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1 **Title: Uncovering active modulators of native macroautophagy through novel**
2 **high-content screens**

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12 **Abstract**

13 Autophagy is an evolutionarily conserved pathway mediating the breakdown of cellular
14 proteins and organelles. Emphasizing its pivotal nature, autophagy dysfunction
15 contributes to many diseases; nevertheless, development of effective autophagy
16 modulating drugs is hampered by fundamental deficiencies in available methods for
17 measuring autophagic activity, or flux. To overcome these limitations, we introduced the
18 photoconvertible protein Dendra2 into the *MAP1LC3B* locus of human cells via
19 CRISPR/Cas9 genome editing, enabling accurate and sensitive assessments of
20 autophagy in living cells by optical pulse labeling. High-content screening of 1,500 tool
21 compounds provided construct validity for the assay and uncovered many new
22 autophagy modulators. In an expanded screen of 24,000 diverse compounds, we
23 identified additional hits with profound effects on autophagy. Further, the autophagy
24 activator NVP-BEZ235 exhibited significant neuroprotective properties in a
25 neurodegenerative disease model. These studies confirm the utility of the Dendra2-LC3
26 assay, while simultaneously highlighting new autophagy-modulating compounds that
27 display promising therapeutic effects.

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29 **Introduction**

30 Macroautophagy (hereafter referred to as autophagy) is an essential pathway for
31 protein homeostasis whereby cytoplasmic proteins and organelles are delivered to
32 lysosomes for degradation¹. Through the coordinated action of a series of autophagy-
33 related (ATG) proteins and cargo receptors including p62/SQSTM1, NBR1, and
34 optineurin², substrates are sequestered within double membrane vesicles called
35 autophagosomes. Autophagosomes mature as they traffic along microtubules and
36 eventually fuse with lysosomes to form autolysosomes, wherein hydrolases degrade
37 autophagic cargo. The protein LC3 (ATG8) is an obligate component of autophagosome
38 membranes and is itself degraded within autolysosomes. For these reasons, it often

39 serves as both a marker of autophagosomes and as a representative autophagy
40 substrate³.

41 Underscoring the critical requirement of autophagy in cellular homeostasis,
42 deletion of core autophagy genes in mice results in embryonic lethality^{4,5,6}. Accordingly,
43 dysfunctional autophagy is linked to a wide spectrum of human disease including
44 neurodegeneration, cancer, metabolic disorders, infectious and cardiovascular
45 diseases⁷. Often these conditions involve deficiencies in one or more steps of
46 autophagy, resulting in impaired clearance of potentially toxic cellular components,
47 and/or a failure to replenish amino acids required for anabolic processes. In these
48 instances, enhancing the rate of autophagic cargo clearance, commonly referred to as
49 flux, would be beneficial. Conversely, autophagy can promote tumor progression and
50 resistance to chemotherapy for some cancers^{8,9,10,11}. Here, autophagy inhibition may
51 represent a more apt therapeutic strategy⁷.

52 Autophagy is of particular importance in the central nervous system (CNS).
53 Deletion of essential autophagy genes within the CNS of mice leads to progressive
54 neurodegeneration marked by accumulation of protein aggregates^{12,13,14,15,16}. Defective
55 autophagy is a common feature of many neurodegenerative diseases including
56 Alzheimer's disease^{17,18}, Parkinson's disease^{19,20,21,22,23}, polyglutamine disorders^{24,25,26},
57 amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS)²⁷ and frontotemporal dementia (FTD)^{28,29,30,31}.
58 Moreover, mutations in several autophagy related proteins including p62/SQSTM1³²,
59 optineurin³³, C9ORF72^{34,35}, TBK1³⁶, and UBQLN2³⁷ results in familial ALS and FTD.

60 Due to its broad therapeutic potential, autophagy modulation has received
61 considerable attention as a target for drug development⁷. Nevertheless, these efforts
62 have thus far failed to translate into effective therapies for patients. This is in part due to
63 the intrinsic difficulties in measuring autophagic flux, and consequent inability of many
64 conventional and widely used autophagy assays to accurately estimate flux³. One
65 prominent limitation of these assays is an implicit reliance on the steady-state
66 abundance of pathway intermediates such as LC3-II, the lipidated isoform of LC3. Due
67 to the dynamic nature of autophagy, changes in such intermediates may equally reflect
68 increased autophagy induction or late-stage inhibition of autophagosome clearance;
69 although discriminating among these mechanisms is crucial for drug development, many
70 assays are effectively unable to do so. While lysosomal inhibitors such as bafilomycin-
71 A1 can be used to isolate autophagy induction from inhibition, this approach obscures
72 estimates of substrate clearance, perhaps the most relevant measure of autophagic flux.

73 Bafilomycin-A1 and related compounds are also inherently toxic, further confounding flux
74 measurements^{38,39}. Yet another common shortcoming is an inherent reliance on static
75 “snapshots” of separate cellular populations that cannot be followed prospectively or
76 longitudinally due to the need for cell lysis and measurement of pathway intermediates.

77 We previously developed a technique called optical pulse labeling (OPL),
78 enabling non-invasive measurements of autophagic flux in living cells without the need
79 for lysosomal inhibition⁴⁰. In this technique, LC3 is labeled with the photoconvertible
80 protein Dendra2⁴¹. Upon exposure to blue (405nm) light, Dendra2 fluorescence
81 irreversibly shifts from green to red. Since the generation of red-fluorescent Dendra2-
82 LC3 is limited by blue light, LC3 turnover can be determined independent of new protein
83 synthesis by tracking the time-dependent reduction in red fluorescence following a brief
84 pulse of blue light (Fig. 1A). LC3 is an autophagy substrate, and therefore its
85 degradation kinetics serves as a faithful proxy for estimates of autophagic flux. While
86 OPL offered several advantages over conventional assays, it was nonetheless limited by
87 its reliance on protein overexpression; in effect, Dendra2-LC3 overexpression floods the
88 pathway under investigation with an obligate substrate. Burdening the cell with non-
89 physiological concentrations of substrate might artificially prolong flux estimates, or
90 conversely enhance flux via regulatory feedback mechanisms. Moreover, because
91 autophagy regulation is intricately tied to amino acid availability^{42,43} and the ubiquitin
92 proteasome system⁴⁴, any perturbations to these pathways brought on by protein
93 overexpression may further confound measurements of flux.

94 To overcome these drawbacks, we labeled *native* LC3 with Dendra2 using
95 CRISPR/Cas9 editing, producing a novel autophagy reporter cell line capable of
96 assaying flux in living cells without the need for drug treatment, protein overexpression
97 or measurements of pathway intermediates, thus establishing a faithful reporter of
98 endogenous autophagy activity unadulterated by exogenous manipulations. Leveraging
99 this cell line for its unique perspective on autophagy and the opportunities it presents, we
100 adapted Dendra2-LC3 cells for conducting high-content screens and identified several
101 new and active autophagy modulators with promising therapeutic properties.

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103 **Results**

104 **Creation of a novel reporter of autophagic flux**

105 We employed CRISPR/Cas9 genome editing to label native LC3 by introducing
106 Dendra2 into the *MAP1LC3B* locus (encoding LC3) of human embryonic kidney (HEK)

107 cells⁴⁵ (Fig. 1B). To minimize the risk of undesired insertions/deletions via non-
108 homologous end-joining we used a dual-nickase strategy⁴⁶, in which Cas9(D10A) was
109 expressed along with two single-guide RNAs (sgRNAs) targeting sequences
110 immediately upstream and downstream of the *MAP1LC3B* start codon. Unlike wild-type
111 Cas9, Cas9(D10A) induces single-stranded nicks rather than double-stranded breaks in
112 the DNA, limiting recombination to the region marked by the sgRNAs. In addition, a
113 vector containing the Dendra2 open reading frame (ORF) flanked by 400bp of
114 homologous sequence 5' and 3' to the *MAP1LC3B* start codon was introduced to
115 facilitate homology directed repair (HDR), thereby creating a sequence encoding
116 Dendra2 fused to the N-terminus of LC3. Positive cells were selected based on Dendra2
117 fluorescence and enriched by sequential passaging until a homogenous population was
118 achieved. Western blotting confirmed the successful insertion of the Dendra2 ORF into
119 the desired locus (Fig. 1C). Transfection with siRNA targeting LC3 substantially reduced
120 both Dendra-LC3 protein levels and native GFP fluorescence, providing further
121 validation of successful on-target CRISPR editing (Fig. 1C,D).

122 In untreated cells, Dendra2-LC3 fluorescence was diffusely distributed, matching
123 the predicted localization of the non-lipidated, cytosolic LC3-I isoform (Fig. 1E,
124 Supplemental movie 1). Treatment with the potent autophagy inducer Torin1⁴⁷ elicited
125 the formation of visible fluorescent puncta and reduced the intensity of diffuse Dendra2-
126 LC3 (Fig. 1E, Supplemental movie 2), reflecting the incorporation of Dendra2-LC3 into
127 autophagosome membranes. In agreement with previous studies of autophagosome
128 dynamics^{26,48}, live cell imaging revealed that a subset of Dendra2-LC3 puncta were
129 highly mobile (Supplemental movie 2). As expected, inhibiting the clearance of
130 autophagosomes via treatment with the lysosomal V-ATPase inhibitor bafilomycin-A1
131 lead to the accumulation of large bright puncta without an accompanying decrease in
132 diffuse Dendra2-LC3 fluorescence (Supplemental movie 3). Together these data confirm
133 that Dendra2-tagged version of LC3 behaves as expected in modified HEK293T cells⁴⁰,
134 and that these cells can be used to visualize autophagy modulation by a variety of
135 stimuli.

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137 **Development and validation of an autophagic flux assay**

138 In these cells, endogenous Dendra2-LC3 could be efficiently photoconverted with
139 minimal toxicity using 4s pulses of 405nm light, producing a strong red signal (Fig. 2A)
140 concurrent with a substantial reduction in green fluorescence. Using time-lapsed

141 microscopy, we measured fluorescence intensity in both the red (TRITC) and green
142 (GFP) channels at regular intervals over the span of 13.5h. In vehicle-treated cells red
143 fluorescence decayed with a half-life of approximately 7.5h. Treatment with Torin1
144 significantly accelerated this decay, reducing Dendra2-LC3 half-life ~3-fold to 2.5h. In
145 contrast, bafilomycin-A1 completely stabilized Dendra2-LC3 and blocked the Torin1-
146 induced reduction in Dendra2-LC3 half-life (Fig. 2A, B). Thus, endogenous Dendra2-LC3
147 flux measured by OPL responds appropriately to bidirectional modulation of autophagy.

148 To confirm autophagy-dependent degradation of Dendra2-LC3 in modified HEK
149 cells, we asked whether genetic inhibition of autophagy extended Dendra-LC3 half-life.
150 HEK cells were transfected with siRNA targeting the autophagy gene ATG5⁴⁹, achieving
151 a marked reduction in ATG5 levels (Fig. S1). ATG5 knockdown attenuated Torin1's
152 effects on Dendra2-LC3 half-life but had no discernible impact on Dendra2-LC3 turnover
153 in vehicle treated cells (Fig. 2C). These data show that Dendra2-LC3 clearance in
154 response to Torin1 is mediated by autophagy, and also suggest that ATG5 expression
155 levels may be rate limiting only upon autophagy induction.

156 Consistent with effective photoconversion of Dendra2-LC3, GFP intensity
157 dropped by approximately 40% in pulsed cells, returning to pre-conversion levels within
158 13h (Fig. 2D). This return to steady-state GFP intensity likely reflects an equilibrium point
159 at which new Dendra-LC3 production is balanced with its turnover. Treatment with
160 Torin1 shifted this balance, not only preventing the return in GFP signal, but also further
161 reducing GFP intensity over time. Application of bafilomycin-A1 (Fig. 2D) or ATG5
162 knockdown (Fig. 2E) both prevented Torin1-induced reductions in Dendra2-LC3 GFP
163 intensity. Conversely, bafilomycin-A1 treatment led to a supra-physiological increase in
164 GFP signal (Fig. 2D). Thus, while the decay of photoconverted (red) Dendra2-LC3 can
165 be used to accurately measure autophagic flux because it decouples protein turnover
166 and synthesis, time-dependent changes in native (green) Dendra2-LC3 fluorescence
167 mirror those observed in the red channel, and provide complementary estimates of flux.

168 To confirm that the metabolism of endogenous Dendra2-LC3 reflects autophagic
169 flux, while simultaneously validating the use Dendra2-LC3 cells for identifying new
170 autophagy-modulating strategies, we used the cells to screen an Enzo tool compound
171 library that includes several drugs with purported effects on autophagy (Fig. 3A, Figure
172 3-source data). These experiments helped gauge the generalizability of the assay
173 beyond the effects of strong autophagy modulators such as Torin1 and bafilomycin-A1,

174 and also helped determine its ability to identify drugs that impact autophagy through a
175 variety of mechanisms.

176 Cells were imaged once prior to photoconversion to measure background RFP
177 intensity. As in previous experiments, a 4s pulse of 405nm light was used for
178 photoconversion. Imaging occurred again immediately following photoconversion to
179 determine the maximum RFP signal. All subsequent RFP intensities were normalized to
180 this value after subtraction of the measured background RFP signal. Library drugs were
181 added at 10 μ M via a robotic liquid handler, cells were imaged every 1.5h for 16h, and
182 time-dependent changes in RFP intensity were measured for each condition. Using
183 DMSO and Torin1 as negative and positive controls, respectively, we observed a Z' =.79
184 at 9h after drug application, demonstrating high sensitivity and reproducibility of the
185 assay.

186 Many canonical autophagy-modulating drugs demonstrated clear effects on
187 autophagic flux (Fig. 3A), establishing construct validity for the assay. Among
188 compounds that significantly enhanced autophagic flux were the allosteric mTOR
189 inhibitor rapamycin and the dual PI3K/mTOR inhibitors NVP-BEZ235 and PI-103. Torin1
190 and PI-103 exerted particularly strong effects in line with their action as ATP competitive
191 antagonists^{47,50}. 10-NCP, an AKT inhibitor that we previously identified as a neuronal
192 autophagy-inducing compound^{40,51}, also increased autophagic flux in Dendra2-LC3 HEK
193 cells. Rottlerin, a compound that demonstrated autophagy-enhancing effects via
194 inhibition of mTOR as well as protein kinase C (PKC) delta, greatly accelerated the
195 degradation of Dendra2-LC3^{52,53}.

196 Bafilomycin-A1, also present in the compound library, registered as a strong
197 inhibitor of Dendra2-LC3 flux (Fig. 3A), providing internal consistency with regards to our
198 initial investigations. Rather than decrease over time, the intensity of photoconverted
199 (red) Dendra2-LC3 in cells treated with bafilomycin-A1 progressively increased,
200 eventually exceeding levels immediately following photoconversion (Fig. 3B). This
201 phenomenon reflects a peculiar imaging property unique to Dendra2-linked proteins that
202 accumulate within large puncta, in the process sequestering diffuse, low-intensity signal
203 within relatively small regions (Fig. S2). Thus, the time-dependent degradation Dendra2-
204 LC3 is inhibited by bafilomycin-A1, and the observed increase in red fluorescence
205 intensity is due to the accumulation of Dendra2-LC3 within large clusters of perinuclear
206 autophagosomes.

207 The protein translation inhibitor cyclohexamide stabilized Dendra2-LC3 turnover
208 (Fig. 3A,B), in keeping with autophagy inhibition downstream of amino acid accumulation
209 and mTORC1 activation⁵⁴. This is in contrast to what is observed in the green channel,
210 where inhibiting the synthesis of Dendra2-LC3 results in a decrease in GFP
211 fluorescence as expected (Fig. 5-source data). These results highlight the pivotal ability
212 of the assay to decouple autophagy inhibition from new protein synthesis.

213 Dendra2-LC3 RFP fluorescence was also stabilized by the proteasome inhibitor
214 MG132 and the protease/proteasome inhibitor ALLN (Fig. 3A; Fig. 3-source data), albeit
215 to a far lesser degree than with bafilomycin-A1 or other strong inhibitors. This suggests
216 that while Dendra2-LC3 serves as valid reporter of autophagic flux, it is not degraded
217 exclusively via autophagy. Therefore, to confirm that hits arising from this assay were
218 indeed capable of affecting Dendra2-LC3 turnover via their actions on autophagy, we
219 tested their effects in ATG5-deficient cells. As seen with Torin1 (Fig. 2), ATG5
220 knockdown attenuated the autophagy-inducing effects of NVP-BEZ235 and rapamycin
221 (Fig. 3C,D), verifying that these drugs stimulate Dendra2-LC3 clearance by enhancing
222 autophagic flux.

223 Because of the nature of the screen, compounds exhibiting intrinsic fluorescence
224 could result in an artificially high RFP signal, leading to their subsequent
225 misclassification as autophagy inhibitors. To address this possibility we rescreened all
226 hits in unmodified HEK293 cells that do not express Dendra2. We found that 4 out of the
227 35 tested drugs, including 3 out of the 10 drugs that were identified as inhibitors,
228 exhibited intrinsic fluorescence in the RFP channel (Fig. 3-source data, Fig. S3). For
229 instance, curcumin, a purported autophagy modulator⁵⁵ with known autofluorescent
230 properties⁵⁶ produced a substantial increase in background RFP signal that precluded
231 any estimations of its effects on autophagy in this assay. In contrast, the PKC inhibitor
232 bim-1 had little effect on background fluorescence, but instead accumulated within
233 perinuclear autofluorescent puncta that resembled those observed in cells treated with
234 bafilomycin-A1. These results underscore the importance of counter-screening to
235 exclude intrinsically fluorescent drug properties that can confound or obscure results.

