

Supplementary information

Sequential displacement of Type VI Secretion System effector genes leads to evolution of diverse immunity gene arrays in *Vibrio cholerae*

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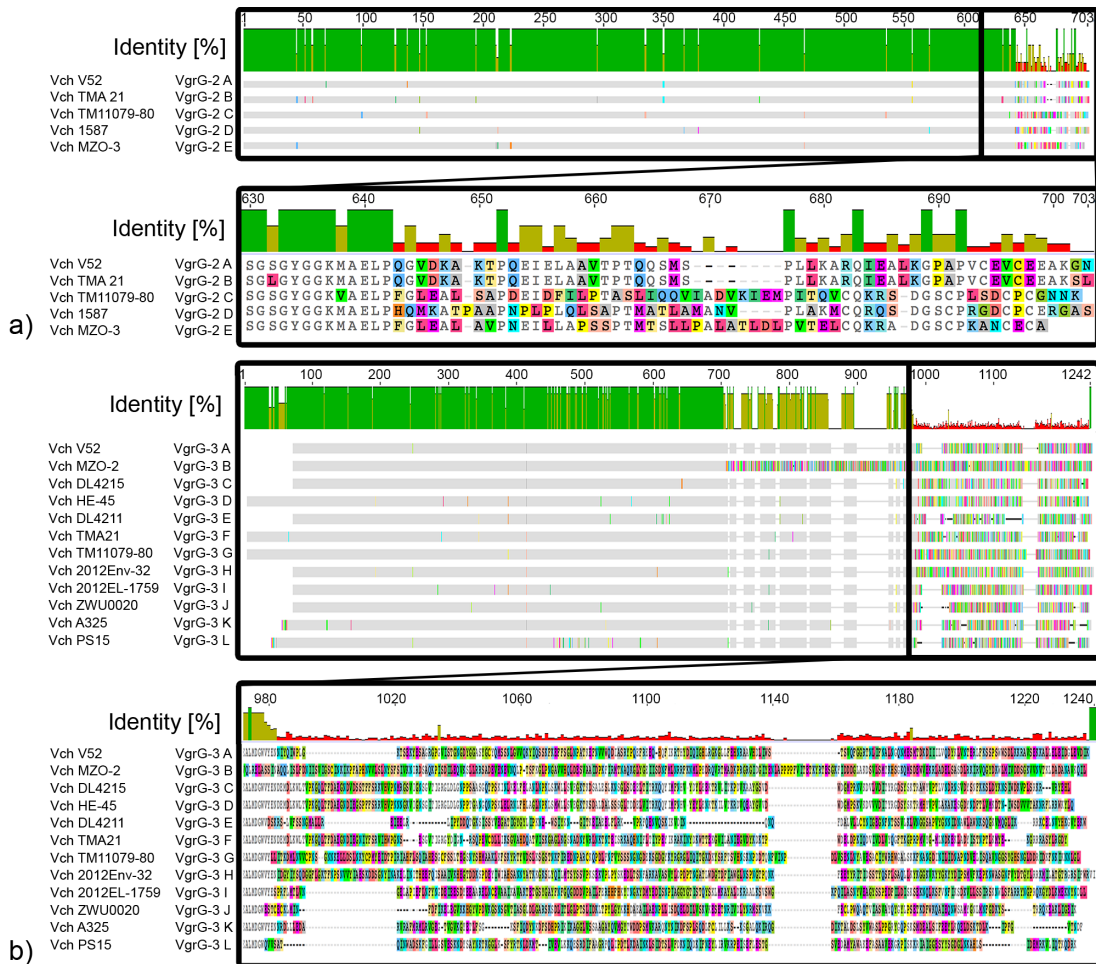


Figure S1: Amino acid alignment of VgrG-2 and VgrG-3. a) Alignment of VgrG-2 proteins found in aux-2 cluster encoding different types of cargo effectors b) Alignment of VgrG-3 proteins in large cluster encoding different variable C-terminal regions. Conserved sites are depicted as grey, while colour indicates amino acid change compared to the consensus. Variable C-terminal regions of VgrG-2 and VgrG-3 are enlarged. Vch = *Vibrio cholerae*.

