

## Supporting Information for

# A prospective compound screening contest identified broader inhibitors for Sirtuin 1

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# 1. Experimental procedures

## A. Expression and purification of human SIRT1 protein.

Recombinant truncated version of human SIRT1 enzyme was expressed in *Escherichia coli* M15 cells and purified as described below. Plasmid construct pQE-80-SIRT1 for the production of hSIRT1 was a gift from John Denu obtained through Addgene (<https://www.addgene.org>, Addgene plasmid #13735). Construction of the plasmid and purification of the protein was previously described.<sup>1</sup> The construct encodes amino acid sequence of human Sirtuin 1 (NCBI Reference Sequence: NP\_036370) with amino acids residues 6 to 83 deleted and a six-histidine tag sequence introduced at the amino terminus to facilitate protein purification. As a result of cloning manipulations, the recombinant protein (689 amino acids, calculated molecular mass 76,301 Da) also contains 6 extraneous amino acid residues bracketing the His-tag and 8 additional amino acids added at the carboxy-terminus (Figure S1).

In a typical expression experiment, 20 mL of LB media containing 100 µg/mL ampicillin and 50 µg/mL kanamycin were inoculated with a single colony of *E. coli* M15 cells<sup>2</sup> transformed with pQE-80-SIRT1 plasmid picked up from an LB agar plate containing 100 µg/mL ampicillin and 50 µg/mL kanamycin. The culture was grown at 37 °C with shaking at 250 rpm overnight (Innova 4330, New Brunswick Scientific). This overnight culture was used to inoculate 1 L of LB medium supplemented with ampicillin (100 mg/L) and kanamycin (50 mg/L). The culture was further grown at 37 °C with shaking at 250 rpm to the mid log-phase (OD<sub>600</sub>=0.6), at which point the shaker temperature was lowered to 20-22 °C and cells were incubated with 250 rpm shaking for an additional 1 h. Protein expression was induced by addition of isopropyl β-D-1-thiogalactopyranoside (IPTG) to 0.5 mM final concentration. After ~12 h of cultivation, the cells were harvested by centrifugation in 500 mL tubes using Beckman Coulter Avanti J-E Centrifuge with JA-10 rotor (7,000 g at 4 °C for 10 min). The cell pellet was resuspended in 50 mL of lysis buffer per 1 L culture and the cells were disrupted by ultrasonic disintegration in pulse mode (5 min pulse/5 min rest on ice, 6 repeats) using Branson sonifier 250 (duty cycle – 45%, output control setting – 3). The lysis buffer contained 25 mM Tris HCl pH 8.0, 0.5 M NaCl, 10 mM imidazole, 3 mM β-mercaptoethanol, 5% glycerol and was supplemented with the cocktail of protease inhibitors (1 mM phenylmethylsulphonyl fluoride, 10 µM leupeptin, 1 µM pepstatin, 10 µM aprotinin). After sonication, the lysate was supplemented with bovine pancreatic DNase I (final concentration 20 µg/mL) and kept on ice for 20-30 min. Cell debris was removed from the sonicated lysate by centrifugation in 35 mL tubes at 25,000 g for 10 min at +4 °C using Beckman Coulter Avanti J-E Centrifuge with JA-20 rotor. Cleared lysate was sequentially passed through cellulose

acetate/cellulose nitrate membrane syringe filters (Millipore) with 1.2  $\mu\text{m}$  and 0.45  $\mu\text{m}$  pores to remove residual particulates before chromatography.

