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Supplemental Synthetic Schemes and NMR Spectra 5-hydroxymethyl-2'-deoxyuridine Spectral data agrees with previous literature¹².



Figure S1. ¹H NMR (300 MHz) of 5-hydroxymethyl-2'-deoxyuridine.



Figure S2. ¹³C NMR (75 MHz) of 5-hydroxymethyl-2'-deoxyuridine.





N-((difluoroboraneyl)methyl)-N,N-dimethylprop-2-yn-1-aminium fluoride, 4



Figure S5. Synthesis of 4.







Figure S7. ¹¹B NMR (96 MHz) of 4.



Figure S8. ¹³C NMR (75 MHz) of **4**.



Figure S9. ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz) of 4.



⁶ **Figure S10.** Synthesis of **7**.



Figure S11. ¹H NMR (300 MHz) of 7.





Figure S13. ¹³C NMR (75 MHz) of **7**.



 $\label{eq:constraint} Trifluoro((((1-((2R,4S,5R)-4-hydroxy-5-(hydroxymethyl))tetrahydrofuran-2-yl)-2,4-dioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyrimidin-5-yl)methyl)-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl)methyl)dimethylammonio)methyl)borate, dT-C^5-AMBF_3, \textbf{1}$



Figure S15. Synthesis of 1.



Figure S17. ¹³C NMR (150 MHz) of 1.



 $\label{eq:constraint} Trifluoro(((3-(3-((2R,4S,5R)-4-hydroxy-5-(hydroxymethyl)tetrahydrofuran-2-yl)-5-methyl-2,6-dioxo-3,6-dihydropyrimidin-1(2H)-yl)propyl)dimethylammonio)methyl)borate, dT-N^3-AMBF_3, \textbf{2}$



Figure S19. Synthesis of 2.



Figure S21. ¹¹B NMR (96 MHz) of 2.



220 210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 -10 -20 f1 (ppm) Figure S22. ¹³C NMR (75 MHz) of 2.



Figure S23. ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz) of 2.

Radiochemistry and Imaging

Radiosynthesis

Lot numbers of $[^{18}O]$ -H₂O used for $[^{18}F]$ -fluoride generation were 18-0539, 18-0757, 19-0097, 19-0149 and 19-0285 in British Columbia Cancer Research Centre.



Figure S24. Standard curve for $[^{18}F]\mathbf{1}$. y = 90.1x - 4.76. $R^2 = 0.9997$.



Figure S25. Standard curve for $[^{18}F]2$. y = 202x - 90.2. $R^2 = 0.9997$.

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1h p.i.	Subject 1	Subject 2	Subject 3	Mean (%ID/g)	Standard deviation
Tumor/bone	1.57	2.77	1.73	2.02	0.65
Tumor/muscle	4.57	4.72	3.10	4.13	0.90
Tumor/blood	1.23	1.16	0.93	1.11	0.16
Tumor/kidney	0.33	0.30	0.26	0.30	0.04

PET/CT imaging and biodistribution studies **Table S1**. Biodistribution of [¹⁸E]1 in NSG mice bearing U87 tumor.

Table S2. Imaging data of [¹⁸F]**1** in NSG mice bearing U87 tumor.

1h p.i.	Subject 1	Subject 2	Subject 3	Mean (%ID/g)	Standard deviation
Blood	0.07	0.14	0.07	0.09	0.04
Urine	53.49	70.23	119.60	81.11	34.37
Fat	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00
Intestine	0.47	0.48	0.37	0.44	0.06
Spleen	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.01
Pancreas	0.03	0.06	0.02	0.04	0.02
Liver	0.37	0.51	0.14	0.34	0.19
Kidney	0.26	0.52	0.25	0.35	0.15
Heart	0.02	0.04	0.01	0.03	0.01
Lungs	0.06	0.11	0.04	0.07	0.03
U87 Tumor	0.09	0.16	0.07	0.10	0.05
Bone	0.06	0.06	0.04	0.05	0.01
Muscle	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.01
Brain	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tail	0.25	0.26	0.10	0.21	0.09

Table S3. Biodistribution of [18F]1 in unblocked NSG mice bearing U87 tumor.

1h p.i.	Subject 4	Subject 5	Subject 6	Subject 7	Mean (%ID/g)	Standard deviation
Tumor:bone	0.66	0.71	2.19	0.66	1.05	0.76
Tumor:muscle	2.97	1.18	7.58	1.07	3.20	3.05
Tumor:blood	0.96	0.19	2.03	1.29	1.12	0.77
Tumor:kidney	0.18	0.25	0.34	0.22	0.24	0.07

Table S4. Imaging data of [¹⁸F]1 in unblocked NSG mice bearing U87 tumor.

