Supplementary Information

Potential use of synthetic alpha-galactosyl-containing glycotopes of the parasite *Trypanosoma cruzi* as diagnostic antigens for Chagas disease

Roger A. Ashmus^a, Nathaniel S. Schocker^a, Yanira Cordero-Mendoza^b, Alexandre F. Marques^b, Erika Y. Monroy^a, Andrew Pardo^a, Luis Izquierdo^c, Montserrat Gállego^c, Joaquim Gascon^c, Igor C. Almeida^{b,*}, and Katja Michael^{a,*}

Table of Content

Abbreviations pertaining to Figures 2 and 3	page S2
ESI-TOF HR mass spectrum of compound 2 (disulfide form)	page S3
Synthesis of compound 3 and characterization	page S4
¹³ C NMR spectrum of compound 3	page S5
ESI-TOF HR mass spectrum of compound 3	page S6
ESI-TOF HR mass spectrum of compound 3 (disulfide form)	page S7
ESI-TOF HR mass spectrum of compound 4 (disulfide form)	page S8
ESI-TOF HR mass spectrum of compound 5 (disulfide form)	page S9
ESI-TOF HR mass spectrum of compound 6 (disulfide form)	page S10
ESI-TOF HR mass spectrum of compound 7 (disulfide form)	page S11
ESI-TOF HR mass spectrum of compound 8 (disulfide form)	page S12
ESI-TOF HR mass spectrum of compound 9 (disulfide form)	page S13
ESI-TOF HR mass spectrum of compound 17	page S14
ESI-TOF HR mass spectrum of compound 21	page S15
Synthesis of compound 23 and characterization	page S16
¹ H NMR spectrum of compound 23	page S17
¹³ C NMR spectrum of compound 23	page S18
ESI-TOF HR mass spectrum of compound 23	page S19
Synthesis of compound 24 and characterization	page S20
¹ H NMR spectrum of compound 24	page S21
¹³ C NMR spectrum of compound 24	page S22
ESI-TOF HR mass spectrum of compound 24	page S23
Synthesis of compound 25 and characterization	page S24
¹ H NMR spectrum of compound 25	page S25
¹³ C NMR spectrum of compound 25	page S26
ESI-TOF HR mass spectrum of compound 25	page S27
Synthesis of compound 26 and characterization	page S28
¹ H NMR spectrum of compound 26	page S29
¹³ C NMR spectrum of compound 26	page S30
ESI-TOF HR mass spectrum of compound 26	page S31
Procedure for the conjugation of thiols to BSA	page S32
CL-ELISA protocol	page S34

Abbreviations pertaining to Figures 2 and 3

ChSP	sera from chronic Chagasic patients, pooled
CL-ELISA	chemiluminescent-enzyme linked immunosorbent assay
NGP	neoglycoprotein
NHSP	normal human sera from healthy individuals, pooled
-	

RLU relative luminescence units

ESI-TOF HR mass spectrum of compound 2 (disulfide form)



Synthesis of 3-mercaptopropyl α -D-galactosyl-(1 \rightarrow 3)- β -D-galactoside (3)



