Supporting Information.

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Experimental Methods.

1.0 Materials and analyses.

Unless otherwise noted, chemicals were obtained from Sigma-Aldrich, Inc., peptides were obtained from AnaSpec, Inc., and cell culture reagents were purchased from Invitrogen, Inc. H2B-eDHFR was provided by Prof. V.W. Cornish, and pcDNA3-TagRFP-T was obtained from Prof. R.Y. Tsien. MDCK cells were provided by Prof. J.R. Turner, HeLa and NIH3T3 cells were provided by Prof. W. Cho, and HEK293 cells were obtained from the American Type Culture Collection.

Electrospray ionization (ESI) high-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained by the Mass Spectrometry Facility, College of Chemistry, University of California, Berkeley, CA. MALDI-TOF mass spectra were obtained by the Mass Spectrometry Facility, Dept. of Chemistry, University of Illinois at Urbana, Flash chromatography was performed using EM Science Silica Gel 60 (230- 400 mesh). NMR spectra were obtained using either Bruker AM-300 or DRX-500 spectrometers operating at 300 (75) MHz and 500 (125) MHz for 1H (or 13C) respectively. 1H (or 13C) chemical shifts are reported in parts per million (ppm) relative to the solvent resonances, taken as δ 7.26 (δ 77.0) and δ 2.49 (δ 39.5) for CDCl₃ and (CD₃)₂SO, respectively. For the Lumi4 intermediates (9, 10, 15, 16), the observed NMR spectra were very complicated due to the presence of differing conformers/isomers in solution, and are not reported.¹ Analytical HPLC was performed on an Agilent 1200 instrument (Agilent, Santa Clara, CA) equipped with a diode array detector ($\lambda = 254, 280, 315$ and 340 nm, 600 nm reference), a thermostat set at 25 °C, and a Zorbax Eclipse XDB-C18 column (4.6 x 150 mm, 5 µm, Agilent, Santa Clara, CA). The mobile phase of a binary gradient (2-40% B/20 min; solvent A, 0.1% TFA; solvent B, ACN) at a flow rate of 1 mL/min was used for analytical HPLC. UV absorption measurements were recorded on a Varian Cary 300 double beam spectrometer using quartz cells of 1 cm path length. Emission spectra of 1, 3, and 4 were measured using a HORIBA Jobin Yvon Fluorolog-3 spectrofluorometer equipped with an IBH TBX-04-D detector. Emission spectra of 2, 11, and 17 were measured using a HORIBA Jobin Yvon Fluoromax-3 spectrofluorometer.

2.0 Synthesis.

2.1 Preparation of Lumi4-L-Arg9 1, Lumi4-D-Arg9 2, and Lumi4-L-TAT[49-57] 3 (Chart S1).

A resin-bound nonapeptide with sequence H₂N-L-[Arg]₉-CONH₂ (after cleavage from support) was purchased from a commercial vendor (Anaspec, Inc., San Jose, CA). A portion of this resin (41.92 mg, 3.51 µmol) was placed in an O-ring microfuge tube, diethylether (1 mL) was added and allowed to stand for 5 minutes to swell the resin. The resin was centrifuged briefly, ether was decanted, and the resin was allowed to dry with a stream of nitrogen. The N-hydroxysuccinimide derivative of Lumi4[®] (Lumi4-NHS, 71%, 3.63 mg, 1.73 µmol) was dissolved in DMF (200 µL) and added to the resin. Diisopropylethylamine (3 µL, 17 µmol) was added, the suspension was blanketed with nitrogen, and shaken at 800 rpm overnight. The resin was centrifuged briefly, the supernatant was decanted using a pipette, and the resin was washed with DMF (6 x 1 mL) and MeOH (6 x 1 mL). The resin was allowed to dry using a stream of air, whereupon a solution of 5% triisopropylsilane in trifluoroacetic acid (600 µL) was added. The suspension was blanketed with nitrogen, and shaken at 800 rpm for 6 hours. The resin was centrifuged briefly, vortexed, then filtered using a medium fritted funnel. The resin was washed with additional 5% triisopropylsilane in trifluoroacetic acid (3 x 300 µL) and the combined filtrate and washes transferred to four microfuge tubes. Diethylether (1.2 mL per tube) was added, and the crude peptide allowed to stand overnight at 4 °C. The precipitate was centrifuged briefly, washed with ether (1.2 mL) and allowed to air dry. The crude peptide was dissolved in sterile water (150 μ L) and purified by HPLC using a reversed phase column and 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid and acetonitrile gradient. Fractions containing product were combined, lyophilized, and the purified peptide conjugate 1 was dissolved in sterile water. Lumi4 absorbance at 340 nm (ε_{340} = 26,000, pH 7.4) was used to quantify the product (280 nmol, 16.2%). FTMS pEI: calc. for C₁₁₅H₁₉₃N₅₀O₂₃ [M+5H]⁵⁺, 528.5088, found, 528.5102. MALDI-TOF MS: calc. for C₁₁₅H₁₈₉N₅₀O₂₃ [M+H]⁺, 2638.51, found, 2638.60. The preceding protocol was repeated using a resin-bound nonapeptide of identical sequence except for the configuration of the arginine residues, H_2N -D-[Arg]₉-CONH₂ to prepare compound **2**. MALDI-TOF MS: calc. for $C_{115}H_{189}N_{50}O_{23}$ [M+H]⁺, 2638.51, found, 2638.52. The preceding protocol was repeated using a resin-bound nonapeptide of sequence H_2N -L-ArgLysLysArgArgGln[Arg]₃-CONH₂ to prepare compound **3** (294 nmol, 32.5%). FTMS pEI: calc. for $C_{114}H_{187}N_{44}O_{24}$ [M+3H]³⁺, 852.1583, found, 852.1614. MALDI-TOF MS: calc. for $C_{114}H_{186}N_{44}O_{24}$ [M+H]⁺, 2554.46, found, 2554.47.



