

Assessing Darkness of the Human Kinome from a Medicinal Chemistry Perspective

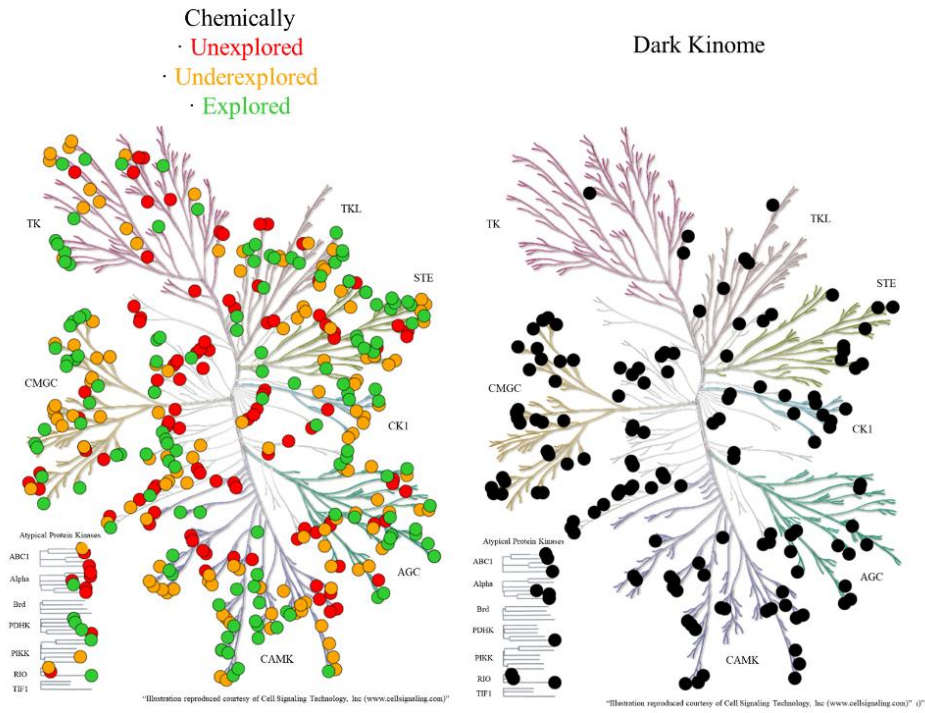
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Graphical Abstract



Abstract

In drug discovery, human protein kinases (PKs) represent one of the major target classes, due to their central role in cellular signaling, implication in various diseases as a consequence of deregulated signaling, and their notable druggability. Individual PKs and their disease biology have been explored to different degrees, giving rise to heterogeneous functional knowledge and disease associations across the human kinome. The U.S. National Institutes of Health previously designated 162 understudied (“dark”) human PKs and lipid kinases, due to the lack of functional annotations and high-quality molecular probes for functional investigations. Given large volumes of available PK inhibitors (PKIs) and activity data, we have systematically analyzed the distribution of PKIs and associated data at different confidence levels across the human kinome and distinguished between chemically explored, underexplored, and unexplored PKs. The analysis provides a medicinal chemistry-centric view of PK exploration and further extends prior assessment of the dark kinome.

Introduction

The human kinome contains 518 wild-type protein kinases (PKs) that are organized into different groups.¹ PKs catalyze the adenosine triphosphate (ATP)-dependent phosphorylation of tyrosine or serine/threonine residues in PKs or other proteins and play a key role in cellular signaling. The transduction of signals into cells is mediated by receptor-associated PKs that initiate phosphorylation cascades involving downstream PKs and other signaling proteins.² Uncontrolled PK activity and abnormal signaling have been implicated in the development and progression of many diseases, making PKs prime targets in drug discovery.^{2,3} In addition to insights from studying PK disease biology, the early-on recognized druggability of the PK catalytic domain further increased the interest in PKs as therapeutic targets and favored small molecular PK inhibitors (PKIs) as drug candidates.⁴ For targeting the catalytic domain, PKIs with varying modes of action were discovered including different types of competitive ATP/active site-directed, allosteric, or covalent inhibitors.⁵⁻⁸ The therapeutic potential of PKIs was first explored and exploited in oncology⁹⁻¹¹ and then in other therapeutic areas¹¹⁻¹³ including neurodegenerative disorders, metabolic diseases, and immunology.¹⁴⁻¹⁶ In 2001, with imatinib, the first PKI was approved for the treatment of chronic leukemia by drugs by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA).⁹ Beginning with imatinib, 80 PKIs have thus far obtained FDA approval¹⁷ and ~200 PKIs are at different stages of clinical development. In addition to clinical compounds, very large numbers of PKIs from medicinal chemistry have become publicly available,¹⁸ which also reflects the intensity of PK drug discovery efforts.

In drug discovery, biological evidence of disease implication of potential targets and availability of relevant active compounds typically determine target priorities. Even if discovered serendipitously, promising targets are then often pursued simultaneously in different pharma

environments, spurred on by “me-tooism”, as exemplified by the dominant early interest in tyrosine PKs as targets for cancer treatment.^{4,10} As a consequence of propagating target preferences, however they might be arrived at, and varying degrees of exploration, there generally is considerable heterogeneity in therapeutic target classes, that is, some targets are intensely investigated whereas others are only little explored. For instance, in 2010, literature analysis of PKs implicated in cancer revealed that ~25% of the human kinome lacked functional annotations and ~50% was only preliminarily studied.¹⁹ Given this imbalance observed for PKs and other major pharmaceutical target classes, the U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH) launched the Illuminating the Druggable Genome (IDG) project aiming to further explore and characterize underinvestigated targets in major druggable gene families including PKs, G protein coupled receptors (GPCRs), and ion channels.²⁰ As a part of this NIH-funded initiative, the Kinase Data and Resource Generating Center (Kinase DRCG) was formed to investigate understudied kinases.²¹ In 2019, the NIH reported a list of 162 human kinases (including PKs and lipid kinases) representing targets for the Kinase DRCG.^{21,22} Criteria for understudied kinases included the lack of literature citations, functional, regulatory, and signaling pathway information as well as the lack of monoclonal antibodies as detection reagents and active compounds as molecular probes (tool compounds) for functional studies (as further discussed below).^{21,23} These understudied kinases were designated “dark kinases” or the “dark kinome” by the IDG Knowledge Management Center and the Dark Kinase Knowledgebase (DKK).^{24,25} The mission of the Kinase DRGC has been -and continues to be- the generation of functional annotations and molecular probes for the designated dark kinases. Therefore, the research consortium developed assays for quantifying kinase gene expression, identifying interaction networks, and detecting compounds with kinase activity in living cells, including molecular probes.²¹ The resulting data are compiled, organized, and made

available in the DKK repository.²⁵ These Kinase DRCG efforts to illuminate dark kinases have been complemented by other studies including the development of a statistical scoring scheme based on differential kinase gene expression and clinical parameters to prioritize understudied kinases as potential cancer targets,²⁶ a kinase ontology for the integration and interactive analysis of functional data,²⁷ and multi-level kinase citation analysis,²⁸ also including database searches for molecular probes.²⁸

While most of the IDG activities and related studies have concentrated on elucidating cellular functions of dark PKs using biological approaches, molecular probes represent the chemical component of the methodological portfolio. In chemical biology, probe compounds were originally introduced to provide an alternative to biological knockout experiments and models for specifically interfering with molecular functions of target proteins and studying functional consequences.²⁹⁻³¹ Compared to genetic approaches that deprive cells of individual target proteins, molecular probes have the advantage of temporal interference and assessment of dose-response behavior. However, to ensure non-ambiguous functional analysis, molecular probes should specifically inhibit their targets and not elicit any secondary effects. Accordingly, stringent criteria are applied to candidate compounds to qualify for inclusion in public probe repositories such as the molecular probes collection of the Structural Genomics Consortium (SGC)^{32,33} or the Chemical Probes Portal (CPP).³⁴ Molecular probe criteria partly differ from and might go beyond early-phase selection criteria for drug candidates. For instance, probes should be potent (nanomolar) inhibitors of a given target, with at least 30-fold selectivity over targets from the same family, and display dose-dependent on-target activity in cells (at no more than 1 μ M concentration).³² In addition, structurally analogous inactive (negative control) compounds should be available. Given these requirements, qualifying molecular probes are typically difficult to obtain. For example, a

recent search in SGC and CPP identified at least one qualifying probe compound for only 129 PKs of the human kinome.²⁸ Furthermore, Kinase DRCG efforts over the past years yielded high-quality tool compounds for only 44 of the 162 understudied kinases.²¹ Thus, given the sparseness of chemical probes, they can complement functional illumination of PKs using biological approaches, but are insufficient for chemically-oriented assessment of PK darkness.

Herein, we report a systematic analysis of the chemical exploration of the human kinome based on large volumes of compound activity data from various public sources at different levels of curation, without pre-conceived notion of previously designated understudied PKs. The results complement functional characterization of the dark kinome with medicinal chemistry-centric analysis of PK exploration.

Results and Discussion

Study concept

Ascertainment of the dark kinome was primarily based thus far on lack of functional information and molecular probes as chemical tools for functional analysis. We have reasoned that the assessment of “chemical exploration” of PKs should complement and further extend functional investigations, especially for drug discovery. Taking into consideration that designated small molecular probes meeting the desired potency, selectivity, and negative control requirements are currently only available for ~25% of the human kinome, probes are clearly insufficient as a measure of chemical exploration of PKs. However, large volumes of public PKIs and their activity data are available to determine the distribution of active compounds across the human kinome and differentiate PKs according to their degree of chemical exploration, that is, varying availability of qualifying PKIs. Therefore, we have curated available PKIs including clinical compounds at different data confidence levels (distinguishing between low- and/or high-confidence activity data), formulated criteria for assessing chemical exploration, characterized PKIs including promiscuous compounds available for each wild-type PK, and differentiated chemically explored, underexplored, and unexplored PKs. Our analysis was conducted without any pre-conceived notion of dark PKs, providing an independent medicinal chemistry-centric view of PK exploration, as reported in the following.

Data sources, retrieval, and curation

In a previous survey of public compound repositories,³⁵ the vast majority of PKIs and activity data was found in ChEMBL³⁶ and BindingDB,³⁷ which were used herein as major sources for PKI

curation. Additional specialized database included in our analysis are reported in the Methods section. Prior to data curation, in ChEMBL, a total of 197,115 PKIs and 696,081 activity records were available and in BindingDB, 245,137 and 420,164 PKIs and activity records, respectively. Consistent with previous findings,^{35,38} there was substantial overlap between the two databases, with 129,244 shared PKIs (41%) and 243,136 (28%) activity records. Furthermore, PKIs and activity data were reported in ChEMBL and BindingDB for 445 human PKs and only in ChEMBL or Binding DB for 17 PKs and one PK, respectively, hence for 463 PKs combining these resources. In addition, we detected PKI activity data for an additional PK in the chemoproteomics data set of Reinecke et al.⁴⁶, thus amounting to a total of 464 human PKs.

