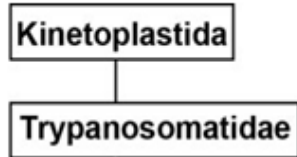


Biochemical characterization & subcellular localization of the Tyrosine and Phosphoinositide DSP, ***LdTyrPIP_22***, a potential drug target from *Leishmania donovani*

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The parasite *Leishmania* spp

Developmental forms and hosts

sandfly-
insect vector

Lutzomyia

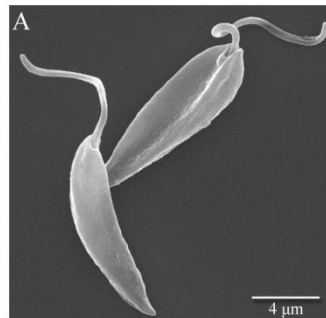


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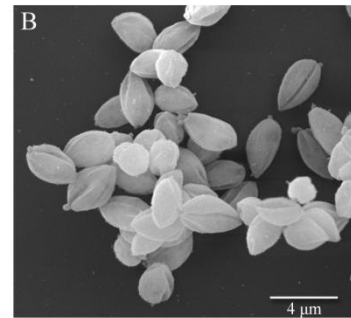


2 developmental forms

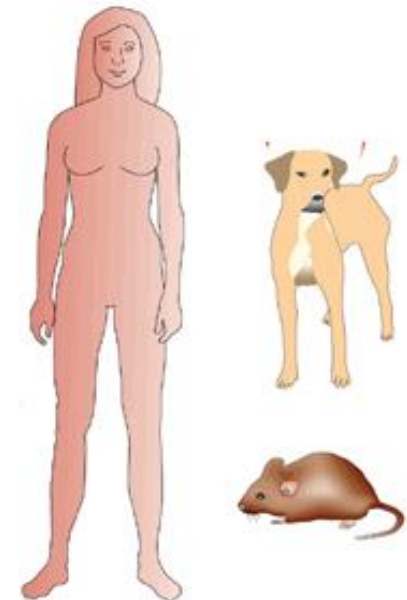
promastigote



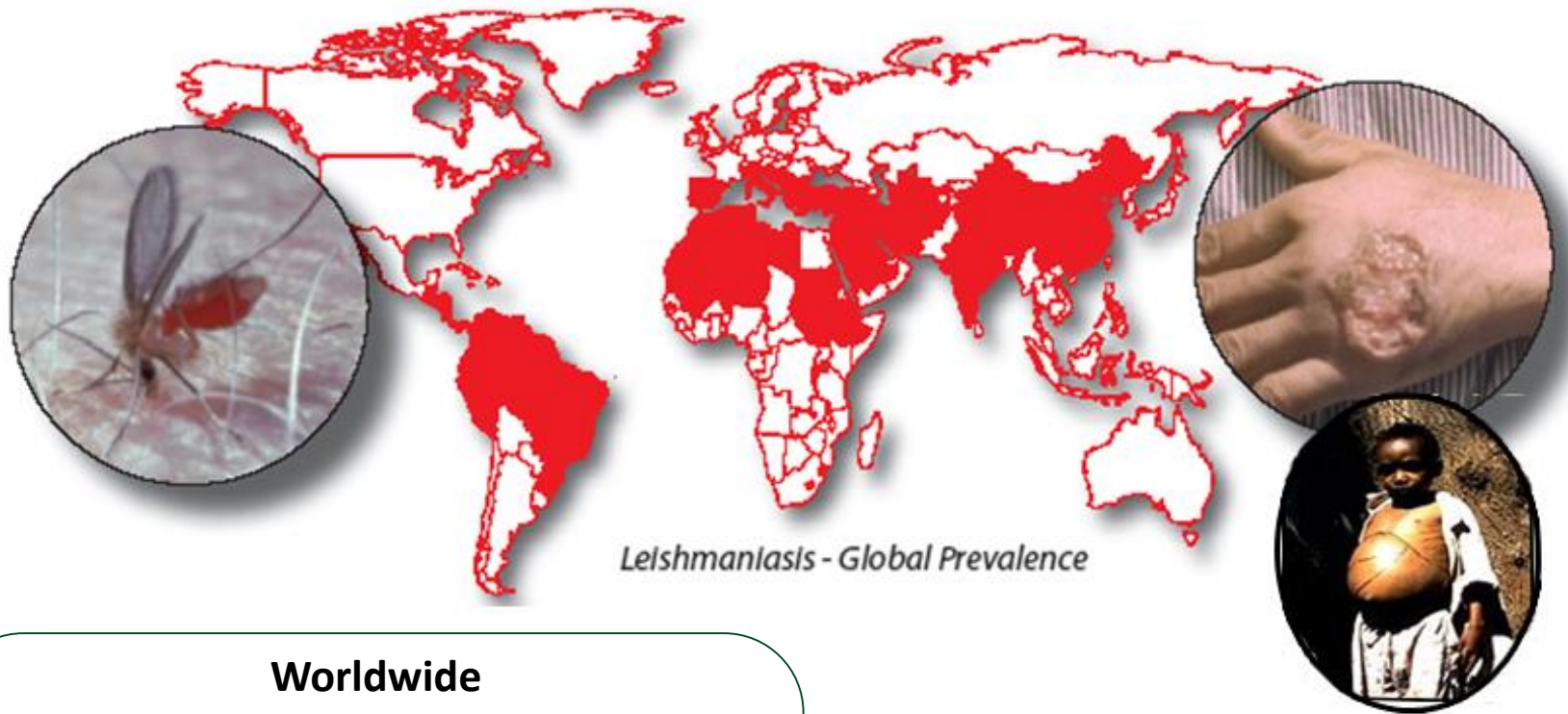
amastigote



mammalian-
host



Leishmaniases: a neglected disease



Worldwide

- 98 endemic countries
- 12.000.000 infected people
- 1.300.000 new cases per year
- 20-30.000 deaths per year

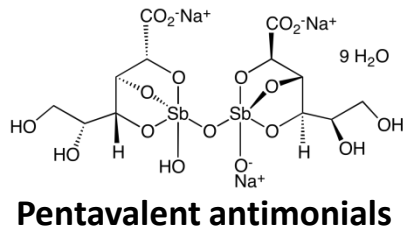
Mediterranean region

- **700** new cases per year

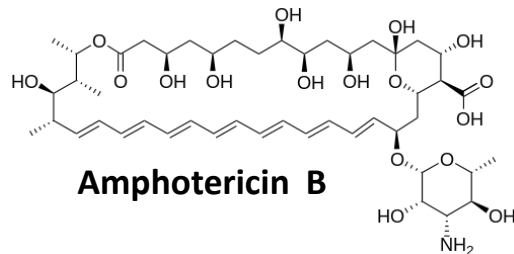
Clinical forms

- Visceral Leishmaniasis (VL)
- Cutaneous Leishmaniasis (CL)
- Mucocutaneous Leishmaniasis (MCL)

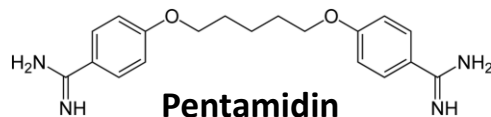
Therapeutic approaches for Leishmaniases



