catalyzed by the phosphatidylinositol 5-phosphate 4-kinase (PI5P4K) family (Fig. 1A), which consists of three members, α , β and γ , encoded by the genes *PIP4K2A*, *PIP4K2B*, and *PIP4K2C*, respectively [4]. Although all three members are ubiquitously expressed, tissue-specific differences in expression between the three enzymes have been identified [5]. Moreover, PI5P4K $\alpha/\beta/\gamma$ can form heterodimers, which has been shown to regulate the kinase activity, localization, and even introduce kinase-independent functionality [5]. Previous studies that focused on PI5P4Ka and PI5P4Kβ have demonstrated that they are involved in various cell processes, including the stress response, autophagy, and immunological responses; overexpression of these two kinases have been attributed to several malignancies, including breast and pancreatic cancer [6–14]. In contrast to PI5P4Ka/ β , which have similar expression profiles in multiple cancers, PI5P4K γ has a distinct expression profile, suggesting that PI5P4K γ might exhibit different functions in specific cancer types [15]. Moreover, while the kinase activities of PI5P4Ka/ β are well defined, studies of PI5P4K γ have suggested that it possesses minimal kinase activity compared to the other two enzymes, indicating that PI5P4K γ may have more dominant scaffolding functions [16]. For example, PI5P4K γ was reported to suppress PI4P5K-mediated PI-4,5-P₂ synthesis through forming an inactive hetero-tetramer with PI4P5K [17]. Nevertheless, PI5P4K γ has been linked to multiple signaling pathways. For example, PI5P4K γ has been reported to be a substrate of mTORC1 and in turn negatively regulates mTORC1 activity, thereby forming a feedback loop to tightly control the activity of mTORC1 under starvation conditions [18]. PI5P4K γ also positively regulates Notch pathway through promoting recycling of the Notch receptor [19]. In addition, PI5P4K γ plays a central role in mitotic spindle assembly, as deletion of PI5P4K γ leads to instability of the mitotic spindle microtubules [20]. Finally, a single nucleotide polymorphism near the human *PIP4K2C* gene is associated with increased susceptibility to the autoimmune disease rheumatoid arthritis [21], and correspondingly, deletion of PI5P4K γ in mice resulted in immune hyperactivation in aged mice, including elevated levels of proinflammatory cytokines, increased abundance of T cells and a concomitant reduction in the number of regulatory T cells. Therefore, degradation of

In addition to cancers, PI5P4K γ is also a potential therapeutical target for Huntington's disease, as genetic knockdown of PI5P4K γ leads to a reduction of mutant huntingtin protein in human patient fibroblasts and diminished aggregation in neurons [23]. Thus, PI5P4K γ could be a valuable drug target for a variety of diseases, although potential autoimmune effects due to loss of PI5P4K γ could limit its therapeutic window in non-cancer settings. Nevertheless, developing small molecules that selectively antagonize PI5P4K γ function is paramount to investigate the role of PI5P4K γ in these diseases. However, the PI5P4K

PI5P4K γ could serve as a therapeutic strategy to enhance cancer immunotherapy [22].

inhibitors reported to date either lack selectivity against its isoforms or suffer from low potency with a sub-micromolar biochemical IC50 values [16,23–31]. For example, the compounds NIH-12848 and NCT-504 have been reported as selective PI5P4K γ binders through binding in the allosteric pocket [16,23,31]. However, difficulties in optimizing these leads to improve their binding affinity has diminished the utility of these compounds as cellular probes for PI5P4K γ .

Proteolysis targeting chimeras (or PROTACs), heterobifunctional molecules that conjugate ligands for a specific protein and an E3 ubiquitin ligase with a linker, has emerged as a promising therapeutic approach to induce protein degradation. Given the additional constraints imposed by successful degradation, PROTACs can be exploited to engender selectivity, even within a family or related kinases [32,33]. For example, Thal-SNS-032, a PROTAC based on the pan-cyclin-dependent kinase (CDK) ligand SNS032, selectively induces CDK9 degradation while sparing other CDKs [34]. Similarly, CDK4 and CDK6 selective degraders have been developed based off of the dual-CDK4/6 inhibitor Palbociclib [35]. Here, we employ PROTACs to develop JWZ-1–80, a potent and selective PI5P4K γ degrader that serves as the first specific PI5P4K chemical degrader.

2. Results and discussion

We based our initial design on THZ-P1–2, a covalent pan-PI5P4Ks inhibitor recently developed in our lab [26]. Based on the co-crystal structure with PI5P4Ka (PDB: 6OSP), the acrylamide of THZ-P1–2 is exposed to an open surface region and could be used as an exit vector for linker connection (Fig. 1C). Our first series of compounds incorporated the CRBN-binding ligand thalidomide and employed linkers of varied length and composition, as represented by compounds 1–3. We also designed a truncated version of THZ-P1–2 by removing the terminal aminobenzamide to generate compounds 4–9 (Table 1).

The general synthetic route of compounds 1–9 is illustrated in Scheme 1. Briefly, Suzuki coupling of commercially available indole boronic acid A1 and 4,6-dichloropyrimidine A2 generated intermediate A3 (6-chloropyrimidin-4-yl)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-indole, which subsequently underwent a nucleophilic aromatic substitution (S_NAr) reaction with *m*-phenylenediamine at 150 °C for 4h to give intermediate A4. Condensation of A4 with 4-((tert-butoxycarbonyl)amino)benzoic acid produced intermediate A5, and subsequent deprotection of Boc and phenylsulfonyl afforded A6. Hydrolysis of A4 under basic condition provided another intermediate A7. The final products were synthesized following amide coupling of either intermediate A6 or A7 with CRBN binder linker conjugates.

The final compounds were first evaluated for PI5P4K γ binding affinity using the commercial KdELECT assay as shown in Table 1. The parental compound THZ-P1–2 has a Kd of 4.8 nM for PI5P4K γ binding. In contrast, Ac-THZ-P1–2, the reversible analog of THZ-P1–2, was approximately 7-fold less potent for PI5P4K γ binding, with a Kd of 34 nM (Fig. 1B). Attaching pomalidomide through alkyl or poly(ethylene glycol) (PEG) linkers resulted in a 10-fold loss of binding affinity (compounds 1–3). Interestingly, PROTACs incorporating the truncated PI5P4K ligand (compounds 4–9) had overall similar binding affinity as the non-truncated compounds, with Kd values ranging from 230 to 870 nM.

