

Supplementary Material

for

**HOW MUTATIONAL EPISTASIS IMPAIRS PREDICTABILITY IN PROTEIN EVOLUTION AND
DESIGN**

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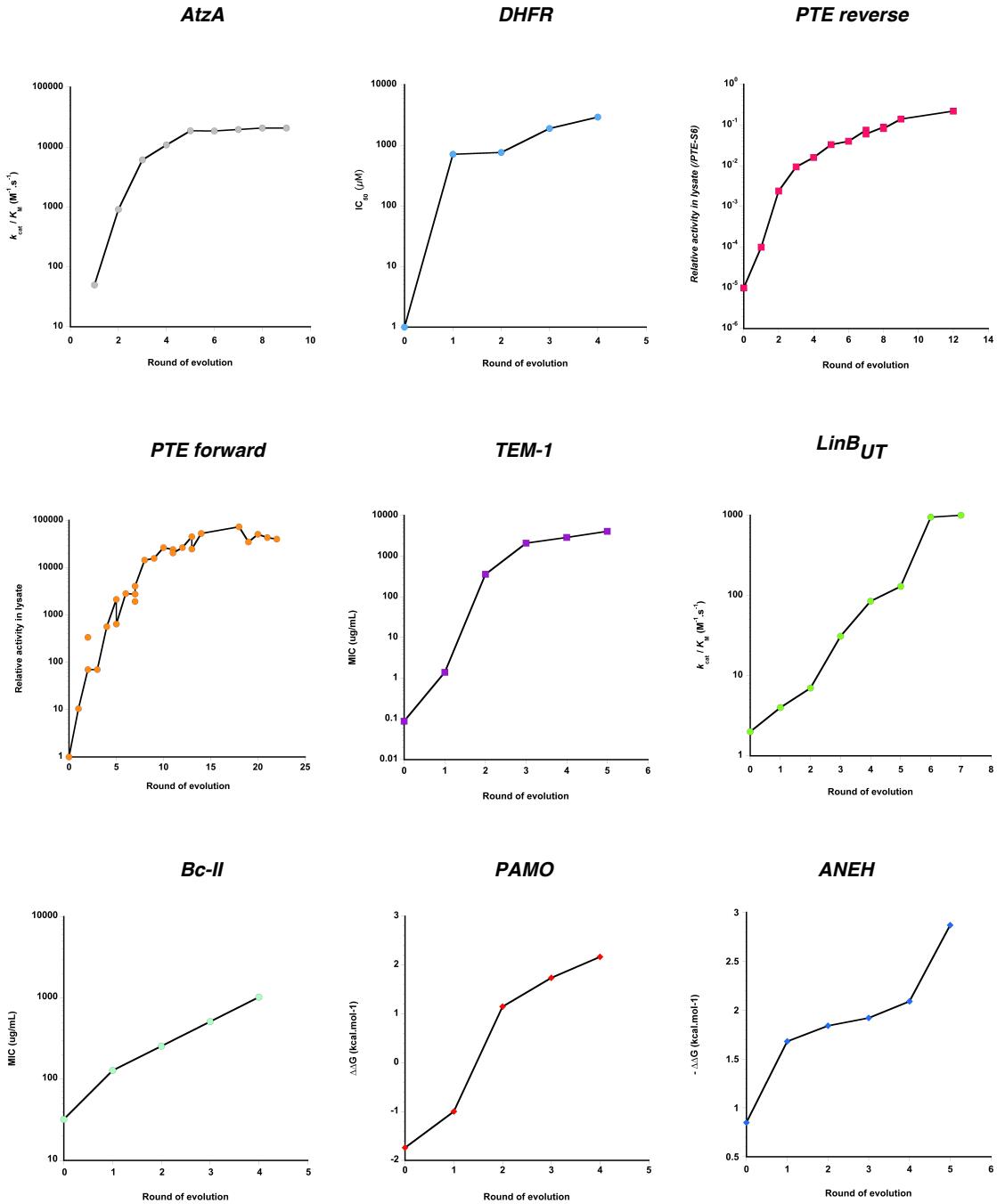


Figure S1. Nine evolutionary trajectories toward new function. Five trajectories are constrained by diminishing returns, *i.e.* the first steps yield large improvements that vanished toward the end of the evolution: AtzA, DHFR, PTE-rev, PTE-for and TEM-1. By contrast, LinB_{UT}, Bc-II, PAMO and ANEH display more linear trajectories, suggesting that some evolutionary potential may still exist.

