

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

FtsW is a peptidoglycan polymerase that is functional only in complex with its cognate penicillin-binding protein

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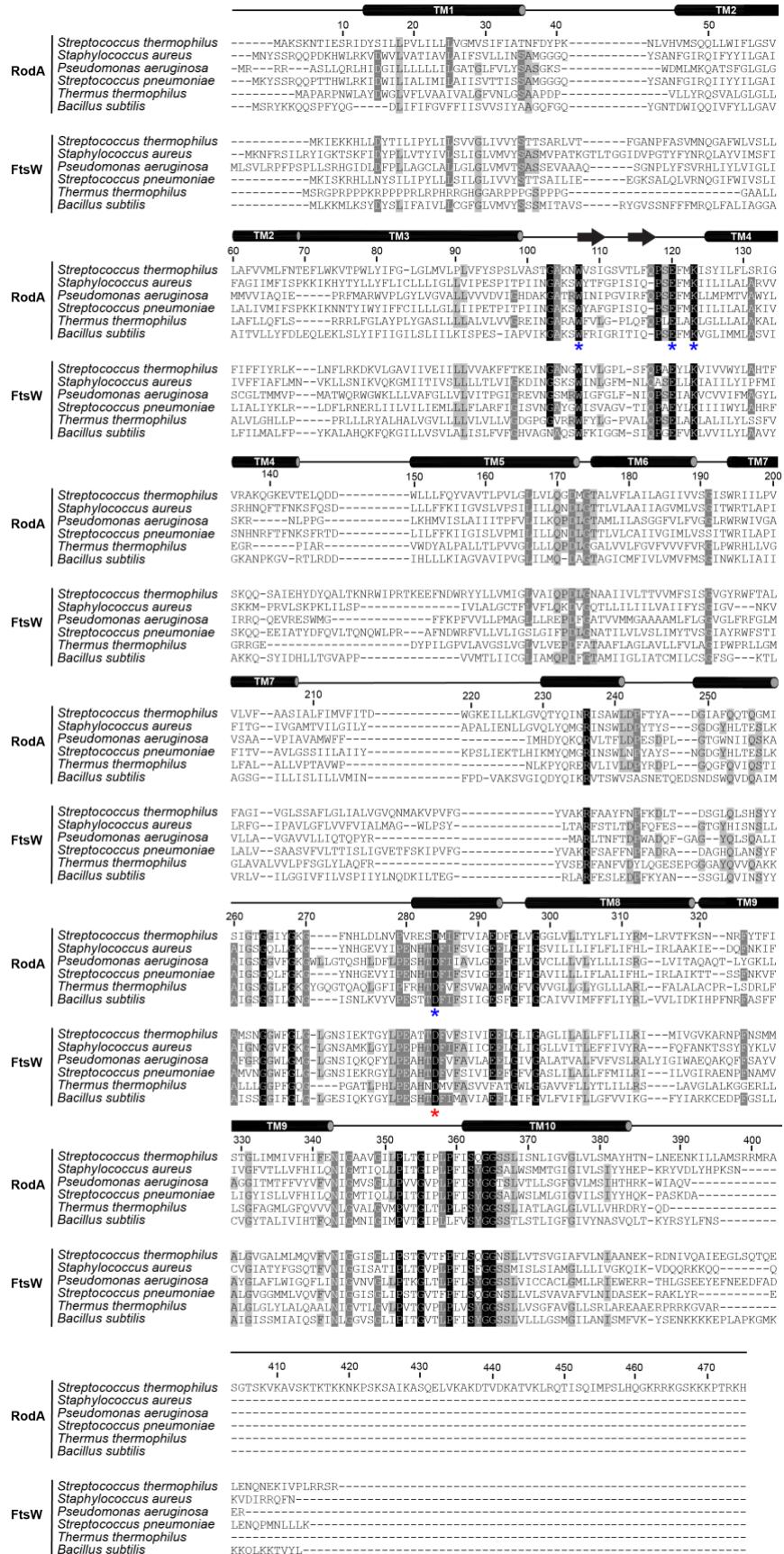
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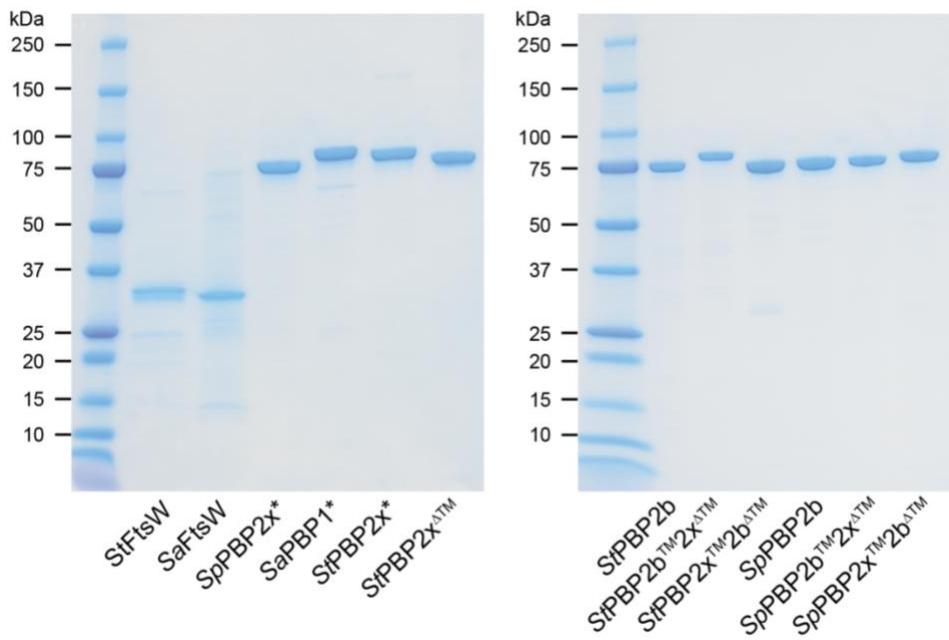
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Supplementary Figure 1: Sequence alignment of FtsW and RodA. Sequence conservation analysis of 20 RodA sequences and 20 FtsW sequences from diverse taxa was performed as described previously.¹ Representative examples of RodA and FtsW from 6 species are shown. Residues with 98%, 80% and 60% identity in the 40 sequences are colored in black, gray and light gray, respectively. Secondary structure elements are shown above the alignment based on the *T. thermophilus* RodA crystal structure.¹ The red asterisk (*) denotes the conserved aspartate residue mutated in this study. The blue asterisk (*) highlights residues that were previously reported to be essential in *B. subtilis* RodA polymerase activity *in vitro*.^{1,2}



Supplementary Figure 2: Coomassie-stained gels of the *Staphylococcus* and *Streptococcus* FtsW and bPBPs with ~2 µg of total protein loaded per lane. Similar results were obtained three times for FtsW and two times for bPBPs.

St = *S. thermophilus*; *Sp* = *S. pneumoniae*; *Sa* = *S. aureus*

*SpPBP2x** = *SpPBP2x*^{S337A}; *SaPBP1** = *SaPBP1*^{S314A}; *StPBP2x** = *StPBP2x*^{S343A}

