

Figure S1

Fig. S1 *aspK* and *cafA* deletion mutants show similar levels of TcpA compared to the wt in AKI conditions. TcpA expression detected by immunoblot in the indicated strains cultivated in AKI conditions; numbers correspond to densitometry measurements normalized to the value of the wt strain. Levels of RNAP alpha serve as a loading control. Densitometry measurements derived from triplicate experiments are shown.

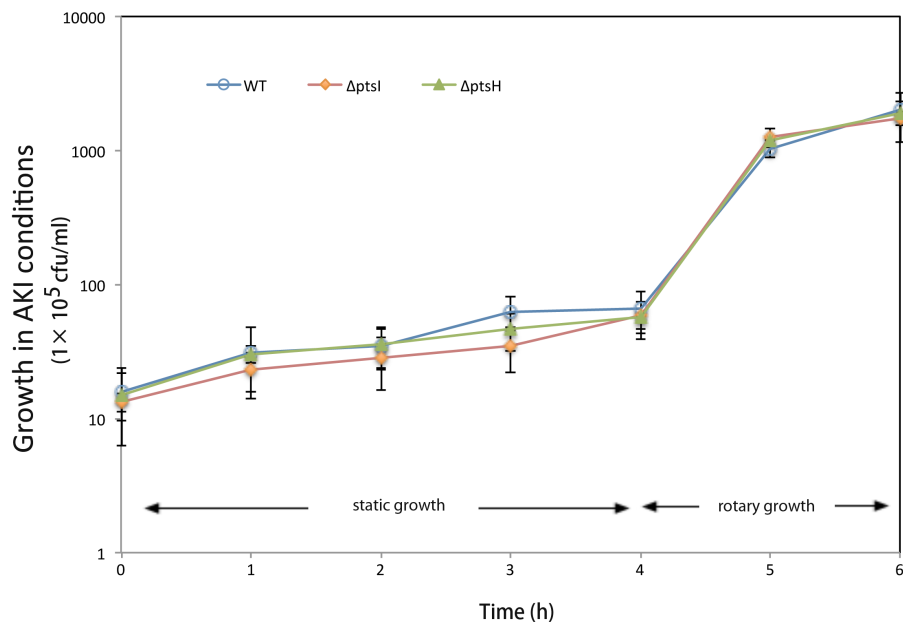


Figure S2

Fig. S2 Growth curve of *V. cholerae* strains grown in AKI induction conditions. The cultures were sampled at indicated time points and plated on the LB agar plates with Streptomycin (200 μ g/ml) after serial dilutions. Three independent experiments were performed in triplicate.-

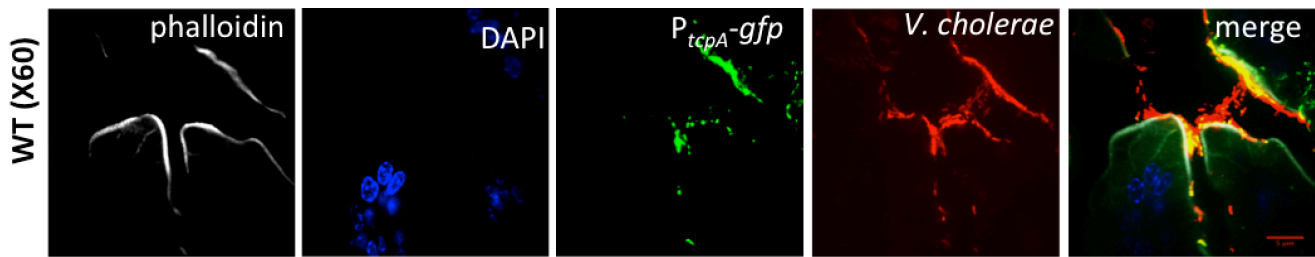


Figure S3

Fig. S3 Heterogeneous expression of *tcpA* in wt *V. cholerae* is seen during infection of suckling mice. *V. cholerae* cells (red) in the small intestine were detected by immunofluorescence, and *tcpA* expression (green) was detected from the chromosomal P_{tcpA} -gfp reporter. Tissue sections were counterstained with phalloidin (gray) and DAPI (blue) to visualize actin and nuclei, respectively, and observed under 60× objectives.

