

Supplementary information

Title:

**Fine-tuning of the substrate binding mode to enhance the catalytic efficiency of
an *ortho*-haloacetophenones-specific carbonyl reductase**

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Table S1 PCR primers used for mutants construction

Mutants	Primers ^a
Q139S	TCGTAGCTGGCAAA <u>AGC</u> CAGGCAGTAGAAGATATTGCTG TCTTCTACTGCCTG <u>GCT</u> TTTGCCAGCTACGAGCGCTAGA
Q139A	TCGTAGCTGGCAAA <u>GCA</u> CAGGCAGTAGAAGATATTGCTG TCTTCTACTGCCTG <u>TGC</u> TTTGCCAGCTACGAGCGCTAGA
Q139D	TCGTAGCTGGCAAA <u>GAC</u> CAGGCAGTAGAAGATATTGCTG TCTTCTACTGCCTG <u>GTC</u> TTTGCCAGCTACGAGCGCTAGA
Q139L	TCGTAGCTGGCAAA <u>CTC</u> CAGGCAGTAGAAGATATTGCTG TCTTCTACTGCCTG <u>GAG</u> TTTGCCAGCTACGAGCGCTAGA
Q139N	TCGTAGCTGGCAAA <u>AAT</u> CAGGCAGTAGAAGATATTGCTG TCTTCTACTGCCTG <u>ATT</u> TTTGCCAGCTACGAGCGCTAGA
D253Y	CAGGCTTTGGACAA <u>TAT</u> ACACCTTTGCAGCGTGCTGGTC CGCTGCAAAGGTGT <u>ATA</u> TTGTCCAAAGCCTGGAATAGCG
D253E	CAGGCTTTGGACAA <u>GAA</u> ACACCTTTGCAGCGTGCTGGTC CGCTGCAAAGGTGT <u>TTC</u> TTGTCCAAAGCCTGGAATAGCG
D253Q	CAGGCTTTGGACAA <u>CAA</u> ACACCTTTGCAGCGTGCTGGTC CGCTGCAAAGGTGT <u>TTG</u> TTGTCCAAAGCCTGGAATAGCG
D253L	CAGGCTTTGGACAA <u>CTC</u> ACACCTTTGCAGCGTGCTGGTC CGCTGCAAAGGTGT <u>GAG</u> TTGTCCAAAGCCTGGAATAGCG
D253F	CAGGCTTTGGACAA <u>TTT</u> ACACCTTTGCAGCGTGCTGGTC CGCTGCAAAGGTGT <u>AAA</u> TTGTCCAAAGCCTGGAATAGCG
Q188Y	CCACAAGTTCTGTA <u>TAT</u> GGCTATAGCCCAAGTCCTAATT CTTGGGCTATAGCC <u>ATA</u> TACAGAACTTGTGGTAATAATA
Q188L	CCACAAGTTCTGTA <u>CTC</u> GGCTATAGCCCAAGTCCTAATT CTTGGGCTATAGCC <u>GAG</u> TACAGAACTTGTGGTAATAATA
Q188E	CCACAAGTTCTGTA <u>GAA</u> GGCTATAGCCCAAGTCCTAATT CTTGGGCTATAGCC <u>TCC</u> TACAGAACTTGTGGTAATAATA
L196A	GCCCAAGTCCTAAT <u>GCA</u> TTAGACTATGCAGCTACAAAGT GCTGCATAGTCTAA <u>TGC</u> ATTAGGACTTGGGCTATAGCCT
L196F	GCCCAAGTCCTAAT <u>TTT</u> TTAGACTATGCAGCTACAAAGT GCTGCATAGTCTAA <u>AAA</u> ATTAGGACTTGGGCTATAGCCT
L196E	GCCCAAGTCCTAAT <u>GAA</u> TTAGACTATGCAGCTACAAAGT GCTGCATAGTCTAA <u>TTC</u> ATTAGGACTTGGGCTATAGCCT
V187A	TTACCACAAGTTCT <u>GCA</u> CAAGGCTATAGCCCAAGTCCTA GGGCTATAGCCTTG <u>TGC</u> AGAACTTGTGGTAATAATAGAA
V187S	TTACCACAAGTTCT <u>TCT</u> CAAGGCTATAGCCCAAGTCCTA GGGCTATAGCCTTG <u>AGA</u> AGAACTTGTGGTAATAATAGAA
V187D	TTACCACAAGTTCT <u>GAT</u> CAAGGCTATAGCCCAAGTCCTA GGGCTATAGCCTTG <u>ATC</u> AGAACTTGTGGTAATAATAGAA
P229A	TCAACTCCGTTGCT <u>GCA</u> GGACCTATCTGGACGCCGCTGC GTCCAGATAGGTCC <u>TGC</u> AGCAACGGAGTTGACGCGAATA
P229S	TCAACTCCGTTGCT <u>AGC</u> GGACCTATCTGGACGCCGCTGC GTCCAGATAGGTCC <u>GCT</u> AGCAACGGAGTTGACGCGAATA
P229H	TCAACTCCGTTGCT <u>CAT</u> GGACCTATCTGGACGCCGCTGC GTCCAGATAGGTCC <u>ATG</u> AGCAACGGAGTTGACGCGAATA

^aThe mutated sites are underlined.

Table S2 Specific activities of BaSDR1 and its variants toward substrate **2a**.

Enzyme	Specific activity (U/mg)	ee (%)
WT	0.34 ± 0.04	99, <i>S</i>
Q139S	1.40 ± 0.13	99, <i>S</i>
Q139A	1.25 ± 0.12	99, <i>S</i>
Q139D	0.52 ± 0.17	99, <i>S</i>
Q139L	0.62 ± 0.09	99, <i>S</i>
Q139N	1.03 ± 0.16	99, <i>S</i>
D253Y	1.13 ± 0.10	99, <i>S</i>
D253E	0.28 ± 0.08	99, <i>S</i>
D253Q	0.21 ± 0.06	99, <i>S</i>
D253L	0.23 ± 0.12	99, <i>S</i>
D253F	0.33 ± 0.14	99, <i>S</i>
Q188Y	0.11 ± 0.02	99, <i>S</i>
Q188L	0.09 ± 0.04	99, <i>S</i>
Q188E	0.17 ± 0.10	99, <i>S</i>
L196A	0.06 ± 0.01	99, <i>S</i>
L196F	0.16 ± 0.03	99, <i>S</i>
L196E	0.06 ± 0.04	99, <i>S</i>
V187A	0.27 ± 0.06	99, <i>S</i>
V187S	0.14 ± 0.05	99, <i>S</i>
V187D	0.10 ± 0.08	99, <i>S</i>
P229A	0.22 ± 0.05	99, <i>S</i>
P229S	0.13 ± 0.07	99, <i>S</i>
P229H	0.12 ± 0.07	99, <i>S</i>

