Interplay of cold shock protein E with an uncharacterized protein, YciF, lowers porin expression and enhances bile resistance in Salmonella Typhimurium

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Supplementary Methods

Semi-quantitative reverse transcription (RT)-PCR.RNA was isolated from the WT and $\triangle cspE$ strains grown in the presence or absence of 3% Bile Salts at 3 and 8hour time points and RNA was extracted using the TRIzol reagent (Invitrogen) as per the manufacturer's instructions. The succeeding protocol followed was as mentioned in the Materials and Methods section. The cDNA was diluted 1:10 and fractionated on an agarose gel (1). Expression levels of rrlC, cspC and acrB were analysed.

qRT-PCR experiments for mRNA stability: RNA extraction and rifampicin addition was performed as mentioned in Materials and Methods section. qRT-PCR was then performed as a readout for the relative abundance of the target gene transcripts. WT cells grown in LB, without any rifampicin treatment, and collected at 0 mins in accordance with other experimental sets, was normalised to 1 and all other transcript estimates was accordingly calculated.

Electrophoretic Mobility Shift Assays (EMSA). Electrophoretic mobility shift assays were conducted as previously described (2).Reaction mixtures contained 40 mM Tris-HCl (pH 8.6), 100mM NaCl, 12% glycerol, 4mM EDTA, 1nM ³²P-labeled substrate ssDNA, and 0.2, 1.6, 3, 10 μM of StCspE and StCspE^{F30V}. Reaction mixtures were incubated at 37 °C for 20 min and reactions terminated by the addition of a loading dye [0.1% (w/ v) bromophenol blue and xylene cyanol in 20% glycerol]. Samples were resolved on a 10% native PAGE in a 0.5× TAE buffer at 80 V and 4 °C. Gels were dried, and the bands were visualized using a Fuji FLA-9000 phosphorimager. The band intensities were quantified in a UVItech gel documentation system using UVI-Band Map software (version 97.04) and plotted using GraphPad Prism (version 5.0).

Supplementary Tables

Table S1 :: List of strains and plasmids

Strain	Genotype/features	Source or Reference
S. Typhimurium 14028s (WT)	Wild-type, parent of all Salmonella strains	(3)
$\Delta cspE$	14028s; <i>cspE</i> :: FRT	This study
ΔyciF	14028s; <i>yciF</i> :: FRT	This study
$\Delta cspE\Delta yciF$	14028s; <i>cspE</i> :: FRT , <i>yciF</i> :: FRT	This study
$\Delta cspC$	14028s; <i>cspC</i> :: FRT	This study
WT/VA	14028s; pTrc99A; Ap ^r	This study
ΔcspE/VA	ΔcspE; pTrc99A;Ap ^r	This study
WT/pcspE	14028s; pcspE; Ap ^r	This study
ΔcspE/pcspE	$\Delta cspE$; pcspE; Ap ^r	This study
WT/pyciF	14028s; pyciF; Ap ^r	This study
ΔcspE/pyciF	ΔcspE; pyciF; Ap ^r	This study
WT/pcspA	14028s; pcspA; Ap ^r	This study
ΔcspE/pcspA	ΔcspE; pcspA; Ap ^r	This study
WT/pcspE-F30V	14028s; pcspE-F30V; Ap ^r	This study
ΔcspE/pcspE-F30V	ΔcspE; pcspE-F30V; Ap ^r	This study
WT/pcspC++-SL1344	14028s; pcspC++-SL1344; Ap ^r	This study
ΔcspE/pcspC++-SL1344	ΔcspE ;pcspC++-SL1344; Ap ^r	This study
S. Typhimurium SL1344 (WT)	Wild-type, parent of all deletion strains in	(4)
	SL1344	
$\Delta cspE$	SL1344; cspE::FRT	This study
$\Delta cspC$	SL1344; cspC::FRT	This study
$\Delta cspE\Delta cspC$	SL1344; cspE:: FRT , cspC:: FRT	This study
$\Delta cspE\Delta cspC$	SL1344; cspE:: FRT , cspC:: FRT	This study

