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4 **Looking through the lens of the ribosome biogenesis evolutionary history:**
5 **possible implications for archaeal phylogeny and eukaryogenesis**

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23 **Supplementary Text 1 | On the multiple origins of halophily in archaea**

24 In the recent years, metagenomics-based genome assembly has revealed a plethora of hitherto
25 unknown microorganisms that await their taxonomic classification (Spang et al. 2017; Castelle and
26 Banfield 2018; Tahon et al. 2021 Sep 8). Among these findings, the discovery of nanosized archaea
27 which have been grouped within the DPANN (Diapherotrites, Parvarchaeota, Aenigmarchaeota,
28 Nanoarchaeota and Nanohaloarchaeota) superphylum is of particular interest (Williams et al. 2017;
29 Dombrowski et al. 2019) (**Figure 1**). These organisms possess restricted metabolic potential and are
30 believed to possess fast-evolving capacities, the latter feature making phylogenetic analysis rather
31 difficult (Castelle et al. 2018; Dombrowski et al. 2019). Among these organisms, the Nanohaloarchaea
32 are of major interest since their phylogenetic positioning is still unclear (**Figure 1**) (Narasingarao et al.
33 2012; Petitjean et al. 2014; Aouad et al. 2018; Hamm et al. 2019; Feng et al. 2021). On the one hand,
34 Nanohaloarchaea have been clustered in the rather heterogenous DPANN group as a separate entity
35 distinct from the “classical” haloarchaea (paraphyletic). On the other hand, some analyses position the
36 Nanohaloarchaea and Haloarchaea (Halobacteria) with shared ancestry (monophyletic) (Narasingarao
37 et al. 2012; Petitjean et al. 2014; Aouad et al. 2018) (**Figure 1**). The relative positioning of these two
38 groups of organisms is critical from an evolutionary point of view, since in the first scenario halophily
39 would have emerged (at least) twice independently (convergent evolution) and in the second one,
40 halophily would be the product of a unique evolutionary event (Narasingarao et al. 2012; Petitjean et
41 al. 2014; Aouad et al. 2018; Dombrowski et al. 2019). More recently, additional groups of halophilic
42 organisms, the Methanomatronarchaeia and Hikarchaeia, have been described. Similarly, the current
43 position of Methanomatronarchaeia also remains under active discussion (Sorokin et al. 2017; Aouad
44 et al. 2018; Aouad et al. 2019; Sorokin et al. 2019; Martijn et al. 2020; Feng et al. 2021) (see **Figure 1**).

45 Interestingly, we have noticed common but also divergent traits related to ribosome biogenesis and
46 function between Haloarchaea, Nanohaloarchaea, Methanomatronarchaeia and Hikarchaeia. Among
47 these characteristics, helix 45 (h45), located at the 3' end of the 16S rRNA, contributes to the formation
48 of the P-site of the SSU. Therefore, change in its structure/sequence is likely to alter ribosomal subunit
49 function, and general cellular fitness (Formenoy et al. 1994; Knüppel et al. 2021). In addition, h45 is
50 posttranscriptionally modified (Poldermans et al. 1979; van Gemen et al. 1987; Lafontaine et al. 1994:
51 1). These rRNA modifications contribute to the stabilisation of the SSU P-site (Van Charldorp et al.
52 1981; Demirci et al. 2010; Fischer et al. 2015). Recently we have reported that the dimethylation-
53 dependent reaction of the almost universally conserved ksgA/Dim1 dimethyltransferase, on two
54 universally conserved adenosines (A₁₅₁₈ and A₁₅₁₉, or A₁₄₅₁ and A₁₄₅₂, *E. coli* and *H. volcanii* numbering,

55 respectively) located in h45 is influenced by the overall sequence/architecture of h45 (Knüppel et al.
56 2021). Moreover, we could provide evidence that ksgA/Dim1 is required for archaeal cellular fitness,
57 in good agreement with its particular relevance for ribosome biogenesis; ksgA/Dim1 is the only
58 widespread conserved ribosome biogenesis factor (Ebersberger et al. 2014; Birikmen et al. 2021;
59 Knüppel et al. 2021). Based on structural feature variation, we have classified h45 in archaea into 3
60 main types (**Supplementary Figure 1A**) (Knüppel et al. 2021). Type I represents the canonical and
61 widespread structure. Type II differs from the canonical structure by the presence of a less stable G●U
62 base pairing at the end of the h45 stem, thereby widening the modified GNRA tetraloop (see
63 **Supplementary Figure 1A**) (Knüppel et al. 2021). In the case of type III, specific to Thermococcales, the
64 internal G-U base pairing present in the h45 stem is replaced by a more stabilising G-C base pairing
65 (**Supplementary Figure 1A** and below) (Formenoy et al. 1994; Knüppel et al. 2018). Interestingly, we
66 could also observe that most organisms belonging to the Methanotecta superclass (Halobacteria,
67 Archaeoglobi, Methanogens class II), and having a common ancestor, share similar h45
68 structure/sequence (classified as type II) and rRNA modification patterns, that differ from the
69 prevalent modification pattern observed in h45-type I organisms (Knüppel et al. 2021) (**Supplementary**
70 **Figure 1A-B**). Interestingly, the Nanohaloarchaea, and DPANN members, apart from the Altarchaeota,
71 do not show the h45 structure and/or sequence similarities with the group mentioned above (Knüppel
72 et al. 2021). Similarly, the Methanomicrobia do not contain the genuine type II-h45 architecture
73 found in the Methanotecta group, but the type I architecture prevalent in most of the other
74 Euryarchaeota and Crenarchaeota members, in agreement with their placement diverging before the
75 Archaeoglobales (Sorokin et al. 2017; Aouad et al. 2018; Aouad et al. 2019; Sorokin et al. 2019) (see
76 **Supplementary Figure 1A-B**). In contrast, the Hikarchaeota, are showing the classical Methanotecta
77 h45 type II architecture, in agreement with their proposed phylogenetic placement (see **Figure 1**)
78 (Martijn et al. 2020).

79 Our previous study also provides evidence that h45 sequence/structural variation, specifically
80 observed in the Thermococcales group (h45 type III) (**Supplementary Figure 1B**), is a poor substrate
81 for the ksgA/Dim1 modification reactions in heterologous context, in comparison to the native
82 Thermococcales cellular context, thereby suggesting the presence of additional adaptation to
83 compensate this single nucleotide sequence variation (Knüppel et al. 2021). Finally, previous mutation
84 analyses of h45 also suggested the requirement of additional sequence/structural integrity of h45 stem
85 for completion of the ksgA/Dim1-dependent modifications and optimal ribosomal function (Formenoy
86 et al. 1994; Knüppel et al. 2021). This highlights the functional consequences and essential adaptations
87 that might be necessary to tolerate sequence/structure changes within h45 observed during the
88 course of evolution (see **Supplementary Figure 2**).

89 The structural/sequence diversity of h45 within the DPANN group is summarised in **Supplementary**
90 **Figure 3**. Considering that h45 contributes to the formation of the P-site of the SSU and changes in its
91 structure/sequences may significantly alter ribosomal subunit function, and general cellular fitness
92 (Formenoy et al. 1994; Knüppel et al. 2021), the h45 evolution trajectories is likely not infinite and its
93 potential diversity limited by its functional integrity and/or the capacity to evolve compensatory
94 mechanisms. Intuitively the expectation of such functional constraints would likely result in limited
95 diversity within closely related groups of organisms, as observed throughout the Methanotecta
96 superclass. In other words, strong functional selection will more likely favour stepwise functionally
97 neutral trajectories over deleterious ones (Nei 2005). Therefore, understanding the biological
98 consequences of the possible evolutionary trajectories of key ribosomal subunit functional elements,
99 like h45, may be an important resource to provide additional experimental evidence to the
100 directionality of complex evolutionary history and support phylogenetic positioning.

101 In addition to h45, other rRNA elements are of interest to support putative evolutionary trajectories.
102 For example, h31, another 16S rRNA elements contributing to the formation of the SSU P-site is worth
103 investigating. Similar to h45, h31 is posttranscriptionally modified. Interestingly, the same relative
104 residue (*E. coli* G₉₆₆, *H. volcanii* U₉₁₀ and *S. cerevisiae* U₁₁₉₁) is universally modified, however, the
105 chemical nature of this rRNA modification differs between bacteria, and archaea/eukaryotes (Grosjean
106 et al. 2008; Piekna-Przybyska et al. 2008; Ferreira-Cerca 2017). In *E. coli*, G₉₆₆ is based-methylated by
107 RsmD (Lesnyak et al. 2007). In contrast, in archaea and eukaryotes, specific addition of 3-amino-3-
108 carboxypropyl (U-acp3) modification (U₉₁₀ or G₉₆₆, *H. volcanii* and *E. coli* numbering, respectively) is
109 performed by the archaeal and eukaryotic specific aminocarboxypropyltransferase Tsr3 (Twenty S
110 rRNA accumulation 3) (Grosjean et al. 2008; Li et al. 2009; Meyer et al. 2016). During ribosome
111 biogenesis, helix 31 is an important interaction hub that is sequentially associated with various
112 ribosome biogenesis factors in eukaryotes, most of which have functional homologues in archaea
113 (Wurm et al. 2010; Meyer et al. 2011; Meyer et al. 2016; Ferreira-Cerca 2017; Knüppel et al. 2018).
114 Ultimately, the actions of these diverse factors facilitate the cooperative folding of different structures
115 within the head domain of the SSU that are functionally crucial (Knüppel et al. 2018; Mitterer et al.
116 2019; Parker et al. 2019; Huang et al. 2020; Huang and Karbstein 2021; Plassart et al. 2021). Moreover,
117 during translation elongation, h31 (among other helices) is described as a conserved structural pivot
118 point driving ribosomal subunit motion induced by the specific binding of the universally conserved
119 translation elongation factor EF-G (known as aEF2 and eEF2 in archaea and eukaryotes, respectively)
120 (Paci and Fox 2015; Paci and Fox 2016).