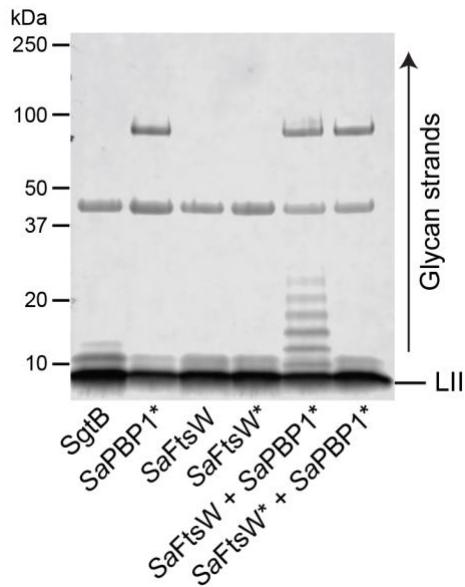
StPBP2x^{ΔTM} = *StPBP2x*^{G53-D755}

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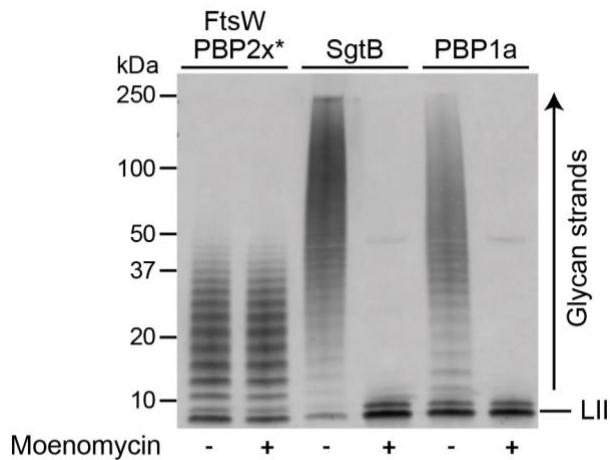
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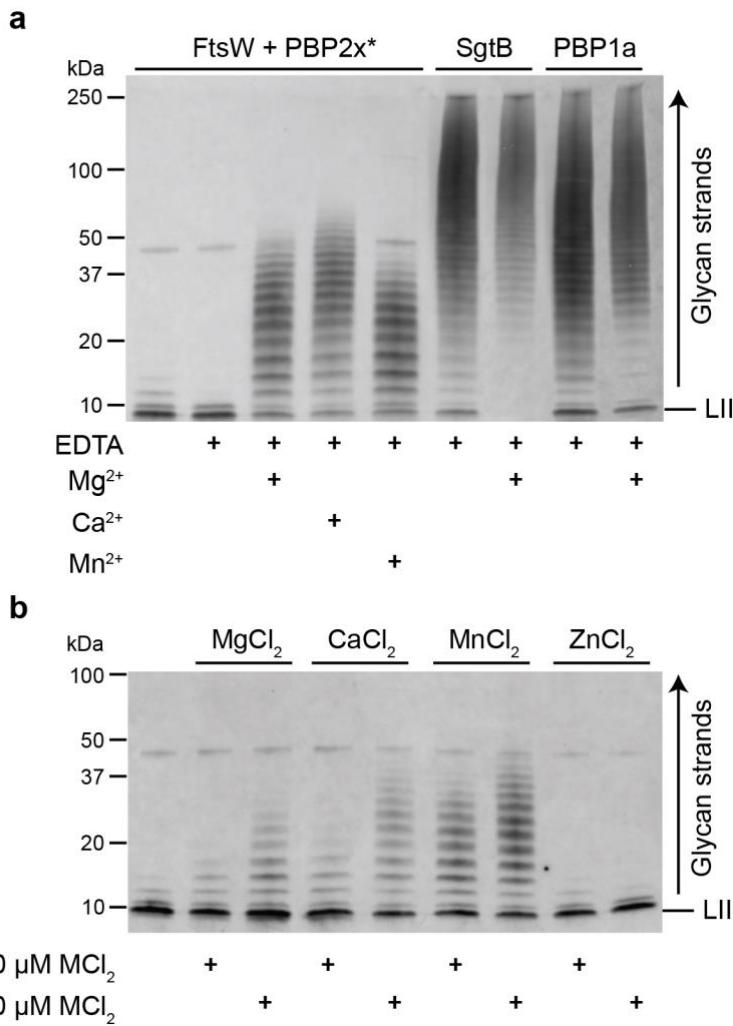
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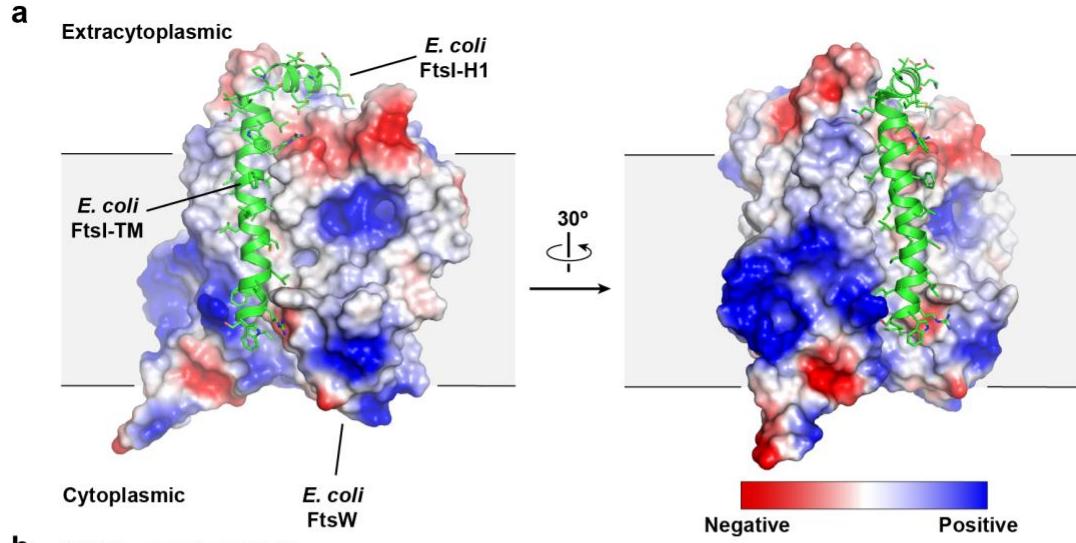
Supplementary Figure 3: *S. aureus* FtsW polymerizes *S. aureus* Lipid II in the presence of its cognate bPBP. *S. aureus* FtsW (2.5 μ M) or SgtB (MGT; 1 μ M) was incubated with Lipid II (10 μ M) and PBP1* (2.5 μ M). Moenomycin (2 μ M) was added to all reactions to eliminate background polymerization by aPBPs or MGTs. The resulting polymer was labeled with BDL and detected by western blot as in Fig. 1c. Bands observed around 45 kDa and 85 kDa correspond to *E. faecalis* PBPX and *S. aureus* PBP1*, respectively, which bind BDL. A representative blot of four independent experiments is shown. An asterisk indicates a catalytically inactive variant. FtsW* = *SaFtsW*^{D287A}; PBP1* = *SaPBP1*^{S314A}



Supplementary Figure 4: *S. thermophilus* FtsW polymerizes *E. faecalis* Lipid II in the presence of moenomycin. *S. thermophilus* FtsW (0.5 μ M), *S. aureus* SgtB (MGT; 0.5 μ M) and *S. pneumoniae* PBP1a (aPBP; 0.5 μ M) were incubated with Lipid II (10 μ M). Moenomycin (5 μ M) was added to the indicated samples. Polymer was labeled with BDL using *E*/PBPX and detected by western blot as in Fig 1c. A representative blot of two independent experiments is shown. An asterisk indicates a catalytically inactive variant. PBP2x* = *St*PBP2x^{S343A}

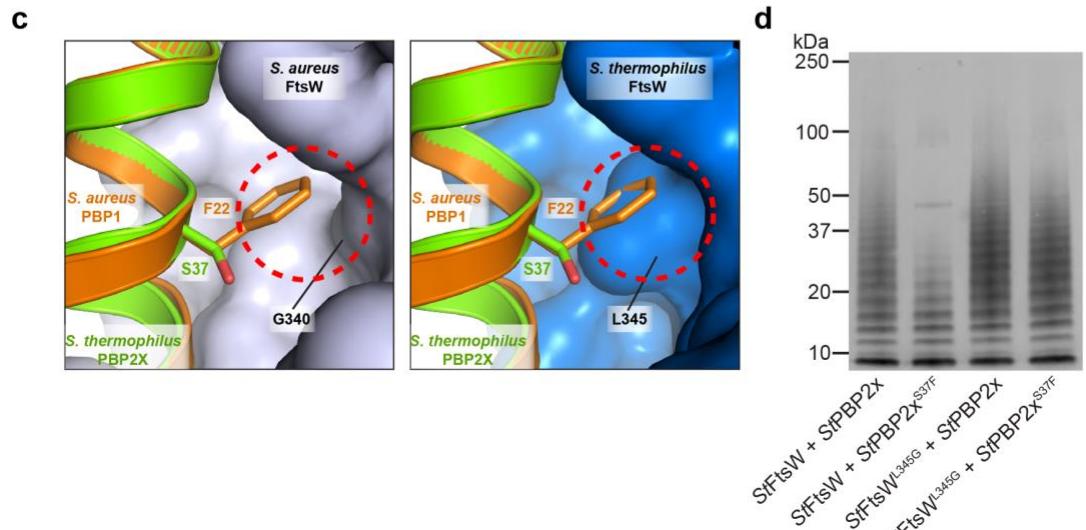


Supplementary Figure 5: *S. thermophilus* FtsW requires divalent cations for PGT activity. (a) *S. thermophilus* FtsW (0.5 μM) and PBP2x* (1 μM) were combined with *E. faecalis* Lipid II (10 μM) in a reaction buffer supplemented with EDTA (10 mM) and the indicated metal chloride (12.5 mM). Analogous reactions were conducted with *S. aureus* SgtB (MGT; 0.5 μM) and *S. pneumoniae* PBP1a (aPBP; 0.5 μM). The polymer products were labeled with BDL using *EfPBPX* and detected by western blot as in Fig. 1c. A representative blot of three independent experiments is shown. An asterisk indicates a catalytically inactive variant. PBP2x* = *S. thermophilus* FtsW (0.5 μM) and PBP2x (1 μM) were added to the reaction along with the indicated concentration of metal chloride (MCl_2). The polymerization reaction was quenched after 15 min and the product was detected via western blot. In contrast to other cations tested, Zn^{2+} was unable to rescue polymerase activity. A representative blot of two independent experiments is shown.