Plasmids	Genotype/features	Source or
		Reference
pKD46	Temperature sensitive λ-Red recombinase expression plasmid; Ap ^r	(5)
pKD4	Kanamycin resistance (kan)	(5)
pCP20	Temperature sensitive FLP recombinase expression plasmid; Ap ^r	(6)
pRS424	Ampicillin resistance (Ap ^r)	(7)
pTrc99A	Ampicillin resistance (Ap ^r)	(6)
pcspE	pRS424 derivative with promoter and cspE cloned between SpeI	This study
	and XhoI sites	
pcspE-F30V	pRS424 derivative with promoter and F30V mutant of cspE cloned	This study
	between SpeI and XhoI sites	
pyciF	pTrc99A derivative with yciF cloned between BamHI and EcoRI	This study
	sites	
pcspA	pTrc99A derivative with cspA cloned between BamHI and EcoRI	This study
	sites	
pcspC++-	pRS424 derivative with <i>cspC</i> operon with native promoter from <i>S</i> .	This study
SL1344	Typhimurium SL1344 cloned between SpeI and XhoI sites	

Table S2:: List of primers used for gene deletion and confirmation

PrimerName	OligonucleotideSequence 5'-3'
cspEdeletion pr	imers
cspE-KO-FP	CACAGCATTTGTGTCTATTTTTCATGTAAAGGTAATTTTGGTGTAGGCTGGAGCTGCTT
	C
cspE-KO-RP	CGAAAGGGCGGGTTTTGAAATCTTGCTGTCGGACGTATGCGGTCCATATGAATATCCT
	CCTTAG
yciFdeletion pri	mers
yciF-KO-FP	GGCTCGCAGTATTTTGCCCAGGAGAATTAGATTTGTGTAGGCTGGAGCTGCTTCG
yciF-KO-RP	CGGAATCATGCAAGCTGATAATTAAAAATACATGGTCCATATGAATATCCTCC
cspC deletion prin	mers
cspC-KO-FP	CACAGCATTTGTGTCTATTTTTCATGTAAAGGTAATTTTGGTGTAGGCTGGAGCTGCTT C
cspC-KO-RP	CGAAAGGGCGGGTTTTGAAATCTTGCTGTCGGACGTATGCGGTCCATATGAATATCCT CCTTAG
cspE deletion co	onfirmation primers
cspE-CON-FP	GATGGGGAAGGGTATGCTTCAG
cspE-CON-RP	GCGCTGCTGAATGTGCTG
yciFdeletion con	nfirmationprimers
yciF-CON-FP	CCGCAACGAGCTTCTGAAGCCGG
yciF-CON-RP	CGGCTGGCCATAGATTCAAGCATCG

Table S3:: Primers used for cloning cspE, yciFand cspA

Primer name	Oligonucleotide sequence 5'- 3'
p-cspE-pRS-FP	GGACTAGTTGGGGAAGGGTATGCTTCAGTTGTG
cspE-pRS-RP	CGCCTCGAGTCACTTGTCATCGTCATCCTTGTAATCCAGAGCAGTTACGTTTGCAGC GG
yciF-pTrc-FP	CCGGAATTCATGAATATCAAAACCGTTGAAGACC
yciF-pTrc-RP	CGCGGATCCTCACTTGTCATCGTCATCCTTGTAATCCTTGTCATCGTCATCCTTGTAA TCTTTCGATTTGCGTTCAGCACTTTTATTAA
cspA-pTrc-FP	CCGGAATTCATGTCCGGTAAAATGACTGGTATCG
cspA-pTrc-RP	CGCGGATCCTCACTTGTCATCGTCATCCTTGTAATCCAGGCTGGTTACGTTGCCAGC TGC
p-yobF-cspC- pRS-FP	GGACTAGTATGCTTACCGGGGCGCAAATGGC
cspC-pRS-RP	CGCCTCGAGTCACTTGTCATCGTCATCCTTGTAATCCATCC