Next, we evaluated the ability of this series of compounds to induce cellular degradation of PI5P4K γ in Molt4 cells. As shown in Fig. 2A, 6 h treatment with either 1 or 10 μ M of each compound did not lead to a significant decrease of PI5P4K γ levels, and 24 h and 48 h treatment failed to reduce PI5P4K γ (Fig. S1), which suggested that these compounds may not be able to induce a productive ternary complex between PI5P4K γ and CRBN. Therefore, we next sought to employ VHL, a different E3 ligase substrate adaptor validated for use in PROTACs. We synthesized a set of bivalent compounds with the same PI5P4K ligand used in compounds 1–3 conjugated to VHL recruiting ligands L1– L4 through a variety of exit vectors and linkers (Table 2).

The synthesis of VHL-recruiting bivalent compounds is described in Scheme 2. Briefly, HATU-mediated amide coupling of intermediate A6 with VHL ligand L1 linker conjugates afforded compounds 10–14. Intermediate A8 was obtained from the coupling of A4 with methyl 4-(chlorocarbonyl)benzoate, subsequent hydrolysis of A8 under basic condition provided acid A9. Amide coupling of A9 with VHL ligand linker conjugates afforded bivalent molecules 15–20.

The binding affinity of these VHL-recruiting bivalent molecules for PI5P4K γ ranged from 65 nM to 510 nM (Table 2). Interestingly, the attachment site on the VHL ligands had significant impact on binding affinity to PI5P4K γ . For example, compound **17** with a phenolic linkage displayed a Kd of 510 nM, which is > 100-fold higher than the parental compound THZ-P1–2, while compounds **18–20** with a linkage to the tert-leucine moiety only exhibited approximately 2-fold loss of binding affinity.

Regardless of binding affinity, all compounds were screened for degradation of PI5P4K γ in Molt4 cells. As shown in Fig. 2B, while compound **10** induced mild degradation, compounds **11** which possesss slightly longer linkers, induced significant 67% reduction of PI5P4K γ protein levels with 1 µM treatment. However, further increasing the linker length did not improve degradation potency, as shown by compounds **12** and **13**. Compounds **15** and **16**, which were designed with a linkage from the thiazole or thioether moieties, respectively, failed to induce any degradation. 6 h treatment of 1 µM compound **17** (JWZ-1– 80), which links to the VHL ligand at its phenolic group, induced 75% reduction of PI5P4K γ . Notably, even though compound **17** was the weakest PI5P4K γ binder in this second set of compounds, its unique **L4** attachment side led to the most efficient degradation effects. This highlights the importance of ternary complex formation ability over potent ligand interactions for the development of degrader molecules.

Next, we performed dose titration and time course experiments with two best compounds **11** and **17**. As shown in Fig. 3, degradation was evident after treatment with 500 nM compound **17**, and the degradation was observed as early as 2h and sustained up to 24 h. To verify that the observed degradation is VHL-dependent, we synthesized a negative control compound **11-Neg**, featuring an analog of the VHL ligand with substantially reduced VHL binding affinity (Fig. 4A). As expected, PI5P4K γ degradation was not detected using compound **11-Neg** (Fig. 4B). In addition, pretreatment with either Ac-THZ-P1–2 or the VHL ligand rescued PI5P4K γ degradation in the presence of **17** (JWZ-1–80). The rescue was also observed upon co-treatment with a proteasome inhibitor (bortezomib) and the

neddylation inhibitor MLN4924, which prevents activation of cullin-RING E3 ligases such as CRL2^{VHL} (Fig. 4C). Taken together, these data support a VHL-dependent mechanism for compound-induced degradation of PI5P4K γ .

We next inspected PI5P4Ks selectivity for all active degraders (compounds **11–14** and **17**). Interestingly, immunoblot analysis indicated that all our PI5P4K γ -degrading compounds are highly selective for PI5P4K γ and did not induce degradation of PI5P4Ka or PI5P4K β (Fig. 5A). To determining whether the bivalent compounds still bind to PI5P4Ka and PI5P4K β , we used commercial KinaseProfilerTM platform for PI5P4Ka and KdELECT for PI5P4K β , all the selected compounds lost the binding affinity which explains the selectivity (Table S1). To more broadly assess degrader selectivity, we performed unbiased, multiplexed mass spectrometry (MS)-based proteomics analysis in Molt4 cells, which express all three PI5P4K members. As shown in Fig. 5B, proteomic analysis demonstrated that PI5P4K γ was the only protein that was significantly degraded. Since the degradation could be cell-type dependent, we examined PI5P4K γ degradation in four additional cell lines (HEK293T, Jurkat, K562 and MCF7), which demonstrated that robust degradation of PI5P4K γ can be translated across different cellular models (Fig. 6).

3. Conclusion

In summary, we converted the previously discovered pan-PI5P4K ligand THZ-P1–2 into a potent and selective PI5P4K γ degrader JWZ-1–80 via conjugation with VHL recruiting ligand. Interestingly, none of the CRBN-based PROTACs synthesized for this study were competent for inducing PI5P4K γ degradation. We were further able to show that the degradation effects of compound **17** are dependent on VHL and the ubiquitin-proteasome pathway and could be fully rescued by competition with either the parental PI5P4K or VHL ligands. Importantly, JWZ-1–80 exhibited exquisite selectivity for degrading PI5P4K γ amongst the PI5P4K family as well as across the entire proteome, credentialing JWZ-1–80 as the first selective PI5P4K γ probe. Finally, we found that PI5P4K γ degradation could be induced in multiple cell lines, which enables the use of JWZ-1–80 as a selective chemical probe in a variety of biological contexts to investigate the functions of PI5P4K γ .

4. Experimental section

4.1. Chemical synthesis

Unless otherwise noted, reagents and solvents were obtained from commercial suppliers and were used without further purification. ¹H NMR spectra were recorded on 500 MHz (Bruker A500), and chemical shifts are reported in parts per million (ppm, d) downfield from tetra-methylsilane (TMS). Coupling constants (J) are reported in Hz. Spin multiplicities are described as s (singlet), br (broad singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), and m (multiplet). Mass spectra were obtained on a Waters Micromass ZQ instrument. Preparative HPLC was performed on a Waters Sunfire C18 column (19 × 50 mm, 5 μ M) using a gradient of 15–95% methanol in water containing 0.05% trifluoroacetic acid (TFA) over 22 min (28 min run time) at a flow rate of 20 mL/min. Purities of assayed compounds were in all cases greater than 95%, as determined by reverse-phase HPLC analysis.

4.1.1. Synthesis of 3-(6-chloropyrimidin-4-yl)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-indole (A3)—4,6-Dichloropyrimidine (300 mg, 2.0 mmol, 1.0 eq), (1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-indol-3-yl)boronic acid (602 mg, 2.0 mmol, 1.0 eq), K_2CO_3 (828 mg, 3.0 eq) and Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂ (70 mg, 0.05 eq) were dissolved in acetonitrile (10 mL). The reaction mixture was heated to 100 °C for 12 h under N₂ protection. After cooling to room temperature, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and purified by flash chromatography to give A3 (339 mg) as a brown solid. LC-MS (ESI) *m/z*. [M+H]⁺: calcd 370.04, found 370.21.

