

## **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

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I. Product ions with  $z=+1$  produced by fragmenting native L32-K42 ( $m/z = 424.5609$ ;  $z=+3$ )

	<b>b-ions</b>	<b>Theoretical <math>m/z^a</math></b>	<b>Observed <math>m/z^b</math></b>	<b>y-ions</b>	<b>Theoretical <math>m/z^a</math></b>	<b>Observed <math>m/z^b</math></b>
L	$b_1$	114.0919		$y_{11}$	1271.6636	
F	$b_2$	261.1604	261.1586	$y_{10}$	1158.5796	
T	$b_3$	362.2080	362.2050	$y_9$	1011.5111	1011.5070
G	$b_4$	419.2295	419.2223	$y_8$	910.4635	910.4603
H	$b_5$	556.2884	556.2834	$y_7$	853.442	853.4381
P	$b_6$	653.3412		$y_6$	716.3831	716.3800
E	$b_7$	782.3838	782.3758	$y_5$	619.3303	619.3267
T	$b_8$	883.4314	883.4253	$y_4$	490.2877	490.2852
L	$b_9$	996.5155		$y_3$	389.2401	389.2385
E	$b_{10}$	1125.5581		$y_2$	276.1560	276.1544
K	$b_{11}$	1253.6531		$y_1$	147.1134	147.1119

II. Product ions with  $z=+2$  produced by fragmenting native L32-K42 ( $m/z = 424.5609$ ;  $z=+3$ )

	<b>y-ions<sup>c</sup></b>	<b>Theoretical m/z<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Observed m/z<sup>b</sup></b>
L	$y_{11}$	636.3357	636.3344
F	$y_{10}$	579.7937	579.7910
T	$y_9$	506.2595	506.2572
G	$y_8$	455.7357	455.7332
H	$y_7$	427.2249	427.2230
P	$y_6$	358.6955	358.6935
E	$y_5$	310.1691	
T	$y_4$	245.6478	
L	$y_3$	195.1240	
E	$y_2$	138.5819	
K	$y_1$	74.0606	

III. Product ions with  $z=+2$  produced by fragmenting labeled L32-K42 ( $m/z = 462.9133$ ;  $z=+3$ )

	y-ions	(A) Theoretical $m/z$ (labeled)	(B) Observed $m/z$ (labeled)	(C) Observed $m/z$ (unlabeled)	Mass difference (u) <sup>d</sup> $M = M_{\text{labeled}} - M_{\text{unlabeled}}$
L	$y_{11}$	693.8674	693.8649		
F	$y_{10}$	637.3254	637.3184	579.789	115.0588
T	$y_9$	563.7912	563.7873	506.2524	115.0698
G	$y_8$	513.2673	513.2592	455.7365	115.0454
H	$y_7$	484.7566	484.7525	427.2245	115.0560
P	$y_6$	416.2271	416.2189	358.6996	115.0386
E	$y_5$	367.7008			
T	$y_4$	303.1795			
L	$y_3$	252.6556			
E	$y_2$	196.1136			
K	$y_1$	131.5923			

<sup>a</sup> Calculated  $m/z$  values.

<sup>b</sup>  $m/z$  values obtained experimentally using mass spectrometry.

<sup>c</sup> No  $b$ -ions were detected by MS for  $z = +2$ .

<sup>d</sup> Mass difference  $M$  was calculated from  $m/z$  values in columns (B) and (C), using the formula  $M = (m/z) \cdot n - nH^+$ , where  $n$  is the number of charges on the  $y$ -ion and  $H$  is the mass of a proton ( $H=1.01$  u).

IV. Product ions with  $z=+1$  produced by fragmenting labeled L32-K42 ( $m/z = 462.9133$ ;  $z=+3$ )

	y-ions <sup>c</sup>	(A) Theoretical $m/z$ (labeled)	(B) Observed $m/z$ (labeled)	(C) Observed $m/z$ (unlabeled)	Mass difference $M = M_{\text{labeled}} - M_{\text{unlabeled}}$
L	$y_{11}$	1386.7269			
F	$y_{10}$	1273.6429			
T	$y_9$	1126.5744			
G	$y_8$	1025.5268			
H	$y_7$	968.5053			
P	$y_6$	831.4464	831.4462	716.3819	115.0643
E	$y_5$	734.3936	734.3989	619.3205	115.0784
T	$y_4$	605.3510	605.3535	490.289	115.0645
L	$y_3$	504.3034		389.2466	
E	$y_2$	391.2193		276.1541	
K	$y_1$	262.1767		147.1118	

<sup>a</sup> Calculated  $m/z$  values.