Chromatographic purification was carried out at +4 °C in a batch-wise manner. Slurry of 1.5 mL of HisPur™ Ni-NTA Resin (Thermo Scientific, Cat. 88221) equilibrated with the lysis buffer was added to the clarified cell lysate and incubated at 4 °C with gentle rotation for 1 h. The suspension was then loaded on a 10-mL disposable column (Clontech Takara Bio) and the resin allowed to settle by gravity prior to washing it consecutively with 10 mL of the lysis buffer and then with 20 mL of wash buffer (25 mM Tris-HCl pH 7.5, 0.3 M NaCl, 25 mM imidazole, 5% v/v glycerol and 3 mM  $\beta$ -mercaptoethanol). SIRT1 protein was eluted from the column with 15 mL of elution buffer (25 mM Tris-HCl pH 7.5, 0.1 M NaCl, 160 mM imidazole, 5% v/v glycerol and 3 mM  $\beta$ -mercaptoethanol). The fractions containing SIRT1 were identified by 10% SDS-PAGE analysis, combined and concentrated to 6 mL using centrifugal ultrafiltration with a molecular weight cutoff of 50,000 (Amicon Ultra Centrifugal Filter Device) according to the manufacture's instruction. The concentrated protein pool was subjected to gel-filtration chromatography (Bio-Rad, Econo-Pac 10 DG desalting columns, 3 mL load per column) and collected in the final storage buffer (20 mM Tris-HCl pH 7.5, 100 mM NaCl, 10% Glycerol, 5 mM dithiothreitol). Then the concentration of purified protein was determined spectrophotometrically using the theoretical extinction coefficient at 280 nm ( $40340 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ). The final preparation was analyzed by 10% SDS-PAGE (Figure S2) and stored at -80 °C in 1 mL aliquots after flash-freezing in liquid nitrogen. In agreement with the published technical data from various commercial suppliers of recombinant SIRT1 (R&D Systems, Origene, Active Motif, Lifespan Biosciences) the protein has an aberrantly low mobility in SDS-PAGE migrating between 100 kDa and 140 kDa protein markers.

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Figure S1. Amino acid sequence of His-tagged, truncated form of human SIRT 1 (SIRT1.1).<sup>1</sup> Extraneous amino acid residues are highlighted in grey, the point of deletion of 78 amino acids is indicated by the arrow.

