Supplementary Materials

A simplified mathematical model of directional DNA site-specific recombination by serine integrases
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Supplementary Figures

Figure S1. Comparison of the kinetics of the $P \times B(-R)$ reaction in minimal (Model M) (A) and full (Model A) (B) models. Reactions were with 10 nM of PB plasmid substrate and 400 nM integrase. The modelled data are shown by solid lines and experimental data by symbols (data taken from (1)). Error bars show standard deviations.
### Supplementary Tables

Table S1. Parameter values of the model. The Table includes the forward rate constants \( k_{+r} \), \( k_{+syn} \), \( k_{+synr} \) (\( PB \rightarrow LR \) direction for “-R” and \( LR \rightarrow PB \) for “+R” reactions); the reverse rate constants \( k_{-r1} \), \( k_{-r2} \), \( k_{-syn} \), \( k_{-synr} \); the dissociation constant for the formation of \( PBI, LRI_2, LRIR, PBIR_2 \) and \( PBIR_i \) complexes, \( K_{bi} \); the dissociation constant of the formation of unproductive integrase-\( LR \) complex \( LRIR_i \), \( K_{LIRi} \); the dissociation constant of the formation of integrase-RDF complex \( IR \) in solution, \( K_{ir} \). The dimensionless equilibrium constants of recombination and modification steps “\( r1 \)”, “\( r2 \)”, “\( syn \)”, “\( synr \)”, which are determined as \( K_{eq,n} = k_{+n} / k_{-n} \) for each step “\( n \)”, are shown in brackets.

| parameter | \( k_{+r} \) | \( k_{-r1} \) | \( k_{-r2} \) | \( k_{+syn} \) | \( k_{-syn} \) |
|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| value     | 6 h\(^{-1}\) | 2.14 h\(^{-1}\) (\( K_{r1}=2.8 \)) | 3 h\(^{-1}\) (\( K_{r2}=2 \)) | 0.006 h\(^{-1}\) (\( K_{syn}=0.35 \)) | 0.017 h\(^{-1}\) |

| parameter | \( k_{+synr} \) | \( k_{-synr} \) | \( K_{bi} \) | \( K_{LIRi} \) | \( K_{ir} \) |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| value     | 0.06 h\(^{-1}\) (\( K_{syn}=0.5 \)) | 0.12 h\(^{-1}\) | 0.0001 \( \mu \)M\(^4\) | 0.00002 \( \mu \)M\(^4\) | 0.05 \( \mu \)M |

