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Title of file for HTML: Supplementary Movie 1

Description: T6SS sheath dynamics in wild-type and mutant strains. IgIA-sfGFP was monitored in *F. novicida* U112 igIA-sfGFP wild-type, Δ pdpE, Δ anmK, Δ pdpC, Δ pdpD, Δ pdpD/anmK, Δ pdpC/pdpD, Δ pdpC/pdpD/anmK and Δ clpB for 5 min at a frame rate of 20 frames per minute. 2 representative time-lapse image series for each strain are shown. Merge of phase contrast and GFP channel is shown. Fields of view are 39 x 26 μ m. Videos play at a frame rate of 10 frames per second.

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Description: Knockout of critical components abolishes T6SS dynamics. IgIA-sfGFP was monitored in *F. novicida* U112 igIA-sfGFP Δ pdpB, Δ clpB/pdpB, Δ iglF, Δ iglG, Δ iglI and Δ iglJ for 5 min at a frame rate of 2 frames per minute. 2 representative time-lapse image series for each strain are shown. Merge of phase contrast and GFP channel is shown. Fields of view are 39 x 26 μ m. Videos play at a frame rate of 5 frames per second.

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Description: ClpB spots co-localize with contracted sheaths. IgIA-sfGFP and ClpB-mCherry2 was monitored in *F. novicida* U112 igIA-sfGFP clpB-mCherry2, igIA-sfGFP clpBmCherry2 Δ pdpB and clpB-mCherry2 for 5 min at a frame rate of 2 frames per minute. 2 representative time-lapse image series for each strain are shown. Merge of phase contrast, GFP and mCherry channels is shown. Fields of view are 39 x 26 μ m. Videos play at a frame rate of 5 frames per second.

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Description: Examples of wild-type and Δ clpB T6SS sheath dynamics. IgIA-sfGFP was monitored in *F. novicida* U112 igIA-sfGFP wild-type and Δ clpB for 5 min at a frame rate of 20 frames per minute. 10 representative time-lapse image series for each strain are shown. GFP channel is shown. Fields of view are 3.3 x 3.3 μ m. Videos play at a frame rate of 10 frames per second.

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Title of file for HTML: Supplementary Movie 5

Description: Examples of co-localization of ClpB with contracted sheath. IgIA-sfGFP and ClpB-mCherry2 was monitored in *F. novicida* U112 igIA-sfGFP clpB-mCherry2 for 5 min at a frame rate of 20 frames per minute. 10 representative time-lapse image series are shown. Left fields show GFP channel and right fields show mCherry channel. Fields of view are

3.3 x 3.3 μ m. Videos play at a frame rate of 10 frames per second.

