

## Electronic supplementary information

### Structural insights to the calcium dependence of Stig cyclases

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## Experimental

### *Site-directed mutagenesis*

FamC1 variants were prepared by using QuickChange site-directed mutagenesis kit (Agilent Technologies, Santa Clara, CA, USA) following the manufacturer's instructions. pET28a-famC1 plasmid constructed as described previously<sup>1</sup> served as a template and the sequences of mutagenesis oligonucleotides are as follow (mutant sites are highlighted):

E95A, 5'-GGTACCCAGTTTTATAATCAGCTGGCCCCGGCAGGCCGTAATATTG-3';

N98A, 5'-TTTTATAATCAGCTGGCCCCGGAAGGCCGTGCAATTGGTTATATCT-3';

N137A, 5'ACCAAATATACCCTGACCGTTGATGTTGGTGCACTGGCAGGTACCT-3';

D216A, 5'-CTGCAGGATAAATTTTCTGGTCTGGATTTTGCAAACGTGCGTCTGA-3';

E39A, 5'-CCGATTAATAATGCCGGCTTTGCAAATCCGTTTATGGATGTGGTT-3';

E175A, 5'-CATAATAATCTGTTTATTAAGGCGGGTGAGTTTAAAACCAGTACC-3'.

N137A/E175A double mutant was constructed by introducing E175A mutant to the N137A singlet. Similarly, E39A/N95A/E98A/D216A was constructed by introducing individual mutation to the single, double, and eventually triple mutants. The recombinant plasmids were verified by sequencing.

### *Expression and purification of recombinant FamC1 variants*

The plasmids carrying FamC1 variants were transformed into *E. coli* BL21(DE3)

cells and the protein expression were induced by 0.2 mM isopropyl  $\beta$ -D-1-thiogalactopyranoside (IPTG) at 16 °C for 20 hours. Protein purification was carried out at 4 °C. Cells were harvested by centrifugation at 5,000 x g for 15 minutes and re-suspended in lysis buffer containing 25 mM Tris-Cl [pH 7.5], 150 mM NaCl and 20 mM imidazole followed by disruption with a French Press. Cell debris was removed by centrifugation at 17,000 x g for an hour. The supernatant was then applied to a Ni-NTA column with FPLC system (GE Healthcare) and eluted by using a 20-500 mM imidazole gradient. The target protein was eluted at ~150 mM imidazole. Fractions containing the target protein were pooled and then dialyzed against 25 mM Tris-Cl [pH 7.5]. The protein solution was loaded onto a DEAE Sepharose column and eluted by using a 0-500 mM NaCl gradient. Target protein was eluted at ~150 mM NaCl. The purified protein was concentrated to 10 mg/mL in 25 mM Tris-Cl [pH 7.5] buffer and stored at -80 °C. Protein purity was verified by SDS-PAGE analysis.

#### *Enzyme activity measurement*

The enzymatic activity of wild type and mutant FamC1 was measured in a one-pot reaction which comprises two-enzyme reaction system as described previously.<sup>1</sup> Briefly, 100  $\mu$ l reaction containing 1 mM *cis*-indole isonitrile, 1 mM GPP, 5  $\mu$ M FamD2, and 10  $\mu$ M wild type or mutant FamC1, 5 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 5 mM CaCl<sub>2</sub>, and 50

mM Tris [pH 7.8] was incubated at 37 °C for an hour. The reaction was quenched and extracted with an equal volume of ethyl acetate. The organic fractions were dried and re-dissolved in 500 µl acetonitrile for HPLC analysis by using Agilent Extend-C18 5 µm 4.6 x 250 mm column and a solvent system of MeCN and H<sub>2</sub>O (0.1% formic acid). The peak area of cyclized product of each sample was calculated and presented as a percentage of the wild type enzyme. All samples were analyzed in triplicate in each independent experiment.

#### *Crystallization, data collection, structure determination and refinement*

Sitting-drop vapor diffusion method was used for crystallization of FamC1 variants. In general, 1 µL protein (10 mg/mL) was mixed with 1 µL of reservoir solution in 48-well Cryschem Plates, and equilibrated against 100 µL of the reservoir at 25 °C. FamC1 N137A crystal was obtained in the crystallization buffer containing 12 % - 18 % PEG3350, 2.5 % - 3.8 % tryptone and 0.05 M HEPES [pH 7.0]. Crystal was soaked in a cryo-protectant containing mother liquid and additional 15 % glycerol and mounted in a cryo-loop and flash-cooled by liquid nitrogen for data collection. Data sets were collected at beam lines BL15A1 of the National Synchrotron Radiation Research Center (NSRRC, Hsinchu, Taiwan) and processed by using HKL2000.<sup>2</sup> Prior to structure refinement, 5 % randomly selected reflections were set aside for calculating  $R_{\text{free}}$ <sup>3</sup> as a

