

# **Dissection of protein kinase pathways in live cells using photoluminescent probes: surveillance or interrogation?**

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**Table S1.** Representatives of Class 1B probes.

Probe name	Consensus sequence <sup>1</sup>	Target PK(s)	Affinity <i>in vitro</i> <sup>2</sup>	Mode of delivery <sup>3</sup>	Concentration and incubation time in cell imaging assay	Comments on reporter moiety and optical properties	Ref
Abltide-TAT	E-A-I-Y-A-A-P	Abl 1,2	NA	Covalently linked with CPP (TAT)	50 nM; 24 h	Labelled with Cy5 at Cys introduced into linker at the C-terminus of probe; fluorescence lifetime is changed in the presence of target PK	[1]
ASOR	A-R-K-R-E-R-A-Y-S-F-K	Akt/PKB	NA	Covalently linked with CPP (TAT)	20 $\mu$ M; 20 min	Labelled with Cy5 at Lys; 32% enhancement of fluorescence upon phosphorylation	[2]
CDKACT	G-G-C-S-T-P-K-K-A-K-K-L (activated with cyclins)	Cdk 1,2,4	NA	complexed with Pep1	1-3 $\mu$ M; 1h	Labelled with Cy5 at Cys preceding phosphorylatable Thr; conjugated with PAAD and RFP; 60% enhancement of fluorescence upon phosphorylation	[3]
Probe 2 + Evans Blue	G-R-T-G-R-R-F-S-Y-amide	PKAc	$K_m^{app}$ ca 0.35 $\mu$ M	hypotonic dilution method	1 $\mu$ M probe, 2 $\mu$ M quencher; 40 min	N-terminally labelled with Atto633; unconjugated quencher used (Evans Blue); 30-fold enhancement of fluorescence upon phosphorylation <i>in vitro</i> , 3.9-fold in lysate; caged version of probe available	[4]
ARII	D-L-D-V-P-I-P-G-R-F-D-R-R-V-S-V-A-A-C	PKAc	NA	Cell-permeable	100 ug/mL; 30-60 min	Labelled with acrylodan at the C-terminus; 3.3% reduction of fluorescence upon phosphorylation; DRII version of probe with improved cell membrane penetrative properties available	[5]
Compound 1	S-F-R-R-R-K-amide	PKC $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$	$K_m^{app} = 5.0\text{-}9.0 \mu\text{M}$ $k_{cat} = 180\text{-}380 \text{ min}^{-1}$ (dependent on PK isoform)	micro-injection	200 $\mu$ M; final estimated concentration of 20 $\mu$ M in cells	N-terminally labelled with NBD; 1.5-fold enhancement of fluorescence upon phosphorylation; caged version of probe available	[6-8]
Sensor 8	Ac-E-E-Dab-I-Y-G-I-E-A-amide	Src	$K_m^{app} = 300 \mu\text{M}$	micro-injection	200 $\mu$ M; final estimated concentration of 20 $\mu$ M in cells	Labelled with Cascade Yellow via Dab; 2.7-fold enhancement of fluorescence upon phosphorylation; caged version of probe available	[9]

<b>VSOR</b>	G-R-R-R-A-A-P-E-D-L- <u>Y-K</u>	VEGFR2 (KDR)	NA	Covalently linked with CPP (TAT)	20 μM; 20 min	Labelled with 5-FAM at Lys; 28% enhancement of fluorescence upon phosphorylation	[2]
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The rows in the table are arranged according to the target PKs presented in the alphabetic order, and then sorted by year of publication.<sup>1</sup> Phosphorylatable amino acid is shown in bold and is underlined; Dab, (L)-2,4-diaminobutanoic acid.<sup>2</sup> NA, not available in literature.<sup>3</sup> CPP, cell-penetrating peptide.

