

Activity and Crystal Structure of *Arabidopsis thaliana* UDP-*N*-acetylglucosamine
Acyltransferase

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Supporting Information

Figure S1. Sequence alignment of AtLpxA and EcLpxA.

Panel A: AtLpxA and EcLpxA showed 38% identity (red) and 53% similarity according to the alignment result by clustalW⁹. Highlighted regions in blue or green represent predicted extra inserts in AtLpxA. The N-terminal region of AtLpxA (underlined) is predicted to be a signal peptide by Mitoprot software¹². Amino acids 1-32 were removed and replaced by a methionine residue during cloning of SJD-01.

Panel B: Alignment of AtLpxA and EcLpxA considering the AtLpxA crystal structure. The residues with insufficient electron densities to build into the model are indicated in grey. Abbreviations: PB, parallel beta strand; T, turn.

A.

		PB1	T1	PB2	T2	PB3	T3													
	AtLpxA							<u>MISLLKAREKLLSPLVSSSTIRRLSSSLSYSRED</u>	33											
	EcLpxA							-----												
C1	AtLpxA	SRD	SE	VLIH	PS	AVVH	PN		50											
	EcLpxA	-MID	KS	AFVH	PT	AIVE	EG		17											
C2	AtLpxA	AVIG	KG	VSVG	PY	CTIG	SS		68											
	EcLpxA	ASIG	AN	AHIG	PF	CIVG	PH		35											
C3	AtLpxA	VKLG						NGCKLYPSSHVFGNTELG	90 (extra insert 1)											
	EcLpxA	VEIG						-----	21											
C3 (continued)																				
	AtLpxA		ES	CVLM	TG	AVVG	D	ELPG	107 (extra insert 2)											
	EcLpxA		EG	TVLK	SH	VVVN	G	----	52											
C4	AtLpxA	TFIG	CN	NIIG	HH	AVV		GVKQDLKYKHGDECF	139 (loop 1)											
	EcKpxA	TKIG	RD	NEIY	QF	ASI		GEVNQDLKY-AGEPTR	83											
C5	AtLpxA	LCIG	NN	NEIR	EF	CSI		HR-SSKPSDK	163 (loop 2)											
	EcLpxA	VEIG	DR	NRIR	ES	VTI		REGTVQGGGL	108											
C6	AtLpxA	TVIG	DN	NLIM	GS	CHIA	HD		181											
	EcLpxA	TKVG	SD	NLLM	IN	AHIA	HD		126											
C7	AtLpxA	CKIG	DR	NIFA	NN	TLLA	GH		199											
	EcLpxA	CTVG	NR	CILA	NN	ATLA	GH		144											
C8	AtLpxA	VVVE	DN	THTA	GA	SVVH	QF		217											
	EcLpxA	VSVD	DF	AIIG	GM	TAVH	QF		162											
C9	AtLpxA	CHIG	SF	AFIG	GG	SVV	SQ		234											
	EcLpxA	CIIG	AH	VMVG	GC	SGV	AQ		179											
C10	AtLpxA	DVP	KY	MM					241											
	EcLpxA	DVP	PY	VI					186											
C-terminal domain																				
	AtLpxA	VAGERAE	LRGLN	LEGLRR	NGFTM	SEMKS	LRAAYR	KIFMSTET	VSLSF	EERL	TELEQDQEL	301								
	EcLpxA	AQGNH	ATPFC	VNI	EGLKRR	GF	SREAITA	IRNAYK	LIYRS	GK----	TLDEVKPEIAEL	242								
	AtLpxA	YSVPA	VSA	MLQS	I	RDS	F	TESRR	GICK	FRQ	WLDSTT	336								
	EcLpxA	Y--	PEV	K	A	F	T----	D	F	A	R	S	T	R	G	L	I	R	-----	262

B.

