Supporting Information

Investigating the Reactivities of a Polyketide Synthase Module through Fluorescent Click Chemistry

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EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURES

Synthesis of methylmalonyl-S-N-acetylcysteamine thioester (mm-S-NAC, 1)

Mono-tert-butyl methylmalonic acid. To methyl meldrum's acid (8.5 g, 138 mmol) was added *tert*butanol (40 mL) and pyridine (2 mL). The mixture was heated at 80 °C for 24 hrs. The reaction was then cooled to 23 °C and concentrated *in vacuo* to furnish mono-*tert*-butyl methylmalonic acid.

Tert-butyl-methylmalonyl-S-N-acetylcysteamine. To a stirred solution of 1-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-3-ethylcarbodiimide hydrochloride (EDCI; 3.9 g, 21 mmol, 1.1 eq) in dichloromethane (DCM, 60 mL) at 23 °C was added triethylamine (TEA; 2.9 mL, 21 mmol, 1.1 eq). To the yellow solution was added the mono-*tert*-butyl methylmalonic acid (3.0 g, 19 mmol, 1.0 eq) followed by *N*-acetylcysteamine (NAC; 2.0 mL, 21 mmol, 1.1 eq). The resulting solution was stirred for 48 hrs, then diluted with ethyl acetate (50 mL) and washed with 0.1 M HCl (4 x 10mL). The organic layer was dried over sodium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*.

Methylmalonyl-S-N-acetylcysteamine. To a stirred solution of *tert*-butyl-methylmalonyl-*S*-NAC (500 mg, 1.8 mmol, 1.0 eq) in DCM (9 mL) at 0 °C under argon was added 4.0 M HCl in dioxane (4.5 mL, 18 mmol, 10.0 eq). After 18 hrs, the reaction was concentrated *in vacuo* and purified by dry flash column chromatography (silica, eluting with 10:1 DCM:methanol) to afford compound **1**. ¹H NMR characterization was consistent with a previously reported synthesis (1).

<u>Methylmalonyl-S-N-acetylcysteamine thioester (mm-S-NAC, 1)</u> ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.71 (q, 1H, *J* = 7.2), 3.48 (q, 2H, *J* = 6.0), 3.10 (dtd, 2H, *J* = 47.6, 14.2, 6.4), 1.98 (s, 3H), 1.45 (d, 3H, *J* = 7.2)

Synthesis of methylmalonyl-ethanethiol thioester (mm-S-Et, 2)

To a round-bottom flask charged with methylmalonic acid (10 g, 5 mmol, 1.0 eq), was added 4dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP; 1 g, 8.5 mmol, 0.1 eq) followed by toluene (250 mL). Upon stirring, phosphoryl chloride (POCl₃; 8.8 mL, 93 mmol, 1.1 eq) was added followed by the dropwise addition of ethanethiol (6.9 mL, 93 mmol, 1.1 eq). The reaction was heated to 60 °C under an argon atmosphere. After 18 hrs, the reaction was cooled to 23 °C and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was suspended in DCM, and purified via dry flash column chromatography (silica, eluting with an ethyl acetate:hexanes gradient from 1:9 to 1:3) to furnish compound **2**.

<u>Methylmalonyl ethanethiol thioester (2)</u> ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.67 (q, 1H, *J* = 7.1), 2.94 (q, 2H, *J* = 7.4), 1.47 (d, 3H, *J* = 7.2), 1.28 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.4)

Synthesis of 3, 6-10

To a round-bottom flask charged with 75 mL of anhydrous DCM cooled to 0 °C under an atmosphere of argon was dissolved EDCI (1.054 g, 5.5 mmol, 1.1 eq), TEA (773 μ L, 5.5 mmol, 1.1 eq), 4-pentynoic acid (6 and 8, 490 μ L, 5.0 mmol, 1.0 eq) or 5-hexynoic acid (3 and 9, 562 μ L, 5.0 mmol, 1.0 eq) or 6-heptynoic acid (7 and 10, 633 μ L, 5.0 mmol, 1.0 eq), and catalytic DMAP (307 mg, 2.5 mmol, 0.5 eq). The reaction was stirred on ice for 10 min before the addition of NAC (3, 6-7, 504 μ L, 4.75 mmol, 0.95 eq) or ethanethiol (8-10, 342.3 μ L, 4.75 mmol, 0.95 eq) and was allowed to warm to room temperature. After 16 hrs, the reaction was concentrated *in vacuo* and the remaining oil was resuspended in 50 mL of water. The product was extracted with ethyl acetate (1 x 150 mL) and the organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, and product was concentrated *in vacuo*. Products were purified by dry flash column chromatography (silica, eluting with 10:90 ethyl acetate:hexanes) to afford title compounds 3, 6–10. Products were characterized by ¹H NMR.

