

Supplemental Material

The sRNA PinT Contributes to PhoP-mediated regulation of the SPI1 T3SS in *Salmonella enterica* serovar Typhimurium

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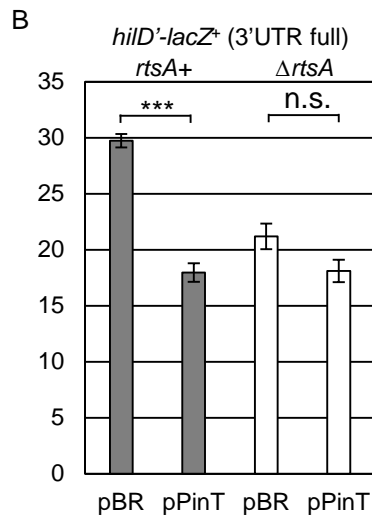
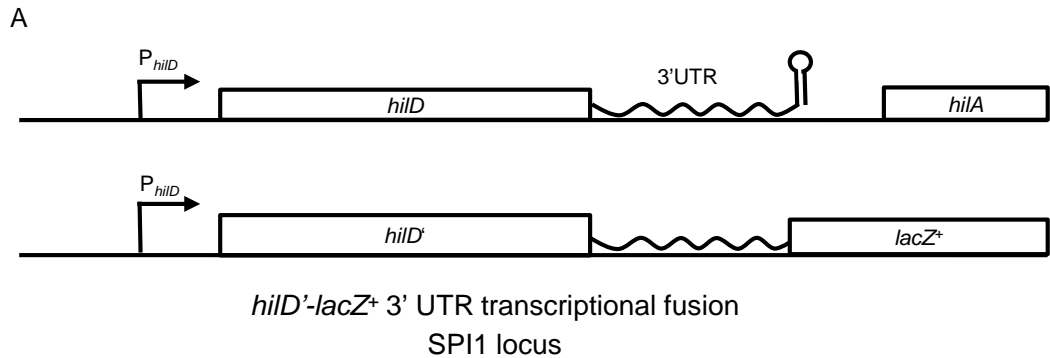


Figure S1. PinT does not affect *hilD* expression through the 3' UTR.

A. Schematic representation of the *hilD*'-*lacZ*⁺ 3'UTR fusion. The *lacZ* gene is integrated just upstream of the *hilD* mRNA terminator. This is associated with a deletion that removes through *hilA*. B. β -galactosidase activity in *Salmonella* strains containing the *hilD*'-*lacZ*⁺ transcriptional fusion in either *rtsA*⁺ (grey) or Δ *rtsA* (white) and either the empty vector or plasmids overexpressing PinT grown in SPI1 inducing conditions. β -galactosidase activity units are defined as (μ mol of ONP formed min^{-1}) $\times 10^6 / (\text{OD}_{600} \times \text{ml of cell suspension})$ and are reported as mean \pm standard deviation where $n = 3$. *P* values (unpaired *t* test) are indicated as follows: *, *P* < 0.05; **, *P* < 0.01; ***, *P* < 0.001. Strains used: JS2351 and JS2352, each with plasmid pBRplac or pPinT.

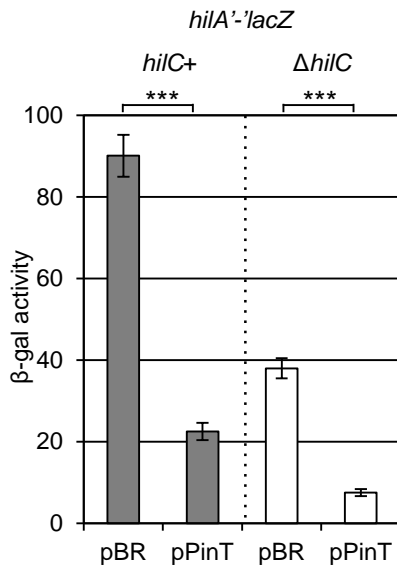


Figure S2. PinT represses *hilA* translation independent of HilC.

