

THPP target assignment reveals EchA6 as an essential fatty acid shuttle in mycobacteria

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Summary

Phenotypic screens for bactericidal compounds against drug-resistant tuberculosis are beginning to yield novel inhibitors. However, reliable target identification remains challenging. Here we show that tetrahydropyrazo[1,5-*a*]pyrimidine-3-carboxamide (THPP) selectively pulls down EchA6 in a stereospecific manner, instead of the previously assigned target *M. tuberculosis* MmpL3. While homologous to mammalian enoyl-CoA hydratases, EchA6 is non-catalytic yet essential, and binds long-chain acyl-CoAs. THPP inhibitors compete with CoA-binding, suppress mycolic acid synthesis and are bactericidal in a mouse model of chronic tuberculosis infection. A point mutation, W133A, abrogated THPP-binding and increased both the *in vitro* minimum inhibitory concentration and the *in vivo* effective-dose 99 in mice. Surprisingly, EchA6 interacts with selected enzymes of fatty acid synthase II (FAS-II) in bacterial two-hybrid assays, suggesting essentiality may be linked to feeding long-chain fatty acids to FAS-II. Finally, our data show that spontaneous resistance-conferring mutations can potentially obscure the actual target or alternative targets of small molecule inhibitors.

Mycobacterium tuberculosis, the causative agent of tuberculosis (TB), is a global disease with an estimated 8.7 million new cases and around 1.4 million deaths annually¹. TB drug-resistance first emerged 40 years ago, but since then has grown to an alarming level requiring the development of new antibiotics. Although enzyme-screening campaigns have dominated antibiotic discovery for years, their lack of success has prompted a change of strategy. In many instances, target identification of phenotypic hits is initiated by generating spontaneous drug-resistant mutants, with the expectation that resistance-conferring mutations will be revealed by whole genome sequencing (WGS)²⁻⁵. For instance, Bedaquiline was identified as an inhibitor of the *M. tuberculosis* F₀F₁ ATP synthase through WGS of spontaneous resistant mutants⁶. Using the same approach, MmpL3 was shown to be targeted by several inhibitors including SQ109, adamantyl ureas, BM212, THPPs, SPIROs and NITDs⁷⁻¹³. However, spontaneous resistance can occur through mutations not only in the drug target but also in other proteins linked to interactions between the cell and inhibitor^{14,15}. In this study, we were able to exploit stereoselectivity of ligand binding in a quantitative affinity pull-down to identify the target of THPPs and reveal a novel fatty acid shuttle in mycobacteria.

Results

Target identification

THPPs were prepared in a four-step synthetic route (**Fig. 1a**) and the desired enantiomer separated by chiral-HPLC. GSK366A and GSK951A¹², and two novel THPP analogues, GSK059A and GSK572A, were included as tool compounds for

mode of action and structural studies. All compounds were endowed with selective anti-tubercular potency and were devoid of any significant cytotoxicity against HepG2 cell lines (**Fig. 1b**). Compound GSK951A was progressed to a dose response analysis in a murine model of chronic TB infection (**Fig. 1c**)¹². Thus, GSK951A combines potency in culture with *in vivo* activity and lack of cytotoxicity.

We applied a chemical proteomics strategy to identify the protein target(s) of the THPP lead compound directly in *M. bovis* BCG extracts. To this end, we synthesized carboxylic acid analogues of the active (GSK729) and inactive (GSK730) THPP enantiomers suitable for immobilization to Sepharose beads (**Fig. 2**). Each type of bead was incubated with *M. bovis* BCG extracts under three different conditions: (i) in presence of vehicle, (ii) in presence of excess “free” active enantiomer analogue, and (iii) in presence of excess “free” inactive enantiomer analogue. The relative protein content captured by the beads from each sample was quantified by isobaric tagging of tryptic peptides and tandem mass spectrometry analysis of the combined peptide pools in a 6-plex format¹⁶. Target proteins would be expected to bind selectively to beads derivatized with the active enantiomer analogue, a preference we probed by competition with free active vs free inactive enantiomers. Relative quantification (**Supplementary Table 1 and 2**) demonstrated that only a single protein showed a pronounced preference in this competition assay. The putative enoyl-CoA hydratase EchA6 showed robust inhibition (92%) by the active enantiomer GSK729 to the binding of GSK729-derived beads, but only insignificant inhibition (16%) by its inactive enantiomer GSK730 (**Fig. 2a,b**). MmpL3 was readily detected within the whole proteome analysis of the *M. bovis* BCG extract, but it was not identified in pull-downs with the immobilized THPP analogues. This does not

necessarily rule it out as a target, since it could be due to either steric hindrance by the linker on the compound, low affinity, or denaturation of the extracted MmpL3. Supporting the specificity of the GSK729-beads, in similar experiments performed with HepG2 cells, the beads did not capture the closest human EchA6 orthologue, ECH1. To determine the affinity of GSK729 for EchA6 in *M. bovis* BCG extracts, we optimized the concentration of immobilized ligands on the beads, enabling a dose-dependent binding of EchA6 to GSK729 in *M. bovis* BCG extracts with an IC₅₀ of 1.8 μ M (**Fig. 2c** and **Supplementary Table 2** and **3**).

***EchA6* is essential and GSK951A inhibits mycolic acid biosynthesis**

To confirm essentiality we used a genetic tool termed CESTET^{17,18}. Initially, a merodiploid strain in *M. bovis* BCG was generated that contained a second integrated copy of *echA6* (*Rv0905*) under the control of the inducible tetracycline (ATc) promoter and subsequently the genomic copy was disrupted. As shown in **Supplementary Figure 1a**, the strain grew normally in liquid medium with ATc, but eventually showed cell lysis when grown in medium lacking ATc (**Supplementary Fig. 1a, inset**). To evaluate the effect of depletion of *echA6* on both mycolic acid and fatty acid synthesis in *M. bovis* BCG, mycolic acid methyl esters (MAMES) and fatty acid methyl esters (FAMES) were prepared from cultures following labeling with [¹⁴C]-acetate. As shown in **Supplementary Figure 1b**, conditional depletion of *echA6* results in a reduction of α -MAMES and keto-MAMES, while the overall abundance of FAMES remains largely unaffected, a classic hallmark of inhibitors targeting mycolic acid biosynthesis^{14,19}.

In light of these findings we decided to further investigate our previous studies on the effects of THPPs on mycolic acid synthesis¹². As shown in **Figure 3a left panel**, GSK951A suppresses the synthesis of all classes of MAMES in *M. bovis* BCG, while the overall abundance of FAMES remains largely unaffected. This result is similar to the mode of action of the thiolactomycin (TLM) and INH, well-known inhibitors of mycolic acid biosynthesis^{14,19} (**Fig. 3a, right panel**), supporting our earlier *echA6* conditional depletion experiments (**Supplementary Fig. 1b**). Further resolution of the FAMES by reverse-phase TLC indicated the accumulation of C26 FAMES (**Fig. 3b**), suggesting that THPPs act downstream of fatty acid synthase-I (FAS-I), and similar to the mode of action of INH (**Fig. 3a,f**). In addition, GSK951A significantly suppressed the synthesis of cell wall bound MAMES (**Fig. 3a, middle panel**). In marked contrast, using the inactive enantiomer, GSK540A, even at a minimum inhibitor concentration (MIC) of 20 × that of GSK951A, failed to inhibit total MAMES/FAMES and cell wall bound MAMES (**Supplementary Fig. 2**). Whole-cell target engagement of GSK951A was supported by increased resistance when *echA6* was overexpressed in *M. bovis* BCG. *M. tuberculosis echA6* (*Rv0905*) was cloned into the multi-copy plasmid pVV16, which resulted in overexpression of His-tagged EchA6 as shown by Western Blot analysis (**Fig. 3c**). Upon labeling cultures with [¹⁴C]-acetate, pVV16-*echA6* containing strains revealed an elevated synthesis of MAMES (**Supplementary Fig. 1c left panel, and d**) and a 6-fold increased-resistance to GSK951A with solid or liquid media (MIC of 1.60 - 2.00 μM), in comparison to the pVV16 vector control strain (MIC of 0.32 μM) (**Supplementary Fig. 1e and Fig. 3d**). Finally, the synthesis of cell wall bound MAMES in the pVV16-*echA6* strain was less refractory to the addition of GSK951A at 1 × MIC compared to the pVV16 vector control strain (**Supplementary Fig. 1c, right panel**).

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144 The addition of GSK951A to cultures up to 4 × the MIC resulted in no significant
145 difference in terms of extractable cell envelope lipids (**Supplementary Fig. 3, Panels**
146 **A-C**). The organic solvent extractable mycolates were markedly altered in the
147 presence of GSK951A, and overall resulted in an elevated level of TMM
148 (**Supplementary Fig. 3, Panels D1 and D2**). Indeed, confirmed MmpL3 inhibitors,
149 including SQ109 and BM212, have been reported to cause significant accumulation
150 of TMM¹³. Nevertheless, when applied at concentrations of up to 4 × their respective
151 MICs, SQ109 or BM212 had no effect on total MAMES, and only moderately
152 inhibited cell wall bound MAMES (**Supplementary Fig. 2**). In contrast, GSK951A
153 effectively suppressed both total and cell wall bound MAMES at concentrations well
154 below the 4 × MIC margin, emphasising the distinctive phenotypic response of
155 GSK951A. Interestingly, we have observed an increased sensitivity to GSK951A
156 when MmpL3 (Rv0206c) was overexpressed in *M. bovis* BCG using the multi-copy
157 plasmid pMV261-*mmpL3*, in comparison to the pMV261 vector control
158 (**Supplementary Fig. 1f**). Increased sensitivity to GSK951A would be consistent
159 with MmpL3 moonlighting as a THPP importer, in addition to its function as a TMM
160 exporter. Taken together, these findings provide strong evidence for THPPs acting
161 upstream of fatty acid synthase-II (FAS-II) (**Fig. 3f**), without excluding the possibility
162 of a downstream activity *via* MmpL3. To further probe the possible interaction of
163 EchA6 with components of FAS-II, we conducted a protein-protein interaction screen
164 using the bacterial two-hybrid system-BACTH. Interestingly, we found preliminary
165 evidence for EchA6 interacting with two specific components of FAS-II (**Fig. 3e,f**).
166 These included the β-ketoacyl-ACP synthase KasA, and the enoyl-ACP reductase

InhA (**Fig. 3e**). No interactions were observed with other specific components of the core multi-enzyme FAS-II complex²⁰.

Acyl-CoA and THPP ligand binding

Initial inspection of the sequence of EchA6 and related family members from *M. tuberculosis* indicated that the conserved carboxylate side chains²¹ were mutated in EchA6, suggesting that EchA6, despite resembling an enoyl-CoA hydratase in overall sequence, was inactive. Nevertheless, residues involved in binding CoA are partially conserved in EchA6, leaving open the possibility that binding of acyl-CoAs was preserved, possibly as a mechanism for providing long-chain acyl-CoAs for fatty acid biosynthesis *via* FAS-II. Using intrinsic tryptophan fluorescence (ITF), we assayed variable chain-length acyl-CoA binding, which indicated that EchA6 has a clear preference for acyl-CoAs of chain-lengths 12 carbons or greater (**Supplementary Table 4** and **Fig. 4a**). Ligand binding assays using EchA6 and THPPs were conducted to establish K_d values for a selection of compounds (**Supplementary Table 4**), highlighting that GSK951A (**Fig. 4b**) and GSK572A bound with the highest affinity as reflected by K_d values of 0.45 μ M and 1.9 μ M, respectively. In contrast, GSK573A, which is the inactive enantiomer of GSK572A, bound with a K_d of 285.8 μ M, a 150-fold increase, underscoring the distinct stereospecificity of the interaction between THPP compounds and EchA6 (**Supplementary Table 4**). Assessing C₂₀-CoA binding following pre-incubation of EchA6 with GSK951A, at concentrations of 0.25 μ M, 2.5 μ M, and 10 μ M of the drug, resulted in a distinct weakening of the interaction with C₂₀-CoA, thus indicating competition for the same binding site (**Fig. 4c**). Similar experiments with C₄-CoA (**Fig. 4d**) indicated that competition between

acyl-CoA and GSK951A for the EchA6 binding site was not solely dependent on the acyl-chain. While C₄-CoA bound with less affinity than C₂₀-CoA, the K_d increased by similar margins when competing with GSK951A (**Supplementary Table 4**). However, the increase was monotonic for C₄-CoA, while raising GSK951A above 2.5 μ M did not result in a further increase of K_d for binding of C₂₀-CoA. Finally, introducing the point mutation, W133A, which maps to the THPP binding site (see **Fig. 6**), completely abolished THPP binding (**Fig. 4b**), whilst C₂₀-CoA binding was weakened, but not abrogated (**Supplementary Table 4**).

***In vivo* target engagement of THPPs and EchA6**

In an acute TB infection model²², *M. tuberculosis* transformed with a multi-copy plasmid-borne *echA6*^{W133A} resulted in a significant shift in the *in vivo* effective dose 99 (ED₉₉) of GSK951A when compared to strains transformed with empty vector or vector containing *echA6*. (**Fig. 1d**). The *echA6*^{W133A} strain resulted in a significant increase in the ED₉₉ of GSK951A, from 85 and 77 mg/kg for the empty vector and *echA6* strains, to >250 mg/kg for the *echA6*^{W133A} strain (**Fig. 1d, right panel**). This increase of ED₉₉ was well outside the calculated 95 % confidence interval (CI) for the empty vector and *echA6* strains (41-182 mg/kg). As a control, all strains possessed similar ED₉₉ values for INH (**Fig. 1d, left panel**) and were within the calculated 95 % CI range (0.2-3 mg/kg). While the empty vector and *echA6* strains were able to grow at the same rate when inoculated into C57BL/6 mice in the acute TB infection model, the *echA6*^{W133A} strain was relatively attenuated for growth (**Fig. 1e**), suggesting that the viability of *M. tuberculosis in vivo* was compromised by the EchA6 point mutation that weakened acyl-CoA binding. In addition, *M. bovis* BCG transformed

with a multi-copy plasmid-borne *echA6*^{W133A} and grown in broth, showed a further increased resistance to GSK951A, possessing a MIC of 3.20 μ M. This is in comparison to a *M. bovis* BCG strain transformed with plasmid-borne *echA6* possessing a MIC of 1.60 μ M. Complete abrogation of THPP binding by EchA6^{W133A} would suggest a more pronounced effect, however, the wild-type copy present in the overexpressing strain could account for the modest MIC and ED₉₉ increase.

X-ray crystallographic analysis of EchA6

X-ray crystallographic structures of EchA6 in the ligand-free form, bound to C₂₀-CoA and several THPPs were determined by molecular replacement (**Supplementary Table 5**). EchA6 (**Fig. 5a**) consistently crystallized as a trimer (**Fig. 5b**), structurally resembling a flat disk with 3 extended substrate-binding grooves (**Fig. 5c**). The binding sites of the CoA-moiety and the THPPs reside on the ‘front’ and ‘back’ faces of the trimer, respectively (**Fig. 5c**).

The EchA6 monomer is structurally similar to the rat liver enoyl-CoA hydratase (RnECH)²³ (**Fig. 5a,b** and **Supplementary Fig. 4a**). However, the C-terminal helices α 10 and α 11 diverge from the orientation seen in RnECH (**Supplementary Fig. 4a**). In RnECH, the backbone turns 180° after helix α 9 and helix α 10 runs anti-parallel to α 9, whereas in EchA6, helices α 10 and α 11 project forward and fold back onto the monomer (**Fig. 5a**). Despite the altered backbone conformation, helices α 10 and α 11 still occupy analogous interfacial positions between the monomers in the context of the trimer (**Fig. 5b**).

