

Table S1. Small unannotated open reading frame found in the intergenic regions of the *grp* locus.

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ORFB (IGR3) conserve in many *E. coli* strains

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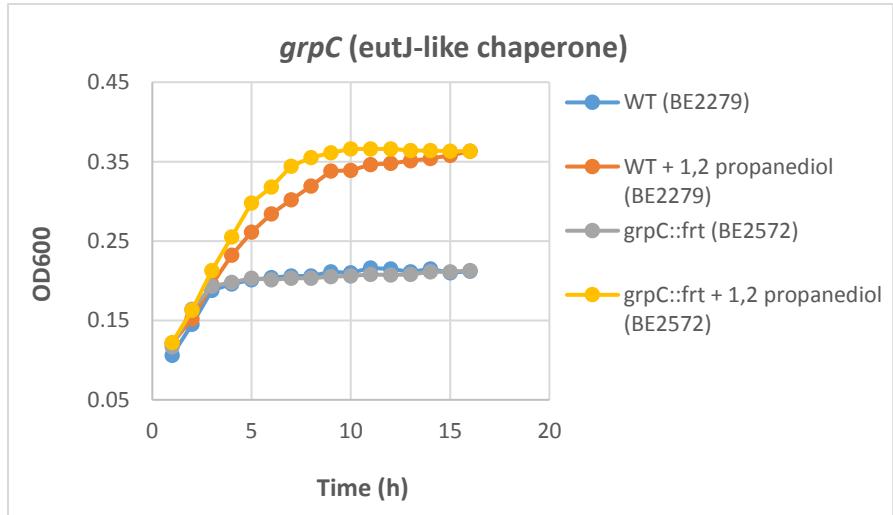
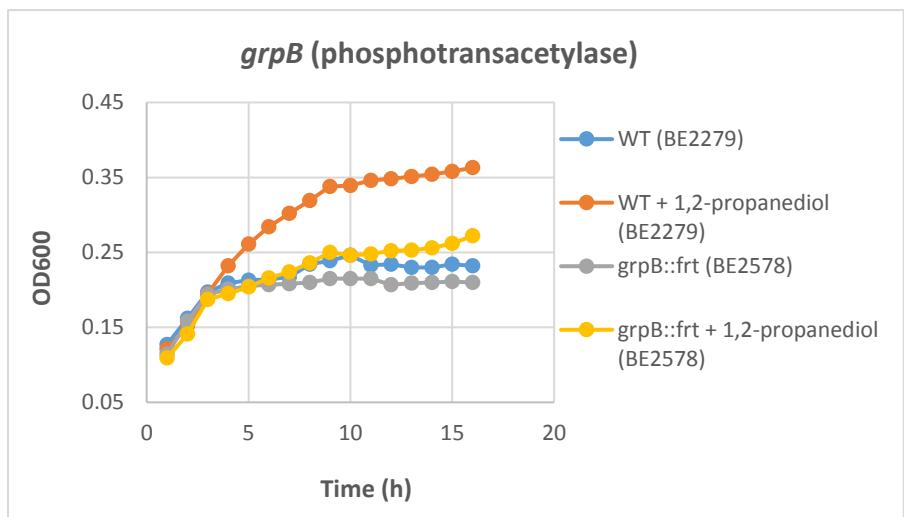
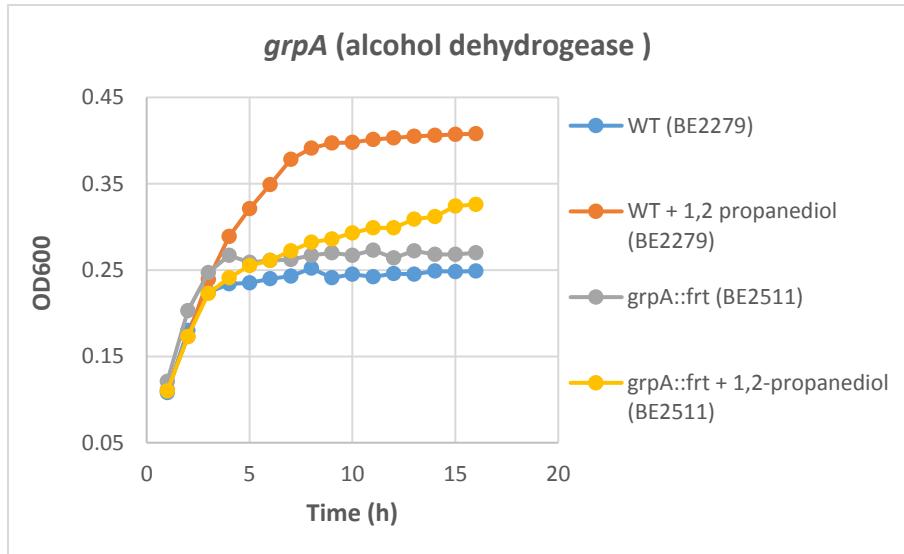
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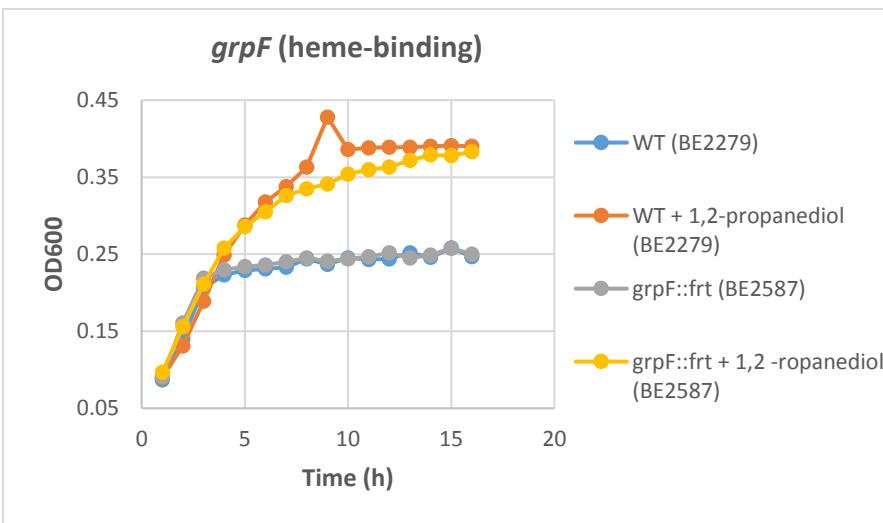
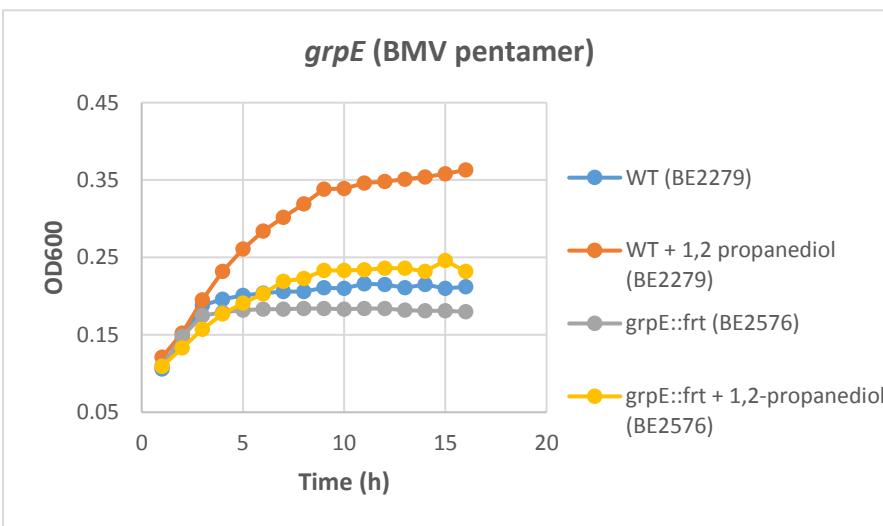
