

# Supplementary Materials for

# **Evolution-guided engineering of** *trans***-acyltransferase polyketide synthases**

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### **Materials and Methods**

### **Experimental Procedures**

#### **General**

Restriction endonucleases, T4 polymerase and NEBuffer 2.1 were obtained from New England BioLabs (Ipswich, MA, USA). For Gibson assembly, the Gibson assembly kit from New England BioLabs (Ipswich, MA, USA) was used. T4 ligase and buffer for Golden Gate cloning were obtained from Promega (Fitchburg, WI, USA). PCR was performed with Phusion polymerase (Thermo Fisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, USA) or Q5 polymerase (New England Biolabs, Ipswich, MA, USA) according to manufacturer's instructions. DNA sequencing was conducted by GATC Biotech (Konstanz, Germany), Microsynth (Balgach, Switzerland) or Plasmidsaurus (Eugene, OR, USA). The pJET1.2/blunt and pCR-Blunt II-TOPO cloning kits were purchased from Thermo Fisher Scientific (Waltham, MA, USA) and the pGEM-T Easy subcloning kit was obtained from Promega (Fitchburg, WI, USA). For sonication, a Sonicator Q700 from QSonica, Newton was used and Ni-NTA agarose for protein purification was purchased from Macherey-Nagel. Gel purification and plasmid extraction kits were purchased from Macherey-Nagel. High-pressure liquid chromatography high resolution mass spectrometry (HPLC-HRMS) was performed on a Thermo Scientific Q Exactive or LTQ Orbitrap XL mass spectrometer coupled to a Dionex Ultimate 3000 UPLC system operated by Xcalibur 4.1 and Chromeleon Xpress 7.2 (Thermo Scientific), respectively.

#### **Strains and culture conditions**

*B. subtilis*, *E. coli*, and *S. plymuthica* strains used in this study are listed in Table S1. We used *B. subtilis* DK1042 which is a derivative of the *B. subtilis* 3610 wild-type strain with increased competence due to a single point mutation in the *comI* gene negatively regulating natural competence (*55*). Strains were grown in LB liquid medium and on LB agar plates at 37 °C. To select plasmids in *E. coli* and *S. plymuthica*, antibiotics were used at final concentrations as follows: Ampicillin 100 μg/mL, chloramphenicol 12.5 μg/mL, gentamycin 20 μg/mL, kanamycin 50 μg/mL, and spectinomycin 50 μg/mL. To select for positive transformants in *B. subtilis*, antibiotics were used at final concentrations of 60 μg/mL spectinomycin and 5 μg/mL chloramphenicol. *Gynuella sunshinyii* YC6258<sup>T</sup> was obtained from NITE Biological Resource Center (NBRC).

#### **Plasmid construction for** *Bacillus* **engineering**

As an acceptor vector, pFusA was used. The plasmid was a gift from Adam Bogdanove & Daniel Voytas (Addgene plasmid #31028). All gene fragments and resistance genes used in Golden Gate cloning were amplified with primers containing the BsaI restriction sites (Table S3). All PCR fragments were subcloned into pJET1.2/blunt, pCRBlunt II-TOPO or pGEM-T Easy according to manufacturer's instructions. Golden Gate cloning was performed as published by Engler and Marillonnet using pFusA/Spc as an acceptor vector (*56*, *57*). Additionally, the resistance cassette was replaced by the gentamycin resistance cassette from pIC20H-RL to get a second pFusA/Gm acceptor plasmid (*58*). See Table S5 for a list of plasmids and information on donor and acceptor vectors for Golden Gate assemblies. The chloramphenicol (Cm) resistance gene was amplified from pACYC184 (New England BioLabs, Ipswich, MA, USA) and subcloned into pCR-Blunt II-TOPO. The HyperSpac promoter was amplified from pMF37/pDGICZ and fused to the Cm resistance gene using Gibson assembly. As a common acceptor plasmid, pFusA with a placeholder kanamycin resistance cassette, the chloramphenicol resistance cassette and a common downstream homology was assembled. Subcloned Golden Gate pieces and the final assemblies were introduced into *E. coli* DH5α.

#### *Bacillus* **transformation and screening**

The transformation protocol was obtained from http://2012.igem.org. 3 mL of freshly prepared medium A (25% glucose 1 mL, 10x medium A (yeast extract 5 g, casamino acids 1g, ddH2O add 450 mL) 4 mL,  $10 \times$  salt solution (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> 10 g, K<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub> 69.8 g, KH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> 30g, Na<sup>+</sup> citrate 5 g, MgSO<sub>4</sub>·7 H<sub>2</sub>O 1 g, ddH<sub>2</sub>O add 500 mL) 4.5 mL, H<sub>2</sub>O added to 45 mL) were inoculated with a single colony from a fresh plate and incubated at 37 °C and 180 rpm overnight. 20 mL of freshly prepared and pre-warmed (37 °C) medium A was inoculated to an  $OD_{600}$  of 0.1 with the overnight culture. Cells were grown to an  $OD_{600}$  of 1.0 at 37 °C and 180 rpm. 45 mL of prewarmed freshly prepared medium B (25% glucose 1 mL, 10x medium A, 4 mL, 10x salt solution 4.5 mL, H<sub>2</sub>O added to 45 mL, 1 M CaCl<sub>2</sub> 22.5 μl, 1 μM MgCl<sub>2</sub> 112.5 μl, ddH<sub>2</sub>O added to 45 mL) were inoculated with 5 mL of the culture and incubated for 1.5 h at 37 °C and 180 rpm. Cells were harvested by centrifugation for 5 min at 1800  $\times$  g at 25 °C and resuspended in 3 mL of supernatant. 1 μg of DNA was added to 100 μl of cell suspension. After 2 h of incubation at 37 °C and 900 rpm cells were plated on LB containing 5 mg/mL of Cm or 60 mg/mL Spc, depending on the transformed construct. Plates were incubated overnight at 37 °C. Single colonies were picked and transferred to a fresh LB plate containing appropriate antibiotics and incubated overnight at 37 °C. If a mutant already containing one of the selection markers was transformed, colonies were plated on both antibiotics separately for counter selection screening. Positive colonies were chosen for colony PCR. *Bacillus* colony material was incubated at 100 °C for 10 min in 20 μl of DMSO and used as a template. An overview of screening primers is provided in Table S8.

#### **Expression and analysis of chimeric** *Bacillus* **PKSs**

To test for polyketide production, 5 mL YEME7 medium (4 g/L yeast extract, 10 g/L malt extract, 4 g/L glucose, 0.5 mL of 1 M NaOH per liter, add MOPS after autoclaving)(*30*) with the appropriate antibiotics was inoculated with a single colony of *B. subtilis* strains. The culture was incubated in the dark at 37 °C and 250 rpm for 16-18 h. To check for bacillaene production or intermediates, the culture was mixed in the dark with methanol and shaken vigorously. The samples were spun down for 20 min at 10 °C and max speed and the supernatant subjected to UHPLC-HRMS analysis. Kinetex 2.6 μm XB-C18 100 A column (4.6 × 150 mm; Phenomenex) for 5 min at 10% acetonitrile (0.1% FA) in water (0.1% FA) followed by a gradient (10 to 100%) of acetonitrile (0.1% FA) in water (0.1% FA) over 11.5 min followed by 2 min 10% acetonitrile (0.1% FA) in water (0.1% FA) (1 mL/min).

#### **Generation of** *S. plymuthica* **4Rx13 Δ***oocQR* **knockouts**

The *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocR* and *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* knockout strains were generated as described in Domik et al. (*59*), using the primer pairs KO\_SOD\_b01030\_fwd/ KO\_SOD\_c22970\_rev and KO\_SOD\_b01030\_fwd/ KO\_SOD\_b01030\_rev for *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13Δ*oocQR* and *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13Δ*oocR* respectively (Table S8).

## **Cloning of plasmids encoding chimeric** *ooc* **PKSs**

The sequences encoding OocQR<sub>KS0-11 to KS12</sub> and OocS<sub>ACP c</sub> were amplified from *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 liquid culture and the sequences encoding grafted PKS fragments were amplified from *Gynuella sunshinyii* YC6258 liquid culture (lacunalide (*51*), lobatamide (*18*), gynuellalide (*26*) and tartrolon (*20*)), previously isolated metagenomic DNA of *Mycale hentscheli* (peloruside (*61*)), *Bacillus subtilis* DK1042 liquid culture (bacillaene(*30*, *48*)), or a previously isolated pCC1Fos fosmid (psymberin(*21*)). The amplicon of the *psy* terminus from the NAHVILEE motif onward was synthesized by GenScript (Leiden, The Netherlands). An overview of the primers used is provided in Table S9. pBAD was used as backbone and the individual constructs were assembled using extension PCRs, Gibson assembly or ExoCET (*61*). Assembled constructs were introduced into *E. coli* DH5α, verified by sequencing, and then introduced into *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR*. As controls, empty *pBAD* was introduced into *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR*.

#### **Expression and analysis of** *S. plymuthica* **4Rx13 strains**

For MS-based analysis of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 chimeras, the strains were inoculated from overnight cultures and grown in 20 mL enriched potato dextrose broth (EPB: 24 g/L potato dextrose broth (Difco), 6 g/L bactopeptone, 4 g/L yeast extract, 100 mg/L NaCl). The volumes of overnight culture used for inoculation were adjusted to reflect a 200 μL culture with a 5xdiluted OD<sub>600</sub>=0.5. Cultures were supplemented with appropriate antibiotics. For wild type *S. plymuthica*, no antibiotics were used, for *S. plymuthica* Δ*oocQR* 25 μg/mL kanamycin was used and for *S. plymuthica* Δ*oocQR* strains supplemented with plasmids, 100 μg/mL ampicillin and 25 μg/mL kanamycin was used. Expression of the introduced PKS parts was induced by the addition of 0.2% L-arabinose (2  $\mu$ L/mL 1 g/mL). Then, cultures were incubated for 20 hours at 26 °C and 180 rpm. We note expression at higher or lower temperatures leads to a significant drop and near-abolishment in production. After 20 hours, 7 mL of the cultures were extracted with 7 mL ethyl acetate. 4 mL of the organic phase was evaporated over a nitrogen flow while being heated to 40 °C, after which the solid residue was resuspended in 1 mL methanol and centrifuged. The supernatant was subjected to UHPLC-HRMS analysis using a Dionex Ultimate 3000 UPLC system connected to a Thermo QExactive mass spectrometer. A solvent gradient (A  $=$  H<sub>2</sub>O + 0.1% formic acid and B = acetonitrile + 0.1% formic acid) with B at 1% for 0–3 min, 5– 95% for 3–19 min and 95% for 19–23 min at a flow rate of 1.0 mL/min) was used on a Phenomenex Kinetex 2.6 μM C18 100A (150 × 4.6 mm) column at 27 °C. The MS was operated in positive ionization mode at a scan range of 150–1500 *m/z*. The spray voltage was set to 3.7 kV and the capillary temperature to 320 °C. Analysis of MS data was done with 5 ppm accuracy. Downstream data analysis was performed with custom Python scripts to obtain the EICs reported for the *S. plymuthica* mutants in which all peaks reported have a chlorinated isotope pattern. Peaks at *m*/*z* values corresponding to the target mass for the EICs but that did not show chlorination isotope patterns were excluded.

## **Isolation of compounds 2 and 3**

Expression for purification of **2** and **3** was done under the same conditions as expressions for analysis of all *S. plymuthica* mutants, as described directly above. For the expression of **2**, 5 liter liquid cultures of were grown in batches of 200 mL in 1 L baffled Erlenmeyer flasks. For the expression and purification of **3**, 10 liter liquid cultures of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBADoocQR*LPTYPFx5W*-Psy*KS11 were grown in batches of 100 mL in 250 mL baffled Erlenmeyer flasks. The pellet and supernatant from the total culture volumes were separated via centrifugation. The supernatant was extracted twice with equal volumes of ethyl acetate. The resulting ethyl acetate extracts were evaporated to dryness, leaving a brown solid. The supernatant was extracted two times with equal volumes of ethyl acetate and evaporated to dryness.