<u>5-Hexynoyl-S-N-acetylcysteamine (3)</u> ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.80 (bs, 1H), 3.44 (q, 2H, J = 6.0), 3.04 (t, 2H, J = 6.6), 2.74 (t, 2H, J = 7.6), 2.26 (dt, 2H, J = 6.9, 2.6), 1.99 (t, 1H, J = 2.6), 1.97 (s, 3H), 1.89 (m, 2H, J = 7.7)

<u>4-Pentynoyl-S-N-acetylcysteamine (6)</u> ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.78 (bs, 1H), 3.44 (q, 2H, J = 6.0), 3.06 (t, 2H, J = 6.6), 2.81 (t, 2H, J = 7.3), 2.54 (dt, 2H, J = 7.2 and 2.6), 1.99 (t, 1H, J = 2.6), 1.96 (s, 3H)

<u>6-Heptynoyl-S-N-acetylcysteamine (7)</u> ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.80 (bs, 1H), 3.43 (q, 2H, J = 6.1), 3.03 (t, 2H, J = 6.6), 2.61 (t, 2H, J = 7.3), 2.21 (dt, 2H, J = 7.1, 2.7), 1.97 (s, 3H), 1.96 (t, 1H, J = 2.7), 1.79 (m, 2H, J = 7.6), 1.60-1.53 (m, 2H, J = 7.1)

<u>4-Pentynoyl-S-ethanethiol (8)</u> ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.90 (q, 2H, J = 7.4), 2.77 (t, 2H, J = 7.2), 2.53 (dt, 2H, J = 6.8 and 2.6), 1.98 (t, 1H, J = 2.6), 1.25 (t, 3H, J = 7.4)

<u>5-Hexynoyl-S-ethanethiol (9)</u> ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.88 (q, 2H, *J* = 7.4), 2.68 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.2), 2.25 (dt, 2H, *J* = 6.9 and 2.8), 1.98 (t, 1H, *J* = 2.7), 1.88 (m, 2H, *J* = 7.8), 1.25 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.4)

<u>6-Heptynoyl-S-ethanethiol (10)</u> ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.87 (q, 2H, J = 7.4), 2.57 (t, 2H, J = 7.3), 2.21 (dt, 2H, J = 7.0, 2.6), 1.95 (t, 1H, J = 2.6), 1.79 (m, 2H, J = 7.8), 1.60-1.53 (m, 2H, J = 7.5), 1.25 (t, 3H, J = 7.4)

Synthesis of 15

To a round-bottom flask charged with a stir bar and 2 (50 μ L, 0.37 mmol, 2.0 eq) under an atmosphere of argon was added anhydrous tetrahydrofuran (THF; 1 mL) and magnesium ethoxide (21.4 mg, 0.19 mmol, 1.0 eq). To a separate round-bottom flask charged with a stir bar and 5-hexynoic acid (63 μ L, 0.56 mmol, 3.0 eq) under an atmosphere of argon was added anhydrous THF (3 mL) and carbonyldiimidazole (CDI; 90.8 mg, 0.56 mmol, 3.0 eq). Reactions were stirred at room temperature. After 1 hr, the reaction generating the magnesium salt of methylmalonyl ethanethioester was concentrated *in vacuo*. To the residue, the solution of the acyl imidazole was added, and the reaction was stirred under argon for an additional 16 hrs. The reaction was concentrated *in vacuo* and resuspended in 0.1 M HCl (10 mL) and ethyl acetate (50 mL). The organic layer was washed with 0.1 M HCl (1 x 30 mL) and then with saturated sodium chloride (1 x 10 mL). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, and product was isolated *in vacuo*. The product was purified by dry flash column chromatography (silica, eluting with 5:95 ethyl acetate:hexanes) to afford compound **15**.

<u>(2*RS*)-Methyl-3-oxo-hept-6-ynoyl-*S*-ethanethiol (15)</u> ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.74 (q, 2H, *J* = 7.1), 2.92 (q, 2H, *J* = 7.4), 2.79 (m, 2H, *J* = 27.6), 2.22 (m, 2H), 1.94 (t, 1H, *J* = 2.6), 1.38 (d, 3H, *J* = 7.1), 1.26 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.4)

Synthesis of sulforhodamine B azide

Synthesis of 2-azidoethanol followed previously described method (2). A 25 mL Schlenk flask was charged with 2-azidoethanol (17 mg, 0.19 mmol, 1.1 eq), TEA (2.6 μ L, 0.19 mmol, 1.1 eq) and DCM (5 mL). The resulting solution was cooled to 0 °C and allowed to stir for 10 min. A sulforhodamine B acid chloride solution in 5 mL DCM (100 mg, 0.17 mmol, 1.0 eq) was subsequently added dropwise via syringe. The resulting solution was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min and then allowed to stir at room temperature. Upon reacting for 12 hrs, the product was isolated *in vacuo* to afford a metallic green residue. The product was first to elute upon purification by dry flash column chromatography (silica, eluting with 90:10 chloroform:methanol).

Engineering EryMod6TE mutant plasmids

The formation of EryMod6TE plasmid was described previously (3). Site-directed mutagenesis of EryMod6TE plasmid was performed to engineer mutant plasmids using single-step mutagenesis protocol outlined by Liu and coworkers with the following primers (italics depicts overlapping region and alanine residue is underlined) (4): ΔKS forward 5'-ACCTGT GCCGTCGGAGAAGGTCGGACCACCGGAATGTGAGGCGAAACCG-3'; ΔKS reverse 5'-GGC TTAGAAGGTCCGGCGGTAACCGTGGACACGGCAGCCTCTTCCAGCC-3'; 5'- ΔAT forward *CGGCAATAGCCAGTA<u>CGA</u>GTCCCG*CTTTAACGCCGCCGGCAGCAC-3'; ΔАТ reverse 5'-CGT GTGGGGTGAGCCCGTCAGCCGTTATCGGTCATGCTCAGGGC-3'; ΔTE forward 5'-CAG

GCCACGCCGCCGCGCGCACTCATGGCCTATGCACTCGCGAC-3'; ΔTE reverse 5'-CGTG GGAACCACTGTTTGGAAAGCACCATC*GTCCGGTGCGGCGGCCGC-3'*.

