

Supplementary Materials for
Multiplexed molecular imaging with
surface enhanced resonance Raman scattering nanoprobe
reveals immunotherapy response in mice
via multichannel image segmentation

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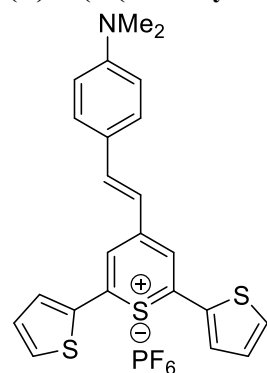
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Materials and Methods

Synthesis of:

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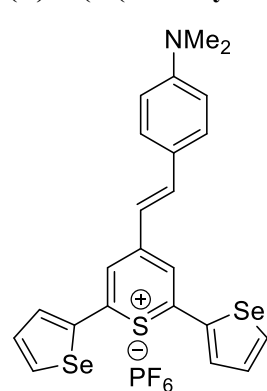
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4-Methyl-2,6-di(thien-2-yl)thiopyrylium hexafluorophosphate¹ (50.0 mg, 0.119 mmol), 4-(dimethylamino)benzaldehyde (18.9 mg, 0.127 mmol) and acetic anhydride (0.82 mL) were heated at 105°C for 10 min in a test tube. The reaction mixture was then cooled to ambient temperature. Acetonitrile (0.25 mL) was added, and the mixture cooled on ice for 15 min. The mixture was then filtered to afford 65.6 mg (79%) of a metallic green solid, m.p. 221-222 °C; ¹H NMR [500 MHz, CD₂Cl₂] δ 8.10 (d, 1 H, *J* = 15.0 Hz), 7.99 (s, 2 H), 7.86 (d, 4 H, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 7.75 (d, 2 H, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 7.29 (t, 2 H, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 7.15 (d, 1 H, *J* = 15.5 Hz), 6.84 (d, 2 H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 3.21 (s, 6 H); λ_{max} (CH₂Cl₂) 728 nm (ε = 5.8 × 10⁴ M⁻¹cm⁻¹); IR (ATR) 1612.3 cm⁻¹ (m, C=C), 1523.1 cm⁻¹ (m, aromatic C=C), 1332.2 cm⁻¹ (m, C-N); HRMS (ESI) *m/z* 406.0760 (calcd for C₂₃H₂₀N₁S₃⁺: 406.0752).

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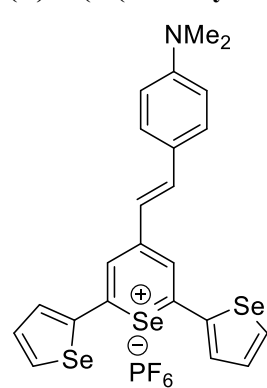
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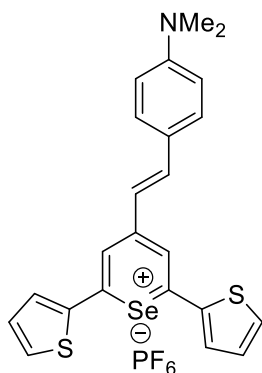
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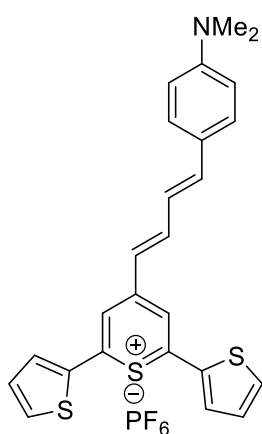
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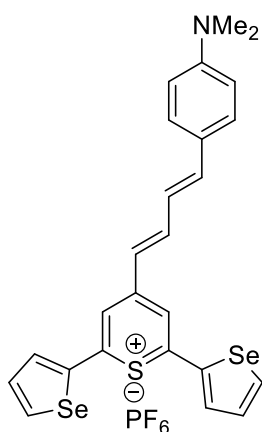
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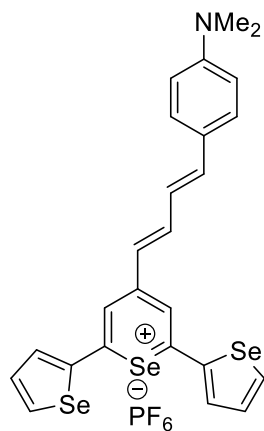
4-Methyl-2,6-di(thien-2-yl)selenopyrylium hexafluorophosphate (50.0 mg, 0.107 mmol), 4-(dimethylamino)benzaldehyde (17.0 mg, 0.114 mmol) and acetic anhydride (0.75 mL) were heated at 105°C for 5 min in a test tube. The reaction mixture was then cooled to ambient temperature. Acetonitrile (0.22 mL) was added, and the mixture cooled on ice for 15 min. The mixture was then filtered to afford 38.9 mg (61%) of a metallic green solid, m.p. 224-226 °C; ¹H NMR [500 MHz, CD₂Cl₂] δ 8.15 (d, 2 H, *J* = 15.0 Hz), 7.96 (s, 1 H), 7.79 (t, 4 H, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 7.72 (d, 2 H, *J* = 3.5 Hz), 7.30 (t, 2 H, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 7.22 (d, 1 H, *J* = 14.5 Hz), 6.87 (d, 2 H, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 3.22 (s, 6 H); λ_{max} = (CH₂Cl₂) 761 nm ε = 4.0 × 10⁴ M⁻¹cm⁻¹; IR (ATR) 1613.3 cm⁻¹ (m, C=C), 1510.8 cm⁻¹ (m, aromatic C=C) 1330.8 cm⁻¹ (m, C-N); HRMS (ESI) 454.0294 (calcd for C₂₃H₂₀N₁S₂⁸⁰Se⁺: 454.0246).

ChPIR-817**4-((1E,3E)-4-(4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)buta-1,3-dien-1-yl)-2,6-di(thien-2-yl)thiopyrylium hexafluorophosphate.**

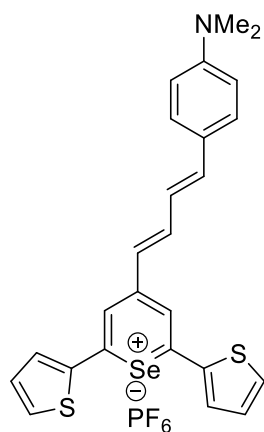
4-Methyl-2,6-di(thien-2-yl)thiopyrylium hexafluorophosphate¹ (50.0 mg, 0.119 mmol), 4-(dimethylamino)cinnamaldehyde (22.3 mg, 0.127 mmol) and acetic anhydride (1.23 mL) were heated at 105°C for 10 min in a test tube. The reaction mixture was then cooled to ambient temperature. Acetonitrile (0.25 mL) was added, and the mixture cooled on ice for 15 min. The mixture was then filtered to afford 65.6 mg (79%) of a metallic green solid, m.p. 204-206 °C; ¹H NMR [500 MHz, CD₂Cl₂] δ 8.03 (t, 1 H, *J* = 14.0 Hz), 7.86 (s, 2 H), 7.78 (m, 4 H), 7.63 (d, 2 H), 7.52 (d, 2 H, *J* = 14.5 Hz), 7.31 (t, 2 H, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 7.17 (t, 1 H, *J* = 14.5 Hz), 6.79 (d, 2 H, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 6.74 (d, 2 H, *J* = 15.0 Hz), 3.09 (s, 6 H); λ_{max} (CH₂Cl₂) 817 nm (ε = 6.5 × 10⁴ M⁻¹cm⁻¹); IR (ATR) 1614.0 cm⁻¹ (s, C=C), 1505.0 cm⁻¹ (m, aromatic C=C), 1374.6 cm⁻¹ (m, C-N); HRMS (ESI) *m/z* 432.0925 (calcd for C₂₅H₂₂N₁S₃⁺: 432.0909).

ChPIR-820,**4-((1E,3E)-4-(4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)buta-1,3-dien-1-yl)-2,6-di(selenophen-2-yl)thiopyrylium hexafluorophosphate.**

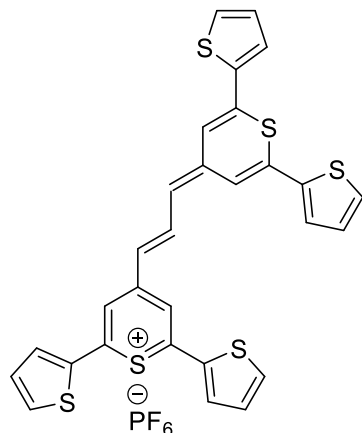
4-Methyl-2,6-di(selenophen-2-yl)thiopyrylium hexafluorophosphate² (50.0 mg, 0.097 mmol), 4-(dimethylamino)benzaldehyde (16.0 mg, 0.107 mmol) and acetic anhydride (1.00 mL) were heated at 105 °C for 10 min in a test tube. The reaction mixture was then cooled to ambient temperature. Acetonitrile (0.20 mL) was added, and the mixture cooled on ice for 15 min. The mixture was then filtered to afford 35.7 mg (57%) of a metallic green solid, m.p. >260 °C; ¹H NMR [500 MHz, CD₂Cl₂] δ 8.57 (d, 1 H, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 8.16-8.12 (m, 2 H), 8.03 (d, 2 H, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 7.91 (s, 2 H), 7.59 (d, 2 H, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 7.52 (t, 2 H, *J* = 4.5 Hz), 7.42 (d, 1 H, *J* = 14.5 Hz), 7.18-7.13 (m, 2 H), 6.78 (d, 2 H, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 6.74 (s, 1 H), 3.18 (s, 6 H); λ_{max} (CH₂Cl₂) 820 nm (ε = 4.5 × 10⁴ M⁻¹cm⁻¹); IR (ATR) 1604.6 cm⁻¹ (m, C=C), 1504.6 cm⁻¹ (m, aromatic C=C), 1377.2 (m, C-N); HRMS (ESI) *m/z* 527.9808 (calcd for C₂₅H₂₂N₁S₁⁸⁰Se₂⁺: 527.9798).

ChPIR-863**4-((1E,3E)-4-(4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)buta-1,3-dien-1-yl)-2,6-di(selenophen-2-yl)selenopyrylium hexafluorophosphate.**

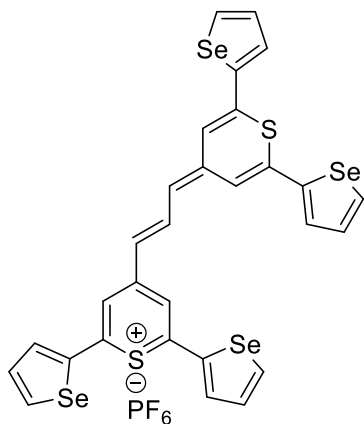
4-Methyl-2,6-di(selenophen-2-yl)selenopyrylium hexafluorophosphate (50.0 mg, 0.089 mmol), 4-(dimethylamino)cinnamaldehyde (16.7 mg, 0.095 mmol) and acetic anhydride (1.00 mL) were heated at 105 °C for 5 min in a test tube. The reaction mixture was then cooled to ambient temperature. Acetonitrile (0.20 mL) was added, and the mixture cooled on ice for 15 min. The mixture was then filtered to afford 27.3 mg (40%) of a metallic red solid, m.p. >260 °C; ¹H NMR [500 MHz, CD₂Cl₂] δ 8.57 (d, 1 H, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 8.13 (m, 1 H), 8.03 (d, 2 H, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 7.91 (s, 1 H), 7.59 (d, 2 H, *J* = 9.0 Hz) 7.52(m, 2 H), 7.42 (d, 1 H, *J* = 14.5 Hz), 7.15 (m, 2 H), 6.78 (d, 2 H, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 6.74 (s, 1 H), 3.11 (s, 6 H); IR (ATR), 1611.2 cm⁻¹ (s, C=C) 1496.9 cm⁻¹ (m, aromatic C=C), 1380.4 (m, C-N); λ_{max} (CH₂Cl₂) 863 nm (ε = 3.7 × 10⁴ M⁻¹cm⁻¹). HRMS (ESI) *m/z* 573.9238 (calcd for C₂₅H₂₂N₁⁸⁰Se₃⁺: 573.9250).