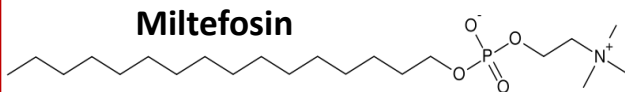
cardiotoxicity
Long term iv administration



toxicity

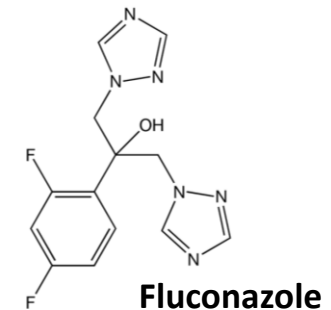
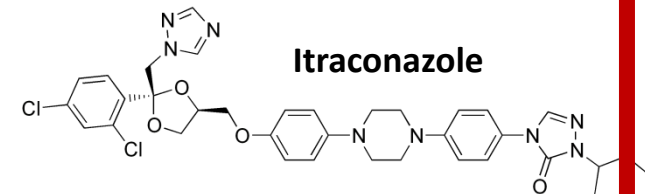
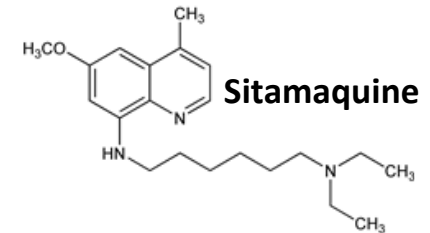


Cardiovascular
symptoms

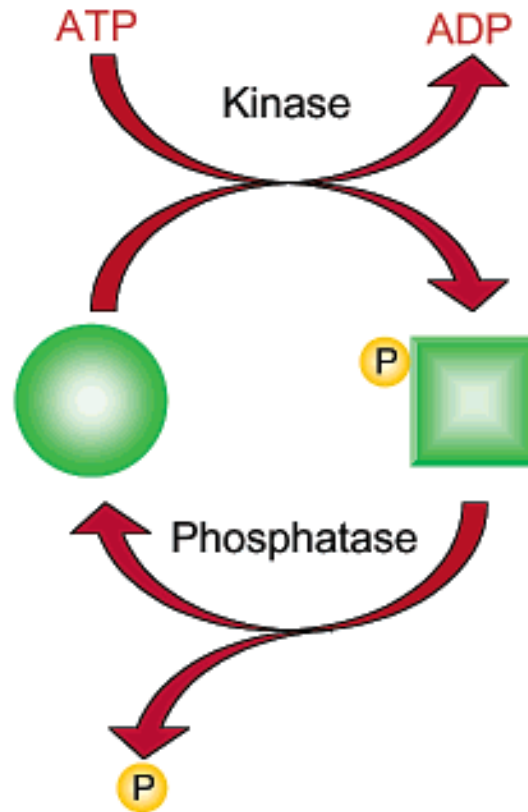
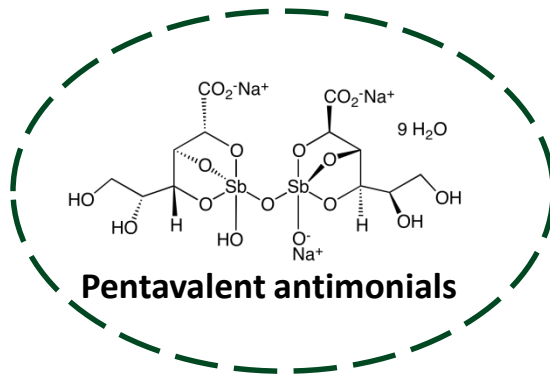


- side effects
- high cost
- hospital treatment
- resistant strains

**Necessity for
development new, non-
toxic drugs and vaccines**



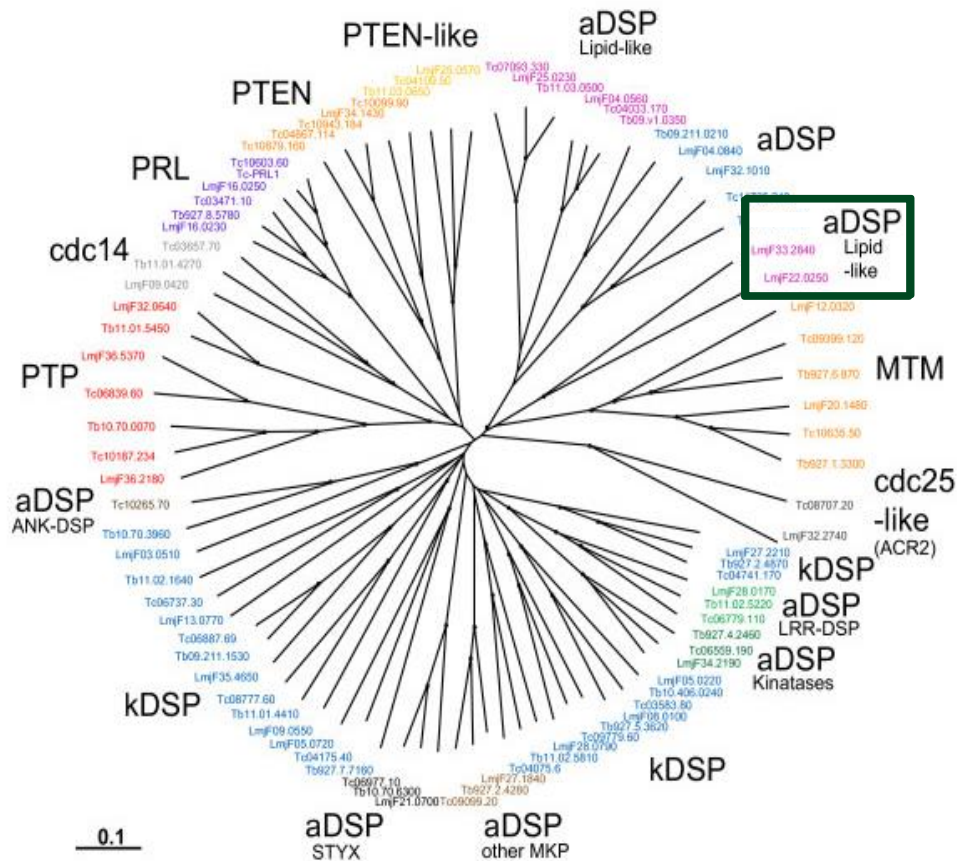
Phosphorylation /Dephosphorylation



Many intracellular pathogens use kinases and phosphatases to block or modify host cell functions in order to secure their survival in them, which leads to disease.

DSPs and ALPs in the *Leishmania* phosphatome

Phylogenetic tree of trypanosomatid phosphatases



ALPs from bacteria or lower eukaryotes

No human homologues

- ✓ MptpB (*Mycobacterium tuberculosis*)
- ✓ LipA (*Listeria monocytogenes*)

