

1 **Supplemental Material**

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Table S1. MIC values of antibiotics against bacterial strains used in this study

| Strains | MIC (mg/L) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|------------|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|------|------|--------|----------|-----|------|-----|------|
| | CST | TGC | IPM | MEM | ETP | CMZ | CAZ | CTX | FEP | TZP | SCF | CZA | ATM | CIP | AMK |
| <i>K. pneumoniae</i> Y4 | 0.25 | 1 | >128 | >128 | >128 | >128 | 64 | >128 | >256 | >256/4 | >256/128 | 4/4 | >128 | >32 | >256 |
| <i>K. pneumoniae</i> Y4- Δ mgrB | 16 | 1 | 64 | >128 | >128 | >128 | 64 | >128 | >256 | >256/4 | >256/128 | 4/4 | >128 | >32 | >256 |
| <i>K. pneumoniae</i> Y17 | 64 | 8 | 64 | 64 | >128 | 128 | 32 | >128 | >256 | >256/4 | >256/128 | 2/4 | >128 | >32 | >256 |
| <i>K. pneumoniae</i> Y17- Δ tetA | 64 | 2 | 64 | 128 | >128 | 128 | 32 | >128 | >256 | >256/4 | >256/128 | 2/4 | >128 | >32 | >256 |
| <i>K. pneumoniae</i> Y17- Δ ramR | 64 | 64 | 64 | >128 | >128 | >128 | 32 | >128 | >256 | >256/4 | >256/128 | 2/4 | >128 | >32 | >256 |

3 CST, colistin; TGC, Tigecycline; IPM, Imipenem; MEM, Meropenem; ETP, Ertapenem; CMZ, Cefmetazole; CAZ, Ceftazidime; CTX, Cefotaxime; FEP, Cefepime;
4 TZP, Piperacillin-tazobactam; SCF, Cefoperazone-sulbactam; CZA, Ceftazidime-avibactam; ATM, Aztreonam; CIP, Ciprofloxacin; AMK, Amikacin.

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13 **Table S2.** Relative fold change in gene expression level of the RND efflux pumps and their transcriptional regulators in bacterial strains used
14 in this study

| Strains | $\Delta\Delta Cq$ Expression (mean \pm StdDev) | | | | | | | |
|--|---|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | <i>acrA</i> | <i>acrB</i> | <i>oqxA</i> | <i>oqxB</i> | <i>ramA</i> | <i>rarA</i> | <i>marA</i> | <i>soxS</i> |
| <i>K. pneumoniae</i> Y17 | 1.571 \pm 0.266 | 1.645 \pm 0.143 | 0.083 \pm 0.007 | 2.045 \pm 0.278 | 0.880 \pm 0.037 | 0.005 \pm 0.000 | 0.462 \pm 0.030 | 8.741 \pm 0.638 |
| <i>K. pneumoniae</i> Y17- Δ ramR | 7.982 \pm 0.431 | 10.559 \pm 1.145 | 0.780 \pm 0.011 | 3.535 \pm 0.498 | 46.886 \pm 5.945 | 0.004 \pm 0.000 | 0.246 \pm 0.010 | 2.392 \pm 0.104 |
| <i>K. pneumoniae</i> Y17- Δ tetA | 1.183 \pm 0.018 | 1.400 \pm 0.222 | 0.101 \pm 0.016 | 1.844 \pm 0.175 | 0.553 \pm 0.047 | 0.013 \pm 0.001 | 0.289 \pm 0.019 | 3.512 \pm 0.132 |

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Table S3. Strains and Plasmids used in this study.

