Supplementary Information

Substrate-Selective Inhibitors that Reprogram the Activity of Insulin-Degrading Enzyme

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Matrix metalloproteinase-2 (MMP2)

^a Not included in this summary: 1) active-site-targeted COX2 inhibitors that act through a homodimer allosteric mechanism effecting changes on the inhibitor K_i and substrate affinity of the active site of the neighboring subunit¹³; 2) gamma-secretase inhibitors that preferentially inhibit presenilin isoform PS1 over isoform PS2, which comprise the two possible catalytic cores of gamma-secretase complexes¹⁴; and 3) APP cleavage inhibitors that bind the substrate rather than the BACE enzyme^{15,16}.

Supplementary Table 2. Screening strategy for identifying IDE exo-site ligands.

Supplementary Table 3.

IDE inhibition EC_{50} and percent inhibition maximum (I_{MAX}) for azetidine analogs shown in Fig. 2A–C determined using the fluorogenic decapeptide reporter assay (Mca-RPPGFSAFK(Dnp)-OH)^{18,19}. See also the counter-screen data for hit compounds identified in the Broad Institute library screens in PubMed BioAssay database 1259348. Purity and high-resolution mass spectrometry formula confirmation was performed by Harvard University Bauer Core and the Broad Institute Compound Management.

Supplementary Table 4.

Approximate calculation of the competitive inhibitor dissociation constant $Ki^{comp} = IC_{50} / ([S]/K_M + 1)$ using the insulin assay potency (EC_{50}^{ins}) for the inhibitors that satisfy the assumption of a competitive mode of inhibition by displaying complete blockage of IDE-mediated insulin degradation. A K_M value of 20 nM was used for the calculation; however, reports of insulin K_M for IDE vary from 10 to 65 nM²⁰⁻²².

Supplementary Table 5.

Summary of reagents and buffer conditions used in metalloprotease cleavage activity assays using fluorogenic peptide substrates in the presence of inhibitors.

* pro-MMP1 was activated activated by incubation for 2 h at 37 ºC in the presence of 1 mM final 4 aminophenylmercuric acetate (AMPA, 100 mM stock in DMSO).

Supplementary Table 6.

Specificity profiling performed by EuroFins (Panlabs) for substrate-selective IDE inhibitor **63** (1 and 10 µM final concentration) using the approximately equipotent zinc-chelating IDE inhibitor Ii1 (**2**) (1 µM) for $comparison^{18,27}$.

* For additional comparisons with the specificity profile in Fig. 2I, see also reference 18 that includes specificity data for **Ii1** inhibition of neurolysin (NLN), thimet oligopeptidase (THOP), neprilysin (NEP), matrix metalloprotease-1 (MMP1), and angiotensin-converting enzyme (ACE) under similar conditions.

Supplementary Table 7.

Data collected was obtained from one crystal. Statistics for the highest resolution shell are shown in parentheses. Coordinates for the IDE-•**37**, IDE•**63,** and IDE•**63**•glucagon co-crystal structures are deposited in the Protein Data Bank under the accession codes 6BYZ, 6EDS, and 6MQ3, respectively.

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Supplementary Table 8.

Site-directed mutagenesis primers.

Supplementary Table 9.

Data collected was obtained from one crystal of synthetic intermediate **66**.

Pilot screen using the Broad Institute "DOS Informer Set" – 11,520 wells (9,598 compounds) **F**

Supplementary Fig. 1 (A) **Flow chart of high-throughput screen and secondary assays used in this study¹⁸.** (**B**) Complementary assay supporting the specificity of FL-6b (**4**) for the exo site of IDE was performed by