***Ld*TyrPIP_22**

Leishmania donovani

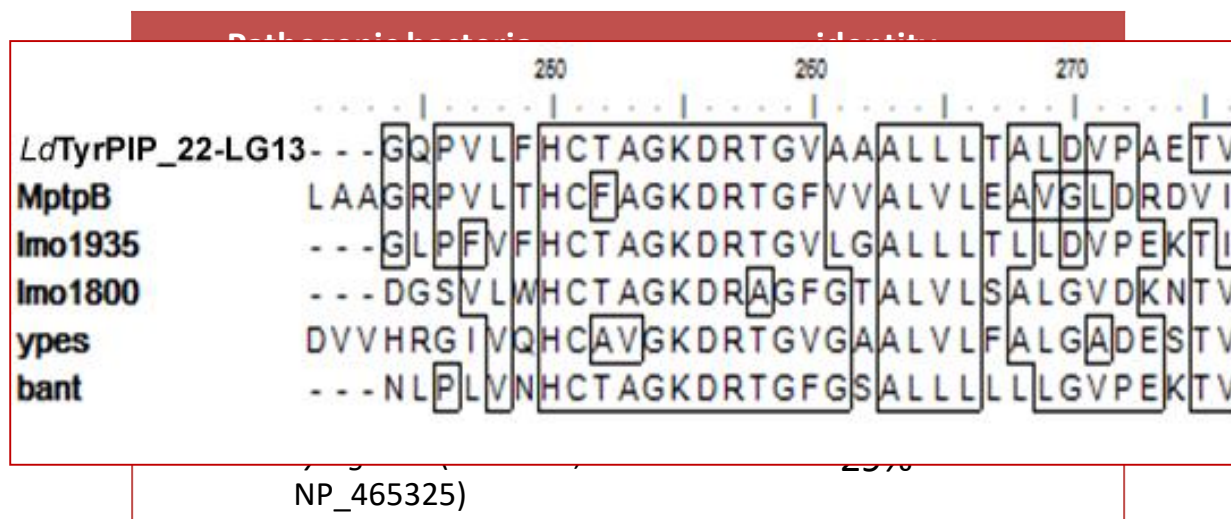
Tyrosine and **P**hospho**I**nositide dual specificity
Phosphatase located in chromosome **22**



Bioinformatics analysis

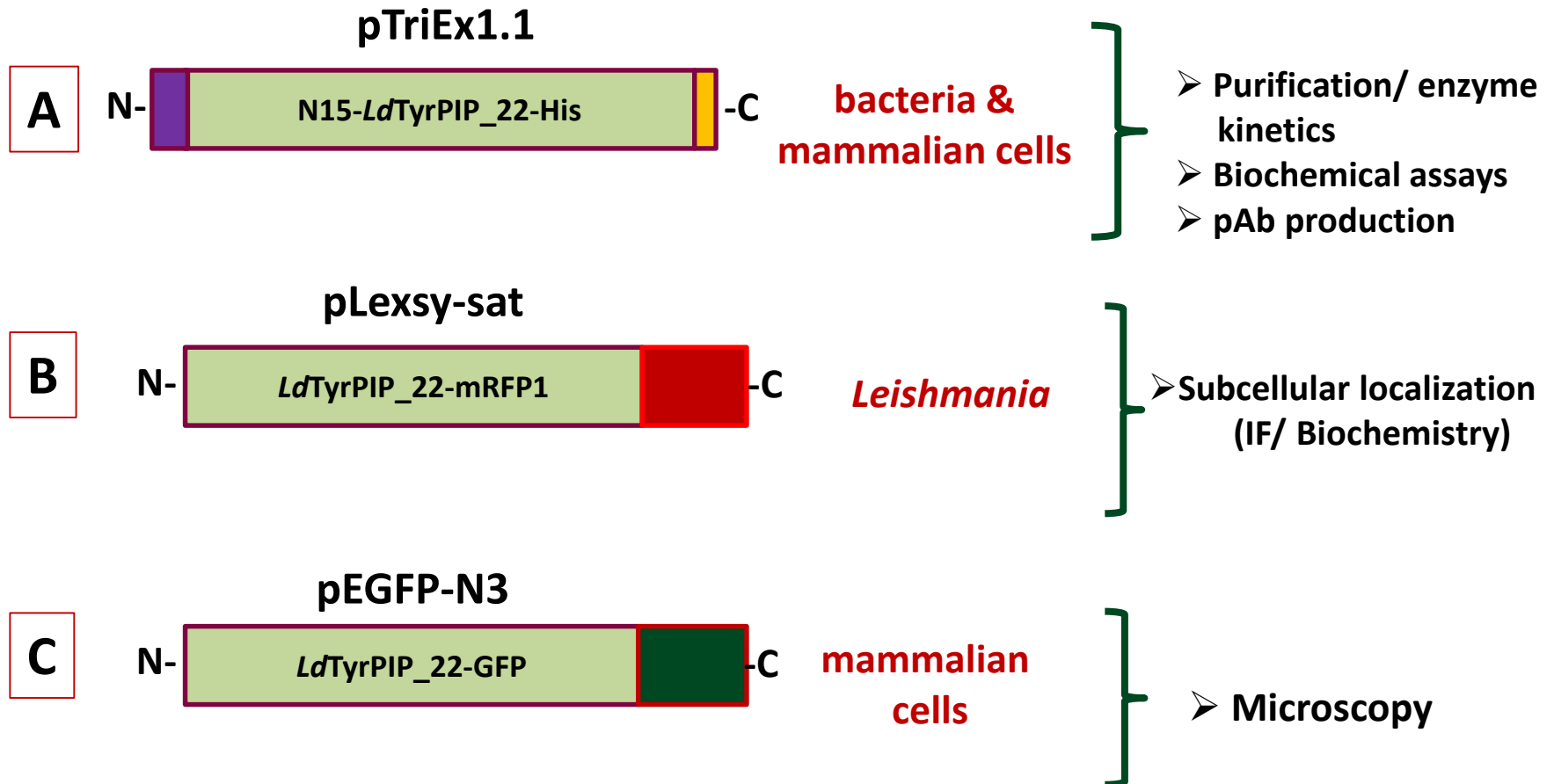
ClustalW multiple sequence alignment

Leishmania spp	identity
<i>L. donovani</i> (LDBPK_220120)	>99%
<i>L. infantum</i> (LinJ_22_0120)	>99%
<i>L. major</i> (LmjF_22_0250)	>95%
<i>L. mexicana</i> (LmxM_22_0250)	>93%
<i>L. tarentolae</i> (LtaP22.0250)	>85%
<i>L. braziliensis</i> (LbrM.22.0240)	>57%



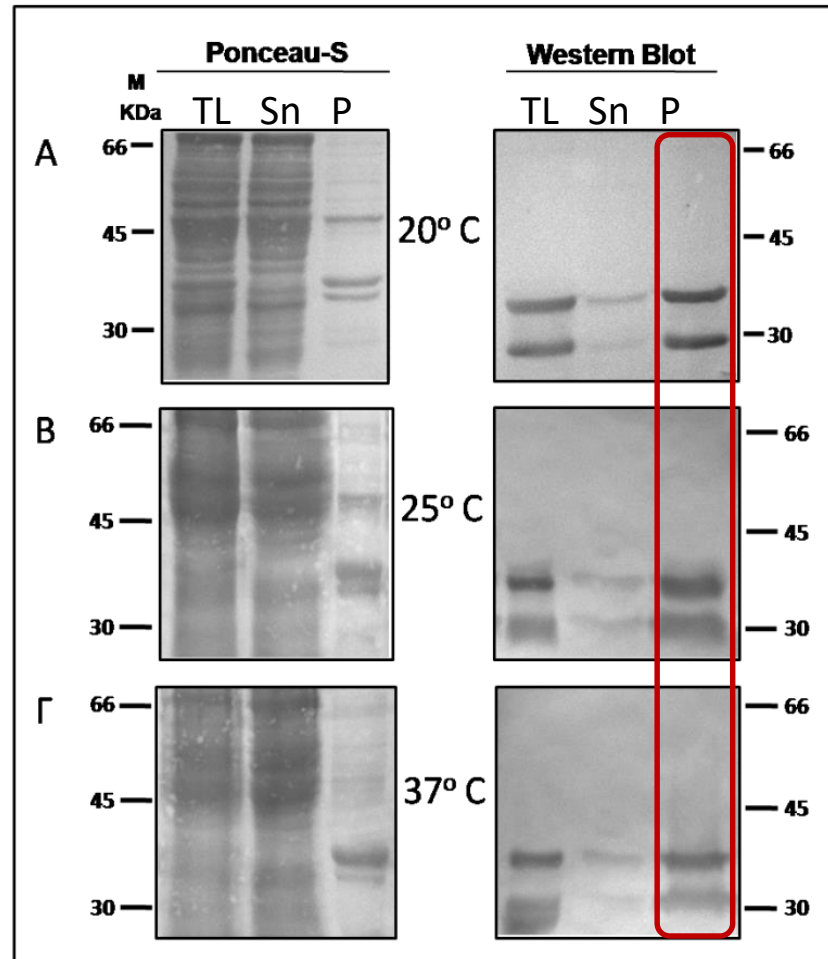
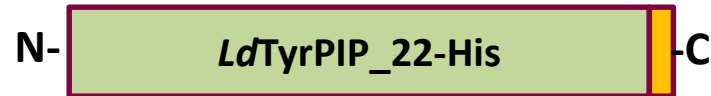