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237 **Establishing a high-content screening platform for autophagy modulators**

238 Using Torin1 and bafilomycin-A1, we next evaluated the sensitivity of Dendra2-
239 LC3 cells for detecting small changes in autophagic flux in a dose-dependent manner.
240 We tested the effects of 10 serial dilutions of each drug in both the GFP and RFP

241 channels. As in previous experiments, baseline GFP and background RFP
242 measurements were acquired prior to photoconversion. GFP measurements were
243 normalized to this baseline value while RFP was normalized to the background-
244 subtracted postconversion intensity. Following drug treatment, we imaged every 30m for
245 13.5h and analyzed time- and concentration-dependent effects in each channel. We
246 observed a tunable and proportional response to increasing drug concentrations for both
247 Torin1 and bafilomycin-A1 (Fig. 4A). This was perhaps most evident for bafilomycin-A1,
248 where the assay had sufficient resolution to discriminate 2nM changes in concentration
249 (Fig. 4C, E). Notably, the GFP channel was nearly as sensitive as the RFP channel for
250 detecting differences in autophagic flux (Fig. 4D, E). While the GFP fluorescence
251 gradually returned to equilibrium in vehicle treated cells over a 12h span, it continued to
252 drop with Torin1 treatment in a dose-dependent manner (Fig. 4D). Conversely, the GFP
253 intensity quickly surpassed pre-photoconversion levels in cells treated with bafilomycin-
254 A1, and the rate of increase was proportional to the drug dose (Fig. 4E). For Torin1,
255 bafilomycin-A1, rapamycin and NVP-BE2235, the dose response relationships for each
256 drug were strikingly similar between channels, producing nearly identical half maximal
257 effective concentration (EC50) and half maximal inhibitory concentration (IC50) values
258 for each compound (Fig. 4F).

259 These data indicate that both the GFP and RFP channels provide accurate
260 information regarding autophagic flux upon drug addition. Since imaging in the GFP
261 channel does not require photoconversion, experiments take only a fraction of the time
262 that would otherwise be needed to track Dendra-LC3 turnover in the RFP channel. We
263 took advantage of this fact in developing a high-throughput and high-content screening
264 platform in Dendra2-LC3 HEK cells. Cells were imaged in the GFP channel immediately
265 prior to drug addition (GFP_{0H}) and then again 15h later (GFP_{15H}). Autophagy enhancers
266 were defined as those drugs that reduce the GFP_{15H}/GFP_{0H} ratio by more than 3
267 standard deviations from the mean of vehicle (DMSO), and inhibitors as drugs that
268 increase the GFP_{15H}/GFP_{0H} ratio by more than 3 standard deviations. In 3 replicate 90/10
269 studies where 90% of wells were treated with DMSO and 10% were treated with Torin1,
270 we observed a 1% false positive rate, no false negatives, and a mean $Z'=.52$, thus
271 validating this method as a reliable primary screening assay (Fig. 5A, Table 1).

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273 **TABLE 1:** 90/10 experiments evaluating primary high-throughput screening assay.

	Experiment 1(n=96)	Experiment 2	Experiment 3
Z'	0.51	0.49	0.56
false positives	1	3	4
false negatives	0	0	0
mean DMSO-mean Torin1	0.75	1.46	1.14
DMSO SD/DMSO mean	6.40%	11%	9%

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276 We then devised a layered screening scheme where hits from the primary assay
277 were filtered based on toxicity, then subjected to a counter-screen where Dendra2-LC3
278 half-life is determined following photoconversion and imaging in the red channel. This
279 organization combines the added throughput of imaging in the green channel with the
280 ability to selectively monitor Dendra2-LC3 degradation in the red channel. Custom
281 scripts were used to exclude toxic compounds based on their effects on cell number—
282 this was particularly important since drugs that cause cells to die might significantly
283 lower GFP intensity and could therefore be misconstrued as false-positives.

284 We first applied this screening strategy to the Prestwick drug library, a collection
285 of 1,280 off-patent small molecules, 95% of which have gained regulatory approval by
286 the FDA, EMA and other agencies. Eighteen compounds were filtered out due to toxicity;
287 17 of which would have otherwise been identified as autophagy enhancers due to their
288 ability to significantly reduce GFP intensity. Among the remaining compounds, 129
289 exhibited significant effects on Dendra2-LC3 levels, with 88 significantly reducing the
290 GFP_{15H}/GFP_{0H} ratio (i.e. enhancing autophagy) and 41 increasing the ratio (i.e. inhibiting
291 autophagy) (Fig. 5B, Fig. 5-source data).

292 We also assessed the frequency of Dendra2-LC3 puncta—corresponding to
293 autophagosomes—in treated cells, since a change in the number or size of puncta could
294 indicate either autophagy induction or late-stage autophagy inhibition³. In fact, 2 previous
295 high-throughput screens utilized changes in LC3 puncta number to identify autophagy
296 modulators^{57,58}. In native Dendra2-LC3 cells, we observed an increase in Dendra2-LC3
297 puncta number in response to 38 drugs, but only 13 of these compounds significantly
298 affected autophagic flux in the primary screen. Among these 13, 11 reduced the
299 GFP_{15H}/GFP_{0H} ratio and were counted as enhancers, while 2 compounds acted as
300 inhibitors and increased the GFP_{15H}/GFP_{0H} ratio (Fig. 5B, Fig. 5-source data).

301 All 129 hits, along with 2 drugs that narrowly missed significance in the primary
302 assay, were then evaluated for their ability to affect the degradation of photoconverted
303 Dendra2-LC3. 17 compounds (13%) significantly modulated autophagic flux; of these, 11
304 enhanced flux and 6 inhibited it. Counter-screening in unmodified HEK cells uncovered
305 two drugs, diacerein and mitoxantrone, with intrinsic red fluorescence independent of
306 their effects on autophagy Fig. 5-source data, Fig. S3).

307 Among notable enhancers were the antiarrhythmic drugs digoxigenin, a
308 metabolite of digoxin, and clofilium tosylate. Ciclopirox olamine, an off-patent anti-fungal
309 agent found in both the Prestwick and Enzo libraries, potently enhanced autophagy.

310 Similarly, the anthelmintic niclosamide inhibited autophagy to a comparable extent as
311 bafilomycin-A1 in the Enzo compound screen, and was the strongest inhibitor tested in
312 the Prestwick library, demonstrating significant consistency of the assay across different
313 libraries. As seen previously, cyclohexamide modestly stabilized photoconverted (red)
314 Dendra2-LC3, despite lowering green Dendra2-LC3 levels in the primary screen. This
315 ability to exclude compounds that lower LC3 levels due to translation inhibition
316 demonstrates the value of screening in both the GFP and RFP channels. These data,
317 along with the observation that 87% of primary screen “enhancers” failed to stimulate
318 autophagy in counter-screening, suggest that the primary screen is a sensitive but not
319 specific method to identify autophagy enhancers, but the added selectivity of the
320 secondary screen provides a means to successfully filter out false enhancers.

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322 **An expanded screen identifies novel autophagy inhibitors**

323 Our data indicate that Dendra2-LC3 cells provide a robust, accurate and precise
324 measure of autophagic flux that can be readily adapted for compound screening. To
325 identify new autophagy modulating drugs, we took advantage of the screening assay we
326 developed to investigate a library of 24,000 drugs spanning considerable chemical
327 diversity curated from the Maybridge library. In our screen of the Prestwick library a large
328 percentage of hits from the primary screen (time-dependent changes in the GFP
329 intensity) failed to show an effect in the secondary assay (time-dependent changes in
330 RFP intensity post-photoconversion). Since we aimed to test ~20 times as many
331 compounds as before, we chose to filter out false positives by repeating the primary
332 assay and retesting hits after exclusion of toxic compounds, before progressing to
333 secondary screening involving clearance of photoconverted Dendra2-LC3. We also
334 confirmed each hit by repeating the secondary screen prior to further filtering based on
335 the solubility and permeability of each hit. Finally, the intrinsic fluorescence of each
336 candidate compound was assessed in unmodified HEK239T cells, and all remaining hits
337 were confirmed using orthogonal flux assays (Fig. 6A).

338 Similar to the 10% hit rate observed with the Prestwick library, we identified 2160
339 compounds (9%) as potential autophagy modulators from the primary screen. Of these,
340 1958 registered as autophagy enhancers, and 202 as inhibitors. Upon repeating the
341 screen after excluding toxic compounds, 232 candidates (1%) remained as hits,
342 underscoring the need to repeat the primary screen. The retest reduced the number of
343 enhancers more than 10-fold while decreasing the number of inhibitors by a factor of 2.4,

344 demonstrating a predilection towards false-enhancers in the primary screen. Following
345 the secondary screen and retest, 23 compounds remained. Notably, all enhancers
346 identified in the primary screen failed to pass the secondary screens (Fig. 6B, Table 2).

347 Of the 23 candidate autophagy inhibitors, 7 were excluded based on limited
348 solubility and permeability, and 11 more were discarded upon acquisition of fresh
349 powder from commercial sources. Among the 5 remaining autophagy inhibitors (Fig 6C,
350 Table 2), the top 3 candidates consistently tested among the most potent inhibitors in all
351 assays. Additionally, each compound elicited a dramatic perinuclear accumulation of
352 Dendra2-LC3 in modified HEK293T cells (Fig. 6C), suggestive of a late-stage block in
353 autophagosome maturation.

354 We next sought to validate the ability of these compounds to inhibit autophagy
355 using an alternative flux assay. To do so we utilized a HeLa cell line stably
356 overexpressing the tandem RFP-GFP-LC3 reporter⁵⁹. In this system, LC3 is fused to an
357 acid-sensitive GFP as well as an acid-insensitive RFP. Upon progression from
358 autophagosome to autolysosome, GFP fluorescence is quenched as the sensor enters
359 an acidic environment. Application of autophagy inhibitors such as bafilomycin-A1 that
360 inhibit lysosomal acidification result in the appearance of GFP(+)/RFP(+) (yellow)
361 autophagosomes (Fig. S4A). All 5 of the newly-identified compounds significantly
362 increased yellow puncta accumulation in RFP-GFP-LC3 HeLa cells, indicative of
363 effective autophagy inhibition. To assess this effect in an automated and unbiased
364 manner, we developed an image analysis pipeline that identifies cytoplasmic puncta and
365 reports the fraction of GFP(+)/RFP(+) puncta (Fig. S4B). Using this pipeline we observed
366 dose-dependent effects for each compound across similar concentration ranges as
367 those observed in Dendra2-LC3 HEK293T cells (Fig. S4C; Fig. S5). After 12h, all
368 compounds save #2 had reached their maximal response (Fig. S4D). Compounds 1,4,
369 and 5 exerted more than half their maximum effect immediately after drug addition.
370 Quinacrine, a previously reported autophagy inhibitor⁶⁰, showed similar kinetics (Fig.
371 S4E), while the response of compound 3 more closely matched the kinetics of
372 bafilomycin-A1.

373 We next asked whether these compounds exhibited intrinsic fluorescence that
374 might interfere with our assessment of autophagic flux. Compound 4 did not produce red
375 fluorescence at any concentration tested, but we observed dose-dependent red
376 fluorescence for all other compounds (Fig. S5A). Even so, each compound inhibited
377 autophagy in both flux assays at concentrations where intrinsic fluorescence is minimal

378 (Fig. S5B). In the green channel, all drugs produced significant green fluorescence with
379 the exception of compound 4. Application of compound 3 resulted in the appearance of
380 bright perinuclear puncta that could confound estimates of GFP(+)/RFP(+) puncta in
381 HeLa cells. Indeed, in this assay a lower concentration of compound 3 was needed to
382 exert an effect than in the Dendra2-LC3 flux assay, which should be unaffected by
383 changes in green fluorescence (Fig. S5B).

384 To exclude any possible contribution of fluorescence in the measurement of flux,
385 we assessed autophagy inhibition using an orthogonal assay that does not rely on
386 fluorescent readouts. Treatment with compounds 1 and 2 resulted in a significant and
387 reproducible accumulation of LC3-II by western blotting, indicative of impaired
388 autophagosome clearance (Fig. 6D,E). Together these data demonstrate that both
389 compounds are indeed autophagy inhibitors; however, the intrinsic fluorescence of
390 compound 2, and to a lesser extent compound 1, can complicate readouts of flux in
391 fluorescence-based autophagy assays.

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393 **TABLE 2:** Summary of Maybridge library screen and orthogonal autophagic flux assays.

Phase	# compounds	%	Enhancer	Inhibitor
Maybridge Library	24000	100	NA	NA
Primary	2160	9	1958	202
Primary confirmation	232	0.97	148	84
Secondary	41	0.17	3	39
Secondary confirmation	23	0.1	0	23
passed med chem filters	16	0.07	0	16
retest reordered drugs	5	0.02	0	5
GFP-RFP-LC3 HeLa	5	0.02	0	5
LC3II western blot	2	0.01	0	2

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395 **Enhancing autophagic flux suppresses toxicity in a primary neuron model of ALS**

396 We previously demonstrated that autophagy induction using a family of small
397 molecules protected against TDP43-mediated toxicity in models of ALS/FTD⁴⁰. Here we
398 sought to test whether any enhancers identified in our compound screens conferred
399 similar neuroprotection. To accomplish this we turned to automated fluorescence
400 microscopy (AFM), a technology capable of individually tracking thousands of cells
401 prospectively over time^{61,62}. Primary rodent spinal and cortical neurons were transfected
402 with Dendra2-LC3, photoconverted with a brief pulse of blue light and imaged by AFM
403 (Fig. 7A). Because the platform measures single-cell intensity within the TRITC channel
404 over time, we are able to calculate a half-life for Dendra2-LC3, corresponding to
405 autophagic flux, within each neuron. Cortical neurons exhibited slightly higher basal
406 rates of autophagy than spinal neurons, with a mean single-cell Dendra2-LC3 half-life of
407 33.2h compared to 37.1h seen in spinal neurons (Fig. S6A,B, $p=7.1 \times 10^{-4}$, Welch two
408 sample t-test).

409 We also determined the lifespan of each neuron using custom scripts that assign
410 a time of death for each cell^{62,63}. To assess the relationship between basal rates of
411 autophagy in neurons and their survival, we incorporated Dendra2-LC3 half-life as a
412 continuous variable into a Cox proportional hazards model of neuronal survival⁶⁴ (Fig.
413 7B). For both cortical and spinal neurons, rapid turnover of Dendra2-LC3 was associated
414 with extended lifespan (Fig. 7C, cortical: $p=3.4 \times 10^{-9}$, spinal $p=1.1 \times 10^{-6}$, Cox hazards
415 analysis). These results indicate that higher rates of basal autophagic flux are
416 associated with prolonged neuronal survival *in vitro*, providing further rationale for the
417 development of autophagy activators for neurodegenerative diseases.

418 NVP-BEZ235 (dactolisib) was among the most potent autophagy enhancers
419 identified using Dendra2-LC3 HEK cells (Figs. 3,4). In light of our prior data attesting to
420 the benefit of autophagy induction in ALS/FTD models and the proportional relationship
421 between autophagic flux and neuronal survival (Fig. 7C), we predicted that NVP-BEZ235
422 could prevent neurodegeneration in disease models. We therefore tested this compound
423 in neurons overexpressing TDP43, an RNA binding protein whose accumulation is
424 integrally connected with both ALS and FTD^{65,66}. In prior studies, TDP43 overexpression
425 reproduced characteristic features of disease, including the formation of ubiquitin- and
426 TDP43-positive neuronal inclusions, cytoplasmic TDP43 mislocalization, and
427 neurodegeneration^{40,67,68}. As expected, TDP43 overexpression resulted in an increase in
428 the risk of death in comparison to neurons transfected with EGFP, a control protein.

429 Treatment with NVP-BEZ235 significantly prolonged the survival of neurons
430 overexpressing TDP43 ($p < 0.05$, HR=0.89, Cox hazards analysis), without adversely
431 affecting EGFP-expressing neurons (Fig. 7D, Table 3). These data demonstrate the
432 therapeutic potential of NVP-BEZ235 as an autophagy inducer capable of extending
433 neuronal survival in ALS/FTD models.
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435 **TABLE 3:** Summary of Cox proportional hazards analysis

Comparison	Hazard Ratio	p-value
GFP/DMSO vs. TDP43-GFP/DMSO	1.74	1.02E-18
GFP/DMSO vs. GFP/25nM NVP-BEZ235	1.02	0.67
WT-TDP43-GFP DMSO vs. WT-TDP43-GFP/ 25nM NVPBEZ235	0.89	0.03

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438 **Discussion**

439 In this study we developed a unique human reporter cell line enabling the non-
440 invasive measure of autophagic flux in living cells, without interference from pathway
441 intermediates or potentially toxic pathway inhibitors. Building on previous efforts to
442 isolate autophagic clearance from induction^{69,40,59}, here we created a system with the
443 pivotal capacity to assess *native* autophagic flux, thereby avoiding several basic
444 confounds associated with overexpression of autophagy reporters^{70,71}. This is of
445 particular relevance considering the intersection between autophagy and nutrient/energy
446 sensing⁴², the role of microtubule associated transport in autophagosome maturation⁴⁸,
447 and the crosstalk between autophagy and the ubiquitin proteasome system⁴⁴. Increasing
448 protein dosage can also induce aberrant aggregation of misfolded proteins, and
449 influence the likelihood of protein phase separation^{70,72}. Beyond the potential toxicity
450 associated with these outcomes, overexpression of LC3 and LC3-based reporters is
451 sufficient to produce visible puncta that could be mistaken for autophagosomes.

