

Supplementary Figure 1. The previously known biosynthetic pathway of gentamicin.



Supplementary Figure 2. SDS-PAGE of purified gentamicin biosynthetic enzymes. Gel is representative example of n>5 independent experiments.

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GenJ	:	MKPASGGRDPLR	PRSIPPTRLR	PRRTPPTTPT	VTVNTGGGS	QPREMWGEVM	SSGHHSIFVI	EPHRSADGARR	LTEDQL	:	78
KanJ	:	MALAA	PPGELT	LALTP				DDKT	LDPASL	:	26
FtmCx1	:		МТ	VDSKP				QLQRL	AADADV	:	18
PtlH	:		MT	NVTGD				YTDCT	PLLGDR	:	18
PAHX	:	MEGLRAAARLQIVLO	GHLGRPSAGA	VVAHPTSG			TISSA	SFHPQQFQYTI	DNNVLT	:	54
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GenJ	:	DHARSLLRVEGAVII	LPGIVPAELV	ARLEDTMLAD	LARREI	PLPTNFVTGH:	IQQDPPP	VPELLFP	EVL	:	145
KanJ	:	DRALAILAEHGILVI	LTGMLRTRLT	DGLRTAMLDD	LPEV-L-RQ	DVPTNFVPGH	VQQDPPVI	RESLLFP	DVL	:	95
FtmCx1	:	DRMCRLLEEDGAFII	LKGLLPFDVV	ESENRELDVQ	MAIP-PPKGH	RLLADKYPPH	FKYVPNVAT	CPTFRN	LAL	:	90
PtlH	:	AALDSFYEEHGYLFI	LRNVLDRDLV	KTVAEGMREGI	LVALGAADPH	ATLEELTIDS	FESVDEVAM	HDYVKYD	AFW	:	91
PAHX	:	LEGRKFYEENGFLVI	IKNLVPDADI	GRERNEFEKI	CRKEVKPLGI	TVMRDVTISK	SEYAPSEKM:	ITKVQDFQEDK	ELFRYC	:	134
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GenJ	:	LNESVYRVTTALLG	PDAKNAVYSG	NINLPGSLI	EQPVHLDEG-	HLWPGPTE	HPAYALEVD	IPLIDETVHNG	STEYWL	:	220
KanJ	:	LNPVVYQITHAVLG	ADARNAVYSG	NMNLPGSH	EQPVHLDEP-	HLWPG-ISH	HPPYCLCVD	VPLIDFTLENG	STEYWP	:	169
FtmCx1	:	INPVIHAICEAYFO	RTGDYWLSAA	FLREIESGMP	ACPEHRDDA	THPLMHYQPLE	APPVSLSVI	FPLTEFTEENG	ATEVIL	:	170
PtlH	:	NNPSTIKVFEQVFG	EPVFVFLSTT	IRYYPSCAGS	EEPSFHYLT	-FHCDGFYIG	PNCDFRTFW	IPLIRTTRES	GVALAD	:	170
PAHX	:	TLPEILKYVECFTG	PNIMAMHTML	INKPPDSGKK	TSRHPLHCD-	LHYFPFRI	PSDLIVCAW	TAMEHISRNNG	CLVVLP	:	210
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GenJ	:	GTHQLNPEGWYDDS	GRVETAALEQ	RRAVRPPCCF	AIPAGSAVI	RDARLWHRGTV	HSSSPR-PI	WAMTHYCOWF	ETPPIV	:	299
KanJ	:	GSHVLNPDECYDER	SCVLPAELER	RRAVAPPVRF	PIPV <mark>G</mark> SVVI	RDGRLWHRGVP	LSAAPR-PI	LLAMTHYTEWE	DMPPIQ	:	248
FtmCx1	:	GSHRWTEVGTP-ERI	DCAVLATMDP	GDVLIVRCRV	VHAGGGNRT	AGKPRRVVLA	FNSVQLTPI	FETYRTMPREM	VESMTV	:	249
PtlH	:	GSHRRGKRDHVLNES	SFRREGHPVR	GIPPTEVSED	EHLLHSPMEN	GDILLFHAHM	CHKSIPN	LSKDPRLMRMS	MDTRVQ	:	248
PAHX	:	GTHKGSLKPHDYPK	NEGGVNKMFH	GICDYEEN	KARVHLVMEN	GDTVFFHPLL:	IHGSGQN-K	FOGERKAISCH	FASADC	:	287
		G3H									
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GenJ	:	LPSAVRPWIESSPY	RTSATFTDEP	IDHLTSEHAF	AIC	: :	336				
KanJ	:	LPDTVKSWVDGSDR	HTHAHEVAGD	VDHLTGDHPF	AVR		285				
FtmCx1	:	LGORMLGWRTMKPSI	DPNIVGIN-L	IDDKRLENVL	CLKAADSPA-	: :	291				
PtlH	:	PAKSHRGENAMTPW	PESAKDASKG	IMAKITGTPT	DVE	: :	285				
PAHX	:	HYIDVKGTSQENIER	KEVVGIAHKF	FGAENSVNLK	DIWMFRARL	KGERTNL :	338				
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Supplementary Figure 3. Sequence alignment of GenJ with homologous other α -ketoglutarate dependent non-heme ion dioxygenases from *Streptomyces kanamyceticus* (KanJ: GenBank accession no. Q6L732), *Aspergillus fumigatus* (Ftm0x1: Q4WAW9.1), *Streptomyces avermitilis* (PtIH: BAC70702.2), *Homo sapiens* (PAHX: NP_006205.1). Multiple alignment of each sequence was carried out by clustalX. The highly conserved residues are represented in yellow boxes and Fe(II)-dependent binding motif HXD...H was marked in red.