Table S3 Parameters for interactions between protein and substrate **9a**

Figure	Interactions (Protein residue→Substrate atom)	Parameters		
		Distance (Å)	Angle (°)	Angle (°)
Fig. 1a and Fig. 2c	Hydrogen bond (Y199→Sub O)	2.87 ^a	140.67	/
	Hydrogen bond (S186→Sub O)	3.03 ^b	164.76	/
	Halogen bond (P229→Sub 2'-F)	3.45 ^c	158.66 ^d	117.71 ^e
	Hydrophobic interaction (Q188→Sub C1)	3.67 ^f	/	/
	Hydrophobic interaction (L196→Sub C6)	3.61	/	/
Fig. 2d	Hydrogen bond (Y199→Sub O)	2.76	110.91	/
	Hydrogen bond (S186→Sub O)	2.78	160.76	/
	Halogen bond (P229→Sub 2'-F)	3.39	160.47	120.94
	Hydrophobic interaction (Q188→Sub C1)	3.62	/	/
	Hydrophobic interaction (L196→Sub C6)	3.66	/	/

^aThe distance between the oxygen atoms of Tyr¹⁹⁹ OH and the substrate carbonyl group.

^bThe distance between the oxygen atoms of Ser¹⁸⁶ OH and the substrate carbonyl group.

^cThe distance between the oxygen atoms of related residues and the halogen atom of substrate.

^dThe angle between the carbon atoms, halogen atoms of substrate and the oxygen atoms of related residues.

^eThe angle between the oxygen atoms, carbon atoms of related residues and the halogen atoms of substrate.

^fThe distance between the carbon atoms of related residues and the labeled carbon atoms of substrate.

Table S4 Parameters for interactions between protein and substrate **10a**

Figure	Interactions (Protein residue→Substrate atom)	Parameters		
		Distance (Å)	Angle (°)	Angle (°)
Fig. 1c and Fig. 4c	Hydrogen bond (Y199→Sub O)	3.65 ^a	142.51	/
	Hydrogen bond (S186→Sub O)	2.81 ^b	149.44	/
	Halogen bond (P229→Sub 2'-F)	3.25 ^c	164.61 ^d	119.40 ^e
	Halogen bond (D253→Sub 4'-Cl)	3.67	158.76	129.29
Fig. 4d	Hydrogen bond (Y199→Sub O)	3.10	137.56	/
	Hydrogen bond (S186→Sub O)	3.16	165.82	/
	Halogen bond (Q242→Sub 2'-F)	3.17	142.88	149.16
	Hydrophobic interaction (V187→Sub C5)	3.26 ^f	/	/
	Hydrophobic interaction (Q188→Sub C1)	3.75	/	/

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^cThe distance between the oxygen atoms of related residues and the halogen atom of substrate.

^dThe angle between the carbon atoms, halogen atoms of substrate and the oxygen atoms of related residues.

^eThe angle between the oxygen atoms, carbon atoms of related residues and the halogen atoms of substrate.

^fThe distance between the carbon atoms of related residues and the labeled carbon atoms of substrate.

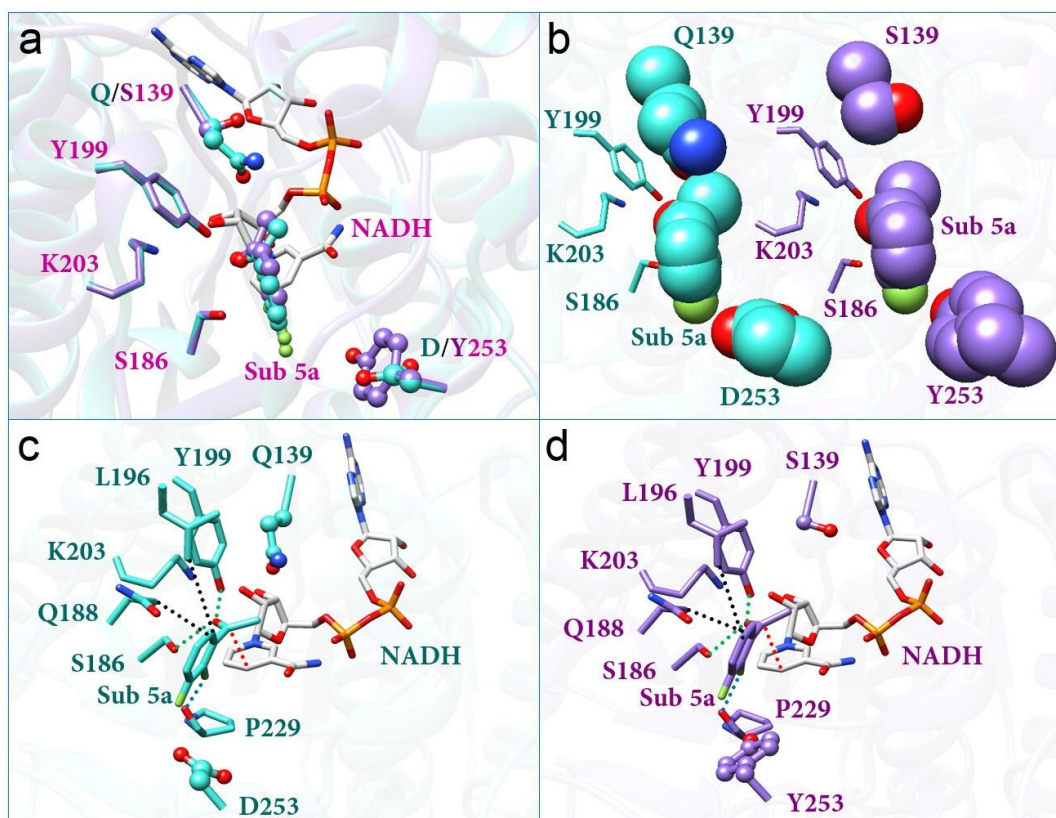


Fig. S1 The complex models of substrate **5a** and wild-type BaSDR1 (turquoise) or variant Q139S/D253Y (purple). (a) and (b): Superimposition of wild-type BaSDR1 and variant Q139S/D253Y complex models; (c): The wild type; (d): Q139S/D253Y. Green dash lines, hydrogen bonds; Blue dash lines, halogen bonds; Black dash line, hydrophobic interactions. Red dash lines, the distance between the carbonyl carbon atom of substrate and the C₄ atom in the nicotinamide ring of NADH. The specific residues are indicated by labels.