Data curation based on the criteria for PKIs with available high- or low-confidence activity data (see Methods) resulted in a high-confidence data set containing 199,428 PKIs with activity against a total of 446 PKs and a low-confidence data set of 287,564 PKIs with activity against 459 PKs. Taken together, activity data in the high- and low-confidence sets covered a total of 459 PKs (89% of the human kinome). In the low-confidence data set, approximate measurements were included and records of activity or inactivity (such as “>10,000 nM”) were distinguished (see Methods).

Classification criteria

Our analysis aimed to distinguish between three categories of PKs including *chemically explored*, *underexplored*, and *unexplored* PKs defined based upon the following criteria.

PKs were classified as chemically unexplored if (i) no PKIs were available in the low- and high-confidence data sets and no PKIs were reported in the Reinecke data set³⁹ or if (ii) PKs were exclusively annotated with promiscuous PKIs with reported activity against at least 10 PKs (see Methods).

PKs for which at least one approved PKI drug or clinical compound was available were classified as chemically explored. The availability of at least one drug or PKI in clinical trials was considered a sufficient indicator of chemical exploration, taking into consideration that the development of clinical compounds requires extensive compound optimization efforts and that corresponding data obtained on the way to clinical candidates are often kept proprietary. Notably, for most PKs with clinical compound(s), varying (and often large) numbers of other qualifying PKIs were available. In addition, based on statistical assessment (see below), PKs for which at least 30 unique PKIs with high-confidence data were available, were also classified as chemically explored. PKs having no PKIs with high-confidence activity data were classified as chemically underexplored. For the remaining PKs, for which qualifying PKIs with high- and low-confidence activity data were available, promiscuous PKIs were also omitted from further consideration. These PKs were classified as chemically explored or underexplored “on a sliding scale” based on available compound numbers and data quality, as detailed below.

Chemically unexplored protein kinases

For 52 PKs, no compound records were available, for two PKs, all activity records were incomplete, and for four others, no qualifying PKIs remained in the low- or high-confidence data sets after initial data curation. Furthermore, 62 PKs were only annotated with (one to 348) promiscuous PKIs. Thus, on the basis of these criteria, a total of 120 PKs were classified as chemically unexplored. The different subsets of chemically unexplored PKs are reported in **Supplementary Table S1**.

Protein kinases with clinical compounds

We next searched for PKs for which approved drugs and/or other clinical PKs were reported in ChEMBL or other specialized databases (see Methods) and identified a total of 131 “clinical PKs” that were classified as chemically explored, as rationalized above. Clinical PKs are reported in **Supplementary Table S2**. In addition, **Table 1** reports the top-10 clinical PKs together with the numbers of associated drugs, clinical PKIs, and other PKIs.

Table 1. Top-10 clinical protein kinases.

| PK | UniProt ID | Approved Drugs | Clinical PKIs | Low-confidence PKIs | High-confidence PKIs |
|---|------------|----------------|---------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Vascular endothelial growth factor receptor 2 | P35968 | 12 | 41 | 15,970 | 9783 |
| Mast/stem cell growth factor receptor Kit | P10721 | 12 | 17 | 5004 | 2593 |
| Epidermal growth factor receptor | P00533 | 9 | 34 | 15,655 | 9673 |
| Platelet-derived growth factor receptor alpha | P16234 | 8 | 17 | 2604 | 916 |
| Tyrosine-protein kinase ABL1 | P00519 | 8 | 12 | 8031 | 2861 |
| Receptor-type tyrosine-protein kinase FLT3 | P36888 | 7 | 22 | 7409 | 3906 |
| Proto-oncogene tyrosine-protein kinase receptor Ret | P07949 | 7 | 4 | 5208 | 3413 |
| Receptor tyrosine-protein kinase erbB-2 | P04626 | 6 | 16 | 6060 | 3221 |
| Fibroblast growth factor receptor 2 | P21802 | 6 | 13 | 5315 | 2466 |
| ALK tyrosine kinase receptor | Q9UM73 | 6 | 4 | 4144 | 2260 |

Reported are the top-10 clinical PKs based on number of approved drugs. In addition, for each PK, the number of PKIs in clinical trials and other PKIs in the low- and high-confidence data set is reported. PKs with the same number of approved drugs are ranked based on PKIs in clinical trials.

With eight to 12 approved drugs per PK, highest ranked are four growth factor receptor variants, which are primary cancer targets, followed by ABL1 and FLT3. Overall, receptor Tyr PKs implicated in cancer currently are the most established PK drug targets.

Kinases with varying degrees of chemical exploration

For clinical PKs, all associated PKIs exclusively reported to be active against these PKs were removed from the high- and low-confidence data sets for further analysis. In addition, after determining PKs only annotated with promiscuous compounds, the promiscuous PKIs were removed from the data sets. The substantially reduced versions of the high- and low-confidence data sets included 40,895 PKIs with activity against a total of 264 PKs and 63,436 PKIs with activity against 267 PKs, respectively, which provided the basis of our subsequent analysis of other chemically explored and underexplored PKs.

For three PKs included in the low-confidence set, no high-confidence PKI data were available. Thus, these PKs were regarded as chemically underexplored. Next, for the 264 PKs in the high-confidence data set, the distribution of high-confidence PKIs was determined (**Figure 1**).

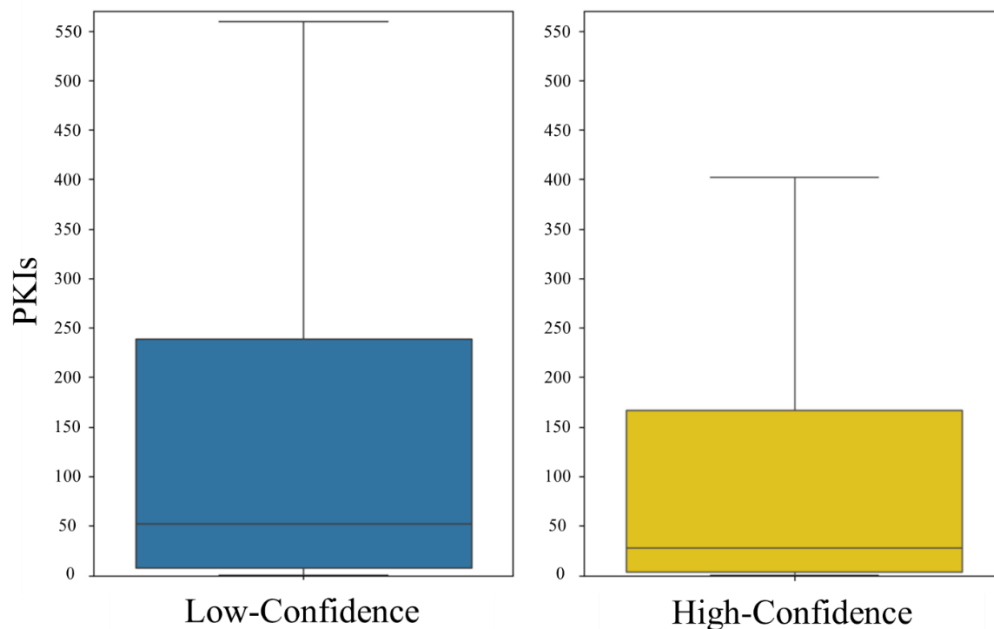


Figure 1. Distribution of high-confidence protein kinase inhibitors.

Boxplots show the distribution of PKIs from the low- (left) and high- confidence set (right). The horizontal lines represent the median values and separate the upper and lower quartile. The whiskers mark the value range of the data within 1.5 times the interquartile range. Statistical outliers have been removed for clarity and are reported in Table 2 and Supplementary Table S3.

The distributions of the low- and high-confidence had median values of 52 and 28 PKIs per PK, respectively, and the upper quartiles of the distribution covered broad value ranges. Given the distribution of the high-confidence set, we classified 129 PKs as chemically explored, for which at least 30 unique PKIs with high-confidence activity data were available (that is, a number of PKIs slightly above the mean). For these 129 PKIs, a median (mean) value of 244 (575) low-confidence PKIs were also available.

Table 2 reports the top-10 chemically most explored PKs from the high-confidence set, all of which were statistical outliers of the distribution in **Figure 1**. For each of these PKs, thousands of low- and high-confidence PKIs were available. Different from the leading clinical PKs, Ser/Thr PKs such as pim-1 and pim-2 proto-oncogene and different MAP PKs represented the chemically by far most explored PKs, which were not among the leading clinical PKs.

Table 2. Top-10 chemically explored PKs with largest number of PKIs.

| PK | UniProt ID | Low-confidence PKIs | High-confidence PKIs |
|---|-------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Serine/threonine-protein kinase pim-1 | P11309 | 5502 | 4335 |
| Leucine-rich repeat serine/threonine-protein kinase 2 | Q5S007 | 4523 | 3360 |
| Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 1 | Q92918 | 5379 | 3122 |
| Serine/threonine-protein kinase pim-2 | Q9P1W9 | 3318 | 2700 |
| Serine/threonine-protein kinase TBK1 | Q9UHD2 | 1742 | 1354 |
| Epithelial discoidin domain-containing receptor 1 | Q08345 | 1368 | 1350 |
| MAP kinase-interacting serine/threonine-protein kinase 2 | Q9HBH9 | 1745 | 1292 |
| Tyrosine-protein kinase receptor TYRO3 | Q06418 | 1565 | 1268 |
| Casein kinase I isoform delta | P48730 | 2784 | 1251 |
| Dual specificity tyrosine-phosphorylation-regulated kinase 1A | Q13627 | 3996 | 1155 |

Reported are the top-10 chemically most explored PKs based on largest numbers of PKIs with high-confidence activity data.

Chemically explored protein kinases

The union of the 131 clinical PKs and the other 129 PKs with at least 30 high-confidence PKIs represented chemically explored PKs. For the 135 PKs remaining in the high-confidence data set, the number of high- and low-confidence PKIs were compared, as shown in **Figure 2**.

