

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Domain interactions control complex formation and polymerase specificity in the biosynthesis of the *Escherichia coli* O9a antigen

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Table S1. Sequences of oligonucleotide primers used to generate site-directed mutants and recombinant plasmids.

Plasmid	Primer	Sequence ^{a,b,c} (5'→3')	Features
pWQ766	LG33	gatcgaaatt <u>c</u> ccatgc <u>t</u> catcatcatcatcatcatc atcatcatCATATTTGATTGATGT CCAGGG	Forward primer for the amplification of His ₁₀ - <i>wbdA</i> ¹⁻¹³⁰⁵ ; <i>Eco</i> RI restriction site
	LG34	gatcaag <u>c</u> tttaTTCGCTCAGCGCAT CGATTTCTGC	Reverse primer for the amplification of <i>wbdA</i> ¹⁻¹³⁰⁵ ; <i>Hind</i> III restriction site
pWQ769	WbdAE317AFwd	GTGTTCCCGTCGCTGCATGCA GGTTTCGGCC	Forward primer used to generate E317A mutation in His ₁₀ -WbdA
	WbdAE317AFwd	GCGGCAGGCCGAAACCTGCA TGCAGCGACG	Reverse primer used to generate E317A mutation in His ₁₀ -WbdA
pWQ770	SL001	CAACTTCATCTGGGATA <u>ACT</u> <u>CGAGG</u> ATGCCAGCGTACCG	Forward primer used to introduce non-sense mutation and <i>Xho</i> 1 restriction site in <i>wbdA</i> after codon 635.
	SL002	CGGTACGCTGGC <u>ATCCTCGA</u> <u>GT</u> TATCCCAGATGAAAGTTG	Reverse primer used to introduce non-sense mutation and <i>Xho</i> 1 restriction site in <i>wbdA</i> after codon 635.
pWQ771	SL005	GTGGTG <u>C</u> ATGATATT <u>TAACTC</u> <u>GAG</u> CGCCGTCCGGAGTGG	Forward primer used to introduce non-sense mutation and <i>Xho</i> 1 restriction site in <i>wbdA</i> after codon 568.
	SL006	CCACTCCGGACGGCG <u>CTCGA</u> <u>GT</u> TAATATCATGCACCAC	Reverse primer used to introduce non-sense mutation and <i>Xho</i> 1 restriction site in <i>wbdA</i> after codon 568.
pWQ772	SL071	CATCTCTCCGGAG <u>CTGTAA</u> <u>CTCGA</u> GATTGACAGCATGCG CGCC	Forward primer used to introduce non-sense mutation and <i>Xho</i> 1 restriction site in <i>wbdA</i> after codon 547.
	SL072	GGCGCG <u>C</u> ATGCTGTCA <u>ATCTC</u> <u>GAG</u> TTACAGCTCCGGGAAGA GATG	Reverse primer used to introduce non-sense mutation and <i>Xho</i> 1 restriction site in <i>wbdA</i> after codon 547.
pWQ773	SL069	GGTGCTGACGA <u>ACCGGTGT</u> A <u>ACTCGA</u> GAGACGATGTGCTT ATTGCC	Forward primer used to introduce non-sense mutation and <i>Xho</i> 1 restriction site in <i>wbdA</i> after codon 526.
	SL070	GGCAATAAGCACATCGT <u>CT</u> <u>CGAG</u> TTACACCGGTT <u>CGTCA</u> GCACC	Reverse primer used to introduce non-sense mutation and <i>Xho</i> 1 site in <i>wbdA</i> after codon 526.
pWQ774	SL003	CTACTACACC <u>CTGGCTAACTC</u> <u>GAG</u> CGCTACGCCAACCC	Forward primer used to introduce non-sense mutation and <i>Xho</i> 1 restriction site in <i>wbdA</i> after codon 502.