4.1.2. Synthesis of N 1-(6-(1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-

yl)benzene-1,3-diamine (A4)—A3 (1.0 g, 2.7 mmol, 1.0 eq) and phenylenediamine (1.46 g, 5.0 eq) were dissolved in NMP (10 mL). DIEA (4.7 mL, 10 eq) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred at 150 °C for 4 h. The resulting mixture was cooled to room temperature, diluted with ethyl acetate and water and the organic layer was washed with water and brine. The organic layer was further dried over Na₂SO₄ and purified by flash chromatography to give A4 (1.3 g) as a brown solid. LC-MS (ESI) m/z. [M+H]⁺: calcd 442.13, found 442.19.

4.1.3. Synthesis of tert-butyl (4-((3-((6-(1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-indol-3yl)pyrimidin-4-yl)amino)phenyl) carbamoyl)phenyl)carbamate (A5)—To a

mixture of A4 (88 mg, 1.0 eq), 4-((tert-butoxycarbonyl)amino) benzoic acid (71 mg, 1.5 eq) and DIPEA (4.0 eq) in DMF (2 mL) was added HATU (114 mg, 1.5 eq). The resultant mixture was stirred at room temperature overnight. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and purified by flash chromatography to give A5 (101 mg) as a yellow solid. LC-MS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺: calcd 661.22, found 661.40.

4.1.4. Synthesis of N1-(6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-yl)benzene-1,3-

diamine(A6)—A5 (101 mg, 1 eq) dissolved in DCM (2 mL) was added TFA (1 mL) and the reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 3 h. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure to give crude product 4-amino-N-(3-((6-(1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-indol-3yl)pyrimidin-4-yl)amino)phenyl) benzamide which was used in next step without further purification. LC-MS (ESI) *m/z*: $[M+H]^+$: calcd 561.17, found 561.14. 4-amino-N-(3-((6-(1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-yl)amino)phenyl)benzamidewas dissolved in dioxane (2 mL) and then 2 M NaOH (1 mL) was added. The mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 3 h. The resulting mixture was cooled to room temperature, acidified to pH = 5–7 with 2 M HCl, exacted with EtOAc and the organic layer was washed with water and brine. The organic layer was removed and purified by flash chromatography to give. A6 (57 mg) as a yellow solid. LC-MS (ESI) *m/z*: $[M+H]^+$: calcd 421.18, found 421. 07.

4.1.5. Synthesis of N1-(6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-yl)benzene-1,3-diamine

(A7)—To A4 (300 mg, 0.67 mmol, 1 eq) in dioxane (3 mL) was added 2 M NaOH (2 mL) and the reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 3 h. The mixture was cooled to room temperature, acidified to pH =5-7 with 2 M HCl, extracted with EtOAc and the organic layer was washed with water and brine. The organic layer was removed under reduced pressure and purified by flash chromatography to give A7 (167 mg) as a yellow solid. LC-MS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺: calcd 302.14, found 302.23.

4.1.6. Synthesis of methyl 4-((3-((6-(1-(phenylsulfonyl)-1H-indol-3-

yl)pyrimidin-4-yl)amino)phenyl)carbamoyl)benzoate (A8)—A4 (100 mg, 0.23 mmol, 1.0 eq) and Et₃N (63 μ L, 3.0 eq) were added to methyl 4-(chlorocarbonyl)benzoate (50 mg, 2.0 eq) in DCM (2 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at rt overnight. The solvent was removed under reduce pressure and diluted with water, extracted with ethyl acetate and the organic layer was washed with water and brine. The organic layer was further dried over Na₂SO₄ and purified by flash chromatography to give A8(120 mg) as a yellow solid. LC-MS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺: calcd 604.17, found 604.28.

4.1.7. Synthesis of 4-((3-((6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-

yl)amino)phenyl)carbamoyl)benzoic acid(A9)—To **A8** (120 mg 1.0 eq) in dioxane (2 mL) was added 2 M NaOH (1 mL) and the reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 3 h. The resulting mixture was cooled to room temperature, acidified to pH =5–7 with 2 M HCl, exacted with EtOAc and the organic layer was washed with water and brine. The organic layer was further dried over Na₂SO₄ and purified by flash chromatography to give **A9** (57 mg) as yellow solid. LC-MS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺: calcd 450.16, found 450.23.

4.2. General synthesis of compound 1 – 20

To a mixture of A6 (or A7)(1.0 eq), carboxylic acid linker (1.5 eq.) and DIPEA (4.0 eq) in DMF (1 mL) was added HATU (1.5 eq). The resultant mixture was stirred at room temperature overnight. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and purified by HPLC to give final compounds.

4.2.1. N-(3-((6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-yl)amino)phenyl)-4-(6-((2-(2,6-dioxopiperidin-3-yl)-1,3-dioxoisoindolin-4-yl)amino)hexanamido) benzamide (compound 1)—8 mg as a white solid. LC-MS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+H]⁺: calcd 790.31, found 790.37.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.08 (s, 1H), 11.09 (s, 1H), 10.32 (s, 1H), 10.23 (s, 1H), 9.49 (s, 1H), 8.76 (s, 1H), 8.27 (d, J= 3.0 Hz, 1H), 8.24 (d, J= 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.12 (d, J= 7.7 Hz,1H), 7.97 (d, J= 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.75 (d, J= 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.60–7.54 (m, 2H), 7.52 (d, J= 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (d, J= 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.41–7.34 (m, 2H), 7.26 (p, J= 7.0 Hz, 2H) 7.08 (d, J= 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, J= 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.53 (t, J= 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (dd, J= 5.6, 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.31 (q, J= 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.94–2.81 (m, 1H), 2.62–2.49 (m, 2H), 2.32 (t, J= 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.08–2.01 (m, 1H), 1.62–1.51 (m, 4H), 1.40–1.32 (m, 2H).

4.2.2. N-(3-((6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-

yl)amino)phenyl)-4-(3-(2-(2-(2-((2-(2,6-dioxopiperidin-3-yl)-1,3dioxoisoindolin-4-yl)amino)ethoxy)ethoxy)ethoxy)propanamido)benzamide (compound 2)—9 mg white

solid. LC-MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: [M+H]⁺: calcd 880.34, found 880.40.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 12.07 (s, 1H), 11.10 (s, 1H), 10.32 (s, 1H), 10.22.

(s, 1H), 9.48 (s, 1H), 8.76 (s, 1H), 8.27 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 8.24 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.12 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.97 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.59–7.54 (m, 2H), 7.52

(d, J=8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (d, J= 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.41–7.34 (m, 2H), 7.28–7.20 (m, 2H), 7.15 (d, J= 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (t, J= 5.8 Hz, 1H), 5.05 (dd, J= 12.8, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 3.64–3 0.47 (m, 14H), 2.93–2.82 (m, 1H), 2.66–2.51 (m, 2H), 2.18 (t, J= 8.1 Hz, 2H), 2.07–1.99 (m, 1H).

