

Supplemental Figure Legends

Fig. S1. Relative expression of SLC2 family members compared to matched normal breast tissues. Volcano plots show the statistical significance of differences of relative expression of GLUT mRNA family members; GLUT8 mRNA is circled. Dashed lines show commonly used thresholds of statistical significance and fold change.

Fig. S2. Base composition of GLUT8. Base composition analysis of GLUT8 (NM_014580.4) was performed using MacVector version 17.0.5. Mononucleotide base pairing shown in plot using a base window size of 50.

Fig. S3. GLUT8 exon expression is similar across a large cancer panel. The relative frequency of each exon (1-10) of GLUT8 is shown for 33 different types of tumor, scaled for total frequency of GLUT8 mRNA (partner to Fig. 4F).

Fig. S4. Demonstration of specificity of new rabbit anti-GLUT8 antibody, BBA1. Confocal microscopy of GLUT8 expression in MB231 cells. *Top Row:* parental MB231 cells (low endogenous expression of GLUT8) were transduced lentivirus expressing shRNA-GLUT8 (sh122 or 180; described in Fig. 4A) or scramble (scr) shRNA and stained with BBA1 antibody 48 hours later. *Middle, bottom rows:* MB231 cells stably expressing exogenous C-terminal FLAG GLUT8 were transduced with lentivirus expressing shRNA-GLUT8 or scramble shRNA and stained with BBA1. The sequence of CF-GLUT8 includes silent mutations that make it non-degradable by sh180. Scale bars show 10 μ M.

Fig. S5. Lack of co-localization of GLUT8 with markers of early endosomes, peroxisomes and endoplasmic reticulum. C-terminal FLAG GLUT8 protein was visualized in MB231 cells (using anti-FLAG), together with the early endosomal marker EEA1, peroxisomal marker PMP70 or endoplasmic reticulum maker PDI.

Fig. S6. C-terminal FLAG v3 construct does not produce a FLAG tagged C-terminal peptide. **A.** *Assay of mRNA expression.* qRT-PCR assay of RNA for MB231 cells expressing the constructs indicated. RT-qPCR assay was designed to be selective for v1 and v3 (as described for Fig.4C). **B.** *Assay of protein expression.* Western blot of lysates from the same cells showing that GLUT8-v3 constructs generate neither full-length nor detectable cleaved products. **C.** The protein and nucleotide sequences of the C-terminal and N-terminal FLAG sites of GLUT8.

Fig. S7. Evaluation of fidelity of diffraction of red and green light (test of chromatic aberration). C-terminal FLAG GLUT8 protein in MB231 cells was visualized after staining with primary anti-FLAG primary antibody and a mixture of anti-mouse secondary antibodies conjugated with Alexa⁴⁸⁸ (green) or Alexa⁵⁴⁶ (red).

Fig. S8. Immunostaining of FLAG suggests masking of C-terminal FLAG epitope. MB231 cells expressing either C-terminal or N-terminal FLAG tagged GLUT8 were stained with anti-FLAG, together with EEA1 (**A**) or PDI (**B**). Compare stain with the Western blotting data of Fig. 6A, which shows that N-FLAG and C-FLAG proteins are present in approximately equal amounts.

Fig. S9. Increased GLUT8 does not protect TXNIP from degradation in starved cells re-fed amino acids. MB231 cells expressing C-terminal-FLAG tagged GLUT8 were amino acid-starved overnight, and re-fed with single amino acids (I, isoleucine; L, leucine; V, valine) or all three (ILV) for 60 minutes (each added to final concentration of 0.8mM); cells were lysed, analyzed by Western blotting, and 15 μ gs of lysate probed with the antibodies indicated.

Table S1. Evaluation of specificity of commercial antibodies to GLUT8. BBA1 (in house rabbit polyclonal anti-peptide antibody) passed the quality control assays, defined as loss of signal after knockdown of GLUT8 and gain of signal upon over-expression. The following commercial antibodies were assayed by the same criteria and did not pass:

