

## Supplementary Materials for

### Resurrecting the ancient glow of the fireflies

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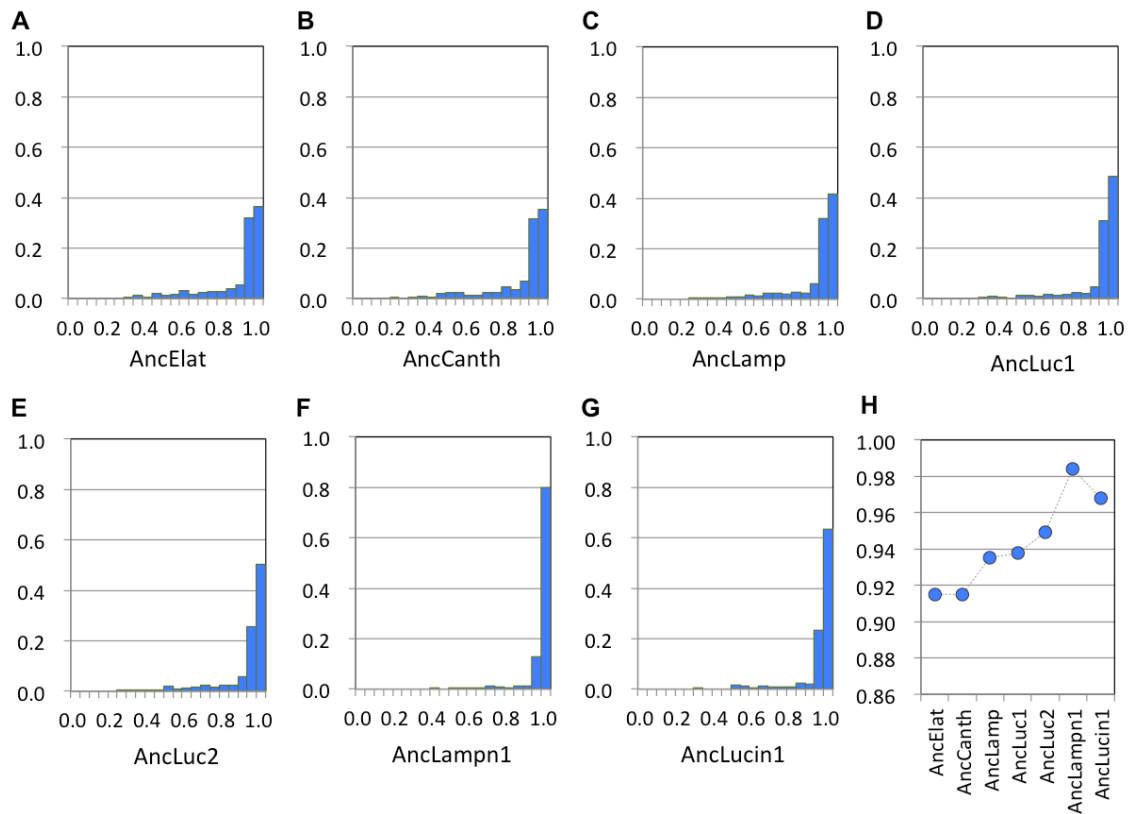
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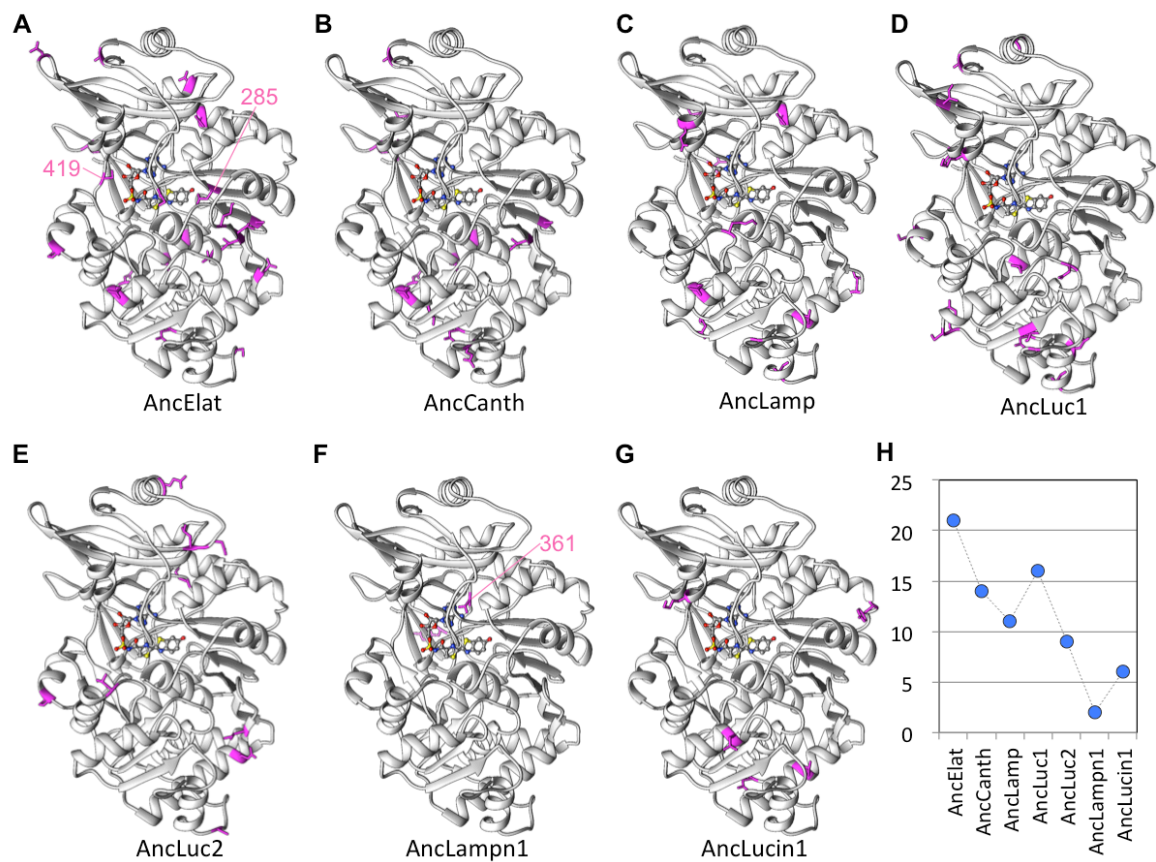
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AncLucin1	----KE...Y..E.....H...KQ.....L...I.....D...I...R.AE.MK...K...	78
AncLampn1	----E.K..MH..A...L.D.T..E..H.A.K...QIP.T...D.HAE.NIT...F.MA.R.AE.MKR...GLQH.	77
AncLuc2	----E.K..LY..E...L.D.T..E..Y.ALKK..QIP.C.L...H.KENVL.K.L..LT.R.AES.K...KTNST	76
AncLuc1	----ME.K..Y..E...L.D.T..E..H.A.K...Q.P.T...D.H.E.NI...DVT.R.AE.MK...KLNH.	77
AncLamp	----E.K..Y..E...L.D.T..E..Y.ALKK..Q.P.T..L.D.H.EENI...L..LT.R.AES.K...KQNT	76
AncCanth	----EEK...H..E.LH.L.D.T..Q..Y.ALKK.SH--PE.LID.H.EENI...L..TT.R.AES.K...KQNNV	74
AncElat	----KKEK...H..E.LH.L.D.T..Q..YNALKKHS--PE.LID.H.EESI..K.L..TT.R.AES...YKQNDV	75
AbLL	----SKES...Y..VGAA.VL.ST..K..FDSLK.HGH--PQ.IIDYQ.KQSI..KNLF.AT.K.AHS.EE...KQNDV	75
Known mutations		
Luciola_cruciata	IALCSEENCEFFPIVAGLFIGVGVAPTNEIYTLRELVHSLGISKPTIVFSSKKGLDKVITVQKTVTTIQTIVILDSKVD	159
AncLucin1	....D.ME....L..Y.....P.....N.....O..LE.....C.K.....	158
AncLampn1	..V...SLQ..M..VGA.....D..NE...YN..N..Q.....C..RA.Q..ILG...KLPV..K...E	157
AncLuc2	..V...NLQ.....A.Y...A...V.DK..E...IN..N.....I..C..QT.Q..ILQ..K.KLNY.KK.I...E	156
AncLuc1	..V...LQ.....A.Y...A...D..E...IN..N.....C..A.Q..ILE...KLP.C.KK...E	157
AncLamp	..V...NLQ.....A.Y...A...V.DK..E...IN..N.....I..C..T.Q..ILQ..K.KLSY.KK.I...E	156
AncCanth	..SV...NLQ.....A.Y...I..V.DN..E...IN..N.....LI..C..T.P..ILQ..K.KLSF.KK.I...E	154
AncElat	..SI...NLQ.....A.Y...I..V.DN..E...INA..N.....KLI..C..T.P..ILQ..K.KLSF.KK.I...DE	155