Chart S1. Structures of Conjugates 1-3.

2.2 Preparation of Lumi4-glutamic amide of TEGTMP, Arg₉ derivative 4.

N-FMOC-glutamic amide of TEGTMP, δ-tert-butyl ester 7 (Scheme S1). TEGBocTMP 5 was prepared as described previously.² TEGBocTMP (74 mg, 122 umol) was treated with trifluoroacetic acid: dichloromethane (1:1, 4 mL) for 6 hr. Solvents were removed in vacuo, and the residue was dissolved in THF (1 mL) and TEA (200 µL). After stirring for 5 minutes, solvents were removed in vacuo, and the residue dissolved in dimethylformamide (400 µL) and diisopropylethylamine (25 uL, 144 µmol). In a separate flask, Nhydroxysuccinimide (18.09 mg, 157 μmol) and N-FMOC-glutamic acid δ-tert-butyl ester 6 (62.47 mg, 146.8 μmol, Anaspec, Inc.) were dried together in vacuo. Dimethylformamide (600 μL) and diisopropylcarbodiimide (30 µL, 194 µmol) were added, and the resulting solution was allowed to stir under nitrogen for 3 hr, whereupon the solution was transferred via syringe to the dimethylformamide solution prepared above from TEGBocTMP. After 20 hr, the solution was diluted with dichloromethane (10 mL) and washed with deionized water (3 x 10 mL). Solvents were removed under reduced pressure, and the residue purified by silica gel chromatography using 5 - 7.5% methanol in dichloromethane as eluent. Fractions containing product were combined, solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue dried in vacuo to provide N-FMOCglutamic amide of TEGTMP, δ -tert-butyl ester 7 (77 mg, 69.1%). 1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.75 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.73 (s, 2H, ArH), 7.56 (d, 2H, ArH), 7.38 (t, 2H, ArH), 7.28 (t, 2H, ArH), 6.34 (s, 2H, ArH), 4.92 (s, 2H, NH₂), 4.77 (s, 2H, NH₂), 4.36 (m, 2H, CH₂O), 4.18 (m, 1H, ArCH), 3.91 (t, 2H, ArOCH₂), 3.74 (s, 6H, ArOCH₃), 3.60-3.42 (m, 14H, ArCH₂Ar + CH₂O), 2.40-2.20 (m, 4H, CH₂CONH, CH₂CO₂), 2.20-2.00 (m, 1H, CHCONH), 1.80-1.70 (m, 6H, CHCH₂, CH₂CH₂), 1.42 (s, 9H, O(CH₃)₃). 13C NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta =$ 173.3, 172.6, 171.5, 162.7, 162.1, 156.5, 153.7, 143.7, 141.2, 135.8, 133.8, 127.7, 127.0, 125.0, 119.9, 106.3, 105.0, 80.9, 72.8, 70.2, 70.1, 69.9, 69.5, 67.0, 56.1, 54.4, 47.1, 39.2, 39.1, 36.1, 34.6, 31.6, 29.6, 29.2, 28.0, 22.4. FTMS pEI: calculated for $C_{48}H_{64}N_7O_{11}$ [MH]⁺, 914.4658, found, 914.4630.







Scheme S2. Preparation of N-Lumi4-glutamic amide of TEGTMP, Arg9 derivative 4

Glutamic amide of TEGTMP, δ -tert-butyl ester **8** (Scheme S1). N-FMOC-glutamic amide of TEGTMP, δ -tert-butyl ester **7** (77 mg, 84 µmol) was dissolved in dichloromethane (4.5 mL). Piperidine (0.5 mL) was added, and the resulting solution was stirred at ambient temperature for 4.5 hr. Solvents were removed under reduced

pressure, and the residue dried in vacuo. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography using 10 - 20% methanol in dichloromethane as eluent. Fractions containing product were combined, solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue dried in vacuo to provide the glutamic amide of TEGTMP, δ -tert-butyl ester **8** (50 mg, 86%). 1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.67$ (s, 1H, ArH), 7.59 (t, 1H, NH), 6.59 (t, 1H, NH), 6.35 (s, 2H, ArH), 5.21 (s, 2H, NH₂), 5.04 (s, 2H, NH₂), 3.92 (t, 2H, ArOCH₂), 3.76 (s, 6H, ArOCH₃), 3.61-3.39 (m, 14H, ArCH₂Ar + CH₂O), 2.35-2.25 (m, 4H, CH₂CONH, CH₂CO₂), 2.10-2.01 (m, 1H, CHCONH), 1.81-1.72 (m, 6H, CHCH₂, CH₂CH₂), 1.41 (s, 9H, O(CH₃)₃). 13C NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 175.0$, 173.7, 173.1, 163.1, 162.0, 155.7, 154.0, 136.1, 134.0, 106.7, 105.4, 80.9, 73.2, 70.4, 70.3, 70.1, 56.4, 54.9, 50.6, 39.4, 39.1, 36.4, 34.8, 32.2, 30.6, 29.6, 28.3, 22.7. FTMS pEI: calculated for C₃₃H₅₄N₇O₉ [MH]⁺, 692.3978, found, 692.3966.