242 Enoyl-CoA hydratases belong to the crotonase superfamily of enzymes, which display
243 diverse structural scaffolds and catalyze a wide variety of reactions, involving CoA-
244 linked substrates²⁴. Among structural neighbours identified by distance matrix
245 alignment (DALI)²⁵, EchA6 aligns most closely with crotonases mediating enoyl-
246 CoA hydratase activity (e.g. RnECH, **Supplementary Fig. 4a**), in line with its
247 annotation in sequence databases. Yet, the catalytic residues are not conserved in
248 EchA6. The hydratase reaction converts the C2-C3 double bond of enoyl-CoA into a
249 single bond and adds a hydroxyl to C3. Polarization is facilitated by positioning the
250 acyl-keto oxygen against the amide nitrogens of nearby glycine and alanine residues
251 (Gly141, Ala98 in RnECH), while two carboxylate side chains (Glu144, Glu164 in
252 RnECH) coordinate the attacking water^{21,23} (**Fig. 5d**). Comparing the structures of
253 EchA6 and RnECH (30.8% sequence identity), the oxyanion hole backbone amides
254 are conserved (Ala100, Ala60), but the carboxylate side chains are substituted by
255 glutamine (Gln103 for Glu144 of RnECH) and threonine (Thr123 for Glu164 of
256 RnECH), respectively (**Fig. 5d**). In contrast, the structural alignment of RnECH with
257 *M. tuberculosis* EchA8 (PDB entry 3PZK, 50.2 % identity) demonstrates complete
258 conservation of key residues in the active site (**Supplementary Fig. 4b**).
259 Nevertheless, the C₂₀-CoA bound complex of EchA6 (**Supplementary Fig. 4c**)
260 demonstrates a conserved mode of CoA-binding, with the thioester superimposing
261 closely with the thioesters in the acetoacetyl-CoA bound complexes of RnECH (PDB
262 entry 1EY3,²¹) and EchA8 (PDB entry 3Q0J). In addition, binding C₂₀-CoA to EchA6
263 induces a conformational change in the β 3- α 3 loop (residues 61-68), transforming the
264 substrate-binding groove into a tunnel between the ‘front’ and the ‘back’ face of the
265 EchA6 trimer (green subunit in **Fig. 5c**).

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In order to define the structural determinants of THPP inhibition, we solved structures of EchA6 in complex with five different THPPs (**Supplementary Table 5**, **Fig. 6a**, and **Supplementary Fig. 4d-h**), including the lead compound GSK951A (**Fig. 1a**). In the trimeric molecule, all 3 subunits are occupied by the ligand. Superposition of ligand-bound and *apo* structures reveal only minor conformational adjustments of side chains contacting the ligand. Situated on the ‘back’ face of the EchA6 trimer (**Fig. 5c**), the inhibitor-binding site overlaps partially with the putative active site of EchA6 (marked by the conserved oxyanion hole of Ala100 and Ala60), but mostly occupies the extended hydrophobic groove, which accommodates the acyl-chain in the C₂₀-CoA complex (**Fig. 5c** and **Fig. 6b**). The mode of binding is consistent between all THPP-complexed structures (**Supplementary Table 5** and **Supplementary Fig. 4d-h**). A slightly different ligand conformation is observed for GSK366A (**Supplementary Fig. 4f**), but the difference could be the result of different crystal symmetries (**Supplementary Table 5**), due to packing-induced structural changes of the protein. The complex with the bait compound, GSK729A, matches the binding mode of the other complexes (**Supplementary Fig. 4h**). Interactions with EchA6 are dominated by hydrophobic and van der Waals (vdW) contacts. The pyrazolo-pyrimidine group is central to the interaction with the protein. The trifluoromethyl-substituent forms hydrogen bonds with His79 (to Nε2) and Gln103 (to Oε1 and Nε2), with an additional vdW contact to Ile76 (Cδ1) (**Fig. 6c**). The ethylphenyl group forms hydrophobic contacts with Trp133, the β-carbon of Asp83 and the δ-carbon of Gln107 (**Fig. 6c**). For GSK951A, the terminal benzodioxol group stacks on top of Phe216, with additional vdW contacts with the α-carbon of Lys213 and the β-carbon of Ala208.

Discussion

Target identification by stereoselective quantitative pull-downs points to EchA6 as the target of THPPs and is supported by a string of orthogonal evidence. This is in contrast to the recent target assignment of THPPs as MmpL3¹², exposing an inherent weakness of target identification by WGS of THPP-resistant mutants. Resistance-conferring mutations against THPPs have not yet been observed in *echA6*, however, our targeted mutagenesis studies have induced resistance, which strongly supports THPPs acting through EchA6. The absence of SNPs in *echA6* in spontaneous resistant mutants is not unexpected, since INH-resistance is caused by mutations in *inhA* in only 2% of clinical isolates²⁶.

We demonstrate that THPPs potently suppress mycolic acid biosynthesis (**Fig. 3 and Supplementary Fig. 1**). This phenotypic effect is distinct from other WGS-confirmed MmpL3 inhibitors, such as SQ109¹³ and BM212⁸ (**Supplementary Fig. 2**). Previous studies have used high concentrations of MmpL3 inhibitors (ranging from 3 × to 10 × MIC) and it is conceivable that the significant accumulation of TMM may be a result of a stress response. However, the frequency of the MmpL3 resistance phenotype and the increased sensitivity to THPPs upon overexpression of *mmpL3* gives credence to the possibility of MmpL3 moonlighting as a drug importer.

Importantly, we demonstrate that *echA6* is essential in mycobacteria and is conserved across several mycobacterial genomes (**Supplementary Table 6**), including the ‘essential’ minimal *M. leprae* genome²⁷. Although the exact function of EchA6 remains to be established, we show that EchA6 has a distinct preference for long-

chain acyl-CoAs and interacts with selective components of FAS-II. We postulate that EchA6 acts as a shuttle for fatty acid transfer, bypassing the non-essential FabH²⁸. Overall, this would be compatible with its catalytically silent state, potential partners identified by STRING analysis (**Supplementary Fig. 5**)²⁹ and its unique extended acyl-CoA binding groove relative to the other 20 mycobacterial EchAs. The diversity of crotonase family members in terms of enzymatic activity and substrates (albeit all CoA-linked) leaves the door open to an alternative, as yet unidentified catalytic activity. Emerging from these considerations is a model (**Fig. 3f**) that places EchA6 at a critical junction between FAS-I, β -oxidation and FAS-II pathways.

In conclusion, we have shown that THPPs mediate bactericidal activity in a mouse infection model of tuberculosis and that these compounds act on the catalytically silent enoyl-CoA hydratase-like EchA6 protein. This surprising result of our alternative target deconvolution approach suggests that spontaneous resistance-conferring mutations can potentially obscure the actual target or alternative targets of inhibitors emerging from phenotypic screening campaigns.

Supplementary information is linked to the online version of the paper.

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Figures Legends

Figure 1. THPP chemical structures and *in vivo* anti-tubercular activity. (a) Synthesis of THPPs. (b) *M. tuberculosis* H37Rv, *M. bovis* BCG, anti-bacterial and cytotoxicity profile of THPPs. The human biological samples were sourced ethically and their research use was in accordance with the terms of informed consent. (c) Efficacy of GSK951A against an established murine model of *M. tuberculosis* chronic infection. Mean \pm SD is shown for each treated mice group ($n = 3-7$ mice/group). (d) The ED₉₉ of GSK951A and INH in a murine model of *M. tuberculosis* acute infection²² using *M. tuberculosis* transformed with either a multi-copy plasmid-borne empty vector control, *echA6* or *echA6*^{W133A}. LogCFU counts are shown as the difference with respect to the untreated control group infected with each strain (Δ logCFU/mouse). (e) The relative growth of each strain used in panel d. For both panels (d,e), each data point represents an individual mouse. All animal studies were ethically reviewed and carried out in accordance with European Directive 210/63/EU and the GSK Policy on the Care, Welfare and Treatment of Animals.

Figure 2: Chemoproteomics profiling identifies the putative enoyl-CoA hydratase EchA6 as target of the THPP series. (a) EchA6 is captured from *M. bovis* BCG extracts with beads derivatized with GSK729. (b) EchA6 binds to beads derivatized with the active enantiomer analogue GSK729 but not the inactive enantiomer analogue GSK730. Binding is only competed by the active enantiomer (Supplementary Table 1 and 2). (c) Estimation of the affinity of GSK729 for EchA6 (Supplementary Table 3).

Figure 3. GSK951A inhibition of mycolic acid biosynthesis, resistance and protein-protein interaction studies. (a,b) [^{14}C]-Acetate labeling and dose-response of GSK951A, INH and TLM against *M. bovis* BCG. Total MAMES and FAMES (a, left and right panels, $n = 3$ biological replicates), reverse-phase TLC (b, $n = 2$ biological replicates) and cell wall bound MAMES (a, middle panel, $n = 2$ biological replicates) were isolated and equal counts for the former two, and an equal aliquot for the latter were analysed by TLC^{13,14,30}. (c) SDS-PAGE (left panel) and Western blot (right panel) analysis of pVV16 and pVV16-*echA6* cytosolic lysates ($n = 3$ biological replicates). (d) Overexpression of *M. tuberculosis* EchA6 using pVV16-*echA6* in *M. bovis* BCG ($n = 5$ biological replicates). (e) Protein-protein interaction screen using the bacterial two-hybrid system BACTH and EchA6 with components of FAS-II ($n = 3$ biological replicates). (f) Proposed biosynthetic model linking FAS-I, FAS-II and the β -oxidation pathways, providing a key role for EchA6 as a conduit for supplying acyl-CoA primers for mycolic acid biosynthesis.

Figure 4. Saturation binding assay using intrinsic tryptophan fluorescence to quantify association of EchA6 with acyl-CoAs and THPPs. (a) Saturation binding curves for C₄-CoA, C₁₂-CoA, and C₂₀-CoA. (b) Comparison of saturation binding of GSK951A between EchA6 and EchA6^{W133A}. (c,d) Competition binding assay of C₂₀-CoA and C₄-CoA in the presence of 0–10 μM GSK951A. K_d values (mean \pm SD) resulting from non-linear least squares fitting of a single-site binding model are listed in **Supplementary Table 4**. Data were fitted using GraphPad Prism.

Figure 5. Structural features of EchA6 in the free and C₂₀-CoA bound state. (a) Ribbon diagram of the EchA6 monomer, bound to C₂₀-CoA (yellow sticks).

Secondary structure elements are labeled analogous to the structure of RnECH²³. **(b)** Ribbon diagram of the EchA6 trimer superimposed with the structure of *R. norvegicus* enoyl-CoA hydratase (RnECH). EchA6 subunits are beige, green and blue, RnECH is cyan. **(c)** Molecular surface of the ‘front’ and ‘back’ face of the EchA6 trimer bound to C₂₀-CoA (subunit A in green). The binding sites of the inhibitor GSK951A are indicated for subunits B and C by the stick model in cyan. **(d)** Superposition of the active sites of RnECH (cyan) and EchA6 (yellow). Dashed lines indicate the H-bond interactions that mediate polarization of the keto-moiety of CoA in the hydratase reaction.

Figure 6. Binding site of GSK951A in EchA6. **(a)** The molecular surface of EchA6 is shown in translucent rendering and amino acid side chains within a 4 Å radius around the ligand are shown as sticks. The σ_A -weighted 2Fo-Fc density map is contoured at 1.0 σ and was calculated with coordinates of GSK951A included in the model. **(b)** Superposition of GSK951A (carbon atoms in cyan) and CoA-bound structure of EchA6. The thioester sulfur (green) of C₂₀-CoA is indicated. **(c)** Schematic diagram of contacts between GSK951A and EchA6. Polar contacts are indicated with a dashed line, vdW and hydrophobic contacts with a hashed line.

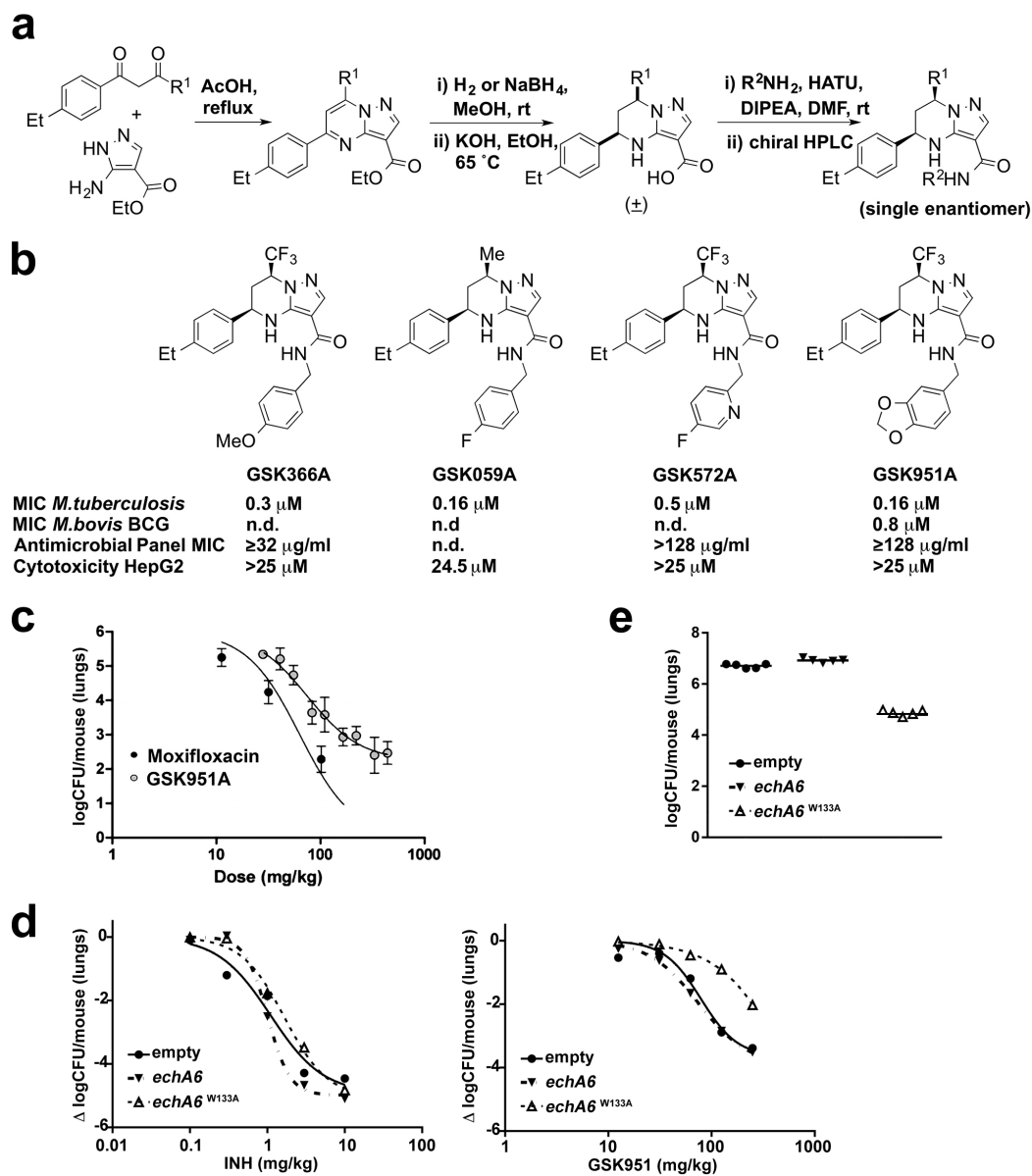
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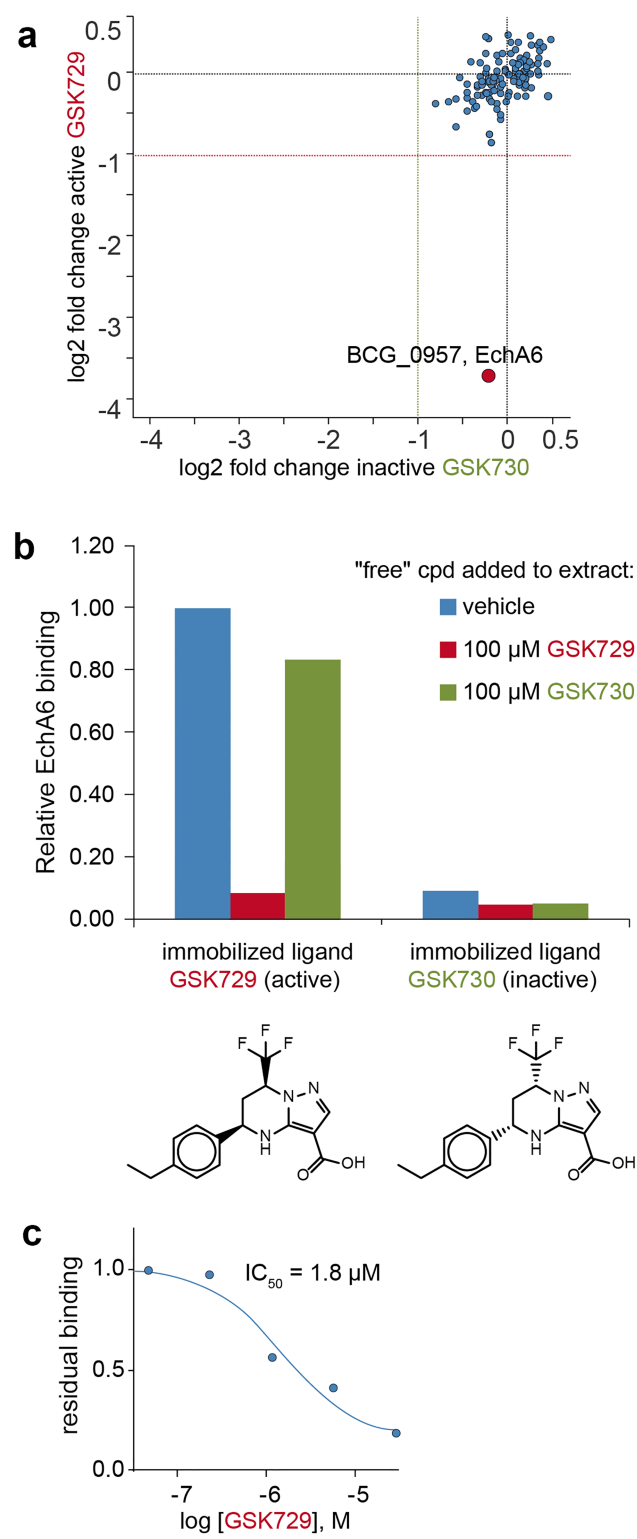