Antibody Cat# Source	Species Type	Epitope	Method tested Western blotting (WB) Immunofluorescent stain (IF)
Anti-GLUT8 [EPR9477] #Ab169779 Abcam	Rabbit Monoclonal	Not disclosed	WB: 42kDa band is prominent. Failed to show knockdown by shRNA IF: ND
Anti-GLUT8 C-terminus #07-1407 Millipore	Rabbit Polyclonal	11 amino acids near the C-terminus	WB: Not compatible IF: Nuclear staining pattern, not decreased by shRNA expression
Anti-GLUT8 #bs-4241R Bioss	Rabbit Polyclonal	Immunogen: AAs 278-292	WB: 52, 45, 25kDa bands are prominent. Failed to show knockdown by shRNA. Does not detect overexpression of FLAG tagged GLUT8. IF: Nuclear staining pattern, not sensitive to shRNA expression. No change in signal with overexpression
Anti-GLUT8 #Ab99132 Abcam	Rabbi Polyclonal	Peptide derived from range AAs 323-372	WB: 70kDa band is prominent. Not sensitive to KD by shRNA. Does not detect overexpression of FLAG tagged GLUT8 IF: ND
Anti-GLUT8 #Ab191269, Abcam	Rabbit Polyclonal	Synthetic peptide: Amino Acids 461-477	WB: Does not detect overexpressed FLAG tagged GLUT8 or endogenous band IF: ND

Supplemental Methods

Primer sequences for qPCR

Gene name	Primer sequence (5'-3')		NCBI Ref Seq Id
	Forward	Reverse	
HPRT	CCTCATGGACTGATTATGGACAG	AATCCAGCAGGTCAGCAAAG	NM_000194
YWHAZ	AAG ACA GCA CGC TAA TAA TGC	TTG GAA GGC CGG TTA ATT TTC	NM_003406
GLUT1	TTG CAG GCT TCT CCA ACT GGA C	ACG AAC CAG GAG CAC AGT GAA G	NM_006516
GLUT8 all	ACG AAC CAG GAG CAC AGT GAA G	GAT CTC TGA CAT GAG GAG CCA G	NM_014580, NM_001271712
GLUT8 variant 1	GTT CGG GGC TGT CGT GAC	AGC ATC CAC ACG TCC TGG	NM_014580, NM_001271711
GLUT8 variant 3	TGG CGG CAG GTC TAC AT	TGC CGA CGA CGA CCA TTA	NM_001271712

