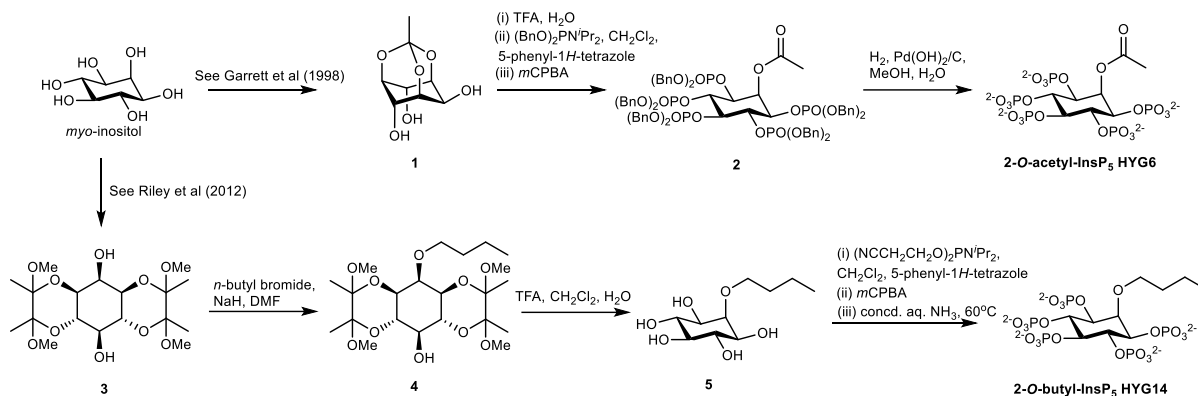


1 SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL

2 Materials and Methods

3 Syntheses of HYG6 and HYG14



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5 HYG6 (2-*O*-acetyl-IP₅) was synthesized from *myo*-inositol by way of *myo*-inositol
6 orthoacetate (compound 1) (99). Thus, acid-catalyzed regioselective hydrolysis of compound
7 1 yielded crude 2-*O*-acetyl-*myo*-inositol, which was converted into full-protected
8 pentakisphosphate (compound 2) by reaction with bis(benzyloxy)(*N,N*-
9 diisopropylamino)phosphine activated with 5-phenyl-1*H*-tetrazole, followed by oxidation with
10 *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide. Removal of the ten benzyl protecting groups by hydrogenolysis over
11 Pd(OH)₂ on carbon yielded 2-*O*-acetyl-IP₅ (HYG6), which was purified by gradient elution
12 anion exchange chromatography on Q Sepharose Fast Flow resin and isolated as the
13 triethylammonium salt.

14 HYG14 (2-*O*-butyl-IP₅) was synthesized by way of diol (compound 3) (100). Thus,
15 regioselective 2-*O*-alkylation of compound 3 with sodium hydride and 1-bromobutane in DMF
16 yielded 2-*O*-butyl ether (compound 4). The acid-labile butanediacetal protecting groups were
17 removed using aqueous trifluoroacetic acid to yield pentaol (compound 5) as a crystalline
18 solid. Phosphitylation using bis(cyanoethyl)(*N,N*-diisopropylamino)phosphine, activated with
19 5-phenyl-1*H*-tetrazole, followed by oxidation with *m*CPBA, yielded the fully protected
20 pentakisphosphate, from which the cyanoethyl protecting groups on phosphates were
21 cleaved by β-elimination using aqueous ammonia at 60°C. The product was purified by
22 gradient elution anion exchange chromatography on Q Sepharose Fast Flow resin to yield
23 pure HYG14 isolated as the triethylammonium salt.

24 2-*O*-Acetyl 1,3,4,5,6-pentakis-*O*-[bis(benzyloxy)phosphoryl] *myo*-inositol (compound 2)
25 A mixture of TFA (1.8 ml) and water (0.2 ml) was added to orthoacetate (compound 1) (200 mg,
26 0.98 mmol) and the resulting solution was stirred for 5 min, after which TLC (ethyl acetate)
27 indicated the complete conversion of starting material (R_f 0.5) into a product (R_f 0.0). The
28 reaction mixture was co-evaporated with water, then with dichloromethane in vacuo to obtain 2-
29 *O*-acetyl *myo*-inositol (218 mg) as a white solid, which was dried under vacuum. 5-phenyl-1*H*-
30 tetrazole (1.32 g, 9.00 mmol) and dry dichloromethane (5 mL) were added to this solid under an
31 atmosphere of argon, which was followed by the addition of bis(benzyloxy)(*N,N*-
32 diisopropylamino)phosphine (1.81 mL, 5.40 mmol). Stirring continued for 1 h at room
33 temperature, after which TLC (1:1, ethyl acetate:pet. ether) confirmed the complete consumption
34 of starting material (R_f 0.0) to a product (R_f 0.9). The reaction mixture was cooled to -40 °C and
35 70% *t*BuOOH (1.29 mL, 9.00 mmol) was added portionwise while stirring. The cooling bath was
36 removed and the mixture was allowed to reach room temperature. After 15 min, TLC (1:1, ethyl
37 acetate:pet. ether) showed complete oxidation of pentakisphosphite to pentakisphosphate (R_f
38 0.3). The reaction mixture was diluted with dichloromethane (100 mL), washed with 10% sodium

39 sulphite solution (2 × 100 mL), dried and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by
40 column chromatography (pet. ether:ethyl acetate, 1:1 to 1:2) to generate Compound 2 (1.18 g,
41 80%) as a colorless oil. ³¹P NMR (161.9 MHz, H-decoupled, CDCl₃) δ -1.84 (2 P, s), -1.46 (2 P,
42 s), -1.21 (1 P, s, phosphate at C-5); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.00 (3H, s, CH₃), 4.43-4.54,
43 4.91-5.06 (3 H : 22 H, m, C-1-H, C-3-H, C-4-H, C-5-H, C-6-H and 10 × CH₂Ar), 6.00 (1 H, br s, C-
44 2-H), 7.14-7.23 (50 H, m, Ar-H); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_C 20.6 (CO₂CH₃), 68.1 (C-2),
45 69.5, 69.6, 69.6, 69.7, 69.7, 69.8, 69.8 (10 × CH₂Ar), 72.9 (C-1 & C-3), 74.6 (C-5), 74.8 (C-4 & C-
46 6), 127.9, 128.0, 128.0, 128.1, 128.1, 128.2, 128.2, 128.3, 128.3, 128.3, 128.4, 128.4, 128.4,
47 128.5 (50 × Ar-C), 135.6, 135.6, 135.8, 135.8, 135.8, 135.9 (10 × Ar-C_{ipso}), 169.0 (CO₂CH₃);
48 HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M + H]⁺ calculated for C₇₈H₈₀O₂₂P₅ 1523.3829; found 1523.3824; HRMS
49 (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M + Na]⁺ calculated for C₇₈H₇₉O₂₂P₅Na 1545.3649; found 1545.3643.

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51 2-O-Acetyl *myo*-inositol 1,3,4,5,6-pentakisphosphate (HYG6)

52 Compound 2 (600 mg, 0.39 mmol) was dissolved in methanol (15 mL) and water (3 mL) and
53 10% palladium hydroxide on activated charcoal (100 mg) was added. The resulting suspension
54 was shaken in a Parr hydrogenator under H₂ for 20 h at room temperature. The catalyst was
55 filtered through a PTFE syringe filter and the filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure.
56 The hygroscopic white foam was purified by ion exchange chromatography on Q Sepharose Fast
57 Flow resin and eluted with a gradient of aqueous TEAB (0 to 2.0 M) to generate HYG6 (312 mg,
58 76%) as the triethylammonium salt. ³¹P NMR (161.9 MHz, H-decoupled, D₂O) δ -0.75 (2 P, s),
59 0.24 (2 P, s), 0.57 (1 P, s, phosphate at C-5); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, D₂O) δ 1.12 (~37 H, t, *J* 7.4 Hz,
60 CH₃ of TEA⁺), 2.06 (3 H, s, CO₂CH₃), 3.05 (~25 H, q, *J* 7.4 Hz, CH₂ of TEA⁺), 4.12-4.22 (3 H, m, *J*
61 2.8, 9.4, 9.8 Hz, C-1-H, C-3-H and C-5-H), 4.36 (2 H, ap. quartet, ddd, C-4-H and C-6-H), 5.58 (1
62 H, t, *J* 2.8 Hz, C-2-H); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, D₂O) δ_C 8.2 (CH₃ of TEA⁺), 20.2 (CO₂CH₃), 46.5
63 (CH₂ of TEA⁺), 71.6 (C-2), 72.1 (C-1 and C-3), 76.3 (C-4 and C-6), 77.0 (C-5), 172.6 (CO₂CH₃);
64 HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M - H]⁻ calculated for C₈H₁₈O₂₂P₅ 620.8983; found 620.9000.

