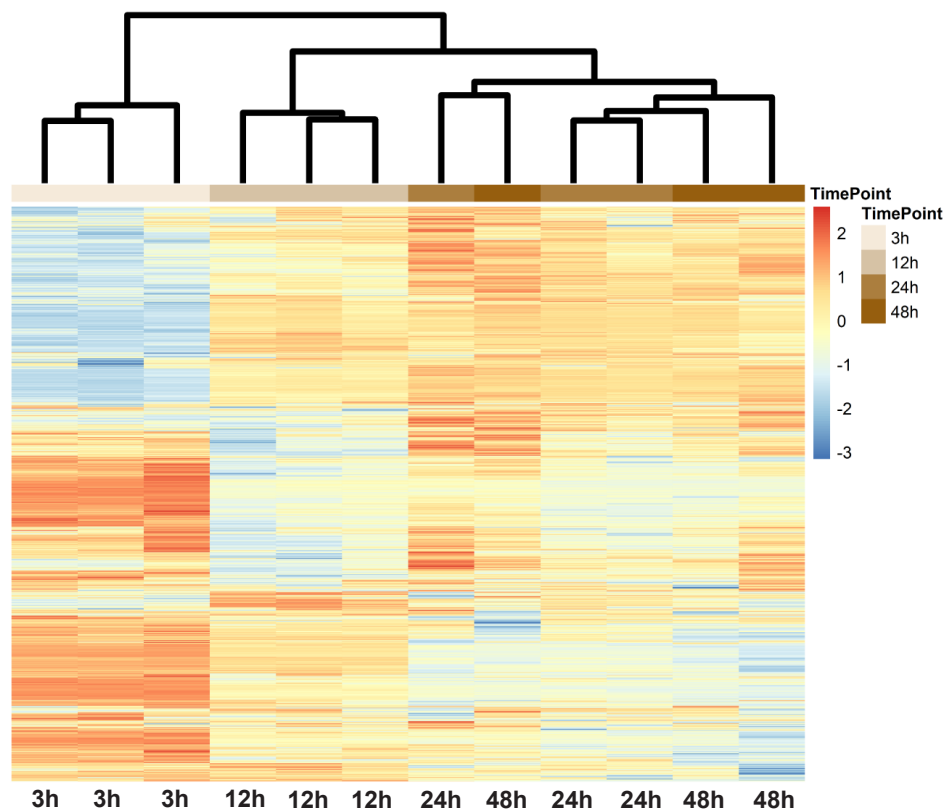


E. coli cultures

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b

P. aeruginosa cultures

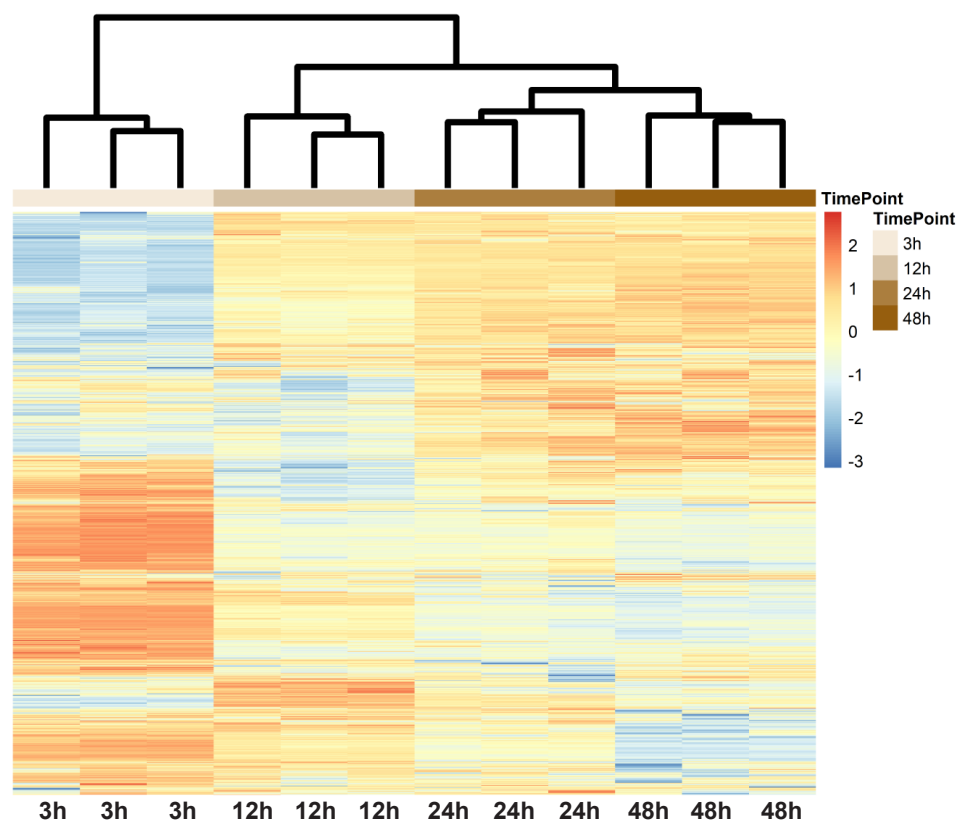


Figure S1: Whole proteomes of *E. coli* and *P. aeruginosa* at various growth stages.

Heatmaps of the total proteomes of *E. coli* K-12 MG1655 (a) and *P. aeruginosa* $\Delta pel \Delta psl$ (b) sampled at 3, 12, 24, and 48h of growth in M9Glc. The dendrograms (top) indicate how the proteomes from different time points cluster together. Colors (blue to red) on the heatmaps indicate the log₂ intensity of the mean-centered MS signals for each protein detected. The data indicate a clear progression of the proteomic profiles from the earliest (light brown, growing bacteria) to the latest time point (dark brown; deep dormancy 48h after subculturing). In this culture setup, the bacteria reach stationary phase (maximal optical density at 600nm wavelength) after ca. eight hours as shown in our previous work¹. All data are available in public repositories (see *Data Availability*).

