Supplementary information

Function and wide distribution of DMSOP cleaving enzymes in marine organisms

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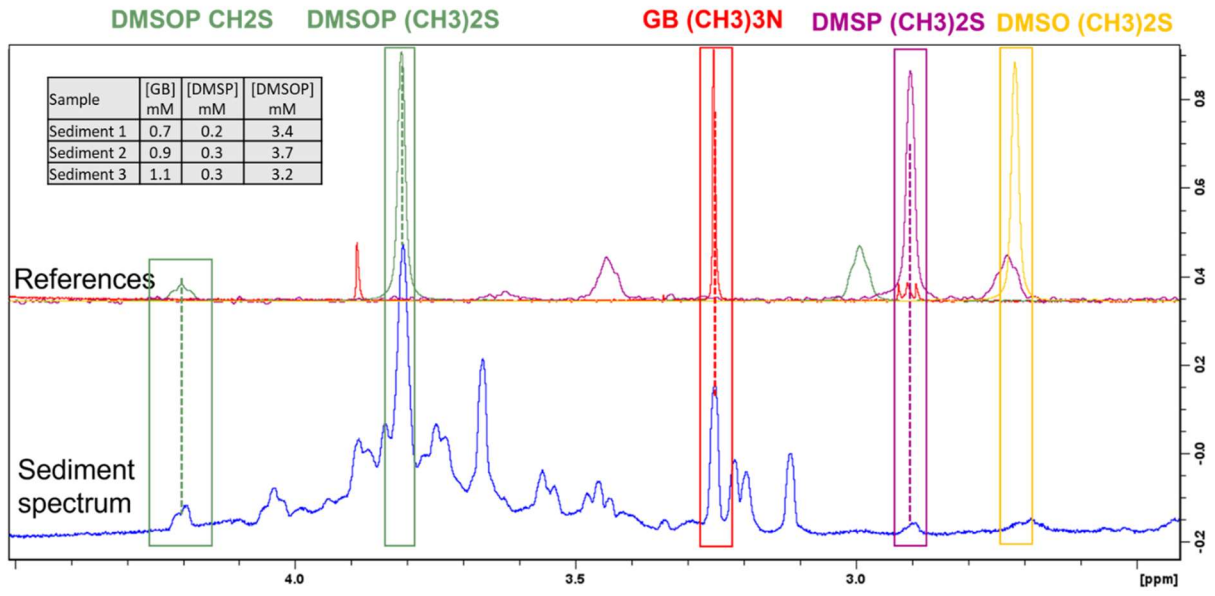

Sample	[GB] mM	[DMSP] mM	[DMSOP] mM
Sediment 1	0.7	0.2	3.4
Sediment 2	0.9	0.3	3.7
Sediment 3	1.1	0.3	3.2

Fig S1. Quantification of DMSOP, DMSP and glycine betaine (GB) in marine sediments by NMR. The concentration of the DMSOP, DMSP and GB was established using pyrazine as internal standard (see Methods). No DMSO was detected in any marine sediment sample.

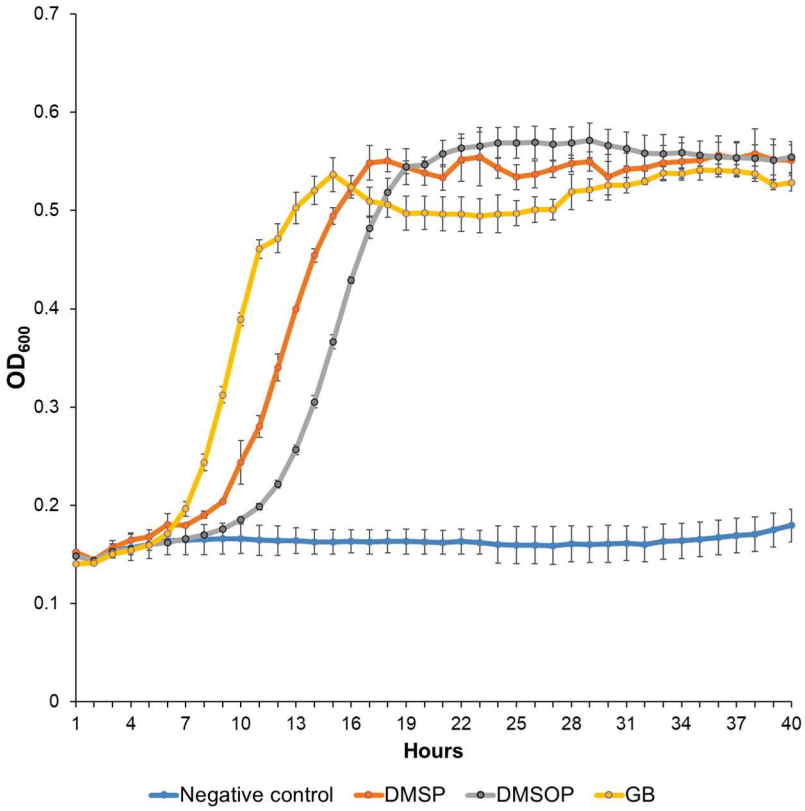

Fig S2. DMSP and DMSOP confer osmoprotection to *E. coli* FF4169. *E. coli* FF4169, deficient in trehalose production, was grown in M63 medium containing 0.5 M NaCl plus 1 mM glycine betaine (GB), DMSP, DMSOP or no additives as negative control. Error bars represent the standard deviations of triplicate experiments.