AbLL	..I...NLN.YK..C.A.YC.IVI..L.DS.SEG.Y.NA.N..E.KLI..C..C..PRLVGLKARCSF.KGF.VI...TE	155
Known mutations		
Luciola_cruciata	YRGYQCLDTF IKRNTPPGQASSFKTVEVDREKQVALIMNSSGSTGLPKGVQLTHENTVTRF SHARDPIYGNQVSPGTAV	239
AncLucin1	....D.ME....KHV.A.....P.....N.....I.....I.....	236
AncLampn1	..M...SMYS..ESH.L.A..NEVDYVPDSF..DQAT.....E...K.VCV...C...VF...II.D...I	237
AncLuc2	IA...NN..SQ.CD.N.NV.N..PNSFN.D.....T.....M...K.L.V...CK..F...IN...I	236
AncLuc1	..M...MHS..QH.DAN.NV.N..P.SF..D.....T.....M...K.L.V...C...F...II...I	237
AncLamp	IG...NN..SQ.HDAN.NV.N..PNSF..D.....T.....M...K.L.V...C...F...II...I	236
AncCanth	IN.CE..SN..S.YSDAN.NV.N..P.DF.PD.....S...T.....M...K.L.V...V.C...F.T.II...SI	234
AncElat	IN.CE..SN..S.YSDAN.NV.N..P.DF.PN.....LC..T.....M...K.L.V...A.C...RF.T.II...T	235
AbLL	IN.NE..PN..L..SD.N.DIEKYEPVFNSEN...A.LL...T..F...M...K.FSIL.A..N.VS.T.R.I...T	235
Known mutations		
Luciola_cruciata	LTIVVPPHHCFCGMFTLGLYLCIGFRVVMVLTQKFDGTLKTLQDYKCTSVILVPTLFAILNKSELNKLVDLSNLVIEASGCA	319
AncLucin1	....I...I.....T...I.....EL.....I.....ID.F.....	318
AncLampn1	..I...I.....T...I.LMYR.E.EL..RS...IQ.AL...SFFA..T.VD...H...I	317
AncLuc2	..I...I.....T...I.LMHT.E.RL..QS...VE.TL...M.FFA..P.VD...H.K...I	316
AncLuc1	..I...I.....T...I.LMHR.E.EL..S...Q.AL...M.FFA..P.VD...H...I	317
AncLamp	..I...I.....T...I.LMHR.E.EL..S...VQ.TL...M.FFA..P.VD...K...I	316
AncCanth	..SHI...A.....F.V.L.I..MKR.E.EL..I...VQ..IL...PIMVF.A..P.VD...S.K...I	314
AncElat	..SFL...F.A..F...FMV.L...MKR.E.EL..AI...VR..II..PIMVF.A..P.VD...S.K...C.A	315
AbLL	..SLL.YF...L..FI..NIS.IKS.I...QR.EPEA..RAIEE.EVR.T..P..PILIF.A..PIVD..N..S.K..IC.A	315
Known mutations		
Luciola_cruciata	PLSKEVGEAVARRFNLPGVROCYGLTETTSALIIITPEGDDKPGASGVVPLFSAKVIDLDTKKSGLGNRRGEVCKGPM	399