**Table S2.** Representatives of Class 3A probes .

Probe name	PK-sensing fragment	Target PK(s)	Affinity <i>in vitro</i> <sup>1</sup>	Major off-targets <sup>1</sup>	Concentration and incubation time in cell imaging assay	Comments on reporter moiety and optical properties	Ref
REVERSIBLE (NON-COVALENT) PROBES							
MLN8054-TCO + TR-Tz / CFDA-Tz	MLN8054	Aurora A	437 nM (probe labelled with Texas Red) 62 nM (unlabelled MLN8054-TCO) 1.5 nM (unlabelled MLN8054)	Aurora B, Flt4 (unlabelled MLN8054)	125-1500 nM 20-30 min (followed by 1 μM TR-TZ for 20 min or 190 nM CFDA-TZ for 30 min)	Labelled with Texas Red (TR) or carboxyfluorescein diacetate (CFDA) after introducing into cells as MLN8054-TCO; CFDA preferred for imaging	[10]
REVERSIBLE (NON-COVALENT) PROBES							
Vemurafenib-derived probes	Vemurafenib (PLX4720)	BRAF (including V600E mutant), c-RAF	250-730 nM (probe, dependent on the label) 110 nM (unlabelled vemurafenib)	SRMS, ACK1, MAP4K5 (KHS1), FGR (unlabelled vemurafenib)	1 μM; 1-2 h	Several fluorescent dyes tested; BODIPY 493/503 preferred for cellular studies	[11]
CDKSENS	peptide derived from CDC6 (HHAGPRK) and peptide derived from p107 (RRLFGE)	Cdk 1/2 complex with cyclin A/B	8...18 nM (probe with FITC label, dependent on target PK complex used)	Other CDKs and cyclins (probe)	3 μM; 1 h	Cy3 label used for cellular applications; detection performed relative to control peptide labelled with Cy5	[12]
ARC-1837	ARC-1836 (conjugate of ATP analogue and oligoaspartate)	CK2	3.0 nM (probe ARC-1836, not as prodrug)	TAK1, GSK3β (unlabelled analogue)	1-10 μM; 1-2 h	Labelled with BODIPY FL	[13]
Compound 2	GE11 peptide (YHWYGYTPQNV)	EGFR	8.9 μM (probe) 22 nM (unlabelled GE11)	Not reported	1 μM; 1-6 h	Labelled with NIR fluorophore Cy5.5	[14]
QD-AZD4547	AZD4547	FGFR3	100 nM (probe) 7.6 nM (unlabelled AZD4547)	FGFR 1, 2, 4; VEGFR2 (KDR) (unlabelled AZD4547)	5 nM; 30 min	Labelled with Qdot 605 ITK; imaging performed only after fixation of cells	[15]

<b>Probe 6</b>	N-phenyl-4-aminoquinazoline scaffold	HER2	27 nM (probe)	Not reported	2 µM; 20 min	The PK-targeting fragment gains fluorescence upon binding to PK (max Ex 320 nm, Em 480 nm)	[16,17]
<b>MERi-SiR</b>	UNC2025	Mer	0.74 nM (unlabelled UNC2025)	Flt3, Axl, Tyro3 (unlabelled UNC2025)	3 µM; 24 h	Labelled with NIR fluorophore SiR, gains fluorescence upon binding to target PK	[18]
<b>ARC-1185</b>	conjugate of Se-containing ATP analogue and oligoarginine	PKAc, Rho kinase II, MSK1, Akt3, PKCδ	Less than 0.2 nM to 40 nM (dependent on the PK)	Basophilic PKs (generic probe)	10 µM; 1 h	Labelled with Texas Red; gains long-lifetime luminescence ( $\tau > 20 \mu\text{s}$ ) in complex with target PKs (Ex 365 nm, Em 610 nm)	[19]
<b>Probe 1, 2</b>	SBE13	Plk1	0.2 nM (unlabelled SBE13)	Selective within a small panel of mitotic PKs	20 µM; 20 h	Labelled with coumarin (probe 1) or NIR fluorophore 3-cyano-4-phenyl-2(5H)-furanone (probe 2)	[20]
<b>BI-BODIPY</b>	BI2536	Plk 1,2,3	5-19 nM (probe, dependent on Plk isoform) 4-11 nM (unlabelled BI2536, dependent on Plk isoform)	Highly selective	100 nM; 2h	Labelled with BODIPY FL	[21]; similar scaffold reported by [22]
<b>dasatinib-BODIPY</b>	Dasatinib (Sprycel, BMS-354825)	Src family	One-digit nanomolar (probe) Subnanomolar (unlabelled dasatinib)	Abl, BTK, EphB2 (probe) Abl, c-Kit, PDGFR (unlabelled dasatinib)	100 nM; 2 h	Labelled with BODIPY FL	[23]
<b>Molecule 1</b>	IY-IY (incorporates Ile and Tyr analogues)	TrkC	ca 0.2 µM (probe)	Not reported	1 µM; 12 h	Incorporates photosensitizer based on diiodo-BODIPY	[24]; similar compound reported in [25]

