

# Supplementary Materials

## Coupling an electroactive *Pseudomonas putida* KT2440 with bioelectrochemical rhamnolipid production

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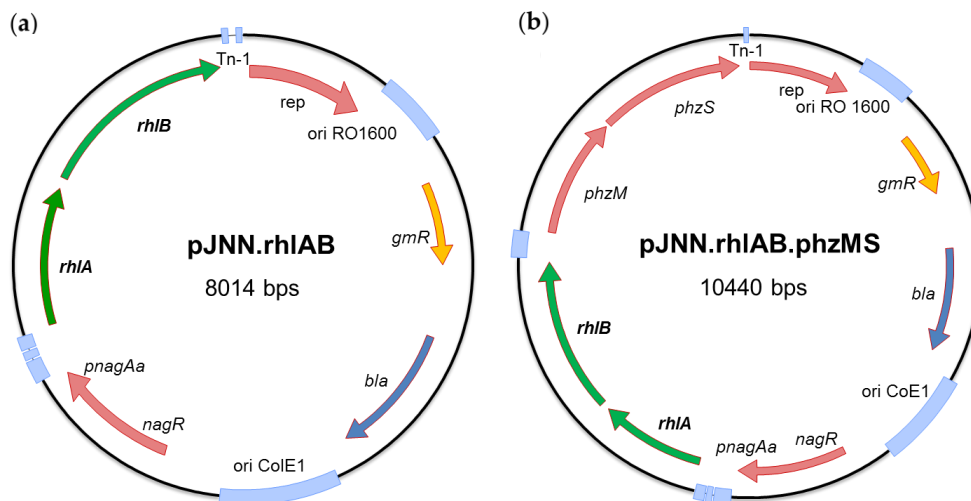
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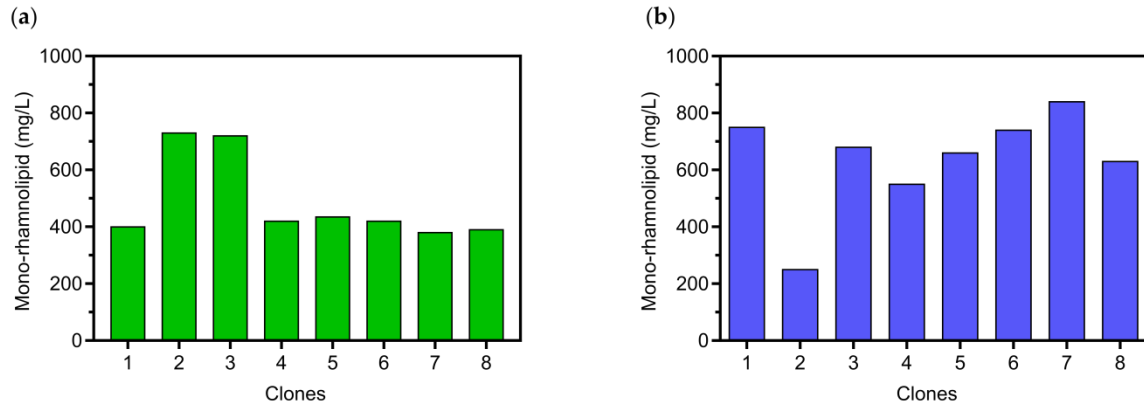
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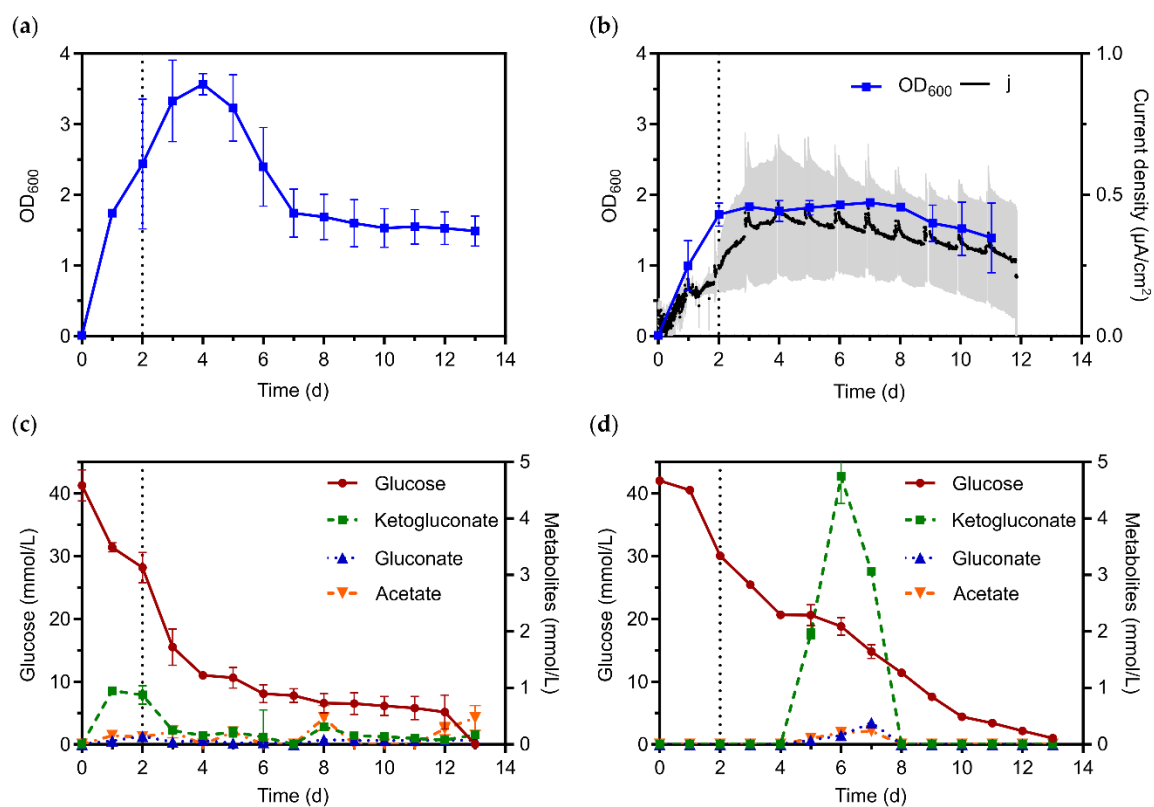
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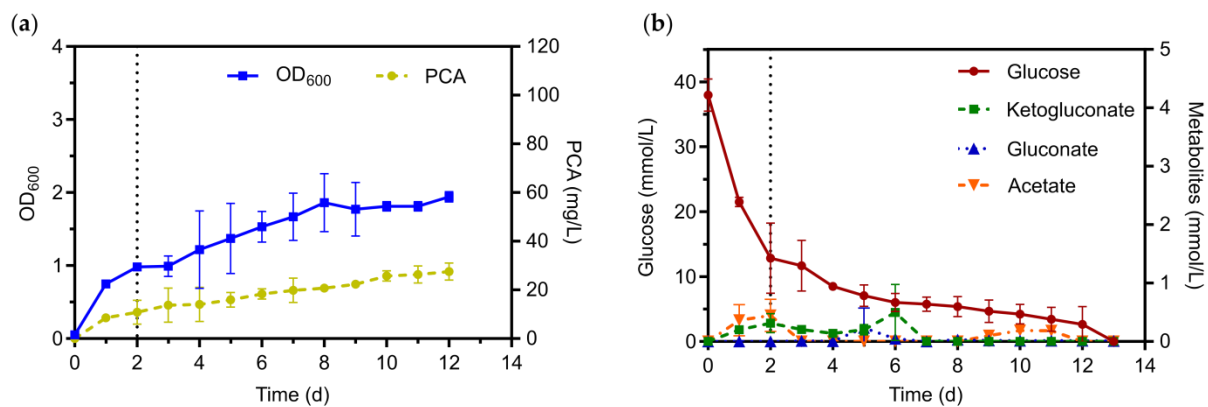
**Figure S1:** Constructed vectors expressing genes for mono-rhamnolipid- and phenazine synthesis. (a) pJNN.rhlAB, expressing the *rhlA* and *rhlB* genes from *P. aeruginosa* PAO1; (b) pJNN.rhlAB.phzMS, expressing the *rhlA*, *rhlB*, *phzM*, and *phzS* genes from *P. aeruginosa* PAO1. Both plasmids also contain the following elements: the gentamycin resistance cassette (*gmR*) for *Pseudomonas*, the ampicillin resistance cassette for *E.coli* (*bla*), the terminator (*Tn-1*), the origin of replication (*oriRO1600* for *Pseudomonas* and *oriColE1* for *E.coli*), and the salicylate-induced promoter (*pnagAa/nagR*).



