

P450 Fingerprinting Method for Rapid Discovery of Terpene Hydroxylating P450 Catalysts with Diversified Regioselectivity

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ABSTRACT: Engineered P450 enzymes constitute attractive catalysts for the selective oxidation of unactivated C–H bonds in complex molecules. A current bottleneck in the use of P450 catalysis for chemical synthesis is the time and effort required to identify the P450 variant(s) with the desired level of activity and selectivity. In this report, we describe a method to map the active site configuration of engineered P450 variants in high throughput using a set of semisynthetic chromogenic probes. Through analysis of the resulting ‘fingerprints’, reliable predictions can be made regarding the reactivity of these enzymes toward complex substrates structurally related to the fingerprint probes. In addition, fingerprint analysis offers a convenient and time-effective means to assess the regioselectivity properties of the fingerprinted P450s. The described approach can represent a valuable tool to expedite the discovery of P450 oxidation catalysts for the functionalization of relevant natural products such as members of the terpene family.

Methods for selective oxidation of aliphatic (sp^3) C–H bonds are of huge synthetic relevance, in particular when viable for the late-stage oxidation of complex molecules and natural products.¹ For this purpose, the use of cytochrome P450 monooxygenases offers the advantage that the regio- and stereoselectivity of these catalysts can be modulated by protein engineering and potentially directed also toward energetically and/or stereoelectronically ‘unbiased’ sp^3 C–H sites. Cytochrome P450 enzymes have been isolated and engineered for a variety of relevant applications.^{2–4} Recently, the systematic utilization of P450 variants with diversified substrate profile and regioselectivity has constituted a powerful strategy toward the late-stage transformation of single and multiple unactivated sp^3 C–H bonds in small-molecule substrates through P450-mediated chemoenzymatic synthesis.⁵ The lack of time-effective methods to gain access to P450 catalysts with varying regio- and stereoselectivity properties, however, currently limits the scope of this approach. While various methods are available for high-throughput screening of P450 activity,⁶ these do not provide information regarding the regio/stereoselectivity of the screened P450s, which has to be established on a case-by-case basis through laborious and time-consuming HPLC or GC analyses. In this report, we introduce a method which can address this limitation and streamline the discovery of P450s with the desired regioselectivity toward complex terpene substrates.

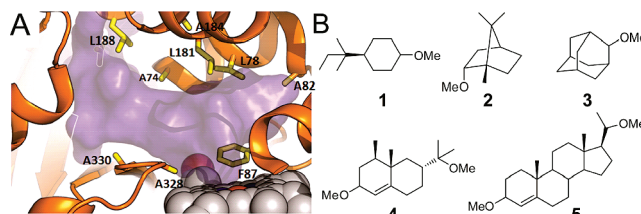


Figure 1. (A) Surface representation of the active site shape and volume of P450_{BM3} (Reprinted with permission from ref 8. Copyright 2008 Elsevier. PDB 1BVY). (B) Chromogenic probes used to map the active site geometry of the engineered P450 variants.

Enzyme activity profiling across multiple substrates has been used in the context of proteases, lipases, and kinases to generate ‘fingerprints’ for enzyme identification and classification.⁷ Our goal was to develop a fingerprinting method for P450 enzymes which could provide an indirect map of the size and geometry of their active site (Figure 1A). We envisioned the resulting fingerprint could (a) relay information regarding the accessibility of the active site in the enzyme and thus its substrate scope, and (b) enable a qualitative assessment of its regio- and stereoselectivity properties, as these are in large part dictated by the configuration of the enzyme active site.^{8,9} To this end, we prepared a set of semisynthetic probes based on hydrocarbon scaffolds with marked differences in structure, size, and bulkiness (1–5, Figure 1B). ‘Reporter’ methoxy groups (–OCH₃) were installed on these structures to enable rapid profiling of P450 function on the probes using a Purpald-based colorimetric assay, which detects the product (formaldehyde) of P450-dependent demethylation of this functional group.^{4,5} These designs were also intended to couple the screen readout with the C–H oxidation activity of the P450, as this has proven important toward the isolation of P450 catalysts which exhibit more coupled catalytic cycles and can therefore support higher substrate turnover numbers.^{2,4}

To test the viability of the fingerprinting method, we tested 10 previously described variants of the fatty acid hydroxylase P450_{BM3} from *Bacillus megaterium*.¹⁰ These P450 variants exhibit varying activity and selectivity in the oxidation of non-native small-molecule substrates.⁵ Parallel reactions with 1–5 were carried out using these P450s in purified form and a NADPH cofactor regeneration system containing a thermostable phosphite dehydrogenase (PTDH).¹¹ Notably, each variant was found to be associated to a unique fingerprint, supporting the

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ability of these profiles to capture the functional differences among these P450s (Figure S1). In addition, the relative activity of each P450 variant on 1, 2, and 3 varied considerably in spite of the comparable size of these molecules (± 20 Da), indicating that these probes can effectively report on the different geometric constraints within the active site of these enzymes.

Encouraged by these results, we investigated the utility of this method for high-throughput analysis of engineered P450_{BM3} libraries in search of variants with diversified reactivity and selectivity properties toward terpene substrates. To this end, triple and quadruple mutant libraries were constructed by site-saturation mutagenesis of positions V78, S81, V82, A87, L181, and V184 in P450_{BM3} variant FL#62, which exhibited high activity on all the probes (Figure S1, Table S1). Targeting these sites was expected to be most effective in altering the active site configuration of FL#62 variant as the corresponding amino acid residues project their side chains toward the heme pocket and substrate channel of the enzyme based on the available crystal structure of P450_{BM3}¹² (Figure 1A). The P450 libraries were expressed in 96-well plates (DH5 α cells) and screened against probes 1–5 in parallel to acquire a fingerprint for each functional P450 variant occurring in these libraries. Reactions with the probes (1 mM, 60 min) were carried out using cell lysate in the presence of the phosphite/PTDH cofactor regeneration system, and probe activity was quantified based on absorbance at 550 nm after 60-min incubation with Purpald (30 mM). To enable comparisons among the fingerprints, the probe activities were normalized to that of a reference P450, P450_{BM3} (F87A), which has minimal yet detectable activity on all five probes (Figure S1). Wild-type P450_{BM3} was unsuitable for this purpose as it shows no activity on three out of the five fingerprint probes (Figure S1). From the screening of $\sim 10\,000$ recombinants, a total of 1220 catalytically active P450 variants were identified (threshold: >20% parental activity on at least one probe). Comparative analysis of the normalized P450 fingerprints revealed the occurrence of 261 variants (21%) featuring a unique profile, a representative sample (25) of which is provided in Figure 2. Since the variation coefficient of the assay is 15%, a variation larger than $\pm 20\%$ in at least one of the five fingerprint components served as criterion to define two fingerprints as distinct. The 261 variants with unique profile were pooled to form a collection of fingerprinted P450 catalysts for the subsequent proof-of-principle studies.

Probes 1, 2, 4, and 5 incorporate carbon skeletons (cyclohexane, bicyclic norbornane, bicyclic decalin, and steroid) occurring in numerous terpenes with relevant pharmacological activity¹³ and of practical value for asymmetric catalysis.¹⁴ By reflecting the geometric compatibility between the P450 active site and these molecular scaffolds, we expected the fingerprints to be useful for predicting the reactivity of the P450s toward substrates sharing the same core structure. This hypothesis was based on the observation that in most P450s substrate recognition is primarily mediated by hydrophobic and van der Waals interactions rather than directional H-bonds or ionic interactions.^{15,16} In particular, the recent engineering of P450_{BM3} into a propane monooxygenase illustrates how substrate-active site complementarity is sufficient to grant catalytic proficiency on a substrate (propane) which cannot be recognized through H-bonding or electrostatic interactions.⁸

To test this hypothesis, we investigated a panel of target compounds structurally related (i.e., core structure related) to the cyclohexane-based probe 1 (pentylcyclohexanol (6), menthol

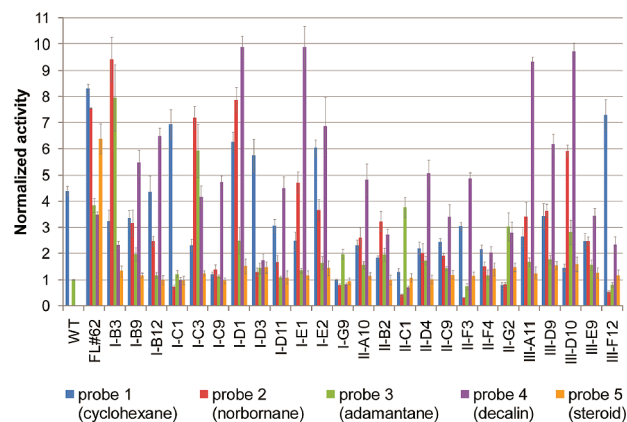


Figure 2. Fingerprints of P450_{BM3} (= WT), FL#62 and 25 FL#62-derived variants from the collection of engineered P450 catalysts. Probe activities are normalized to those of the reference enzyme P450_{BM3}⁻ (F87A). Mean values and standard deviations were calculated from three replicates.

