

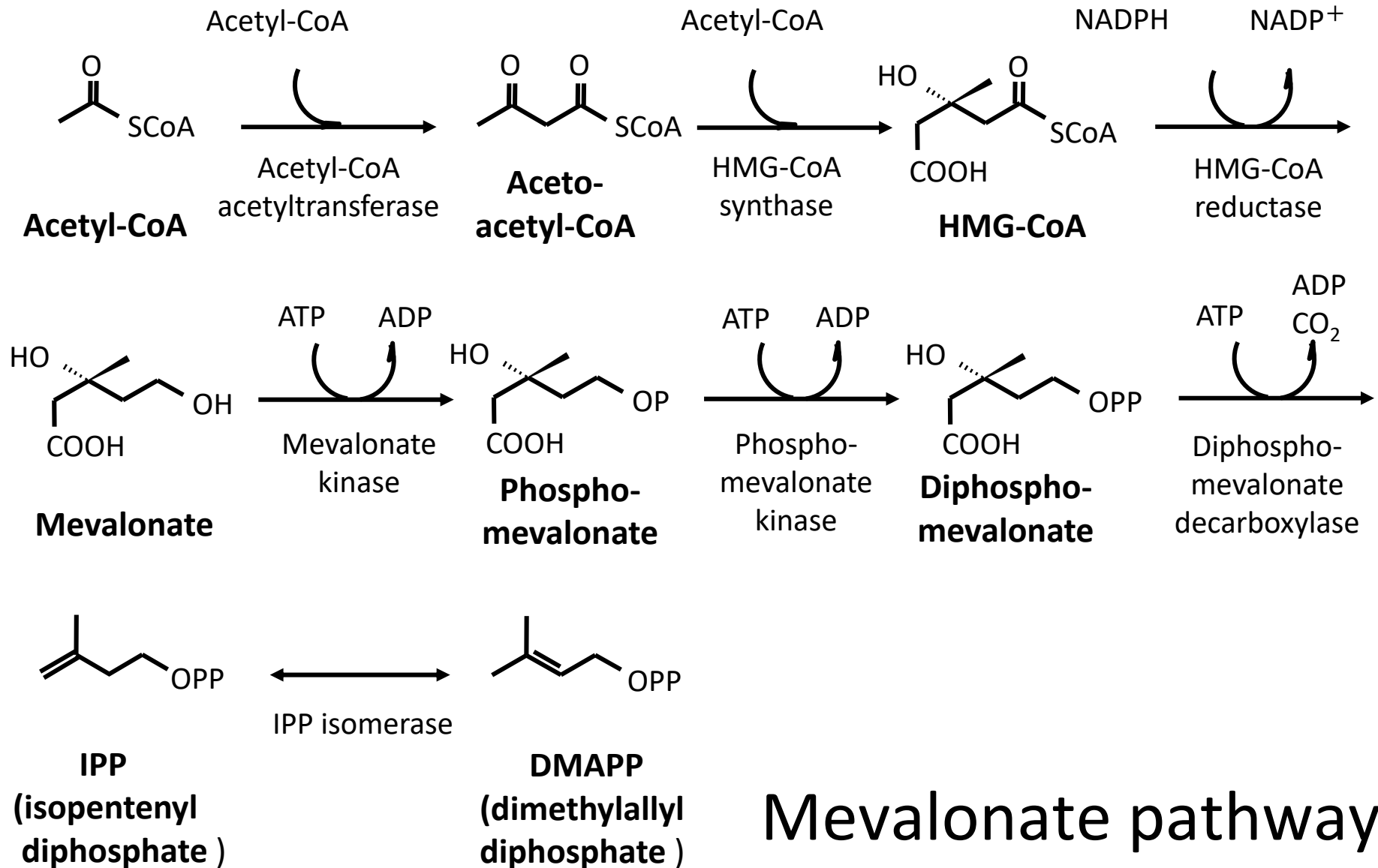


Alternative menaquinone biosynthetic pathway

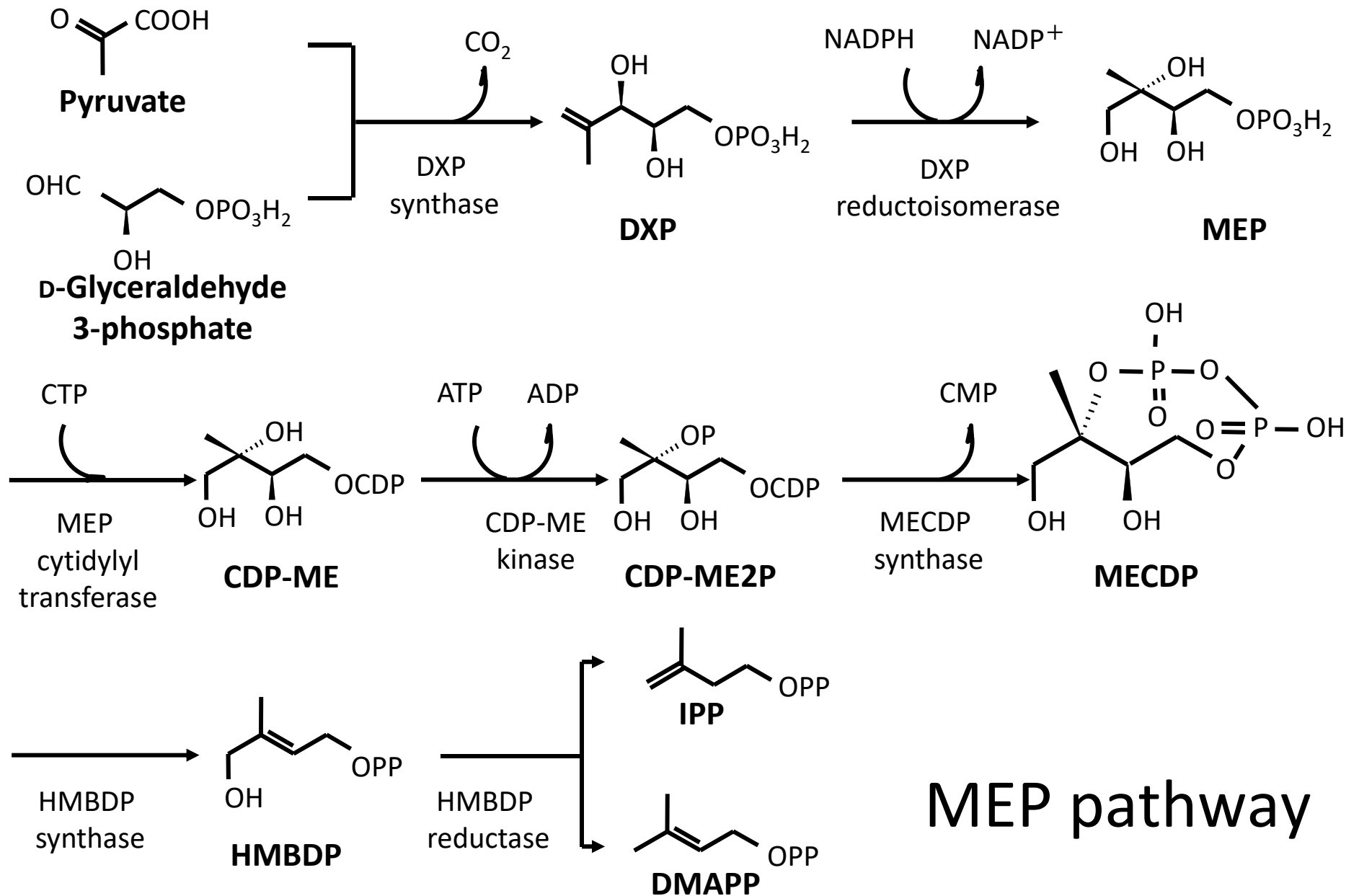
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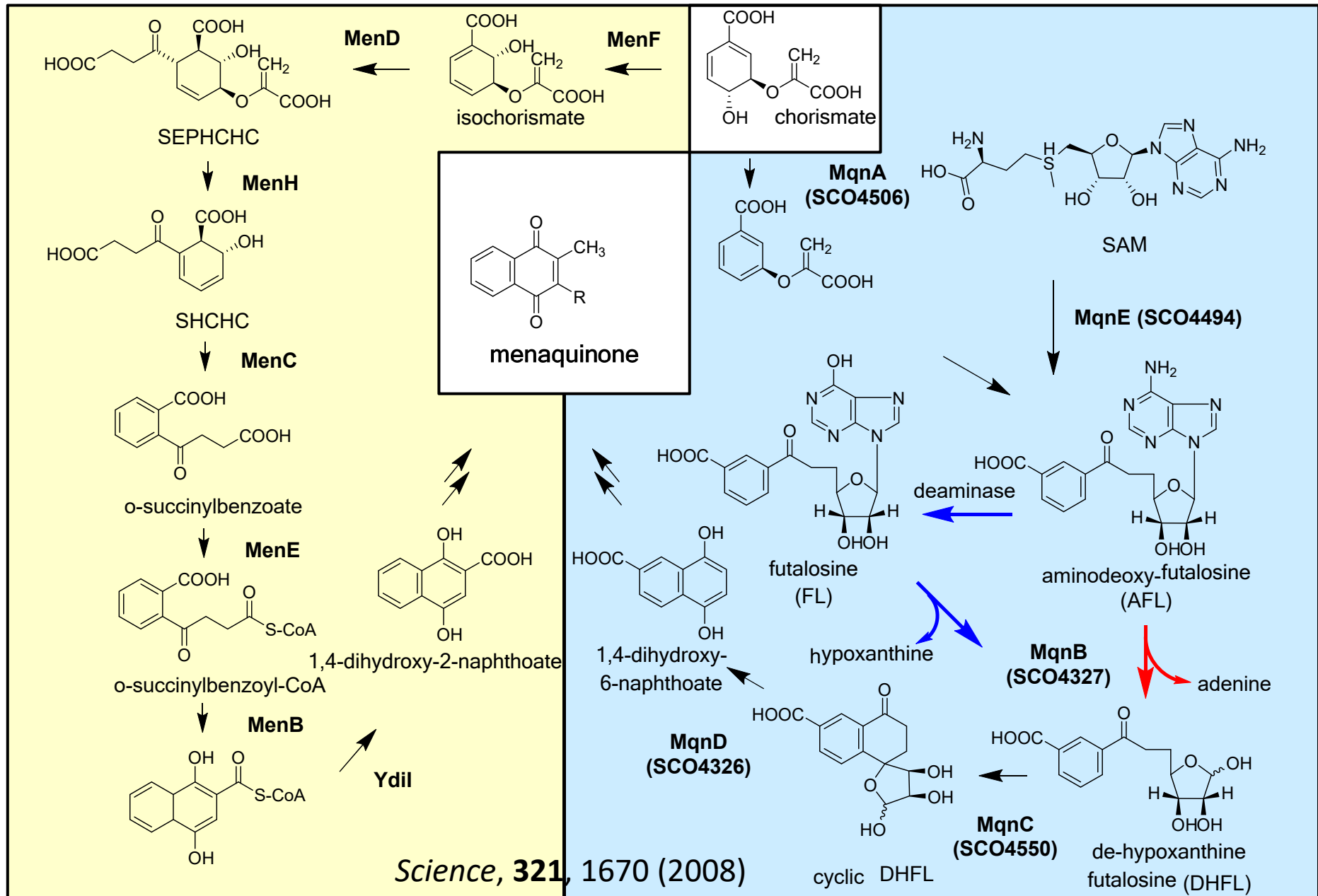


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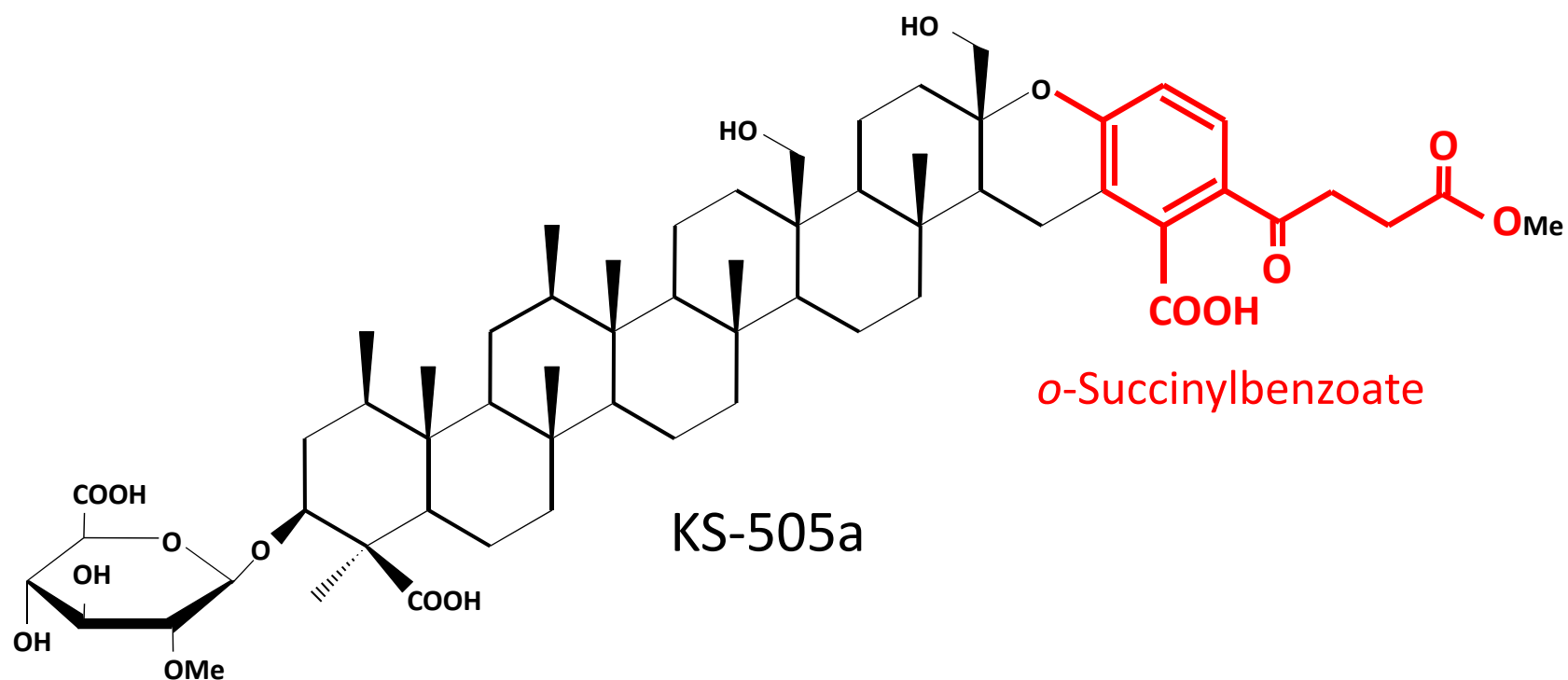


MEP pathway

Menaquinone Biosynthetic Pathways



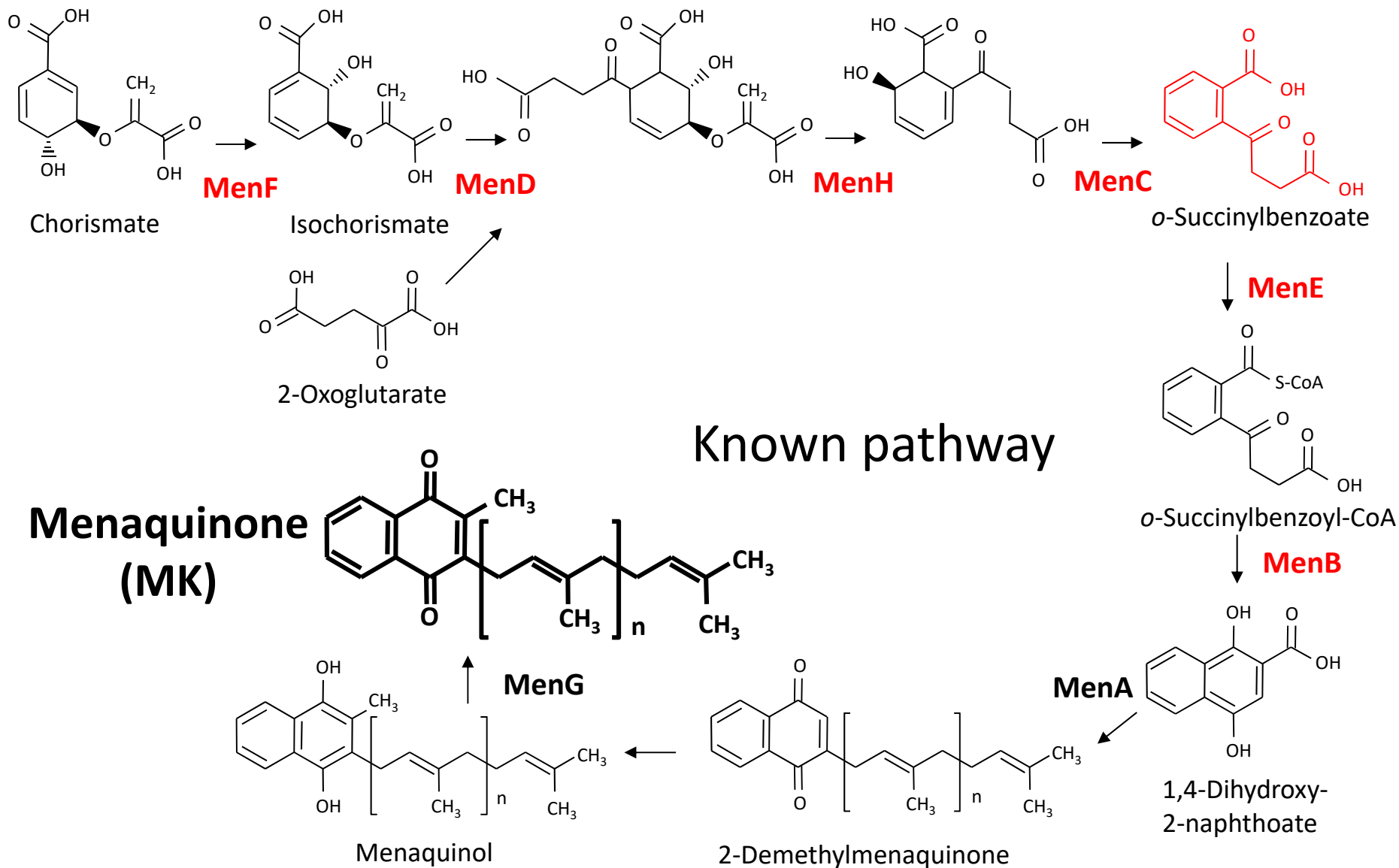
KS-505a has a *o*-succinylbenzoate as a partial structure



Producer; *Streptomyces argenteolus* strain A-2

S. coelicolor and *S. avermitilis*

have no **menF, D, H, C, E** and **B** genes



The function of MK in organisms

For human

Essential vitamin for

- blood coagulation,
- bone metabolism,
- cell-cycle regulation



Supplied *via* diet.