The crude extracts were fractionated using preparative reverse phase HPLC (Agilent 1260 Infinity system, equipped with a Phenomenex Luna 5 µm C18 21.2 x 250 mm column). Deionized water (Milli-Q, Millipore) +0.05% TFA (solvent A) and acetonitrile +0.05% TFA (solvent B) were used as the mobile phase. An elution gradient of 5–100% solvent B in 50 min followed by isocratic conditions at 100% solvent B for 10 min was applied. UV detection was carried out at 210, 254, and 280 nm. The collected fractions were analyzed by HR-MS.

For the isolation of compound **2**, the crude extracts were fractionated by semi-preparative reverse phase HPLC (Agilent 1260 Infinity system, equipped with a Phenomenex Kinetex 5 µm C18 10 x 250 mm column) with solvent A/solvent B above as the mobile phase. An elution gradient of 5–50% solvent B in 15 minutes followed by followed by a steady increase of solvent B from 50-100% in 25 minutes and finally isocratic conditions at 100% solvent B for 10 min was applied. UV detection was carried out at 210, 254, and 280 nm and two fractions collected every minute. The fractions containing **2** were combined to afford 3 mg of the compound.

Fractions containing **3** were further purified by semi-preparative reverse phase HPLC (Agilent 1260 Infinity system, equipped with a Phenomenex Kinetex 5 µm C18 10 x 250 mm column) with solvent A/solvent B above as the mobile phase. Compound **3** was obtained by purification of fraction 12 and 13 by applying an elution gradient 25–65% solvent B for 30 min followed by gradient shift from 65 to 100% in 5 min, and finally isocratic condition at 100% solvent B for 5 min.

# **Construction of module deletion plasmids (pEB17\_Δ***lcn***14-15***,* **pEB17\_Δ***lcn***17-24***,*  **pEB17\_Δ***lcn***20-23***,* **pEB17\_Δ***lcn***21-22)**

Primers for Gibson assemblies were designed using NEBuilder (https://nebuilder.neb.com/#!/) to generate products with 20 bp overhang to one another. For each deletion plasmid, the two 500 bp homology arms were chosen in a way that the first homology arm ended at the protein level downstream of the FSD after the respective KS (e.g., KS13 in pEB17\_Δ*lcn*14-15), and the second homology arm started after the FSD of the last deleted KS (e.g., KS15 in pEB17\_Δ*lcn*14- 15; hence enclosing the 8168 bp of modules 14 and 15).

To amplify target regions, a small *G*. *sunshinyii* culture was transferred to a 1.5 mL Eppendorf tube, sonicated for 10 min and then boiled at 100 °C for 10 min. The supernatant was used as a template in the PCR (for primer pairs see Table S10, eg., GS03&GS04 to amplify the Δlcn1415 homology arm 1). Purified plasmids were used as a template for the plasmid backbone (pEB17, eg. GS01&GS02 to amplify the Δ*lcn*14-15 backbone). PCR products were separated on an agarose gel and purified with a NucleoSpin Gel and PCR Clean-up kit (Macherey-Nagel AG). The homology arms and respective inserts were fused by an overlap extension PCR (outer primers of the fused product were only added after 15 PCR steps). After Gibson assembly of the fragments using in-house prepared master mixes (*62*), plasmids were electroporated into *E*. *coli* DH5α pir recovered in Luria-Bertani (LB) broth for one hour and plated onto LB containing kanamycin (50 μg/mL). A culture of a single colony was prepared, the plasmid was isolated with a NucleoSpin Plasmid kit (Macherey-Nagel AG) and sequenced (primers GS25, GS26, Table S10).

## **Transformation of** *E***.** *coli* **ST18 donor strains**

The plasmids (pEB17\_Δ*lcn*14-15*,* pEB17\_Δ*lcn*17-24*,* pEB17\_Δ*lcn*20-23*,* pEB17\_Δ*lcn*21-22) were electroporated into the auxotrophic donor strain *E*. *coli* ST18 (*63*). Bacteria were recovered in LB supplemented with 50 μg/mL 5-aminolevulinic acid (ALA). After 1-hour, cultures were plated onto LB (50 μg/mL ALA, 50 μg/mL kanamycin). For the conjugation, a culture of a single colony was prepared.

#### **Construction of** *G***.** *sunshinyii* **mutants by conjugation and homologous recombination**

The following *G*. *sunshinyii* mutants were constructed using the same protocol: pEB17\_Δ*lcn*14- 15*,* pEB17\_Δ*lcn*17-24*,* pEB17\_Δ*lcn*20-23*,* pEB17\_Δ*lcn*21-22, pEB17\_Δ*lcn*14-15\_17-24*,* pEB17\_Δ*lcn*14-15\_20-23, pEB17\_Δ*lcn*14-15\_21-22. Table S12 lists the donor and acceptor strains used for the construction of each mutant. Cultures of donor strain (*E. coli* ST18 carrying one of the plasmids in Table S11) were prepared in LB (50 μg/mL ALA, 50 μg/mL kanamycin). Cultures of acceptor strain (wild type or *G*. *sunshinyii* YC6258 Δ*lcn*14-15; Table S12) were prepared in marine broth (½ MB). The next day, 10 mL of *E*. *coli* cultures and 50 mL of *G*. *sunshinyii* cultures were harvested in falcon tubes by centrifugation. The cells were resuspended in 10 mL of the respective medium (LB or ½ MB), the optical density at 600 nm  $(OD_{600})$  was measured and, after another centrifugation step, the cells were resuspended in the respective medium to yield a suspension of  $OD_{600} = 4$ . Donor and acceptor strain were mixed in three different ratios (1:9, 3:7, 1:1) to a total volume of 1 mL. After centrifugation, 800 μL of the supernatant was discarded, the remaining volume was used to resuspend the cell mixtures. A plate  $\frac{1}{2}$  MB, 50  $\mu$ g/mL ALA) was separated into three segments and each of the three different ratios were placed in a single spot in one of the segments. After one day of growth at 37 °C, half of each of the three spots was combined and the combined culture was resuspended in 500 μL 0.9% (w/v) NaCl solution, of which 200 μL was plated onto ½ marine broth agar (MB (5 g bacteriological peptone, 1 g yeast extract, 16.5 g instant ocean sea salt, 15 g agar), 50 μg/mL kanamycin) and distributed using a cell spreader. Single colonies were isolated and propagated to a liquid culture (½ MB, 50 μg/mL kanamycin), and the genomic integration of the suicide plasmid was confirmed by PCR with two primer pairs (one primer binds in the plasmid after the homology arms, facing upstream and one in the genome upstream the integration site, facing downstream, or the other way around; eg. primers GS25&GS28 and GS26&GS27 for *G*. *sunshinyii* YC6258 Δ*lcn*14-15, Table S10). Then, 5 mL of ½ MB without any additives was inoculated with 100 μL of the *G*. *sunshinyii* culture and cultivated for one day at 30 °C. The next day, 200 μL of this culture was plated onto ½ MB containing 10% (w/v) sucrose. After two days of growth at 30 °C, about 30 colonies were picked using a toothpick and first a plate of ½ MB (50 μg/mL kanamycin) then a plate of ½ MB was inoculated for each colony. Colonies that grew on antibiotics were considered false positives and 10 colonies that only grew on ½ MB were propagated into liquid culture (½ MB). Genetic modification was confirmed using primers that bind up- and downstream of the modification site (Fig. S53, Table S10, eg. primers GS27&GS28 for *G*. *sunshinyii* YC6258 Δ*lcn*14-15). PCR products were separated by agarose gel electrophoresis, purified with a NucleoSpin Gel and PCR Clean-up kit (Macherey-Nagel AG) and sequenced.

#### **HPLC-HRMS analysis of** *G***.** *sunshinyii* **mutants**

The following *G*. *sunshinyii* mutants were analyzed using the same protocol: wild type, pEB17\_Δ*lcn*14-15*,* pEB17\_Δ*lcn*17-24*,* pEB17\_Δ*lcn*20-23*,* pEB17\_Δ*lcn*2-122, pEB17\_Δ*lcn*14- 15\_17-24*,* pEB17\_Δ*lcn*14-15\_20-23, pEB17\_Δ*lcn*14-15\_21-22. Bacteria were cultivated in 20 mL ½ MB supplemented with 0.25% (w/v) arabinose in 100 mL Erlenmeyer flasks. After four days of growth at 30 °C and 180 rpm, 10 mL of the supernatant were extracted with 10 mL ethyl acetate and the organic phase was dried. The residue was dissolved in 300 μL acetonitrile and analyzed by HPLC-HRMS (Figure 5, Figure S55-62).

#### **Isolation of engineered lacunalides 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, and 21**

For each mutant of *G*. *sunshinyii* YC6258, a total of 6 L liquid culture (see Table S17) was grown in batches of 300 mL MB broth with 0.25% (w/v) arabinose in 1 L Erlenmeyer flasks at 30 °C for 3 days on an orbital shaker (150 rpm). The cultures were centrifuged, and each supernatant was extracted three times with ethyl acetate. The cell pellets were resuspended in  $H_2O$  and extracted with acetone. The ethyl acetate and acetone extract were dried and combined. The combined crude extract was separated by RP-HPLC (Phenomenex Luna 5μ C18, φ 20 x 250 mm,

15.0 mL/min, 260 nm) with MeCN in  $H<sub>2</sub>O + 0.1%$  formic acid as mobile phase, starting from isocratic 5% MeCN for 5 min, gradient from 5% to 95% MeCN for 32 min, and isocratic elution 95% MeCN for 10 min to afford 40 fractions. The fractions at a retention time  $(t_R)$  of 26 to 30 minutes were combined and further purified by semi preparative HPLC (Phenomenex Luna 5μ Phenyl-Hexyl, φ 10 x 250 mm, 2.0 mL/min, 260 nm) with an isocratic 37% MeCN + 0.1% formic acid elution to afford 4.2 mg of  $\mathbf{8}$ , at  $t_{\text{R}}$  25 min. Peaks at a  $t_{\text{R}}$  of 21 to 23 minutes were combined and purified by semi preparative HPLC (Phenomenex Synergi 4μ Hydro-RP, φ 10 x 250 mm, 2.0 mL/min, 260 nm) with an isocratic 40% MeCN + 0.1% formic acid elution to obtain 9,  $t<sub>R</sub>$ 33.4 min. Compounds **10**, **11**, **12**, **14**, **16**, **18**, **20**, and **21** were isolated using a similar workflow, for details see Table S17.

## **Structure elucidation of compound 8**

Compound 8 was assigned the molecular formula  $C_{50}H_{90}O_{13}$  with six degrees of unsaturation based on the deduction from the HR-MS data (*m*/*z* 899.6520 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, Δ 6.55 mmu; Figure S65). <sup>1</sup>H NMR in conjunction with HSQC and <sup>13</sup>C data (Figure S66-72) suggested three aliphatic doublet methyls, two vinylic singlet methyls, 22 methylene groups, six protons connected to  $sp<sup>2</sup>$  carbons, 12 methanetriyl groups connected to oxygen, and two aliphatic methanetriyl groups. The HMBC spectrum in conjunction with  $^{13}$ C data revealed three quaternary carbons accounting for all 50 carbons suggested by the molecular formula.

HMBC correlations from each of the vinylic singlet methyls to a quaternary carbon in combination with six protons connected to  $sp<sup>2</sup>$  carbons suggested four double bonds, which were all assigned as *trans* based on the high coupling constants  $(^{3}J_{C2-C3} = 15.7$  Hz,  $^{3}J_{C34-C35} =$ 15.3 Hz) and the upfield carbon shifts of C-47 and C-49 (δ 12.6 and 11.5 ppm). HMBC correlations from two directions to a downfield quaternary carbon at δ 168.9 ppm suggest a macrolactone, accounting for all six degrees of unsaturation.

From the COSY spectrum, six spin systems were identified (Figure S68 and S72), of which systems **a**/**b**/**e** and **c/d** were connected by HMBC correlations. The remaining three methanetriyl groups connected to oxygen and the 12 methylene groups could not be assigned due to overlapping signals. A high similarity of chemical shifts (Figure S71 and S79, Table S18) suggests a very similar structure to lacunalide A (**6**)(*51*).