Table S4:: Primers used for qRT-PCR

Primer Name	Oligonucleotide sequence 5'- 3'
rrlC-FP	GAGCGTTCTGTAAGCCTGTG
rrlC-RP	CGCAGTAACACCAAGTACGG
cspA-FP	AACGCTGATAAAGGCTTCGG
cspA-RP	TTACAGGCTGGTTACGTTGC
cspB-FP	GGGCTTTGGTTTCATTACGC
cspB-RP	TTGACCGCTGATGGACCTTT
cspC-FP	ATCCAAAGGTTTTGGCTTCA
cspC-RP	GTTAACAGCAGCCGGACCT
cspE-FP	GGATTCGGTTTCATTACTCCGG
cspE-RP	CGTTTGCAGCGGAAGGGCC
pagC-FP	TCTGTTGAGCCTGAAGGTATTC
pagC-RP	CGACGTTGAAGCCGTTTATTT
yciF-FP	CTTGAAGAAACCCAGGGTCA
yciF-RP	CGCGTACTTCGTTTTTCTCC
acrA-FP	CTTCCGGGTCGTACCGTTGC
acrA-RP	CGTGCGCAACGAACATTCC
acrB-FP	AAGTGCTGGATGAGGTCACG
acrB-RP	ACTCGAAGTCAAAGCCGGTT
tolC-FP	AACCGTAACCTGTCGCTGTT
tolC-RP	TGCGAGTTAACCATCCCACC
ompF-FP	GTGGACGGTCTCTTTCGG
ompF-RP	TCAGCATATACGGCAGCCAG
ompC-FP	GGTGGATGGTCTGGACTTCG
ompC-RP	TCTGAGAATACTGCGCTGCC
ompD-FP	TCGCGAATAAAACCCAGAAC
ompD-RP	CTTTAGCCGCTTTGGTGAAG
hfq-FP	CGGTCAGCCAGATGGTTTAT
hfq-RP	TCAGTCTCTTCGCTGTCCTG
uspA-FP	GTCTACCAACGCTGGCTACC
uspA-RP	GGCACAATCAGCATGTCAAC
rne-FP	CTTCCTTAACGCGCTGAAAC
rne-RP	GCGACGGTTACGACGATTAT
rpoE-FP	TGCGCTACCAGCATAAAGTG
rpoE-RP	GCCGCTTTCAAAGTTTTCTG

degP-FP	CTGGCTCTGAGTTTAGGTTTGG
degP-RP	GTATTCACCGTGGTGCTACCTT
PNPase-FP	GATGGCCGTGAAAAAGACAT
PNPase-RP	ACGGAGTACGGAGGGAAGTT
rybB-FP	GCCACTGCTTTTCTTTGATG
rybB-RP	AAACCCACCAACCTTGAACC

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SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURES

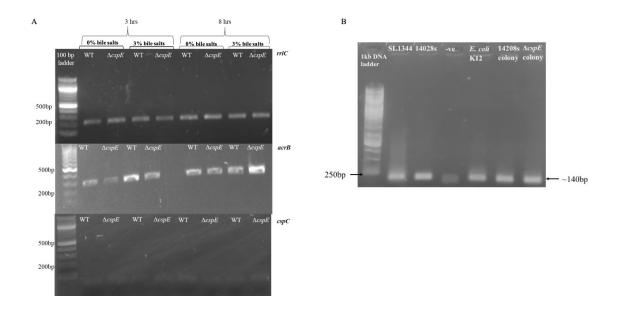


Fig S1. No detectable *cspC* transcript is observed in S. Typhimurium 14028s with or without bile salts treatment.

(A) Semi quantitative Reverse Transcriptase PCR was performed using *cspC* internal primers. *rrlC* internal primers was using as the loading control and *acrB* was used as the positive control. (B) Genomic DNA amplification of *cspC* using the internal primers for *cspC*.

