Multidisciplinary studies with mutated HIV-1 capsid proteins reveal structural mechanisms of lattice stabilization

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1. Supplementary Figures and Legends

Supplementary Figure 1. Cartoon schematic of mature HIV-1 CA and related nomenclature.

Full hexagons represent mature CA hexamers assembled by six CA monomers. Left represents hexamer-hexamer interactions at the 3-fold interface, labeled as CA_hex1, CA_hex2, and CA_hex3 and colored as grey, navy, and purple, respectively. Top right represents a single hexamer (CA_hex1) with three adjacent CA monomers, CA", CA, CA', represented as triangles and colored in cyan, red, and brown, respectively. Bottom right shows a model of the wild-type CA hexamer structure (PDB ID: 4XFX) with colors corresponding to the above cartoon. N-terminal domains $(CA_{NTD}s)$ are shown in light hues, C-terminal domains $(CA_{CTD}s)$ are shown in dark hues.

Supplementary Figure 2. Mutation sites in the wild-type full-length HIV-1 capsid protein (CA WT).

(**a**) Locations of mutation sites P38 (dark blue spheres) and T216 (pink spheres) in CA WT monomer and (**b**) hexamer shown with alternate orthogonal views. (**c**) Locations of mutation sites E45 (orange spheres) and R132 (green spheres) in CA WT monomer and (**d**) hexamer. CANTDs are in light grey, CACTDs in dark grey, N-terminal β-hairpin in light blue.

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Supplementary Figure 3. The effects of mutations on polar and water-mediated contacts around residue 45 and the salt bridge between P1 and D51.

(**a**) Orientation of CA WT hexamer with the side view of one representative monomer (white) and its interaction with the adjacent subunit (grey) outlined in dashed line and enlarged. Locations of mutation sites P38 (blue), T216 (pink), E45 (orange), and R132 (green) are shown as spheres. The effects of mutations on the region around residue 45 and the salt bridge between P1 and D51 (enlarged views of the boxed region, solid line) are shown in (**b-g**). Polar and water-mediated contacts in CA WT (**b**), P38A (**c**), P38A/T216I (d), E45A^a (e), E45A^b (f), and E45A/R132T (g). Black dashed lines indicate atoms within 3.6 Å. Waters are shown as red spheres. Selected side chains are shown explicitly and labeled. Surface representation of respective views are colored according to electrostatic potential from -10 kgT/e (red) to $+10 \text{ kgT/e}$ (blue).

Supplementary Figure 4. Structural changes associated with P38A/T216I mutations.

(**a**) A CA hexamer is shown in surface view representation with three neighboring intrahexamer CA monomers colored in orange (subunit ΄), yellow (subunit without prime symbol), and green (subunit ''); the other three are shown in gray. Select mutation sites in neighboring subunits are marked with red (A38) and white (I216΄΄) stars. Regions likely affected by the P38A mutation are shown in light blue surface; residues likely affected by the T216I΄΄ mutation are shown in magenta surface. The regions in red, black, and blue boxes are depicted in (**b**), (**c**), and (**d**), respectively. (**b-d**) Superposition of WT (cartoon ribbons of three neighboring subunits colored in green, yellow, and orange) and P38A/T216I (in pink) CA. Mutations alter CANTD-CANTD (**b, c**) and CANTD-CACTD interfaces (**d**). Specific residues affected by P38A and T216I mutations (in red) are shown as sticks. Dashed lines are shown between residues that are within 4 Å . For clarity, residues G220΄΄, A204΄΄ are not shown. Box colors in (**b-d**) correspond to the boxed regions in panel (**a**). Dashed box in (**b**) is an insert of a region within the other box in (**b**).

Supplementary Figure 5. E45A can cause rearrangements at inter-hexamer interfaces, while addition of the R132T mutation reverses these changes in E45A/R132T.