N-Lumi4-glutamic amide of TEGTMP, δ -tert-butyl ester **9** (Scheme S2). The glutamic amide of TEGTMP, δ -tert-butyl ester **8** (15 mg, 22 µmol) was dissolved in dimethylformamide (1 mL) and diisopropylethylamine (15 µL, 86 µmol). The resulting solution was added to the NHS ester of Lumi4 (15 mg, 8.22 µmol). The resulting solution was stirred at ambient temperature for 5 hrs, whereupon solvents were removed in vacuo. The residue was dissolved in methanol (500 µL), the solution transferred to 2 tared, O-ring capped microcentrifuge tubes, and ether was added (1 mL per tube). After allowing sufficient time for mixing, the tubes were centrifuged for 2 minutes at 12,000 rpm, and the supernatent was decanted. This process was repeated five times. The residue was air dried, then dissolved in methanol (300 µL), isopropyl alcohol (900 µL) was added, the tubes were centrifuged, the supernatant decanted, and the residue was dried in vacuo to provide compound **9** (8.16 mg, 52%). FTMS pEI: calculated for C₉₄H₁₃₂N₂₀O₂₃ [M+2H]²⁺, 954.4882, found, 954.4903.

N-Lumi4-glutamic amide of TEGTMP **10** (Scheme S2). N-Lumi4-glutamic amide of TEGTMP, δ -tert-butyl ester **9** (6.2 mg, 3.2 µmol) was treated with 5% solution of triisopropylsilane in trifluoroacetic acid (200 µL) in an O-ring microcentrifuge tube. The tube was shaken at 800 rpm for 1 hr, ether (1 mL) was added, and after allowing sufficient time for mixing, the tube was centrifuged at 12,000 rpm for 2 minutes. The supernatant was decanted, the pellet was washed with ether (1 mL), and allowed to air dry. The residue was dissolved in methanol (200 µL), ether (1 mL) was added, and, after allowing sufficient time for mixing, the tube was centrifuged at 12,000 rpm for 2 minutes. The supernatant was decanted, the pellet was washed with ether (1 mL), and allowed to air dry. The residue was dissolved in methanol (200 µL), triethylamine (10 µL) was added, and the solution was vortexed briefly. Ether was added, and, after allowing sufficient time for mixing, the tube was entrifuged at 12,000 rpm for 2 minutes. The supernatant was decanted, the pellet was washed with ether (1 mL), and allowed to air dry. The residue was dissolved in methanol (200 µL), triethylamine (10 µL) was added, and the solution was vortexed briefly. Ether was added, and, after allowing sufficient time for mixing, the tube was centrifuged at 12,000 rpm for 2 minutes. The supernatant was decanted, the pellet was washed with ether (1 mL), and allowed to air dry. The residue was disolved in methanol (200 µL), triethylamine (10 µL) was added, and the solution was vortexed briefly. Ether was added, and, after allowing sufficient time for mixing, the tube was centrifuged at 12,000 rpm for 2 minutes. The supernatant was decanted, the pellet was washed with ether (1 mL), and allowed to air dry. The residue was dried in vacuo to provide compound **10** (3.67 mg, 61%). FTMS pEI: calculated for C₉₀H₁₂₃N₂₀O₂₃ [MH]⁺, 1851.9064, found, 1851.9075.

N-Lumi4-glutamic amide of TEGTMP, Arg₉ derivative 4 (Scheme S2). The resin-bound nonapeptide with sequence H₂N-L-[Arg]₉-CONH₂ described above (48.3 mg, 4.05 umol) was placed in an O-ring microfuge tube, diethylether (1 mL) was added and the suspension was shaken for 1.5 hr at 800 rpm to swell the resin. The resin was centrifuged briefly, ether was decanted, and dry dimethylformamide (1 mL) was added. The resin was shaken for 5 minutes, centrifuged, and the supernatant decanted. The N-Lumi4-glutamic amide of TEGTMP 10 (779 nmol) and benzotriazol-1-yl-oxytripyrrolidinophosphonium hexafluorophosphate (PyBOP, 1.55 mg, 2.98 μmol) were dissolved in DMF (100 μL) and added to the resin. Diisopropylethylamine (2 μL, 11 μmol) was added, the suspension was blanketed with nitrogen, and shaken at 800 rpm overnight. The resin was centrifuged briefly, the supernatant was decanted using a pipette, and the resin was washed with DMF (5 x 1 mL), MeOH (5 x 1 mL), and ether (1 mL). The resin was allowed to air dry, whereupon a solution of 5% triisopropylsilane in trifluoroacetic acid (600 µL) was added. The suspension was blanketed with nitrogen, and shaken at 800 rpm for 8 hours. The resin was centrifuged briefly, vortexed, then filtered using a coarse fritted funnel. The resin was washed with additional 5% triisopropylsilane in trifluoroacetic acid (3 x 300 µL) and the combined filtrate and washes transferred to four microfuge tubes. Diethylether (1.2 mL per tube) was added, and the crude peptide allowed to stand overnight at 4 °C. The precipitate was centrifuged briefly, washed with ether (1.2 mL) and allowed to air dry. The crude peptide was dissolved in sterile water (200 µL) and purified