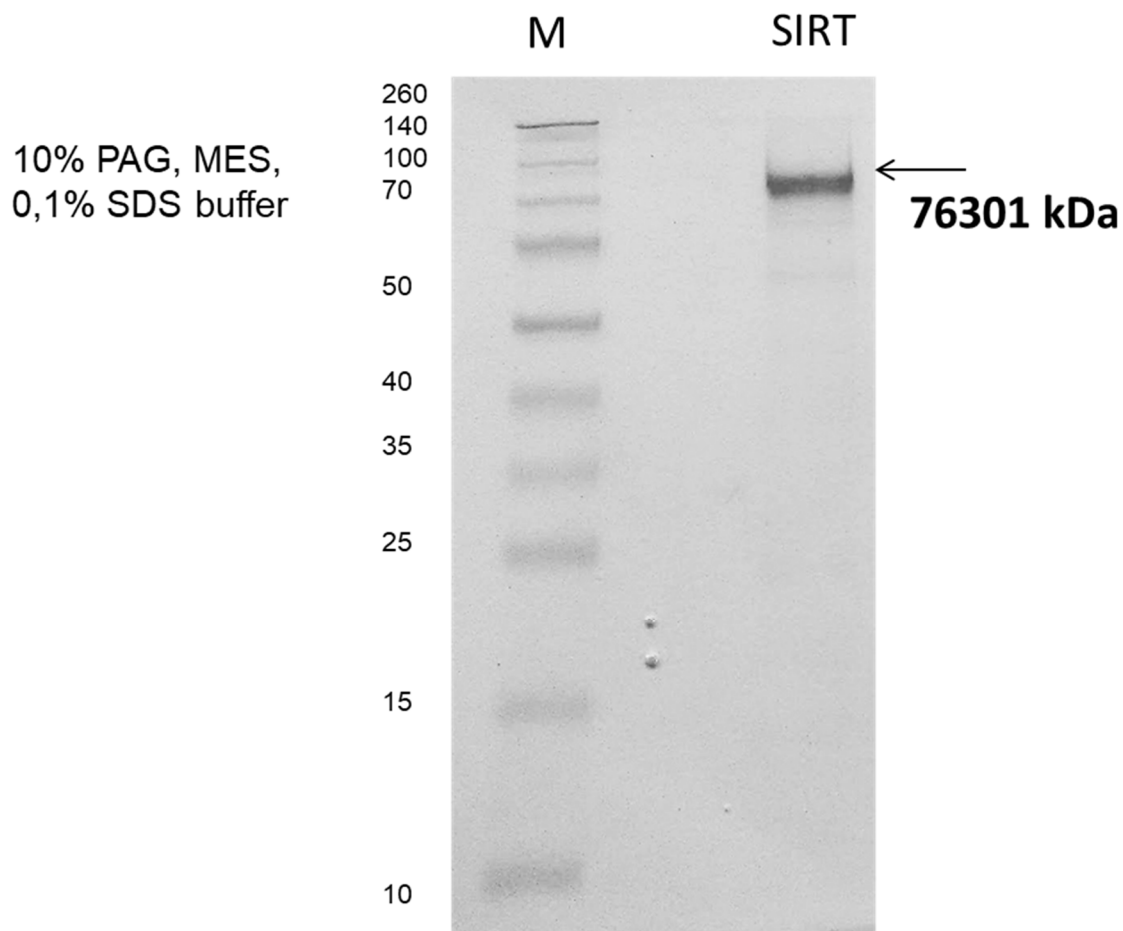


Figure S2. SDS-PAGE (reducing conditions) analysis of purified SIRT1.

## B. Setup and validation of Protein Thermal Shift Assay.

All tested compounds were obtained from the screening compound collection of Enamine Ltd. (Kiev, Ukraine). Stock solutions of the tested compounds were prepared at 10 mM in 100% DMSO and were stored at  $-20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  until use. All thermal shift assay (TSA) experiments with SIRT1 protein were performed using ViiA<sup>TM</sup>7 real-time PCR System equipped with 384-well heat block (Applied Biosystems, USA). General TSA methodology was adopted from the literature<sup>3-5</sup> and experimentally modified in order to optimize conditions for measuring SIRT1 melting temperature shifts upon interaction with small molecules. To define the optimal buffer composition for the TSA procedure, a matrix of common buffers combined on a 96-well plate (Figure S3) was tested in thermal melt experiment on a 384-well plate (each buffer composition in quadruplicate). In addition, each buffer composition shown on Figure S3 was tested at two different buffering component concentrations, as listed in Table S1, resulting in two 384-well plate buffer screening experiments and the total of 192 different buffer compositions tested.

		Phosphate buffers			Acetate buffer		MES		HEPES		Tris		
		1	2	3	pH 4	pH 5	pH 5,5	pH 6,5	pH 7	pH7,5	pH 7,5	pH 8	pH 8,5
Phosphate pH 6	A	+NaCl 50mM	+NaCl 150mM	+NaCl 300mM	+NaCl 50mM	+NaCl 50mM	+NaCl 50mM	+NaCl 50mM	+NaCl 50mM	+NaCl 50mM	+NaCl 50mM	+NaCl 50mM	+NaCl 50mM
Phosphate pH 6,5	B	+NaCl 50mM	+NaCl 150mM	+NaCl 300mM	+NaCl 150mM	+NaCl 150mM	+NaCl 150mM	+NaCl 150mM	+NaCl 150mM	+NaCl 150mM	+NaCl 150mM	+NaCl 150mM	+NaCl 150mM
Phosphate pH 7	C	+NaCl 50mM	+NaCl 150mM	+NaCl 300mM	+NaCl 300mM	+NaCl 300mM	+NaCl 300mM	+NaCl 300mM	+NaCl 300mM	+NaCl 300mM	+NaCl 300mM	+NaCl 300mM	+NaCl 300mM
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Phosphate pH 7,5	H	+MgCl2 1mM	+MgCl2 10mM	+ZnSO4 10mM	+ZnSO4 10mM	+ZnSO4 10mM	+ZnSO4 10mM	+ZnSO4 10mM	+ZnSO4 10mM	+ZnSO4 10mM	+ZnSO4 10mM	+ZnSO4 10mM	+ZnSO4 10mM

Figure S3. Matrix plate of the buffer compositions assessed for TSA optimization.

