Supplementary Information to

The Landscape of Recombination Events that Create Nonribosomal Peptide Diversity

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1. Supplementary tables

Supplementary Table S1. Compounds, genes and proteins analyzed in this study.

Compound	Accession biosynthesis genes/	Accession
Investigated producer	gene clusters	enzymes
microcystin-LR	<i>mcy</i> : AF183408(Pearson et al. 2004)	МсуВ
Microcystis aeruginosa PCC 7806	BGC0001017 (MIBiG (Kautsar et al.	AAF00962
	2020))	
microcystin-RR	<i>mcv</i> : AP009552:3486436-3541027	МсуВ
Microcystis aeruginosa NIES-843	(Kaneko et al. 2007)	BAG03678
		McvC
		BAG03677
[ADMAdda⁵] microcystin-LR	mcvA (partial):	McvA
(Sivonen et al. 1992)	JQ771631 (Shishido et al. 2013)	AGD94570
Nostoc sp 152		
[D-l eu ¹] microcystin-l R	mcvA (partial) [.]	McvA
(Matthiensen et al. 2000)	IX644441 (Shishido et al. 2013)	AFW99796
Nostoc sp. LIK89IIa		
Microginin (Kramer 2006)	mic: DM195384 (Kramer 2006)	Data from
Microcystis aeruginosa		Patent
		(Kramer 2006)
oscillaginin B (Sano and Kava 1007)	mic: AM990464 (Rounde et al. 2000)	MicC
Dischaginin B (Sano and Raya 1997)		CA048260
Flanktouring prolitica NIVA-CTA 98		MicD
anahaanaantia A		CAQ46201
anabaenopeptin A	ana: AM990463 (Rounge et al. 2009)	Anac
(Harada et al. 1995)		CAQ48250
Planktothrix prolifica NIVA-CYA 98		AnaD
		CAQ48249
anabaenopeptin 915	<i>apn</i> : KU665237 (Entfeliner et al. 2017)	ApnC
(Okumura et al. 2009)		AQY60513
Planktothrix agardhii NIVA-CYA 126/8		ApnD
		AQY60514
spumigin A (Fujii et al. 1997)	<i>spu</i> : BGC0000430 (Fewer et al. 2009)	SpuB
Nodularia spumigena CCY9414	(MIBiG)	AHJ31215
speudospumigin A(Jokela et al. 2017)	<i>spu</i> : MF668123 (Jokela et al. 2017)	SpuB
Nostoc sp. CENA543	BGC0001748 (MIBiG)	ATP76246
anabaenolysin A (Jokela et al. 2012)	<i>abl</i> : KP761742 (Shishido et al. 2015)	AbID
Anabaena sp. XSPORK2A		ALT22120
anabaenolysin C (Shishido et al. 2015)	abl : KP761741 (Shishido et al. 2015)	AbID
Anabaena sp. XPORK13A		ALT22102
hassallidin A (Neuhof et al. 2005)	has: KJ502174 (Vestola et al. 2014)	HasO
Anabaena sp. Syke748A		AHZ20774
nostopeptolide A1 (Golakoti et al. 200)	nos: AF204805.2 (Hoffmann et al. 2003)	NosA
Nostoc sp. GSV224	BGC0001028 (MIBiG)	AAF15891.2
cyanopeptolin-984	mcn : DQ075244	McnC
(Tooming-Klunderud et al. 2007)	(Tooming-Klunderud et al. 2007)	AAZ03552
Microcystis sp. NIVA-CYA 172/5		McnE
		AAZ03554
oscillapeptin E (Itou et al. 1999)	oci: EU109504 (Rounge et al. 2008)	OciA
Planktothrix agardhii NIES 205		ABW84363

