



Figure S3. Deletion strain virulence in mice. **A)** Groups of five 6-8 week old C57Bl/6 mice were infected intranasally with 5×10^4 cells. Progression to severe morbidity was monitored for 35 days and mice were sacrificed when endpoint criteria were reached. Strains were tested in two separate experiments, E1 or E2, respectively. The deletions strains were compared against the KN99 α strain in the same experiment. **B)** Groups of four 6-8 week old C57Bl/6 mice were infected intranasally with 1×10^3 cells. Mice were sacrificed at 7 days post infection, lungs homogenized in 4 ml of PBS, and serial dilutions plated on YPD with cholamphenicol medium. Colony forming units were enumerated at 48 hours.