452 Through the targeted insertion of Dendra2 into the *MAP1LC3B* locus, we
453 generated reporter cell lines in which Dendra2-LC3 expression is driven by the
454 endogenous *MAP1LC3B* promoter. As such, the baseline fluorescence intensity of non-
455 photoconverted (green) Dendra2-LC3 reflects the steady-state balance between LC3
456 synthesis and degradation. We took advantage of this relationship to quickly and
457 accurately gauge the effects of compounds that enhance or inhibit autophagy, without
458 the need for photoconversion of Dendra2-LC3. Such an approach can be problematic in
459 overexpression-based systems, but it provided a robust means of estimating autophagic
460 flux on a high-throughput basis in Dendra2-LC3 HEK cells. Future studies employing a
461 full bleach or photoconversion of Dendra2-LC3 could be useful for investigating
462 autophagy regulation at the level of transcription or protein synthesis, and for identifying
463 genetic and/or pharmacologic approaches that induce autophagy at an early stage.

464 Previous high-throughput screens for autophagy modulators utilized the
465 formation of LC3-positive puncta as the major criterion for autophagy induction^{58,57}. As
466 late stage autophagy inhibition is equally effective as autophagy induction for triggering
467 the accumulation of LC3 puncta, such analyses are unable to discriminate whether a
468 drug truly enhances or blocks flux. For example, the drugs loperamide and astemizole,
469 two drugs found here to enhance flux, were also identified as potential autophagy
470 inducers based on their ability to increase LC3 puncta⁵⁸. However, niclosamide was also
471 labeled as an inducer because of its effect on LC3 puncta, but was in fact a strong

472 inhibitor of flux in Dendra2-LC3 cells. Further supporting the apparent disconnect
473 between puncta number and autophagic activity, we identified several compounds that
474 increased Dendra2-LC3 puncta without markedly impacting Dendra2-LC3 levels (Fig.
475 5A). As such, reporters that judge the clearance of autophagy substrates are intrinsically
476 more suited to gauging autophagic flux than are those that focus on pathway
477 intermediates such as autophagosome number. Because autophagy is a dynamic
478 pathway that requires coordinated regulation of several critical steps, increasing
479 autophagy *induction* without an accompanying downstream increase in substrate
480 clearance is likely to be of little therapeutic benefit and may even be maladaptive^{73,74}.
481 Therefore, we placed particular emphasis on enhancing *productive* autophagy and the
482 measurement of autophagic flux through the use of non-invasive reporters.

483 In comparison to alternative methods for measuring autophagic flux, Dendra2-
484 LC3 cells offer unique advantages. Not only do these cells afford the only means of
485 estimating *native* autophagic flux in living cells, but they also preclude the need for
486 overexpression of LC3 analogues, thereby avoiding many of the pitfalls that plague other
487 approaches. For instance, while the GFP-LC3-RFP-LC3 Δ G reporter⁶⁹ is likewise capable
488 of discriminating LC3 synthesis from degradation, measurements of autophagic flux
489 using this probe require relating the degradation rates of two proteins, one of which is an
490 autophagy marker and substrate (GFP-LC3) and another that is untethered within the
491 cytoplasm (RFP-LC3 Δ G). Conditions that stabilize RFP-LC3 Δ G without accelerating
492 GFP-LC3 clearance could be misinterpreted as increasing flux. Supporting this notion, in
493 a screen using the GFP-LC3-RFP-LC3 Δ G reporter, MG132 was identified as an
494 autophagy enhancer⁶⁹, while we found that MG132 instead stabilized Dendra2-LC3.
495 Conversely, compounds such as loperamide that enhance proteolytic clearance via the
496 ubiquitin-proteasome pathway⁷⁵ may be mislabeled as autophagy inhibitors because of
497 their preferential effects on RFP-LC3 Δ G.

498 Several drugs purported to stimulate autophagy—including trehalose^{76,77},
499 metformin^{78,79,80,81}, and carbamazepine^{82,83,84}—failed to do so in our Dendra2-LC3 cell
500 line. Despite promising results in mouse models of Huntington's disease⁷⁶, ALS⁸⁵, and
501 Parkinson's disease⁸⁶, evidence that trehalose induces autophagy is variable, with some
502 studies claiming that the drug actually inhibits flux^{87,88,69}. Likewise, the ability of
503 carbamazepine to enhance autophagic flux and prevent neurodegeneration was based
504 upon changes in steady-state levels of autophagy intermediates^{83,84}. Our data suggest
505 that the protective effects of these drugs may not be a result of autophagy stimulation.

506 However, the discrepancy in findings may be due to the high concentration of these
507 drugs used in previous studies^{81,79,80,89,77,82} relative to the 10uM dose used in our
508 screens, as well as species and cell type specific differences.

509 Our screen of the Maybridge library suggests that uncovering novel autophagy
510 enhancers may be considerably more challenging than inhibitors. Testing larger libraries
511 or incorporating iterative chemical synthesis guided by structure-activity relationships⁵⁰
512 may be required to effectively identify new autophagy-inducing compounds. Even so,
513 compounds 1 and 2 were repeatedly found to inhibit autophagy in Dendra2-LC3 cells,
514 RFP-GFP-HeLa cells, and via immunoblotting. While these drugs hold potential for the
515 treatment of neoplasms that rely on autophagy for survival, their potency, activity, and
516 bioavailability could be improved through similar means.

517 Despite the broad therapeutic potential of autophagy modulation, there are no
518 clinically-approved drugs that have been specifically developed to target autophagy⁷.
519 Our work with NVP-BEZ235 presents a potential template to evaluate the efficacy of
520 putative autophagy modulators. We validated the autophagy-enhancing effects of the
521 compound in Dendra2-LC3 HEK293T cells, and further utilized these cells to establish a
522 dose-response relationship that informed subsequent studies demonstrating the drug's
523 therapeutic effects in a model of ALS and FTD. Given previous data indicating the ability
524 of NVP-BEZ235 to suppress amyloid- β induced neurotoxicity⁹⁰, and our results showing
525 its potential in a model of ALS and FTD, this compound may be broadly effective in
526 stimulating autophagy and preventing neuron loss arising from the accumulation of
527 misfolded proteins in Alzheimer's disease as well as ALS, FTD, and related conditions.

528 Autophagy has alternatively been reported to play protective or detrimental roles
529 in ALS^{91,92}. In our previous work, pharmacological activation of neuronal autophagy
530 suppressed TDP43 mediated toxicity⁴⁰. This is in accordance with the protective effects
531 of rapamycin in a TDP43 mouse model⁸⁴. In contrast, rapamycin administration in SOD1
532 mice exacerbated muscle degeneration and shortened lifespan⁹³. One study in which
533 autophagy was genetically ablated from motor neurons in SOD1 (G93A) mice provided
534 further insight into the conflicting roles of autophagy in ALS⁷³. Loss of autophagy in
535 motor neurons accelerated disease onset but also prolonged survival. This study
536 suggested that early in disease autophagy plays a critical role in the maintenance of
537 neuromuscular junctions. However, at later stages it promotes disease progression in a
538 non-cell-autonomous manner. Our work further supports a protective role of autophagy
539 enhancement in ameliorating toxicity associated with the accumulation of TDP43. Future

540 studies may determine whether NVP-BEZ235 confers similar beneficial effects in other
541 disease models involving SOD1 or RNA binding proteins related to TDP43. Even so,
542 neurons respond poorly to most autophagy-inducing stimuli, making them a particularly
543 challenging cell type to target for therapy development^{51,94,95}. Additional investigations
544 involving the introduction of Dendra2 into the *MAP1LC3B* locus of induced pluripotent
545 stem cells may be critical for defining the cell type-specific mechanisms governing
546 autophagy within neurons and other cell types.

547 While this technology represents a considerable advancement, it is not without
548 limitations. Chief among these is the reliance on reductions in Dendra2-LC3 signal
549 intensity to indicate enhanced flux. For this reason, we developed automated programs
550 to selectively remove drugs with toxic effects that might otherwise be misclassified as
551 false-positives. Since HEK293T cells are actively dividing, compounds that merely inhibit
552 growth rate may also be falsely identified as enhancers when measuring GFP
553 fluorescence, necessitating the use of counter-screens involving the measurement of
554 photoconverted (red) Dendra2-LC3 half-life to eliminate these false-positives from the
555 final pool of candidate compounds. We imaged multiple frames/well and multiple wells to
556 account for autofluorescence artifacts that are common in the red channel, but the use of
557 brighter fluorophores or photoconvertible fluorescent proteins that emit in the far-red
558 wavelengths may avoid these complications⁹⁶.

559 Additionally, due to the assay's reliance on measuring fluorescent intensity,
560 drugs that exhibit intrinsic fluorescence can confound flux measurements. In unlabeled
561 HEK293T cells, compound 3 from the Maybridge library screen and the drug Bim-1
562 accumulated within bright fluorescent perinuclear puncta with striking resemblance to
563 puncta observed in bafilomycin-A1 treated Dendra2-LC3 HEK293T cells (Fig. S3). We
564 therefore counter-screened all candidates in unlabeled HEK293T cells and eliminated
565 those exhibiting intrinsic fluorescence at the concentrations tested. We also confirmed
566 autophagy inhibition using a non-imaging based flux assay. Despite the fact that all 5
567 Maybridge library hits demonstrated autophagy-inhibiting properties in RFP-GFP-LC3
568 expressing HeLa cells, immunoblotting revealed that only compounds 1 and 2 produced
569 a significant increase in LC3-II levels. Therefore, due to its reliance on measuring
570 fluorescence intensity, the RFP-GFP-LC3 flux assay suffers from the same problem in
571 misidentifying intrinsically fluorescent drugs as inhibitors. Any fluorescence-based
572 autophagy assays are likely to be similarly impacted by intrinsic fluorescence,
573 emphasizing the need to account for these effects in screening efforts.

574 Ideally, future studies will evaluate autophagic flux using complimentary reporters
575 that provide valuable information on mechanism of action, in addition to magnitude and
576 potency. Such an approach, coupled with a shift toward analyzing the productive
577 autophagic clearance of substrates expressed at endogenous levels, promises to
578 accelerate and facilitate the discovery of novel autophagy-modulating compounds with
579 wide-ranging therapeutic potential.

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581 **Methods**

582 **Cell Culture**

583 HEK293T Dendra2-LC3 and HeLa RFP-GFP-LC3 cells were cultured in HEK complete
584 media consisting of Dulbecco's Modified Eagle Medium (DMEM) (GIBCO, Waltham, MA,
585 cat #: 11995-065) supplemented with 20% fetal bovine serum, 1% GlutaMAX (GIBCO,
586 cat #: 35050-061) and penicillin-streptomycin. For imaging experiments cells were
587 placed in Neumo media (Cell Guidance Systems, Cambridge, UK, cat #: M07-500) with
588 SOS supplement (Cell Guidance Systems, cat #: M09-50).

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590 **CRISPR editing**

591 Single guide RNA pairs (sgRNAs; Table 4) were selected using the CRISPR design tool
592 available at <http://crispr.mit.edu/>. Sense and antisense oligonucleotides encoding each
593 sgRNA (Table 4) were annealed and inserted into the BbsI site of the pX335 vector
594 (Addgene, 42335), according to protocols available on the Addgene website.

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596 **TABLE 4:** Sense and antisense oligonucleotides cloned into pX335 plasmid

oligo	sequence
LC3bD2_Forward_Sense	CAC CGT TCG GTG AGT GTC GCC GCG A
LC3bD2_Forward_Antisense	AAA CTC GCG GCG ACA CTC ACC GAA C
LC3bD2_Reverse_Sense	CAC CGT TCT CCG ACG GCA TGG TGC A
LC3bD2_Reverse_Antisense	AAA CTG CAC CAT GCC GTC GGA GAA C

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599 The homology directed repair (HDR) donor vector was synthesized in the
600 pUCminusMCS backbone by Blue Heron Biotechnology (Bothell, WA). The donor
601 sequence consisted of the Dendra2 ORF flanked by 400bp of homologous sequence
602 upstream and downstream of *MAP1LC3B* start codon. 1.25ug of pX335-Forward-
603 sgRNA, 1.25ug of pX335-Reverse-sgRNA, and 2.5ug of the homology donor were
604 transfected into HEK-293T cells using lipofectamine 2000 (Invitrogen, Waltham, MA),
605 according to the manufacturers suggested protocol. Cells were selected based on
606 fluorescence and passaged to homogeneity.

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608 **Western Blotting and antibodies**

609 HEK293T cells were lysed in RIPA buffer (Thermo, Waltham, MA, cat #89900) containing
610 protease inhibitors (Roche, Basel, Switzerland, cat #11836170001).

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612 **TABLE 5:** Antibodies used in this study

Antibody	dilution	manufacturer	Cat #
Rabbit anti-LC3	1:1000	Cell Signaling	2775S
Rabbit anti-ATG5	1:1000	Cell Signaling	129945
Mouse anti-GAPDH	1:1000	Millipore	MAB374
Donkey anti-Mouse iRDye 680RD	1:10,000	LICOR	926-68072
Donkey anti-Rabbit iRDye 800CW	1:10,000	LICOR	926-32213

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614 **siRNA knockdown**

615 HEK293T cells were plated at 60% confluency, then transfected the next day using
616 DharmaFECT 1 Transfection reagent (Dharmacon, LaFayette, CO, T-2001-02) and the
617 following siRNAs from Dharmacon: ON-TARGETplus ATG5 Smartpool siRNA (L-
618 004374-00-0005), ON-TARGETplus MAP1LC3B Smartpool siRNA (L-012846-00-0005)
619 or non-targeting siRNA (D-001810-01-05), at a concentration of either 20nM and 40nM.
620 Cells were imaged and lysates were collected 2d after siRNA transfection.

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622 **Primary screen**

623 HEK293T Dendra2-LC3 cells were plated in HEK complete media at 1.1×10^5 cells/mL on
624 ViewPlate 384w plates (Perkin Elmer, Waltham, MA, cat #: 6007460) using a Multidrop
625 Combi (Thermo Scientific, cat #: 5840300), adding 50uL to each well. Approximately 48h
626 later, and immediately prior to imaging, HEK complete media was exchanged with
627 Neumo+SOS media using a Biomek FX^P laboratory automation workstation (Beckman
628 Coulter, Brea, CA). To avoid dislodging cells during the media exchange, 35uL of the
629 HEK media was removed and replaced with 45uL Neumo+SOS. Another 45uL was
630 removed and replaced with Neumo+SOS, effectively diluting out the concentration of
631 HEK complete media to 6.25%. Cells were imaged with an ImageXpress Micro
632 (Molecular Devices, San Jose, CA) equipped with a 20x objective lens. After imaging in
633 the GFP channel (Semrock, Rochester, NY, FITC-3540B-NTE-ZERO filter) to measure
634 baseline fluorescence intensity, compounds were added using a BioMek FX pintool
635 (Beckman Coulter) at a concentration of 10 μ M, with the exception of the positive control
636 Torin1, which was added at 1 μ M. Plates were imaged again 15h after drug addition. One
637 image was acquired per well. Images were background subtracted using FIJI
638 (<https://fiji.sc/>) with a rolling ball radius of 150. Mean GFP fluorescence intensity was
639 calculated on a whole well basis. Enhancers are defined as: $[\text{Sample}_{15\text{H GFP}/0\text{H GFP}}] <$
640 $[\text{DMSO}_{15\text{H GFP}/0\text{H GFP}} - 3\text{SD}_{\text{DMSO}}]$ and inhibitors as: $[\text{Sample}_{15\text{H GFP}/0\text{H GFP}}] >$
641 $[\text{DMSO}_{15\text{H GFP}/0\text{H GFP}} + 3\text{SD}_{\text{DMSO}}]$. Using a custom FIJI script that measured the area of occupied by cells,
642 toxic compounds were identified as those that elicited a reduction in cellular area $\geq 3\text{SD}$,
643 verified by eye.

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645 **Secondary screen**

646 Plating of HEK293T Dendra2-LC3 cells and media exchange were performed as in the
647 primary screen, described above. Two sites per well were imaged in the Texas Red

648 (RFP) (Semrock TxRed-4040C-NTE-ZERO filter) channel prior to photoconversion to
649 establish background fluorescence levels. Photoconversion was accomplished using a
650 4s DAPI (Semrock Brightline DAPI-5060-NTE-ZERO filter) exposure, and afterwards the
651 cells were immediately imaged once more in the RFP channel. The plate was then
652 removed from the ImageXpress stage and compounds were added to 3 replicate wells
653 via the BioMekFX automation station at a working concentration of 10 μ M. The plate was
654 then returned to the ImageXpress and imaged every 1.5h in a recurring loop for 16h,
655 while maintaining 5% CO₂, humidity and a temperature of 37C. Initial optimization
656 studies demonstrated a maximal Z' = 0.79 within 9h of drug addition, and therefore this
657 time was selected for measuring autophagic flux. We defined enhancers and inhibitors
658 by the following criteria: enhancer, $[\text{Sample}_{9\text{H RFP}}/(\text{Postconversion RFP} - \text{background RFP})] < [\text{DMSO}_{9\text{H}}$
659 $\text{RFP}/(\text{Postconversion RFP} - \text{background RFP}) - 3\text{SD}_{\text{DMSO}}$]; inhibitor, $[\text{Sample}_{9\text{H RFP}}/(\text{Postconversion RFP} - \text{background}$
660 $\text{RFP})] > [\text{DMSO}_{9\text{H RFP}}/(\text{Postconversion RFP} - \text{background RFP}) + 3\text{SD}_{\text{DMSO}}$. Images with autofluorescent
661 artifacts were excluded and the remaining images were averaged on a per compound
662 basis.