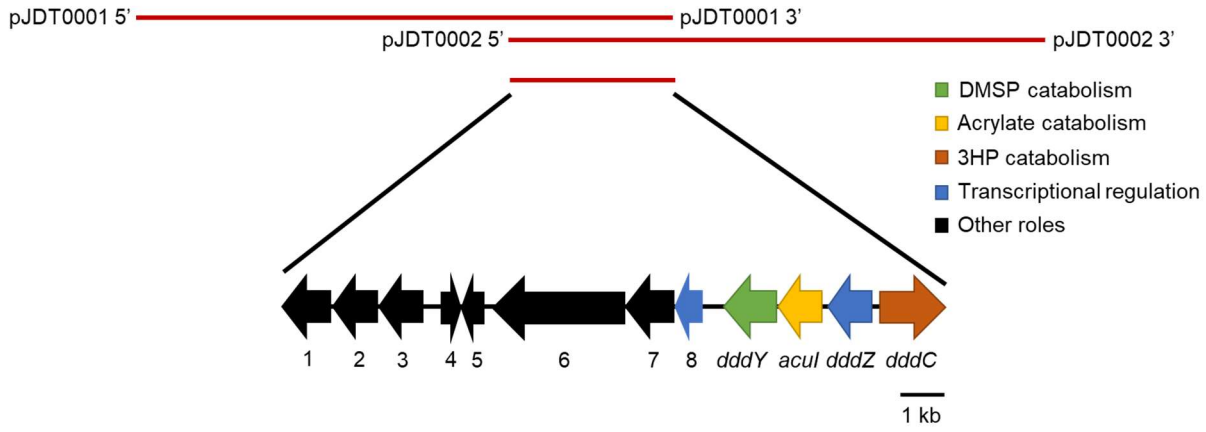

Fig S3. The 15 kb overlapping *A. faecalis* M3A genomic region cloned in pJDT0001 and pJDT0002 that conferred DMSOP lyase activity. Predicted gene products: 1. Purine-binding protein; 2. EamA/RhaT family transporter; 3. Biotin synthase; 4. 4-hydroxybenzoyl-CoA thioesterase; 5. DUF3293 domain containing-protein; 6. Multidrug/solvent efflux pump membrane transporter MepB; 7. Multidrug resistance protein MdtE; 8. TetR/AcrT family transcriptional regulator; *dddY*. DMSP lyase DddY; *acuI*. Acrylyl-coA reductase; *dddZ*. LysR transcriptional regulator; *dddC*. Aldehyde dehydrogenase. 3HP; 3-hydroxypropionate.

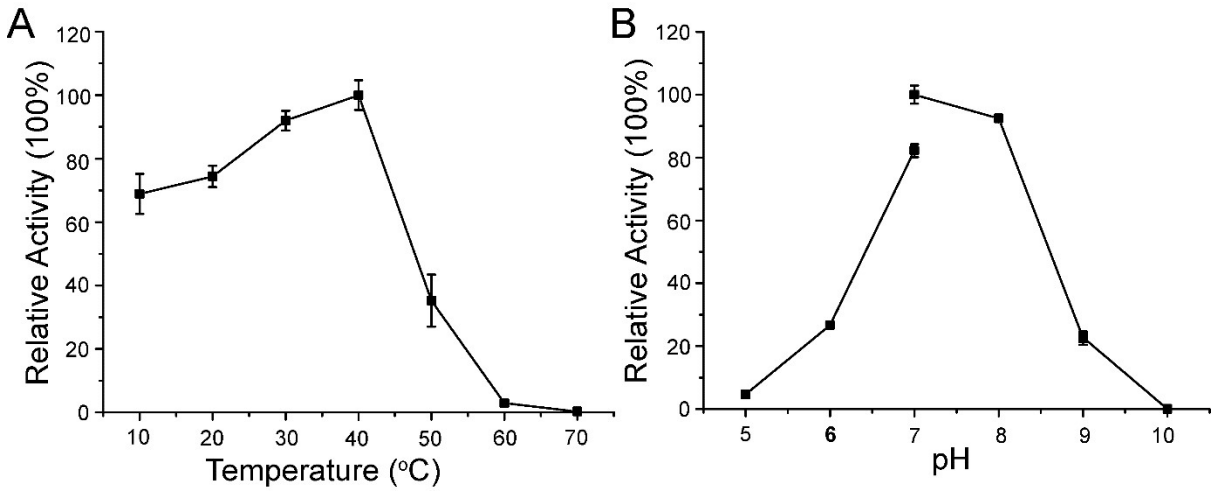

Fig. S4. Characterization of purified *A. faecalis* DddY. A; Effect of temperature on DddY DMSOP cleavage activity. DMSOP cleavage activity at 40 ºC was defined as 100%. B; Effect of pH on DddY DMSOP cleavage activity. DMSOP cleavage activity at pH 7.0 was defined as 100%. Error bars represent the standard deviation of triplicate experiments.