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GenK2	:			1	MPS	RSNER	RSPGG	RTRP	AGDR	ADA	ERKS	LVK	TLV	⊽ <mark>GG</mark>	T <mark>G</mark> TV	GPG	VVR	GLVI	DAGH	DVV	VAH	IR	GE	:	63
KanK	:			1	MSS	QLALR	GP	EL	SANL	CKP	E-EL	TLR	VLV	T <mark>GG</mark>	SGNV	GVG	VVR	ALNA	AARH	HVV	VAS	R	GY	:	57
Tter 1570	:											-MR	VLV	VGG	TGNI	STG	VIK	YLLE	EFGH	DVT	VEN	IR	GV	:	34
ANT 08180	:	MEREVREN	IVE	FSRI	HCL	KKYAR	MDISY	SQWI	KSFG	KFF	YWRD	TMK	VCV	VGG	SGNI	STS	IVR	LLVS	SLGH	EVY	CFN	IR	GK	:	76
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KanK	:	SPALLPEO	VR.	AVR	LER	TEPD-	AYT	RLVA	AEKP	DAV	IDLI	CHD	AAD	AAV	TLRA	CAG	VD-	RVV	VVSS	VTA	AG-	PAT	TTPV	:	132
Tter 1570	:	TKRPLPKE	VK	VIH	GDR	HDLN-	TFE	KTMQ	ENKF	DAA	IDMI	CYT	PEE	AES	DLRA	FRD	VK-	HFI	IVST	VAV	FGG	EPA	EYPI	:	110
ANT 08180	:	S-RPVPEC	AK	TLT	GDR	NDRE-	TFE	KMMQ	SYHF	DAA	IDMM	CFT	RED	AES	SVRA	FRG	vs-	HEV	CST	VCT	YGI	DYD	VILEV	:	151
SSEG 08028	:	AEAPEWHE	IVR	QVV	ADR	EQEDR	EGTEG	DRVA	RLEP	DAV	IDLV	CFT	LDS	ATA	LVER	LRG	EAG	HLVH	HCGS	VWR	HG-	PAD	KLPI	:	117
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KanK	:	TEATAAPE	IS	EYG	IDK	LAVEE	TVRAA	WADG	TSCA	LLV	RLGA	VYR	LGA	DLD	GCLA	-ED	GCW	LAHA	AAAG	APA	VLA	DDG	AARW	:	211
Tter 1570	:	NENTRRNI	VI	EYSI	RNK	VAADN	VFMNA	YKEY	GFPV	TIF	MPAC	TWG	YOD	GIV	RCLG	-GG	NIW	IDR	VRKG	LPI	LVI	HEGI	WIIN	:	189
ANT 08180	:	TEDHPLRE	TIC	PYG	RGK	VEADH	VFLEA	YHRE	GFPV	TII	KPSI	TYG	PIM	GLP	RCIA	-WD	FSW	IDR	TRKG	KPI	VVC	GDGI	NALH	:	230
SSEG 08028	:	SEATGTPE	VG	EYG	ICK	DRIAR	MLKEE	TASG	GLVT	TSL	HPGH	IVG	PGW	HPI	GPLG	SLD	PAV	WYTI	LSAG	CSL	KVE	GSG	VELM	:	197
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KanK	:	NLLHADDA	GA	ALA	ELL	AN-DR	ARGVL	VHLA	SRHP	LPW	RELY	ERV	HHA	LGR	PFNP	VSV	PAE	WAAH	EQLE	DAE	FLA	ETS	RWD	:	289
Tter 1570	:	AHCHSDD	GL	GIA	AAV	GR-ER	CIGES	YIIT	RWDM	KTW	RDYH	EEI.	AWS	LGQ	KANL	VDA	PAE	LLIN	KVWP	EGT	WLI	ASE	SRWN	:	268
ANT 08180	:	GFLHVDD	AP	AFV	YVL	GR-ER	CLGQV	YNMV	ARGE	TTW	AEFH	RTA	AKV	FGK	EIEL	VGI	PFA	DLK	RMNV	PEF	GIC	EEI	FAHH	:	309
SSEG 08028	:	HHVHADD	AQ.	AFEI	RAV	EHRDA	AAGED	FTIV	APTA	LNV	RGYA	RIA	AGW	FGR	TASL	EPV	TWE	EFR	SITA	PEH	AEA	SWEI	HLHR	:	277
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KanK	:	CVFDLGLI	DR	LAP	SYC	ERGGP	SR-VT	EVAL	WLIR	CGR	VGDA	ELG	AEI	CEL	PARL	AAV	RTA	PGL	7 :	352					
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ANT 08180	:	VIYSAEKI	FR	DVPI	EFC	PRIRL	EEGMA	CVFE	AMER	EGR	IPNS	DAL	KWE	DDI	IARW	KKI	YC-		- :	368					
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Supplementary Figure 4. Sequence alignment of GenK2 with homologous other NAD/NADP dependent dehydrogenases/reductases from *S. kanamyceticus* (KanK: GenBank accession no. Q2MFU6), *Thermobaculum terenum* ATCC BAA-198 (Tter_1570: ACZ42476), *Anaerolinea thermophile* UNI-1 (ANT_08180: BAJ62852), *Streptomyces sviceus* ATCC 29083 (SSEG_08028: EDY61449). Rossmann fold GGXGXXG NAD/NADP binding motif was conserved in yellow boxes.