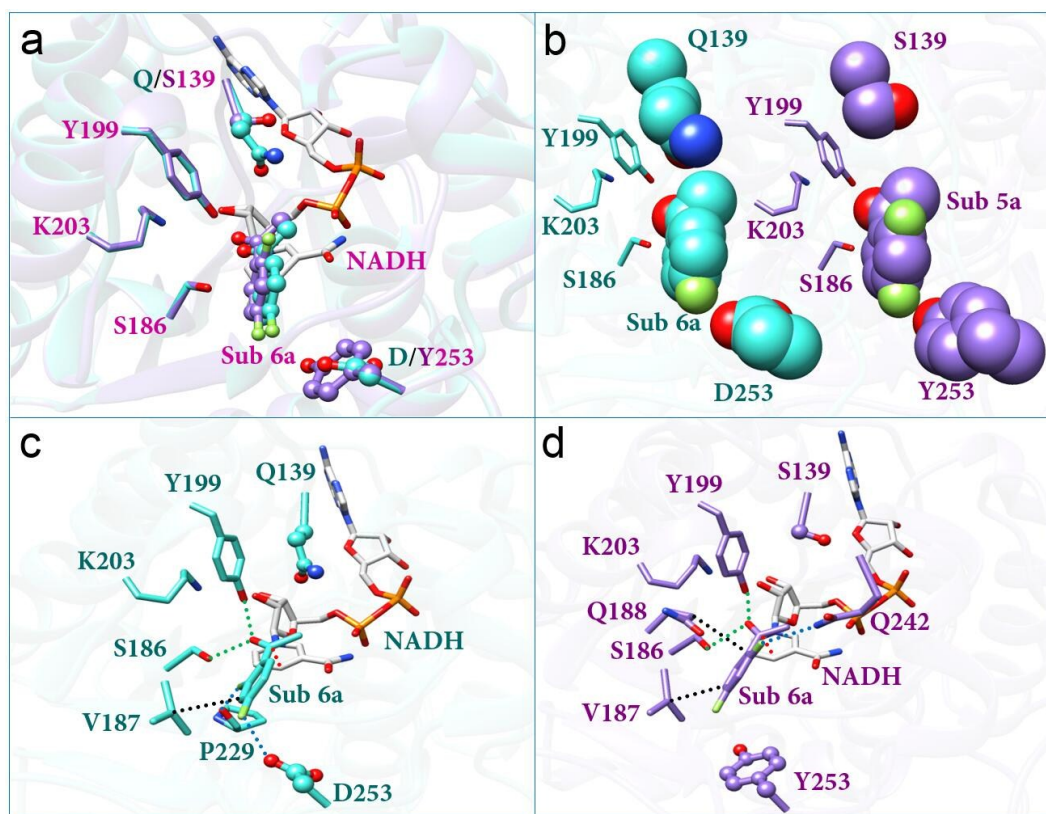


Fig. S2 The complex models of substrate **6a** and wild-type BaSDR1 (turquoise) or variant Q139S/D253Y (purple). (a) and (b): Superimposition of wild-type BaSDR1 and variant Q139S/D253Y complex models; (c): The wild type; (d): Q139S/D253Y. Green dash lines, hydrogen bonds; Blue dash lines, halogen bonds; Black dash line, hydrophobic interactions. Red dash lines, the distance between the carbonyl carbon atom of substrate and the C₄ atom in the nicotinamide ring of NADH. The specific residues are indicated by labels.

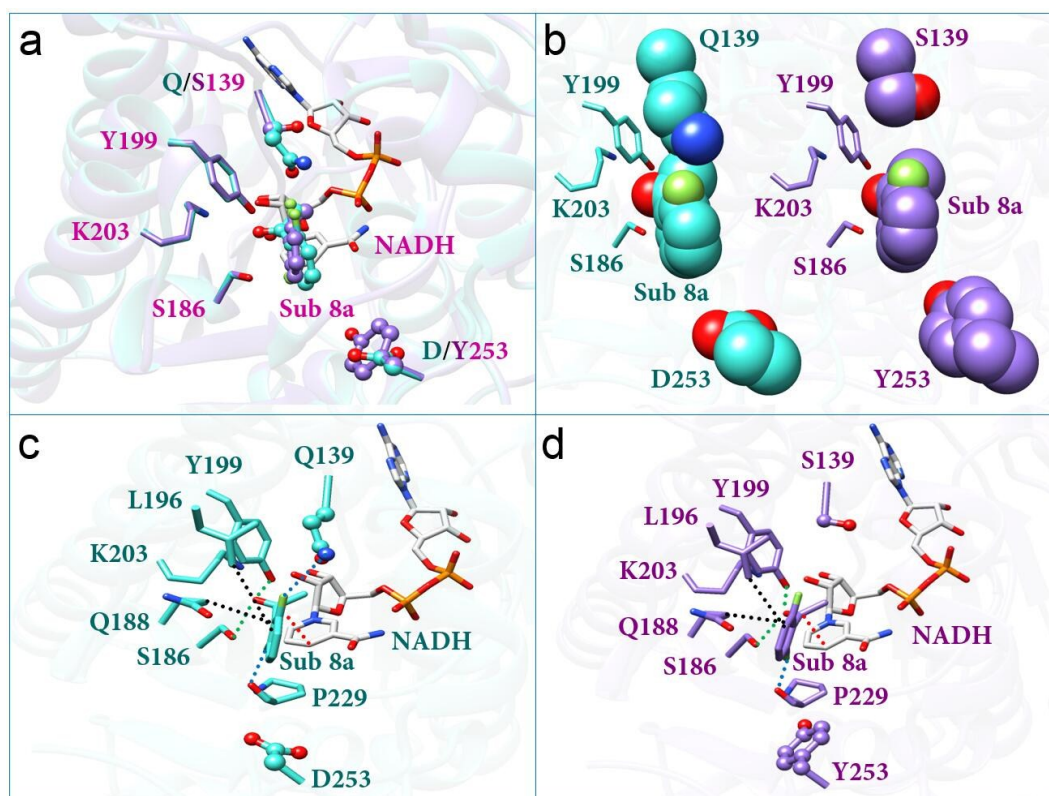


Fig. S3 The complex models of substrate **8a** and wild-type BaSDR1 (turquoise) or variant Q139S/D253Y (purple). (a) and (b): Superimposition of wild-type BaSDR1 and variant Q139S/D253Y complex models; (c): The wild type; (d): Q139S/D253Y. Green dash lines, hydrogen bonds; Blue dash lines, halogen bonds; Black dash line, hydrophobic interactions. Red dash lines, the distance between the carbonyl carbon atom of substrate and the C₄ atom in the nicotinamide ring of NADH. The specific residues are indicated by labels.