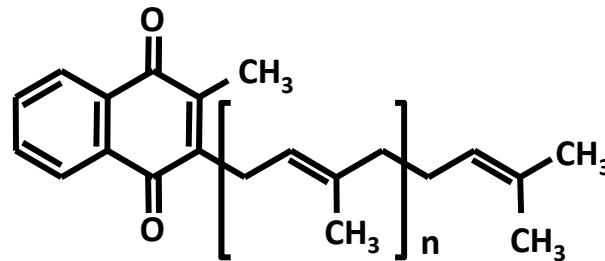
For bacteria

Essential for

- respiration {mainly in Gram (+) bacteria}.

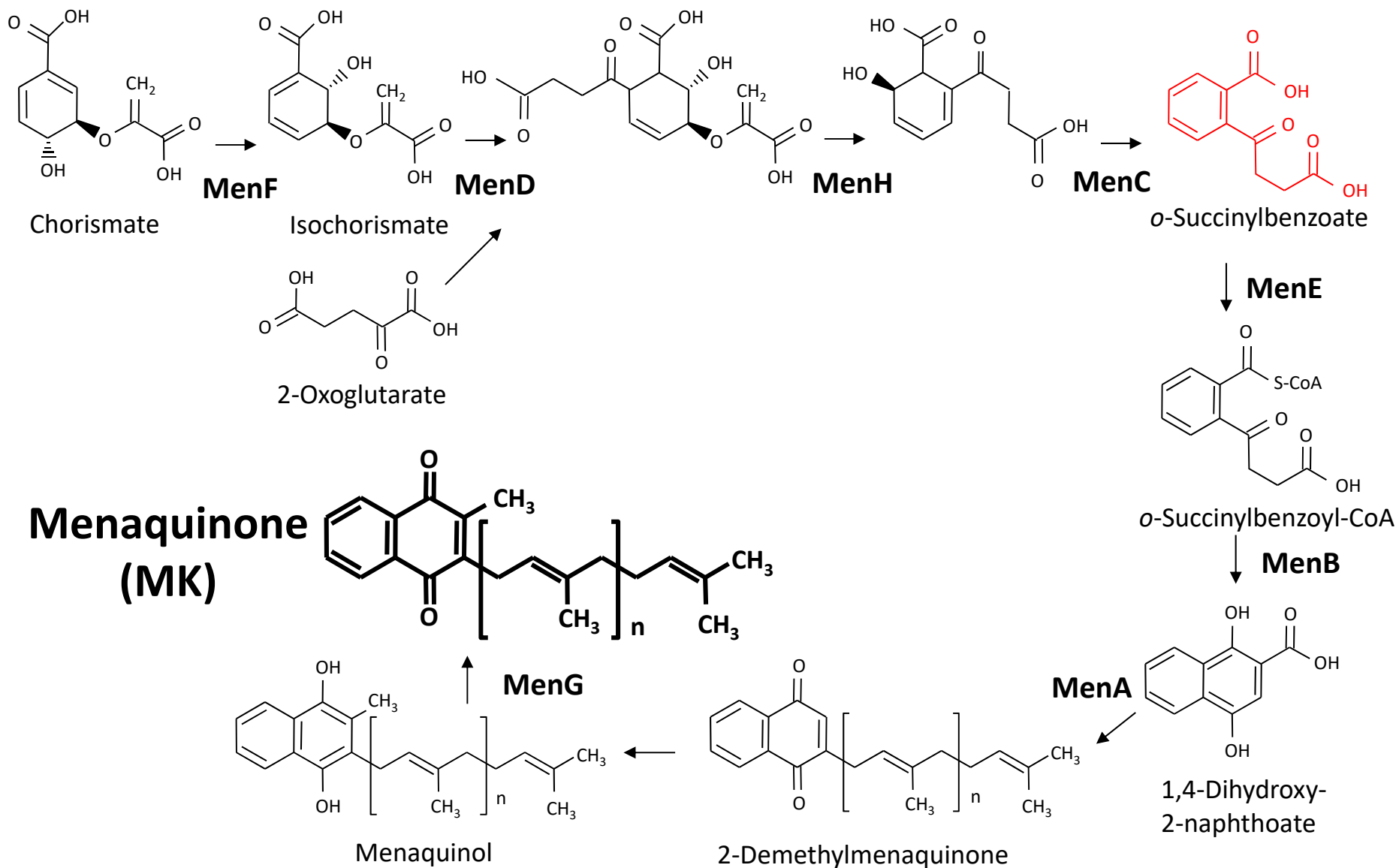


de novo synthesis

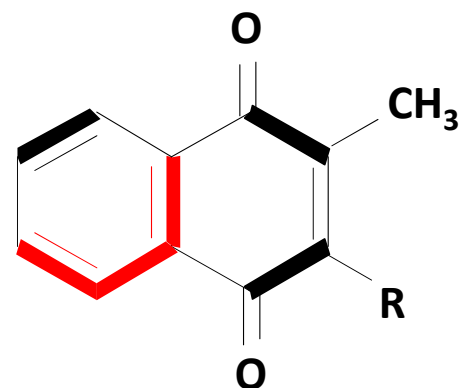
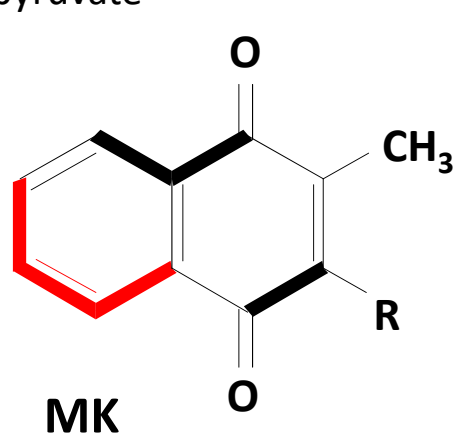
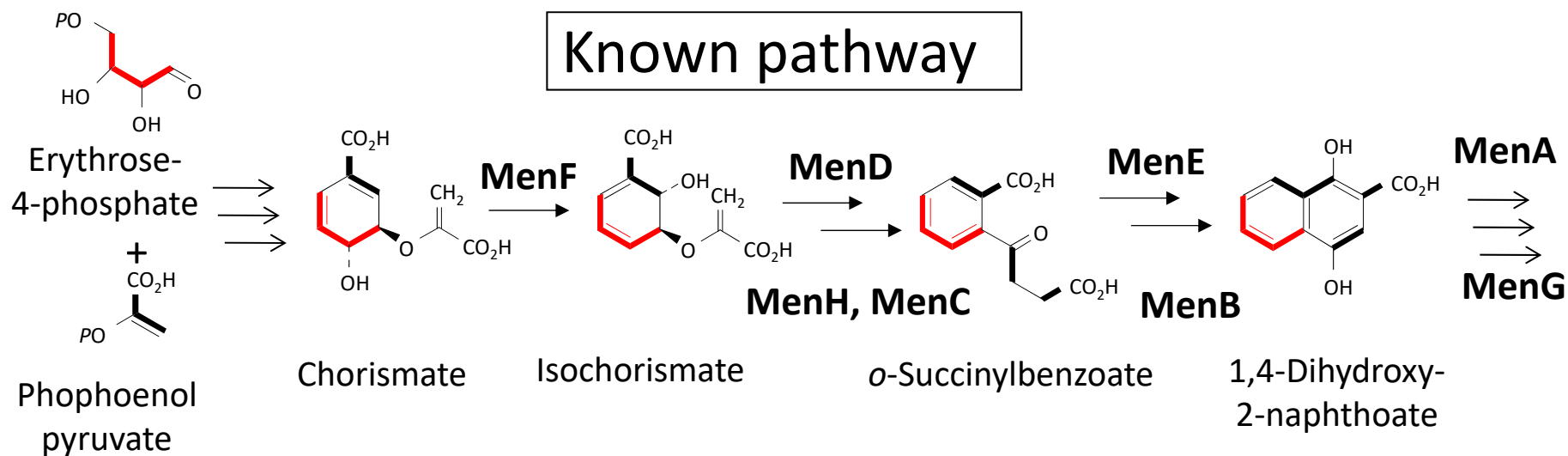


Menaquinone (MK)

MK biosynthetic pathway in *E. coli*

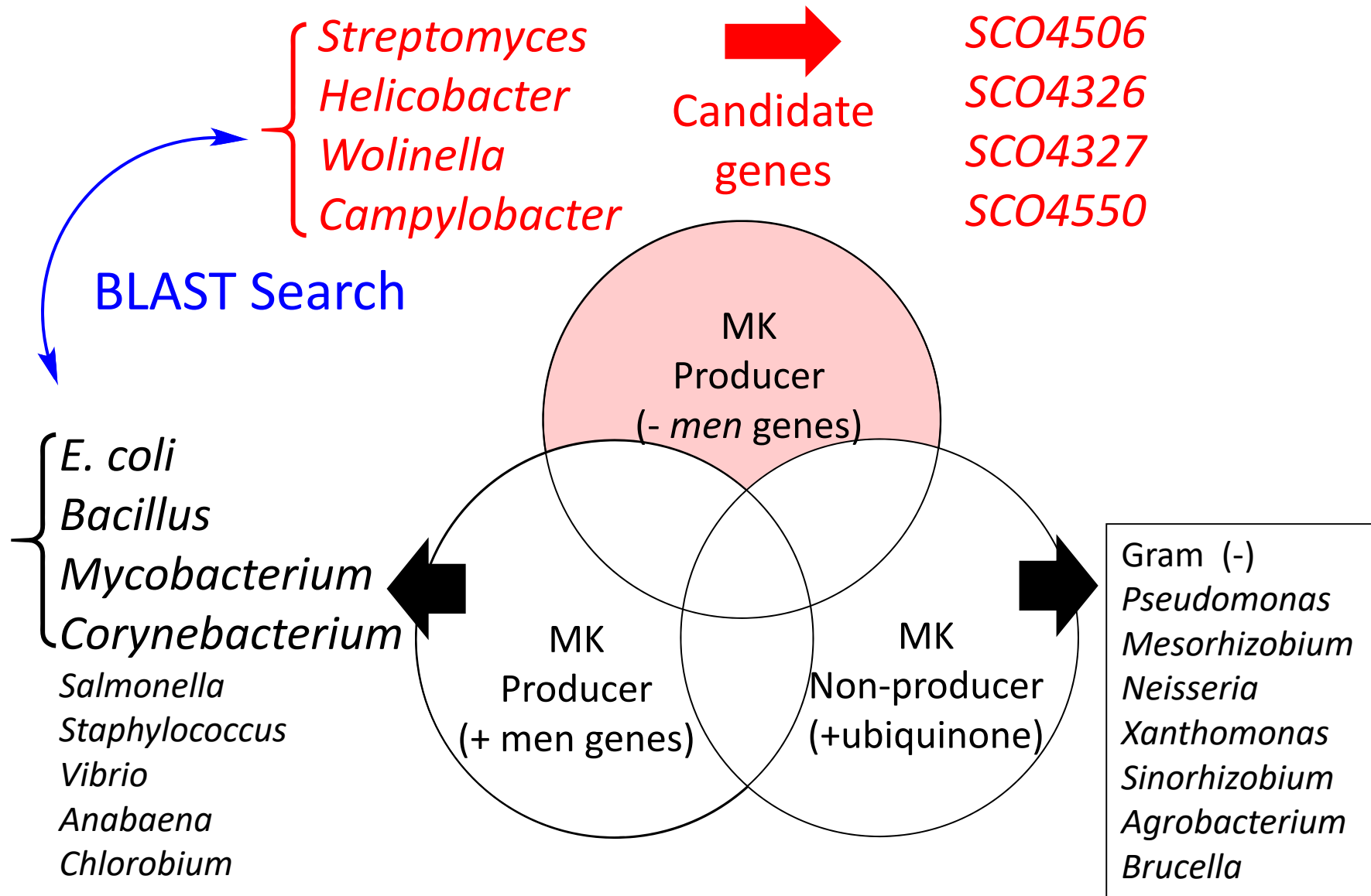


Tracer experiments with *S. coelicolor* by Prof. Seto *et al.*

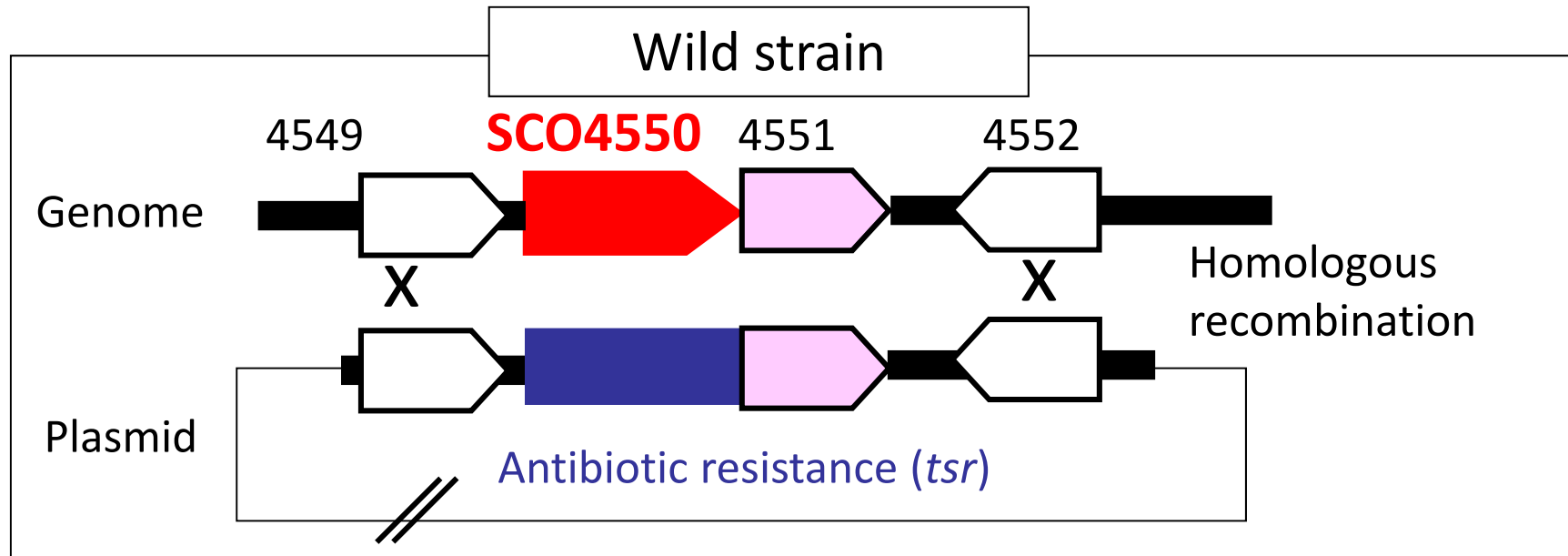


MK from *S. coelicolor*

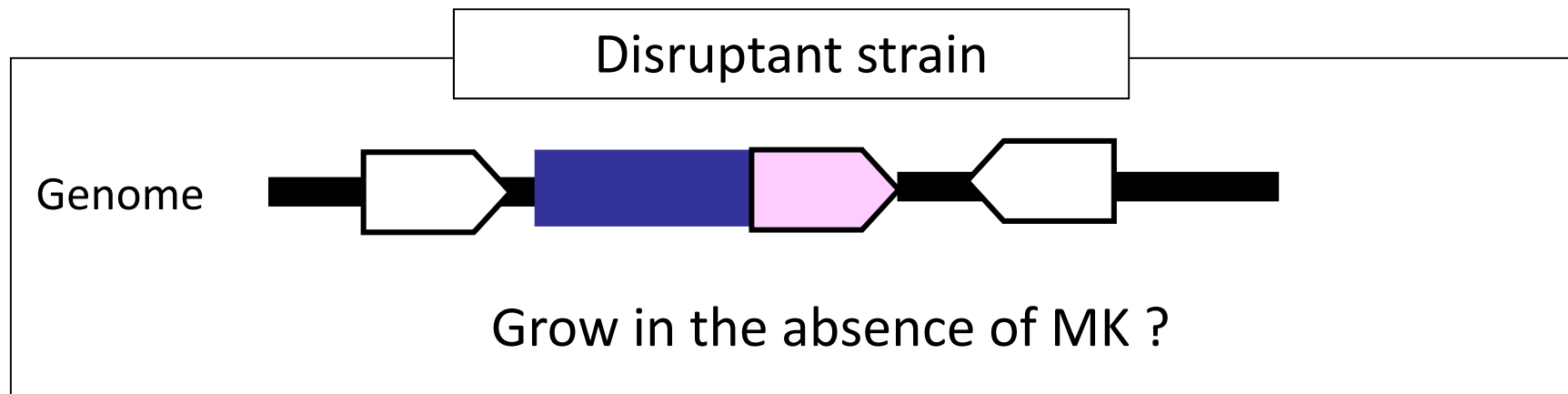
Candidate genes estimated by *in silico*



