

Supporting Information

Biochemical and Structural Basis for Controlling Chemical Modularity in Fungal Polyketide Biosynthesis

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Experimental Procedures

Strains

Chaetomium globosum CBS 148.51 was obtained from The American Type Culture Collection. *Escherichia coli* BL21 (DE3) was used for expressing the standalone SAT domain from CazM. *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* BJ5464-NpgA¹ (*MAT α ura3-52 trp1 leu2- Δ 1 his3 Δ 200 pep4::HIS3 prb1 Δ 1.6R can1 GAL*), which contains a chromosomal copy of the phosphopantetheinyl transferase NpgA,² was used for expressing the NR-PKS CazM, the HR-PKS CazF³ and for the in vivo production of calzaldehyde A (**10**) and B (**12**).

Chemicals and spectral analysis

All solvents and other chemicals used were of analytical grade. NMR spectra were obtained on Bruker 400-MHz (100 MHz for ¹³C) and 500-MHz spectrometers and a Varian VNMR5 500-MHz spectrometer (125 MHz for ¹³C). Mass spectra were recorded on an Agilent 6220 oaTOF and a Shimadzu 2010EV liquid chromatography mass spectrometer.

General Molecular Biology Experiments

PCR reactions were carried out using AccuPrime Pfx DNA polymerase (Invitrogen). Restriction enzymes were purchased from New England Biolabs and used according to the manufacturer's instructions. pCR®-blunt (Invitrogen) was used to construct recombinant DNA products and DNA sequencing was performed by Retrogen and Laragen, California, USA. DNA manipulation using standard techniques⁴ were performed in *E. coli* TOP10 (Invitrogen) and *E. coli* XL1-Blue (Stratagene). RNA extraction was performed using a RiboPure Yeast kit (Ambion) and ImProm-II Reverse Transcription System (Promega) was used to synthesize complementary DNA (cDNA) from total RNA using specific primers.

Construction of SAT and CazM mutants

Site-directed mutagenesis on the active site Cys155 and His277 residues was carried out using a complementary PCR primer method. The wild-type SAT-containing pHis8 vector pJWT-49 was used as template with AccuPrime Pfx (Invitrogen) as the polymerase. Primer pairs SAT_C155A_F and SAT_C155A_R were used for the Cys to Ala mutation, primer pairs SAT_C155S_F and SAT_C155S_R were used for the Cys to Ser mutation, and primer pairs SAT_H277A_F and SAT_H277A_R were used for the His to Ala mutation (Table S1). After a denaturing step of 95 °C for 30 seconds, 14 rounds of 95 °C for 30 seconds, 55 °C for one minute and 68 °C for six minutes was carried out followed by an incubation at 37 °C for two minutes. The reaction was digested with DpnI (New England Biolabs) and transformed into *E. coli* TOP10 chemical competent cells (Invitrogen). After sequence verification, the expression vectors pJWT-59 (Cys155Ala), pJWT-71 (Cys155Ser) and pJWT-75 (His277Ala) were transformed into *E. coli* BL21 (DE3) electrocompetent cells and protein expression and purification was performed as described above for wild-type SAT (Protein yields can be found in Table S2 and SDS-PAGE analysis in Figure S4).

The SAT domain makes up the majority of piece one used for the reconstitution of CazM (1,194 out of the 1,313 bp). Therefore, to introduce the C155A, C155S and H277A mutations independently into intact CazM, the mutant SAT expression vectors pJWT-59, pJWT-71 and pJWT-75 were used as template to amplify the slightly shorter piece one carrying the respective

point mutation. Primer pair CazM_P1_F was used with CazM_MT_R for all constructs (Table S1). Pieces 2–5 were amplified as described previously and the five exons were co-transformed with the 2 μ M URA3 expression plasmid into *S. cerevisiae* BJ5464-NpgA as described previously to yield plasmids pJWT-66 (CazM C155A), pJWT-73 (CazM C155S) and pJWT-80 (CazM H277A). Protein expression and purification was performed as described for wild-type CazM. Protein yields are found in Table S2 and SDS-PAGE analysis in Figure S4.

Cazaldehyde reduction assay

To explain if the conversion of **10** into **12** was enzymatic or spontaneous, a variety of in vitro assays were conducted. The first assay assessed whether the reduction occurred non-enzymatically. In a 100 μ L reaction, 2 mM NADPH was incubated with 0.2 μ M **10** in 100 mM phosphate buffer pH 7.4 at room temperature for 8 hours. After the incubation, the reaction was extracted two times with 200 μ L 99% ethyl acetate:1% acetic acid and the organic layer was dried by speedvac. To identify if the SAT domain mediated the reduction, 25 μ M of the wild-type standalone protein was incubated at room temperature in a 100 μ L reaction containing 0.2 μ M **10**, 2 mM NADPH and 100 mM phosphate buffer pH 7.4. The reaction was incubated for 8 hours and then extracted as described previously. The reducing activity of CazM was evaluated by incubating 25 μ M of protein in a 100 μ L reaction with 2 mM NADPH and 0.2 μ M **10** in 100 mM phosphate buffer pH 7.4. The reaction was incubated at room temperature for 8 hours and then extracted as described above. All extracts were dissolved in 20 μ L MeOH and analyzed on a Shimadzu 2010 EV LC-MS with a Phenomenex Luna 5 μ 2.0 x 100 mM C18 column using positive and negative mode electrospray ionization with a linear gradient of 5–95% MeCN:H₂O over 30 minutes followed by 95% MeCN for 15 minutes and a flow rate of 0.1 mL/min (Figure S17).

Supplementary Table 2. List of enzymes constructed in this work

Enzyme	Plasmid Name	Expression host	Expression Level (mg/L)
CazM	pJWT-37	<i>S. cerevisiae</i> BJ5464-NpgA	2.2 mg/L
CazF 2 μ MTrp	pJWT-41	<i>S. cerevisiae</i> BJ5464-NpgA	8 mg/L
CazM's SAT	pJWT-49	<i>E. coli</i> BL21(DE3)	43 mg/L
SAT C155S	pJWT-71	<i>E. coli</i> BL21(DE3)	53 mg/L
SAT C155A	pJWT-59	<i>E. coli</i> BL21(DE3)	40 mg/L
SAT H277A	pJWT-75	<i>E. coli</i> BL21(DE3)	60 mg/L
CazM C155A	pJWT-66	<i>S. cerevisiae</i> BJ5464-NpgA	Not solubly expressed
CazM C155S	pJWT-73	<i>S. cerevisiae</i> BJ5464-NpgA	<1.0 mg/L
CazM H277A	pJWT-80	<i>S. cerevisiae</i> BJ5464-NpgA	2 mg/L

Supplementary Figure 1. Correct DNA sequence of *cazM* (CHGG_07645–07647, new GenBank accession KP764718). After the gene was reconstituted, sequencing revealed that the original genome contained three extra bases. When these extra bases are removed, the correct DNA sequence of *cazM* does not contain any introns. The three extra bases are capitalized, underlined and highlighted in red

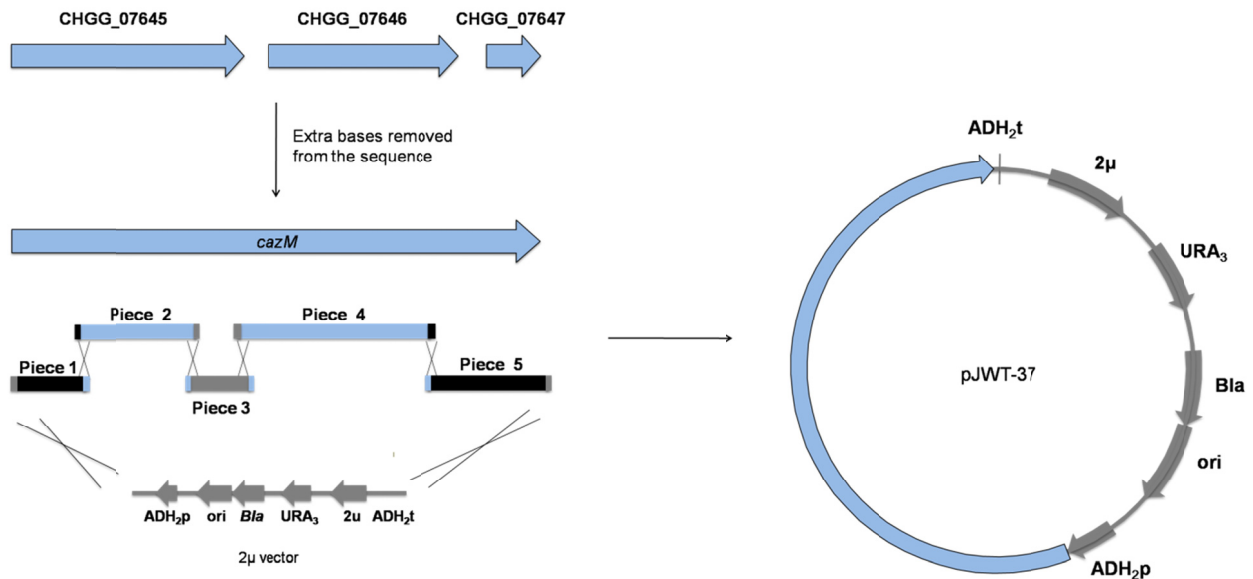
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Supplementary Figure 2. Reconstitution of *CazM* for expression in *S. cerevisiae* BJ5464-NpgA. The 8,238bp intron-free gene was assembled and inserted into the 2 μ URA3 vector by *in vivo* homologous recombination. Overlapping regions between two flanking segments of *CazM* ranged from 122-382 bp and overlapping regions between piece 1 and piece 5 with the 2 μ vector were 35 bp.

