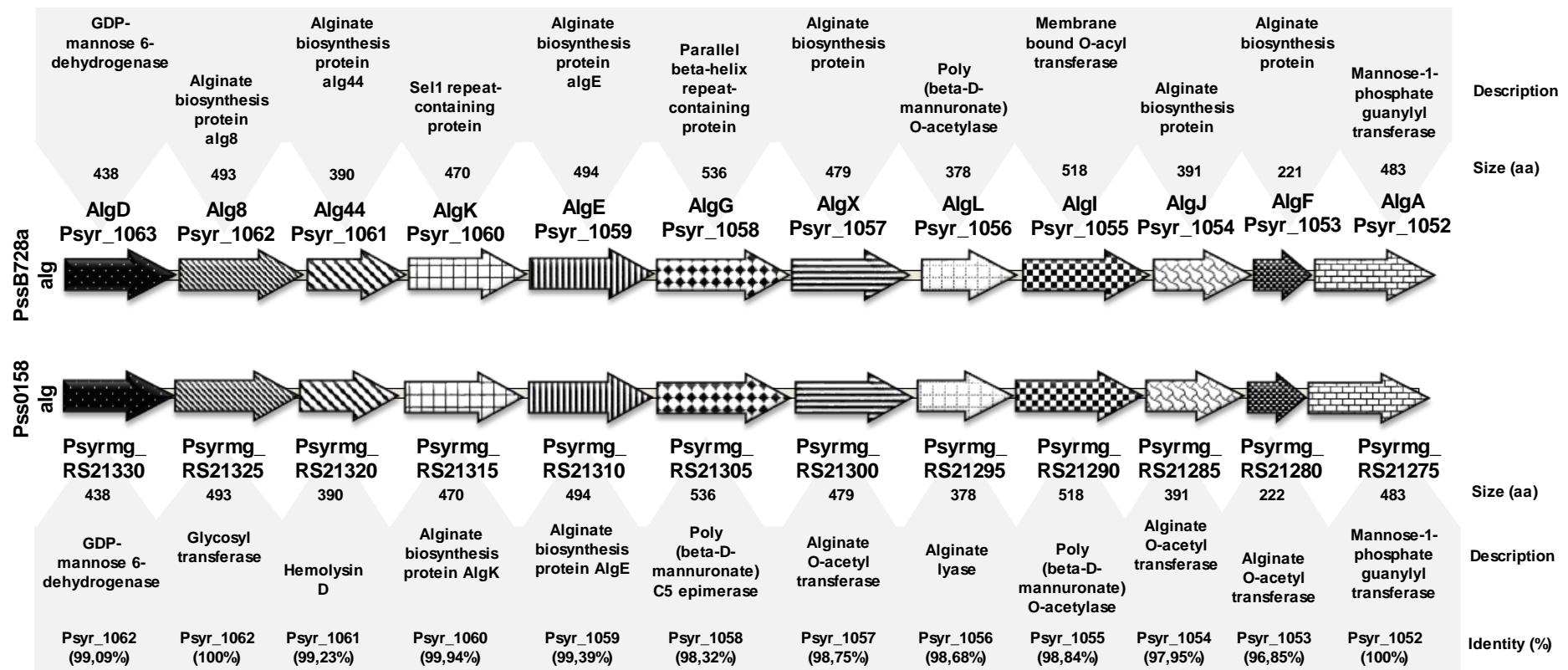
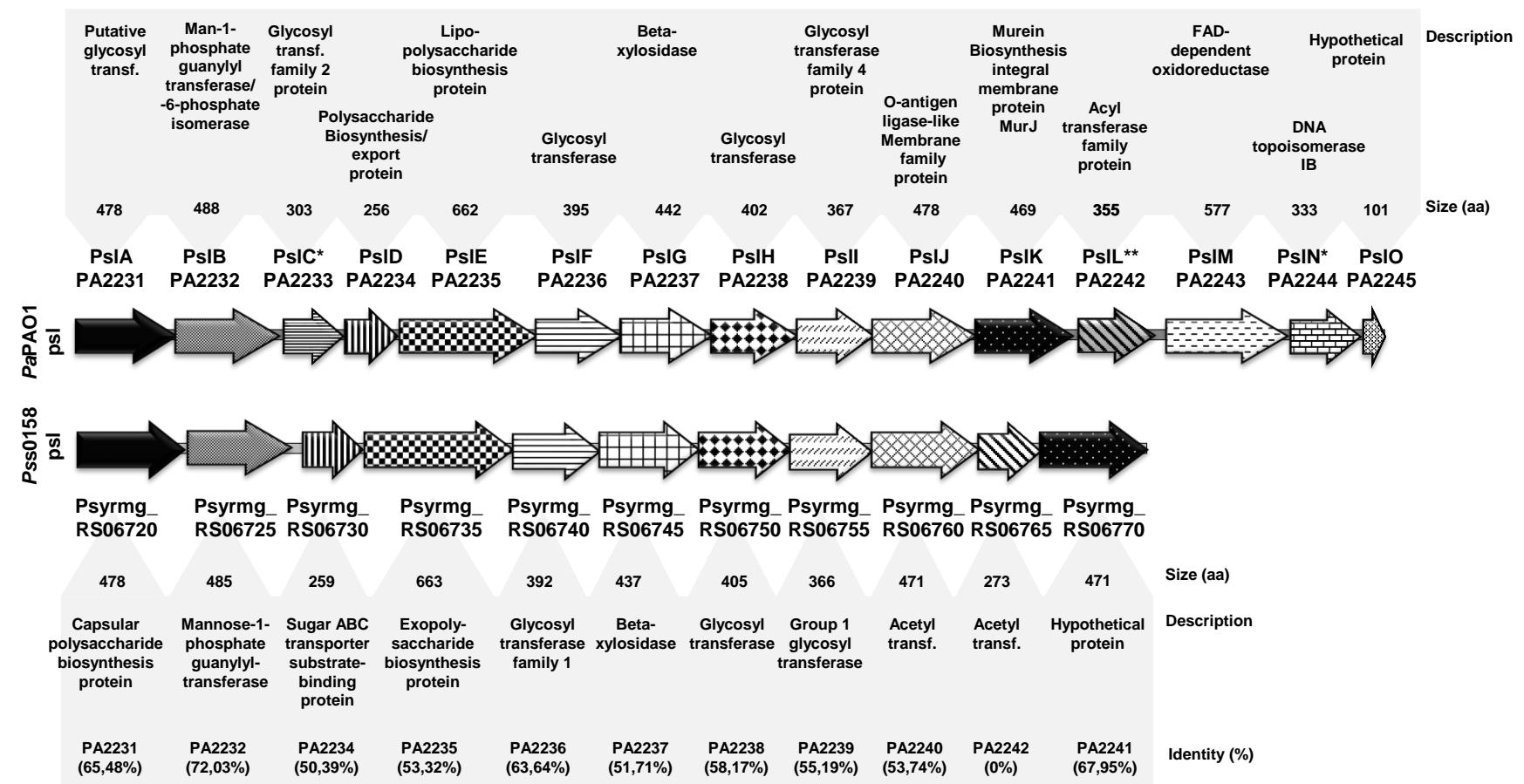


