

## Supplementary information

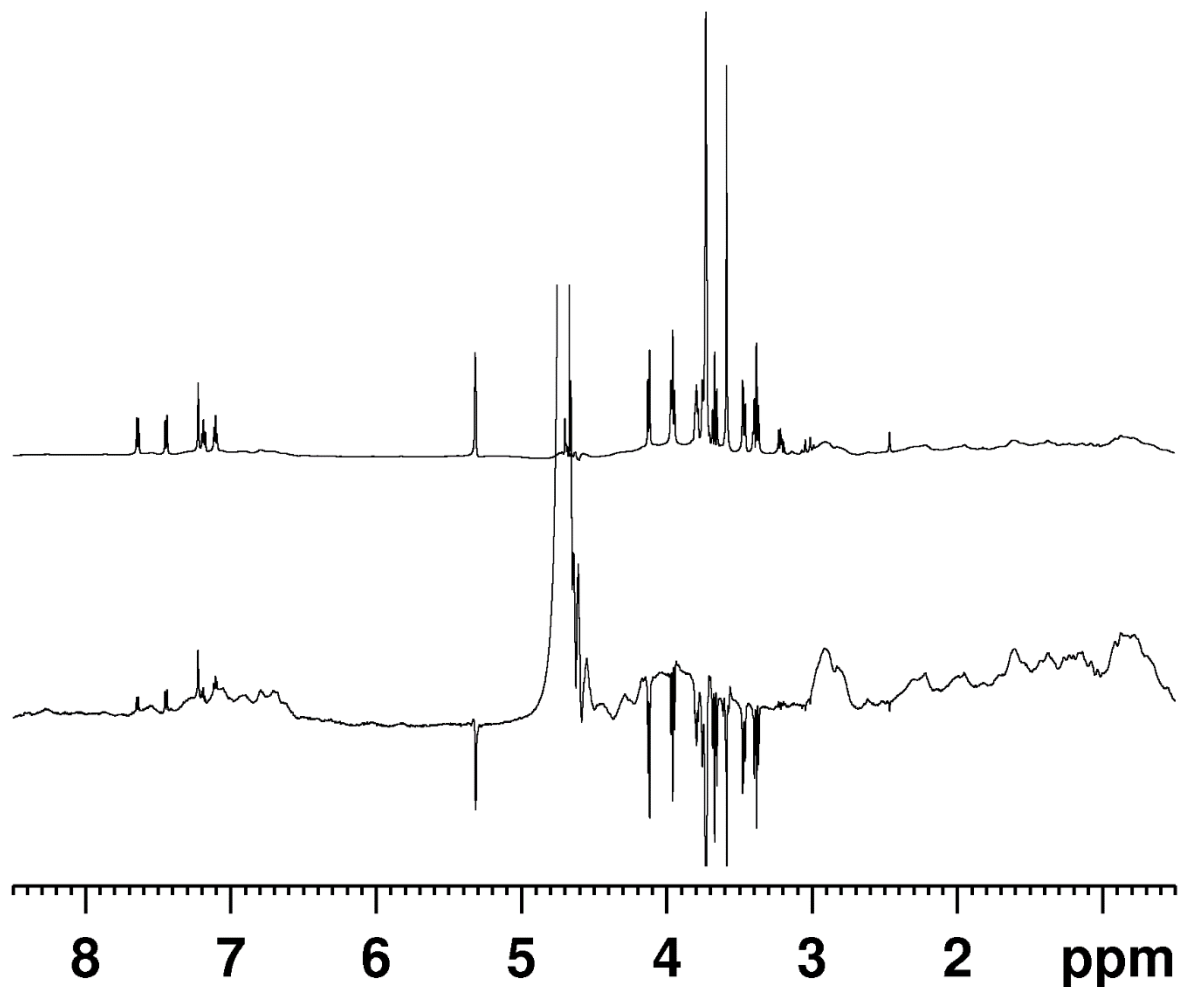
### **Protein-ligand binding affinity determination by the waterLOGSY method: An optimised approach considering ligand rebinding.**

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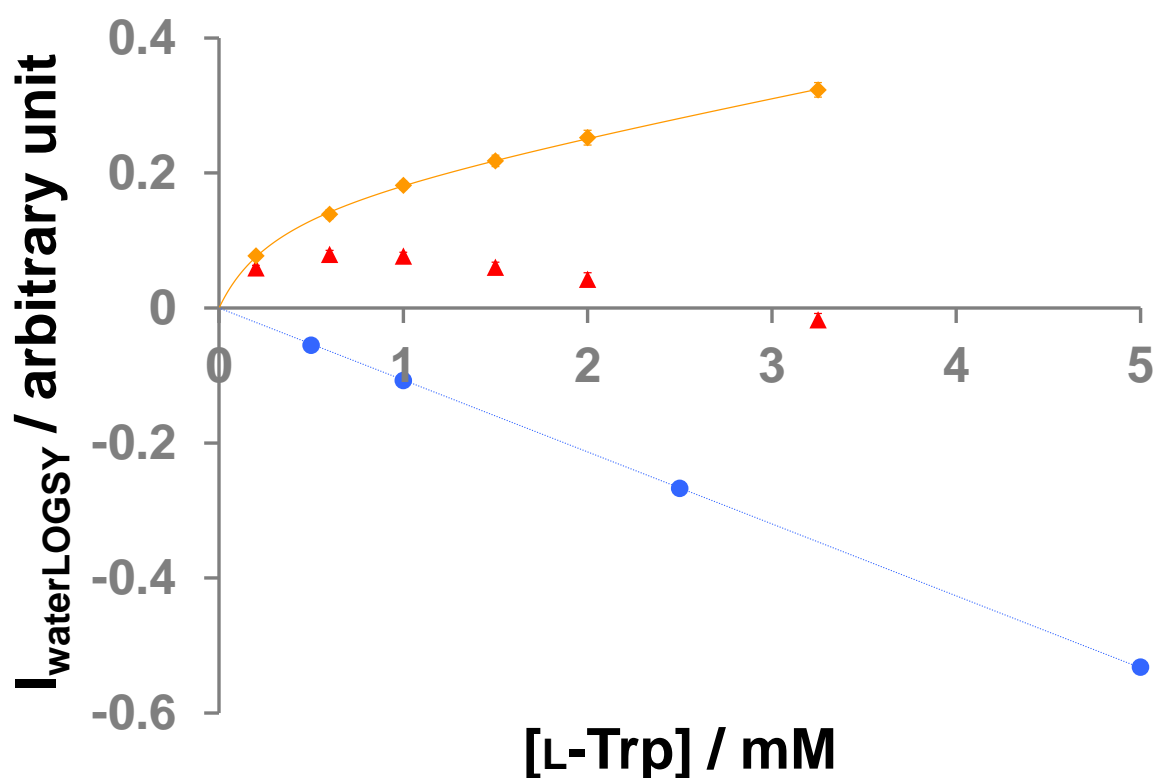
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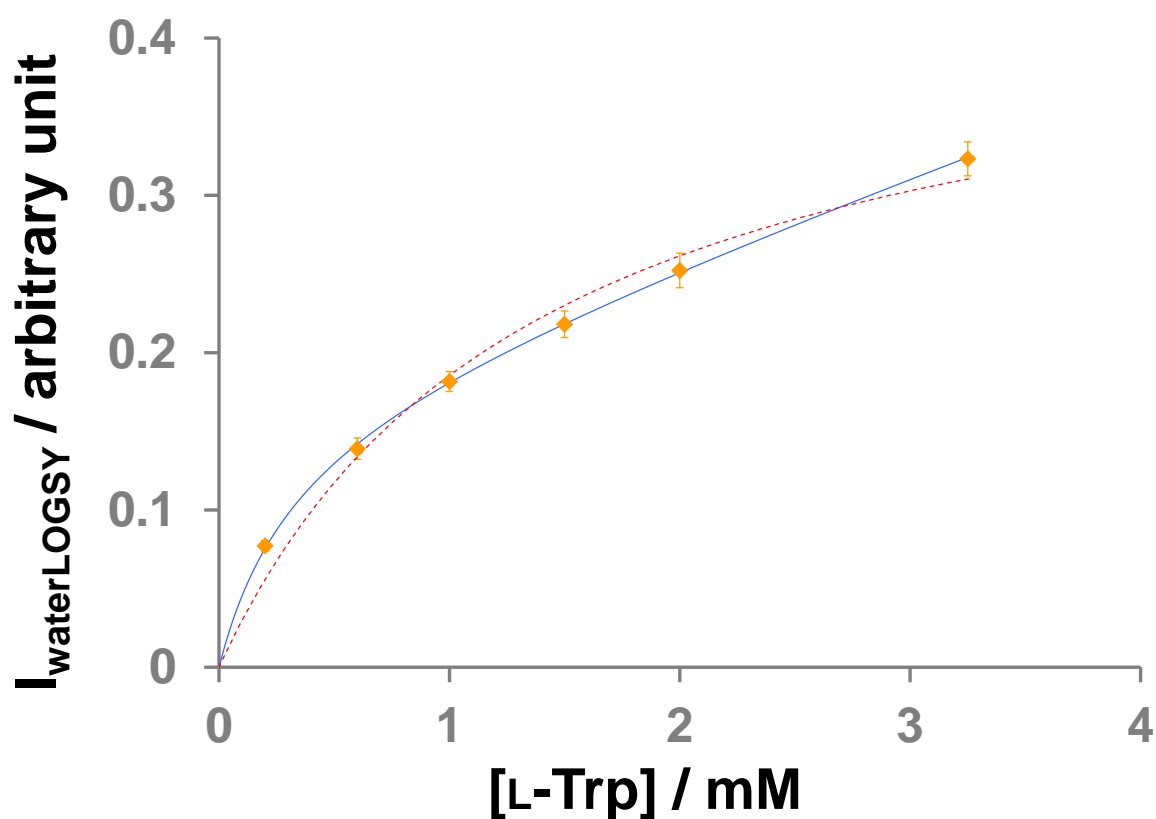
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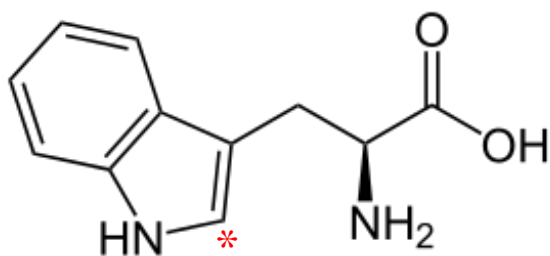
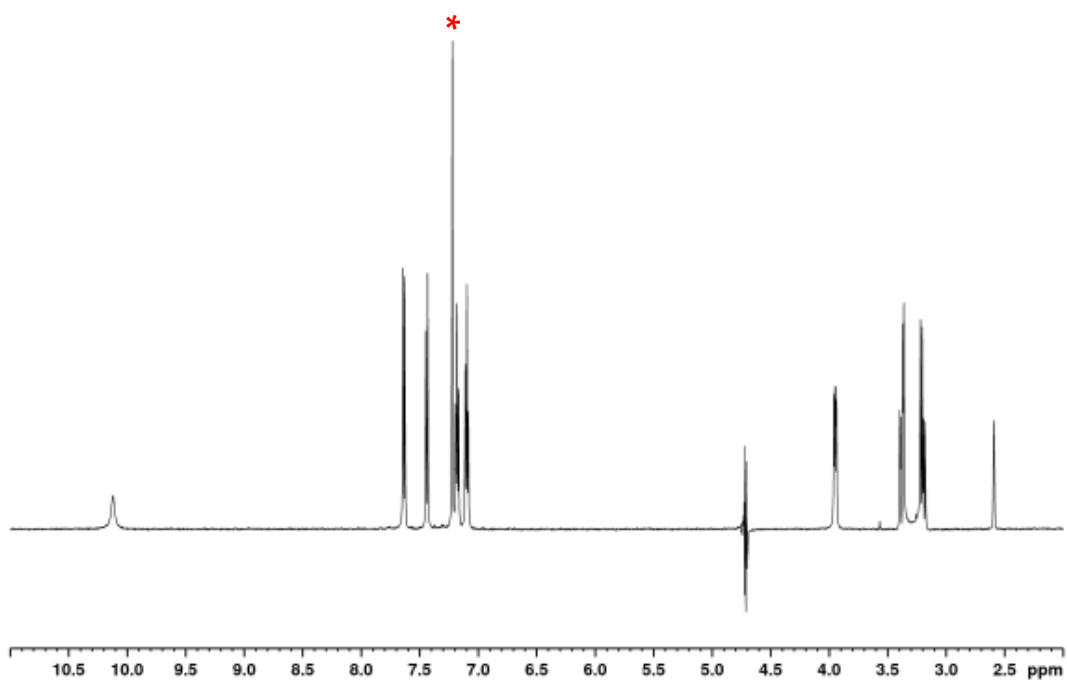
Supplementary Figure S1: A typical waterLOGSY spectrum acquired at 700 MHz (bottom) and its corresponding  $^1\text{H}$  spectrum (top). The mixture contained 100  $\mu\text{M}$  bovine serum albumin (BSA), 2 mM L-tryptophan (binder) and 2 mM sucrose (non-binder) in 90%  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and 10%  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ . Selective on-resonance irradiation was applied at 4.7 ppm. The mixing time was 1 second and the relaxation delay was 2 seconds. The non-binder exhibits positive NOE, and the protein and the binder exhibit negative NOE. For better visualisation, positive NOE is usually phased negative and negative NOE is phased positive.



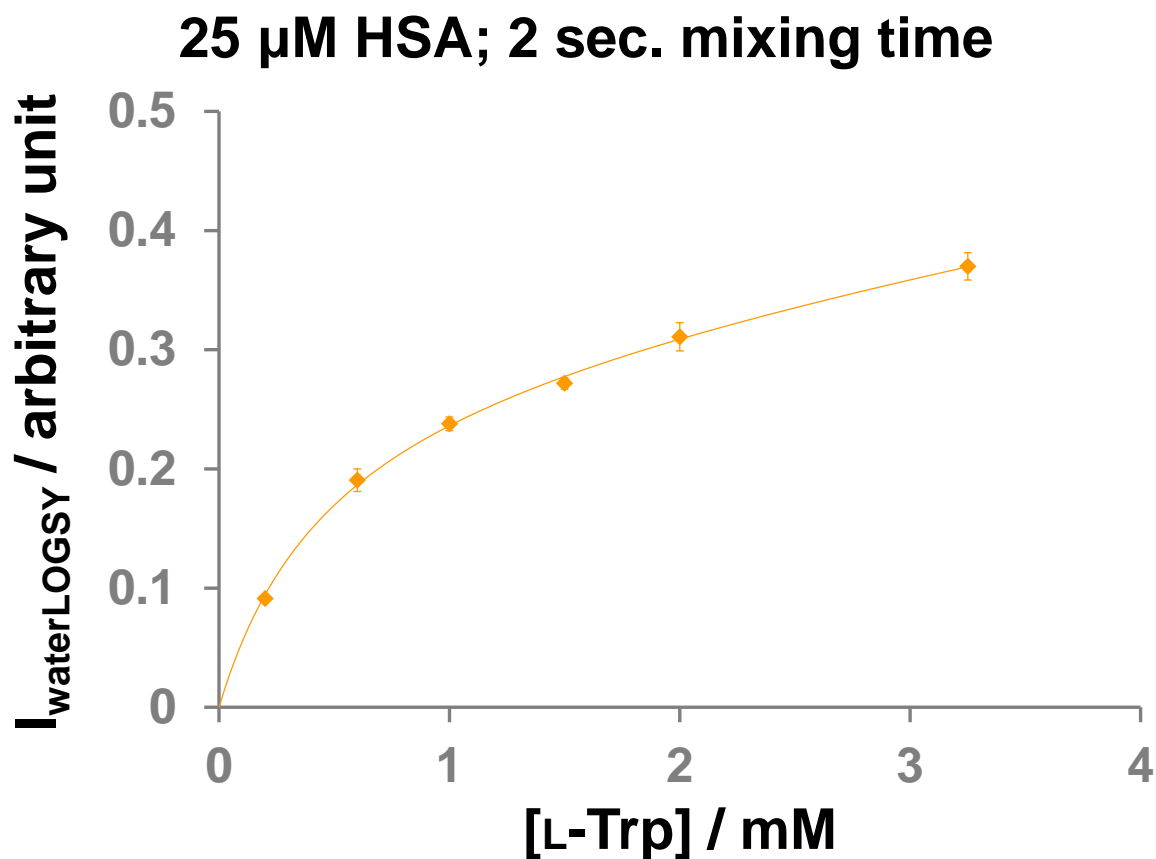
Supplementary Figure S2: The red curve was obtained with waterLOGSY at different ligand concentrations in the presence of the protein (i.e. both positive and negative NOE). The mixture contained 25  $\mu\text{M}$  human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.2–3.25 mM L-tryptophan (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90%  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and 10%  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ . The blue curve (control) was obtained with waterLOGSY at different ligand concentrations in the absence of the protein (i.e. positive NOE). The orange curve is the corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm, which is obtained by subtracting the blue curve from the red curve. Selective on-resonance irradiation of water protons was applied at 4.7 ppm. The mixing time was 1 second and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.



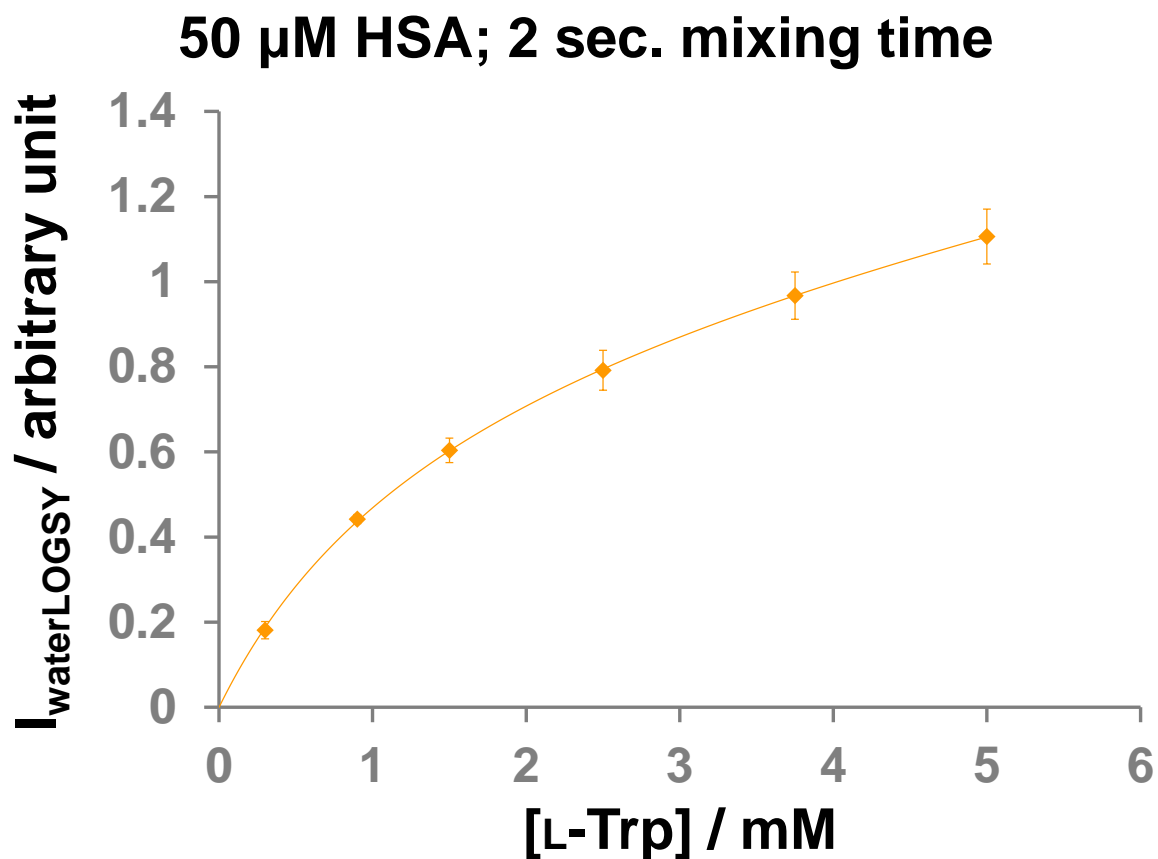
Supplementary Figure S3: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The system contained 25  $\mu\text{M}$  human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.2–3.25 mM L-tryptophan (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90%  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and 10%  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ . The blue curve was fitted with the model proposed by Taira and Terada, which takes non-specific binding to serum albumin into account, and the red dotted curve was fitted with the standard 1:1 binding model, which does not take non-specific binding into account. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.