Fig. S1

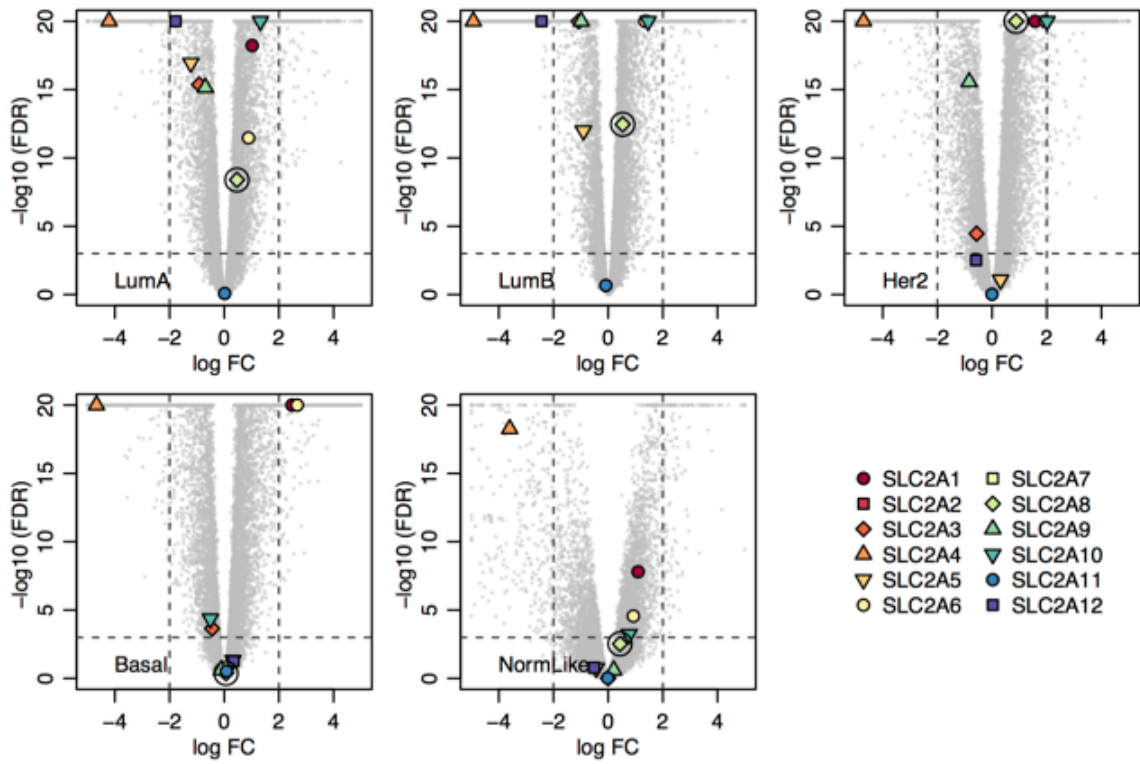


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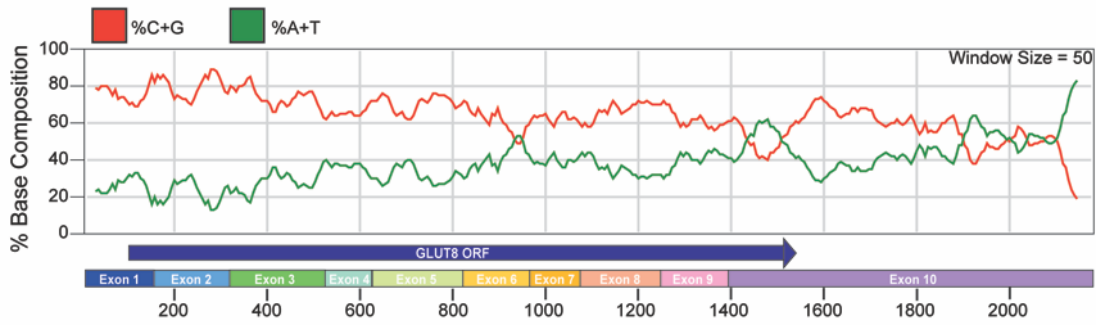


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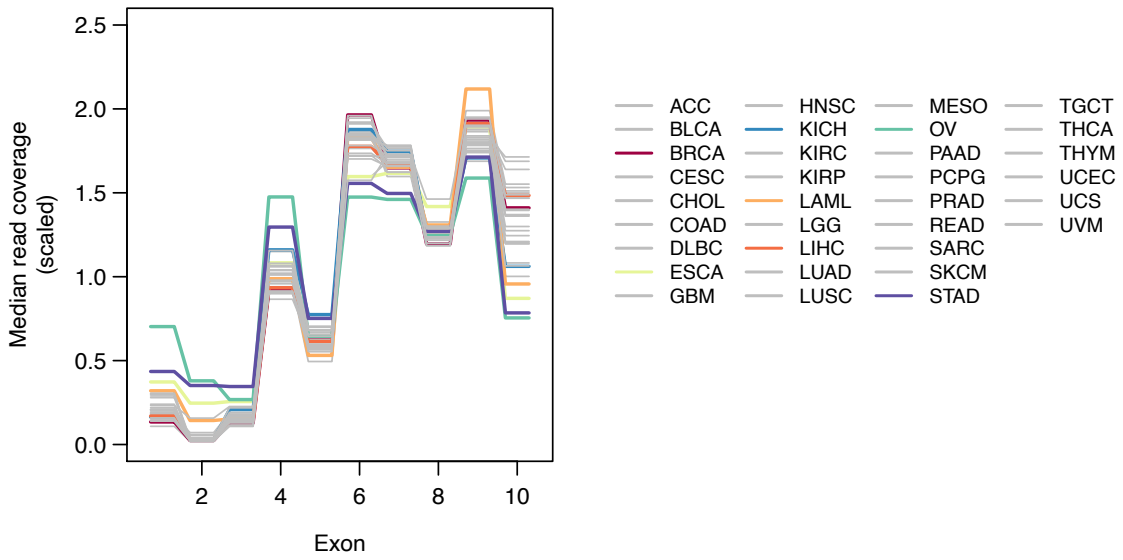


