

Supporting Information

Broadening the Substrate Range of Serine Palmitoyltransferase by Protein Engineering and Applications to 3-Keto- Dihydrosphingosine Analogs

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Figure S1. Sequence optimized *SpSPTase* gene.

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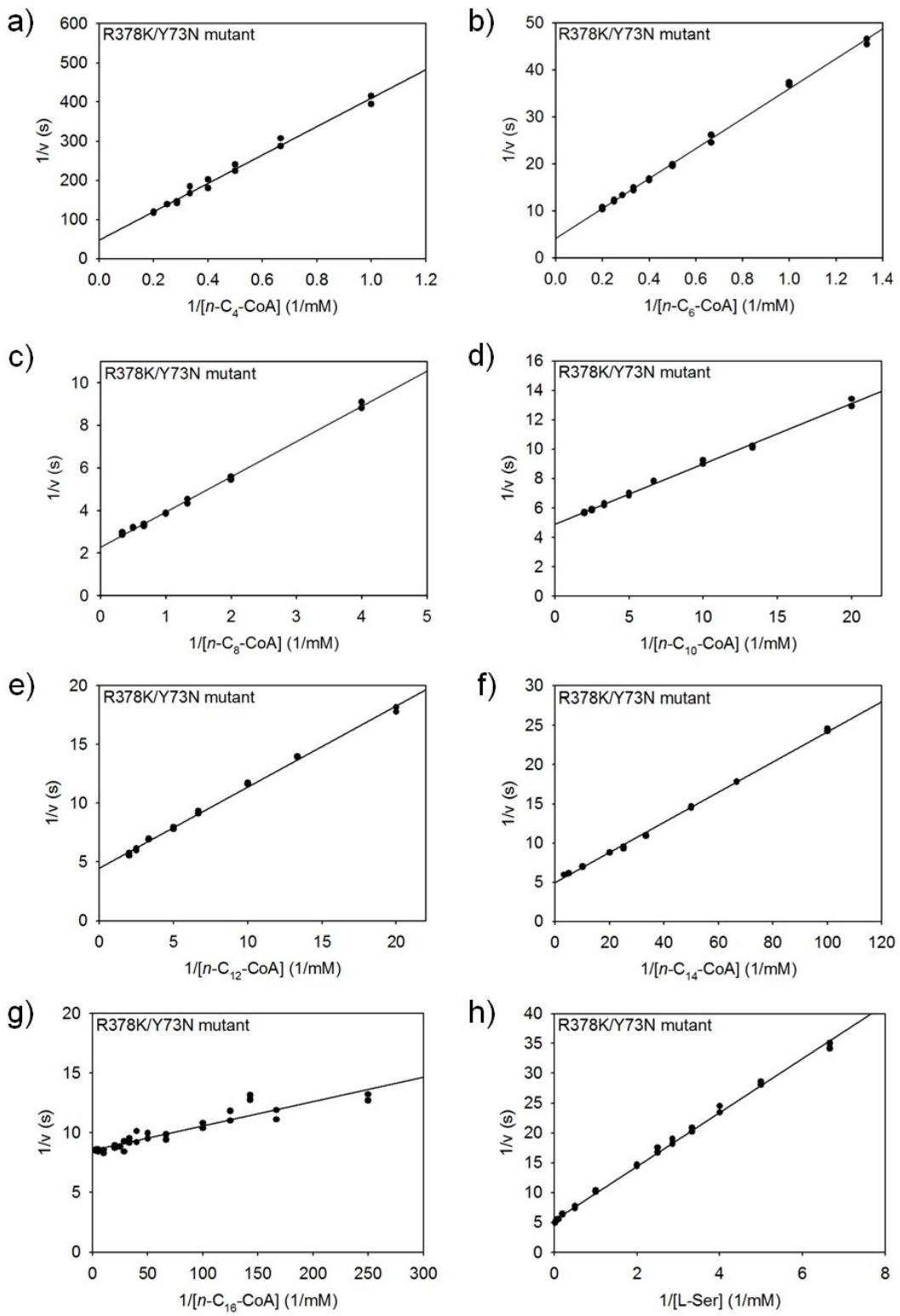


Figure S2. Lineweaver-Burk plots for the production of KDS analogues from L-Ser and Acyl-CoA's ($n\text{-C}_4\text{-CoA}$ to $n\text{-C}_{16}\text{-CoA}$) by R378K/Y73N *SpSPTase*. Enzyme reactions with variable substrates $n\text{-C}_4\text{-CoA}$ (a), $n\text{-C}_6\text{-CoA}$ (b), $n\text{-C}_8\text{-CoA}$ (c), $n\text{-C}_{10}\text{-CoA}$ (d), $n\text{-C}_{12}\text{-CoA}$ (e), $n\text{-C}_{14}\text{-CoA}$ (f), $n\text{-C}_{16}\text{-CoA}$ (g), and L-Ser (h).