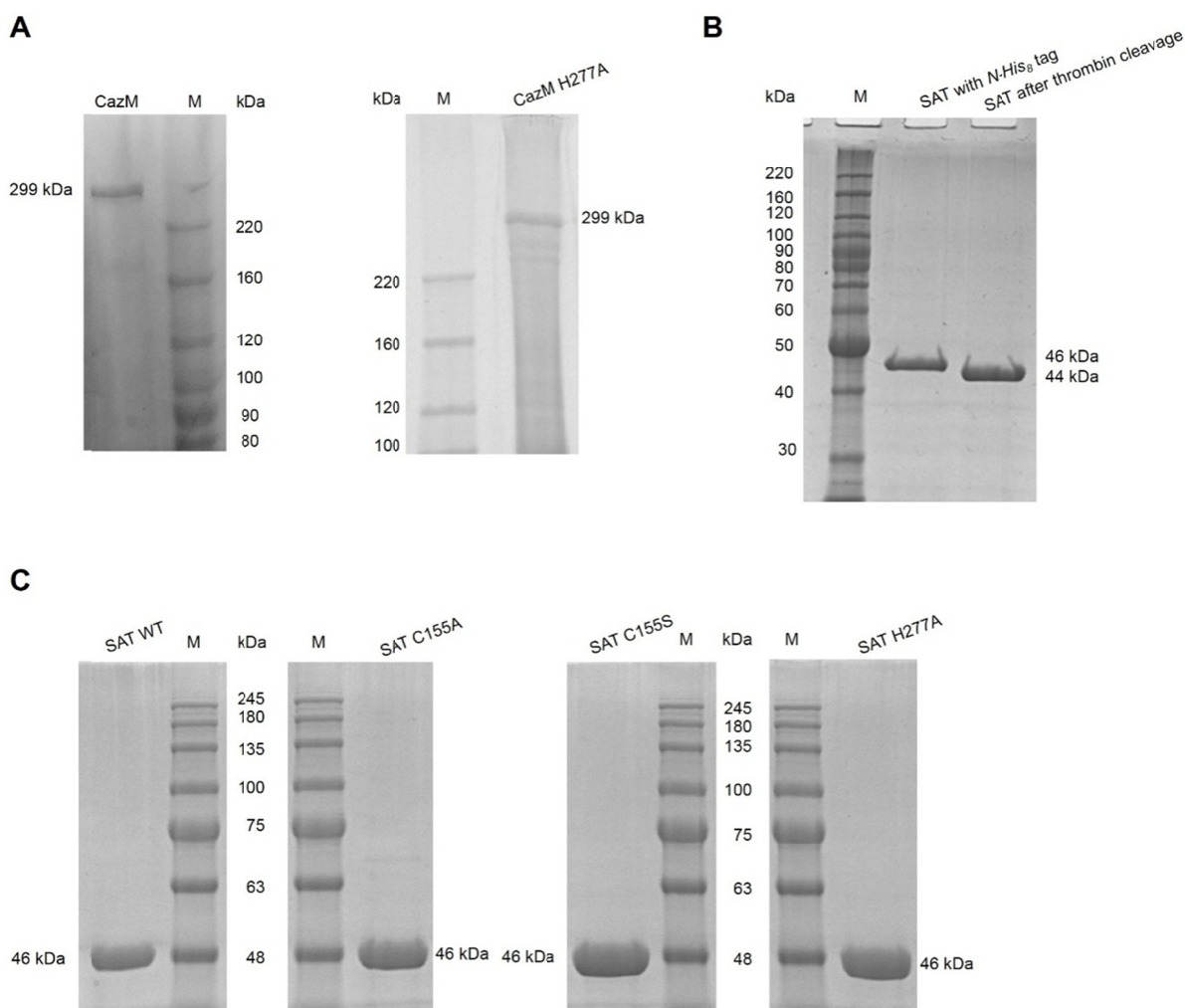


Supplementary Figure 3. Amino acid sequence of *CazM*. The SAT domain with part of the KS-linker is highlighted in gray. The GxCxG binding motif is underlined.

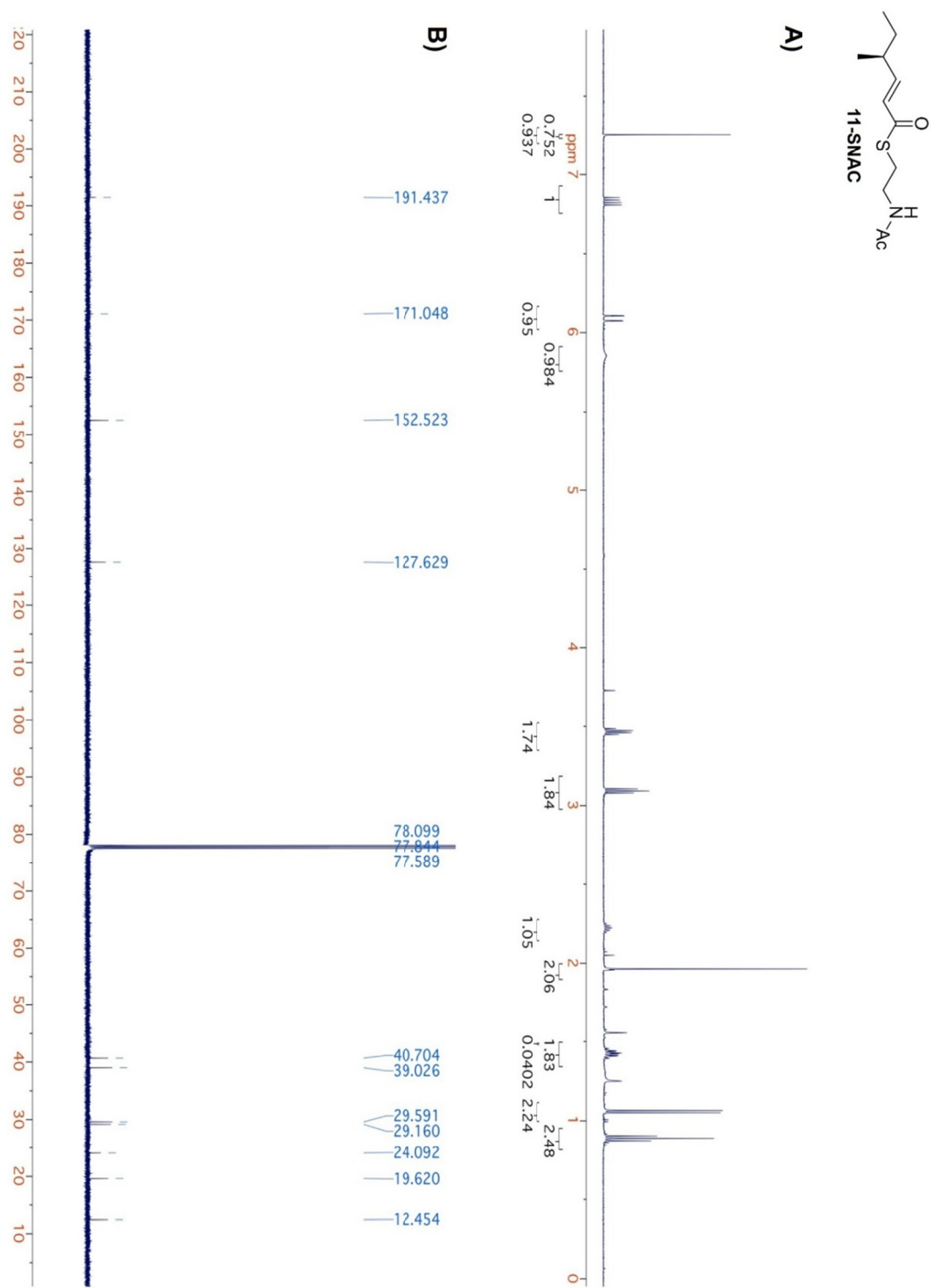
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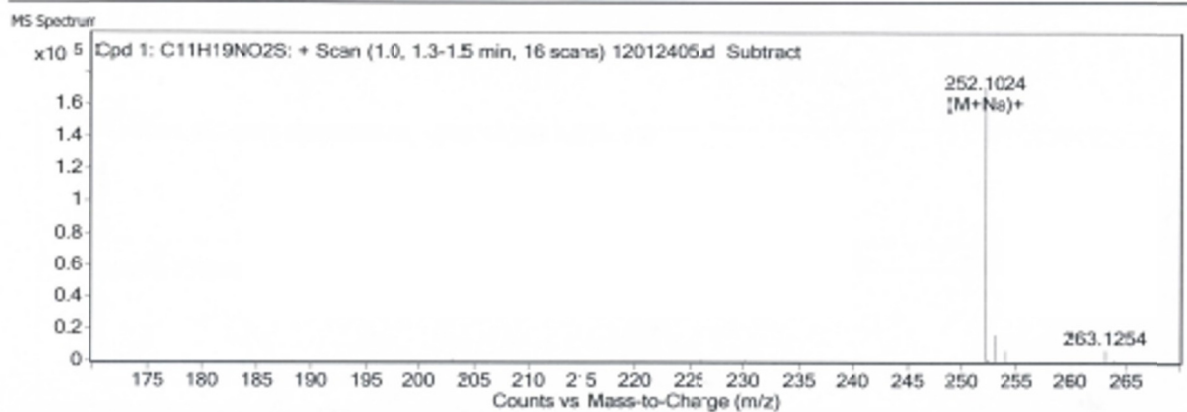
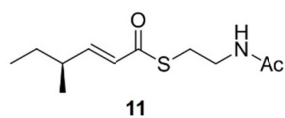
Supplementary Figure 4. SDS-PAGE of recombinant caz proteins expressed in this study. A) CazM and CazM H277A (both 299 kDa) were expressed as C-terminal hexahistidyl-tagged proteins in *S. cerevisiae* BJ5464-NpgA, purified by Ni-NTA agarose affinity resin at 2.2 mg/L and 2.0 mg/L, respectively, and analyzed for purity using a 6% SDS-PAGE gel. B) CazM's SAT domain used for crystallization studies was expressed as an N-terminal octahistidyl-tagged protein (46 kDa) in *E. coli* BL21 (DE3) cells. The His-tag was removed via thrombin cleavage to afford the 44 kDa protein, which was analyzed for purity using a 12% SDS-PAGE gel. C) For in vitro assays, the standalone wild-type SAT domain and mutants were expressed as N-terminal octahistidyl-tagged proteins (46 kDa) in *E. coli* BL21(DE3) cells, purified by Ni-NTA agarose affinity resin to yield between 40-60 mg/L and analyzed for purity using a 12% SDS-PAGE gel. In panels A and B, BenchMark ladder (Life Technologies) was used, whereas Bluestain protein ladder 11-245 kDa (GoldBio) was used for all gels in panel C.



