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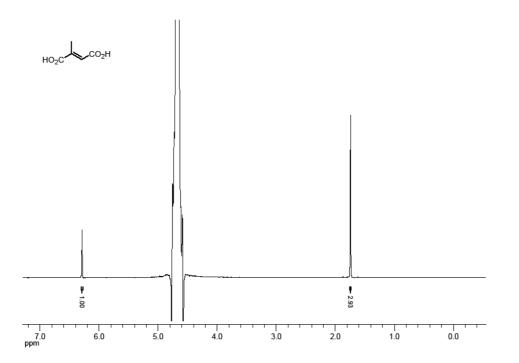
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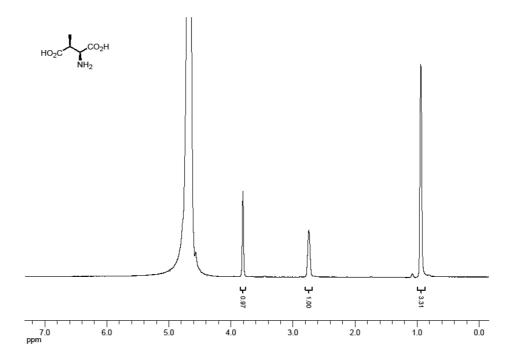
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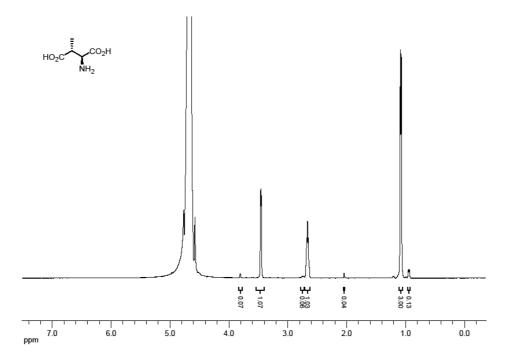
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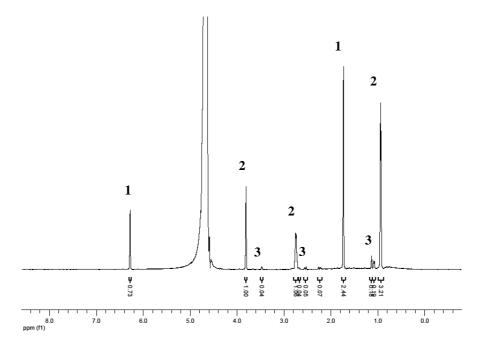
**Figure S1.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of mesaconate (1).  $\delta$  = 1.73 (s, 3H; CH<sub>3</sub>), 6.28 (s, 1H; CH).



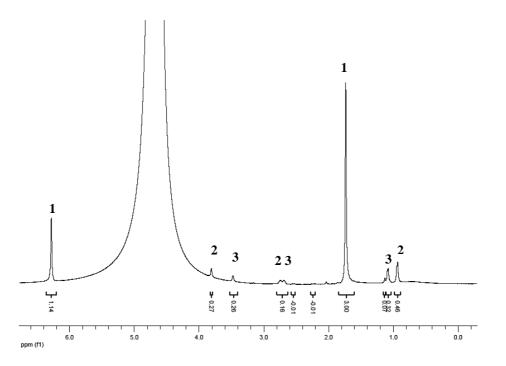
**Figure S2.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of the material used as substrate **2**, which is a 1:1 mixture of the enantiomers (2*S*,3*S*)- and (2*R*,3*R*)-3-methylaspartic acid. The (2*R*,3*R*)-enantiomer is not a substrate nor an inhibitor of MAL.  $\delta$  = 0.94 (s, 3H; CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.74 (s, 1H; CH), 3.81 (s, 1H; CH).



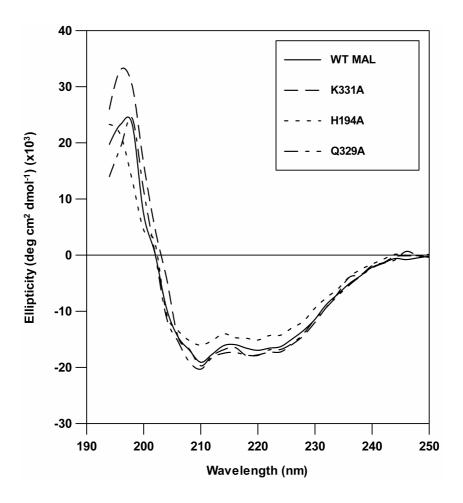
**Figure S3.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of (2S,3R)-3-methylaspartic acid (**3**).  $\delta$  = 1.08 (d, <sup>3</sup>*J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H; CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.63-2.70 (m, 1H; CH), 3.46 (d, <sup>3</sup>*J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H; CH). Contaminant **2** (5-6%):  $\delta$  = 0.94 (d), 2.04 (s), 2.74 (m), 3.81 (s).



**Figure S4.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum identifying the products of the MAL-catalyzed deamination of **2**. The spectrum was taken after a 13 day-incubation period. Ratio **1** : **2** : **3** = 41 : 57 : 2.  $\delta$  = 0.93 (d, <sup>3</sup>*J* = 6.5 Hz, 3H; CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.08 (d, <sup>3</sup>*J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H; CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.74 (s, 3H; CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.71-2.78 (m, 2H; CH), 3.46-3.48 (m, 1H; CH), 3.81 (s, 1H; CH), 6.28 (s, 1H; CH<sub>3</sub>). Impurity  $\delta$  = 1.13 (s), 2.24 (d), 2.54 (d).



**Figure S5.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum identifying the products of the MAL-catalyzed deamination of **3**. The spectrum was taken after a 13 day-incubation period. Ratio **1** : **2** : **3** = 79 : 12 : 9.  $\delta$  = 0.93 (d, <sup>3</sup>*J* = 6.5 Hz, 3H; CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.08 (d, <sup>3</sup>*J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H; CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.74 (s, 3H; CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.65-2.78 (m, 2H, CH), 3.47 (s, 1H; CH), 3.81 (s, 1H; CH), 6.28 (s, 1H; CH<sub>3</sub>). Impurity  $\delta$  =1.13 (s), 2.24 (d), 2.54 (d).



**Figure S6.** Superimposed far-UV CD spectra of wild-type and mutant enzymes. The CD spectra of all the mutants were comparable to that of wild-type MAL, but for clarity only the CD spectra of the K331A, H194A, and Q329A mutants are shown. Spectra were measured in 10 mM Tris buffer (pH 8.0), containing 2 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> and 0.1 mM KCl, at a protein concentration of approximately  $3.2 \mu$ M.