Supplementary Information

# **Mapping the biosynthetic pathway of a hybrid polyketide-nonribosomal peptide in a metazoan**

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a Thioesterase (TE) domains



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**RIL\_TE** RRHEP....PVDS.<br>**b** Condensation (C) domains



c Acyl-carrier protein (ACP) domains



### d Adenylation (A) domains



e Peptidyl-carrier protein (PCP) domains



**Supplementary Figure 1. Domain sequence alignments of PKS-1 and NRPS-1 with known functional domains. a** Sequence alignment of TE domains with Pik\_TE (Pikromycin TE domain, PDB ID: 2H7Y), Sur\_TE (Surfactin TE domain, PDB ID: 2RON), Yer\_TE (Yersiniabactin TE domain, PDB ID: 6BA8), and Rif\_TE (Rifamycin TE domain, PDB ID: 3FLA). Sequences used for TE domains are PKS-1  $TE_1$  (7559-7610) and NRPS-1  $TE_2$  (2771-2820). The catalytic serine residue is labeled with an asterisk. **b** Sequence alignment of C domains with ArfA\_C<sup>2</sup> (Arthrofactin module A C<sup>2</sup> domain), VibH\_C (Vibriobactin free-standing C domain VibH, PDB ID: 1L5A), CDA  $C_1$  (Calcium-dependent antibiotic synthase  $C_1$  domain, PDB ID: 4JN3). Sequences used for C domains are PKS-1  $C_1$  (6653-6701), NRPS-1  $C_2$  (520-563), NRPS-1 C<sub>3</sub> (1457-1502), and NRPS-1 C<sub>4</sub> (1895-1947). In the HHxxxDG motif, the second histidine (asterisk) serves as a catalytic base, and the aspartate (asterisk) is critical for the structural integrity of the active site. **c** Sequence alignment of NRPS-1\_ACP<sup>7</sup> with PKS-1\_ACP domains and *Bacillus subtilis* ACP (GenBank accession no. P80643, PDB ID: 1HY8). The conserved active site serine is marked with asterisk. Protein sequences used are PKS-1\_ACP<sub>1</sub> (719-776), PKS-1\_ACP<sup>2</sup> (1776-1833), PKS-1\_ACP<sup>3</sup> (2792-2846), PKS-1\_ACP<sup>4</sup> (2940-2997), PKS-1\_ACP<sub>5</sub> (3471-3526), PKS-1\_ACP<sub>6</sub> (5154-5207), and NRPS-1\_ACP<sub>7</sub> (267-320). **d** Sequence alignment of A domains with EntE\_A (Enterobactin module E, PDB ID: 3RG2), SidN A<sub>3</sub> (A<sub>3</sub> domain in Siderophore N synthetase, PDB ID: 3ITE), Grs A (Gramicidin S, PDB ID: 1AMU). Sequences used for A domains are PKS-1  $A_1$  (7044-7167), NRPS-1  $A_2$  (900-1019), and NRPS-1\_A<sup>3</sup> (2274-2398). The conserved glycine residue in the flexible loop involved in the interaction with the pyrophosphate leaving group during amino acid loading is marked with an asterisk.<sup>1</sup> e Sequence alignment of PKS-1\_PCP domains, NRPS-1\_PCP domains, and Yer\_PCP<sub>1</sub> (Yersiniabactin synthetase PCP1 domain, GenBank accession no. Q7CI41, PDB ID: 5U3H). The serine residue for phosphopantetheinyl postranslational modification is located in the conserved PCP motif DXFFXLGGDSL and is marked with an asterisk. Protein sequences are PKS-1\_PCP<sub>1</sub> (6462-6521), PKS-1\_PCP<sub>2</sub> (7424-7481), NRPS-1\_PCP<sub>3</sub> (1289-1346), NRPS-1 PCP<sub>4</sub> (1700-1758), and NRPS-1 PCP<sub>5</sub> (2648-2705). Alignment was generated by Clustal Omega 1.2.4 and ESPript 3.0.<sup>2</sup>



