

Supporting Information:

Imaging Acetaldehyde Formation During Ethanol Metabolism in Living Cells using a Hydrazinyl Naphthalimide Fluorescent Probe

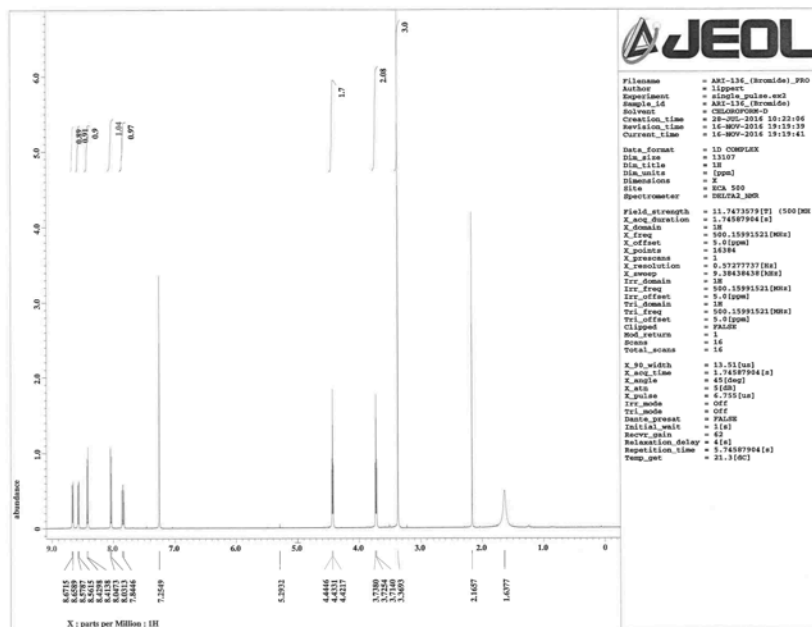
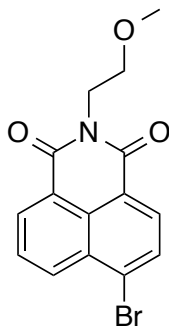
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1. Synthetic Procedures.

General Methods. All reactions were performed in oven-dried glassware under an atmosphere of N₂. Reagents were used without further purification. Reagents were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich (St. Louis, MO) or Alfa Aesar (Ward Hill, MA). Analytical thin layer chromatography was performed using Silicycle 60 F254 silica gel (pre-coated sheets, 0.25 mm thick). Plates were visualized by fluorescence quenching under UV light. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectroscopy was performed on a JEOL 500 MHz spectrometer in the Department of Chemistry at Southern Methodist University. All chemical shifts are reported in the standard notation of parts per million using the peak of residual proton signals of the deuterated solvent as an internal reference. Coupling constant units are in Hertz (Hz). Splitting patterns are indicated as follows: s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; q, quartet; m, multiplet; dd, doublet of doublets; br, broad. Chemical abbreviations are indicated as follows: EtOH, ethanol; EtOAc, ethyl acetate; H₂O, water; N₂, nitrogen. High-resolution mass spectroscopy was performed on a Shimadzu IT-TOF (ESI source) at the Shimadzu Center for Advanced Analytical Chemistry at the University of Texas, Arlington.



