## Mapping the peptide binding groove of MHC class I

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Figure Sı. Small molecule tandem MS analysis verifies that erucamide accounts for a large proportion of the contaminants found in dsAz samples. Displayed is a spectrum resulting from the subtraction of the spectrum of plastic ware contaminants (empty vial) from the one of the dsAz sample itself. Erucamide ( 337 Da ) is hereby identified as the contaminant adducted to dsAz. Although oleamide is also found in the sample, there was no evidence of binding to the protein in the native MS analysis, unlike for erucamide.


Figure S2. Raw spectrum of $\mathrm{dsA}_{2} / \mathrm{NV}_{9}$. A native mass spectrum $\mathrm{dsA}_{2}$ in presence of $\mathrm{NV}_{9}$ (protein-peptide ratio 1:5) recorded at an acceleration voltage of 25 V is shown. The $\mathrm{dsA}_{2} / \mathrm{NV}_{9}$ is the predominant species (blue). In addition, peptide-free dsAz (yellow), dissociated $\beta_{2 m}$ (pink) and heavy chain (green) as well as free NV 9 can be seen.


> | first peptide $(1 \mathrm{mM}) \square$ both peptides $(1 \mathrm{mM}$ each $) \square$ second peptide $(1 \mathrm{mM})$ |
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| first peptide $(2 \mathrm{mM}) \square$ both peptides $(2 \mathrm{mM}$ each $)$ |
| second peptide $(2 \mathrm{mM})$ |

Figure S3. Melting temperature ( $T_{m}$ ) of dsA2 in presence of two corresponding truncated $\mathrm{NV}_{9}$ variants. Nanoscale differential scanning fluorimetry is employed to study thermal denaturation of dsAz in presence of two peptides at once. $2 \mu \mathrm{M}$ dsAz are combined with either exclusively the $N$ - (green) or C-terminal peptide (blue) or both peptides together (red) at different concentrations. Results for $\Delta T_{m}$ along with respective standard deviations are displayed.


Figure S4. Overall area under the curve (AUC) for the detected dsA2 mass species at 25 V acceleration voltage. The AUC is determined over the entire spectrum for the respective mass species at 25 V . The mean value of the AUC in absence or presence of the different peptides (protein-peptide ratio 1:5, 1:10:10 in dual peptide approach) from at least three independent measurements is depicted along with error bars that represent the corresponding standard deviation. "dsAz" (yellow bars) corresponds to the empty HLA-A* $\mathrm{oz}_{2} 01\left(\mathrm{Y} 84 \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{Al}_{39} \mathrm{C}\right.$ ) disulfide mutant complex, "dsA2/pep" (blue bars) to dsAz bound to one peptide, "dsA2/pep/pep" to dsAz bound to two molecules of this certain peptide (purple bars), "dsA2/pepz" to dsAz bound to another peptide when two different peptides where present (light green), "dsAz/pep2/pepz" to dsAz bound to two molecules of the second peptide (dark green), "dsAz/pep1/pepz" to dsAz bound to one molecule of each of both peptides (red bars) and " $\mathrm{dsA}_{2} /$ erucamide" to $\mathrm{dsA}_{2}$ bound to the erucamide (turquoise-striped bars) respectively.


Figure $\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{5}}$. Overall area under the curve (AUC) for the detected dsA2 mass species at 50 V acceleration voltage. The AUC is determined over the entire spectrum for the respective mass species 50 V . The mean value of the AUC in absence or presence of the different peptides (protein-peptide ratio 1:5, 1:10:10 in dual peptide approach) from at least three independent measurements is depicted along with error bars that represent the corresponding standard deviation. "dsAz" (yellow bars) corresponds to the empty HLA-A*02:01(Y84C/A139C) disulfide mutant complex, "dsA2/pep" (blue bars) to dsA 2 bound to one peptide, "dsA2/pep/pep" to $\mathrm{dsA}_{2}$ bound to two molecules of this certain peptide (purple bars), "dsA2/pep2" to dsAz bound to another peptide when two different peptides where present (light green), "dsAz/pepz/pepz" to dsAz bound to two molecules of the second peptide (dark green), "dsA2/pep1/pepz" to dsA2 bound to one molecule of each of both peptides (red bars) and "dsAz/erucamide" to dsAz bound to the erucamide (turquoise-striped bars) respectively.