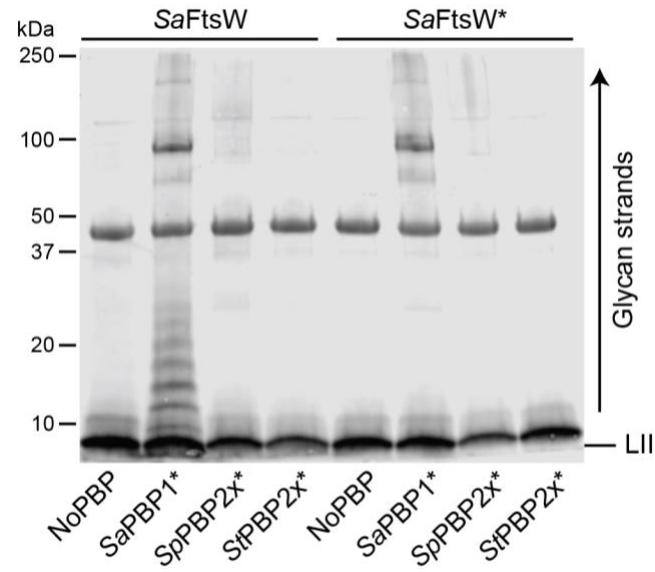


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PBP2X	<i>S. thermophilus</i>	MNRLKKLKHLFLNVVRDRRKPQANRQHVQNLMLSIFIPFVFVIIIFVQVAVIIGDTSKFGVDLSQTAAKSYNTKTIVA ^A KRG ^T I	83
PBP2X	<i>S. pneumoniae</i>	-----MKWTKRVIYATKNRKS ^P AENRRVGKSLSLSVFVPAFLVNR ^N AVIIGDTQRGTDLAKEAKKVQTTTRTVPA ^R G ^T I	79
PBP1	<i>S. aureus</i>	-----MAQKIKIKKNNIKAVAVLLVGLFGLLPFILVLRISYIMITGHNSNGQDLVMKANEKYLVKNAQQPERGK ^I	68
PBP3	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	-----MLKNYFQGALYPMRPF ^C VIGVLLLMVGAIVW ^R IVDLVHD ^H FLKGQGDARSVRHIAIPAH ^R G ^I	65
PBP2B	<i>B. subtilis</i>	-----MIQMPKKNF ^M NRGA ^I LISICP ^A LF ^F VILGRM ^I QITGKANGEV ^L ATKATEQHEKKRTIBASRG ^S I	68
FtsI	<i>H. pylori</i>	-----MDNRNIDPYFNPFEQFL ^E TKYKGTVTALIF ^L LLFF ^I FLMVAFFKAFAQANPNLVMSKQDTIA ^R G ^T I	68
PBP3	<i>S. flexneri</i>	-----MKAAMAKTQPKRQEEEHANFISWRPALLCGCILLALALFLGLRVAMLQVISPDMVKEGDMRSLRVQQVSTS ^{RGM} I	74
PBP3	<i>X. pestis</i>	-----MKTARP ^G KLKRQEESQAFISWRPALLCGCILLALVGLIMRTAYLQVNP ^D LVKEGDMRSLRVQQV ^T ARG ^M I	73
FtsI	<i>P. mirabilis</i>	MKF ^S RAKAKT ^T TKSNAK ^R KPEEK ^T GF ^V SWR ^F ALLCGG ^I LLAL ^L IRV ^A LP ^D L ^I RE ^G GL ^R LSR ^L RV ^Q K ^V T ^A R ^G ^M I	83
PBP3	<i>V. cholerae</i>	-----MKK ^A PAKASRVSPRVTTAEPAP ^I FIRMR ^F YLL ^F VLTAF ^C ALVARVAYQ ^I OIEPDN ^L IKEG ^G DL ^R SR ^I A ^R K ^T LS ^A R ^G ^I	80
PBP2	<i>C. sordidicola</i>	-----MKP ^A P ^K KT ^G GV ^F T ^P N ^P I ^L S ^R LP ^M MR ^S KL ^L V ^V F ^L MA ^F VALA ^G RAF ^W IQ ^G PG ^N AF ^K KKQ ^G ESRY ^R TR ^I EL ^L PA ^T R ^G ^M I	78
PBP2	<i>B. cenocepacia</i>	-----MKPS ^P KRQN ^V -VKFSSSP ^V LGV ^H LP ^M MR ^S KL ^L V ^V F ^L MA ^F VALA ^G RAF ^W IQ ^G PG ^N AF ^Y QKQ ^G ESRY ^R TR ^I EL ^L PA ^T R ^G ^K I	77
FtsI	<i>B. pertussis</i>	-----MRRVP-----FDN ^P V ^L R ^G Q ^L PM ^R RA ^L V ^L L ^L F ^G GF ^V VL ^A GR ^A FL ^G Q ^L ST ^E FL ^Q QQ ^G ERRY ^R ER ^I TL ^L LA ^T R ^G ^K I	71
FtsI	<i>M. xanthus</i>	-----MRDFKAAR ^A RP ^P NA ^K WL ^L RV ^R LL ^F GL ^F FL ^M LG ^V AF ^F GRAVQ ^L Q ^V E ^Q E ^K L ^R G ^M A ^D Q ^Y VR ^H I ^E IP ^A R ^K G ^D I	71
FtsI	<i>B. fragilis</i>	-----MAVN ^K KN ^I MT ^R Y ^F V ^I LL ^M MG ^L IG ^V AI ^V V ^K K ^A I ^T MF ^A ER ^Q Y ^W Q ^D VADRFV ^K EN ^T V ^K P ^N R ^G ^I	62

FtsW	<i>E. coli</i>	-----TDF ^I FA ^I IGEELGYGV ^V VULL ^M FFVAF ^R AMS ^I GR ^K ALE ^I D ^R F ^S GF ^L AC ^I SG ^L Q ^A L ^V N ^V GAAG ^M PT ^K GL ^T L ^P PL ^I S	378
FtsW	<i>S. thermophilus</i>	TDF ^V F ^S I ^V IEELGLIGAGL ^L IL ^L FF ^L IL ^M IV ^V G ^K AR ^N P---FNSM ^A LG ^V AL ^M M ^Q V ^F V ^N IGG ^I SL ^I P ^S ST ^G V ^T F ^P PL ^I S	370
FtsW	<i>S. pneumoniae</i>	TDF ^P V ^S I ^V IEELGLIGAGL ^L IL ^L FF ^L IL ^M IV ^V G ^K RA ^N P---FNSM ^A LG ^V AL ^M M ^Q V ^F V ^N IGG ^I SL ^I P ^S ST ^G V ^T F ^P PL ^I S	367
FtsW	<i>S. aureus</i>	TDF ^P I ^A I ^I CEELGLIGAGL ^L IL ^L FF ^L IL ^M IV ^V G ^K RA ^N P---FNSM ^A LG ^V AL ^M M ^Q V ^F V ^N IGG ^I SL ^I P ^S ST ^G V ^T F ^P PL ^I S	365
FtsW	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	TDF ^P V ^A I ^A ELGLIGAGL ^L IL ^L FF ^L IL ^M IV ^V G ^K RA ^N P---FNSM ^A LG ^V AL ^M M ^Q V ^F V ^N IGG ^I SL ^I P ^S ST ^G V ^T F ^P PL ^I S	356
FtsW	<i>B. subtilis</i>	TDF ^P I ^A MA ^I VEELGLIGAGL ^L IL ^L FF ^L IL ^M IV ^V G ^K RA ^N P---FNSM ^A LG ^V AL ^M M ^Q V ^F V ^N IGG ^I SL ^I P ^S ST ^G V ^T F ^P PL ^I S	352
FtsW	<i>H. pylori</i>	TDM ^V LAGIAEEEWGFLGCV ^C FL ^I FS ^V L ^I V ^I IFRIANRL ^K E ^P --YSLFCV ^G V ^V V ^L IS ^S LS ^V LN ^A F ^G V ^G GL ^P V ^K GL ^L AV ^P F ^L S	363
FtsW	<i>S. flexneri</i>	TDF ^P I ^A I ^I GEELGYGV ^V VULL ^M FFVAF ^R AMS ^I GR ^K ALE ^I D ^R F ^S GF ^L AC ^I SG ^L Q ^A L ^V N ^V GAAG ^M PT ^K GL ^T L ^P PL ^I S	378
FtsW	<i>X. pestis</i>	TDF ^P I ^S I ^I GEELGYGV ^V VULL ^M FFVAF ^R AMS ^I GR ^K ALE ^I D ^R F ^S GF ^L AC ^I SG ^L Q ^A L ^V N ^V GAAG ^M PT ^K GL ^T L ^P PL ^I S	364
FtsW	<i>P. mirabilis</i>	TDP ^F I ^S I ^I AEELGYGV ^V VULL ^M FFVAF ^R AMS ^I GR ^K ALE ^I D ^R F ^S GF ^L AC ^I SG ^L Q ^A L ^V N ^V GAAG ^M PT ^K GL ^T L ^P PL ^I S	361
FtsW	<i>V. cholerae</i>	TDP ^F V ^A I ^A ELGLIGAGL ^L IL ^L FF ^L IL ^M IV ^V G ^K RA ^N P---FNSM ^A LG ^V AL ^M M ^Q V ^F V ^N IGG ^I SL ^I P ^S ST ^G V ^T F ^P PL ^I S	358
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FtsW	<i>B. pertussis</i>	TDF ^{FL} MAVV ^V GEELGFAGV ^M V ^L IT ^I FA ^I I ^V Y ^R GF ^D I ^G Q ^R A ^I M ^E R ^T F ^A GL ^V A ^H GV ^M V ^G V ^Q A ^F I ^M GV ^C L ^G L ^P TK ^G L ^T L ^P PL ^I S	365
FtsW	<i>M. xanthus</i>	TDF ^F I ^S I ^I AEETLG ^F GV ^L V ^L LY ^V V ^V W ^R RA ^E IF ^R Q ^A LA ^R DT ^R F ^A GL ^M AK ^G I ^L W ^F GA ^Q F ^T I ^M GV ^N VL ^G L ^P TK ^G L ^T L ^P PL ^I S	347
FtsW	<i>B. fragilis</i>	SDP ^F I ^A I ^I ELGLGV ^V VULL ^M FFVAF ^R AMS ^I GR ^K ALE ^I D ^R F ^S GF ^L AC ^I SG ^L Q ^A L ^V N ^V GAAG ^M PT ^K GL ^T L ^P PL ^I S	362

