Use multiscale simulation to explore the effect of homo-

dimerization between different conformation states on the

activation and allosteric pathway for µ-opioid receptor

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Supporting information

Table S1. The averaged distances of TM3-TM6 (Å) over the last 10 μs trajectories of the 100 μs simulations for each parallel MD and their averaged values (labelled as Average) over the three parallel MDs.

| | Average | Simulation 1 | Simulation 2 | Simulation 3 |
|--------------------------------|---------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Inactive Monomer | 12.6 | 12.2 | 14.3 | 11.4 |
| Active Monomer | 8.3 | 8.1 | 9.8 | 6.9 |
| Protomer A of I-I dimer | 14.1 | 13.7 | 16.1 | 12.4 |
| Protomer B of I-I dimer | 6.7 | 6.2 | 8.1 | 5.9 |
| Inactive Protomer of A-I dimer | 11.9 | 11.4 | 13.9 | 10.3 |
| Active Protomer of A-I dimer | 7.5 | 7.2 | 8.7 | 6.5 |

Table S2. The averaged distances of TM5-TM7 (Å) over the last 10 μs trajectories of the 100 μs simulations for each parallel MD and their averaged values (labelled as

| | Average | Simulation 1 | Simulation 2 | Simulation 3 |
|--------------------------------|---------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Inactive Monomer | 21.3 | 20.8 | 23.8 | 19.3 |
| Active Monomer | 21.0 | 20.8 | 23.1 | 19.0 |
| Protomer A of I-I dimer | 17.1 | 16.4 | 19.5 | 15.3 |
| Protomer B of I-I dimer | 19.2 | 18.4 | 22.3 | 16.8 |
| Inactive Protomer of A-I dimer | 8.4 | 8.1 | 9.7 | 7.4 |
| Active Protomer of A-I dimer | 13.4 | 12.7 | 14.1 | 13.5 |

Average) over the three parallel MDs.

| Average) over the three parallel MDS. | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | Average | Simulation 1 | Simulation 2 | Simulation 3 |
| Inactive Monomer | 16.2 | 15.9 | 17.7 | 15.1 |
| Active Monomer | 14.9 | 14.8 | 16.2 | 13.6 |
| Protomer A of I-I diimer | 7.9 | 7.5 | 9.8 | 6.3 |
| Protomer B of I-I diimer | 29.2 | 28.2 | 32.3 | 27.2 |
| Inactive Protomer of A-I dimer | 9.8 | 9.7 | 10.9 | 8.7 |
| Active Protomer of A-I dimer | 11.8 | 11.7 | 13.1 | 10.6 |

Table S3. The averaged distances of TM3-TM7 (Å) over the last 10 μs trajectories of the 100 μs simulations for each parallel MD and their average values (labelled as

Average) over the three parallel MDs.

Simulation 1 Simulation 2 Simulation 3 ECL2 -0.4 -1.1 -0.2 Inactive Monomer ICL1-H8 -3.4 -4.0 -3.0 NPxxY -0.2 -0.4 -1.1 -0.1 -0.2 -0.3 ECL2 Active Monomer ICL1-H8 1.9 1.6 1.2 NPxxY 0.3 0.2 0.2 ECL2 -1.0 -2.3 -0.5 Protomer A of I-I dimer ICL1-H8 0.5 0.1 0.7 NPxxY 0.2 0.1 0.3 -1.1 -1.4 -1.9 ECL2 Protomer B of I-I dimer -2.1 -1.8 ICL1-H8 -2.6 -1.1 NPxxY -1.3 -1.7 ECL2 -0.2 -0.4 -0.2 Inactive protomer of A-I ICL1-H8 -0.2 -0.5 -0.3 dimer NPxxY 0.9 1.2 0.8 0.4 ECL2 0.6 0.7 Active protomer of A-I dimer ICL1-H8 2.6 2.1 2.5 NPxxY 0.9 1.0 1.2

Table S4. The Δ RMSD values (Å) over the three parallel MD simulations for three key regions in each receptor unit of the four systems, derived from the last 10 µs equilibrium trajectories of 100 µs simulation ^{*a*}.

^a Δ RMSD=RMSD_{inactive}-RMSD_{active}; RMSD_{inactive} denote RMSD relative to the active crystal structure; RMSD_{active} denote RMSD relative to the inactive crystal structure.

Table S5. The high correlated regions with the absolute values of correlation

 coefficients larger than 0.6 for the receptor in the four systems, derived from the last

| | simulation times | | |
|--------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|--|
| System | Simulation 1 | Simulation 2 | Simulation 3 |
| Inactive Monomer | TM6-TM7 | TM6-TM7 TM1-TM7 | TM6-TM7 |
| Active Monomer | TM5-TM6 TM3-TM6 TM4-TM5 | TM5-TM6 TM3-TM6 TM4-TM5 | TM5-TM6 TM3-TM6 TM4-TM5 |
| Protomer A of I-I dimer | None | None | None |
| Protomer B of I-I dimer | TM2-TM3 TM3-TM4 TM2-TM4 TM3-TM5 | TM2-TM3 TM4-TM5 TM3-TM5 | TM2-TM3 TM3-TM4 TM2-TM4 TM3-TM5 |
| Inactive protomer of A-I dimer | None | None | None |
| Active protomer of A-I dimer | TM3-TM5 TM1-TM7 TM2-TM7 | TM3-TM5 TM1-TM7 TM2-TM7 | TM3-TM5 TM1-TM7 TM2-TM7 |