Supplementary Figure 5. GenJ-GenK2 reaction with kanamycin B (2). (a) MS/MS fragmentation pattern of kanamycin A (4). (b) The UPLC-qTOF-HR-MS chromatogram selected for m/z = 485.2453 and MS/MS spectra of enzymatically synthesized kanamycin A. The UPLC chromatogram and MS spectrum shown are representative examples of n>5 independent experiments.







Supplementary Figure 6. The structural determination of 2'-oxo-JI-20A, 2'-oxo-6'AGA, 2'-oxo-6'AGA2, 2'-oxo-GX2, 2'-oxo-GA, and 2'-oxo-GA2. MS/MS fragmentation patterns and MS/MS spectra of enzymatically synthesized (a) 2'-oxo-JI-20A, (b) 2'-oxo-6'AGA, (c) 2'-oxo-6'AGA2, (d) 2'-oxo-GX2, (e) 2'-oxo-GA, and (f) 2'-oxo-GA2, respectively. The spectra shown are representative examples of n>5 independent experiments.



Supplementary Figure 7. ESI-MS spectra of GenJ reaction with JI-20A (17) in the presence of (a) NaBH₄, (b) NaBD₄, and (c) phenylhydrazine. NaBH₄ reduction: HR-MS  $C_{37}H_{44}N_{10}O_{22}$  [M+H]⁺ calc. 981.2704, obs. 981.2686^[a]; NaBD₄ reduction: HR-MS  $C_{37}H_{43}DN_{10}O_{22}$  [M+H]⁺ calc. 982.2767, obs. 982.2716^[a]; phenylhydrazine treatment: HR-MS  $C_{25}H_{42}N_6O_9$  [M+Na]⁺ calc. 593.2905, obs. 593.2931. The spectra shown are representative examples of n>3 independent experiments. (^[a] All spectra were about dinitrophenyl (DNP) derivatives.)



Supplementary Figure 8. GenJ-GenK2 reaction with  $[2'-{}^{2}H]$ -JI-20A (37). (a) ESI-MS spectra of the GenJ-GenK2 reaction with  $[2'-{}^{2}H]$ -JI-20A. (b) Expansion of the product. The spectra shown are representative examples of n>3 independent experiments. (All spectra were about dinitrophenyl (DNP) derivatives.)



Supplementary Figure 9. ESI-MS spectra of GenJ reaction with (a)  ${}^{16}O_2/H_2{}^{16}O$ , (b)  ${}^{18}O_2/H_2{}^{16}O$ , (c)  ${}^{16}O_2/H_2{}^{18}O$ , and (d)  ${}^{18}O_2/H_2{}^{18}O$ . The spectra shown are representative examples of n>3 independent experiments. (All spectra were about dinitrophenyl (DNP) derivatives.)



