# **Supplementary Information**

Kistamicin biosynthesis reveals the biosynthetic requirements for production of highly active crosslinked glycopeptide antibiotics

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#### **Supplementary Figures**



#### Supplementary Figure 1. Kistamicin biosynthetic gene cluster from Actinomadura parvosata

(A) The kistamicin biosynthetic gene cluster from *Actinomadura parvosata* subsp. *kistnae* (*Nono-muraea* sp. ATCC55076) spans around 60 kb and habours four genes (arrows) that encode a non-ribosomal peptide synthetase (orange), an MbtH protein (purple), non-proteinogenic amino acids 4-hydroxyphenylglycine (Hpg, red) and 3,5-dihydroxyphenylglycine (Dpg, yellow), two Cytochrome P450 encoding genes – *oxyA* and *oxyC* (pink), a gene encoding a FAD-type halogenase (green) as well as several transporter genes (blue), two genes code for a two-component system supposed to be involved in regulation of resistance gene expression, three genes encode regulatory proteins belonging to StrR-, LuxR-, and GntR families, respectively (light grey), other functions (dark grey) as well as genes with unknown functions (white). (B) The kistamicin NRPS is comprised of seven modules (module 1-7) that are further subdived into domains (circles) responsible for all catalytic steps involved in formation of the linear heptapeptide precursor. The Oxy enzmes interact with the X domain (pink) found in the last module of the NRPS and catalyse three crosslinking reactions, leading to the final structure of kistamicin. NRPS domain key: A, adenylation domain; C, condensation domain; E, epimerisation domain; PCP, peptidyl carrier protein; TE, thioesterase; X, Oxy recruiting domain.



Supplementary Figure 2. Phylogenetic tree of different Oxy enzymes involved in GPA biosynthesis

The protein sequences of the Oxy enyzmes found within the biosynthetic gene clusters of the glycopeptide antibiotics kistamicin (kis), complestatin (com), vancomycin (van), teicoplanin (tei), balhimycin (bal), A47934 (sta), A40926 (dbv), ristomycin/ ristocetin (ris) and chloroeremomycin (cep) were aligned using Muscle<sup>1</sup> before RaxML<sup>2</sup> was used to generate the maximum likelihood phylogeny. Oxy enzymes catalysing similar reactions are evolutionary related to each other and are classified as OxyA, OxyB, OxyC or OxyE enzymes. The kistamicin Oxy enzymes (red) separate (along with the homologous Oxy enyzmes from complestatin biosynthesis) very early within their respective Oxy grouping.



#### Supplementary Figure 3. Phylogenetic tree of the condensation domains from GPA biosynthesis

The protein sequences of the C-domains contained within the NRPS machinery of the glycopeptide antibiotics kistamicin (kis), complestatin (com), vancomycin (van), teicoplanin (tei), balhimycin (bal), A47934 (sta), A40926 (dbv), ristomycin (ris) and chloroeremomycin (cep) were aligned using Muscle<sup>1</sup> before RaxML<sup>2</sup> was used to generate the maximum likelihood phylogeny. Results show that the C-domains cluster within the modules of the NRPS in which they are found (with the exception of modules 3 from the vancomycin and balhimycin clusters), with the complestatin and kistamicin (red) C-domains branching the earliest within each clade.



**Supplementary Figure 4. Numbering of atoms within kistamicin.** Shows the structure of kistamicin with numbering that is used to identify the signals within the NMR data









**Supplementary Figure 5. HMBC correlations observed in the structure of kistamicin.** Each ring (A-G) within the kistamicin structure showing the HMBC correlations identified.



Supplementary Figure 6. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra for kistamicin



Supplementary Figure 7. Expanded <sup>1</sup>H NMR trace for kistamicin (4.7 – 10.2 ppm)



Supplementary Figure 8. <sup>13</sup>C NMR trace for kistamicin



Supplementary Figure 9. Expanded <sup>13</sup>C NMR trace for kistamicin (90 – 190 ppm)



Supplementary Figure 10. Expanded <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra for kistamicin (54 – 62 ppm)



Supplementary Figure 11. HSQC spectra for kistamicin



#### Supplementary Figure 12. Schematic representation of the kisN (oxyA) deletion strategy

The 1.5 kb upstream and downstream fragments of *kisN* (*oxyA*) gene were cloned into pGUSA21 vector. The 1<sup>st</sup> crossover occurrence relies on homologous recombination of the plasmid pGUSA21\_*kisN*-up\_down. The selection of mutants where the plasmid is integrated into the chromosome occurs on apramycin and X-gluc (5-bromo-4-chloro-1*H*-indol-3-yl  $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosid-uronic acid; blue colonies) containing plates. The 2<sup>nd</sup> crossover causes the disintegration of the plasmid and eventually the deletion of *kisN*. It can be provoked by exposing the cells to stress (e.g. formation of protoplasts, cultivation at 39 °C). The occurrence of the 2<sup>nd</sup> crossover is proven by X-gluc selection (red colonies) (Supplementary Figure 13A) and PCR analyses (Supplementary Figure 14). The same procedure was applied for deletion of *kisO* gene (Supplementary Figure 13B and Supplementary Figure 16).



#### Supplementary Figure 13. Screening of Actinomadura parvosata mutants

Growth of Actinomadura parvosata subsp. kistnae\_pGUSA21\_kisN-up\_down and A. parvosata subsp. kistnae\_pGUSA21\_kisO-up\_down protoplasts and X-gluc (5-bromo-4-chloro-1H-indol-3-yl-Beta-D-glucuronic acid) screening for deletion mutants A. parvosata  $\Delta kisN$  (A) and A. parvosata  $\Delta kisO$  (B) on R5 agar plates ( $\emptyset$ 10 cm) overlaid with 20 mM X-gluc.



#### Supplementary Figure 14. PCR Analysis for verification of the in-frame deletion of kisN

The in-frame deletion was confirmed for two Actinomadura parvosata  $\Delta kisN$  mutants. (A) lane 1: Marker, 1 kb ladder; lane 2 and 3: A. parvosata\_ $\Delta kisN$  DNA: no amplicon for kisN gene; lane 4: wild type DNA: amplification of a 1172 bp fragment. The primer pair kisN-Ndel-Fw/kisN-HindIII-Rv was used. (B) lane 1: Marker, 1 kb ladder; lane 2 and 3: A. parvosata\_ $\Delta kisN$  DNA: no amplicon; lane 4: H<sub>2</sub>O; lane 5: wild type DNA: amplification of a 2500 bp fragment. In all cases, the primer pair Delta kisN Fw/ Delta kisN-Rv was used. (C) lane 1: Marker, 1 kb ladder; lane 2 and 3: A. parvosata\_ $\Delta kisN$  DNA amplification of a 3553 bp fragment; lane 4: wild type DNA: amplification of a 4708 bp fragment. The primer pair Delta kisN Fw/kisO-Xbal-Rv was used. Primers are listed in Supplementary Table 3.



#### Supplementary Figure 15. PCR-Verification of kisN-complementation

The integration of pRM4.2\_kisN-plasmid was confirmed for two *A. parvosata* pRM4.2\_kisN complemented mutants. (A) lane 1 Marker, 1 kb ladder; lane 2 and 3: DNA of *A. parvosata* pRM4.2\_kisN complemented mutants 1 and 2: amplification of a 1336 bp fragment, lane 4: pRM4.2\_kisN plasmid DNA: amplification of a 1336 bp fragment: In all cases, the primer pair pRM4SeqFw/pRM4SeqRv was used. (B) lane 1: Marker, 1 kb ladder; lane 2 and 3: DNA of *A. parvosata* pRM4.2\_kisN complemented mutants 1 and 2: amplification of a 1376 bp fragment; lane 4: pRM4SeqFw/pRM4SeqRv was used. (B) lane 1: Marker, 1 kb ladder; lane 2 and 3: DNA of *A. parvosata* pRM4.2\_kisN complemented mutants 1 and 2: amplification of a 1172 bp fragment; lane 4: *A. parvosata* wild type DNA: amplification of a 1172 bp fragment. The primer pair kisN-Ndel-Fw/kisN-HindIII-Rv was used. Primers are listed in Supplementary Table 3.