## **Structure elucidation of compound 9**

Compound 9 was assigned the molecular formula C<sub>49</sub>H<sub>88</sub>O<sub>13</sub> with six degrees of unsaturation based on the deduction from the HR-MS data (*m*/*z* 885.6359 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, Δ 6.13 mmu; Figure S73). <sup>1</sup>H NMR in conjunction with HSQC and <sup>13</sup>C data (Figure S74-78) suggested three aliphatic doublet methyls, one vinylic singlet methyl, >20 methylene groups, seven protons connected to sp<sup>2</sup> carbons, 12 methanetriyl groups connected to oxygen, and two aliphatic methanetriyl groups. The HMBC spectrum in conjunction with  $^{13}$ C data revealed two quaternary carbons accounting for more than 45 carbons of the suggested molecular formula.

HMBC correlations from each of the vinylic singlet methyls to a quaternary carbon in combination with six protons connected to  $sp<sup>2</sup>$  carbons suggested four double bonds, which were all assigned as *trans* based on the high coupling constants  $(^{3}J_{C2-C3} = 15.7$  Hz,  $^{3}J_{C20-C21} =$ 15.5 Hz,  $3/2$ <sub>C34-C35</sub> = 15.2 Hz) and the upfield carbon shift of C-47 ( $\delta$  12.6 ppm). HMBC correlations from two directions to a downfield quaternary carbon at δ 168.9 ppm suggest a macrolactone, accounting for all six degrees of unsaturation.

From the COSY spectrum, five spin systems were identified (Figure S76 and S72), of which systems **a**/**b**/**d** were connected by HMBC correlations. The remaining three methanetriyl groups connected to oxygen and the >10 methylene groups could not be assigned due to overlapping signals. A high similarity of chemical shifts (Figure S79, Table S18) suggests a very similar structure to lacunalide A (**6**).

#### **Structure elucidation of compound 10 and 11**

Compounds **10** and **11** could not be separated by several rounds of HPLC purification (see Table S17, and Figure 5). The structures were elucidated using the mixture. **10** was assigned the molecular formula  $C_{50}H_{90}O_{12}$  with six degrees of unsaturation based on the deduction from the HR-MS data (*m*/*z* 883.6490 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, Δ -1.51 mmu; Figure S81). **11** was assigned the molecular formular  $C_{49}H_{88}O_{12}$  with six degrees of unsaturation based on the deduction from the HR-MS data ( $m/z$  869.6346 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>,  $\Delta$  -0.25 mmu; Figure S81). <sup>1</sup>H NMR in conjunction with HSQC and <sup>13</sup>C data of the **10** and **11** mixture (Figure S82, S83, S86) suggested for **10** three aliphatic doublet methyls, two vinylic singlet methyls, more than 23 methylene groups, six protons connected to sp<sup>2</sup> carbons, ten methanetriyl groups connected to oxygens (with a normalized integral of 100% or ~80%), and two aliphatic methanetriyl group. The HMBC spectrum in conjunction with  $^{13}$ C data revealed three quaternary carbons accounting for all 50 carbons suggested by the molecular formula. For **11** two additional protons connected to  $sp^2$ carbons (integrals of ~20% compared to other signals), two methanetriyl groups connected to oxygens (integrals of ~20% compared to other signals), and one aliphatic methanetriyl group were detected.

HMBC correlations (Figure S85) from the vinylic singlet methyls to quaternary carbons in combination with six protons connected to sp<sup>2</sup> carbons suggested four double bonds in 10 and an additional in **11**, which were all assigned as *trans* based on the high coupling constants  $(^{3}J_{C2-C3}$  = 15.7 Hz,  $^{3}J_{C34-C35}$  = 15.2 Hz,  $^{3}J_{C16-C17}$  = 15.5 Hz for **11**) and the upfield carbon shift of C-47 (δ 12.7 ppm) and C-49 (δ 11.8 ppm for **10**). HMBC correlations from two directions to a downfield quaternary carbon at  $\delta$  168.9 ppm suggest a macrolactone, accounting for all six degrees of unsaturation.

From the COSY spectrum, ten spin systems were identified (Figure S80 and S84), of which systems **a**/**b**/**c**/**d**/**g** were connected by HMBC correlations. The remaining two methanetriyl groups connected to oxygen and the ten methylene groups could not be assigned due to overlapping signals. Despite obtaining **10** and **11** as a mixture, the C-13 to C-20 region of the compounds could be differentiated clearly. A high similarity of chemical shifts (Figure S79, Table S18) suggests a very similar structure to lacunalide A (**6**).

### **Structure elucidation of compound 12**

Compound **12** was assigned the molecular formula  $C_{46}H_{82}O_{10}$  with six degrees of unsaturation based on the deduction from the HR-MS data (*m*/*z* 795.5974 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, Δ -0.68 mmu; Figure S88). <sup>1</sup>H NMR in conjunction with HSQC and <sup>13</sup>C data (Figure S89, S90. S93) suggested three aliphatic doublet methyls, two vinylic singlet methyl, 21 methylene groups, six protons connected to  $sp<sup>2</sup>$  carbons, nine methanetriyl groups connected to oxygen, and two aliphatic methanetriyl group. The HMBC spectrum in conjunction with  $^{13}$ C data revealed three quaternary carbons accounting for all 46 carbons suggested by the molecular formula.

HMBC correlations from the vinylic singlet methyls to a quaternary carbons in combination with six protons connected to sp<sup>2</sup> carbons suggested four double bonds, which were all assigned as *trans* based on the high coupling constants  $(^{3}J_{C2-C3} = 15.7$  Hz,  $^{3}J_{C30-C31} = 15.3$  Hz) and the upfield carbon shift of C-43 ( $\delta$  12.7 ppm) and C-45 ( $\delta$  12.0 ppm). HMBC correlations from two directions to a downfield quaternary carbon at δ 168.9 ppm suggest a macrolactone, accounting for all six degrees of unsaturation.

From the COSY spectrum, seven spin systems were identified (Figure S 87 and S91), of which systems **a**/**b**/**c**/**f** were connected by HMBC correlations. The remaining two methanetriyl groups connected to oxygen and the 11 methylene groups could not be assigned due to overlapping signals. A high similarity of chemical shifts (Figure S79, Table S18) suggests a very similar structure to lacunalide A (**6**)

#### **Structure elucidation of compound 14**

Compound 14 was assigned the molecular formula C<sub>36</sub>H<sub>65</sub>O<sub>7</sub> with five degrees of unsaturation based on the deduction from the HR-MS data (*m*/*z* 609.4716 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, Δ -0.88 mmu; Figure S95). <sup>1</sup>H NMR in conjunction with HSQC and <sup>13</sup>C data (Figure S96, S97, S100) suggested two aliphatic doublet methyls, one vinylic singlet methyl, 19 methylene groups, five protons connected to  $sp<sup>2</sup>$  carbons, six methanetriyl groups connected to oxygen, and one aliphatic methanetriyl group. The HMBC spectrum in conjunction with  $^{13}$ C data revealed two quaternary carbons accounting for all 36 carbons suggested by the molecular formula.

HMBC correlations from the vinylic singlet methyl to a quaternary carbon in combination with five protons connected to sp<sup>2</sup> carbons suggested three double bonds, which were all assigned as *trans* based on the high coupling constants  $(^{3}J_{C2-C3} = 15.7$  Hz,  $^3J_{C22-C23} = 15.3$  Hz) and the upfield carbon shift of C-35 (δ 12.5 ppm). HMBC correlations from two directions to a downfield quaternary carbon at δ 168.7 ppm suggest a macrolactone, accounting for all five degrees of unsaturation.

From the COSY spectrum, six spin systems were identified (Figure S94 and 98), of which systems **a**/**b**/**e** were connected by HMBC correlations. The remaining two methanetriyl groups connected to oxygen and the ten methylene groups could not be assigned due to overlapping signals. A high similarity of chemical shifts (Figure S79, Table S18) suggests a very similar structure to lacunalide A (**6**).

### **Structure elucidation of compound 16**

Compound **16** was assigned the molecular formula  $C_{46}H_{82}O_{11}$  with six degrees of unsaturation based on the deduction from the HR-MS data  $(m/z 811.5905 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>,  $\Delta$  -2.49 mmu; Figure$ S102). <sup>1</sup>H NMR in conjunction with HSQC and <sup>13</sup>C data (Figure S103, S104, S107) suggested three aliphatic doublet methyls, two vinylic singlet methyl, 21 methylene groups, six protons connected to  $sp<sup>2</sup>$  carbons, nine methanetriyl groups connected to oxygen, and two aliphatic methanetriyl group. The HMBC spectrum in conjunction with  $^{13}$ C data revealed three quaternary carbons accounting for all 46 carbons suggested by the molecular formula.

HMBC correlations from the vinylic singlet methyls to a quaternary carbons in combination with six protons connected to sp<sup>2</sup> carbons suggested four double bonds, which were all assigned as *trans* based on the high coupling constants  $(^{3}J_{C2-C3} = 15.7$  Hz,  $^{3}J_{C30-C31} = 15.3$  Hz) and the upfield carbon shift of C-43 ( $\delta$  12.7 ppm) and C-45 ( $\delta$  11.5 ppm). HMBC correlations from two directions to a downfield quaternary carbon at δ 168.9 ppm suggest a macrolactone, accounting for all six degrees of unsaturation.

From the COSY spectrum, seven spin systems were identified (Figure S 101 and S105), of which systems **a**/**b**/**c**/**d**/**f** were connected by HMBC correlations. The remaining methanetriyl group connected to oxygen and the nine methylene groups could not be assigned due to overlapping signals. A high similarity of chemical shifts (Figure S79, Table S18) suggests a very similar structure to lacunalide A (**6**)

#### **Structure elucidation of compound 18**

Compound 18 was assigned the molecular formula C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>56</sub>O<sub>6</sub> with five degrees of unsaturation based on the deduction from the HR-MS data  $(m/z 537.4141 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>,  $\Delta$  -1.41 mmu; Figure$ S109). <sup>1</sup>H NMR in conjunction with HSQC and <sup>13</sup>C data (Figure S110, S111, S114) suggested two aliphatic doublet methyls, one vinylic singlet methyl, more than 15 methylene groups, five protons connected to  $sp<sup>2</sup>$  carbons, six methanetriyl groups connected to oxygen, and one aliphatic methanetriyl group. The HMBC spectrum in conjunction with  $^{13}$ C data revealed two quaternary carbons accounting for 33 carbons, one more than suggested by the molecular formula. In particular, the NMR signals of six methanetriyl groups connected to oxygens and one carboxylate ester account for a total of seven oxygens. For the observed mass, the closest molecular formular containing seven oxygens and a similar degree of unsaturation (which is based on the partially assigned structure a conclusive assumption; see below) is C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>52</sub>O<sub>7</sub> (*m*/*z* 537.4141 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, Δ 34.97 mmu), and hence highly improbable. The six NMR-detectable methanetriyl groups connected to oxygens might arise from isomers that were not resolvable or from an impurity.

HMBC correlations from the vinylic singlet methyl to a quaternary carbon in combination with five protons connected to sp<sup>2</sup> carbons suggested three double bonds, which were all assigned as *trans* based on the high coupling constants  $(^{3}J_{C2-C3} = 15.7$  Hz,  $^3J_{C18-C19} = 15.2$  Hz) and the upfield carbon shift of C-31 (δ 12.3 ppm). HMBC correlations from two directions to a downfield quaternary carbon at δ 168.7 ppm suggest a macrolactone, accounting for all five degrees of unsaturation.

From the COSY spectrum, six spin systems were identified (Figure S108 and S112), of which systems **a**/**b**/**e** were connected by HMBC correlations. The remaining methanetriyl group connected to oxygen and the eight methylene groups could not be assigned due to overlapping signals. A high similarity of chemical shifts (Figure S79, Table S18) suggests a very similar structure to lacunalide A (**6**).