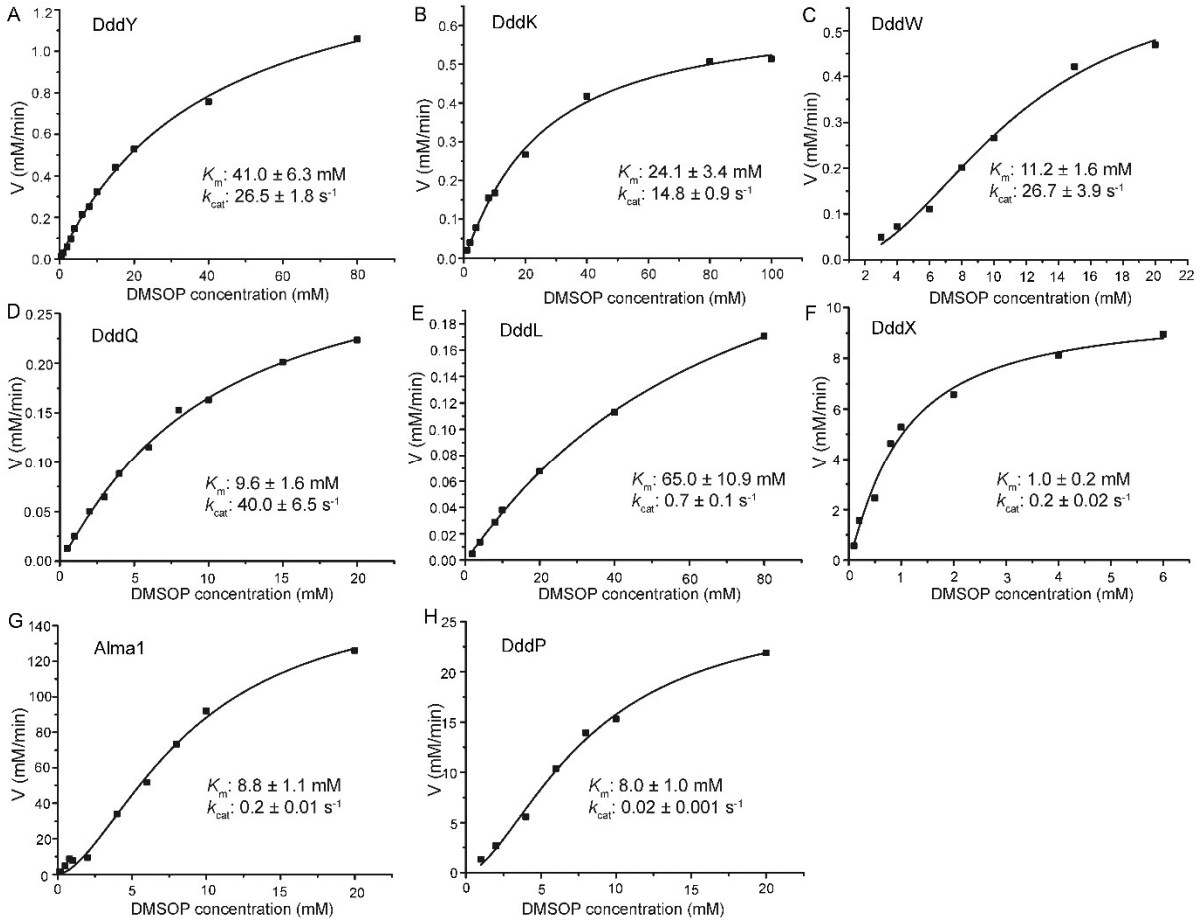

Fig S5. Enzyme kinetics of purified Ddd and Alma1 enzymes for DMSOP substrate. A; *A. faecalis* DddY; B; *P.ubique* HTCC1062 DddK. C; *R. pomeroyi* DddW. D; *R. lacuscaerulensis* DddQ. E; *P. antarcticum* DddL. F; *Psychrobacter* sp. DddX. G; *Symbiodinium* Alma1. H; *O. doudoroffii* DddP1. Kinetic parameters of tested Ddd enzymes were determined by non-linear analysis based on the initial rates of acrylate or DMSO (DddX) production.