#### Supplementary Figure 16. PCR Analysis for verification of the in-frame deletion of kisO

The in-frame deletion was confirmed for one *Actinomadura parvosata\_AkisO* mutant. (A) lane 1: Marker, 1 kb ladder; lane 2: *A.\_AkisO* DNA: no amplicon for *kisO* gene; lane 3: wild type DNA: amplification of a 1301 bp fragment. In all cases, the primer pair kisO-HindIII-Fw / kisO-XbaI-Rv was used. (B) lane 1: Marker, 1 kb ladder; lane 2: *A. parvosata\_AkisO* DNA: no amplicon; lane 3: wild type DNA: amplification of a 2800 bp fragment. The primer pair Delta kisO Fw/ Delta kisO-Rv was used. Primers are listed in Supplementary Table 3.



#### Supplementary Figure 17. Production of kistamicin in the Actinomadura parvosata mutants

Two different mutants (1 + 2) of Actinomadura parvosata  $\Delta kisN$  and the complemented mutant  $\Delta kisN + kisN$  (1+2) were extracted and analysed by HRMS. The specific kistamicin A (1171.3225 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>) metabolite and its isotopic peaks from different producer strains were analysed. Isotopic patterns are important to identify the correct kistamicin species. The purple colour indicates the [M+H]<sup>+</sup> isotope, with other colours represent different isotopes (blue -1, red +1, orange +2, cyan +3, green +4), respectively. (A) Extracted ion chromatogram of the respective compound in the different mutants. (B) Integrated peak areas of the respective compound peak in comparison to the expected (calculated) isotope contribution between 36 – 48 min; this is normalised to the intensity of the highest intensity peak in the different strains for comparison. (C) Retention times of the respective kistamicin intermediates and the peak width of these species; black lines indicate indicate retention times where these ions were at their maximum intensity within the total peak width. The deletion of *kisN* lead to the loss of kistamicin in the *Actinomadura parvosata*  $\Delta kisN$  mutants, which is then restored through complementation of these mutants with a plasmid containing the *kisN* gene.



Supplementary Figure 18. Production of kistamicin intermediates in A. parvosata \Delta kisN

(A) Extracted ion chromatograms for kistamicin A, 1171.3235  $[M+H]^+$  (black); bicyclic heptapeptide, 1173.3392  $[M+H]^+$  (red); monocyclic heptapeptide, 1175.3548  $[M+H]^+$  (green); linear heptapeptide, 1177.3705  $[M+H]^+$  (blue) with 5 ppm tolerance; (B) HRMS spectrum of of detected monocyclic heptapeptide 1175.3548  $[M+H]^+$  with 0.3 ppm mass error.



Supplementary Figure 19. Production of kistamicin intermediates in *A. parvosata* ΔkisN + kisN

(A) Extracted ion chromatograms for kistamicin A, 1171.3235  $[M+H]^+$  (black); bicyclic heptapeptide, 1173.3392  $[M+H]^+$  (red); monocyclic heptapeptide, 1175.3548  $[M+H]^+$  (green); linear heptapeptide, 1177.3705  $[M+H]^+$  (blue) with 5 ppm tolerance. (B) HRMS spectrum of detected fully cyclised kistamicin with a mass of 1171.3235  $[M+H]^+$  with 0.9 ppm mass error. (C) Close up and (D) highly zoomed views of the HRMS spectrum of monocyclic kistamicin: this has a mass of 1175.3548  $[M+H]^+$  with mass error of 3.3 ppm, indicating that the complemented mutant fully restored kistamicin cyclisation.



#### Supplementary Figure 20. Production of kistamicin monocyclic (C-O-D) heptapeptide

Two different mutants (1 + 2) of *Actinomadura parvosata*  $\Delta kisN$  and the complemented mutant  $\Delta kisN + kisN$  (1+2) were extracted and analysed by HRMS. The kistamicin monocyclic heptapeptide 1175.3548 [M+H]<sup>+</sup> and its isotopic peaks from different producer strains were analysed. Isotopic patterns are important to identify the correct kistamicin species. The purple colour indicates the [M+H]<sup>+</sup> isotope, with other colours represent different isotopes (blue -1, red +1, orange +2, cyan +3, green +4), respectively. (A) Extracted ion chromatogram of the respective compound in the different mutants. (B) Integrated peak areas of the respective compound peak in comparison to the expected (calculated) isotope contribution between 42 – 46 min; this is normalised to the intensity of the highest intensity peak in the different strains for comparison. (C) Retention times of the respective kistamicin intermediates and the peak width of these species; black lines indicate indicate retention times where these ions were at their maximum intensity within the total peak width. The monocyclic heptapeptide is present in significant amounts in the *Actinomadura parvosata*  $\Delta kisN$  mutants. Complementation of these mutants with a plasmid containing the *kisN* gene then leads to a large reduction of this intermediate that is explained by the functional biosynthetic route in this case leading to production of kistamicin A.



Supplementary Figure 21. MSMS spectrum of monocyclic heptapeptide of A. parvosata AkisN

The Actinomadura parvosata  $\Delta kisN$  mutant produces a monocyclic heptapeptide with a Hpg4-Tyr6 crosslink, as observed by the presence of a crosslink on the internal ion, Hpg4-Tyr6 (hcY). (A) MSMS spectrum of monocyclic heptapeptide with a mass of 1175.3548 [M+H]+. (B) Structure of fragment hcY^ (mass 494.1113 Da) identified in the spectrum that indicates the crosslink is found between Hpg4-Tyr6 in the monocyclic heptapeptide of Actinomadura parvosata  $\Delta kisN$  mutant. Symbols: Y tyrosine; W tryptophan; h Hpg; d Dpg; c chloroHpg; # CO loss; \* NH<sub>3</sub> loss; ^ crosslink (H<sub>2</sub> loss); The b ions extend from the N-terminus, and y ions extend from C-terminus. Fragmentation ions follow standard nomenclature for such experiments, see <sup>3,4</sup>.



#### Supplementary Figure 22. Production of kistamicin monocyclic 1-6 hexapeptide (C-O-D)

Two different mutants (1 + 2) of *Actinomadura parvosata*  $\Delta kisN$  and the complemented mutant  $\Delta kisN + kisN$  (1+2) were extracted and analysed by HRMS. The kistamicin monocyclic hexapeptide (1026.3071 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>) and its isotopic peaks from different producer strains were analysed. Isotopic patterns are important to identify the correct kistamicin species. The purple colour indicates the [M+H]<sup>+</sup> isotope, with other colours represent different isotopes (blue -1, red +1, orange +2, cyan +3, green +4), respectively. (A) Extracted ion chromatogram of the respective compound in the different mutants. (B) Integrated peak areas of the respective compound peak in comparison to the expected (calculated) isotope contribution between 40 – 45 min; this is normalised to the intensity of the highest intensity peak in the different strains for comparison. (C) Retention times of the respective kistamicin intermediates and the peak width of these species; black lines indicate indicate retention times where these ions were at their maximum intensity within the total peak width. The monocyclic (C-*O*-D) hexapeptide is present in significant amounts in the *Actinomadura parvosata*  $\Delta kisN$  mutants. Complementation of these mutants with a plasmid containing the *kisN* gene then leads to a large reduction of kistamicin A.