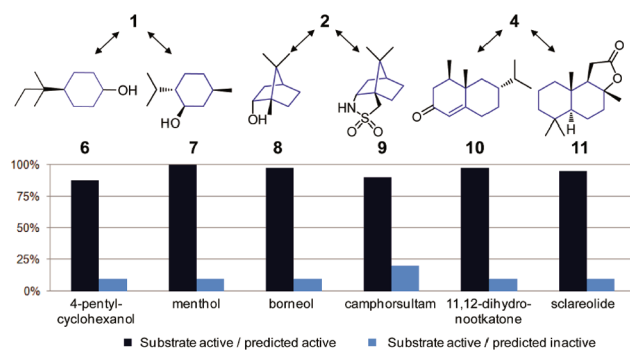


Figure 3. Fraction of catalytically active P450 variants (TTN ≥ 100) among the predicted active (dark blue) and predicted inactive (light blue) members of the P450 collection based on single fingerprint component analysis. The core structure shared by the probes and the target substrates is highlighted in blue.

(7)), the norbornane-based probe 2 (borneol (8), camphorsultam (9)), and the decalin-based probe 4 (11,12-dihydronootkatone (10), sclareolide (11)) (Figure 3). The P450s in the 261-member collection were ranked according to their predicted activity on 6–11 using single fingerprint component analysis, where probe 1-activity was used as predictor for 6- and 7-activity, probe 2-activity as predictor for 8- and 9-activity, and probe 4-activity as predictor for 10- and 11-activity. The 40 top-ranking P450s for each substrate pair were extracted from the collection and tested for hydroxylation activity on the target substrates in reactions in 96-well plates (~ 0.1 mol % P450, KPi pH 8.0, 16 h) followed by GC analysis. For 6, 8, 10, which are most closely related to the probes, activity predictions were confirmed in 87–97% of the cases (activity threshold value: 100 total turnovers, TTN), as summarized in Figure 3. Importantly, excellent rates of correct activity predictions (90–100%) were found also in the context of 7, 9, and 11, which are more distantly related to the probe structures. On average, 78% of the identified P450 variants were found to support more than 400 total turnovers (57%, >750 TTN; 30%, >1000 TTN), indicating that the large majority of the identified P450 catalysts could be already useful for synthesis at preparative scale.⁵ The fingerprint-based activity predictions were further tested by characterizing 10 bottom-ranking P450 variants for each pair of target substrates. These enzymes were

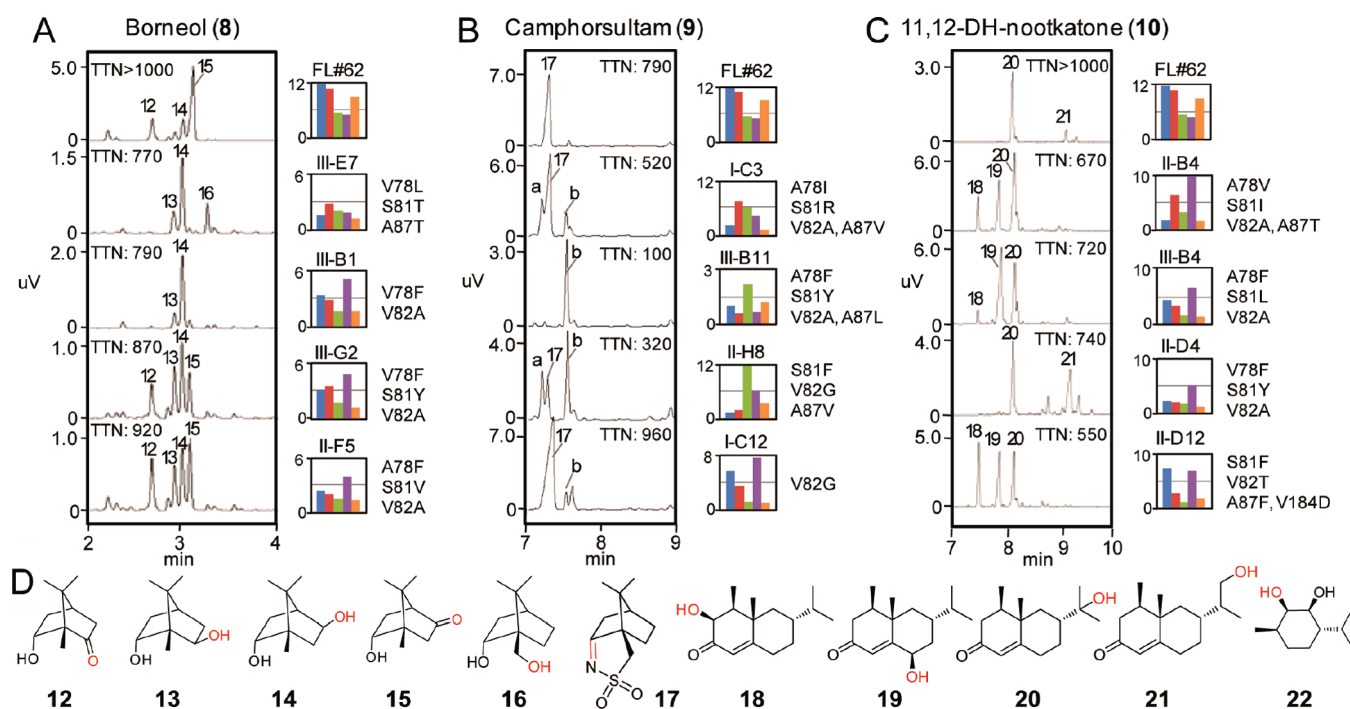


Figure 4. Product distribution (GC), total turnovers (TTN), fingerprints, and amino acid mutations (vs parent enzyme FL#62) of 8-active (A), 9-active (B), and 10-active (C) variants extracted from the P450 collection. GC peak integrations are provided in Tables S2–S4. Amino acid mutations in FL#62 (vs P450_{BM3}) are provided in Table S1. Oxidation products a and b were not characterized. (D) Hydroxylation products isolated from the reactions with 8, 9, 10, and 7.

predicted to be inactive as their fingerprints indicated no activity on 1, 2 or 4, respectively. On average, 88% of these variants showed no detectable oxidation activity on the target substrate (Figure 3), further supporting the reliability of the method and indicating that the rate of ‘missed predictions’ is, on average, less than 15%. Altogether, these studies demonstrated the efficiency of the fingerprint analysis strategy in accelerating the discovery of synthetically useful P450 catalysts for a variety of target compounds (6–11) through simple inspection of their fingerprints.

While the individual fingerprint components were useful to predict substrate acceptance in the P450 variants, we envisioned that inspection of the whole fingerprint could provide a means to anticipate differences in the regioselectivity properties of these enzymes. In P450s, the regio/stereoselectivity of the oxidation reaction depends upon the orientation of the substrate above the distal side of the heme prior to oxidative attack by the oxo-ferryl porphyrin π -cation radical species.^{16,17} This is influenced by the active site configuration of the P450 enzyme, which can be mapped through the described fingerprinting approach. To test this idea, we isolated P450 variants featuring divergent fingerprints and compared the product distribution after reaction with 6–11. With the majority (5/6) of these compounds, P450s with different fingerprints exhibited also important differences in regioselectivity, as illustrated by the examples in Figure 4 (see also Tables S2–S4). This occurred with a frequency of 43% (6), 32% (7), 42% (8), 41% (9), and 45% (10), indicating that a large fraction (~40% on average) of the active site changes captured by fingerprinting affected the binding mode of these substrates during catalysis. With 11, a sole oxidation product ((S)-3-hydroxysclareolide) was obtained with various P450 variants, suggesting that the ability of this compound to adopt alternate orientations within the enzyme active site may be limited. To shed light on the sites

targeted by hydroxylation in 6–10, the major oxidation products were isolated from larger scale reactions (50 mg substrate, 0.2 mol % P450, 24 h) and their identity elucidated by 1D and 2D-NMR (¹H–¹H COSY, HMBC, HSQC, NOESY). The data corresponding to 8 (borneol) and 10 (11,12-dihydronootkatone) are of particular interest because they highlight two key aspects of the overall approach. First, the isolated P450 variants were found to target, collectively, 40% of the *sp*³ C–H sites occurring in these compounds (3/7 and 4/10, respectively), including tertiary, secondary, and even primary positions as indicated in Figure 4D. While the selectivity of these variants for some of these positions is moderate (<40%, Tables S2–S4), these results are remarkable considering the small number of variants tested (40) and their straightforward identification through fingerprinting and fingerprint analysis. Another important finding was that P450-catalyzed hydroxylation in these substrates occurred also at positions which are remote with respect to the reporter functional group in the corresponding probe (e.g., products 13, 14, 19 in Figure 4). Altogether, these studies demonstrate the ability of the described fingerprint-based method not only to expedite the search of P450 oxidation catalysts with diversified regioselectivity but also to enable the discovery of P450s useful for targeting aliphatic positions across the whole carbon skeleton of terpenes structurally related to the fingerprint probes.

