

Supporting Information

The vital dye CDr10b labels the zebrafish mid-intestine and lumen

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Supplementary Figures and Tables

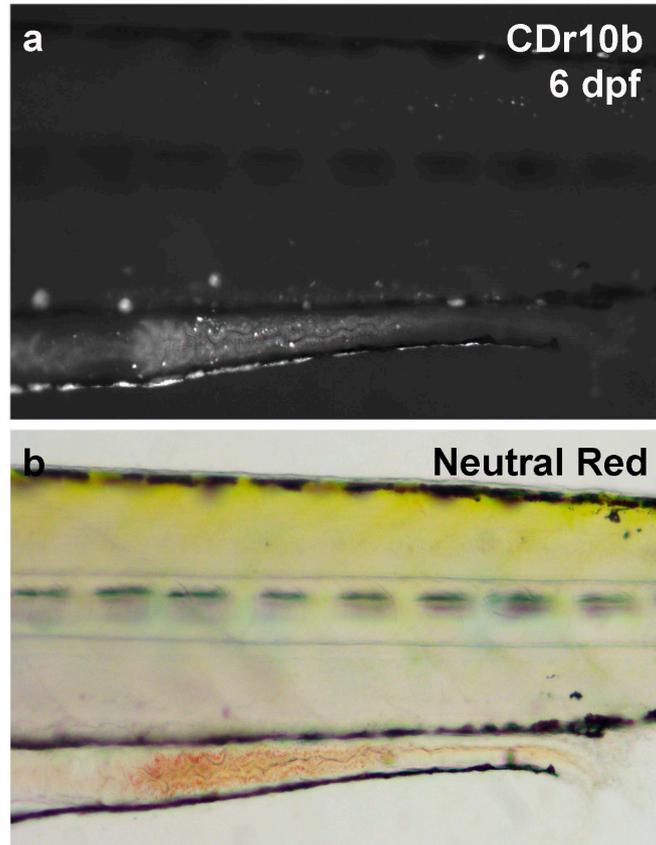


Figure S1. CDr10b and Neutral Red co-localize in the mid-intestine. a) Larva stained with 100 nM CDr10b for 45 min at 5 dpf. b) Same larva stained with 2.5 $\mu\text{g} / \text{ml}$ Neutral Red for 5 hrs at 6 dpf, days post fertilization. Neutral Red staining was performed as described in Oehlers *et al* [13].

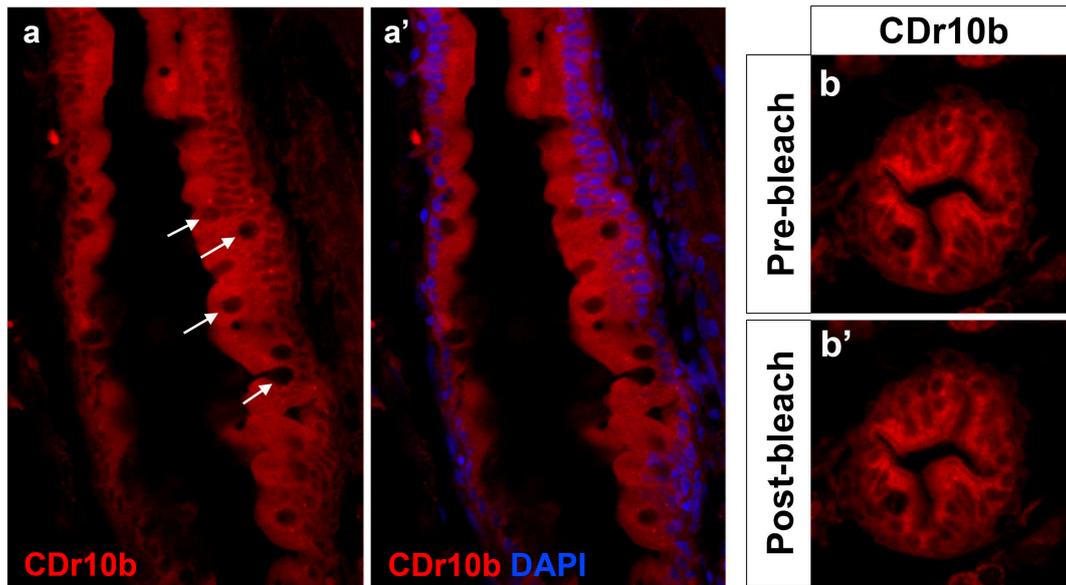


Figure S2. CDr10b on sections. a, a') Sagittal section through the mid-intestinal segment of a 7 dpf larva shows cytoplasmic CDr10b signal present in all cells, while the nuclei (DAPI, blue) are negative. The dark spots correspond to mucus droplets of goblet cells (arrows). b) Transverse sections before photobleaching. b') Same sections photographed after 5 min photobleaching, using the same exposure settings.