#### Supplementary Figure 23. MSMS spectrum of monocyclic hexapeptide 1-6 of *A.parvosata* Δ*kisN*

The Actinomadura parvosata  $\Delta kisN$  mutant produces a monocyclic hexapeptide 1-6 with an Hpg4-Tyr6 crosslink, characterised by the presence of intact y3 to y5 and the absence of y2. Additionally, y3 can lose the chloroHpg at position 5 together with a CO group. (A) MSMS spectrum of the monocyclic hexapeptide with a mass of 1026.3071 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>. (B) HRMS and (D) chemical structure of fragment y3#^-c (mass 301.1183 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>). (C) HRMS and (E) chemical structure of fragment y4#\*^-c (mass 449.1343 Da). Both fragments indicate that the crosslink is between Hpg4-Tyr6 in the monocyclic hexapeptide of Actinomadura parvosata  $\Delta kisN$  mutant. Symbols: Y tyrosine; W tryptophan; h Hpg; d Dpg; c chloroHpg; # CO loss; \* NH<sub>3</sub> loss; ^ crosslink (H<sub>2</sub> loss); The b ions extend from the N-terminus, and y ions extend from C-terminus. Fragmentation ions follow standard nomenclature for such experiments, see <sup>3,4</sup>.



#### Supplementary Figure 24. Production of kistamicin bicyclic hexapeptide 1-6

Two different mutants (1 + 2) of Actinomadura parvosata  $\Delta kisN$  and the complemented mutant  $\Delta kisN$  + kisN (1+2) were extracted and analysed by HRMS. The kistamicin bicyclic hexapeptide (1024.2915 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>) and its isotopic peaks from different producer strains were analysed. Isotopic patterns are important to identify the correct kistamicin species. The purple colour indicates the [M+H]<sup>+</sup> isotope, with other colours represent different isotopes (blue -1, red +1, orange +2, cyan +3, green +4), respectively. (A) Extracted ion chromatogram of the respective compound in the different mutants. (B) Integrated peak areas of the respective compound peak in comparison to the expected (calculated) isotope contribution between 39 – 45 min; this is normalised to the intensity of the highest intensity peak in the different strains for comparison. (C) Retention times of the respective kistamicin intermediates and the peak width of these species. The bicyclic hexapeptide is present in significant amounts in the Actinomadura parvosata  $\Delta kisN$  mutants. Complementation of these mutants with a plasmid containing the *kisN* gene then leads to a large reduction of this intermediate that is explained by the functional biosynthetic route in this case leading to production of kistamicin A.



Supplementary Figure 25. Production of bicyclic hexapeptide in Actinomadura parvosata  $\Delta kisN$ (A) Extracted ion chromatograms for bicyclic kistamicin hexapeptide (1-6) 1024.2915 [M+H]<sup>+</sup> (black), monocyclic hexapeptide 1026.3071 [M+H]<sup>+</sup> (red) and linear hexapeptide 1028.3228 [M+H]<sup>+</sup> (green) with 5 ppm tolerance from the Actinomadura parvosata  $\Delta kisN$  mutant. The mutant produces several bicyclic hexapeptides 1-6, indicated by several peaks with the mass of 1024.2915 [M+H]<sup>+</sup> shown in black. The HRMS spectrum of (B) monocyclic hexapeptide at 43.9 min and (C) bicyclic hexapeptide at 42.28 min.



Supplementary Figure 26. MSMS spectrum of one bicyclic hexapeptide in A. parvosata \DeltakisN

The Actinomadura parvosata  $\Delta kisN$  mutant produces several bicyclic hexapeptides 1-6 as shown in Supplementary Figure 25. (A) MSMS spectrum of the bicyclic hexapeptide at 40.92 min. It demonstrates a Tyr1-Trp2 and Hpg4-Tyr6 crosslinks. The Hpg4-Tyr6 crosslink is characterised by the presence of intact y3 and y4 with crosslinks and the absence of y2. Additionally, y3 and y4 can lose the chloroHpg at position 5 together with a CO (and NH<sub>3</sub>) group. The fragmentation pattern shows again the m/z: y3#^-c = 301.1183 (B) and y4#\*^-c = 449.1343 (C) like in the monocyclic hexapepetide (see Supplementary Figure 23). The presence of a b2 ion with a crosslink (b2^) and related ions confirms the crosslink occurs within the N-terminal two residues (Tyr1-Trp2). Fragment b2^ indicates the presence of a crosslink between Tyr1-Trp2 in the one of the bicyclic forms of the hexapeptide produced by the Actinomadura parvosata  $\Delta kisN$  mutant; the exact position of the crosslink is not clear. MSMS of other bicyclic species indicate the common presence of Tyr1 in these different links, including Tyr1-Dpg3 (data not shown). (D) Chemical structure of b2^. Symbols: Y tyrosine; W tryptophan; h Hpg; d Dpg; c chloroHpg; # CO loss; \* NH<sub>3</sub> loss; ^ crosslink (H<sub>2</sub> loss); The b ions extend from the N-terminus, and y ions extend from C-terminus. Fragmentation ions follow standard nomenclature for such experiments, see <sup>3,4</sup>.



Supplementary Figure 27. Kistamicin with different A-B ring crosslinking containing Hpg-7

Comparison of the potential energies and free energies of the kistamicin 15-membered A-O-B ring relative to those of 13- and 12-membered AB ring analogues. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.

7: Kistamicin native 16-membered C-O-D Ring

8: Kistamicin 14-membered CD ring analogue



#### Supplementary Figure 28. Kistamicin with different C-D ring crosslinking

Comparison of the potential energies and free energies of the kistamicin 16-membered C-O-D ring relative to those of a 14-membered CD ring analogue. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



#### Supplementary Figure 29. Kistamicin with different A-B ring crosslinking containing Dpg-7

Comparison of the potential energies of pekiskomycin (modelled as **9**), containing the native 12membered AB ring, relative to the pekiskomycin analogue **10** containing a 14-membered A-*O*-B ring. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.

11: Diphenyl ether 12: 2-Hydroxybiphenyl





 $E_{\rm rel} = 0$  kcal/mol $E_{\rm rel} = -7.6$  kcal/mol $G_{\rm rel} = 0$  kcal/mol $G_{\rm rel} = -6.3$  kcal/mol

#### Supplementary Figure 30. Diphenyl ether vs. 2-hydroxybiphenyl

Relative potential energies and free energies of diphenyl ether **11** and 2-hydroxybiphenyl **12**. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



#### Supplementary Figure 31. Geometry of the A-O-B ring in kistamicin

Comparison of the geometry of the A-O-B ring in kistamicin relative to the fully relaxed geometry. The substituents on the ether oxygen and  $\alpha$ -carbon have been modelled as hydrogens.



#### Supplementary Figure 32. Structural comparisons of the $OxyA_{kis}/X_{kis}$ complex

(A) Overlay of the Oxy enzyme in the OxyA<sub>kis</sub>/X<sub>kis</sub> complex with the OxyB<sub>tei</sub>/X<sub>tei</sub> complex showing only the position of X<sub>tei</sub> relative to the OxyA<sub>kis</sub>/X<sub>kis</sub> complex (X<sub>tei</sub> shown in grey, OxyA<sub>kis</sub>/X<sub>kis</sub> complex coloured as in Figure 3, helices shown as cylinders). (B) Overlay of the X domains from the OxyA<sub>kis</sub>/X<sub>kis</sub> complex and OxyB<sub>tei</sub>/X<sub>tei</sub> complexes (coloured as in panel (A)). (C) Overlay of Oxy homologues on OxyA<sub>kis</sub> structure (OxyA<sub>kis</sub> shown in yellow; from left OxyA<sub>tei</sub> (coloured green), OxyE<sub>tei</sub> (coloured orange), OxyB<sub>tei</sub> (coloured magenta), OxyC<sub>van</sub> (coloured aquamarine)).



#### Supplementary Figure 33. CO spectra of OxyA and OxyC

UV/vis absorption spectra (black) and reduced, CO-complex (red) shown for purified  $OxyA_{kis}$  (A) and  $OxyC_{kis}$  (B). Both proteins are able to be reduced by sodium dithionite treatment that is then subsequently used to generate the reduced CO complex, as is shown by the shift of the absorption maximum from 418 nm to 450 nm.



 $[M-2H]^{2-}$  / 2 = 945.05 Da;  $MW_{calculated}$  = 1892.10 Da

#### Supplementary Figure 34. Synthesised peptide K1-7-CoA

(A) Structure, (B) HPLC chromatogram and (C) MS spectrum of synthesised peptide K1-7-CoA.