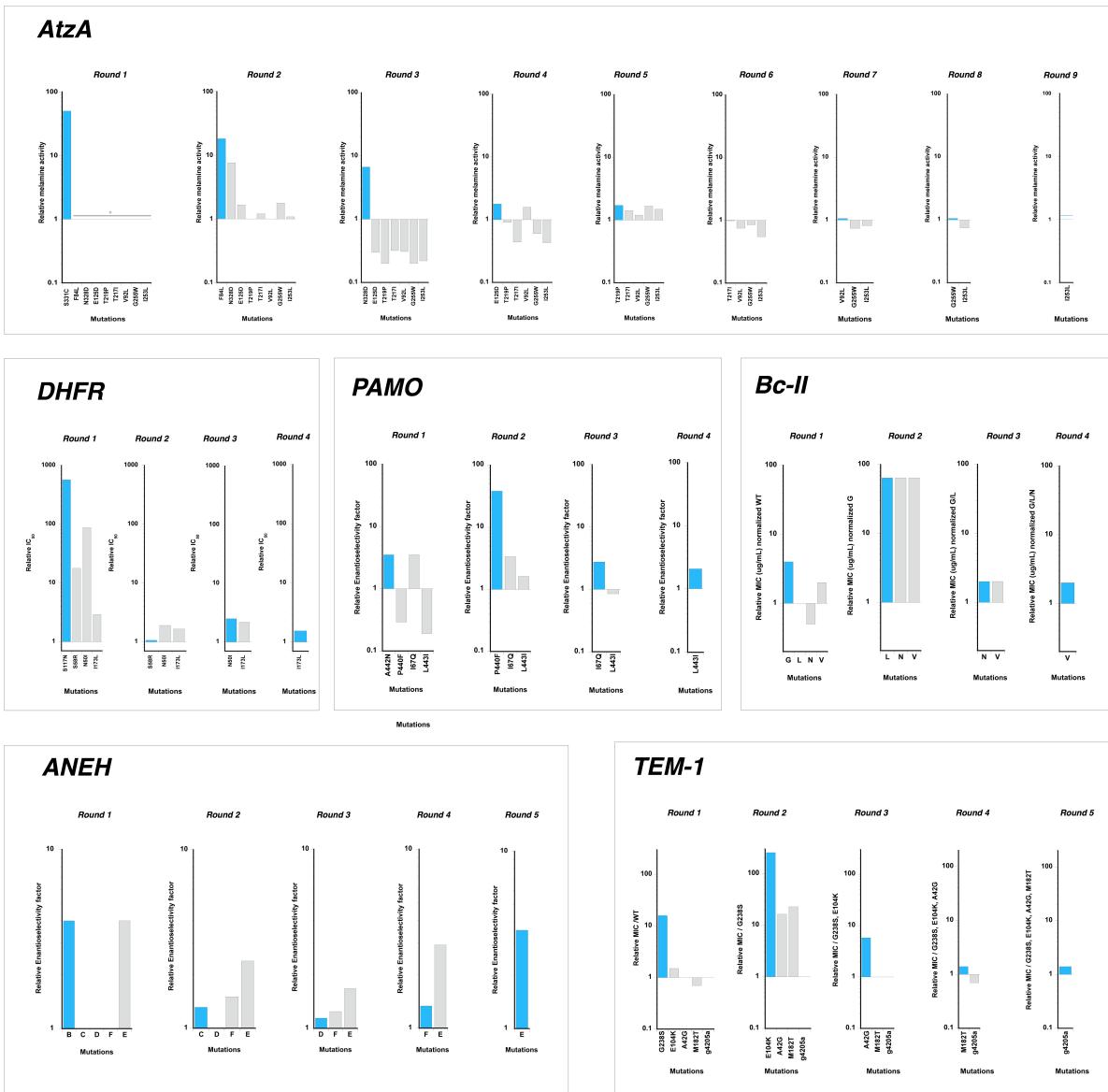


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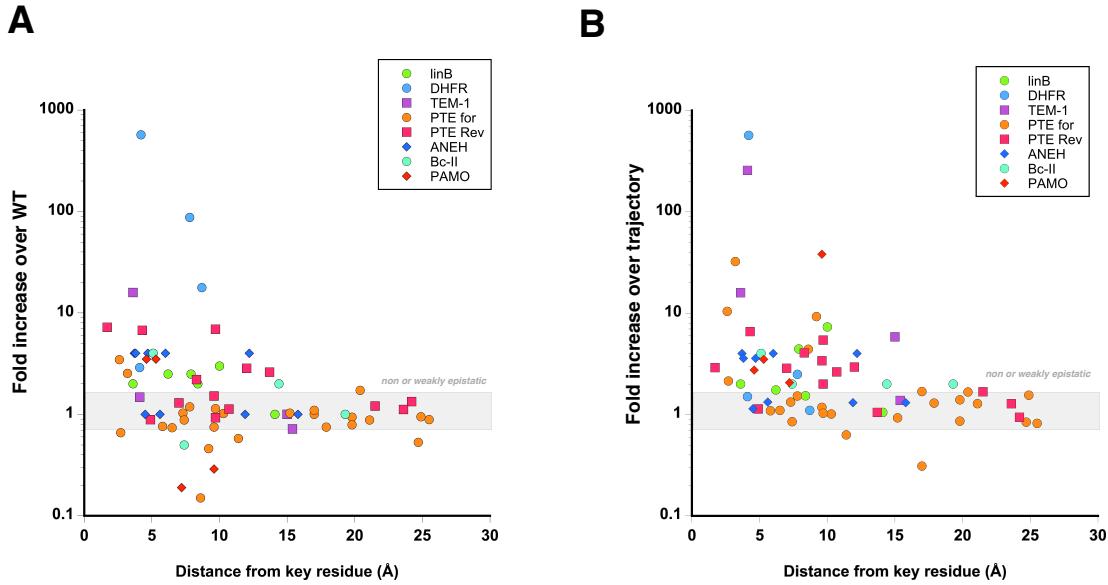


Figure S3. Localization of epistatic mutations on the protein crystal structures. Mutational effect *versus* distance between each mutation and a key active site residue on (A) the wild-type background, and (B) as it occurs in the trajectory. Distances are measured in angstroms (\AA). The grey rectangle defines mutations for which the epistasis effects falls between 0.7 and 1.5-fold change, *i.e.* non-functional or non-epistatic mutations.