**Supplementary Figure 10. Transcriptional analysis of six gentamicin biosynthetic genes and** *genJ-genK2.* (a) Organization of gentamicin biosynthetic gene cluster from *Micromonospora echinospora* ATCC 15835. (b) Total RNAs were isolated from *M. echinospora* harvested after 60 h, 72 h, 84 h, and 96 h of cultivation. 16S rRNA gene was used as a control. Representative RT-PCR from at least three independent experiments are shown.



Supplementary Figure 11. Topological diagram of GenB1. The flanking domain and PLPbinding domain are shown in dark and light green, respectively. Secondary structure elements are indicated with helices and strands shown as cylinders and arrows, respectively. The connecting loop between  $\alpha$ 9 and  $\alpha$ 10 participating in the constitution of the active site of the other monomer is colored magenta and N-/C-termini are indicated by circles.





Supplementary Figure 12. Close-up view of the active site in holo-GenB1. 2*F*o-*F*c omit map (contoured at 1.0  $\sigma$ ) for the internal-aldimine formed between PLP (white) and Lys232 (green) shown in light blue mesh with ball-and-stick models. The electron density map was prepared by simulated annealing refinement of the final model with omission of PLP. Residues constituting the PLP-binding site are shown as green sticks. A magnesium ion and water molecules are indicated by gray and red spheres, respectively. Hydrogen bonds and ionic interactions are indicated by black dashed lines.



Supplementary Figure 13. Close-up view of the active site of holo-GenB1 in complex with NM (29). 2*F*o-*F*c omit map (contoured at 1.0  $\sigma$ ) for NM shown in light blue mesh with balland-stick models (left). Residues interacting with PLP and NM are shown as green sticks. Different conformations of Lys232 in each monomer are emphasized using thicker sticks colored in green and magenta, respectively. The view is rotated 70° for clarity, and the Schiff base intermediate formed between PLP and NM are shown (right). Atoms forming a covalent linkage are marked with labels (carbon (6'C) and nitrogen (6'N) of NM, and carbon (C4A) of PLP). Hydrogen bonds and ionic interactions are indicated by black dashed lines.



Supplementary Figure 14. Close-up view of the active site of holo-GenB1 in complex with JI-20A (17). 2*F*o-*F*c omit map (contoured at 1.0  $\sigma$ ) for JI-20A shown in light blue mesh with ball-and-stick models (left). Residues interacting with JI-20A are shown as green sticks. Residues involved in hydrophobic contacts (within 5Å) are presented by sticks. The moieties of ring III are labeled in gray boxes (right). The C-terminus at the methyl pocket is shown as a red ribbon model. For brevity, PLP is not shown in this figure. Hydrogen bonds and ionic interactions are indicated by black dashed lines.



**Supplementary Figure 15. Relative enzymatic activities of GenB1 mutants.** The Y-axis represents the C6'-amination activity toward GX2 (**15**) when the wild-type and the mutant proteins of GenB1 were respectively incubated with GenQ and GX2. Data are expressed as means  $(n=3) \pm$  standard deviations from three independent experiments.



Supplementary Figure 16. The flipping of ring II in JI-20A (17). NM (29) (gray) and JI-20A (black) bound to GenB1 are shown as stick models (left and right). The three sugar rings of JI-20A are labeled in red Roman Numerals (I-III). Two residues (Try132 and Asp395) forming the C-H/ $\pi$  stacking and charge interactions with ring II are shown as green sticks. Orange-colored JI-20A in the right is artificially generated by rotating black-colored JI-20A about the linkage between ring I-II to match the ring II of JI-20A with that of NM (left). Steric clash between the rotated JI-20A and the active site is indicated by a yellow arrow. Hydrogen bonds and ionic interactions are indicated by black dashed lines.



Supplementary Figure 17. Cytotoxicity of gentamicin intermediates against three different mammalian renal cell lines. (a)  $LD_{50}$  ( $\mu$ M) of G418 (16), GA2 analogs (GA2 (13), 6'AGA2 (34), 6'A2'DGA2 (31), and 2'DGA2 (25)), GA analogs (GA (14), 6'AGA (35), 6'A2'DGA (32), and 2'DGA (26)), and GX2 analogs (GX2 (15), JI-20A (17), GB (8), and 2'DGX2 (27)) against HEK-293 cells. (b)  $LD_{50}$  ( $\mu$ M) of G418, GA2 analogs, GA analogs, and GX2 analogs against LLC-PK1 cells. (c)  $LD_{50}$  ( $\mu$ M) of G418, GA2 analogs, GA analogs, and GX2 analogs