AncLucin1	....A.....K..K..I.....V.....F..IV...G.T..V.Q...I...I	396
AncLampn1	....I...K..K.KSI...L...V.R..ST...F.A..V.TT.G.I...ET..L.F..D.I	396
AncLuc1	....A.....K..K..I.....T...F...V...G.T...Q...L.F...I	397
AncLamp	....K..K..I.....V...ST...F...V...G.T...Q...L.F..D.I	396
AncCanth	....K.LK..I.....V...HN.V...ST...FM...I...G.A...Q...L.F..D.I	394
AncElat	....I...VK.L..I.....L.V...HN.F...S...FM...I...G.A...QI..L.F..D.V	395
AbLL	..SGR.IV...VK.LKVS.I.Y...CGL..CT..PNNF.I.S.V...FMAV.IR.VESG.T.K.TQI.I...D..	395
Known mutations		
Luciola_cruciata	MKGyvNNPEATKELIDEEGLWHTGDIGYDEEKHFFIVDRLKSILIKYGYQVPAAELSVLLQHPNIFDAGVAGVDPDVA	479
AncLucin1	....R..I.....D.....D.....E.....	478
AncLampn1	....NA...KD..S..A...DG.....I.....F.....I...ED	477
AncLuc2	....C..A...AI..KD..S...DG.....A.....GI...S.I...T.I...ED	476
AncLuc1	....I...KD..S...DG.....I.....S.....ED	477
AncLamp	....I...KD..S...DG.....A.....I.....S.I...T.I...ED	476
AncCanth	....A..KD..S...DG.....E.....A.....L...S.K...T.I...EE	474
AncElat	....T...A..D...S...DG..Y...E.....A...AL..T..S.K...V.I...EE	475
AbLL	....AG.EK...M...D...F.KDG.IY...I.E...F...AL..H..CVK..A.I.I...EL	475
Known mutations		
Luciola_cruciata	GELPGAVVVLESKSMTEKVEVMYDASQVSNAKRLRGVRFVDEVPKGLTGKIDGRAIREILKPKV-AKM	548
AncLucin1	....K..H...I.....G...TAS...K...S.K...V.AKKS.L	547
AncLampn1	....A.C...QP..HL..EN..IN..S...S...RK.L.Q..Q.QR-S.L	545
AncLuc1	....K..H...I.....S...S...S...Q-S.L	546
AncLamp	....A.C...QP..HL..I...S...S...RK.L.Q..Q.QR-S.L	545
AncCanth	....A.C...QP..NL...I...E...S...I...S...VRKEL.K.A.KK-S.L	543
AncElat	....A.F...KQP..NL...I.F...E...S...I...NS...LRKEL.KL.A.KK-S.L	544
AbLL	....A.FI.KQH..EV...IV..I.K...S...H...IPDI.RTAA...QRNLL.NMIA.KK-S.L	544