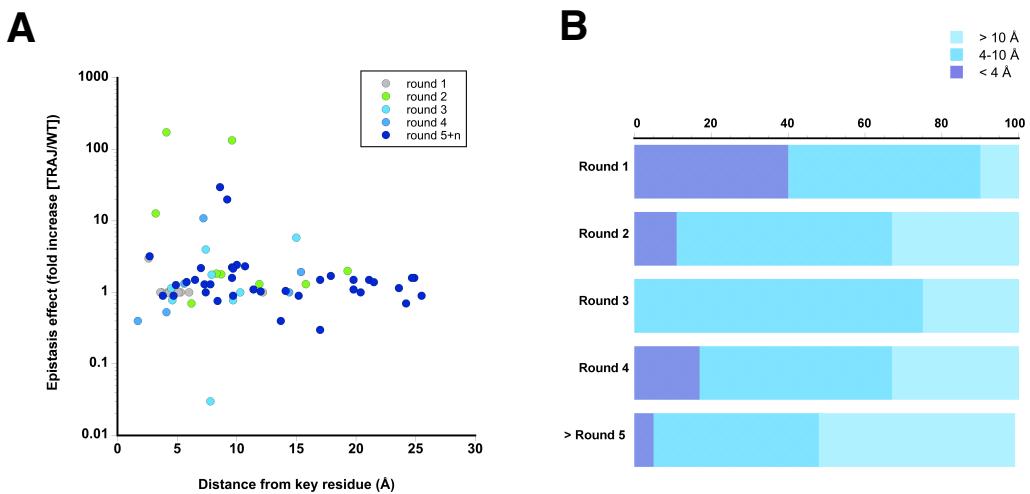


Figure S4. Evolution of mutational distribution, round-per-round. (A) Epistasis effect of each mutation *versus* distance from a key catalytic residue colored by round of appearance in the evolutionary trajectory (from round 1, to 5 and more, grey to dark blue). (B) Percentage of mutations localized within less than 4 \AA (dark blue), between 4-10 \AA (marine blue) and over 10 \AA (light blue) at each round of evolution for 59 mutations across nine trajectories.