ChPIR-853**4-((1E,3E)-4-(4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)buta-1,3-dien-1-yl)-2,6-di(thien-2-yl)selenopyrylium hexafluorophosphate.**

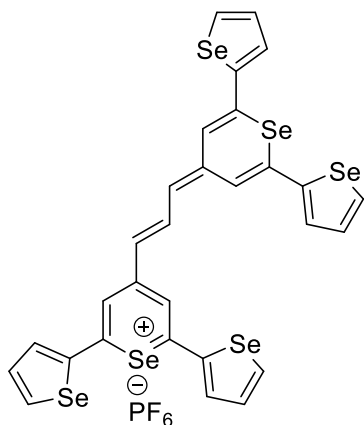
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ChPIR-813**(E)-4-(3-(2,6-di(thien-2-yl)-4H-thiopyran-4-ylidene)prop-1-en-1-yl)-2,6-di(thien-2-yl)thiopyrylium hexafluorophosphate.**

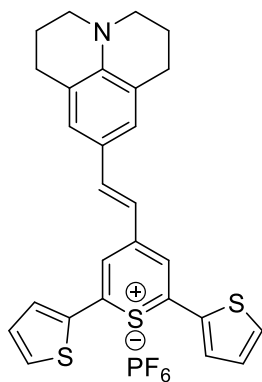
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ChPIR-825**(E)-4-(3-(2,6-di(selenophen-2-yl)-4H-thiopyran-4-ylidene)prop-1-en-1-yl)-2,6-di(selenophen-2-yl)thiopyrylium hexafluorophosphate.**

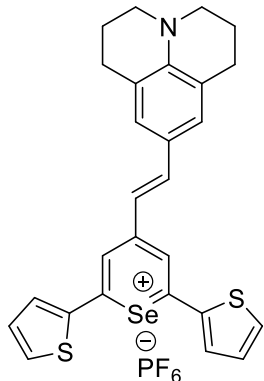
Prepared according to reference 2. 4-Methyl-2,6-di(selenophen-2-yl)thiopyrylium hexafluorophosphate (62.8 mg, 0.158 mmol), 2-(2,6-di(thiophen-2-yl)-4H-thiopyran-4-ylidene)acetaldehyde (74.0 mg, 0.144 mmol) and acetic anhydride (2.42 mL) were heated at 105 °C for 15 min in a test tube. The mixture was then cooled to ambient temperature., acetonitrile (1.0 mL) was added, and ether was used to precipitate the product. The product was collected by filtration to yield 95.0 mg (74%) of bronze solid, m.p. 249-250 °C: ¹H NMR [500 MHz, CD₃CN] δ 8.51-8.46 (m, 5 H), 7.88 (d, 4 H *J* = 3.0 Hz) 7.71 (br s, 4 H), 7.46(t, 4 H, *J* = 4.5 H), 6.62 (d, 2 H, *J* = 13.0 Hz); λ_{max} (CH₂Cl₂) 825 nm (ε = 2.3 × 10⁵ M⁻¹cm⁻¹); 750 nm (ε = 5.2 × 10⁴ M⁻¹cm⁻¹); 490 nm (ε = 2.8 × 10⁴ M⁻¹cm⁻¹); IR (ATR) 1470.8 cm⁻¹ (m, aromatic C=C). HRMS (ESI) *m/z* 750.7560 (calc for C₂₉H₁₉S₂⁸⁰Se₄⁺: 750.7584). Anal. Calcd for C₂₉H₁₉S₂Se₄PF₆: C, 39.03; H, 2.15. Found: C, 39.28; H, 2.19.

ChPIR-870**(E)-4-(3-(2,6-di(selenophen-2-yl)-4H-selenopyran-4-ylidene)prop-1-en-1-yl)-2,6-di(selenophen-2-yl)selenopyrylium hexafluorophosphate.**

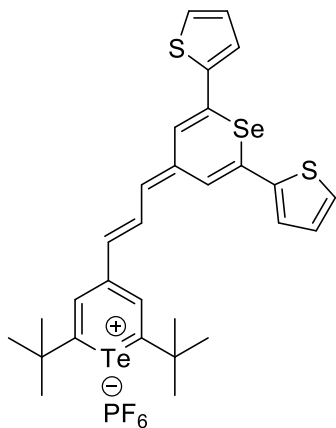
4-Methyl-2,6-di(selenophen-2-yl)selenopyrylium hexafluorophosphate (57.8 mg, 0.103 mmol), 2-(2,6-di(selenophen-2-yl)-4H-selenopyran-4-ylidene)acetaldehyde (50.0 mg, 0.113 mmol) and acetic anhydride (1.80 mL) were heated at 105 °C for 5 min in a test tube. The reaction mixture was then cooled to ambient temperature, acetonitrile (1.0 mL) was added, and ether was used to precipitate the product. The product was collected by filtration to yield 54.9 mg (54%) of a bronze solid, m.p. > 260 °C: ¹H NMR [500 MHz, CD₂Cl₂] δ 8.54 (t, 1 H, *J* = 13.5 Hz), 7.88 (d 4 H *J* = 3.0 Hz) 8.42 (d, 4 H, *J* = 5.5 Hz), 7.80 (d, 4 H, *J* = 4.0 H), 7.71 (br s, 4 H) 7.47-7.45 (m, 4 H), 6.75 (d, 2 H, *J* = 13.5 Hz); λ_{max} (CH₂Cl₂) 872 nm (ε = 2.2 × 10⁵ M⁻¹cm⁻¹); 787 nm (ε = 4.6 × 10⁴ M⁻¹cm⁻¹). IR (ATR) 1470.3 cm⁻¹ (m, aromatic C=C); HRMS (ESI) *m/z* 846.6510 (calc for C₂₉H₁₉⁸⁰Se₆⁺: 846.6472). Anal calcd for C₂₉H₁₉Se₆ PF₆: C, 35.32; H, 1.94. Found: C, 35.58; H, 2.08.

ChPIR-794**(E)-4-(2-(2,3,6,7-tetrahydro-1H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinolin-9-yl)vinyl)-2,6-di(thien-2-yl)thiopyrylium hexafluorophosphate.**

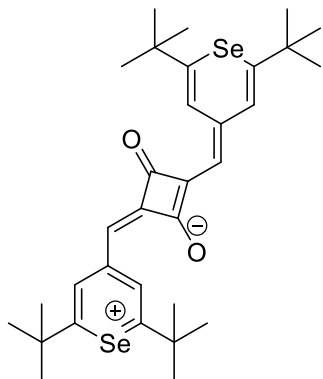
4-Methyl-2,6-di(thien-2-yl)thiopyrylium hexafluorophosphate¹ (50.0 mg, 0.119 mmol) and 2,3,6,7-tetrahydro-1H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-9-carbaldehyde (35.9 mg, 0.179 mmol) were dissolved in acetic anhydride (1.00 mL) and heated at 105 °C for 15 min in a test tube. The reaction mixture was cooled to ambient temperature precipitating a solid. The solid was collected by filtration and rinsed with diethyl ether to yield 61.1 mg (85%) of a metallic green solid, m.p. 200-201 °C; ¹H NMR [500 MHz, CD₂Cl₂] δ 7.87 (d, 1 H, *J* = 17.5 Hz), 7.75 (s, 2 H), 7.70 (d, 2 H, *J* = 6.5 Hz), 7.38 (s, 2 H), 7.27 (t, 2 H, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 7.01 (d, 1 H, *J* = 18.5 Hz), 3.53 (t, 4 H, *J* = 5.5 Hz), 2.81 (t, 4 H, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 2.05 (t, 4 H, *J* = 6.0 Hz); λ_{max} (CH₂Cl₂) 794 nm (ε = 8.90 × 10⁴ M⁻¹cm⁻¹), 718 nm (ε = 5.60 × 10⁴ M⁻¹cm⁻¹). HRMS (ESI) *m/z* 458.1067 (calcd for C₂₇H₂₄NS₃: 458.1065).

ChPIR-820;**(E)-4-(2-(2,3,6,7-tetrahydro-1H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinolin-9-yl)vinyl)-2,6-di(thiophen-2-yl)selenopyrylium hexafluorophosphate**

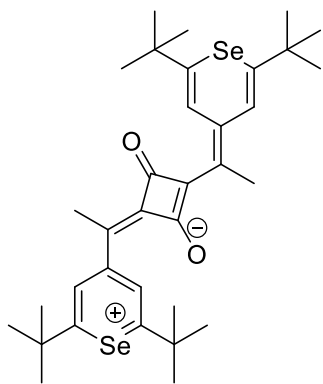
4-Methyl-2,6-di(thien-2-yl)selenopyrylium hexafluorophosphate (50.0 mg, 0.119 mmol) and 2,3,6,7-tetrahydro-1H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-9-carbaldehyde (35.9 mg, 0.179 mmol) were dissolved in acetic anhydride (1.00 mL) and heated at 105 °C for 5 min in a test tube. The reaction mixture was then cooled to ambient temperature precipitating a solid. The solid was collected by filtration and rinsed with diethyl ether to yield 44.5 mg (64%) of a metallic blue solid, m.p. 205-207 °C: $^1\text{H NMR}$ [500 MHz, CD_2Cl_2] δ 7.89 (d, 1 H, $J = 14.5$ Hz), 7.75 (s, 2 H), 7.68 (d, 2 H, $J = 3.5$ Hz), 7.40 (s, 2 H), 7.26 (t, 2 H, $J = 4.5$ Hz), 7.09 (d, 1 H, $J = 14.5$ Hz), 3.52 (t, 4 H, $J = 5.0$ Hz), 2.81 (t, 4 H, $J = 6.0$ Hz), 2.05 (t, 4 H, $J = 7.0$ Hz); λ_{max} (CH_2Cl_2) 820 nm ($\epsilon = 3.90 \times 10^4 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$), 718 nm $\epsilon = 2.90 \times 10^4 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$). HRMS (ESI) m/z 506.0517 (calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{24}\text{NS}_2^{80}\text{Se}$: 506.0510).

ChPIR-846;**(E)-2,6-di-tert-butyl-4-(3-(2,6-di(thien-2-yl)-4H-selenopyran-4-ylidene)prop-1-en-1-yl)telluropyrylium hexafluorophosphate**

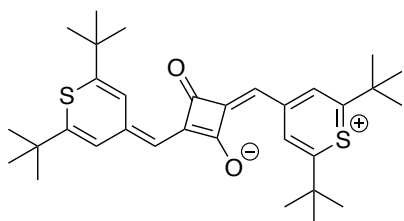
2,6-di-tert-butyl-4-methyltelluropyrylium hexafluorophosphate³ (44.1 mg, 0.095 mmol) and 2-(2,6-di(thien-2-yl)-4H-selenopyran-4-ylidene)acetaldehyde¹ (36.3 mg, 0.104 mmol) were dissolved in acetic anhydride (2.00 mL) and heated at 105 °C for 90 s in a test tube. The reaction mixture was then cooled to ambient temperature. Acetonitrile (1.0 mL) and diethyl ether (3.0 mL) were added precipitating a solid. The solid was collected by filtration and rinsed with diethyl ether to yield 16.0 mg (28%) of a metallic red solid, m.p. 211-213 °C: $^1\text{H NMR}$ [500 MHz, CD_2Cl_2] δ 8.59 (t, 1 H, $J = 13.5$ Hz), 7.85 (s, 2 H), 7.65 (d, 2 H, $J = 5.0$ Hz), 7.55 (s, 2 H), 7.23 (t, 2 H, $J = 4.5$ Hz), 6.79 (d, 1 H, $J = 13.5$ Hz), 6.62 (d, 1 H, $J = 13.5$ Hz), 1.53 (s, 18 H); λ_{max} (CH_2Cl_2) 846 nm ($\epsilon = 1.2 \times 10^5 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$). HRMS (ESI) m/z 653.0085 (calcd for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{31}\text{S}_2^{80}\text{Se}^{130}\text{Te}$: 653.0089).