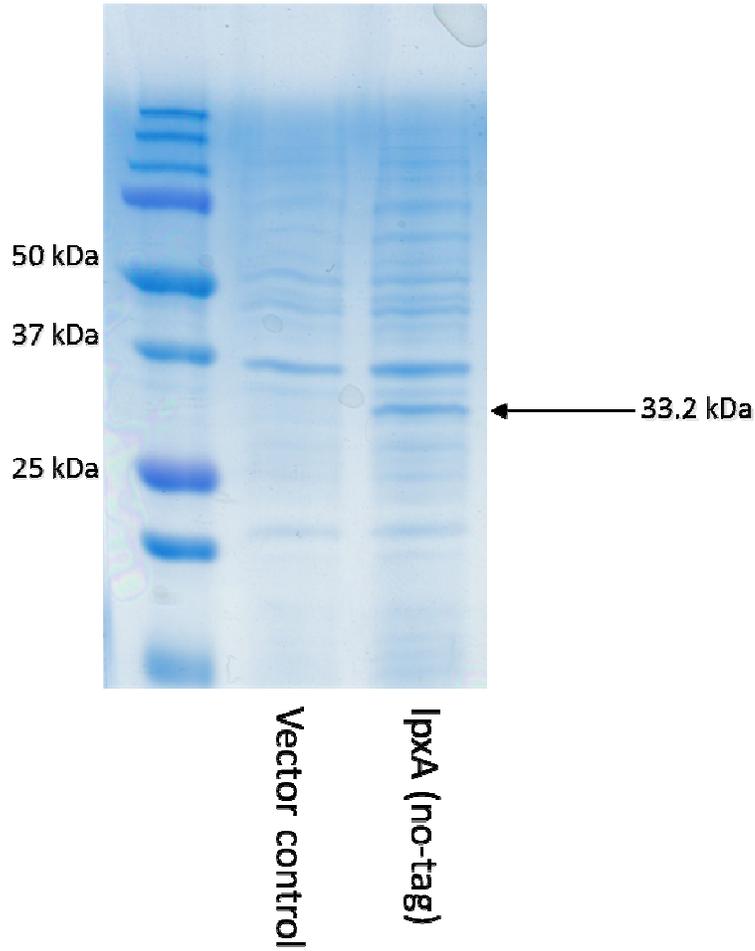
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	EcLpxA	----	--	----	--	----	--		
C1	AtLpxA	AVIG	KG	VSVG	PY	CTIG	SS	68	
	EcLpxA	-MID	KS	AFVH	PT	AIVE	EG	17	
C2	AtLpxA	VKLG	NG	CKLY	PS	SHVF	GN	86	
	EcLpxA	ASIG	AN	AHIG	PF	CIVG	PH	35	
C3	AtLpxA	TELG	ES	CVLM	TG	AVVG	D	ELPG	107 (loop 0)
	EcLpxA	VEIG	EG	TVLK	SH	VVVN	G	----	52
C4	AtLpxA	TFIG	CN	NIG	HH	AVV		GVKCQDLKYKHGDECF	139 (loop 1)
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C10	AtLpxA	DVP	KY	MM					241
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C-terminal domain

AtLpxA	VAGERAE LRGLNLEGLRRNGFTMSEMKS LRAAYRKIFMSTETVSLSFEE RLTELEQDQEL	301
EcLpxA	AQGNHATPFGVNI EGLKRRGFSREAITAIRNAYKLIYRS GKT L----DEVKPEIAELAE T	242
AtLpxA	YSVPAVSAMLQSI RDSFTESR RGICKFRQWLDSTT	336
EcLpxA	Y--PEVKAFTDFFARST----RGLIR-----	262

Figure S2. Overexpression and Purification of AtLpxA from *E. coli* C41 (DE3) strains

A. Expression of AtLpxA in *E. coli* C41 (DE3) strain. Cell lysate was loaded into each lane after boiling for 5 min in Laemmli sample buffer. The predicted molecular weight for AtLpxA is 33,241 Da.



B. Purification of AtLpxA with Green-19 dye column and size exclusion chromatography. **Left side**, About 10 mg of protein was purified from 1 liter culture of *E. coli* C41 (DE3) harboring pET-21b(+)-AtLpxA. Lane 1: cell lysate, 2: green column flow through, 3: wash with 0 M KCl, 4: 100 mM KCl, 5: 200 mM KCl, 6: 400 mM KCl, 7: 1 M KCl. **Right side**, chromatogram of AtLpxA in size exclusion gel filtration. The largest peak corresponds to the AtLpxA trimer, and the preceding peaks seem to be aggregates.

