

Mechanistic Basis for ATP-Dependent Inhibition of Glutamine Synthetase by Tabtoxinine- β -Lactam

Supporting Information

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I. Supplementary Tables

Supplementary Table 1. Strains and plasmids used in this work.

Strain	Plasmid	Inducible Gene/Marker	Origin/Reference
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. <i>tabaci</i> ATCC 11528	None	Tabtoxin producer	ATCC
<i>E. coli</i> ATCC 29522	None	Antibiotic Susceptibility Testing	ATCC
<i>E. coli</i> TOP10	None	Cloning strain	Invitrogen
<i>E. coli</i> BL21 (DE3)	None	Protein expression strain	Agilent
<i>E. coli</i> BL21 (DE3)	pET28a	<i>GlnA</i> from <i>E. coli</i>	This Work
<i>E. coli</i> BL21 (DE3)	pET28a	<i>GlnA</i> from <i>S. aureus</i>	This work
<i>E. coli</i> BL21 (DE3)	pET28a	<i>GlnA</i> from <i>H. sapiens</i>	This work
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<i>E. coli</i> TOP10	pET28a	<i>GlnA</i> from <i>H. sapiens</i>	This work

Supplementary Table 2. Codon optimized glutamine synthetase genes used in this work.

Gene	Source	Codon Optimized Nucleotide Sequence
<i>GlnA</i>	<i>E. coli</i>	ATGAGCGCGGAGCAGCTGCTGACCATGCTGAACGAGCAGCAAGTGAAGTTCGTTGACCTGCGTTTTACCGATACCAAG GGTAAAGAGCAGCACGTGACCATCCGGCGCACCAAGTTAACGCGGAATTCCTTTGAGGAAGGTAATGTTGACGGC AGCAGCATCGGTGGCTGGAAAGGCATTAACGAAAGCGACATGGTGTGATGCCGGATGCGAGCACCGGGTTATCGAC CCGTTCTTTGCGGATAGCACCTGATCATTCGTTGCGATATTCTGGAGCCGGTACCCTGCAGGGTTATGACCGTGAT CCGCGTAGCATCGCGAAACGTGCGGAAGACTATCTGCGTAGCACCGGATTGCGGATACCGTGTGTTGGTCCGGAG CCGGAATTCCTTTCTGTTGACGATATCCGTTTTGGTAGCAGCATTAGCGGCAGCCAGTTGCGATCGACGATATTGAG GGTGCCTGGAACAGCAGCACCCAATACGAAGGTGGCAACAAGGGTACCCTCCGGCGGTGAAAGGTGGCTATTTCCG GTGCCCGCGTTGACAGCGCGCAGGATATCCGTAGCGAGATGTGCCCTGGTTATGGAACAAATGGGTCTGGTGGTTGAA GCGCACCCATGAAGTTGCGACCGCGGTCAGAACGAGGTTGCGACCCGTTTCAACACCATGACCAAGAAAGCGGAC GAAATCCAAATTTACAAGTATGTGGTTCACAACGTTGCGCACCGTTTCGGCAAGACCGCGACCTTTATGCCGAAACCG ATGTTGCGCGACAACGGTAGCGGCATGCACTGCCACATGAGCCTGAGCAAGAACGGGTGAACCTGTTTGGCGGTGAT AAATACGCGGGCCTGAGCGAGCAGCGCTGACTATATCCGTGGCGTTATTAAGCACGCGAAAGCGATCAACGCGCTG GCGAACCCGACCAACAGCTACAAGCTCTGGTGGCGGTTATGAGGCGCGGTTATGCTGGCGTATAGCGCGCT AACCGTAGCGGAGCATCCGTATTCGGTGGTTAGCAGCCGAAAGCGCGTCTATTGAAGTTCGTTTTCCGGATCCG GCGCGAACCCGTATCTGTGCTTTGCGCGCTGCTGATGGCGGCTGGATGGCATCAAGAACAAATTCACCCGGG GAGCGATGGACAAGAACCTGTATGATCTGCCCGCGGAGGAAGCGAAAGAAATTCGCAAGTGGCGGGCAGCCTGGAG GAAGCGCTGAACGAGCTGGACCTGGATCGTGAATTTCTGAAAGCGGTTGGCGTTTTACCCGACGAAGCGATCGATGCG TACATTGCGCTGCGTGTGAGGAAGACGATCGTGTGCGTATGACCCCGCACCGGTTGAGTTCAACTGACTATAGC GTTTAA
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Supplementary Table 3. Primary protein sequence of GS homologs used in this work.

Gene	Source	Primary Protein Sequences of N-His ₆ -GS Homologs ^a
<i>GlnA</i>	<i>E. coli</i>	MGSSHHHHHHSSGLVPRGSHMSAEHVLTMLNEHEVKFVDLRFDTKKGKEQHVTIPAHQVNAEFFEFGKMFDDGSSI GGWKGINESDMVLMPDASTAVIDPFFADSTLIIRCDILEPGLTQGYDRDPRSIakraedyLRSTGIADTVLFGPEPEFFLF DDIRFGSSISGSHVAIDDIEGAWNSSTQYEGGNKGHRPAVKGGYFPVPPVDSAQDIRSEMCLVMEQMGLVVEAHHHEV ATAGQNEVATRFNTMTKKADEIQIYKYVVHNVahrfgktatfmpkpmfmgdngsgmhchmslkskngvnlFAGDKYAG LSEQALYYIGGVIKHAKAINALANPTTNSYKRLVPGYEAPVMLAYSARNRSASIRIPVVSPPKARRIEVRFPDPAANPYLC FAALLMAGLDGIKNIHPGEAMDKNLYDLPPEEAKEIPQVAGSLEEALNELDLDFREFLKAGGVFTDEAIDAYIALRREE DDRVRMTPHPVEFELYYSV
<i>GlnA</i>	<i>S. aureus</i>	MGSSHHHHHHSSGLVPRGSHMPKRTFTKEDIRKFAEEENVRYRLRQFTDILGTIKNVEVPVSQLEKVLDNEMMFDG SSIEGFVRIEESDMYLHPDLDTWVIFPWTAGQGKVARLICDVKYKTDGTPFEGDPRANLKRVLKEMEDLGFDFNLGPE PEFFLFKLDEKGEPTLELNDDGGYFDLAPTDLGENCRRDIVLEEDMGFDIEASHHEVAPGQHEIDFKYADAVTACDNI QTFKLVVKTIARKHNLHATFMPKPLFGVNGSGMHFNVSFLKKGKNAFFDPNTEMLTETAYQFTAGVLKNARGFTAV CNPLVNSYKRLVPGYEAPCYIAWSGKNRSPLIRVPSRGLSTRIEVRSDPAANPYMALAAILEAGLDGIKKNLKVPEPV NQNIYEMNREEREAVGIQDLPSTLYTALKAMRENEVIKKALGNHIYNQFINSKSIEWDYRRTQVSEWERDQYMKQY
<i>GlnA</i>	<i>H. sapiens</i>	MGSSHHHHHHSSGLVPRGSHMTTSASSHLNKGIKQVYMSLPQGEKVQAMYIWIWGTGEGLRCKTRTLTLDSEPKCREE LPEWNFDGSSTLQSEGSNSDMYLPAAMFRDPFRKDPNKLVLCEVFKYNNRRPAETNLRHTCKRIMDMVSNQHPWFG MEQEYTLMGTDGHPFGWPSNGFPGPQGPYYCGVGADRAYGRDIVEAHYRACLYAGVKIAGTNAEVMPAQWFEFQIGPC EGISMGDHLWVARFILHRVCEDFGVIAFDPKPIPGNWNWAGCHTNFSTKAMREENGLKYIEEAIEKLSKRHQYHIRAY DPKGGLDNARRLTGFHETSININDFSAGVANRSASIRIPRTVQGEKKGYPEDRRPSANCDPFSVTEALIRTCLLNETGDEP FQYKN