Supplementary Figure 5. A) ^1H NMR spectrum (500 MHz) and B) ^{13}C NMR spectrum (125 MHz) of SNAC ester (**11**) in CDCl_3 .



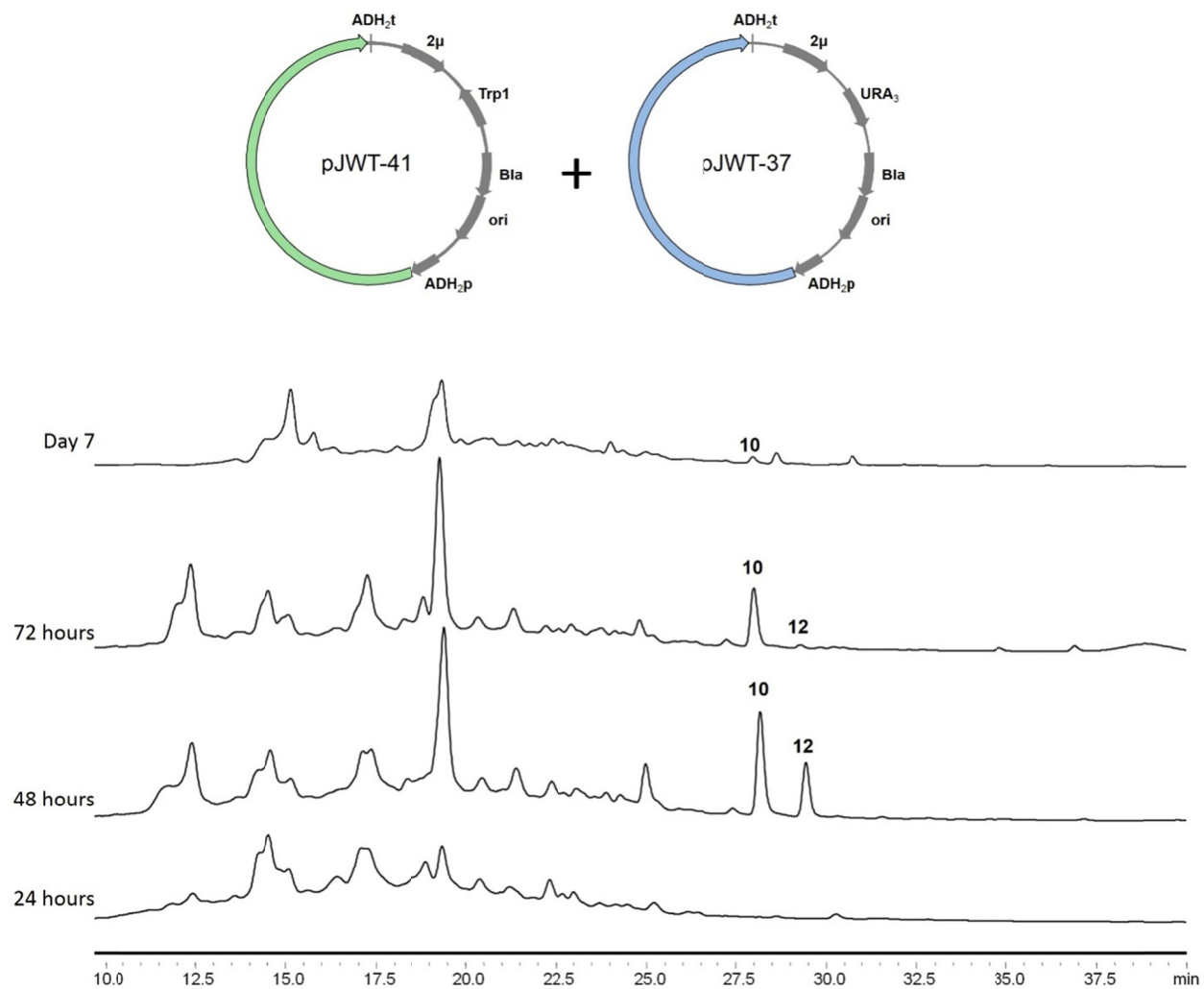
Supplementary Figure 6. Mass spectrum of SNAC ester (11).



MS Spectrum Peak List

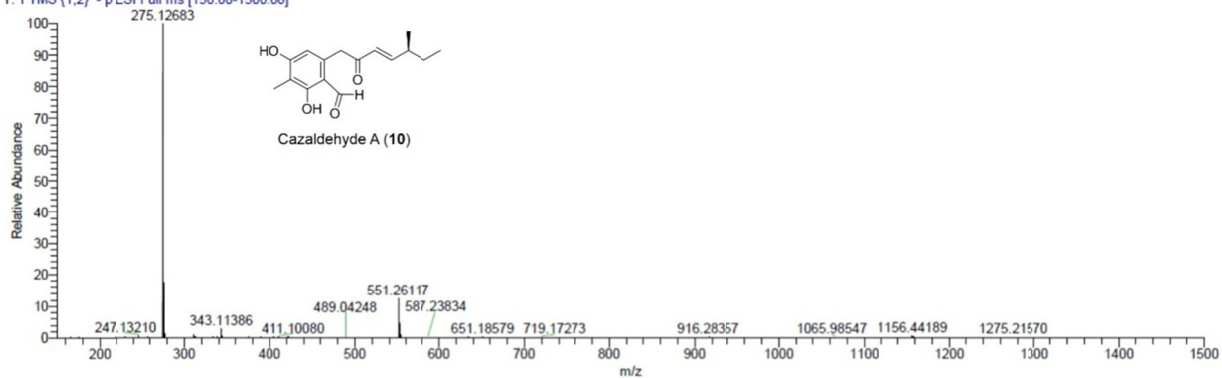
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Supplementary Figure 7. *In vivo* synthesis of cetaldehyde A (**10**) and B (**12**) in *S. cerevisiae* BJ5464-NpgA. HPLC traces are shown in the same scale and at $\lambda = 290$ nm.

