The versatility of non-heme diiron monooxygenase PmIABCDEF:

a single biocatalyst for a plethora of oxygenation reactions

Supporting information

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General Remarks

NMR spectroscopy was performed on a Bruker Ascend 400. NMR spectra were recorded at ambient temperature using DMSO-d₆ and CDCl₃ as solvents, with proton, and carbon resonances at 400 and 101 Mhz, respectively. All NMR data are reported in ppm relative to the solvent signal as the internal standard. The multiplicities are stated as follows: s = singlet, br s = broad singlet, d = doublet, dd = doublet of doublets, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet. Proton spectra were readjusted for presentation by removing solvent peaks.

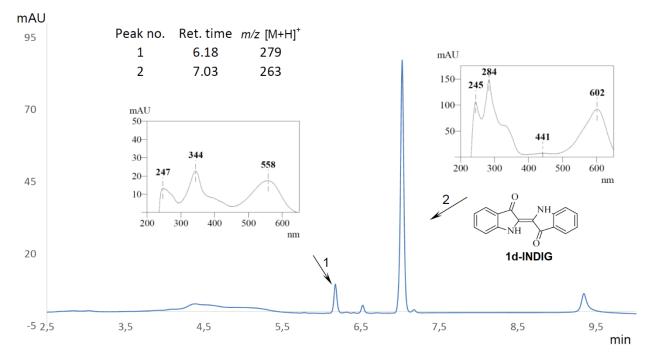
All the HPLC-MS analyses were performed with a high-performance liquid chromatography system (Shimadzu, Japan) and a mass spectrometer (LCMS-2020, Shimadzu, Japan) equipped with an ESI source. The chromatographic separation was conducted using a YMC Pack Pro C18 column, 3×150 mm (YMC, Japan) at 40 °C and a mobile phase that consisted of 0.1% formic acid water solution (solvent A), and acetonitrile (solvent B) delivered in the $5 \rightarrow 95\%$ gradient elution mode. Mass scans were measured from m/z 50 up to m/z 700, at 350 °C interface temperature, 250 °C DL temperature, ±4,500 V interface voltage, neutral DL/Qarray, using N₂ as nebulizing and drying gas. Mass spectrometry data were acquired in both the positive and negative ionization modes.

GC-MS analysis was performed with a Shimadzu Nexis GC_2030 connected to a GCMS-QP2020 NX (Shimadzu, Japan) equipped with a FS-Supreme-5ms column (Ziemer, Germany).

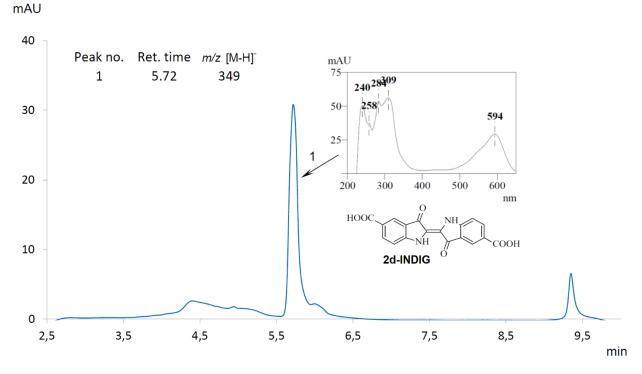
Compounds subjected to NMR analysis were synthesized and purified according to the general biocatalysis procedures which were described in the main text.

HPLC-MS chromatograms of indigoid compounds

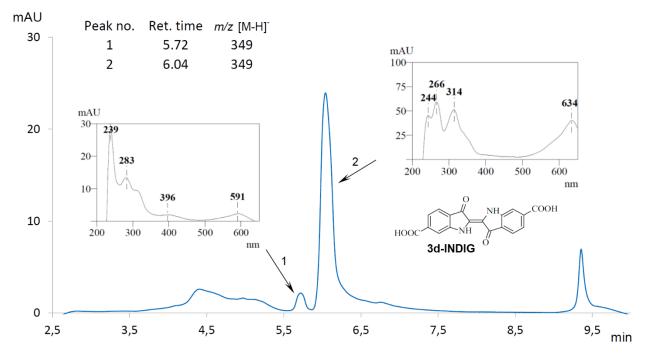
The sample (0.5 mL) of the whole-cell biocatalysis reaction was transferred to a 1.5 ml tube and mixed with an equal part of chloroform. The mixture was intensively shaken followed by centrifugation (12000 *g* for 5 min), 0.1 ml of organic extract was combined with 0.4 mL of acetonitrile, and was analysed with HPLC-MS. Chromatograms were generated using a wavelength of 600 nm. Products featuring distinctive UV-Vis spectra and the proper m/z $[M+H]^+$ or m/z $[M-H]^-$ value were presented. Known compounds were designated by labelling the peak in a chromatogram with appropriate structural formula.



Products of indole (1d) conversion employing wild type PmIABCDEF.

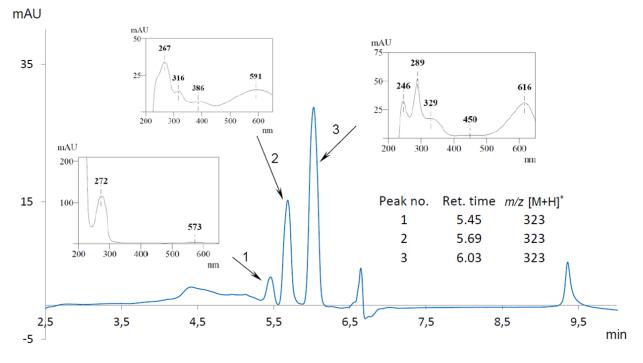


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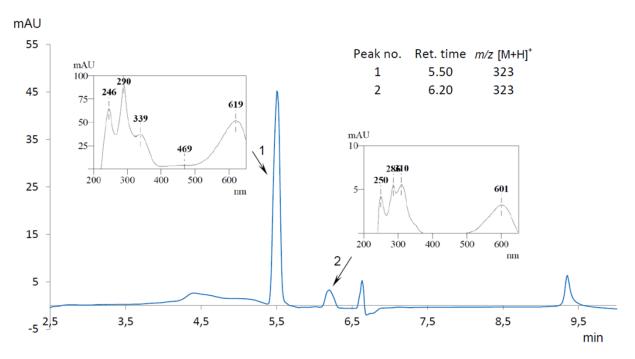


