

Fig. S6. Determination of EspB proteolysis sites.

(A) Schematic of pET21a-EspB-His. (B) Western blot analysis of exogenous rEspB-His using an anti-His antibody that will only detect cleaved EspB if the C-terminal His tag remains intact. (C) Schematic of site directed mutations made to the EspP and Bt protease cleavage sites. (D) Western blots of whole cell lysates collected from $\Delta espB$ EHEC complemented with either WT espB, $espB\Delta Bt$ site or $espB\Delta EspP$ site in pACYC184. EspB appeared to be expressed to similar levels in all 3 strains, RpoA was used as a control for cell numbers. (E) Western blots of supernatants of EHEC $\Delta espB$ complemented with WT EspB or EspB ΔBt site cloned into vector pACYC184 in the absence and presence of Bt using anti-EspB antisera. There is a decrease in EspB cleavage in the EspB ΔBt site strain in the presence of Bt. However cleavage is not completely abrogated, this is probably due to the fact that the 36kDa Bt cleavage site is intact. We could only map the 34kDa site because we could not completely separate the 37 and 36kDa forms of EspB for cleavage analyses.