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## A Yeast-Based Biosensor for Screening of Short- and Medium-Chain Fatty Acid Production

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## **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

**Table S1.** Yeast strains and plasmids used in this study.

| Strain                        | Characteristics  | Reference                     |
|-------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| CEN.PK113-7D                  | MATa; MAL2-8c; SUC2  | Euroscarf, Frankfurt am Main, |
|                               |  | Germany                       |
| CEN.PK113-11C                 | MATa; MAL2-8c; SUC2; ura3-52; his3Δ1   | Euroscarf, Frankfurt am Main, |
|                               |  | Germany                       |
| LBY27                         | CEN.PK113-11C Δ <i>pyk2</i> :: <i>pPDR12</i> -GFP  | This study                    |
| RPY21/FAS <sup>R1834K</sup>   | MATα; ura3Δ0; his3Δ0; leu2Δ0; TRP1; lys2Δ0;  | 1                             |
|                               | MET15; ΔFAS1::kanMX4; ΔFAS2::kanMX4;   |                               |
|                               | Δfaa2; transformed with plasmids pRS315-   |                               |
|                               | FAS1 <sup>R1834K</sup> and pRS313-FAS2   |                               |
| Plasmid                       | Characteristics  | Reference                     |
| Plasmids used for fern        | nentations   |                               |
| p426pMET25-GFP                | 2μ, URA3, Amp <sup>r</sup> , pMET25-GFP-tCYC1  | This study                    |
| p426pPDR12-GFP                | 2μ, URA3, Amp <sup>r</sup> , pPDR12-GFP-tCYC1  | This study                    |
| pRS42H                        | 2μ, hphNT1, Amp <sup>'</sup> , multiple cloning site including EcoRV   | 2                             |
| LBV17                         | pRS42H with <i>pPGK1-TPO1-tTPO1</i> integrated in <i>Eco</i> RV site   | This study                    |
| LBV20                         | pRS42H with pPYK1-ACC1 sets of the property of | This study                    |
| pRS315-FAS1 <sup>R1834K</sup> | CEN6/ARS4, LEU2, Amp <sup>r</sup> , pADH2-FAS1 <sup>R1834K</sup> -<br>tFAS1  | 3                             |
| pRS313-FAS2                   | CEN6/ARS4, HIS3, Amp <sup>r</sup> , pADH2-FAS2-tFAS2   | 3                             |
| Plasmids used for CRIS        | SPR/Cas9   | 1                             |
| pRCC-K                        | 2μ, kanMX, Amp <sup>r</sup> , pROX3-Cas9 <sup>opt</sup> -tCYC1,<br>pSNR52-gRNA   | 4                             |
| pRCC-K-PYK2                   | pRCC-K with gRNA for PYK2 locus  | This study                    |

 Table S2. Oligonucleotides used in this study.