		OciE
		ABW84364
oscillapeptin G (Sano and Kaya 1996)	<i>oci</i> : AM990463.2 (Rounge et al. 2009)	OciB
Planktothrix rubescens NIVA-CYA 98		CAQ48255
		OciC
		CAQ48258
cyanopeptolin 963A	<i>mcn</i> : AM778942: 63976-93086	McnC
(Bister et al. 2004)		CAO90637
Microcystis aeruginosa PCC 7806		McnE
		Self-annotated
micropeptin 88-A (Ishida et al. 1998)	<i>mcn</i> : JXYX01000001: 396006- 431374	McnC
Microcystis aeruginosa NIES-88		KXS92360
		McnE
		KXS92361
micropeptin K139 (Harada et al. 2004)	<i>mcn</i> : AB481215 (Nishizawa et al. 2011)	McnC
Microcystis aeruginosa K-139	BGC0001018 (MIBIG)	BAH22764
		MCNE
	AD010000 - 5047070 - 5000110	BAH22765
Nostopeptin E (Sun et al. 1998)	<i>OCI</i> : AP018222: C5817676- 5808142	
		BAY78314
Nostopeptin B (Okino et al. 1997)	oci: LXQD01000316: 1878-34182	
Nostoc minutum NIES-26		RCJ25078
	oci : DQ837301 (Rounge et al. 2007)	
(Rounge et al. 2007)		ABI20077
Planktolinix agardili NIVA-CTATIO	nnn: 15120070 (Edwar at al. 2011)	NppP
Nostoc sp. 152	RCC0001020 (MIRIC)	
Mycosubtilin (Poypoux et al. 1086)	muc: AE184056 (Duitman at al. 1000)	ALOTIO00 MycR
Bacillus subtilis ATCC 6633	RCC0001103 (MIRIC)	
		MycC
		AAF08797
mojavensin A (Ma et al. 2012)	ituB: 114OB01000027:c198053-181959	ItuB
Bacillus tequilensis NCTC 13306	(Dunlap et al. 2019)	SPT99259
	<i>ituC</i> : AQB01000027:174053-181870	ltuC
	(Dunlap et al. 2019)	SPT99257
iturin A (Peypoux et al. 1978)	<i>itu</i> : AB050629 (Tsuge et al. 2001)	ItuB
Bacillus subtilis RB14	BGC0001098 (MIBiG)	BAB69699
		ItuC
		BAB69700
bacillomycin F (Peypoux et al. 1985)	<i>bmyB</i> : CP029465:2095894-2111987	BmyB
Bacillus subtilis KCTC 13429	(Dunlap et al. 2019)	Self-annotated
	<i>bmyC</i> : CP029465:2087978-2095804	BmyC
	(Dunlap et al. 2019)	AWM17129
bacillomycin D(Peypoux et al. 1984)	<i>bmy</i> : BGC0001090	BmyB
Bacillus velezensis FZB42	(Koumoutsi et al. 2004) (MIBiG)	ABS74180
bacillomycin L (Volpon et al. 2007)	<i>bmyB</i> : LLZA01000001.1:44524-60651	BmyB
Bacillus velezensis KACC 18228	(Dunlap et al. 2019)	KSW05789
D-Dab ₃ -polymyxin B ₁	<i>pxm</i> : JN660148 (Shaheen et al. 2011)	PxmA
(Shaheen et al. 2011)		AEZ51516
Paenibacillus polymyxia PKB1		
polymyxin P ₁	<i>pxm</i> : FR727736 (Niu et al. 2013)	PxmA
(Kimura et al. 1969)		CBY05531
Paenibacillus polymyxa M1		