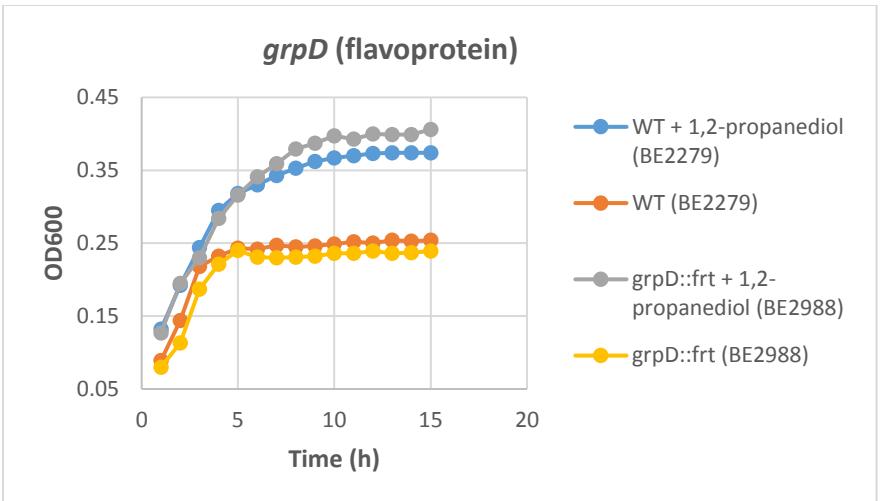
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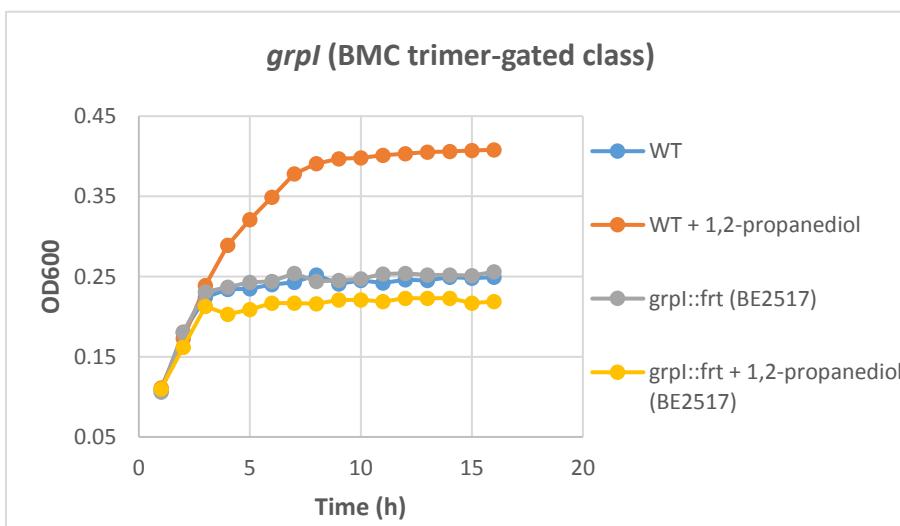
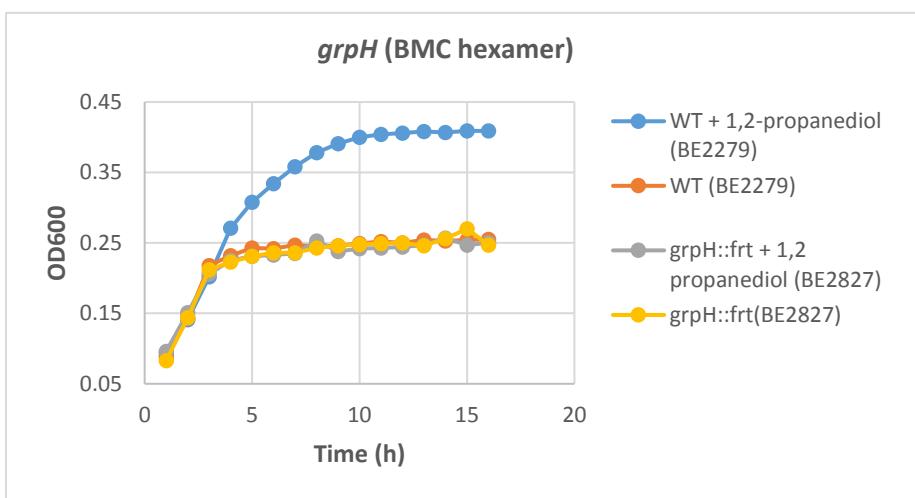
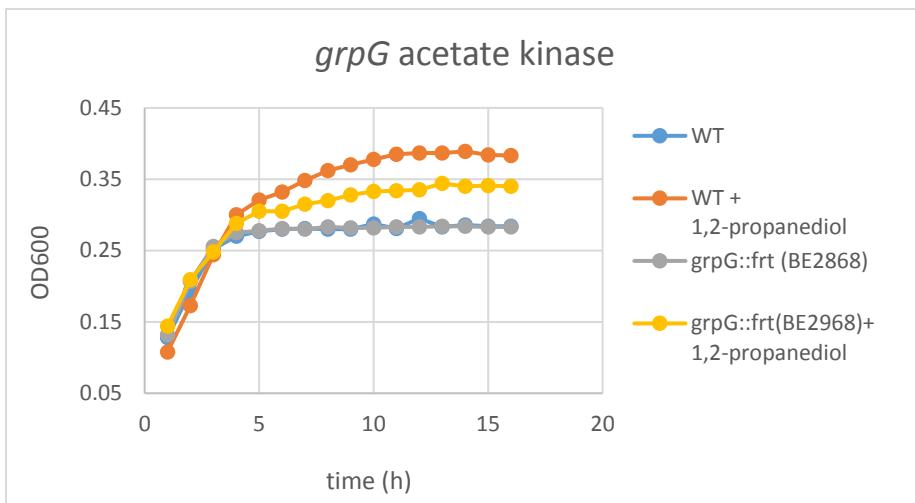
Table S2 Strains used in the study

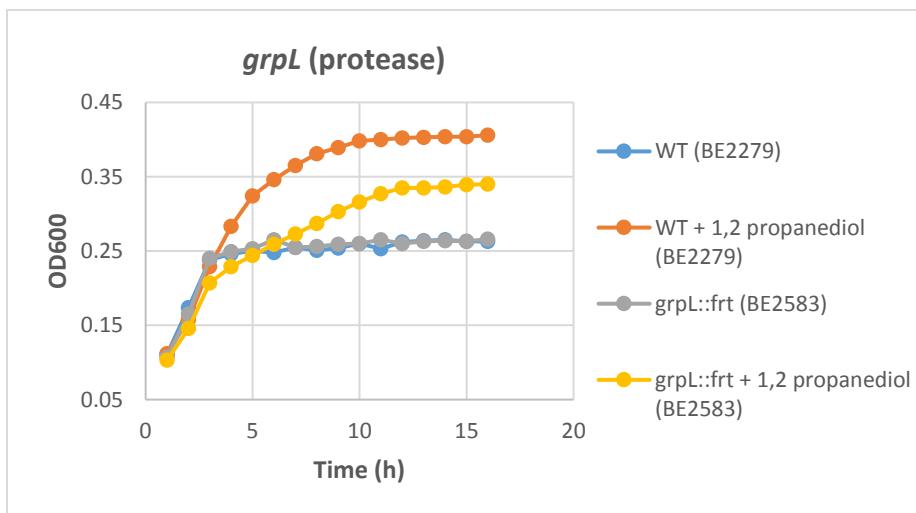
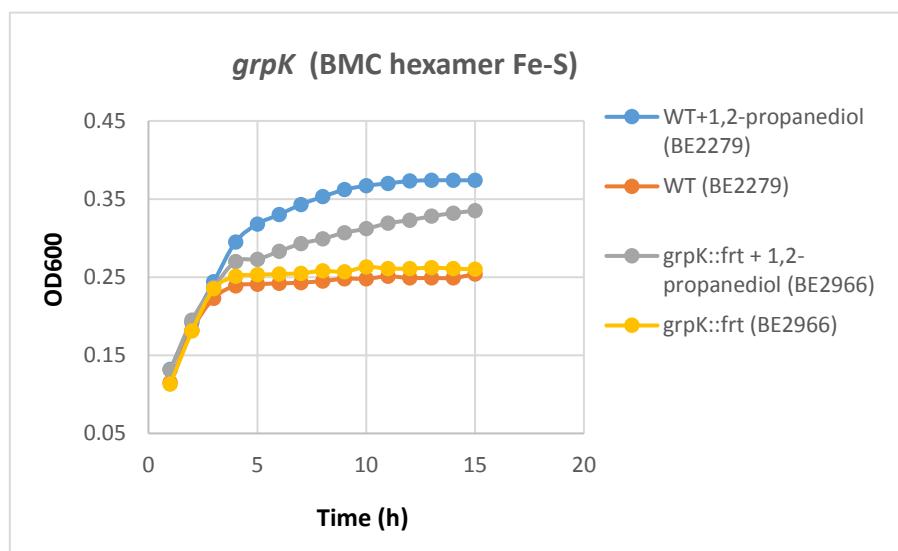
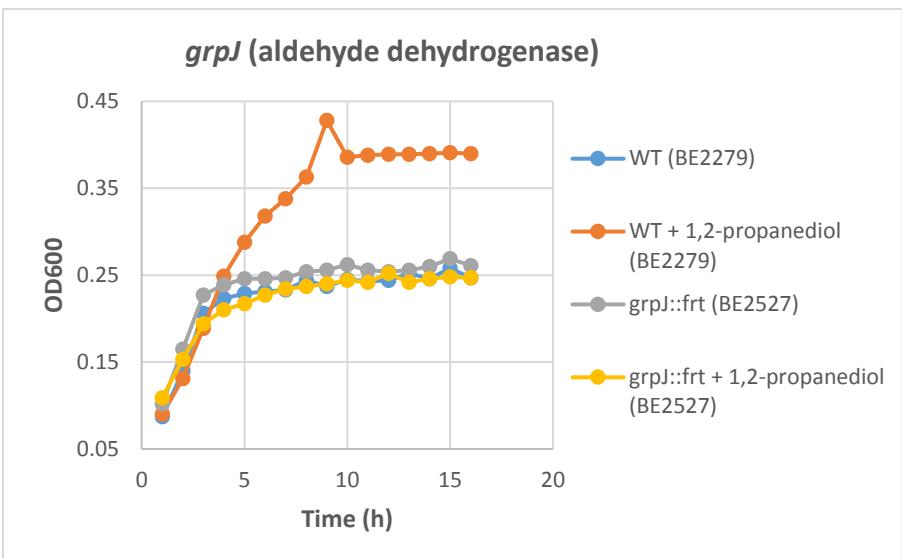
Strain number	Genotype	Source
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BE2572	$\Delta grpC::frt$	This study
BE2988	$\Delta grpD::frt$	This study