Table S1. Experimental masses and FWHM for dsAz and different peptides obtained by native mass spectrometry. Experimental masses ( $m_{\text {exp }}$ ) of the different protein species of disulfide stabilized HLA-A* $02: 01\left(\mathrm{Y} 84 \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{A}_{139} \mathrm{C}\right.$ ) disulfide mutant ( $\mathrm{dsA2}$ ) in absence or presence of the different peptides (protein-peptide ratio 1:5, 1:10:10 in dual peptide approach) are determined from at least three independent mass spectrometry measurements. They are listed together with the respective values for standard deviation $s$ and average full width of the peak at half maximum (FWHM) along with the theoretically calculated molecular weight ( $M$ ). FWHM values are given for the whole peak area where individual species are not fully resolved. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{NV}_{9}$ - high affinity control, ${ }^{2} \mathrm{YF} 9$ - low affinity control, ${ }^{3} \mathrm{GV}_{9}$ - minimal binding motif, ${ }^{4} \mathrm{Ac}$ - NV 9 - modified $N$-terminus, ${ }^{5} \mathrm{Ac}-\mathrm{NV}_{9} \mathrm{NH}_{2}$ - modified N - and C -terminus, ${ }^{6} \mathrm{NV}_{9}-\mathrm{NH}_{2}$ - modified $C$-terminus.

| mass species | M/Da | $\mathrm{m}_{\exp } / \mathrm{Da}$ | $s\left(m_{\text {exp }}\right) / \mathrm{Da}$ | FWHM/Da | $s\left(m_{\text {exp }}\right) / \mathrm{Da}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| dsA2-M1 | 43,608 | 43,603 | 4 | 20 | 20 |
| dsA2 | 43,739 | 43,733 | 4 | 3 | 2 |
| heavy chain (hc) | 31,877 | 31,873 | 2 | 2.1 | 0.3 |
| $\beta_{2} \mathrm{~m}$ chain - M1 | 11,731 | 11,729 | 2 | 1.1 | 0.4 |
| $\beta_{2} \mathrm{~m}$ chain | 11,862 | 11,860 | 1 | 1.4 | 0.2 |
| dsA2/NV9 ${ }^{1}$ | 44,682 | 44,678 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| dsA2/2×NV9 | 45,625 | 45,624 | 4 | 12 | 6 |
| hc/NV9 | 32,820 | 32,816.9 | o. 8 | 2.2 | 0.3 |
| dsA2/YF9 ${ }^{2}$ | 44,856 | 44,849 | 1 | 7 | 3 |
| $\mathrm{dsA} 2 / \mathrm{GV}_{9}{ }^{3}$ | 44,369 | 44,363.8 | 0.7 | 2 | 1 |
| dsA2/ $2 \times \mathrm{GV} 9$ | 44,999 | 44,995 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| hc/GV9 | 32,507 | 32,503.0 | 0.5 | 2.08 | 0.09 |
| dsA2/Ac-NV9 ${ }^{4}$ | 44,724 | 44,718.3 | 0.5 | 1.6 | 0.3 |
| dsA2/2×Ac-NV9 | 45,709 | 45,704 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| hc/Ac-NV9 | 32,862 | 32,857.3 | 0.5 | 1.9 | 0.1 |
| dsA2/Ac-NV9- $\mathrm{NH}_{2}{ }^{5}$ | 44,723 | 44,717.4 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 0.1 |
| $\mathrm{dsA} 2 / 2 \times \mathrm{Ac}-\mathrm{NV}_{9}-\mathrm{NH}_{2}$ | 45,707 | 45,701.00 | 1.00 | 1.8 | 0.6 |
| hc/Ac-NV9- $\mathrm{NH}_{2}$ | 32,861 | 32,857.0 | 0.9 | 1.7 | 0.2 |
| dsA2/NV9- $\mathrm{NH}_{2}{ }^{6}$ | 44,681 | 44,676.4 | 0.5 | 1.38 | 0.06 |
| dsA2/ $2 \times \mathrm{NV} 9-\mathrm{NH}_{2}$ | 45,623 | 45,619.6 | 0.9 | 1.6 | 0.6 |
| $\mathrm{hc} / \mathrm{NV9}^{-\mathrm{NH}_{2}}$ | 32,819 | 32,815.1 | 0.9 | 1.72 | 0.10 |