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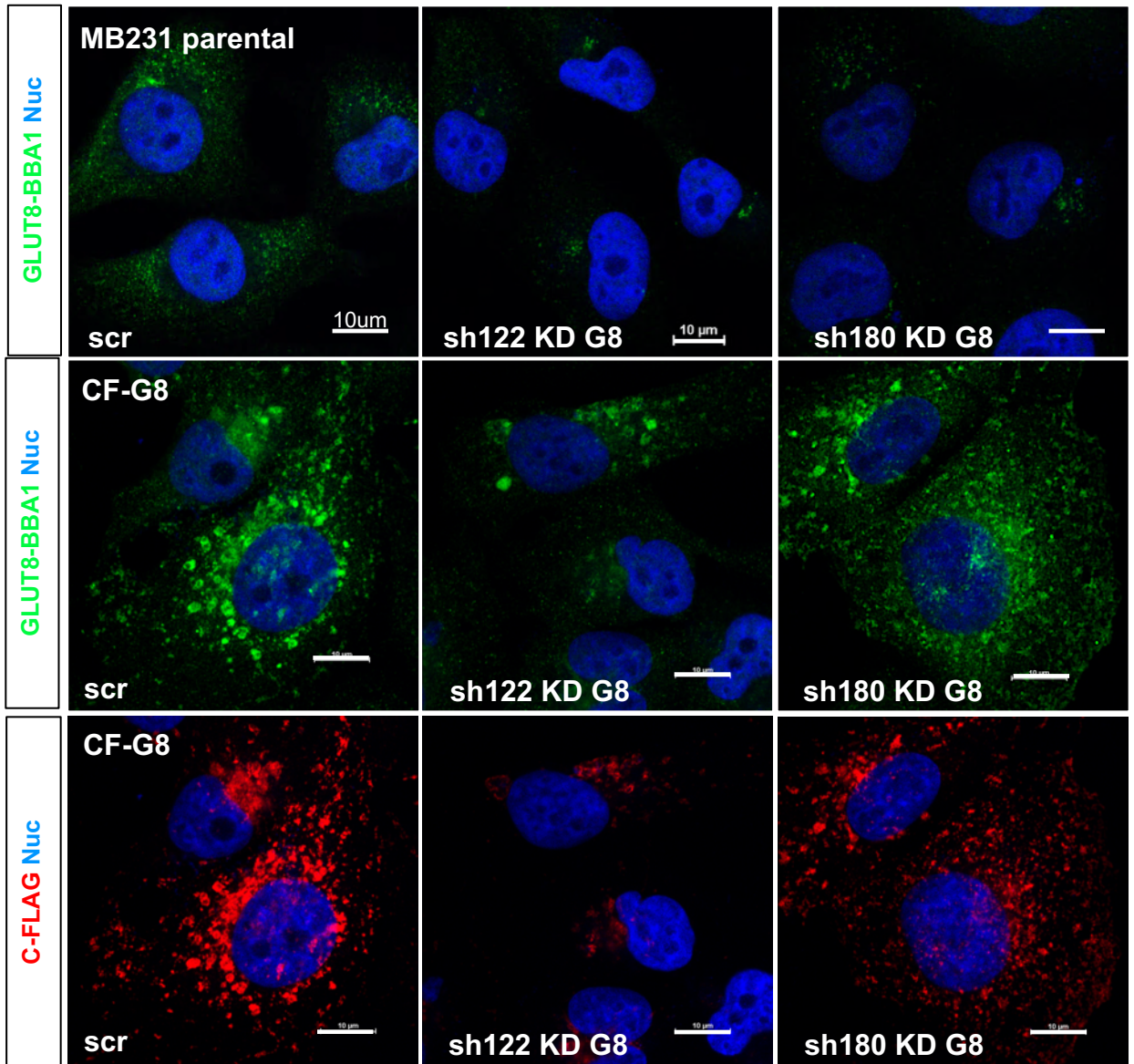


