

**Table S1** Strains and plasmids used in this study

Strain or plasmid	Description	Reference/ source
<i>P. chlororaphis</i>		
G5	Phz <sup>+</sup> ,Rif <sup>r</sup> , wild-type strain isolated from Chinese parsley	Li et al. 2009
G5-6	gacA::Tn5 mutant of G5, Km <sup>r</sup>	This study
G5-6/gacA+	G5-6 carrying pUCP26-gacA for complementation, Rif <sup>r</sup> , Tc <sup>r</sup>	This study
30-84	Phz+,Rif+, wild-type strain isolated from wheat	Maddula et al. 2006
449	Phz+,Rif+, wild-type strain isolated from maize	Veselova et al., 2008
<i>Escherichia coli</i>		
DH5α	F <sup>-</sup> endA1 hsdR17 (rK - mK <sup>+</sup> ) supE44 thi-1 recA1 gyrA96 relA1 Φ80dlacZΔM15 λ <sup>-</sup>	Green and Sambrook 2012
S17-1	thi pro hsdR hsdM recA rpsLRP4-2 (Tc <sup>r</sup> ::Mu) (Km <sup>r</sup> ::Tn7)	Green and Sambrook 2012
<i>C. violaceum</i> CV026	Violacein production-based acyl-HSL bioreporter,Km <sup>r</sup>	McClean et al. 1997
Plasmids		
pUT mini-Tn5 Km	MiniTn5 transposon, Km <sup>r</sup>	de Lorenzo and Timmis 1994
pUCP26	Broad host vector, Tc <sup>r</sup>	West et al, 1994
<i>Rhizoctonia cerealis</i>	Pathogenic fungus, causes sharp eyespot in cereal	Lab collection

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