## Page S-1 Supporting Information

## Imaging Ca<sup>2+</sup> activity in mammalian cells and zebrafish with a novel redemitting aequorin variant

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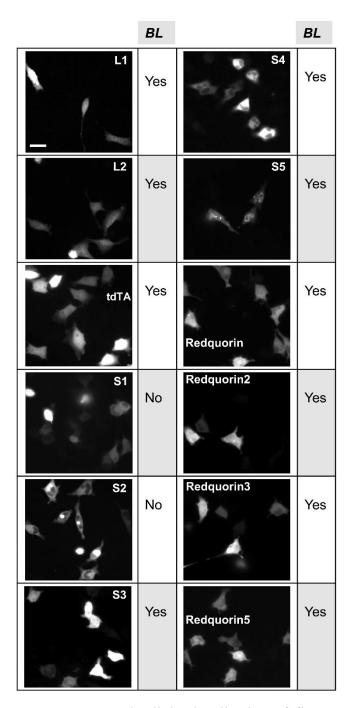
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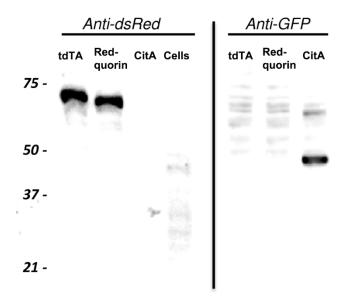
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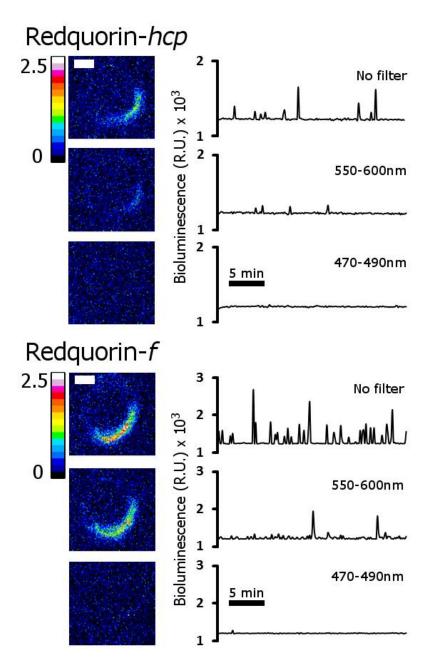
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**Figure S-1.** Subcellular localization of fluorescence of tdTA variants expressed in HeLa cells. Representative fluorescence images of each variant are displayed. The presence or absence of bioluminescence (BL) is indicated. Images were taken with 40x objective. Scale bar is  $30 \mu m$ .



**Figure S-2.** Western blot of tdTA, Redquorin and CitA. Lysates of untransfected HeLa cells, or cells expressing tdTA, Redquorin or CitA were run in SDS gels, transferred to nitrocellulose and probed with anti-dsRed (left) or anti-GFP (right). Markers of molecular weight (kDa) are displayed on the left.



**Figure S-3.** Luminescence from zebrafish expressing Redquorin into red and blue emission channels. No emission filter, 560-600 nm, or 470-490 nm bandpass emission filters were used. Images obtained during Ca<sup>2+</sup> transients and the luminescence time-course at 32 hpf are shown. ApoAeq was reconstituted with CLZ-*hcp* or -*f*. Scale bar, 250 μm.