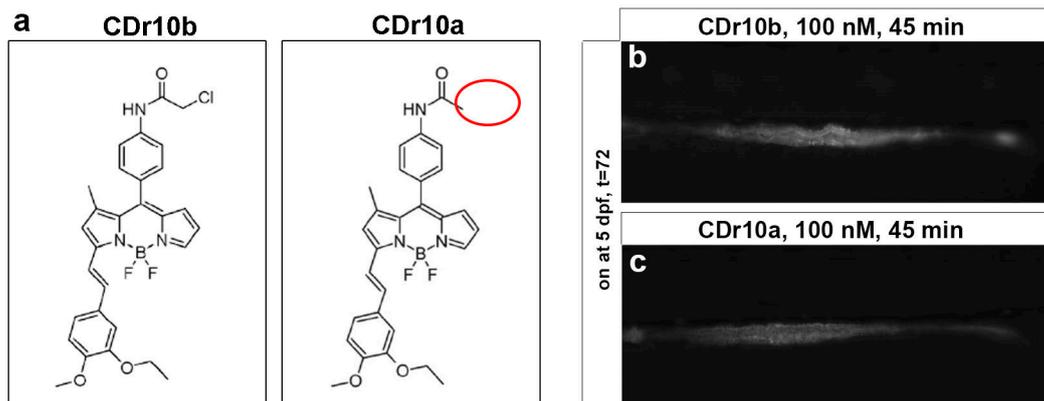


Figure S3. a) Chemical structures and properties of CDr10b and CDr10a. The chloroacetyl motif is absent in CDr10a (red circle). b, c) Intestine-labeling properties of CDr10a, the non-chloroacetylated version of CDr10b. Larvae were treated at 5 dpf with 100 nM CDr10b (a) or CDr10a (b) for 45 min, followed by double washout, daily medium change and imaging at t=72 hrs. No differences in signal intensity or location were detectable. Photos were captured under the same exposure settings. dpf, days post fertilization; t, time post treatment.

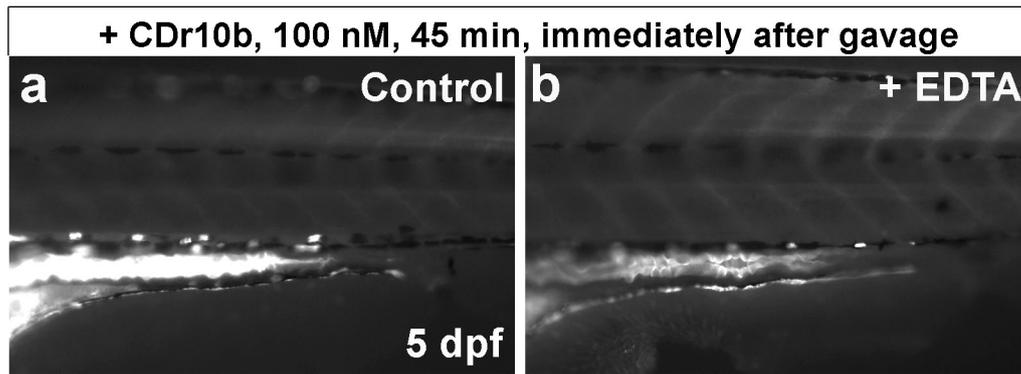


Figure S4. CDr10b as marker for intestinal integrity. a) Control (gavage with E3 larval water) b) Larva after gavage with 20 mM EDTA. EDTA disrupts the tight junctions of the intestinal epithelium releasing CDr10b into surrounding tissues (ventral fin) and the circulation. Note the lower intensity of CDr10b in the leaky (EDTA-damaged) intestinal tube (b) compared to the control (a). The same exposure settings were used for panels a and b. dpf, days post fertilization. Oral gavage was performed as described in Cocchiario and Rawls [15].