| mass species | M/Da | $\mathrm{m}_{\text {exp }} / \mathrm{Da}$ | $\boldsymbol{s}\left(m_{\text {exp }}\right) / \mathrm{Da}$ | FWHM/Da | $s\left(m_{\text {exp }}\right) / \mathrm{Da}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| dsA2/NP4 | 44,181 | 44,176 | 3 | 10 | 10 |
| dsA2/2×NP4 | 44,623 | 44,619 | 4 | 30 | 40 |
| hc/NP4 | 32,319 | 32,317 | 2 | 20 | 40 |
| dsA2/NM5 | 44,312 | 44,309 | 2 | 6 | 3 |
| dsA2/2×NM5 | 44,885 | 44,883 | 2 | 60 | 50 |
| $\mathrm{hc} / \mathrm{NM}_{5}$ | 32,450 | 32,449 | 1 | 2.5 | 0.6 |
| dsA2/NV6 | 44,411 | 44411 | 1 | 7 | 2 |
| dsA2/2×NV6 | 45,083 | 45,082 | 3 | 145 | 6 |
| hc/NV6 | 32,549 | 32,547 | 3 | 6 | 7 |
| $\mathrm{dsA2}_{2} \mathrm{NA}_{7}$ | 44,481 | 44,476.4 | 0.5 | 5 | 3 |
| $\mathrm{dsA}_{2} / 2 \times \mathrm{NA} 7$ | 45,223 | 45,225 | 4 | 30 | 60 |
| hc/NA7 | 32,619 | 32,615 | 2 | 2.4 | 0.5 |
| dsA2/NT8 | 44,583 | 44,579.33 | 1.00 | 3 | 2 |
| dsA2/2×NT8 | 45,427 | 45,425 | 2 | 7 | 5 |
| hc/NT8 | 32,721 | 32,718.1 | 0.3 | 2.4 | 0.7 |
| dsA2/LV8 | 44,568 | 44,565.8 | 0.7 | 2.6 | 0.7 |
| dsA2/2×LV8 | 45,397 | 45,396.1 | 0.3 | 3.4 | 1.0 |
| hc/LV8 | 32,706 | 32,704.8 | 0.4 | 2.18 | 0.04 |
| dsA2/VV7 | 44,455 | 44,447.8 | o. 8 | 7 | 3 |
| dsA2/2×VV7 | 45,171 | 45,166 | 3 | 3 | 1 |
| $\mathrm{hc} / \mathrm{VV}_{7}$ | 32,593 | 32,586 | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| dsA2/PV6 | 44,356 | 44,350 | 3 | 5 | 3 |
| dsA2/2×PV6 | 44,973 | 44969 | 4 | 100 | 50 |
| hc/PV6 | 32,194 | 32,487 | 3 | 2.3 | 0.4 |
| dsAz/MV5 | 44,259 | 44,254 | 3 | 8 | 12 |
| dsAz/2×MV5 | 44,779 | 44,774 | 4 | 20 | 30 |


| mass species | M/Da | $\mathrm{m}_{\text {exp }} / \mathrm{Da}$ | $s\left(m_{\text {exp }}\right) / \mathrm{Da}$ | FWHM/Da | $s\left(m_{\text {exp }}\right) / \mathrm{Da}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| hc/MV5 | 32,397 | 32,388.4 | 1.0 | 2.1 | 0.2 |
| dsA2/VV4 | 44,127 | 44,125 | 5 | 10 | 10 |
| dsA2/2×VV4 | 44,515 | 44,512 | 8 | 20 | 30 |
| hc/VV4 | 32,265 | 32,255 | 1 | 10 | 3 |
| dsA2/erucamide | 44,077 | 44,071 | 5 | 10 | 20 |
| dsA2/NP4/VV4 | 44,569 | 44,565 | 2 | 30 | 40 |
| dsA2/NP4/MV5 | 44,701 | 44,697 | 2 | 4 | 5 |
| dsA2/NP4/PV6 | 44,798 | 44,792 | 3 | 7 | 6 |
| dsA2/NM5/VV4 | 44,700 | 44,699 | 2 | 30 | 40 |
| $\mathrm{dsA}_{2} / \mathrm{NM}_{5} / \mathrm{MV}_{5}$ | 44,832 | 44,827 | 2 | 12 | 3 |
| dsA2/NM5/PV6 | 44,929 | 44,927 | 2 | 100 | 40 |
| dsA2/NV6/VV4 | 44,799 | 44,797 | 4 | 30 | 40 |
| dsA2/NV6/MV5 | 45,451 | 44927 | 5 | 100 | 60 |

Table S2. Overall area under the curve (AUC) for the detected dsA2 mass species at different acceleration voltages. The AUC is determined over the entire spectrum for the respective mass species at $10 \mathrm{~V}, 25 \mathrm{~V}$ and 50 V . The mean value of the AUC in absence or presence of the different peptides (protein-peptide ratio $1: 5$, 1:10:10 in dual peptide approach) from at least three independent measurements is listed together with their corresponding standard deviation $s$. "dsAz" corresponds to the empty HLA$\mathrm{A}^{*} \mathrm{O2}: 01\left(\mathrm{Y} 84 \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{A}_{139 \mathrm{C}}\right.$ ) disulfide mutant complex, "dsA2/pep" to dsA2 bound to one peptide, "dsA2/pep/pep" to dsAz bound to two molecules of this certain peptide, "dsAz/pepz" to dsAz bound to another peptide when two different peptides where present, "dsAz/pepz/pepz" to dsAz bound to two molecules of the second peptide, "dsA2/pep1/pepz" to dsA2 bound to one molecule of each of both peptides and "dsA2/erucamide" to dsA2 bound to the erucamide respectively. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{NV} 9$ - high affinity control, ${ }^{2} \mathrm{YF} 9$ - low affinity control, 3 GV 9 - minimal binding motif, $4 \mathrm{Ac}-\mathrm{NV} 9$ - modified N -terminus, 5 Ac - $\mathrm{NV}_{9} \mathrm{NH}_{2}$ - modified N - and C -terminus, ${ }^{6} \mathrm{NV}_{9}-\mathrm{NH}_{2}-$ modified C -terminus.