**Supplementary Figure 2. Nemamide production in wild-type and** *nrps-1* **domain mutants**. Extracted ion chromatograms for nemamide A (**a**) and nemamide B (**b**) in wild type, *nrps-1(reb8[ACP7\_S307V])*, *nrps-1(reb32[A2\_G964D])*, *nrps-1(reb31[A3\_G2337D])*, *nrps-1(reb10[C3\_H1486A])*, *nrps-1(gk186409[C4\_S1934N]; gk186410[C4\_D1971N]),* and *nrps-1(reb12[TE2\_S2803A])* worms*.* The *nrps-1(gk186409[C4\_S1934N]; gk186410[C4\_D1971N])* mutant was obtained from the Caenorhabditis Genetics Center and backcrossed four times with wild type. As indicated by the asterisks (\*), both the *nrps-1(reb32[A2\_G964D])* and the *nrps-1(reb31[A3\_G2337D])* strains produced small amounts of nemamides; the *nrps-1(reb32[A<sub>2</sub> G964D]*) strain produced 15.7 $\pm$ 3.7% nemamide A relative to wild type, and the *nrps-1(reb31[A<sub>3</sub> G2337D])* strain produced 2.7 $\pm$ 0.8% nemamide A relative to wild type, suggesting that the A domains in these mutants have some residual activity. Note that the retention times of the nemamides in the Supplementary Information are different than in the main text due to the fact that the samples were analyzed on different columns.



**Supplementary Figure 3. Production of intermediates in wild type and** *nrps-1* **domain mutants**. The production of nemamide A (**1**) and intermediates **3**, **4**, **5**, and **6** in wild type, *nrps-1(reb8[ACP7\_S307V])*, *nrps-1(reb32[A2\_G964D])*, *nrps-1(reb31[A3\_G2337D])*, *nrps-1(reb10[C3\_H1486A])*, *nrps-1(gk186409[C4\_S1934N]; gk186410[C4\_D1971N]),* and *nrps-1(reb12[TE2\_S2803A])* worms*.* The *nrps-1(gk186409[C4\_S1934N]; gk186410[C4\_D1971N])* mutant was obtained from the Caenorhabditis Genetics Center and backcrossed four times with wild type. Percentage for each intermediate in each strain was determined by comparing the amount of the intermediate (as gauged by UV at 280 nm) relative to the mean amount of nemamide A (as gauged by UV at 280 nm) in wild type. Data represent the mean of data points (indicated as open circles),  $n = 3$  independent experiments for wild type and  $n = 2$  independent experiments for all mutants. In each experiment, the worm strain was grown in large-scale culture, and the worms were collected for extraction of nemamide (for wild type) and intermediates (for wild type and mutants). Source data are provided as a Source Data file.





**Supplementary Figure 4. Mass spectrometry analysis of intermediate 3**. **a**,**b** HR-LC-MS/MS of intermediate **3**. **c** Analysis of the fragmentation patterns.





**Supplementary Figure 5. Mass spectrometry analysis of intermediate 4**. **a**,**b** HR-LC-MS/MS of intermediate **4**. **c** Analysis of the fragmentation patterns.





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**Supplementary Figure 6. Mass spectrometry analysis of intermediate 5**. **a**,**b** HR-LC-MS/MS of intermediate **5**. **c** Analysis of the fragmentation patterns.





**Supplementary Figure 7. Mass spectrometry analysis of intermediate 6**. **a**,**b** HR-LC-MS/MS of intermediate **6**. **c** Analysis of the fragmentation patterns.



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**Supplementary Figure 8. Domain sequence alignments of the C domains in NRPS-1 with the dual epimerase (E)/C domains from the arthrofactin biosynthetic pathway.** Dual E/C domains have a unique N-terminus with catalytic residues HH-D, followed by a common C domain with a catalytic motif R-HHXXXD.<sup>3</sup> The sequences of the  $C_2$  domain from NRPS-1 (residues 401-586), the  $C_3$  domain from NRPS-1 (residues 1361-1524), and the  $C_4$  domain from NRPS-1 (residues 1815-1974) were compared to the sequences of the C domains of ArfB from the arthrofactin biosynthetic pathway. Essential residues for catalysis are indicated by arrows. The C domains in NRPS-1 are missing the catalytic residues in the N-terminus that are characteristic of dual E/C domains.