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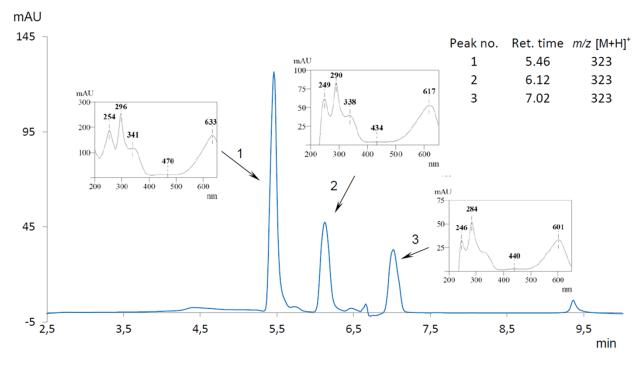
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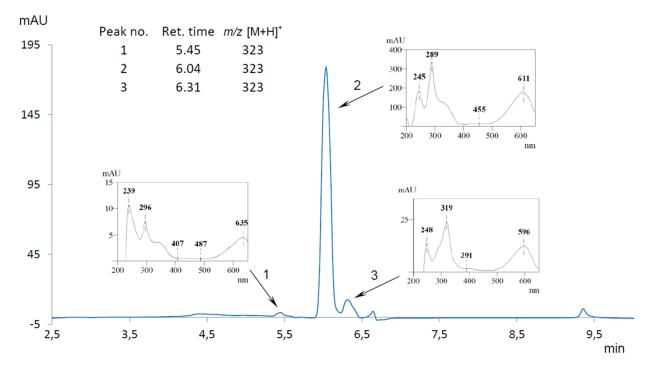
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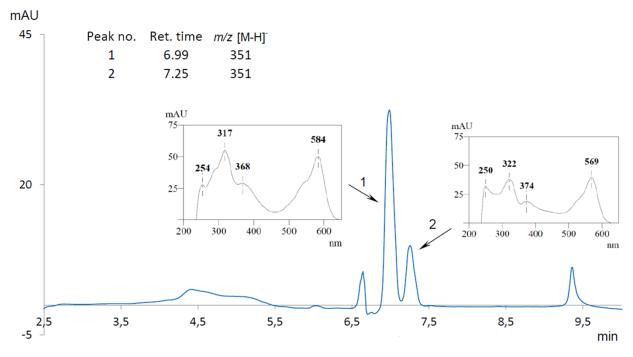
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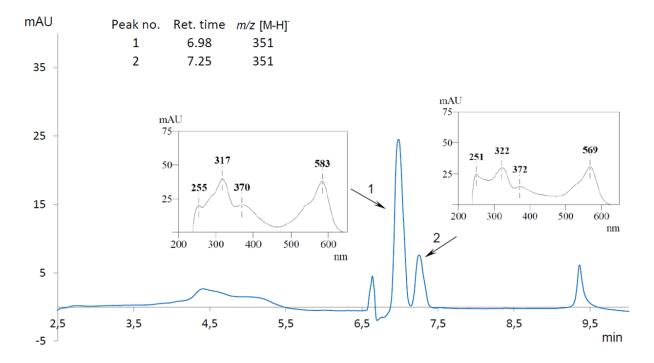
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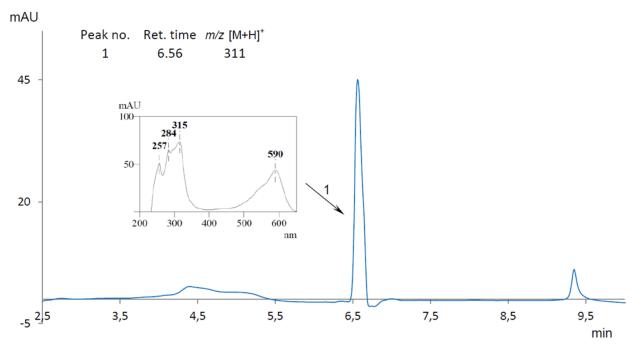
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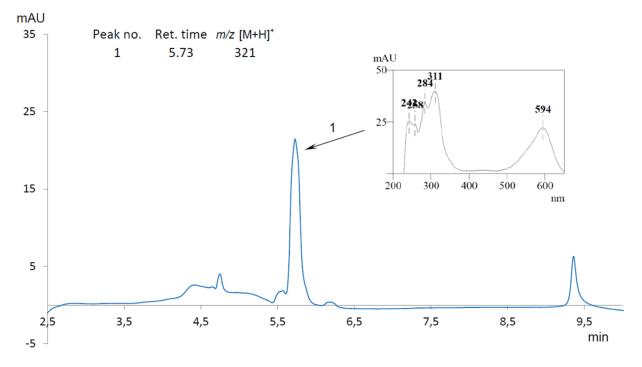
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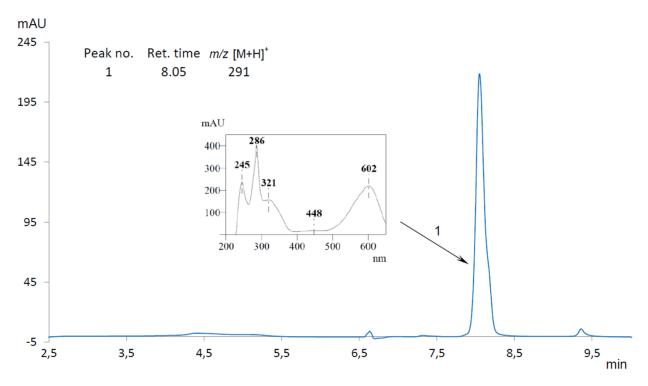
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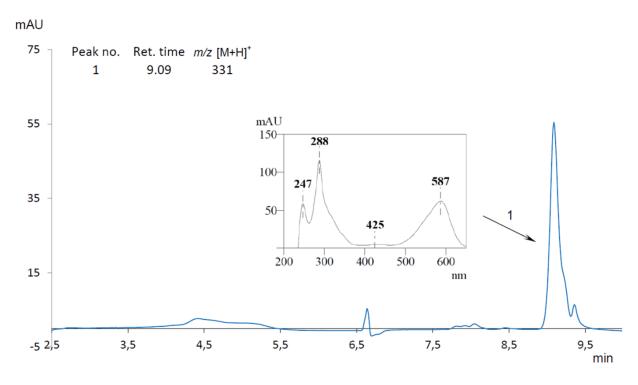
Products of indole-5-carbonitrile (10d) conversion employing wild type PmIABCDEF.



Products of indole-5-methanamine (11d) conversion employing wild type PmIABCDEF.



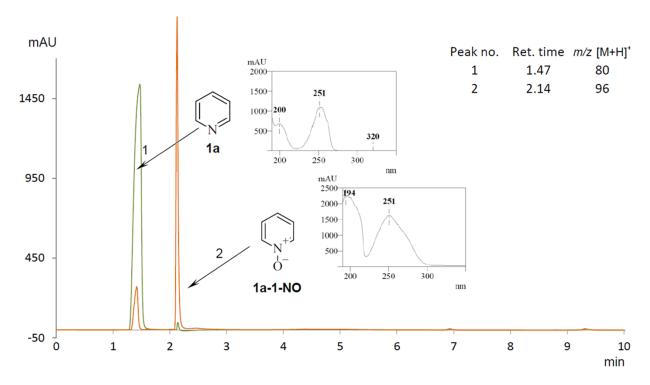
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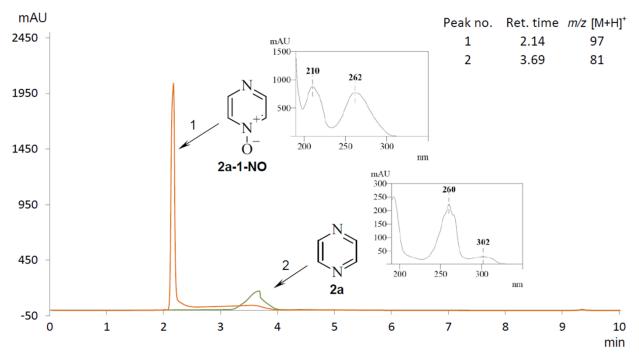
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HPLC-MS chromatograms of *N*-oxides, catechols, and sulfoxides

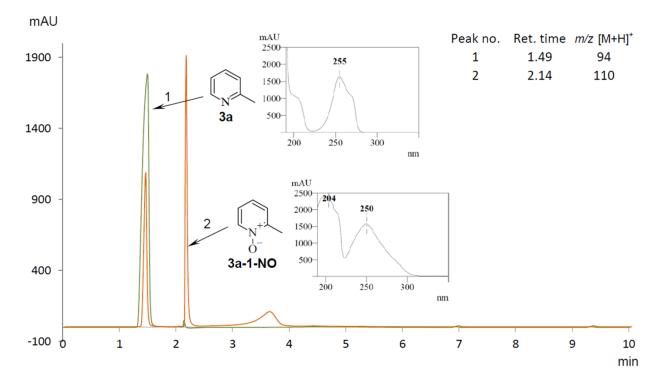
The sample (0.5 mL) of the whole-cell biocatalysis reaction was transferred to a 1.5 mL tube and mixed with an equal part of acetonitrile. The mixture was intensively vortexed followed by centrifugation (12000 *g* for 5 min), an injection of supernatant was analysed with HPLC-MS. Stacked chromatograms were generated using wavelengths of 254 nm (*N*-oxides, sulfoxides) and 270 nm (catechols). Reactions with *P. putida* KT2440 whole cells producing Pml monooxygenase are indicated by the orange line, control reactions (substrate incubated with *P. putida* KT2440 cells without *pml* gene) are displayed in the green line. Blue and brown lines indicate the appropriate standard compound.