β-galactosidase activity in *Salmonella* strains containing the *hilA*'-*lacZ* translational fusion in either *hilC*⁺ (grey) or Δ*hilC* (white) and either the empty vector or plasmids overexpressing PinT grown in SPI1 inducing conditions. β-galactosidase activities are reported as mean ± standard deviation where n = 3. P values (unpaired *t* test) are indicated as follows: *, P < 0.05; **, P < 0.01; ***, P < 0.001. Strains used: JS2333 and JS2353, each with plasmid pBRplac or pPinT.

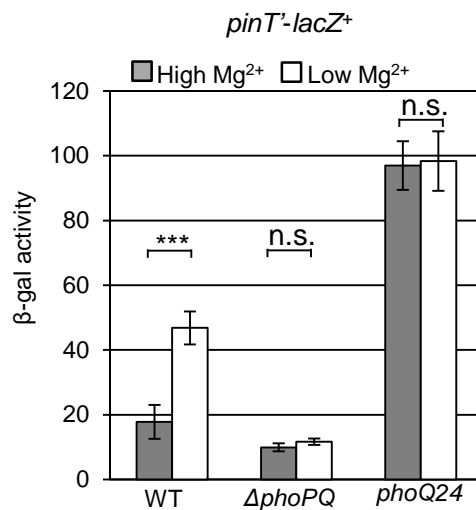


Figure S3. The PhoPQ two-component system activates the expression of PinT. β -galactosidase activity in *Salmonella* strains containing the *pinT'-lacZ*⁺ transcriptional fusion in either wild type or the indicated mutant background. The strains were grown in either PhoPQ-noninducing (10 mM Mg²⁺) or -inducing conditions (10 μ M Mg²⁺) in N-minimal medium. β -galactosidase activities are reported as mean \pm standard deviation where n = 3. *P* values (unpaired *t* test) are indicated as follows: *, *P* < 0.05; **, *P* < 0.01; ***, *P* < 0.001. Strains used: JS2355, JS2357 and JS2356.

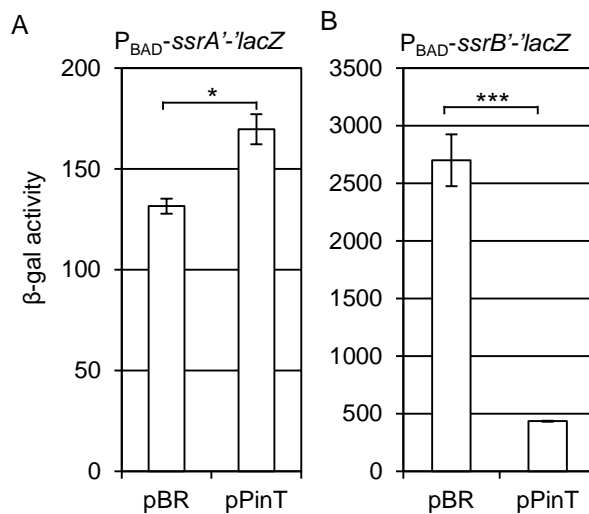


Figure S4. PinT directly regulates the expression of SPI2 T3SS through repressing *ssrB* translation.

β -galactosidase activity in *E. coli* strains containing (A) $P_{BAD-ssrA'}$ - $lacZ$ or (B) $P_{BAD-ssrB'}$ - $lacZ$ translational fusion and plasmids overexpressing PinT grown in the presence of 100 μ M IPTG and 0.001% arabinose to induce the sRNA expression and the fusion *lacZ* protein expression, respectively. β -galactosidase activities are reported as mean \pm standard deviation where $n = 3$. *P* values (unpaired *t* test) are indicated as follows: *, $P < 0.05$; **, $P < 0.01$; ***, $P < 0.001$. Strains used: JMS6508 and JMS6509, each with plasmid pBRplac or pPinT.

