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| Mutant | Forward primer ² | Reverse primer ² |
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| F61L | CTGAACCATTTTACCACCTGTTAGACGGACAAGCC | GGCTTGTCCGTCTAACAGGTGGTAAAATGGTTCAG |
| F61Y | ATCTGAACCATTTTACCACCTGTATGACGGACAAGC | GCTTGTCCGTCATACAGGTGGTAAAATGGTTCAGAT |
| F61W | GAACCATTTTACCACCTGTGGGACGGACAAGCCCTTCTGC | GCAGAAGGGCTTGTCCGTCCCACAGGTGGTAAAATGGTTC |
| Y275F | GTCTTTGGGGAGCCAACTTCATGGATTGTTTTGAGTC | GACTCAAAACAATCCATGAAGTTGGCTCCCCAAAGAC |
| Y275W | AGTCTTTGGGGAGCCAACTGGATGGATTGTTTTGAGTCCA | TGGACTCAAAACAATCCATCCAGTTGGCTCCCCAAAGACT |
| Y275I | GAGTCTTTGGGGGAGCCAACATCATGGATTGTTTTGAGTCC | GGACTCAAAACAATCCATGATGTTGGCTCCCCAAAGACTC |
| Y239W | GACCGATTCAAGCCATCGTGGGTCCATAGTTTTGGTTTGA | TCAAACCAAAACTATGGACCCACGATGGCTTGAATCGGTC |
| Y239F | CGATTCAAGCCATCGTTCGTCCATAGTTTTGGTTTG | CAAACCAAAACTATGGACGAACGATGGCTTGAATCG |
| Y239L | CGATTCAAGCCATCGCTCGTCCATAGTTTTGGTTTG | CAAACCAAAACTATGGACGAGCGATGGCTTGAATCG |
| Y239S | CGATTCAAGCCATCGTCCGTCCATAGTTTTGGTTTG | CAAACCAAAACTATGGACGGACGATGGCTTGAATCG |
| Y239T | CGATTCAAGCCATCGACCGTCCATAGTTTTGGTTTG | CAAACCAAAACTATGGACGGTCGATGGCTTGAATCG |
| Y239C | CGATTCAAGCCATCGTGCGTCCATAGTTTTGGTTTG | CAAACCAAAACTATGGACGCACGATGGCTTGAATCG |
| Y239D | CGATTCAAGCCATCGGACGTCCATAGTTTTGGTTTG | CAAACCAAAACTATGGACGTCCGATGGCTTGAATCG |
| W331Y | GTGGATCTCTGCTGCTACAAAGGATTTGAATTC | GAATTCAAATCCTTTGTCGCAGCAGAGATCCAC |
| W331F | GTGGATCTCTGCTGCTTCAAAGGATTTGAATTC | GAATTCAAATCCTTTGAAGCAGCAGAGATCCAC |
| W331L | GTGGATCTCTGCTGCTTGAAAGGATTTGAATTC | GAATTCAAATCCTTTCAAGCAGCAGAGATCCAC |
| W331Q | GTGGATCTCTGCTGCCAGAAAGGATTTGAATTC | GAATTCAAATCCTTTCTGGCAGCAGAGATCCAC |
| T147W | GATTACTATGCCTGCTGGGAGACCAACTTCATTAC | GTAATGAAGTTGGTCTCCCAGCAGGCATAGTAATC |
| T147Y | GATTACTATGCCTGCTACGAGACCAACTTCATTAC | GTAATGAAGTTGGTCTCGTAGCAGGCATAGTAATC |
| T147V | GGGAAGATTACTATGCCTGCGTGGAGACCAACTTCATTACAA | TTGTAATGAAGTTGGTCTCCACGCAGGCATAGTAATCTTCCC |
| T147A | GAAGATTACTATGCCTGCGCGGAGACCAACTTCATTA | TAATGAAGTTGGTCTCCGCGCAGGCATAGTAATCTTC |
| T147C | GGGGAAGATTACTATGCCTGCTGCGAGACCAACTTCATTACAAAG | CTTTGTAATGAAGTTGGTCTCGCAGCAGGCATAGTAATCTTCCCC |
| T147G | GGAAGATTACTATGCCTGCGGGGAGACCAACTTCATTACA | TGTAATGAAGTTGGTCTCCCCGCAGGCATAGTAATCTTCC |
| T147S | GATTACTATGCCTGCAGCGAGACCAACTTCATTAC | GTAATGAAGTTGGTCTCGCTGCAGGCATAGTAATC |
| F103W | GAGAAAAGGATCGTCATAACGGAATGGGGCACCTGTGCGT | ACGCACAGGTGCCCCATTCCGTTATGACGATCCTTTTCTC |