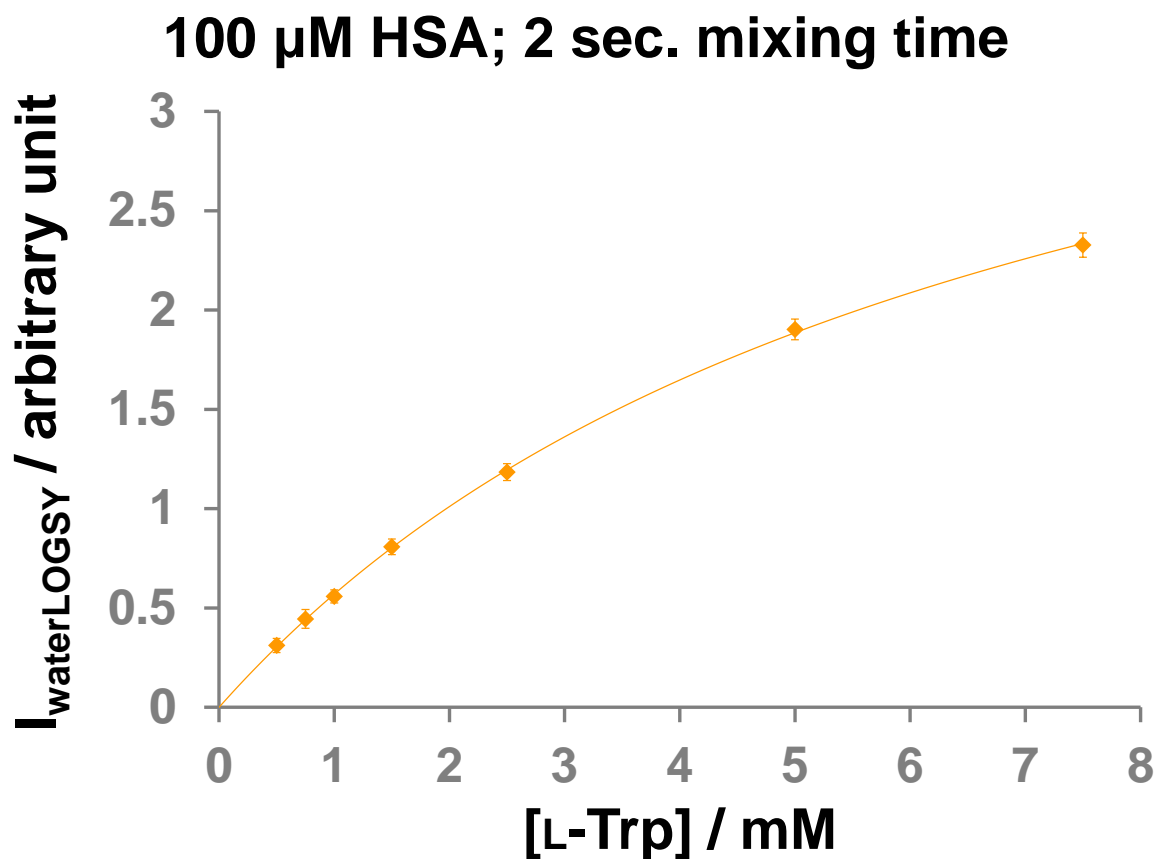
Supplementary Figure S4: H- $\delta$  on L-tryptophan (asterisk) is a singlet and has the strongest intensity. It was therefore integrated for all  $K_D$  determination in this study.



Supplementary Figure S5: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 2 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 25  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.2–3.25 mM L-tryptophan (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was 510  $\mu$ M  $\pm$  80  $\mu$ M. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.

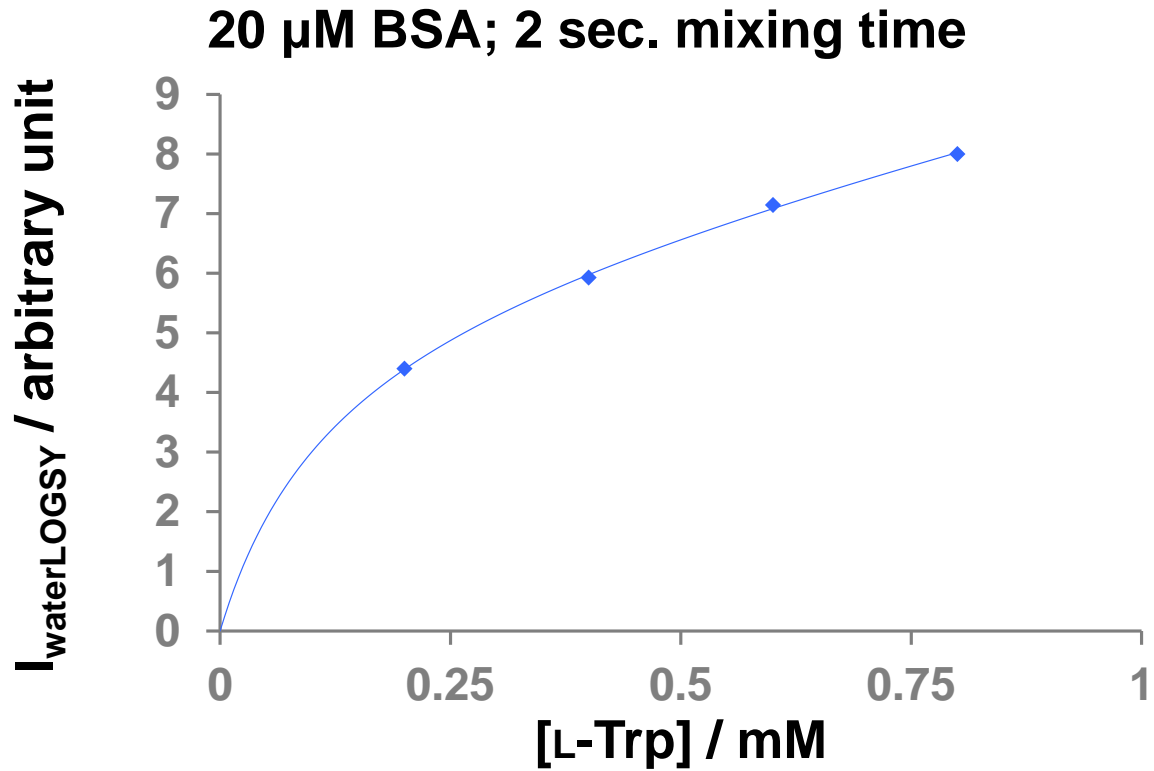


Supplementary Figure S6: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 2 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 50  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.3–5.0 mM L-tryptophan (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was 1.7 mM  $\pm$  0.5 mM. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.

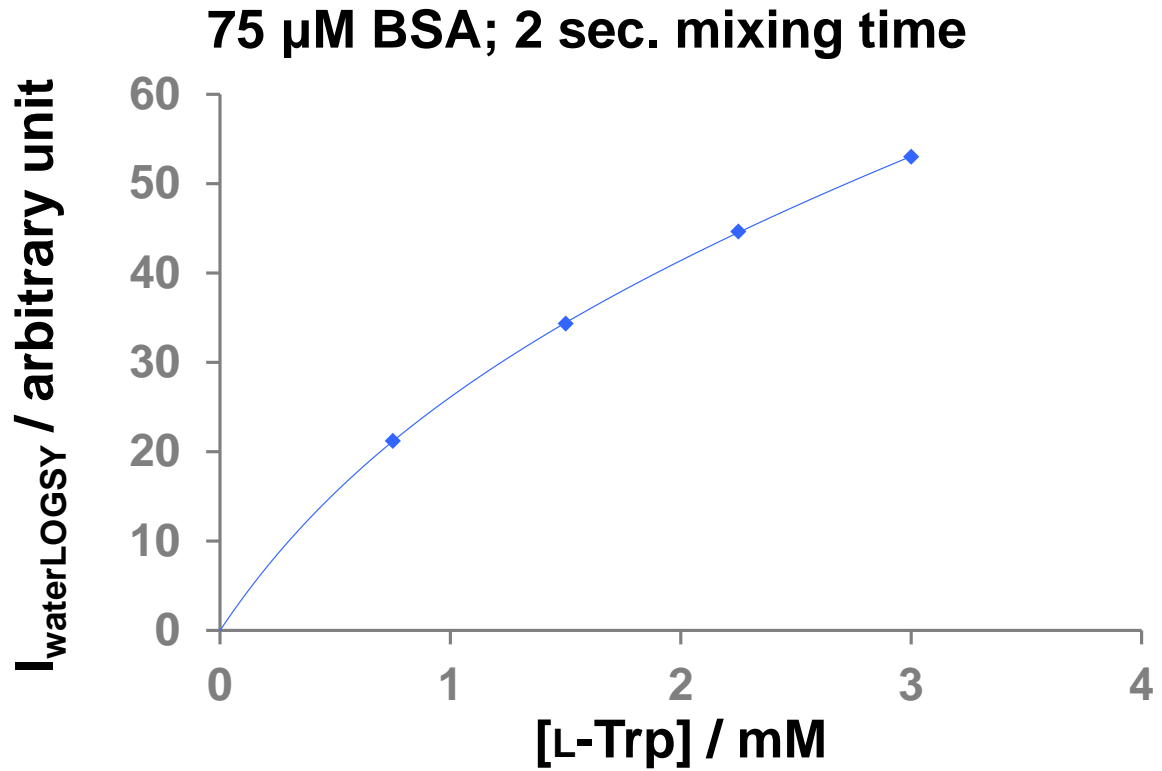


Supplementary Figure S7: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 2 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 100  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.5–7.5 mM L-tryptophan (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was 6.5 mM  $\pm$  1.6 mM. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.

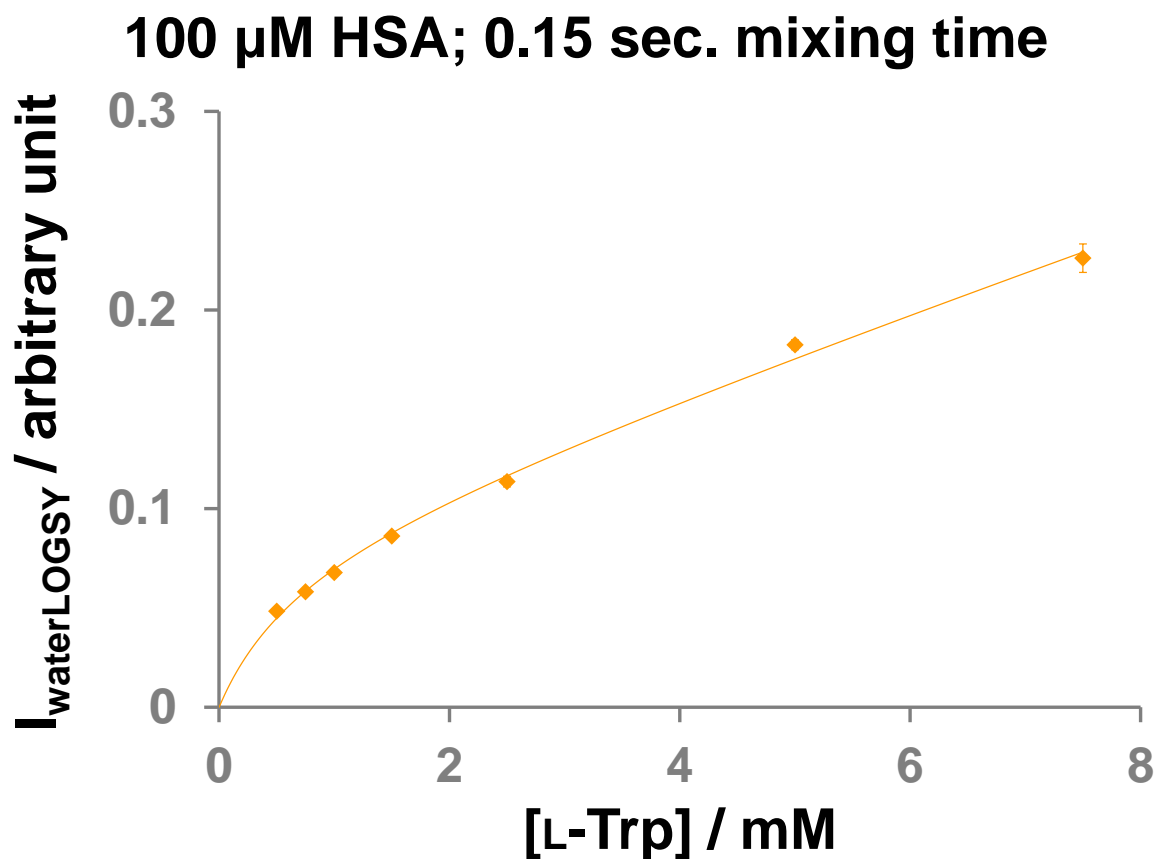




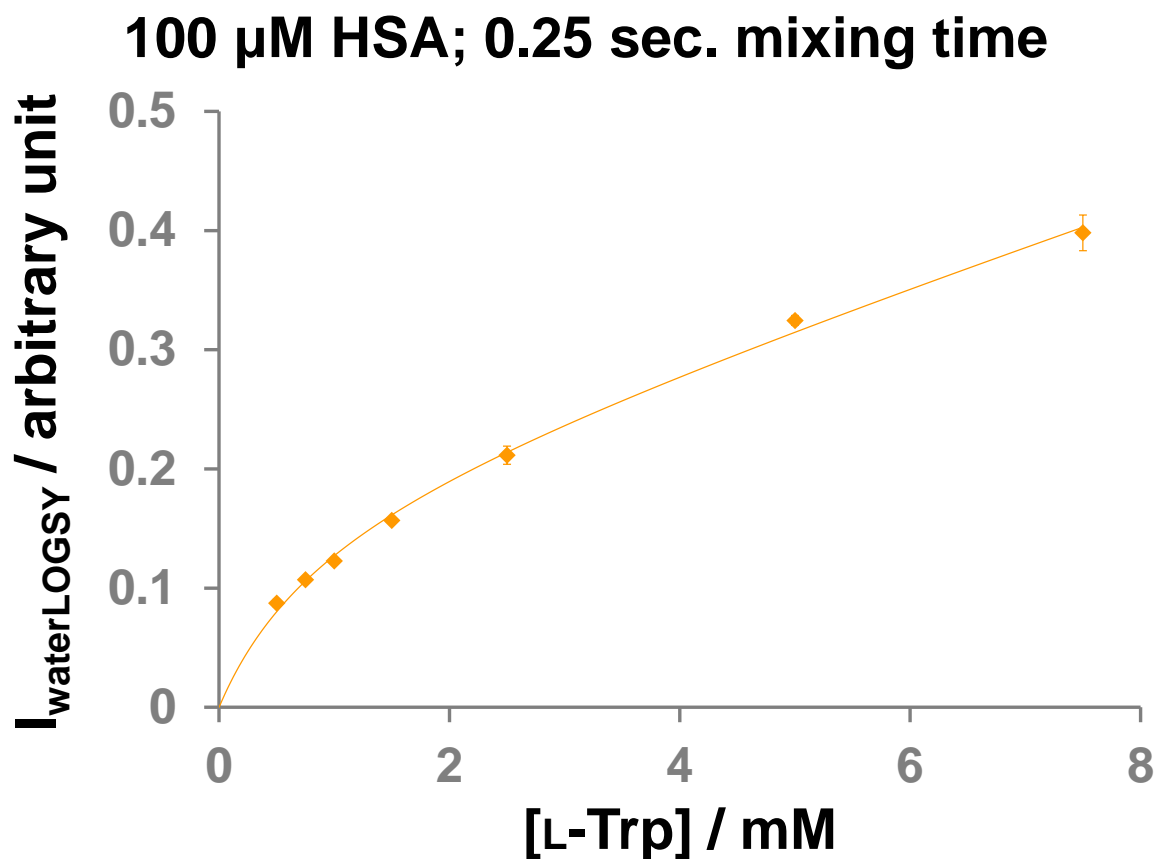
Supplementary Figure S8: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 2 seconds and the relaxation delay was 5 seconds. The system contained 20  $\mu$ M bovine serum albumin (BSA) and 0.2–0.8 mM L-tryptophan (binder) in 50 mM Tris-D11 buffer (pH 7.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O and 0.02% NaN<sub>3</sub>. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was  $\sim$ 120  $\mu$ M.



Supplementary Figure S9: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 2 seconds and the relaxation delay was 5 seconds. The system contained 75  $\mu$ M bovine serum albumin (BSA) and 0.75–3.0 mM L-tryptophan (binder) in 50 mM Tris-D11 buffer (pH 7.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O and 0.02% NaN<sub>3</sub>. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was ~1.5 mM.

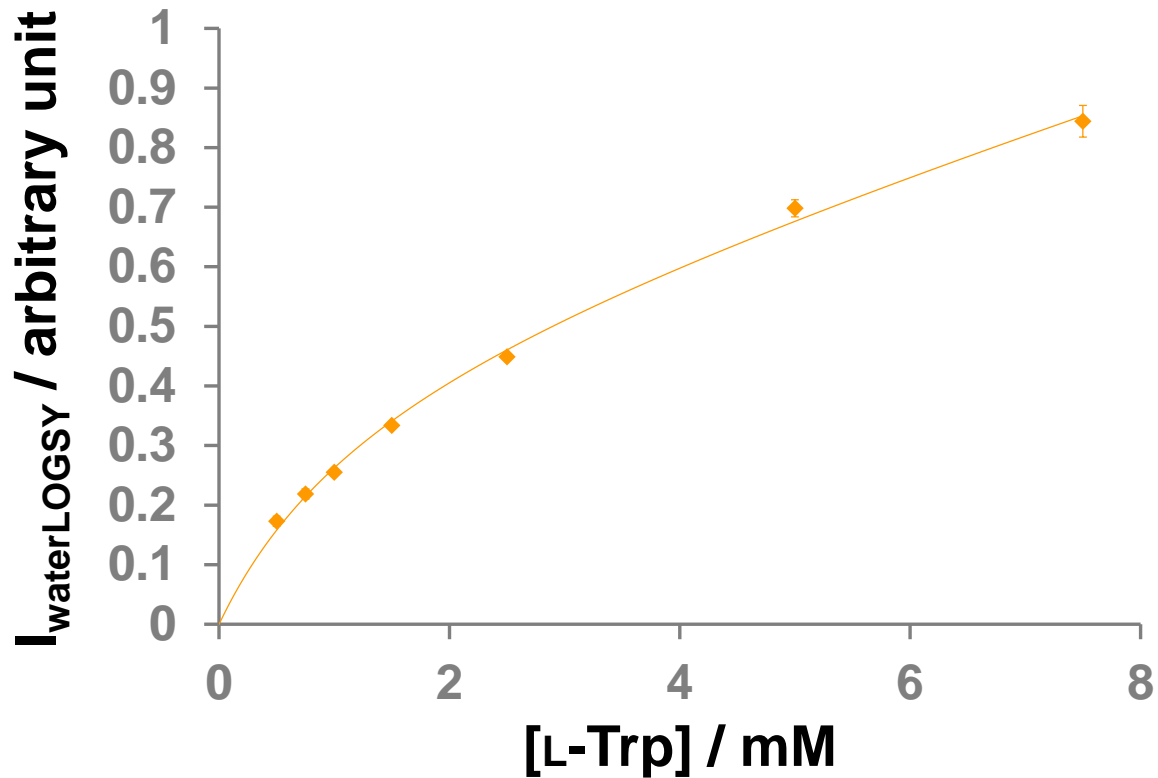


Supplementary Figure S10: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 0.15 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 100  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.5–7.5 mM L-tryptophan (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was 765  $\mu$ M  $\pm$  140  $\mu$ M. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.

