

Supplement to:

A Biotin Biosynthesis Gene Restricted to *Helicobacter*

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Supplementary Table 1. Bacterial strains and plasmids used in this study

Bacterial Strains	Genotype	Reference or source
<i>E. coli</i>		
DH5 α	$\Delta(argF-lac)169$ $\phi 80dlacZ58(M15)$ $\Delta phoA8$ $glnV44$ <i>deoR481 gyrA96, recA1 endA1, hsdR17</i>	Lab stock
BL21 (Tuner)	F ⁻ <i>ompT hsdS_B (r_B⁻ m_B⁻) gal dcm lacYI</i>	Novagen
Rosetta(DE3) pLysS	F ⁻ <i>ompT hsdS_B (r_B⁻ m_B⁻) gal dcm (DE3) pLysS</i>	Novagen
STL24	MG1655, $\Delta bioH$	1
ER90	$\Delta bioF bioC bioD$	2,3
<i>H. pylori</i> 26695	Wild-type strain	4
Plasmids		
pET-28b	Km ^r , T7 promoter-based expression vector, pBR322 origin	Novagen
pBluescript SKII	Amp ^r , cloning vector	Stratagene
pHel2	Cm ^r , <i>E. coli-H. pylori</i> shuttle vector	5
pTRKL2	Erm ^r , low-copy-number <i>E. coli/Lactococcus</i> shuttle vector	6
pBAD24M	Amp ^r , NcoI site of pBAD24 changed to an NdeI site, modified pBR322 origin	7
pBAD33	Cm ^r , expression vector containing P _{BAD} promoter and <i>araC</i> , pACYC184 origin	8
pBHK565	Amp ^r , HP0287 (<i>bioV</i>) cloned into the NdeI and SalI sites of pBAD24M	This work
pBHK566	Amp ^r , HP0288 cloned into the NdeI and SalI sites of pBAD24M	This work
pBHK555	Km ^r , <i>bioV</i> cloned into the NdeI and SalI sites of pET-28b	This work
pBHK624	Amp ^r , BioV S31A of BHK565	This work

pBHK570	Amp ^r , BioV D141A of BHK565	This work
pBHK571	Amp ^r , BioV H167A of BHK565	This work
pBHK616	Km ^r , BioV S31A of BHK555	This work
pBHK576	Km ^r , BioV D141A of BHK555	This work
pBHK577	Km ^r , BioV H167A of BHK555	This work
pBHK532	Cm ^r , PCR-amplified <i>HpAcpS</i> inserted between the KpnI and HindIII sites of pBAD33	This work
pBHK531	Km ^r , PCR-amplified <i>HpAcpP</i> inserted between the NcoI and HindIII sites of pET28-b	This work
pBHK638	Amp ^r , Km ^r , pBluecript SKII (+) containing a cassette consisting of the regions upstream and downstream 600 bp of the <i>bioV</i> gene flanking the kanamycin resistance (<i>aphA3</i>) gene	This work
pBHK639	Cm ^r , Km ^r , pHel2 containing the cassette consisting of the regions upstream and downstream 600 bp of the <i>bioV</i> gene flanking the kanamycin resistance (<i>aphA3</i>) gene	This work
pZL394	Amp ^r , <i>HCD_02280 (HcbioV)</i> cloned into the NdeI and Sall sites of pBAD24M	This work
pZL395	Amp ^r , <i>Hac_0547 (HabioV)</i> cloned into the NdeI and Sall sites of pBAD24M	This work
Oligonucleotides	Sequence	
bioV-f	ATCTGCC <u>CATATG</u> CGTTTTTTTTAGTGGTTTTGG	
bioV-r	ACTCTG <u>TGCGACTT</u> AAGATTTTTGCAACAAATGG	
HP0288-f	CGTCGGCATATGAAAAAATTTGGTTTTGG	
HP0288-r	ATTCTG <u>TGCGACTT</u> AAAGCACATTTTTTCCAA GC	
HbioV-f	CAGGTCC <u>CATATG</u> CGTTTTTTTTAGTGGTTTTG	

