#### **Supplemental Data**

#### SUPPLEMENTAL FIGURE LEGENDS

**Supplemental Figure 1.** Residue  $Ala^{213}$  of methylated  $His_6$ -PR and its nearby region. The residues  $Pro^{206}$  and  $Ile^{207}$  (stick presentation, in green) are most closely positioned to  $Ala^{213}$  (stick presentation, in purple) in the neighboring symmetry molecule. The shortest distances between the  $Ala^{213}$  side chain carbon and  $Pro^{206}$  and  $Ile^{207}$  are 3.47 Å and 3.57 Å, respectively.

**Supplemental Figure 2.** Size exclusion chromatogram of methylated and un-methylated  $His_6$ -PR. *Aspergillus niger* glucose oxidase (150 kDa), BSA (67 kDa), ovalbumin (45 kDa) and  $\alpha$ -Chymotrypsin (25 kDa), were used to create the calibration curve (dark blue). Un-methylated  $His_6$ -PR (5 mg/ml) shows two peaks in the chromatograph (blue). The major peak at 65 ml elution volume represents the monomeric form of PR in solution. The corresponding molecular weight of ~38 kDa is consistent with findings from SDS-PAGE (data not shown). The second peak at 56 ml elution volume (~72 kDa) indicates the dimeric form of PR in solution. According to the peak area, the ratio between monomer and dimer is around 4:1. Methylated  $His_6$ -PR (5 mg/ml) shows a single peak (pink), indicating that methylated PR exists only as monomer in solution, and the molecular weight is ~48 kDa.

**Supplemental Figure 3.** NADPH binding site. All the surrounding residues (Ser<sup>205</sup>, Gly<sup>208</sup>, Gly<sup>279</sup>, Thr<sup>280</sup>, Thr<sup>281</sup>, Lys<sup>282</sup>, Asn<sup>285</sup>, Asn<sup>288</sup>, and Asn<sup>289</sup>) that were observed to form hydrogen bonds with the cofactor NADPH (stick presentation in green) are shown in white stick presentation. The hydrogen bonds are represented by dashed black lines.

**Supplemental Figure 4.** Two symmetric holo  $\text{His}_6$ -PR-A213W molecules in the crystal packing. Active sites were occupied by the neighbour symmetry molecule. The catalytic tetrad (Asp<sup>52</sup>, Tyr<sup>57</sup>, Lys<sup>84</sup> and His<sup>126</sup>) is in red. NADPH is in green stick presentation, and the modeled nicotinamide riboside part of NADPH is shown in black.

**Supplemental Figure 5.** Structural comparison of PR and a "generic" AKR to display the diversity in the C-terminus. *A*. The orientation of PR model to depict the decoration of the five additional  $\beta$ -strands (OOB1-5, purple) at C-terminus. OOB = out of barrel. *B*. A "generic" AKR (3 $\alpha$ -Hydroxysteroid dehydrogenase, PDB 1WLI) (38) with the same orientation as *A*.  $\beta$ 1 and  $\beta$ 8 which are missing in PR are in blue. The missing residues in Loop B are represented by dashed black lines. Loop A-C are in green. N- and C-terminus are marked with N and C.

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### Supplemental TABLE 1A

	Peak	Inflection	High remote
Wavelength (Å)	1.0723	1.0726	0.9537
$R_{\rm merge}$ (%) <sup>a</sup>	6.7 (59.9)	7.8 (83.2)	8.1 (62.5)
Completeness (%)	96.8 (90.4)	97.7 (95.7)	98.3 (95.2)
Multiplicity	2.13 (2.05)	2.14 (2.09)	4.18 (3.76)
$I / \sigma(I)$	11.13 (1.77)	10.32 (1.38)	14.87 (2.66)
Resolution (Å)	20-2.50 (2.50-2.63)		
Unit cell (Å)	a=60.52, b=91.83, c=143.81		
Space Group		C222 <sub>1</sub>	
SHELXD			
Highest resolution for sub-structure solution (Å)		3.7	
CC all <sup>b</sup>		47.71	
No. of Pt sites		2	
SHELXE			
Solvent content	0.55		
Contrast		0.634	
Connectivity		0.750	
Pseudo-Free CC (%) <sup>c</sup>		65.26	

MAD data collection and phasing statistics of methylated His<sub>6</sub>-PR

 ${}^{a}R_{merge} = |I_i - \langle I_i \rangle |I_i, I_i$  is the average intensity value of the equivalent reflections.

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#### **Supplemental TABLE 1B**

X-ray data collection and refinement statistics of methylated apo His<sub>6</sub>-PR-A213W and un-methylated His<sub>6</sub>-PR-A213W complex with NADPH

Structure	mPR-A213W <sup>a</sup>	PR-A213W+NADPH <sup>b</sup>
Data collection		
Wavelength (Å)	1.0	1.0
Total reflections	58206	132770
Unique reflections	20584	14294
Mosaicity	0.641	0.241
Resolution (Å)	40-2.20 (2.32-2.20)	20-2.33 (2.41-2.33)
Completeness (%)	95.4 (84.0)	99.6 (96.0)
$I / \sigma(I)$	27.8 (3.1)	45 (2.5)
$R_{ m merge}$ (%) <sup>c</sup>	5.8 (17.9)	7.9 (61.4)
Space Group	C222 <sub>1</sub>	P3 <sub>2</sub> 21
Unit cell (Å)	a = 58.09, b = 93.6 c = 142.98	a = b= 54.5, c = 200.4
<b>Refinement statistics</b>		
$R_{\rm work}^{\ \ d}/R_{\rm free}$ (%) <sup>e</sup>	21.2/24.7	21.5/25.4
No. of protein atoms	2188	2227
No. of water molecules	69	26
No. of NADP <sup>+</sup> atoms		
R.M.S.D. <sup>f</sup> Bond length (Å)	0.008	0.008
R.M.S.D. <sup><math>f</math></sup> Bond angle ( )	1.093	1.299
Average B-factors $(Å^2)$		
Protein	54.2	45.4
Water	51.1	45.1
$\mathbf{NADP}^{+}$		44.4
Ramachandran analysis (%)		
Most favored region	94.2	95.3
Allowed	4.7	4.3
Disallowed	1.1	0.4
PDB code	3V0U	3V0T

<sup>a</sup>mPR-A213W: methylated His<sub>6</sub>-PR-A213W mutant;

<sup>b</sup>PR A213W +NADPH: unmethylated His<sub>6</sub>-PR-A213W complexed with NADPH;

 ${}^{c}R_{merge} = |I_i - \langle I_i \rangle |I_i|$ ,  $I_i$  is the average intensity value of the equivalent reflections;

 ${}^{d}R_{\text{work}} = \Sigma(|F_{o} - F_{c}|)/\Sigma|F_{o}|, F_{o} \text{ and } F_{c} \text{ are observed and calculated structure factors, respectively.}$ 

 ${}^{e}R_{free}$  was calculated using 5 % randomly excluded data from refinement.

<sup>f</sup>R.M.S.D.: root mean square deviation.