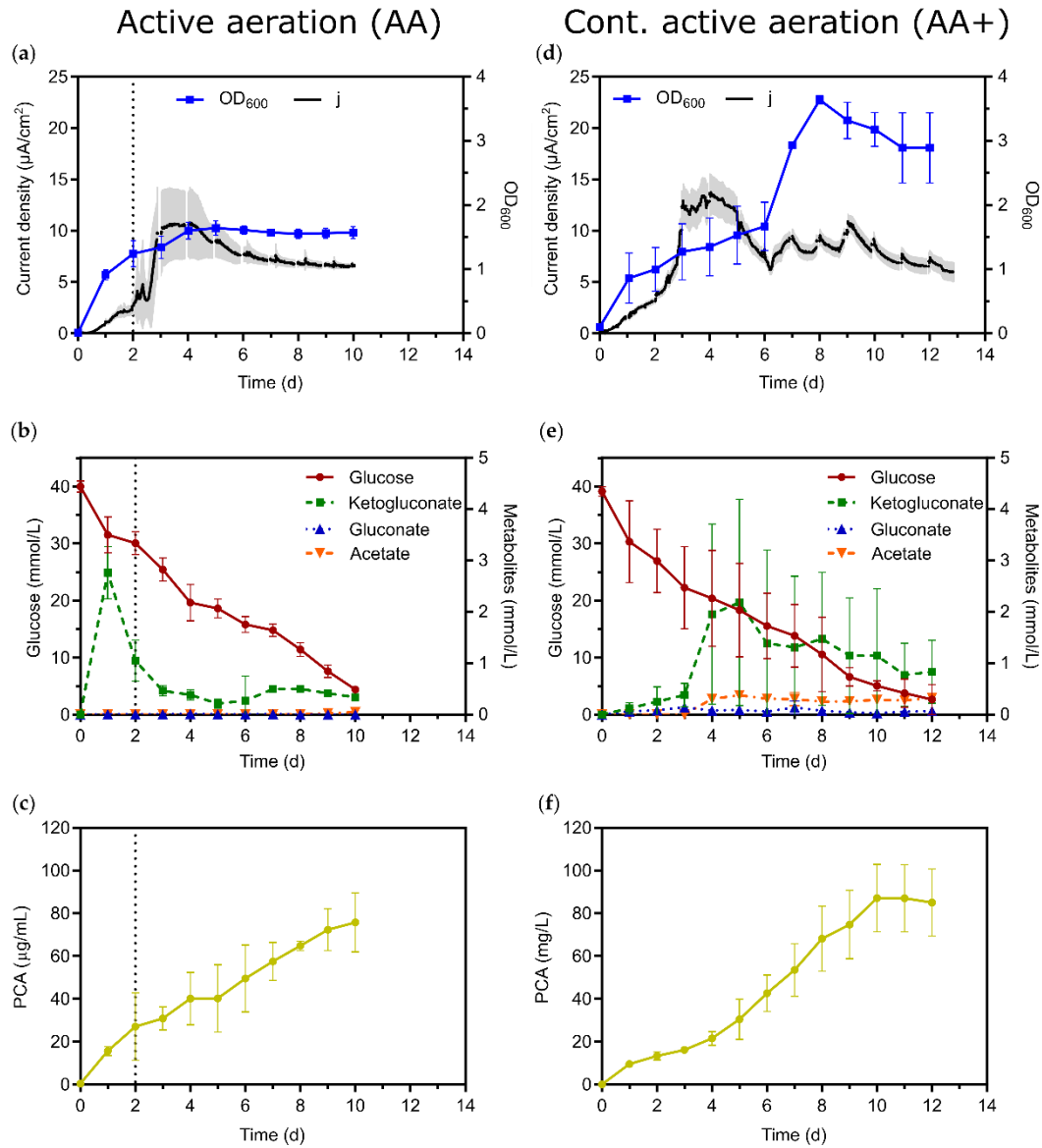
**Figure S2:** Heterologous rhamnolipid production of eight independent *P. putida* KT2440 clones cultivated in a micro-cultivation platform in LB media for 24 hours. (a) *P. putida* RL (carrying the pJNN.rhlAB plasmid); (b) *P. putida* RL-MS (carrying the pJNN.rhlAB.phzMS plasmid).