### Matlab code of the model

```matlab
% main model file, calling for ode file Model_min_mod_1116.m

% time unit - hour

% y(1)  BPtot
% y(2)  LR-int4 first
% y(3)  BP-int4-rdf2 first

Int_tot=0.4; RDF_tot=0.; %concentrations of integrase and RDF in mkM
%y0=[0 0 0]; RDF_tot=0.4; % initial conditions for LxR reaction

options = odeset();
%options = odeset('MaxStep',0.00001);
b=rdf_tot+Kir;
int=0.5*(sqrt(b*b+4*Int_tot*Kir)-b);
rdf=rdf_tot-int+int;

t=[0 3]; % time interval
[T, Y] = ode15s(@(Model_min_mod_1116,t,y0,options,int,rdf,Dtot,Kir,Kr1,Kr2,Ksyn,Ksynr,KbI,Klri);

LRt=Dtot-Y(:,1);
Intrdf=int*rdf/Kir;
BP=(Y(:,1)-Y(:,3))/(1+int^4/KbI+Intrdf^4/KbI+int^2*Intrdf^2/KbI);
LR=(Dtot-Y(:,1)-Y(:,2))/(1+int^4/KbI+Intrdf^4/KbI+int^2*Intrdf^2/Klri);
PBI=BP*int^4/KbI;
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model file min_mod_1116.m

% main model file, calling for ode file Model_min_mod_1116.m

Kr1=2.8; Kr2=2; Kir=0.05; Ksyn=0.36; Ksynr=0.5; KbI=0.0001; Klri=0.00002;

% time unit - hour

% y(1)  BPtot
% y(2)  LR-int4 first
% y(3)  BP-int4-rdf2 first

Dtot=0.01; y0=[Dtot 0 0]; % initial conditions for PxB reaction
int_tot=0.4; RDF_tot=0.; %concentrations of integrase and RDF in mkM
%y0=[0 0 0]; RDF_tot=0.4; % initial conditions for LxR reaction

options = odeset();
%options = odeset('MaxStep',0.00001);
b=rdf_tot+Kir;
int=0.5*(sqrt(b*b+4*Int_tot*Kir)-b);
rdf=rdf_tot-int+int;

t=[0 3]; % time interval
[T, Y] = ode15s(@(Model_min_mod_1116,t,y0,options,int,rdf,Dtot,Kir,Kr1,Kr2,Ksyn,Ksynr,KbI,Klri);

LRt=Dtot-Y(:,1);
Intrdf=int*rdf/Kir;
PBI=(Y(:,1)-Y(:,3))/(1+int^4/KbI+Intrdf^4/KbI+int^2*Intrdf^2/KbI);
LR=(Dtot-Y(:,1)-Y(:,2))/(1+int^4/KbI+Intrdf^4/KbI+int^2*Intrdf^2/Klri);
PBI=PBI*int^4/KbI;
LRt2=LR*int^4/KbI;
LRtR=LR*intrdf^4/KbI;
BPtR2=BP*intrdf^4/KbI;

% kinetics of the total LR and PB during PxB reaction; t=[0 3]; integrase=0.4 mkM, rdf=0
% to run LxR reaction, change initial condition to y0=[0 0 0]
% to calculate the product level at 3h, use the last datapoint of the product vector: LRt for PxB reaction; Y(:,1) for LxR reaction
% to calculate reaction kinetics with other integrase or RDF concentration, change values of variables int_tot=0.4 and rdf_tot

figure (1)
plot(T,LRt/Dtot,'r');
hold on;
plot(T,Y(:,1)/Dtot,'b');
hold on;
title('LR_t-red; BP_t-blue');

the program uses the following function Model_min_mod_1116.m:

function Func = Model_min_mod_1116(t,y,int,rdf,Dtot,Kir,Kr1,Kr2,Ksyn,Ksynr,KbI,Klri);
% solving ODEs
Func = zeros(3, 1);
% y(1) BPtot
% y(2) LR-int4 first
% y(3) BP-int4-rdf2 first

kpr=6;
kmr1=kpr/Kr1;
kmr2=kpr/Kr2;
kpsyn=0.006;
kmsyn=kpsyn/Ksyn;
kpsynr=0.06;
kmsynr=kpsynr/Ksynr;

intrdf=int*rdf/Kir;
Bp=(y(1)-y(3))/(1+int^4/KbI+intrdf^4/KbI+int^2*intrdf^2/KbI);
Lr=(Dtot-y(1)-y(2))/(1+int^4/KbI+intrdf^4/KbI+int^2*intrdf^2/Klri);
Bpl=BP*intrdf^4/KbI;
LrI2=LR*intrdf^4/KbI;
LrIR=LR*intrdf^4/KbI;
BpIR2=BP*intrdf^4/KbI;

Func(1) = kmr1*y(2)-kpr*Bpl+kpr*LrIR-kmr2*y(3);
Func(2) = kpr*Bpl-kmr1*y(2)-kpsyn*y(2)+kmsyn*LrI2;
Func(3) = kpr*LrIR-kmr2*y(3)-kpsynr*y(3)+kmsynr*BpIR2;

To reproduce Figures, run the following scripts:
For Fig. 2B run file makeFig2B.m:

% run this file to reproduce Fig.2B
% Dependence of the level of LR product (% from max) after 3h of PxB reaction on concentration of integrase
% Different lines correspond to different concentrations of RDF: 0 (blue),