#### **Supplementary Figure 9. Nemamide production in wild type and** *pks-1* **mutant strains.**

Extracted ion chromatogram for nemamide A (**a**) and nemamide B (**b**) in wild type and *pks-1(reb29[PCP2\_S7463A])*, *pks-1(reb22[A1\_G7106E])*, *pks-1(reb9[C1\_H6685A])*, *pks-1(reb11[TE1\_S7593A]),* and *pks-1(reb13[TE1\_S7593C])* mutant worms, containing mutations in the C-terminal NRPS module of PKS-1. Note that the nemamides could not be detected in the crude extracts of small-scale cultures of *pks-1(reb22[A1\_G7106E])* (as shown here), but they could be detected in very small amounts in the partially purified extracts of large-scale cultures of *pks-1(reb22[A1\_G7106E])* (as shown in Fig. 3). Note that the retention times of the nemamides in the Supplementary Information are different than in the main text due to the fact that the samples were analyzed on different columns.







**Supplementary Figure 11. Failure of T20F7.7 (***pkal-1***) and C32E8.6 to rescue each other.**  Extracted ion chromatogram for nemamide A (**a**) and nemamide B (**b**) in wild-type, the *pkal-1* mutant, the *pkal-1* mutant in which C32E8.6 was expressed under the control of its own promoter, the C32E8.6 mutant, and the C32E8.6 mutant in which *pkal-1* was expressed under the control of its own promoter. Note that the retention times of the nemamides in the Supplementary Information are different than in the main text due to the fact that the samples were analyzed on different columns.



**Supplementary Figure 12. Nemamide production in wild type and mutant rescue strains**. Extracted ion chromatograms for nemamide A (**a**) and nemamide B (**b**). Mutants were rescued by complementing with *sl2::mCherry* plasmids under control of gene promoters::genes. Note that the retention times of the nemamides in the Supplementary Information are different than in the main text due to the fact that the samples were analyzed on different columns.



**Supplementary Figure 13. Imaging of translational reporter strains.** Analysis of in translational reporter worm strains *Pnemt-1::nemt-1::sl2::mcherry* (**a**), *Ppkal-1::pkal-1::sl2::mcherry* (**b**), *PC32E8.6::C32E8.6::sl2::mcherry* (**c**), *PY71H2B.1::Y71H2B.1::sl2::mcherry* (**d**), and *PC24A3.4::C24A3.4::sl2::mcherry* (**e**) demonstrated expression of nemamide biosynthetic genes primarily in the CANs.





**Supplementary Figure 14. Mass spectrometry analysis of intermediate 7**. **a**,**b** HR-LC-MS/MS of intermediate **7**. **c** Analysis of the fragmentation patterns.





**Supplementary Figure 15. Mass spectrometry analysis of desmethyl-nemamide, 8**. **a**,**b** HR-LC-MS/MS of desmethyl-nemamide, **8**. **c** Analysis of the fragmentation patterns.



**Supplementary Figure 16. PKAL-1 is not an FACL.** Reaction of PKAL-1 with fatty acids of various lengths, ATP, and CoA did not result in the corresponding fatty acyl-CoAs. Several fatty acyl-CoAs were used as standards.







#### **Supplementary Figure 17. Sequence alignment of PKAL-1 with FAAL enzymes.** The

FAAL enzymes (in green) are ecFAAL from *Escherichia coli*, lpFAAL from *Legionella pneumophila*, mtFAAL from *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, and FadD21, FadD26, FadD30, and FadD32 from *M. tuberculosis*, and FACL enzymes (in blue), including seFACL from *Salmonella enterica*, ttFACL from *Thermus thermophilus*, asFACL from *Alcaligenes sp.*, ACSM2A from human, and FadD5, FadD7, FadD15, and FadD17 from *M. tuberculosis*. The conserved motifs, including the insertion motif that is present in the FAAL enzymes, but missing in PKAL-1 and FACL enzymes, are indicated.