| Primer     | Sequence 5'-3'                                  | Application   |
|------------|---|---|
| Plasmid co | nstruction or sequencing                        |   |
| LBP63      | CAATTAACCCTCACTAAAGGGAACAAAAGCTGGAGCTGATATCTT   | Amplification of pPDR12 from                          |
|            | TGTTTTGCATTTTAC                                 | CEN.PK113-11C with                                    |
| LBP64      | CTACACCTGTAAACAATTCCTCGCCTTTAGACATTTTTTTATTAATA | overhangs to the                                      |
|            | AGAACAATAAC                                     | p426pMET25-GFP backbone                               |
| LBP103     | CTAATGTAGGCCATGGAAC                             | Sequencing of GFP                                     |
| LBP76      | GGTCGACGGTATCGATAAGCTTGATCCCGGGATAGTAGAAAAAA    | Amplification of TPO1-tTPO1                           |
|            | AAGGGGATATCACTAC                                | from CEN.PK113-11C with                               |
| LBP77      | GTAATTATCTACTTTTTACAACAAATATAAAACAATGTCGGATCAT  | overhangs to pRS42H and                               |
|            | TCTCCCATTTCTAA                                  | pPGK1, respectively                                   |
| LBP78      | TTAGAAATGGGAGAATGATCCGACATTGTTTATATTTGTTGTAA    | Amplification of pPGK1 from                           |
|            | AAAGTAGATAATTAC                                 | CEN.PK113-11C with                                    |
| LBP79      | GGTGGCGGCCGCTCTAGAACTAGTGGATCCCCCGGGAATTACCG    | overhangs to TPO1 and                                 |
|            | TCGCTCGTGATTTG                                  | pRS42H, respectively                                  |
| LBP80      | GCTACTGCTGAGAACCTG                              | Sequencing of LBV17                                   |
| VSP159     | CGTGTGACAACAGCC                                 |   |
| LBP81      | GACTCACTATAGGGCGAATTGGGTACCGGGCCCCGACAGATTGG    | Amplification of pPYK1 from                           |
|            | GAGATTTTCATAGTAG                                | CEN.PK113-11C with                                    |
| LBP82      | GAAGACTCGAATAAGCTTTCTTCGCTCATTGTGATGATGTTTTATT  | overhangs to pRS42H and                               |
|            | TGTTTTGATTGGTG                                  | ACC1, respectively                                    |
| LBP83      | CACCAATCAAAACAATAAAACATCATCACAATGAGCGAAGAAA     | Amplification of ACC1 with S659A and S1157A and tACC1 |
|            | GCTTATTCGAGTCTTC                                |   |
|            |   | with overhangs to pPYK1 and                           |
| RPP108     | CTATGGCAATCAAAAGACCACCATCAGCTAGTTGAC            | pRS42H, respectively                                  |
| RPP107     | GATATCATACTGCGTCAACTAGCTGATGG                   |   |
| RPP088     | CATATGACAAATCTGAAACAGCAACAGCCCTGTTCATAC         |   |
| RPP087     | ATGGGTATGAACAGGGCTGTTGCTGTTTCAGATTTGTCATATGTT   |   |
|            | G   |   |
| LBP84      | GTACTCTGAAGGATCTGTTTGAGCGCTTCCATCGGGCCCATCGAA   |   |
|            | TTCCTGCAGCCCGGG                                 |   |
| LBP98      | CTTGTCATCCAATCTGTTC                             | Sequencing of LBV20                                   |
| LBP99      | CCAAATAAGCACCGATACC                             |   |
| LBP100     | GCAACCATTCCTTAACAGG                             |   |
| LBP101     | GACATACAGAACTTCCAGG                             |   |
| LBP102     | GGAACATAGTTTGCAGTAGG                            |   |
| RPP89      | TTCGAAACCTTCTGTAGAAGCAACACAAAC                  |   |
| RPP90      | CGGTCAAGGAAGAACTGAACAAATTGAAC                   |   |
| RPP109     | TCCAACTCTTGCCGTCATTTGC                          |   |
| RPP056     | CACACAGGAAACAGCTATGAC                           | Sequencing of p426pPDR12-                             |
| LBP85      | CGTTACCCAACTTAATCGCC                            | GFP, LBV17 and LBV20                                  |
|            | f pPDR12-GFP in PYK2                            | ,   |
| LBP108     | GTCCATTGTAAGATTACAACAAAAGCACTATCGGGCGAATTGGG    | Amplification of pPDR12-GFP-                          |
| LD1 100    | TACCGG  | tCYC1 from p426pPDR12-GFP                             |
| LBP109     | ATTAAGTAAAAAAAAAAAGGACTTTAATTTTTAGATATCTTTGTTT  | with overhangs to PYK2                                |
| EDI 103    | TGCATTTTACATTC                                  | l l l l l l l l l l l l l l l l l l l                 |
| LBP118     | CAGAGCGGTGAAACGCAAC                             | Amplification and sequencing                          |
| LBP119     | CGCAGTTTGCGAACATTACCTG                          | of Δpyk2::pPDR12-GFP-tCYC1                            |
|            | on of CRISPR/Cas9 plasmid pRCC-K                | 1   |
| WGP234     | CTTGGTGGTGTTCGTCGTATCTCTTAATCATAGAAGCAGACAATG   | Amplification of pRCC-K with                          |
| WUI 234    | GAG   | gRNA for <i>PYK2</i>                                  |
| WGP235     | TGTTGTCTGACATTTTGAGAGTTAACACCGAAATTACCAAGGCTC   | gniva iui FIAZ  |
|            |   | 1   |
| MGP193     | TTGCAATTCGGAGTCCGCAAGTTTTAGAGCTAGAAATAGCAAGTT   |   |
|            | AAAATAAGG                                       |   |

| MGP194                                   | CTTGCGGACTCCGAATTGCAAGATCATTTATCTTTCACTGCGGAG |  |
|--|---|--|
| gRNA sequences used for deletion of PYK2 |   |  |
| PYK2 gRNA                                | TTGCAATTCGGAGTCCGCAA                          |  |

