

S3 Fig. fusA gene NJ tree. Neighbor Joining (NJ) phylogeny of *Providencia* bacteria as reconstructed from fusA gene sequences. Terminal branches are labelled by genus, species and strain designations as well as GenBank accession numbers. Numbers on branches indicate bootstrap support values. The size bar corresponds to 1 % sequence divergence. An orthologous sequence from the closely related bacterium *Proteus mirabilis* has been used as outgroup.