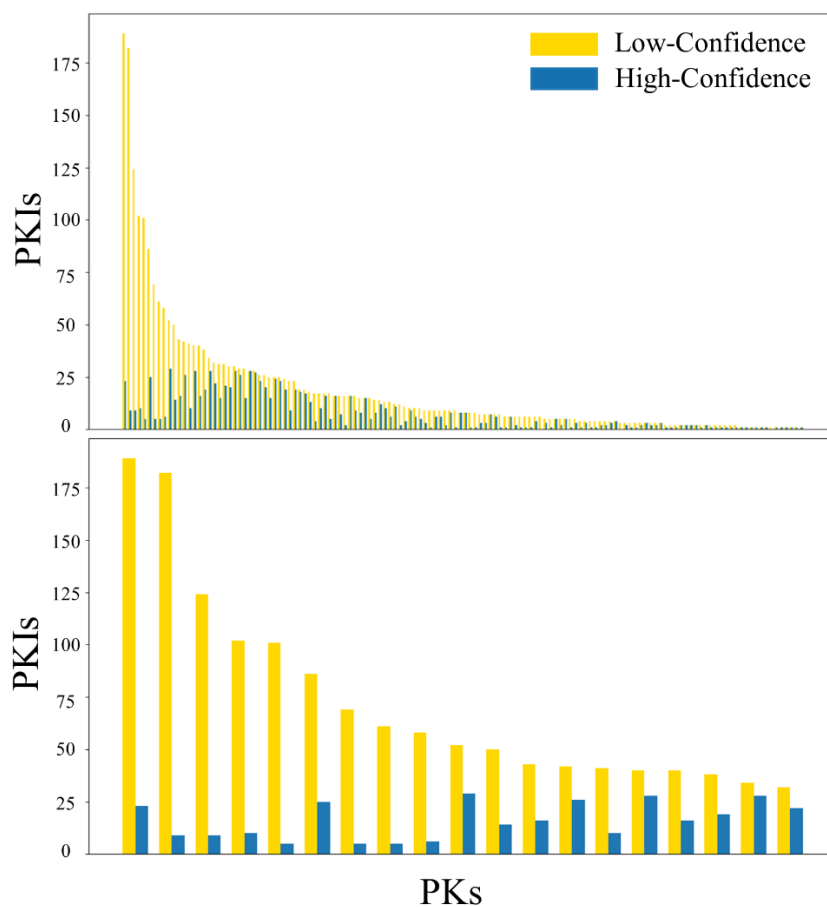


Figure 2. Protein kinase subset with high- and low-confidence inhibitors. For PKs with at least one but fewer than 30 high-confidence PKIs, the histogram representation compares the number of available high- and low-confidence PKIs. At the top, the global distribution is displayed after removal of the first two PKs with largest numbers of low-confidence PKIs (for better visibility). From the left to the right, PKs were ordered according to decreasing numbers of low-confidence PKIs. At the bottom, only PKs number 3-20 of the distribution are shown on a different scale after removal of the first two PKs with largest numbers of low-confidence PKIs.

The distribution showed a sharp decline in the number of low-confidence PKIs for the remaining subset of PKs with less than 30 high-confidence PKIs. The first two PKs, 5'-AMP-activated protein kinase catalytic subunit alpha-2 and cyclin-dependent kinase 19, dominated the distribution. For 5'-AMP-activated protein kinase catalytic subunit alpha-2, 758 low- and 22 high-confidence PKIs were available and for cyclin-dependent kinase 19, 339 and 25, respectively. Given the large number of low-confidence PKIs that were available for a limited number of PKs with varying numbers of less than 30 high-confidence PKIs, we classified eight additional PKs (i.e., PK 1-8 of the distribution in **Figure 2**, top) as chemically explored. For the first seven PKs, more than 100 low-confidence were available. For the PK at rank eight, calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase type II subunit alpha, which we included as the last PK in the chemically explored category, 86 low- and 25 high-confidence PKIs were available.

Thus, based on our analysis, we identified a total of 268 chemically explored PKs including the 131 clinical PKs (**Supplementary Table S2**) and 137 (129 plus eight) others, reported in **Supplementary Table S3**.

Underexplored protein kinases

The remaining 127 PKs with low- and high-confidence PKIs were classified as chemically underexplored. In addition, there were three PKs for which only one to six (non-promiscuous) low- and no high-confidence PKIs were available, hence yielding a total of 130 chemically underexplored PKs, reported in **Supplementary Table S4**.

Protein kinase classification

Figure 3 summarizes the PK classification and shows the distribution across the human kinome. Chemically unexplored, underexplored and explored PKs were widely distributed over all PK groups. Chemically unexplored PKs were also found within the most intensely investigated groups of Tyr and Ser/Thr PKs (group TK and CMGC, respectively). **Figure 4** shows exemplary chemically explored and underexplored PKs from two other PK groups.

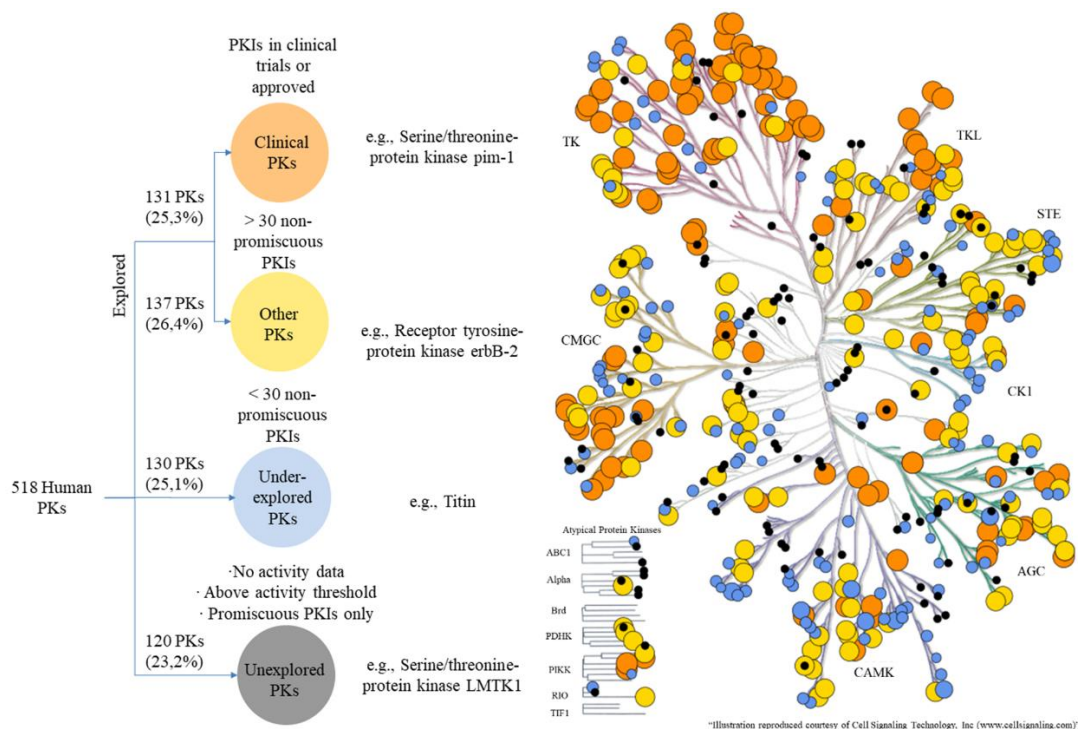


Figure 3. Protein kinase classification. On the left, our PKI data-based PK classification is summarized, yielding 120 chemically unexplored, 130 underexplored, and 268 explored PKs. On the right, the classification is mapped onto a phylogenetic tree presentation of the human kinome (different groups are labeled using standard abbreviations). Each dot represents a PK that are classified using the following color code: clinical PKs, orange; other chemically explored PKs, yellow; underexplored, blue; unexplored, black. For chemically explored and underexplored PKs, dots are scaled in size according to the total number of available PKIs. Chemically unexplored PKs are consistently represented using smallest black dots.

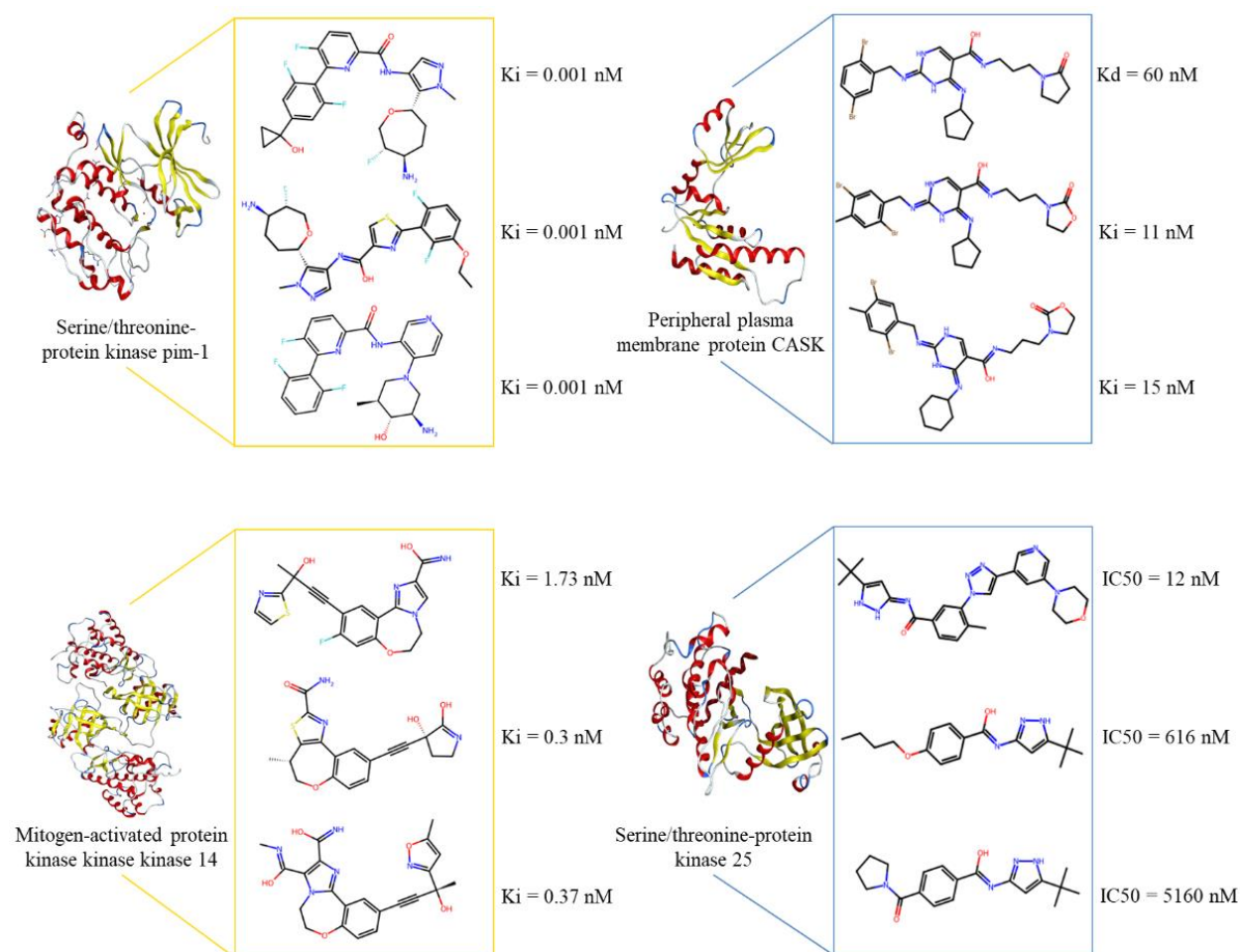


Figure 4. Exemplary protein kinases with different degrees of chemical exploration. Shown are exemplary PKs (X-ray structure renderings) and their PKIs from two different groups (CAMK, top; STE, bottom). On the left and right, chemically explored and underexplored PKs are shown, respectively. For chemically explored and underexplored PKs, exemplary PKIs from the high- and low-confidence data set are shown, respectively. PKs are identified using their UniProt IDs: P11309, serine/threonine-protein kinase pim-1; O14936, peripheral plasma membrane protein CASK; Q99558, Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 14; O00506, serine/threonine-protein kinase 25. Only non-promiscuous compounds are shown.

