

Supplementary Information from:

**The PAR2 inhibitor I-287 selectively targets  $G\alpha_q$  and  $G\alpha_{12/13}$  signaling and has anti-inflammatory effects**

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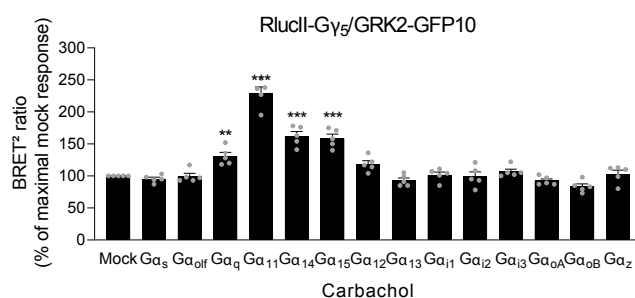
## Supplementary Tables

**Supplementary Table 1: Summarize of BRET-based biosensors used in the study**

Target	Donor	Acceptor	Reference
G $\alpha$ protein activation GRK2 sensor	RlucII-G $\gamma$ <sub>5</sub>	GRK2-GFP10	Mende <i>et al.</i> 2018
G $\alpha$ and G $\gamma$ subunits separation	G $\alpha$ -RlucII	GFP10-G $\gamma$	Gales <i>et al.</i> 2006; Quoyer <i>et al.</i> 2013; Mende <i>et al.</i> 2018; Ehrlich <i>et al.</i> 2019
DAG production	GFP10-linker-RlucII-C1b		Namkung <i>et al.</i> 2018
PKC activation	GFP10-FHA1/2-linker-pPKC1/2-RlucII		Namkung <i>et al.</i> 2018
cAMP production	GFP10-EPAC1-RlucII		Leduc <i>et al.</i> 2009
$\beta$ arrestin2 recruitment to PM	$\beta$ arrestin2-RlucII	rGFP-CAAX	Namkung <i>et al.</i> 2016
PAR2 disappearance from PM	hPAR2-RlucII	rGFP-CAAX	This study
Selective G $\alpha$ <sub>12/13</sub> activation	p115-RhoGEF-RlucII	rGFP-CAAX	This study

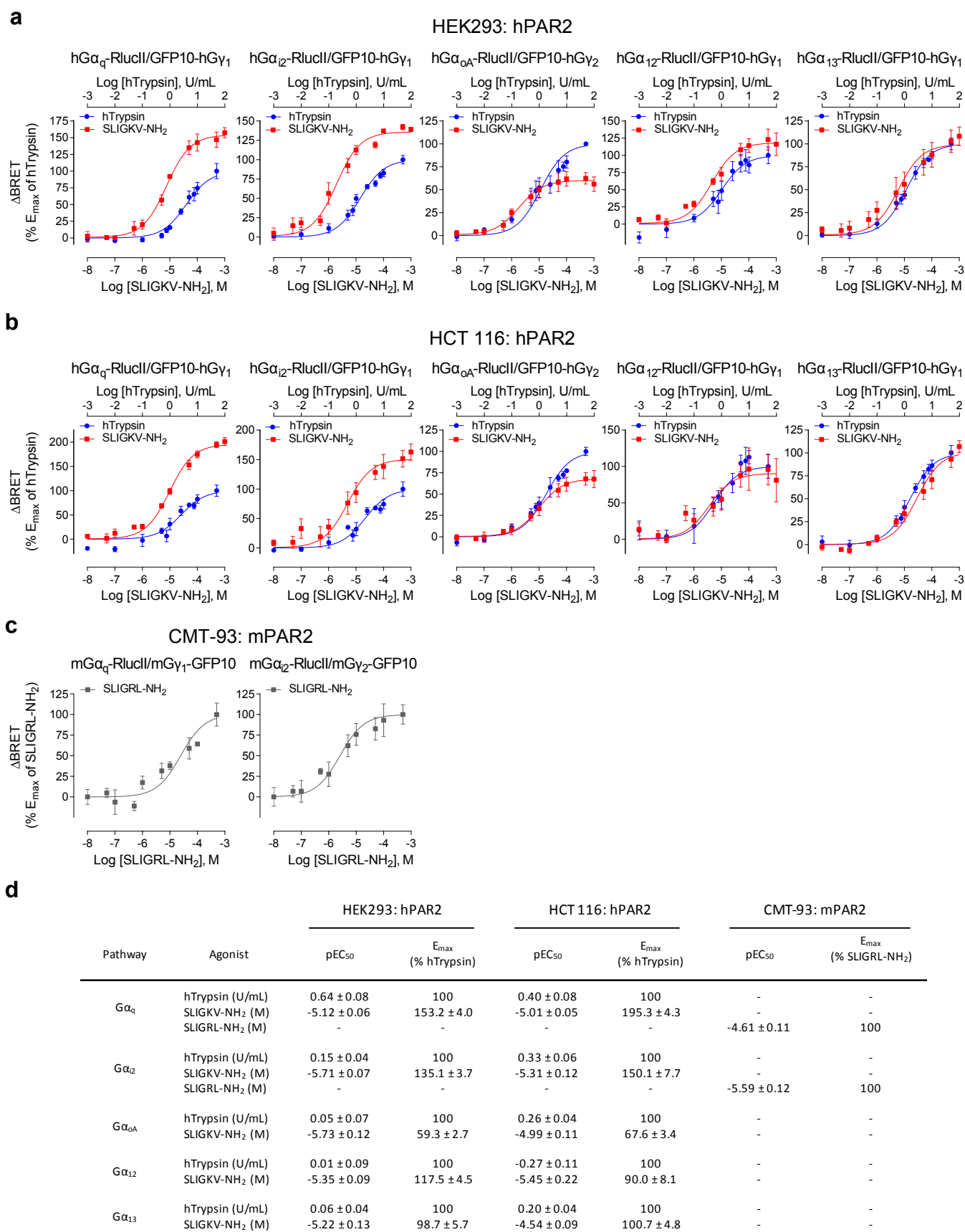
PM : plasma membrane

## Supplementary Figures

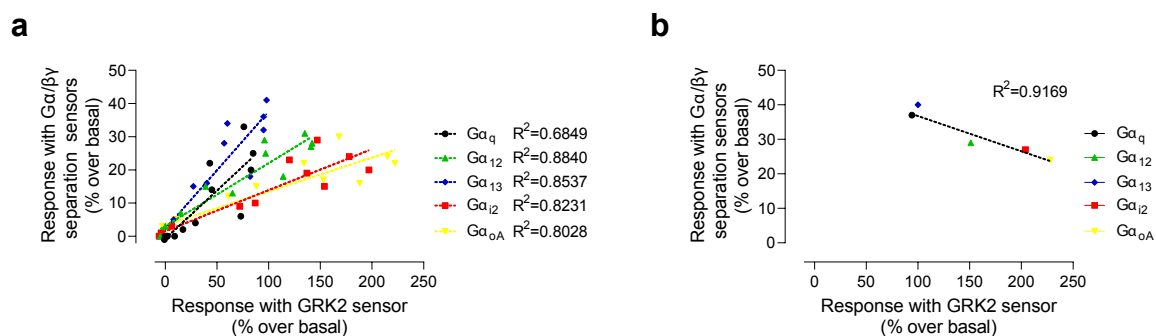


### Supplementary Fig. 1: G proteins activation profile of M3-mAChR in response to carbachol in HEK293 cells.

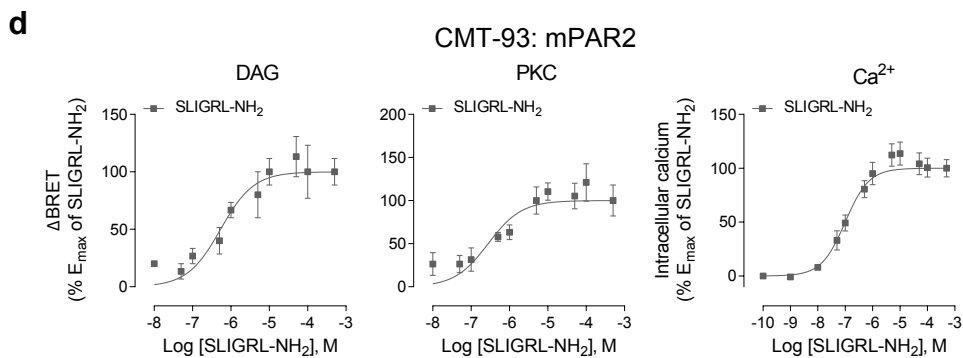
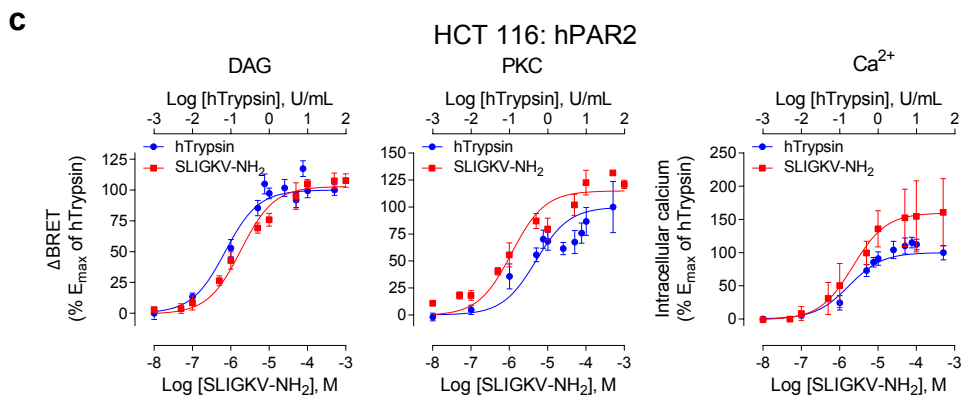
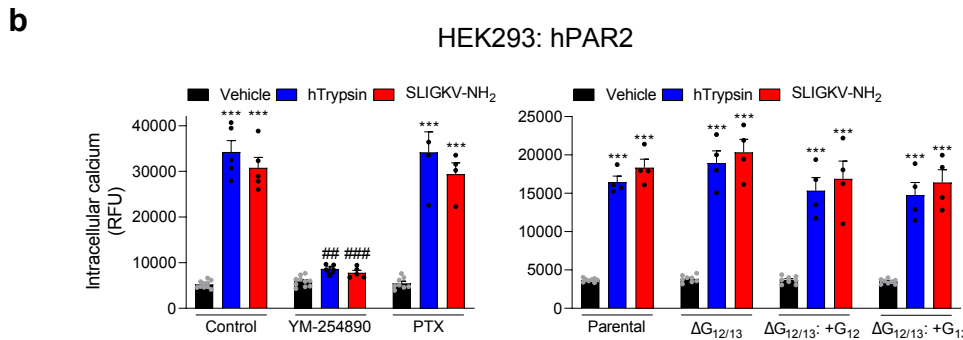
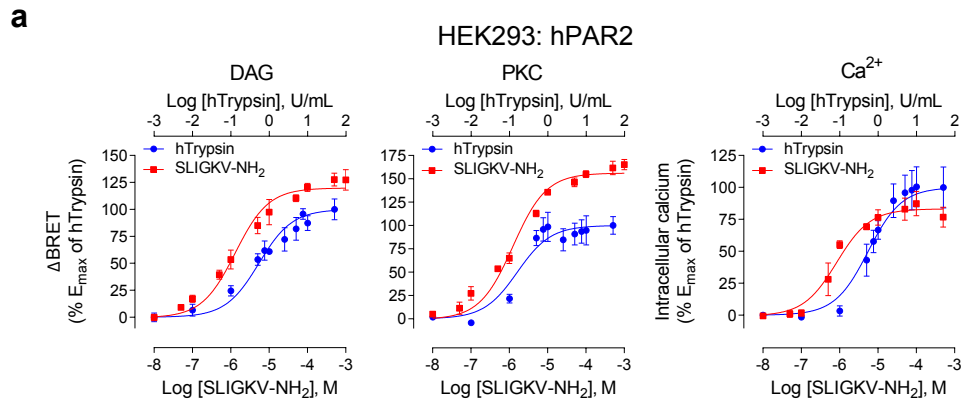
G proteins activation profile induced by carbachol (100  $\mu$ M, 15 min) in HEK293 cells expressing M3-mAChR and components of the GRK2-based G protein activation sensor (RlucII-Gy<sub>5</sub>, GRK2-GFP10, G $\beta_1$  and the indicated G $\alpha$ ). Results are expressed as BRET<sup>2</sup> ratio in % of maximal response obtained in mock condition (mean  $\pm$  SEM; n = 5; One-way ANOVA followed by Dunnett's post hoc: \*\*p < 0.01 and \*\*\*p < 0.001 compared to mock condition).