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66 2-O-Butyl 1,6:3,4-bis-[O-(2,3-dimethoxybutane-2,3-diyl)]-*myo*-inositol (compound 4)

67 Sodium hydride (118 mg of a 60% dispersion in oil, 2.94 mmol) was added in portions to a
68 suspension of 1,6:3,4-bis-[O-(2,3-dimethoxybutane-2,3-diyl)]-*myo*-inositol (compound 3) (1.0 g,
69 2.45 mmol) in anhydrous DMF (60 ml). The resulting suspension was stirred for 1 h and 1-
70 bromobutane (0.29 mL, 2.69 mmol) was added dropwise over 1 h. Stirring was continued for a
71 further 20 h, after which TLC (hexane:ethyl acetate, 2:1) showed the conversion of starting
72 material (R_f 0.0) to a product (R_f 0.3) and the excess sodium hydride was destroyed by the
73 dropwise addition of methanol. The solvents were removed under reduced pressure and the
74 residue was dissolved in dichloromethane (100 mL), washed with water (100 mL), brine (100
75 mL), dried (MgSO₄) and evaporated in vacuo. The resulting compound was purified by flash
76 column chromatography (hexane:ethyl acetate, 2:1) to generate 2-O-butyl ether (compound 4)
77 (870 mg, 77%) as a white solid, m.p. 185-187 °C (ethyl acetate); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, D₂O) δ
78 0.90 (3H, t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, O(CH₂)₃CH₃), 1.27 (6H, s, 2 × CH₃), 1.29 (6H, s, 2 × CH₃), 1.40 (2H,
79 sextet, *J* = 7.4 Hz, O(CH₂)₂CH₂CH₃), 1.55 (2H, pentet, *J* = 6.1 Hz, OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₃), 2.55 (1H,
80 d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 5-OH), 3.22 (6H, s, 2 × OCH₃), 3.26 (6H, s, 2 × OCH₃), 3.45 (2H, dd, *J*_{1,2} = *J*_{2,3} = 2.5
81 Hz, *J*_{1,6} = *J*_{3,4} = 10.2 Hz, C-1-H and C-3-H), 3.62-3.65 (2H, m, C-2-H and C-5-H), 3.70 (2H, t, *J* =
82 6.1 Hz, OCH₂(CH₂)₂CH₃), 3.97 (2H, t, *J*_{4,5} = *J*_{5,6} = 10.2 Hz, C-4-H and C-6-H); ¹³C NMR (100.6
83 MHz, D₂O) δ_C 13.9 (q, O(CH₂)₃CH₃), 17.6 (q, 2 × CH₃), 17.7 (q, 2 × CH₃), 19.1 (t, O(CH₂)₂CH
84 ₂CH₃), 32.1 (t, OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₃), 47.8 (q, 2 × OCH₃), 47.9 (q, 2 × OCH₃), 69.1 (d, C-1 and C-3),
85 69.3 (d, C-4 and C-6), 70.7 (d, C-5), 72.1 (t, OCH₂(CH₂)₂CH₃), 76.6 (d, C-2), 99.0 (s,
86 C(CH₃)OCH₃), 99.5 (s, C(CH₃)OCH₃); elemental analysis calculated for C₂₂H₄₀O₁₀ (464.55) C,
87 56.88; H, 8.68; found C, 57.2; H, 8.79.

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89 2-O-Butyl-*myo*-inositol (compound 5)

90 Aqueous TFA (90%, 5 mL) was added to a solution of 2-O-butyl ether (compound 4) (700 mg,
91 1.51 mmol) in dichloromethane (5 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred for 10 min at room

92 temperature, after which TLC (hexane:ethyl acetate, 2:1) indicated the complete conversion
93 of starting material (R_f 0.3) into a product (R_f 0.0). The solvents were then removed by
94 evaporation in vacuo followed by co-evaporation with methanol a few times until all the traces of
95 butanedione (yellow in colour) was removed to give the pure tetraol (compound 5) (356 mg,
96 quantitative) as a white solid, m.p. 224-226 °C (methanol); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 0.87
97 (3 H, t, J 7.2 Hz, $\text{O}(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{CH}_3$), 1.32 (2 H, sextet, J 7.4 Hz, $\text{O}(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 1.45 (2 H, pentet, J
98 6.8 Hz, $\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 2.88 (1 H, ddd, J 2.8, 4.3, 9.0 Hz, C-5-H), 3.14-3.19 (2 H, m, C-1-H
99 and C-3-H), 3.32 (2 H, ddd, J 4.3, 9.0 Hz, C-4-H and C-6-H), 3.47 (1 H, t, J 2.6 Hz, C-2-H), 3.63
100 (2H, t, J 6.7 Hz, $\text{OCH}_2(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{CH}_3$), 4.37 (2 H, d, J 4.7 Hz, C-1-OH and C-3-OH), 4.55 (3 H, br s,
101 C-4-OH, C-5-OH and C-6-OH); ^{13}C NMR (100.6 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ_c 13.9 ($\text{O}(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{CH}_3$), 18.8
102 ($\text{O}(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 32.1 ($\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 72.0 (C-1 and C-3), 72.3 ($\text{OCH}_2(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{CH}_3$), 73.0
103 (C-4 and C-6), 75.3 (C-5), 81.8 (C-2); elemental analysis, calculated for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_6$ (236.26) C,
104 50.84; H, 8.53; found C, 50.97; H, 8.61.

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106 2-O-Butyl-*myo*-inositol-1,3,4,5,6-pentakisphosphate (HYG14)

