

**Table S2** Primers used for various purposes in this study

target	sequence (5'→ 3')
<b>M-strain specific:</b>	
<i>mmar_3798</i> forward	TGGAAGATATCGGGAACTGC
<i>mmar_3798</i> reverse	TTAGCGGCGAAAGACTTGAT
<i>kdpC</i> forward	TGCCGCAGTACTTCCAGAG
<i>kdpC</i> reverse	ACGCCTTGAAAGACATCCAG
<b>E11-strain specific</b>	
<i>mmarE11_00270</i> forward	TGCACGAATTGCTCTTCAAC
<i>mmarE11_00270</i> reverse	ACGACATGCTGACGTACTCG
<i>mmarE11_28790</i> forward	CAAGCTCACAACCGTGAAAA
<i>mmarE11_28790</i> reverse	CGAATATCGCCAAACCTGAT
<b>pRAW-specific primers</b>	
<i>virB4</i> homologue forward	GGCATAGGATTTGCCGTATC
<i>virB4</i> homologue reverse	AGCTTGAAGCCAACATCGAC
relaxase forward	CTACCGCGACTACAACACCA
relaxase reverse	GGGGTGAACGTGAGGTCATA
<i>eccC<sub>p1</sub></i> forward	TGCGRCTGGTGGTGGTACT
<i>eccC<sub>p1</sub></i> reverse	GGCGAACTCGTCAATGACCA
<i>eccA<sub>p1</sub></i> forward	CACCCAAGCGATGTGYCTTC
<i>eccA<sub>p1</sub></i> reverse	GCCATCAGCTTGGTCAGTTC
<b>primers for complementation</b>	
<i>eccBC6</i> AflIII forward	TTTTTCTTAAGGCAACGGCGCAGAACCGATT
<i>eccBC6</i> HindIII reverse	TTTTTAAGCTTCGTAGCCGCTCTGAAGGACA
<i>eccC6</i> AflIII forward	TTTTTCTTAAGGCAGACCGAACGCGTCTATC
<i>virb4</i> -like HindIII forward	TTTAAGCTTATGAGCCAGACCGTGGTGAG
<i>virb4</i> -like PacI reverse	TTTTTAATTAAGCATCACGACCGCCAATTC

The introduced restriction sites in the primers used for complementation are shown in italics. pRAW-specific primers contain two ambiguity bases to increase detection (based on pMyong sequence homology).