CHPIR-846;**(E)-2-((2,6-di-tert-butyl-4H-selenopyran-4-ylidene)methyl)-4-((2,6-di-tert-butylselenopyrylium-4-yl)methylene)-3-oxocyclobut-1-en-1-olate⁴**

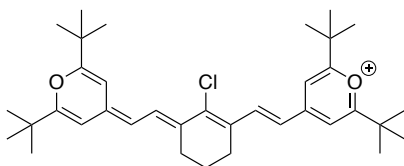
Synthetic procedure can be found in reference 4. Experimental data are in agreement with the literature.

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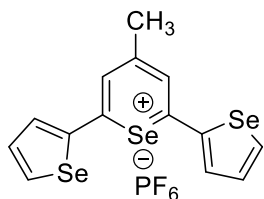
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ChPIR-814**(Z)-2-((2,6-di-tert-butyl-4H-thiopyran-4-ylidene)methyl)-4-((2,6-di-tert-butylthiopyrylium-4-yl)methylene)-3-oxocyclobut-1-en-1-olate**

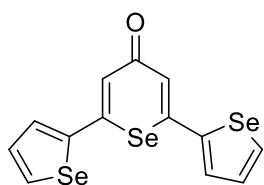
Synthetic procedure can be found in reference 4. Experimental data is in agreement with the literature.

ChPIR-868**2,6-di-tert-butyl-4-((E)-2-((E)-2-chloro-3-(2-(2,6-di-tert-butyl-4H-pyran-4-ylidene)ethylidene)cyclohex-1-en-1-yl)vinyl)pyrylium trifluoromethanesulfonate⁵**

Synthetic procedure can be found in reference 5. Experimental data is in agreement with the literature.

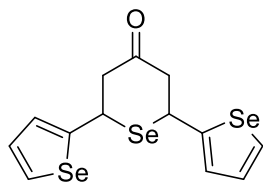
Synthesis of precursors:**4-methyl-2,6-di(selenophen-2-yl)selenopyrylium hexafluorophosphate**

2,6-di(selenophen-2-yl)-4H-selenopyran-4-one (0.120 g, 0.288 mmol) was dissolved in anhydrous THF (3.85 mL) in a flame-dried flask under nitrogen. A solution of 3.0 M MeMgBr (0.29 mL, 0.86 mmol) was added dropwise to the flask, and the mixture was allowed to stir for 1.5 h. The reaction mixture was then poured into a 10% aqueous HPF₆ solution (30 mL). The product was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 25 mL) and the combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was recrystallized from CH₃CN/ether to yield 95.2 mg (59%) of a bright red solid, mp >260 °C: ¹H NMR [500 MHz, CD₃CN] δ 8.82 (d, 2 H, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 8.19 (d, 2 H, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 8.12 (s, 2 H), 7.62-7.59 (m, 2 H), 2.69 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR [75.5 Hz, CD₃CN] δ 170.4, 167.5, 145.3, 144.6, 136.8, 134.1, 132.6, 27.2; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* 418.8341 (calcd for C₁₄H₁₁⁸⁰Se₃⁺: 418.8351).



2,6-di(selenophen-2-yl)-4H-selenopyran-4-one

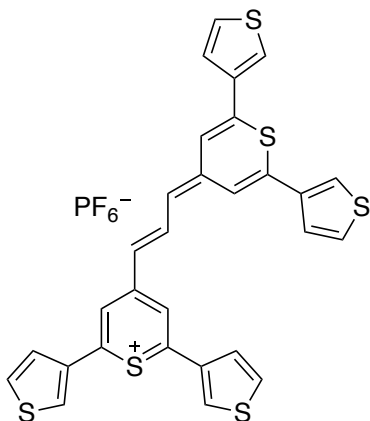
2,6-Di(selenophen-2-yl)tetrahydro-4H-selenopyran-4-one (0.730 g, 1.73 mmol) was dissolved in anhydrous toluene (15.0 mL) and added to a flame-dried flask under argon. 2,3-Dichloro-5,6-dicyano-1,4-benzoquinone (DDQ) (0.983 g, 4.33 mmol) and methane sulfonic acid (1 drop) were added in one portion. The reaction mixture was refluxed for 1.5 h and then cooled to ambient temperature. The reaction mixture was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (50 mL) and washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (50 mL). The organic layer was separated, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified on SiO₂ eluting with 20% EtOAc/CH₂Cl₂ (R_f 0.47). The product was recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/hexanes to yield 0.505 g (70%) of a yellow crystalline solid, m.p. 138-139 °C: ¹H NMR [500 MHz, CDCl₃] δ 8.19 (d, 2 H, *J* = 5.5 Hz), 7.62 (d, 2 H, *J* = 3.5 Hz), 7.38 (t, 2 H, *J* = 5 Hz), 7.15 (s, 1 H, *J* = 5 Hz); ¹³C NMR [75.5 Hz, CDCl₃] δ 184.2, 147.4, 145.4, 134.7, 130.8, 129.6, 126.7.



2,6-di(selenophen-2-yl)tetrahydro-4H-selenopyran-4-one

Selenium powder (0.314 g, 3.98 mmol), NaBH₄ (0.301 g, 7.95 mmol), H₂O (4.50 mL), *i*-PrOH (9.00 mL) and K₂HPO₄ (0.908 g, 3.98 mmol) were added to a flask that had been flushed with nitrogen for 15 min. The resulting mixture was stirred for 0.5 h. (1*E*,4*E*)-1,5-Di(selenophen-2-yl)penta-1,4-dien-3-one² (0.900 g, 2.65 mmol) dissolved in THF (4.50 mL) was added in one portion. The resulting mixture was stirred for 3 h and was subsequently diluted with H₂O (50 mL) and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 30 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated in vacuo. The crude product was purified on SiO₂ eluting with CH₂Cl₂ (R_f = 0.65) to yield 0.727 g (65%) of a yellow oil. ¹H NMR [500 MHz, CDCl₃] δ 7.96-7.94 (m, 2 H), 7.17-7.12 (m, 4 H), 4.96 (dd, 1 H, *J* = 3.0, 12.5 Hz), 4.92 (t, 1 H, *J* = 6.5 Hz), 3.27-3.23 (m, 2 H), 3.18 (t, 1 H, *J* = 13.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR [75.5 Hz, CDCl₃] δ 207.0, 206.7, 152.6, 150.6, 130.9, 130.7, 129.4, 129.2, 127.6, 126.9, 52.5, 50.9, 28.3, 36.2.

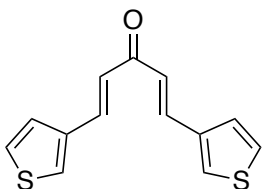
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(*E*)-4-(3-(2,6-di(thien-3-yl)-4H-thiopyran-4-ylidene)prop-1-en-1-yl)-2,6-di(thiophene-3-yl)thiopyrylium hexafluorophosphate

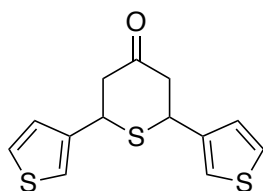
4-Methyl-2,6-di(thiophene-3-yl)thiopyrylium hexafluorophosphate (50.0 mg, 0.119 mmol) and 2-(2,6-di(thiophene-3-yl)-4H-thiopyran-4-ylidene)acetaldehyde (40 mg, 0.132 mmol) were dissolved in acetic anhydride (2.00 mL). The resulting mixture was heated at 105 °C for 15 min and was then cooled to ambient temperature precipitating a crystalline product. The product was collected by filtration and rinsed with diethyl ether to yield 77.6 mg (93 %) of a dark green solid, mp > 260 °C: ¹H NMR [500 MHz, CD₂Cl₂] δ 8.83 (m, 1 H), 8.71 (s, 1 H), 8.33 (m, 2 H), 8.19 (m, 2 H), 7.98 (m, 1 H), 7.89 (s, 1 H), 7.56 (m, 5 H), 7.38 (m, 5 H), 6.63 (d, 1 H, *J* = 13.0 Hz); λ_{max} (CH₂Cl₂) 779 nm (ε = 2.3 × 10⁵ M⁻¹ cm⁻¹), 698 nm (ε = 4.6 × 10⁴ M⁻¹ cm⁻¹), 428 nm (ε = 2.0 × 10⁴ M⁻¹ cm⁻¹); HRMS (ESI) *m/z* 558.9803 (calcd for C₂₉H₁₉S₆: 558.9806).

Novel precursors to ChPIR-779



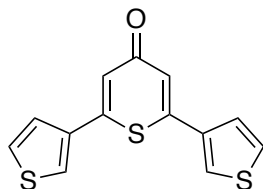
(1*E*,4*E*)-1,5-di(thien-3-yl)penta-1,4-dien-3-one

Thiophene-3-carbaldehyde (5.00 g, 44.6 mmol) and acetone (1.29 g, 22.3 mmol) were dissolved in EtOH (40 mL) and KOH (1.25 g, 22.3 mmol) dissolved in H₂O was added slowly. The resulting mixture was stirred for 3 h at ambient temperature and was then diluted with H₂O (100 mL). The products were extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 50 mL) and the combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/hexanes to yield 3.63 g (66%) of a bright yellow, crystalline solid, mp 137-138 °C: ¹H NMR [400 MHz, CDCl₃] δ 7.71 (d, 2 H, *J* = 16.0 Hz), 7.57 (s, 2 H), 7.37 (s, 4 H), 6.87 (d, 2 H, *J* = 16.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR [100 MHz, CDCl₃] δ 189.3, 138.1, 136.5, 128.8, 127.0, 125.2, 125.2; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* 247.0244 (calcd for C₁₃H₁₁OS₂: 247.0246).



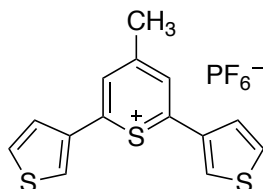
2,6-di(thien-3-yl)tetrahydro-4H-thiopyran-4-one

(1*E*,4*E*)-1,5-Di(thiophen-3-yl)penta-1,4-dien-3-one (2.00 g, 8.11 mmol) was dissolved in THF (12 mL). To this mixture *i*-PrOH (24 mL) and K₂HPO₄ (2.22 g, 9.74 mmol) dissolved in H₂O (12 mL) were added followed by the addition of NaHS (0.823 g, 8.94 mmol). The resulting mixture was stirred overnight at ambient temperature and was then diluted with H₂O (100 mL). The products were extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 50 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified on SiO₂ eluted with CH₂Cl₂ (R_f = 0.65) to yield 2.17 g (95%) of a light-yellow solid, mp 50-55 °C: ¹H NMR [400 MHz, CDCl₃] δ 7.31 (m, 2 H), 7.22-7.09 (m, 4 H), 4.46 (dd, 1 H, *J* = 3.4, 11.8 Hz), 4.33 (m, 1 H), 3.04 (m, 4 H); ¹³C NMR [100 MHz, CDCl₃] δ 207.9, 207.2, 140.9, 139.9, 127.3, 126.5, 126.4, 126.4, 122.1, 121.8, 50.34, 43.27, 40.16; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* 302.9942 (calcd for C₁₃H₁₂NaOS₃: 302.9943).



