

# Supporting Information

“The Hepatitis B Virus oncoprotein HBx is *not* an  
ATPase”

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**Table S1.** Primers used for the generation of the MBP-HBx variants

Mutation	Forward primer	Reverse Primer
G136A	CGTTCTGGGTGCTGCCGTCAAAAC	AACACCTTCAGACGAATTTC
K130A	CGTCTGGCAGTGTTCGTT	AATTCCTCGCCCAGTTCC
K140A	GCCGTCATGCACTGGTGT	AGCCACCCAGAACGAACA
C137A	CAGCAGTTCAATGCATTCTC	AGTTTGTGACGCGCGCCAC
H139A	GCTGCCGTGCAAAACTGG	CACCCAGAACGAACACCT
K130M	CGTCTGATGGTGTTCGTT	AATTCCTCGCCCAGTTCCC
V131I	TCGTCTGATGATCTCGTTCTGGTG	ATTCCTCGCCCAGTTCC
Δ27	TAACTCGAGCACCACCAAC	AATTCCTCGCCCAGTTCC

**Table S2.** NSitePred nucleotide binding prediction.

<b>AA</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>ATP binding res.</b>	<b>ATP prob.</b>	<b>ADP binding res.</b>	<b>ADP prob.</b>	<b>AMP binding res.</b>	<b>AMP prob.</b>	<b>GTP binding res.</b>	<b>GTP prob.</b>	<b>GDP binding res.</b>	<b>GDP prob.</b>
M	1	N	0.025	N	0.025	N	0.024	N	0.021	N	0.017
A	2	N	0.026	N	0.022	N	0.024	N	0.025	N	0.016
A	3	N	0.03	N	0.022	N	0.025	N	0.024	N	0.013
R	4	N	0.041	N	0.027	N	0.032	N	0.013	N	0.022
M	5	N	0.025	N	0.029	N	0.026	N	0.016	N	0.021
Y	6	N	0.028	N	0.039	N	0.04	N	0.023	N	0.02
C	7	N	0.024	N	0.031	N	0.029	N	0.015	N	0.022
Q	8	N	0.035	N	0.036	N	0.036	N	0.062	N	0.029
L	9	N	0.032	N	0.023	N	0.035	N	0.025	N	0.023
D	10	N	0.048	N	0.036	N	0.035	N	0.021	N	0.025
P	11	N	0.035	N	0.032	N	0.033	N	0.044	N	0.015
S	12	N	0.038	N	0.042	N	0.032	N	0.028	N	0.017
R	13	N	0.041	N	0.033	N	0.035	N	0.047	N	0.03
D	14	N	0.043	N	0.04	N	0.025	N	0.018	N	0.029
V	15	N	0.053	N	0.033	N	0.044	N	0.024	N	0.023
L	16	N	0.037	N	0.032	N	0.028	N	0.026	N	0.015
C	17	N	0.019	N	0.03	N	0.027	N	0.034	N	0.021
L	18	N	0.03	N	0.025	N	0.036	N	0.039	N	0.027
R	19	N	0.035	N	0.028	N	0.06	N	0.023	N	0.026
P	20	N	0.028	N	0.033	N	0.034	N	0.022	N	0.089
V	21	N	0.031	N	0.051	N	0.034	N	0.033	N	0.02
G	22	N	0.032	N	0.033	N	0.04	N	0.008	N	0.018
A	23	N	0.032	N	0.062	N	0.034	N	0.017	N	0.023
E	24	N	0.041	N	0.053	N	0.029	N	0.022	N	0.04
S	25	N	0.032	N	0.04	N	0.035	N	0.021	N	0.017
R	26	N	0.038	N	0.037	N	0.027	N	0.035	N	0.023