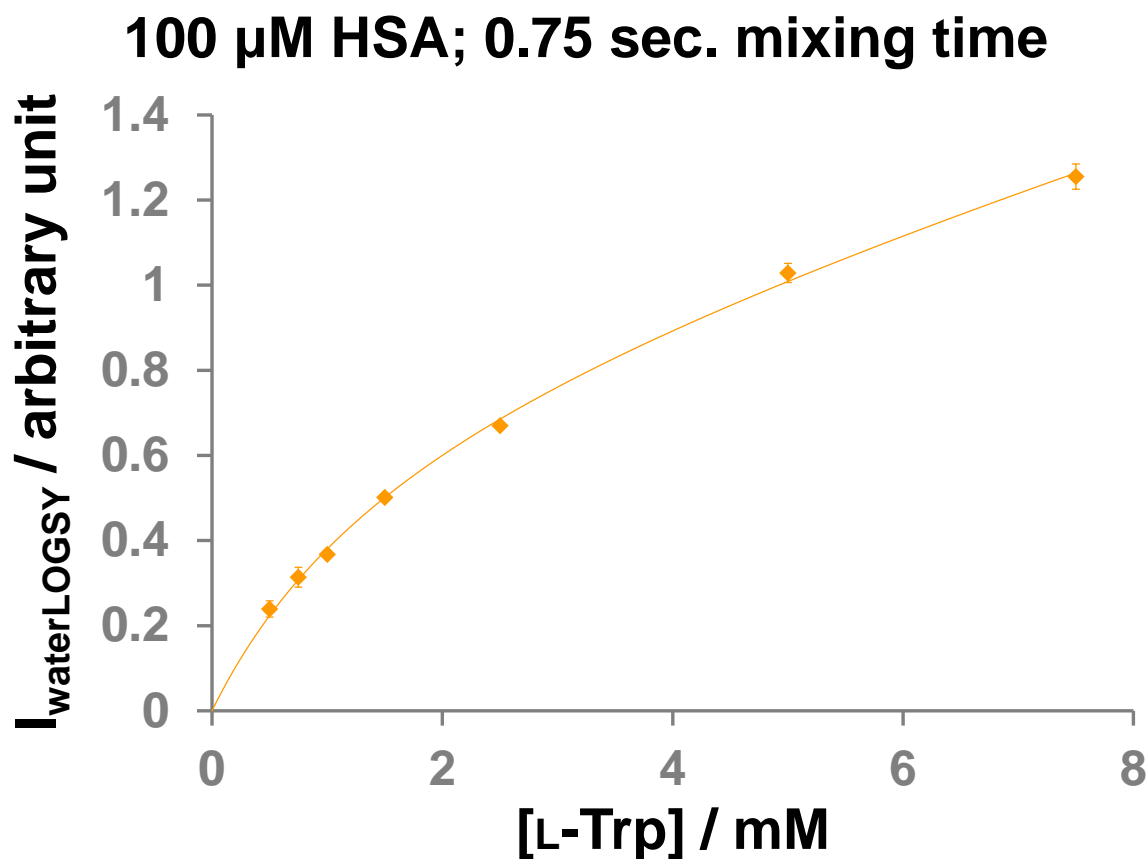


Supplementary Figure S11: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 0.25 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 100  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.5–7.5 mM L-tryptophan (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was 1.0 mM  $\pm$  0.2 mM. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.

## 100 $\mu$ M HSA; 0.5 sec. mixing time

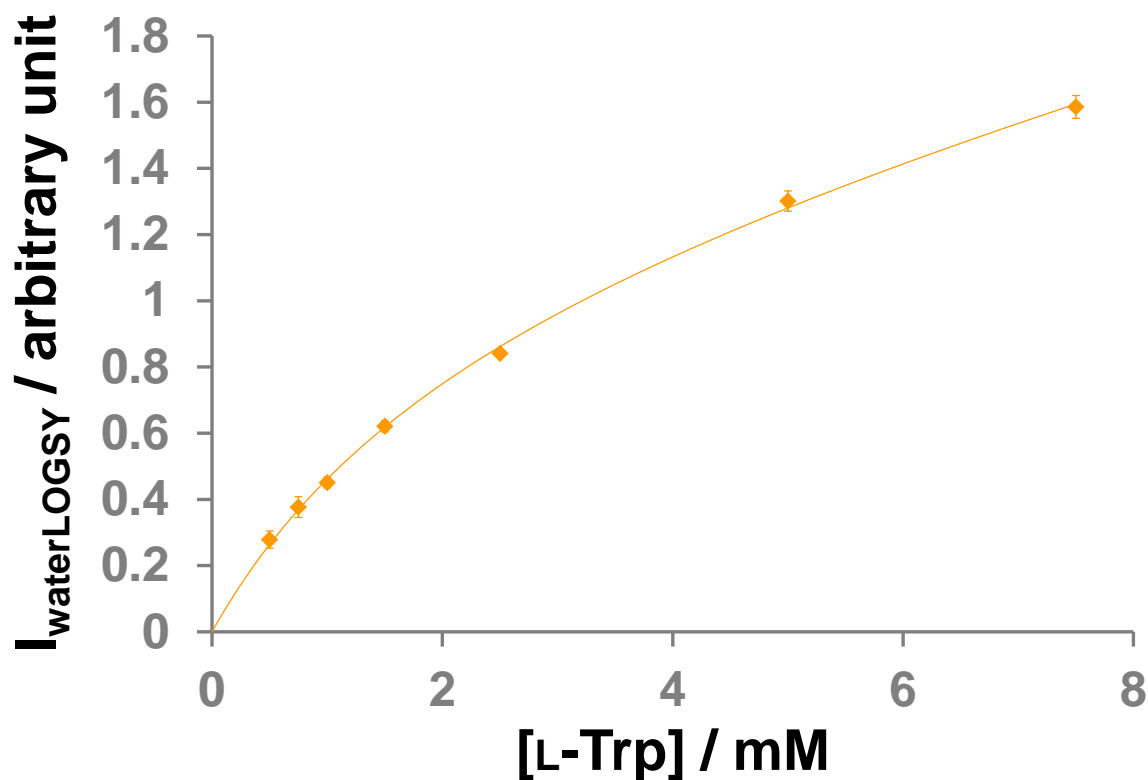


Supplementary Figure S12: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 0.5 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 100  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.5–7.5 mM L-tryptophan (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was 1.5 mM  $\pm$  0.4 mM. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.

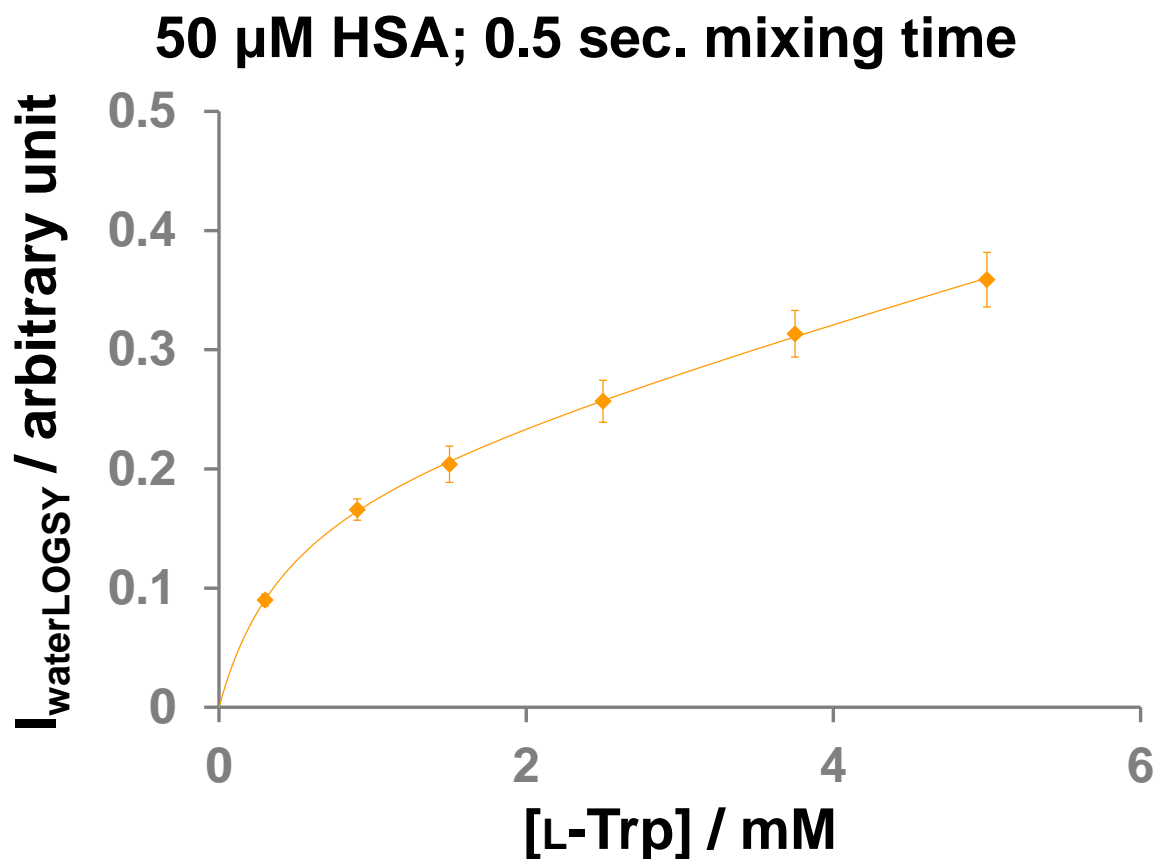


Supplementary Figure S13: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 0.75 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 100  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.5–7.5 mM L-tryptophan (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was 1.8 mM  $\pm$  0.1 mM. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.

## 100 $\mu$ M HSA; 1 sec. mixing time

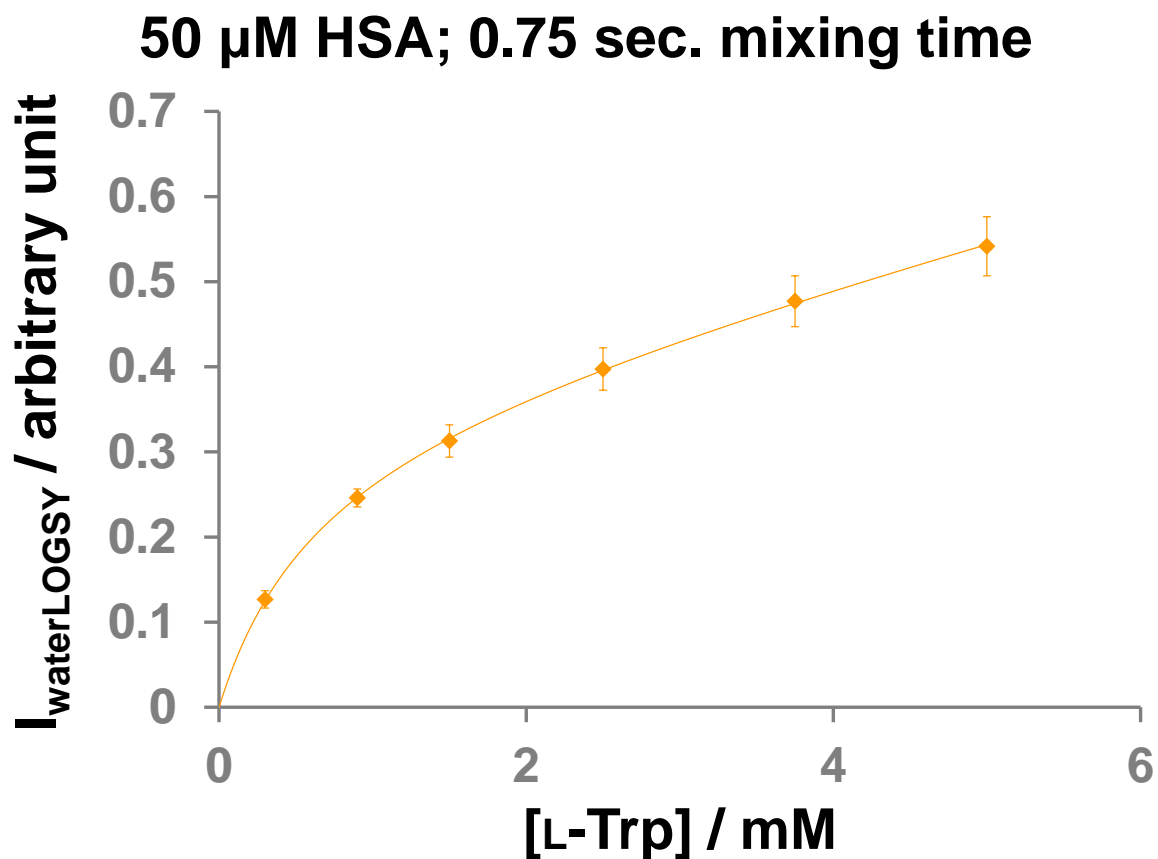


Supplementary Figure S14: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 1.0 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 100  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.5–7.5 mM L-tryptophan (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was 2.3 mM  $\pm$  0.2 mM. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.

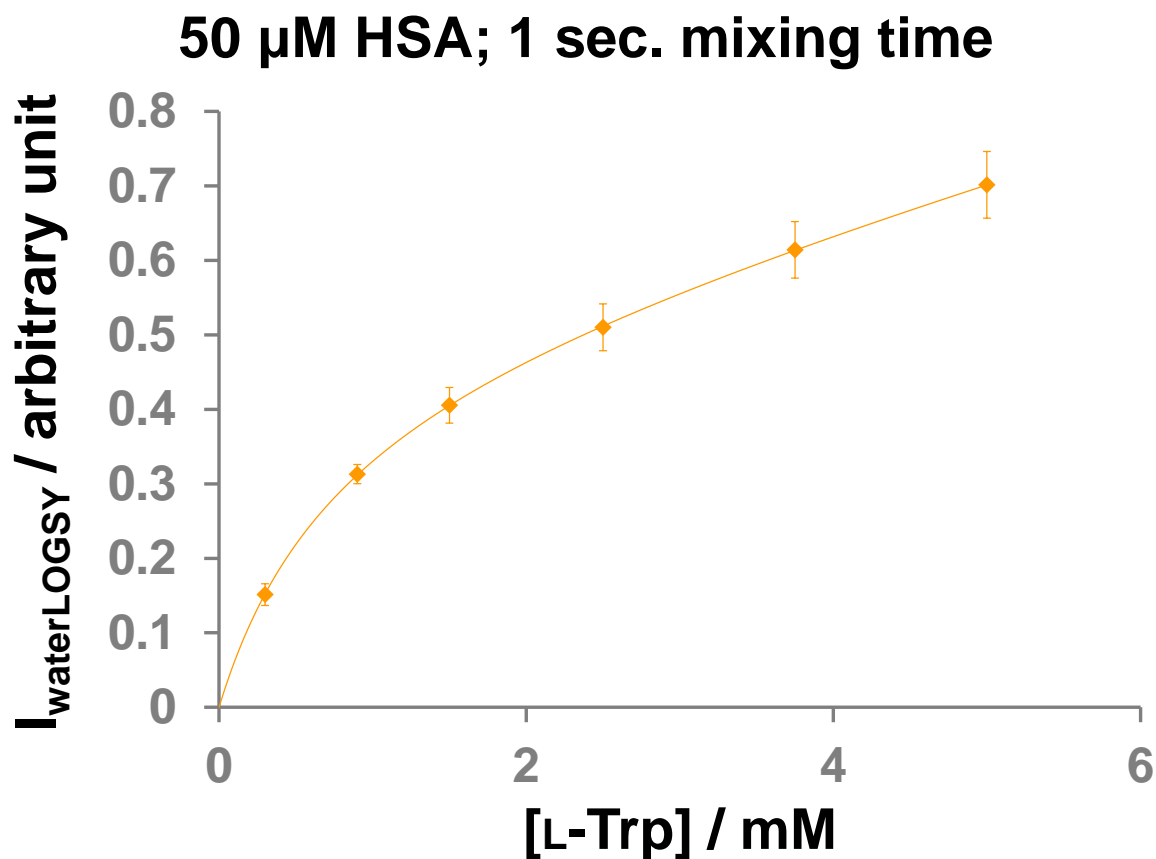


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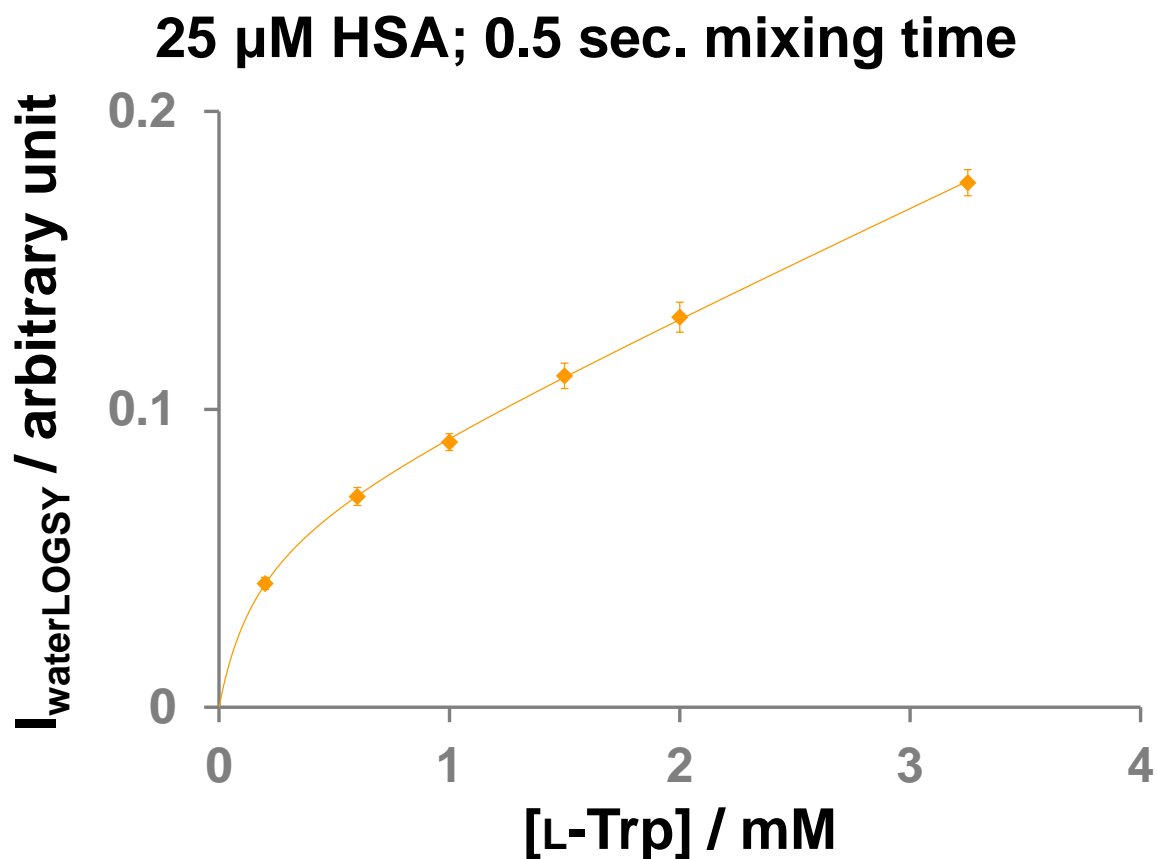