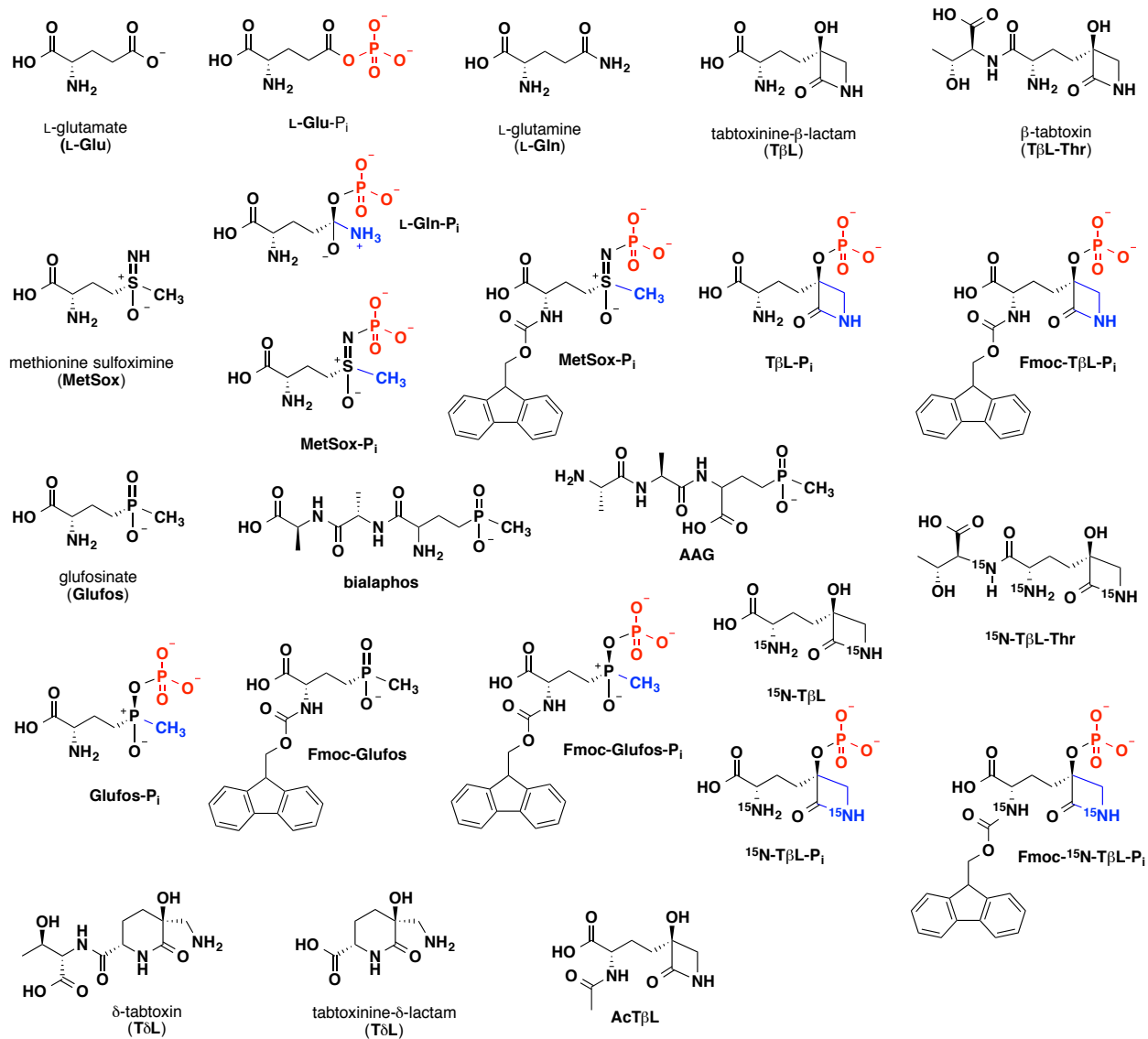
^aHexahistidine motif with thrombin cleavage site highlighted in yellow.

Supplementary Table 4. Percent sequence identity of GS homologs.

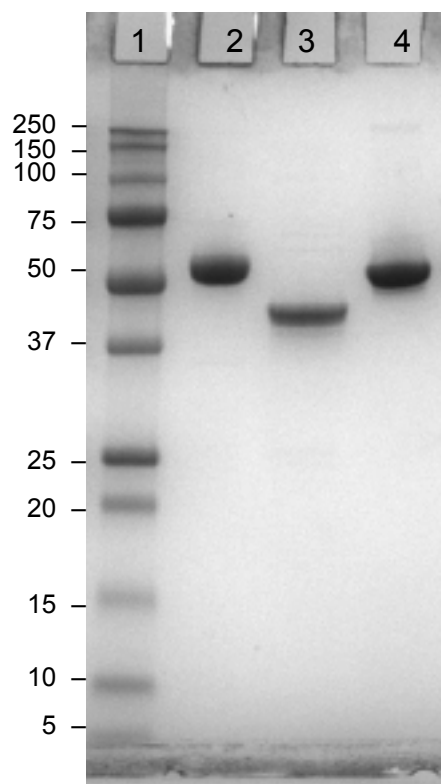
GS Homolog ^a	<i>E. coli</i>	<i>S. aureus</i>	Human
<i>E. coli</i>		40.5%	24.7%
<i>S. aureus</i>	40.5%		20.5%
Human	24.7%	20.5%	

^aPercent sequence identities were determine using Clustal W.

