

Figure S1. Biochemical behaviour of *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD constructs. (A) Effect of pH on *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD ATPase rate, with PIPES used for pH 6.8, HEPES for pH 7.2 and 7.6, and Tris-HCl for pH 8.0. $n = 3$ (technical replicates). The mean and 95 % confidence interval are plotted. A constant of 200 μM MTs was used. (B) As in (A), for the effect of KCl concentration on *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD ATPase activity. (C) Example kymographs from *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD-SNAP mediated MT gliding experiments, annotated with measured velocities. 0.0859 $\mu\text{m}/\text{pixel}$, and 0.57 s/pixel . (D) Raw data from *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD-SNAP single molecule MT binding experiments, with different nucleotide treatments (NN = no nucleotide). On the left, the MT reference image is shown, and on the right is an example single frame from the corresponding *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD-SNAP movie. 0.0859 $\mu\text{m}/\text{pixel}$.

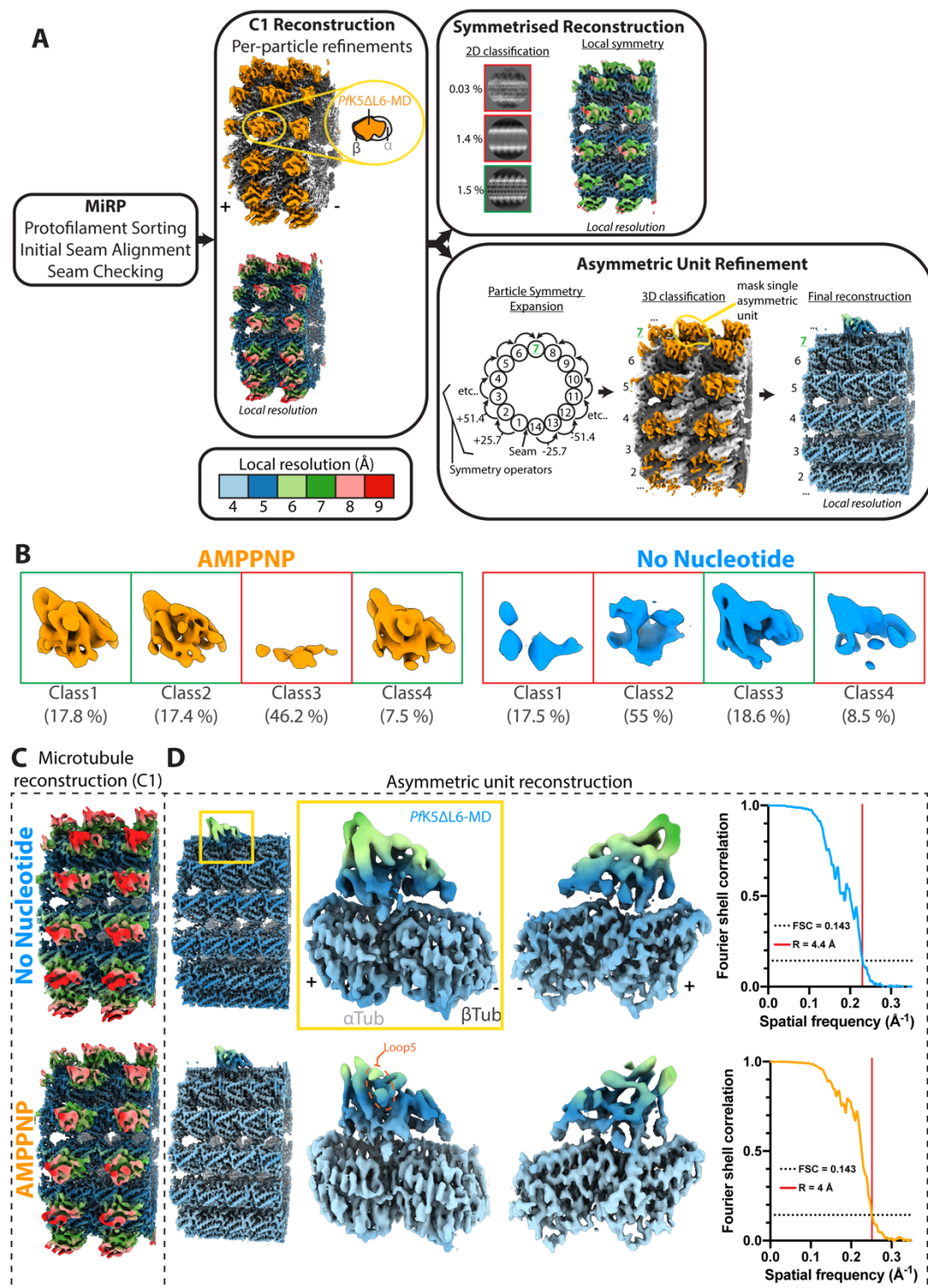


Figure S2. Cryo-EM 3D reconstruction and molecule modelling of *Pfk5ΔL6-MD* no nucleotide and AMPPNP states. (A) Overview of the 3D image processing strategy employed, with reconstructions of the *Pfk5ΔL6-MD* AMPPNP for each step shown, and coloured by local resolution. Firstly, alignment of asymmetric 14 protofilament MTs is achieved with MiRP steps. Then, a high resolution alignment and reconstruction is performed without applying symmetry, and per-particle CTF and motion correction is performed. A symmetrised reconstruction using local symmetry in RELION can then be created, and improved using 2D classification to select for optimal particles. Example 2D