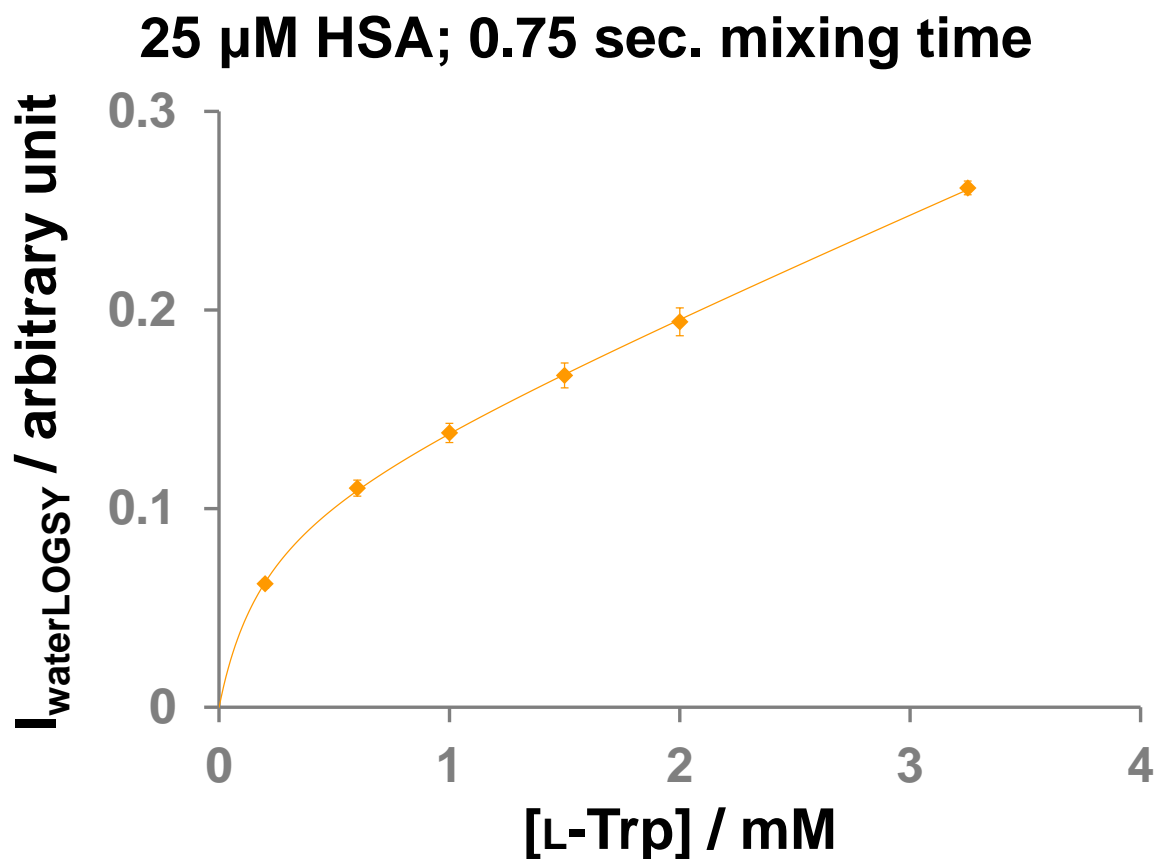
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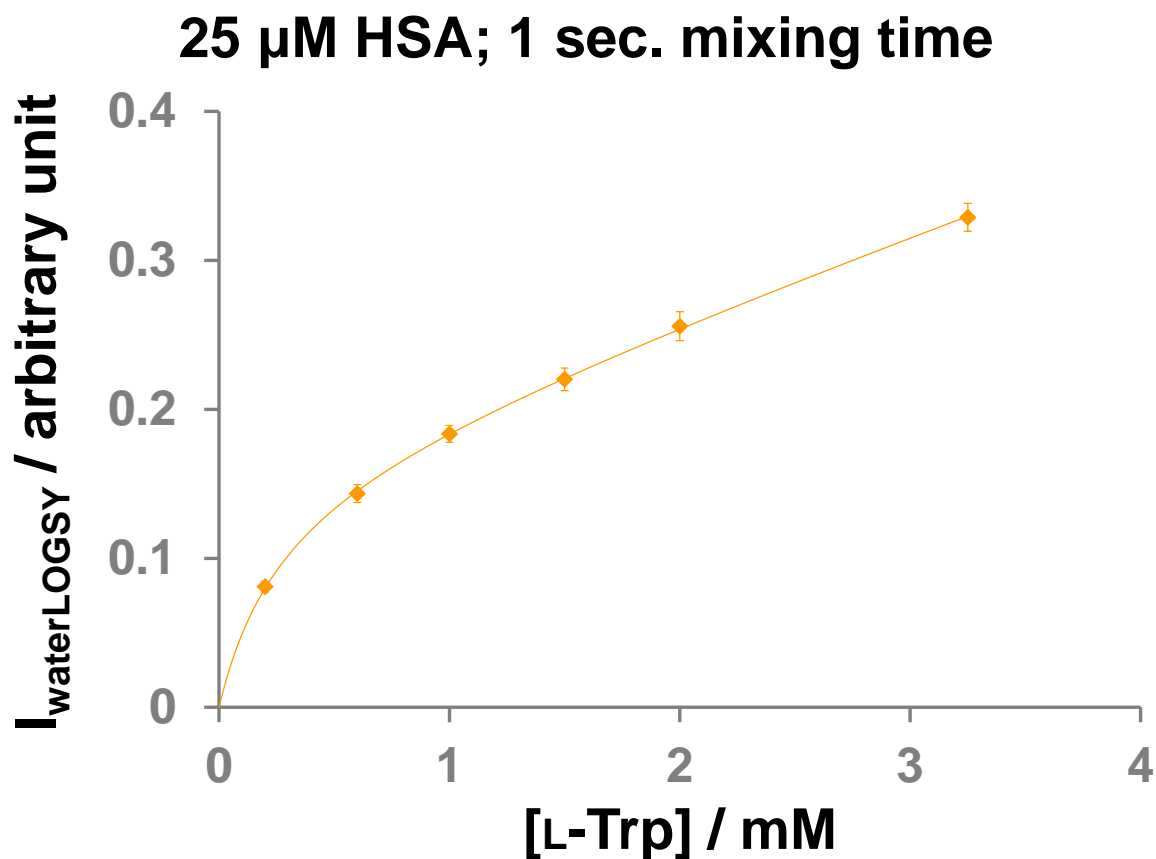
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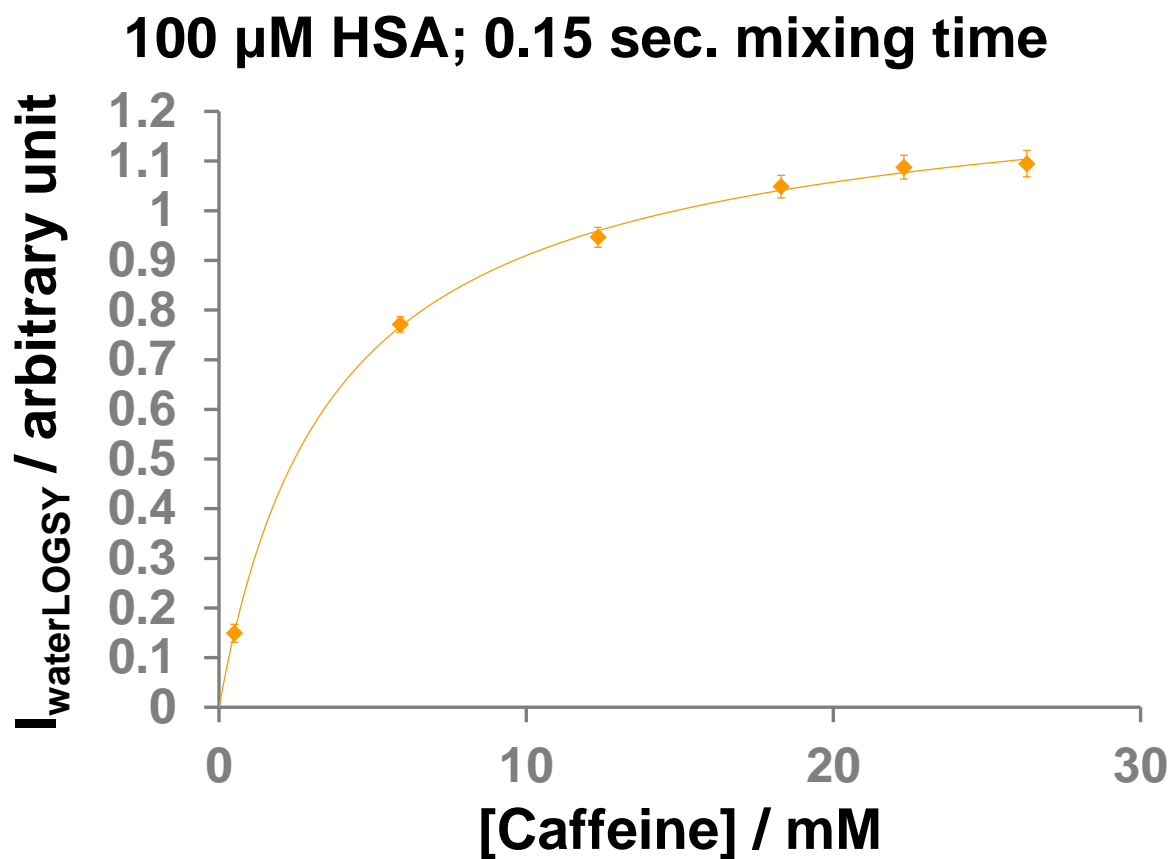
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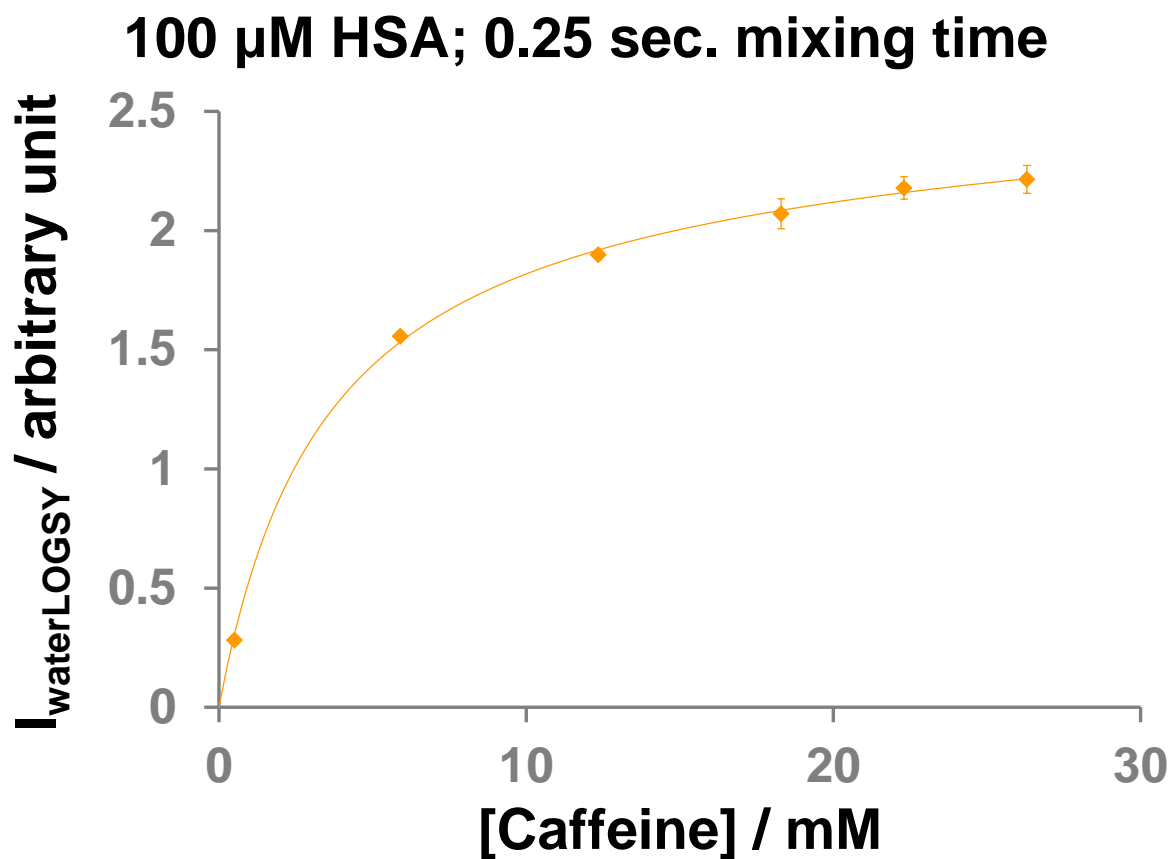
Supplementary Figure S19: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 0.75 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 25  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.2–3.25 mM L-tryptophan (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was 200  $\mu$ M  $\pm$  45  $\mu$ M. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.



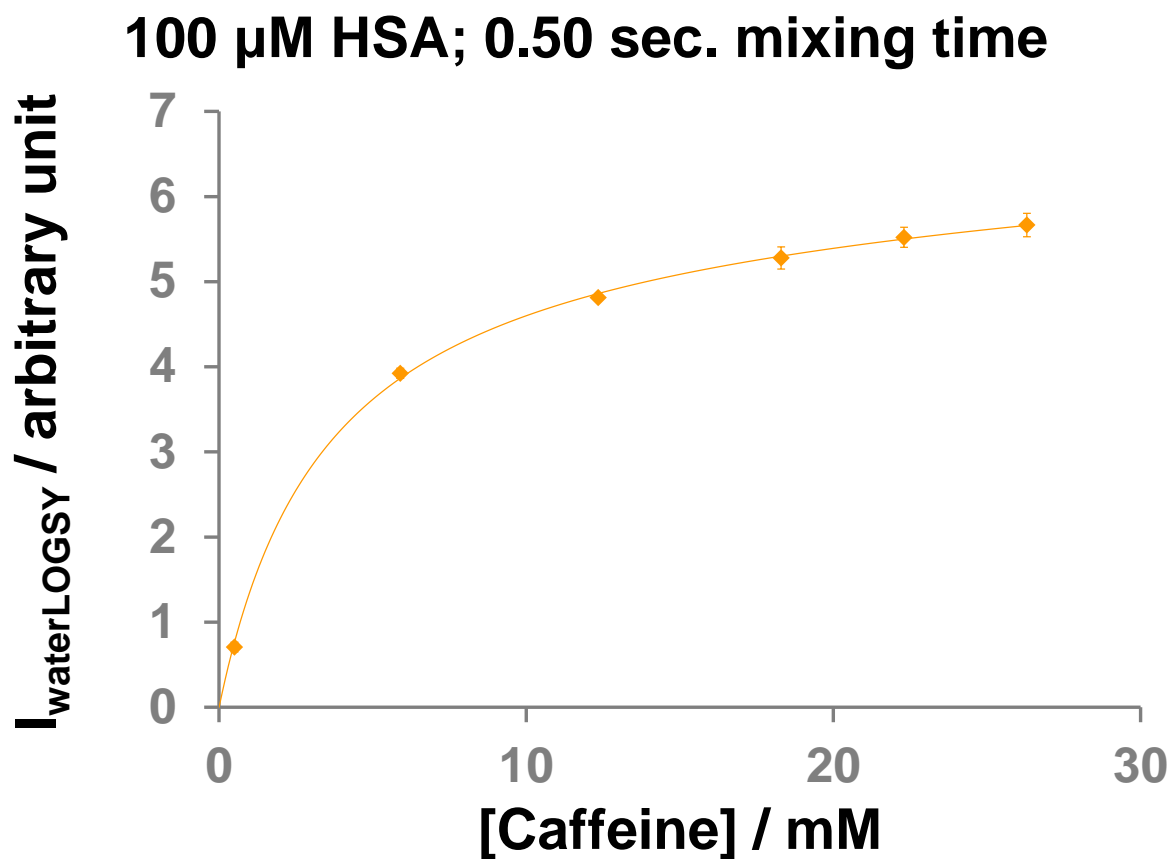
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Supplementary Figure S21: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 0.15 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 25  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.5–26.3 mM caffeine (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was 3.2 mM  $\pm$  0.3 mM. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.

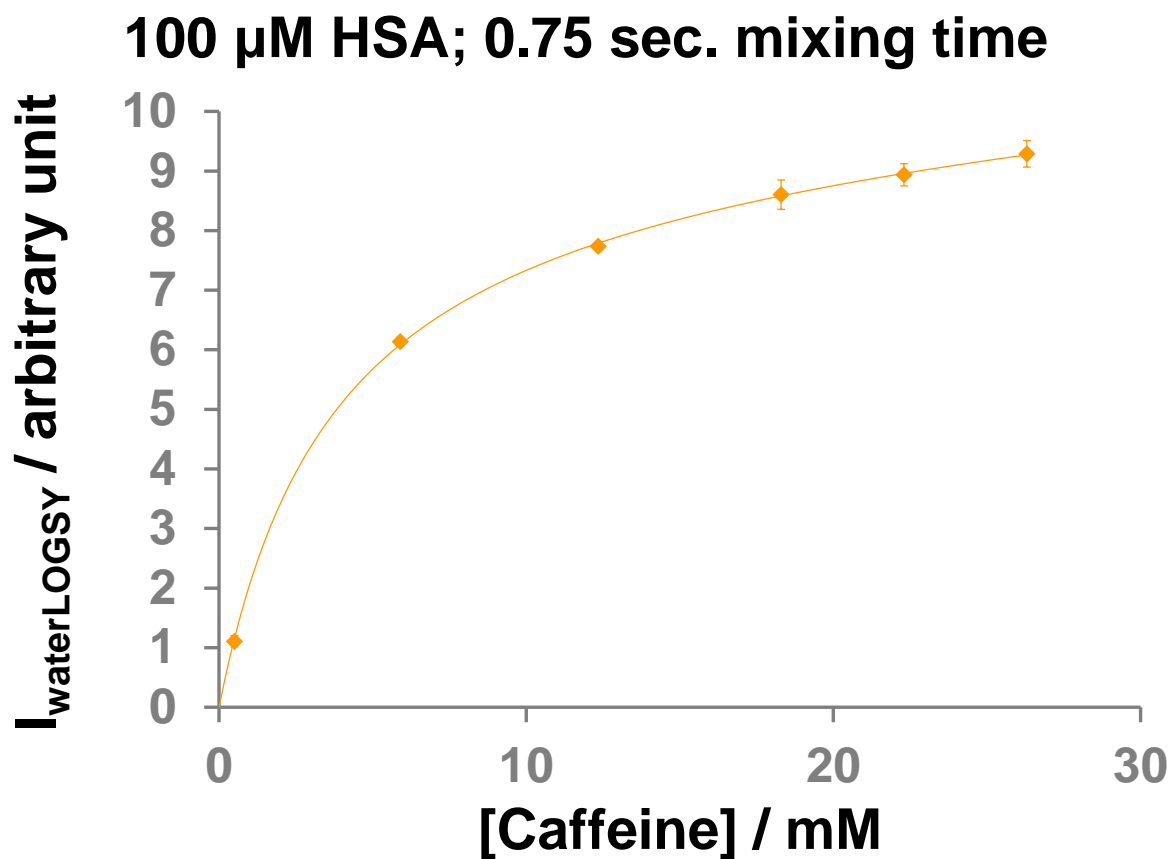


Supplementary Figure S22: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 0.25 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 25  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.5–26.3 mM caffeine (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was 3.3 mM  $\pm$  0.3 mM. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.

