Table P1. Primers used for mutant complementation using vector pBAD33-Gm

Name	**5' Composition 3'**
- To obtain pBAD33-WecP_{Ah}	
A3-Wec-for	5'-G**GAATTC**AAAGTCTTGGTCATTTGC-3'
A3-Wec-rev	-GCTCTAGATTTCTTCCCAAAGCGATTA-

Primers contain *EcoR*I (bold) and *Xba*I (double underlined), the PCR amplified product was ligated to *EcoR*I-*Sma*I digested pBAD33-Gm

- To obtain pBAD33-WecA_{Ec}	
WecA-coli-for	-TCCCCCGGGCGGACTTTCCCTTCTGAAT-
WecA-coli-rev	-GCTCTAGACCCACAAGGTACGAAACAA-

- To obtain pBAD33-WabP_{Se}	
WbaP-salmo-for	-TCCCCCGGGAACGATGCTTGCTGTAAAAA-
WbaP-salmo-rev	-GCTCTAGACATGGCAGGTTAAAGGTGA-

Primers contain *Sma*I (underlined) and *Xba*I (double underlined), the PCR amplified product was ligated to *Xba*I-*Sma*I digested pBAD33-Gm

- To obtain pBAD33-WecA_{Kp}	
52145wecA-A	-GAAGATCTGTATAATGGCGCCGGATAG-
52145wecA-D	-GAAGATCTCGACTATCCAGCCTTTTCC-

Primers contain *Bgl*II (double underlined), the PCR amplified product was ligated to *Sma*I digested pBAD33-Gm and the right fragment orientation by DNA sequence determination