Given the observed relationship between fingerprint and regioselectivity, we anticipated that two variants sharing a similar fingerprint would display similar selectivity in substrate oxidation. To test this hypothesis, we isolated three variants from the 78/81/87 library (S-G9, S-C4, S-C2) possessing an identical fingerprint. Characterization of these variants revealed that these enzymes exhibit remarkably similar product profiles across multiple substrates (Figure 5, Table S5). While these P450s differ from each other by up

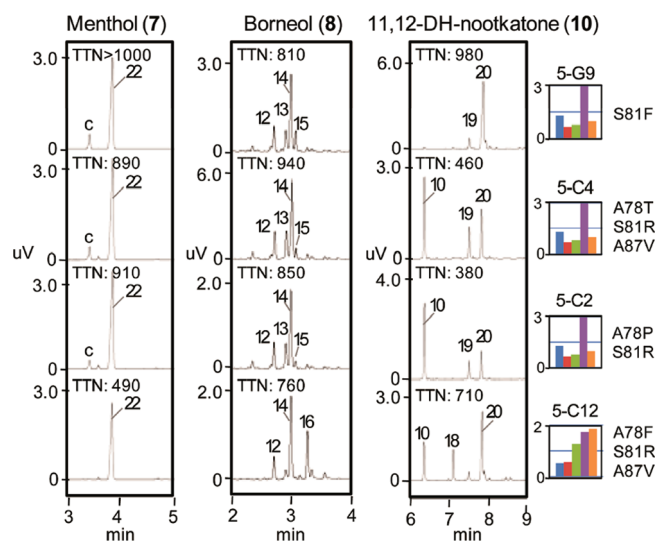


Figure 5. Product distribution (GC), TTNs, fingerprints, and amino acid mutations (vs parent enzyme FL#62) of three P450 variants sharing an identical fingerprint and one having a different fingerprint from the same library. GC peak integrations are provided in Table S5. Oxidation product *c* was not characterized.

to three amino acid substitutions in their active sites, these mutations have apparently resulted in equivalent active site geometries. Notably, this feature could be captured through inspection of their fingerprints. Thus, we conclude that fingerprint analysis could also offer a convenient strategy to identify, within a library of engineered P450s, those that possess a desired type of regioselectivity, once the corresponding fingerprint is known. The total probe activity would provide then a way to recognize, among these variants, the one(s) which are more catalytically efficient as this parameter is related to the number of turnovers supported by the enzyme. For comparison, another P450 variant was extracted from the same library (5-C12) and found to differ from 5-C4 by a single amino acid (V78 vs F78). Interestingly, this single amino acid substitution causes a remarkable change in the active site configuration of the enzyme as evinced from the difference in the product distribution with 7, 8, and 10 and as it could be anticipated from comparison of the respective fingerprints (Figure 5).

In summary, we have reported an efficient and time-effective method to gain insights regarding the reactivity and regioselectivity properties of a P450 enzyme. This approach is amenable to the high-throughput screening of engineered P450 libraries and offers the unprecedented capability to allow for the rapid identification of P450 variants with diversified regioselectivity as well as variants with a specific type of regioselectivity (via fingerprint comparison) within such libraries. We expect this method to prove valuable in the development of P450 catalysts for the functionalization of unactivated C–H bonds in complex terpenes via P450-mediated synthesis.

■ ASSOCIATED CONTENT

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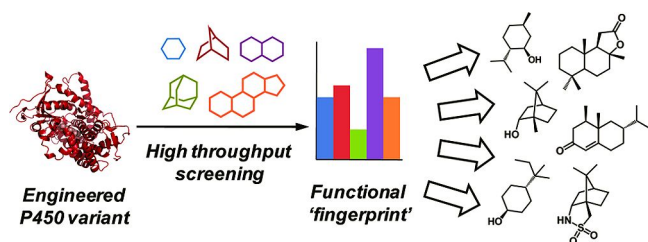
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Figure S1. Fingerprints of P450_{BM3} (=WT) and ten functionally diverse engineered P450_{BM3} variants. Probe activity was determined based on absorbance at 550 nm and normalized to the highest value in the series. Mean values and standard deviations were calculated from three replicates.

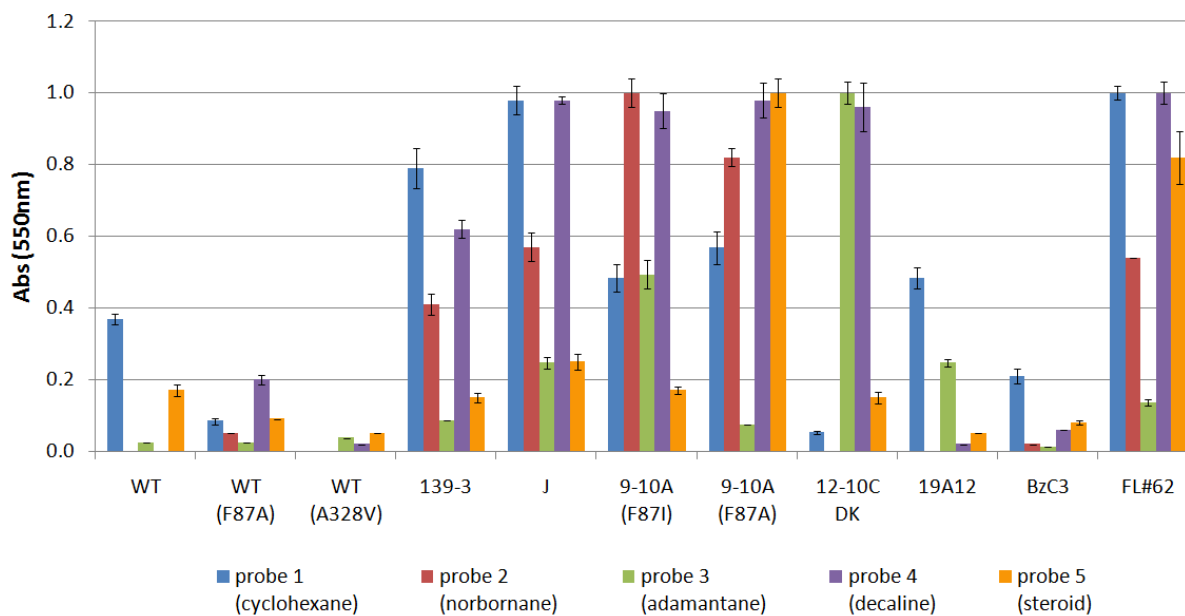


Table S1. Sequences of the P450_{BM3} variants described in Figure S1.

| Enzyme | Amino acid mutations compared to wildtype P450_{BM3} | Ref. |
|--------------------|---|-------------|
| WT(F87A) | F87A | 1 |
| WT(A328V) | A328V | 1 |
| 139-3 | V78A, H138Y, T175I, V178I, A184V, H236Q, E252G, R255S, A290V, A295T, L353V | 1,2 |
| J | V78A, T175I, A184V, F205C, S226R, H236Q, E252G, R255S, A290V, L353V | 1,3 |
| 9-10A(F87I) | R47C, V78A, F87I, K94I, P142S, T175I, A184V, F205C, S226R, H236Q, E252G, R255S, A290V, L353V | 1 |
| 9-10A(F87A) | R47C, V78A, F87I, K94I, P142S, T175I, A184V, F205C, S226R, H236Q, E252G, R255S, A290V, L353V | 1 |
| 12-10C-DK | V78A, A82G, F87V, P142S, T175I, A184V, F205C, S226R, H236Q, E252G, R255S, A290V, A328V, L353V | 1 |
| 19A12 | R47C, L52I, V78F, A82S, K94I, P142S, T175I, A184V, L188P, F205C, S226R, H236Q, E252G, R255S, A290V, A328F, L353V, I366V, E464G, I710T | 4 |
| BzC3 | V78A, F81P, A82L, F87A, P142S, T175I, A180T, A184V, A197V, F205C, S226R, H236Q, E252G, R255S, A290V, L353V | 1 |
| FL#62 | V78A, F81S, A82V, F87A, P142S, T175I, A180T, A184V, A197V, F205C, S226R, H236Q, E252G, R255S, A290V, L353V | This study |

