## **Supporting Information**

## Identification of Functional Substates of KRas during GTP

## Hydrolysis with Enhanced Sampling Simulations

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Figure S8 Overlapped representative structures of conformations of KRas<sup>GEF</sup><sub>S1</sub>, KRas<sup>GEF</sup>GDP·Mg<sup>2+</sup>s1 and KRas<sup>GEF</sup>GTP·Mg<sup>2+</sup>.

Figure S9 Calculated RMSD values of the heavy atoms of the high-energy structures.

PDB ID	State
3GFT	<b>S2</b>
40BE	<b>S1</b>
5W22	<b>S1</b>
6MBT	<b>S1</b>
6MBU	<b>S1</b>
6EPL	<b>GEF·KRas</b>
6OB2	GAP·KRas
6OB3	GAP·KRas <sub>G13D</sub>
1WQ1	GAP·HRas
2MSE	Raf·KRas
<b>4G0N</b>	Raf·HRas

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**Figure S1.** Distance restraints applied to the hydrogen-bonding network at the active sites of HRasGTP·Mg<sup>2+</sup> and HRasGDP·Mg<sup>2+</sup>. (a) The dashed lines denote the six distance restraints (with equilibrium values based on the corresponding crystal structure and a force constant of 500 kcal/mol/Å<sup>2</sup>) applied to the Mg<sup>2+</sup> ion, the oxygen atoms of GTP, D57, S17 and the water molecule at the active site of KRasGTP·Mg<sup>2+</sup>. (b) The dashed lines denote the five distance restraints applied to the Mg<sup>2+</sup> ion, the oxygen atom of GTP, D57, S17 and the water molecule at the active site of KRasGTP·Mg<sup>2+</sup>. (b) The the five distance restraints applied to the Mg<sup>2+</sup> ion, the oxygen atom of GTP, D57, S17 and the water molecule at the active site of KRasGDP·Mg<sup>2+</sup>.



**Figure S2** The calculated exchange ratios, the RMSD and Rg values of every 50 ns and the distributions of helix and RMSD at different temperatures. (a) The calculated fraction exchange ratios from the REMD simulations of the KRasGTP·Mg<sup>2+</sup><sub>3GFT</sub>, KRasGTP·Mg<sup>2+</sup><sub>4OBE</sub>, KRasGDP·Pi·Mg<sup>2+</sup> and KRasGDP·Mg<sup>2+</sup> are in the moderate range of 0.3-0.5, where the subscripts of the first two structures denote their initial structures. (b) The calculated RMSD and Rg values of every 50 ns of KRasGTP·Mg<sup>2+</sup><sub>3GFT</sub> indicates the convergence of the 100-350 ns REMD trajectory. (c) In the left plot, the calculated probability of helix of the KRasGTP·Mg<sup>2+</sup><sub>3GFT</sub> systems at different temperatures indicates that no unfolding of helices take place. The right plot shows the distribution of the calculated RMSD values of all heavy atoms at each temperature; as expected, the RMSD values generally increase as the temperature increases.



**Figure S3** Comparison for the orientations of Tyr32 in the crystal structures of Raf·KRas and Raf·HRas. Tyr32 in both complexes adopts the "Tyr32<sub>in</sub>" conformation.



**Figure S4** Comparison for the orientations of Tyr32 in the crystal structures of GAP·HRas and HRas. In the complex GAP·HRas, the Arg finger (R789) remains in the proximity of the substate, while Tyr32 is oriented in the "Tyr32<sub>out</sub>" conformation. Tyr32 in 1QRA is also oriented in the "Tyr32<sub>out</sub>" conformation similar to the situation in GAP·HRas.



**Figure S5** Comparison for the conformations of the Arg finger in the crystal structures of GAP·HRas and GAP·KRas. The Arg finger (R789) in GAP·HRas is close to the substate, while Tyr32 adopts the "Tyr32<sub>out</sub>" conformation. By contrast, the Arg finger (R1276) in GAP·KRas remains far from the substate, although Tyr32 also adopts the "Tyr32<sub>out</sub>" orientation.



**Figure S6** H-bond networks at the active sites of KRasGTP·Mg<sup>2+</sup>s<sub>2</sub> and KRasGDP·Pi·Mg<sup>2+</sup>s<sub>2</sub>. (a) The H-bond network at the active site of KRasGTP·Mg<sup>2+</sup>s<sub>2</sub>, where the dashed lines denote the pairwise interactions of the Mg<sup>2+</sup> ion, the oxygen atoms of GTP, D57, S17, T35 and the water molecules. (b) The H-bond network at the active site of KRasGDP·Pi·Mg<sup>2+</sup>s<sub>2</sub>, where the dashed lines denote the pairwise interactions to the Mg<sup>2+</sup> ion, the oxygen atoms of GTP, D57, S17, T35 and the water molecules.



**Figure S7** Calculated RMSD values (relative to 3GFT) for heavy atoms in the three KRas complex systems: KRas<sup>GEF</sup>, KRas<sup>GEF</sup>GDP·Mg<sup>2+</sup> and KRas<sup>GEF</sup>GTP·Mg<sup>2+</sup> in 500 ns unbiased MD trajectories.



**Figure S8** Overlapped representative structures of  $KRas^{GEF}s_1$ ,  $KRas^{GEF}GDP \cdot Mg^{2+}s_1$ and  $KRas^{GEF}GTP \cdot Mg^{2+}s_1$  from 300-ns canonical simulation.



**Figure S9** Calculated RMSD values of the heavy atoms of the high-energy structures. The calculated RMSD curves are relative to the reference 3GFT from the 300 ns MD simulations of KRasGTP·Mg<sup>2+</sup>s<sub>1.2</sub>, KRasGDP·Pi·Mg<sup>2+</sup>s<sub>1.1</sub>, KRasGDP·Pi·Mg<sup>2+</sup>s<sub>1.2</sub> and KRasGDP·Mg<sup>2+</sup>s<sub>1.2</sub> with the initial structures extracted from their 2D-FELs. The RMSD values of KRasGTP·Mg<sup>2+</sup>s<sub>1.2</sub> fluctuate around 4.0 Å, higher than the 3.4 Å of KRasGDP·Pi·Mg<sup>2+</sup>s<sub>1.1</sub> in Figure 3a. The RMSD values of KRasGDP·Pi·Mg<sup>2+</sup>s<sub>1.1</sub> and KRasGDP·Pi·Mg<sup>2+</sup>s<sub>1.2</sub> fluctuate around 3.2 and 4.2 Å, higher than the value of 2.0 Å of KRasGDP·Pi·Mg<sup>2+</sup>s<sub>2</sub> in Figure 4a. The RMSD values of KRasGDP·Mg<sup>2+</sup>s<sub>1.1</sub> in Figure 6a.