| peptide | acc. volt. | dsA2 |  | dsA2/pep |  | dsA2/pep/pep |  | dsA2/pep2 |  | dsA2/pep2/pep2 |  | dsA2/pep1/pep2 |  | dsA2/erucamide |  |
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|  |  | AUC | s | AUC | s | AUC | s | AUC | s | AUC | s | AUC | s | AUC | s |
| NV9 ${ }^{1}$ | 10 V | 31\% | 2\% | 64\% | 3\% | 4\% | 4\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2\% | 2\% |
|  | 25 V | 28\% | 4\% | 64\% | 5\% | 7\% | 6\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.5\% | 0.5\% |
|  | 50 V | 59\% | 5\% | 40\% | 4\% | 1\% | 2\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | o\% | o\% |
| YF9 ${ }^{2}$ | 10 V | 56\% | 3\% | 4\% | 2\% | o\% | o\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 39\% | 2\% |
|  | 25 V | 51\% | 4\% | 5\% | 2\% | o\% | o\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 44\% | 3\% |
|  | 50 V | 95\% | 5\% | 5\% | 2\% | o\% | o\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2\% | 2\% |
| GV93 | 10 V | 52\% | 2\% | 43\% | 2\% | 1.5\% | 0.4\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4.3\% | o.6\% |
|  | 25 V | 50\% | 1\% | 43\% | 3\% | 2.2\% | 0.9\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5\% | 2\% |
|  | 50 V | 62\% | 3\% | 35\% | 3\% | 1.1\% | 0.3\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1.7\% | 0.2\% |
| $\mathrm{Ac}-\mathrm{NV}_{9}{ }^{4}$ | 10 V | 24\% | 2\% | 63\% | 3\% | 11\% | 2\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2.1\% | 0.5\% |
|  | 25 V | 23\% | 2\% | 64\% | 1\% | 9\% | 1\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3\% | 2\% |
|  | 50 V | 33\% | 2\% | 57\% | 2\% | 8\% | 1\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1.7\% | 0.9\% |
| $\mathrm{Ac}-\mathrm{NV}_{9}-\mathrm{NH}_{2}{ }^{5}$ | 10 V | 55\% | 2\% | 27.9\% | 0.5\% | 2.4\% | o.6\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 15\% | 1\% |
|  | 25 V | 57\% | 2\% | 28\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 14\% | 1\% |
|  | 50 V | 72\% | 3\% | 25\% | 3\% | 1\% | 1\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2.2\% | 0.4\% |
| $\mathrm{NV}_{9}-\mathrm{NH}_{2}{ }^{6}$ | 10 V | 36\% | 2\% | 59\% | 2\% | 5\% | 1\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.4\% | 0.2\% |
|  | 25 V | 36\% | 2\% | 58\% | 2\% | 5\% | 1\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.3\% | 0.3\% |
|  | 50 V | 61\% | 1\% | 38\% | 1\% | 1.6\% | 0.3\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | o.1\% | 0.2\% |