Table S1. Buffer concentrations used for preparing buffer composition matrix screening plates.

Buffer	Plate 1 (mM)	Plate 2 (mM)
Phosphate-Na	10	100
Acetate-Na	100	200
MES-Na	10	100
HEPES-Na	10	50
TRIS-HCl	20	100

Selection of the optimal buffer composition was based on balancing several criteria including undistorted protein melting curve, maximized melting temperature stability of SIRT1 protein and maximized melting temperature shift induced by the acetylated histone H3K9 peptide (KQTARK(Ac)STGG, a natural substrate of SIRT1). Thermal shift experiments were done at 120  $\mu$ M H3K9 in the presence of 500  $\mu$ M NAD<sup>+</sup>, a co-factor of SIRT1. Separate additions of H3K9 or NAD<sup>+</sup> at the same concentrations did not cause any thermal shift in SIRT1 melting curves. As a result, the buffer consisting of 20 mM Tris-HCl pH 8 and 50 mM NaCl was selected for the screening. Purified SIRT1 protein was pre-mixed with SYPRO Orange dye (Thermo Fischer Scientific, Cat. S6650, 5000x stock) to prepare a master mix at 400  $\mu$ g/mL protein and 10x dye concentration. Tested compounds were added to the protein-dye master mix at 10  $\mu$ M (1% final DMSO concentration) and incubated for 1 h at 4  $^{\circ}$ C in MicroAmp<sup>®</sup> optical 384-well reaction plates (ThermoFisher, Cat. 4309849) sealed with optical sealing film (ThermalSeal RT2, Excel Scientific, Cat. TS-RT2). The volumes of all reaction mixtures were 10  $\mu$ L (4  $\mu$ g SIRT1 per well). The reaction plates were then kept at ambient temperature (22-24  $^{\circ}$ C) for additional 15 minutes to ensure protein-compound interactions. Thermal scanning was performed by raising temperature to 35  $^{\circ}$ C at 1.6  $^{\circ}$ C/min without signal detection followed by 35  $^{\circ}$ C to 75  $^{\circ}$ C temperature ramp at 0.05  $^{\circ}$ C/s with constant fluorescence intensity reading at 1 sec intervals using EX470/EM623 nm filter set. Primary screening of the whole test set of 3,192 compounds was carried out in singletons. The raw data of dye fluorescence intensity change upon protein melt were exported using the ViiA7 RUO software (Applied Biosystems/ThermoFischer Scientific). Further data visualization, curve fitting, melting temperature calculations on the raw fluorescence data were performed using custom-made Microsoft Excel scripts developed by us. The peak of the first derivative for the fluorescence curve was used to define melting temperature ( $T_m$ ). Averaged  $T_m$  values for the control wells (64 wells per plate), containing only the protein, dye and 1% DMSO were used as a reference point to determine melting temperature shifts ( $\Delta T_m$ ). Hit selection criteria was  $\Delta T_m > 0.45$   $^{\circ}$ C or  $\Delta T_m < -1.5$   $^{\circ}$ C. All primary hits were re-tested in the same assay at 3 concentrations (20, 10 and 5  $\mu$ M,  $n = 4$ ) for hit confirmation



and dose-dependence check (SIRT1 protein) or for a specificity counter-screen on unrelated protein targets (bovine carbonic anhydrase and recombinant SH2 domain of hABL1 kinase).

The above described procedure was also conducted without  $\text{NAD}^+$  (see the main manuscript).