#### **Structure elucidation of compound 20 and 21**

Compounds **20** and **21** could not be separated by several rounds of HPLC purification (see Table S17, and Figure 5). The structures were elucidated using the mixture. **20** was assigned the molecular formula  $C_{42}H_{74}O_9$  with six degrees of unsaturation based on the deduction from the HR-MS data (*m*/*z* 723.5389 [M+H]<sup>+</sup> , Δ -1.66 mmu; Figure S116). **21** was assigned the molecular formular  $C_{41}H_{72}O_9$  with six degrees of unsaturation based on the deduction from the HR-MS data (*m*/*z* 709.5236 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, Δ -1.31 mmu; Figure S116). <sup>1</sup>H NMR in conjunction with HSQC and <sup>13</sup>C data of the **20** and **21** mixture (Figure S117, S118, S121) suggested for **20** three aliphatic doublet methyls, two vinylic singlet methyls, more than 18 methylene groups, six protons connected to  $sp^2$  carbons, eight methanetriyl groups connected to oxygens (with a normalized integral of 100% or ~70%), and two aliphatic methanetriyl group. The HMBC spectrum in conjunction with  $^{13}$ C data revealed three quaternary carbons accounting for all 42 carbons suggested by the molecular formula. For 21 two additional protons connected to  $sp<sup>2</sup>$ carbons (integrals of ~30% compared to other signals), two methanetriyl groups connected to oxygens (integrals of ~30% compared to other signals), and one aliphatic methanetriyl group were detected.

HMBC correlations (Figure S120) from the vinylic singlet methyls to quaternary carbons in combination with six protons connected to sp<sup>2</sup> carbons suggested four double bonds in 20 and an additional in **21**, which were all assigned as *trans* based on the high coupling constants  $(^{3}J_{C2-C3}$  = 15.7 Hz,  $^{3}J_{C26-C27}$  = 15.2 Hz,  $^{3}J_{C12-C13}$  = 15.5 Hz for **21**) and the upfield carbon shift of C-39 (δ 12.6 ppm) and C-41 (δ 11.6 ppm for **20**). HMBC correlations from two directions to a downfield quaternary carbon at  $\delta$  169.0 ppm suggest a macrolactone, accounting for all six degrees of unsaturation.

From the COSY spectrum, seven spin systems were identified (Figure S115 and S119), of which systems **a**/**b**/**c**/**e** were connected by HMBC correlations. The remaining methanetriyl group connected to oxygen and the nine methylene groups could not be assigned due to overlapping signals. Despite obtaining **20** and **21** as a mixture, the C-9 to C-15 region of the compounds could be differentiated clearly. A high similarity of chemical shifts (Figure S79, Table S18) suggests a very similar structure to lacunalide A (**6**).

# **Bioactivity tests of isolated compounds (8, 9, 10+11, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20+21) against HeLa cells**

HeLa cells purchased from ATCC were cultivated at 37 °C, 5% (v/v) CO<sub>2</sub> for 3-4 days. Cells were washed with PBS buffer (Sigma D8537), 0.05 % trypsin-EDTA solution (Thermo 25300-054) was added and the plate was incubated for 5 min at 37 °C. The cells were resuspended in 5 mL medium (DMEM-GlutaMAX) supplemented with 10% FCS (Eurobio CVFSVF00-01), and 50 μg/mL penicillin-streptomycin (Corning). After counting the cells under a ZEISS Axiovert 25 microscope using a Neubauer hemocytometer a 10,000 cells/mL suspension was prepared and 200 µL were transferred into each well of three 96-well plates. After one day of cultivation, 2 µL of compounds (**8**, **9**, **10**+**11**, **12**, **14**, **16**, **18**, **20**+**21** at a concentration of 10 mM), DMSO as a negative control and doxorubicin (1 mg/mL) were added to row B of the plate. 50 μL media of row A was added and a 5-fold serial dilution was performed to row G. After three days of cultivation, 50 µL of 3-(4,5-dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-2,5-diphenyltetrazolium bromide (MTT, 1 mg/mL in sterile H<sub>2</sub>O) were added and the cells incubated for 3 h at 37 °C. The supernatant was discarded and then 150 µL of DMSO were added to the wells. The absorbance at 570 nm was measured on a spectraMAXplus spectrometer (Molecular Devices LLC). Results are shown in Figure S122.

## **Bioinformatic procedures**

#### **Sequence alignments of KS sequences**

Amino acid sequences of 821 KS with and without downstream adapter regions were extracted from an in-house database of 88 annotated *trans*-AT PKS clusters. As an outgroup, KS3 and KS5 from the erythromycin *cis*-AT PKS were used. The sequences were aligned using the MUSCLE algorithm with default settings (*53*) and a phylogenetic tree was computed with FastTree (version 2.1.10 +SSE3 +OpenMP, 16 threads, default settings) (*64*). A sequence logo was created using WebLogo (*65*).

## **Computational details on the statistical coupling analysis**

The sequences of BGCs annotated as *trans*-AT PKS in the antiSMASH database(*37*) and an inhouse database of *trans*-AT PKS assembly lines (Table S1) were used in the statistical analysis. 2239 *trans*-AT PKS BGC deposited in the antiSMASH database and an in-house database were extracted. A list of accession numbers of the genomes containing the BGCs obtaining from the antiSMASH database are enclosed in the data repository. An overview of the number of domain motifs is provided in Figure S10. Extraction of the tridomain sequences yielded 1194 amino acid sequences extracted from 516 clusters. From these sequences, the amino acid sequences indicated by the antiSMASH annotation of the domains, including 100 leading and trailing amino acids in multidomain sequences, while taking gene termini into account. To ensure that sequences annotated with any of antiSMASH's various carrier protein annotations are included in the sequence extractions., With this, any of the PP-binding, ACP, ACP beta AMP binding, PCP and PKS\_PP annotations were accepted as PP-binding target domain and these sequences were extracted in the presence of appropriate neighboring domains. To prevent large, highly gapped regions in MSAs of multidomain sequences, 15 amino acids following and leading consecutive domain annotations were extracted, instead of the full sequence linking the domains. The sequences obtained were then used to construct a multiple sequence alignment (MSA). MSAs with Clustal-Omega (*66*, *67*) were constructed using the '-threads=5 -seqtype=Protein' options. The MSAs were then used for statistical coupling analysis (SCA) using Python scripts published by Rivoire et al (*32*). First, positions that contained more than 80% gaps and subsequently sequences containing more than 20% gaps were removed from the MSA, and positions that contained more than 20% gaps were filtered from the alignment. Then, the sequences were weighed by the inverse of the total number of sequences in the MSA with which the sequence shares more than 80% sequence identity. The obtained filtered MSA and sequence weights were used to perform the statistical coupling analysis. Full details of SCA algorithm can be found elsewhere (*32*). The final, filtered MSA contained 1284 sequences and 970 amino acid positions. Taking sequence weights into account (*32*), 428 effective sequences were used. The SCA matrices for the various domain motifs are given below. The EPIAII, HGTGT, NAHxVxE and TYPFx<sub>5</sub>W motifs are indicated on the axes, indicating the *N*-terminus, active site, and *C*-terminus of the KS domain and the *C*terminus of the FSD, respectively. Since the NAHxVxE motif is not as highly conserved as many of the other motifs, the exact sequence of the motif in the consensus sequence varies slightly between the alignments (Figures S10-13).



**Table S1** Sources for the *trans*-AT BGC sequences not included in the antiSMASH database.



# **Supplementary tables**





**Table S3** Primers used for construction of Golden Gate donor and acceptor plasmids for the *Bacillus* mutants. Lowercase letters indicate overhangs resulting from restriction enzyme digestion.





**Table S4** Golden Gate assemblies in *Bacillus* hybrids.







**Table S5** Overview of restriction digests performed to obtain *pks-psy* and *pks-onn* chimeric constructs from subcloned plasmids**.**





# **Table S6** Overview of primers used in Gibson assemblies of *pks-psy* chimeric PKSs.











**Table S7** Screening primers for verification of genomic integration in *Bacillus subtilis* mutants encoding chimeric *pks* PKSs.



## **Table S8** Primers used for the construction of the *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 deletion strains.



# **Table S9** Overview of primers used to construct *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 mutants















































**Table S10** Primers used in to create *G*. *sunshinyii* mutants producing truncated lacunalides.











**Table S11** *G*. *sunshinyii* mutants generated in this study. A new mutant was generated by conjugative transfer of a suicide plasmid from the donor strain to the respective acceptor strain.



**Table S12** Overview of consensus retention times of the detected engineered and natural oocydins, as extracted from the combined UHPLC-MS traces; n.d. indicates not determined. The oocydin PKS produces various product congeners due to various degrees of hydrolysis and reduction of the alkoxy moiety installed in the initial phases of biosynthesis (*13*, *17*), leading to the production of various products with R groups **A**-**D**. The putative structure of scaffold **I** is based on the biosynthetic logic of oocydin biosynthesis (*13*, *17*) and the putative structure of scaffolds **IV** and **V** are based on the NMR-confirmed structure of **2** (**II-D**).







## **Design and analysis of chimeric bacillaene** *trans***-AT PKSs in** *B. subtilis*

In our initial attempts to engineer *trans*-AT PKSs, we focused on engineering the well-studied bacillaene *pks* biosynthetic pathway in *B. subtilis* (Fig. SXA). Manual alignment of KS sequences showed the presence of the conserved NAHVILEE motif at the C-terminus of the KS domains (Fig. S1B). We selected the terminal domain series of the *psy* pathway to be introduced into the pks assembly line. As fusion sites, we selected either the C-terminus of the 4<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> KS domain of the *pks* pathway. This design resulted in a first set of chimeric PKSs, i. e., PksL4<sub>NAHVILEE</sub>-PsyD10 and PksM8<sub>NAHVILEE</sub>-PsyD10, which both contain the C-terminus of PsyD from the 10<sup>th</sup> KS onward fused directly downstream of either the PksL KS4 or the PksM KS8 KS domain. In a second design, PksL4<sub>NAHVILEE</sub>-PsyD11, the terminal domains downstream of the *psy* KS10 pathway are fused to PksL KS4 at the NAHVILEE site. For primers used to construct these mutants, see Tables S3-6.

HPLC-MS analysis showed only the presence of stalled intermediates up to the fusion points in culture extracts of these mutants, e.g., the intermediate from ACP 11 for  $PKsM8_{NAHVILEF}$ PsyD10 (Figs. S1 and S3). To compare levels of bacillaene derivatives and intermediates, bacillibactin was used as an internal standard as described previously (*48*, *81*). After elucidation of the LPTYPFx5W motif as useful site for *trans*-AT PKS engineering, we additionally constructed PksL4LPTYPFX5W-PSyD10 and PksM8LPTYPFX5W-PsyD10. These chimeric assembly lines have similar architectures as the chimeras fused at the NAHVILEE site, but are fused directly downstream of the Pks KS LPTYPFx5W site. Although we were not able to detect ions at *m*/*z* values corresponding to anticipated products originating from these chimeric PKSs, we note that the intensities of the intermediates released from the ACP upstream of the engineering site is decreased in the PksM8 LPTYPFX5W-PsyD10 mutant. This decrease in intensity suggests that this assembly line might be processive and converts these intermediates into downstream products. However, as for wild-type bacillaene, the large number of conjugated double bonds, together with potential cyclization of the product, is likely to induce rearrangements and/or other decomposition processes that preclude us from identifying ions at *m*/*z* values corresponding to the product of these chimeric assembly lines.



**Figure S1** Overview of chimeric *trans*-AT PKSs produced by exchange of terminal domains. (**A**) Relevant section of the bacillaene *trans*-AT PKS from *B. subtilis.* KS numbers are indicated in black above the KS domains. ACP numbers are indicated in italic and gray below the assembly line. (**B**) Chimeric PKSs created by fusion of either KS4 (located in PksL) or KS8 (PksM) with terminal domains of the psymberin (*psy*), onnamide (*onn*) *trans*-AT PKSs. AL: acyl ligase, C: condensation domain, A: adenylation domain, KS: ketosynthase, DH: dehydratase, ER: enoylreductase, KR: ketoreductase, KS $^{0}$ : non-elongating ketosynthase, MT: methyltransferase, filled circles: carrier protein, DUF: domain of unknown function, TE: thioesterase. (**C**) WebLogo representation of the conserved NAHVILEE motif downstream of the KSs.



**Figure S2** EICs for ions of various intermediates and potential chimeric *trans*-AT PKS products were obtained from HPLC-MS traces of extracts of *B. subtilis* encoding the PksL4<sub>NAHVILEE</sub>-PsyD10 chimeric PKS. The dark blue traces indicate the proton adduct and the light blue traces indicate the sodium adduct, for which the masses are indicated in the legend of each subplot. The maximum intensity in the respective EICs is also indicated in each legend. Putative structures of intermediates and products corresponding to the *m*/*z* value*s* of interest, as obtained from the biosynthetic scheme in Fig. S1 are depicted next to each EIC.