**Supplementary Fig. 2: G proteins activation profiles of hPAR2 in HEK293 and HCT 116 cells, and mPAR2 in CMT-93 cells. a, b** Dose-response curves of G proteins activation induced after 1 min stimulation with increasing concentrations of hTrypsin or SLIGKV-NH<sub>2</sub> in HEK293 (**a**) and HCT 116 (**b**) cells co-expressing hPAR2, G<sub>β</sub><sub>1</sub> and the human BRET<sup>2</sup>-based α/βγ dissociation biosensors (hGα-RlucII and GFP10-hGγ<sub>1</sub> for G<sub>α</sub><sub>q</sub>, G<sub>α</sub><sub>12</sub>, G<sub>α</sub><sub>12</sub> and G<sub>α</sub><sub>13</sub>, or GFP10-hGγ<sub>2</sub> for G<sub>α</sub><sub>OA</sub>). Data presented in **a** are the same as in **Fig. 1e-i**, but with results expressed as ΔBRET in % E<sub>max</sub> of hTrypsin (mean ± SEM; n = 3). **c** Dose-response curves of G proteins activation induced by increasing concentrations of SLIGRL-NH<sub>2</sub> in CMT-93 cells co-expressing mPAR2, G<sub>β</sub><sub>1</sub> and the mouse BRET<sup>2</sup>-based biosensors mGα<sub>q</sub>-RlucII/mGγ<sub>1</sub>-GFP10 or mGα<sub>12</sub>-RlucII/mGγ<sub>2</sub>-GFP10. Results are expressed as ΔBRET in % E<sub>max</sub> of SLIGRL-NH<sub>2</sub> (mean ± SEM; n = 4). **d** Summary of potencies (pEC<sub>50</sub>) and relative efficacies (E<sub>max</sub>) of ligand-induced Gα proteins activation by the human and murine PAR2. Data are the mean ± SEM deduced from the concentration-response curves above.



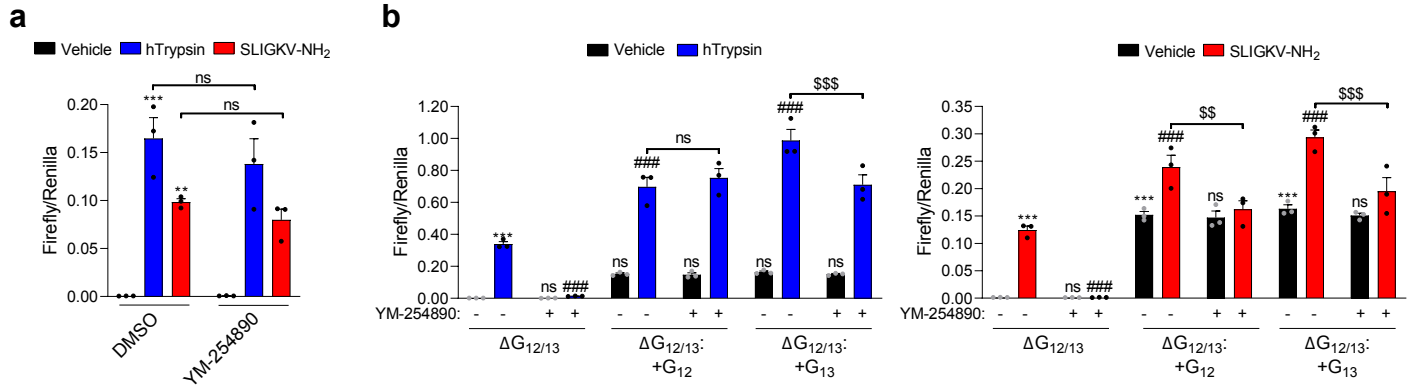
**Supplementary Fig. 3: Bias plot for hTrypsin-mediated activation of G proteins by PAR2.** **a** Responses obtained for each G protein using the sensor based on G $\alpha$  and G $\beta\gamma$  subunits separation (ordinates) were expressed as a function of the responses obtained using the G protein activation GRK2 sensor (abscissae) produced by common concentrations of hTrypsin. Results are expressed as BRET<sup>2</sup> ratio in % over respective basal response (mean  $\pm$  SEM; n = 3-6). The resulting concentration-response curves were fitted in GraphPad Prism using a linear regression (dotted lines) and R<sup>2</sup> is indicated for each pathway. **b** Maximal responses obtained for each G protein using the G $\alpha$ /G $\beta\gamma$  separation sensor (ordinates) in response to hTrypsin were expressed as a function of the maximal responses obtained using the G protein activation GRK2 sensor (abscissae). Results are expressed as BRET<sup>2</sup> ratio in % over respective basal response (mean  $\pm$  SEM; n = 3-6). The different G protein points were fitted using a linear regression (dotted line) and R<sup>2</sup> is indicated.



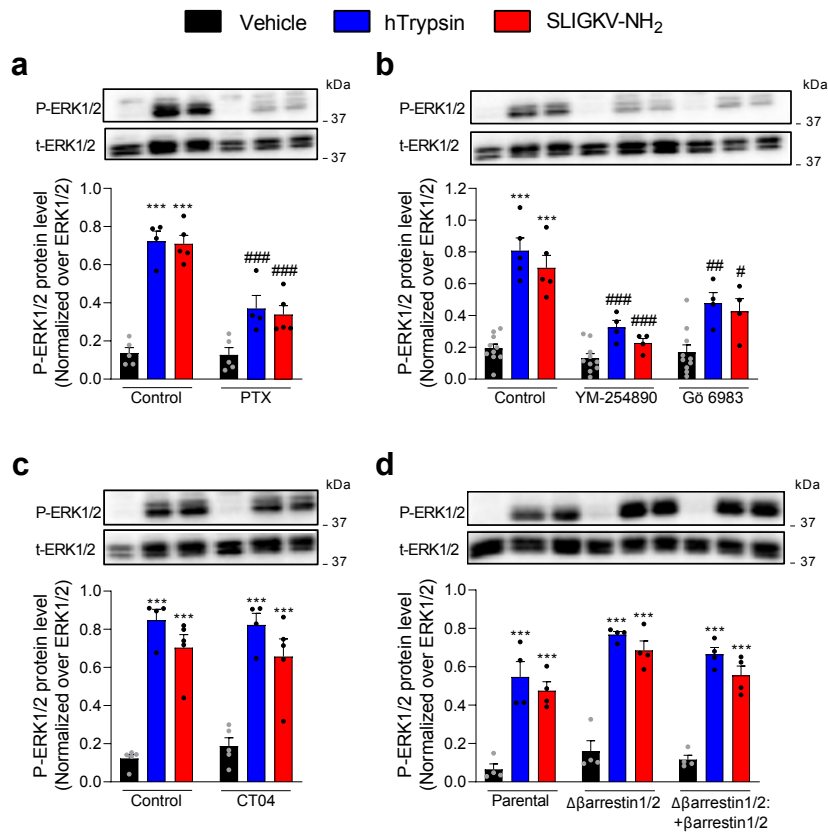
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Pathway	Agonist	HEK293: hPAR2		HCT 116: hPAR2		CMT-93: mPAR2	
		pEC <sub>50</sub>	E <sub>max</sub> (% hTrypsin)	pEC <sub>50</sub>	E <sub>max</sub> (% hTrypsin)	pEC <sub>50</sub>	E <sub>max</sub> (% SLIGRL-NH <sub>2</sub> )
DAG	hTrypsin (U/mL)	-0.27 ± 0.06	100	-1.15 ± 0.09	100	-	-
	SLIGKV-NH <sub>2</sub> (M)	-5.88 ± 0.07	120.4 ± 3.1	-5.74 ± 0.07	103.5 ± 2.8	-6.27 ± 0.13	100
	SLIGRL-NH <sub>2</sub> (M)	-	-	-	-	-	-
PKC	hTrypsin (U/mL)	-0.79 ± 0.12	100	-0.31 ± 0.11	100	-	-
	SLIGKV-NH <sub>2</sub> (M)	-5.90 ± 0.05	156.9 ± 3.0	-5.94 ± 0.10	115.7 ± 4.2	-6.56 ± 0.16	100
	SLIGRL-NH <sub>2</sub> (M)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ca <sup>2+</sup>	hTrypsin (U/mL)	-0.26 ± 0.10	100	-0.76 ± 0.11	100	-	-
	SLIGKV-NH <sub>2</sub> (M)	-6.08 ± 0.11	83.8 ± 3.5	-5.65 ± 0.25	161 ± 16.2	-7.00 ± 0.09	100
	SLIGRL-NH <sub>2</sub> (M)	-	-	-	-	-	-

