

# 1      **Disease related mutations in PI3K $\gamma$ disrupt regulatory C-**

## 2      **terminal dynamics and reveals a path to selective inhibitors**

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23 **Abstract**

24 Class I Phosphoinositide 3-kinases (PI3Ks) are master regulators of cellular  
25 functions, with the p110 $\gamma$  subunit playing a key role in immune signalling. PI3K $\gamma$  is a key  
26 factor in inflammatory diseases, and has been identified as a therapeutic target for  
27 cancers due to its immunomodulatory role. Using a combined biochemical/biophysical  
28 approach, we have revealed insight into regulation of kinase activity, specifically defining  
29 how immunodeficiency and oncogenic mutations of R1021 in the c-terminus can  
30 inactivate or activate enzyme activity. Screening of small molecule inhibitors using HDX-  
31 MS revealed that activation loop binding inhibitors induce allosteric conformational  
32 changes that mimic those seen for the R1021C mutant. Structural analysis of clinically  
33 advanced PI3K inhibitors revealed novel binding pockets that can be exploited for further  
34 therapeutic development. Overall this work provides unique insight into the regulatory  
35 mechanisms that control PI3K $\gamma$  kinase activity, and shows a framework for the design of  
36 PI3K isoform and mutant selective inhibitors.

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38 **Introduction**

39 The phosphoinositide 3-kinase (PI3K) family of enzymes are central regulators of  
40 growth, proliferation, migration, and metabolism in a plethora of cells and tissues [1,2].  
41 PI3Ks are lipid kinases that generate the lipid second messenger phosphatidylinositol  
42 3,4,5 trisphosphate (PIP<sub>3</sub>), which is utilised downstream of cell surface receptors to  
43 regulate growth, metabolism, survival, and differentiation [1]. PIP<sub>3</sub>, is generated by four  
44 distinct class I PI3K catalytic isoforms separated into two groups (class IA [p110 $\alpha$ , p110 $\beta$ ,

45 p110 $\delta$ ], and class IB [p110 $\gamma$ ] (sometimes referred to as PI3K $\alpha$ , PI3K $\beta$ , PI3K $\delta$ , and PI3K $\gamma$   
46 catalytic subunit)). The primary difference between class IA and class IB PI3Ks is their  
47 association with specific regulatory subunits, with class IA binding p85-like regulatory  
48 subunits encoded by *PIK3R1*, *PIK3R2*, *PIK3R3*, and PI3K $\gamma$  forming complexes with either  
49 a p101 or p84 (also called p87<sup>PIKAP</sup>) adaptor subunit [3-5]. The four isoforms of class I  
50 PI3K have distinct expression profiles, with PI3K $\alpha$  and PI3K $\beta$  being ubiquitously  
51 expressed, and PI3K $\delta$  and PI3K $\gamma$  being mainly localised in immune cells [1]. All PI3K  
52 isoforms have been implicated in a variety of human diseases, including cancer,  
53 immunodeficiencies, inflammation, and developmental disorders [6-8].

54 The class IB PI3K $\gamma$  isoform encoded by *PIK3CG* is a master regulator of immune  
55 cell function. It plays important roles in the regulation of myeloid (macrophages, mast  
56 cells, neutrophils) and lymphoid (T cells, B cells, and Natural Killer cells) derived immune  
57 cells [9-11]. PI3K $\gamma$  regulates immune cell chemotaxis [11-13], cytokine release [14,15],  
58 and generation of reactive oxygen species[11], which are important processes in both the  
59 innate and adaptive immune systems. The ability of PI3K $\gamma$  to mediate multiple immune  
60 cell functions is controlled by its activation downstream of numerous cell surface  
61 receptors, including G-protein coupled receptors (GPCRs)[16], the IgE/Antigen  
62 receptor[14], receptor tyrosine kinases (RTKs) [17], and the Toll-like receptors (TLRs)  
63 [18,19]. Activation of PI3K $\gamma$  downstream of these stimuli are potentiated by their p84 and  
64 p101 regulatory subunits [5,18,20-22]. This is distinct from the roles of regulatory subunits  
65 in class IA PI3Ks, which act as potent inhibitors of p110 catalytic activity[23]. In mouse  
66 models, loss of PI3K $\gamma$  either genetically or pharmacologically is protective in multiple

67 inflammatory diseases including cardiovascular disease [10], arthritis [9], Lupus [24],  
68 asthma [15], pulmonary inflammation and fibrosis [25,26], and metabolic syndrome [27].  
69 PI3K $\gamma$  is also a driver of pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma progression through  
70 immunomodulatory effects [28], and targeting PI3K $\gamma$  in the immune system in combination  
71 with checkpoint inhibitors has shown promise as an anti-cancer therapeutic [29,30].

72 Extensive biophysical and biochemical assays have identified many of the  
73 molecular mechanisms underlying PI3K $\gamma$  regulation. The enzyme is composed of five  
74 domains, a putative uncharacterized adaptor binding domain (ABD), a Ras binding  
75 domain (RBD), a C2 domain, a helical domain, and a bi-lobal lipid kinase domain [31] (Fig.  
76 1A). PI3K $\gamma$  activation is primarily mediated by G $\beta$  $\gamma$  subunits downstream of GPCR  
77 signalling, through a direct interaction of G $\beta$  $\gamma$  with the C2-helical linker of PI3K $\gamma$  [21].  
78 Activation of PI3K $\gamma$  by G $\beta$  $\gamma$  requires a secondary interaction between G $\beta$  $\gamma$  and regulatory  
79 subunits for physiologically relevant activation [4], with the free p110 $\gamma$  subunit in cells  
80 having no detectable activation downstream of GPCR activation [32]. In addition, PI3K $\gamma$   
81 activation can be facilitated by Ras GTPases interacting with the RBD [33], with the same  
82 interface putatively also mediating activation by Rab8 [19]. Experiments exploring a novel  
83 type II-like kinase inhibitor that targets an active conformation of PI3K $\gamma$  revealed novel  
84 molecular aspects of regulation involving the C-terminal regulatory motif of the kinase  
85 domain, which is composed of the  $\kappa\alpha$ 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 helices that surround the activation  
86 loop, and keep the enzyme in an inhibited state [34] (Fig. 1B). The  $\kappa\alpha$ 10,  $\kappa\alpha$ 11, and  $\kappa\alpha$ 12  
87 helices are sometimes referred to as the regulatory arch [35]. Inhibition mediated by the  
88 C-terminal regulatory motif is conserved through all class I PI3Ks, although for all other

89 isoforms, this inhibited conformation requires interactions with a p85 regulatory subunit  
90 (Fig. S1) [8]. In PI3K $\gamma$  this inhibited conformation is proposed to be maintained by a  
91 Tryptophan lock, where W1080 maintains a closed conformation of the membrane  
92 binding C-terminal  $\kappa$ 12 helix, leading to an inactive conformation of the activation loop  
93 [34] (Fig. 1B+C).

94 Disruption of PI3K signalling by either activating or inactivating mutations and  
95 deletions are involved in multiple human diseases. Overexpression of any activated class  
96 I PI3K isoform can lead to oncogenic transformation [36], although PI3K $\alpha$  is the most  
97 frequently mutated in human disease. Activating PI3K $\alpha$  mutations are linked to both  
98 cancer [37,38] and overgrowth disorders [39], with activating PI3K $\delta$  mutations linked to  
99 primary immuno-deficiencies [40-42]. A high proportion of these activating mutations  
100 cluster to the C-terminal regulatory motif of PI3Ks. Multiple PI3K $\gamma$  mutations have been  
101 identified in cancer patients [43-45], although at a lower frequency than PI3K $\alpha$  mutations.  
102 It would be expected that these mutations are activating, although this has not been fully  
103 explored. Intriguingly, PI3K $\gamma$  loss of function mutations in the C-terminal regulatory motif  
104 (R1021P, N1085S) have been identified in patients with immunodeficiencies [46,47] (Fig.  
105 1B+C). PI3K mediated diseases being caused by both activating and inactivating  
106 mutations, highlights the critical role of maintaining appropriate PIP<sub>3</sub> levels for human  
107 health.

108 The involvement of activated PI3K signalling in multiple diseases has motivated  
109 class I PI3K inhibitor development. There is, however, toxicity effects associated with  
110 compounds that target all PI3K isoforms by mechanism-based adverse side effects [48],

111 driving the development of isoform selective inhibitors. These efforts have led to multiple  
112 clinically approved inhibitors of PI3K $\alpha$  and PI3K $\delta$  [49-51]. The critical role of PI3K $\gamma$  in  
113 inflammation and the tumour microenvironment has stimulated development of PI3K $\gamma$   
114 specific inhibitors. Two main strategies for generating PI3K $\gamma$  selective ATP-competitive  
115 inhibitors have been established: i) targeting PI3K $\gamma$  specific regions outside of the ATP  
116 binding pocket to reach regions not conserved among PI3K isoforms [52,53], and ii)  
117 targeting selective PI3K $\gamma$  conformational changes [34]. Intriguingly, the conformational  
118 selective PI3K $\gamma$  inhibitors appear to target its putatively activated conformation.

119 The parallel discovery of disease linked mutations in the C-terminal regulatory  
120 motif, and conformational selective PI3K $\gamma$  inhibitors that cause altered dynamics of the C-  
121 terminus led us to investigate the underlying molecular mechanisms. Using a combined  
122 biochemical and biophysical approach, we characterized the dynamic conformational  
123 changes caused by the loss of function R1021P mutation, as well as a putative oncogenic  
124 R1021C mutation identified in Catalogue of Somatic Mutations in Cancer database  
125 [COSMIC [45]]. A screen of a number of PI3K $\gamma$  selective and pan-PI3K inhibitors revealed  
126 that many of these molecules induced allosteric conformational changes in PI3K $\gamma$ . A  
127 combined X-ray crystallography and hydrogen deuterium exchange mass spectrometry  
128 (HDX-MS) approach showed that inhibitor interactions with the activation loop mediates  
129 allosteric conformational changes. Intriguingly, similar conformational changes occurred  
130 for both the R1021C mutant and upon binding certain inhibitors, with lipid kinase assays  
131 revealing an increased potency of these inhibitors towards the activated PI3K mutant.

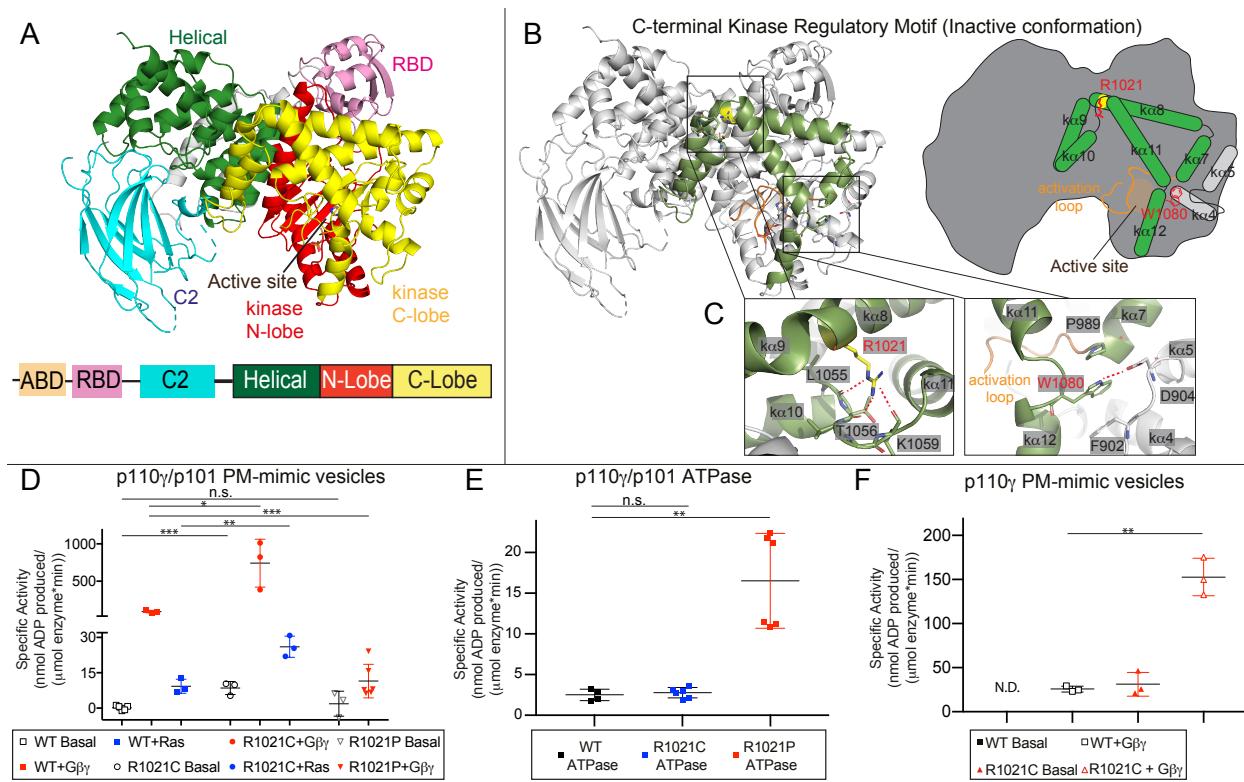
132 Overall, this work provides a unique insight into how mutations alter PI3K $\gamma$  regulation, and  
133 pave the way to novel strategies for isoform and mutant selective PI3K inhibitors.

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135 **Results**

136 *R1021P and R1021C mutations alter the activity of PI3K $\gamma$*

137 The recent discovery of an inactivating disease-linked mutation in *PIK3CG* located  
138 near the C-terminus of the kinase domain (R1021P) in immunocompromised patients led  
139 us to investigate the molecular mechanism of this mutation. Intriguingly, this same residue  
140 is found to be mutated in the COSMIC database (R1021C) [45]. To define the effect of  
141 these mutations on protein conformation and biochemical activity, we generated them  
142 recombinantly in complex with the p101 regulatory subunit. Both the p110 $\gamma$  R1021C and  
143 R1021P complexes with p101 eluted from gel filtration similar to wild-type p110 $\gamma$ ,  
144 suggesting they were properly folded (Fig. S2). However, the yield of the R1021P  
145 complex with p101 was dramatically decreased relative to both wild-type and R1021C  
146 p110 $\gamma$ , indicating that this mutation may decrease protein stability, consistent with  
147 decreased p110 $\gamma$  and p101 expression in patient tissues [46]. We also generated the free  
148 R1021C p110 $\gamma$  subunit, however we could not express free p110 $\gamma$  R1021P, further  
149 highlighting that this mutation likely leads to decreased protein stability.



164 **E.** Activity assays testing the intrinsic ATPase activity (ATP conversion in the absence of membrane  
165 substrate) for wild type and mutant p110 $\gamma$ /p101 complexes.

166 **F.** Lipid kinase activity assays testing the activity of WT and R1021C for the free p110 $\gamma$  catalytic subunit  
167 with and without lipidated G $\beta$  $\gamma$ . Lipid kinase activity was generated by subtracting away non-specific ATPase  
168 activity, for unstimulated WT p110 $\gamma$  there was no detectable lipid kinase activity above basal ATPase activity  
169 (N.D.). For panels D-F, every replicate is plotted, with error shown as standard deviation (n=3-6). Two tailed  
170 p-values represented by the symbols as follows: \*\*\*<0.001; \*\*<0.01; \*<0.05; N.S.>0.05.