To a solution of **26** (136 mg, 0.176 mmol) in dry MeOH (3 mL), 1M NaOMe (1 mL) was added and the mixture was stirred under argon at room temp. for 45 min. Amberlite IRC-748 ion-exchange resin was added to neutralize NaOMe. Amberlite was filtered off and rinsed with MeOH. The resulting solution was then concentrated, dissolved in water (10 mL), and washed with CHCl₃ (3 × 5 mL). The aqueous layer was collected and lyophilized to afford **3** (72 mg, 99%) as an off-white solid. $R_f 0.47$ (5:1 iPrOH/H₂O w/ 3 drops AcOH); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, MeOD/D₂O) 5.03 (d, 1H, $J_{H-1'/H-2'} = 3.44$ Hz, H-1'); 4.28 (d, 1H, $J_{H-1/H-2} = 7.56$ Hz, H-1); 4.11 (dd, 1H); 3.89-3.49 (m, 11H); 2.70 (t, 2H, OCH₂CH₂CH₂SH, OCH₂CH₂SH); 1.90 (m, 2H, OCH₂CH₂CH₂SH, OCH₂CH₂CH₂SH); ¹³C NMR (151 MHz; D₂O): δ 103.3, 95.9, 78.0, 75.5, 71.5, 70.0, 69.9. 69.8, 65.5, 61.6, 33.5, 20.9; ESI-TOF HR MS [C₃₀H₅₄NaO₂₂S₂]⁺ calc. *m/z* = 853.2446, found 853.2406; ESI-TOF HR MS [C₁₅H₂₈NaO₁₁S]⁺ calc. *m/z* = 439.1250, found 439.1006; ESI-TOF HR MS [C₁₅H₂₈KO₁₁S]⁺ calc. *m/z* = 455.0989, found 455.0733.

A small sample of the disulfide form of compound **3** was reduced with Pierce* Immobilized TCEP Disulfide Reducing Gel. The supernatant was passed through a Sep-Pak C18 cartridge, and the major fraction was lyophilized and dissolved in degassed D_2O for ¹³C NMR analysis (p. S5) and mass spectrometric analysis (p. S6)



This ¹³C NMR spectrum was measured under argon in degassed D_2O with a small quantity of CH_3CN for calibration purposes (119.68 and 1.47 ppm). The spectrum shows aromatic signals at 129.4 and 128.9 ppm, resulting from residual benzoic acid or benzoate, which could not be completely removed during the aqueous workup of the final deprotection step in the synthesis of compound **3**. Mass spectrometry of compound **3** (p. S6) confirms that all benzoate esters were successfully cleaved from the precursor **26**.



ESI-TOF HR MS $[C_{15}H_{28}NaO_{11}S]^+$ calc. m/z = 439.1250, found 439.1006 ESI-TOF HR MS $[C_{15}H_{28}KO_{11}S]^+$ calc. m/z = 455.0989, found 455.0733 Note that a) compound **3** was dissolved in D₂O, followed by the addition of H₂O to accomplish deuterium to hydrogen exchange; b) some oxidation to the disulfide occurred.

ESI-TOF HR mass spectrum of compound 3 (disulfide form)



ESI-TOF HR MS $[C_{30}H_{54}NaO_{22}S_2]^+$ calc. m/z = 853.2446, found 853.2406

ESI-TOF HR mass spectrum of compound 4 (disulfide form)



ESI-TOF HR MS
$$[C_{30}H_{54}NaO_{22}S_2]^+$$
 calc. $m/z = 853.2446$, found 853.2265





ESI-TOF HR MS $[C_{30}H_{54}NaO_{22}S_2]^+$ calc. m/z = 853.2446, found 853.2677



ESI-TOF HR MS $[C_{42}H_{74}NaO_{32}S_2]^+$ calc. m/z = 1177.3502, found 1177.3176



ESI-TOF HR MS $[C_{42}H_{74}NaO_{32}S_2]^+$ calc. m/z = 1177.3502, found 1177.3945



ESI-TOF HR MS $[C_{18}H_{34}NaO_{12}S_2]^+$ calc. m/z = 529.1389, found 529.1327



S13







ESI-TOF HR MS $[C_{19}H_{24}NaO_7]^+$ calc. m/z = 387.1420, found 387.1062



ESI-TOF HR MS $[C_{57}H_{50}NaO_{17}]^+$ calc. m/z = 1029.2946, found 1029.2847 ESI-TOF HR MS $[C_{57}H_{54}NO_{17}]^+$ (ammonium adduct) calc. m/z = 1024.3392, found 1024.3300

