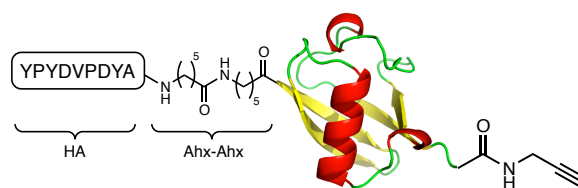


# UbiQ

targeting the ubiquitin system

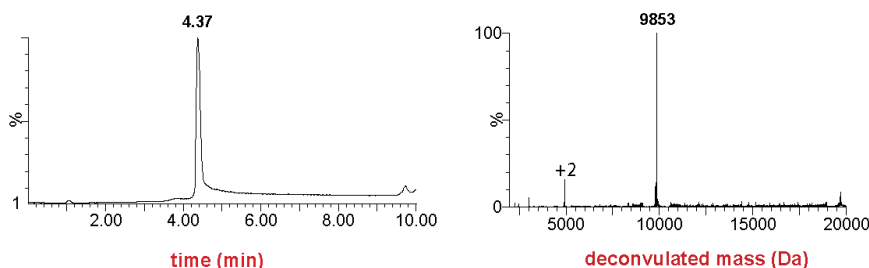


## HA-Ahx-Ahx-Ub-PA (human sequence, synthetic)

UbiQ code : UbiQ-078  
Batch # : B01052014-001  
Amount : 50 ug, lyophilized powder  
Purity :  $\geq 95\%$  by RP-HPLC  
Mol. Weight : 9.85 kDa  
Storage : upon arrival, powder at  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$ ; solution at  $-80^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Please avoid multiple freeze/thaw cycles.

## Productsheet

**Background. UbiQ-078** (Figure 1) is a potent and specific inhibitor of deubiquitinating enzymes (DUBs) containing the propargyl amide (PA) as a newly discovered DUB activity warhead.<sup>1,2</sup> It can be used for activity profiling experiments and determining DUB inhibitor specificity,<sup>1-3</sup> using two unique capabilities of the PA warhead: it forms a covalent linkage with (the active site Cys residue of) a DUB that can be cleaved by acid treatment (5% aq. TFA), allowing for proteomic analyses (Fig 1A).<sup>1</sup> Secondly, it targets all three major DUB families: UCH, USP and OTU (Fig 1BC).<sup>1</sup> **UbiQ-078** is N-terminally tagged with the HA peptide sequence (YPYDVPDYA) derived from the influenza hemagglutinin protein and allows for the sensitive identification or purification of DUBs by anti-HA antibodies and/or anti-HA-agarose. The HA tag is separated from the Ub N-terminus by two aminohexanoic acid (Ahx) linkers for efficient recognition of the tag.



**LC-MS analysis.** Mobile phase A = 1%  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ , 0.1% formic acid in water (milliQ) and B = 1% water (milliQ) and 0.1% formic acid in  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ . XBridge BEH300 C18 5 $\mu\text{m}$  4.6x100mm; column T =  $40^{\circ}\text{C}$ , flow= 0.8 mL/min. Gradient: 20–50% over 6.5 min.

### important: sample preparation

- dissolve the powder in as little DMSO as possible (e.g. 20 mg/mL) and add this DMSO stock slowly to milliQ (please note the order of addition).
- next, buffer as desired.<sup>1-3</sup> In general, HEPES and Tris buffers are standard for DUB assays. Please note that certain DUBs react different to low or high NaCl concentrations.
- a final buffered stock of for example 0.5 mg/mL contains 2.5 vol% DMSO.
- if required, total removal of DMSO is accomplished by dialysis or spin-filtration (3 kDa cut-off membrane).
- for detailed experimental conditions please see open-access reference 1

\* please note: Ub proteins tend to show aggregation during SDS-PAGE analysis of (di)Ub conjugates. This can be caused by (heat-induced) aggregation (Morimoto et al. *Sci Rep* **2018**, 8, article 2711). If possible, avoid heating the samples in Laemmli sample buffer and/or add 4M urea to your SDS-PAGE analysis samples.

**Literature.** (1) Ekkebus et al. *J Am Chem Soc* **2013**, 135, 2867: <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1002/cbic.201200497/abstract>.  
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