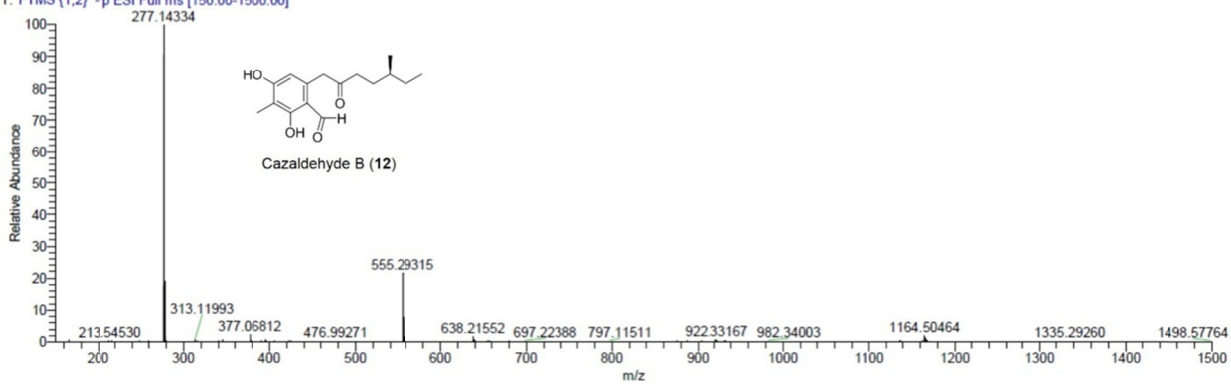


Supplementary Figure 8. Mass spectra data of 10 and 12

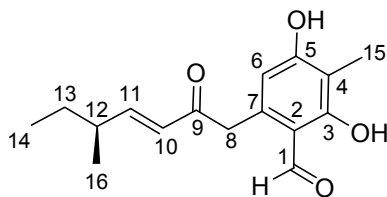
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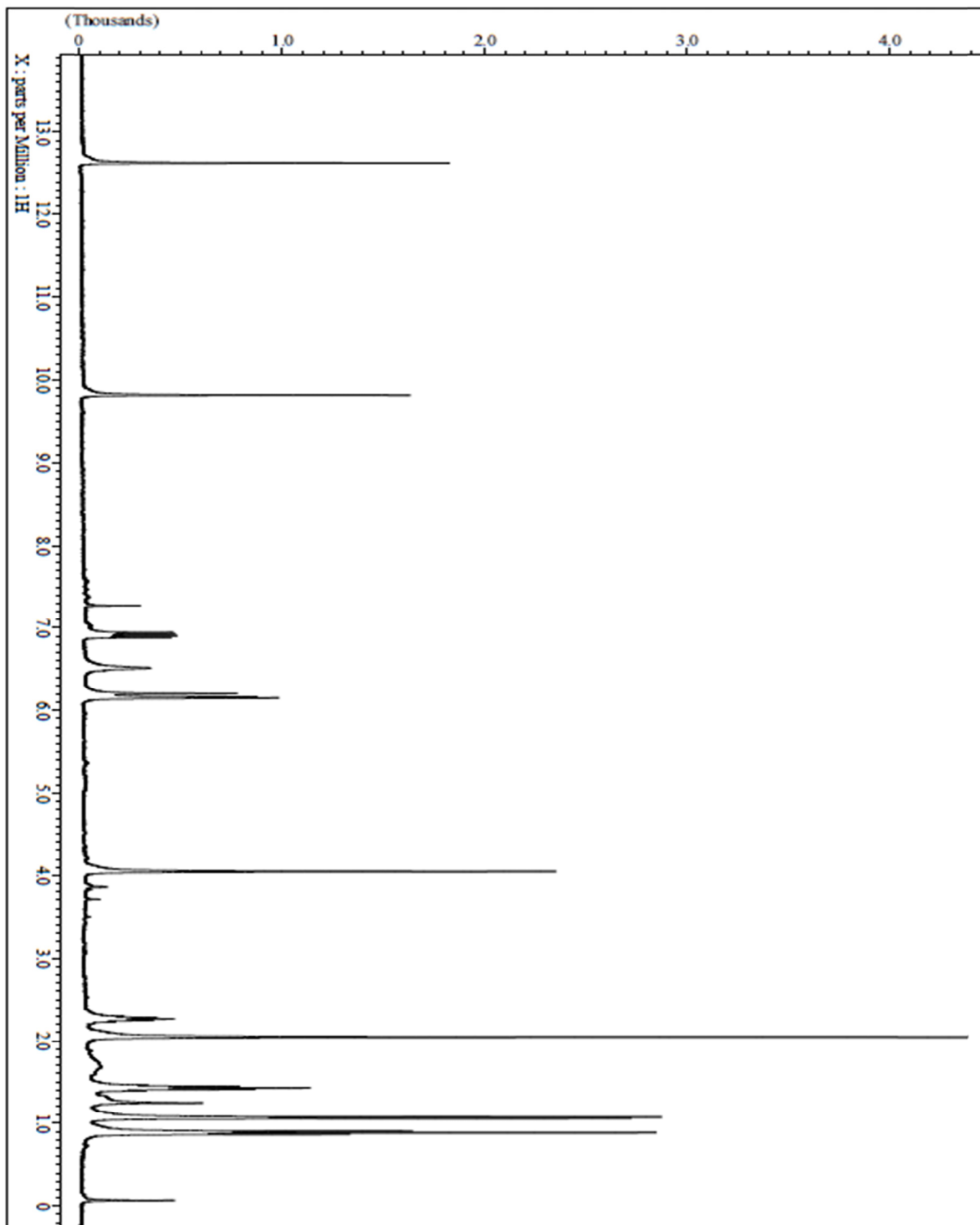
Supplementary Table 3. Assignments of ^{13}C and ^1H NMR data for calzaldehde A (10**)**



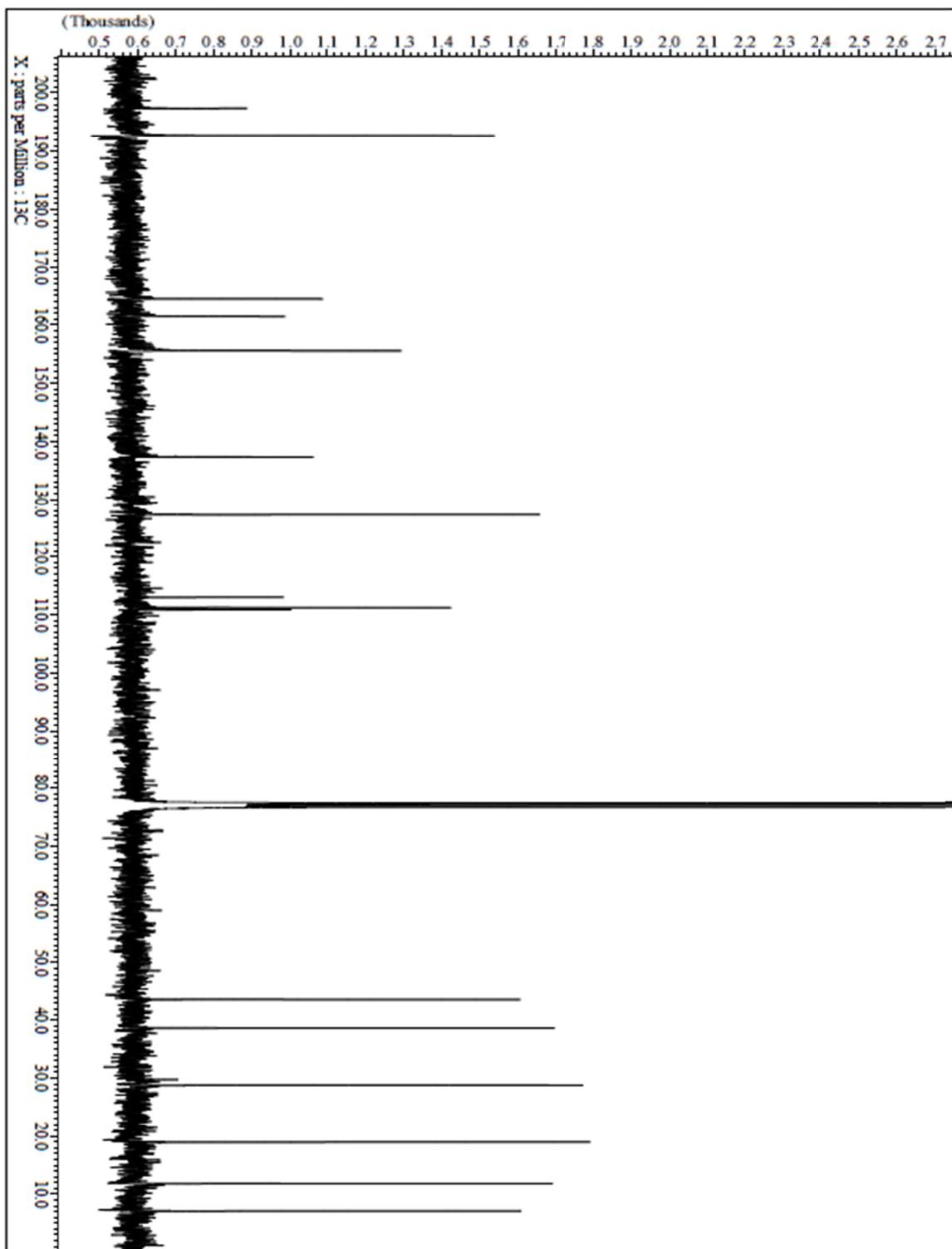
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1	192.7	9.82 (s)		2, 3
2	113			
3	161.5			
4	111.2			
5	164.5			
6	110.8	6.15 (s)		4, 8
7	137.2			
8	43.6	4.05 (s)		6, 7, 9
9	197.4			
10	127.3	6.2 (d, 16.0)	11	9, 12
11	155.6	6.94 (d.d. 16.4, 8.4)	10, 12	9, 12, 13, 16
12	38.7	2.28 (m)	11, 13, 16	11
13	28.9	1.45 (m)	12, 14	15
14	11.8	0.9 (t, 7.2)	13	12, 13
15	7.1	2.04 (s)		3, 4
16	19	1.09 (d, 7.2)	12	11, 12, 13
3-OH		12.7 (s)		3,4
5-OH		6.5 (br, s)		

[a] The numbering scheme for **10** was adopted from reference³; [b] ^{13}C NMR spectral data was taken at 100 MHz in CDCl_3 ; [c] ^1H NMR spectral data was taken at 400 MHz in CDCl_3 .