monitor of model quality. The phase information of the structures of FamC1 N137A was solved by using molecular replacement program Phaser<sup>4</sup> in CCP4i suit<sup>5</sup> using crystal structure of apo form FamC1 (PDB ID, 5YVK). All structural refinements were carried out using Phenix<sup>6</sup> and Coot.<sup>7</sup> All figures were prepared by using the PyMOL program (<http://pymol.sourceforge.net/>).

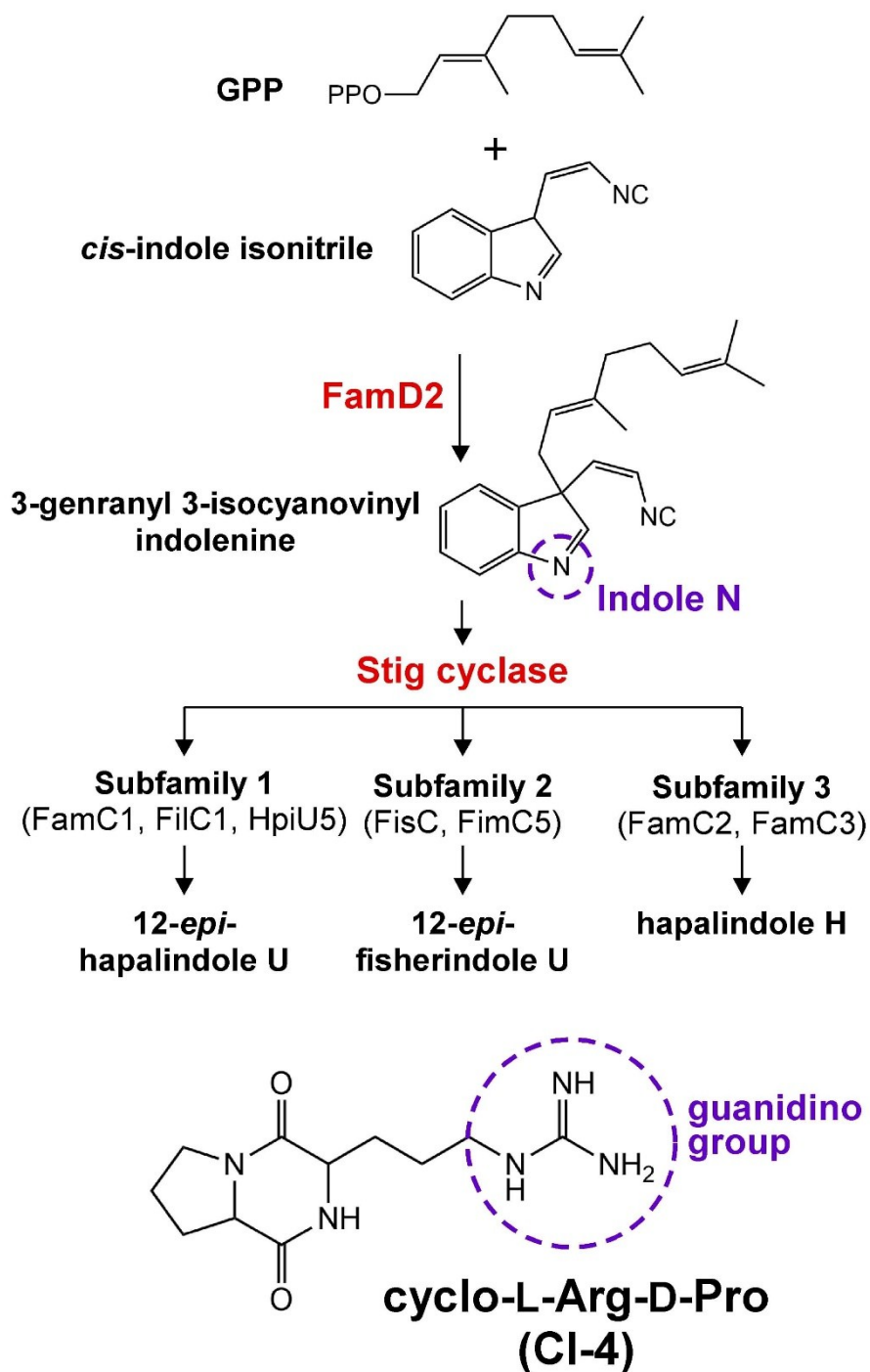
**Figure Legends:**

**Figure S1. Stereo-views of electron density maps of Ca-coordinating residues in N137A structure.** Residues in N137A variant that coordinate to (A) Ca1 and (B) Ca2 in wild type FamC1 are depicted. The  $2F_o-F_c$  electron density maps of these residues and Ca2 are contoured at  $2.0 \sigma$ . The residues and calcium ion are shown in stick and sphere models. The A137 residue is highlighted in magenta.