polymyxin E ₁	Data from patent (Park S-H et al. 2012)	Data from
(Wilkinson and Lowe 1964)		patent
Paenibacillus polymyxia ATCC21830		(Park S-H et al.
		2012)
polymyxin A ₁	<i>pxm</i> : EU371992 (Choi et al. 2009)	PxmA
(Wilkinson and Lowe 1966)	BGC0000408 (MIBiG)	ACA97576
Paenibacillus polymyxia E681		
D-Dab ₃ -polymyxin E ₁ *	<i>pxm</i> : KP262070 (Tambadou et al. 2015)	PxmE
(Tambadou et al. 2015)	BGC0001192 (MIBiG)	AJM89738
Paenibacillus alvei		
fusaricidin A(Kajimura and Kaneda	<i>fus</i> : EF451155.3 (Li et al. 2007)	FusA
1996)	BGC0001152 (MIBiG)	ABQ96384.2
Paenibacillus polymyxa PKB1		
Fengycin (Vanittanakom et al. 1986)	fen : AJ576102 (Koumoutsi et al. 2004)	FenA
Bacillus velezensis FZB42	BGC0001095 (MIBiG)	CAE11274
Vancomycin	<i>vcm</i> : HQ679900 (Xu et al. 2014)	Vcm2
(Williams and Kalman 1977)	BGC0000455 (MIBiG)	AEI58865
Amycolatopsis orientalis HCCB10007		
Pekiskomycin (Thaker et al. 2013)	pek : JX026280 (Thaker et al. 2013)	Pek18
Streptomyces sp. WAC1420		AGF91753
aeruginoside 126A (Ishida et al. 2007)	aer: AM071396 (Ishida et al. 2007)	AerB
Planktothrix agardhii NIVA-CYA 126/8	BGC0000297 (MIBiG)	CAJ21198.2
aeruginosin A (Rounge et al. 2009)	<i>aer</i> : AM990465 (Rounge et al. 2009)	AerB
Planktothrix prolifica NIVA-CYA 98		CAQ48266
aeruginosin 98A	<i>aer</i> : FJ609416 (Ishida et al. 2009)	AerB
(Murakami et al. 1995)	BGC0000298 (MIBiG)	ACM68684
Microcystis aeruginosa NIES-98		
aeruginosin 102A	aer: AP019314:c3064789-3083819	AerB
(Matsuda et al. 1996)		BBH40328
Microcystis aeruginosa NIES-102		
Hormaomycin	hrm: HQ542230 (Höfer et al. 2011)	HrmO
(Zlatopolskiy et al. 2004)	BGC0000374 (MIBiG)	AEH41793
Streptomyces griseoflavus W-384		

*The stereochemistry of Dab in position 3 of D-Dab₃-polymyxin E₁ has not been validated experimentally but is assumed based on the presence of an epimerase domain (Tambadou et al. 2015).



Supplementary FIG. S1. Diversification of NRPs via recombination. Examples for the diversification of bacterial NRPs *via* recombination from the biosynthesis of **a**, microcystins, **b**, glycopeptide antibiotics, **c**, aeruginosins, **d**, polymyxins, **e**, iturinic lipopeptides, and **f**, hormaomycin, for which no plausible recombination partner sequences from characterized NRP biosynthesis genes could be identified. Structural differences of compound pairs (grey squares) correlate with nucleotide sequence polymorphisms of the genes encoding NRPS modules (M), thereby indicating recombination. Most closely related sequences have been aligned for pairwise comparison. π values (average number of nucleotide differences per site between two sequences) were computed in the sliding window mode in DnaSP (width, 300 nt; step, 150 nt). Amino acid residues in the structures are color-coded to trace back their biosynthetic origin to individual modules. Dab, diaminobutyric acid; (3-Ncp)Ala, 3-nitrocyclopropylalanine; R, alkyl moiety.



Supplementary FIG. S2. Statistical support for recombination event #1 by using Recombination Detection Program version 4 (RDP4) (Martin et al. 2015). **a**, Probability scores for recombination calculated by the recombination detection methods RDP (Martin and Rybicki 2000), GENECONV (Padidam et al. 1999), Bootscan (Salminen et al. 1995), Maxchi (Smith 1992), Chimaera (Posada and Crandall 2001), SiSscan (Gibbs et al. 2000), 3Seq (Boni et al. 2007) and LARD (Holmes et al. 1999) together with the prediction of the recombinant as well as the major and minor parent. RDP4 warns about a possible misidentification of the recombinant. However, the assignment seems logical. **b**, 'Recombination aware' phylogenetic trees of the putative recombination event. **c**, Graphical output of recombination detection method RDP. **d**, Graphical output of recombination detection method Bootscan.



