

THE CRYSTAL STRUCTURE OF  $\alpha$ -DIOXYGENASE PROVIDES INSIGHT INTO DIVERSITY IN  
THE CYCLOOXYGENASE-PEROXIDASE SUPERFAMILY

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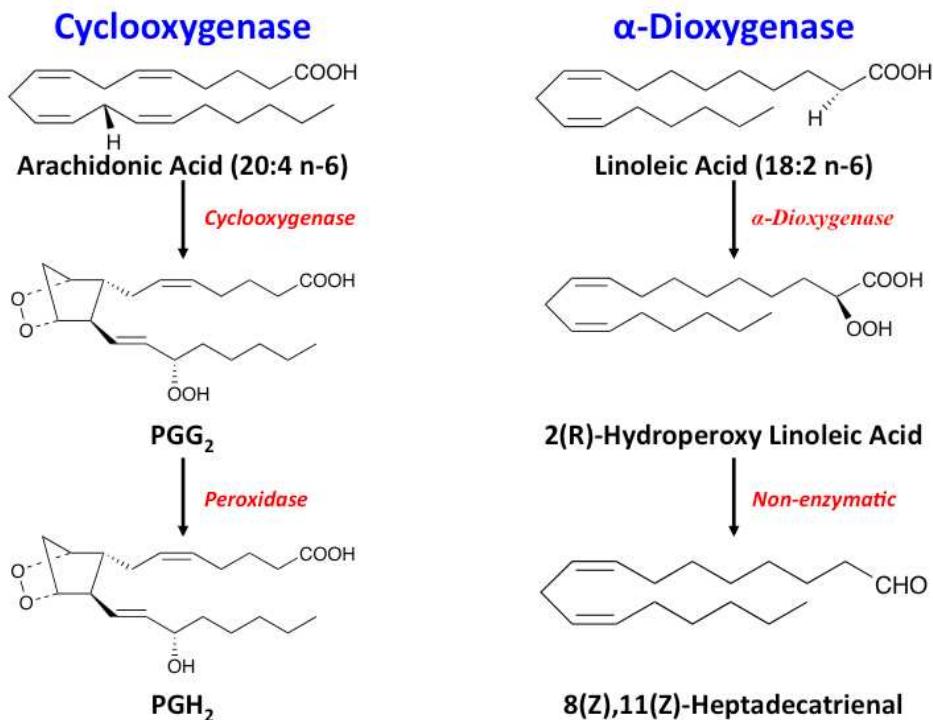
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**SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL**

**Table S1. Primers utilized to generate mutant *Ath*  $\alpha$ DOX constructs.** Only forward primers are listed, with the mutation site highlighted in bold. All primers are listed from 5' to 3'.

Mutant	Forward primer
Q159N	GCAGCGAGCTGGATT <b>A</b> CTTCATGATCCACGAC
Q159S	GCAGCGAGCTGGATT <b>T</b> CTTCATGATCCACGAC
Q159V	GCAGCGAGCTGGATT <b>G</b> TTTCATGATCCACGAC
H318A	GCGCGGTTGTGGCTAAAAT <b>C</b> GCGACTATCGACTGGACTGTCCAGC
H318Q	GCGCGGTTGTGGCTAAAAT <b>C</b> CAGACTATCGACTGGACTGTCCAGC
T323A	CCACACTATCGACTGGG <b>C</b> TGTCCAGCTGCTGAAACC
T323L	CCACACTATCGACTGG <b>C</b> GTGGTCCAGCTGCTGAAACC
Y386F	CGGAGGATT <b>T</b> ACCAGCGTTTCGCATGC <b>A</b> CTCTGCTGCCGG
R565A	CTTCCTGATCATGGCAACC <b>G</b> CGCGTCTGGAAAG <b>G</b> TCATCGTTTC
R565K	CTTCCTGATCATGGCAAC <b>A</b> CGTCTGGAAAG <b>G</b> CTGATCGTTTC
R565L	CTTCCTGATCATGGCAACC <b>C</b> CGTCTGGAAAG <b>G</b> CTGATCGTTTC
R566A	CCTGATCATGGCAAC <b>B</b> CCGCG <b>C</b> GCTGGAAAG <b>G</b> CTGATCG
R566K	CCTGATCATGGCAAC <b>B</b> CCG <b>C</b> CTG <b>C</b> GCTGGAAAG <b>G</b> CTGATCG
R566L	CCTGATCATGGCAAC <b>B</b> CCG <b>C</b> CTG <b>C</b> G <b>C</b> TGGAAAG <b>G</b> CTGATCG