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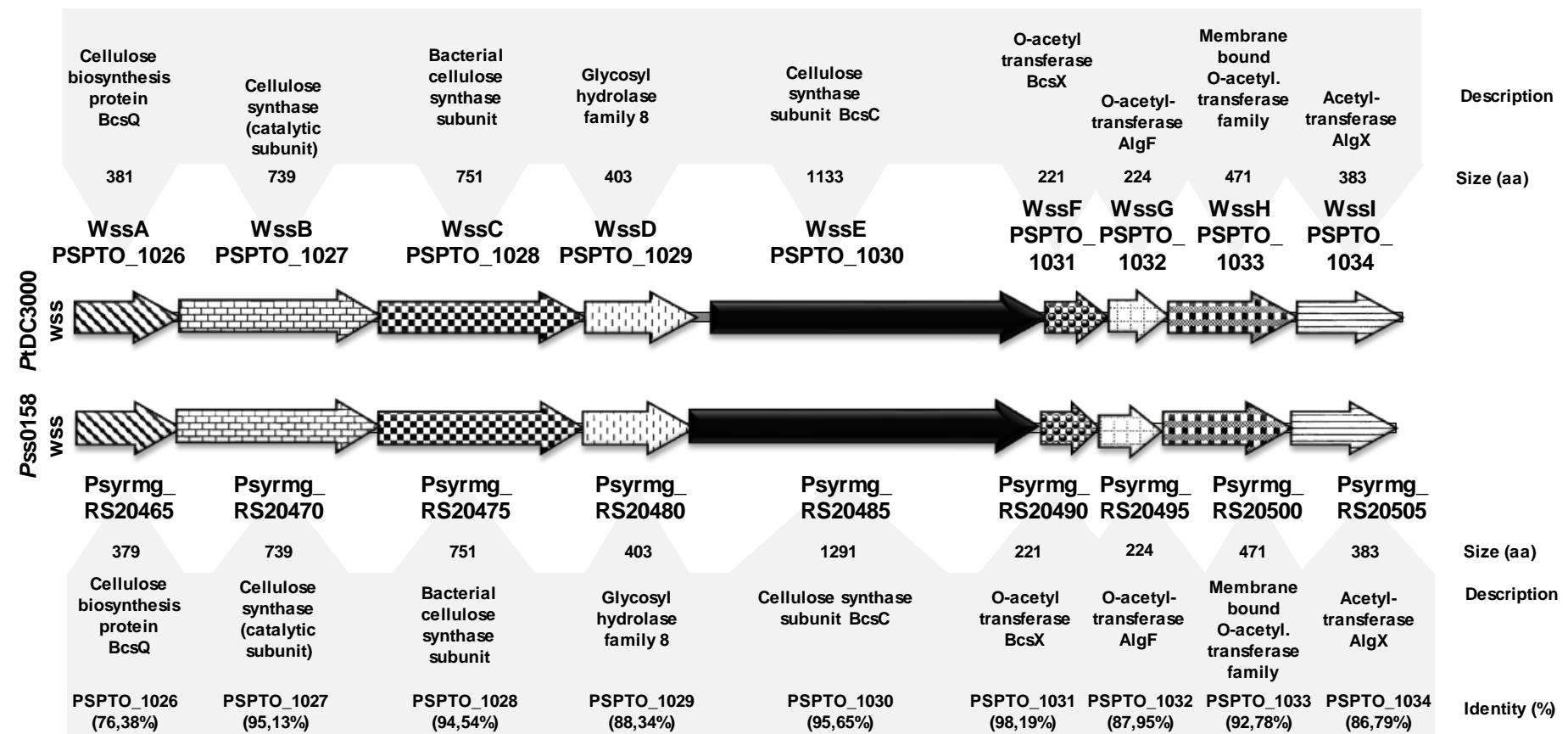
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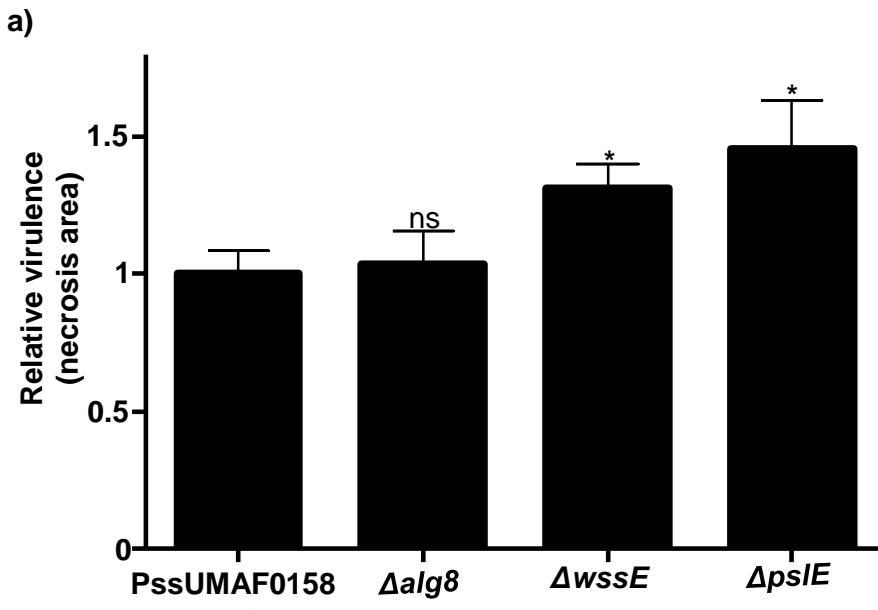
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PssUMAF0158 genome. However, the *psyrmg_RS06765* gene, located within the *psl*-like cluster, encodes an acetyltransferase that may replace the role of PsIL in PssUMAF0158. In fact, this has already been illustrated in the *P. syringae* B728a strain, in which the acetyltransferase Psyr_3310 encoded by a gene located between *pslJ* and *pslK* may fulfil the normal function of *pslL* in *P. aeruginosa* strains⁴⁰. The figure shows the sizes of the proteins as the number of amino acids, their functions and the percentage of identity between the two strains being compared. Putative functions have been obtained from the Pseudomonas Genome Database (<https://www.pseudomonas.com/>).



