## **Supplementary Material for**

## Comprehensive Characterization of Recombinant Catalytic Subunit of cAMP-Dependent Protein Kinase by Top-Down Mass Spectrometry

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Figure S1. Schematic drawing and SDS-PAGE analysis of affinity purification for PKA C-subunit. a) Schematic of the affinity purification of PKA C-subunit using DynaBead for His-tag purification; b) SDS-PAGE analysis of purified PKA catalytic subunit expressed in *E. coli*.



Figure S2. Total ion chromatogram of recombinant PKA C-subunit using liquid chromatography (LC). The LC condition was run with  $H_2O$  with 0.1% formic acid (FA) as mobile phase A and 50:50 EtOH:ACN with 0.1% FA as mobile phase B (MPB). The gradient ran at 5% MPB for 5 min, followed by 5% to 65% MPB from 5 to 40 min, 65% to 95% MPB from 40-53 min, and back to 5% MPB. Other peaks in the chromatogram are either low mass proteins or small molecule contamination.



Figure S3. Raw spectra of ECD experiment. a) The precursor ion at charge state  $48^+$  was subject to ECD fragmentation experiment, and a large number of fragment ions was yielded. b) Zoomed-in spectra from 625 - 850 m/z showing several *c* ions with phosphorylations intact.

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1 JGpS S H H H H H HpSpS G L V P R GpS H M G N A A A 346
<sup>26</sup> AKKG<sub>P</sub>SEQESVKEFLAKAKEDFLK<sup>1</sup>KW <sup>321</sup>
51 ETPSQNTAQLDQFDRIKTLGTGSFG 296
76 RVMLVKHKESGNHYAMKILDKQKVV 271
101 KLKQIEHTLNEKRIL<sup>1</sup>QAVN<sup>1</sup>FPFLV<sup>1</sup>K 246
126 LEFSFKIDNSNLYMVMEYVAGGEMFS 221
151 HLRRIGRFSEPHARFYAAQIVLTFE 196
176 YLHSLDLIYRDLKPENLLIDQQGYI 171
<sup>201</sup>LQ VLTLD F G F A K R V K G R<sub>p</sub>T W T L C G T P E Y<sup>1</sup>L <sup>146</sup>
226 A PEIILSKGYNKAVDWWALGVLIYE 121
251 MAAGY PIPIFIFIAIDIQIPIIQIYEIKIVSGKV 96
276 R F P S H F S S DIL K D L L R NIL L Q V DIL T K R 71
301 F G N L K N G V N DI I KIN H KW F A T T D W I A I 46
326 Y Q R K V E A P F I P K F K G P G D T S N F D D Y 21
351 EIEIEIIIR VIS INEKCIGKEFTEF
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Figure S4. Fragment ion mapping for CID fragmentation. A series of CID fragment ions was observed at Ser[54-58]Gln, Ser[134-145]Gly, Gly[246-265]Gln, and Tyr[350-357]Arg. *b* ions that contain a large number of phosphorylations were observed at Ser[54-58]Gln, Ser[134-145]Gly, and Gly[246-255]Tyr.

Figure S5. Fragment ion mapping for ECD fragmentation. Most ECD fragment ions were located at both ends of the amino acid sequence.



Figure S6. Representative fragment ions from ECD fragmentation. Four ECD fragment ions with large molecular weight were shown.



Figure S7. Broadband spectra for the dephosphorylation reaction. A drastic peak shift was observed for charge state  $52^+$ ,  $50^+$ , and  $48^+$  due to the removal of multiple phosphorylations.