PCR reaction conditions to engineer ΔKS , ΔAT and ΔTE plasmids was performed using the following conditions (50 mL total volume reactions): 1X Phusion GC buffer, 5 ng EryMod6TE plasmid, 1 mM each corresponding forward and reverse primers, 200 mM dNTPs, 3% v/v DMSO and 3 U Phusion DNA polymerase.

PCR reaction conditions to engineer Δ KS+AT plasmid was performed using the following conditions (50 mL total volume reactions): 1X Phusion GC buffer, 5 ng Δ AT plasmid, 1 mM each Δ KS forward and reverse primers, 200 mM dNTPs, 3% v/v DMSO and 3 U Phusion DNA polymerase.

PCR reaction conditions to engineer Δ KS+TE plasmid was performed using the following conditions (50 mL total volume reactions): 1X Phusion GC buffer, 5 ng Δ TE plasmid, 1uM each Δ KS forward and reverse primers, 200 mM dNTPs, 3% v/v DMSO and 3 U Phusion DNA polymerase.

PCR reaction conditions to engineer Δ AT+TE plasmid was performed using the following conditions (50 mL total volume reactions): 1X Phusion GC buffer, 5 ng Δ TE plasmid, 1 mM each Δ AT forward and reverse primers, 200 mM dNTPs, 3% v/v DMSO and 3 U Phusion DNA polymerase.

Protein expression, dialysis, and purification

EryMod6TE expression plasmids were transformed into *E. coli* K207-3 cells (5), while the glucose dehydrogenase (GDH) and the EryTE expression plasmids were each transformed into *E. coli* BL21(DE3) cells (6). Starter cultures (60 mL) were grown overnight and used to inoculate Luria broth supplemented with 50 mg/L kanamycin (6 L, 37 °C). Cultures were cooled to 15 °C after cells reached OD₆₀₀ = 0.4, and protein expression was induced (0.5 mM IPTG). After 16 hrs, cells were harvested by centrifugation (4,500 x g, 10 min) and resuspended in 40 mL lysis buffer (0.5 M NaCl, 30 mM HEPES pH 7.5). Cells were lysed via sonication, and cellular debris was removed (centrifugation at 30,000 x g, 60 min). EryMod6TE and GDH lysates were dialyzed against 1 L lysis buffer at 4 °C. After 4 hrs, the buffer was exchanged with 1 L fresh lysis buffer, and allowed to dialyze for an additional 16 hrs. Lysates were centrifuged (4,000 x g, 10 min), flash-frozen, and stored at -80 °C until further use. EryTE was further purified for TE-mediated hydrolysis experiments by passing the cell lysate over a nickel-NTA column equilibrated with lysis buffer. The column was washed with lysis buffer containing 15 mM imidazole (25 mL).

Conditions for EryMod6TE reactions

The following stock solutions were prepared: 1.5 M Tris-HCl pH 7.5, 5 M NaCl, 3 M glucose, 100 mM NADP⁺, 0.5 M 1 and 2 in DMSO, and 0.1 M 3, 6-10 in DMSO.

Tris-HCl pH 7.5 (150 mM), NaCl (100 mM), glucose (500 mM), NADP⁺ (10 mM), extender unit 1 or 2 (5 mM), priming unit 3 or 6-10 (2.5 mM), pure DMSO (5% v/v), water, dialyzed GDH lysate (10% v/v), and dialyzed EryMod6TE lysate (25% v/v) were combined in a microcentrifuge tube (200 mL reaction volume). After addition of each dialyzed enzyme lysate, reactions were gently mixed by pipetting and then centrifuged (3000 x g, 5 sec). Reactions were incubated at 23 °C for 16 hrs before being subjected to CuAAC with sulforhodamine B azide. Negative control reactions contained all substrates except for EryMod6TE dialyzed lysate. Reactions were performed in duplicate.

Preparative in vitro synthesis of reduced diketide 5

Tris-HCl pH 7.5 (150 mM), NaCl (100 mM), glucose (500 mM), NADP⁺ (10 mM), extender unit 2 (5 mM), priming unit 3 (2.5 mM), pure DMSO (total 5% v/v), water, dialyzed GDH lysate (10% v/v), and dialyzed EryMod6TE lysate (25% v/v) were combined in a conical tube in a total volume of 25 mL. After the addition of each dialyzed lysate, reactions were gently mixed by pipetting and then centrifuged (3000 x g, 5 sec). After 16 hrs, the reaction was washed using diethyl ether (1 x 50 mL). The aqueous layer was then acidified using 12 N HCl (2 mL) and products were extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 150 mL). The organic layer was dried over sodium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. Diketide **5** was purified by dry

flash column chromatography (silica, eluting with 10:89:1 ethyl acetate:hexanes:acetic acid) and characterized by ¹H NMR.