(a) Two neighboring hexamers of $E45A^a$ CA are shown in surface view. Least squares superposition (alignment based on residues $17-143$) of E45A^a (dark brown and dark purple $CA_{CTD}s$) with WT (light orange and light pink $CA_{CTD}s$) and E45A/R132T (orange and magenta CACTDs) structures. (**b**) Enlarged view of the boxed region in (**a**) shows changes in the position of helices α 9, 3₁₀, α 10, and α 11 in both hexamers (marked as hex1 and hex2). The blue arrow indicates the distance between α 9 hex1 and α 9 hex2 in E45A^a, while the black arrow indicates the distance between α 9 hex1 and α 9 hex2 in WT and E45A/R132T. Addition of the R132T mutation reverses the effect of the E45A mutation at these interfaces.

Supplementary Figure 6. Crystal structures of native WTCPSF6 and WTNup153. (a) CPSF6 and Nup153 peptides bind at the PF74 binding pocket, which is between the CANTD of one CA monomer (no prime) and the CACTD of a neighboring CA monomer within a hexamer (denoted by prime symbols). Enlarged views show the details of how CPSF6 (blue sticks) and Nup153 (green sticks) bind at the PF74 binding pocket. Fo-Fc maps at σ =2.5 are shown in green. Peptide labels are italicized and colored in red. (**b**) Comparison of native WT_{CPSF6} (blue) *vs.* cross-linked CA in complex with CPSF6 (CA_{XL-CPSF6}, yellow, left panel) and native WT_{Nup153} (green) *vs.* cross-linked CA in complex with Nup153 (CAXL-Nup153, orange, right panel) demonstrates significant changes at the 2-fold interhexamer interface. (c) Comparison of native WT_{CPSF6} (blue) *vs.* cross-linked CA in

complex with CPSF6 (CAXL-CPSF6, yellow, left panel) and WTNup153 (green) *vs.* cross-linked CA in complex with Nup153 (CAXL-Nup153, orange, right panel) demonstrates significant changes at the 3-fold inter-hexamer interface. (**d**) Comparison of native WT CA (WT_{CA}, gray) *vs.* native WT_{CPSF6} (blue, left panel) and native WT_{CA} (gray) *vs.* native WT_{Nup153} (green, right panel) reveal subtle changes at the 2-fold inter-hexamer interface. (**E**) Comparison of native WT_{CA} (gray) *vs.* native WT_{CPSF6} (blue, left panel) and native WT_{CA} (gray) *vs.* native WT_{Nup153} (green, right panel) reveal subtle changes at the 3-fold interhexamer interface.

Supplementary Figure 7. Conformational changes caused by E45A affect access to the PF74/CPSF6/Nup153 binding pocket. (**a**) Least squares superposition (alignment based on residues $17-145$) of E45A^a (green CA_{NTD}s, purple CA_{CTD}s) with WT CA (CA), E45A/E132T CA, WT CA in complex with a CPSF6 peptide (WTCPSF6), WT CA in complex with a Nup153 peptide (WT_{Nup153}), WT CA in complex with PF74 (WT_{PF74}), (gray CANTDs, light pink CACTDs). Two intra-hexamer CA monomers are shown (neighboring subunit is marked by a prime symbol). (**b**) Enlarged view of the boxed region in (**a**) showing the entrance to the PF74/CPSF6/Nup153 binding pocket. The change in position of helix α 9 in the neighboring subunit (marked with a prime symbol) between E45A^a (dark purple $C A_{\text{CTD}}$) and the other structures (light pink $C A_{\text{CTD}}$ s) is noted with a black arrow. The red explosion graphic denotes regions of steric clash between the CPSF6 peptide and PF74 with $α9'$ of E45A a CA.</sup>

Supplementary Figure 8. Effects of capsid mutations on assembly.

(**a-b**) Cryo-EM analysis of CA mutant assemblies. Projection images were recorded at low (**a**) and high (**b**) magnifications from the corresponding samples as indicated. Scale bars, 1 µm in (**a**), and 100 nm in (**b**), respectively. (**c**) Pelleting assay for CA mutant assemblies. Four CA mutants and CA WT are labeled. 'S' and 'P' stand for the supernatant and pellet from each sample. Protein products are visualized by Coomassie Blue staining. Molecular weight markers are labeled on the right. Experiments were performed as three biological replicates, with representative experiments shown above. An image of the uncropped gel in (**c**) is shown in the Source Data file and below on page 42.