G	27	N	0.05	N	0.029	N	0.03	N	0.027	N	0.02
R	28	N	0.027	N	0.035	N	0.027	N	0.012	N	0.012
P	29	N	0.023	N	0.019	N	0.024	N	0.026	N	0.009
L	30	N	0.031	N	0.018	N	0.031	N	0.026	N	0.014
S	31	N	0.043	N	0.028	N	0.033	N	0.029	N	0.015
G	32	N	0.029	N	0.019	N	0.041	N	0.013	N	0.017
P	33	N	0.027	N	0.03	N	0.047	N	0.013	N	0.023
L	34	N	0.031	N	0.039	N	0.046	N	0.012	N	0.011
G	35	N	0.046	N	0.018	N	0.022	N	0.042	N	0.006
T	36	N	0.051	N	0.065	N	0.026	N	0.017	N	0.012
L	37	N	0.027	N	0.018	N	0.026	N	0.016	N	0.024
S	38	N	0.052	N	0.017	N	0.039	N	0.008	N	0.018
S	39	N	0.048	N	0.038	N	0.043	N	0.024	N	0.011
P	40	N	0.035	N	0.016	N	0.028	N	0.022	N	0.013
S	41	N	0.031	N	0.045	N	0.063	N	0.021	N	0.017
P	42	N	0.046	N	0.06	N	0.031	N	0.018	N	0.012
S	43	N	0.025	N	0.044	N	0.027	N	0.013	N	0.026
A	44	N	0.037	N	0.04	N	0.027	N	0.013	N	0.02
V	45	N	0.028	N	0.047	N	0.03	N	0.018	N	0.018
P	46	N	0.028	N	0.019	N	0.032	N	0.035	N	0.02
A	47	N	0.019	N	0.026	N	0.024	N	0.023	N	0.017
D	48	N	0.02	N	0.037	N	0.025	N	0.018	N	0.013
H	49	N	0.034	N	0.042	N	0.033	N	0.023	N	0.025
G	50	N	0.03	N	0.034	N	0.028	N	0.028	N	0.023
A	51	N	0.022	N	0.051	N	0.026	N	0.041	N	0.014
H	52	N	0.029	N	0.029	N	0.026	N	0.019	N	0.029
L	53	N	0.021	N	0.016	N	0.027	N	0.015	N	0.019
S	54	N	0.025	N	0.02	N	0.035	N	0.026	N	0.013
L	55	N	0.023	N	0.032	N	0.028	N	0.027	N	0.028
R	56	N	0.05	N	0.025	N	0.082	N	0.025	N	0.017

