

Supplementary Material

Insight into the Diversity and Possible Role of Plasmids in the Adaptation of Psychrotolerant and Metalotolerant *Arthrobacter* spp. to Extreme Antarctic Environments

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TABLE S1. Plasmids and PCR primers used in this study.

Plasmid	Characteristics	Reference or source
pBBR1 MCS-2	Km ^r ; 5.1 kb; <i>ori</i> pBBR1; <i>Mob</i> ⁺ ; <i>oriT</i> RK2; <i>lacZα</i> ; MCS	(Kovach et al., 1994)
pBBR-LAM	Km ^r ; 6.9 kb; pBBR1 MCS-2 derivative carrying PCR-amplified LAM module of the pA8H1 plasmid cloned within <i>Sall</i> site	This study
pBBR-TER	Km ^r ; 7.8 kb; pBBR1 MCS-2 derivative carrying PCR-amplified TER module of the pA40H2 plasmid cloned within <i>SacI</i> site	This study
pBBR-UMU	Km ^r ; 9.3 kb; pBBR1 MCS-2 derivative carrying PCR-amplified UMU module of the pA58H3 plasmid cloned within <i>KpnI</i> site	This study
Primer name	Primer sequence*	Coordinates in appropriate plasmid
fLAM8H1 rLAM8H1	5'- <u>ACTGTCGACT</u> CCCCGCAGAAGCCCAAATC -3' 5'- <u>TCCGTCGACCC</u> GGTAATCGTCCTGTCCAAC -3'	pA8H1 9,455 – 11,230
fTER40H2 rTER40H2	5'- <u>TGCGCGAGCTCT</u> CTCGGCATCCACGTTGATCGG -3' 5'- <u>GGCCGAGCTCC</u> GTCTGCTGTTTCAGTGCCTTC -3'	pA40H2 6,103 – 8,787
fUMU58H3 rUMU58H3	5'- <u>TACGGTACCCT</u> CGTTCCGTTACTACTC -3' 5'- <u>CCAGGTACCA</u> AAGATGGCTCTCAGGAAG -3'	pA58H3 92 – 4,201

* Sequences shown in the 5' to 3' orientation. Sequences of the restriction sites were underlined.

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