Structural basis for acyl acceptor specificity in the achrombactin biosynthetic enzyme AcsD

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Figure S1: Results of the AcsD activity assay for the following nucleophiles: L-serine, D-serine, D/L-serine, L-isoserine, L-cysteine, L-alanine, glycine, L-lactic acid, L-2,4-diamino butyric acid (L-2,4-DABA), L-2,3-diamino propionic acid (L-2,3-DAPA), L-2,3-dihydroxy propionic acid (L-2,3-DHPA), D/L-2,3-dihydroxy propionic acid (D/L-2,3-DHPA), 3-hydroxy propanoic acid (3-hydroxy PA), ethanolamine, ethylenediamine, ethylene glycol, 1,2-diaminopropane, hydroxylamine, no nucleophile (except water) and a control lacking AcsD. Error bars (one standard deviation) are shown and are derived from three independent experiments.



Figure S2: High resolution mass spectrometry of AcsD ester and amide products. **a** Observed (top row) and calculated mass (bottom row) of the AcsD product with L-serine as nucleophile in positive (left) and negative (right) ionization mode. **b** Observed (top row) and calculated mass (bottom row) of the AcsD product with L-2,3-diamino propionic acid (DAPA) as nucleophile in positive (left) and negative (right) ionization mode. **c** Observed (top row) and calculated mass (bottom row) of the AcsD product with 1,2-diaminopropane (DAP) as nucleophile in positive (left) and negative (right) ionization mode. **c** Observed (top row) and calculated mass (bottom row) of the AcsD product with 1,2-diaminopropane (DAP) as nucleophile in positive (left) and negative (right) ionization mode. **d** Observed (top row) and calculated mass (bottom row) of the AcsD product with ethylenediamine (EDA) as nucleophile in positive (left) and negative (right) ionization mode. **e** Observed (top row) and calculated mass (bottom row) of the AcsD product with hydroxylamine (HA) as nucleophile in negative ionization mode. **f** Observed (top row) and calculated mass (bottom row) of the AcsD product with ethanolamine (EA) as nucleophile in negative ionization mode. Note that the last two spectra (e and f) are noisier due to their lower activity as AcsD nucleophiles compared to DAPA or L-serine.



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Figure S3: MS and MS/MS analysis of AcsD catalyzed citric acid ester and amid. **a** MS reaction analysis on the Q-Star XL instrument. In all tested reactions production of AMP ($m/z = 346 [M-H]^{-}$) was observed, while ATP ($m/z = 506 [M-H]^{-}$ and $m/z = 528 [M-2H+Na]^{-}$) was consumed. Respective product peaks were marked with light blue circles. For citryl-L-DAPA or citryl-EDA a second peak corresponding to $m/z= [M-2H+Na]^{-}$ (dark blue circle) could be assigned. **b** MS/MS analysis of AcsD catalyzed products on the Q-Star XL instrument. Respective product peaks are labeled with light blue circles with mass losses to due fragmentation assigned. Fragmentation pattern including lost fragments and masses were assigned. In the case of hydroxylamine daughter fragments corresponding to N-citryl-hydroxylamine (blue) or O-citryl-hydroxylamine (red) were identified.



Figure S4: MS analysis of AcsD reaction with L-cysteine **a** Only in reactions where AcsD was present was a new peak with a m/z value of 294.11 observed on the LCT (Micromass, Manchester, UK) ESI MS instrument. This was observed in multiple repeats of the experiment. This peak corresponds to the theoretical m/z= 294.03 [M-H]⁻ value of citryl-L-cysteine. **b** MS/MS analysis of AcsD catalyzed products on the Q-Star XL instrument. The peak at m/z 111 characteristic for amide formation is absent ¹. The mass at 150.98 matches C₆HSO₃⁻ (loss of 3 waters and C₃H₅NO₂ (main chain of amino acid)). We were unable to obtain definitive fragmentation data and our assignment of the citryl-L-cysteine remains tentative.



Figure S5: Theoretical fragmentation pattern of citryl-hydroxylamine a) Possible fragments for N-citryl-hydroxylamine b) Possible fragments for O-citryl-hydroxylamine. Peaks for both are observed Figure S3.

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Figure S6: Activity assay of wild type AcsD and a R501K mutant with 2,3-diaminopropionic acid (DAPA).

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