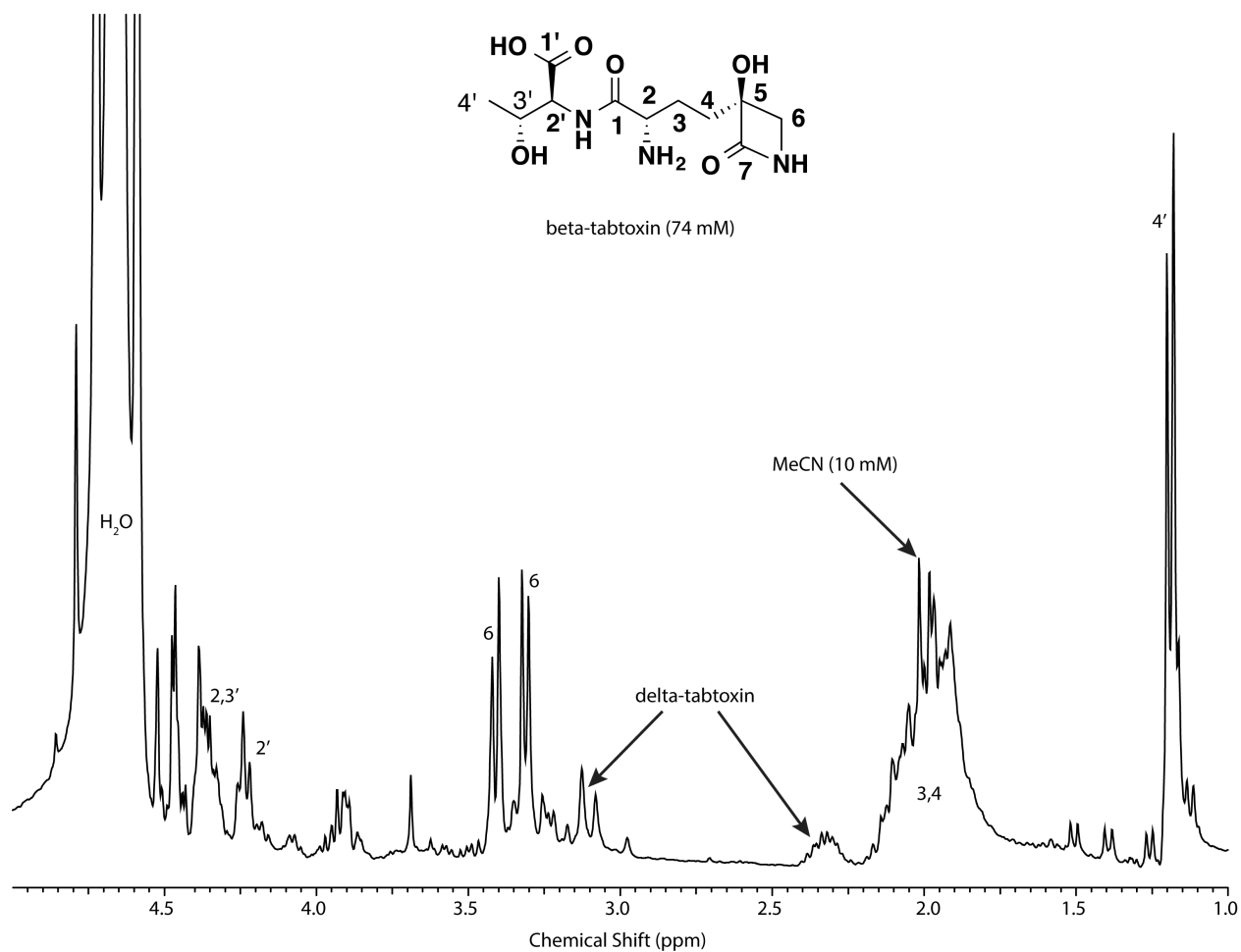
II. Supplementary Figures



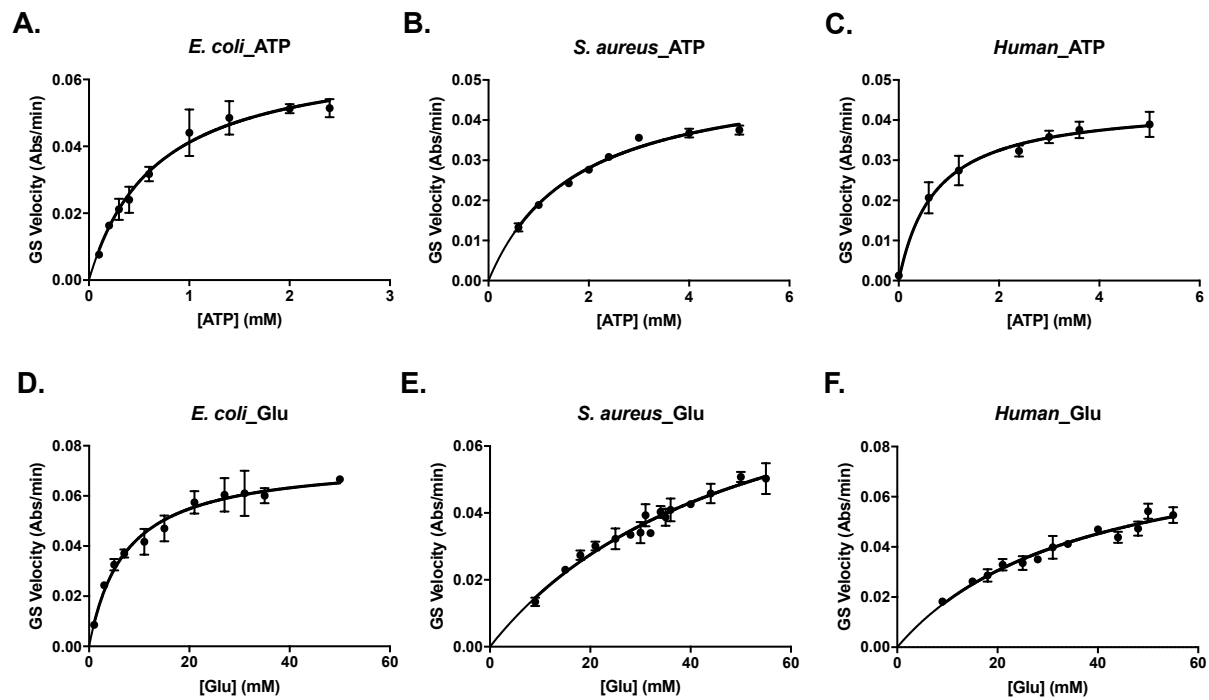
Supplementary Figure 1. Structures and abbreviations of compounds used in this work.



Supplementary Figure 2. SDS-PAGE analysis of purified *N*-His₆-GS homologs used in this work. SDS-PAGE gels (Any *kD*, Bio-Rad) were loaded with protein ladder (Precision Plus Protein Dual Xtra Prestained Protein Standards, Bio-Rad) in lane 1 and Ni-NTA elutions for recombinant *N*-His₆-GS from *E. coli* (54.1 kD), *H. sapiens* (44.2 kD), and *S. aureus* (53.0 kD) in lanes 2,3, and 4, respectively. Gel was stained with Coomassie blue.