**Supplementary Fig. 4: Characterization of G proteins downstream signaling pathways activated by hPAR2 in HEK293 and HCT 116 cells and by mPAR2 in CMT-93 cells.** **a, c, d** Dose-response curves of DAG production, PKC activation and Ca<sup>2+</sup> release, induced by increasing concentrations of hTrypsin or human (SLIGKV-NH<sub>2</sub>) and mouse (SLIGRL-NH<sub>2</sub>) PAR2-activating peptides. DAG (*left panel*) and PKC (*central panel*) were measured in HEK293 (**a**), HCT 116 (**c**), or CMT-93 (**d**) cells expressing either hPAR2 or mPAR2, and the corresponding unimolecular BRET<sup>2</sup>-based biosensors. Data presented in **a** are the same as in **Fig. 2a-c**, but with results expressed as ΔBRET in % E<sub>max</sub> of hTrypsin for hPAR2 or SLIGRL-NH<sub>2</sub> for mPAR2 (mean ± SEM; n = 3). Ca<sup>2+</sup> release (*right panel*) was measured in HEK293 (**a**), HCT 116 (**c**), or CMT-93 (**d**) cells expressing endogenous hPAR2 or mPAR2, respectively. Results are expressed as RFU peak value in % E<sub>max</sub> of hTrypsin or SLIGRL-NH<sub>2</sub> (mean ± SEM; n = 4-7). **b Left panel**; Ca<sup>2+</sup> release induced by hTrypsin (10 U/mL) or SLIGKV-NH<sub>2</sub> (100 μM) in HEK293 cells pretreated with YM 254890 (1 μM, 30 min) or PTX (100 ng/mL, 18 h). **Right panel**; Ca<sup>2+</sup> release induced by hTrypsin (10 U/mL) or SLIGKV-NH<sub>2</sub> (100 μM) in HEK293T wild type cells (parental), or in HEK293T Gα<sub>12/13</sub> knockout cells transfected with control DNA (ΔG<sub>12/13</sub>) or either Gα<sub>12</sub> or Gα<sub>13</sub> (mean ± SEM; n = 4-5; Two-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's post-hoc: \*\*\*p < 0.001 compared to respective basal condition, ###p < 0.001 compared to the respective agonist). **e** Summary of potencies (pEC<sub>50</sub>) and relative efficacies (E<sub>max</sub>) of DAG and Ca<sup>2+</sup> productions and PKC activation induced by PAR2 ligands. Data are the mean ± SEM deduced from the concentration-response curves above.

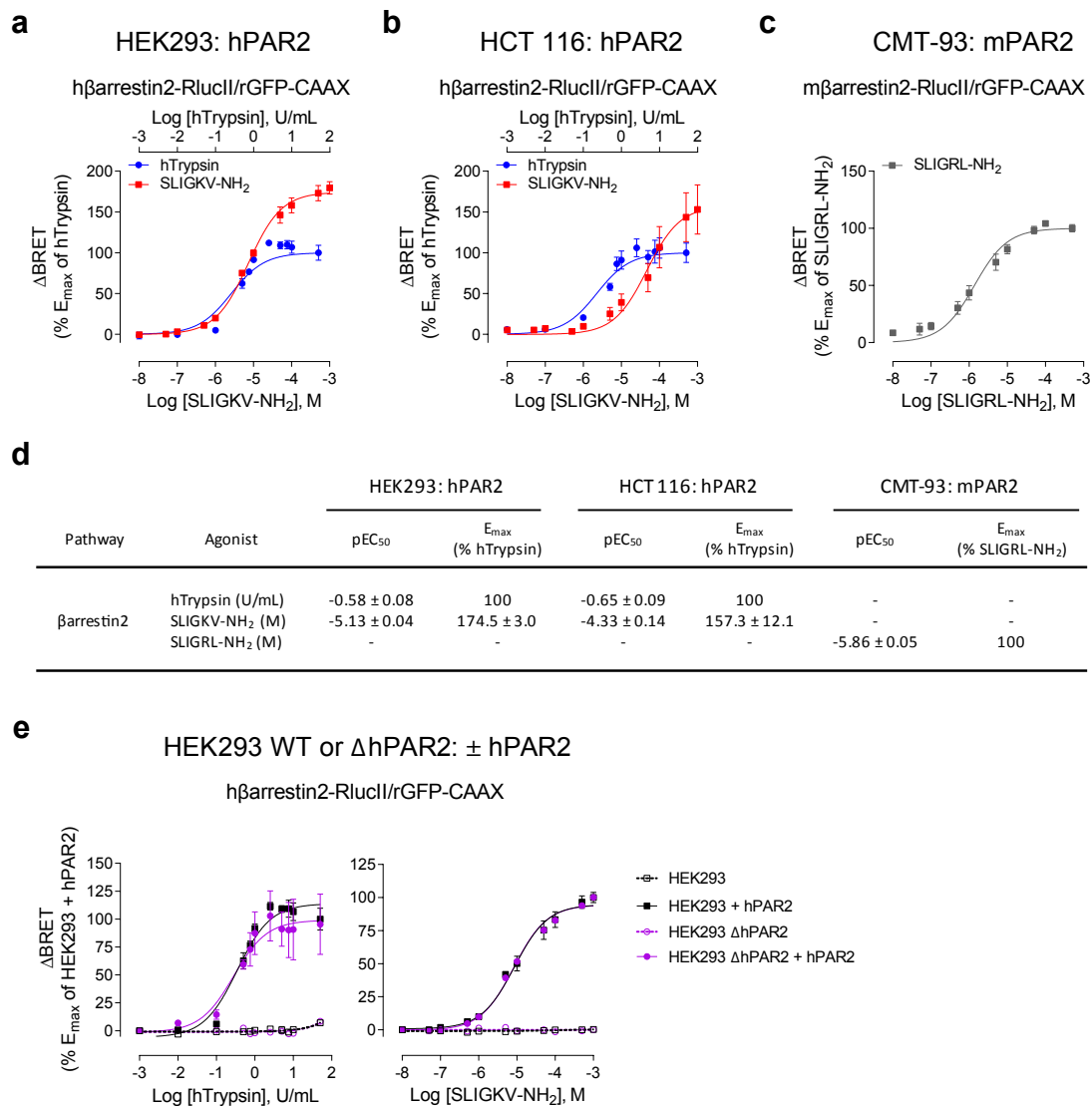


**Supplementary Fig. 5: hPAR2 promoted SRF-RE reporter gene activation is mediated by  $G_{12/13}$  but not  $G_{q/11}$  proteins. a** Impact of YM-254890 (1  $\mu$ M, 30 min) on hPAR2-promoted SRF-RE reporter gene activation induced after 6 h stimulation with hTrypsin (10 U/mL) or SLIGKV-NH<sub>2</sub> (100  $\mu$ M) in HEK293 cells expressing hPAR2. Results are expressed as % of the response induced by respective agonists in absence of I-287 (mean  $\pm$  SEM; n = 3; Two-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's post-hoc: \*\*p < 0.01 and \*\*\*p < 0.001 compared to control cells). **b** Measurement of SRF-RE reporter gene activation induced by hTrypsin (10 U/mL) or SLIGKV-NH<sub>2</sub> (100  $\mu$ M) in HEK293T  $G\alpha_{12/13}$  knockout cells transfected with control DNA ( $\Delta G_{12/13}$ ) or with  $G\alpha_{12}$  or  $G\alpha_{13}$ , with or without pre-treatment with YM-254890 (1  $\mu$ M, 30 min) (mean  $\pm$ SEM; n = 3; Two-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's post-hoc: \*\*\*p < 0.001 compared to  $\Delta G_{12/13}$  untreated cells, ###p < 0.001 compared to  $\Delta G_{12/13}$  agonist-treated cells and \$\$p < 0.01, \$\$\$p < 0.001 compared to equivalent cells minus YM-254890 pre-treatment, ns = non-significant).

