

Supplemental file S1. Molecular characterization of *SCCmec* associated with PFGE

pattern C and sequence type ST100: Pediatric clone in Argentina ^a

Primer sets used for identifying <i>SCCmec</i>			Reference (Amplicon size, bp)	<i>SCCmec</i> types				
Amplified region	Primer name	Primer sequence (5' → 3')		IV(2B)/ CA05 ^b	IV(2B&5)/ ZH47 ST100 Zurich ^b	V(5C2)/ WIS ^b	VI(4B)/ HDE288 ^b	IVNv/ ^c PFGE type C ST100 Argentina
<i>ccr</i> complex								
<i>ccrA2</i>	β2	ATTGCCTTGATAATAGCCITCT	32 (1000)	+	+	-	-	+
	α2	TAAAGGCATCAATGCACAAACACT						
<i>ccrB2</i>	<i>ccrB2F2</i> F2	AGTTTCTCAGAATTGCGAACG	31 (311)	+	+	-	-	+
	<i>ccrB2F2</i> R2	CCGATATAGAAWGGGTTAGC						
<i>ccrAB4</i>	<i>ccrAB4</i> F1	TCA TCA ATA AGT ATG GAA CG	34 (1549)	-	-	-	+	-
	<i>ccrAB4</i> R1	TTT CTT GCG ACT CTC TTG G						
<i>ccrC</i>	<i>ccrC</i> F2	GTACTCGTTACAATGTTGG	31 (449)	-	+	+	-	-
	<i>ccrC</i> R2	ATAATGGCTTCATGCTTACC						
Class B <i>mec</i> complex				+	-	-	+	-
IS 1272	IS5	AACGCCACTCATACATATGGAA	32 (2000)	+	-	-	+	-
	mA6	TATACCAAACCCGACAAAC						
ψIS 1272 and <i>mecR1</i>	ISF1	AATTGAAGCAAATGCCAATCG	34 (1903)	+	-	-	+	-
	MRP1	CAACTGTCGTAGTCGAAACC						
Class B2 <i>mec</i> ^d complex				-	+	-	-	+
Tn4001-1 [IS1256L- aac(2')-aph(6'')] ^d	Tn4001-1-F	GCCAATCGCTTAATTGGAGCCG	This study (709)	-	+	-	-	+
	Tn4001-1-R	ACTTCATCTTCCCAAGGCTCTGT						
Tn4001-2 (IS256R-IS 1272)	Tn4001-2-F	TGGCCATCACGTGTTCTGGG	This study (968)	-	+	-	-	+
	Tn4001-2-R	TCGGATGTCGTCCGAGGACT						
Tn4001-3 (<i>mecA</i> -IS256L)	Tn4001-3-F	ACCAAACCCGACAACTACAACAT	This study (1298)	-	+	-	-	+
	Tn4001-3-R	GTGTCTAAAGCTGCGCTCA						
J3 region								
dcs	dcs-F2	CATCCTATGATAAGCTGGTC	31 (342)	+	-	-	+	+
	dcs-R1	CTAAATCATAGCCATGACCG						
J1 region								
SCCmec V	SCCmecV- J1-F	TTCTCCATTCTGTTCATCC	31 (377)	-	-	+	-	-
	SCCmecV- J1-R	AGAGACTACTGACTTAAGTGG						
SCCmec IV ^e								
IVa	J IVa F	ATAAGAGATCGAACAGAACG	33 (278)	+	-	-	-	-
	J IVa R	TGAAGAAATCATGCCTATCG						
IVc	J IVc F	CCATTGCAAATTCTCTTCC	33 (483)	-	+	-	-	+
	J IVc R	ATAGATTCTACTGCAAGTCC						

^a *SCCmec*: Staphylococcal Cassette Chromosome *mec*; PFGE: Pulsed field gel electrophoresis;

^b *SCCmec* type/strain name: *SCCmec* type associated with strain control.

^c *SCCmec* IVNv: new variant of *SCCmec* type IV associated with Pediatric clone (pulsotype C-ST100) in Argentina [15,33,34].

^d Primers designed based on the previously determined sequence of strain ZH47 accession number AM292304 [32]. Amplicons with the expected size were end sequenced, obtaining 100% of homology with the ZH47 strain genome sequence.

^e The SCCmec IV subtypes IVb, IVd, IVg, IVh also were assayed by PCR [30], only positive ones are shown.