



Supplementary Figure S2: Distinguishing between the infectivity of WT and KO parasites during different stages of infection. **(A)** The panels show possible combinations of the infection rate β_0 and reticulocyte factor RF for WT (*blue*) and KO (*green*) parasites explaining the parasitemia level observed. While infectivity characteristics for both parasite strains overlap during early days post infection, later time points allow differing between the two strains. **(B)** Zoom into a particular region of **(A)** to improve visual clarity.