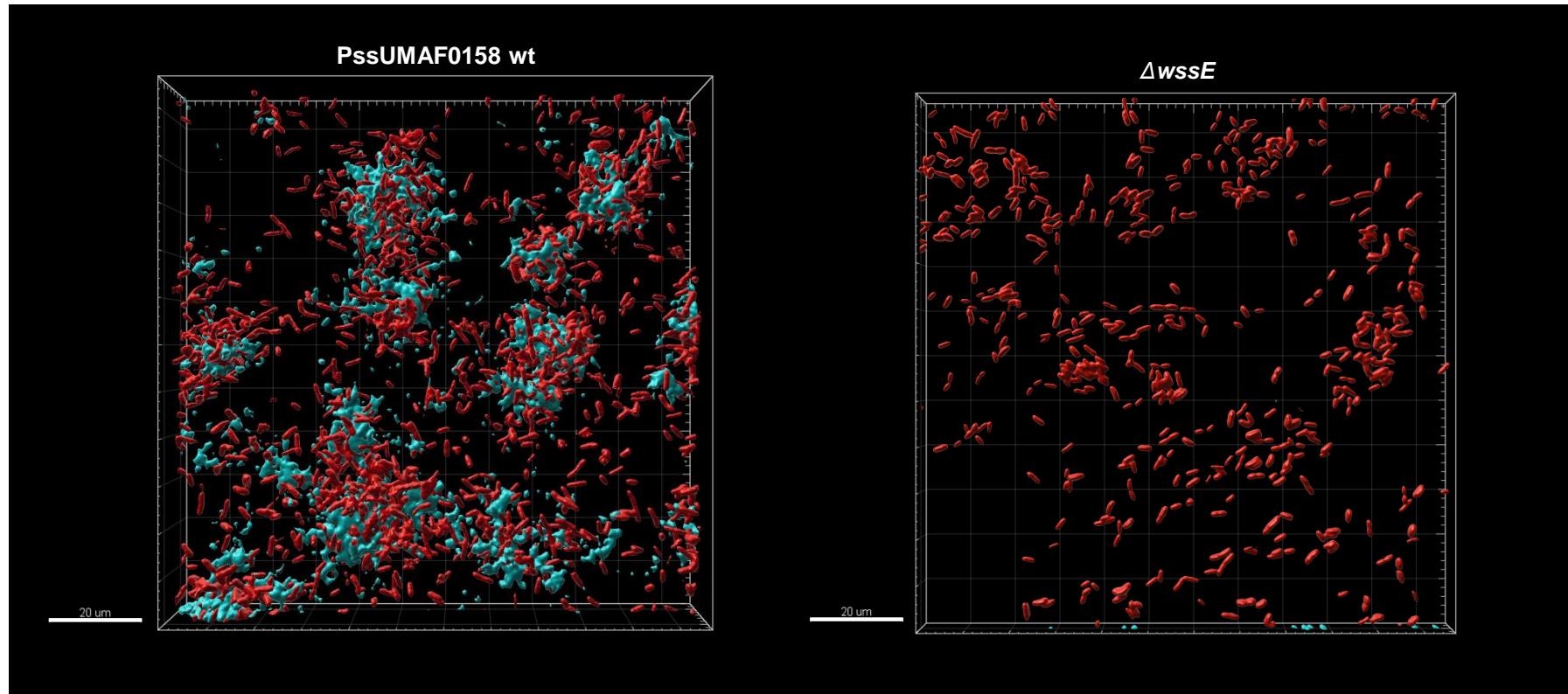
Supplementary Figure 3. Comparison of proteins encoded by the cellulose operon of *P. syringae* pv. tomato DC3000 (PtDC3000) and *P. syringae* pv. syringae UMAF0158 (PssUMAF0158). The Pspto_1026-Pspto_1034 region of PtDC3000 encodes cellulose polysaccharide, and the Psyrmg_RS20465-Psyrmg_RS20505 region of PssUMAF0158 was identified as an orthologue. The figure shows the sizes of the proteins as the number of amino acids, their functions and the percentage of identity between the two strains being

