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Figure S9. Spheroplasts LPS level perturbation of MCR-1 or M6 -bearing *E. coli*.

139 **(A)** Morphology observation of spheroplasts for indicated strains. The shape of *E. coli* was changed
 140 from rob-shape into ball-shape, representing successful generation of spheroplasts.

141 **(B-C)** The inner membrane permeability of indicated spheroplasts were evaluated by PI staining assay.
 142 The well-prepared spheroplasts were incubated with PI dye for 15 min. The PI-positive proportion was
 143 determined by flow cytometry and analysed by FlowJo version 10 software.

144 All the above-described experiments were performed three times with similar results. Error bars indicate
 145 standard errors of the means (SEMs) for three biological replicates. A two-tailed unpaired *t* test was
 146 performed to determine the statistical significance of the data. ns, no significant difference; *, $P < 0.1$;
 147 ****, $P < 0.0001$. The raw data underlying this Figure can be found in S1_data.