BE2576	$\Delta grpE::frt$	This study
BE2587	$\Delta grpF::frt$	This study
BE2968	$\Delta grpG::frt$	This study
BE2827	$\Delta grpH::frt$	This study
BE2517	$\Delta grpI::frt$	This study
BE2527	$\Delta grpJ::frt$	This study
BE2966	$\Delta grpK::frt$	This study
BE2583	$\Delta grpL::frt$	This study
BE2593	$\Delta grpM::frt$	This study
BE2585	$\Delta grpN::frt$	This study
BE2521	$\Delta grpO::frt$	This study
BE2529	$\Delta mrtA::frt$	This study
BE2523	$\Delta mrtB::frt$	This study
BE2460	$\Delta grpP::frt$	This study
BE2986	$\Delta grpQ::frt$	This study
BE2458	$\Delta grpR::frt$	This study
BE2525	$\Delta grpS::frt$	This study
BE2790	WT/pLac22	This study
BE2716	$\Delta grpA::frt/pLac22-grpA$	This study
BE2733	$\Delta grpA::frt + pLac22$	This study
BE2866	$\Delta grpB::frt/pLac22-grpB$	This study
BE2869	$\Delta grpB::frt/pLac22$	This study
BE2643	$\Delta grpE::frt/pLac22-grpE$	This study
BE2644	$\Delta grpE::frt/pLac22$	This study
BE2866	$\Delta grpG::frt/pLac22-grpG$	This study
BE2869	$\Delta grpG::frt/pLac22$	This study
BE3040	$\Delta grpH::frt/pLac22-grpH$	This study
