

# HOMOALLYLAMINES AS FORMALDEHYDE-RESPONSIVE TRIGGERS WITH IMAGING APPLICATIONS

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## PATENT STATUS

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United States Of America	Issued Patent	10,730,892	08/04/2020	2016-024

## BRIEF DESCRIPTION

The invention concerns the use of homoallylamines which undergo a 2-aza-Cope reaction upon condensation with formaldehyde (FA) which can be coupled to a fluorogenic, colorimetric, or bioluminescent response. Traditional methods for biological FA detection rely on sample destruction and/or extensive processing, resulting in a loss of spatiotemporal information. The invention, as showcased by the tw! chemical probes FAP-1 and FP-1, enables detection of biological FA with high selectivity in aqueous buffer and in living samples in a non-invasive manner. The homoallylamine trigger can be generalized to cage a large variety of different fluorophores, chromophores, and bioluminescent molecules (e.g. luciferin).

## SUGGESTED USES

Measuring FA in aqueous buffer (e.g. as a proxy for demethylase enzyme activity, potentially in a high-throughput screen format), for fluorescent imaging of FA in cell culture, and for bioluminescent imaging of FA in live animals.

## ADVANTAGES

## RELATED MATERIALS

## ADDITIONAL TECHNOLOGIES BY THESE INVENTORS

- ▶ Thiophosphorodichloridate Reagents For Chemoselective Histidine Bioconjugation
- ▶ Puromycin Activity-Based Sensing Probes For Molecular Imaging And Histochemistry
- ▶ Activity-Based Ratiometric FRET Probe Detects the Changes in Labile Copper Pools
- ▶ Diagnostic Colorimetric Assay
- ▶ Tandem Activity-Based Sensing and Labeling Strategy for Reactive Oxygen Species Imaging
- ▶ Fluorescent Probe for Selective Imaging of Carbon Monoxide in Living Cells Using Palladium-Mediated Carbonylation

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## OTHER INFORMATION

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### CATEGORIZED AS

- » **Imaging**
- » Medical
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### RELATED CASES

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