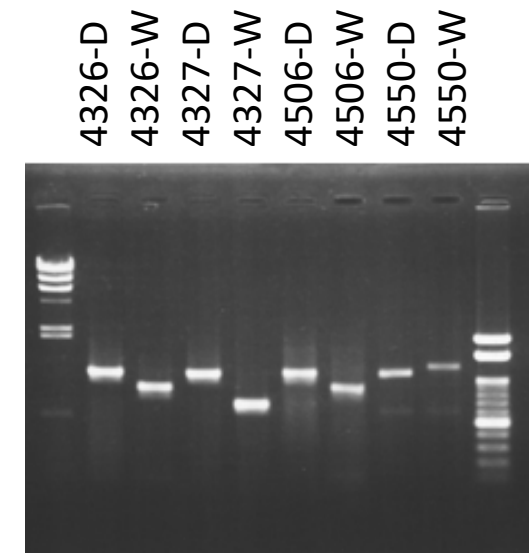
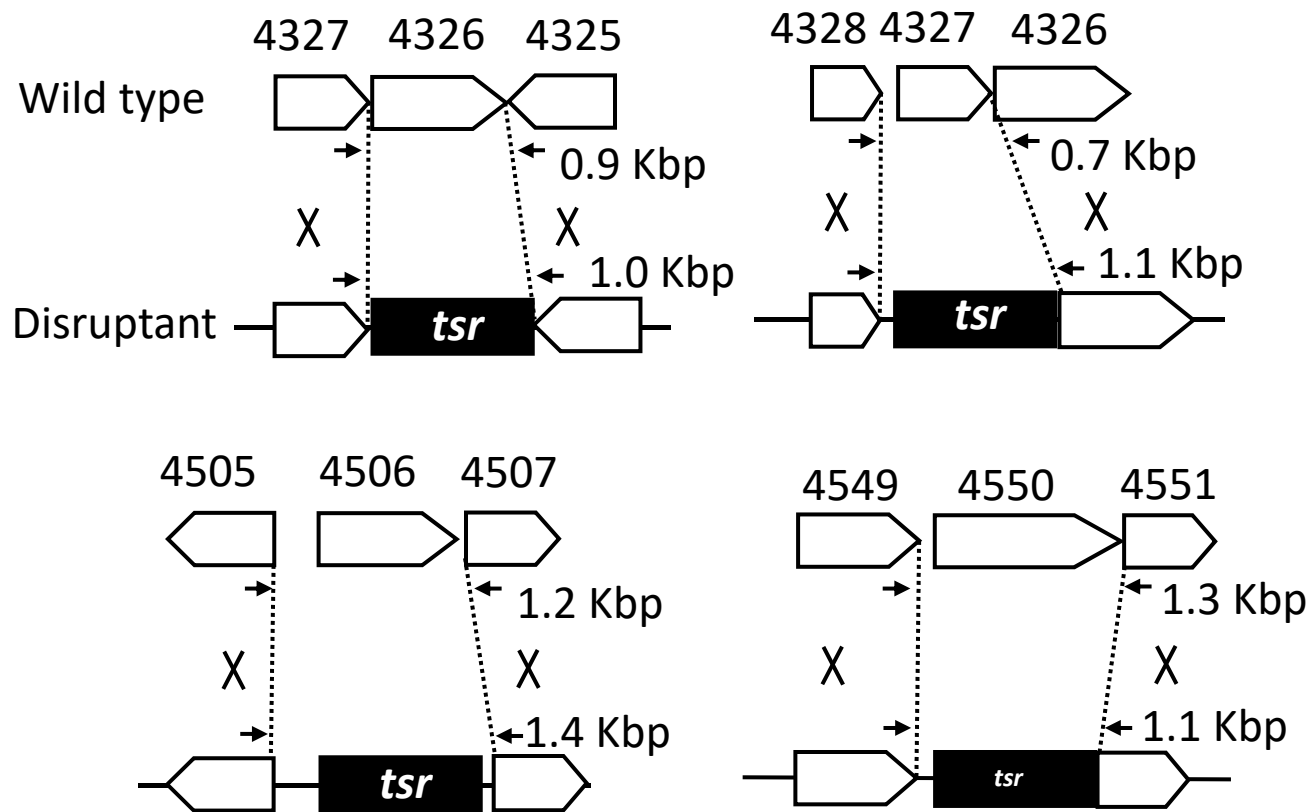
Disruption of candidate genes



Selection in the presence of **MK & antibiotic**



PCR analyses of genomic DNAs of the candidate gene-disrupted strains

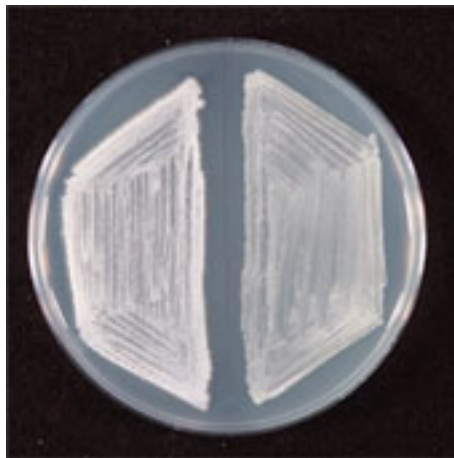


W: wild strain
D: disruptant

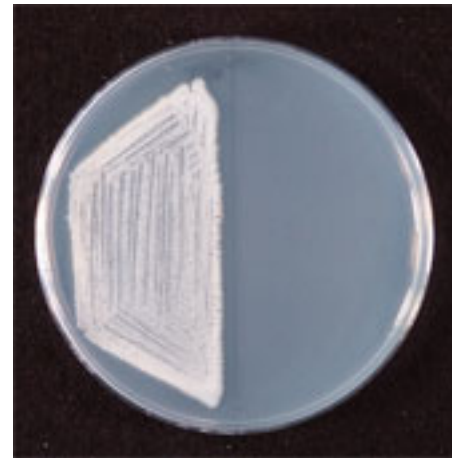
Phenotype of disruptant

Left; Wild strain

Right; SCO4550 disruptant



+
MK



-
MK

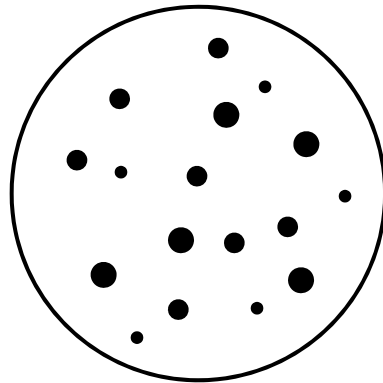
SCO4506, SCO4326 and SCO4327-disruptants also required MK for their growth

Isolation of mutants requiring MK for their growth by mutagenesis

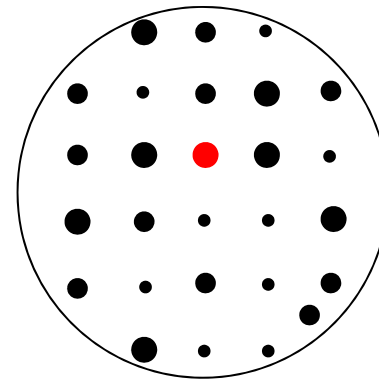
Spores of *Streptomyces coelicolor*

↓ NTG mutagenesis

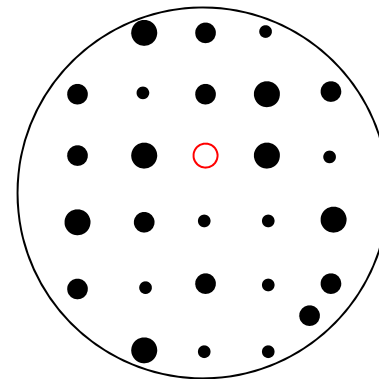
Spread on the plate containing MK



↗ Replica ↘

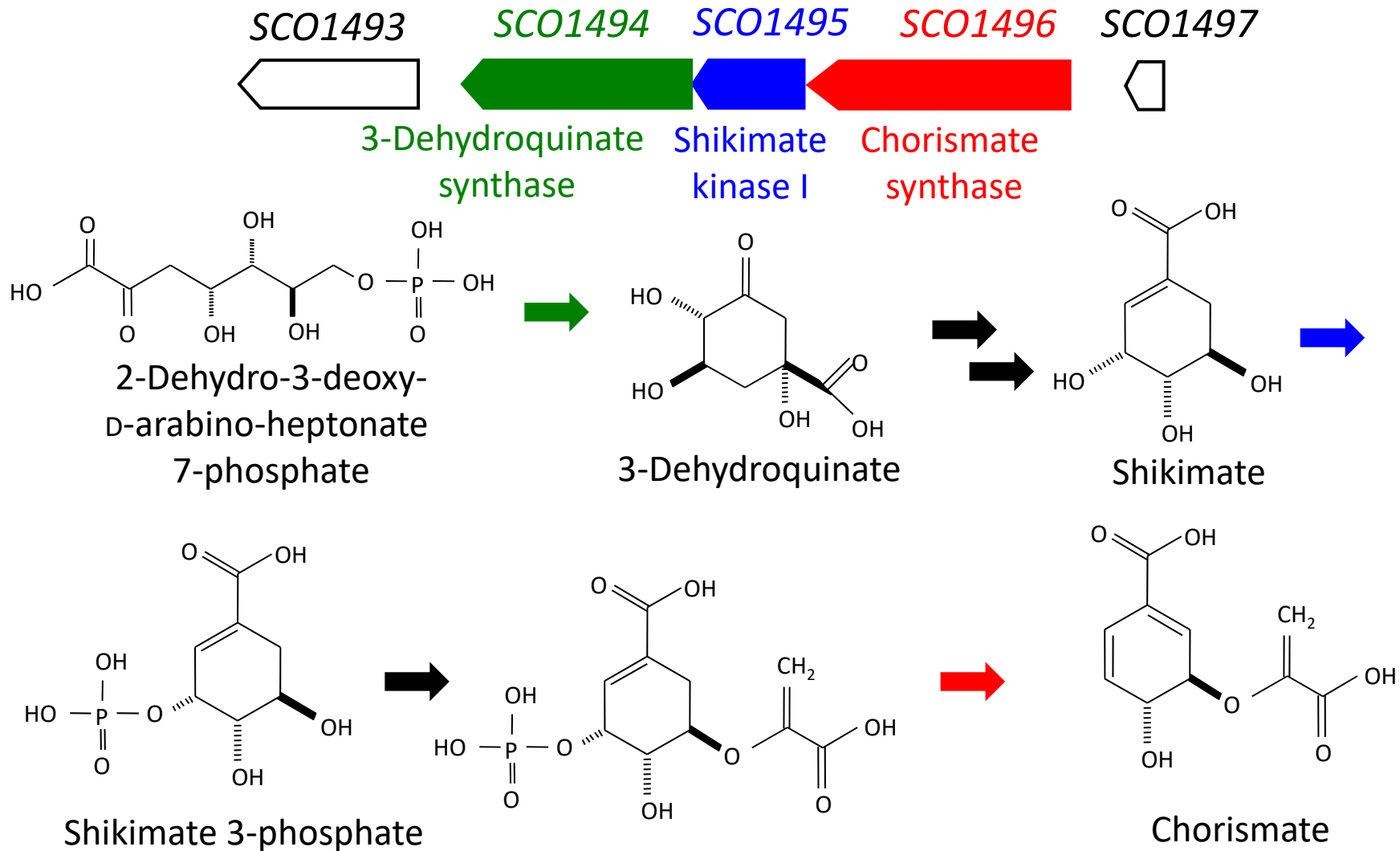


+ MK



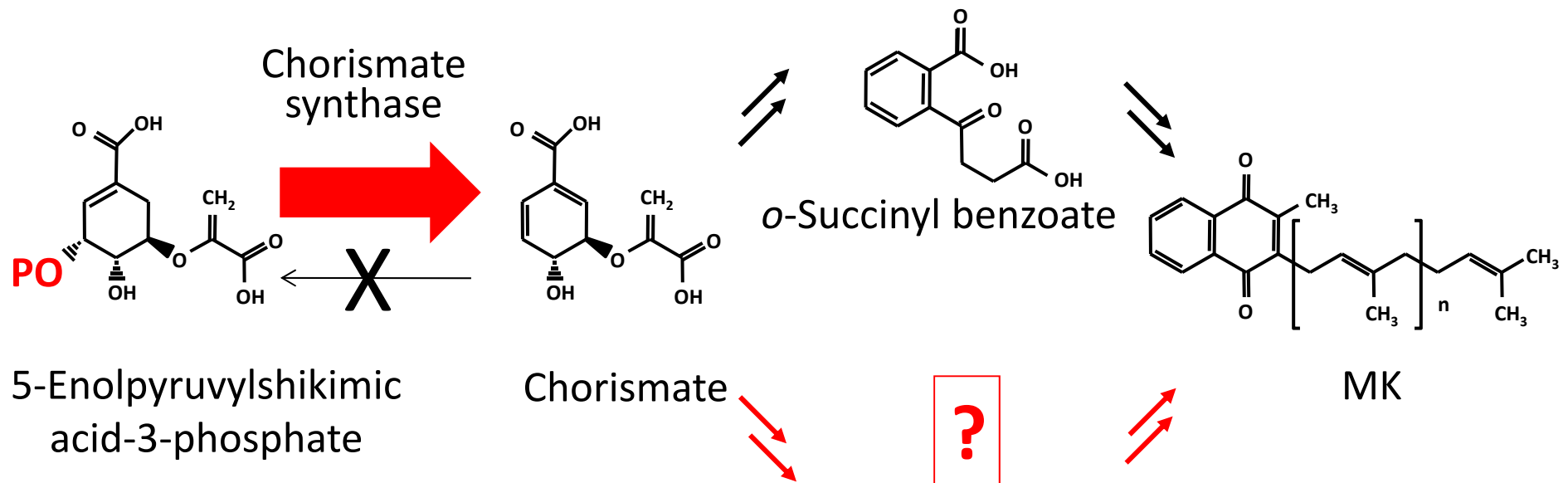
- MK

Some mutants were complemented with *SCO1494*, *SCO1495* and *SCO1496* genes



Characterization of the mutant

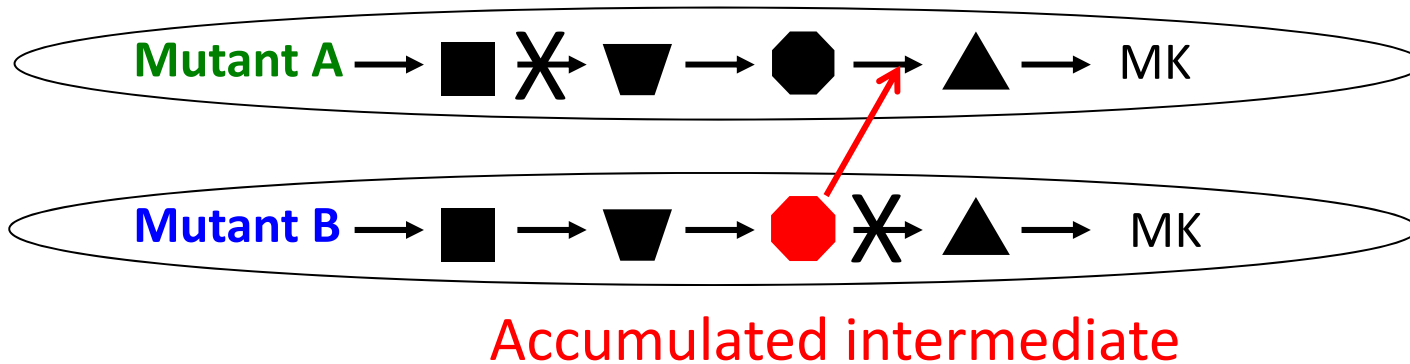
One mutant can grow in the presence of chorismate



SCO4506, SCO4326, SCO4327, SCO4550

Assay method to isolate intermediates

Cultivation of two disruptants independently in the presence of MK



Removal of MK from culture broth of **mutant B**

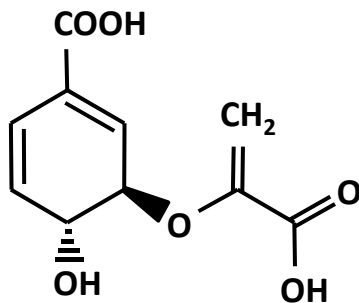
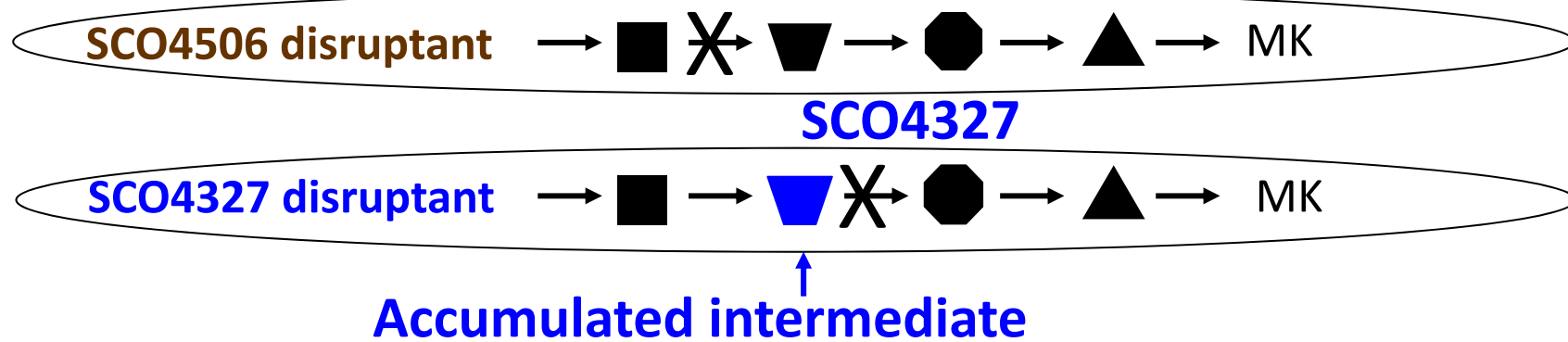
Examination if **mutant A** can grow on the plate containing 