Synthesis of allyl 2,3-di-O-benzoyl-4,6-O-di-tert-butylsilyl- α -D-galactosyl-(1 \rightarrow 3)-2-O-benzoyl-4,6-O-



benzylidene- β -D-galactoside (23)

To a solution of acceptor 18 (196 mg, 0.475 mmol), donor 22 (408 mg, 0.606 mmol), and freshly activated crushed 4 Å MS in dry DCM (11 mL) cooled to 0 °C, TMS-OTf (6 μL) was added and the mixture was stirred under argon at 0 °C for 1.25 h. After disappearance of starting material **18**, TEA (100 μ L, 0.717 mmol) was added, and the mixture was stirred at room temp. for 20 min. CHCl₃ (60 mL) was added and molecular sieves were filtered off. The organic layer was washed with water (4×25 mL), brine solution (1×25 mL), dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography (2:1 Hex/EtOAc) to afford 23 (404 mg, 92%) as a white solid. R_f 0.40 (1:1 EtOAc/Hex); [α]_D +140.14 (c, 1.0, Acetone); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) 8.07 (d, 2H, Ar); 7.93 (d, 2H, Ar); 7.78 (d, 2H, Ar); 7.59 (t, 1H, Ar); 7.49 (m, 3H, Ar); 7.33 (t, 2H, Ar); 7.28 (t, 1H, Ar); 7.20 (t, 3H, Ar); 7.13 (t, 2H, Ar); 6.98 (t, 2H, Ar); 5.72 (m, 1H, OCH₂CH=CH₂); 5.69 (dd, 1H, J_{H-1/H-2} = 7.56 Hz, J_{H-2/H-3} = 10.31 Hz, H-2); 5.63 (d, 1H, $J_{H-1'/H-2'}$ = 4.12 Hz, H-1'); 5.51 (dd, 1H, $J_{H-1'/H-2'}$ = 4.12 Hz, $J_{H-2'/H-3'}$ = 10.31 Hz, H-2'); 5.41 (dd, 1H, $J_{H-1'/H-2'}$ $_{2'/H-3'}$ = 10.31 Hz, $J_{H-3'/H-4'}$ = 2.75 Hz, H-3'); 5.18 (dd, 1H, J = 17.18 Hz, OCH₂CH=CH₂); 5.08 (s, 1H, PhCHO₂); 5.06 (dd, 1H, J = 10.31 Hz, OCH₂CH=CH₂); 4.66 (d, 1H, J_{H-1/H-2} = 7.56 Hz, H-1); 4.55 (d, 1H, J_{H-3'/H-4'} = 2.75 Hz, H-4'); 4.32 (m, 1H, OCH₂CH=CH₂); 4.25 (m, 1H, H-6_a); 4.14 (d, 1H, J_{H-3/H-4} = 3.44 Hz, H-4); 4.09 (m, 1H, OCH₂CH=CH₂); 4.04 (dd, 1H, J_{H-2/H-3} = 10.31 Hz, J_{H-3/H-4} = 3.44 Hz, H-3); 3.95 (dd, 1H, J = 12.37 Hz, H-6_b); 3.79 (dd, 1H, J = 13.06 Hz, H-6'_a); 3.68 (s, 1H, H-5'); 3.54 (dd, 1H, J = 13.06 Hz, H-6'_b); 3.41 (s, 1H, H-5); 1.02 (s, 9H, tBu); 0.82 (s, 9H, tBu); ¹³C NMR (151 MHz; CDCl₃): δ 171.2, 166.8, 165.8, 165.1, 137.3, 133.9, 133.38, 133.26, 133.0, 130.0, 129.74, 129.69, 129.64, 128.9, 128.68, 128.52, 128.36, 128.32, 127.9, 126.1, 117.4, 100.4, 100.0, 95.4, 72.7, 70.78, 70.77, 70.1, 69.27, 69.15, 68.8, 67.2, 66.60, 66.57, 60.5, 27.5, 27.2, 23.2, 21.1, 20.7, 14.3.





¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **23**





ESI-TOF HR MS $[C_{51}H_{62}NO_{14}Si]^+$ (ammonium adduct) calc. *m*/*z* = 940.3940, found 940.4048

Synthesis of allyl 2,3-di-O-benzoyl- α -D-galactosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -2-O-benzoyl-4,6-O-benzylidene- β -D-

galactoside (24)



To a solution of 23 (394 mg, 0.427 mmol) in dry THF (6 mL) cooled to 0 $^{\circ}$ C, HF-pyr (214 μ L, 8.3537 mmol, volume accounted for HF and by percentage of HF in HF-pyr solution) was added and the mixture was stirred under argon to room temp. for 1 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C and saturated NaHCO₃ solution was added and stirred for 15 min. The reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (60 mL). The organic layer was washed with water $(4 \times 30 \text{ mL})$. The aqueous layer was re-extracted with EtOAc (2×20 mL). The organic layers were combined, washed with brine solution (1×25 mL), dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography (10:1 CHCl₃/MeOH) to afford **24** (300 mg, 90%) as a white solid. $R_f 0.30$ (9:1 CHCl₃/MeOH); $[\alpha]_D$ +180.18 (c, 1.0, MeOH); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₃OD) 8.08 (d, 2H, Ar); 7.79 (d, 2H, Ar); 7.74 (d, 2H, Ar); 7.65 (t, 1H, Ar); 7.51 (m, 4H, Ar); 7.37 (t, 2H, Ar); 7.24 (t, 2H, Ar); 7.21 (t, 3H, Ar); 6.91 (t, 2H, Ar); 5.71 (m, 1H, OCH₂CH=CH₂); 5.47 (m, 3H, H-1', H-2', H-3'); 5.33 (dd, 1H, J_{H-1/H-2} = 8.25 Hz, J_{H-2/H-3} = 10.31 Hz, H-2); 5.29 (d, 1H, J = 5.50 Hz, 4'-OH); 5.14-5.08 (m, 2H, PhCHO₂, OCH₂CH=CH₂); 4.99 (dd, 1H, J = 10.31 Hz, OCH₂CH=CH₂); 4.72 (d, 1H, J_{H-1/H-2} = 8.25 Hz, H-1); 4.59 (dd, 1H, J = 6.19 Hz, 6'-OH); 4.50 (d, 1H, J_{H-3/H-4} = 3.44 Hz, H-4); 4.24-4.20 (m, 2H, H-3, OCH₂CH=CH₂); 4.08-4.00 (m, 3H, H-6_{a,b}, OCH₂CH=CH₂); 3.82 (dd, 1H, $J_{\text{H-5'/H-6'a}} = 6.19 \text{ Hz}, J_{\text{H-5'/H-6'b}} = 6.87 \text{ Hz}, \text{H-5'}; 3.79 (m, 1H, H-4'); 3.67 (s, 1H, H-5); 3.42 (m, 2H, H-6'_{a.b}); {}^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (151 MHz; CD₃OD): δ 171.2, 166.8, 165.8, 165.1, 137.3, 133.9, 133.4, 133.3, 133.0, 130.0, 129.7, 129.7, 129.6, 128.9, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 127.9, 126.1, 117.4, 100.4, 100.0, 95.4, 72.7, 70.8 (2), 70.1, 69.3, 69.2, 68.8, 67.2, 66.6 (2), 60.5, 27.5, 27.2, 23.2, 21.1, 20.7, 14.3.