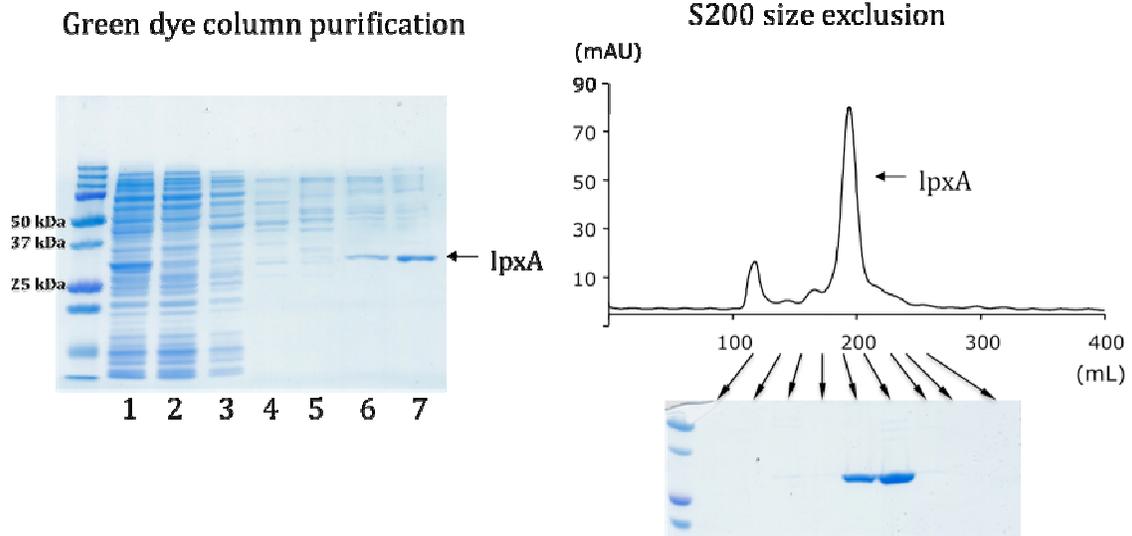
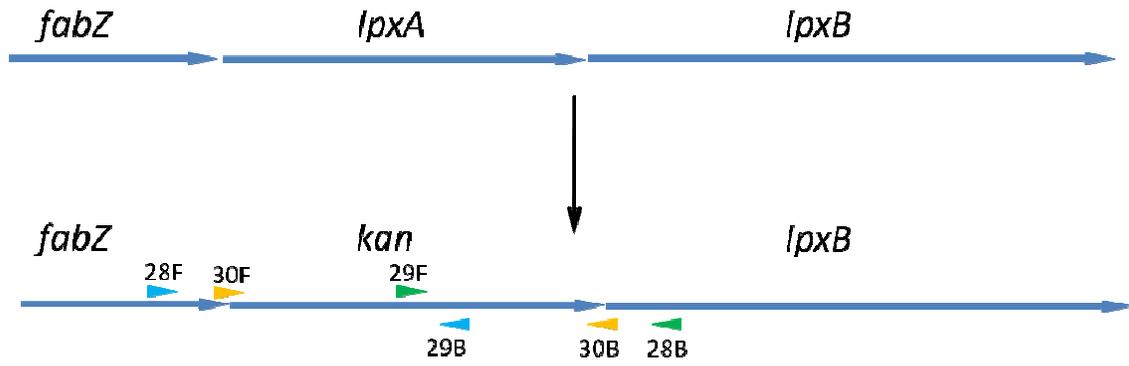


Figure S3. Construction of *E. coli* mutants lacking chromosomal *lpxA* gene.

A. Scheme for the replacement of *lpxA* by a *kan* cassette.



B. DNA sequence of the region flanking the *kan* cassette in *lpxA* knockout mutants. Nucleotides for *kan* are capitalized and numbered. DNA sequences corresponding to the PCR primers (SJP-030F, SJP-030B) for *kan* amplification are highlighted in yellow, and underlined are the start and stop codons in the region. The presence of *kan* inserted between *fabZ* and *lpxB* was first screened by amplifying the 3' region of *fabZ* through 5' region of *kan* (primers SJP-028F and SJP029B, highlighted in blue) and the 3' region of *kan* through 5' region of *lpxB* (primers SJP-029F and SJP-028B, highlighted in green). The larger piece of DNA was prepared for DNA sequencing by amplifying the 3' region of *fabZ* through 5' *lpxB* with primers SJP-028F and SJP-028B. Boxed is the ribosome-binding site for *lpxB* expression.

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Figure S4. A bent rod-shape of L β H domain of AtLpxA.

An asymmetric unit of AtLpxA (green) is aligned to a monomer of the trimeric EcLpxA(1LXA, grey colored). Top: top down view from amino terminal side of rotational axis. Bottom: side view. Left Bottom: enlarged view of the coils C0 through C7 in the L β H domain. The angle measured between C α carbons of coil C2 (Pro71 of AtLpxA, Pro28 of EcLpxA) and coil C6 (Gly174 of AtLpxA, Ile119 of EcLpxA) at turn T2 regions is $\sim 7^\circ$ ([the angle between](#) blue lines), and the distance between C α carbons of coil C6 is 2.4 Å.