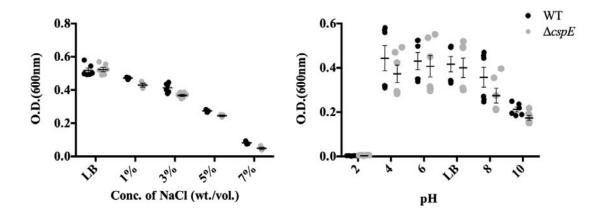
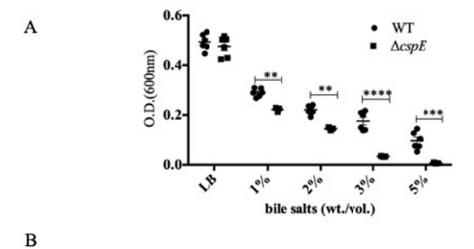


Fig S2.WT and $\triangle cspE$ doesn't show any growth difference in varying salt (NaCl) concentrations or pH.

(A) Effect of increasing concentrations of NaCl, (B) pH on WT and $\triangle cspE$ in LB. $5X10^6$ CFU/ml of WT and $\triangle cspE$ was used to inoculate the respective media conditions and grown at 37° C. O.D. (600nm) was acquired at the 8^{th} hr of growth, in a 96-well polystyrene microtitre plate. Data is presented as mean±SEM and is representative of three independent experiments. * p<0.05; ** p<0.01; **** p<0.001, ***** p<0.0001.



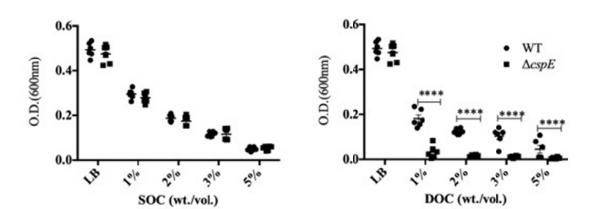


Fig S3. S. Typhimurium $\Delta cspE$ shows a dose dependant sensitivity to increasing concentrations of bile salts, specifically to deoxycholate.

(A) The effect of increasing concentrations of bile salts on WT and $\triangle cspE$ in LB media. (B) The effect of varying doses of the bile salts components on the growth of WT 14028s and $\triangle cspE$ namely, Sodium Cholate (SOC), Sodium Deoxycholate (DOC) was studied at the 8th hour time-point. Data is presented as mean±SEM and is representative of three independent experiments. * p<0.05; ** p<0.01; **** p<0.001; **** p<0.0001.

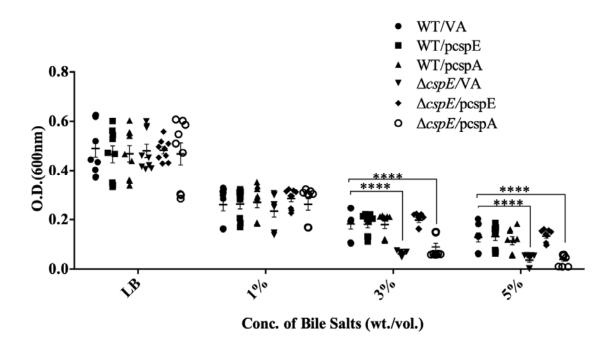


Fig S4. Bile sensitivity of S. Typhimurium $\Delta cspE$ is rescued by complementation of cspE but not cspA.

The effect of increasing concentrations of bile salts on WT/VA, $\triangle cspE/VA$, cspE complemented (WT/pcspE and $\triangle cspE/$ pcspE) and cspA complemented strains (WT/pcspA and $\triangle cspE/$ pcspA) in LB media was studied at the 8th hour time-point. Data is presented as mean±SEM and is representative of three independent experiments. * p<0.05; *** p<0.01; **** p<0.001; **** p<0.0001.