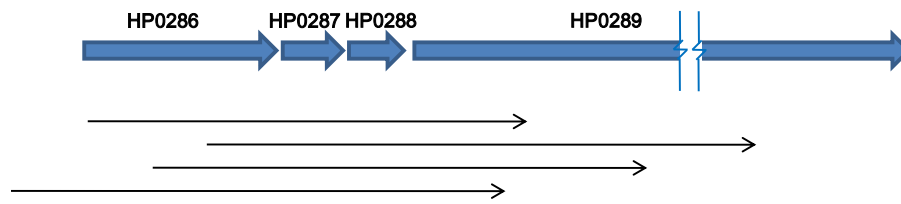
HabioV-r	ATCGT <u>GTCGACT</u> TAAGATTTTTGCAACAAAT GG	
HcbioV-r	ATCTT <u>GTCGACT</u> TATTTCCACCCTTTTGATTC	
HPAcpS-f	AATTAGAGCTCAGGAGTAAACGAATGATTG GCATAGATATTG	
HPAcpS-r	GCGCGGGT <u>TACCT</u> TATTCATTTGACGAAGAAA C	
HPAcpP-f	ACTGAACCATGGGCATGGCTTTATTTGAAGA TATTC	
HPAcpP-r	GGCCAAGCTTAAGCCAGTTTATTATCCTC	
S31A-f	CCTTAATCGCACCCATAGCAAAGCCTGACAC ATCATA	
S31A-r	TATGATGTGTCAGGCTTTGCTATGGGTGCGA TTAAGG	
D141A-f	AAAAGGGCTTGAATGTCAGTGATTTTAGCTT TTAAACCGATAAACACTTCAATC	
D141A-f	GATTGAAGTGTTTATCGGTTTAAAAGCTAAA ATCACTGACATTCAAGCCCTTTT	
H167A-f	CGACTTAAGATTTTTGCAACAAAGCGTTGCA ATCCTTAAACTGCCACA	
H167A-r	TGTGGCAGTTTAAGGATTGCAACGCTTTGTT GCAAAAATCTTAAGTCG	
BioVmut1	AATGACTCGAGAATGAAAGCGCTCTAAACG	
BioVmut2	ATAGAGT <u>CGACT</u> TCACCCGTTCAATAAATCA T	
BioVmut3	ATAAAGT <u>CGACG</u> CGAACCATTTGAGGTGATA G	
BioVmut4	TTTCATCTTCCACCTTTTTTAAAACAATTCAT CCAGT	
BioVmut5	ACTGGATGAATTGTTTTAAAAAAGGTGGAAG ATGAAA	
BioVmut6	ATTATGGAT <u>CCTG</u> CTACCCTCTCATTTCTTA	

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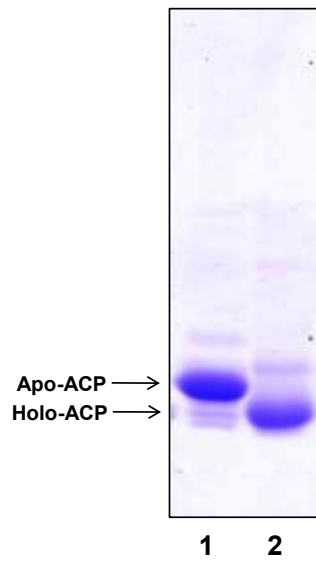
Supplementary Table 2. *H. pylori* biotin and fatty acid synthesis genes

Genes/genetic loci	Enzyme activity
Biotin biosynthesis and attachment	
<i>bplA</i> (HP1140)	Biotin protein ligase
<i>bioC</i> (HP1254)	SAM-dependent malonyl-ACP <i>O</i> -methyltransferase
<i>bioV</i> (HP0287)	Pimeloyl-ACP methyl ester esterase
<i>bioF</i> (HP0598)	8-amino-7-oxononanoate synthase
<i>bioA</i> (HP0976)	7,8-diaminononanoate synthase
<i>bioD</i> (HP0029)	Desthiobiotin synthase
<i>bioB</i> (HP1406)	Biotin synthase, SAM radical enzyme
Fatty acid biosynthesis	
<i>accA</i> (HP0557)	Carboxyl-transferase subunit
<i>accB</i> (HP0371)	Biotin carboxyl carrier protein (BCCP)
<i>accC</i> (HP0370)	Biotin carboxylase
<i>accD</i> (HP0950)	Carboxyl-transferase subunit
<i>acpP</i> (HP0559)	apo-ACP
<i>acpS</i> (HP0808)	Holo-ACP synthase
<i>fabD</i> (HP0090)	Malonyl-CoA : ACP transacylase
<i>fabF</i> (HP0558)	3-Ketoacyl-ACP synthase II
<i>fabH</i> (HP0202)	3-Ketoacyl-ACP synthase III
<i>fabG</i> (HP0561)	3-Ketoacyl-ACP reductase
<i>fabZ</i> (HP1376)	3-Hydroxyacyl-ACP dehydrase
<i>cfa</i> (HP0416)	Cyclopropane fatty acyl phospholipid synthase
<i>fabI</i> (HP0195)	Enoyl-ACP reductase I
<i>ufaA</i> (HP0773)	Involved in unsaturated fatty acid biosynthesis