*Ld*TyrPIP₂₂: molecular tools of study





rLdTyrPIP22-His expression from *E. coli*

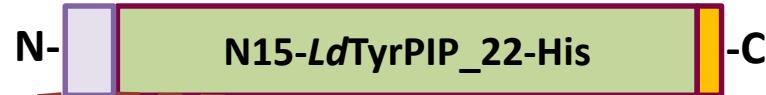


anti-His

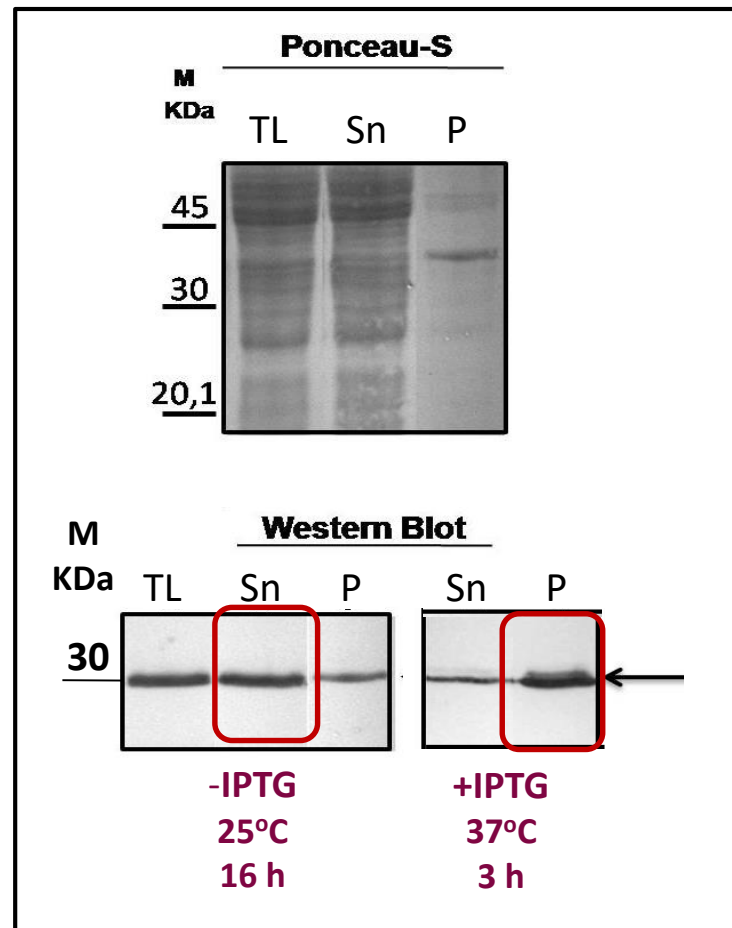


rLdTyrPIP22-His expression from *E. coli*

A2



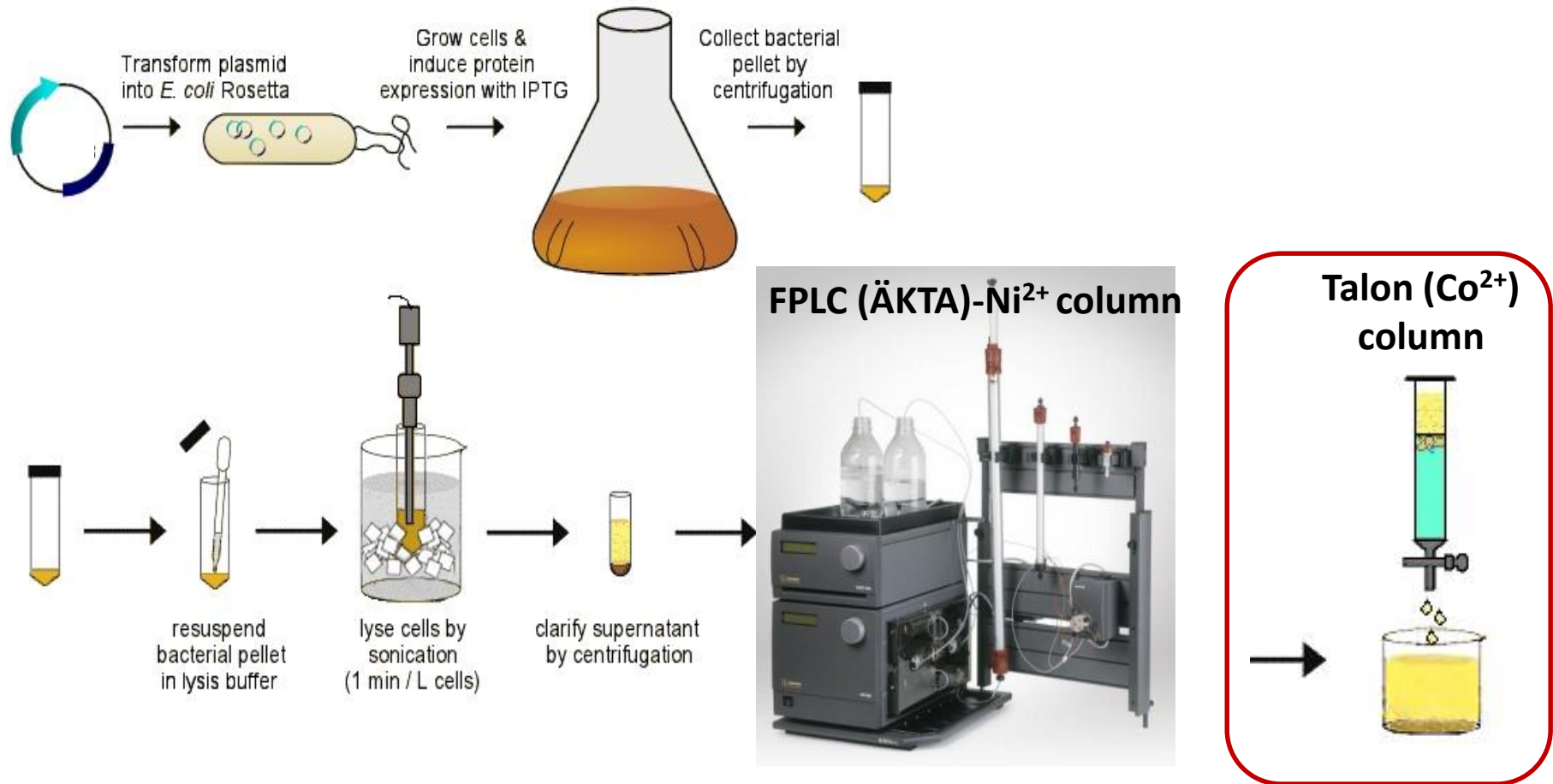
Met-Ala-Ile-Ser-Arg-Glu-Leu-Val-Asp-Pro-Asn-Ser-Gln-Ile-Ser