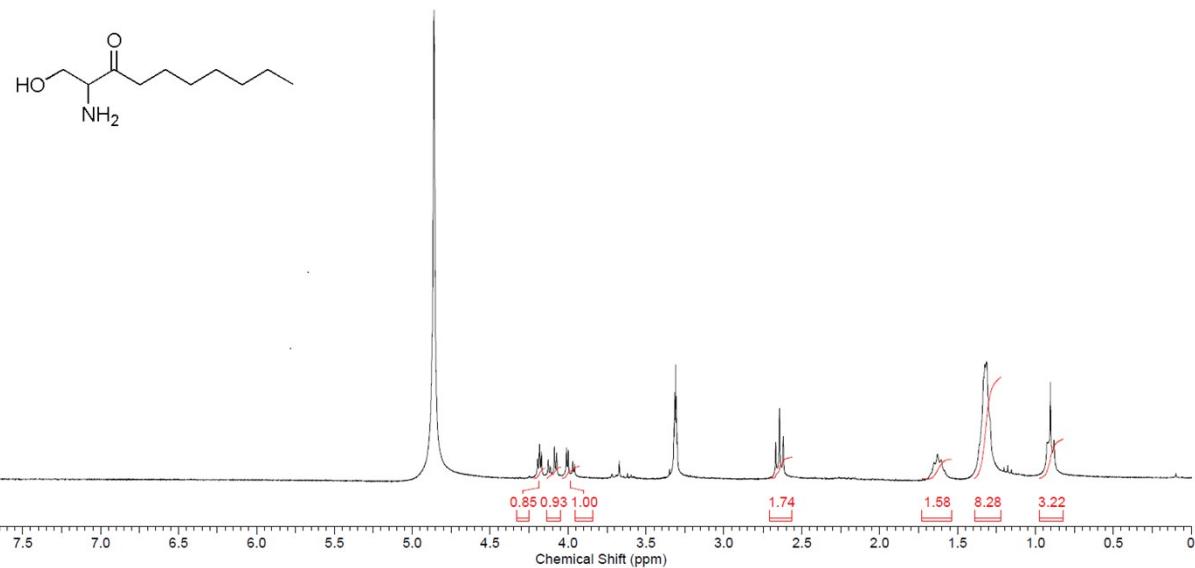


Figure S3. Production of 3-keto-C₁₀-dihydrosphingosine from L-Ser and n-C₈-CoA by R378K/Y73N SpSPTase.

¹H NMR spectra of 3-keto-C₁₀-dihydrosphingosine were recorded at 300 MHz at 25 °C and calibrated against the residual proton signal of the solvent as internal references (CD₃OD: δH = 3.31 ppm).