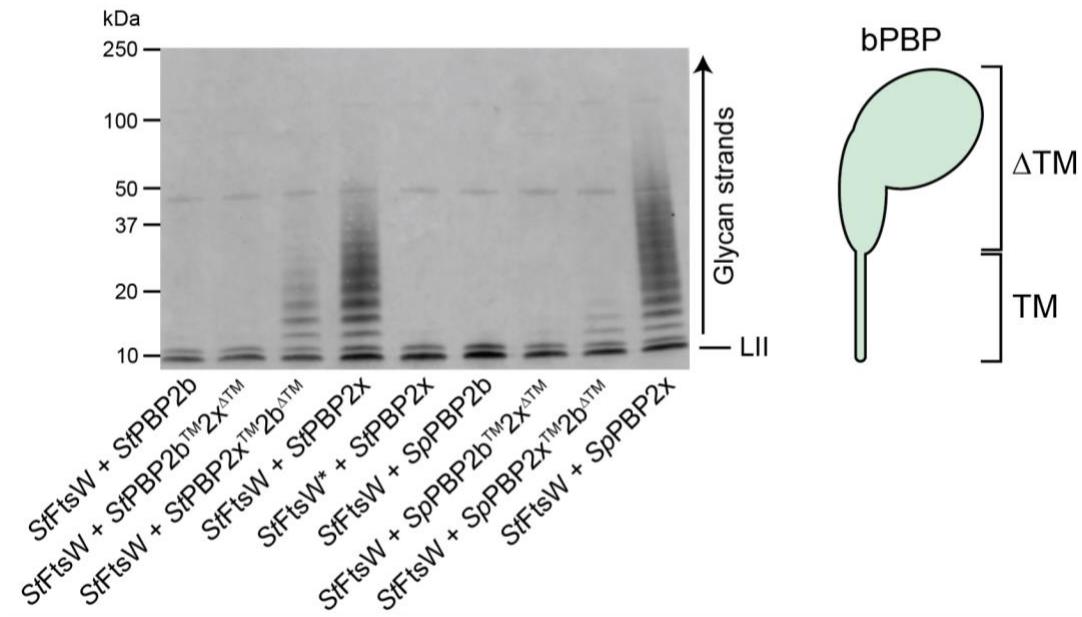


Supplementary Figure 6: The predicted complexes between FtsW and its cognate bPBP are largely governed by steric compatibility. (a) Predicted model of *E. coli* FtsW-FtsI (PBP3) interface based on evolutionary covariation. The TM and first alpha helix (H1) of FtsI (green) displays strong evolutionary couplings to TM8 and TM9 of FtsW. FtsW is colored according to electrostatic potential. The model is adapted from Ovchinnikov *et al.*³ (b) Sequence alignment of FtsW and its cognate bPBP from diverse bacterial taxa. For clarity, only regions with strong inter-protein evolutionary covariation (TM-H1 and TM8-9 for bPBPs and FtsW, respectively) are shown. Red residues are shared by *S. thermophilus*, *S. pneumoniae* and *S. aureus* FtsW/bPBP. Blue residues are shared by *S. thermophilus* and *S. pneumoniae* FtsW/bPBP. Secondary structure prediction is based on the predicted models of *E. coli* FtsW and FtsI, and multiple sequence alignment was performed by Clustal X.^{3,4} (c) Example of a species-specific steric compatibility at the predicted interface between FtsW and its cognate bPBP. (d) A S37F substitution in the *St*PBP2x TM helix predicted to destabilize FtsW-bPBP interaction results in the reduction of polymerase activity. A compensatory L345G substitution in *St*FtsW predicted to relieve the steric hindrance restores polymerase activity. A representative blot of two independent experiments is shown.



Supplementary Figure 7: *S. aureus* FtsW requires its cognate bPBP for PGT activity. *S. aureus* FtsW (2.5 μ M) was incubated with *S. aureus* Lipid II (10 μ M) and a bPBP from *S. aureus* (*Sa*PBP1, 2.5 μ M), *S. pneumoniae* (*Sp*PBP2x, 2.5 μ M) or *S. thermophilus* (*St*PBP2x, 2.5 μ M) in the presence of moenomycin (2 μ M). The polymer products were labeled with BDL using *E*/PBPX and detected by western blot as in Fig. 1c. Bands observed around 45 kDa and 85 kDa correspond to self-labeling by *E. faecalis* PBPX and *S. aureus* PBP1*, respectively. A representative blot of four independent experiments is shown. An asterisk indicates a catalytically inactive variant.

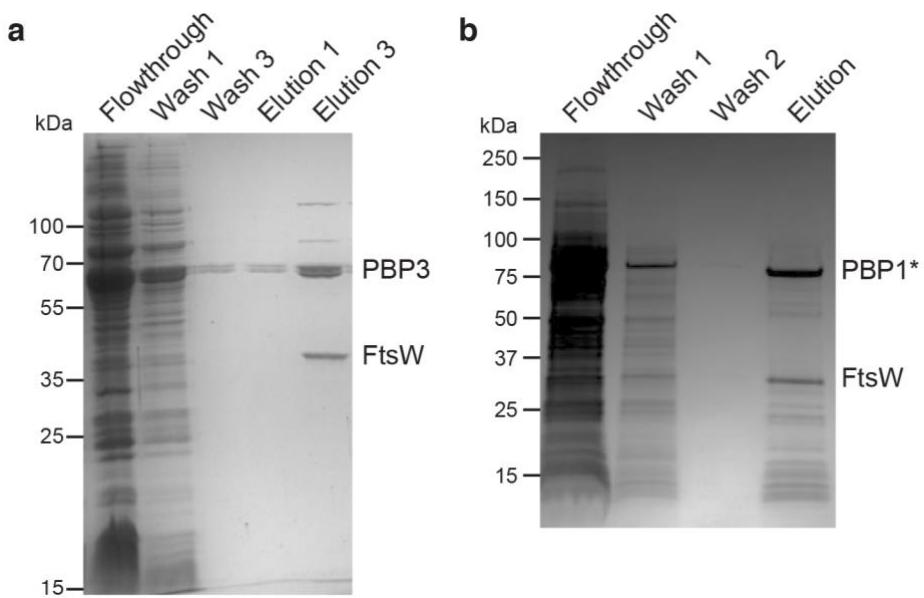
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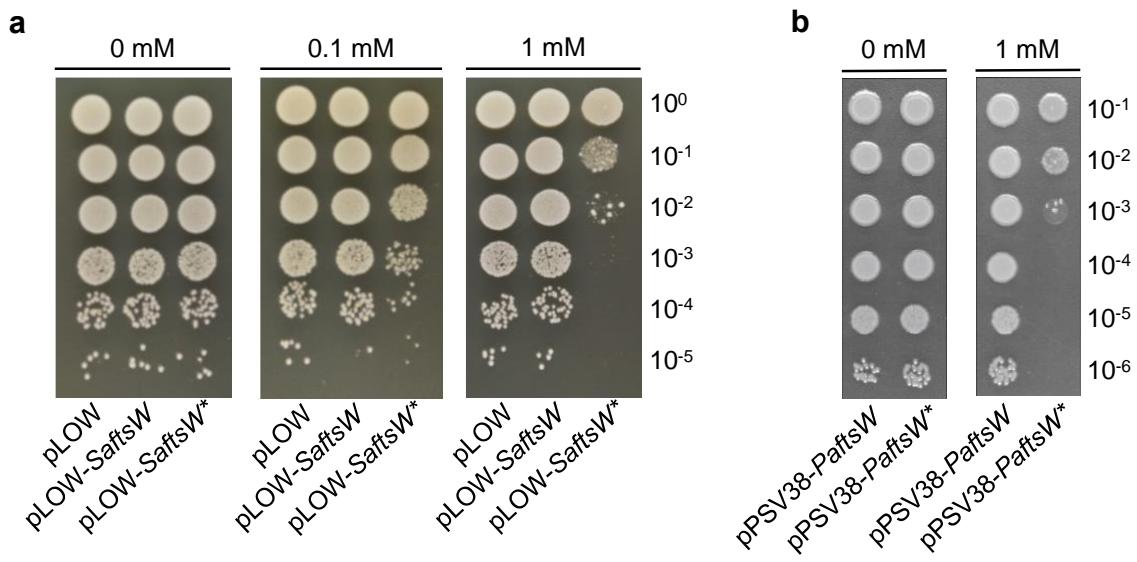
Supplementary Figure 8: *S. thermophilus* FtsW requires the TM helix of its cognate/near-cognate bPBP for PGT activity. *S. thermophilus* FtsW (0.5 μ M) and bPBP (1 μ M) were combined in a reaction buffer and the polymer products were detected by western blot as in Fig. 1c. A representative blot of three independent experiments is shown. *StFtsW** = *StFtsW^{D292A}*

$2b^{TM}2x^{ATM}$ = Chimeric PBP containing the TM domain of PBP2b and the extracellular domain of PBP2x