121 Eukaryotic Tsr3 sequence homologues are widely distributed in archaea (Ebersberger et al. 2014;
122 Birikmen et al. 2021) and the presence of h31 modification (U-acp3) has been established in *Haloflexax*

123 *volcanii* (Grosjean et al. 2008). Interestingly, the DPANN group shows sequence/structure variation in
124 this region, which might significantly alter the maturation process of this helix (**Supplementary Figure**
125 **1A and 1C**). Moreover, Tsr3 is not identified in most of these cellular contexts (Ebersberger et al. 2014;
126 Mendler et al. 2019; Birikmen et al. 2021), thereby suggesting a similar evolutionary trajectory in the
127 DPANN phylum of this functionally relevant region. In contrast, most of the Methanotecta superclass
128 and the newly characterised Hikarchaeia show classical h31 structure/sequence and the presence of
129 Tsr3 (see **Supplementary Figure 1A and 1C**) (Mendler et al. 2019). However, the Archaeoglobales and
130 Methanonatroarchaeia seem to commonly lack Tsr3 (Mendler et al. 2019), and the
131 Methanonatronarchaeia h31 additionally lacks the modified uridine at the expected position (see
132 **Figure 1D**). Understanding functional consequences on Tsr3-dependent modification and ribosome
133 function of this sequence/structural diversity will provide key information regarding the evolutionary
134 plasticity of this region.

135 Another interesting example is the 330 Daltons rRNA modification of unknown chemical nature added
136 by a yet unknown enzyme at the base of h44, on the third cytosine (C^{N330}) (C_{1404} or C_{1352} , *E. coli* and *H.*
137 *volcanii* numbering, respectively) of three conserved consecutive cytosines (C_{1402-4} or $C_{1350-52}$, *E. coli* and
138 *H. volcanii* numbering, respectively) (Grosjean et al. 2008). This rRNA modification has been at least
139 observed in the bacterium *Thermotoga maritima*, and the archaeon *Haloferax volcanii*, but not in
140 eukaryotes (Guymon et al. 2007; Grosjean et al. 2008). Whereas the modified cytosine (C_{1404} or C_{1352} ,
141 *E. coli* and *H. volcanii* numbering, respectively) is conserved in most archaea, it is mutated to a uridine
142 in Nanohaloarchaea and some other DPANN members (see **Supplementary Figure 1A**). Whether the
143 neighbouring cytosines (C_{1402-3} or $C_{1350-51}$, *E. coli* and *H. volcanii* numbering, respectively) can be
144 modified instead or whether this modification is present at all, in this group of organisms, is not known.
145 Although the role of the C^{N330} modification is not established, rRNA modifications and thus the
146 respective enzymes are believed to fine-tune ribosome function (Decatur and Fournier 2002; Sloan et
147 al. 2016 Dec 2). Therefore, perturbations of the substrate region might have significant consequences
148 on cellular fitness and the evolutionary trajectories enabling this change may not be favourable. Again,
149 in this context, the Nanohaloarchaea have a striking structural/sequence signature in a key strategical
150 functional region of the SSU which more likely reflects a rather unique evolutionary history distinctive
151 from other haloarchaea.

152 As illustrated above, the rRNA modifications and their respective molecular machinery, and very likely
153 other fundamental aspects of ribosome biogenesis, are co-evolving with their respective rRNA
154 substrates. Accordingly, the resulting evolutionary constraints and adaptations to maintain or modify
155 these processes may help providing insights to support (or contradict) relative phylogenetic placement
156 (see also discussion on the organisation of rRNA genes below). Particularly, the extent of shared

157 functional and structural converging features may provide additional arguments supporting the
158 “functional plausibility” [see (Forterre 2015) and below] of unstable phylogenetic relationships, like
159 e.g., the relative phylogenetic positioning of halophilic archaea discussed above. In our opinion, the
160 examples mentioned are supportive of multiple origins of halophily.

161 Yet, going beyond the presented selected examples and expanding the functional evolutionary history
162 towards more ribosomal constituents will be required to provide further insights into the archaeal
163 evolutionary history. This endeavour is, however, mostly limited by our current understanding of
164 ribosome biogenesis in archaea.

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166 **Supplementary Text 2 | On the monophyly of Archaea: 1D vs 2D vs 3D and the ribosome 167 biogenesis viewpoint**

168 Not only can sequence/structural variations within the rRNA coding region provide phylogenetic
169 information but also the sequences surrounding the mature SSU and LSU rRNA, i.e., the external and
170 internal transcribed spacers that are part of the rRNA genes transcriptional unit (see **Supplementary
171 Figure 4**). These sequence elements participate in the ribosome biogenesis process and are therefore
172 under functional selection (Liang and Fournier 1997; Thomson et al. 2013; Henras et al. 2015; Davis
173 and Williamson 2017; Ferreira-Cerca 2017; Baßler and Hurt 2019; Klinge and Woolford 2019; Jüttner
174 et al. 2020; Londei and Ferreira-Cerca 2021). The rRNA spacers sequences contain important structural
175 and sequence information required for rRNA processing (Jüttner et al. 2020; Zhang et al. 2020). The
176 rationale behind utilising rRNA spacer sequences is that these sequences tend to diversify faster than
177 the rRNA itself, but the underlying variations are still under sufficient selective constraint that could
178 provide phylogenetic information. For example, the sequence of eukaryotic ITS2 separating the 5.8S
179 rRNA and the 25/28S rRNA is used in phylogenetic analysis of eukaryotes (Koetschan et al. 2010; Zhang
180 et al. 2020). This idea has also been embraced by the archaeal field, at least in its early days, and has
181 been explored by the group of Roger Garrett (Kjems and Garrett 1990). In this early study, the emphasis
182 was to establish structural models of rRNA spacer sequences at a time when the debate was more
183 centred on establishing archaea as an independent domain of life. The secondary structure
184 conservation analysis of the rRNA transcribed spacers has revealed that despite sequence diversity,
185 these spacers adopt archaeal specific conserved structures that are distinguishable from the bacterial
186 spacer structures (and the eukaryotic structures as well) (see **Supplementary Figure 4**). In other words,
187 these analyses supported the monophyly of archaea (Kjems and Garrett 1990). Since the 1990s, a vast
188 amount of completed genomes have become available and the time has probably come to revisit the
189 sequence/structure information of these regions surrounding the rRNA and additionally employ RNA

190 structure-based phylogeny (Wolf et al. 2005; Lindgreen et al. 2006; Knies et al. 2008; Wolf et al. 2013).
191 Furthermore, it is crucial to obtain information on the functional relevance and plasticity of these
192 regions (Jüttner et al. 2020) and assess their utilisation in phylogenetic analysis.

193 The spacer sequences in modern eukaryotes have evolved in such a manner that any archaeal ancestry
194 signal has been erased during the independent evolution of the eukaryotic lineage and the expansion
195 of the eukaryotic ribosome biogenesis pathway. In the light of the newly defined Asgard archaea or
196 DPANN, it is important to determine if these spacers regions are still structurally conserved across
197 archaea, thereby further indicating a fundamental common trait of ribosome synthesis in archaea. We
198 envision that the sequence/structure diversity of these flanking spacer regions may help stabilise
199 phylogenetic relationships within archaea, like the origin of halophily and other still difficult
200 phylogenetic placements (e.g., DPANN relationships).

201 In agreement with the work of the Garrett laboratory, the bacterial, archaeal and eukaryotic ribosomes
202 and their ribosome biogenesis pathways are essentially distinguishable beyond any doubts as three
203 different entities. They have more or less functional similarities that are reminiscent of 1) their
204 respective close common ancestry, 2) similar inherited molecular constraints for which diverse
205 molecular solutions have been (re)engineered at critical shared ancestral cellular nodes (Londei and
206 Ferreira-Cerca 2021).

207 Recently, Cavalier-Smith (Cavalier-Smith and Chao 2020) and Devos (Devos 2021), have revisited a 1D
208 model where archaea and eukarya would emerge from a common bacterial ancestor located within
209 the PVC (Planctomycetes, Verrucomicrobia and Chlamydiae) superphylum, and strongly argue against
210 previous criticisms that have challenged this concept (Cavalier-Smith and Chao 2020; Devos 2021). As
211 mentioned above, only a sub-fraction of r-proteins are universally conserved and additional r-proteins
212 are either specific to bacteria, archaea and/or eukaryotes, or only conserved between archaea and
213 eukaryotes (Londei and Ferreira-Cerca 2021). Interestingly, although some r-proteins are non-
214 homologous they are positioned into similar topological environments, thereby suggesting non-
215 homologous convergent evolution (Forterre 2015; Cavalier-Smith and Chao 2020). From a ribosome
216 biogenesis and function perspective, the main criticism of the 1D scenario is the non-homologous
217 replacement of all the bacterial specific r-proteins (Forterre 2015; Cavalier-Smith and Chao 2020). In
218 contrast, in a 2D/3D scenario, the universal ribosomal core (Melnikov et al. 2012) made by the
219 universally conserved r-proteins would be essentially diversified into bacterial, archaeal and eukaryotic
220 ribosomal subunits by acquisition/loss of r-proteins. In addition to previous arguments (Forterre 2015;
221 Cavalier-Smith and Chao 2020), and unless assuming that all bacterial specific r-proteins were all
222 functionally dispensable in the already evolved LUCA (Cavalier-Smith and Chao 2020), it is difficult to
223 explain the absence of any remnants of these r-proteins in some cytosolic archaeal/eukaryotic