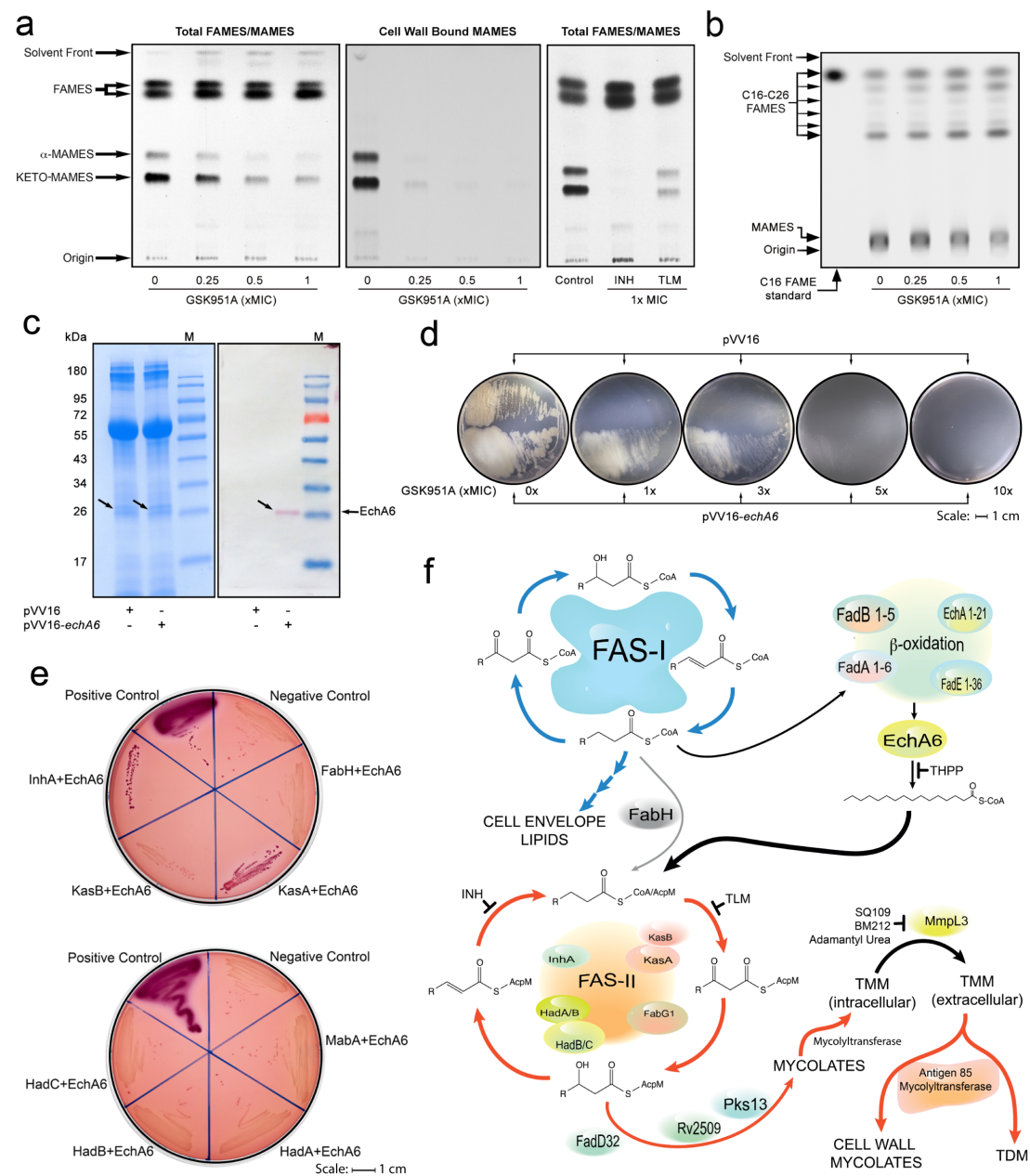
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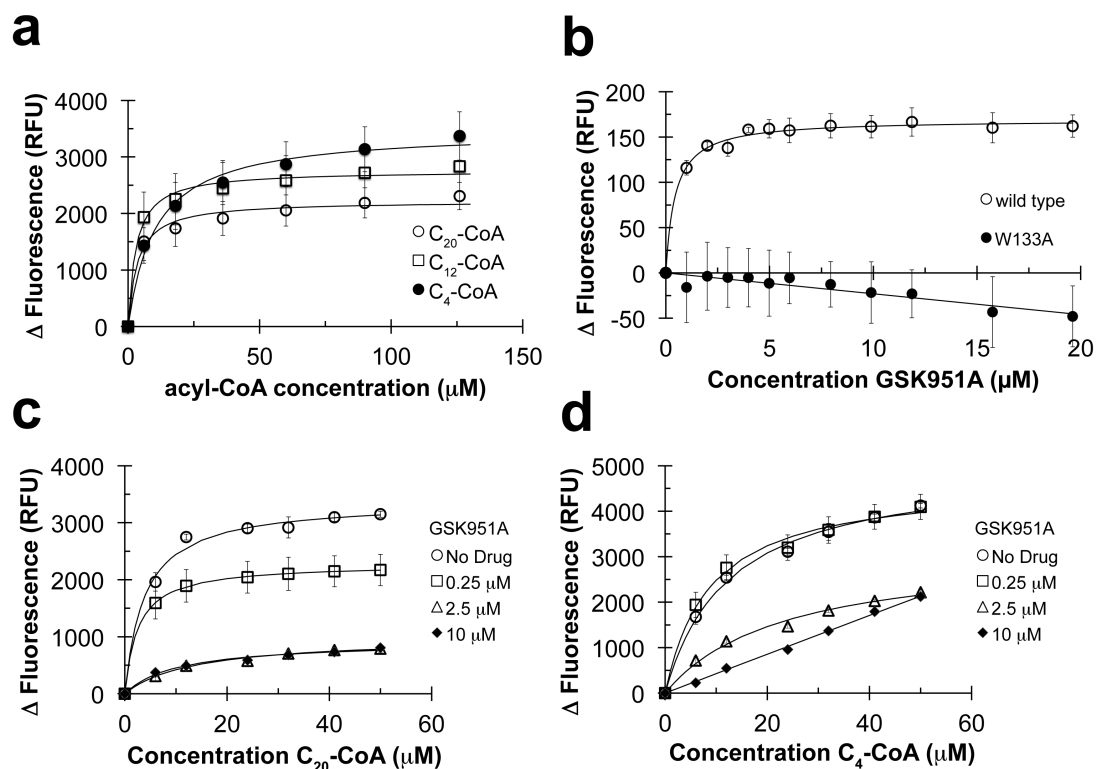
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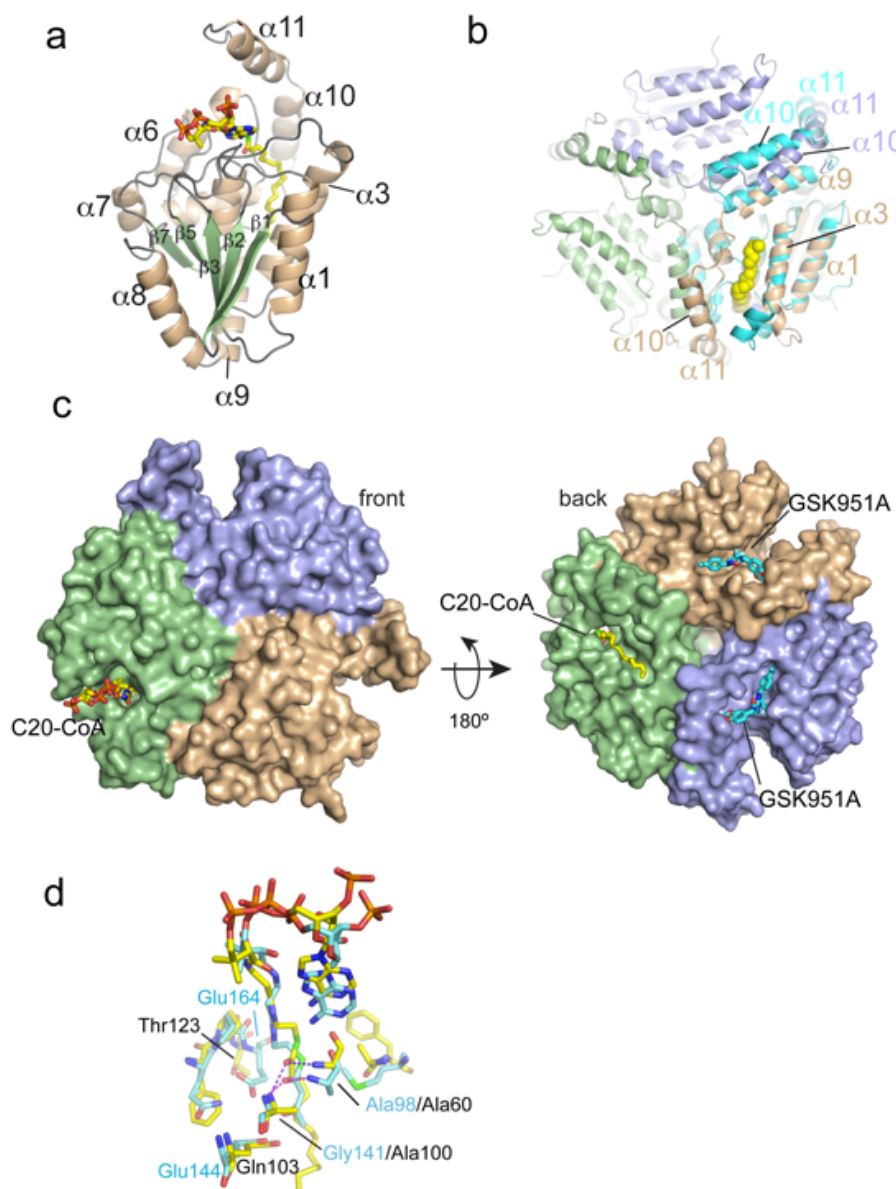
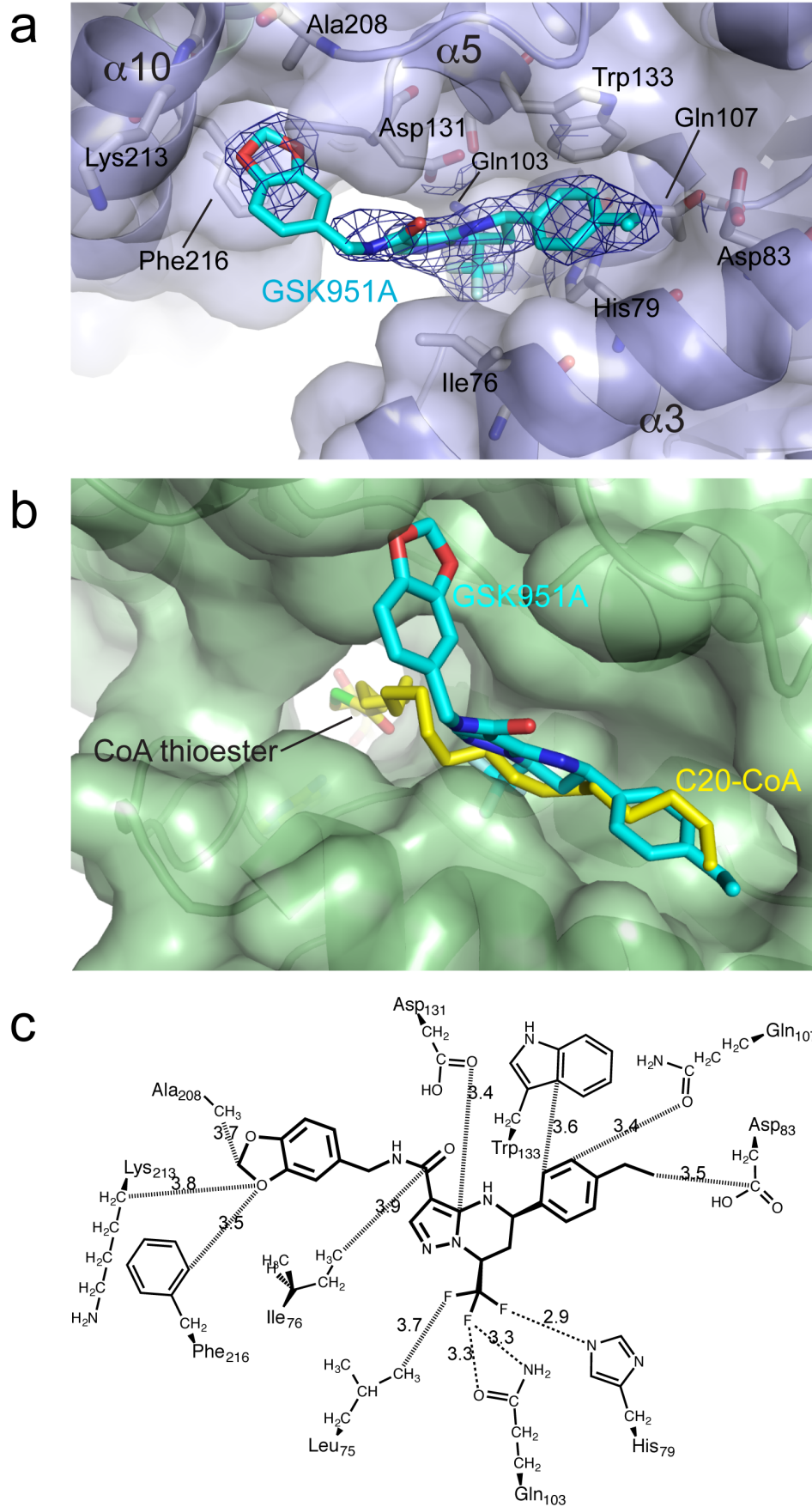
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Methods

General information for chemical synthesis

Automated flash chromatography was performed on a Biotage FlashMaster II system with peak detection at 254 nm. ^1H NMR spectra were recorded at 400 MHz on a Bruker Ultrashield DPX 400 spectrometer. Chemical shifts (δ) are given in ppm relative to the solvent reference as an internal standard (DMSO- d_6 , δ = 2.50 ppm; CDCl_3 , δ = 7.27 ppm). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift (multiplicity (s for singlet, d for doublet, t for triplet, q for quartet, m for multiplet, br for broad), integration, coupling constant(s) in Hz). HPLC–MS analyses were conducted on an Agilent 1100 instrument equipped with a Sunfire C18 column (30 \times 2.1 mm i.d., 3.5 mm packing diameter) at 40°C coupled with a Waters ZMD2000 mass spectrometer; the method of ionization was alternate-scan positive and negative electrospray. Semi-preparative chiral HPLC was conducted on an Agilent 1100 instrument equipped with a Chiralpak IC column (250 mm \times 20 mm). Preparative chiral HPLC was conducted on a Varian SD-2 prep HPLC instrument equipped with a Chiralpak IC column (250 mm \times 50 mm i.d., 20 μm packing diameter). Compounds had a purity of >95 %, as determined by HPLC and ^1H NMR analysis.