anti-His

rN15-LdTyrPIP_22-His purification from *E. coli* lysates

IPTG (0,5mM) induction at 20°C for 20 h





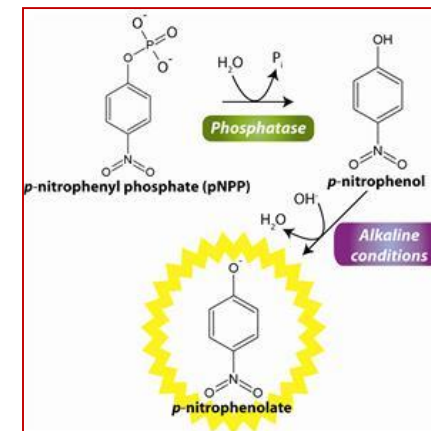
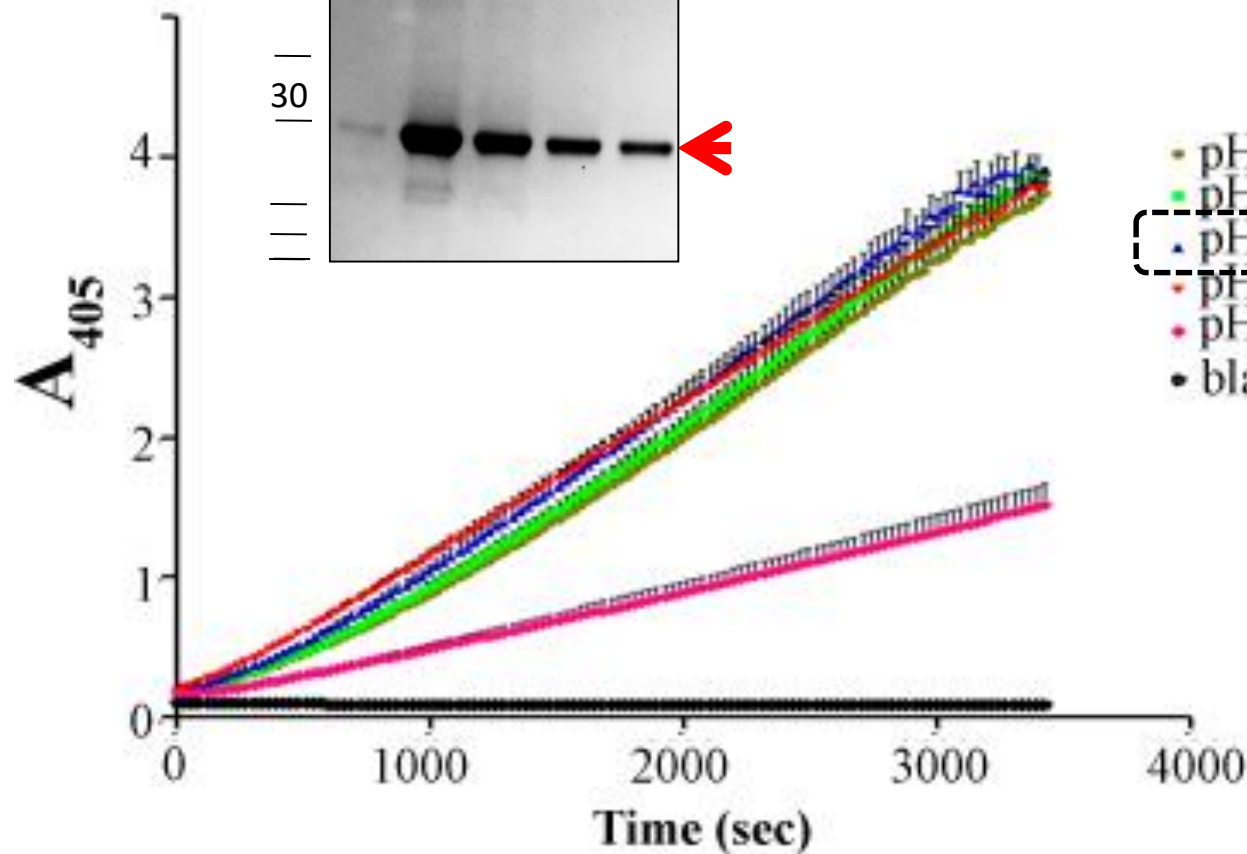
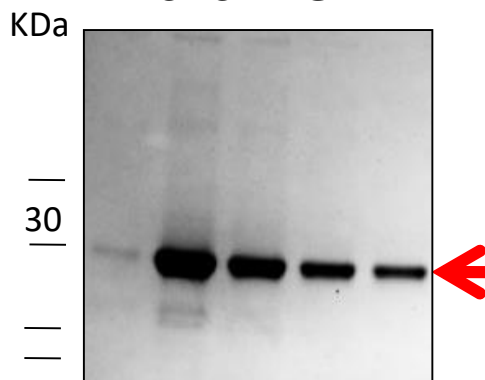
rN15-LdTyrPIP₂₂ catalytic activity