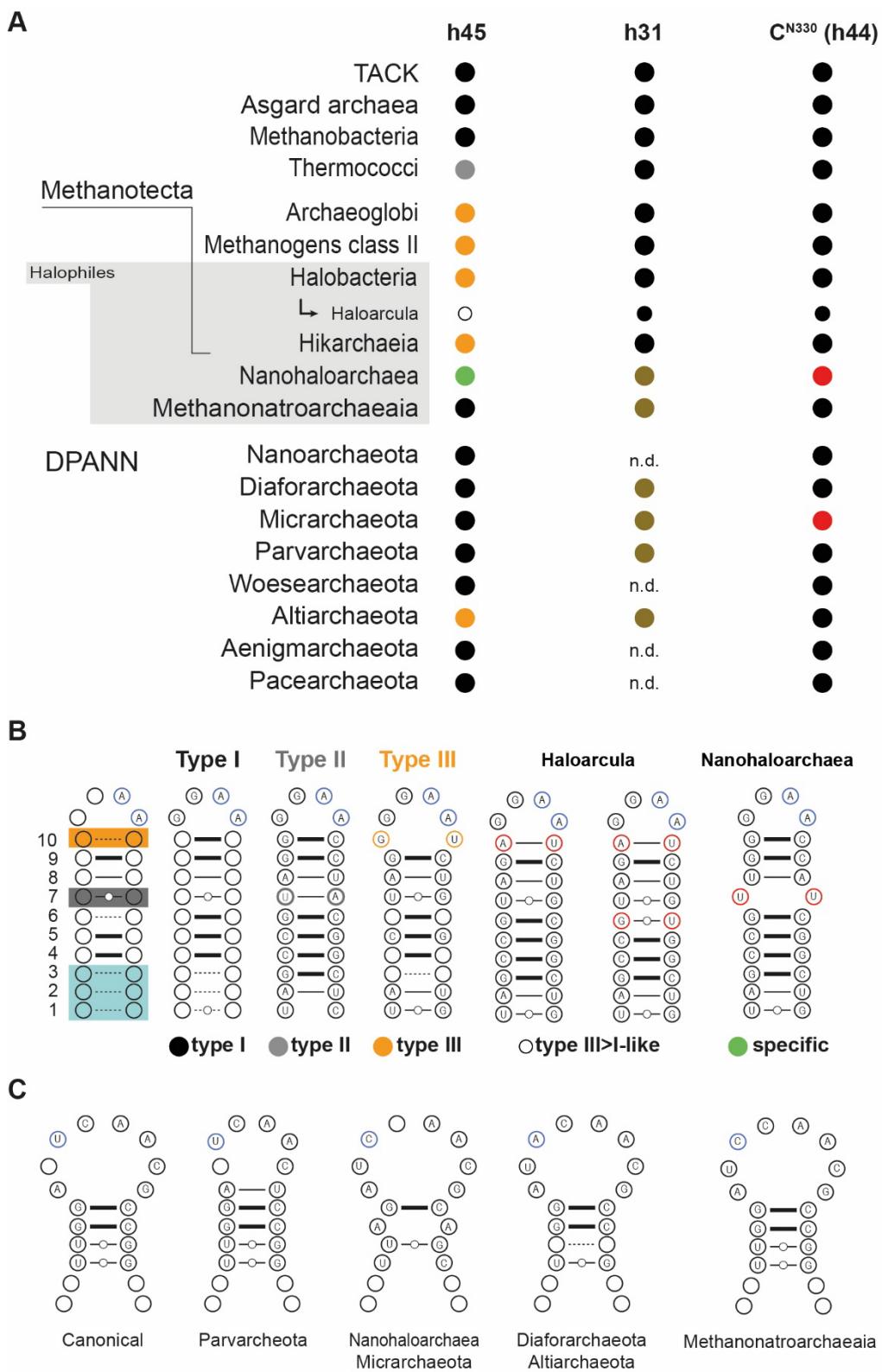
224 ribosomes. Similarly, it is equally difficult to explain the universal presence of functionally dispensable
225 non-homologous r-proteins. Stepwise [see accretion model reviewed in (Petrov et al. 2015; Bowman
226 et al. 2020)], convergent evolution stabilising important functional/structural features of the
227 primordial ribosomal subunit, the universal core, appears in our opinion a more likely phenomenon of
228 ribosome evolution.

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231 **Supplementary Figures**

232 **Supplementary Figure 1**



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235 **Supplementary Figure 1 | Examples of rRNA sequence/structure changes highlighting archaeal**
236 **phylogenetic diversity.**

237 **A) Examples of structure/sequence diversity of selected SSU features across archaea.**

238 Structure/sequence diversity of selected SSU structural features, like helix 45 and 31 (h45 and h31) or the C^{N330}
239 modification at the base of helix 44 [C^{N330} (h44)] are depicted. Note that the chemical nature and enzyme
240 responsible for the C^{N330} RNA modification of an apparent size of 330 Daltons located at a conserved cytosine
241 (C¹⁴⁰⁴ or C¹³⁵², *E. coli* and *H. volcanii* numbering, respectively) at the base of h44 is currently unknown. Black dot
242 indicates the “canonical” structure/sequence commonly found in archaea. For helix 45 grey, orange, green and
243 open dots indicate h45 structures/sequence subtypes found in the respective group of organisms. For helix 31
244 and C^{N330} (h44) modification non-canonical features are marked in brown and red, respectively. The
245 corresponding structure/sequence features for h45 and h31 are depicted in more detail in panels C and D,
246 respectively.

247 n.d.: indicates that the structure/sequence of the corresponding feature could not be determined
248 unambiguously. All representative 16S rRNA sequences were obtained from DOE-JGI, NCBI and/or the SILVA
249 database.

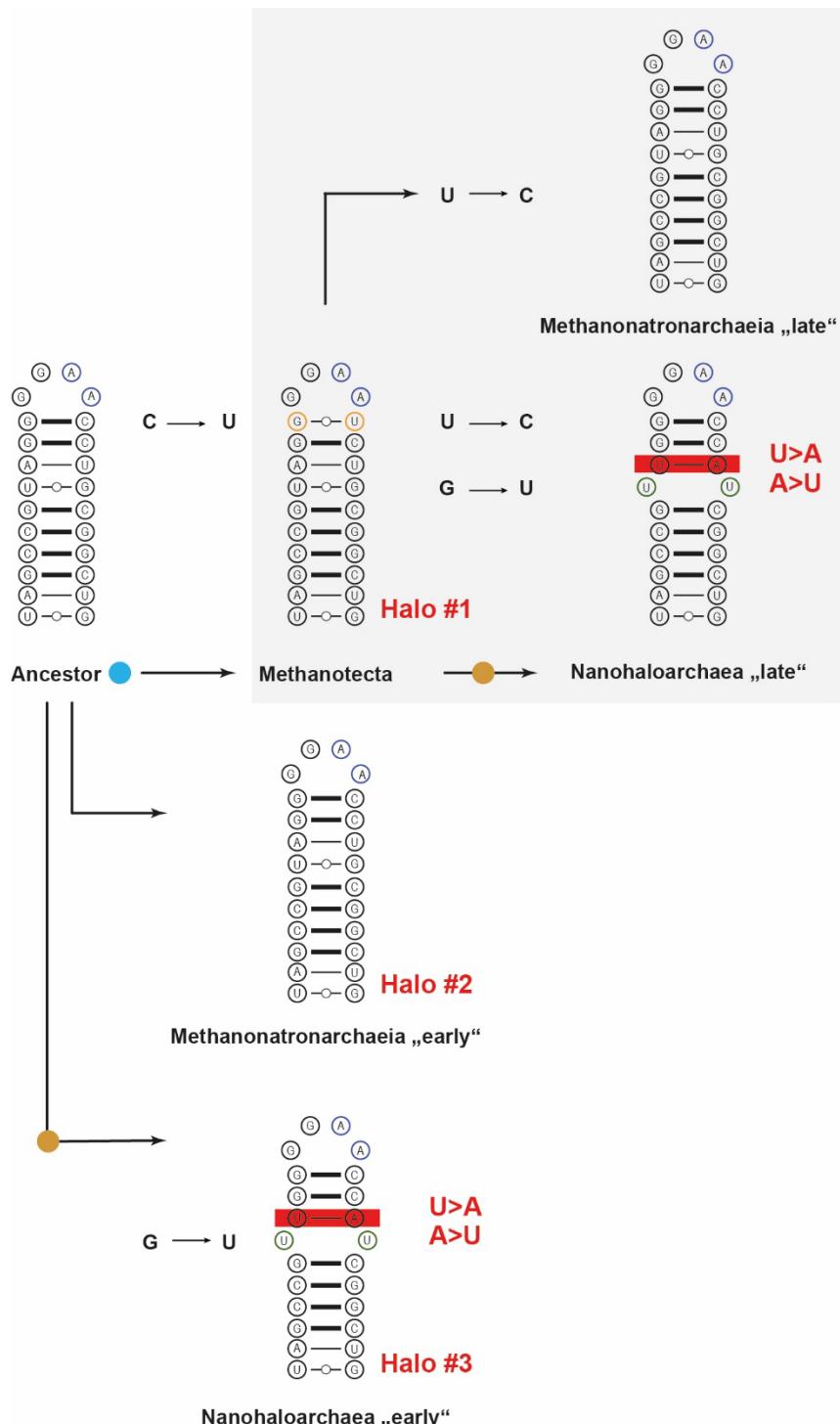
250 **B) 16S rRNA helix 45 secondary structure diversity across archaea.**

251 Archaea were classified into 3 major archaeal groups (type I, II and III) based on h45 sequence alignments and
252 structure predictions of representative members of these groups (Knüppel et al. 2021). Base-pairing numbering
253 (1-10) was annotated from the base of the h45 stem. When invariant the corresponding nucleotides and nature
254 of the base-pairing (G-C larger line, A-U thinner line, or G●U dotted thinner line) are provided. Base pairing
255 variability (G-C, A-U or G●U) is indicated by a dashed thinner line. An average representative archaeal h45
256 structure based on all the compiled sequences is depicted (upper left) (Knüppel et al. 2021). Note that the first 6
257 nucleotides forming the first 3 base pairs (indicated in blue) are relatively diverse in comparison to the almost
258 invariant base-pairs at positions 4-6 and 8/9 across archaea. Variability at the G●U base-pairing at position 7
259 observed in type II and at position 10 specific to the type III group are indicated in grey and orange, respectively.
260 Additional, exemplary structural sub-types restricted to a subset of archaeal organisms are provided. Figure panel
261 is modified from (Knüppel et al. 2021). All representative 16S rRNA sequences were obtained from DOE-JGI, NCBI
262 and/or the SILVA database and secondary structure predictions were performed using the Vienna RNA web suite
263 (Gruber et al. 2008). See (Knüppel et al. 2021) for additional details.