4.2.3. N-(3-((6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-yl)amino)phenyl)-4-(10-(2-((2-(2,6-dioxopiperidin-3-yl)-1,3-dioxoisoindolin-4-yl)oxy)acetamido)

decanamido)benzamide (compound 3)—7 mg white solid. LC-MS (ESI) m/z. [M+H]⁺: calcd 904.38, found 904.45.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.13 (s, 1H), 11.12 (s, 1H), 10.48 (s, 1H), 10.20 (d, J = 35.8 Hz, 2H), 8.80 (s, 1H), 8.37–8.18 (m, 2H), 8.09 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.95 (t, J = 8.3 Hz, 3H), 7.85–7.78 (m, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.58 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (dd, J = 15.5, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.42–7.35 (m, 3H), 7.28 (p, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 5.12 (dd, J = 12.7, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (s, 2H), 3.14 (q, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H), 2.90 (ddd, J = 16.9, 13.7, 5.5 Hz, 2H), 2.64–2.53 (m, 2H), 2.35 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.10–1.99 (m, 1H), 1.60 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.45–1.40 (m, 3H), 1.30–1.25 (m, 10H).

4.2.4. N-(3-((6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-yl)amino)phenyl)-9-(2-((2-(2,6-dioxopiperidin-3-yl)-1,3-dioxoisoindolin-4-yl)oxy)acetamido) nonanamide (compound 4)—7.8 mg white solid. LC-MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: [M+H] +: calcd 771.33, found 771.46.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.24 (s, 1H), 11.12 (s, 1H), 10.68 (s, 1H), 10.01 (s, 1H), 8.83 (s, 1H), 8.33 (d, J= 3.1 Hz, 1H), 8.09 (d, J= 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (d, J= 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (t, J= 5.8 Hz, 1H), 7.84–7.78 (m, 1H), 7.63–7.57 (m, 1H), 7.50 (d, J=7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.42–7.22 (m, 6H), 5.12 (dd, J= 12.8, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (s, 2H), 3.14 (q, J= 6.7 Hz, 2H), 2.98–2.82 (m, 1H), 2.60 (dt, J= 17.1, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (t, J= 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.09–1.99 (m, 1H), 1.60 (t, J=7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.44 (t, J=6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.36–1.17 (m, 8H).

4.2.5. N-(3-((6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-yl)amino)phenyl)-3-(2-(2-(2-((2-(2,6-dioxopiperidin-3-yl)-1,3-dioxoisoindolin-4-yl)oxy)acetamido) ethoxy)ethoxy)propanamide (compound 5)—5.8 mg solid. LC-MS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+H]⁺: calcd 775.28, found 775.35.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.24 (s, 1H), 11.12 (s, 1H), 10.68 (s, 1H), 10.09 (s, 1H), 8.83 (s, 1H), 8.33 (d, J= 3.1 Hz, 1H), 8.09 (d, J= 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.07–7.95 (m, 2H), 7.79 (dd, J= 8.5, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.65–7.57 (m, 1H), 7.48 (d, J= 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.43–7.25 (m, 6H), 5.11 (dd, J= 12.8, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (s, 2H), 3.56–3.52 (m, 8H), 3.47 (t, J= 5.7 Hz, 2H), 3.30 (d, J= 5.7 Hz, 2H), 2.97–2.84 (m, 1H), 2.74 (s, 1H), 2.59 (t, J= 6.3 Hz, 2H), 2.09–1.96 (m, 2H).

(compound 6)—7.3 mg as

a white solid. LC-MS (ESI) *m*/*z*. [M+H]⁺: calcd 819.31, found 819.29.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.25 (s, 1H), 11.12 (s, 1H), 10.69 (s, 1H), 10.09 (s, 1H), 8.84 (s, 1H), 8.33 (d, J= 3.1 Hz, 1H), 8.10 (d, J= 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.06–7.96 (m, 2H), 7.83–7.75 (m, 1H), 7.64–7.56 (m, 1H), 7.49 (d, J= 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.45–7.25 (m, 6H), 5.11 (dd, J= 12.8, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (s, 2H), 3.58–3.48 (m, 12H), 3.44 (t, J= 5.7 Hz, 2H), 3.30 (q, J= 5.7 Hz, 2H), 2.89 (ddd, J= 17.1, 13.6, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.58 (q, J= 5.0, 3.8 Hz, 2H), 2.11–1.97 (m, 1H).

4.2.7. N-(3-((6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-yl)amino)phenyl)-1-(2-((2-(2,6-dioxopiperidin-3-yl)-1,3-dioxoisoindolin-4-yl)oxy)acetamido)-3,6,9,12-tetraoxapentadecan-15-amide (compound 7)—7.3 mg white solid. LC-MS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺: calcd 863.34, found 863.51.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.21 (s, 1H), 11.12 (s, 1H), 10.61 (s, 1H), 10.08 (s, 1H), 8.82 (s, 1H), 8.31 (d, J= 3.1 Hz, 1H), 8.10 (d, J= 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.04 (d, J= 7.4 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (t, J= 5.7 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (dd, J= 8.5, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (dd, J= 6.7, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (d, J= 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.42–7.23 (m, 6H), 5.11 (dd, J= 12.8, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (s, 2H), 3.72 (t, J= 6.2 Hz, 2H), 3.54–3.41 (m, 16H), 3.31 (q, J= 5.7 Hz, 2H), 2.89 (ddd, J= 17.0, 13.8, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.59 (t, J= 6.2 Hz, 2H), 2.11–2.04 (m, 1H).

4.2.8. N-(3-((6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-yl)amino)phenyl)-6-(2-(2,6-dioxopiperidin-3-yl)-1,3-dioxoisoindolin-4-yl)hex-5-ynamide (compound **8**)—7.7 mg white solid. LC-MS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺: calcd 652.23, found 652.29.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.18 (s, 1H), 11.14 (s, 1H), 10.54 (s, 1H), 10.12 (s, 1H), 8.81 (s, 1H), 8.31 (d, J = 3.1 Hz, 1H), 8.13–8.01 (m, 2H), 7.87 (hept, J = 4.8, 4.2 Hz, 3H), 7.62–7.55 (m, 1H), 7.53–7.43 (m, 1H), 7.41–7.20 (m, 5H), 5.15 (dd, J = 12.9, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.88 (ddd, J = 17.1, 13.8, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.59 (dt, J = 19.3, 7.1 Hz, 6H), 2.05 (dtd, J = 13.0, 5.2, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 2.01–1.90 (m, 2H).

