## Additional file 2

IC<sub>50</sub> obtained from 12 *P. falciparum* fresh isolates were higher than when culture-adapted from cryopreserved samples for both the HRP-2 and SYBR Green I assays.

Geometric mean (range) IC<sub>50</sub> attained from fresh and culture-adapted samples of 12 *P. falciparum* isolates are shown. HRP-2 IC<sub>50</sub> were available for all 12 paired fresh/cultured samples, while only 10 isolates provided sufficient sample for SYBR Green I assay analysis. Differences in IC<sub>50</sub> between fresh and culture-adapted samples were compared using the Wilcoxon pair test for median differences and *P*-values are indicated. Correlations were examined with Spearman's nonparametric correlation test ( $\rho$ ) with corresponding *P*-values indicated. Significant differences and correlations are in **bold** lettering.

Assay	GM IC <sub>50</sub> (range) in nM, N (number of isolates)				
	DHA	AS	MQ	QN	CQ
HRP-2					
Fresh isolates	10.6 (5.4-23.9), 12	8.2 (3.0-20.6), 12	93.2 (27.8-188.2), 12	182.3 (72.7-373.5), 12	158 (74.1-509.2), 12
Cultured isolates	7.3 (4.4-14.4), 12	7.1 (3.4-11.4), 12	35.5 (7.1-97.5), 12	92.4 (45.6-153.6),12	135.3 (57.7-264.8), 12
Wilcoxon pair test	$\Delta$ = -3.8, <i>P</i> =0.034	$\Delta = -0.1, P=0.519$	∆ = -70.0, <i>P</i> =0.005	∆ = -77.0, <i>P</i> =0.001	$\Delta = -28.6, P=0.129$
Spearman test	$\rho = -0.1, P=0.716$	$\rho = 0.4$ , <i>P</i> =0.169	$\rho = 0.5, P=0.128$	$\rho = 0.7$ , <i>P</i> =0.019	ρ = <b>0.7</b> , <i>P</i> = <b>0.010</b>
SYBR Green I					
Fresh isolates	14.7 (8.8-26.6), 9	12.7 (4.9-38.9), 10	137.2 (56.2-195.5), 6	232.9 (49.5-462.1), 10	217.9 (137.6-455.3), 10
Cultured isolates	7.4 (3.9-14.1), 9	7.6 (5.1-10.7), 10	115.5 (40.7-213.5), 6	144.2 (92.8-217.5), 10	170.5 (95.2-307.9), 10
Wilcoxon pair test	$\Delta$ = -7.8, <i>P</i> =0.004	$\Delta$ = -5.8, <i>P</i> =0.027	$\Delta = -5.5, P=0.688$	$\Delta = -150.3, P=0.014$	$\Delta = -47.5, P=0.037$
Spearman test	$\rho = 0.4, P=0.359$	$\rho = 0.4, P=0.279$	ρ = 0.4, <i>P</i> =0.419	ρ = 0.5, <i>P</i> =0.123	ρ = 0.6, <i>P</i> =0.067