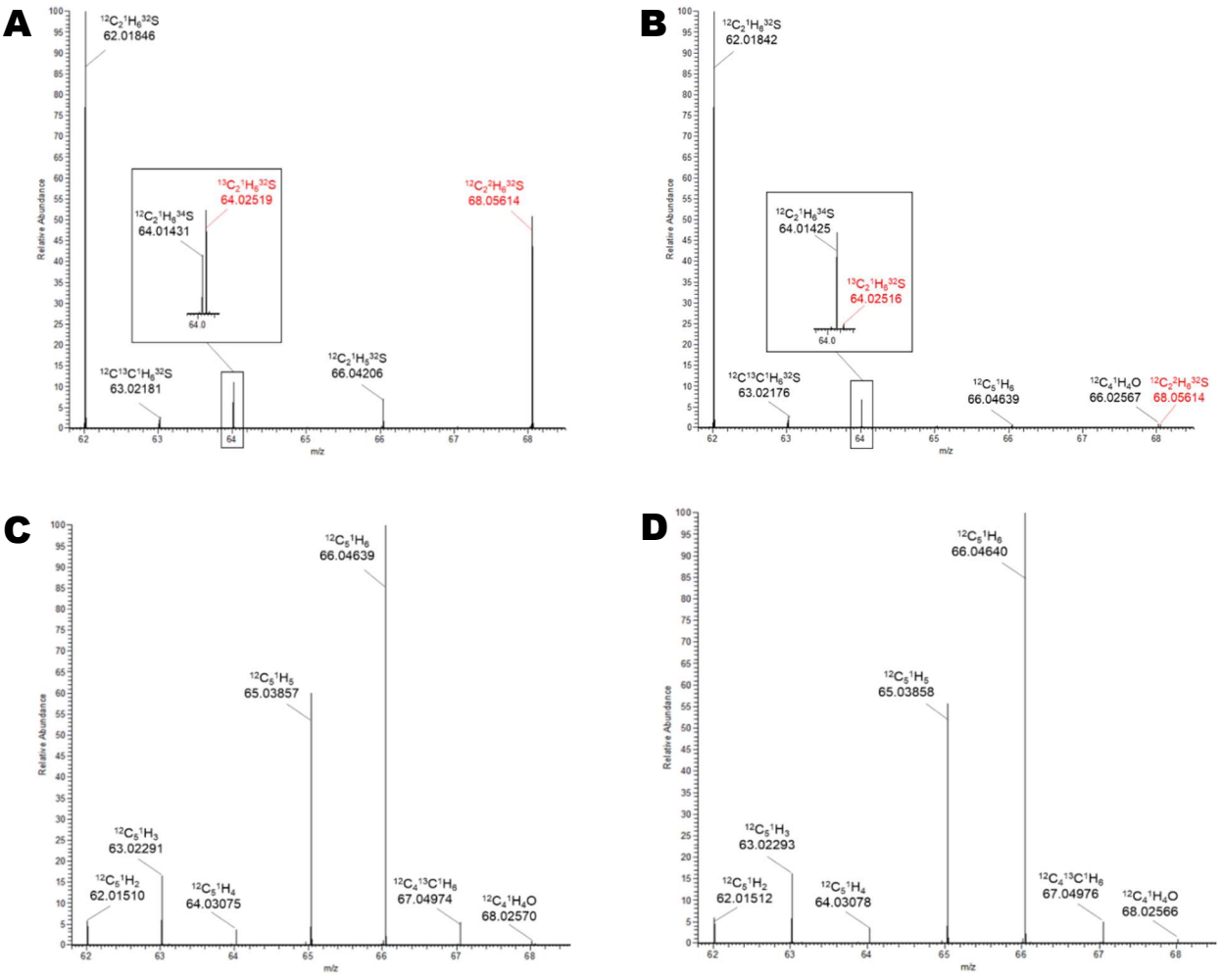

Fig S6. DMSOP and DMSP transformation by *Emiliana huxleyi* RCC173/CCMP373. A; High-resolution mass spectrum of DMS obtained from *E. huxleyi* RCC173/CCMP373 incubated with $^{13}C_2$-labelled DMSOP, $^{2}H_6$-labelled DMSP and $TiCl_3$ added as reducing agent. B; High-resolution mass spectrum of DMS obtained from *E. huxleyi* RCC173/CCMP373 incubated with $^{13}C_2$-labelled DMSOP, $^{2}H_6$-labelled DMSP, Br-DMSP 50µM and $TiCl_3$. C; Abiotic control with $^{13}C_2$-labelled DMSOP, $^{2}H_6$-labelled DMSP and $TiCl_3$. D; Abiotic control with $^{13}C_2$-labelled DMSOP, $^{2}H_6$-labelled DMSP, Br-DMSP 50µM and $TiCl_3$. Peak labelled in red represent $^{13}C_2$-labelled DMS and $^{2}H_6$-labelled DMS, respectively, the natural DMS isotopes are shown in black. All experiments were conducted in triplicate.