Table S2. Regioselectivity of **8**-active P450 variants described in Figure 4A.

| P450 variant | Substrate | Oxidation products | | | | |
|--------------|-----------|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| | | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| FL#62 | 8 | 16% | | 11% | 73% | |
| III-E7 | 8 | | 15% | 69% | | 16% |
| III-B1 | 8 | | 11% | 89% | | |
| III-G2 | 8 | 20% | 16% | 49% | 15% | |
| II-F5 | 8 | 43% | 14% | 18% | 25% | |

Table S3. Regioselectivity of **9**-active P450 variants described in Figure 4B.

| P450 variant | Substrate | Oxidation products | | |
|--------------|-----------|--------------------|-----|----------------|
| | | a [*] | 17 | b [*] |
| FL#62 | 9 | 7% | 93% | |
| I-C3 | 9 | 16% | 72% | 12% |
| III-B11 | 9 | | | 100% |
| II-H8 | 9 | 26% | 22% | 52% |
| I-C12 | 9 | 82% | 7% | 52% |

(*) Not isolated.

Table S4. Regioselectivity of **10**-active P450 variants described in Figure 4C.

| P450 variant | Substrate | Oxidation products | | | |
|--------------|-----------|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| | | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| FL#62 | 10 | | | 89% | 11% |
| II-B4 | 10 | 15% | 22% | 63% | |
| III-B4 | 10 | 16% | 48% | 36% | |
| II-D4 | 10 | | | 52% | 38% |
| II-D12 | 10 | 40% | 32% | 28% | |

Table S5. Regioselectivity of P450 variants 5-G9, 5-C4, 5-C2, and 5-C12 in the oxidation of **7**, **8**, and **10** (Figure 5).

| Substrate | Enzyme | Products | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | | 22 | c* | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 7 | 5-G9 | 89% | 11% | | | | | | | | |
| 7 | 5-C4 | 91% | 9% | | | | | | | | |
| 7 | 5-C2 | 93% | 7% | | | | | | | | |
| 7 | 5-C12 | 100% | | | | | | | | | |
| 8 | 5-G9 | | | 12% | 10% | 69% | 9% | | | | |
| 8 | 5-C4 | | | 12% | 10% | 76% | 2% | | | | |
| 8 | 5-C2 | | | 12% | 10% | 76% | 2% | | | | |
| 8 | 5-C12 | | | 15% | | 65% | | 20% | | | |
| 10 | 5-G9 | | | | | | | | 15% | 85% | |
| 10 | 5-C4 | | | | | | | | 30% | 70% | |
| 10 | 5-C2 | | | | | | | | 31% | 69% | |
| 10 | 5-C12 | | | | | | | | 26% | 8% | 56% |

(*) Not isolated.

Table S6. Sequence of the oligonucleotides used for the preparation of the P450 libraries.

| Primer | Sequence |
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| 78nnk_for | 5'-AATTTNKKCGTGATAGTGTGGG-3' |
| 78nnk_rev | 5'-ACACTATCACGMNNAATT-3' |
| 81nnk_for | 5'-CGTGATNNKGTGGGAGACGGGTTA-3' |
| 81nnk_rev | 5'-TAACCCGTCTCCCACMNNATCACG-3' |
| 87nnk_for | 5'-GACGGGTTANNKACAAGCTGGACGCATG-3' |
| 87nnk_rev | 5'-CATGCGTCCAGCTTGTMNNTAACCCGTC-3' |
| 181nnk_for | 5'-CGTGCANNKGATGAAGTAATGAACAAGC-3' |
| 181nnk_rev | 5'-GCTTGTTCACTTTCATCMNNTGCACG-3' |
| 184nnk_for | 5'-GCACTGGATGAANNKATGAACAAG-3' |
| 184nnk_rev | 5'-CTTGTTTCATMNNTTCATCCAGTGC-3' |
| 78-87nnk_for | 5'-AATTTNKKCGTGATAGTGTGGGAGACGGGTTANNKACAA-3' |
| 78-87nnk_rev | 5'-TTGTMNNTAACCCGTCTCCCACACTATCACGMNNAATT-3' |
| 78-81-82nnk_for | 5'-AATTTNKKCGTGATNNKNNKGGAGACGGGTTA-3' |
| 78-81-82nnk_rev | 5'-TAACCCGTCTCCMNNMNNATCACGMNNAATT-3' |
| 81-82nnk_for | 5'-CGCACGTGATNNKNNKGGAGACGGGTTA-3' |
| 81-82nnk_rev | 5'-TAACCCGTCTCCMNNMNNATCACGTGCG-3' |
| 181-184nnk_for | 5'-GTCCGTGCANNKGATGAANNKATGAACAAG-3' |
| 181-184nnk_rev | 5'-CTTGTTTCATMNNTTCCTAMNNTGCACGGAC-3' |

Materials, Methods, and Experimental Procedures

Reagents and Analytical Methods. Chemical reagents, substrates and solvents were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich, Acros Organics, and Fluka. Silica gel chromatography purifications were carried out using AMD Silica Gel 60 230-400 mesh. Gas chromatography (GC) analyses were carried out using a Shimadzu GC-2010 gas chromatograph, a FID detector, and an Agilent HP5 column (30 m x 0.32 mm x 0.1 μm film). LC-MS analyses were carried out on a Thermo Fisher LTQ Velos ESI-IT mass spectrometer. 1D and 2D NMR experiments were carried out on a Bruker 500 MHz spectrometer. Data for ^1H NMR spectra are reported in the conventional form: chemical shift (δ ppm), multiplicity (s=singlet, d=doublet, t=triplet, q=quartet, m=multiplet, br=broad), coupling constant (Hz), integration). Data for ^{13}C NMR spectra are reported in terms of chemical shift (δ ppm). The oligonucleotides for the mutagenesis experiments were obtained from IDT DNA Technology. Restriction enzymes were purchased from New England Biolabs.

Protein expression and purification. P450s were expressed from pCWori-based vectors containing the P450 gene under the control of a double *tac* promoter (BamH I/ EcoR I cassette). Typically, cultures of recombinant DH5 α cells in Terrific Broth (TB) medium (ampicillin, 100 mg L $^{-1}$) were grown at 37°C (230 rpm) until OD $_{600}$ reached 1.0 and then induced with 0.25 mM β -D-1-thiogalactopyranoside (IPTG) and 0.3 mM δ -aminolevulinic acid (ALA). After induction, cultures were shaken at 200 rpm and 27 °C and harvested after 18 hrs by centrifugation at 4,000 rpm. Cell lysates were prepared by sonication and loaded on Q resin. P450s were then eluted from the column using 20 mM Tris, 340 mM NaCl, pH 8.0. After buffer exchange (50 mM potassium phosphate buffer, pH 8.0), the enzymes were stored at -80 °C. P450 concentration was determined from CO binding difference spectra ($\epsilon_{450-500} = 91,000 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$). The vector encoding for the thermostable phosphite dehydrogenase (PTDH) variant Opt13 was provided by

the Zhao group.⁵ PTDH was overexpressed from pET15b-based vectors in BL21(DE3) cells and purified using Ni-affinity chromatography according to the published procedure.⁵

Construction of P450 libraries. Site-saturation mutagenesis libraries were prepared using pCWori_FL#62 as template, primers BamHI_2_fwd (5'-GGAAACAGGATCCATCGATGC-3') and SacI_2_rev (5'-AATATCGAGCTCGTAGTTTGTATGATC-3') as megaprimers, and the oligonucleotides described in Table S6 as mutagenizing primers. The double site mutagenesis library 78NNK/87NNK was prepared by PCR overlap extension mutagenesis and SOEing using 78-87nnk_for and 78-87nnk_rev as primers and pCWori_RF#62 as template. Triple mutant libraries (78/81/87NNK, 78/87/181NNK, 78/87/184NNK) were prepared using the 78/87NNK library as template and the respective mutagenizing primers for position 81, position 181 and position 184 in Table S6. Quadruple site mutagenesis libraries (78/81/82/87NNK, 81/82/87/184NNK) were prepared through sequential rounds of mutagenesis, library pooling, followed by further mutagenesis. The SOE products (1.5 Kbp) were digested with *BamH* I and *Sac* I restriction enzymes and ligated to *BamH* I/*Sac* I double-digested pCWori_FL#62 vector. The ligation mixtures were transformed in chemically competent DH5 α cells and plated on LB agar plates containing ampicillin at 100 μ g/mL followed by overnight incubation at 37 °C.

