

# Identification of the Ah-receptor structural determinants for ligand preferences

## Supplemental materials:

**Figure S1**

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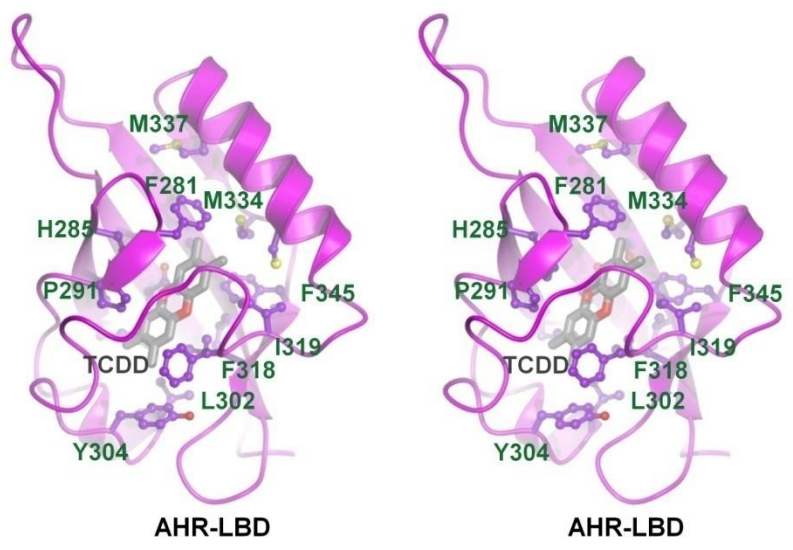
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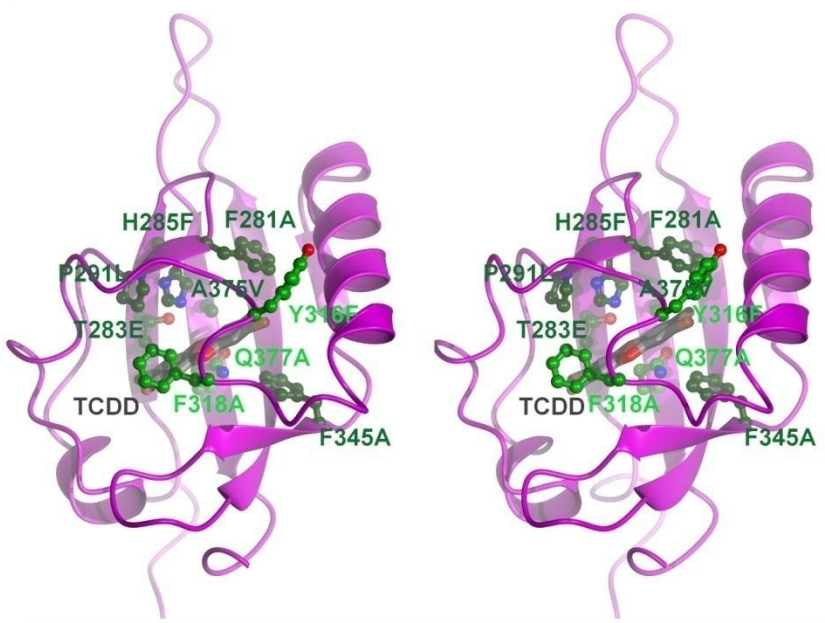
	290	300	310	320	330
mAHR-B	KHKLDFTPI GCDAKGQLI LGYTEVELCTRGSGYQFI HAADI LHCAESHI RMI KT				
HIF2 $\alpha$	EHSMDMKFTYCDDRI TELI GYHPEELLGR- SAYEFYHALDSENMTKSHQNLCTK				
				"belt"	
	340	350	360	370	380
mAHR-B	TGESGMTVFRL LAKHSRWRWVQSNARLI Y - - RNGRPDYI I ATQRPLTDEEGR				
HIF2 $\alpha$	KGQVVSGQYRML AKHGGYVWLETQGTVI YNPRNLQPQCI MCVNYVLSEI EKN				
				H $\beta$ -I $\beta$ loop	

**Figure S1.** Sequence alignment of human HIF2 $\alpha$  and the B allele of mouse AHR. The "belt" sequence and loop H $\beta$ -I $\beta$  are highlighted. Identical residues are highlighted in yellow.

**A**



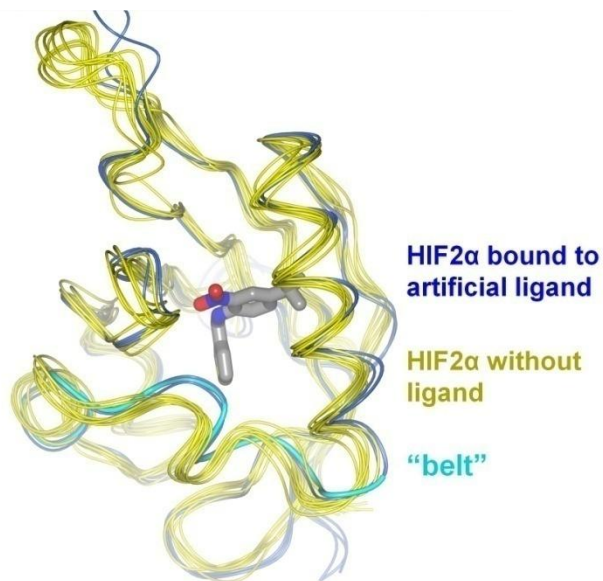
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**Figure S2.** The AHR residues lining the ligand binding pocket. (A) Stereo of the model of the mAHR-LBD bound to TCDD, illustrating residues lining the ligand binding pocket. These include F281, T283, H285, F289, P291, L302, Y304, F318, I319, C327, M334, M337, F345, L347, V357, S359, A375, Q377, and are selectively labeled. (B) Stereo of the model of the mAHR-LBD bound to TCDD, illustrating mutations shown in previous studies (29) that abolish (dark green) or compromise ligand binding (green).

	290	300	310	320	330
AHR-B	IFRTKHKLDFTPIGCDAGQLILGYTEVELCTRGSYQFIHAADILHCAES				
AHR-D	IFRTKHKLDFTPIGCDAGRIVLGYTEAELCTRGSYQFIHAADMLYCAES				
drAHR1a	MFKTK <b>Y</b> KLDFTPIACDTNWNFVLGYTEAELCNSGSYQFIHAADMMYCAEG				
	340	350	360	370	
AHR-B	HIRMIKTGESGMTVFRL LAKHSRWRWVQSNARLIYRNGRPDYIIATQRP .				
AHR-D	HIRMIKTGESGMI VFRL LTKNNRWTWVQSNARLLYKNGRPDYII <b>V</b> TQRP .				
drAHR1a	HMRMMRTGETGLTVFRL LTKQNRWVWVQSNGLVYKNGQPDCI <b>I</b> TSHRV .				

**Figure S3.** Sequence alignment of mouse AHR B-allele, D-allele, and the nonfunctional allele of zebra fish (drAHR1a). Identical residues are highlighted in yellow. V375 in mouse D-allele and Y285/T375 in drAHR1a are highlighted in bold.



**Figure S4.** Alignment of crystal structures of HIF2 $\alpha$  bound to artificial ligands (PDB codes: 3H7W, 3H82, 3F1N) (blue) and its NMR structures in the absence of ligands (PDB code: 2A24) (yellow). The “belt” in 3H7W is shown in cyan.