Chemically classified versus dark protein kinases

The 162 understudied/dark kinases published by the NIH^{21,22} were found to contain six lipid kinases and one pseudokinase. The remaining 155 dark PKs were compared to chemically unexplored and underexplored PKs classified in our analysis (**Figure 5**). A total 120 chemically unexplored (62) and underexplored (58) PKs overlapped with the 155 dark PKs designated by the NIH. Hence, for these PKs reported in **Supplementary Table S5**, both functional information and compound data were limited (or lacking).

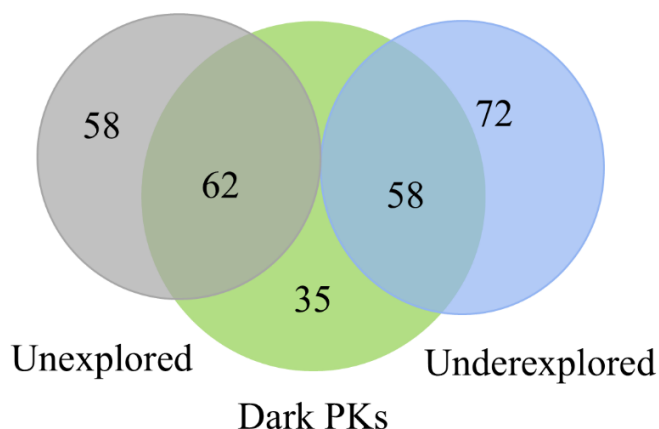


Figure 5. Chemically un- and underexplored versus dark protein kinases. The Venn diagram compares chemically un- or underexplored with dark PKs.

However, all of the remaining 35 designated dark PKs were classified as chemically explored in our analysis, including six clinical PKs, as reported in **Supplementary Table S6**. Most of these PKs were associated with large numbers of PKIs. For 15 PKs, 100 or more (up to 1292) high-confidence PKIs (and, in each case, larger numbers of low-confidence PKIs) were available. Among these were, for instance, MAP kinase-interacting serine/threonine-protein kinase 1 with one clinical PKI, 1134 high-, and 1669 low-confidence PKIs or protein kinase C theta type with one approved drug, three other clinical PKIs, 812 high-, and 1210 low-confidence PKIs.

Figure 6 shows that these chemically explored PKs were widely distributed across the human kinome, essentially covering all PK groups. Notably, 10 chemically explored Ser/Thr PKs of the CMGC group for which (with one exception) large numbers of PKIs were available, were previously classified as understudied. Taken together, the 120 overlapping chemically un- or underexplored and understudied PKs and the 35 chemically explored PKs previously categorized as understudied provide a further refined view of the remaining dark human kinome.

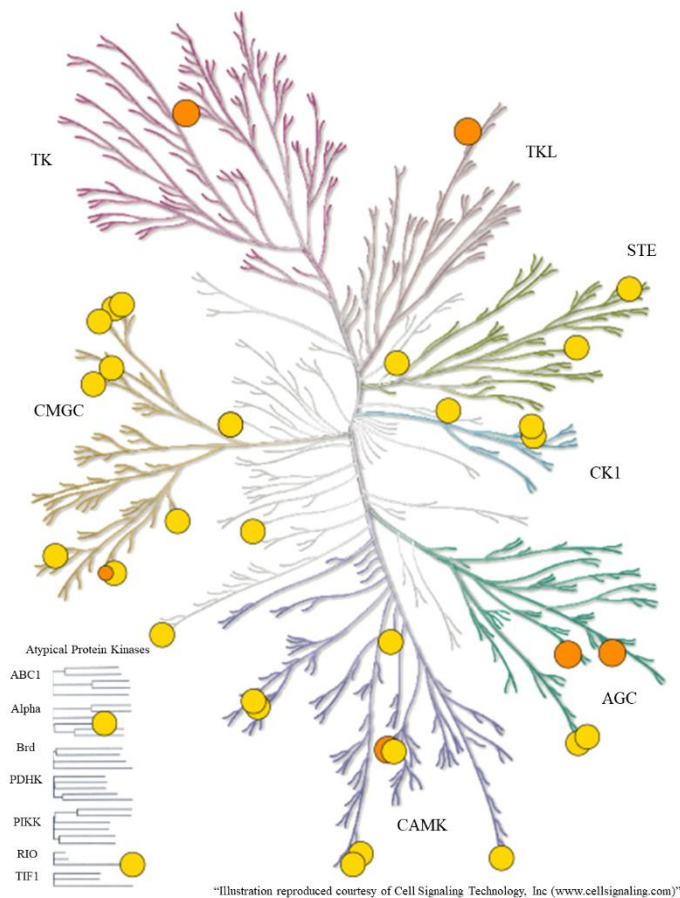


Figure 6. Distribution of chemically explored protein kinases categorized as understudied.

The 35 PKs previously categorized as understudied are mapped on a phylogenetic tree of the human kinome. The representation is according to Figure 3.

Concluding Remarks

Although PKs are among the most heavily investigated pharmaceutical target proteins, the 80 FDA-approved PKI drugs are directed against only 22 primary PK targets.¹⁷ Given the history of PK drug discovery, anti-cancer PKIs clearly dominate. The 80 approved drugs include 69 anti-cancer agents compared to six PKI drugs for the treatment of inflammatory diseases. Forty-three PKI drugs are active against receptor Tyr PKs, which are eminent cancer targets, followed by 20 with activity against non-receptor Tyr PKs, and 13 with activity against Ser/Thr PKs.¹⁷ However, while clinical compounds currently are available for more than 100 PKs, as discussed above, PKI drugs have thus only been approved for a very small fraction of the human kinome. Accordingly, given that only ~25% of the human kinome is charted with clinical compounds at present, PK targets remain of high interest in different therapeutic areas, and the quest for new insights into PK disease biology and for new chemical matter continues.

In this context, the IDG initiative of the NIH including the Kinase DRCG^{21,22} has been a milestone event for the field, focusing on PKs with little or no functional annotations. As an initial part of this endeavor, 162 understudied kinases including 155 PKs were identified as primary targets for further functional evaluation and the development of chemical probes, representing the often cited dark kinome, considered as a source of potential drug targets with new disease implications.

Our current analysis attempted to provide a complementary medicinal chemistry-centric view of PK exploration, concentrating on available PKIs including clinical compounds and activity data at different confidence levels. To ensure rigor and comprehensiveness of the analysis, extensive data curation across different compound repositories was mandatory. This made it possible to organize (and rank) wild-type PKs of the human kinome based on different degrees of chemical

exploration, also taking into consideration that especially for PKs with clinical compounds, PKI data are often kept proprietary. To provide guidelines for PK classification, we distinguished between chemically unexplored, underexplored, and explored PKs based on the criteria specified above. Of course, chemically underexplored and explored PKs represent a continuum with respect to PKI volumes and confidence levels, rather than discrete states. However, they can be differentiated based on chemical and statistical considerations. These criteria are not written in stone and can be adjusted for specific applications, and the PK rankings reported herein can also be viewed as a continuum.

Given the absence of any qualifying PKIs or presence of exclusive activity against promiscuous (broad spectrum) PKIs, we classified 120 PKs as chemically unexplored. Furthermore, based on available PKIs including clinical compounds and varying data confidence levels, we differentiated between 130 chemically underexplored and 268 explored PKs including 131 clinical PKs. Hence, nearly half of the human kinome currently remains chemically un- or underexplored.

Following our analysis and PK classification, we then compared the 155 previously designated (functionally) dark PKs and 250 chemically un- or underexplored PKs reported herein. With 120 shared PKs, there was large overlap between these independently derived PK subsets; an encouraging finding. If target functions remain unclear, extensive medicinal chemistry efforts for target intervention are very unlikely. However, we also found that 58 unexplored and 72 underexplored PKs were not included in the collection of understudied/dark PKs, leaving considerable room for further chemical exploration of these candidate PKs, if prioritized in light of disease biology. Moreover, 35 dark PKs were classified as chemically explored and in many cases, these PKs were highly explored, including clinical compounds. This noteworthy discrepancy might at least in part be attributable to progress made by the Kinase DRCG over the past four

years, mirrored by increasing medicinal chemistry efforts on selected PKs with new and interesting functional annotations. On the other hand, these observations also point at the complementary nature of biological and medicinal chemistry-centric evaluation of PK exploration, adding a new dimension to the further evaluation of the dark kinome.

Methods

Data retrieval and curation

A comprehensive list wild-type PKs constituting the human kinome was compiled by integrating information from Manning et al.¹ and UniProt³⁹. A total of 517 UniProt target identifiers (IDs) were retrieved (with one ID covering two PKs reported by Manning et al.) and used to extract PK information from different databases. ChEMBL³⁶ (version 34) and BindingDB³⁷ (accessed May 2024) were the main sources for PKI data. For retrieval of PKIs and activity data, UniProt PK IDs were mapped to corresponding human ChEMBL IDs. Target and compound information extracted from ChEMBL included PK gene name, standard activity measurement, target type, standard relation, standard units, activity value, and Simplified Molecular Input Line System (SMILES)⁴¹ and InChI strings of PKIs. Activity records were not considered if any of the information above was missing. Duplicate entries were removed. For BindingDB, additional data processing was required to align with the data structure of ChEMBL. For example, target type information was not explicitly provided but inferred from the number of targeted protein chains (e.g., 1 corresponds to single target). For each PK, unique PKIs and activity data from ChEMBL and BindingDB were combined. In addition, for the ~1000 PKIs investigated by Reinecke et al., PK activity annotations were analyzed to potentially identify PKs not covered by ChEMBL/BindingDB assay data. Ultimately, for all qualifying PKIs, IUPAC International Chemical Identifier (InChI)⁴¹ strings were subjected to chemical standardization including salt removal, canonicalization, and neutralization. The resulting canonical InChI served as unique compound identifiers for subsequent data processing.

Protein kinase inhibitor sets with high- or low-confidence activity data

High-confidence PKI activity data were selected based on previously reported selection criteria.¹⁸ Accordingly, standard activity measurements (K_d , K_i or IC_{50}) with numerically specified values, “nM” units, standard relation “=”, and “single protein” target type were required. If multiple values of the same activity measurement type were available, they were averaged if all values fell into one order of magnitude; otherwise, the measurements were discarded. If multiple measurement types were available, the final activity annotation was selected according to the priority order ($K_i > K_d > IC_{50}$). For activity, a threshold of at least 50,000 nM or lower was applied (that is, a record $> 50,000$ nM was classified as inactive and disregarded).