<sup>b</sup>  $m/z$  values obtained experimentally using mass spectrometry.

<sup>c</sup> No  $b$ -ions were detected by MS for  $z = +2$ .

<sup>d</sup> Mass difference  $M$  was calculated from  $m/z$  values in columns (B) and (C), using the formula  $M = (m/z) \cdot n - nH^+$ , where  $n$  is the number of charges on the  $y$ -ion and  $H$  is the mass of a proton ( $H=1.01$  u).

**Table S2.** Theoretical and observed *b*- and *y*-ions from MS/MS analysis of GCG (1-8)\* dimer from formulation containing peptide lyophilized with L-Leu. F\* denotes p-benzoyl-L-phenylalanine (pBpA). Calculated *m/z* values are denoted as ‘Theoretical *m/z*’ while *m/z* values obtained experimentally using mass spectrometry are denoted as ‘Observed *m/z*’.

I. Internal fragment (non-cross-linked) product ions with *z*=+1 produced by fragmenting GCG (1-8)\* dimer (*m/z* = 646.2783; *z*=+3)

	<b><i>b</i>-ions</b>	<b>Theoretical <i>m/z</i><sup>b</sup></b>	<b>Observed <i>m/z</i><sup>c</sup></b>	<b><i>y</i>-ions</b>	<b>Theoretical <i>m/z</i><sup>b</sup></b>	<b>Observed <i>m/z</i><sup>c</sup></b>
H	<i>b</i> <sub>1</sub>	138.0668	138.0656	<i>y</i> <sub>8</sub>	968.4110	
S	<i>b</i> <sub>2</sub>	225.0988	225.0973	<i>y</i> <sub>7</sub>	831.3521	
Q	<i>b</i> <sub>3</sub>	353.1574	353.1502	<i>y</i> <sub>6</sub>	744.3201	
G	<i>b</i> <sub>4</sub>	410.1789		<i>y</i> <sub>5</sub>	616.2615	
T	<i>b</i> <sub>5</sub>	511.2265	511.2234	<i>y</i> <sub>4</sub>	559.2400	559.2367
F* <sup>a</sup>	<i>b</i> <sub>6</sub>	762.3207		<i>y</i> <sub>3</sub>	458.1923	458.1916
T	<i>b</i> <sub>7</sub>	863.3684		<i>y</i> <sub>2</sub>	207.0981	207.0963
S	<i>b</i> <sub>8</sub>	950.4004		<i>y</i> <sub>1</sub>	106.0505	106.0497

II. Cross-linked product ions with  $z=+2$  produced by fragmenting GCG (1-8)\* dimer  
( $m/z = 646.2783$ ;  $z=+3$ )

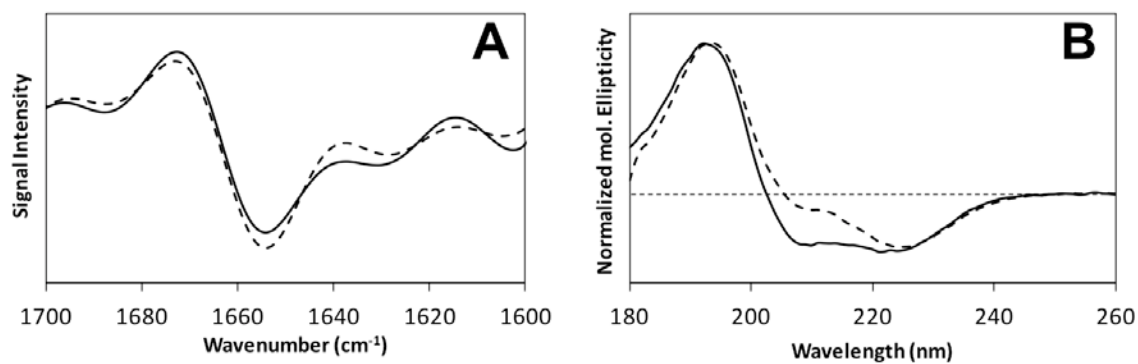
	$b\sim\alpha$ -ions <sup>d</sup>	Theoretical $m/z^b$	Observed $m/z^c$	$\alpha$ -y- ions	Theoretical $m/z^b$	Observed $m/z^c$
H	$b_1$	553.2400		y <sub>8</sub>	968.9173	968.9178
S	$b_2$	596.7560		y <sub>7</sub>	890.8773	
Q	$b_3$	660.7853		y <sub>6</sub>	847.3613	847.3526
G	$b_4$	689.2960	689.2939	y <sub>5</sub>	783.3320	783.3290
T	$b_5$	739.8198	739.8130	y <sub>4</sub>	754.8213	
F*	$b_6$	865.3669	865.3627	y <sub>3</sub>	704.2975	
T	$b_7$	915.8908	915.8929	y <sub>2</sub>	578.7504	
S	$b_8$	959.4068		y <sub>1</sub>	528.2265	