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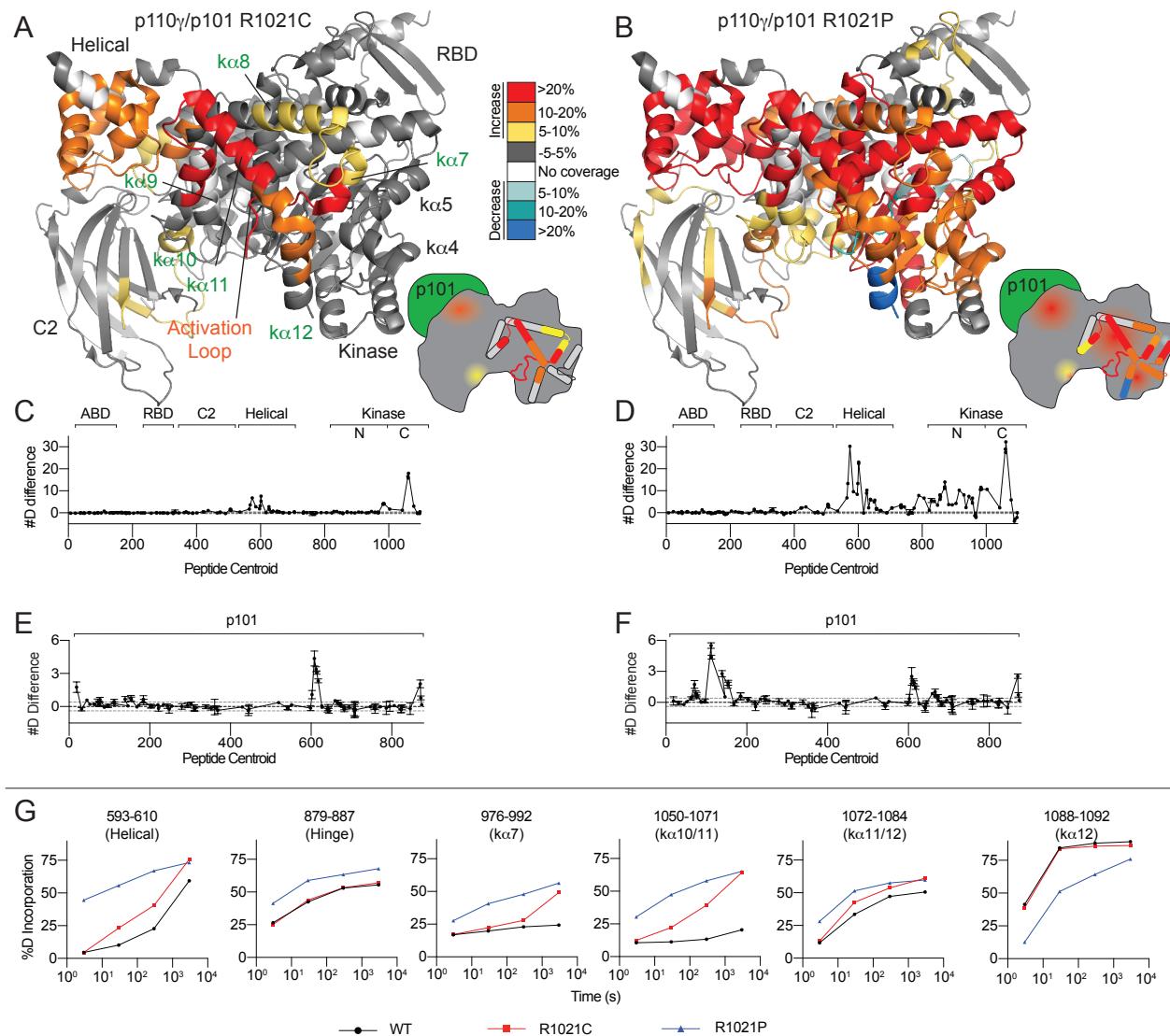
172 The R1021 residue forms hydrogen bonds with the carbonyl oxygens of L1055,  
173 T1056, and K1059 located in or adjacent to the regulatory arch helices  $\kappa\alpha$ 10 and  $\kappa\alpha$ 11 of  
174 PI3K $\gamma$  (Fig. 1C). Both R1021C and R1021P would be expected to disrupt these  
175 interactions, with the R1021P also expected to distort the secondary structure of the  $\kappa\alpha$ 8  
176 helix. The R1021P has been previously found to lead to greatly decreased lipid kinase  
177 activity *in vitro* [46]. To characterize these mutations, we carried out biochemical assays  
178 of wild-type, R1021C, and R1021P p110 $\gamma$ /p101 complexes against plasma membrane-  
179 mimic lipid vesicles containing 5% PIP<sub>2</sub>. Assays were carried out in the presence and  
180 absence of lipidated G $\beta$  $\gamma$  subunits, a potent p110 $\gamma$ /p101 activator. These assays revealed  
181 that p110 $\gamma$ /p101 R1021C was ~8-fold more active than wild-type both basally and in the  
182 presence of G $\beta$  $\gamma$  (Fig. 1D). The R1021P complex showed greatly decreased G $\beta$  $\gamma$   
183 stimulation compared to wild-type. Intriguingly, R1021P showed higher basal ATPase  
184 activity (non-productive turnover of ATP) compared to WT, revealing that it still has  
185 catalytic activity, but greatly decreased activity on lipid substrate (Fig. 1E). The R1021C

186 mutant also showed a ~8-fold increase in lipid kinase activity compared to wild-type when  
187 assaying the free 110 $\gamma$  subunit (Fig. 1F).

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189 *R1021P and R1021C cause allosteric conformational changes throughout the regulatory*  
190 *C-terminal motif*

191 We carried out hydrogen deuterium exchange mass spectrometry (HDX-MS)  
192 experiments to define the molecular basis for why two different mutations at the same site  
193 have opposing effects on lipid kinase activity. HDX-MS is a technique that measures the  
194 exchange rate of amide hydrogens, and as the rate is dependent on the presence and  
195 stability of secondary structure, it is an excellent probe of protein conformational dynamics  
196 [55]. HDX-MS experiments were performed on complexes of wild-type p110 $\gamma$ /p101,  
197 R1021C p110 $\gamma$ /p101, and R1021P p110 $\gamma$ /p101, as well as the free wild-type and R1021C  
198 p110 $\gamma$ . The coverage map of the p110 $\gamma$  and p101 proteins was composed of 153 peptides  
199 spanning ~93% percent of the exchangeable amides (Table S1).



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201 **Figure 2. R1021C and R1021P mutations in p110 $\gamma$  are destabilising, with R1021P leading to global**

202 destabilization and R1021C leading to localised disruption of the C-terminal regulatory W1080

203 Tryptophan 'lock'.

204 **A+B.** Peptides showing significant deuterium exchange differences (>5 %, >0.4 kDa and p<0.01 in an

205 unpaired two-tailed t-test) between wild-type and R1021C (A) and wild-type and R1021P (B) p110 $\gamma$ /p101

206 complexes are coloured on a model of p110 $\gamma$  (PDB: 6AUD)[54]. Differences in exchange are coloured

207 according to the legend.

208 **C+D.** The number of deuterium difference for the R1021C and R1021P mutants for all peptides analysed

209 over the entire deuterium exchange time course for p110 $\gamma$ . Every point represents the central residue of an

210 individual peptide. The domain location is noted above the primary sequence. A cartoon model of the p110 $\gamma$   
211 structural model is shown according to the legend in panels A+B. Error is shown as standard deviation  
212 (n=3).

213 **E+F.** The number of deuteron difference for the R1021C and R1021P mutants for all peptides analysed  
214 over the entire deuterium exchange time course for p101. Every point represents the central residue of an  
215 individual peptide. Error is shown as standard deviation (n=3).

216 **G.** Selected p110 $\gamma$  peptides that showed decreases and increases in exchange are shown. The full list of  
217 all peptides and their deuterium incorporation is shown in supplementary data 1.

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219 The R1021C and R1021P mutations led to significant changes in the  
220 conformational dynamics of the p110 $\gamma$  catalytic and p101 regulatory subunits (Fig. 2A-  
221 G). The R1021C mutation resulted in increased H/D exchange in the C2, helical and  
222 kinase domains of p110 $\gamma$ . Intriguingly, many of the changes in dynamics of the helical and  
223 kinase domains are similar to those observed upon membrane binding [21]. The largest  
224 differences occurred in the helices in the C-terminal regulatory motif (k $\alpha$ 7-12) (Fig. 2C).  
225 A peptide spanning the C-terminal end of the activation loop and k $\alpha$ 7 (976-992) showed  
226 increased exchange, with these changes primarily occurring at later timepoints of  
227 exchange (3000 s) (Fig. 2G). This is indicative of these regions maintaining secondary  
228 structure, although with increased flexibility. These increases in exchange for the R1021C  
229 mutant were conserved for the free p110 $\gamma$  subunit, although with larger increases in  
230 exchange compared to the p110 $\gamma$ /p101 complex (Fig. S3). Previous HDX-MS analysis of  
231 the regulatory mechanisms of class IA PI3Ks has revealed that increased dynamics of  
232 the activation loop occurs concurrently with increased lipid kinase activity [40,56-59]. This

233 highlights a potential molecular mechanism for how the R1021C mutation can lead to  
234 increased lipid kinase activity.

235 The R1021P mutation resulted in larger increases in exchange throughout almost  
236 the entire C2, helical, and kinase domains (Fig. 2D). Comparing the rates of hydrogen  
237 exchange between wild-type, R1021C, and R1021P showed many regions where  
238 R1021C and R1021P both caused increased exchange. However, for the majority of  
239 these regions the R1021P led to increased exchange at early (3 s) and late timepoints  
240 (3000 s) of exchange, indicative that this mutation was leading to significant disruption of  
241 protein secondary structure (Fig. 2G). This large-scale destabilization throughout the  
242 protein may explain the low yield and decreased kinase activity. The two mutations in  
243 R1021C and R1021P both caused increased exchange in the p101 subunit. Peptides  
244 spanning 602-623, and 865-877 of p101 showed similar increases in exchange for both  
245 R1021C and R1021P, with R1021P also leading to increased exchange in a peptide  
246 nearer the N-terminus (102-122) (Fig. 2E+F, S3). As there is no structural model for the  
247 p101 subunit, it is hard to unambiguously interpret this data, however, as these may  
248 represent increased exchange due to partial destabilization of the complex, our work  
249 provides initial insight into the p110 $\gamma$  contact site on p101.

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251 *Molecular dynamics of p110 $\gamma$  R1021C and R1021P mutants*

252 We carried out Gaussian-accelerated Molecular Dynamics (GaMD) simulations of  
253 wild-type p110 $\gamma$  and its R1021C and R1021P variants to provide additional insight into  
254 the underlying molecular mechanisms of how these mutations alter lipid kinase activity.

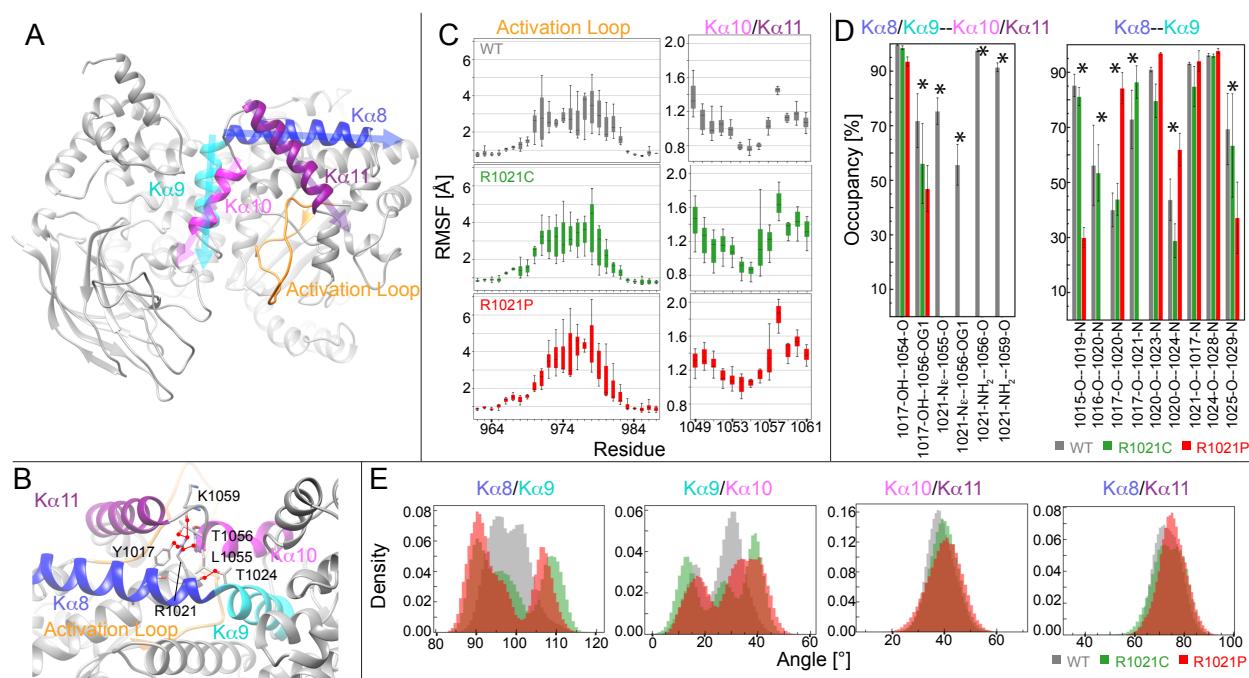
255 Using the crystallographic structure of p110 $\gamma$  lacking the N-terminus [amino acids 144-  
256 1102, PDB: 6AUD [54]], we generated the activation loop and other neighboring loops as  
257 described in the methods, removed the co-crystallized ligand, and mutated R1021 to a  
258 cysteine and proline, resulting in three systems: WT, R1021C, and R1021P. Three  
259 replicas of fully solvated all-atom GaMD simulations were run for each model with  
260 AMBER18 achieving a cumulative extensive sampling of ~3, ~4.1, and ~1.5  $\mu$ s for WT,  
261 R1021C, and R1021P, respectively (Fig. 3A+B).

262 To quantify the effect of mutations on the structural dynamics of p110 $\gamma$ , we  
263 calculated the root-mean-square-fluctuation (RMSF) of residues neighboring the mutation  
264 site. RMSF was calculated to determine average flexibility of each residue's C $\alpha$  and C $\beta$   
265 atoms around their mean position (Fig. 3C). This revealed increased fluctuations in the  
266 residues forming the loop between k $\alpha$ 10 and k $\alpha$ 11 in the mutated systems, specifically  
267 residues T1056, V1057, and G1058 at the C-terminus of k $\alpha$ 10. Many of these residues  
268 participate in hydrogen bonds with R1021 in WT (Fig. 3B).

269 Analysis of the simulations revealed that mutation of R1021 results in disruption of  
270 the hydrogen bonding network between R1021 and L1055, T1056, and K1059 in the  
271 k $\alpha$ 10-k $\alpha$ 11 region. There were also alterations in the intra and inter helix hydrogen bonds  
272 in k $\alpha$ 8, k $\alpha$ 9, k $\alpha$ 10, and k $\alpha$ 11 (Fig. 3D, S4). Hydrogen bonding occupancies between  
273 Y1017 and T1056 decreased from 71% in WT to 56% and 45% in the R1021C and  
274 R1021P systems, respectively. Examining the k $\alpha$ 8-k $\alpha$ 9 backbone hydrogen bonding at  
275 the site of mutation, both mutations showed a disruption between C/P1021 and T1024.  
276 Additionally, the proline mutation showed complete disruption of backbone hydrogen

277 bonds at A1016-L1020 and Y1017-P1021, decreased bonding occupancy at K1015-  
278 A1019 and N1025-I1029, and increased bonding occupancy of Y1017-L1020 and P1021-  
279 T1024. The notable increase in hydrogen bonding disruption in the R1021P compared to  
280 R1021C could be responsible for the increased destabilization observed by HDX-MS.

281 To obtain further insights into the dynamic behavior of the C-terminus of the kinase  
282 domain and how mutation of R1021 alters conformational dynamics, we monitored the  
283 fluctuations of four different angles formed between  $\kappa$ 8,  $\kappa$ 9,  $\kappa$ 10, and  $\kappa$ 11 (Fig. 3E).  
284 The simulations revealed increased angle fluctuations in the mutant simulations between  
285  $\kappa$ 8 and  $\kappa$ 9, and  $\kappa$ 9 and  $\kappa$ 10, with a bimodal distribution in the  $\kappa$ 8/ $\kappa$ 9 angle  
286 compared to WT. There was also increased fluctuations in the activation loop in the  
287 mutants compared to WT (Figure 3C, Fig. S4).



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289 **Figure 3. Molecular dynamics reveal that the R1021C and R1021P mutations show increased**  
290 **instability in p110 $\gamma$ .**

291 **A.** Model of p110 $\gamma$  showcasing the regulatory domain's  $\kappa\alpha 8$  (995-1023),  $\kappa\alpha 9$  (1024-1037),  $\kappa\alpha 10$  (1045-  
292 1054), and  $\kappa\alpha 11$  (1057-1078) helices, and the activation loop (962-988).

