

## 1 **Supplementary Data:**

### 2 **A combined approach for the study of histone deacetylase inhibitors**

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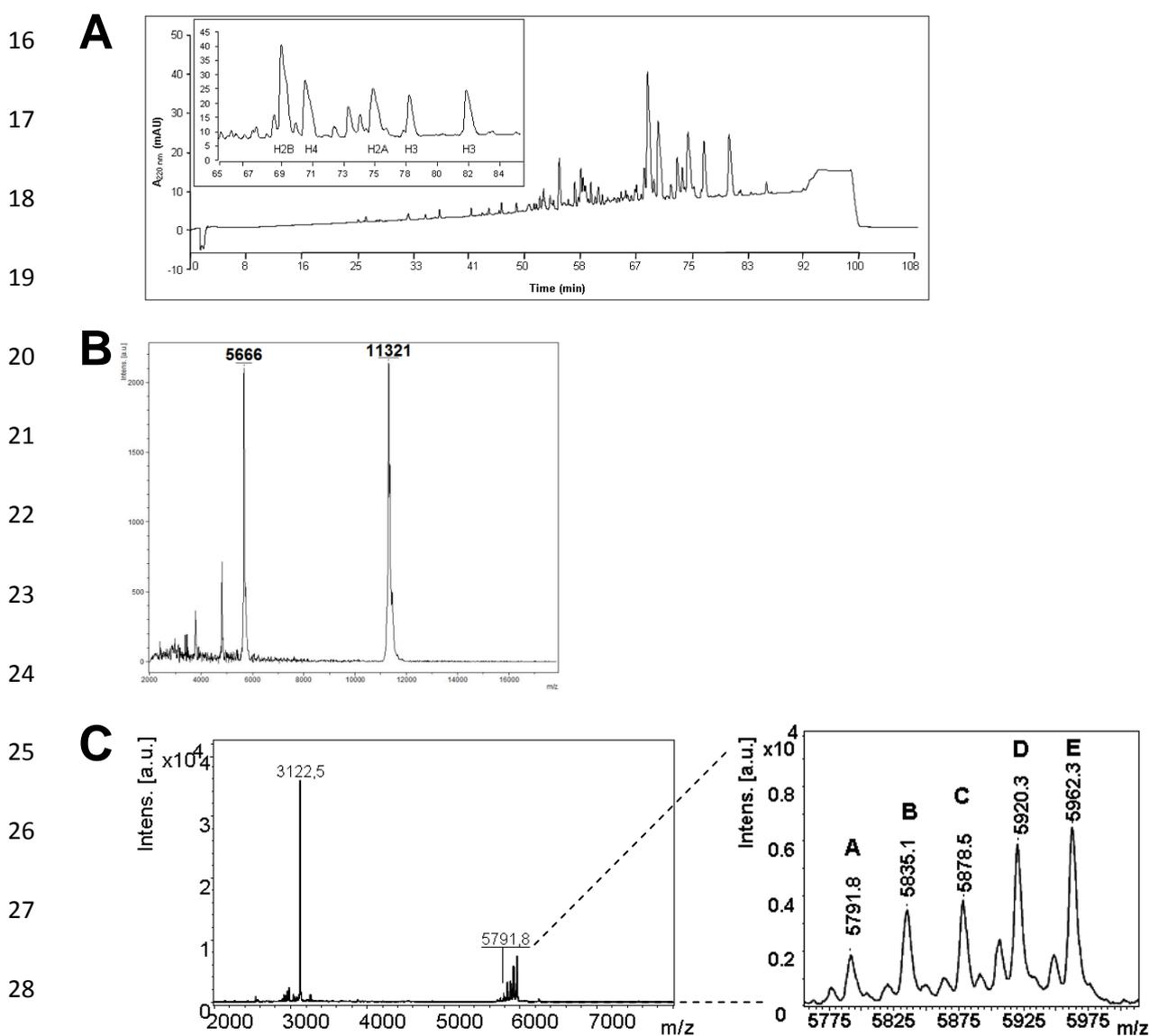
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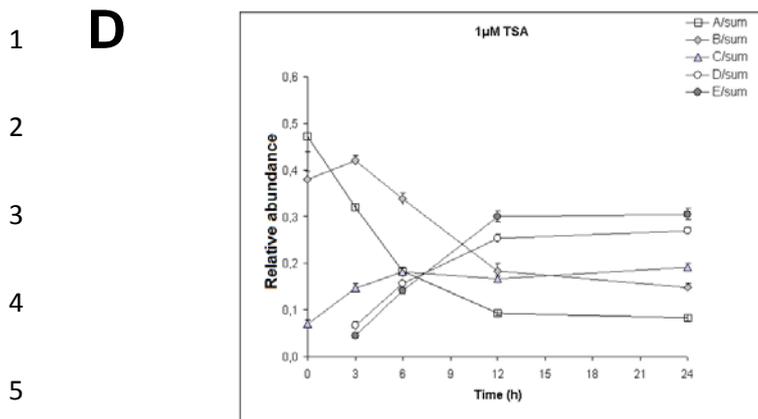
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15 **Fig. S1: MALDI-MS - TSA analysis**