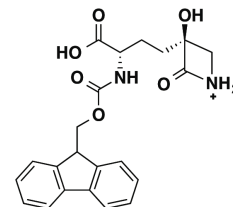
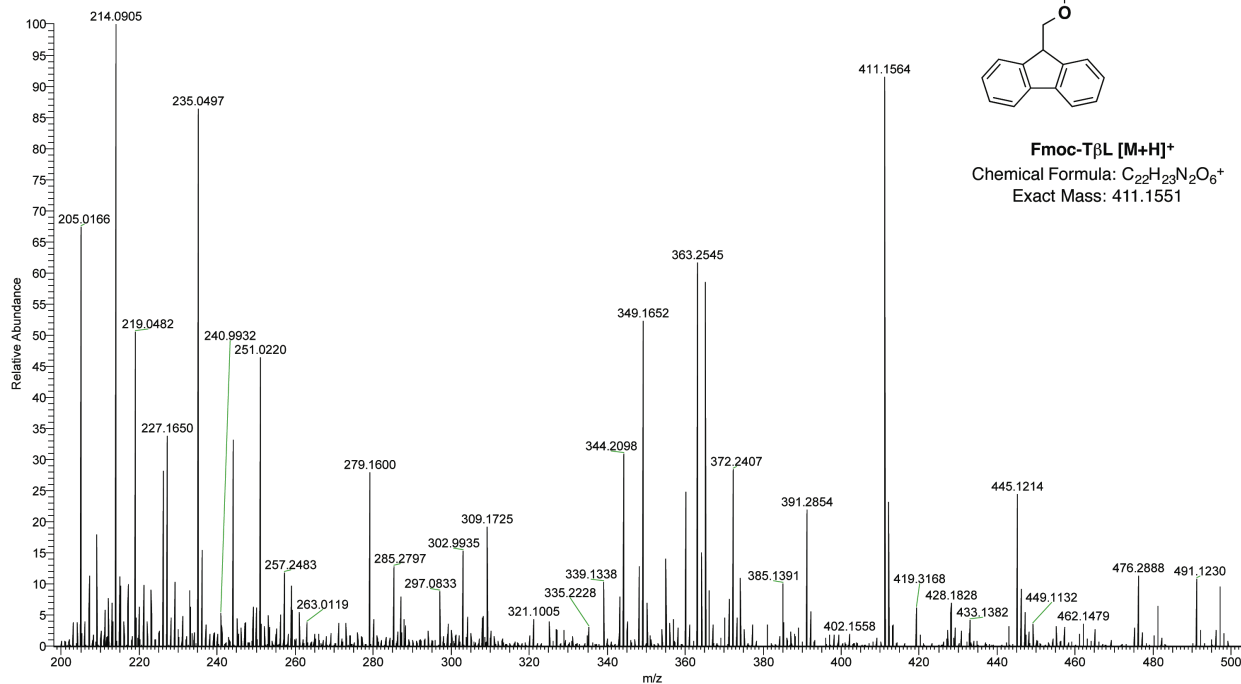


Supplementary Figure 3. Representative ¹H-NMR (300 MHz) of quantified tabtoxin (74 mM) after HILIC chromatography taken in D₂O with an acetonitrile (10 mM) internal standard. For full purification and characterization of tabtoxin see our previous publication¹.

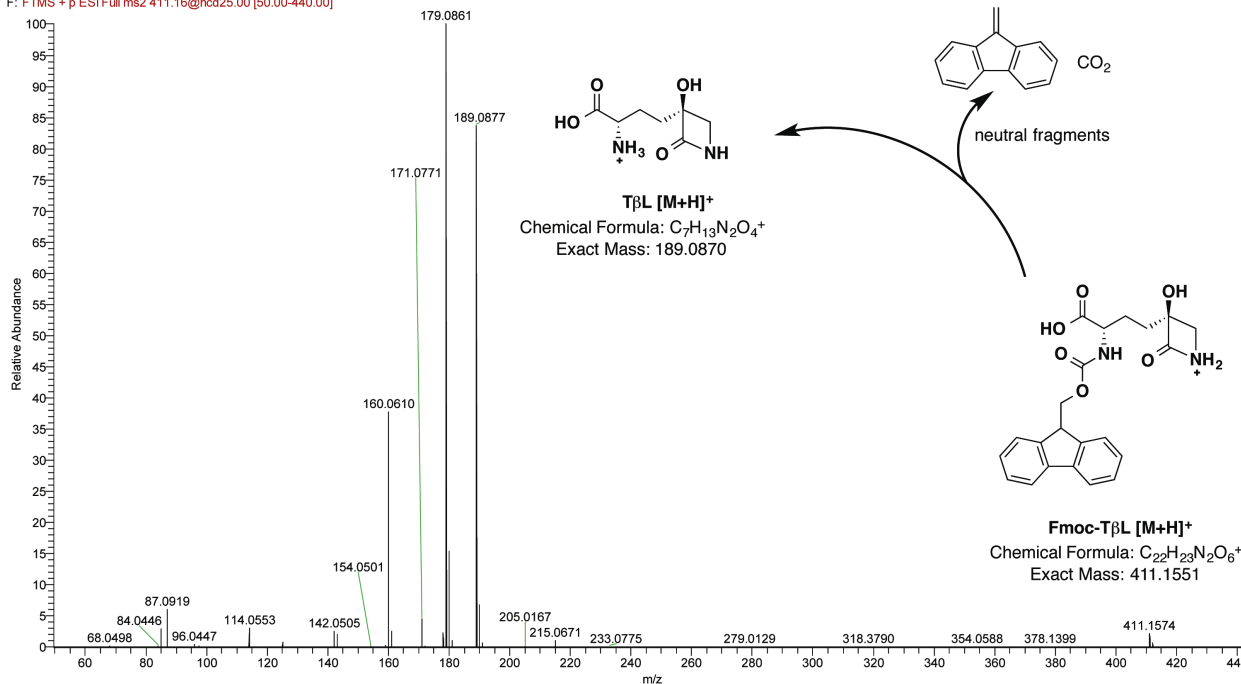


Supplementary Figure 4. Michaelis-Menten plots for GS homologs.