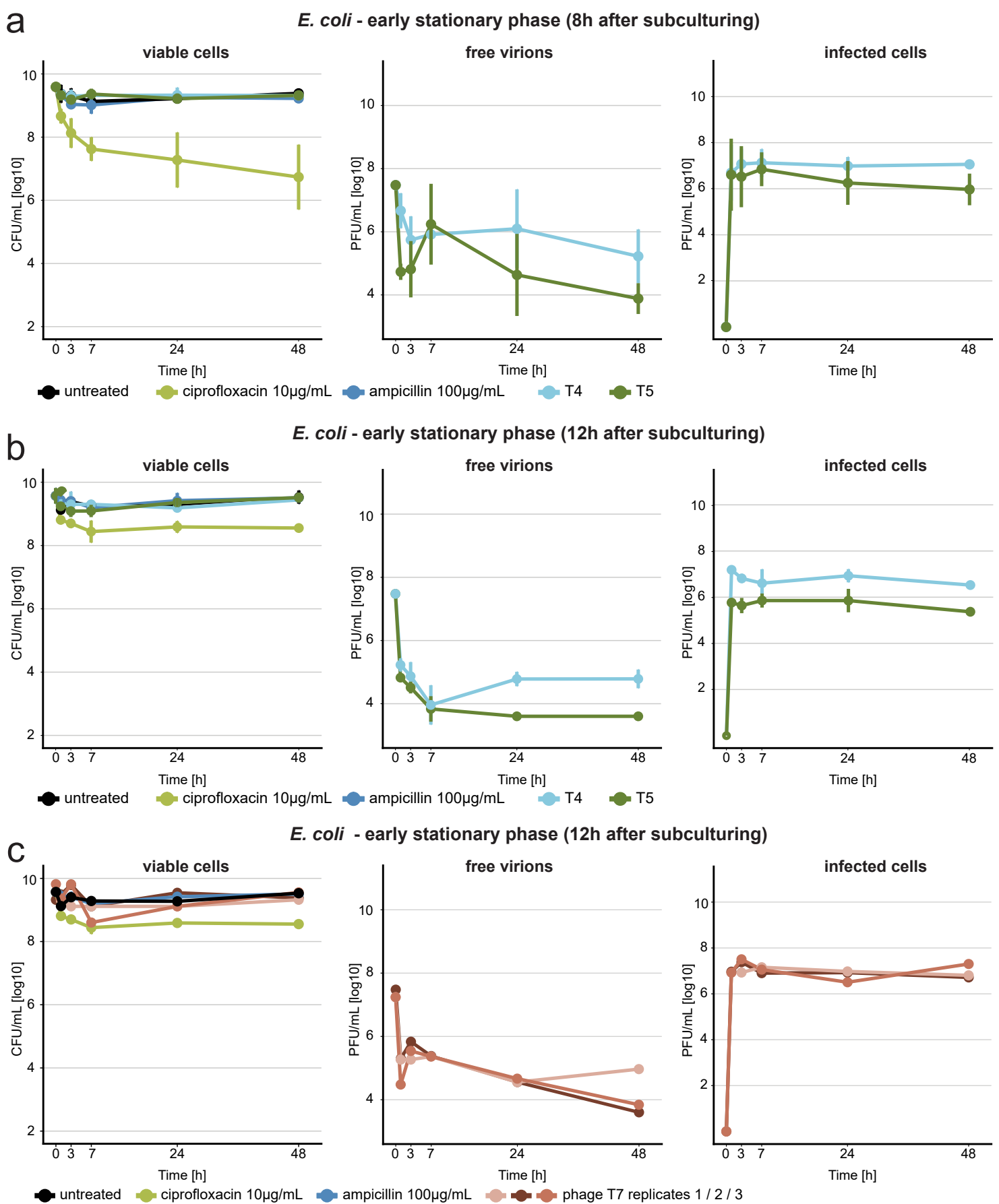


Figure S2: Time-kill curves of early stationary phase *E. coli*.

(a-c) *E. coli* K-12 MG1655 cultured for 8h or 12h after subculturing were challenged with antibiotics or phages (MOI \approx 0.01) and viable cells (CFU/ml) as well as plaque-forming units (PFU/ml) of free virions and infected cells were recorded over time. Data points and error bars show the average of three biological replicates and standard error of the mean, with the exception of (c) where the individual replicates of the experiments performed with phage T7 are shown (matching Fig. 2a). Limits of detection are 2 log₁₀ CFU/mL for viable cells, 3.6 log₁₀ PFU/mL for free virions and 2.6 log₁₀ PFU/mL for infected cells. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.

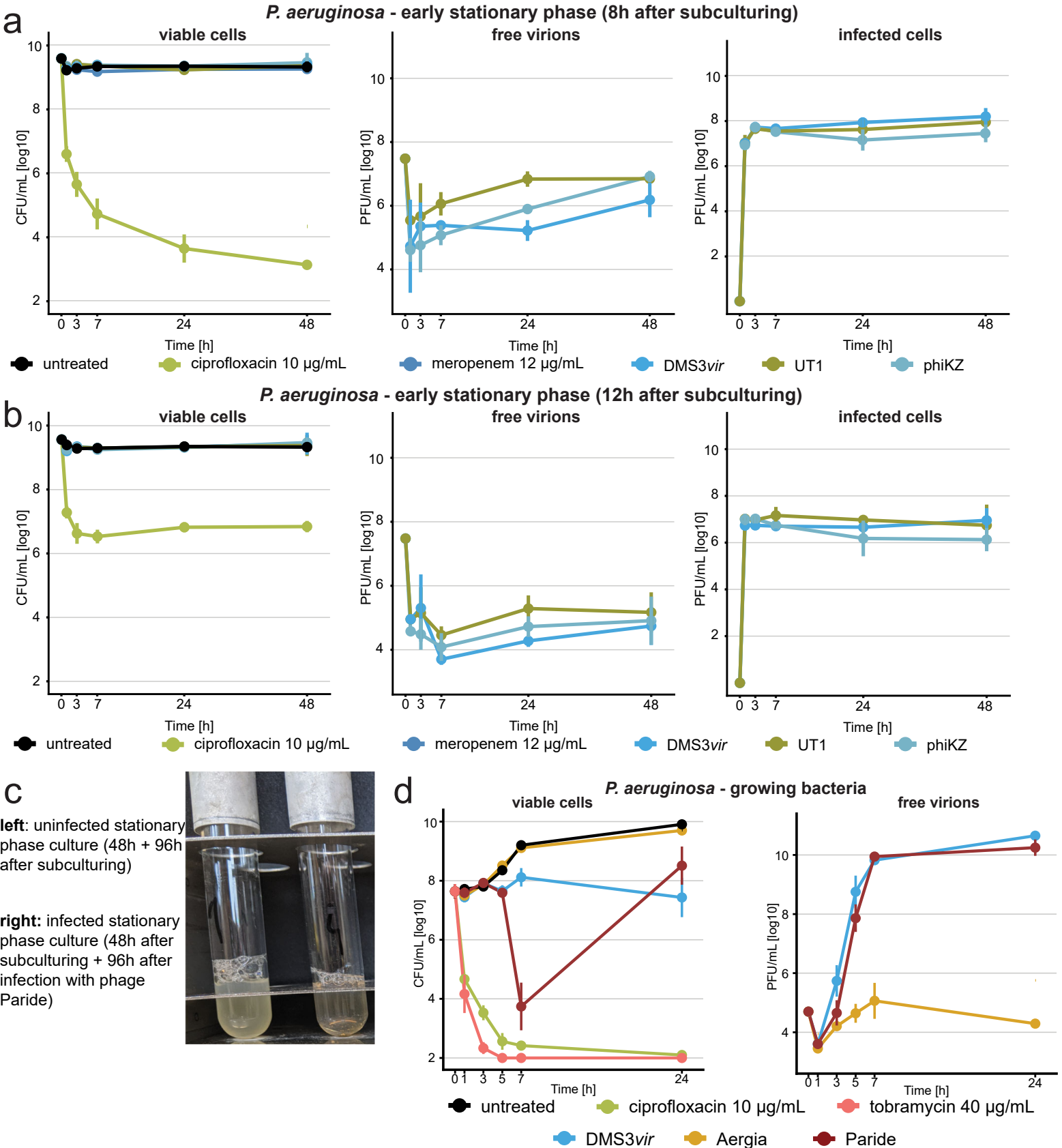


Figure S3: Time-kill curves of early stationary phase *P. aeruginosa*, infection of regularly growing *P. aeruginosa* with Paride and lysis of deep-dormant cultures by the same phage.

(a-b) *P. aeruginosa* $\Delta pel \Delta psl$ cultured for 8 or 12h after subculturing were challenged with antibiotics or phages (MOI ≈ 0.01) and viable cells (CFU/ml) as well as plaque-forming units (PFU/ml) of free virions and infected cells were recorded over time. (c) Representative picture of a deep-dormant *P. aeruginosa* culture at 96h after infection with Paride in M9Glc (right) and untreated control (left). (d) Regularly growing cultures of *P. aeruginosa* were treated with antibiotics or phages (MOI ≈ 0.001) and viable CFU/ml as well as free phages were recorded over time. Data points represent the average of three independent experiments and error bars show their standard error of the mean. Limits of detection are 2 log₁₀ CFU/mL for viable cells, 3.6 log₁₀ PFU/mL for free phages and 2.6 log₁₀ PFU/mL for infected cells. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.