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664 **RFP-GFP-LC3 assay**

665 HeLa RFP-GFP-LC3 cells⁵⁹ were plated at 80% confluency in HEK complete media.
666 Prior to imaging, cells were switched to Neumo+SOS media. Cells were imaged at
667 baseline as well as 0, 4, 8, and 12h after drug addition. Images were background
668 subtracted using the rolling ball background subtraction plugin in FIJI, with a radius =
669 150. LC3 puncta were identified and quantified using CellProfiler 3.0
670 (<https://cellprofiler.org/>) utilizing a customized pipeline
671 (<https://github.com/BarmadaLab/LC3-puncta>). Briefly, a series of image processing
672 operations are performed to segment a cell into nuclear and cytoplasmic compartments.
673 The contrast between puncta and background is further enhanced to emphasize LC3
674 puncta in both GFP and RFP images. Object-oriented colocalization then records the
675 number of cytoplasmic red puncta that are also green, representing autophagosomes.

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677 **Primary neuron survival assay**

678 Primary neurons were dissected from the cortex of embryonic day 20 rat pups and
679 plated at a density of 1x10⁵ cells/well on a laminin/poly-D-lysine coated 96 well
680 plate⁶⁸⁶³⁹⁷ in Neumo complete media (Cell Guidance Systems M07-500). Transfection
681 and longitudinal microscopy were performed as previously described⁶². Briefly, DIV4

682 neurons were transfected using lipofectamine 2000 (Invitrogen). Neurons were
683 incubated with Lipofectamine-DNA mixtures for 20 minutes followed by washes with
684 Neurobasal media containing 1 mM kynurenic acid to remove residual lipofectamine.
685 Neurons were then placed in half conditioned media and half fresh Neumo+SOS media.
686 A Eclipse Ti inverted microscope (Nikon, Tokyo, Japan) equipped with PerfectFocus,
687 Semrock GFP and TRITC filters, Lambda XL lamp (Sutter Instruments, Novato, CA) and
688 an Andor Zyla 4.2(+) sCMOS camera (Oxford Instruments, Abingdon, UK) was used to
689 acquire images at 20x. To maintain a temperature of 37C and 5% CO2 levels, the
690 microscope was encased in a custom-built plexiglass environmental chamber.
691 Automated stage movements, filter turret rotation, and image acquisition were controlled
692 via μ Manager with original code written in BeanShell. In-house software was used to
693 assign a barcode for each neuron, measure its fluorescent intensity, and register time of
694 death as described previously^{61,62,63,98,99}. For optical pulse labeling experiments a 1.5s
695 pulse of 405nm light was used for photoconversion. For studies relating the rate of
696 Dendra2-LC3 turnover to neuronal survival only cells that lived the entire duration of
697 OPL imaging were included in the survival analysis.

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699 **Figure Legends**

700 **Figure 1: Creation of a stable cell line serving as a reporter for autophagic flux.**

701 (A) Illustration depicting the use of optical pulse labeling (OPL) to measure autophagic
702 flux. Dendra2 is a photoconvertible protein that upon exposure to 405nm light irreversibly
703 shifts its fluorescence from green to red. Photoconverted Dendra2-LC3 is degraded in
704 lysosomes, resulting in a drop in red fluorescence intensity. The time dependent decay
705 of red signal serves as an estimate of autophagic flux independent of new (green) LC3-
706 Dendra2 synthesis. (B) Schematic for tagging native LC3 using CRISPR/Cas9 genome
707 editing. In HEK293T cells, the Dendra2 ORF was introduced into the *MAP1LC3B* locus
708 upstream of exon 1 creating an N-terminal fusion protein upon translation. (C) Western
709 blot confirming the successful labeling of LC3 with Dendra2. Dendra2-LC3 HEK293T
710 cells were treated with 20nM siRNA targeting LC3 or scrambled siRNA. Lysates were
711 collected after 48h and immunoblotted with an LC3 antibody, demonstrating the
712 Dendra2-LC3 fusion protein running at the expected MW of 43kDa that disappears upon
713 siRNA-mediated knockdown of LC3. GAPDH serves as a loading control. (D) Dendra2-
714 LC3 reporter line imaged in GFP channel 48h after application of siRNA. Scale bar =

715 100 μ m (E) Dendra2-LC3 cells imaged 6 hours after treatment with vehicle, 1 μ M Torin1,
716 and 20nM Bafilomycin-A1. Scale bar =10 μ m

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718 **Figure 2: Time dependent decay of Dendra2-LC3 serves as an accurate measure**
719 **of autophagic flux.**

720 (A) Dendra2-LC3 HEK293T cells were imaged prior to photoconversion to measure
721 background RFP intensity. Immediately following photoconversion, cells were treated
722 with DMSO, 1 μ M Torin1, or 10nM Bafilomycin-A1 and imaged at the indicated times.
723 Images are pseudocolored to better highlight intensity differences. Scale bar = 50 μ m (B-
724 E) Time dependent changes in photoconverted Dendra2-LC3 fluorescence in the RFP
725 (B, C) and GFP (D, E) channels. Intensity measurements were obtained prior to (dark
726 grey) and following photoconversion (light grey) and normalized. For RFP
727 measurements, the background intensity prior to conversion was set to 0 and the post-
728 conversion value to 1. GFP values are scaled to the pre-conversion intensity. Error bars
729 represent SEM from 3 replicate experiments. (B) Treatment with 1 μ M Torin1 accelerates
730 Dendra2-LC3 decay, reflecting enhanced autophagic degradation of the reporter, while
731 treatment with bafilomycin-A1 stabilizes reporter half-life. (D) Photoconversion results in
732 a 40% drop in GFP intensity. As new Dendra2-LC3 is synthesized, GFP levels return to
733 pre-photoconversion levels over the span of 13.5h. Torin1 blocks the observed return in
734 GFP fluorescence by accelerating flux. Genetic inhibition of autophagy via siRNA-
735 mediated knockdown of ATG5 2d prior attenuates Torin1's effects in both the RFP (C)
736 and GFP (E) channels. For plots B-D * indicates significant difference ($p<0.05$) using
737 DMSO as reference group with Tukey's multiple comparisons test. # indicates $p<0.05$
738 with the scramble control for each drug treatment as the reference group (i.e Scramble
739 siRNA 1 μ M Torin1 vs. ATG5 siRNA 1 μ M Torin1). Superscript number indicates the first
740 time point when significance was achieved.

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742 **Figure 3: Small-scale screen in Dendra2-LC3 HEK293T cells confirm assay validity**
743 **and identify new autophagy modulators.**

744 (A) An unbiased screen of the Enzo autophagy compound library identified several
745 known autophagy-modulating compounds, including enhancers (rapamycin, NVP-
746 BEZ235, AKT inhibitor X) and inhibitors (bafilomycin-A1). All drugs were added at a final
747 concentration of 10 μ M via liquid handler, and autophagic flux estimated by their effects
748 upon clearance of photoconverted (red) Dendra2-LC3 9h after drug addition. (B)

749 Representative images of red Dendra2-LC3 immediately post-conversion and 9h after
750 drug addition, demonstrating relatively rapid clearance with application of enhancers and
751 marked accumulation of Dendra2-LC3 with inhibitors. Scale bar = 100 μ m (**C**) The effect
752 of autophagy enhancers on Dendra2-LC3 half-life is attenuated by siRNA-mediated
753 knockdown of ATG5 2d prior to drug application. Two-Way ANOVA indicated a
754 significant interaction between time and treatment $F(126,300)=15.22$, $p<0.0001$ and
755 significant effects for treatment $F(9,300)=3427$, $p<0.0001$ and time $F(14,300)=957.3$,
756 $p<0.0001$ (**D**) Similar effects are observed in the green channel. Two-Way ANOVA found
757 a significant interaction between time and treatment $F(126,300)=20.71$, $p<0.0001$. as
758 well as significant main effects for treatment $F(9,300)=721$, $p<0.0001$ and time
759 $F(14,300)=320.8$, $p<0.0001$. For (C) and (D) Error bars represent SEM from 3 replicate
760 experiments. # indicates $p<0.05$ using Tukey's multiple comparisons test with the
761 scramble control for each drug treatment as the reference group (i.e Scramble siRNA
762 Torin1 vs. ATG5 siRNA Torin1). Superscript number indicates the first time point when
763 significance was achieved.

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765 **Figure 4: Proportional and bidirectional effects of autophagy modulators**
766 **highlight assay sensitivity.**

767 (**A**) Dendra2-LC3 HEK293T cells were treated with increasing concentrations of Torin1
768 and bafilomycin-A1. Representative images in the GFP (top) and RFP (bottom)
769 channels, pseudocolored to accentuate intensity variations. Scale bar = 100 μ m (**B**)
770 Dendra2-LC3 clearance increased in a dose-dependent manner with Torin1 (**B**), while
771 bafilomycin-A1 resulted in dose-dependent prolongation of Dendra2-LC3 half-life (**C**).
772 These changes are even more apparent in the GFP channel for both Torin1 (**D**) and
773 bafilomycin-A1 (**E**). Error bars represent SEM from 8 replicate wells. For plots B-E *
774 indicates significant difference ($p<0.05$) using DMSO as reference group with Dunnett's
775 multiple comparisons test. Superscript number indicates the first time point when
776 significance was achieved. (**F**) Dose-response curves for Torin1, NVP-BEZ235,
777 rapamycin, and bafilomycin-A1. For autophagy enhancers, the minimal RFP intensity 7h
778 after drug treatment relative to DMSO was set to 1, and the maximal value set to 0. For
779 inhibitors, the maximum effect represents the maximal RFP intensity within 7h after drug
780 treatment. Dose-response was determined similarly for the GFP channel, utilizing values
781 14h after drug treatment. Concentration is plotted in nM on a log(2) scale, with ≥ 3

782 replicate wells for each channel shown as colored dots. EC50 and IC50 values are
783 reported along the x-axis for both RFP and GFP.

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785 **Figure 5: Screening the Prestwick library reveals previously unrecognized**
786 **autophagy-modulating drugs.**

787 **(A)** “90/10” experiment validating the measurement of Dendra-LC3 in the GFP channels
788 as a primary assay. 320 wells of a 384w plate were treated with DMSO and 32 were
789 treated with 1 μ M Torin1. Plates were imaged in GFP immediately before, and 15h after
790 drug treatment. $Z' = .52 \pm 0.04$ in 3 replicates. **(B)** Primary screen of the Prestwick drug
791 library. Z-score is calculated as number of SD_{DMSO} greater or less than mean
792 $DMSO_{15H/0H}$. Significant changes in flux, toxicity, or puncta for each drug are indicated by
793 the color and size of representative dots, according to the key. The magnitude of effect
794 is represented as both % bafilomycin-A1 (left y-axis) and % Torin1 (right y-axis) **(C)**
795 Time-dependent decay in red (photoconverted) Dendra2-LC3 was used as a secondary
796 screen of the non-toxic candidates emerging from the primary screen. Error bars
797 represent the SEM from 6 images (2 images/well of 3 replicate wells).

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799 **Figure 6: High throughput screening identifies novel autophagy inhibitors.**

800 **(A)** Schematic depicting the screening hierarchy used. **(B)** The primary screen was
801 performed using the Maybridge 24K library, consisting of 24,000 chemically diverse
802 compounds. For enhancers, changes in Dendra2-LC3 GFP intensity were normalized to
803 Torin1's effects. Non-toxic compounds that passed the primary screen were filtered by
804 re-testing in the GFP channel, then evaluated in a secondary screen involving
805 calculation of Dendra2-LC3 half-life in the RFP channel. Hits were re-tested in the
806 secondary screen, followed by repeat evaluation in the RFP channel using fresh
807 compound from a different distributor. The color and size of each dot denotes the stage
808 at which individual compounds were eliminated, in accordance with the key. Candidates
809 that passed all filters are shown in black. **(C)** Representative images of the primary
810 screen, secondary screen, and repeat secondary screen with fresh drug for the 5
811 putative autophagy inhibitors, ranked based on the magnitude of inhibition measured in
812 the initial secondary screen. Z-scores are reported for each screening phase. Scale bar
813 = 100 μ m. **(D)** Unmodified HEK293T cells were treated with vehicle or each compound at
814 either 10 μ M or 100 μ M. 9H after treatment lysates were collected and immunoblotted
815 with an LC3 antibody. **(E)** Quantification of three replicate experiments demonstrating

816 that at 100 μ M of compounds 1 and 2 significantly inhibit autophagic flux. For each group
817 LC3-II was normalized to the loading control GAPDH and then scaled to 100nM
818 bafilomycin-A1. Error bars represent standard error of the mean. One-way ANOVA
819 showed significant differences between groups ($F=24.28$, $P<0.0001$). * $p<0.01$
820 compared to DMSO, Dunnet's multiple comparison test.

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822 **Figure 7: Autophagic flux predicts neuronal survival and mitigates toxicity in an**
823 **ALS/FTD disease model.**

824 (A) Mixed rat spinal neurons were transfected on DIV 4 with Dendra2-LC3, imaged 24h
825 later (DAY 1 pre), then pulsed with 405nm light to photoconvert Dendra2-LC3 before
826 imaging repeatedly and longitudinally over several days to track the time-dependent loss
827 of red fluorescence and neuronal survival. Scale bars = 100 μ m in each panel. (B)
828 Experimental outline for determining the relationship between Dendra2-LC3 half-life and
829 neuronal survival. After calculating Dendra2-LC3 half-life for individual neurons (Stage
830 1), each cell is prospectively tracked using automated fluorescence microscopy to
831 determine its time of death (Stage 2; red number and corresponding arrow). (C)
832 Penalized spline Cox proportional hazards model depicting Dendra2-LC3 half-life (x-
833 axis) vs. relative risk of death (y-axis) for primary rat cortical (black) and spinal (red)
834 neurons, demonstrating a strong linear relationship for both populations (cortical:
835 $p=3.4\times 10^{-9}$; spinal $p=1.1\times 10^{-6}$, linear Cox proportional hazards). Cortical and spinal
836 neurons with shorter Dendra2-LC3 half-lives, and therefore higher rates of basal
837 autophagy, lived longer. Each hash mark represents an individual neuron, collected from
838 3 biological and 8 technical replicates each. Grey dotted lines mark 95% confidence
839 intervals. (D) NVP-BEZ235 (25nM NVP) treatment suppresses toxicity in primary rat
840 cortical neurons overexpressing WT-TDP43-GFP. Table 3 summarizes the hazard ratio
841 and statistical significance of each comparison as determined by Cox proportional
842 hazards analysis. N for each group represents total neurons pooled from three replicate
843 experiments. * $p<0.05$, cox proportional hazards analysis.

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845 **Figure S1: siRNA knockdown of ATG5**

846 HEK293T cells were transfected with 20nM and 40nM ATG5 siRNA, or 40nM non-
847 targeting siRNA. Lysates were collected two days later and blotted with ATG5 and
848 GAPDH antibodies. Relative to scramble siRNA, 20nM and 40nM ATG5 siRNA

849 produced a 58% and 64% knockdown of ATG5 protein, respectively. ATG5 levels were
850 normalized to GAPDH.

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852 **Figure S2: Aggregation of Dendra2 tagged proteins causes a supraphysiological**
853 **increase in signal.**

854 Primary Cortical Neurons were co-transfected on DIV4 with GFP (blue) and a Dendra2-
855 tagged fragment of mutant huntingtin (HTT) carrying a pathologic expansion of 74
856 glutamine residues (Dendra2-HTT-exon1-Q74)¹⁰⁰. On the first day following transfection
857 Dendra2-HTT-exon1-Q74 was photoconverted with a 1s pulse of 405nm light and
858 subsequently imaged via automated fluorescence microscopy. The decay in TRITC (red)
859 intensity was measured every hour as a metric for protein degradation. The TRITC
860 intensity spikes upon aggregate formation, preventing accurate measurements of protein
861 half-life. Lines in the plot correspond to the cell labels in white in the image panels. Red
862 cell labels indicate the time point when a cell has formed an aggregate. Scale bar =
863 50µm

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865 **Figure S3: Drugs identified as autophagy modulators display intrinsic**
866 **fluorescence.**

867 Unmodified HEK293T cells imaged in the Texas Red channel 9H after drug treatment.
868 Scale bar = 50µm

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870 **Figure S4: Novel inhibitors block autophagic flux when assessed using**
871 **independent measures of autophagy.**

872 **(A)** HeLa cells expressing a tandem LC3 reporter (RFP-GFP-LC3) were treated with the
873 indicated compounds and imaged 12h later in the RFP (middle panels) and GFP (bottom
874 panels) channels. Composite images are displayed on the top row. Concentrations for
875 each compound (3nM bafilomycin-A1; 1µM Quinacrine; 50µM 245536; and 100µM of
876 254522, 45808, 234794, and 237373) correspond to the lowest dose resulting in the
877 maximum degree of colocalization between GFP and RFP puncta as calculated in (C).
878 Scale bar: 50µm **(B)** The percentage of RFP(+)/GFP(+) puncta was determined using
879 CellProfiler¹⁰¹. Images from the GFP (1a) and RFP (1b) channels are uploaded into
880 CellProfiler, nuclei are identified using the GFP channel (2a-green outlines) and a
881 nuclear mask (2b) is generated. Nuclei that do not pass size or intensity thresholds, or
882 are on the edges of an image, are excluded (2a-purple outlines). Cellular boundaries are

883 identified (3a-purple outlines), and the nuclear mask is subtracted from the newly
884 created cellular mask to produce a cytoplasmic mask (3b). The intensity of cytoplasmic
885 GFP (4a) and RFP (5a) puncta are enhanced, allowing the generation of masks
886 corresponding to puncta in both channels (4b, 5b) and the identification of
887 GFP(+)/RFP(+) autophagosomes (6a, b). Scale bar: 50 μ m. (C) Dose response curves
888 showing the degree of autophagy inhibition with increasing drug concentrations, plotted
889 on a log₂ scale. The y-axis represents the proportion of RFP(+) puncta that are GFP(+),
890 with the maximum and minimum set to 1.0 and 0, respectively. Dots represent individual
891 technical replicates. (D) RFP-GFP-LC3 HeLa cells were imaged, treated with the lowest
892 dose that produced the maximum response as calculated in (C), then imaged again 0, 4,
893 8 and 12h after drug treatment. (E) Normalized data from (D), depicting the time to
894 maximal effect for each compound. Data in (D, E) represent mean \pm SEM from 3
895 biological replicates, 8 technical replicates each.