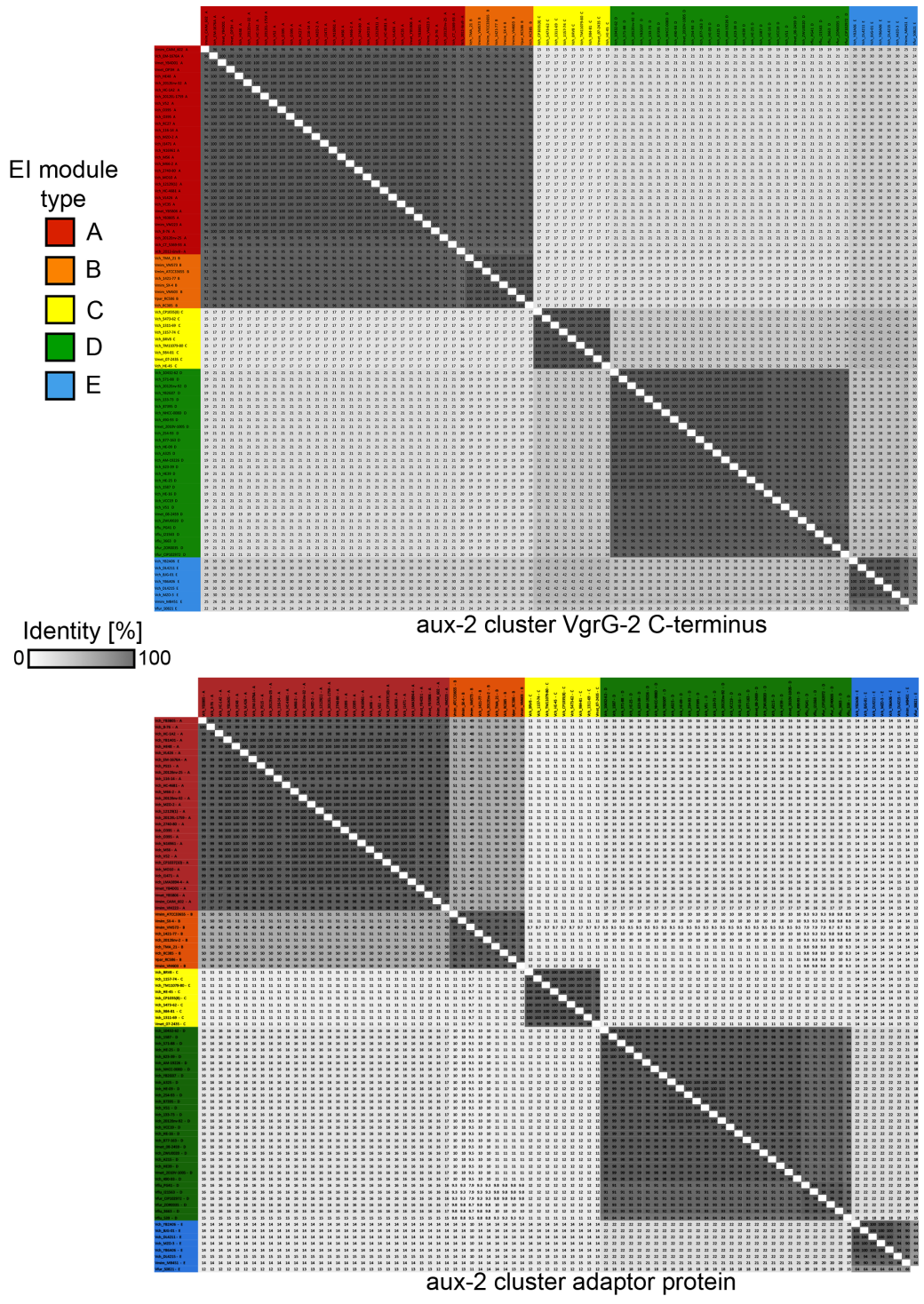


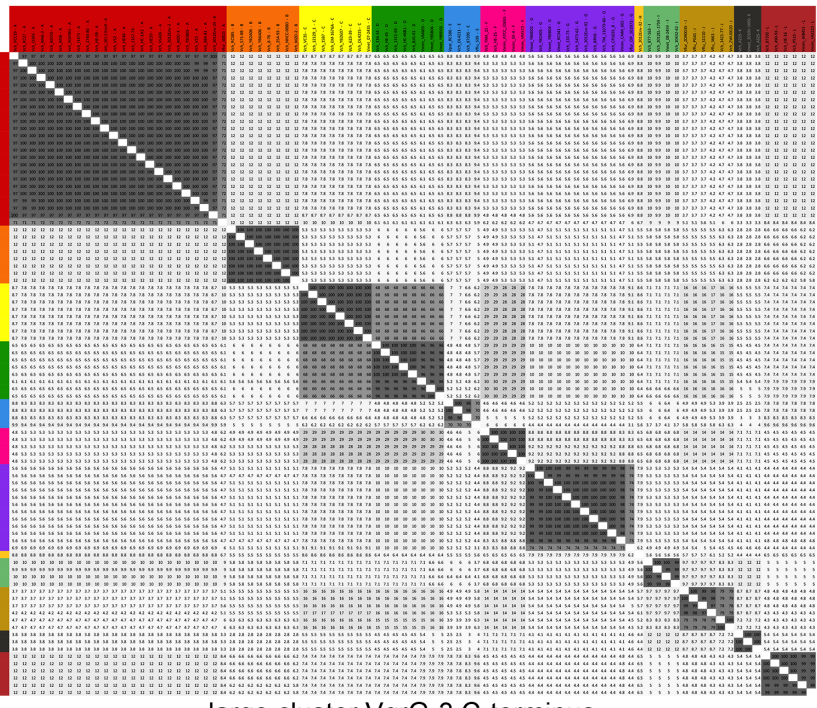
Figure S2: Amino acid identity of variable region of VgrG-2 and aux-2 adaptor proteins. Heat maps indicate percent identity of aligned protein sequences found in investigated strains. Colouring of strain names indicates type of EI module present