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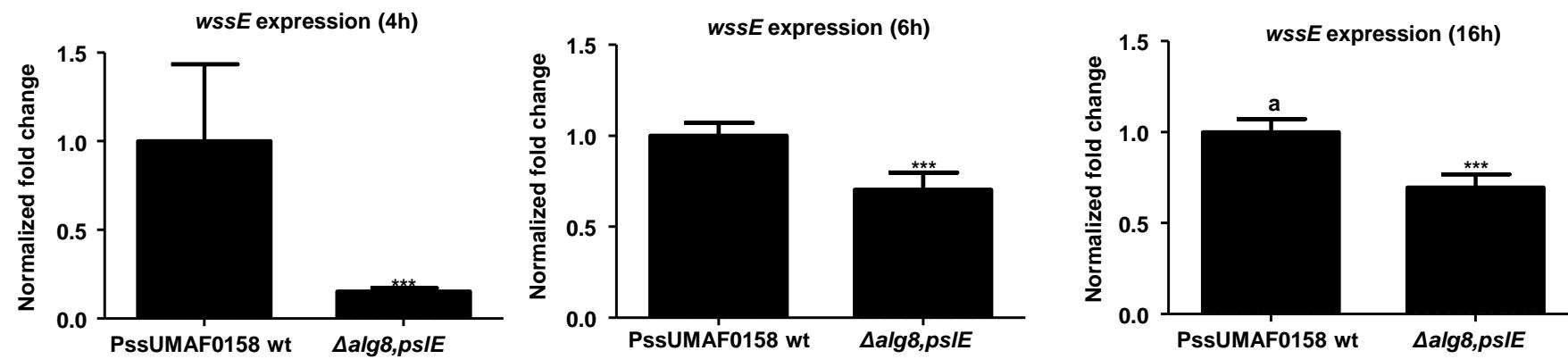


Supplementary Figure 4. Analysis of the alginate, cellulose and Psl-like polysaccharides as putative virulence factors of *P. syringae* pv. *syringae* UMAF0158. a) Relative virulence of PssUMAF0158 wild-type and extracellular matrix mutants in tomato leaflets measured

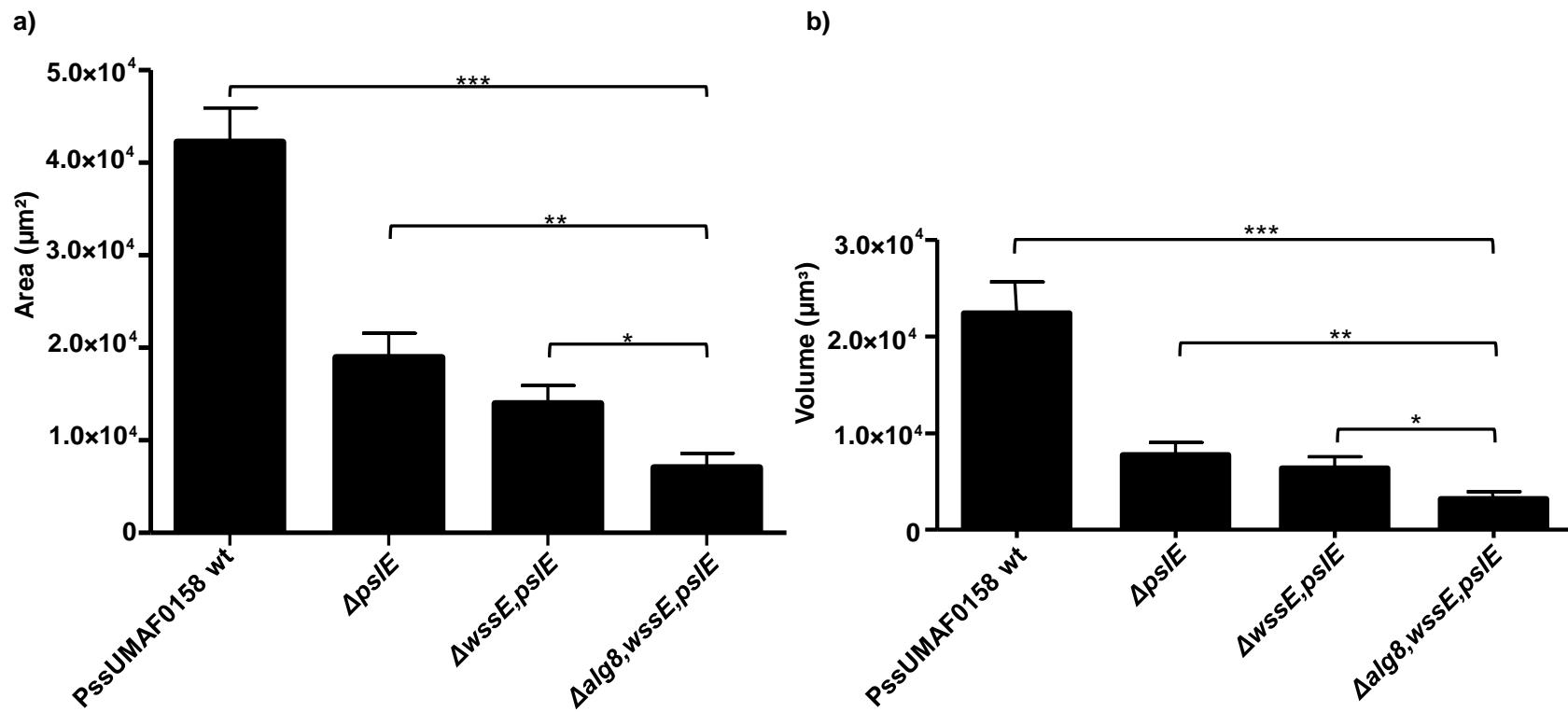
by lesion size. Four leaflets per experiment and three independent experiments were performed; b) Representative symptoms developed on tomato leaflets at 6 days postinoculation. No significant differences were found in virulence between wild-type and *Δalg8* mutant. PssUMAF0158 wild-type (PssUMAF0158 wt), PssUMAF0158 alginate mutant (*Δalg8*), PssUMAF0158 cellulose mutant (*ΔwssE*) and PssUMAF0158 Psl-like polysaccharide mutant (*ΔpslE*) were tested. Statistical significance was assessed by two-tailed Mann–Whitney test (*p<0.05). Error bars correspond to the standard error (SE).