by HPLC using a reversed phase column and 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid and acetonitrile gradient. Fractions containing product were combined, lyophilized, and the purified peptide conjugate was dissolved in sterile water. Lumi4 absorbance at 340 nm ($\epsilon_{340} = 26,000$, pH 7.4) was used to quantify the compound (176 nmol, 23%). FTMS pEI: calc. for C₁₄₄H₂₃₆N₅₇O₃₁ [M+5H]⁵⁺, 651.9723, found, 651.9755. MALDI-TOF MS: calc. for C₁₄₄H₂₃₂N₅₇O₃₁ [M+H]⁺, 3255.83, found, 3256.36.



Scheme S3. Preparation of cysteine-S-monomethoxytrityl ether, TEGTMP amide 14.

2.3 Preparation of N-Lumi4-cysteine amide of TEGTMP, CysArg₉ derivative 11.

N-FMOC-cysteine-S-monomethoxytrityl ether, TEGTMP amide 12 (Scheme S3). TEGBocTMP 5 (75 mg, 124 umol) was treated with trifluoroacetic acid: dichloromethane (1:1, 4 mL) for 6 hr. Solvents were removed in vacuo, and the residue was dissolved in THF (1 mL) and TEA (200 µL). After stirring for 5 minutes, solvents were removed in vacuo, and the residue dissolved in dimethylformamide (400 µL) and diisopropylethylamine (30 uL, 172 µmol). In a separate flask, N-hydroxysuccinimide (17.1 mg, 149 µmol) and N-FMOC-cysteine Smonomethoxytrityl ether 13 (62.47 mg, 146.8 µmol, Anaspec, Inc.) were dried together in vacuo. Dimethylformamide (600 µL) and diisopropylcarbodiimide (30 µL, 194 µmol) were added, and the resulting solution was allowed to stir under nitrogen for 6 hr. whereupon the solution was transferred via syringe to the dimethylformamide solution prepared above from TEGBocTMP. After 22 hr, the solution was diluted with dichloromethane (10 mL) and washed with deionized water (3 x 10 mL). Solvents were removed under reduced pressure, and the residue purified by silica gel chromatography using 5 - 7.5% methanol in dichloromethane as eluent. Fractions containing product were combined, solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue dried in vacuo to provide N-FMOC-cysteine-S-monomethoxytrityl ether, TEGTMP amide 12 (31 mg, 23%). 1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.76-7.17$ (m, 21H, ArH), 6.79 (d, 2H, ArH), 6.35 (s, 2H, ArH), 4.98 (s, 2H, NH₂), 4.83 (s, 2H, NH₂), 4.34 (m, 2H, CH₂O), 4.17 (m, 1H, ArCH), 3.93 (t, 2H, ArOCH₂), 3.78 (s, 3H, ArOCH₃), 3.75 (s, 6H, ArOCH₃), 3.60-3.44 (m, 14H, ArCH₂Ar + CH₂O), 2.67-2.57 (m, 3H, CHCONH, CH₂S), 2.25 (t, 2H, CH₂CONH), 1.81-1.59 (m, 4H, CH₂CH₂). 13C NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 173.3, 170.4, 162.7, 161.9, 158.1, 156.1, 153.6, 144.6, 143.6, 141.2, 136.3, 135.8, 133.7, 130.7, 129.4, 128.0, 127.7, 127.0, 126.8, 125.0, 119.9, 113.2, 106.3, 105.0, 72.8, 70.1, 70.0, 69.9, 69.4, 67.0, 66.7, 56.0, 55.2, 50.6, 47.0, 39.3, 39.0, 36.0, 34.6, 29.2, 22.4. FTMS pEI: calculated for $C_{62}H_{70}N_7O_{10}S$ [MH]⁺, 1104.4899, found, 1104.4910.

