

## Supplemental Material

**Table S1** Strains and plasmids used in this study.

Strain or plasmid (parent)	Relevant genotype	Selection/ Resistance	Source
<i>Escherichia coli</i>			
DH10B	F- <i>mcrAΔ mrr-hsdRMS mcrBC</i> $\phi$ 80dlacZΔM15 <i>lacX74 deoR recA1 araD139Δ ara, leu7697 galU galKΔrpsL endA1 nupG</i>	None	Gibco/BRL
<i>Clostridium perfringens</i>			
HN13	Wild type; <i>galKT</i> -	None	(1)
AH2	Mutant in <i>bglR, uidA</i> fusion parent strain	Erm	(2)
AH7	$\Delta pilA1$ , from HN13	None	This study
AH8	$\Delta pilA2$ , from HN13	None	This study
AH9	$\Delta pilA3$ , from HN13	None	This study
AH10	$\Delta pilA4$ , from HN13	None	This study
SRM4	<i>pilA1</i> operon promoter fused to <i>uidA</i> in HN13	Erm Cm	This study
SRM9	<i>pilA2</i> operon promoter fused to <i>uidA</i> in HN13	Erm Cm	This study
SRM10	<i>pilA3</i> operon promoter fused to <i>uidA</i> in HN13	Erm Cm	This study
SRM5	<i>pilB1</i> operon promoter fused to <i>uidA</i> in HN13	Erm Cm	This study
SRM6	<i>pilD</i> operon promoter fused to <i>uidA</i> in HN13	Erm Cm	This study
SRM7	<i>pilM</i> operon promoter fused to <i>uidA</i> in HN13	Erm Cm	This study
SRM8	<i>pilT</i> operon promoter fused to <i>uidA</i> in HN13	Erm Cm	This study
Plasmids			
pSRM18	<i>cpe1788</i> in pKRAH1	Cm	This study
pSRM8	<i>pilA1::uidA</i> in pJV50	Cm	This study
pSRM22	<i>pilA2::uidA</i> in pJV50	Cm	This study
pSRM23	<i>pilA3::uidA</i> in pJV50	Cm	This study
pSRM10	<i>pilB1::uidA</i> in pJV50	Cm	This study
pSRM12	<i>pilD::uidA</i> in pJV50	Cm	This study
pSRM14	<i>pilM::uidA</i> in pJV50	Cm	This study
pSRM16	<i>pilT::uidA</i> in pJV50	Cm	This study
pJV50	Suicide vector used for <i>uidA</i> fusion strains	Cm	(3)
pKRAH1	Lactose inducible expression vector	Cm	(2)
pAH10	<i>pilA2</i> in pKRAH1	Cm	Andrea Hartman
pKRAH1- <i>pilB2</i>	<i>pilB2</i> in pKRAH1	Cm	Andrea Hartman
pKRAH1- <i>pilC2</i>	<i>pilC2</i> in pKRAH1	Cm	Andrea Hartman
pKRAH1- <i>pilT</i>	<i>pilT</i> in pKRAH1	Cm	Andrea Hartman
pKRAH1- <i>cpe2277</i>	<i>cpe2277</i> in pKRAH1	Cm	Andrea Hartman
pSRM24	<i>lon</i> in pKRAH1	Cm	This study
pSRM35	Promoterless <i>sr79</i> in pKRAH1	Cm	This study
pSM240	Vector for measuring promoter activity in <i>C. perfringens</i>	Cm	(2)
pSM400	<i>pilA2</i> promoter region in pSM240	Cm	This study
pSM401	<i>pilB2</i> promoter region in pSM240	Cm	This study
pSM402	<i>pilD</i> promoter region in pSM240	Cm	This study