titrating the FL-6b (**4**) fluorescence anisotropy signal with increasing concentrations of wild-type N-His6- IDE₄₂₋₁₀₁₉ (\blacksquare) or the mutant IDE variants Ala479 \rightarrow Leu (\blacksquare) and Gly362 \rightarrow Gln (\blacksquare), which occlude the exo site¹⁸. The points represent averages of three technical replicates, and the dashed line indicates $0.5 \mu M$ protein, which was the concentration selected for the high-throughput screen. (**C–D**) Structures of the inactive bisepimer of 6bK used as a negative control (**bisepi-1**, $IC_{50} > 200 \mu M$ ¹⁸ and the zinc-chelating tetrapeptide Ii1 (2) with the hydroxamic acid group that binds the catalytic zinc of IDE shown in red²⁷. (**E**) Z'-score calculated for 16 technical replicates per condition, with error bars set to 3xSD to convey the signal-to-noise ratio. The anisotropy measurement for IDE-bound FL-6b (**4**) (high anisotropy indicated with the upper dashed line) is observed to diminish in the presence of the exo-site inhibitor 6bK (**1**) (1 µM, low anisotropy indicated with the lower dashed line), but not by addition of the low affinity/inactive bisepi-6bK (**bisepi-1**, 1 µM)18. The potent IDE inhibitor Ii1 (**2**) (1 µM), which binds the catalytic site by chelating zinc, does not displace FL-6b (**4**) and does not cause an decrease in fluorescence anisotropy (Z'-factor = 0.7). Additionally, the Z'-factor = 0.7 was confirmed using the mean and standard deviations of the DMSO controls and 6bK (**1**) positive controls in a full 384-well plate $(n = 192 \text{ each})^{31}$. (**F**) Pilot high-throughput screen using the "DOS Informer Set", a collection of 25 selected 384-well plates representative of small-molecule libraries at the Broad Institute (PubMed BioAssay AID: 1259349). The pilot screen used 11,520 wells carrying N-His₆-IDE₄₂₋₁₀₁₉ (0.5 μ M) and fluorescent probe FL-6b (**4**) (30 nM), followed by pinning compound plates and 6bK (**1**) positive control plates ([○]"DOS Informer Set" compounds, ● 1,561 DMSO negative controls, and ● 360 6bK (1) positive control wells). The screen was performed in duplicate (X/Y values), and the anisotropy signal was used to calculate normalized Z-scores based on the negative controls of each plate. The top 20 compounds highlighted $\left(\bullet \right)$ displayed low anisotropy signal for FL-6b (**4**) (Z-score < -12 in replicate plates) compared to negative controls and inactive compounds (\bullet) . The structures and counter-screen EC₅₀ values for the cherry-picked compounds are deposited in PubChem BioAssay database #1259348. (**G**) Rank-ordered plot of Z-score values (averages of the two technical replicates) for the pilot screen, highlighting in dark green the same compounds as in panel F (negative and positive controls are not included in this plot).

Supplementary Fig. 2 | (**A**) Rank-ordered plot of Z-score values (averages of the two technical replicates) for the focused screen of azetidine-core library members, highlighting in dark green the same compounds as in

Fig. 1C (negative and positive controls are not included in this plot). (**B**) Correlation between fluorescence anisotropy of FL-6b $(\overline{4})$ displacement Z-scores and EC₅₀ values (capped at 20 μ M) for all library compounds tested in this study $(n = 81)$. The points represent averages of two technical replicates, and the trend-line reflects the linear regression fit ($\mathbf{R}^2 = 0.355$). (**C–E**) We selected the most promising substrate-selective hits to determine the IDE-mediated degradation assays with other IDE substrates in the presence of 6bK (**1**), BRD8283 (5), and BRD4171 (6), respectively. $\mathbf{A}\beta40$ (\blacksquare) was assayed using the same HTRF system used for insulin and glucagon. Since paired antibody assays were not available for amylin, we used a surrogate fluorogenic peptide "Amylin-fp" (n) (KCNTATCAT**X**RLANFLVHSSNN**Z**GAILSSTNVGSNTY-NH2, in which $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{L}$ ys-*γ*N-anthranilamide and $\mathbf{Z} = m$ -nitrotyrosine) based on the human amylin sequence (KCNTATCAT**Q**RLANFLVHSSNN**F**GAILSSTNVG SNTY-NH2) and at a later stage of the study we optimized an ELISA-based assay for IDE-mediated degradation of amylin $(\blacksquare$, unmodified, full length). The amylin substrate assays produce similar EC₅₀ results with 6bK (**C**). (**F–G**) Confirmation of the distal binding site for the substrate-selective hits BRD8283 (**5**) and BRD4171 (**6**, BRD-K20484171-001-01-8) by comparing inhibition potencies against wild-type IDE \bullet) and mutant His₆-IDE variants expressed in *E. coli*, previously shown to affect 6bK $(1)^{18}$: A479L (n), I374Q (n), G362Q (n), V360Q (n) and Y314F (n). See Figure 5E for residue positions. Points represent averages of two technical replicates. (**H**) Metalloprotease specificity profile for the substrate-selective hit BRD4171 (**6**, BRD-K20484171-001-01-8) using thimet oligopeptidase $(\blacksquare, THOP)$, neurolysin (\blacksquare, NLN) , neprilysin (\blacksquare, NEP) , matrix metalloprotease 1 (\blacksquare , MMP1), and angiotensin converting-enzyme (\blacksquare , ACE). (**I**) IDE mediated-degradation of insulin and glucagon in the presence of hit BRD2878 (**7**). (**J**) The same metalloprotease specificity panel as above for the *ortho*-methyl locked-biaryl analog of BRD8283, compound **30** (Supplementary Figure 2A,D). The dotted lines in panels H and J show the percentage inhibition maximum (I_{MAX}) and the relative EC_{50} (or apparent IC_{50}^{app}) determined from the kinetic mode proteolysis assay using the fluorogenic decapeptide substrate Mca-RPPGFSAFK(Dnp)-OH. **(K**–**M**) We assayed IDE-mediated degradation of amylin (\blacksquare) and A β 40 (\blacksquare) for compounds **37** (L) and **63** (M) , shown overlaid with the respective insulin (\blacksquare) and glucagon (\blacksquare) profiles as in Fig. 3B–C, and for compound **30** (K) shown overlaid with AB40 (\blacksquare). Values and error bars reflect mean \pm SEM of three technical replicates (**C–E**, **K**– **M**) or two technical replicates in the assays using IDE variants and the additional metalloprotease proteins (**F**–**J**).