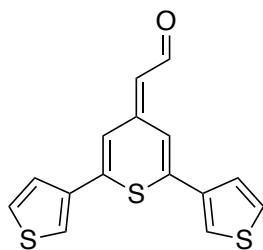
2,6-di(thien-3-yl)-4H-thiopyran-4-one

2,6-Di(thien-3-yl)tetrahydro-4*H*-thiopyran-4-one (1.50 g, 5.35 mmol) was dissolved in anhydrous toluene (46.8 mL) and placed in a flame-dried flask under nitrogen. 2,3-Dichloro-5,6-dicyano-1,4-benzoquinone (DDQ, 3.04 g, 13.4 mmol) and MeSO₃H (2 drops) were subsequently added. The resulting reaction mixture was heated at reflux for 1.5 h and then cooled to ambient temperature and diluted with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (50 mL). The product was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 50 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on SiO₂ eluted with 20% EtOAc/CH₂Cl₂ (R_f = 0.70), and recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/hexanes to yield 1.09 g (73%) of a brown solid, mp 130-134 °C: ¹H NMR [400 MHz, CDCl₃] δ 7.69 (d, 2 H, *J* = 1.2 Hz), 7.45 (m, 2 H), 7.36 (d, 2 H, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 7.16 (s, 2 H); ¹³C NMR [100 MHz, CDCl₃] δ 182.6, 146.5, 136.9, 127.8, 125.6, 125.2, 124.7; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* 276.9809 (calcd for C₁₃H₉OS₃: 276.9810).



4-methyl-2,6-di(thien-3-yl)thiopyrylium hexafluorophosphate

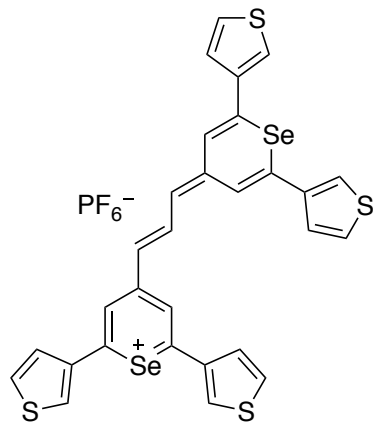
In a flame-dried flask under nitrogen, 2,6-di(thien-3-yl)-4*H*-thiopyran-4-one (1.00 g, 3.62 mmol) was dissolved in anhydrous THF (24.2 mL). A solution of 3.0 M MeMgBr (1.30 g, 10.9 mmol) was added dropwise and the resulting solution was stirred at ambient temperature for 2 h. The reaction mixture was poured into 10% aqueous HPF₆ (60 mL). The products were extracted with a 9:1 mixture of CH₂Cl₂ and CH₃CN (3 × 50 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over NaSO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was recrystallized from CH₃CN/ether to yield 506 mg (33%) of a brown solid, mp 163-167 °C: ¹H NMR [500 MHz, CD₃CN] δ 8.54 (s, 2 H), 8.45 (d, 2 H, *J* = 1.5 Hz), 7.79 (m, 2 H), 7.76 (d, 2 H, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 2.84 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR [100 MHz, CDCl₃] δ 164.7, 138.9, 131.7, 131.5, 130.5, 125.5, 109.5, 25.07; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* 275.0017 (calcd for C₁₄H₁₁S₃: 275.0017).



2-(2,6-di(thien-3-yl)-4H-thiopyran-4-ylidene)acetaldehyde

4-Methyl-2,6-di(thiophen-3-yl)thiopyrylium hexafluorophosphate (0.250 g, 0.595 mmol), *N,N*-dimethylthioformamide (DMF, 0.152 mL, 1.78 mmol), and acetic anhydride (2.50 mL) were combined in a round bottom flask and heated at 95 °C for 1.5 h. After the reaction mixture was cooled to ambient temperature, CH₃CN (2.0 mL) was added followed by the addition of ether. Chilling the resulting mixture overnight at -20 °C precipitated the iminium salt, which was isolated by filtration to yield a brown solid. The solid was hydrolyzed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (8.0 mL) in CH₃CN (8.0 mL) heated at reflux for 0.5 h. The solution was cooled to ambient temperature and diluted with H₂O (20 mL). The product was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 35 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified on SiO₂ eluted with 10% EtOAc/CH₂Cl₂ eluent (R_f = 0.50), and recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/hexanes to yield 0.059 g (33%) of a dark green/brown solid, mp 104-108 °C: ¹H NMR [400 MHz, CD₂Cl₂] δ 9.95 (d, 1 H, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 8.27 (s, 1 H), 7.67 (d, 2 H, *J* = 16.0 Hz), 7.42 (m, 4 H), 6.95 (s, 1 H), 5.68 (d, 1 H, *J* = 6.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR [100 MHz, CD₂Cl₂] δ 187.8, 127.3, 125.1, 124.8, 123.9, 123.6, 122.9, 117.9, 117.1; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* 302.9967 (calcd for C₁₅H₁₁OS₃: 302.9967).

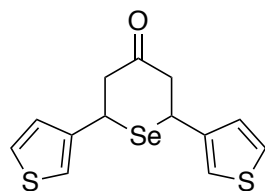
ChPIR-820₃



(E)-4-(3-(2,6-di(thien-3-yl)-4*H*-selenopyran-4-ylidene)prop-1-en-yl)-2,6-di(thiophene-3-yl)selenopyrylium hexafluorophosphate

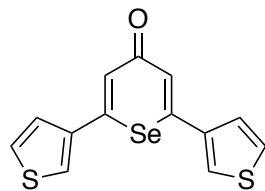
4-Methyl-2,6-di(thien-3-yl)selenopyrylium hexafluorophosphate (50.0 mg, 0.107 mmol) and 2-(2,6-di(thien-3-yl)-4*H*-selenopyran-4-ylidene)acetaldehyde (40.0 mg, 0.114 mmol) in acetic anhydride (1.76 mL) were heated at 105 °C for 15 min. The reaction mixture was cooled to ambient temperature precipitating a crystalline solid. The solid was collected by filtered and rinsed with diethyl ether to yield 74.6 mg (87 %) of a dark green/brown solid, mp > 260 °C: ¹H NMR [500 MHz, CD₂Cl₂] δ 8.77 (m, 1 H), 8.49 (m, 1 H), 8.35 (s, 1 H), 8.11 (s, 1 H), 7.98 (m, 2 H), 7.71 (d, 1 H, *J* = 12.5 Hz), 7.38 (m, 11 H), 6.79 (d, 1 H, *J* = 12.5 Hz); λ_{max} (CH₂Cl₂) 807 nm (ε = 1.6 × 10⁵ M⁻¹ cm⁻¹), 453 nm (ε = 1.3 × 10⁴ M⁻¹ cm⁻¹). HRMS (ESI) *m/z* 654.8713 (calcd for C₂₉H₁₉S₄⁸⁰Se₂: 654.8695).

Novel precursors to ChPIR-820₃



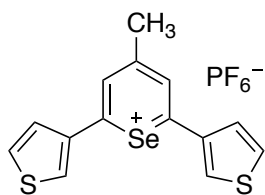
2,6-di(thien-3-yl)tetrahydro-4*H*-selenopyran-4-one

Selenium powder (0.962 g, 12.2 mmol), NaBH₄ (0.922 g, 24.4 mmol), K₂HPO₄ (2.78 g, 12.2 mmol), H₂O (14 mL), and *i*-PrOH (28 mL) were combined in a flask that had been flushed with nitrogen and stirred until Na₂Se formed. (1*E*,4*E*)-1,5-Di(thiophen-3-yl)penta-1,4-dien-3-one (2.00 g, 8.12 mmol) was dissolved in THF (14 mL) and added slowly to the other reagents. The resulting mixture was stirred at ambient temperature for 2 h and was then diluted with H₂O (100 mL). Products were extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (4 × 25 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified on SiO₂ eluted with CH₂Cl₂ (R_f = 0.70) to yield 2.80 g (95 %) of a yellow/orange product, mp 99-107 °C: ¹H NMR [400 MHz, CDCl₃] δ 7.30 (m, 2 H), 7.18 (d, 1 H, *J* = 1.6 Hz), 7.09 (m, 3 H), 4.70 (dd, 1 H, *J* = 3.8, 11.4 Hz), 4.56 (m, 1 H), 3.19 (m, 4 H); ¹³C NMR [100 MHz, CDCl₃] δ 208.2, 141.9, 140.9, 127.5, 126.6, 126.3, 121.4, 121.1, 50.39, 49.43, 35.69, 33.28; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* 350.9388 (calcd for C₁₃H₁₂NaOS₂⁸⁰Se: 350.9387).



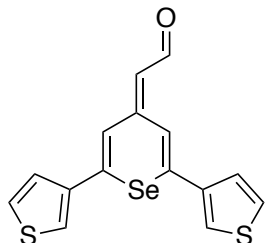
2,6-di(thien-3-yl)-4*H*-selenopyran-4-one

2,6-Di(thien-3-yl)tetrahydro-4*H*-selenopyran-4-one (2.00 g, 6.11 mmol) was dissolved in anhydrous toluene (53.5 mL) and placed in a flame-dried flask under nitrogen. DDQ (3.47 g, 15.3 mmol) and MeSO₃H (2 drops) were subsequently added and the resulting mixture was heated at reflux for 1.5 h and then cooled to ambient temperature and diluted with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (50 mL). The product was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 35 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on SiO₂ eluted with a 20% EtOAc/CH₂Cl₂ (R_f = 0.50), and recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/hexanes to yield 0.96 g (49%) of a brown crystalline solid, mp 150-156 °C: ¹H NMR [400 MHz, CDCl₃] δ 7.66 (t, 2 H, *J* = 1.5 Hz), 7.48 (t, 3 H, *J* = 2.8, 4.4 Hz), 7.36 (d, 3 H, *J* = 4.8 Hz); ¹³C NMR [100 MHz, CDCl₃] δ 184.7, 147.9, 138.8, 127.8, 126.8, 125.2, 124.6; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* 324.9256 (calcd for C₁₃H₉OS₂⁸⁰Se: 324.9255).



4-methyl-2,6-di(thien-3-yl)selenopyrylium hexafluorophosphate

In a flame-dried flask under nitrogen, 2,6-di(thien-3-yl)-4*H*-selenopyran-4-one (0.959 g, 2.97 mmol) was dissolved in anhydrous THF (25.7 mL). A solution of 3.0 M MeMgBr (1.24 g, 10.4 mmol) was added dropwise and the resulting solution was stirred at ambient temperature for 2 h. The reaction mixture was poured into 10% aqueous HPF₆ (60 mL) and the products were extracted with a 9:1 mixture of CH₂Cl₂ and CH₃CN (3 × 50 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over NaSO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was recrystallized from CH₃CN/ether to yield 1.06 g (77%) of a pink/red solid, mp >260 °C: ¹H NMR [400 MHz, CD₃CN] δ 8.45 (s, 2 H), 8.41 (m, 2 H), 7.79 (m, 2 H), 7.71 (dd, 2 H, *J* = 1.4, 5.4 Hz), 2.75 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR [100 MHz, CDCl₃] δ 166.9, 137.6, 131.8, 131.3, 130.7, 125.6, 110.0, 26.49; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* 322.9462 (calcd for C₁₄H₁₁S₂⁸⁰Se: 322.9462).