| peptide | acc. volt. | dsA2 |  | dsA2/pep |  | dsA2/pep/pep |  | dsA2/pep2 |  | dsA2/pep2/pepz |  | dsA2/pep1/pep2 |  | dsA2/erucamide |  |
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|  |  | AUC | s | AUC | s | AUC | s | AUC | s | AUC | s | AUC | s | AUC | s |
| NP 4 | 10 V | 55\% | 2\% | 11\% | 1\% | o.6\% | 0.2\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 33.8\% | 0.6\% |
|  | 25 V | 57.8\% | 0.9\% | 10.4\% | 0.5\% | o.69\% | 0.06\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 31.1\% | 0.5\% |
|  | 50 V | 92.4\% | 0.5\% | 2.6\% | 0.1\% | 0.8\% | 0.1\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4.3\% | 0.3\% |
| $\mathrm{NM}_{5}$ | 10 V | 62\% | 2\% | 17.9\% | 0.6\% | 1.0\% | 0.2\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 19\% | 1\% |
|  | 25 V | 64\% | 3\% | 18.0\% | 0.7\% | 1.2\% | 0.2\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 17\% | 2\% |
|  | 50 V | 90.3\% | o.6\% | 8.1\% | 0.3\% | 0.3\% | 0.6\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1.3\% | 0.1\% |
| NV6 | 10 V | 66\% | 1\% | 10\% | 2\% | 0.5\% | 0.1\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 24\% | 1\% |
|  | 25 V | 66\% | 1\% | 11\% | 2\% | 0.69\% | 0.08\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 22\% | 2\% |
|  | 50 V | 91.2\% | 0,5\% | 4.1\% | o.8\% | 1.9\% | 0.3\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2.9\% | 0.4\% |
| $\mathrm{NA}_{7}$ | 10 V | 75\% | 3\% | 16\% | 2\% | o.8\% | 0.3\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 8\% | 1\% |
|  | 25 V | 68\% | 3\% | 19\% | 2\% | 1.4\% | 0.7\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 11\% | 1\% |
|  | 50 V | 86\% | 4\% | 12\% | 3\% | 0.5\% | 0.5\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1.8\% | o.2\% |
| NT8 | 10 V | 47.3\% | 0.9\% | 28\% | 1\% | 0.6\% | 0.5\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 24\% | 1\% |
|  | 25 V | 50\% | 3\% | 28.2\% | 0.9\% | 1\% | 1\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 21\% | 1\% |
|  | 50 V | 75\% | 2\% | 23\% | 1\% | 0.2\% | 0.3\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1.6\% | 0.3\% |
| LV8 | 10 V | 42\% | 6\% | 54\% | 5\% | 2.8\% | 0.3\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1.7\% | 0.9\% |
|  | 25 V | 40\% | 3\% | 54\% | 3\% | 3.9\% | o.8\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1.5\% | 0.7\% |
|  | 50 V | 53\% | 2\% | 45\% | 2\% | 1.6\% | 0.2\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.4\% | 0.4\% |
| $\mathrm{VV}_{7}$ | 10 V | 61.8\% | 0.5\% | 17\% | 2\% | 1.7\% | 0.3\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 19\% | 3\% |
|  | 25 V | 62\% | 3\% | 17\% | 3\% | 1.16\% | 0.06\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 20.2\% | 0.7\% |
|  | 50 V | 96\% | 3\% | 3\% | 2\% | o\% | o\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1.3\% | 0.6\% |
| PV6 | 10 V | 68\% | 6\% | 12\% | 2\% | 0.5\% | o.6\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 19\% | 3\% |
|  | 25 V | 68\% | 6\% | 13\% | 3\% | 0.5\% | 0.2\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 19\% | 3\% |
|  | 50 V | 90\% | 3\% | 5\% | 1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5\% | 1\% |


| peptide | acc. <br> volt. | dsA2 |  | dsA2/pep |  | dsA2/pep/pep |  | dsA2/pep2 |  | dsAz/pepz/pep2 |  | dsA2/pep1/pep2 |  | dsAz/erucamide |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | AUC | s | AUC | s | AUC | s | AUC | s | AUC | s | AUC | s | AUC | s |
| $\mathrm{MV}_{5}$ | 10 V | 64\% | 3\% | 23\% | 2\% | 3.2\% | 0.7\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 10.4\% | 0.2\% |
|  | 25 V | 63\% | 4\% | 23\% | 2\% | 3.7\% | 1.0\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 10.4\% | 0.4\% |
|  | 50 V | 8o\% | 3\% | 15\% | 2\% | 1.5\% | 0.6\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3.3\% | 0.3\% |
| VV4 | 10 V | 68\% | 1\% | 14\% | 1\% | o\% | o\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 18.093\% | 0.007\% |
|  | 25 V | 68\% | 2\% | 14\% | 1\% | o\% | o\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 17.6\% | 1.0\% |
|  | 50 V | 92\% | 1\% | 4.1\% | 1.0\% | o\% | o\% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4.0\% | 0.4\% |
| $\mathrm{NP}_{4}$ <br> VV4 | 10 V | 54\% | 2\% | 9\% | 3\% | 1.1\% | 0.5\% | 10\% | 1\% | 1.2\% | 1.0\% | 2.1\% | 0.5\% | 22\% | 4\% |
|  | 25 V | 56\% | 2\% | 8\% | 2\% | 0.5\% | 0.5\% | 10\% | 1\% | 0.7\% | 0.7\% | 1.6\% | 0.5\% | 22\% | 4\% |
|  | 50 V | 87\% | 2\% | 5\% | 1\% | o\% | o\% | 4.4\% | 0.6\% | o\% | o\% | o\% | o\% | 3.1\% | 0.4\% |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{NP} 4 \\ & + \\ & \mathrm{MV}_{5} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 10 V | 42.9\% | 0.9\% | 6\% | 2\% | 1,8\% | 0.3\% | 27\% | 1\% | 5.6\% | 0.3\% | 5.2\% | o.8\% | 10\% | 1\% |
|  | 25 V | 43\% | 2\% | 5\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 27\% | 2\% | 6.4\% | 0.6\% | 5.3\% | 0.9\% | 10.5\% | o.8\% |
|  | 50 V | 76\% | 5\% | 3\% | 1\% | 0.5\% | 0.9\% | 14\% | 2\% | 1.9\% | o.8\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1.8\% | 0.3\% |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{NP} 4 \\ & + \\ & \mathrm{PV6} \end{aligned}$ | 10 V | 48\% | 3\% | 8\% | 1\% | 1.7\% | 0.3\% | 13\% | 2\% | 0.9\% | 0.8\% | 2.8\% | 0.2\% | 25\% | 2\% |
|  | 25 V | 49\% | 1\% | 8.5\% | o.6\% | 1.4\% | 0.2\% | 13.6\% | 0.5\% | 0.4\% | 0.7\% | 2.1\% | 0.1\% | 24.5\% | 0.9\% |
|  | 50 V | 90.8\% | 0.3\% | 3.0\% | 0.3\% | o\% | o\% | 3.5\% | o.1\% | o\% | o\% | o\% | o\% | 2.5\% | 0.1\% |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{NM}_{5} \\ & + \\ & \mathrm{VV}_{4} \end{aligned}$ | 10 V | 56\% | 3\% | 13\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 8.9\% | o.8\% | 0.5\% | o.8\% | 1.8\% | 1.6\% | 18\% | 4\% |
|  | 25 V | 55.7\% | 0.7\% | 14.2\% | 0.9\% | o\% | o\% | 8.6\% | 0.4\% | o\% | o\% | 2.0\% | 1.9\% | 19\% | 2\% |
|  | 50 V | 86\% | 4\% | 8\% | 1\% | o\% | o\% | 2.8\% | 1.0\% | o\% | o\% | o\% | o\% | 4\% | 2\% |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{NM}_{5} \\ & + \\ & \mathrm{MV}_{5} \end{aligned}$ | 10 V | 46\% | 7\% | 8\% | 3\% | 5\% | 4\% | 20\% | 1\% | 4.9\% | o.8\% | 6\% | 1\% | 9\% | 1\% |
|  | 25 V | 51\% | 9\% | 6\% | 3\% | 3\% | 3\% | 20\% | 3\% | 4.5\% | 0.5\% | 5\% | 3\% | 9\% | 2\% |
|  | 50 V | 75\% | 7\% | 6\% | 5\% | o\% | o\% | 11.7\% | 0.4\% | 4\% | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { NM5 } \\ & + \\ & \text { PV6 } \end{aligned}$ | 10 V | 58\% | 2\% | 11.9\% | o.6\% | 1\% | 2\% | 9\% | 2\% | o\% | o\% | 0.4\% | 0.7\% | 18\% | 1\% |
|  | 25 V | 60.3\% | 0.5\% | 12.0\% | o.8\% | 1\% | 1\% | 8.9\% | 0.4\% | o\% | o\% | 0.4\% | 0.7\% | 17.3\% | 0.4\% |
|  | 50 V | 91.1\% | 0.7\% | 5.6\% | 0.2\% | o\% | o\% | 2.4\% | 0.2\% | o\% | o\% | o\% | o\% | 0.9\% | o.8\% |