**Supplementary Figure 18. Comparison of the modeled PKAL-1 structure to the structures**  of **FACL** enzymes bound to CoA substrates. PKAL-1 was modeled using Phyre2<sup>4</sup>, and six

templates 5GXD, 6EQO, 6PLJ, 5ES8, 6MFZ, and 5U89 were selected for modeling, enabling 100% of residues to be modeled at >90% confidence. Using Pymol 2.3.3, the PKAL-1 structural model was then overlaid with the structures of three FACL enzymes in the thioester-forming conformation: (**a**) 1PG4, the structure of acetyl-CoA synthetase from *Salmonella enterica* (seFACL), bound to adenosine-5'-propylphosphate and CoA (in red), (**b**) 3EQ6, the structure of the human medium-chain acyl-CoA synthetase (ACSM2A) bound to AMP and butyryl-CoA (in red), and (**c**) 3CW9, the structure of 4-chlorobenzoate:CoA ligase from *Alcaligenes sp.* (asFACL) bound to 4-chlorophenyacyl-CoA (in red). In (**a**), the seFACL structure has a beta hairpin (circled in pink), which contains R191 that binds CoA and which is missing in the PKAL-1 model. A hydrophobic pocket for the adenine ring of CoA that is formed by I196 in the beta hairpin and F193 and G165 is also missing in the PKAL-1 model. In (**b**), the ACSM2A structure has several residues, including R501, R542, Y540, and Q139, which are important for binding of the CoA substrate and which are replaced with C434, G473, L471, and E91, respectively, in the PKAL-1 model. In (**c**), the asFACL structure has several residues, including W440, S407, K477, R475, and R87, which are important for binding of the CoA substrate and which are replaced with C434, L401, G473, L471, and E91, respectively, in the PKAL-1 model.



**Supplementary Figure 19. Loading of PKS-1\_ACP<sup>1</sup> or NRPS-1\_ACP<sup>7</sup> by PKAL-1.** To determine the carrier protein specificity of PKAL-1, PKAL-1 was incubated with (**a**) holo-ACP<sup>7</sup> (positive control), ATP, and C14:0 fatty acid, or with (**b-d**) holo-ACP<sub>1</sub> from PKS-1, ATP, and C12:0 fatty acid (**b**), C14:0 fatty acid (**c**), or C16:0 fatty acid (**d**). Samples were analyzed by MALDI to determine if the fatty acid substrates were loaded onto the respective carrier proteins.



**Supplementary Figure 20. Kinetic data for PKAL-1 against various fatty acid substrates. a** PKAL-1 was analyzed in an enzyme-coupled continuous kinetic assay using C8:0, C10:0, C12:0, C14:0, and C16:0 fatty acids as substrates. Kinetic constants, including  $K_m$  (**b**),  $k_{cat}$  (**c**), and  $k_{\text{cat}}$  /  $K_{\text{m}}$  (d), were obtained using GraphPad software. Data represent the mean  $\pm$  SEM of three independent experiments. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.

<b>Species</b>	235	236	239	278	299	301	322	330	331	517
C. elegans	D	$\overline{\mathsf{V}}$	S	$\overline{F}$	T	G	I	I	W	K
C. angaria	D	V	S	$\mathbf{F}$	T	G	I	I	W	K
C. japonica	D	V	A	$\mathbf{F}$	T	G	I	V	W	K
C. brenneri	D	V	S	$\mathbf{F}$	T	G	I	I	W	K
C. remanei	D	V	S	$\mathbf{F}$	T	G	I	V	W	K
C. briggsae	D	$\boldsymbol{\mathrm{V}}$	S	$\mathbf{F}$	T	G	I	V	W	K
C. tropicalis	D	V	S	$\mathbf F$	T	G	I	I	W	K
A. suum	D	V	M	Y	F	G	I	I	W	K
T. canis	D	V	M	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	G	I	I	W	K
D. immitis	D	$\boldsymbol{\mathrm{V}}$	M	$\mathbf{F}$	Y	G	I	I	W	K
O. volvulus	D	V	$\boldsymbol{\mathrm{V}}$	$\mathbf{F}$	Y	G	I	V	W	K
L. loa	D	$\boldsymbol{\mathrm{V}}$	$\overline{\mathrm{V}}$	F	Y	G	I	V	W	K
B. malayi	D	$\boldsymbol{\mathrm{V}}$	M	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	G	I	I	W	K
P. pacificus	D	V	$\mathbf F$	F	I	G	I	I	W	K
P. exspectatus	D	V	F	F	I	G	I	I	W	K
S. carpocapsae	D	V	F	$\mathbf{F}$	Y	G	I	I	W	K
B. xylophilus	D	$\rm V$	F	F	I	G	I	I	W	K
A. ceylanicum	D	V	M	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	G	I	V	W	K
A. duodenale	D	V	M	$\mathbf{F}$	L	G	I	I	W	K
O. dentatum	D	V	L	$\mathbf{F}$	${\bf F}$	G	I	V	W	K
N. americanus	D	$\rm V$	F	F	$\rm V$	G	I	V	W	K
H. bacteriophora	D	V	$\boldsymbol{\mathrm{V}}$	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	G	I	$\rm V$	W	K
H. contortus	D	V	F	$\mathbf{F}$	F	G	I	V	W	K