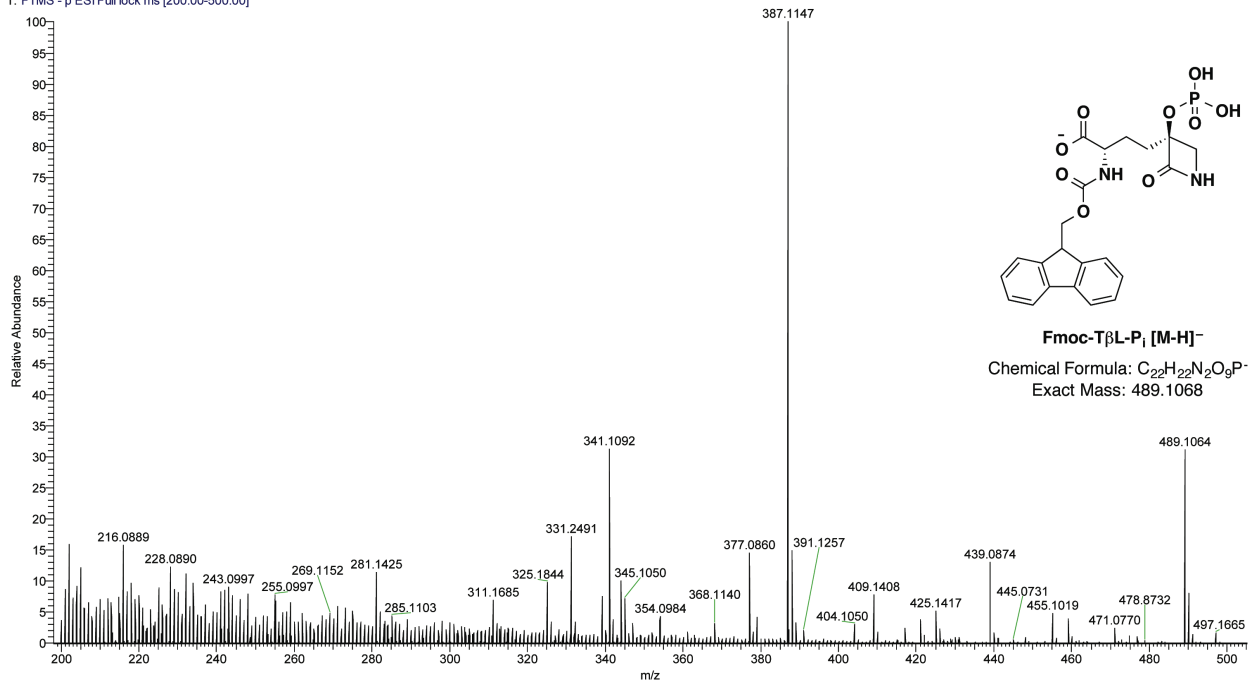
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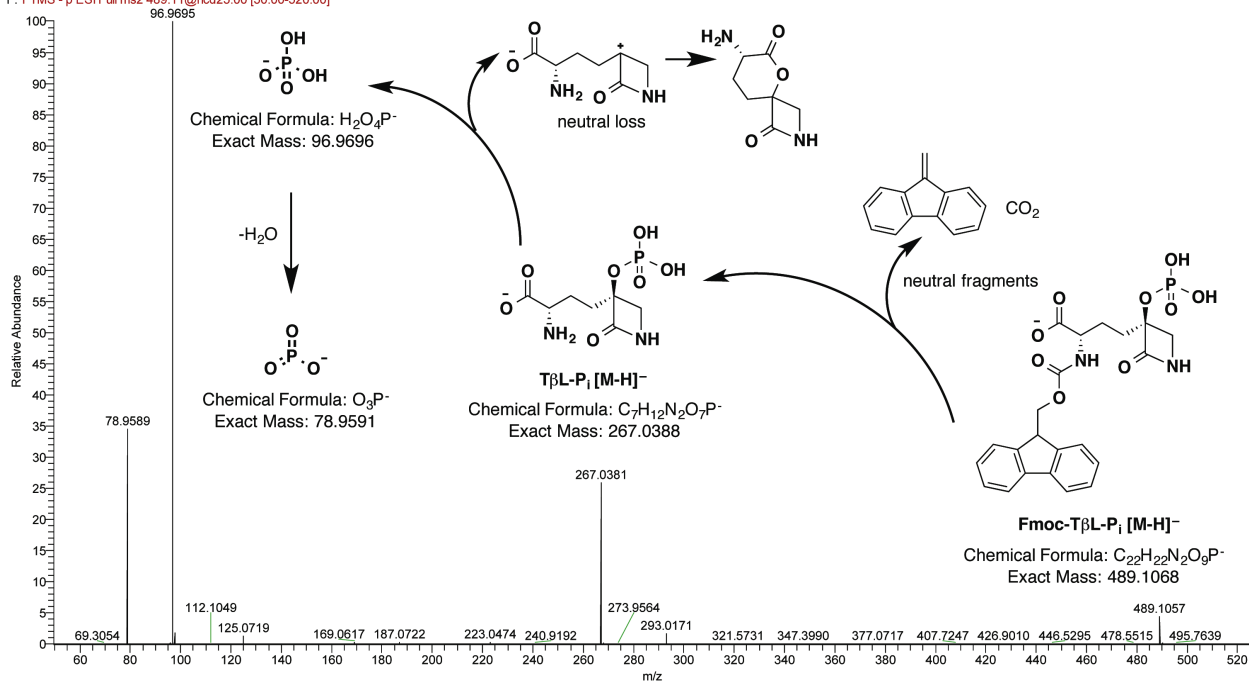
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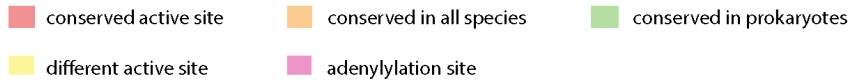
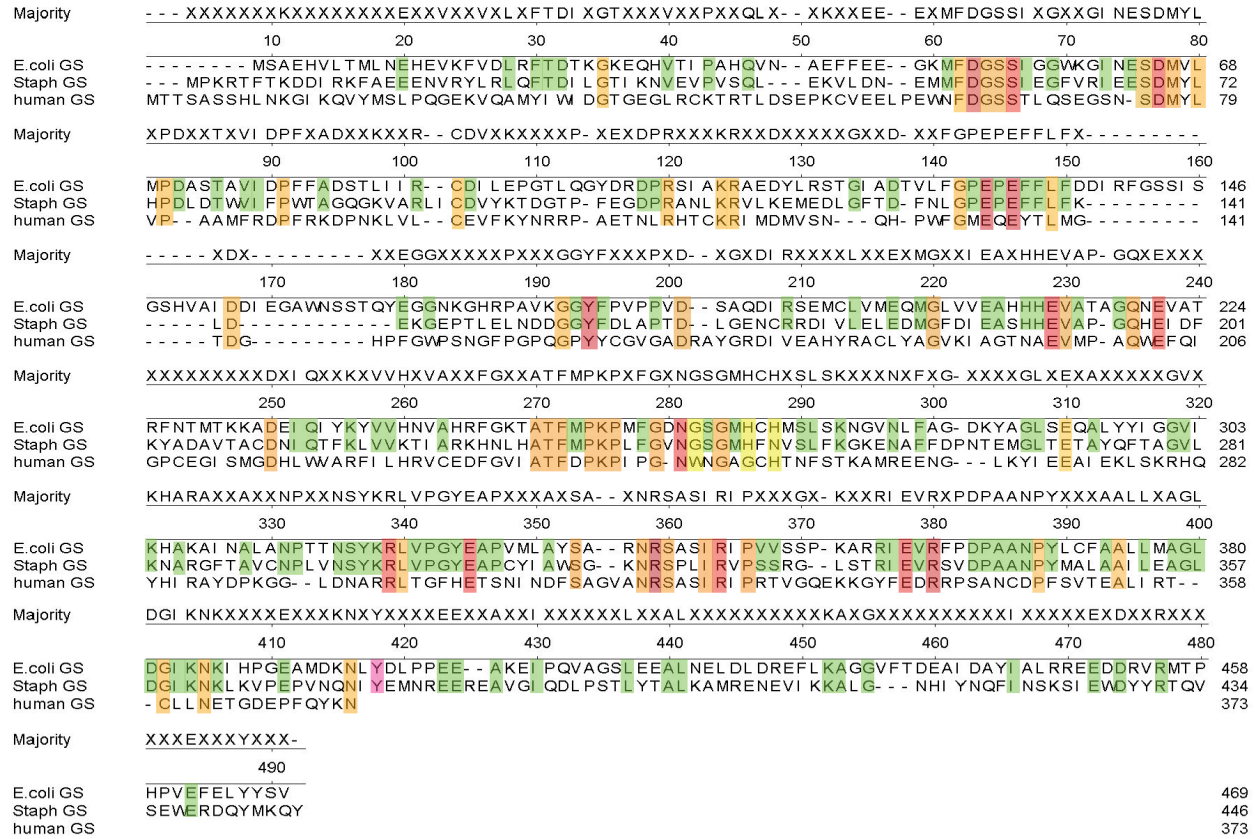
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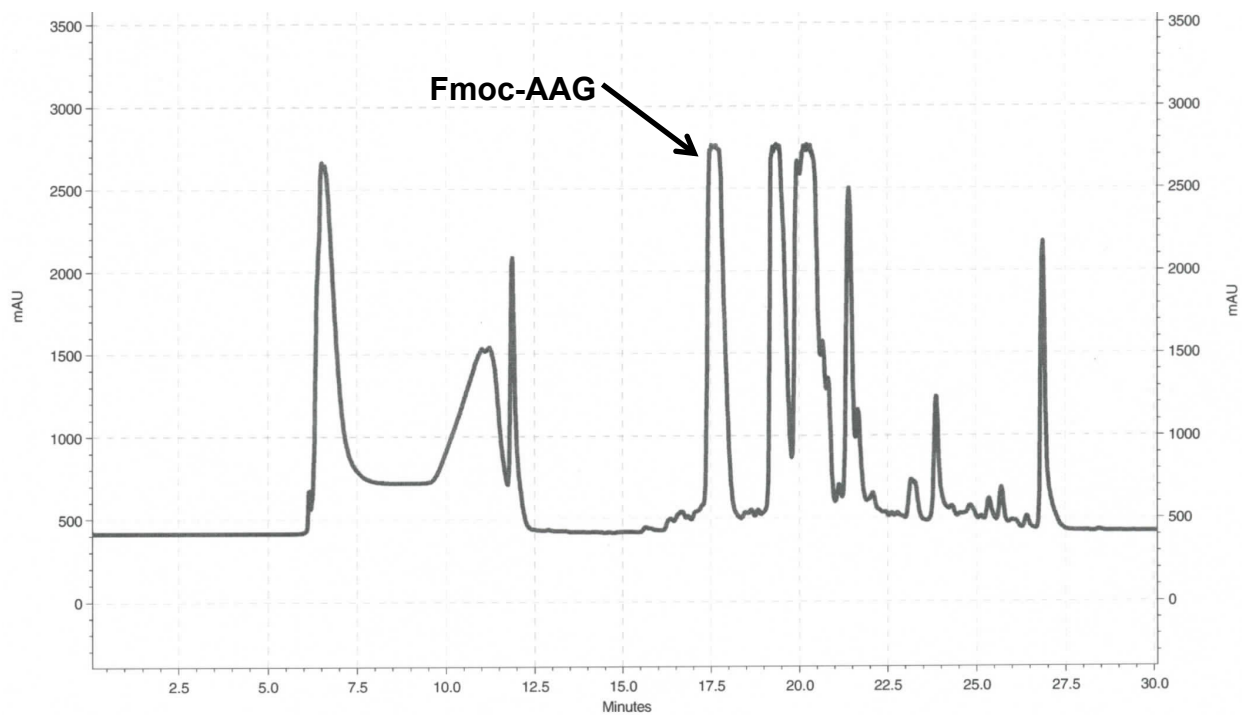
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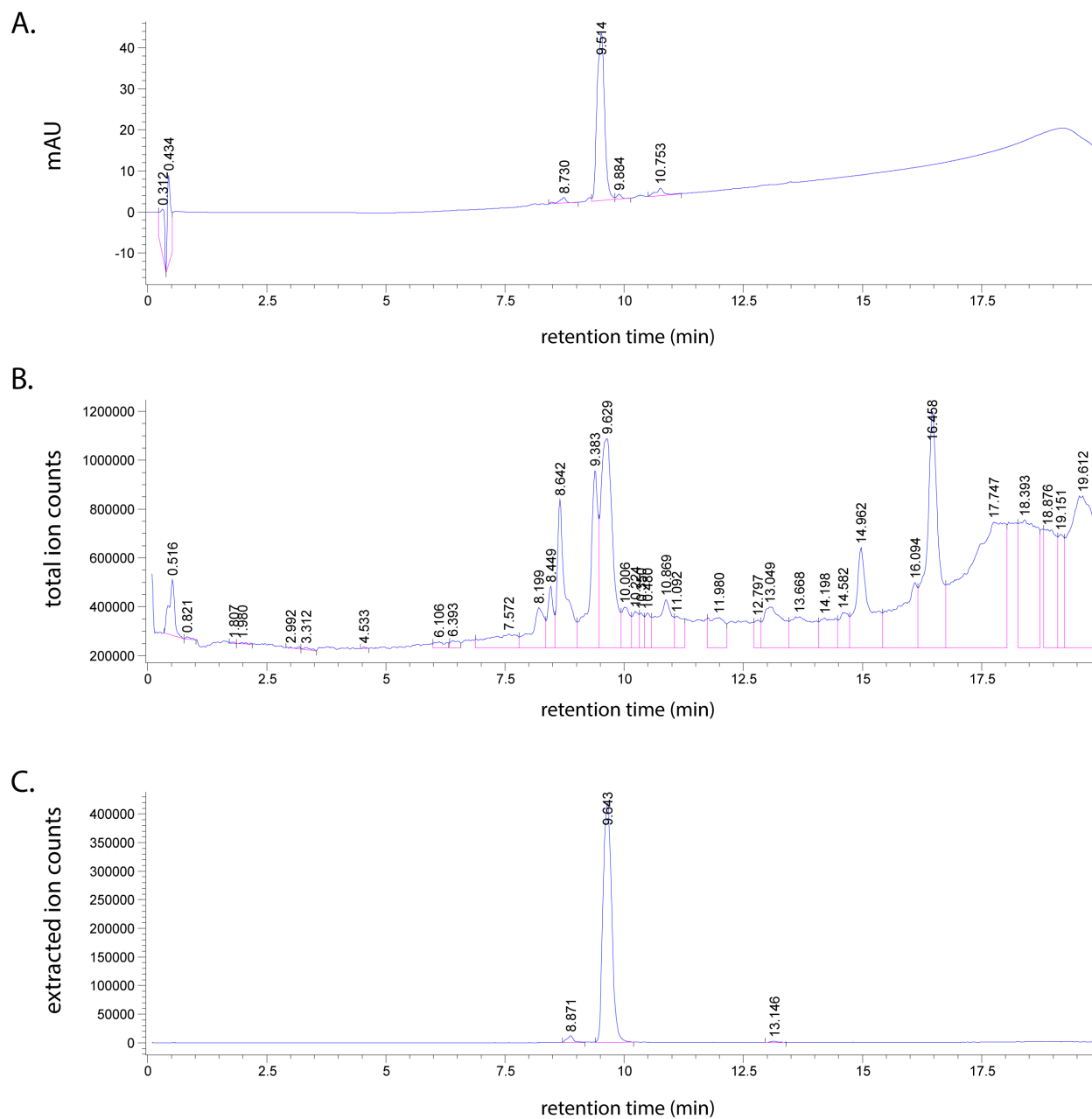
Supplementary Figure 5. High-resolution MS and MS/MS of Fmoc-TβL and FmocTβL-P_i.