Table S5 Parameters for interactions between protein and substrate **5a**

Figure	Interactions (Protein residue→Substrate atom)	Parameters		
		Distance (Å)	Angle (°)	Angle (°)
Fig. S1c	Hydrogen bond (Y199→Sub O)	3.02 ^a	138.88	/
	Hydrogen bond (S186→Sub O)	2.85 ^b	154.22	/
	Halogen bond (P229→Sub 2'-F)	3.14 ^c	153.98 ^d	116.82 ^e
	Hydrophobic interaction (Q188→Sub C1)	3.65 ^f	/	/
	Hydrophobic interaction (L196→Sub C6)	3.92	/	/
Fig. S1d	Hydrogen bond (Y199→Sub O)	2.70	139.74	/
	Hydrogen bond (S186→Sub O)	2.75	161.92	/
	Halogen bond (P229→Sub 2'-F)	3.36	159.84	119.94
	Hydrophobic interaction (Q188→Sub C1)	3.62	/	/
	Hydrophobic interaction (L196→Sub C6)	3.67	/	/

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^cThe distance between the oxygen atoms of related residues and the halogen atom of substrate.

^dThe angle between the carbon atoms, halogen atoms of substrate and the oxygen atoms of related residues.

^eThe angle between the oxygen atoms, carbon atoms of related residues and the halogen atoms of substrate.

^fThe distance between the carbon atoms of related residues and the labeled carbon atoms of substrate.

Table S6 Parameters for interactions between protein and substrate **6a**

Figure	Interactions (Protein residue→Substrate atom)	Parameters		
		Distance (Å)	Angle (°)	Angle (°)
Fig. S2c	Hydrogen bond (Y199→Sub O)	3.90 ^a	142.34	/
	Hydrogen bond (S186→Sub O)	2.94 ^b	143.54	/
	Halogen bond (P229→Sub 2'-F)	3.14 ^c	162.10 ^d	118.71 ^e
	Halogen bond (D253→Sub 4'-F)	3.82	144.79	133.25
	Hydrophobic interaction (V187→Sub C3)	3.77 ^f	/	/
Fig. S2d	Hydrogen bond (Y199→Sub O)	3.10	118.59	/
	Hydrogen bond (S186→Sub O)	3.03	108.06	/
	Halogen bond (Q242→Sub 2'-F)	3.17	141.74	148.92
	Hydrophobic interaction (V187→Sub C5)	3.30	/	/
	Hydrophobic interaction (Q188→Sub C1)	3.74	/	/

^aThe distance between the oxygen atoms of Tyr¹⁹⁹ OH and the substrate carbonyl group.

^bThe distance between the oxygen atoms of Ser¹⁸⁶ OH and the substrate carbonyl group.

^cThe distance between the oxygen atoms of related residues and the halogen atom of substrate.

^dThe angle between the carbon atoms, halogen atoms of substrate and the oxygen atoms of related residues.

^eThe angle between the oxygen atoms, carbon atoms of related residues and the halogen atoms of substrate.

^fThe distance between the carbon atoms of related residues and the labeled carbon atoms of substrate.

Table S7 Parameters for interactions between protein and substrate **8a**

Figure	Interactions (Protein residue→Substrate atom)	Parameters		
		Distance (Å)	Angle (°)	Angle (°)
Fig. S3c	Hydrogen bond (Y199→Sub O)	2.87 ^a	115.70	/
	Hydrogen bond (S186→Sub O)	2.72 ^b	161.94	/
	Halogen bond (Q139→Sub 6'-F)	3.05 ^c	142.25 ^d	111.87 ^e
	Halogen bond (P229→Sub 2'-F)	3.49	166.22	118.18
	Hydrophobic interaction (Q188→Sub C1)	3.56 ^f	/	/
	Hydrophobic interaction (L196→Sub C5)	3.62	/	/
Fig. S3d	Hydrogen bond (Y199→Sub O)	2.52	115.32	/
	Hydrogen bond (S186→Sub O)	2.78	161.58	/
	Halogen bond (P229→Sub 2'-F)	3.61	171.26	120.62
	Hydrophobic interaction (Q188→Sub C1)	3.60	/	/
	Hydrophobic interaction (L196→Sub C5)	3.59	/	/

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^bThe distance between the oxygen atoms of Ser¹⁸⁶ OH and the substrate carbonyl group.

^cThe distance between the oxygen atoms of related residues and the halogen atom of substrate.

^dThe angle between the carbon atoms, halogen atoms of substrate and the oxygen atoms of related residues.

^eThe angle between the oxygen atoms, carbon atoms of related residues and the halogen atoms of substrate.

^fThe distance between the carbon atoms of related residues and the labeled carbon atoms of substrate.

Table S8 The distance between the carbonyl carbon atom of substrate and the C₄ atom in the nicotinamide ring of NADH.

Substrate	Figure	Enzyme	Distance (Å)
5a	Fig. S1c	WT	3.50
	Fig. S1d	Q139S/D253Y	3.48
6a	Fig. S2c	WT	3.80
	Fig. S2d	Q139S/D253Y	3.61
8a	Fig. S3c	WT	3.80
	Fig. S3d	Q139S/D253Y	3.42
9a	Fig. 2c	WT	3.50
	Fig. 2d	Q139S/D253Y	3.21
10a	Fig. 3c	WT	3.69
	Fig. 3d	Q139S/D253Y	3.60

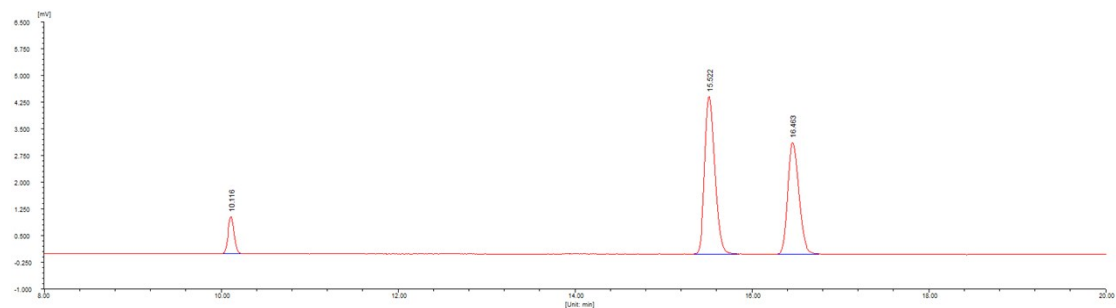
Table S9 Binding free energy of enzyme-substrate complexes (kcal/mol)

Substrate	Enzyme	Delta G binding	Binding energy contribution	
			Residue 139	Residue 253
5a	WT	-4.0647 ± 2.4413	0.059 ± 0.334	0.084 ± 0.419
	Q139S/D253Y	-9.5561 ± 2.8024	-0.363 ± 0.278	-0.114 ± 0.167
6a	WT	-3.8313 ± 2.9372	0.217 ± 0.536	0.663 ± 0.875
	Q139S/D253Y	-8.4552 ± 2.6118	-0.007 ± 0.066	-0.184 ± 0.454
8a	WT	-7.0181 ± 2.7916	0.286 ± 0.421	0.123 ± 0.057
	Q139S/D253Y	-8.5020 ± 2.0416	-0.036 ± 0.288	-0.358 ± 0.227
9a	WT	-6.8673 ± 1.9743	-0.073 ± 0.323	0.141 ± 0.567
	Q139S/D253Y	-11.2142 ± 2.1698	-0.461 ± 0.343	-0.048 ± 0.249
10a	WT	-5.5447 ± 1.8397	0.412 ± 0.472	-0.062 ± 0.051
	Q139S/D253Y	-8.9495 ± 2.3985	0.079 ± 0.478	-0.108 ± 0.550