264 **C) 16S rRNA helix 31 secondary structure diversity across archaea.**

265 Selected exemplary sequences and associated secondary structure predictions found in the indicated organisms
266 are provided. Same as in panel C) secondary structure predictions were performed on selected 16S rRNA
267 sequences as described above. Blue circled nucleotide indicates the position of the U-acp3 modification. Note
268 the absence of uridine at this specific position in a subset of archaeal organisms.

270 Supplementary Figure 2



273 **Supplementary Figure 2 | Putative evolutionary trajectories of h45 structure/sequence across**
274 **halophilic archaea.** Putative evolutionary trajectories of h45 from a common ancestor according to the
275 different evolutionary scenarios of halophily origins. Note that the structure/sequence of the common ancestor
276 is supported by the prevalence of this structure/sequence across archaea but may still be arbitrary. Necessary
277 nucleotide exchanges are indicated. Note that in a monophyletic scenario of halophily, the Methanotecta
278 hallmark (G-U base pairing at the tip of h45, indicated in orange) which modifies the ksgA/Dim1-dependent
279 modification pattern (Knüppel et al. 2021), needs to be reversed multiple times to accommodate this
280 evolutionary trajectory. The universally conserved and modified (demethylated) adenosines are indicated in
281 blue. Base pairing flip A-U to U-A is underlined in red. The biological consequences of the h45 partial opening in
282 Nanohaloarchaea are currently unknown. Blue and brown dots indicate the presence of linked and unlinked 16S-
283 23S rRNA genes, respectively.

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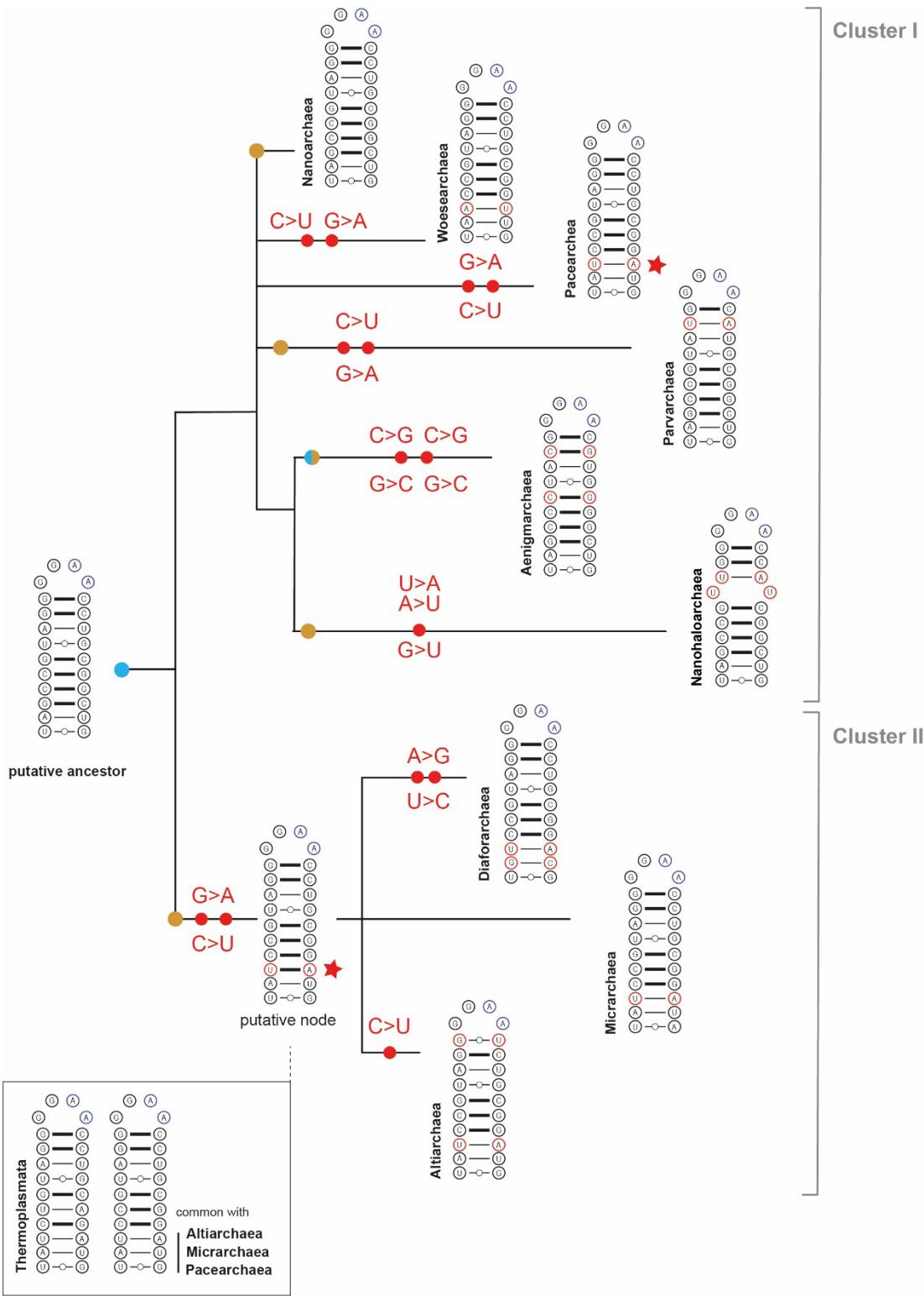
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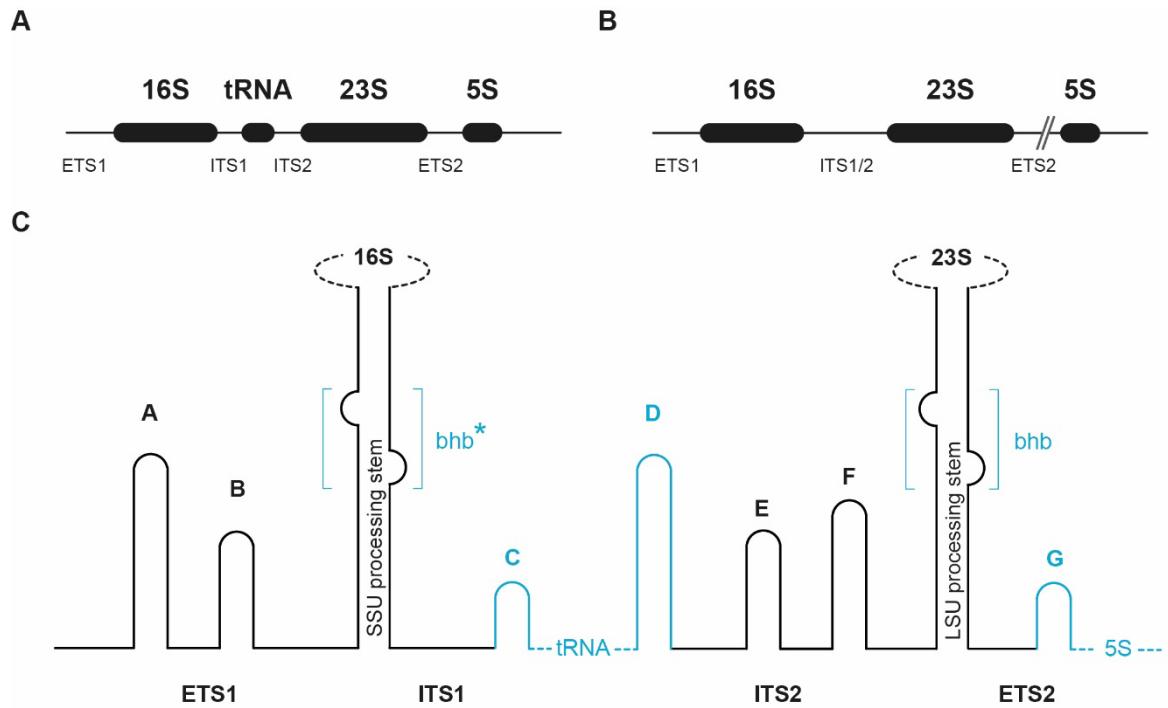
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308 **Supplementary Figure 3 | h45 structure/sequence variations across the DPANN superphylum.**
309 Putative evolutionary trajectories of h45 within the DPANN superphylum according to Dombrowski's recent
310 phylogeny (Dombrowski et al. 2020). Note that the structure/sequence of the common ancestor is supported by
311 the prevalence of this structure/sequence across archaea but may be still arbitrary. Necessary nucleotide
312 exchanges are indicated. Note the structure similarity of structure/sequence of the Pacearchaea and the
313 common ancestor of Cluster II and Thermoplasmatales (red star), indicative of a common or convergent
314 evolutionary history of the h45 structure/sequence. The universally conserved and modified adenosines are
315 indicated in blue. Base pairing flip A-U to U-A is underlined in red. The biological consequences of the h45 partial
316 opening in Nanohaloarchaea are currently unknown. Blue and brown dots indicate the presence of linked and
317 unlinked 16S-23S rRNA genes, respectively. The presence of either linked or unlinked rRNA genes organisation
318 in different individual organisms classified as Aegnimarchaea is indicated by a half blue/brown dot.

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320 **Supplementary Figure 4**

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324 **Supplementary Figure 4 | Typical rRNA genes organisation in archaea**

325 **A) Typical rRNA genes organisation in Euryarchaeota**

326 Ribosomal RNA transcriptional unit architecture containing the 16S rRNA, tRNA, 23S rRNA and 5S rRNA separated
327 by transcribed spacers typically found in Euryarchaeota is depicted.

328 **B) Typical rRNA genes organisation in Crenarchaeota**

329 Same as in panel A) except that the 16S and 23S rRNAs are not separated by a tRNA, and the 5S rRNA can, in
330 some cases, be unlinked from the main transcriptional unit as indicated by the //.