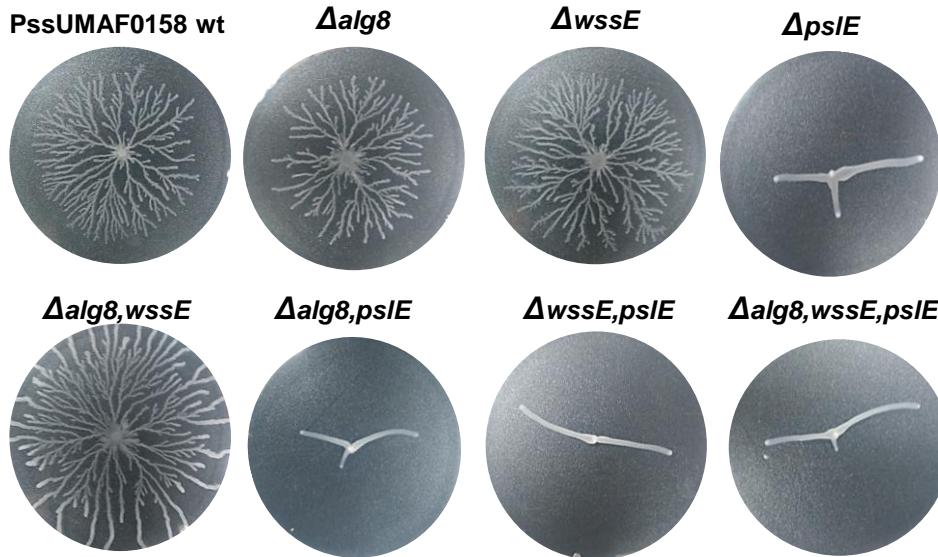
Supplementary Figure 5. Cellulose staining of the biofilm. Representative 12h 3D biofilm images of the dsRed-tagged *P. syringae* pv. *syringae* UMAF0158 wild-type (PssUMAF0158 wt) and dsRed-tagged cellulose mutant ($\Delta wssE$) stained with calcofluor dye (blue) are shown. The obtained images were analysed with the Leica Application Suite (Mannheim, Germany) and the IMARIS software package (Bitplane, Switzerland). Scale bar 20 μ m.