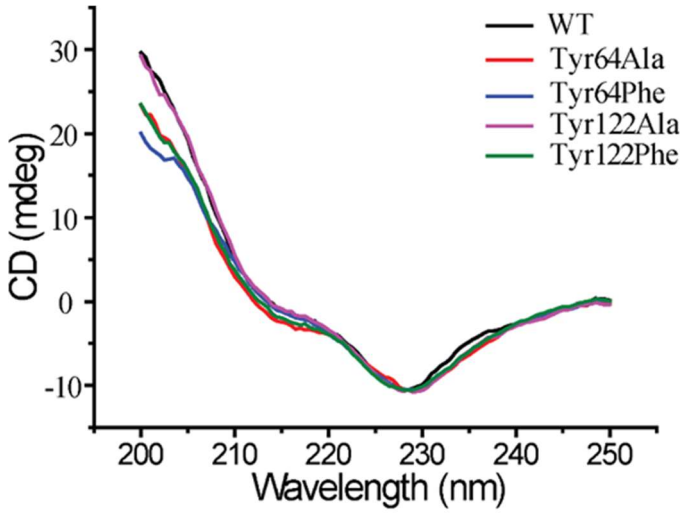

Fig. S7. Circular-dichroism (CD) spectra of wild type (WT) and mutant DddK proteins. Spectra of all proteins were collected from 250 to 200 nm at a scan speed of 500 nm·min^{-1} with a band width of 1 nm to determine their secondary structure.

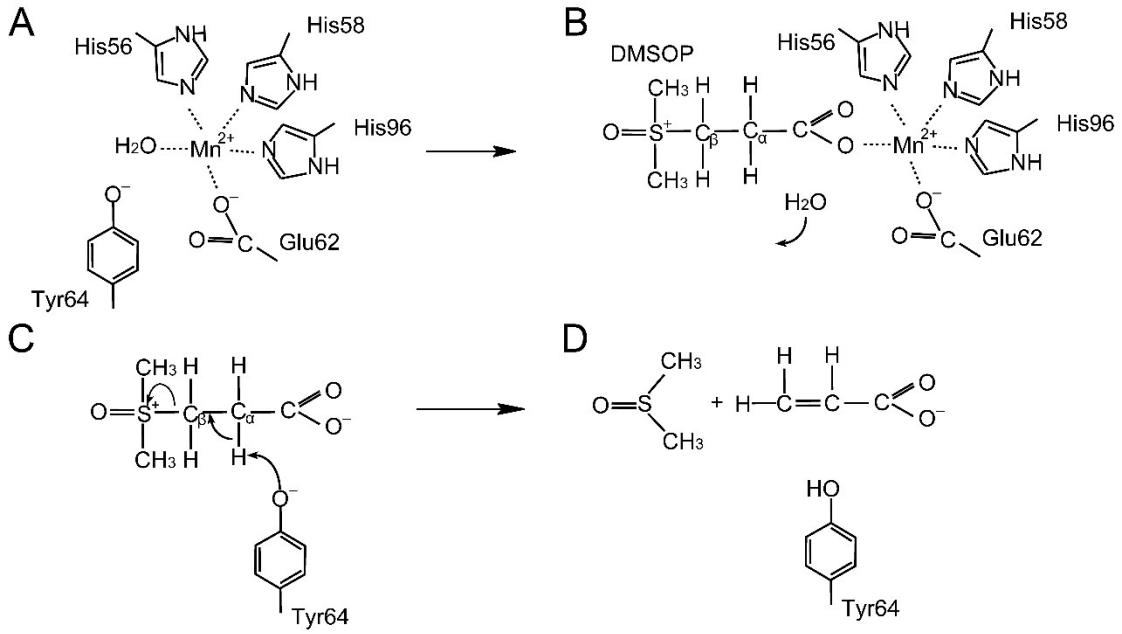

Fig. S8. The proposed DddK catalytic mechanism of DMSOP cleavage. A; In the absence of DMSOP, Mn^{2+} is coordinated by residues His56, His58, Glu62, His96 and a water molecule. B; DMSOP replaces the water molecule and forms a new coordination bond with Mn^{2+}. C; The Tyr64 residue acts as a general base to attack DMSOP. D; DMSO and acrylate are generated from DMSOP cleavage.

