Supporting information

Biosynthesis of 2-methylisoborneol in cyanobacteria

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Figure S1. (A) GC-MS TIC of pentane extract from the incubation of 2-Me-GPP (2) (60  $\mu$ M) with MIBS. (B) Mass spectrum of MIB (3) produced from MIBS incubation.



Figure S2. (A) GC-MS TIC of pentane extract from the coupled incubation of GPP (1) (60  $\mu$ M) and SAM (120  $\mu$ M) with GPPMT and MIBS. (B) Mass spectrum of MIB (3) produced from coupled GPPMT and MIBS incubation.







Figure S4. (A) GC-MS TIC of pentane extract from the incubation of GPP (**1**) (60  $\mu$ M) and SAM (120  $\mu$ M) with GPPMT (10  $\mu$ M), followed by incubation with phosphatases. (B) Mass spectrum of E-2-methylgeraniol (**4**) produced from GPPMT and phosphatase incubation.



2-methylgeraniol (4) standard.



Figure S6. Plot of the reaction velocity for the MIBS-catalyzed formation of MIB (**3**) as a function of the concentration of 2-Me-GPP (**2**) at sub-saturating concentrations of **2**.

Sequence (5' – 3') PCR primer Assay target Expected combinations product size GPPF1 GCGCAGTGAATATCAG GPPMT and MIBS gene 2057 bp MIBR1 TATGCCATTCAAATGC order MIBS and GPPMT gene MIBF1 TGGATAATACGAGTACCAC 2078 bp GPPR1 GTCAGCAACGATGAGC order MIBF2 ATGAAAGATACCAACTTGGATAATA MIBS 1194 bp MIBR2 TTAGGCTAGTGATTGTGAATCTGGC GPPF2 GCGCAGTGAATATC GPPMT 832 bp GPPR2 TTACCGAATGATGCGGTCAGCAACG Rossmann fold on PSANROS1F ATGGCGGTTCTGGTCG 1118 bp PSANDDR1 CTGTCGTCAGCATAGTAGTCATCAG GPPMT and DDxxx(D/E) Mg<sup>2+</sup> binding domain on MIBS PSANROS1F ATGGCGGTTCTGGTCG Rossmann fold on 1555 bp PSANNSER1 GGCAACCGAAAGGAGA GPPMT and NSE triad Mg<sup>2+</sup> binding domain on MIBS PSAN562F AACGATGTTACGGGAGG Spanning region 704 bp ATCAAACCCGCATTCC PSAN1140R between GPPMT and MIBS

Table S1. PCR primers and combination PCRs used throughout this study

Table S2. Sequence comparison of *P. limnetica* (Castaic Lake, GenBank Accession HQ630883) MIBS with bacterial orthologs

Organism name	GenBank	aa	Identity	Positive matches
	Accesion Number		(%)	(%)
Streptomyces sp. AA4	ZP_05479642	370	58	70
Catenulispora acidiphila	YP_003115314	393	53	68
DSM 44928				
Nocardiopsis dassonvillei	ZP_04336204	442	41	56
subsp. <i>dassonvillei</i> DSM				
43111				
Micromonospora sp. ATCC	ZP_04609212	392	35	49
39149				
Stackebrandtia	YP_003510780	373	37	49
nassauensis DSM 44728				

Table S3. Sequence comparison of *P. limnetica* (Castaic Lake, GenBank Accession HQ630882) GPPMT with bacterial orthologs

Organism name	GenBank	аа	Identity	Positive matches
	Accesion Number		(%)	(%)
Micromonospora sp. ATCC	ZP_04609213	289	73	84
39149				
Nocardiopsis dassonvillei	ZP_04336205	286	72	84
subsp. <i>dassonvillei</i> DSM				
43111				
Saccharopolyspora	YP_001105918	442	67	78
erythraea NRRL 2338				
Streptomyces sp. AA4	ZP_05479643	283	67	78
Stackebrandtia	YP_003510779	282	64	80
nassauensis DSM 44728				
Catenulispora acidiphila	YP_003115315	282	64	80
DSM 44928				

Table S4. Sequence comparison of *P. limnetica* (Castaic Lake, GenBank Accession HQ630884) nucleotide binding protein with bacterial orthologs

Organism name	GenBank	аа	Identity	Positive matches
	Accesion Number		(%)	(%)
Streptomyces avermitilis	NP_824183	468	60	78
Saccharopolyspora	YP_001106174	466	60	76
erythraea NRRL 2338				
Saccharopolyspora	YP_001107099	466	60	77
erythraea NRRL 2338				
Frankia alni ACN14a	YP_716635	475	60	75
Streptomyces coelicolor	NP_629395	468	58	76
A3(2				
Frankia sp. Ccl3	YP_483305	467	60	77
Streptomyces griseus	BAB20506	470	58	75

Table S5. Sequence comparison of *O. limosa* and *P. limnetica* (Lake Biwa) MIB synthases (GenBank Accession numbers HQ630885 and HQ630887 respectively) with closest related bacterial orthologs

Organism name	GenBank	аа	Identity	Positive matches
	Accesion Number		(%)	(%)
Streptomyces sp. AA4	ZP_05479642	370	61	71
Catenulispora acidiphila	YP_003115314	393	54	68
DSM 44928				
Nocardiopsis dassonvillei	ZP_04336204	442	42	57
subsp. <i>dassonvillei</i> DSM				
43111				
Micromonospora sp. ATCC	ZP_04609212	392	36	53
39149				
Stackebrandtia	YP_003510780	373	37	50
nassauensis DSM 44728				

Table S6. Sequence comparison of of *O. limosa* and *P. limnetica* (Lake Biwa) GPPMTs (GenBank Accession numbers HQ630886 and HQ630888 respectively) with closest related bacterial orthologs.

Organism name	Genebank	aa	Identity	Positive matches
	Accesion Number		(%)	(%)
Micromonospora sp. ATCC	ZP_04609213	289	74	84
39149				
Nocardiopsis dassonvillei	ZP_04336205	286	72	84
subsp. <i>dassonvillei</i> DSM				
43111				
Stackebrandtia	YP_003510779	282	68	81
nassauensis DSM 44728				
Streptomyces sp. AA4	ZP_05479643	283	66	77
Saccharopolyspora	YP_001105918	442	65	76
erythraea NRRL 2338				
Catenulispora acidiphila	YP_003115315	282	62	77
DSM 44928				

Table S7. Sequence comparison of *P. limnetica* MIBS (Castaic Lake, GenBank Accession HQ630883) with MIB synthases cloned in this study, and closest bacterial ortholog.

Organism name	Genebank	aa	Identity	Positive matches
	Accesion Number		(%)	(%)
Streptomyces sp. AA4	ZP_05479642	370	60	71
P. limnetica (Lake Biwa)	HQ630887	379	97	98
O. limosa	HQ630885	359	94	95

Table S8. Sequence comparison *P. limnetica* GPPMT (Castaic Lake, GenBank Accession HQ630882) with GPPMTs cloned in this study, and closest bacterial ortholog.

Organism name	Genebank	аа	Identity	Positive matches
	Accesion Number		(%)	(%)
Micromonospora sp. ATCC	ZP_04609213	289	74	84
39149				
P. limnetica (Lake Biwa)	HQ630888	257	96	99
O. limosa	HQ630886	257	96	99