Supplementary Material for

State-Selective Frustration as a Key Driver of Allosteric Pluripotency

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SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURES



Figure S1. Correlation plot of chemical shifts of WT R_A apo *vs.* R209K R_A apo. The closed and the open circles represent the chemical shift for ¹H and ¹⁵N (downscaled by 0.1), respectively.



Figure S2. Urea-induced unfolding curves for R209K. **(a)** Urea-induced unfolding curve for apo R209K R_A (91-244). **(b)** Similar to (a) but in the presence of excess Rp-cAMPS (2 mM). **(c)** Similar to (a) but for the R_{AB} (91-379) construct. **(d)** Similar to (b) but in the presence of excess Rp-cAMPS (500 μ M).



Figure S3. Urea-induced unfolding curves for WT. **(a)** Urea-induced unfolding curve for apo WT R_A (91-244). **(b)** Similar to (a) but in the presence of excess Rp-cAMPS (500 μ M). **(c)** Similar to (a) but for the R_{AB} (91-379) construct. **(d)** Similar to (b) but for R_{AB} (91-379) construct.



Figure S4. Dissociation constants of cAMP from PKA R1a CBD-A in the absence and presence of R209K and/or the inter-domain interactions. (a) Chemical shift-based isotherm for the binding of cAMP to R209K CBD-A in the absence of inter-domain interaction (*i.e.* R_A construct) using the NMR monitored titration shown in (b). (c) Isotherm for the binding of cAMP to R209K CBD-A in the presence of inter-domain interaction (*i.e.* R_{AB} construct) built through the saturation transfer difference (STD) experiment. The STD amplification factors (STD_{af}) are normalized to the STD_{af,max} and plotted against the total cAMP concentration. (d) Table of K_d values of cAMP dissociation from PKA R1a CBD-A in the absence and presence of R209K and/or the inter-domain interactions. The superscript ^a denotes K_d values computed based on reference 39 ³⁹. The $\Delta G_{coupling}$ computed using equation (3) and the K_d values in panel d falls in the -0.6 to 0.6 RT range.

Table S1. Summary of the Initial Structures of PKA R1a-subunit Used in the MD Simulations

| Structure | R209K Mutation | Bound Ligand | | Simulation |
|-----------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| | Present? (Y/N) | In CNB-A | In CNB-B | Length (ns) |
| | | domain | domain | |
| R _p -cAMPS-bound | N | R _p -cAMPS | R _p -cAMPS | 400 |
| wild-type | | 1 | I | |
| R _p -cAMPS-bound | Y | R _p -cAMPS | R _p -cAMPS | 400 |
| R209K mutant | | | 1 | |