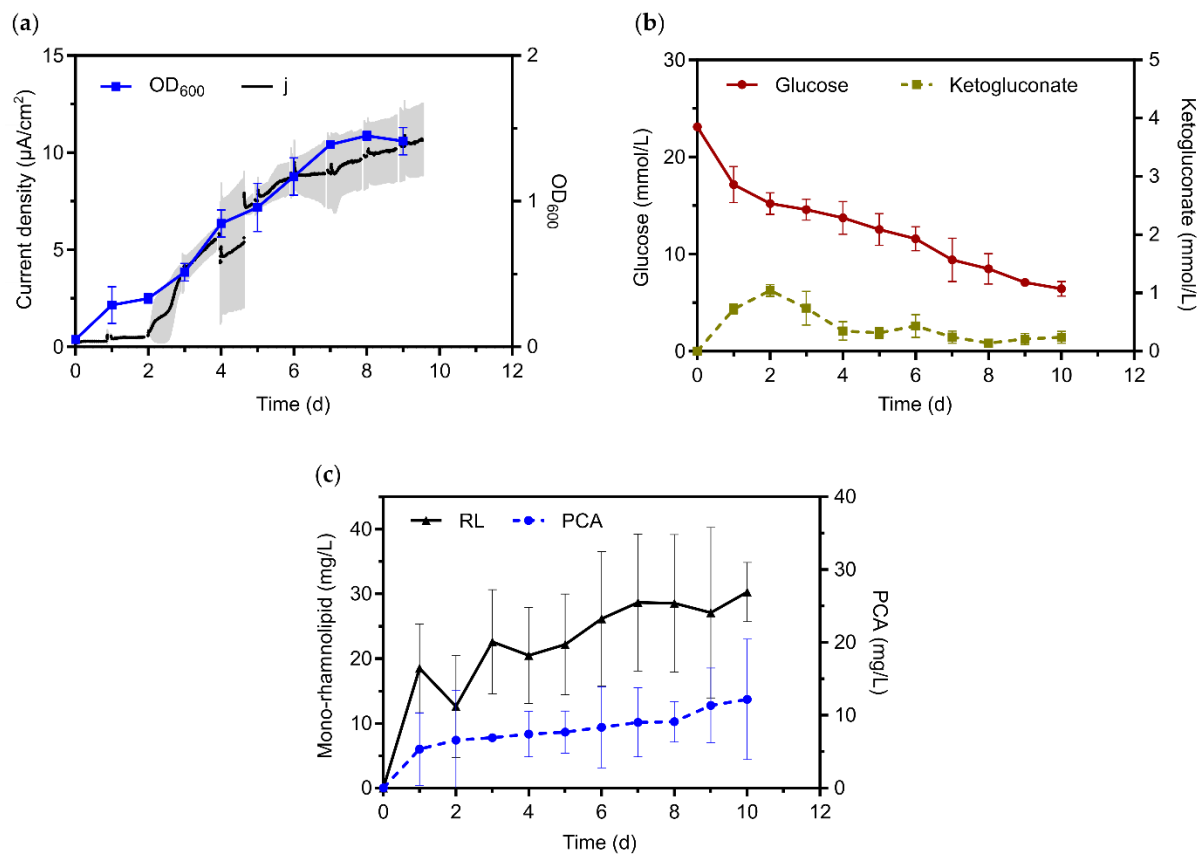
**Figure S3:** *P. putida* RL cultivation in 500-ml benchtop bioelectrochemical systems at open circuit ((a) & (c)) and with ((b) & (d)) an applied potential of 0.2 V (vs. Ag/AgCl). The reactors were actively aerated for the first 48 h with 30 mL/min followed by passive aeration of the headspace through open vent filters (dotted vertical line) (n=3). Rhamnolipids could not be detected.