Supplementary Figure 9. Effects of capsid mutations on HIV-1 core stability.

An *in vitro* HIV-1 core stability assay was performed using INsfGFP (green) and CypA-DsRed (red) labeled pseudoviruses immobilized on poly-L-lysine coated coverslips and permeabilized by brief exposure to saponin (see Methods). (**a, c**) Images showing CypA-DsRed puncta immediately before (top panel) and 25 min or 5 min after (bottom panel) virus membrane permeabilization with saponin (SAP). (**b, d**) The kinetics of CypA-DsRed loss from INsfGFP-labeled HIV-1 cores over time at room temperature. Arrows in (**b**) and (d) mark the time of CsA $(5 \mu M)$ addition at 25 min post-permeabilization to displace CypA-DsRed from remaining HIV-1 cores. Plots are means and standard errors from 4 independent experiments; for each experiment, 4 fields of view were analyzed. Scale bar in (**a, c**) is 2 µm.

Supplementary Figure 10. *In silico* **thermal stability assay of WT and mutant CA lattices.**

Snapshots of both NTDs and CTDs for WT, E45Aa, E45Ab, and E45A/R132T lattices across every simulated temperature in the *in silico* thermal stability assay.

Supplementary Figure 11. Hexamer models of CA WT and mutant proteins.

 $(a-f)$ Top views and $(g-l)$ side views of CA WT, P38A, P38A/T216I, E45A^a, E45A^b, and E45A/R132T hexamers, respectively. The CANTDS are in light brown and CA $_{\text{CTDS}}$ in blue.

Supplementary Figure 12. Exterior and interior regions of CA.

Sodium and chloride ions are represented by yellow and cyan dots, respectively. The CANTDS are in light brown and CACTDS in blue.

Supplementary Figure 13. Ions and water transfer rates of CA hexamers.

(**a**) Chloride ion transfer rates of hexamers. (**b**) Sodium ion transfer rates of hexamers. (**c**) Water transfer rates of hexamers. For all panels and for each construct denoted on the xaxis, rates were computed from intervals of 1,000 frames, yielding n=12 inward and outward rate measurements per simulation, over which means and standard errors were computed.

Supplementary Figure 14. C-alpha RMSF of CA WT and mutants.

(a) RMSF of CA WT, E45A^a, E45A^b, and E45A/R132T mutants. (b) RMSF of CA WT, P38A, and P38A/T216I mutants. Short dash lines represent ± standard deviation. The lines below represent the sequence positions of key secondary structure elements (helices, loops) in CA WT. Helices in CA_{NTD}: helix α 1 (residues 17 to 30), helix α 2 (36 to 43), helix α 3 (49 to 57), helix α 4 (63 to 83), helix α 5 (101 to 104), helix α 6 (111 to 119) and helix α 7 (126 to 145), are in gray; helices in CA_{CTD}: helix α 8 (161 to 173), helix α 9 (179 to 192), helix α10 (196 to 205) and helix α11 (211 to 217), are in orange; β-hairpin (1 to 13) is in black, the purple line stands for CypA-binding loop (residues 85 to 93) and the 3_{10} helix (150 to 152) is in orange. (**c**) Ca RMSD of CA hexamers.

Supplementary Figure 15. Surface electrostatic potential of CA WT, P38A, and P38A/T216I.

Surface representation of CA WT (**a**), P38A (**b**), and P38A/T216I (**c**) hexamers with alternate orthogonal views colored according to electrostatic potential from -10 kgT/e (red) to $+10 \text{ kgT/e}$ (blue). The position of P38 or P38A is shown by the yellow arrow.

Supplementary Figure 16. Surface electrostatic potential of CA WT, E45A, and E45A/R132T.

Surface representation of CA WT (a), $E45A^a$ (b), $E45A^b$ (c), and $E45A/R132T$ (d) hexamers with alternate orthogonal views colored according to electrostatic potential from -10 k_BT/e (red) to +10 k_BT/e (blue). The position of E45 or E45A is shown by the yellow arrow.

Supplementary Figure 17. Electrostatic properties of hexamers.