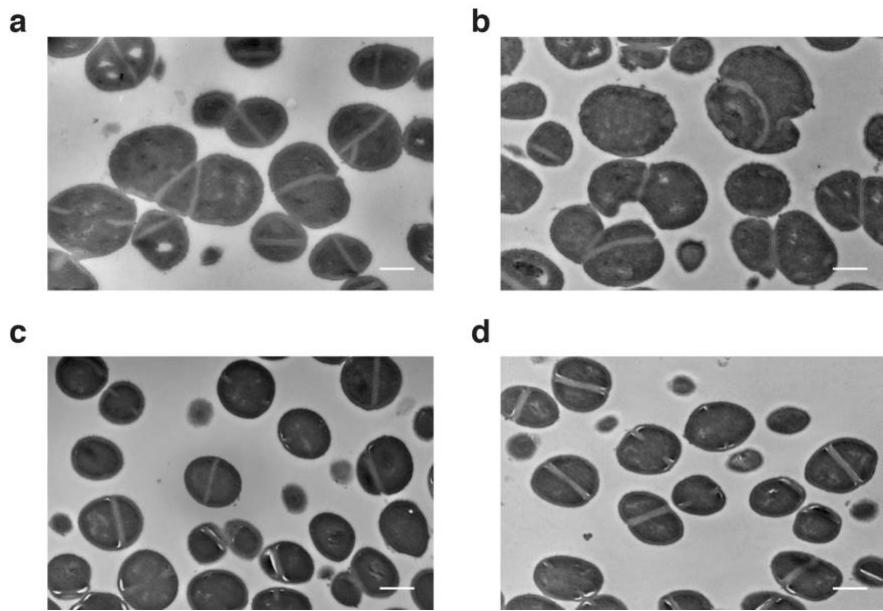
$2x^{TM}2b^{ATM}$ = Chimeric PBP containing the TM domain of PBP2x and the extracellular domain of PBP2b



Supplementary Figure 9: Active FtsW-bPBP complexes can be co-purified. Coomassie staining shows the co-expression and purification of (a) *P. aeruginosa* FtsW and PBP3 and (b) *S. aureus* FtsW and PBP1* (see methods). Representative gels of two independent purifications are shown. Identity of the proteins was assigned by western blot. Note that *Pa*PBP3 purifies as a doublet of bands that both bind Bocillin-FL. The doublet may result from C-terminal processing as has been observed for *E. coli* PBP3.⁵
 $\text{PBP1}^* = \text{SaPBP1}^{\text{S314A}}$

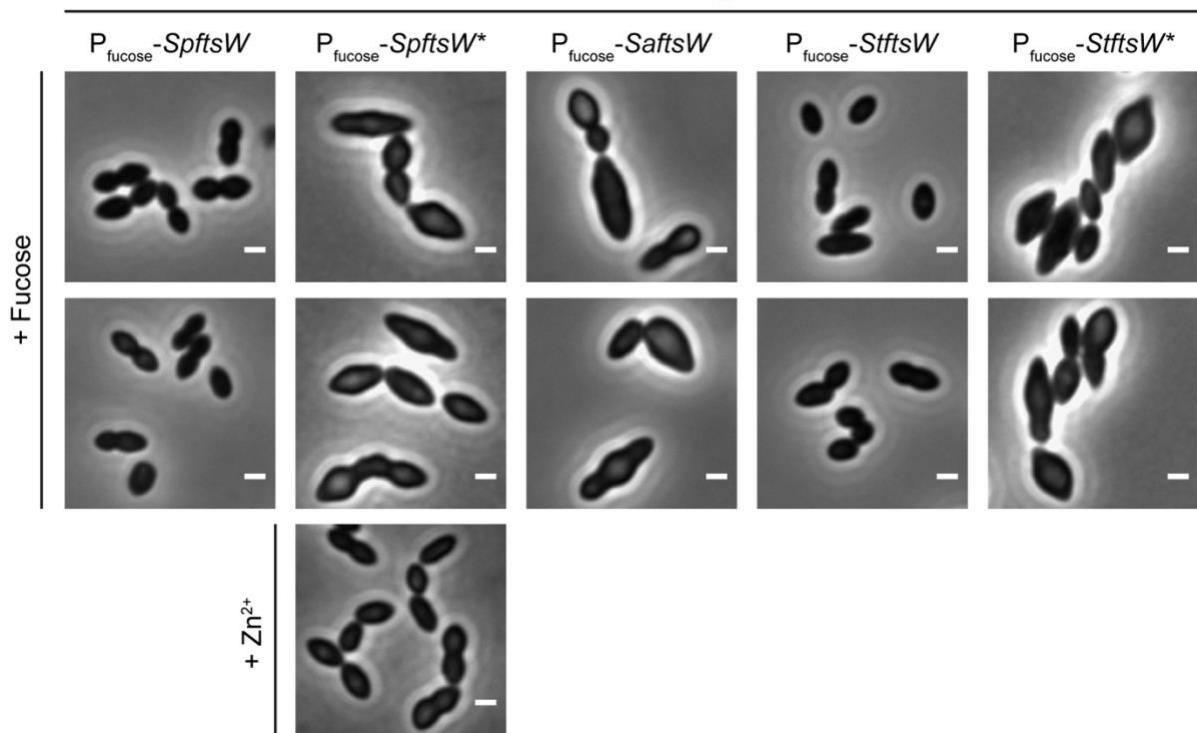


Supplementary Figure 10: Overexpression of FtsW* causes impaired fitness. (a) *S. aureus* cultures in mid-log phase were normalized to OD₆₀₀ = 0.2 and serially diluted before 5 µL of each sample was spotted on TSB plates containing erythromycin supplemented with the indicated concentration of IPTG. (b) *P. aeruginosa* overnight cultures were normalized to OD₆₀₀ = 2.4 and serially diluted before 5 µL of each sample was spotted on LB plates containing gentamycin supplemented with the indicated concentration of IPTG. Representative results of two independent experiments are shown for both *S. aureus* and *P. aeruginosa*. An asterisk indicates a gene encoding a catalytically inactive variant. *SaftsW** = *SaftsW*^{D287A}; *PaftsW** = *PaftsW*^{D275A}

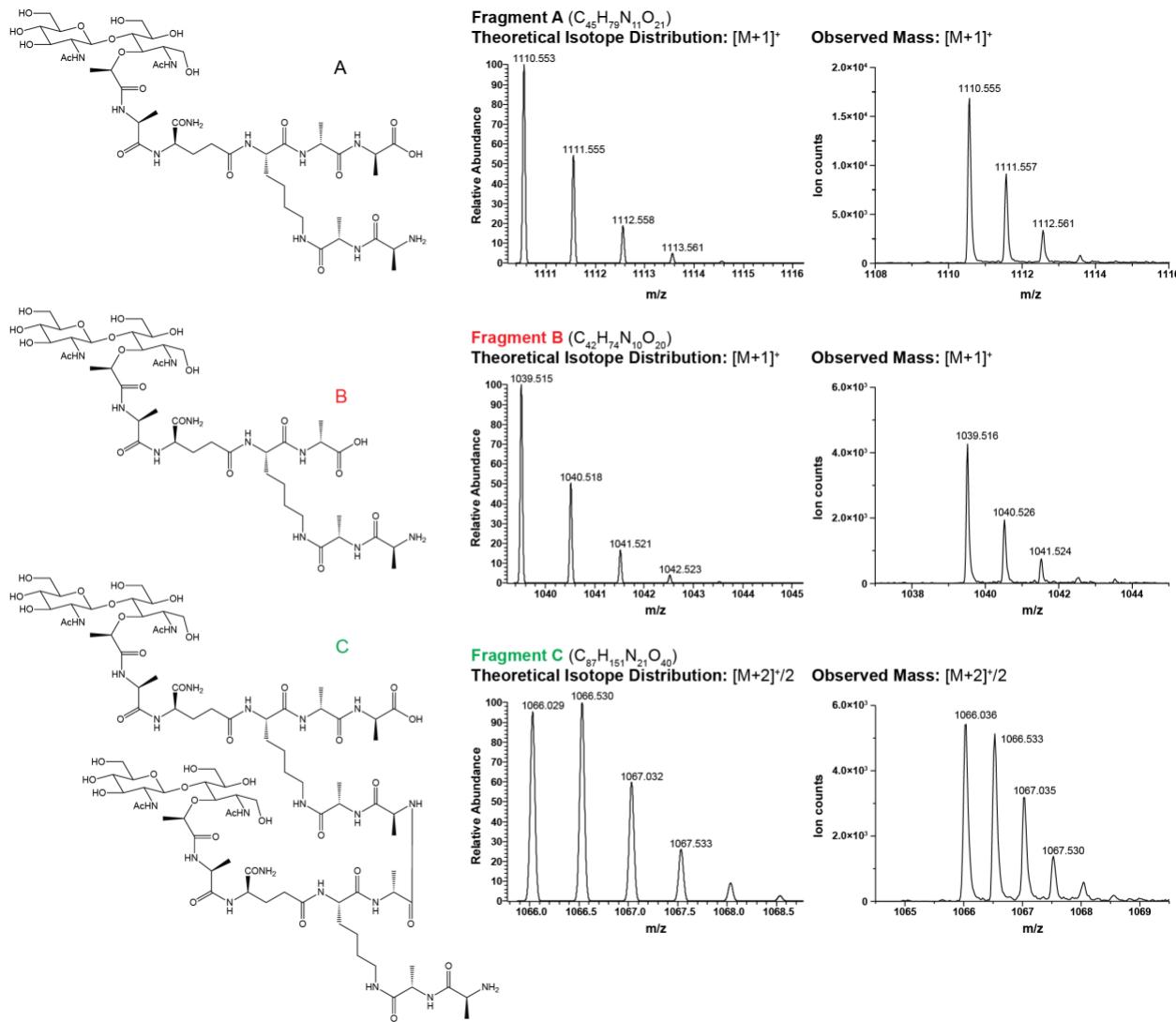


Supplementary Figure 11: Representative electron microscopy images of *S. aureus* strains from two independent experiments. Cells overexpressing FtsW* revealed aberrant morphology (a & b). Images of cells (strain AT196) lacking inducer (c) and cells (strain AT195) overexpressing wild-type FtsW (d) are shown for comparison. Scale bar = 500 nm. See Supplementary Table 3 for strain genotypes.