Estimated relative blocked points

SCO4506 → SCO4327 → SCO4550 → SCO4326 → MK

Isolation of an intermediate accumulated in SCO4327 disruptant

Cultivation of two disruptants independently in the presence of MK



Chorismate



SCO4327-disruptant accumulated fotalosine

Cultivate SCO4327 disruptant with MK (5 L)

∇

Extract MK by ethyl acetate

∇

Dowex column chromatography

∇

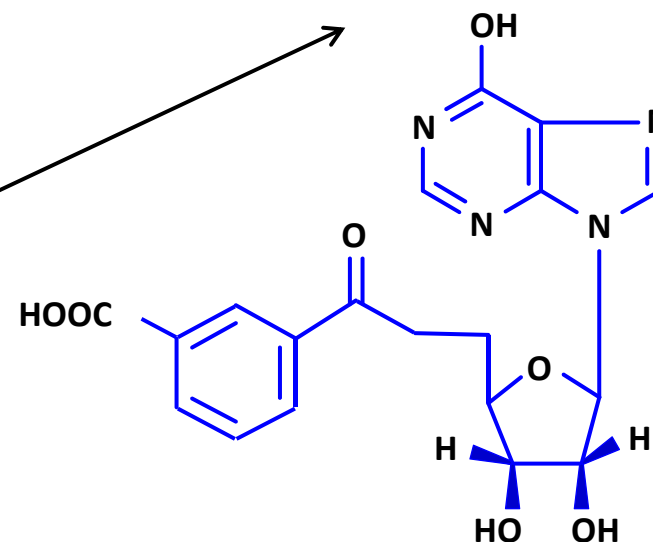
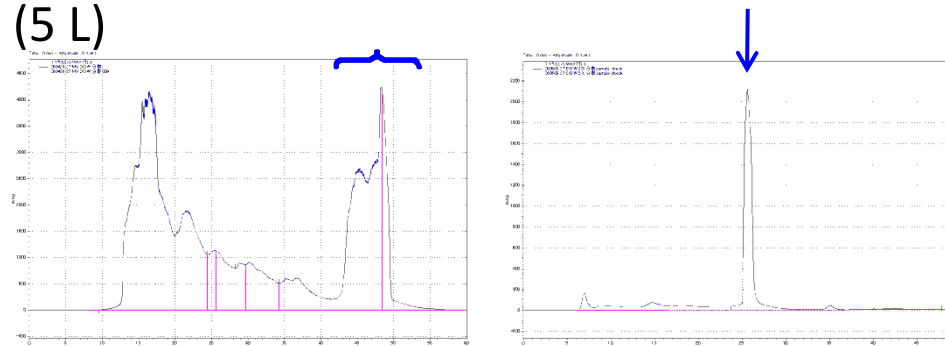
HP20 column chromatography

∇

Preparative HPLC (twice)

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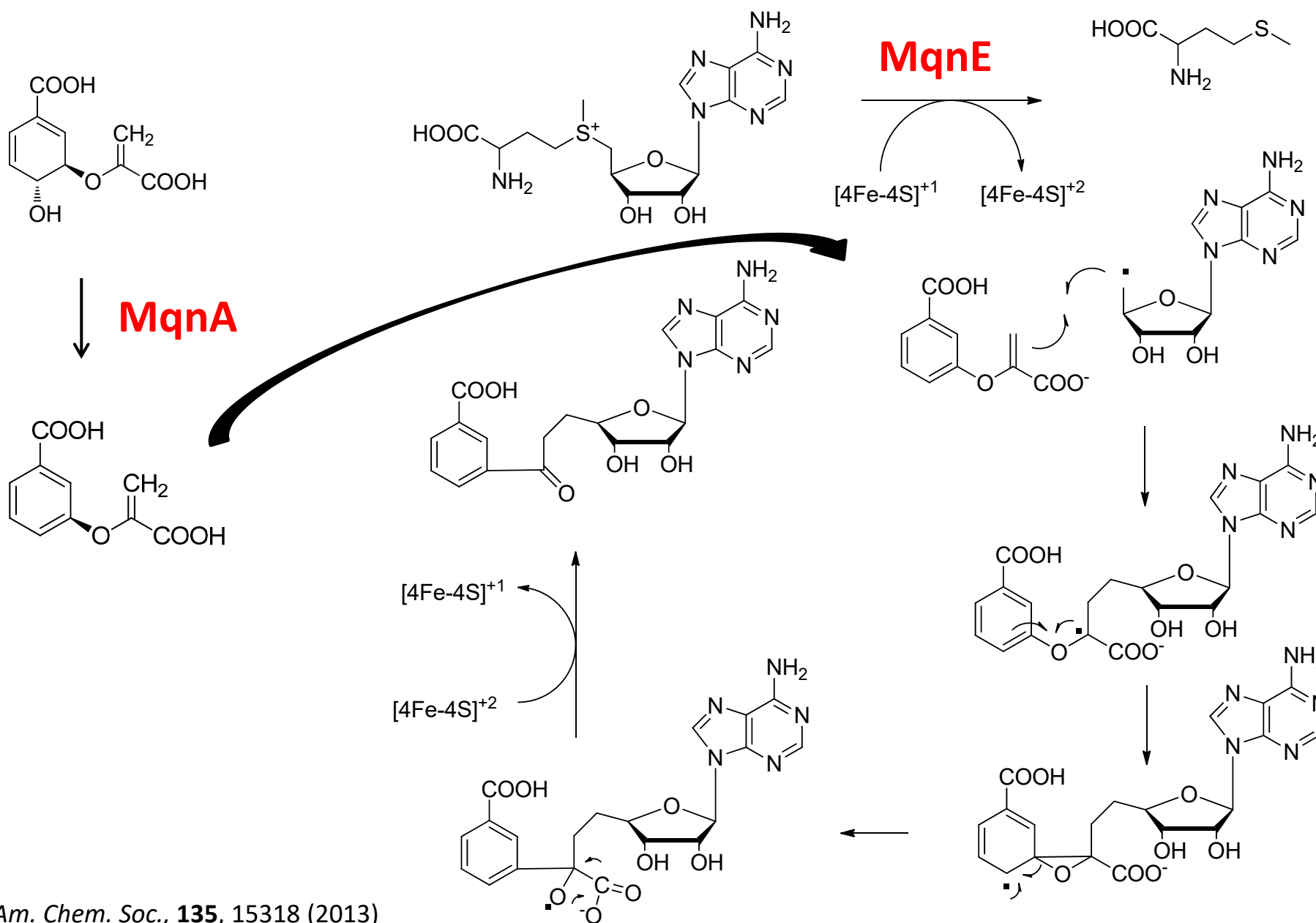
NMR, MS analyses



Fotalosine

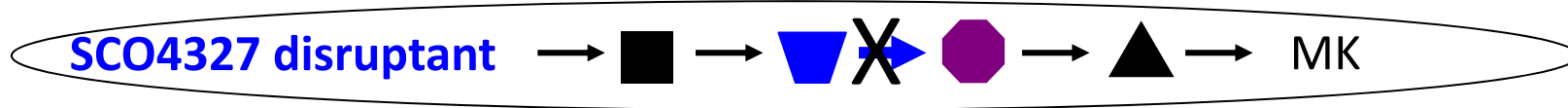
previously isolated from *Streptomyces*
(*Chem. Pharm. Bull.*, **47**, 1032-1034, 1999)

Reactions catalyzed by MqnA & E



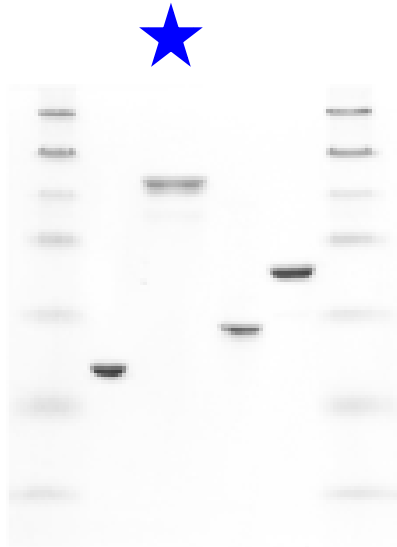
Recombinant TTHA0556 (SCO4327) converted futilosine into the next one

SCO4327

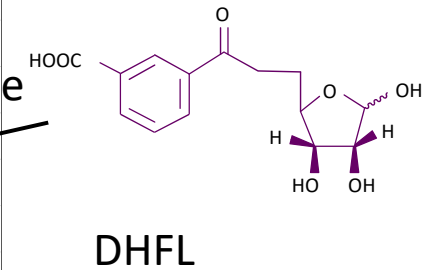
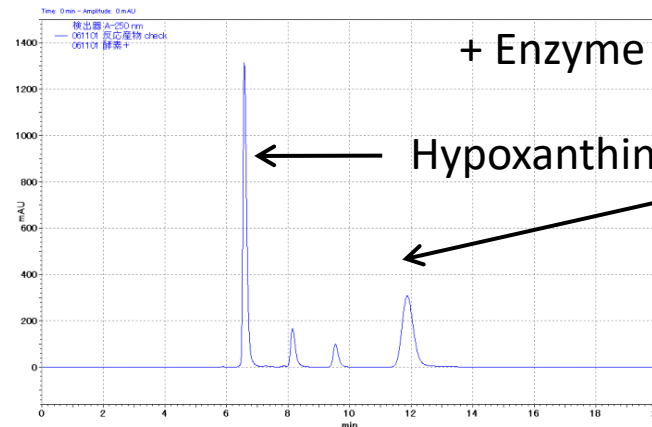
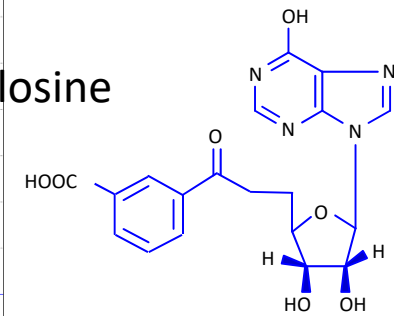
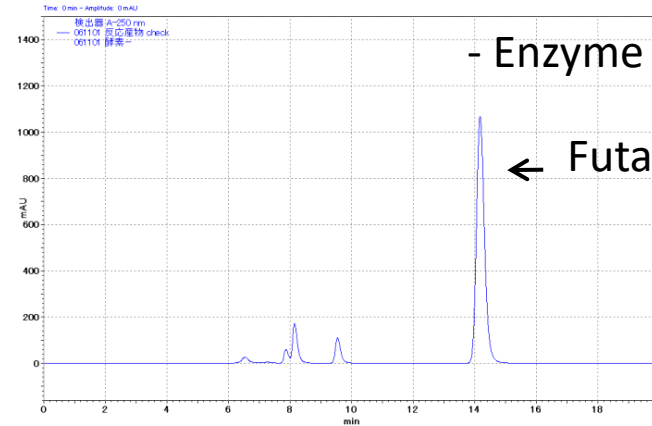


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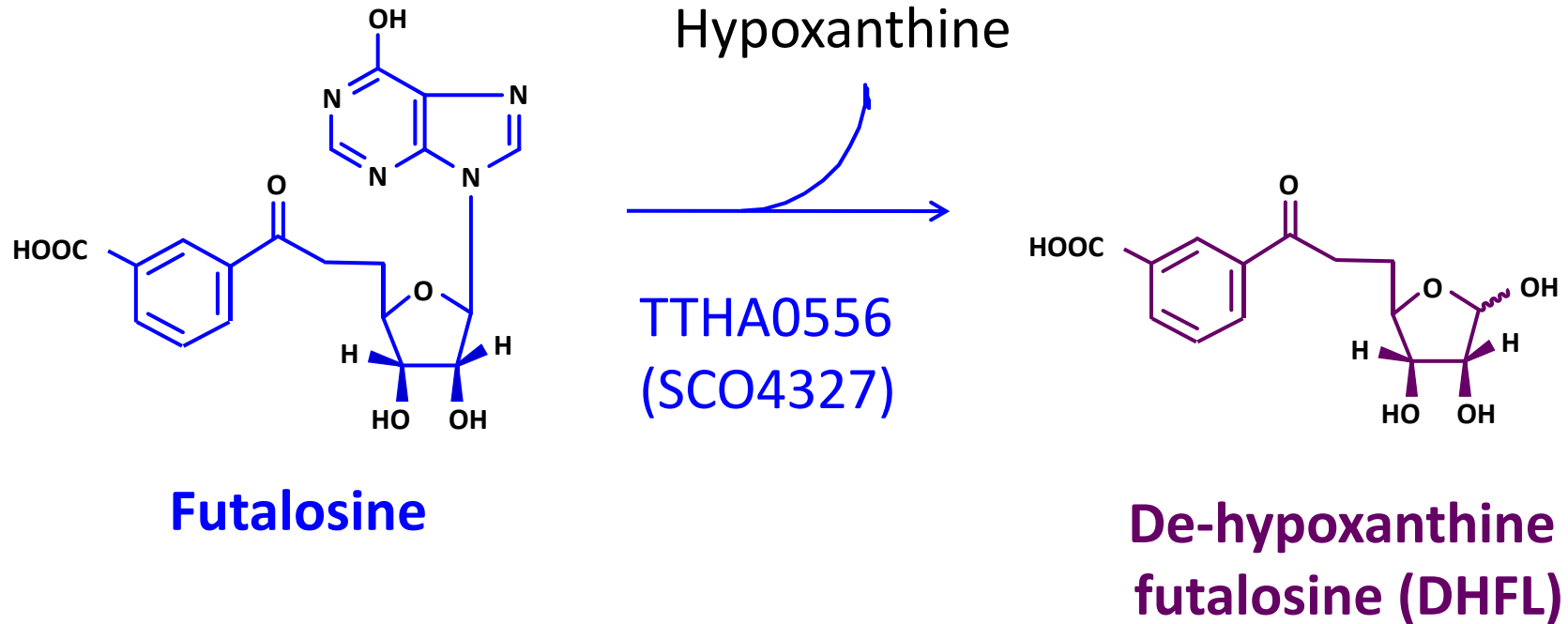
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★ MBP-fused recombinant
TTHA0556
(An orthologue of SCO4327
in *Thermus thermophilus* HB8)

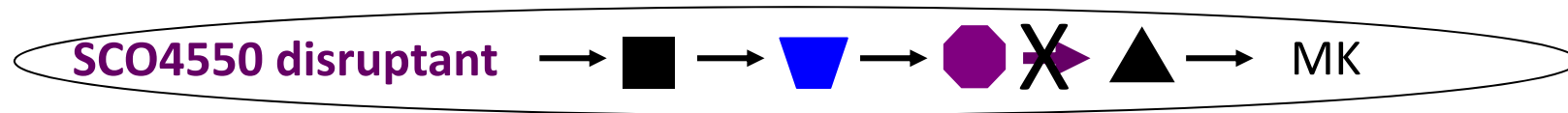


SCO4327 catalyzed the reaction to release hypoxanthine



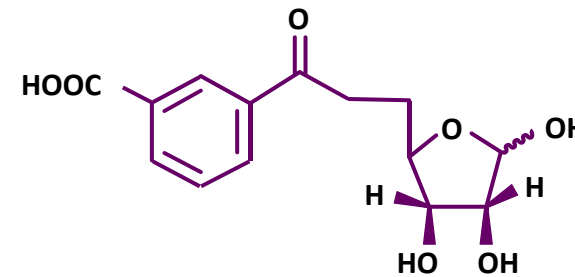
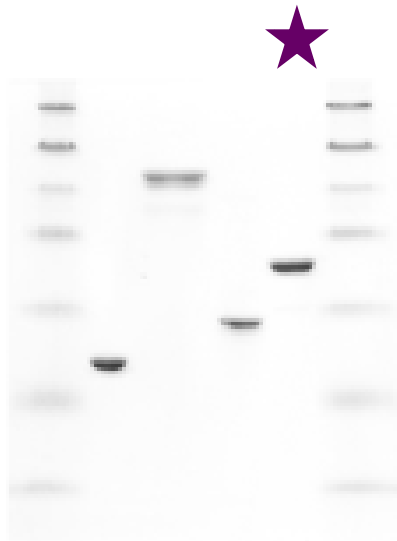
An attempt to convert DHFL to the next one by recombinant TTHA1092 (SCO4550)

SCO4550



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DHFL

TTHA1092
(SCO45507)

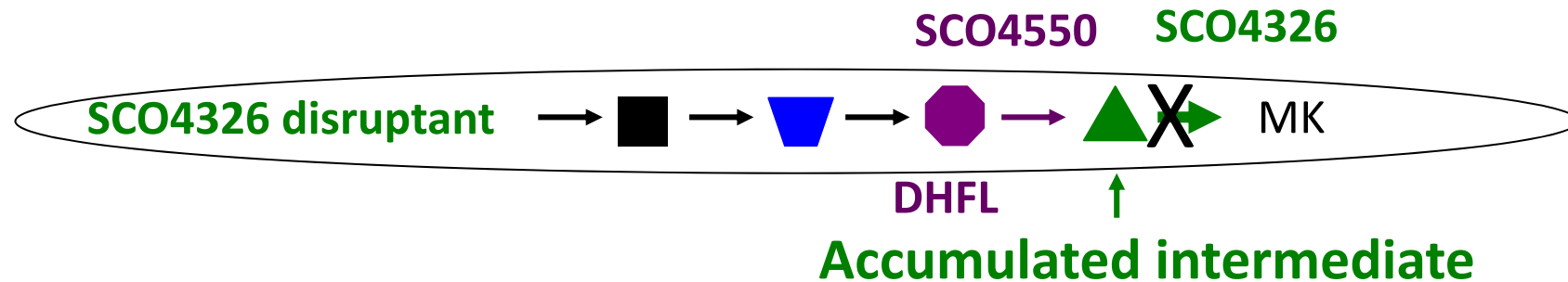


No products

★ MBP-fused recombinant
TTHA1092
(An orthologue of SCO4550
in *Thermus thermophilus* HB8)