 $(a-f)$ top views and $(g-I)$ bottom views of CA WT, P38A, P38A/T216I, E45A a , E45A b , and E45A/R132T hexamers, respectively. The electrostatic potential was colored from red (−10 k_BT/e) to blue (+10 k_BT/e).

Supplementary Figure 18. Van der Waals inter-hexameric interaction energies.

Distributions of Van der Waals interaction energies of inter-hexamer interactions. The analysis considered the interaction energies of sets of atoms, situated at inter-hexameric interfaces and identified via distance cutoff, over which the statistics shown above were computed. For wild type, n=6,151 atoms; for P38A, n=4,074 atoms; for P38AT16I, n=4,585 atoms; for E45A^a, n=3,362 atoms; for E45A^b, n=4,287 atoms; for E45AR132T, n=3,597 atoms.

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Supplementary Figure 19. Crystal structures of CA mutants and WT / CPSF6 or Nup153 peptides. X-ray crystal structures of WT CA / CPSF6 peptide (**a**), WT CA / Nup153 peptide (**b**), and P38A (**c**), P38A/T216I (**d**), E45A^a (**e**), E45A^b (**f**), E45A/R132T (**g**) CAs. Left panel shows the asymmetric unit (asu), a CA monomer, which assembles into the hexameric biological assembly (middle two panels, side and top views). Structures in the first three panels are represented in surface view. The right panel shows electron density (2Fo-Fc maps shown in blue mesh contoured at σ =1.0) around the bound peptides in (**a-b**) or mutations of interest in (**c-g**). Colors as noted in figure; light gray surface represents symmetry-related N-terminal domains (CA_{NTD}) in the biological assembly, while dark gray surface represents the symmetry-related C-terminal domains (CA_{CTD}) in the biological assembly. Some mutations are obstructed from view in the specific orientations above.

2. Supplementary Tables

Supplementary Table 1. Available biological data for CA WT and mutants.

