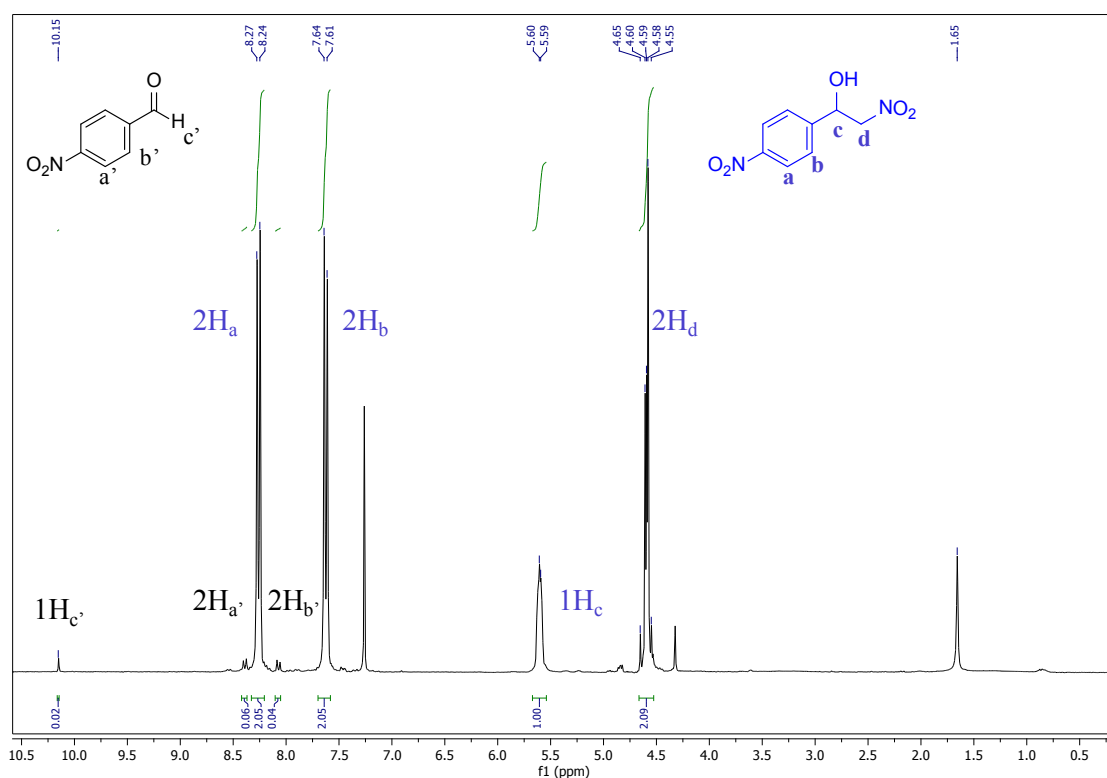


## **Tuning lipase B from *Candida antarctica* C-C Bond Promiscuous Activity by immobilization on Poly-Styrene–Divinylbenzene beads**

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**General Procedure for the Preparation of Nitroalcohols.** A typical experiment procedure is as follows: Over a suspension of the corresponding aldehyde (0.57 mmol) in water (2.80 mL) were added nitromethane (5.7 mmol) and supported enzyme (200 mg). The mixture was shaken at 40 °C and 250 rpm for the corresponding time. After that time, the reaction was quenched by adding H<sub>2</sub>O (5 mL) and the aqueous phase extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3 × 5 mL). The organic phases were combined, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and filtered, and the solvent was removed by distillation under reduced pressure. The reaction crude was analyzed by NMR to determine the conversion. The products were isolated and purified by column flash chromatography using hexane/AcOEt as already reported by us and others<sup>1,2</sup>