331 **C) Conserved structural elements found in the rRNA spacer sequences in archaea.**

332 Schematic representation of conserved structural elements found in the rRNA spacer sequences, based on
333 (Kjems and Garrett 1990), are depicted. Note the presence of helix A, B, E and F and the processing stems of the
334 SSU and LSU in both Euryarchaeota and Crenarchaeota analysed, whereas helix C, D and G (indicated in blue)
335 are presumably restricted to Euryarchaeota (Kjems and Garrett 1990). The processing stems are cleaved at the bulge-
336 helix bulge motif (bhb) by the tRNA splicing endonuclease, a step required for the formation of archaeal-specific
337 circular rRNA precursor intermediates (Jüttner et al. 2020; Qi et al. 2020 May 23; Schwarz et al. 2020). Note that
338 the 16S bhb is absent or not well predicted in various archaea and is indicated with an * (Kjems and Garrett 1990;
339 Jüttner et al. 2020; Qi et al. 2020 May 23). The size and the exact structure of the different helices vary between
340 the organisms analysed (Kjems and Garrett 1990). ETS1: external transcribed spacer 1; ITS1: internal transcribed
341 spacer 1; ETS2: external transcribed spacer 2; ITS2: internal transcribed spacer 2.

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534 **Supplementary Note**

535 **Relative distribution of linked and unlinked rRNA genes organisation in archaea**

536 It is currently difficult to accurately assess the numbers and distribution of unlinked and linked rRNA
537 genes organisation across archaea. Some of the current limitations to do so are highlighted below:

538 1) The quality of the data analysed

539 As mentioned in the main text rRNA genes assembly are particularly challenging when performed from
540 short-read metagenomics datasets. High quality complete (closed) genomes ideally obtained from
541 enriched/pure cultures or long reads sequencing technologies provide more accurate genomes
542 assembly. However, the amounts of such genomes remain limited for archaea.

543 2) Representativity of the available data

544 The available data may be biased due to scientific focus and feasibility. These parameters influence
545 sampling strategies, like the type of sampled environments and ultimately the type of data that are
546 available (or missing). High-quality genomes assemblies are also predominantly available for organisms
547 that are easily amenable to enrichment/pure cultures.

548 The relative distribution across archaea of linked/unlinked rRNA genes organisation can be assessed
549 based on the recent study of Brewer and collaborators.

550 This study has analysed rRNA genes organisation using two types of data: those available at NCBI (up
551 to January 2019) and long-reads sequencing from different types of selected environments.

552 According to this study, less than 5 % of the TACK superphylum (~75 total analysed) and slightly more
553 than 5% in Euryarchaeota (~200 total analysed) of the “complete” genomes deposited in the NCBI
554 database are unlinked (>12,000 genomes of bacteria and archaea were analysed, archaea representing
555 a very small portion of these).

556 In the same study and based on long-read sequencing data: 50% of the TACK (46 total analysed) and
557 slightly more than 5% of the Euryarchaeota (433 in total analysed) have unlinked rRNA genes
558 organisation.

559 If combining both datasets, around 22% of the TACK superphylum and 7.5% of the Euryarchaeota
560 analysed have unlinked rRNA genes.

561 From this example, it is expected that these relative numbers will be substantially revised in the coming
562 years. However, large amounts of high-quality data across diverse biotopes will be necessary to
563 minimize possible distribution bias.

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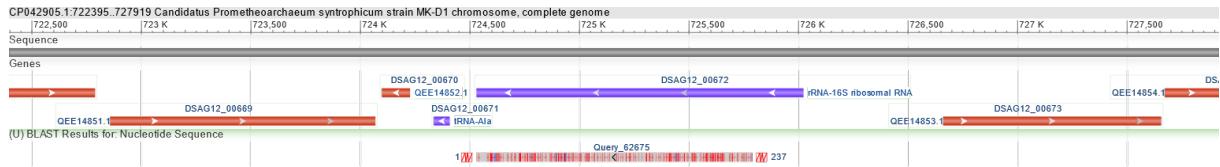
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566 **Supplementary Data Source: examples of unlinked and linked rRNA genes**
567 **organisation in archaea.**

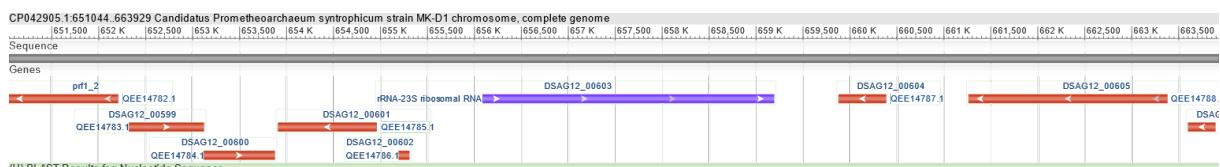
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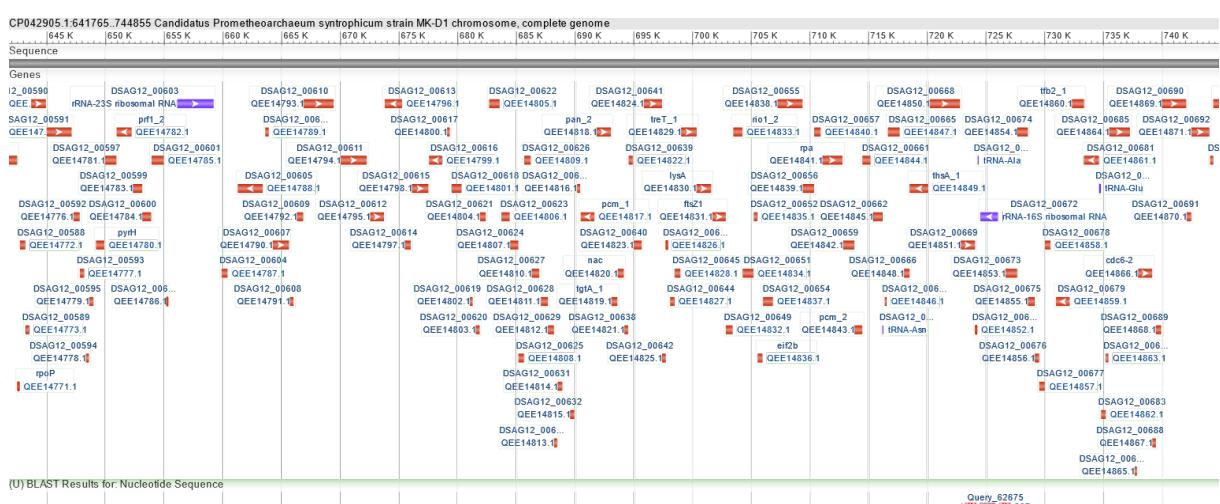
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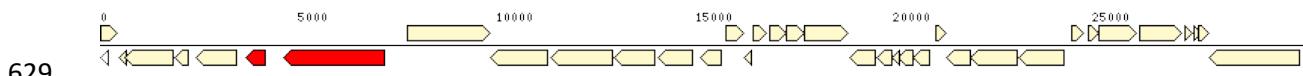
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630 2417-3454: pyrophosphate-dependent phosphofructokinase

631 3663 -7182: 23S rRNA (3663-4177 + 4620-7182)

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634 **Candidatus Thorarchaeota archaeon AB_25**

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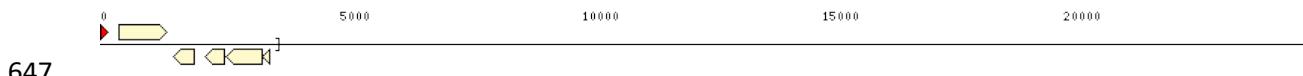
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648 1-116 16S rRNA

649 395-1381: hypothetical

650 1532-1963: hypothetical

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652 **23S rRNA (no linked 2S9**

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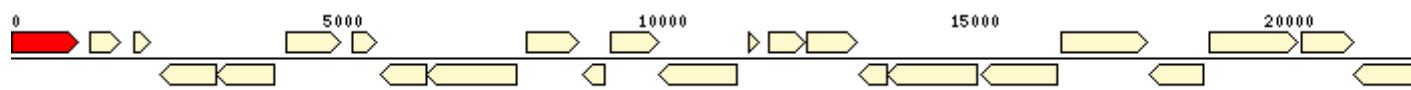
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665 1-1060: 23S rRNA

666 1248-1727: hypothetical

667 1951-2208: hypothetical

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669 5S rRNA

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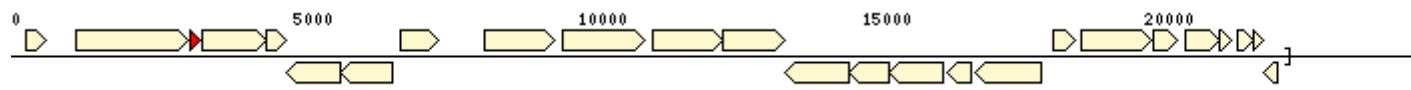
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682 1152-3134 hypothetical

683 3161-3279: 5S rRNA

684 3355-4482: hypothetical

685 4490-4855: hypothetical

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687 **Candidatus Thorarchaeota archaeon SMTZ1-83**

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691 **16S rRNA**

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696 **16S rRNA #1 (no linked 23/5S)**

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702 - Neighbourhood:

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706 **1-516: 16S rRNA**

707 945-1565: protein-S-isoprenylcysteine O-methyltransferase

708 1589-1801 hypothetical

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710 **16S rRNA #2 (inconclusive)**

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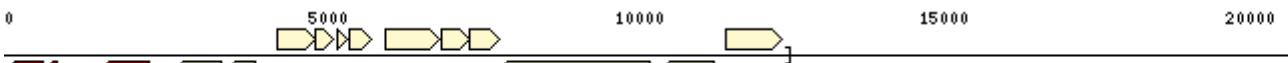
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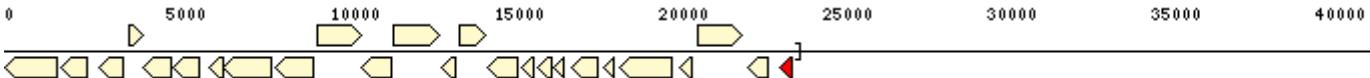
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730 - Neighbourhood:



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732 22651-23277: hypothetical

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23639-24031: **23S rRNA**

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735 **Wukongarchaeote WOR431 - LMSG_G000000612.1**

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Source: <https://www.biosino.org/elmsg/record/MSG071613>

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Query sequence 16S and 23S rRNA from *Ca. Prometheoarchaeum syntrophicum*

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Wukong 16S rRNA on contig_4272291: 3'end of 16S rRNA not included (end of contig) – not conclusive

740

Wukong 23S RNA on contig_681832: no 16S rRNA detected within the ~ 7kb upstream of 23S rRNA (Contig size 24392 bp)

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743 **Wukongarchaeote WOR133 - LMSG_G000000613.1**

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Source: <https://www.biosino.org/elmsg/record/MSG071614>

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Query sequence: 16S and 23S rRNA from *Ca. Prometheoarchaeum syntrophicum* and Wukongarchaeote WOR431

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Wukong 16S rRNA on contig: unknown

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Wukong 23S RNA on contig_2017418 (18783 bp) no 16S rRNA detected within the >7 kb upstream of 23S rRNA

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751 **Njordarchaeote GB154**

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Source: <https://www.biosino.org/elmsg/record/MSG071612>

753 Query sequence: 16S and 23S rRNA from *Ca. Prometheoarchaeum syntrophicum* and
754 Wukongarchaeote WOR431

755 16S rRNA on contig_2337563

756 23S rRNA on contig_4560732 (size 51154 bp) (23S located between ~ 24-27 kb), no matching with 16S
757 in contig_2337563, 16S rRNA from *Ca. Prometheoarchaeum syntrophicum* and Wukongarchaeote
758 WOR43

759 **Njordarchaeote GB136**

760 Source: <https://www.biosino.org/elmsg/record/MSG071611>

761 16S rRNA unclear

762 23S rRNA on contig_199659 (size 5396 bp) (only partial sequence found 3'en 23S at the 5 'end of the
763 contig).