2-(2,6-di(thien-3-yl)-4*H*-selenopyran-4-ylidene)acetaldehyde

4-Methyl-2,6-di(thiophen-3-yl)selenopyrylium hexafluorophosphate (0.500 g, 1.07 mmol), DMF (0.286 g, 3.21 mmol), and acetic anhydride (5.0 mL) were combined in a round bottom flask and heated at 95 °C for 1.5 h. After the reaction mixture was cooled to ambient temperature, CH₃CN (1.0 mL) was added followed by the addition of ether. Chilling the resulting mixture overnight at -20 °C precipitated the iminium salt, which was isolated by filtration to yield a brown solid. The solid was hydrolyzed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (16 mL) in CH₃CN (16 mL) heated at reflux for 1.5 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to ambient temperature and diluted with H₂O (40 mL). The products were extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (4 × 35 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified on SiO₂ eluted with 10% EtOAc/CH₂Cl₂ eluent (*R_f* = 0.49), and recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/hexanes to yield 0.157 g (42%) of a brown crystalline solid, mp 99-108 °C: ¹H NMR [500 MHz, CDCl₃] δ 10.1 (d, 1 H, *J* = 5.5 Hz), 8.37 (s, 1 H), 7.59 (s, 1 H), 7.54 (s, 1 H), 7.44 (s, 2 H), 7.39 (d, 1 H, *J* = 4.5 Hz), 7.33 (d, 1 H, *J* = 4.5 Hz), 6.99 (s, 1 H), 5.86 (d, 1 H, *J* = 6.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR [100 MHz, CDCl₃] δ 188.7, 148.3, 139.8, 139.8, 139.5, 138.9, 127.4, 127.3, 125.2, 124.9, 124.6, 123.7, 123.4, 120.4, 119.5; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* 350.9413 (calcd for C₁₅H₁₁OS₂⁸⁰Se: 350.9411).

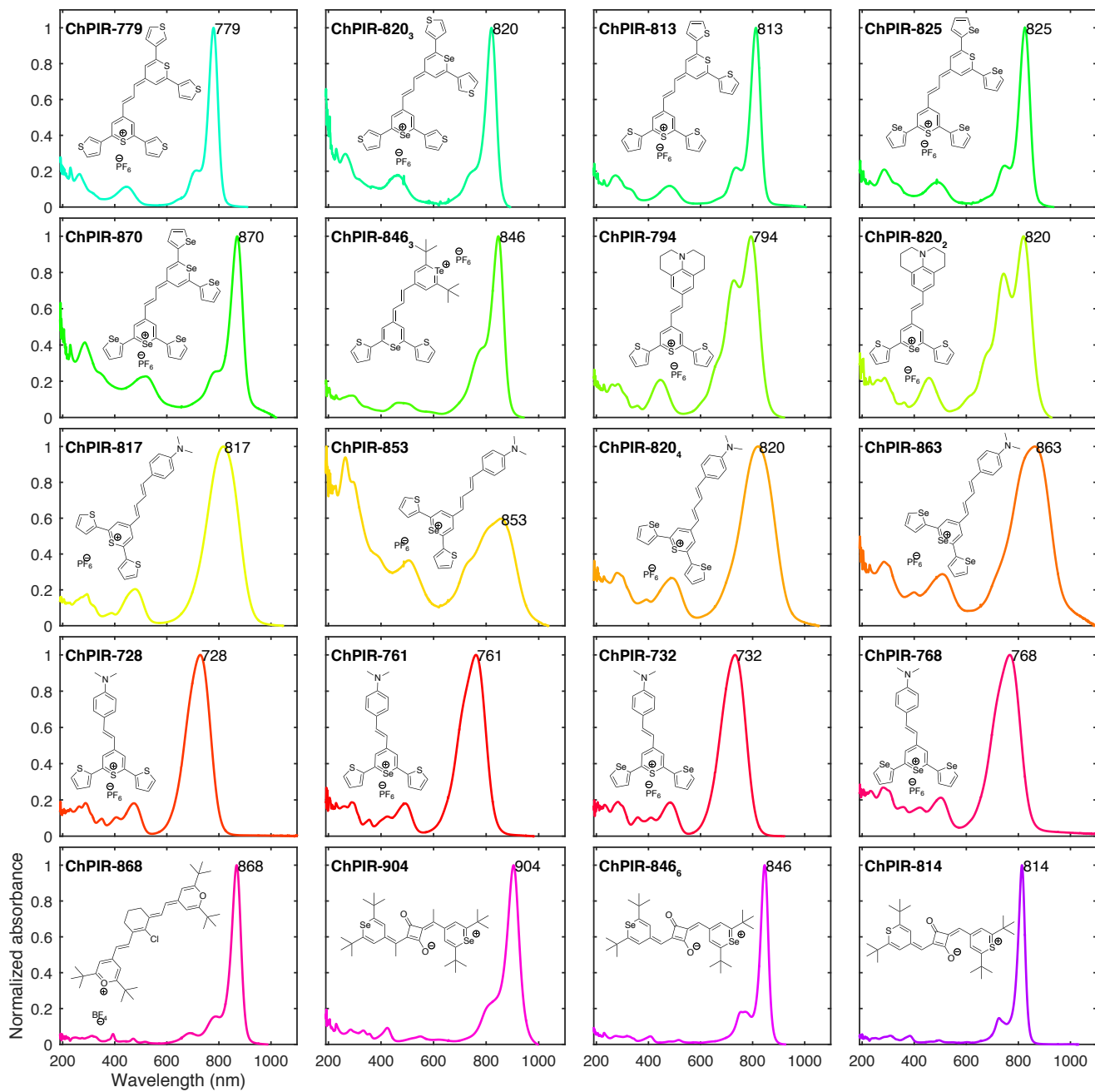


Figure S1. ChPIR dyes and their absorbance spectra in CH_2Cl_2 .

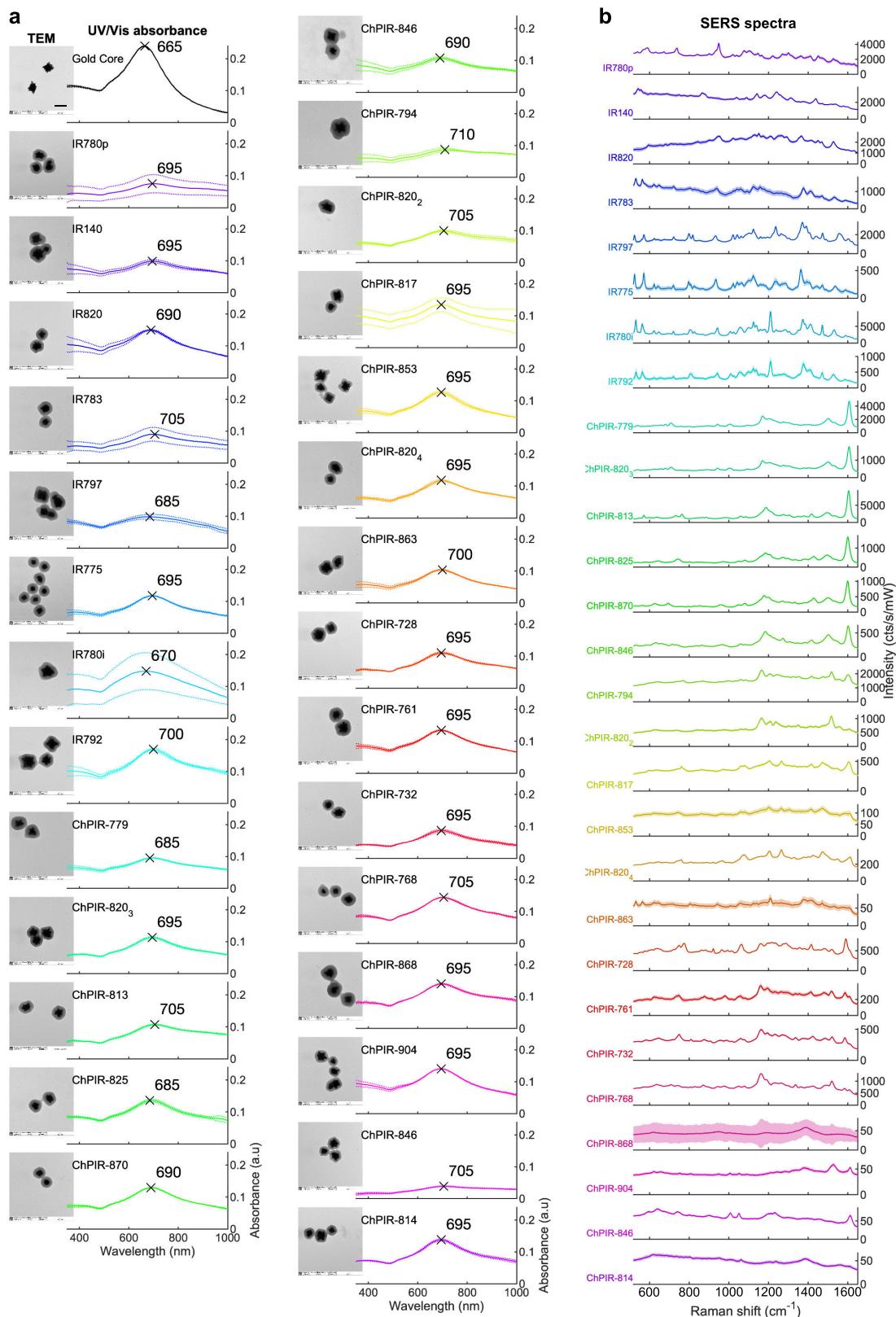


Fig. S2. SERRS nanoparticles synthesized using commercial IR and ChPIR dyes as reporters. (a) TEM images show the formation of a continuous silica shell around the gold nanostars core. Scale bars correspond to 100 nm. It is seen that absorbance is dominated by the plasmonic nanoparticle, not the IR dye. Solid lines indicate the mean absorbance from 3 independent silication reactions and dotted lines indicate standard deviations. High deviation indicates that the reaction is prone to aggregation. Low mean absorbance corresponds to low nanoprobe yield. (b) The Raman signature of each nanoparticle corresponds to the adsorbed reporter dye. Mean spectra (line) and standard deviations (shading) are shown for 98-point scans. High intensities are observed for dyes with absorbance near 785 nm, and low signals for dyes absorbing in higher wavelengths.

