Supporting Information for:

Hydrazide-Reactive Peptide Tags for Site-Specific Protein Labeling

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Labels used here in the supplemental are identical to those used in the main text.

Additional Experimental procedures

All reagents were purchased from Sigma Aldrich (Milwaukee, WI), and used without further purification. M13 phage display libraries were re-propagated using KO7 helper phage from New England Biolabs (Ipswich, MA). Boc-hydrazide Tentagel and nitrotetrazolium blue (NBT; a substrate for AP) were purchased from Acros Organics (Geel, Belgium). AMCA hydrazide, streptavidin conjugated to alkaline phosphatase, high-sensitivity streptavidin conjugated to horseradish peroxidase, and chloronapthol and diaminobenzidine (CN/DAB) (AP substrate) were purchased from Pierce (Piscataway, NJ). The gene for T4 lysozyme (mutant C54T and C97A) was a gift from Prof. Bryan Matthews (University Oregon). DNA sequencing was performed by GeneWiz (South Plainfield, NJ).

Primers used in this study:

LysPetR2 5'-ATAGCCCTCGAGCTATTACGGTAGATTTTTATACGCGTC-3' LysPetF 5'-GAGGATCCGGAGATGAATATATTTGAAATGTTACGT-3' LibPetF 5'-GGCTATCCATGGTTGCTACAAATGCCTATGCA-3' LibPetR 5'-CAAATATATTCATTCCTCCGGATCCTCCACC-3' M13F 5'-TGTAAAACGACGGCCAGT-3' M13R 5'-CAGGAAACAGCTATGAC-3' T7F 5'-TGTAAAACGACGGCCAGTTAATACGACTCACTATAGGG-3' T7R 5'-CAGGAAACAGCTATGACGCTAGTTATTGCTCAGCGG-3' Homolog**53** 5'-GCTACAAATGCCTATGCAMRSMRSASCMASMRSASCTSCMRSMRSMRSGASMAS-GASMRSTSCMRSGYGASCASCASCGGTGGAGGATCCGGA-3'

Degenerate bases in Homolog53 are named in accordance with IUBMB conventions.

Construction of the homolog shotgun scanning library

The homolog shotgun scanning library of HyRe tag 53 was generated using Homolog**53** oligonucleotide targeting the pM1165a phagemid¹ for site-directed mutagenesis using previously reported protocols.²

Selections with homolog shotgun scanning library

The phage-displayed peptide library was incubated with Boc-hydrazide Tentagel (50 mg in 10 mL PBS) for 1 h at room temperature in a peptide reaction vessel. The filtrate was transferred to a new vessel, and incubated with hydrazide Tentagel for 20 to 60 min with decreasing concentrations of deprotected resin for each round of selection. The resin was washed six times with PBS (50 mL for 6 min). Additional washes included pH = 5.6 PBS (50 mL for 20 min) and HCl (0.1 M, 50 mL for 10 min). The phage-resin mixture was then pH-buffered with a final PBS wash (50 mL, 10 min), and were re-propagated and titered, as previously described.²

HyRe peptide fusions to T4 lysozyme

PCR with primers LibPetR and LibPetF amplified the genes encoding the peptides from the selected phage and incorporated an NcoI site at the 5'-terminus of the amplicon. The gene for T4 lysozyme with mutations C54A and C97T was amplified using primers LysPetF1 and LysPetR2, which incorporates a stop codon and an XhoI site at the 3'-terminus of the amplicon. The primers LibPetR and LysPetF both include complementary regions for gene synthesis by overlap extension PCR. The pET-28c(+) plasmid (Novagen) and the purified gene synthesis product were digested with the restriction enzymes NcoI and XhoI (New England Biolabs). The digested products were mixed and ligated using T4 DNA ligase (New England Biolabs) by incubation in ATP-supplemented buffer at 16 °C for 16 hours. The crude ligation product was transformed into

heat shock competent XL-1 *E. coli* cells, and plated onto Luria Broth (LB) agar plates supplemented with kanamycin (40 μ g/mL) for overnight incubation at 37 °C. The DNA sequences of the resultant colonies were confirmed using T7 primers.