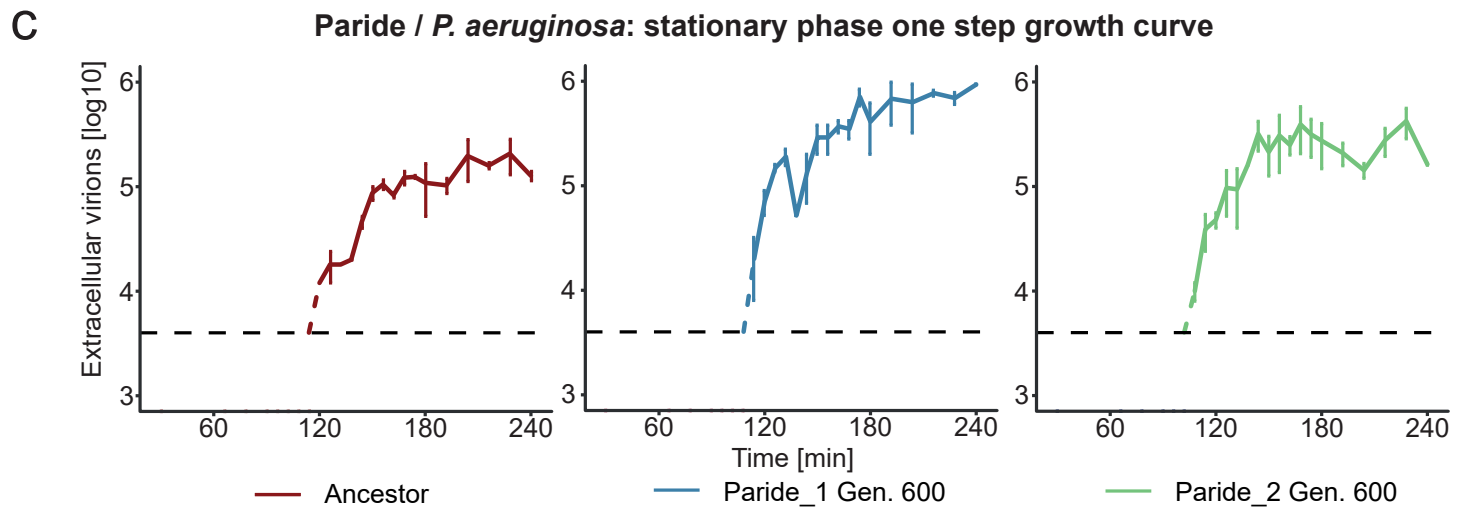
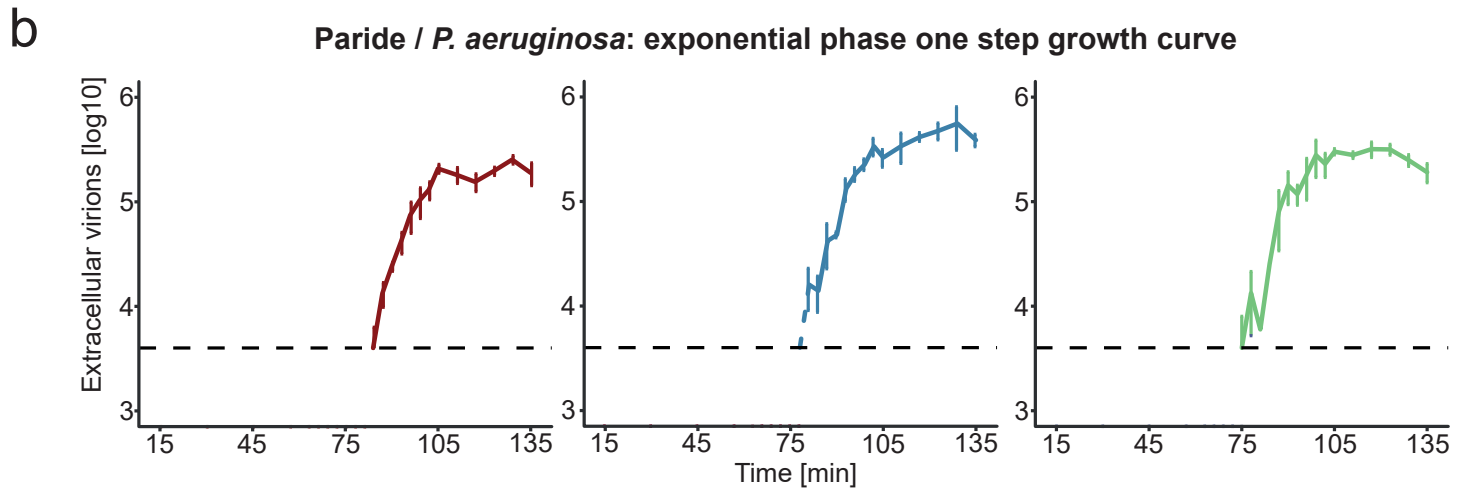
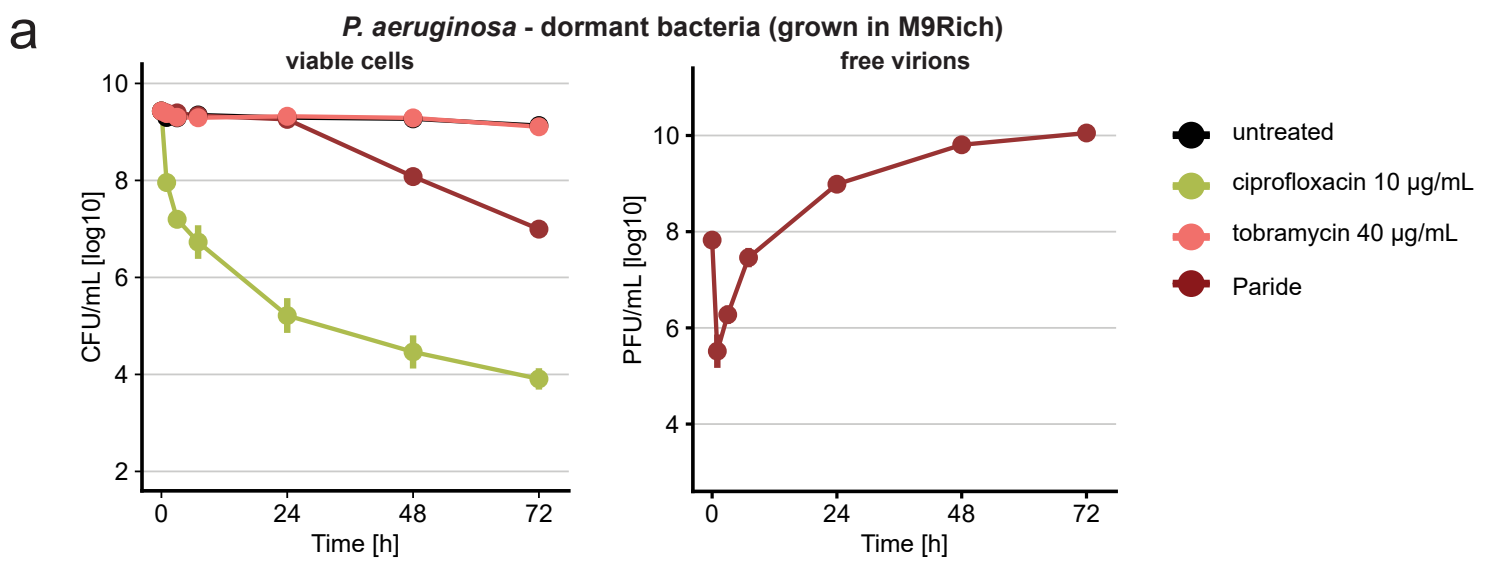
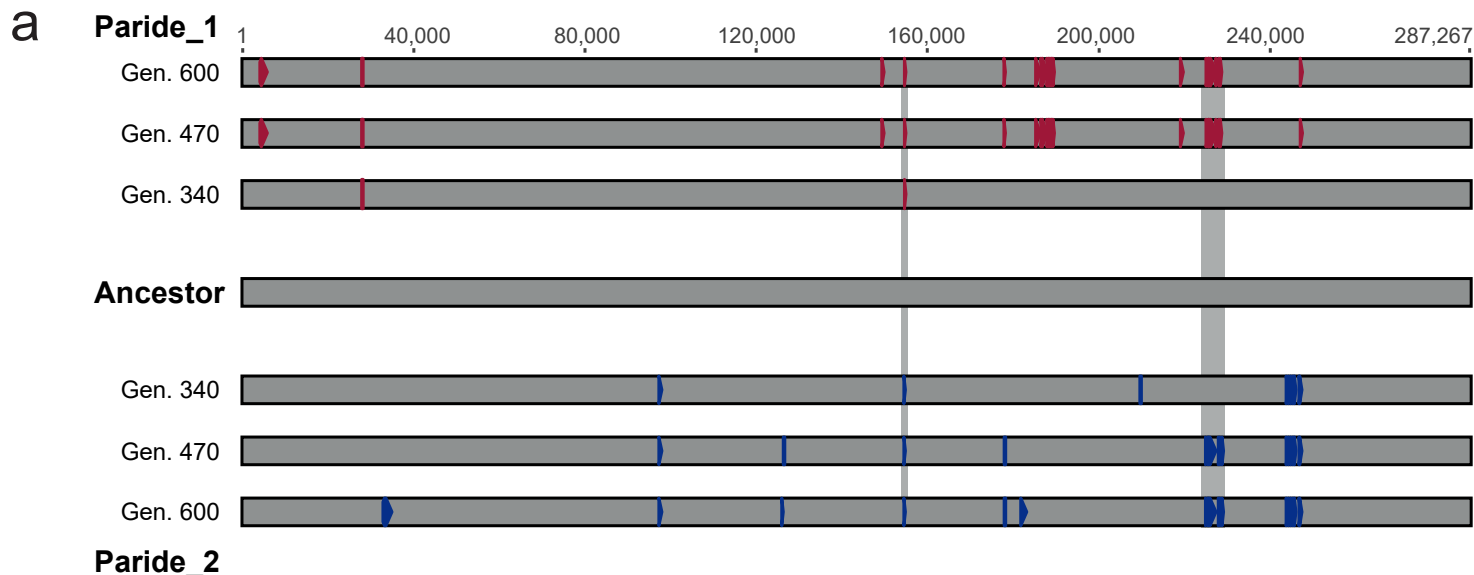