**Fig. S1. Multiple-sequence alignment of ancestral luciferases.** The amino acid residues of the ancestral luciferases, which are identical to *L. cruciata* LcLuc1, are

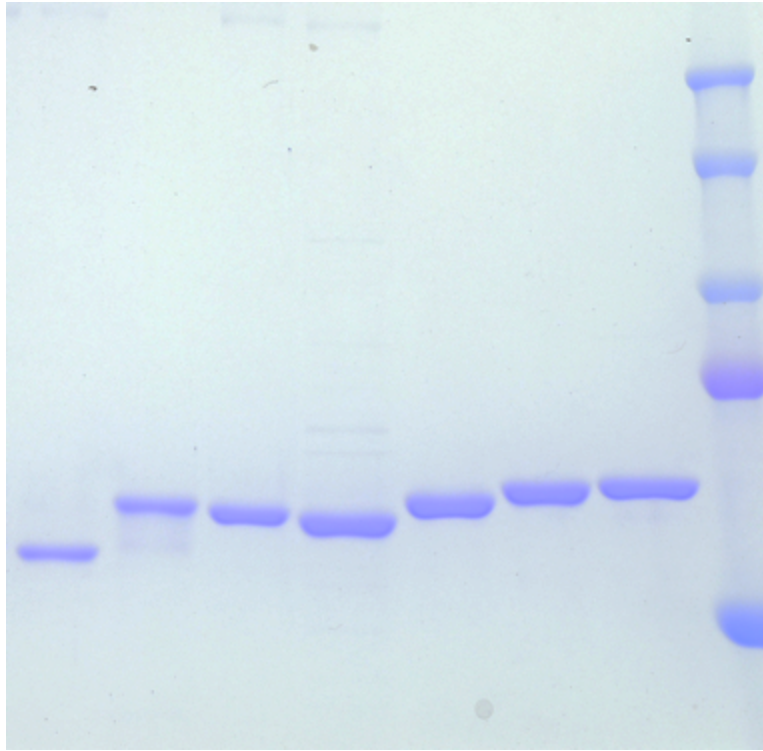
shown as a dot. The substrate-binding site residues (Ser<sup>197</sup>, Ser<sup>198</sup>, Arg<sup>217</sup>, His<sup>244</sup>, Thr<sup>250</sup>, Gly<sup>315</sup>, Gly<sup>338</sup>, Thr<sup>342</sup>, Ser<sup>346</sup>, Ala<sup>347</sup>, Thr<sup>526</sup>, and Lys<sup>528</sup> reference the positions in AncLamp) (7) are outlined in blue. The sites relevant to the AncLamp luminescence spectra predicted by the crystal structure (Ile<sup>236</sup>, Thr<sup>238</sup>, Ile<sup>240</sup>, Phe<sup>246</sup>, and Leu<sup>285</sup>) are outlined in green (shown on structure in Fig. 3). The more ambiguously identified sites (posterior probability less than 0.1 higher than the second most probable amino acid) are shown in magenta (depicted on structures in fig. S3). The ‘know mutations’ lines indicate the reported site-directed mutation sites (listed in table S5) that cause luminescence wavelength shifts. The residue sites related to hypsochromic-, bathochromic-, and both-shift are indicated with asterisks in blue, red, and purple, respectively. AbLL, *A. binodulus* fatty acyl-CoA synthetase.