Synthesis of Rhodamine B hydrazide

Rhodamine B hydrazide was synthesized by adding tert-Butyl carbazat to NHS rhodamine B (Pierce), deprotecting with 50:50 TFA:DCM, and purifying by reverse phase HPLC.

Synthesis of HyRe peptides

The peptides **114** and **104** were synthesized on 0.2 mmol scale using standard solid-phase peptide synthesis with Fmoc-protected amino acids (Aroz technologies) on Rink amide resin (Novabiochem). The synthesized peptides with a carboxamide C-terminus were deprotected and cleaved from the resin using a mixture of 9.5 mL trifluoroacetic acid, 0.25 mL triisopropylsilane, and 0.25 mL of H₂O at room temperature for 4 h under N₂. The cleavage mixture was filtered from the resin, and precipitated in ice-cold diethyl ether for 20 min. The precipitate was next centrifuged at 3 krpm for 20 min at 4 °C, before being re-suspended in deionized H₂O. The peptides were purified by reverse-phase HPLC with a C₁₈ column using a gradient from 100% solvent A (99.9% H₂O / 0.1%TFA) to 50% solvent B (95% acetonitrile / 4.9%H₂O / 0.1%TFA) over 40 min. Fractions containing the purified peptides were combined and concentrated using rotary evaporation, followed by vacuum centrifugation. Purified peptides were subjected to analytical HPLC and MALDI-TOF to verify purity (>80%), and confirm identity, respectively (**Supporting Figs. 7-8**).

MALDI-TOF sample preparation and analysis

After the peptides (1 mM) were treated with Aminomethylcoumarin acetate hydrazide (AMCAhydrazide) (1 mM) in PBS for 2.5 h, the reaction mixtures were applied to a C_{18} Ziptip (Varian), washed with 0.1% TFA in deionized water, and eluted with a saturated solution of α -Cyano-4hydroxycinnamic acid (CHCA) in 25% aqueous acetonitrile containing 0.1 % TFA. The eluates were deposited on a stainless steel target. An ABI SciEx TOF/TOF 5800 (Applied Biosystems) system with a reflectron using standard configurations and parameters was used to obtain the MALDI-TOF mass spectra. The averaged spectra were exported to Excel for analysis.

Scaffold	1st Round	2nd Round	3rd Round	4th Round	5th Round
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CX5CX	1				
CX5XC2					
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X2CX2CX2	1				
X2CX2CX3		_			
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X2CX4CX2	-	1			
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X2CX5CX2			-		
X2CX6CX2					
X2CX7CX2					
X2CX8CX2	2]			
X2CX9CX2	1	1			
X4CX10CX4		-			
X4CX2GPX4CX4					
X5CX8CX5					
X5CX9CX4					
X6CX6CX6					
X6CX7CX5	4	9	4	8	8
X7CX4CX7	3	9	17	5	
X7CX5CX6					
X8		1			
SM	7				
Total Sequenced	19	20	21	13	8

Table S1. Peptide Scaffolds Selected for Interaction with Hydrazide Tentagel.*

*Phage-displayed peptide library scaffolds used for the selection of hydrazide binding peptides and the number of selectants from each scaffold for each round. The sequences from each round of selection are found in Table S2.

Table S2. Peptide Sequences from Phage Selection Rounds (Rd.) 1 through 5 and HomologShotgun Scanning Rounds 1 through 4.*