G	57	B	0.135	N	0.048	N	0.055	N	0.054	N	0.03
L	58	N	0.066	N	0.06	N	0.055	N	0.015	N	0.021
P	59	N	0.054	N	0.035	N	0.038	N	0.022	N	0.024
V	60	N	0.06	N	0.031	N	0.044	N	0.025	N	0.022
C	61	N	0.045	N	0.029	N	0.031	N	0.037	N	0.027
A	62	N	0.04	N	0.016	N	0.035	N	0.043	N	0.026
F	63	N	0.043	N	0.037	N	0.025	N	0.026	N	0.03
S	64	N	0.041	N	0.035	N	0.041	N	0.032	N	0.041
S	65	N	0.034	N	0.036	N	0.039	N	0.053	N	0.029
A	66	N	0.087	N	0.048	N	0.06	N	0.04	N	0.026
G	67	N	0.057	N	0.041	B	0.236	N	0.025	N	0.027
P	68	N	0.028	N	0.031	N	0.044	N	0.03	N	0.032
C	69	N	0.09	N	0.024	N	0.071	N	0.072	N	0.032
A	70	N	0.037	N	0.027	N	0.034	N	0.06	N	0.027
L	71	N	0.038	N	0.022	N	0.034	N	0.024	N	0.015
R	72	N	0.04	N	0.031	N	0.041	N	0.028	N	0.019
F	73	N	0.03	N	0.039	N	0.043	N	0.011	N	0.034
T	74	N	0.025	N	0.02	N	0.052	N	0.009	N	0.038
S	75	N	0.035	N	0.029	N	0.058	N	0.015	N	0.032
A	76	N	0.067	N	0.038	N	0.05	N	0.02	N	0.022
R	77	N	0.058	N	0.051	N	0.083	N	0.029	N	0.034
C	78	N	0.08	N	0.04	N	0.037	N	0.023	N	0.027
M	79	N	0.058	N	0.035	N	0.035	N	0.022	N	0.023
E	80	N	0.044	N	0.017	N	0.03	N	0.017	N	0.021
T	81	N	0.027	N	0.022	N	0.045	N	0.012	N	0.018
T	82	N	0.024	N	0.035	N	0.023	N	0.038	N	0.022
V	83	N	0.035	N	0.019	N	0.028	N	0.008	N	0.019
N	84	N	0.028	N	0.022	N	0.054	N	0.014	N	0.018
A	85	N	0.023	N	0.025	N	0.032	N	0.019	N	0.022
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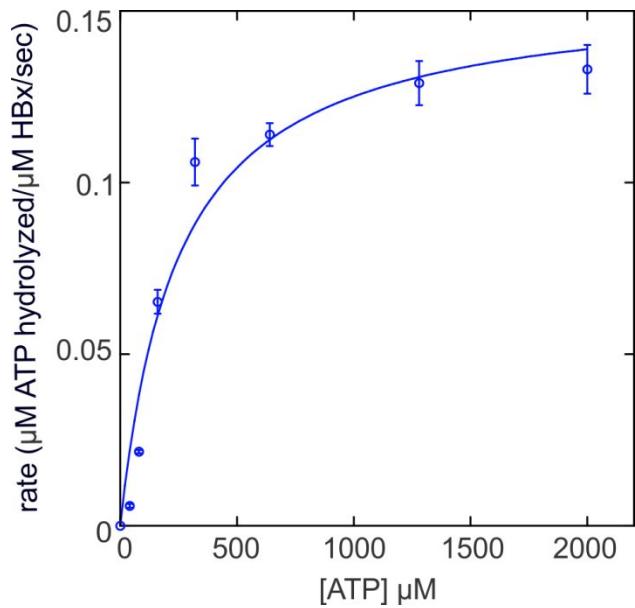
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L	89	N	0.027	N	0.024	N	0.032	N	0.018	N	0.022
P	90	N	0.031	N	0.026	N	0.03	N	0.023	N	0.016
K	91	N	0.032	N	0.025	N	0.031	N	0.015	N	0.022
V	92	N	0.015	N	0.017	N	0.021	N	0.008	N	0.02
L	93	N	0.027	N	0.022	N	0.03	N	0.015	N	0.02
H	94	N	0.048	N	0.06	N	0.059	N	0.038	N	0.02
K	95	N	0.027	N	0.034	N	0.034	N	0.015	N	0.018
R	96	N	0.019	N	0.018	B	0.101	N	0.032	N	0.015
T	97	N	0.027	N	0.046	N	0.024	N	0.013	N	0.011
L	98	N	0.025	N	0.019	N	0.026	N	0.014	N	0.014
G	99	N	0.037	N	0.035	N	0.032	N	0.033	N	0.014
L	100	N	0.028	N	0.029	N	0.04	N	0.017	N	0.021
P	101	N	0.027	N	0.022	N	0.034	N	0.017	N	0.022
A	102	N	0.027	N	0.022	N	0.037	N	0.009	N	0.024
M	103	N	0.023	N	0.032	N	0.036	N	0.008	N	0.026
S	104	N	0.046	N	0.03	N	0.025	N	0.011	N	0.055
T	105	N	0.087	N	0.028	N	0.031	N	0.008	N	0.041
T	106	N	0.03	N	0.018	N	0.029	N	0.01	B	0.117
D	107	N	0.02	N	0.014	N	0.025	N	0.009	N	0.054
L	108	N	0.03	N	0.015	N	0.018	N	0.027	N	0.02
E	109	N	0.018	N	0.022	N	0.019	N	0.021	N	0.021
A	110	N	0.023	N	0.03	N	0.024	N	0.021	N	0.015
Y	111	N	0.025	N	0.043	N	0.029	N	0.01	N	0.023
F	112	N	0.066	N	0.034	N	0.022	N	0.013	N	0.022
K	113	N	0.017	N	0.025	N	0.022	N	0.023	N	0.022
D	114	N	0.03	N	0.038	N	0.03	N	0.027	N	0.021
C	115	N	0.039	N	0.035	N	0.028	N	0.011	N	0.021
V	116	N	0.043	N	0.032	N	0.034	N	0.026	N	0.021