764 **Sigynarchaeote SQRJ88**

765 Source: <https://www.biosino.org/elmsg/record/MSG071617>

766 23S rRNA contig_1571010 (size 58759 bp) ... no 16S rRNA detected in 3kb upstream

767 16S rRNA (partial) contig_558645 (size 29383): unclear 16S but no 23S in contig

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769 **Candidatus Odinarchaeota archaeon LCB_4**

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773 **16S rRNA**

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776 **23S rRNA**

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781 16S and 23S rRNA are indicated in black

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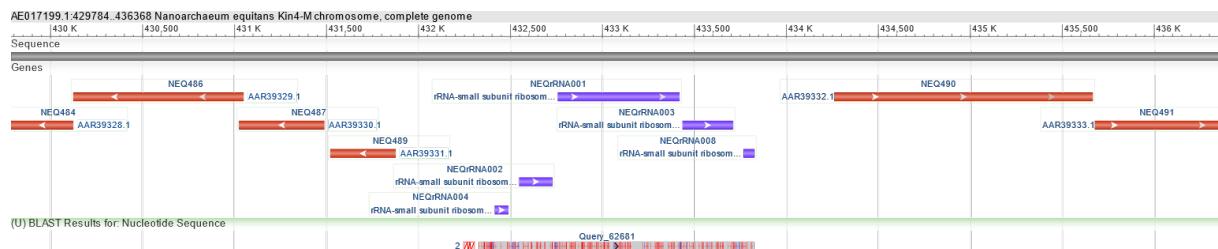
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784 **Nanoarchaeum equitans Kin4-M chromosome, complete genome**

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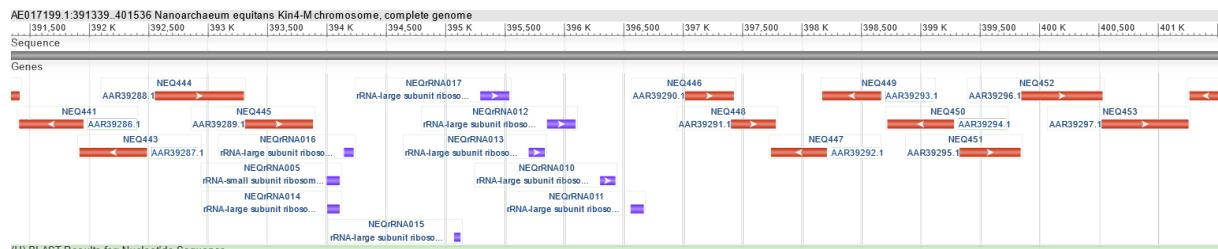
786 **16S rRNA**



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789 **23S rRNA**



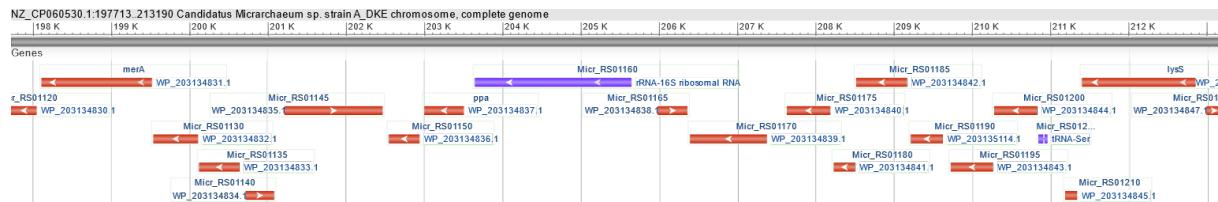
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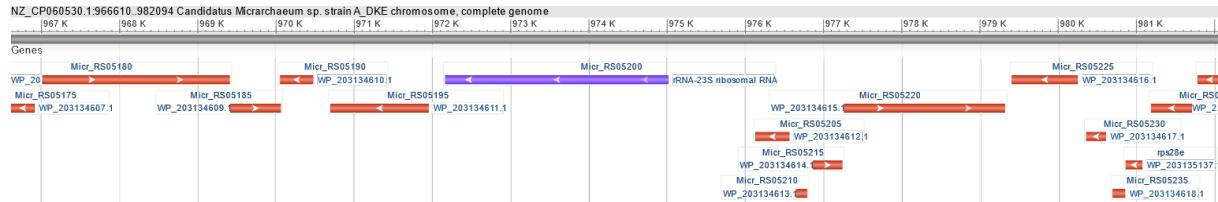
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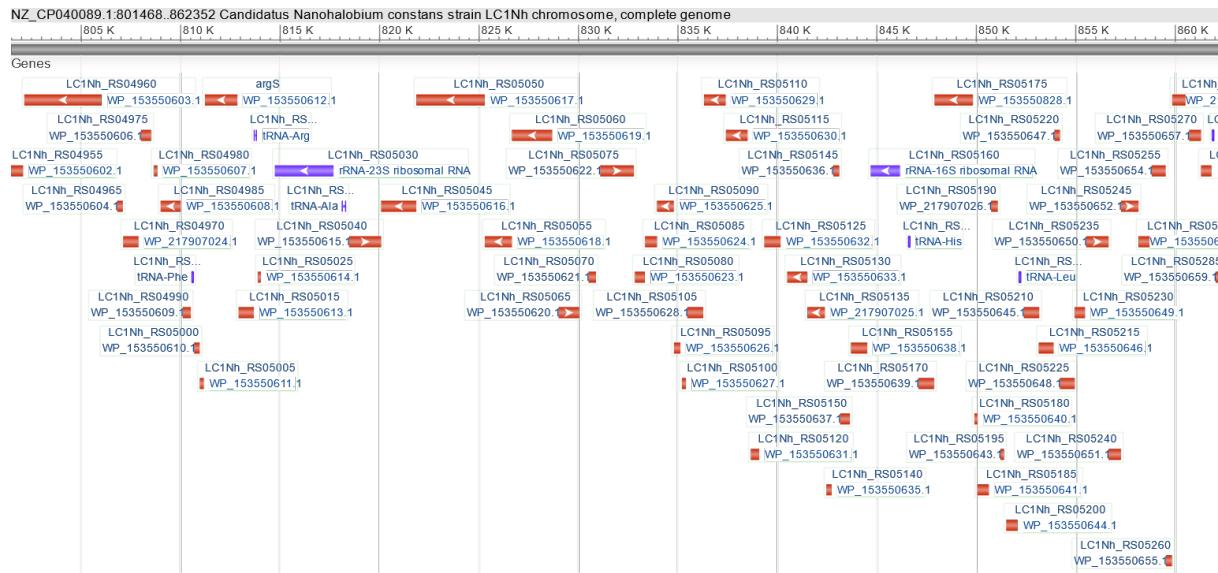
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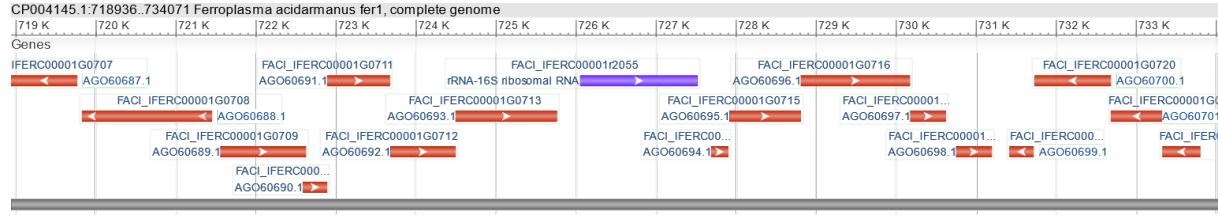


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801 *Ferroplasma acidarmanus fer1*, complete genome