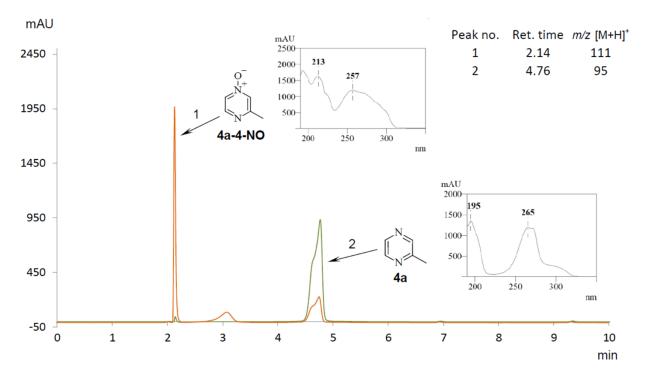
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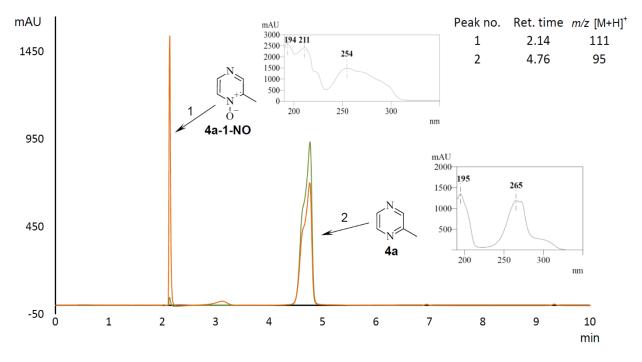
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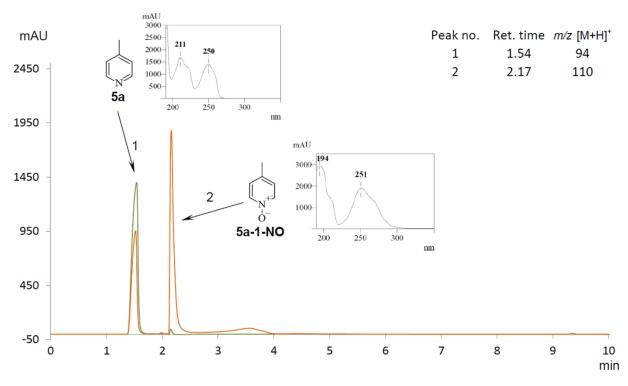
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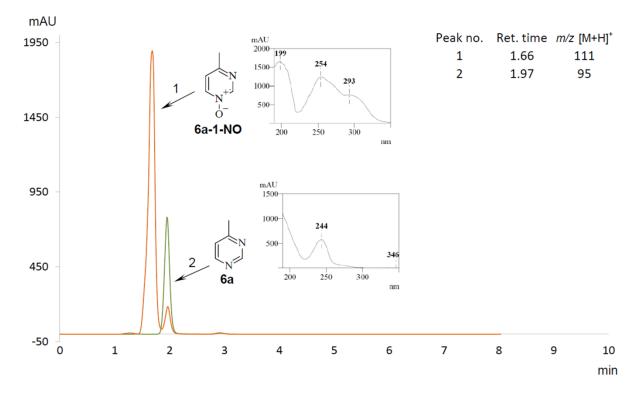
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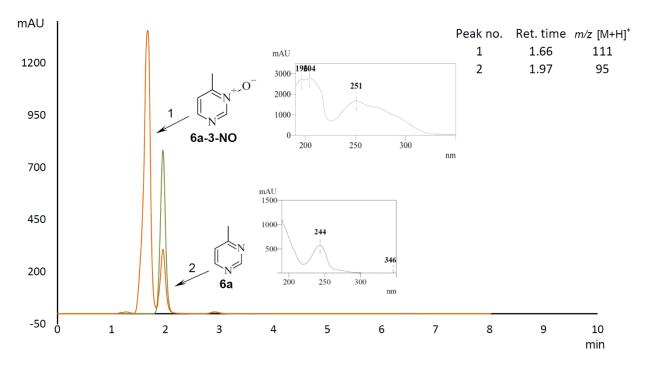
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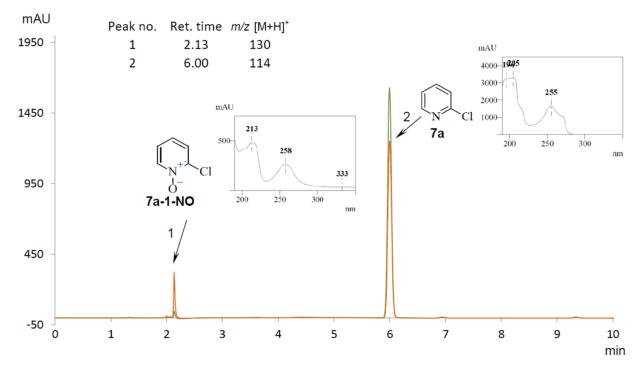
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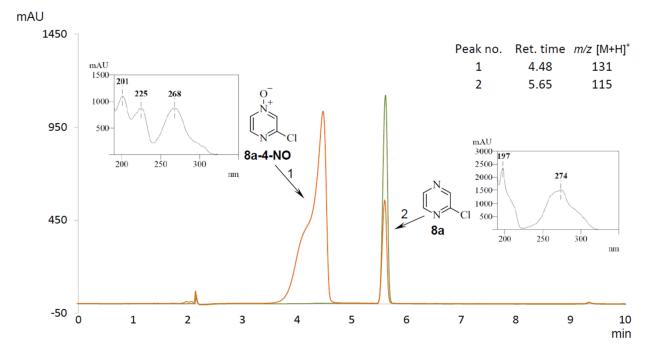
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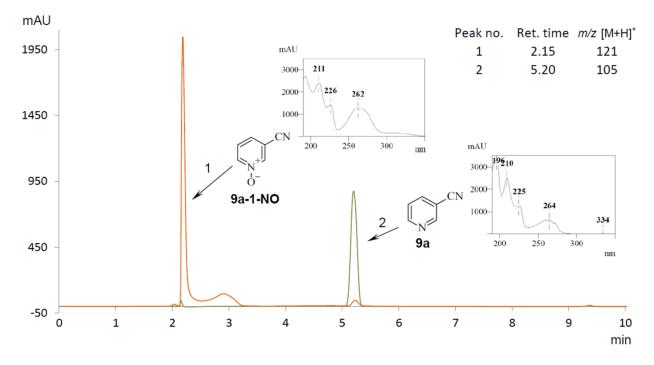
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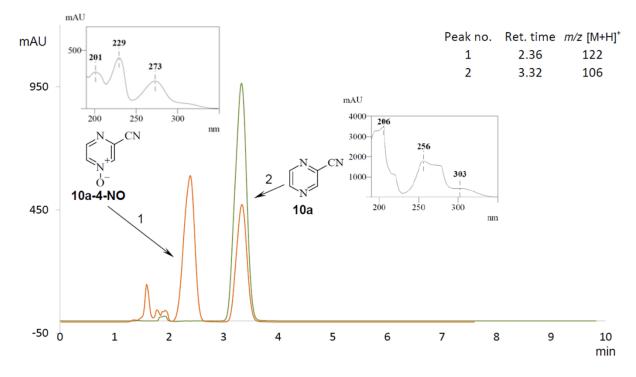
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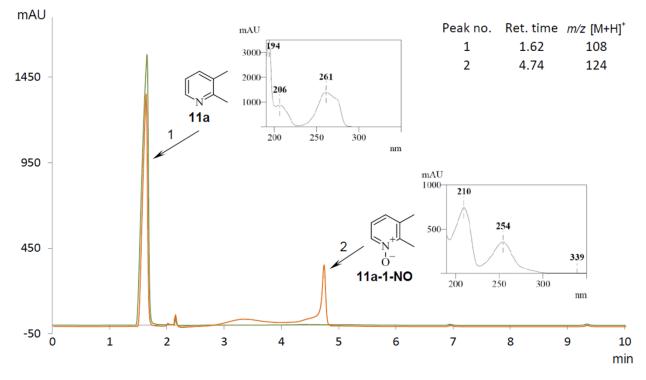
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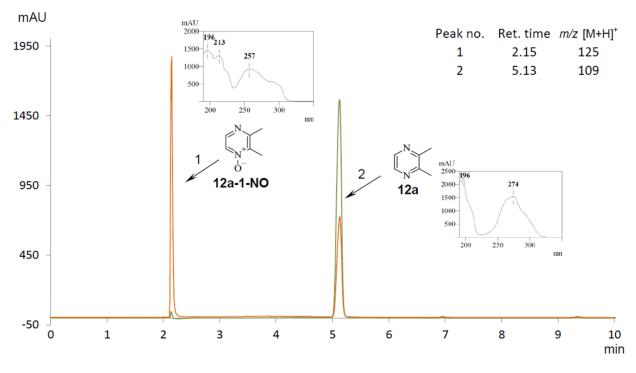
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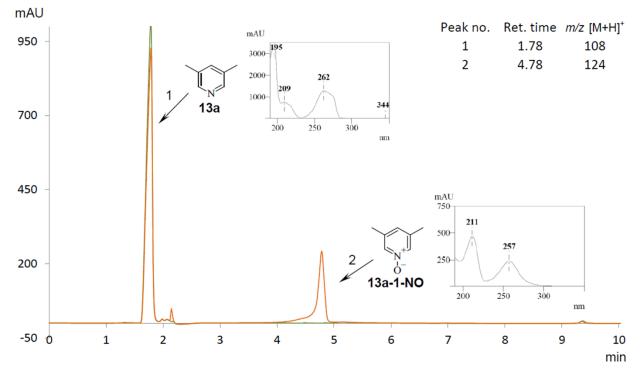
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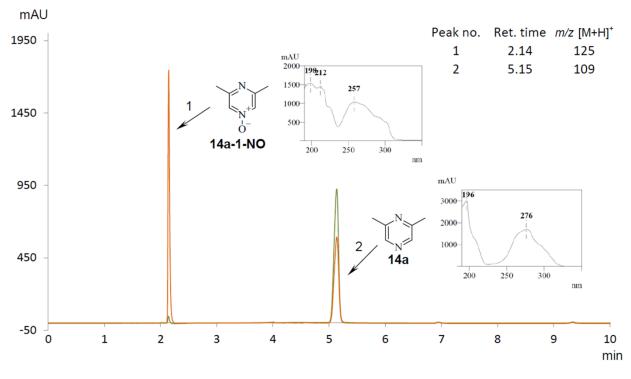
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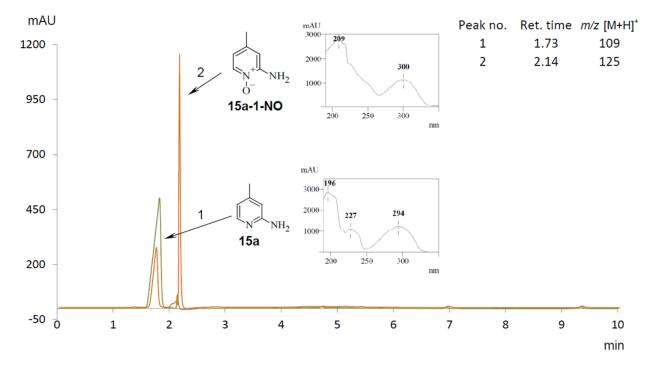
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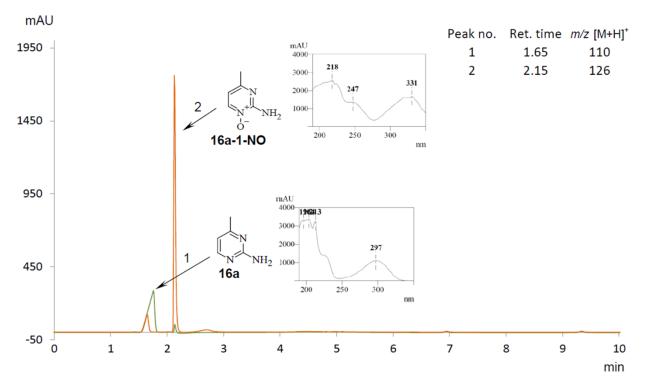
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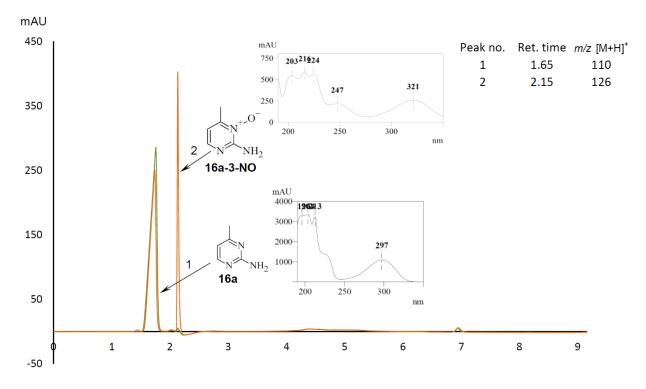
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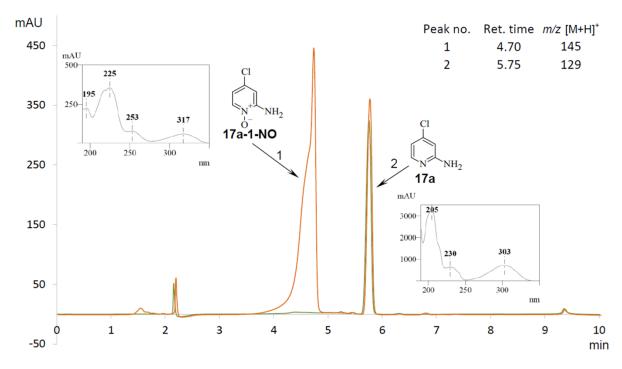
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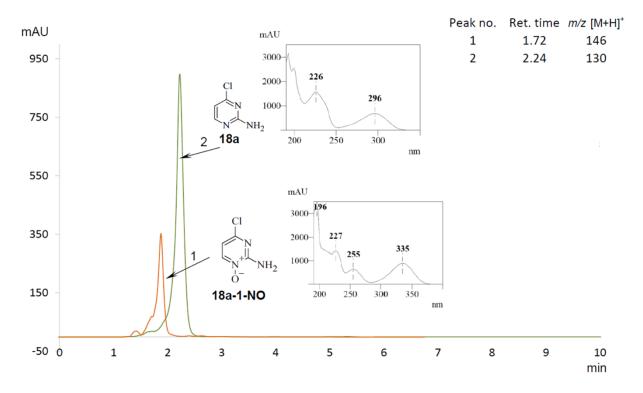
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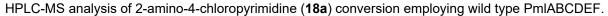