Cysteine-S-monomethoxytrityl ether, TEGTMP amide 14 (Scheme. S3). N-FMOC-cysteine-Smonomethoxytrityl ether, TEGTMP amide 12 (31 mg, 28 umol) was dissolved in tetrahydrofuran (1 mL). Piperidine (0.25 mL) was added, and the resulting solution was stirred at ambient temperature for 4 hr. Solvents were removed under reduced pressure, and the residue dried in vacuo. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography using 10 - 20% methanol in dichloromethane as eluent. Fractions containing product were combined, solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue dried in vacuo to provide compound 14 (50 mg, 86%). 1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.72$ (s,1H, ArH), 7.42-7.17 (m, 12H, ArH), 6.79 (d, 2H, ArH), 6.35 (s, 2H, ArH), 4.95 (s, 2H, NH₂), 4.78 (s, 2H, NH₂), 3.93 (t, 2H, ArOCH₂), 3.77 (s, 3H, ArOCH₃), 3.76 (s, 6H, ArOCH₃), 3.62-3.33 (m, 14H, ArCH₂Ar + CH₂O), 2.67-2.57 (m, 1H, CHCONH), 2.71-2.52 (m, 2H, CH₂S), 2.26 (t, 2H, CH₂CONH), 2.07 (s, 2H, NH₂), 1.81-1.75 (m, 4H, CH₂CH₂). 13C NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 173.2$, 162.8, 158.1, 155.6, 153.7, 144.8, 136.6, 135.8, 133.6, 130.7, 129.4, 127.9, 126.7, 113.2, 105.0, 72.8, 70.1, 70.0, 69.7, 66.4, 56.1, 55.2, 54.0, 39.1, 38.8, 37.4, 36.1, 34.6, 29.3, 22.4. FTMS pEI: calculated for C₄₇H₆₀N₇O₈S [MH]⁺, 882.4219, found, 882.4192.

N-Lumi4-cysteine-S-monomethoxytrityl ether, TEGTMP amide 15 (Scheme Cysteine-S-S4). monomethoxytrityl ether, TEGTMP amide 14 (18 mg, 20 umol) was dissolved in dimethylformamide (1 mL) and diisopropylethylamine (15 µL, 86 µmol), then added to the NHS ester of Lumi4 (15 mg, 8.22 µmol). The resulting solution was stirred at ambient temperature for 27 hrs, whereupon solvents were removed in vacuo. The residue was dissolved in methanol (600 µL), the solution transferred to 2 tared, O-ring capped microcentrifuge tubes, and ether was added (0.75 mL per tube). After allowing sufficient time for mixing, the tubes were centrifuged for 2 minutes at 12,000 rpm, and the supernatent was decanted. This process was repeated. The residue was dissolved in dimethylformamide (75 µL/tube), ether was added (400 µL/tube). After allowing sufficient time for mixing, the tubes were centrifuged for 2 minutes at 12,000 rpm, and the supernatent was decanted. The residue was dissolved in methanol (250 µL/tube), ether was added (750 µL/tube). After allowing sufficient time for mixing, the tubes were centrifuged for 2 minutes at 12,000 rpm, and the supernatent was decanted. The residue was dissolved in methanol (250 µL/tube), isopropyl alcohol was added (750 µL/tube). After allowing sufficient time for mixing, the tubes were centrifuged for 2 minutes at 12,000 rpm, and the supernatent was decanted. The residue was air dried, then dissolved in methanol (300 µL), ether (900

 μ L) was added, the tubes were centrifuged, the supernatant decanted, and the residue was dried in vacuo to provide compound **15** (14.42 mg, 84%). FTMS pEI: calculated for C₁₀₈H₁₃₈N₂₀O₂₂S [M+2H]²⁺, 1049.5002, found, 1049.5035.



Scheme S4. Preparation of N-Lumi4-cysteine amide of TEGTMP, CysArg9 derivative 11.

N-Lumi4-cysteine, TEGTMP amide **16** (Scheme S4). A solution of 5% triisopropylsilane in trifluoroacetic acid (150 μ L) was added to N-Lumi4-cysteine-S-monomethoxytrityl ether, TEGTMP amide **15** (3.1 mg, 1.5 μ mol). The resulting solution was blanketed with nitrogen, and shaken at 600 rpm for 1 hour, whereupon ethyl ether

(0.9 mL) was added. The suspension resulting upon mixing was stored briefly at 4 °C, and centrifuged at 12,000 rpm for 2 minutes. The supernatant was removed and the solids were washed with ethyl ether (1.2 mL). The suspension was centrifuged and supernatant was removed. The resulting solids were air dried briefly then dried in vacuo to provide the trifluoroacetate salt of compound **16** (3.6 mg, 100%). Compound **16** was stored under nitrogen. FTMS pEI: calculated for $C_{88}H_{122}N_{20}O_{21}S[M+2H]^{2+}$, 913.4402, found, 913.4442.

N-Lumi4-cysteine amide of TEGTMP, CysArg₉ derivative **11** (Scheme S4). The peptide with sequence H₂N-L-Cys(NPys)-[Arg]₉-CONH₂, (0.5 mg, 298 nmol,) was dissolved in a solution of 10% acetic acid in sterile water (75 μ L) and degassed with nitrogen. A solution of N-Lumi4-cysteine, TEGTMP amide **16** (0.57 mg, 250 nmol) in dimethylformamide (10 uL), degassed with nitrogen, was added and the resulting solution was mixed at 400 rpm. The progress of the reaction was monitored using reversed phase HPLC. After 21 hours, the crude peptide was purified by HPLC using a reversed phase column and 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid and acetonitrile gradient. Fractions containing product were combined, lyophilized, and the purified peptide conjugate was dissolved in sterile water. Lumi4 absorbance at 340 nm ($\epsilon_{340} = 26,000$, pH 7.4) was used to quantify the compound (83 nmol, 33%). FTMS pEI: calc. for C₁₄₅H₂₃₉N₅₈O₃₁S₂ [M+5H]⁵⁺, 670.5670, found, 670.5667. MALDI-TOF MS: calc. for C₁₄₅H₂₃₅N₅₈O₃₁S₂ [M+H]⁺, 3348.80, found, 3348.78.



