Supplementary Information

Supp. Fig. 1



Supp. Fig. 1: PpiA has no influence on sliding motility of *L. pneumophila*. When grown on BCYE medium with 0.5 % (w/v) agar for 21 d at 30 °C no difference in the size of the surfactant film could be observed between the wild type strain (A) and its isogenic *ppiA*-deficient mutant (B). The $\Delta ppiB$ (C) and the $\Delta ppiA \Delta ppiB$ double mutant (D) produced comparably less surfactant, while there was no significant difference between both strains. The $\Delta mip \Delta ppiB$ double mutant (E) produced a significantly smaller surfactant film. (F) The spreading area over the 21 d was not significantly different between the strains. (G) Quantitative evaluation of the surfactant area of wild the *L. pneumophila* and its PPIase mutants. Shown are mean and standard deviations of three independent experiments. Statistical significance was calculated using unpaired Student's *t*-test (***p≤0.001, n.s.=not significant).

Supp. Fig. 2



Supp. Fig. 2: Growth of different the *L. pneumophila* PpiA-negative mutant at suboptimal temperatures. No growth defect could be observed in the PpiA-deficient mutant at (A) 37 °C, (B) 30 °C or (C) 17 °C. (D) The mutant lacking both PpiA and PpiB was affected by heat stress similar to the Mip and PpiB deficient double mutant ($\Delta\Delta$). Representative sections of bacterial plates of three separate experiments are shown and aligned for a better comparison of the strains. Single sections originating from different plates are separated by white dashed lines.



Supp. Fig. 3

Supp. Fig. 3: PpiA has no influence on intracellular replication in *A. castellanii* or human machrophage-like THP-1 cells. (A) When *A. castellanii* was infected with wild type *L. pneumophila* Corby or its isogenic *ppiA* or *ppiB* single or double deletion mutants no significant differences could be observed in the outcome of the infections. (B) In THP-1 cells the $\Delta ppiB$ mutant is attenuated as it reaches significantly lower cfu counts in 48 h. In contrast, the $\Delta ppiA$ mutant reveals no significant difference compared to wild type. Similarly, the intracellular replication of the $\Delta ppiB$ and the $\Delta ppiA \Delta ppiB$ double mutant do not significantly differ. Shown are the mean and standard deviations of three independent experiments performed in duplicates. Statistical significance was calculated using unpaired Student's *t*-test (*p≤0.05, n.s.=not significant).