against COS-7 cells. Data were expressed as means  $(n=4) \pm$  standard deviations and tested for significance using paired or unpaired two-tailed t-test with analysis of variance as appropriate. n indicates biologically independent experiments. Results with P<0.01 were considered significant. *P<0.01 vs G418; *P<0.01 vs series. The precise p-values are: (a) between 6'AGA2-treated HEK-293 samples and G418-treated samples: 1e-5; between 2'DGA2-treated samples and G418-treated samples: 1e-7; between 6'AGA-treated samples and G418-treated samples: 1e-5; between 2'DGA-treated samples and G418-treated samples: 2e-7; between JI-20A-treated samples and G418-treated samples: 1e-4; between 2'DGX2treated samples and G418-treated samples: 2e-8; (b) between 2'DGA2-treated LLC-PK1 samples and G418-treated samples: 2e-7; between 2'DGA-treated samples and G418-treated samples: 1e-8; between GB-treated samples and G418-treated samples: 2e-4; between 2'DGX2-treated samples and G418-treated samples: 2e-4; between 2'DGX2-treated samples and G418-treated samples: 2e-4; between 2'DGX2-treated samples and G418-treated samples: 2e-8; (c) between 2'DGA2-treated COS-7 samples and G418-treated samples: 1e-8; between 2'DGA-treated samples and G418treated samples: 2e-7; between 2'DGX2-treated samples and G418treated samples: 2e-7; between 2'DGA-treated samples and G418treated samples: 1e-8; between 2'DGA-treated samples and G418treated samples: 2e-7; between 2'DGX2-treated samples and G418-treated samples and G418-treated samples: 1e-7.



Supplementary Figure 18. Comparative PTC read-through activity of gentamicin intermediates against primary human cystic fibrosis bronchial epithelial cells. G418 (16), GA2 analogs (GA2 (13), 6'AGA2 (34), 6'A2'DGA2 (31), and 2'DGA2 (25)), GA analogs (GA (14), 6'AGA (35), 6'A2'DGA (32), and 2'DGA (26)), and GX2 analogs (GX2 (15), JI-20A (17), GB (8), and 2'DGX2 (27)) were treated at 25  $\mu$ M. The ratio of full-length to truncated CFTR expressed in the gentamicin intermediates-exposed cells was determined by size exclusion chromatography with MS, described hereinabove. Data were expressed as means (n=3)  $\pm$  standard deviations and tested for significance using paired or unpaired two-tailed t-test with analysis of variance as appropriate. n indicates biologically independent experiments. Results with P<0.01 were considered significant. *P<0.01 vs G418. Below are specific p-values between treatments: between JI-20A-treated HEK293 samples and G418-treated samples: 1e-7; between GB-treated samples and G418-treated samples: 2e-6.



Supplementary Figure 19. Stereo view of the superimposed C $\alpha$  tracing of GenB1 (green), RbmB (slat: PDB entry 5W70), and BtrR (salmon: PDB entry 5W71). JI-20A (17) bound to the active site of GenB1 is shown as ball and stick models.



**Supplementary Figure 20. Structure-based sequence alignments of GenB1, BtrR, and RbmB.** Secondary structure assignments in the top and bottom correspond to GenB1 and RbmB, respectively. Identical residues are highlighted with red backgrounds and conserved residues are indicated by red letters in blue boxes. C-terminal extensions observed in BtrR and RbmB are highlighted in yellow backgrounds. Expasy numbers of the aligned GenB1, BtrR, and RbmB are as follows: GenB1 from *M. echinospora* (Q70KD9), BtrR from *Bacillus circulans* (Q8G8Y2), and RbmB from *Streptomyces ribosidificus* (Q4R0W2). This figure is generated by using ESPript.



Supplementary Figure 21. Comparison of active sites between GenB1 and RbmB. Key residues determining the size and shape of the active site for JI-20A (17) (black) and DOS (10) (slat) are shown as stick models (left and middle). Residues (Tyr132 in GenB1 and Trp102 in RbmB (PDB entry 5W70)) forming the aromatic platform are emphasized using thicker sticks. Color-coding for PLPs is identical to their linked products. Superposition of the active sites between holo-GenB1 complexed with JI-20A and holo-RbmB complexed with DOS is shown as ribbon and stick model (right). For clarity, GenB1 is not shown. Clash of JI-20A with the active site of RmbB clearly shows that the active site of RbmB cannot accommodate JI-20A. The crystal structures of BtrR and RbmB are superposed with rmsd of 1.89 Å for 358 corresponding C $\alpha$  atoms. Due to this high structural resemblance, BtrR is not presented in this figure for brevity.