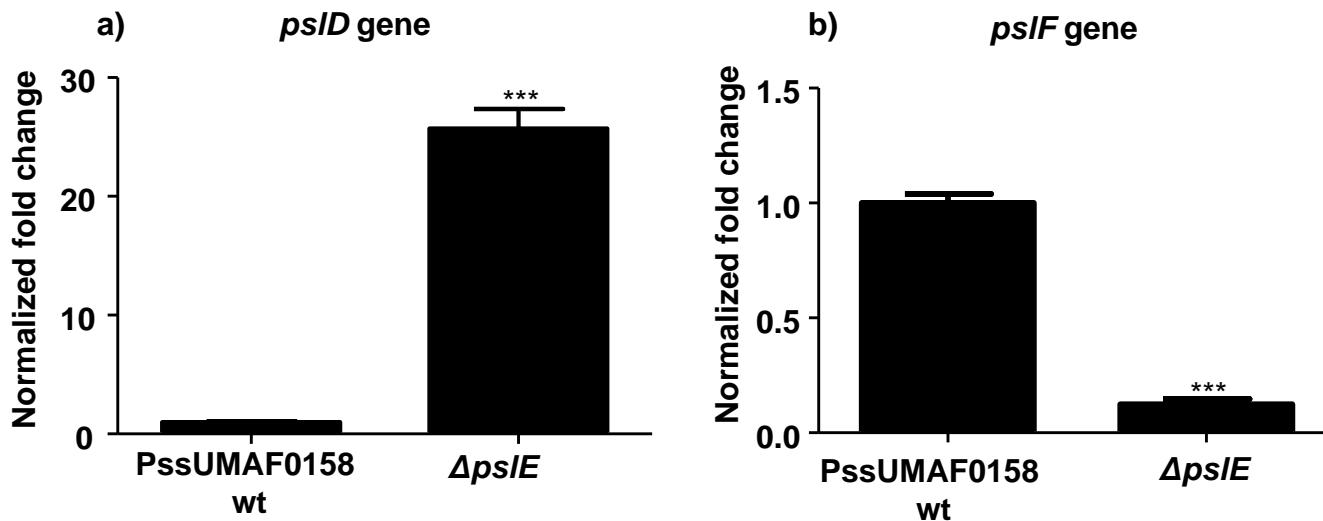
Supplementary Figure 6. qRT-PCR experiments of the *wssE* gene from pellicles after 4, 6- and 16h post-inoculation at 25°C. Results are shown as the fold-change expression of *wssE* gene in $\Delta alg8,pslE$ double mutant compared to the wild-type. Expression of *wssE* gene is lower in the double mutant compared to the wild-type, which is not consistent with the phenotype observed in $\Delta alg8,pslE$ regarding the binding of Congo red in the pellicles. PssUMAF0158 wild-type (PssUMAF0158 wt) and PssUMAF0158 $\Delta alg8,pslE$ double mutant ($\Delta alg8,pslE$) were tested. Statistical significance was assessed by two-tailed Mann–Whitney test (**p<0.001). Error bars correspond to the standard error (SE).



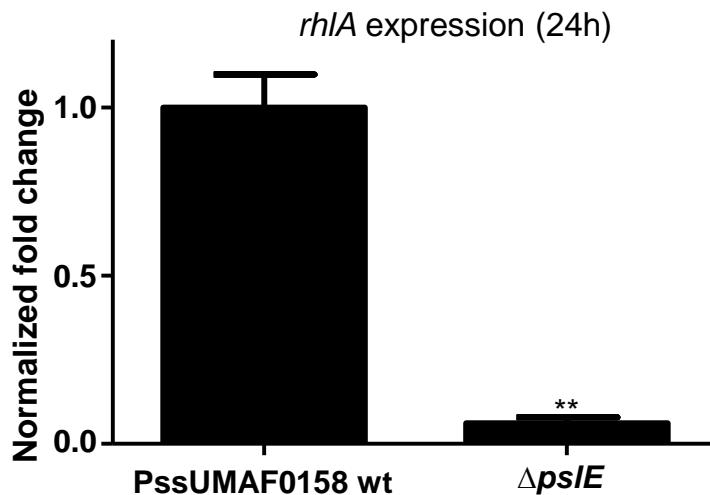
Supplementary Figure 7. Flow-cell chamber experiments. a) Area covered (μm^2) by 48h biofilms; b) Volume covered (μm^3) by 48h biofilms. PssUMAF0158 wild-type (PssUMAF0158 wt), PssUMAF0158 $\Delta psIE$ single mutant ($\Delta psIE$), PssUMAF0158 $\Delta wssE,psIE$ double mutant ($\Delta wssE,psIE$) and PssUMAF0158 $\Delta alg8,wssE,psIE$ triple mutant ($\Delta alg8,wssE,psIE$) were tested. Statistical significance was assessed by two-tailed Mann–Whitney test (*p<0.05, **p<0.01, ***p<0.001). Error bars correspond to the standard error (SE).



Supplementary Figure 8. Swarming motility. Representative images of swarming plates after 48h of growth at 25°C. The PssUMAF0158 wild-type (PssUMAF0158 wt), PssUMAF0158 alginate mutant ($\Delta alg8$), PssUMAF0158 cellulose mutant ($\Delta wssE$), PssUMAF0158 Psl-like polysaccharide mutant ($\Delta pslE$), PssUMAF0158 $\Delta alg8,wssE$ double mutant ($\Delta alg8,wssE$), PssUMAF0158 $\Delta alg8,pslE$ double mutant ($\Delta alg8,pslE$), PssUMAF0158 $\Delta wssE,pslE$ double mutant ($\Delta wssE,pslE$) and PssUMAF0158 $\Delta alg8,wssE,pslE$ triple mutant ($\Delta alg8,wssE,pslE$) mutants were tested.



Supplementary Figure 9. qRT-PCR experiments of the *psID* and *psIF* genes from TPG plates after 48h of growth at 25°C. Results are shown as the fold-change expression of the selected genes in the $\Delta psIE$ mutant strain compared to the wild-type. PssUMAF0158 wild-type (PssUMAF0158 wt) and PssUMAF0158 Psl-like mutant ($\Delta psIE$) strains were tested. Three independent RNA extractions and two technical replicates per extraction were assessed. Statistical analysis was assessed by two-tailed Mann-Whitney test (**>0.001). Error bars correspond to the standard error (SE).



Supplementary Figure 10. qRT-PCR experiments of the *rhlA* gene from TPG plate after 24h of growth at 25°C. Results are shown as the fold-change expression of *rhlA* gene in $\Delta psIE$ mutant compared to the wild-type. The expression of *rhlA* gene is lower in the mutant compared to the wild-type, which is consistent with the impairment in swarming motility observed in $\Delta psIE$ mutant. PssUMAF0158 wild-type (PssUMAF0158 wt) and PssUMAF0158 $\Delta psIE$ mutant ($\Delta psIE$) were tested. Statistical significance was assessed by two-tailed Mann–Whitney test (**p<0.01). Error bars correspond to the standard error (SE).