F103YGAAAAGGATCGTCATAACGGAATATGGCACCTGTGCF103IGAAAAGGATCGTCATAACGGAAATTGGCACCTGTG

F103L GAAAAGGATCGTCATAACGGAACTTGGCACCTGTG

ACGCACAGGTGCCCCATTCCGTTATGACGATCCTTTTCTC GCACAGGTGCCATATTCCGTTATGACGATCCTTTTC CACAGGTGCCAATTTCCGTTATGACGATCCTTTTC CACAGGTGCCAAGTTCCGTTATGACGATCCTTTTC ¹Predicted by QuikChange Primer Design Program (Stratagene division of Agilent Technologies) ²Primer sequences depicted in 5'-NNNN-3' orientation

Supplemental Figure Legends

Fig. S1: MALDI-TOF analysis of retinol standards. A: All-*trans* retinol. The major mass of ~286 corresponds to intact all-*trans* retinol while the mass at ~287 is due to stochastic occurrence of ¹³C. The masses at ~269 and ~270 are due to loss of hydroxyl from the intact ~286 and ~287 masses. The masses at ~302 and ~303 are ascribed to epoxidation of the intact ~286 and ~287 masses. B: $[15^{-2}H, ^{18}O]$ -all-*trans* retinol. The major mass of ~289 corresponds to intact labeled $[15^{-2}H, ^{18}O]$ -all-*trans* retinol while the mass at ~290 is due to stochastic occurrence of ¹³C. The masses at ~270 and ~271 are due to loss of ¹⁸O-labeled hydroxyl (¹⁸OH) from the intact ~289 and ~290 masses. The extra 1 atomic mass unit, compared to masses ~269 and ~270 in A, is due to presence of ²H label, which is not lost from the retinol. The mass at ~305 is ascribed to epoxidation of the intact ~289 species. Method as described in Experimental Procedures.

Fig. S2: Structural model and alignment of RPE65 and ACO. A: Stereo-pair model of RPE65 based on ACO template. Mouse RPE65 was modeled on *Synechocystis* ACO using the Swiss-Pdb viewer with apocarotenal (yellow) mounted in the ACO substrate-binding cleft. RPE65 structure is in green, ACO in silver. The propeller structure is well-maintained in RPE65, but the loops forming the dome above the catalytic site are more extensive in RPE65 and thus cannot be modeled on this template. B: Sequence alignment of RPE65 and ACO to show residues studied (F61, F103, T147, Y239, Y275 and W331) highlighted in red. Initial alignment obtained with DeepView/Swiss-PdbViewer (v3.7) was manually adjusted to maximize both gap suppression and alignment with predicted structural features (beta sheets and alpha helices). Residues 338-375 of RPE65 are restricted to metazoan carotenoid oxygenase family members. *=identity; .=similarity.

