

Table S1. Bacterial strains, plasmids and primers used in this work.

<i>E. coli:</i>	Relevant genotype:	Source or reference:
DH5 α	F-, θ 80 Δ <i>lacZ</i> M15 Δ (<i>lacZYA-argF</i>)U169 <i>deoR recA1 endA1</i> <i>hsdR17</i> (r _k -m _k +) <i>phoA supE44</i> λ - <i>thi-1 gyrA96 relA1</i>	Gibco, BRL
ER2566	F- λ - <i>fhuA2</i> [lon] <i>ompT lacZ::T7 geneI gal sulA11</i> Δ (<i>mcrC-mrr</i>)114::IS10 R(<i>mcr-73::miniTn10</i>)2 R(<i>zgb-210::Tn10</i>)1 (Tets) <i>endA1</i> [dcm]	(Chong & Garcia, 1994)
<i>M. smegmatis:</i>		
mc ² 155	wild type	(Snapper <i>et al.</i> , 1990)
SMR5	mc ² 155 Δ <i>rpsL</i>	(Sander <i>et al.</i> , 1995)
SMR5 <i>dop</i>	SMR5 <i>dop::aph</i> ; Kan ^r	(Imkamp <i>et al.</i> , 2009)
MsHD396	SMR5, pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGQ; Hyg ^r	This work
MsHD397	SMR5, pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGE; Hyg ^r	This work
MsHD398	SMR5 <i>dop</i> , pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGQ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MsHD399	SMR5 <i>dop</i> , pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGE; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MsHD206	mc ² 155, pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGQ; Hyg ^r	This work

MsHD207	mc ² 155, pMN-NL- <i>pup</i> -His ₆ ; Hyg ^r	This work
MsHD209	mc ² 155, pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -G; Hyg ^r	This work
MsHD208	mc ² 155, pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GG; Hyg ^r	This work
MsHD212	mc ² 155, pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGA; Hyg ^r	This work
MsHD219	mc ² 155, pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -AGQ; Hyg ^r	This work
MsHD217	mc ² 155, pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GAQ; Hyg ^r	This work
MsHD213	mc ² 155, pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -AAQ; Hyg ^r	This work
MsHD214	mc ² 155, pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -AAE; Hyg ^r	This work
MsHD215	mc ² 155, pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGE; Hyg ^r	This work
MsHD220	mc ² 155, pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGN; Hyg ^r	This work
MsHD221	mc ² 155, pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGD; Hyg ^r	This work
MsHD218	mc ² 155, pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGA5Q; Hyg ^r	This work
MsHD216	mc ² 155, pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GFQ; Hyg ^r	This work
MsHD223	mc ² 155, pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGQG; Hyg ^r	This work
MsHD222	mc ² 155, pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGQA; Hyg ^r	This work
MsHD225	mc ² 155, pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGEG; Hyg ^r	This work
MsHD224	mc ² 155, pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGEA; Hyg ^r	This work

M. tuberculosis:

H37Rv	wild type American Type Culture Collection 25618	ATCC
CDC1551	wild type	W. Bishai collection
MHD2	<i>pafA282::ΦMycoMarT7</i> ; Kan ^r	(Darwin <i>et al.</i> , 2003)
MHD6	<i>pafA420::ΦMycoMarT7</i> ; Kan ^r	(Darwin <i>et al.</i> , 2003)
MHD58	CDC1551 <i>dop::ΦMycoMarT7</i> ; Kan ^r	(Lamichhane <i>et al.</i> , 2003)
MHD18	H37Rv, pMV306; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	(Darwin <i>et al.</i> , 2003)
MHD525	H37Rv pMN-NL- <i>His₆-pup</i> -GGQ; Hyg ^r	This work
MHD531	H37Rv pMN-NL- <i>His₆-pup</i> -GGE; Hyg ^r	This work
MHD537	MHD2 pMN-NL- <i>His₆-pup</i> -GGQ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD535	MHD2 pMN-NL- <i>His₆-pup</i> -GGE; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD586	CDC1551 pMN402; Hyg ^r	This work
MHD585	CDC1551 pMN-NL- <i>His₆-pup</i> -GGQ; Hyg ^r	This work
MHD584	CDC1551 pMN-NL- <i>His₆-pup</i> -GGE; Hyg ^r	This work
MHD62	MHD2, pMV306; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	(Festa <i>et al.</i> , 2007)
MHD63	MHD2, pMV- <i>pafA</i> - <i>His₆</i> ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work