Phosphate-containing reaction conditions

Tris-HCl pH 7.5 (150 mM), NaCl (100 mM), extender unit **2** (5 mM), priming unit **3** (2.5 mM), pure DMSO (total 5% v/v), Na₂HPO₄ pH 7 (0, 10, 50 or 100 mM), water, dialyzed GDH lysate (10% v/v) and dialyzed EryMod6TE lysate (25% v/v) were combined in a microcentrifuge tube (200 mL total volume). After addition of each dialyzed lysate, reactions were gently mixed by pipetting and then centrifuged (3000 x g, 5 sec). Reactions were incubated at 23 °C for 16 hrs before being subjected to CuAAC with sulforhodamine B azide. Negative control reactions contained all substrates except for EryMod6TE dialyzed lysate. Reactions were performed in duplicate.

Glycerol-containing reaction condition

Reactions were prepared as described in "Conditions for EryMod6TE reactions" except for the use of 10% v/v glycerol and EryMod6TE knockouts (25% v/v; Δ KS, Δ AT, Δ TE, Δ KS+AT, Δ KS+TE, and Δ AT+TE). In the experiment with purified EryTE, Tris-HCl pH 7.5 (150 mM), NaCl (100 mM), priming unit **3** (2.5 mM), glycerol (10% v/v), water, and nickel-purified EryTE (25% v/v) were added to a microcentrifuge tube (200 mL total volume). Reactions were incubated at 23 °C for 16 hrs before being subjected to CuAAC with sulforhodamine B azide.

CuAAC reaction conditions

The following stock solutions were prepared: 10 mM sulforhodamine B azide in DMSO, 1 M sodium ascorbate, and 0.5 M copper(II) sulfate.

DMSO (50% v/v), sulforhodamine B azide (1 mM), EryMod6TE reaction (0.75 mM), and sodium ascorbate (40 mM) were combined (48 mL total volume) in a microcentrifuge tube. Reactions were vortexed and centrifuged (3000 x g, 5 sec). Copper(II) sulfate (20 mM) was then added and immediately vortexed for 3 seconds to initiate the click reaction. Samples were incubated at 23°C for 1 hr and stored at -80 °C until further use.

HPLC and fluorescence detection

Reactions subjected to CuAAC were centrifuged to remove debris (20,000 x g, 2 min). Samples (20 mL) were analyzed using a Waters Symmetry® C18 3.5 μ m 4.6 x 75 mm column on a Beckman Coulter System Gold® 126 Solvent Module equipped with a Jasco FP-2020 Plus Intelligent Fluorescence Detector ($\lambda_{ex} = 565$ nm, $\lambda_{em} = 586$ nm). The mobile phases consisted of degassed, deionized water + 0.1% TFA (solvent A) and degassed acetonitrile + 0.1% TFA (solvent B). A linear gradient (flow rate = 1 mL/min) of 75% to 55% B over 40 min followed by 10 min at 100% B was used to analyze reactions. Data was analyzed using 32 Karat Software.

LC/MS analysis

Whole reactions or compounds collected from HPLC runs were subjected to positive-ESI LC/MS (Agilent Technologies 1200 Series HPLC with a Gemini C18 column coupled to an Agilent Technologies 6130 quadrupole mass spectrometer). Mobile phases consisted of water containing 0.1% formic acid (solvent A) and acetonitrile containing 0.1% formic acid (solvent B). A linear gradient (flow rate = 0.7 mL/min) of 5%–95% B over 12 min was used.

High-Resolution Mass Spectrometry

All samples were subject to positive electrospray ionization and masses were characterized on an Agilent 630 Accurate Mass Q-Tof LC/MS.

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High-Resolution Mass Spec Analysis – Positive ESI

Compound		Formula	High Resolution Mass: (exp) obs
N ₃		$C_{29}H_{34}N_5O_7S_2$	(628.1899) 628.1897
N N O	3*	C ₃₉ H ₄₈ N ₆ NaO ₉ S ₃	(863.2543) 863.2526
H H	6*	C ₃₈ H ₄₆ N ₆ NaO ₉ S ₃	(849.2386) 849.2374
() _n 3 O	7*	$\mathrm{C}_{40}\mathrm{H}_{50}\mathrm{N}_6\mathrm{NaO}_9\mathrm{S}_3$	(877.2699) 877.2681
N N	8*	C ₃₆ H ₄₃ N ₅ NaO ₈ S ₃	(792.2172) 792.2195
	9*	C ₃₇ H ₄₅ N ₅ NaO ₈ S ₃	(806.2328) 206.2328
M _n 's'	10*	$\mathrm{C}_{38}\mathrm{H}_{47}\mathrm{N}_{5}\mathrm{NaO}_{8}\mathrm{S}_{3}$	(820.2485) 820.2451
	4*	C ₃₅ H ₄₂ N ₅ O ₉ S ₂	(740.2424) 740.2427
	11*	$C_{34}H_{39}N_5NaO_9S_2$	(748.2087) 748.2082
(∽ _п он	12*	$\mathrm{C_{36}H_{43}N_5NaO_9S_2}$	(776.2400) 776.2379
New Old D	5*	C ₃₈ H ₄₇ N ₅ NaO ₁₀ S ₂	(820.2662) 820.2635
	13*	C ₃₇ H ₄₅ N ₅ NaO ₁₀ S ₂	(806.2506) 806.2499
	14*	C ₃₉ H ₅₀ N ₅ O ₁₀ S ₂	(812.2999) 812.2984
	16*	$C_{38}H_{45}N_5NaO_{10}S_2$	(818.2506) 818.2482
N ^N N OH O ()3	17*	$C_{40}H_{51}N_5NaO_9S_3$	(864.2747) 864.2734
	8a* (svn)	CaoHuzNzNaOtoSa	(820,2662) 820,2635
	8b* (<i>anti</i>)	$C_{38}H_{47}N_5NaO_{10}S_2$ $C_{38}H_{47}N_5NaO_{10}S_2$	(820.2662) 820.2639
	H . 10*	C41H40N5NaO10S2	(858.2819) 858.2790
		$C_{41} = 49^{-3} = 10^{-2}$	(860.2975) 860.2968
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Table S1. High Resolution Mass Spec Analysis of Compounds



