

FIG S1. Disruption of *de novo* pyrimidine biosynthesis results in loss of mucoidy. (A) Alginate production for PAO1, PAO581, PAO581*carA*, PAO581*carB*, and PAO581*pyrD* when grown on PIA plates with cytosine at 37°C for 24 h. Alginate was collected and measured using the carbazole assay. Values shown are mean alginate \pm standard deviation of triplicate reads. (B) The β -galactosidase activity of P_{algU} measured using pLP170-P_{algU}-lacZ reporter constructs in PAO1, PAO581, PAO581*carA*, PAO581*carA*, PAO581*carB*, and PAO581*pyrD* grown on PIA plates containing carbenicillin and uracil at 37°C for 24 h. Relative expression mean values shown \pm standard deviation of triplicate reads. Levels from three western blots normalized by RNA polymerase levels. Values shown are of mean ratio \pm standard deviation performed in triplicates. Two-way ANOVA used with statistical significance at p<0.01 (****=p<0.0001).



FIG S2. Mucoid phenotype on SCFM2 media indicates that PIA medium has the same effect on maintenance of mucoid phenotype in laboratory and clinical isolates of P. *aeruginosa*. (A) PAO581*carA*, PAO581*carB*, and PAO581*pyrD* grown on SCFM2 media (*left*) and SCFM2 media with uracil (*right*) at 37°C for 24 h. (B) PAO581(*top*) and CF10 -mucoid CF isolate (*bottom*) grown on SCFM2 media and (C) PIA at 37°C for 24 h.

PAO579 + pHERD20T

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PAO579 + pHERD20T-*rpoN*

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CF10 + pHERD20T-rpoN

C.



FIG S3. Overexpression of *rpoN* results in reduction of mucoidy in CF Isolates and PAO579. Image showing (A) PAO579, and stable mucoid CF isolates (B) CF10 and (C) CF7447 carrying pHERD20T (left) and pHERD20T-rpoN (right) grown on PIA plates with carbenicillin and 1% arabinose at 37°C for 36h.

C7447 + pHERD20T-rpoN

	Aztreonam****	Meropenem****	Imipenem****	Ceftazidime	Cefepime**	Levofloxacin	Ciprofloxacin	Tobramycin
PAO581	20.0 ± 0.8	25.0 ± 0.47	22.0 ± 0.82	19.3 ± 0.94	20.3 ± 1.24	17.0 ± 0.82	20.3 ± 0.47	9.3 ± 0.47
PAO581algD	24.0 ± 0	29.7 ± 0.47	30.3 ± 0.47	19.3 ± 0.47	21.7 ± 0.47	14.7 ± 0.47	21.7 ± 0.47	11.3 ± 0.47
PAO581carA	23.3 ± 0.47	27.7 ± 0.47	34.0 ± 0.82	25.3 ± 0.47	25.3 ± 1.24	26.0 ± 0.82	29.7 ± 0.47	17.0 ± 0.82
PAO581 <i>carB</i>	25.3 ± 1.24	32.3 ± 2.05	34.7 ± 0.47	27.0 ± 1.41	29.0 ± 0.82	25.7 ± 2.62	28.3 ± 2.35	14.0 ± 0.82
PAO581 <i>pyrD</i>	32.3 ± 0.95	30.3 ± 0.47	36.0 ± 1.41	34.0 ± 0.82	27.7 ± 2.5	20.0 ± 0.82	25.0 ± 0	18.7 ± 0.94

Table S1: Zone of inhibition (mm) for strains grown on PIA with indicated antibiotic disk. Antibiotic disk diffusion assay performed using BD Sensi-Disc TM according to the standard protocol. Values shown are of the average zone (mm) \pm standard deviation for each strain when grown on PIA at 37°C for 24h with the indicated disk measured in triplicates. Two-way ANOVA with multiple comparisons was used to calculate the statistical significance with p<0.01 (**=p<0.001, ****=p<0.0001).

	Aztreonam****	Meropenem****	Imipenem****	Ceftazidime	Cefepime**	Levofloxacin	Ciprofloxacin	Tobramycin
PAO581	19.3 ± 0.94	25.7 ± 0.47	23.7 ± 0.94	18.7 ± 0.47	20.7 ± 0.47	18.3 ± 0.47	22.3 ± 0.47	10.3 ± 0.47
PAO581algD	19.7 ± 0.47	27.3 ± 0.94	23.7 ± 0.47	19.7 ± 0.47	21.3 ± 0.47	19.3 ± 0.47	20.3 ± 0.47	9.3 ± 0.47
PAO581carA	30.7 ± 0.47	31.7 ± 0.47	26.7 ± 0.47	25.7 ± 0.47	27.0 ± 0.82	25.3 ± 1.24	33.3 ± 0.47	16.7 ± 0.47
PAO581 <i>carB</i>	29.7 ± 0.47	36.3 ± 0.94	34.7 ± 0.47	29.7 ± 0.47	29.7 ± 0.47	26.0 ± 0	27.7 ± 0.94	15.0 ± 0.82
PAO581 <i>pyrD</i>	34.0 ± 0.82	35.0 ± 0.82	35.0 ± 0.82	34.3 ± 0.47	33.0 ± 0.82	17.7 ± 0.47	25.0 ± 0	18.7 ± 1.7

Table S2: Zone of inhibition (mm) for strains grown on PIA with uracil with indicated antibiotic disk. Antibiotic disk diffusion assay performed using BD Sensi-Disc TM according to the standard protocol. Values shown are of the average zone (mm) \pm standard deviation for each strain when grown on PIA with uracil at 37°C for 24h with the indicated disk measured in triplicates. Two-way ANOVA with multiple comparisons was used to calculate the statistical significance with p<0.01 (****=p<0.0001).