Isolation of an intermediate accumulated in SCO4326 disruptant

Cultivation of **SCO4326** disruptant in the presence of MK



Bioassay with **SCO4506** disruptant



An intermediate accumulated in SCO4326 disruptant

Cultivate SCO4326 disruptant with MK (5 L)

∇

Extract MK by ethyl acetate

∇

Dowex column chromatography

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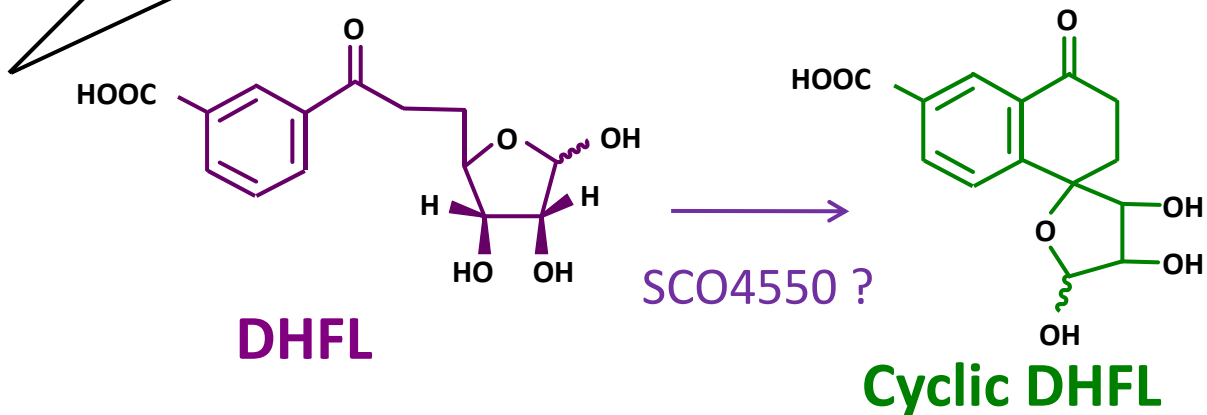
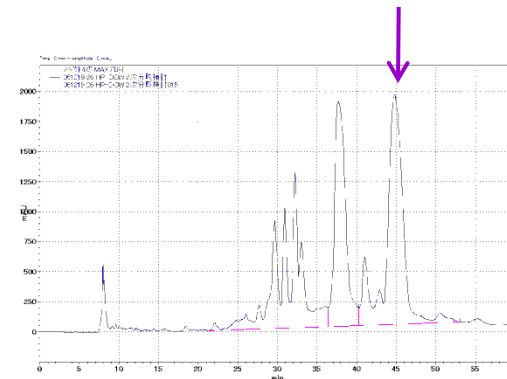
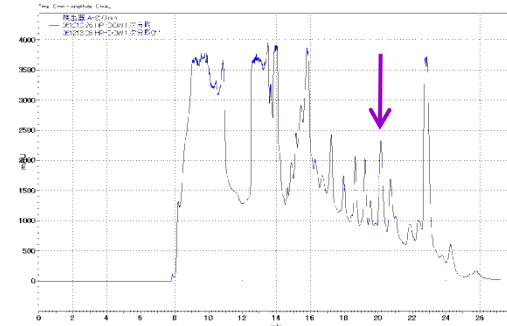
HP20 column chromatography

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Preparative HPLC (twice)

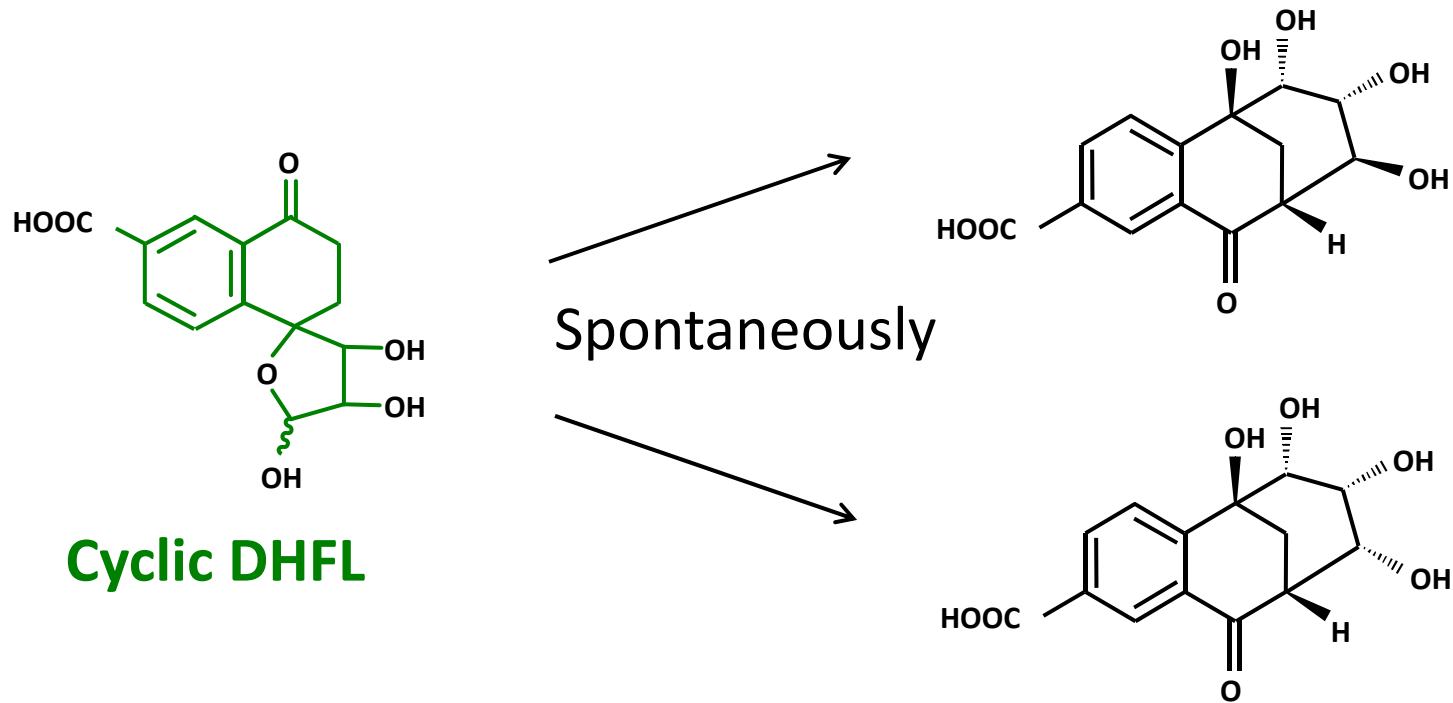
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NMR, MS analyses

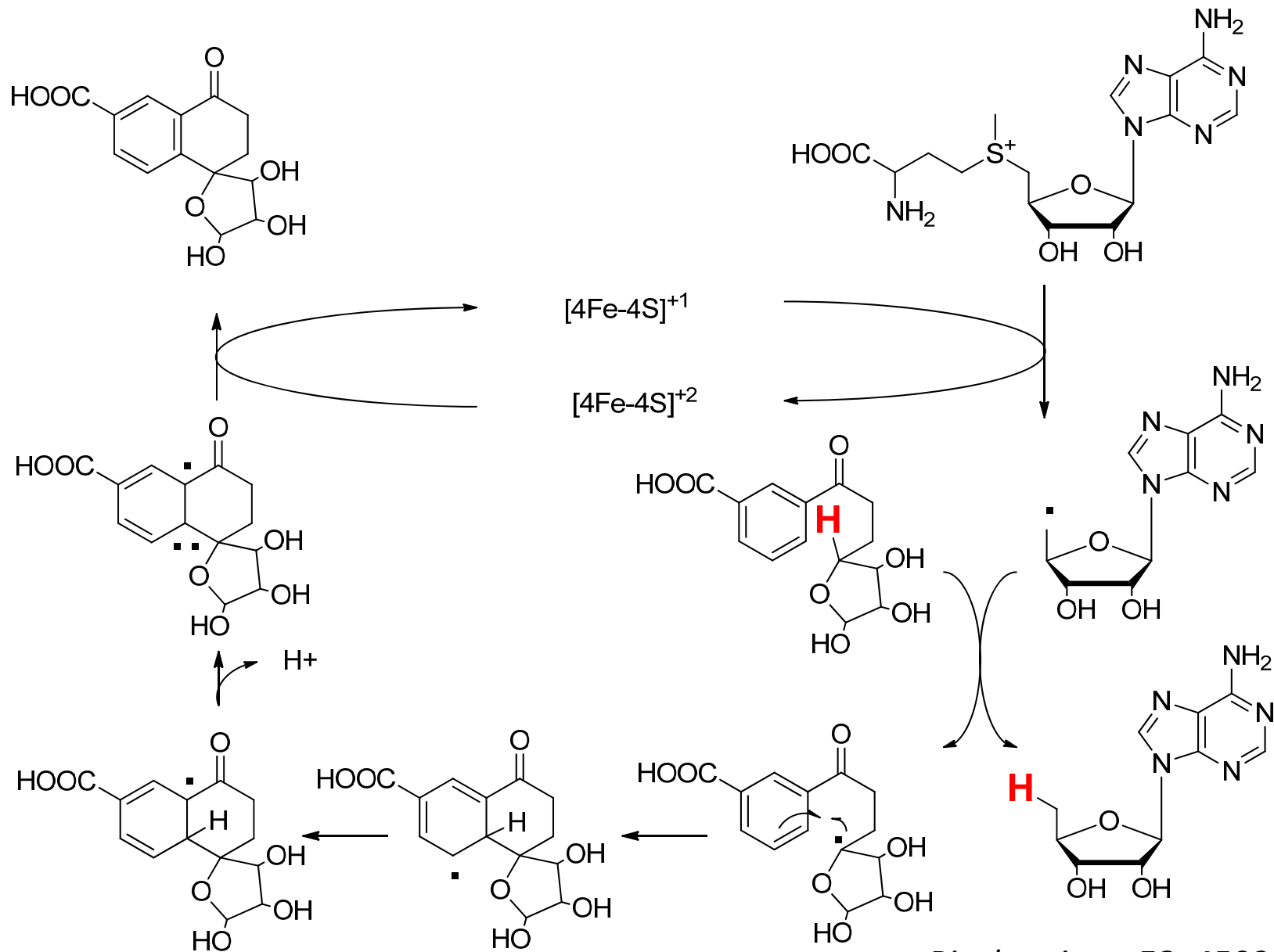


Cyclic DHFL was easily converted to shunt products

1 year to purify **cyclic DHFL**



Reaction catalyzed by MqnC



Reaction catalyzed by TTHA1568 (SCO4326)

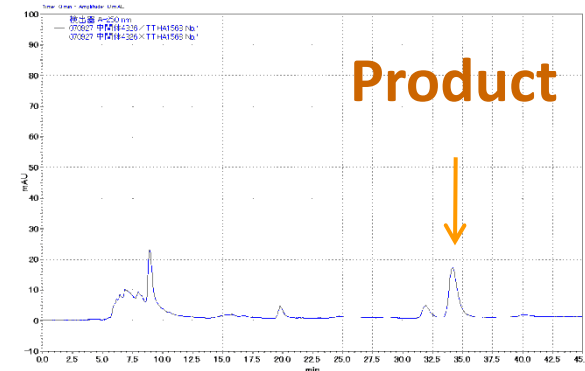
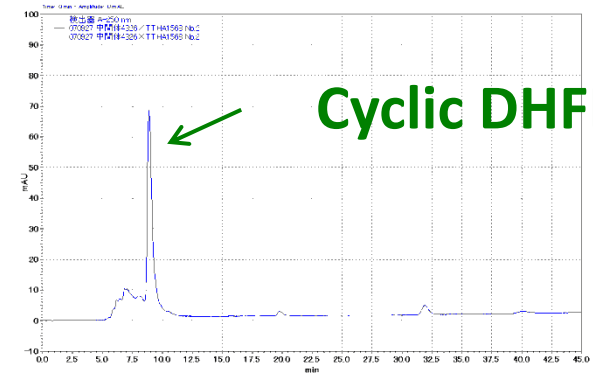


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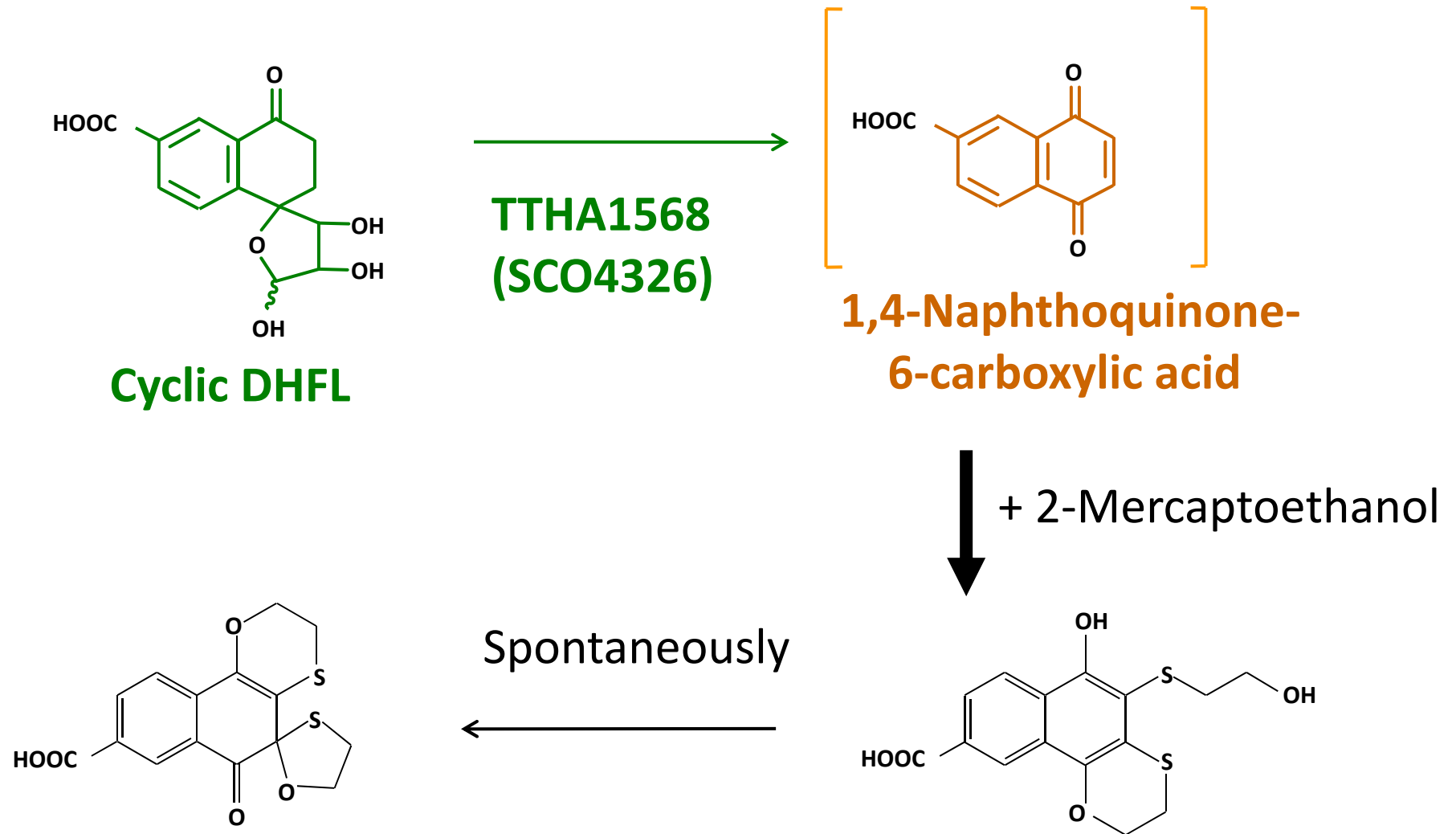
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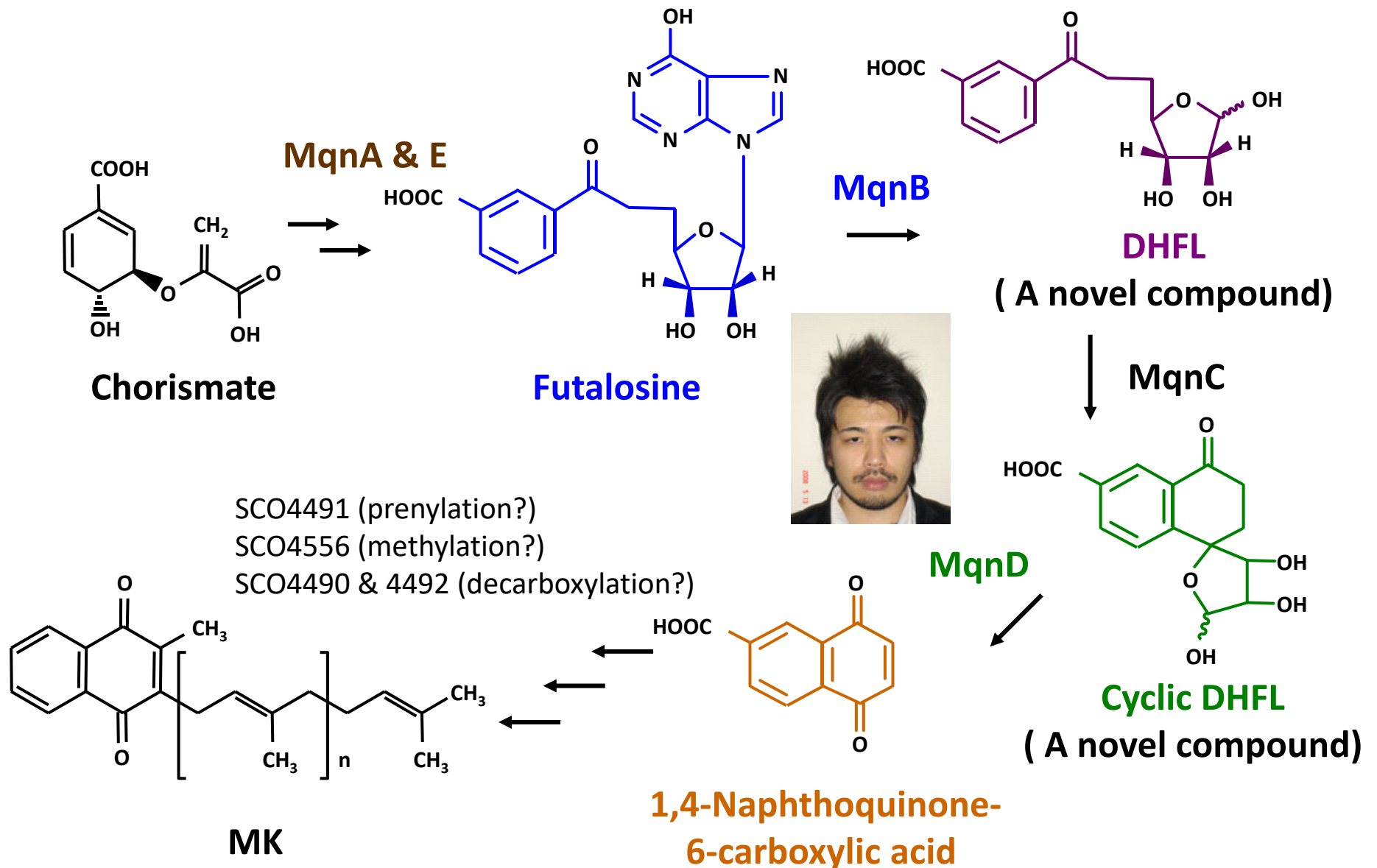
★ His-tagged recombinant
TTHA1568
(an orthologue of SCO4326
in *Thermus thermophilus* HB8)



Reaction product reacts on 2-mercaptoethanol



Novel pathway for MK biosynthesis



Science, **321**, 1670-1673 (2008).