107 To a solution of 2-O-butyl *myo*-inositol (compound 5) (300 mg, 1.27 mmol) and 5-phenyl-1*H*-
108 tetrazole (1.39 mg, 9.52 mmol) in dry dichloromethane (10 mL) under an atmosphere of
109 argon, was added bis(cyanoethoxy)(*N,N*-diisopropylamino)phosphine (2.54 g, 9.52 mmol).
110 Stirring was continued for 1 h at room temperature, after which TLC (ethyl acetate:ethanol,
111 4:1) confirmed the complete conversion of starting material (R_f 0.0) into a product (R_f 0.8).
112 The reaction mixture was cooled to -40 °C and *m*CPBA (77%, 2.84 g, 12.70 mmol) was added
113 portionwise while stirring. The cooling bath was removed and the mixture was allowed to reach
114 room temperature. After 15 min, TLC (ethyl acetate:ethanol, 4:1) showed complete oxidation
115 of pentakisphosphite to pentakisphosphate (R_f 0.2) and the reaction mixture was diluted with
116 ethyl acetate (100 mL), washed with 10% sodium sulphite solution (2 × 200 mL), dried and solvent
117 evaporated in vacuo. The resulting compound was then dissolved in concentrated aqueous
118 ammonia solution (30 mL) and heated at 60°C overnight in a Pyrex pressure tube. After
119 evaporation of solution under vacuum, the residue was purified by ion exchange chromatography
120 on Q Sepharose Fast Flow resin and eluted with a gradient of aqueous TEAB (0 to 2.0 M) to yield
121 the pure triethylammonium salt of 2-O-butyl *myo*-inositol 1,3,4,5,6-pentakisphosphate HYG14
122 (1.12 g, 81%) as a hygroscopic white solid. ^{31}P NMR (161.9 MHz, H-decoupled, D_2O) δ -0.70
123 (2P, s), 0.11 (2P, s), 0.65 (1P, s, phosphate at C-5); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, D_2O) δ 0.68-0.73
124 (3H, m, $\text{O}(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{CH}_3$), 1.05-1.10 (~34H, m, CH_3 of TEA^+), 1.20-1.23 (2H, m, $\text{O}(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{CH}$
125 $_2\text{CH}_3$), 1.38-1.40 (2H, m, $\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 2.96-3.02 (~24H, m, CH_2 of TEA^+), 3.65-3.67
126 (2H, m, $\text{OCH}_2(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{CH}_3$), 3.96-4.03 (4H, m, C-1-H, C-2-H, C-3-H and C-5-H), 4.26-4.31 (2H,
127 m, C-4-H and C-6-H); ^{13}C NMR (100.6 MHz, D_2O) δ_c 8.1 (q, CH_3 of TEA^+), 13.2 (q,
128 $\text{O}(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{CH}_3$), 18.5 (t, $\text{O}(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 31.4 (t, $\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 46.5 (t, CH_2 of TEA^+),
129 73.9 (t, $\text{OCH}_2(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{CH}_3$), 74.1 (m, C-1 and C-3), 76.3 (m, C-4 and C-6), 77.5, 78.0 (2 × m, C-
130 2 and C-5); HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M} - \text{H}]^-$ calculated for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_{21}\text{P}_5$ 634.9504; found
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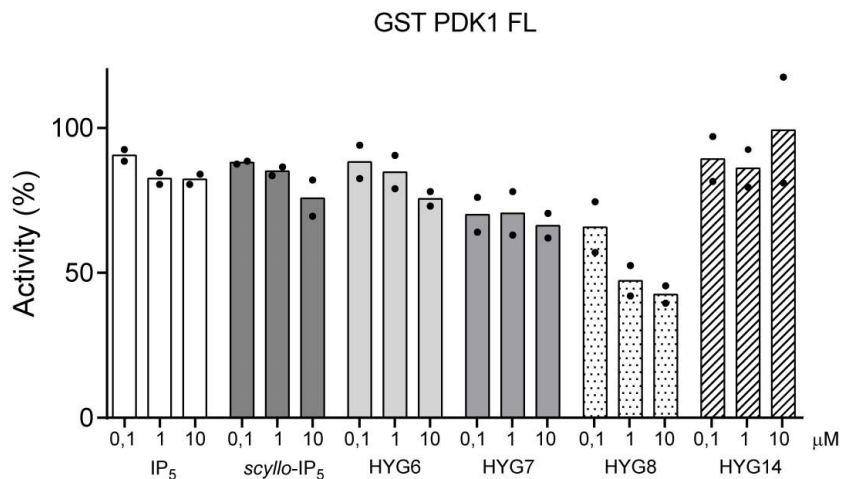
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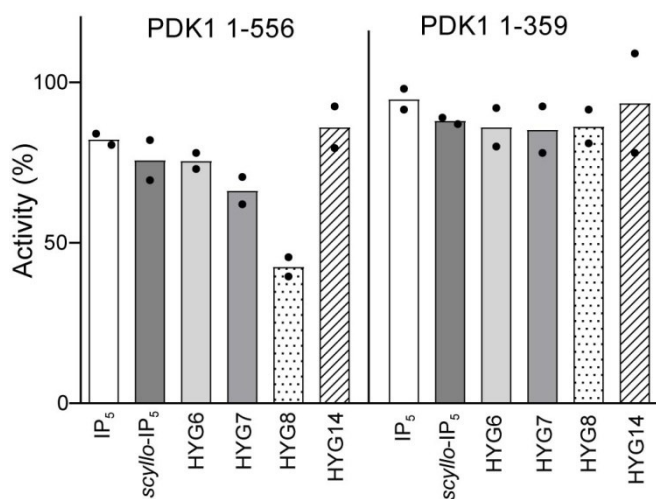
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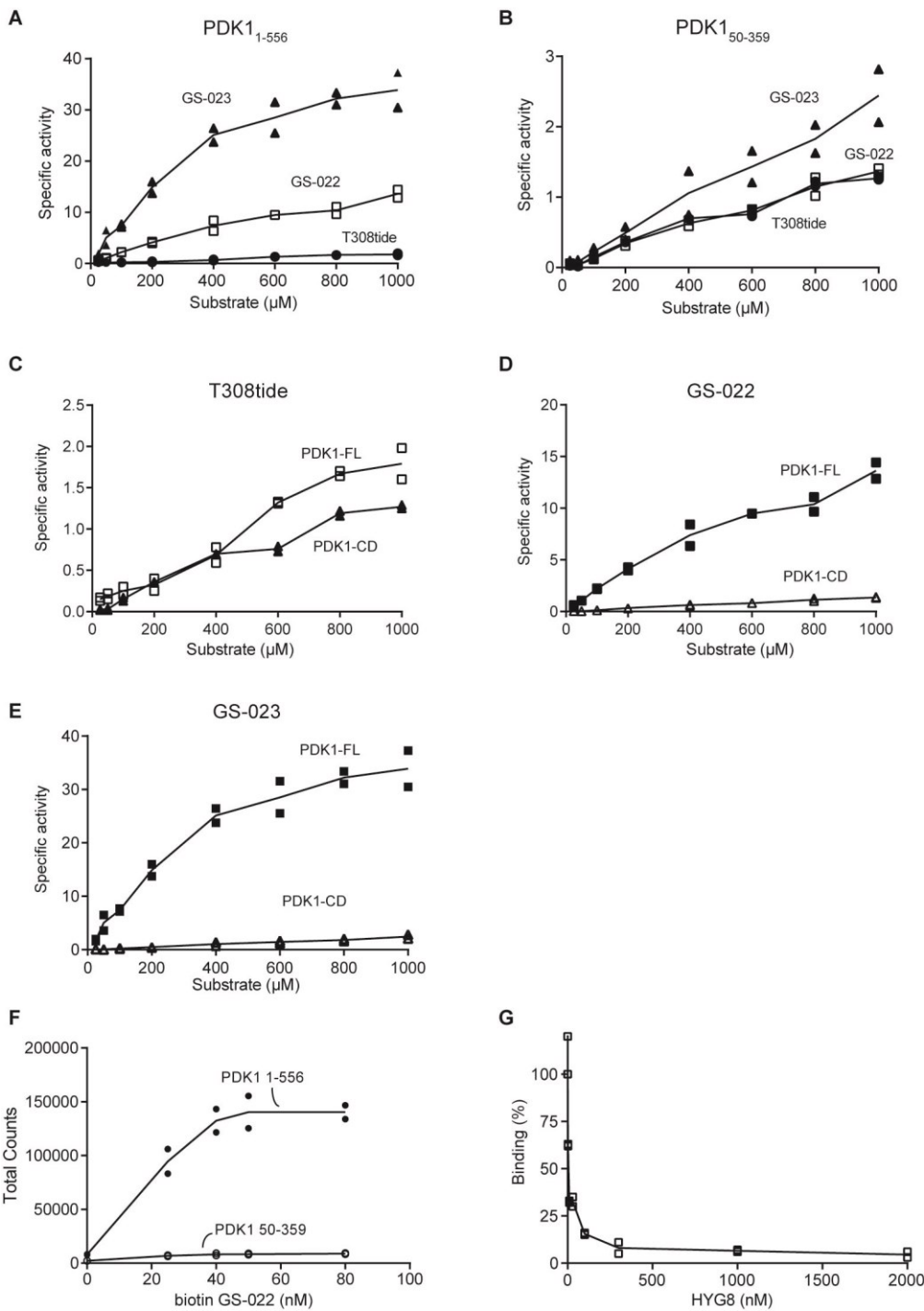
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145 **Figure S1. Inositol phosphates and derivatives do not potently inhibit the intrinsic**
146 **activity of PDK1.** (A) The effect of inositol phosphates and derivatives was assessed on the
147 kinase activity of full-length GST-PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ toward T308tide. (B) The effect of inositol
148 phosphates and derivatives (10μM) was assessed on the kinase activity of full-length GST-
149 PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ and a construct comprising the catalytic domain but lacking the linker region and
150 the PH domain, PDK1₁₋₃₅₉, toward T308tide. N=2 independent experiments.