Ethyl 7-(4-ethylphenyl)-7-methylpyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine-3-carboxylate. A mixture of ethyl 3-aminopyrazole-4-carboxylate (2.99 g, 19.24 mmol), 1-(4-ethylphenyl)-1,3-butanedione (3.66 g, 19.24 mmol) and acetic acid (15 ml) was heated at reflux for 6 h. LC-MS analysis showed an 80/20 mixture of two products. After cooling to room temperature, the reaction mixture was poured onto ice (60 g).

The solid formed was filtered off, triturated with hexane and dried to afford a pale yellow solid. The crude product was added to a silica gel column (40 g) and eluted with a mixture of EtOAc/hexane (gradient 0-20 %). Collection of the appropriate fractions afforded the desired compound (747 mg, 2.42 mmol, 13 %) as a white solid along with a regioisomeric by-product (2.98 g, 9.63 mmol, 50 %). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃+D₂O) δ ppm: 8.58 (s, 1H), 8.15-8.17 (m, 2H), 7.35-7.37 (m, 2H), 7.33 (s, 1H), 4.46 (q, 2H, *J*=7.1), 2.89 (s, 1H), 2.74 (q, 2H, *J*=7.6), 1.48 (t, 3H, *J*=7.1), 1.30 (t, 3H, *J*=7.6).

***cis*-Ethyl 5-(4-ethylphenyl)-7-methyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydropyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine-3-carboxylate.** To a solution of ethyl 5-(4-ethylphenyl)-7-methylpyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine-3-carboxylate (710 mg, 2.30 mmol) in anhydrous methanol (10 ml), 10 % Pd/C (244 mg, 0.23 mmol) was added. The reaction was hydrogenated at 40 psi for 24 h. LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. The mixture was filtered over celite and concentrated *in vacuo* affording the desired compound (714 mg, 2.23 mmol, 99 %) as a white solid. The product was used in the next step without further purification. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃+D₂O) δ ppm: 7.66 (s, 1H), 7.33-7.35 (m, 2H), 7.22-7.24 (m, 2H), 5.93 (bs, 1H), 4.56 (dd, 1H, *J*=11.6 and 2.8), 4.28-4.36 (m, 1H), 4.24 (q, 2H, *J*=7.1), 2.68 (q, 2H, *J*=7.6), 2.29-2.35 (m, 1H), 2.00 (dt, 1H, *J*=13.4 and 11.1), 1.61 (d, 3H, *J*=6.3), 1.32 (t, 3H, *J*=7.1), 1.26 (t, 3H, *J*=7.6).

***cis*-5-(4-Ethylphenyl)-7-methyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydropyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine-3-carboxylic acid.** To a solution of *cis*-ethyl 5-(4-ethylphenyl)-7-methyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydropyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine-3-carboxylate (700 mg, 2.23 mmol) in ethanol (5 ml), a 1.5 M KOH aqueous solution (5.21 ml, 7.82 mmol) was added and the

reaction was stirred at 60°C for 12 h. The reaction was concentrated *in vacuo* to remove the organic solvent and a saturated citric acid solution was then added until acidic pH. The solid was collected by filtration, washed with water and dried to afford the desired compound (539 mg, 1.89 mmol, 85 %) as a white solid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ ppm: 11.8 (bs, 1H), 7.49 (s, 1H), 7.33-7.35 (m, 2H), 7.22-7.24 (m, 2H), 6.04 (bs, 1H), 4.58 (dd, 1H, *J*=11.1 and 2.3), 4.22-4.32 (m, 1H), 2.61 (q, 2H, *J*=7.6), 2.25-2.35 (m, 1H), 1.87 (dt, 1H, *J*=13.1 and 10.9), 1.43 (d, 3H, *J*=6.3), 1.18 (t, 3H, *J*=7.6). [ES+ MS] *m/z* 286 (M+H)⁺.

(5*R*,7*R*)-*N*-(4-fluorobenzyl)-5-(4-ethylphenyl)-7-methyl-4,5,6,7-

tetrahydropyrazolo-[1,5-*a*]pyrimidine-3-carboxamide (GSK059A). To a solution

of *cis*-5-(4-ethylphenyl)-7-methyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydropyrazolo[1,5-*a*]pyrimidine-3-carboxylic acid (100 mg, 0.35 mmol) in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (3 ml), HATU (160 mg, 0.42 mmol) and *N,N*-Disopropylethylamine (0.306 ml, 1.75 mmol) were added. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 30 min. (4-fluorophenyl)methanamine hydrochloride (85 mg, 0.53 mmol) was added and the mixture was stirred at 60°C for 3 days. LC-MS showed the desired product as major and no starting material. After cooling to room temperature, the reaction mixture was diluted with TBME and washed with saturated NH₄Cl aqueous solution and brine. The organic layers were concentrated and the residue was added to a silica gel column (5 g) and eluted with a mixture of EtOAc/cyclohexane (gradient 0-60 %). Collection of the appropriate fractions afforded the desired racemic compound (116 mg, 0.296 mmol, 84 %) as a white solid. The enantiomers were separated by semipreparative HPLC (flow: 18 ml/min; solvent: hexane/EtOH 90/10; column: Chiralpak IC, 250 mm x 20 mm). The desired enantiomer eluted at 15 min and the opposite at 23 min.

553 The title compound was obtained (35 mg, 0.089 mmol) as a white solid
554 enantiomerically pure by HPLC. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ppm: 7.50 (bs, 1H),
555 7.27-7.34 (m, 4H), 7.20-7.22 (m, 2H), 6.99-7.04 (m, 2H), 6.47 (bs, 1H), 5.94 (bs, 1H),
556 4.44-4.58 (m, 3H), 4.27-4.37 (m, 1H), 2.66 (q, 2H, *J*=7.6), 2.28-2.36 (m, 1H), 1.96-
557 2.08 (m, 2H), 1.61 (d, 3H, *J*=6.1), 1.25 (t, 3H, *J*=7.8). [ES+ MS] *m/z* 393 (M+H)+.

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559 **(5-Fluoropyridin-2-yl)methanamine dihydrochloride.** A mixture of 5-
560 fluoropicolinonitrile (300 mg, 2.457 mmol), 10 % wt. palladium on carbon (60 mg,
561 0.056 mmol), methanol (25 ml) and concentrated HCl (1 ml, 11.70 mmol) was stirred
562 at room temperature under 30 psi of hydrogen. After 4 h the reaction was filtered
563 through celite washing with 200 ml of methanol. Evaporation afforded the desired
564 compound (500 mg, 2.39 mmol, 97%) as an off-white solid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz,
565 DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm: 8.32-9.32 (m, 4H), 8.63 (d, 1H, *J*=2.8), 7.84 (td, 1H, *J*=8.8 and
566 3.0), 7.64 (dd, 1H, *J*=8.6 and 4.3), 4.17 (bq, 2H, *J*=5.8).

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568 **(5R,7S)-5-(4-ethylphenyl)-N-((5-fluoropyridin-2-yl)methyl)-7-(trifluoromethyl)-**
569 **4,5,6,7-tetrahydropyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine-3-carboxamide (GSK572A).** To a
570 solution of *cis*-5-(4-ethylphenyl)-7-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydropyrazolo[1,5-
571 a]pyrimidine-3-carboxylic acid (200 mg, 0.589 mmol) in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (5
572 ml) at room temperature under nitrogen, HATU (269 mg, 0.707 mmol) was added
573 followed by *N,N*-diisopropylethylamine (0.309 ml, 1.768 mmol). The mixture was
574 stirred at room temperature for 15 min and then a solution of (5-fluoropyridin-2-
575 yl)methanamine dihydrochloride (153 mg, 0.766 mmol) and *N,N*-
576 diisopropylethylamine (0.309 ml, 1.768 mmol) in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (3 ml) was
577 added. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 days. The reaction mixture

was diluted with EtOAc (30 ml) and washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (3 x 40 ml), water (40 ml) and 1M NH₄Cl (3 x 40 ml). The organic layer was dried, filtered and evaporated. The residue was added to a silica gel column and eluted with a mixture of EtOAc/cyclohexane (gradient 0-100 %). Collection of the appropriate fractions afforded the desired racemic compound (221 mg, 0.469 mmol, 80 %) as an off-white solid. The enantiomers were separated by semipreparative HPLC (flow: 18 ml/min; solvent: hexane/EtOH 90/10; column: Chiralpak IC, 250 mm x 20 mm). The desired enantiomer (GSK572A) eluted at 15 min and the opposite (GSK573A) at 23 min. The title compound was obtained (93 mg, 0.197 mmol) as a white solid enantiomerically pure by HPLC. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ppm: 8.42 (d, 1H, *J*=2.8), 7.63 (s, 1H), 7.31-7.42 (m, 4H), 7.22-7.24 (m, 2H), 6.60-6.64 (m, 2H), 4.81-4.89 (m, 1H), 4.66 (dd, 1H, *J*=16.7 and 5.3), 4.62 (dd, 1H, *J*=16.7 and 5.3), 4.54 (dd, 1H, *J*=11.6 and 2.5), 2.67 (q, 2H, *J*=7.6), 2.50-2.56 (m, 1H), 2.33-2.42 (m, 1H), 1.25 (t, 3H, *J*=7.8). [ES⁺ MS] *m/z* 448 (M+H)⁺.

General methods

The measurement of the MIC for each tested compound, general antimicrobial activity, microsomal fraction stability, pharmacokinetic studies, HepG2 cytotoxicity assay, SDS-PAGE and Western blot were performed as described previously^{2,19,30}. *EchA6* (*Rv0905*) was cloned into the mycobacterial multi-copy plasmid pMV261 and its derivatives³⁰; the site-directed mutant EchA6^{W133A} was generated using the plasmids containing wild-type *echA6* and QuikChange II (Agilent Technologies). *MmpL3* (*Rv0206c*) was cloned into pMV261. The constructs were electroporated into either *M. bovis* BCG or *M. tuberculosis*. The primers are described in **Supplementary**

Table 7. The *in vitro* effect of GSK951A, TLM, and INH was studied by treating *M. bovis* BCG cultures at OD₆₀₀ of 0.4 with inhibitor for 24 hours, followed by [¹⁴C]-acetate labeling for 24 hours, and subsequent analysis of either total FAMES and MAMES (equal counts, typically 30,000 cpm), cell wall bound MAMES (equal volumes, 5 % aliquot), or cell envelope lipids (equal counts, typically 30,000 cpm) as described previously^{13,14,19,30-32}. Protein-protein interactions were studied using the bacterial adenylate cyclase based two-hybrid system as described³³. Briefly, *echA6* (*Rv0905*) was cloned using the primers described in **Supplementary Table 7** into pUT18 in-frame with the T18 fragment, and the FAS-II genes cloned into pKT25 in-frame with the T25 fragment. The positive control pKT25 was fused to the Leucine Zipper of GCN4 co-transformed with pUT18C of the Leucine Zipper GCN4. The negative control was pKT25 Zip co-transformed with empty pUT18 vector. The GSK in-house hydrophobicity assay was performed using 10 µl of a 10 mM DMSO stock solution diluted to 750 µl with octanol saturated phosphate buffer pH 7.4 and 160 µl buffer saturated octanol in a 96-well deep well block. Blocks were sealed and inverted for 3 sets of 50 inversions, then centrifuged at 300 g for 20 min. Both phases were quantified using generic gradient UV-HPLC.

Assessment of chronic and acute efficacy in murine TB models

The assessment of the chronic and acute efficacy in murine TB models was performed using specific pathogen-free, 8-10 week-old female C57BL/6 mice purchased from Harlan Laboratories and allowed to acclimate for one week. In the chronic model, mice (*n* = 3-7 mice per dose level, a total of 27/28 mice per compound) were intratracheally infected with 100 CFU/mouse and GSK951A formulated in 1 %

aqueous methylcellulose and administered daily for 8 consecutive weeks, starting 6 weeks after infection. Lungs were harvested 24 h after the last administration. All lung lobes were aseptically removed, homogenized and frozen. Homogenates were plated on 10 % OADC-7H11 medium supplemented with activated charcoal (0.4 %) for 18 days at 37°C. In the acute model²², mice were intratracheally infected with 50,000 CFU/mouse with all strains, and lungs harvested on day 9. GSK951A and INH (in water) were administered daily for 8 consecutive days, starting on day 1 after infection. All lung lobes were aseptically removed, homogenized, and plated in 10 % OADC-7H11 medium supplemented with activated charcoal (0.4 %) and grown for 18-25 days at 37°C. Lung logCFUs vs dose was fitted to a logistic equation (sigmoidal dose response, variable slope, GraphPad Prism software). Effective dose 99 % (ED₉₉), defined as the dose in mg/kg that reduced lung bacterial burden at day 9 after infection by 99 % (2 logCFU) with respect to untreated, was calculated by interpolation in the sigmoidal curve. The number of mice was selected as the minimum number of mice that is necessary to detect a 3-fold difference in the ED₉₉ of two different products. Mice were randomly allocated to the different experimental groups immediately after the infection.

Preparation of *M. bovis* BCG cytosolic extract

M. bovis BCG cell pellets were resuspended in lysis buffer (50 mM Tris-HCl, pH 7.4, 1 mM EDTA, 7.5 % glycerol, 150 mM NaCl, 25 mM NaF, 1 mM Na₃VO₄, 1 mM DTT, and 1 complete EDTA-free protease inhibitor tablet (Roche) *per* 25 ml). After sonication the samples were adjusted to 0.8 % Igpal-CA630 and extraction was completed by homogenization using a Dounce homogenizer. After 45 min rotation at

4°C, the samples were subjected to centrifugation for 10 min at 20,000 *g* at 4°C. The supernatant was kept on ice, while the pellet was re-extracted with 1 volume of lysis buffer adjusted to 0.8 % Igepal-CA630. The pellet was resuspended using a long 20 gauge needle (2x), followed by rotation for 30 min at 4°C. After a centrifugation step as described above, both supernatants were pooled and subjected to centrifugation at 100,000 *g* for 1 h at 4°C. The final supernatant was snap frozen in liquid nitrogen and stored at -80°C.

Chemoproteomics

Sepharose beads were derivatized with GSK729A at various concentrations from 0.05 mM to 2 mM. Beads (35 μ l) were washed and equilibrated in lysis buffer incubated at 4°C for 1 h with 1 ml (1 mg) *M. bovis* BCG cytosolic extract, which was pre-incubated with compound or buffer. Beads were transferred to disposable columns (MoBiTec), washed extensively with lysis buffer and eluted with SDS sample buffer. Proteins were alkylated, separated on 4-12 % NuPAGE (Invitrogen), stained with colloidal Coomassie, and quantified by isobaric tagging and LC-MS/MS. Digestion, labeling with TMT isobaric mass tags, peptide fractionation, and mass spectrometric analyses were performed essentially as described¹⁶. The proteins.fasta file for *M. bovis* BCG was downloaded (May 11th 2011) from <http://genome.tdbb.org/annotation/genome/tbdb/MultiDownloads.html> and supplemented with the sequences of bovine serum albumin, porcine trypsin and mouse, rat, sheep and dog keratins. Decoy versions of all proteins were created and added. The search database contained a total of 11,492 protein sequences, 50 % forward, 50 % reverse. Criteria for protein quantification were: a minimum of 2

sequence assignments matching to unique peptides (FDR for quantified proteins <<0.1 %), Mascot ion score > 15, signal to background ratio of the precursor ion > 4, signal to interference > 0.5³⁴. Reporter ion intensities were multiplied with the ion accumulation time yielding an area value proportional to the number of reporter ions present in the mass analyzer. Peptide fold changes were corrected for isotope purity as described and adjusted for interference caused by co-eluting nearly isobaric peaks as estimated by the signal-to-interference measure³⁵. Protein quantification was achieved using a sum-based bootstrap algorithm³⁶.

