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Author Correction:

Engineering a predatory bacterium as a proficient killer agent for intracellular bio-products recovery: The case of the polyhydroxyalkanoates

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This Article contains errors.

During follow-up to the work described in this Article the Authors have sequenced the genomes of the strains derived and discovered that all of them (both the wild type and two mutant strains bd2637 and bd3709) derived from the parental predatory strain *Bdellovibrio bacteriovorus* 109J, and not HD100 as described in the Article.

Therefore, HD100 should be replaced with 109J everywhere in the Article apart from the instances outlined below.

In the final paragraph of the Introduction,

“It has recently been shown that *B. bacteriovorus* HD100 can prey upon PHA-producers such as *Pseudomonas putida* KT2440 while the latter accumulates large amounts of mcl-PHA within its cells²⁷.”

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In the Results, under subheading ‘Expanding the *B. bacteriovorus* toolbox to other microorganisms’

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The sequencing data confirming the identity of the strains characterised in this Article can be accessed at Short Read Archive with the BioProject number PRJNA723206 (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sra/PRJNA723206>).

These changes do not affect the conclusions of the Article.



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