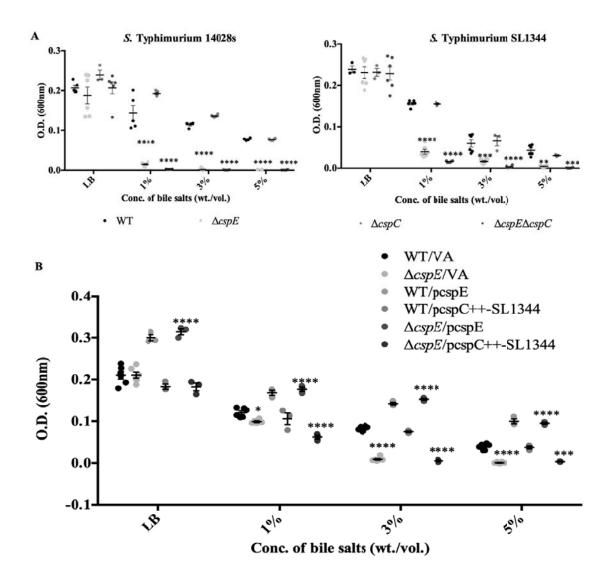


Fig S5. S. Typhimurium 14028s encoded cspC does not play a major role in bile resistance.

(A) The effect of increasing concentrations of bile salts on *wild type* and genetic deletion strains of *S*. Typhimurium 14028s and SL1344. The strains used were WT, $\triangle cspE$, $\triangle cspC$ and $\triangle cspE\triangle cspC$. (B) The effect of increasing concentrations of bile salts on WT/VA, $\triangle cspE$ /VA, cspE complemented from 14028s (WT/pcspE and $\triangle cspE$ /pcspE), cspC complemented with the entire operon of cspC from SL1344 (WT/pcspC++-SL1344 and $\triangle cspE$ /pcspC++-SL1344) in LB media was studied at the 8th hour time-point. Data is presented as mean±SEM and is representative of three independent experiments. * p<0.05; ** p<0.01; *** p<0.001; **** p<0.0001.

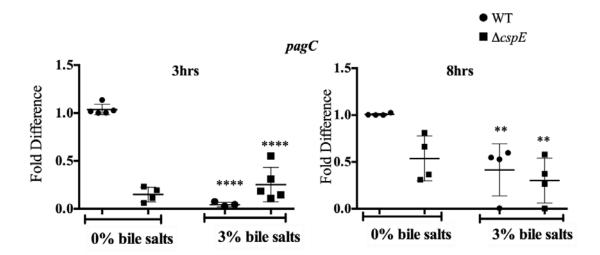


Fig S6. pagC is down-regulated in both WT and $\Delta cspE$, upon bile salts treatment.

The transcript levels of pagC was determined using qRT-PCR for the WT and $\Delta cspE$ strains, in the absence (0%) and presence (3%) of bile salts, at the 3rd and 8th hour of growth. In all panels, values are normalized by those obtained for the WT strain grown in 0% bile salts, at the indicated time point. Data is presented as mean±SEM and is representative of three independent experiments. * p<0.05; ** p<0.01; *** p<0.001; **** p<0.0001.

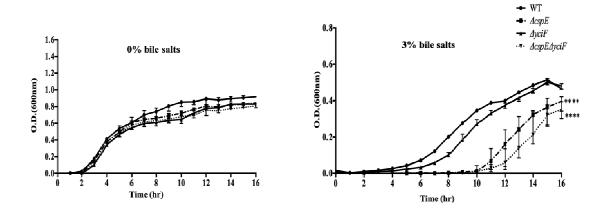


Fig S7. Deletion of *yciF* does not have any effect on the bile resistance of S. Typhimurium 14028s.

Kinetic growth analysis in terms of O.D. (600nm) of WT, $\triangle cspE$, $\triangle yciF$ and $\triangle cspE\triangle yciF$ strains in the absence (0%) and presence (3%) of bile salts. Data is presented as mean \pm SEM and representative of three independent experiments. * p<0.05; *** p<0.01; **** p<0.001; **** p<0.0001.