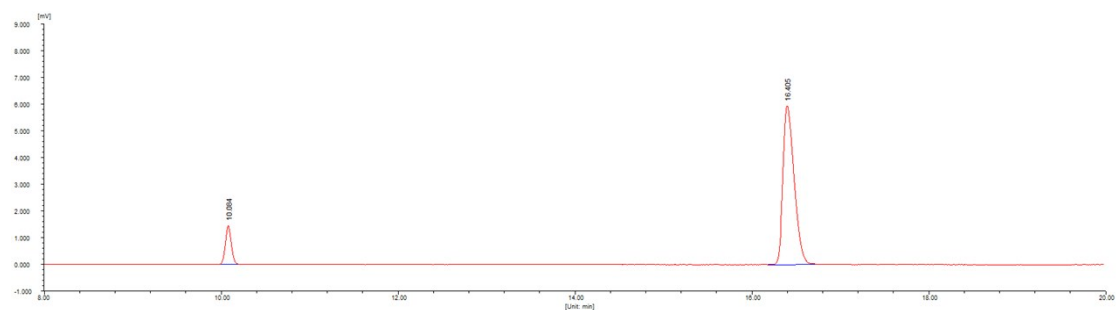
GC chromatograms

Substrate 1a Column temperature: 120°C. Retention time: substrate, 10.1 min; R-product, 15.5 min; S-product, 16.4 min.

(A) Substrate and corresponding alcohol

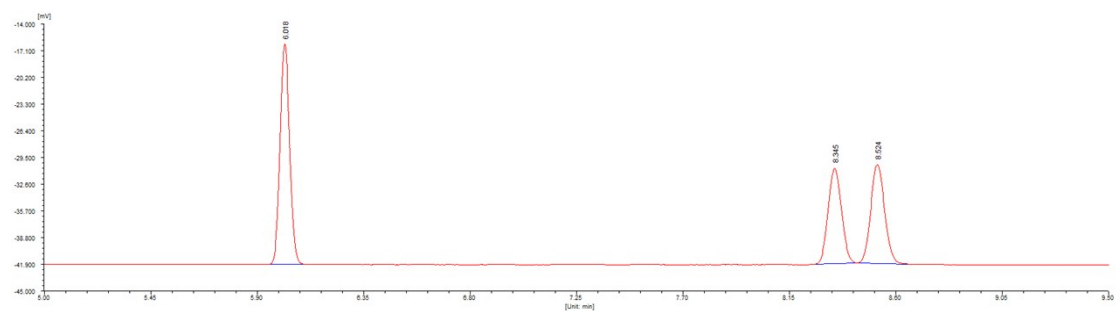


(B) Mutant Q139S/D253Y-catalysed asymmetric reduction

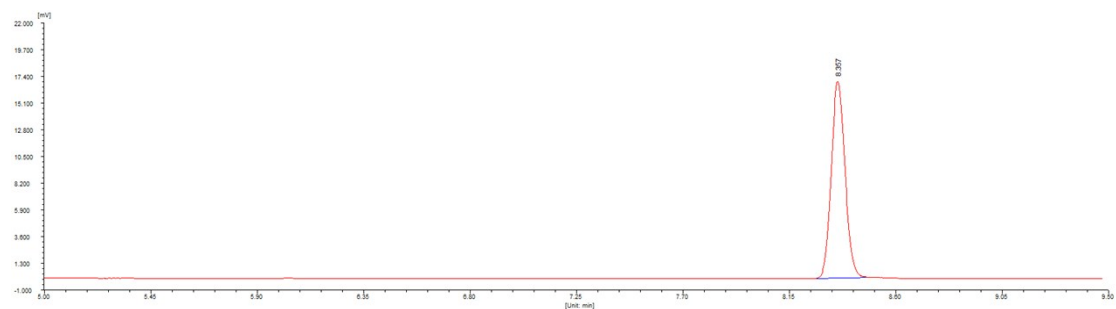


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(A) Substrate and corresponding alcohol

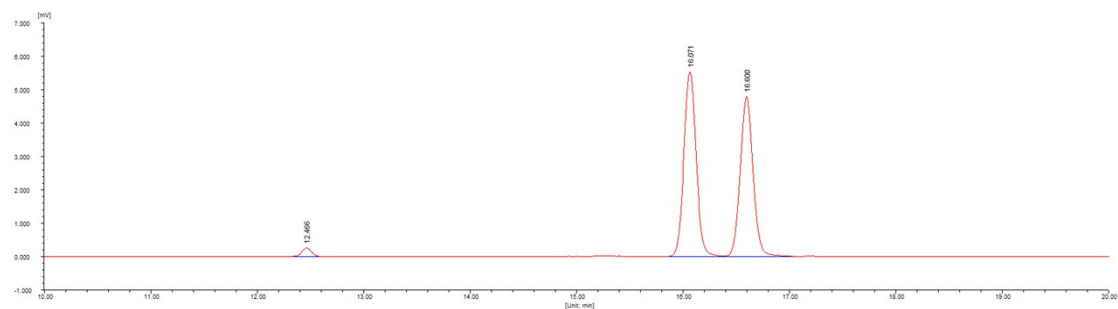


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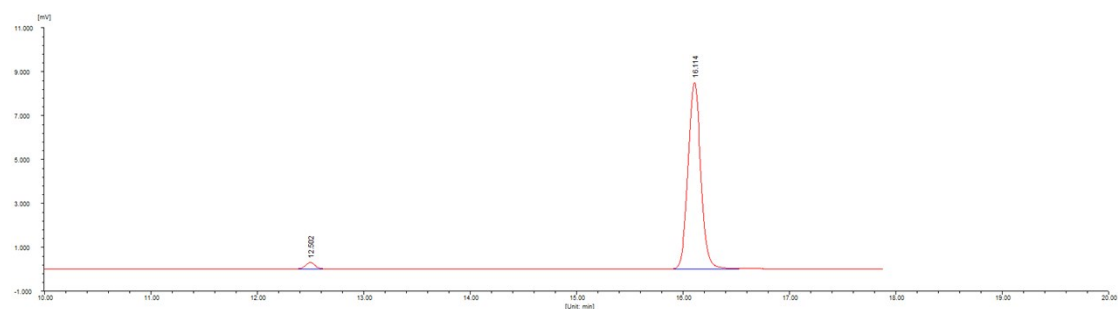


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(A) Substrate and corresponding alcohol