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898 **Figure S5: Intrinsic fluorescence confounds flux estimates in a subset of**
899 **Maybridge library hits**

900 Unmodified HEK293T cells were treated with each compound that registered as an
901 autophagy inhibitor in the screen of the Maybridge 24K library (Fig. 6) Images were
902 acquired in the GFP and TRITC channels 9H after treatment of each drug at either 10 μ M
903 or 80 μ M. Images are pseudocolored to accentuate intensity differences. For compounds
904 1 and 5, 80 μ M images are presented at higher brightness settings to emphasize low
905 levels of intrinsic fluorescence. All other images are presented at equivalent brightness
906 and contrast. Scale Bar=50 μ m (B) Dose response relationships for each drug in the
907 Dendra-LC3 HEK293T (black), HeLa RFP-GFP-LC3 (blue) autophagic flux assays, as
908 well as intrinsic fluorescence in the GFP (green) and TRITC (red) channels in
909 unmodified HEK cells. In Dendra2-LC3 HEK293T cells the maximum effect represents
910 the greatest increase in RFP intensity 14h after drug treatment. In RFP-GFP-LC3 HeLa
911 cells the effect represents the proportion RFP(+) puncta that are GFP(+), with the
912 maximum and minimum set to 1.0 and 0, respectively. For unlabeled HEK293T cells the
913 maximum fluorescence intensity observed 9H after drug treatment was set to 1 and the
914 lowest to 0. Concentration is plotted in nM on a log(2) scale, with \geq 3 replicate wells for
915 each concentration shown as colored dots. Dotted vertical lines correspond to 10 μ M,
916 which is the concentration the compounds were initially screened at.

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918 **Figure S6: Primary cortical and spinal neurons display subtly different rates of**
919 **autophagic flux.**

920 (A) Histogram depicting single cell Dendra2-LC3 half-lives in cortical and spinal neurons.
921 Relative to spinal neurons (n=1043), a leftward shift was observed in the Dendra2-LC3
922 half-life distribution of cortical neurons (n=4058) indicating a greater frequency of cortical
923 neurons exhibiting high rates of autophagic flux compared to spinal neurons ($p=8.2 \times 10^{-4}$,
924 two-sample Kolmogorov-Smirnov (KS) test). (B) Consistent with this, the mean single-
925 cell Dendra2-LC3 half-life was slightly reduced in cortical neurons (33.2h) compared to
926 spinal neurons (37.1h) ($p=7.1 \times 10^{-4}$, Welch two sample t-test), indicating higher rates of
927 basal autophagy in cortical neurons.

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930 **Supplemental Movie 1: Dendra2-LC3 HEK cells treated with DMSO.**

931 Dendra2-LC3 HEK cells imaged 6 hours after treatment with DMSO. Presented at 3x
932 actual speed. Scale bar = 10 μ m

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934 **Supplemental Movie 2: Dendra2-LC3 HEK cells treated with Torin1.**

935 Dendra2-LC3 HEK cells imaged 6 hours after treatment with 1 μ M Torin1. Presented at
936 3x actual speed. Scale bar = 10 μ m

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938 **Supplemental Movie 3: Dendra2-LC3 HEK cells treated with Bafilomycin-A1.**

939 Dendra2-LC3 HEK cells imaged 6 hours after treatment with 20nM Bafilomycin-A1.
940 Presented at 3x actual speed. Scale bar = 10 μ m

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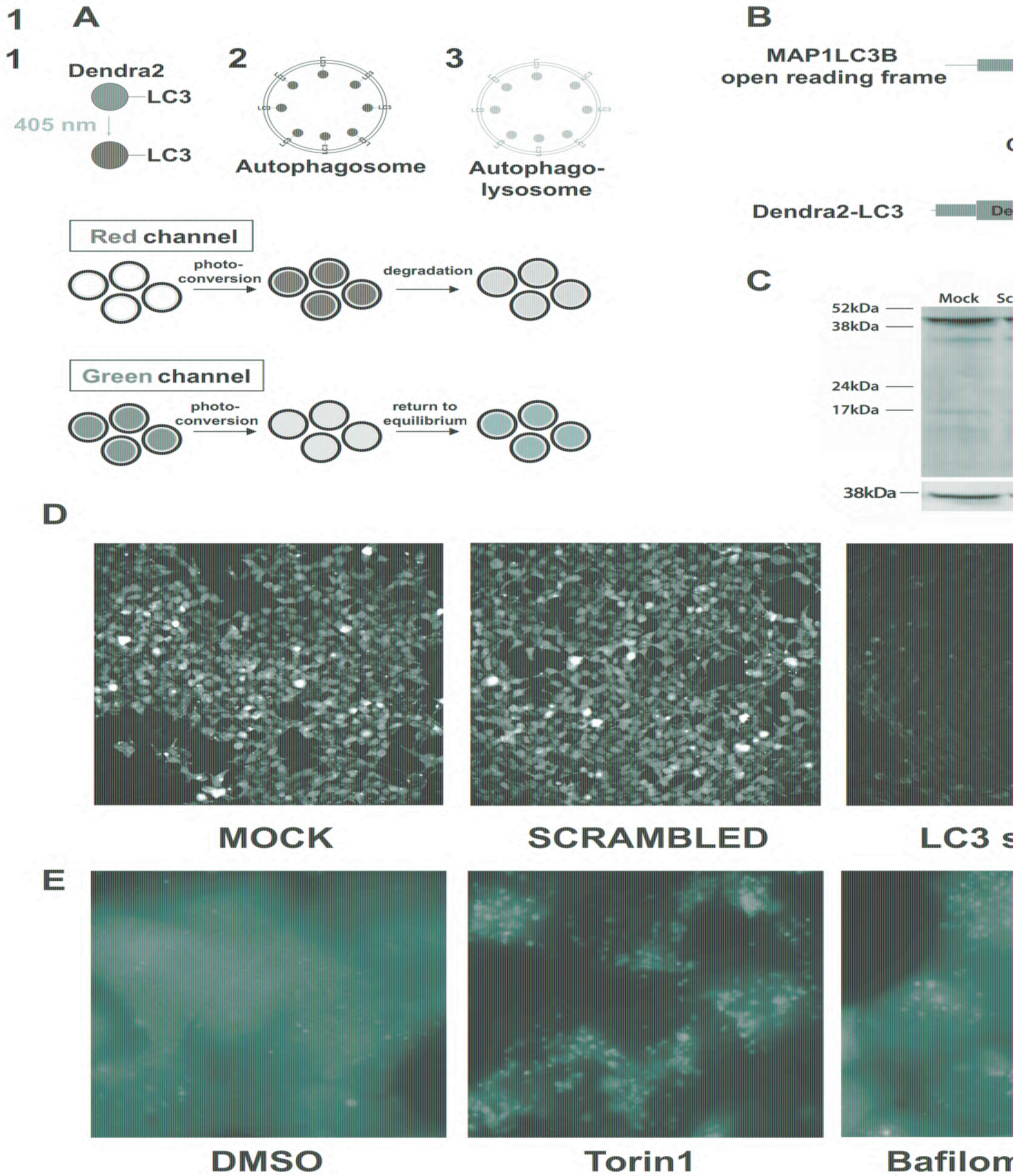


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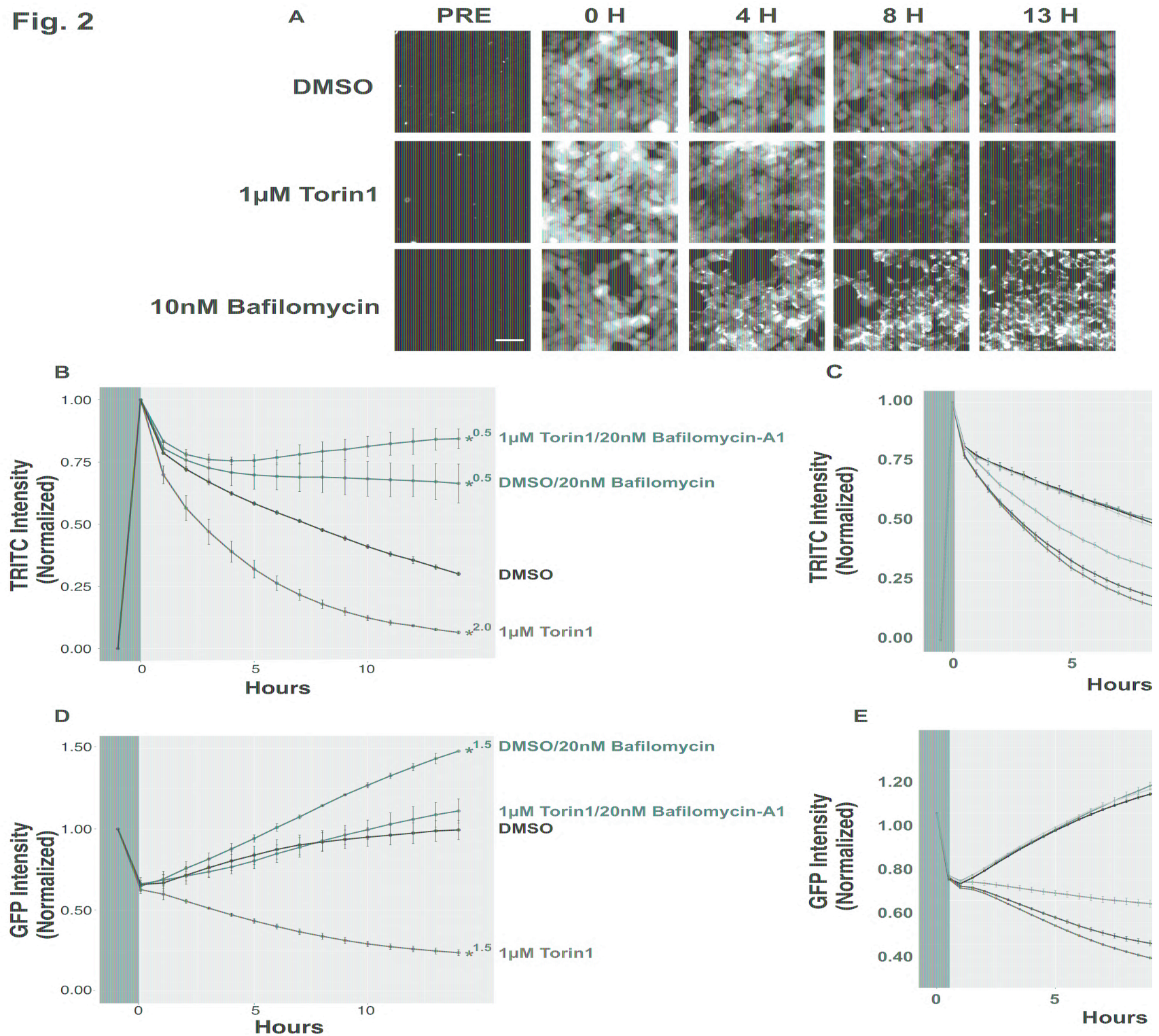


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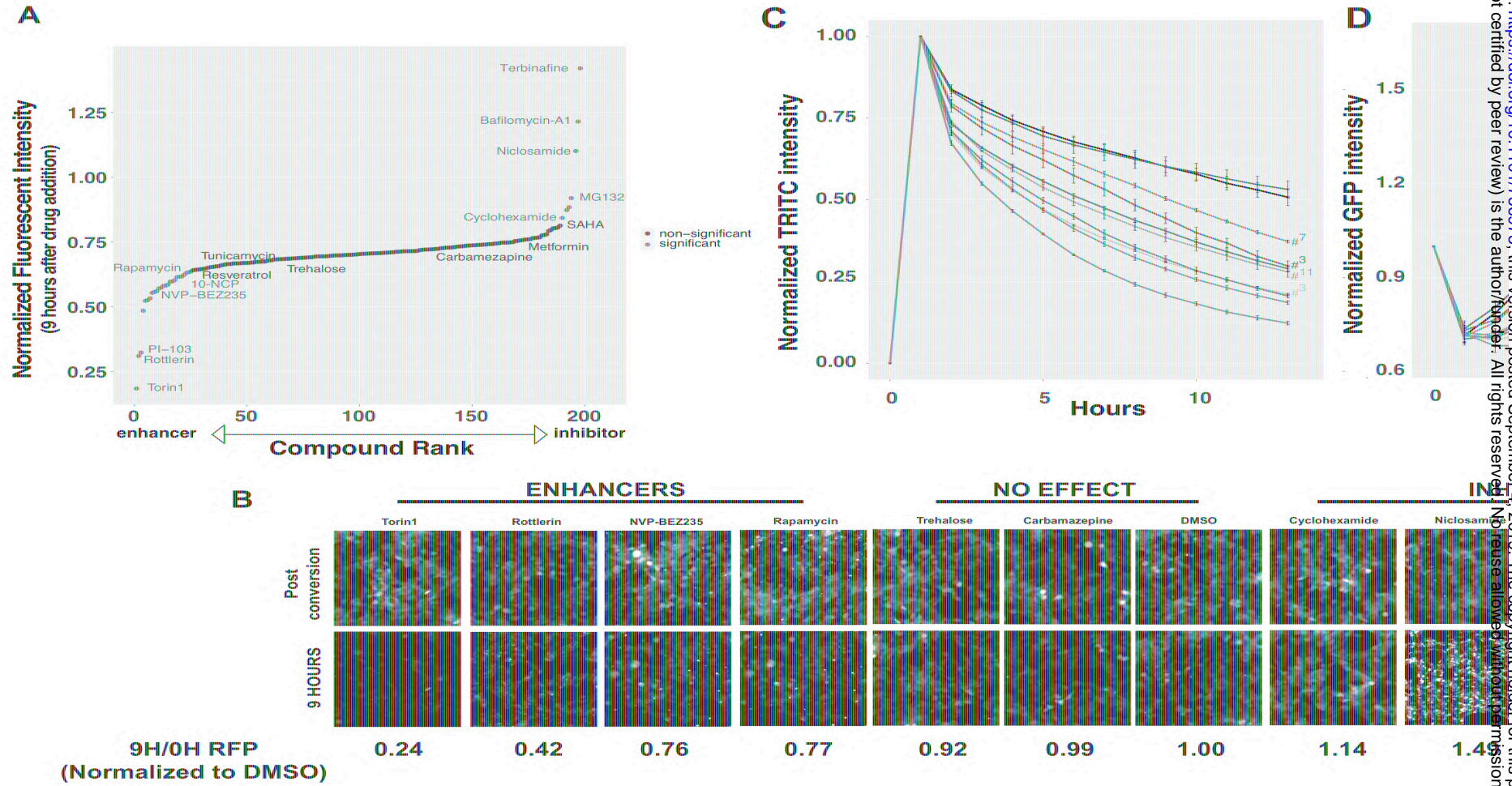