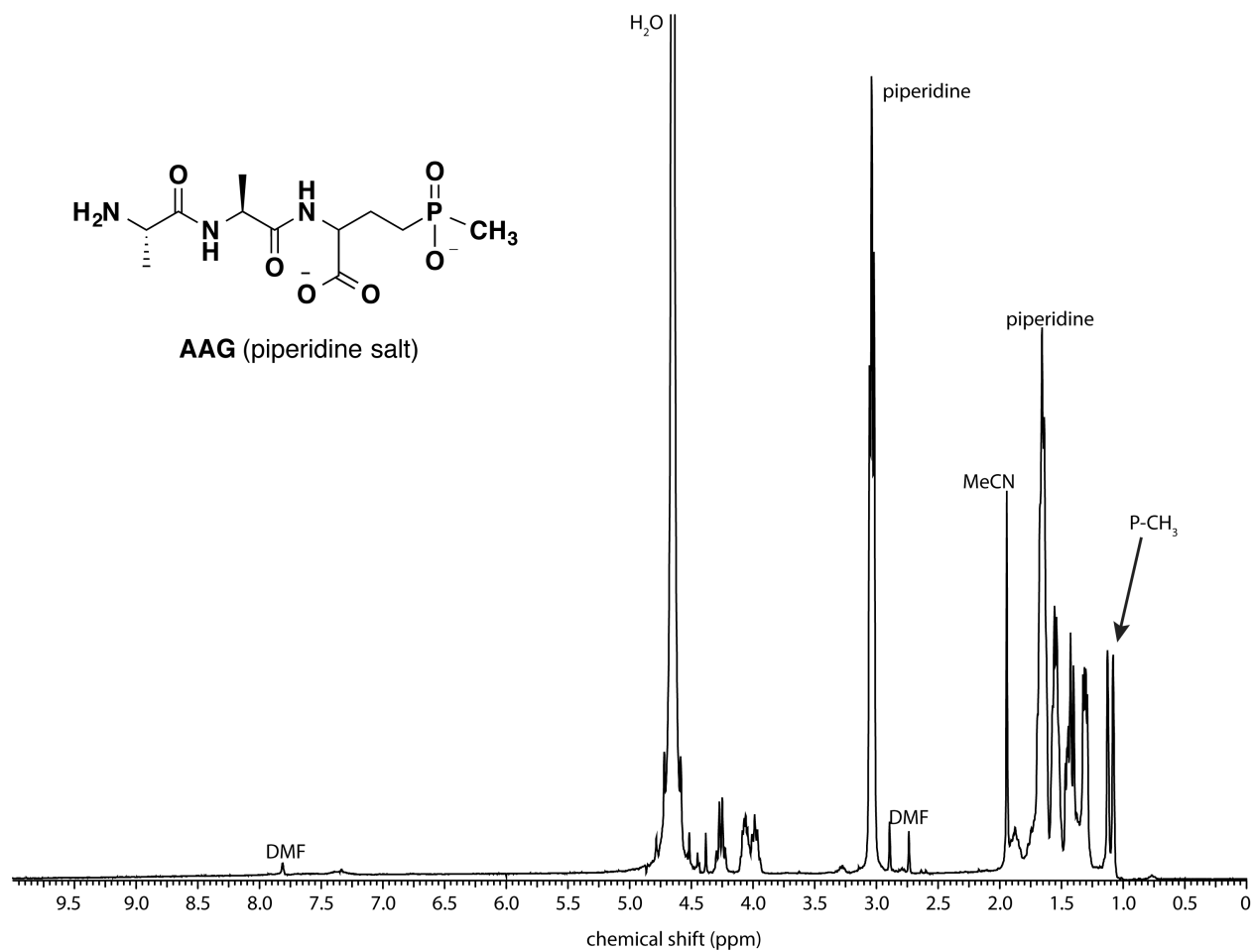
Supplementary Figure 6. Primary sequence alignments of *E. coli*, *S. aureus*, and Human GS performed using Clustal W.