EMBL



- 25°C
- pNPP: 10mM
- enzyme: 2 μ M

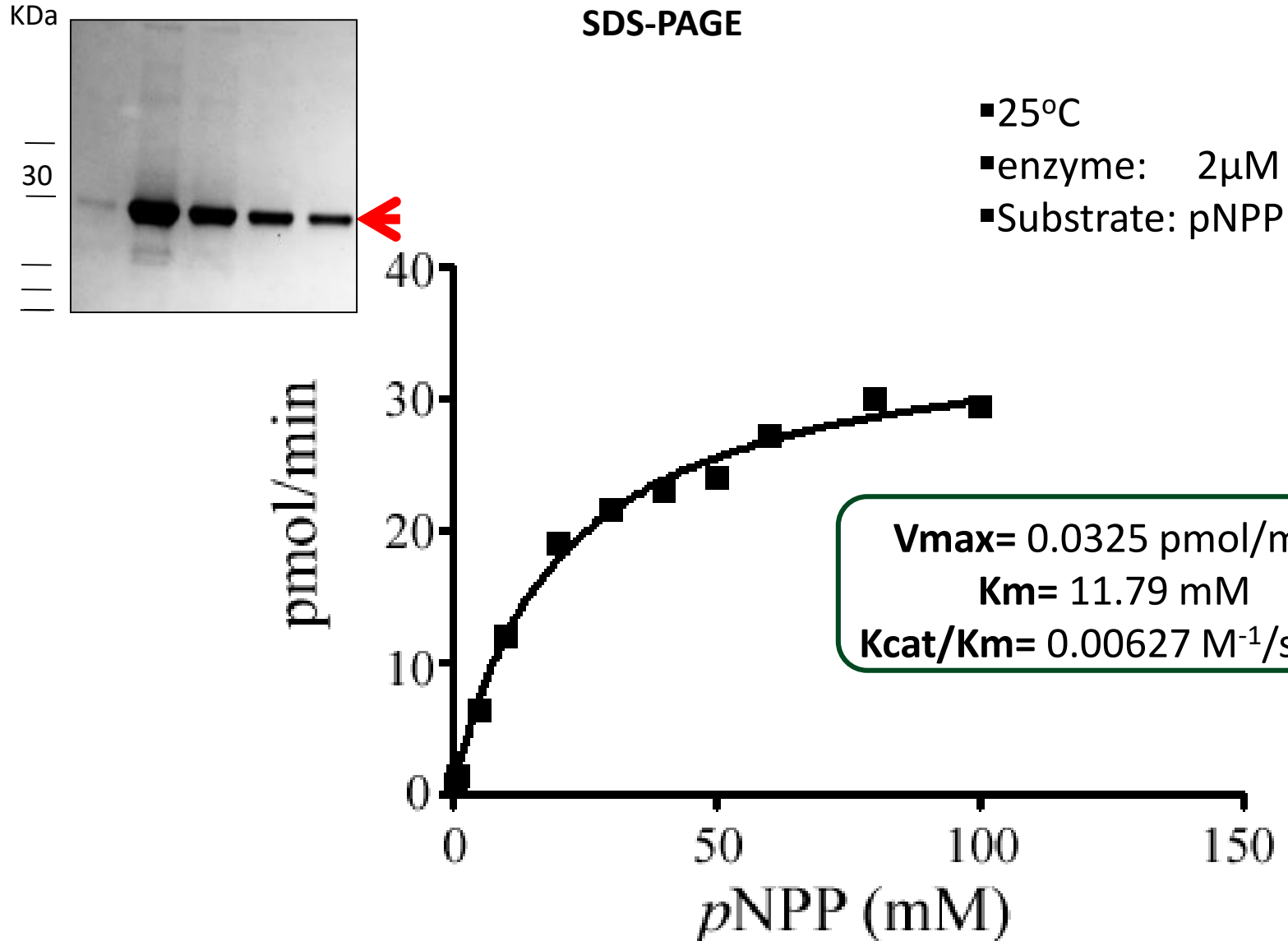
SDS-PAGE



Optimum pH= 6



rN15-LdTyrPIP₂₂ catalytic activity





rN15-LdTyrPIP₂₂-His substrate specificity

EnzcheK kit

pTyr peptides (1 mM)	
IEDNE pY TARQG	?
DEEDT pY TMPST	No
PEGHE pYpY RVRE	No
KKKK pY PKKK	No
LGSRA pY PHFCA	Yes
STEPQ pY QPGEN	Yes
DPSDN pY AEPID	Yes
EEEDI pY EVLPD	Yes
DNEDV pY TFKTP	Yes
IEDP pYpY GNDS	Yes
QENPI pY KSPIN	Yes
D pYpY R	Yes

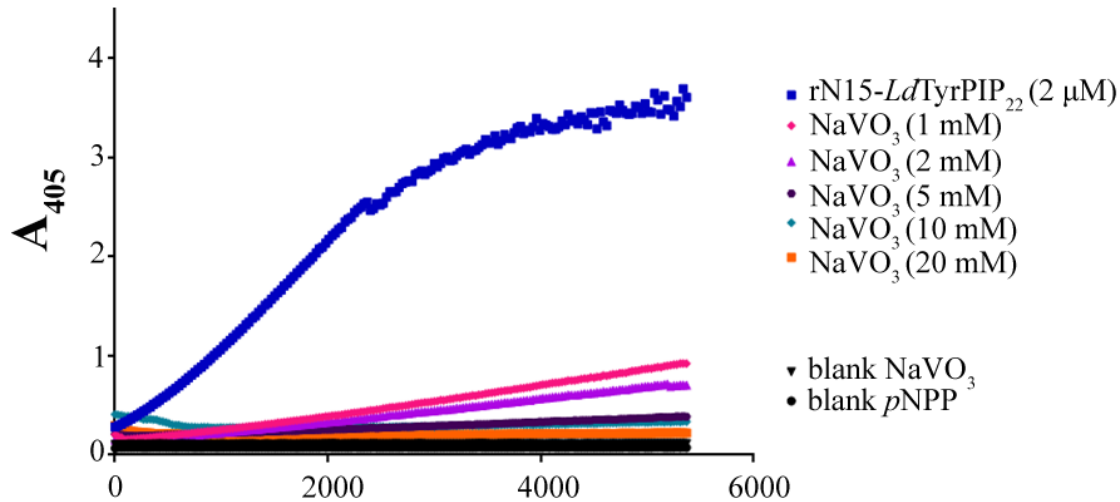
pH 7

Phosphoinositides (PIs) (100 μM)	
PI3P	Yes
PI4P	Yes
PI5P	No
PI(4,5)P ₂	No
PI(3,4)P ₂	No
PI(3,5)P ₂	No
PI(3,4,5)P ₃	No
pSer/Thr peptides (60 μM)	
Ac-IQAA pSp TP	No
Ac-I pS PPPTANL	No
Biotin-QGRDKYK pT LRQIRQG	No