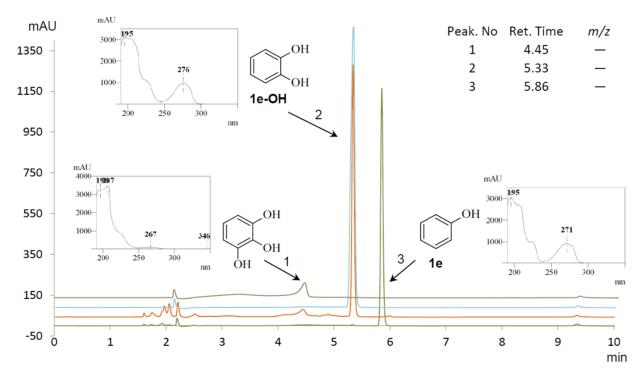
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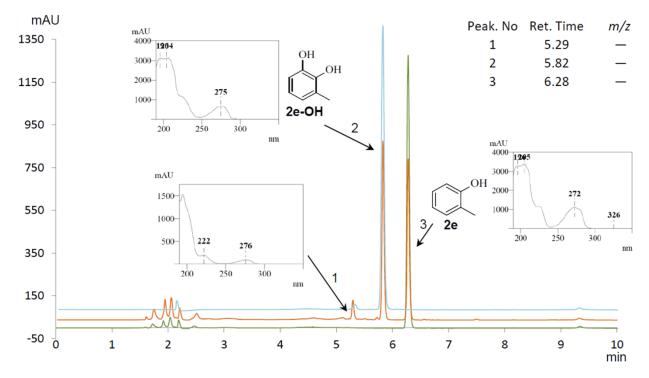
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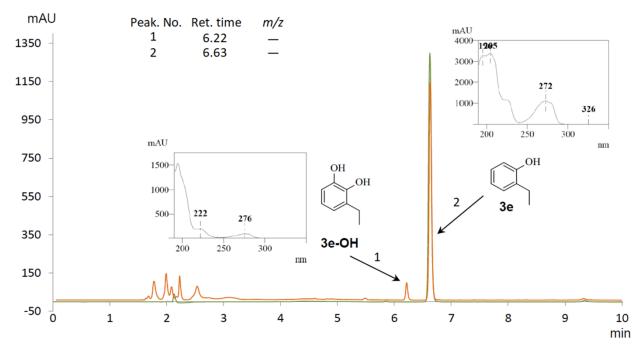