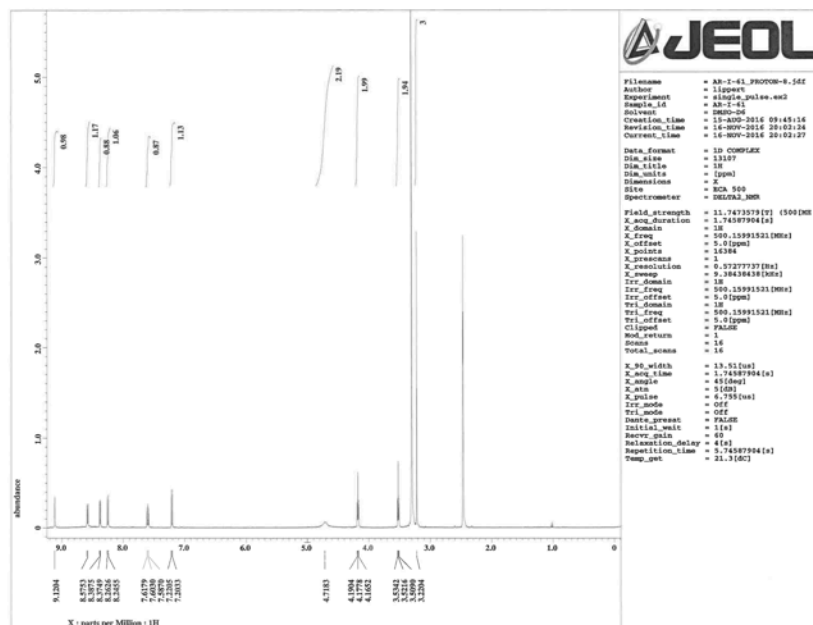


Figure S3. ^1H NMR (500 MHz) spectrum of AF1 in DMSO- d_6 .

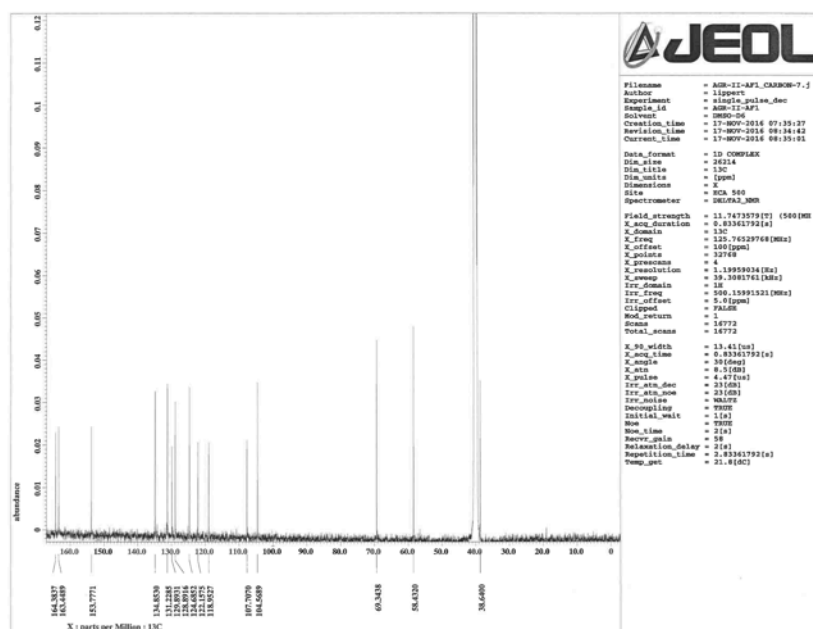


Figure S4. ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz) spectrum of AF1 in DMSO- d_6 .

0.1 cm. Acetaldehyde (CH_3CHO) and other stock solutions were prepared in DI water the day of each experiment and kept on ice.

Fluorescence Response. Wavelength scans of fluorescent emission of 10 μM **AF1** before and after the addition of 200 μM acetaldehyde were acquired in 20 mM HEPES buffer (pH 7.4). Solutions were prepared in a total of 500 μL HEPES including 2 μL of a 2.5 mM **AF1** stock solution in DMSO (10 μM final concentration). Fluorescent emission of the solution was collected at 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30 minutes after the addition of acetaldehyde (Figure 1) or 30 minutes after the addition of acetaldehyde (Figure S6). Relative turn-on refers to fluorescent turn-on at the time indicated divided by fluorescent emission of the blank.