classes are displayed in green or red boxes which indicate classes that were selected or discarded respectively. To improve decay in *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD resolution, an asymmetric unit refinement step is performed where symmetry expansion and 3D classification are used to obtain a more homogeneous subset of *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD motors. MT protofilament numbers are labelled 1-14, with protofilament 7 highlighted in green to indicate the location of classification mask. (B) 3D class averages from the *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD focussed classification step in asymmetric unit refinement. The red and green boxes indicate classes that were discarded or selected respectively. (C) C1 (unsymmetrised) *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD/microtubule reconstructions for the *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD no nucleotide and AMPPNP states, coloured according to the local resolution scheme in (A). (D) *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD no nucleotide and AMPPNP state structures after asymmetric unit refinement. Surface colouring is according to the local resolution scheme in (A). On the left, the central portion of the *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD/microtubule reconstructions, with *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD enriched at one site. In the middle, the *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD/ $\alpha\beta$ -tubulin asymmetric unit extracted from the microtubule reconstruction on the left. On the right, Fourier shell correlation (FSC) calculated from independently refined data halves, used to calculate overall resolution (R). FSC was calculated using a solvent mask.

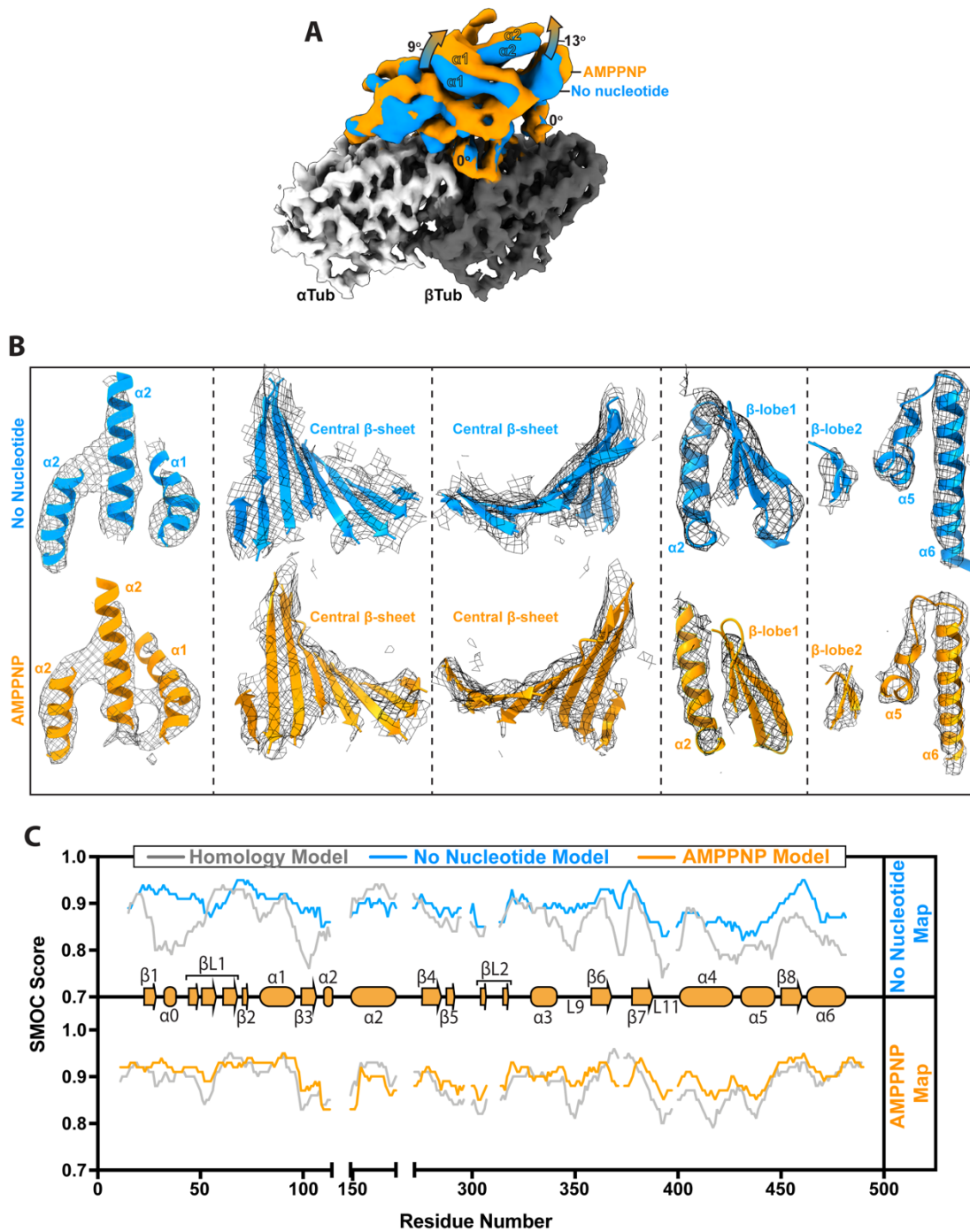


Figure S3. Secondary structure conformations of the *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD no nucleotide and AMPPNP states. (A) Alignment of the no nucleotide and AMPPNP state cryo-EM maps on $\alpha\beta$ -tubulin, showing that conformational changes between the no nucleotide and AMPPNP state can be observed in the cryo-EM maps. (B) The fit to density of the models for various *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD secondary structure elements, showing that α -helices and β -sheets are well resolved. (C) Per-residue TEMPy SMOC scores^{84,85} for the no nucleotide and AMPPNP state models, that indicate the fit of the model to cryo-EM maps. The SMOC score for the homology model is also shown, to demonstrate how the flexible fitting process has improved the models fit to density.

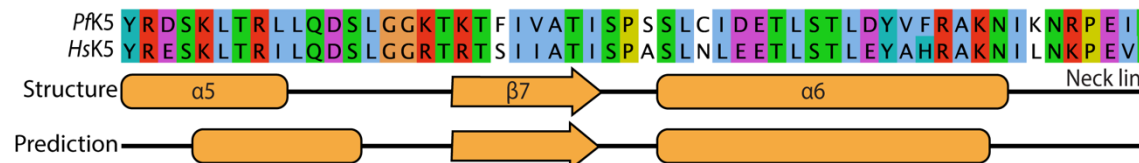
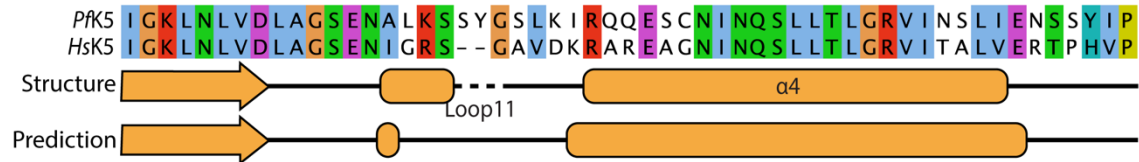
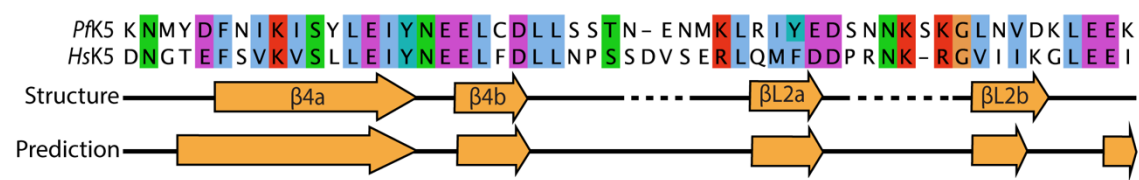
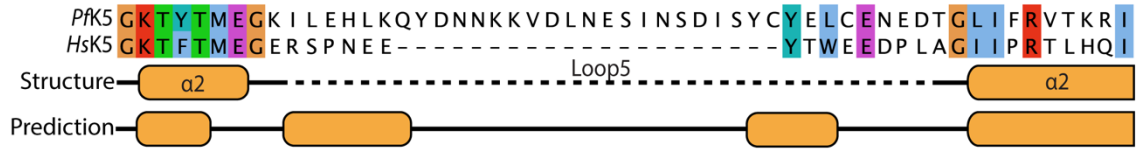
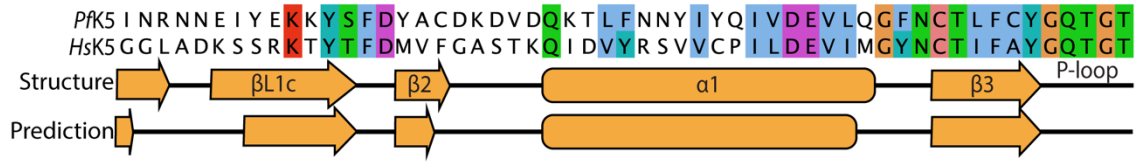
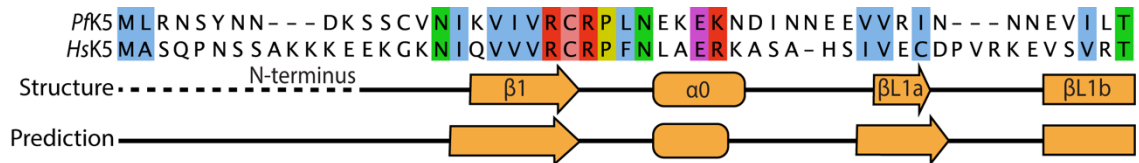