Figure S4: Stationary phase time-kill curves of *P. aeruginosa* in M9Rich and one step growth curves of Paride.

(a) Deep-dormant cultures of *P. aeruginosa* $\Delta pel \Delta psl$ grown in M9Rich were treated with antibiotics or phages (MOI ≈ 0.01) and viable CFU/ml as well as free phages were recorded over time. Data points represent the average of three independent experiments and error bars show their standard error of the mean. Limits of detection are 2 log₁₀ CFU/mL for viable cells, 3.6 log₁₀ PFU/mL for free virions and 2.6 log₁₀ PFU/mL for infected cells. (b, c) Free virions of one-step growth experiments with ancestral Paride and two lineages evolved on deep-dormant cultures for ca. 600 generations were recorded over time in fast-growing cultures (b) and stationary phase cultures (c). Data points represent the average of six (regularly growing) and two (stationary phase) independent experiments, respectively. The dashed line represents the limit of detection (3.6 log₁₀ PFU/mL). Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



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Location (Ancestor)	Annotation	Mutation	Potential Identity/Function	First observation	
				Paride_1	Paride_2
5'379	Portal (connector) protein	Synonymous SNP C→T	Portal connector or vertex protein	470 gen.	-
28'409	Intergenic space	G→A	-	340 gen.	-
33'455	rIIA lysis inhibitor	Single bp deleted → ~90% truncated	rIIA protein	-	600 gen.
97'875	FtsH-interacting integral membrane protein	Non-synonymous SNP C→T (Thr→Ile)	-	-	340 gen.
126'471	Structural protein	Non-coding SNPs (470 gen.) Deletion (502 bp; 600 gen.)	Collar protein	-	600 gen.
150'220	Hypothetical protein	Single bp insertion → frameshift alters a few residues and truncates by 6	Isomerase or oxidoreductase, aligns to UDP-glucose-4-epimerases	470 gen.	-
155'004	Intergenic space directly upstream of hypothetical protein	SNP A→G (ATA ATG.. to ATG ATG..)	-	340 gen.	340 gen.
178'493	Hypothetical protein	Synonymous SNP A→G	-	470 gen.	-
178'650	Intergenic space upstream of hypothetical protein	A→G	-	-	470 gen.
183'289	ATPase	Non-synonymous SNP T→C (Ser→Pro)	AAA+ ATPase / protease	-	600 gen.
186'457	Multiple genes without specific annotation	Deletion (3'277bp)	-	470 gen.	-
210'329	Intergenic region	Deletion of duplicated region (67bp)	-	-	Only 340 gen.
219'823	Structural protein	Non-synonymous SNP C→A (Gln→Lys)	-	470 gen.	-
225'313	Multiple genes	Deletion (3'758bp)	-	470 gen.	-
225'398		Deletion (4'209bp)		-	470 gen.
244'531	Multiple genes without specific annotation	Deletion (4'284bp)	-	-	340 gen.
247'901	Hypothetical Protein	Synonymous SNP C→T	-	470 gen.	-

Figure S5: Comparative genomics of evolved Paride lineages and mutation analysis.

(a) Schematic genome alignment of Paride_1 and Paride_2 lineages from clones sampled at different time points (after ca. 340, 470, and 600 generations of evolution). Grey bars highlight spots where the same or similar mutations have been detected. (b) Full list of mutations identified in the two evolved Paride lineages. Possible biological functions of mutated genes have been inferred from the genome annotation. The table also indicates the first detection of each mutation with respect to the three clones that have been sequenced sequentially for each lineage. All data are shown directly in this illustration.