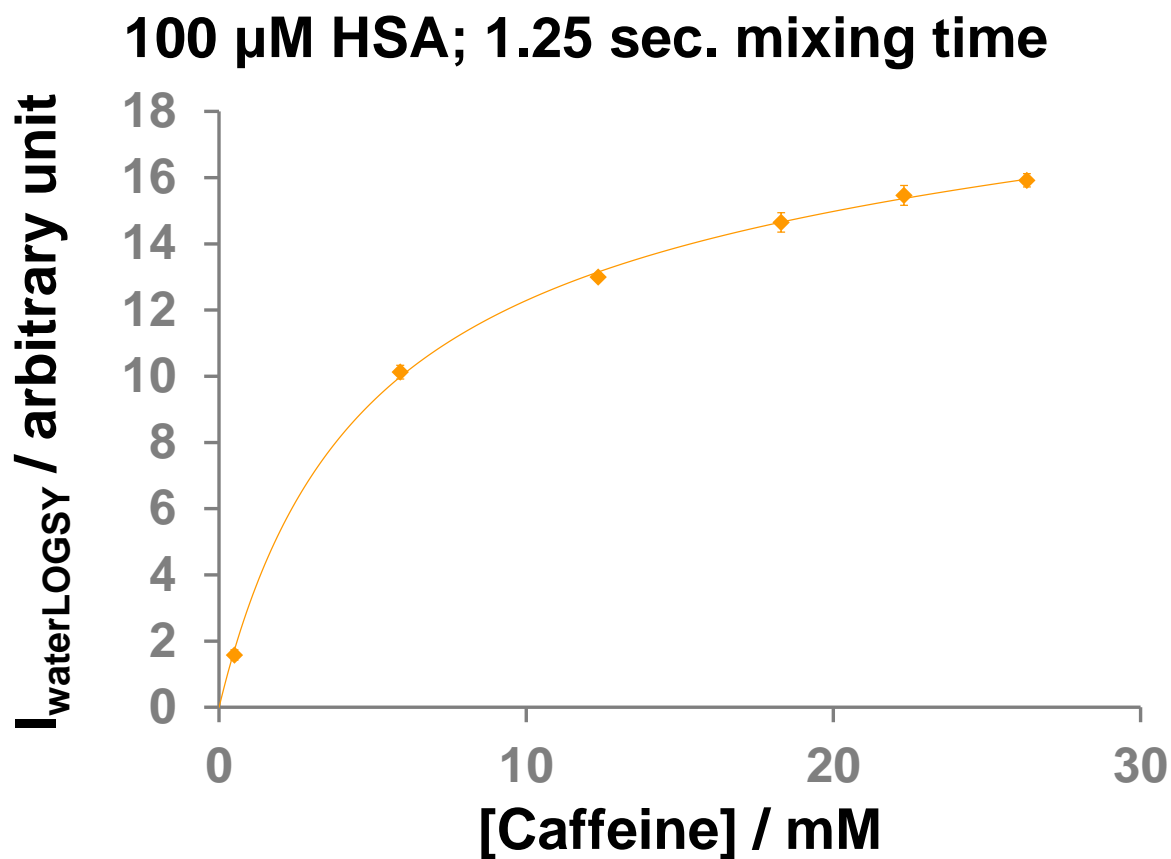


Supplementary Figure S23: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 0.50 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 100  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.5–26.3 mM caffeine (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90%  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and 10%  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ . The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was 3.4 mM  $\pm$  0.3 mM. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.

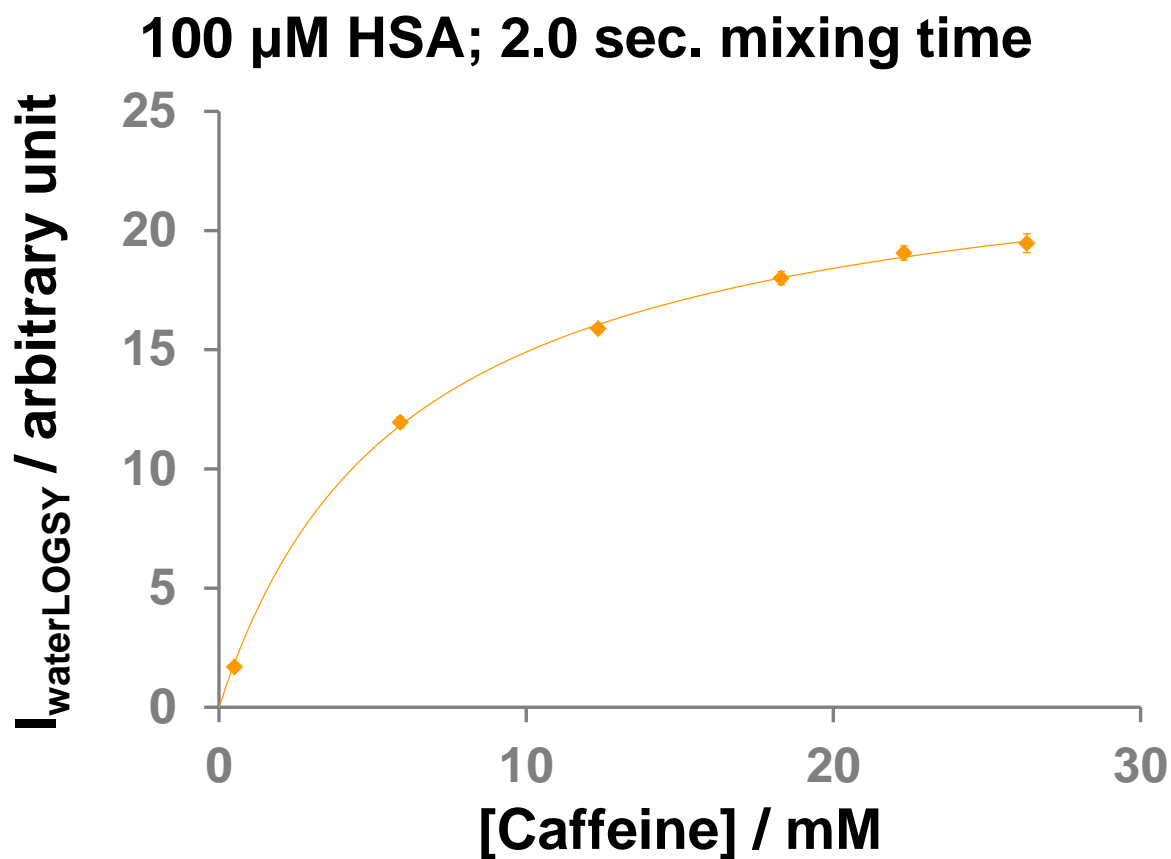




Supplementary Figure S24: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 0.75 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 100  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.5–26.3 mM caffeine (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90%  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and 10%  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ . The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was 3.7 mM  $\pm$  0.4 mM. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.

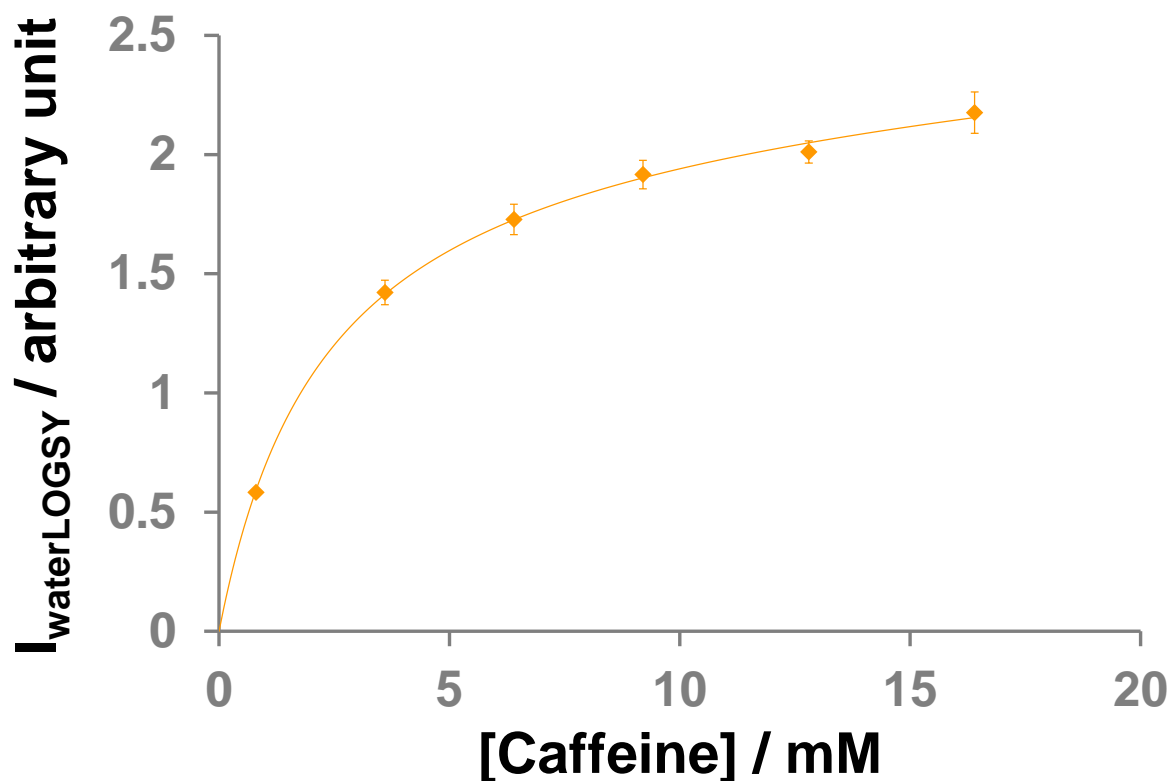


Supplementary Figure S25: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 1.25 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 100  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.5–26.3 mM caffeine (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was 4.5 mM  $\pm$  0.3 mM. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.

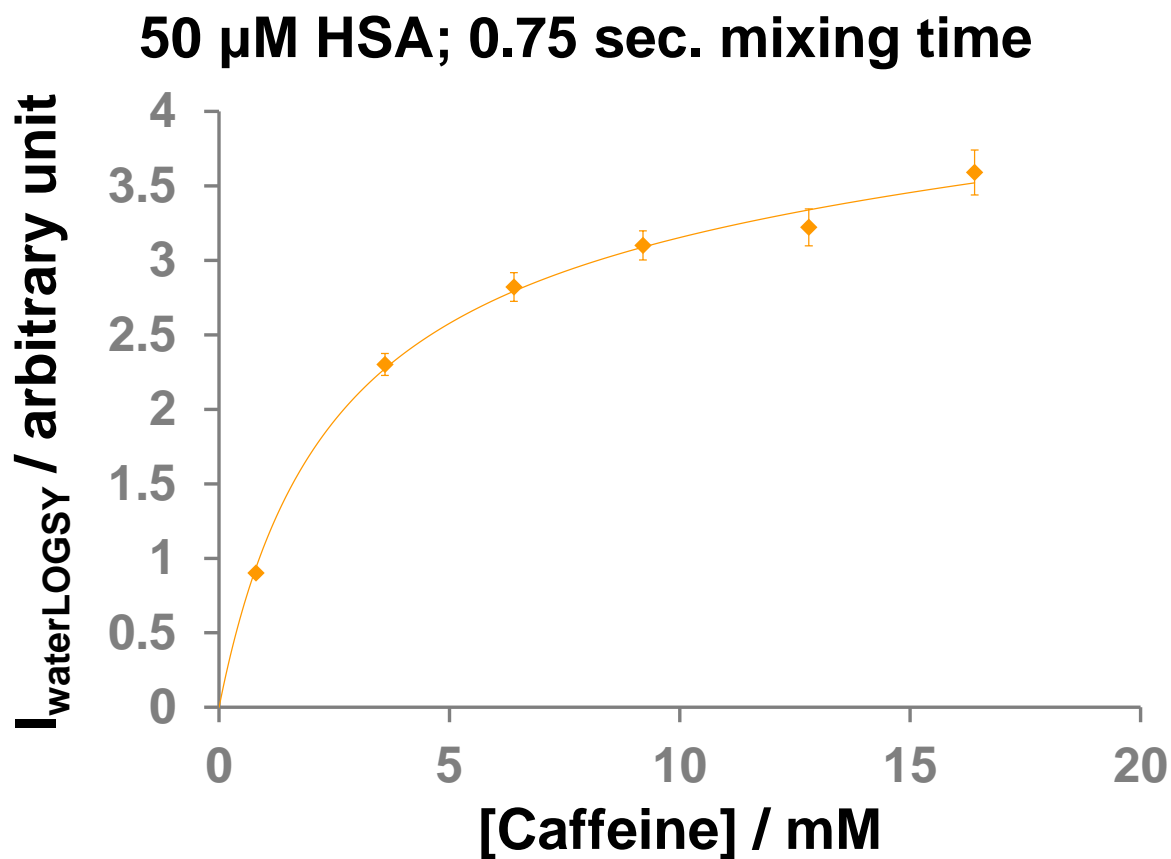


Supplementary Figure S26: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 2.0 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 100  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.5–26.3 mM caffeine (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was 5.5 mM  $\pm$  0.4 mM. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.

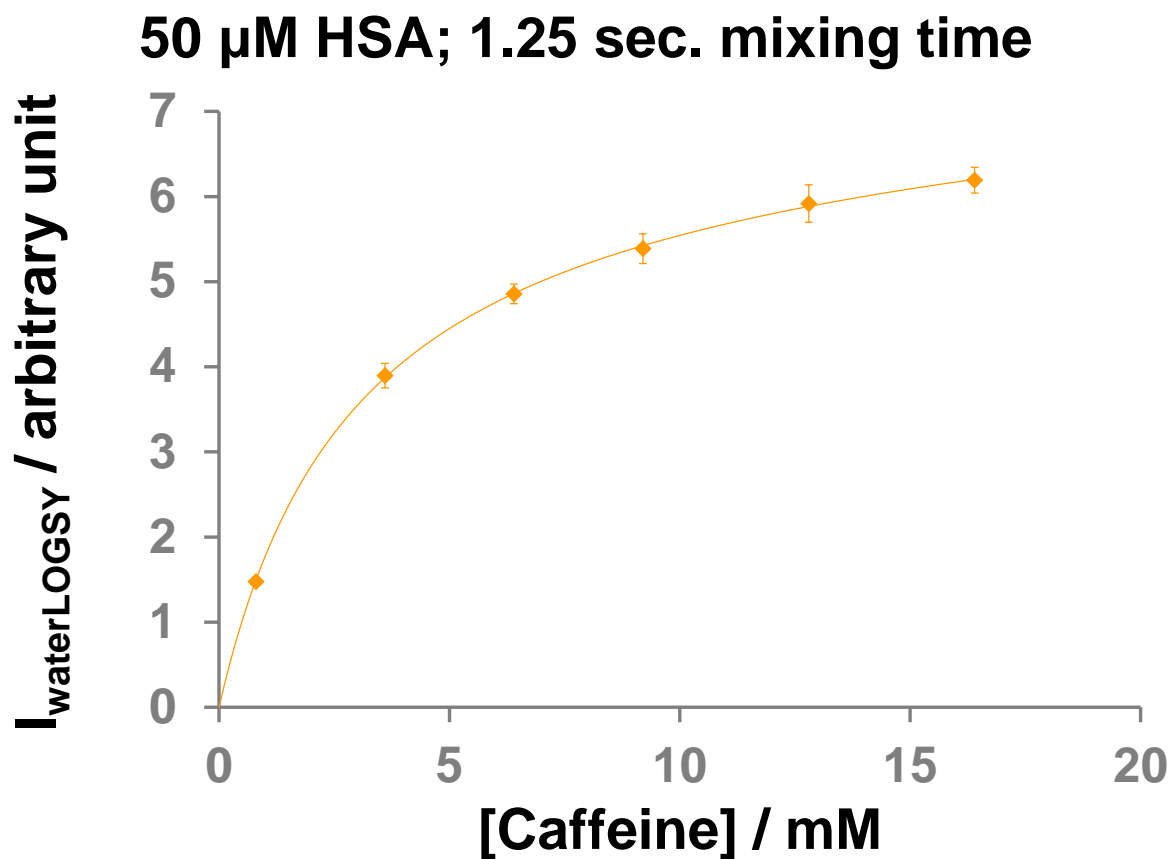
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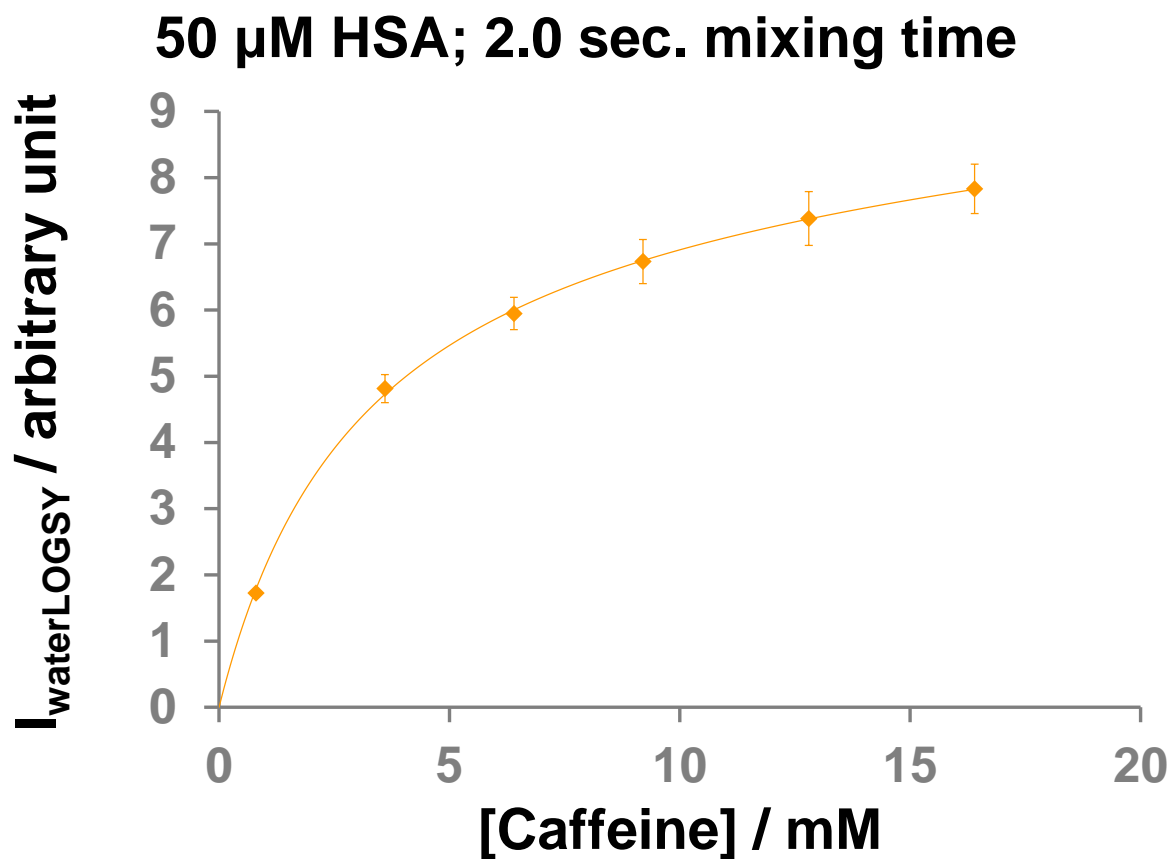
Supplementary Figure S27: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 0.5 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 50  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.8–16.4 mM caffeine (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was 2.3 mM  $\pm$  0.1 mM. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.



Supplementary Figure S28: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 0.75 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 50  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.8–16.4 mM caffeine (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90%  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and 10%  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ . The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was 2.4 mM  $\pm$  0.1 mM. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.