Figure S4. Primary sequence alignment of *Pfk5* and *Hsk5*. Coloured by the ClustalX scheme. Secondary structure elements corresponding to the *Pfk5* Δ L6-MD AMPPNP structure are shown, in addition to secondary structure prediction for *Pfk5*.

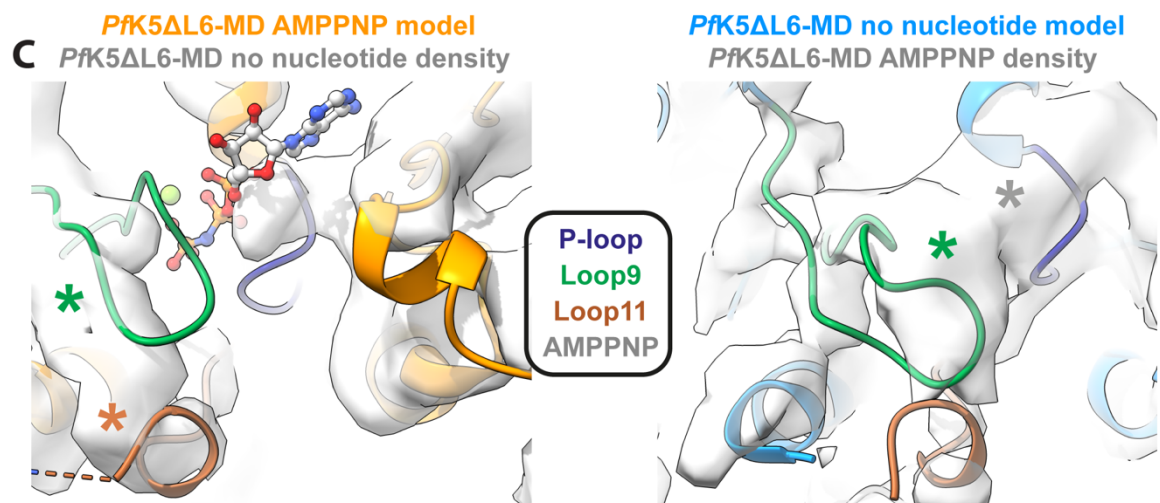
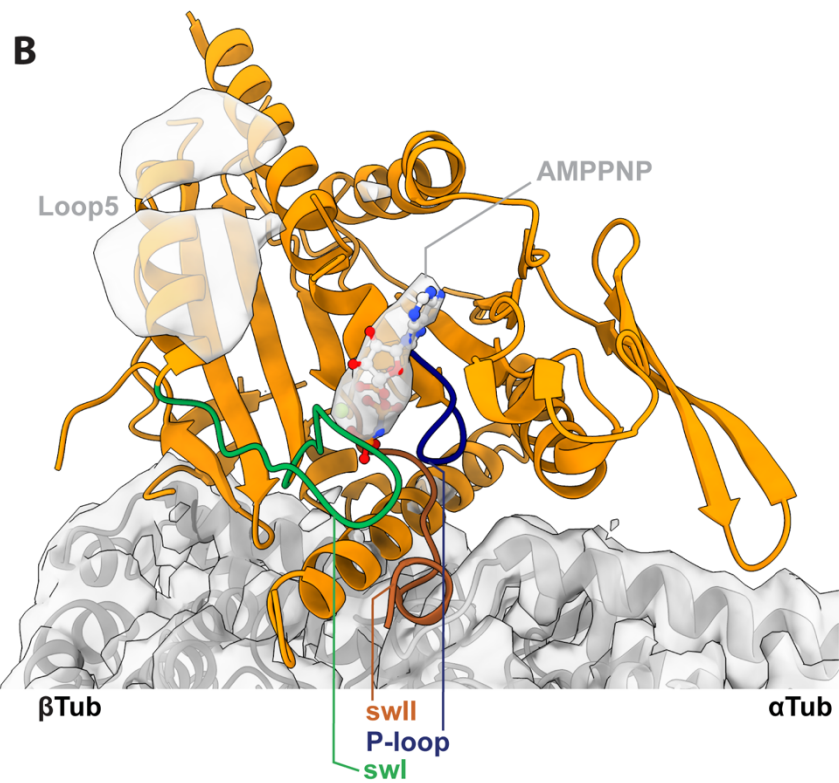
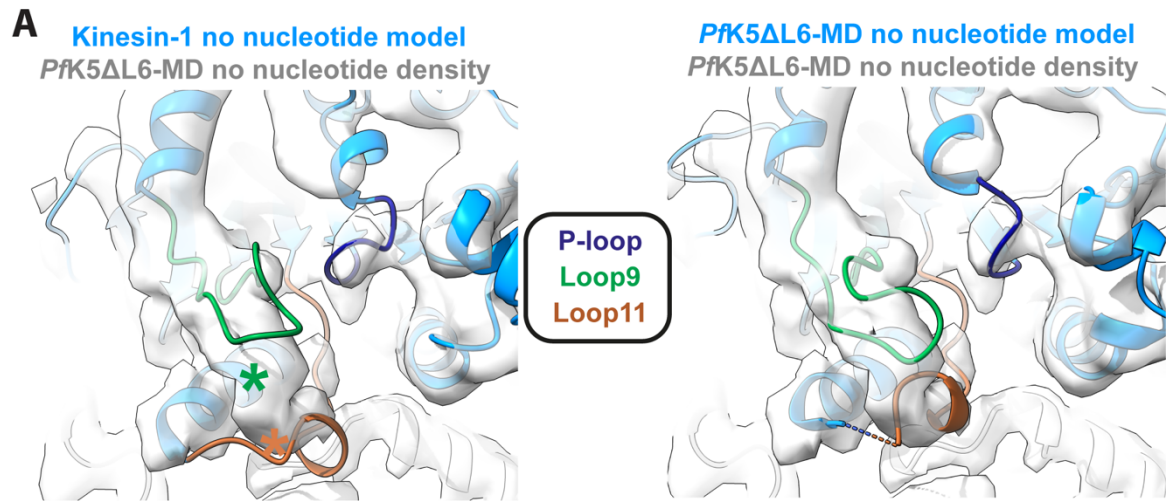


