

1 **Supplemental material**

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3 **Table S1** RNA-Seq data showing the downregulation of the A1S_2091- A1S_2088 operon when
4 bacterial cells were cultured in SB at 24°C in the presence of light

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Gene Identifier ^a	Fold Change	P value	Predicted function
A1S_2088	-2.75	0.0008	Hypothetical
A1S_2089	-4.41	0.0001	Fimbrial usher protein
A1S_2090	-3.08	0.0014	P pilus assembly protein
A1S_2091	-5.67	0.0001	Hypothetical

6 ^aThe A1S_2091-A1S_2088 operon is described as the *prpABCD* operon in this report.

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8 **Table S2** Primers used in this study

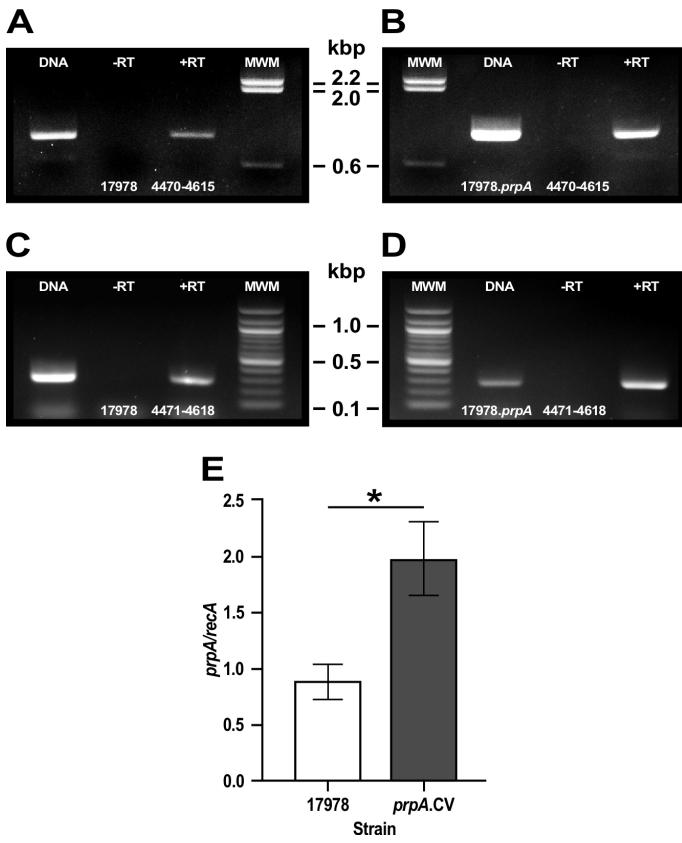
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Primer number	Nucleotide Sequence ^a
4100	5'-GCAAACCTAAGAGTGTGTTG-3'
4101	5'-CCTTAGTAACGTGTAACTTTC-3'
4151	5'-CGAACGCATTGTCTTAGACC-3'
4152	5'-GGCTACTAAATCCTCAGAAGG-3'
4153	5'-ATTGGAGTTGCAACAACTGC-3'
4154	5'-CCACCAATCATACGACGTTG-3'
4413	5'-ATGGTAG <u>G</u> ATCCGTATGATGCCAAAAATAGAG-3'
4419	5'-GTCCACC <u>C</u> ATCAAATGACAAAGTCC-3'
4420	5'-CTGTGTCCTGAATACCTCAGC-3'
4465	5'-TGATGT <u>GG</u> ATCCTTAATAAGTTACTGTGACTGTCAC-3'
4470	5'-CACATT <u>CG</u> TATTGTCCTGTA <u>CTG</u> -3'
4471	5'- ACTTGATCGATCTTCTTGATC-3'
4488	5'-GCC <u>CAGAA</u> ACTACCACTGG-3'
4489	5'-GCTTCTTAA <u>ACGG</u> AGGAGCC-3'
4615	5'-GGTAATGTCCAGACAGTTAACG-3'
4618	5'-TGCATCACTATTAA <u>AT</u> TTGCTGC-3'

11 ^aUnderlined nucleotides identify *Bam*HI restriction sites.

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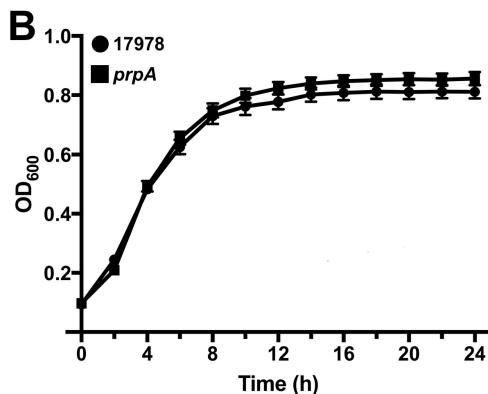
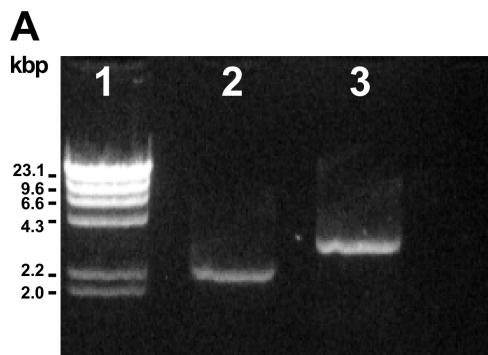


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16 Figure S1. Transcriptional analyses of the *prpABCD* operon. RT-PCR with the intergenic primer
 17 pairs shown in Fig. 1A using as templates DNA, RNA and cDNA samples obtained from cells of
 18 the 17978 parental strain (A and C) or the 17978.*prpA* mutant (B and D) cultured in SB at 24°C in
 19 darkness. Numbers in the panels represent primer pairs used to amplify the sequences located
 20 between coding regions as displayed in Fig. 1A. λ HindIII-digested DNA and a 100-bp ladder were
 21 used as molecular weight markers in panels A/B and C/D, respectively. (E) qRT-PCR analysis of
 22 RNA isolated from 17978 and 17978.*prpA.CV* (*prpA.CV*) cells cultured in SB at 24°C in darkness
 23 until they reached on OD₆₀₀ of 0.8. *recA* was used as a constitutively expressed control gene.
 24 Horizontal bars identify statistically different values ($P \leq 0.05$, *) and error bars represent the
 25 standard error of each data set.

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28 Figure S2. Analysis of the 17978.*prpA* insertion derivative. (A) Agarose gel electrophoresis of the
 29 amplicons generated using primers 4151 and 4152 (Fig. 1A and Table S1) and total DNA isolated
 30 from 17978 (lane 2) or 17978.*prpA* cells (lane 3). Lane 1, λ HindIII-digested DNA. (B) Growth
 31 curves of 17978 and 17978.*prpA* cells cultured in LB broth at 37°C in a shaking plate reader set at
 32 200 rpm. Error bars represent the standard error of each data set.

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