BE2836	$\Delta grpH::frt/pLac22$	This study
BE2630	$\Delta grpI::frt/pLac22-grpI$	This study
BE2636	$\Delta grpI::frt/pLac22$	This study
BE2715	$\Delta grpJ::frt/pLac22-grpJ$	This study
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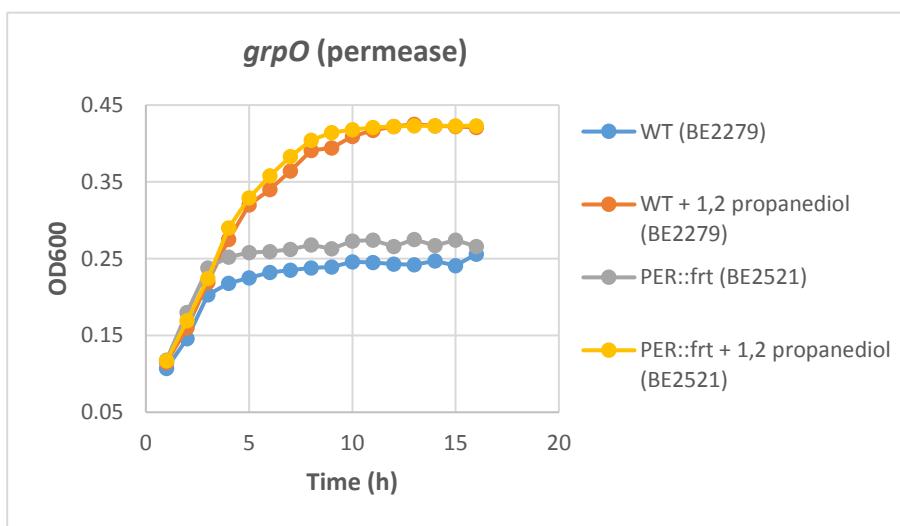
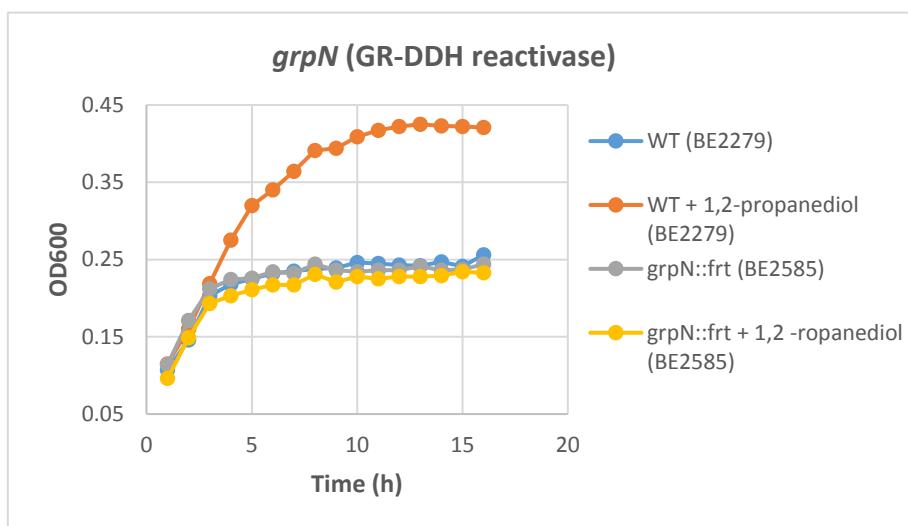
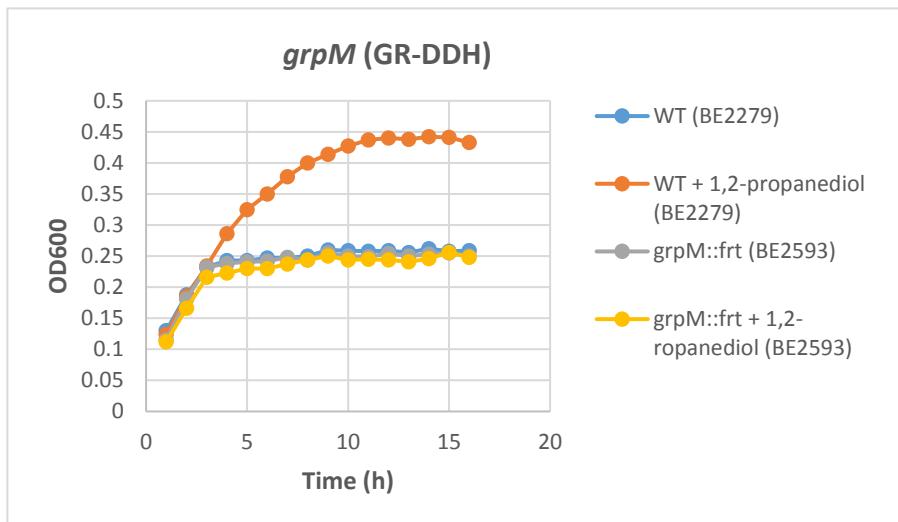
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BE2634	$\Delta grpM::frt/pLac22$	This study
BE2629	$\Delta grpN::frt/pLac22-grpM-grpN$	This study