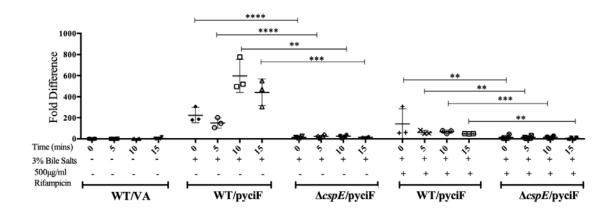


Fig S8. Quantitation of mRNA transcripts by qRT-PCR confirms the mRNA stabilisation property of CspE.

The yciF mRNA stability was determined in terms of the relative amounts of its transcript levels, by qRT-PCR, in the yciF over-expressing strains (WT/pyciF and $\Delta cspE$ /pyciF), using 500µg/ml Rifampicin, added at the end of the 8th of growth. mRNA levels in the untreated WT/VA collected at 0 mins, was normalised to 1. All other samples were calculated as fold-change to this reference value. Data is presented as mean±SEM and is representative of three independent experiments. * p<0.05; *** p<0.01; **** p<0.001; **** p<0.0001.

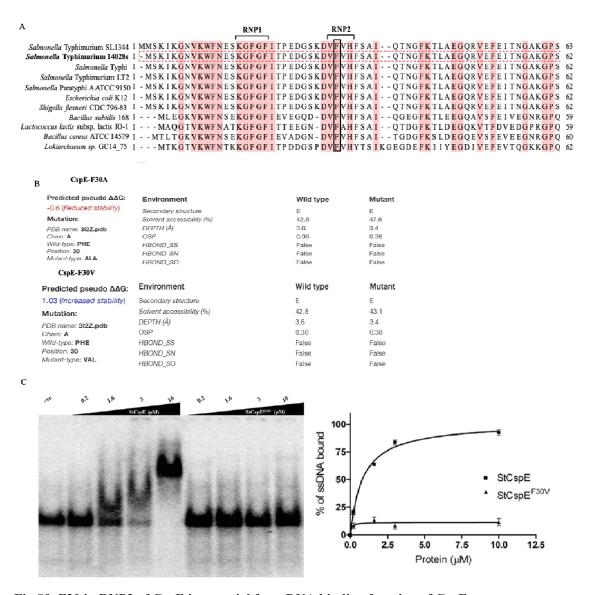
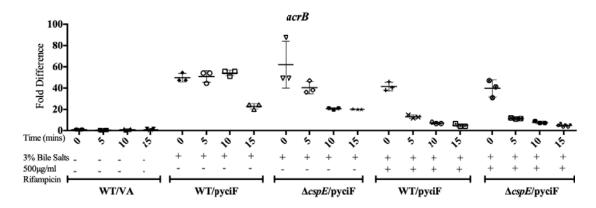


Fig S9. F30 in RNP2 of CspE is essential for ssDNA binding function of CspE.

(A) ClustalW was used to align the CspE sequences from several species within the eubacterial domain. Accession Nos for sequences in MSA: *S.* Typhimurium SL1344 (A0A0H3N9E2_SALTS); *S.* Typhimurium 14028s (A0A0F6AYC2_SALT1); *S.* Typhi (Q8XGU4_SALTI); *S.* Typhimurium LT2 (Q7CQZ5_SALTY); *S.* Paratyphi A ATCC 9150 (A0A0H2WQN8_SALPA); *E. coli* K12 (CSPE_ECOLI); *Shigella flexneri* CDC 796-8 (E7TCU3_SHIFL); *Bacillus subtilis* 168 (P32081|CSPB_BACSU); *Lactococcus lactis* subsp. lactis IO-1 (H5SWC0_LACLL); *Bacillus cereus* ATCC 14579 (CSPE_BACCR); *Lokiarchaeum sp.* GC14_75 (A0A0F8VY40_9ARCH). (B) The software Site Directed Mutator was used for the prediction of the F30V mutation, that indicates a stabilizing effect on the secondary structure (http://marid.bioc.cam.ac.uk/sdm2/prediction). (C)EMSA was performed with ³²P labeled substrate ssDNA at 1 nM in the absence or presence of 0.2, 1.6, 3 and 10μM of StCspE and StCspE^{F30V}. Binding of StCSpE and StCspE^{F30V} to nucleic acid substrate containing a single CCAT site. The filled triangle represents increasing concentrations of purified proteins. Graphical representation of complex formation by StCspE and StCspE^{F30V}, as a function of protein concentration. Data is presented as mean±SEM and representative of three independent

experiments. The best fit curve was obtained by subjecting the data to non-linear regression analysis in GraphPad Prism (version 5), using the equation for one site specific binding with a Hill slope.