Distribution of the pathway

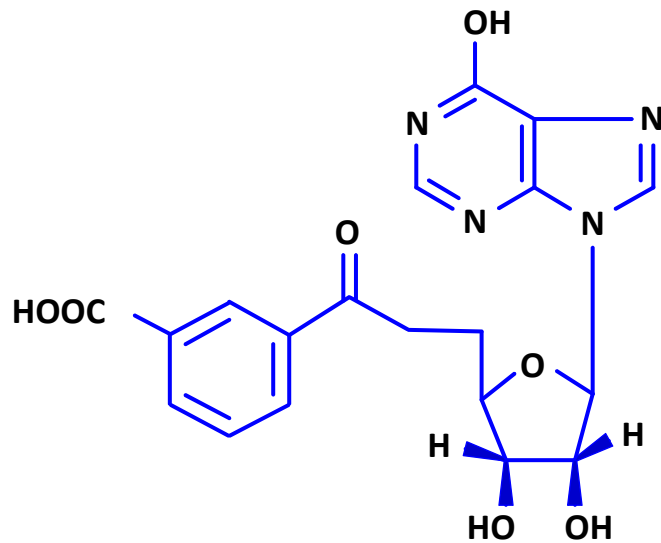
At least three orthologs were identified in the following microorganisms:

- Epsilon category (Gram positive) (*Helicobacter, Wolinella, Thiomicrospira, Campylobacter, Arcobacter, Nitratiruptor, Sulfurovum*)
- Delta category (Gram negative) (*Geobacter, Pelobacter, Desulfovibrio, Desulfococcus, Anaeromyxobacter, Syntrophobacter*)
- Acidobacteria (Gram negative) (*Acidobacteria, Solibacter*)
- Synergistetes (Gram negative) (*Syntrophomonas*)
- Bacillales of Firmicutes (Gram positive) (*Bacillus halodurans Bacillus clausii*)
- Lactobacillus category of Firmicutes (Gram positive) (*Symbiobacterium*)
- Clostridia category of Firmicutes (Gram positive) (*Carboxydotherrmus, Desulfotomaculum, Pelotomaculum, Desulforudis, Heliobacterium, Moorella*)
- Actinobacteria (Gram positive) (*Streptomyces, Frankia, Acidothermus, Salinispora*)
- Planctomyces (Gram negative) (*Rhodopirellula*)
- Chlamydia (Gram negative) (*Chlamydia, Chlamydophila*)
- Spirochete (Gram negative) (*Leptospira*)
- Green nonsulfur bacteria (Gram positive) (*Herpetosiphon*)
- Deinococcus-Thermus (Gram positive) (*Deinococcus, Thermus*)
- Hyperthermophilic bacteria (Gram negative) (*Aquifex*)
- Archaea: Euryarchaeota (*Archaeoglobus, Thermoplasma*)
- Crenarchaeota (*Ignicoccus, Pyrobaculum, Caldivirga, Thermoproteus, Nitrosopumilus*)

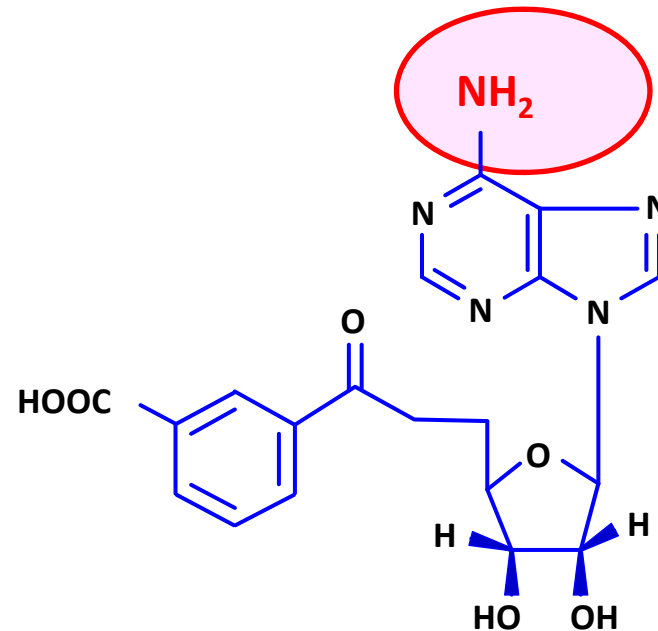
No bacteria possessing both classical and alternative pathways

No bacteria possessing both ubiquinone and alternative pathways

ADF is an intermediate of fufalosine pathway
in some bacteria including *H. pylori*



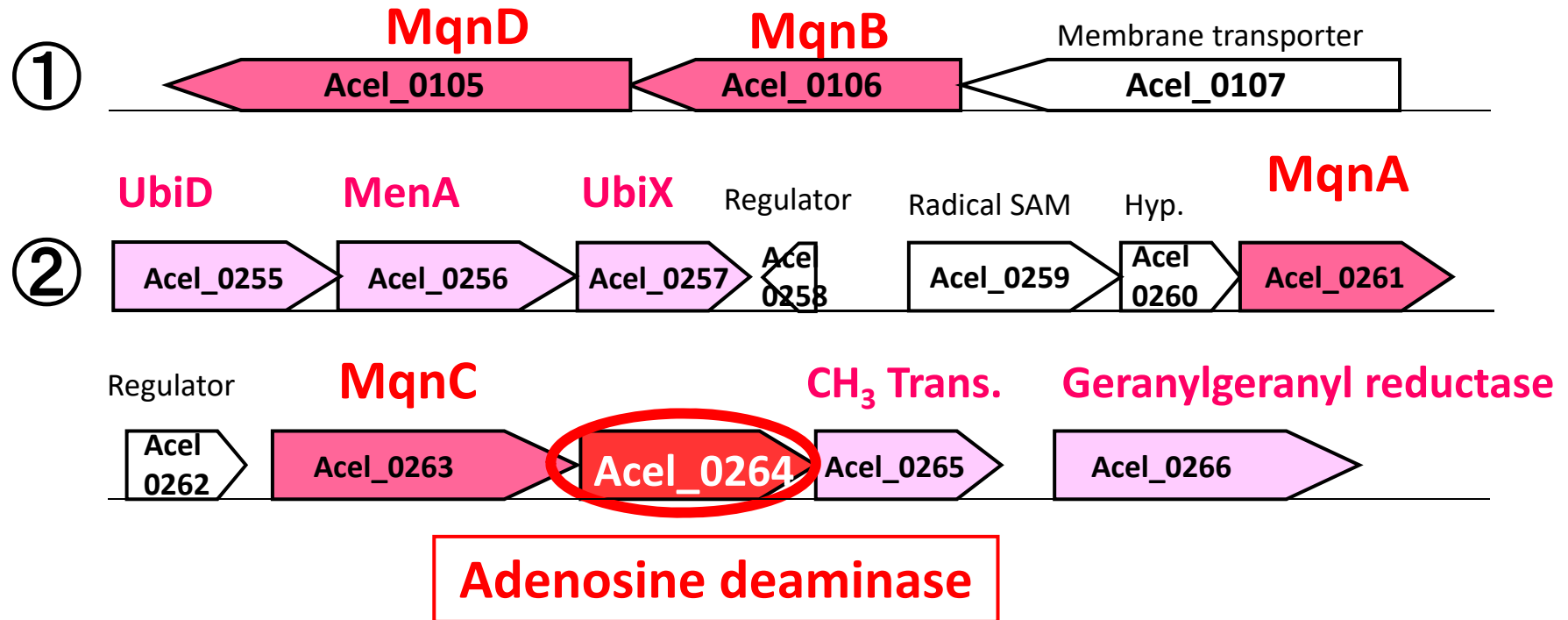
Fufalosine



Aminodeoxyfufalosine
(ADF)

Aminodeoxyfutasine (ADF) is an intermediate ?

MK biosynthetic genes were clustered in two loci in *Acidothermus cellulolyticus* (actinobacterium)

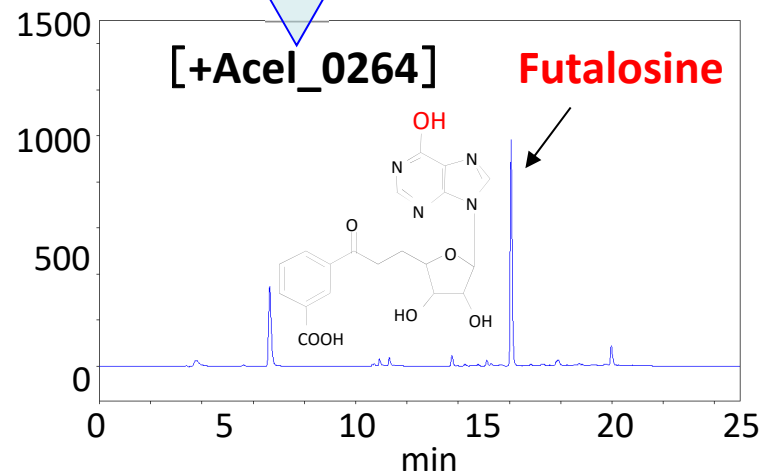
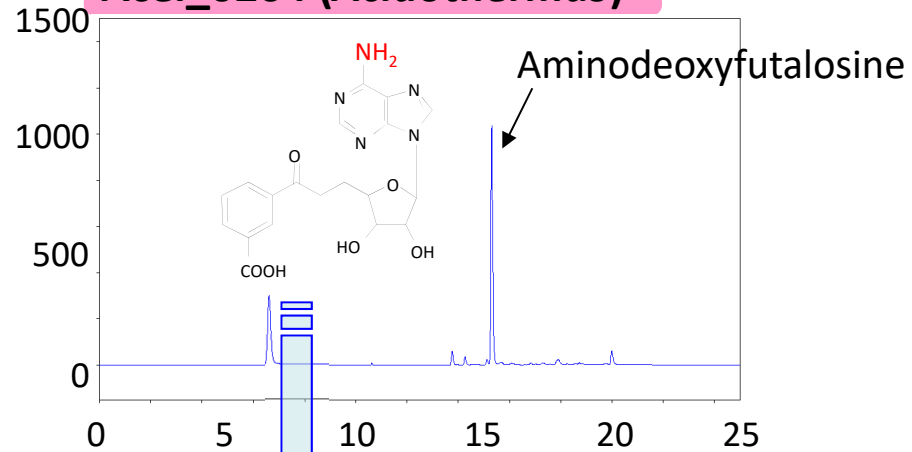


Adenine, Adenosine » Hypoxanthine, Inosine in a cell

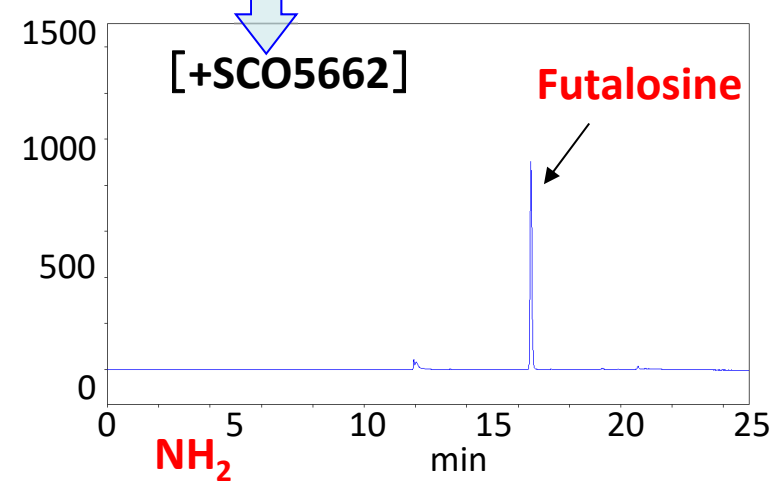
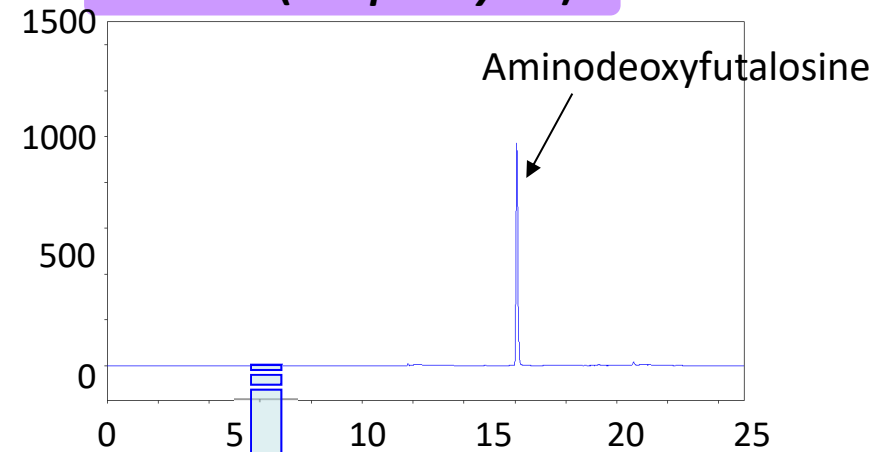
Functional analysis of adenosine deaminases

Substrate: **Aminodeoxyfutasine**

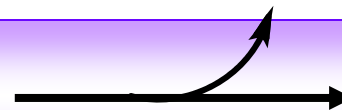
Acel_0264 (*Acidothermus*)



SCO5662 (*Streptomyces*)



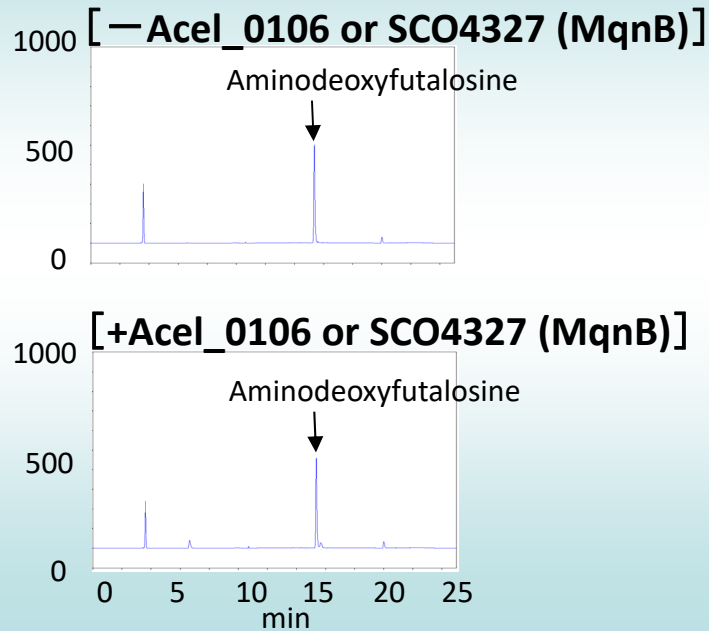
Aminodeoxyadenosine



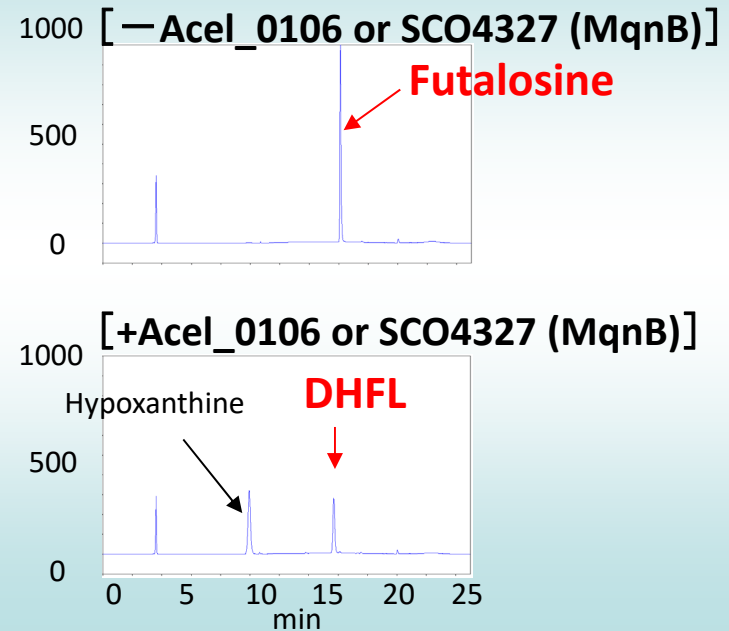
Futasine

Functional analysis of fufalosine hydrolase

Substrate: **Aminodeoxyfufalosine**

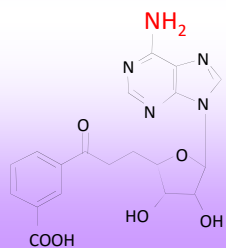


Substrate: **Fufalosine**



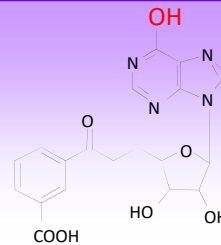
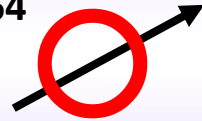
● *Acidothermus cellulolyticus*