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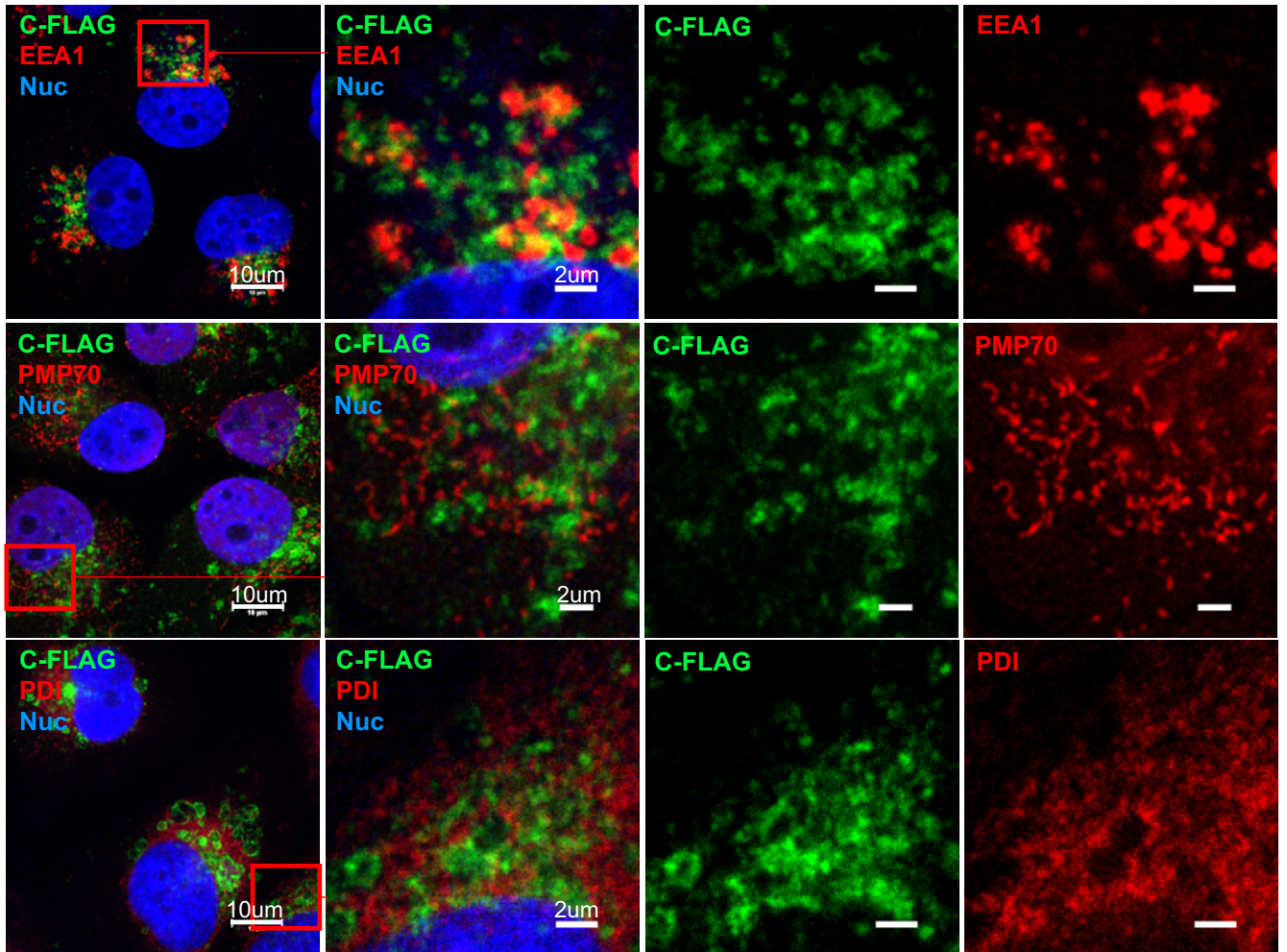


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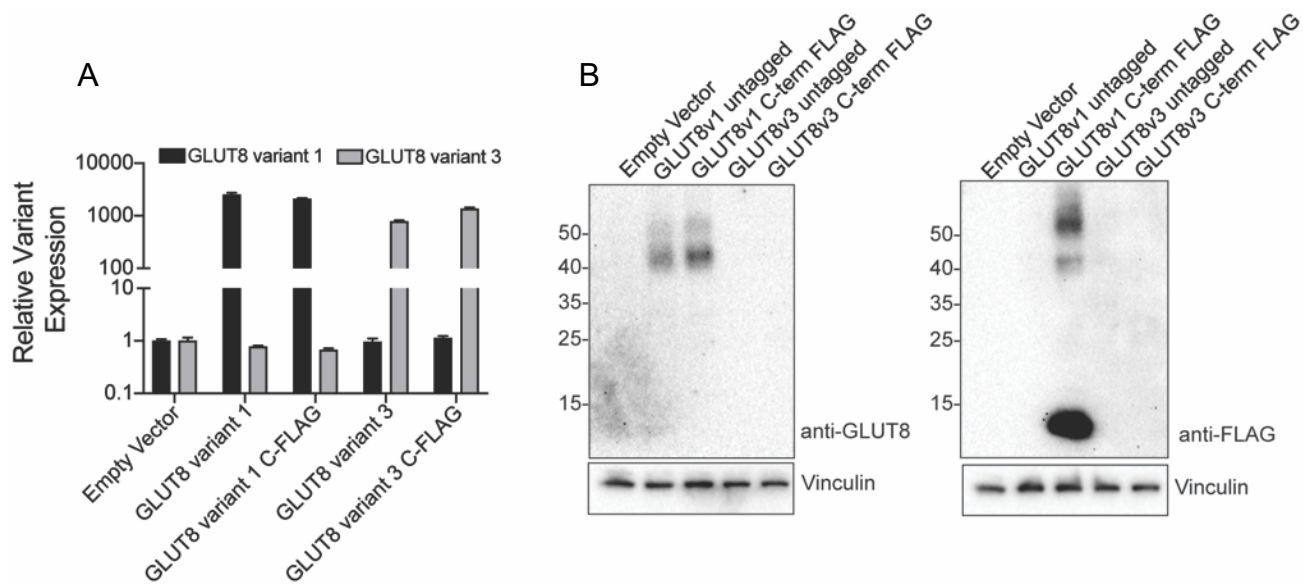