BE2635	$\Delta grpN::frt/pLac22$	This study
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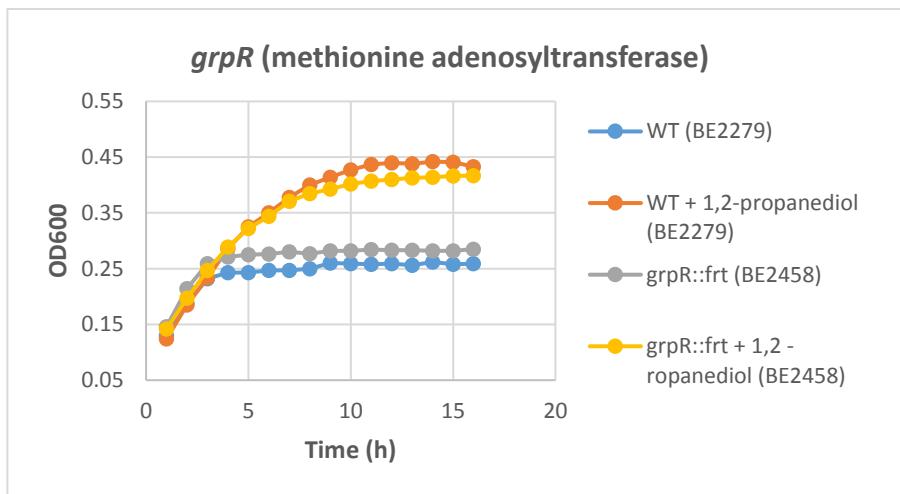
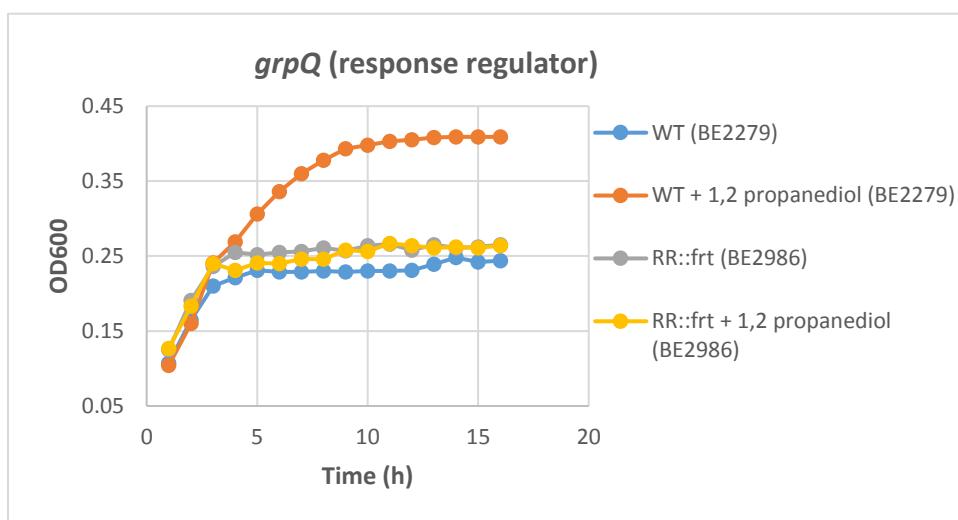
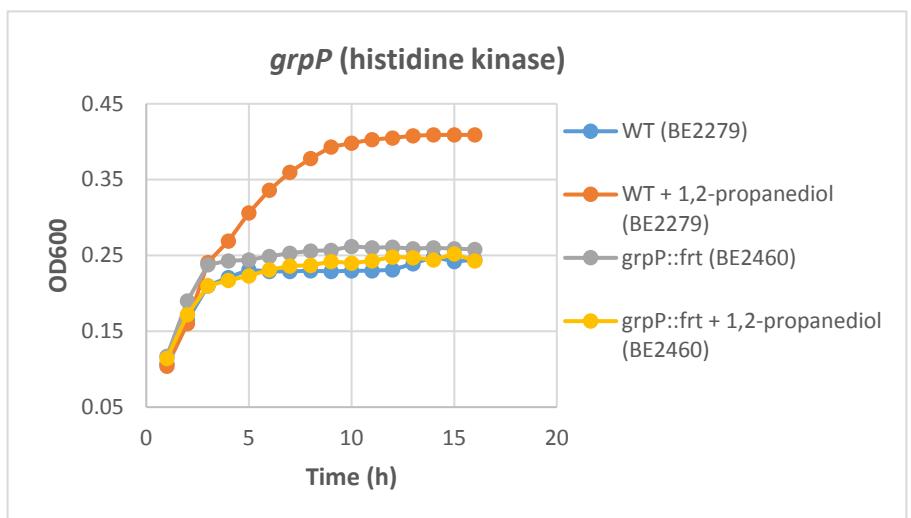












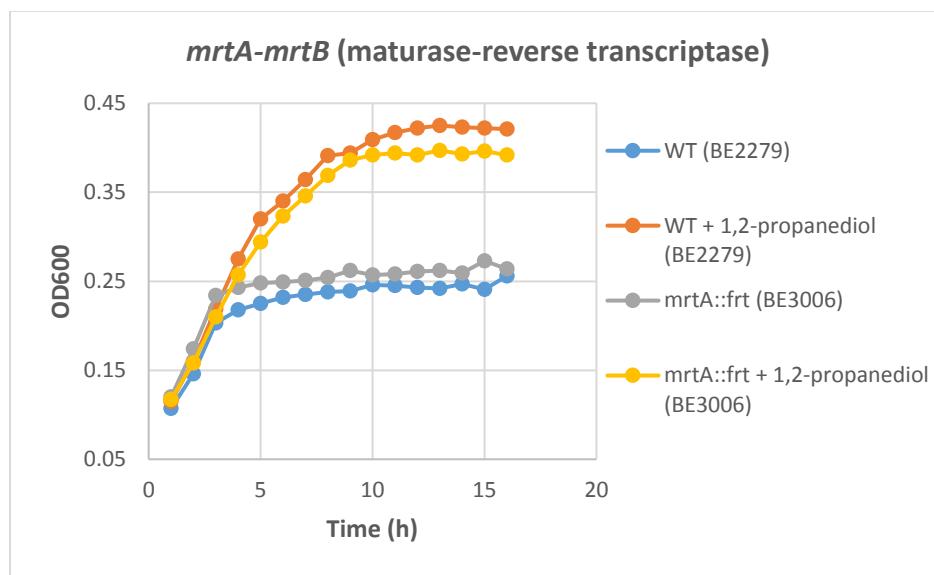
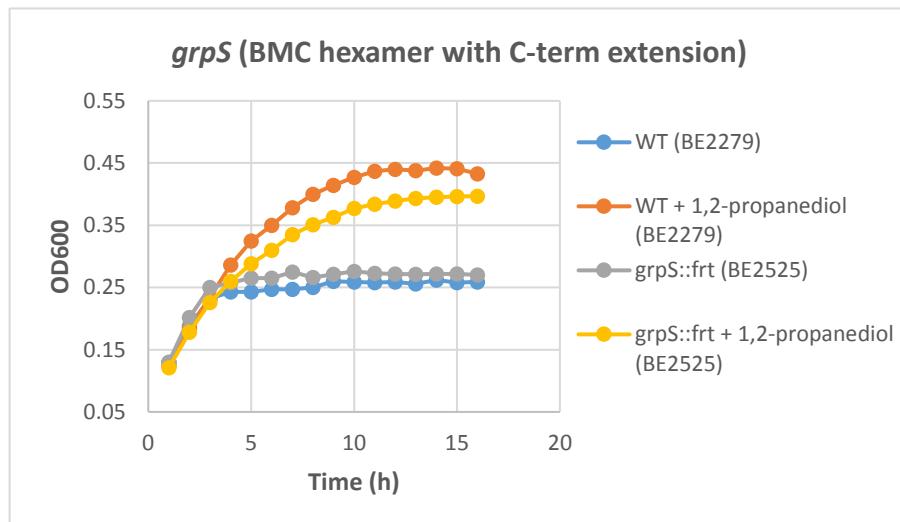
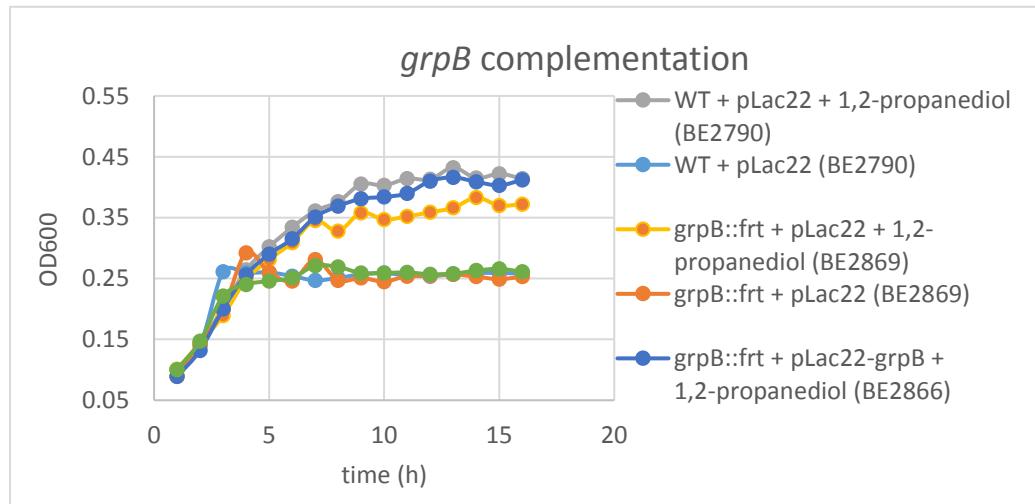
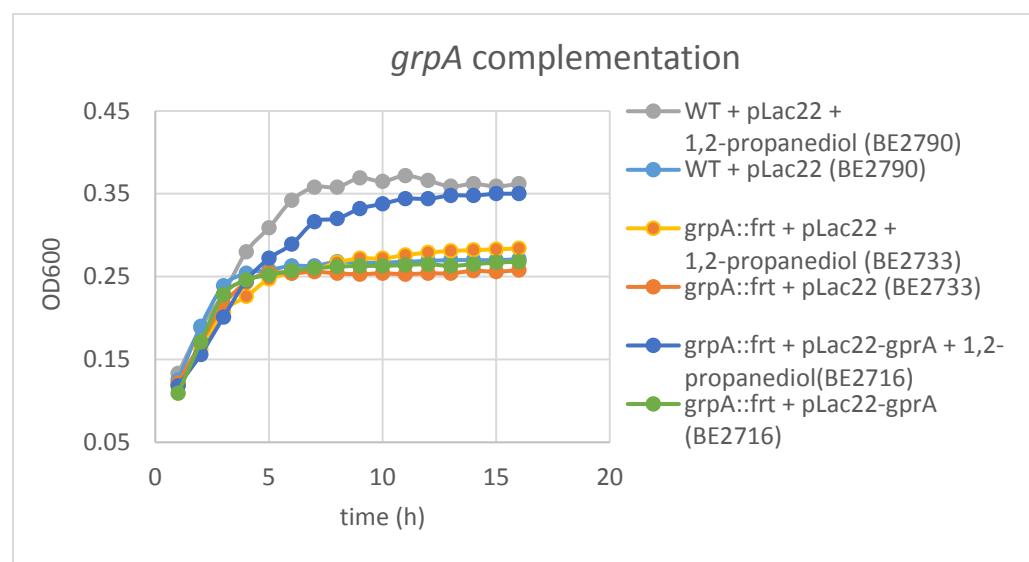
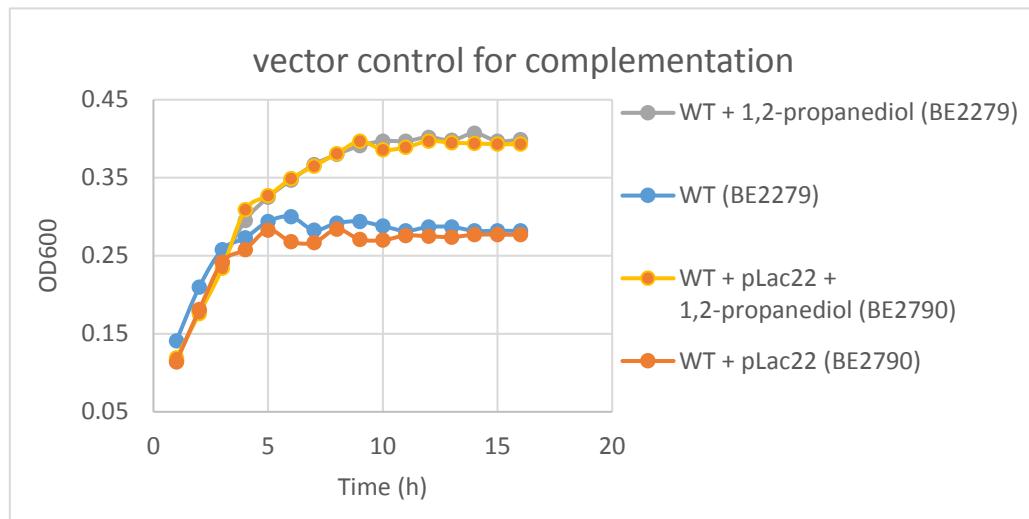
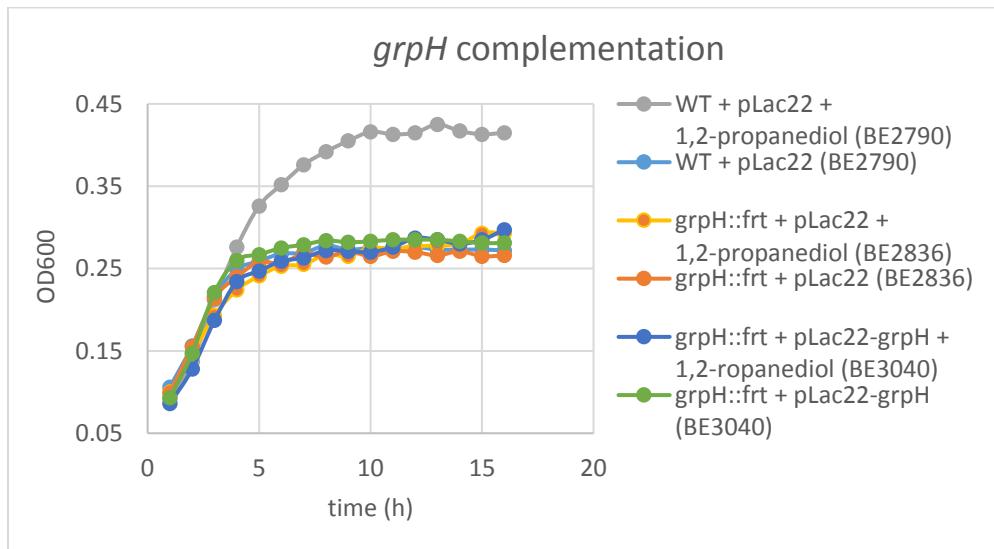
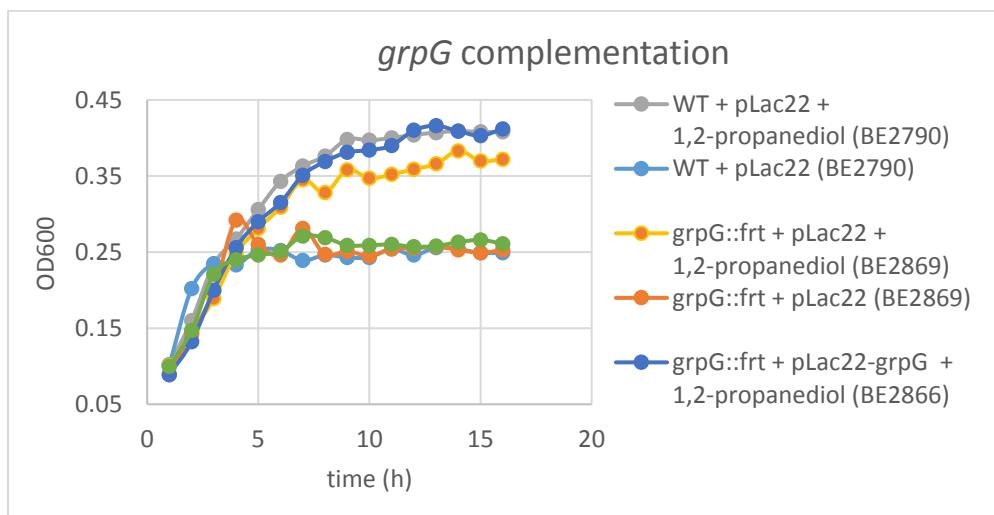