Supplementary Fig. 3 | Structural basis for substrate selective small molecule inhibition of IDE by compounds **37** and **63**. (**A–B**) X-ray co-crystal structure of **37** and **63** bound to IDE (PDB ID 6BYZ, 2.96 Å

resolution, and PDB ID 6MQ3, 3.57 Å resolution, respectively, see Supplementary Table 7). (**C–J**) Exo-site view of IDE**•37** (left panels, **C–F**) and IDE**•**6b (**3**) (right panels, **G–J**) overlaid with known substrate•IDE co-crystal structures, top to bottom: glucagon (red surface; from the IDE•**63**•glucagon structure PDB ID 6EDS), insulin (green surface; PDB ID 2WBY), amylin (PDB ID 2G48; cyan surface), and amyloid-b(1-40) (PDB ID 2G47; purple surface)³². Dashed lines represent unresolved residues for each peptide substrate, and all the superimposed models are labeled in square brackets. These structural models are consistent with the observed non-substrate-selective competitive inhibition for all IDE substrates by the macrocyclic IDE inhibitors 6b (**3**) and the analog 6bK (**1**) (Figure 1E). (**K**–**L**) The electron density map for the C-terminal residues of glucagon (mesh contoured at 1σ) permit the modeling of two alternative poses for the catalytic groove interactions of the IDE•**63**•glucagon ternary complex, which are consistent with the prior IDE•glucagon structure (PDB ID 2G49, binding pose 1) or the primary cleavage site observations (Supplementary Figure 6, cleavage-competent pose 2), respectively. (**K**) This glucagon binding pose is obtained using the reported IDE•glucagon structure as a guide (PDB ID 2G49), in which glucagon residues 22–27 were modeled in the catalytic site (FVQWLM). (**L**) The cleavage-competent pose is obtained by modeling glucagon residues 14-19 (LDSRRA) into the catalytic site, which places Arg17 and Arg18 positioned next to the zinc atom (modeled based on PDB structure 4LTE). (**M**) Linear representation of the glucagon binding pose 1 and cleavage-competent pose 2, where the grey underlined text corresponds to unresolved residues that were not modeled into the electron density map, and the red/yellow color corresponds to the glucagon residues modeled in panels K and L, respectively. (**N**) Co-crystallized polypeptide, modeled as (Ala) ₃ within the cavity of the IDE**•37** structure interacting with beta-sheet β 12 of IDE's exo site. The mesh represents the composite omit electron density map of ligand 37 contoured at 1σ . The exo-site residues are highlighted with colors that match Fig. 1I. The co-crystals Glu111Gln-IDE•**63**•glucagon and Glu111Gln-IDE•**37** were zinc-free, as observed in previous IDE co-crystal structures PDB IDs 2G47, 2G48, 2G49 and 2G56; therefore, we used our previously solved IDE•6b (**3**) structure (PDB ID 4LTE) to model the zinc ion (green sphere) in the catalytic site as shown in the panels above. The catalytic site residues His108, His112, and Glu189 were found in the expected poses for coordinating a zinc ion in the IDE•**63**•glucagon and IDE•**37** structures. The double-arrow in panels M and N indicates that the nearest atom of ligands **63** and **37** is located ≥16.2 Å from the nearest catalytic residue and ≈17.8 Å from the modeled zinc ion.