[M-2H]<sup>2</sup> / 2 = 687.85 Da; MW<sub>calculated</sub> = 1377.70 Da

#### Supplementary Figure 35. Synthesised peptide K4-7D-CoA

(A) Structure, (B) HPLC chromatogram and (C) MS spectrum of synthesised peptide K4-7D-CoA. In red, the central Hpg residue, which is synthesised in D- and L-form.



 $[M-2H]^{2-}$  / 2 = 687.85 Da;  $MW_{calculated}$  = 1377.70 Da

#### Supplementary Figure 36. Synthesised peptide K4-7L-CoA

(A) Structure, (B) HPLC chromatogram and (C) MS spectrum of synthesised peptide K4-7L-CoA. In red, the central Hpg residue, which is synthesised in D- and L-form.



[M-H]<sup>-</sup> = 1266.30 Da; MW<sub>calculated</sub> = 1267.30 Da [M-2H]<sup>2-</sup> / 2 = 632.80 Da; MW<sub>calculated</sub> = 1267.60 Da

#### Supplementary Figure 37. Synthesised peptide K2-4D-CoA

(A) Structure, (B) HPLC chromatogram and (C) MS spectrum (bottom) of synthesised peptide K2-4D-CoA. In red, the central Hpg residue, which is synthesised in D- and L-form.



#### Supplementary Figure 38. Synthesised peptide K2-4L-CoA

(A) Structure, (B) HPLC chromatogram and (C) MS spectrum (bottom) of synthesised peptide K2-4L-CoA. In red, the central Hpg residue, which is synthesised in D- and L-form.



#### Supplementary Figure 39. Synthesised peptide K3-6-CoA

(A) Structure, (B) HPLC chromatogram and (C) MS spectrum of synthesised peptide K3-6-CoA.



 $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Chemical Formula: } C_{62}\mbox{H}_{33}\mbox{N}_{12}\mbox{O}_{26}\mbox{P}_{3}\mbox{S} \\ \mbox{Exact Mass: } 1526.3693 \\ \mbox{Molecular Weight: } 1527.3053 \end{array}$ 



RT: 15.865 min in a gradient 15-15-45% in ACN (0.1% FA)



 $[M+H]^{+}$  = 1527.95 Da; MW<sub>calculated</sub> = 1527.38 Da  $[M+H]^{2+}/2$  = 764.55 Da; MW<sub>calculated</sub> = 764.19 Da

#### Supplementary Figure 40. Synthesised peptide K3-7-CoA

(A) Structure, (B) HPLC chromatogram and (C) MS spectrum of synthesised peptide K3-7-CoA.



 $[M-2H]^{2-}$  / 2 = 708.18 Da;  $MW_{calculated}$  = 1414.35 Da

#### Supplementary Figure 41. Synthesised peptide K1-4-CoA

(A) Structure, (B) HPLC chromatogram and (C) MS spectrum of synthesised peptide K1-4-CoA.



 $[M-2H]^{2-}$  / 2 = 894.85 Da;  $MW_{calculated}$  = 1791.70 Da

#### Supplementary Figure 42. Synthesised peptide P1-7-CoA

(A) Structure, (B) HPLC chromatogram and (C) MS spectrum of synthesised peptide P1-7-CoA.



#### Supplementary Figure 43. Synthesised peptide T1-7-CoA

(A) Structure, (B) HPLC chromatogram and (C) MS spectrum of synthesised peptide T1-7-CoA.



**Supplementary Figure 44. Overview of extracted ion chromatograms of the Oxy-catalysed turnover** Extracted ions from analysis in positive mode  $[M+H]^+$  of different kistamicin peptides shown with high magnification. Peaks with monocyclic mass are indicated by a pink star, peaks with bicyclic mass by a blue star. \*peaks were subtracted from the calculation because they lie under the main peaks. MA, methylamine, linear mass (black), monocyclic mass (pink), bicyclic mass (blue) and tricyclic mass (green). Enzyme components present in each reaction are indicated adjacent to the Y-axis in each trace within the figure.



Supplementary Figure 45. XIC of the Oxy-catalysed turnover of kistamicin tetrapeptides K4-7D

Extracted ions from analysis in positive mode  $[M+H]^+$  of linear tetrapeptide K4-7D methylamide (MA) with a mass of 642.2 Da (black), monocyclic methylamide product with the mass of 640.2 Da (pink) and bicyclic methylamide product with the mass of 638.2 Da (blue) following methylamine cleavage. Enzyme components present in each reaction are indicated adjacent to the Y-axis in each trace within the figure. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



#### Supplementary Figure 42. XIC of the Oxy-catalysed turnover of kistamicin tetrapeptides K4-7L

Extracted ions from analysis in positive mode [M+H]<sup>+</sup> of linear tetrapeptide K4-7L methylamide (MA) with a mass of 642.2 Da (black), monocyclic methylamide product with the mass of 640.2 Da (pink) and bicyclic methylamide product with the mass of 638.2 Da (blue) following methylamine cleavage. Enzyme components present in each reaction are indicated adjacent to the Y-axis in each trace within the figure. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



Supplementary Figure 47. XIC of the Oxy-catalysed turnover of kistamicin tetrapeptide K3-6

Extracted ions from analysis in positive mode [M+H]<sup>+</sup> of linear tetrapeptide K3-6 methylamide with a mass of 642.2 Da (black), monocyclic methylamide (MA) product with the mass of 640.2 Da (pink) and bicyclic methylamide product with the mass of 638.2 Da (blue) following methylamine cleavage. Enzyme components present in each reaction are indicated adjacent to the Y-axis in each trace within the figure. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



Supplementary Figure 48. XIC of the Oxy-catalysed turnover of kistamicin pentapeptide K3-7

Extracted ions from analysis in positive mode  $[M+H]^+$  of linear pentapeptide K3-7 methylamide with a mass of 791.3 Da (black), monocyclic methylamide (MA) product with the mass of 789.3 Da (pink) and bicyclic methylamide product with the mass of 787.3 Da (blue) following methylamine cleavage. Enzyme components present in each reaction are indicated adjacent to the Y-axis in each trace within the figure. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



#### Supplementary Figure 49. XIC of the Oxy-catalysed turnover of kistamicin hexapeptide K1-6

Extracted ions from analysis in positive mode [M+H]<sup>+</sup> of linear hexapeptide K1-6 methylamide with a mass of 1007.4 Da (blue), monocyclic methylamide (MA) product with the mass of 1005.4 Da (cyan) and bicyclic methylamide product with the mass of 1003.4 Da (green) following methylamine cleavage. Enzyme components present in each reaction are indicated adjacent to the Y-axis in each trace within the figure. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.





Extracted ions from analysis in positive mode  $[M+H]^+$  of the linear heptapeptide K1-7 methylamide (MA) with a mass of 1156.43 Da (black), monocyclic methylamide product with the mass of 1154.42 Da (pink) following methylamine cleavage, bicyclic product with the mass of 1152.40 Da (blue) and tricyclic product with the mass of 1150.39 Da (green). Enzyme components present in each reaction are indicated adjacent to the Y-axis in each trace within the figure. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



Supplementary Figure 51. XIC of the Oxy-catalysed turnover of kistamicin tetrapeptide K1-4

Extracted ions from analysis in positive mode  $[M+H]^+$  of linear tetrapeptide K1-4 methylamide with a mass of 679.29 Da (black), monocyclic methylamide (MA) product with the mass of 677.27 (pink) and bicyclic methylamide product with the mass of 675.26 Da (blue) following methylamine cleavage. Enzyme components present in each reaction are indicated adjacent to the Y-axis in each trace within the figure. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



**Supplementary Figure 52. XIC of the Oxy-catalysed turnover of kistamicin tripeptides K2-4** Extracted ions from analysis in positive mode  $[M+H]^+$  of linear tripeptide methylamide with a mass of 532.21 Da (black) and monocyclic methylamide (MA) product with the mass of 530.2 Da (pink). (A) K2-4D, (B) K2-4L. Enzyme components present in each reaction are indicated adjacent to the Y-axis in each trace within the figure. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



#### Supplementary Figure 53. HRMS analysis of OxyC turnover product K3-7

In the *in vitro* K3-7 assay with OxyC, there is a monocyclic pentapeptide and numerous bicyclic peptides present. (A) Base peak chromatogram of all ions (black), and extracted ion chromatograms of linear 791.3035  $[M+H]^+$  (red), monocyclic 789.2879  $[M+H]^+$  (green) and bicyclic 787.2722  $[M+H]^+$  (blue) at 10 ppm. HRMS highlighting the linear (B), monocyclic (C) and bicyclic (D) pentapeptide. The abundant monocyclic co-elutes with both other versions, and forms low level gas-phase dimers.