Abbreviation: SAM, *S*-adenosylmethionine

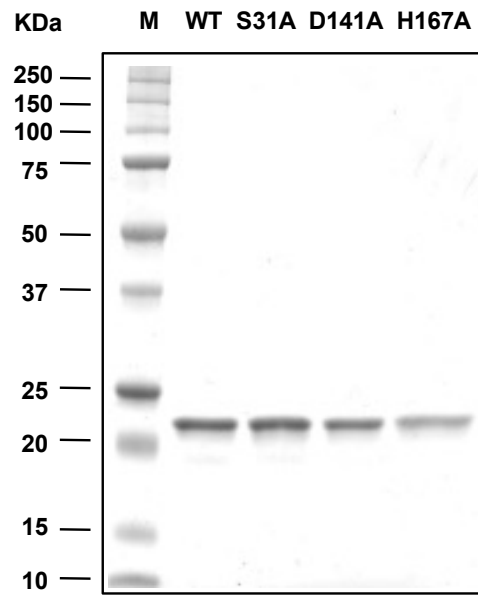


Supplementary Figure 1. The DNA segment common to the complementing clones from the clone bank plasmids. The map at the top of the panel is a section of the pathogenic *H. pylori* strain 26695 genome sequence. HP0287 and HP0288 are ORFs annotated as coding for a hypothetical protein and a membrane protein, respectively. The arrows below the region map represent the four clone bank plasmids that complemented growth the *E. coli* Δ *bioH* mutant strain STL24on biotin-free media.

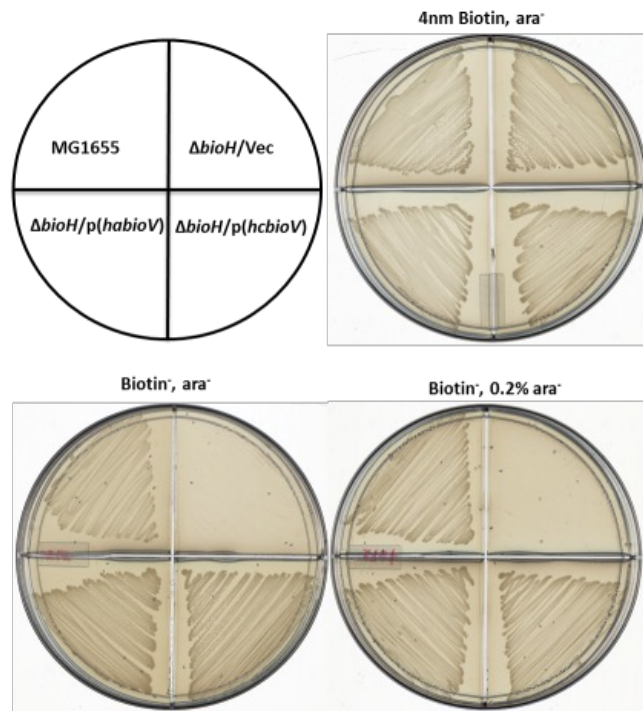


Supplementary Figure 2. Purification of *H. pylori* holo-ACP.

The *H. pylori* apo-ACP was expressed in *E. coli* Rosetta (DE3) pLysS transformed with pBHK531 carrying the *H. pylori acpP* gene (lane 1). The plasmid pBHK532 carrying the *H. pylori acpS* gene was also transformed into the strain to express the holo-ACP (lane 2). The *H. pylori* apo-ACP (lane 1) and holo-ACP (lane 2) were purified as described previously for the *E. coli* proteins⁹.