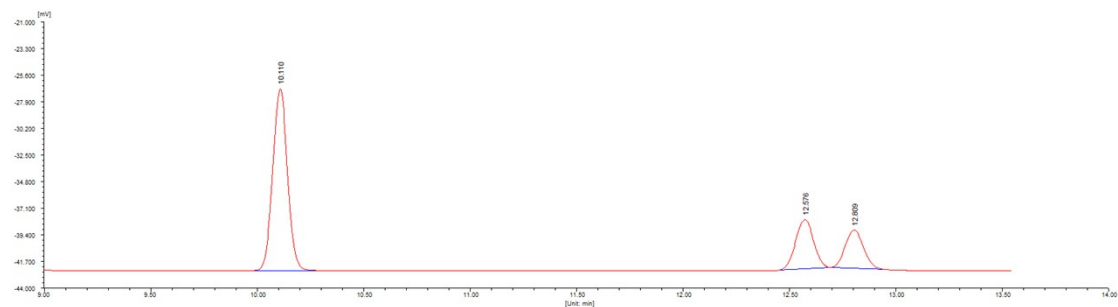


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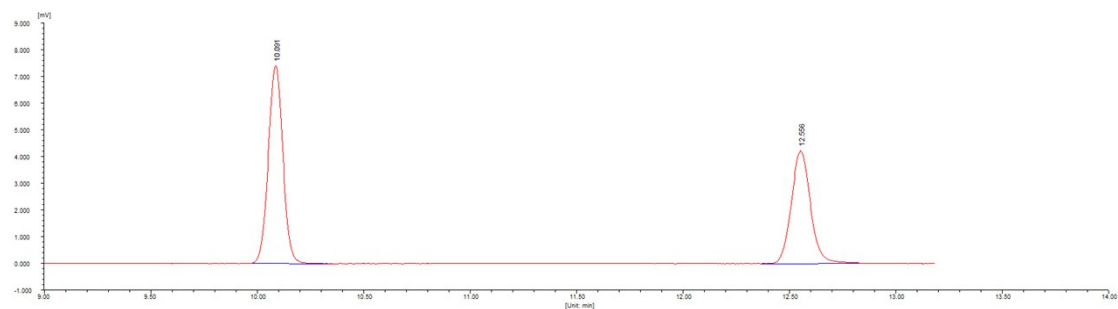


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(A) Substrate and corresponding alcohol

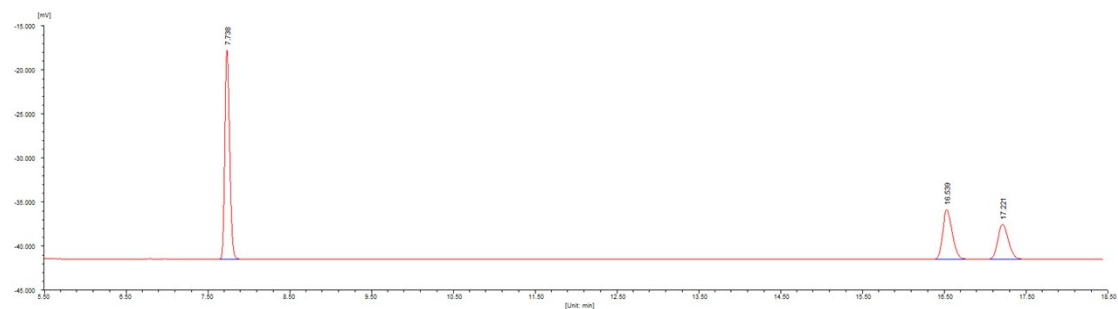


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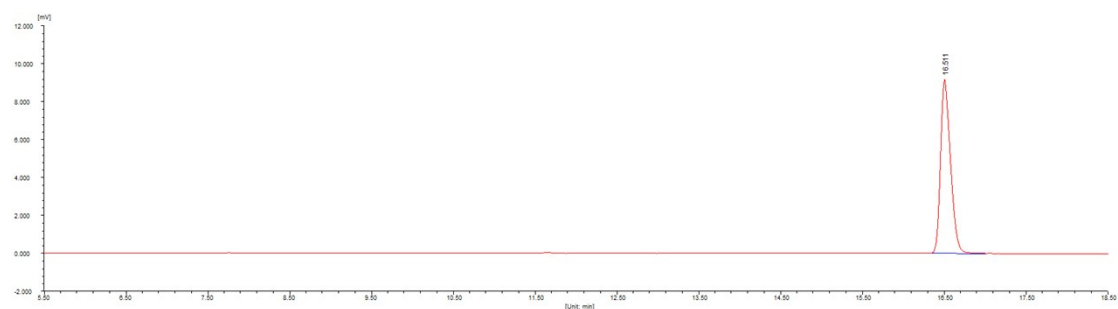


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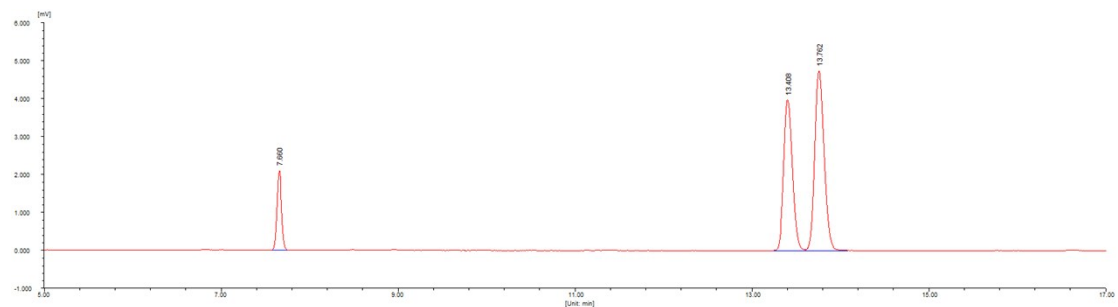


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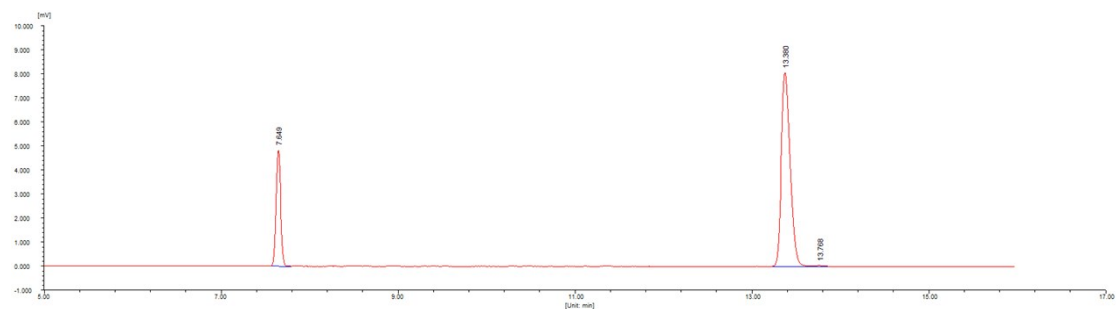