Supplementary Figure 54. Analysis of OxyC turnover product K4-7

In the *in vitro* K4-7 assay with OxyC, there are the linear tetrapeptide 642.2558  $[M+H]^+$  and one monocyclic tetrapeptide 640.2402  $[M+H]^+$ . (A) HPLC chromatograms, from top to bottom: TIC, Base peak full scan, Base peak MS2 scans, XIC linear tetrapeptide 642.2558  $[M+H]^+$ , XIC monocyclic tetrapeptide 640.2402  $[M+H]^+$ , XIC bicyclic tetrapeptide 638.22  $[M+H]^+$ . MSMS spectra of linear K4-7 (B) and monocyclic tetrapeptide (C). The monocyclic tetrapeptide appears to has a Hpg4-Tyr6 crosslink, as the Hpg7-MA is cleaved off. Fragmentation ions follow standard nomenclature for such experiments, see <sup>3,4</sup>.



#### Supplementary Figure 55. Analysis of OxyC turnover product K1-6

In the *in vitro* K1-6 assay with OxyC, there is the linear hexapeptide 1007.3934 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, several monocyclic hexapeptides 1005.3777 [M+H]<sup>+</sup> and low levels of bicyclic hexapeptide 1003.3621 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>. (A) Base peak chromatogram of linear (black), monocyclic (red) and bicyclic (green) hexapeptide targeted PRM, with selected peaks labelled. Representative MSMS spectra of labelled peaks of linear (B, peak 1 (37.7 min)) and monocyclic peptides (C, peak 2 (39.5 min)). The monocyclic spectrum shown supports a Hpg4-Tyr6 crosslink. The peak at 314.1492m/z, labelled with @, represents a loss of Hpg and CO from the y3^ ion, which due to the sequence is somewhat ambiguous; however, it is more likely to result from a Hpg4-Tyr6 crosslink through loss of the Hpg5 residue and CO, rather than a loss of CO from a y2^ (representing a Hpg5-Tyr6 crosslink) as there is no loss of methylamine. Possible fragments are shown in (D), indicating different fragments with similar masses that makes analysis difficult. Several other linkages were present in the other monocyclic and bicyclic peaks. Fragmentation ions follow standard nomenclature for such experiments, see <sup>3,4</sup>.



### Supplementary Figure 56. Analysis of OxyC turnover product K1-4

In the *in vitro* K1-4 assay with OxyC, there are the linear tetrapeptide 679.2875  $[M+H]^+$  and two different kind of monocyclic tetrapeptides 677.2718  $[M+H]^+$ . (A) Base peak chromatogram of linear (black) and monocyclic tetrapeptide (red). (B-D) MSMS of linear (B, peak 1 (34.2 min)) and monocyclic tetrapeptide (C, peak 2 (31.6 min), and D, peak 3 (34.3 min). Peak 2 appears to have a Tyr1-Hpg3 crosslink. Peak 3 represents a Tyr1-Hpg4 linkage, due to 255 ion abundance (linked Tyr and Hpg) and losses of Hpg and Trp from the parent with CO loss and virtual absence of both y1 and b3. Fragmentation ions follow standard nomenclature for such experiments, see <sup>3,4</sup>.



#### Supplementary Figure 57. Comparison of the activity of OxyC homologues

A turnover assay was performed with a GPA type I OxyC (from chloroeremomycin) and type V OxyC (from kistamicin) to check AB/ A-O-B ring formation in peptides with different C-terminal residues. Peptides tested include a teicoplanin related peptide T1-7 bearing a Hpg7 residue (A) and a pekiskomycin (Type I) peptide P1-7 bearing a Dpg-7 residue (B). These assays show that the chloroeremomycin OxyC homologue is active for AB ring formation in the peptide with a Hpg-7 residue (13-membered ring based on comparison to reported activity for balhimycin OxyC homologue),<sup>5</sup> whilst the kistamicin OxyC homologue is not active for A-O-B ring formation in a peptide with a Dpg-7 residue. Peptide preparation and cyclisation assays performed using reported protocols.<sup>6-8</sup> Source data are provided as a Source Data file.

# **Supplementary Tables**

Supplementary Table 1. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectroscopic data and HMBC correlations for Kistamicin A (700 MHz, methanol- $d_4$ ) Numbering of Kistamicin A according Supplementary Figure 4, HMBC correlation Supplementary Figure 5 and NMR spectra Supplementary Figures 6-11.

Units	<sup>1</sup> H	<sup>13</sup> C	НМВС	Units	<sup>1</sup> H	<sup>13</sup> C	НМВС
A-1	-	135.9	-	D-1	-	131.1	-
A-2	7.73	134.7	A-6, A-4	D-2	7.26	121.3	D-5, D-6
A-3	7.57	124.4	A-1	D-3	6.96	118.1	D-1, D-4,
A-4	-	156.3	-	D-4	-	149.4	-
A-5	7.24	125.8	A-1, A-4	D-5	-	145.7	-
A-6	7.83	131.8	A-2, A-4	D-6	5.24	112.9	D-2, D-4,
A-1'	2.92, 3.61	41.7	A-2', A-1,	D-1′	5.43	58.7	D-1, D-6
A-2'	4.33	59.3	-	D-2'	-	170.6	-
A-3'	-	170.6	-	D-NH*	8.55	-	-
A-NH	8.17	-	E-1′	E-1	-	136.8	-
B-1	-	130.4	-	E-2	7.96	135.1	E-3, E-4,
B-2	5.55	132.5	В-З, В-4,	E-3	-	130.6	-
B-3	-	136.4	-	E-4	-	154.2	-
B-4	-	140.3	-	E-5	6.84	128.1	E-1, E-3,
B-5	-	150.7	-	E-6	7.38	130.4	E-2, E-4
B-6	5.70	109.8	B-2, B-4,	E-1'	4.99	55.5	E-1, E-6
B-1'	6.40	56.5	B-3	E-2'	-	171.3	-
B-2'	-	171.3	-	E-NH	9.53	-	-
B-NH*	8.37	-	-	F-1	-	141.8	-
C-2	6.99	125.8	C-3, C-4,	F-2,6	6.15	105.2	F-3,5, F-4,
C-3	-	111.8	-	F-3,5	-	159.7	-
C-4	-	127.2	-	F-4	5.78	102.4	F-2,6
C-5	7.99	121.9	C-9	F-1'	4.94	58.0	F-1, F-2,6
C-6	6.84	123.4	C-4, C-7,	F-2'	-	172.1	-
C-7	-	133.1	-	F-NH	8.75	8.75	-
C-8	7.32	116.5	C-4, C-6,	G-1	-	126.9	-
C-9	-	139.1	-	G-2,6	6.70	131.8	G-4, G-1'
C-1′	3.01, 3.59	30.5	C-3, C-4	G-3,5	6.31	116.8	G-1, G-4
C-2′	6.29	54.9	-	G-4	-	157.8	-
C-3'	-	170.9	-	G-1′	2.90, 3.45	38.4	G-2,6, G-
C-NH*	9.29	-	-	G-2′	4.06	56.9	-
C-1-NH*	10.28	-	-	G-3′	-	175.6	-

\* observed in methanol- $d_3$  (where all the amide protons were visible)