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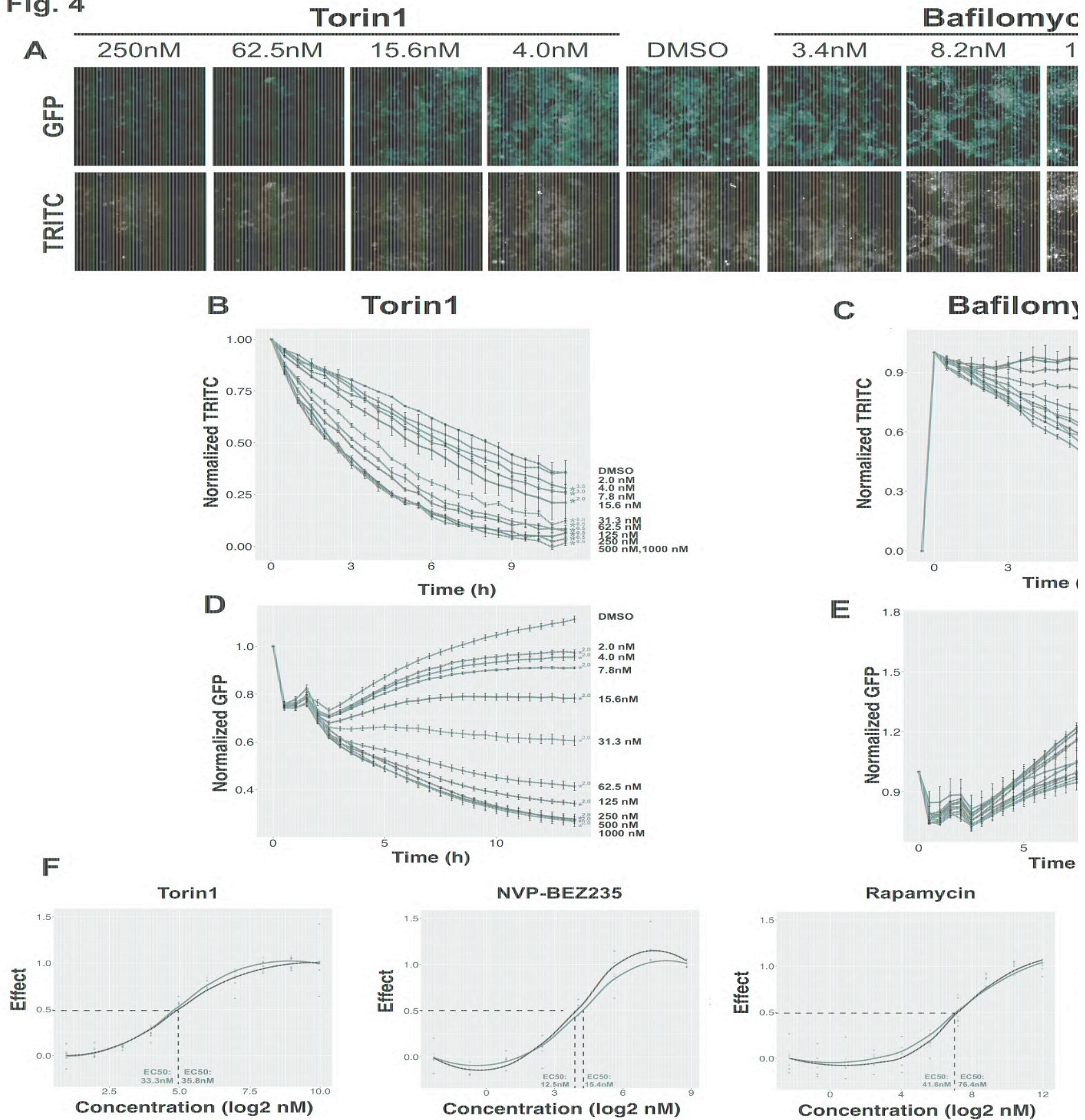


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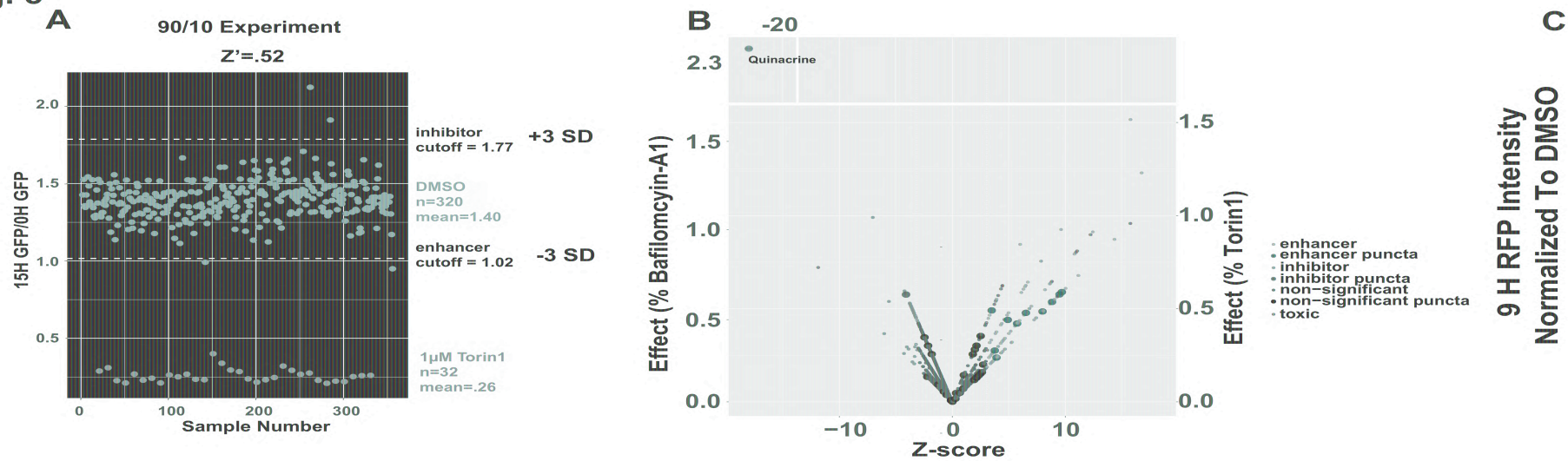
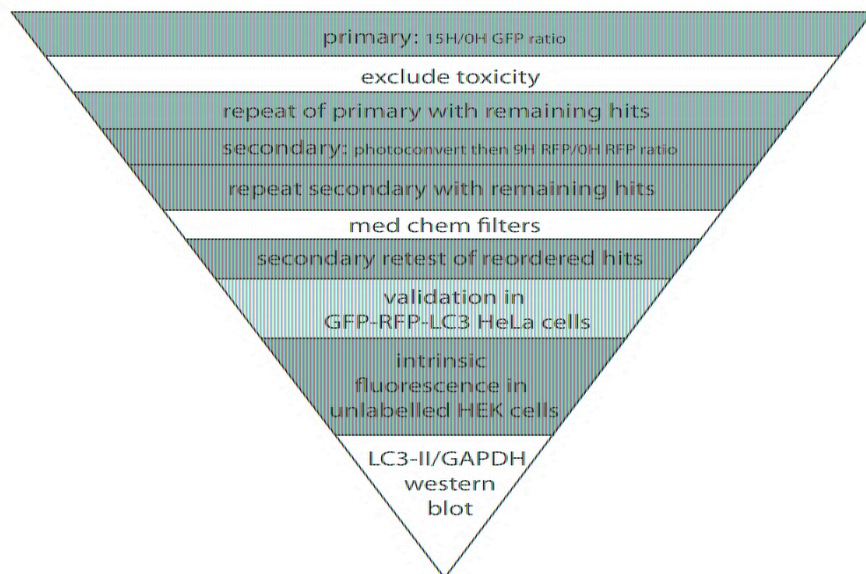
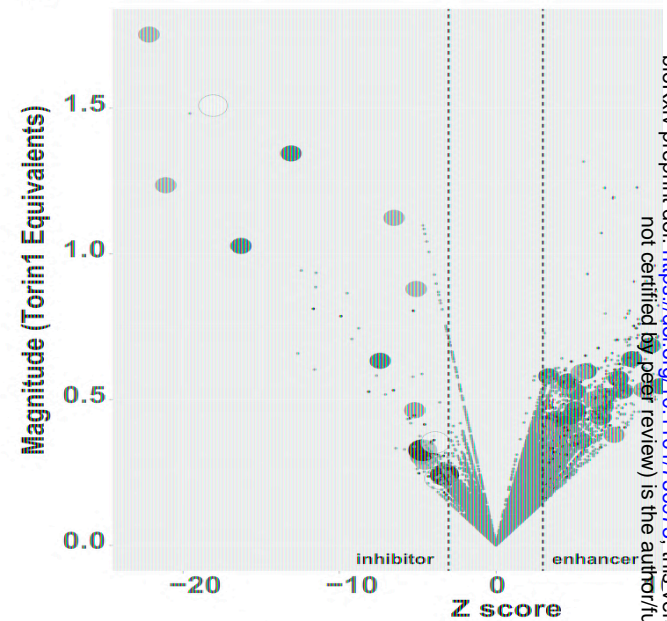


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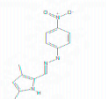






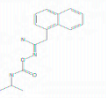






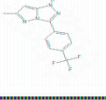





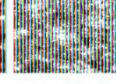
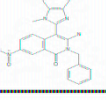






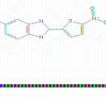






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							INIT	CONF	INIT	CONF	FRESH
1 							3.9	5.4	36.3	28.9	9.5
2 							3.3	6.4	19.7	15.2	10.3
3 							4.7	15.8	10.3	19.2	20.6
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5 							18.1	23.2	3.4	3.6	3.6

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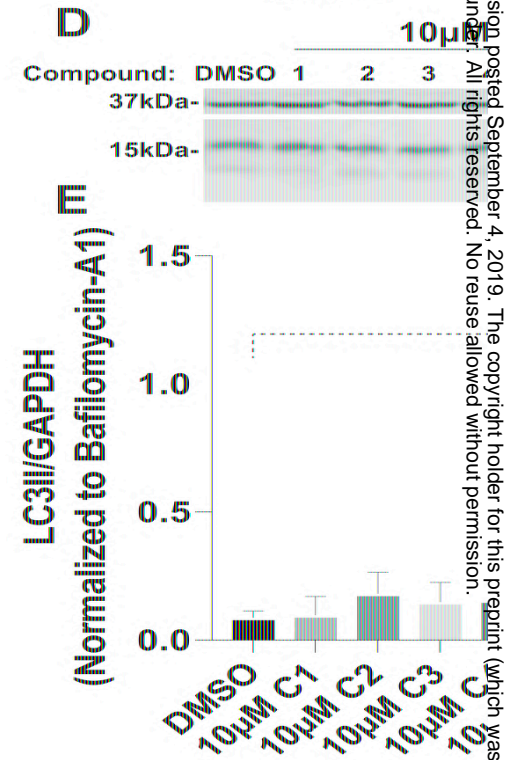


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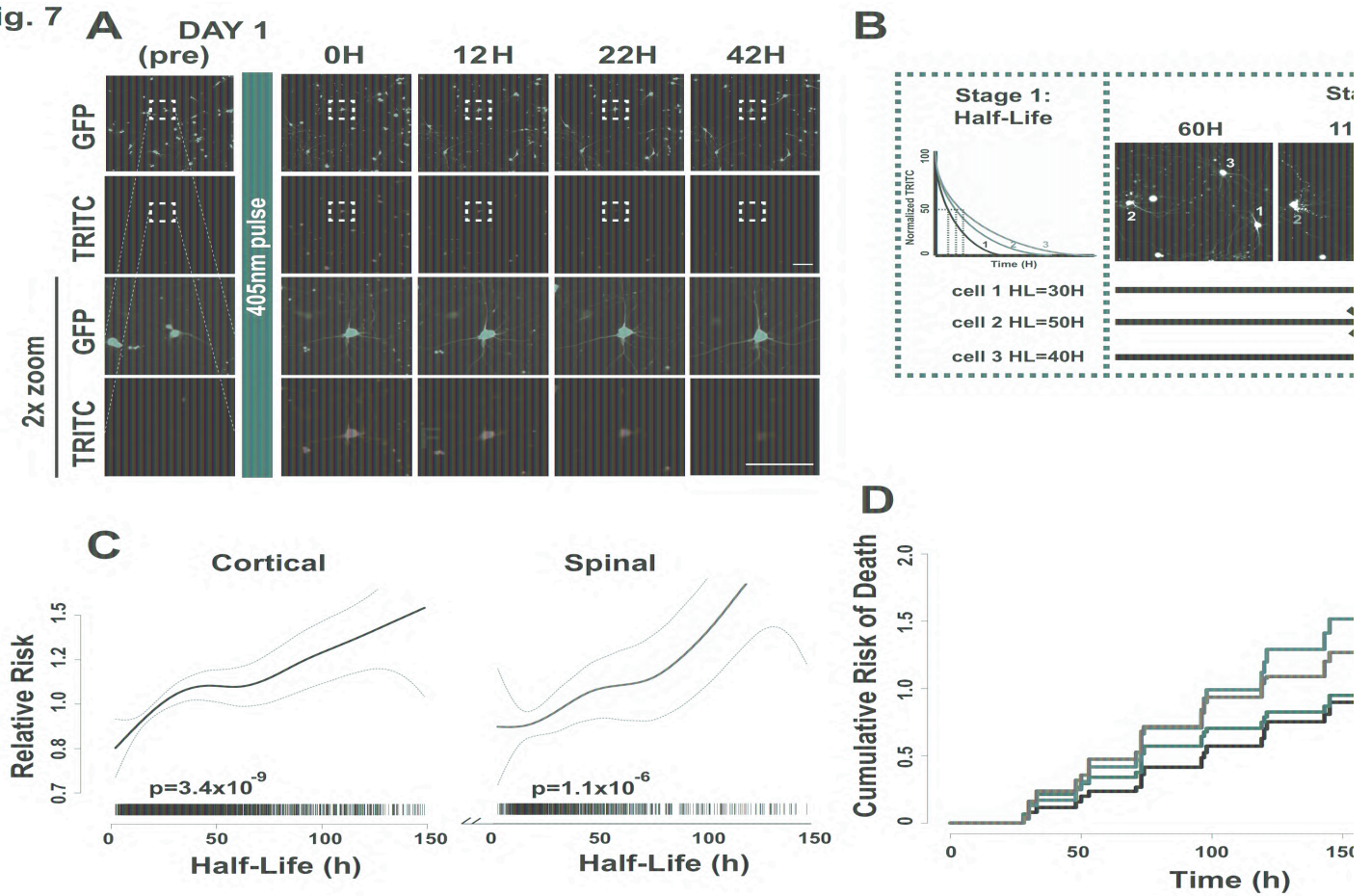


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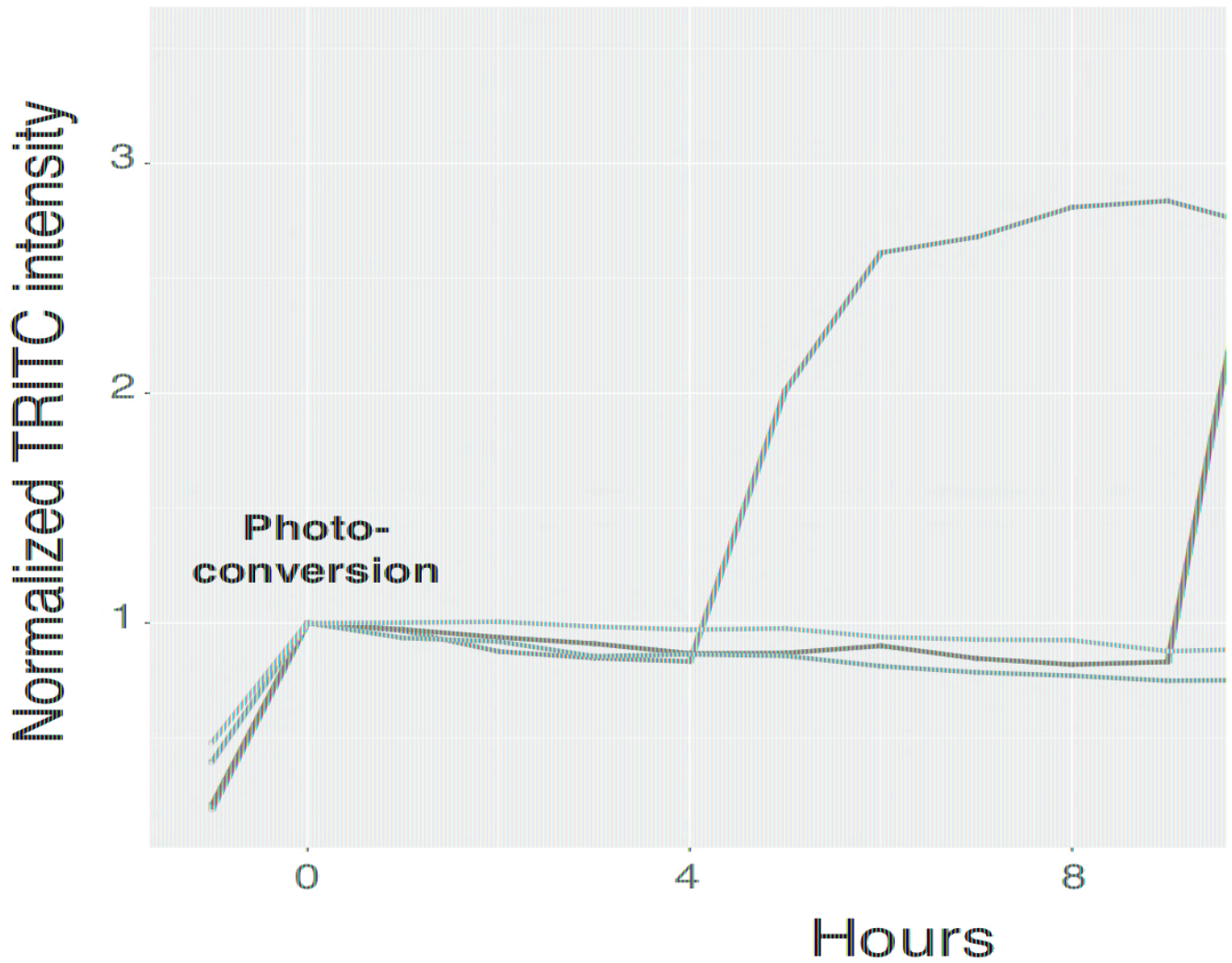
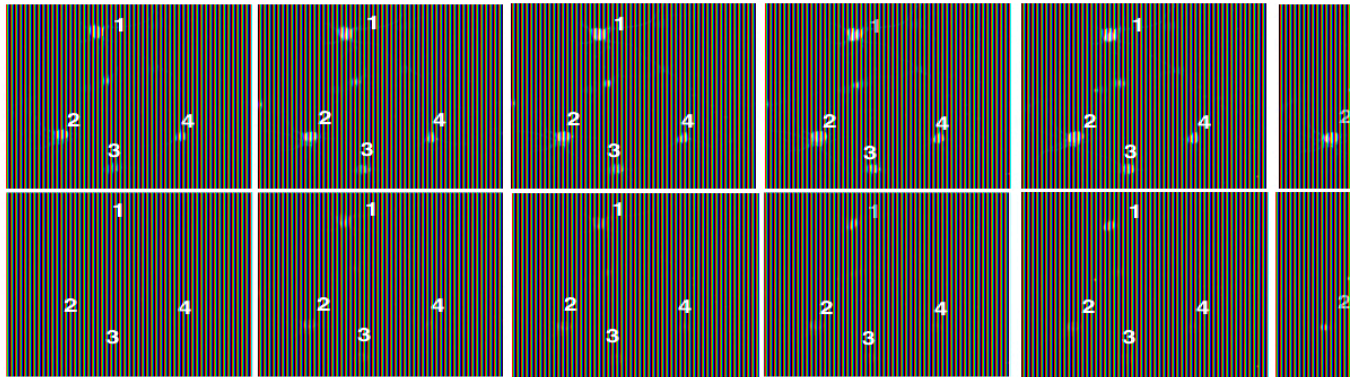
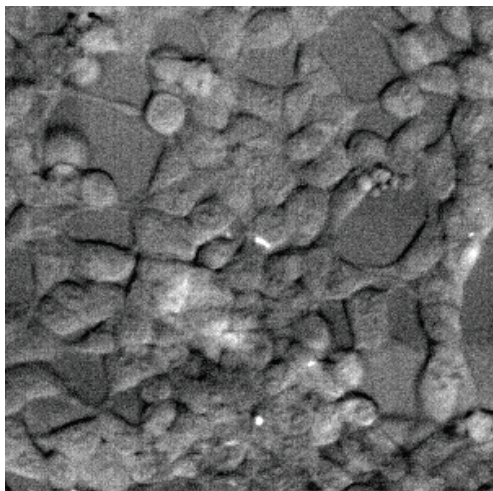
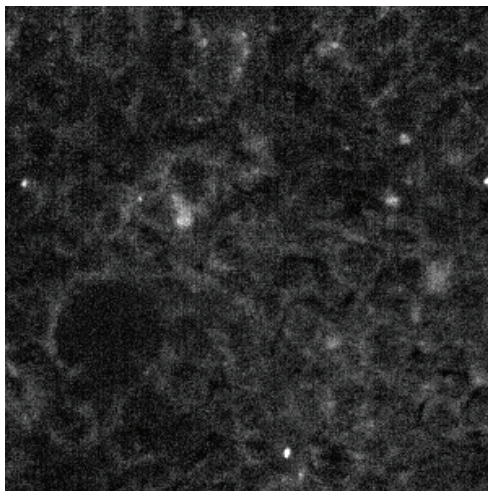