| Strain or Plasmid | Description or genotype | Reference |
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| <i>E. coli</i> DH5alpha | F- Φ 80lacZ Δ M15 Δ (lacZYA-argF) U169 recA1 endA1 hsdR17 (rK-, mK+) phoA supE44 λ - thi-1 gyrA96 relA1 | Lab Stock |
| <i>K. pneumoniae</i> Y4 | Wild-type clinically isolated <i>K. pneumoniae</i> strain Y4 | ¹ |
| <i>K. pneumoniae</i> Y4- Δ mgrB | <i>K. pneumoniae</i> Y4 Δ mgrB | This Study |
| <i>K. pneumoniae</i> Y17 | Wild-type clinically isolated <i>K. pneumoniae</i> strain Y17 | ¹ |
| <i>K. pneumoniae</i> Y17- Δ ramR | <i>K. pneumoniae</i> Y17 Δ ramR | This Study |
| <i>K. pneumoniae</i> Y17- Δ tetA | <i>K. pneumoniae</i> Y17 tetA W301 mutation to stop codon | This Study |
| pCasKP-apr | Thermosensitive plasmid expresses Cas9 and lambda Red proteins in <i>K. pneumoniae</i> (Apr ^r) | ² |
| pSGKP-spe | Plasmid expressing sgRNA in <i>K. pneumoniae</i> (Spe ^r) | ² |
| pSGKP-spe_mgrB | pSGKP-spe derivative with mgrB spacer | This Study |
| pSGKP-spe_ramR | pSGKP-spe derivative with ramR spacer | This Study |
| pBECKP-spe | <i>K. pneumoniae</i> base editing vector (Spe ^r) | ² |
| pBECKP-spe_tetA | pBECKP-spe derivative with tetA spacer | This Study |

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Table S4. Primers used in this study.

| Gene | Primer | Sequence(5'~3') | Purpose |
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| <i>mgrB</i> gene deletion in the <i>K. pneumoniae</i> Y4 strain | mgrB-spacer-F | tagtGCTTAACGTAATGTGCGACC | <i>mgrB</i> spacer for gene deletion |
| | mgrB-spacer-R | aaacGGTCGCACATTACGTTAACG | <i>mgrB</i> spacer for gene deletion |
| | mgrB-seq-F | TAACCGCTCAATAATACGCC | amplification of <i>mgrB</i> locus from genome and sequencing of <i>mgrB</i> locus |
| | mgrB-seq-R | GCTCAGCCACATCCTCTTTC | amplification of <i>mgrB</i> locus from genome |
| | mgrB-ssDNA | GGCCGTGCTATCCTGGCGACATTGCGTACTGATGCGGAGAGTGGAT AAGACATTCTGCCGACTGATTCCCTCTGCGCCGCCGGTGG | 90 nt <i>mgrB</i> repair template for gene deletion |
| <i>ramR</i> gene deletion in the <i>K. pneumoniae</i> Y17 strain | ramR-spacer-F | tagtAAGAGAACGCGCGCAATATC | <i>ramR</i> spacer for gene deletion |
| | ramR-spacer-R | aaacGATATTGCGCGCGTTCTCTT | <i>ramR</i> spacer for gene deletion |
| | ramR-seq-F | GTTGCTGCTGCGAGTAACAT | amplification of <i>ramR</i> locus from genome and sequencing of <i>ramR</i> locus |
| | ramR-seq-R | TTCGGTAAACGGGTAGGTCA | amplification of <i>ramR</i> locus from genome |
| | ramR-ssDNA | GTGGCTCGTCAAAGAGTGAAGATAAAAAGCAAGCGTTACTGGAA AGAGCTTCCGGAGCTAACGAAATGTGCCAGCTGTCGGTGAAAG | 90 nt <i>ramR</i> repair template for gene deletion |
| <i>tetA</i> gene W301 to stop in the <i>K. pneumoniae</i> Y17 strain | tetA-spacer-F | tagtCATCCATCCCCGTGTCGCGA | <i>tetA</i> spacer for its W301 mutation to stop codon |
| | tetA-spacer-R | aaacTCGCGACACGGGGATGGATG | <i>tetA</i> spacer for its W301 mutation to stop codon |
| | tetA-seq-F | CCAACAGACCCCTGATCGTA | amplification of <i>tetA</i> locus from genome and sequencing of <i>tetA</i> locus |
| | tetA-seq-R | GGCAGGGCAGAGCAAGTAGAG | amplification of <i>tetA</i> locus from genome |