Figure S5. *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD nucleotide binding site. (A) To highlight differences between *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD no nucleotide switch loop structure and previous kinesin motor domain structures, the left panel shows a no nucleotide kinesin-1 cryo-EM structure (blue; PDB ID: 3J8X) rigid-body fitted into *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD no nucleotide density (grey), demonstrating that the kinesin-1 switch loops are a poor fit (indicated using coloured *). This is compared to the *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD no nucleotide model in the right panel. (B) To illustrate cryo-EM density corresponding to AMPPNP, synthetic density corresponding to the protein components of the *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD model – i.e. without AMPPNP - was calculated at 6 Å and was subtracted from *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD AMPPNP state cryo-EM reconstruction. The resulting difference density corresponds to the bound nucleotide (modelled as AMPPNP given the sample preparation conditions), αβ-tubulin, and loop5, which was not included in the model. (C) To highlight structural differences in the nucleotide binding site between the *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD no nucleotide and AMPPNP states, in the left panel the *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD AMPPNP state model (orange) is rigid body fitted to no nucleotide state density (grey), showing a poor fit to density (indicated using coloured *). In the right panel, the *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD no nucleotide state model (blue) is rigid-body fitted to *Pfk5ΔL6*-MD AMPPNP state density (grey).

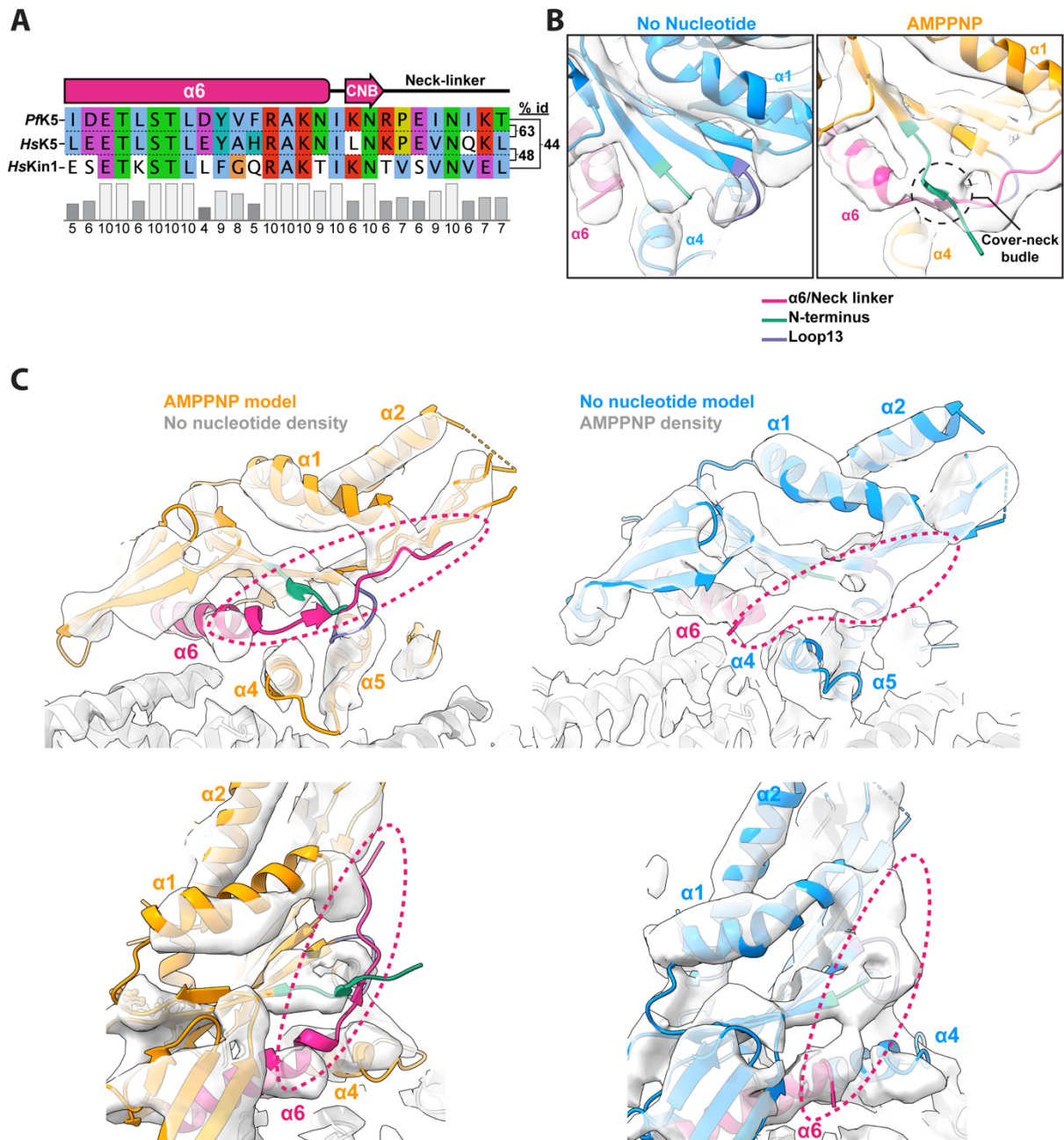
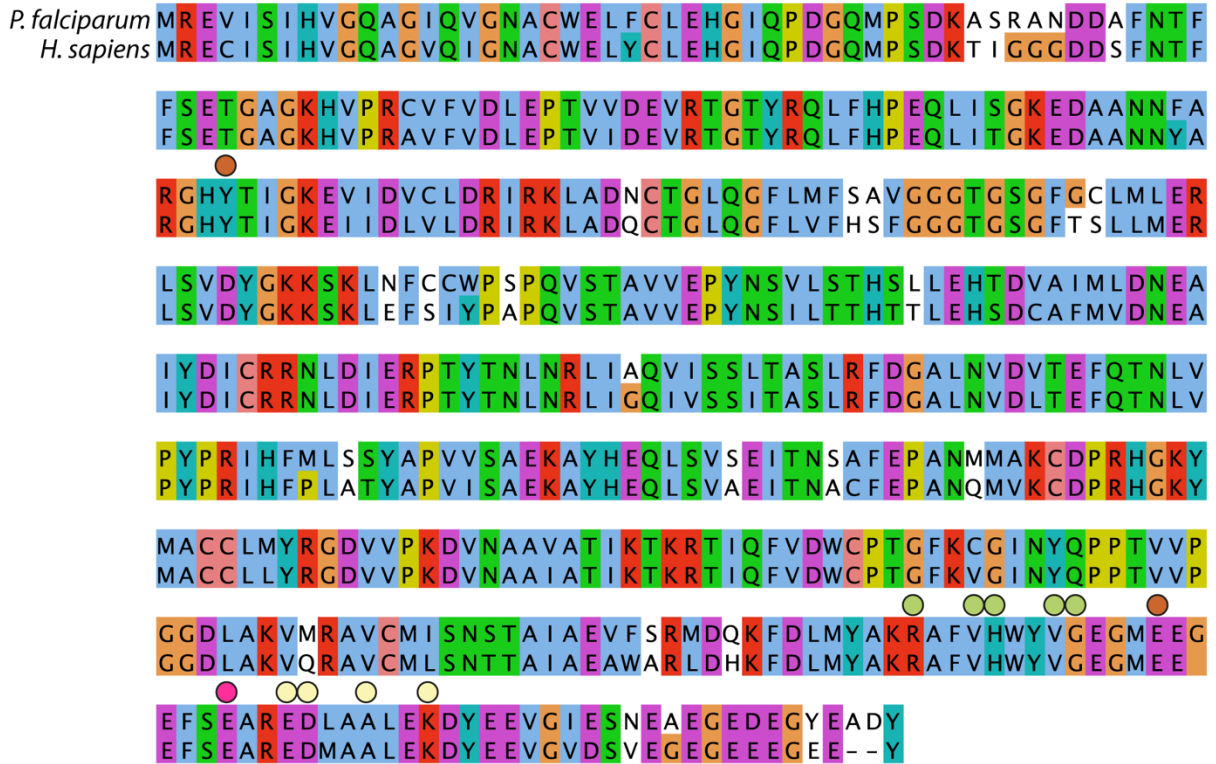
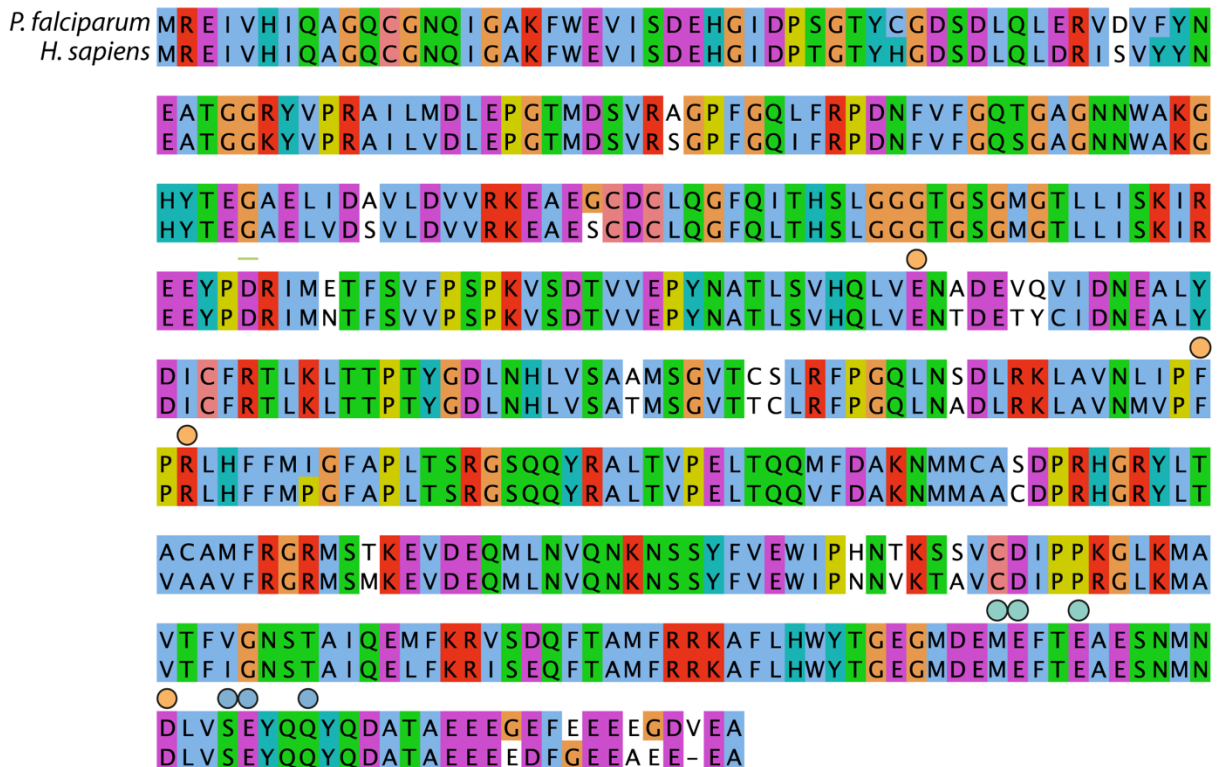