Expression of P450 libraries in 96-well plates. 96-deep well plates containing 400 μ L LB medium (100 mg ampicillin L⁻¹) per well were inoculated with single colonies from the P450 libraries. Between 300 and 1,000 recombinant clones were screened from each library and the total number of screened P450 variants was ~10,000. In each plate, 8 wells were inoculated with the parent enzyme FL#62. After inoculation, the plates were shaken at 200 rpm and 37 °C for 16 hours. The LB plates were used to inoculate a second set of 96-deep well plates containing 900 μ L Terrific Broth (TB) medium (100 mg ampicillin L⁻¹). TB plates were incubated for at 37 °C

and 200 rpm until the OD₆₀₀ reached 1.0, at which point cells were induced with 0.25 mM β-D-1-thiogalactopyranoside (IPTG) and 0.3 mM δ-aminolevulinic acid (ALA). After induction, plates were incubated at 30 °C and 200 rpm for 18 hrs, followed by centrifugation at 3500 rpm, and stored at –80 °C after removal of the supernatant.

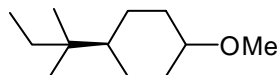
Fingerprinting of P450 libraries in 96-well plates. Cell lysates were prepared by adding 400 μL lysis solution (4 U deoxyribonuclease I, 0.8 mg/mL lysozyme, 10 mM MgCl₂, 50 mM phosphate buffer, pH 7.5) to each well of the 96-well plates. After incubation for 70 min at 37°C, the plates were centrifuged at 4,000 rpm and the clarified lysate used for screening. P450 demethylation activity on probe **1-5** was measured in parallel reactions with the aid of a Beckman Coulter Multimek 96 automated pipettor and a TECAN Infinity plate reader. Reactions were carried out in 96-well microtiter plates by mixing 50 μL cell lysate with 150 μL 50 mM phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) containing the probe (final concentrations: 1 mM) and a phosphite dehydrogenase (PTDH)-based cofactor regeneration system (final concentrations: 1.8 μM PTDH, 50 mM sodium phosphite, 150 μM NADP⁺). After incubation for 1 hour at room temperature, plates were added with 50 μL 2 M NaOH containing 150 mM Purpald and the absorbance at 550 nm measured using the plate reader. The measured demethylation activity of each P450 variant on the five probes was then normalized to the activity of the parent enzyme FL#62 from the same plate. The resulting normalized fingerprints were analyzed to identify the P450 variants in the libraries which exhibit a unique fingerprint, where the discriminating criterion was a difference larger than ± 20% in at least one of the fingerprint components (261 P450s in total, 21% of the screened variants). Recombinant cells expressing the P450 variants with a unique fingerprint were isolated and arranged in 96-well plates containing P450_{BM3}(F87A) as reference P450. The P450 variants of this collection were fingerprinted as described above

using the probe activity of P450_{BM3}(F87A) for fingerprint normalization. The final normalized fingerprints correspond to the mean value obtained from three independent experiments.

P450 activity predictions on substrates 6-11 and *in vitro* activity measurements. P450 activity predictions towards **6** and **7** were carried out by ranking the normalized fingerprints of the 261-member P450 collection based on component **1** (= corresponding to activity on probe **1**) from high to low. Forty of the top-ranking P450 variants (= predicted to be most active in hydroxylating **6** and **7**), and ten of the bottom-ranking variants (= predicted to be inactive on **6** and **7**), were extracted from the collection, expressed in 96-well plates, and tested for activity on **6** and **7** as detailed below. An analogous procedure was applied for the P450 activity predictions on **8/9** and **10/11** with the difference that fingerprint ranking was in this case based on component **2** and component **4**, respectively. The hydroxylation activity of the isolated P450s on the target substrates was determined through reactions using cell lysates from cultures grown in 96-deep well plates. 250 μ L lysate was mixed with 250 μ L 50 mM phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) containing the target substrate (final concentration: 1 mM) and the cofactor regeneration system (final concentrations: 1.8 μ M PTDH, 50 mM Na₂HPO₃, 150 μ M NADP⁺). P450 concentration in the cell lysate was determined from CO-binding difference spectra ($\epsilon_{450-500} = 91,000 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$). Reactions were shaken for 16 hrs at room temperature, then added with 10 μ L 50 mM guaiacol (internal standard), and extracted with 200 μ L CH₂Cl₂. The organic fractions were analyzed on a Shimadzu GC-2010 using an Agilent HP5 column (30 m x 0.32 mm x 0.1 μ m film), 1 μ L injection, FID detector and the following separation method: 4-pentylcyclohexanol (**6**) (210 °C inlet, 260 °C detector, 120 °C oven, 12 °C/min gradient to 200 °C, 50 °C/min gradient to 240 °C, 240 °C for 1 min.); (-)-menthol (**7**) (260 °C inlet, 260 °C detector, 100 °C oven, 12 °C/min gradient to 180 °C, 50 °C/min gradient to 240 °C, 240 °C for 1 min.); (-

-borneol (**8**), (+)-camphorsultam (**9**) and 11,12-dihydronootkatone (**10**) (260 °C inlet, 260 °C detector, 120 °C oven, 12 °C/min gradient to 220 °C, 220 °C for 1 min., 20 °C/min gradient to 250 °C, 250 °C for 1 min.); sclareolide (**11**) (250 °C inlet, 300 °C detector, 130 °C oven, 12 °C/min gradient to 200 °C, 200 °C for 5 min., 100 °C/min gradient to 300 °C, 300 °C for 4 min.). The total turnovers of the P450 variants on the target compounds **6-11** were estimated based on the GC peak areas corresponding to the observed oxidation products.

Synthesis of 4-pentylcyclohexanol methyl ether (probe 1).



1

Under argon, to a solution of 4-pentylcyclohexanol (2.0 g, 11.75 mmol) in anhydrous THF (60 mL), NaH was added (60%, 0.94 g, 23.5 mmol) at 0 °C and stirred for 30 minutes, followed by the addition of dimethyl sulfate (1.68 mL, 17.62 mmol). The mixture was refluxed for 12 hrs and cooled to 0 °C. The reaction was quenched with saturated ammonium chloride solution (20 mL). THF was removed under vacuum and the residue was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 25 mL). The collected organic portion was dried with Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate: 15/1) to provide probe **1** (2.0 g, quant.) as a colorless liquid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.79-0.85 (m, 10 H), 1.28-1.38 (m, 7 H), 1.46 (br, 2 H), 2.02 (br, 2 H), 3.32 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.1, 20.9 (2 carbons), 24.1 (2 carbons), 30.2 (2 carbons), 32.6, 34.8, 45.2, 55.5, 74.8; MS (ESI) calcd for C₁₂H₂₅O [M+H]⁺/z: 185.19; found: 185.31.

Synthesis of (-)-borneol methyl ether (probe 2).

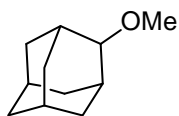


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Under argon, to the solution of (-)-borneol (1.2 g, 7.79 mmol) in anhydrous THF (40 mL), NaH (60%, 0.62 g, 23.5 mmol) was added at 0 °C and stirred for 30 min, followed by the addition of dimethyl sulfonate (1.11 mL, 11.68 mmol). The mixture was refluxed for 12 hrs and cooled to 0°C. The reaction was quenched with saturated ammonium chloride solution (20 mL). THF was

removed under vacuum and the residue was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 20 mL). The collected organic portion was dried with Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography (hexanes/dichloromethane: 2/1) to provide probe **2** (1.05 g, 80%) as a colorless liquid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.88-0.90 (m, 6 H), 0.92 (s, 3 H), 1.04-1.07 (dd, 1 H, *J* = 13.2 Hz, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 1.23-1.29 (m, 2 H), 1.68 (dd, 1 H, *J* = 4.7 Hz, *J* = 4.7 Hz), 1.74 (m, 1 H), 1.96 (m, 1 H), 2.18 (m, 1 H), 3.36 (s, 3 H), 3.53 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 14.0, 18.8, 19.8, 26.6, 28.3, 35.8, 44.9, 47.9, 49.0, 57.7, 86.7; MS (ESI) calcd for C₁₁H₂₁O [M+H]⁺/*z*: 169.16; found: 169.32.