<b>SP1</b>	sunitinib	VEGFR2 (KDR)	2.2 $\mu$ M (probe) 80 nM (unlabelled sunitinib)	Various Tyr PKs including PDGFR $\alpha$ , $\beta$ , Kit, Flt3 (unlabelled sunitinib)	1 $\mu$ M; 30 min	Labelled with pyrene; gains fluorescence upon binding to target PKs	[26]
<b>IRREVERSIBLE (COVALENT) PROBES</b>							
<b>DA-2 + rhodamine-N<sub>3</sub></b>	dasatinib	Abl, Src family PKs	15 nM (probe; after 20 min incubation) 3.6 nM (unlabelled dasatinib)	See proteomics results in [27] (probe) c-Kit, PDGFRb (unlabelled dasatinib)	20 $\mu$ M; 5 h	Labelled post-fix with rhodamine-N <sub>3</sub> after introducing into live cells as DA-2; photoactivatable	[27]
<b>MLN-2 + rhodamine-N<sub>3</sub> / Cy5-N<sub>3</sub></b>	MLN-8237	Aurora A	15 nM (probe; after 20 min incubation) 5.2 nM (unlabelled MLN-8237)	See proteomics results in [28] (probe); Aurora B, Blk, Yes1, Abl1 (unlabelled MLN-8237)	2 $\mu$ M; 1 h	Labelled post-fix with rhodamine-N <sub>3</sub> or Cy5-N <sub>3</sub> after introducing into live cells as MLN-2; photoactivatable	[28]
<b>Probe 1</b>	Covalent inhibitor ibrutinib	Btk	ca 0.72 nM (unlabelled ibrutinib; after 1 h incubation)	Lyn, Lck (unlabelled ibrutinib)	1 $\mu$ M; 25 min - 1 h	Labelled with BODIPY FL; dye fluorescence in free probe quenched by dinitrophenyl group, requires several hours for uncaging by target PK	[29]; similar ABPP probe reported by [30]
<b>PU-1 + Cy5-N<sub>3</sub></b>	Purvalanol B	Cdk1	34 nM (probe; after 20 min incubation) 21 nM (unlabelled purvalanol B)	See proteomics results in [28] (probe) Cdk2, Cdk5 (unlabelled purvalanol B)	2 $\mu$ M; 1 h	Labelled post-fix with Cy5-N <sub>3</sub> after introducing into live cells as PU-1; photoactivatable	[28,31]

<b>Cy3-RA1</b>	Covalent inhibitor RA1	EGFR, HER2, JAK3	ca 340 nM (probe; after 30 min incubation) 22 nM (unlabelled RA1; after 30 min incubation)	MEK4, LKB1 (unlabelled RA1)	100 nM; 30 min	Labelled with Cy3	[32]
<b>STS-1 + rhodamine-N<sub>3</sub></b>	staurosporine	PKAc	62 nM (probe; after 20 min incubation) 35 nM (unlabelled staurosporine)	Ser/Thr PKs (generic probe)	20 μM; 1 h	Labelled post-fix with rhodamine-N <sub>3</sub> after introducing into live cells as STS-1; photoactivatable	[31,33,34]

The rows in the table are arranged according to the target PKs presented in the alphabetic order, and then sorted by year of publication.<sup>1</sup> Data on probe and/or non-labelled PK-sensing fragment provided (see information in brackets).

Table S3. Representatives of Class 3B probes.