Low-confidence PKI data included records with quantitative measurements that did not meet all criteria required for high-confidence data as well as approximate measurements with standard relation “<”, “<=”, “>” or “>=”. For quantitative measurements, multiple values of the same type were averaged (or discarded) and as a threshold for activity, a numerically specified (K_i , K_d , IC_{50} , or EC_{50}) value of at least 50,000 nM or lower was required, consistent with high-confidence data. For records with % inhibition measurements, values of $\geq 50\%$ were classified as active.

If multiple measurement types were available, the final activity annotation was selected according to the priority order ($K_i > K_d > IC_{50} > EC_{50}$). If multiple approximate measurements of the same type were available, values with operators (“<”, “<=”) were separated from those with (“>”, “>=”) if applicable and the lowest and highest value was selected, respectively. If numerically specified and approximate activity values were available for a PKI, numerically specified values were retained. Approximate annotations were classified as active if they met threshold values of $\leq 10,000$ nM for (K_i , K_d , IC_{50} , or EC_{50}) or $\geq 50\%$ inhibition.

Notably, the most frequently detected approximate activity annotation was “> 10,000 nM” for different measurement types, which was classified as an indicator of inactivity in a PK assay.

Promiscuous protein kinase inhibitors

Promiscuous (multi-PK) inhibitors were identified based on low-confidence and high-confidence data by counting the total number of PK annotations. If a PKI was reported to be active against at least 10 PKs it was classified as a promiscuous PKI.

Kinome representations

Annotated phylogenetic tree representations of the human kinome were generated with KinMap.⁴² In display items and the test, PKs were designated using standard UniProt abbreviations.³⁹

Clinical protein kinases

PKs with PKIs approved as drugs or in clinical trials were classified as clinical PKs. Therefore, ChEMBL and the Pharos²³ database and different drug repositories including DrugBank,⁴³ DrugCentral,⁴⁴ and GuidetoPHARMACOLOGY⁴⁵ were searched for clinical PKIs. For a given PK, at least one clinical PKI was required to be reported in each database to obtain clinical PK status. PKs with clinical PKIs were classified as chemically explored PKs.

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Abbreviations: ATP, adenosine triphosphate; DKK, Dark Kinase Knowledgebase; FDA, Food and Drug Administration; GPCRs, G protein-coupled receptors; ID, identifier; IDG, Illuminating the Druggable Genome; InChI, IUPAC International Chemical Identifier; NIH, National Institutes of Health; PD, promiscuity degree; PK, protein kinase; PKI, protein kinase inhibitor; CPP, Chemical Probes Portal; SGC, Structural Genomics Consortium; SMILES, Simplified Molecular Input Line System; TCI, target-compound interaction.

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Supporting Information

Table S1. Chemically unexplored protein kinases.

| UniProt ID | Protein kinase name |
|-------------------|---|
| Q9UJY1 | Heat shock protein beta-8 |
| Q38SD2 | Leucine-rich repeat serine/threonine-protein kinase 1 |
| Q96LW2 | Ribosomal protein S6 kinase-related protein |
| Q7Z7A4 | PX domain-containing protein kinase-like protein |
| Q504Y2 | Extracellular tyrosine-protein kinase PKDCC |
| Q9NSY0 | Nuclear receptor-binding protein 2 |
| Q6IBS0 | Twinfilin-2 |
| Q6J9G0 | Tyrosine-protein kinase STYK1 |
| Q8NCB2 | CaM kinase-like vesicle-associated protein |
| Q8TAS1 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Kist |
| Q96QS6 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase H2 |
| Q9UHY1 | Nuclear receptor-binding protein |
| Q8N2I9 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 40 |
| Q9H5K3 | Protein O-mannose kinase |
| O60229 | Kalirin |
| Q15772 | Striated muscle preferentially expressed protein kinase |

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| Q496M5 | Inactive serine/threonine-protein kinase PLK5 |
| Q86TB3 | Alpha-protein kinase 2 |
| Q12792 | Twinfilin-1 |
| Q7Z2Y5 | Nik-related protein kinase |
| Q96L96 | Alpha-protein kinase 3 |
| Q6ZS72 | Protein PEAK3 |
| P0C263 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase SBK2 |
| Q01973 | Inactive tyrosine-protein kinase transmembrane receptor ROR1 |
| Q9Y6S9 | Ribosomal protein S6 kinase-like 1 |
| O43930 | Putative serine/threonine-protein kinase PRKY |
| Q96RU8 | Tribbles homolog 1 |
| Q02846 | Retinal guanylyl cyclase 1 |
| P51841 | Retinal guanylyl cyclase 2 |
| Q13308 | Inactive tyrosine-protein kinase 7 |
| Q6A1A2 | Putative 3-phosphoinositide-dependent protein kinase 2 |
| Q5JZY3 | Ephrin type-A receptor 10 |
| Q8NE28 | Serine/threonine kinase-like domain-containing protein STKLD1 |
| Q96C45 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase ULK4 |
| Q14296 | Fas-activated serine/threonine kinase |
| Q86YV5 | Inactive tyrosine-protein kinase PRAG1 |
| Q6P3W7 | SCY1-like protein 2 |

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| Q8N165 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase PDIK1L |
| Q6ZMQ8 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase LMTK1 |
| P34925 | Tyrosine-protein kinase RYK |
| Q96KG9 | N-terminal kinase-like protein |
| Q8TEA7 | TBC domain-containing protein kinase-like protein |
| Q8IWU2 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase LMTK2 |
| Q96RU7 | Tribbles homolog 3 |
| Q7Z695 | Uncharacterized aarF domain-containing protein kinase 2 |
| A0A0B4J2F2 | Putative serine/threonine-protein kinase SIK1B |
| Q16671 | Anti-Muellerian hormone type-2 receptor |
| Q8IWB6 | Inactive serine/threonine-protein kinase TEX14 |
| Q8IZE3 | Protein-associating with the carboxyl-terminal domain of ezrin |
| Q5VST9 | Obscurin |
| Q96QP1 | Alpha-protein kinase 1 |
| P11801 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase H1 |
| Q01974 | Tyrosine-protein kinase transmembrane receptor ROR2 |
| O14874 | Branched-chain alpha-ketoacid dehydrogenase kinase |
| P25092 | Guanylyl cyclase C |
| O75962 | Triple functional domain protein |
| P00540 | Proto-oncogene serine/threonine-protein kinase mos |
| Q9C0K7 | STE20-related kinase adapter protein beta |

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| Q7RTN6 | STE20-related kinase adapter protein alpha |
| Q9Y6R4 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 4 |
| Q96Q40 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 15 |
| Q5TCX8 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 21 |
| Q9Y2H9 | Microtubule-associated serine/threonine-protein kinase 1 |
| Q00537 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 17 |
| Q8NFD2 | Ankyrin repeat and protein kinase domain-containing protein 1 |
| Q96D53 | Atypical kinase COQ8B, mitochondrial |
| Q9Y2H1 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 38-like |
| P51956 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Nek3 |
| P21127 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 11B |
| Q86SG6 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Nek8 |
| P20794 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase MAK |
| Q86UX6 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 32C |
| O60566 | Mitotic checkpoint serine/threonine-protein kinase BUB1 beta |
| P57078 | Receptor-interacting serine/threonine-protein kinase 4 |
| Q52WX2 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase SBK1 |
| Q15208 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 38 |
| P57058 | Hormonally up-regulated neu tumor-associated kinase |
| Q9C098 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase DCLK3 |
| Q6ZN16 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 15 |

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| Q07002 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 18 |
| O95747 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase OSR1 |
| Q96S38 | Ribosomal protein S6 kinase delta-1 |
| Q8TDR2 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 35 |
| Q6DT37 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase MRCK gamma |
| Q9Y2U5 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 2 |
| Q9UL54 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase TAO2 |
| Q9BXM7 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase PINK1, mitochondrial |
| Q8IVT5 | Kinase suppressor of Ras 1 |
| Q8TD19 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Nek9 |
| Q9BXU1 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 31 |
| Q15831 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase STK11 |
| Q99759 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 3 |
| Q96S44 | EKC/KEOPS complex subunit TP53RK |
| Q8WXR4 | Myosin-IIIb |
| Q96GX5 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase greatwall |
| Q9BXA6 | Testis-specific serine/threonine-protein kinase 6 |
| P0C264 | Uncharacterized serine/threonine-protein kinase SBK3 |
| Q9BRS2 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase RIO1 |
| Q6P5Z2 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase N3 |
| Q9UF33 | Ephrin type-A receptor 6 |

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| Q8NG66 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Nek11 |
| Q8IV63 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase VRK3 |
| Q15131 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 10 |
| Q58A45 | PAN2-PAN3 deadenylation complex subunit PAN3 |
| Q8WU08 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 32A |
| Q8N568 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase DCLK2 |
| Q9UKI8 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase tousled-like 1 |
| Q6XUX3 | Dual serine/threonine and tyrosine protein kinase |
| P31152 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase 4 |
| P14616 | Insulin receptor-related protein |
| Q9NRP7 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 36 |
| Q96RG2 | PAS domain-containing serine/threonine-protein kinase |
| Q3MIX3 | Uncharacterized aarF domain-containing protein kinase 5 |
| Q8NEV4 | Myosin-IIIa |
| Q96QT4 | Transient receptor potential cation channel subfamily M member 7 |
| Q8IZL9 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 20 |
| Q9BX84 | Transient receptor potential cation channel subfamily M member 6 |
| Q9UPZ9 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase ICK |
| Q6SA08 | Testis-specific serine/threonine-protein kinase 4 |

Different subsets of chemically unexplored PKs are color-coded as follows: black, PKs without PKI records; blue, PKs with incomplete/inconclusive PKI activity records; red, PKs with no qualifying low- and high-confidence PKIs following data curation; green, PKs exclusively annotated with promiscuous PKIs.