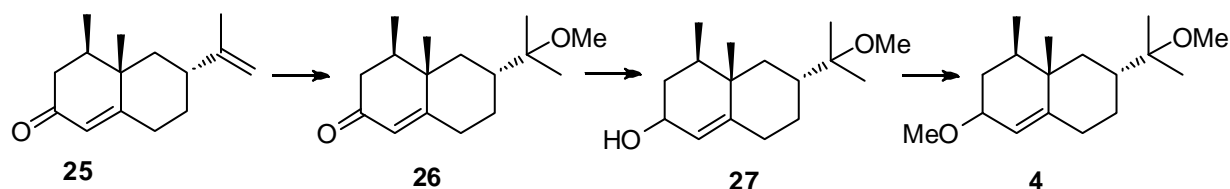
Synthesis of 2-adamantanol methyl ether (probe 3).



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Under argon, to the solution of 2-adamantanol (1.2 g, 7.79 mmol) in anhydrous THF (40 mL), NaH (60%, 0.62 g, 23.5 mmol) was added at 0 °C and stirred for 30 min, followed by the addition of dimethyl sulfate (1.11 mL, 11.68 mmol). The mixture was refluxed for 12 hrs and cooled to 0 °C. The reaction was quenched with saturated ammonium chloride solution (20 mL). THF was removed under vacuum and the residue was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 20 mL). The collected organic portion was dried with Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography (hexanes/dichloromethane: 2/1) to provide probe **3** (1.05 g, 80%) as a colorless liquid. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 1.49-1.54 (m, 2 H), 1.67-1.72 (m, 2 H), 1.75 (br, 2 H), 1.80-1.92 (m, 4 H), 2.02-2.09 (m, 4 H), 3.36-3.39 (m, 4 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 27.4, 27.5, 31.3 (2 carbons), 31.4 (2 carbons), 36.5 (2 carbons), 37.6, 55.2, 83.3; MS (ESI) calcd for C₁₁H₁₉O [M+H]⁺/*z*: 167.14; found: 167.24.

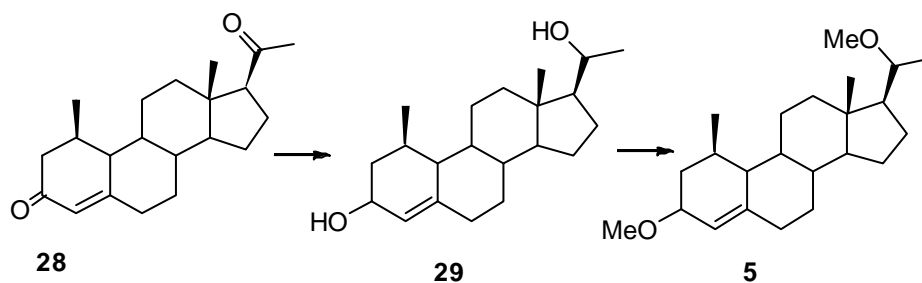
Synthesis of (1*R*,7*R*,9*S*)-3-methoxy-1,2,3,5,6,7,8,9-octahydro-1,9-dimethyl-7-(1'-methoxy-1'-methylethyl) naphthalene (probe 4).



A solution of nootkatone **25** (500 mg, 2.3 mmol) in 20 mL methanol was prepared and added with 1 mL concentrated hydrochloride acid. The reaction was refluxed for 12 hrs and quenched with saturated NaHCO₃ solution. After removal of methanol under vacuum, the residue was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 x 15 mL). The organic fraction was dried with anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated and purified by flash chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate: 8/1) to afford **26** (402 mg, 73%). Sodium borohydride (190 mg, 5.0 mmol) was added to the solution of **26** in methanol (10 mL) at 0 °C and stirred for 2 hrs at 0 °C. The reaction was quenched with 2 mL ice-cold water. The methanol was removed under vacuum and the residue was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 x 15 mL). The organic fraction was dried with anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated to provide compound **27** in quantitative yield. Under argon, to a solution of compound **27** (0.4 g, 1.65 mmol) in anhydrous THF (15 mL), NaH (60%, 0.17 g, 6.61 mmol) was added at 0 °C and stirred for 30 min followed by the addition of dimethyl sulfate (0.47 mL, 4.95 mmol). The mixture was refluxed for 6 hrs and cooled to 0 °C. The reaction was quenched with saturated ammonium chloride solution (20 mL). THF was removed under vacuum and the residue was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 10 mL). The collected organic portion was dried with Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate: 5/1) to afford probe **4** (0.38 g, 90%) as a light yellow liquid. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.82 (m, 1 H), 0.96 (d, 3 H, J = 6.92 Hz), 1.00 (s, 3 H), 1.07 (m, 1 H), 1.11 (s, 3 H), 1.14 (s, 3 H), 1.42 (m, 1 H),

1.53 (m, 1 H), 1.80-1.93 (m, 3 H), 2.17 (m, 1 H), 2.34 (m, 1 H), 3.22 (s, 3 H), 3.23 (s, 3 H), 3.88 (m, 1 H), 5.35 (m, 2 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 15.6, 18.2, 22.2, 22.4, 28.8, 32.6, 33.1, 38.2, 39.2, 40.1, 40.6, 48.6, 53.4, 55.4, 76.4, 121.3, 146.8; MS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{31}\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+ / z$: 267.23; found: 267.58

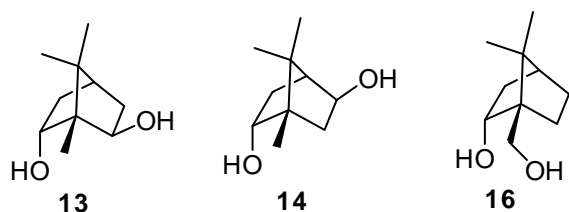
Synthesis of 3,20-dimethoxy-pregn-4-ene (probe 5).



Sodium borohydride (960 mg, 25.5 mmol) was added to the solution of progesterone **28** (2 g, 6.37 mmol) in methanol (25 mL) at 0 °C and stirred for 2 hrs at 0 °C. The reaction was quenched with 10 mL ice-cold water. Methanol was removed under vacuum and the residue was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (2 x 30 mL). The organic fraction was dried with anhydrous Na_2SO_4 and concentrated to provide compound **29** in quantitative yield. Under argon, to the solution of compound **29** (1.9 g, 6.01 mmol) in anhydrous THF (50 mL), NaH (60%, 0.62 g, 24.04 mmol) was added at 0 °C and stirred for 30 min followed by the addition of dimethyl sulfate (4.35 mL, 18.03 mmol). The mixture was refluxed for 12 hrs and cooled to 0 °C. The reaction was quenched with saturated ammonium chloride solution (25 mL). THF was removed under vacuum and the residue was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 x 20 mL). The collected organic portion was dried with Na_2SO_4 and concentrated. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate: 12/1) to provide probe **5** (1.65 g, 80%) as a white solid. ^1H NMR (500

MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.73 (s, 3 H), 0.79 (m, 1 H), 0.92 (m, 1 H), 1.00 (s, 3 H), 1.02 (m, 1 H), 1.08 (s, 3 H), 1.08-1.52 (m, 9 H), 1.67 (m, 2 H), 1.76 (m, 2 H), 1.99-2.14 (m, 3 H), 2.24 (m, 1 H), 3.23 (m, 1 H), 3.32 (s, 3 H), 3.40 (s, 3 H), 3.78 (m, 1 H), 5.37 (s, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 12.5, 17.7, 18.8, 20.9, 24.4, 25.2, 25.7, 32.3, 33.1, 35.2, 35.8, 37.6, 39.6, 42.4, 54.6, 55.3, 55.4, 55.5, 56.5, 76.4, 79.3, 120.4, 147.9; MS (ESI) calcd for C₂₃H₃₉O₂ [M+H]⁺/z: 347.30; found: 347.62.

Isolation and identification of (-)-borneol oxidation products.



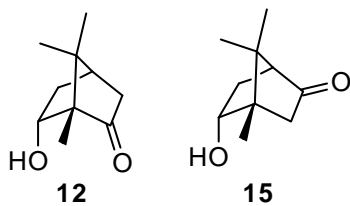
To isolate compounds **13**, **14**, and **16**, a large scale reaction (250 mL) was set up with P450 mutant III-E7 (1 μ M) in 50 mM phosphate buffer (pH 8.0) in the presence of (-)-borneol (38 mg, final conc.: 1 mM), PTDH at 2 μ M, NADP⁺ at 150 μ M, and sodium phosphite at 50 mM. The mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature. After removal of the enzyme through filtration, the filtrate was loaded on a C18 resin column and the hydroxylated products eluted with acetonitrile. The eluate was dried with Na₂SO₄, concentrated in vacuum, and purified by flash chromatography (dichloromethane/hexanes/ethyl acetate: 2/1/1) to afford **13** (6 mg), **14** (26 mg) and **16** (4 mg).