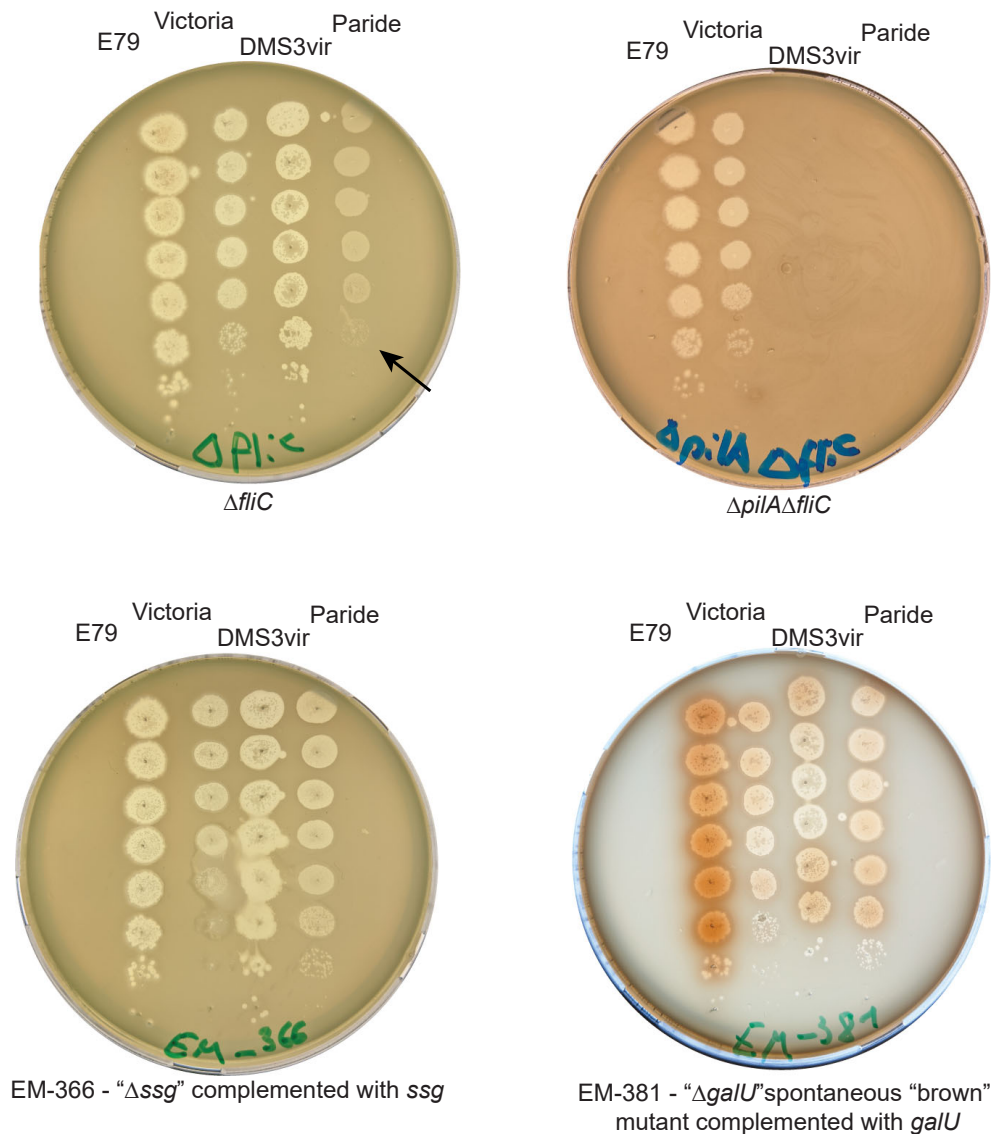
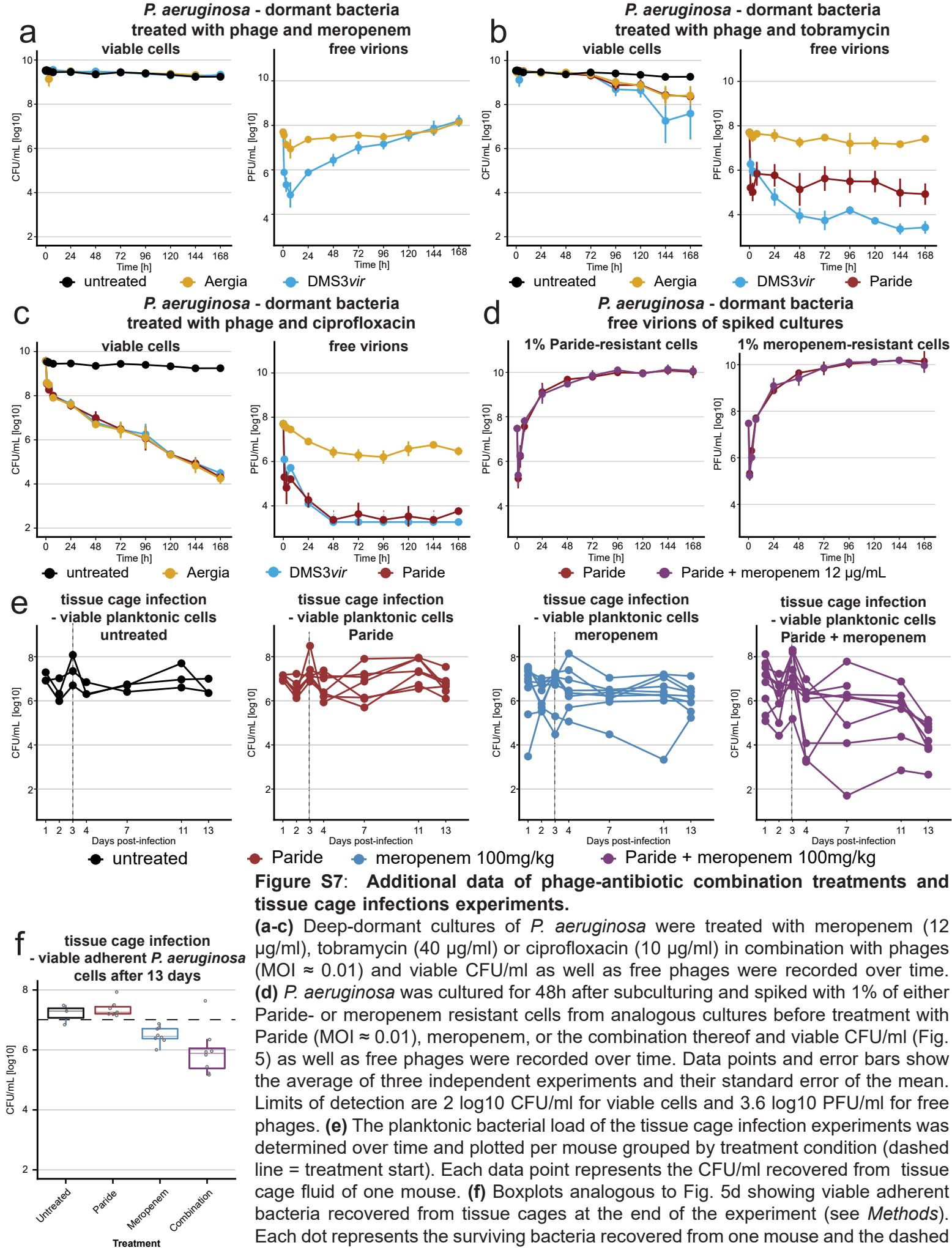


Figure S6: Top agar assays with Paride and control phages on different surface receptor mutants of *P. aeruginosa* PAO1.

Top agars were set up with *P. aeruginosa* PAO1 $\Delta pel \Delta psl$ mutants lacking functional expression of one or more surface receptor genes before infection with serial dilutions of phage Paride and control phages E79 (targeting the LPS core; see Meadow & Wells, *Microbiology* (1978)²), newly isolated phage Victoria (targeting the LPS O antigen), and DMS3vir (targeting type IV pili; see Budzik et al., *J Bacteriol* (2004)³). Arrows highlight opaque plaque formation of phage Paride on several mutants. Strain EM-366 is a spontaneously isolated mutant with a single nucleotide deletion which inactivates the *ssg* gene complemented with the same gene *in cis*. Strain EM-381 is a spontaneously isolated "brown mutant" as described previously with a large deletion around *galU* (Markwitz et al., *ISME J* (2022)⁴) complemented with *galU in cis*. The data are summarized in Table S2. Top agar plates are representatives of at least three independent replicates.