F	117	N	0.038	N	0.051	N	0.029	N	0.023	N	0.022
K	118	N	0.032	N	0.038	N	0.033	N	0.029	N	0.022
D	119	N	0.037	N	0.032	N	0.03	N	0.019	N	0.016
W	120	N	0.033	N	0.037	N	0.03	N	0.024	N	0.022
E	121	N	0.032	N	0.018	N	0.036	N	0.024	N	0.022
E	122	N	0.031	N	0.023	N	0.03	N	0.02	N	0.02
L	123	N	0.035	N	0.029	N	0.031	N	0.032	N	0.02
G	124	N	0.034	N	0.043	N	0.027	N	0.024	N	0.018
E	125	N	0.028	N	0.031	N	0.024	N	0.021	N	0.019
E	126	N	0.032	N	0.022	N	0.023	N	0.022	N	0.018
I	127	N	0.018	N	0.021	N	0.033	N	0.018	N	0.018
R	128	N	0.051	N	0.099	N	0.029	N	0.019	N	0.021
L	129	N	0.031	N	0.025	N	0.032	N	0.02	N	0.019
<b>K</b>	130	N	0.025	N	0.038	N	0.03	N	0.021	N	0.02
<b>V</b>	131	N	0.019	N	0.031	N	0.031	N	0.016	N	0.018
<b>F</b>	132	N	0.031	N	0.062	N	0.035	N	0.023	N	0.021
<b>V</b>	133	N	0.024	N	0.03	N	0.027	N	0.016	N	0.028
<b>L</b>	134	N	0.054	N	0.033	N	0.036	N	0.012	N	0.022
<b>G</b>	135	B	0.283	N	0.041	N	0.059	N	0.024	N	0.028
<b>G</b>	136	B	0.394	N	0.03	B	0.151	N	0.026	N	0.033
<b>C</b>	137	B	0.179	N	0.035	N	0.046	N	0.05	N	0.031
<b>R</b>	138	N	0.073	N	0.026	N	0.036	N	0.031	N	0.033
<b>H</b>	139	N	0.097	N	0.048	N	0.031	N	0.023	N	0.062
<b>K</b>	140	N	0.048	N	0.052	N	0.03	N	0.029	N	0.029
L	141	N	0.033	N	0.031	N	0.026	N	0.034	N	0.02
V	142	N	0.032	N	0.034	N	0.028	N	0.037	N	0.015
C	143	N	0.018	N	0.028	N	0.045	N	0.029	N	0.026
A	144	N	0.026	N	0.013	N	0.033	N	0.024	N	0.023
P	145	N	0.054	N	0.072	N	0.042	N	0.043	N	0.021
A	146	N	0.036	N	0.042	N	0.033	N	0.033	N	0.018

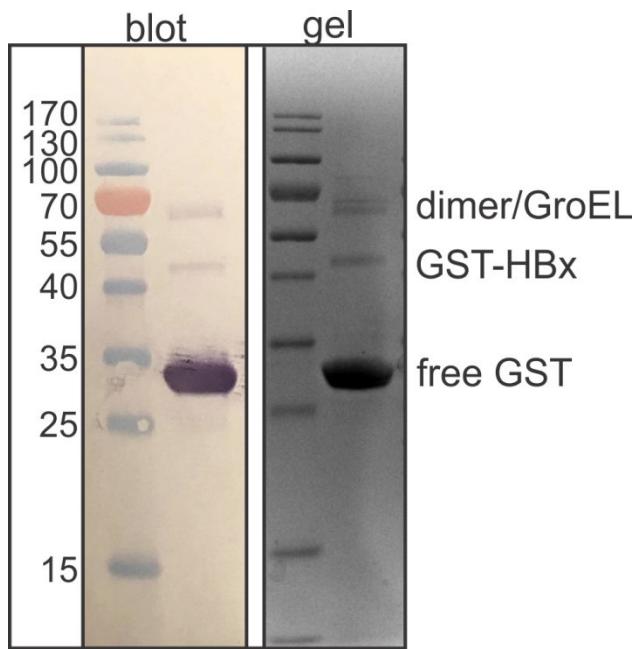
P	147	N	0.033	N	0.034	N	0.04	N	0.03	N	0.041
C	148	N	0.073	N	0.024	N	0.041	N	0.051	N	0.028
N	149	N	0.042	N	0.036	N	0.035	N	0.03	N	0.032
F	150	N	0.065	N	0.054	N	0.03	N	0.042	N	0.038
F	151	N	0.044	N	0.032	N	0.051	N	0.031	N	0.033
T	152	N	0.038	N	0.025	N	0.032	N	0.007	N	0.024
S	153	N	0.038	N	0.029	N	0.031	N	0.022	N	0.021
A	154	N	0.03	N	0.035	N	0.033	N	0.027	N	0.016