 $a \text{ ND}$ – no data

* – these studies show contradictory results

** – the infectivity of P38A and E45A mutant viruses are significantly impaired

	WTCPSF6	WT _{Nup153}	P38A	P38A/T216I	E45A ^a	E45A ^b	E45A/R132T
Data collection							
X-ray source	APS 23 ID-B	ALS 4.2.2	APS 23 ID-B	APS 23 ID-D	APS 23 ID-D	APS 23 ID-B	APS 23 ID-D
Software	XDS	XDS	XDS	XDS	XDS	XDS	XDS
Space group	P ₆	P ₆	P ₆	P6	P6	P6	P6
Unit cell dimensions							
$a, b, c(\AA)$	92.7 92.7 58.0	92.5 92.5 58.3	92.1 92.1 57.5	92.2 92.2 57.7	87.6 87.6 56.5	92.5 92.5 57.8	92.4 92.4 57.7
α, β, γ (°)	90.0 90.0	90.0 90.0 120.0	90.0 90.0 120.0	90.0 90.0 120.0	90.0 90.0 120.0	90.0 90.0 120.0	90.0 90.0 120.0
	120.0						
ASU content							
Wavelength (A)	1.033203	1.000031	1.0332	1.03319	1.0332	1.0332	1.03319
Resolution range $(\AA)^a$	$47.0 - 2.5$	$36.2 - 2.4$	$46.6 - 2.4$	$46.8 - 2.6$	$37.9 - 2.5$	$46.8 - 2.2$	$46.8 - 2.0$
	$(2.6 - 2.5)$	$(2.5-2.4)$	$(2.5-2.4)$	$(2.7-2.6)$	$(2.6 - 2.5)$	$(2.3 - 2.2)$	$(2.1 - 2.0)$
R_{merge}	0.063(0.700)	0.065(0.689)	0.065 (>1)	0.071(0.804)	0.144(0.807)	0.084 (>1)	0.054(0.992)
R_{meas}	0.069(0.774)	0.068(0.723)	0.068 (>1)	0.075(0.850)	0.162(0.916)	0.089(>1)	0.057 (>1)
R_{pim}	0.029(0.326)	0.021(0.220)	0.022(0.344)	0.024(0.273)	0.073(0.428)	0.027(0.417)	0.018(0.395)
$<\!\!I/\sigma\!\!I\!\!>$	18.1(2.7)	24.7(3.3)	19.6(2.1)	15.8(1.7)	9.1(2.0)	17.6(1.9)	23.3(1.9)
$CC_{1/2}$ (%)	99.8 (58.3)	99.9 (90.1)	99.8 (71.6)	99.8 (79.1)	99.2 (64.3)	99.9 (62.8)	100(58.9)
Completeness (%)	99.9 (100)	97.2 (100)	99.5 (96.7)	99.8 (98.4)	99.3 (95.9)	99.9 (99.2)	99.9 (99.3)
Redundancy	5.6(5.5)	10.6(10.8)	10.1(9.6)	9.8(9.3)	4.8(4.4)	11.3(10.7)	9.8(7.0)
Mosaicity	0.13	0.17	0.14	0.10	0.23	0.13	0.07
Refinement							
Resolution (\AA)	$47.0 - 2.5$	$36.2 - 2.4$	$46.6 - 2.4$	$46.8 - 2.6$	$34.6 - 2.5$	$46.8 - 2.2$	$46.8 - 2.0$
No. total reflections	55,693	115,488	110,167	86,275	41,802	160,668	186,695
No. unique reflections	9,956	10,941	10,893	8,751	8,626	14,249	19,126
No. test reflections ^b	598	630	631	521	422	692	918
R_{work} / R_{free}	24.2 / 27.3	23.4 / 27.4	22.8 / 25.6	20.0 / 24.1	20.2 / 25.0	20.3 / 22.3	19.7 / 21.8
No. atoms	1,835	1,806	1,748	1,752	1,801	1,844	1,868
Protein	1,794	1,742	1,702	1,706	1,724	1,732	1,708
Ligand/Ion	10	9	13	12	15	14	15
Water	31	55	33	34	62	98	145
Wilson B-factor (\AA^2)	47.2	47.5	67.4	77.5	49.6	47.2	40.4
Average B-factors (\AA^2)	75.2	71.4	87.6	99.9	71.0	63.4	58.1
Protein	75.3	71.7	87.7	100.2	72.2	63.2	58.2

Supplementary Table 2. Summary of X-ray data collection and refinement statistics.

^a Values in parentheses are for highest-resolution shell

b Random selection

c Values obtained from MOLPROBITY

	Intra-hexamer interfaces	Inter-hexamer interfaces											
	CANTD-CANTD				CACTD-CACTD			$C_{\text{ACTD}}-C_{\text{ACTD}}$			CANTD-CANTD		
	$C ANTD-C ACTD$				2-fold			3-fold			3-fold		
Structure	$I\!A$	$\varDelta G^2$	BE^3	IA	$\varDelta G$	BЕ	IA	$\varDelta G$	ВE	1A	$\varDelta G$	ВE	
WTCPSF6	1,127.2	-13.6	-17.0	421.1	-6.9	-7.7	22.7	-0.4	-0.4	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	
WT _{Nup153}	1.154.2	-11.2	-16.4	391.4	-7.6	-7.6	29.3	-0.7	-0.7	$\overline{}$	-		
P38A	1.143.8	-13.5	-17.8	442.2	-7.1	-7.1	41.7	-0.8	-0.8	$\overline{}$	\sim		
P38A/T216I	1,201.4	-13.3	-18.5	467.8	-7.1	-8.0	97.7	-2.1	-2.1				
E45A ^a	1157.9	-12.4	-16.3	726.2	-8.5	-12.7	236.4	-4.1	-4.1	23.9	0.6	0.6	
E45A ^b	1,221.6	-14.4	-18.6	409.1	-7.1	-8.0	32.4	-0.6	-0.6	$\overline{}$	-		
E45A/R132T	,069.8	-13.8	-17.3	421.6	-7.4	-8.2	21.9	-0.4	-0.4				
WTCA	1,118.8	-13.0	-15.6	453.2	-5.8	-6.7	46.3	-1.0	-1.0				

Supplementary Table 3. Interface area, solvation energy gain, and binding energy calculated for various CA structures.

