

**Table S1:** Oligonucleotide primers used in the study.

Primer name	Sequence (5' to 3')	Application
Up Fw 940-ΔNH2	CTGTAGCAGGTGCCAGTCAA	Construction of the 940-ΔNH2 mutant
Up Rv 940-ΔNH2	CCCAGCTGGCAATTCCGGTGAAAATCTTGCTCAAACGATTC	
Dw Fw 940-ΔNH2	CTTGACGAGTTCTTCTGAATTGACATTACGGCAGAGCAA	
Dw Rv 940-ΔNH2	TATTCAGGCTACCCGCTTTG	
Nest Fw 940-ΔNH2	TTTAAGCGGCAATTTGACCTAC	
Nest Rv 940-ΔNH2	GCTTTGAGTTGCAAGGTTCC	
C Fw 940-ΔNH2	GAATCGTTTGAGCAAGATTTTCA	
C-wt Rv 940-ΔNH2	TGACCATCTGCCTGACTTTG	
C-del Rv 940-ΔNH2	TTGCTCTGCCGTAATGTCAA	
Up Fw Δ941	GTGCTGAGAATTTAGCAAAAAGC	Construction of the Δ941 mutant
Up Rv Δ941	CCCAGCTGGCAATTCCGGTCATGCTGCTGCTCATTGAATTTG	
Dw Fw Δ941	CTTGACGAGTTCTTCTGAATGGGTGGATAAAGGTAGATTAGGA	
Dw Rv Δ941	CAGGCCCTTTAAAATCAACAA	
Nest Fw Δ941	CGTGGAATGGAATCACAAGA	
Nest Rv Δ941	TGCAATTTTGGCACCTGATA	
C Fw Δ941	GATTTACAGGGCCAGTACGTT	
C-wt Rv Δ941	CATCATTTTGGAAAGCGATGA	
C-del Rv Δ941	AATCATGCGAAACGATCCTC	
Up Fw Δ940	CTGTAGCAGGTGCCAGTCAA	Construction of the Δ940 mutant
Up Rv Δ940	CCCAGCTGGCAATTCCGGTGAAAATCTTGCTCAAACGATTC	
Dw Fw Δ940	CTTGACGAGTTCTTCTGAATGGGTGGATAAAGGTAGATTAGGA	
Dw Rv Δ940	CAGGCCCTTTAAAATCAACAA	
Nest Fw Δ940	TTTAAGCGGCAATTTGACCTAC	
Nest Rv Δ940	TGCAATTTTGGCACCTGATA	
C Fw Δ940	GAATCGTTTGAGCAAGATTTTCA	
C-wt Rv Δ940	TTGCTCTGCCGTAATGTCAA	
C-del Rv Δ940	CAGGTCGGTCTTGACAAAAAG	
Up Fw 2784-ΔNH2	TATCGGTGCCTTAGGACTCA	Construction of the 2784-ΔNH2 mutant
Up Rv 2784-ΔNH2	CCCAGCTGGCAATTCCGGAGTGGCTTAATAGCTGTAGTTCAAG	
Dw Fw 2784-ΔNH2	CTTGACGAGTTCTTCTGAAGCTCGAAGCAGGAGGTACAC	
Dw Rv 2784-ΔNH2	TGAGACAATGCTCCAAGTGC	
Nest Fw 2784-ΔNH2	AAGTCCAGCGCAGAATCACT	
Nest Rv 2784-ΔNH2	AGCATAATCCCCATCACAA	
C Fw 2784-ΔNH2	CATGGGCAGTGTATTTGGTG	
C-wt Rv 2784-ΔNH2	CAGGAATGGATTGGCTCCTA	
C-del Rv 2784-ΔNH2	GCCTCGTCTTGACAGTTCATT	
Up Fw Δ2783	GCTTTAATGGTCCGACTCCA	Construction of the Δ2783 mutant
Up Rv Δ2783	CCCAGCTGGCAATTCCGGTCAGGCCGAGTATTTACGTCAT	
Dw Fw Δ2783	CTTGACGAGTTCTTCTGAATTTGACGGGTATTCTGAGGTC	
Dw Rv Δ2783	AGCCTGAAGTGCTGACACCT	
Nest Fw Δ2783	TGTTGTCCGGTGCATTAGGAG	
Nest Rv Δ2783	CATTGGCTTCCCTGAGTTGT	
C Fw Δ2783	TGCTGGGGTAGGAGAAATTG	
C-wt Rv Δ2783	GGCTTTTTAGTTGCCGCATA	
C-del Rv Δ2783	TGCTGTGTGCCCCAGTCAT	
Up Fw Δ2784	TATCGGTGCCTTAGGACTCA	Construction of the Δ2784 mutant
Up Rv Δ2784	CCCAGCTGGCAATTCCGGAGTGGCTTAATAGCTGTAGTTCAAG	
Dw Fw Δ2784	CTTGACGAGTTCTTCTGAATTAGAAAATCATAGGATTATTGTG	
Dw Rv Δ2784	TTTGGAACACTAAATACTCCCC	
Nest Fw Δ2784	AAGTCCAGCGCAGAATCACT	
Nest Rv Δ2784	TTTGGAACACTAAATACTCCCC	
C Fw Δ2784	CATGGGCAGTGTATTTGGTG	
C-wt Rv Δ2784	CAGGAATGGATTGGCTCCTA	
C-del Rv Δ2784	TATTTGTACGAATGGGTGTGCT	

Up Fw $\Delta 2866$	GGTGTGGTTTGTGGGTAGG	Construction of the $\Delta 2866$ mutant
Up Rv $\Delta 2866$	CCCAGCTGGCAATTCCGGATGCACCCAATCCCTAACATT	
Dw Fw $\Delta 2866$	CTTGACGAGTTCTTCTGAAAGATGGCAGTGCTGGTCATA	
Dw Rv $\Delta 2866$	CCGCAAATCTGGCAATAACT	
Nest Fw $\Delta 2866$	GAAGATGCGTATGGCAATGA	
Nest Rv $\Delta 2866$	CTCCACACAAGATGATGCAC	
C Fw $\Delta 2866$	AATGTTAGGGATTGGGTGCAT	
C-wt Rv $\Delta 2866$	TTGCTTGCATAGAGCAATGG	
C-del Rv $\Delta 2866$	TGTCTGTTGTGCCAGTCAT	
KmFw	CCGGAATTGCCAGCTGGG	Kanamycin amplification
KmRv	TTCAGAAGAAGACTCGTCAAG	
RT Fw 940	GGTGCCATCCTCAATAATGC	RT-PCR for <i>cdiA940</i> detection
RT Rv 940	TGGCTTACCTTTGGCTAAC	
RT Fw 2784	TAGGAGCCAATCCATTCCTG	RT-PCR for <i>cdiA2784</i> detection
RT Rv 2784	CCTGCAACTTCCAGATTCC	
RT Fw 2866	ATTGGAGCAGGATCGCATAG	RT-PCR for <i>bap</i> detection
RT Rv 2866	AGTACGCTTTGGATCGATGG	
16S Fw	ATGGTCGGTACAAAGGGTTG	RT-PCR for 16S rRNA detection
16S Rv	TTCATGGAGTCGAGTTGCAG	