| peptide | acc. <br> volt. | dsA2 |  | dsA2/pep |  | dsA2/pep/pep |  | dsA2/pep2 |  | dsA2/pepz/pepz |  | dsA2/pep1/pep2 |  | dsA2/erucamide |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | AUC | s | AUC | s | AUC | s | AUC | s | AUC | s | AUC | s | AUC | s |
| NV6 | 10 V | 47\% | 8\% | 6\% | 1\% | 1\% | o\% | 17\% | 4\% | 7\% | 4\% | 3\% | o\% | 18\% | 1\% |
| $+$ | 25 V | 48\% | 4\% | 6\% | o\% | 1\% | 2\% | 16\% | 2\% | 5\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% | 21\% | 3\% |
| VV4 | 50 V | 81\% | 7\% | 3\% | 1\% | o\% | o\% | 7\% | 4\% | 2\% | 1\% | o\% | o\% | 7\% | 2\% |
| NV6 | 10 V | 47\% | 5\% | 8\% | 2\% | 4\% | 2\% | 21\% | 1\% | 6.5\% | o.8\% | 3.0\% | 0.3\% | 10\% | 2\% |
| + | 25 V | 42\% | 8\% | 9\% | 3\% | 4\% | 2\% | 20\% | 3\% | 8\% | 2\% | 5\% | 3\% | 10.2\% | o.8\% |
| MV5 | 50 V | 71\% | 5\% | 6\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 12.5\% | 0.9\% | 2.1\% | 0.7\% | 1.4\% | o.6\% | 6\% | 1\% |