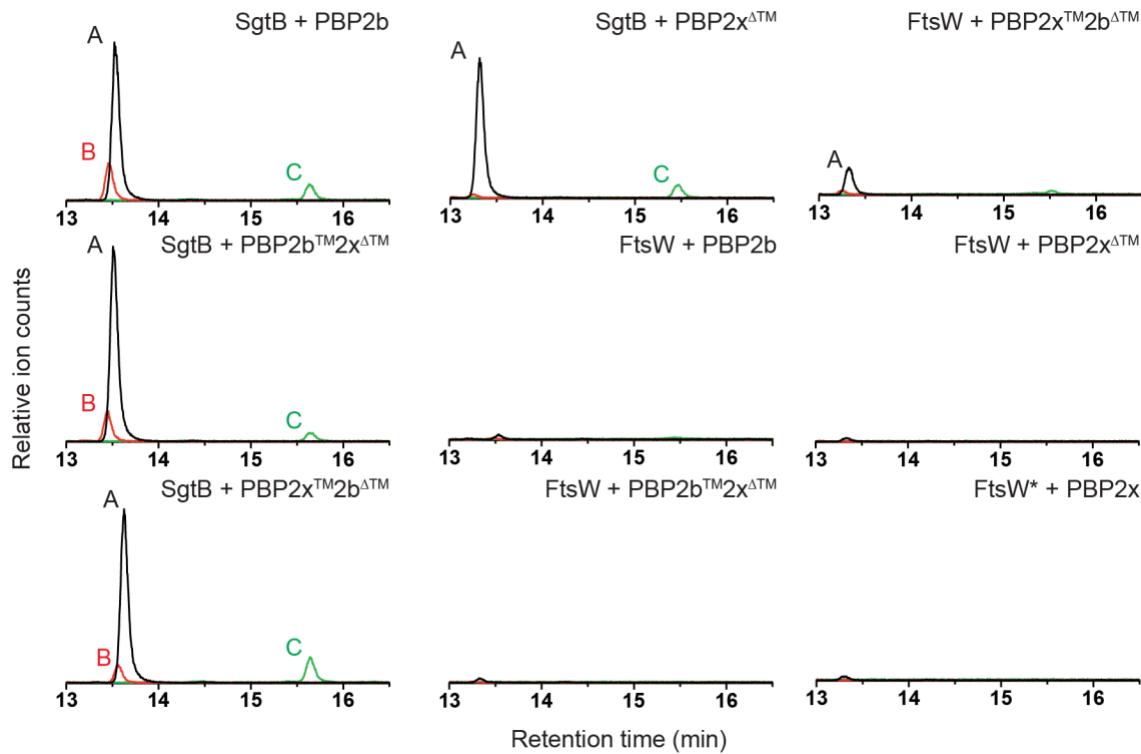
S. pneumoniae $\Delta ftsW$ P_{Zn} -*SpftsW*



Supplementary Figure 12: Phase contrast images of *S. pneumoniae* strains in the presence of the indicated inducer. Representative images of two independent experiments are shown. Scale bar = 1 μ m.

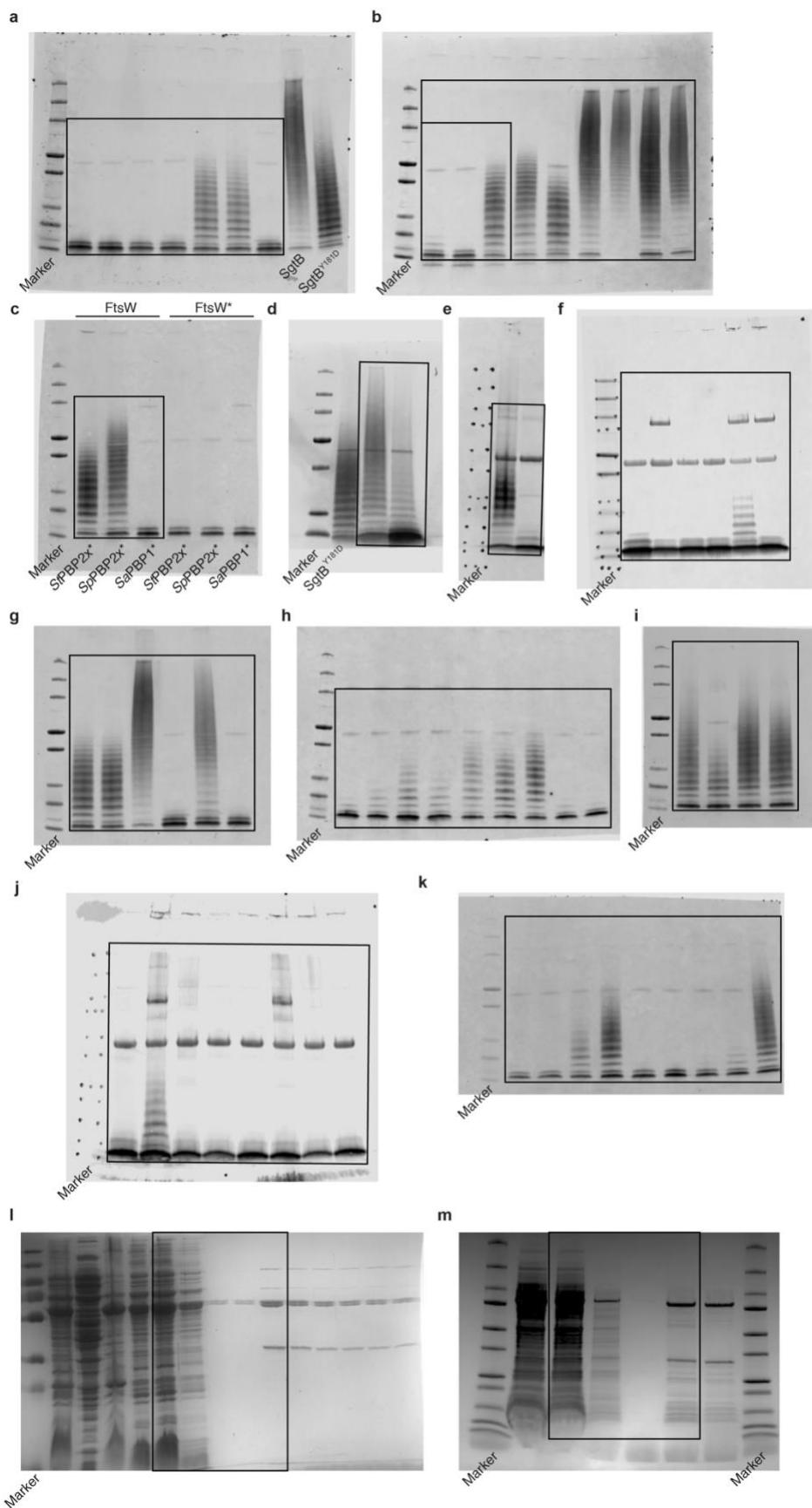


Supplementary Figure 13: Chemical structures and mass spectra of the muropeptide products of *S. thermophilus* bPBP crosslinking reactions following mutanolysin digestion and reduction. Representative mass spectra of five independent experiments are shown.



Supplementary Figure 14: *S. thermophilus* bPBPs do not require their native TM domain for crosslinking peptidoglycan. SgtB (1 μ M) or *S. thermophilus* FtsW (0.5 μ M) was incubated with *S. thermophilus* bPBP (1.25 μ M) in a reaction buffer containing *E. faecalis* Lipid II (20 μ M). The resulting polymer was digested with mutanolysin and analyzed by LC-MS as in Fig 3a. Crosslinking is detected by the appearance of peak C, a crosslinked muropeptide. Representative chromatograms of two independent experiments are shown.





Supplementary Figure 15: Full membrane and gel images from Fig. 1d (a), Fig. 1e and Supplementary Fig. 5 (b), Fig. 1f (c), Fig. 2a (d), Fig 2b (e), Supplementary Fig. 3 (f), Supplementary Fig. 4 (g).

Supplementary Fig. 5b (h), Supplementary Fig. 6d (i), Supplementary Fig. 7 (j), Supplementary Fig. 8 (k), Supplementary Fig. 9a (l) and Supplementary Fig. 9b (m). Black boxes indicate the cropped region for each figure.

<i>S. aureus</i>	% of cells with septal defects (# of cells)
WT No inducer (245)	0 % (0)
WT + 1 mM IPTG (234)	0 % (0)
D287A No inducer (203)	0 % (0)
D287A + 1 mM IPTG (212)	~19 % (40)

Supplementary Table 1: Only *S. aureus* cells overexpressing FtsW* displayed aberrant septal formation. Every cell in the electron micrograph field was analyzed for septum formation defects. The total number of cells analyzed is shown in parenthesis.

<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	Cell length (μm)	Cell width (μm)
WT No inducer (295)	3.55 ± 0.75	1.02 ± 0.09
WT + 1 mM IPTG (181)	3.65 ± 0.70	1.01 ± 0.05
D275A No inducer (380)	3.65 ± 0.71	1.02 ± 0.04
D275A + 1 mM IPTG (183)	11.54 ± 4.79	0.91 ± 0.11

Supplementary Table 2: Measurement of the cell length and width of *P. aeruginosa* samples (Mean \pm SD, Oufiti).⁶ Cells overexpressing FtsW* displayed a statistically significant difference in cell length compared to other samples ($p < 0.0001$, one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's post hoc test, GraphPad Prism 7.0). The total number of cells measured is shown in parenthesis.

