

1 **Table S1. Failure of *sleB*^{E151A} to complement for germination function.**

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_____ cfu/ml/OD₆₀₀^a _____

3 **Strain** **Genotype** **-lysozyme** **+lysozyme**

4 DPBA61 *ΔcwlJI* 2x10⁸ 8x10⁷

5 DPBA74 *ΔcwlJI ΔsleB* 2x10⁵ 4x10⁷

6 DPBA145 *ΔcwlJI ΔsleB/pDPV346 sleB* 1x10⁸ 6x10⁷

7 DPBA151 *ΔcwlJI ΔsleB/pDPV430 sleB*^{E151A} 1x10⁵ 4x10⁷

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9 ^a Spores were plated onto BHI medium with and without 1 μg/ml of lysozyme.