Table S2. Clinical protein kinases.

| UniProt ID | Protein kinase name |
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| P25092 | Guanylyl cyclase C |
| P35916 | Vascular endothelial growth factor receptor 3 |
| P16591 | Tyrosine-protein kinase Fer |
| Q08881 | Tyrosine-protein kinase ITK/TSK |
| Q96GD4 | Aurora kinase B |
| P24941 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 2 |
| P21860 | Receptor tyrosine-protein kinase erbB-3 |
| P00519 | Tyrosine-protein kinase ABL1 |
| Q8IW41 | MAP kinase-activated protein kinase 5 |
| Q16584 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 11 |

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| Q02763 | Angiopoietin-1 receptor |
| P45983 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase 8 |
| P49840 | Glycogen synthase kinase-3 alpha |
| Q14289 | Protein-tyrosine kinase 2-beta |
| P12931 | Proto-oncogene tyrosine-protein kinase Src |
| P29597 | Non-receptor tyrosine-protein kinase TYK2 |
| Q15759 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase 11 |
| Q04759 | Protein kinase C theta type |
| Q07912 | Activated CDC42 kinase 1 |
| Q9Y243 | RAC-gamma serine/threonine-protein kinase |
| O96017 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Chk2 |
| P49137 | MAP kinase-activated protein kinase 2 |
| P04629 | High affinity nerve growth factor receptor |
| O15530 | 3-phosphoinositide-dependent protein kinase 1 |
| P49841 | Glycogen synthase kinase-3 beta |
| | Phosphatidylinositol 4,5-bisphosphate 3-kinase catalytic subunit beta |
| P42338 | isoform |

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| P50750 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 9 |
| P42345 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase mTOR |
| Q00535 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 5 |
| P52333 | Tyrosine-protein kinase JAK3 |
| P16234 | Platelet-derived growth factor receptor alpha |
| P37023 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase receptor R3 |
| Q06187 | Tyrosine-protein kinase BTK |
| O75116 | Rho-associated protein kinase 2 |
| O43283 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 13 |
| Q13882 | Protein-tyrosine kinase 6 |
| P50613 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 7 |
| Q12852 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 12 |
| Q9H3Y6 | Tyrosine-protein kinase Srms |
| P17948 | Vascular endothelial growth factor receptor 1 |
| O96013 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase PAK 4 |
| P07947 | Tyrosine-protein kinase Yes |
| P10721 | Mast/stem cell growth factor receptor Kit |

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| Q15418 | Ribosomal protein S6 kinase alpha-1 |
| P21802 | Fibroblast growth factor receptor 2 |
| P00533 | Epidermal growth factor receptor |
| P41279 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 8 |
| O60674 | Tyrosine-protein kinase JAK2 |
| Q00534 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 6 |
| P36507 | Dual specificity mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase 2 |
| P54760 | Ephrin type-B receptor 4 |
| P07332 | Tyrosine-protein kinase Fes/Fps |
| P78527 | DNA-dependent protein kinase catalytic subunit |
| O14965 | Aurora kinase A |
| P36897 | TGF-beta receptor type-1 |
| P08069 | Insulin-like growth factor 1 receptor |
| | Phosphatidylinositol 4,5-bisphosphate 3-kinase catalytic subunit |
| P42336 | alpha isoform |
| P04049 | RAF proto-oncogene serine/threonine-protein kinase |
| P42685 | Tyrosine-protein kinase FRK |

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| Q9NWZ3 | Interleukin-1 receptor-associated kinase 4 |
| Q13546 | Receptor-interacting serine/threonine-protein kinase 1 Phosphatidylinositol 4,5-bisphosphate 3-kinase catalytic subunit gamma isoform |
| P48736 | |
| P31749 | RAC-alpha serine/threonine-protein kinase |
| Q02779 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 10 |
| P06493 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 1 |
| P45984 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase 9 |
| P29376 | Leukocyte tyrosine kinase receptor |
| P22612 | cAMP-dependent protein kinase catalytic subunit gamma |
| Q9NYV4 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 12 |
| Q9UM73 | ALK tyrosine kinase receptor |
| Q15118 | [Pyruvate dehydrogenase |
| Q12866 | Tyrosine-protein kinase Mer |
| Q05655 | Protein kinase C delta type |
| Q13535 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase ATR |
| P06239 | Tyrosine-protein kinase Lck |

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| P15056 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase B-raf |
| P04626 | Receptor tyrosine-protein kinase erbB-2 |
| Q04912 | Macrophage-stimulating protein receptor |
| P07333 | Macrophage colony-stimulating factor 1 receptor |
| P27361 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase 3 |
| P08922 | Proto-oncogene tyrosine-protein kinase ROS |
| Q9UQB9 | Aurora kinase C |
| Q16620 | BDNF/NT-3 growth factors receptor |
| P53779 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase 10 |
| P68400 | Casein kinase II subunit alpha |
| Q15303 | Receptor tyrosine-protein kinase erbB-4 |
| Q16539 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase 14 |
| Q16832 | Discoidin domain-containing receptor 2 |
| P11362 | Fibroblast growth factor receptor 1 |
| P36888 | Receptor-type tyrosine-protein kinase FLT3 |
| P08631 | Tyrosine-protein kinase HCK |
| Q86V86 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase pim-3 |

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| Q13464 | Rho-associated protein kinase 1 |
| P23443 | Ribosomal protein S6 kinase beta-1 |
| P23458 | Tyrosine-protein kinase JAK1 |
| O14757 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Chk1 |
| O14920 | Inhibitor of nuclear factor kappa-B kinase subunit beta |
| P22455 | Fibroblast growth factor receptor 4 |
| P29317 | Ephrin type-A receptor 2 |
| O00311 | Cell division cycle 7-related protein kinase |
| Q9BUB5 | MAP kinase-interacting serine/threonine-protein kinase 1 |
| P07949 | Proto-oncogene tyrosine-protein kinase receptor Ret |
| P30530 | Tyrosine-protein kinase receptor UFO |
| P07948 | Tyrosine-protein kinase Lyn |
| P35968 | Vascular endothelial growth factor receptor 2 |
| O00444 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase PLK4 |
| P06213 | Insulin receptor |
| Q99683 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 5 |
| P06241 | Tyrosine-protein kinase Fyn |

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| Q13233 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 1 |
| Q16288 | NT-3 growth factor receptor |
| P10398 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase A-Raf |
| P28482 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase 1 |
| P30291 | Wee1-like protein kinase |
| | Phosphatidylinositol 4,5-bisphosphate 3-kinase catalytic subunit |
| O00329 | delta isoform |
| P05771 | Protein kinase C beta type |
| P80192 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 9 |
| P43405 | Tyrosine-protein kinase SYK |
| Q05397 | Focal adhesion kinase 1 |
| P08581 | Hepatocyte growth factor receptor |
| P09619 | Platelet-derived growth factor receptor beta |
| P16066 | Atrial natriuretic peptide receptor 1 |
| P31751 | RAC-beta serine/threonine-protein kinase |
| P11802 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 4 |
| P33981 | Dual specificity protein kinase TTK |

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| Q13131 | 5'-AMP-activated protein kinase catalytic subunit alpha-1 |
| P20594 | Atrial natriuretic peptide receptor 2 |
| Q02750 | Dual specificity mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase 1 |
| P53350 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase PLK1 |
| P22607 | Fibroblast growth factor receptor 3 |
| P49674 | Casein kinase I isoform epsilon |

Table S3. Other chemically explored protein kinases.

| UniProt ID | Protein kinase name |
|-------------------|---|
| Q16654 | [Pyruvate dehydrogenase |
| Q5TCY1 | Tau-tubulin kinase 1 |
| Q13164 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase 7 |
| Q13627 | Dual specificity tyrosine-phosphorylation-regulated kinase 1A |
| O14733 | Dual specificity mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase 7 |
| Q15349 | Ribosomal protein S6 kinase alpha-2 |
| Q16513 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase N2 |

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| Q16659 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase 6 |
| P48730 | Casein kinase I isoform delta |
| Q15746 | Myosin light chain kinase, smooth muscle |
| Q13418 | Integrin-linked protein kinase |
| O00238 | Bone morphogenetic protein receptor type-1B |
| P41240 | Tyrosine-protein kinase CSK |
| Q59H18 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase TNNI3K |
| P51955 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Nek2 |
| Q15120 | [Pyruvate dehydrogenase |
| Q99640 | Membrane-associated tyrosine- and threonine-specific cdc2-inhibitory kinase |
| O15264 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase 13 |
| Q9UHD2 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase TBK1 |
| Q9Y4K4 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase kinase 5 |
| Q12851 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase kinase 2 |
| P57059 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase SIK1 |
| Q13470 | Non-receptor tyrosine-protein kinase TNK1 |
| Q9Y2K2 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase SIK3 |
| P19784 | Casein kinase II subunit alpha' |
| P49760 | Dual specificity protein kinase CLK2 |
| O60285 | NUAK family SNF1-like kinase 1 |

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| P43250 | G protein-coupled receptor kinase 6 |
| O95835 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase LATS1 |
| Q7L7X3 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase TAO1 |
| Q13153 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase PAK 1 |
| O43318 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 7 |
| Q15139 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase D1 |
| P17612 | cAMP-dependent protein kinase catalytic subunit alpha |
| Q13315 | Serine-protein kinase ATM |
| Q9BWU1 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 19 |
| O43781 | Dual specificity tyrosine-phosphorylation-regulated kinase 3 |
| P45985 | Dual specificity mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase 4 |
| Q9BZL6 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase D2 |
| O75582 | Ribosomal protein S6 kinase alpha-5 |
| O00418 | Eukaryotic elongation factor 2 kinase |
| Q96PY6 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Nek1 |
| Q9Y572 | Receptor-interacting serine/threonine-protein kinase 3 |
| P53778 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase 12 |
| Q9NZJ5 | Eukaryotic translation initiation factor 2-alpha kinase 3 |
| P54646 | 5'-AMP-activated protein kinase catalytic subunit alpha-2 |
| Q9BQI3 | Eukaryotic translation initiation factor 2-alpha kinase 1 |
| O75460 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase/endoribonuclease IRE1 |

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| P19525 | Interferon-induced, double-stranded RNA-activated protein kinase |
| P51451 | Tyrosine-protein kinase Blk |
| Q9BYT3 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 33 |
| P37173 | TGF-beta receptor type-2 |
| Q8NEV1 | Casein kinase II subunit alpha 3 |
| P27448 | MAP/microtubule affinity-regulating kinase 3 |
| O14976 | Cyclin-G-associated kinase |
| P51812 | Ribosomal protein S6 kinase alpha-3 |
| O94804 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 10 |
| O15111 | Inhibitor of nuclear factor kappa-B kinase subunit alpha |
| Q9NYL2 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 20 |
| P48729 | Casein kinase I isoform alpha |
| O43683 | Mitotic checkpoint serine/threonine-protein kinase BUB1 |
| O94768 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 17B |
| P49336 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 8 |
| P53667 | LIM domain kinase 1 |
| Q9H2K8 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase TAO3 |
| Q13557 | Calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase type II subunit delta |
| O00141 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Sgk1 |
| Q06418 | Tyrosine-protein kinase receptor TYRO3 |
| O94921 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 14 |