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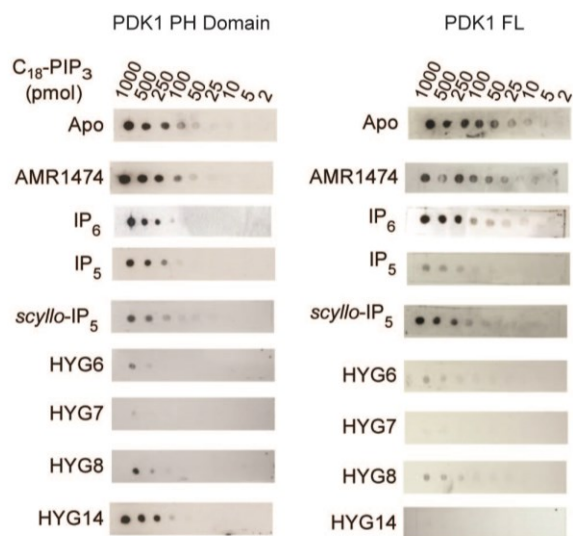
154 **Figure S2. Analysis of the “PDK1 Direct” commercial assay.** (A-E) The activity of GST-
 155 PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ or GST-PDK1₁₋₃₅₉ was measured using [³²P]ATP and different substrates:
 156 T308tide, derived from the activation loop of Akt and two alternative “improved” substrates;
 157 GS-022 (RRRQFSLRRKAK); and GS-023 (RRRQFSLRRKA-K(5-FAM)). (A) Specific activity
 158 of GST-PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ towards the three substrates. N=2 independent experiments. (B) Specific
 159 activity of GST-PDK1₁₋₃₅₉ towards the three substrates. N=2 independent experiments. (C)
 160 Analysis of T308tide as a substrate of GST-PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ and GST-PDK1₁₋₃₅₉. N=2 independent
 161 experiments. (D) Analysis of GS-022 as a substrate of GST-PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ and GST-PDK1₁₋₃₅₉.
 162 Analysis of GS-023 as a substrate of GST-PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ and GST-PDK1₁₋₃₅₉. N=2

163 independent experiments. (F-G) Interaction and displacement of interactions using
164 AlphaScreen technology. (F) Interaction of biotin-GS-022 with GST-PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ and GST-
165 PDK1₁₋₃₅₉. N=2 independent experiments. (G) Effect of HYG8 on the interaction between
166 biotin-GS-022 and GST-PDK1₁₋₅₅₆. N=2 independent experiments.

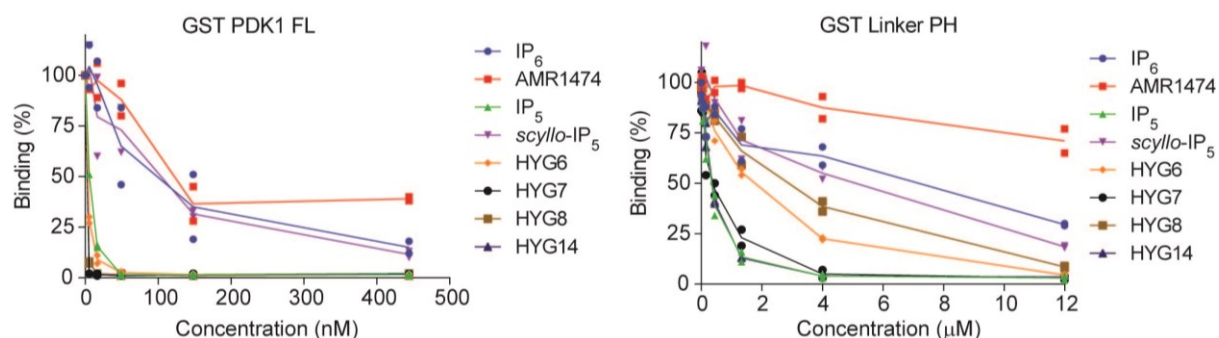
167 The Thermo Fisher Scientific "PDK1 Direct" assay produced results quite different from those
168 obtained using our PDK1 kinase assay which uses [γ ³²P]ATP and T308tide
169 (KTFCGTPEYLAPEVRR) as substrates. Phosphorylation of T308tide and of the alternative
170 peptides GS-022 (RRRQFSLRRKAK) and GS-023 (RRRQFSLRRKA-K(5-FAM)) was
171 compared. GS-023 and GS-022 were phosphorylated efficiently by GST-PDK1₁₋₅₅₆, with over
172 30 and 10-fold higher turnover than T308tide, respectively (fig. S2A). The increased
173 phosphorylation of GS-023 indicated that the fluorescein molecule at the C-terminal of the
174 GS-023 peptide provided a degree of improvement of substrate phosphorylation by PDK1<sub>1-
175 556</sub>. GST-PDK1₁₋₃₅₉, comprising only the catalytic domain but lacking the linker region and the
176 PH domain, phosphorylated the three substrates similarly, with a slight increased turnover
177 towards GS-023 (fig. S2B). Thus, the phosphorylation of GS-23 and GS-022, but not that of
178 T308tide, depended on the construct used (figs. S2C-E). To assess a possible differential
179 binding of GS-022 to GST-PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ and GST-PDK1₁₋₃₅₉, we used an AlphaScreen assay
180 that measured the interaction of biotin-GS-022 with GST-PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ and GST-PDK1₁₋₃₅₉.
181 Biotin-GS-022 showed increased binding to GST-PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ (150 nM) compared to the
182 construct comprising the catalytic domain (fig. S2F). We concluded that the increased
183 phosphorylation of GS-022 could be due to an additional interaction site for the linker-PH
184 domain which increases the affinity of GS-022 for PDK1₁₋₅₅₆. HYG8 potently displaced the
185 interaction between GS-022 and PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ (fig. S2G), which could explain how a decrease in
186 the phosphorylation of a substrate in an in vitro protein kinase assay could be due to a
187 compound altering the docking interaction of the peptide substrate. We suggest that the
188 inhibitory effect of HYG8 in the "PDK1 Direct" assay could be due to the specific disruption of
189 a "docking" interaction of the Ser/Thr 07 peptide substrate with PDK1. Although the "PDK1
190 direct" assay does not always reflect the intrinsic kinase activity of PDK1, our results indicate
191 that the Thermo Fisher Scientific activity assays using Ser/Thr 07 or the AlphaScreen
192 interaction between PDK1 and biotin-GS-022 can be used to assess the relative
193 conformation of PDK1.

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197 **Figure S3. The ability of inositol phosphates and derivatives to displace PIP₃ from**
 198 **PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ and from the PH domain of PDK1 can depend on the construct used.** (A) The
 199 effect of inositol polyphosphates and synthetic derivatives (10 µM and 1 µM respectively)
 200 on the interaction between the isolated PH domain of PDK1 (residues 408-556; 10 nM) or full-
 201 length PDK1 (GST-PDK1₁₋₅₅₆; 10 nM) and C₁₈-PIP₃ spotted on a membrane. N=2
 202 independent experiments. (B) The interaction of linker-PH(PDK1₃₆₀₋₅₅₆)-PIP₃ and PDK1-FL
 203 (PDK1₁₋₅₅₆)-PIP₃ was measured using AlphaScreen technology and the ability of compounds
 204 to displace the interaction was tested. These are the expanded curves for all compounds of
 205 the results shown in Figs. 3D-G (N=2 independent experiments).

