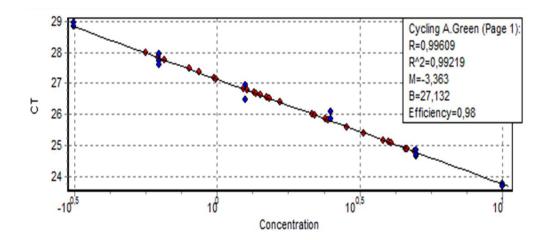
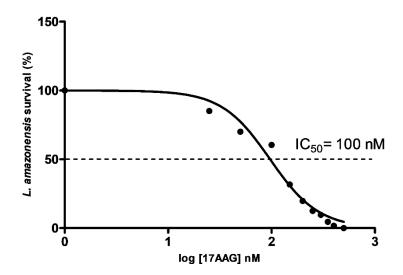


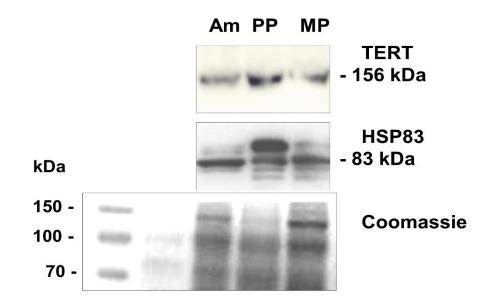
**Suppl. Figure 1. The integrity of DNA samples used in the TRF analysis.** A) Genomic DNA obtained from all three parasite life forms (A, amastigotes, PP procyclic promastigotes, MP, metacyclic promastigotes); PP and MP passages 1, 2, 4, 6, and 8. B) Genomic DNA obtained from PP non-treated (control) and treaded with 17AAG for 48 h and 96 h. The integrity of each non-digested DNA sample shown in A) and B) was confirmed by fractionation in 0.8% ethidium bromide (EtBr)-stained agarose gels. MW, 1kb plus DNA ladder (Invitrogen).



Suppl. Figure 2. qPCR telomere assay demonstrates that *L. amazonensis* promastigotes have longer telomeres compared to amastigotes. The telomere assay was performed on the Rotor-Gene® Q real-time instrument with the QIAGEN Rotor-Gene SYBR Green Kit. For the standard curve, gDNA from *Leishmania* promastigotes was diluted at 1:2 in six serial dilutions in the range of 10 ng-0.3125 ng/PCR in a 24 µl reaction volume. The PCR assay was repeated for 25 cycles. The assay was set up using a QIAgility® liquid handling instrument.



**Suppl. Figure 3. The IC\_{50} value of 17AAG** for *L. amazonensis* **PP**. The  $IC_{50}$  value was determined from a dose-response inhibition fit using GraphPad Prism 8.0. Each value in the curve is the average of assays carried out in triplicates.



Suppl. Figure 4. Western blot analysis shows TERT and HSP83 in telomerase-positive extracts of the three parasite life forms. Approximately 300 µg of telomerase-positive extracts obtained from amastigotes (A), promastigotes (P), and metacyclics (M) were fractionated in 10% SDS-PAGE gels and transferred to nitrocellulose membranes (BioRad). Western blots were revealed with anti-LaTERT and anti-LdHSP83 polyclonal sera and developed using a goat anti-rabbit HRP-conjugated secondary antibody (Bio-Rad) and the enhanced chemiluminescence (ECL), according to the manufacturer's instructions (GE). Protein extracts fractionated in a Coomassie-stained 10% SDS-PAGE gel were used as the loading control.