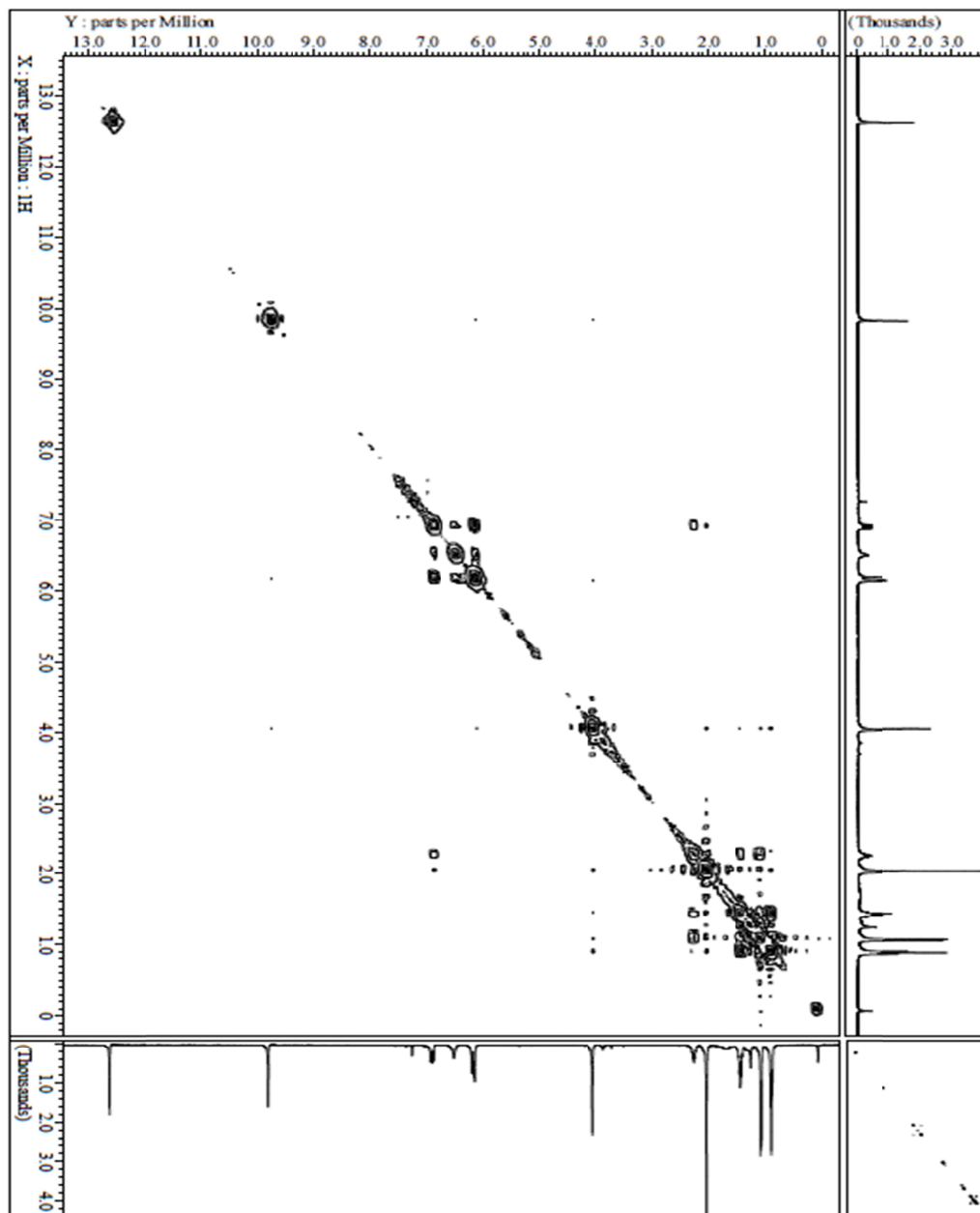
Supplementary Figure 9. ^1H NMR spectrum (400 MHz) of calaldehyde A (**10**) in CDCl_3



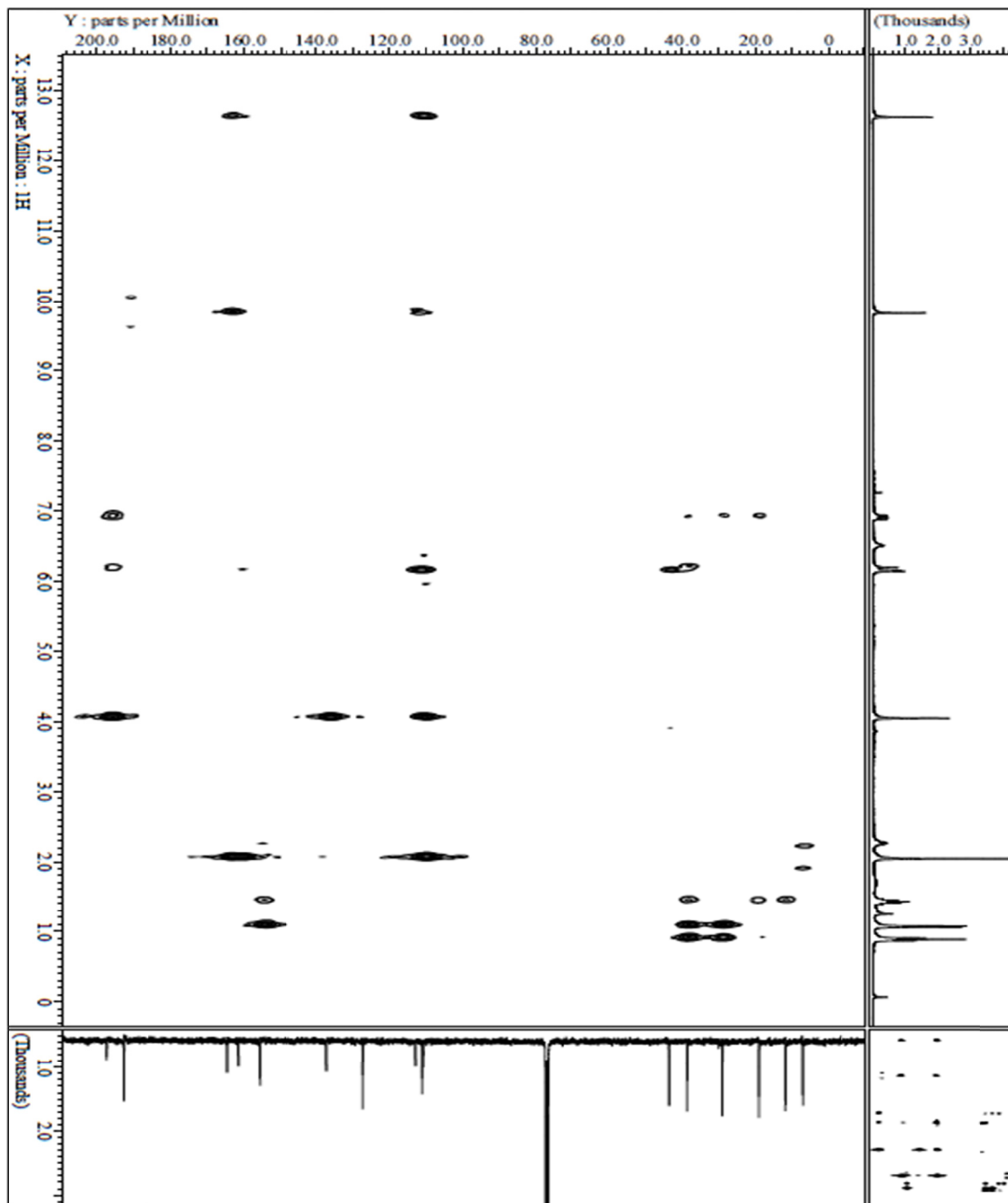
Supplementary Figure 10. ^{13}C NMR spectrum (100 MHz) of calaldehyde A (**10**) in CDCl_3



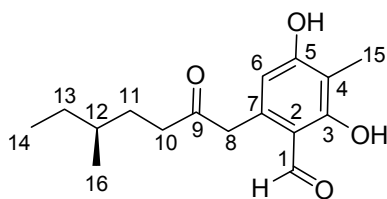
Supplementary Figure 11. ^1H - ^1H COSY NMR spectrum (400 MHz) of calzaldehde A (**10**) in CDCl_3



Supplementary Figure 12. ^1H - ^{13}C HMBC NMR spectrum (400 MHz) of calaldehyde A (**10**) in CDCl_3



Supplementary Table 4. Assignments of ^{13}C and ^1H NMR data for calzaldehedeB (12**)**