¹H NMR spectrum of compound **24**



Electronic Supplementary Material (ESI) for Organic & Biomolecular Chemistry This journal is The Royal Society of Chemistry 2013





ESI-TOF HR MS $[C_{43}H_{46}NO_{14}]^+$ (ammonium adduct) calc. m/z = 800.2918, found 800.2240 ESI-TOF HR MS $[C_{43}H_{42}NaO_{14}]^+$ calc. m/z = 805.2472, found 805.1754 ESI-TOF HR MS $[C_{43}H_{42}KO_{14}]^+$ calc. m/z = 821.2212, found 821.1499



Synthesis of allyl 2,3-di-O-benzoyl- α -D-galactosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -2-O-benzoyl- β -D-galactoside (25)

To **24** (248 mg, 0.317 mmol) was added AcOH (16 mL) and water (4 mL). The mixture was stirred at 80 $^{\circ}$ C for 5 h. The mixture was then allowed to cool to room temp. and was then co-evaporated with EtOH. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography (20:1 \rightarrow 15:1 CHCl₃/MeOH) to afford **25** (187 mg, 85%) as clear oil. Rf 0.45 (9:1 CHCl₃/MeOH); [α]_D +100.10 (*c*, 1.0, MeOH); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₃OD) 8.15 (d, 2H, Ar); 7.96 (d, 2H, Ar); 7.90 (d, 2H, Ar); 7.61 (t, 1H, Ar); 7.52-7.46 (m, 4H, Ar); 7.39-7.31 (m, 4H, Ar); 5.81-5.74 (m, 1H, OCH₂CH=CH₂); 5.64 (dd, 1H, *J*_{H-1/H-2}' = 3.44 Hz, *J*_{H-2/H-3}' = 11.00 Hz, H-2'); 5.55 (dd, 1H, *J*_{H-1/H-2} = 7.56 Hz, *J*_{H-2/H-3} = 9.62 Hz, H-2); 5.45 (d, 1H, *J*_{H-1/H-2}' = 3.44 Hz, H-1'); 5.41 (dd, 1H, *J*_{H-2/H-3}' = 11.00 Hz, *J*_{H-3/H-4}' = 2.75 Hz, H-3'); 5.18 (dd, 1H, *J* = 17.18 Hz, OCH₂CH=CH₂); 4.13-4.08 (m, 3H, H-3, H-4, OCH₂CH=CH₂); 3.98 (dd, 1H, *J*_{H-5/H-6'a} = 5.50 Hz, *J*_{H-5'/H-6'b} = 6.19 Hz, H-5'); 3.94 (d, 1H, *J*_{H-3'/H-4'} = 2.06 Hz, H-4'); 3.74 (m, 1H, H-6_a); 3.66 (m, 1H, H-6_b); 3.6-3.54 (m, 2H, H-5, H-6'_a); 3.41 (m, 1H, H-6'_b); ¹³C NMR (151 MHz; CD₃OD): δ 171.2, 166.8, 165.8, 165.1, 137.3, 133.9, 133.4, 133.3, 133.0, 130.0, 129.7, 129.7, 129.6, 128.9, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 127.9, 126.1, 117.4, 100.4, 100.0, 95.4, 72.7, 70.8 (2), 70.1, 69.3, 69.2, 68.8, 67.2, 66.6 (2), 60.5, 27.5, 27.2, 23.2, 21.1, 20.7, 14.3.

Electronic Supplementary Material (ESI) for Organic & Biomolecular Chemistry This journal is The Royal Society of Chemistry 2013



¹H NMR spectrum of compound **25**





¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **25**







Synthesis of 3-(acetylthio)propyl 2,3-di-O-benzoyl- α -D-galactosyl-(1 \rightarrow 6)-2-O-benzoyl- β -D-galactoside

(26)



