SUPPLEMENTAL FIGURES AND TABLES

A *Rhizobiales*-specific unipolar polysaccharide adhesin contributes to *Rhodopseudomonas palustris* biofilm formation across diverse photoheterotrophic conditions

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FIG S1. Conservation and synteny of core *upp* **and** *hfs* **gene clusters.** Genes (arrows) are colored based on predicted homology and function such that genes of the same color are putative homologs. Genes without a predicted role in polysaccharide biosynthesis and export are shown in grey. Query cover, % Identities/Positives, and E values for and *hfs* and *upp* homologs can be found in Dataset S1 and S2, respectively.



FIG S2. Increased total WGA-488 fluorescence and bipolar and cell body staining of *R. palustris* grown in low P_i photoheterotrophic conditions. (A) Normalized total WGA-488 fluorescence from batch UPP quantification via total WGA-fluorescence assay following 3 d of growth under indicated photoheterotrophic conditions. Individual values for biological replicates (n=4-5) are shown with lines indicating the means. (B) Epifluorescence microscopy of WT *R. palustris* cells stained with WGA-488 after 2 days of growth in low P_i photoheterotrophic conditions. Arrowheads indicate staining of bipolar or cell body regions. Scale bar, 5 μm.

TABLE S1. Putative orthologs of UppABCDEF in C. crescentus CB15 identified by

reciprocal best hits approach

| Agrobacterium tumefaciens | TBLASTN best hit in <i>Caulobacter crescentus</i> CB15 (AE005673.1) | | | | BLASTX recirprocal best hit in <i>Agrobacterium</i> <i>tumefaciens</i> C58 ((AE007869.2) | | | |
|---|--|----------------|-----------------------|----------|---|----------------|-----------------------|----------|
| sequence | locus tag | Query cover | % Ident/ Positives | E value | locus tag | Query cover | % Ident/ Positives | E value |
| Atu1240/UppA (NP_354252.1, 409 aa) | No matches | | | | N/A | | | |
| Atu1239/UppB (NP_354251.1, 753 aa) | CC_0164 | 51% | 30%/51% | 3.00E-37 | Atu3556 | 99% | 29%/52% | 1.00E-41 |
| Atu1238/UppC (NP_354250.1, 190 aa) | CC_0169 | 86% | 39%/61% | 5.00E-34 | Atu1238/ UppC | 100% | 39%/61% | 8.00E-38 |
| Atu1237/UppD (NP_354249.1, 393 aa) | CC_3345 | 46% | 24%/42% | 4.00E-03 | Atu2297 | 92% | 53%/65% | 2.00E-49 |
| Atu1236/UppE (NP_354248.2, 517 aa) | CC_2425/ hfsE | 70% | 38%/57% | 1.00E-71 | Atu1236/ UppE | 89% | 41%/60% | 6.00E-68 |
| Atu1235/UppF (NP_354247.1, 413 aa) | CC_1446 | 11% | 31%/48% | 2.10 | Atu3137 | 57%; | 39%/67% | 8.00E-04 |
| BLASTP Alignment of putative homologs UppC & HfsD (AAK24403.1) | | 63% | 33%/46% | 4.00E-13 | | | | |

TABLE S2. Putative orthologs of UppABCDEF in R. palustris CGA009 identified by

reciprocal best hits approach

| Agrobacterium tumefaciens | TBLAST palu | N best hi <i>Istris</i> CGA | t in <i>Rhodopseu</i> A009 (BX57196 | domonas 33.1) | BLASTX recirprocal best hit in <i>Agrobacterium</i> <i>tumefaciens</i> C58 (NC_003062.2) | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|------------------|---|-------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| Č58 (AE007869.2) query sequence | Č58 (AE007869.2) query sequence locus tag Query % Ident/ cover Positives | | % Ident/ Positives | E value | locus tag | Query cover | % Ident/ Positives | E value |
| Atu1240/UppA (NP_354252.1, 409 aa) | RPA2753 | 97% | 28%/44% | 4.00E-24 | Atu1240/ UppA | 100% | 28%/44% | 3.00E-32 |
| Atu1239/UppB (NP_354251.1, 753 aa) | RPA2752 | 53% | 39%/60% | 5.00E-74 | Atu1239/ UppB | 100% | 39%/60% | 3.00E-85 |
| Atu1238/UppC (NP_354250.1, 190 aa) | RPA4833 | 78% | 52%/72% | 6.00E-48 | Atu1238/ UppC | 100% | 52%/72% | 1.00E-53 |
| Atu1237/UppD (NP_354249.1, 393 aa) | RPA2751 | 79% | 40%/56% | 5.00E-69 | Atu1237/ UppD | 100% | 40%/56% | 7.00E-68 |
| Atu1236/UppE (NP_354248.2, 517 aa) | RPA2750 | 94% | 49%/62% | 5.00E-143 | Atu1236/ UppE | 100% | 49%/62% | 6.00E-148 |
| Atu1235/UppF (NP_354247.1, 413 aa) | RPA4581 | 76% | 38%/57% | 2.00E-47 | Atu1235/ UppF | 100% | 38%/57% | 2.00E-42 |