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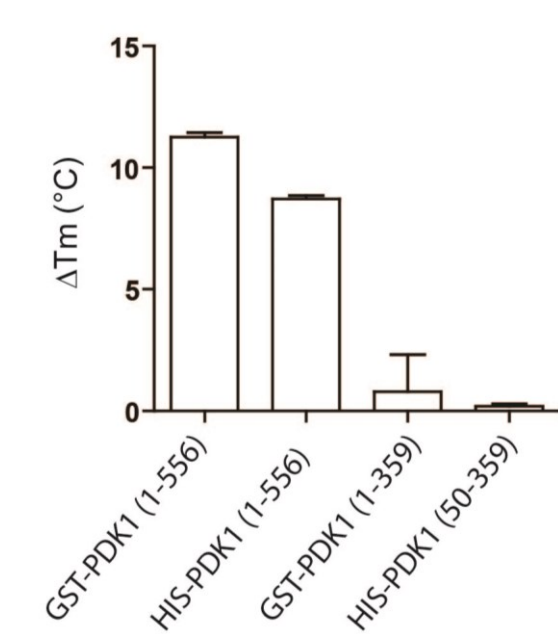
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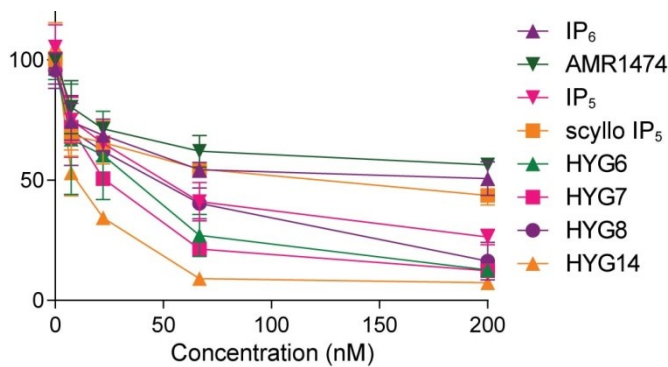


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214 **Figure S4. HYG8 stabilizes GST-PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ and His-PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ in thermal shift assays.**
215 The effect of HYG8 (20 μ M) on the thermal stability of different constructs of PDK1 was
216 assessed. N=3 independent experiments.

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218 **Figure S5**



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220 **Figure S5. Displacement of PDK1 FL - PDK1 FL dimers by all compounds.** The ability of
221 compounds to displace the interaction between His-PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ and GST-PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ was
222 measured using AlphaScreen technology. N=3 independent experiments. Fig. 4D presents a
223 subset of these compounds for clarity.

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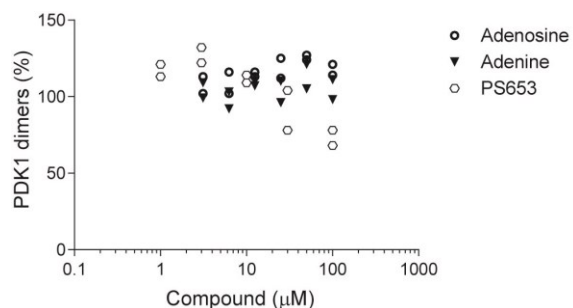
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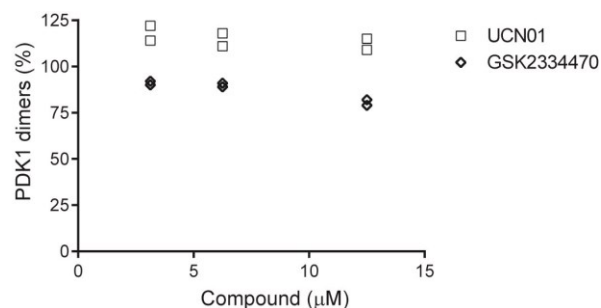
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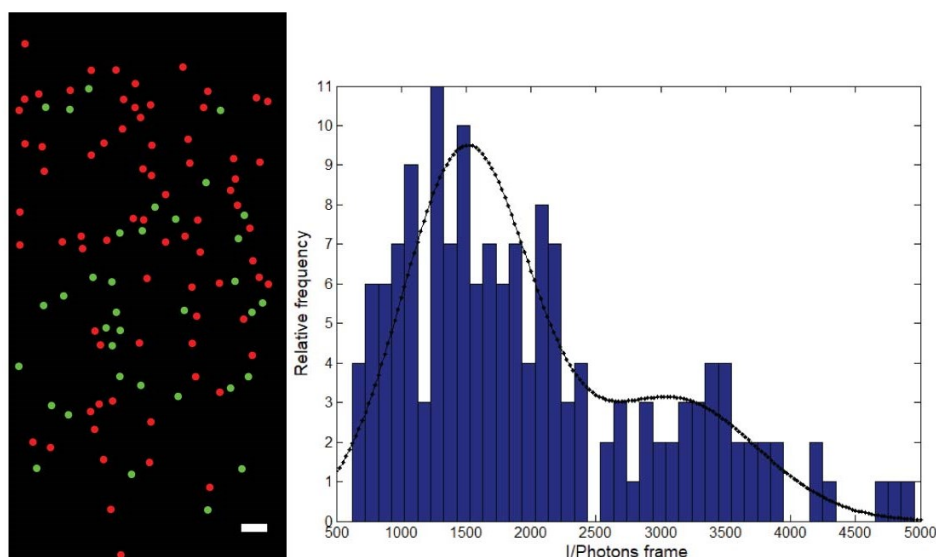
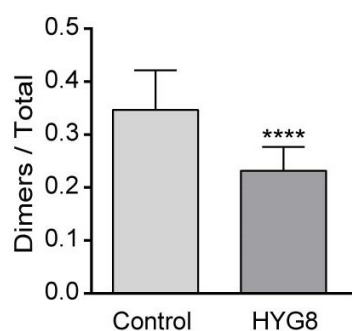
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232 **Figure S6. Small molecules that bind to the ATP-binding site and allosterically affect**
233 **the PIF pocket do not affect the formation of PDK1 dimers.**

234 (A-B) The effect of adenosine, adenine, PS653, GSK2334470 and UCN01 on the formation
235 of His-PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ and GST-PDK1₃₆₀₋₅₅₆ dimers was evaluated using an AlphaScreen-based
236 interaction assay. N=2 independent experiments.