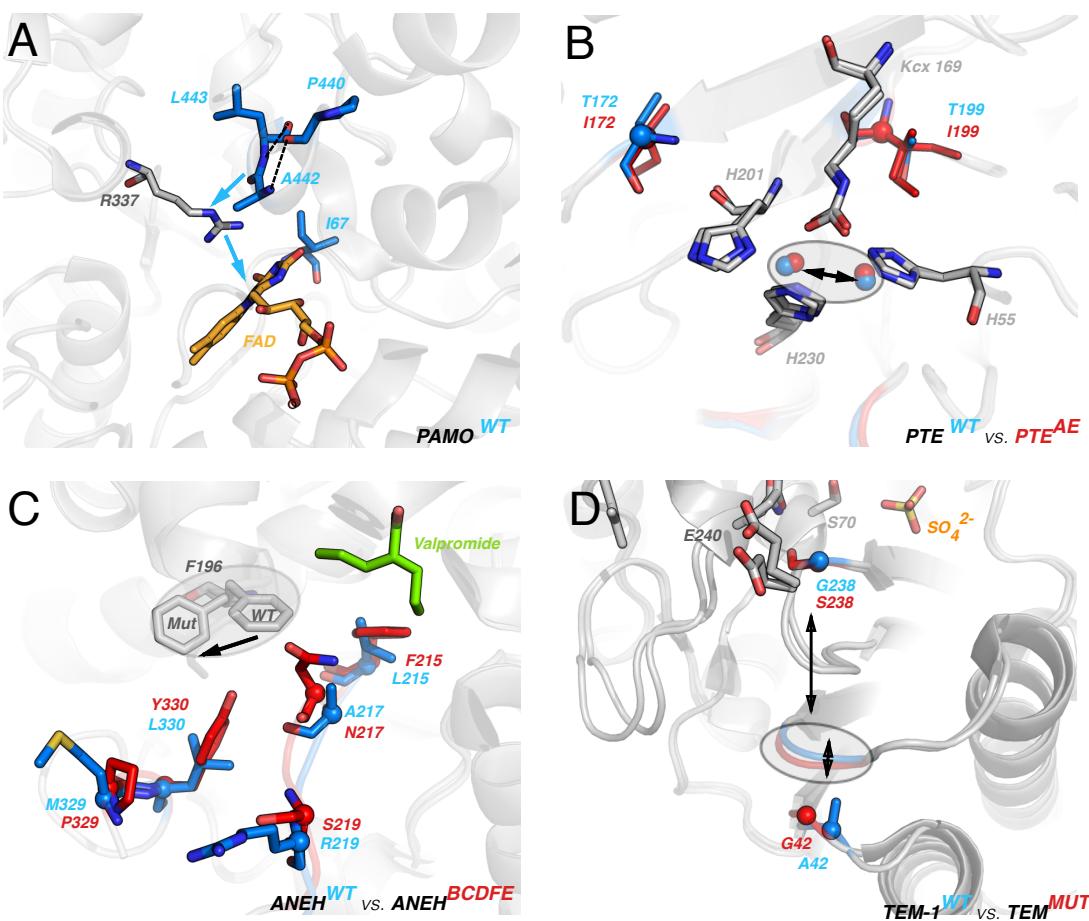


Figure S5. Further examples of direct and indirect interactions causing epistasis. (A) In PAMO^{WT}, the proximity of mutations P440F, A442N and L443I suggest that they interact (blue arrows) with each other (through hydrogen bonding interactions, dotted black lines). Yet these mutations may not directly interact with the substrate or the FAD cofactor (orange sticks), rather they appear to contribute to a functional change *via* repositioning of R337¹. (B) Similar to Bc-II evolution, PTE^{AE} (evolved mutant) exhibits a shift in distance between two metal ions that seems to result from an epistatic change in dynamics, acted upon by T199I and T172I. (C) Indirect interactions may cause epistasis between clusters B and C in ANEH, *via* a shift of active site residues such as F196 (grey sticks) between ANEH^{WT} and ANEH^{BCDFE}. (D) Long-range effects in TEM-1 between mutations A42G and G238S may propagate through a change in loop 266-271 conformation.

B. Supplementary tables

Table S1. Summary of the mutational effects and distances for each evolutionary trajectory.

AtzA				
Round of appearance	Mutation	k_{cat}/K_M (M $^{-1} \cdot s^{-1}$) ^a	WT	TRAJECTORY
			Fold increase over WT ^{a,b}	Fold increase over previous round ^{a,b}
AtzA ^{WT}		n.d.	1.00	1.00
1	S331C	50	> 50	> 50
2	F84L	910	n.d.	18.2
3	N328D	6100	n.d.	6.7
4	E125D	10898	n.d.	1.8
5	T219P	18701	n.d.	1.7
6	T217I	18604	n.d.	1.0
7	V92L	19700	n.d.	1.1
8	G255W	20760	n.d.	1.1
TriA ^{WT}	I253L	20810	n.d.	1.0
Additive model (null)		> 50		
Obs. fold change final mut (TriA)/WT (AtzA)		> 20810		

^a The hydrolysis of melamine is not detectable in AtzA^{WT} nor in any variants besides AtzA^{S331C}.

