

**Table S11.** Bacterial strains used in this study.

Strain	Characteristics	Reference
<i>Agrobacterium tumefaciens</i> LBA288	Rif <sup>r</sup>	[1]
<i>Alcaligenes</i> sp. LM16R	Rif <sup>r</sup> derivative of wild-type strain LM16	[2]
<i>Escherichia coli</i> BR825	<i>polA::Tn10 trp</i>	[3]
<i>E. coli</i> ER2566	F <sup>-</sup> $\lambda$ <i>fhuA2 (lon) ompT lacZ::T7 geneI gal sulA11 <math>\Delta</math>(mcrC mrr)114::IS10 R(mcr-73::mini-Tn10)2 R(zgb-210::Tn10)1 (Tet<sup>s</sup>) endA1 (Dcm)</i>	Laboratory collection
<i>E. coli</i> TG1	F <sup>+</sup> [ <i>traD36 proAB<sup>+</sup> lacI<sup>f</sup> lacZ<math>\Delta</math>M15</i> ] <i>supE thi-1 <math>\Delta</math>(lac-proAB) <math>\Delta</math>(mcrB-hsdSM)5, (r<sub>K</sub>m<sub>K</sub>)</i>	Laboratory collection
<i>Ochrobactrum</i> sp. LM19R	Rif <sup>r</sup> derivative of wild-type strain LM19	[2]
<i>Paracoccus aminophilus</i> JCM 7686	wild type	[4]
<i>P. aminophilus</i> JCM 7686R	Rif <sup>r</sup> derivative of wild-type strain JCM 7686	[5]
<i>P. aminophilus</i> AMI1	pAMI1-less derivative of the strain JCM 7686R	This work
<i>P. aminophilus</i> AMI4	pAMI4-less derivative of the strain JCM 7686R	This work
<i>P. aminophilus</i> AMI6	pAMI6-less derivative of the strain JCM 7686R	This work
<i>P. aminophilus</i> AMI8	pAMI8-less derivative of the strain JCM 7686R	This work
<i>P. aminophilus</i> AMI68	pAMI6-less and pAMI8-less derivative of the strain JCM 7686R	This work
<i>Paracoccus pantotrophus</i> KL100	Rif <sup>r</sup> derivative of wild-type strain DSM 11073	[6]
<i>Paracoccus versutus</i> UW225	Rif <sup>r</sup> derivative of wild-type strain UW1	[7]
<i>Rhizobium etli</i> CE3	Str <sup>r</sup>	[8]
<i>Sinorhizobium</i> sp. LM 21R	Rif <sup>r</sup> derivative of wild-type strain LM21	[2]

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