% 50 nM (red), 100 nM (yellow), 200 nM (black), 400 nM (magenda), 800 nM (green)

Dtot=0.01;
y0=[Dtot 0 0]; % initial conditions for PxB reaction

RDF = [0,0.05,0.1,0.2,0.4,0.8];
col = ['b','r','y','k','m','g'];

goto
for r=1:length(RDF)
    rdf_tot=RDF(r); %concentrations of RDF
    %y0=[0 0 0]; rdf_tot=0.4; % initial conditions for LxR reaction
    for i=1:17
        x_int(i)=0.05*(i-1);
        int_tot=x_int(i);
        [Y,T]=min_mod_251116(rdf_tot, int_tot, y0, 3);
        PB=Y(:,1);
        LRt=Dtot-PB;
        LR_3h(i)=LRt(end)/Dtot*100;
    end

    plot(x_int*1000,LR_3h,col(r),'DisplayName',num2str(rdf_tot*1000));
    hold on;
end
goto

xlabel('integrase, nM');
ylabel('LR, %');
title('LR product after 3h for different integrase and RDF concentrations (nM)')
legend('show')

For Fig. 2D run file makeFig2D.m:

% run this file to reproduce Fig.2D
% Dependence of the level of PB product (% from max) after 3h of LxR reaction on concentration of integrase
% Different lines correspond to different concentrations of RDF: 0 (blue), 50 nM (red), 100 nM (yellow), 200 nM (black), 400 nM (magenta), 800 nM (green)

Dtot=0.01;
y0=[0 0 0]; % initial conditions for LxR reaction

RDF = [0,0.05,0.1,0.2,0.4,0.8];
col = ['b','r','y','k','m','g'];

goto
for r=1:length(RDF)
    rdf_tot=RDF(r); %concentrations of RDF
    for i=1:17
        x_int(i)=0.05*(i-1);
        int_tot=x_int(i);
        [Y,T]=min_mod_251116(rdf_tot, int_tot, y0, 3);
        PB=Y(:,1);
        PB_3h(i)=PB(end)/Dtot*100;
    end
end
% run this file to reproduce Fig.3
% time courses of the most abundant DNA-containing products
% Panels A and B show the kinetics of the "allowed" reactions (PxB(-R) and LxR(+R))
% Panels C and D display the kinetics of the "forbidden" reactions (LxR(-R) and PxB(+R))

Dtot=0.01; Kr1=2.8; Kr2=2; Kir=0.05; Ksyn=0.36; Ksynr=0.5; Kbl=0.0001; Klri=0.00002; int_tot=0.4;

figure()
% panel A
subplot(2,2,1)

y0=[Dtot 0 0]; % initial conditions for PxB reaction
rdf_tot=0; %concentrations of RDF
b=rdf_tot-int_tot+Kir;
int=0.5*(sqrt(b^2+4*int_tot*Kr1)-b);
 rdf= rdf_tot-int_tot+int;
 Intrdf= int*rdf/Kir;
 [Y,T]= min_mod_251116(rdf_tot, int_tot, y0, 1000);
PxB=Y(:,1);
LRt=(Dtot-PxB);
LR=(Dtot-Y(:,1)-Y(:,2))/(1+int^4/KbI+Intrdf^4/KbI+int^2*Intrdf^2/KbI);
LRI2=LR*int^4/KbI;

semilogx(T,LRt/Dtot,'r--');
hold on;
semilogx(T,Y(:,2)/Dtot,'r--');
semilogx(T,LRI2/Dtot,'r:');
xlim([1e-3,1e3])
ylim([0,1])
ax=gca
ax.set('XTick',10.^[ -3:3])
xlabel('time, h');
ylabel('LR, fraction from total DNA');
legend('LR_{tot}','LRI_{1}','LRI_{2}','Location','northwest')
title('"allowed" reaction PxB(-R)')

% panel B
y0=[0 0 0]; % initial conditions for LxR reaction
rdf_tot=0.8; %concentrations of RDF
b=rdf_tot-int_tot+Kir;
int=0.5*(sqrt(b^2+4*int_tot*Kr1)-b);
 rdf= rdf_tot-int_tot+int;
 Intrdf= int*rdf/Kir;
 [Y,T]= min_mod_251116(rdf_tot, int_tot, y0, 1000);
BP=Y(:,1);
PBT=(Y(:,1)-Y(:,3))/(1+int^4/KbI+Intrdf^4/KbI+int^2*Intrdf^2/KbI);
PBTIR2=BP*Intrdf^4/KbI;
```matlab
subplot(2,2,2)
semilogx(T,PBt/Dtot,'b');
hold on;
semilogx(T,Y(:,3)/Dtot,'b--');
semilogx(T,BPIR2/Dtot,'b:');
xlim([1e-3,1e3])
ylim([0,1])
ax=gca;
ax.set('XTick',10.^[-3:3])
xlabel('time, h');
ylabel('PB, fraction from total DNA');
legend('PB_{tot}','PBIR_1','PBIR_2','Location','northwest')
title('"allowed" reaction LxR(+R)')

