

# PFI-8: A pan chemical probe for the YEATS family.

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Web link for more details: <https://www.thesgc.org/chemical-probes/PFI-8>

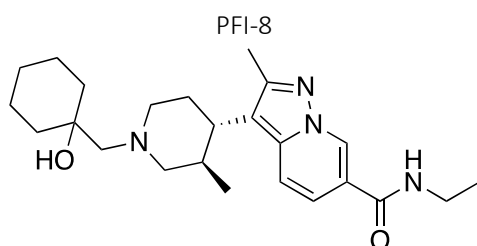
## Overview

The SGC in collaboration with Pfizer has discovered a potent chemical probe for the YEATS family, PFI-8. The YEATS-domain containing proteins are responsible for epigenetic signaling via acylated lysines including acetylation and higher order acylations such as propionylation, butyrylation, and crotonylation.

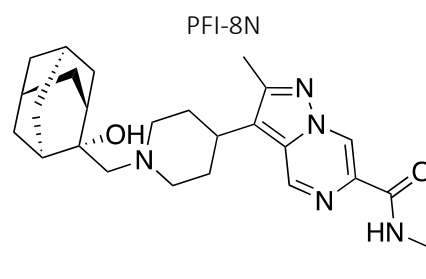
## Summary

Chemical Probe Name	PFI-8
Negative control compound	PFI-8N
Target(s) (synonyms)	YEATS family
Recommended concentration for cellular use	Use at 1 $\mu$ M; recommend to perform a dose-response as different cell lines may require different concentrations. Use with negative control for best interpretation of data.
Suitability for <i>in vivo</i> use and recommended dose	This chemical probe was not tested for <i>in vivo</i> use.
Publications	<a href="https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.jmedchem.2c01421">https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.jmedchem.2c01421</a>
Orthogonal chemical probes	
<i>In vitro</i> assay(s) used to characterise	FRET, SPR, ITC
Cellular assay(s) for target-engagement	NanoBRET, in cell western

## Chemical Probe & Negative Control Structures and Use



SMILES:  
O=C(NCC)C1=CN2C(C=C1)=C([C@H]3CCN(CC4(O)CCCCC4)C[C@@H]3C)C(C)=N2  
InChiKey: MJLJMNMVTQVARE-PXNSSMCTSA-N  
Molecular weight: 412.6  
Storage: As a dry powder or as DMSO stock solutions (10 mM) at -20 °C.  
DMSO stocks beyond 3-6 months or 2 freeze/thaw cycles should be tested for activity before use  
Dissolution: Soluble in DMSO up to 50 mM; use only 1 freeze/thaw cycle per aliquot



SMILES:  
CCNC(C1=CN2N=C(C)C(C3CCN(CC4(O)[C@H]5C[C@H]6C[C@@H]4C[C@H](C6)C5)CC3)=C2C=N1)=O  
InChiKey: GGHBKBALXANODH-GLJKLTJVSA-N  
Molecular weight: 451.6  
Storage: As a dry powder or as DMSO stock solutions (10 mM) at -20 °C.  
DMSO stocks beyond 3-6 months or 2 freeze/thaw cycles should be tested for activity before use  
Dissolution: Soluble in DMSO up to 50 mM; use only 1 freeze/thaw cycle per aliquot

## Chemical Probe Profile

*In vitro* (cell free) Potency & Selectivity: PFI-8 binds to YEATS4 with  $K_D = 52$  nM (ITC). PFI-8 binds YEATS 1-4 with FRET  $K_i$ 's of 495, 330, 462, and 33 nM respectively using a biotin-tagged crotonylated H3 peptide.

*Potency in Cells and Cellular Target Engagement:* NanoBRET measurements showed  $EC_{50} = 170$  nM.