293 **B.** A zoomed-in snapshot of R1021 microenvironment showing residues in licorice. Hydrogen bonds with  
294 R1021 are drawn as red lines.

295 **C.** RMSF [ $\text{\AA}$ ] of each residue's  $\text{C}\alpha$  and  $\text{C}\beta$  atoms in the activation loop and the  $\kappa\alpha 10/\kappa\alpha 11$  helices,  
296 respectively. RMSF values for each atom across replicates are shown as a quantile plot, with error shown  
297 as standard deviation (n=3).

298 **D.** The mean and standard deviation of hydrogen bond occupancies between the indicated helices/sets of  
299 helices across replicates (n=3). Asterisks indicate significant differences in occupancies.

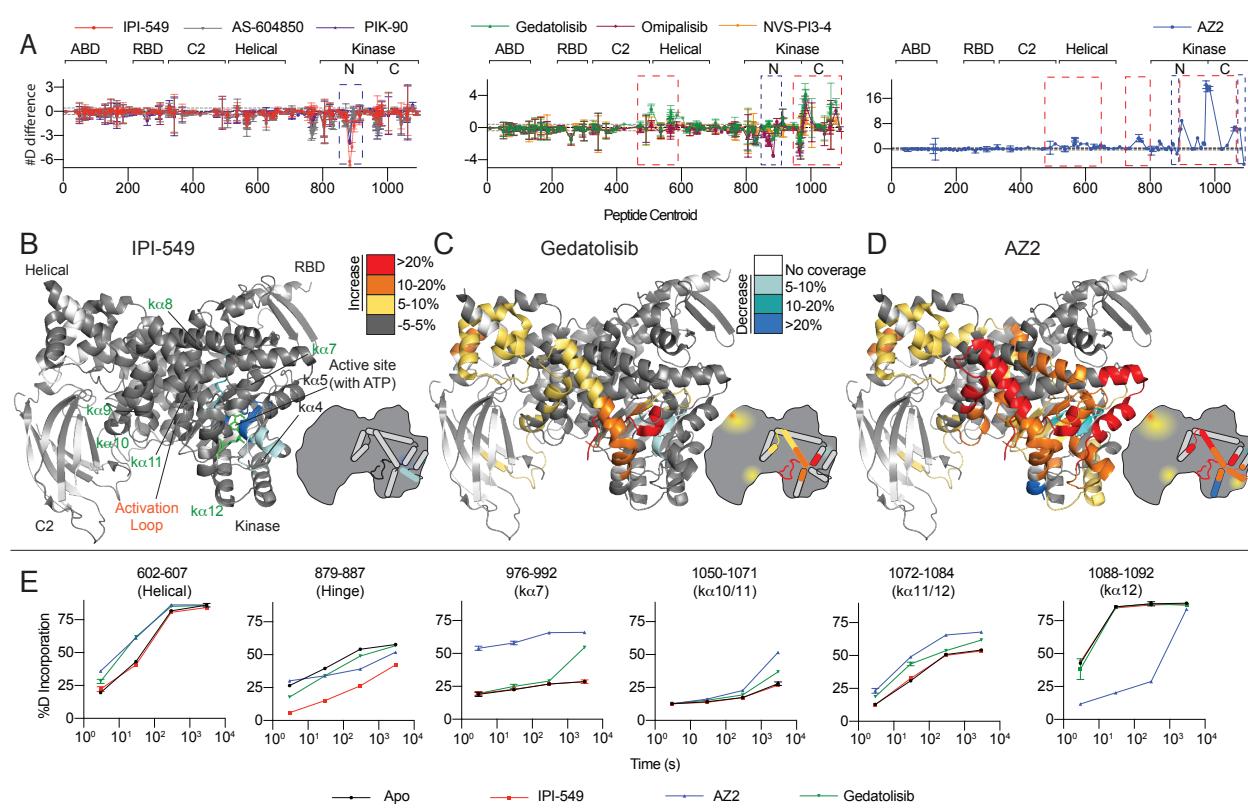
300 **E.** Inter-angle density distributions across all replicas between  $\kappa\alpha 8$ ,  $\kappa\alpha 9$ ,  $\kappa\alpha 10$ , and  $\kappa\alpha 11$ . In all panels, WT,  
301 R1021C, and R1021P are colored in grey, green, and red, respectively.

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303 *Multiple PI3K $\gamma$  inhibitors lead to allosteric conformational changes*

304 Many of the differences in conformational dynamics observed by HDX-MS for the  
305 p110 $\gamma$  mutants were similar to previously observed allosteric changes caused by  
306 cyclopropyl ethyl containing isoindolinone compounds [34]. We performed HDX-MS  
307 experiments with seven potent PI3K inhibitors on free p110 $\gamma$  to define the role of allosteric  
308 in PI3K $\gamma$  inhibition. We analysed inhibitors that were selective for PI3K $\gamma$  [AS-604850 [9],  
309 AZ2 [34], NVS-PI3-4 [15,60], and IPI-549 [53]] as well as pan-PI3K inhibitors [PIK90 [61],  
310 Omipalisib [62], and Gedatolisib [63]]. Of these compounds only AS-604850, PIK90, and  
311 Omipalisib have been structurally characterized bound to p110 $\gamma$ . A table summarizing  
312 these compounds and their selectivity for different PI3K isoforms is shown in **table S2**.  
313 Deuterium exchange experiments were carried out with monomeric p110 $\gamma$  over 4  
314 timepoints of deuterium exchange (3,30,300, and 3000 s). We obtained 180 peptides

315 covering ~89% percent of the exchangeable amides (Table S1). To verify that results on  
316 the free p110 $\gamma$  complex are relevant to the physiological p110 $\gamma$ /p101 complex, we also  
317 carried out experiments with the p110 $\gamma$ /p101 complex with Gedatolisib and IPI-549, with  
318 the free p110 $\gamma$  showing almost exactly the same differences as seen for the p110 $\gamma$ /p101  
319 complex (Fig. S5).



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321 **Figure 4. HDX-MS reveals that different classes of PI3K inhibitors lead to unique allosteric**  
322 **conformational changes.**

323 **A.** The number of deuteron difference for the 7 different inhibitors analysed over the entire deuterium  
324 exchange time course for p110 $\gamma$ . Every point represents the central residue of an individual peptide. The  
325 domain location is noted above the primary sequence. Error is shown as standard deviation (n=3).  
326 **B-D.** Peptides showing significant deuterium exchange differences (>5%, >0.4 kDa and p<0.01 in an  
327 unpaired two-tailed t-test) between wild-type and IPI-549 (B), Gedatolisib (C), and AZ2 (D) are coloured on

328 a model of p110 $\gamma$  (PDB: 6AUD). Differences in exchange are mapped according to the legend. A cartoon  
329 model in the same format as Fig. 1 is shown as a reference.

330 **E.** Selected p110 $\gamma$  peptides that showed decreases and increases in exchange are shown. The full list of  
331 all peptides and their deuterium incorporation is shown in supplementary data 1.

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333 Based on the H/D exchange differences observed with inhibitors present, we were  
334 able to classify the inhibitors into three broad groups. The first group contains the  
335 isoquinolinone compound IPI-549, the imidazo[1,2-c]quinazoline molecule PIK-90 and  
336 the thiazolidinedione compound AS-604850 (Fig. 4A+B). These compounds caused  
337 decreased exchange near the active site, with the primary region being protected being  
338 the hinge region between the N- and C- lobes of the kinase domain (Fig. 4B+E). No (IPI-  
339 549, AS-604850) or very small (PIK-90) increases in deuterium incorporation were  
340 observed (Fig. 4A, S6), suggesting that there are limited large scale allosteric  
341 conformational changes for these compounds.

342 The H/D exchange experiments revealed a second class of inhibitors that showed  
343 decreased exchange at the active site, but also significant increases in exchange in the  
344 kinase and helical domains (Fig. 4A+C, S6). The second group includes the bis-  
345 morpholinotriazine molecule Gedatolisib, difluoro-benzene sulfonamide compound  
346 Omipalisib and the PI3K $\gamma$ -specific thiazole derivative NVS-PI3-4. Binding of these  
347 inhibitors caused increased exchange in the helical domain, and multiple regions of the  
348 kinase regulatory motif, including  $\kappa\alpha 7$ ,  $\kappa\alpha 10$ ,  $\kappa\alpha 11$  and  $\kappa\alpha 12$ . The peptide covering  $\kappa\alpha 7$   
349 also spans the C-terminal end of the activation loop. Intriguingly, for the Gedatolisib  
350 molecule, the differences in H/D exchange matched very closely to those observed in the

351 R1021C mutant. This suggests that the conformational changes induced by these  
352 compounds mimic the partially activated state that occurs in the R1021C mutant.

353 Finally, AZ2 caused large scale increased exposure throughout large regions of  
354 the helical and kinase domains (Fig. 4A+D), consistent with previous reports [34]. The  
355 same regulatory motif regions that showed increased exchange with Gedatolisib showed  
356 much larger changes with AZ2. Importantly, increased exchange was observed at earlier  
357 timepoints for AZ2 compared to Gedatolisib (example peptide 976-992 covering the  
358 activation loop and  $\kappa\alpha 7$ ), suggesting that AZ2 leads to a complete disruption of secondary  
359 structure, with Gedatolisib likely causing increased secondary structure dynamics (Fig.  
360 4E).

361 This shows that multiple PI3K inhibitors can cause large scale allosteric  
362 conformational changes upon inhibitor binding, however, deciphering the molecular  
363 mechanism of these changes were hindered by lack of high-resolution structural  
364 information for many of these compounds.

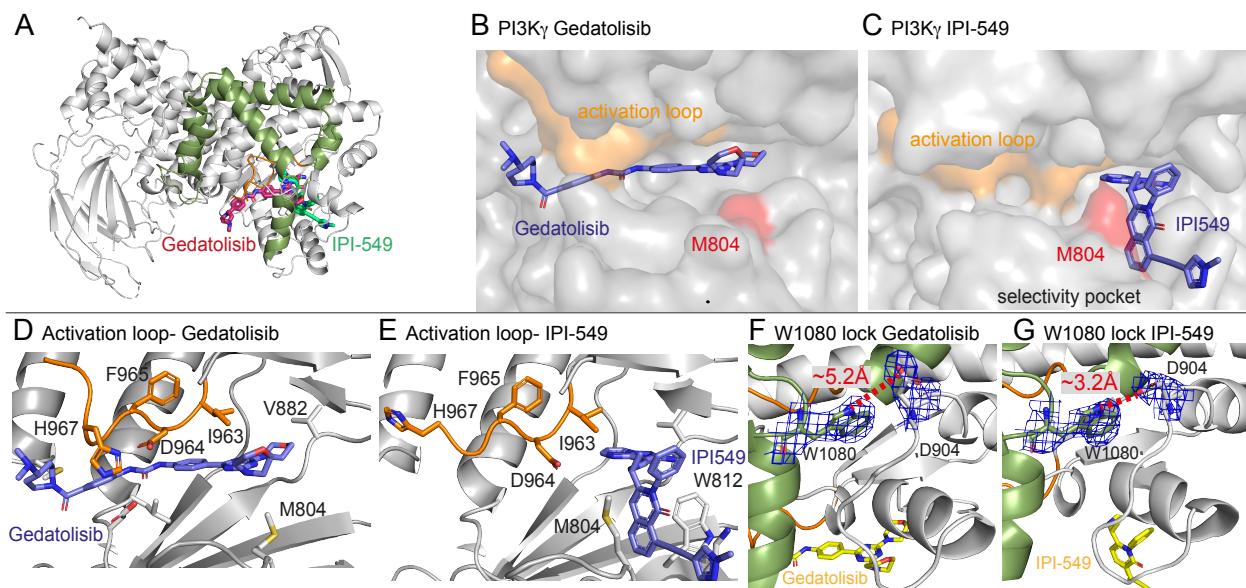
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366 *Structures of PI3K $\gamma$  bound to IPI-549, Gedatolisib, and NVS-PI3-4*

367 To further define the molecular basis for how different inhibitors lead to allosteric  
368 conformational changes we solved the crystal structure of p110 $\gamma$  bound to IPI-549,  
369 Gedatolisib, and NVS-PI3-4 at resolutions of 2.55 $\text{\AA}$ , 2.65 $\text{\AA}$ , and 3.15 $\text{\AA}$ , respectively (Fig.  
370 5A-C, S6, S8). The inhibitor binding mode for all were unambiguous (Fig. S8).

371 These structures revealed insight into how IPI-549 and NVS-PI3-4 can achieve  
372 selectivity for PI3K $\gamma$  (Fig. S7). All inhibitors formed the critical hydrogen bond with the

373 amide hydrogen of V882 in the hinge, which is a conserved feature of ATP competitive  
374 PI3K kinase inhibitors. NVS-PI3-4 leads to opening of a p110 $\gamma$  unique pocket mediated  
375 by a conformational change in K883 (Fig. S7D-H). The opening of K883 is accommodated  
376 by it rotating into contact with D884 and T955. This opening would not be possible in  
377 p110 $\alpha$  and p110 $\delta$  as the corresponding K883 residue (L829 in p110 $\delta$  and R852 in p110 $\alpha$ )  
378 would clash with the corresponding T955 residue (R902 in p110 $\delta$  and K924 in p110 $\alpha$ )  
379 (Fig S7I-J). IPI-549 binds with a characteristic propeller shape, as seen for multiple p110 $\gamma$   
380 and p110 $\delta$  selective inhibitors [64]. IPI-549 leads to a conformational change in the  
381 orientation of M804, which opens the specificity pocket, primarily composed of W812 and  
382 M804 (Fig. 5C, S7). Comparison of IPI-549 bound to p110 $\gamma$  to the selective inhibitor  
383 Idelalisib bound to p110 $\delta$  revealed a potential molecular mechanism for p110 $\gamma$  selectivity.  
384 Structure activity analysis of IPI-549 and its derivatives showed a critical role for  
385 substitutions at the alkyne position in achieving p110 $\gamma$  specificity[53]. The *N*-  
386 methylpyrazole group in IPI-549 projects out of the specificity pocket towards the  $\kappa\alpha$ 1-  
387  $\kappa\alpha$ 2 loop. This loop is significantly shorter in p110 $\delta$ , with a potential clash with bulkier  
388 alkyne derivatives (Fig. S7K-L). However, this cannot be the main driver of specificity, as  
389 a phenyl substituent of the alkyne had decreased selectivity of p110 $\gamma$  over p110 $\delta$ , with  
390 hydrophilic heterocycles in this position being critical in p110 $\gamma$  selectivity[53]. A major  
391 difference in this pocket between p110 $\gamma$  and p110 $\delta$  is K802 in p110 $\gamma$  (T750 in p110 $\delta$ ), with  
392 this residue making a pi-stacking interaction with W812. The *N*-methylpyrazole group  
393 packs against K802, with a bulkier group in this position likely to disrupt the pi stacking  
394 interaction, explaining the decreased potency for these compounds[53].



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396 **Fig 5: Structures of Gedatolisib and IPI-549 bound to p110 $\gamma$**

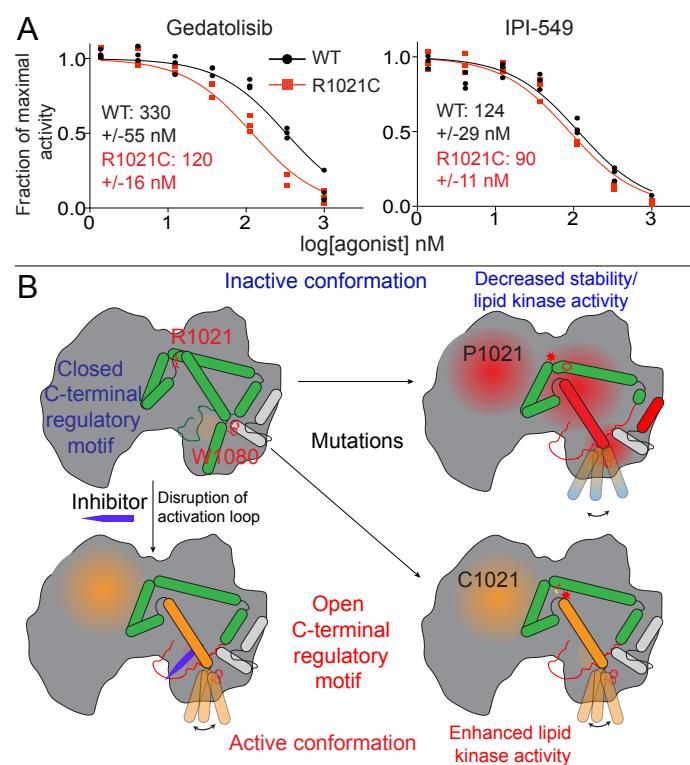
397 **A.** Overall structure of Gedatolisib (red) and IPI-549 (green) bound to p110 $\gamma$ .