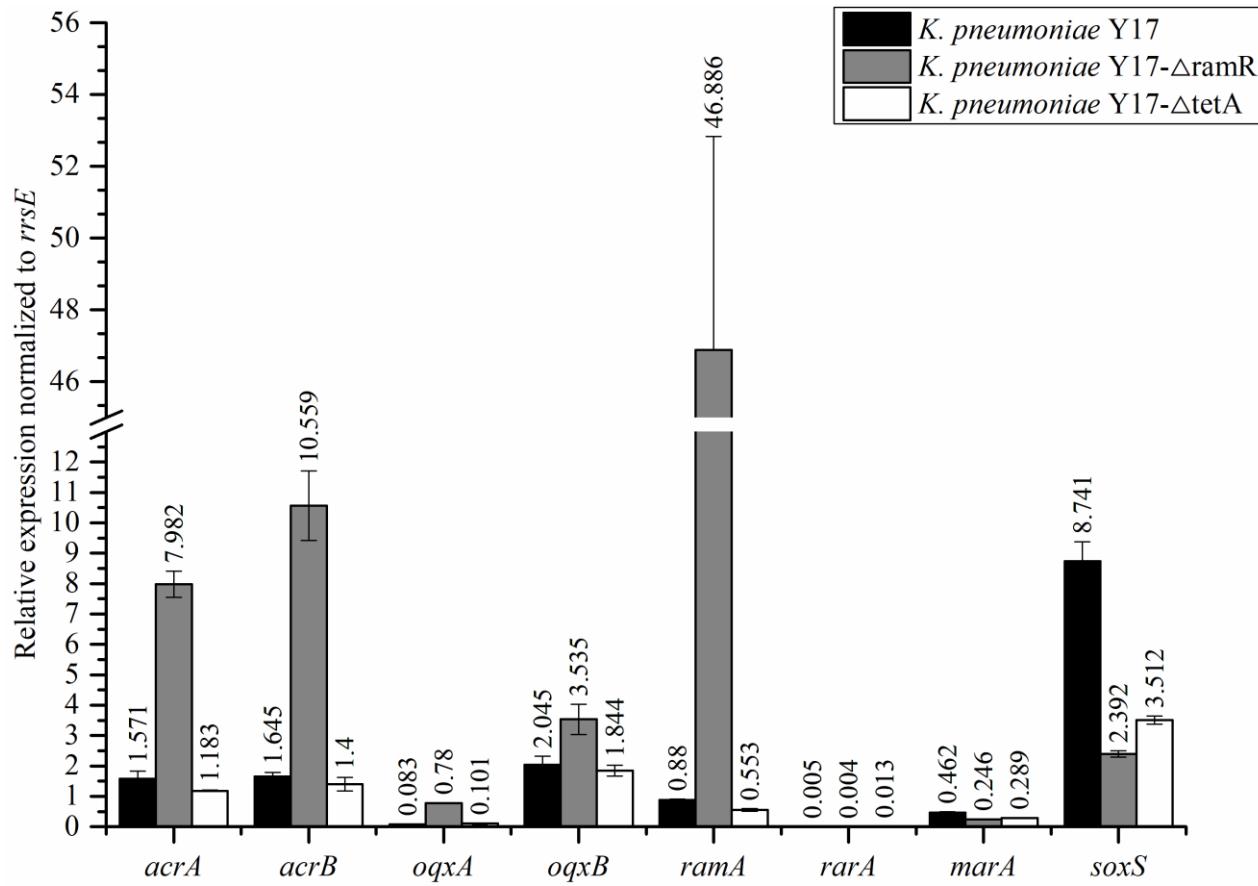


Figure S1. Relative fold change in gene expression level of the RND efflux pumps and their transcriptional regulators in bacterial strains used in this study.

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