100 ns trajectories of the three parallel all-atom MD simulations with 200 ns

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|---|--------------|---|---|
| | Simulation 1 | Simulation 2 | Simulation 3 |
| | 82.6% | 70.1% | 87.9% |
| | 87.4% | 78.0% | 73.5% |
| | 52.3% | 41.6% | 48.1% |
| | 51.2% | 42.6% | 58.9% |
| | 63.1% | 58.3% | 70.1% |
| | 60.5% | 65.8% | 57.6% |
| | | 82.6% 87.4% 52.3% 51.2% 63.1% | 82.6% 70.1% 87.4% 78.0% 52.3% 41.6% 51.2% 42.6% 63.1% 58.3% |

Table S6. The highest frequency of the pathway from the ligand-binding pocket to the

G-protein binding region for the three parallel MDs.

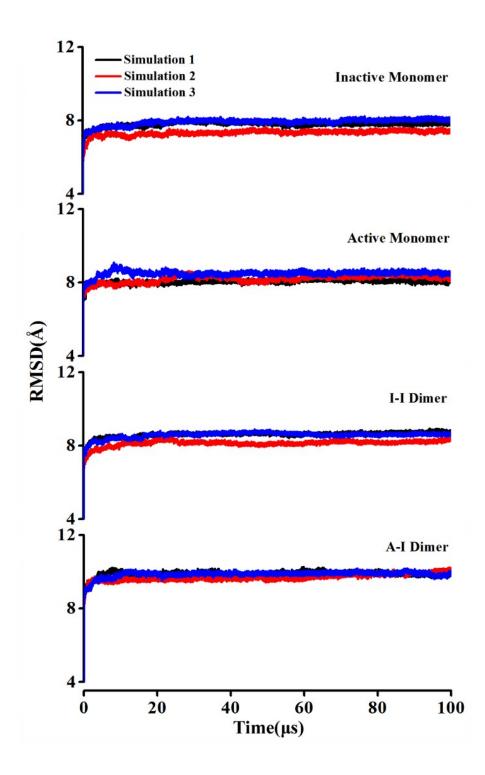


Figure S1. The RMSD values of backbone particles of the entire receptor system with respect to their initial structures for three parallel CGMD simulations.

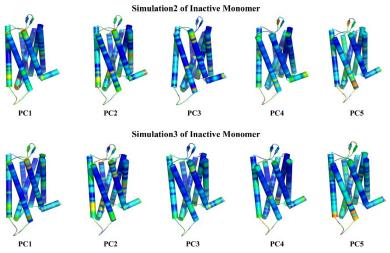


Figure S2. The projection of the first five eigenvectors for the other two parallel simulations (*e.g.*, simulation 2 and simulation 3) with the exception of simulation 1 in the text for the inactive monomer. The colours from red to blue correspond to the mobility from large to small.

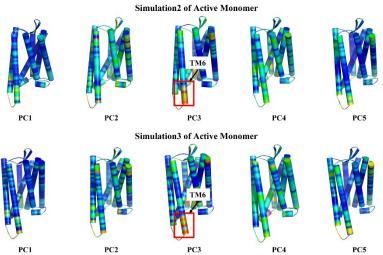


Figure S3. The projection of the first five eigenvectors for the other two parallel simulations (*e.g.*, simulation 2 and simulation 3) with the exception of simulation 1 in text for the active monomer. The colours from red to blue correspond to the mobility from large to small.

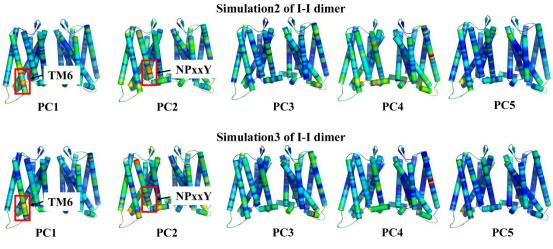


Figure S4. The projection of the first five eigenvectors for the other two parallel simulations (*e.g.*, simulation 2 and simulation 3) of the I-I dimer. The colors from red to blue correspond to the mobility from large to small.

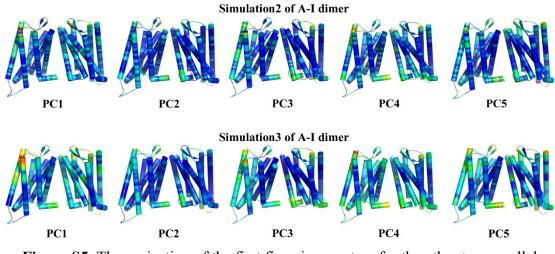


Figure S5. The projection of the first five eigenvectors for the other two parallel simulations (*e.g.*, simulation 2 and simulation 3) with the exception of simulation 1 in text for the A-I dimer. The colors from red to blue correspond to the mobility from large to small.