in the aux-2 cluster of the respective strain. Pseudogenes with interrupted reading frames were not included in the comparison. Vch = *Vibrio cholerae*, Vmet = *V. metoecus*, Vmim = *V. mimicus*, Vfur = *V. furnissii*, Vflu = *V. fluvialis*, Vpar = *V. sp.* RC586.

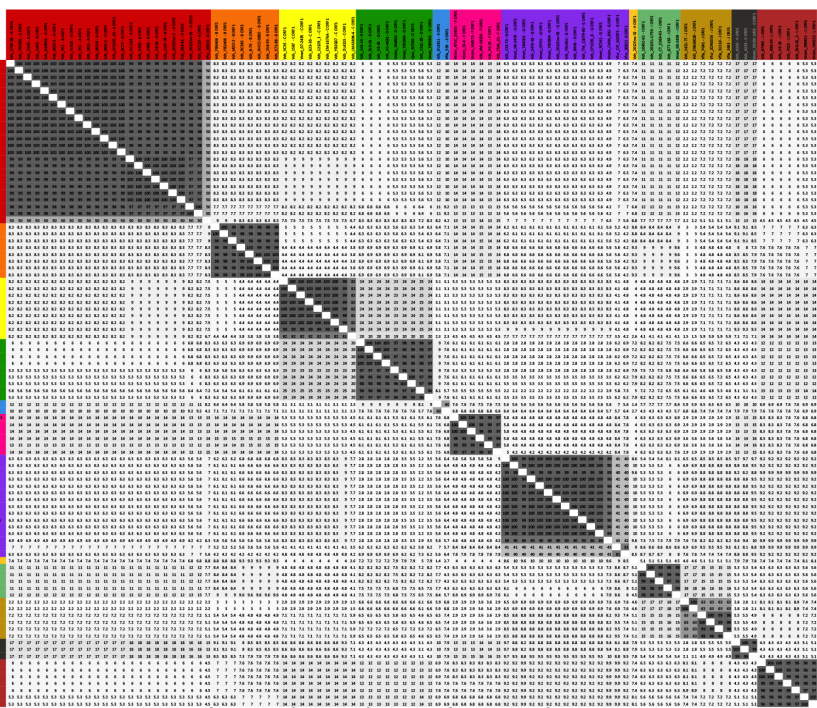
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large cluster VgrG-3 C-terminus

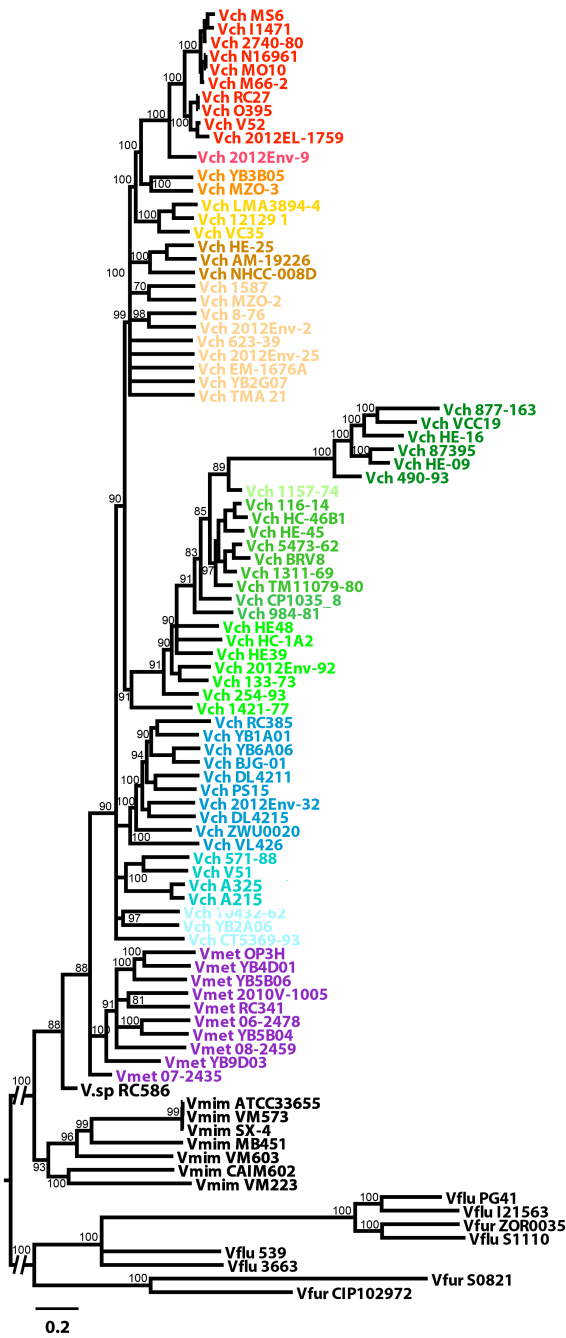


large cluster immunity protein

Figure S3: Amino acid identity of variable region of VgrG-3 and cognate immunity gene. Heat maps indicate percent identity of proteins found in investigated strains. Colouring of strain names indicates type of El module present

