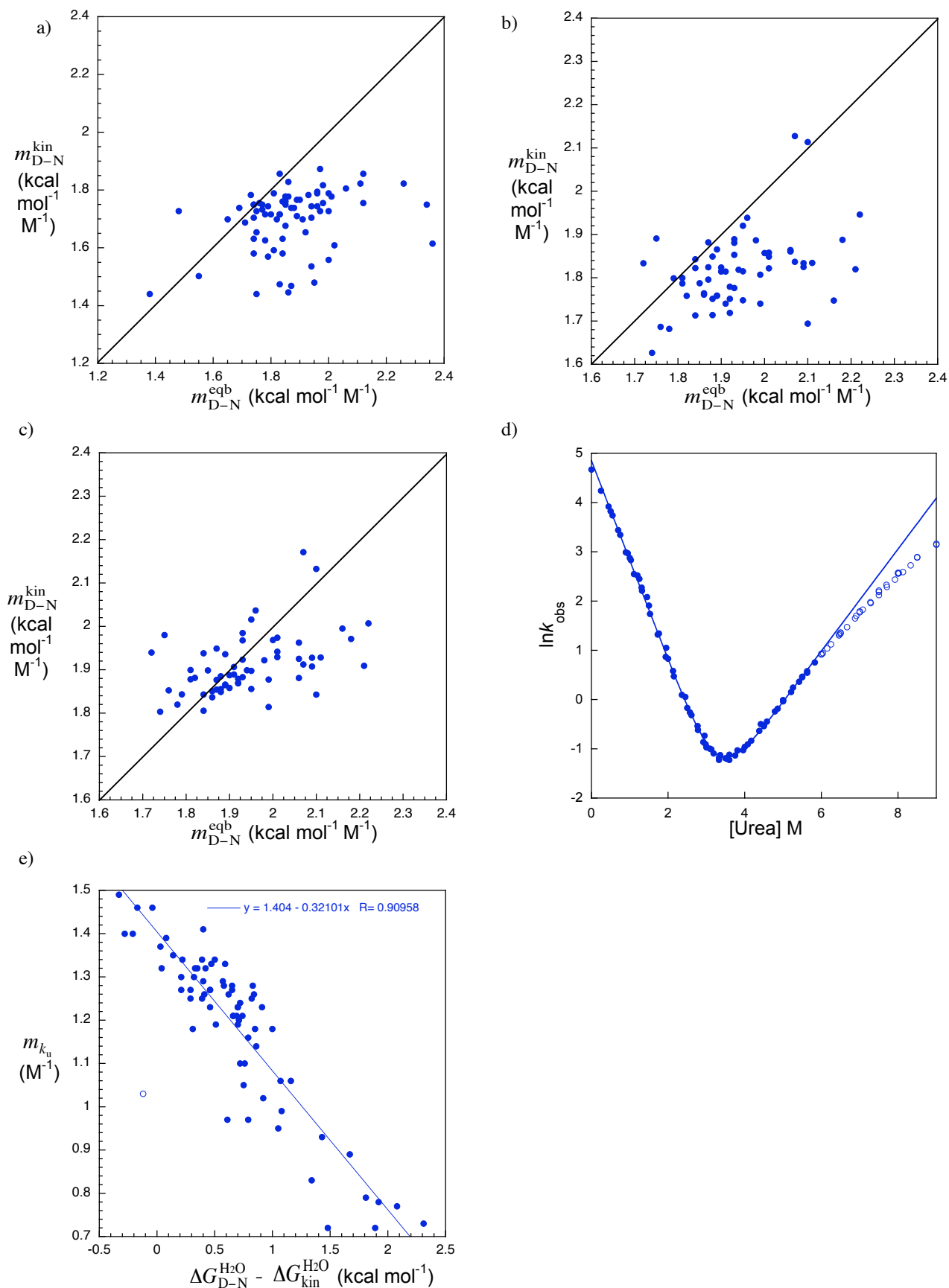


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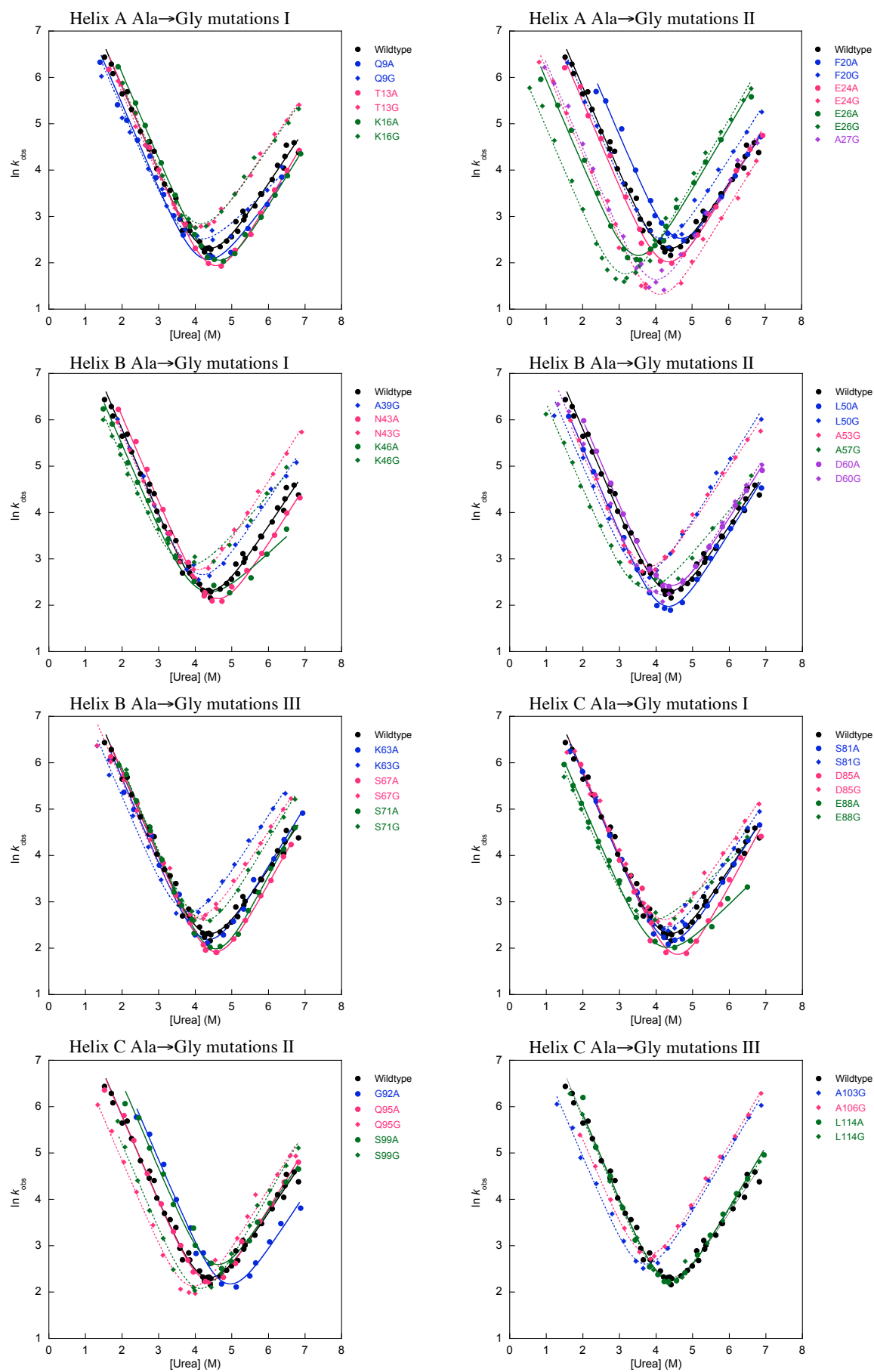
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Supplementary Figure S1. The variation seen in m_{k_u} and its effects. (a) – (c) Comparisons of equilibrium (m_{D-N}^{eqb}) and kinetic (m_{D-N}^{kin}) m_{D-N} for (a) wild-type R15 and all mutants, (b) wild-type R16 and all mutants using only data collected between 0 and 6 M urea and fit with a

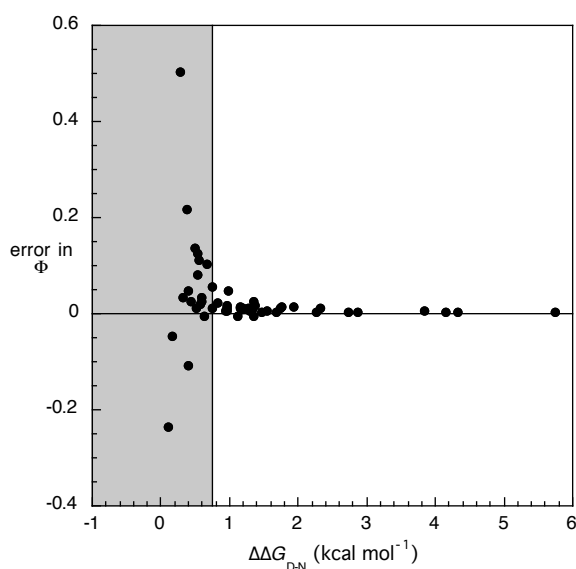
standard two-state chevron fit and (c) R16 and all mutants using all data collected and fit with a sequential transition state fit^{1,2}. Lines have the equation $y = x$. (d) The chevron plot for wild-type R16 at 25 °C. Data collected > 6 M urea have open circles and were not included in the fit. The continuous line represents the fit of the filled circles to a standard two-state chevron fit with parameters: $k_f^{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = 128 \text{ s}^{-1}$, $k_u^{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = 5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$, $m_{k_f} = 2.0 \text{ M}^{-1}$, $m_{k_u} = 1.0 \text{ M}^{-1}$. (e) Effect of m_{k_u} on $\Delta G_{\text{D-N}}^{\text{H}_2\text{O}} - \Delta G_{\text{kin}}^{\text{H}_2\text{O}}$ for wild-type R15 and all mutants. The equation shows a linear fit to the data. The open circle is I55A, which has a very short unfolding arm due to a low stability and low Φ -value, and has been excluded from the fit.



Supplementary Figure S2

Supplementary Figure S2. Chevron plots and fits for R15 Ala-Gly scanning mutations.

Continuous lines represent the fit for each mutant to a globally fitted two-state fit with a shared m_{k_f} .



Supplementary Figure S3. The errors in Φ are low where $\Delta\Delta G_{D-N} \leq 0.75$. This was the cut-off used in our study.

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