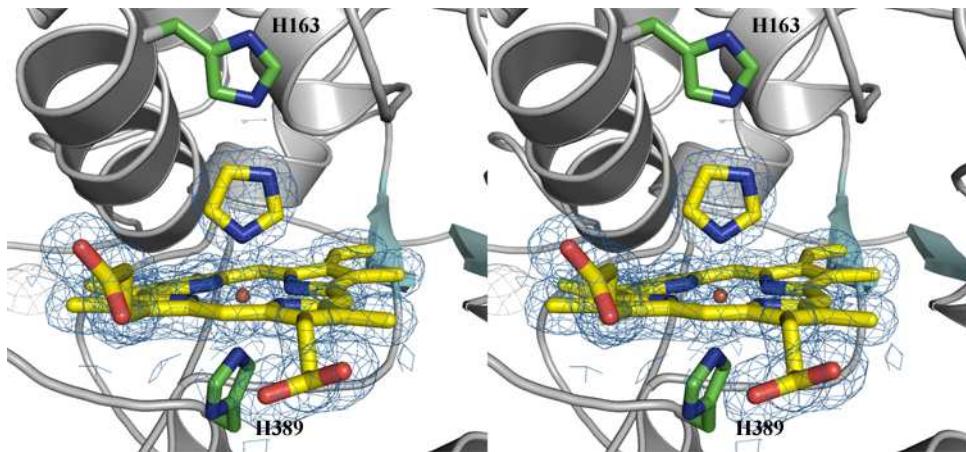
**Figure S1. The Cyclooxygenase and  $\alpha$ -Dioxygenase Reaction Mechanisms.** Schematic representation of the reaction mechanisms carried out by COX and  $\alpha$ -DOX enzymes. The 13pro-S hydrogen of arachidonic acid is abstracted by a radical formed on Tyr-385 in COX, while the 2pro-R hydrogen of linoleic acid is abstracted by a radical formed on Tyr-386 in  $\alpha$ -DOX.



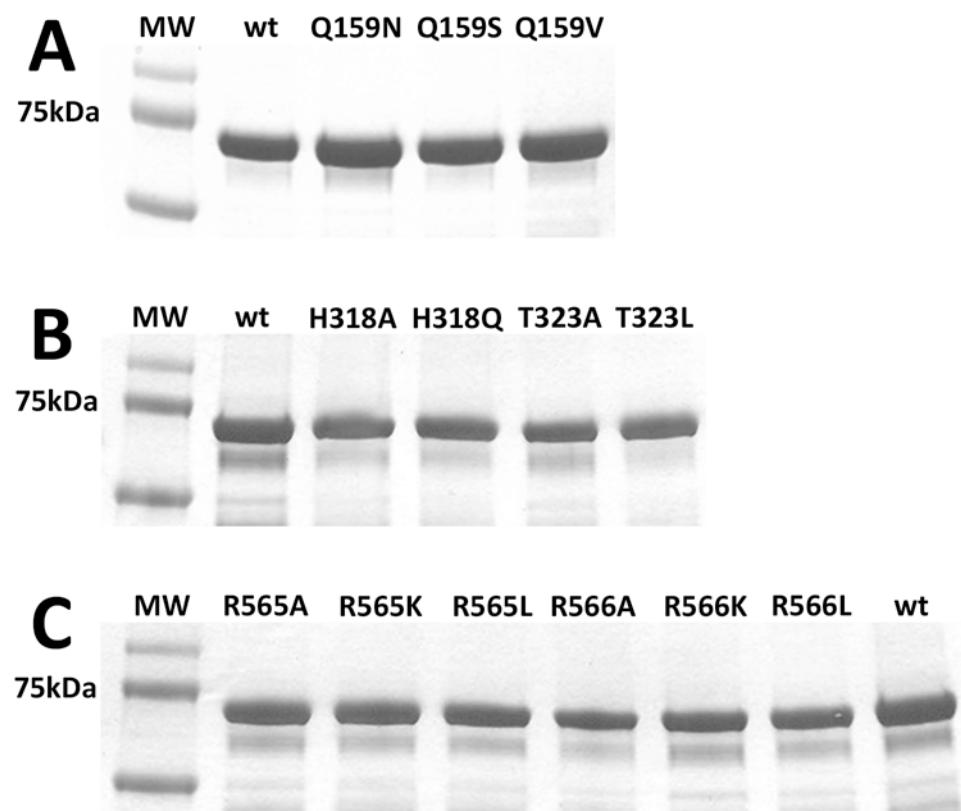
**Figure S2. Secondary Structure Alignment of Ath  $\alpha$ -DOX with murine COX-2.** The amino acid sequence of Ath  $\alpha$ DOX along with the corresponding secondary structure derived from the crystal structure of  $\alpha$ -DOX is shown aligned with the sequence of murine COX-2 and the corresponding secondary structure derived from monomer B of the crystal structure of PDB 3HS5 (1). Boxes depict secondary structural elements in each structure, while dots (.) represent regions with no secondary structure and dashes (-) represent gaps in the alignment. The secondary structural elements that are equivalent between  $\alpha$ -DOX and COX-2 are colored in red and labeled as defined in Ref. (2). Secondary structural elements that are unique to  $\alpha$ -DOX or COX-2 are colored light blue and green, respectively. The numbers above the sequence of COX-2 correspond to residue numbering for ovine COX-1, which is standard in the cyclooxygenase field, whereas the numbers below the sequence of  $\alpha$ -DOX correspond to residue numbering from the *A. thaliana* protein sequence. The proximal and distal histidine residues, the catalytic tyrosine, and residues mutated within this study are shown in bold. h, helix; s, strand.