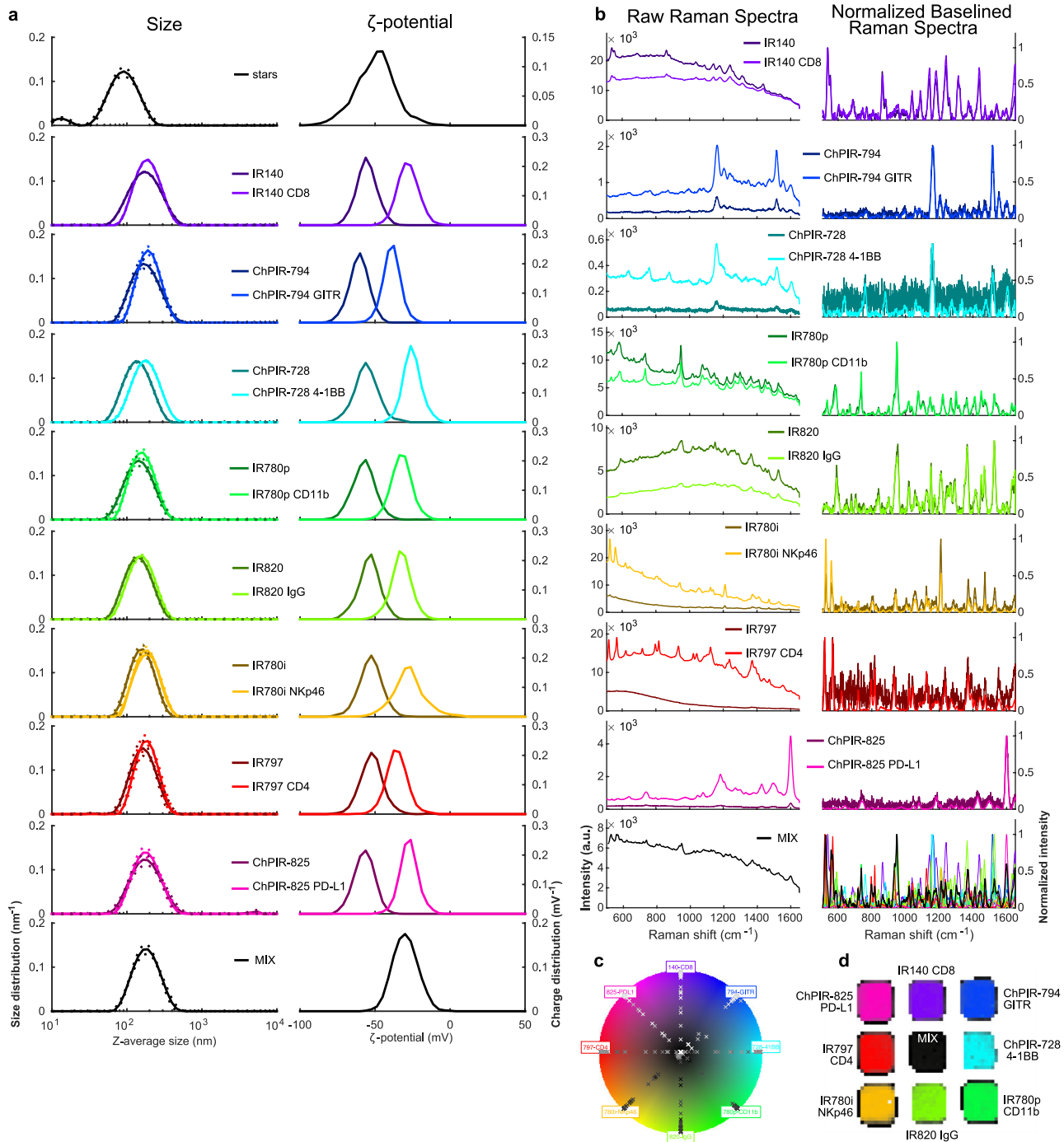


Fig. S3. (a) Physical characterization (size, left; ζ -potential, right) of SERRS nanoprobe flavors at different stages of synthesis: solid lines represent mean and dotted lines standard deviation (n=3). Top row: gold nanostars prior to silication. Rows 2 to 9: 8 different flavors, each consisting of a distinct Raman reporter dye and a unique antibody. Row 10: mixture of the 8 flavors, as prepared for injections. (b) Raw spectra from nanoparticles before and after antibody conjugation. Intensity differences are due to different concentrations; the concentration of the nanoparticles was adjusted after conjugation, the mean intensity from point spectra is shown (n=98). After baseline correction and normalization, the spectra appear identical. The spectrum from the injected mix (black, bottom row) exhibits peaks from all constituent nanoparticles. (c) Colorspace projection of the 8 nanoprobe flavors showing the colors assigned to individual spectra after nn-LS unmixing. Spectra from pure populations are projected closer to the circumference and assigned a saturated color. Spectra from the mixed sample are weighted equally by all basis vectors, and as such they are projected to the center. (d) Multiplexed image from a 1536-well plate, each pixel is colored based on the projection of its spectrum after nn-LS using the reference spectra above.

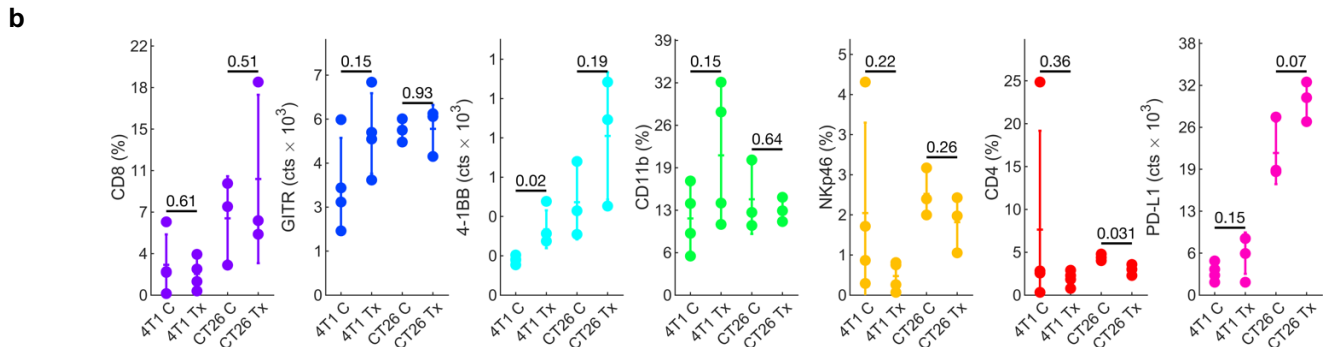
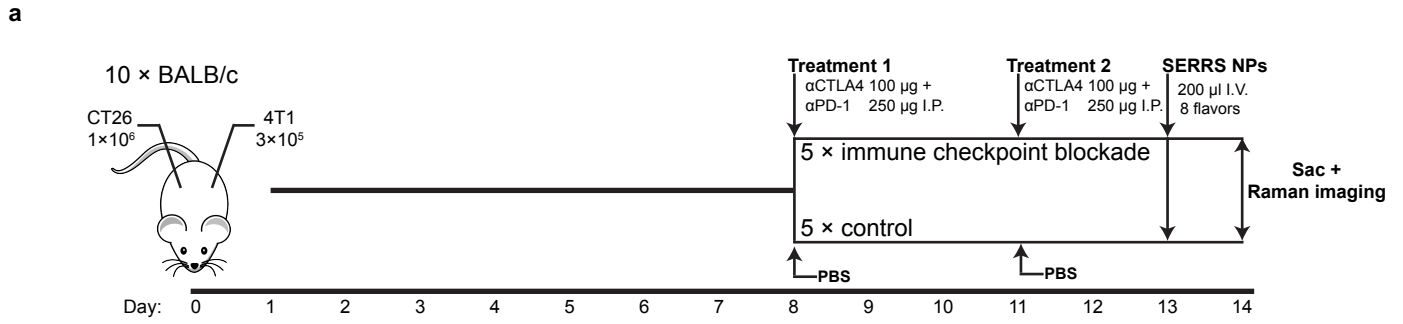


Fig. S4 Mouse model and treatment. (a) Bilateral subcutaneous flank syngeneic mouse model of immune checkpoint blockade for 8-plex imaging. (b) Flow cytometry analysis of the selected markers showed early, but not statistically significant, tumor treatment response.

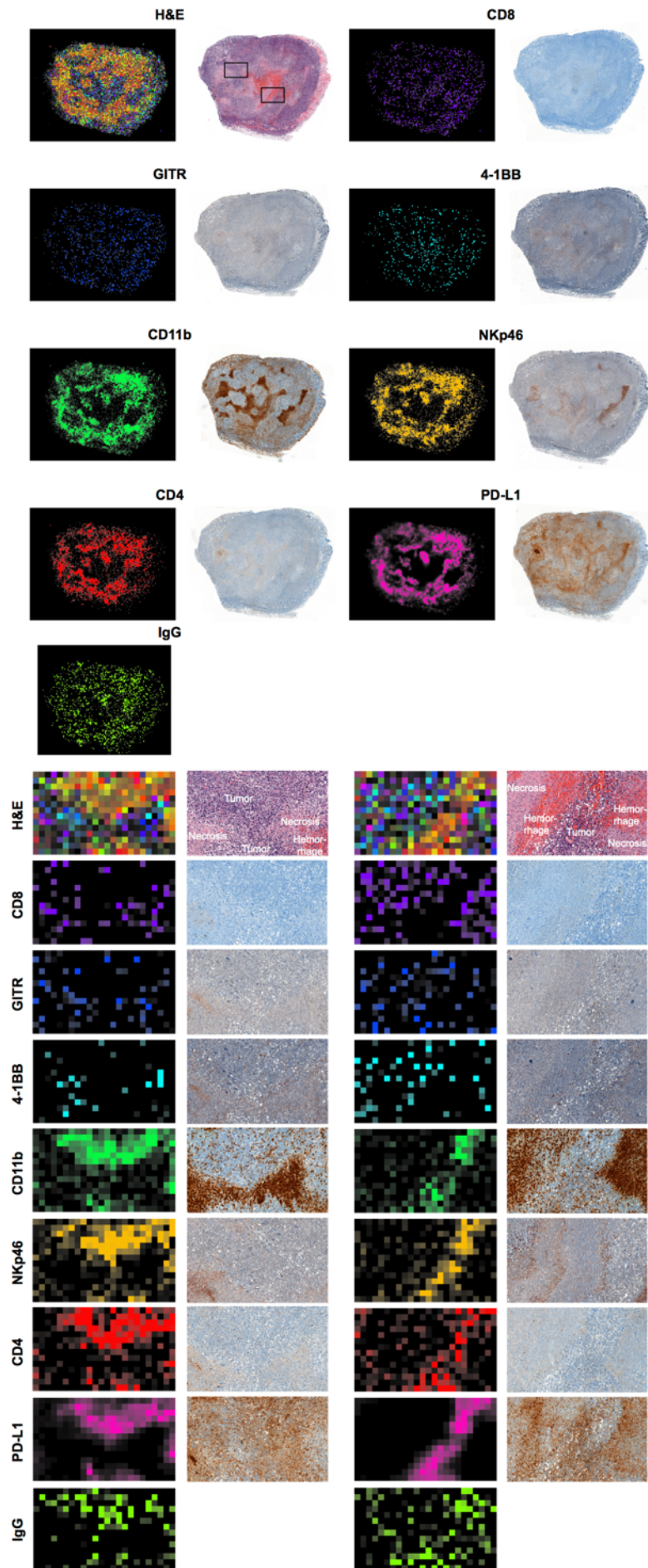


Fig. S5. Histological validation. Top: Full-tumor images show the distribution of each target as determined using Raman imaging and IHC. Raman images are derived from the same sample, split into channels, and mathematically assigned to pseudo color. IHC images were taken from different sections of the tumor, and exhibit variability of staining intensity dependent of antibody affinity and target abundance.

Bottom: Raman RadiCol images and histological images of the same areas, indicated by boxes on the the H&E image of the whole tumor (top left). The IHC images exhibit variable results as some antibodies provide non-uniform contrast: PD-L1, GITR show very high background; and CD11b demonstrates non-specific signal due to staining of necrotic regions. The Raman images provide high net signal from areas that were identified (via H&E stain) to contain viable tumor, and low net signal from areas of necrosis and hematoma. Within the viable tumor regions, the Raman images recapitulate the expression profile of the IHC images, i.e., high signals for CD11b, PD-L1, NKp46, and low signals for the remaining biomarkers.

