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Supporting Information

Deprotection of S-Acetamidomethyl Cysteine with Copper (II) and 1,2-Aminothiols under Aerobic Conditions

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Examination of ratio of CuSO₄ and ascorbate





Figure S1. Analytical HPLC charts of crude reaction material. ^{*a*}Addition of 100 mM EDTA aq. or addition of 500 mM DTT followed by stirring at 37 °C for 15 min; ^{*b*}Conversion (%) (or remaining (%)) were determined by HPLC analyses with UV detection at 220 nm and calculated using the equation percent formation = 100 [(integ. 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 2 + 4)/(integ. 1 + integ. 2 + integ. 3 + integ. 4)]: integ. = integration of peak area of the UV absorption; ^{*c*}Stirring for 30 min instead of 15 min; ^{*d*}A small amount of dimer of **2** was detected. Analytical HPLC conditions: linear gradient of 0.1% TFA/CH₃CN in 0.1% TFA/H₂O, 5% to 45% over 30 min. *Non-peptide impurity.



Evaluation of contribution of N-terminal amino acid for deprotection of Acm group

Figure S2. Analytical HPLC charts of crude reaction material. ^{*a*}A small amount of N-terminal cysteic acid peptide was detected; ^{*b*}Quenched by 100 mM EDTA aq. instead of 500 mM DTT. Analytical HPLC conditions: linear gradient of 0.1%TFA/CH₃CN in 0.1%TFA/H₂O, 5% to 45% over 30 min. *Non-peptide impurity.

Examination of deprotection of S-Acm with deaerated solvent



Figure S3. Analytical HPLC charts of crude reaction material. Analytical HPLC conditions: linear gradient of 0.1%TFA/CH₃CN in 0.1%TFA/H₂O, 5% to 45% over 30 min. *Non-peptide impurity.



Evaluation of stability of other S-protecting group in the presence of CuSO₄ and cysteamine

Figure S4. Analytical HPLC charts of crude reaction material. (A) R = Trt; (B) R = MBzl. Analytical HPLC conditions: linear gradient of 0.1%TFA/CH₃CN in 0.1%TFA/H₂O, 5% to 45% over 30 min. *Non-peptide impurity.

Examination of stability of Met-containing peptide in the presence of CuSO₄ and cysteamine or not



Figure S5. Analytical HPLC charts of crude reaction material. (A) Entry 1; (B) Entry 2. Analytical HPLC conditions: linear gradient of 0.1%TFA/CH₃CN in 0.1%TFA/H₂O, 5% to 45% over 30 min. *Non-peptide impurity.

Г 0

30

Г 0

10

t_R/min

1 20 S2

10

t_R/min

І 20 S3

7 30

Fe(III) salt-mediated deprotection of Acm group



Figure S6. Analytical HPLC charts of crude reaction material. Analytical HPLC conditions: linear gradient of 0.1%TFA/CH₃CN in 0.1%TFA/H₂O, 5% to 45% over 30 min.



Examination of deprotection of S-Acm with H₂O₂

Figure S7. Analytical HPLC charts of crude reaction material. Analytical HPLC conditions: linear gradient of 0.1%TFA/CH₃CN in 0.1%TFA/H₂O, 5% to 45% over 30 min. *Non-peptide impurity.





Figure S8. Analytical HPLC charts of Apamin and isomers. (A) Type I; (B) Type II; (C) Type III (Apamin); (D) Synthesized Apamin (15); (E) Co-injection of type I and type II and type III; (F) Co-injection of type I and type II and type III and synthesized Apamin. Analytical HPLC conditions: linear gradient of 0.1%TFA/CH₃CN in 0.1%TFA/H₂O, 5% to 40% over 30 min.

CuSO₄–cysteamine-mediated disulphide bond formation between Thz1 and Cys(Acm)11 in the presence of Cys(MBzI) residues for the alternative attempt at the synthesis of Apamin



Figure S9. Analytical HPLC charts of crude reaction material. Analytical HPLC conditions: linear gradient of 0.1%TFA/CH₃CN in 0.1%TFA/H₂O, 5% to 40% over 30 min. *Non-peptide impurity.