PksM8<sub>NAHVILEE</sub>-PsyD10



**Figure S3** EICs for ions of various intermediates and potential chimeric *trans*-AT PKS products were obtained from HPLC-MS traces of extracts of *B. subtilis* encoding the PksM8<sub>NAHVILEE</sub>-PsyD10 chimeric PKS. The dark blue traces indicate the proton adduct and the light blue traces indicate the sodium adduct, for which the masses are indicated in the legend of each subplot. The maximum intensity in the respective EICs is also indicated in each legend. Putative structures of intermediates and products corresponding to the *m*/*z* value*s* of interest, as obtained from the biosynthetic scheme in Fig. S1 are depicted next to each EIC.



**Figure S4** EICs for ions of various intermediates and potential chimeric *trans*-AT PKS products were obtained from HPLC-MS traces of extracts of *B. subtilis* encoding the PksL4<sub>NAHVILEE</sub>-PsyD11 chimeric PKS. The dark blue traces indicate the proton adduct and the light blue traces indicate the sodium adduct, for which the masses are indicated in the legend of each subplot. The maximum intensity in the respective EICs is also indicated in each legend. Putative structures of intermediates and products corresponding to the *m*/*z* value*s* of interest, as obtained from the biosynthetic scheme in Fig. S1 are depicted next to each EIC.



**Figure S5** EICs for ions of various intermediates and potential chimeric trans-AT PKS products were obtained from HPLC-MS traces of extracts of B. subtilis encoding the PksM8<sub>NAHVILEE</sub>-PsyD10 chimeric PKS. The dark blue traces indicate the proton adduct and the light blue traces indicate the sodium adduct, for which the masses are indicated in the legend of each subplot. The maximum intensity in the respective EICs is also indicated in each legend. Putative structures of intermediates and products corresponding to the *m/z* values of interest, as obtained from the biosynthetic scheme in Fig. S1 depicted next to each EIC.


**Figure S6** EICs for ions of various intermediates and potential chimeric *trans*-AT PKS products were obtained from HPLC-MS traces of extracts of *B. subtilis* encoding the PksM8<sub>LPTYPFx5W</sub>-PsyD10 chimeric PKS. The dark blue traces indicate the proton adduct and the light blue traces indicate the sodium adduct, for which the masses are indicated in the legend of each subplot. The maximum intensity in the respective EICs is also indicated in each legend. Putative structures of intermediates and products corresponding to the *m*/*z* value*s* of interest, as obtained from the biosynthetic scheme in Fig. S1 are depicted next to each EIC.



Bacillus subtilis wild type

**Figure S7** EICs for ions of various intermediates and potential chimeric *trans*-AT PKS products were obtained from HPLC-MS traces of extracts of wild type *B. subtilis*. The dark blue traces indicate the proton adduct and the light blue traces indicate the sodium adduct, for which the masses are indicated in the legend of each subplot. The maximum intensity in the respective EICs is also indicated in each legend.



# **Additional supplementary figures**



Figure S8 WebLogo representation of manual alignment of extended KS sequences. The NAHVILEE and LPTYPFx5YW motif are indicated as shaded areas.



**Figure S8 continued.**



**Figure S9** Histograms of various domain motifs in the BGCs used for the SCA analysis.



**Figure S10** SCA matrices of Clustal alignments obtained of (**A**) PP-binding–KS, (B) PP-binding– KS–FSD, (**C**) KS–FSD–KR, (**D**) KS–FSD–DH2, (**E**) KS–FSD–MT and (**F**) KS–FSD–PP-binding–KS domain motifs. The IAII, EDAGY, HGTGT, and the consensus sequence of the NAHVILEE and LPTYPFx<sub>5</sub>W motifs obtained from each MSA are indicated on the axes, indicating the Nterminus, active site and C-terminus of the KS domain and the C-terminus of the FSD, respectively.



**Figure S11** SCA matrices of a Clustal alignment obtained of a KR–PP-binding–KS–FSD domain motif. The IAII, EDAGY, HGTGT, and the consensus sequence of the NAHVILEE and LPTYPFx<sub>5</sub>W motifs obtained from each MSA are indicated on the axes, indicating the N-terminus, active site and C-terminus of the KS domain and the C-terminus of the FSD, respectively.

### **PP**‑**binding–KS**

-DAASLREKVEAYLKELLAVLKIDADAPFEDYGIDSILLVELTNRLEKFLSPTLFFEYPTIAELAAYL LEEHREALAALLG--PAAAAAAAADEDIAIIGMSGRYPGAENLDEFWENLKEGKDCITEIPADWDWRY YDPGKTYSKWGGFIDDVDEFDPLFFGISPREAELMDPQERLFLETAWKAIEDAGYTPKSLSRVGVFVG VMYGDYQLLGAATGSSPSSIANRVSYFLNLHGPSMAVDTACSSSLVAIHLACESLRRGECEMALAGGV NLSLHPNKYIALSQAGMLSSDGRCKSFGAGADGYVPGEGVGAVLLKPLSDAEADGDHIYGVIKGSAVN HGGKTNGYTAPNPKAQAELIREALDKAGIDPRTISYIEAHGTGTSLGDPIEINGLTKAFRQ-DKQFCA IGSVKSNIGHLEAAAGIAGLIKVLLQMKHRTLVPSHSELNPNIDFEGSPFYVQQELREWKRP-ELPRR AGVSSFGAGGTNAHVILEEYIPPAAA-AAGPALIVLSAKNEERLREYAERLLAFLEE-DIAQVGREAM EERLAASSLEL-KLRAFLAG-



# **PP**‑**binding–KS–FSD**

AGLQ--A-AADEDALREKVEAYLKQLIAEVKIPAEKIDADAPLEEYGIDSIMLTELTNELEKTFLSPT LFFEYQTIAELAAYLVEEHREALAALLGLEAKEAAA--AAPAAAAAPADEDIAIIGMSGRYPQAEDLE EFWENLKEGKDCITEIPADRWDWREYDGKTYSKWGGFIDDVDKFDPLFFGISPREAELMDPQERLFLE TAWEAIEDAGYTPESLA-KVGVFVGVMYTGYQLLGEALGSSPSSIANRVSYFLNLHGPSMAVDTACSS SLTAIHLACESLRRGECEMAIAGGVNLSLHPNKYISLSQAGMLSSDGRCKSFGEGGDGYVPGEGVGAV LLKPLSKAEADGDHIYGVIKGSAVNHGGKTNGYTVPNPNAQADLIKEALEKAGIDPRTVSYIEAHGTG TSLGDPIEIAGLTKAFRE-TDKQFCAIGSVKSNIGHLESAAGIAGLTKVLLQMKHKTLVPSLHEELNP YIDFEDSPFYVQQELEEWKRPVLPRRAGISSFGAGGANAHVVIEEYIPEAAE--AAEGPALIVLSAKN EERLREYAEQLLAFLEEDADLADIAYTLQVGREAMEERLAFVASSLEELEEKLNAFLAGK-LGGEIEA WIEKGKLAKLAELWVKDIDWSKYGKPRRISLPTYPFAKERYWIPDAAKAAAA-RFGFLPEMKNVWRP



**Figure S12** Color-coded consensus sequences of various domain motifs. SCA sectors are indicated with color coding of the residues, with sector mapping indicated below the consensus sequence. Residues that are not in a protein sector are colored black.

### **KS–FSD–KR**

TVVELTNALNKAFGELSPTLFFEYPTIRALAEYLIKEHPDALIKLTGA-AAAAAADRAAEDIAIIGMS GRYPGAKDLDEFWDNLAEGKDCITEIPKERWDWRAYYDPEKEGKTYCKWGGFLDDIDEFDPLFFNISP REAELMDPQERLFLQTAWKAIEDAGYTPESLSKKTGVFAGVMNNEYGLLL-ATGNSFSIIANRVSYFL NLKGPSIPVDTACSSSLVAIHLACEALRNGECDMAIAGGVNLYLTPESYISLSKAGMLSPDGRCKTFD DGADGFVPGEGVGAVVLKPLSDAEADGDHIYGVIRGSAINHGGKTNGITAPNPKAQADLIREAYERAG IDPRTISYIEAHGTGTKLGDPIEIEGLTKAFREDTRKQFCAIGSVKSNIGHLEAAAGIAGLTKVLLQM KHRQLVPSLHFETLNPHIDFDDSPFYVQTELKEWERPLPRRAGVSSFGAGGTNAHIVIEEYQPKARA-KADPPALIVLSAKNEERLKEYAEQLLDFLRQKDIDLADIAYTLQTGREAMEERLAFVAGSLEELEEKL NAFLAGKTAGLYRGQM--LIDAWIRKGKYAKLAELWVKGLDIDWNRLYGKPRRISLPTYPFAKERYWL PEPEAAPAAE-REVLLLQKQWEESPLPSAEEGTVAILATDETA-ELAFIIF-VTKGLEFANELVRLAG ASRAGLYRMLQLEYPHLRSRHIDLDPATDLAKIIAEDSTEAEVCYRDGQRYRAVLEETPLEAKPSPFP EGGVYLITGGTGGLGLLCARHLAERYVKLVLTGRSPLPPRIEAIQELELGQVLYLSADLSDPAAVRQA LKRIKRTFGPIGGVIHCAGVVDAFIRKTAEDFQRVLEPKVAGLQTLDEALNEPLDFFVLFSSVSAIGA GQSDYAMANAFMDAFAAYRNE-GPTVSINWPNWKEGGMGEVTLKSSGLRSLTNAEGLALLDRILRLLL AGEPSR-GAPA-A--LAW



#### **KS–FSD–DH**

DSILLVELANRNKEFGLTLLFEYPTIALAYLAEYAEAFA--E--APAAAEPKYADEDIAIIGISGRFP GANIDEFWENLKEGKDCITEIPKDRWDWREYGEGKTYSKWGGFIDGVDCFDPLFFGISPREAELMDPQ ERLFLETAWKAIEDAGYTPKSLGTKTGVFVGVMTDYRLLLAEEGSAVGASPSSIANRVSYFLNLHGPS MAVDTACSSSLVAIHLACESLRSGECEMALAGGVNLSLHPNKYISLSKAGMLSSDGRCKTFGAGADGY VPGEGVGAVLLKPLSDAEADGDHIYAVIKGSAVNHGGKTNGLTVPNPKAQADVIQAALDKAGIDPRTI SYIEAHGTGTKLGDPIEINGLTKAFRQYTKQFCGIGSVKSNIGHLEAAAGIAGLIKVLLQLKHKTLVP SLHSEELNPYIDFEDSPFYVVQETKEWKRPYPRRAGISSFGAGGTNAHVILEEYIPEESA-DAEGPAL IVLSAKNEERLREYAKQLLAFLE-TDVDLADLAYTLQVGREAMEERLAFIASSIEELKEKLKAFLNGG CYRGADGEEIEKWLAKGKLAKLAELWVGAVDWNKLYGKPRRISLPTYPFAKERYWIPDAEKKAS-GAA VLHPLLHSDLSEQRFSSTFTGEEFFLADHVVKKRVLPGVAYLEMARAAVERAAGGSVIRLKNVVWVRP IVVEEPEVHIRIAFEIYSE-EPVVHSQGSAVLVEAPVLDLELKQCQLSAEECYEAFRIGIDYGPAFRG IEQLYIVLAKLSLPASVTKDQYVLHPSLLDSALQASGLLL-DNKLSLPFALEELEVGPPMWAYVRYSE GVQKLDIDLCDENGRVCVRLKGFSSRALEGEA-GTLLLEPVWEEAPLEAE--EHIVVLCGDDE