Supplementary Table 2. Bacterial strains and plasmids used in this study

Strains	Characteristics	Reference
<i>E. coli</i> NovaBlue	recA1, endA1, gyrA96, thi-1, hsdR17 (rK12 <sup>-</sup> ,mK12 <sup>+</sup> ) supE44, relA1, lac [F', proAB, lacl <sup>9</sup> , lacZΔM15, Tn10] (Tet <sup>R</sup> )	Novagen
<i>E. coli</i> ET12567	DNA methylation deficient donor strain for conjugation: F2dam13::Tn9, dcm-6, hsdM, hsdR, recF143, zjj-202::Tn10, galK2, galT22 ara-14, lacY1,xyl- 5, leuB6, thi-1, tonA31, rpsL136, hisG4, tsx-78, mtl-1, glnV44	MacNeil, <i>et al</i> ., 1992. <sup>9</sup>
<i>E. coli</i> ArcticExpress	<i>E.</i> coli B $F^-$ ompT hsdS( $r_B^- m_B^-$ ) dcm <sup>+</sup> Tet <sup>r</sup> , gal $\lambda$ (DE3) endA Hte [cpn10 cpn60 Genta <sup>r</sup> ]	Agilent Technologies
Plasmids		
pJet1.2/blunt	rep(pMB1), <i>bla</i> (Amp <sup>K</sup> ), <i>eco47IR</i> , P <sub>lacUV5</sub> , T7 RNA polymerase promoter. Part of the CloneJET™ PCR Cloning Kit used for high efficiency cloning of PCR products	Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc.
pRM4.2	pSET152 <i>erm</i> Ep*derivate (ΦC31 integration vector with <i>ermE</i> * promoter, Apra <sup>R</sup> ) with artificial RBS, used for construction of pRM4_kisN and	Menges, <i>et al</i> ., 2007. <sup>10</sup>
pUB307	self-transmissible plasmid that mobilizes other plasmids in trans for DNA transfer into hosts: RP4, kan <sup>R</sup>	Bennett, <i>et al.</i> , 1977. <sup>11</sup>
pGUSA21	Promoter probe vector, pSETGUS with deleted KpnI fragment containing TipA promoter. gusA, Δint, ΔattB, MCS from pUC21. Used for gene inactivation	Myronovskyi <i>et al.</i> , 2011. <sup>12</sup>
pGUSA21_KisN-up_down	pGUSA21 deletion plasmid of kisN containing 1.5kb flanking regions each up-and downstream of the <i>kisN</i> gene	This study
pGUSA21_KisO-up_down	pGUSA21 deletion plasmid of kisO containing 1.5kb flanking regions each up-and downstream of the <i>kisO</i> gene	This study
pRM4_kisN	pRM4 with <i>kisN</i> cloned in <i>Nde</i> I + <i>Hin</i> dIII site	This study
pRM4_KisO	pRM4 with <i>kisO</i> cloned in <i>Hin</i> dIII + <i>Xba</i> I site	This study

# Supplementary Table 3. Primers used in this study

Primer Name	Sequence	Amplicon length bp	PCR Programm	
KisN-down Fw	CGCCTCTAGAGTCCCGTCGATCAC	1500		
KisN-down Rv	GCGGCATATGGGGTGCCATGCTT	1520		
KisN-up Fw	CGGACATATGACGGCGCCGTCCGC	4500		
KisN-up Rv	CGCCAAGCTTCGCGGCCAGGGACT	1520	1. 98°C, 0:30 min 2. 98°C, 0:10 min 3. 70°C, 0:30 min	
KisO-down Fw	GCACTCTAGAGGCAGCACTCCCTGTG	1510	4. 72°C, 1:30 min 5. 72°C, 2:00 min	
KisO-down Rv	GGACCATATGCACAGCTCCTTCACAGAG	1519	(Steps 2-4 × 32)	
KisO-up Fw	GCTGCATATGGCGCGGCGAGCCGGG	1520		
KisO-up Rv	CTGCAAGCTTGTGCGGGGGCGCTCGG	1520		
pGus-Fw	CGCCGTTGGATACACCAAGG		1. 98°C, 0:30 min 2. 98°C, 0:10 min 2. 60°C, 0:20 min	
pGus-Rw	GTGGACCGGGATGAACTTCG	3271	4. 72°C, 3:00 min 5. 72°C, 2:00 min (Steps 2-4 × 32)	
pRM4SeqFw	CACACGTGGCACCGCGATGCTGTTG		1. 98°C, 0:30 min 2. 98°C, 0:10 min 3. 64°C, 0:30 min 4. 72°C, 1:30 min 5. 72°C, 2:00 min (Steps 2-4 × 32)	
pRM4SeqRv	GTTGTAAAACGACGGCCAGTGCCAAG	1336		
kisN-Ndel-Fw	GCTGCATATGGTCGCGCCGGAGC	1170	1. 98°C, 0:30 min 2. 98°C, 0:10 min 3. 63°C, 0:30 min 4. 72°C, 1:30 min 5. 72°C, 2:00 min (Steps 2-4 × 32)	
kisN-HindIII-Rv	CTCGAAGCTTTCACCAGGTCAACGGCAG	1172		
kisO-HindIII-Fw	CTGCAAGCTTATGACGGATGTGACGCCAG	1301		
kisO-Xbal-Rv	GCGGTCTAGATCATCGGGTCGCGGC	1501		
Delta kisN Fw	GCGCGCACCTGTTCCCGCTCA		1. 98°C, 0:30 min 2. 98°C, 0:10 min 3. 63°C, 0:30 min	
Delta kisN Rv	CGGACGCTGTAGGCGGGCG	2500 (wt)	4. 72°C, 1:30 min 5. 72°C, 2:00 min (Steps 2-4 × 32)	
Delta kisN Fw	GCGCGCACCTGTTCCCGCTCA	4708 (wt)	1. 98°C, 0:30 min 2. 98°C, 0:10 min 3. 78°C, 0:30 min	
kisO-Xbal-Rv	GCGGTCTAGATCATCGGGTCGCGGC	3553 (∆ <i>kisN</i> )	3. 78°C, 0:30 min 4. 72°C, 3:30 min 5. 72°C, 2:00 min (Steps 2-4 × 32)	
Delta KisO f	CATCTGGCTGGCCACCGGGTAC	2800		
Delta KisO r	CGCCCTGCGATTCCGCGGC	(wt)		
X-for	ATTATAccatggcaCGTCCAGTCCTTGGTCCG	1519		
T7-rev	GCTAGTTATTGCTCAGCGG			

# Supplementary Table 4: Media used in this study

Name	Mass (g/l)	Further information
SFM-agar		
mannitol	20	
soy meal full fat	20	
agar	16	
LB Broth		
tryptone	10	
yeast extract	5	
NaCl	5	
R5 medium		pH 7.2; for plates 16g/L agar
Sucrose	103	
K <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	0.25	
MgCl <sub>2</sub> (6xH <sub>2</sub> O)	10.12	
Glucose	10	
Difco Casaminoacids	0.1	
Trace elements	2ml	
Difco Yeast extract	5	
TES Puffer	5.73	
	0.893 L ion free H <sub>2</sub> O	autoclave separately
Supplementation R5		autoclave separately
CaCl <sub>2</sub>	80 mL	3.68%
KH <sub>2</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	10 mL	0.54%
L- Proline	15 mL	20%
Trace elements	1L	autoclave separately
FeCl <sub>3</sub> x 6H <sub>2</sub> O	200 mg	
$Na_2B_4O_7 \times 10H_2O$	10 mg	
(NH <sub>4</sub> )6Mo <sub>7</sub> O <sub>24</sub> x 4H <sub>2</sub> O	10 mg	
CuCl <sub>2</sub> x2H <sub>2</sub> O	10 mg	
MnCl <sub>2</sub> x4H <sub>2</sub> O	10 mg	
ZnCl <sub>2</sub>	40 mg	
ZYM 5052 Media		рН 7.4
Tryptone	10 g	
Yeast extract	5 g	
Na <sub>2</sub> HPO <sub>4</sub>	25 mM	
KH <sub>2</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	25 mM	
NH <sub>4</sub> Cl	50 mM	
NaSO <sub>4</sub>	5 mM	
MgSO <sub>4</sub>	2 mM	
Glycerol	5 g	
D-Glucose	0.5 g	
Lactose	2 g	