1h p.i.	Subject 4	Subject 5	Subject 6	Subject 7	Mean (%ID/g)	Standard deviation
Blood	0.06	0.32	0.06	0.05	0.13	0.13
Urine	397.79	269.12	270.64	176.45	278.50	90.91
Fat	0.11	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.03	0.05
Intestine	0.39	0.49	0.51	0.55	0.48	0.07
Spleen	0.02	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.01
Pancreas	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.01
Liver	0.21	0.33	0.30	0.37	0.30	0.07
Kidney	0.35	0.24	0.39	0.32	0.33	0.06
Heart	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01
Lungs	0.06	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.00
U87 Tumor	0.06	0.06	0.13	0.07	0.08	0.03
Bone	0.09	0.09	0.06	0.11	0.09	0.02
Muscle	0.02	0.05	0.02	0.07	0.04	0.02
Brain	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tail	0.18	0.34	0.24	0.11	0.22	0.09

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1h p.i.	Subject 8	Subject 9	Subject 10	Subject 11	Mean (%ID/g)	Standard deviation
Tumor:bone	2.01	0.23	1.35	0.62	1.05	0.79
Tumor:muscle	3.27	2.93	3.05	2.50	2.94	0.33
Tumor:blood	0.77	0.71	0.83	0.83	0.78	0.06
Tumor:kidnev	0.17	0.15	0.26	0.29	0.22	0.07

Table S5. Biodistribution of [¹⁸F]1 in blocked NSG mice bearing U87 tumor.

Table S6. Imaging data of [¹⁸F]**1** in blocked NSG mice bearing U87 tumor.

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1h p.i.	Subject 8	Subject 9	Subject 10	Subject 11	Mean (%ID/g)	Standard deviation
Blood	0.21	0.05	0.30	0.10	0.17	0.11
Urine	268.64	282.13	252.92	240.07	260.94	18.33
Fat	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.01
Intestine	0.51	0.47	0.61	0.67	0.57	0.09
Spleen	0.07	0.02	0.12	0.04	0.06	0.04
Pancreas	0.07	0.02	0.09	0.06	0.06	0.03
Liver	0.57	0.27	1.11	0.67	0.66	0.35
Kidney	0.99	0.21	0.95	0.29	0.61	0.42
Heart	0.07	0.02	0.09	0.04	0.05	0.03
Lungs	0.18	0.05	0.22	0.08	0.13	0.08
U87 Tumor	0.17	0.03	0.25	0.08	0.13	0.09
Bone	0.08	0.14	0.18	0.14	0.14	0.04
Muscle	0.05	0.01	0.08	0.03	0.04	0.03
Brain	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00

Table S7. Biodistribution of [¹⁸F]**2** in blocked NSG mice bearing U87 tumor.

Subject 12	Subject 13	Subject 14	Mean (%ID/g)	Standard deviation
2.23	1.38	1.93	1.84	0.43
3.84	3.44	4.01	3.76	0.29
0.86	0.72	0.75	0.78	0.07
0.27	0.15	0.15	0.19	0.07
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Table S8. Imaging data of [18F]2 in blocked NSG mice bearing U87 tumor.

1h p.i.	Subject 12	Subject 13	Subject 14	Mean (%ID/g)	Standard deviation	
Blood	0.11	0.10	0.14	0.11	0.02	
Urine	256.42	177.58	54.19	162.73	101.93	
Fat	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	
Intestine	1.45	1.78	1.62	1.62	0.17	
Spleen	0.07	0.07	0.09	0.08	0.02	
Pancreas	0.05	0.05	0.07	0.06	0.01	
Liver	1.32	1.54	2.17	1.68	0.44	
Kidney	0.35	0.48	0.70	0.51	0.18	
Heart	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.01	
Lungs	0.09	0.08	0.12	0.10	0.02	
U87 Tumor	0.09	0.07	0.10	0.09	0.02	
Bone	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.01	
Muscle	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.00	
Brain	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Tail	0.10	0.19	0.10	0.13	0.05	

$\log P_{7.4}$ **Table S9.** $\log P_{7.4}$ study of [¹⁸F]**1**. All activities are corrected to the time of quench.

	Volume (µL)	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3
Radioactivity, <i>n</i> -octanol layer (cpm)	2000	28741	30570	30634
Radioactivity, PBS layer (cpm)	50	789897	815208	703487
P _{7.4} , volume adjusted		0.0009096	0.0009375	0.0010886
logP _{7.4}		-3.041	-3.028	-2.963

Table S10. $\log P_{7.4}$ study of [¹⁸F]**2**. All activities are corrected to the time of quench.

	Volume (µL)	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3
Radioactivity, <i>n</i> -octanol layer (cpm)	1000	600	436	468
Radioactivity, PBS layer (cpm)	100	926664	967277	989905
P _{7.4} , volume adjusted		0.0000647	0.0000451	0.0000473
_logP _{7.4}		-4.189	-4.346	-4.325