Supplementary Online Information:

Genetic Characterization of *Plasmodium* Putative Pantothenate Kinase Genes Reveals Their Essential Role in Malaria Parasite Transmission to the Mosquito.

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Supplementary Table 1

Primer sequences (5'-3') 39: AGTATGGCATTTCATAAATCTTTGGCTGTAGTA; 40: ACTATTGTTTCATTATTATTATCAATTATACTT: 41: GGCCGCGGATGATAAACCATATTTTGAAGAAATTATTAGTGA: 42: TCCGGATCCGCTTATTCTGGATTTTCAAATGAATAGTTAATAA; 43: GCCCAAGCTTCTTTAAGAAATTATGAACAATTCAAGCAATCCAA; 44: TCCGGTACCTTCCTAATATATATGATTTATAAATTAATTGAT; 45: GAAGATTTTATCATTATTCGAGTCAGAGTACATCA; 46: ACACGAACCCAAAGAAATCGGCAAGCTAAAACTA; 47: ATTATATGGATGTGATTTTTCAGGTAATTCTAA; 48: CATACTCAAATATCTTTTAGTAGTTCCTCAATA; 51: GGCCGCGGGAATAATAAAATCTTTTACACTATTATATCTGCT; 52:TCCGGATCCTTCCAATTAAATCGATATATTTTTACTAATCAT: 53:TGCCAAGCTTTTTTTAATATGTAAATAGTAAAATAAGAATATATG: 54:TCCGGTACCGTTAATGACATTGGTACGTGTGTGTATACTATTTC; 55:ACATTATTAATAATAATAGGTCATAAAATATAAGG; 56:TCTAAACAAAATATCAACTTTTTTGTTGTTGTTCCT; 57:GGCCGCGGAGCACAAATACCAATACAAATCAAATCACCACTT; 58:TCCGAATTCAGAAAAAAAACCTCCGATAACTCCTAAAAATCC; 61: GGCCGCGGTGGGGCAAGACAAATATAAAACCTTTAAAACCCAT; 62: TCCGGATCCAAAGGAGCATTATACTCCTATGATATTCCCCAT; 63: TGCCAAGCTTTTTTGAAACACTTTTTTTTTTAAGTTATATTTG; 64: TCCGGTACCTTGACAACAAATATTATTTTTAATTTGAAAACG: 65: TGTAGTTAAGTGATCATATATAGTAACTGAGTT; 66: TGAAGCTCTATATATTTTGACTAAATACGAAATT; 67: GCAAAGTAAAGATGGTGAATTTTCATTAAACGAA: 68: TCAATAAAAAAAGGGATATAACTGATTTATACCC: 16: ATGTCCATTAACATCACCATCTAATTCAACAAG; 17: GTGTTCTTTCTGATGTTCAAGAAGAAAAAGGTA; real18S-F: GCGGCGAGTACGCTATATCC; real18S-R: CATGTCGAAGATGCGAGAAA; realPanK1-F: GTAGATATGTCTTTATAAACTTGAGG; realPanK1-R: AGAACTTCGGGGTATTGTATCATCT: realPanK2-F: CTTTGATATGTCTGTTGGCGATATT; realPanK2-R: ATTCATAGCTGACCCGAAACA; realPAT-F: GTCCGCTTTAGGAGGAGTATTAG; realPAT-R: ACGGTACTCTACCAAACATAGC; realPPCS-F: TGGATAATATATTGGGCGAACT; realPPCS-R: CCTCCAGAGGTGACCAAA; realPPCDC-F: CGAGGTGATGATATCTTGCATATAGA; realPPCDC-R: TCCAACAACGACAAATAGAGGT; realPPAT-F: TGCCCTTGATATTCGAGATATGTT; realPPAT-R: GTGTTCGATTTGTTCGCTCTTAAT; realDPCK-F: CATCAGTTCGGTAGTGGTGAA; realDPCK-R: ACCTACAGCTATACCTCCTGTAA; rtEXP1-F: AACAAGTATGGTAAAAATGGCAAATATGGCTCC; rtEXP1-R: GTTTTGAACATTTGGGGGTGTTAGATGGTGCAGG: rt18S-F: GCGGCTTAATTTGACTCAACACGGGGAAACTCA; rt18S-R: CCGCAAAAGAGCAAAAGGTAAACCAATTGATTA; rtDHFR-F: GTAAGAATATGGGAAGCTAATGGAACAAGAGAA; rtDHFR-R: AGCATTACCCAATACATGTATAAATTCAGCTGG.

Supplementary Figure 1



Supplement. Figure1: Similar transcription levels of *PanK1, PanK2* and different unrelated genes (*18S, EXP1* and *DHFR/TS*) during the blood stage cycle of *P. yoelii* 17XNL WT strain compared to *Pyp230p(-)* control WT-like strain. RT-PCR analysis of total RNA isolated from blood stage parasites of 17XNL WT and *Pyp230p(-)* strains (with similar infected blood parasitemia of ~1%) was performed using the primer pairs listed in Supplementary Table1. Control RT-PCR reactions on RNA in the absence of reverse transcription (-) and on genomic DNA were also performed. Similar amounts of RNA of 60 ng was used for each RT +/- reaction, while 20 ng of WT gDNA was used for each genomic PCR reaction.