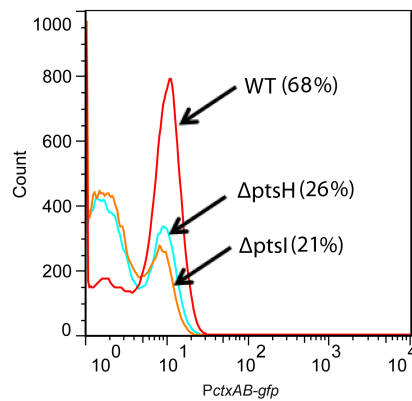


Figure S4

Fig. S4 GFP expression from a chromosomal P_{ctxAB} -gfp in the indicated strains after growth in AKI conditions and monitored by flow cytometry

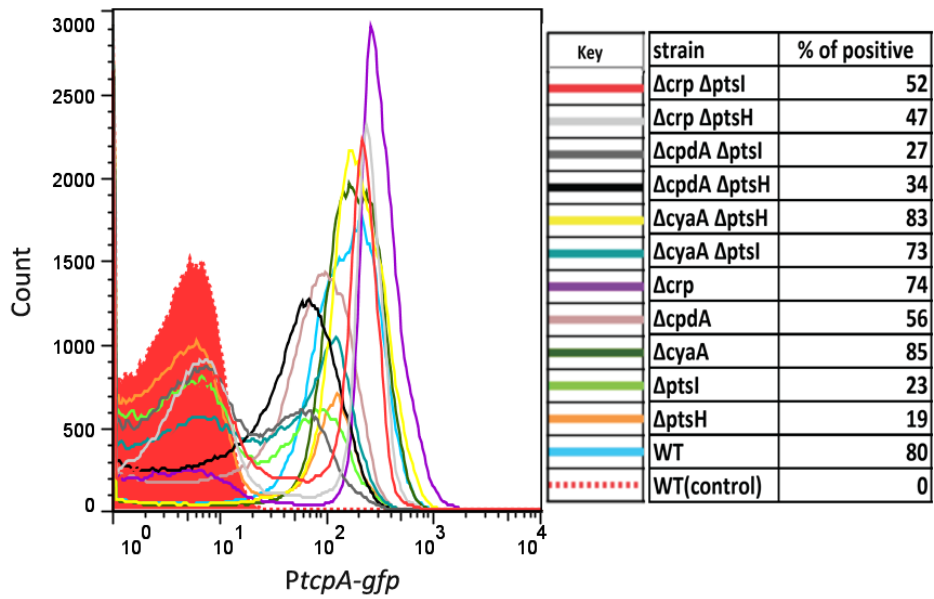


Figure S5

Fig. S5 Flow cytometry assay of TcpA expression after the indicated strains were grown in AKI conditions. In the flow cytometry experiments, each strain contains a chromosomal P_{tcpA} -GFP reporter, except for a wt (control) strain that was used to establish the background level of fluorescence. The percentage of GFP positive cells (% of positive) are shown.