**Figure S2.** Overall structures (A) and stereo-view of structure superimposition (B) of N137A and wild type FamC1. The overall structures of N137A and wild type FamC1 are displayed in green and cyan cartoon models, respectively.  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  ions and CI-4 are displayed in sphere and stick models.

**Figure S3. Conformation of D214-Y89 pair of Stig cyclases.** D214 and Y89 from various polypeptide chains of apo-form structures and CI-4 (stick models) bound complex structures of FilC1 and HpiU5 are shown in line models. Y89 in A- and B-pose are indicated.

Scheme:



Scheme 1 Biosynthetic pathway of some hapalindole-type alkaloids and chemical structure of cyclo-dipeptide CI-4.

Figures:

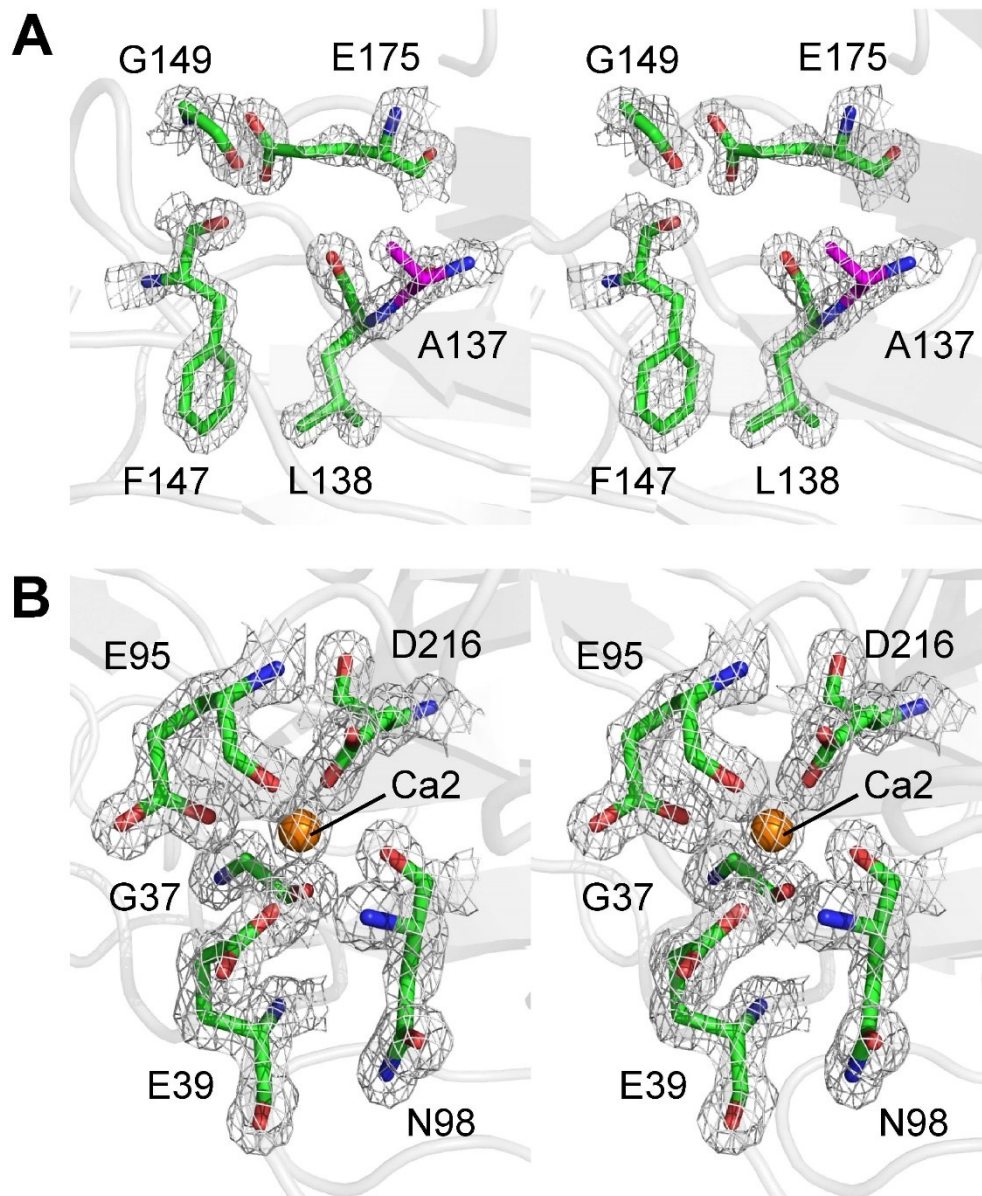
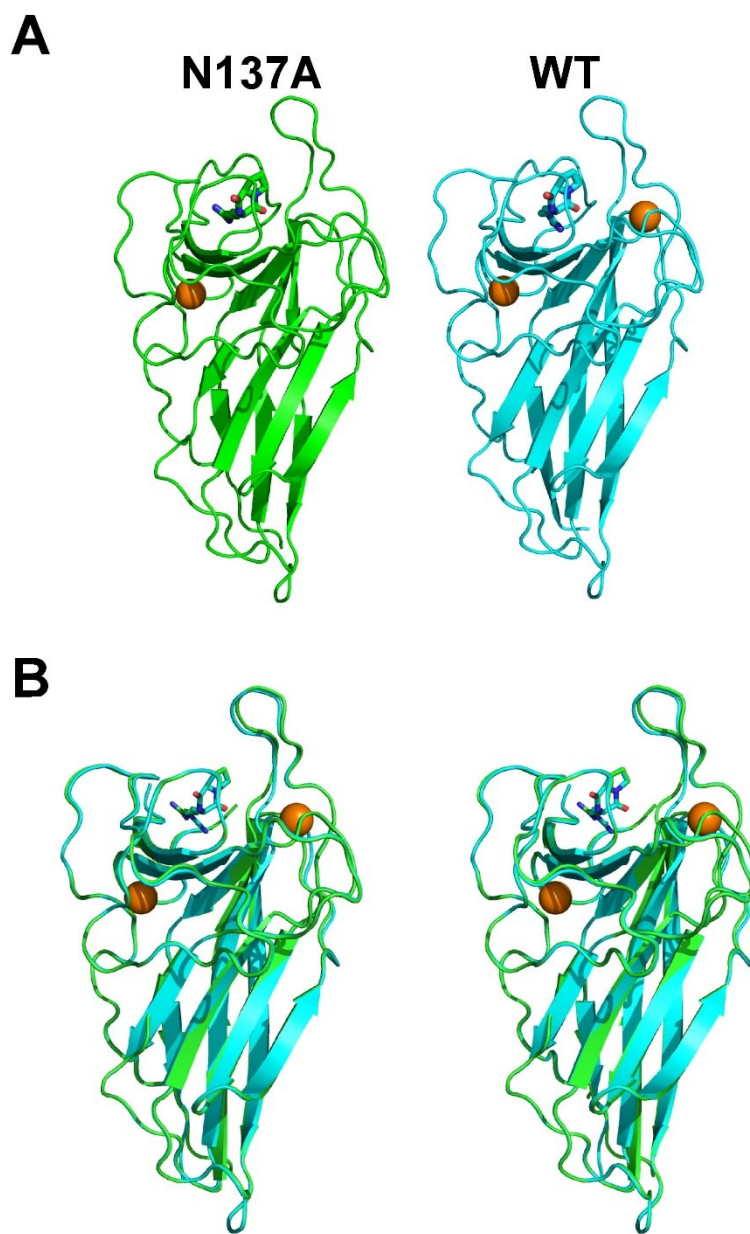