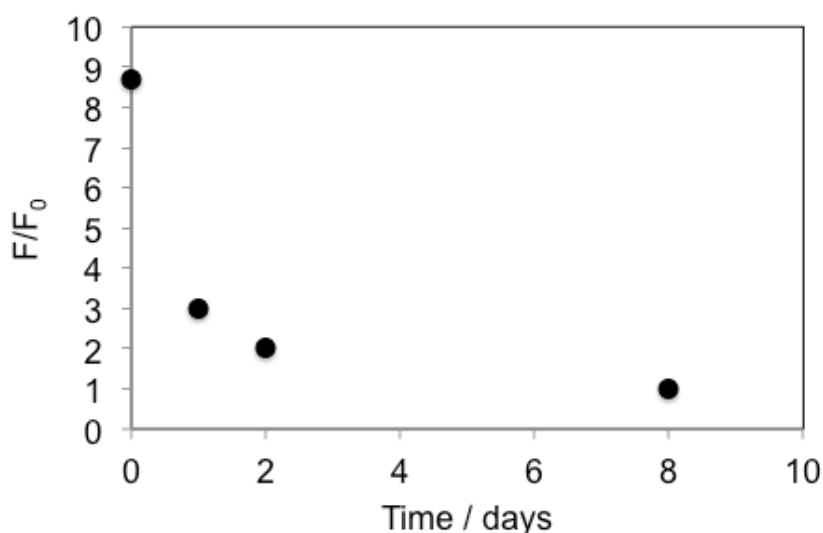


Figure S6. Decrease in fluorescence response of 10 μM **AF1** to 200 μM acetaldehyde over time. 400 μL DMSO was added to probe aliquot to make 2.5 mM and stored in the freezer between uses. Data were acquired in 20 mM HEPES buffered to pH 7.4 containing 0.2% DMSO with excitation at $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 440$ nm. Emission was collected between 460 and 650 nm. Points represent relative turn on of 10 μM **AF1** in response to 200 μM acetaldehyde after 30 minutes of incubation on various days.

3. Selectivity Studies. Selectivity studies for **AF1** were performed in 20 mM HEPES (pH 7.4) containing 0.2% DMSO and monitored using an F-7000 fluorescence spectrophotometer (Hitachi, Tokyo, Japan) every 5 min over 30 min. Reactions were performed as triplicates. All probe aliquots were prepared as 2.5 mM stock solutions in DMSO and were utilized immediately after dissolving.

Blank: Into an Eppendorf tube was added 498 μL 20 mM HEPES followed by 2 μL of 2.5 mM **AF1** (10 μM). This solution was vortexed and transferred to a quartz cuvette, where its fluorescent intensity was measured 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30 min after the addition of **AF1**.

Acetaldehyde (100 μ M): A 50 mM stock solution of acetaldehyde was made by adding 1.4 μ L acetaldehyde to 499 μ L chilled DI water. This solution was further diluted to 5 mM (100 μ L of 50 mM stock into 900 μ L chilled DI water). Into an Eppendorf tube was added 488 μ L of 20 mM HEPES, 2 μ L of 2.5 mM **AF1** (10 μ M), and 10 μ L of 5 mM acetaldehyde stock (100 μ M). This solution was vortexed and transferred to a quartz cuvette, where its fluorescent intensity was measured 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30 min after the addition of acetaldehyde.

Formaldehyde (100 μ M): A 5 mM stock solution of formaldehyde was prepared by adding 14.9 μ L of 37% w/v formaldehyde to 40 mL DI water. Into an Eppendorf tube was added 488 μ L of 20 mM HEPES, 2 μ L of 2.5 mM **AF1** (10 μ M), and 10 μ L of 5 mM formaldehyde stock (100 μ M). This solution was vortexed and transferred to a quartz cuvette, where its fluorescent intensity was measured 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30 min after the addition of formaldehyde.

4-Hydroxynonenal (100 μ M): A 5 mM stock solution of 4-hydroxynonenal was prepared by adding 3.1 μ L 4-hydroxynonenal (1 mg per 100 μ L EtOH) to 37 μ L DI water. Into an Eppendorf tube was added 488 μ L of 20 mM HEPES, 2 μ L of 2.5 mM **AF1** (10 μ M), and 10 μ L of 5 mM 4-hydroxynonenal stock (100 μ M). This solution was vortexed and transferred to a quartz cuvette, where its fluorescent intensity was measured 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30 min after the addition of 4-hydroxynonenal.