**Fig. S2. Posterior probability distributions of the residue sites.** (A) AncElat, (B) AncCanth, (C) AncLamp, (D) AncLuc1, (E) AncLuc2, (F) AncLampn1, and (G) AncLucin1. Horizontal and vertical axes show posterior probability bins and fractional frequency of inferred sites, respectively. (H) Average posterior probabilities are plotted over the ancestral luciferases.

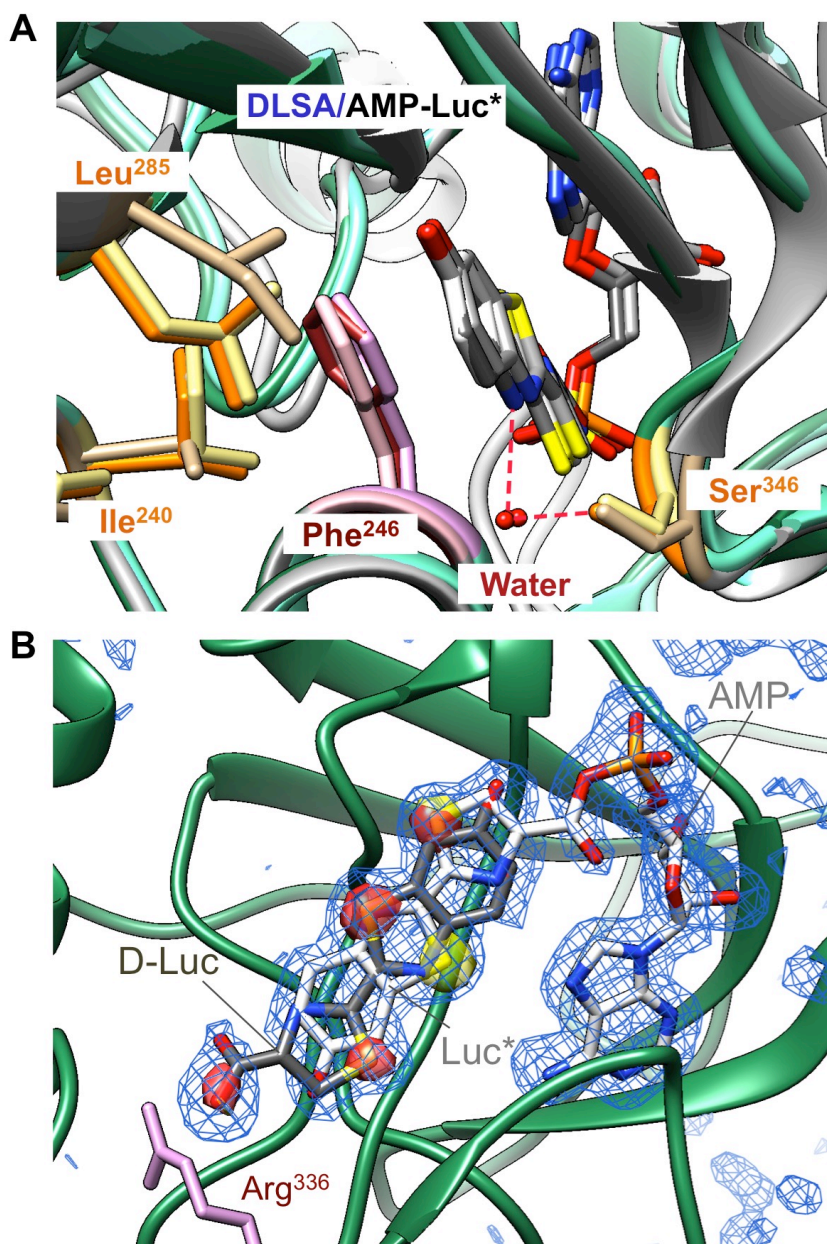


**Fig. S3. Ambiguous residues.** The residues, for which the posterior probability is less than 0.1 higher than the second most probable amino acid (listed in table S1), are mapped in magenta for (A) AncElat, (B) AncCanth, (C) AncLamp, (D) AncLuc1, (E) AncLuc2, (F) AncLampn1, and (G) AncLucin1 on the crystal structure of AncLamp. The sites that might have direct interaction with the substrate-binding site residues, namely Val<sup>361</sup> in AncLampn1, and Leu<sup>285</sup> & Ser<sup>419</sup> in AncElat (also indicated in fig. S1) are denoted with residue number. (H) Total numbers of ambiguous residues are plotted over the ancestral luciferases.



**Fig. S4. SDS-PAGE gel stained by CBB.** 430 ng of each protein was loaded. From left: AncElat, AncCanth, AncLamp, AncLuc2, AncLuc1, AncLucin1, AncLampn1, and molecular marker (from top, 250, 150, 100, 75, 50 kDa; Precision Plus Protein Dual Standards, Bio-Rad).