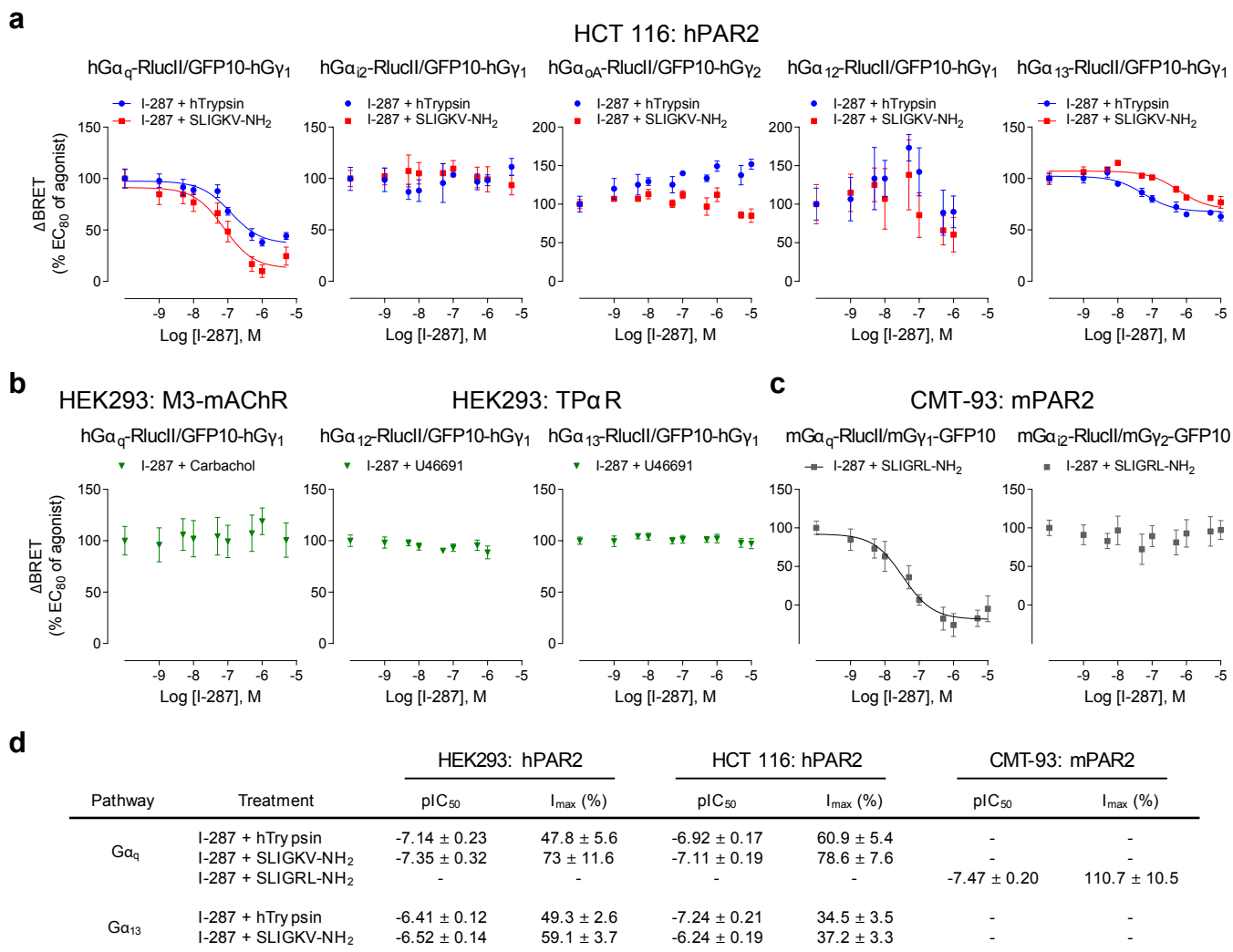


**Supplementary Fig. 6: hPAR2-induced ERK1/2 phosphorylation is mediated by G<sub>i/o</sub> and G<sub>q</sub>/PKC proteins.** **a-c** Measurement of ERK1/2 phosphorylation induced by hTrypsin (1 U/mL) or SLIGKV-NH<sub>2</sub> (100  $\mu$ M) for 10 min in hPAR2 expressing HEK293 cells pretreated with PTX (100 ng/mL, 18 h; **a**), YM 254890 or Gö 6983 (1  $\mu$ M, 30 min; **b**) or CT04 (1  $\mu$ g/mL, 6 h; **c**). **d** Measurement of ERK1/2 phosphorylation induced by hTrypsin (1 U/mL) or SLIGKV-NH<sub>2</sub> (100  $\mu$ M) in HEK293 wild type cells (parental), or in HEK293  $\beta$ arrestin1/2 knockout cells transfected with control DNA ( $\Delta\beta$ arrestin1/2) or with  $\beta$ arrestin1/2. Representative immunoblots of ERK1/2 phosphorylation are shown. Western blots were quantified and expressed as the ratio of phosphorylated ERK (P-ERK1/2) protein level normalized over total ERK (t-ERK1/2) protein (mean  $\pm$  SEM; n = 4-5; Two-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's post-hoc: \*\*\*p < 0.001 compared to control or parental cells with vehicle; #p < 0.05, ##p < 0.01 and ###p < 0.001 compared to control cells with respective agonist).

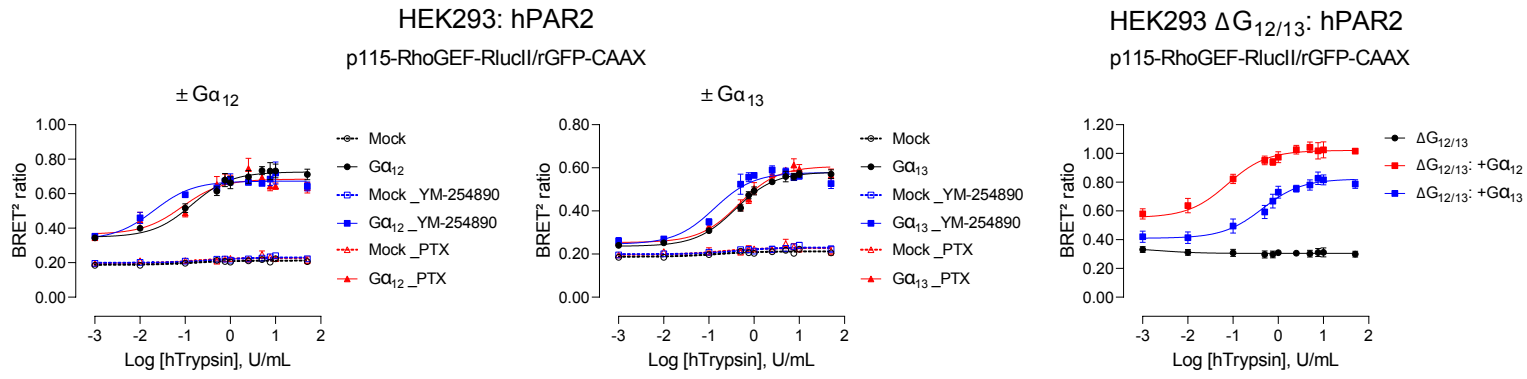
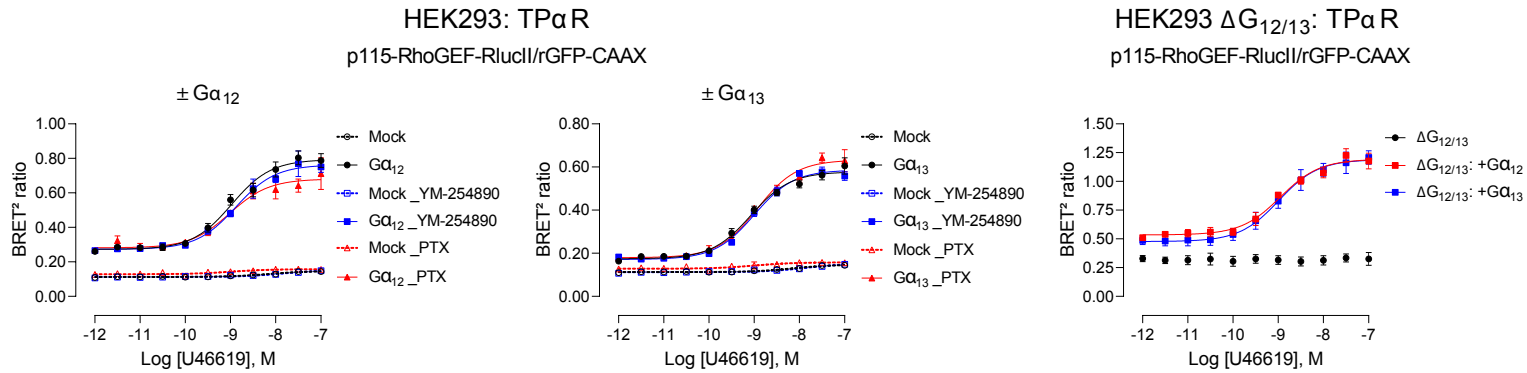




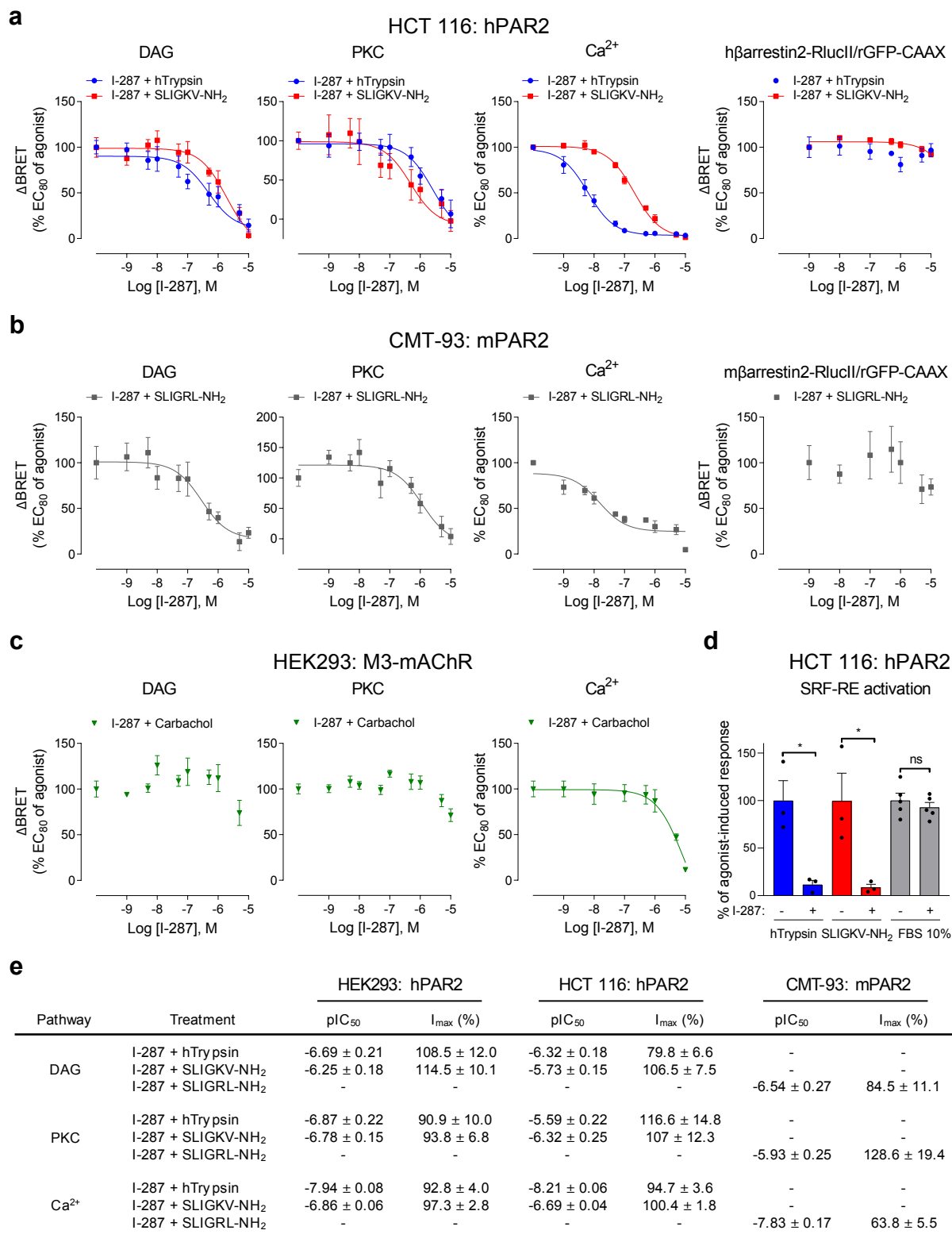
**Supplementary Fig. 7: Characterization of  $\beta$ arrestin2 recruitment at the plasma membrane induced by hPAR2 in HEK293 and HCT 116 cells and by mPAR2 in CMT-93 cells.** **a-c**  $\beta$ arrestin2 recruitment to the plasma membrane was measured either in HEK293 (**a**) and HCT 116 (**b**) cells expressing hPAR2 and human ebBRET sensors h $\beta$ arrestin2-RlucII/rGFP-CAAX after stimulation by hTrypsin or SLIGKV-NH<sub>2</sub> (15 min), or in CMT-93 (**c**) cells expressing mPAR2 with the mouse ebBRET sensor m $\beta$ arrestin2-RlucII/rGFP-CAAX in response to SLIGRL-NH<sub>2</sub> (15 min). Data presented in **a** are the same as in **Fig. 2g**, but with results expressed as  $\Delta$ BRET in % E<sub>max</sub> of hTrypsin for hPAR2 or SLIGRL-NH<sub>2</sub> for mPAR2 (mean  $\pm$ SEM; n = 3-4). **d** Summary of potencies (pEC<sub>50</sub>) and relative efficacies (E<sub>max</sub>) of  $\beta$ arrestin2 recruitment induced by PAR2 ligands. Data are the mean  $\pm$ SEM deduced from the concentration-response curves above. **e** Dose-response curves of  $\beta$ arrestin2 recruitment induced by increasing concentrations of hTrypsin or SLIGKV-NH<sub>2</sub> (15 min) in WT or hPAR2 knockout ( $\Delta$ hPAR2) HEK293 cells transfected with control DNA or hPAR2 and ebBRET sensors  $\beta$ arrestin2-RlucII/rGFP-CAAX. Results are expressed as  $\Delta$ BRET in % E<sub>max</sub> of HEK293 + hPAR2 cells (mean  $\pm$ SEM; n = 3-4).



