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*A characterization of complex  $L_1$ -preduals via a complex barycentric mapping*

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**Abstract:** We provide a complex version of a theorem due to Bednar and Lacey characterizing real  $L_1$ -preduals. Hence we prove a characterization of complex  $L_1$ -preduals via a complex barycentric mapping.

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