in the large cluster of the respective strain. Pseudogenes with interrupted reading frames were not included in the comparison. Vch = *Vibrio cholerae*, Vmet = *V. metoecus*, Vmim = *V. mimicus*, Vfur = *V. furnissii*, Vflu = *V. fluvialis*, Vpar = *V. sp.* RC586.

Whole genome phylogeny



aux-1 C-type effector

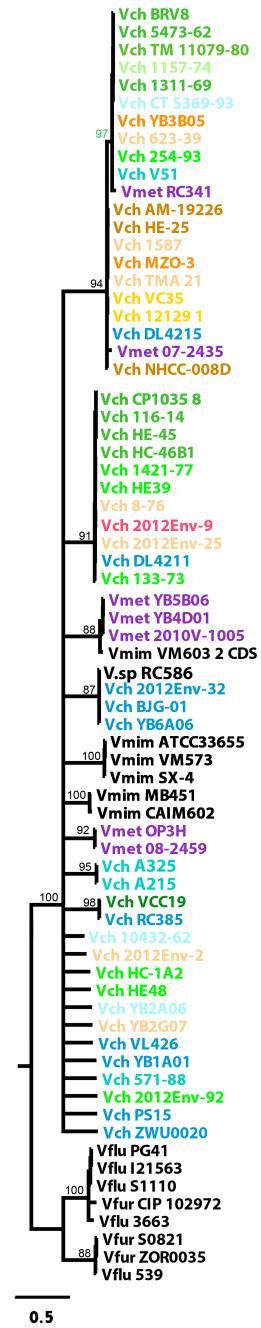


Figure S4: Incongruence between whole genome phylogeny and single gene phylogeny of aux-1 C-type effector. Whole genome tree corresponds to Figure 2. Related strains are colored similarly to ease comparison between tree topologies

but do not necessarily correspond to monophyletic groups. Aux-1 C-type effector phylogeny was calculated using the GTR+Gamma Maximum Likelihood model implemented in RAxML based a 2,315bp alignment. Black dots indicate orphan immunity genes (i.e. genes not directly downstream of an effector). Statistical branch support was obtained from 100 bootstrap repeats. Branches with support <70 were collapsed, as such every branch has a bootstrap support of >70. Scale bar indicates substitutions/site. Double dashes through branches indicates cut by length of 4.0 substitutions/site. Vch = *Vibrio cholerae*, Vmet = *V. metoecus*, Vmim = *V. mimicus*, Vfur = *V. furnissii*, Vflu = *V. fluvialis*.