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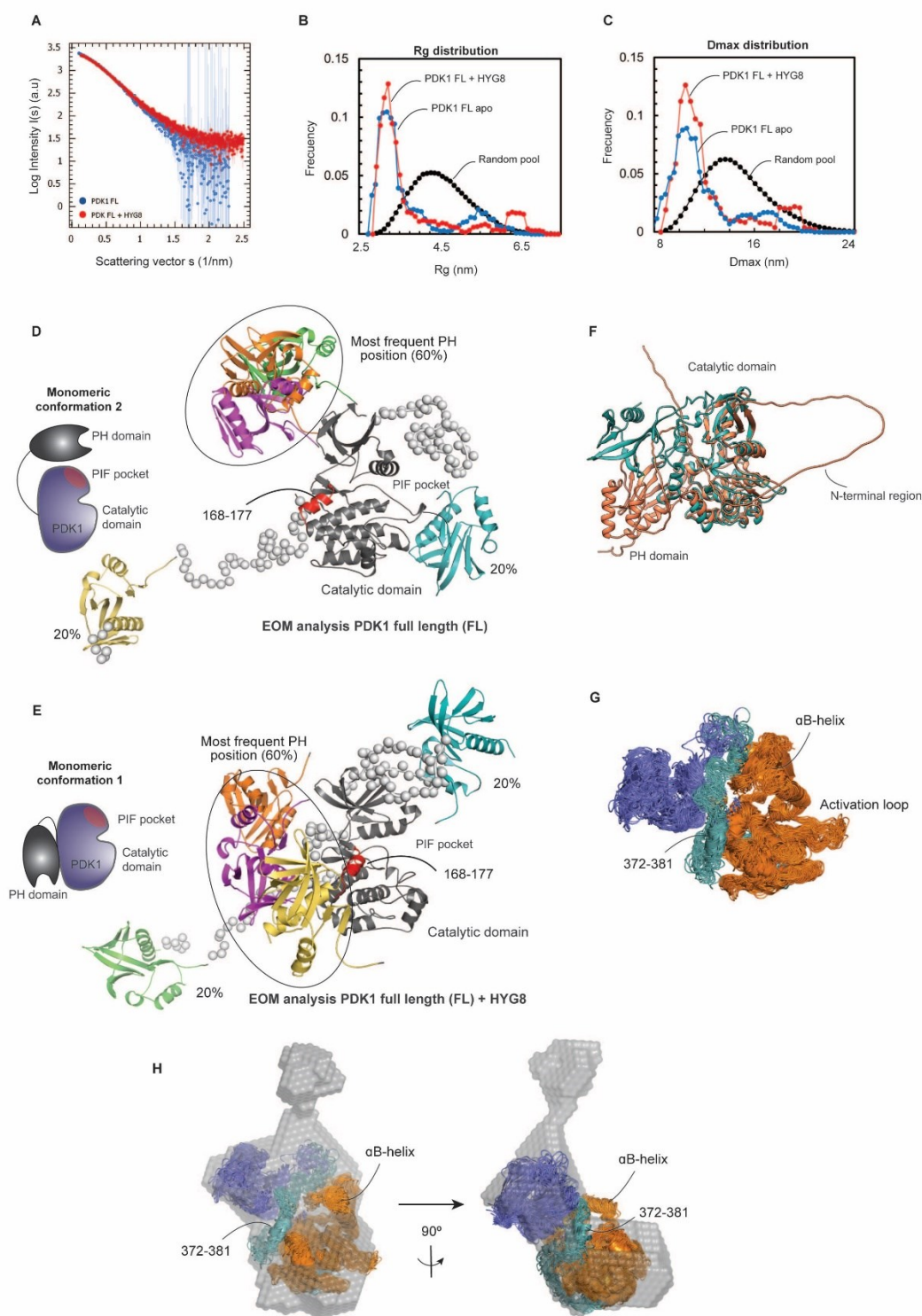
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240 **Figure S7. Single particle fluorescence identifies PDK1₁ dimers and disruption of dimers by**
 241 **HYG8.** (A) STORM image with 100 ms exposure showing single molecule localizations of
 242 His-SNAP-PDK1₅₀₋₅₅₆ labelled with TMR. Monomers are shown as red dots (74 localizations
 243 displayed in the image), whereas dimers are shown as green dots (35 localizations in the
 244 image). An intensity histogram of the brightness of the spots is shown in the image, fitted to a
 245 sum of two Gaussians. Monomers are identified as spots in the intensity range 500-2500,
 246 whereas dimers correspond to the intensity range 2500-4500. For each independent
 247 experiment, 15 random images like the one shown were used to average the proportion of
 248 monomers and dimers under each condition. Scale bar 1.5 μ m. (B) Single particle
 249 fluorescence identifies PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ dimers and disruption of dimers by HYG8. Shown is one of
 250 three independent experiments (quantification for 15 sections each), which all showed highly
 251 significant differences according to a Student's t test (****, $p < 0.0001$).

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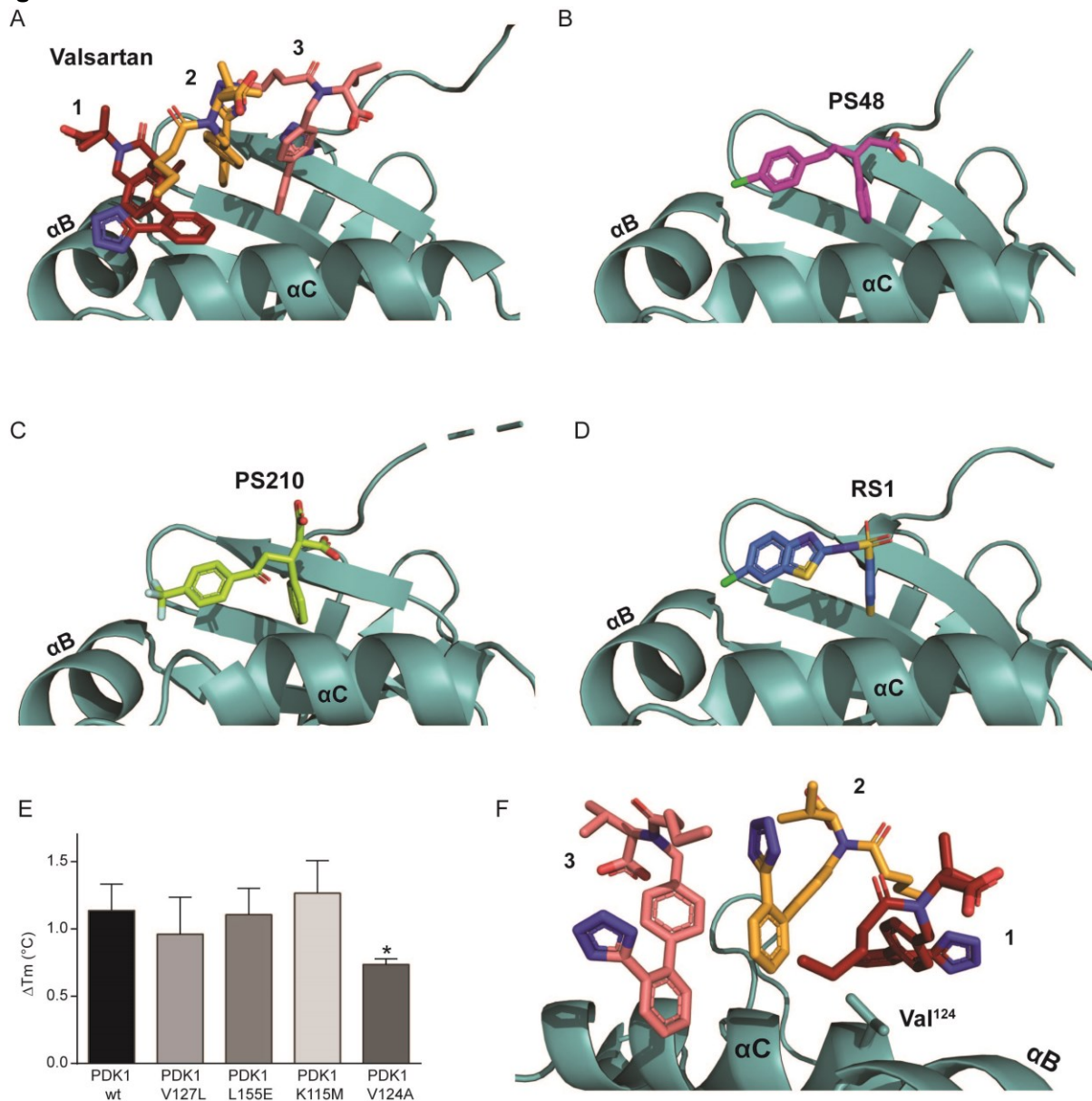
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 257 **Figure S8. SEC-SAXS experiments of PDK1.** (A) Scattering plot (obtained using
 258 CHROMIXS) corresponding to SEC-SAXS data from PDK1 FL in the absence and presence
 259 of HYG8. (B-C) EOM analysis of SEC-SAXS data from PDK1 full-length in the absence
 260 (blue) and presence (red) of HYG8. The “random pool” indicates the theoretical data that