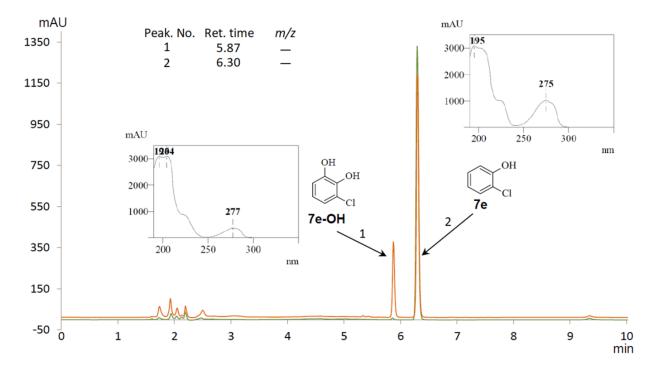
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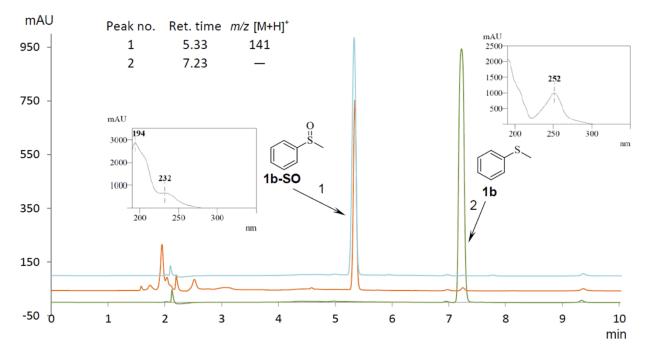
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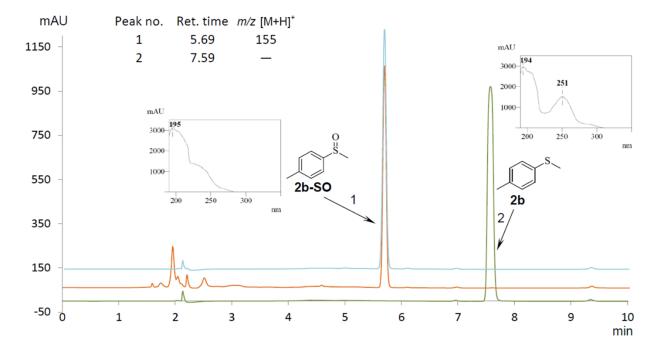
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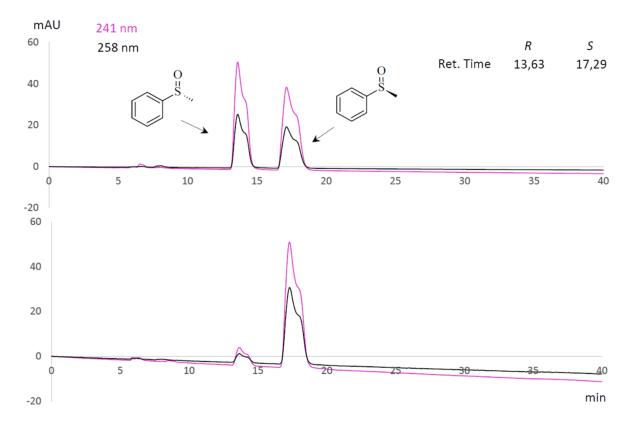
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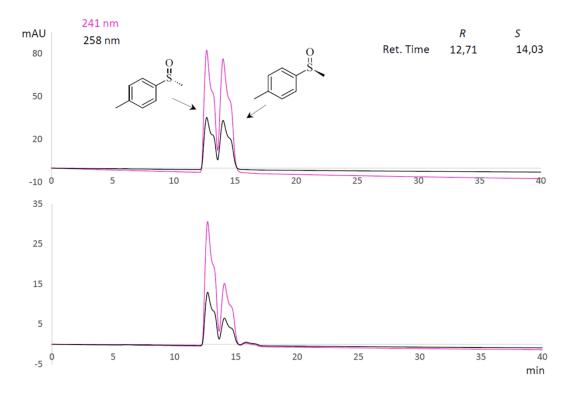
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Chromatograms of chiral HPLC analysis

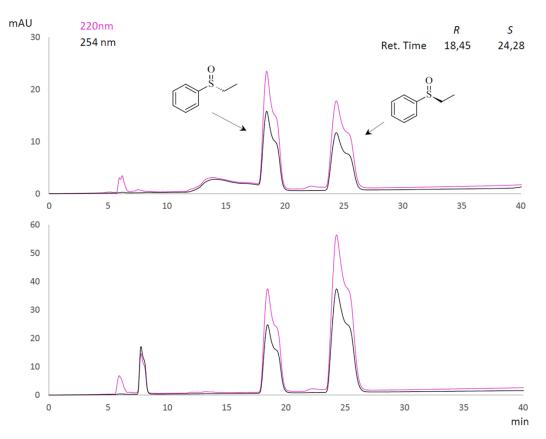
All analyses were done on CHIRALCEL OD-H, 250 x 4.6 mm, 5 µm column (Daicel, Japan). Hexane/ 2-propanol = 90 : 10 system was used, flow rate 0.5 ml min⁻¹. Stacked chromatograms were generated using wavelengths of 241 nm and 220 nm (pink lines); 258 nm and 254 (black lines). The upper panels show chromatograms of appropriate analytical standards, while the lower panels depict end products of Pml-catalysed bioconversions. The absolute configuration was determined by comparison of the optical rotation with the literature value.



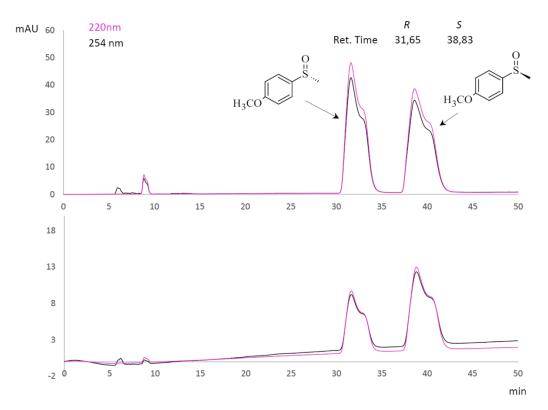
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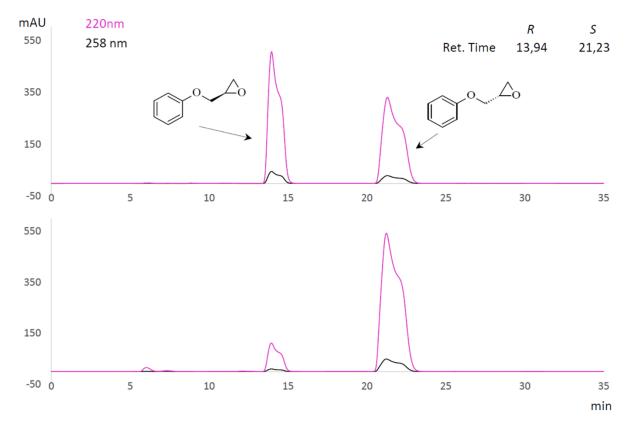
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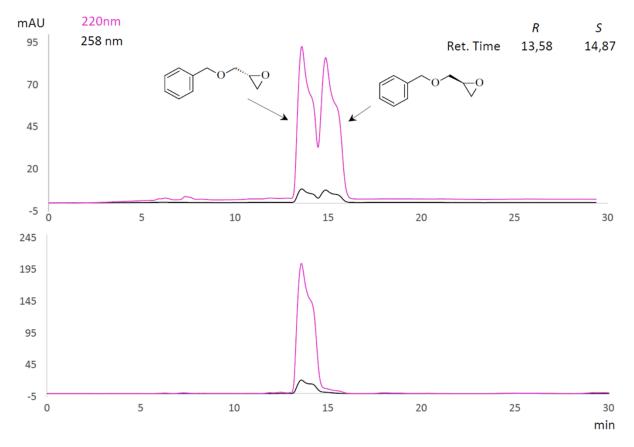
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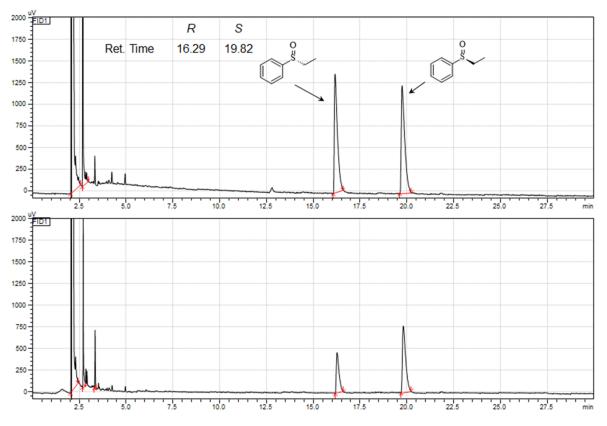
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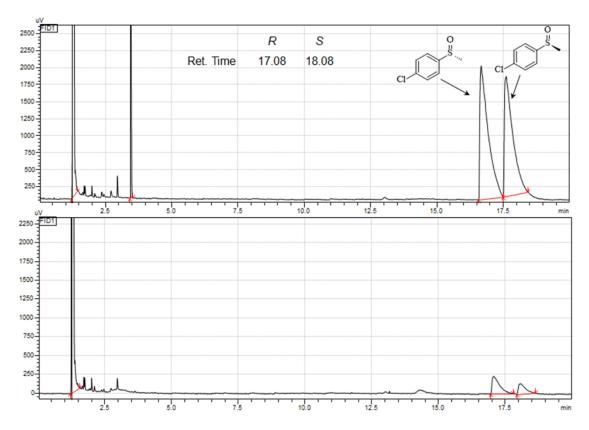
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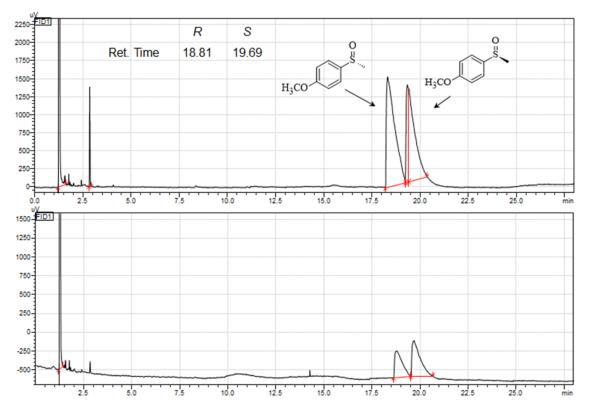
The measurements were done with an Astec Chiraldex G-PN Column (length 30 mm, inner diameter 0.25 mm, film thickness 0.12 μ m) from Sigma-Aldrich, Germany. Helium was used as a carrier gas with a linear velocity of 50 cm sec⁻¹. The injection volume was 1 μ L with an injection port temperature of 350 °C and a split ratio of 1:200. The upper panels show chromatograms of appropriate analytical standards, while the lower panels depict end products of Pml-catalysed bioconversions. The absolute configuration was determined by comparison of the optical rotation with the literature value.