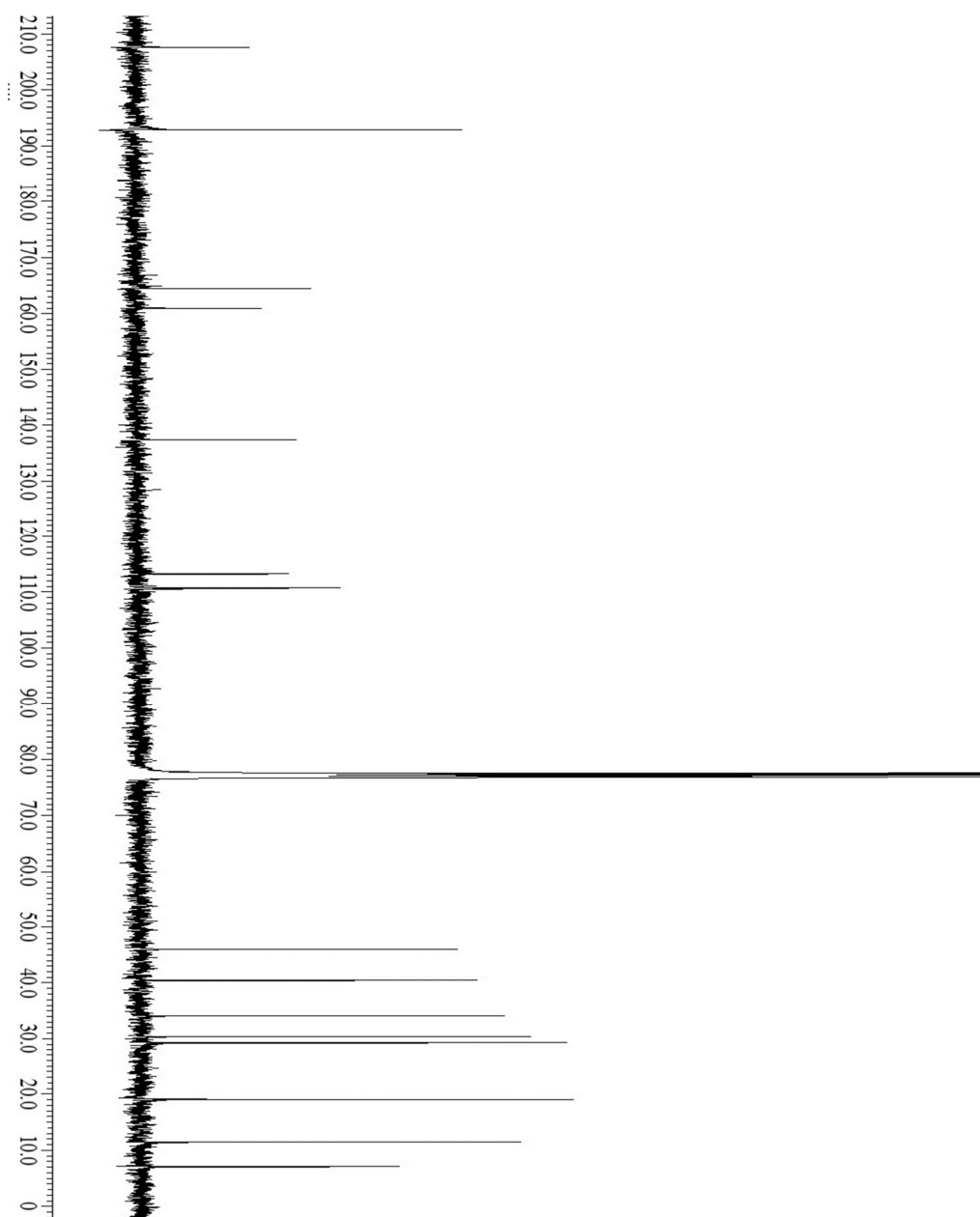
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1	192.9	9.87 (s)		3, 7
2	137.3			
3	164.5			
4	110.6			
5	161.0			
6	110.7	6.20 (s)		7, 8
7	113.2			
8	46.0	3.91 (s)		2, 6, 9
9	207.6			
10	40.5	2.52 (d,d, 15.4, 7.3)	11	9, 11, 12
11	30.4	1.62 (m)	10, 12	10, 12, 13, 16
12	34.1	1.30 (m) 1.33 (m)	11, 13, 16	10, 11, 13, 16
13	29.4	1.40 (m)	12, 14	11, 12, 14, 16
14	11.4	1.14 (m) 0.86 (t, 7.6)	13	12
15	7.10	2.09 (s)		3, 4, 5
16	19.1	0.84 (d, 6.1)	12	11, 12
3-OH		12.7 (s)		3,4
5-OH		5.7 (br s)		

[a] The numbering scheme for **12** was adopted from reference³; [b] ^{13}C NMR spectral data was taken at 100 MHz in CDCl_3 ; [c] ^1H NMR spectral data was taken at 400 MHz in CDCl_3 .

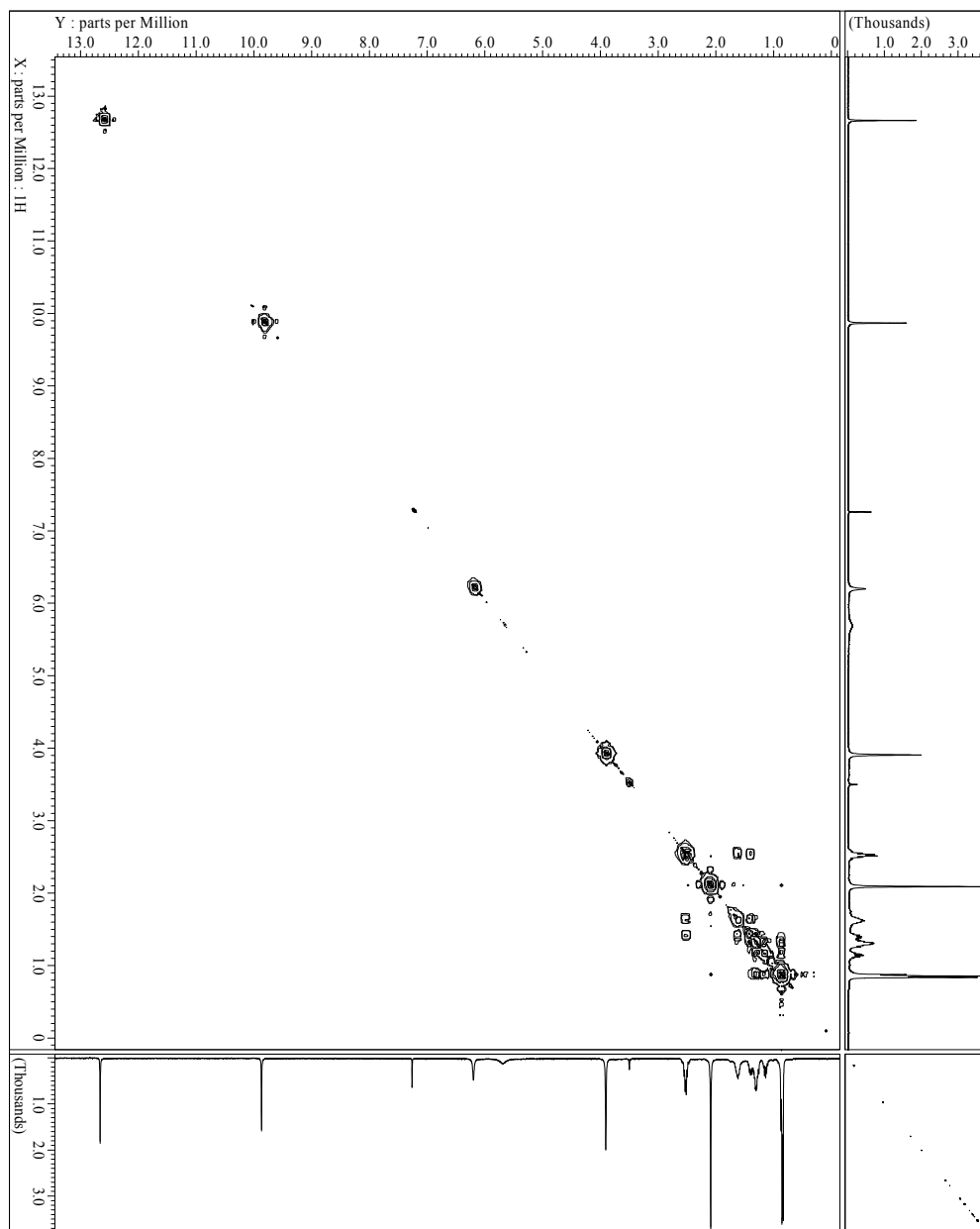
Supplementary Figure 13. ^1H NMR spectrum (400 MHz) of calaldehyde B (**12**) in CDCl_3