398 **B-C.** Comparison of Gedatolisib and IPI-549 bound to p110 $\gamma$  with the activation loop and selectivity pocket  
399 highlighted. M804 that changes conformation upon selectivity pocket opening is coloured red.

400 **D-E.** Comparison of the conformation of the activation loop (orange) of p110 $\gamma$  when Gedatolisib or IPI-549  
401 are bound, with residues in the activation loop labelled, specifically D964 and F965 of the DFG motif labelled.  
402 **F-G.** The Trp lock composed of W1080 is partially disrupted in the Gedatolisib structure compared to the  
403 IPI-549 structure. The interaction between W1080 and D904 is shown, with the distance between the two  
404 shown on each structure. The electron density from a feature enhanced map [65] around W1080 and D904  
405 in each structure is contoured at 1.5 sigma.

406 One of the most striking differences between the structure of Gedatolisib and IPI-  
407 549 bound to p110 $\gamma$  is the conformation of the N-terminus of the activation loop, including  
408 the residues that make up the DFG motif (Fig. 5B, D+E, S8). The majority of the activation  
409 loop is disordered in PI3K $\gamma$  crystal structures, with the last residue being between 967  
410 and 969. Gedatolisib makes extensive contacts with the activation loop, with H967  
411 immediately following the DFG motif in a completely altered conformation. The interaction

412 of the cyclopropyl motif in AZ2 with the activation loop has previously been proposed to  
413 be critical in mediating allosteric conformational changes. In addition to the change in the  
414 activation loop, there was a minor perturbation of the W1080 lock, with the Gedatolisib  
415 structure revealing a disruption of the hydrogen bond between W1080 and D904, with  
416 this bond maintained in the IPI-549 structure (Fig. 5F+G). The C-terminus of the activation  
417 loop and  $\kappa\alpha 7$  immediately following showed some of the largest changes upon inhibitor  
418 binding in HDX experiments. The  $\kappa\alpha 7$  helix is directly in contact with W1080, and we  
419 postulated that the conformational changes induced in the N-terminus of the activation  
420 loop may mediate these changes.



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422 **Fig. 6. Activating mutations show slight differences in inhibition by allosteric inhibitors and model**  
423 **of PI3K $\gamma$  regulation.**

424 A. IC<sub>50</sub> curves for wild-type and R1021C p110 $\gamma$ /p101 complexes. Assays were carried out with 5% C8 PIP<sub>2</sub>  
425 / 95% PS vesicles at a final concentration of 1 mg/ml in the presence of 100  $\mu$ M ATP and 1.5  $\mu$ M lipidated

426 G $\beta$  $\gamma$ . PI3K $\gamma$  concentration was 4 nM for R1021C and 8 nM for WT. Error is shown as standard deviation  
427 (n=3)

428 **B.** Model of conformational changes that occur upon mutation of the C-terminal motif and binding of  
429 activation loop interacting conformation selective inhibitors.

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431 *Conformational selective inhibitors show altered specificity towards activating PI3K $\gamma$*   
432 *mutant*

433 We observed that HDX differences occurring in the R1021C mutant, were very  
434 similar to conformational changes observed for p110 $\gamma$  bound to Gedatolisib, particularly  
435 for the peptide spanning 976-992 in the activation loop. As this region is directly adjacent  
436 to the inhibitor binding site, we postulated that there may be altered inhibitor binding for  
437 the R1021C mutant. We carried out IC<sub>50</sub> measurement for wild-type and R1021C  
438 p110 $\gamma$ /p101 with both IPI-549 and Gedatolisib (Fig. 6A). Gedatolisib was roughly three-  
439 fold more potent for the R1021C mutant over the wild-type, with no significant difference  
440 in IC<sub>50</sub> values for IPI-549 compared to wild-type. This provides initial insight into how  
441 understanding the dynamics of activating mutations and inhibitors may be useful as a  
442 novel strategy towards designing mutant specific inhibitors.

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444 **Discussion:**

445 Understanding the molecular determinants of how mutations in PI3Ks lead to  
446 altered signalling in disease is vital in the design of targeted therapeutic strategies. The  
447 PI3K $\gamma$  isoform is critical to maintain immune system function, and plays important roles in  
448 the regulation of the tumour microenvironment [7,66]. Bi-allelic loss of function mutations

449 in PI3K $\gamma$  are a driver of human immunodeficiencies, and multiple inactivating mutations  
450 located in the C-terminal regulatory motif of the kinase domain have been described  
451 [46,47]. Initial results linking deletion of PI3K $\gamma$  to the development of colon cancer [67]  
452 have been disputed [68], and recent studies suggest that tumour growth and metastasis  
453 is attenuated in PI3K $\gamma$  deficient mice [30,69] and IPI-549 treated animals [29]. Inhibiting  
454 PI3K $\gamma$  has shown promise as an immunomodulatory agent in generating an anti-tumour  
455 immune response [29,30]. There have also been numerous reports of overexpression  
456 and single nucleotide variants in PIK3CG linked to cancer development in multiple tissues  
457 [69-76]. Oncogenic mutations in PIK3CG are widely distributed, which is distinct from the  
458 oncogenic hotspot mutations seen in the helical and kinase domain of PIK3CA. There  
459 has been limited analysis of the functional consequences of oncogenic PIK3CG mutants,  
460 with the R1021 residue in the regulatory motif of the kinase domain being unique, as  
461 mutations of this residue exist in both immunodeficiencies and tumours.

462 Here, we have described the biochemical and biophysical characterisation of both  
463 activating and inactivating disease linked R1021 mutations in the regulatory motif of the  
464 PI3K $\gamma$  kinase domain. This has revealed that mutation of R1021 can lead to either kinase  
465 activation or inactivation. The R1021 in the  $\kappa\alpha 8$  helix is conserved across all class I PI3Ks,  
466 with it making a number of hydrogen bonds with residues in  $\kappa\alpha 10$  and  $\kappa\alpha 11$ . Both R1021P  
467 and R1021C would lead to disruption of the hydrogen bonds with  $\kappa\alpha 10$  and  $\kappa\alpha 11$ ,  
468 however R1021P would also lead to disruption of the  $\kappa\alpha 8$  helix due to the altered  
469 dynamics introduced by the proline residue. HDX-MS results were consistent with this  
470 hypothesis, with R1021P leading to large scale conformational changes across the entire

471 protein, with the main disruptions occurring in the helical and kinase domain. Molecular  
472 dynamics simulations revealed alterations in the fluctuation of the helices in the C-  
473 terminal regulatory motif for R1021P. The  $\kappa\alpha 10$  helix in the kinase domain extensively  
474 contacts the helical domain, with the altered orientation of this helix potentially revealing  
475 a mechanism of increased exchange in the helical domain. The R1021P mutation greatly  
476 destabilized the protein, with purification yields being >20-fold lower than wild-type,  
477 consistent with greatly decreased p110 $\gamma$  and p101 levels in patient T cells [46]. Consistent  
478 with previous reports we found greatly decreased lipid kinase activity for R1021P,  
479 although the enzyme maintained catalytic ability, as it showed greatly increased basal  
480 ATPase activity, which is similar to what occurs upon mutation of the W1080 lock or  
481 removal of the  $\kappa\alpha 12$  helix [34,46]. This suggests a mechanism whereby R1021P mutation  
482 leads to large scale destabilization, and locks the enzyme into a lipid kinase inactive form.

483 The R1021C mutation in contrast, had enhanced lipid kinase activity, both basally,  
484 and upon G $\beta\gamma$  activation. Increased conformational changes for this mutation were  
485 primarily localised to the C-terminal regulatory motif, with additional increased exchange  
486 occurring in the helical domain, although not to the same extent as seen in R1021P. Many  
487 of these changes in the C-terminal regulatory motif have been previously observed upon  
488 membrane binding [21], as well as upon binding to conformational selective inhibitors [34].  
489 One of the largest changes in exchange occurred at the C-terminus of the activation loop  
490 and the beginning of  $\kappa\alpha 7$  which is in contact with the W1080 lock. We propose a model  
491 of how mutation of R1021 can lead to either activated or inactivated lipid kinase activity  
492 (Fig. 6B). The conformation of the C-terminal regulatory motif is critical in regulating lipid

493 kinase activity, where minor perturbations (R1021C) can lead to disruption of multiple  
494 inhibitory contacts allowing for reorientation of the  $\kappa\alpha 12$  membrane binding helix and  
495 increased lipid kinase activity. For R1021P, this mutation leads to extensive  
496 conformational disruption throughout the protein, along with the C-terminal regulatory  
497 domain, which results in decreased protein stability and inactivation of kinase activity.  
498 Reinforcing this as a general mechanism important for class I PI3K regulation is that  
499 mutation of the equivalent R992 in PIK3CA to either Leu or Asn has been found in tumour  
500 samples [45].

501 This work corroborates the important role of the C-terminal regulatory motif in  
502 controlling PI3K lipid kinase activity. The orientation of this motif is critical in the regulation  
503 of all class I PI3Ks, although this is regulated by different molecular mechanisms in p110 $\alpha$ ,  
504 p110 $\beta$ , p110 $\delta$ , and p110 $\gamma$ . The class IA PI3Ks require p85 regulatory subunits to stabilize  
505 the C-terminal regulatory motif, with the nSH2 of p85 interacting with and stabilising  $\kappa\alpha 10$   
506 for all class IA PI3Ks [57,77], and the cSH2 of p85 stabilising  $\kappa\alpha 7$ ,  $\kappa\alpha 8$ ,  $\kappa\alpha 11$  and  $\kappa\alpha 12$   
507 for p110 $\beta$  and p110 $\delta$  [59,78]. The p110 $\gamma$  isoform is unique in that its C-terminal motif  
508 adopts an inhibited conformation in the absence of regulatory proteins. The C-terminal  
509 regulatory motif of p110 $\gamma$  can be post-translationally modified by phosphorylation of  $\kappa\alpha 9$   
510 (T1024) by protein kinase A decreasing lipid kinase activity [79], while protein kinase C  
511 phosphorylates an adjacent area in the helical domain (S582) [80] increasing lipid kinase  
512 activity.

513 It has previously been noted that PI3K $\gamma$  can be selectively targeted through a  
514 conformationally selective inhibitor, AZ2 [34]. This was mediated through a cyclopropyl

515 moiety on AZ2, which putatively alters the orientation of the activation loop, leading to  
516 disruption of the inhibitory conformation of the C-terminal regulatory motif. Many of the  
517 changes observed for this inhibitor were similar to those seen in the R1021C and R1021P  
518 mutant. To interrogate if allosteric conformational changes were unique to cyclopropyl  
519 containing compounds, we screened a panel of pan-PI3K and PI3K $\gamma$  selective inhibitors  
520 using HDX-MS. HDX-MS analysis of inhibitors bound to PI3K $\gamma$  revealed distinct dynamics  
521 between compounds. The compounds PIK90, IPI549, and AS-604850 only caused  
522 decreased exchange at the active site. Comparison of the crystal structures of these  
523 compounds [9,61] revealed similar conformation of the activation loop, with limited  
524 interaction between the inhibitors and the activation loop. AZ2, containing the cyclopropyl  
525 moiety led to large scale conformational changes consistent with previous results [34].  
526 Intriguingly, the non-specific inhibitors Gedatolisib and Omipalisib caused increased  
527 exchange in many of the same regions that showed enhanced exchange with the R1021C  
528 mutant. Comparison of the crystal structures of these inhibitors [62] revealed more  
529 extensive interactions with the activation loop, and significant conformational  
530 rearrangement of the activation loop. Distinct from the AZ2 compound, neither Gedatolisib  
531 and Omipalisib show specificity for PI3K $\gamma$  over class IA PI3Ks [62,63]. Similar HDX-MS  
532 differences were observed for both the R1021C mutant and wild type bound to  
533 Gedatolisib. Gedatolisib showed increased potency versus R1021C over wild type PI3K $\gamma$ ,  
534 with a ~3-fold decrease in IC50 values. Altogether, this suggests that R1021C induces a  
535 conformation similar to the wild type enzyme bound to Gedatolisib. This provides an

536 intriguing approach for designing oncogenic PI3K specific inhibitors through further  
537 optimisation of the ATP competitive inhibitor moieties in the activation loop binding region.

538 Overall, this work provides novel insight into how the C-terminal regulatory motif  
539 of PI3K $\gamma$  regulates lipid kinase activity, how oncogenic and immunodeficiency mutations  
540 can disrupt this regulation, and how we can exploit these conformational changes to  
541 develop isoform and mutant selective small molecule inhibitors. Further exploration of the  
542 dynamic regulation of the C-terminal regulatory motif of PI3Ks by mutations and inhibitors  
543 may reveal unique approaches to develop therapeutics for PI3K related human diseases.

544

545 **Methods:**

546 *Expression and Purification of PI3K $\gamma$  constructs:*

547 Full length monomeric p110 $\gamma$  (WT, R1021C) and p110 $\gamma$ /p101 complex (WT, R1021C,  
548 R1021P) were expressed in Sf9 insect cells using the baculovirus expression system. For  
549 the complex, the subunits were co-expressed from a MultiBac vector[81]. Following 55  
550 hours of expression, cells were harvested by centrifuging at 1680 RCF (Eppendorf  
551 Centrifuge 5810 R) and the pellets were snap-frozen in liquid nitrogen. Both the monomer  
552 and the complex were purified identically through a combination of nickel affinity,  
553 streptavidin affinity and size exclusion chromatographic techniques.

554 Frozen insect cell pellets were resuspended in lysis buffer (20 mM Tris pH 8.0, 100  
555 mM NaCl, 10 mM imidazole pH 8.0, 5% glycerol (v/v), 2 mM beta-mercaptoethanol ( $\beta$ ME),  
556 protease inhibitor (Protease Inhibitor Cocktail Set III, Sigma)) and sonicated for 2 minutes  
557 (15s on, 15s off, level 4.0, Misonix sonicator 3000). Triton-X was added to the lysate to a

558 final concentration of 0.1% and clarified by spinning at 15,000 g for 45 minutes (Beckman  
559 Coulter JA-20 rotor). The supernatant was loaded onto a 5 mL HisTrap™ FF crude  
560 column (GE Healthcare) equilibrated in NiNTA A buffer (20 mM Tris pH 8.0, 100 mM NaCl,  
561 20 mM imidazole pH 8.0, 5% (v/v) glycerol, 2 mM  $\beta$ ME). The column was washed with  
562 high salt NiNTA A buffer (20 mM Tris pH 8.0, 1 M NaCl, 20 mM imidazole pH 8.0, 5% (v/v)  
563 glycerol, 2 mM  $\beta$ ME), NiNTA A buffer, 6% NiNTA B buffer (20 mM Tris pH 8.0, 100 mM  
564 NaCl, 250 mM imidazole pH 8.0, 5% (v/v) glycerol, 2 mM  $\beta$ ME) and the protein was eluted  
565 with 100% NiNTA B. The eluent was loaded onto a 5 mL StrepTrap™ HP column (GE  
566 Healthcare) equilibrated in gel filtration buffer (20 mM Tris pH 8.5, 100 mM NaCl, 50 mM  
567 Ammonium Sulfate and 0.5 mM tris(2-carboxyethyl) phosphine (TCEP)). The column was  
568 washed with the same buffer and loaded with tobacco etch virus protease. After cleavage  
569 on the column overnight, the protein was eluted in gel filtration buffer. The eluent was  
570 concentrated in a 50,000 MWCO Amicon Concentrator (Millipore) to <1 mL and injected  
571 onto a Superdex™ 200 10/300 GL Increase size-exclusion column (GE Healthcare)  
572 equilibrated in gel filtration buffer. After size exclusion, the protein was concentrated,  
573 aliquoted, frozen and stored at -80°C.