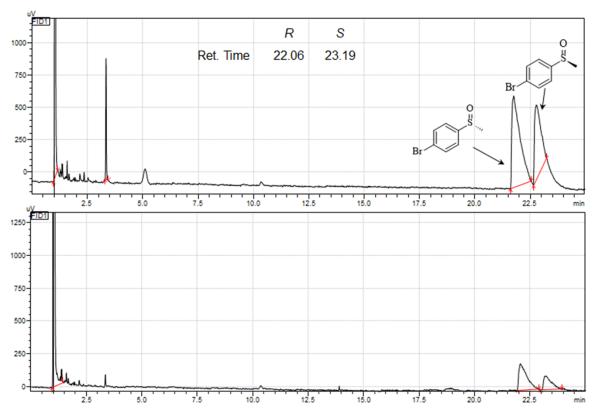
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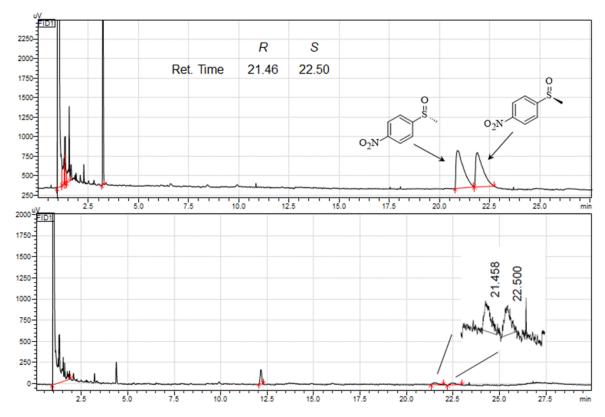
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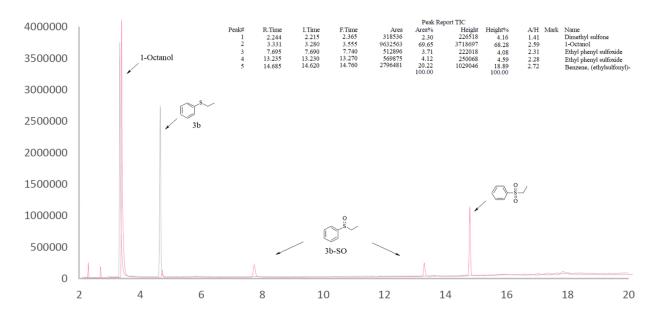
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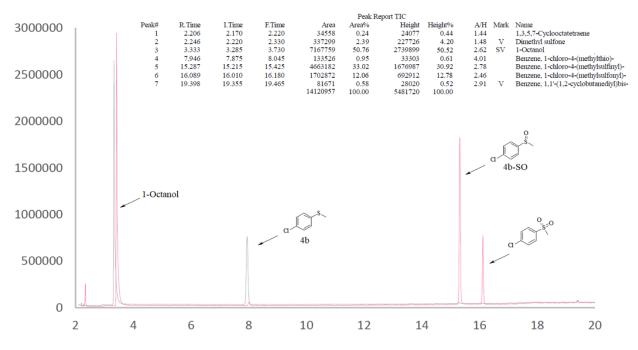
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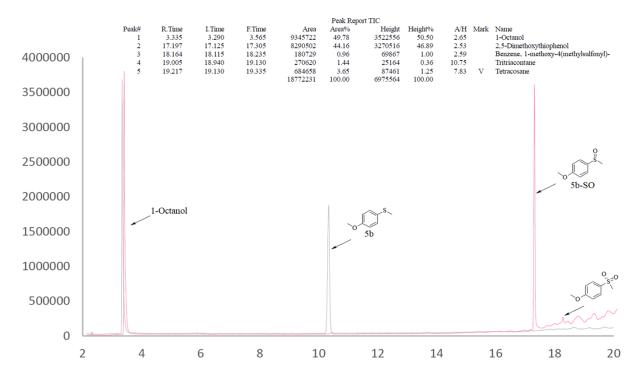
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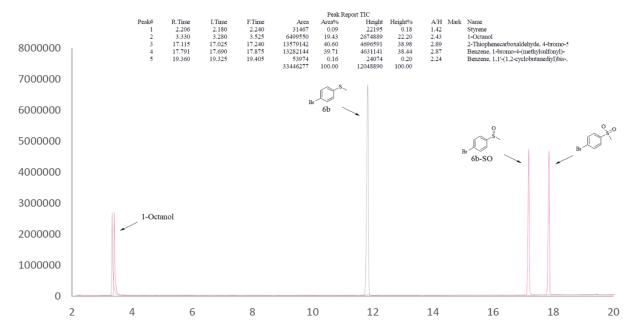
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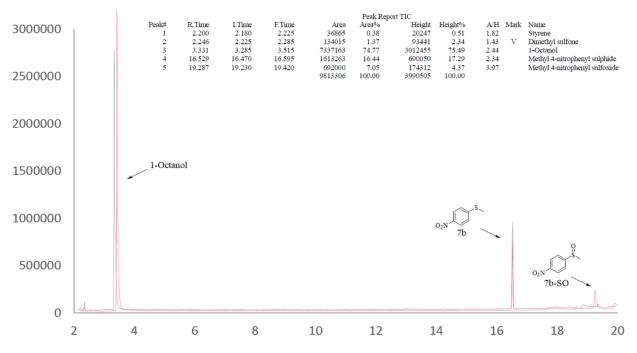
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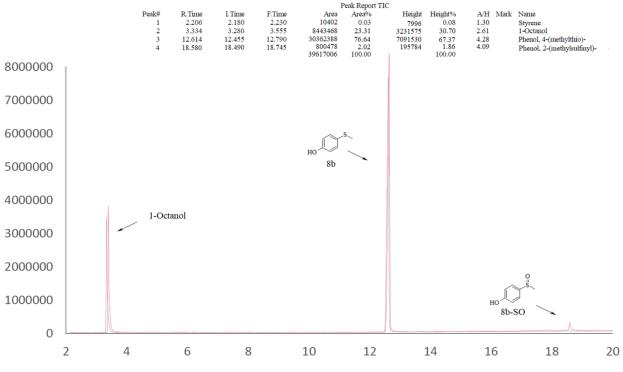
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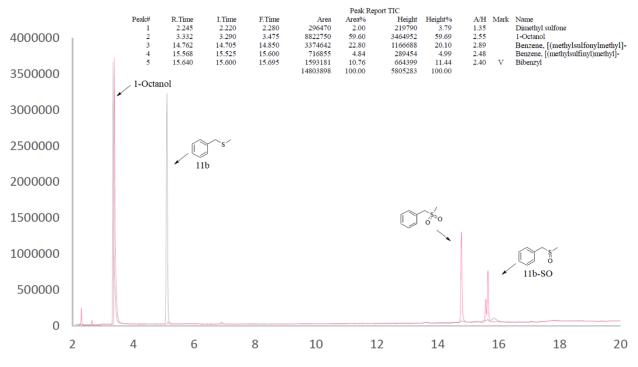
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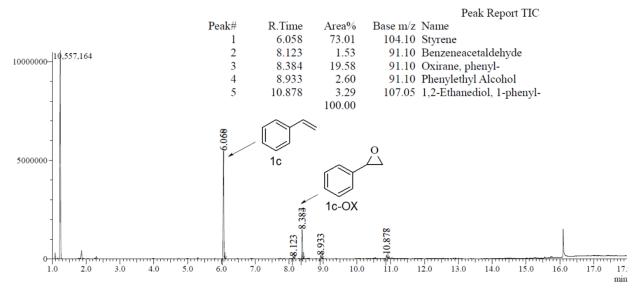
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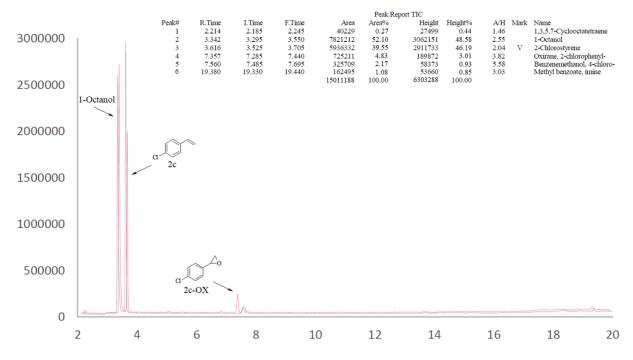
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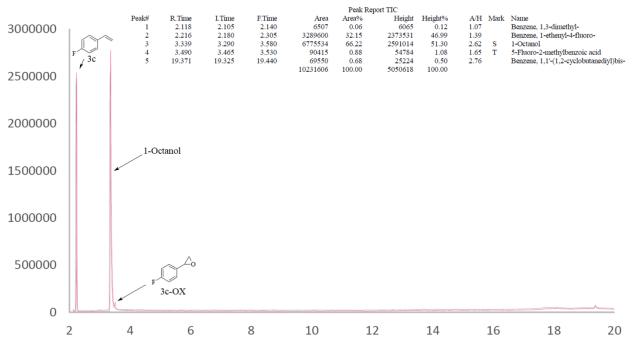
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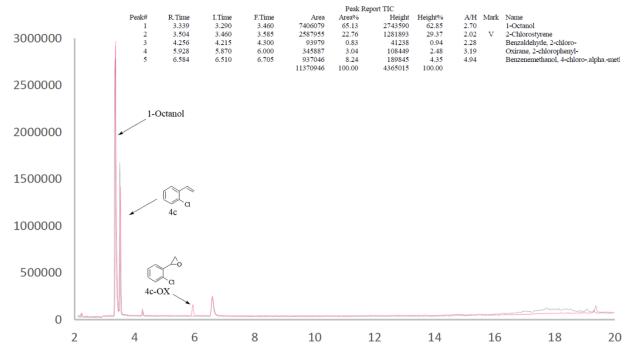
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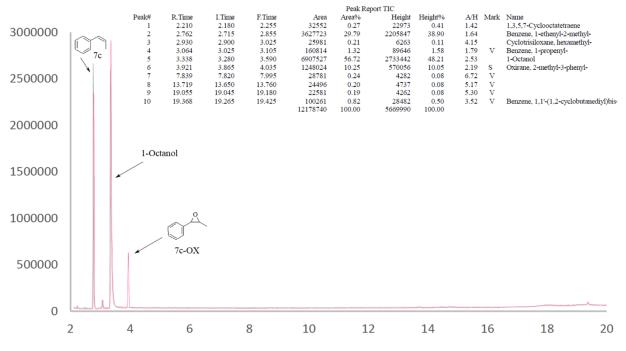
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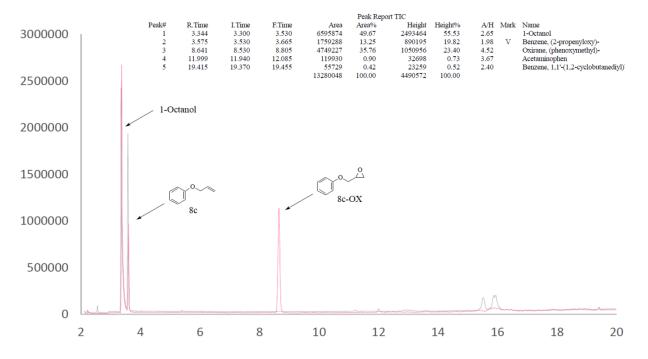
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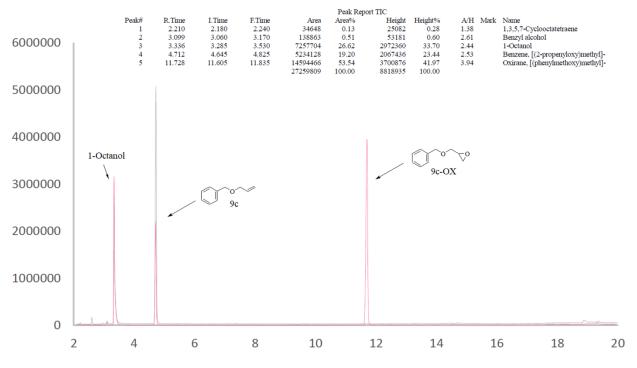
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GC-MS analysis of *cis*- β -methylstyrene (**7c**) conversion employing wild type PmIABCDEF.