Table S1. Conservation of genes in the tRNA-PheR island in representative *Salmonella*.

| Serovar/ Strain | % identity ^a to indicated <i>S. Typhimurium</i> 14028 gene | | | | | | |
|------------------------|---|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|------|----------------|
| | PhoN STM14_5 193 | RtsA STM14_5 188 | RtsB STM14_5 187 | RtsC STM14 _5186 | RtsD STM14 _5185 | PinT | STM14 _5184 |
| Typhimurium LT2 | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Enteritidis BAA-708 | 98% | 99% | 99% | Pseudogene | Pseudogene | 100% | 100% |
| Gallinarum 9184 | 98% | 99% | 97% | Pseudogene | Pseudogene | --- | 99% |
| Typhi TY2 | 95% | 100% | 100% | Pseudogene | In frame insertion (61%) | 100% | 99% |
| Bongori SA19983605 | --- | 77% | 94% | --- | --- | --- | --- |

^aIdentity is denoted at the amino acid level for ORFS and at the nucleotide level for PinT.

Table S2. Bacterial strains and plasmids used in this study.

| <i>Salmonella</i> ^a or <i>E. coli</i> strain | Genotype | Deletion endpoint ^b | Source or reference |
|---|---|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| <i>Salmonella</i> | | | |
| 14028 | Wild type | | ATCC ^c |
| PM1205 | MG1655 <i>mal::lacI^q</i> , Δ <i>araBAD</i> <i>araC</i> ⁺ , <i>lacI</i> :: <i>P_{BAD}-cat-sacB:lacZ</i> , <i>miniλtet^R</i> | | (1) |
| JS2333 | ϕ (<i>hilA</i> '-' <i>lacZ</i>) <i>hyb116</i> | 3040173 - 3038966 | |
| JS892 | ϕ (<i>hilD</i> '-' <i>lacZ</i>) <i>hyb139</i> | | (2) |
| JS2334 | ϕ (<i>rtsA</i> '-' <i>lacZ</i>) <i>hyb6</i> | 4573742 - 4574496 | |
| JS248 | Δ <i>rtsA5</i> | 4561755–4560884 | (3) |
| JS2117 | <i>rne131::Cm</i> | | (4) |
| JS2335 | ϕ (<i>hilA</i> '-' <i>lacZ</i>) <i>hyb116 rne131::Cm</i> | | |
| JS2336 | ϕ (<i>rtsA</i> '-' <i>lacZ</i>) <i>hyb6 rne131::Cm</i> | | |
| JS2337 | ϕ (<i>hilA</i> '-' <i>lacZ</i>) <i>hyb116 ΔrtsA5</i> | | |
| JS2338 | ϕ (<i>hilA</i> '-' <i>lacZ</i>) <i>hyb116 ΔrtsA5 rne131::Cm</i> | | |
| JS325 | ϕ (<i>rtsB</i> '-' <i>lacZ</i> ⁺)6 | | (3) |
| JS2339 | ϕ (<i>rtsB</i> '-' <i>lacZ</i> ⁺)6 <i>rne131::Cm</i> | | |
| JS542 | <i>phoQ24</i> | | (5) |
| JS2192 | <i>phoQ24 ycfD612::Cm</i> | | (6) |
| JS2340 | Δ <i>pinT::tet</i> | 4572735 - 4572805 | |
| JS2341 | ϕ (<i>hilA</i> '-' <i>lacZ</i>) <i>hyb116 ΔpinT::tet</i> | | |
| JS2342 | ϕ (<i>hilA</i> '-' <i>lacZ</i>) <i>hyb116 phoQ24 ycfD612::Cm</i> | | |
| JS2343 | ϕ (<i>hilA</i> '-' <i>lacZ</i>) <i>hyb116 ΔpinT::tet phoQ24 ycfD612::Cm</i> | | |