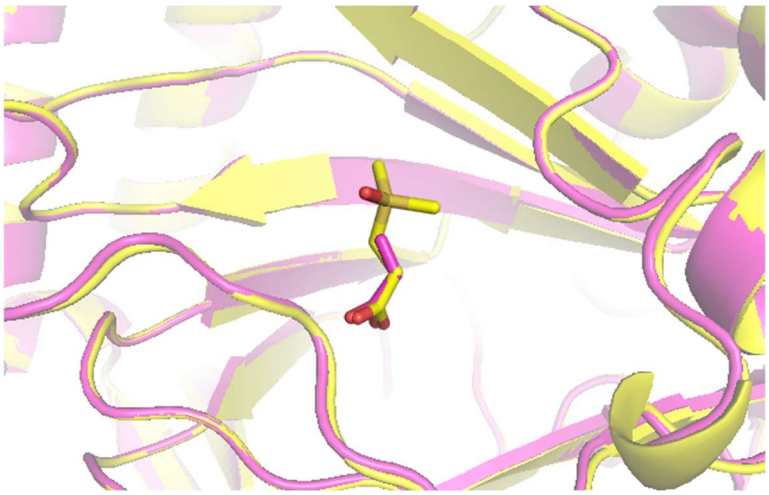

Fig. S9. Structural alignment of DddY from *A. bereziniae* (*Ab*DddY) with DMSOP and acrylate (PDB code: 5Y4K). The structure of the *Ab*DddY-DMSOP complex is coloured in yellow, whereas the structure of the *Ab*DddY-acrylate complex is shown in magenta. The DMSOP and acrylate molecules are shown as sticks.

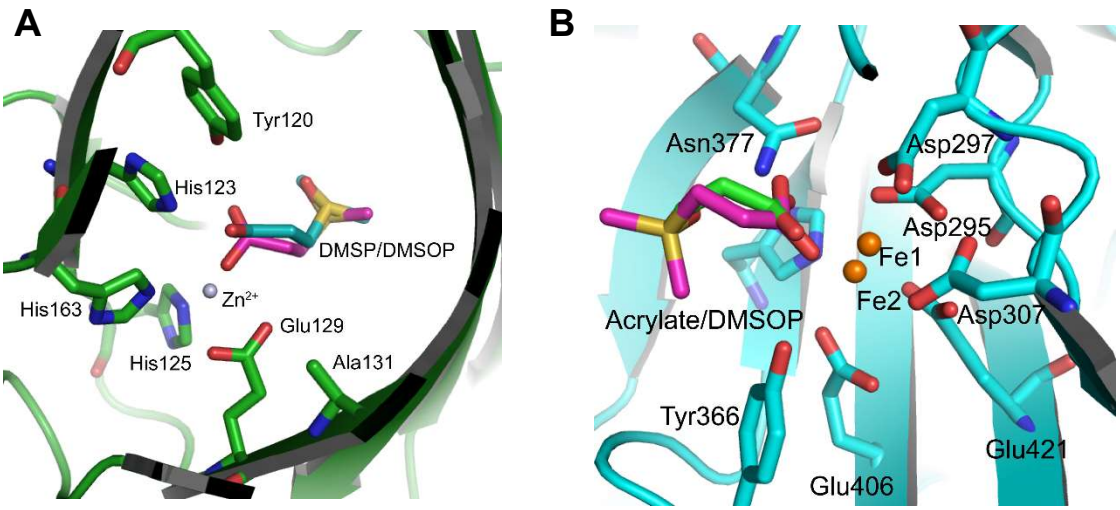

Fig. S10. Structural analyses of DddP-DMSOP and DddQ-DMSOP complexes. The structures of DddQ-DMSOP and DddP-DMSOP complexes were obtained by molecular docking. A; Structural alignment of DddQ-DMSOP and DddQ-DMSP complex (PDB: 4LA3). The structure of DddQ is coloured in green. DMSOP is shown as magenta sticks, and DMSP as cyan sticks. B; Structural alignment of DddP-DMSOP and DddP-acrylate complex (PDB code: 4S01). The structure of DddP is coloured in cyan. DMSOP is shown as magenta sticks, and acrylate as green sticks.

Table S1. Crystallographic data collection and refinement of DddK from *P. ubique* HTCC1062 and DddY from *A. bereziniae* with DMSOP.

Parameters	DddK-DMSOP complex	DddY-DMSOP complex
Diffraction data		
Space group	$P2_1$	$P2_1$
Unit cell		
a, b, c (Å)	36.8, 92.8, 38.8	65.8, 73.4, 87.4
α, β, γ (°)	90.0, 117.8, 90.0	90.0, 91.1, 90.0
Resolution range (Å)	50.0-1.6 (1.68-1.62) *	50.0-1.9 (1.97-1.90) *
Redundancy	3.4 (3.4)	6.6 (6.7)
Completeness (%)	98.5 (97.2)	98.1 (97.1)
R_{merge}**	0.1 (0.2)	0.2 (0.6)
$I/\sigma I$	22.5 (6.4)	23.3 (7.7)
Refinement statistics		
R-factor	0.17	0.16
Free R-factor	0.20	0.20
RMSD from ideal geometry		
Bond lengths (Å)	0.006	0.007
Bond angles (°)	0.9	0.8
Ramachandran plot (%)		
Favored	97.6	95.9
Allowed	2.4	3.2
Outliers	0	0.9
Overall B-factors (Å^2)	18.0	18.4

*Numbers in parentheses refer to data in the highest-resolution shell.