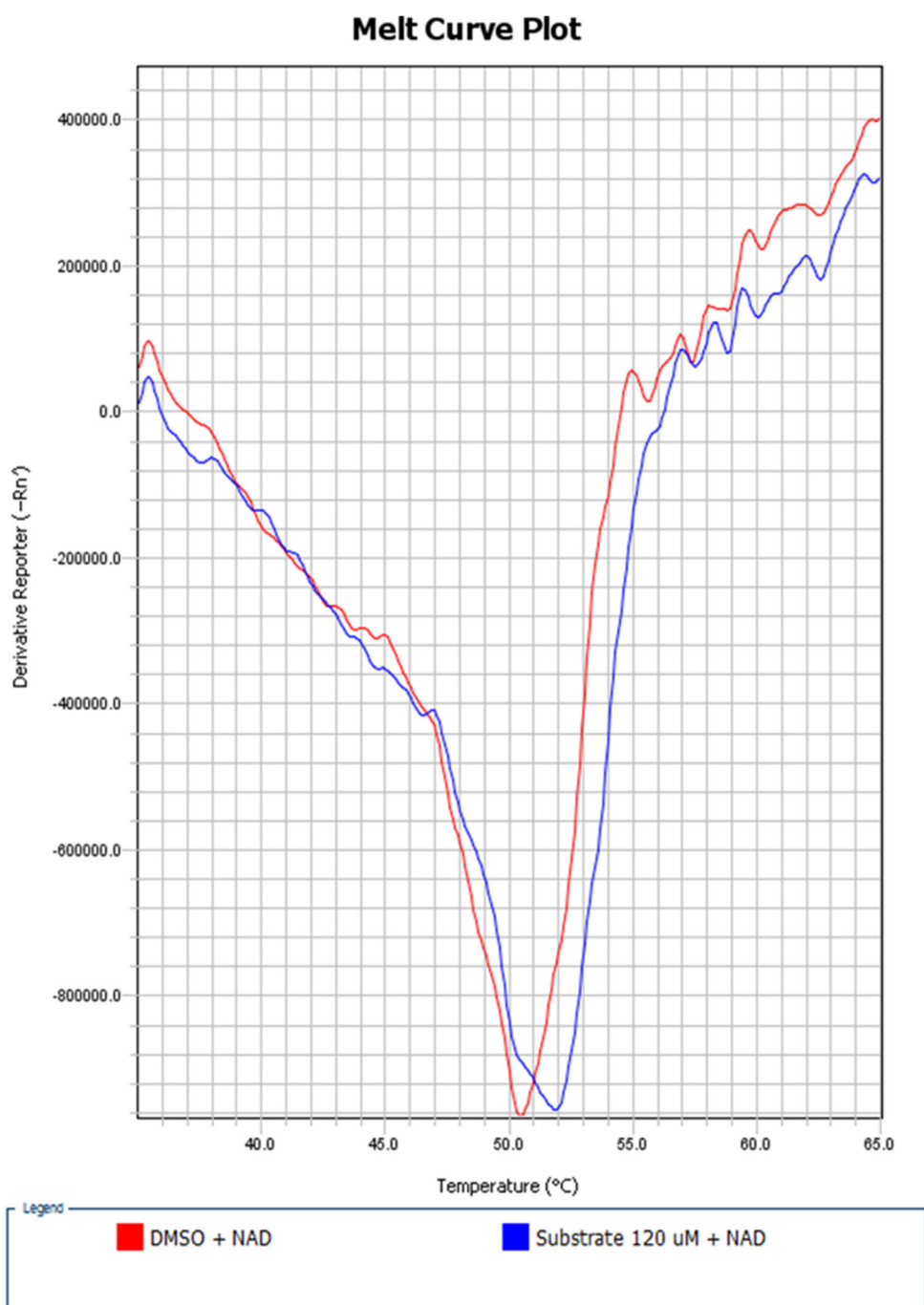


Figure S4. Typical derivative melt curve plot for SIRT1 in the absence (red line) and the presence (blue line) of histone H3K9 peptide substrate. Peptide induced thermal shift of +1.2 °C is detected.