Supplementary Fig. 4 | Substrate selective inhibition of IDE by compounds **37** and **63** does not induce significant conformational changes or allosteric effects on the catalytic site. (**A**–**B**) Distance difference

matrix showing changes in domain 1 $Ca:Ca$ distances between apo-IDE (PDB ID 2JG4, gray) and IDE[•]37 residues $(A, blue)$ and IDE $\cdot 63$ residues $(B, cyan)$. (C) The 2FoFc map (contoured at 1σ) from an early IDE•**63**•glucagon structure refinement before glucagon was modeled into IDE revealed prominent electron density in the IDE cavity that we predicted corresponded to glucagon. (**D**) The final model of glucagon in our refined structure (PDB ID 6EDS, see also Supplementary Fig. 3K). A previously solved co-crystal structure of IDE•glucagon (PDB ID 2G49) was used to guide building this structural model (Supplementary Fig. 3L shows a view of a cleavage-competent pose of the C-terminal region of glucagon that can also be feasibly modeled into the electron density within IDE). (**E–G**) All the IDE co-crystal structures containing inhibitors **37** and **63** were generated using a catalytically inactive Glu111Gln cysteine-free IDE mutant (CF-IDE-E111Q), which is a well-established IDE form for structural studies with IDE substrates. (**E–F**) Overlay of catalytically active apo-IDE Y831F with all cysteines intact (gray, PDB ID 2JG4) and either IDE•**63**•glucagon (**E,** purple ribbon, PDB ID 6EDS, RMSD = 0.273 Å) or IDE•**63** (**F,** cyan ribbon, PDB ID $6MO3$, RMSD = 0.319 Å) reveals that both CF-IDE-E1110 co-crystal structures possess an identical closed conformation to apo-IDE. Mutated cysteine residues are labeled and highlighted as yellow spheres, as resolved in the CF-IDE-E111Q co-crystal structures. Zoomed-in view of panel D shows that the cysteine mutations C257V, C414L, and C110L, which are closest in proximity to **63**, stand at considerable distances ranging from ≥18 to 27 Å, and are not predicted to impact **63** binding at the exo site. (**G**) Overlay of catalytic sites between active apo-IDE containing wildtype Glu111 (gray; PDB ID 2JG4), and catalytically inactive IDE•**63** (cyan, PDB ID 6MQ3) and IDE•**63**•glucagon (purple, PDB ID 6EDS) reveal that, as expected, the catalytic residues across all three co-crystal structures bear similar orientation. (**H**) Interactions between CF-E111Q-IDE and the C-terminal residues of glucagon (PDB ID 6EDS), show that the E111Q mutation does not directly contact the glucagon substrate. CF-IDE residues that make electrostatic contacts with glucagon (red sticks) are highlighted as yellow sticks, and protein backbone interacting atoms are illustrated in thin lines.

Supplementary Fig. 5 | Analysis of IDE X-ray co-crystal protein conformations and residue motions compared to apo-IDE. (**A**–**D**) Left: zoom on domain 1 overlays for the distance difference matrix (DDM) plots shown in Fig. 5A–B and Supplementary Fig. 4. Middle: paired overlays of the complete IDE protein

chains. Right: DDM plots summarizing the relative difference in $Ca-C\alpha$ distances between the superimpositions of all resolved residues (43/45–1011) of domains 1–4 of IDE using apo-IDE as the reference (PDB ID 2JG4, gray ribbons). For comparison, the calculations shown in Fig. 5A–B are specific for intra-domain 1 motions among residues 45–300, and do not reflect relative domain–domain motions, as reflected in this figure. (**A–B**) Structural comparison of the full-length of IDE alone *versus* IDE bound by ligand **37** (gray *versus* blue ribbon, **A**) or IDE bound by ligand **63** (gray *versus* cyan ribbon, **B**) both suggest the exo-site inhibitor causes negligible allosteric adjustments on the neighboring domain 1, an observation further supported by a DDM plot featuring minimal differences in $C\alpha$ –C α distances between the two structures. (**C**) Structural comparison of IDE alone *versus* IDE•**63**•glucagon (gray *versus* purple ribbon), together with a virtually featureless DDM plot, suggest that the ternary complex possesses negligible allosteric adjustments on IDE's domain 1 and highlights the complex's conformational similarity to cleavage-competent apo-IDE. (**D**) Reference inhibitory allosteric motions of domain 1 produced by conformational allostery from an antibody fragment (Fab, yellow ribbon) bound on the outer surface of IDE's domain 2 (PDB ID 4IOF, red ribbon, compared to IDE alone in grey ribbon)³³. The reference DDM plot shows residue motions concentrated in the catalytic groove and floor subdomain³³. The overall analysis suggests that substrate-selective exo-site ligands do not induce obvious changes in IDE protein conformation or allosteric motions in IDE domain 1 residues 45–285 (floor subdomain, or catalytic site). These calculations support the notion that exo-site binding inhibitors do not interact with cation-binding residues of IDE by direct or allosteric mechanisms.