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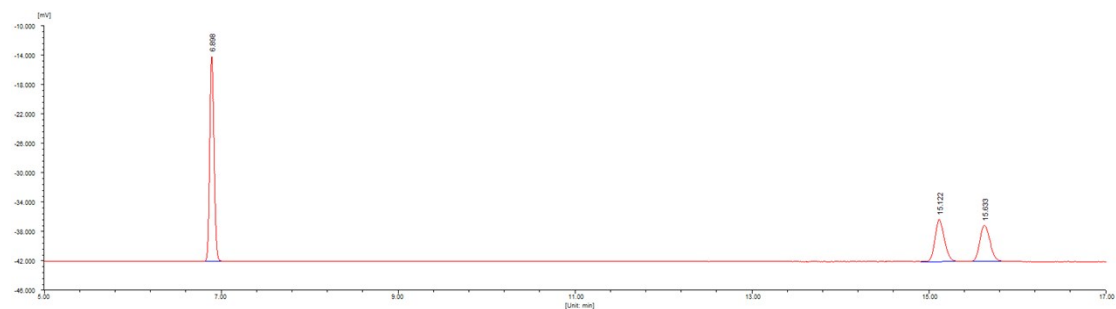


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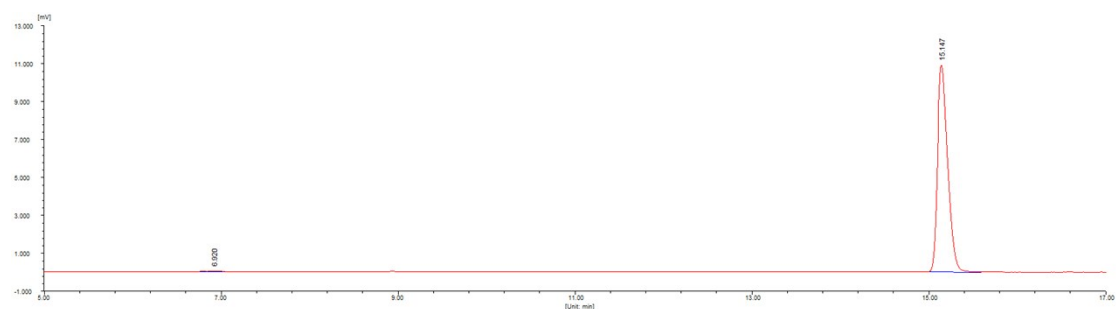


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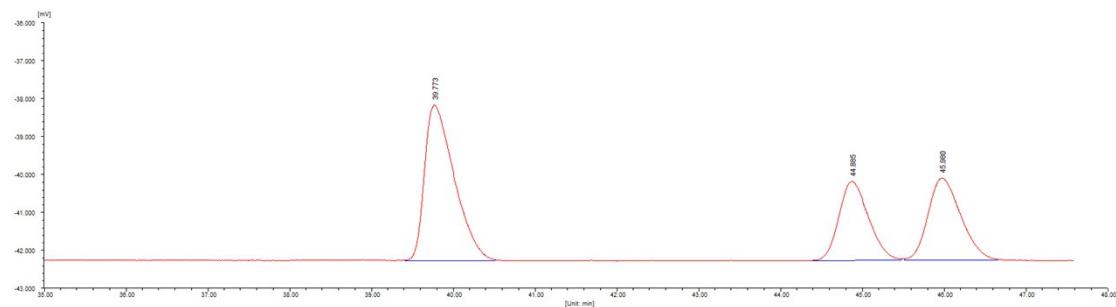


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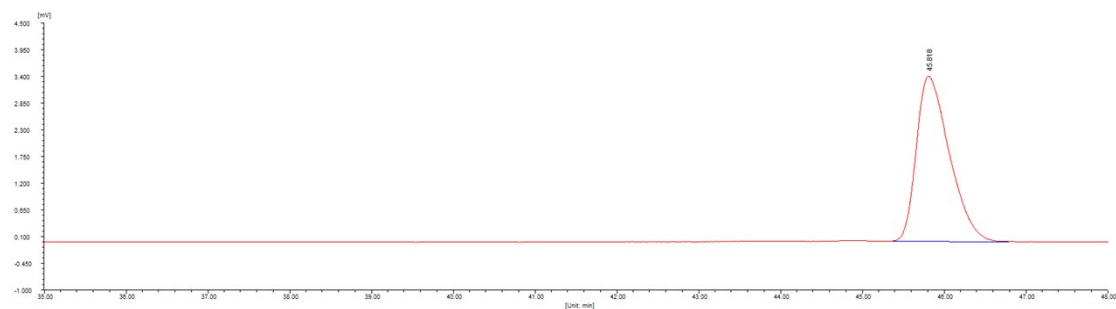


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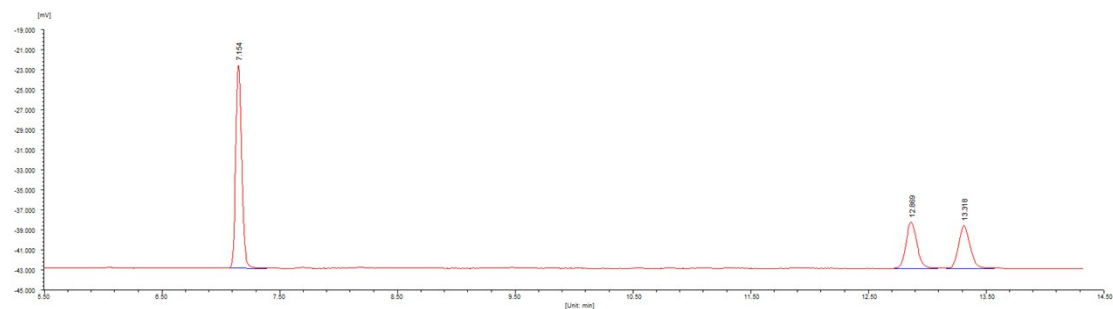


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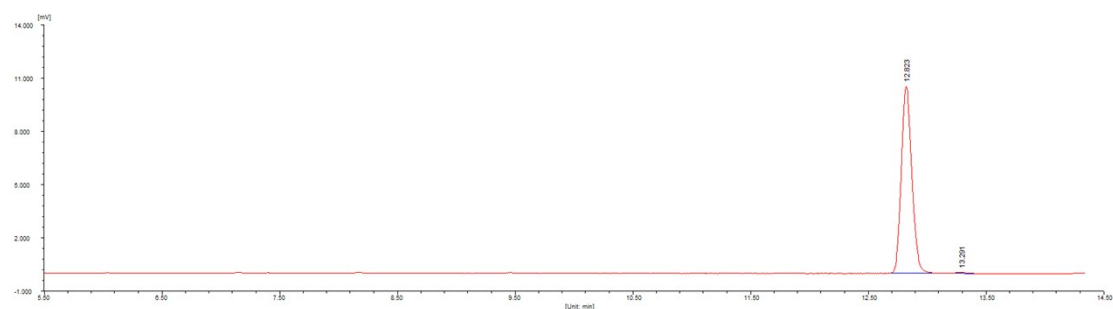