### C. Biochemical enzymatic assay for SIRT1

Luminogenic SIRT-Glo™ assay kit was purchased from Promega Corp. (Madison, WI; USA, Cat. 6450). Human SIRT1 enzyme was expressed and purified following the procedure described in the Section A of this Supplement. Enzymatic activity of SIRT1 in the presence of test compounds was assayed in 384-well white, flat bottom microplates (Thermo Scientific Matrix, Cat. 4365) using the SIRT-Glo™ assay according to the manufacturer's instructions (Promega Technical Manual for SIRT-Glo™ Assay and Screening System). Briefly, the enzymatic reactions were performed in assay buffer (25 mM Tris buffer pH 8.0, 137 mM NaCl, 2.7 mM KCl, 1 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> and 1% Triton X100). SIRT1 was added to 3 ng/μL concentration to the wells containing tested compounds diluted in the assay buffer as well as the control wells with 1 mM nicotinamide as reference compound (1% final DMSO concentration) and the reactions (9 μL per well) were pre-incubated for 30 min at ambient temperature (22–24 °C). The enzymatic reactions were started by adding 9 μL of SIRT-Glo™ reagent (proprietary composition undisclosed by the vendor) to each assay well. After a brief vigorous mixing using VibraTranslator (Union Scientific, USA) to ensure homogeneity, the plate was incubated at the ambient temperature for 40 min. The final reaction volumes per well of a 384-well plate were 18 μL (1.5 ng/μL SIRT1: 20 nM). Luminescence signals were measured using Omega PolarStar microplate reader (BMG Labtech, Ortenberg, Germany). Luminescence values from the control plate wells with no added enzyme were used as a baseline. To validate the assay procedure, the half inhibitory concentration (IC<sub>50</sub>) of a known SIRT1 inhibitor, nicotinamide, was determined (Figure S5). The resulting value was reproducible (128–252 μM) and correlated well with the value provided by Promega Corp. (89 μM) and various literature data. This validates the assay protocol and ensures that IC<sub>50</sub> values may be compared between different experiments. Some compounds' IC<sub>50</sub> were determined under a slightly different condition, i.e., the final SIRT1 concentration of 2.5 ng/μL (30 nM). This is because that we conducted protein expression twice and hence conducted optimization of experimental condition twice. The difference in the final concentrations would not be relevant for this study because IC<sub>50</sub> values determined and the final concentrations are very different.