 $¹ I A$, $A²$ – Interface Area defined as the half sum of the buried surface area</sup>

² *ΔG*, *kcal/mol* – Solvation Energy gain

³ *BE*, *kcal/mol* – Binding Energy

Interaction	WTCA	WTCPSF6	WT_{Nup153}	P38A	P38A/T216I	$E45A^a$	E45A ^b	E45A/R132T
45/H12	$4.6\,\text{\AA}$	3.9 _A	3.1 Å	$3.6\,\mathrm{\AA}$	4.8 Å	5.1 Å	6.3 Å	$6.4\,\mathrm{\AA}$
45/H ₂ O/H12	$3.2 / 3.4$ Å	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
45 / A14	3.7 Å	3.2 Å	$3.8\,\mathrm{\AA}$	3.4 Å	$3.5\,\mathrm{\AA}$	3.7 _A	3.3 Å	$3.3\,\mathrm{\AA}$
45/115	4.2 Å	$6.0\,\mathrm{\AA}$	3.9 _A	$3.7\,\mathrm{\AA}$	$3.8\,\text{\AA}$	$5.7\,\mathrm{\AA}$	5.5 Å	5.4 Å
45 / Q50	$3.5\,\mathrm{\AA}$	4.4 \AA	3.9 _A	$3.0\,\mathrm{\AA}$	$3.4\,\mathrm{\AA}$	7.2 Å	6.3 Å	6.2 Å
45 / D51	3.4 Å	$6.0\,\mathrm{\AA}$	4.1 Å	$3.8\,\mathrm{\AA}$	3.4 Å	7.3 Å	6.9 Å	6.9 Å
45 / H ₂ O / D51	N/A	N/A	N/A	$2.5/2.9$ Å	N/A	$5.3/3.3 \text{ Å}$	$4.1 / 3.1 \text{ Å}$	$3.6 / 3.6$ Å
$45/$ T54	4.3 \AA	7.1 Å	$6.5\,\mathrm{\AA}$	$6.0\,\mathrm{\AA}$	4.0 Å	8.1 Å	7.8 Å	7.8 Å
45 / H ₂ O / T54	$3.9 / 4.0$ Å	N/A	N/A	$2.5/3.6$ Å	N/A	5.3 / 3.4 Å	$5.4/3.9$ Å	$5.4/3.9$ Å
45 / L111	$5.0\,\mathrm{\AA}$	3.3 Å	4.5 Å	3.9 _A	$5.5\,\mathrm{\AA}$	$7.6\,\mathrm{\AA}$	7.1 Å	7.2 Å
$G46 / H_2O / H12$	$3.7/3.4 \text{ Å}$	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	$4.9/3.3 \text{ Å}$	$3.9/3.2$ Å	$3.4 / 3.8$ Å

Supplementary Table 4. Analysis of distances around residue 45.

Supplementary Table 5. Intra- (CANTD-CANTD and CANTD-CACTD) hexamer interactions.

Residues participating in hydrogen bonding networks are shown in pink. Interacting residues present in all compared structures are highlighted in blue. All interactions are among domains from neighboring CA subunits.

*All the residues of β-hairpin are resolved only in the E45A^a and E45A^b structures.

Supplementary Table 6. Inter- (2-fold and 3-fold CACTD-CACTD) hexamer interactions.

Residues participating in hydrogen bonding networks are shown in pink. Interacting residues present in all compared structures are highlighted in blue. All interactions are among domains from neighboring CA subunits.

3. Uncropped gel from Supplementary Figure 8c

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mutant 1 mutant 2 mutant 3 mutant 4 CA WT S P S P P S P S S P kDa
 240 165 125 93 72 57 42 31 24 18 15

20 ul of assembly reaction, 21000xg 30min, 4C
pellet + 1x loading buffer A (40 ul dye + 5 ul 1M DTT + 120ul 20mM Tris pH8)
2 ul sup + 8ul 1x loading dye B (25 ul dye + 55 ul 20mM Tris pH 8 + 5 ul 1M DTT) 2 ul of resuspended pel + 8 ul of 1x loading dye load 5ul into 15 well gradient gel

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