Supplementary materials

Figure S1. *C. burnetii* 2072::Tn replicates with similar dynamics to WT during axenic culture in ACCM-2. *C. burnetii* WT, 2072::Tn and 2072::Tn pFLAG-2072 were cultivated in ACCM-2, and samples were taken for quantification of GE/mL every 24 hours until 7 days post-inoculation. n = 3. Error bars denote standard deviation.

Figure S2. Functional EirA is predominantly retained within *C. burnetii* whole cell. Whole cell lysates (WCL) of *C. burnetii eirA*::Tn (A), *eirA*::Tn pEirA-FLAG (B), *eirA*::Tn pFLAG-EirA (C), and *eirA*::Tn pFLAG-EirA₂₄₋₁₆₅ (D) and TCA precipitated ACCM-2 media (supernatant) used to cultivate each respective strain were probed with anti-FLAG antibodies to determine EirA localization. RpoA was used as a cytoplasmic loading control to ensure ACCM-2 culture media did not contain any *C. burnetii* contamination. Immunoblots are representative of three independent biological replicates.

Figure S3. Western blot confirming specificity of anti-EirA antibody to EirA. Whole cell lysates of strains used for subcellular fractionations were probed with anti-EirA (A) or anti-FLAG (B). DotB was used as a cytoplasmic loading control. Blots were segmented to account for different protein expression levels requiring different exposure times in each strain.





Figure S2.



eirA::Tn



eirA::Tn pFLAG-EirA



eirA::Tn pEirA-FLAG



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eirA::Tn pFLAG-EirA<sub>24-165</sub>
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Abbreviation	Metabolite
Р	Phosphate
1P	1-phosphate
2P	2-phosphate
3P	3-phosphate
4P	4-phosphate
5P	5-phosphate
6P	6-phosphate
G6P	D-Glucose 6-phoshate
F6P	D-Fructose 6-phosphate
FBP	D-Fructose 1,6-bisphosphate
PEP	Phophoenolpyruvate
R5P	D-Ribose 5-phosphate
UMP	Uridine 5'-monophosphate
UDP	Uridine 5'-diphosphate
dCMP	Deoxycytidine 5'-monophosphate
AMP	Adenosine 5'-monophosphate
ADP	Adenosine 5'-diphosphate
IMP	Inosine 5'-monophosphate
IDP	Inosine 5'-diphosphate
GMP	Guanosine 5'-monophosphate
dIMP	Deoxyinosine 5'-monophosphate
dGMP	Deoxyguanosine 5'-monophosphate
L-Ala	L-Alanine
L-Asp	L-Aspartate
L-Glu	L-Glutamine
L-Ile	L-Isoleucine
L-Leu	L-Leucine
L-Met	L-Methionine
L-Phe	L-Phenylalanine
L-Pro	L-Proline
L-Ser	L-Serine
L-Thr	L-Threonine
L-Trp	L-Tryptophan
L-Tyr	L-Tyrosine
L-Val	L-Valine
GSH	Glutathione
GlcNAc	N-Acetyl-D-glucosamine

Table S1. Metabolite abbreviations.

Table S2. Metabolites identified as significantly different when comparing eirA::Tn pFLAG-

EirA to WT.

Metabolite	Fold change ^A	BH-adjusted <i>p</i> -value ^B
D-Fructose	-0.56	9.02 x 10 ⁻³
D-Galactarate	-0.83	7.94 x 10 ⁻⁴
G6P	-1.63	5.55 x 10 ⁻³
F6P	-1.63	5.55 x 10 ⁻³
D-Gluconate	-0.46	1.63 x 10 ⁻³
R5P	-3.46	2.43 x 10 ⁻⁶
2-Deoxyribose-5P	-2.84	7.94 x 10 ⁻⁴
Orotate	-3.29	1.29 x 10 ⁻⁵
Xanthine	-1.29	2.43 x 10 ⁻⁶
Inosine	-3.09	9.18 x 10 ⁻⁶
IMP	-1.25	8.29 x 10 ⁻⁶
IDP	-0.54	2.30 x 10 ⁻³
dIMP	1.68	3.62 x 10 ⁻²
Adenine	-2.40	6.62 x 10 ⁻⁶
AMP	-0.85	2.43 x 10 ⁻⁶
ADP	-0.46	5.36 x 10 ⁻⁴
Uridine	-1.94	9.86 x 10 ⁻⁴
Uracil	-1.92	1.30 x 10 ⁻⁴
UMP	-1.96	7.24 x 10 ⁻⁵
dCMP	-1.11	6.81 x 10 ⁻³
dGMP	-0.85	2.43 x 10 ⁻⁶
L-Arg	1.40	1.73 x 10 ⁻³
L-Asp	1.22	4.02 x 10 ⁻⁵
L-Citrulline	0.62	3.68 x 10 ⁻²
L-Cystathione	0.24	2.87 x 10 ⁻³
L-Glu	1.08	2.43 x 10 ⁻⁶
L-Ser	1.08	5.97 x 10 ⁻⁶
L-Met	0.69	2.43 x 10 ⁻⁶
L-Val	-0.83	1.19 x 10 ⁻²
L-Ile	-0.61	5.55 x 10 ⁻³
L-Leu	0.78	2.88 x 10 ⁻⁴
L-Lys	1.50	1.43 x 10 ⁻⁴
L-Pro	-2.06	3.60 x 10 ⁻⁷
L-Ornithine	-0.77	2.09 x 10 ⁻²
L-Tyr	0.16	1.76 x 10 ⁻²
GSH	-0.59	5.78 x 10 ⁻⁶
3'-Methyladenine	0.87	9.59 x 10 ⁻⁴
2'-Methylcitrate	-3.28	5.36 x 10 ⁻⁴
Meso-2,6-Diaminopimelate	1.50	4.85 x 10 ⁻⁵
GDP-D-mannose	-1.14	5.63 x 10 ⁻⁶
UDP-GlcNAc	-1.20	2.50 x 10 ⁻⁵
D-Glucono-1,4-lactone	-1.08	9.68 x 10 ⁻³
D-Galactono-1,4-lactone	-1.61	$1.90 \ge 10^{-2}$
Biotin	-2.29	2.61 x 10 ⁻³