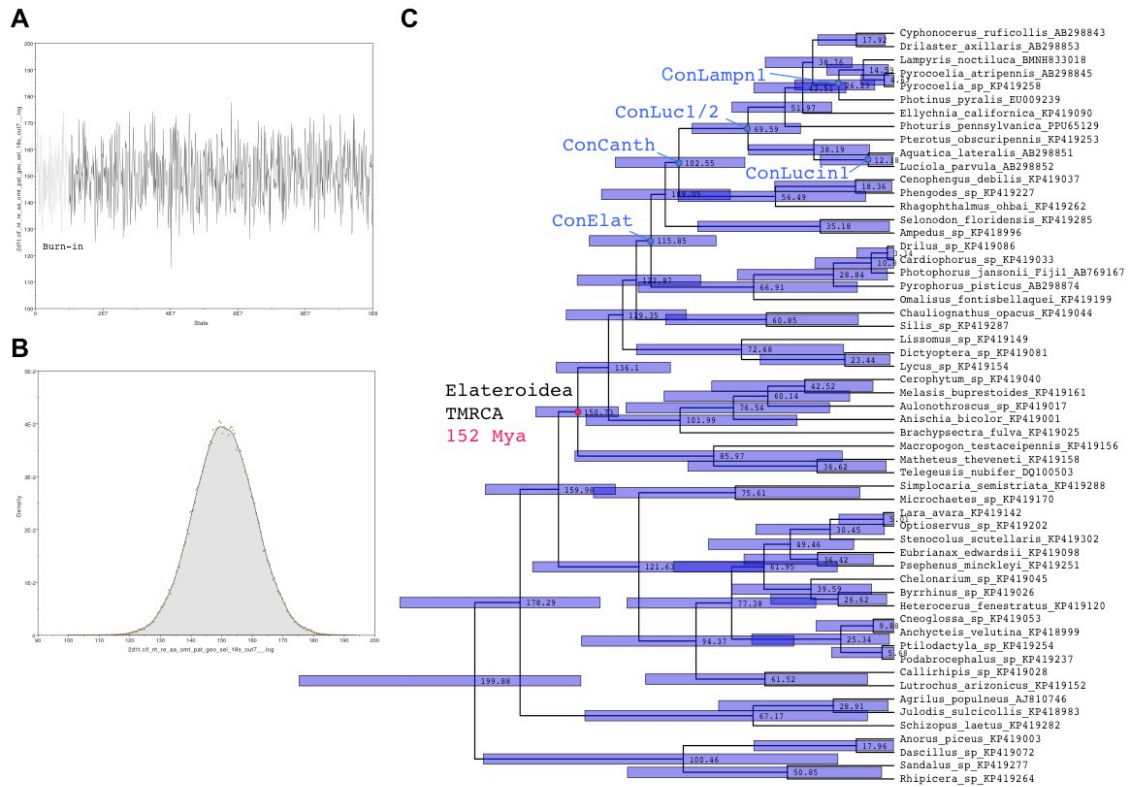




**Fig. S5. The substrate-binding site structure of AncLamp.** (A) Interaction between Ser<sup>346</sup> (Ser<sup>349</sup> in LcLuc1) and DLSEA/AMP-Luc\* in AncLamp - DLSEA (green), LcLuc1 - DLSEA (white), and AncLamp - substrates (D-luciferin/ATP) (light green) complex structures. In all structures, a water molecule (Water) mediate hydrogen bond networks from O<sub>γ</sub> of Ser to the nitrogen atom of thiazole plane of DLSEA/AMP-Luc. The hydrogen bonds in the AncLamp - DLSEA only are shown by red dotted lines. (B) The substrate-binding site structure of AncLamp - substrates (D-luciferin/ATP) complex. The all ligand omitting *F<sub>o</sub> - F<sub>c</sub>* map is shown in blue mesh (contoured at 10  $\sigma$ ). Also the *F<sub>o</sub> - F<sub>c</sub>* D-Luc omitting map (red, 30  $\sigma$ ), and the Luc\* omitting map (yellow, 30  $\sigma$ )

are superposed. The probable non-reactive D-luciferin (D-Luc, carbon atoms are shown in gray) and AMP and luciferyl moiety in the probable reaction intermediate (Luc\*, carbon atoms are shown in white) are indicated with stick models. The carboxylate moiety of the non-reactive D-luciferin makes an electro-static interaction with Arg<sup>336</sup> in this configuration.





**Fig. S6. Geological dating.** (A) The trajectory and (B) Distribution of Elateroidea common ancestor geological age during MCMC simulation for  $10^8$  iterations. The initial  $10^7$  iterations are burn-in process. (C) The phylogeny of Elateriformia species. The leaf nodes are indicated