2.4 N-Lumi4-cysteine amide of TEGTMP, Cys-TAT(47-57)-LysFAM derivative 17 (Chart S2).

The peptide with sequence H₂N-L-Cys(NPys)-Tyr-Gly-Arg-Lys-Lys-Arg-Arg-Gln-Arg-Arg-Arg-Arg-Lys(FAM)-CONH₂, (0.5 mg, 217 nmol,) was dissolved in a solution of 10% acetic acid in sterile water (100 μ L) and degassed with nitrogen. A solution of N-Lumi4-cysteine, TEGTMP amide **16** (0.57 mg, 250 nmol) in dimethylformamide (10 uL), degassed with nitrogen, was added and the resulting solution was mixed at 400 rpm. The progress of the reaction was monitored using reversed phase HPLC. After 3 days, the crude peptide was purified by HPLC using a reversed phase column and 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid and acetonitrile gradient. Fractions containing product were combined, lyophilized, and the purified peptide conjugate was dissolved in sterile water. Lumi4 absorbance at 340 nm ($\epsilon_{340} = 26,000$, pH 7.4) was used to quantify the compound (35 nmol, 16%). FTMS pEI: calc. for C₁₈₂H₂₆₉N₅₆O₄₂S₂ [M+5H]⁵⁺, 795.0015, found, 795.0013. MALDI-TOF MS: calc. for C₁₈₂H₂₆₅N₅₆O₄₂S₂ [M+H]⁺, 3970.97, found, 3971.16.

2.5 Metallation with terbium and conjugate luminescence characterization.

Lyophilized conjugates were dissolved in sterile water (conc. = 1 mM) in 1.5 mL microfuge tubes. TbCl₃ (~1.2 equiv.) in water was added, and the samples were vortexed ~5 min. and allowed to rest at RT for ~30 min. The fluorescence excitation spectrum (1) and emission spectra (1, 2, 3, 4 and 11) were essentially the same as the spectra for the parent Lumi4-Tb complex (Fig. S1).¹ Conjugate 17 exhibited an expected mix of Tb³⁺ and fluorescein emission (Fig. S1). All samples exhibited bright green luminescence following dissolution in water and addition of terbium when exposed to light from a hand-held UV lamp.

3.0 Plasmids.

The gene encoding TagRFP-T was subcloned from plasmid TagRFP-T pcDNA3³ to pRSETb-EGFP-eDHFR² to generate pRSETb-TagRFPT-eDHFR. A *BamHI* to *Acc651* fragment encoding TagRFP-T was prepared by PCR from TagRFP-T pcDNA3 using the primers 5'-GCA TAC GTC GGA TCC GAT GGT GTC TAA GGG CGA - 3' (*BamHI*, coding strand) and 5'-GCA TAC GTC GGT ACC CCT TGT ACA GCT CGT CCA T-3' (*Acc651*, non-coding strand). This fragment was inserted between the *BamHI* site and the *BsrGI* site in pRSETb-GFP-eDHFR to give to pRSETb-TagRFPT-eDHFR. The gene encoding TagRFPT-eDHFR was subcloned from plasmid pRSETb-TagRFPT-eDHFR to H₂B-eDHFR⁴ to generate H₂B-TagRFPT-eDHFR. A *BamHI* to *NotI* fragment encoding TagRFPT-eDHFR was prepared by PCR from pRSETb-TagRFPT-eDHFR using the primers 5'- T CGT GAT CTG GAT CCC GCT TCT GCT TCG TCT TCG ATG GTG TCT AAG GGC -3' (*BamHI*, coding strand) and 5'- GCT TTG TTA GCG GCC GCA CCA TGC TTA GAA TCC TTA-3' (*NotI*, non-coding strand). This fragment was inserted between the *BamHI* site and the *NotI* site in H₂B-eDHFR to give to H₂B-TagRFPT-eDHFR was prepared by PCR from pRSETb-TagRFPT-eDHFR using the primers 5'- T CGT GAT CTG GAT CCC GCT TCT GCT TCG TCT TCG ATG GTG TCT AAG GGC -3' (*BamHI*, coding strand) and 5'- GCT TTG TTA GCG GCC GCA CCA TGC TTA GAA TCC TTA-3' (*NotI*, non-coding strand). This fragment was inserted between the *BamHI* site and the *NotI* site in H₂B-eDHFR to give to H₂B-TagRFPT-eDHFR. Plasmid integrity was confirmed by direct sequencing.

4.0 Cell culture, transfection and labeling.

MDCK, NIH3T3, HEK293 and HeLa cells were cultured in DMEM (+) (Dulbecco's Modified Eagle Media supplemented with 10% FBS, 2 mM L-glutamine, 100 unit/mL penicillin and 100 µg/mL of streptomycin) at 37 °C and 5% CO₂. MDCK cells were seeded at 10⁵ cells per well into a 6-well plate. After ~18 h incubation at 37 °C and 5% CO₂, adherent cells (~80% confluent) were transfected with 2 µg of the pH2B-TagRFPT-eDHFR using Lipofectamine2000TM (Invitrogen) according to manufacturer's instructions. Approximately 6 h after transfection, cells were trypsinized and reseeded at 15,000 cells/well into 8-well chambered coverglasses (Nunc[™], 12-565-470) and incubated at 37 °C and 5% CO₂ overnight.