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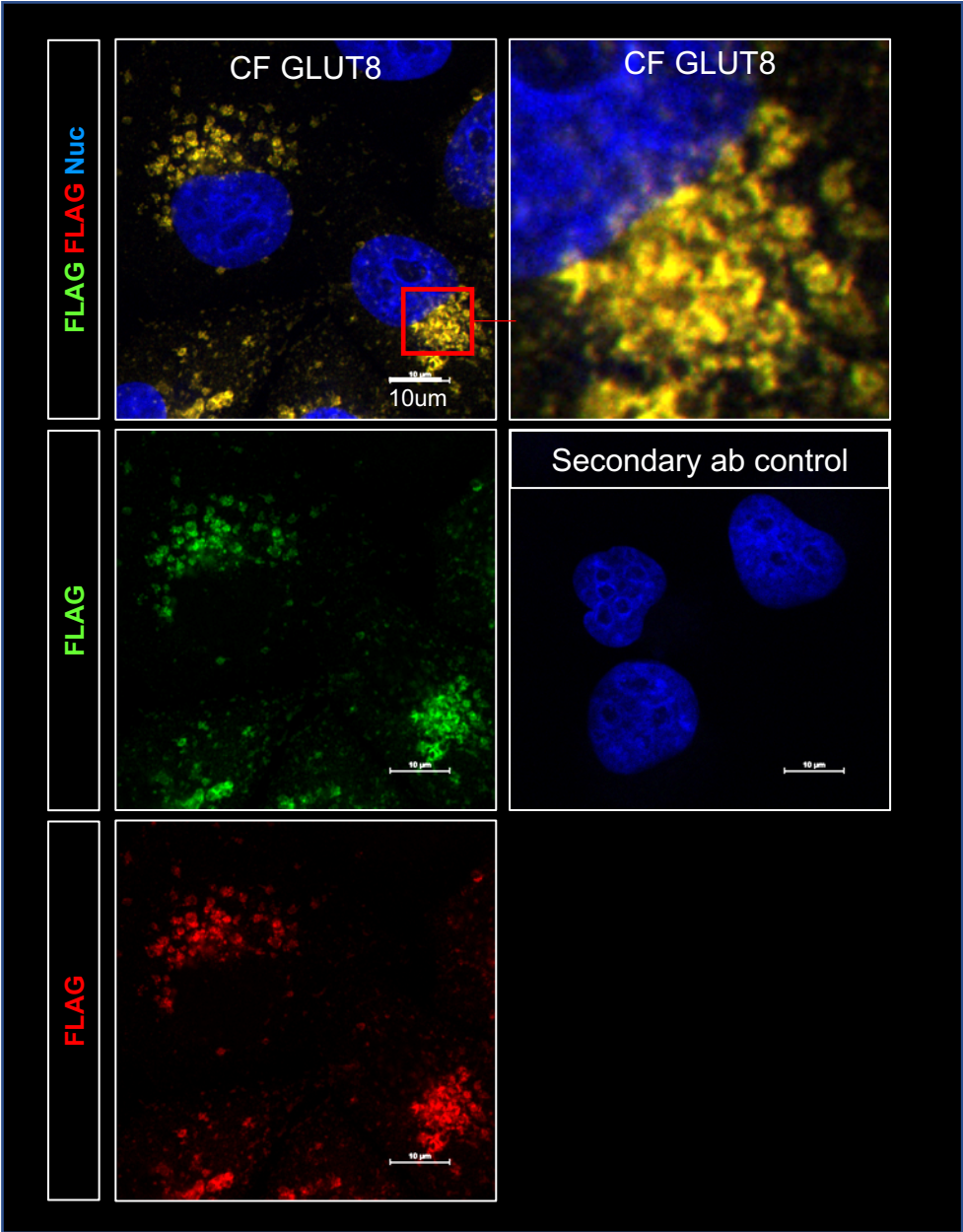


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