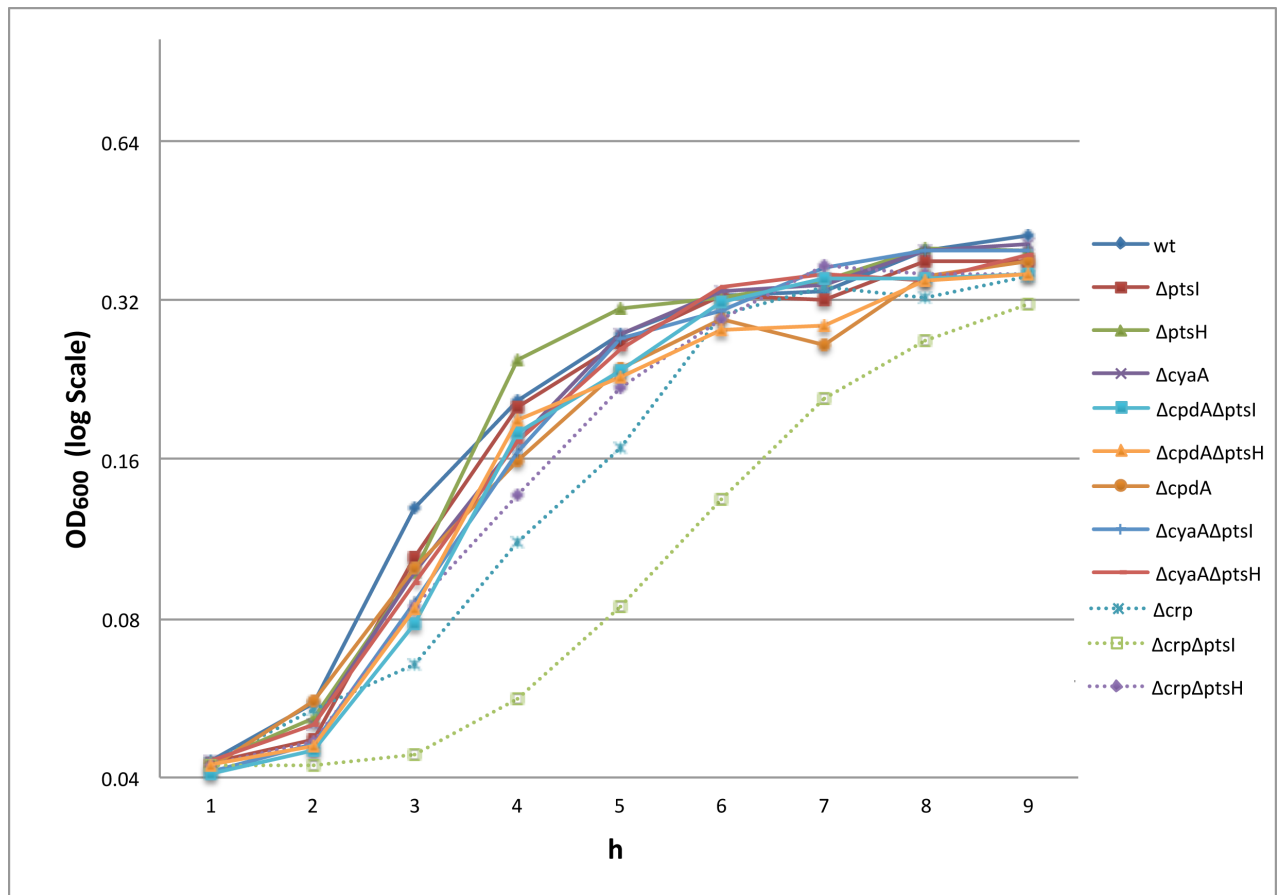


Figure S6

Fig. S6 Growth curves of the wt and PTS related mutants incubated in LB. The bacterial cultures were sampled at indicated time points and OD₆₀₀ were assayed. Data represent three independent assays and values are reported as the mean.

Table S1 Primers used for this study

Construct	primer name	sequence (5'-3')*
<i>P_{tcpA}-bla</i>	PtcpAF1	tggtcgctcggcaatgaatcggggattgtaccgcgGTCTTATCATGAGCCGCCTA
	PtcpAr1	GGAATAAGGGCGACACGGAAATGTTGAATACTCATATTTATATAACTCCACCATTGTGTTTTAA
	blaF1	ATGAGTATTC AACATTTCCGTGTC
	blar1	tcgtccactgatacatggcgtgatgattgtaccatGCGGCATCAGAGCAGATTG
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	gfpR1	tcgtccactgatacatggcgtgatgattgtaccatTATTTGTATAGTTCATCCATGCCATG
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	VC0547_DOWN_F	GAGACTTTGGTCTTGGGAAGGTGAATACTGATCTATGCTAATGTTAGACCCCTGCAAATGT
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	0965delTdor	T TACTTGGTCACGCGTAGGATC
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*Lowercase nucleotides indicate the overhangs used for isothermal assembly in the construction of the plasmids.