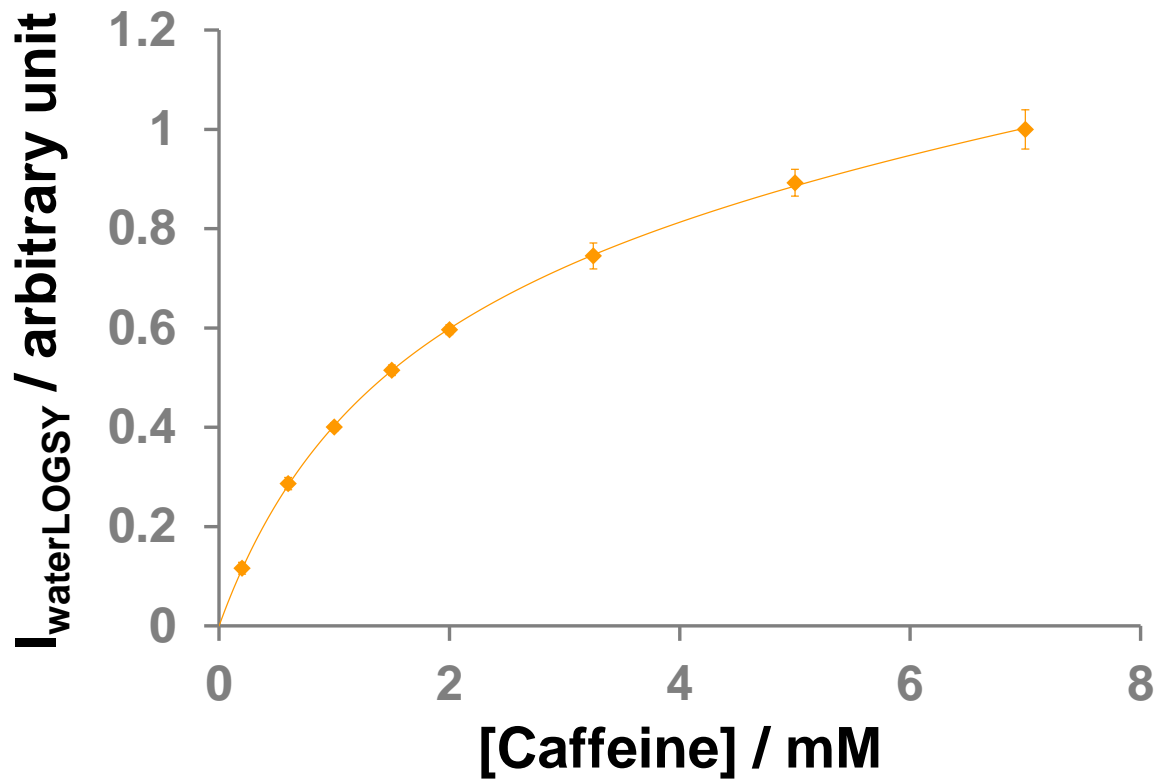


Supplementary Figure S29: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 1.25 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 50  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.8–16.4 mM caffeine (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90%  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and 10%  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ . The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was 2.9 mM  $\pm$  0.2 mM. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.



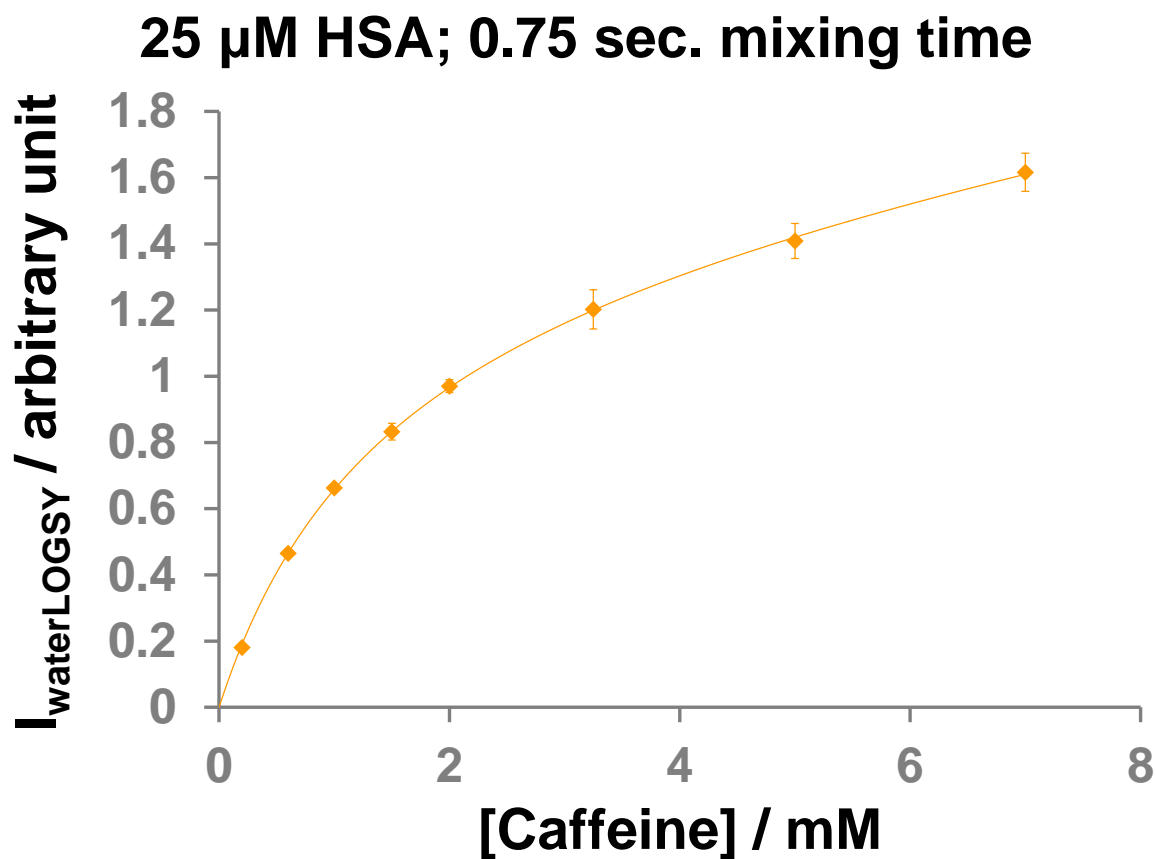
Supplementary Figure S30: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 2.0 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 50  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.8–16.4 mM caffeine (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was 3.1 mM  $\pm$  0.3 mM. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.

## 25 $\mu$ M HSA; 0.5 sec. mixing time

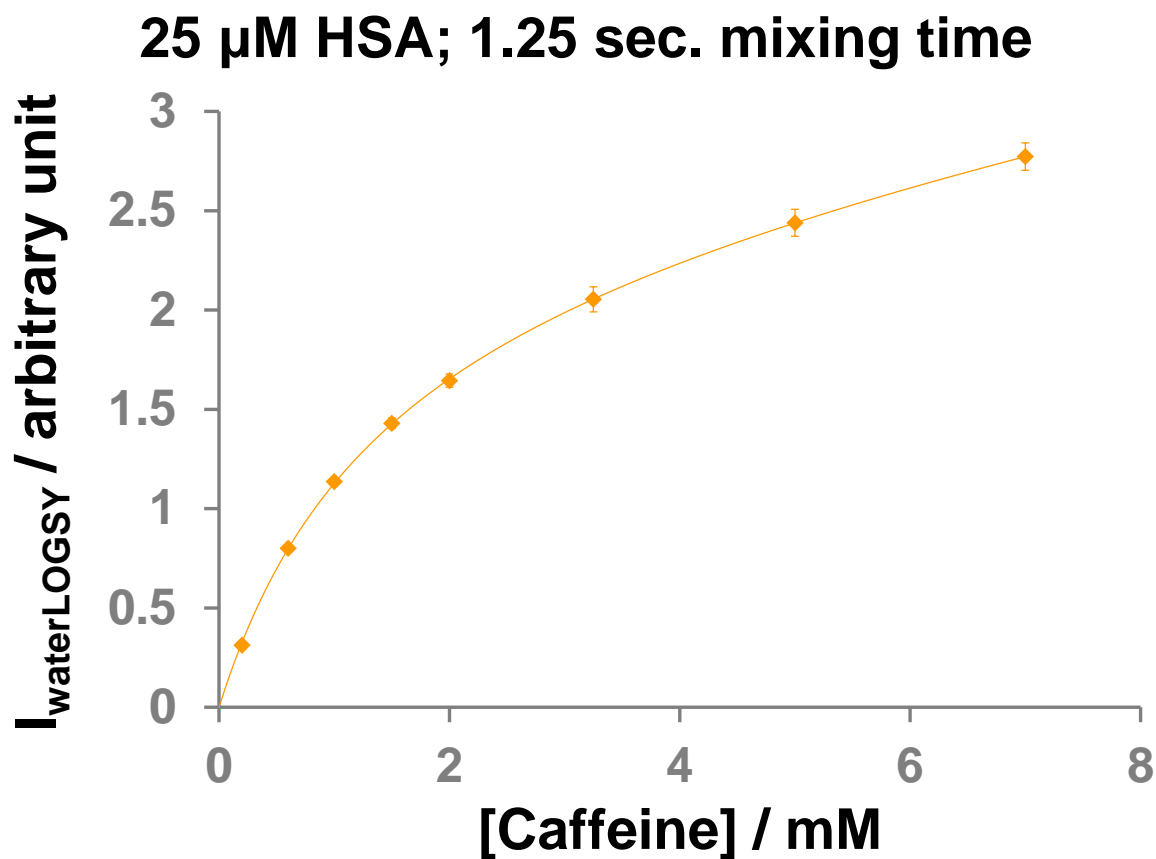


Supplementary Figure S31: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 0.5 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 25  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.2–7.0 mM caffeine (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{obs}$  was 1.6 mM  $\pm$  0.1 mM. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.

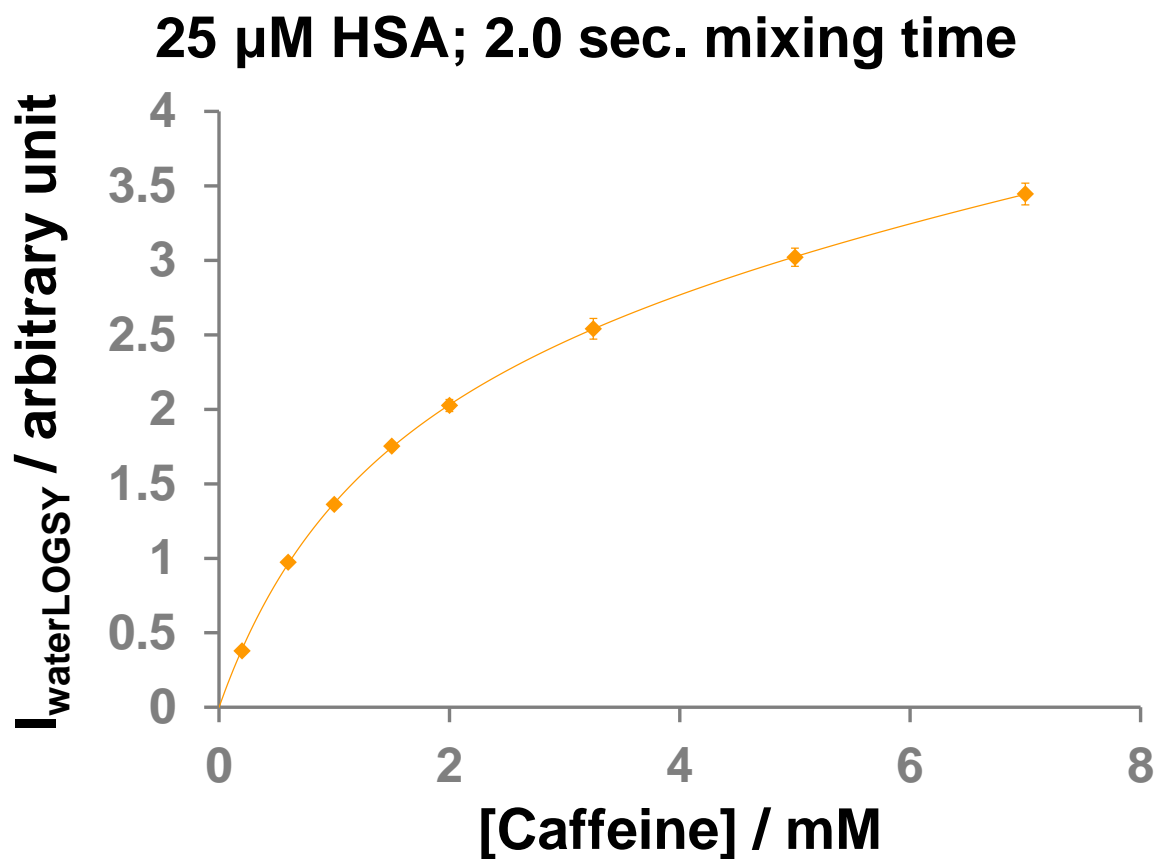




Supplementary Figure S32: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 0.75 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 25  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.2–7.0 mM caffeine (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was 1.5 mM  $\pm$  0.3 mM. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.

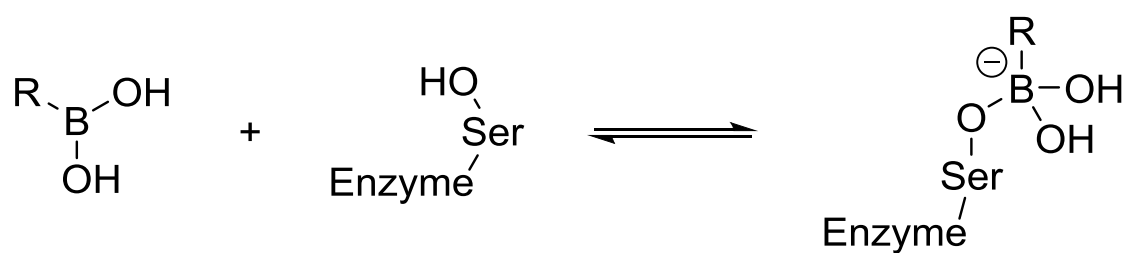


Supplementary Figure S33: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 1.25 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 25  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.2–7.0 mM caffeine (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was 1.4 mM  $\pm$  0.2 mM. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.

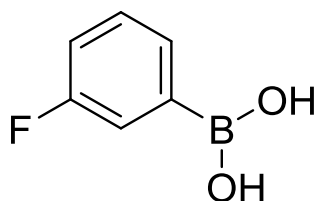


Supplementary Figure S34: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 2.0 seconds and the relaxation delay was 15 seconds. The system contained 25  $\mu$ M human serum albumin (HSA) and 0.2–7.0 mM caffeine (binder) in 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) at 90%  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and 10%  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ . The fitted  $K_{\text{D}}^{\text{obs}}$  was 1.5 mM  $\pm$  0.2 mM. The errors shown are the standard error from three separate measurements.

(a)

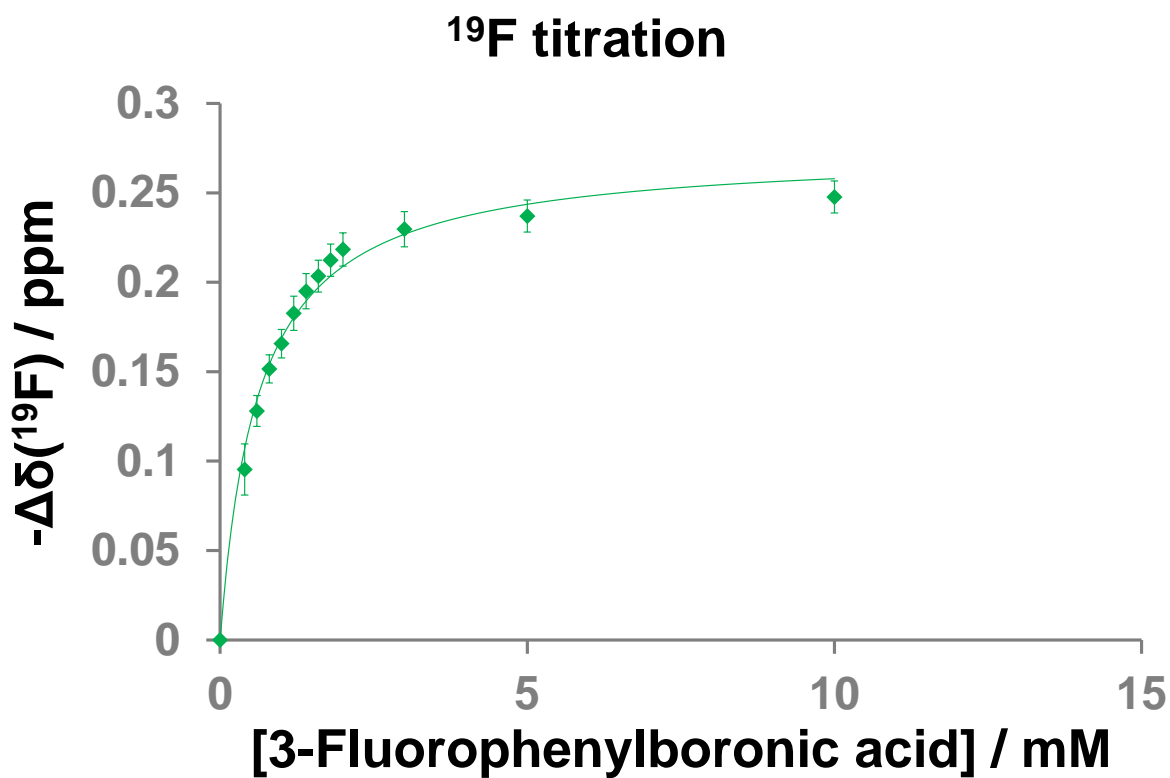


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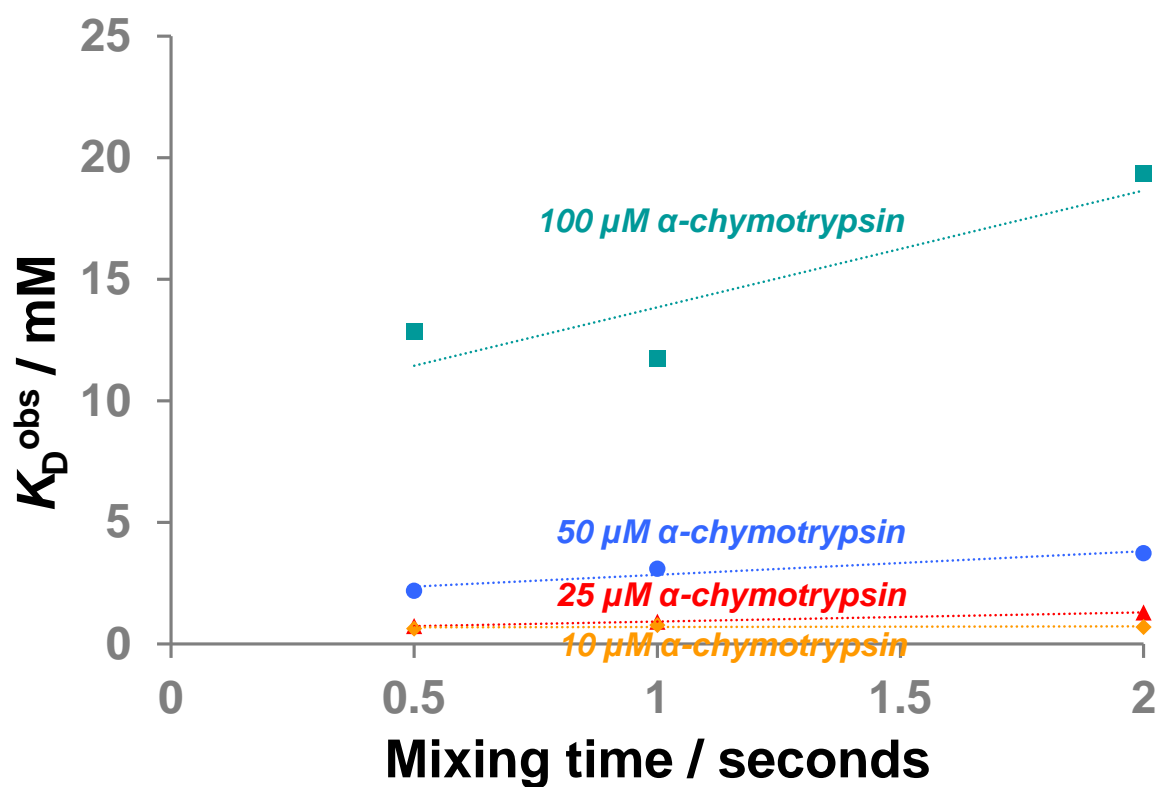


3-fluorophenylboronic acid

Supplementary Figure S35: (a)  $\alpha$ -Chymotrypsin, a serine protease, forms a reversible 1:1 covalent complex with boronic acid; (b) Structure of 3-fluorophenylboronic acid that was used as a model ligand system in this study. The doublet resonance of H6 was used for waterLOGSY analysis.