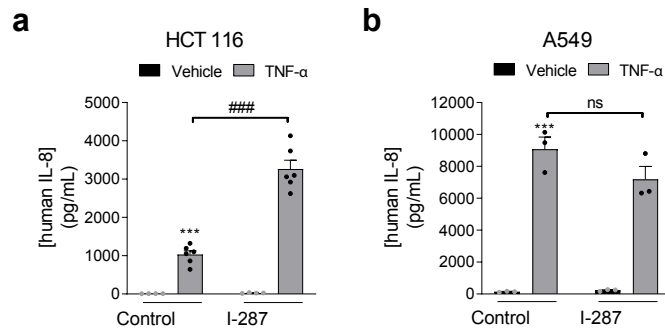
**Supplementary Fig. 8: I-287 is a biased antagonist of PAR2-promoted Gα proteins activation.** **a-c** Impact of I-287 on G proteins activation using the BRET<sup>2</sup>-based α/βγ dissociation biosensors. HCT 116 cells expressing hPAR2 (**a**), HEK293 cells expressing hM3-mAChR (G<sub>q</sub>) or hTPαR (G<sub>12/13</sub>) (**b**) and CMT-93 cells expressing mPAR2 (**c**) were co-transfected with the human or mouse biosensors Gα-RlucII/Gy-GFP10, as indicated. Cells were pretreated with increasing concentrations of I-287 for 15 min and response was measured after stimulation with an EC<sub>80</sub> concentration of hTrypsin or SLIGKV-NH<sub>2</sub> for hPAR2, SLIGRL-NH<sub>2</sub> for mPAR2, carbachol for M3-mAChR and U46691 for hTPαR. Results are expressed as ΔBRET in % of the response induced by EC<sub>80</sub> of respective agonists in the absence of I-287 (mean ± SEM; n = 3-7). **d** Summary of potencies (pIC<sub>50</sub>) and relative inhibition (I<sub>max</sub>) of I-287 on G proteins activation induced by PAR2 ligands. Data are the mean ± SEM deduced from the concentration-response curves above.

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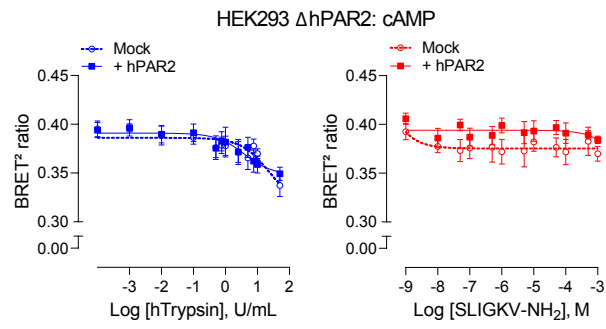
**Supplementary Fig. 9: Validation of p115-RhoGEF eBRET-based sensors to monitor  $G\alpha_{12/13}$  protein activation.** Evaluation of p115-RhoGEF recruitment at the plasma membrane in cells transfected with the hPAR2 (**a**) or TPαR (**b**) receptors and the  $G\alpha_{12/13}$  activation sensors (p115-RhoGEF-RlucII/rGFP-CAAX), along with the  $G\alpha_{12}$  or  $G\alpha_{13}$  subunits. Dose-response curves elicited by hTrypsin (1 min, hPAR2; **a**) or U46691 (1 min, TPαR; **b**) stimulation of HEK293 cells expressing control DNA (Mock),  $G\alpha_{12}$  (left panels) or  $G\alpha_{13}$  (central panels) and pretreated or not with YM-254890 (1  $\mu$ M, 30 min) or PTX (100 ng/mL, 18 h), or HEK293T  $G\alpha_{12/13}$  knockout cells ( $\Delta G_{12/13}$ ) supplemented or not with  $G\alpha_{12}$  ( $\Delta G_{12/13}$ : + $G_{12}$ ) or  $G\alpha_{13}$  ( $\Delta G_{12/13}$ : + $G_{13}$ ) subunits (right panels). Results are expressed as BRET<sup>2</sup> ratio of absolute values (mean  $\pm$  SEM; n = 4-8).



**Supplementary Fig. 10: I-287 selectively inhibits PAR2-mediated activation of DAG/Ca<sup>2+</sup>/PKC and RhoA signaling pathways but had no effect on  $\beta$ arrestin2 recruitment.** **a-c** Impact of I-287 on DAG/Ca<sup>2+</sup>/PKC signaling and  $\beta$ arrestin2 recruitment at the plasma membrane promoted by PAR2 or M3-mAChR. For DAG and PKC experiments, HCT 116 (**a**), CMT-93 (**b**) and HEK293 (**c**) cells were co-transfected with hPAR2, mPAR2 or M3-mAChR, respectively, and either the BRET<sup>2</sup>-based biosensors DAG or PKC. For  $\beta$ arrestin2 recruitment experiments, HCT 116 and CMT-93 cells were co-transfected with hPAR2 (**a**) or mPAR2 (**b**), respectively, and the ebBRET sensors  $\beta$ arrestin2 RlucII/rGFP-CAAX. Cells were pretreated with increasing concentrations of I-287 for 15 min and response was measured after stimulation with an EC<sub>80</sub> concentration of either hTrypsin or SLIGKV-NH<sub>2</sub> for hPAR2, SLIGRL-NH<sub>2</sub> for mPAR2 or carba-chol for M3-mAChR. All data are expressed as  $\Delta$ BRET in % of the response induced by EC<sub>80</sub> of respective agonists in the absence of I-287 (mean  $\pm$  SEM; n = 3-5). For Ca<sup>2+</sup> experiments, HCT 116 (**a**), CMT-93 (**b**) and HEK293 (**c**) cells endogenously expressing hPAR2, mPAR2 and M3-mAChR respectively, were pretreated with increasing concentrations of I-287 for 30 min and Ca<sup>2+</sup> release was measured after stimulation with an EC<sub>80</sub> concentration of either hTrypsin or SLIGKV-NH<sub>2</sub> for hPAR2, SLIGRL-NH<sub>2</sub> for mPAR2 and carbachol for M3-mAChR. All data are shown as % of the response induced by respective agonists in the absence of I-287 (mean  $\pm$  SEM; n = 3-4). **d** Impact of I-287 on hPAR2-promoted SRF-RE reporter gene activation induced after 6 h stimulation with hTrypsin (10 U/mL) or SLIGKV-NH<sub>2</sub> (100  $\mu$ M) in HCT 116 cells expressing hPAR2. FBS (10%) was used as control. Results are expressed as % of the response induced by respective agonists in the absence of I-287 (mean  $\pm$  SEM; n = 3-5; unpaired t-test: \*p < 0.05 compared to respective control cells, ns = not-significant). **e** Summary of potencies (pIC<sub>50</sub>) and relative inhibition (I<sub>max</sub>) of I-287 on DAG/Ca<sup>2+</sup>/PKC signaling induced by PAR2 ligands. Data are the mean  $\pm$  SEM deduced from the concentration response curves above.



