

were refined using REFMAC5⁶³ with TLS refinement using TLSMD⁶⁴ and TLSANL⁶⁵ in the CCP4 suite⁶⁶. Structures were analyzed with PROCHECK⁶⁷ and figures were generated using PYMOL⁶⁸.

Infectivity Assays

293T cells were seeded in 6-well plates at 8×10^5 cells per well and co-transfected with a pEGFP-VPS4A expression vector and an HIV-1 vector system (packaging and transfer plasmids kindly provided by D. Trono, and envelope plasmid kindly provided by J. Burns). Briefly, 12 μ l Fugene 6 Transfection Reagent (Roche Diagnostics) was combined with 85.14 μ l Optimem (no additives) and incubated at room temperature for 5 minutes. 1 μ g of pCMVDR8.2, 1 μ g of pWPTS-nlsLacZ, 0.36 μ g pCMV-VSVG, and 0.5 μ g of wild type or mutant pEGFP-VPS4A was combined with the transfection mixture (final volume of 100 μ l) and incubated at room temperature for 20 minutes. Virions were harvested ~48 h post-transfection and used to transduce the reporter HeLa-M cell line as described previously³⁸ or used in Western blotting experiments to analyze virion release.

Virion Release Assays

Virion-containing supernatants and proteins from transfected cells were prepared for Western blotting as described^{69, 70}. Primary antibodies used were: rabbit anti-HIV-1 MA (1:1000, D. Trono), rabbit anti-HIV-1 CA UT415 (1:1000, Covance), rabbit anti-VPS4A UT289 (1:000, Covance), and mouse anti- γ -Tubulin GTU-88 (1:5000, Abcam). Secondary antibodies used were: goat anti-rabbit ALEXA680nm (1:20,000,