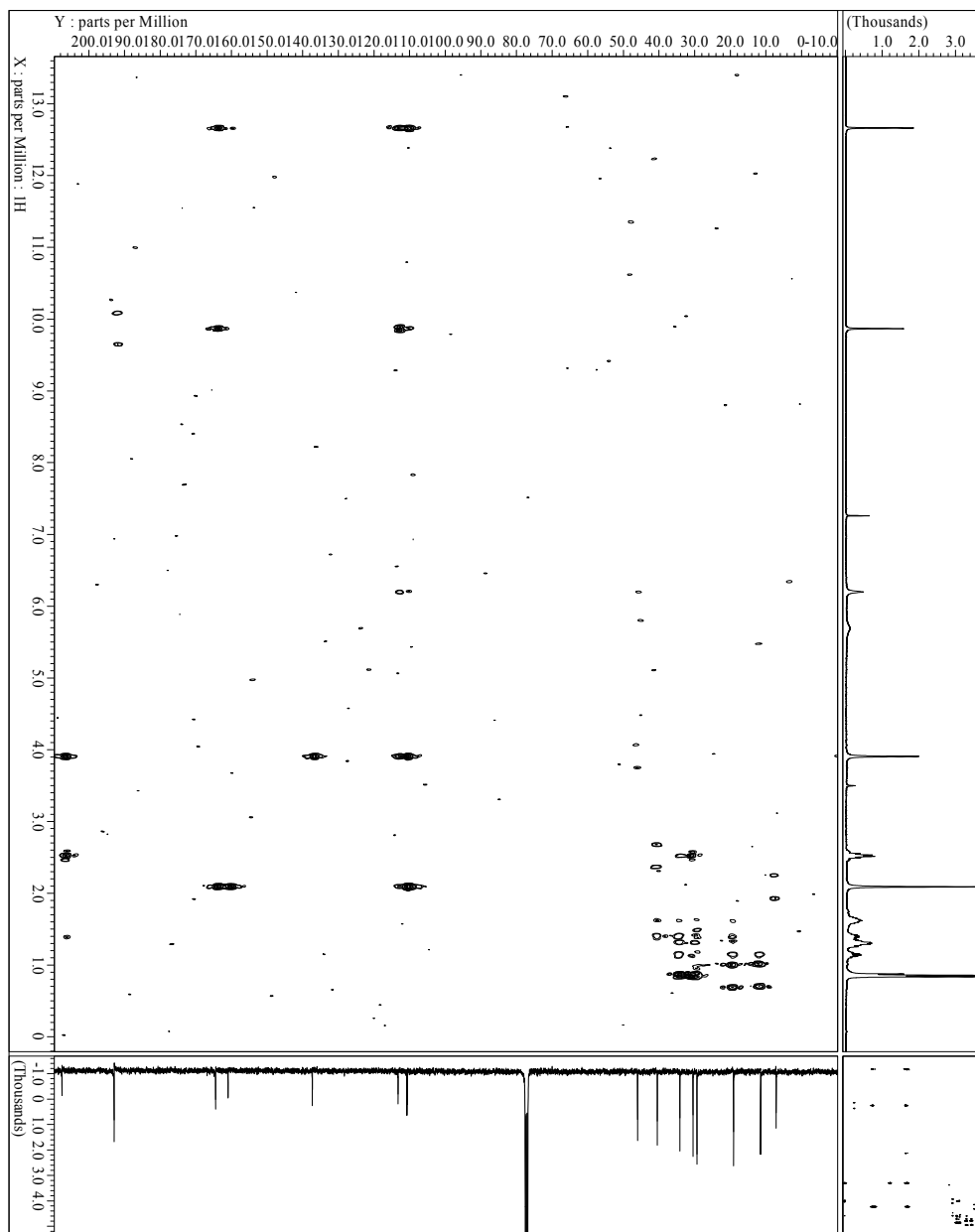
Supplementary Figure 14. ^{13}C NMR spectrum (100 MHz) of calaldehydeB (**12**) in CDCl_3



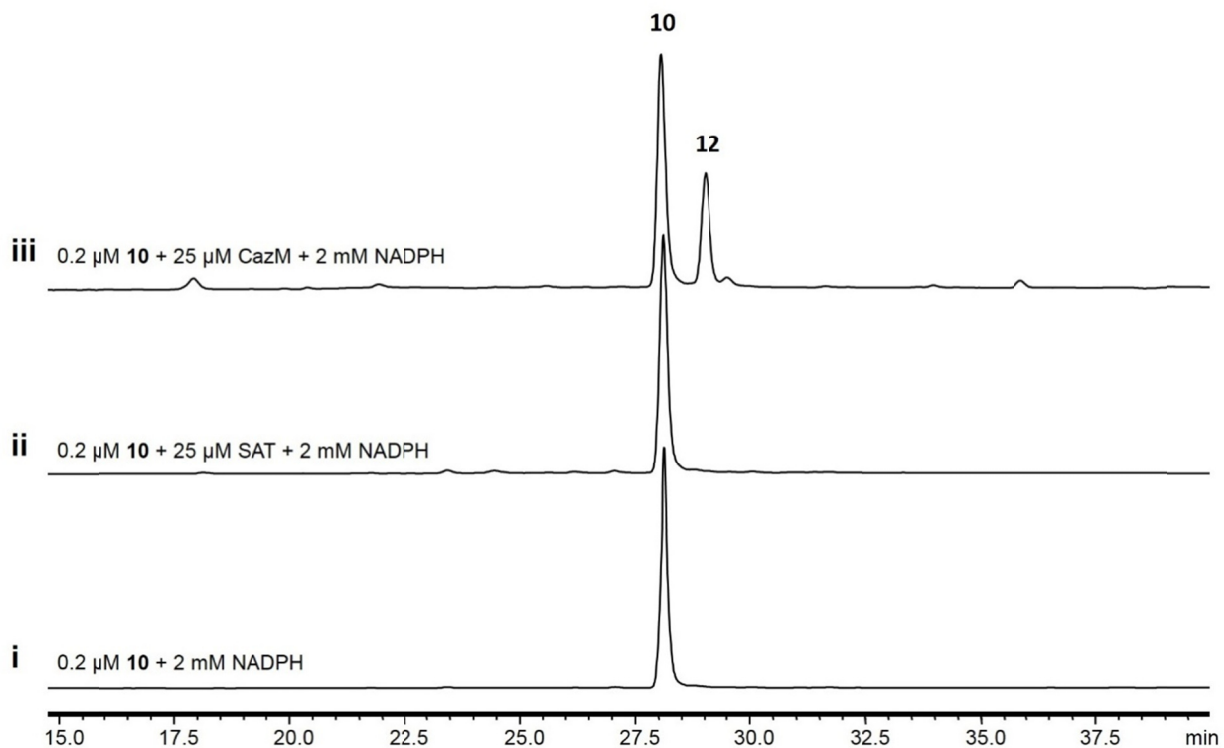
Supplementary Figure 15. ^1H - ^1H COSY NMR spectrum (400 MHz) of calaldehyde B (**12**) in CDCl_3



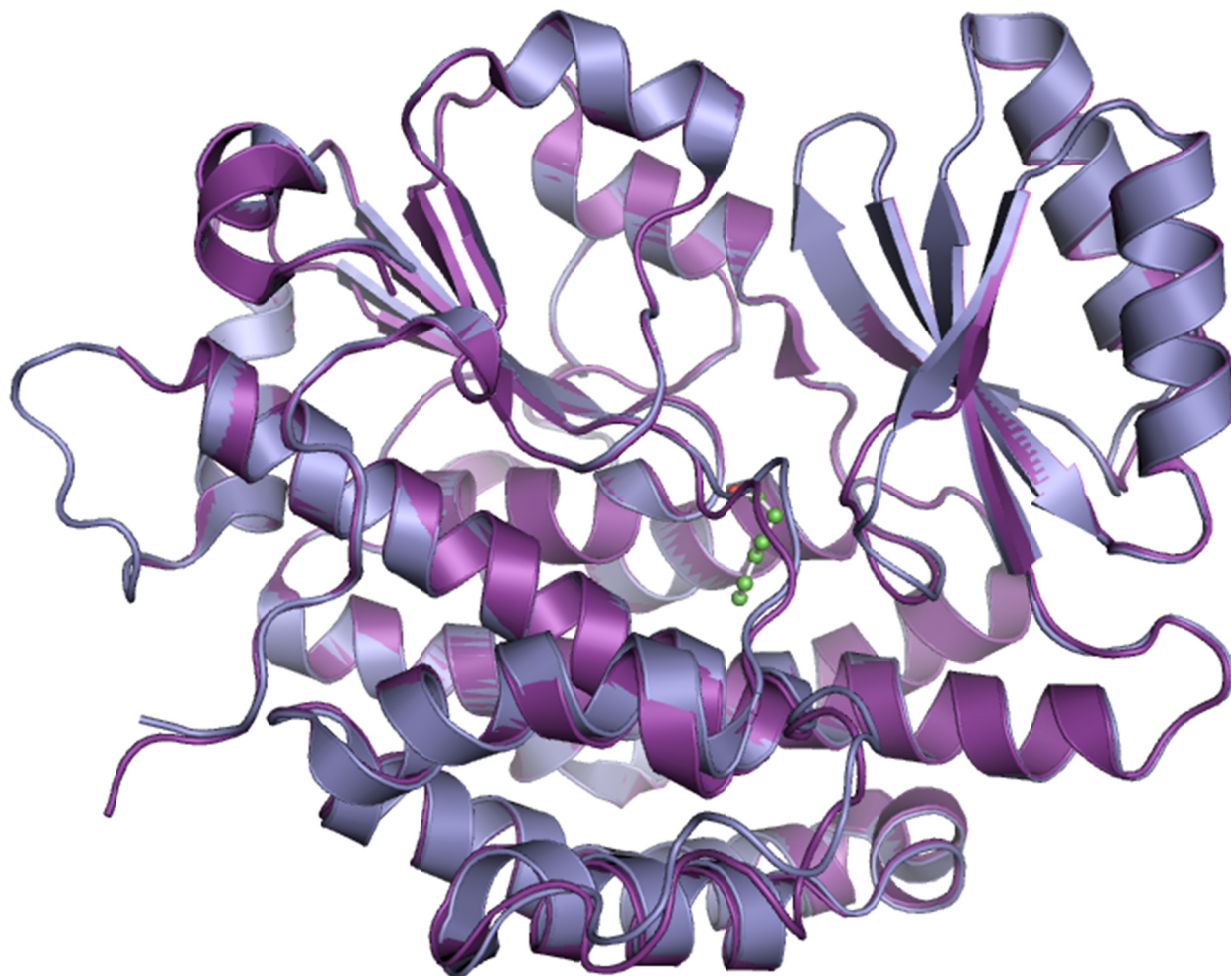
Supplementary Figure 16. ^1H - ^{13}C HMBC NMR spectrum (400 MHz) of caldehyde **12** in CDCl_3