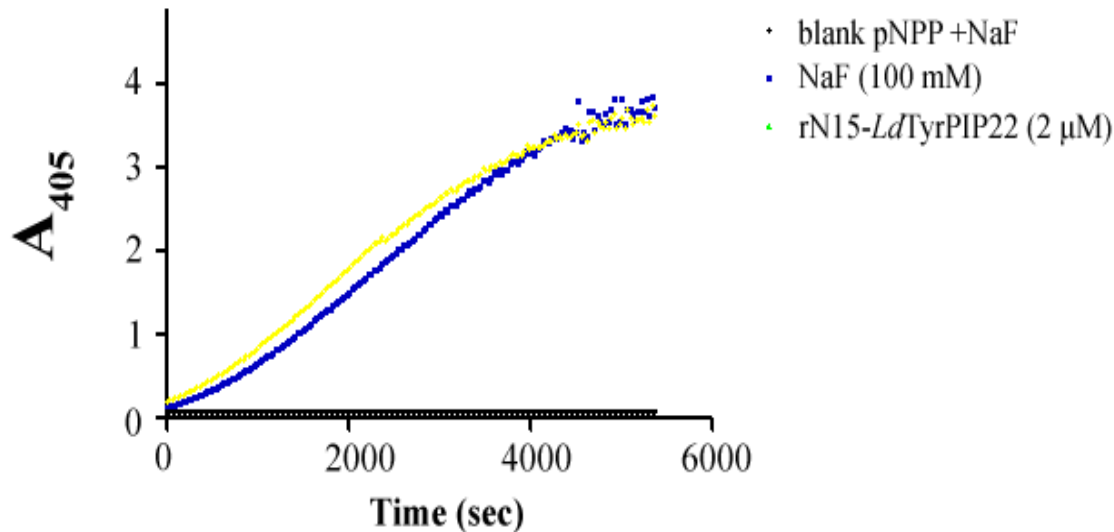


rN15-LdTyrPIP₂₂-His inhibition assay

NaVO₃



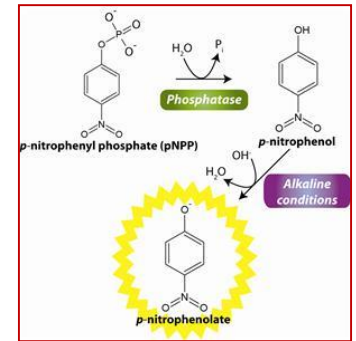
NaF



➤ 25°C

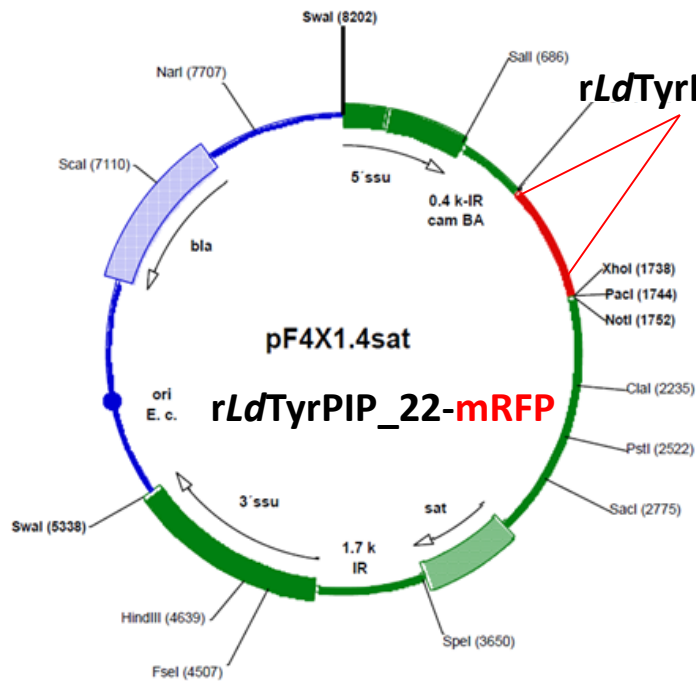
➤ Enzyme: 2 μM

➤ PNPP : 10 mM

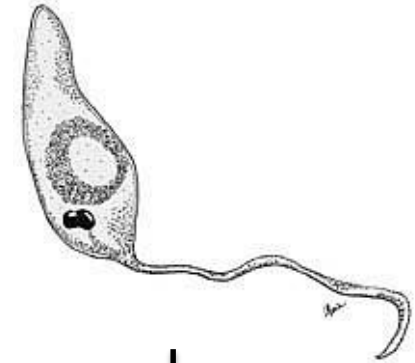




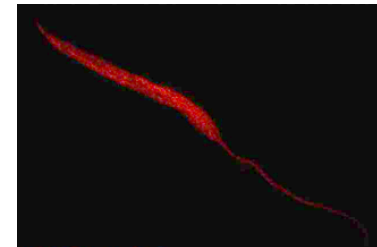
Generation of transgenic *L. donovani*-rLdTyrPIP₂₂-mRFP



electroporation



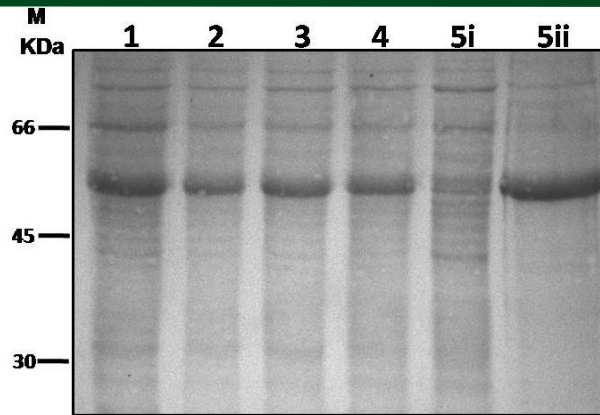
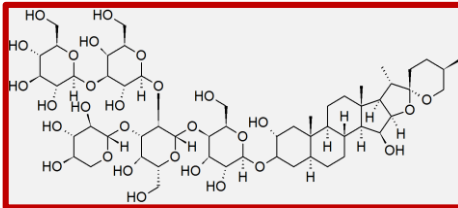
Selection with
antibiotic
Nourseothricin





LdTyrPIP₂₂ subcellular localization in *L. donovani*- rLdTyrPIP₂₂-mRFP

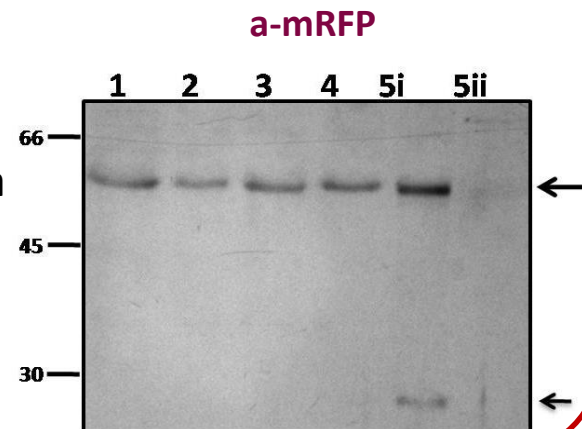
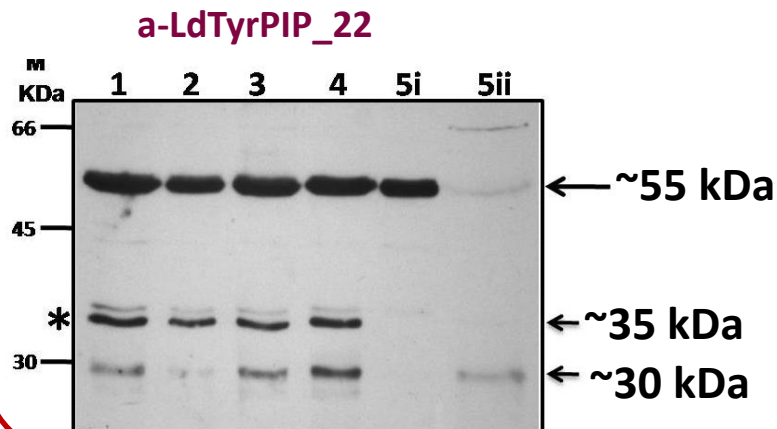
Digitonin fractionation



digitonin (24 ng/mL-12 µg/mL)

Membrane- cytoskeletal proteins

Western Blot

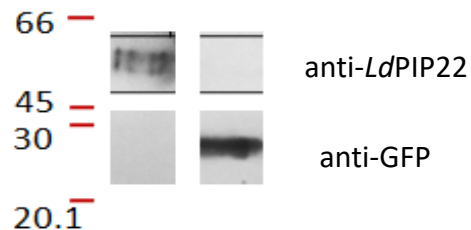
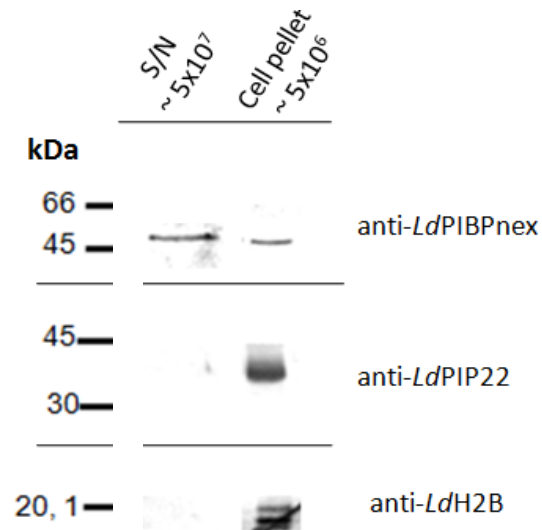