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| Q96RR4 | Calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase kinase 2 |
| Q6IQ55 | Tau-tubulin kinase 2 |
| P43403 | Tyrosine-protein kinase ZAP-70 |
| P25098 | Beta-adrenergic receptor kinase 1 |
| Q00526 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 3 |
| O43353 | Receptor-interacting serine/threonine-protein kinase 2 |
| Q9UKE5 | TRAF2 and NCK-interacting protein kinase |
| O95819 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase kinase 4 |
| Q9P1W9 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase pim-2 |
| P42681 | Tyrosine-protein kinase TXK |
| O75385 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase ULK1 |
| Q04771 | Activin receptor type-1 |
| Q9UK32 | Ribosomal protein S6 kinase alpha-6 |
| Q14004 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 13 |
| Q99558 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 14 |
| Q96L34 | MAP/microtubule affinity-regulating kinase 4 |
| P36896 | Activin receptor type-1B |
| Q13043 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 4 |
| Q9HAZ1 | Dual specificity protein kinase CLK4 |
| P41743 | Protein kinase C iota type |
| Q9Y5S2 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase MRCK beta |

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| Q9UQ07 | MAPK/MAK/MRK overlapping kinase |
| Q9HBH9 | MAP kinase-interacting serine/threonine-protein kinase 2 |
| Q05513 | Protein kinase C zeta type |
| O00443 | Phosphatidylinositol 4-phosphate 3-kinase C2 domain-containing subunit alpha |
| Q9H2G2 | STE20-like serine/threonine-protein kinase |
| Q96SB4 | SRSF protein kinase 1 |
| P49759 | Dual specificity protein kinase CLK1 |
| Q13188 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 3 |
| P49761 | Dual specificity protein kinase CLK3 |
| Q8NB16 | Mixed lineage kinase domain-like protein |
| Q96KB5 | Lymphokine-activated killer T-cell-originated protein kinase |
| P24723 | Protein kinase C eta type |
| Q2M2I8 | AP2-associated protein kinase 1 |
| P17252 | Protein kinase C alpha type |
| Q5VT25 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase MRCK alpha |
| Q8IVH8 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase kinase 3 |
| P36894 | Bone morphogenetic protein receptor type-1A |
| Q15119 | Pyruvate dehydrogenase |
| Q08345 | Epithelial discoidin domain-containing receptor 1 |
| P53671 | LIM domain kinase 2 |

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| P51813 | Cytoplasmic tyrosine-protein kinase BMX |
| Q13976 | cGMP-dependent protein kinase 1 |
| P11309 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase pim-1 |
| Q9NYY3 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase PLK2 |
| Q9UQM7 | Calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase type II subunit alpha |
| Q8IU85 | Calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase type 1D |
| P54764 | Ephrin type-A receptor 4 |
| P34947 | G protein-coupled receptor kinase 5 |
| Q9Y463 | Dual specificity tyrosine-phosphorylation-regulated kinase 1B |
| P42680 | Tyrosine-protein kinase Tec |
| Q5S007 | Leucine-rich repeat serine/threonine-protein kinase 2 |
| Q9H2X6 | Homeodomain-interacting protein kinase 2 |
| Q14680 | Maternal embryonic leucine zipper kinase |
| Q92918 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase kinase 1 |
| Q02156 | Protein kinase C epsilon type |
| P54753 | Ephrin type-B receptor 3 |
| Q9BVS4 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase RIO2 |
| Q9UEE5 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 17A |
| P51617 | Interleukin-1 receptor-associated kinase 1 |
| P42684 | Tyrosine-protein kinase ABL2 |
| Q9H0K1 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase SIK2 |

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| P05129 | Protein kinase C gamma type |
| Q9P2K8 | eIF-2-alpha kinase GCN2 |
| Q9H4B4 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase PLK3 |
| Q8TF76 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase haspin |
| Q92630 | Dual specificity tyrosine-phosphorylation-regulated kinase 2 |
| Q14164 | Inhibitor of nuclear factor kappa-B kinase subunit epsilon |

The union of clinical PKs in Table S2 and other PKs reported in Table S3 represents chemically explored PKs.

Table S4. Chemically underexplored protein kinases.

| UniProt ID | Protein kinase name |
|-------------------|--|
| Q6P2M8 | Calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase type 1B |
| P35626 | G protein-coupled receptor kinase 3 |
| Q9NQ5 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase PAK 6 |
| Q13163 | Dual specificity mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase 5 |
| P53355 | Death-associated protein kinase 1 |
| Q9H4A3 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase WNK1 |
| Q8TDC3 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase BRSK1 |
| Q9BYP7 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase WNK3 |
| Q13237 | cGMP-dependent protein kinase 2 |
| Q6VAB6 | Kinase suppressor of Ras 2 |
| O15075 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase DCLK1 |
| Q8NE63 | Homeodomain-interacting protein kinase 4 |
| P32298 | G protein-coupled receptor kinase 4 |
| Q9H422 | Homeodomain-interacting protein kinase 3 |
| Q13554 | Calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase type II subunit beta |
| Q96BR1 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Sgk3 |
| Q05823 | 2-5A-dependent ribonuclease |
| Q00532 | Cyclin-dependent kinase-like 1 |

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| P35590 | Tyrosine-protein kinase receptor Tie-1 |
| Q9Y3S1 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase WNK2 |
| O43293 | Death-associated protein kinase 3 |
| Q8IYT8 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase ULK2 |
| Q13705 | Activin receptor type-2B |
| Q9NRH2 | SNF-related serine/threonine-protein kinase |
| P29323 | Ephrin type-B receptor 2 |
| Q15569 | Dual specificity testis-specific protein kinase 1 |
| P0C1S8 | Wee1-like protein kinase 2 |
| Q16566 | Calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase type IV |
| Q96PF2 | Testis-specific serine/threonine-protein kinase 2 |
| Q15835 | Rhodopsin kinase GRK1 |
| O15146 | Muscle, skeletal receptor tyrosine-protein kinase |
| P27037 | Activin receptor type-2A |
| Q96PN8 | Testis-specific serine/threonine-protein kinase 3 |
| Q9H093 | NUAK family SNF1-like kinase 2 |
| Q96Q15 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase SMG1 |
| Q8IWQ3 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase BRSK2 |
| Q9Y616 | Interleukin-1 receptor-associated kinase 3 |
| Q99986 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase VRK1 |
| Q32MK0 | Myosin light chain kinase 3 |

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| Q9H1R3 | Myosin light chain kinase 2, skeletal/cardiac muscle |
| O15021 | Microtubule-associated serine/threonine-protein kinase 4 |
| Q96S53 | Dual specificity testis-specific protein kinase 2 |
| P46734 | Dual specificity mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase 3 |
| Q96Q04 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase LMTK3 |
| Q9UQ88 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 11A |
| Q9UBS0 | Ribosomal protein S6 kinase beta-2 |
| Q15375 | Ephrin type-A receptor 7 |
| Q9NR20 | Dual specificity tyrosine-phosphorylation-regulated kinase 4 |
| Q9Y6E0 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 24 |
| Q8IY84 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase NIM1 |
| Q16644 | MAP kinase-activated protein kinase 3 |
| Q16816 | Phosphorylase b kinase gamma catalytic chain, skeletal muscle/heart isoform |
| Q7KZ17 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase MARK2 |
| Q86Z02 | Homeodomain-interacting protein kinase 1 |
| Q9UBE8 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase NLK |
| O14936 | Peripheral plasma membrane protein CASK |
| Q13523 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase PRP4 homolog |
| Q9H792 | Inactive tyrosine-protein kinase PEAK1 |
| Q86Y07 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase VRK2 |

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| P15735 | Phosphorylase b kinase gamma catalytic chain, liver/testis isoform |
| O75914 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase PAK 3 |
| O76039 | Cyclin-dependent kinase-like 5 |
| Q9P0L2 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase MARK1 |
| Q8TD08 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase 15 |
| O15197 | Ephrin type-B receptor 6 |
| Q09013 | Myotonin-protein kinase |
| Q8IVW4 | Cyclin-dependent kinase-like 3 |
| Q99570 | Phosphoinositide 3-kinase regulatory subunit 4 |
| O14578 | Citron Rho-interacting kinase |
| Q92519 | Tribbles homolog 2 |
| Q86TW2 | AarF domain-containing protein kinase 1 |
| P51957 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Nek4 |
| P29322 | Ephrin type-A receptor 8 |
| Q9NRM7 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase LATS2 |
| Q92772 | Cyclin-dependent kinase-like 2 |
| P42679 | Megakaryocyte-associated tyrosine-protein kinase |
| P54762 | Ephrin type-B receptor 1 |
| P09769 | Tyrosine-protein kinase Fgr |
| Q8TDX7 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Nek7 |
| P78362 | SRSF protein kinase 2 |

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| Q9Y6M4 | Casein kinase I isoform gamma-3 |
| O95382 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 6 |
| Q8NI60 | Atypical kinase COQ8A, mitochondrial |
| P22694 | cAMP-dependent protein kinase catalytic subunit beta |
| Q9BXA7 | Testis-specific serine/threonine-protein kinase 1 |
| Q76MJ5 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase/endoribonuclease IRE2 |
| Q9UPE1 | SRSF protein kinase 3 |
| Q9NY57 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 32B |
| Q9P286 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase PAK 5 |
| P78368 | Casein kinase I isoform gamma-2 |
| Q9P289 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 26 |
| Q96NX5 | Calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase type 1G |
| P51817 | cAMP-dependent protein kinase catalytic subunit PRKX |
| O60307 | Microtubule-associated serine/threonine-protein kinase 3 |
| Q14012 | Calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase type 1 |
| Q96J92 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase WNK4 |
| Q9HCP0 | Casein kinase I isoform gamma-1 |
| O94806 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase D3 |
| Q8N4C8 | Misshapen-like kinase 1 |
| O43187 | Interleukin-1 receptor-associated kinase-like 2 |
| Q9HBY8 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Sgk2 |

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| Q6ZWH5 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Nek10 |
| Q8N5S9 | Calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase kinase 1 |
| Q16512 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase N1 |
| Q6P3R8 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Nek5 |
| P54756 | Ephrin type-A receptor 5 |
| Q8N752 | Casein kinase I isoform alpha-like |
| Q8WTQ7 | Rhodopsin kinase GRK7 |
| Q13555 | Calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase type II subunit gamma |
| Q8NER5 | Activin receptor type-1C |
| Q9HC98 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Nek6 |
| Q6PHR2 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase ULK3 |
| Q56UN5 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 19 |
| Q9UEW8 | STE20/SPS1-related proline-alanine-rich protein kinase |
| Q13873 | Bone morphogenetic protein receptor type-2 |
| Q5MAI5 | Cyclin-dependent kinase-like 4 |
| P52564 | Dual specificity mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase 6 |
| Q86UE8 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase tousled-like 2 |
| P21709 | Ephrin type-A receptor 1 |
| Q6P0Q8 | Microtubule-associated serine/threonine-protein kinase 2 |
| Q13177 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase PAK 2 |

