

Table S1. Primers used to amplify and sequence CRISPR arrays in *E. coli* isolates

Name	Primer Sequences (5'-3')	Note
C1F1 ^{a,b}	TCTCTTCTTTGCAGGGAGGC	Amplification and sequencing CRISPR1
C1F2 ^a	GAAAATGTCCCTCCGCGCTTACG	Amplification and sequencing CRISPR1
C1R1	AATAGAACGTCGCTGCCGTGA	Amplification and sequencing CRISPR1
C2bF1	CCTCATGTTCAAAATAGCTCTCCA	Amplification and sequencing CRISPR2b
C2bR1 ^a	CGATCCAGAGCTGGTCGAATG	Amplification and sequencing CRISPR2b
C2aF1	GGCATTAAATTTTCGCTGGA	Amplification and sequencing CRISPR2a
C2aR1	GAACATGAGGTGTTACGTGGA	Amplification and sequencing CRISPR2a
C1I1 ^c	CCTGGATACGAGAACAAATT	Sequencing internal region of CRISPR1
C1I2 ^c	TTACCACCCAGACACTGATA	Sequencing internal region of CRISPR1
C1I3 ^d	AACGGGAACAGGGCAAATGT	Sequencing internal region of CRISPR1
C1I4 ^d	CTGAAACCAGTTGGCTCGTT	Sequencing internal region of CRISPR1

^a Primers from Díez-Villaseñor et al (2010)

^b Forward primer for isolates without CAS-E system

^c Internal sequencing primer for *E. coli* O6 isolates

^d Internal sequencing primer for *E. coli* O174 isolates