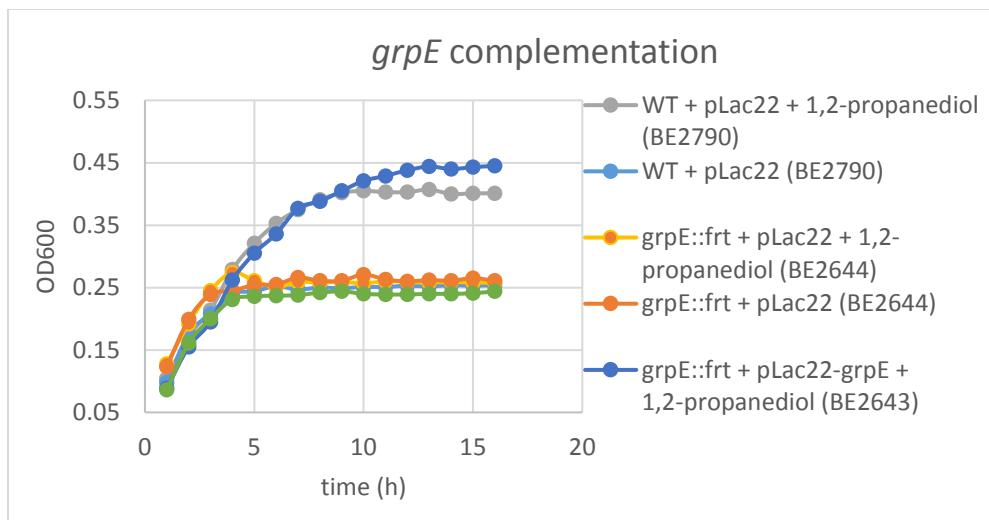
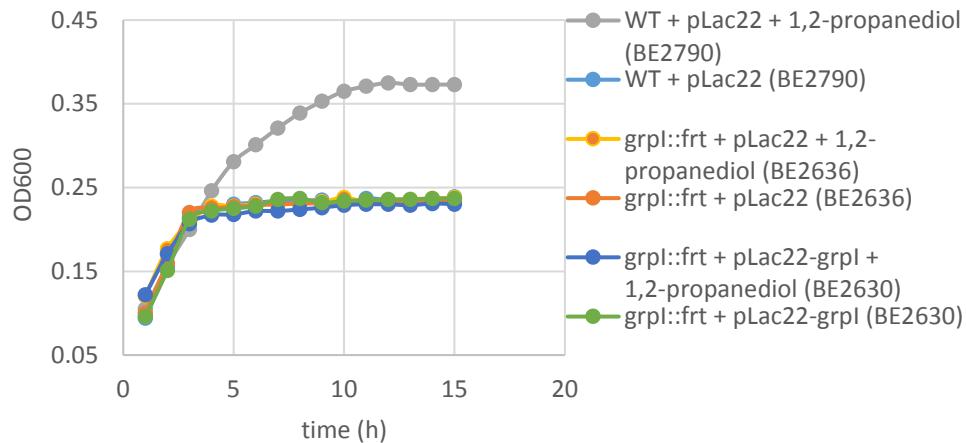


Figure S1. Growth of *grp* deletions on 1,2-PD. Growth of wild-type *E. coli* CFTO73 on 1,2-PD is compared to strains that have individual deletions of each *grp* gene. OD₆₀₀ = optical density at 600 nm.

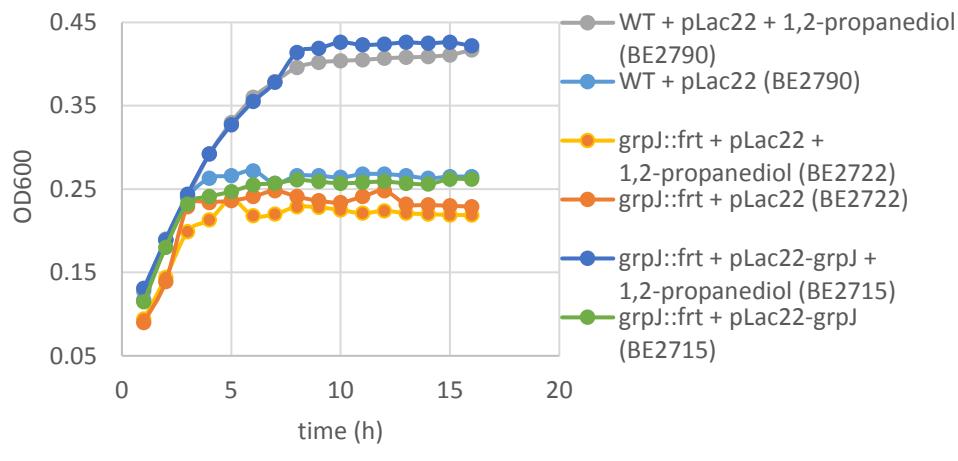




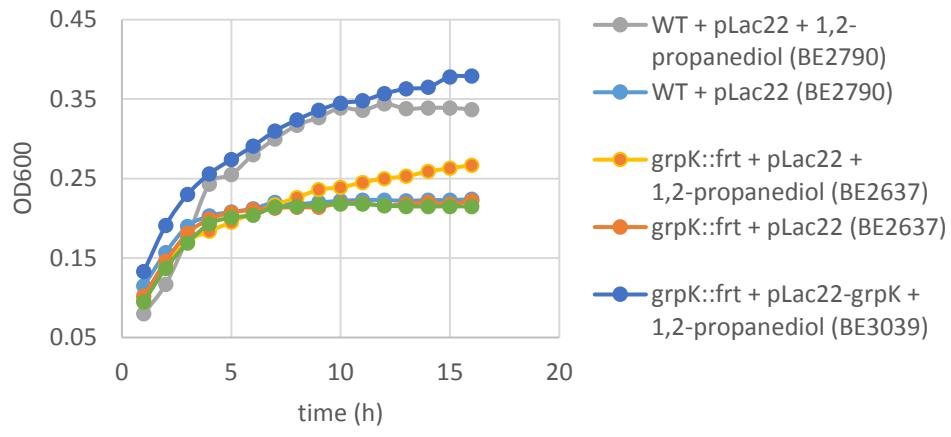
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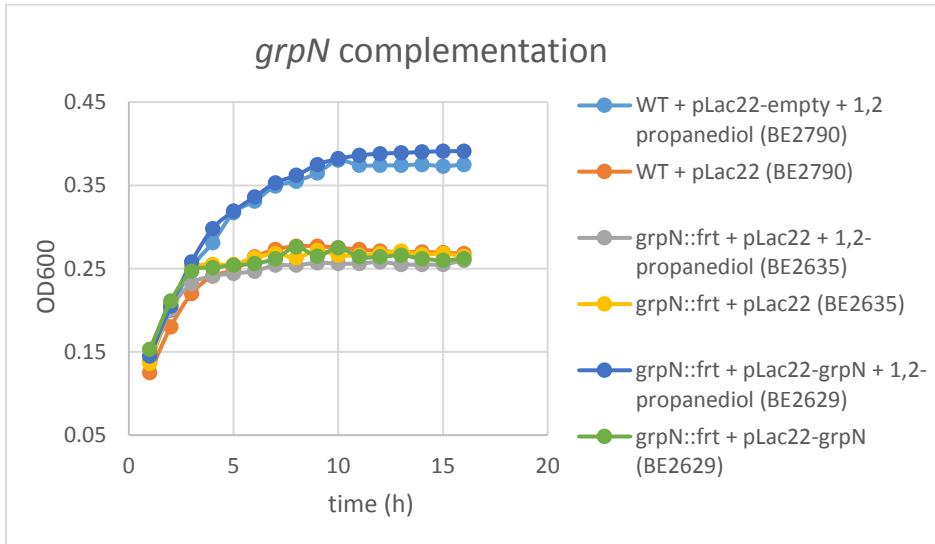
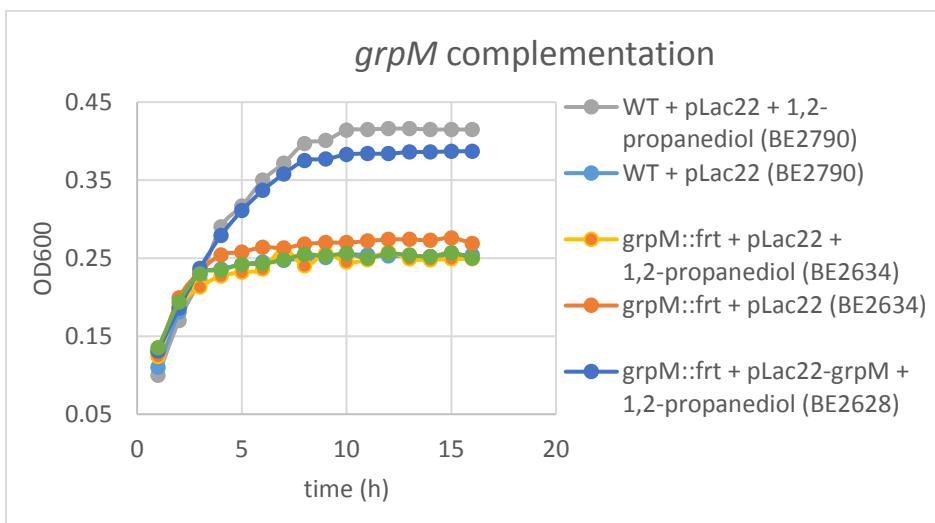
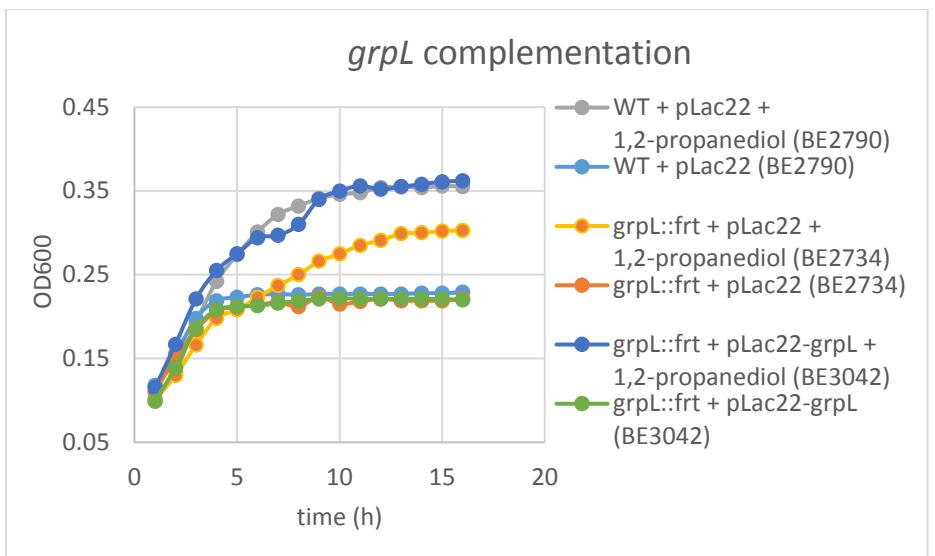