**Figure S12 continued.**

# **KS–FSD–MT**

SISIVELNSRLN-LLGSLSPTLLFEYPTIAALAEHLAEGHPEAPAKWLG---A--ARPESANVGRDED IAIIGMSGRFPGADDLEEFWENLAEGRDAIREIPAERWDWIAYYDGKSYSKWGGFLDDIDEFDPLFFN ISPREAENMDPQQRLFLQEAWEALEDAGYSPKDLSGSRTGVFVGVTTQQYQLLLPEVESALPGNSFAS LANRISYFLNLTGPSLAVDTACSSSLVAIHEACQSLRSGECEMALAGGVNLYLSPSSYVLSQAGMLSP DGRCKAFDADADGFVPGEGVGAVVLKPLDQAVADGDHIYAVIRGSAVNHDGRTNGITAPNPAAQAAVI REALERAGIDPETISYIEAHGTGTRLGDPIEVEALTEAFGKYTDKQFCAIGSVKSNIGHLEAAAGIAG LIKVVLAMKHRQIPPTLHFKEPNPHIDFANSPFYVNRELKEWPPGPRRAGVSSFGAGGTNAHVVLEEY PGPREASASGPYLFVLSAKTEERLRAYAERLLAFLKAHLDLADIAYTLQVGREAMACRLAFVANSVEE LIQKLERFLEGGD-AG-ARTKEGGSPAPVRRAIEEGDLEELAKLWVQGVDIDWAALYGPRRVSLPTYP FARRRYWIEPKAQQGPAASGFGIVERYERWLQAGYLEFDEEYLTLAALPALFPGGSMELVEGFYKGNP DYYNLVLAEQVEQRADFSRRIRILEIGAGTGGTSIQLAALAPHQVEYCYDISKAFLLHAERRFAPAYP FVRFQIFNIESSEQGFPPQYDIVIAANVLHATRDIRATLSHVKALLAPGGLLLLNELVANSLFSFEDT DLGSPLLTPETWEQLLREEGFTIVEIPDVSAPELGQQILLAFNDSGVAGQTPI-



# **KS–FSD–PP-binding-KS**

DRLPGPPTLFFEYGTLGGLAGYLRDSHLNALVRLPGFDDPRAAAHAGACADDIAIIGLSGRYPGAPTL DAFWRNLVAGRDSISEIPAERWDWRDHYEPDPTHGKSYGKWGGFLDGFDAFDPLFFOISPREAEFMDP QERLFLEACWHALEDAGYPPEALQGARVGVFVGVTKQGYNLYGAGGAYQGTSLASLANRVSYFLDFNG PSVAFDTMCSSSLVAIHEACQSLRRGECEIAIAGGVNLNLHPSNYQQLSKAGMLSSDGRCRSFGSGGD GYVPGEGVGAVVLKPLRRALADGDPIYGVIRGSAVNHGGRTNGFTVPSPKAQAAVIRAALARAGVDPR SISYVEAHGTGTALGDPIEIAALTRAFGARTRDGRCAIGSVKSNIGHLEAAAGIAGLTKVLLQLRHGQ LPPSLHCEALNPDIDFDATPFEVQRELAPWARARVPRRAGISSFGAGGSNAHLVLEEYAAPAVPEADA GPHLFVLSARTRERLRDYARDLLAFLNDDLADIAYTLQVGREAMACRLAVVAADLRELAGKLARFLEG AHDGVFRGEARAAHREAARDARELRDLARLWVGGAVVDWAARHAPPRRISLPTYPFARRRYWPGAAAA AAAAPATDAAARLEAALLPRLRELVADVLRLPADELDADRPFDEYGLDSILIVELNVRLNEILGRLSS TLFFEYRTAGELARHLLTAHRDACAAWVFDGSSSIKRPGATWDEPIAIVGMSGRFPQARDLDAFWDNL ARGRDSITEIPPERWDLDGGRSYCKWGGFIDGVDEFDPLFFNISPREAENMDPQQRLFLEEAWKALED AGYTRARLAGGRCGVFVGITRGEYQLLGAGNLQGKATGNSFSSLANRVSYFLDLNGPSIAVDTACSSS LVAVHLACDSLRSGECEVALAGGVNLSLHPYMYVSLSAAGMLSSDGRCKTFDAGADGYVPGEGVGVVV LKPLSDALADGDRIHGVIRGSGVNHGGKTNGYTAPNPIAQQALIRSALDRAGIDPRTISYVEAHGTGT ELGDPIEIAGLSRAFRRDTSDRGFCAIGSVKSNIGHLEAAAGIAGLTKVLLQMKHGQLPPSLHAEELN PNIDFPASPFYVNRETRPWERPVEHPRRAGVSSFGAGGTNAHVVLEEYPRQASAGAPALIVLSAKTPE QLRRYASRLLARLRDADYARLAYTLQVGREAMEERLAVVADSVQELEGKLRQFLDGKTD



**Figure S12 continued.**

#### **KR–PP**‑**binding–KS**

LIQIVEQQLLSGLSGLLKTAGLENPKLTGQLIEIEPEESLAEILREPDDVHIRYERYVADWKETD-EA DVPWKDGGVYLITGGAGGLGLIFAKEIARTKDATLILTGRSPLDEDKKQLEELGARVEYRQADVTDKE AVERLIAEIKEYGGLNGIIHSAGVIRDSYILKKTAEEFQQVLAPKVAGTVNLDEATKDLPLDFFILFS SISGVLGNAGQADYAAANAFMDAYAAYRNALVRHGKTLSINWPLWKGMQVDAEAMLLKESGMVPLETE EGIQALYQALSGVLVLEGDRARIALLQTASAAEIDEDSLLEKVEHYLKQLISELLKLPAEKIDADAPL EDYGFDSIMITELTNKLEKTFGLSKTLFFEYQTIRELAGYLLEEHREALAALLGAAAKEAQAA-P--- PVAAQAKQHPEPIAIIGISGRYPQADDLDEFWENLKEKDCITEIPKDRWDWREYYGDD-EAGKTYSKW GGFIDGVDEFDPLFFGISPREAELMDPQERLFLETAWKAIEDAGYTRESLSGTKVGVFVGVMYTGYQL LGAEI-AAGSSPSSIANRVSYFLNLHGPSMAIDTACSSSLVAIHLACESLRRGECEMAIAGGVNLSLH PNKYIALSQAGMLSSDGRCKSFGEGGDGYVPGEGVGAVLLKPLSKAEADGDHIYGVIKGSAVNHGGKT NGYTVPNPKAQAEVIKEALKKAGIDPRTVSYIEAHGTGTELGDPIEINGLTKAFSELTQFCAIGSVKS NIGHLEAAAGIAGLTKVLLQMKHKTLVPSLHSETLNPIDFEDSPFYVQQELEEWKRPRELPRRAGISS FGAGGVNAHVVIEEYIPEADE--EEGPQLIVLSAKNEERLKEYARRLLDATDADLADIAYTLQVGREA MEERLAIVASSLEELEEKLKAFLAGK-EGLYRGDEE-QAALEAWIERGKLAKLAELWVKGDIDWDKLY GGKPRRISLPTYPFAKERYWIPDSAQAAEAA-ADHVMAAW



**Figure S12 continued.**



**Figure S13** Positional conservation of the amino acid positions in the filtered MSA for sectors 1, 2, and 3 as obtained from the SCA of the Clustal alignments of the KS–FSD–KR tridomain. The consensus sequence can be found in Fig. S12. The horizontal dashed lines indicate the average conservation in the sector.



**Figure S14** (**A**) The polyketide intermediate attached to the OocO ACP can be halogenated by OocPQ. Hydrolysis of non-chlorinated and chlorinated intermediates results in the release of congeners **22** and **23**, respectively. (**B**) EICs for ions of the ammonium adducts of **22C** (top) and **23C** (bottom) from expression cultures of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocR* and *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR*. (**C**) Zoom of the mass spectrum at a retention time of 6.44 minutes from HPLC-MS analysis of an expression culture of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocR*, showing that the ion with an *m*/*z* corresponding to **23C** is chlorinated. The absence of this signal in the *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* mutant indicates that knocking out and supplementing *oocQ* suffice to abolish and restore chlorination of polyketide intermediates, respectively. For these measurements, a solvent gradient (A = H<sub>2</sub>O + 0.1% formic acid and B = acetonitrile + 0.1% formic acid) with B at 1% for 0–2 min, 5–50% for 2–4 min, 50–95% for 4-10 min and 95% for 10-13 min at a flow rate of 1.0 mL/min) was used on a Phenomenex Kinetex 2.6  $\mu$ M C18 100A (150  $\times$  4.6 mm) column at 27 °C.



**Figure S15** (**A**) Domain architecture of the modules encoded by the *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 mutant harboring the *pBAD-oocQR<sub>KS0-DH-ACP</sub>-lbm<sub>KS12</sub>-oocS<sub>C</sub> plasmid. (B) Domain architecture of* the modules encoded by the *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 mutant harboring the *pBAD-oocQR*<sub>KS0-DH-ACP</sub>*lbm*KS11-ACP-KS12-*oocS*<sup>C</sup> plasmid. In these constructs, the foreign domains are inserted downstream of the ACP, rather than downstream of the KS-FSD. This fusion site is employed in a productive truncated disorazol PKS, reported by Wang et. al. (*24*). (**C**) EICs of ions corresponding to ammonium adducts of **1** and **2**, as obtained from expression cultures of *S. plymuthica* ΔoocQR supplemented with *pBAD-oocQR<sub>KS0-DH-ACP</sub>-lbm<sub>KS12</sub>-OocS<sub>C</sub> and <i>pBADoocQRSC* (domain architecture in Figure 2 in main text) . (**D**) EICs of ions corresponding to ammonium adducts of **1** and **2**, as obtained from expression cultures of *S. plymuthica* Δ*oocQR*  supplemented with *pBAD-oocQR*<sub>KS0-DH-ACP</sub>-lbm<sub>KS11-ACP-S12</sub>OocS<sub>C</sub> and *pBAD-oocQR-lbm*<sub>KS12</sub>-oocS<sub>C</sub> (domain architecture in Figure 2 in the main text).



**Figure S16** (**A**) Hydrolysis of stalled intermediates in chimeric assembly lines that incorporate a foreign minimal ACP-KS domain series (e.g., OocQR-Lcn24-ACP-C) leads to premature offloading from the assembly line, producing the carboxylic acids shown on the right, whereas normal processing by the foreign minimal ACP-KS domain series and offloading results in biosynthesis of **3** and related congeners (**III A-D**) (see Table S12). (**B**) Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 + *pBAD-oocQR-lcn24- C* of ions of the various prematurely offloaded polyketide congener adducts. (**C**) Mass spectra at various elution times of the expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13, indicating that the compounds with *m/z* values corresponding to congener **II** adducts are chlorinated. (**D**) EICs for ions of the various prematurely hydrolyzed polyketide congeners from an expression culture of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR*.

#### **Structure elucidation of 2 and 3**

Compound 2 with the molecular formular  $C_{23}H_{29}CD_8$  and 9 degrees of unsaturation was established from the HR-MS data HRMS (*m*/*z* 469.1633 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, Δ 0.98 mmu). Although the parent ion *m*/*z* intensity was very low, the ammonium ion adduct was the most intense (*m*/*z* 486.1905 [M+NH4] + ).

The substructure II spin system was established from the COSY correlations of  $H_2$ -8 to  $H_2$ -7/H-9, H2-10 to H-9/H-11/ H-12 to H-11/H- and H-13 to H-12/H-14. This assignment was supported by the HMBC correlations of H<sub>2</sub>-8 to C-7/C-9, H<sub>2</sub>-10 to C-8/C-9/C-11/C-12, H-11 to C-10/C-12/C-13 and H-12 to C-10/C-11. The downfield shift of C-12 (δ 83.5) together with the HMBC cross peaks observed between H-9 and C-12 confirm the oxolane ring. Substructure III was deduced and connected to substructure II from the HMBC correlations of  $H_3$ -23 to C-14/C-15/C-16, H<sub>2</sub>-16 to C-14/C-15/C-17/C-23 and H-13 to C-11/C-12/C-14/C-15. The substructure I was established from the HMBC correlations of  $H_2$ -2 to C-1/C-3/C-4,  $H_2$ -4 to C-2/C-3/C-5/C-6. This substructure was connected to II based on the HMBC correlations of H-5 to C-6/C-7and H<sub>2</sub>-7 to C-5. The macrolide ring was deduced based on the downfield shift of H-13 (δ 6.18) and the HMBC correlation of this proton to C-1 (δ 169.1). The substructure IV was elucidated from the HMBC correlations of H<sub>3</sub>-21 to C-19/C-20, H<sub>2</sub>-22 to C-18/C-19-C-20 and H<sub>2</sub>-18 to C-19/C-20/C-22. This substructure was connected to III based on the HMBC correlations of  $H_2$ -18/ $H_2$ -16 to the carbonyl carbon C-17.