^b The fitness is the Michaelis parameter k_{cat}/K_M (M $^{-1} \cdot s^{-1}$).

P. vivax DHFR				
Round of appearance	Mutation	IC_{50} (μM) ^a	WT	TRAJECTORY
			Fold increase over WT ^{a,b}	Fold increase over previous round ^a
DHFR ^{WT}		1.2	1.00	1.00
1	S117N	712	570.5	570.5
2	S58R	761	17.8	1.1
3	N50I	1899	87.4	2.5
4	I173L	2926	2.9	1.5
Additive model (null)		2572294		
Obs. fold change final mut/WT		2343		

^a IC_{50} measured in *S. cerevisiae*.

^b Distance between mutated residues and the pyrimethamine ligand on the WT structure (pdb: 2b9j).

S. japonicum UT26 Lin _{BUT}				
Round of appearance	Mutation	k_{cat}/K_M (M $^{-1} \cdot s^{-1}$) ^a	WT	TRAJECTORY
			Fold increase over WT ^{a,b}	Fold increase over previous round ^a
Lin _{BUT} ^{WT}		2	1.00	1.00
1	A247H	4	2	2.00
2	I134V	7	2.5	1.75
3	I138L	31	2.5	4.43
4	A112V	85	n.d.	2.74
5	M253I	130	2	1.53
6	A135T	950	3	7.31
Lin _{BMI} ^{WT}	A81T	1000	1	1.05
Additive model (null)		75		
Obs. fold change final mut/WT		500		

^a The fitness is the Michaelis parameter k_{cat}/K_M (M $^{-1} \cdot s^{-1}$) of the second step of the reaction PCHL->TDCL.

^b Distance between mutated residues and the 1,2-dichloropropane ligand on the WT structure (pdb: 2bfn).

B. diminuta PTE S6 variant (forward trajectory-2NH)

Round of appearance	Variant	Mutation	WT		TRAJECTORY		Epistasis effect		2NH		
			lysate activity relative to PTE ^{WT,a}		Fold increase over PTE ^{WT,b}		Distance between mut AA and key residue ^c		Calculation for Trajectory ^d		
			Fold increase over parent enzyme ^e	Ratio Traj/WT	Fold increase over parent enzyme ^e	Ratio Traj/WT	AA	AA	AA	lysate activity relative to PTE ^{WT}	
0	PTE ^{WT}	H254R	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	-	-	R18+V49A	56822	
1	R1	R2a	10.42	3.47	10.42	3.0	2.6	R1 / PTE ^{WT}	R8 +I128M	47156	
2	R2b	D233E	70	-	-	-	-	-	R8 +T199I	1563	
2	R3	I274S	337	2.54	32.31	12.7	3.2	R2b / R1	R14 +S131F	25024	
3	R4	-	70	1.02	1.01	1.0	10.3	R3 / R2a	R18 +E77K	52038	
4	R4	T172I	564	-	-	-	-	-	R18 +M140L	43569	
5	R5a	S269T	2137	0.15	4.41	29.6	8.6	R6 / R5b	R18 +F313I	48012	
5	R5b	-	642	1.03	1.33	1.3	7.3	R6 / R5a	R20 +A45T	32699	
6	R6	-	2835	-	-	-	-	-	R20 +V137S	59273	
7	R7a	M138I	2752	1.00	0.31	0.3	17	R8 / R8+H138m	R20 +V144E	60205	
7	R7b	-	4065	-	-	-	-	-	R20 +T314M	49256	
7	R7c	T199I	1924	0.46	9.25	20.0	9.2	R8 / R8+H199t	R20 +T341I	62199	
8	R8	-	14462	-	-	-	-	-	R20*	29888	
9	R9	L272M	15707	0.76	1.09	1.4	5.8	R9 / R8	R20 +H180Q	47132	
10	R10	A80V	26569	1.10	1.69	1.5	17	R10 / R9	R20 + H180Q was measured in a separate experiment and normalized by R20* re-assayed in the same conditions		
11	R11a	S111R	24245	0.75	1.30	1.7	17.9	R12 / R11b	R12 / R11a	-	
11	R11b	A204G	20516	0.74	1.10	1.5	6.5	R12 / R11a	R14 / R13b	-	
12	R12	-	26594	-	-	-	-	-	R14 / R13a	-	
13	R13a	L271F	44983	0.66	2.14	3.2	2.7	R18 / R18+V29a	R18 / R18+V29a	-	
13	R13b	L130V	24812	0.75	1.18	1.6	9.6	R18 / R18+V29a	R18 / R18+V29a	-	
14	R14	-	53031	-	-	-	-	-	R18 / R18+V29a	R18 / R18+V29a	
14	R14	A49V	-	0.88	1.28	1.5	21.1	R18 / R18+V29a	R18 / R18+V29a	-	
15	R15	K77E	72912	0.94	1.40	1.5	19.8	R18 / R18+V29a	R18 / R18+V29a	-	
15	R15	L140M	1.73	1.67	1.0	20.4	R18 / R18+V29a	R18 / R18+V29a	-		
15	R15	I313F	1.19	1.52	1.3	7.8	R18 / R18+V29a	R18 / R18+V29a	-		
16	R16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	R20 / R20+T137S	-	
17	R17	S137T	35019	0.79	0.86	1.1	19.8	R20 / R20+T137S	R20 / R20+T137S	-	
18	R18	Q189H	-	0.58	0.63	1.1	11.4	R20 / R20+H180Q	R20 / R20+H180Q	-	
19	R19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	R20 / R20+V144E	-	
20	R20	T45A	0.95	1.55	1.6	24.9	R20 / R20+A45T	R20 / R20+V144E	-		
20	R20	E144V	0.53	0.84	1.6	24.7	R20 / R20+V144E	R20 / R20+T314m	-		
20	R20	M214T	1.14	1.03	0.9	9.7	R20 / R20+T314m	R20 / R20+T341i	-		
21	R21	I341T	0.89	0.82	0.9	25.5	R21 / R20	R21 / R20	-		
21	R21	S102T	43382	0.88	1.0	7.4	R21 / R20	R21 / R20	-		
22	R22	V176W	40322	1.03	0.93	0.9	15.2	PTE ^E / R21	PTE ^E / R21	-	
Additive model (null)			0.0521		0.0522						
Obs. fold change final mut/WT			40322		40322						