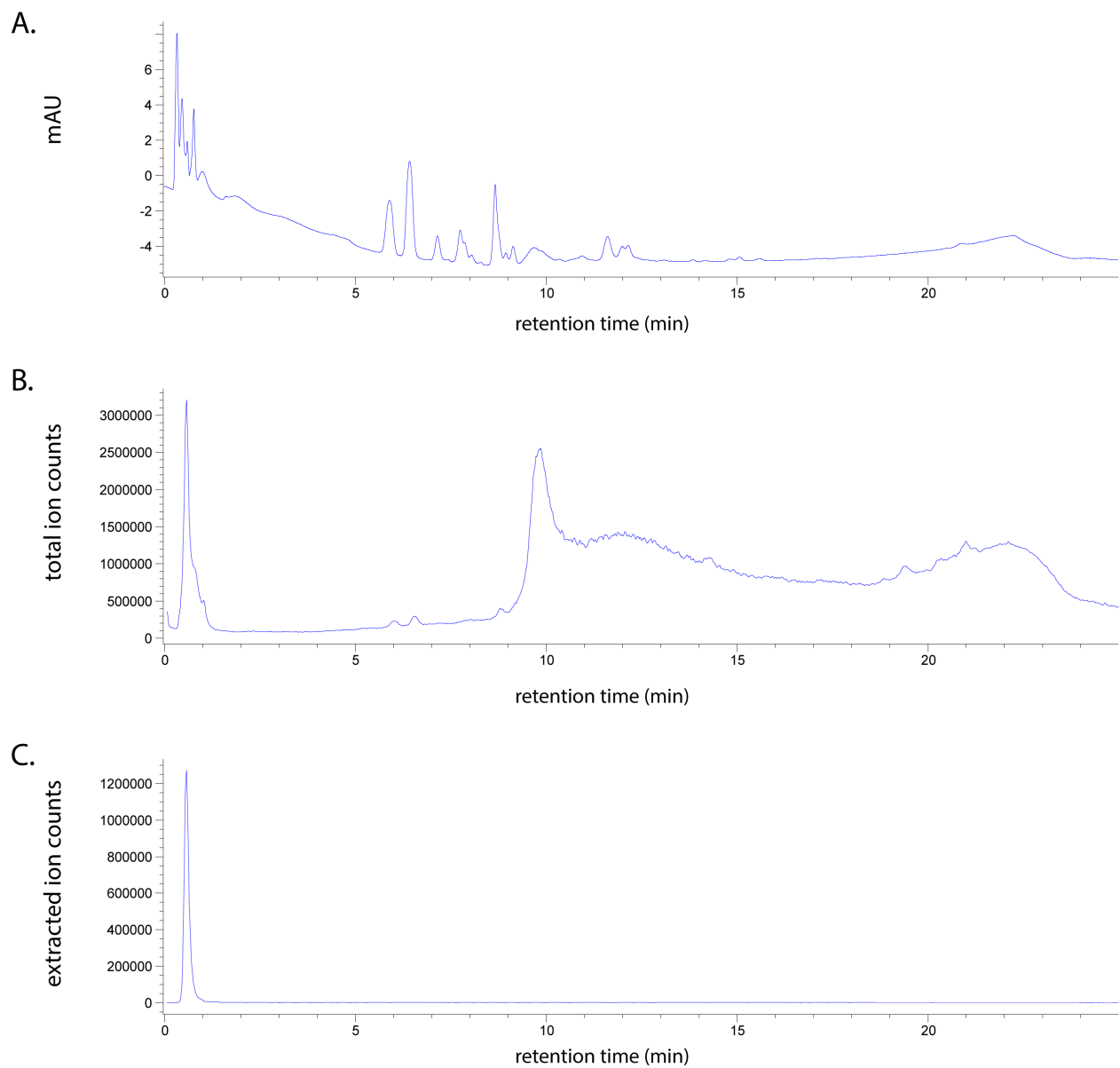
Supplementary Figure 7. Prep-HPLC chromatogram for purification of **Fmoc-AAG**. x-Axis represents retention time (min). y-Axis represents absorbance at 254 nm.