Glyoxal (100 μ M): A 5 mM stock solution of glyoxal was prepared by adding 11.4 μ L of 40% w/v glyoxal to 20 mL DI water. Into an Eppendorf tube was added 488 μ L of 20 mM HEPES, 2 μ L of 2.5 mM **AF1** (10 μ M), and 10 μ L of 5 mM glyoxal stock (100 μ M). This solution was vortexed and transferred to a quartz cuvette, where its fluorescent intensity was measured 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30 min after the addition of glyoxal.

Glyoxylic Acid (100 μ M): A 5 mM stock solution of glyoxylic acid was prepared by adding 9.6 mg glyoxylic acid to 20.8 mL DI water. Into an Eppendorf tube was added 488 μ L of 20 mM HEPES, 2 μ L of 2.5 mM **AF1** (10 μ M), and 10 μ L of 5 mM glyoxylic acid stock (100 μ M). This solution was vortexed and transferred to a quartz cuvette, where its fluorescent intensity was measured 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30 min after the addition of glyoxylic acid.

Methylglyoxal (100 μ M): A 5 mM stock solution of methylglyoxal was prepared by adding 5 μ L methylglyoxal to 16.3 mL chilled DI water. Into an Eppendorf tube was added 488 μ L of 20 mM HEPES, 2 μ L of 2.5 mM **AF1** (10 μ M), and 10 μ L of 5 mM methylglyoxal stock (100 μ M). This solution was vortexed and transferred to a quartz cuvette, where its fluorescent intensity was measured 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30 min after the addition of methylglyoxal.

Acetone (100 μ M): A 5 mM stock solution of acetone was prepared by adding 7.3 μ L acetone to 20 mL DI water. Into an Eppendorf tube was added 488 μ L of 20 mM HEPES, 2 μ L of 2.5 mM **AF1** (10 μ M), and 10 μ L of 5 mM acetone stock (100 μ M). This solution

was vortexed and transferred to a quartz cuvette, where its fluorescent intensity was measured 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30 min after the addition of acetone.

Sodium Pyruvate (100 μ M): A 5 mM stock solution of sodium pyruvate was prepared by adding 7.5 mg sodium pyruvate to 13.6 mL DI water. Into an Eppendorf tube was added 488 μ L of 20 mM HEPES, 2 μ L of 2.5 mM **AF1** (10 μ M), and 10 μ L of 5 mM sodium pyruvate stock (100 μ M). This solution was vortexed and transferred to a quartz cuvette, where its fluorescent intensity was measured 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30 min after the addition of sodium pyruvate.

α -Ketoglutaric Acid (100 μ M): A 5 mM stock solution of α -ketoglutaric acid was prepared by adding 3.6 mg α -ketoglutaric acid to 3.18 mL DI water. Into an Eppendorf tube was added 488 μ L of 20 mM HEPES, 2 μ L of 2.5 mM **AF1** (10 μ M), and 10 μ L of 5 mM α -ketoglutaric acid stock (100 μ M). This solution was vortexed and transferred to a quartz cuvette, where its fluorescent intensity was measured 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30 min after the addition of α -ketoglutaric acid.

Glutathione (5 mM): A 250 mM stock solution of glutathione was prepared by dissolving 23.3 mg glutathione in 303 μ L DI water. Into an Eppendorf tube was added 488 μ L of 20 mM Hepes, 2 μ L of 2.5 mM **AF1** (10 μ M), and 10 μ L of 250 mM glutathione stock (5 mM). This solution was vortexed and transferred to a quartz cuvette, where its fluorescent intensity was measured 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30 min after the addition of glutathione.

H₂O₂ (100 μ M): A 11.6 mM stock solution of H₂O₂ was prepared by adding 100 μ L 11.63 M H₂O₂ to 900 μ L DI water. Into an Eppendorf tube was added 494 μ L of 20 mM Hepes, 2 μ L of 2.5 mM **AF1** (10 μ M), and 4.3 μ L of 11.6 mM H₂O₂ stock (100 μ M). This solution was vortexed and transferred to a quartz cuvette, where its fluorescent intensity was measured 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30 min after the addition of H₂O₂.