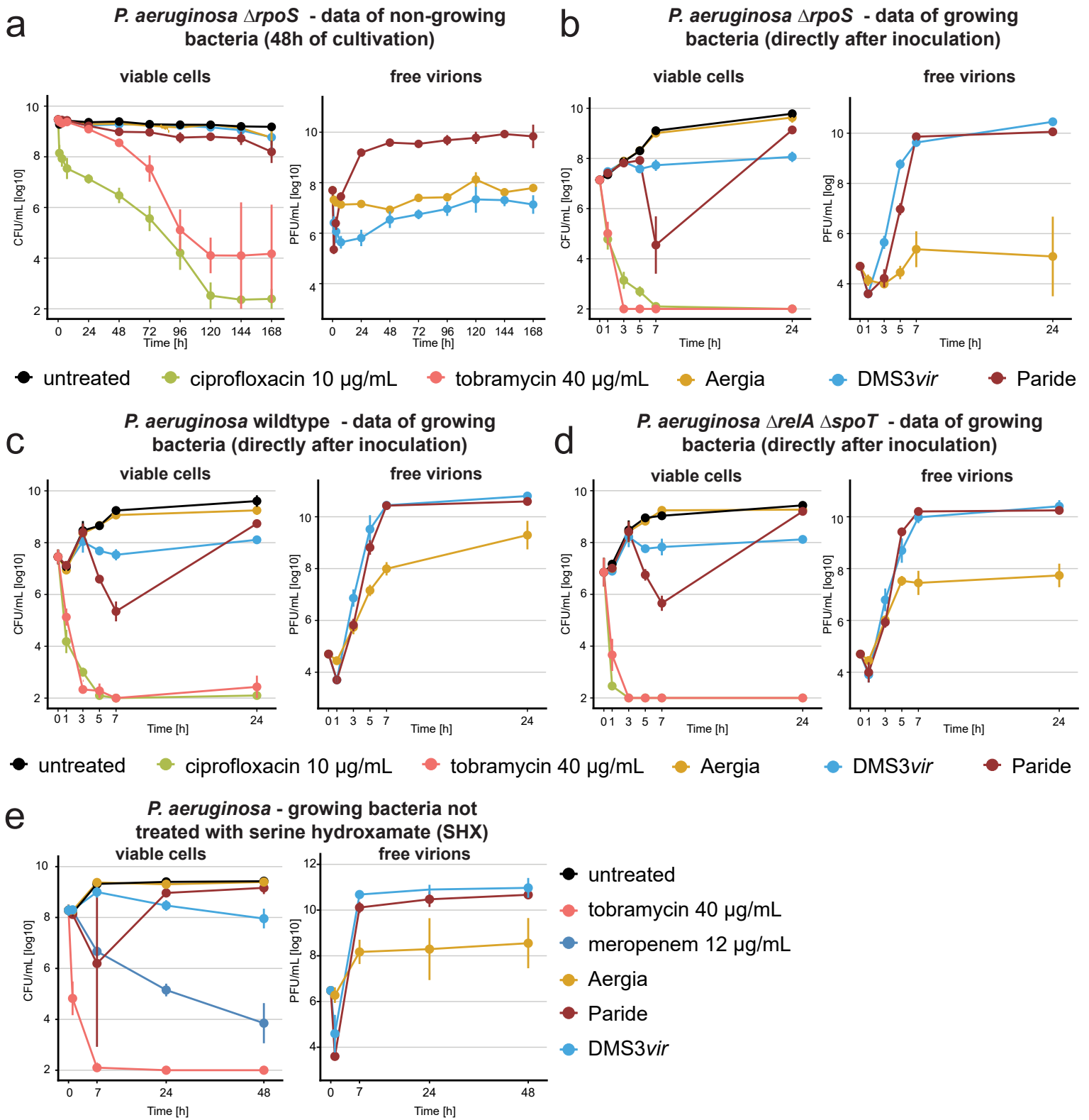


Figure S8: Additional data regarding Paride infections of $\Delta rpoS$ and $\Delta relA \Delta spoT$ mutants as well as in presence of SHX.

(a) Deep-dormant cultures of *P. aeruginosa* PAO1 $\Delta pel \Delta psI$ (wildtype) and its $\Delta rpoS$ derivative both grown in M9Glc were treated with antibiotics or phages (MOI ≈ 0.01) and viable CFU/ml as well as free phages were recorded over time. (b) Fast-growing cultures of *P. aeruginosa* PAO1 $\Delta pel \Delta psI$ (wildtype) and its $\Delta rpoS$ derivative both grown in M9Glc were treated with antibiotics or phages (MOI ≈ 0.001) and viable CFU/ml as well as free phages were recorded over time. (c,d) Fast-growing cultures of *P. aeruginosa* PAO1 $\Delta pel \Delta psI$ (wildtype) and its $\Delta relA \Delta spoT$ derivative both grown in M9Rich were treated with antibiotics or phages (MOI ≈ 0.001) and viable CFU/ml as well as free phages were recorded over time. (e) Growing cultures of *P. aeruginosa* were processed as described for the SHX treatment shown in Fig. 6c (as a control without SHX) and then challenged with antibiotics or phages (MOI ≈ 0.01). Viable CFU/ml as well as free phages were recorded over time. Data points and error bars show the average of three biological replicates and standard error of the mean. Limits of detection are 2 log₁₀ CFU/mL for viable cells, 3.6 log₁₀ PFU/mL for free phages. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.

Table S1 – Bacteriophages used in this study

Common name	Systematic name	Host	Isolation source	Reference
T4	vB_EcoM_T4	<i>E. coli</i> K-12 MG1655	NA	our laboratory collection
Bas37	vB_EcoM_KarlGJung	<i>E. coli</i> K-12 MG1655	NA	Maffei, Shaidullina, et al., <i>PLoS Biology</i> (2021) ⁵
T5	vB_EcoS_T5	<i>E. coli</i> K-12 MG1655	NA	our laboratory collection
Bas27	vB_EcoS_TrudiGerster	<i>E. coli</i> K-12 MG1655	NA	Maffei, Shaidullina, et al., <i>PLoS Biology</i> (2021) ⁵
T7	vB_EcoP_T7	<i>E. coli</i> K-12 MG1655	NA	our laboratory collection
Bas07	vB_EcoS_JakobBernoulli	<i>E. coli</i> K-12 MG1655	NA	Maffei, Shaidullina, et al., <i>PLoS Biology</i> (2021) ⁵
Bas08	vB_EcoS_DanielBernoulli	<i>E. coli</i> K-12 MG1655	NA	Maffei, Shaidullina, et al., <i>PLoS Biology</i> (2021) ⁵
Bas54	vB_EcoM_MaxBurger	<i>E. coli</i> K-12 MG1655	NA	Maffei, Shaidullina, et al., <i>PLoS Biology</i> (2021) ⁵
Bas60	vB_EcoM_PaulScherrer	<i>E. coli</i> K-12 MG1655	NA	Maffei, Shaidullina, et al., <i>PLoS Biology</i> (2021) ⁵
DMS3vir	vB_PaeS_DMS3vir	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> PAO1	NA	Budzik et al., <i>J Bacteriol</i> (2004) ³
Aergia	vB_PaeS_Aergia	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> PAO1	marsh sample (Sursee, CH; March 2019)	this study
Victoria	vB_PaeM_Victoria	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> PAO1	sewage inflow (ARA Canius, Lenzerheide, CH; April 2019)	this study
UT1	vB_PaeM_UT1	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> PAO1	NA	Schrader et al., <i>Can J Microbiol</i> (1997) ⁶ ; obtained from Prof. Tyler Kokjohn
phiKZ	vB_PaeM_phiKZ	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> PAO1	NA	Krylov and Zhazykov, <i>Genetika</i> (1978) ⁷ ; obtained from the Felix d'Herelle Reference Center for Bacterial Viruses

Paride	vB_PaeM_Paride	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> PAO1	rotting plant material from Hörnli cemetery (Basel, CH; May 2019)	this study
Ettore	vB_PaeM_Ettore	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> PAO1	sewage inflow (ARA Basel, CH; March 2020)	this study
Deifobo	vB_PaeM_Deifobo	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> PAO1	sewage inflow (ARA Basel, CH; October 2020)	this study
Cassandra	vB_PaeM_Cassandra	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> PAO1	sewage inflow (ARA Basel, CH; February 2021)	this study

Table S2 – Phage susceptibility of *P. aeruginosa* PAO1 surface receptor mutants

(+) – clear plaques, (+/-) opaque plaque, (-) reduced efficiency of plating, (--) loss of lytic activity

Strain	Phenotype	E79 activity	Victoria activity	DMS3vir activity	Paride activity
PAO1	PAO1 wildtype strain	(+)	(+)	(+)	(+)
PAO1 $\Delta pel\Delta psl$	wildtype strain of this study	(+)	(+)	(+)	(+)
PAO1 $\Delta pilA$	lack of type IV pili	(+)	(+)	(--)	(+/-)
PAO1 \DeltafliC	lack of flagella	(+)	(+)	(+)	(+/-)
PAO1 $\Delta pel\Delta psl \Delta pilA \DeltafliC$	lack of type IV pili and lack of flagella	(+)	(+)	(--)	(--)
PAO1 $\Delta pel\Delta psl \Delta wpbL$	lack of glucosyltransferase WbpL essential for the initiation of O-antigen synthesis	(+)	(--)	(+)	(+/-)
PAO1 $\Delta pel\Delta psl \Delta galU$	lack of uridylyltransferase GalU essential for the synthesis of LPS and O-antigen precursors	(--)	(--)	(+)	(--)
PAO1 $\Delta pel\Delta psl \Delta ssg$	lack of glucosyltransferase Ssg (PA5001) essential for the synthesis of O-antigen	(--)	(--)	(+)	(--)
PAO1 $\Delta pel\Delta psl$ “EM-095”	spontaneous mutant resistant to Paride with a (GGC → G-C deletion at position 5’618’713 that causes a frameshift in <i>ssg</i> (PA5001)	(--)	(--)	(+)	(--)
PAO1 $\Delta pel\Delta psl$ “EM-307”	spontaneous mutant with “brown” phenotype resistant to Paride; carries a deletion of 44’015bp between positions 2’198’124-2’230’850 and 2’231’737-2’242’134 encompassing <i>galU</i>	(--)	(--)	(+)	(--)
PAO1 $\Delta pel\Delta psl$ “EM-366”	EM-095 complemented with SC101miniTn7-Gm-Plac PA5001 (<i>ssg</i>)	(+)	(+)	(+)	(+)
PAO1 $\Delta pel\Delta psl$ “EM-381”	EM-307 complemented with SC101miniTn7-Gm-Plac <i>galU</i>	(+)	(+)	(+)	(+)

Phage E79 is known to depend on structures in the LPS core of *P. aeruginosa* PAO1 (Meadow and Wells, *Microbiology* (1978)²) while phage DMS3vir targets type IV pili (Budzik et al., *J Bacteriol*

(2004)³). Newly isolated phage Victoria requires expression of the LPS O-antigen of *P. aeruginosa* PAO1 as evidenced by loss of lytic activity on a *wbpL* knockout. Base pair coordinates refer to the *P. aeruginosa* PAO1 reference genome (NCBI GenBank accession AE004091).