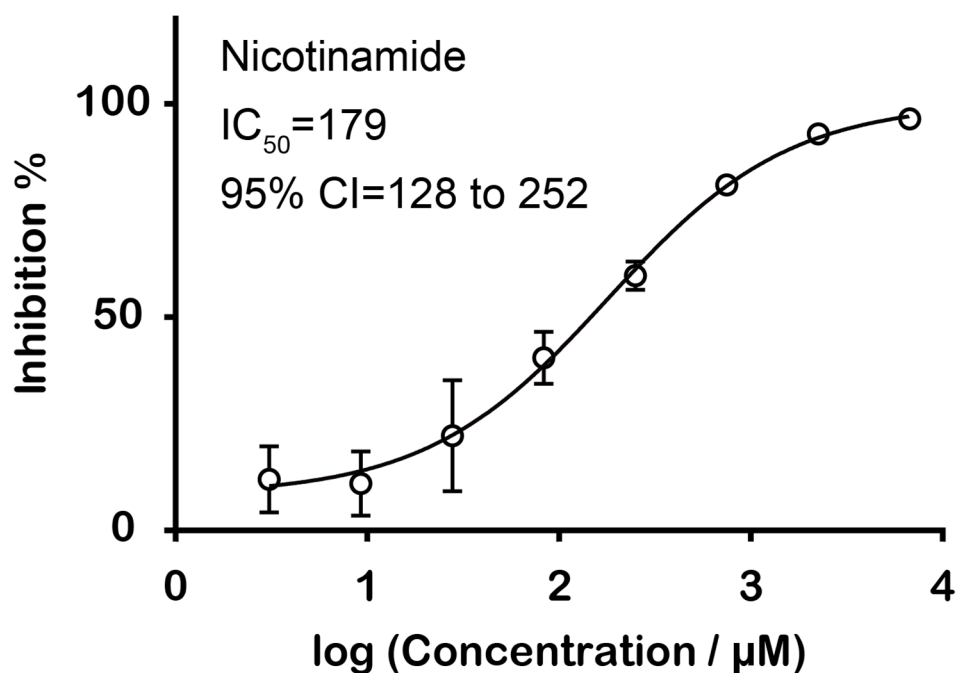


Figure S5. Dose-response curve for SIRT1 inhibition by nicotinamide under SIRT-Glo™ assay conditions described in Section C of this supporting information. The determined  $IC_{50}$  value and its 95% confidence interval are shown. The eight-point  $IC_{50}$  curve was built using 3x serial dilution starting from nicotinamide concentration of 6,750  $\mu\text{M}$ . Primary compound dilutions were performed in DMSO and each concentration was tested in quadruplicate. Assay data was analyzed in GraphPad Prism,<sup>6</sup> using Prism's built-in sigmoidal dose-response curve-fit algorithm and default settings of the fit. Each error bar represents a standard deviation (SD) of inhibition rates for each concentration. SDs smaller than the size of circle symbol are not displayed as error bars.

#### D. $IC_{50}$ determination of compounds

As described in the section Screening of compounds of the main manuscript, we conducted  $IC_{50}$  determination of 20 compounds with inhibitory rates greater than 15%. The results are shown in Figure S6.