Cells growing in DMEM (+) in 8-well chambered coverglasses were washed 1X with PBS and re-immersed in culture medium (with or without FBS) at the desired temperature (37 °C or 4 °C) containing peptides at the desired concentration. Cells were then incubated at 37 °C and 5% CO₂ (on ice in ambient atmosphere for 4 °C studies), washed 2X in PBS and reimmersed in DMEM (+) supplemented with 1 mM Patent BlueTM dye to quench extracellular luminescence. Following incubation and washing, cells were maintained at 37 °C and 5% CO₂ until imaging.

5.0 Microscopy, image processing and analysis.

Imaging of adherent live cells was performed using a previously described, modified epifluorescence microscope (Zeiss Axiovert 200).⁵ All images were acquired using a EC Plan Neofluar, 63X, 1.25 N.A. objective (Carl Zeiss, Inc.) Filter cubes containing the appropriate excitation and emission filters and dichroics allowed for wavelength selection. Bright field and continuous wave fluorescence images were acquired using an Axiocam MRM CCD camera (Carl Zeiss, Inc.). For time-gated luminescence, pulsed excitation light from a UV LED ($\lambda_{em} = 365$ nm, illumination intensity = 0.6 W/cm² at the sample plane) was synchronized with the

intensifier component of an ICCD (Mega-10EX, Stanford Photonics, Inc.) such that a 10 μ s delay was inserted between the end of the LED pulse and the intensifier start-time. For each acquisition, the signal from multiple excitation/emission events was accumulated on the ICCD sensor and read out at the end of the camera frame. The source/camera timing parameters were the same for all of the time-gated images and data presented here: excitation pulse width = 1500 μ s, pulse period = 3000 μ s, delay time = 10 μ s, intensifier on-time = 1390 μ s. The sensitivity of time-gated imaging is dependent on the number of excitation/detection events integrated on the CCD during a single camera frame and on the intensifier gain voltage. Frame summing was used to increase the signal-to-noise ratio and to remove ion-feedback noise from the intensifier. Each frame summed effectively increases the bit depth of the resulting image in increments of 1024 (i.e., 1 frame yields bit depth equal to 1024, 2 frames, 2048, etc.). Table S1 lists the number of excitation/detection events, frame length, number of frames, total acquisition time and intensifier gain voltage used to acquire all time-gated images and data reported here.

ICCD images (tagged image file format, .TIF) were captured with Piper control software (v2.4.05, Stanford Photonics, Inc.) and Axiocam images (.ZVI) were captured with Zeiss AxioVision software (v4.6). All images were cropped and adjusted for contrast using NIH ImageJ (v1.34). Table S1 provides the image processing parameters applied to each time-gated image in the paper, including pixel dimensions, pixel (bit) depth and contrast level (minimum and maximum gray values).

For quantitative analysis of Tb³⁺-to-fluorescein LRET (Fig. 3c), two sets of time-gated images ($\lambda_{em} = 520$ nm and $\lambda_{em} = 540$ nm) were acquired for the same fields of view under identical exposure settings (Table S1). Cells were selected for analysis from fields of view where the continuous wave fluorescein signal was either completely diffuse or completely punctate (2 separate experiments and 4 fields of view for each condition). The threshold tool in NIH ImageJ was used to select regions of interest (ROI) in the time-gated images corresponding to the nuclei of luminescent cells. The emission signal intensity was calculated according to the equation: $S = (\mu_{signal}-\mu_{bckg})$, where, μ_{signal} is equal to the mean pixel gray value in an ROI corresponding to a luminescent nucleus, and μ_{bckg} is equal to the mean pixel gray value in a similarly sized ROI in a part of the image with no cells. The donor normalized LRET signal was defined as the ratio (S_{520}/S_{540}) of mean gray values from corresponding ROIs in each image pair. The mean and standard deviation of the LRET ratios for numerous cells representing each condition (diffuse and punctate) were then calculated.