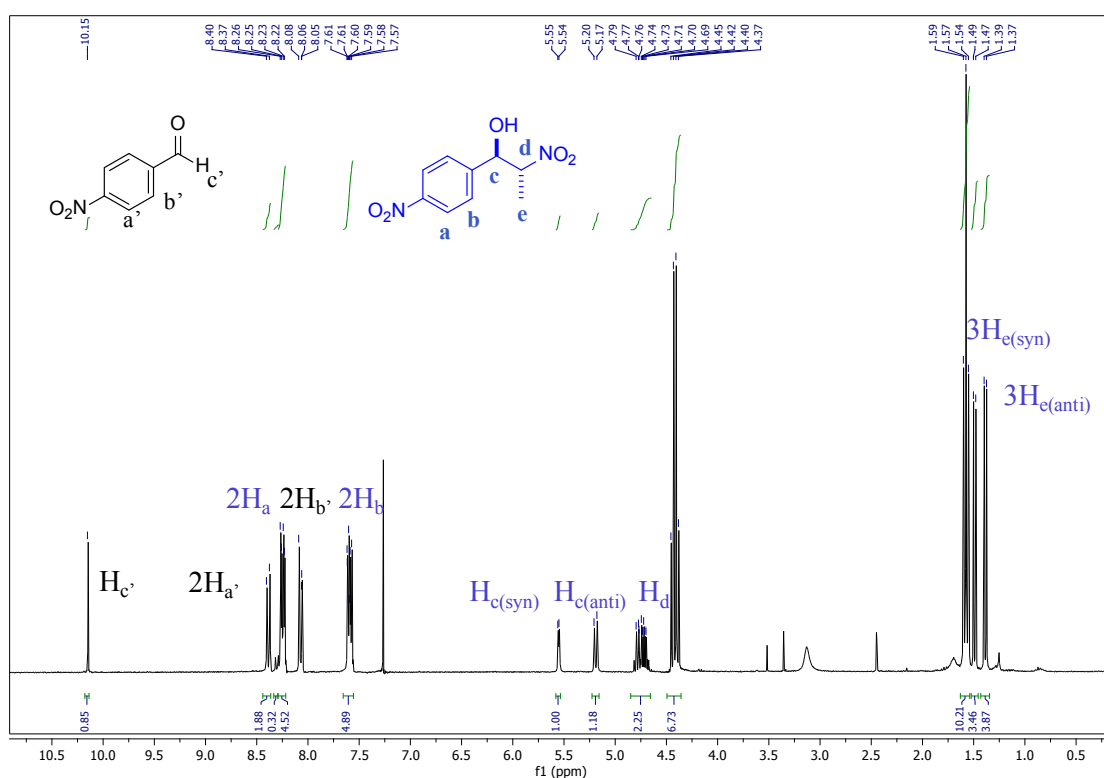
**2-Nitro-1-(4-nitrophenyl)ethanol:** *Rf* (20% EtOAc/hexane) 0.25; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300.13 MHz): δ 2.25 (brs, 1H), 4.58-4.61 (m, 2H), 5.63-5.68 (m, 1H), 7.64 (d, 3J<sub>HH</sub>) 6.5 Hz, 2H), 8.26 (d, 3J<sub>HH</sub>) 6.5 Hz, 2H);  
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75.5 MHz): δ 70.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 81.0 (CH), 125.5 (2CH), 127.4 (2CH), 145.5 (C), 148.5 (C).



**Figure 1.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR of 2-nitro-1-(4-nitrophenyl)ethanol. The conversion had been calculated using the following equation:

$$C = \frac{(A_c/nH_c) \times 100}{\left( (A_c/nH_c) + (A_c/nH_c) \right)}, \text{ where } A \text{ is proton integration area and } nH \text{ is number of protons of the corresponding signal.}$$