Supplementary Tabl	e 5. Crystallo	ography data fo	or the OxyA <sub>kis</sub> /	X <sub>kis</sub> complex
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Data Collection	
Beamline	MX1, AS
Wavelength (Å)	0.9537
Space group	C2
Cell parameters	
<i>a, b, c</i> (Å)	118.8, 87.3, 96.0;
<i>x, y, z</i> (°)	90.00, 95.77, 90.00.
Data statistics	
Resolution (Å)	50.0 – 2.65
Completeness (%) <sup>(1)</sup>	99.7 (98.9)
Multiplicity <sup>1</sup>	3.8 (3.8)
$(I) / \sigma(I)^{(1)}$	21.3 (2.1)
$R_{merge}^{(1)}$	0.04 (0.50)
R <sub>nim</sub> <sup>(1)</sup>	0.026 (0.46)
CC1/2 <sup>(1)</sup>	0.99 (0.83)
Refinement	
$R / R_{free}^{(2)}$	0.212 / 0.264
Bond length rmsd (Å)	0.004
Bond angle rmsd (°)	0.634
Eavored (%) <sup>(3)</sup>	94.7
Disallowed (%) <sup>(3)</sup>	0.7
MOI PROBITY score	2.27 (92 <sup>nd</sup> percentile)
PDB ID	6M7L
Leu 1340	
Trp 1394 Trp 1394 Trp 1337 Trp 1430	
Stereo image of a portion of the electron density m	ap for the X-domain (maps: 2Eo-Ec (blue_sigma

<sup>(1)</sup> Values in parentheses refer to the highest recorded resolution shell.
 <sup>(2)</sup> 5% of reflections were randomly selected before refinement.
 <sup>(3)</sup> Percentage of residues in the Ramachandran plot

#### Supplementary Table 6. Similar proteins to OxyA from kistamicin biosynthesis

Top ranking and carrier-protein interacting P450 structures with high levels of homology to the  $OxyA_{kis}$  in complex with the X-domain as identified by Dali.<sup>13</sup>

PDB code	Chain	Z-score	RMSD Cα [Å]	% Identity	Description (donor organism)	
5HH3	С	44.2	1.5	48	OxyA <sub>tei</sub> (Actinoplanes teichomyceticus)	14
301A	А	43.5	2.2	50	OxyE <sub>tei</sub> (CYP165D3, <i>Actinoplanes teichomyceticus</i> )	15
1UED	А	43.2	2.1	44	OxyC <sub>van</sub> (Amycolatopsis orientalis)	16
5EX8	А	43.0	2.1	39	StaF (Streptomyces toyocaensis)	17
1LGF	А	42.9	2.0	43	OxyB <sub>van</sub> (Amycolatopsis orientalis)	18
5EX6	С	42.7	1.9	44	StaH (Streptomyces toyocaensis)	19
6FSH	D	41.4	2.0	44	Hybrid OxyB <sub>tei</sub> BC/FG <sub>van</sub> (Actinoplanes teichomyceticus)	20
4UBS	А	41.2	2.6	37	CYP105D7 (Streptomyces avermitilis)	21
5Y1I	В	41.1	2.2	35	GfsF (Streptomyces graminofaciens)	22
2ZBZ	А	40.9	2.8	33	CYP105A1 (Streptomyces griseolus)	23
4TVF	А	40.6	2.1	45	OxyB <sub>tei</sub> (Actinoplanes teichomyceticus)	24
3BUJ	А	39.4	2.2	32	Cal02 (Micromonospora echinospora)	25
3EJB	н	38.5	2.5	34	P450 <sub>Biol</sub> (CYP107H1, Bacillus subtilis)	26
4L0E	А	36.4	2.5	24	P450 <sub>sky</sub> (CYP163B3, <i>Streptomyces</i> sp. ACTA 2897)	27,28
3MGX	В	33.7	3.1	28	OxyD (Amycolatopsis balhimycina)	29

#### Supplementary Table 7. Similar proteins to the X domain from kistamicin biosynthesis

Top ranking structures with high levels of homology to the  $X_{kis}\mbox{-}domain$  in complex with  $OxyA_{kis}$  as identified by Dali.  $^{13}$ 

PDB code	Chain	Z-score	RMSD Cα [Å]	% Identity	Description (donor organism)	Ref
4TX2	В	49.1	2.1	55	X-domain from teicoplanin Tcp12 synthetase (Actinoplanes teichomyceticus)	30
4TX3	В	48.9	1.6	55	X-domain from teicoplanin Tcp12 synthetase (Actinoplanes teichomyceticus)	30
2JGP	A	38.4	3.2	24	PCP and C-domain from tyrocidine synthetase ( <i>Brevibacillus brevis</i> )	31
5U89	A	35.5	2.8	38	A, PCP and C domains from baccilibactin synthetase ( <i>Geobacillus</i> sp. Y4.1MC1)	32
4ZXI	A	34.5	3.2	23	C-A-PCP-TE termination module from <i>holo-</i> AB3403 synthetase ( <i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i> )	33
5DU9	A	33.9	4.9	19	C-domain from calcium-dependent antibiotic synthetase bound to acceptor mimic ( <i>Streptomyces coelicolor A3(2))</i>	34
4JN3	В	32.7	4.9	18	C-domain from calcium-dependent antibiotic synthetase ( <i>Streptomyces coelicolor A3(2)</i> )	35
5T3D	A	31.7	3.5	19	C-A-PCP-TT termination module from enterobactin synthetase ( <i>Escherichia coli</i> )	33
2VSQ	A	31.0	4.7	21	C-A-PCP-TE termination module from surfactin synthetase ( <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> )	36

# Supplementary Table 8. Comparison of the protein-protein interface within the two Oxy/X-domain complexes identified to date as performed by PISA.<sup>37</sup>

Complex	Residues (X- domain)	Residues (Oxy)	Interface (Å <sup>2</sup> )	∆G (kcal/mol)	$\Delta$ G P-value <sup>a</sup>	H-bonds	Salt bridges
OxyB-X <sub>tei</sub>	24	23	725	2.2	0.761	17	16
OxyA-X <sub>kis</sub>	19	33	976	2.6	0.740	17	20

<sup>a</sup> indication of hydrophobic nature of the interface, > 0.5 indicates the interface is less hydrophobic than usual for a protein-protein interface

#### Supplementary Table 9. Theoretical molecular weight of synthesised kistamicin peptides

Masses of starting material peptide-CoAs and their subsequent modifications during turnovers. MA: peptide generated from methylamine cleavage to generate methylamide peptide

Peptide	-CoA	MA linear	MA 1 ring	MA 2 rings	MA 3 rings
K1-7	1891.51	1155.43	1153.42	1151.40	1149.39
K4-7	1377.32	641.25	639.23	637.22	-
K2-4	1267.28	531.20	529.20	-	-
K3-6	1377.32	641.25	639.23	637.22	-
K2-7	1526.36	790.29	788.28	786.27	-
K1-6	1742.46	1006.39	1004.37	1002.36	1000.34
K1-4	1414.35	678.28	676.26	674.25	-
P1-7	1790.42	1054.35	1052.33	1050.32	1048.30
T1-7	1838.48	1102.41	1100.39	1098.38	1096.36