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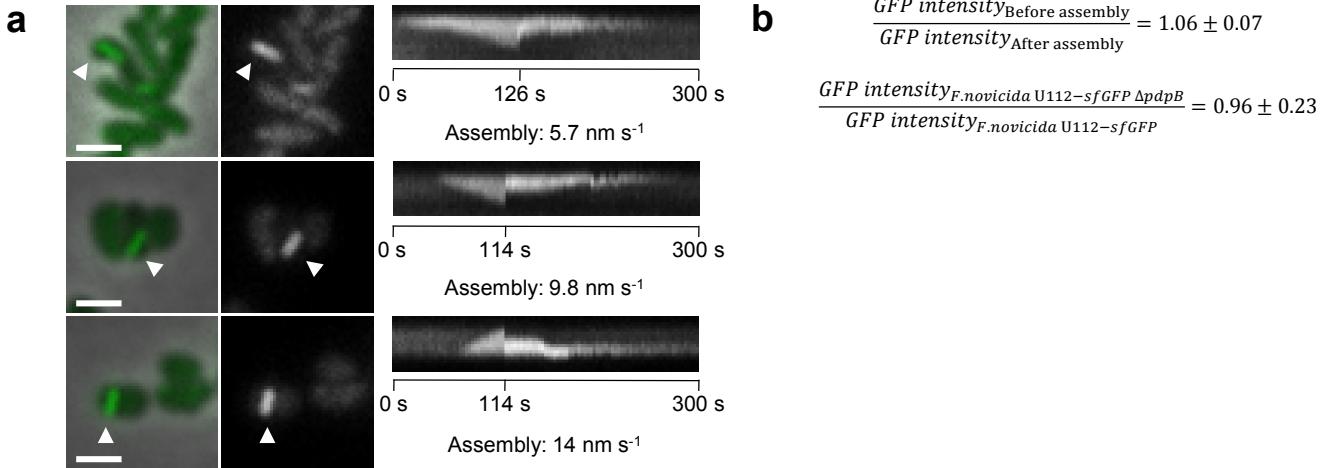
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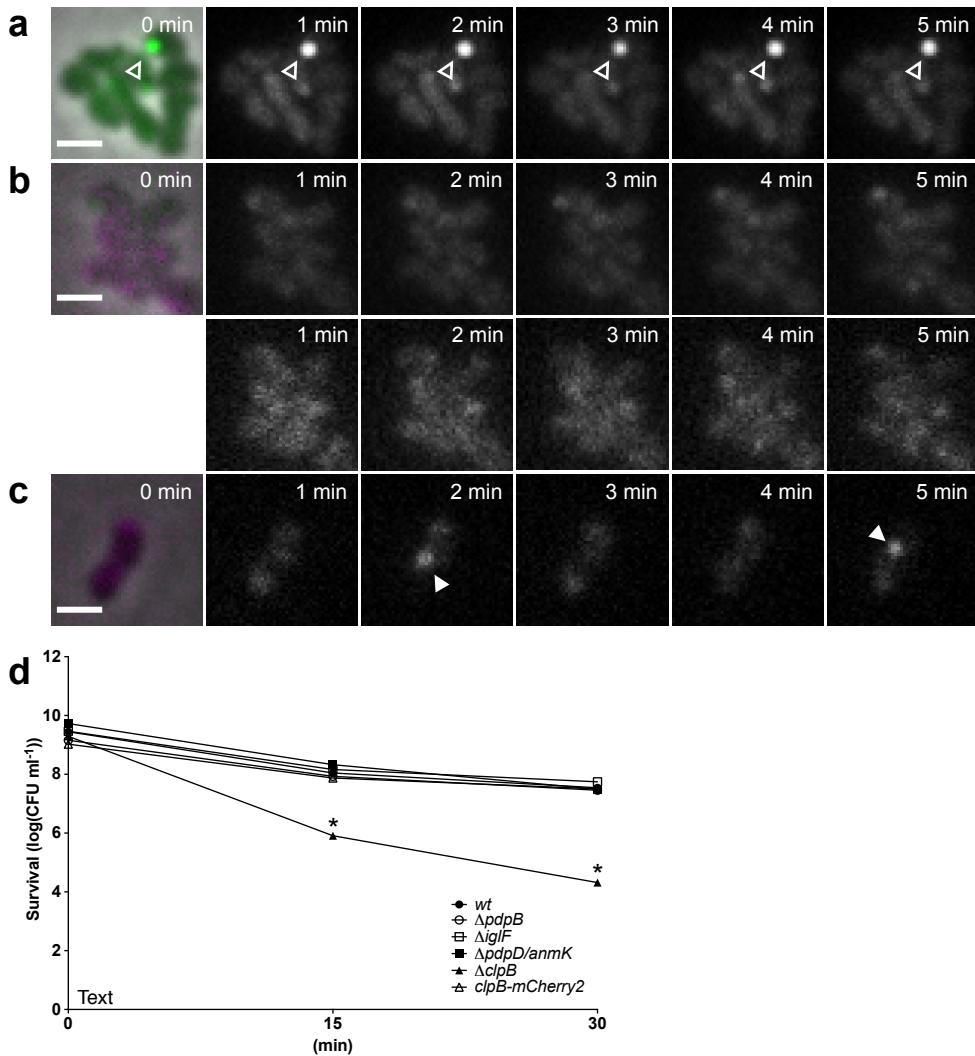
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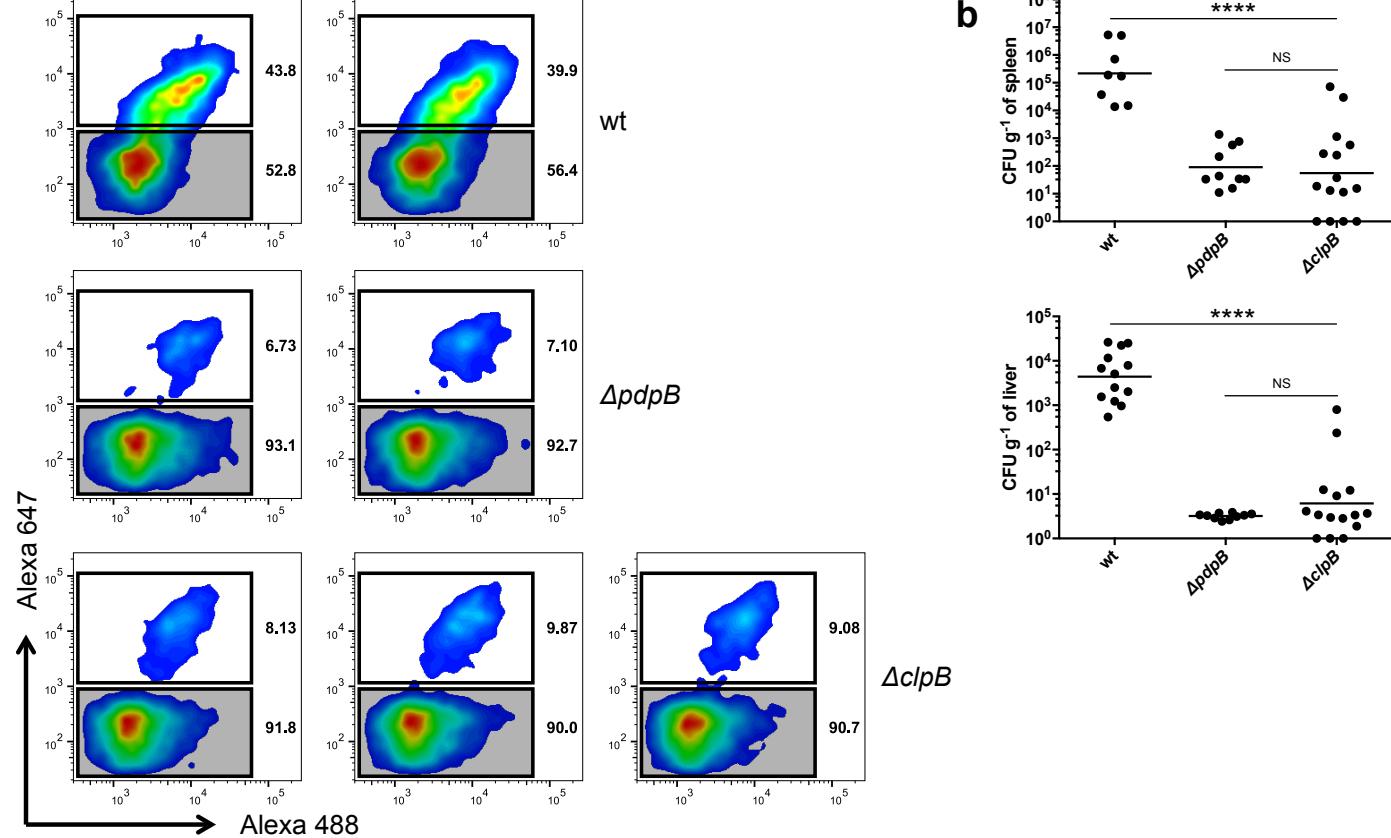
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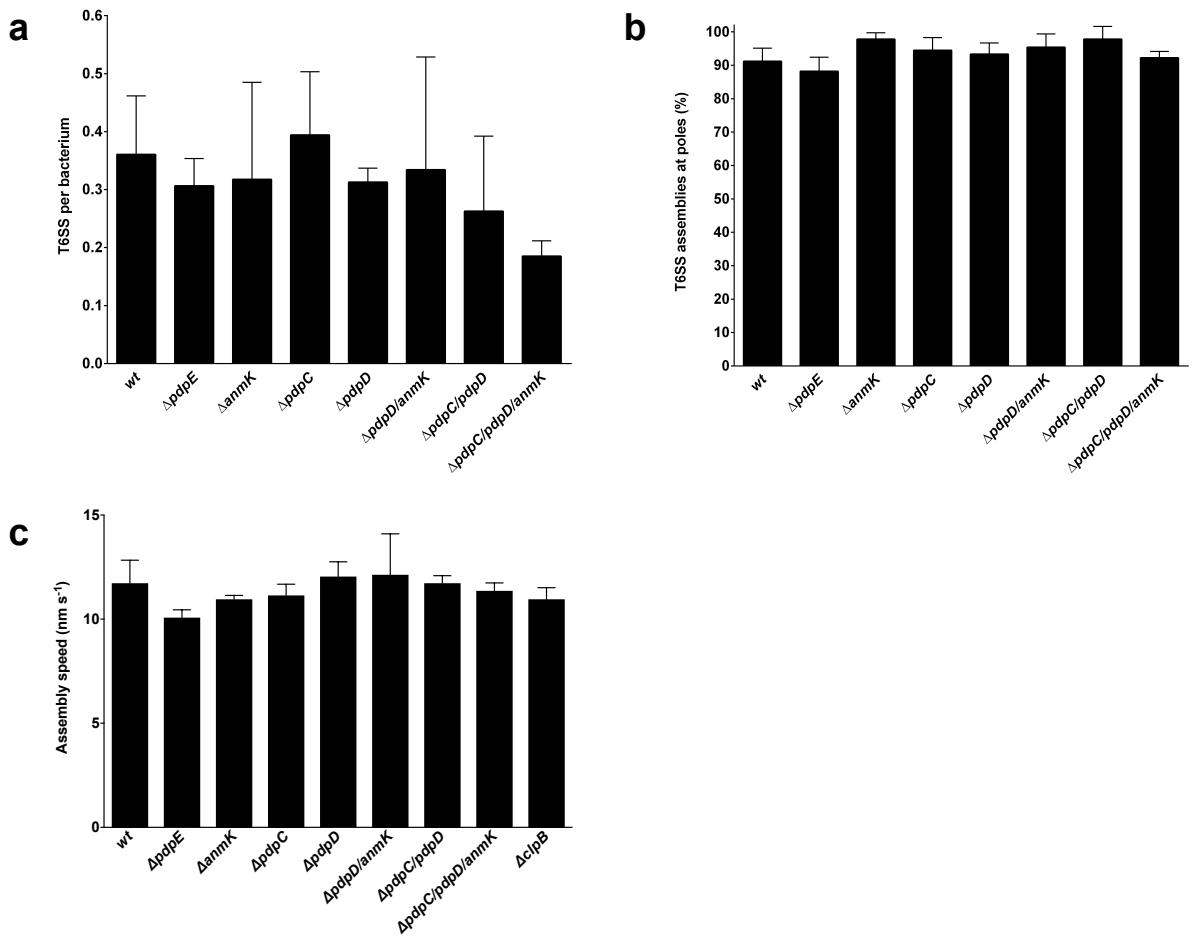
Supplementary Figure 1 : Assembly speed varies between bacteria. (a) Kymograms of slow ($\sim 5 \text{ nm s}^{-1}$) to fast ($\sim 14 \text{ nm s}^{-1}$) T6SS assemblies (arrowheads) over 5 minutes (3 s per pixel) in *F. novicida* U112 *iglA-sfGFP*. First image is a merge of phase contrast and GFP channel, following images represent GFP channel only. $3.3 \times 3.3 \mu\text{m}$ fields of view are shown. Scale bars represent 1 μm . (b) GFP intensities were measured a frame before and a frame after a complete assembly-disassembly cycle in two independent experiments. 30 bacteria were analyzed per experiment. GFP intensities measured in *F. novicida* U112 *iglA-sfGFP* wild-type and ΔpdPB were compared in four independent experiments. 30 bacteria were analyzed per experiment. Standard deviation was calculated.