To a solution of **25** (157 mg, 0.226 mmol) and AIBN (19 mg, 0.113 mmol) in dry THF (3 mL), AcSH (129 μ L, 1.808 mmol) was added and the mixture was irradiated (350 nm) and stirred under argon for 10 h. The reaction mixture was co-evaporated with toluene and concentrated. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography (20:1 \rightarrow 15:1 CHCl₃/MeOH) to afford **26** (157 mg, 90%) as a clear oil. R_f 0.30 (15:1 CHCl₃/MeOH); [α]_D +190.19 (*c*, 1.0, MeOH); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, MeOD) 8.16 (d, 2H, Ar); 7.96 (d, 2H, Ar); 7.90 (d, 2H, Ar); 7.61 (t, 1H, Ar); 7.52-7.46 (m, 4H, Ar); 7.39-7.31 (m, 4H, Ar); 5.64 (dd, 1H, J_{H-1/H-2} = 3.44 Hz, J_{H-2/H-3} = 10.31 Hz, H-2'); 5.52 (dd, 1H, J_{H-1/H-2} = 8.25 Hz, J_{H-2/H-3} = 9.62 Hz, H-2); 5.45 (d, 1H, J_{H-1/H-2} = 3.44 Hz, H-1'); 5.42 (dd, 1H, J_{H-2/H-3'} = 10.31 Hz, J_{H-3'/H-4'} = 3.44 Hz, H-3'); 4.61 (d, 1H, J_{H-1/H-2} = 8.25 Hz, H-1); 4.13-4.09 (m, 2H, H-3, H-4); 3.99 (dd, 1H, J_{H-5'/H-6'a} = 5.50 Hz, J_{H-5'/H-6'b} = 6.19 Hz, H-5'); 3.95 (d, 1H, J_{H-3'/H-4'} = 2.06 Hz, H-4'); 3.91 (m, 1H, OCH₂CH₂CH₂CAc); 3.73 (m, 1H, H-6_a); 3.66 (m, 1H, H-6_b); 3.58-3.53 (m, 3H, H-5, H-6'_a, OCH₂CH₂CH₂SAc); 3.42 (m, 1H, H-6'_b); 2.80-2.70 (m, 2H, OCH₂CH₂CH₂SAc, OCH₂CH₂CA₂SAc); ¹³C NMR (151 MHz; CD₃OD): δ 171.2, 166.8, 165.8, 165.1, 137.3, 133.9, 133.4, 133.3, 133.0, 130.0, 129.7 (2), 129.6, 128.9, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 127.9, 126.1, 117.4, 100.4, 100.0, 95.4, 72.7, 70.8 (2), 70.1, 69.3, 69.2, 68.8, 67.2, 66.6, 66.6, 60.5, 27.5, 27.2, 23.2, 21.1, 20.7, 14.3.





¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **26**





ESI-TOF HR MS [$C_{38}H_{46}NO_{15}S$] (ammonium adduct) calc. *m/z* = 788.2588, four 788.2260 ESI-TOF HR MS [$C_{38}H_{42}NaO_{15}S$]⁺ calc. *m/z* = 793.2142, found 793.1853

Protocol for the conjugation of thiols to BSA

For the conjugation of mercaptopropyl glycosides to maleimide-activated BSA a conjugation kit "Imject Maleimide Activated Carrier Protein Spin Kit" from Thermo Scientific, product #77667, was used, and the protocol provided by the manufacturer was followed.

Tris(2-carboxyethyl)phosphine (TCEP, 0.8 mg, 2.79 µmol) was dissolved in 250 µL of Imject Maleimide Conjugation Buffer (83 mM sodium phosphate buffer, 0.1 M EDTA, 0.9 M sodium chloride, 0.02% sodium azide, pH 7.2) and added to microcentrifuge tubes containing sugar-disulfide (2.40 µmol), and stirred. After 1 hour, 10 µL was removed to determine the initial thiol concentration. Vials of maleimide-activated BSA (2 mg, 15-25 moles of maleimide/mole of BSA) were reconstituted by adding 200 µL of ultrapure water. The remaining 240 µL of sugar-conjugation buffer solution was added to each vial. Vials were flushed with argon, sealed with parafilm, and mixed for 3 hours on a shaker. Reaction Buffer was prepared (0.1 M sodium phosphate, pH 8.0, containing 1 mM EDTA) and a solution of Ellman's Reagent [5,5'-dithiobis-(2-nitrobenzoic acid) = DTNB] (4 mg DTNB in 1mL of Reaction Buffer). After 3 hours, 18.3 µL was removed from each conjugation solution to determine the thiol concentration after the conjugation. Each sample to be tested was diluted to 250 µL with Reaction Buffer and added to a test tube containing 50 µL of Ellman's Reagent Solution and 2.5 mL of Reaction Buffer, and mixed at room temperature for 15 minutes. With a spectrophotometer set to 412 nm, the absorbance of each sample was measured. Using the molar extinction coefficient of 2-nitro-5-thiobenzoic acid (TNB, ε = 14,150 M⁻ ¹cm⁻¹), the concentration of sulfhydryls in each sample and the amount of sugar loaded (average: 2.0µmol) was determined.