Supplementary FIG. S3. Statistical support for recombination event #2 by using Recombination Detection Program version 4 (RDP4) (Martin et al. 2015). **a**, Probability scores for recombination calculated by the recombination detection methods RDP (Martin and Rybicki 2000), GENECONV (Padidam et al. 1999), Bootscan (Salminen et al. 1995), Maxchi (Smith 1992), Chimaera (Posada and Crandall 2001), SiSscan (Gibbs et al. 2000), 3Seq (Boni et al. 2007) and LARD (Holmes et al. 1999) together with the prediction of the recombinant as well as the major and minor parent. RDP4 warns about a possible misidentification of the recombination event. **c**, Graphical output of recombination detection method RDP. **d**, Graphical output of recombination detection method Bootscan.



Supplementary FIG. S4. Statistical support for recombination event #3 by using Recombination Detection Program version 4 (RDP4) (Martin et al. 2015). **a**, Probability scores for recombination calculated by the recombination detection methods RDP (Martin and Rybicki 2000), GENECONV (Padidam et al. 1999), Bootscan (Salminen et al. 1995), Maxchi (Smith 1992), Chimaera (Posada and Crandall 2001), SiSscan (Gibbs et al. 2000), 3Seq (Boni et al. 2007) and LARD (Holmes et al. 1999) together with the prediction of the recombinant as well as the major and minor parent. RDP4 warns about a possible misidentification of the recombinant. However, the assignment seems logical. **b**, 'Recombination aware' phylogenetic trees of the putative recombination event. **c**, Graphical output of recombination detection method RDP. **d**, Graphical output of recombination detection method Bootscan.



Supplementary FIG. S5. Statistical support for recombination event #5 by using Recombination Detection Program version 4 (RDP4) (Martin et al. 2015). **a**, Probability scores for recombination calculated by the recombination detection methods RDP (Martin and Rybicki 2000), GENECONV (Padidam et al. 1999), Bootscan (Salminen et al. 1995), Maxchi (Smith 1992), Chimaera (Posada and Crandall 2001), SiSscan (Gibbs et al. 2000), 3Seq (Boni et al. 2007) and LARD (Holmes et al. 1999) together with the prediction of the recombinant as well as the major and minor parent. RDP4 warns about a possible misidentification of the recombinant. However, the assignment seems logical. **b**, 'Recombination aware' phylogenetic trees of the putative recombination event. **c**, Graphical output of recombination detection method RDP. **d**, Graphical output of recombination detection method Bootscan.



Supplementary FIG. S6. Statistical support for recombination event #6 by using Recombination Detection Program version 4 (RDP4) (Martin et al. 2015). **a**, Probability scores for recombination calculated by the recombination detection methods RDP (Martin and Rybicki 2000), GENECONV (Padidam et al. 1999), Bootscan (Salminen et al. 1995), Maxchi (Smith 1992), Chimaera (Posada and Crandall 2001), SiSscan (Gibbs et al. 2000), 3Seq (Boni et al. 2007) and LARD (Holmes et al. 1999) together with the prediction of the recombinant as well as the major and minor parent. RDP4 warns about a possible misidentification of the recombination event. **c**, Graphical output of recombination detection method RDP. **d**, Graphical output of recombination detection method Bootscan.



Supplementary FIG. S7. Statistical support for recombination event #7 by using Recombination Detection Program version 4 (RDP4) (Martin et al. 2015). **a**, Probability scores for recombination calculated by the recombination detection methods RDP (Martin and Rybicki 2000), GENECONV (Padidam et al. 1999), Bootscan (Salminen et al. 1995), Maxchi (Smith 1992), Chimaera (Posada and Crandall 2001), SiSscan (Gibbs et al. 2000), 3Seq (Boni et al. 2007) and LARD (Holmes et al. 1999) together with the prediction of the recombinant as well as the major and minor parent. RDP4 warns about a possible misidentification of the recombinant and states that M5_ociB(IIe) or M7_mcnE(IIe) may be the actual recombinant. Since the assignment of M5_mcnC(Phe) as the recombinant does not make sense from a biosynthetic perspective we suggest M5_ociB(IIe) to be the recombinant. **b**, 'Recombination aware' phylogenetic trees of the putative recombination event. **c**, Graphical output of recombination detection method RDP. **d**, Graphical output of recombination detection method Bootscan.