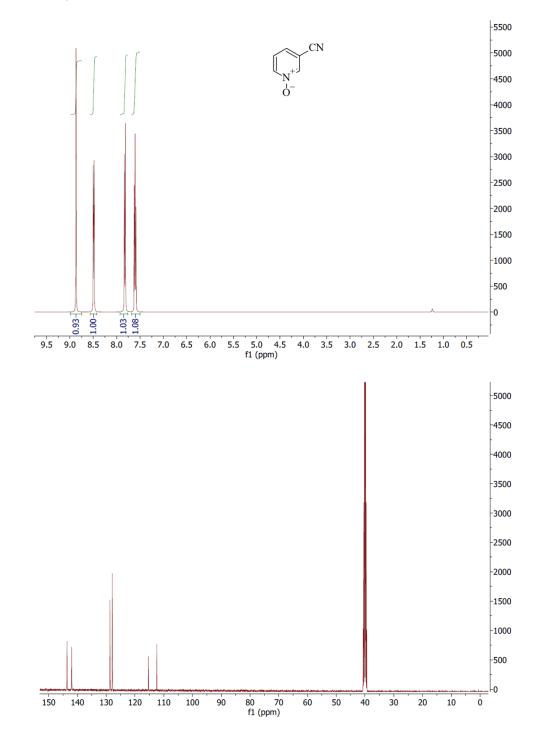
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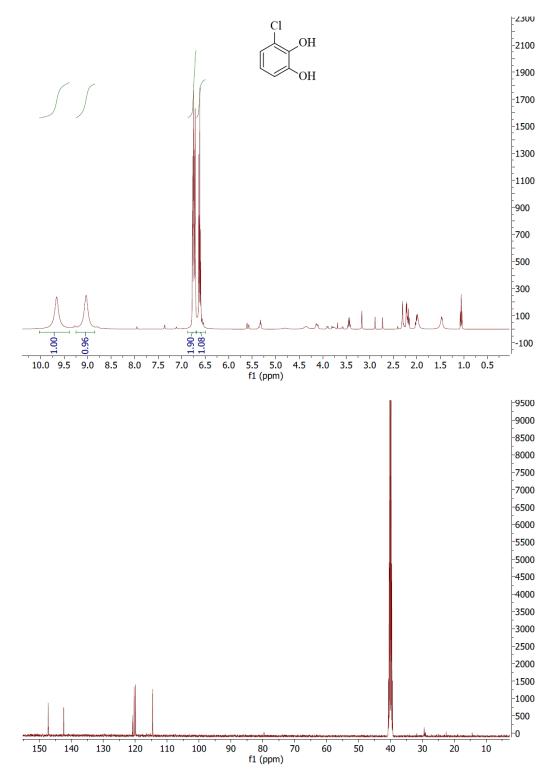
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NMR spectra of synthesized compounds

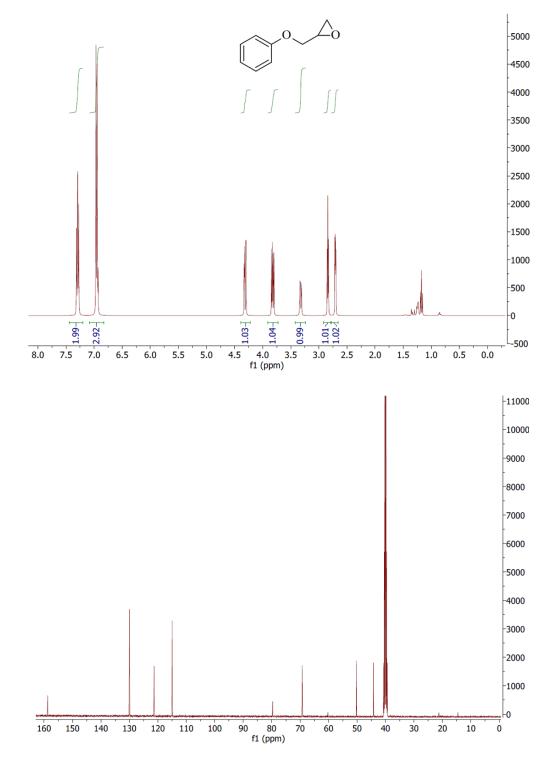
3-Cyanopyridine-1-oxide (**9a-1-NO**) was prepared according to the general biocatalysis procedure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (CHCl₃ : CH₃OH; 5 : 1) to give a white solid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ = 7.60 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H, CH), 7.82 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H, CH), 8.49 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H, CH), 8.87 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H, CH). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ = 112.43, 115.35, 127.86, 128.7, 142.01, 143.64.