● *Streptomyces*



**Aminodeoxy
fufalosine**

Acel_0264
SCO5662



Fufalosine

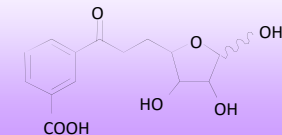
MqnB



Acel_0106
SCO4327



DHFL

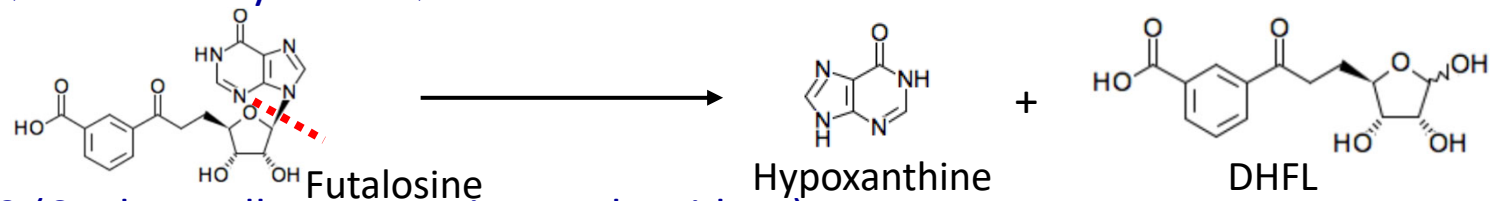


MqnB in *Helicobacter pylori*

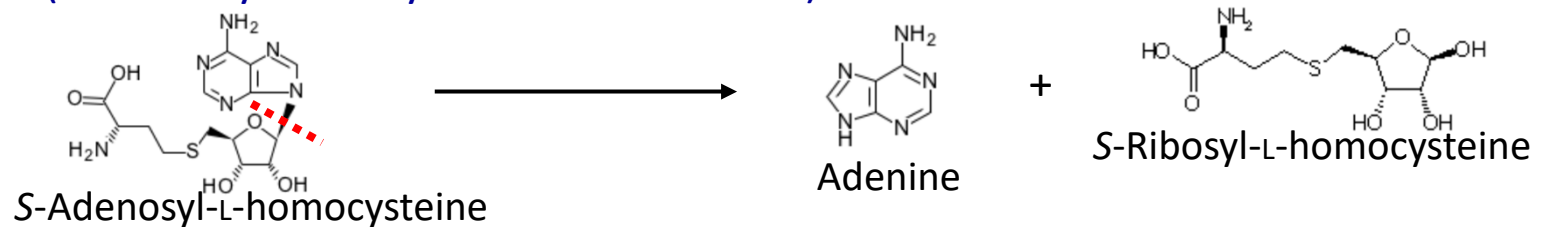
Enzyme	<i>S. coelicolor</i>	<i>H. pylori</i>	E Value
MqnA	SCO4506	HP0778	$7 \times e^{-04}$
MqnB	SCO4327	HP0089	0.18
MqnC	SCO4550	HP0656	$1 \times e^{-84}$
MqnD	SCO4326	HP0152	$1 \times e^{-19}$

**Low
similarity**

● MqnB (futalosine hydrolase)



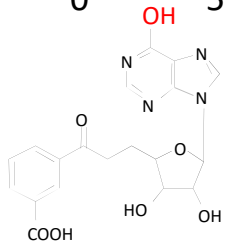
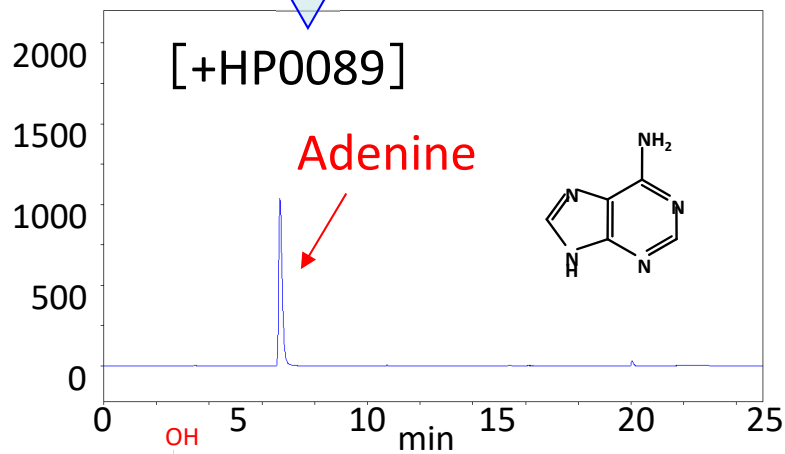
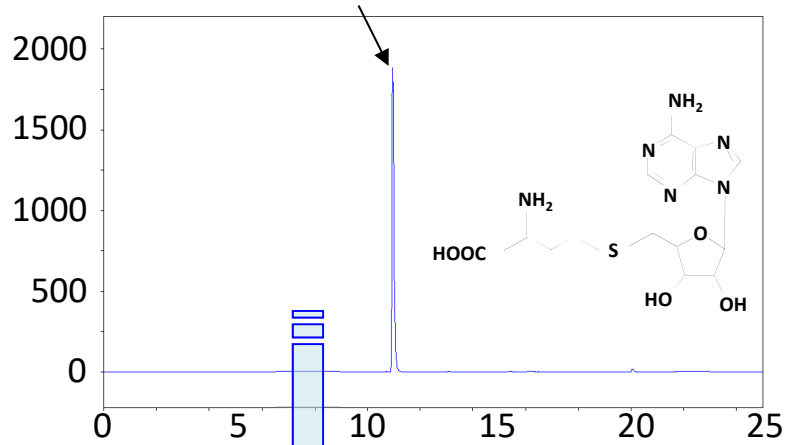
● HP0089 (*S*-adenosylhomocysteine nucleosidase)



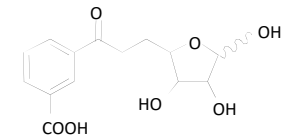
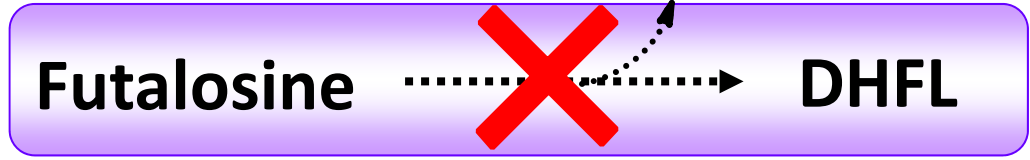
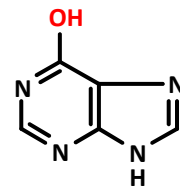
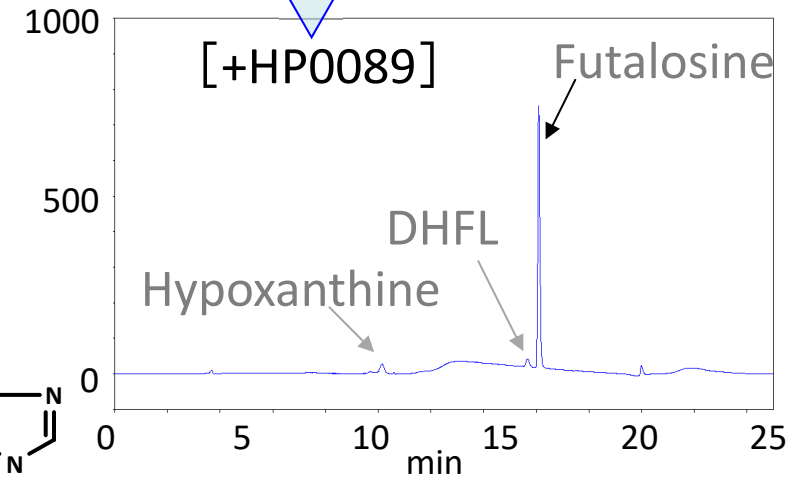
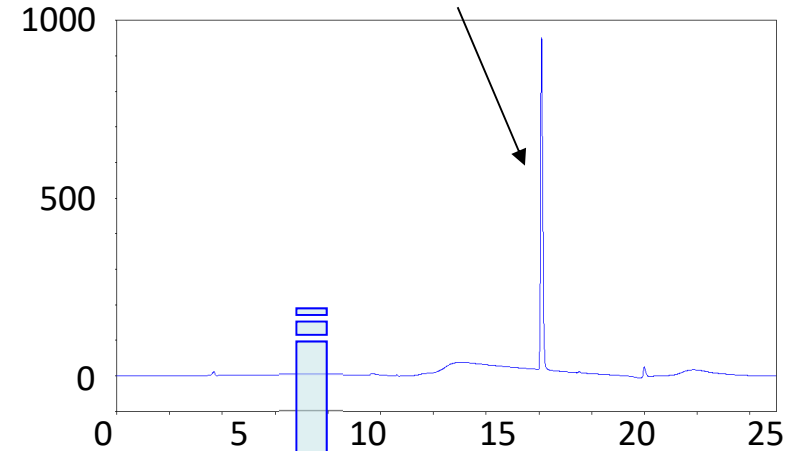
Does HP0089 function as MqnB ? \Rightarrow *in vitro* analysis

Functional analysis of HP0089 (futalosine hydrolase)

Substrate: **S-adenosyl-L-homocysteine (control)**

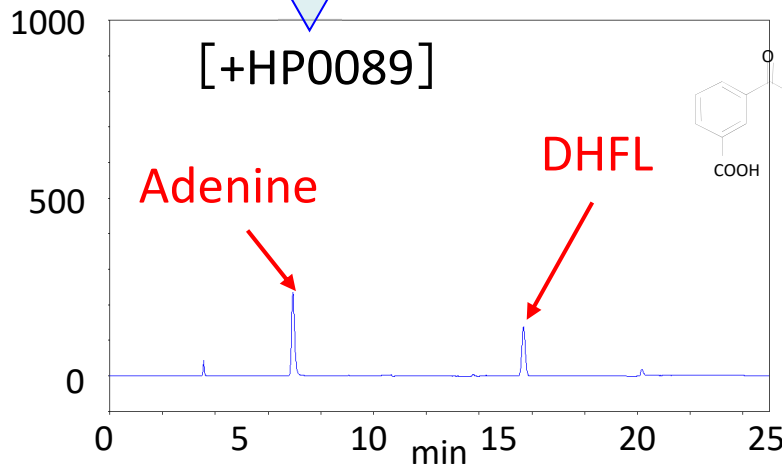
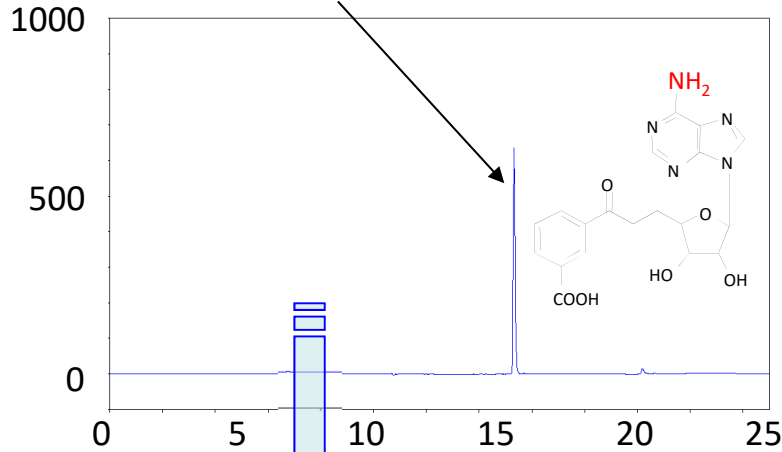


Substrate: **Futalosine**

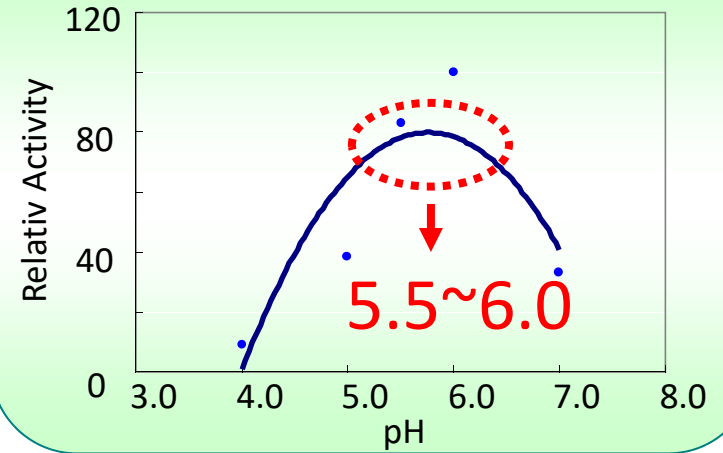


Functional analysis of HP0089 (futalosine hydrolase)

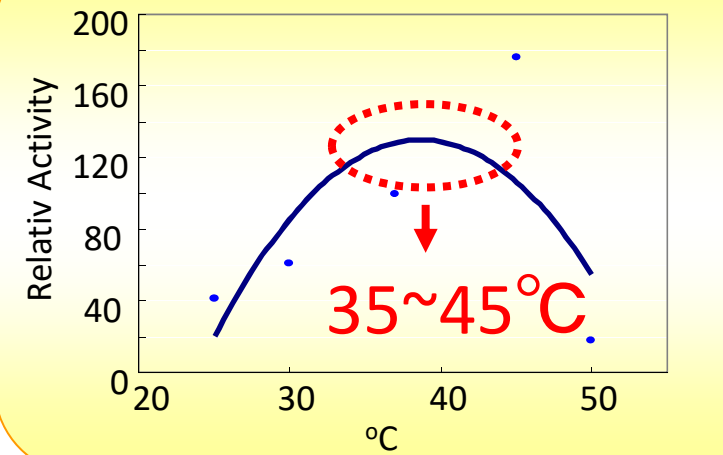
Substrate: **Aminodeoxyfutalosine**



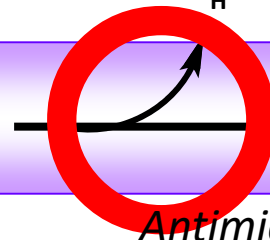
Optimal pH (37°C, pH 6.0 = 100)



Optimal Temp. (pH 6.0, 37°C = 100)