MHD65	MHD6, pMV- <i>pafA</i> -His ₆ ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD273	MHD2, pMV- <i>pafA</i> (1-414)-His ₆ ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD259	MHD2, pMV- <i>pafA</i> (E9A)-His ₆ ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD261	MHD2, pMV- <i>pafA</i> (E11A)-His ₆ ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD578	MHD2, pMV- <i>pafA</i> (R53E)-His ₆ ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD579	MHD2, pMV- <i>pafA</i> (Y55K)-His ₆ ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD620	MHD2, pMV- <i>pafA</i> (D57N)-His ₆ ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD263	MHD2, pMV- <i>pafA</i> (E63A)-His ₆ ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD580	MHD2, pMV- <i>pafA</i> (H123A)-His ₆ ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD269	MHD2, pMV- <i>pafA</i> (R171A)-His ₆ ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD581	MHD2, pMV- <i>pafA</i> (R187A)-His ₆ ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD582	MHD2 pMV- <i>pafA</i> (H207E)-His ₆ ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD583	CDC1551 pMV306; Hyg ^r	This work
MHD375	MHD58 pMV306; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD376	MHD58 pMV- <i>dop</i> -His ₆ ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD559	MHD58 pMV- <i>dop</i> (E8A)-His ₆ ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD560	MHD58 pMV- <i>dop</i> (E10A)-His ₆ ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work

MHD607	MHD58 pMV- <i>dop</i> (D95N)-His ₆ ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD561	MHD58 pMV- <i>dop</i> (E100A)-His ₆ ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD629	MHD58 pMV- <i>dop</i> (R222A)-His ₆ ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD608	MHD58 pMV- <i>dop</i> (H96V)-His ₆ ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD563	MHD58 pMV- <i>dop</i> (R206A)-His ₆ ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD539	MHD58 pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGQ; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work
MHD541	MHD58 pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGE; Hyg ^r , Kan ^r	This work

Plasmids and primers

(sequences are 5' to 3'):

pET24b(+)	For production of C-terminal His ₆ epitope-tagged protein; Kan ^r	Novagen
pMN402	Hyg ^r ; shuttle plasmid with <i>gfp</i> under the control of the BCG <i>hsp60</i> promoter	(Scholz <i>et al.</i> , 2000)
pMV306	Hyg ^r ; Mycobacterial plasmid that integrates at attB site on the Mtb chromosome	(Stover <i>et al.</i> , 1991)
pET24b(+)- <i>pafA</i> (1-414)-His ₆	Rv2098c-f1 GCCTGTTCCAGGTAGGTAGT PafA(1-414)r CGAAGCTTATCACGTCCCGCCTCCTGCG	

pET24b(+)-His ₆ - <i>pup</i>	Used as template for making <i>pup</i> mutant plasmids.	(Pearce <i>et al.</i> , 2008)
pMV- <i>pafA</i> -His ₆	Used as template for making <i>pafA</i> plasmids.	(Festa <i>et al.</i> , 2007)
pMV- <i>pafA</i> (1-414)-His ₆	pMV306F	CGGTTCCCTGGCCTTTTGCTGGCC
	414PafA-ClaIr	CGATCGATATCACGTCCCGCCTCCTGCGCGGGCGCTG
pMV- <i>pafA</i> (E9A)-His ₆	PafA-E9Af	AGCGTCGAATCATGGGCATCGCCACCGAGTTCGGTGTCACCTG
	PafA-E9Ar	CAGGTGACACCGAACTCGGTGGCGATGCCCATGATTCGACG
pMV- <i>pafA</i> (E11A)-His ₆	PafA-E11Af	GAATCATGGGCATCGAAACCGCCTTCGGTGTCACCTGCACATT
	PafA-E11Ar	AATGTGCAGGTGACACCGAAGGCGGTTTCGATGCCCATGATTC
pMV- <i>pafA</i> (R53E)-His ₆	PafA-R53Ef	CGTCTTCCTGCGTAACGGTGCGGAACTGTATCTCGACGTGGGCAG
	PafA-R53Er	CTGCCACGTCGAGATACAGTTCGCGACCGTTACGCAGGAAGACG
pMV- <i>pafA</i> (Y55K)-His ₆	PafA-Y55Kf	CTGCGTAACGGTGCGCGCCTGAAGCTCGACGTGGGCAGTCATCCCG
	PafA-Y55Kr	CGGGATGACTGCCACGTCGAGCTTCAGGCGCGCACCGTTACGCAG
pMV- <i>pafA</i> (D57N)-His ₆	PafA-D57Nf	CGGTGCGCGCCTGTATCTCAACGTGGGCAGTCATCCCGAGTACG
	PafA-D57Nr	CGTACTCGGGATGACTGCCACGTTGAGATACAGGCGCGCACCG
pMV- <i>pafA</i> (E63A)-His ₆	PafA-E63Af	TCGACGTGGGCAGTCATCCCGCCTACGCCACCGCCGAATGCG
	PafA-E63Ar	CGCATTCGGCGGTGGCGTAGGCGGGATGACTGCCACGTCG
pMV- <i>pafA</i> (H123A)-His ₆	PafA-R123Af	CGGGCAACTCCTACGGCTGCGCCGAAAACCTACCTGATCGTGCG