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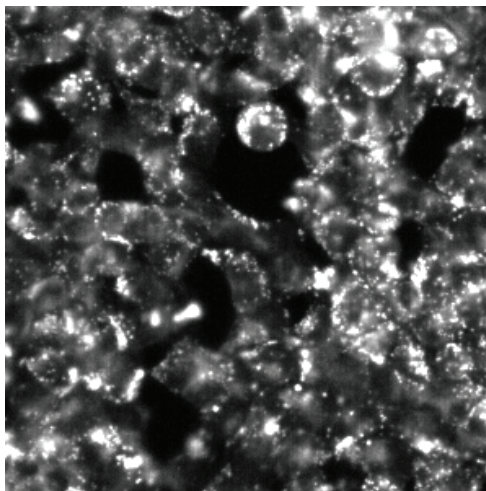
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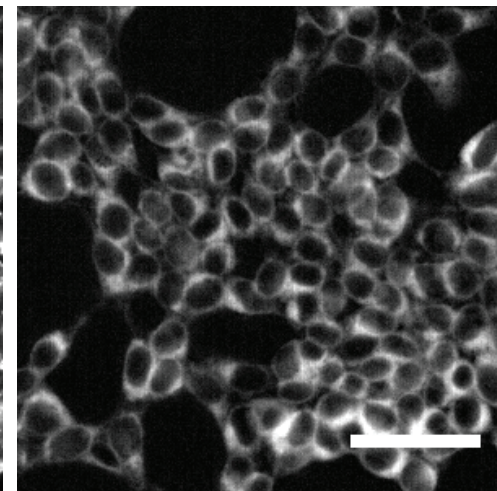


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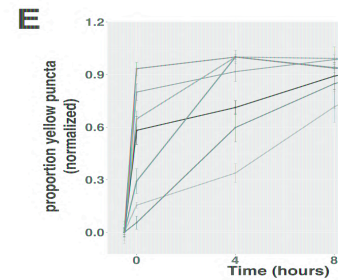
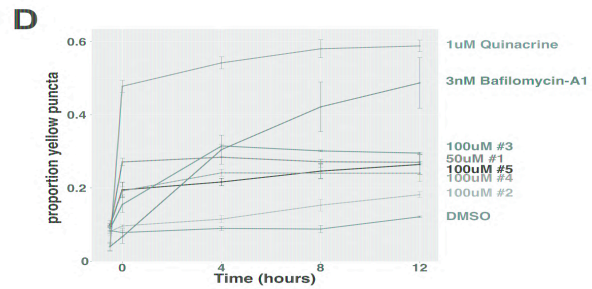
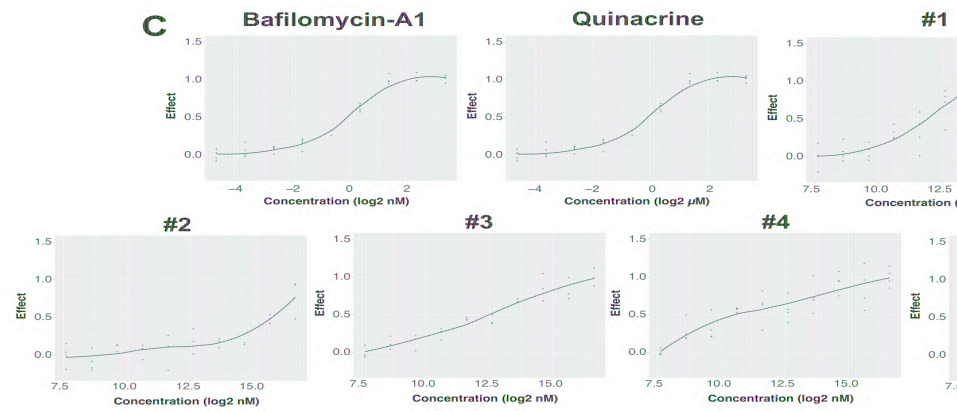
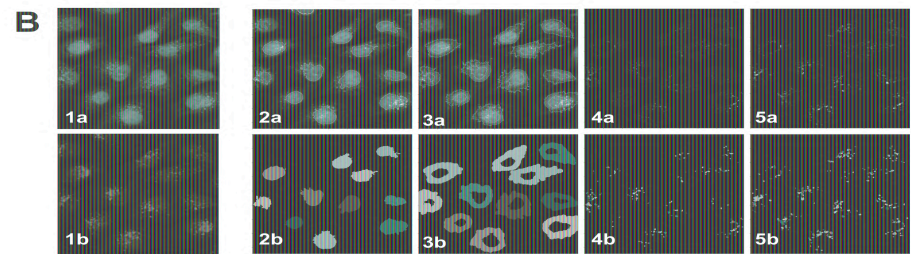
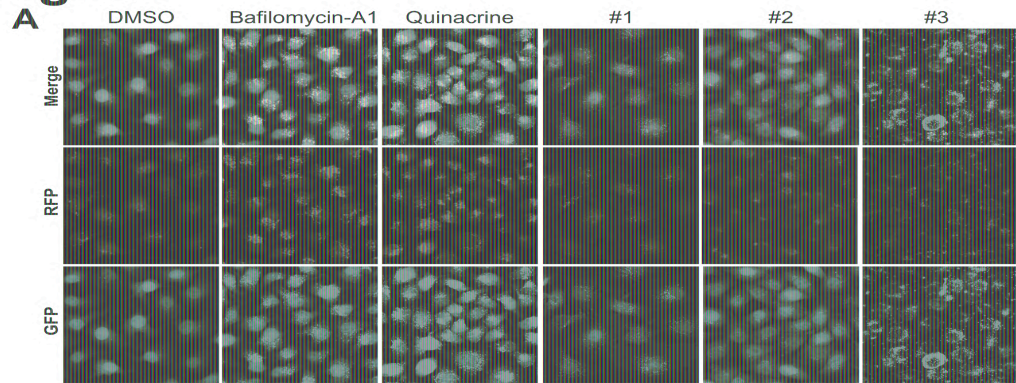


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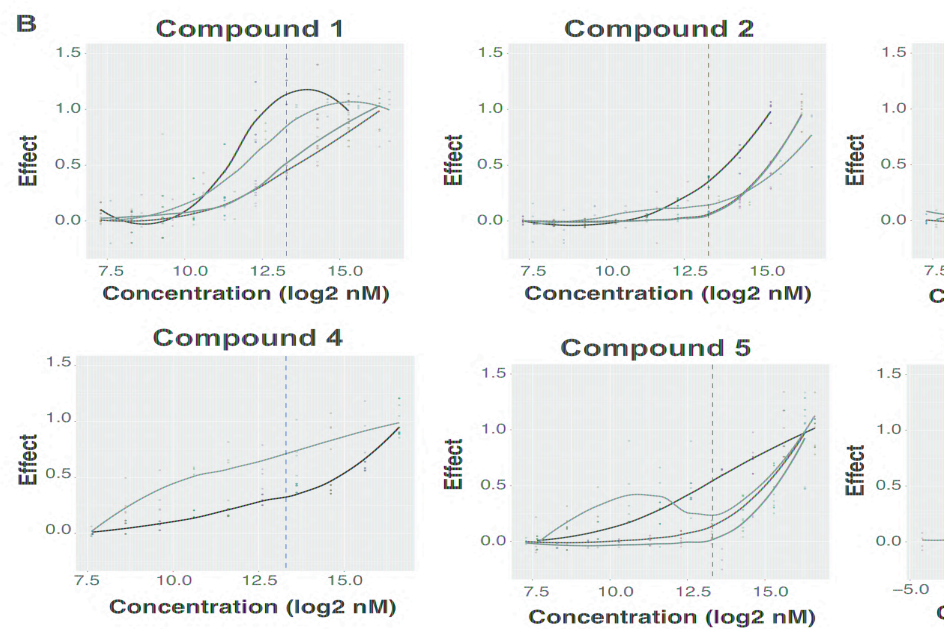
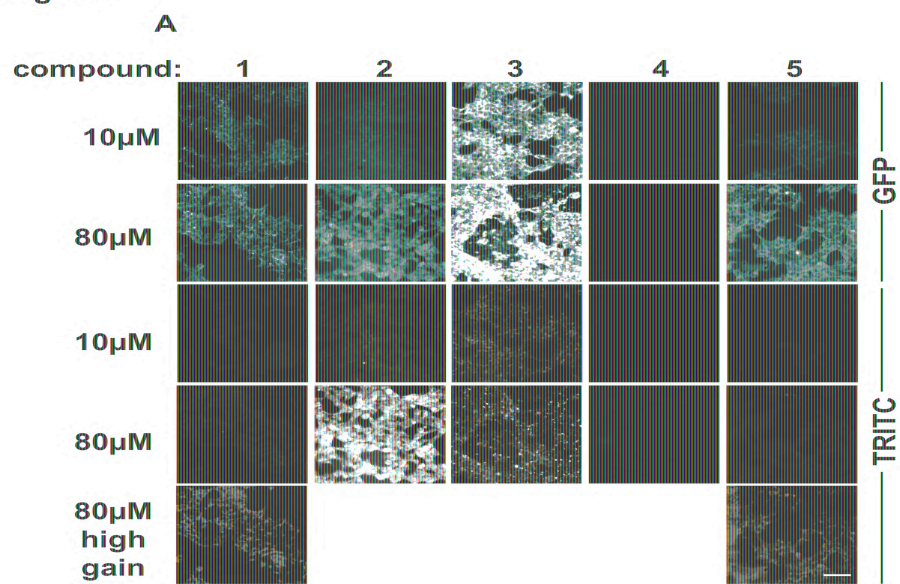
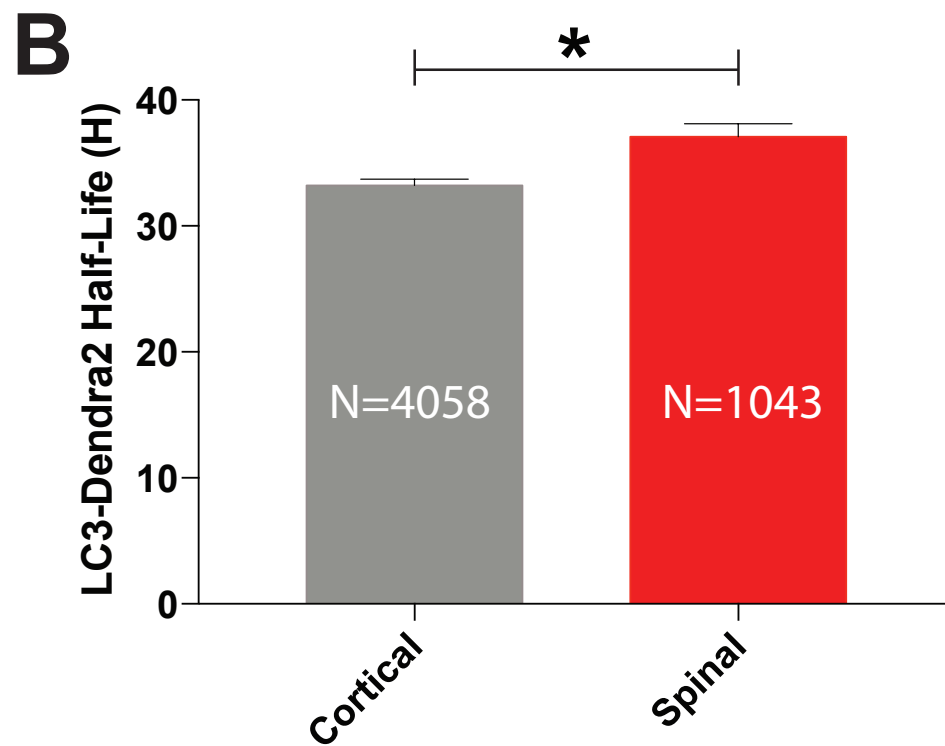
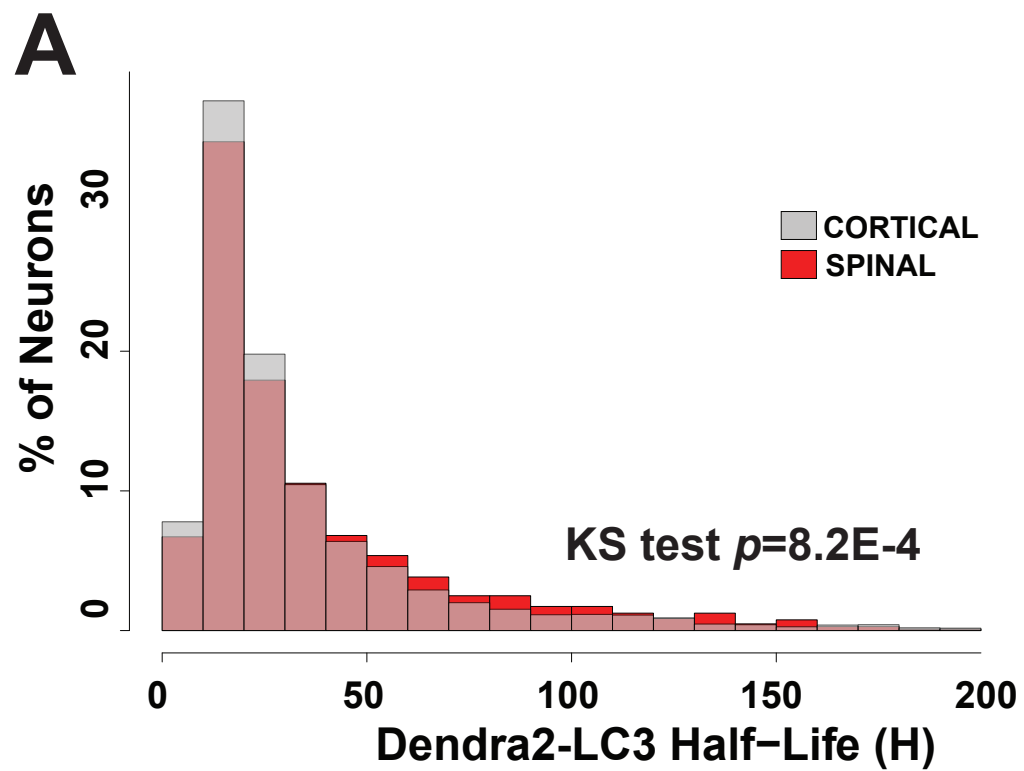