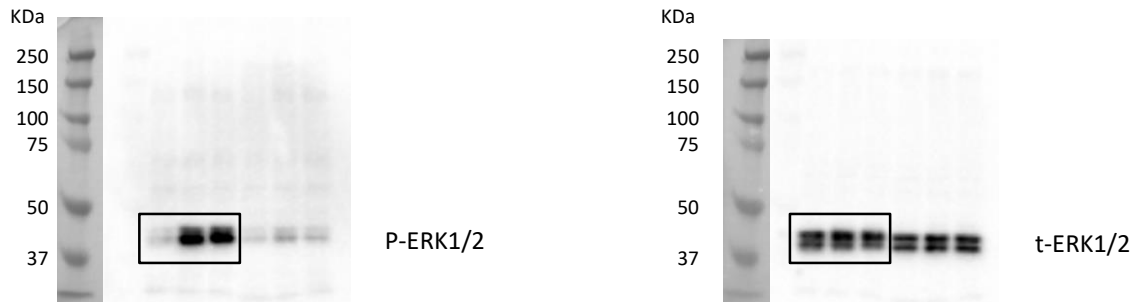
**Supplementary Fig. 11: Differential impact of I-287 on TNF- $\alpha$ -induced secretion of IL-8 cytokine.** Inhibitory action of I-287 (10  $\mu$ M, 30 min) on TNF- $\alpha$  promoted IL-8 cytokine release induced after 6 h stimulation with vehicle or TNF- $\alpha$  (10 ng/mL) in culture medium of HCT 116 (a) and A549 (b) cells expressing hPAR2. Data are expressed as IL-8 concentration in pg/mL (mean  $\pm$  SEM; n = 3-6; Two-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's post-hoc: \*\*\*p < 0.001 compared to control cells with vehicle; ###p < 0.001 compared to control cells with respective agonist).



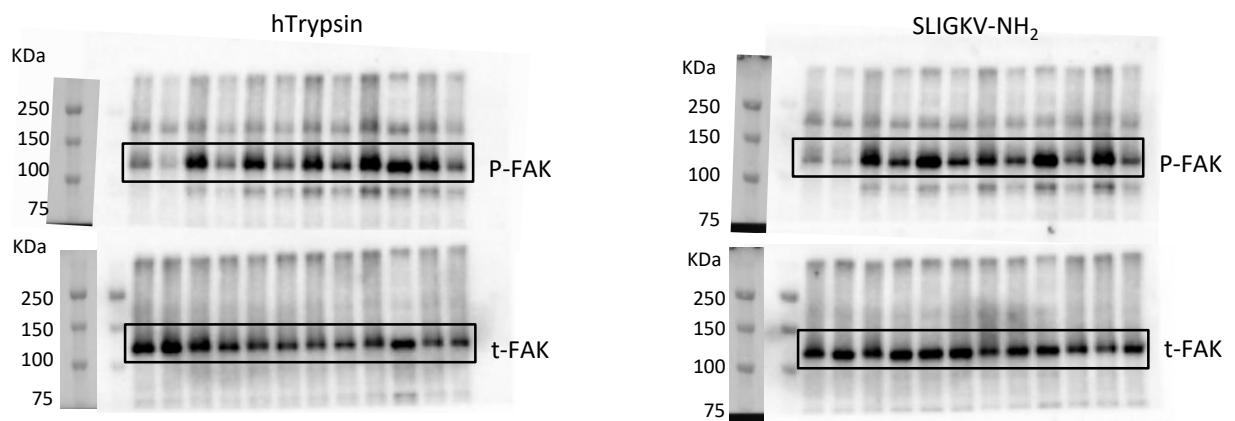
**Supplementary Fig. 12: cAMP-elicited by hTrypsin is hPAR2-independent.** cAMP production measurement induced by increasing concentrations of hTrypsin or SLIGKV-NH<sub>2</sub> (5 min) in HEK293 cells deleted for hPAR2 and co-expressing the EPAC biosensor in the presence or absence of hPAR2. Results are expressed as BRET<sup>2</sup> ratio of absolute values (mean  $\pm$  SEM; n = 4).

### Supplementary Fig. 13: Uncropped Immunoblots.

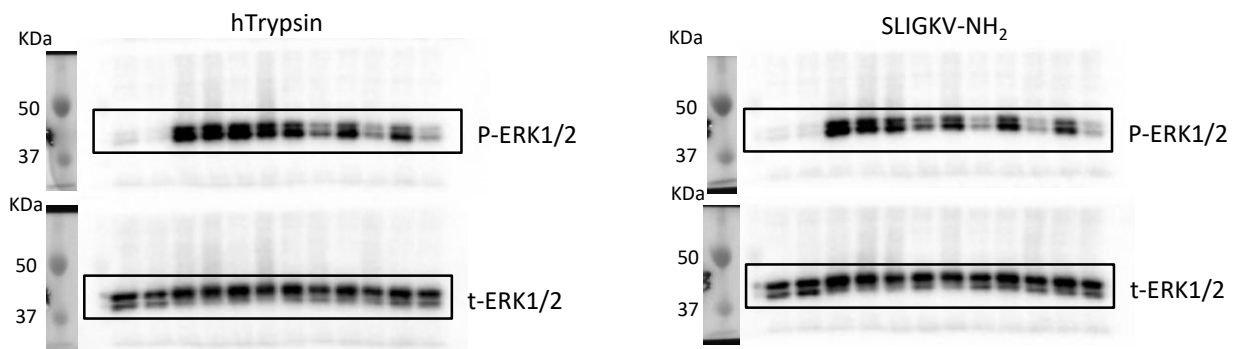
Uncropped immunoblots for Fig. 2i



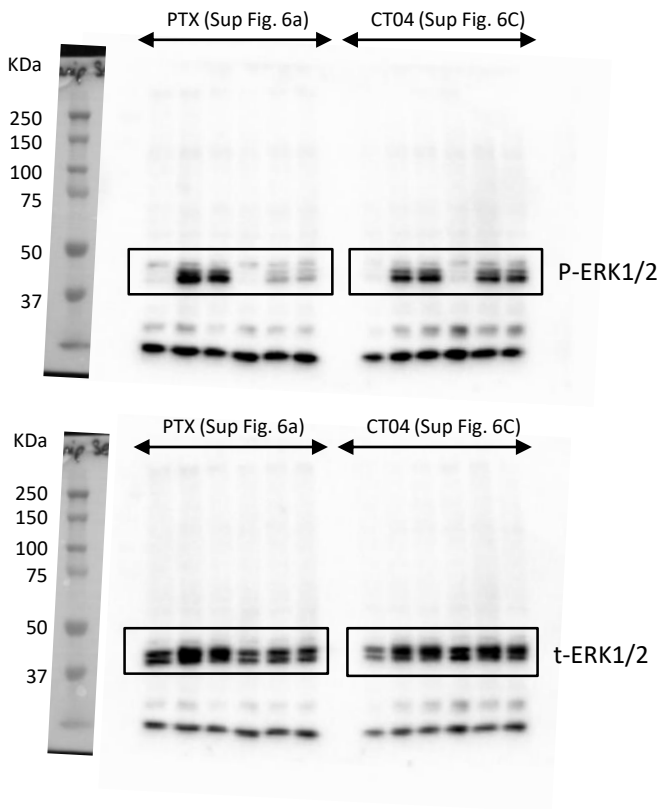
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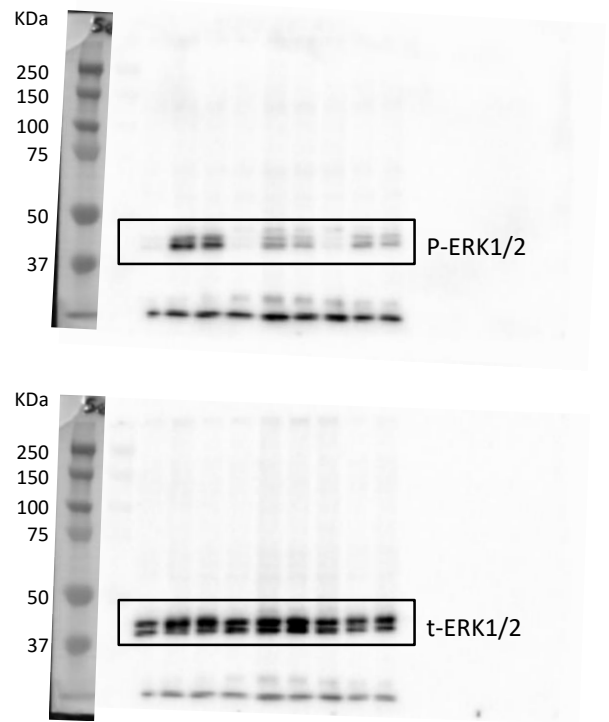
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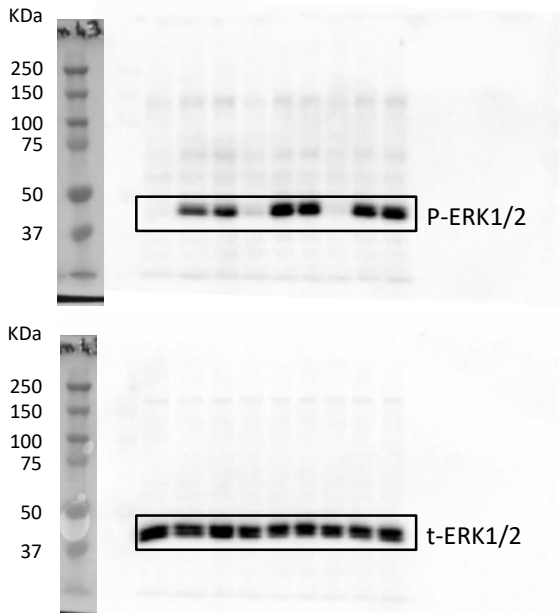
Uncropped immunoblots for Supplementary Fig. 6a and c