Compound 13 ((2R,6R)-1-methyl-2-hydroxy-7,7-dimethyl-bicyclo[2,2,1]hept-6-ol). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.84 (s, 6 H), 0.92-0.95 (dd, 1 H, J = 12.8 Hz, J = 3.2 Hz), 1.02 (s, 3 H), 1.79 (dd, 1 H, J = 4.6 Hz, J = 4.6 Hz), 1.84-1.89 (m, 1 H), 1.92-1.97 (dd, 1 H, J = 12.6 Hz, J = 7.6 Hz), 2.26-2.32 (m, 1 H), 4.09-4.12 (dd, 1 H, J = 10 Hz, J = 3.8 Hz), 4.37-4.39 (dd, 1 H, J =

8.3 Hz, $J = 3.9$ Hz). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 9.0, 19.3, 21.0, 37.8, 41.0, 44.9, 47.3, 52.5, 69.5, 74.8$; MS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+/\text{z}$: 171.14; found: 171.18.

Compound 14 ((1*S*,2*R*,5*S*)-1-methyl-2-hydroxy-7,7-dimethyl-bicyclo[2,2,1]hept-5-ol). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 0.80\text{-}0.97$ (m, 7 H), 1.16 (s, 3 H), 1.44 (d, 1 H, $J = 13.8$ Hz), 1.76 (d, 1 H, $J = 5.1$ Hz), 2.33 (m, 1 H), 2.41 (dd, 1 H, $J = 13.8$ Hz, $J = 7.8$ Hz), 3.92-3.97 (m, 2 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 12.4, 19.3, 20.8, 36.1, 38.4, 47.2, 46.9, 53.0, 74.4, 74.6$; MS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+/\text{z}$: 171.14; found: 171.26.

Compound 16 ((1*S*,2*R*)-1-hydroxymethyl-2-hydroxy-7,7-dimethyl-bicyclo[2,2,1]heptanes). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 0.96$ (s, 3 H), 0.98 (s, 3 H), 1.02-1.05 (dd, 1 H, $J = 11.8$ Hz, $J = 3.3$ Hz), 1.33-1.50 (m, 2 H), 1.68 (dd, 1 H, $J = 4.6$ Hz, $J = 4.6$ Hz), 1.83-1.91 (m, 1 H), 2.3-2.4 (m, 2 H), 3.75 (d, 1 H, $J = 10.6$ Hz), 3.8 (d, 1 H, $J = 10.6$ Hz), 4.49- 4.53 (m, 1 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 19.2, 20.6, 22.7, 28.0, 29.6, 33.7, 38.4, 46.1, 66.4, 75.3$; MS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+/\text{z}$: 171.14; found: 171.22.



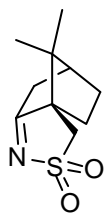
To isolate compounds **12** and **15**, a large scale reaction (250 mL) was set up with P450 mutant II-E1 (1 μM) in 50 mM phosphate buffer (pH 8.0) in the presence of (-)-borneol (38 mg, final conc.: 1 mM), PTDH at 2 μM , NADP^+ at 150 μM , and sodium phosphite at 50 mM and stirred at room temperature overnight. The hydroxylated products were isolated by solid-phase extraction using a C_{18} column as described above. The eluate was dried with Na_2SO_4 , concentrated in

vacuum, and purified by flash chromatography (dichloromethane/diethyl ether: 2/1) to afford a mixture (28 mg) of **12** and **15** in 3:1 ratio.

Compound 12 ((1*S*,2*R*)-1-methyl-2-hydroxy-7,7-dimethyl-bicyclo[2,2,1]hept-6-one). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.98 (s, 3 H), 1.01 (s, 3 H), 1.07 (s, 3 H), 1.33-1.37 (dd, 1 H, *J* = 14.4 Hz, *J* = 3.68 Hz), 1.93-1.97 (m, 1 H), 2.19 (d, 1 H, *J* = 5.8 Hz), 2.53-2.59 (m, 1 H), 2.66-2.69 (d, 1 H, *J* = 18.5 Hz), 4.27-4.30 (ddd, 1 H, *J* = 9.3 Hz, *J* = 3.7 Hz, *J* = 1.7 Hz). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 12.6, 17.5, 20.6, 33.6, 40.8, 47.3, 50.3, 60.1, 75.1, 216.6; MS (ESI) calcd for C₁₀H₁₇O₂ [M+H]⁺/*z*: 169.12; found: 169.28.

Compound 15 ((1*S*,2*R*)-1-methyl-2-hydroxy-7,7-dimethyl-bicyclo[2,2,1]hept-5-one). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.84 (s, 3 H), 1.03 (s, 3 H), 1.04 (s, 3 H), 1.36-1.40 (dd, 1 H, *J* = 14.6 Hz, *J* = 3.52 Hz), 2.02-2.03 (d, 1 H, *J* = 18.5 Hz), 2.23 (dd, 1 H, *J* = 2.4 Hz, *J* = 2.4 Hz), 2.45-2.51 (m, 1 H), 2.53-2.63 (m, 1 H), 4.21-4.24 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 15.9, 19.7, 25.6, 37.6, 38.8, 43.5, 44.2, 56.5, 75.8, 201; MS (ESI) calcd for C₁₀H₁₇O₂ [M+H]⁺/*z*: 169.12; found: 169.24.

Isolation and identification of (+)-camphorsultam oxidation products.



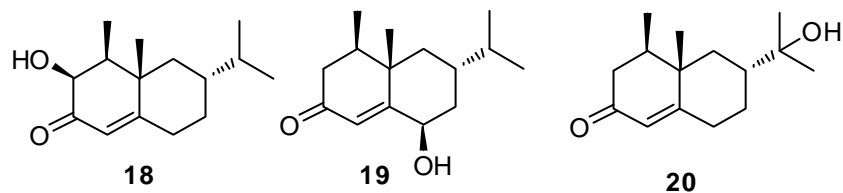
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To isolate compounds **17**, a large scale reaction (250 mL) was set up with P450 mutant III-H2 (2 μM) in 50 mM phosphate buffer (pH 8.0) in the presence of (+)-10,2-camphorsultam (54 mg, final conc.: 1 mM), PTDH at 2 μM, NADP⁺ at 150 μM, and sodium phosphite at 50 mM. The

mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature. After removal of the enzyme through filtration, the filtrate was loaded on a C18 resin column and the hydroxylated products eluted with acetonitrile. The eluate was dried with Na₂SO₄, concentrated in vacuum, and purified by flash chromatography (gradient from 10 to 40% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford **17** (32 mg).

Compound 17 (camphorsulfonimine). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.92 (s, 3 H), 1.13 (s, 3 H), 1.50 (m, 1 H), 1.83 (m, 1 H), 2.07-2.15 (m, 2 H), 2.30 (m, 1 H), 2.43 (d, 1 H, *J* = 18.8 Hz), 2.82 (m, 1 H), 3.02 (d, 1 H, *J* = 13.2 Hz), 3.23 (d, 1 H, *J* = 13.2 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 18.9, 19.4, 26.6, 28.3, 35.9, 44.5, 47.9, 49.4, 64.5, 195.1; MS (ESI) calcd for C₁₀H₁₆NO₂S [M+H]⁺/*z*: 214.09; found:214.42.

Isolation and identification of 11,12-dihydronootkatone oxidation products.

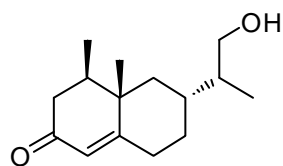


To isolate **18**, **19**, and **20**, a large scale reaction (250 mL) was set up with P450 mutant II-B4 (2 μM) in 50 mM phosphate buffer (pH 8) in the presence of 11,12-dihydronootkatone (63 mg, final conc.: 1 mM), PTDH at 2 μM, NADP⁺ at 150 μM, and sodium phosphite at 50 mM. The reaction mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature. The hydroxylated products were isolated by solid-phase extraction using a C₁₈ column and eluted with acetonitrile. The eluate was dried with Na₂SO₄, concentrated in vacuum, and purified by flash chromatography (from hexanes/ethyl acetate: 10/1 to dichloromethane/hexanes/ethyl acetate: 2/2/1) to afford **18** (4 mg), **19** (10 mg), **20** (18 mg), and unreacted 11,12-dihydronootkatone (25 mg recovered).