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|--------|---|-------------------|-----|
| JS2344 | $\phi(rtsA'-'lacZ)hyb6 \Delta pinT::tet$ | | |
| JS2345 | $\phi(rtsA'-'lacZ)hyb6 phoQ24 ycfD612::Cm$ | | |
| JS2346 | $\phi(rtsA'-'lacZ)hyb6 \Delta pinT::tet phoQ24 ycfD612::Cm$ | | |
| TH4054 | LT2 <i>flhC5456::MudJ</i> | | (7) |
| JS2347 | 14028 <i>flhC5456::MudJ</i> | | |
| JS2348 | $\Delta crp101::Cm$ | 3629505 - 3630136 | |
| JS2349 | 14028 <i>flhC5456::MudJ \Delta crp::Cm</i> | | |
| JS696 | $\phi(fliZ'-'lacZ^+)8042$ | 1759979 - 1759907 | (8) |
| JS746 | <i>fliZ8041::tet</i> | 2044136 - 2044684 | (8) |
| JS2350 | $\phi(hilA'-'lacZ)hyb116 fliZ8041::tet$ | | |
| JS2351 | $\phi(hilD3'UTR-'lacZ^+)116$ | 3039273 - 3041759 | |
| JS2352 | $\phi(hilD-'lacZ^+)3'UTR ArtsA5$ | | |
| JS252 | $\Delta hilC113::Cm$ | 3012135 - 3012976 | (3) |
| JS2353 | $\phi(hilA'-'lacZ)hyb116 \Delta hilC113::Cm$ | | |
| JS2354 | $\Delta pinT2::Cm$ | 4572745 - 4572805 | |
| JS2355 | $\phi(pinT2'-'lacZ^+)$ | | |
| JS1068 | $\Delta phoPQ::cm$ | 1317242 - 1319310 | (9) |
| JS2356 | $\phi(pinT'-'lacZ^+) phoQ24 ycfD612::Cm$ | | |
| JS2357 | $\phi(pinT'-'lacZ^+) \Delta phoPQ::cm$ | | |
| JS749 | <i>attλ::pDX1::hilA'-'lacZ^+</i> | | (8) |
| JS2358 | <i>attλ::pDX1::hilA'-'lacZ^+ \Delta pinT::Cm</i> | | |
| JS2359 | <i>attλ::pDX1::hilA'-'lacZ^+ \Delta spi1-2916::FRT</i> | | |

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|----------------|---|--|------------------|
| JS2360 | <i>attλ::pDXI::hilA'-lacZ⁺ Δspi1-2916::FRT ΔpinT::Cm</i> | | |
| <i>E. coli</i> | | | |
| JMS6503 | PM1205 <i>lacI'::P_{BAD}-hilC'-lacZ</i> | | (4) |
| JMS6504 | PM1205 <i>lacI'::P_{BAD}-rtsA'-lacZ</i> | | (4) |
| JMS6505 | PM1205 <i>lacI'::P_{BAD}-hilA'-lacZ</i> | | (4) |
| JMS6506 | PM1205 <i>lacI'::P_{BAD}-hilAmt1'-lacZ</i> | | |
| JMS6507 | PM1205 <i>lacI'::P_{BAD}-rtsAmt2'-lacZ</i> | | |
| JMS6508 | PM1205 <i>lacI'::P_{BAD}-ssrA'-lacZ</i> | | |
| JMS6509 | PM1205 <i>lacI'::P_{BAD}-ssrB'-lacZ</i> | | |
| Plasmid | Relevant Features | | Reference |
| pBRplac | Amp ^R , <i>plac</i> promoter based expression vector | | (10) |
| pPinT | AatII-EcoRI pinT(<i>Salmonella</i>) containing fragment cloned into pBRplac | | |
| pPinT-mt1 | G7C, G8C, A9T, T10A, T11A, A12T site directed mutation in pPinT | | |
| pPinT-mt2 | G19T, G20T, T21A, G22C, T23A site directed mutation in pPinT | | |

a All *Salmonella* strains are isogenic derivatives of *S. enterica* serovar Typhimurium strain 14028.

b Numbers indicate the base pairs that are deleted (inclusive) as defined in the *S. enterica* serovar Typhimurium 14028 genome sequence (National Center for Biotechnology Information).

c ATCC, American Type Culture Collection.