	Naï	ve Library Selectants			Hom	olog Shotgun Scanning	
Rd.	HyRe	aa sequence	sib	Rd	. HyRe	aa sequence	sib
	1	CEGSGACstop			59	RRSQQSCSRHEKERSSVSSS	1
	2	HKREHNCDTPPPTPCFKANR			60	RRTKKSCRKKNQERCRASTS	1
	3	RPTKNNCDHTTHCTCHQQNQ			61	NKTKSSCQKSEQESYRVSTT	1
1	4	GTHDTNCHPPAHSKCRDSDY	4	2	62	HQSKNSCSKPDHDRCQVSTS	1
	5	PTPARKPCPKPPCPPTPKEQ	4		63	SSSHRSSSQHEHEHCRVTSS	4
1	6	KPNTNHCTNNNQHDCKKATH	4		64	KQSHSSYQHREQERCQVTST	4
1 *	7	VLCTWCSM	4		65	KHSQHSCRSQEQERSQVTTS	
1	8	TEPATPPCHHTTCKPRTGAD	4		61	NKTKSSCQKSEQESYRVSTT	2
1	9	QHKHHEHCKGPQCQKQHRKE	4		66	NKSHHSCNKREQERCSVTST	4
1	10	FICREHSPVAGStopCV	4		67	KKSQHSCHHREQERCQVTTT	4
1	11	GWCKIYLRSCHCMV	4		68	KSSQKSCHRQDQEQCRVTST	-
⊢	12	AICHSILISALCSV	-		70	KKSONSCNPPDHEHCSVTTS	-
1	12	TKNKDTHCCHHECTOPOHNS	-		70	KASQNSCNARDHENCSVIIS	-
1	14	APRHHOHCPTHACHAEAOEN	1		72	HRSHHTCSHOEOERCRVSSS	1
1	15	HDAPGKCKHPNHNHCOASHT	1		73	KSTHHSCNSREODBCSVTTT	1
1	16	HTDHSKCRRDHTNSCANTEO	1		74	HNTOOTCRKOEOEHCKVSSS	1
1	17	HKTNPEPCKNHCCTGOPDNK	1		75	KSTHHSCNSREODRCSVTTT	1
1	18	GKKNNOCPHRTPTSCLSNYO	1		76	SHTKKTCRHHEHERCHVTSS	1
1	19	MLCGTTWCMG	1		77	KHTHSSSRQKEOERCOVSSS	1
1	20	HPNPRQDCHTHQCRTPTQDK	1		61	NKTKSSCQKSEQESYRVSTT	1
2	21	GICWLLDNC]	4	78	HKSNHSSKNREHERCQVTST	3
1	22	KNSGKMCTTQDTSICSHKIR			79	NHTQRSCKHHEQESCRVSSS	
1	23	TYRHDHCNPSRPYRCNHSPR					
1	24	AKTHAHKCNTQTCQHERTHT					
1	25	HKTKNECSHHPTRPCTTAHD	2				
1	26	TATNTLCHKHTHPKCGENSS	4				
1	27	HONPRTNCKTANCATHAPTN	4				
1	28	TKPHDRDCHKQTCATHNHHR	4				
1	29	MATNSHQCATHACEHHATNR TCADEDECDANDCTETNDOE	4				
⊢	25	IGAPEPECPANKCIEINKQE	2				
1	25	HOKADHTCAKHECOKKPHTR	2				
1	32	KTNHEOOCHHNTCHEKGPSO	1				
1	33	KTHKPPNCPPEPCHOKAOPH	1				
1	34	HKNEPPHCOOHKCEOHAPRP	1				
1	35	KTPPPPACTKHECHRTGHTN	1				
1	36	TEKHRTHCHEEQCQKTTPPP	1				
1	37	SHKKRHKCRHHQCQTNETTT					
1	38	HKQKAQNCTHKECHQTKAHT					
3	39	HTPHRHECEHRHCEPKNRET					
	40	RPPKGEQCHHAHCRQTEKPP	4				
1	41	EKTKHHKCPTTHCHEKTSPR	4				
	42	TSKHQHCEQTTSTDCKTKNT	4				
1	43	RKNHHTKCPQDTCQQAPTKQ	4				
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	45	TYNUAGUCTTTQCPPTTKTH TYNUAGUCTTTQCPPTTKTH	1				
1	40	KOHSBOJCHOKHCOBHJDJK	1				
	41	HKGSPPCTTEHHKTCRMNPT	1				
1	40	HKNTPAKCPTTTCOTEKTAO	1				
	3	RPTKNNCDHTTHCTCHOONO	1				
	25	HKTKNECSHHPTRPCTTAHD	3				
1	50	HSDHHKCGKPREPTCQRTNS	Ţ				
1	51	GEHHKEHCKPRQCTTATPQA					
1	52	GAKDNKHCHHQECTHSKTRT					
4	53	HKTNHSCHKREQEHCRVTTT	2				
	54	KNARDHTCDNHHCHHHTAAA					
1	55	HKQETPHCTSHHCTQPKTPA	4				
1	56	HKTKTTQCTKHQCPTQKINP	4				
<u> </u>	57	KPP'IHNPCHHNSCSKKTTDP	4				
1	25	HKTKNECSHHPTRPCTTAHD	4				
5	50	INDIAKCGKPKEPTCQKTNS	-				
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*The column "sib" indicates the number of siblings or identical sequences identified in the same round.



