Supplementary Figure Legend

Figure S1. Overexpression of *Pf*HRPIImyc does not affect its PEXEL processing. (A) Overexpressed *Pf*HRPIImyc enriched from the saponin supernatant of trophozoite-infected RBCs was subjected to an Asp-N in-digestion and analyzed by MALDI-TOF MS. The inset Coomassie-stained gel (left) and antic-Myc Western blot (right) confirms the enriched protein. The gel band was excised for proteolysis because of contaminating red cell proteins. The peptide fragment at *m*/*z* 1953.87 (*) was selected for tandem MS analysis. (B) *De novo* sequencing of *Pf*HRPIImyc *m*/*z* 1953.87. CID analysis reveals that *m*/*z* 1953.87 is the most N-terminal peptide fragment and demonstrates that the PEXEL in *Pf*HRPIImyc is also cleaved after residue 47 (⁴⁵RLL↓) and the mature N-terminus is N-acetylated (Ac-HE⁴⁹). Residues in the sequenced peptide that are bold and underlined are a part of the *Pf*HRPIImyc PEXEL motif.



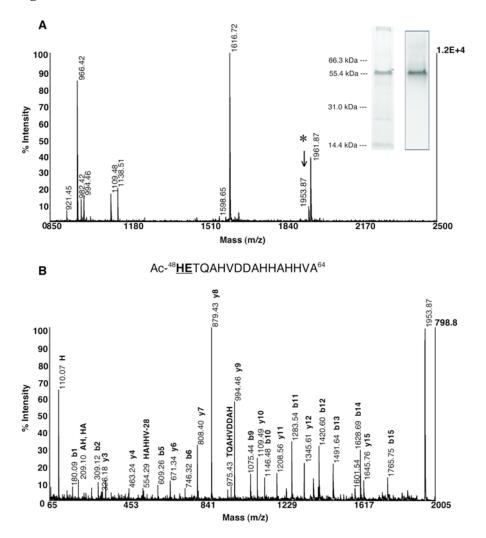


Table S1. Peptide fragments were obtained from an Asp-N solution digest of *Pf*HRPII purified from saponin supernatant and analyzed by MALDI-TOF MS. The m/z and corresponding amino acid sequence in the full-length sequence is according to GenBank accession no. <u>AAC47453</u>.

Amino acid sequence represented
65-100, 191-199, 266-274
56-64
275-285
218-229, 248-259
179-190, 206-265
185-199, 260-274
134-148, 164-178
206-265
65-100
56-73
48-64
266-285
179-199, 254-274
206-259

amino acids in PfHRPII = 309
amino acids after PEXEL processing = 262
amino acids covered = 184
sequence coverage = 184/262 = 70%

Table S2. Peptide fragments were obtained from an Asp-N in-gel digest of *Pf*HRPIImyc enriched from saponin supernatant and analyzed by MALDI-TOF MS. The m/z and corresponding amino acid sequence in the full-length sequence is according to GenBank accession no. <u>AAC47453</u> and a C-terminal c-Myc tag.

<u>m/z.</u>	Amino acid sequence represented
966.42	65-100, 191-199, 266-274
982.42	119-127, 149-157
994.46	56-64
1109.48	55-64
1138.51	275-285
1253.54	179-190, 206-265
1598.65	185-199, 260-274
1616.72	134-148, 164-178
1953.87	48-64
1961.87	101-118

amino acids in PfHRPIImyc = 319
amino acids after PEXEL processing = 272
amino acids covered = 220
sequence coverage = 220/272 = 81%

Table S3. Peptide fragments were obtained from an Asp-N in-gel digest of *Pf*HRPIImyc enriched from the ER of BFA-treated ring parasites and analyzed by MALDI-TOF MS. The m/z and corresponding amino acid sequence in the full-length sequence is according to GenBank accession no. <u>AAC47453</u> and a C-terminal c-Myc tag.

<u>m/z.</u>	Amino acid sequence represented
863.40	48-54
966.42	65-100, 191-199, 266-274
1109.48	55-64
1138.51	275-285
1223.53	218-229, 248-259
1253.54	179-190, 206-265
1584.68	119-133, 149-163
1598.69	185-199, 260-274
1616.72	134-148, 164-178
1770.78	275-291
1855.79	206-265
1913.84	65-100
1953.87	48-64
1961.87	101-118
2200.95	179-199, 254-274

amino acids in PfHRPIImyc = 319
amino acids after PEXEL processing = 272
amino acids covered = 238
sequence coverage = 238/272 = 88%

Table S4. Peptide fragments were obtained from an Asp-N in-gel digest of KAHRP(1-60)-GFP enriched from saponin supernatant and analyzed by MALDI-TOF MS. The m/z and corresponding amino acid sequence is according to Wickham *et al.* [12]. The amino acid numbering starts from the N-terminus after PEXEL processing.

<u>m/z</u>	Amino acid sequence represented
1172.53	185-194
1370.80	122-133
1463.71	202-214
1518.68	26-40
1728.81	107-121
1890.03	122-137
*1941.95	221-238
2155.10	195-214
^2182.23	160-177
2203.07	202-220
*2440.20	87-106
2565.21	138-159
2580.43	1-23
^2851.55	160-184

amino acids in processed KAHRP(1-60)-GFP = 243
amino acids covered = 184
sequence coverage = 184/243 = 76%

*The peptides have corresponding peptides with oxidized Met (+16.00) at 1957.95 and 2456.20, respectively.

^NG turns into DG during the ionization process to add 1.01 amu.