**Table S2** Primers used in this study.

Primer	Sequence (5' – 3')
<i>pilA1::uidA</i>	
OSRM24	gtaGTCGACttatttgtagacaactggaaaaactgtg (SalI site)
OSRM25	cacgggtggggttctacaggacgtAACATCAGTAAACATTGTCCTCC
OSRM26	ggaggaccataatgttattactgtatgttacgtcgttagaaaccccaacccgtg
<i>pilA2::uidA</i>	
OSRM50	cactagGTCGACtattagataaaacagcagattttatgtatgtgaac (SalI site)
OSRM51	ggaaaaccaatgaatacaatgttacgtcgttag
OSRM52	ctacaggacgtAACATTGTTACGTCTGGTT
<i>pilA3::uidA</i>	
OSRM53	ggaGTCGACtggaaatccagattctacttactttagtg (SalI site)
OSRM54	ctacaggacgtAACATAATTCTATTAATCACC
OSRM55	gggttattaaatgaaaaattttatgttacgtcgttag
<i>pilB1::uidA</i>	
OSRM27	gatGTCGACggaaagctatacttttagaaaaagcaatag (SalI site)
OSRM28	cacgggtggggttctacaggacgtAACATATTTATCAACCTCCTC
OSRM29	gaggagggttatatatgaaatataatgttacgtcgttagaaaccccaacccgtg
<i>pilD::uidA</i>	
OSRM30	ggatagGTCGACcgctaaggcaaaagttagataacaaattg (SalI site)
OSRM31	cacgggtggggttctacaggacgtAACATTAGACACATTGCCTCCAAATCATCC
OSRM32	ggatgtttggaggcaatgttacgtataatgttacgtcgttagaaaccccaacccgtg
<i>pilM::uidA</i>	
OSRM33	catcaGTCGACgcTTgggtgctgaaggtaagataataggagg (SalI site)
OSRM34	cacgggtggggttctacaggacgtAACATTGCAAACATTCCCTCTTAC
OSRM35	ggtaaaggaggaaagtttggcaataatgttacgtcgttagaaaccccaacccgtg
<i>pilT::uidA</i>	
OSRM36	caaGTCGACggaaatcgtacgtcaacatATGAGC (SalI site)
OSRM37	cacgggtggggttctacaggacgtAACATTTGCTATAATCTCTCTAAAC
OSRM38	gtttaggaggagatttatgcaagatgttacgtcgttagaaaccccaacccgtg
All <i>uidA</i> fusion C-termini	
OSRM39	gttCTGCAGgattcattttgcctcc (PstI site)
<i>pilA2</i> qRT-PCR	
OSRM62	tcaaATGCTAAAGACGACGTTACAG
OSRM63	tctactgcaatacacaccacatcaa
<i>pilB2</i> qRT-PCR	
OSRM78	tgtgcgtccgtatatgtgt
OSRM79	gcttttgttaattctccgtgc
<i>pilC2</i> qRT-PCR	
OSRM76	tggaaaagagaxaagataagaggaaaga
OSRM77	gcaataatAGCTACCAACTCCAAGAACT
<i>pilT</i> qRT-PCR	
OSRM64	gaatgagaacgtggacatggaa
OSRM65	gcacaattcattgcgtttctt
<i>cpe2277</i> qRT-PCR	
OSRM68	tctgttaggaagtggaaagtggagtt
OSRM69	tcttacattggtaaatctccaacac
<i>lon</i> qRT-PCR	
OSRM70	ggtagttggcaagagagagctgtta
OSRM71	caacccctggaggccataaa
pSRM35	



downstream fragment)	
OSRM91 (3' primer for downstream fragment)	5' ctcGGATCCgtacgacagtgagtaactgcagctacg 3' (BamHI site)
pKRAH-pilC2	
OAH117	5'-CTGCAGtaattaggtaaagaaaaggagaggaaattatggc-3'
OAH118	5'-GTCGACtaatgtatgtatgtatgcacctatactgttatacatttaaacatagtg-3'
<i>pilA2</i> promoter	
OSM354	5'-cagcaGTCGACtatgtatgtatgtactagaagagaatac -3'
OSM355	5'-ccCTGCAGttttttgtttttgtattcattggtttcc -3'
<i>pilB2</i> promoter	
OSM356	5'- gGTCGACatagccttggaccagctatagg-3'
OSM357	5'-cCTGCAGcaatttagtatatctcctaaacgcctttc -3'
<i>pild</i> promoter	
OSM358	5'-gGTCGACataaaatataataataaaaacttatttactacatgcc -3'
OSM359	5'-ccCTGCAGaaaaaatattatagacacattgcctccaaatc -3'

**Table S3** Sample coverage.

Sample	Total Reads	Mapped Reads	Percentage of Mapped Reads
BHIL1	18,534,996	16,302,909	88%
BHIL3	23,566,774	21,879,774	93%
BHIPL1	22,280,318	18,994,017	85%
BHIPL2	20,387,754	18,145,757	89%
PGYLI1	22,390,086	18,006,491	80%
PGYLI2	20,745,536	18,771,451	90%
PGYPL1	23,451,252	17,847,747	76%
PGYPL2	20,099,696	18,178,362	90%
FABGLI1	19,798,656	17,448,863	88%
FABGL2	23,316,700	21,358,386	92%
FABGPL1	24,439,042	20,171,471	83%
FABGPL2	21,927,608	20,383,062	93%

LI, liquid; PL, plate

**Table S4** Numbers of genes with differential expression in various media in crosswise comparisons.

	BHI	PGY	FABG	FABG/PGY	PGY/ BHI	FABG	BHI/FABG	PGY/FABG	BHI/ PGY	Total
Plates	469	926	429	257	965	990	327	432	158	4953
Liquid	902	90	521	861	145	609	250	56	537	3971

Each comparison is based on two-fold or greater average transcripts per million (TPM) in each growth medium (BHI, PGY, or FABG) in either liquid-grown cells or plated cultures. For single comparisons, TPM was averaged for each gene for two samples, and differential expression was found by comparing plate and liquid values for each gene. For dual comparisons, the plate and liquid averages for every gene in the various media were compared.

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