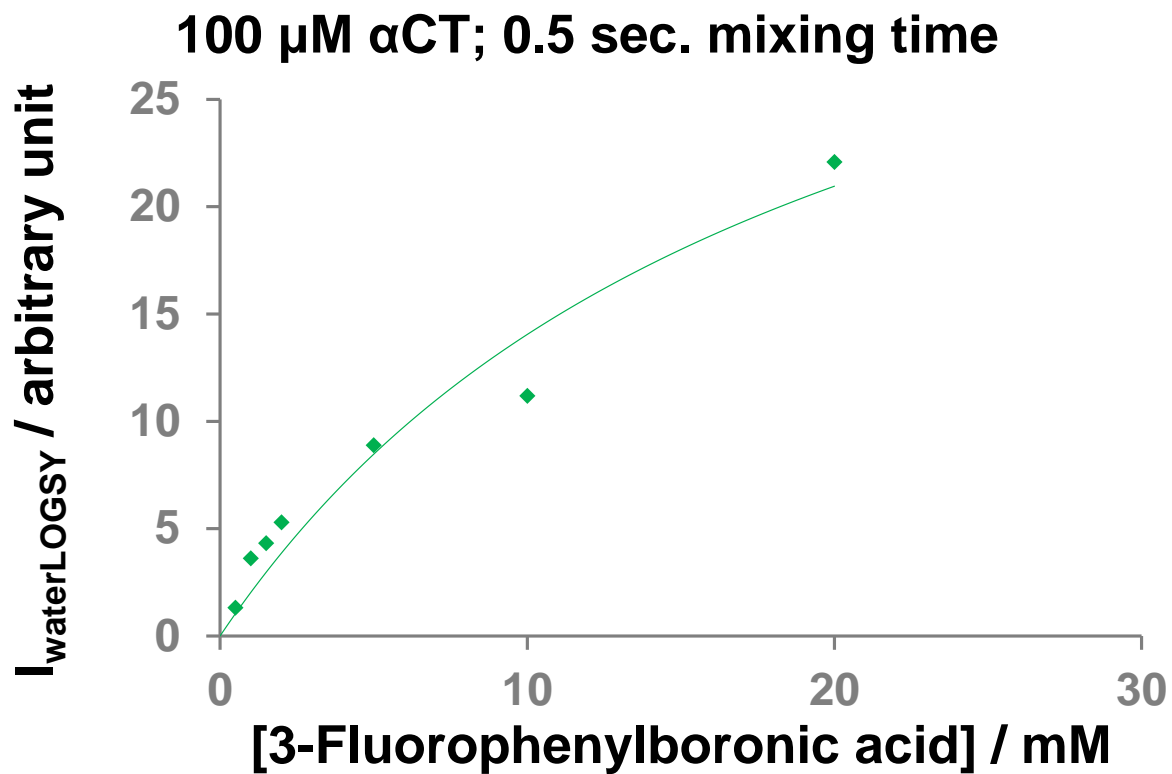


Supplementary Figure S36: Non-linear curve fitting to a binding isotherm between  $\alpha$ -chymotrypsin and 3-fluorophenylboronic acid by following changes in  $^{19}\text{F}$  chemical shift. Samples contained 100  $\mu\text{M}$   $\alpha$ -chymotrypsin and varying concentrations of 3-fluorophenylboronic acid (stock solution prepared in  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ) buffered in 100 mM MES (pH 6.5) in 90%  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and 10%  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ . A trace of trifluoroacetone was added to the sample for chemical shift reference at -87 ppm. The fitted  $K_D$  was  $630 \mu\text{M} \pm 60 \mu\text{M}$ . The errors shown are the standard error from three separate sample preparations.

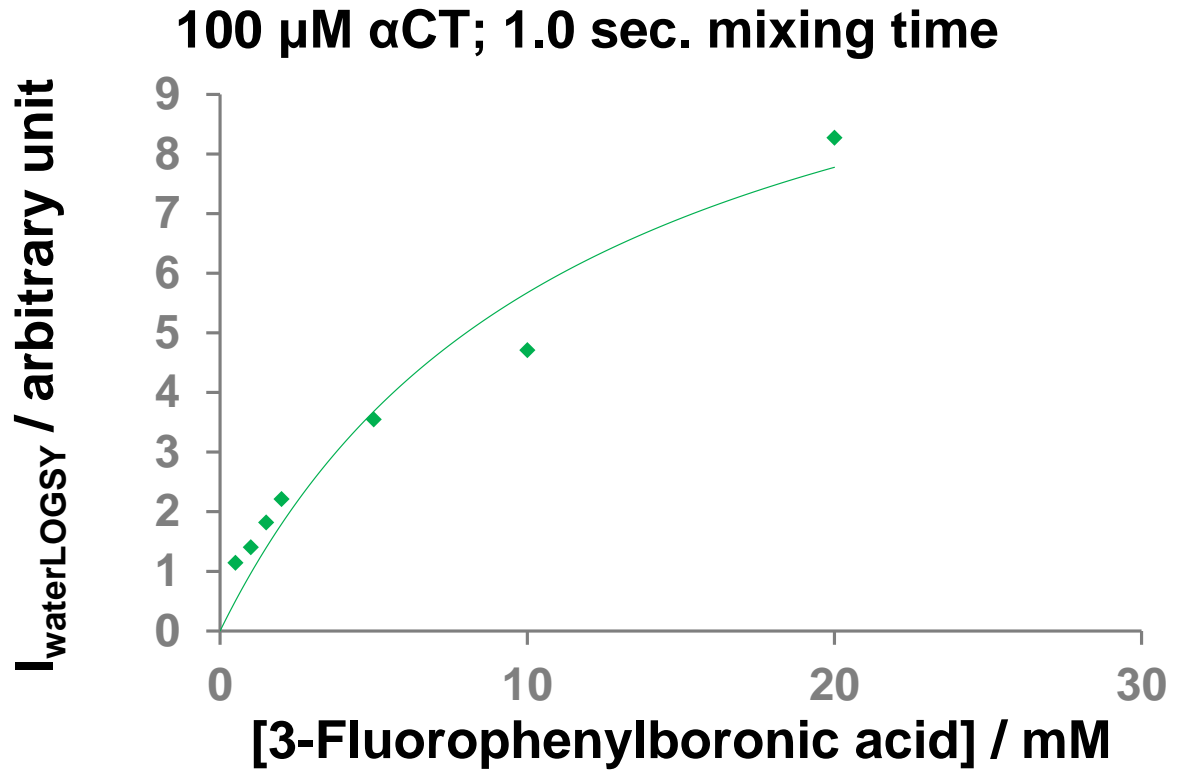


	10 μM α-chymotrypsin	25 μM α-chymotrypsin	50 μM α-chymotrypsin	100 μM α-chymotrypsin
Mixing time / s	$K_D^{obs}$ / mM	$K_D^{obs}$ / mM	$K_D^{obs}$ / mM	$K_D^{obs}$ / mM
0.5	~0.63	~0.74	~2.2	~13
1.0	~0.78	~0.92	~3.1	~12
2.0	~0.70	~1.3	~3.7	~19

Supplementary Figure S37: The correlation between observed  $K_D$  ( $K_D^{obs}$ ), mixing time and  $\alpha$ -chymotrypsin concentration for 3-fluorophenylboronic acid binding. The dotted lines are added to aid visualisation.

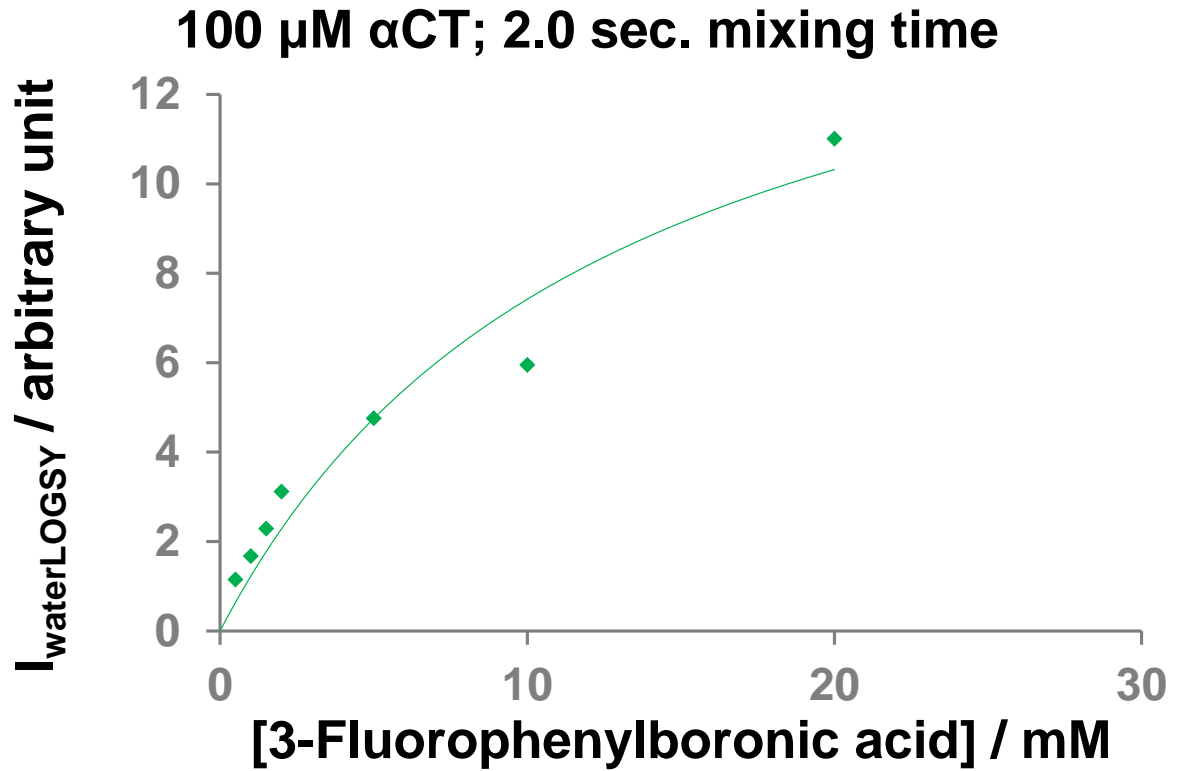


Supplementary Figure S38: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 0.5 seconds and the relaxation delay was 3 seconds. The system contained 100  $\mu$ M  $\alpha$ -chymotrypsin and varying concentrations of 3-fluorophenylboronic acid (binder) in 100 mM MES buffer (pH 6.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was ~19 mM.

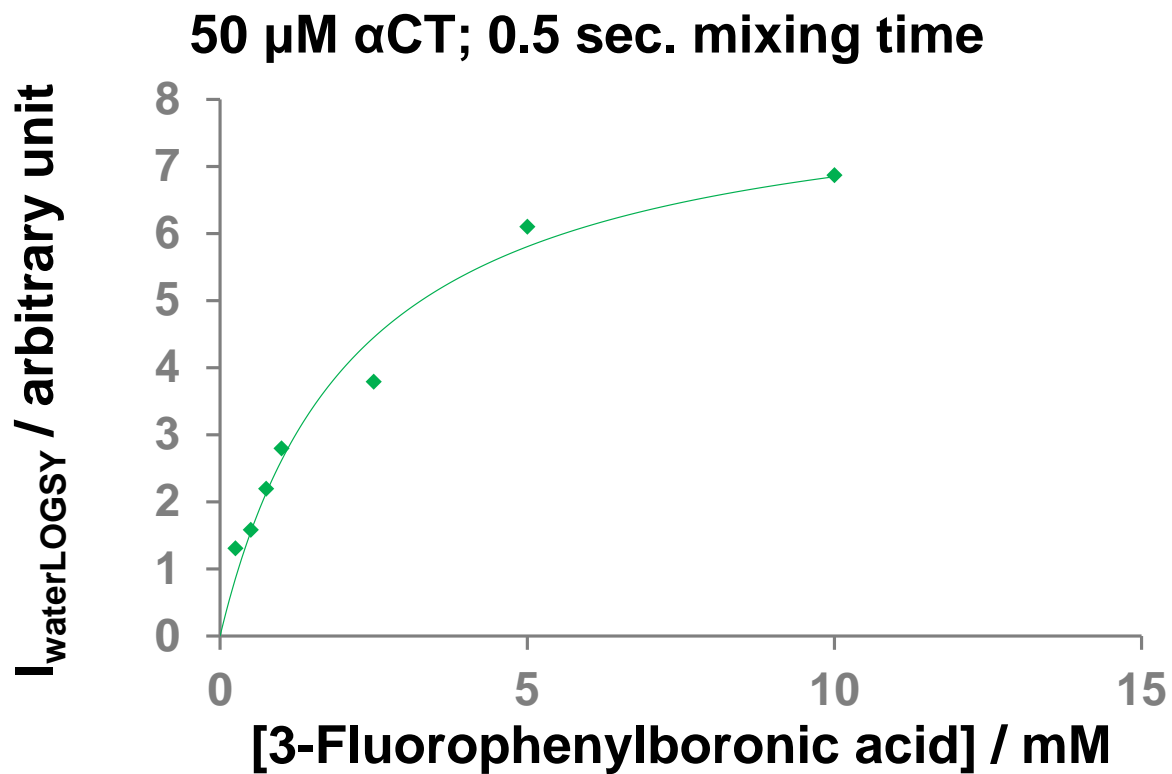


Supplementary Figure S39: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 1.0 seconds and the relaxation delay was 3 seconds. The system contained 100  $\mu\text{M}$   $\alpha$ -chymotrypsin and varying concentrations of 3-fluorophenylboronic acid (binder) in 100 mM MES buffer (pH 6.5) at 90%  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and 10%  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ . The fitted  $K_{\text{D}}^{\text{obs}}$  was  $\sim 12$  mM.

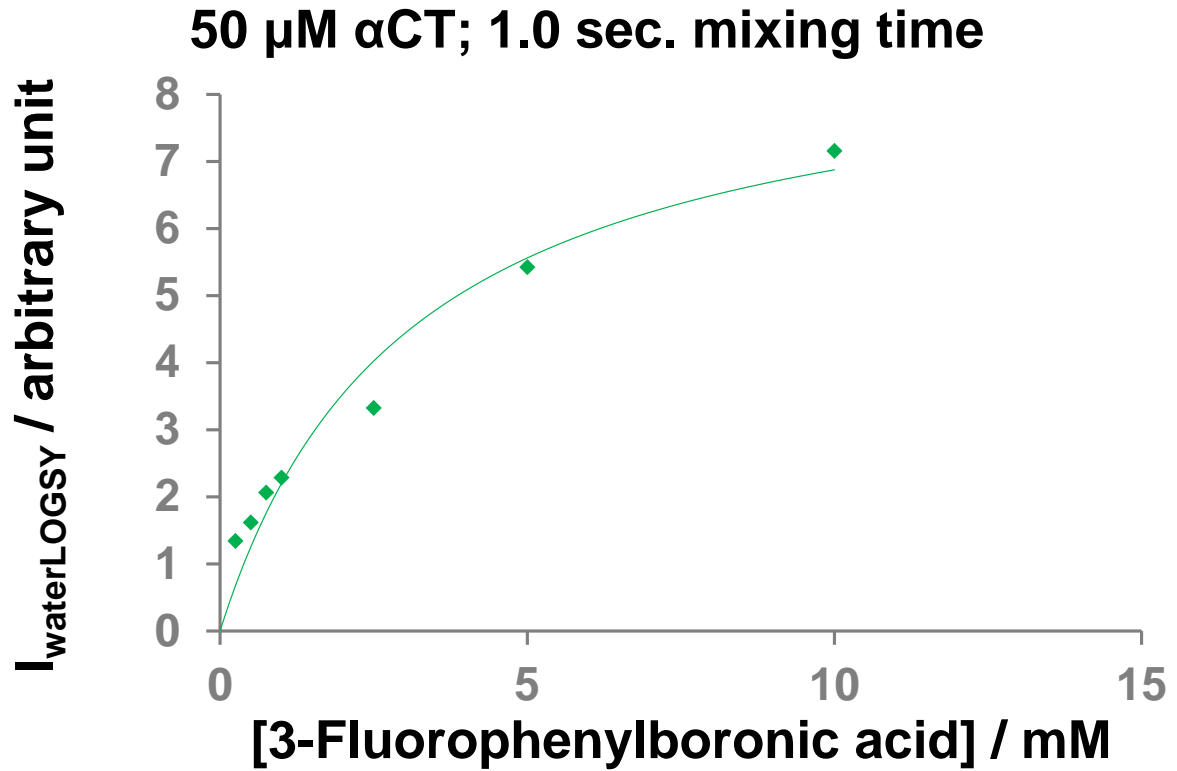




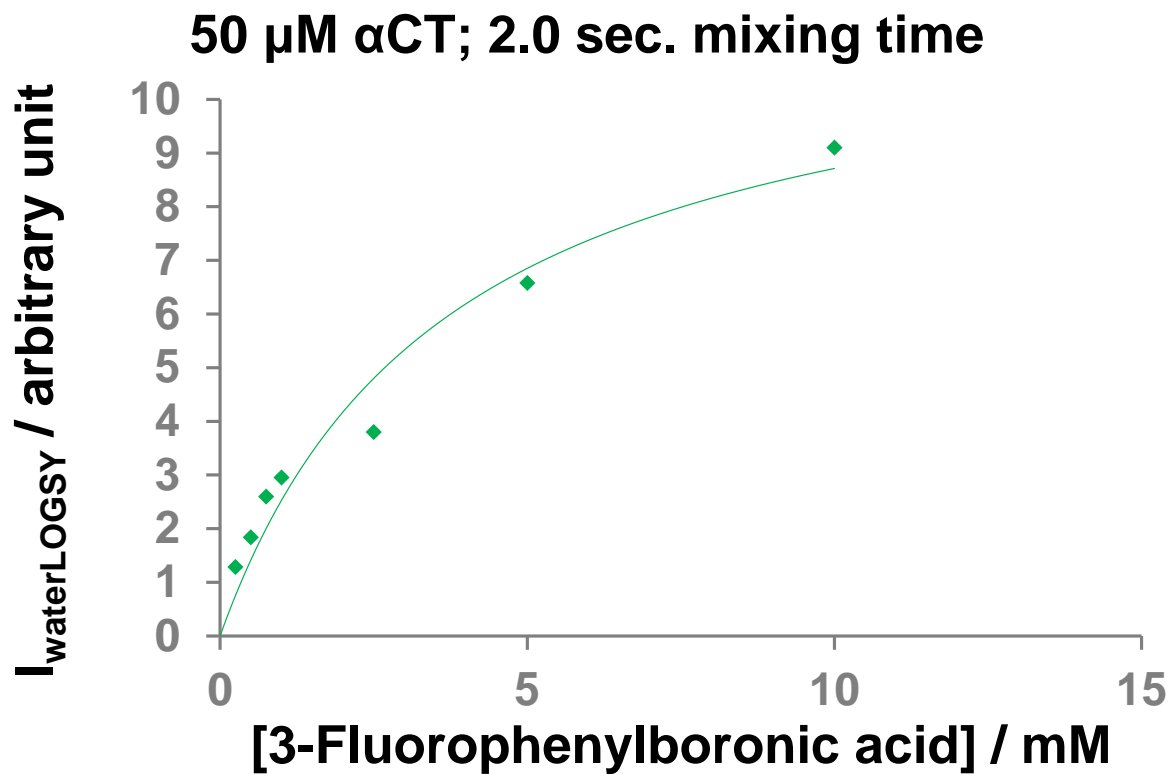
Supplementary Figure S40: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 2.0 seconds and the relaxation delay was 3 seconds. The system contained 100  $\mu\text{M}$   $\alpha$ -chymotrypsin and varying concentrations of 3-fluorophenylboronic acid (binder) in 100 mM MES buffer (pH 6.5) at 90%  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and 10%  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ . The fitted  $K_{\text{D}}^{\text{obs}}$  was  $\sim 13$  mM.