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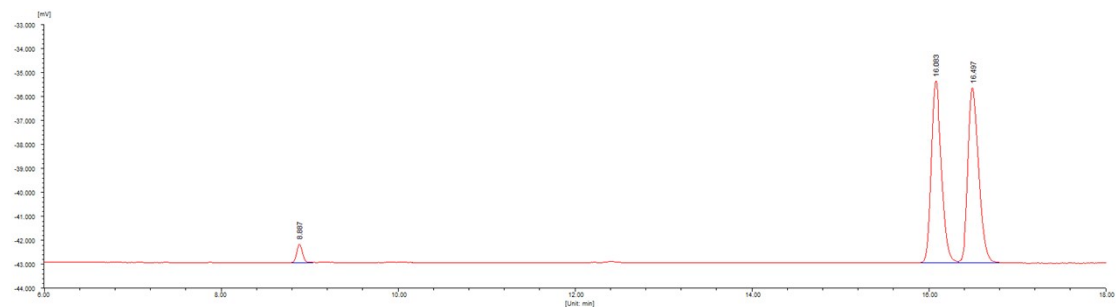


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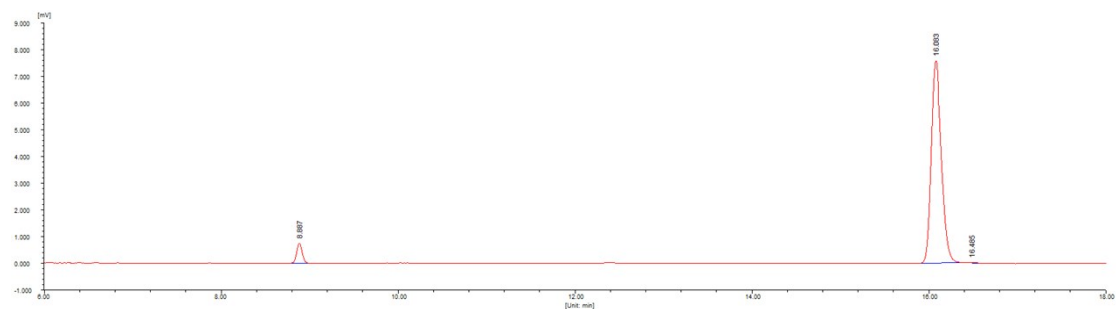


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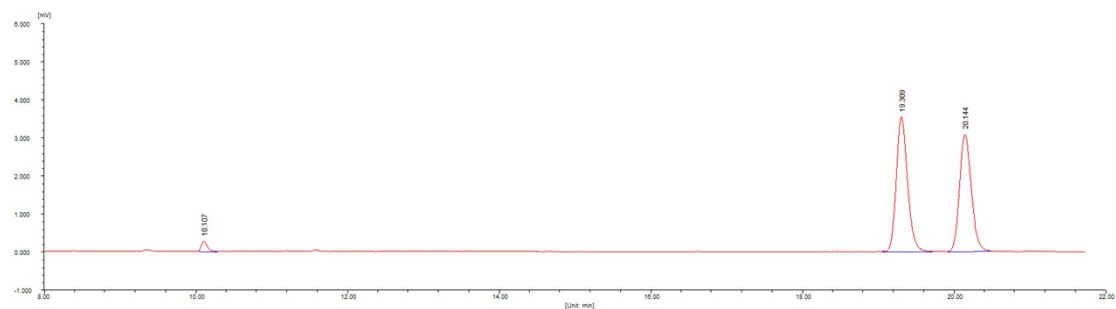


(B) Mutant Q139S/D253Y-catalysed asymmetric reduction

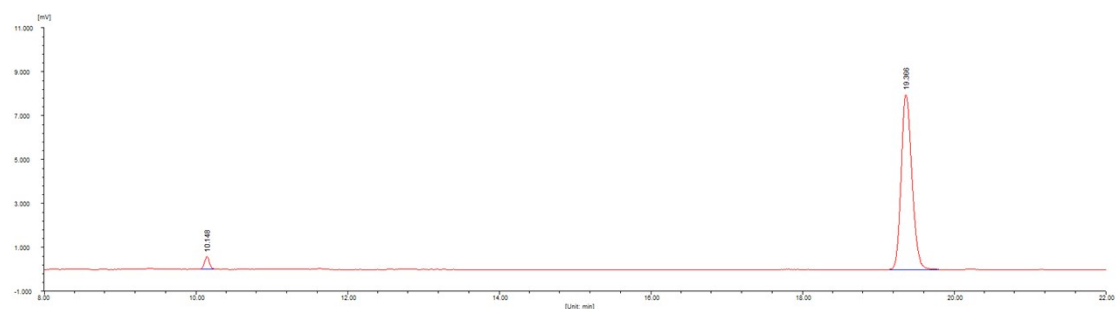


Substrate 11a Column temperature: 150°C. Retention time: substrate, 10.1 min; S-product, 19.3 min; R-product, 20.1 min.

(A) Substrate and corresponding alcohol

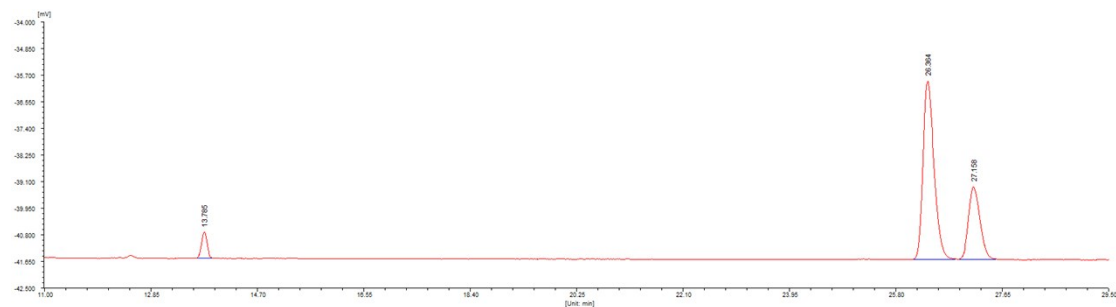


(B) Mutant Q139S/D253Y-catalysed asymmetric reduction



Substrate 12a Column temperature: 140°C. Retention time: substrate, 13.7 min; S-product, 26.3 min; R-product, 27.1 min.

(A) Substrate and corresponding alcohol



(B) Mutant Q139S-catalysed asymmetric reduction