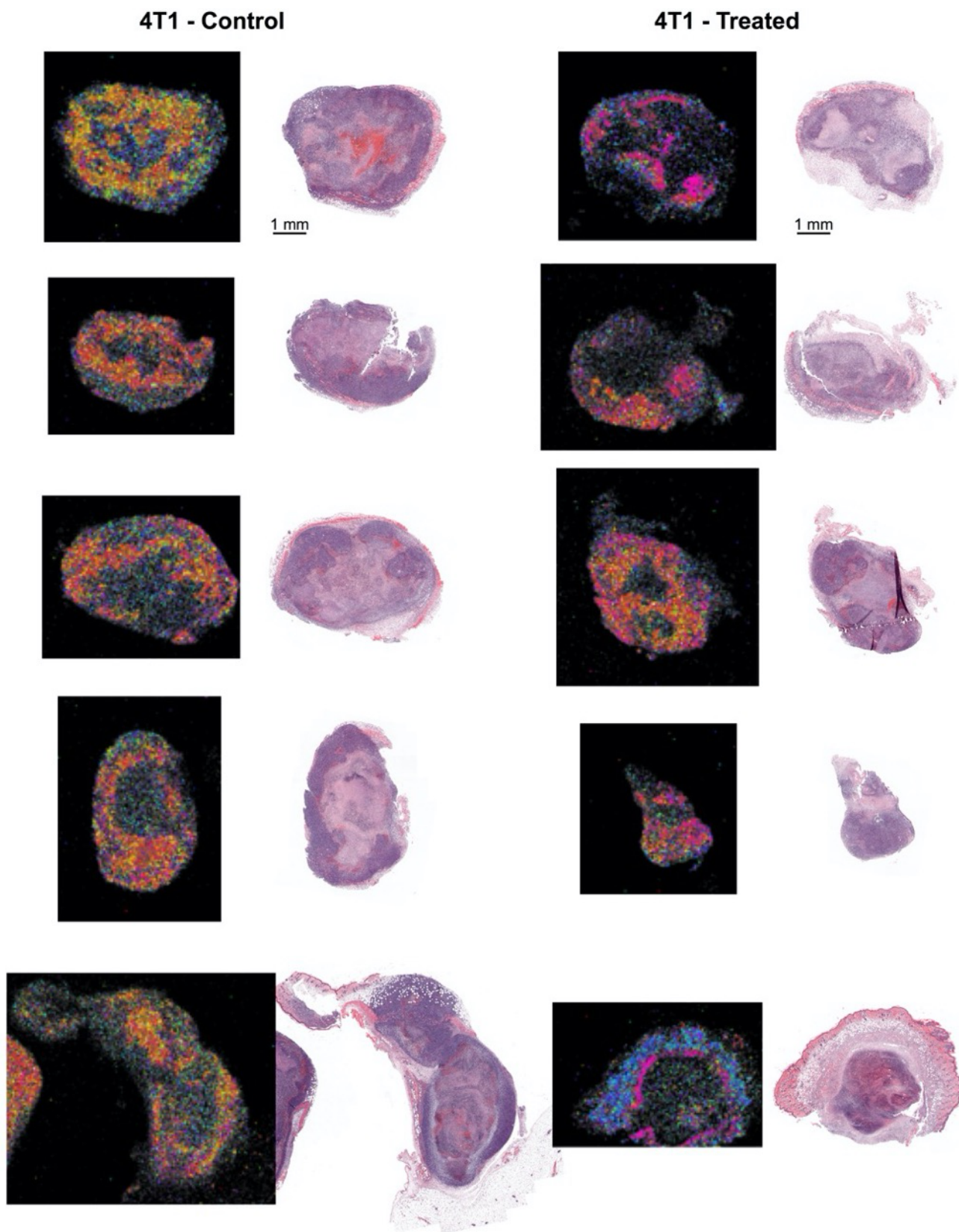


Fig. S6. RadiCol images vs. H&E for 4T1 tumors. Comparison of RadiCol Raman images and H&E stained sections for murine tumors from 4T1-tumor-bearing animals receiving immune checkpoint blockade (right) or sham treatment (left).

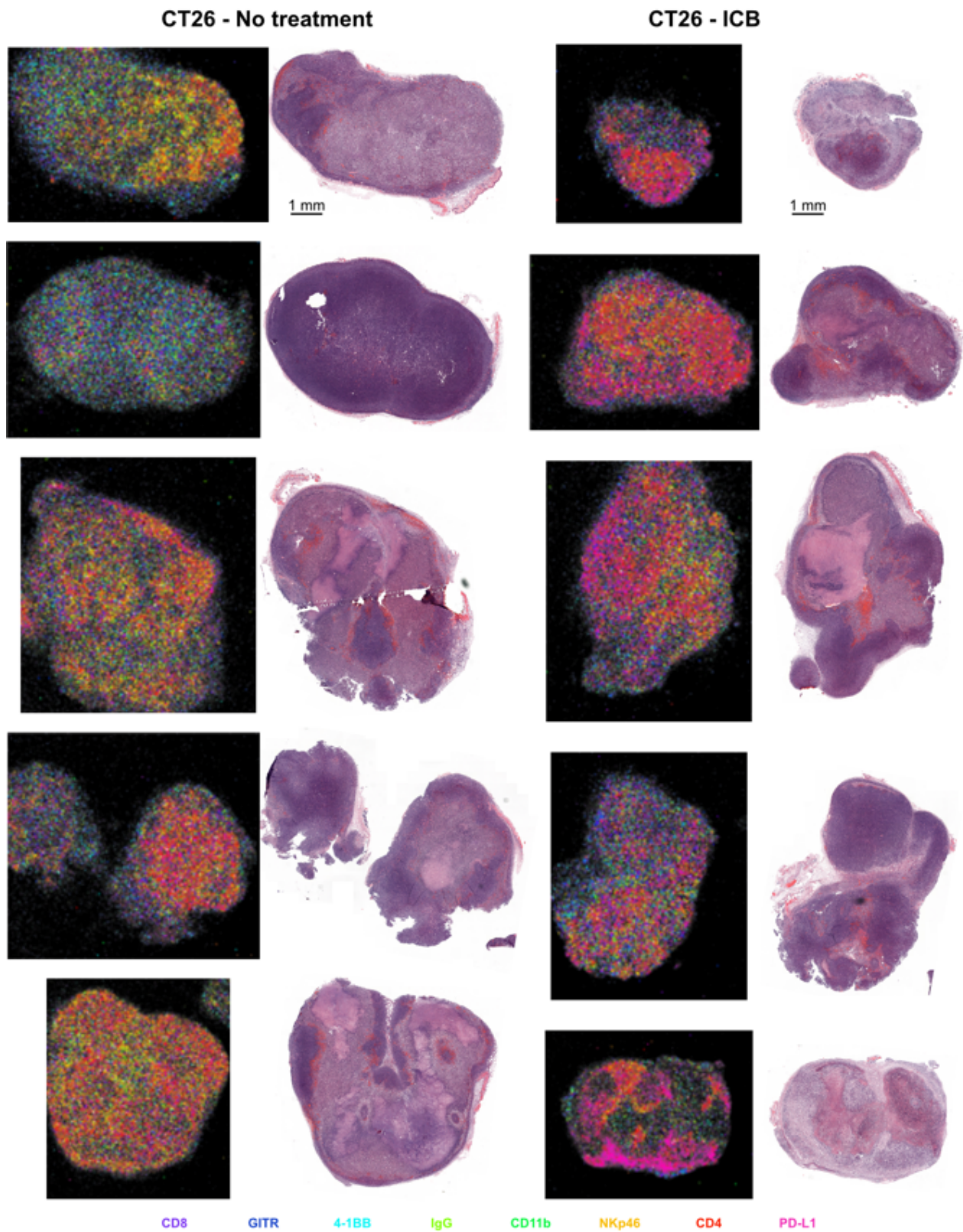


Fig. S7. RadiCol images vs. H&E for CT26 tumors. Comparison of RadiCol Raman images and H&E stained sections for murine tumors from CT26-tumor-bearing animals receiving immune checkpoint blockade (right) or sham treatment (left).

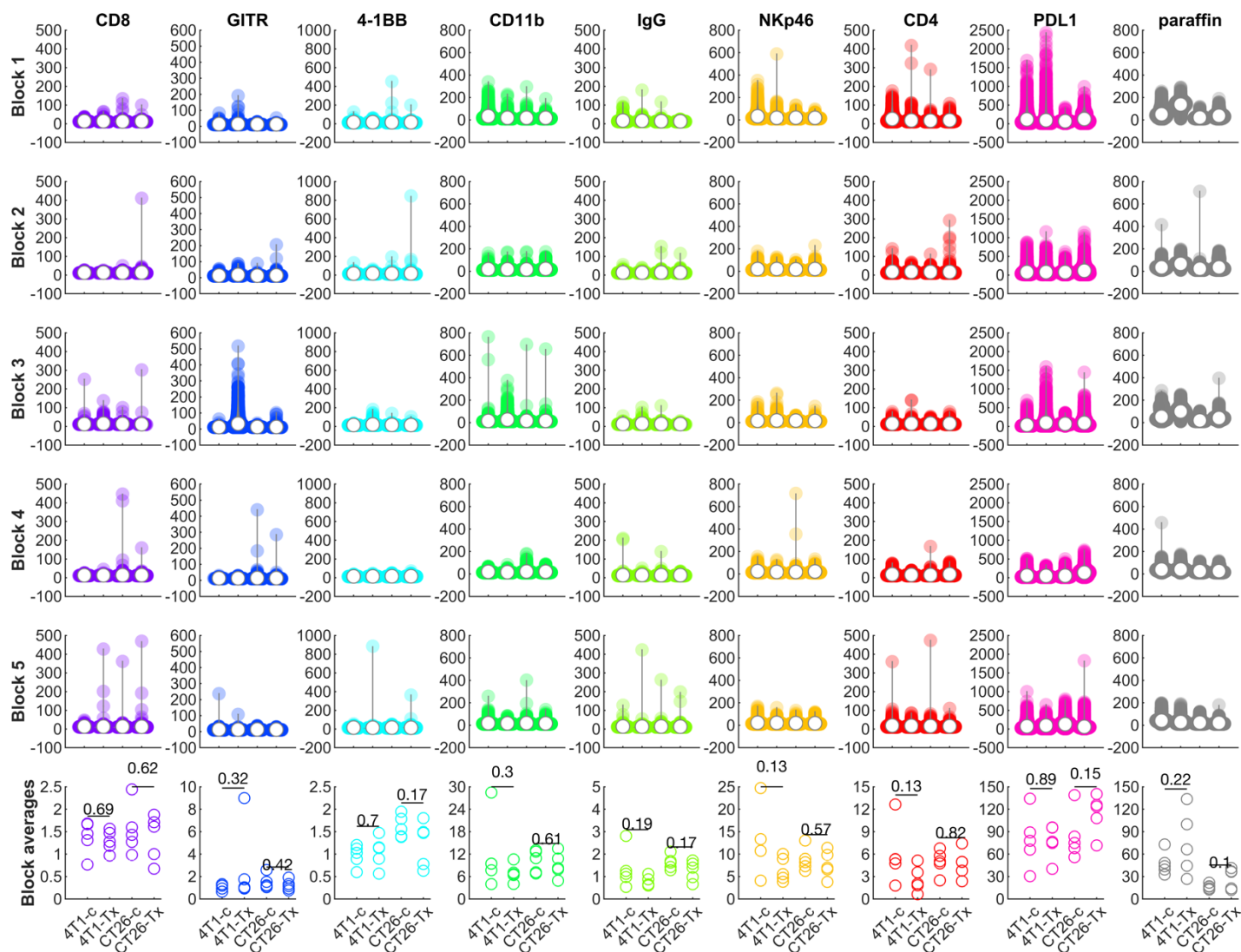


Fig. S8. Pixel wise score distributions of the 8 markers. Each row corresponds to a single paraffin block, containing four tumors from 2 mice (namely a 4T1 and a CT26 tumor from a mouse receiving ICB therapy, and a 4T1 and a CT26 tumor from a mouse receiving sham treatment). White circles show the mean score for each tumor. The plots appear in the order corresponding to the images from Figs. S6-S7. No statistically significant trends are evident with pixel-wise analysis of the individual markers.