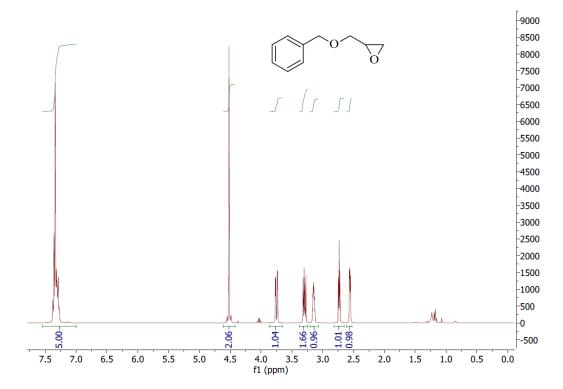
3-Chlorocatechol (**1e-OH**) was prepared according to the general biocatalysis procedure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (CHCl₃ : CH₃OH; 5 : 1) to give a brown solid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ = 6.57 – 6.66 (m, 1H, CH), 6.69 – 6.81 (m, 2H, CH), 9.03 (br. s, 1H, OH), 9.66 (br. s, 1H, OH). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ = 114.52, 119.90, 120.33, 120.75, 142.35, 147.22.

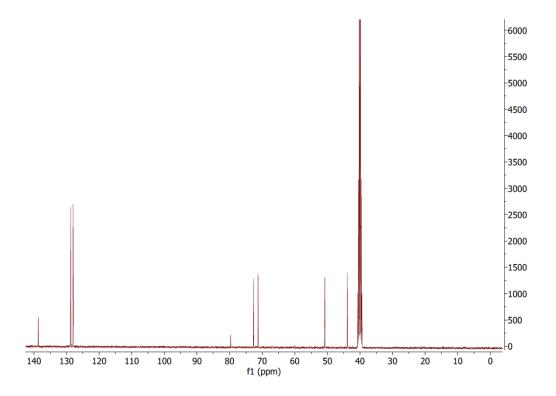


Phenyl glycidyl ether (**8c-OX**) was prepared according to the general biocatalysis procedure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (n-hexane : EtOAc; 9 : 1) to give a colourless oily liquid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ = 2.71 (dd, *J* = 5.1, 2.7 Hz, 1H, CH), 2.84 (dd, *J* = 5.1, 4.2 Hz, 1H, CH), 3.24 – 3.42 (m, 1H, CH), 3.82 (dd, *J* = 11.3, 6.5 Hz, 1H, CH), 4.31 (dd, *J* = 11.3, 2.7 Hz, 1H, CH), 7.08 – 6.83 (m, 3H, CH), 7.44 – 7.20 (m, 2H, CH). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ = 44.24, 50.19, 69.28, 114.96, 121.31, 129.98, 158.70.



Benzyl glycidyl ether (**9c-OX**) was prepared according to the general biocatalysis procedure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (n-hexane : EtOAc; 9 : 1) to give a colourless oily liquid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ = 2.56 (dd, *J* = 5.2, 2.7 Hz, 1H, CH), 2.73 (t, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 1H, CH), 3.07 – 3.21 (m, 1H, CH), 3.30 (dd, *J* = 11.5, 6.4 Hz, 1H, CH), 3.75 (dd, *J* = 11.5, 2.7 Hz, 1H, CH), 4.52 (s, 2H, CH), 7.26 – 7.39 (m, 5H, CH). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-d6): δ = 43.88, 50.76, 71.27, 72.62, 127.95, 128.00, 128.73, 138.68.





TLC analysis of regioselective N-oxide synthesis

End products of the oxygenation reactions i) using *m*CPBA ii) WT Pml biocatalysis iii) A113G Pml biocatalysis were visualized on TLC for a better presentation. The exact structures of analysed compounds have been described in our previous study.

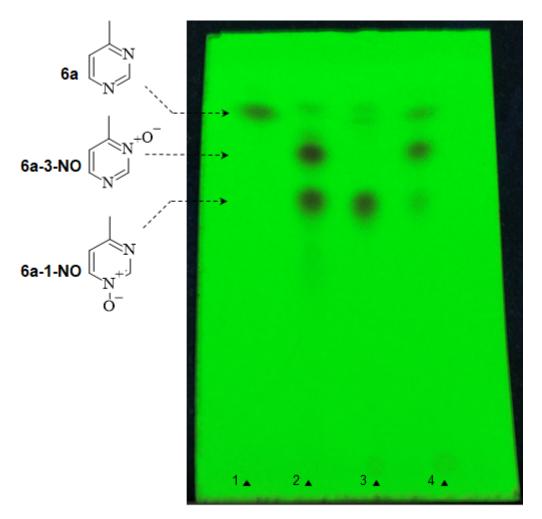


Fig. S1 TLC analysis of reaction mixtures for 4-methylpyrimidine (**6a**). The analysis was performed applying TLC Silica gel 60 F_{254} aluminium sheets from Merck, eluent system CHCl₃-MeOH (5:1). Lane 1 indicates control (starting compound), lane 2 – oxidation with *m*CPBA, lane 3 – biocatalysis with wild type PmIABCDEF, lane 4 – biocatalysis with PmID A113G variant of PmIABCDEF.

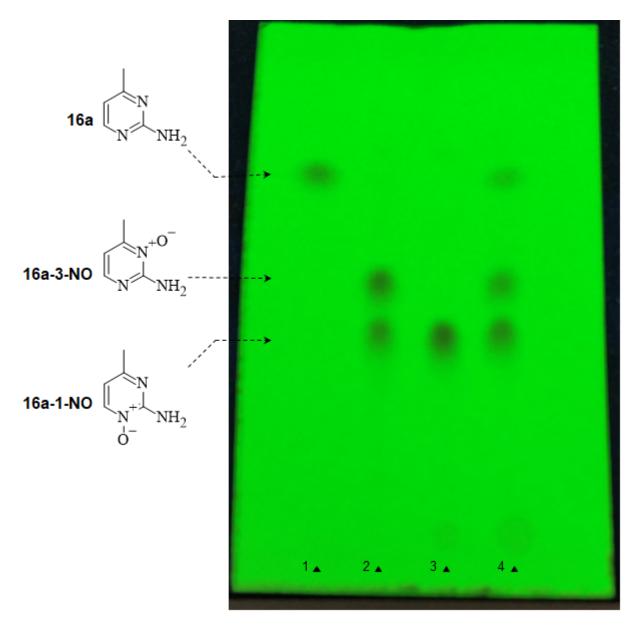


Fig. S2 TLC analysis of reaction mixtures for 2-amino-4-methylpyrimidine (**16a**). The analysis was performed applying TLC Silica gel 60 F_{254} aluminium sheets from Merck, eluent system CHCl₃-MeOH (5:1). Lane 1 indicates control (starting compound), lane 2 – oxidation with *m*CPBA, lane 3 – biocatalysis with wild type PmIABCDEF, lane 4 – biocatalysis with PmID A113G variant of PmIABCDEF.

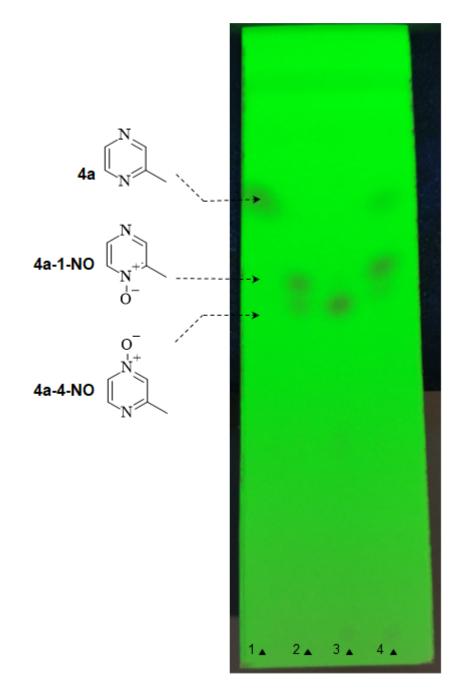


Fig. S3 TLC analysis of reaction mixtures for 2-methylpyrazine (**4a**). The analysis was performed applying TLC Silica gel 60 F_{254} aluminium sheets from Merck, eluent system CHCl₃-MeOH (9:1). Lane 1 indicates control (starting compound), lane 2 – oxidation with *m*CPBA, lane 3 – biocatalysis with wild type PmIABCDEF, lane 4 – biocatalysis with PmID A113G variant of PmIABCDEF.