Table S3. Apparent dissociation constants ( $K_{\mathrm{d}}$ ) for dsA2 and different peptides obtained by native MS and iDSF. The $K_{\mathrm{d}}$ is calculated from the respective area under the curve values at 10 V acceleration voltage (protein-peptide ratio 1:5). $K_{\mathrm{d}, \text { high }}$ is an affinity determined on the basis of a real experiment at a cone voltage of 150 V , while a theoretical cone voltage of 36 V is assumed for $K_{\mathrm{d}, \text { low }}$ to correct for ion-source decay. $K_{\mathrm{d}, \mathrm{DSFF}}$ is derived by two independent measurements. Protein concentration is $2.2 \mu \mathrm{M}$. For each ligand, a two-fold serial dilution series is prepared using 11 concentrations depending on their predicted or assumed $K_{d}$ range. The listed standard deviation $s$ for $K_{d}$ is determined using common equations, which estimate the propagation of uncertainty. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{NV}_{9}$ - high affinity control, ${ }^{2} \mathrm{GV} 9$ - minimal binding motif, 3 Ac - NV 9 - modified N -terminus, ${ }^{4} \mathrm{Ac}-\mathrm{NV}_{9} \mathrm{NH}_{2}$ - modified N - and C -terminus, ${ }^{5} \mathrm{NV}_{9}-\mathrm{NH}_{2}$ - modified $C$-terminus; *iDSF reaches its limits at affinities below 200 nm , hence the values of grayedout peptides are not reliable.

| peptide | sequence | $K_{\text {d,high }}$ |  | $K_{\text {d,low }}$ |  | $K_{\text {d, iDSF }}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $K_{\mathrm{d}} / \boldsymbol{\mu \mathrm { M }}$ | s/ $\mu \mathrm{M}$ | $K_{\mathrm{d}} / \boldsymbol{\mu} \mathrm{M}$ | $\mathbf{s} / \boldsymbol{\mu M}$ | $K_{\mathrm{d}} / \mu \mathrm{M}$ | $\mathrm{s} / \boldsymbol{\mu \mathrm { M }}$ |
| NV9 ${ }^{1}$ | NLVPMVATV | 8 | 2 | 0.06 | 0.08 | 0.04* | 0.01 |
| $\mathrm{GV}^{2}$ | GLGGGGGGV | 35 | 2 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.36 | 0.06 |
| Ac- $\mathrm{NV}_{9}{ }^{3}$ |  | 4.5 | 1.0 | 0.11 | 0.05 | 0.61 | 0.08 |
| $\mathrm{Ac}^{\text {- }} \mathrm{NV}_{9}-\mathrm{NH}_{2}{ }^{4}$ |  | 80 | 7 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 1 |
| $\mathrm{NV}_{9}-\mathrm{NH}_{2}{ }^{5}$ |  | 10 | 1 | 0.004 | 0.003 | 0.001* | 0.001 |
| NP4 | NLVP | 350 | 60 | 100 | 70 | 50 | 20 |
| $\mathrm{NM}_{5}$ | NLVPM | 180 | 30 | 15 | 6 | ${ }^{11}$ | 3 |
| NV6 | NLVPMV | 380 | 70 | 30 | 10 | 9 | 2 |
| $\mathrm{NA}_{7}$ | NLVPMVA | 210 | 40 | 2.0 | 0.7 | 3.6 | 0.5 |
| NT8 | NLVPMVAT | 92 | 5 | 30 | 10 | 2.6 | 0.4 |
| LV8 | LVPMVATV | 17 | 3 | 0.07 | 0.06 | 0.008* | 0.005 |
| VV7 | VPMVATV | 180 | 30 | 15 | 7 | 7.8 | 1.0 |
| PV6 | PMVATV | 300 | 200 | 15 | 7 | 15 | 2 |
| MV5 | MVATV | 110 | 10 | 3 | 1 | 1.6 | 0.2 |
| VV4 | VATV | 270 | 30 | 13 | 4 | 50 | 20 |
| $\mathrm{NP}_{4}+\mathrm{VV}_{4}$ |  |  |  | 90 | 30 |  |  |
| $\mathrm{NP}_{4}+\mathrm{MV}_{5}$ |  |  |  | 11 | 3 |  |  |
| NP4+PV6 |  |  |  | 130 | 50 |  |  |
| $\mathrm{NM}_{5}+\mathrm{VV}_{4}$ |  |  |  | 50 | 20 |  |  |
| $\mathrm{NM}_{5}+\mathrm{MV} 5$ |  |  |  | 9 | 3 |  |  |


| peptide | sequence | $K_{\text {d,high }}$ |  | $K_{\text {d,low }}$ |  | $K_{\text {d, idSF }}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $K_{\text {d }} / \mu \mathrm{M}$ | $s / \mu \mathrm{M}$ | $K_{\text {d }} / \mu \mathrm{M}$ | $s / \mu \mathrm{M}$ | $K_{\mathrm{d}} / \mu \mathrm{M}$ | $s / \mu \mathrm{M}$ |
| NM5+PV6 |  |  |  | 50 | 10 |  |  |
| NV6+VV4 |  |  |  | 50 | 10 |  |  |
| NV6+MV5 |  |  |  | 13 | 4 |  |  |