DEANONOate (100 μ M): A 6.03 mM stock solution of DEANONOate was prepared by dissolving DEANONOate in 0.01 M NaOH (verified by UV-Vis, $\epsilon = 6500 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$). Into an Eppendorf tube was added 490 μ L of 20 mM HEPES, 2 μ L of 2.5 mM **AF1** (10 μ M), and 8 μ L of 6.03 mM DEANONOate stock (100 μ M). This solution was vortexed and transferred to a quartz cuvette, where its fluorescent intensity was measured 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30 min after the addition of DEANONOate.

Angeli's Salt (AS) (100 μ M): A 32.7 mM stock solution of AS was prepared by dissolving AS in 0.01 M NaOH (verified by UV-Vis, $\epsilon = 6100 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$). Into an Eppendorf tube was added 497 μ L of 20 mM HEPES, 2 μ L of 2.5 mM **AF1** (10 μ M), and 1.5 μ L of 32.7 mM AS stock (100 μ M). This solution was vortexed and transferred to a quartz cuvette, where its fluorescent intensity was measured 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30 min after the addition of AS.

4. Cell Culture and Fluorescence Microscopy. Adenocarcinoma human alveolar basal epithelial cells (A549) were purchased from ATCC. Complete cell culture media was

prepared by adding 10% (v/v) FBS (HyClone) to F12K (ATCC), and 1% (v/v) pen/strep (10,000 units/ml penicillin and 10,000 µg/ml streptomycin purchased from HyClone) and used for cell culture. Cells were passaged every 3 to 4 days in T75 flasks until healthy enough for experimentation. All experiments were performed in sterile 6-well plates (Falcon), which were seeded with cells 24 hours prior to use. 6-well plates were incubated in 5% CO₂ at 37 °C overnight until roughly 75% confluent. During treatment of the cells for experimentation, F12K was replaced with Fluorobrite™ DMEM (Thermo Fischer Scientific) for clearer fluorescent imaging. A final concentration of 10 µM **AF1** was used in all experiments. Fluorescent imaging was done using an EVOS-fl fluorescent microscope (Advanced Microscopy Group) equipped with a GFP filter cube.

Image Quantification. To reduce human bias, images were analyzed in ImageJ via the method outlined in Figure S7. The raw images were converted to 8-bit images. A threshold was determined using the Huang algorithm¹ and proper selection of cells was confirmed by visual inspection as shown in Figure S7. A selection was created based on this threshold and the average pixel intensity was measured. Typically, three fields per well were measured and at least 3 biological replicates were performed for each set of conditions. All images were analyzed identically. Figure S8–S10 show two additional biological replicates for images in Figures 3–5, respectively. Table S1 shows a summary of all quantified cellular imaging data acquired in this study.

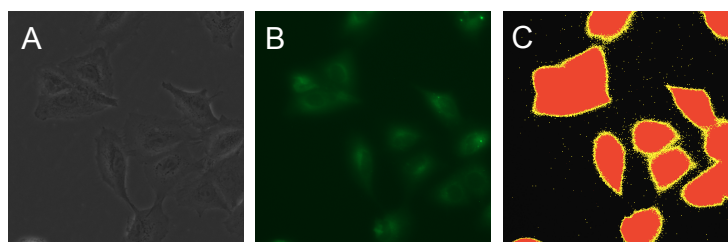
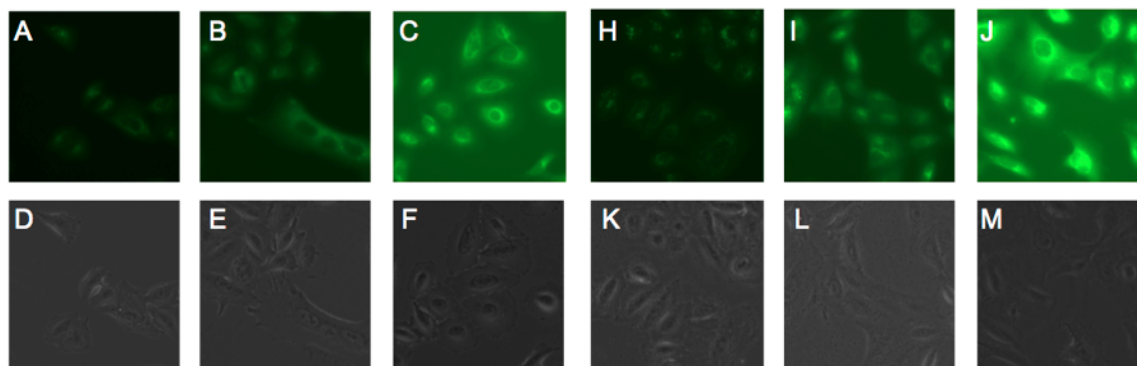