Uncropped immunoblots for Supplementary Fig. 6b



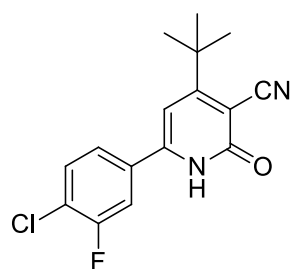
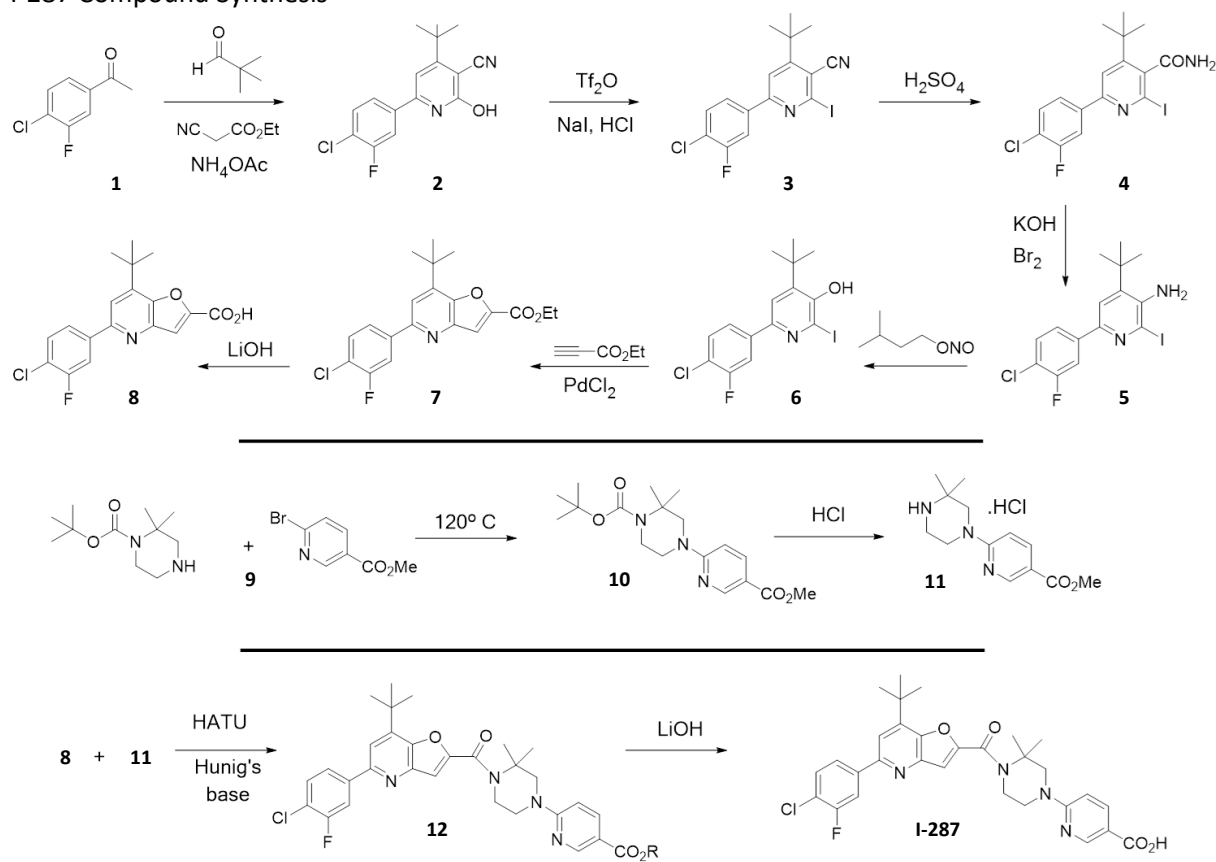
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## Supplementary Methods

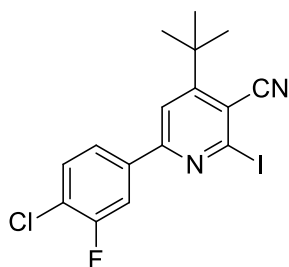
### I-287 Compound Synthesis



**2**

#### 4-(tert-butyl)-6-(4-chloro-3-fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,2-dihydropyridine-3-carbonitrile [2]

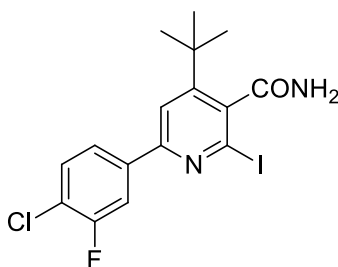
Ammonium Acetate (27.1 g, 352 mmol) was added to a mixture of 1-(4-chloro-3-fluorophenyl)ethanone (8.35 g, 48.4 mmol), pivalaldehyde (6.37 mL, 44.0 mmol) and ethyl 2-cyanoacetate (4.7 mL, 44.0 mmol) in ethanol (29.3 mL) and the resulting mixture was heated at 85°C for 18 h. After cooling to RT, water (15 mL) was added and let stirred 30 min. The solid is filtered and rinse with more water. The wet solid obtained is then stirred in methanol for 15 min, filtered and dried to give 4.3 g (34%) of the title compound.  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  ppm 1.57 (s, 9H) 6.71 (s, 1H) 7.63 - 7.68 (m, 2 H) 7.70 (d,  $J=1.96$  Hz, 1 H) 13.07 (br. s, 1 H).



**3**

4-(tert-butyl)-6-(4-chloro-3-fluorophenyl)-2-iodonicotinonitrile [3]

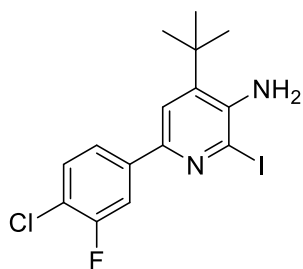
To a suspension of 4-(tert-butyl)-6-(4-chloro-3-fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,2-dihydropyridine-3-carbonitrile (4.3 g, 14.11 mmol) in acetonitrile (141 mL) was added pyridine (1.48 mL, 18.34 mmol). The mixture was brought to 0°C and triflic anhydride (2.98 mL, 17.64 mmol) was added dropwise. The suspension was slowly brought to RT and stirred overnight yielding a clear solution. After cooled at 0°C, sodium iodide (10.58 g, 70.6 mmol) was added followed by the dropwise addition of HCl 4.0 M (4.23 mL, 16.93 mmol) in dioxane. After stirring overnight, it was heated for 40 min at 80°C. The mixture was quenched with sodium bicarbonate, diluted with ethyl acetate and washed with a thiosulfate solution. The aqueous phase was extracted 3 times with ethyl acetate and the combined extract washed with brine. The solution was dried over sodium sulfate, filtered and the solvent removed. Purification on ISCO using a RediSep® column (Hx/EA; 0-20%) gave 1.57 g (27%) of the title compound. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ ppm 1.57 (s, 9 H) 7.53 (dd, *J*=8.44, 7.46 Hz, 1 H) 7.72 (s, 1 H) 7.76 (ddd, *J*=8.30, 2.08, 0.86 Hz, 1 H) 7.86 (dd, *J*=10.03, 2.20 Hz, 1 H). LRMS + H<sup>+</sup> = 415.0.



**4**

4-(tert-butyl)-6-(4-chloro-3-fluorophenyl)-2-iodonicotinamide [4]

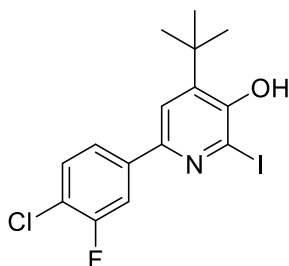
A suspension of 4-(tert-butyl)-6-(4-chloro-3-fluorophenyl)-2-iodonicotinamide (1.62 g, 3.9 mmol) and sulfuric acid (4.1 mL) was heated overnight at 85°C. After cooling to RT, it was neutralized with potassium carbonate and then extracted with dichloromethane (2 times). The combined extracts were washed with an ammonium chloride solution dried over sodium sulfate and filtered. The solvent was removed to give 1.62 g (100%) crude of the title compound. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ ppm 1.50 (s, 9 H) 5.80 (br. s., 1 H) 6.05 (br. s., 1 H) 7.49 (dd, *J*=8.31, 7.34 Hz, 1 H) 7.64 - 7.73 (m, 2 H) 7.80 (dd, *J*=10.15, 2.08 Hz, 1 H). LRMS + H<sup>+</sup> = 433.0.



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4-(tert-butyl)-6-(4-chloro-3-fluorophenyl)-2-iodopyridin-3-amine [5]

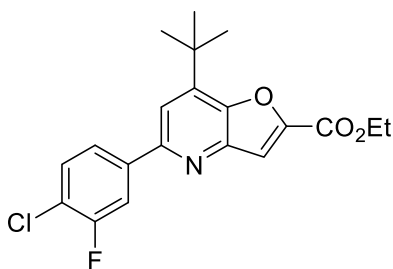
Bromine was added to a 0°C solution of KOH (1.15 g) in water (3.3 mL). After 5 min of stirring 4-(tert-butyl)-6-(4-chloro-3-fluorophenyl)-2-iodonicotinamide (1.1 g, 2.54 mmol) was added solid followed 5 min later by the addition of 0.15 mL of water and by 0.15 mL THF. After 15 min, the mixture was brought to RT for 1.5 h. The solution was diluted with ethyl acetate and the organic phase separated. The remaining phase was extracted 2 times with ethyl acetate which were combined and dried over sodium sulfate. The solvent was removed to yield crude 0.98 g (89%) of the title compound. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ ppm 1.46 (s, 9 H) 4.52 (br. s, 2 H) 7.37 - 7.48 (m, 2 H) 7.58 - 7.65 (m, 1 H) 7.71 (dd, *J*=10.64, 2.08 Hz, 1 H). LRMS + H<sup>+</sup>= 405.0.



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4-(tert-butyl)-6-(4-chloro-3-fluorophenyl)-2-iodopyridin-3-ol [6]

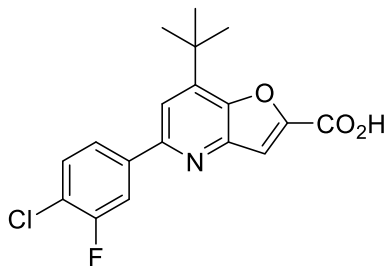
Isopentyl nitrite (1.4 mL, 10.9 mmol) was added dropwise to 4-(tert-butyl)-6-(4-chloro-3-fluorophenyl)-2-iodopyridin-3-amine (1.48 g, 3.6 mmol) in 2,2,2-trifluoroacetic acid (6.6 mL, 86 mmol). After 30 min at RT methanol (22.0 mL, 545 mmol) and potassium carbonate (8.80 g, 63.6 mmol) were added. The mixture was stirred for 5 h at the end of which water was added and the pH adjusted to 5 with diluted HCl. After stirring for 5 h it was extracted 3x with ethyl acetate and the combined extracts were washed with brine, dried over sodium sulfate, filtered and the solvent removed. Purification on ISCO using a RediSep® column (Hx/Tol; 0-70%) gave 0.565 g (39%) of the title compound. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ ppm 1.44 (s, 9 H) 5.66 (s, 1 H) 7.40 - 7.51 (m, 2 H) 7.62 (dd, *J*=2.05, 0.88 Hz, 1 H) 7.74 (dd, *J*=10.52, 2.05 Hz, 1 H). LRMS + H<sup>+</sup>= 406.0.