Supplementary FIG. S8. Statistical support for recombination event #8 by using Recombination Detection Program version 4 (RDP4) (Martin et al. 2015). **a**, Probability scores for recombination calculated by the recombination detection methods RDP (Martin and Rybicki 2000), GENECONV (Padidam et al. 1999), Bootscan (Salminen et al. 1995), Maxchi (Smith 1992), Chimaera (Posada and Crandall 2001), SiSscan (Gibbs et al. 2000), 3Seq (Boni et al. 2007) and LARD (Holmes et al. 1999) together with the prediction of the recombinant as well as the major and minor parent. RDP4 warns about a possible misidentification of the recombinant. However, the assignment seems logical. **b**, 'Recombination aware' phylogenetic trees of the putative recombination event. **c**, Graphical output of recombination detection method RDP. **d**, Graphical output of recombination detection method Bootscan.



Supplementary FIG. S9. Statistical support for recombination event #9 by using Recombination Detection Program version 4 (RDP4) (Martin et al. 2015). **a**, Probability scores for recombination calculated by the recombination detection methods RDP (Martin and Rybicki 2000), GENECONV (Padidam et al. 1999), Bootscan (Salminen et al. 1995), Maxchi (Smith 1992), Chimaera (Posada and Crandall 2001), SiSscan (Gibbs et al. 2000), 3Seq (Boni et al. 2007) and LARD (Holmes et al. 1999) together with the prediction of the recombinant as well as the major and minor parent. RDP4 warns about a possible misidentification of the recombinant. However, the assignment seems logical. **b**, 'Recombination aware' phylogenetic trees of the putative recombination event. **c**, Graphical output of recombination detection method RDP. **d**, Graphical output of recombination detection method Bootscan.



Supplementary FIG. S10. Statistical support for recombination event #10 by using Recombination Detection Program version 4 (RDP4) (Martin et al. 2015). **a**, Probability scores for recombination calculated by the recombination detection methods RDP (Martin and Rybicki 2000), GENECONV (Padidam et al. 1999), Bootscan (Salminen et al. 1995), Maxchi (Smith 1992), Chimaera (Posada and Crandall 2001), SiSscan (Gibbs et al. 2000), 3Seq (Boni et al. 2007) and LARD (Holmes et al. 1999) together with the prediction of the recombinant as well as the major and minor parent. RDP4 warns about a possible misidentification of the recombinant. However, the assignment seems logical. **b**, 'Recombination aware' phylogenetic trees of the putative recombination event. **c**, Graphical output of recombination detection method RDP. **d**, Graphical output of recombination detection method Bootscan.



Supplementary FIG. S11. Statistical support for recombination event #11 by using Recombination Detection Program version 4 (RDP4) (Martin et al. 2015). **a**, Probability scores for recombination calculated by the recombination detection methods RDP (Martin and Rybicki 2000), GENECONV (Padidam et al. 1999), Bootscan (Salminen et al. 1995), Maxchi (Smith 1992), Chimaera (Posada and Crandall 2001), SiSscan (Gibbs et al. 2000), 3Seq (Boni et al. 2007) and LARD (Holmes et al. 1999) together with the prediction of the recombinant as well as the major and minor parent. RDP4 warns about a possible misidentification of the recombinant and states that M5_mcnC(IIe) or M7_mcnE(IIe) may be the actual recombinant. Since the assignment of M6_mcnC(Val) as the recombinant does not make sense from a biosynthetic perspective we suggest M5_mcnC(IIe) to be the recombinant. **b**, 'Recombination aware' phylogenetic trees of the putative recombination event. **c**, Graphical output of recombination detection method RDP. **d**, Graphical output of recombination detection method Bootscan.



Supplementary FIG. S12. Statistical support for recombination event #12 by using Recombination Detection Program version 4 (RDP4) (Martin et al. 2015). **a**, Probability scores for recombination calculated by the recombination detection methods RDP (Martin and Rybicki 2000), GENECONV (Padidam et al. 1999), Bootscan (Salminen et al. 1995), Maxchi (Smith 1992), Chimaera (Posada and Crandall 2001), SiSscan (Gibbs et al. 2000), 3Seq (Boni et al. 2007) and LARD (Holmes et al. 1999) together with the prediction of the recombinant as well as the major and minor parent. RDP4 warns about a possible misidentification of the recombinant. However, the assignment seems logical. **b**, 'Recombination aware' phylogenetic trees of the putative recombination event. **c**, Graphical output of recombination detection method RDP. **d**, Graphical output of recombination detection method Bootscan.



