

Figure 1.

HA-Ahx-Ahx-Ub-VME (human sequence, synthetic)

UbiQ code : UbiQ-035
 Batch # : B01042014-001
 Amount : 50 ug, lyophilized powder
 Purity : ≥95% by RP-HPLC
 Mol. Weight : 9.91 kDa
 Storage : upon arrival, powder at -20°C; solution at -80°C. Avoid multiple freeze/thaw cycles.

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Background. UbiQ-035 is an activity-based probe for deubiquitinating enzymes (DUBs) that is based on ubiquitin functionalised with a C-terminal electrophilic vinyl methyl ester (VME) and an N-terminal HA-tag. The HA peptide sequence (YPYDVPDYA) is derived from the influenza hemagglutinin protein and allows for the sensitive identification or purification of DUBs since it is specifically recognized by anti-HA antibodies and anti-HA-agarose. The HA tag is separated from the Ub *N*-terminus by two aminohexanoic acid (Ahx) linkers for efficient recognition of the tag.

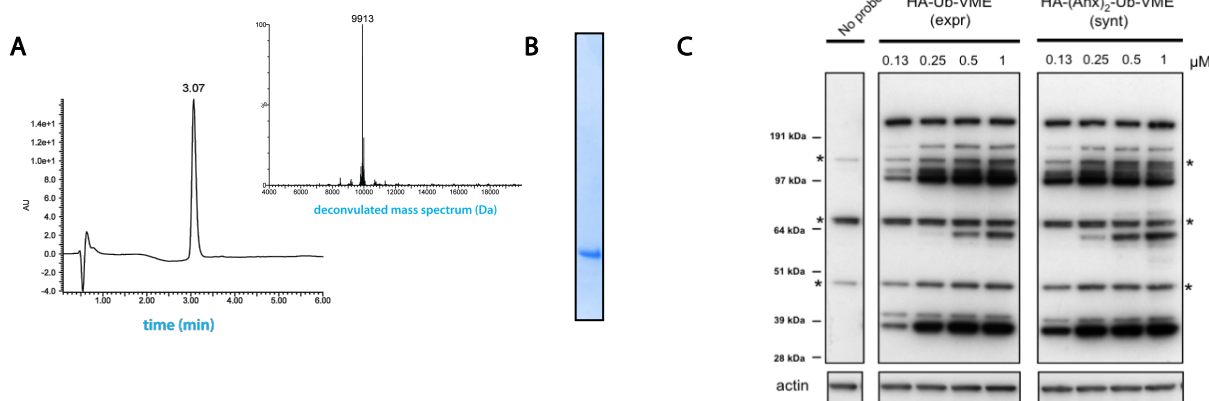


Figure 2. A: LC-MS analysis. Mobile phase A= 1% CH₃CN, 0.1% formic acid in water (milliQ) and B= 1% water (milliQ) and 0.1% formic acid in CH₃CN. Phenomenex Kinetex C18, (2.1×50 mm, 2.6 μM); flow rate= 0.8 mL/min, column T= 40°C. Gradient: 5-95%B over 3.5 min. B: SDS-PAGE analysis. 12% Bis-Tris, MES buffer, CBB staining. C: Comparison DUB labeling efficiency between conventional HA-Ub-VME (obtained from bacterial expressed Ub precursor)² and synthetic HA-Ahx-Ahx-Ub-VME (UbiQ-035). EL4 cell lysate was incubated at ambient temperature for 15 min. with indicated concentrations of probe; both probes (i.e., expressed and synthetic UbiQ-035) showed comparable DUB labeling. * = background bands due to cross-reactivity of anti-HA antibody.

important: sample preparation

- dissolve the powder in as little DMSO as possible (e.g., 20 mg/mL)
- add this DMSO stock slowly to milliQ (please note the order of addition).
- next, buffer as desired.
- for detailed experimental conditions please see open-access reference 1

Note: higher molecular weight artefacts are observed sometimes during SDS-PAGE analysis of monoUb reagents (especially with reactive DUB activity-based probes). This can be caused by (heat-induced) aggregation (Morimoto et al. *Sci Rep* 2018, 8, article 2711). If possible, avoid heating the samples in Laemmli sample buffer for SDS-PAGE analysis and/or add 4M urea to the loading buffer.

Literature. (1) de Jong et al. *ChemBioChem* **2012**, 13, 2251. (2) El Oualid et al. *Angew Chem Int Ed* **2010**, 49, 10149.