

Supporting Information

Conserved high activity binding peptides are involved in adhesion of two detergent-resistant membrane-associated merozoite proteins to red blood cells during invasion

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Peptide number		Pf92	Specific Binding Activity (%)			
			1	2	3	4
33667	221	R L S D Y G G K I L V K G T N A Q N L N	240			
36913	-	L A G Q I N G L N D L Y G R N S K K T V	-		1	
33675	381	K T C K V P S S H L K Y S S D G L Y K L	400			
36915	-	S D Y H K C S V G K K K S Y L T P S L L	-		1	

Peptide number		Pf113	Specific Binding Activity (%)			
			1	2	3	4
33723	81	Y F F E Y E L R K K T Q S F R N K N S I	100			
36901	-	I K Y T E F F E S N Y N R L K R S F Q K	-			
33740	421	A S L K E T M N K I D T I E K K I E E F Y	440			
36897	-	I T I E E L F K S A I K T E E M K D N K Y	-			
33748	581	R L K E N K D Y D V V S S I I Q H L D N	600			
36900	-	Q N N D I D H S E D K K L I S R V L Y V	-		1	

Figure S1. Binding profile of two Pf92 HABPs (33667 and 33675) and three Pf113 HABPs (33723, 33740 and 33748) to RBCs compared to the binding profile of their corresponding scrambled-sequence peptides shown immediately below of each HABP.

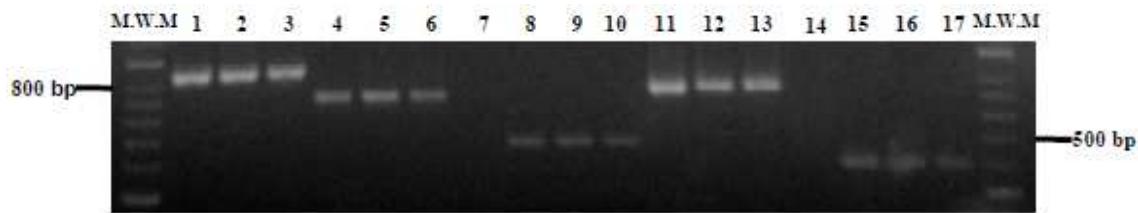


Figure S2. PCR amplification of the regions encoding HABPs in the Pf92 and Pf113 proteins. Lanes 1, 2 and 3: Pf92 region encoding HABPs 33667, 33672, 33675 and 33677 in the FCB-2, FVO and PAS-2 strains, respectively. PCR products were loaded into the gel maintaining the same strain order. Lanes 4, 5 and 6: Pf92 region encoding HABPs 33680 and 33689. Lanes 8, 9 and 10 correspond to the Pf113 region encoding HABPs 33723 and 33728. Lanes 11, 12 and 13 correspond to the Pf113 region encoding HABPs 33740, 33745, 33746, 33748 and 33749. Lanes 7 and 14: Negative controls. Lanes 15, 16 and 17: Positive control: amplification of Pf25-IMP HABP 30577. M.W.M: 100-bp molecular weight marker.

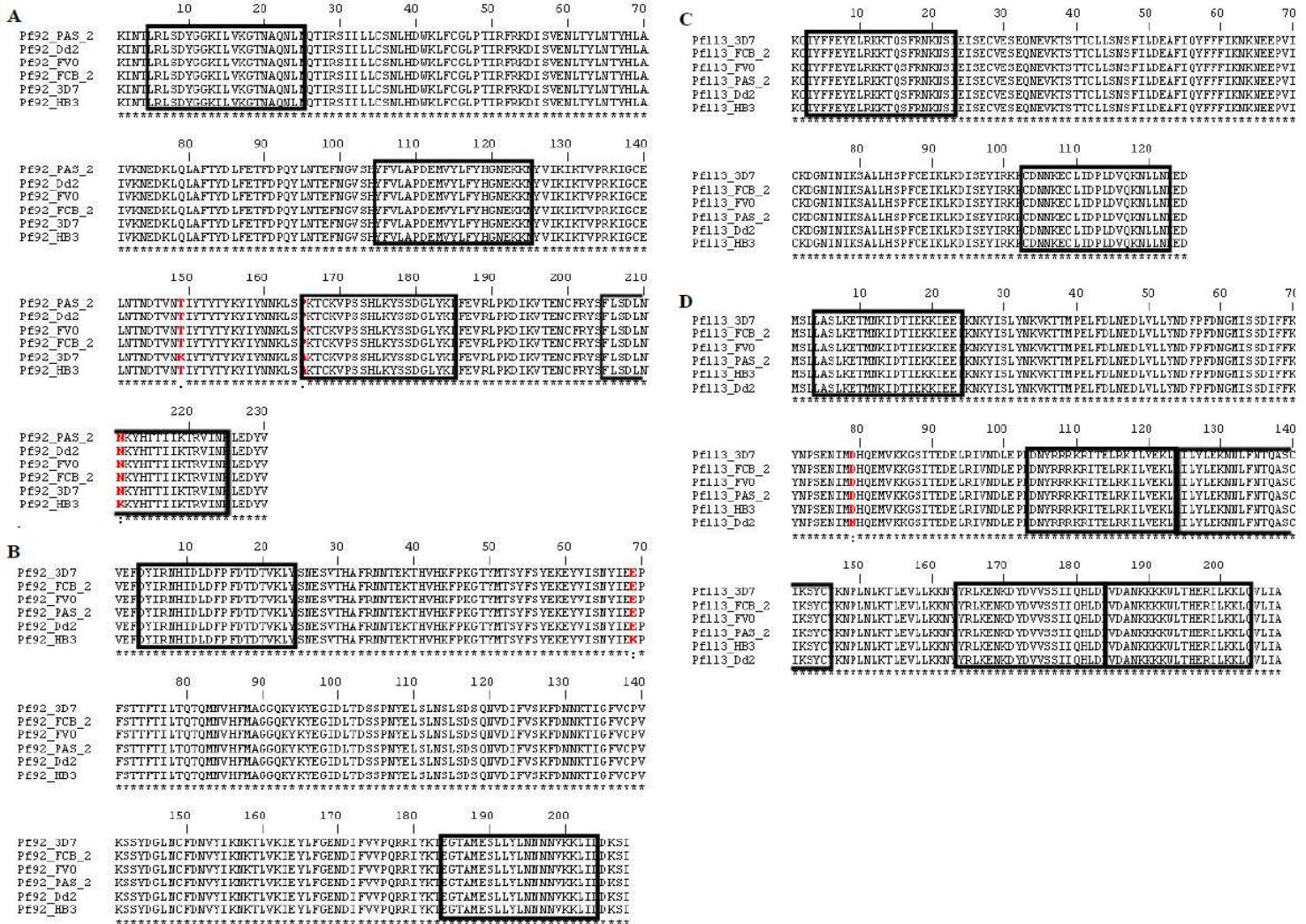


Figure S3. Amino acid alignment of the region encoding Pf92 and Pf113 HABPs in the *P. falciparum* 3D7, FCB-2, FVO, PAS-2, HB3 and Dd2 strains. Black boxes indicate the position of each HABP. Amino acid substitutions are indicated in red letters. **A.** Pf92 HABPs 33667, 33672, 33675 and 33677. **B.** Pf92 HABPs 33680. **C.** Pf113 HABPs 33723 and 33728. **D.** Pf113 HABPs 33740, 33745, 33748 and 33749.