Figure S1. Sequence analysis of selectants from the naïve (A and B) and homolog shotgun scanning (C) libraries (weblogo.berkeley.edu).



Figure S2. (A and B) The full SDS-PAGE and Western blot of the HyRe **53**-T4 lysozyme fusion excerpted in Figure 3. (C) MALDI-TOF of **53**-T4 lysozyme fusion incubated at room temperature for the indicated times. The MALDI-TOF results indicate that the HyRe tag is specifically cleaved from the fusion. These results also account for the partially proteolyzed fusion proteins after purification apparent in lanes 1 and 2 of the protein gel shown in (A).



Figure S3. Spot synthesis examining variants of peptides **53**, **61**, and **78**. A) After treatment with biotin hydrazide the sheet was developed by exposure to SAV-AP, followed by washing and then addition of AP substrates. B) The synthesized peptide sequences include all single, double, triple, and quadruple contiguous amino acid deletions of HyRe peptide **53** (A2-F12). Variants of HyRe tags **61** and **78** include single alanine substitutions (G3-H10; and I12-K6) and all contiguous 10-mers (H12-I10; and K8-L6). The 10-mers for both peptides **61** and **78** are analyzed and compared in Supporting Figure S4.

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Figure S4. Spot synthesis peptide sheet 2. A) Both before and after treatment with biotin hydrazide (indicated with a - or +), the sheet was developed by exposure to SAV-AP, followed by washing and then addition of AP substrates. B) The synthesized peptide sequences include contiguous 9, 8, 7, and 6-mers; single alanine substitutions, single, double and triple amino acid deletions of peptide 80 and 91. Peptide variants of 80 reveal background binding or no activity. Some of the 91 variants reveal specificity for binding to biotin hydrazide, especially the 8-mer 102 (F10). Additionally, the contiguous 10-mers of original selectants 25, 53, 49, 46 and 50 were also synthesized and screened (H13-M2). Scored through sequences were incorrectly synthesized.



Figure S5. Spot synthesis peptide sheet 3. A) Both before and after treatment with biotin hydrazide the sheet was developed by exposure to SAV-AP, followed by washing and then addition of AP substrates. B) The synthesized peptide sequences include full-length 20-mers from the original phage selections and were synthesized in duplicate (A1-B12). Each type of amino acid was substituted with alanine in HyRe peptides **53** and **46**, and synthesized in duplicate (C1-F12). The most interesting short peptides from spot synthesis peptide sheets 1 and 2 were re-synthesized in duplicate to determine background binding (G1-J12). Cysteine was substituted for alanine in the short 10-mers (I1-J12). The contiguous 10-mer variants from original selectants **51** and **52** were also tested (K1-L12).



Figure S6. Analysis of contiguous 10-mer peptides **61** and **78** derived from HyRe peptide **53**. As shown by spot synthesis, the N-terminus of both peptides contributes critical residues to the peptide reactivity with biotin hydrazide at pH 7.



Figure S7. Analytical HPLC and MALDI-TOF MS analysis of synthesized and purified HyRe peptide **114** variants. The chromatograms (top) were monitored at 210 nm. MALDI-TOF MS analysis of purified HyRe tag variants (middle). MALDI-TOF MS analysis of the two peptides treated with AMCA hydrazide, revealing the +215 amu products (bottom). "C:" and "O:" indicate the calculated and observed (*) molecular weights, respectively.



Figure S8. 12 unique hydrazides and hydrazine derivatives used to determine the generality of the reaction with peptide **114**. Only rhodamine B hydrazide and AMCA hydrazide produce the a covalent adduct upon reaction with the peptide at pH 7.

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