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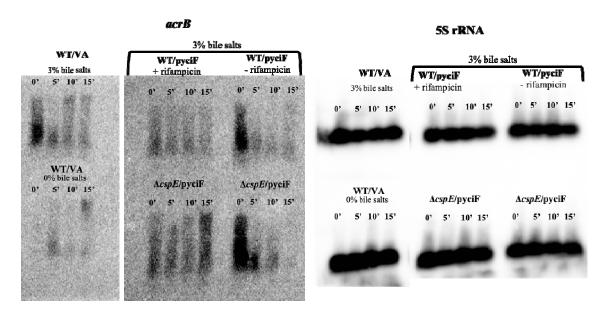


Fig S10. acrB is induced by bile but is not regulated by CspE.

(A) qRT-PCR quantitation of acrB mRNA. rrlC was used as the house-keeping normalization control. (B) The acrB mRNA stability was determined in terms of the relative amounts of its transcript levels. The relative mRNA levels of acrB were determined upon bile treatment in the presence of absence of rifampicin, in WT/pyciF and $\Delta cspE$ /pyciF. 5S rRNA was used as the loading control.

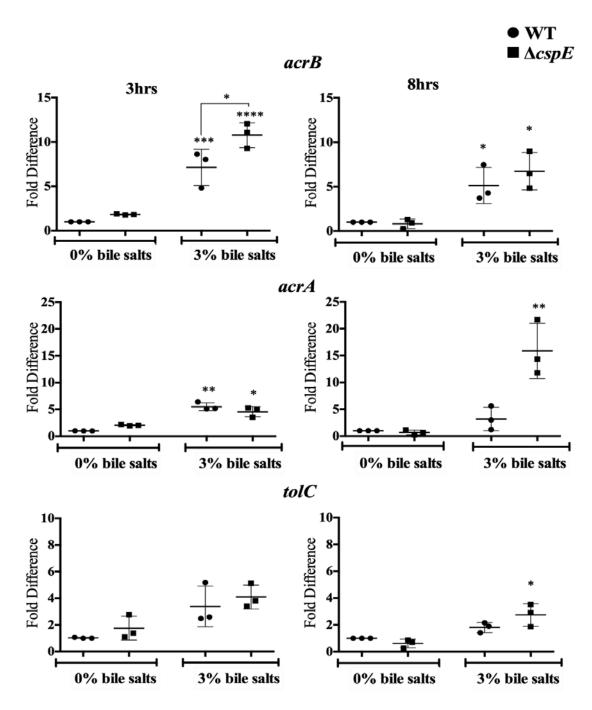


Fig S11. The major efflux pump AcrAB-TolC components do not show any differential expression between bile salts-treated WT and $\Delta cspE$.

Transcript levels of *acrB*, *acrA* and *tolC* were using qRT-PCR for the WT and $\Delta cspE$ strains in the absence (0%) or presence (3%) of bile salts, at the 3rd and 8th hour of growth. In all panels, values are normalized by those obtained for the WT strain grown in 0% bile salts, at the indicated time point. Data is presented as mean±SEM and representative of three independent experiments. * p<0.05; *** p<0.01; **** p<0.001; **** p<0.001.