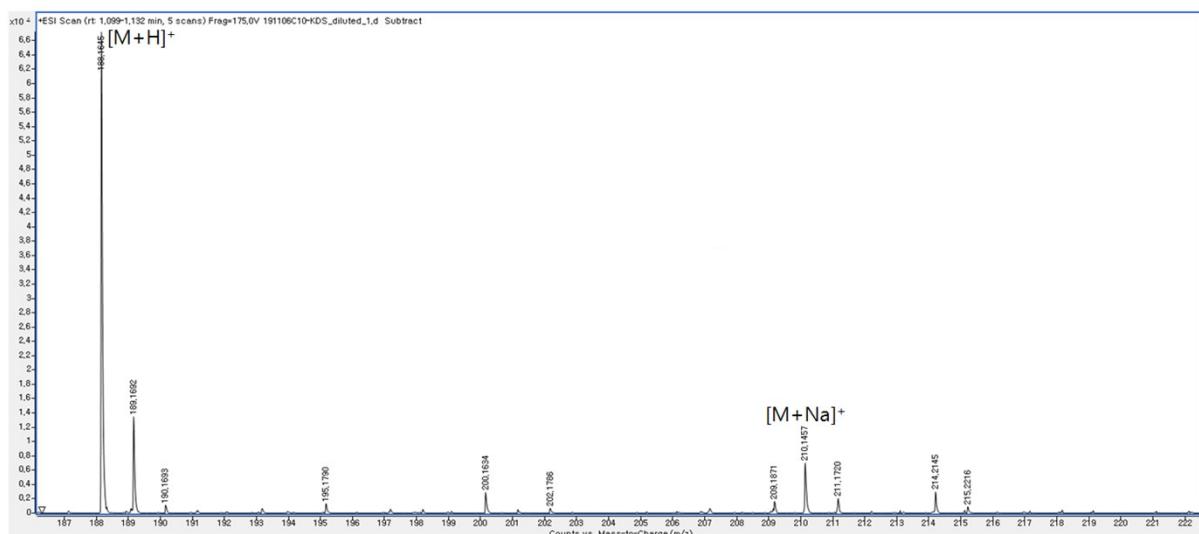


Figure S4. MS analysis of 3-keto-C₁₀-dihydrosphingosine synthesized from L-Ser and n-C₈-CoA by R378K/Y73N SpSPTase. The formation of the product was confirmed as previously described.¹ 3-Keto-C₁₀-dihydrosphingosine formation was corroborated ESI MS (positive mode). C₁₀H₂₁NO₂ calcd [M + H]⁺ = 188.1645, [M + Na]⁺ = 210.1464; obsd: 118.1645 (Δ = 0 ppm), 210.1457 (Δ = 3.3 ppm).