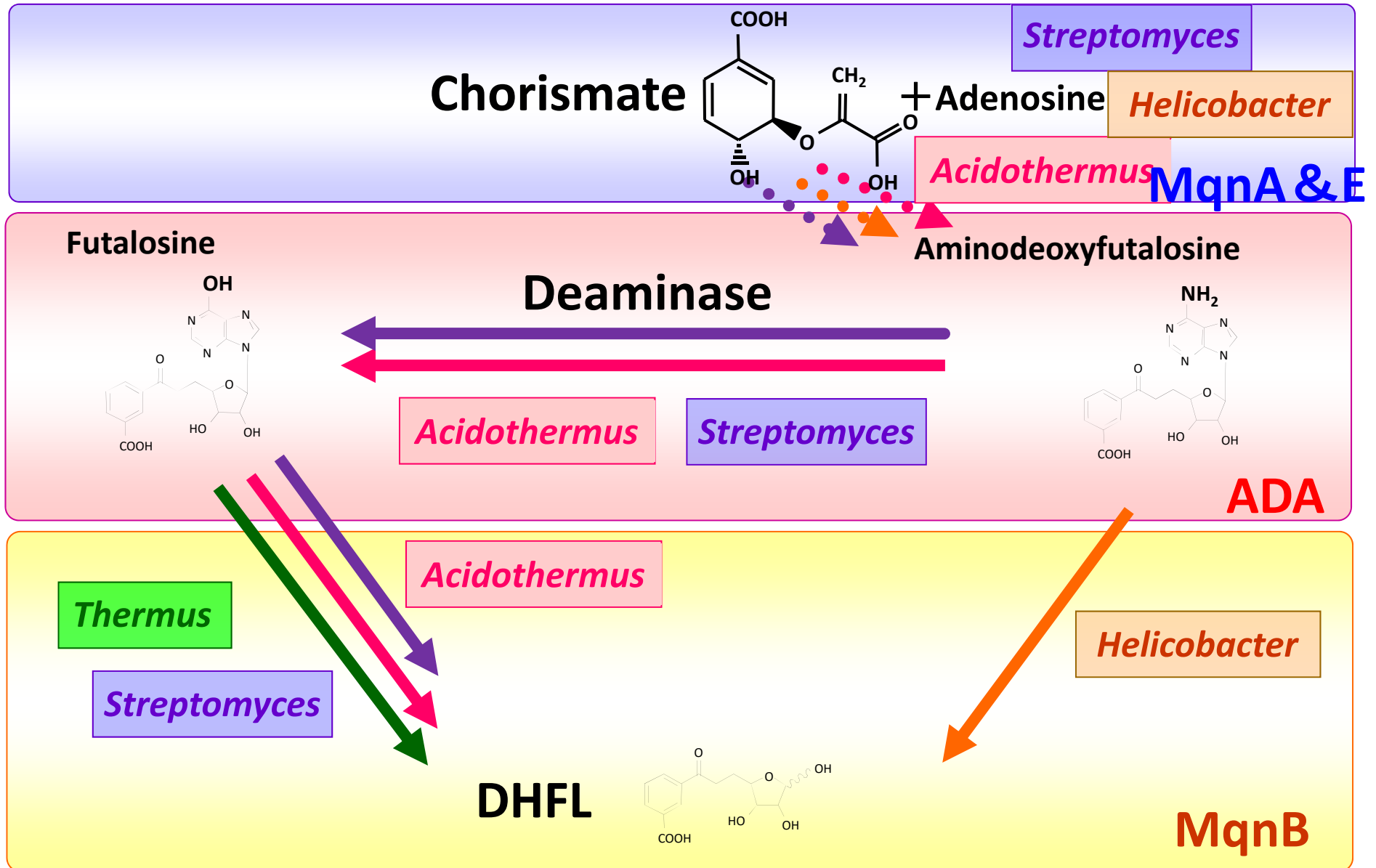


Aminodeoxyfutalosine



DHFL

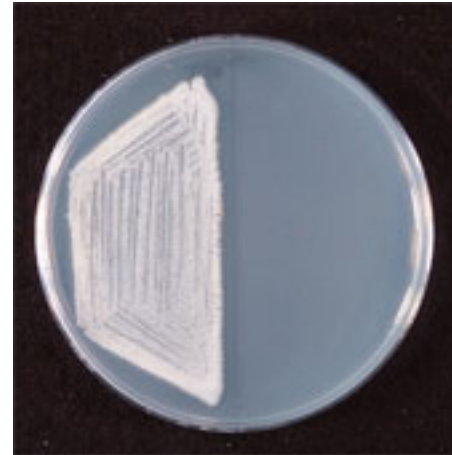
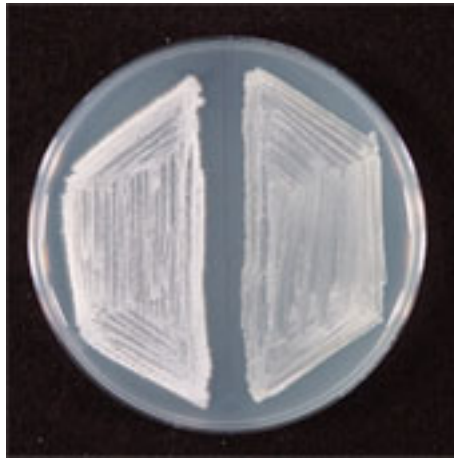
Diversity of the early step of MK pathway



Menaquinone is essential for growth

Left; Wild strain

Right; MqnD-disruptant



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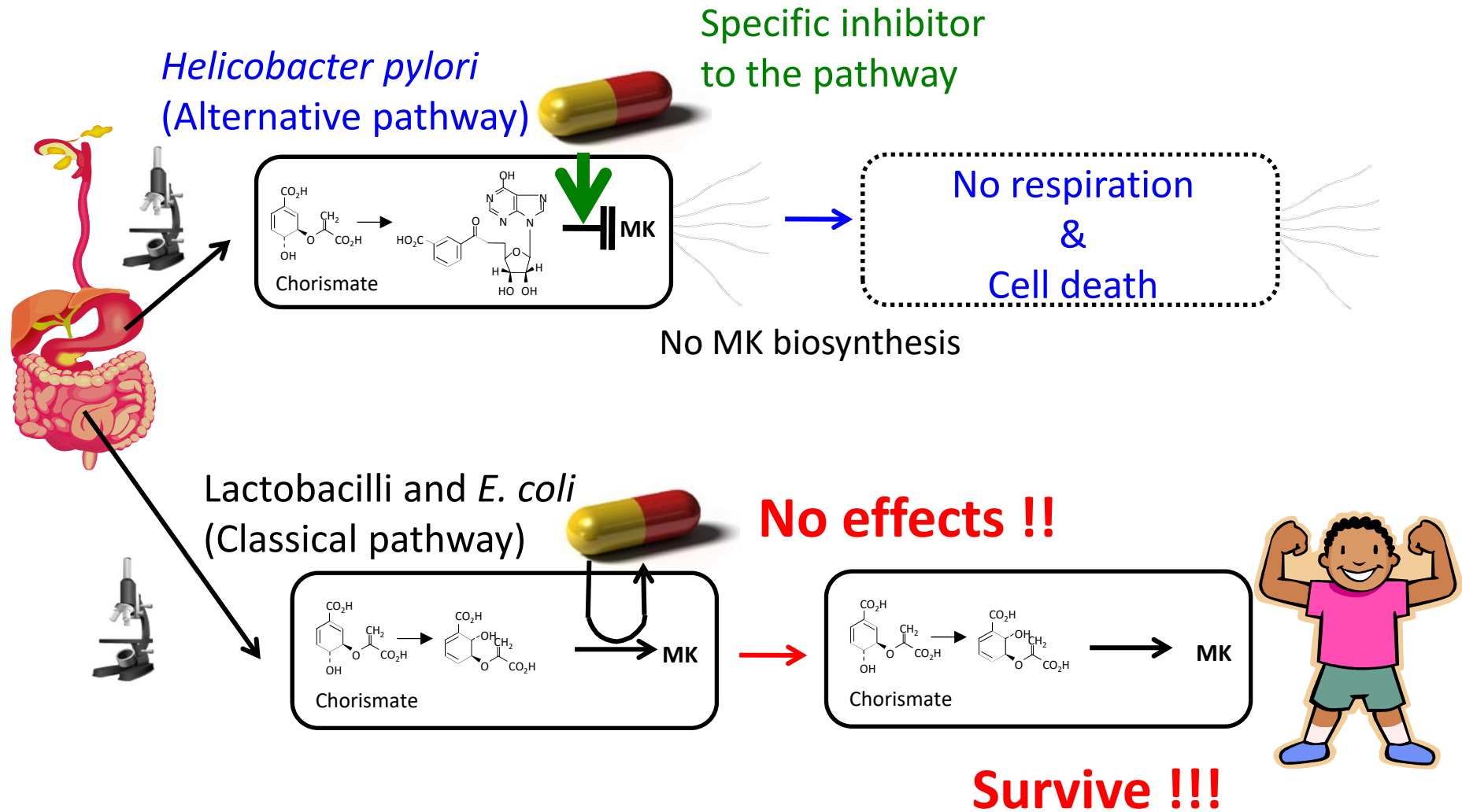
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Menaquinone

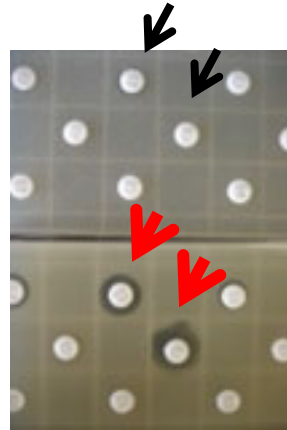
Mqn genes-disrupted mutants required menaquinone (0.2 mg/mL) for their growth

An attractive target for the chemotherapeutics to *Helicobacter pylori*



An example for screening of inhibitors

Bioassay with paper disk



Bacillus subtilis
(+ classical pathway)

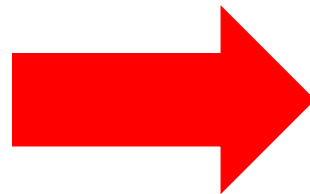
Bacillus halodurans
(+ new pathway)

Re-confirmation
by liquid cultivation

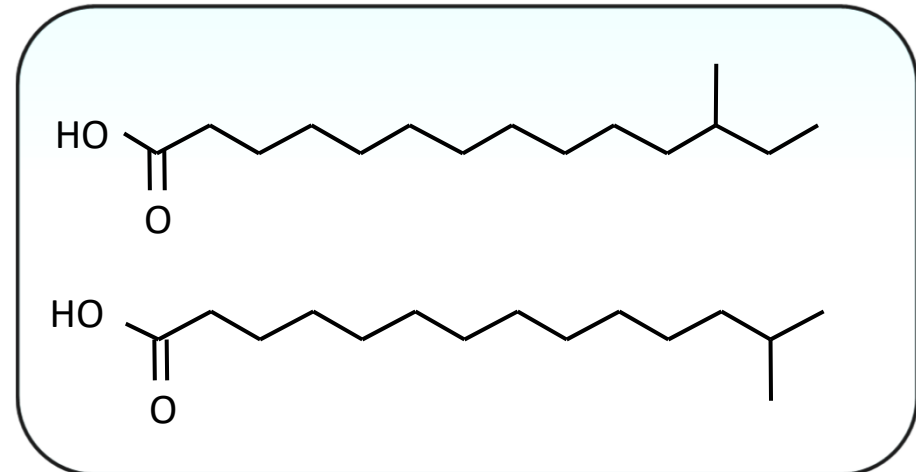
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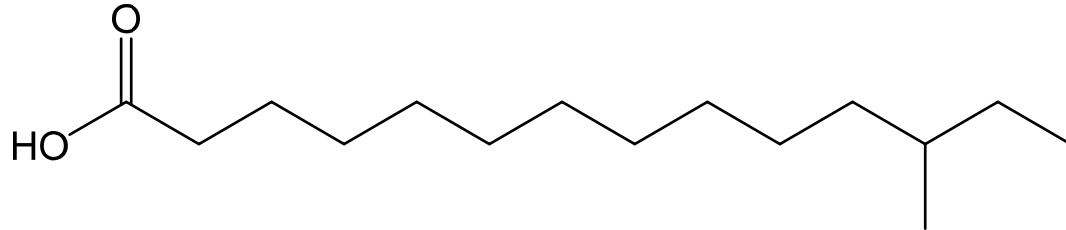
1, +solvent
2, +sample
3, +sample+MK



Purification
Structure

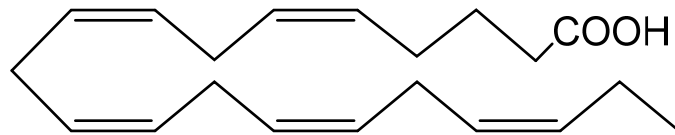


Identified Inhibitors



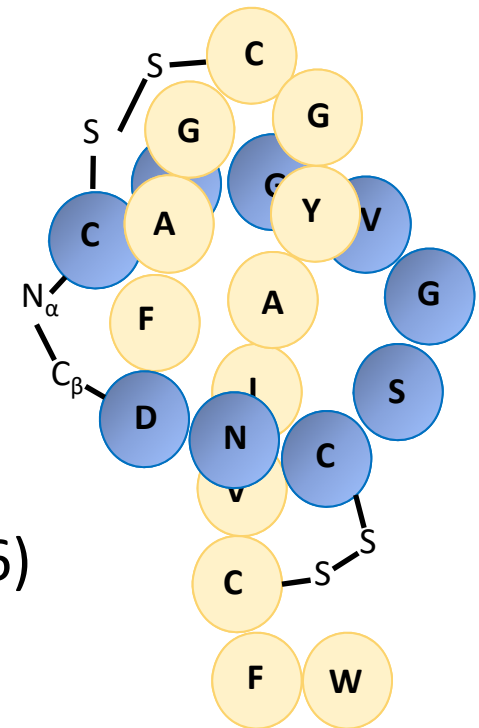
12-Methyltetradecanoic acid MIC 32 mg/ml

J. Antibiot., **64**, 151 (2011)



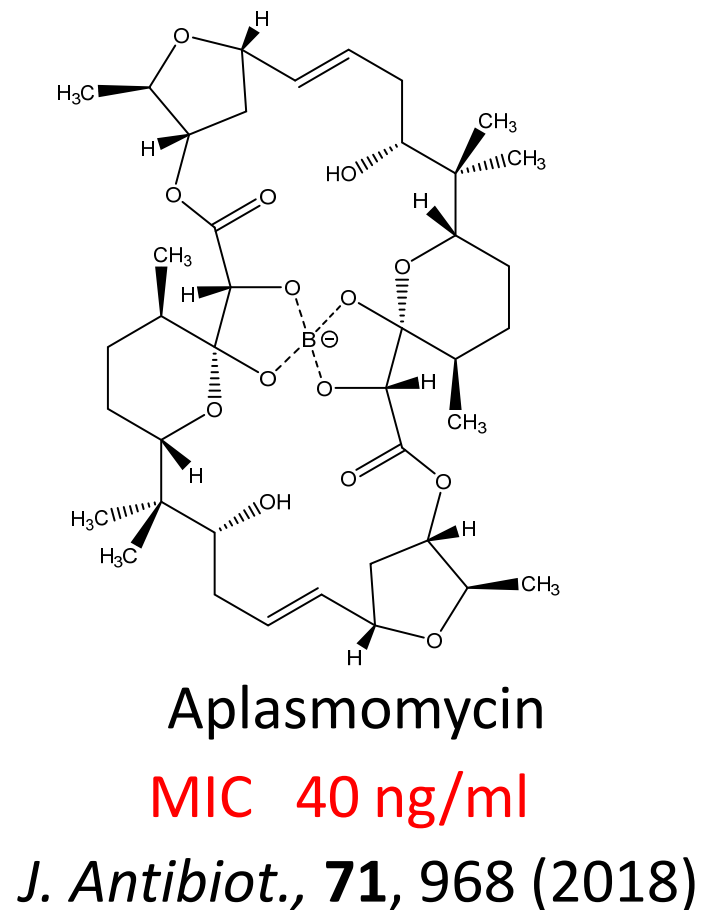
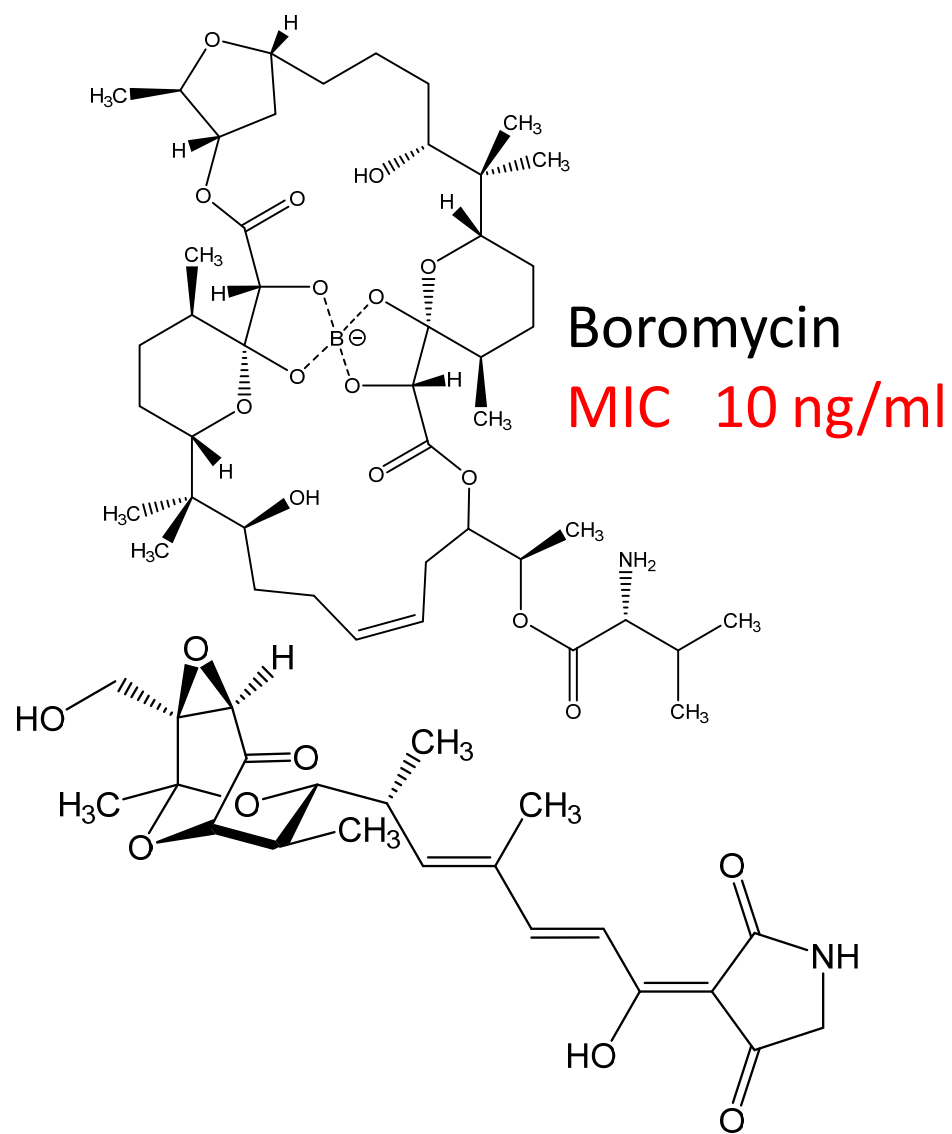
EPA MIC 30 mg/ml

J. Infect. Chemother., **22**, 587 (2016)



Siamycin I MIC 10 mg/ml

Identified Inhibitors



Tirandamycin B **MIC 1 mg/ml** *J. Antibiot.*, **70**, 798 (2017)