574 For crystallography, p110 $\gamma$  (144-1102) was expressed in Sf9 insect cells for 72  
575 hours. The cell pellet was lysed and the lysate was subjected to nickel affinity purification  
576 as described above. The eluent was loaded onto HiTrap™ Heparin HP cation exchange  
577 column equilibrated in Hep A buffer (20 mM Tris pH 8.0, 100 mM NaCl, 5% glycerol and  
578 2 mM  $\beta$ ME). A gradient was started with Hep B buffer (20 mM Tris pH 8.0, 1 M NaCl, 5%  
579 glycerol and 2 mM  $\beta$ ME) and the fractions containing the peak were pooled. This was

580 then loaded onto HiTrap™ Q HP anion exchange column equilibrated with Hep A and  
581 again subjected to a gradient with Hep B. The peak fractions were pooled, concentrated  
582 on a 50,000 MWCO Amicon Concentrator (Millipore) to <1 mL and injected onto a  
583 Superdex™ 200 10/300 GL Increase size-exclusion column (GE Healthcare) equilibrated  
584 in gel filtration buffer (20 mM Tris pH 7.2, 0.5 mM (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, 1% ethylene glycol, 0.02%  
585 CHAPS and 5 mM DTT). Protein from size exclusion was concentrated to >5 mg/mL,  
586 aliquoted, frozen and stored at -80°C.

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588 *Expression and Purification of lipidated G $\beta\gamma$ :*

589 Full length, lipidated G $\beta\gamma$  was expressed in Sf9 insect cells and purified as described  
590 previously[82]. After 65 hours of expression, cells were harvested and the pellets were  
591 frozen as described above. Pellets were resuspended in lysis buffer (20 mM HEPES pH  
592 7.7, 100 mM NaCl, 10 mM  $\beta$ ME, protease inhibitor (Protease Inhibitor Cocktail Set III,  
593 Sigma)) and sonicated for 2 minutes (15s on, 15s off, level 4.0, Misonix sonicator 3000).  
594 The lysate was spun at 500 RCF (Eppendorf Centrifuge 5810 R) to remove intact cells  
595 and the supernatant was centrifuged again at 25,000 g for 1 hour (Beckman Coulter JA-  
596 20 rotor). The pellet was resuspended in lysis buffer and sodium cholate was added to a  
597 final concentration of 1% and stirred at 4°C for 1 hour. The membrane extract was clarified  
598 by spinning at 10,000 g for 30 minutes (Beckman Coulter JA-20 rotor). The supernatant  
599 was diluted 3 times with NiNTA A buffer (20 mM HEPES pH 7.7, 100 mM NaCl, 10 mM  
600 Imidazole, 0.1% C12E10, 10mM  $\beta$ ME) and loaded onto a 5 mL HisTrap™ FF crude  
601 column (GE Healthcare) equilibrated in the same buffer. The column was washed with

602 NiNTA A, 6% NiNTA B buffer (20 mM HEPES pH 7.7, 25 mM NaCl, 250 mM imidazole  
603 pH 8.0, 0.1% C12E10, 10 mM  $\beta$ ME) and the protein was eluted with 100% NiNTA B. The  
604 eluent was loaded onto HiTrap<sup>TM</sup> Q HP anion exchange column equilibrated in Hep A  
605 buffer (20 mM Tris pH 8.0, 8 mM CHAPS, 2 mM Dithiothreitol (DTT)). A gradient was  
606 started with Hep B buffer (20 mM Tris pH 8.0, 500 mM NaCl, 8 mM CHAPS, 2 mM DTT)  
607 and the protein was eluted in ~50% Hep B buffer. The eluent was concentrated in a  
608 30,000 MWCO Amicon Concentrator (Millipore) to < 1 mL and injected onto a Superdex<sup>TM</sup>  
609 75 10/300 GL size exclusion column (GE Healthcare) equilibrated in Gel Filtration buffer  
610 (20 mM HEPES pH 7.7, 100 mM NaCl, 10 mM CHAPS, 2 mM TCEP). Fractions  
611 containing protein were pooled, concentrated, aliquoted, frozen and stored at -80°C.

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614 *Expression and Purification of Lipidated HRas G12V:*

615 Full-length HRas G12V was expressed by infecting 500 mL of Sf9 cells with 5 mL of  
616 baculovirus. Cells were harvested after 55 hours of infection and frozen as described  
617 above. The frozen cell pellet was resuspended in lysis buffer (50 mM HEPES pH 7.5, 100  
618 mM NaCl, 10 mM  $\beta$ ME and protease inhibitor (Protease Inhibitor Cocktail Set III, Sigma))  
619 and sonicated on ice for 1 minute 30 seconds (15s ON, 15s OFF, power level 4.0) on the  
620 Misonix sonicator 3000. Triton-X 114 was added to the lysate to a final concentration of  
621 1%, mixed for 10 minutes at 4°C and centrifuged at 25,000 rpm for 45 minutes (Beckman  
622 Ti-45 rotor). The supernatant was warmed to 37°C for few minutes until it turned cloudy  
623 following which it was centrifuged at 11,000 rpm at room temperature for 10 minutes

624 (Beckman JA-20 rotor) to separate the soluble and detergent-enriched phases. The  
625 soluble phase was removed, and Triton-X 114 was added to the detergent-enriched  
626 phase to a final concentration of 1%. Phase separation was performed 3 times. Imidazole  
627 pH 8.0 was added to the detergent phase to a final concentration of 15 mM and the  
628 mixture was incubated with Ni-NTA agarose beads (Qiagen) for 1 hour at 4°C. The beads  
629 were washed with 5 column volumes of Ras-NiNTA buffer A (20mM Tris pH 8.0, 100mM  
630 NaCl, 15mM imidazole pH 8.0, 10mM  $\beta$ ME and 0.5% Sodium Cholate) and the protein  
631 was eluted with 2 column volumes of Ras-NiNTA buffer B (20mM Tris pH 8.0, 100mM  
632 NaCl, 250mM imidazole pH 8.0, 10mM  $\beta$ ME and 0.5% Sodium Cholate). The protein was  
633 buffer exchanged to Ras-NiNTA buffer A using a 10,000 kDa MWCO Amicon  
634 concentrator, where protein was concentrated to ~1mL and topped up to 15 mL with Ras-  
635 NiNTA buffer A and this was repeated a total of 3 times. GTP $\gamma$ S was added in 2-fold molar  
636 excess relative to HRas along with 25 mM EDTA. After incubating for an hour at room  
637 temperature, the protein was buffer exchanged with phosphatase buffer (32 mM Tris pH  
638 8.0, 200 mM Ammonium Sulphate, 0.1 mM ZnCl<sub>2</sub>, 10 mM  $\beta$ ME and 0.5% Sodium  
639 Cholate). 1 unit of immobilized calf alkaline phosphatase (Sigma) was added per  
640 milligram of HRas along with 2-fold excess nucleotide and the mixture was incubated for  
641 1 hour on ice. MgCl<sub>2</sub> was added to a final concentration of 30 mM to lock the bound  
642 nucleotide. The immobilized phosphatase was removed using a 0.22-micron spin filter  
643 (EMD Millipore). The protein was concentrated to less than 1 mL and was injected onto  
644 a Superdex<sup>TM</sup> 75 10/300 GL size exclusion column (GE Healthcare) equilibrated in gel  
645 filtration buffer (20 mM HEPES pH 7.7, 100 mM NaCl, 10 mM CHAPS, 1 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> and

646 2 mM TCEP). The protein was concentrated to 1 mg/mL using a 10,000 kDa MWCO

647 Amicon concentrator, aliquoted, snap-frozen in liquid nitrogen and stored at -80°C.

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649 *Lipid Vesicle Preparation:*

650 For kinase assays comparing WT and mutant activities, lipid vesicles containing 5% brain

651 phosphatidylinositol 4,5- bisphosphate (PIP2), 20% brain phosphatidylserine (PS), 50%

652 egg-yolk phosphatidylethanolamine (PE), 10% egg-yolk phosphatidylcholine (PC), 10%

653 cholesterol and 5% egg-yolk sphingomyelin (SM) were prepared by mixing the lipids

654 dissolved in organic solvent. The solvent was evaporated in a stream of argon following

655 which the lipid film was desiccated in a vacuum for 45 minutes. The lipids were

656 resuspended in lipid buffer (20 mM HEPES pH 7.0, 100 mM NaCl and 10 % glycerol) and

657 the solution was sonicated for 15 minutes. The vesicles were subjected to five freeze

658 thaw cycles and extruded 11 times through a 100-nm filter (T&T Scientific: TT-002-0010).

659 The extruded vesicles were sonicated again for 5 minutes, aliquoted and stored at -80°C.

660 For inhibitor response assays, lipid vesicles containing 95% PS and 5% C8-PIP2 were

661 used. PS was dried and desiccated as described above. The lipid film was mixed and

662 resuspended with C8-PIP2 solution (2.5 mg/mL in lipid buffer). Following this, vesicles

663 were essentially prepared the same way as described above. All vesicles were stored at

664 5 mg/mL.

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666 *Lipid Kinase assays:*

667 All lipid kinase activity assays employed the Transcreener ADP2 Fluorescence Intensity  
668 (FI) Assay (Bellbrook labs) which measures ADP production. For assays comparing the  
669 activities of mutants, final concentrations of PM-mimic vesicles were 1 mg/mL, ATP was  
670 100  $\mu$ M ATP and lipidated G $\beta$  $\gamma$ /HRas were at 1.5  $\mu$ M. 2  $\mu$ L of a PI3K solution at 2X final  
671 concentration was mixed with 2  $\mu$ L substrate solution containing ATP, vesicles and  
672 G $\beta$  $\gamma$ /HRas or G $\beta$  $\gamma$ /HRas gel filtration buffer and the reaction was allowed to proceed for  
673 60 minutes at 20°C. The reaction was stopped with 4  $\mu$ L of 2X stop and detect solution  
674 containing Stop and Detect buffer, 8 nM ADP Alexa Fluor 594 Tracer and 93.7  $\mu$ g/mL  
675 ADP2 Antibody IRDye QC-1 and incubated for 50 minutes. The fluorescence intensity  
676 was measured using a SpectraMax M5 plate reader at excitation 590 nm and emission  
677 620 nm. This data was normalized against a 0-100% ADP window made using conditions  
678 containing either 100  $\mu$ M ATP/ADP with vesicles and kinase buffer. % ATP turnover was  
679 interpolated from an ATP standard curve obtained from performing the assay on 100  $\mu$ M  
680 (total) ATP/ADP mixtures with increasing concentrations of ADP using Prism 7. All  
681 specific activities of lipid kinase activity were corrected for the basal ATPase activity by  
682 subtracting the specific activity of the WT/mutant protein in the absence of  
683 vesicles/activators.

684 For assays measuring inhibitor response, substrate solutions containing vesicles,  
685 ATP and G $\beta$  $\gamma$  at 4X final concentration (as described above) were mixed with 4X solutions  
686 of inhibitor dissolved in lipid buffer (<1% DMSO) in serial to obtain 2X substrate solutions  
687 with inhibitors at the various 2X concentrations. 2  $\mu$ L of this solution was mixed with 2  $\mu$ L  
688 of 2X protein solution to start the reaction and allowed to proceed for 60 minutes at 37 °C.

689 Following this, the reaction was stopped and the intensity was measured. The raw data  
690 was normalized against a 0-100% ADP window as described above. The % inhibition was  
691 calculated by comparison to the activity with no inhibitor to obtain fraction activity  
692 remaining.

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694 *Hydrogen Deuterium Exchange Mass Spectrometry (HDX-MS):*

695 HDX experiments were performed similarly as described before [40]. For HDX with  
696 mutants, 3  $\mu$ L containing 13 picomoles of protein was incubated with 8.25  $\mu$ L of D<sub>2</sub>O  
697 buffer (20mM HEPES pH 7.5, 100 mM NaCl, 98% (v/v) D<sub>2</sub>O) for four different time periods  
698 (3, 30, 300, 3000 s at 20 °C). After the appropriate time, the reaction was stopped with  
699 57.5  $\mu$ L of ice-cold quench buffer (2M guanidine, 3% formic acid), immediately snap  
700 frozen in liquid nitrogen and stored at -80 °C. For HDX with inhibitors, 5  $\mu$ L of p110 $\gamma$  or  
701 p110 $\gamma$ /p101 at 2  $\mu$ M was mixed with 5  $\mu$ L of inhibitor at 4  $\mu$ M in 10% DMSO or 5  $\mu$ L of  
702 blank solution containing 10% DMSO and incubated for 20 minutes on ice. 40  $\mu$ L of D<sub>2</sub>O  
703 buffer was added to this solution to start the exchange reaction which was allowed to  
704 proceed for four different time periods (3, 30, 300, 3000 s at 20 °C). After the appropriate  
705 time, the reaction was terminated with 20  $\mu$ L of ice-cold quench buffer and the samples  
706 were frozen.

707 Protein samples were rapidly thawed and injected onto an ultra-high pressure liquid  
708 chromatography (UPLC) system at 2 °C. Protein was run over two immobilized pepsin  
709 columns (Tajan, ProDx protease column, PDX.PP01-F32 and Applied Biosystems,  
710 Porosyme, 2-3131-00) at 10 °C and 2 °C at 200  $\mu$ l/min for 3 min, and peptides were

711 collected onto a VanGuard precolumn trap (Waters). The trap was subsequently eluted  
712 in line with an Acquity 1.7- $\mu$ m particle, 100  $\times$  1 mm<sup>2</sup> C18 UPLC column (Waters), using  
713 a gradient of 5–36% B (buffer A, 0.1% formic acid; buffer B, 100% acetonitrile) over 16  
714 min. Mass spectrometry experiments were performed on an Impact II TOF (Bruker)  
715 acquiring over a mass range from 150 to 2200 m/z using an electrospray ionization source  
716 operated at a temperature of 200 °C and a spray voltage of 4.5 kV. Peptides were  
717 identified using data-dependent acquisition methods following tandem MS/MS  
718 experiments (0.5-s precursor scan from 150–2000 m/z; 12 0.25-s fragment scans from  
719 150–2000 m/z). MS/MS datasets were analysed using PEAKS7 (PEAKS), and a false  
720 discovery rate was set at 1% using a database of purified proteins and known  
721 contaminants.

722 HD-Examiner software (Sierra Analytics) was used to automatically calculate the  
723 level of deuterium incorporation into each peptide. All peptides were manually inspected  
724 for correct charge state and presence of overlapping peptides. Deuteration levels were  
725 calculated using the centroid of the experimental isotope clusters. The results for these  
726 proteins are presented as relative levels of deuterium incorporation, and the only control  
727 for back exchange was the level of deuterium present in the buffer (62% for experiments  
728 with mutants and 75.5% for experiments with inhibitors). Changes in any peptide at any  
729 time point greater than both 5% and 0.4 Da between conditions with a paired t test value  
730 of p < 0.01 were considered significant. The raw HDX data are shown in two different  
731 formats. The raw peptide deuterium incorporation graphs for a selection of peptides with  
732 significant differences are shown, with the raw data for all analyzed peptides in the source

733 data. To allow for visualization of differences across all peptides, we utilized number of  
734 deuterium difference (#D) plots. These plots show the total difference in deuterium  
735 incorporation over the entire H/D exchange time course, with each point indicating a  
736 single peptide. The mass spectrometry proteomics data have been deposited to the  
737 ProteomeXchange Consortium via the PRIDE partner repository[83] with the dataset  
738 identifier PXD021132.

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740 *X-ray crystallography:*

741 p110 $\gamma$  (144-1102) was crystallized from a grid of 2 $\mu$ l sitting drops at 1:1, 2:1 and 3:1  
742 protein to reservoir ratios at 18°C. Protein at 4 mg/mL (in 20 mM Tris pH 7.2, 0.5 mM  
743 (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, 1% ethylene glycol, 0.02% CHAPS and 5 mM DTT) was mixed with reservoir  
744 solution containing 100 mM Tris pH 7.5, 250 mM (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and 20-22% PEG 4000.  
745 Large multinucleate crystals were generated in these drops. Inhibitor stocks were  
746 prepared at concentrations of 0.01 mM, 0.1 mM and 1 mM in cryo-protectant solution  
747 containing 100 mM Tris pH 7.5, 250 mM (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, 23% PEG 4000 and 14% glycerol.  
748 Inhibitors at increasing concentrations were added to the drops stepwise every 1 hour.  
749 After overnight incubation with the inhibitor, single crystals were manually broken from  
750 the multi-nucleates and soaked in a fresh drop containing 1 mM inhibitor in cryo-  
751 protectant before being immediately frozen in liquid nitrogen.