Table S3 - Strains used in this study

Strains	Description	Reference
<i>E. coli</i> K-12 MG1655	laboratory wildtype strain of <i>E. coli</i>	our laboratory collection
<i>P. aeruginosa</i> PAO1	parental strain of all <i>P. aeruginosa</i> PAO1 strains used in this study	our laboratory collection
PAO1 <i>hsdR17</i>	phage isolation strain of <i>P. aeruginosa</i> PAO1 where the <i>hsdR</i> component of the <i>hsdRMS</i> system was inactivated; the strain is otherwise of wildtype genotype with functional <i>pel</i> and <i>psl</i> loci	this study
PAO1 $\Delta pel \Delta psl$	strain with reduced biofilm formation, used as wildtype strain for all experiments unless stated otherwise	Broder et al., <i>Nat Microbiol</i> (2016) ⁸
PAO1 $\Delta pel \Delta psl \Delta relA \Delta spoT$	strain lacking the (p)ppGpp producing and degrading enzymes RelA and SpoT	this study
PAO1 $\Delta pel \Delta psl \Delta rpoS$	strain lacking the RpoS sigma factor	this study
PAO1 $\Delta pel \Delta psl \Delta wbpL$	strain lacking the glycosyltransferase WbpL essential for O-antigen biosynthesis initiation	this study
PAO1 $\Delta pel \Delta psl \Delta galU$	strain lacking the uridylyltransferase GalU essential for the biosynthesis of LPS and O-antigen precursors	this study
PAO1 $\Delta pilA$	strain lacking the major pilin PilA, unable to assemble type IV pili	Laventie et al., <i>Cell Host Microbe</i> (2019) ⁹
PAO1 $\Delta fliC$	strain lacking the flagellin FliC, unable to assemble flagella	Laventie et al., <i>Cell Host Microbe</i> (2019) ⁹
PAO1 $\Delta pel \Delta psl \Delta pilA \Delta fliC$	strain lacking PilA and FliC, unable to assemble pili and flagella	Jenal lab collection
PAO1 $\Delta pel \Delta psl$ “EM-095”	spontaneous mutant resistant to Paride carrying a point deletion at position 5’618’713 (GGC →G-C) in the PA5001 gene causing a frameshift; this gene codes for Ssg, an enzyme involved in LPS core biosynthesis (see <i>Methods</i>), strongly suggesting that this structure is part of the host receptor used by Paride; this mutant was isolated as a survivor of a deep-dormancy infection	this study
PAO1 $\Delta pel \Delta psl$ “EM-307”	spontaneous mutant with “brown” phenotype resistant to Paride carrying a deletion of 44’015bp between positions 2’198’124-2’230’850 and 2’231’737-2’242’134 around <i>galU</i>	this study
PAO1 $\Delta pel \Delta psl$ “EM-366”	EM-095 complemented with SC101miniTn7-Gm-Plac PA5001/ <i>ssg</i>	this study
PAO1 $\Delta pel \Delta psl$ “EM-381”	EM-307 complemented with SC101miniTn7-Gm-Plac <i>galU</i>	this study
PAO1 $\Delta pel \Delta psl$ “EM-429”	wildtype strain transformed with mCTX::ev	this study

PAO1 $\Delta pel\Delta psl$ “EM-430”	wildtype strain transformed with pUC18miniTn7::ev	this study
PAO1 $\Delta pel\Delta psl$ “EM-431”	“EM-095” transformed with mCTX::ev	this study
401190-12 – Pseaer “EM-460”	clinical isolate used as template for the generation of EM-497	this study
PAO1 $\Delta pel\Delta psl$ <i>oprD</i> <i>CI</i> <i>NDM</i> “EM-497”	strain engineered to have high meropenem resistance (see Table S7); it carries an inactivating mutation in the <i>oprD</i> gene (involved in meropenem import) and was transformed with SC101miniTn7 encoding a constitutively expressed NDM β -lactamase amplified from EM-460;	this study
PAO1 \DeltapscC “EM-358”	strain lacking PscC, an essential structural component of the type III secretion system	this study

Base pair coordinates refer to the *P. aeruginosa* PAO1 reference genome (NCBI GenBank accession AE004091).

Table S4 – Oligonucleotide primers used in this study

Primers	Description	Sequence 5'->3'
prAH2057	Linearisation of pFOGG vector	CATAAAGTGTAAGCCTGGGG
prAH2058	Linearisation of pFOGG vector	GCTATCTGGACAAGGGAAAAC
prAH2079	Shuttling primers from pEX18-Tc to pFOGG	TTGCGTTTTCCCTTGTCCAGATAGCCCAGTCACGACG TTGTAAAAC
prAH2283	Shuttling primers from pEX18-Tc to pFOGG	GGCACCCCAGGCTTTACACTTTATGCAGGAAACAGC TATGACCATG
prEM0028	To amplify <i>hsdR</i> insert	CGCCATTCTAGACTCATCGAAGCCGGTGACGAATT
prEM0029	To amplify <i>hsdR</i> insert	CGCCAGGAGCTCAACTCGACAATAAGCCGGGCAAG
prEM0005	To introduce M353(ATG->TGA) stop mutation in <i>hsdR</i> sequence	TGCGGTCACAAAGGGTTCGGCTACGCTG
prEM0006	To introduce M353(ATG->TGA) stop mutation in <i>hsdR</i> sequence	CTTTGTGACCGCAGTTCGATTCCATCATC
prEM0013	Verification of <i>hsdR17</i> mutation	ATCGCTGGCCAACATCATCG
prEM0014	Verification of <i>hsdR17</i> mutation	GTGCGCCTCGTCGATCAATA
prEM0135	Verification of <i>relA</i> deletion	GTGACTGGCAACTGACTCTGG
prEM0136	Verification of <i>relA</i> deletion	GATCGACCTTGAGATGCCG
prEM0070	Verification of <i>spoT</i> deletion	GTCTTCGGCAACCTCTACGGCA
prEM0071	Verification of <i>spoT</i> deletion	GTCGTCGCCATAGAAGGCAACC
prEM0072	Verification of <i>rpoS</i> deletion	AGTTAGTACGTCGGTACCTGC
prEM0073	Verification of <i>rpoS</i> deletion	AACATCACCGAGAAGAAGGA