Phosphate increases substrate turnover

Increased turnover numbers for triketide lactone formation by the bimodular DEBS1+TE (the first polypeptide of the erythromycin PKS fused to EryTE) were observed with increases in phosphate concentration (Pieper 1996). To determine whether phosphate has a similar effect on single-module constructs, EryMod6TE was incubated with 0–100 mM phosphate, priming unit **3**, extender unit **2**, and the NADPH regeneration system (Figure S1A). After 2 and 16 hrs, reactions were subjected to CuAAC with sulforhodamine B azide and analyzed by HPLC (Figure S1B-C).

After 2 hrs, 20% of **3** was converted to **5** in the absence of phosphate, while 31% had been converted in the presence of 100 mM phosphate (Figure S1B). After 2 hrs, 43% of **3** remained unreacted in the absence of phosphate, whereas only 20% remained unreacted in the presence of 100 mM phosphate. After 16 hrs, no **3** remained and no precipitate was observed in reactions containing at least 50 mM phosphate (Figure S1).



Figure S1. Phosphate enhances turnover. **A)** EryMod6TE operating as a reduced diketide synthase. **B)** Comparison of peak areas for 2 hr reactions shows increased substrate turnover with phosphate concentration. **C)** Comparison of peak areas for 16 hr reactions shows complete substrate turnover when the phosphate concentration is at least 50 mM.

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TE-catalyzed glycerolysis

Previously, glycerol has been used to prevent precipitation of EryMod6TE in dialyzed lysate (Hughes 2012 and Harper 2012); however, HPLC analysis of EryMod6TE-catalyzed reactions in the presence of glycerol yielded a large, unanticipated peak (21*, Figure S2B). ¹H NMR analysis confirmed that this peak resulted from priming unit glycerolysis. A panel of single and double knockout mutants of EryMod6TE was assayed for the ability to generate 21 (Δ KS, Δ AT, Δ TE, Δ KS+AT, Δ KS+TE, and Δ AT+TE; catalytic nucleophiles replaced by alanines). Through these experiments, TE activity was linked to the generation of 21 (Figure S2C). TE-catalyzed glycerolysis was confirmed when 21* was observed from the incubation of purified EryTE with 3 in a glycerol-containing buffer (Figure S2D). ¹H NMR characterization of 21 yielded the following spectra: (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.18-4.07 (m, 2H), 3.91-3.86 (m, 1H), 3.67-3.52 (m, 2H), 2.45 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.4), 2.22 (m, 2H), 1.92 (t, 1H, *J* = 2.7), 1.80 (m, 2H, *J* = 7.3).



Figure S2. EryTE-mediated glycerolysis of priming units. A) TE-mediated hydrolysis has been implicated in low biocatalytic product yields. Here EryTE is also shown to catalyze glycerolysis in reaction buffers containing glycerol. B) HPLC trace ($\lambda_{ex} = 565 \text{ nm}$, $\lambda_{em} = 586 \text{ nm}$) reveals the generation of both the hydrolysis product 4 and the glycerolysis product 21 from priming unit 3 from reactions employing dialyzed EryMod6TE lysate. C) EryMod6TE mutants containing an active EryTE produce significant quantities of glycerolysis product 21. D) HPLC trace ($\lambda_{ex} = 565 \text{ nm}$, $\lambda_{em} = 586 \text{ nm}$) reveals the generation of both the hydrolysis product 21. D) HPLC trace ($\lambda_{ex} = 565 \text{ nm}$, $\lambda_{em} = 586 \text{ nm}$) reveals the generation of both the hydrolysis product 4 and the glycerolysis product 21 from priming unit 3 from a reaction employing purified EryTE.