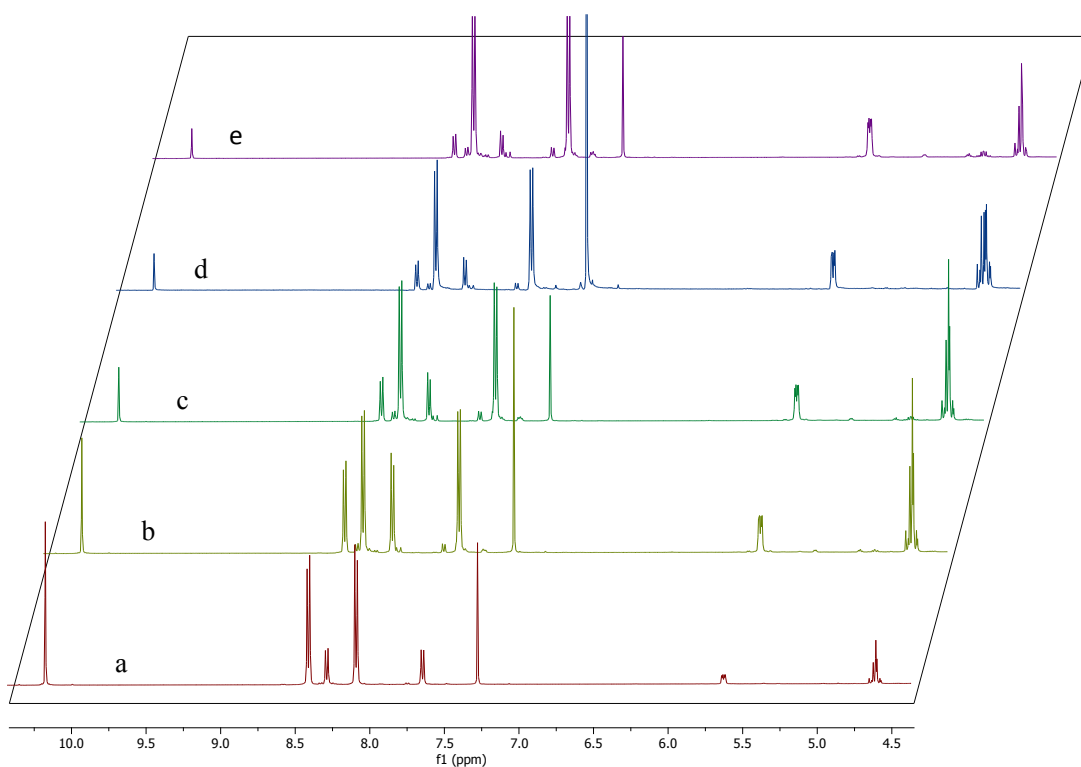
**2-Nitro-1-(4-nitrophenyl)propan-1-ol:** *R<sub>f</sub>* (20% EtOAc/hexane) 0.29; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300.13 MHz): δ 1.35 (d, 3*J*<sub>HH</sub>) 7.1 Hz, 3*H*<sub>syn</sub>), 1.52 (d, 3*J*<sub>HH</sub>) 7.1 Hz, 3*H*<sub>anti</sub>), 3.20 (brs, 1*H*<sub>syn</sub>+1*H*<sub>anti</sub>), 4.59-4.72 (m, 1*H*<sub>syn</sub>+1*H*<sub>anti</sub>), 5.20 (d, 3*J*<sub>HH</sub>), 9.3 Hz, 1*H*<sub>syn</sub>), 5.55 (d, 3*J*<sub>HH</sub>) 3.5 Hz, 1*H*<sub>anti</sub>), 7.58-7.63 (m, 1*H*<sub>syn</sub>+1*H*<sub>anti</sub>), 8.21-8.35 (m, 1*H*<sub>syn</sub>+1*H*<sub>anti</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75.5 MHz): δ *anti* 11.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 72.3 (CH), 86.6 (CH), 123.8 (2CH), 126.9 (2CH), 145.2 (C), 148.1 (C). δ *syn* 16.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 74.9 (CH), 87.7 (CH), 124.0 (2CH), 127.8 (2CH), 145.5 (C), 148.1 (C).



**Figure 2.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR of 2-nitro-1-(4-nitrophenyl)propan-1-ol. The conversion had been calculated using the following equation:

$$C = \frac{\left[ \frac{[A]_{c(syn)}}{H_{c(syn)}} + \frac{[A]_{c(anti)}}{H_{c(anti)}} \right]}{\left[ \frac{[A]_{c'}}{H_{c'}} + \frac{[A]_{c(syn)}}{H_{c(syn)}} + \frac{[A]_{c(anti)}}{H_{c(anti)}} \right]} \times 100$$

, where A is proton integration area and nH is number of protons of the corresponding signal..



**Figure 3.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of kinetic reaction carried out by PS-DVB-CALB at different times; a) 4h, b) 8h, c) 12h, d) 16h y e) 24h.

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