prEM0312	To amplify <i>galU</i> deletion insert	TTGCGTTTTCCCTTGTCCAGATAGCCTACTCCTGGAT CAGATGCGT
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prEM0314	To amplify <i>galU</i> deletion insert	CCTTCTTGATCATGAGAATCCTTCGACA
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prEM0316	Verification of <i>galU</i> deletion	CGATGACGAACAGATCGAAATC
prEM0317	Verification of <i>galU</i> deletion	AGTTCAGCAAGTACGCGGC
prEM0059	To amplify <i>wbpL</i> deletion insert	TTGCGTTTTCCCTTGTCCAGATAGCGTTCCACCAGTT GGGCTTG
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prEM0066	Verification of <i>wbpL</i> deletion	CTTGTAGTTGATCTGCACACC
prEM0067	Verification of <i>wbpL</i> deletion	CTATGCCATCTCCAAATACG
prEM0306	To amplify PA5001 deletion insert	TTGCGTTTTCCCTTGTCCAGATAGCTTCGATATAGAC ATCTTCCAGGC
prEM0307	To amplify PA5001 deletion insert	CTGATGAAAGTTTTTACCTGAGAGTAGCAGCCG
prEM0308	To amplify PA5001 deletion insert	CTCTCAGGTAAAACTTTCATCAGACCTTCATCCTC
prEM0309	To amplify PA5001 deletion insert	GGCACCCCAGGCTTTACACTTTATGAACTGGGTTAT TTCTGCCTGC
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prAH2371	To linearise SC101-miniTn7-Gm for insertion of <i>Plac-lacIQ</i>	ACAGGAAGCAAAGCTGAAAGGAATCCGTTTAAGGG CACCAATAACTG
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prAH2374	To amplify <i>Plac-lacIQ</i> from pAH186SC101_e	GATTCCTTTCAGCTTTGCTTC
prAH2375	To amplify <i>Plac-lacIQ</i> from pAH186SC101_e	GCATAAAGTGTAAGCCTGGG
prAH2202	To exchange ATG to GTG of <i>sce-I</i> gene of pFOG	TGCACTTCACTTTTCTCTATCACTGATAGG
prEM0336	To amplify the NDM beta-lactamase and its promoter region	GAATCCAAGCTAGACTGCGATGGACCCACATTCACC CTGGC
prEM0337	To amplify the NDM beta-lactamase and its promoter region	CGTTTAAGGGCACCAATAACTGTCAGCGCAGCTTGT CGG
prEM0345	To amplify homology regions around <i>oprD</i>	TTGCGTTTTCCCTTGTCAGATAGCAAAGTCGCCGA GCAACAGG
prEM0346	To amplify homology regions around <i>oprD</i>	CATCACTTTCATTGTGATTGCTCC
prEM0347	To amplify the <i>oprD</i> allele of EM-460	GAGCAATCACAATGAAAGTGATG
prEM0348	To amplify the <i>oprD</i> allele of EM-460	CGGTCGATTACAGGATCGACAGCG
prEM0349	To amplify homology regions around <i>oprD</i>	CGCTGTCGATCCTGTAATCGACCG

prEM0350	To amplify homology regions around <i>oprD</i>	GGCACCCCAGGCTTTACACTTTATGCATTTCCCTCGCG GACGATG
prEM0324	To screen for <i>oprD_CI</i> insertion	AAGAAGAAGACTAGCCGTCCTGC
prEM0325	To screen for <i>oprD_CI</i> insertion	GTTTTTTCGTTGCCTGTGC
prEM0295	To amplify upstream homology for deleting PA1716 (<i>pscC</i>)	TTGCGTTTTCCCTTGTCCAGATAGCGAATGTCTTCCA TGCTCCGT
prEM0296	To amplify upstream homology for deleting PA1716 (<i>pscC</i>)	CGCCGCCTGCTGAATTAGCATGGCCTGGAAGA
prEM0297	To amplify upstream homology for deleting PA1716 (<i>pscC</i>)	GCCATGCTAATTCAGCAGGCGGCATCAGG
prEM0298	To amplify upstream homology for deleting PA1716 (<i>pscC</i>)	GGCACCCCAGGCTTTACACTTTATGCAGGCGCGCAC CCAGGAACA
prEM0299	To verify deletion of PA1716 (<i>pscC</i>)	GATAGCCGAATTTCTGCAGG
prEM0300	To verify deletion of PA1716 (<i>pscC</i>)	ACTGCGAGTCAAGTCCGAAT
prEM0177	To linearize SC101miniTn7 Gm	CATCGCAGTCTAGCTTGGATTC
prEM0178	To linearize SC101miniTn7 Gm	CAGTTATTGGTGCCCTTAAACG

Table S5 - Plasmids used in this study

Plasmid	Description	Reference
pEX18-Tc	suicide vector for allelic exchange in <i>P. aeruginosa</i>	Hoang et al., <i>Gene</i> (1998) ²⁰
pEX18-Tc_ <i>hsdR17</i>	suicide vector used to generate <i>hsdR17</i> mutation to inactivate <i>hsdR</i> of PAO1	this study
pFOG	suicide vector for allelic exchange in <i>P. aeruginosa</i>	Cianfanelli et al., <i>BMC Microbiol</i> (2020) ¹¹
pFOGG	variant of pFOG in which the ATG start codon of I-SceI has been replaced with GTG	this study
pFOGG_ <i>RelA</i>	suicide vector used to generate <i>relA</i> deletion in PAO1	this study
pFOGG_ <i>SpoT</i>	suicide vector used to generate <i>spoT</i> deletion in PAO1	this study
pFOGG_ <i>RpoS</i>	suicide vector used to generate <i>rpoS</i> deletion in PAO1	this study
pFOGG_ <i>GalU</i>	suicide vector used to generate <i>galU</i> deletion in PAO1	this study
pFOGG_ <i>WbpL</i>	suicide vector used to generate <i>wbpL</i> deletion in PAO1	this study
pFOGG_ PA5001/ <i>ssg</i>	suicide vector used to generate <i>ssg</i> deletion in PAO1	this study
pFOGG_ <i>oprD_CI</i>	suicide vector used to introduce the <i>oprD_CI</i> allele of EM-490 into PAO1	this study
pFOGG_ <i>PscC</i>	suicide vector used to generate <i>pscC</i> deletion in PAO1	this study
SC101miniTn7-Gm-Plac_ <i>galU</i>	complementation of <i>galU</i> mutants	this study
SC101miniTn7-Gm-Plac_ PA5001	complementation of PA5001 mutant	this study
SC101miniTn7-Gm_ NDM	To introduce an NDM beta-lactamase and the 300bp upstream from the template strain (EM-460) into PAO1.	this study
pTNS2	Helper plasmid for transformation of miniTn7 based plasmids	Choi et al., <i>Nat Methods</i> (2006) ¹²
pFLP2	FRT/FLP excising plasmid for removal of antibiotic cassette of miniTn7 based constructs	Hoang et al., <i>Gene</i> (1998) ¹⁰
pUC18miniTn7_ ev	Empty plasmid used as control	Choi et al., <i>Nat Methods</i> (2005) ¹²
miniCTX_ ev	Empty plasmid used as control	Hoang et al., <i>Plasmid</i> (2000) ¹³

Table S6 – Minimum inhibitory concentrations of antibiotics for clinical isolates

Table S6. MIC values of tobramycin and ciprofloxacin for *P. aeruginosa* PAO1 $\Delta pel \Delta psl$, CI249 and CI282 in M9Rich medium. The values reported are the average of two independent experiments.

Strain	Tobramycin sulfate MIC [$\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$]	Ciprofloxacin MIC [$\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$]
PAO1 $\Delta pel \Delta psl$	1	0.125
CI249	2	0.25
CI282	>32	>4

Table S7 – Minimum inhibitory concentration of meropenem for a resistant strain

Table S7. MIC values of *P. aeruginosa* PAO1 $\Delta pel \Delta psl$ and *P. aeruginosa* PAO1 $\Delta pel \Delta psl oprD_{CI} NDM$ in M9Glucose medium. The values are the average of two independent experiments.

Strain	Meropenem trihydrate MIC [$\mu\text{g/mL}$]
PAO1 $\Delta pel \Delta psl$	0.5
PAO1 $\Delta pel \Delta psl oprD_{CI} NDM$	8

Supplementary Note 1 – interpretation of free virion PFU increase for phages infecting dormant *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* cultures

An interesting phenomenon observed with deep-dormant cultures is that some *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* phages seem to rapidly adsorb and enter hibernation after which the number of free virions increases again over the next days, but never above the inoculum (Fig. 1d, Fig. 2b). In the absence of evidence for viral replication or bacterial killing it seems evident that this phenomenon is caused by reversible adsorption of a subpopulation of phages that fail to irreversibly bind the terminal surface receptor and inject their genome. This would be reminiscent of *E. coli* phages T1 or phi80 that can only irreversibly bind their FhuA receptor and inject their genome when FhuA is energized by the TonB system¹⁴. However, the different phages showing this behaviour in our study bind to different receptors on the cell surface with phiKZ and DMS3*vir* targeting type IV pili while PB1-like phages like UT1 generally target the *P. aeruginosa* LPS^{4,15}. Thus, this phenomenon could instead be caused by phenotypic resistance of a bacterial subpopulation to irreversible phage adsorption or by phenotypic heterogeneity on the phage side as observed previously in other contexts¹⁶.

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