Fig. S3: Co-production of 11-*cis* and 13-*cis* retinols by RPE65. Data from Fig. 1B of Redmond et al. (8) were re-analyzed to extract 13-*cis* isomer information. Cultures were transfected with six different combinations: 1, pVitro2/RPE65+CRALBP; 2, pVitro2/RPE65 and pVitro3/LRAT+RDH5; 3, pVitro2/RPE65+CRALBP and pVitro3/LRAT+RDH5; 4, pVitro3/LRAT+RDH5; 5, pVitro2/CRALBP and pVitro3/LRAT+RDH5; and 6, no DNA. These were incubated with 2.5 µM all-*trans* retinol, as described in (8).

Supplemental Figure S1



Supplemental Fig. S2



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| RPE65 | 1 | MSIQIEHPA | GGYKKLFETV | EELSSPLTAH | VTGRIPLWLT | GSLLRCGPGL |
|-------|-----|---------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| ACO | 12 | QRSYSP | QDWLRGYQSQ | PQEWDYWVED | VEGSIPPDLQ | GTLYRNGPGL |
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| RPE65 | 50 | FEVGSEPFYH | LFDGQALLHK | FDFK-EGHVT | YHRRFIRTDA | YVRAMTEKRI |
| ACO | 58 | LEIGDRPLKH | PFDGDGMVTA | FKFPGDGRVH | FQSKFVRTQG | YVEEQKAGKM |
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| RPE65 | 99 | VITE-FGTCA | FPDPCKNIFS | RFFSYFKGVE | VTDNALVNIY | PVGEDYYACT |
| ACO | 108 | IYRGV <mark>F</mark> GSQP | AGGWLKTIFD | LRLKNIAN | -TNIT | YWGDRLLALW |
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| RPE65 | 148 | ETNFITKINP | ETLETIKQVD | LCNYISVNG- | ATAHPHIESD | GTVYNIGNCF |
| ACO | 150 | EGGQPHRLEP | SNLATIGLDD | LGGILAEGQP | LSAHPRIDPA | STFDGGQPCY |
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| RPE65 | 197 | GKNFTVAYNI | IKIPPLKADK | EDPINKSEVV | VQFPCSDRFK | PSYVHSFGLT |
| ACO | 200 | VTFSIKSSLS | STLTLLELDP | QGKL | LRQKTETFPG | FAFIHDFAIT |
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| RPE65 | 247 | PNYIVFVETP | VKINLFKFLS | SWSLWGANYM | DCFESNESMG | VWLHVADKKR |
| ACO | 244 | PHYAIFLQNN | VTLNGLPYL- | -FGLRGAG | ECVQFHPDKP | AQIILVPRDG |
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| RPE65 | 297 | RKYFNNKYRT | SPFNLFHHIN | TYEDNGFLIV | DLCCWKGFEF | VYNYLYLANL |
| ACO | 290 | GEIKRIPVQ- | -AGFVFHHAN | AFEENGKIIL | DSICYNSLPQ | v |
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| RPE65 | 347 | RENWEEVKRN | AMKAPQPEVR | RYVLPLTIDK | 7 DTGRNLVTL | PHTTATATLR |
| ACO | 328 | | | D | DGDFRSTNF | DNLDPGQLWR |
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| RPE65 | 397 | SDETIWLEPE | VLFSGPRQAF | EFPQINYQKF | GGKPYTYAYG | LGLNHF |
| ACO | 350 | FTIDPAAATV | EKQLMVSRCC | EFPVVHPQQV | G-RPYRYVYM | GAAHHSTGNA |
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| RPE65 | 443 | VPDKLCKMNV | KT-KEIWMWQ | EPDSYPSEPI | FVSQPDALEE | DDGVVLSVVV |
| ACO | 399 | PLQAILKVDL | ESGTETLRSF | APHGFAGEPI | FVPRPGGVAE | DDGWLLCLIY |
| | | * | . * | **** | *** * | *** .* |
| RPE65 | 492 | SPGAGQKPAY | LLVLNAKDLS | EIARAEVETN | IPVTFHGLFK | RS |
| ACO | 449 | KADLHRSELV | ILDAQDITAP | AIATLKLKHH | IPYPLHGSWA | QT |
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