with species names and GenBank accession number of corresponding 18S rRNA gene sequence. The median of estimated geological age and 95% HPD (purple bar) are indicated on each node. The reference Elateroidea TMRCA (16) is highlighted with a magenta circle, and the nodes corresponding to the hypothesized ancestral species, which genomes encoded AncElat, AncCanth, AncLampn1, and AncLucin1 are indicated with blue circles and labeled as ConElat, ConCanth, ConLampn1, and ConLucin1, respectively. ConLuc1/2 is the first species, which had the duplicated genes of AncLuc1 and AncLuc2.

**Table S2. X-ray crystallography data collection and refinement statistics.**

Protein <sup>b</sup>	AncLamp - DLSA complex (6K4C) <sup>a</sup>	AncLamp - ATP - D-luciferin complex (6K4D) <sup>a</sup>
Space group	<i>C222<sub>1</sub></i>	<i>C222<sub>1</sub></i>
Cell constants (a, b, c Å)	48.3, 123.4, 177.4	48.8, 123.7, 177.0
Wavelength (Å)	1.0000	1.0000
Resolution range - data collection (Å)	20.00 - 2.10 (2.21 - 2.10)	20.00 - 1.70 (1.79 - 1.70)
R <sub>sym</sub>	0.032 (0.073)	0.014 (0.030)
Completeness (%)	99.7 (100.0)	96.3 (95.4)
$\langle I/\sigma I \rangle$	14.0 (6.9)	75.6 (22.5)
Resolution range - refinement (Å)	20.00 - 2.10 (2.17 - 2.10)	20.00 - 1.70 (1.73 - 1.70)
No. reflections	31197(3317)	55829 (2520)
R <sub>cryst</sub>	0.208 (0.266)	0.163 (0.226)
R <sub>free</sub>	0.244 (0.328)	0.189 (0.280)
RMSD length (Å)	0.007	0.017
RMSD angle (°)	0.98	1.22

<sup>a</sup> Values for the highest resolution bin are in parentheses.

<sup>b</sup> In parentheses PDB accession codes.