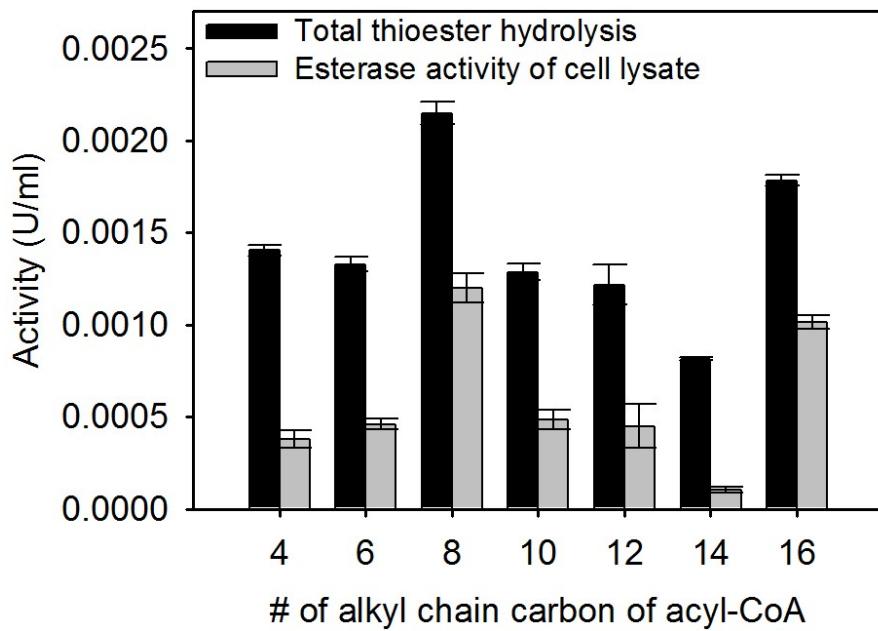
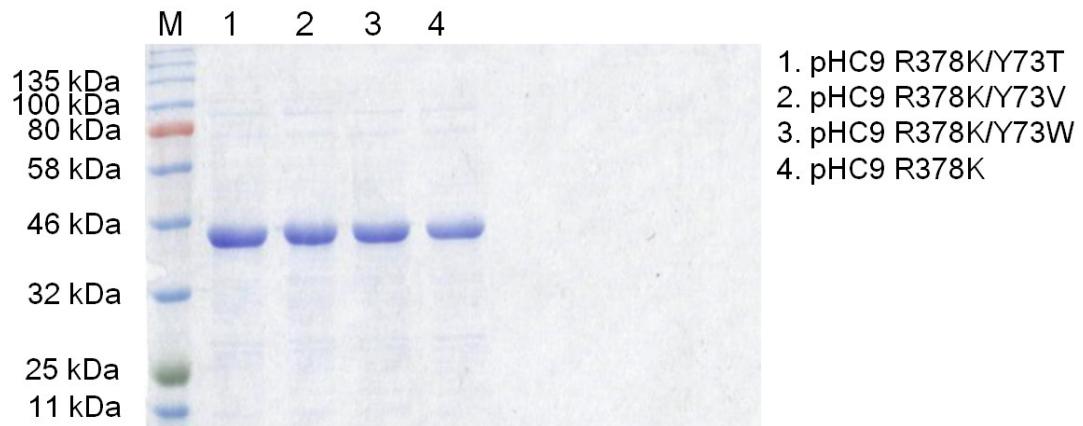
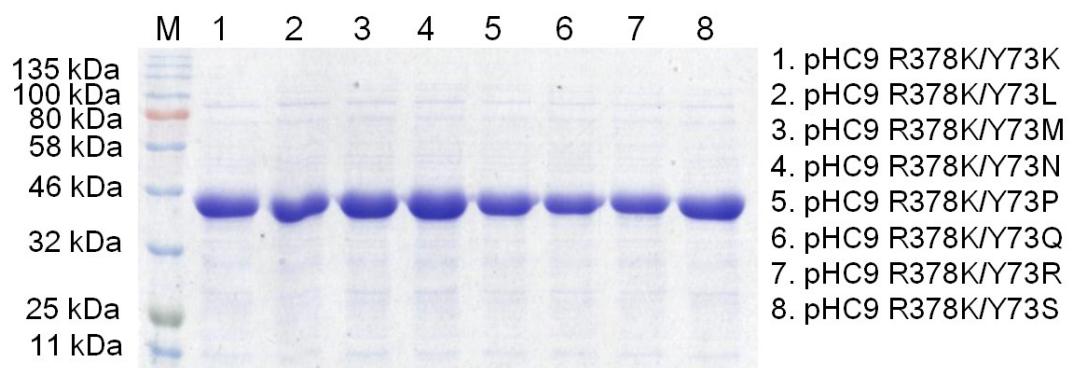
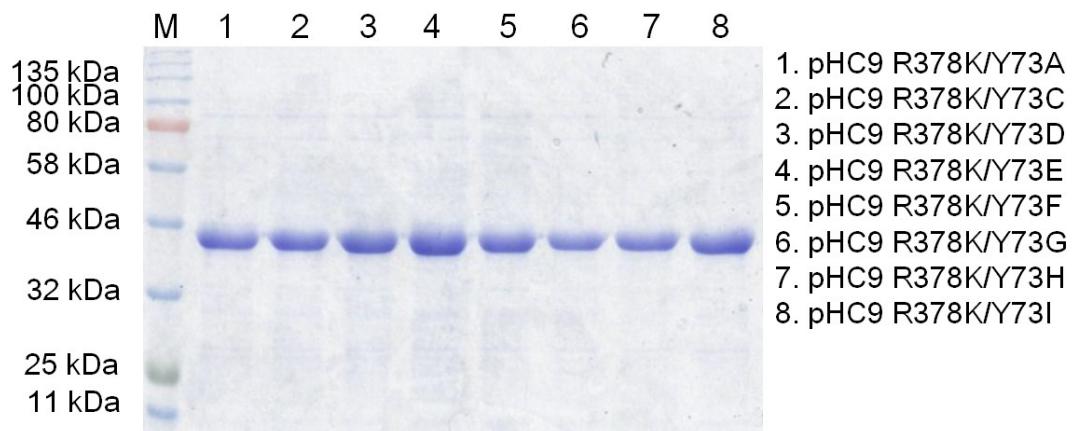


Figure S5. Thioesterase activities of BL21-Gold (DE3) for *n*-acyl-CoA's. The cell lysate (10 µl) was added to 190 µl of a reaction buffer (500 mM KP_i, 150 mM NaCl, 20 mM L-Ser, 10 µM PLP, 0.3 mM Ellman's reagent, 1 mM EDTA, pH 7.5) containing *n*-acyl-CoA's (0.5 mM). The reactions were incubated at 37 °C, and the thioester bond hydrolysis of *n*-acyl-CoA's was determined by monitoring the absorbance at 412 nm for 2 h. The total thioester hydrolysis includes the rates of self-hydrolysis.



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Figure S6. SDS-PAGE analysis of *SpSPTase* R378K/Y73X mutants expressed under autoinduction conditions.