Supplementary Table 3. Bacterial strains used in this study

Strain	Description*	Reference
<i>E. coli</i>		
XL1-Blue	Host strain for plasmid cloning	Stratagene
DH5 α	Host strain for plasmid cloning	Invitrogen
BL21(DE3)	Expression strain for protein production	7
C43(DE3)	BL21(DE3) derivative strain for protein production	8
CAM333	C43(DE3) Δ ponB, Δ pbpC, Δ mtgA	2
<i>S. aureus</i>		
RN4220	Wild-type	9
AT194	RN4220 pLOW; Erm ^R	This study
AT195	RN4220 pLOW-SaftsW; Erm ^R	This study
AT196	RN4220 pLOW-SaftsW ^{D287A} ; Erm ^R	This study
<i>P. aeruginosa</i>		
PAO1	Wild-type	C.S. Harwood
LSM7	PAO1 pPSV38-PaftsW; Gent ^R	This study
LSM8	PAO1 pPSV38-PaftsW ^{D275A} ; Gent ^R	This study
<i>S. pneumoniae</i>		
D39	Δ cps	10
AT030	D39 Δ cps, Δ bgaA::erm; Erm ^R	11
AT031	D39 Δ cps, Δ bgaA::kan; Kan ^R	11
R6	Wild-type	10
AT202	R6 cpsO::(P _{Zn} -SpftsW, kan)::cpsN; Kan ^R	This study
AT203	R6 cpsO::(P _{Zn} -SpftsW, kan)::cpsN, Δ ftsW::erm; Erm ^R , Kan ^R	This study
AT204	R6 cpsO::(P _{Zn} -SpftsW, kan)::cpsN, Δ ftsW::erm, Δ bgaA::(P _{fucose} -SpftsW, tet); Erm ^R , Kan ^R , Tet ^R	This study
AT205	R6 cpsO::(P _{Zn} -SpftsW, kan)::cpsN, Δ ftsW::erm, Δ bgaA::(P _{fucose} -SpftsW ^{D289A} , tet); Erm ^R , Kan ^R , Tet ^R	This study
AT206	R6 cpsO::(P _{Zn} -SpftsW, kan)::cpsN, Δ ftsW::erm, Δ bgaA::(P _{fucose} -SaftsW, tet); Erm ^R , Kan ^R , Tet ^R	This study
AT207	R6 cpsO::(P _{Zn} -SpftsW, kan)::cpsN, Δ ftsW::erm, Δ bgaA::(P _{fucose} -StftsW, tet); Erm ^R , Kan ^R , Tet ^R	This study
AT208	R6 cpsO::(P _{Zn} -SpftsW, kan)::cpsN, Δ ftsW::erm, Δ bgaA::(P _{fucose} -StftsW ^{D292A} , tet); Erm ^R , Kan ^R , Tet ^R	This study

* See Supplementary Table 4 for list of abbreviations

Supplementary Table 4. Plasmids used in this study

Plasmid	Description*	Reference
pET28b(+)	IPTG-inducible protein expression vector; Kan ^R	Novagen
pATPL107	His ₆ - <i>St</i> FtsW expression vector; Kan ^R	This study
pATPL121	His ₆ - <i>St</i> FtsW ^{D292A} expression vector; Kan ^R	This study
pATPL185	His ₆ - <i>St</i> FtsW ^{L345G} expression vector; Kan ^R	This study
pMW2179	His ₆ - <i>Sa</i> FtsW expression vector; Kan ^R	This study
pMW2193	His ₆ - <i>Sa</i> FtsW ^{D287A} expression vector; Kan ^R	This study
pMW2194	<i>Sa</i> PBP1-His ₆ expression vector; Kan ^R	This study
pMW2180	<i>Sa</i> PBP1 ^{S314A} -His ₆ expression vector; Kan ^R	This study
pET22b(+)	IPTG-inducible protein expression vector; Carb ^R	Novagen
pATPL091	<i>St</i> PBP2x-His ₆ expression vector; Carb ^R	This study
pATPL123	<i>St</i> PBP2x ^{G53-D755} -His ₆ expression vector; Carb ^R	This study
pATPL112	<i>St</i> PBP2x ^{S343A} -His ₆ expression vector; Carb ^R	This study
pATPL180	<i>St</i> PBP2x ^{S37F} -His ₆ expression vector; Carb ^R	This study
pATPL169	<i>St</i> PBP2b-His ₆ expression vector; Carb ^R	This study
pATPL172	<i>St</i> PBP2b ^{M1-M58} <i>St</i> PBP2x ^{G53-D755} -His ₆ expression vector; Carb ^R	This study
pATPL173	<i>St</i> PBP2x ^{M1-I52} <i>St</i> PBP2b ^{Q59-H704} -His ₆ expression vector; Carb ^R	This study
pATPL017	<i>Sp</i> PBP2x-His ₆ expression vector; Carb ^R	This study
pATPL067	<i>Sp</i> PBP2x ^{S337A} -His ₆ expression vector; Carb ^R	This study
pATPL084	<i>Sp</i> PBP2b-His ₆ expression vector; Carb ^R	This study
pATPL170	<i>Sp</i> PBP2b ^{M6-Y38} <i>Sp</i> PBP2x ^{T50-D750} -His ₆ expression vector; Carb ^R	This study
pATPL171	<i>Sp</i> PBP2x ^{M1-G49} <i>Sp</i> PBP2b ^{M39-N685} -His ₆ expression vector; Carb ^R	This study
pATPL044	<i>Sp</i> PBP1a-His ₆ expression vector; Carb ^R	This study
pATPL051	<i>Sp</i> PBP1a ^{S370A} -His ₆ expression vector; Carb ^R	This study
pETDuet-1	IPTG-inducible protein expression vector containing two multiple cloning sites; Carb ^R	Novagen
pETDuet-FLAG	Modified pETDuet-1 containing a N-terminal His ₆ -SUMO-FLAG tag at the first site and C-terminal His ₆ tag at the second site; Carb ^R	This study
pLSM3	His ₆ -SUMO-FLAG- <i>Pa</i> FtsW & <i>Pa</i> PBP3-His ₆ expression vector; Carb ^R	This study
pLSM6	His ₆ -SUMO-FLAG- <i>Pa</i> FtsW ^{D275A} & <i>Pa</i> PBP3-His ₆ expression vector; Carb ^R	This study
pMW2144	His ₆ -SUMO-FLAG- <i>Sa</i> FtsW & <i>Sa</i> PBP1 ^{S314A} -His ₆ expression vector; Carb ^R	This study
pMW2176	His ₆ -SUMO-FLAG- <i>Sa</i> FtsW ^{D287A} & <i>Sa</i> PBP1 ^{S314A} -His ₆ expression vector; Carb ^R	This study
pAM174	Encodes arabinose-inducible Ulp1 ^{L403-K621} protease; Cm ^R	2
pMW1010	<i>E. faecalis</i> His ₆ -PBPX expression vector; Kan ^R	12
pPBP4	<i>S. aureus</i> His ₆ -PBP4 expression vector; Kan ^R	13
pMgt1	<i>S. aureus</i> SgtB-His ₆ expression vector; Carb ^R	14
pET24bSgtBY181D	<i>S. aureus</i> SgtB ^{Y181D} -His ₆ expression vector; Kan ^R	15
pLOW	<i>S. aureus</i> expression vector containing IPTG-inducible P _{spac} promoter; Erm ^R	16
pLOWftsW	<i>S. aureus</i> P _{spac} - <i>Sa</i> FtsW expression vector; Erm ^R	This study
pLOWftsWD287A	<i>S. aureus</i> P _{spac} - <i>Sa</i> FtsW ^{D287A} expression vector; Erm ^R	This study

*Abbreviations: Carb^R, ampicillin/carbenicillin resistance; Cm^R, chloramphenicol resistance; Erm^R, erythromycin resistance; Gent^R, gentamycin resistance; Kan^R, kanamycin resistance; Tet^R, tetracycline resistance

Supplementary Table 4. Plasmids used in this study (cont.)

Plasmid	Description*	Reference
pPSV38	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> expression vector containing IPTG-inducible <i>P_{lacUV5}</i> promoter; Gent ^R	17
pLSM8	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> <i>P_{lacUV5}</i> - <i>PaFtsW</i> expression vector; Gent ^R	This study
pLSM9	<i>P. aeruginosa</i> <i>P_{lacUV5}</i> - <i>PaFtsW^{D275A}</i> expression vector; Gent ^R	This study
pLEM023	<i>S. pneumoniae</i> <i>bgaA</i> integration vector containing zinc-inducible <i>P_{cex}</i> (<i>P_{zn}</i>) promoter; Carb ^R , Tet ^R	11
pATPL139	<i>S. pneumoniae</i> <i>bgaA</i> :: <i>P_{zn}</i> - <i>SpFtsW</i> integration vector; Carb ^R , Tet ^R	This study
pAKF205	<i>S. pneumoniae</i> <i>bgaA</i> integration vector containing fucose-inducible <i>P_{fcsK}</i> (<i>P_{fucose}</i>) promoter; Carb ^R , Tet ^R	11
pATPL137	<i>S. pneumoniae</i> <i>bgaA</i> :: <i>P_{fucose}</i> - <i>SpFtsW</i> integration vector; Carb ^R , Tet ^R	This study
pATPL138	<i>S. pneumoniae</i> <i>bgaA</i> :: <i>P_{fucose}</i> - <i>SpFtsW^{D289A}</i> integration vector; Carb ^R , Tet ^R	This study
pATPL141	<i>S. pneumoniae</i> <i>bgaA</i> :: <i>P_{fucose}</i> - <i>SaFtsW</i> integration vector; Carb ^R , Tet ^R	This study
pATPL142	<i>S. pneumoniae</i> <i>bgaA</i> :: <i>P_{fucose}</i> - <i>StFtsW</i> integration vector; Carb ^R , Tet ^R	This study
pATPL143	<i>S. pneumoniae</i> <i>bgaA</i> :: <i>P_{fucose}</i> - <i>StFtsW^{D292A}</i> integration vector; Carb ^R , Tet ^R	This study