4.2.9. N-(3-((6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-yl)amino)phenyl)-8-(2-(2,6-dioxopiperidin-3-yl)-1,3-dioxoisoindolin-4-yl)oct-7-ynamide (compound 9)—6.1 mg white solid.LC-MS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺: calcd 680.26, found 680.37.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.18 (s, 1H), 11.14 (s, 1H), 10.55 (s, 1H), 10.04 (s, 1H), 8.81 (s, 1H), 8.31 (d, J= 3.1 Hz, 1H), 8.14–7.96 (m, 2H), 7.91–7.77 (m, 3H), 7.63–7.56 (m, 1H), 7.49 (s, 1H), 7.41–7.24 (m, 5H), 5.15 (dd, J= 12.9, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.88 (ddd, J= 17.1, 13.9, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.39 (t, J= 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.09–1.99 (m, 1H), 1.66 (dq, J= 24.8, 7.3 Hz, 6H), 1.51 (ddt, J= 15.1, 9.8, 5.8 Hz, 2H).

4.2.10. N1-(4-((3-((6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-yl)amino)phenyl) carbamoyl)phenyl)-N4-((2S)-1-((4R)-4-hydroxy-2-(((S)-1-(4-(4-methylthiazol-5yl)phenyl)ethyl)carbamoyl)pyrrolidin-1-yl)-3,3-dimethyl-1-oxobutan-2yl)succinamide (compound 10)—6.2 mg white solid. LC-MS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+H]⁺: calcd 933.39, found 933.45.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.36 (s, 1H), 10.95 (s, 1H), 10.42 (s, 1H), 10.33 (s, 1H), 8.99 (s, 1H), 8.89 (s, 1H), 8.47–8.35 (m, 2H), 8.31–8.19 (m, 2H), 8.00 (dd, J= 20.4, 8.1 Hz, 3H), 7.76 (d, J= 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.62 (d, J= 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.55–7.48 (m, 2H), 7.48–7.37 (m, 6H), 7.36–7.27 (m, 2H), 4.94 (t, J= 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (d, J= 9.3 Hz, 1H), 4.46 (t, J= 8.1 Hz, 1H), 3.71–3.55 (m, 2H), 3.54–3.28 (m, 2H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 2.10–1.98 (m, 1H), 1.39 (d, J= 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.98 (s, 9H).

4.2.11. N1-(4-((3-((6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-yl)amino)phenyl) carbamoyl)phenyl)-N4-((2S)-1-((4R)-4-hydroxy-2-(((S)-1-(4-(4-methylthiazol-5yl)phenyl)ethyl)carbamoyl)pyrrolidin-1-yl)-3,3-dimethyl-1-oxobutan-2yl)succinamide (compound 11)—10.6 mg white solid. LC-MS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+H]⁺: calcd 947.40, found 947.55.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.34 (s, 1H), 10.95 (s, 1H), 10.29 (s, 1H), 10.26 (s, 1H), 9.00 (s, 1H), 8.89 (s, 1H), 8.44–8.34 (m, 2H), 8.29 (d, J= 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d, J= 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.95 (dd, J= 13.5, 9.0 Hz, 3H), 7.75 (d, J= 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.68–7.58 (m, 1H), 7.51 (d, J= 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.46–7.41 (m, 3H), 7.39 (d, J= 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (td, J= 14.4, 6.3 Hz, 2H), 4.96–4.89 (m, 1H), 4.54 (d, J= 9.3 Hz, 1H), 4.44 (t, J= 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.66–3.55 (m, 2H), 2.71–2.54 (m, 2H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 2.11–1.94 (m, 2H), 1.80 (ddd, J= 12.9, 8.5, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 1.39 (d, J= 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.95 (s, 9H).

4.2.12. N1-(4-((3-((6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-

yl)amino)phenyl)carbamoyl)phenyl)-N4-((S)-1-((2S,4S)-4-hydroxy-2-(((S)-1-(4-(4-methylthiazol-5-yl)phenyl)ethyl)carbamoyl)pyrrolidin-1-yl)-3,3dimethyl-1-oxobutan-2-yl)succinamide(compound 11-NEG)—11.3 mg white solid. LC-MS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+H]⁺: calcd 947.40, found 947.46.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.30 (s, 1H), 10.85 (s, 1H), 10.27 (s, 1H), 10.24 (s, 1H), 8.97 (s, 1H), 8.87 (s, 1H), 8.37 (d, J= 3.2 Hz, 1H), 8.28 (d, J= 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.09–8.03 (m, 3H), 7.98–7.91 (m, 2H), 7.72 (d, J= 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.64–7.58 (m, 1H), 7.57–7.36 (m, 8H), 7.35–7.25 (m, 2H), 4.94–4.88 (m, 1H), 4.45 (d, J= 8.2 Hz, 1H), 4.40 (dd, J= 8.2, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 4.34–4.30 (m, 1H), 3.81–3.77 (m, 1H), 2.71–2.54 (m, 3H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 2.42 (d, J= 4.9 Hz, 1H), 2.05–1.91 (m, 2H), 1.34 (d, J= 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.98 (s, 9H).

4.2.13. N1-(4-((3-((6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-

yl)amino)phenyl)carbamoyl)phenyl)-N6-((2S)-1-((4R)-4-hydroxy-2-(((S)-1-(4-(4methylthiazol-5-yl)phenyl)ethyl)carbamoyl)pyrrolidin-1-yl)-3,3-dimethyl-1oxobutan-2-yl)adipamide (compound 12)—11.3

mg white solid. LC-MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: [M+H]⁺: calcd 975.43, found 975.45.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.25 (s, 1H), 10.77 (s, 1H), 10.26 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 10.18 (s, 1H), 8.99 (s, 1H), 8.86 (s, 1H), 8.40–8.31 (m, 2H), 8.28 (d, J=2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.04 (d, J=7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.00–7.91 (m, 2H), 7.83 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (dd, J = 8.3, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.46–7.36 (m, 6H), 7.32 (q, J = 8.5, 7.6 Hz, 2H), 4.98–4.85 (m, 1H), 4.53 (d, J= 9.3 Hz, 1H), 4.43 (t, J= 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.29 (q, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.64–3.62 (m, 1H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 2.36 (q, J= 8.2,

7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.33–2.26 (m, 1H), 2.18 (dt, J= 13.9, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.08 (s, 1H), 2.02 (ddd, J= 11.0, 7.8, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 1.80 (ddd, J= 12.9, 8.5, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 1.57 (ddd, J= 26.6, 14.1, 7.5 Hz, 4H), 1.38 (d, J= 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.94 (d, J= 7.7 Hz, 9H).