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¹H NMR of **21**





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freq. of 0 ppm: 399.804737 MHz processed size: 65536 complex points LB: 0.100 GF: 0.0000 Hz/cm: 41.854 ppm/cm: 0.10469





 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{Chemical Formula: } C_{29} H_{34} N_5 O_7 S_2{}^+ \\ \textbf{Exact Mass: 628.19} \\ \textbf{m/z: } 628.19 \ (100.0\%), \ 629.19 \ (35.1\%), \\ 630.19 \ (11.6\%), \ 630.20 \ (5.0\%), \\ 631.19 \ (3.1\%), \ 631.20 \ (1.0\%) \end{array}$











	RET Time	AREA	% Total AREA
5*	18.727	15787002	40.5
4*	19.294	19825587	50.9
3*	20.825	3343245	8.6
Trial 2	2		
	RET Time	AREA	% Total AREA
5*	18.679	16962289	40.8
4*	19.249	21039755	50.6
3*	20.800	3606768	8.7

Compound 1 Reaction Analysis Trial 1

Compound 1				
	AVERAGE	STDEV		
5*	40.6	0.2		
4*	50.7	0.2		
3*	8.6	0.1		

Compound **2** Reaction Analysis Trial 1

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	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
5*	18.447	11912678	33.1
4*	19.030	17413347	48.5
3*	20.539	6613850	18.4
Trial 2	2		

	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
5*	18.699	15345004	34.5
4*	19.270	19658811	44.1
3*	20.787	9527100	21.4

Compound 2				
	AVERAGE	STDEV		
5*	33.8	0.9		
4*	46.3	3.0		
3*	19.9	2.1		

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	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
4*	19.444	8176075	20.6
3*	20.910	31563023	79.4
Trial 2			
	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA

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Compound 1 CONTROL Reaction Analysis Trial 1

Compound 1 CONTROL			
	AVERAGE	STDEV	
4*	19.0	2.2	
3*	81.0	2.2	

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Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
19.444	5960798	15.8
20.977	31720433	84.2
Ret. Time		% Total
(min)	AREA	AREA
19.485	5514672	15.0
21.087	31295599	85.0
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Compound 2 CONTROL				
	AVERAGE	STDEV		
4*	15.4	0.6		
3*	84.6	0.6		

Com	pound	6	Reaction	Anal	ysis

Trial 1

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	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
13*	17.809	9013751	20.7
11*	18.680	22850133	52.6
6*	20.194	11593317	26.7
Trial 2		•	
	Ret. Time		% Total
	(min)	AKLA	AREA
13*	17.592	8347381	16.6
11*	18.484	25467750	50.8
6*	19.930	16329898	32.6

Compound 6			
	AVERAGE	STDEV	
13*	18.7	2.9	
11*	51.7	1.3	
6*	29.6	4.2	

Compound 8 Reaction Analysis Trial 1

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	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
13*	17.867	7061148	20.6
11*	18.714	23420844	68.3
8*	35.014	3821288	11.1
Trial 2			
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Compound 8			
	AVERAGE	STDEV	
13*	23.6	4.3	
11*	65.2	4.4	
8*	11.2	0.1	

Trial 2			
	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
13*	17.842	10990448	26.6
11*	18.752	25630547	62.1
8*	35.048	4675599	11.3

IIIuII			
	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
11*	18.737	172204	0.5
6*	20.024	37911066	99.5
Trial 2			
	Ret. Time	AREA	% Total

Compound 6 CONTROL Reaction	Analysis
Trial 1	•

Compound 6 CONTROL		
	AVERAGE	STDEV
11*	3.3	4.0
6*	96.7	4.0

Trial 2			
	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
11*	18.465	2424183	6.1
6*	19.745	37329938	93.9

Compound 8 CONTROL Reaction Analysis

Trial 1			
	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
11*	18.755	212419	0.6
8*	33.681	36043103	99.4
Trial 2			
	Ret. Time		% Total
	(min)	ARLA	AREA
11*	18.827	2710007	6.1
8*	33.460	41899558	93.9

Compound 8 CONTROL		
AVERAGE STDEV		
11*	3.3	3.9
8*	96.7	3.9

Com	pound	3	Reaction	Analy	ysis

Trial 1

	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
5*	18.620	15828462	28.3
4*	19.092	33896564	60.6
3*	20.719	6183995	11.1
Trial 2	2		
	Ret. Time		% Total
	(min)	AREA	AREA
5*	18.464	11380788	27.1
4*	19.105	23650841	56.3
3*	20.509	6981340	16.6

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	AVERAGE	STDEV
5*	27.7	0.9
4*	58.5	3.1
3*	13.8	3.9

Compound 9 Reaction Analysis Trial 1

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	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA			
5*	18.692	14020189	31.5			
4*	19.374	26711265	60.0		Compoun	d 9
9*	36.719	3814999	8.6		AVERAGE	STDEV
Trial 2	2		•	5*	32.2	1.0
	Ret. Time		% Total	4*	58.8	1.6
	(min)	AKEA	AREA	9*	9.0	0.6
5*	18.697	14966330	32.9			
4*	19.342	26192166	57.6			
9*	36.746	4290108	9.4			

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	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
4*	19.359	6049863	15.9
3*	20.760	31884840	84.1
Trial 2			
	Ret. Time	AREA	% Total AREA
4*	19.330	6555358	16.5
3*	20.849	33124632	83.5