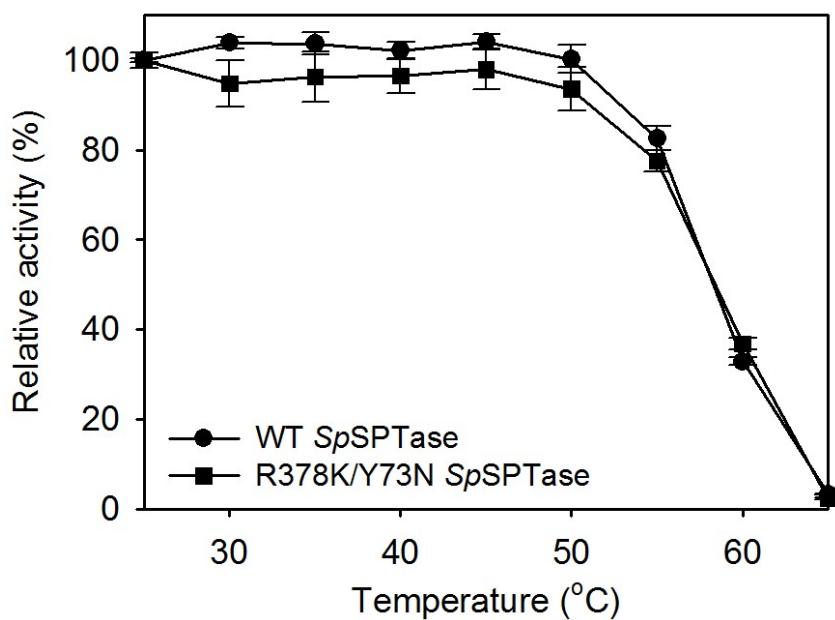


Figure S7. Thermostability of wild-type and R378K/Y73N *SpSPTases*. *SpSPTases* (0.2 mg/ml) were incubated at 25–65 °C for 30 min, and then 4 °C for 10 min. The incubated enzyme solution (10 µl or 2 µg) was added to a reaction buffer (500 mM KP_i, pH 7.5, 150 mM NaCl, 20 mM L-Ser, 10 µM PLP, 1 mM EDTA, 0.15 mM *n*-C₁₆-CoA, and 0.3 mM DTNB). Error bars represent standard deviation of triplicate measurement.

