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13 **Abstract:** Newly discovered frog tracks from the Cretaceous of Saok Island, South Korea, represent the first report of anuran (frog)
14 tracks from the Phanerozoic of Asia and, only the second global report of Mesozoic anuran tracks. This is also the first global report of
15 frog track assemblages with multiple trackways from multiple stratigraphic levels. The tracks occur in fine-grained lacustrine
16 sediments and are generally well-preserved, showing a pentadactyl pes and a tetradactyl manus typical of modern anurans. The
17 trackways indicate hopping locomotion, also typical of modern anurans, indicating that frog foot morphology and behavior have not
18 changed significantly since the Late Cretaceous. The trackways reveal that some trackmakers possessed the ability to leap 6-7 times
19 body (trunk) length. The material allows for the emendation of the ichnogenus *Ranipes* and erection of the new
20 ichnospecies *Ranipes saokensis* ichnosp. nov.. Associated tracks and traces of arthropods (cf. *Diplichnites*) and shorebirds are
21 characteristic typical lacustrine margin paleoecology and the shorebird ichnofacies.

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