

## Figure S1

Class-distinctive sites in structural context. G $\alpha$ i1 is in complex with the G $\beta$ •G $\gamma$  (deepblue/copper cartoon) heterodimer (PDB ID 1GP2). G $\alpha$  is shown as spheres (A) or cartoon (B) with core residues colored gray if the residues are conserved between G $\alpha$  subunits of different classes. All distinctive sites are colored according to the distinctive class (G(io) = green; G(q) = hot pink; G(s) = marine; G(12) = yellow orange). Non-core residues and d sites are colored white. Class-distinctive sites are numbered according to their position in the signature sequence (see Figures 4D, 5D, 6D, 7D, 8). Sites are placed on G $\alpha$ i1 for relative positioning, no actual mammalian G $\alpha$  subunit has distinctive sites from more than one class unless it is a chimera.