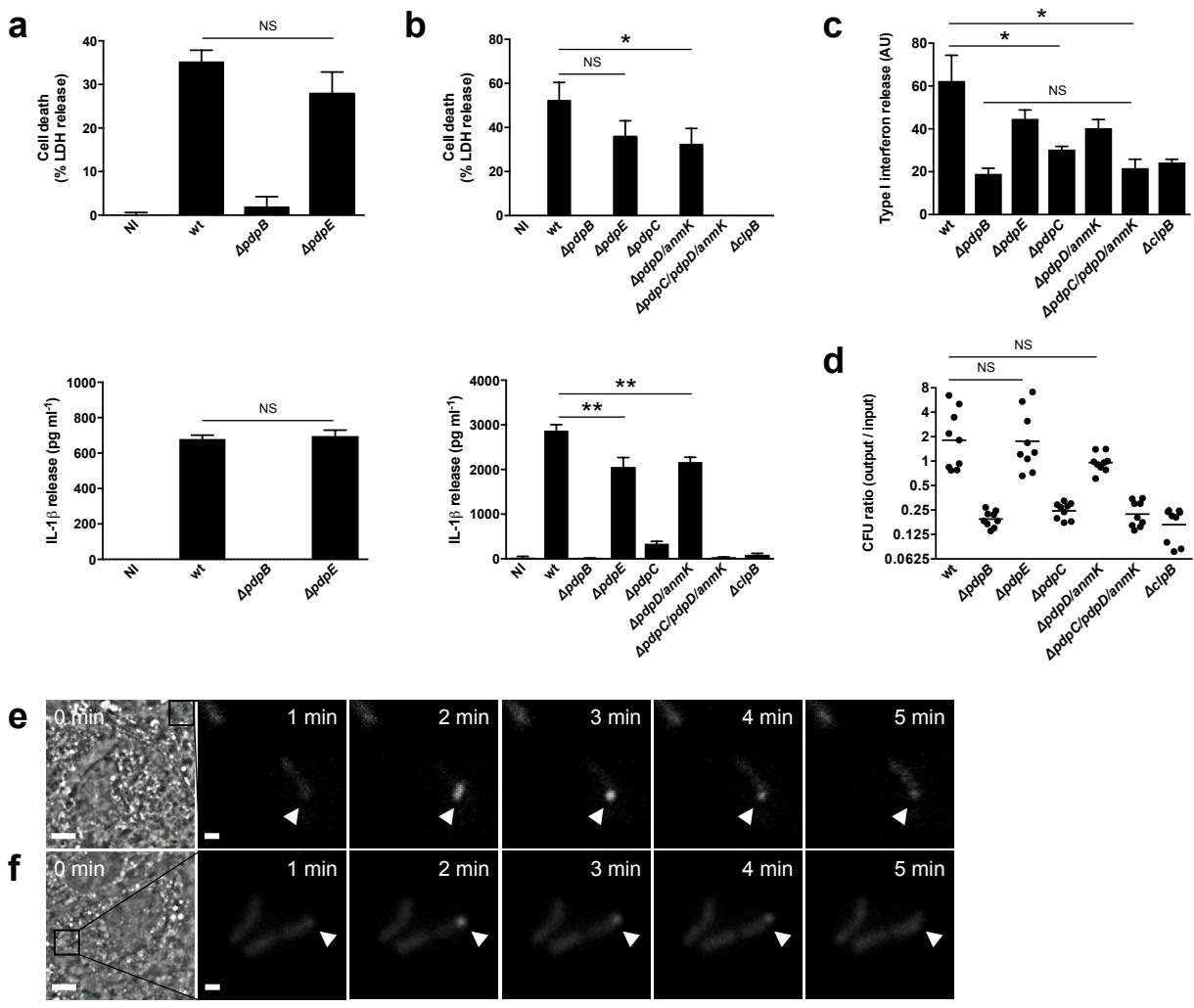
Supplementary Figure 2: T6SS activity is required for ClpB spot localization but dispensable for ClpB-dependent heat tolerance. (a) IgIA-sfGFP localization and foci (empty arrowheads) in *F. novicida* U112 *iglA-sfGFP ΔclpB/pdpB*. First image is a merge of phase contrast and GFP channels, following images represent GFP channel only. 3.3 x 3.3 μm fields of view are shown. Scale bars represent 1 μm . (b) IgIA-sfGFP and ClpB-mCherry2 localization in *F. novicida* U112 *iglA-sfGFP clpB-mCherry2 ΔpdpB*. First image is a merge of phase contrast, GFP and mCherry channels, following images represent GFP channel (upper panel) and mCherry channel (lower panel). (c) ClpB-mCherry2 localization dynamics in *F. novicida* U112 *clpB-mCherry2*. First image is a merge of phase contrast and mCherry channels, following images represent mCherry channel only. Arrowheads indicate ClpB recruitment. (d) Heat shock survival assay performed with *F. novicida* U112 *iglA-sfGFP* wild-type, $\Delta pdpB$, $\Delta iglF$, $\Delta pdpD/anmK$, $\Delta clpB$ and *clpB-mCherry2* at 50 °C for 0, 15 and 30 min. Data are pooled from three independent experiments. * $P < 0.05$ (two-tailed unpaired t-test with Welch's correction). (a-c) 3.3 x 3.3 μm fields of view are shown. Scale bar represents 1 μm .