Generation and characterisation of a conditional *echA6* mutant in *M. bovis* BCG

A conditional mutant in the *M. bovis* BCG homologue of *M. tuberculosis echA6* was generated using the genetic tool CESTET^{17,18}. First, a recombinant *echA6* knockout phage was designed to replace the *M. bovis* BCG *echA6* homologue. The primers used for amplifying the left and right flanks to generate the allelic exchange substrate^{17,18} are provided in **Supplementary Table 7**. Next, *Rv0905* was PCR amplified using the primers mdRv0905_F and mdRv0905_R (**Supplementary Table 7**) and cloned downstream of the tetracycline promoter into the integrating vector pTIC6a to generate the plasmid pTIC6a-*Rv0905*^{17,18}. A merodiploid strain was then constructed by electroporating pTIC6a-*Rv0905* into *M. bovis* BCG. The resultant strain BCG::*Rv0905* was then transduced with *echA6* knockout phage. Transductants were selected on 7H10-agar plates containing 25 µg/ml kanamycin, 75 µg/ml hygromycin and 50 ng/ml anhydrotetracycline (ATc). One confirmed knockout strain was called Δ BCG0957 and was used in a conditional depletion experiment to detect cell death as shown previously in minimal medium^{17,18}.

Recombinant production and purification of EchA6 and EchA6^{W133A}

The gene *echA6* (*Rv0905*) was amplified by PCR (**Supplementary Table 7**) and cloned into plasmid pET28a (Novagen). Briefly, *E. coli* BL21 (DE3) transformed with pET28a-*echA6* or pET28a-*echA6*^{W133A} (through site-directed mutagenesis of pET28a-*echA6*; the primers are described in **Supplementary Table 7**) were grown in Luria Bertani (LB) broth from a glycerol stock (37°C, 180 rpm, shaking), grown overnight and used to inoculate flasks containing 1 L of LB media containing 50 µg/ml kanamycin. Bulk cultures were grown (37°C, 180 rpm) shaking to OD₆₀₀ = 0.4-0.6, and induced with 1 mM IPTG, reducing the incubation temperature to 16°C. Batch culture was continued at 16°C until 24 h post-induction at which point cultures were harvested by centrifugation at 5,000 rpm at 4°C and the pellets stored at -20°C. Cell pellets were defrosted and resuspended in 20 ml of lysis buffer (50 mM sodium phosphate, 600 mM sodium chloride and 10 mM imidazole, pH 8) with a complete EDTA-free Protease Inhibitor Cocktail Tablet (Roche), and sonicated on ice with 10 cycles of 30 sec sonication and 30 sec cooling, and centrifuged (40 min, 15,000 rpm, 4°C). For purification of the His₆-tagged EchA6 (and EchA6^{W133A}) protein, a His-trap HP column (GE Healthcare Life Sciences) was used following the manufacturers guidelines using a step-wise gradient of 50 mM, 125 mM, 150 mM and 200 mM imidazole in buffer. Eluates were analyzed by 12 % SDS-PAGE (Bio-Rad) run at 200 V, 50 mA for 40 min. Gels were stained with Instant Blue (Expedeon). Fractions containing pure protein were dialyzed overnight in 2 L of dialysis buffer (25 mM HEPES, 10 % glycerol and 300 mM NaCl, pH 8). EchA6 was then concentrated by

centrifugation to >30 mg/ml using a spin column (Thermo Scientific) and the concentration of protein was determined by absorption spectroscopy at 280 nm.

X-ray crystallographic structure determination

Crystals of EchA6 in the ligand-free form and bound to THPP compounds or C₂₀-CoA were obtained by vapour diffusion at 18°C, using commercial sparse matrix screens JCSG-*plus* and MIDAS (Molecular Dimensions) in 96-well sitting drop plates (SWISSCI 3-lens). A liquid handling robot (Mosquito) was used to dispense 300 nl drops consisting of 150 nl protein at concentrations between 20 and 30 mg/ml plus 150 nl reservoir solution. Complexes with ligands (C₂₀-CoA, THPPs) were grown in the presence of 3-fold molar excess of ligand over protein. Reservoir conditions leading to diffraction-quality crystals are: 0.1 M Tris pH 8.0 with 60 % v/v polypropylene glycol 400 (*apo* EchA6); 0.17 M ammonium sulfate, 25.5 % w/v PEG 4K, 15 % v/v glycerol (EchA6:C₂₀-CoA); 0.1 M Tris pH 8.5 with 20 % v/v ethanol (EchA6:366A); 0.6 M tri-sodium citrate cryoprotected with a 10 % glycerol additive (EchA6:059A); 0.2 M sodium chloride, 0.1 M sodium cacodylate pH 6.5, 2 M ammonium sulfate, cryoprotected with a 10 % ethylene glycol additive (EchA6:572A); 0.1 M sodium cacodylate pH 6.5, 1.0 M tri-sodium citrate cryoprotected with a 20 % glycerol additive (EchA6:951A). X-ray diffraction data were recorded at the Diamond Light Source and on our in-house X-ray source (Rigaku MicroMax 007HF, VariMax optics, Saturn 944 CCD detector). Details of the X-ray data statistics are given in **Supplementary Table 5**. Data were reduced using XDS, XSCALE³⁷ and analysed using the CCP4 suite of crystallographic software³⁸. Using *M. tuberculosis* EchA6 (PDB entry 3HE2) as a search model, we determined

initial phases by molecular replacement (PHASER³⁹). The models were rebuilt and refined (COOT⁴⁰, REFMAC5⁴¹, PHENIX.REFINE⁴²), using non-crystallographic symmetry restraints where the asymmetric unit contained 3 or 6 EchA6 subunits. Due to the limited resolution of the corresponding X-ray data, grouped B-factors were modelled when refining the complexes of EchA6:C₂₀-CoA, EchA6:GSK059A and EchA6:GSK951A. Ligand geometry restraints were generated using the SKETCHER utility of CCP4³⁸. Figures of the molecular structures of EchA6 were prepared using PyMOL (www.pymol.org). Refinement statistics are reported in **Supplementary Table 5**. The Fo-Fc density maps (**Supplementary Fig. 4**) indicating the presence and structures of the ligands were generated using phases of the protein model after initial refinement of the molecular replacement solution and prior to incorporation of the ligand in the coordinate model.

Intrinsic tryptophan fluorescence ligand binding assays

Fluorescence binding assays of EchA6 (3.75 μ M) with acyl-CoAs were conducted on a Hitachi F7000 Fluorescence Spectrophotometer using 25 mM HEPES, 10 % glycerol and 300 mM NaCl, pH 8 at 25°C and fluorescence spectra measured at an excitation wavelength 280 nm and emission wavelength 300-400 nm with an excitation and emission slit width of 5 nm using a 500 μ l crystal cuvette. Ligands were added at increasing stoichiometric ratios ranging from 0.5 to 8 times the molar concentration of protein. DMSO concentrations were maintained at <0.6 % and <2.0 % in the assay mixture for acyl-CoA and THPP, respectively. Data were recorded using Hitachi FL Solutions 4.6 software and analysed in Prism 5 (GraphPad). To compare ligand binding between wild-type EchA6 and EchA6^{W133A}, the proteins were

777 dialysed against buffer 25 mM HEPES, 10 % glycerol and 300 mM NaCl, pH 8, 2 %
778 DMSO (v/v). Changes of fluorescence intensities were corrected for volume
779 expansion and for non-specific binding of DMSO.

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**THPP target assignment reveals EchA6 as an essential fatty acid shuttle in
mycobacteria**

Supplementary Information Guide

**Supplementary Figure 1. Essentiality of *echA6*, resistance and sensitivity to
GSK951A via *echA6* and *mmpL3* overexpression in *M. bovis* BCG. (PDF, 1.3 MB)**

(a,b) Growth curves of $\Delta BCG0957$ in liquid medium with or without ATc ($n = 2$ biological replicates). One culture of $\Delta BCG0957$ was labeled with [^{14}C]-acetate at day 15 indicated by the arrow on panel *a* for 24 hours with the corresponding total MAMES and FAMES isolated, and equal counts for each sample subjected to TLC and exposed to Kodak X-Omat film as shown in panel *b* ($n = 1$ technical replicate). The second culture was monitored until cell lysis was observed and is shown in the inset of panel *a* ($n = 1$ technical replicate). (c,d) [^{14}C]-Acetate labeling of *M. bovis* BCG pVV16 and pVV16-*echA6* strains ($n = 4$ biological replicates). The corresponding total MAMES and FAMES were isolated and equal counts were subjected to either TLC (*c*, left panel) or reverse-phase TLC (panel *d*) and exposed to Kodak X-Omat film ($n = 1$ technical replicate). Cell wall bound MAMES were isolated from *M. bovis* BCG pVV16 and pVV16-*echA6* strains treated with GSK951A at 0.32 μM ($1 \times \text{MIC}$, *c*, right panel, $n = 4$ biological replicates, 1 technical replicate) and equal volumes subjected to TLC and exposed to Kodak X-Omat film. (e) MIC determination of GSK951A against *M. bovis* BCG pVV16 and pVV16-*echA6* strains in liquid medium. (f) GSK951A sensitivity of *M. bovis* BCG pMV261 and pMV261-*mmpL3* strains in liquid medium. It should be noted that the plasmids pVV16 and pMV261 used in panels *e* and *f* have different antibiotic selection markers, kanamycin

and apramycin respectively, and hence have different synergy levels with THPPs. A plasmid control is always used to give a base-line MIC for THPPs in plasmid-borne overexpression studies.

Supplementary Figure 2. Synthesis of total MAMES and FAMES, and cell wall bound MAMES in the presence of GSK951A, GSK540A and MmpL3 inhibitors.
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[¹⁴C]-Acetate labeling and dose-response of GSK951A, GSK540A, BM212 and SQ109 on the synthesis of FAMES and MAMES (left panel), and cell wall bound MAMES (centre panel) in *M. bovis* BCG. The corresponding total FAMES and MAMES, and cell wall bound MAMES were isolated, and equal counts for the former and equal volumes for the latter were subjected to TLC or reverse-phase TLC (GSK951A, right panel) and exposed to Kodak X-Omat film. The corresponding structures of GSK540A, BM212 and SQ109 are shown.

Supplementary Figure 3. Lipid-[¹⁴C]-labeling experiments using GSK951A.
(PDF, 4.9 MB)

2D-TLC lipid profiles of *M. bovis* BCG (control) and GSK951A treated *M. bovis* BCG (1 × and 4 × MIC). Apolar and polar lipids were isolated, and equal counts for each sample subjected to TLC in solvent systems A to D1 (apolar lipids) and D2 (polar lipids), and exposed to Kodak X-Omat film. PDIMs, phthiocerol dimycocerosates; TAG, triacylglycerol; MAT, multi-acylated trehaloses; F, fatty acids; GroM, monomycolyglycerol; PGL, phenolic glycolipid; GMM, glucose monomycolate; TMM, trehalose monomycolate.

Supplementary Figure 4. Structural comparison of EchA6, evidence for binding of GSK951A, and comparison of the mode of binding between THPP compounds. (PDF, 549 KB)

(a) Superposition of the EchA6 monomer (rainbow colored – N-terminal blue, C-terminal red) and *Rattus norvegicus* enoyl-CoA hydratase (RnECH, grey ribbon, PDB entry 1DUB²³). (b) Superposition of the active sites of RnECH (1DUB, cyan stick model) and *M. tuberculosis* EchA8 (3PZK, grey sticks). (c) Stereo diagram of unbiased Fo-Fc density (contour level 3.0 σ) of C₂₀-CoA in molecule B of the EchA6:C₂₀-CoA complex. Phases were from the initial refinement of the molecular replacement solution for this complex, prior to incorporation of the ligand in the structural model. (d) Stereo diagram of unbiased Fo-Fc density (contour level 2.5 σ) of GSK951A in molecule B of the EchA6 trimer, calculated using model phases prior to incorporation of the ligand model in the coordinates and amplitudes of the EchA6:GSK951A complex. (e-g) Superposition of GSK951A with THPP compounds GSK059A (e), GSK366A (f) and GSK572A (g). GSK059A lacks the trifluoromethyl group and has a methyl instead. (h) Unbiased Fo-Fc density (contour level 3.0 σ) of the bait compound GSK729A, calculated with model phases prior to incorporation of the ligand in the coordinates and structure factor amplitudes of the EchA6:GSK729A complex. Color coding of atoms: N, dark blue; O, red; F, pale cyan. Carbon atoms are colored according to inhibitor: GSK951A, cyan; GSK366A, grey; GSK059A, green; GSK572A, orange.

Supplementary Figure 5. Predicted functional partners of EchA6 based on database mining by STRING²⁹. (PDF, 1.0 MB)

(a) Interaction network for EchA6 of *M. tuberculosis* H37Rv. FadB2 and FadB3, 3-hydroxybutyryl-CoA dehydrogenases; FadB, fatty oxidation protein; FadD11, fatty acid-CoA ligase; AccBC, acetyl-/propionyl-CoA carboxylase β -subunit; FadE5, FadE15, FadE24, FadE25 and FadE36, acyl-CoA dehydrogenases. (b) Interaction network for EchA6 of *M. leprae* Br4923. B1306.06c, 3-hydroxyisobutyryl-CoA hydrolase; FadE23, putative acyl-CoA dehydrogenases; FadA and FadA4, acetyl-CoA acetyltransferases; EftB, electron transfer flavoprotein β -subunit. All other proteins as in panel a. Connecting lines are color coded as follows: green, genome neighbourhood; red, gene fusion; blue, co-occurrence; black, co-expression; turquoise, databases; yellow-green, text mining.

