

Table S2: *S. aureus* infecting and colonizing isolates from SSTI patients

		# (%)
Micro-plate growth of infecting isolate		(n = 54 patients)
	Heavy growth	21 (38.9)
	Moderate growth	20 (37.0)
	Information not available	13 (24.1)
Patients with <i>S. aureus</i> infection^a		(n = 54 patients)
	MRSA	32 (59.3)
	MSSA	22 (40.7)
	single <i>spa</i> type	48 (88.9)
	multiple <i>spa</i> types	6 (11.1)
		(n = 53 patients)
	<i>pvl</i> -positive	46 (86.8)
	<i>spa</i> type 1/t008	22 (41.5)
	USA300	13 (24.5)
Patients colonized with <i>S. aureus</i>		(n = 54 patients)
	colonized (nares)	13 (24.1)
	colonized (groin)	12 (22.2)
	colonized (total)	25 (46.3)
		(n = 25 patients)
	single <i>spa</i> type	22 (40.7)
	multiple <i>spa</i> types	3 (12.0)
	MRSA	11 (44.0)
	MSSA	14 (56.0)
Infection site <i>S. aureus</i> isolates		(n = 63 isolates)
	MRSA	39 (61.9)
	MSSA	24 (38.1)
	<i>pvl</i> -positive	56 (88.9)
	<i>spa</i> type 1/t008	23 (36.5)
	USA300	15 (23.8)
Colonizing <i>S. aureus</i> isolates		(n = 29 isolates)
	MRSA	12 (41.4)
	MSSA	17 (58.6)
	<i>pvl</i> -positive	18 (62.1)
	<i>spa</i> type 1/t008	9 (31.0)
	USA300	6 (20.7)
Colonizing / infecting isolate match		(n = 25 patients)
	same <i>spa</i> type	16 (64.0)
	different <i>spa</i> type	9 (36.0)
Footnotes:		
a. For one patient, the infecting <i>S. aureus</i> isolate was lost.		