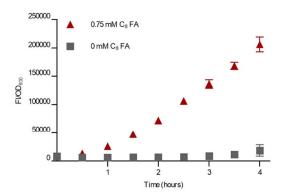
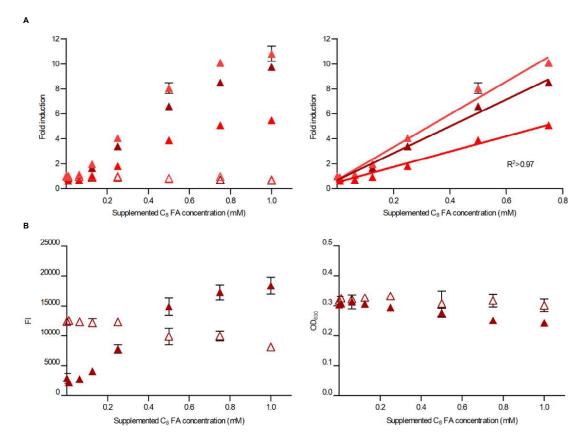
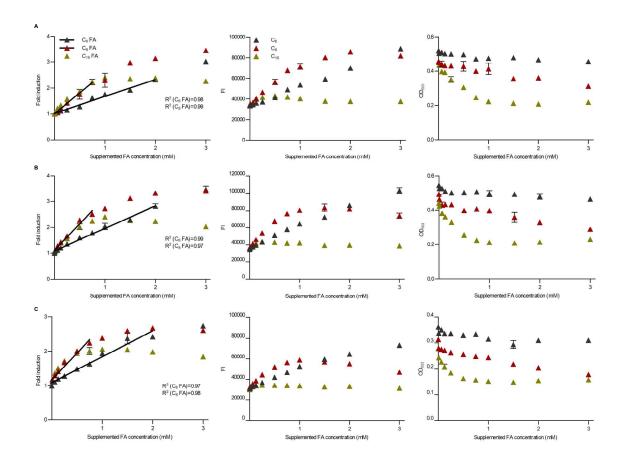


Figure S1. Time-dependent response of the biosensor in SCD medium with and without  $C_8$  fatty acids. Relative fluorescence intensity (fluorescence intensity (FI) divided by  $OD_{600}$ ) of the plasmid-based sensor in response to 0 (grey squares) and 0.75 mM (red triangles)  $C_8$  fatty acids (FA), respectively. The background fluorescence of the biosensor strain not exposed to  $C_8$  FA is very low over the entire time course. Error bars represent two technical replicates.



**Figure S2.**  $C_8$  fatty acid-dependent response of the biosensor in SCD medium. (A) Response (left) and linear range (right) of the biosensor after 2 hours incubation with supplemented  $C_8$  fatty acids (FA) in SCD medium. Shown are three biological replicates with two technical replicates each. For fold induction values, fluorescence intensities (FI) were divided by optical densities (OD<sub>600</sub>) and normalized to FI/OD<sub>600</sub> values of samples without  $C_8$  FA. (B) FI (left) and OD<sub>600</sub> (right) of all three biological replicates. Filled triangles: CEN.PK113-11C + p426pPDR12-GFP. Clear triangles: CEN.PK113-11C + p426pMET25-GFP.



**Figure S3.**  $C_6$ ,  $C_8$  and  $C_{10}$  fatty acid-dependent response of the biosensor in YPD medium of three biological replicates (A, B, C). Response and linear range (left), fluorescence intensities (FI; middle) and optical densities (OD<sub>600</sub>; right) after 4 hours incubation with supplemented  $C_6$ ,  $C_8$  or  $C_{10}$  fatty acids (FA) of all three biological replicates. Linear ranges were only observed in response to  $C_6$  and  $C_8$  FAs (left). Error bars represent two technical replicates. For fold induction values, FIs were divided by OD<sub>600</sub> values and normalized to FI/OD<sub>600</sub> values of samples without FA.