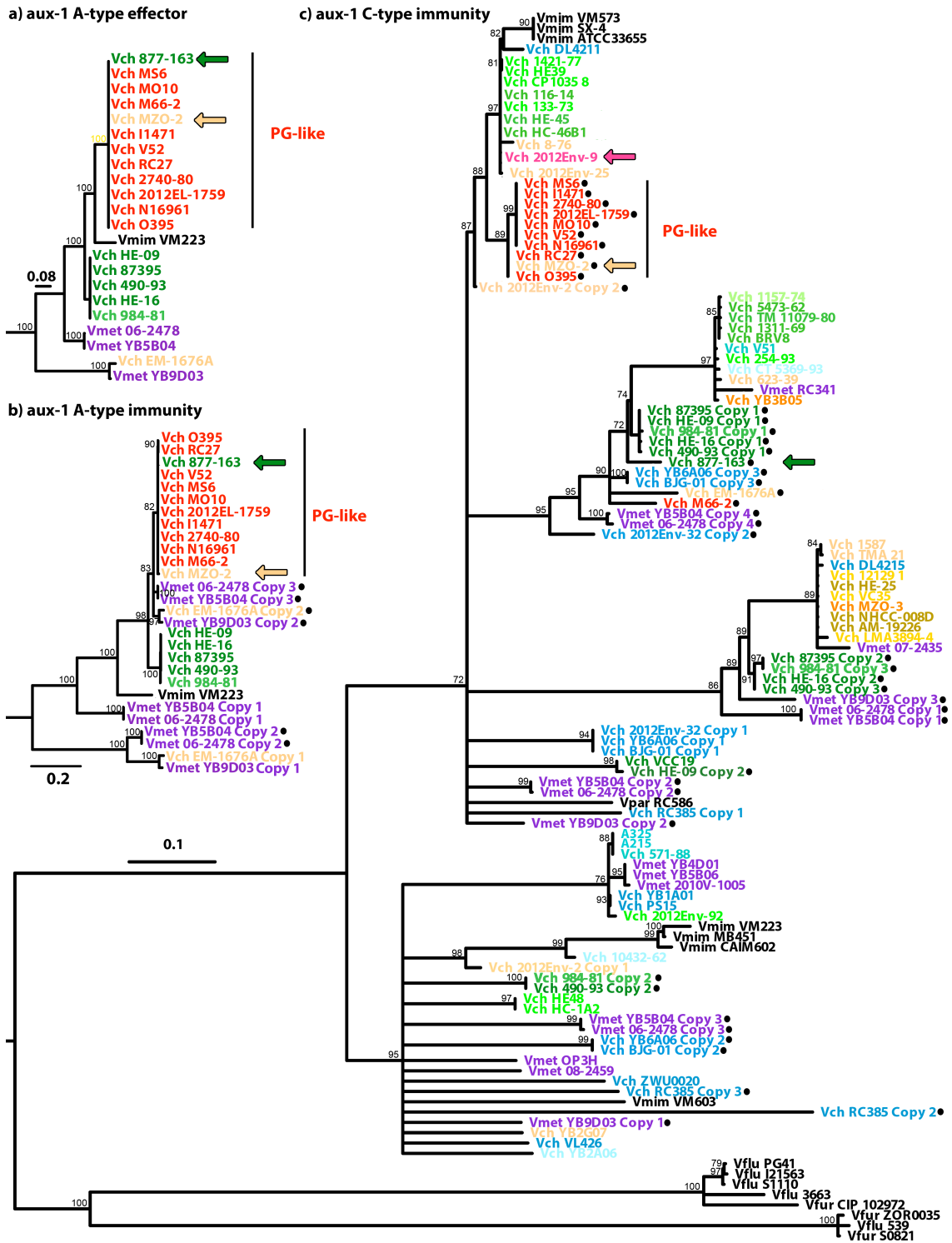


Figure S5: Single gene phylogenies of aux-1 a) A-type effector, b) A-type immunity and c) C-type immunity genes. Colouring of strains corresponds to whole genome tree of figure S4. Arrows indicate strains of interest discussed in text.

Phylogenetic trees were calculated using the GTR+Gamma Maximum Likelihood model implemented in RAxML based on single gene alignments (aux-1 A-type effector: 2,040bp; aux-1 A-type immunity: 754bp, aux-1 C-type immunity: 740bp. Black dots indicate orphan immunity genes (i.e. genes not directly downstream of an effector). Statistical branch support was obtained from 100 bootstrap repeats. Branches with support <70 were collapsed, as such every branch has a bootstrap support of >70. Scale bar indicates substitutions/site. Vch = *Vibrio cholerae*, Vmet = *V. metoecus*, Vmim = *V. mimicus*, Vfur = *V. furnissii*, Vflu = *V. fluvialis*.