Supplementary Figure 8. LC-MS chromatograms of synthetic **Fmoc-AAG**. **(A)** Chromatogram of optical absorbance at 254 nm. **(B)** Total ion chromatogram (TIC). **(C)** Extracted ion chromatogram (EIC) for $m/z = 546.2$ corresponding to the $[M+H]^+$ ion of **Fmoc-AAG**.



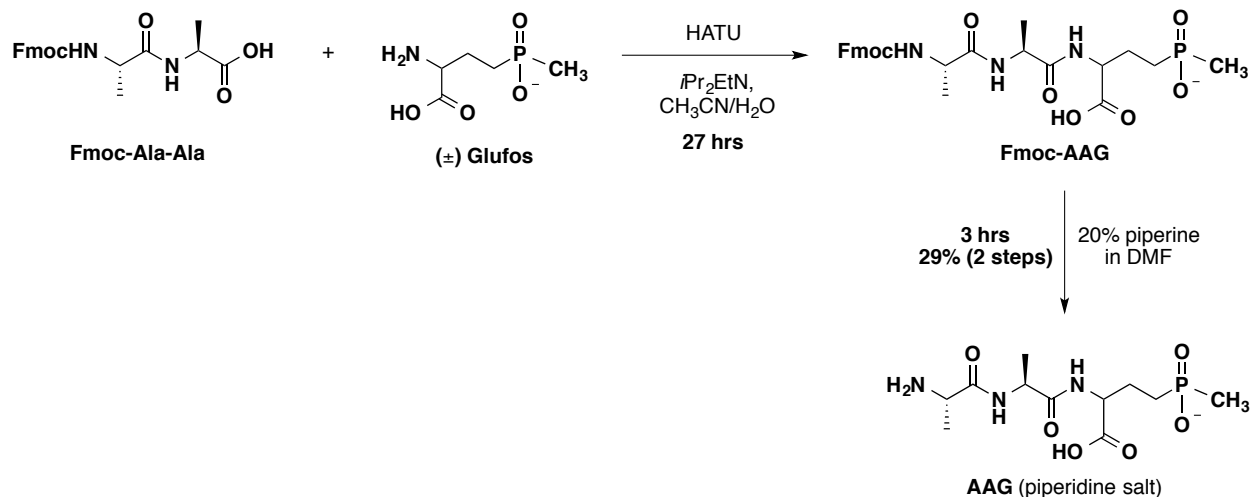
Supplementary Figure 9. ¹H-NMR (300 MHz) of AAG (piperidine salt) after Fmoc-deprotection in DMF. Spectrum was obtained in D₂O with an acetonitrile internal standard.



Supplementary Figure 10. LC-MS chromatograms of synthetic **AAG**. **(A)** Chromatogram of optical absorbance at 254 nm. **(B)** Total ion chromatogram (TIC). **(C)** Extracted ion chromatogram (EIC) for $m/z = 324.1$ corresponding to the $[M+H]^+$ ion of **AAG**.

III. Supplementary Schemes

AAG was synthesized in two steps from Fmoc-L-Ala-L-Ala and (\pm) **Glufos**. Fmoc-L-Ala-L-Ala (177 mg, 0.46 mmol) and *i*Pr₂EtN (0.45 mL) were dissolved in CH₃CN (20 mL) and H₂O (5 mL). The clear, yellow solution was stirred at rt for 20 min before addition of (\pm) **Glufos** (30 mg, 0.15 mmol). After 27 hrs, the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude material was dissolved in 40 mL of 50:50 CH₃CN:H₂O and purified by RP-C18 prep-HPLC using a linear gradient of 5% (B) to 95% (B) over 20 min. **Fmoc-AAG** eluted at ~17 min and the identity was confirmed by LC-MS (retention time = 9.7 min, MS (ESI) calculated for C₂₆H₃₃N₃O₈P: 546.2 [M+H]⁺, found 546.2). Fractions containing pure **Fmoc-AAG** were combined and concentrated under reduced pressure before treatment with 20 mL of 20% piperidine in DMF (formation of white vapor was observed). After 3 hrs at rt, the DMF/piperidine were removed via rotary evaporation to give the **AAG** piperidine salt (14.3 mg, 0.37 mmol) in 29% overall yield. **AAG** purity was analyzed by LC-MS (retention time = 0.7 min, MS (ESI) calculated for C₁₁H₂₃N₃O₆P: 324.1 [M+H]⁺, found 324.1) and ¹H-NMR (P-Me, 1.10 ppm, d, *J* = 13.4 Hz)^{2,3}.



Supplementary Scheme 1. Synthesis of L-Ala-L-Ala-Glufos (**AAG**).

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