

Additional File 3. Phylogeny of *mxaF* sequences retrieved from pea plant rhizosphere and unplanted soil

Phylogenetic tree of mxaF sequences retrieved by PCR from DNA extracted from unplanted soil (CF) and pea plant rhizosphere soil (Pea) revealed by 454 amplicon sequencing. Percentages after the OTUs represent relative abundance in the mxaF gene profile. Reference gene sequences were selected from the NCBI nucleotide database. Only bootstrap values \geq 50% (based on 500 replicates) are labelled at branch points. Alignments were produced at the amino acid level with the Muscle algorithm and phylogenetic trees were produced in Mega7 [70] using the neighbour-joining method. There were a total of 135 amino acid residues in the final dataset.