Compound 18 ((3*S*,4*S*,6*R*,10*S*)-3-hydroxy-4,10-dimethyl-6-isopropyl-1-en-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexahydronaphthalen -2-one). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.93-0.96 (m, 9 H), 1.08-1.16 (m, 1 H), 1.28 (s, 3 H), 1.44-1.50 (m, 1 H), 1.65-1.80 (m, 3 H), 2.05-2.12 (m, 2 H), 2.28-2.32 (m, 1 H), 2.50-2.57 (ddd, 1 H, *J* = 13.6 Hz, *J* = 13.5 Hz, *J* = 1.2 Hz), 4.45 (d, 1 H, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 5.88 (d, 1 H, *J* = 1.1 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.7, 20.0, 20.2, 22.8, 29.7, 32.5, 33.1, 38.6, 41.2, 42.5, 44.0, 73.1, 119.4, 171.9, 200.1; MS (ESI) calcd for C₁₅H₂₅O₂ [M+H]⁺/*z*: 237.19; found: 237.43.

Compound 19 ((4*R*,6*S*,8*R*,10*S*)-8-hydroxy-4,10-dimethyl-6-isopropyl-1-en-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexahydronaphthalen -2-one). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.95-1.04 (m, 7 H), 1.28 (s, 3 H), 1.33 (s, 3 H), 1.35-1.41 (m, 1 H), 1.52-1.6 (m, 1 H), 1.91-1.96 (m, 1 H), 1.99-2.08 (m, 3 H), 2.28-2.43 (m, 2 H), 4.48 (dd, 1 H, *J* = 2.7 Hz, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 5.90 (s, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 14.6, 18.2, 19.5, 19.7, 32.1, 32.5, 36.1, 38.7, 41.3, 41.8, 42.4, 73.7, 127.0, 169.2, 200.7; MS (ESI) calcd for C₁₅H₂₅O₂ [M+H]⁺/*z*: 237.19; found: 237.23.

Compound 20 ((4*R*,6*R*,10*S*)-4,10-dimethyl-6-(1'-hydroxyisopropyl)-1-en-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexahydronaphthalen-2-one). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 1.01-1.07 (m, 4 H), 1.13 (s, 3 H), 1.24-1.30 (m, 7 H), 1.76 (m, 1 H), 2.03-2.11 (m, 3 H), 2.25-2.56 (m, 4 H), 5.78 (s, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 14.9, 16.9, 26.9, 27.4, 27.7, 32.9, 39.2, 39.7, 40.6, 42.1, 43.9, 72.5, 125.0, 171.0, 199.8; MS (ESI) calcd for C₁₅H₂₅O₂ [M+H]⁺/*z*: 237.19; found: 237.30.

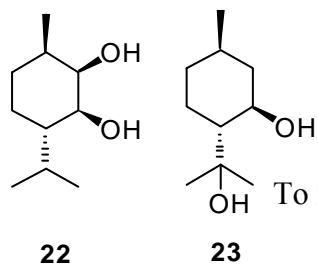


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To isolate **21**, a large scale reaction (130 mL) was set up with P450 mutant II-D4 (2 μ M) in 50 mM phosphate buffer (pH 8.0) in the presence of 11,12-dihydronootkatone (31 mg, final conc.: 1 mM), PTDH at 2 μ M, NADP⁺ at 150 μ M, and sodium phosphite at 50 mM. The reaction mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature. The hydroxylated product was isolated by solid-phase extraction using a C₁₈ column and eluted with acetonitrile. The eluate was dried with Na₂SO₄, concentrated in vacuum, and purified by flash chromatography (from hexanes/ethyl acetate: 10/1 to dichloromethane/hexanes/ethyl acetate: 2/2/1) to afford **21** (15 mg).

Compound 21 ((4R,6R,10S)-4,10-dimethyl-6-(1'-hydroxymethylethyl)-1-en-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexahydronaphthalen-2-one). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.93 (d, 3 H, J = 7.1 Hz), 0.96 (m, 4 H), 1.09 (s, 3 H), 1.12-1.22 (m, 2 H), 1.83 (m, 1 H), 1.87 (m, 1 H), 1.91 (m, 1 H), 1.99 (m, 1 H), 2.22 (m, 1 H), 2.29 (dd, 1 H, J = 14.0 Hz, J = 17.3 Hz), 2.35 (m, 1 H), 2.48 (m, 1 H), 3.55 (dd, 1 H, J = 6.3 Hz, J = 10.4 Hz), 3.63 (dd, 1 H, J = 5.8 Hz, J = 10.4 Hz), 5.75 (br s, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 13.6, 15.0, 16.9, 30.7, 33.1, 34.3, 39.2, 40.2, 40.5, 41.3, 42.1, 65.9, 124.5, 171.1, 199.7; MS (ESI) calcd for C₁₅H₂₅O₂ [M+H]⁺/ z : 237.19; found: 237.27.

Isolation and identification of (-)-menthol oxidation products.



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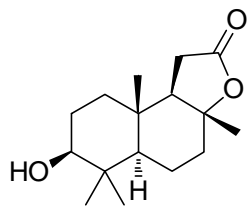
To isolate compounds **22** and **23**, a large scale reaction (250 mL) was set up

with P450 mutant II-E12 (1 μ M) in 50 mM phosphate buffer (pH 8.0) in the presence of (-)-menthol (39 mg, final conc.: 1 mM), PTDH at 2 μ M, NADP⁺ at 150 μ M, and sodium phosphite at 50 mM and stirred at room temperature overnight. The reaction mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature. The hydroxylated product was isolated by solid-phase extraction using a C₁₈ column and eluted with acetonitrile. The eluate was dried with Na₂SO₄, concentrated in vacuum, and purified by flash chromatography (dichloromethane/hexanes/ethyl acetate: 1/1/1) to afford **22** (14 mg) and **23** (21 mg).

Compound 22 ((1*S*,2*R*,3*S*,6*R*)-2-hydroxy-3-isopropyl-6-methyl-cyclohexanol). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.87 (d, 3 H, J = 7.0 Hz), 0.97-1.01 (m, 4 H), 1.06 (d, 3 H, J = 7.0 Hz), 1.29-1.38 (m, 2 H), 1.42-1.46 (m, 1 H), 1.54-1.65 (m, 2 H), 2.11-2.17 (m, 1 H), 3.41-3.43 (dd, 1 H, J = 10.9 Hz, J = 3.03 Hz), 3.84 (dd, 1 H, J = 2.4 Hz, J = 2.4 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 15.9, 17.9, 20.9, 22.7, 25.7, 27.2, 35.6, 42.3, 73.7, 74.9; MS (ESI) calcd for C₁₀H₂₁O₂ [M+H]⁺/ z : 173.15; found: 173.24.

Compound 23 ((1*R*,2*S*,5*R*)-2-(1'-hydroxyisopropyl)-5-methyl-cyclohexanol). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.91-0.96 (m, 5 H), 1.06 (m, 1 H), 1.24 (s, 6 H), 1.38-1.49 (m, 2 H), 1.65-1.74 (m, 2 H), 1.96 (m, 1 H), 3.73 (ddd, 1 H, J = 10.6 Hz, J = 10.6 Hz, J = 4.3 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 21.9, 23.6, 27.0, 30.0, 31.3, 34.6, 44.6, 53.3, 72.9, 75.1; MS (ESI) calcd for C₁₀H₂₁O₂ [M+H]⁺/ z : 173.15; found: 173.32.

Isolation and identification of sclareolide oxidation product.



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To isolate compounds **24**, a large scale reaction (250 mL) was set up with P450 mutant II-H8 (1 μ M) in 50 mM phosphate buffer (pH 8.0) in the presence of sclareolide (56 mg, final conc.: 1 mM), PTDH at 2 μ M, NADP⁺ at 150 μ M, and sodium phosphite at 50 mM and stirred at room temperature overnight. The reaction mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature. The hydroxylated product was isolated by solid-phase extraction using a C₁₈ column and eluted with acetonitrile. The eluate was dried with Na₂SO₄, concentrated in vacuum, and purified by flash chromatography (from hexanes/dichloromethane/ethyl acetate: 1/1/1) to afford **24** (50 mg).

Compound 24 ((S)-3-hydroxy sclareolide). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.84 (s, 3 H), 0.96 (s, 3 H), 1.04 (s, 3 H), 1.07 (m, 1 H), 1.23 (m, 1 H), 1.37 (m, 3 H), 1.46-1.52 (m, 2 H), 1.65-1.76 (m, 4 H), 1.92-1.98 (m, 2 H), 2.13 (m, 1 H), 2.27 (dd, 1 H, J = 16.4 Hz, J = 6.4 Hz), 2.45 (dd, 1 H, J = 16.4 Hz, J = 15.8 Hz), 3.29 (dd, 1 H, J = 11.6 Hz, J = 5.3 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 15.0, 15.1, 20.3, 21.5, 26.8, 27.9, 28.7, 35.7, 37.7, 38.4, 38.8, 55.3, 58.9, 78.6, 86.1, 176.8; MS (ESI) calcd for C₁₆H₂₇O₃ [M+H]⁺/ z : 267.20; found: 267.41.

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