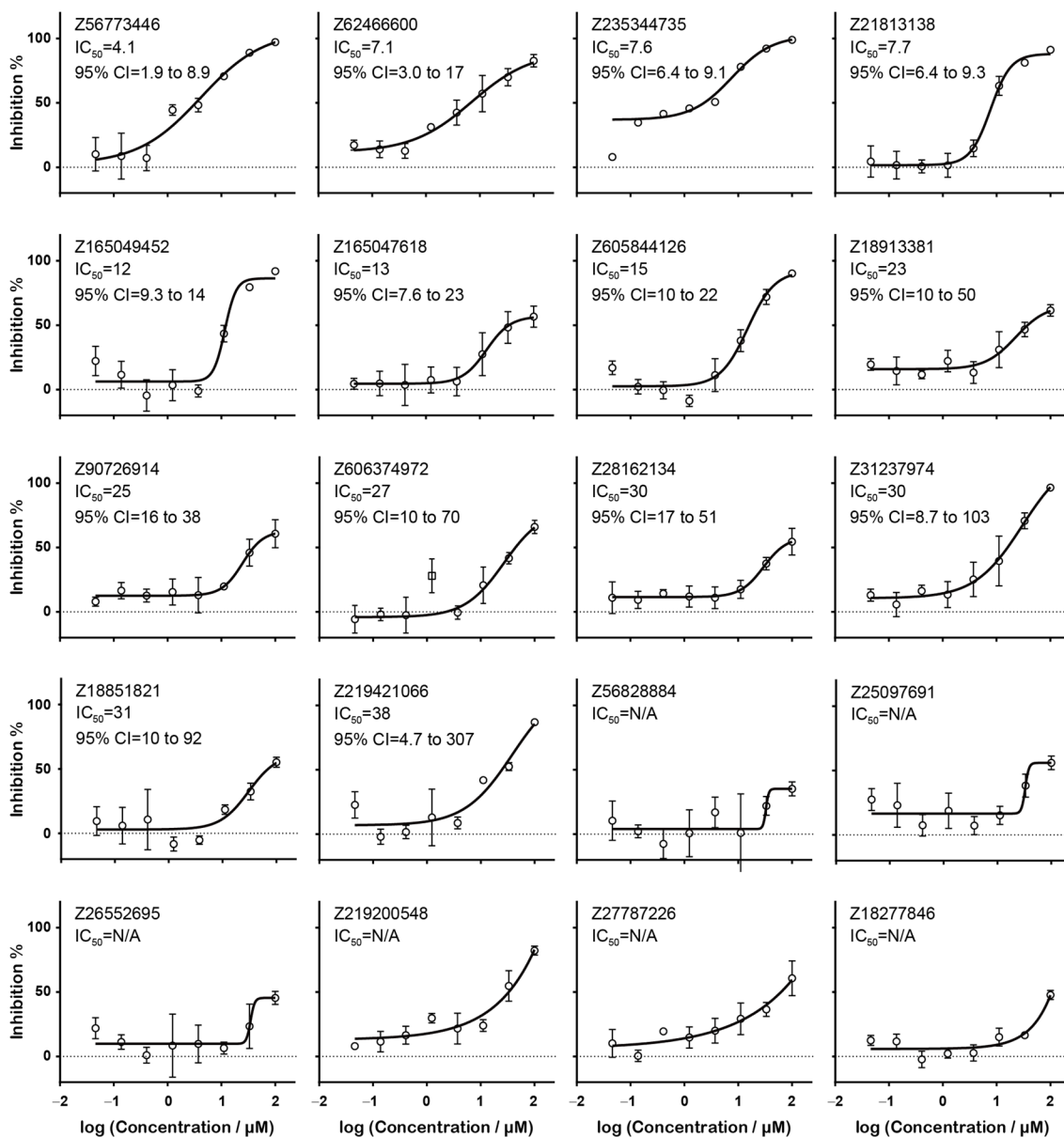


Figure S6. Dose-response curve (DRC) for SIRT1 inhibition by 20 compounds under SIRT-Glo™ assay conditions described in Section C of this supporting information. The determined  $IC_{50}$  value and its 95% confidence interval are shown. The eight-point  $IC_{50}$  curves were built using 3x serial dilution starting from compound concentration of 100  $\mu$ M. Primary compound dilutions were performed in DMSO and each concentration was tested in quadruplicate. Assay data was analyzed in GraphPad Prism,<sup>6</sup> using Prism's built-in sigmoidal dose-response curve-fit algorithm and default settings of the fit.  $IC_{50}$  of some compounds were not available (N/A) because of an ambiguous DRC. Each bar represents a standard deviation (SD) of inhibition rates for each concentration. SDs smaller than the size of circle symbol are not displayed as error bars. Note that we removed a single data point, indicated by the square symbol, for Z606374972 from the curve-fit analysis since it is a clear

outlier. The final Sirtuin1 concentrations were 30 nM for Z90726914, Z62466600, Z165047618, Z31237974, Z219200548, Z18913381, Z27787226, Z28162134 and 20 nM for the others.

### E. Average similarity of compounds proposed from each group

Table S2. Average similarity of compounds assayed from each group sorted by similarity values.

Group	Average similarity	Filter class
G3	0.30	LB
G11	0.33	SB
G7	0.37	Hybrid(LB&SB)
G9	0.39	SB
G14	0.40	Hybrid (LB&SB)
G10	0.41	Hybrid(LB&SB)
G15	0.42	Hybrid(LB&SB)
G8	0.43	Hybrid (LB→SB)
G4	0.44	Hybrid(LB&SB)
G6	0.44	LB
G16	0.45	Hybrid (LB→SB)
G2	0.45	LB→SB
G1	0.47	LB→SB
G13	0.47	Hybrid (LB,SB&visualinspection)
G12	0.49	LB
G5	0.71	Hybrid(LB&SB)

The similarity scores are defined with the Tanimoto coefficient of the MACCS descriptor.<sup>7</sup>

Table S3. Average similarity of compounds from LB, SB, and hybrid filter classes.

Filter class	Average similarity
LB	0.40
SB	0.36
Hybrid	0.36

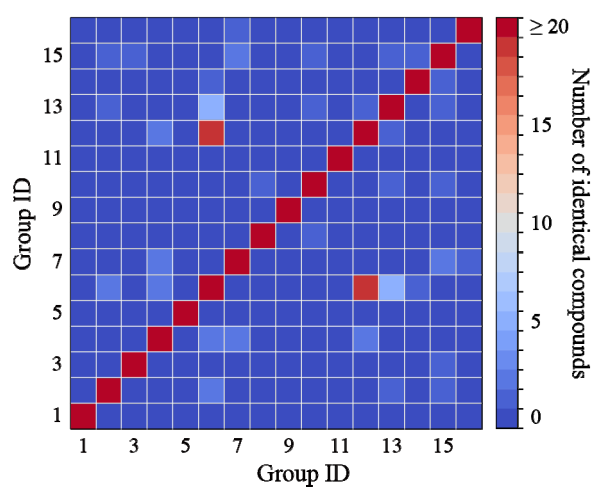


Figure S7. Identical compounds proposed from different groups.

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