	SL004	GGTTGGCGTAGCG<u>CTCGAGT</u> TAGCCAGGGGTGAGTAG	Reverse primer used to introduce non-sense mutation and <i>Xba</i> I restriction site in <i>wbdA</i> after codon 502.
pWQ775	SL012	gatctctagagATGCATATTTGATT GATGTCCAGGG	Forward primer used for the amplification of <i>wbdA</i> ¹⁻¹⁹⁰⁵ and cloning into pUT18C; <i>Xba</i> I restriction site
	SL022	gatcgatt<u>tta</u>TCCCAGATGAAAG TTGCTG	Reverse primer for the amplification of <i>wbdA</i> ¹⁻¹⁹⁰⁵ and cloning into pUT18C; <i>Eco</i> RI restriction site
pWQ776	SL012	gatctctagagATGCATATTTGATT GATGTCCAGGG	Forward primer for the amplification of <i>wbdA</i> ¹⁻¹⁷⁰⁴ and cloning into pUT18C; <i>Xba</i> I restriction site
	SL015	gatct<u>tagacc</u>AATATCATGCACC ACGAAG	Reverse primer for the amplification of <i>wbdA</i> ¹⁻¹⁷⁰⁴ and cloning into pUT18C; <i>Eco</i> RI restriction site
pWQ777	SL012	gatctctagagATGCATATTTGATT GATGTCCAGGG	Forward primer for the amplification of <i>wbdA</i> ¹⁻¹⁶⁴¹ and cloning into pUT18C; <i>Xba</i> I restriction site
	SL075	gatcgatt<u>tta</u>CAGCTCCGGGAAG AGATG	Reverse primer used for the amplification of <i>wbdA</i> ¹⁻¹⁶⁴¹ and cloning into pUT18C; <i>Eco</i> RI restriction site
pWQ778	SL012	gatctctagagATGCATATTTGATT GATGTCCAGGG	Forward primer for the amplification of <i>wbdA</i> ¹⁻¹⁵⁷⁸ and cloning into pUT18C; <i>Xba</i> I restriction site
	SL073	gatcgatt<u>tta</u>CACCGGTTCGTCA GCACC	Reverse primer for the amplification of <i>wbdA</i> ¹⁻¹⁵⁷⁸ and cloning into pUT18C; <i>Eco</i> RI restriction site
pWQ779	SL012	gatctctagagATGCATATTTGATT GATGTCCAGGG	Forward primer for the amplification of <i>wbdA</i> ¹⁻¹⁵⁰⁶ and cloning into pUT18C; <i>Xba</i> I restriction site
	SL016	gatct<u>tagacc</u>GCCAGGGTAG TAGACGG	Reverse primer for the amplification of <i>wbdA</i> ¹⁻¹⁵⁰⁶ and cloning into pUT18C; <i>Eco</i> RI restriction site
pWQ780	LG79	gatcgat<u>ctagag</u>ATGCATATTTGA TTGATGTCCAGGG	Forward primer for the amplification of <i>wbdA</i> ¹⁻¹³⁰⁵ and cloning into pUT18C; <i>Xba</i> I restriction site

	LG80	<u>gatcgaattcta</u> TTCGCTCAGCGCAT CGATTCTGC	Reverse primer for the amplification of <i>wbdA</i> ¹⁻¹³⁰⁵ and cloning into pUT18C <i>EcoRI</i> restriction site
pWQ781	LG81	<u>gatcgatctagag</u> ATGCAGAAAATC GATGCGCTGAGCG	Forward primer for the amplification of <i>wbdA</i> ¹²⁷⁹⁻²⁵²⁰ and cloning into pUT18; <i>XbaI</i> restriction site
	SL014	<u>gatcgaattcga</u> TTGCTTCGCGGGCTG GCGCG	Reverse primer for the amplification of <i>wbdA</i> ¹²⁷⁹⁻²⁵²⁰ and cloning into pUT18; <i>EcoRI</i> restriction site

^aRestriction sites are underlined.

^bNon-chromosomal sequences are lowercase.

^cPoint mutations are bolded.