Fig. S6



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Deoxycholate?Na	0.69776753	0.946429811	0.0714525	1.214392494	non-significant	13.3777872	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
UNC0321 (trifluoroacetate salt)	0.69812082	0.946908997	0.070813357	1.203529745	non-significant	12.7081402	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
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Bakuchiol	0.70908538	0.961780983	0.05097694	0.866393945	non-significant	14.106679	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
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PHENETHYL CAFFEATE (CAPE)	0.71007093	0.963117745	0.049193952	0.836090639	non-significant	13.3447358	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Dibutyryl cAMP?Na	0.71048586	0.963680545	0.048443283	0.823332424	non-significant	15.1235361	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Cl-Amidine	0.71214363	0.965929094	0.045444145	0.77235966	non-significant	13.3279646	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
EBSELEN	0.71257927	0.966519982	0.044656012	0.758964719	non-significant	14.1914293	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
RETINYL PALMITATE	0.71300411	0.967096228	0.043887408	0.745901679	non-significant	14.4117909	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Tetramethylpyrazine	0.71410563	0.968590295	0.041894606	0.7120324	non-significant	13.6924222	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
DMOG	0.71455333	0.969197541	0.041084655	0.698266638	non-significant	13.8074478	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
EUGENOL	0.71457078	0.969221201	0.041053097	0.697730281	non-significant	14.4600912	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Suramin (sodium salt)	0.71458816	0.969244774	0.041021655	0.6971959	non-significant	14.4920601	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Pimelic Diphenylamide 106	0.71477383	0.969496613	0.040685749	0.691486904	non-significant	12.9250407	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
GENTISIC ACID	0.71490771	0.969678204	0.040443542	0.6873704	non-significant	12.9765694	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
CAPSAICIN	0.71511771	0.969963046	0.040063616	0.680913263	non-significant	15.8027153	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
F-Amidine (trifluoroacetate salt)	0.71701416	0.972535325	0.036632682	0.622601781	non-significant	14.3585486	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
MELATONIN	0.71899951	0.975228202	0.033040893	0.561556463	non-significant	13.296126	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Tenovin-1	0.72013119	0.976763166	0.030993542	0.526760085	non-significant	14.1870485	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
S-Adenosylhomocysteine	0.72086133	0.97775351	0.02967261	0.504309782	non-significant	13.4924455	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
D-l?-Tocopherol	0.72095143	0.977875719	0.029509606	0.501539407	non-significant	14.2380186	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Anethole trithione	0.72131544	0.978369444	0.02885107	0.490347061	non-significant	13.2788198	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Apigenin	0.72192713	0.979199125	0.027744434	0.471538886	non-significant	15.9947006	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
CPD000466338_TEMOZOLOMIDE	0.72256178	0.980059946	0.026596261	0.452024769	non-significant	13.7405808	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Tocopherol succinate	0.72350181	0.981334968	0.024895623	0.423121064	non-significant	15.1103487	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
(?-Neplanocin A	0.72369287	0.981594114	0.024549971	0.417246425	non-significant	15.0920961	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
8-CPT-cAMP?Na	0.72591605	0.984609572	0.02052792	0.348888457	non-significant	13.717633	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
CARBAMAZEPINE	0.72662666	0.985573416	0.019242334	0.327038886	non-significant	15.4322247	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
CAY10603	0.72810166	0.987574069	0.016573841	0.281685718	non-significant	20.7188449	inhibitor	#N/A	#N/A
NITRENDIPINE	0.72835712	0.987920558	0.016111691	0.273831108	non-significant	13.7014868	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Niguldipine	0.7285959	0.98824444	0.015679693	0.266488945	non-significant	14.7454201	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
2',3',5'-triacetyl-5-Azacytidine	0.7294329	0.989379719	0.014165446	0.240753114	non-significant	13.2754286	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
TOLAZAMIDE	0.73001594	0.990170538	0.013110643	0.222825878	non-significant	13.586633	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Splitomicin	0.73179126	0.992578516	0.009898855	0.16823898	non-significant	13.9822229	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Rilmidenine	0.73293856	0.994134687	0.007823218	0.132961865	non-significant	14.1453568	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
ISOLQUIRITIGENIN	0.73322013	0.994516591	0.00731383	0.124304402	non-significant	13.6893361	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Ferulic acid ethylester	0.73377835	0.995273748	0.006303926	0.107140274	non-significant	14.1609667	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
NDGA	0.735594	0.997736439	0.003019162	0.051313081	non-significant	13.2951775	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
3-METHYL-1-PHENYL-2-PYRAZOLIN-5-ONE	0.73622825	0.998596717	0.001871714	0.031811284	non-significant	13.1101855	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
SB-202190	0.73657807	0.999071204	0.001238839	0.021055057	non-significant	15.0528509	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
DMSO	0.73726284	1	NA	NA	NA	14.1185499	non-significant	0.763576208	NO
L-690,330	0.73753204	1.000365131	-0.000487015	-0.008277218	non-significant	16.1993273	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Dacinosat	0.73842541	1.001576868	-0.002103244	-0.035746311	non-significant	17.1974639	inhibitor	#N/A	#N/A
Zebularine	0.7389284	1.002259108	-0.003013223	-0.051212145	non-significant	14.2841895	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
CPD000469175_IMATINIB MESYLATE	0.73894809	1.002285817	-0.003048847	-0.051817603	non-significant	17.3947537	inhibitor	#N/A	#N/A
NSC 62794	0.74018775	1.003967255	-0.005291567	-0.089934429	non-significant	14.6048426	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Trolox	0.74019388	1.003975567	-0.005302655	-0.09012287	non-significant	14.0792243	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
EPIGALLOCATECHIN-3-MONOGALLATE	0.74191426	1.006309032	-0.008415056	-0.143020615	non-significant	15.1981258	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
VERAPAMIL HYDROCHLORIDE	0.74216863	1.006654052	-0.008875247	-0.150841936	non-significant	14.7491465	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
TEMPOL	0.74227701	1.006801056	-0.009071323	-0.154174404	non-significant	13.7859052	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Suramin?6Na	0.74418851	1.009393755	-0.012529492	-0.212948762	non-significant	15.017659	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
HBEDA?HClA?H2O	0.74451277	1.009833578	-0.013116133	-0.22291919	non-significant	13.811366	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
PX105684	0.74573854	1.011496244	-0.015333815	-0.260610476	non-significant	17.1309648	inhibitor	#N/A	#N/A
2,4-DPD	0.74745393	1.013822872	-0.018437097	-0.313353242	non-significant	13.6702338	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
VALPROATE SODIUM	0.7477982	1.014289829	-0.019059929	-0.323938772	non-significant	13.1617751	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
5147472	0.74790419	1.014433594	-0.019251685	-0.327197814	non-significant	14.7554661	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Metformin?HCl	0.74813514	1.014746845	-0.019669502	-0.334298943	non-significant	12.6720438	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
THIOCTIC ACID	0.74905018	1.015987973	-0.021324932	-0.362434301	non-significant	15.0661687	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Chidamide	0.74934781	1.016391668	-0.021863385	-0.371585745	non-significant	16.529833	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
CDC	0.75359838	1.022157015	-0.029553267	-0.502281453	non-significant	14.9593311	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A

3-Deazaneplanocin A	0.75381872	1.022455865	-0.029951876	-0.509056142	non-significant	15.300576	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Scriptaid	0.75599961	1.025413962	-0.033897419	-0.576113804	non-significant	20.230442	inhibitor	#N/A	#N/A
GENISTEIN	0.7570347	1.026817921	-0.035770034	-0.607940391	non-significant	13.7567165	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Seratrodast	0.75850285	1.028809278	-0.038426129	-0.65308285	non-significant	12.7799624	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
4-iodo-SAHA	0.76008636	1.030957099	-0.041290916	-0.7017722	non-significant	16.2404314	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
NSC 401077	0.76032395	1.031279361	-0.041720752	-0.70907761	non-significant	13.008035	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
NVP-LBH589	0.76161097	1.033025026	-0.044049139	-0.74865042	non-significant	18.7133963	inhibitor	#N/A	#N/A
CAFFEINE	0.76509427	1.037749664	-0.050350912	-0.855754107	non-significant	14.1991437	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Trichostatin A	0.76618214	1.039225222	-0.052319027	-0.889203797	non-significant	18.5364429	inhibitor	#N/A	#N/A
HYDROQUINONE	0.76692274	1.040229743	-0.053658868	-0.911975461	non-significant	13.0605182	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
NIMODIPINE	0.76823131	1.042004648	-0.056026256	-0.952211115	non-significant	14.0669637	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
LY 294002	0.77558726	1.051982032	-0.069334199	-1.178390271	non-significant	13.7020925	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
Hydroxychloroquine	0.77717596	1.054136897	-0.072208381	-1.227239308	non-significant	14.0450336	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
ETYA	0.77964957	1.057492019	-0.076683479	-1.303297181	non-significant	15.0260388	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
CBHA	0.79275085	1.075262178	-0.100385511	-1.706132206	non-significant	20.8654275	inhibitor	#N/A	#N/A
ETHOXQUIN	0.79663177	1.080526141	-0.107406642	-1.825461958	non-significant	14.5066695	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
NSC 26326	0.80297134	1.089124925	-0.118875794	-2.020389384	non-significant	15.1105917	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
SAHA	0.8036859	1.090094133	-0.120168534	-2.042360538	non-significant	20.3880498	inhibitor	#N/A	#N/A
n-Octyl caffeate	0.80578661	1.092943473	-0.123969014	-2.106952745	non-significant	16.9668871	inhibitor	#N/A	#N/A
AGK2	0.81345014	1.103338048	-0.137833412	-2.342589295	non-significant	16.3257095	non-significant	#N/A	#N/A
CYCLOHEXIMIDE	0.84299465	1.143411287	-0.191283533	-3.251016934	inhibitor	18.8695629	inhibitor	0.826837469	NO
U74389G maleate	0.86352956	1.171264187	-0.228434033	-3.88241946	inhibitor	16.4015569	non-significant	0.926349295	YES
Tubastatin A (trifluoroacetate salt)	0.87325607	1.184456911	-0.246030633	-4.181487775	inhibitor	20.3912902	inhibitor	0.798336888	NO
ALLN	0.88442532	1.199606531	-0.26623736	-4.524917304	inhibitor	28.3709302	inhibitor	0.857586629	NO
MG132	0.91965387	1.247389418	-0.329970694	-5.608116384	inhibitor	49.5576448	inhibitor	0.789265	NO
Curcumin	0.97726982	1.32553788	-0.434205961	-7.379678291	inhibitor	16.6637492	non-significant	2.697478274	YES
NICLOSAMIDE	1.10130446	1.493774533	-0.658601837	-11.19346604	inhibitor	-49.302226	inhibitor	0.675069842	NO
Bafilomycin A1	1.21508581	1.648103969	-0.864448116	-14.69198851	inhibitor	106.214287	inhibitor	0.865698976	NO
CPD000469152_TERBINAFINE HCl	1.42060712	1.926866562	-1.236264691	-21.01130918	inhibitor	-20.11502	inhibitor	0.759322914	NO
GF 109203X	3.41064939	4.62609697	-4.836527537	-82.20066154	inhibitor	-40.013818	inhibitor	10.40788771	YES

LOVASTATIN	-0.5262054	inhibitor	-3.739785549	0.69939	-1.234096598	0.009119661	non-significant	plate 2	103	#N/A	#N/A
Dinoprost trometamol	-0.4602376	inhibitor	-3.270947516	0.6996	0.618663797	0.008638988	non-significant	plate 1	104	#N/A	#N/A
Atorvastatin	-0.2042638	inhibitor	-3.361097864	0.70119	-1.329020137	0.007061163	non-significant	plate 2	105	#N/A	#N/A
SULCONAZOLE NITRATE	0.5005188	enhancer	6.823990351	0.7015	-1.345210792	0.005644672	non-significant	plate 2	106	#N/A	#N/A
SULFAMETER	0.40672644	enhancer	5.54524086	0.70257	0.551422953	0.008216233	non-significant	plate 1	107	#N/A	#N/A
DO 897/99	-0.4865664	inhibitor	-3.458068531	0.7039	-1.471513704	0.006413292	non-significant	plate 2	108	#N/A	#N/A
OXICONAZOLE NITRATE	0.51386189	enhancer	7.00590784	0.70466	-1.511580608	0.008578999	non-significant	plate 2	109	#N/A	#N/A
Etoricoxib	-0.5956954	inhibitor	-4.233657404	0.70469	0.503599328	0.020796188	non-significant	plate 1	110	0.726130427	#N/A
PROPARACAINE HYDROCHLORIDE	0.46583228	enhancer	6.351080169	0.70655	0.461385483	0.010145724	non-significant	plate 1	111	#N/A	#N/A
Estramustine	0.45171892	enhancer	7.432893826	0.70711	-1.6407886	0.009831745	non-significant	plate 2	112	#N/A	#N/A
NAFTIFINE HYDROCHLORIDE	0.21016172	enhancer	3.458145536	0.70755	0.438886633	0.043722179	non-significant	plate 1	113	#N/A	#N/A
Gestrinone	-0.2598281	inhibitor	-4.275390281	0.70759	-1.665919394	0.01395934	non-significant	plate 2	114	#N/A	#N/A
CPD000336944 mevastatin	-0.4510806	inhibitor	-3.205867895	0.71014	-1.800045968	0.004180073	non-significant	plate 2	115	#N/A	#N/A
Tyloxapol	0.42839157	enhancer	5.840619681	0.71024	-1.805697914	0.007311768	non-significant	plate 2	116	#N/A	#N/A
HEXACHLOROPHENE	0.67843993	enhancer	11.16351732	0.71162	-1.878132333	0.009325885	non-significant	plate 2	118	#N/A	#N/A
Amphotericin B	-0.5038243	inhibitor	-3.580721237	0.71165	0.345873361	0.012610234	non-significant	plate 1	119	0.706443472	#N/A
MEBENDAZOLE	0.37593186	enhancer	3.912539619	0.71488	-2.049803369	0.004454286	non-significant	plate 2	120	#N/A	#N/A
DILOXANIDE FUROATE	0.23836408	enhancer	3.249816349	0.71754	0.212573974	0.022902366	non-significant	plate 1	121	#N/A	#N/A
CHLORTETRACYCLINE HYDROCHLORIDE	0.46579662	enhancer	4.847814096	0.71768	0.209452285	0.019309703	non-significant	plate 1	122	#N/A	#N/A
PRAZOSIN HYDROCHLORIDE	-0.2837255	inhibitor	-3.868266743	0.71855	-2.243398148	0.008318949	non-significant	plate 2	123	#N/A	#N/A
TRICLOSAN	0.57623554	enhancer	9.481775926	0.7209	-2.366996431	0.01784983	non-significant	plate 2	124	#N/A	#N/A
AMOROLFINE HYDROCHLORIDE	0.45026197	enhancer	7.408920167	0.72105	-2.374978195	0.026561846	non-significant	plate 2	125	#N/A	#N/A
Bromocryptine mesylate	0.41298894	enhancer	4.298214103	0.72336	0.080958069	0.024958997	non-significant	plate 1	126	#N/A	#N/A
Avermectin B1a	0.36715902	enhancer	5.00578527	0.72552	-2.610317469	0.01880213	non-significant	plate 2	127	#N/A	#N/A
DMSO	#N/A	non-significant	#N/A	0.72569	0.020882996	0.004960111	non-significant	plate 1	128	0.675069842	NO
DILAZEP DIHYDROCHLORIDE	-0.5391178	inhibitor	-5.610909504	0.73351	-0.14892721	0.01791535	non-significant	plate 1	129	#N/A	#N/A
Ivermectin	0.31826256	enhancer	3.31234195	0.7349	-3.104485911	0.008257464	inhibitor	plate 2	130	#N/A	NO
Haloproglin	0.55120193	enhancer	3.917438312	0.73786	-3.260059023	0.01481143	inhibitor	plate 2	131	#N/A	NO
Estropipate	0.29819842	enhancer	4.06558783	0.73851	-0.262091035	0.020159141	non-significant	plate 1	132	#N/A	#N/A
Alfacalcidol	0.44851495	enhancer	3.187633392	0.75281	-4.047774907	0.009385267	inhibitor	plate 2	133	#N/A	NO
Clinidipine	0.28226936	enhancer	4.644654177	0.7576	-4.299936095	0.011337818	inhibitor	plate 2	134	#N/A	NO
CYCLOHEXIMIDE	0.63325095	enhancer	8.633638512	0.84598	-2.694714613	0.028425129	non-significant	plate 1	135	Cyclohexamide	#N/A
Quinacrine dihydrochloride hydrate	-2.1091858	inhibitor puncta	-21.95151267	0.85718	-2.948365052	0 n=1 due to art	non-significant	plate 1	136	Quinacrine	0.723005469
DIACERIN	0.29801344	enhancer	4.063065895	0.92739	-4.537680299	0.074528679	inhibitor	plate 1	137	Diacerin	#N/A
Nicosamide	0.27756754	enhancer	3.099866314	1.10624	-22.66078712	0.026593144	inhibitor	plate 2	137	Nicosamide	#N/A