Figure S1





**Figure S2**

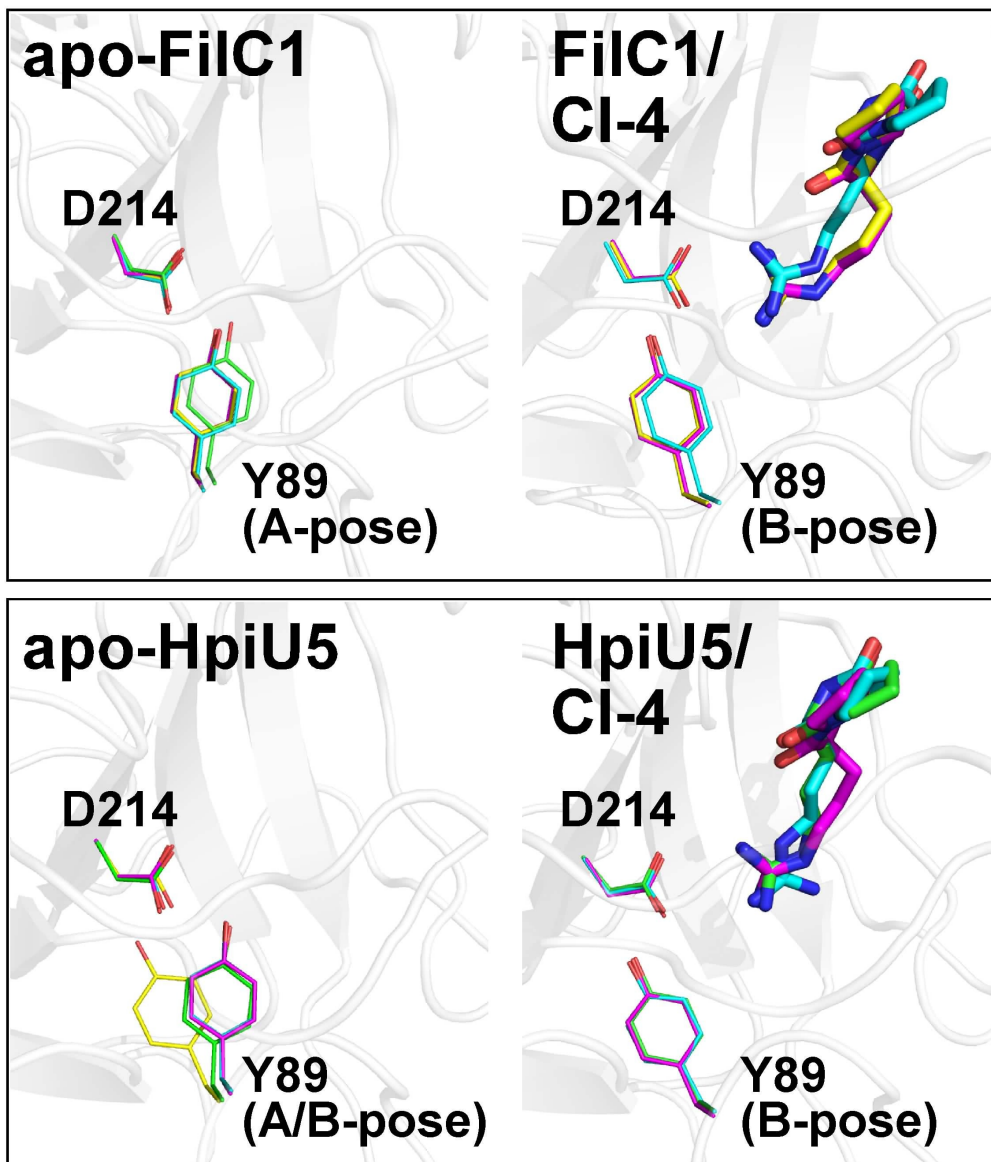


Figure S3

**Table****Table S1.** Data collection and refinement statistics for FamC1 N137A crystal

<b>Data collection</b>	
space group	P3 <sub>1</sub> 21
unit-cell [Å]	
<i>a/b/c</i>	54.78/54.78/152.42
<i>α/β/γ</i> (°)	90/90/120
resolution [Å]	25 – 1.48 (1.53 –)
unique reflections	44964 (4314)
redundancy	3.8 (3.0)
completeness [%]	99.5 (98.2)
average <i>I</i> / <i>σ</i> ( <i>I</i> )	34.1 (3.4)
<i>R</i> <sub>merge</sub>	3.7 (20)
<i>R</i> <sub>pim</sub>	2.2 (13.3)
CC1/2	0.986 (0.938)
<b>Refinement</b>	
no. of reflections	44915 (3165)
<i>R</i> <sub>work</sub> (95 % of data)	10.8 (15.8)
<i>R</i> <sub>free</sub> (5 % of data)	14 (18.3)
r.m.s.d. bonds [Å]	0.010
r.m.s.d. angles [°]	1.441
MolProbity statistics	
Clashscore	4.8
Ramachandran favored [%]	98.99
Ramachandran allowed [%]	1.01
Ramachandran outlier [%]	0.00
MolProbity score	1.43
no. of non-H atoms / average	
<i>B</i> [Å <sup>2</sup> ]	
Protein	1565/18.6
Water	331/35.3
Ligand	19/14.1
PDB ID	6J03

Values in parentheses are for the highest resolution shell.



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