Table S4. Melting temperatures ( $T_{m}$ ) for dsAz and different peptides obtained by nDSF. The $T_{m}$ as well as the resulting $s$ for dsAz in absence or presence of the different peptides is defined by at least two independent measurements. Protein concentration is $2 \mu \mathrm{M}$. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{NV} 9$ - high affinity control, ${ }^{2} \mathrm{YF}_{9}$ - low affinity control, 3 GV 9 - minimal binding motif, ${ }^{4} \mathrm{Ac}-\mathrm{NV} 9$ - modified $N$-terminus, ${ }^{5} \mathrm{Ac}-\mathrm{NV}_{9} \mathrm{NH}_{2}$ - modified N - and $C$-terminus, ${ }^{6} \mathrm{NV}_{9}-\mathrm{NH}_{2}$ - modified $C$-terminus.

| peptide | $0.2 \mu \mathrm{M}$ |  | $2 \mu \mathrm{M}$ |  | $20 \mu \mathrm{M}$ |  | 1 mM |  | 2 mM |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $T_{m} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | s/ ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{m}} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | s/ ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{m}} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | s/ ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{m}} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | s/ ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{m}} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | s/ ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| empty | 35.7 | 0.6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| NV91 | 35.8 | o. 8 | 58.96 | 0.07 | 59.1 | 0.1 | 60.698 | 0.007 |  |  |
| YF92 | 36.1 | o. 8 | 36.1 | o. 8 | 36.2 | o. 8 |  |  |  |  |
| GV93 | 36.4 | o. 6 | 38.8 | 0. 4 | 42.1 | 0.2 | 47.6 | 0.1 |  |  |
| Ac-NV94 | 36.6 | 0.7 | 39.6 | o. 6 | 43.2 | o. 6 | 48.420 | 0.001 |  |  |
| Ac-NV9-NH25 | 36.0 | o. 8 | 36.6 | 0. 4 | 38.4 | 0.3 |  |  |  |  |
| NV9-NH26 | 36.0 | 0.9 | 46.9 | 0.2 | 50.3 | 0.3 | 55.53 | 0.04 |  |  |
| $\mathrm{NP}_{4}$ | 35.6 | 0. 4 | 35.7 | 0.5 | 35.8 | 0. 4 | 38.95 | 0.04 | 42.10 | 0.06 |
| NM5 | 35.6 | 0.5 | 35.9 | 0.4 | 37.3 | 0.3 | 45.04 | 0.07 | 45.93 | 0.03 |
| NV6 | 35.5 | 0.1 | 35.9 | 0.2 | 37.61 | 0.05 | 44.1 | 0.6 | 44.6 | 0.2 |
| NA7 | 35.51 | 0.09 | 35.9 | 0.1 | 37.95 | 0.06 | 45.442 | 0.007 |  |  |
| NT8 | 35.5 | 0.1 | 36.02 | 0.09 | 38.78 | 0.02 | 46.89 | 0.02 |  |  |
| LV8 | 35.40 | 0.08 | 43.5 | 0.1 | 47.28 | 0.04 | 53.30 | 0.04 |  |  |
| $\mathrm{VV}_{7}$ | 35.5 | 0.1 | 35.7 | 0.2 | 37.0 | 0.1 | 42.29 | 0.01 |  |  |
| PV6 | 35.5 | 0.2 | 35.62 | 0.09 | 36.40 | 0.02 | 42.2 | 0.3 | 43.6 | 0.5 |
| MV5 | 35.64 | 0.08 | 36.5 | 0.1 | 39.31 | 0.07 | 47.90 | 0.01 | 49.253 | 0.003 |
| VV4 | 35.475 | 0.002 | 35.1 | o. 6 | 35.5 | 0.2 | 41.47 | 0.03 | 42.6 | 0.1 |
| $\mathrm{NP}_{4}+\mathrm{VV}_{4}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | 44.99 | 0.05 | 47.93 | 0.10 |
| $\mathrm{NP}_{4}+\mathrm{MV}_{5}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | 47.55 | 0.06 | 50.35 | 0.05 |
| NP4+PV6 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 43.88 | 0.05 | 46.47 | 0.08 |
| $\mathrm{NM}_{5}+\mathrm{VV} 4$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | 47.22 | 0.05 | 47.26 | 0.08 |
| $\mathrm{NM}_{5}+\mathrm{MV}_{5}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | 47.59 | 0.03 | 49.900 | 0.002 |
| NM5+PV6 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 45.45 | 0.02 | 47.295 | 0.010 |


| peptide | $0.2 \mu \mathrm{M}$ |  | $2 \mu \mathrm{M}$ |  | $20 \mu \mathrm{M}$ |  | 1 mM |  | 2 mM |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{m}} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | s/ ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{m}} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | s/ ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $T_{m} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | s/ ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{m}} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | s/ ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{m}} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | s/ ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| NV6+VV4 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 44.14 | 0.05 | 46.3 | 0.2 |
| NV6+MV5 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 47.36 | 0.04 | 49.84 | 0.02 |
| NV6+PV6 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 44.8 | 0.1 | 46.6 | 0.1 |