Supplementary Figure 3: *F. novicida* U112 *iglA-sfGFP* $\Delta clpB$ fails to escape into the cytosol and is avirulent *in vivo*. (a) Representative FACS blots from the quantification of cytosolic (white gates) and vacuolar bacteria (grey gates) by flow cytometry in unprimed wild-type BMDMs 4 h after infection with *F. novicida* U112 *iglA-sfGFP* wild-type, $\Delta pdpB$ or $\Delta clpB$. Numbers next to the gates indicate the percentage of cytosolic and vacuolar bacteria. (b) Bacterial burden (as colony-forming units (CFU) per gram tissue) in the spleen and liver of C57BL/6JRj mice infected subcutaneously for 2 days with 1×10^4 *F. novicida* U112 *iglA-sfGFP* wild-type, $\Delta pdpB$ or $\Delta clpB$. Each symbol represents an individual mouse ($n = 8$ (wild-type), 10 ($\Delta pdpB$), 15 ($\Delta clpB$) (spleen), or $n = 13$ (wild-type), 10 ($\Delta pdpB$), 15 ($\Delta clpB$) (liver)); small horizontal lines indicate the mean. Data are pooled from two independent experiments. *** $P < 0.0001$; NS - not significant (Mann-Whitney test).



Supplementary Figure 4: *pdpE*, *anmK*, *pdpC* and *pdpD* play no role in T6SS sheath localization and dynamics. (a) Quantification of number of T6SS sheath structures per bacterium within 5 min of imaging. (b) Quantification of T6SS sheath assembly at poles. (c) Quantification of T6SS assembly speed. Averages of three independent experiments. 30 bacteria per experiment were analyzed. Error bars represent standard deviation. No significant differences to wild-type (two-tailed unpaired *t*-test with Welch's correction).