<sup>a</sup> F\* = p-benzoyl-L-phenylalanine (pBpA).

<sup>b</sup> Calculated  $m/z$  values.

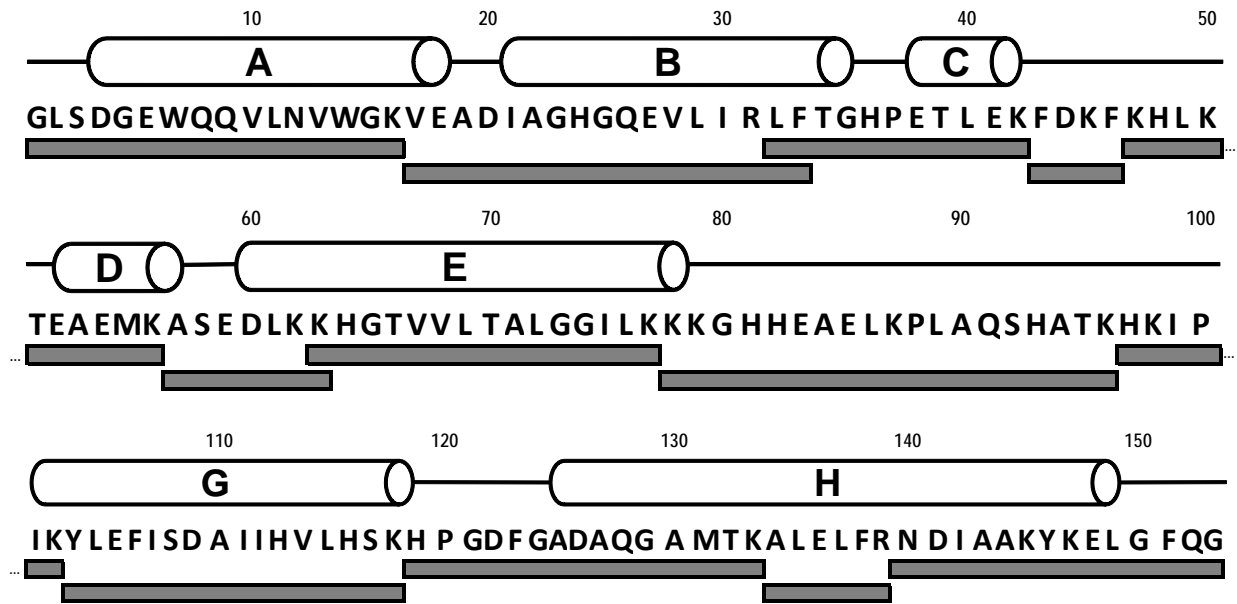
<sup>c</sup>  $m/z$  values obtained experimentally using mass spectrometry.

<sup>d</sup>  $\alpha$  = GCG (1-8)\* monomer.



**Fig S1.** FTIR (A) and far UV-CD spectra (B) of labeled and unlabeled apoMb in lyophilized solids. ApoMb was co-lyophilized with sucrose and 100x molar excess of pLeu. The lyophilized formulation was irradiated at 365 nm for 40 min (dotted line), while the control was not irradiated (solid line).





**Fig S2.** Digest map of native apoMb digested with a combination of trypsin and chymotrypsin. A total of 36 peptides were produced, of which the 13 shown by the shaded bars were selected to provide 100% sequence coverage.