Compound 3 CONTROL Reaction	on Analysis
Trial 1	•

Compound 3 CONTROL				
	AVERAGE	STDEV		
4*	16.2	0.4		
3*	83.8	0.4		

Compound 9 CONTROL Reaction Analysis

Trial 1			
	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
4*	19.300	594660	4.0
9*	36.803	14175016	96.0
Trial 2			
	Ret. Time		% Total
	(min)	AREA	AREA
4*	19.314	500041	2.8
9*	36.754	17355117	97.2

Compound 9 CONTROL				
	AVERAGE	STDEV		
4*	3.4	0.9		
9*	96.6	0.9		

	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
14*	20.08	11581283	25.46
12*	20.68	32761857	72.03
7*	22.69	1138304	2.50
Trial 2			
	Ret. Time		% Total
	(min)	AREA	AREA
14*	20.16	10643821	23.85
12*	20.71	33422377	74.89
7*	22.70	564438	1.26

Compound 7 Reaction Analysis Trial 1

Compound 7				
	AVERAGE	STDEV		
14*	24.7	1.1		
12*	73.5	2.0		
7*	1.9	0.9		

Com	pound	10	Reaction	Analy	ysis
Trial	1			-	

I rial I			
	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
14*	20.16	10535136	22.95
12*	20.66	34727449	75.66
10*	39.71	637867	1.39
Trial 2			
	Ret. Time		% Total
	(min)	ANLA	Area
14*	20.09	8001594	19.65
12*	20.62	30425013	74.71
10*	38.95	2299424	5.65

Compound 10				
AVERAGE STDEV				
14*	21.3	2.3		
12*	75.2	0.7		
10*	3.5	3.0		

	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
12*	20.814	23100604	41.1
7*	22.619	33168434	58.9
Trial 2			
	Dat Time		0/ total

Compound 7 CONTROL Reaction Analysis Trial 1

Irial 2					
	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	%total AREA		
12*	20.655	25015046	43.3		
7*	22.619	32755287	56.7		

Compound 7 CONTROL			
	AVERAGE	STDEV	
12*	42.2	1.6	
7*	57.8	1.6	

Compound 10 CONTROL Reaction Analysis

Trial 1			
	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
12*	20.822	9162547	51.7
10*	39.851	8562374	48.3
Trial 2			
	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
12*	20.795	12754036	62.3
10*	39.769	7724401	37.7

Compound 10 CONTROL			
	AVERAGE STDEV		
12*	57.0	7.5	
10*	43.0	7.5	

	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
5*	18.665	14806840	21.3
4*	19.232	22840606	32.8
3*	20.822	31899164	45.9
Trial 2	2		
	Ret. Time		% Total
	(min)	AKEA	AREA
5*	18.867	13023723	22.8
4*	19.407	19204279	33.5
3*	20.987	25014238	43.7

Compound $3 - 0$ mM Phosphate $- 2$ hrs - Reaction	<u>Analysis</u>
Trial 1	-

0 mM Phosphate- 2 hrs			
	AVERAGE	STDEV	
5*	22.0	1.0	
4*	33.2	0.5	
3*	44.8	1.5	

Compound $3 - 10 \text{ mM F}$	Phosphate – 2	hrs - Rea	ction A	Analy	sis
Trial 1	-				

	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
5*	18.580	15802446	23.1
4*	19.244	23049643	33.7
3*	20.774	29464589	43.1
Trial 2	2		
	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
5*	18.890	13553917	26.4
4*	19.424	18227682	35.5
3*	21.020	19587930	38.1

10 mM Phosphate- 2 hrs			
AVERAGE STDEV			
5*	24.8	2.3	
4*	34.6	1.2	
3*	40.6	3.5	

Compound **3** – 50 mM Phosphate – 2 hrs - Reaction Analysis Trial 1

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	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
5*	18.464	16814392	29.4
4*	19.019	21047074	36.8
3*	20.539	19366060	33.8
Trial 2		•	
	Ret. Time		% Total
	(min)	AKLA	AREA
5*	18.777	15811837	28.8

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50 mM Phosphate- 2 hrs			
AVERAGE STDEV			
5*	29.1	0.4	
4*	36.0	1.1	
3*	34.9	1.5	

	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
5*	18.492	20585641	31.5
4*	19.125	28318670	43.3
3*	20.640	16505850	25.2
Trial 2	2		
	Ret. Time		% Total
	(min)	AREA	AREA
5*	18.862	19556396	34.4
4*	19.404	26989181	47.5
3*	21.020	10325964	18.2

Compound **3** – 100 mM Phosphate – 2 hrs - Reaction Analysis Trial 1

100 mM Phosphate - 2 hrs			
AVERAGE STDEV			
5*	32.9	2.1	
4*	45.4	2.9	
3*	21.7	5.0	

	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
5*	18.669	16536904	37.1
4*	19.250	23683668	53.1
3*	20.779	4360206	9.8
Trial 2	2		
	Ret. Time		% Total
	(min)	AKLA	AREA
5*	18.740	15832878	35.6
4*	19.330	22474980	50.5
3*	20.864	6184094	13.9

	0 mM Phosphate - 16 hrs			
	AVERAGE	STDEV		
5*	36.3	1.1		
4*	51.8	1.8		
3*	11.8	2.9		