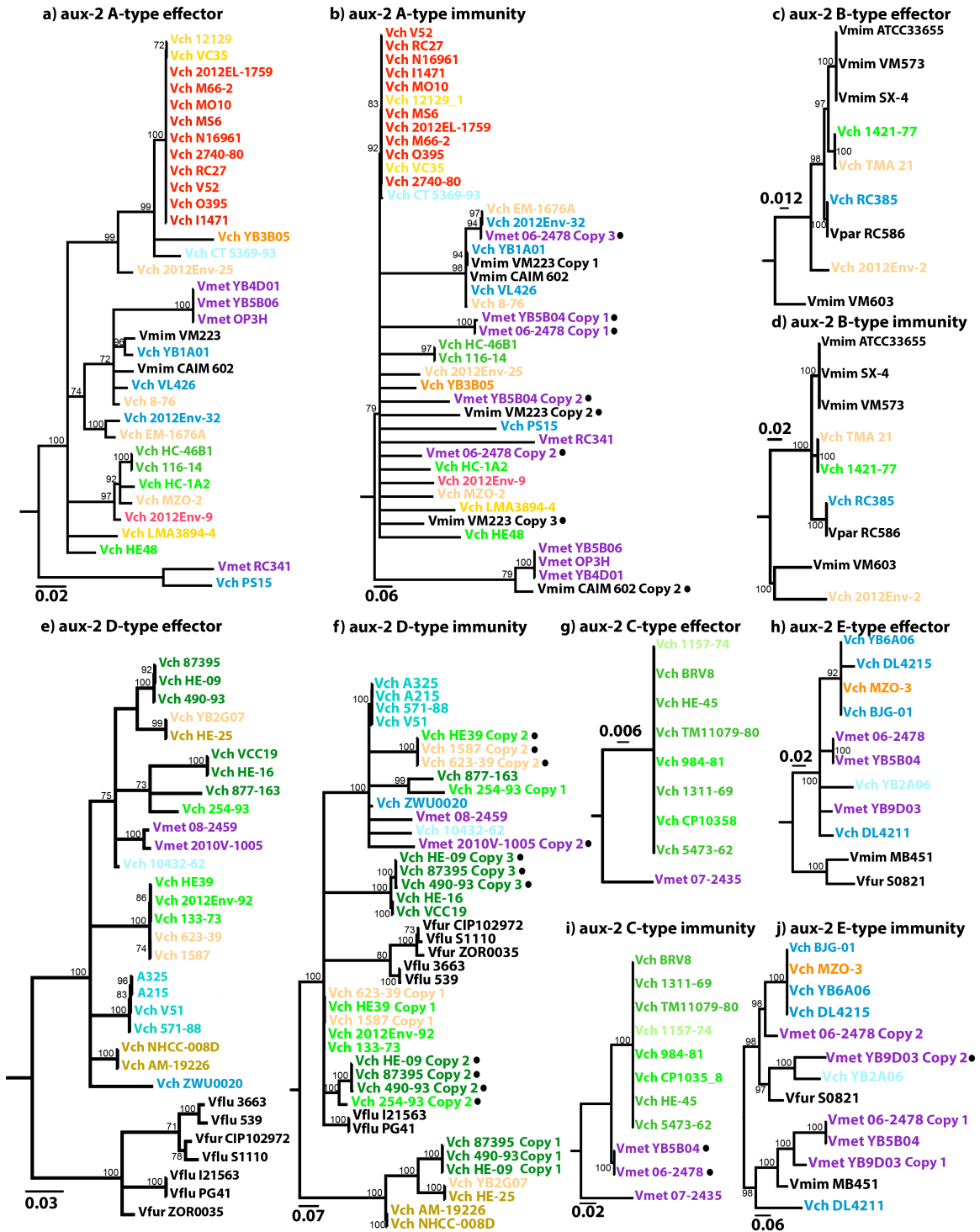


Figure S6: Single gene phylogenies of aux-2 effector and immunity genes. a) A-type effector b) A-type immunity c) B-type effector d) B-type immunity e) D-type effector f) D-type immunity g) C-type effector h) E-type effector i) C-type immunity j) E-type immunity

j) E-type immunity. Colouring of strains corresponds to whole genome tree of figure S4. Phylogenetic trees were calculated using the GTR+Gamma Maximum Likelihood model implemented in RAxML based on single gene alignments (aux-2 A-type effector: 3,268 bp; aux-2 B-type effector: 3,261 bp; aux-2 C-type effector: 3,531 bp; aux-2 D-type effector: 3,726 bp; aux-2 E-type effector: 3,594 bp; aux-2 A-type immunity: 741 bp; aux-2 B-type immunity: 1,119 bp; aux-2 C-type immunity: 951bp; aux-2 D-type immunity: 1,162 bp; aux-2 E-type immunity: 1,018 bp. Black dots indicate orphan immunity genes (i.e. genes not directly downstream of an effector). Statistical branch support was obtained from 100 bootstrap repeats. Branches with support <70 were collapsed, as such every branch has a bootstrap support of >70. Scale bar indicates substitutions/site. Vch = *Vibrio cholerae*, Vmet = *V. metoecus*, Vmim = *V. mimicus*, Vfur = *V. furnissii*, Vflu = *V. fluvialis*.