Supplementary Figure 22. General transamination reaction mechanism. This figure shows the transfer of an amino group in a donor substrate to PLP to form PMP. (a) At the resting state in transaminases, the C4' atom of PLP is linked to the ε-amino group of a lysine residue through a Schiff base (internal aldimine). (b) The amino nitrogen atom of the incoming donor substrate replaces the lysine nitrogen atom to form the external aldimine. (c) The displaced lysine residue abstracts a proton from the  $C_{\alpha}$  atom in the donor substrate and attaches the proton to the C4' atom of PLP, which changes the location of the Schiff base: the C4'=N Schiff base is changed to the C_a=N Schiff base in the external aldimine intermediate to form planar quinonoid. (d) The hydrolysis of the  $C_{\alpha}=N$  bond results in the formation of the pyridoxamine phosphate (PMP). The next transfer of the amino group in PMP to an acceptor molecule occurs in the exact reversal way. The carbonyl carbon of the acceptor substrate is attacked by the amino group at the C4' atom of PMP to form the external aldimine. This time the same lysine residue transfers a proton from the C4' atom to the carbonyl carbon of the acceptor substrate to generate a Schiff base between the C4' atom and the amino group. The hydrolysis of this Schiff base gives rise to an aminated product. K232 indicates the lysine residues for proton transfer in GenB1. The  $C_{\alpha}$  proton is highlighted in red.

(a)

Supplementary Table 1. Incorporation of ¹⁸O into JI-20A (17) from molecular ¹⁸O₂ and  $H_2^{18}O$  during the GenJ reaction. Representative data from n=3 independent experiments are shown.

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Conditions	<i>m/z</i> 979	<i>m/z</i> 980	<i>m/z</i> 981	<i>m/z</i> 982	Incorporation [%]
Calc.	100	45.0	14.4	3.5	
¹⁶ O ₂ /H ₂ ¹⁶ O	100	42.5	14.0	3.1	0
¹⁸ O ₂ /H ₂ ¹⁶ O	100	42.3	21.9	6.8	7.5
¹⁶ O ₂ /H ₂ ¹⁸ O	100	51.9	31.7	9.4	17.3
¹⁸ O ₂ /H ₂ ¹⁸ O	100	56.5	46.6	18.2	32.1

All spectra were about dinitrophenyl (DNP) derivatives.

	GenB1_Se	GenB1_PLP	GenB1_ PLP/NM (29)	GenB1_ PLP/JI-20A (17)
Data collection				· ·
X-ray source	PLS_5C	PLS_7A	PLS_5C	PLS_7A
Wavelength (Å)	Peak_0.97930	1.00003	0.97960	0.97934
Space group	P212121	P212121	P212121	P212121
Cell dimensions				
a, b, c (Å)	76.27, 87.61, 113.07	77.14, 88.01, 116.14	77.85, 89.16, 117.36	77.77, 88.69, 116.85
α, β, γ (°)	90, 90, 90	90, 90, 90	90, 90, 90	90, 90, 90
Resolution (Å)	50-1.80 (1.83-1.80) [*]	50-1.70 (1.73-1.70)	50-1.76 (1.79-1.76)	50-1.40 (1.42-1.40)
R _{merge} (%)	0.113 (0.239)	0.055 (0.241)	0.069 (0.299)	0.052 (0.325)
//σ/	15.9 (8.4)	34.0 (3.6)	28.6 (4.2)	37.1 (3.0)
Completeness (%)	97.9 (91.6)	97.2 (82.4)	92.2 (59.0)	92.0 (60.7)
Redundancy	8.3 (5.1)	9.4 (4.0)	9.5 (4.9)	9.8 (4.5)
Refinement				
Resolution (Å)		33.80-1.70	32.30-1.76	27.39-1.40
No. reflections		84719	74621	144352
Rwork / Rfree (%)		0.160/0.192	0.183/0.230	0.172/0.193
No. atoms				
Protein		6212	6212	6212
Ligand/ion		32	74	96
Water		684	626	967
Average <i>B</i> -factor (Ų)				
Protein		14.65	19.79	17.59
Ligand/ion		9.70	21.03	26.95
Water		21.09	26.04	28.21
R.m.s deviations				
Bond lengths (Å)		0.012	0.007	0.009
Bond angles (°)		1.13	0.89	0.75

Supplementary Table 2. Crystallographic data and Refinement statistics of GenB1 from *M. echinospora* 

Each dataset was collected from a single crystal. *Values in parentheses are for highest-resolution shell.