**$R_{merge}=\sum_{hkl}\sum_i|I(hkl)_i - \langle I(hkl)\rangle|/\sum_{hkl}\sum_i I(hkl)_i$, where I is the observed intensity, $\langle I(hkl)\rangle$ represents the average intensity, and $I(hkl)_i$ represents the observed intensity of each unique reflection.

Table S2. Average abundances of DMSP lyase and *dmdA* genes in different water layers of the global ocean. Abundances are represented by copies/transcripts per cell. SRF, surface water layer; DCM, deep chlorophyll maximum layer; MES, mesopelagic water layer.

			prokaryotic DMSP lyase genes									
			dddD	*dddK*	*dddL*	*dddP*	*dddQ*	*dddW*	*dddX*	*dddY*	**Total**	*dmdA*
OM-RGC_v2	metagenome	SRF	0.00524	0.03340	0.00031	0.17518	0.02726	0.00020	0.01931	0.00000	0.26090	0.84089
		DCM	0.00594	0.02651	0.00035	0.20230	0.02037	0.00010	0.02015	0.00000	0.27572	0.82911
		MES	0.00263	0.01027	0.00119	0.41625	0.01541	0.00005	0.02108	0.00000	0.46688	0.77876
	metatranscriptome	SRF	0.00265	0.00298	0.00007	0.02041	0.00171	0.00002	0.00438	0.00000	0.03221	0.14504
		DCM	0.00214	0.00199	0.00019	0.02147	0.00115	0.00001	0.00408	0.00000	0.03104	0.13823
		MES	0.00168	0.00090	0.00099	0.05498	0.00092	0.00000	0.00146	0.00000	0.06091	0.08818

			eukaryotic DMSP lyase gene
			Alma1
MATOU	metagenome	SRF	0.01928
		DCM	0.02125
	metatranscriptome	SRF	0.00456
		DCM	0.00409

Table S3. Strains used in this study.

Strain	Description	Reference
Escherichia coli 803	Strain used for routine transformations	Wood, 1966[1] (1)
E. coli BL21	Strain for overexpression of cloned genes in pET vectors	Studier and Moffat, 1986[2]
E. coli FF4169	Mutant strain deficient in trehalose production that was used in DMSOP osmoprotection work	Giaever *et al*., 1988[3]
Rhizobium leguminosarum J391	Streptomycin-resistant derivative of wild-type strain 3841 used for library screening	Young *et al*., 2006[4]
Alcaligenes faecalis M3A	Wild-type strain with *dddY*	de Souza and Yoch, 1995[5]; Curson *et al*., 2011[6]
Alcaligenes faecalis J482	Rifampicin-resistant derivative of *A. faecalis* M3A with mutation in *dddY*	Curson *et al*., 2011[6]
Labrenzia agreggata LZB033	Wild-type strain containing *dddL*	Curson *et al*., 2017[7]
Labrenzia agreggata J572	Rifampicin-resistant derivative of *L. aggregata* LZB033 with mutation in *dddL*	Curson *et al*., 2017[7]
Sulfitobacter sp. EE36	Wild-type strain with *dddL*	Curson *et al*., 2008[8]
Ruegeria pomeroyii DSS-3	Wild-type strain with *dmdA*, *dddP, dddQ and dddW*	Gonzalez *et al*., 2003[9]; Howard *et al.,* 2006[10]; Todd *et al*., 2012[11]
Oceanimonas doudoroffii DSM 7028	Wild-type strain with dddD, dddP1 and dddP2	Curson *et al*., 2012[12]
Halomonas sp. HTNK1	Wild-type strain with *dddD*	Todd *et al*., 2010[13]
Halomonas sp. J459	Streptomycin-resistant derivative of *Halomonas* sp. HTNK1 with mutation in *dddD*	Todd *et al*., 2010[13]
Sagittula stellata E-37	Wild-type strain containing *dddD*	Gonzalez *et al*., 1997[14]; Johnston *et al*., 2008[15]
Psychrobacter sp. D2	Wild-type strain containing *dddX*	Li *et al*., 2021[16]
Psychrobacter sp. D2 *ΔdddX*	*Psychrobacter* sp. D2 strain with mutation in *dddX*	Li *et al*., 2021[16]
Psychrobacter sp. D2 *ΔdddX/pBBR1MCS-dddX*	*Psychrobacter* sp. D2 *ΔdddX* strain containing cloned *dddX* gene in pBBR1MCS vector	Li *et al*., 2021[16]
Pelagibaca bermudensis HTCC2601	Wild-type strain with no DMSP lyase activity used as negative control	Cho and Giovannoni, 2006[17]
Fusarium culmorum Fu42	Wild-type strain containing *dddP*	Todd *et al*., 2009[18]
Emiliana huxleyi RCC173/CCMP373	Wild-type strain containing *Alma1*	Steinke *et al.,* 1998[19]

Table S4. Plasmids used in this study.