752 Diffraction data for PI3K $\gamma$  crystals were collected on beamline 08ID-1 of the  
753 Canadian Light Source. Data was collected at 0.97949 Å. Data were processed using  
754 XDS [84]. Phases were initially obtained by molecular replacement using Phaser [85]

755 using PDB: 2CHW for the IPI-549 complex [61], and 5JHA for Gedatolisib and NVS-PI3-  
756 4 [86]. Iterative model building and refinement were performed in COOT [87] and  
757 phenix.refine [88]. Refinement was carried out with rigid body refinement, followed by  
758 translation/libration/screw B-factor and xyz refinement. The final model was verified in  
759 Molprobity [89] to examine all Ramachandran and Rotamer outliers. Data collection and  
760 refinement statistics are shown in Table S3. The crystallography data has been deposited  
761 in the protein data bank with accession numbers (PDB: 7JWE, 7JX0, 7JWZ).

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763 *Molecular Dynamics: Missing loops modelling*

764 The employed crystallographic structures of the p110 $\gamma$  protein reveal several missing  
765 gaps corresponding to flexible loops within range of the ligand-binding site: the activation  
766 loop (residues 968-981), and loops connecting the C2 and helical domains (residues 435-  
767 460 and 489-497). These missing gaps were modelled as disordered loops using  
768 Modeller9.19 [90]. Keeping the crystallographic coordinates fixed, 50 models were  
769 independently generated for each system. The wild type (WT), R1021C, and R1021P  
770 systems used PDB ID 6AUD [54] with their corresponding mutations in the mutant  
771 systems. The alignment used by Modeller between the crystallographic structure  
772 sequences and the FASTA sequence of p110 $\gamma$  (Uniprot ID P48736) were generated using  
773 Clustal Omega [91]. The top models were visually inspected to discard those in which  
774 loops were entangled in a knot or clashed with the rest of the structure. Lastly, from the  
775 remaining models, three were selected for each system to initiate simulations in triplicates.

776

777 *Molecular Dynamics: System preparation*

778 The generated models were prepared using tleap program of the AMBER package [92].  
779 The systems were parametrized using the general AMBER force field (GAFF) using  
780 ff14sb for the protein [93]. The systems were fully solvated with explicit water molecules  
781 described using the TIP3P model [94], adding K<sup>+</sup> and Cl<sup>-</sup> counterions to neutralize the  
782 total charge. The total number of atoms is 97,861 for WT (size: 116 Å × 95 Å × 94 Å),  
783 100,079 for R1021C (size: 116 Å × 95 Å × 94 Å), 97,861 for R1021P (size: 116 Å × 95 Å  
784 × 94 Å).

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786 *Gaussian accelerated Molecular Dynamics (GaMD)*

787 All-atom MD simulations were conducted using the GPU version of AMBER18 [92]. The  
788 systems were initially relaxed through a series of minimization, heating, and equilibration  
789 cycles. During the first cycle, the protein was restrained using a harmonic potential with  
790 a force constant of 10 kcal/mol-Å<sup>2</sup>, while the solvent, and ions were subjected to an initial  
791 minimization of 2000 steps using the steepest descent approach for 1000 steps and  
792 conjugate gradient approach for another 1000 steps. The full system (protein + solvent)  
793 was then similarly minimized for 1000 and 4000 steps using the steepest descent and  
794 conjugate gradient approaches, respectively. Subsequently, the temperature was  
795 incrementally changed from 100 to 300 K for 10 ps at 2 fs/step (NVT ensemble). Next,  
796 the systems were equilibrated for 200 ps at 1 atom and 300K (NPT ensemble), and for  
797 200ps at 300K (NVT ensemble). Lastly, more equilibration simulations were run in the  
798 NVT ensemble in two steps; all systems were simulated using conventional MD for 50 ns

799 and GaMD for 50ns. Temperature control (300 K) and pressure control (1 atm) were  
800 performed via Langevin dynamics and Berendsen barostat, respectively. Production  
801 GaMD were simulated for  $\sim 3 \mu\text{s}$  for WT,  $\sim 4.1 \mu\text{s}$  R1021C,  $\sim 1.5 \mu\text{s}$  for R1021P. GaMD is  
802 an unconstrained enhanced sampling approach that works by adding a harmonic boost  
803 potential to smooth biomolecular potential energy surface and reduce the system energy  
804 barriers [95]. Details of the GaMD method have been extensively described in previous  
805 studies [95,96].

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807 *GaMD analysis: Principal component analysis (PCA).*

808 PCA was performed using the `sklearn.decomposition.PCA` function in the *Scikit-learn*  
809 library using python3.6.9. First, all simulations were aligned with *mdtraj* [97] onto the same  
810 initial coordinates using C $\alpha$  atoms of the kinase domain (residues 726–1088). Next,  
811 simulation coordinates of each domain of interest (for example k $\alpha$ 9-k $\alpha$ 10) from all  
812 systems (WT, R1021C, and R1021P) and replicas were concatenated and used to fit the  
813 transformation function. Subsequently, the fitted transformation function was applied to  
814 reduce the dimensionality of each domain's simulation C $\alpha$  coordinates. It is important to  
815 note that all systems are transformed into the same PC space to evaluate the simulation  
816 variance across systems.

817

818 *GaMD analysis: Angles calculation.*

819 Inter-helical angles were calculated using in-house python scripts along with *mdtraj* [97]  
820 as the angle between two vectors representing the principal axis along each helix. Each

821 principal axis connects two points corresponding to the center of mass (COM) of the first  
822 and last turn from each helix. For  $\kappa\alpha 8$ , points 1 and 2 are represented by the COM of  
823 residues 1020-1023 and 1004-1007  $C\alpha$  coordinates, respectively. For  $\kappa\alpha 9$ , points 1 and  
824 2 are represented by the COM of residues 1024-1027 and 1034-1037  $C\alpha$  coordinates,  
825 respectively. For  $\kappa\alpha 10$ , points 1 and 2 are represented by the COM of residues 1053-  
826 1056 and 1046-1049  $C\alpha$  coordinates, respectively. For  $\kappa\alpha 11$ , points 1 and 2 are  
827 represented by the COM of residues 1062-1065 and 1074-1077  $C\alpha$  coordinates,  
828 respectively. Angles were computed at each frame along the trajectories after structural  
829 alignment onto the initial coordinates using the  $C\alpha$  atoms of the kinase domain (residues  
830 726–1088) as a reference.

831

832 *GaMD analysis: Hydrogen bonds calculation.*

833 Hydrogen bonds were calculated using the *baker hubbard* command implemented with  
834 *mdtraj*[97] Occupancy (%) was determined by counting the number of frames in which a  
835 specific hydrogen bond was formed with respect to the total number of frames and then  
836 averaged across replicas.

837

838 *GaMD analysis: Root-mean-square-fluctuations (RMSF).*

839 RMSF was calculated using in-house python scripts along with *mdtraj*[97] RMSF was  
840 computed for each residue atom and represented as box plot to show the range of RMSF  
841 values across replicas. The trajectories were aligned onto the initial coordinates using the  
842  $C\alpha$  atoms of the kinase domain (residues 726–1088) as a reference.

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844 ***PI3K Inhibitors***

845 Compounds were purchased from companies indicated below in  $\geq 95\%$  purity (typical 98%  
846 pure). IPI-549[53] was from ChemieTex (Indianapolis, USA, #CT-IPI549); PIK-90 [61]  
847 from Axon Medchem (Groningen, The Netherlands, #Axon1362); AS-604850 (PI 3-K $\gamma$   
848 Inhibitor II, Calbiochem) [9] from Sigma Aldrich (#528108); Gedatolisib (PF-05212384,  
849 PKI587) [63] from Bionet (Camelford, UK, #FE-0013); Omipalisib (GSK2126458, GSK458)  
850 [62] from LuBioScience GmbH (Zurich, Switzerland, #S2658); NVS-PI3-4 [15,60] and  
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866 numbers (PDB: 7JWE, 7JX0, 7JWZ). The mass spectrometry proteomics data have been  
867 deposited to the ProteomeXchange Consortium via the PRIDE partner repository[83] with  
868 the dataset identifier PXD021132. All data generated or analyzed during this study are  
869 included in the manuscript and supporting files. Specifically biochemical kinase assay  
870 data are included in the source data files.

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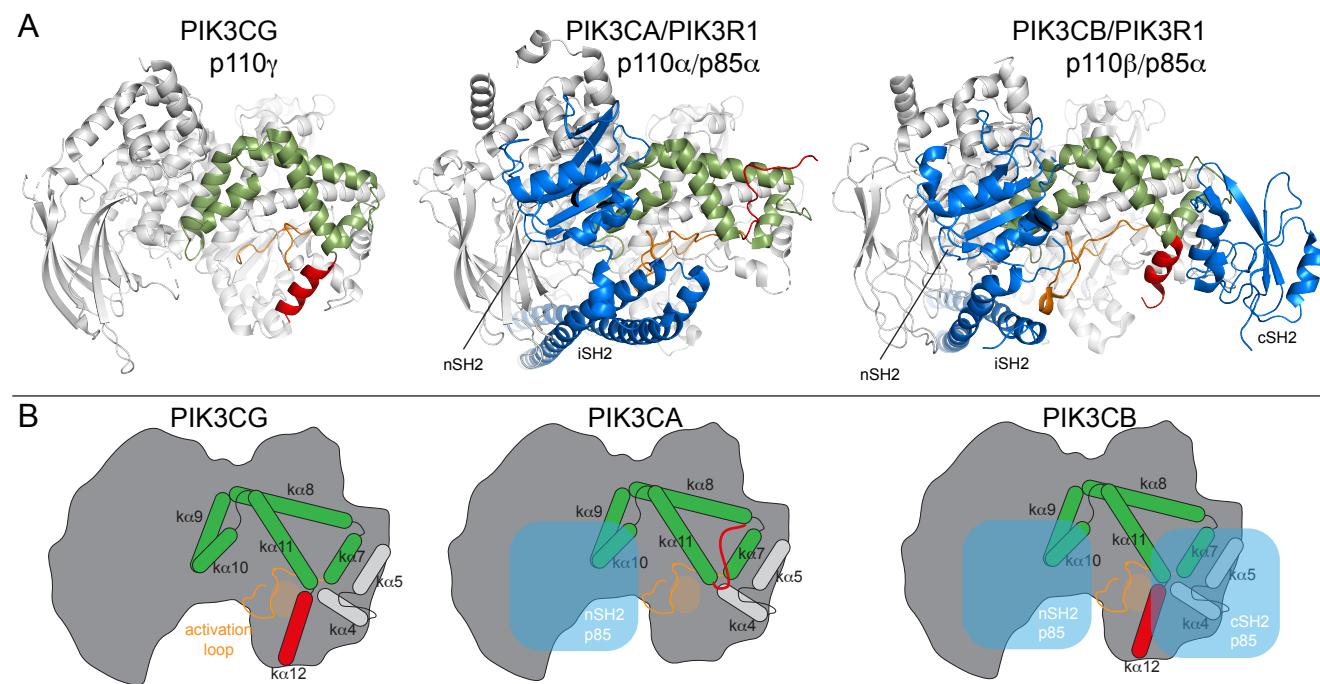
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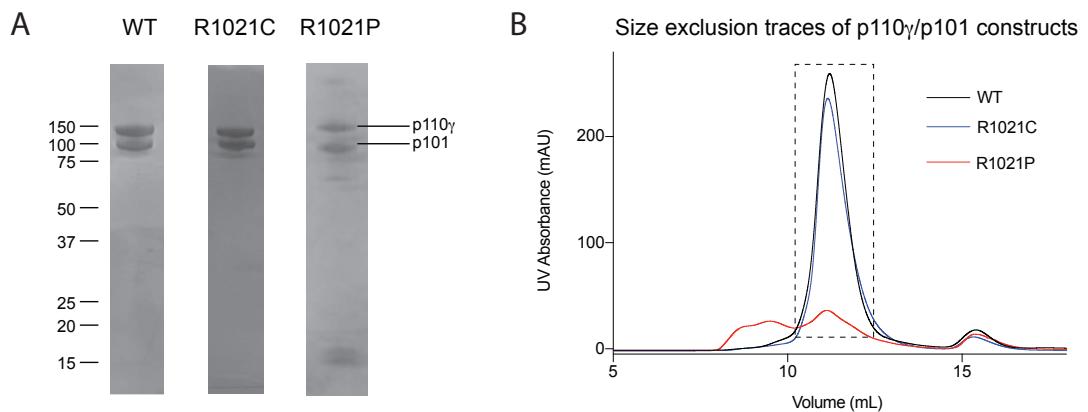
## Supplemental information: Supplemental Figures and Tables



**Figure S1 (relates to Fig 1). Comparing the different regulatory mechanisms that maintain the c-terminal regulatory motif in an inhibited state in the class I PI3Ks.**

**(A)** A structural model comparing the architecture of the C-terminal regulatory motif in PIK3CG (PI3K $\gamma$ , PDB: 6AUD[1]). PIK3CA (PI3K $\alpha$ , PDB: 4JPS [2]), PIK3CB (PI3K $\beta$ , PDB: 2Y3A [3]). The activation loop is shown in orange, with the  $\kappa\alpha 12$  helix shown in red (not a helix in PI3K $\alpha$ ). The p85 regulatory subunits interacting with the motif in PI3K $\alpha$  and PI3K $\beta$  are shown in blue, with the domains of the nSH2, iSH2, and cSH2 annotated on the structure.

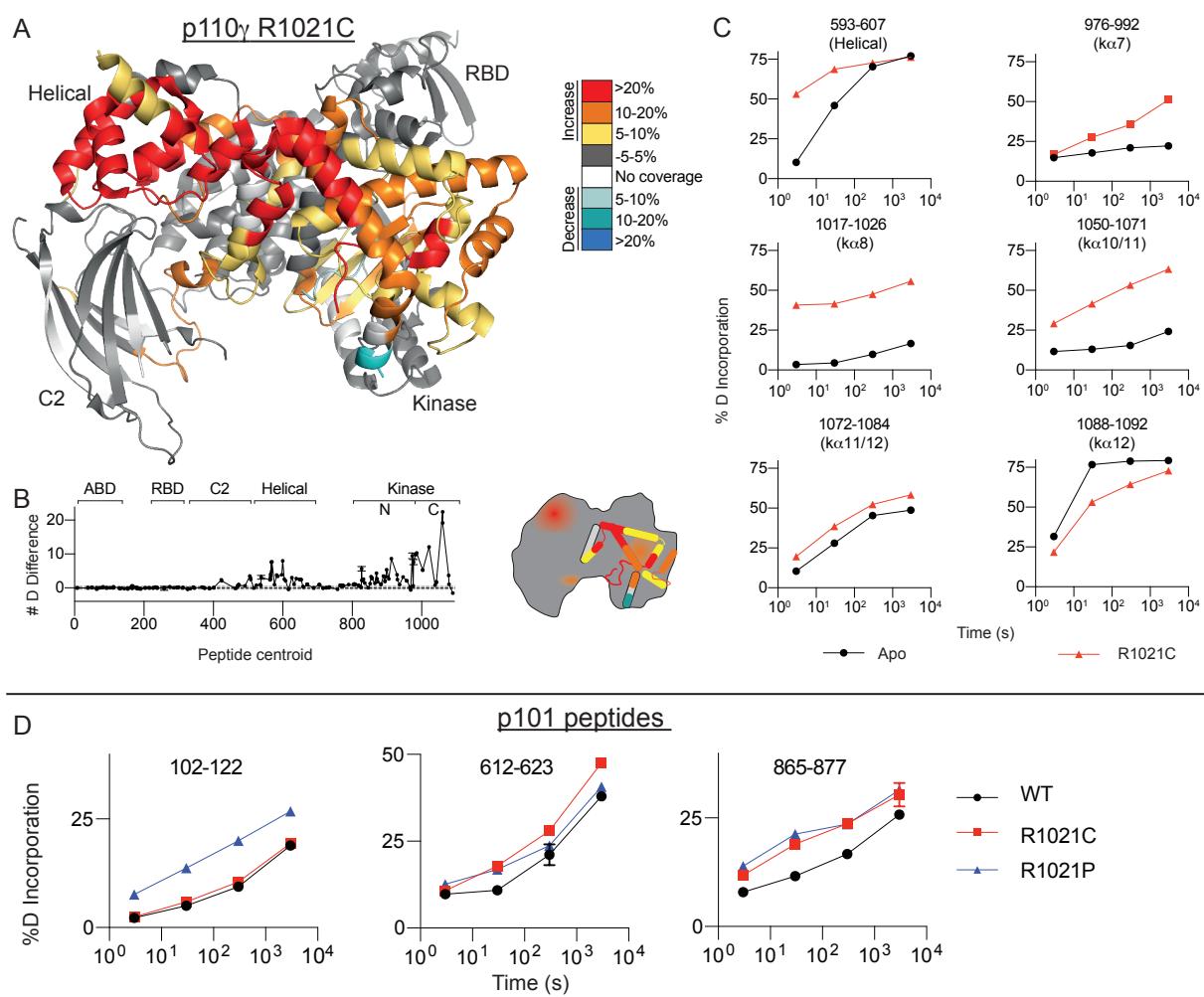
**(B)** Cartoon model shown in the same format as in Figure 1, highlighting the regulatory motif and its interaction with regulatory proteins.