**Table S4. Hydrogen bonds on DLSA molecule.**

DLSA moiety	AncLamp (6K4C) <sup>a</sup>		LcLuc1 (2D1S) <sup>a</sup>	
Luciferyl-moiety	SLU <sup>601</sup> O10 - HOH <sup>704</sup> O	2.34	SLU <sup>2001</sup> O10 - HOH <sup>2135</sup> O	2.73
	SLU <sup>601</sup> N7 - HOH <sup>810</sup> O	2.99	SLU <sup>2001</sup> N7 - HOH <sup>2002</sup> O	2.82
	SLU <sup>601</sup> O39 - Lys <sup>527</sup> N $\zeta$	2.96	SLU <sup>2001</sup> O39 - HOH <sup>2014</sup> O (- Lys <sup>531</sup> N $\zeta$ )	2.63 (2.77)
AMP-moiety	-	-	SLU <sup>2001</sup> O18 - Ser <sup>200</sup> O $\gamma$	3.08
	-	-	SLU <sup>2001</sup> O19 - Ser <sup>201</sup> N	3.30
	-	-	SLU <sup>2001</sup> O19 - Ser <sup>201</sup> O $\gamma$	2.98
	-	-	SLU <sup>2001</sup> O18 - Thr <sup>345</sup> N	3.11
	SLU <sup>601</sup> O18 - Thr <sup>341</sup> O $\gamma$ 1	3.31	SLU <sup>2001</sup> O18 - Thr <sup>345</sup> O $\gamma$ 1	3.00
	-	-	SLU <sup>2001</sup> O18 - HOH <sup>2223</sup> O	2.80
	SLU <sup>601</sup> O19 - His <sup>243</sup> N $\epsilon$ 2	2.87	SLU <sup>2001</sup> O19 - His <sup>247</sup> N $\epsilon$ 2	2.85
	SLU <sup>601</sup> O19 - HOH <sup>812</sup> O	2.71	-	-
	SLU <sup>601</sup> O20 - HOH <sup>812</sup> O	3.14	SLU <sup>2001</sup> O20 - HOH <sup>2014</sup> O	3.33
	SLU <sup>601</sup> O27 - Asp <sup>420</sup> O $\delta$ 1	3.22	SLU <sup>2001</sup> O27 - Asp <sup>424</sup> O $\delta$ 1	3.23
	SLU <sup>601</sup> O27 - Asp <sup>420</sup> O $\delta$ 2	2.29	SLU <sup>2001</sup> O27 - Asp <sup>424</sup> O $\delta$ 2	2.56
	-	-	SLU <sup>2001</sup> O27 - HOH <sup>2385</sup> O	2.86
	SLU <sup>601</sup> O28 - Asp <sup>420</sup> O $\delta$ 1	2.59	SLU <sup>2001</sup> O28 - Asp <sup>424</sup> O $\delta$ 1	2.70
	SLU <sup>601</sup> O28 - Asp <sup>420</sup> O $\delta$ 2	2.98	-	-
	SLU <sup>601</sup> O28 - HOH <sup>830</sup> O	2.75	SLU <sup>2001</sup> O28 - HOH <sup>2136</sup> O	2.80
	SLU <sup>601</sup> N31 - HOH <sup>830</sup> O	3.20	SLU <sup>2001</sup> N31 - HOH <sup>2136</sup> O	2.91
	SLU <sup>601</sup> N29 - HOH <sup>924</sup> O	2.93	SLU <sup>2001</sup> N29 - HOH <sup>2410</sup> O	2.99
	SLU <sup>601</sup> N37 - Gly <sup>314</sup> N	3.28	SLU <sup>2001</sup> N37 - Gly <sup>318</sup> N	3.10
	SLU <sup>601</sup> N38 - Gly <sup>337</sup> O	2.54	SLU <sup>2001</sup> N38 - Gly <sup>341</sup> O	2.84
	-	-	SLU <sup>2001</sup> N38 - HOH <sup>2564</sup> O	2.71

<sup>a</sup>The number shows the distance between donor and acceptor atoms in Å.

**Table S6. Stability of the recombinant proteins.**

Protein	RLU/ng protein (0 h on ice) <sup>a</sup>	RLU/ng protein (12 h on ice) <sup>a</sup>	Remaining activity (%)
AncElat	1.77	1.41	79.8
AncCanth	6014.62	5195.45	86.4
AncLamp	49863.41	47656.04	95.6
AncLuc1	40471.84	37617.22	92.9
AncLuc2	57978.09	52424.62	90.4
AncLampn1	32913.34	40851.94	124.1
AncLucin1	13723.18	16697.27	121.7

<sup>a</sup>Luminescence reaction was initiated by injecting the 430 ng of purified recombinant luciferase into the mixture of D-luciferin (final conc. 10  $\mu$ M D-luciferin, 5 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 100  $\mu$ M ATP, 50 mM Tris-HCl, pH 7.8). Relative light intensity (RLU) was measured using a luminometer Centro LB960 (Berthold), and integrated from 2 to 32 s after mixing (total 30 s).

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