261 would be expected if the position of the linker PH domain was fully flexible and randomly
262 located in the structure. (D-E) Proposed EOM models for apo PDK1 full-length in the
263 absence (D) and presence of HYG8 (E). Dummy atoms predicted for the linker and N-
264 terminal region are only shown for one of the five EOM models to simplify the overall
265 representation. The catalytic domain shown in E is slightly rotated to the right in comparison
266 to D to achieve a clearer view of five alternative positions of the PH domain. (F) Proposed
267 model for PDK1 full-length in the presence of HYG8 (see also Fig. 7A) in cyan aligned to the
268 proposed model by AlphaFold (salmon). Both model structures protect the “back” of the
269 catalytic domain. (G) Molecular dynamics (MD) of the proposed model for PDK1 in the
270 presence of HYG8 (presented in Fig. 7A). (H) The MD of the modeled structure of PDK1 is
271 shown fitted into the most representative ab initio low resolution structure DAMMIF (Fig. 4K)
272 of His-PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ + HYG8 determined from experimental SAXS data (light grey).
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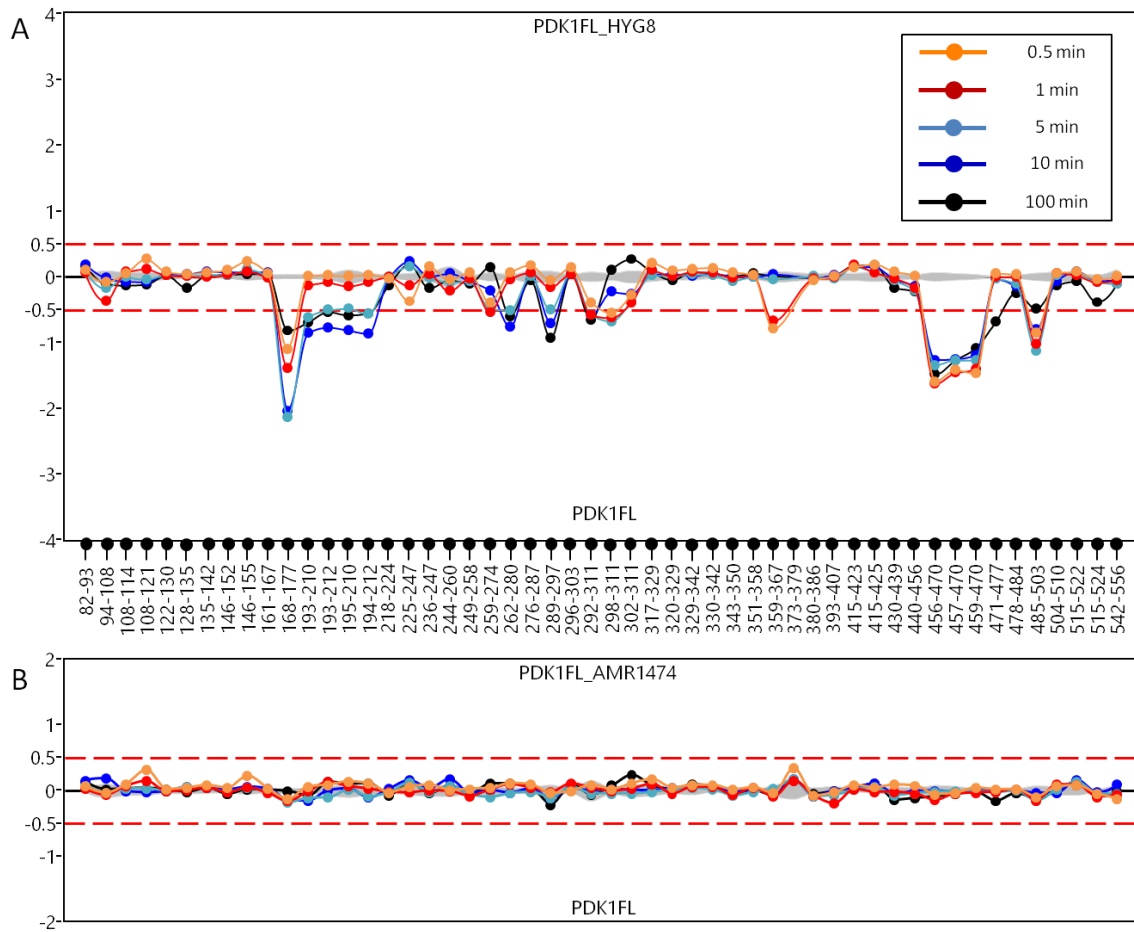


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276 **Figure S9. Structural comparison between the binding mode of valsartan and other**
 277 **small molecules that target the PIF pocket.** (A) Structure of PDK1 CD (PDK1₅₀₋₃₅₉) in
 278 complex with valsartan. (B) PDK1 CD bound to PS48 (PDB: 3HRF, (53)). (C) PDK1 bound to
 279 PS210 (PDB: 4AW1, (28)). (D) PDK1 bound to RS1 (PDB: 4RQK, (30)). (E) Differential
 280 scanning fluorimetry of WT and PIF pocket mutants of PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ to determine the effect of
 281 valsartan (100 μ M) on melting temperature (T_m). N=4 independent experiments for each
 282 group. * $p < 0.05$ One-way ANOVA followed by Dunnet post-hoc multiple comparisons tests
 283 (PDK1 WT as the control condition). (F) Structure of PDK1 CD PIF pocket in complex with
 284 valsartan showing that Val¹²⁴ interacts with valsartan molecule #1.

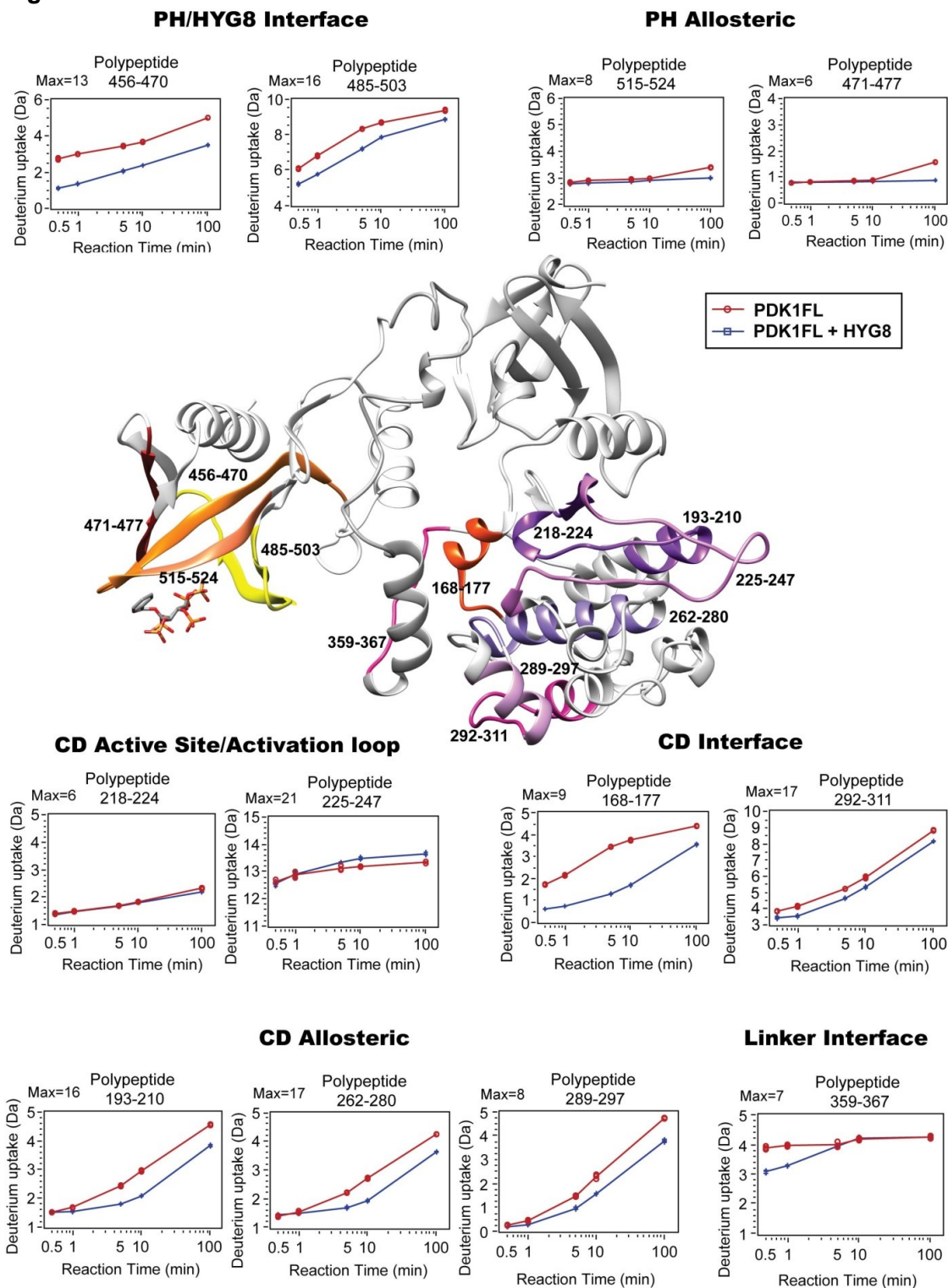
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286 **Figure S10**