	Absorbance	Concentration of thiol (M)	Absorbance	Concentration of thiol (M)	Amt. conjugated thiol (moles)
1-BSA	0.8693	4.30E-06	0.5189	2.47E-06	1.83E-06
2-BSA	0.8758	4.33E-06	0.5201	2.47E-06	1.86E-06
3-BSA	0.885	4.38E-06	0.5481	2.61E-06	1.77E-06
4-BSA	0.743	3.68E-06	0.3604	1.71E-06	1.96E-06
5-BSA	0.9797	4.85E-06	0.4673	2.22E-06	2.62E-06
6-BSA	0.954	4.72E-06	0.3802	1.81E-06	2.91E-06
7-BSA	0.8624	4.27E-06	0.4701	2.24E-06	2.03E-06
8-BSA	0.9886	4.89E-06	0.5986	2.85E-06	2.04E-06
9-BSA	0.8123	4.02E-06	0.4122	1.96E-06	2.06E-06
Cys-BSA	1.6741	8.28E-06	1.2943	6.16E-06	2.12E-06

Before conjugation

After conjugation

Conjugates were then diluted to 1mL and added to Amicon Ultra 3K Centrifugal Filter Devices for desalting. Filters were centrifuged for 20 minutes at 4000xg, then 1mL of ultrapure water was added to the filter, and centrifuging was continied for 20 minutes at

4000xg. The filtrate tube was then removed, filters were inverted and centrifuged at 1000xg for 2 minutes to collect in the concentrate tube. The collected material was lyophilized, and stock solutions of the protein were prepared. The protein concentrations were determined using a Pierce BCA (bicinchoninic acid) Protein Assay Reagent kit using a spectrophotometer at a detection wave length of 562nm.

CL-ELISA protocol (pertaining to Figure 2)

NGPs (125 ng each), diluted in 0.1 M carbonate-bicarbonate buffer, pH 9.6, were immobilized overnight at 4°C on a 96-well Maxisorp microplate (NUNC, Thermo Fisher Scientific). The microplate was then washed three times with 200 μ L phosphate-saline buffer (PBS, pH 7.4) containing 0.05% Tween 20 (PBS-T). Free binding sites were blocked by incubation with 5% serum bovine albumin (BSA) in PBS. 50 μ L of ChSP or NHSP (diluted at 1/100 or 1/300 in 5% BSA-PBS) were added to each well. Finally, the microplate was incubated with biotinylated antihuman IgG (GE Healthcare) (1/5000 dilution, 50 μ L/well) followed by streptavidin-horseradish peroxidase (HRP) (Thermo Fisher Scientific) (1/5000 dilution, 50 μ L/well). All incubations were carried out at 37°C for 1h. Between incubation steps the microplate was washed 3x with 200 μ L PBS-T. After addition of 50 μ L SuperSignal ELISA Pico Chemiluminescent Substrate (Thermo Fisher Scientific), diluted 1/8 in 0.1 M carbonate-bicarbonate buffer, pH 9.6, antibody-antigen complexes were immediately detected using a Luminoskan luminometer (Labsystems, Thermo). The assay readouts were expressed as relative luminescence units (RLU).