4.2.14. N1-(4-((3-((6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4yl)amino)phenyl)carbamoyl)phenyl)-N8-((2S)-1-((4R)-4-hydroxy-2-(((S)-1-(4-(4methylthiazol-5-yl)phenyl)ethyl)carbamoyl)pyrrolidin-1-yl)-3,3-dimethyl-1oxobutan-2-yl)octanediamide (compound 13)—

9.1 mg white solid. LC-MS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+H]⁺: calcd 1003.47, found 1003.61.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.30 (s, 1H), 10.84 (s, 1H), 10.23 (d, J = 46.7 Hz, 2H), 8.93 (d, J = 59.4 Hz, 2H), 8.41–8.32 (m, 2H), 8.28 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.04 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.99–7.92 (m, 2H), 7.82–7.72 (m, 3H), 7.64–7.58 (m, 1H), 7.57–7.47 (m, 2H), 7.46–7.35 (m, 7H), 7.36–7.27 (m, 3H), 4.99–4.83 (m, 2H), 4.57–4.36 (m, 4H), 4.29 (d, J = 5.3 Hz, 2H), 2.46 (s, 4H), 2.35 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.31–2.22 (m, 2H), 2.19–2.08 (m, 2H), 2.01 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 1.80 (ddd, J = 12.9, 8.5, 4.6 Hz, 2H), 1.66–1.43 (m, 6H), 1.38 (d, J= 7.0 Hz, 4H), 1.34–1.23 (m, 5H), 0.94 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 9H).

4.2.15. N1-(4-((3-((6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-

yl)amino)phenyl)carbamoyl)phenyl)-N10-((2S)-1-((4R)-4-hydroxy-2-(((S)-1-(4-(4-methylthiazol-5-yl)phenyl)ethyl)carbamoyl)pyrrolidin-1-yl)-3,3-dimethyl-1oxobutan-2-yl)decanediamide (compound 14)—

6.6 mg white solid. LC-MS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+H]⁺: calcd 1031.50, found 1031.55.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.29 (s, 1H), 10.82 (s, 1H), 10.28 (s, 1H), 10.18 (s, 1H), 8.98 (s, 1H), 8.86 (s, 1H), 8.43–8.32 (m, 2H), 8.28 (d, J= 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.04 (d, J= 7.6 Hz, 1H), 8.01–7.88 (m, 2H), 7.82–7.69 (m, 3H), 7.65–7.57 (m, 1H), 7.57–7.46 (m, 1H), 7.48–7.20 (m, 8H), 4.91 (q, J= 7.3 Hz, 1H), 4.52 (d, J= 9.3 Hz, 1H), 4.43 (t, J= 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.29 (q, J= 4.2, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.65–3.45 (m, 1H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 2.35 (t, J= 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.26 (dt, J= 14.7, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 2.11 (ddd, J= 14.1, 8.0, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 2.06–1.95 (m, 1H), 1.80 (ddd, J= 12.9, 8.5, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 1.61 (t, J= 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.56–1.41 (m, 1H), 1.38 (d, J= 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.28 (d, J= 13.7 Hz, 10H), 0.93 (d, J= 5.8 Hz, 9H).

4.2.16. N1-(3-((6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-yl)amino)phenyl)-N4-(5-(5-(4-((S)-1-((2S,4R)-1-((S)-2-acetamido-3,3-dimethylbutanoyl)-4hydroxypyrrolidine-2 carboxamido)ethyl)phenyl)thiazole-4-carboxamido) pentyl)terephthalamide (compound 15)—7.2 mg

white solid. LC-MS (ESI) *m*/*z*: [M+H]⁺: calcd 1032.46, found 1032.49.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.22 (s, 1H), 10.68 (s, 1H), 10.50 (s, 1H), 9.10 (s, 1H), 8.84 (s, 1H), 8.62 (t, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 8.45 (t, J = 5.9 Hz, 1H), 8.39 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.33 (d, J = 3.1 Hz, 1H), 8.29 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.05 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 3H), 7.99 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.89 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 7.64–7.54 (m, 2H), 7.53–7.46 (m, 3H), 7.46–7.38 (m, 2H), 7.36–7.22 (m, 4H), 4.92 (p, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 4.56–4.40 (m, 2H), 4.28 (q, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (dq, J = 32.4, 6.7 Hz, 5H), 2.07–1.98 (m, 1H), 1.88 (s, 3H), 1.81 (ddd, J = 12.9, 8.5, 4.7 Hz, 2H), 1.62–1.45 (m, 5H), 1.36 (dd, J = 15.1, 7.3 Hz, 5H), 0.93 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 9H).

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4.2.17. N1-(3-((6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-yl)amino)phenyl)-N4-(5-
(((R)-3-acetamido-4-((2S,4R)-4-hydroxy-2-(((S)-1-(4-(4-methylthiazol-5-
yl)phenyl)ethyl)carbamoyl)pyrrolidin-1-yl)-2-methyl-4-oxobutan-2-
yl)thio)pentyl)terephthalamidede (compound 16)—7.0 mg
white solid. LC-MS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: calcd 1021.42, found 1021.51.
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¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.32 (s, 1H), 10.90 (s, 1H), 10.52 (s, 1H), 8.98 (s, 1H), 8.88 (s, 1H), 8.62 (t, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 8.37 (d, J = 3.1 Hz, 1H), 8.30 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 8.12 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 8.09–7.95 (m, 5H), 7.66–7.24 (m, 11H), 5.00–4.78 (m, 3H), 4.41 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.30 (s, 2H), 3.28 (q, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 2.56 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 2.10–2.00 (m, 1H), 1.89 (s, 3H), 1.52 (dt, J = 29.6, 7.4 Hz, 4H), 1.43–1.31 (m, 8H), 1.28 (s, 3H).

4.2.18. N1-(3-((6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-yl)amino)phenyl)-N4-(5-(2-((S)-1-((2S,4R)-1-((S)-2-acetamido-3,3-dimethylbutanoyl)-4hydroxypyrrolidine-2-carboxamido)ethyl)-5-(4-methylthiazol-5yl)phenoxy)pentyl)terephthalamide (compound 17)—10.3 mg white solid. LC-MS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺: calcd 1019.46, found 1019.55.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.28 (s, 1H), 10.82 (s, 1H), 10.51 (s, 1H), 8.98 (d, J= 3.4 Hz, 1H), 8.87 (s, 1H), 8.65 (t, J= 5.7 Hz, 1H), 8.41 (d, J= 7.3 Hz, 1H), 8.36 (d, J= 3.1 Hz, 1H), 8.32–8.25 (m, 1H), 8.09–7.85 (m, 6H), 7.66–7.37 (m, 6H), 7.36–7.24 (m, 2H), 7.05–6.94 (m, 1H), 6.89 (dd, J= 7.9, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.98 (t, J= 7.0 Hz, 1H), 4.58–4.40 (m, 3H), 4.35 (t, J= 3.9 Hz, 2H), 4.07 (t, J= 6.3 Hz, 3H), 3.64–3.60 (m, 5H), 3.34 (d, J= 6.5 Hz, 3H), 2.47 (d, J= 7.0 Hz, 3H), 2.00 (dd, J= 8.1, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 1.95–1.77 (m, 6H), 1.65 (q, J= 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.56 (q, J= 8.1, 7.7 Hz, 2H), 1.29 (dd, J= 16.1, 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (d, J= 2.6 Hz, 2H), 0.85 (s, 9H). 13C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO) δ 171.52, 170.82, 170.09, 169.62, 165.86, 165.60, 161.73, 159.12, 158.86, 158.59, 155.83, 154.11, 151.88, 148.31, 148.10, 140.16, 138.63, 137.79, 137.74, 137.31, 132.92, 131.98, 130.97, 130.38, 129.73, 128.17, 127.68, 126.98, 124.45, 123.60, 122.18, 121.11, 119.91, 117.32, 115.86, 113.85, 113.61, 112.08, 69.35, 67.83, 59.03, 56.88, 44.50, 38.30, 35.60, 29.22, 28.98, 26.88, 26.77, 23.67, 23.56, 22.79, 21.26, 16.51, 16.44.

