

**Supplementary Figure 1: CIP2A and B56α interaction is preserved under XL-MS suitable conditions.** (A) Coomassie staining of the proteins used in XL-MS experiments. Coomassie stain of the protein preparations used in the binding assay was done once. (B) B56α and CIP2A were used in in vitro binding assay with 10 pmol purified recombinant protein, incubated with or without CHAPS detergent in the reaction buffer. The complexes were analyzed using Western blotting. Reaction was done in N=2 biological repeats. Red star indicates B56a signal from previous blotting. Source data are provided as a Source Data file. (C) Chemical structures of DSS (disuccinmidyl suberate) DMTMM (4-(4,6-dimethoxy-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl)-4-methyl-morpholinium chloride).

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**Supplementary Figure 2: Visualization of intra- and inter-molecular cross-linking on CIP2A)1-560) and B56**α. (A) Data visualization for intra-molecular cross-links with CIP2A alone (purple lanes) using DSS, at 100 and 500 μM, and DMTMM. Increasing cross-linker concentration does not induce novel cross-links in the regions where they would not be present when using lower concentration of the cross-linking reagent. (B) Data visualization for CIP2A-B56α complex, with the same linker conditions like in A. Presence of B56α reduces conformational flexibility of CIP2A, as visible from fewer intra-molecular CIP2A contacts. In both panels, purple lines represent intra-molecular cross-links, green lines are inter-molecular cross-links, and in red are residues (lysine or glutamate) directly involved in the cross-links.



DMTMM-reactive Asp/Glu mapped on CIP2A



DSS-reactive Lys mapped on  $\text{B56}\alpha$ 







DMTMM-reactive Asp/Glu mapped on B56 $\alpha$ 



Supplementary Figure 3: Mapping distribution of amino acids reactive against cross-linking reagents, DSS and DMTMM, on the surface of CIP2A and B56. (A) CIP2A monomers are shown in green and blue. Lys are mapped in purple and Asp/ Glu in blue. (B) Representation for B56, with the same coloring legend as in (A). Red circles indicate aminoacids identified in actual CIP2A-B56 cross-links by XL-MS.

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Supplementary	Figure	4:	Head	domain	of	CIP2A	interacts	with	PP2A-B56	and	is	conserved	across	species.
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(A) GST-pulldown experiment demonstating direct interaction between the N-terminal CIP2(4-85) fragment and B56a. Representative image from N=4 experiments is shown. Quantification shows mean + S.E.M. from N=4 biological repeats and was done using GraphPad Prism. Two-sided t-test; \*\* p < 0.01. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.

(B) Sequence conservation of CIP2A head domain across species.



Supplementary Figure 5: Head domain of CIP2A modulate CIP2A protein expression in cancer cells. (A) Mutations in the N-terminal head domain of CIP2A modulate its protein stability in cell. Representative blots for the data shown in Fig. 2B are shown. (B) GST pulldown assay with CIP2A 1-560 WT (WT) or K21A mutant (K21A) with recombinant B56 $\gamma$  protein. (C) Quantification for panel B. B56 $\gamma$  signal was normalized to corresponding GST signal from the same pulldown sample. (D) K647A or A24E mutations rescues destabilizing effect of K8A mutation. Representative image from n=3 experiments is shown. (E) Quantification for panel D. Shown is mean + S.E.M. (A-E) Source data are provided as a Source Data file







## Supplementary Figure 7: CIP2A directly interacts with the catalytic PP2Ac subunit.

(A) GST pull-down assay comparing direct PP2A-A (A) subunit interaction between recombinant GST only or GST-CIP2A(1-560).

(B) Coomassie staining of indicated bacterially produced recombinant proteins PP2A-A (PR65), PP2A-C, and B56 $\alpha$ .

(C) GST pull-down assay comparing direct PP2Ac interaction between recombinant GST only or GST-CIP2A(1-560). N=3 biological repeats (shown in the source data file). (A and C): Molecular size markers unavailable.





**Supplementary Figure 8:** (A) Electrostatic charge representation of B56a indicating two regions important for interaction with LxxIxE motif containing substrate proteins: The peptide binding groove (filled with LxxIxE peptide) and acidic patch strengthening the substrate binding to B56a. CIP2A-B56a crosslinks are indicated by black numbers. Both the LxxIxE peptide binding groove and the acidic patch are sandwiched between the CIP2A interaction sites on B56a explaining how CIP2A effectively mutes substrate binding of B56a.

B) GST-pulldown assay of direct protein interaction between GST-CIP2A (1-560) and with wildtype B56a or B56a triple mutant K181A, K217A and K227A. Representative image of three independent biological replicates is shown. Quantification is shown and mean + S.E.M, N=3.

C) GFP-tagged B56a wild-type (WT) or triple mutant was expressed in HEK293T cells. The amount of bound C subunit to GFP-tagged B56a upon GFP trap was quantified by anti-C immunoblotting. Shown is the mean value of the ratios of the quantified anti-C signal versus the quantified anti-GFP signal, relative to the WT B56a (set at 100% in each experiment), as determined in n= 2 independent experiments. Associated phosphatase activity of B56a, measured on a nonspecific PP2A substrate. Specific PP2A activities were calculated by correcting the measured activities for the pulled B56a, determined by anti-GFP immunoblotting. Results represent the mean value + S.E.M of the pulled activity of B56a WT or triple mutant, relative to the pulled activity of B56a WT (set at 100% in each experiment), as determined in n= 2 (pull-down) or n=3 (PP2A activity) independent biological repeats. A two-sided one-sample t-test (compared with 100%) was used to assess statistical significance for PP2A activity difference (\*p < 0.0277). D) Western blot analysis of PP2A-A in NIH-3T3 control cells and in CIP2A(1-905) V5 stable cells (B,C,and D) Source data are provided as a Source Data file.

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