**Figure S2 (relates to Fig 2). Purification of mutated p110 $\gamma$  / p101 complexes.**

**(A)** SDS-page analysis of the final complexes after size exclusion chromatography. The location of size markers are shown on the left.

**(B)** Gel filtration elution of the wild type and mutant p110 $\gamma$  / p101 complexes on a Superdex<sup>TM</sup> 200 10/300 GL Increase column.



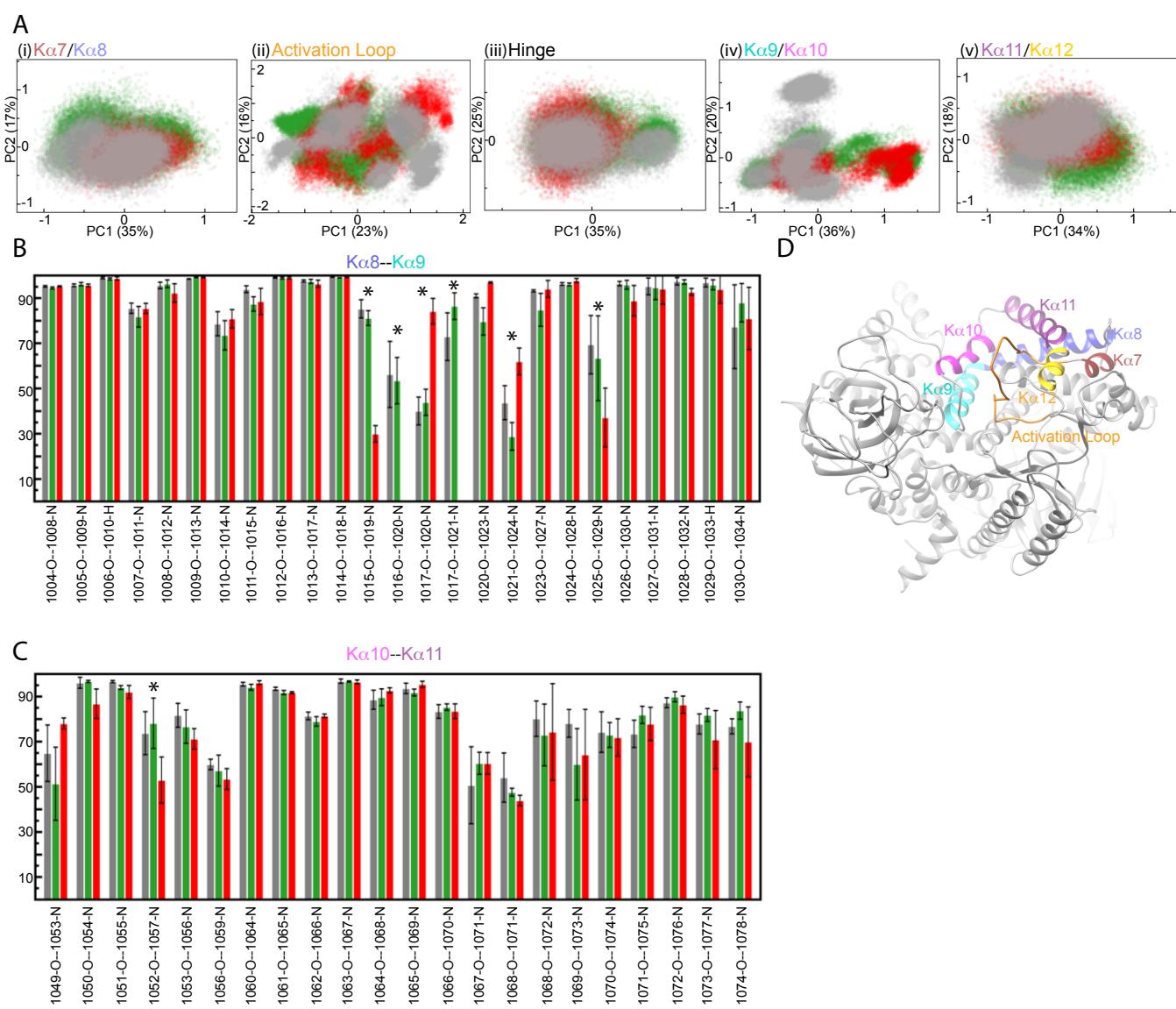
**Figure S3.** Differences in HDX for the R1021C mutation in free p110 $\gamma$ .

**A.** Peptides showing significant deuterium exchange differences (>5 %, >0.4 kDa and  $p < 0.01$  in an unpaired two-tailed t-test) between p110 $\gamma$  wild-type and R1021C. Differences are colored on a model of p110 $\gamma$  (PDB: 6AUD).

**B.** The number of deuterium difference for the R1021C mutant for all peptides analysed over the entire deuterium exchange time course for p110 $\gamma$ .

**C.** Selected p110 $\gamma$  peptides that showed decreases and increases in exchange are shown. The full list of all peptides and their deuterium incorporation is shown in Supplementary Data 1.

**D.** Selected p101 peptides that showed differences in exchange are shown. The full list of all peptides and their deuterium incorporation is shown in Supplementary Data 1.

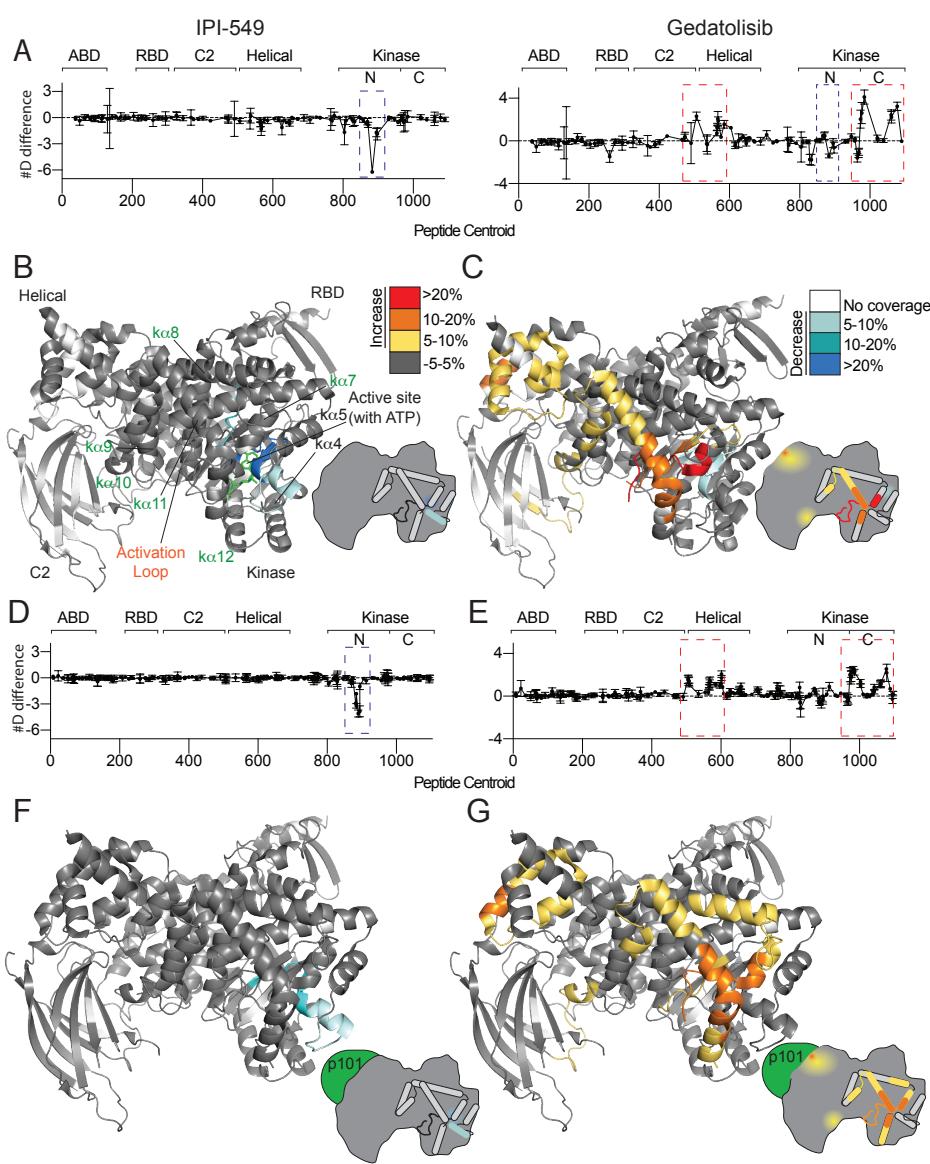


**Figure S4. Differences between molecular dynamic simulations of WT, R1021C, and R1021P.**

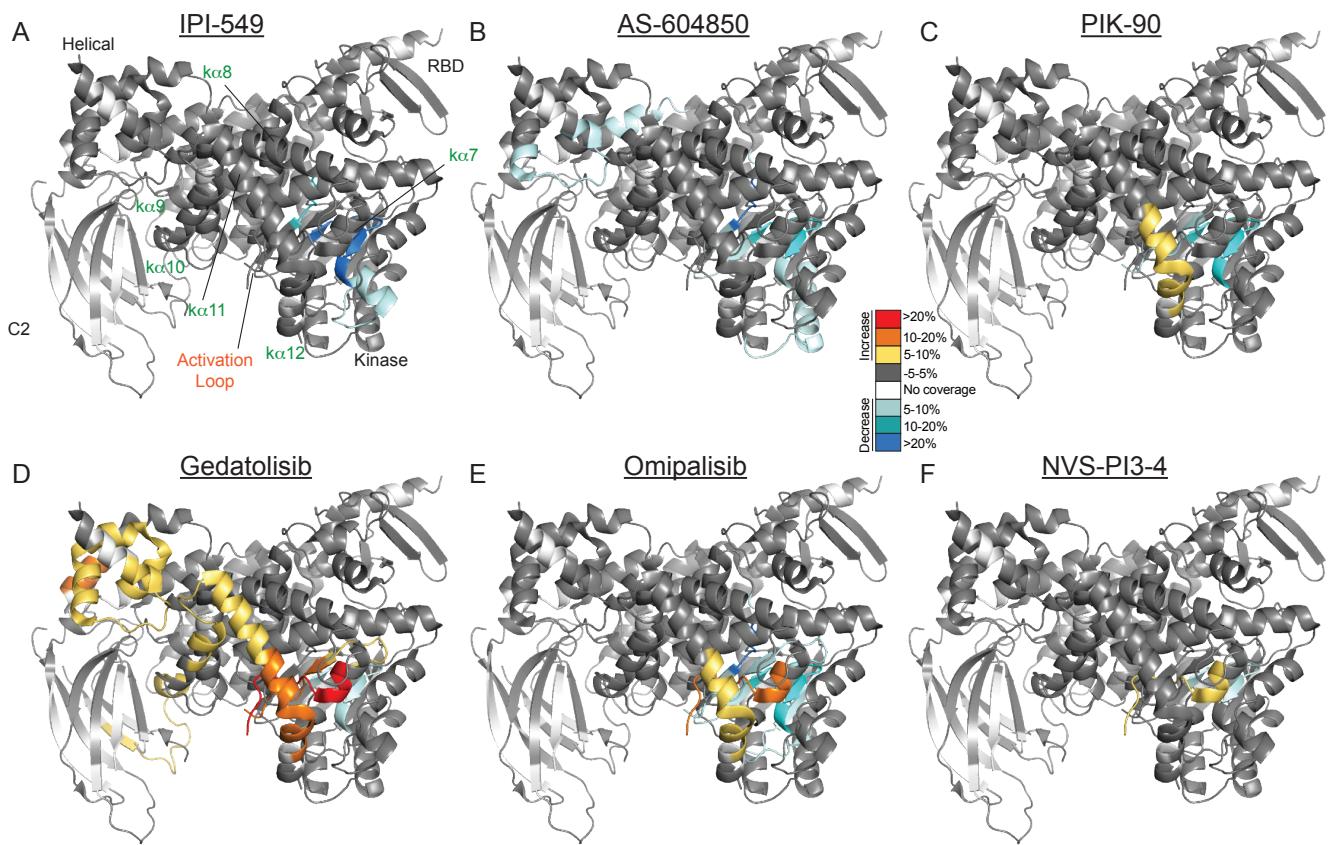
**A.** Principal component analysis (PCA) plots showing PC1 vs. PC2 of  $\text{K}\alpha 7/8$  (989-1023), Activation loop (962-988), hinge (879-887),  $\text{K}\alpha 9/10$  (1024-1054) and  $\text{K}\alpha 11/12$  (1057-1088) for WT (grey), R1021C (green) and R1021P (red)

**B-C.** The mean and standard deviation of hydrogen bonding occupancies between  $\text{K}\alpha 8$  and  $\text{K}\alpha 9$  (B),  $\text{K}\alpha 10$  and  $\text{K}\alpha 11$  (C) across replicates for WT (grey), R1021C (green) and R1021P (red). Asterisks indicate significant differences between WT and mutants.