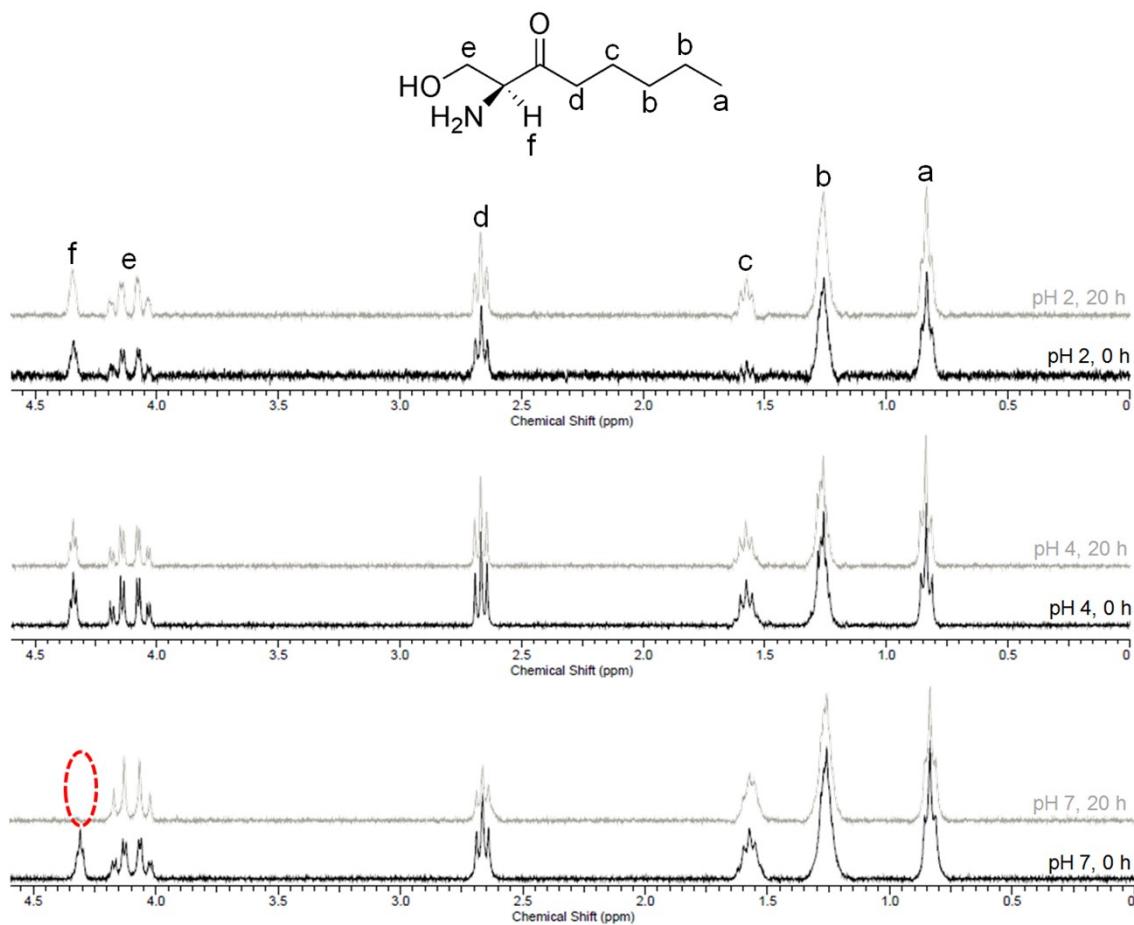


Figure S8. pH-dependent racemization of 3-keto-C₈-dihydrosphingosine. 3-keto-C₈-dihydrosphingosine (C₈-KDS) was synthesized as described previously.² The analogue was dissolved in either a deuterated 20 mM KP_i buffer for pH 7 or D₂O for pH 2 and 4. The solutions were incubated in the dark at rt. for 20 h, and the exchange of the α -proton was determined by comparing ¹H NMR data.

Table S1. Degenerate primers (NNK and MNN) used for site saturation mutagenesis.

Mutants	Forward primers (NNK)	Reverse primers (MNN)	Q _{pool}
F47X	TCACTGATCCGNNKGCATTGTCATGGAGCAGGTAAAATC	ATGACAATAGCMNNCGGATCAGTGACACCGGAATCCAGAA	0.87
Y73X	TGCTTGGCACCNNAATTACATGGCATGACCTTCGATCC	CCCATGTAATTMNNNGGTGCCAAGCAGGATGGTATCTTTTC	0.86
G101X	CCGGCACCAATNNKAGCGTATGTTAACCGTACTTTCA	AACATACGGCTMNNATTGGTGCCCGAACCAAATTCTCCA	0.84
S102X	GCACCAATGGCNNKCGTATGTTAACCGTACTTTCATGA	TTAACATACGMNNNGCCATTGGTGCCCGAACCAAATTCT	0.93
M104X	ATGGCAGCCGTNNKTTAACCGTACTTTCATGACCACAT	GTACCGTTAAMNNACGGCTGCCATTGGTGCCCGAACCAA	0.79
L105X	GCAGCCGTATGNNKAACGGTACTTTCATGACCACATGGA	AAAAGTACCGTTMNNCATACGGCTGCCATTGGTGCCCGAAC	0.88
A160X	CAGACAGCCATNNKCAATCTACGATGGTTGTCAGCAAGG	TCGTAGATTGAMNNATGGCTGTCTGCATCCAGGATTACGT	0.88
S206X	AAGGAGTGTACNNKATGTTGGGTGACATTGCTCCGCTTAA	TCACCCAACATMNNGTACACTCCTCAAGGACAACCAGTT	0.82
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T294X	CGTACATCTCNNKGCACTCTCCTCCAAGCGTCGTGGC	GGAAGAGATGCMNNGAAGATGTACGGACGGCAAGCAAGAC	0.81
S296X	TCTTCACGGCANNKCTCCTCCAAGCGTCGTGCCACTGC	CTTGGAGGAAGMNNNTGCCGTGAAGATGTACGGACGGCAAG	0.86
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T382X	AACCACCTGCANNKCCTGCAGGAACCTTCTTGTGCGTTG	GTTCCTGCAGGMNNNTGCAGGTGGTTGGCCATTACGT	0.80
R390X	CCTTCTTGTGNNKTGTTCCATTGTGCGGAACACACCCCC	CAAATGGAACAMNNCAACAAGAAGGTTCCTGCAGGAGTTG	0.86

Table S2. Primers used for site saturation mutagenesis at Tyr73 position.

Mutants	Forward primers	Reverse primers
Y73A	CTTGGCACCGCTAATTACATGGGCATGACCTT	CATGTAATTAGCGGTGCCAACGCAGGATGGTAT
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Y73W	CTTGGCACCTGGAATTACATGGGCATGACCTT	CATGTAATTCCAGGTGCCAACGCAGGATGGTAT

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