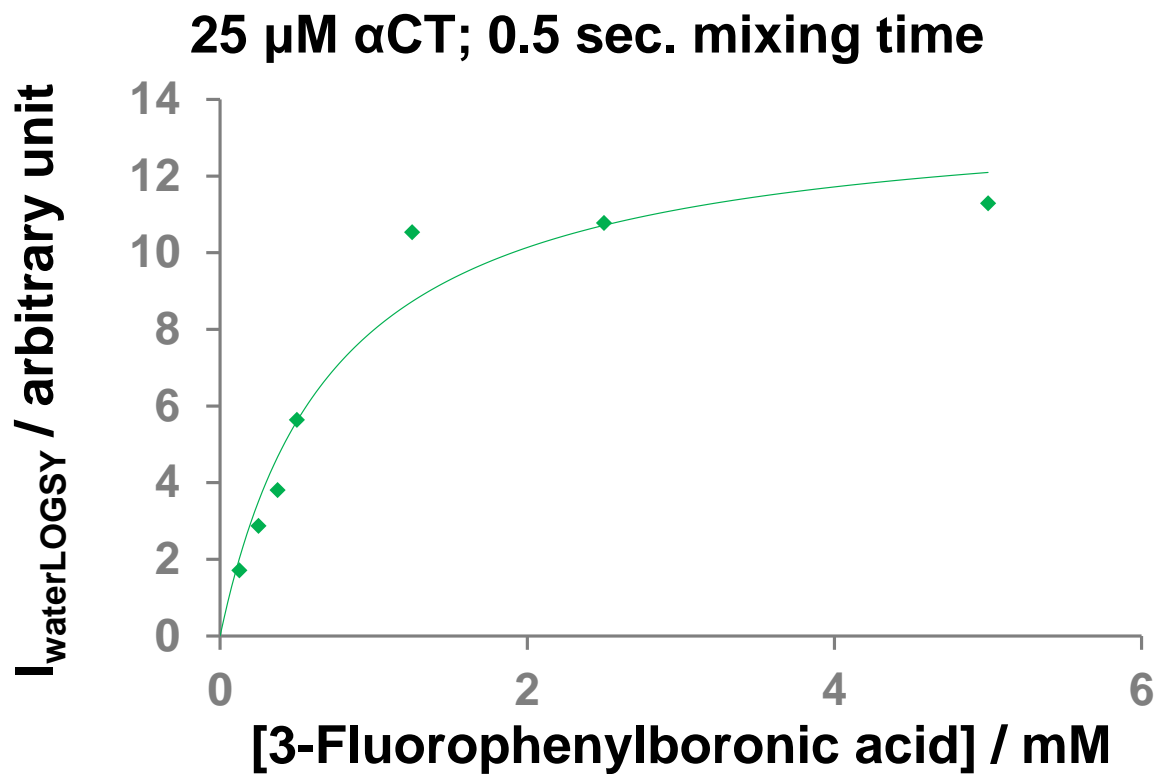
Supplementary Figure S41: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 0.5 seconds and the relaxation delay was 3 seconds. The system contained 50  $\mu$ M  $\alpha$ -chymotrypsin and varying concentrations of 3-fluorophenylboronic acid (binder) in 100 mM MES buffer (pH 6.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was  $\sim$ 2.2 mM.



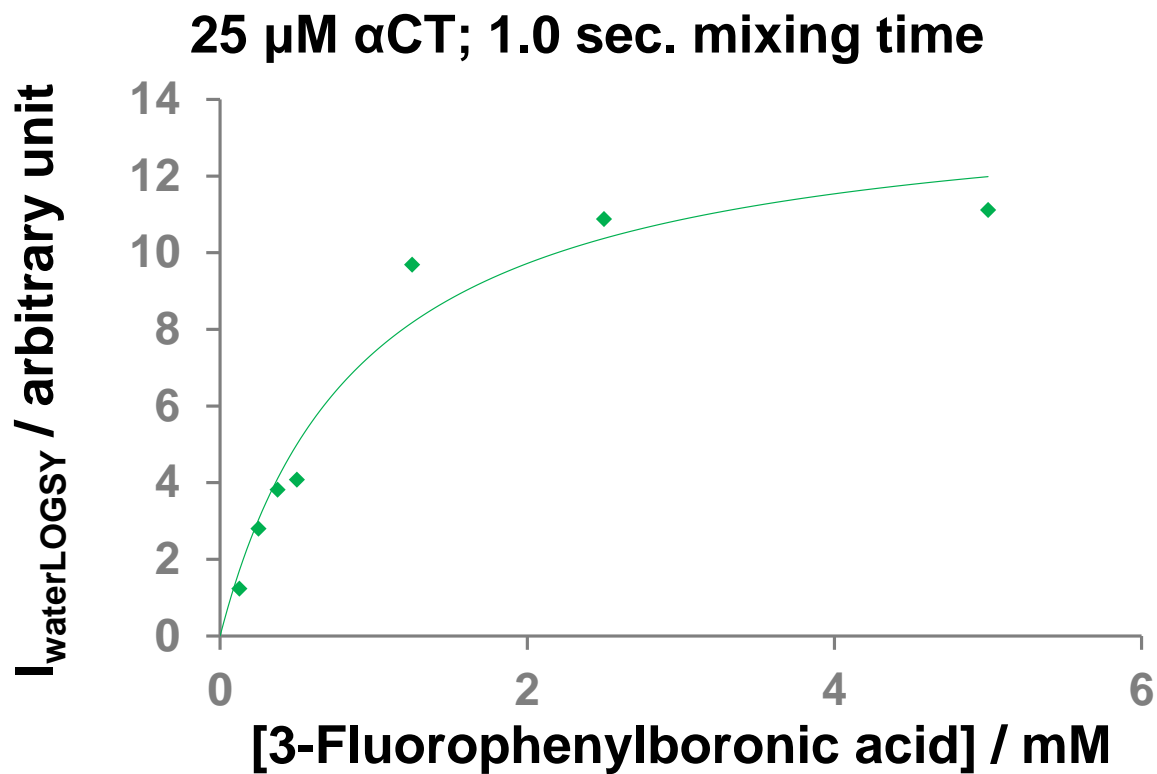
Supplementary Figure S42: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 1.0 seconds and the relaxation delay was 3 seconds. The system contained 50  $\mu$ M  $\alpha$ -chymotrypsin and varying concentrations of 3-fluorophenylboronic acid (binder) in 100 mM MES buffer (pH 6.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was  $\sim$ 3.1 mM.



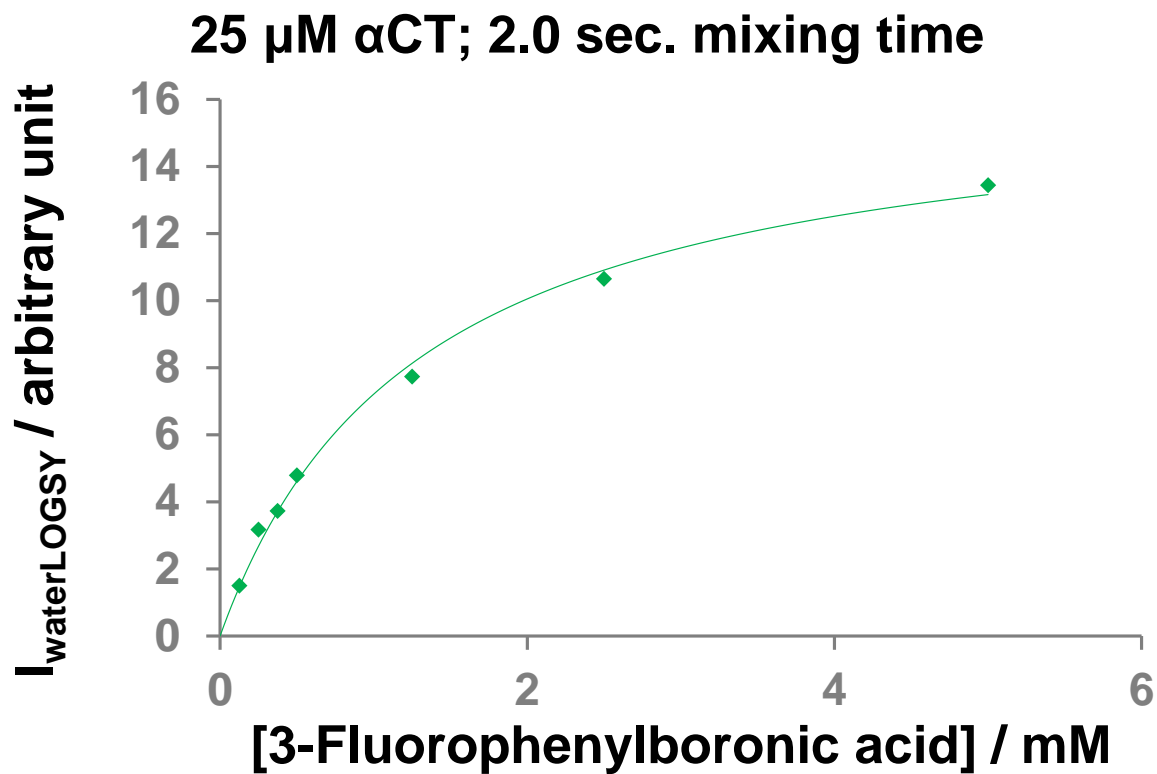
Supplementary Figure S43: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 2.0 seconds and the relaxation delay was 3 seconds. The system contained 50  $\mu$ M  $\alpha$ -chymotrypsin and varying concentrations of 3-fluorophenylboronic acid (binder) in 100 mM MES buffer (pH 6.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was  $\sim$ 3.7 mM.



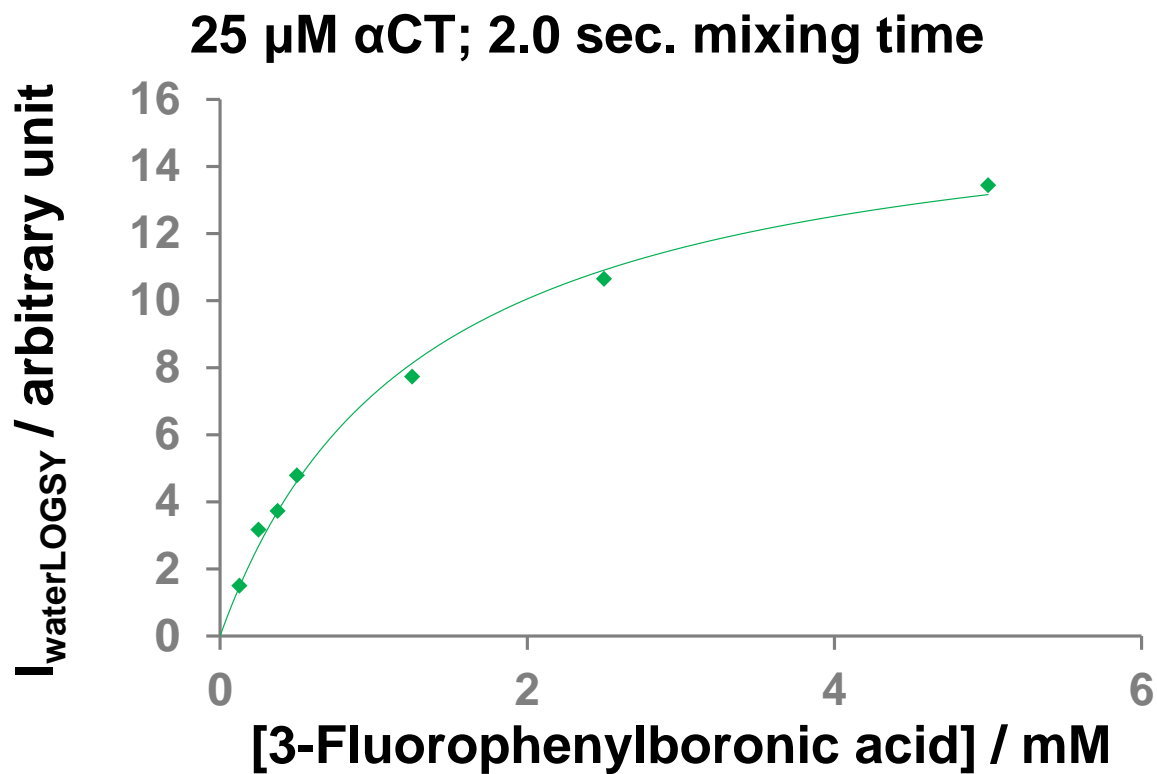
Supplementary Figure S44: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 0.5 seconds and the relaxation delay was 3 seconds. The system contained 25  $\mu$ M  $\alpha$ -chymotrypsin and varying concentrations of 3-fluorophenylboronic acid (binder) in 100 mM MES buffer (pH 6.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was  $\sim$ 740  $\mu$ M.



Supplementary Figure S45: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 1.0 seconds and the relaxation delay was 3 seconds. The system contained 25  $\mu$ M  $\alpha$ -chymotrypsin and varying concentrations of 3-fluorophenylboronic acid (binder) in 100 mM MES buffer (pH 6.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was  $\sim$ 920  $\mu$ M.

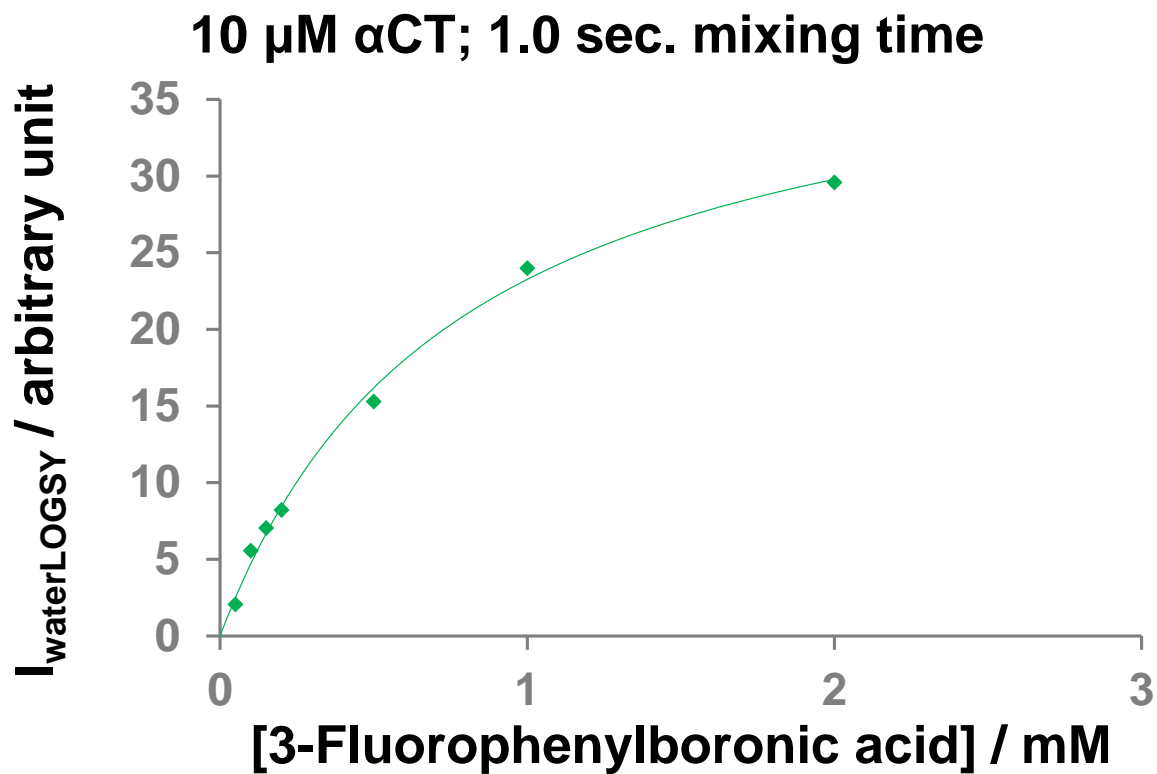


Supplementary Figure S46: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 2.0 seconds and the relaxation delay was 3 seconds. The system contained 25  $\mu$ M  $\alpha$ -chymotrypsin and varying concentrations of 3-fluorophenylboronic acid (binder) in 100 mM MES buffer (pH 6.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was  $\sim$ 1.3 mM.

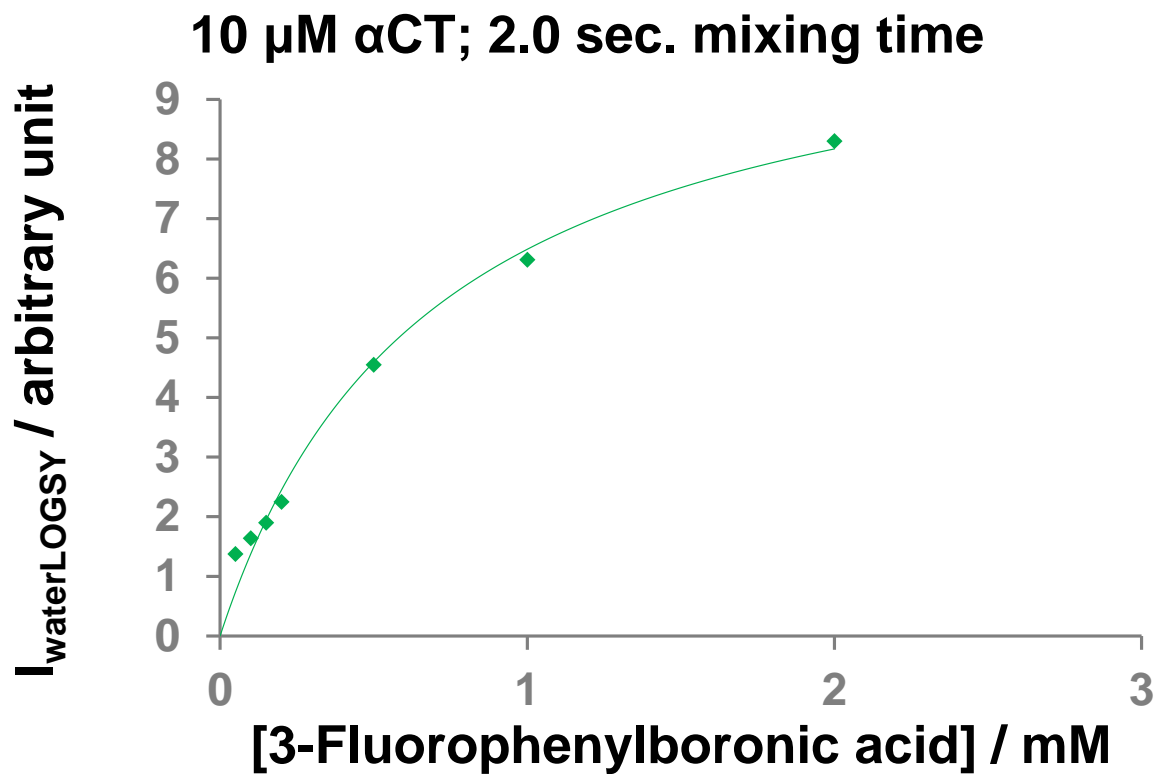


Supplementary Figure S47: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 0.5 seconds and the relaxation delay was 3 seconds. The system contained 10  $\mu$ M  $\alpha$ -chymotrypsin and varying concentrations of 3-fluorophenylboronic acid (binder) in 100 mM MES buffer (pH 6.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was  $\sim$ 630  $\mu$ M.





Supplementary Figure S48: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 1.0 seconds and the relaxation delay was 3 seconds. The system contained 10  $\mu$ M  $\alpha$ -chymotrypsin and varying concentrations of 3-fluorophenylboronic acid (binder) in 100 mM MES buffer (pH 6.5) at 90% H<sub>2</sub>O and 10% D<sub>2</sub>O. The fitted  $K_D^{\text{obs}}$  was  $\sim$ 780  $\mu$ M.



Supplementary Figure S49: Non-linear curve fitting to a corrected waterLOGSY binding isotherm. The mixing time was 2.0 seconds and the relaxation delay was 3 seconds. The system contained 10  $\mu\text{M}$   $\alpha$ -chymotrypsin and varying concentrations of 3-fluorophenylboronic acid (binder) in 100 mM MES buffer (pH 6.5) at 90%  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and 10%  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ . The fitted  $K_{\text{D}}^{\text{obs}}$  was  $\sim 700 \mu\text{M}$ .