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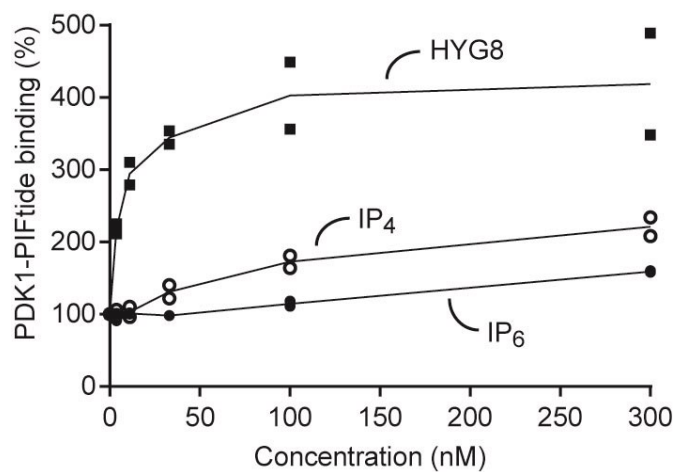
288 **Figure S10. Hydrogen/deuterium exchange profiles.** (A) The graph shows the difference
 289 in deuterium incorporation between PDK1 FL (PDK1₁₋₅₅₆) and PDK1 FL + HYG8 for each of
 290 the detected peptides. N=3 independent experiments. (B) The difference plot between PDK1
 291 FL and PDK1 FL + AMR1474. N=3 independent experiments.



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294 **Figure S11. The H/D exchange results and the model of full-length PDK1 in the**
 295 **conformation stabilized by HYG8.** The structural model of PDK1₇₇₋₅₄₉ is presented at the
 296 center, indicating polypeptides identified by H/D exchange. The inset graphics show the time
 297 course of the protection of the different polypeptides in the absence or presence of HYG8.
 298 The polypeptides are grouped according to the structural feature that explains the effect
 299 observed. N=3 independent experiments.

300 **Figure S12**



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302 **Figure S12. Effect of the PIP₃ head group on the interaction between PDK1 and PIFtide.**
303 AlphaScreen interaction assay between GST-PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ (1 nM) and biotin-PIFtide (5 nM) in
304 the presence of HYG8, IP₄ or IP₆. N=2 independent experiments.

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306 **Table S1:** Thermo Fisher/Invitrogen's SelectScreen® Profiling Service. IC₅₀ was calculated
 307 from 10-point titration experiment in which each data point was obtained from N=2
 308 independent experiments. Z'-factor is indicated as a measure of data quality.

Compound	Kinase Assay	IC ₅₀ (nM)	Hill slope	R ² value	Z'
HYG8	Cascade	6.42	2.19	0.9810	0.62
IP ₅	PDK1 direct	577	1.33	0.9921	0.78
HYG6	PDK1 direct	449	1.11	0.9950	0.78
HYG7	PDK1 direct	29	1.39	0.9994	0.78
HYG8	PDK1 direct	24.5	1.39	0.9985	0.78
HYG14	PDK1 direct	16.2	1.61	0.9958	0.82
IP ₆	PDK1 direct	>>10,000	-2.18	0.3276	0.78

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310 **Table S2:** Single point results from Thermo Fisher/Invitrogen's "PDK1 Direct":
 311 SelectScreen® Profiling Service. N=2 independent experiments. Z'-factor is indicated as a
 312 measure of data quality.

Compound Name	Kinase Assay	Inhibition at 1 μM (%)	% Inhibition		Z'
			Point 1	Point 2	
HYG6	PDK1 Direct	59	53	64	0.76
HYG7	PDK1 Direct	100	101	99	0.76
HYG8	PDK1 Direct	98	97	98	0.76
HYG14	PDK1 Direct	100	98	101	0.76
IP ₅	PDK1 Direct	66	63	69	0.88
<i>scyllo</i> -IP ₅	PDK1 Direct	-9	-8	-10	0.88
AMR1474	PDK1 Direct	10	9	11	0.88
IP ₆	PDK1 Direct	8	8	7	0.80

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314 **Table S3.** Temperature stabilization of PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ by inositol phosphates and derivatives (N=3
 315 independent experiments).

Compound	ΔTm (°C)	
	1 μM	20 μM
IP ₆	6.2	9.0
AMR1474	2.9	6.0
<i>scyllo</i> -IP ₅	4.7	7.3
IP ₅	5.3	11.9
HYG6	7.8	9.9
HYG7	12.6	14.5
HYG8	11.7	13.7
HYG14	15.2	16.5

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318 **Table S4. Displacement of His-PDK1₁₋₅₅₆ interaction with GST-PDK1₃₆₀₋₅₅₆ by inositol**
 319 **phosphates and derivatives in the absence or presence of PIFtide.**

Compound	PDK1 1-556 + PDK1 360-556			
			with PIFtide	
	IC50 (nM)	95% CI	IC50 (nM)	95% CI
IP ₆ *	-	-	-	-
AMR1474	458	225 to 934	159	12 to 2027
<i>scyllo</i> -IP ₅	124.2	28 to 545	140	69 to 282
IP ₅	67	28.3 to 158.6	59.4	44.6 to 79.1
HYG6	27	18 to 41	17.9	13.2 to 24.4
HYG7	22.6	20 to 25.7	22.7	18.9 to 27.3
HYG8	33.3	23.9 to 46.5	19.5	10.3 to 36.9
HYG14	29.6	24.7 to 35.4	29.4	16.2 to 53.3

320 * Does not reach complete displacement.

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322 **Table S5. Structural parameters and molecular mass determination obtained from**
 323 **Batch-SAXS**

	Apo PDK 1 CD	Apo PDK1 FL	PDK1 FL + HYG8
	BATCH-SAXS		
Rg from Guinier (nm)	2.36 (± 0.01)	4.26 (± 0.04)	3.75 (± 0.02)
Dmax from P(r) (nm)	7.0 (± 0.3)	14.0 (± 0.2)	12.5 (± 0.4)
Porod Volume Vp (nm³)	60.5	123.2	103.3
MW from Porod (kDa) (MW ~ Vp / 1.6)	38	77	65
MW Vc (kDa)	32 (± 4)	88 (± 8)	53 (± 5)
MW Bayesian (kDa)	32 (31-34; 96%)	94 (90-99; 96%)	53 (53-60; 96%)

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325 **Table S6. Data collection and refinement statistics for crystallography**

PDK1-CD-Valsartan

Data collection

Wavelength (Å)	0.9801
Crystal-to-detector distance (mm)	116.54
Rotation range per image (°)	0.1
No. of frames	3600
Exposure time per image (s)	0.025

Indexing and scaling

Space group	C2
Cell dimensions	
<i>a</i> , <i>b</i> , <i>c</i> (Å)	148.51, 44.59, 48.21
α , β , γ (°)	90, 101.32, 90
Resolution (Å)	36.51 – 1.31 (1.39 – 1.31)*
Mosaicity (°)	0.100
<i>R</i> _{meas}	0.055 (1.306)
CC _{1/2} (%)	99.9 (74.4)
<i>I</i> / σ (<i>I</i>)	15.9 (1.0)
Completeness (%)	99.4 (97.4)
Redundancy	6.7 (6.6)
Solvent content (%)	45
Overall <i>B</i> -factor from Wilson plot (Å ²)	25

Refinement

No. of reflections	73419
<i>R</i> _{work} / <i>R</i> _{free}	0.199 / 0.224
No. of atoms	
Protein	2354
Ligand/ion	110
Water	133
<i>B</i> -factors (Å ²)	
Protein	24
Ligand/ion	39
Water	29
Overall	25
R.m.s deviations (101)	
Bond lengths (Å)	0.009
Bond angles (°)	1.11
MolProbity validation (102)	
Clashscore	4.54
MolProbity Score	1.25
<i>Ramachandran plot</i>	
Favored (%)	97.9
Allowed (%)	2.1
Disallowed (%)	-
Protein Data Bank deposition	
PDB code	8DQT

326 *Values in parentheses are for the highest-resolution shell.