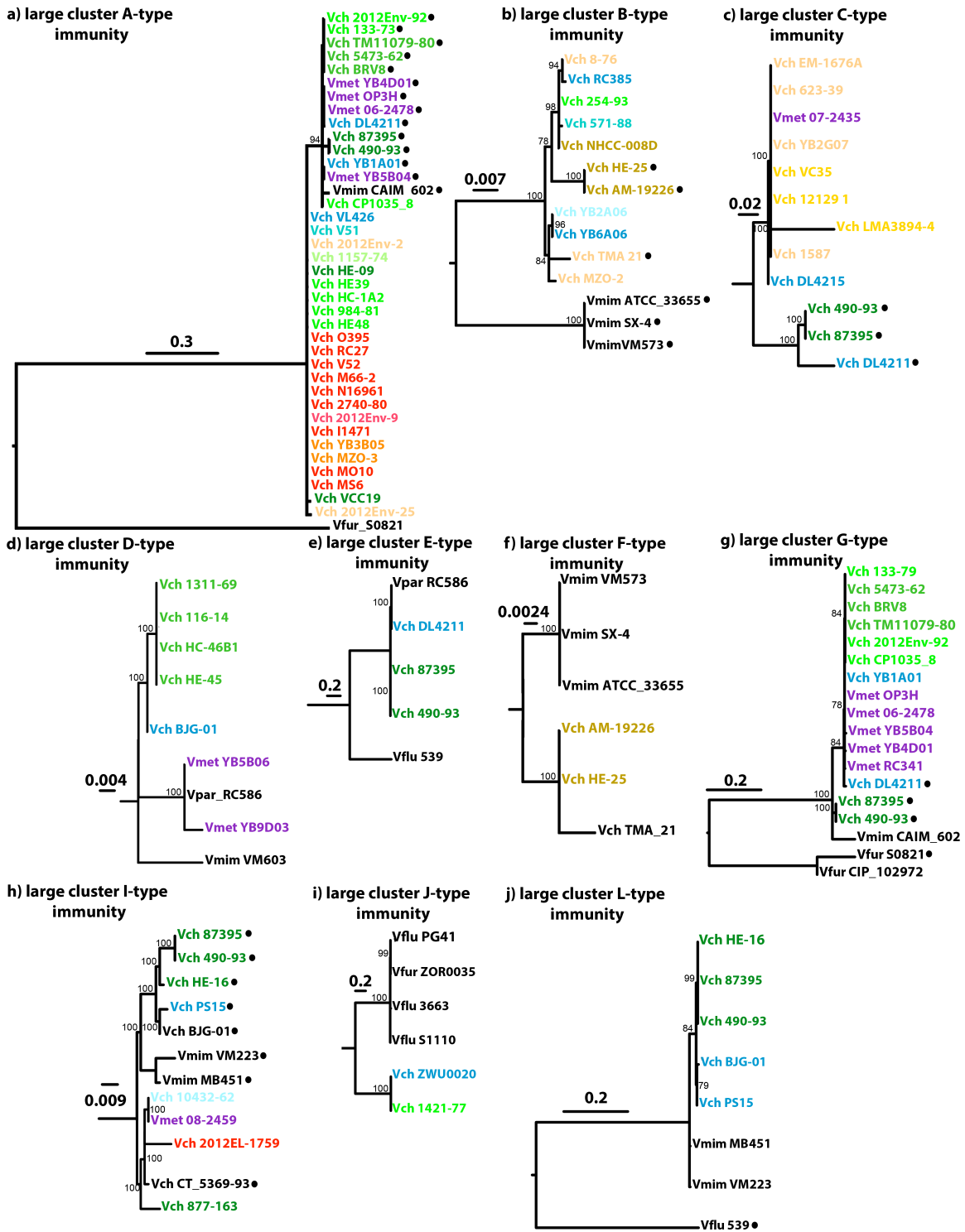


Figure S7: Single gene phylogenies of large cluster immunity genes. Colouring of strains corresponds to whole genome tree of figure S4. Phylogenetic trees were calculated using the GTR+Gamma Maximum Likelihood model implemented in

RAxML based on single gene alignments (main A-type immunity: 402 bp; main B-type immunity: 966 bp; main C-type immunity: 384bp; main D-type immunity: 399 bp; main E-type immunity: 346 bp; main F-type immunity: 409 bp; main G-type immunity: 585; main I-type immunity: 445 bp; main J-type immunity: 384 bp; main L-type immunity: 402 bp. Black dots indicate orphan immunity genes (i.e. genes not directly downstream of an effector). Statistical branch support was obtained from 100 bootstrap repeats. Branches with support <70 were collapsed, as such every branch has a bootstrap support of >70. Scale bar indicates substitutions/site. Vch = *Vibrio cholerae*, Vmet = *V. metoecus*, Vmim = *V. mimicus*, Vfur = *V. furnissii*, Vflu = *V. fluvialis*.

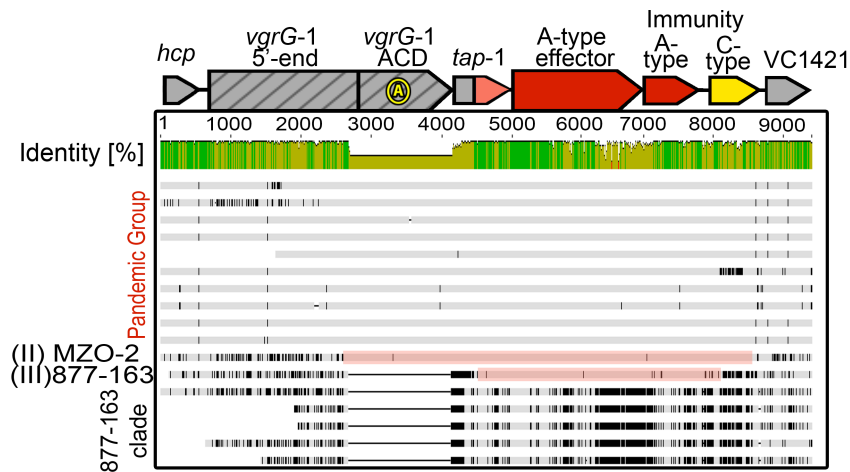


Figure S8: Nucleotide alignment of *aux-1* clusters of the lineage containing pandemic *V. cholerae* and putative recombinant regions. Grey regions indicated conserved sites while black lines indicate divergence from the consensus sequence. Red bars highlight regions in MZO-2 and 877-163 with high identity to the pandemic group *aux-1* cluster, indicating putative horizontal gene transfer.