4.2.19. N1-(3-((6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-yl)amino)phenyl)-N4-(3-(((2S)-1-((4R)-4-hydroxy-2-(((S)-1-(4-(4-methylthiazol-5yl)phenyl)ethyl)carbamoyl)pyrrolidin-1-yl)-3,3-dimethyl-1-oxobutan-2yl)amino)-3-oxopropyl)terephthalamide (compound 18)—7.9 mg white solid. LC-MS (ESI) m/z: $[M+H]^+$: calcd 947.40, found 947.42.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.30 (s, 1H), 10.86 (s, 1H), 10.51 (d, J = 14.1 Hz, 1H), 8.99 (s, 1H), 8.87 (s, 1H), 8.63 (t, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 8.41–8.34 (m, 2H), 8.32–8.26 (m, 1H), 8.09–7.94 (m, 5H), 7.63–7.59 (m, 1H), 7.56 (s, 1H), 7.52 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.47–7.41 (m, 3H), 7.41–7.36 (m, 2H), 7.35–7.27 (m, 2H), 4.91 (dt, J = 15.6, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 4.55 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 4.44 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.30 (t, J = 3.8 Hz, 1H), 2.59 (dt, J = 14.8, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 1H), 2.03 (ddd, J = 11.2, 7.7, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 1.81 (ddd, J = 13.0, 8.5, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 1.38 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 9H).

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4.2.20. N1-(3-((6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-yl)amino)phenyl)-
N4-(4-(((2S)-1-((4R)-4-hydroxy-2-(((S)-1-(4-(4-methylthiazol-5-
yl)phenyl)ethyl)carbamoyl)pyrrolidin-1-yl)-3,3-dimethyl-1-oxobutan-2-
yl)amino)-4-oxobutyl)terephthalamide (compound 19)—6.1
mg white solid. LC-MS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]^+: calcd 961.42, found 961.46.
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¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 12.32 (s, 1H), 10.90 (s, 1H), 10.53 (s, 1H), 8.99 (s, 1H), 8.88 (s, 1H), 8.66 (t, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 8.41–8.28 (m, 3H), 8.10–7.95 (m, 5H), 7.91 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 7.66–7.25 (m, 11H), 4.93 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.62–4.39 (m, 4H), 4.29 (q, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 2H), 3.68–3.57 (m, 4H), 3.29 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 2.29 (ddd, *J* = 49.1, 14.4, 7.1 Hz, 3H), 2.02 (t, *J* = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 1.85–1.71 (m, 3H), 1.38 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.95 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 9H).

4.2.21. N1-(3-((6-(1H-indol-3-yl)pyrimidin-4-yl)amino)phenyl)-N4-(7-(((2S)-1-((4R)-4-hydroxy-2-(((S)-1-(4-(4-methylthiazol-5yl)phenyl)ethyl)carbamoyl)pyrrolidin-1-yl)-3,3-dimethyl-1-oxobutan-2yl)amino)-7-oxoheptyl)terephthalamide (compound 20)—9.2 mg white solid. LC-MS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺: calcd 1003.47, found 1003.49.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 12.30 (s, 1H), 10.86 (s, 1H), 10.51 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 8.99 (s, 1H), 8.87 (s, 1H), 8.62 (t, J = 5.7 Hz, 1H), 8.41–8.33 (m, 2H), 8.30 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.09–7.95 (m, 5H), 7.80 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 7.64–7.48 (m, 3H), 7.49–7.40 (m, 5H), 7.38 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.36–7.25 (m, 3H), 4.92 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.60–4.41 (m, 3H), 4.29 (t, J = 3.7 Hz, 2H), 3.28 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 4H), 2.46 (s, 4H), 2.32–2.20 (m, 2H), 2.14 (dt, J = 14.4, 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.01 (td, J = 9.1, 7.7, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 1.80 (ddd, J = 12.9, 8.5, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 1.53 (dp, J = 14.1, 6.7 Hz, 6H), 1.34 (dd, J = 32.8, 6.6 Hz, 9H), 0.94 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 9H).

4.3. Cell culture

Molt-4 (CRL-1582), Jurkat (clone E6–1, Lot Number 60628582) and HEK293T cells (CRL-3216) were purchased from ATCC. All media was supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum (FBS) and 1% penicillin/streptomycin. MOLT-4 cells were cultured in RPMI-1640 media containing L-glutamine. Jurkat (male) cells were cultured in RPMI containing 10% fetal bovine serum and 1% Penicillin/Streptomycin. HEK293T cells were cultured in DMEM media without L-glutamine. Mycoplasma testing was performed on a monthly basis using the MycoAlert mycoplasma detection kit (Lonza) and all lines were negative.

4.4. Kd evaluation for PI5P4Kγ, PI5P4Kβ and enzymatic inhibition for PI5P4Kα.

The Kd values for PI5P4K γ , PI5P4K β binding were determined by the commercially available KdELECT. Enzymatic inhibition for PI5P4K α were determined by commercially available KinaseProfilerTM and respective protocols are available from Eurofins DiscoverX.