HMBC COSY

**Figure S17** Structural assignment of **2.**

No.	13C/HSQC	$\mathbf{H}$
1	169.1, C	
2	48.3, CH <sub>2</sub>	3.24 (d), $J=15.8$ Hz
		3.74 (d), $J=15.8$ Hz
3	202.6, C	
4	45.4, CH <sub>2</sub>	$3.02$ (m)
		3.57 (dd), $J=10,4$ , 16.2 Hz
5	121.0, CH	$5.72$ (m)
6	139.6, C	
7	36.9, $CH2$	2.46 (ddd), $J=2.4$ , 5.0, 13.9 Hz
		2.77 (ddd), J=4.6, 12.6, 14.1 Hz
8	$31.4$ , $CH2$	$1.52$ (m)
		$2.10$ (m)
9	76.4, CH	$4.14$ (m)
10	44.5, $CH2$	1.70 (td), $J=5.1$ , 12.1 Hz
		1.94 (dd), $J=3.7,12.6$ Hz
11	73.6 CH	4.56 (td), J=2.0, 2.6, 5.4 Hz
12	83.5 CH	4.09 (t), $J=5.5$ Hz
13	73.0, CH	6.18 (t), $J=5.0$ Hz
14	124.9, CH	$5.69$ (m)
15	136.6, C	
16	45.4, $CH2$ 3.11 (s)	
17	172.3, C	
18	63.2, CH <sub>2</sub>	4.77 (q), $J=1.3$ Hz
19	144.6, C	
20	200.0, C	
21	25.9, $CH3$	$2.36$ (s)
22	128.4, CH <sub>2</sub>	6.06 (t); $J=1.4$ Hz
		6.32 (t), $J=1.4$ Hz
23	17.1, $CH3$	1.79 (d), $J=1.3$ Hz

**Table S13** NMR data for compound 2 in methanol-d<sub>4</sub> (<sup>1</sup>H 500 MHz, <sup>13</sup>C 125 MHz).



**Figure S18**<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **2** in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 500 MHz).



**Figure S19** COSY spectrum of **2** in methanol-*d*<sup>4</sup> ( <sup>1</sup>H 500 MHz).



**Figure S20** HSQC spectrum of 2 in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 500 MHz, <sup>13</sup>C 125 MHz).



**Figure S21** HMBC spectrum of 2 in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 500 MHz, <sup>13</sup>C 125 MHz).

Compound **3** was assigned the molecular formula C25H31ClO<sup>9</sup> and 10 degrees of unsaturation based on the deduction from the HR-MS data (*m*/*z* 511.1712 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, Δ -1.69 mmu). The substructure I was elucidated from the HMBC correlations of H-3 to C-5/C-1, H-5 to C-3/C-6. COSY correlations of  $H<sub>2</sub>$ -7 to H-8 in conjunction with the HMBC correlations of H-8 to C-6 connected the side chain to the pyrone ring. Typical pyrone <sup>13</sup>C and <sup>1</sup>H chemical shifts at δ 87.9 (δ 5.88) and δ 104.2 (δ 6.67) for position 3 and 5 respectively were observed in the HSQC spectrum. The second spin system for substructure II was elucidated from the COSY correlations of H-10 to H-9/H-11, H-12 to H-11/H-13/, H-14 to H-13/H-15 and H-15 to H-16. HMBC correlations of H<sub>3</sub>-26 (δ 1.79) to C-17/C-18/C-19 and H<sub>2</sub>-19 (δ 3.02) to C-17/C-18/C-20 was recorded. The oxolane ring was deduced from downfield shift of C-12 (δ 77.8) and C-15 (δ 81.5). These chemical shifts were in agreement with those reported for oocydin B (*17*). The substructure III was deduced from the HMBC correlations of  $H_2$ -21 to C-25 and  $H_3$ -24 to C-22/C-23. The three sub structures were connected based on the HMBC correlations of the H<sub>2</sub>-21 to C-20 and H-8 to C-10. The chloride atom predicted from the HR-MS data HRM was attached to the only remaining open position to at C-9 (δ 136.3). The NMR data assignment in compound **3** from C-10 to C-20 were in agreement with those previously assigned for oocydin B<sup>35</sup> with the exception of the slightly difference in chemical shifts for oxolane ring. The upfield shift in the chemical shift at position 14 (δ 4.48, δ 73.3) compared to the oocydin B chemical shifts ( $\delta$  5.31,  $\delta$  76.5)<sup>35</sup>, supported the absence of the macrolide ring in **3.** 



**Figure S22** Structural assignment of **3**.



**Table S14** NMR data for compound **3** in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 500 MHz, <sup>13</sup>C 150 MHz).



**Figure S23** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **3** in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz).



**Figure S24** COSY spectrum of **3** in methanol-*d*<sup>4</sup> ( <sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz).



**Figure S25** HSQC spectrum of **3** in methanol- $d_4$  ( $^1$ H 600 MHz,  $^{13}$ C 150 MHz).



**Figure S26** HMBC spectrum of **3** in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz, <sup>13</sup>C 150 MHz).





**Figure S27** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z* value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S28** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR*. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z* value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S29** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD*. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z* value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S30** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD*-*oocQR*. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z* value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S31** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD*-*oocQRSC*. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z*  value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S32** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD-oocQR*KS0-DH-ACP*-lbm*KS12*-OocS*C. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z* value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S33** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD-oocQR*KS0-DH-ACP*-lbm*KS11-ACP-KS12*-oocS*C. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z* value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S34** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD-oocQR-Psy*KS11 – Fusion site: LPTYPFx5W. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z* value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S35** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD-oocQR-Psy*KS11 – Fusion site: NAHVILEE. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z* value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S36** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD-oocQR-Lbm12-oocS*<sup>C</sup> – Upstream fusion site: LPTYPFx5W, downstream fusion site: LPTYPFx5W. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z* value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S37** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD-oocQR-Lbm12-oocS*<sup>C</sup> – Upstream fusion site: NAHVILEE, downstream fusion site: LPTYPFx5W. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z* value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S38** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD-oocQR-Lbm12-oocS*<sup>C</sup> – Upstream fusion site: LPTYPFx5W, downstream fusion site: NAHVILEE. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z* value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.


**Figure S39** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD-oocQR-Lbm12-oocS*<sup>C</sup> – Upstream fusion site: NAHVILEE, downstream fusion site: NAHVILEE. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z* value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S40** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD-oocQR-Lbm11-oocS*C. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z* value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S41** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD-oocQR-Pks5-oocS*C. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z*  value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S42** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD-oocQR-Tar10-oocS*C. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z*  value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S43** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD-oocQR-Tar13-oocS*C. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z*  value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S44** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD-oocQR-Lcn13-oocS*C. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z*  value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S45** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD-oocQR-Lcn24-oocS*C. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z*  value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S46** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR pBAD-oocQR-Lcn1-oocS*C. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z*  value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S47** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 ΔoocQR + oocQR-Tar11-oocS<sub>c</sub>. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z*  value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S48** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD-oocQR-Gyn3-oocS*C. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z*  value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S49** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD-oocQR-Lcn6-oocS*C. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z*  value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S50** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD-oocQR-Lbm11*DH-KR-ACP-KS*-oocS*C. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z* value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S51** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD-oocQR-Pks5*DH-KR-ACP-KS*-oocS*C. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z* value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.



**Figure S52** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 Δ*oocQR* + *pBAD-oocQR-Lbm9-oocS*C. The *m/z* values of proton and ammonium adducts are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z*  value. The shaded areas indicate the consensus retention time for the compounds with corresponding color coding.

**Table S15** Relative titers of oocydins **1**-**5** produced by the various *Serratia plymuthica* strains presented in Fig. 2-4 in the main text. Relative titers are calculated as fractions by dividing the integrated intensity of the respective shaded peaks in Figs. S27-S52 by the integrated intensity of the oocydin A peak detected in the *S. plymuthica* 4Rx13 wild type extract.





**Figure S53** Verification of *Gynuella sunshinyii* deletion mutants. (**A**) Schematic representation of binding sites for primers GS27-GS34 (Table S10) in the wild-type strain *lcn* BGC (shown at the protein level. (**B**) Agarose gel of PCRs verifying the deletion in the seven different *G. sunshinyii* mutants mentioned on top. Deletion of exchange units incorporating KSs (EXU) 14-15 (GS27, GS28): 1.2 kbp instead of 9.4 kbp in the wild type; deletion of (EXU) 17-24 (GS29, GS30): 1.2 kbp instead of 36.4 kbp in the wild type; deletion of (EXU) 21-22 (GS33, GS34): 1.2 kbp instead of 8.7 kbp in the wild type; deletion of (EXU)20-23 (GS31, GS33): 1.2 kbp instead of 16.4 kbp in the wild type. Expected PCR product sizes (in bp) are shown in white. PCR bands were purified and sequenced confirming fusion at the designed site.



**Figure S54** Lacunalides are biosynthesized by five *trans*-AT PKS proteins with a total of 25 modules. The incoming substrate's  $\alpha$ -β region is mentioned above each KS.  $\alpha$ /β: location relative to the thioester; (L/D): configuration relative to the thioester; OH: hydroxy group; Me: methyl group; DB: double bond; red: fully reduced α/β region. Insets: To generate functional truncated PKSs, a series of domains after a KSs accepting an intermediate type (eg. KS13: β(D)OH for Δ*lcn*14-15) up to a KS with the same intermediate type (eg. KS15: β(D)OH for Δ*lcn*14- 15) were deleted. The LPTYPFx<sub>5</sub>W motif was used as a fusion site (scissors). Exchange units deleted in the respective mutants are shown in grey. In all mutants the intermediate processed by the KS upstream of the fusion site (black on the left-hand side) is identical to that in the wild

type (grey). Deleting domain series spanning multiple proteins resulted in protein fusions (eg. LcnB fused to LcnC in the Δ*lcn*14-15 mutant).



**Extracted ion chromatograms for 6-21 of cultures of** *Gynuella sunshinyii* **mutants**

**Figure S55** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of wild type *G. sunshinyii* YC6258. The *m/z* values of proton adducts of respective compounds are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z* value.



**Figure S56** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *G. sunshinyii*  YC6258 Δ*lcn*14-15. The *m/z* values of proton adducts of respective compounds are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z* value.



**Figure S57** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *G. sunshinyii*  YC6258 Δ*lcn*21-22. The *m/z* values of proton adducts of respective compounds are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z* value.



**Figure S58** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *G. sunshinyii*  YC6258 Δ*lcn*20-23. The *m/z* values of proton adducts of respective compounds are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z* value.



**Figure S59** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *G. sunshinyii*  YC6258 Δ*lcn*17-24. The *m/z* values of proton adducts of respective compounds are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z* value.



**Figure S60** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *G. sunshinyii*  YC6258 Δ*lcn*14-15, Δ*lcn*21-22. The *m/z* values of proton adducts of respective compounds are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z*  value.



**Figure S61** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *G. sunshinyii*  YC6258 Δ*lcn*14-15, Δ*lcn*20-23. The *m/z* values of proton adducts of respective compounds are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z*  value.



**Figure S62** Extracted ion chromatograms of an expression culture extract of *G. sunshinyii*  YC6258 Δ*lcn*14-15, Δ*lcn*17-24. The *m/z* values of proton adducts of respective compounds are indicated in the legend of each subplot, with the maximum intensity detected for each *m/z*  value.

**Table S16** Relative titers of the lacunalides **6**-**21** produced by the various *Gynuella sunshinyii*  strains presented in Fig. 5 in the main text. Relative titers are calculated as fractions by dividing the integrated intensity of the respective shaded peaks in Figs. S55-S62 by the integrated intensity of the lacunalide A peak detected in the *G. sunshinyii* wild type extract.





**Figure S63** HPLC-HESI-HRMS/MS fragmentation patterns of lacunalide A (**6**) and truncated lacunalides (**8**, **10**, **12**, **14**, **16**, **18**, **20**) obtained during HPLC-MS measurements of extracts of expression cultures of the mutant indicated in the respective graphs. The retention time and experimental *m*/*z* value of the fragmented ion is indicated. The highly similar fragmentation patterns across a wide *m*/*z* ratio suggests chemical relatedness.