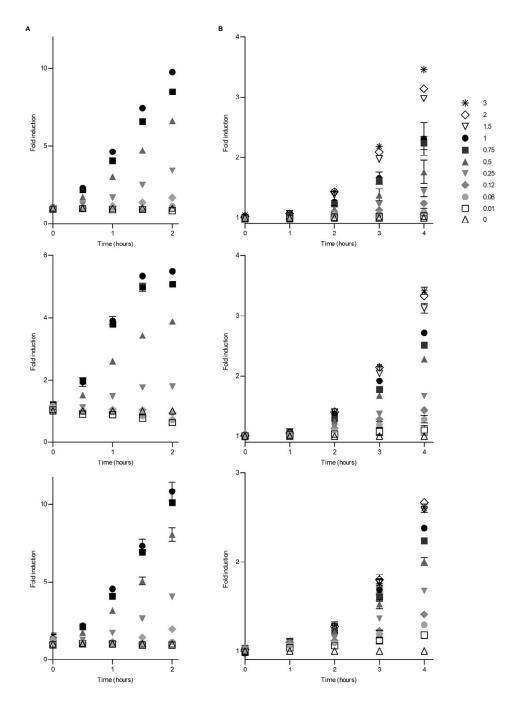
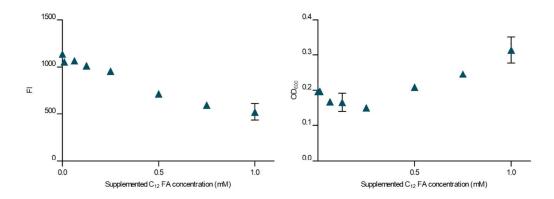
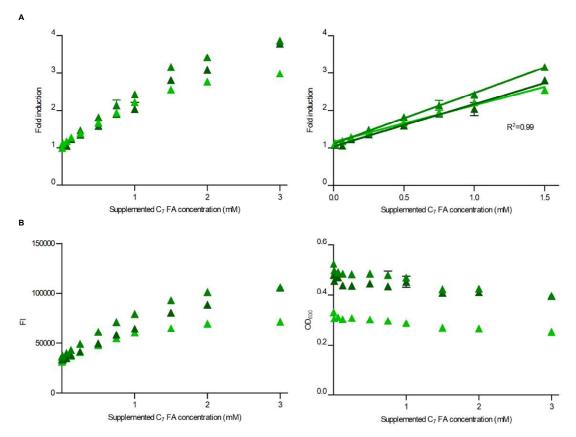


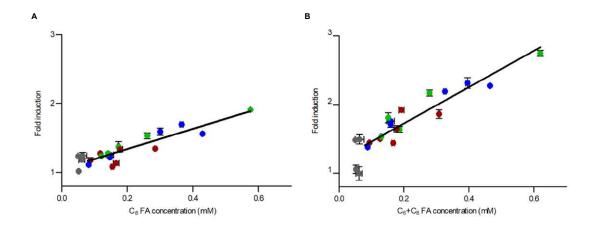
Figure S4. Time-dependent response of the biosensor to different  $C_8$  fatty acid concentrations. Response over a 2 hour incubation period to supplemented 0-1 mM  $C_8$  fatty acids (FA) in SCD (A) and over a 4 hour incubation period to supplemented 0-3 mM  $C_8$  FA in YPD medium (B) of three biological replicates. Error bars represent two technical replicates. For fold induction values, fluorescence intensities (FI) were divided by optical densities (OD<sub>600</sub>) and normalized to FI/OD<sub>600</sub> values of samples without  $C_8$  FA (0 mM).



**Figure S5.**  $C_{12}$  fatty acid-dependent growth and fluorescence of the biosensor. Fluorescence intensities (FI; left) and optical densities (OD<sub>600</sub>; right) in response to supplementation with  $C_{12}$  fatty acids (FA) after 4 hours incubation in YPD medium. Error bars represent two technical replicates.



**Figure S6.**  $C_7$  fatty acid-dependent response of the biosensor. (A) Response (left) and linear range (right) of the biosensor after 4 hours incubation with supplemented  $C_7$  fatty acids (FA) in YPD medium. For fold induction values, fluorescence intensities (FI) were divided by optical densities ( $OD_{600}$ ) and normalized to  $FI/OD_{600}$  values of samples without  $C_7$  FA. (B) FI (left) and  $OD_{600}$  (right) values of all three biological replicates. Shown are three biological replicates with error bars representing two technical replicates.



**Figure S7.** Biosensor response to fatty acids in *S. cerevisiae* culture supernatants and correlation to GC measurement. (A) Linear correlation of the fold induction of biosensor signal in 0.25 dilutions of culture supernatants with GC measurements of  $C_8$  fatty acids (FA) of the same supernatants. (B) Linear correlation of the fold induction of biosensor signal in 0.5 dilutions of culture supernatants with GC measurements of  $C_6$  and  $C_8$  FA of the same supernatants. Strains: CEN.PK113-7D (grey), RPY21/FAS<sup>R1834K</sup>/ pRS42H (red), RPY21/FAS<sup>R1834K</sup>/ LBV17 (blue), RPY21/FAS<sup>R1834K</sup>/ LBV20 (green).

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