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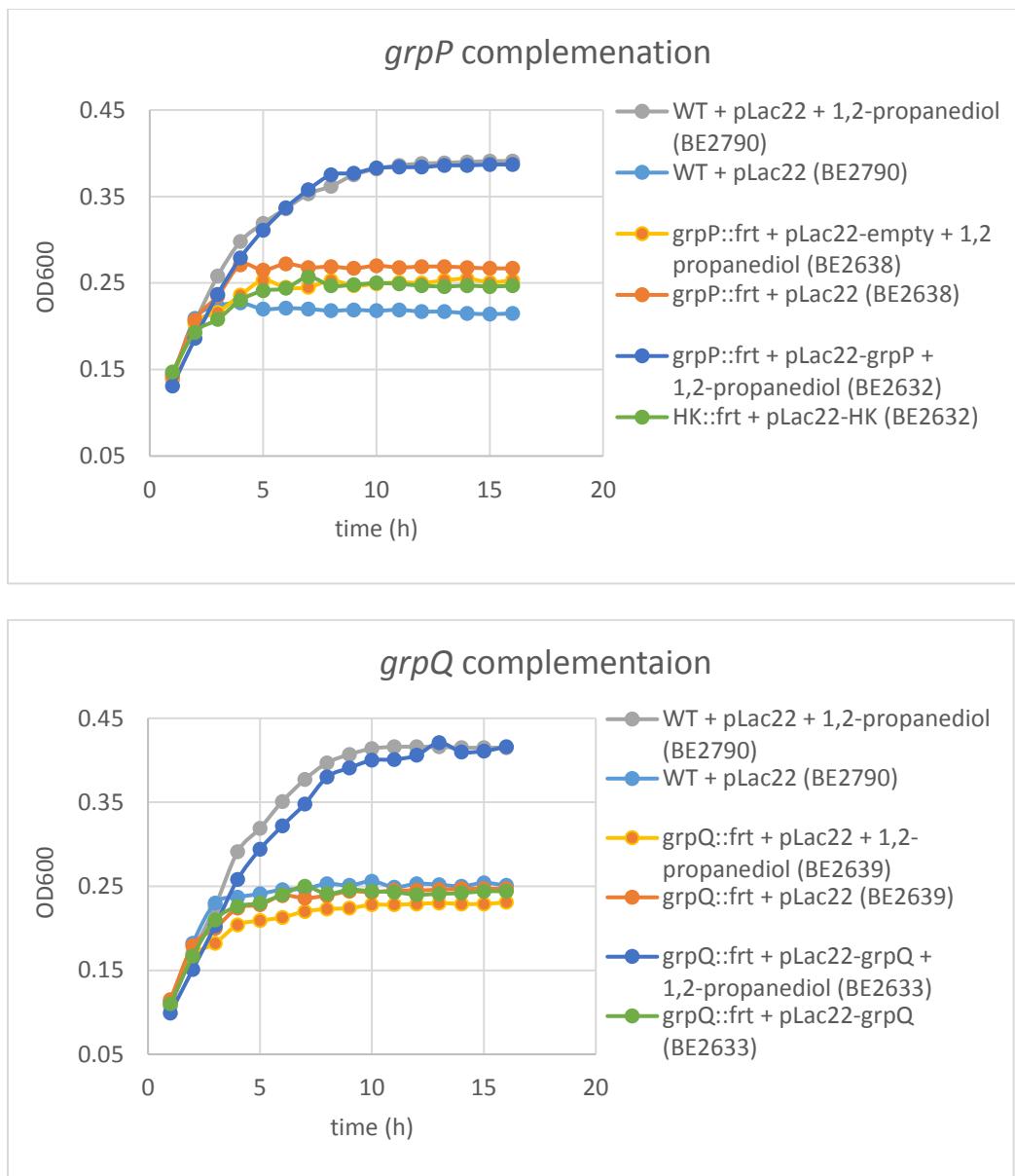


Figure S2. Complementation of *grp* mutants. Complementation tests were performed for thirteen *grp* deletions that showed impaired growth on 1,2-PD. Minimal clones expressed from pLac22 were tested for the ability to restore growth of each mutant on 1,2-PD. The first panel is a control that shows that the vector alone did not affect growth of wild type *E. coli* CFT073 on 1,2-PD. OD₆₀₀ = optical density at 600 nM.