Supplementary Table 1. Domains of proteins encoded by the *psl* cluster of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* PAO1 and *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *syringae* UMAF0158 strains.

Supplementary Table 1a. *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* PAO1 strain.

Protein	Size (aa)	Domains		Description
			Domain position	
PslA	478	CoA_binding_3	70-248	CoA_binding
		Bac_transf	284-472	Bacteria sugar transferase
PslB	488	NTP_transferase	9-296	Nucleotidyl transferase
		MannoseP_isomer	325-475	Mannose-6-phosphate isomerase
PslC	303	Glyco_transf_2_3	3-220	Glycosyltransferase like family 2
PslD	256	Poly_export	49-129	Polysaccharide biosynthesis/export protein
PslE	662	GNVR	403-479	G-rich domain on putative tyrosine kinase
PslF	395	Glycos_transf_1	192-365	Glycosyl transferases group 1
PslG	442	Cellulase	48-285	Glycosyl hydrolase family 5
PslH	402	Glyco_trans_4_4	16-206	Glycosyl transferase 4-like domain
		Glyco_trans_1_4	222-359	Glycosyl transferases group 1
PslI	367	Glyco_transf_4	17-183	Glycosyltransferase Family 4
		Glyco_trans_1_4	204-308	Glycosyl transferases group 1

PslJ	478	-	-
PslK	469	MurJ	30-442 Lipid II flippase MurJ
PslL	355	Acyl_transf_3	7-322 Acyltransferase family
PslM	577	FAD_binding_2	14-549 FAD binding domain
PslN	333	Topoisom_I	94-266 Eukaryotic DNA topoisomerase I, catalytic core
PslO	101	-	No predicted domains

Supplementary Table 1b. *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *syringae* UMAF0158 strain.

Protein	Description	Identity	Size (aa)	Domains	Domain position	Domains description
PSYRMG_RS06720	Capsular polysaccharide biosynthesis protein	65,48% with PslA	478	CoA_binding_3 Bac_transf	70-248 284-472	CoA_binding Bacteria sugar transferase
PSYRMG_RS06725	Mannose-1-phosphate guanylyltransferase	72,03% with PslB	485	NTP_transferase MannoseP_isomer	6-294 323-473	Nucleotidyl transferase Mannose-6-phosphate isomerase
*PSYRMG_RS00890	Rhamnosyltransferase	48,84% with PslC	308	Glyco_transf_2_3	9-173 2	Glycosyltransferase like family
PSYRMG_RS06730	Sugar ABC transporter substrate-binding protein	50,39% with PslD	259	Poly_export	47-130	Polysaccharide biosynthesis/export protein
PSYRMG_RS06735	Exopolysaccharide biosynthesis protein	53,32% with PslE	663	No predicted domains	-	-
PSYRMG_RS06740	Glycosyl transferase family 1	63,64% with PslF	392	Glycos_transf_1	189-367	Glycosyl transferases group 1
PSYRMG_RS06745	Beta-xylosidase	51,71% with PslG	437	Cellulase	47-279	Glycosyl hydrolase family 5

PSYRMG_	Glycosyl transferase	58,17% with	405	Glyco_trans_4_4	16-205	Glycosyl transferase 4-like
RS06750	PslH					domain
				Glyco_trans_1_4	222-235	Glycosyl transferases group 1
PSYRMG_	Group 1 glycosyl transferase	55,19% with	366	Glycos_transf_1	200-308	Glycosyl transferases group 1
RS06755	PslI					
PSYRMG_	Hypothetical protein	53,74% with	471	Wzy_C	252-380	O-Antigen ligase
RS06760	PslJ					
PSYRMG_	Acetyltransferase	0%	273	Hexapep	202-235	Bacterial transferase
RS06765						hexapeptide (six repeats)
PSYRMG_	Hypothetical protein	67,95% with	471	MurJ	28-434	Lipid II flippase MurJ
RS06770	PslK					
*PSYRMG_	DNA topoisomerase	59,28% with	356	Topoisom_I	94-292	Eukaryotic DNA topoisomerase
RS04445	PslN					I, catalytic core

*These genes are encoded outside the putative *psl*-like cluster.

Supplementary Table 2. Strains belonging to representative plant-associated phylogenetic groups of the *Pseudomonas syringae* complex.

Strain	Code	Isolation	Phylogroup (PG)	Accession number
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. aceris strain ICMP2802	PsaICMP2802PG2	Acer sp.	2	NZ_LJPM00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. aceris strain A10853	PsaA10853PG2	-	2	NZ_LGAR00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. syringae B728a	PssB728aPG2	Bean	2	NZ_QJTV00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. syringae B301D	PssB301DPG2	Pear	2	NZ_CP005969.1
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. aptata str. DSM50252	PsaDSM50252PG2	Sugar beet	2	AEAN00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. atrofaciens strain LMG5095	PsaLMG5095PG2	Common wheat	2	NZ_CP028490.1
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. syringae UMAF0158	PssUMAF0158PG2	Mango	2	NZ_CP005970.1
<i>Pseudomonas caricapapayae</i> ICMP2855	PcICMP2855PG6	Carica papaya	6	NZ_LJPW00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. helianthi strain ICMP4531	PshICMP4531PG6	Sunflower	6	NZ_LJQM00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. tagetis strain ICMP4091	PstICMP4091PG6	Tagetes erecta	6	NZ_LJRM00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas savastanoi</i> pv. savastanoi NCPPB 3335	PssNCPPB3335PG3	Olive	6	NZ_CP008742.1
<i>Pseudomonas savastanoi</i> pv. phaseolicola 1448A	Psp1448APG3	Bean	3	NC_005773.3
<i>Pseudomonas savastanoi</i> pv. glycinea strain ICMP2189	PsgICMP2189PG3	Soybean	3	NZ_LJQL00000000.1