**Table S-1.** Characterization of tdTA variants using the four-channel approach.

CLZ analog	tdTA variant	481 nm (B)	535 nm (G)	595 nm (O)	640 nm (R)	B+G	O+R
	Aeq	$60.2 \pm 2.1$	$29.2 \pm 1.3$	$7.2 \pm 1.9$	$3.4 \pm 1.0$	89.4	10.6
	GA	$16.2 \pm 4.1$	$72.3 \pm 2.5$	$9.4 \pm 4.0$	$2.1 \pm 1.1$	88.5	11.5
	tdTA	$38.1 \pm 2.5$	$20.0\pm2.1$	$28.6 \pm 2.6$	$13.3 \pm 1.5$	58.1	41.9
	tdTA-Y82F <sup>b</sup>	$25.0 \pm 3.2$	$26.0 \pm 2.8$	$33.0 \pm 4.0$	$16.0 \pm 2.2$	51.0	49.0
	L1	$44.6 \pm 4.1$	$22.4 \pm 2.2$	$22.3 \pm 3.6$	$10.7 \pm 2.7$	67.0	33.0
	L2	$41.3 \pm 5.1$	$21.1 \pm 3.6$	$25.7 \pm 4.0$	$11.9 \pm 3.0$	62.4	37.6
	S3	$33.0\pm3.2$	$18.3 \pm 1.6$	$32.3 \pm 2.9$	$16.4 \pm 1.6$	51.3	48.7
f	$S3-Y82F^b$	$20.8 \pm 3.5$	$20.5 \pm 2.1$	$39.1 \pm 4.1$	$19.6 \pm 2.0$	41.3	58.7
	S4	$48.6 \pm 3.5$	$25.8 \pm 1.7$	$17.4 \pm 3.0$	$8.2 \pm 1.5$	74.4	25.6
	S5	$33.3 \pm 2.2$	$19.0 \pm 1.6$	$32.2 \pm 1.4$	$15.5 \pm 1.9$	52.3	47.7
	Redquorin-2	$26.0\pm2.6$	$9.0\pm1.2$	$45.7 \pm 2.1$	$19.3 \pm 1.8$	35.0	65.0
	Redquorin-3	$13.8 \pm 3.6$	$11.7 \pm 1.7$	$50.0 \pm 1.0$	$24.5 \pm 3.6$	25.5	74.5
	Redquorin	$12.6 \pm 2.4$	$10.0\pm1.6$	$50.8 \pm 3.2$	$26.6 \pm 1.3$	22.6	77.4
	Redquorin-4 <sup>b</sup>	$7.6 \pm 1.1$	$10.4 \pm 1.3$	$54.0 \pm 1.4$	$28.0 \pm 1.1$	18.0	82.0
	Redquorin-5 <sup>b</sup>	$15.3 \pm 2.4$	$18.7 \pm 2.8$	$43.9 \pm 3.0$	$22.1 \pm 2.2$	34.0	66.0
hcp	tdTA <sup>a</sup>	$51.5 \pm 2.5$	$17.0 \pm 1.1$	$20.7 \pm 2.6$	$10.8 \pm 0.7$	68.5	31.5
	tdTA	$52.0 \pm 2.7$	$16.8 \pm 0.9$	$20.8 \pm 2.1$	$10.4 \pm 1.2$	68.8	31.2
	$S3-Y82F^b$	$29.9 \pm 3.9$	$19.1 \pm 2.5$	$33.5 \pm 4.0$	$17.5 \pm 2.4$	49.0	51.0
	Redquorin <sup>a</sup>	$15.0 \pm 2.2$	$10.3 \pm 1.3$	$50.1 \pm 2.5$	$24.6 \pm 1.2$	25.3	74.7
	Redquorin	$18.0 \pm 3.9$	$9.6 \pm 1.5$	$47.6 \pm 3.5$	$24.8 \pm 1.7$	27.6	72.4
	Redquorin-4 <sup>b</sup>	$16.5\pm2.1$	$10.9\pm1.0$	$45.7 \pm 1.1$	$26.9 \pm 1.3$	27.4	72.6
h	tdTA	$41.5 \pm 2.4$	$18.9 \pm 1.9$	$27.5 \pm 2.2$	$12.1 \pm 2.5$	60.9	39.6
	tdTA-Y82F <sup>b</sup>	$28.6 \pm 3.3$	$25.7 \pm 3.0$	$31.8 \pm 3.9$	$14.0 \pm 2.2$	54.3	45.8
	L2	$44.5 \pm 1.3$	$20.2 \pm 2.2$	$24.6 \pm 2.6$	$10.7 \pm 1.6$	64.7	35.3
	L1	$48.6 \pm 1.9$	$22.1 \pm 1.6$	$20.8 \pm 2.1$	$8.5 \pm 1.8$	70.7	29.3
	Redquorin	$13.3 \pm 3.2$	$12.6 \pm 1.8$	$48.4 \pm 3.5$	$25.7 \pm 2.0$	25.9	74.1
	Redquorin-4 <sup>b</sup>	$10.8 \pm 3.3$	$10.9\pm0.8$	$51.7 \pm 3.4$	$26.6 \pm 0.7$	21.7	78.3
	Redquorin-5 <sup>b</sup>	$18.2 \pm 2.0$	$17.8 \pm 2.9$	$43.1 \pm 2.9$	$20.9 \pm 1.8$	36.0	64.0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Data were obtained in HEK cells stimulated with 50 μM carbachol instead of digitonin.