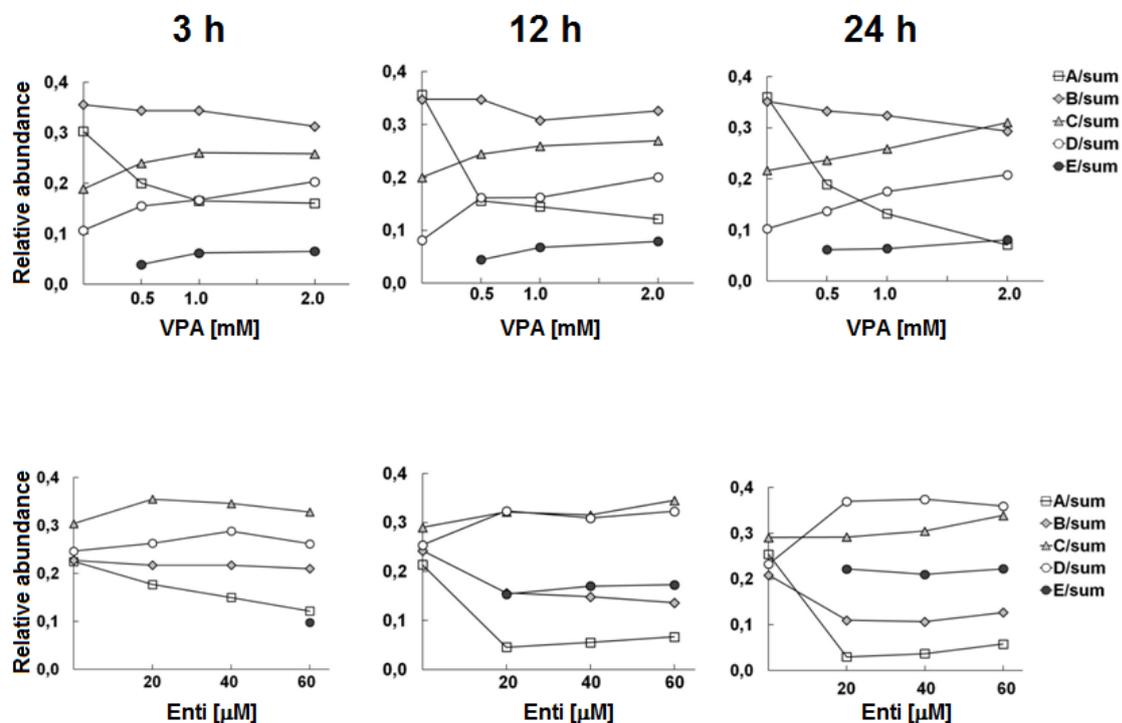


7 **Fig. S1** Analysis of H4 N-terminus after TSA treatment. MEC-1 cells were treated with 1  $\mu$ M  
8 TSA, histone extracts were fractionated by RP-HPLC, histone H4 was digested by Glu-C and  
9 analysed by MALDI-TOF MS. (A) Representative RP-HPLC chromatogram of the core  
10 histones separation. Gradient elution was performed using solvents A [water:ACN:TFA  
11 (100:2:0.1, v/v/v)] and B [water:ACN:TFA (100:2:0.1, v/v/v)]: from A/B 100/0 (v/v) to A/B  
12 20/80 (v/v) over 110 min, at a flow rate of 9  $\mu$ L/min. (B) The purity of each fraction  
13 corresponding to histone H4 was checked by MALDI-TOF MS; representative MALDI-TOF  
14 MS spectrum of intact histone H4. (C) Representative MALDI-TOF MS spectra of histone H4  
15 after Glu-C digestion; signals corresponding to non-, mono-, di-, tri-, and tetraacetylated  
16 variants (peaks A–E) of H4 N-terminus are indicated (peak 3122.5 corresponds to another  
17 peptide of histone H4). (D) Dependence of relative abundance of H4 N-terminal variants on  
18 incubation time with TSA (means and 95 % confidence limits,  $n = 15$ ). The relative  
19 abundance of the ion signal was determined as the ratio of the single ion signal intensity to the  
20 sum of the intensities of all H4 isoforms within the spectrum. The histones were  
21 chromatographed for 110 min at 70  $^{\circ}$ C, with a constant flow of 9  $\mu$ L/min with a multi-step  
22 acetonitrile gradient.

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2 **Fig. S2: Image analysis AUT1D**



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5 **Fig. S2** Dependence of relative abundance of H4 isoforms on incubation time with VPA and  
6 Enti. 25 μg of each protein extract was separated by AUT PAGE (12 % AUT PAGE, 5 M  
7 urea), proteins were visualized with Bio-Safe coomassie stain (Bio-Rad). Image analysis of  
8 histone H4 variants was done with Quantity One 4.6.1 (Bio-Rad). The relative abundance of  
9 the band density was determined as the ratio of the single band density to the sum of the  
10 densities of all H4 variants within the gel.