#### **Supplementary Discussion**

In terms of the peptide-producing NRPS, these differences are found in the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> modules, whilst the incorporation of Tyr-1, Trp-2 and Hpg-7 lead to a divergence in peptide structure (Figure 1, Supplementary Figure 1). In module 1, the lack of activation domain here implies that the tyrosine residue activated and loaded onto this position must be derived from an additional source. Previous work has shown that carrier protein (CP) domains can be aminoacylated by tRNA synthetases,<sup>38</sup> and that A-domains can be utilised to load tRNAs,<sup>39</sup> indicating a degree of crossover between these systems: this is one possible mechanism to account for the lack of the Acore-domain 1 in kistamicin biosynthesis. Furthermore, the D-configuration of this amino acid implies that the epimerisation of this residue would be occurring during initial peptide bond formation in the neighbouring condensation (C) domain, which is in agreement with early work on the chloroeremomycin (Type I) system.<sup>40</sup> Further important differences found in the kistamicin NRPS when compared to Type I-IV GPAs are the placement of E-domains within modules 3 and 4: specifically, the presence of an Edomain in module 3 and a lack of such a domain in module 4. Whilst a module 3 E-domain has previously been reported in the NRPS producing A47934,<sup>41</sup> this domain was shown to have been inactivated in this system, leading to the structure of A47934 matching other GPAs in possessing an (L)-configured residue at position 3 of the peptide. In the case of kistamicin, the presence of this Edomain agrees with the structural analysis performed for the initial identification of kistamicin that demonstrated a (D)-configured 3,5-dihydroxyphenylglycine (Dpg) residue at this position.<sup>42</sup> The results of OxyCkis reconstitution shows that peptides with residue 3 in a (D)-configuration are preferred over those with this residue in the (L)-configuration, which is consistent with the activity of this E-domain. The stereochemistry of the central Hpg residue installed by module 4 of the GPA NRPS is a key feature in all GPA structures, as this forms the central connection between both the C-O-D ring and D-O-E/ DE ring of the GPA. All GPA structures to date have shown this central residue to be (D) configured.<sup>43,44</sup> However, the kistamicin cluster does not possess an E-domain in this module (Figure 1). Given the central nature of this residue, alteration of the stereochemistry of this position to the (L)-form would appear highly unlikely, with OxyCkis reconstitution again showing the importance of a (D)-configuration of Hpg-4. This implies a dual C/E function for one of the neighbouring C-domains that are involved with peptide bond formation at this residue, although the identity of this potential dual C/E-domain is not clear from phylogenetic analyses (Supplementary Figure 3). When comparing kistamicin with the only other characterised Type-V GPA complestatin, the relative similarity of these molecules is not repeated in their NRPS architectures, as modules 1, 3 and 4 in the complestatin NRPS conform to that of a standard GPA.<sup>45</sup> Differences found within the complestatin NRPS – such as the extended linker between the X- and thioester (TE) domains in the final module, unique methyl transferase domain and

the silent additional E-domain within the  $6^{th}$  module – are not repeated within the kistamicin cluster, indicating significant diversity within the biosynthetic machineries of these two Type-V GPAs (**Figure 1**).<sup>45</sup>

# **Supplementary Methods**

#### OxyE complementation in A. parvosata WT

Due to the results from the *A. parvosata*  $\Delta oxyA$  ( $\Delta kisN$ ) strain showing that  $OxyC_{kis}$  could install an addition crosslink between the Tyr-1 and Trp-2/ Dpg-3 residues of the C-O-D crosslinked peptide, we also tested whether the addition of a Type IV OxyE enzyme to the kistamicin WT producer would be able to reproduce the insertion of an extra ring at the N-terminus of kistamicin. To this end, we ascertained that the heterologous expression of oxyE (staG) gene<sup>46</sup> from the A47934 Type IV GPA into the *A. parvosata* WT kistamicin producer does not support insertion of an F-O-G ring between Tyr-1 and Dpg-3 in kistamicin. This lack of activity could stem from a number of reasons, concerning either the timing of OxyA ring formation restricting the activity of OxyE<sup>47</sup> or changes in the peptide structure or the stereochemistry of the Dpg-3 residue.

#### Molecular Modelling of the rings in kistamicin

Molecular modelling calculations were undertaken to compare the stability of native kistamicin (containing a 15-membered A-O-B ring) relative to kistamicin analogues containing 13- or 12membered AB rings. The peptides were modelled as structures 1-3, where the N-terminal tyrosine residue was replaced by an acetyl group (Figure 3). First, the conformations of each peptide were explored using the Macrocycle Conformational Sampling algorithm of MacroModel 11.7.48,49 The conformer sampling was conducted with the OPLS 2005 forcefield,<sup>50,51</sup> using the GB/SA model<sup>52</sup> to simulate solvation in water. The default settings of the Macrocycle Conformational Sampling protocol in MacroModel were used, in which 5000 cycles of large-scale low mode searches were performed on a set of seed structures obtained from 5000 cycles of MD simulated annealing, with eigenvectors determined for each new global minimum, and included the "enhanced" option for torsional sampling (which samples certain C–N and C–O single bonds with higher rotational barriers). For each molecule, the three most stable conformers identified by this protocol were then submitted to single-point energy calculation with density functional theory (DFT), performed with M06-2X/6-31G(d)<sup>53</sup> in Gaussian 09.54 The conformer having the lowest DFT energy was used for analysis. This series of calculations provided the relative potential energies reported in Figure 3, which predict that the native kistamicin structure, containing the 15-membered A-O-B ring (1), is about 10 kcal/mol less stable than the analogues containing the 13- (2) and 12-membered (3) AB rings. In a similar series of calculations where the conformer sampling was performed with the OPLS3 forcefield rather than with OPLS\_2005, the order of stabilities of 1-3 was the same, the spread between the most stable and least stable isomers was smaller (5 kcal/mol).

Each molecule was then truncated to give just the A-O-B or AB ring as shown in **Supplementary Figure 27**. Free valences were capped with hydrogen atoms. The 15-, 13-, and 12-membered macromonocycles **4–6** were subjected to full geometry optimization with M06-2X/6-31G(d). This series of calculations showed that the 15-membered A-O-B ring substructure of kistamicin (**4**) was again about 10 kcal/mol less stable than the 12- or 13-membered AB rings of the analogues (**5**, **6**). This suggests that the origins of the difference in stability between native kistamicin and the smaller-ring AB analogues are localized largely within the A-O-B/AB ring.

A similar analysis was performed for the kistamicin C-O-D ring (**Supplementary Figure 28**). The native 16-membered C-O-D ring **7** was compared with the 14-membered CD ring analogue **8**. In this case, the C-O-D ring was 3–4 kcal/mol less stable than the CD ring. The 14-membered biaryl structure in **8** is analogous to that found in arylomycins.

We also explored ring size effects in pekiskomycin, a GPA which natively contains an AB ring (**Supplementary Figure 29**). The native structure **9**, containing a 12-membered AB ring, was compared with a ring-expanded analogue **10** containing a 14-membered A-*O*-B ring. In this case the native AB-containing structure was 2.7 kcal/mol more stable than the larger-ring A-*O*-B analogue.

Each of these sets of calculations reveals a common trend, namely that larger-ring diaryl ethers are less stable than the isomeric smaller-ring biaryl alcohols. This trend can, in part, be attributed to the intrinsic stabilities of diaryl ethers relative to biaryl alcohols. For example, calculations on diphenyl ether **11** and 2-hydroxybiphenyl **12** (**Supplementary Figure 30**) predict that ether **11** is about 7 kcal/mol less stable than biaryl alcohol **12**, the same trend observed in the GPAs above.

Ring strain also contributes to the relative stabilities of diaryl ether versus biaryl alcohol-containing macrocyclic rings in GPAs. In kistamicin, the B ring is a locus of deformation: as shown in **Supplementary Figure 31**, the aryl ring is puckered and the ether oxygen and  $\alpha$ -carbon are bent significantly out of plane.

The Cartesian coordinates for **1–12** are provided in the raw data folder. For species **1**, **2**, **3**, **9** and **10**, where a DFT single-point energy calculation was performed using the OPLS\_2005 optimized geometry, the M06-2X/6-31G(d) single-point electronic potential energy (E) is reported. For species **4**, **5**, **6**, **7**, **8**, **11** and **12**, which were fully optimized with DFT, both the M06-2X/6-31G(d) electronic potential energy (E) and Gibbs free energy (G, 298.15 K, 1 atm) are reported.

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