



### S10 Figure. The periplasmic domain of PhoQ is needed for the regulation of the T6SS.

(A, B, C) Expression of T6SS by Kp52145, 52145- $\Delta phoPQGB$  ( $\Delta phoPQ$ ), 52145- $\Delta phoQGBComFLAG$  ( $\Delta phoPQ::phoPQ_{FLAG}$ ), 52145- $\Delta phoQGBComPhoQ_{45-190}$  ( $\Delta phoPQ::phoPQ_{45-190}$ ), and 52145- $\Delta phoQGBComPhoQ_{GNNNAQ}$  ( $\Delta phoPQ::phoPQ_{GNNNAQ}$ ) carrying the transcriptional fusion *tssB::lucFF* after incubation in LB, LB<sub>pH6</sub> (pH6), and LB<sub>NaCl</sub> (NaCl 595 mm). #, results are significantly different ( $P < 0.0001$  [one-way ANOVA Bonferroni for multiple comparisons]) for the indicated comparisons.

(D) Western blot analysis using an anti-FLAG antibody demonstrating the presence of PhoQ in cell pellets of 52145- $\Delta phoQGBComFLAG$  (*phoQ*), 52145- $\Delta phoQGBComPhoQ_{45-190}$  (*phoQ<sub>45-190</sub>*), and

52145-ΔphoQGBCoMPhoQ<sub>GNNNNNAQ</sub> (*phoQ*<sub>GNNNNNAQ</sub>). Membranes were reprobed with antibody anti RNA Polymerase α. Images are representative of three independent experiments.