Biopterin	-1.70	1.59 x 10 ⁻²
NADH	0.45	3.78 x 10 ⁻³
NADP	-0.46	5.55 x 10 ⁻³

^APositive fold change value denotes metabolites with significantly high abundance, while negative fold change value denotes metabolites with significantly lower abundance in *C. burnetii eirA*::Tn pFLAG-EirA samples. ^BBenjamini-Hochberg (BH).

Table S3. Metabolites identified as significantly different when comparing eirA::Tn pFLAG-

EirA to *eirA*::Tn.

Metabolite	Fold change	BH-adjusted <i>p</i> -value
D-Fructose	0.77	2.29 x 10 ⁻⁴
D-Galactarate	0.56	2.29 x 10 ⁻⁴
G6P	1.56	6.16 x 10 ⁻³
F6P	1.56	6.16 x 10 ⁻³
PEP	1.32	2.17 x 10 ⁻²
D-Gluconate	0.59	3.34 x 10 ⁻⁴
R5P	3.37	2.48 x 10 ⁻⁷
2-Deoxyribose-5P	2.68	5.69 x 10 ⁻⁴
Succinate	-0.28	1.48 x 10 ⁻⁴
Orotate	2.70	1.30 x 10 ⁻⁴
Inosine	3.22	2.48 x 10 ⁻⁷
IMP	1.02	1.48 x 10 ⁻⁴
IDP	0.38	7.75 x 10 ⁻³
dIMP	-1.43	6.16 x 10 ⁻³
Adenine	2.34	2.50 x 10 ⁻⁶
AMP	0.66	1.50 x 10 ⁻³
ADP	0.25	6.16 x 10 ⁻³
Uridine	2.35	2.35 x 10 ⁻⁴
Uracil	1.36	3.52 x 10 ⁻³
UMP	1.46	4.15 x 10 ⁻⁵
dCMP	1.32	2.50 x 10 ⁻⁶
GMP	-0.37	4.09 x 10 ⁻²
dGMP	0.64	2.49 x 10 ⁻³
L-Arg	-0.65	1.79 x 10 ⁻⁶
L-Asp	-0.60	1.31 x 10 ⁻⁶
L-Citrulline	-0.18	1.42 x 10 ⁻²
L-Cystathione	-0.18	3.70 x 10 ⁻³
L-Cysteate	-0.30	2.51 x 10 ⁻³
L-Glu	-0.39	3.18 x 10 ⁻⁵
L-Ser	-0.49	4.46 x 10 ⁻⁶
L-Met	-0.26	3.38 x 10 ⁻³
L-Val	0.51	5.69 x 10 ⁻⁴
L-Ile	0.28	8.54 x 10 ⁻³
L-Leu	-0.40	1.26 x 10 ⁻⁴
L-Lys	-0.46	4.83 x 10 ⁻³
L-Pro	1.92	2.48 x 10 ⁻⁷
L-Ornithine	0.67	2.11 x 10 ⁻⁴
L-Thr	-0.23	6.36 x 10 ⁻³
Homoserine	0.51	1.00 x 10 ⁻⁴
GSH	0.52	3.18 x 10 ⁻⁵
Methylmalonate	-0.28	1.48 x 10 ⁻⁴
N-Acetyl-L-Lysine	-0.29	1.27 x 10 ⁻³
3'-Methyladenine	-0.30	1.11 x 10 ⁻⁵
2'-Methylcitrate	2.78	1.48 x 10 ⁻⁴

Oxalate	-0.29	1.27 x 10 ⁻³
Pthalate	-0.37	4.60 x 10 ⁻³
Meso-2,6-Diaminopimelate	-0.64	9.55 x 10 ⁻⁷
D-Mannitol	0.28	1.39 x 10 ⁻²
D-Sorbitol	0.43	3.14 x 10 ⁻²
GDP-D-mannose	0.81	3.05 x 10 ⁻⁵
UDP-GlcNAc	0.83	1.19 x 10 ⁻⁴
D-Glucono-1,4-lactone	0.85	1.40 x 10 ⁻³
Biotin	2.66	2.04 x 10 ⁻³
Biopterin	1.75	1.02 x 10 ⁻²

^APositive fold change value denotes metabolites with significantly high abundance, while negative fold change value denotes metabolites with significantly lower abundance in *C. burnetii eirA*::Tn pFLAG-EirA samples. ^BBenjamini-Hochberg (BH).