HeLa cells expressing Aequorin (Aeq), GFP-Aeq (GA), tdTA, and its variants (Fig. 1) were reconstituted with the indicated CLZs. The percentage of counts in four emission channels (center wavelength is indicated) were determined in individual HeLa cells after permeabilization with digitonin/Ca<sup>2+</sup> (see<sup>1</sup>). The average of 6 to 38 cells  $\pm$  S.D. is shown. The two rightmost columns show the sum of % emission in the 481 and 535 nm channels (B+G, blue plus green), and the sum of 595 and 640 nm channels (O+R, orange plus red).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> These clones contain Aeq point-mutation Y82F.

**Table S-2.** Oligonucleotides used for the construction of variants with different linkers and point-mutations.

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Name	Oligonucleotide DNA sequence					
22aa-L	5'- CCGGGGTGGCAGTGGAAGTGGTCAAAGTGGTTCCGGTAGTGGAGGCCAG AGTGGTAGTGGAAGTGGCCAATCC 3'- CACCGTCACCTTCACCAGTTTCACCAAGGCCATCACCTCCGGTCTCACC ATCACCTTCACCGGTTAGGGGCC					
13aa-L	5'- CCGGGGTAGTGGAGGCCAGAGTGGTAGTGGAAGTGGCCAATCC					
	3'- CCATCACCTCCGGTCTCACCATCACCTTCACCGGTTAGGGGCC					
6aa-L	5'- CCGGCGGCAGCGGTAGCT					
	3'- GCCGTCGCCATCGAGGCC					
YG-SG	(P) 5' - CTGTTCCTGTCCGGAATGGACGAGCTGTAC					
LF-SG	(P)5'- CCGCCACCACTTGGGCCTGTACGGCATGGACG (1st round)					
	(P)5'- CCGCCACCACTCCGGACTGTACGGCATGGACG (2nd round)					
DN-SG	(P)5'-CTTACATCAGACTTCGCCAGACCAAGATGGATTGGACG (1st round)					
	(P) 5'- TACATCAGACTTCTCCGGACCAAGATGGATTGGAC (2 <sup>nd</sup> round)					
SD-SG	(P) 5' - GATCTGTCAAACTTACATCCGGATTCGACAACCCAAGATG					
SV-SG	(P) 5' - CAGTCCGGACTCAGATCCGGAAAACTTACATCAGACTTCG					
G-D	(P) 5' - CCACCTGTTCCTGTCCGACTTCGACAACCCAAGATGG					
F224L	(P) 5' - GAGGGCCGCCACCACCTGCTGCTGTCCGGATTCGACAAC					
Y82F	(P) 5'- GTGGAAACTGATTGGCCTGCATTTATTGAAGGATGGAAAAAATTG					

The table is divided in three sections by dashed lines. Oligonucleotides used to construct long-linker peptide variants are shown in the top section. The middle section lists the mutagenic oligonucleotides used to convert aminoacids in tdTA to SG, D or L, as indicated in Fig. 1 and in Materials and methods. Some aminoacid changes required two

rounds of mutagenesis. The last section displays the oligonucleotide used to insert Y82F mutation in Aeq. Mutagenic oligonucleotides carried a phosphate group (P) at their 5'-end. All oligonucleotides were synthesized by Fisher Scientific.

**Video S-1.** Spontaneous  $Ca^{2+}$  transients of an f-Redquorin expressing zebrafish embryo at 26 hpf. Brightfield and luminescence timelapse images are shown. Integration time was 10 s/frame. Time stamp indicates hours:min post-fertilization. Scale bar, 250  $\mu$ m. Luminescence is shown in relative units x 1000.