Supplementary Figure 6. Original scans for all Western and TLC data. (PDF, 8.8 MB)

Supplementary Table 1. 6-plexed Chemoproteomics Experiment #1 (.xlsx, 225 KB)

Supplementary Table 2. 6-plexed Chemoproteomics Experiment #2 (.xlsx, 193 KB)

Supplementary Table 3. 6-plexed Chemoproteomics Experiment #3 (.xlsx, 184 KB)

Supplementary Table 4. Ligand binding for EchA6 and EchA6^{W133A} probed by intrinsic tryptophan fluorescence. (PDF, 75.0 KB)

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102 **Supplementary Table 5. Crystallographic data and refinement statistics.** (PDF,

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104 ¹⁾ Values in parenthesis refer to the high resolution shell. ²⁾ The Ramachandran plot
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107 **Supplementary Table 6. EchA paralogues across mycobacterial genomes.** (PDF,

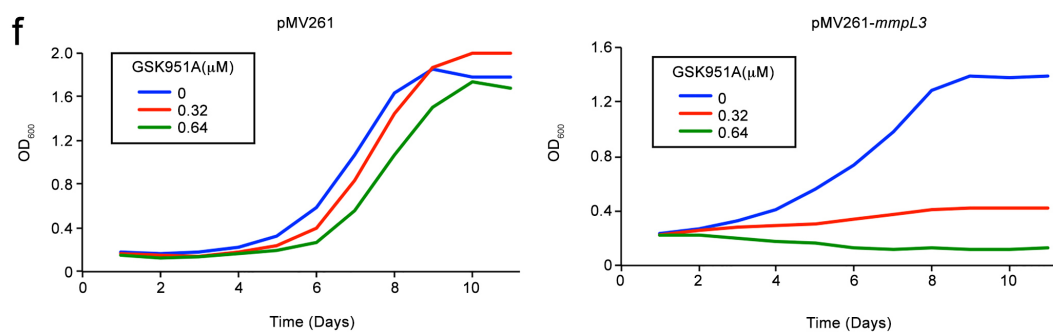
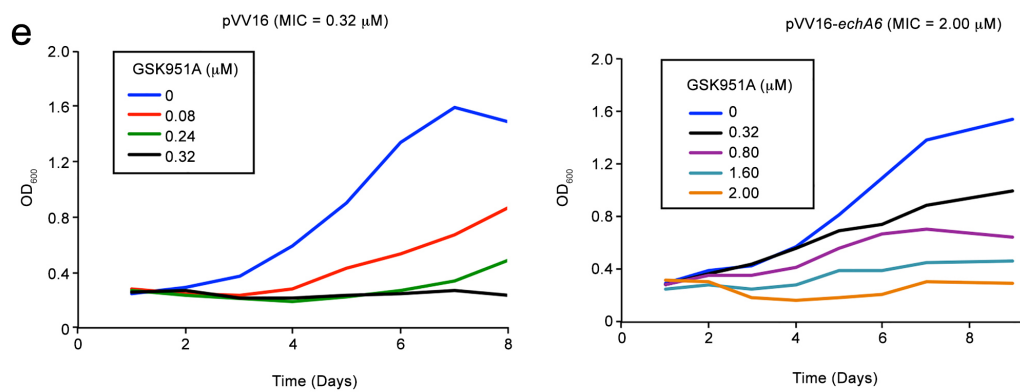
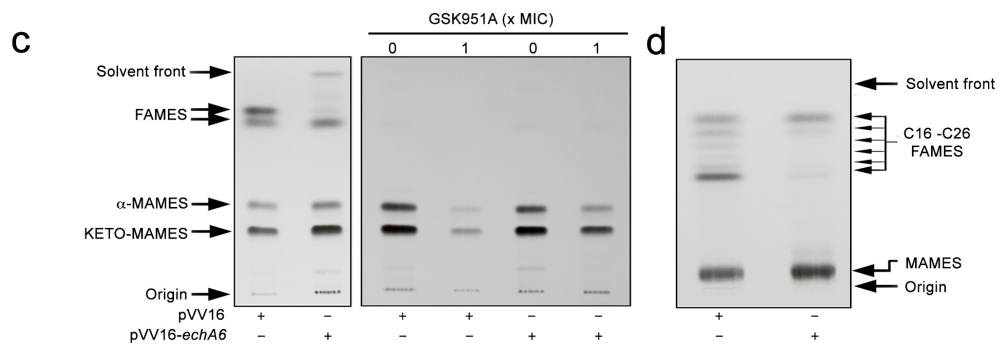
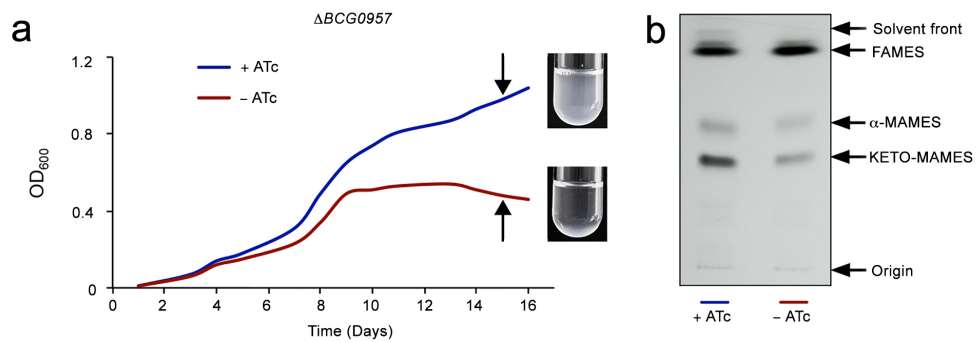
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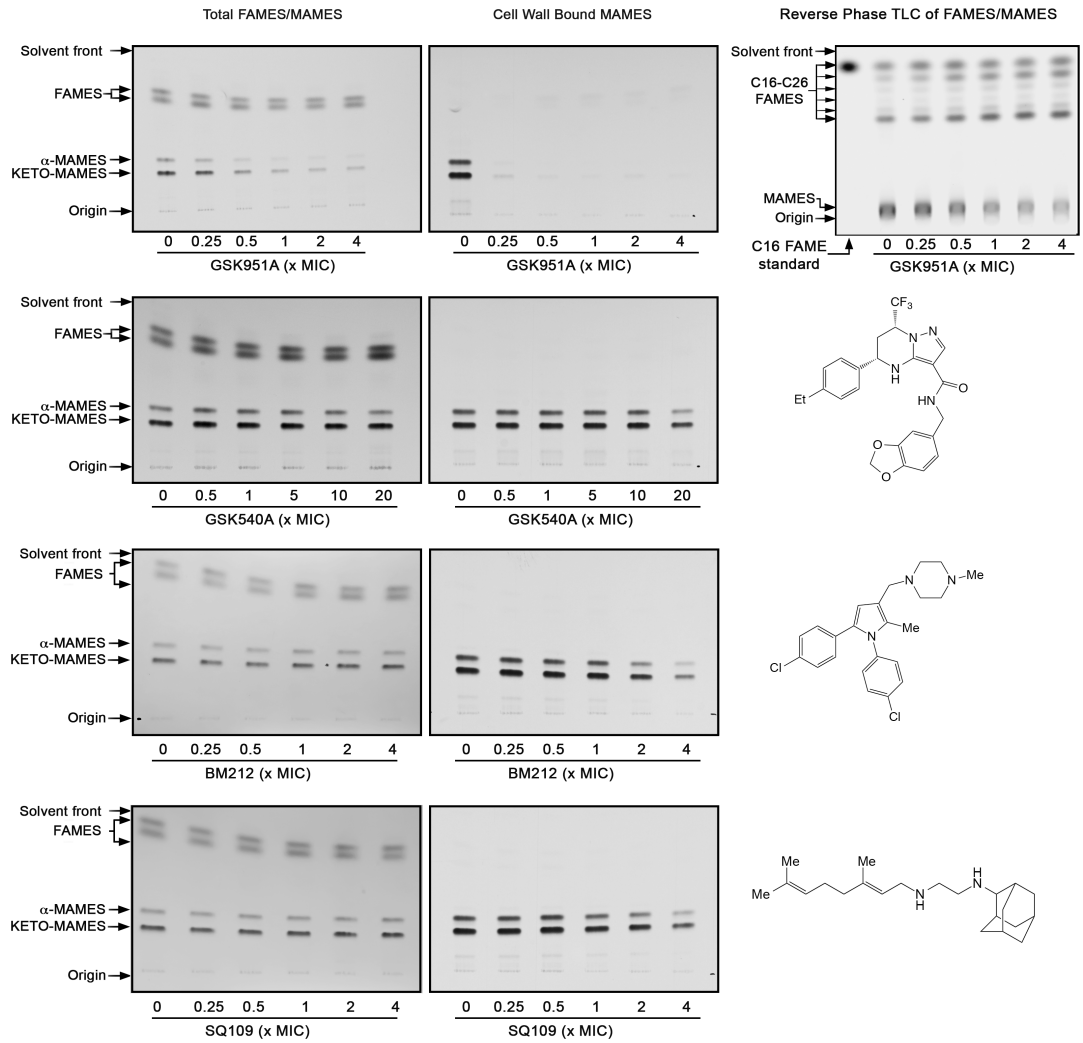
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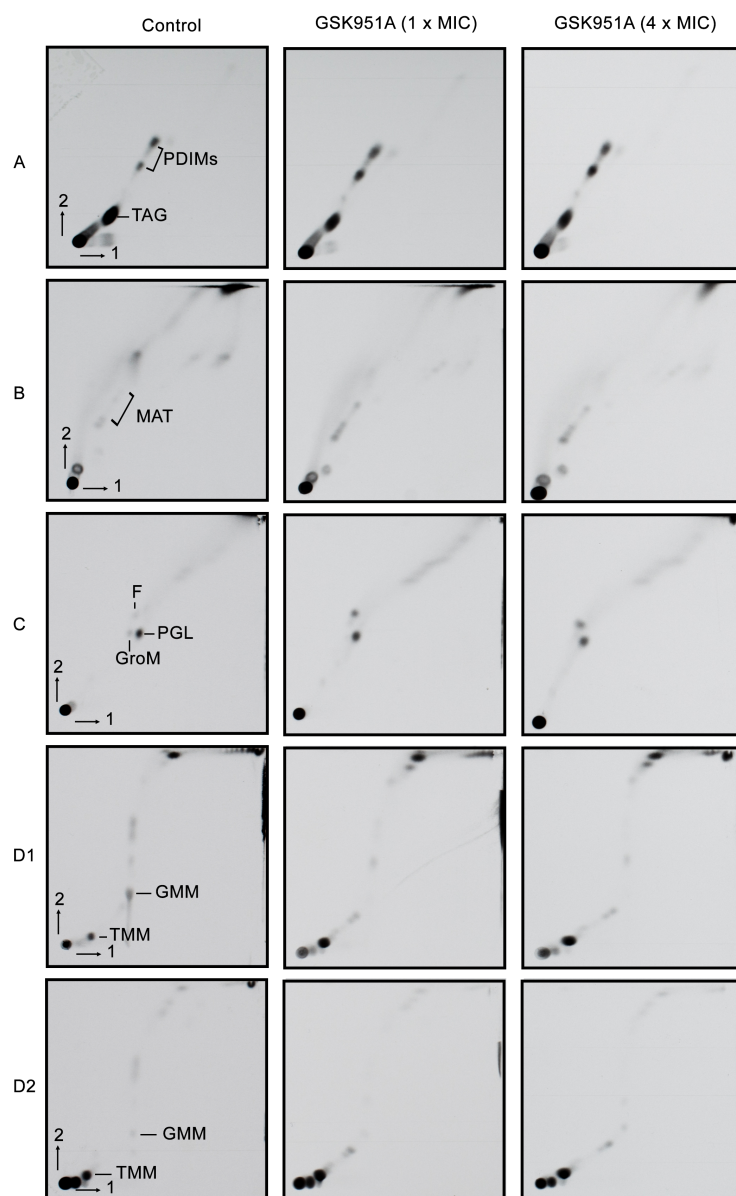
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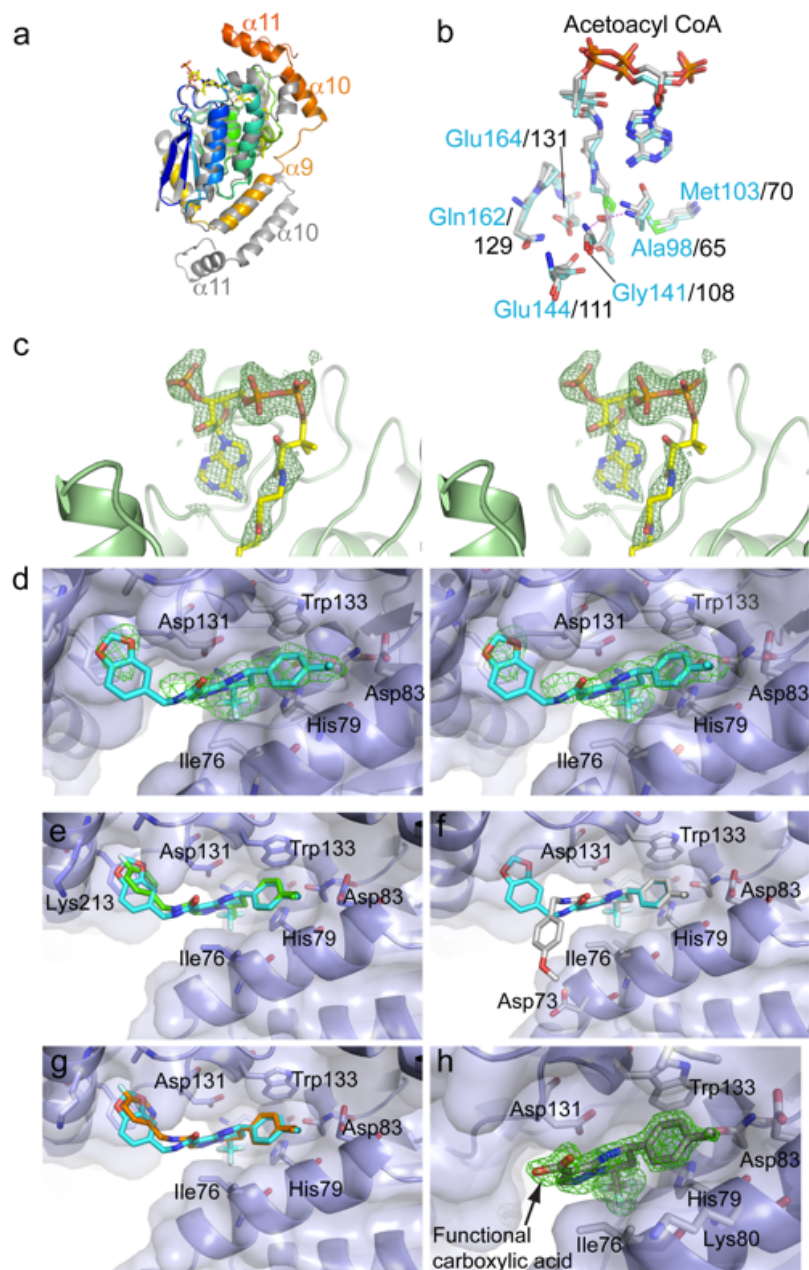
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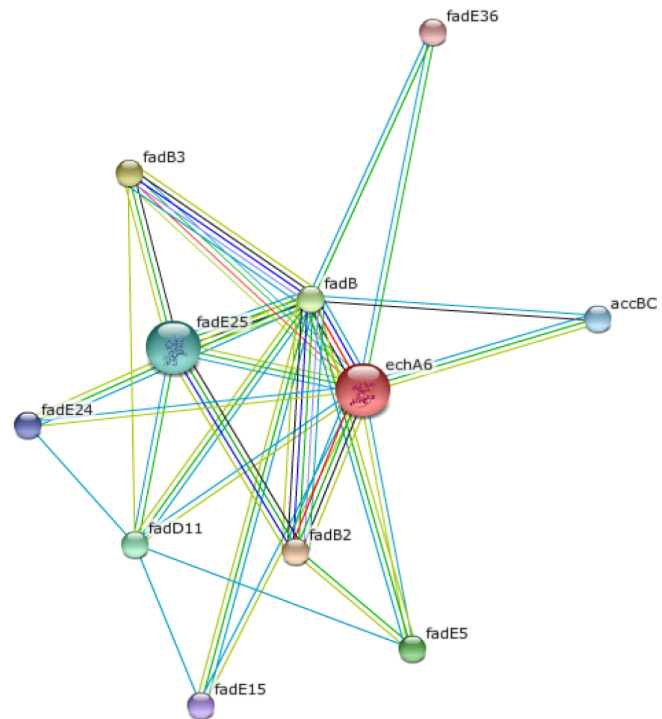




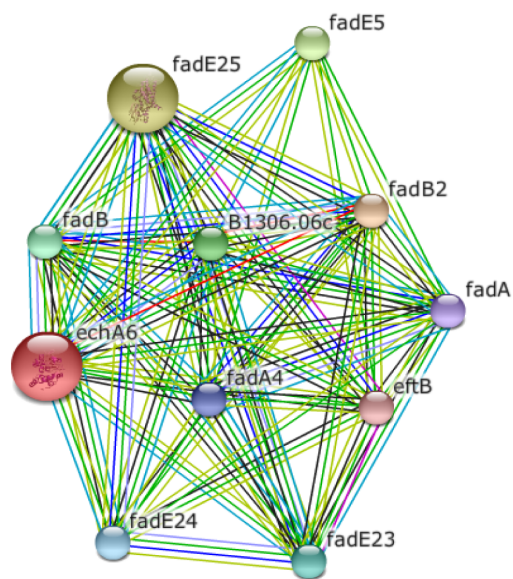




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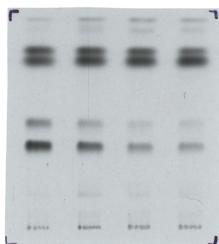


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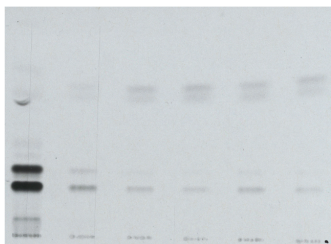


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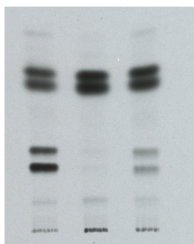