Figure S6. *Pfk5* Δ L6-MD cover-neck bundle and neck linker formation. (A) Sequence alignment of helix α 6 and the neck-linker, with conservation score from Jalview below. % sequence identity between the different kinesins is noted on the right. (B) View of the *Pfk5* Δ L6-MD no nucleotide and AMPPNP reconstructions showing increased density for the N-terminus in the AMPPNP state, supporting cover neck bundle formation. (C) Demonstration of the presence of neck linker density in the *Pfk5* Δ L6-MD AMPPNP state, and its absence in the no nucleotide state. In the top and bottom left panels, the *Pfk5* Δ L6-MD AMPPNP state model (orange) is shown rigid-body fitted into *Pfk5* Δ L6-MD no nucleotide density (light grey). The *Pfk5* Δ L6-MD model was fitted into density independently of α/β -tubulin. In the top and bottom right panels the *Pfk5* Δ L6-MD no nucleotide state model (blue) is shown rigid-body fitted into *Pfk5* Δ L6-MD AMPPNP state density, with a pink dotted line demonstrating empty density for the neck linker, that is not accounted for by the no nucleotide state model.

α-tubulin



β-tubulin



β-lobe-2 Helixa5 Loop12 Helixa4 Loop11 Helixa6 β-lobe-1/loop2

Figure S7. Sequence conservation between *P. falciparum* and *H. sapiens* $\alpha\beta$ -tubulin. *P. falciparum* α 1-tubulin (Uniprot ID: P14642) and β -tubulin (P14643), and *H. sapiens* α -tubulin (Uniprot ID: Q71U36) and β -tubulin (P07437), were aligned in with MAFFT⁶⁶ using the L-INS-I method, and visualised in Jalview⁸⁸. Black lines indicate the sections of tubulin that contribute to the kinesin binding site.

Kinesin motor domain secondary structure elements	Subdomain	Change In angle between no nucleotide and ATP-like states (°)
$\alpha 0$	P-loop	9
$\alpha 1$	P-loop	9
$\alpha 2$	switch-I/II	13
$\alpha 3$	switch-I/II	15
$\alpha 4$	MT binding	1
$\alpha 5$	MT binding	0
$\alpha 6$	P-loop	13

Table S1. Comparative rotation of *PfK5ΔL6*-MD helices between the no nucleotide and AMPPNP states.

α -tubulin residue	β -tubulin residue	<i>PfK5ΔL6</i> -MD (no nucleotide)	<i>PfK5ΔL6</i> -MD (AMPPNP)	<i>PfK5ΔL6</i> -MD secondary structure element
Glu423		Arg52	Arg52	β lobe-1/loop2
Asp424			Asn53	
Lys430			Glu55	
Glu423		Lys59	Lys59	
	Met406		Arg303	β Lobe-2
	Glu407		Arg303	
	Glu410		Arg303	
	Met406		Tyr305	
	Glu410	Tyr305	Tyr305	
	Met406	Glu306		
	Glu410	Glu306		
Glu414			Ser390	Loop11
Glu414		Asn392		
Tyr108			Leu394	
	Asp161	Lys402	Lys402	Helix α 4/loop12
Gly410		Gln405		
Gly410			Cys409	
Val409		Asn412	Asn412	
Gly410		Gln413	Gln413	
Val405		Leu416		
Val409		Leu416		
His406		Leu416	Leu416	
Glu415			Leu416	
Lys401		Glu427		
	Gln424		Ser430	
	Asp417	Tyr431	Tyr431	
	Ser420		Tyr431	
	Glu421		Tyr431	
	Gln424		Tyr431	
	Glu421	Ile432		Helix α 5

	Asp417	Arg435	Arg435	
	Arg262	Arg435		
	Phe260		Asp436	
	Arg262	Asp436	Asp436	
	Glu194		Lys438	
	Glu410	Arg441		
	Asp417		Arg441	
Glu420			Asp467	Helix α 5
Glu414		Ser471		
Ser419		Asp474		
Tyr399		Arg478		
Arg402		Arg478		
Ser419		Arg478		

Table S2. Residue-residue contacts between the *Pfk5 Δ L6*-MD no nucleotide and AMPPNP states, and $\alpha\beta$ -tubulin. Residues within contact distance were detected in Chimera.

Parameter	PF Sorting	Initial Seam Alignment				Seam Check
		Global Search	Local Search	Rot Refine	X/Y Refine	
Offset range	15	15	15	15	4	-
Offset step	1	1	1	1	0.5	
Angular sampling	1.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	
Sigma Rot	0	0	18	3	3	
Iterations	1	1	1	10	10	1
MiRP pre-run	-	Reset R, X, Y*	Reset X, Y	Reset X, Y	-	-
MiRP post-run	Vote on PF Number	Vote on Rot	Vote on Rot	Vote on X/Y shifts	-	Vote on seam position

Table S3. MiRP Alignment parameters. * R.= Rot angle, X = X-shift, Y = Y-shift.

Start	End	Restraint
151	172	α -helix
O1B (AMPPNP)	NZ Lys106	distance (2.7 Å)
O1G (AMPPNP)	NZ Lys106	distance (2.4 Å)
CA	NZ Lys106	distance (5.8 Å)
OE1 Glu391	NH2 Arg355	distance (2.5 Å)
OE2 Glu391	NH1 Arg355	distance (4 Å)
OD1 Asn412	N Glu391	distance (2.9 Å)
ND2 Asn412	O Glu391	distance (2.8 Å)

Table S4. Restraints used in *Pfk5 Δ L6*-MD homology model generation