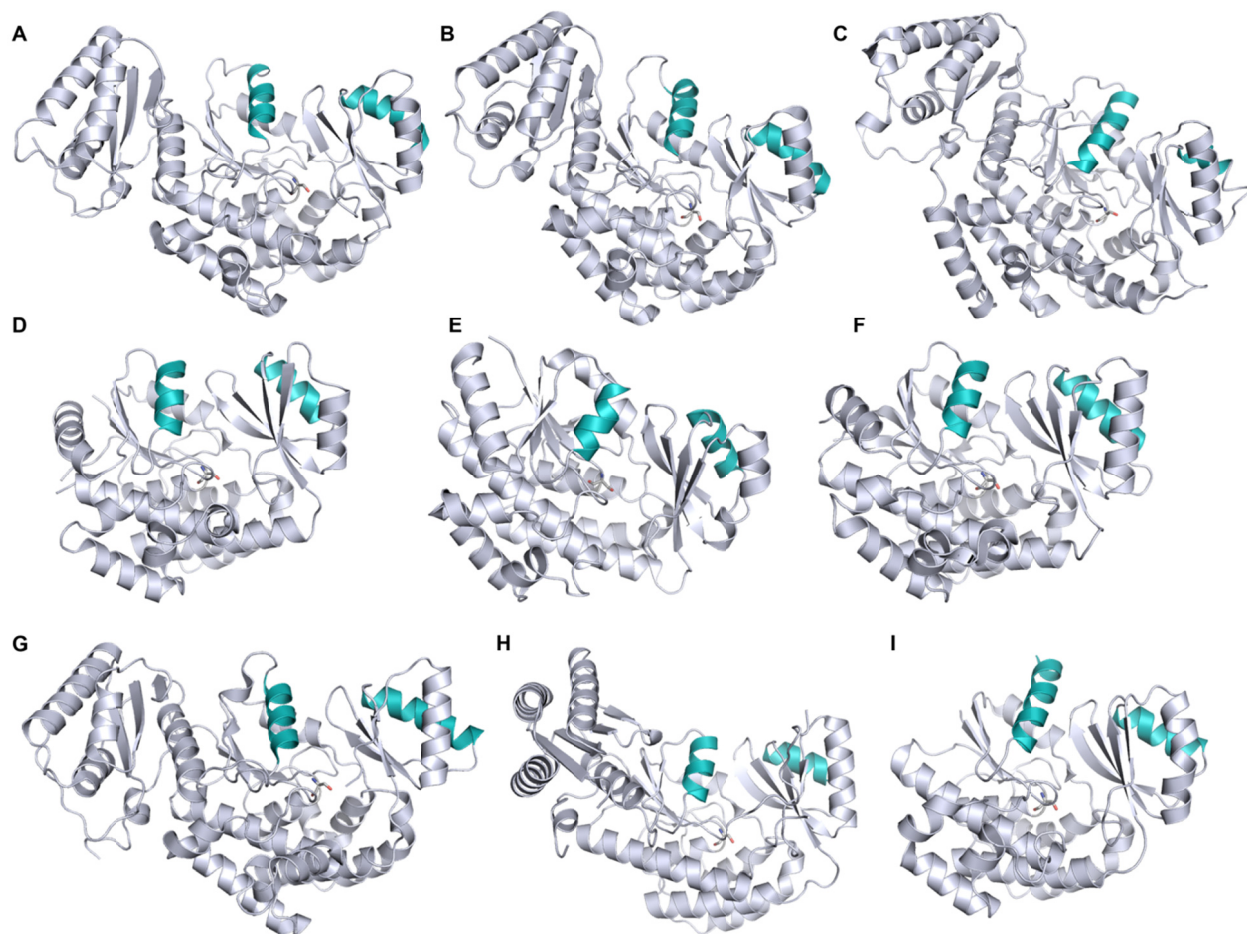
Supplementary Figure 17. *CazaldehydeA (10) reduction assay.* i) No reduction of **10** was observed when the compound was incubated with 2 mM NADPH indicating the reduction is enzymatic; ii) No reduction of **10** was observed when the compound was incubated with the standalone wild-type SAT domain in the presence of NADPH indicating that the SAT domain did not catalyze the observed reduction; iii) Reduction of **10** to **12** was observed after **10** was incubated with CazM in the presence of NADPH indicating that the observed reduction most likely takes place via the R domain. HPLC traces are shown in the same scale and at $\lambda = 290$ nm.



Supplementary Figure 18. Alignment of the apo and hexanoyl-bound SAT structures. The structures are shown as cartoons where the apo (4R05) is colored magenta and the hexanoyl-bound (4RPM) SAT is colored in light purple. Hexanoyl is shown as ball and stick. The structures were analyzed using PyMOL.⁵



Supplementary Figure 19. Crystal structures of malonyl-CoA:ACP transacylases, acyltransferase domains and trans-acyltransferases. A) Acyltransferase from module 3 of 6-deoxyerythronolide B synthase (2QO3).⁶ B) Acyltransferase from module 5 of 6-deoxyerythronolide B synthase (2HG4).⁷ C) Acyltransferase from PKS13 (3TZW).⁸ D) Malonyl-CoA:ACP transacylase from *Streptomyces coelicolor* A3(2) (1NM2).⁹ E) Malonyl-CoA:ACP transacylase from *Helicobacter pylori* (2H1Y).¹⁰ F) Malonyl-CoA:ACP transacylase from *Xanthomonas oryzae* pv. *Oryzae* KACC10331 (3R97).¹¹ G) Acyltransferase from zwittermicin polyketide synthase ZmaA (4QBU).¹² H) Acyltransferase from the enediyne polyketide synthase Dyn₁₀ (4AMM).¹³ I) Trans-acyltransferase involved in disorazole synthesis (3RGI).¹⁴ Each structure is shown as a cartoon and helices corresponding to α J and α P in the SAT structure are highlighted in teal. The active site Ser residues for each structure is shown as a stick. The structures were analyzed using PyMOL.⁵



Supplementary Table 5. X-ray data collection and refinement statistics for the SAT domain

	SeMethionine apo SAT	SeMethionine Hexanoyl-SAT
Data Collection		
PDB accession code	4RO5	4RPM
Space group	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁
Unit cell dimensions		
$a=b=c$ (Å)	43.13, 52.16, 163.09	45.67,52.36,168.03
$\alpha=\beta=\gamma$ (°)	90.0	90.0
Reflections observed	156783	283472
Unique reflections	87226	79353
Wavelength (Å)	0.9792	0.9789
Resolution (Å)	81.5-1.9	84.0-1.4
Highest Resolution Shell (Å) ^a	1.64-1.60	1.44-1.40
R _{sym} (%) ^b	4.7(26.4)	4.9(53.9)
CC(1/2)	98.8(85.5)	99.8(80.0)
I/σ	11.53(2.98)	12.79(2.01)
Completeness (%)	92.7(88.1)	98.5(96.6)
Wilson B value (Å**2)	12.8	16.2
Refinement		
Resolution (Å)	81.5-1.60	84.0-1.4
Resolution (Å) (last shell)	1.63-1.60	1.42-1.40
Reflections Used	48603	79350
R _{work} (%)/R _{free} (%) ^c	18.7(20.0) 21.8(25.0)	18.7(25.86) 20.4(27.33)
Protein Molecules in Asymmetric Unit	1	1
Number of non-H atoms		
Protein	2989	3040
Non-protein	189	185
RMS deviations		
Bond lengths (Å)	0.006	0.006
Bond angles (°)	1.067	1.018
Average B-factor (Å ²)		
Protein atoms	15.37	22.29
Non-protein atoms	19.70	26.9
Ramachandran plot regions ^d		
Favored	99.22	98.74
Allowed	0.78	1.26
Outliers	0.0	0.0

^a Highest resolution shell shown in parenthesis. ^b $R_{sym} = 100 \times \sum (I - I(\text{mean}))^2 / \sum I^2$ where I is the observed intensity of the reflection HKL and the sum is taken over all reflections

HKL. ^c *Rfactor* = $100 \times \frac{\sum \left| |F_{obs}| - |F_{calc}| \right|}{\sum |F_{obs}|}$ and F_{obs} are the calculated and observed structure factor amplitudes, respectively. R_{work} refers to the R_{factor} for the data utilized in the refinement and R_{free} refers to the R_{factor} for 5% of the reflections randomly chosen that were excluded from the refinement. ^dPercentage of residues in Ramachandran plot regions were determined using MOLPROBITY.¹⁵

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