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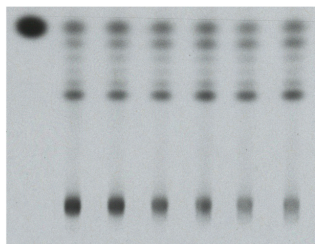


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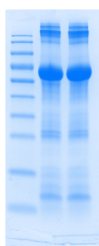


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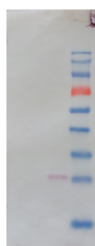
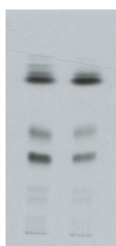
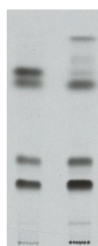


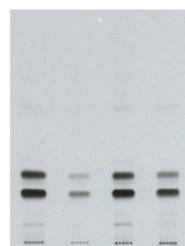
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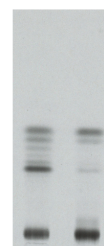
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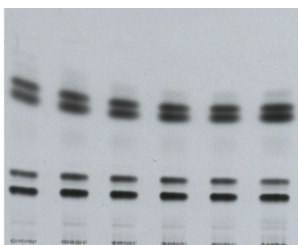
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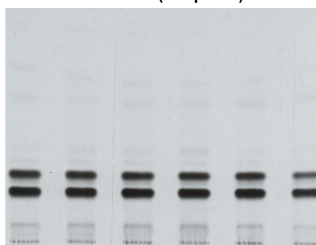
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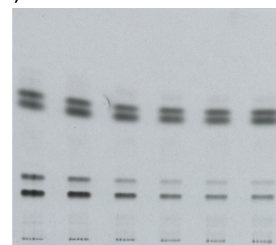
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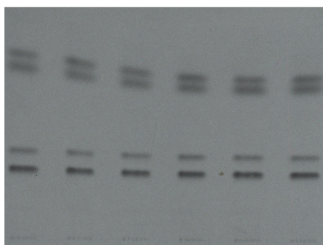
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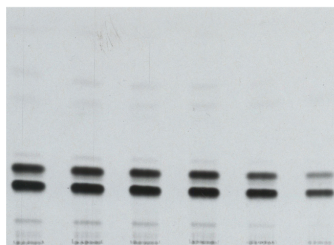
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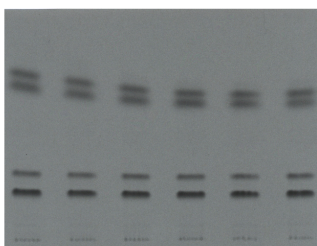
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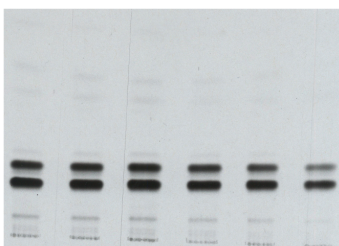
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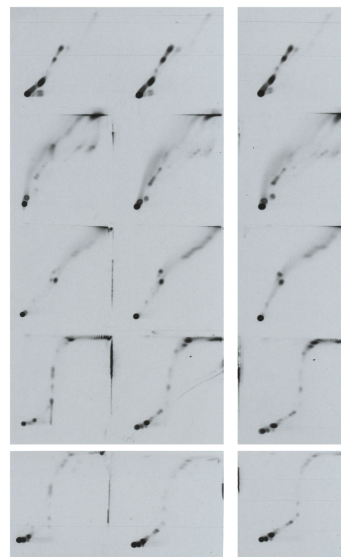
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Supplementary Figure 3

Supplementary Table 2: 6-plexed Chemoproteomics Experiment #2		sample 1 immobilized cpt: GSK729, 0.05 mM		sample 2 immobilized cpt: GSK729, 0.05 mM (replicate of sample 1)		sample 3 immobilized cpt: GSK729, 0.05 mM rebinding of nonbound fraction from sample 1		sample 3 immobilized cpt: GSK729, 0.05 mM rebinding of nonbound fraction from sample 2		sample 5 immobilized cpt: GSK729 100 µM competing cpt: GSK729 100 µM		sample 6 immobilized cpt: GSK729, 0.05 mM competing cpt: GSK729 10 µM										
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BCG_0479	60 KDA CHAPERONIN 2 GREL2	76577	7	7	0.56	18,920,223	29	0.59	18,975,455	29	0.51	16,177,051	29	0.87	27,753,061	29	1.14	36,644,112	29	1	32,265,669	29
BCG_2447	ALKYL HYDROPEROXIDE REDUCTASE C PROTEIN	21566	6	6	1.05	22,048,865	17	1.13	23,606,614	17	1.02	21,472,298	17	1.08	22,867,528	17	0.89	18,483,061	17	1	20,847,507	17
BCG_0699	PUTATIVE RIBOSOMAL PROTEIN L1 RPLA	24726	6	4	0.89	6,981,629	13	1.27	12,823,219	13	0.8	8,113,595	13	1.19	11,540,7362	13	0.91	9,142,272	13	1	10,104,093	13
BCG_0280C	PUTATIVE 3-OXOACYL-ACYL-CARRIER PROTEIN f	46830	6	6	0.88	11,046,936	10	0.55	6,842,445	10	0.43	5,353,855	10	1.19	15,035,912	10	1.04	13,043,185	10	1	12,571,801	10
BCG_0098	PUTATIVE 35S RIBOSOMAL PROTEIN S18 r RPS1	9543	6	6	1.12	28,873,213	10	0.97	24,303,134	10	0.87	22,231,972	10	1.41	36,393,963	10	1.15	29,035,572	10	1	25,661,378	10
BCG_0752	PUTATIVE 35S RIBOSOMAL PROTEIN L4 RPLD	23743	6	6	0.76	12,963,165	12	0.98	16,747,963	12	1.09	18,466,335	12	0.98	16,874,188	12	1.26	21,576,211	12	1	17,140,846	12
BCG_3269C	PUTATIVE PREPROTEIN TRANSLOCASE SUBUNIT	106022	6	6	1.04	5,991,307	16	0.8	4,667,807	16	0.82	4,407,328	16	1.04	5,998,389	16	1.31	7,675,030	16	1	5,785,030	16
BCG_3883C	PUTATIVE FATTY-ACID COA LIGASE FAD32	69260	5	5	1	5,763,981	12	0.74	4,266,874	12	0.91	5,568,425	12	0.99	5,711,568	12	0.78	4,459,127	12	1	5,793,282	12
BCG_3008C	PUTATIVE 3-ISOPROPYLMALATE DEHYDRATASE E	21780	5	5	0.84	6,810,685	5	0.93	7,533,575	5	0.76	6,191,259	5	0.97	7,803,284	5	0.87	7,096,900	5	1	8,126,149	5
BCG_1595	PUTATIVE FATTY ACYL-COA REDUCTASE	36821	5	5	0.92	20,096,155	9	0.81	17,693,711	9	0.71	15,488,336	9	1.23	26,936,793	9	1.04	22,631,061	9	1	21,813,354	9
BCG_0516	HEPARIN BINDING HEMAGGLUTININ HBHA	21534	5	5	0.87	17,425,277	9	0.97	19,428,798	9	0.73	14,501,654	9	0.89	17,836,914	9	1.11	22,141,638	9	1	20,094,495	9
BCG_0780	HYPOTHETICAL PROTEIN	25980	5	5	1.07	13,375,046	9	1.29	16,086,333	9	0.87	10,012,397	9	1.15	14,373,935	9	1.18	14,776,931	9	1	12,171,917	9
BCG_3704C	DNA TOPOISOMERASE I TOPA	102370	5	5	1.08	12,079,166	26	1.11	12,184,585	26	0.82	9,230,913	26	1.02	11,376,411	26	1.22	13,679,046	26	1	11,233,520	26
BCG_1688	PUTATIVE INITIATION FACTOR IF-3/3NFC	22349	5	5	1.06	10,600,497	10	0.78	11,867,874	10	0.84	12,765,926	10	1.11	16,778,180	10	1.13	19,766,601	10	1	15,164,761	10
BCG_3127C	PUTATIVE CELL DIVISION PROTEIN PROTEIN I	25096	5	5	1.03	6,307,885	9	0.85	5,208,564	9	1.21	7,477,020	9	1.35	8,298,120	9	1.41	8,646,497	9	1	6,158,489	9
BCG_0084	PUTATIVE 35S RIBOSOMAL PROTEIN S6 RPSF	19035	4	4	0.85	2,489,221	7	1.38	4,016,916	7	0.69	1,997,838	7	1.42	4,130,902	7	0.84	2,451,107	7	1	2,914,120	7
BCG_3862C	PUTATIVE LSP2 PROTEIN PRECURSOR	12098	4	4	0.99	4,726,361	10	0.85	4,056,255	10	1.06	5,003,533	10	1.15	5,509,663	10	0.89	4,262,565	10	1	4,791,310	10
BCG_3904	PUTATIVE BACTERIOFERITIN BFRB	20442	4	3	1	6,603,402	4	1.12	7,360,748	4	0.91	6,027,197	4	1.19	7,896,254	4	0.96	6,348,024	4	1	6,587,410	4
BCG_0750	30S RIBOSOMAL PROTEIN S10 RPSJ (TRANSCRIPT)	11431	4	3	1.23	13,129,480	7	1.07	11,404,262	7	0.95	10,130,186	7	1.19	12,771,723	7	1.05	11,231,300	7	1	10,700,139	7
BCG_0751	PUTATIVE 35S RIBOSOMAL PROTEIN L3 RPLD	23900	4	4	1.25	10,688,345	5	0.86	7,551,018	5	0.91	7,894,145	5	0.7	6,074,855	5	1.11	9,476,962	5	1	8,545,855	5
BCG_2911C	PUTATIVE 35S RIBOSOMAL PROTEIN S2 RPSB	31089	4	4	0.85	5,599,733	10	0.89	6,253,702	10	0.9	6,336,680	10	1.06	7,500,075	10	1.26	8,894,240	10	1	7,046,488	10
BCG_3883	PUTATIVE SHORT-CHAIN TYPE DEHYDROGENASE	27469	4	3	1.16	2,656,748	4	0.31	7,717,195	4	0.75	1,716,898	4	1.18	2,693,003	4	1.3	2,957,521	4	1	2,281,981	4
BCG_2243	HYPOTHETICAL PROTEIN	65332	4	4	1.67	2,713,499	7	1.84	2,986,500	7	0.42	679,269	7	1.78	2,892,943	7	1.66	2,538,273	7	1	1,626,615	7
BCG_1676	EXONUCLEASE ABC SUBUNIT A UVRA	106132	3	3	0.19	380,243	10	0.68	1,338,692	10	0.27	538,015	10	0.38	747,802	10	0.32	627,849	10	1	1,963,700	10
BCG_0504C	HYPOTHETICAL PROTEIN	21305	3	3	1.31	6,633,368	3	0.63	5,965,824	3	0.82	7,801,373	3	1.36	12,957,745	3	0.77	7,400,899	3	1	9,548,433	3
BCG_2768C	HYPOTHETICAL PROTEIN	59532	3	3	0.72	6,076,259	3	0.8	5,927,629	3	0.54	6,096,635	3	0.82	5,177,298	3	0.84	10,604,054	3	1	11,241,319	3
BCG_0163	PUTATIVE ALDEHYDE DEHYDROGENASE (NADH) f	55035	3	3	0.62	3,569,500	13	1.07	6,110,749	13	0.88	5,034,746	13	0.73	4,150,407	13	0.95	5,452,738	13	1	5,715,073	13
BCG_3487C	60 KDA CHAPERONIN 1 GREL1	55877	3	3	0.94	3,560,591	8	0.46	1,939,798	8	0.42	1,758,534	8	0.82	3,469,544	8	0.99	4,188,503	8	1	4,241,954	8
BCG_2862C	PUTATIVE MULTIFUNCTIONAL MYCOGLOSIDIC ACI	224396	3	3	0.71	4,148,478	11	1.13	6,549,469	11	0.53	3,108,438	11	0.87	5,045,389	11	1.02	5,941,255	11	1	5,814,886	11
BCG_3521C	PUTATIVE 35S RIBOSOMAL PROTEIN L17 RPLQ	19475	3	3	0.79	5,605,734	4	0.93	6,561,208	4	0.86	6,002,612	4	0.92	6,484,061	4	1.15	8,172,840	4	1	7,073,952	4
BCG_0767	PUTATIVE 35S RIBOSOMAL PROTEIN S14 RPSN1	8625	3	3	2.19	5,437,																

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Supplementary Table 3:
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Name	Protein description	MW	no_of_Quant. Spectra	no_of_Quant. Uniq. Peptides	IC50 (µM)	Hill Slope
BCG_0957	PUTATIVE ENOYL-COA HYDRATASE ECHA6		26029	73	21	1.81
BCG_0023C	PUTATIVE CHROMOSOME PARTITIONING PROT	37018	2	2	>30	0.93
BCG_0027C	PUTATIVE TRANSMEMBRANE PROTEIN	40944	2	2	>30	
BCG_0050C	HYPOTHETICAL PROTEIN TB39 8	56003	2	2	>30	
BCG_0085	PUTATIVE SINGLE-STRAND BINDING PROTEIN S	17353	38	7	>30	
BCG_0086	PUTATIVE 30S RIBOSOMAL PROTEIN S18-1 RPS	9543	4	3	>30	
BCG_0389	PUTATIVE CHAPERONE PROTEIN DNAK	66831	6	6	>30	
BCG_0437C	PUTATIVE ACYL-COA DEHYDROGENASE FADE7	42297	4	4	>30	
BCG_0479	60 KDA CHAPERONIN 2 GROEL2	56727	12	12	>30	
BCG_0504C	HYPOTHETICAL PROTEIN	21305	3	3	>30	
BCG_0516	HEPARIN BINDING HEMAGGLUTININ HBHA	21534	10	9	>30	
BCG_0573	HYPOTHETICAL PROTEIN	43055	3	3	>30	
BCG_0590C	HYPOTHETICAL PROTEIN	14346	2	2	>30	
BCG_0691C	METHOXY MYCOLIC ACID SYNTHASE 4 MMAA4	34636	3	3	>30	
BCG_0716	DNA-DIRECTED RNA POLYMERASE SUBUNIT BE	129236	18	14	>30	
BCG_0717	DNA-DIRECTED RNA POLYMERASE (BETA' CHAI	146710	16	16	>30	
BCG_0734	PUTATIVE ELONGATION FACTOR TU TUF (EF-TL	43594	6	5	>30	
BCG_0750	30S RIBOSOMAL PROTEIN S10 RPSJ (TRANSCRI	11431	4	4	>30	
BCG_0755	PUTATIVE 30S RIBOSOMAL PROTEIN S19 RPSS	10804	2	1	>30	
BCG_0757	PUTATIVE 30S RIBOSOMAL PROTEIN S3 RPSC	30020	9	8	>30	
BCG_0767	PUTATIVE 30S RIBOSOMAL PROTEIN S14 RPSN	6825	2	1	>30	
BCG_0770	PUTATIVE 50S RIBOSOMAL PROTEIN L18 RPLR	13184	3	3	>30	
BCG_0780	HYPOTHETICAL PROTEIN	25980	5	5	>30	
BCG_0956C	PUTATIVE ACETYL-COENZYME A CARBOXYLASI	51772	9	9	>30	
BCG_0963	HYPOTHETICAL PROTEIN	27627	3	3	>30	
BCG_1463	PUTATIVE PRIMOSOMAL PROTEIN N' PRIA	69839	4	4	>30	
BCG_1472C	PUTATIVE LIPOPROTEIN LPRG	24548	2	2	>30	
BCG_1595	PUTATIVE FATTY ACYL-COA REDUCTASE	36821	7	7	>30	
BCG_1668	PUTATIVE RIBOSOMAL PROTEIN S1 RPSA	53232	4	4	>30	
BCG_1676	EXCINUCLEASE ABC, SUBUNIT A UVRA	106132	4	4	>30	
BCG_1798	PUTATIVE CUTINASE CUT1	21999	2	1	>30	
BCG_1812C	HYPOTHETICAL INTEGRAL MEMBRANE PROTEII	63512	12	12	>30	
BCG_2142	HYPOTHETICAL PROTEIN	31871	9	6	>30	
BCG_2299	PUTATIVE ESTERASE LIPM	46681	2	2	>30	
BCG_2314	HYPOTHETICAL PROTEIN	34986	2	2	>30	
BCG_2447	ALKYL HYDROPEROXIDE REDUCTASE C PROTE	21566	7	6	>30	
BCG_2607C	ADENINE PHOSPHORIBOSYLTRANSFERASE AP	23246	2	2	>30	
BCG_2616C	PUTATIVE HOLLIDAY JUNCTION DNA HELICASE	20189	7	7	>30	
BCG_2724	IRON-DEPENDENT REPRESSOR AND ACTIVATO	25233	2	2	>30	
BCG_2767	HYPOTHETICAL PROTEIN	33610	2	2	>30	
BCG_2801C	BIFUNCTIONAL PROTEIN POLYRIBONUCLEOTID	79735	18	16	>30	
BCG_2859C	PUTATIVE TRANSLATION INITIATION FACTOR IF	94041	3	3	>30	
BCG_2925C	PUTATIVE 50S RIBOSOMAL PROTEIN L19 RPLS	13013	2	2	>30	
BCG_3007C	PUTATIVE DNA-BINDING PROTEIN HU HOMOLO	21292	6	5	>30	
BCG_3008C	PUTATIVE 3-ISOPROPYLMALATE DEHYDRATASI	21780	2	2	>30	
BCG_3009C	PUTATIVE 3-ISOPROPYLMALATE DEHYDRATASI	50199	4	4	>30	
BCG_3142	PUTATIVE THIOSULFATE SULFURTRANSFERASI	35999	4	4	>30	
BCG_3222C	PUTATIVE DNA HELICASE II HOMOLOG UVRD2	75604	14	13	>30	
BCG_3277C	PUTATIVE ADENOSYLHOMOCYSTEINASE SAHH	54324	3	3	>30	
BCG_3487C	60 KDA CHAPERONIN 1 GROEL1	55877	2	2	>30	
BCG_3488C	10 KDA CHAPERONIN GROES	10804	2	2	>30	
BCG_3521C	PUTATIVE 50S RIBOSOMAL PROTEIN L17 RPLQ	19475	2	2	>30	
BCG_3522C	PUTATIVE DNA-DIRECTED RNA POLYMERASE (/	37706	9	8	>30	
BCG_3523C	PUTATIVE 30S RIBOSOMAL PROTEIN S4 RPSD	23476	8	8	>30	
BCG_3524C	PUTATIVE 30S RIBOSOMAL PROTEIN S11 RPSK	14771	6	5	>30	
BCG_3662C	PUTATIVE LSR2 PROTEIN PRECURSOR	12098	4	4	>30	
BCG_3704C	DNA TOPOISOMERASE I TOPA	102370	45	40	>30	
BCG_3743	PUTATIVE LYASE	37641	2	2	>30	
BCG_3863C	PUTATIVE FATTY-ACID-COA LIGASE FADD32	69260	5	5	>30	
BCG_3904	PUTATIVE BACTERIOFERRITIN BFRB	20442	2	2	>30	
BCG_3915	PUTATIVE HISTONE-LIKE PROTEIN HNS	13823	3	3	>30	

