

## Bioconjugatable bacteriochlorins for biohybrid antennas

We have already created a palette of lipophilic bioconjugatable bacteriochlorins with wavelength tunability (700-830 nm). The wavelength range has been extended to 900 nm but not yet in a design suitable for bioconjugation. We are working to accomplish this latter point, which will then afford a set of donors and acceptors for use at will in biohybrid designs.

The positions indicated enable wavelength tuning (700-900 nm). Features for imparting watersolubility and bioconjugation must either be added onto these sites in an innocent manner (i.e., not affecting the wavelength) or be positioned elsewhere.

R<sup>3</sup> R<sup>5</sup>
R<sup>2</sup>
N N
N
R<sup>12</sup>
R<sup>15</sup> R<sup>13</sup>

10,20-dipyridyl bacteriochlorins

8,8,18,18-tetrasubstituted bacteriochlorins

Two new designs under investigation are shown here that place the water-solubilization groups at sites other than the wavelength-tuning sites. X can be varied. The bioconjugatable group can then be introduced as we have already done with the lipophilic bacteriochlorins. We are very excited about one of these designs.



Theme 1: Native Antenna

Theme 2: Biohybrid Antenna

Theme 3: Bioinspired Antenna

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