<i>Pseudomonas coronafaciens</i> pv. <i>coronafaciens</i> strain 3113	Pc3113PG4	Oat	4	NZ_RBUJ00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas coronafaciens</i> pv. <i>porri</i> strain ICMP8961	PcpICMP8961PG4	Leek	4	NZ_LJRA00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas coronafaciens</i> pv. <i>oryzae</i> strain I_6	Pc1_6PG4	Rice	4	NZ_CP046035.1
<i>Pseudomonas coronafaciens</i> pv. <i>garcae</i> strain ICMP4323	PcgICMP4323PG4	Coffee	4	NZ_LJQK00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas cannabina</i> strain ICMP 2823	PcICMP2823PG5	Hemp	5	NZ_FNKU00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas cannabina</i> strain ICMP 2821	PcICMP2821PG5	Hemp	5	NZ_RBOW00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. <i>coriandricola</i> strain ICMP12471	PscICMP12471PG5	Coriander	5	NZ_LJPZ00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> CC1557	PsCC1557	Snow	10	
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. <i>actinidiae</i> str. NCPPB 3871	PsaNCPPB3871PG1	Kiwi	1	NZ_LKEN00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. <i>actinidiae</i> str. NCPPB 3739	PsaNCPPB3739PG1	Kiwi	1	NZ_AFTH00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. <i>delphinii</i> strain ICMP529	PsdICMP529PG1	<i>Delphinium</i> sp.	1	NZ_LJQH00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. <i>tomato</i> str. DC3000	Pst3000PG1	Tomato	1	NC_004578.1
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. <i>apii</i> strain ICMP2814	PsaICMP2814PG1	Celery	1	NZ_LJPR00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. <i>tomato</i> NCPPB 1108	PstNCPPB1108PG1	Tomato	1	NZ_ADGA00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. <i>maculicola</i> strain ICMP3935	PsmICMP3935PG1	Broccoli	1	NZ_LJQR00000000.1

<i>Pseudomonas viridiflava</i> strain CFBP 1590	PvCFBP1590PG7_8	Tomato	7	NZ_LT855380.1
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<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. <i>ribicola</i> strain ICMP3882	PsrICMP3882PG7	Golden currant	7	NZ_LJRF00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas cichorii</i> strain ICMP 3353	PcICMP3353PG11	Tomato	11	NZ_RBRE00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas cichorii</i> strain ICMP 6917	PcICMP6917PG11	Safflower	11	NZ_RBRY00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas cichorii</i> strain ICMP 1649	PcICMP1649PG11	Celery	11	NZ_RBPN00000000.1
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> PAO1	PaPAO1	Outgroup		NC_002516.2

Supplementary Table 3. Primers used in this study.

Primers code	Primers sequence 5'→3'	Use	Reference
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<i>alg8</i> _HindIII_fw_down	<u>AAGCTT</u> GACTCACTATAGGGATGAATACAGCCGTGAATGC	To amplify <i>alg8</i>	This study
<i>alg8</i> _rv_down	CGCTCAGGTTGGTGCTGCTG	downstream sequence	
<i>wssE</i> _fw_up	CAACCACAGCACCTCCGAAG	To amplify <i>wssE</i>	This study
<i>wssE</i> _HindIII_rv_up	<i>CCCTATA</i> GTGAGTCA <u>AAGCTT</u> GACGTCTCCCAGGATAATTG	upstream sequence (1022 pb)	
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<i>wssE</i> _rv_down	CTACCGTCGGACTGTGCGGT	downstream sequence (1023 pb)	
<i>pslE</i> _fw_up	CACACGCATCGTCTGGTCAA	To amplify <i>pslE</i> upstream	This study
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<i>pslE</i> _rv_down	CATGCCGTTGCCATGCGAGA	downstream sequence (1042 pb)	
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<i>alg8</i> _fw		and rbs sequence (1530 pb)	
Compl_BamHI_	AAT <u>CTAGAT</u> CAAACCATCGTCAACAGCA		
<i>alg8</i> _rv			

Compl_HindIII_wssE_fw	<u>AAAAAAGCTTCTATCAGTTCCGTGAAGACG</u>	To amplify the <i>wssE</i> gene	This study
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qRT-PCR158_rpoD_F	CGAAGAACGGCATCCGTGAAG	To amplify a fragment of	This study
qRT-PCR158_rpoD_R	CTCAGAACATCGAAAGGCG	the <i>rpoD</i> gene by q-RT-PCR (120 pb)	
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qPCR_pslF_F	CGTGATGGTTCTGCCCTATC	To amplify a fragment of	This study
qPCR_pslF_R	GTTGCCATGCGAGACTTCTT	the <i>pslF</i> gene by q-RT-	

		PCR (154 pb)
B1	CTTCCGTGGTCTTGATGAGG	To amplify a fragment of Sorensen et
B2	<u>TCGATT</u> GTGCCGTGATGAGTC	the <i>syrB</i> gene (752 pb) al. 1998

Nucleotide bases in italics show the sequences used for the fusion of the fragments amplified for mutation. Underlined bases show restriction sequences.