Supplementary FIG. S13. Statistical support for recombination event #13 by using Recombination Detection Program version 4 (RDP4) (Martin et al. 2015). **a**, Probability scores for recombination calculated by the recombination detection methods RDP (Martin and Rybicki 2000), GENECONV (Padidam et al. 1999), Bootscan (Salminen et al. 1995), Maxchi (Smith 1992), Chimaera (Posada and Crandall 2001), SiSscan (Gibbs et al. 2000), 3Seq (Boni et al. 2007) and LARD (Holmes et al. 1999) together with the prediction of the recombinant as well as the major and minor parent. RDP4 warns about a possible misidentification of the recombinant, which in this case (M5_ociAB(Ile)) seems logic. However, the assignment of M5_ociAB(Leu) as the minor parent does not make sense from a biosynthetic perspective. Therefore, we suggest M7_ociC(Ile) to be minor parent and M5_ociAB(Leu) to be the major parent. **b**, 'Recombination aware' phylogenetic trees of the putative recombination event. **c**, Graphical output of recombination detection method RDP. **d**, Graphical output of recombination detection method RDP. **d**, Graphical output of recombination detection method RDP.



Supplementary FIG. S14. Statistical support for recombination event #14 by using Recombination Detection Program version 4 (RDP4) (Martin et al. 2015). **a**, Probability scores for recombination calculated by the recombination detection methods RDP (Martin and Rybicki 2000), GENECONV (Padidam et al. 1999), Bootscan (Salminen et al. 1995), Maxchi (Smith 1992), Chimaera (Posada and Crandall 2001), SiSscan (Gibbs et al. 2000), 3Seq (Boni et al. 2007) and LARD (Holmes et al. 1999) together with the prediction of the recombinant as well as the major and minor parent. RDP4 warns about a possible misidentification of the recombinant, which in this case (M6_ituC(Asn)) seems logic. However, the assignment of M6_mycC(Ser) as the minor parent does not make sense from a biosynthetic perspective. Therefore, we suggest M7_ituC(Asn) to be minor parent and M6_mycC(Ser) to be the major parent. **b**, 'Recombination aware' phylogenetic trees of the putative recombination event. **c**, Graphical output of recombination detection method RDP. **d**, Graphical output of recombination detection method RDP. **d**, Graphical output of recombination detection method RDP.



Supplementary FIG. S15. Statistical support for recombination event #15 by using Recombination Detection Program version 4 (RDP4) (Martin et al. 2015). **a**, Probability scores for recombination calculated by the recombination detection methods RDP (Martin and Rybicki 2000), GENECONV (Padidam et al. 1999), Bootscan (Salminen et al. 1995), Maxchi (Smith 1992), Chimaera (Posada and Crandall 2001), SiSscan (Gibbs et al. 2000), 3Seq (Boni et al. 2007) and LARD (Holmes et al. 1999) together with the prediction of the recombinant as well as the major and minor parent. RDP4 warns about a possible misidentification of the recombinant, which in this case (M7_ituC(Ser)) seems logic. However, the assignment of M7_ituC(Asn) as the minor parent and M7_ituC(Asn) to be the major parent. **b**, 'Recombination aware' phylogenetic trees of the putative recombination event. **c**, Graphical output of recombination detection method RDP. **d**, Graphical output of recombination detection method Bootscan.



Supplementary FIG. S16. Statistical support for recombination event #16 by using Recombination Detection Program version 4 (RDP4) (Martin et al. 2015). **a**, Probability scores for recombination calculated by the recombination detection methods RDP (Martin and Rybicki 2000), GENECONV (Padidam et al. 1999), Bootscan (Salminen et al. 1995), Maxchi (Smith 1992), Chimaera (Posada and Crandall 2001), SiSscan (Gibbs et al. 2000), 3Seq (Boni et al. 2007) and LARD (Holmes et al. 1999) together with the prediction of the recombinant as well as the major and minor parent. RDP4 warns about a possible misidentification of the recombination event. **c**, Graphical output of recombination detection method RDP. **d**, Graphical output of recombination detection method Bootscan.