Plasmid	Description	Reference or Accession number
pRK2013	Mobilising plasmid for tri-parental matings (Km^R)	Figurski and Helinski, 1979[20]
pLAFR3	Wide host-range cosmid cloning vector (Tc^R)	Staskawicz *et al*., 1987[21]
pET21a	Plasmid vector for expression of cloned genes in *E. coli* BL21 (Amp^R)	Novagen
pET22b	Plasmid vector for expression of cloned genes in *E. coli* BL21 (Amp^R)	Novagen
pBIO1648	pLAFR3-based cosmid containing 23.7 kb *Halomonas* HTNK1 DNA including *dddD*	Todd et *al*., 2010[13] (FJ849066.1)
pJDT0001	pLAFR3-based cosmid containing 24.7 kp *A. faecalis* M3A DNA including *dddY*	This work
pJDT0002	pLAFR3-based cosmid containing 23.1 kb *A. faecalis* M3A DNA including *dddY*	This work
pJDT0003	pET21a clone containing *dddQ1 from R. nubinhibens* ISM	EAP76002
pJDT0004	pET21a clone containing *dddQ2 from R. nubinhibens* ISM	EAP76001
pJDT0005	pET21a clone containing *dddQ* from *R. lacuscaerulensis* ITI_1157	D0CY60
pJDT0005	pET21a clone containing *dddW* from *R. pomeroyi* DSS-3	AAV93771.1
pJDT0007	pET21a clone containing *dddL* from *R. sphaeroides* 2.4.1	Q3J6L0
pJDT0008	pET21a clone containing *dddP1* from *O. doudoroffii* DSM7028	WP_094198963.1
pJDT0009	pET21a clone containing *dddP2* from *O. doudoroffii* DSM7028	AEQ39103
pJDT0010	pET21a clone containing *dddP* from *R. pomeroyi* DSS-3	WP_044029245
pJDT0011	pET21a clone containing *Alma1* from *E. huxleyi*	XP_005784450
pJDT0012	pET22b clone containing *dddY* from *A. faecalis* M3A	WP_123051132.1
pJDT0013	pET22b clone containing *dddY* from A. bereziniae	WP_004831354.1
pJDT0014	pET22b clone containing *dddL* from *P. antarcticum*	WP_099909581.1
pJDT0015	pET22b clone containing *dddP* from *R.pomeroyi* DSS-3	WP_044029245
pJDT0016	pET22b clone containing *dddX* from *Psychrobacter* sp. D2	PDB: 7CM9
pJDT0017	pET22b clone containing *dddK* from *P. ubique* HTCC1062	WP_011281678.1

*Plasmids pJDT00032-17 were synthesized by Integrated DNA Technologies Ltd (UK) or Beijing Genomics Institute (China) and subcloned into pET21a or pET22b for expression in *E. coli* BL21.

Table S5. Primers used in RT-qPCR assays.

Primer name	Strain	Sequence (5' to 3')
HT_dddD_F	*Halomonas* sp. HTNK1	AGACGCTACGCTCCTACAATGC
HT_dddD_R	*Halomonas* sp. HTNK1	TCCGACACGACGCCATCTTCT
HT_recA_F	*Halomonas* sp. HTNK1	CTCAGGATGACAACCGCACCAA
HT_recA_R	*Halomonas* sp. HTNK1	GCATCGACGAACGCACAGACT
HT_rpoD_F	*Halomonas* sp. HTNK1	ACGATGACGACGAAGACGAGGA
HT_ rpoD_R	*Halomonas* sp. HTNK1	CACGCACCTGCTCAACGCTAA
PU_dddK_F	*P. ubique* HTCC1062	TTATCACTCACCAGCAGAA
PU_dddK_R	*P. ubique* HTCC1062	CAAGGCATGTTCAGCATT
PU_recA_F	*P. ubique* HTCC1062	GCACGAACACAATGATGA
PU_recA_R	*P. ubique* HTCC1062	TGGCACCAATTCTTCTAATG

Table S6. Purified DMSP lyases tested in this study.

Enzyme	Strain	Accession number
DddK	*Pelagibacter ubique* HTCC1062	WP_011281678.1
DddY	*Acinetobacter bereziniae*	WP_004831354.1
DddY	*Alcaligenes faecalis*	WP_123051132.1
DddQ	*Ruegeria lacuscaerulensis* ITI-1157	D0CY60
DddW	*Ruegeria pomeroyi* DSS-3	AAV93771.1
DddP1	*Oceanimonas doudoroffii*	WP_094198963.1
DddL	*Puniceibacterium antarcticum*	WP_099909581.1
DddX	*Psychrobacter* sp. D2	PDB: 7CM9
Alma1	*Symbiodinium*-A1	P0DN22.1
DmdA	*Ruegeria lacuscaerulensis* ITI-1157	EEX10896.1

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