

## SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

**Table A.** Sequence of the synthetic oligonucleotides used for site-directed mutagenesis of cDNA of the arabidopsis 3 $\beta$ HSD/D gene.

Strain	Sense oligonucleotide sequence (5' – 3')
D39V	CACGTTCGTATGCC <u>GTTT</u> AGCTCCTGCGATAGTG
D70V	CAATACGTCCCCGCT <u>GTT</u> CTTCGGAACAAA <u>ACTCAAG</u>
D70A	CAATACGTCCCCGCT <u>GCT</u> CTTCGGAACAAA <u>ACTCAAG</u>
T129V	GAGGCTAAC <u>TCTATGTA</u> AGTTCTCCGAGTGTGTTGACGGG
S131A	GAGGCTAAC <u>TCTATA</u> ACAAGT <u>GCTCC</u> GAGTGTGTTGACGG
S133A	GGCTAAC <u>TCTATA</u> ACAAGT <u>CTCCGG</u> C <u>GCT</u> GTTGTGTTGACGGGGTC
S133T	CTATACAAGT <u>TCTCCG</u> ACT <u>GTTGTGTTG</u> ACGGGGTC
S133Y	GGCTAAC <u>TCTATA</u> ACAAGT <u>TCTCCG</u> AT <u>GTTGTGTTG</u> ACGGGGTC
Y159F	CCACCTAAC <u>GATAATGATT</u> C <u>ATTT</u> CAG <u>CTACTAA</u> AGCTGAAGG
K163I	GATT <u>CATATT</u> CAG <u>CTACTA</u> <u>AG</u> CTGAAGGGGAAG <u>CTT</u> GATT <u>TT</u>
R318I	CCAGTG <u>CTAACAC</u> CT <u>CTATT</u> GTTAGG <u>CTACT</u> CT <u>CTTG</u>
R326I	GG <u>CTACTCTT</u> G <u>CAAC</u> <u>ATAC</u> ATTGATT <u>CTCAA</u> AAGCAAGG
$\Delta[288-303]$	CAAGTATAAA <u>AGATA</u> AC <u>CTGC</u> AGGAC <u>CCGT</u> AT <u>GGGAT</u> GAA <u>AGTAC</u>

## LEGEND OF FIGURE A

Examples of double-reciprocal plots for recombinant *At3 $\beta$ HSD/D* activities by microsomes of *S.cerevisiae erg26* null mutant expressing wild-type *At3 $\beta$ HSD/D* and various active mutant enzymes. Assays were conducted as described in the Materials and Methods. Straight lines were fitted by using a computer-assisted least-squares method.

**Panel A :** *4 $\alpha$ -carboxy-cholest-7-en-3 $\beta$ -ol* [2] reaction by microsomes expressing wild-type *At3 $\beta$ HSD/D* (■), and mutants R318I (○), S131A (●), and S133A (▲) enzymes.

**Panel B :** *4 $\alpha$ -carboxy-4 $\beta$ -methyl-cholest-8,24-dien-3 $\beta$ -ol* [3] reaction by microsomes expressing wild-type *At3 $\beta$ HSD/D* (●), and mutant S133A (○) enzymes.

**Panel C :** Reaction by microsomes expressing mutant S133T with *4 $\alpha$ -carboxy-cholest-7-en-3 $\beta$ -ol* [2] (■) and *4 $\alpha$ -carboxy-4 $\beta$ -methyl-cholest-8,24-dien-3 $\beta$ -ol* [3] (●).

Figure A

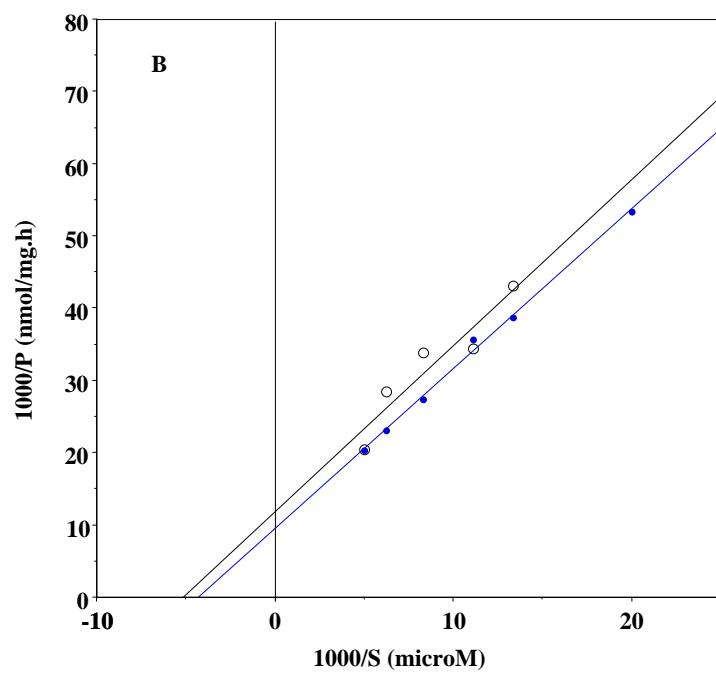
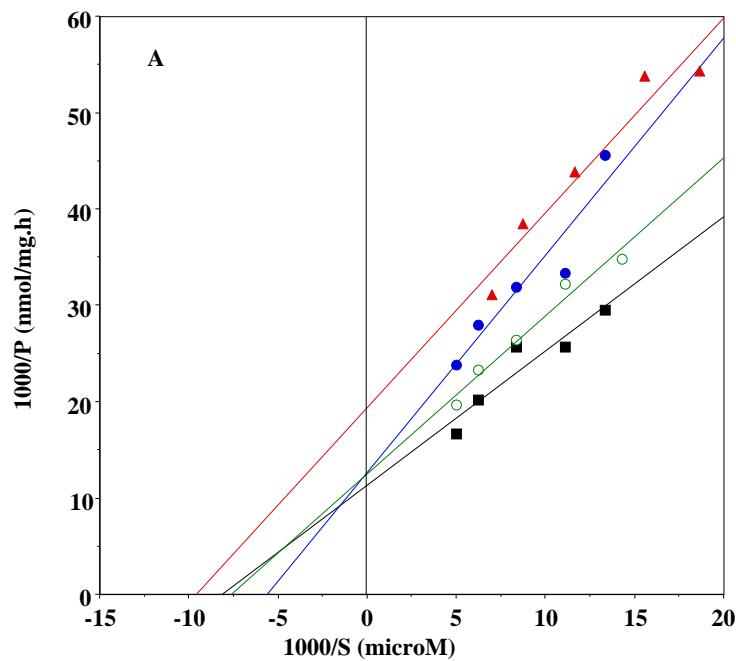


Figure A