gentamicin intermediates		MIC (µg/mℓ)										
			Туре	strain		Clinical isolate						
		<i>E. faecalis</i> ATCC 29212	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> ATCC 27853	S. aureus ATCC 29213	<i>E. coli</i> ATCC 25922	<i>E. faecalis</i> CCARM 5025	P. aeruginosa CCARM 2002	<i>S. aureus</i> CCARM 3180	<i>E. coli</i> CCARM 1085			
gentamicin (QC	2)	16	1–2	1	0.5–1	>128	>128	>128	16			
GA2 analogs	GA2	>128	>128	>128	>128	>128	>128	>128	>128			
	6'AGA2	>128	>128	>128	64	>128	>128	>128	>128			
	6'A2'DGA2	>128	>128	>128	>128	>128	>128	>128	>128			
	2'DGA2	>128	>128	>128	>128	>128	>128	>128	>128			
GA analogs	GA	>128	>128	128	128	>128	>128	>128	>128			
	6'AGA	>128	>128	8	8	>128	>128	>128	>128			
	6'A2'DGA	>128	>128	16	16	>128	>128	>128	>128			
	2'DGA	>128	>128	>128	>128	>128	>128	>128	>128			
GX2 analogs	GX2	>128	>128	32	32	>128	>128	>128	>128			
	JI-20A	>128	>128	2	1	>128	>128	>128	16			
	GB	>128	>128	4	4	>128	>128	>128	32			
	2'DGX2	>128	>128	>128	>128	>128	>128	>128	>128			

Supplementary Table 3. Antibacterial activity of gentamicin biosynthetic intermediates. Representative data from n=3 independent experiments are shown.

MIC: minimal inhibitory concentration. Type strains and clinical isolates were obtained from the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC, USA) and the Culture Collection of Antimicrobial Resistant Microbes (CCARM, Republic of Korea), respectively.

Strain/Plasmid	Relevant characteristics	Reference
Escherichia coli		
DH5a	Host for general cloning	New England Biolabs
BL21(DE3)	Host for recombinant protein expression	Novagen
BL21(DE3)pLysS	Host for recombinant protein expression	Novagen
ArcticExpress(DE3)	Host for recombinant protein expression	Agilent Technologies
Rosetta gami ^{™2} (DE3)	Host for recombinant protein expression	Novagen
ArcticExpress(DE3)/pGENM1	Strain for GenM1 protein expression	This study
BL21(DE3)/pGEND2	Strain for GenD2 protein expression	This study
BL21(DE3)pLysS/pGENS2	Strain for GenS2 protein expression	This study
BL21(DE3)/pGENN	Strain for GenN protein expression	This study
BL21(DE3)pLysS/pGEND1	Strain for GenD1 protein expression	This study
Rosetta gami ^{™2} (DE3)/pGENQ	Strain for GenQ protein expression	This study
BL21(DE3)pLysS/pGENB1	Strain for GenB1 protein expression	This study
BL21(DE3)/pGENJ	Strain for GenJ protein expression	This study
BL21(DE3)/pGENK2	Strain for GenK2 protein expression	This study
BL21(DE3)/pGENB1_D345L	Strain for Asp345 to Leu345 mutant of GenB1 (D345L)	This study
BL21(DE3)/pGENB1_D395L	Strain for Asp395 to Leu395 mutant of GenB1 (D395L)	This study

## Supplementary Table 4. List of bacterial strains and plasmids used in this study

BL21(DE3)/pGENB1_W391A	Strain for Trp391 to Ala391 mutant of GenB1 (W391A)	This study
BL21(DE3)/pGENB1_W415A	Strain for Trp415 to Ala415 mutant of GenB1 (W415A)	This study
Streptomyces venezuelae		
ATCC 15439	Host for recombinant protein expression	Song, J.Y. <i>et al.</i> ¹
S. venezuelae/pGENM2	Strain for GenM2 protein expression	This study
Micromonospora echinospora		
ATCC 15835	Gentamicin producing wild-type strain	Weinstein, M.J. <i>et al</i> . ²
Plasmid		
pGEM-Teasy	PCR fragment cloning vector	Promega
pET15b, pET28a	E. coli protein expression vector	Novagen
pJ404	E. coli protein expression vector	DNA2.0
pSE34	pWHM3 with PermE* promoter	Smirnova, N. & Reynolds, K.A. ³
pGENM1	N,C-terminal His-tagged GenM1 expression plasmid based on pET28a(+)	This study
pGENM2	N,C-terminal His-tagged GenM2 expression plasmid based on pSE34	This study
pGEND2	N-terminal His-tagged GenD2 expression plasmid based on pJ404	This study
pGENS2	N-terminal His-tagged GenS2 expression plasmid based on pET15b(+)	This study
pGENN	N-terminal His-tagged GenN expression plasmid based on pJ404	This study
pGEND1	N-terminal His-tagged GenD1 expression plasmid based on pET15b(+)	This study
pGENQ	N-terminal His-tagged GenQ expression plasmid based on pET28a(+)	This study

