



S11 Figure. Role of *K. pneumoniae* T6SS VgrGs in bacterial competition.

(A, B, C) T6SS-dependent anti-bacterial activity as determined by recovery of target organism *E. coli* MG1655 following incubation with Kp52145, 52145- $\Delta clpV$ ($\Delta clpV$), 52145- $\Delta vgrG1$ ($\Delta vgrG1$), 52145- $\Delta vgrG1$ harbouring pBADVgrG1 ($\Delta vgrG1/pBADVgrG1$), 52145- $\Delta vgrG2$ ($\Delta vgrG2$), 52145- $\Delta vgrG4$ ($\Delta vgrG4$), 52145- $\Delta vgrG4$ harbouring pBADVgrG4 ($\Delta vgrG4/pBADVgrG4$), 52145- $\Delta vgrG2-ΔvgrG1$ ($\Delta vgrG2-ΔvgrG1$), 52145- $\Delta vgrG1-ΔvgrG4$ ($\Delta vgrG1-ΔvgrG4$), 52145- $\Delta vgrG2-ΔvgrG4$ ($\Delta vgrG2-ΔvgrG4$), 52145- $\Delta vgrG2-ΔvgrG1-ΔvgrG4$ ($\Delta vgrG2-ΔvgrG1-ΔvgrG4$) in LB_{pH6} (pH6), LBN_{NaCl} (NaCl 595 mM), and with sublethal concentration of colistin (0.1 µg/ml) in LB. In all panels, #, $P < 0.0001$; n.s. ($P > 0.05$), not significant differences from the results for PBS-treated (mock) target cell; one-way ANOVA Bonferroni for multiple comparisons. The data are presented as means \pm the standard deviations ($n = 3$).