**D.** Model of p110 $\gamma$  showing helices in the C-terminal regulatory motif and the activation loop.

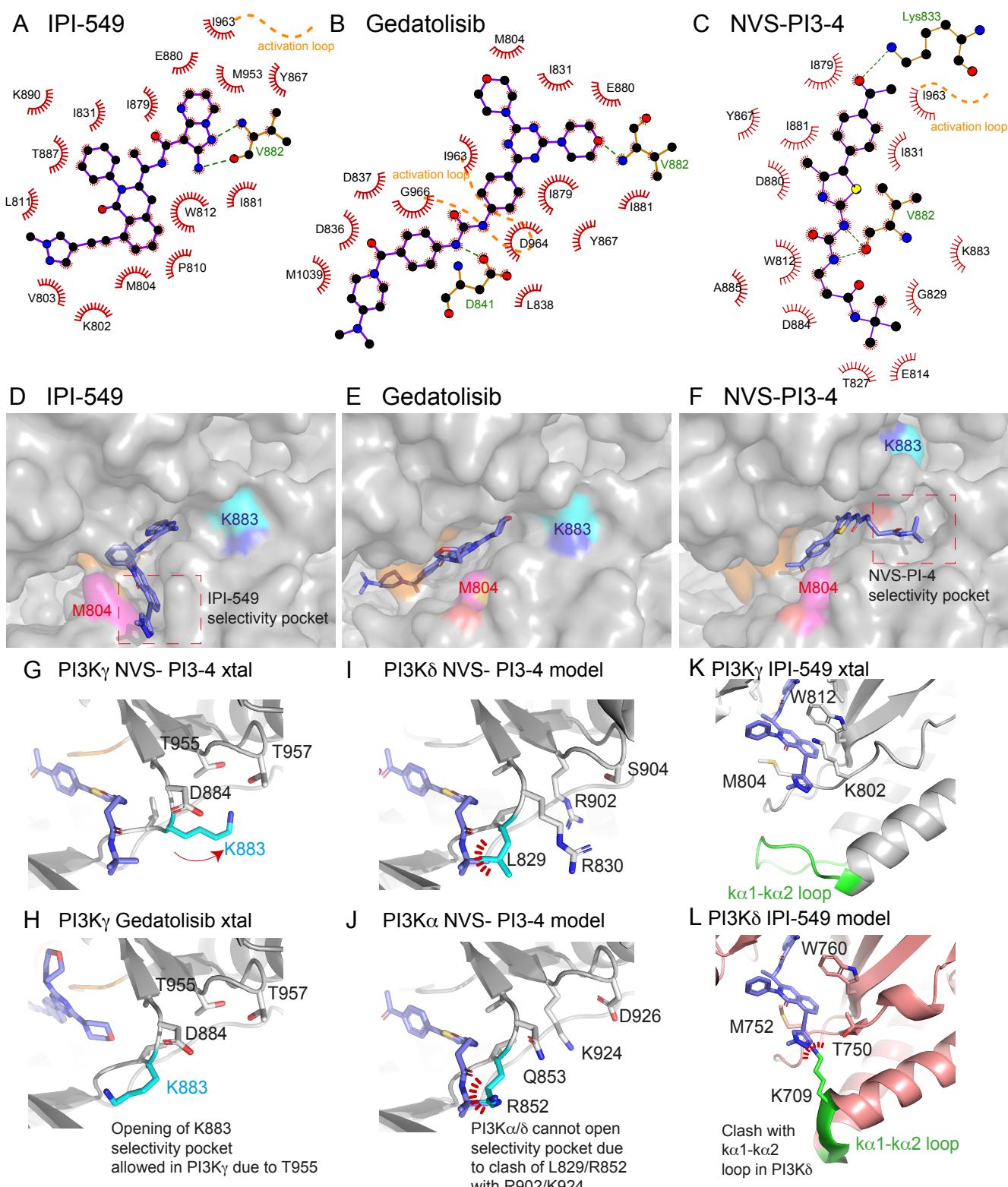


**D. The number of deuteron difference for p110 $\gamma$ /p101 with selected inhibitors for all peptides analysed over the entire deuterium exchange time course for p110 $\gamma$  and p101.**



**Figure S6. HDX-MS reveals that different classes of PI3K inhibitors lead to unique allosteric conformational changes.**

**A-F.** Peptides showing significant deuterium exchange differences (>5 %, >0.4 kDa and p<0.01 in an unpaired two-tailed t-test) between wild-type and six different inhibitors are colored on a model of p110 $\gamma$  (PDB: 6AUD). Differences in exchange are mapped according to the legend.



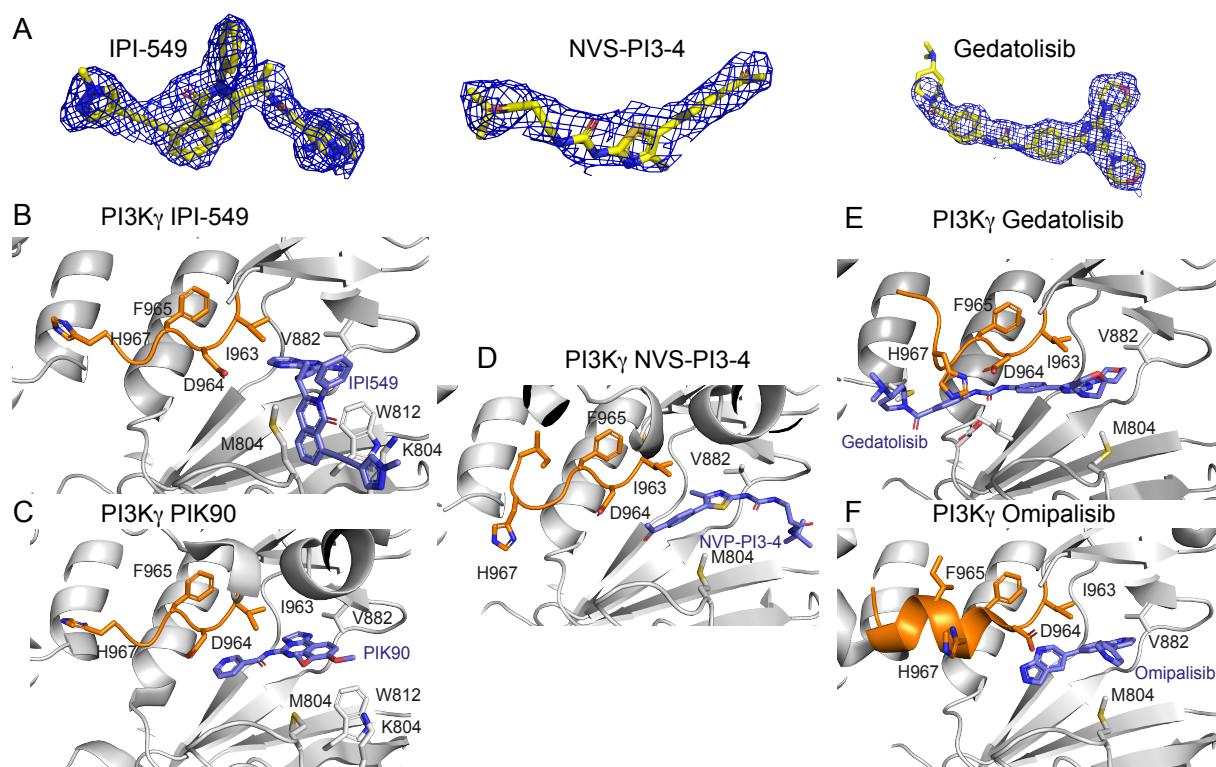
**Figure S7: Structures of Gedatolisib and IPI-549 bound to p110 $\gamma$**

**A-C.** LigPlot+ [4] representations of p110 $\gamma$  bound to (A) IPI-549, (B) Gedatolisib, and (C) NVS-PI3-4. Hydrogen bonds are shown in green. All inhibitors form hydrogen bonds (green) with V882 in the hinge. The activation loop is shown as an orange dotted line.

**D-E.** Comparison of Gedatolisib, IPI-549, and NVS-PI3-4 bound to p110 $\gamma$  with the activation loop and selectivity pockets highlighted. M804 and K883 that change conformation upon selectivity pocket opening are colored magenta and cyan, respectively.

**G-J.** Molecular basis for NVS-PI3-4 for p110 $\gamma$  over p110 $\alpha/\delta$ . The structure of p110 $\gamma$  bound to NVS-PI3-4 (**G**) compared to p110 $\gamma$  bound to Gedatolisib (**H**), revealed a conformational change in K883 leading to opening of pocket accommodating the t-butyl motif. Comparing this to a model of p110 $\delta$  (PDB: 5DXU) [5] (**I**) and p110 $\alpha$  (PDB: 4JPS) [2] (**J**) with NVS-PI3-4 revealed that this pocket is unlikely to open with L829 in p110 $\delta$  and R852 in p110 $\alpha$  (corresponds to K883 in p110 $\gamma$ ) unable to adopt this conformational change due to steric clashes / electrostatic repulsion with R902 in p110 $\delta$  and K924 in p110 $\alpha$  (corresponds to T955 in p110 $\gamma$ ).

**K-L.** Molecular basis for IPI-549 specificity for p110 $\gamma$  over p110 $\delta$ . The structure of p110 $\gamma$  bound to IPI-549 (**H**) compared to a model of IPI-549 bound to p110 $\delta$  (**I**), based on the structure of p110 $\delta$  bound to the specificity pocket inhibitor Idelalisib (PDB: 4XE0) [6]. K802 and W812 in p110 $\gamma$  are labelled, along with the corresponding residues in p110 $\delta$ . The  $\kappa 1$ - $\kappa 2$  loop is green, with potential clashes in p110 $\delta$  with the methylpyrazole of IPI-549 highlighted.



**Fig. S8. Binding of IPI-549, NVS-PI3-4, and Gedatolisib lead to different conformations of the activation loop of p110 $\gamma$**

**A.** The electron density from a feature enhanced map [7] around IPI-549, NVS-PI3-4, and Gedatolisib contoured at 1 sigma.

**B-F.** Conformations of the activation loop of p110 $\gamma$  in the presence of annotated inhibitors. Structures of PIK90, and Omipalisib bound to p110 $\gamma$  were from PDB: 2CHX[8] and 3I54[9], respectively.

Data set	Apo p110 $\gamma$ (mutants)	R1021C	p110 $\gamma$ / p101	R1021C p110 $\gamma$ p101	R1021P p110 $\gamma$ p101
HDX reaction details	%D <sub>2</sub> O=87.9% pH <sub>(read)</sub> =7.5 Temp=18°C	%D <sub>2</sub> O=87.9% pH <sub>(read)</sub> =7.5 Temp=18°C	%D <sub>2</sub> O=62.0% pH <sub>(read)</sub> =7.5 Temp=18°C	%D <sub>2</sub> O=62.0% pH <sub>(read)</sub> =7.5 Temp=18°C	%D <sub>2</sub> O=62.0% pH <sub>(read)</sub> =7.5 Temp=18°C
HDX time course (seconds)	3, 30, 300, 3000	3, 30, 300, 3000	3, 30, 300, 3000	3, 30, 300, 3000	3, 30, 300, 3000
HDX controls	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Back-exchange	Corrected based on %D <sub>2</sub> O				
Number of peptides	204	202	153	153	152
Sequence coverage	92.7%	92.5%	92.7%	92.7%	91.7%
Average peptide /redundancy	Length=14.0 Redundancy= 2.4	Length=14.0 Redundancy= 2.4	Length=14.8 Redundancy= 2.0	Length=14.8 Redundancy= 2.0	Length=14.8 Redundancy= 2.0
Replicates	3 (2 3000s, 2 300s)	3 (2 300s)	3	3	3
Repeatability	Average StDev=0.5%	Average StDev=0.5%	Average StDev=0.6%	Average StDev=0.6%	Average StDev=0.6%
Significant differences in HDX	>5% and >0.4 Da and unpaired t-test ≤0.01	>5% and >0.4 Da and unpaired t-test ≤0.01	>5% and >0.4 Da and unpaired t-test ≤0.01	>5% and >0.4 Da and unpaired t-test ≤0.01	>5% and >0.4 Da and unpaired t-test ≤0.01
<b>Apo p110<math>\gamma</math> (inhibitor)</b>	<b>+ IPI-549</b>	<b>+ AZg1/AZ</b>	<b>+ AS-605240</b>	<b>+ Gedatolisib</b>	<b>+ Omipalisib</b>
%D <sub>2</sub> O=75.5% pH <sub>(read)</sub> =7.5 Temp=18°C					
3, 30, 300, 3000	3, 30, 300, 3000	3, 30, 300, 3000	3, 30, 300, 3000	3, 30, 300, 3000	3, 30, 300, 3000
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Corrected based on %D <sub>2</sub> O					
180	180	180	180	180	180
88.6%	88.6%	88.6%	88.6%	88.6%	88.6%
Length= 13.4 Redundancy= 2.2					
3	3	3	3	3	3
Average StDev=0.9%					
>5% and >0.4 Da and unpaired t-test ≤0.01	>5% and >0.4 Da and unpaired t-test ≤0.01	>5% and >0.4 Da and unpaired t-test ≤0.01	>5% and >0.4 Da and unpaired t-test ≤0.01	>5% and >0.4 Da and unpaired t-test ≤0.01	>5% and >0.4 Da and unpaired t-test ≤0.01
<b>+ RD-HBC 520</b>	<b>+ PIK-90</b>	<b>Apo p110<math>\gamma</math>/p101 (p101+inhibitor)</b>	<b>+ IPI-549 (p101)</b>	<b>+ Gedatolisib (p101)</b>	
%D <sub>2</sub> O=75.5% pH <sub>(read)</sub> =7.5 Temp=18°C					
3, 30, 300, 3000	3, 30, 300, 3000	3, 30, 300, 3000	3, 30, 300, 3000	3, 30, 300, 3000	
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Corrected based on %D <sub>2</sub> O					
180	180	228	228	228	
88.6%	88.6%	96.3%	96.3%	96.3%	
Length= 13.4 Redundancy= 2.2	Length= 13.4 Redundancy= 2.2	Length= 14.1 Redundancy= 2.9	Length= 14.1 Redundancy= 2.9	Length= 13.4 Redundancy= 2.2	
3	3	3	3	3	
Average StDev=0.9%					
>5% and >0.4 Da and unpaired t-test ≤0.01	>5% and >0.4 Da and unpaired t-test ≤0.01	>5% and >0.4 Da and unpaired t-test ≤0.01	>5% and >0.4 Da and unpaired t-test ≤0.01	>5% and >0.4 Da and unpaired t-test ≤0.01	

**Table S1.** Full HDX-MS experimental conditions and data analysis parameters from the guidelines of the IC-HDX-MS community [10].

	Compound	Structure	Reference (PMIDs)	PDB	IC <sub>50</sub> PI3K $\alpha$ (nM)	IC <sub>50</sub> PI3K $\beta$ (nM)	IC <sub>50</sub> PI3K $\delta$ (nM)	IC <sub>50</sub> PI3K $\gamma$ (nM)
1	IPI-549		27660692	This study	3200	3500	>8400	16
2	PIK-90		19318683	2CHX	11	350	58	18
3	AS-604850		16127437	2A4Z	4500	>20000	>20000	250
4	Gedatolisib PF-05212384 PKI587		20166697	This study	0.4	-	-	5.4
5	Omipalisib (GSK2126458, GSK458)		24900173	3L08	0.0019 (K <sub>i</sub> )	0.13 (K <sub>i</sub> )	0.024 (K <sub>i</sub> )	0.06 (K <sub>i</sub> )
6	NVS-PI3-4		23029326	This study	1800	250	750	90
7	AZ2		30718815	N.D.	3981	31622	200	0.3

**Table S2.** List of all PI3K inhibitors analysed in this manuscript. IC<sub>50</sub>s for class IA and IB are listed from the reference attached. N.D. is not determined.

**Table S3 X-ray Data collection and refinement statistics**

	PI3K $\gamma$ IPI549	PI3K $\gamma$ Gedatolisib	PI3K $\gamma$ NVS-PI3-4
<b>Data collection</b>			
Wavelength	0.97949	0.97949	0.97949
Space group	C121	C121	C121
Cell dimensions			
$a, b, c$ (Å)	144.3, 67.9, 106.4	143.5, 67.6, 106.3	143.6 67.6 106.8
$\alpha, \beta, \gamma$ (°)	90 94.5 90	90, 95.4, 90	90 95.4 90
Resolution (Å)	44.4 - 2.65 (2.74 - 2.65)*	40.72-2.55 (2.64- 2.55)	40.93 - 3.15 (3.26 - 3.15)
$R_{\text{merge}}$	0.125 (1.919)	0.061 (1.349)	0.119 (1.118)
$I / \sigma I$	7.1 (0.69)	11.91 (0.87)	7.92 (0.84)
CC1/2	0.992 (0.407)	0.999 (0.385)	0.994 (0.425)
Completeness (%)	98.9 (98.23)	99.41 (99.40)	98.08 (99.04)
Redundancy	3.3 (3.4)	3.3 (3.4)	3.0 (3.0)
<b>Refinement</b>			
Resolution (Å)	44.4 - 2.65 (2.74 - 2.65)	40.72-2.55 (2.64- 2.55)	40.93 - 3.15 (3.26 - 3.15)
No. unique reflections	29722 (2941)	33183 (3303)	17573 (1761)
$R_{\text{work}} / R_{\text{free}}$	22.7/26.8	20.9/25.3	22.9/27.4
No. atoms			
Protein	6752	6612	6506
Ligand/ion	40	45	28
Water	0	9	0
$B$ -factors			
Protein	100.4	88.9	108.2
Ligand/ion	88.3	78.7	117.2
Water		65.5	
Ramachandran favored	94.47	95.21	96.51
Ramachandran outliers	0.61	0.0	0.13
Rotamer outliers	0.53	0.41	0.0
R.m.s. deviations			
Bond lengths (Å)	0.003	0.003	0.004
Bond angles (°)	0.53	0.59	0.56

\*Values in parentheses are for highest-resolution shell.

Number of crystals used for structure=1

**Source data figure legend. Summary of all HDX-MS peptide data (see attached excel source data file).** The charge state (Z), residue start (S), residue end number (E), and retention time (RT) are displayed for every peptide. Data listed is the mean of 3 independent experiments, with SDs presented. Time points are labelled, and the relative level of HDX is coloured according to the legend.

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