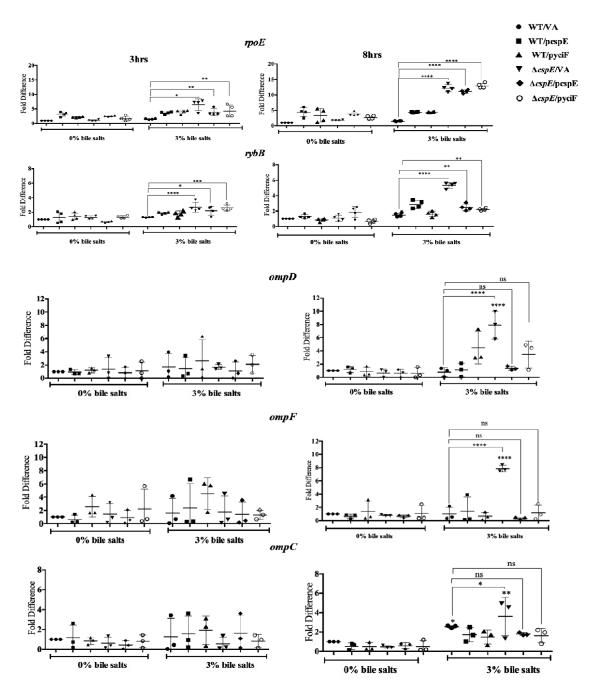
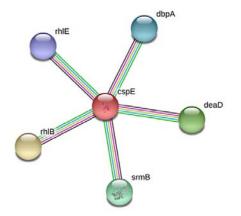
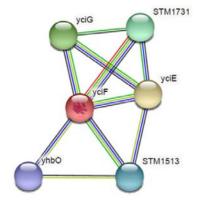


Fig S12. Complementation of cspE and over-expression of yciF rescues perturbed transcript levels of ESR components and porins, in bile salts-treated $\Delta cspE$.

Transcript levels of rpoE, rybB and OMPs (ompD, ompF, ompC) were determined using qRT-PCR for the WT/VA, $\Delta cspE$ /VA, cspE complemented strains (WT/pcspE and $\Delta cspE$ /pcspE), and yciF overexpression (WT/pyciF and $\Delta cspE$ /pyciF) strains, with (3%) or without (0%) pre-treatment of bile salts, at the 3 and 8 hour of growth. In all panels, values are normalized by those obtained for the WT strain grown in 0% bile salts, at the indicated time point. Data is presented as mean±SEM and representative of three independent experiments. * p<0.05; *** p<0.01; **** p<0.001; **** p<0.0001.



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srmB	ATP-dependent RNA helicase SmB; DEAD-box RNA helicase involved in the assembly of the 50S ribosomal subunit at low temperature. Exhibits RNA-stimulated ATP hydrolysis and RNA unwinding activity
dbpA	ATP-dependent RNA helicase DbpA; DEAD-box RNA helicase involved in the assembly of the 50S ribosomal subunit. Has an RNA-dependent ATPase activity, which is specific for 23S rRNA, and a 3' to 5' RNA helicase activity that uses the energy of ATP hydrolysis to destabilize and unwind short rRNA duplexes.
rhlE	ATP-dependent RNA helicase RhIE; DEAD-box RNA helicase involved in ribosome assembly. Has RNA-dependent ATPase activity and unwinds double-stranded RNA
rhlB	ATP-dependent RNA helicase RhlB; DEAD-box RNA helicase involved in RNA degradation. Has RNA-dependent ATPase activity and unwinds double-stranded RNA
deaD	ATP-dependent RNA helicase DeaD; DEAD-box RNA helicase involved in various cellular processes at low temperature, including ribosome biogenesis, mRNA degradation and translation initiation.



yciE	Cytoplasmic protein (168 aa)
yciG	Cytoplasmic protein (60 aa)
STM1731	Catalase (292 aa)
STM1513	Hypothetical protein (60 aa)
yhb0	Intracellular proteinase (172 aa)

Fig S13. Many RNA helicases and degradation related protein constitute the CspE interaction network.

S. Typhimurium LT2 was used as the query organism to generate a protein-protein interaction network of CspE and YciF, using the available software STRING. Interactions were established using data available from KEGG Pathways, PFAM Protein Domains and INTERPRO Protein Domains and Features databases.