Probe name	PK-targeting scaffold	Target PK(s)	Affinity <i>in vitro</i> <sup>1</sup>	Mode of delivery	Concentration and incubation time in cell imaging assay	Comments on reporter moiety and optical properties	Ref
BINDING-RESPONSIVE							
GFP CaMKII FingR	Fibronectin intrabody generated with mRNA display	CaMK II	NA	Genetically encoded		Tagged with GFP	[35]
QD-EGF	Mono-biotinylated EGF coupled to streptavidin-(PEG)-QDs	EGFR	NA	Cells, tissues: extracellular	2 nM; 30 min	Labelled with 625QD, 655QD, or 705QD	[36]
QD-MAb (EGFR)	Mouse monoclonal antibodies 528 (IgG <sub>2a</sub> ), H-11 (IgG <sub>1</sub> ) and H199.12 (IgG <sub>2a</sub> ) against extracellular portion of EGFR	EGFR	NA	Cells, tissues: extracellular	5 µg/mL; 30 min	Labelled with 625QD, 655QD, or 705QD directly or <i>via</i> secondary antibody	[36]
Z(EGFR)-Green/Red	Affibody (7 kDa)	EGFR	20-28 nM (probe, dependent on FP tag)	Extracellular	100 µg/mL; 1 h	Tagged with EGFP or mCherry	[37]
EGFR biosensor	One or two SH2 domains derived from protein Grb2	EGFR	NA	Genetically encoded		Tagged with tagRFP; co-expressed with GFP that was utilized as a volume marker for ratiometric measurement	[38]
EGF-Atto532/Cy5	Recombinant mouse EGF	EGFR	NA	Extracellular	0.4 nM + 0.4 nM (mixture of differently labelled probes); no pre-incubation	Labelled with Atto532 or Cy5; super-resolution and oblique illumination achieved using uPAINT principle	[39]
Panitumumab-Atto647N	Panitumumab antibody	EGFR	NA	Extracellular	0.4 nM; no pre-incubation	Labelled with Atto647N; oblique illumination achieved using uPAINT principle	[39]
Z <sub>EGFR:1907-</sub> FAP <sub>dL5**-</sub> Z <sub>EGFR:1907</sub> (AFA)	Affibody Z <sub>EGFR:1907</sub>	EGFR	37 nM (probe)	Extracellular	250 nM; 1 h	Labelled on cells with malachite green derivative MG-B-tau (100 nM, 5 min); fluorescence enhancement of MG occurs in complex with FAP	[40]

CNDC	Centyrin 83v2Cys (10 kDa)	EGFR	0.6 nM $k_{off} = 2.9 \cdot 10^{-5}$ s (unlabelled Centyrin)	Extracellular	100 nM; 1h	Labelled with NIR dye S0456	[41]
Z(HER2)- Green/Red	Affibody (7 kDa)	HER2	12-13 nM (probe, dependent on FP tag)	Extracellular	100 µg/mL; 1 h	Tagged with EGFP or mCherry	[37]
His <sup>6</sup> - ZHER2:GS-Cys- DyLight750	Affibody (8.3 kDa)	HER2	NA	Cells: extracellular (cells) (recognizes extracellular part of HER2) Animals: injection	0.5 µg/mL; 1.5 h 10 µg (animals)	Labelled with NIR fluorophore DyLight750; labelling with DyLight488 was applied in pilot experiments; fluorescence lifetime imaging used	[42]
QD-Anti-HER2- Ab	Mouse anti-HER2 monoclonal antibody	HER2	NA	Extracellular	100 µg/mL; 1 h	Labelled with NIR QDs	[43]
SFK monobody biosensor	Fibronectin monobody 1F11 (95 residues) against SH3 domain	Src family PKs	0.69 µM (probe) 0.25 µM (unlabelled 1F11)	microinjection	40 µM; 30-60 min	Tagged with m-Cerulean and labelled with merocyanine dye mero-53; ratio of emission of the environmentally sensitive dye vs FP measured	[44]
Extracellular							
PHOSPHORYLATION-RESPONSIVE							
Fab311-488	Monoclonal antibodies against phospho-Ser10 in histone H3 (with different state of adjacent Lys9 methylation)	Aurora B <sup>2</sup>	NA	Cells: using 100 µM glass beads Animals: injection	500 µg/mL; over 4 h	Labelled with Alexa Fluor 488	[45]
Fab313-488							

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