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| O75716 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 16 |
| O00506 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 25 |
| Q86YV6 | Myosin light chain kinase family member 4 |
| Q9NSY1 | BMP-2-inducible protein kinase |
| Q00536 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 16 |
| O75676 | Ribosomal protein S6 kinase alpha-4 |
| P29320 | Ephrin type-A receptor 3 |
| Q9UIK4 | Death-associated protein kinase 2 |
| O14730 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase RIO3 |

Table S5. Chemically un- or underexplored protein kinases categorized as understudied.

| UniProt ID | Protein kinase name |
|-------------------|--|
| P21127 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 11B |
| O14874 | Branched-chain alpha-ketoacid dehydrogenase kinase |
| Q6SA08 | Testis-specific serine/threonine-protein kinase 4 |
| Q58A45 | PAN2-PAN3 deadenylation complex subunit PAN3 |
| Q6DT37 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase MRCK gamma |
| Q9NSY0 | Nuclear receptor-binding protein 2 |
| Q8IWU2 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase LMTK2 |
| Q86TB3 | Alpha-protein kinase 2 |
| Q9NRP7 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 36 |
| Q7Z695 | Uncharacterized aarF domain-containing protein kinase 2 |
| Q96C45 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase ULK4 |
| Q8NE28 | Serine/threonine kinase-like domain-containing protein STKLD1 |
| Q6XUX3 | Dual serine/threonine and tyrosine protein kinase |
| Q9Y6S9 | Ribosomal protein S6 kinase-like 1 |
| Q8IZE3 | Protein-associating with the carboxyl-terminal domain of ezrin |
| Q96QS6 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase H2 |
| Q9BXA6 | Testis-specific serine/threonine-protein kinase 6 |
| P31152 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase 4 |

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| Q9UKI8 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase tousled-like 1 |
| Q8N2I9 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 40 |
| Q8IZL9 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 20 |
| Q8N165 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase PDIK1L |
| Q96S38 | Ribosomal protein S6 kinase delta-1 |
| P0C263 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase SBK2 |
| Q96KG9 | N-terminal kinase-like protein |
| Q38SD2 | Leucine-rich repeat serine/threonine-protein kinase 1 |
| Q9BRS2 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase RIO1 |
| Q8NCB2 | CaM kinase-like vesicle-associated protein |
| Q6P3W7 | SCY1-like protein 2 |
| Q96D53 | Atypical kinase COQ8B, mitochondrial |
| Q8IV63 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase VRK3 |
| Q5TCX8 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 21 |
| Q96Q40 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 15 |
| Q6P5Z2 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase N3 |
| Q9Y2H1 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 38-like |
| P0C264 | Uncharacterized serine/threonine-protein kinase SBK3 |
| Q6ZN16 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 15 |
| Q7Z2Y5 | Nik-related protein kinase |
| Q8TD19 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Nek9 |

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|--------|---|
| Q96L96 | Alpha-protein kinase 3 |
| P51956 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Nek3 |
| Q86YV5 | Inactive tyrosine-protein kinase PRAG1 |
| Q9UPZ9 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase ICK |
| Q5VST9 | Obscurin |
| Q15131 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 10 |
| Q96LW2 | Ribosomal protein S6 kinase-related protein |
| Q9UL54 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase TAO2 |
| Q7Z7A4 | PX domain-containing protein kinase-like protein |
| Q52WX2 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase SBK1 |
| Q96S44 | EKC/KEOPS complex subunit TP53RK |
| P11801 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase H1 |
| Q8TEA7 | TBC domain-containing protein kinase-like protein |
| Q3MIX3 | Uncharacterized aarF domain-containing protein kinase 5 |
| Q07002 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 18 |
| Q9C098 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase DCLK3 |
| Q8NG66 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Nek11 |
| Q9H5K3 | Protein O-mannose kinase |
| Q86SG6 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Nek8 |
| Q00537 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 17 |
| Q86UX6 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 32C |

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| Q9BXU1 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 31 |
| Q8WU08 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 32A |
| Q6P2M8 | Calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase type 1B |
| Q9NQU5 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase PAK 6 |
| Q8TDC3 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase BRSK1 |
| Q9BYP7 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase WNK3 |
| Q8NE63 | Homeodomain-interacting protein kinase 4 |
| Q9H422 | Homeodomain-interacting protein kinase 3 |
| Q00532 | Cyclin-dependent kinase-like 1 |
| Q05823 | 2-5A-dependent ribonuclease |
| Q9Y3S1 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase WNK2 |
| Q15569 | Dual specificity testis-specific protein kinase 1 |
| P0C1S8 | Wee1-like protein kinase 2 |
| Q96PF2 | Testis-specific serine/threonine-protein kinase 2 |
| Q96PN8 | Testis-specific serine/threonine-protein kinase 3 |
| Q9H093 | NUAK family SNF1-like kinase 2 |
| Q8IWQ3 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase BRSK2 |
| O15021 | Microtubule-associated serine/threonine-protein kinase 4 |
| Q96S53 | Dual specificity testis-specific protein kinase 2 |
| Q96Q04 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase LMTK3 |
| Q9UQ88 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 11A |

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|--------|---|
| Q9NR20 | Dual specificity tyrosine-phosphorylation-regulated kinase 4 |
| Q8IY84 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase NIM1 |
| Q9Y6E0 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 24 |
| Q16816 | Phosphorylase b kinase gamma catalytic chain, skeletal muscle/heart isoform |
| Q86Z02 | Homeodomain-interacting protein kinase 1 |
| Q13523 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase PRP4 homolog |
| O76039 | Cyclin-dependent kinase-like 5 |
| P15735 | Phosphorylase b kinase gamma catalytic chain, liver/testis isoform |
| O75914 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase PAK 3 |
| Q86Y07 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase VRK2 |
| Q9P0L2 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase MARK1 |
| Q8TD08 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase 15 |
| Q8IVW4 | Cyclin-dependent kinase-like 3 |
| Q86TW2 | AarF domain-containing protein kinase 1 |
| P51957 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Nek4 |
| Q92772 | Cyclin-dependent kinase-like 2 |
| Q8TDX7 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Nek7 |
| Q9Y6M4 | Casein kinase I isoform gamma-3 |
| Q8NI60 | Atypical kinase COQ8A, mitochondrial |
| P22694 | cAMP-dependent protein kinase catalytic subunit beta |

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| Q9BXA7 | Testis-specific serine/threonine-protein kinase 1 |
| Q76MJ5 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase/endoribonuclease IRE2 |
| Q9UPE1 | SRSF protein kinase 3 |
| Q9NY57 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 32B |
| Q9P286 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase PAK 5 |
| P78368 | Casein kinase I isoform gamma-2 |
| Q96NX5 | Calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase type 1G |
| O60307 | Microtubule-associated serine/threonine-protein kinase 3 |
| Q9HCP0 | Casein kinase I isoform gamma-1 |
| Q6ZWH5 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Nek10 |
| Q8N5S9 | Calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase kinase 1 |
| Q6P3R8 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Nek5 |
| Q8N752 | Casein kinase I isoform alpha-like |
| Q9HC98 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Nek6 |
| Q5MAI5 | Cyclin-dependent kinase-like 4 |
| Q86UE8 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase tousled-like 2 |
| Q6P0Q8 | Microtubule-associated serine/threonine-protein kinase 2 |
| Q00536 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 16 |
| O14730 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase RIO3 |

Chemically un- or underexplored PKs previously categorized as understudied are reported in black and blue, respectively.

Table S6. Chemically explored protein kinases categorized as understudied.

| UniProt ID | Protein kinase name | Approved drugs | Clinical PKIs | Low-confidence PKIs | High-confidence PKIs |
|------------|---|----------------|---------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Q9HBH9 | MAP kinase-interacting serine/threonine-protein kinase 2 | | | 1745 | 1292 |
| Q9BUB5 | MAP kinase-interacting serine/threonine-protein kinase 1 | | 1 | 1669 | 1134 |
| Q99558 | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 14 | | | 1190 | 1062 |
| Q04759 | Protein kinase C theta type | 1 | 3 | 1210 | 812 |
| Q9Y463 | Dual specificity tyrosine-phosphorylation-regulated kinase 1B | | | 662 | 527 |
| Q92630 | Dual specificity tyrosine-phosphorylation-regulated kinase 2 | | | 412 | 307 |
| Q9HAZ1 | Dual specificity protein kinase CLK4 | | | 925 | 263 |
| Q96PY6 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase Nek1 | | | 300 | 244 |

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| P19784 | Casein kinase II subunit alpha | | 697 | 175 |
| Q9NYV4 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 12 | 4 | 995 | 147 |
| Q8IU85 | Calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase type 1D | | 134 | 130 |
| O00418 | Eukaryotic elongation factor 2 kinase | | 127 | 116 |
| O94768 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 17B | | 179 | 115 |
| O43781 | Dual specificity tyrosine-phosphorylation-regulated kinase 3 | | 147 | 114 |
| Q9UEE5 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 17A | | 159 | 100 |
| Q9Y5S2 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase MRCK beta | | 85 | 85 |
| Q13188 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 3 | | 184 | 81 |
| Q96RR4 | Calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase kinase 2 | | 90 | 75 |
| P27448 | MAP/microtubule affinity-regulating kinase 3 | | 87 | 70 |
| Q5VT25 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase MRCK alpha | | 76 | 62 |
| Q99640 | Membrane-associated tyrosine- and threonine-specific cdc2-inhibitory kinase | | 65 | 61 |

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| | Serine/threonine-protein kinase | | | 108 | 59 |
| Q7L7X3 | TAO1 | | | | |
| Q5TCY1 | Tau-tubulin kinase 1 | | | 57 | 57 |
| Q6IQ55 | Tau-tubulin kinase 2 | | | 51 | 51 |
| Q14004 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 13 | | | 103 | 47 |
| | Dual specificity protein kinase | | | 740 | 40 |
| P49761 | CLK3 | | | | |
| | Serine/threonine-protein kinase | | | 59 | 32 |
| Q9BVS4 | RIO2 | | | | |
| | MAP/microtubule affinity- | | | 51 | 30 |
| Q96L34 | regulating kinase 4 | | | | |
| Q9BWU1 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 19 | | | 339 | 25 |
| Q9BYT3 | Serine/threonine-protein kinase 33 | | | 189 | 23 |
| | Mitogen-activated protein kinase | | 1 | 19 | 19 |
| Q02779 | kinase kinase 10 | | | | |
| P29376 | Leukocyte tyrosine kinase receptor | 4 | | 18 | 11 |
| O94921 | Cyclin-dependent kinase 14 | | | 102 | 10 |
| Q8NEV1 | Casein kinase II subunit alpha 3 | | | 182 | 9 |
| | cAMP-dependent protein kinase | | 1 | 252 | 6 |
| P22612 | catalytic subunit gamma | | | | |

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