**Table S3.** Purity of MBP-HBx variants as estimated by using the mass spectrometry emPAI values.

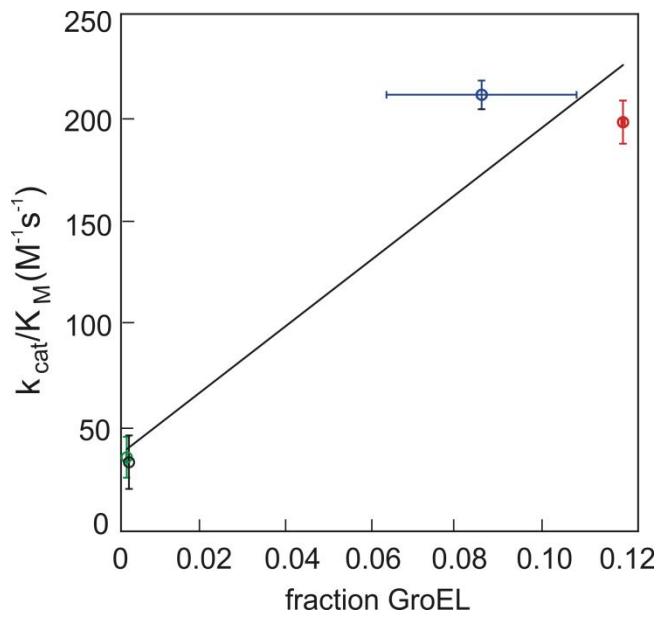
Variant	Average Purity (% Fusion)
G136A	83.3
K130A	76.7
K130A/K140A	83.3
K140A	77.7
C137A	75.9
H139A	79.5
K130M	80.5
K130M/V131I	80.9
Δ27	85.2



**Figure S1.** Michaelis-Menten kinetics of purified GroEL. From this fit,  $K_M$  and  $k_{\text{cat}}$  values were determined to be  $255 \pm 14 \mu\text{M}$  and  $0.15 \pm 0.007 \text{ s}^{-1}$  respectively. Error bars indicated standard error.



**Figure S2.** Western Blot and SDS-PAGE analysis of GST-HBx. Western blot was performed on a GST-HBx sample using His<sub>6</sub>-antibody (AbCam, ab49746) indicating that free GST in the sample is a result of proteolytic degradation of the GST-HBx fusion protein. This GST readily forms dimer species at a similar apparent molecular weight as GroEL (i.e. 60 kDa). Mass-spectrometric analysis indicate that the gel band at ~60 kDa is composed of this dimer as well as GroEL contaminant and perhaps minimal amounts of GST-HBx/HBx dimer.



**Figure S3.** Correlation between the amount of GroEL and activity. MBP-HBx and GST-HBx samples containing GroEL are represented in red and blue, respectively. DsbC-HBx and NusA-HBx samples lacking the chaperone are shown in green and black, respectively. Vertical error bars indicate standard error in activity ( $k_{cat}/K_M$  values), while horizontal error bars indicate the variability of copurifying GroEL between individual samples (represented as standard error).