TABLE S3. Statistical analyses for comparing relative biofilm formation by WT across

growth conditions in Fig. 3A

| | Post-hoc test | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|-------------|
| WT only | Dunnett's | Holm- Sidak's | Uncorrect ed Fisher's LSD | Dunnett's w/o sea salts | Holm- Sidak's w/o sea salts | Dunnett's on log transformed data | unpaired, two- tailed t test (Welch's correction) | Consensus |
| Standard vs low Pi | 0.0686 | 0.0414 | 0.0209 | < 0.0001 | < 0.0001 | < 0.0001 | < 0.0001 | significant |
| Standard vs N2-fixation | 0.9399 | 0.5633 | 0.5633 | 0.1685 | 0.0699 | < 0.0001 | < 0.0001 | ns |
| Standard vs 1.5% sea salts | < 0.0001 | < 0.0001 | < 0.0001 | N/A | N/A | < 0.0001 | < 0.0001 | significant |
| Standard vs chemohetero- trophy | 0.0002 | 0.0001 | < 0.0001 | < 0.0001 | < 0.0001 | < 0.0001 | < 0.0001 | significant |

Due to violation of the assumption of homogeneity of variances when performing a Two-way ANOVA for the data plotted in Fig. 3A, multiple statistical analyses were performed and compared to reach a consensus for interpreting this data set.

| Alphaproteobacterial species in phylogenetic analysis | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Species | GenBank accession number/taxid | | | | |
| Agrobacterium tumefaciens C58 | AE007869.2/176299 | | | | |
| Rhodopseudomonas palustris CGA009 | BX571963.1/258594 | | | | |
| Rhizobium leguminosarum bv. viciae 3841 | CP007045.1/216596 | | | | |
| Sinorhizobium meliloti 1021 | AL591688.1/266834 | | | | |
| Mesorhizobium loti MAFF303099 | BA000012.4/266835 | | | | |
| Bradyrhizobium japonicum USDA 110 | BA000040.2/224911 | | | | |
| Bradyrhizobium sp. BTAi1 | LN901633.1/288000 | | | | |
| Rhodopseudomonas palustris BisA53 | CP000463.1/316055 | | | | |
| Nitrobacter winogradskyi Nb-255 | CP000115.1/323098 | | | | |
| Nitrobacter hamburgensis X14 | CP000319.1/323097 | | | | |
| Ochrobactrum anthropi ATCC 49188 | CP000758.1/439375 | | | | |
| Brucella melitensis 16M | AE008917.1/224914 | | | | |
| Brucella suis 1330 | AE014291.4/204722 | | | | |
| Bartonella henselae Houston-1 | BX897699.1/283166 | | | | |
| Bartonella bacilliformis KC583 | CP000524.1/360095 | | | | |
| Xanthobacter autotrophicus Py2 | CP000781.1/78245 | | | | |
| Azorhizobium caulinodans ORS 571 | AP009384.1/438753 | | | | |
| Methylobacterium extorquens AM1 | CP001510.1/272630 | | | | |
| Prosthecomicrobium hirschi ATCC 27832T | LJYW0000000.1/665126 | | | | |
| Rhodomicrobium vannielii ATCC 17100 | CP002292.1/648757 | | | | |
| Hyphomicrobium denitrificans 1NES1 | CP002083.1/670307 | | | | |
| Parvibaculum lavamentivorans DS-1 | CP000774.1/402881 | | | | |
| Caulobacter crescentus CB15 | AE005673.1/190650 | | | | |
| Maricaulis maris MCS10 | CP000449.1/394221 | | | | |
| Phaeobacter inhibens DSM 17395 | CP002976.1/391619 | | | | |
| Ruegeria pomeroyi DSS-3 | NC_003911.12/246200 | | | | |

TABLE S4. α-proteobacterial species used for phylogenetic analysis

The 26 α -proteobacterial species in the phylogeny in Fig. 4 and their corresponding GenBank accession number and taxid for analysis of the conservation and distribution of core *upp* gene clusters across the order *Rhizobiales*.