<u>Compound 3 – 0 mM Phosphate – 16 hrs - Reaction Analysis</u> Trial 1

Compound 3 – 10 mM Phos	phate –	16 hrs -	Reaction	<u>Analysis</u>
Trial 1				

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	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
5*	18.712	19279548	40.0
4*	19.317	26531272	55.1
3*	20.825	2328798	4.8
Trial 2	2		
	Ret. Time		% Total
	(min)	AREA	AREA
5*	18.382	19807554	38.8
4*	19.004	28157616	55.1
3*	20.495	3145642	6.2

10 mM Phosphate - 16 hrs			
AVERAGE STDEV			
5*	39.4	0.9	
4*	55.1	0.0	
3*	5.5	0.9	

<u>Compound 3 – 50 mM Phosphate – 16 hrs - Reaction Analysis</u> Trial 1

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	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA		
5*	18.617	24264845	43,2		
4*	19.374	31903020	56.8		
Trial 2)				

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	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA	
5*	18.642	20931892	43.0	
4*	19.279	27803314	57.0	

50 mM Phosphate – 16 hrs			
AVERAGE STDEV			
5*	43.1	0.2	
4*	56.9	0.2	

	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA		
5*	18.745	22205349	42.1		
4*	19.300	30532660	57.9		
Trial 2	Trial 2				
	Ret. Time		% Total		
	(min)		AREA		
5*	(min) 18.657	19918332	AREA 43.3		

<u>Compound 3 – 100 mM Phosphate – 16 hrs - Reaction Analysis</u> Trial 1

100 mM Phosphate – 16 hrs				
	AVERAGE STDEV			
5*	42.7	0.9		
4*	57.3	0.9		

	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA		
4*	19.317	6028704	14.9		
3*	19.945	34549471	85.1		
Trial 2	Trial 2				
	Ret. Time		% Total		
	(min)	AREA	AREA		
4*	19.295	6749666	16.2		
3*	20.769	34841101	83.8		

Compound 3 – 0 mM Phosphate –	16 hrs CONTROL Reaction Analysis
Trial 1	-

0 mM Phosphate CONTROL				
	AVERAGE STDEV			
4*	15.5	1.0		
3*	84.5	1.0		

Compound 3 – 10 mM Phosphate – 16 hrs CONTROL Reaction Analysis

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	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA		
4*	19.164	6257779	15.1		
3*	20.692	35150517	84.9		
Trial 2	Trial 2				
	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA		
4*	19.279	6576249	15.4		
3*	20.592	36009401	84.6		

10 mM Phosphate CONTROL			
AVERAGE STDEV			
4*	15.3	0.2	
3*	84.7	0.2	

Compound **3** – 50 mM Phosphate – 16 hrs CONTROL Reaction Analysis

I rial			
	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
4*	19.275	8543020	19.9
3*	20.612	34470898	80.1
Trial 2	2		
	Ret. Time		% Total
	(min)	ANLA	AREA
4*	19.310	7864313	18.3
3*	20 804	35083073	817

50 mM Phosphate CONTROL			
AVERAGE STDEV			
4*	19.1	1.1	
3*	80.9	1.1	

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	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA	
4*	19.294	7648977	18.5	
3*	20.710	33648585	81.5	
Trial 2				
	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA	

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<u>Compound 3 – 100 mM Phosphate – 16 hrs CONTROL Reaction Analysis</u> Trial 1

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100 mM Phosphate CONTROL				
	AVERAGE	STDEV		
4*	20.7	3.1		
3*	79.3	3.1		

Compound **15** Reaction Analysis Trial 1

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	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
18a*	18.590	13305217	23.8
18b*	19.122	7131187	12.8
20*	21.575	18279563	32.7
16*	22.539	5606334	10.0
19*	23.498	11526588	20.6
Trial 2			

Trial 2

	Ret. Time (min)	AREA	% Total AREA
18a*	18.845	12387653	24.4
18b*	19.372	7118427	14.0
20*	21.860	16615907	32.7
16*	22.774	4820335	9.5
19*	23.727	9887625	19.5

Compound 15				
AVERAGE ST		STDEV		
18a*	24.1	0.4		
18b*	13.4	0.9		
20*	32.7	0.0		
16*	9.8	0.4		
19*	20.0	0.8		

Compound 3 EryMod6TE Mutant Reaction Analysis

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	EryMod6TE	ΔKS	ΔΑΤ	ΔΤΕ
21*	2614798	1554339	2198173	372883
4*	826717	1509532	1235584	859962
3*	3951371	4797879	3931098	5868967
Total AREA	7392886	7861750	7364855	7101812

	ΔKS+AT	ΔKS+TE	ΔΑΤ+ΤΕ	no EryMod6TE
21*	1708062	479870	409617	166666
4*	1138868	1127082	993593	0
3*	4447477	7212606	6012292	6333238
Total AREA	7294407	8819558	7415502	6499904

	% Total Area		
	21*	4*	3*
EryMod6TE	35.4	11.2	53.4
ΔKS	19.8	19.2	61.0
ΔΑΤ	29.8	16.8	53.4
ΔΤΕ	5.2	12.1	82.6
∆KS+AT	23.4	15.6	61.0
ΔKS+TE	5.4	12.8	81.8
$\Delta AT + TE$	5.5	13.4	81.1
no EryMod6TE	3.0	0.0	97.4