^a The fitness is the catalytic activity in crude lysate relative to PTE^{WT}.

^b Value obtained experimentally by constructing the single mutation on PTE^{WT} background.

^c Value calculated from experimental data in table A and B, with the equations provided in the last column, see note^d.

^d Equations used to calculate the fold increase over the parent enzyme in the previous column, see note^c.

^e Distance between mutated residues on PTE^{WT} (PTE56.pdb; 4pcp) and the overlaid 2-naphthyl neocinate (2NH) analogue ligand from [path: 4E3T].

B. diminuta PTE AE variant (Reverse trajectory-paradoxon)

Round of appearance	Variant	Mutation	WT	TRAJECTORY			Epistasis effect	Distance between mut AA and key residue ^e	Calculation for Trajectory ^d
				Lysate activity relative to PTE ^{AE} ^a	Fold increase over PTE ^{AE} ^b	Fold increase over parent enzyme ^c			
0	PTE ^{AE}		1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	-	-
1	revR1	S308C	6.62	6.74	6.60	0.98	4.3	PTE ^{AE} -s308C / PTE ^{AE} *	1
1	revR1	-	10	-	-	-	-	revR3-M130V	223
2	revR2	I172T	312	2.21	4.06	1.84	8.3	revR3 / revR3-1172I	167
2	revR2	V130M	6.92	5.42	0.78	9.7	revR3 / revR3-M130V	399	
2	revR3	F271L	905	7.23	2.90	0.40	9.7	revR6-K293m	1291
3	revR4	T314W	1.52	3.40	2.24	2.24	9.6	revR9-D174g	3875
4	revR4	P135S	1357	2.61	1.05	0.40	13.7	revR9-q180H	6984
4	revR5	A203E	4572	1.30	2.86	2.19	7	revR4 / revR3-1324M	6262
5	revR6	M293K	3660	1.34	0.94	0.70	24.2	revR6-K293m / revR4	9218
6	revR7a	G174D	9823	1.13	2.64	2.33	10.7	revR6 / revR6-K293m	17560
7	revR7b	H180Q	7170	2.85	2.94	1.03	12	revR9 / revR9-D174g	14393
7	revR8a	-	13780	-	-	-	-	revR9 / revR9-q180H	
8	revR8b	S258N	9561	0.93	2.00	2.15	9.7	revR9 / revR9-N258S	
8	revR9	Y156H	18414	1.12	1.28	1.15	23.6	revR9 / revR9-H156Y	
9	neoPTE	I306M	1306	0.89	1.14	1.27	4.9	neoPTE / neoPTE+M306I	
12	neoPTE	v49A	19968	1.21	1.68	1.39	21.5	neoPTE [*] / neoPTE-a99V	
				18653	1968				

Obs. fold change final mut/WT

Additive model (null)

1968

18653

^aThe fitness is the catalytic activity in crude lysate relative to PTE^{AE}.

