# Aqueous Alkaline Phosphate Facilitates the Non-exchangeable Deuteration of Peptides and Proteins

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#### Part I. Data Analysis.

#### Peptide:

The average mass of peptide is calculated by taking the average mass of all the isotopic peaks weighted by their intensities. This means that for an isotopic peak distribution containing n peaks the average mass (M) can be found using Equation 1

Equation 1:

$$M_{deuterium} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} I_{i} \cdot M_{i}}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} I_{i}}$$
$$M_{un-deuterium} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} I_{i} \cdot M_{i}}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} I_{i}}$$

$$\frac{\text{Deuterium}}{\text{molecular}} = (M_{deuterium} - M_{un-deuterium}) * charge$$

#### Protein:

Deuterium mass =  $[(m/_Z)_{deuterium} - (m/_Z)_{undeuterium}] * z$ where  $(m/_Z)_{deuterium}$  is the centroid mass of the fragment ions of interest, whereas  $(m/_Z)_{undeuterium}$  is the corresponding reference data for completely unlabeled samples fragment ions.

All biochemical graphs were produced using OriginPro 2019b (OriginLab) or R script.



Figure S 1 Data analysis flowchart

These Mb regions include: N-terminus (Gly 1 to Ser 3), A-helix (Asp 4 to Ala 19), B-helix (Asp 20 to Gly 35), C-helix (His 36 to Lys 42), CD loop (Phe 43 to Lys 50), D-helix (Thr 51 to Ala 57), E-helix (Ser 58 to Lys 77), EF loop (Lys 78 to Glu 85), F-helix (Leu 86 to Ala 94), FG loop (Thr 95 to Ile 99), G-helix (Pro 100 to Lys 118), GH loop (His 119 to Phe 123), H-helix (Gly 124 to Gly 150), and C terminus (Phe 151 to Gly 153).



Figure S2 Hexa-peptides deuteration (backbone deuteration)



**Figure S3** The investigation of optimal conditions for the deuteration of octreotide, including: A) potassium phosphate concentration, B) reaction time at 50 mM potassium phosphate condition, C) octreotide concentration (50 mM potassium phosphate), and D) the deuteration rates of standard hexapeptides at 2 hours. (Triple parallel experiments)



**Figure S4** The deuterium incorporation of hexapeptide at 8 h (100 mM potassium phosphate).

## Part III. Supporting Information NMR Part

Figure S5 <sup>1</sup>HNMR stacked spectra demonstrating the selective backbone deuteration of standard hexapeptides.











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# Part IIII. Supporting Information HPLC-MS/MS Part

Figure S6 The HPLC-MS spectra of the standard hexapeptides.





























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