Figure S7. Turn-on of A549 cells upon addition of 10 µM **AF1** and 100 µM acetaldehyde (b) along with corresponding brightfield image (a). Quantification of cells was performed using ImageJ software. Image was opened in ImageJ and converted to an 8-bit image. The threshold was then adjusted via the Huang algorithm with a dark background. Finally, the cells were selected as shown in (c) and the mean pixel intensity was measured.



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Figure S8. Turn-on of A549 cells upon addition of 10 μM **AF1** and (a, h) 0 μM acetaldehyde (b, i) 100 μM acetaldehyde (c, j) 1 mM acetaldehyde and their corresponding brightfield images (d, e, f, k, l, m). A549 cells were first incubated with **AF1** for 30 minutes before the addition of acetaldehyde. After a second 30-minute incubation, they were imaged at 40% light intensity and a 500 ms exposure on an EVOS-fl microscope.

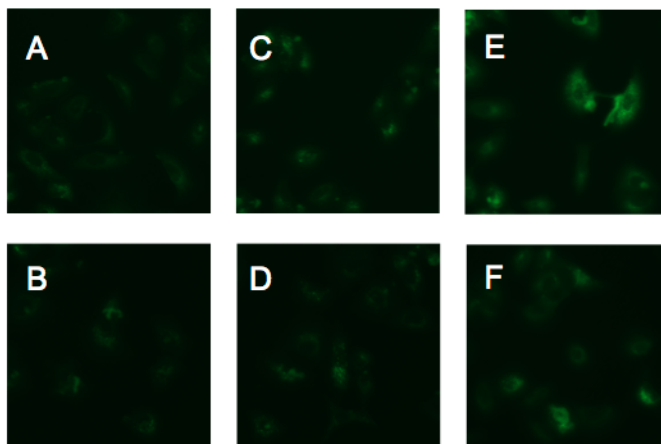


Figure S9. Turn-on of A549 cells upon addition of 10 μM **AF1** and (a, b) 0 mM EtOH (c, d) 25 mM EtOH (e, f) 50 mM EtOH. A549 cells were first incubated with 10 μM **AF1** for 30 min before the addition of EtOH. After a second 120 min incubation, they were imaged at 50% light intensity and a 250 ms exposure on an EVOS fluorescent microscope.

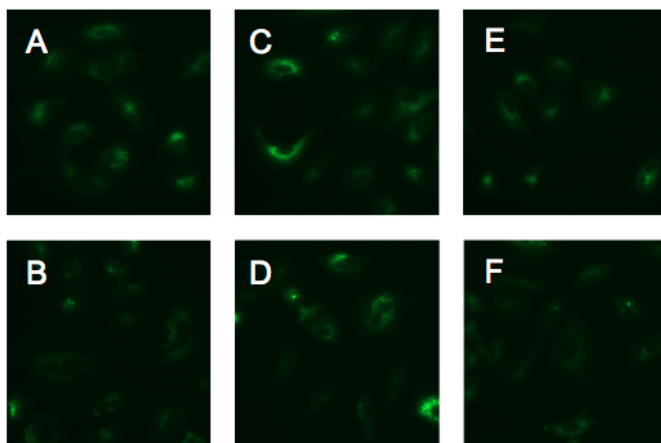


Figure S10. Turn-on of A549 cells upon addition of 10 μM **AF1** and (a, b) 0 mM EtOH (c, d) 50 mM EtOH (e, f) 50 mM EtOH and 1 mM fomepizole. A549 cells were first incubated with 10 μM **AF1** for 30 min before the addition of EtOH and fomepizole. After a second 120 min incubation, they were imaged at 50% light intensity and a 250 ms exposure on an EVOS fluorescent microscope.