Table S3. Primers used in this study.

| Name | Primer Sequence |
|-----------------------------|--|
| F-AatII-PinT | 5'GATCGACGTC AGTAACGGATTACTTTGTGGTGTAG3' |
| R-EcoRI-PinT | 5'GATCGAATTC TGTTAATTATTACAGAGAGAGTTAATTTAT3' |
| mt1-PinT-F | 5'GACGTCAGTAACCCTAATCTTTGTGGTGTAGCGTAACGGTAATTGTCCTCC3' |
| mt1-PinT-R | 5'GGAGGACAATTACCGTTACGCTACACCACAAAGATTAGGGTTACTGACGTC3' |
| mt2-PinT-F | 5'GACGTCAGTAACGGATTACTTTGTTTACAAGCGTAACGGTAATTGTCCTCC3' |
| mt2-PinT-R | 5'GAGGACAATTACCGTTACGCTTGTAACAAAGTAATCCGTTACTGACGTC3' |
| F-hilA'-lacZ E. coli | 5'ACGCTTTTTATCGCAACTCTCTACTGTTTCTCCATAAACTAATCTCTATTGCAAT GAGG3' |
| R-hilAmt1'- lacZ E. coli | 5'GTTTTCCAGTCACGACGTTGTAAAACGACCGATACAGGAACACCTAATAAATG TGGCAT3' |
| F-rtsA'-lacZ E. coli | 5'TTTTATCGCAACTCTCTACTGTTTCTCCATAGAAATGCAATATAAAATAGCATT TCCAT3' |
| R-rtsAmt2'- lacZ E. coli | 5'CCCAGTCACGACGTTGTAAAACGACGACAGGTGAGGGATTAATACTTTTAGCA TGATAATTCCTTTTATTACCACAGC3' |
| KO-pinT-TC-F | 5'CATTGTTGGGGATATTTATGTTTTACTTACCTCAGTAACGGAT CCCTCTGGGTTATCA3' |
| KO-pinT-TC-R | 5'TGTTAATTATTACAGAGAGAGTTAATTTATAAAAAAAGC TAGGTGGGTACGTTGGAGCC3' |
| KO-crp-F | 5'ATGGTGCTTGGCAAACCGCAAACAGACCCGACTCTTGAATGGTTC TGTAGGCTGGAGCTG3' |
| KO-crp-R | 5'TTAACGGGTGCCGTAGACGACGATGGTCTTGCC CATATGAATATCCTC3' |
| KO-hilD3-F | 5'TGCCTTATTCACAGCGTAAGAATTCGTCCAGATGACACTATCTCC TGTAGGCTGGAGCTG3' |
| KO-hilD3-R | 5'CAACCAGATTACGATGATAAAAAAATAATGCATATCTCCTCTCTC CATATGAATATCCTC3' |
| KO-pinT-F | 5'TTCATTGTTGGGGATATTTATGTTTTACTTACCTCAGTAACGGAT TGTAGGCTGGAGCTG3' |
| KO-pinT-R | 5'TTGTCTGTTAATTATTACAGAGAGAGTTAATTTATAAAAAAAGC CATATGAATATCCTC3' |
| R-ssrB'-lacZ E. coli | 5'TAACGCCAGGGTTTTCCAGTCACGACGTTGTAAAACGAC TTTAAAATGAGGCCAGGGTA3' |
| F-ssrB'-lacZ E. coli | 5'ACCTGACGCTTTTTATCGCAACTCTCTACTGTTTCTCCAT GGTATGCTATGTCATAGACA3' |
| R-ssrA'-lacZ E. coli | 5'TAACGCCAGGGTTTTCCAGTCACGACGTTGTAAAACGAC CCAAATAATTATTGTTGTTA3' |
| F-ssrA'-lacZ E. coli | 5'ACCTGACGCTTTTTATCGCAACTCTCTACTGTTTCTCCAT ACATCGCCATCTTATTTAAA3' |

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