Table S2 Genes found by TIS to be required for expression and Carb resistance from *PtcpA-bla*

Classification	Locus	Gene name	MannU (<i>p</i> -value)*	TIGR annotation	Reference
Carb-response related genes	VC2635	<i>pbp1A</i>	1.0×10 ⁻¹⁰	penicillin-binding protein 1A	1
	VC1887	<i>csiV</i>	0.00026	hypothetical protein	2
	VC2300	<i>ampG</i>	0.00004	AmpG protein, putative	3
	VC0581	<i>lpoA</i>	1.0×10 ⁻¹⁰	lipoprotein, putative	1
Established TCP regulators	VC0838	<i>tcpN/toxT</i>	0.00001	TCP pilus virulence regulatory protein	4
	VC1049	<i>aphB</i>	1.0×10 ⁻¹⁰	transcriptional regulator, LysR family	5
	VC2647	<i>aphA</i>	1.0×10 ⁻¹⁰	PadR family transcriptional regulator	6
	VC0826	<i>tcpP</i>	1.0×10 ⁻¹⁰	toxin co-regulated pilus biosynthesis protein P	7
	VC0827	<i>tcpH</i>	1.0×10 ⁻¹⁰	toxin co-regulated pilus biosynthesis protein H	8
	VC0984	<i>toxR</i>	0.00006	regulatory protein ToxR	9
	VC1021	<i>luxO</i>	1.0×10 ⁻¹⁰	LuxO repressor protein	10
	VC0347	<i>hfq</i>	0.00073	host factor-I, putative	11
	VC2529	<i>rpoN</i>	1.0×10 ⁻¹⁰	RNA polymerase sigma-54 factor	12
	VC0034	<i>tcpG/dsbA</i>	0.00025	thiol:disulfide interchange protein	13
Established factors involved in <i>in vivo</i> colonization	VC0965	<i>ptsI</i>	1.0×10 ⁻¹⁰	phosphoenolpyruvate-protein phosphotransferase, EI	14
	VC2433	<i>cpdA</i>	0.00419	cyclic AMP phosphodiesterase	14
	VC1097	<i>pta</i>	0.00014	phosphate acetyltransferase	14
	VC0724	<i>pstC-1</i>	1.0×10 ⁻¹⁰	phosphate ABC transporter, permease protein	14
	VC0725	<i>pstA-1</i>	0.00014	phosphate ABC transporter, permease protein	14
	VC1839	<i>tolQ</i>	0.00074	TolQ protein	14,15
	VC1716	<i>mukF</i>	0.00094	MukF protein	14
	VC1714	<i>mukB</i>	1.0×10 ⁻¹⁰	cell division protein MukB	14
Other putative TCP regulators	VC0966	<i>ptsH</i>	0.00009	Phosphocarrier protein HPr	
	VC0547	<i>aspK</i>	0.00103	aspartokinase, alpha and beta subunits	
	VC0419	<i>cafA</i>	1.0×10 ⁻¹⁰	ribonuclease G/cytoplasmic axial filament protein	
	VC2736	<i>hslO/hsp33</i>	0.00005	33 kDa chaperonin (Heat shock protein 33) (HSP33)	
	VC2153	VC2153	0.00128	D,D carboxypeptidase-related protein	
	VC0346	<i>miaA</i>	0.00026	tRNA delta(2)-isopentenylpyrophosphate transferase	
	VC2775	<i>mmnG/gidA</i>	0.00372	tRNA uridine 5-carboxymethylaminomethyl modification enzyme	
	VC0556	<i>gshA</i>	0.00001	glutamate--cysteine ligase	
	VC2033	<i>adhE</i>	1.0×10 ⁻¹⁰	alcohol dehydrogenase/acetaldehyde dehydrogenase	
	VC1866	<i>pflB</i>	0.00012	formate acetyltransferase	
	VC0003	<i>mmnE/trmE/thdF</i>	0.0008	thiophene and furan oxidation protein ThdF	
VCA0511	<i>nrdD</i>	1.0×10 ⁻¹⁰	anaerobic ribonucleoside-triphosphate reductase		

*Limit of detection and cutoff are *p*-value <1.0×10⁻¹⁰ and *p*-value <0.005, respectively, with the Mann Whitney U-based analysis of the TIS data.

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