*Ld*TyrPIP₂₂ subcellular localization in *L. donovani*- r*Ld*TyrPIP₂₂-mRFP

Secretion assay 25°C

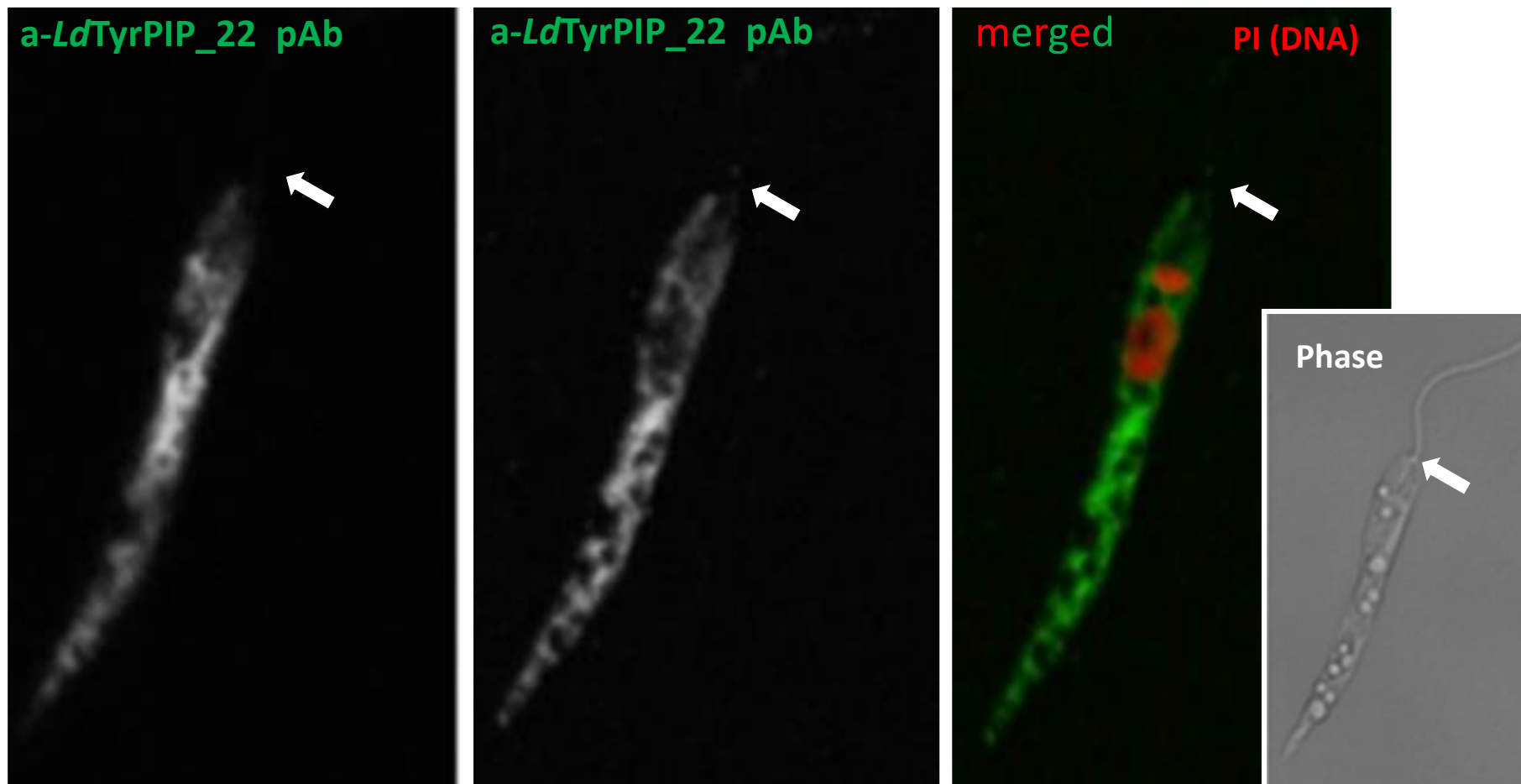
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*Ld*TyrPIP₂₂ subcellular localization in *L. donovani*

Confocal microscopy

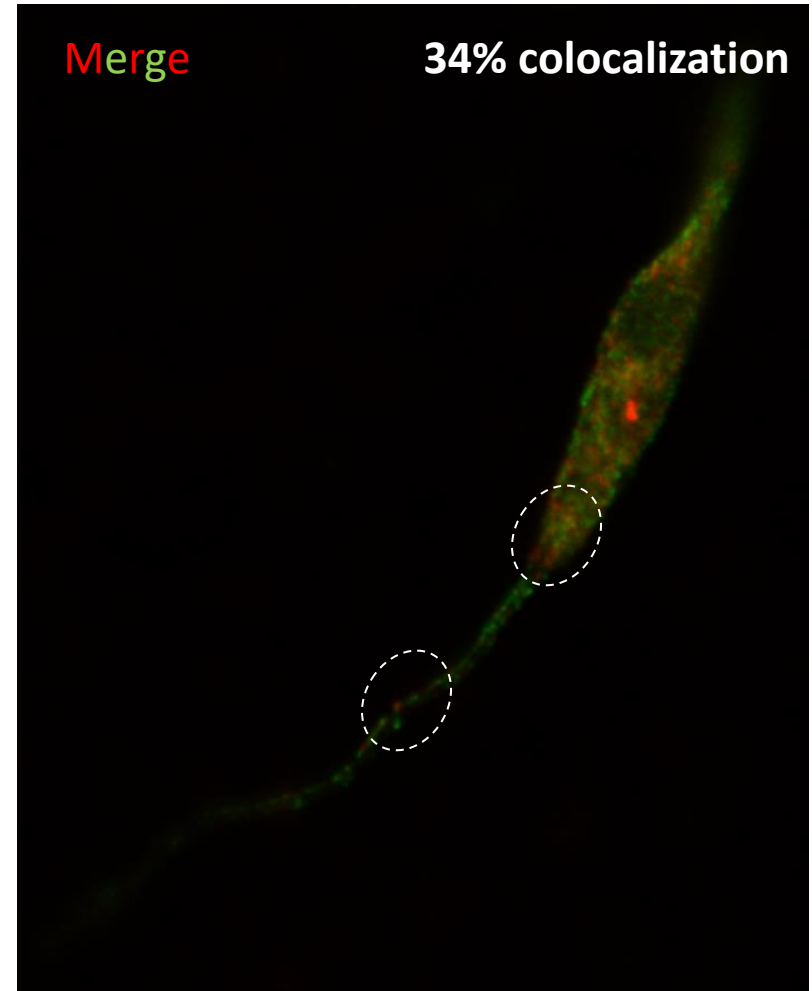


Native *Ld*TyrPIP₂₂ is localized mainly in the cell body and less in the flagellum, & in vesicle-like or filamental subcellular structures

*Ld*TyrPIP₂₂ subcellular localization in *L. donovani* cells



STED
super resolution



Conclusions- Future perspectives

- **LdTyrPIP_22** exhibits dual specificity (DSP) activity (**pTyr & PIs**)
 - In promastigote *L. donovani* parasites **LdTyrPIP_22** is biochemically located in the soluble, membrane and cytoskeletal fraction. It could be also secreted.
 - By **fluorescent microscopy** it localizes in localized mainly in the cell body and less in the flagelum, & in vesicle-like or filamental subcellular structures
 - **rLdTyrPIP_22-GFP**, transiently transfected in **HeLa cells**, is localized on PM sites of high actin and membrane dynamics (lamellipodia & filopodia tips), enriched in PIs and PIPs that regulate membrane and actin dynamics
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- Study of the enzymatic properties of **rLdTyrPIP_22-His** expressed in *Leishmania* cells, and possible role in virulence of *L. donovani* *in vitro* (infected macrophages) and *in vivo* (infected mice).
 - Testing of phosphatase inhibitor molecules

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Interaction of rLdTyrPIP_22 F-actin *in vitro*

In vitro actin cosedimentation assay

- Polymerization of actin in the presence of rLdTyrPIP_22-8His