	PafA-R123Ar	CGCACGATCAGGTAGTTTTTCGGCGCAGCCGTAGGAGTTGCCCG
pMV- <i>pafA</i> (R171A)-His ₆	PafA-R171Af	CCACCTACTGCTTAAGCCAAGCCGCCGAACACATTTGGGAGGG
	PafA-R171Ar	CCCTCCCAAATGTGTTTCGGCGGCTTGGCTTAAGCAGTAGGTGG
pMV- <i>pafA</i> (R187A)-His ₆	PafA-R187Af	CTCTAGCGCCACGACCCGATCCGCCCCATTATCAACACCCGCGACG
	PafA-R187Ar	CGTCGCGGGTGTGATAATGGGGGCGGATCGGGTCGTGGCGCTAGAG
pMV- <i>pafA</i> (H207E)-His ₆	PafA-R207Ef	CGAGAAGTACCGGCGGCTGGAAGTCATCGTCGGCGACTCCAACATG
	PafA-R207Er	CATGTTGGAGTCGCCGACGATGACTTCCAGCCGCCGGTACTTCTCG
pMV- <i>dop</i> -His ₆	XbaI-pafDf1	GATCGTCTAGAACCACCGCCCAGGCGGCCAACATCGGAGCC
	HindIII-pafDr1	GATCGAAGCTTTTAGCGAGGCTCAGCGGTCAGTTGCTCTAC
pMV- <i>dop</i> (E8A)-His ₆	PafD-E8Af	CAGCGGATTATCGGAACGGCCGTCGAGTACGGCATTTCCTCG
	PafD-E8Ar	CGAGGAAATGCCGTACTCGACGGCCGTTCCGATAATCCGCTG
pMV- <i>dop</i> (E10A)-His ₆	PafD-E10Af	GGATTATCGGAACGGAGGTCGCCTACGGCATTTCCTCGCCGTCGG
	PafD-E59Ar	CCGACGGCGAGGAAATGCCGTAGGCGACCTCCGTTCCGATAATCC
pMV- <i>dop</i> (D95N)-His ₆	PafD-D95Nf	CGGGGCGCGGCTGTATGTCAACCACGCGCACCCGGAATACTCCG
	PafD-D95Nr	CGGAGTATTCCGGGTGCGCGTGGTTGACATACAGCCGCGCCCCG
pMV- <i>dop</i> (E100A)-His ₆	PafD-E100Af	ATGTCGACCACGCGCACCCGGCCTACTCCGCGCCCGAATGCACCG
	PafD-E100Ar	CGGTGCATTCCGGGCGCGGAGTAGGCCGGGTGCGCGTGGTCGACAT

pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -AAE	precC_AAE_RV_R	CCGGATATCTCACTCTGCTGCCTTTTGGACGTATGCGC
pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGE	precC_QtoE_RV_R	CCGGATATCTCACTCTCCGCCCTTTTGGACGTATG
pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGN	precC_QtoN_RV_R	CCGGATATCTCAGTTTCCGCCCTTTTGGACGTATG
pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGD	precC_QtoD_RV_R	CCGGATATCTCAGTCTCCGCCCTTTTGGACGTATG
pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGA5Q	precC_A5_RV_R	CCGGATATCTCACTGTGCTGCTGCTGCTCCGCCCTTTTGGACGTATG
pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GFQ	precC_GtoF_RV_R	CCGGATATCTCACTGAAAGCCCTTTTGGACGTATGCGC
pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGQG	precC_GGQG_RV_R	CCGGATATCTCATCCCTGTCCGCCCTTTTGGACGTATG
pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGQA	precC_GGQA_RV_R	CCGGATATCTCATGCCTGTCCGCCCTTTTGGACGTATG
pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGEG	precC_GGEG_RV_R	CCGGATATCTCATCCCTCTCCGCCCTTTTGGACGTATG
pMN-NL-His ₆ - <i>pup</i> -GGEA	precC_GGEA_RV_R	CCGGATATCTCATGCCTCTCCGCCCTTTTGGACGTATG

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