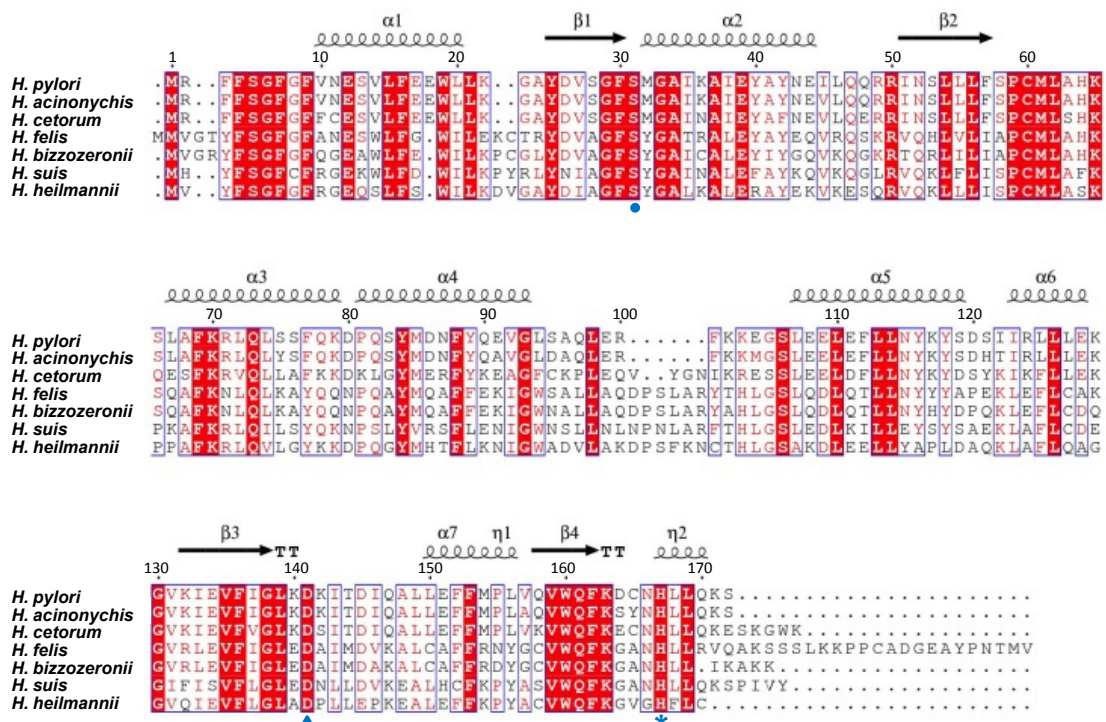


Supplementary Figure 3. SDS-PAGE analysis of the purified BioV and three mutant BioV proteins. Protein samples were separated by electrophoresis using 4-20% gradient SDS-PAGE.



Supplementary Figure 4. Expression of the *bioV* homologues from *Helicobacter acinonychis* or *Helicobacter ceterum* allows growth of an *E. coli* Δ *bioH* strain.

Transformants of strain STL24 (an *E. coli* Δ *bioH* strain) were grown at 37°C on biotin-free minimal medium. Growth was tested in either the presence or the absence of arabinose as in Fig. 2. The growth of all strains in the presence of biotin was used as a positive control. The strains tested were: MG1655 (wild type), STL24 carrying plasmids pZL394 and pZL395 encoding *HcbioV* and *HabioV*, respectively, or the vector plasmid (Vec), pBAD24M.



Supplementary Figure 5. Multiple protein sequence alignments of seven BioV homologues from different *Helicobacter* species.

The predicted protein sequences of the BioV homologues are HP0287 from *H. pylori*, Hac_0547 from *H. acinonychis*, HCD_02280 from *H. cetorum*, HFELIS_03760 from *H. felis*, HBZC1_04080 from *H. bizzozeronii*, HSUHS5_1172 from *H. suis* and HHE01_17100 from *H. heilmannii*. The identical residues are in white letters with red background, and the varied residues are in black letters. The predicted protein secondary structure of BioV is given in cartoon form, which is based on the structural architecture of the arylesterase from *Pseudomonas fluorescens* (PDB: 3HI4) ¹⁰. Designations: α: alpha-helix; β: beta-sheet; T: Turn; η: coil. The solid circle, triangle and asterisk denote the active-site residues.

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