^bValue obtained experimentally by constructing the single mutation on PTE^{AE} background, extracted from reference³⁸.

^cValue calculated from experimental data in Table A,B and C with the equations provided in the last column, see note^d.

^dEquations used to calculate the fold increase over the parent enzyme in the previous column, see note^c.

^eDistance between mutated residues on PTE^{AE} (PTE-R22, pdb: 2pcn) and the overlaid paradoxon analogue ligated taken from pdb: 2z1o.

Round of appearance	Variant	Paradoxon	
		Lysate activity relative to PTE ^{AE} ^a	Variant
0	PTE ^{AE}	PTE ^{AE}	PTE ^{AE}
1	revR3-t172I	revR3-M130V	revR3-t172I
2	revR3-p135S	revR3-t134m	revR3-p135S
3	revR6-K293m	revR6-K293m	revR6-K293m
4	revR9-D174g	revR9-q180H	revR9-D174g
5	revR9-N258S	revR9-H156Y	revR9-N258S
6	neoPTE+M306I	neoPTE-a99V	neoPTE+M306I
7	revR9 / revR9-D174g	revR9 / revR9-q180H	revR9 / revR9-D174g
8	revR9 / revR9-N258S	-	revR9 / revR9-N258S
9	revR9 / revR9-H156Y	-	revR9 / revR9-H156Y
10	neoPTE / neoPTE+M306I	neoPTE [*] / neoPTE-a99V	neoPTE / neoPTE+M306I
11	neoPTE [*] / neoPTE-a99V	-	neoPTE [*] / neoPTE-a99V

C Paradoxon

Paradoxon

T. fusca PAMO								
Round of appearance	Mutation	E-Value (E _{R/S})	WT		TRAJECTORY		Epistasis effect	Distance between mut AA and key residue ^c
			Fold increase over WT ^a	Fold increase over previous round ^a	Ratio Traj/WT ^b			
PAMO ^{WT}		0.05	1.00	1.00	1.00			-
1	A442N	0.18	3.51	3.51	1.00		5.3	
2	P440F	6.98	0.29	38.24	134.13		9.6	
3	I67Q	19.21	3.51	2.75	0.78		4.6	
4 (ZGZ-2)	L443I	39.82	0.19	2.07	10.90		7.2	
Additive model (null)			0.67					
Obs. fold change final mut/WT			765					

^a The original fitness, $\Delta G_{R/S}$ (kcal/mol) was converted to the enantioselectivity factor E_{R/S} with Equation (1) and (2), see Material and Methods.

^b The ratio is the enantioselectivity factors provided by each mutation as it occurs in the trajectory (E_{TRAJ}) over the effect on the WT background (E_{WT}), E_{TRAJ}/E_{WT}, as described in reference ⁴¹.

^c Distance between mutated residue and R337 in the WT structure (pdb: 2ylr).

A. niger ANEH								
Round of appearance	Mutation	E-Value (E _{S/R})	WT		TRAJECTORY		Epistasis effect	Distance between mut AA and key residue ^c
			Fold increase over WT ^{a,b}	Fold increase over previous round ^a	Ratio Traj/WT ^b			
ANEH ^{WT}		4.00	1	1	1			-
B	L215F A217N R219S	16	4.00	4.00	1.00		3.7 6 12.2	
C	M329P L330Y	21	1.00	1.31	1.31		15.8 11.9	
D	C350V	24	1.00	1.14	1.14		4.5	
F	L249Y	32	1.00	1.33	1.33		5.6	
E	T317W T318V	115	4.00	3.59	0.90		3.8 4.7	
Additive model (null)			16					
Obs. fold change final mut/WT			29					

^a The original fitness, $\Delta G_{R/S}$ (kcal/mol) was converted to the enantioselectivity factor E_{R/S} with Equation (1) and (2), see Material and Methods.

^b The ratio is the enantioselectivity factors provided by each mutation as it occurs in the trajectory (E_{TRAJ}) over the effect on the WT background (E_{WT}), E_{TRAJ}/E_{WT}, as described in reference ³⁹.

^c Distance between mutated residues and the valpromide inhibitor in the WT structure (pdb: 3g0l).