Lacunalide B (7) and truncated lacunalides 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21

**Figure S64** HPLC-HESI-HRMS/MS fragmentation patterns of lacunalide A (**7**) and truncated lacunalides (**9**, **11**, **13**, **15**, **17**, **19**, **21**) obtained during HPLC-MS measurements of extracts of expression cultures of the mutant indicated in the respective graphs. The retention time and experimental *m*/*z* value of the fragmented ion is indicated. The highly similar fragmentation patterns across a wide *m*/*z* ratio suggests chemical relatedness. For **19**, no peak was observed and hence no  $MS<sup>2</sup>$  spectrum is given.



**Figure S65** LC-MS analysis of purified lacunalide C (**8**). Top: Base peak full MS and extracted ion chromatogram (*m/z* 899.6520 ± 5 ppm) of purified natural product. Bottom: MS and MS/MS fragmentation spectra of **8**.



**Figure S67** HSQC spectrum of 8 in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz).



**Figure S68** COSY spectrum of 8 in methanol- $d_4$  ( $^1$ H 600 MHz,  $^{13}$ C 151 MHz).



**Figure S69** HMBC spectrum of 8 in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz, <sup>13</sup>C 151 MHz).



**Figure S71** Overlay of <sup>1</sup>H spectra of **7** (bottom, (60)) and **8** (top).



**Figure S72** Structural assignment of **8** and **9**. Due to overlapping signals not all carbons could be structurally assigned.



**Figure S73** LC-MS analysis of purified **9**. Top: Base peak full MS and extracted ion chromatogram (*m/z* 885.6359 ± 5 ppm) of purified natural product. Bottom: MS and MS/MS fragmentation spectra of **9**.



**Figure S74**<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **9** in methanol-d<sub>4</sub> (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz).



**Figure S75** HSQC spectrum of 9 in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz).



**Figure S76** COSY spectrum of 9 in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz, <sup>13</sup>C 151 MHz).



**Figure S77** HMBC spectrum of 9 in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz, <sup>13</sup>C 151 MHz).


**Figure S78**<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **9** in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>13</sup>C 151 MHz).



**Figure S79** Comparison of <sup>1</sup>H spectra of **6** with isolated compounds **8**, **9**, **10**+**11**, **12**, **14**, **16**, **18**, **20**+**21** (top to bottom). The number of methanetriyl groups connected to oxygens in the region of 3.5 to 4.1 ppm differs based on how much of the lacunalide PKS is deleted (Figure 5).



**Figure S80** Structural assignment of **10**+**11**. Due to overlapping signals not all carbons could be structurally assigned.



**Figure S81** LC-MS analysis of purified **10**+**11**. Top: Base peak full MS and extracted ion chromatogram (*m/z* 883.6505 and 869.6349 ± 5 ppm) of purified natural product. Bottom: MS and MS/MS fragmentation spectra of **10**+**11**.



**Figure S82**<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of  $10+11$  in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz).



**Figure S83** HSQC spectrum of  $10+11$  in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz).



**Figure S84** COSY spectrum of  $10+11$  in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz, <sup>13</sup>C 151 MHz).



**Figure S85** HMBC spectrum of  $10+11$  in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz, <sup>13</sup>C 151 MHz).



**Figure S86**<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **10+11** in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>13</sup>C 151 MHz).





**Figure S87** Structural assignment of **12**. Due to overlapping signals not all carbons could be structurally assigned.



**Figure S88** LC-MS analysis of purified **12**. Top: Base peak full MS and extracted ion chromatogram (*m/z* 795.5981 ± 5 ppm) of purified natural product. Bottom: MS and MS/MS fragmentation spectra of **12**.



**Figure S89** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **12** in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz).



**Figure S90** HSQC spectrum of  $12$  in methanol- $d_4$  ( $^1$ H 600 MHz).



**Figure S92** HMBC spectrum of 12 in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz, <sup>13</sup>C 151 MHz).



**Figure S94** Structural assignment of **14**. Due to overlapping signals not all carbons could be structurally assigned.



**Figure S95** LC-MS analysis of purified **14**. Top: Base peak full MS and extracted ion chromatogram (*m/z* 609.4725 ± 5 ppm) of purified natural product. Bottom: MS and MS/MS fragmentation spectra of **14**.



**Figure S96**<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **14** in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz).



**Figure S97** HSQC spectrum of 14 in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz).



**Figure S99** HMBC spectrum of 14 in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz, <sup>13</sup>C 151 MHz).



**Figure S101** Structural assignment of **16**. Due to overlapping signals not all carbons could be structurally assigned.



**Figure S102** LC-MS analysis of purified **16**. Top: Base peak full MS and extracted ion chromatogram (*m/z* 811.5930 ± 5 ppm) of purified natural product. Bottom: MS and MS/MS fragmentation spectra of **16**.



**Figure S103** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **16** in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz).



**Figure S104** HSQC spectrum of 16 in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz).



**Figure S106** HMBC spectrum of 16 in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz, <sup>13</sup>C 151 MHz).



**Figure S107**<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **16** in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>13</sup>C 151 MHz).





**Figure S108** Structural assignment of **18**. Due to overlapping signals not all carbons could be structurally assigned.



**Figure S109** LC-MS analysis of purified **18**. Top: Base peak full MS and extracted ion chromatogram (*m/z* 537.4158 ± 5 ppm) of purified natural product. Bottom: MS and MS/MS fragmentation spectra of **18**.





**Figure S111** HSQC spectrum of 18 in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz).



**Figure S113** HMBC spectrum of 18 in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz, <sup>13</sup>C 151 MHz).



**Figure S114**<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **18** in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>13</sup>C 151 MHz).





**Figure S115** Structural assignment of **20**+**21**. Due to overlapping signals not all carbons could be structurally assigned.



**Figure S116** LC-MS analysis of purified **20**+**21**. Top: Base peak full MS and extracted ion chromatogram (*m/z* 723.5406 and *m/z* 709.5239 ± 5 ppm) of purified natural product. Bottom: MS and MS/MS fragmentation spectra of **20+21**.



**Figure S118** HSQC spectrum of  $20 + 21$  in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz).



**Figure S120** HMBC spectrum of  $20 + 21$  in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>1</sup>H 600 MHz, <sup>13</sup>C 151 MHz).



**Figure S121**<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **20** + **21** in methanol- $d_4$  (<sup>13</sup>C 151 MHz).



**Figure S122** Bioactivity of isolated compounds against HeLa human cervical cancer cells. Cells were treated with different concentrations of compounds **8**-**21** in triplicates. From the data measured in an MTT assay after three days of incubation, the  $IC_{50}$ -values were calculated: Compound 8:  $IC_{50} = 15.0 \mu M$ ,  $R^2 = 0.971$ . Compound 9:  $IC_{50} = 0.4 \mu M$ ,  $R^2 = 0.997$ . Compounds **10+11**:  $IC_{50} = 3.7 \mu M$ ,  $R^2 = 0.959$ . Compound **12**:  $IC_{50} = 1.9 \mu M$ ,  $R^2 = 0.984$ - Compound **14**:  $IC_{50}$  $= 1.6 \mu M$ ,  $R^2 = 0.999$ . Compound **16**: IC<sub>50</sub> = 4.1  $\mu$ M,  $R^2 = 0.987$ . Compound **18**: IC<sub>50</sub> = 1.3  $\mu$ M,  $R^2$  = 0.999. Compound **20+21**: IC<sub>50,</sub> = 3.3  $\mu$ M,  $R^2$  = 0.988. The curves were fit with a least squares regression using a four-parameter logistic function. For the fit, outliers were eliminated using a ROUT coefficient Q=1% in GraphPad Prism 9.0.2 (GraphPad Software). The NMR determined ratio of the mixtures **10**+**11** (8:2 ratio; effective MW 880.4526 g/mol) and **20**+**21** (7:3 ratio; effective MW 718.8369 g/mol) was used to calculate the effective molecular weight. Lacunalide A (**6**) has an IC<sup>50</sup> of 1 µM (*51*).



**Table S17** Purification of lacunalides from different *G*. *sunshinyii* mutants. All solvents contained 0.1 vol% formic acid.

Table S18 NMR data for compounds 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, and 21. Carbons missing in the deletion mutants are highlighted in gray. The positions of each proton ID can be found in the structural assignment figure of each compound, which is indicated in the column header. In the multiplicity column, the *J*-coupling of the peak in Hz is indicated in brackets. Ovlp. Indicates overlapping peaks. N.A. is not assigned.

6, structural assignment: Fig. S54				8, structural assignment: Fig. S72				9, structural assignment: Fig. S72				10, structural assignment: Fig. S80			
ID	$\mathbf c$	H	Multi- plicity	ID	$\mathbf c$	H	Multi- plicity	ID	$\mathbf{C}$	H	Multi- plicity	ID	$\mathbf{C}$	H	Multi- plicity
$\mathbf{1}$	168.9			$\mathbf 1$	168.9			$\mathbf 1$	168.9	$\blacksquare$		$\mathbf{1}$	168.9	$\blacksquare$	
$\overline{2}$	117.1	5.81	d(15.7)	$\overline{2}$	117.1	5.80	d(15.7)	$\overline{2}$	117.0	5.80	d(15.7)	$\overline{c}$	117.0	5.81	d (15.7)
3	150.8	7.32	d(15.7)	3	150.8	7.31	d(15.7)	3	150.7	7.31	d(15.7)	3	150.9	7.32	d (15.7)
4	135.7			4	135.7	$\blacksquare$		4	135.7	$\blacksquare$		4	135.5	$\blacksquare$	
5	139.4	6.04	t(7.3)	5	139.3	6.04	t(7.3)	5	139.2	6.04	t(7.4)	5	139.9	6.06	t(7.1)
6	38.3	2.44	m	6	38.5	2.45	m	6	38.3	2.45	m	6	38.5	2.42	
$\overline{7}$	68.9	3.98	m	$\overline{7}$	68.8	4.00	m	$\overline{7}$	68.8	4.00	m	$\overline{7}$	69.0	3.97	
8	45.6	1.56	ovlp.	8	46.5	1.53	ovlp.	8	45.7	1.53	ovlp.	8	45.9	1.56	
9	66.5	4.09	ovlp.	9	66.6	$4.03 -$ 4.09	ovlp.	$\boldsymbol{9}$	66.6	$4.03 -$ 4.09	ovlp.	9	66.4	4.09	
10	45.6	1.58	ovlp.	10	N.A.			10	N.A.						
11	66.5	4.07	ovlp.	11	N.A.			11	N.A.						
12	46.5	1.58	ovlp.	12	N.A.			12	N.A.						
13	66.5	4.07	ovlp.	13	N.A.			13	N.A.						
14	46.5	1.58	ovlp.	14	N.A.			14	N.A.			10	46.8	1.54	
15	66.5	4.07	ovlp.	15	66.6	$4.03 -$ 4.09	ovlp.	15	66.6	$4.03 -$ 4.09	ovlp.	11	66.5	4.06	
16	39.7	1.48	ovlp.	16	39.4	$1.35 -$ 1.55	ovlp.	16	40.8	1.52		12	39.9	1.48	
17	69.7	3.8	m	17	69.6	3.80	m	17	70.6	3.93		13	69.8	3.80	
18	43.0	1.87	m	18	43.1	1.89	s	18	45.7	1.72	ovlp.	14	43.2	1.87	
19	80.7	3.81	d(8.3)	19	81.2	3.76	d(8.7)	19	76.0	4.00		15	80.6	3.83	
20	138.9			20	138.9			20	134.8	5.56	dd (7.4, 15.5)	16	138.9	$\overline{\phantom{a}}$	


























Compound	MS	<b>MS/MS</b>	1H-NMR	13C-NMR	<b>COSY</b>	<b>HMBC</b>	<b>HSQC</b>
1	X						
$\overline{2}$	X		X	X	X	X	X
3	X		X	X	X	X	$\pmb{\mathsf{X}}$
$\overline{\mathbf{4}}$	X						
5	X						
6	X	X					
7	X	X					
8	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
9	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
10	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
11	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
12	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
13	X	X					
14	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
15	X	X					
16	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
17	X	X					
18	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
19	X	X					
20	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
21	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

**Table S19** Overview of characterization methods used for the characterization of compounds -**21**.

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