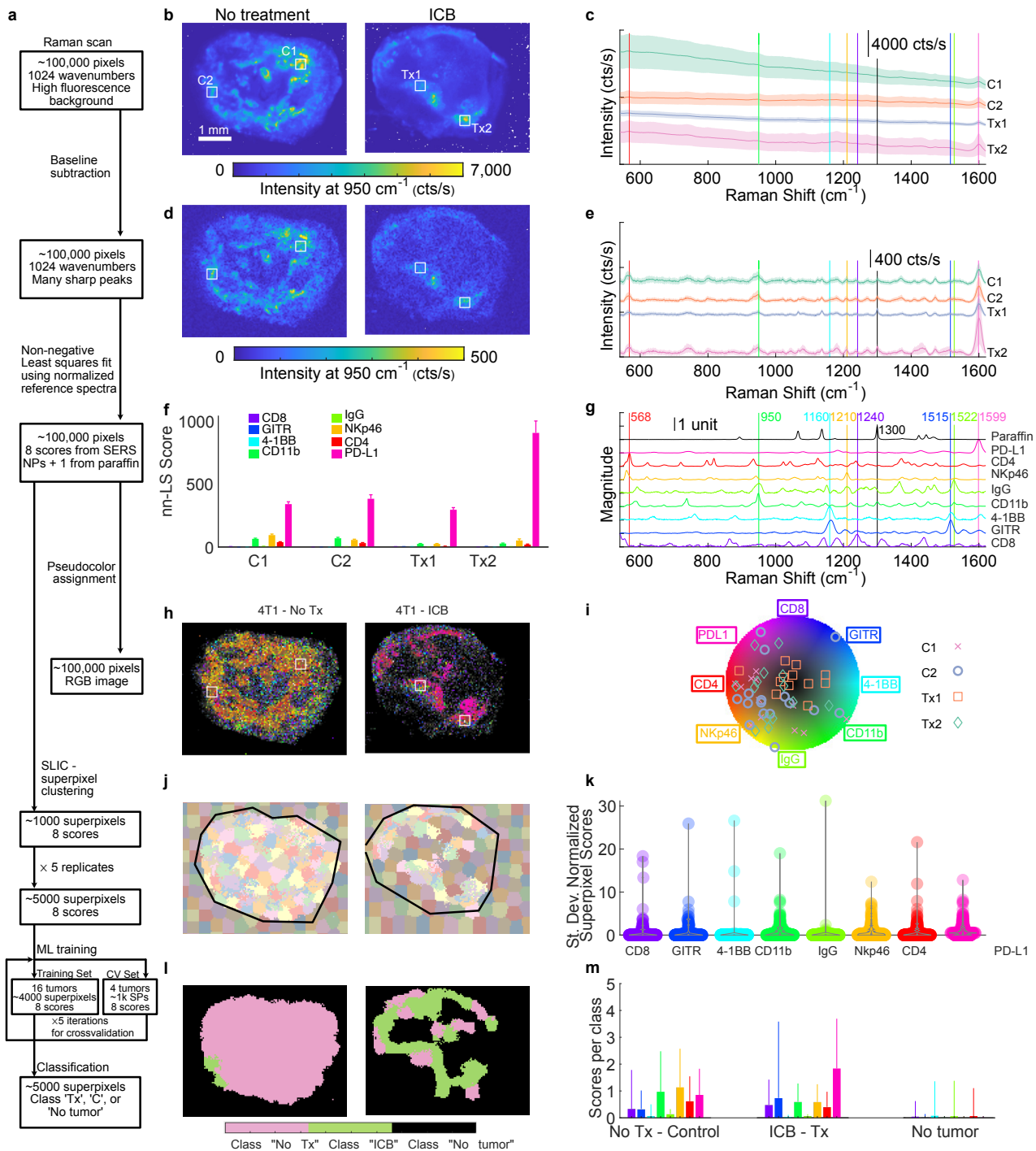


Figure S9. Spectral analysis leading to image segmentation and ML. (a) Data flow for multiplexed image visualization and ML model calibration. (b) A Raman image showing only one wavenumber provides little information. (c) Raw spectra acquired from indicated areas have a high fluorescence background. (d) Images produced after removal of fluorescence baseline. (e) Raman spectra from the same areas after baseline subtraction. (f) Quantitative marker profiles for the indicated areas obtained after nn-LS fit of the spectra in (e). (g) Reference spectra used for spectral unmixing via nn-LS. (h) Multiplexed molecular maps of the samples. (i) Projections of a small number of pixels from each of the 4 indicated areas are shown, indicating distinct distributions of markers for each sample. (j) Superpixel segmentation groups neighboring pixels with the same biomarker profile. Superpixel compactness is controlled by the parameter a . In this example $a=1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^{-2}$ is too small yielding diffuse superpixels). (k) Mean superpixel scores on the 8 biomarkers. Each biomarker was normalized to unit variance. (l) SML model classifying the superpixels into No Treatment “No Tx”, treatment “ICB”, and “No tumor” areas. (m) Characteristic (mean) biomarker expression of superpixels assigned to each group.

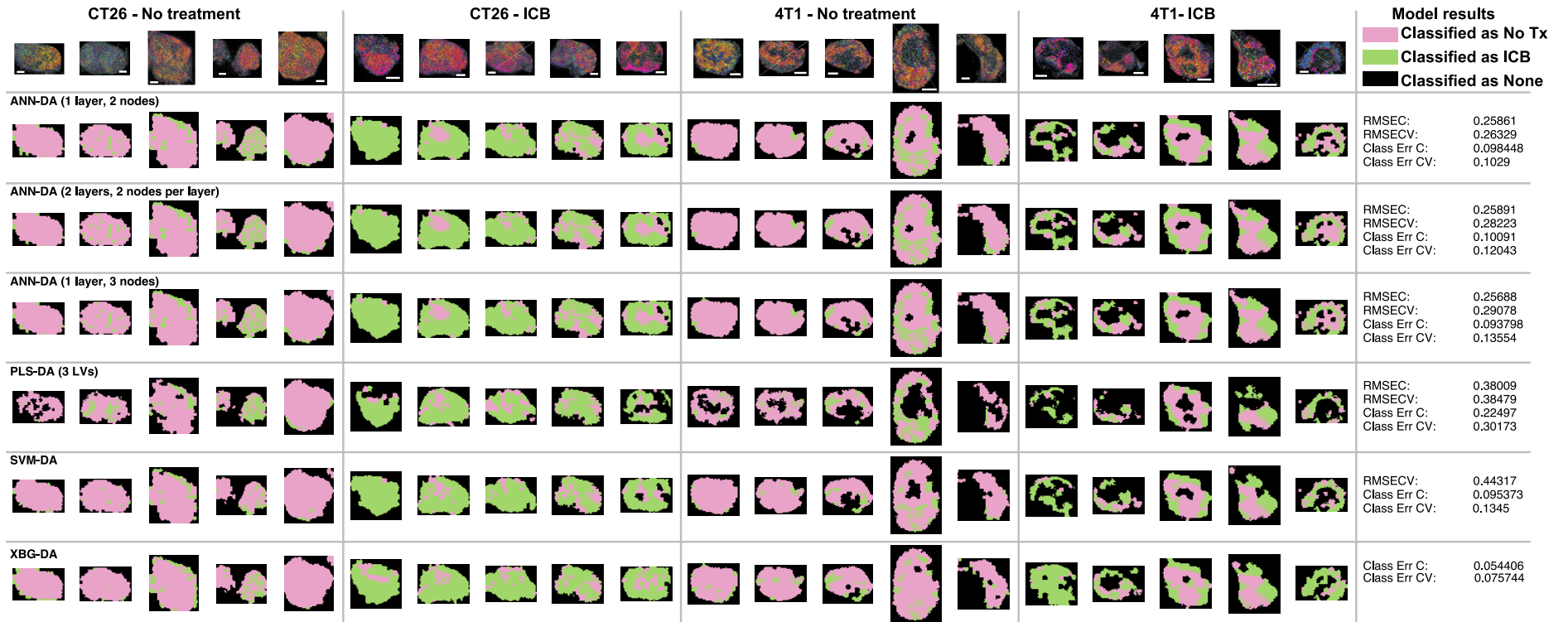


Figure S10. Supervised Machine Learning assessment. Several SML methods were used to classify the superpixels into “Treated” (ICB), “Not treated” (No Tx), and “No tumor” (None) groups. The methods performed comparably, classifying most superpixels correctly, independent of the tumor type (CT26 or 4T1). Areas that appear misclassified demonstrate uptake characteristics more similar to the other group, or low signal leading to a ‘None’ classification. This stems from intratumoral variations and may signify tumor areas with increased or suppressed immune activity. ANN, artificial neural network; DA, discriminant analysis; PLS, partial least squares; LV, latent variable; SVM, support vector machines; XBG, boosted gradient trees.

Table S1. Commercial IR and custom ChPIR dyes used for SERS nanoprobe synthesis

Dye name	Empirical formula	Counterion	Total MW	Volume for synthesis (μ l dye 20 mM in DMF /ml of IPA)
IR780p	C ₃₇ H ₃₇ ClN ₂ O ₄	ClO ₄	609.15	6
IR140	C ₃₉ H ₃₄ Cl ₃ N ₃ O ₄ S ₂	ClO ₄	779.19	6
IR820	C ₄₆ H ₅₀ ClN ₂ NaO ₆ S ₂	N/A	849.47	6
IR783	C ₃₈ H ₄₆ ClN ₂ NaO ₆ S ₂	N/A	749.35	8
IR797	C ₃₁ H ₃₄ Cl ₂ N ₂	Cl	505.52	1.5
IR775	C ₃₂ H ₃₆ Cl ₂ N ₂	Cl	519.55	2
IR780i	C ₃₆ H ₄₄ ClIN ₂	I	667.11	1.5
IR792	C ₄₂ H ₄₉ ClN ₂ O ₄ S	ClO ₄	713.37	6
ChPIR-779	C ₂₉ H ₁₉ S ₆	PF ₆	704.79	2
ChPIR-820 ₃	C ₂₉ H ₁₉ S ₄ Se ₂	PF ₆	798.59	2
ChPIR-813	C ₂₉ H ₁₉ S ₆	PF ₆	704.79	1
ChPIR-825	C ₂₉ H ₁₉ S ₂ Se ₄	PF ₆	892.39	0.25
ChPIR-870	C ₂₉ H ₁₉ Se ₆	PF ₆	986.19	0.5
ChPIR-846 ₃	C ₂₉ H ₁₉ S ₂ SeTe	PF ₆	795.21	6
ChPIR-794	C ₂₇ H ₂₄ NS ₃	PF ₆	603.64	6
ChPIR-820 ₂	C ₂₇ H ₂₄ NS ₂ Se	PF ₆	650.54	2
ChPIR-817	C ₂₅ H ₂₂ NS ₃	PF ₆	577.60	2
ChPIR-853	C ₂₅ H ₂₂ NS ₂ Se	PF ₆	624.50	2
ChPIR-820 ₄	C ₂₅ H ₂₂ NSSe ₂	PF ₆	671.40	1
ChPIR-863	C ₂₅ H ₂₂ NSe ₃	PF ₆	718.30	0.5
ChPIR-728	C ₂₃ H ₂₀ NS ₃	PF ₆	551.56	10
ChPIR-761	C ₂₃ H ₂₀ NS ₂ Se	PF ₆	598.46	10
ChPIR-732	C ₂₃ H ₂₀ NSSe ₂	PF ₆	645.36	1
ChPIR-768	C ₂₃ H ₂₀ NSe ₃	PF ₆	692.26	2
ChPIR-868	C ₃₆ H ₅₀ ClO ₂	BF ₄	695.20	6
ChPIR-904	C ₃₄ H ₄₆ O ₂ Se ₂	N/A	644.66	30
ChPIR-846 ₅	C ₃₂ H ₄₂ O ₂ Se ₂	N/A	616.61	6
ChPIR-814	C ₃₂ H ₄₂ O ₂ S ₂	N/A	522.81	30

Table S2. Antibodies used for nanoprobe functionalization and immunohistochemical validation

Target	Raman reporter	NP functionalization		IHC validation			
		Clone	Supplier	Host species	Supplier	Product number	Concentration (μ g/ml)
CD8	IR140	2.43	BioXCell	Rabbit	Cell Signal	98941	2.4
GITR	ChPIR-794	DTA-1	BioXCell	Goat	R&D systems	AF524	1
4-1BB	ChPIR-728	3H3	BioXCell	Goat	R&D systems	AF937	0.5
CD11b	IR780p	M1/70	BioXCell	Rabbit	AbCam	Ab133357	1
NKp46	IR820	29A1.4	eBioscience	Goat	R&D systems	AF2225	2
CD4	IR797	YTS177	BioXCell	Goat	R&D systems	AF554	2
PD-L1	ChPIR-825	B7-H1	eBioscience	Goat	R&D systems	AF1019	2
IgG control	IR820	RG7/11.1	BioXCell	Goat	Santa Cruz	SC2028	2 \times [primary]
				Rabbit	Invitrogen	10500C	2 \times [primary]

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