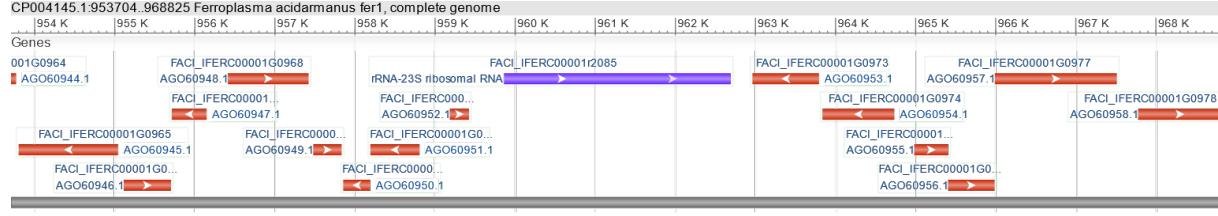
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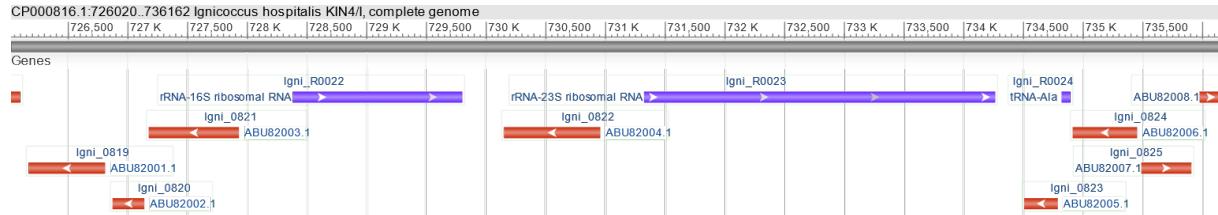
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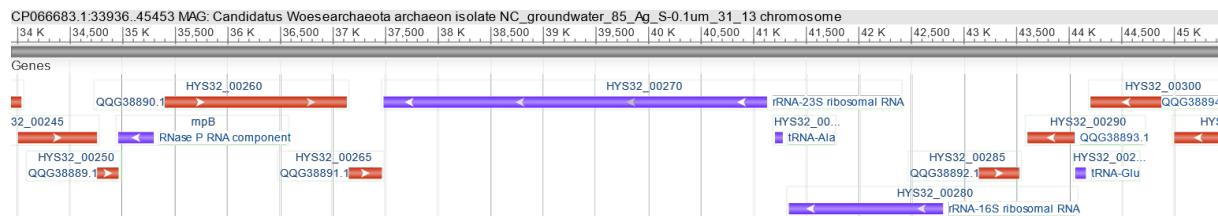
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809 *Ignicoccus hospitalis KIN4/I*, complete genome

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811 *Candidatus Woesearchaeota archaeon isolate NC_groundwater_85_Ag_S-0.1um_31_13*
chromosome

813 GenBank: CP066683.1



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816 Woesearchaeota archaeon ARS106

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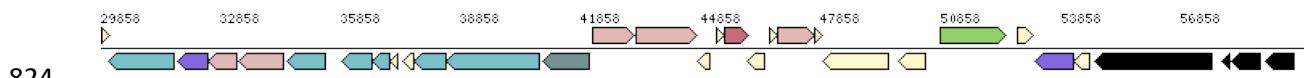
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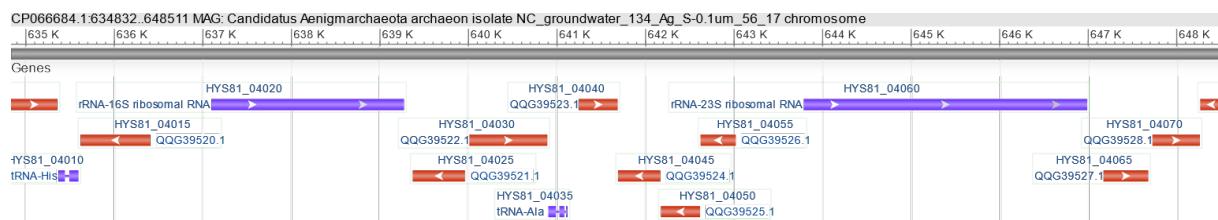
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825 23S- tRNA-16S rRNA in black

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827 Candidatus Aenigmarchaeota archaeon isolate NC_groundwater_134_Ag_S-0.1um_56_17 chromosome

828 GenBank: CP066684.1



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831 Candidatus Aenigmarchaeota archaeon LHA6

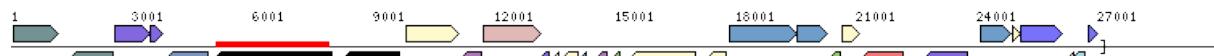
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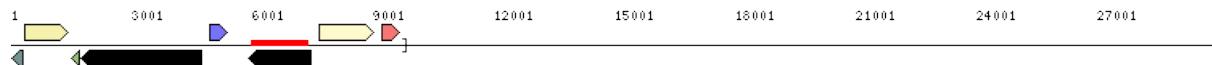
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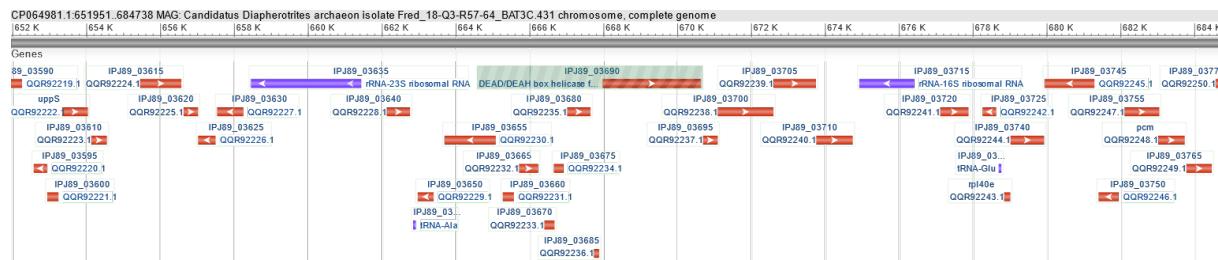
851 4934-5380: membrane-associated phospholipid phosphatase

852 **5905-7456: 16S rRNA**

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854 **Candidatus Diapherotrites archaeon isolate Fred_18-Q3-R57-64_BAT3C.431 chromosome, complete genome**

856 **GenBank: CP064981.1**



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859 **Candidatus Nanosalinarum sp. J07AB56**

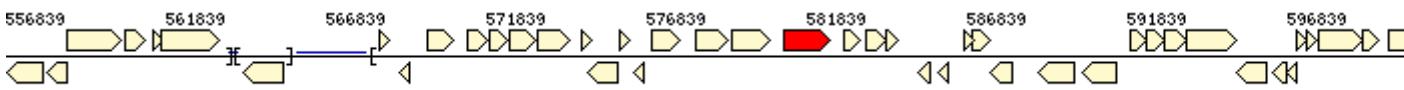
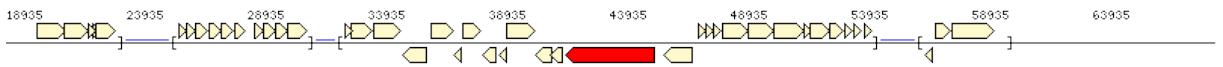
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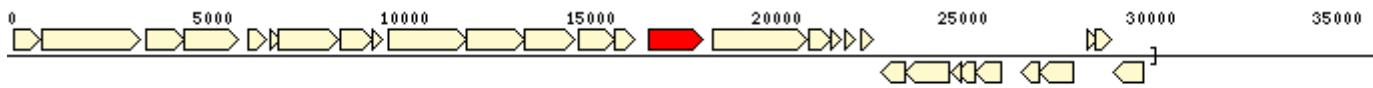
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 874 581094-582580: 16S rRNA
 875 582980-583507: hypothetical
 876 **23S rRNA**
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 888 41497-41961: cytidine deaminase
 889 42089-45778: 23S rRNA
 890 46139-47326: Cytochrome c biogenesis protein
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 892 **Candidatus Altiaarchaeales archaeon WOR_SM1_86-2**
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909 16274-16828: arginine decarboxylase

910 14193-18661: 16S rRNA

911 18927-21428: hypothetical

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913 23S rRNA

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925 1243-1784: thymidylate kinase

926 1928-4816: 23S rRNA

927 4869-6269: RecJ-like exonuclease

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929 Candidate division Huberarchaea archaeon CG_4_9_14_0_8_um_filter_31_21

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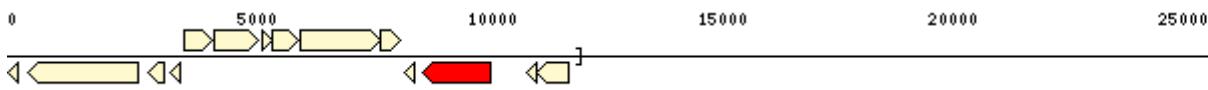
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945 **Candidatus Pacearchaeota archaeon CG10 (Unlinked? – ambiguous) Unusual long spacers**