B. cereus Bc-II								
Round of appearance	Mutation	MIC ($\mu\text{g.ml}^{-1}$)	WT		TRAJECTORY		Epistasis effect	Distance between mut AA and key residue ^b
			Fold increase over WT ^{a,b}	Fold increase over previous round ^a	Ratio Traj/WT			
Bc-II ^{WT}		32	1	1	1			-
1	G262S	128	4	4.0	1.0		5.1	
2	L250S	256	1	2.0	2.0		19.3	
3	N705	512	0.5	2.0	4.0		7.4	
4 (GLNV)	V112A	1024	2	2.0	1.0		14.4	
Additive model (null)			4					
Obs. fold change final mut/WT			32					

^a The fitness is the MIC ($\mu\text{g.ml}^{-1}$).

^b Distance between mutated residues and Zn²⁺ (II) on the WT structure (pdb: 1bc2).

E. coli TEM-1								
Round of appearance	Mutation	MIC ($\mu\text{g.ml}^{-1}$)	WT		TRAJECTORY		Epistasis effect	Distance between mut AA and key residue ^b
			Fold increase over WT ^{a,b}	Fold increase over previous round ^a	Ratio Traj/WT			
TEM-1 ^{WT}		0.088	1	1	1			-
1	G238S	1.4	15.91	15.91	1.00		3.6	
2	E104K	360	1.48	257.14	174.07		4.1	
3	A42G	2100	1.00	5.83	5.83		15	
4	M182T	2900	0.72	1.38	1.93		15.4	
5	g4205a	4100	1.00	1.41	1.41		-	
Additive model (null)			17					
Obs. fold change final mut/WT			46591					

^a The fitness is the MIC ($\mu\text{g.ml}^{-1}$).

^b Distance between mutated residues on the WT structure (pdb: 1bt1) and the overlaid N-(benzyloxycarbonyl)amino)methylphosphate, a transition state analogue from (pdb: 1axb).

Table S2. Summary of round-per-round improvements for nine evolutionary trajectories.

AtzA

Round of evolution	Mutation fixed	Fold increase normalized on n-1 mutations								
		Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5	Round 6	Round 7	Round 8	Round 9
<i>AtzA</i> ^{WT}		n.d.								
1	S331C	50.00	1.00							
2	F84L	n.d.	18.20	1.00						
3	N328D	n.d.	7.60	6.70	1.00					
4	E125D	n.d.	1.66	0.30	1.79	1.00				
5	T219P	n.d.	1.00	0.20	0.91	1.72	1.00			
6	T217I	n.d.	1.20	0.32	0.44	1.42	0.99	1.00		
7	V92L	n.d.	1.00	0.31	1.59	1.20	0.75	1.06	1.00	
8	G255W	n.d.	1.77	0.20	0.60	1.68	0.85	0.74	1.05	1.00
	I253L	n.d.	1.08	0.22	0.43	1.49	0.55	0.81	0.74	1.00

P. vivax DHFR

Round of evolution	Mutation fixed	Fold increase normalized on n-1 mutations			
		Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4
<i>DHFR</i> ^{WT}		1.00			
1	S117N	570.50	1.00		
2	S58R	17.79	1.07	1.00	
3	N50I	87.41	1.91	2.50	1.00
4	I173L	2.90	1.66	2.18	1.54

T. fusca PAMO

Round of evolution	Mutation fixed	Fold increase normalized on n-1 mutations			
		Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4
<i>PAMO</i> ^{WT}		1.00			
1	A442N	3.51	1.00		
2	P440F	0.29	38.24	1.00	
3	I67Q	3.51	3.37	2.75	1.00
4 (ZGZ-2)	L443I	0.19	1.63	0.85	2.07

A. niger ANEH

Round of evolution	Mutation fixed	Fold increase normalized on n-1 mutations				
		Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5
<i>ANEH</i> ^{WT}		1.00				
1	B	4.00	1.00			
2	C	1.00	1.31	1.00		
3	D	1.00	1.00	1.14	1.00	
4	F	1.00	1.50	1.24	1.33	1.00
5 (BCDFE)	E	4.00	2.38	1.67	2.92	3.59

B. cereus Bc-II

Round of evolution	Mutation fixed	Fold increase normalized on n-1 mutations			
		Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4
<i>Bc-II</i> ^{WT}		1.00			
1	G	4.00	1.00		
2	L	1.00	64.00	1.00	
3	N	0.50	64.00	2.00	1.00
4 (GLNV)	V	2.00	64.00	2.00	2.00

E. coli TEM-1

Round of evolution	Mutation fixed	Fold increase normalized on n-1 mutations				
		Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5
<i>TEM-1</i> ^{WT}		1.00				
1	G238S	15.91	1.00			
2	E104K	1.48	257.14	1.00		
3	A42G	1.00	16.43	5.83	1.00	
4	M182T	0.72	22.86	1.00	1.38	1.00
5	g4205a	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.71	1.41

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