Supplementary FIG. S17. Statistical support for recombination event #18 by using Recombination Detection Program version 4 (RDP4) (Martin et al. 2015). **a**, Probability scores for recombination calculated by the recombination detection methods RDP (Martin and Rybicki 2000), GENECONV (Padidam et al. 1999), Bootscan (Salminen et al. 1995), Maxchi (Smith 1992), Chimaera (Posada and Crandall 2001), SiSscan (Gibbs et al. 2000), 3Seq (Boni et al. 2007) and LARD (Holmes et al. 1999) together with the prediction of the recombinant as well as the major and minor parent. RDP4 warns about a possible misidentification of the recombinant. However, the assignment seems logical. **b**, 'Recombination aware' phylogenetic trees of the putative recombination event. **c**, Graphical output of recombination detection method RDP. **d**, Graphical output of recombination detection method Bootscan.



Supplementary FIG. S18. Subdomain exchange in cyanobacterial NRPS. Modules are divided in adenylation (A), condensation (C), thiolation (T), and if present methylation (MT) domains. Adenylation domain-specific core motifs are indicated by bands and numbers (1-10). Linkers are indicated as filled squares. Highlighted parts of the graphs represent regions that are more closely related to sequences encoding other modules than to sequence of the respective ortholog.



Supplementary FIG. S19. Subdomain exchange in non-cyanobacterial NRPS. Modules are divided in adenylation (A), condensation (C), thiolation (T) domains. Adenylation domain-specific core motifs are indicated by bands and numbers (1-10). Linkers are indicated as filled squares. Highlighted parts of the graphs represent regions that are more closely related to sequences encoding other modules than to sequence of the respective ortholog.



Supplementary FIG. S20. Integration of E domains in NRP assembly lines for the biosynthesis of **a**, cyanopeptolin 1138 and **b**, D-Dab₃-polymyxin E₁. The integration of of E domains is accompanied by the exchange of conventional T and ^LC_L domains with specialized T_E and ^DC_L domains associated with E domains. These results underpin the role of C domains as stereochemical gatekeepers and show that C domains are indeed exchanged if needed, thereby further undermining the attributed role of C domains as stringent selectivity filters during NRP biosynthesis. Gene segments encoding modules are divided in adenylation (A), condensation (C), thiolation (T), methyltransferases (MT), sulfotransferase (ST), and glyceric acid loading (SA) domains. In case of cyanopeptolin 1138 biosynthesis exchanged (sub)domains were illustrated in the NRPS (partial) structures of OciA and OciE, which have been modeled with Phyre2 (Kelley et al. 2015). Dab, diaminobutyric acid. *The stereochemistry of Dab in position 3 of D-Dab₃-polymyxin E₁ has not been validated experimentally. Instead a D-Dab residue in position 3 was assumed based on the presence of the epimerase domain (Tambadou et al. 2015). Therefore, the structural assignment is tentative. However, a similar pair with L- and D-Dab residues in position 3 has been reported for polymyxin B (Shaheen et al. 2011).



Supplementary FIG. S21. Evidence of recombination with horizontally acquired genes in the biosynthesis gene cluster of oscillapeptin E. There, parts of module 5 have a much more pronounced sequence similarity to module 7 of a distant relative than to the intra-cluster counterpart.



Supplementary FIG. S22. Natural exchange units vs. artificial subdomain swaps. **a**, Schematic comparison of natural exchange unit boundaries (as depicted in detail in **Fig. 5**) with artificial subdomain swaps in the engineering of $HrmO3_A$ (purple) and GrsA (green). **b**, Illustration of exchanged subdomains in the structure of $HrmO3_A$, which has been modeled with Phyre2 (Kelley et al. 2015) as well as in the crystal structure of GrsA (PDB ID: 1AMU) (Conti et al. 1997).

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