Supplementary Fig. 6 | (**A**) Substrate-selective IDE inhibitors do not alter the sites of glucagon cleavage. IDE reactions were prepared with human glucagon (Eli Lilly) in the presence of macrocyclic inhibitor 6bK (**1**) (10 µM), zinc chelator Ii1 (**2**) (200 nM) or substrate-selective inhibitors **37** and **38** (both 10 µM, 10,000x

and 400x the respective EC_{50} concentrations), followed by quenching with 0.5% TFA. The MALDI-TOF instrument was calibrated using five peptide standards: bradykinin $(1-7)$, angiotensin-II, $P_{14}R$, ACTH $(18-39)$ and bovine insulin oxidized B-chain. We observed glucagon starting material as singly- and doubly-charged ions (red labels). The pattern of glucagon cleavage products was unchanged in the presence of saturating conentration of ligand **37** (10 μ M) or ligand **38** (10 μ M) compared to IDE in the absence of any inhibitor. The following ions were assigned to the major and minor IDE cleavage products of glucagon (blue labels), which were consistent with the cleavage products previously observed^{32,34}: *RAODFVOWLMNT calculated $[M+H]^+= 1508.7315$, observed = 1508.85 (average), $\Delta = -78.5$ ppm; *RRAQDFVQWLMNT calculated $[M+H]^+$ = 1664.8326, observed = 1664.95 (average), Δ = -70.5 ppm; and HSQGTFTSDYSKYLDSR* calculated $[M+H]^+$ = 1991.9094, observed 1992.05 (average), Δ = -70.6 ppm. Starting material ions for glucagon: HSQGTFTSDYSKYLDSRRAQDFVQWLMNT calculated $[M+H]$ ⁺ = 3481.6230 and $[M+2H]$ ²⁺ = 1741.3151, found 3481.88 and 1741.66 (averages), Δ = -73.8 and -198 ppm, respectively. (**B**, **C**) Qualitative MALDI-TOF time course of glucagon cleavage reactions in the presence of $37(10 \mu M, 10,000x EC_{50})$ or IDE in the absence of inhibitor (DMSO control) based on the relative ion intensities. The MALDI-TOF spectra are representative results from two similar trials. (**D–E**) Extending the incubation period for up to one hour does not lead to insulin degradation $(\blacksquare, 1.7 \text{ nM})$ using human IDE at 37 °C in the presence of 6bK (1) (5 µM) or the substrate-selective inhibitor **37** (10 µM), whereas only the latter treatment leads to glucagon depletion $(\blacksquare, 1.2 \text{ nM})$. Aliquots of each reaction were quenched at the specified times using Ii1 (1) (200 nM) followed by HTRF dual-antibody assays for each substrate hormone. For comparison, the optimized glucagon degradation assays in Fig. 2B–C used 10-min incubations at room temperature, and insulin incubation were 15 min at 30 ºC, as described in the Online Methods section. Values represent two technical replicates.

Supplementary Data Set 1. (separate file)

Supplementary data deposited in PubMed BioAssay "Supplementary Data Set 1 (PubChem BioAssay data, Maianti et al).xlsx". This Microsoft Excel file has 3 spreadsheets under the following tabs: "IDE pilot screen 1", "IDE azetidine library screen 2", and "IDE proteolysis counter-screen results". All entries have a unique Broad ID, PubChem SID and CID identifiers for each compound, and the SMILES code for the chemical structure. The high-throughput anisotropy screen data has been deposited in PubMed BioAssay AID: 1259349 (n = 17,277 compounds) and the counter-screen IDE inhibition data in PubMed BioAssay AID: 1259348 ($n = 115$ compounds).

Supplementary Data Set 2. (separate file)

Supplementary reports and data provided by EuroFins (Belgium) that is summarized in Supplementary Table 6 "Supplementary Data Set 2 (Protease Specificity Panel Reports from EuroFins, Maianti et al).pdf".

Supplementary Data Set 3. (separate file)

Nuclear Magnetic Resonance spectra (¹H-, ¹³C-, and ¹⁹F-NMR) "Supplementary Data Set 3 (NMR spectra, Maianti et al).pdf".

Supplementary Video. (separate file)

Supplementary animation generated using PyMol (1,000 frames) "Supplementary Video (IDE-63-glucagon ternary complex X-ray structure 6EDS, Maianti et al).mov".

Supplementary Note. (separate file)

Synthetic procedures and Nuclear Magnetic Resonance spectra descriptions "Supplementary Note (Maianti Liu et al).docx". See Supplementary Data Set 3 for NMR spectra.

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