Ligand	K_d (μM)		B_{max}	R^2
C ₄ -CoA	10.4 \pm 2.4		3476 \pm 175	0.921
C ₁₂ -CoA	3.0 \pm 1.1		2759 \pm 135	0.87
C ₁₄ -CoA	3.1 \pm 0.9		2916 \pm 97	0.935
C ₁₆ -CoA	2.8 \pm 1.4		2321 \pm 136	0.819
C ₁₈ -CoA	1.4 \pm 1.3		2971 \pm 203	0.777
C ₂₀ -CoA	3.5 \pm 0.4		2222 \pm 199	0.671
GSK951A	0.45 \pm 0.06		169 \pm 2	0.957
GSK366A	5.6 \pm 0.9		1947 \pm 108	0.954
GSK059A	9.6 \pm 1.9		2653 \pm 240	0.937
GSK572A	1.9 \pm 0.6		2506 \pm 156	0.837
GSK573A	285.8 \pm 68.9		21827 \pm 4074	0.980
Competition C₂₀-CoA with GSK951A		Fold increase of K_d relative to no drug		
0.25 μM drug	2.6 \pm 0.9	0.7	2278 \pm 104	0.92
2.5 μM drug	13.6 \pm 2.1	3.8	994 \pm 52	0.968
10 μM drug	10.2 \pm 5.5	2.9	917 \pm 144	0.709
Competition C₄-CoA with GSK951A				
0.25 μM drug	8.9 \pm 2.7	0.86	4665 \pm 381	0.887
2.5 μM drug	23.1 \pm 2.8	2.2	3154 \pm 162	0.985
10 μM drug	N.D.	-	N.D.	
Binding of point mutant				
EchA6 ^{W133A} + GSK951A	N.D.	-	N.D.	
EchA6 ^{W133A} + C ₂₀ -CoA	141.7 \pm 15.3	-	1196 \pm 67	0.951

N.D. – not determined due to failure of non-linear fitting.

X-ray diffraction data							
	apo EchA6	EchA6:C20-CoA	EchA6:GSK366	EchA6:GSK059	EchA6:GSK572	EchA6:GSK951	EchA6:GSK729
PDB accession code	5DTP	5DTW	5DU4	5DU6	5DU8	5DUC	5DUF
X-ray source	Diamond I04	Diamond I03	Diamond I04-1	Diamond I03	Diamond I03	In-house	Diamond I04-1
Wavelength (Å)	0.9795	0.9763	0.92	0.9763	0.9762	1.5414	0.92
Space group	$P3_221$	$P2_1$	$H3$	$P2_12_12_1$	$P2_12_12_1$	$P2_12_12_1$	$P6_3$
Cell parameters a, b, c (Å)	103.1, 103.1, 143.4	113.7, 51.4, 156.9, $\beta = 106.7^\circ$	94.83, 94.83, 87.51	51.4, 116.6, 171.8	51.4, 116, 171.5	51.4, 119.2, 171.6	103.9, 103.9, 54.4
Molecules in asymmetric unit	3	6	1	3	3	3	1
Resolution (last shell) (Å)	89.3 - 1.91 (1.96 - 1.91)	108.9 - 2.4 (2.46 - 2.40)	47.4 - 1.7 (1.75 - 1.70)	85.9 - 2.61 (2.68 - 2.61)	96.1 - 2.23 (2.29 - 2.23)	48.9 - 2.7 (2.85 - 2.70)	51.9 - 1.43 (1.47 - 1.43)
R_{merge} (%) ¹⁾	6.5 (70.4)	8.4 (49.9)	6.4 (53.0)	10.5 (59.2)	9.4 (67.4)	9.8 (35.9)	4.5 (67.5)
Total/unique observations	505752 / 68929	246225 / 68420	175974 / 31804	135533 / 31967	322214 / 50922	338678 / 29564	696415 / 61860
$I/\sigma(I)$ ¹⁾	15.9 (2.7)	9.6 (2.1)	12.6 (2.7)	8.7 (2.0)	11.9 (2.9)	25.8 (7.3)	26.2 (3.5)
Completeness (%) ¹⁾	100 (100)	99.4 (99.5)	98.9 (99.3)	99.0 (99.4)	99.9 (99.8)	99.6 (97.5)	100 (99.9)
Multiplicity ¹⁾	7.3 (7.4)	3.6 (3.3)	5.5 (5.7)	4.2 (4.3)	6.3 (6.2)	11.5 (11.1)	11.3 (11.1)
Refinement							
Resolution range	89.3 - 1.91	108.93 - 2.4	47.4 - 1.7	85.9 - 2.6	96.07 - 2.23	48.9 - 2.7	51.9 - 1.50
Unique reflections	65376	64285	31794	31907	48273	29498	53631
Rcryst / Rfree (%)	18.2 / 20.1	23.7 / 27.6	19.3 / 21.5	19.3 / 24.0	21.9 / 25.4	18.7 / 23.4	17.3 / 18.4
No of non-hydrogen atoms	5610	11052	1927	5608	5606	5729	2096
Protein / Ligand / Solvent	5284 / - / 326	10793 / 138 / 121	1800 / 33 / 94	5419 / 87 / 102	5344 / 96 / 163	5452 / 168 / 109	1801 / 24 / 271
RMSD bonds / angles (Å / °)	0.006 / 0.976	0.009 / 1.24	0.006 / 1.2	0.009 / 1.13	0.009 / 1.38	0.009 / 1.38	0.006 / 1.14
Wilson B-factor (Å ²)	28.4	32.9	30	40.2	31.6	41.6	19.1
Overall average B-factor (Å ²)	32.5	31.1	34.5	47.8	40.4	27.6	23.2
Protein / Ligand / Solvent (Å ²)	32.5 / - / 33.5	31.2 / 35.4 / 24.2	34.7 / 34.8 / 31.5	47.9 / 49.2 / 36.1	40.4 / 38.5 / 39.7	26.7 / 56.6 / 23.7	21.7 / 20.6 / 33.4
RMSD B-factors (Å ²)	0.95	4.4	1.3	3.2	1.4	3.3	1.9
Ramachandran plot ²⁾ Favoured / allowed / disallowed (%)	97.4 / 2.5 / 0.1	96.7 / 3.6 / 0.1	97.1 / 2.9 / 0	95.8 / 4.0 / 0.2	96.9 / 3.0 / 0.1	95.6 / 4.4 / 0.0	97.9 / 2.1 / 0

¹⁾Values in parentheses refer to the high resolution shell. ²⁾ The Ramachandran plot distribution was calculated using Molprobit.

	<i>M. tuberculosis</i> H37Rv		<i>M. bovis</i> BCG		<i>M. smegmatis</i>		<i>M. marinum</i>		<i>M. leprae</i>	
	% seq id	Accession	% seq id	Accession	% seq id	Accession	% seq id	Accession	% seq id	Accession
EchA6	100	CCP43653.1	100	NP_854586.1	74	YP_889873.1	74	EPQ74024.1	86	NP_302400.1
EchA1¹⁾	100	CAB06989.1	-		66	YP_886579.1	92	YP_001848785.1	-	
EchA2	100	CAB09570.1	100	NP_854127.1	-		91	WP_020731738.1	-	
EchA3	100	CAB07121.1	100	NP_854307.1	56	YP_885721.1	85	EPQ73703.1	-	
EchA4	100	CAA17470.1	100	NP_854350.1	90	YP_885774.1	93	YP_001849314.1	-	
EchA5	100	CCP43418.1	100	P_854352.1	82	YP_885776.1	89	WP_020731927.1	-	
EchA7	100	CCP43720.1	100	NP_854653.1	72	YP_889733.1	83	EPQ74105.1	-	
EchA8¹⁾	100	CCP43821.1	100	NP_854754.1	82	YP_889523.1	91	YP_001852658.1	86	NP_302555.1
EchA9	100	CCP43822.1	100	NP_854755.1	68	YP_889522.1	83	WP_020729788.1	78	NP_302554.1
EchA10	100	CCP43897.1	100	NP_854830.1	64	YP_889431.1	70	YP_001852570.1	-	
EchA11	100	CCP43896.1	100	NP_854829.1	61	YP_889431.1	61	WP_020729866.1	-	
EchA12	100	CCP44231.1	99	NP_855159.1	82	YP_006567817.1	90	WP_020724991.1	72	NP_301896.1
EchA13	100	CCP44702.1	100	NP_855620.1	62	YP_006570456.1	86	YP_001851158.1	-	-
EchA14	100	CCP45280.1	100	NP_856158.1	75	YP_888969.1	43	YP_001852883.1	-	
EchA15	100	CCP45477.1	100	NP_856344.1	33	YP_889854.1	88	YP_001850341.1	-	
EchA16	100	CCP45632.1	100	YP_978935.1	81	YP_886978.1	90	YP_001850207.1	-	
EchA17	100	CCP45848.1	100	NP_856710.1	67	YP_885445.1	82	WP_020724610.1	86	NP_302187.1
EchA18	100	CCP46194.1	100	NP_857049.1	-		-		-	
EchA19¹⁾	100	CCP46338.1	99	NP_857184.1	84	YP_890141.1	91	YP_001853261.1	-	
EchA20	100	CCP46372.1	100	NP_857219.1	88	YP_890227.1	94	WP_020730809.1	-	
EchA21¹⁾	100	CCP46603.1	100	NP_857440.1	80	YP_890568.1	90	YP_001853588.1	88	NP_301216.1

¹⁾ EchA paralogues with conserved catalytic carboxylates required for enoyl-CoA hydratases activity are in bold.

Genes	Primer Sequence (5'-3')	Restriction site
EchA6 F 28a	CATGCATGCATATGATCGGTATCACCCAGGCAGA	NdeI
EchA6 R 28a	CATGCATGAAGCTTTTAAGCCCCTTGGAACCTCG	HindIII
TH_EchA6 F	CATGCATGTCTAGAAATGATCGGTATCACCCAGGC	XbaI
TH_EchA6 R	CATGCATGGGATCCTCAGCCCCTTGGAACCTCG	BamHI
TH_FabH F	ACTCTAGAGATGACGGAGATCGCCACGACC	XbaI
TH_FabH R	ATACGGTACCCGACCCTTCGGCATTTCGCACCAC	KpnI
TH_KasA F	ACTCTAGAGGTGAGTCAGCCTTCCACCGC	XbaI
TH_KasA R	ATACGGTACCCGGTAACGCCCCGAAGGCAAG	KpnI
TH_KasB F	ACTCTAGAGGTGGGGGTCCCCCGCTTGC	XbaI
TH_KasB R	ATACGGTACCCGGTACCGTCCGAAGGCGATTGC	KpnI
TH_InhA F	ACTCTAGAGATGACAGGACTGCTGGAC	XbaI
TH_InhA R	ATACGGTACCCGGAGCAATTGGGTGTGCGC	KpnI
TH_MabA F	ACTCTAGAGGTGACTGCCACAGCCAC	XbaI
TH_MabA R	ATACGGTACCCGGTGGCCCATACCCATGCC	KpnI
TH_HadA F	ACTCTAGAGGTGGCGTTGAGCGCAGAC	XbaI
TH_HadA R	ATACGGTACCCGCGCAGCGCCATCAGAAAATCC	KpnI
TH_HadB F	ACTCTAGAGATGGCGCTGCGTGAGTTC	XbaI
TH_HadB R	ATACGGTACCCGCGCTAACTTCGCCGAGGC	KpnI
TH_HadC F	ACTCTAGAGATGGCGCTCAAGACCGATATC	XbaI
TH_HadC R	TAC CCG GGG CGC GGT CCT GAT GAC CTG CCC	SmaI
BCG_0957_LL	TTTTTTTTCCATAAATTGGTCCCATGCCGCCGTAGATTCTC	Van91I
BCG_0957_LR	TTTTTTTTCCATTTCTTGGTCCAGGGCCAGACCGTATTTTCG	Van91I
BCG_0957_RL	TTTTTTTTCCATAGATTGGTCAACGACGACGGCGCTATC	Van91I
BCG_0957_RR	TTTTTTTTCCATCTTTTGGTCAGGAACCGTCCCGAGAAG	Van91I
mdRv0905_F	GATCGATCAAGCTTATGATCGGTATCACCCAGGC	HindIII
mdRv0905_R	GATCGATCATCGATTTAAGCCCCTTGGAACCTCG	ClaI
EchA6 F pVV16	CATGCATGCATATGATCGGTATCACCCAGGCAGA	NdeI
EchA6 R pVV16	CATGCATGAAGCTTAGCCCCTTGGAACCTTCGGCG	HindIII
EchA6 F_pMV261	GATCGATCTGGCCAAGATGATCGGTATCACCCAGGC	MscI
EchA6 R_pMV261	GATCGATCAAGCTTTTAAGCCCCTTGGAACCTCG	HindIII
MmpL3 F_pMV261	GGCTGGAATTCATGTTTCGCTGGTGGGGTTCG	EcoRI
MmpL3 R_pMV261	GGCAAGCTTTTAAAGGCGTCCTTCGCGGC	HindIII
EchA6 ^{WT33A} F SDM	GCCCTGGATAACGCGAGCATCCGCCG	-
EchA6 ^{WT33A} R SDM	CGGCGGATGCTCGCGTTATCCAGGGC	-