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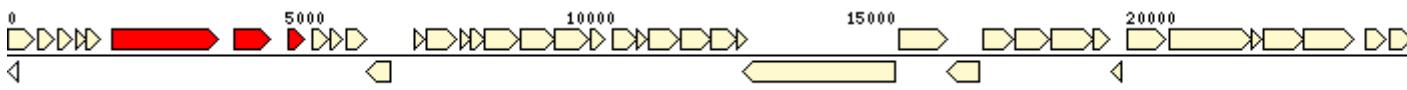
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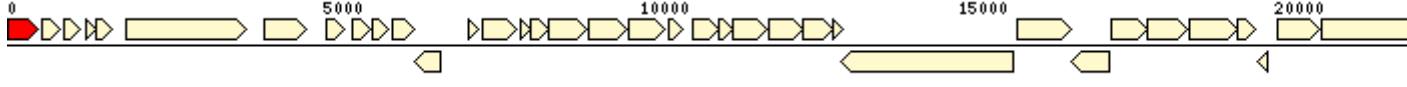
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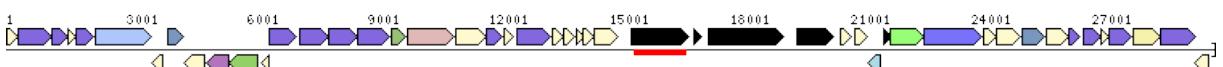
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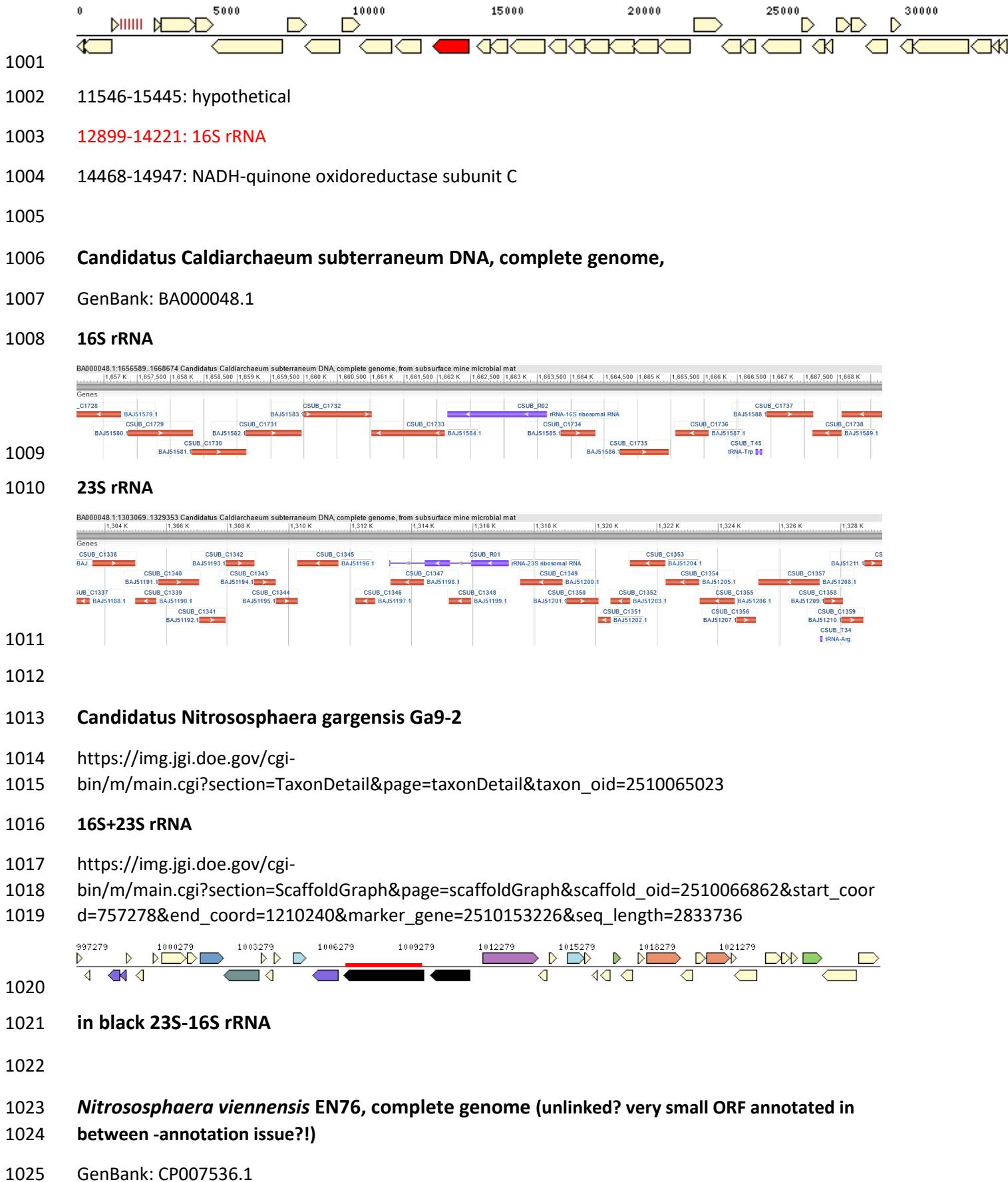
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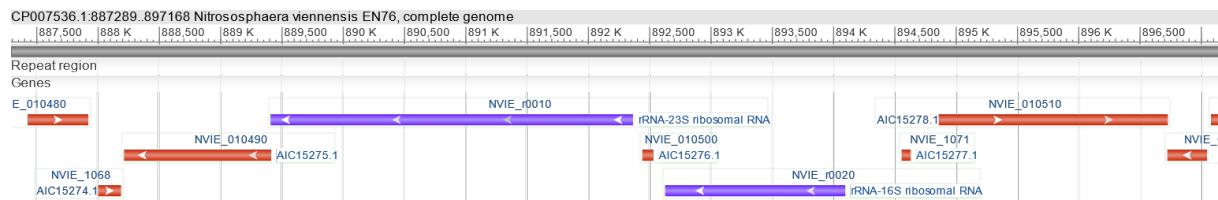
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965 **895-1164: hypothetical**

966 **1242-1312: tRNA Ala**

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 968 1876-5304: 23S rRNA
 969 5545-5720: hypothetical
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 971 **Pacearchaeota archaeon SCGC AG-274-K21**
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 983 in black 16S – tRNA Ala – 23S rRNA
 984 Similar organisation in Pacearchaeota archaeon NP1466 (probably including annotation error
 985 overlapping with tRNA Ala).
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 993 **16S rRNA**
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1028 **Nitrosopumilus sp. Nsub**

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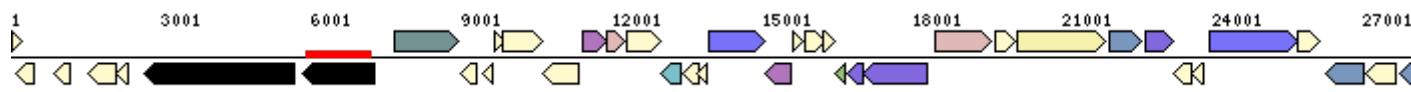
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1035 **16S +23S**

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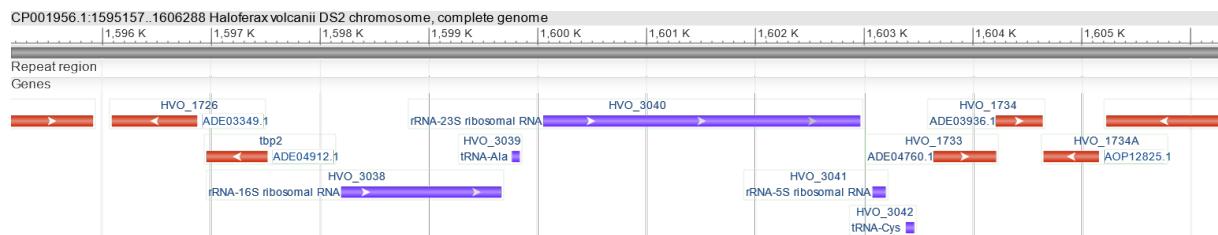
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1043 **Haloferax volcanii DS2, complete sequence**

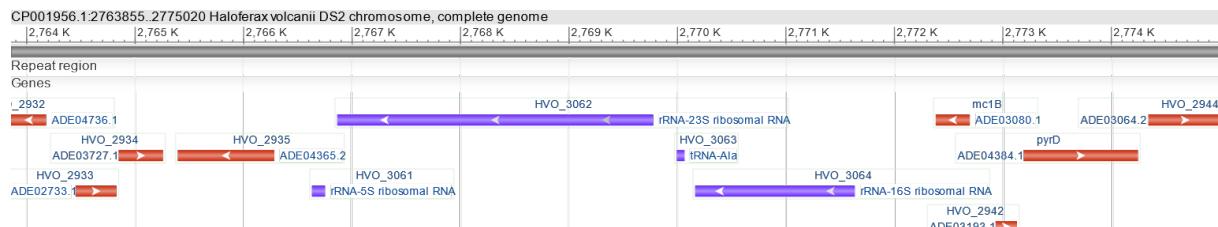
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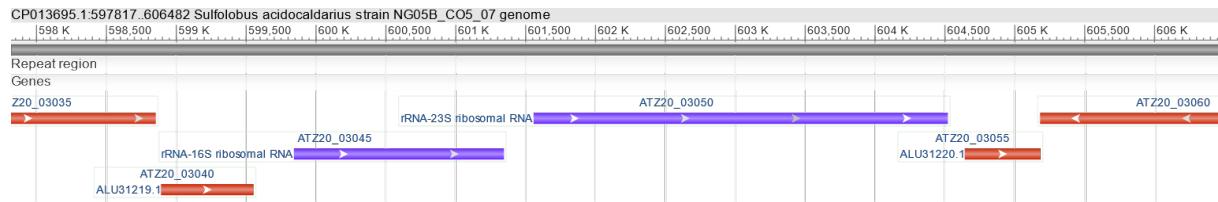
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1050 *Sulfolobus acidocaldarius* strain NG05B_CO5_07 genome

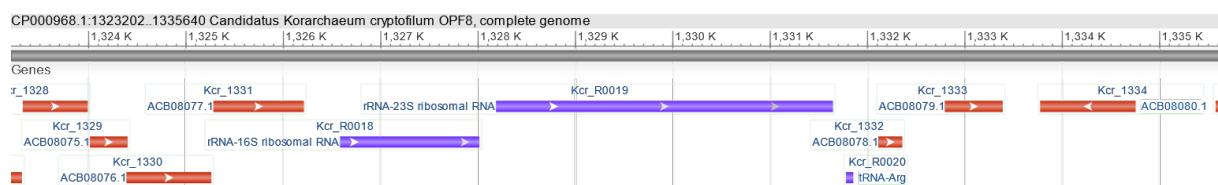
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1053 *Candidatus Korarchaeum cryptofilum* OPF8, complete genome

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1058 *Methanomatronarchaeum thermophilum* AMET1

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1061 16+23S rRNA

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1066 in black 23S-tRNA Ala-16S

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1068 *Candidatus Methanoperedens nitroreducens* ANME-2d (ANME_V10)

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1071 16S+23S rRNA

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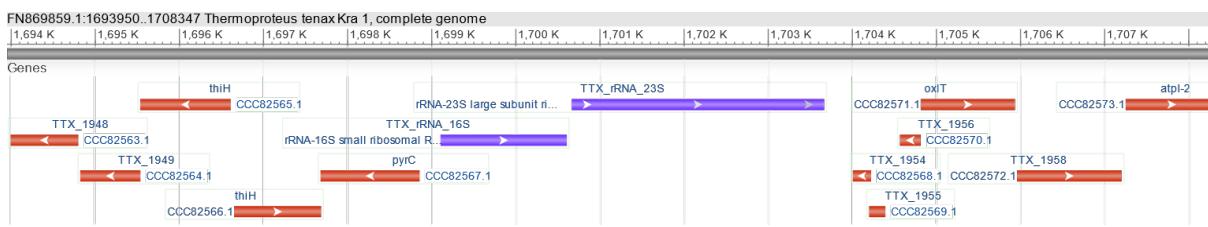
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1079 *Thermoproteus tenax* Kra 1, complete genome

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