**Supplementary Table 1. A domain selectivity codes for the PKS-1 A<sup>1</sup> domain from various nematode species.**



## **Supplementary Table 2. Genes with enriched expression (> 5-fold) in the CANs.**



Genes were identified using the dataset of Cao *et al.* and GExplore, applying an enrichment ratio of 5-fold in the CANs and a false detection rate of  $0.05^{5,6}$  Enrichment ratio reflects the ratio of gene expression in the cell type where the gene is most highly expressed versus gene expression in the cell type where the gene is next most highly expressed. Genes were selected for screening for involvement in nemamide production based on the putative enzymatic role of the encoded protein and the availability of a corresponding loss-of-function mutant. C03F11.4 was selected based on its proximity to *pks-1* in the genome.



## **Supplementary Table 3. Strains used in this study.**



Strain	Genotype	Sequence
RAB43	nrps-1 (gk186409[C <sub>4</sub> S1934N];	Forward: CTGAAGCCTTTATTCAGTGCCAAG
	gk186410[C <sub>4</sub> D1971N]) III	Reverse: CTTGCACTGCTAGAGCTAAGCTTC
RAB45	Y71H2B.1(gk712674) III	Forward: GGAAAGCACGGAGATTTTGAAG
		Reverse: AGTGATGGGAATGGTCTCTGTT
RAB51	$n rps-1 (reb8/ACP7 S307V) III$	Forward: GAAGGAGCAGCAAACATCGAGAA
		Reverse: ATCTGAGTGACCTGCTTTCAGAG
RAB52	$pks-1(reb9/C1 H6685A1) X$	Forward: CATCTGTAAACCCTGCAGATATTGC
		Reverse: CGGCATCGCAGAAAACTGATAATGC
RAB53	$n rps-1 (reb10/C3 H1486A))$ III	Forward: GAAGCTGGTGGAGTTGTCCAATGCT
		Reverse: GAAACTGTATCCCAGTTCTCTGGAG
RAB54	$pks-I(reb11/TE_1 S7593A])$ X	Forward: GGTGATTAAATCTGGAGTAC
		Reverse: TAGTCCAGAGAAGACGTACT
RAB55	$n rps-1 (reb12/TE2 S2803A))$ III	Forward: TCGAGACCAAACTCGGAATC
		Reverse: TCTGAGAAAATGTTCACCGG
RAB <sub>56</sub>	$pks-I (reb13/TE1 S7593C);$	Forward: GAGGTGATTAAATCTGGAGTACGGC
	reb14[TE <sub>1_</sub> G7596A]) X	Reverse: TCACTATCCGGTAGTCCAGAGAAG
RAB57	$nemt-1 (reb15)$ IV	Forward: AGTGGCTTTGCCTTTCCTCCTT
		Reverse: AGCCCTCAACTACTTCATCAGTG
RAB58	$pkal-I(reb21)$ X	Forward: GAGCTCGGGATTTCTCAAGGT
		Reverse: CAATTCTGCAACACAGAATGTCG
RAB59	$pkal-I(reb28)$ X	Forward: GAGCTCGGGATTTCTCAAGGT
		Reverse: CAATTCTGCAACACAGAATGTCG
<b>RAB60</b>	$C32E8.6$ (reb23) I	Forward: GCTTCAACTCCAGAGAATCAGG
		Reverse: CAACGGCTCTCCGCTCTTAAG
RAB61	$C32E8.6$ (reb24) I	Forward: GCTTCAACTCCAGAGAATCAGG
		Reverse: CAACGGCTCTCCGCTCTTAAG
RAB <sub>62</sub>	C24A3.4 $(reb16)$ X	Forward: CTCTGCCGTACCAGTGATGTTCTA
		Reverse: CTATCCATGTGCTACCAAACTTGTC
RAB89	$pks-1(reb22[A_1 G7106E])$ X	Forward: CACCACTATACCAATTCGAAGAACTG
		Reverse: AGTGACTTGTCAACTTTCCCACTTG
<b>RAB103</b>	pks-1(reb29[PCP <sub>2</sub> S7463A]) $X$	Forward: GAGACTCACTGAGCAATGAAACTTG
		Reverse: TCCAGATTTAATCACCTCTTCAGC
<b>RAB109</b>	$n rps-l (reb31/A3 G2337D))$ III	Forward: CTACCAGCAATTCTTTACTGCTAATTC
		Reverse: CTTCTCAATTCTACAGACATCTCCA
<b>RAB110</b>	$n rps-l (reb32[A2 G964D]) III$	Forward: CCGTATCTCAAATCATAGGCC
		Reverse: CCTATGTCCTCGCACCTTCACCTG