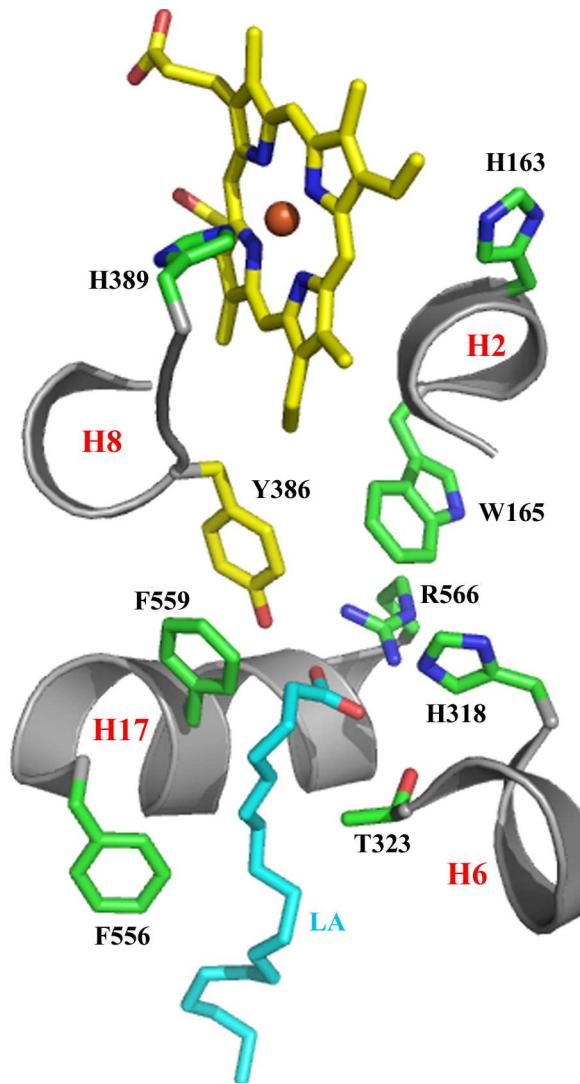
**Figure S3. Imidazole Bound to the Heme.** Stereo view of the distal face of the heme with imidazole bound to the iron atom.  $2F_O - F_C$  electron density covering imidazole and the heme, contoured at  $1\sigma$ , is shown in blue. The proximal (His-389) and distal (His-163) histidines are labeled accordingly.



**Figure S4. Purity of Wild Type and Mutant Constructs of Ath  $\alpha$ -DOX.** SDS-PAGE analysis of wild type and mutant constructs of (A) Gln-159; (B) His-318 and Thr-323; and (C) Arg-565 and Arg-566.



**Figure S5. Model of LA Bound Within the Active Site Channel of  $\alpha$ -DOX.** Linoleic acid (LA; 18:2  $\omega$ -6) is depicted in stick representation (light blue) bound between helices H6 and H17 in the active site channel of  $\alpha$ -DOX. Carbon-2 of LA lies ~2.8Å below the catalytic tyrosine, Tyr-386, which is poised for abstraction of the *2proR* hydrogen. The carboxylate of LA is positioned to interact with the side chains of His-318, Thr-323, and Arg-566. Portions of helices H2, H6, H8, and H17 were removed for clarity.



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