

Can the Peptide Chain of a Pyoverdine be Bound by an Ester Bond to the Chromophore? – The Old Problem of Pseudobactin 7SR1[§]

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The structure which had been proposed for the pyoverdine named pseudobactin 7SR1 (Yang and Leong, 1984) differed from those of all other pyoverdins investigated so far: its peptide chain was supposedly linked to the chromophore not by an amide bond originating from its N-terminal amino acid, but rather by an ester bond involving one of the three Ser. It will be shown that the peptide chain of pseudobactin 7SR1 is actually bound to the chromophore amidically by its N-terminal Ser and that it comprises a *cyclodepsipeptidic* substructure with an ester bond between the C-terminal Thr and the OH-group of the second Ser in the chain.