Supplementary Figure 5: Putative effector mutants show distinct innate immune activation and survival within macrophages. Release of LDH and IL-1 β from (a) LPS-primed wild-type BMDMs 10 h or (b) unprimed wild-type BMDMs 24 h after infection with *F. novicida* U112 *iglA-sfGFP* wild-type, Δ pdpB, Δ pdpE, Δ pdpC, Δ pdpD, Δ pdpD/anmK, Δ pdpC/pdpD/anmK or Δ clpB (NI - noninfected control). (c) Quantification of type-I-interferon release in the supernatant of unprimed wild-type BMDMs infected for 10 h with *F. novicida* U112 *iglA-sfGFP* wild-type, Δ pdpB, Δ pdpE, Δ pdpC, Δ pdpD, Δ pdpD/anmK, Δ pdpC/pdpD/anmK or Δ clpB. (d) Intracellular growth within $Asc^{-/-}$ BMDMs during the first 24 h of infection with *F. novicida* U112 *iglA-sfGFP* wild-type, Δ pdpB, Δ pdpE, Δ pdpC, Δ pdpD/anmK, Δ pdpC/pdpD/anmK or Δ clpB. Growth was calculated as ratio of number of bacteria at 24 h (output) divided by the number of bacteria at 2 h (input). (e, f) Timelapse images from BMDMs infected for 1 h with *F. novicida* U112 *iglA-sfGFP* Δ pdpE (e) and Δ pdpC/pdpD/anmK (f). 30 x 30 μ m fields of view are shown. First image consists of merged phase contrast channel and GFP channel. Scale bar represents 5 μ m. The close ups show 5 x 5 μ m. Scale bar represents 1 μ m. Close ups consist of GFP channel. (a-d) Data are representatives of three independent experiments (a-c) (mean and standard deviation of triplicate wells are shown) or pooled from three independent experiments (small horizontal lines indicate the mean) (d). *P < 0.05 and **P < 0.01; NS - not significant (two-tailed unpaired t-test with Welch's correction).