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	λ_{em}	excitation	frame	frames	acquisition	intensifier	pixel	pixel	contrast
image or data	(nm)	events	length		time	gain	dimensions	depth	(min./max.)
			(ms)		(ms)	(V)			
1a, DMEM(+) 1 (5 μM)	530-550	220	667	4	2667	778	900X900	4096	348/2069
1a, DMEM(+) 2 (5 μM)	530-550	110	333	8	2667	778	900X900	8192	374/2504
1a, DMEM(+) 4 (5 μM)	530-550	110	333	4	1333	833	900X900	4096	120/700
1a, DMEM(+) 1 (20 μM)	530-550	44	133	16	2133	833	900X900	16384	709/15382
1a, DMEM(+) 2 (20 μM)	530-550	66	200	8	1600	889	900X900	8192	370/2944
1a, DMEM(+) 4 (60 μM)	530-550	22	67	8	533	833	900X900	8192	211/5822
1b, 1 (5 μM) + Arg9 (30 mM)	530-550	660	2000	4	8000	778	900X900	4096	240/2350
1b, 1 (20 μM)	530-550	22	67	4	267	778	900X900	4096	240/2350
2b, LRET	598-612	220	667	8	5333	889	900X900	8192	700/4500
2b, LRET + TMP	598-612	220	667	8	5333	889	900X900	8192	700/4500
3a, TGL (top)	530-550	660	2000	4	8000	833	900X900	4096	400/4076
3a, LRET (top)	510-530	660	2000	4	8000	833	900X900	4096	400/4076
3a, TGL (bottom)	530-550	660	2000	4	8000	833	900X900	4096	250/3500
3a, LRET (bottom)	510-530	660	2000	4	8000	833	900X900	4096	250/3500
3b	*	660	2000	4	8000	833	N/A	N/A	N/A
S2, top 1 (5 μM)	530-550	66	200	8	1600	833	900X900	8192	396/5708
S2, top 2 (10 μM)	530-550	22	67	4	267	889	900X900	4096	370/2944
S2, top 4 (10 μM)	530-550	110	333	8	2667	889	900X900	8192	233/7180
S2, bottom, 1 (10 μM)	530-550	22	67	4	267	833	900X900	4096	126/2770
S2, bottom, 2 (10 μM)	530-550	44	133	8	1067	889	900X900	8192	271/7211
S2, bottom, 4 (10 μM)	530-550	220	667	8	5333	889	900X900	8192	862/5417
S3	530-550	220	667	8	5333	833	900X900	8192	493/8184
S4, top	530-550	66	200	16	3200	778	900X900	16384	522/15097
S4, middle	530-550	66	200	8	1600	778	900X900	8192	281/5375
S4, bottom	530-550	66	200	4	800	833	900X900	4096	190/3098
S5, LRET	598-612	44	133	4	532	778	600X600	4096	200/2500
S5, TGL	530-550	44	133	4	532	778	600X600	4096	200/2500

Table S1. Detection and image processing parameters for all time-gated images and data presented in the paper.

* For quantitative analysis of donor-normalized LRET signals (presented in Fig. 3b), 2 images were acquired using the indicated source/camera parameters: acceptor emission (510-530 nm) and donor emission + acceptor emission (530-550 nm).



Figure S1. a, Excitation spectrum of **1** (black, dotted) and emission spectra (solid) of **1** (black), **2** (blue), **3** (red), **4** (green) and **11** (purple). Emission spectra are vertically offset (0.05 a.u.) and horizontally offset (10 nm) for clarity. **b**, Emission spectrum of **17** showing mix of Tb³⁺ and fluorescein emission.



Figure S2. Effects of serum and temperature on uptake and distribution. Micrographs: time-gated luminescence (delay = 10 μ s, λ_{ex} = 365 nm, λ_{em} = 540 ± 10 nm) Scale bars, 10 μ m. MDCK cells were incubated for 30 min. at 37 °C (top) or 4 °C (bottom) in Dulbecco's modified eagle medium without fetal bovine serum (DMEM (-)) that contained indicated concentrations of peptides 1, 2, or 4.



Figure S3. Cytoplasmic delivery of Lumi4(Tb)-Tat(49-57) (3) in MDCK cells. Micrographs: left, bright field; right, time-gated luminescence (delay = 10 μ s, λ_{ex} = 365 nm, λ_{em} = 540 ± 10 nm) Scale bars, 10 μ m. MDCK cells were incubated for 30 min. at 37 °C in DMEM (-) containing **3** (10 μ M), washed 2X in PBS and reimmersed in DMEM (+) containing 1 mM Patent BlueTM prior to imaging.



Figure S4. Cytoplasmic delivery of Lumi4-(L)-Arg9 (1) in various cell types. Micrographs: left, bright field; right, time-gated luminescence (delay = 10 μ s, λ_{ex} = 365 nm, λ_{em} = 540 ± 10 nm) Scale bars, 10 μ m. Cells were incubated for 30 min. at 37 °C in DMEM (+) containing 1 (10 μ M), washed 2X in PBS and reimmersed in DMEM (+) containing 1 mM Patent BlueTM prior to imaging. **(top)** HeLa cells, (middle) NIH3T3 cells, (bottom) HEK293 cells.

CW ($\lambda_{em} = 610/70$)





LRET ($\lambda_{em} = 605/15$)





Figure S5. Arg9 mediates cytoplasmic delivery of 11 and specific labeling of H2B-TagRFPT-eDHFR as evidenced by time-gated LRET imaging of Tb³⁺-to-TagRFPt sensitized emission. MDCK cells transiently expressing H2B-TagRFPT-eDHFR were incubated for 30 min. at 37 °C in DMEM (-) containing 11 (10 μ M), washed 2X in PBS and reimmersed in DMEM (+) containing 1 mM Patent BlueTM prior to imaging. Micrographs: BF, bright field; CW, continuous wave fluorescence ($\lambda_{ex} = 570 \pm 40$ nm, $\lambda_{em} = 610 \pm 70$ nm); LRET, time-gated luminescence (delay = 10 μ s, $\lambda_{ex} = 365$ nm, $\lambda_{em} = 605 \pm 15$ nm); TGL, time-gated luminescence (delay = 10 μ s, $\lambda_{ex} = 365$ nm, $\lambda_{em} = 540 \pm 10$ nm). Scale bars, 10 μ M.