7

Ethyl 7-(tert-butyl)-5-(4-chloro-3-fluorophenyl)furo[3,2-b]pyridine-2-carboxylate [7]

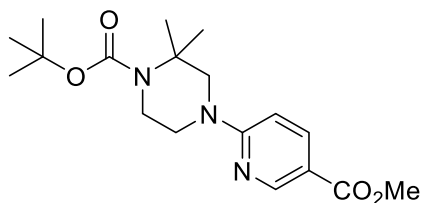
To a degas solution of 4-(tert-butyl)-6-(4-chloro-3-fluorophenyl)-2-iodopyridin-3-ol (0.39 g, 0.96 mmol), ethyl propiolate (0.13 mL, 1.2 mmol) and potassium carbonate (0.399 g, 2.88 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (6.4 mL) was added copper (I) iodide (18 mg, 0.096 mmol) and PdCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (27 mg, 0.038 mmol) and this was heated to 75°C for 12 h. The mixture was quenched with an ammonium chloride solution and diluted with ethyl acetate. The organic phase was separated and the aqueous phase extracted 2 times with ethyl acetate. The combined extracts were dried over sodium sulfate, filtered and the solvent removed. Purification on ISCO using a RediSep® column (Hx/EA; 0-10%) gave 0.106 g (29%) of the title compound. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ ppm 1.47 (t, *J*=7.09 Hz, 3 H) 1.60 (s, 9 H) 4.49 (q, *J*=7.09 Hz, 1 H) 7.52 (dd, *J*=8.31, 7.58 Hz, 1 H) 7.63 (s, 1 H) 7.69 (s, 1 H) 7.76 (ddd, *J*=8.38, 2.02, 0.86 Hz, 1 H) 7.86 (dd, *J*=10.39, 2.08 Hz, 1 H). LRMS + H<sup>+</sup> = 376.1.



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7-(tert-butyl)-5-(4-chloro-3-fluorophenyl)furo[3,2-b]pyridine-2-carboxylic acid [8]

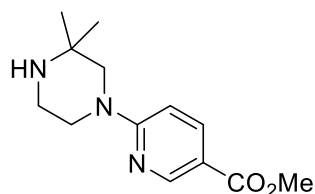
LiOH (0.56 mL, 1.12 mmol) was added to a solution of ethyl 7-(tert-butyl)-5-(4-chloro-3-fluorophenyl)furo[3,2-b]pyridine-2-carboxylate (0.211 g, 0.56 mmol) in THF (2.5 mL). Methanol (0.1 mL) was added until one phase was obtained. The solution was heated at 45°C for 1 h, quenched with formic acid and diluted with ethyl acetate. The organic phase was separated and the aqueous phase extracted 2 times with ethyl acetate. The organic phases were combined and washed with a NaCl solution. The organic phase was dried over sodium sulfate, filtered and the solvent removed to give 0.195 g (100%) of the title compound. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ ppm 1.52 (s, 9 H) 7.66 - 7.74 (m, 1 H) 7.78 (s, 1 H) 7.85 (s, 1 H) 8.02 (dd, *J*=8.41, 1.76 Hz, 1 H) 8.16 (dd, *J*=10.96, 1.96 Hz, 1 H). LRMS + H<sup>+</sup> = 348.1.



**10**

tert-butyl 4-(5-(methoxycarbonyl)pyridin-2-yl)-2,2-dimethylpiperazine-1-carboxylate [10]

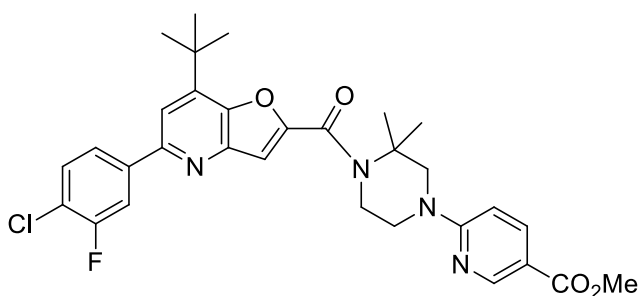
A mixture of tert-butyl 2,2-dimethylpiperazine-1-carboxylate (0.069 g, 0.32 mmol) and methyl 6-bromonicotinate (0.077 g, 0.35 mmol) in N-methylpyrrolidone was heated at 120°C in a microwave oven for 5 h. The mixture was diluted with water and extracted 2 times with ethyl acetate. The combined organic extracts were washed with a NaCl solution, dried over sodium sulfate and absorbed on SiO<sub>2</sub>. Purification on ISCO using a RediSep® column (Hx/EA; 0-30%) gave 0.056 g (50%) of the title compound. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ ppm 1.42 (s, 6 H) 1.51 (s, 9 H) 3.56 (t, *J*=7.00 Hz, 2 H) 3.86 - 3.94 (m, 7 H) 6.42 (d, *J*=9.29 Hz, 1 H) 8.06 (dd, *J*=9.05, 2.45 Hz, 1 H) 8.80 (dd, *J*=2.45, 0.73 Hz, 1 H). LRMS + H<sup>+</sup> = 350.3.



**11**

methyl 6-(3,3-dimethylpiperazin-1-yl)nicotinate (HCl salt) [11]

HCl (5.19 mL, 20.75 mmol) in 4.0 M in dioxane was added slowly to a solution of tert-butyl 4-(5-(methoxycarbonyl)pyridin-2-yl)-2,2-dimethylpiperazine-1-carboxylate (0.290 g, 0.830 mmol) in dichloromethane (4.1 mL). After 2 h, the solvent was removed and the crude taken in chloroform and the solvent was evaporated again. This was repeated a second time to yield 0.237 g of the title compound. LRMS + H<sup>+</sup> = 250.2.

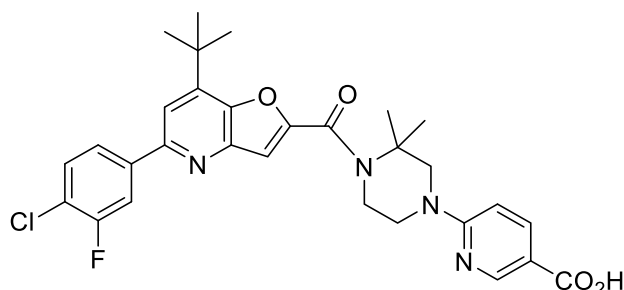


**12**

methyl 6-(4-(7-(tert-butyl)-5-(4-chloro-3-fluorophenyl)furo[3,2-b]pyridine-2-carbonyl)-3,3-dimethylpiperazin-1-yl)nicotinate [12]

2-(3H-[1,2,3]triazolo[4,5-b]pyridin-3-yl)-1,1,3,3-tetramethylisouronium hexafluorophosphate(V) (0.204 g, 0.53 mmol) was added to a solution of 7-(tert-butyl)-5-(4-chloro-3-fluorophenyl)furo[3,2-b]pyridine-2-carboxylic acid (0.170 g, 0.48 mmol) in DMF (2.4 mL). After 10 min. Hunig's base (0.42 mL, 2.4 mmol) was added followed by methyl 6-(3,3-dimethylpiperazin-1-yl)nicotinate hydrochloride (0.144 g, 0.50 mmol). After 90 min a NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution was added followed by ethyl acetate. The organic phase was separated and the aqueous phase extracted 3 times with ethyl acetate. The combined

organic phase was washed with a NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution followed by water and dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. After filtration, the solvent was removed and the crude residue purification on ISCO using a RediSep<sup>®</sup> column (Hx/EA; 0-50%) to yield 0.180 g of the title compound. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ ppm 1.57 (s, 9 H) 1.66 (s, 6 H) 3.74 (t, J=5.67 Hz, 2 H) 3.88 (s, 3 H) 4.02 (s, 2 H) 4.10 - 4.16 (m, 2 H) 6.46 (d, J=9.00 Hz, 1 H) 7.43 (s, 1 H) 7.50 (t, J=8.02 Hz, 1 H) 7.58 (s, 1 H) 7.70 - 7.78 (m, 1 H) 7.84 (dd, J=10.37, 1.76 Hz, 1 H) 8.09 (dd, J=9.00, 1.96 Hz, 1 H) 8.82 (d, J=2.35 Hz, 1 H). LRMS + H<sup>+</sup> = 579.2.



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6-(4-(7-(tert-butyl)-5-(4-chloro-3-fluorophenyl)furo[3,2-b]pyridine-2-carbonyl)-3,3-dimethylpiperazin-1-yl)nicotinic acid [I-287]

LiOH 2.0 M (0.36 mL, 0.72 mmol) was added to a solution of methyl 6-(4-(7-(tert-butyl)-5-(4-chloro-3-fluorophenyl)furo[3,2-b]pyridine-2-carbonyl)-3,3-dimethylpiperazin-1-yl)nicotinate (0.210 g, 0.36 mmol) in THF (1.4 mL) followed by the addition of methanol until one phase was obtained. The solution was then heated at 45°C for 5 h and then diluted with ethyl acetate and water. Formic acid (0.14 mL, 3.63 mmol) was added and the organic phase separated. The aqueous phase was extracted 2 times with ethyl acetate and the combined organic extracts washed with water. The solution was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and the solvent removed. Purification on ISCO using a RediSep<sup>®</sup> column (DCM/EA; 0-50%) gave 0.138 g of the title compound. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) δ ppm 1.54 (s, 6 H) 1.55 (s, 9 H) 3.68 (t, J=5.48 Hz, 2 H) 4.02 (s, 2 H) 4.12 (t, J=5.28 Hz, 2 H) 6.69 (d, J=9.39 Hz, 1 H) 7.56 (s, 1 H) 7.72 (t, J=8.02 Hz, 1 H) 7.84 (s, 1 H) 7.98 (dd, J=9.00, 2.35 Hz, 1 H) 8.04 (dd, J=8.61, 1.96 Hz, 1 H) 8.18 (dd, J=10.96, 1.96 Hz, 1 H) 8.65 (d, J=2.35 Hz, 1 H) 12.49 (br. s., 1 H). LRMS + H<sup>+</sup> = 565.2.

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