Supplementary Table 1: Strains used in this study, related to Material and Methods

Organism	Genotype	Relevant features	Source
<i>Francisella novicida</i> U112	<i>iglA-sfGFP</i>	Parental strain, C-terminal chromosomal fusion of <i>sfGFP</i> to <i>iglA</i>	(Clemens et al., 2015)
	<i>iglA-sfGFP ΔpdpB</i>	Deletion of <i>pdpB</i>	This study
	<i>iglA-sfGFP ΔclpB</i>	Deletion of <i>clpB</i>	This study
	<i>iglA-sfGFP ΔclpB/pdpB</i>	Deletion of <i>clpB</i> and <i>pdpB</i>	This study
	<i>iglA-sfGFP clpB-mCherry2</i>	C-terminal chromosomal fusion of <i>mCherry2</i> to <i>clpB</i>	This study
	<i>iglA-sfGFP clpB-mCherry2 ΔpdpB</i>	C-terminal chromosomal fusion of <i>mCherry2</i> to <i>clpB</i> , deletion of <i>pdpB</i>	This study
	<i>clpB-mCherry2</i>	C-terminal chromosomal fusion of <i>mCherry2</i> to <i>clpB</i>	This study
	<i>iglA-sfGFP ΔiglF</i>	Deletion of <i>iglF</i>	This study
	<i>iglA-sfGFP ΔiglG</i>	Deletion of <i>iglG</i>	This study
	<i>iglA-sfGFP ΔiglI</i>	Deletion of <i>iglI</i>	This study
	<i>iglA-sfGFP ΔiglJ</i>	Deletion of <i>iglJ</i>	This study

<i>iglA-sfGFP ΔpdpE</i>	Deletion of <i>pdpE</i>	This study
<i>iglA-sfGFP ΔanmK</i>	Deletion of <i>anmK</i>	This study
<i>iglA-sfGFP ΔpdpC</i>	Deletion of <i>pdpC</i>	This study
<i>iglA-sfGFP ΔpdpD</i>	Deletion of <i>pdpD</i>	This study
<i>iglA-sfGFP ΔpdpD/anmK</i>	Deletion of <i>pdpD</i> and <i>anmK</i>	This study
<i>iglA-sfGFP ΔpdpC/pdpD</i>	Deletion of <i>pdpC</i> and <i>pdpD</i>	This study
<i>iglA-sfGFP ΔpdpC/pdpD/anmK</i>	Deletion of <i>pdpC</i> , <i>pdpD</i> and <i>anmK</i>	This study