pGENB1	N-terminal His-tagged GenB1 expression plasmid based on pET15b(+)	This study
pGENJ	N-terminal His-tagged GenJ expression plasmid based on pET28a(+)	This study
pGENK2	N,C-terminal His-tagged GenK2 expression plasmid based on pET28a(+)	This study
pGENB1_D345L	N-terminal His-tagged GenB1_D345L mutant expression plasmid based on pET15b(+)	This study
pGENB1_D395L	N-terminal His-tagged GenB1_D395L mutant expression plasmid based on pET15b(+)	This study
pGENB1_W391A	N-terminal His-tagged GenB1_W391A mutant expression plasmid based on pET15b(+)	This study
pGENB1_W415A	N-terminal His-tagged GenB1_W415A mutant expression plasmid based on pET15b(+)	This study

Primer	Oligonucleotide sequences (5' to 3', restriction site underlined)	Description
GenM2-F	ATAT <u>CATATG</u> GGCGGCATGCACGTGTTG	For protein expression
GenM2-R	ATAG <u>AAGCTT</u> GGACTCCTCCATGAGGGA	For protein expression
GenQ-F	CCCAACCCGG <u>CATATG</u> CTCATCAGCGTTTC	For protein expression
GenQ-R	TTGCCGGCACC <u>GAATTC</u> GATGGTCATCGTG	For protein expression
GenJ-F	AATCT <u>CATATG</u> GTGA AGCCGGCCTCC	For protein expression
GenJ-R	CAGGT <u>CTCGAG</u> TCATTGGATCGCG	For protein expression
GenK2-F	GCC <u>CATATG</u> CCTTCGCGATCCAAT	For protein expression
GenK2-R	TAT <u>CTCGAG</u> CGACGACCCGTCG	For protein expression
GenM1-RT1	ATCCGTTCCGAGATCCACT	For RT-PCR
GenM1-RT2	CCGATGTAGCCGATGAGC	For RT-PCR
GenM2-RT1	AGTACGTCATCCAGCACTCC	For RT-PCR
GenM2-RT2	CATGTACTCCAGGACGACGA	For RT-PCR
GenP-RT1	GTTGTCGAGGCAGAAGTC	For RT-PCR
GenP-RT2	GTTCCCTCCTTCTACGTGAA	For RT-PCR
GenK-RT1	ATCATGTCACCGGCGAAG	For RT-PCR
GenK-RT2	CCCGTTCTACCCGATCTA	For RT-PCR
GenE-RT1	AGGGTTACGAGTCCTGGG	For RT-PCR
GenE-RT2	GAACACGACGTCCACCTT	For RT-PCR
GenN-RT1	TTGGTACGTCGACCCGCT	For RT-PCR
GenN-RT2	CTGCGAGGTGAAGATCTGCA	For RT-PCR
GenK2-RT1	ATGCGGTGGTGGATCTGAC	For RT-PCR
GenK2-RT2	ACGGTCCGGTACAGGTCA	For RT-PCR
GenJ-RT1	CAGGTCATCACTCGATCTTC	For RT-PCR
GenJ-RT2	GTTGTGCACGGTGAAGTC	For RT-PCR
GenB1_D345L_P1	GTTTTTCGAGGGTCTTAATCA AACCCCGA	For mutagenesis
GenB1_D345L_P2	TCGGGGTTTGATTAAGACCCTCGAAAAAC	For mutagenesis
GenB1_D395L_P1	GCGCGTGGGGTGCGATGCTCGGCCTGGCGG	For mutagenesis

## Supplementary Table 5. List of oligonucleotide primers used in this study

GenB1_D395L_P2	CCGCCAGGCCGAGCATCGCACCCCACGCGC	For mutagenesis
GenB1_W391L_P1	GCTGGTACGCCAGCGCGGCGGGTGCGATGGACG GCC	For mutagenesis
GenB1_W391L_P2	GGCCGTCCATCGCACCCGCCGCGCTGGCGTACC AGC	For mutagenesis
GenB1_W415L_P1	ATTGTGGAGCGTCTGGCGGAAGATTAACTCGAG	For mutagenesis
GenB1_W415L_P2	CTCGAGTTAATCTTCCGCCAGACGCTCCACAAT	For mutagenesis

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