% panel C
y0=[0 0 0]; % initial conditions for LxR reaction
dot_tot=0.; %concentrations of RDF
b=rdf_tot-int_tot+Kir;
int=0.5*(sqrt(b^2+4*int_tot*Kir)-b);
rdf=rdf_tot-int_tot+int;
Intrad=int*rdf/Kir;
[Y,T]=min_mod_251116(rdf_tot, int_tot, y0, 1000);
PB=Y(:,1);
LR=(dot_tot-PB);
LR=(dot_tot-Y(:,1)-Y(:,2))/(1+int^4/KbI+Intrad^4/KbI+int^2*Intrad^2/KbI);
LR2=LR*int^4/KbI;

subplot(2,2,3)
semilogx(T,LRt/Dtot,'r');
hold on;
semilogx(T,Y(:,2)/Dtot,'r--');
semilogx(T,LRI2/Dtot,'r:');
xlim([1e-3,1e3])
ylim([0,1])
ax=gca;
ax.set('XTick',10.^[-3:3])
xlabel('time, h');
ylabel('LR, fraction from total DNA');
legend('LR_{tot}','LRI_1','LRI_2','Location','northwest')
title('"forbidden" reaction LxR(-R)')

% panel D
y0=[Dot 0 0]; % initial conditions for PxR reaction
dot_tot=0.8; %concentrations of RDF
b=rdf_tot-int_tot+Kir;
int=0.5*(sqrt(b^2+4*int_tot*Kir)-b);
rdf=rdf_tot-int_tot+int;
Intrad=int*rdf/Kir;
[Y,T]=min_mod_251116(rdf_tot, int_tot, y0, 1000);
PBt=Y(:,1);
BP=(Y(:,1)-Y(:,3))/(1+int^4/KbI+Intrad^4/KbI+int^2*Intrad^2/KbI);
BPIR2=BP*Intrad^4/KbI;

subplot(2,2,4)
semilogx(T,PBt/Dtot,'b');
hold on;
semilogx(T,Y(:,3)/Dtot,'b--');
semilogx(T,BPIR2/Dtot,'b:');
xlim([1e-3,1e3])
ylim([0,1])
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% run this file to reproduce Fig.4
% effect of addition of RDF on PxB(-R) reaction. RDF added after 1 hour (solid line)
% The kinetics of the LxR(+R) reaction is shown for comparison by a dotted line
% The computations were performed with 400 nM integrase and 800 nM RDF

Dtot=0.01; Kr1=2.8; Kr2=2; Kir=0.05; Ksyn=0.36; Ksynr=0.5; Kbl=0.0001; Klri=0.00002; int_tot=0.4;

y0=[Dtot 0 0];
rdf_tot=0;
[Y,T]=min_mod_251116(rdf_tot, int_tot, y0, 1);
PBl=Y(:,1);
figure()
p1=semilogx(T,PBl/Dtot,'b', 'DisplayName', 'PxB(-R) reaction');
hold on;

rdf_tot=0.8;
y0=[Y(end,1) Y(end,2) Y(end,3)];
[Y,T]=min_mod_251116(rdf_tot, int_tot, y0, 100);
PBl=Y(:,1);
T=T+1;
semilogx(T,PBl/Dtot,'b');

y0=[0 0 0];
rdf_tot=0;
[Y,T]=min_mod_251116(rdf_tot, int_tot, y0, 1);
PBl=Y(:,1);
p2=semilogx(T,PBl/Dtot,'b', 'DisplayName', 'LxR(+R) reaction');

rdf_tot=0.8;
y0=[Y(end,1) Y(end,2) Y(end,3)];
[Y,T]=min_mod_251116(rdf_tot, int_tot, y0, 100);
PBl=Y(:,1);
T=T+1;
semilogx(T,PBl/Dtot,'b:');
xlabel('time, h');
ylabel('PB, fraction from total DNA');
legend([p1,p2], 'PxB(-R) reaction', 'LxR(+R) reaction');
title('Simulated effect of addition of RDF after 1h')

The files, which reproduce the figures are calling for the funcion min_mod_251116.m:

function [Y,T] = min_mod_251116(rdf_tot, int_tot, y0,Tfin)
Dtot=0.01; Kr1=2.8; Kr2=2; Kir=0.05; Ksyn=0.36; Ksynr=0.5; Kbl=0.0001; Klri=0.00002;
% time unit - hour
%y0 - initial conditions for the reaction
%int_tot, rdf_tot - concentrations of integrase and RDF in mkM

options = odeset();  
    %options = odeset('MaxStep',0.0001);
    b=rdf_tot-int_tot+Kir;
    int=0.5*(sqrt(b*b+4*int_tot*Kir)-b);
    rdf=rdf_tot-int_tot+int;

    t=[0 Tfin];  % time interval
    % kinetics of the reaction
        options = odeset('MaxStep',0.1);
        [T, Y] = ode15s(@Model_min_mod_1116,t,y0,options,int,rdf,Dtot,Kir,Kr1,Kr2,Ksyn,Ksynr,KbI,Klri);

PB=Y(:,1);  % PB total

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