4.5. Immunoblotting analysis

Cells were lysed in RIPA buffer (150 mM NaCl, 1.0% IGEPAL[®] CA-630, 0.5% sodium deoxycholate, 0.1% SDS, 50 mM Tris, pH 8.0) (Sigma, cat# R0278) with protease inhibitor

(Sigma, cat# 11836153001)/phosphatase (Sigma, cat# 04906837001) inhibitor. The protein concentrations were measured by BCA analysis (Thermo Fisher Scientific, cat # PI23225). Equal amounts of protein were resolved by 4–12% Tris-Base gels (Life Technologies, cat# NW04125BOX), and then transferred to the Immuno-Blot PVDF membrane (BioRad, cat# 1620177). Proteins were probed with appropriate primary antibodies at 4 °C overnight and then with IRDye[®]800-labeled goat anti-rabbit IgG (LICOR Biosciences, cat# 926–32211), IRDye[®]800-labeled goat anti-mouse IgG (LICOR Biosciences, cat# 926–32210) or IRDye 680RD goat anti-Mouse IgG (LICOR Biosciences, cat# 926–68070) secondary antibodies at room temperature for 1 h. The membranes were detected on Odyssey CLx system. Antibodies used in this study include anti-following proteins:

β-Actin (Cell Signaling Technology, cat#3700).

PI5P4Kα (Cell Signaling Cat# 5527) PI5P4Kβ (Cell Signaling Technologies Cat# 9694), PI5P4Kγ (Sigma-Aldrich Cat# HPA058551); Vinculin(Cell Signaling Technologies Cat# 4650).Sample preparation TMT LC-MS3 mass spectrometry.

Molt4 cells were plated in fresh media in 10 cm plates and treated for 5 h with DMSO or 1 μ M JWZ-1–80, harvested by centrifugation, washed twice with PBS and snap frozen in liquid nitrogen. Cell lysis and Tandem Mass Tagged (TMT) tryptic peptides were prepared for LCMS analysis following published procedures [36].

The data were acquired using a mass range of m/z 340–1350, resolution 120,000, AGC target 5 × 10⁵, maximum injection time 100 ms, dynamic exclusion of 120 s for the peptide measurements in the Orbitrap. Data dependent MS2 spectra were acquired in the ion trap with a normalized collision energy (NCE) set at 35%, AGC target set to 1.8×10^4 and a maximum injection time of 120 ms. MS3 scans were acquired in the Orbitrap with a HCD collision energy set to 55%, AGC target set to 2×10^5 , maximum injection time of 150 ms, resolution at 50,000 and with a maximum synchronous precursor selection (SPS) precursors set to 10.

4.6. LC-MS data analysis

Proteome Discoverer 2.4 (Thermo Fisher Scientific) was used for. RAW file processing and controlling peptide and protein level false discovery rates, assembling proteins from peptides, and protein quantification from peptides. MS/MS spectra were searched against a Swissprot human database (February 2020) with both the forward and reverse sequences. Database search criteria are as follows: tryptic with two missed cleavages, a precursor mass tolerance of 20 ppm, fragment ion mass tolerance of 0.6 Da, static alkylation of cysteine (57.0215 Da), static TMT labelling of lysine residues and N-termini of peptides (304.2071 Da), and variable oxidation of methionine (15.9949 Da). TMT reporter ion intensities were measured using a 0.003 Da window around the theoretical m/z for each reporter ion in the MS3 scan. Peptide spectral matches with poor quality MS3 spectra were excluded from quantitation (summed signal-to-noise across 16 channels <100 and precursor isolation specificity <0.5), and resulting data was filtered to only include proteins that had a minimum of 2 unique peptides identified. Reporter ion intensities were normalized and scaled using

in-house scripts in the R framework [37]. Statistical analysis was carried out using the limma package within the R framework [38].

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Fig. 1.

(A) PI-4,5-P₂ is generated by phosphorylation of PI-4-P by PI4P5K and PI5P4K-catalyzed phosphorylation of PI-5-P. (B) Chemical structure of pan-PIP4K inhibitor THZ-P1-2 and noncovalent compound Ac-THZ-P1-2. (C) Illustration of potential exit vector from co-crystal structure of THZ-P1-2 and PIP4K2A (PDB-ID: 6OSP).

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Fig. 2.

(A) Immunoblot analysis of PI5P4K γ in Molt4 cells treated with CRBN-based compounds for 6 h. (B) Immunoblot analysis of PI5P4K γ in Molt4 cells treated with VHL-based compounds for 6 h. Quantitation on the right. Quantified data represents mean \pm SEM from two independent biological replicates. * p < 0.05; ** p < 0.01; *** p < 0.005 compared with the DMSO -treated control in a *t*-test.

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Fig. 3.

(A) Chemical structures of compounds **11** and **17**. (B) Immunoblot analysis of PI5P4K γ in Molt4 cells treated with indicated concentrations of selected compounds **11** and **17**. Data in the bar graphs are the means \pm SEM (n = 3). * p < 0.05; ** p < 0.01; *** p < 0.005 **** p < 0.0001 compared with the DMSO-treated control in a *t*-test. (C) Immunoblot analysis of PI5P4K γ in Molt4 treated with 1 μ M of compounds **11** and **17** at the indicated time points.

Fig. 4.

(A) Chemical structure of **11-Neg**. (B) Immunoblot analysis of PI5P4K γ in Molt4 cells treated with **11** or **11-Neg** for 6 h. (C) Immunoblot analysis of PI5P4K γ in Molt4 cells pretreated for 2 h with Ac-THZ-P1–2, VHL ligand, bortezomib or MLN4924, and then treated with **17** for 6 h.

Fig. 5.

(A) Immunoblot analysis of PI5P4Ks in Molt4 cells treated with compounds 11, 12, 13, 14, 17 for 6 h. (B) Quantitative proteomics of compound 17 (JWZ-1–80) showing relative abundance of proteins in Molt4 cells treated for 5 h at 1 μ M.

Fig. 6.

(A) Immunoblot analysis of PI5P4K γ in HEK293 cells treated with compound **17** for 24 h. (B) Immunoblot analysis of PI5P4K γ in Jurkat cells treated with compound **17** for 24 h. (C) Immunoblot analysis of PI5P4K γ in K562 cells treated with compound **17** for 24 h. (D) Immunoblot analysis of PI5P4K γ in MCF7 cells treated with compound **17** for 24 h.

Scheme 1.

Synthesis of Compounds 1-9.

Reagents and conditions: (a) Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂, K₂CO₃, MeCN, 100 °C; (b) mphenylenediamine, DIPEA, NMP, 150 °C, 4 h; (c) 4-((tert-butoxycarbonyl)amino)benzoic acid, HATU, DIPEA, DMF, rt; (d) TFA/DCM, rt (e) 2 M NaOH, Dioxane, 80 °C; (f) HATU, DIPEA, ligand, DMF, rt.

Scheme 2.

Synthesis of Compounds 10–20. Reagents and conditions: (a) HATU, DIPEA, ligand, DMF, rt; (b) methyl 4-(chlorocarbonyl)benzoate, Et₃N, DCM 0 °C; (c) 2 M NaOH, Dioxane, 80 °C; (d) HATU, DIPEA, DMF, rt.

Table 1

Chemical Structures and binding affinity to PI5P4K γ of Compounds

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Table 2

Chemical Structures and binding affinity to PI5P4K γ of Compounds 10–20.