Supplementary Table 2: Plasmids used to generate in-frame deletions in this study, related to Material and Methods

Plasmid Name	Peptide scar left on the chromosome after allelic exchange	Primers used to generate in-frame deletion
pDMK3- $\Delta pdpB$	MNFIQKQGEVNVQ*	dFTN_1310_Del1_Xho1.FOR TCAGTACTCGAGCAACTATATGAAAACCTACATAATT
		dFTN_1310_Del1.REV CTCCTTGTGGGAATAAAATTCTACTTTAATT
		dFTN_1310_Del2_.FOR ATGAATTTATTCAAAAACAAGGAGAAGTTAATGT
		dFTN_1310_Del2.REV ATAATAGCGGCCGCTTAGCAGAGCTTTTATATT
		dFTN_1310_Det_FOR ACATCAAGAAATACTCTGCCCTC
		dFTN_1310_Det_REV TATTATTATCCAACCATTGTTGCTG
pDMK3- $\Delta clpB$	MNINKFTIKLANNNITFSK*	dFTN_1743_1_Spe1.FOR TCAGTAACTAGATAAATGCGACTATTGATG
		dFTN_1743_1.REV TAATATTGTTATTAGCTAGTTTATTGTAAATTATTCATTATT

dFTN_1743_2.FOR	ATTTACAATAAAACTAGCTAATAACAATTACATTCTCTAAA
dFTN_1743_2_Sac1.REV	TCAGTAGAGCTCTTTGTCATTGCAAAAGA
dFTN_1743_Det.FOR	CAAGAATTCCATCAACCCAGA
FTN_1743-mCherry_Det_REV	CCATCAAACCTAACAAAAGCTCCT

FTN_1743-mcherry1_Spe1.FOR	TCAGTAACTAGGGTGTGGTAAACTGA
FTN_1743-mcherry1.REV	CGGCCGCTTAGAGAATGTAATTGTTATTAGCG
FTN_1743-mcherry2.FOR	CTCTAAAGCGGCCGCAGGA
FTN_1743-mcherry2.REV	ATTAAACCGATTTACTTGTACAGCTCGTC
FTN_1743-mcherry3.FOR	CTGTACAAGTAAATCGGTTAACATATCTAAATTAT
FTN_1743-mcherry3_Sac1.REV	TCAGTAGAGCTCGCTTATAAGTTAGATTAAAGAGTTG
FTN_1743-mcherry_Det_FOR	GATGGAAGGCGAAAAAGACA
FTN_1743-mcherry_Det_REV	CCATCAAACCTAACAAAAGCTCCT

pDMK3-*cplB-mCherry2*

		dFTN_1313_1_Spe1.FOR	TCAGTAACTAGTTTCTCAAAGAATATGATGATAATG
pDMK3- <i>ΔigF</i>	MNNIDIKWFESKQEAYWKI*	dFTN_1313_1.REV	TTGCTTGCTTCAAACCATTATCAATATCATTATT
		dFTN_1313_2.FOR	TGGTTGAAAGCAAGCAAGAACG
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		dFTN1313_Det.REV	GTGGCAAAGCTAGGATCTTCT
pDMK3- <i>ΔigG</i>	MLNIINDSLKGQINVKTS*	dFTN_1314_1_Xho1.FOR	TCAGTACTCGAGATAAAAATCAACTCTACAAAAACC
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		dFTN_1314_Det.FOR	TTTCGCTAACGTCACTACAAGC
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		dFTN_1317_1.REV	TTCTACCGAATCATTATTAGTGTAGATATTATCTGACT
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		dFTN_1317_Det.FOR	ATCGCAGCACACAATCTTAAA
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