Supplementary Table 1: Accession numbers of genomes used in this study.

Species	Strain	Accession	Accession 2
<i>V. cholerae</i>	MS6	AP014524.1	AP014525.1
<i>V. cholerae</i>	I-1471	CM003111.1	CM003112.1
<i>V. cholerae</i>	2740-80	AAUT00000000.1	
<i>V. cholerae</i>	N16961	AE003852.1	AE003853.1
<i>V. cholerae</i>	MO10	AAKF00000000.3	
<i>V. cholerae</i>	M66-2	CP001233.1	CP001234.1
<i>V. cholerae</i>	RC27	ADAI00000000.1	
<i>V. cholerae</i>	O395	CP001235.1	CP001236.1
<i>V. cholerae</i>	V52	AAKJ00000000.2	
<i>V. cholerae</i>	2012EL-1759	JNEW00000000.1	
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<i>V. cholerae</i>	CP1037(10)	ALDB00000000.1	
<i>V. cholerae</i>	YB3B05	LBGB00000000.1	
<i>V. cholerae</i>	MZO-3	AAUU00000000.1	
<i>V. cholerae</i>	LMA3984-4	CP002555.1	CP002556.1
<i>V. cholerae</i>	12129(1)	ACFQ00000000.1	
<i>V. cholerae</i>	VC35	AMBR00000000.1	
<i>V. cholerae</i>	HE-25	ALEC00000000.1	
<i>V. cholerae</i>	AM-19226	AATY00000000.1	
<i>V. cholerae</i>	NHCC-008D	APGC00000000.1	
<i>V. cholerae</i>	1587	AAUR00000000.1	
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<i>V. cholerae</i>	254-93	JMBP00000000.1	
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<i>V. cholerae</i>	984-81	JMBM00000000.1	
<i>V. cholerae</i>	CP1035(8)	AJRM00000000.1	
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<i>V. cholerae</i>	1311-69	JIDJ00000000.1
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<i>V. fluvialis</i>	S1110	LKHR00000000.1	
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<i>V. fluvialis</i>	I21563	ASXT00000000.1	
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Supplementary Table 2: Genomic locations of genomic cluster of interest

Strain	cluster	gene	Sequence ID	start	end
YB5B04	aux-1	A-type effector	LBGP01000007.1	187794	189711
	aux-1	A-type immunity gene 1	LBGP01000007.1	187081	187797
	aux-1	A-type immunity gene 2	LBGP01000007.1	186365	187072
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	aux-1	C-type immunity gene 1	LBGP01000007.1	184744	185481
	aux-1	C-type immunity gene 2	LBGP01000007.1	183984	184769
	aux-1	C-type immunity gene 3	LBGP01000007.1	183227	184009
	aux-1	C-type immunity gene 4 threonine efflux pump (VCA1421)	LBGP01000007.1	182467	183252
	aux-1	(VCA1421)	LBGP01000007.1	181741	182379
06-2478	aux-1	A-type effector	LCUD01000037.1	2973	4887
	aux-1	A-type immunity gene 1	LCUD01000037.1	4884	5603
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	aux-1	A-type immunity gene 3	LCUD01000037.1	6431	7063
	aux-1	C-type immunity gene 1	LCUD01000037.1	7204	7941
	aux-1	C-type immunity gene 2	LCUD01000037.1	7916	8701
	aux-1	C-type immunity gene 3	LCUD01000037.1	8676	9458
	aux-1	C-type immunity gene 4 threonine efflux pump (VCA1421)	LCUD01000037.1	9433	10065
	aux-1	(VCA1421)	LCUD01000037.1	10310	10948
LMA3894-4	aux-1	vgrG-1	NC_017270.1	1411393	1412703
	aux-1	vgrG-1/C-type immunity fusion	NC_017270.1	1412631	1414052
YB5B04	aux-2	dehydrogenase	LBGP01000034.1	3102	4103

	aux-2	IS5 family transposase	LBGP01000034.1	1559	2479
	aux-2	aux-2 C-type immunity (partial)	LBGP01000034.1	902	1348
	aux-2	aux-2 A-type immunity 1	LBGP01000034.1	1	721
	aux-2	aux-2 A-type immunity 2	LBGP01000005.1	411	1133
	aux-2	GST (VCA0022)	LBGP01000005.1	1242	1643
06-2478	aux-2	dehydrogenase	LCUD01000013.1	74065	75066
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	aux-2	aux-2 C-type immunity (partial)	LCUD01000013.1	71865	72311
	aux-2	aux-2 A-type immunity 1	LCUD01000013.1	70785	71684
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	aux-2	GST (VCA0022)	LCUD01000013.1	68227	68628
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