*Abbreviations: Carb^R, ampicillin/carbenicillin resistance; Cm^R, chloramphenicol resistance; Erm^R, erythromycin resistance; Gent^R, gentamycin resistance; Kan^R, kanamycin resistance; Tet^R, tetracycline resistance

Supplementary Table 5. Oligonucleotide primers used in this study

Primer	Sequence (5'-3')*
oAT01	GTACATAT <u>GAAATTGAAAAGAACATCTTTGG</u>
oAT02	ACTAAG <u>CTTCAACGACTTCTCTCAAAGGTA</u>
oAT03	CCTTGTTGTTCAATTGTTATTGAAGAGTT
oAT04	CTGTTGTTGCTTCTGGGAGATAAC
oAT05	TCTCATGGGATGCAAGTTTGTAAATATCGGTG
oAT06	TGCATCCCCATGAGAGCCCCCACACC
oAT07	GTACATAT <u>GAACAGACTAAAAACTAAACAT</u>
oAT08	ACTAAG <u>CTTGTCTCCTAAAGTAATGGTAATCTT</u>
oAT09	GTACATAT <u>GGGAACCGATAAGTAAGTTGGTGTG</u>
oAT10	AGCCAGGGCAACCATGAAAGTGTGCTCTTGT
oAT11	TGGTTGCCCTGGCTCATACTGAGCTTCA
oAT12	TATTTTATCTTTTGTTTTATTATCAAC
oAT13	AAGAGAACCATCAGGTTCTG
oAT14	GTACATAT <u>GACATCATTGGGAAAAAAAGTC</u> AAA
oAT15	ACTAAG <u>CTTGTGAGTATTGATAAAAGTTCCATGATAG</u>
oAT16	CATATAGGTCAAACGCGCAAAA
oAT17	TTTGCGCGTTGACCTATATGGGAACCGATAAGTTGGTGTG
oAT18	AATAATTACCAAAAGTTGATAATAAAA
oAT19	TTTTATTATCAACTTGTGTAATTATTAGTTATAACAAATCTTTTACTAA
oAT20	GTAG <u>CTGACTGAATATATGAAGAATTAGAAGTATTACGG</u>
oAT21	ACT <u>GCGCCGCTTAATTAAATTGTCTCTTATATCAACTTTTGTG</u>
oAT22	ACCACATACAGCATTATTGCAATTATTG
oAT23	TCTGGTAAATAGCCAATTTC
oAT24	AGGAGATATACCATGGCAAGCAAAAAATTAAAAATTAAAAAAA
oAT25	TGCTCGAGTGC <u>GGCGCGTCCGACTTATCCTTGTC</u>
oAT26	CGAGCCTGGAGCAACATTAAATC
oAT27	TATGTGTTTGATAAAAGGTCAATTG
oAT28	GTACATAT <u>GAAGTGGACAAAAGAGTAATCGTT</u>
oAT29	ACTAAG <u>CTTGTCTCCTAAAGTTAATGTAATTGTTAATG</u>
oAT30	GCCACTATGAAAGTGTGATGTTG
oAT31	ACCTGGCTCATAGTTACTTGG
oAT32	GTACATAT <u>GAGAAAATTAAACAGCCATTGATTCC</u>
oAT33	ACTAAG <u>CTTATTGATGGTATTGATAACAGA</u>
oAT34	ATACAACAAACGACCAATAATG
oAT35	CATTATTGGTCGTTGTTGATACAGGC <u>ACTCGCTTGGAAC</u>
oAT36	CCCAATAATGACCGCAAAATT
oAT37	AATTGCGGT <u>CATTATTGGATGCAGGTTTGAACAGGATT</u>
oAT38	GTACATAT <u>GAACAAACCAACGATTCTGC</u>
oAT39	ACTCCTCGAGTGGTTGCTGGTTGAGGAT

* Underlined sequences are restriction sites introduced in primers.

Supplementary Table 5. Oligonucleotide primers used in this study (cont.)

Primer	Sequence (5'-3')*
oAT40	GCAACTATGAAACCGATCACAGACTATGCTCC
oAT41	TCCCCAGTCGGGTTGTTT
oAT42	TTTCAAGGCCCTGGGGGGCATCCATGCTGTCGGTGTGCGCCC
oAT43	TTAACGATTATGCGGCCGCAAGCTTACCTTCATCGCAAAGTCCTCTTC
oAT44	TATATTAGTTAAGTATAAGAAGGAGATACATATGAAACTGAATTATTCCAGGG CGCC
oAT45	GGTGCTCGAGTGCAGGCCGCAAGCTGCCACGCCCTCCTTGCAG
oAT46	GCGCCCGAAAAGGAGGGCGTGGCAAGCTGCCGACTCGA
oAT47	AAGGGCGCAACACCGACAGCATGGATGACCCCCCAGGGCC
oAT48	AGTTCAACGAAGAGGACTTGCGATGAAAGTAAAGCTTGCAGCGATAATGCT TAA
oAT49	GGCGCCCTGGAATAATTCAAGTTCATATATGTATATCTCCTCTTACTTAAC
oAT50	ATACTAAGAT
oAT50	CTGCCGGAGGCCACACCGCCCTCGTCTCGCCGTGCTT
oAT51	CCTGGGGGGTCATCCACTGAATATATGAAGAATTAGA
oAT52	CTCGAATTGGATCCTTAATTAAATTGCTCTTATATCA
oAT53	GGAGATATACATATGGCGAAGCAAAAAATTAAAATTAAA
oAT54	AGACTCGAGGGTACCTCAGGGTGGTGGTGGCTCGAGTGCAGCGCAAGCTTG TCCGACTTATCCTGTCACT
oAT55	GGATCCGAATTGGCTCGAGCTCGC
oAT56	GGATGACCCCCCAGGGCC
oAT57	GGTACCCCTCGAGTCTGGT
oAT58	CATATGTATATCTCCTCTTATAC
oAT59	<u>ATTGTCGAC</u> ATTGAGATTGGATGACTGAATATATGAAGAAT
oAT60	<u>TAAGGATCCTTACTTGT</u> CGTCATCGTCTTGTAGTCATTAAATTGCTCTTATATCAAC TTTTTG
oAT61	TTACCAAGAACACACAGCATTATTTGCAATTATTGCGAAGAA
oAT62	ATTGCAAAAATAATGCTGTATGTGGGCTGGTAAATAGCCC
oAT63	TAAT <u>GAGCT</u> ACGGGAGGAAAGATGCTGTCGGTGTGCGCCC
oAT64	TAATT <u>CTAGATT</u> ACCTTCATCGCAAAGTCCTCTTC
oAT65	ACT <u>CTCGAG</u> AAAGGAGGTAAGAAAAATGAAGATTAGTAAGAGGCAC
oAT66	<u>ACTGGATCC</u> CTACTTCACAGAACAGGTTCACTGGT
oAT67	GGTAAACCCATCCTAGCCCA
oAT68	GGAGATCCCCAAGTAATCGTGGGCTAGAGATGATTAAATTACAGG
oAT69	GAGAGCACAGATACGGCTTCTAATATGTAACCTTCCAAATATAG
oAT70	TCCATTATGTTACGAGAACCTTC
oAT71	CACGATTACTTGGGATCTCC
oAT72	TCCTGCCTTCCCTCCCTCCCATGTATACCACCTGGCGC
oAT73	GAGGGAGGAAAGGCAGGA
oAT74	CGCCGTATCTGTGCTCTC
oAT75	ACCCGATAAGAGGTTCATCCG

* Underlined sequences are restriction sites introduced in primers.

Supplementary Table 5. Oligonucleotide primers used in this study (cont.)

Primer	Sequence (5'-3')*
oAT76	GCAGATGTATTGGTAACTCTCTCA
oAT77	TCCTGCCTTCCTCCCTCATAGTATCACCACTCTACTAGGATAC
oAT78	GAGAGCACAGATA CGCGCTAAGTTGACCGAGAATTGGAAA
oAT79	TCTCTGACTTGCTTGCTGAC
oAT80	GAGAGATTTGAGGGAAGATCACG
oAT81	ACT <u>CCTCGAGAAAGGAGGT</u> AAGAAAAATGAAGAATTAGAAGTATTTACGGTAT
oAT82	ACT <u>GGATCCTTAATTAAATTGTCTTCTTATATCAACTTTTT</u>
oAT83	ACT <u>CCTCGAGAAAGGAGGT</u> AAGAAAAATGAAAATTGAAAAGAACATCTTTGG
oAT84	ACT <u>GGATCCCTAACGACTTCTCTCAAAGGT</u>
oAT85	CCTTTGTCTTTCTATCGTATTGAAGA
oAT86	CTGTATGAGCTCTGGCAAATAACC
oAT87	CCACTATCACAAAGGTATTACAAACG
oAT88	GAACATTATTCAAGTAAGCGTTCAC

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