**Supplementary Table 4. Single worm PCR primers for mutant strains in this study.**



**Supplementary Table 5. Single-worm PCR information used to confirm genotype of wildtype and mutant worm strains used in this study.**



### **Supplementary Table 6. gRNA sequences used for CRISPR-Cas9 in this study.**

\* pTM55-FE is a modified version of pTM55 (a gift of Patrick McGrath) and was mutated to enable a higher level of recognition efficiency<sup>7</sup> by Cas9.



### **Supplementary Table 7. Repair templates used for CRISPR-Cas9 in this study.**

\* The underlined bases indicate restriction sites designed for screening worms for the desired mutations, and the bases labeled in red code for the amino acid that was mutated. Additional silent base changes made because they were necessary for creating or removing the restriction sites have not been indicated.



### **Supplementary Table 8. Primers for construction of transcriptional and translational reporter strains.**

\*The underlined bases indicate restriction sites used for plasmid construction.

\*\*Used to amplify gene promoter for insertion into pPD114.108.

\*\*\*Used to promoter and gene from genomic DNA for insertion into pBS77-SL2-mCherry.

Purpose	Name and sequence*
PKAL-1 expression vector	pkal-1 for
	CATGCCATGGGGGCGAAATATTATCCAGAAAC
	pkal-1 rev
	CATGGCGGCCGCATAGTACATTAGCCTATTC
$PKS-1$ ACP <sub>1</sub> expression vector	pks-1 acp1 for
	GCGCCCATGGGGCTTTCTGATGCGGAAATTGAGTC
	pks-1 acp1 rev
	CATGGCGGCCGCAGTTGTTGCTTTAGTAACTGGAAC
NRPS-1_ACP <sub>7</sub> expression vector	nrps-1_acp7_for
	CATGCCATGGGGAGTGAAGACTCCGATGAAGAAGT
	nrps-1 acp7 rev
	CATGGCGGCCGCTCCGGACCCCAGCGCTTTCTCAC
Mutagenesis of PKAL-1	pkal-1K488A 1
	GTCAAGTGGGGCCATTCAAAAGAATAG
	pkal-1K488A 2
	GATTTTGGCATCTCTTTTATAATTG
Mutagenesis of PKS-1 ACP <sub>1</sub>	$pks-1$ acpl 1
	ATATACCATGTACTGGTCTGATGCGGAAATTGAG
	$pks-1$ acpl 2
	CTCCTTCTTAAAGTTAAACAAAATTATTTC
Mutagenesis of NRPS-1 $\angle ACP_7$	$n$ rps-1_acp7_1
	GTACAGTGAAGACTCCGATGAAG
	$n$ rps-1 $acp$ 7 2
	CACATATATCTCCTTCTTAAAGTTAAAC

**Supplementary Table 9. Primers for construction of protein expression plasmids.**

\*The underlined bases indicate restriction sites used for plasmid construction.

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