Table S1. Summary of staging, duration, dosage and toxicity of CDr10b treatment in larval zebrafish. n, number; t, time after treatment; dpf, days post fertilization.

| CDr10b/a or DMSO on at | Duration | Dose | n | 24-hr Survival | Effects at t=24 hrs | Effects at t=48 hrs | Effects at t=72 hrs | Conclusions |
|------------------------|----------|-------------|----|----------------|---|---|--|--|
| CDr10b 3 dpf | 45 min | 100 nM | 15 | 93.3% | CDr10b in yolk and intestinal lumen; cloaca opening ~4 dpf | Little CDr10b in the lumen. | Mid-intestinal cells labeled with CDr10b; small cast formation in ~25% of the larvae | - At 3 - 4 dpf, CDr10b can be used to monitor the progress of intestinal development (opening of the cloaca) - Mid-intestinal cells take up CDr10b from 5 dpf on. |
| CDr10b 3 dpf | 24 hrs | 100 nM | 19 | 94.7% | Same as after 45 min but also in circulation | | | |
| DMSO 3 dpf | 24 hrs | 0.01% | 14 | 100% | Autofluorescence only | Autofluor. only | Autofluor. only | - See Figure 3a-c |
| CDr10b 4 dpf | 45 min | 100 nM | 21 | 100% | CDr10b in intestinal lumen; excretion by peristalsis; no cell staining | | | |
| CDr10b 4 dpf | 24 hrs | 100 nM | 17 | 100% | Same as after 45 min but brighter | | | |
| DMSO 4 dpf | 24 hrs | 0.01% | 21 | 90.5% | Autofluorescence only | | | |
| CDr10b 5 dpf | 45 min | 100 nM | 83 | 98.8% | Little CDr10b left in the lumen left; mid-intestinal cells specifically labeled with CDr10b | Effects at t=96 hrs Survival: 100%, n=16 DMSO: 100%, n=10 Signal intensity see Figure 3d. | Best dose and duration of treatment for CDr10b readout: 100 nM, 45 min , at 5 dpf (Figure 2) | |
| CDr10b 5 dpf | 24 hrs | 100 nM | 50 | 100% | Same as after 45 min but brighter | | | |
| DMSO 5 dpf | 24 hrs | 0.01% | 70 | 100% | Autofluorescence only | | | |
| CDr10b 5 dpf | 10 min | 100 nM | 20 | 100% | Barely detectable | | | |
| CDr10b 5 dpf | 20 min | 100 nM | 15 | 100% | Much weaker than after 45 min | | | |
| CDr10b 5 dpf | 45 min | 10 nM | 16 | 100% | Much weaker than with 100 nM | | | |
| CDr10b 5 dpf | 45 min | 1 nM | 15 | 93.3% | Barely detectable | | | |
| CDr10b 5 dpf | 45 min | 100 pM | 22 | 100% | Not detectable | | | |
| CDr10b 5 dpf | 45 min | 100 μ M | 16 | 100% | Very bright CDr10b staining in mid-intestinal cells | | | |
| CDr10b 5 dpf | 45 min | 100 nM | 22 | 100% | | | | No difference in signal intensity See Figure S2 |
| CDr10a 5 dpf | 45 min | 100 nM | 33 | 100% | | | | |

Table S2. Detailed summary of DEAB-treatment. dpf, days post fertilization; n, number; som: somite.

| Reagent | Stage | Dose | CDr10b on at | Dose, Duration | n | Phenotypes | | | Other observations |
|---------|----------------|-----------|--------------|----------------|----|------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| | | | | | | Normal | Minor shift to anterior | Major shift to anterior | |
| DMSO | 8-som – 10-som | 0.01% | 5 dpf | 100 nM, 45 min | 11 | 11 | 0 | 0 | - Minor necrosis - 20% of the larvae are slightly delayed in development (swim bladder not formed by 6 dpf) |
| DEAB | 8-som – 10-som | 1 μ M | 5 dpf | 100 nM, 45 min | 11 | 1 | 8 | 2 | |
| DMSO | 8-som – 15-som | 0.01% | 5 dpf | 100 nM, 45 min | 12 | 12 | 0 | 0 | - Minor necrosis in DMSO and DEAB-treated larvae - 25 - 50% of the larvae are slightly delayed in development - 20% show small cardiac edema |
| DEAB | 8-som – 15-som | 1 μ M | 5 dpf | 100 nM, 45 min | 17 | 0 | 3 | 14 | |