Table S1. Mean pixel intensities of all images acquired in this study.

Date	Settings	Plate #	Field #	[Acetaldehyde] / μ M									
				[EtOH] / mM									
				[fomepizole] / mM									
				0	100	1000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
				0	0	0	0	25	50	100	200	50	50
				0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
8/3/16	40% light intensity	1	1	17.199	32.229	41.211							
	500 ms exposure	1	2	18.886	32.95	70.82							
		1	3	15.273	30.707	78.251							
		1	4	13.3	28.942	71.139							
8/17/16	40% light intensity	1	1	10.533	17.702	33.575							
	500 ms exposure	1	2	13.079	18.222	50.329							
		1	3	10.793	18.845	48.023							
8/17/16	40% light intensity	2	1	12.993	21.739	51.007							
	500 ms exposure	2	2	9.221	28.554	58.956							
		2	3	9.395	29.196	58.126							
8/19/16	40% light intensity	1	1	12.313	14.827	41.632							
	500 ms exposure	1	2	9.165	16.426	54.061							
		1	3	12.848	19.785	54.422							
8/19/16	40% light intensity	2	1	11.283	21.763	45.343							
	500 ms exposure	2	2	12.752	16.99	53.013							
		2	3	12.095	19.068	44.986							
9/2/16	50% light intensity	1	1				6.779	12.249	15.154	19.529	9.373		
	250 ms exposure												
9/7/16	50% light intensity	1	1				8.974	10.681	8.65	10.234	85.963		
	250 ms exposure	1	2				8.9	6.964	9.391	10.335	12.881		
		1	3				12.7	8.603	10.008	9.297	9.865		
		1	4				8.842	6.945	10.139	7.074	7.993		
		1	5				6.064	9.691	13.08	9.428	9.991		
		1	6				8.425	8.893	9.568	21.164	10.32		
9/14/16	50% light intensity	1	1				7.442	10.772	10.975	10.557	15.779		
	250 ms exposure	1	2				11.848	12.415	16.766	10.448	13.243		
		1	3				9.771	10.21	12.912	12.288	15.894		
9/8/16	50% light intensity	1	1				7.252		14.87				12.503
	250 ms exposure	1	2				15.417		14.7				9.014
		1	3				10.822		15.641				18.219
		1	4				12.967		14.485				13.916
		1	5				14.558		17.214				10.312
		1	6				13.42		16.734				12.658
9/9/16	50% light intensity	1	1				10.15		6.577				6.38
	250 ms exposure	1	2				8.188		8.963				7.573
		1	3				7.815		6.019				7.15
		1	4				6.548		10.779				6.379
		1	5				7.585		9.726				6.17
		1	6				6.966		7.569				8.212
9/14/16	50% light intensity	1	1				12.166		10.043				9.436
	250 ms exposure	1	2				9.064		11.986				6.74
		1	3				10.355		13.395				7.422
9/30/16	50% light intensity	1	1				10.246		18.283				10.931
	250 ms exposure	1	2				10.171		13.983				9.905
		1	3				12.066		14.079				12.169
		1	4				11.54		28.041				19.88
		1	5				9.788		17.407				10.226
		1	6				16.239		21.8				15.333
10/13/16	50% light intensity	1	1				8.997		18.151				
	250 ms exposure	1	2				11.553		13.346				
		1	3				19.781		10.145				
Average				12.5705	22.9965625	53.430875	10.5036364	9.7423	13.2523235	12.0354	11.7043333	10.5013333	
Standard Deviation				2.73072166	6.278715654	11.97327382	3.05668984	1.91928338	4.53338927	4.5862591	2.85815504	3.86899017	
Standard Error				0.68268042	1.569678913	2.993318455	0.52421798	3.16227766	0.77746985	1.45030247	0.95271835	0.84428287	
p-value vs control					1.08134E-06	4.02565E-14		0.52860295	0.0033104	0.19217671	0.25366138	0.99806207	
p-value vs 50 mM EtOH												0.02493816	
85.963				Value was found to be a significant outlier (P < 0.01) by the Grubbs' test and was removed from the analysis.									