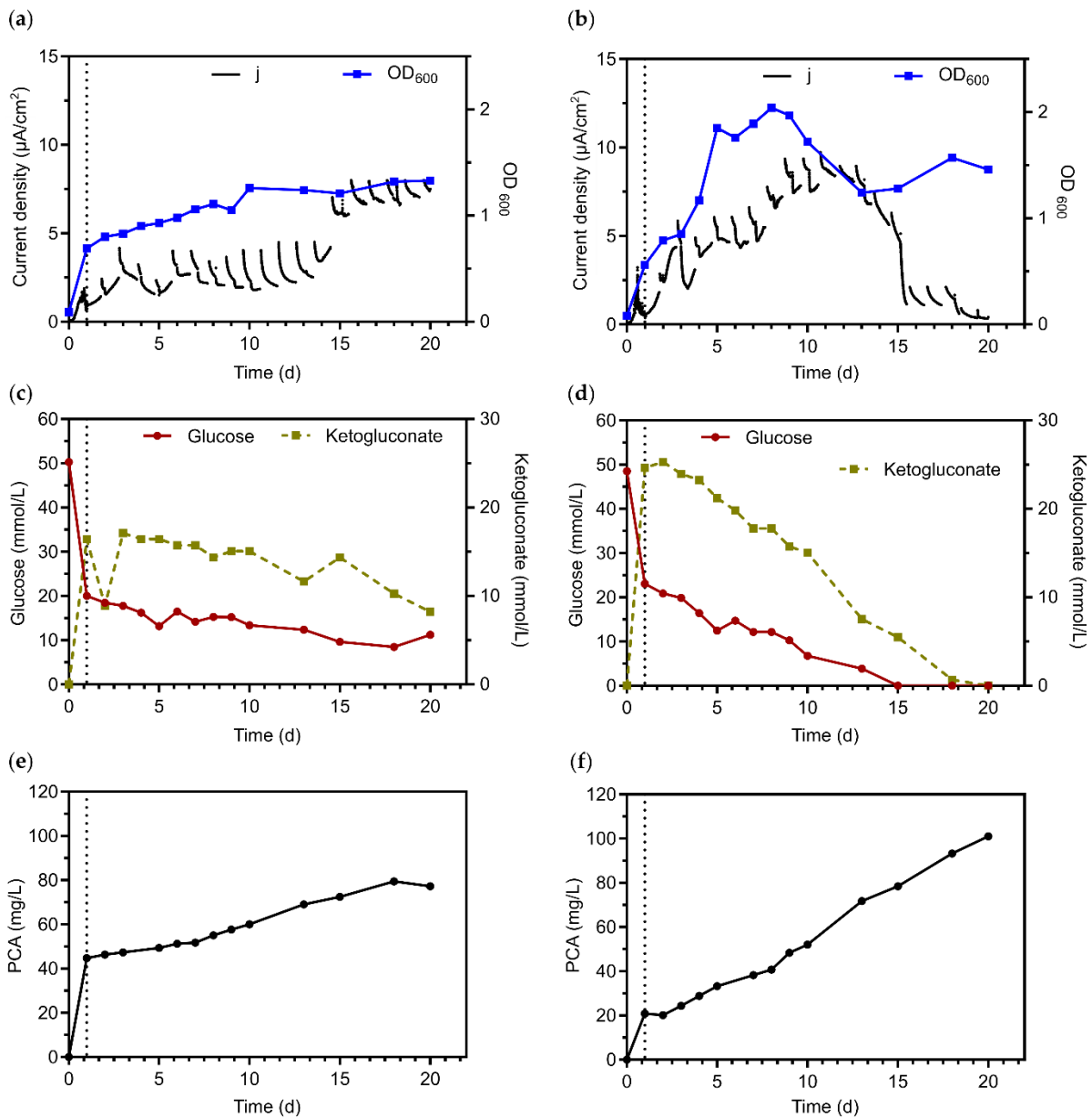
**Figure S4:** *P. putida* RL-PCA cultivation in 500-ml benchtop bioelectrochemical systems at open circuit potential. The reactors were actively aerated for the first 48 h with 30 mL/min followed by passive aeration of the headspace through open vent filters (dotted vertical line) (n=3). Rhamnolipids could not be detected.



**Figure S5:** *P. putida* RL-PCA cultivations in 500-ml benchtop bioelectrochemical systems at an applied potential of 0.2 V (vs. Ag/AgCl). (a)-(c): The reactors were actively aerated for the first 48 h with 30 mL/min followed by passive aeration of the headspace through open vent filters (dotted vertical line) ( $n=3$ ). (d)-(e) The reactors were actively aerated throughout the entire experiment at a flow rate of 50 mL/min ( $n=3$ ). Rhamnolipids could not be detected.



**Figure S6:** Repetition of passively aerated 500-ml benchtop bioelectrochemical systems of *P. putida* RL-PCA at an applied potential of 0.2 V (n=3), showing data for cell density (OD<sub>600</sub>) and current production (a), glucose consumption and 2-ketogluconate production (b), formation of PCA and rhamnolipids (RL) (c).



**Figure S7:** Duplicate bioelectrochemical systems 1-L electrobioreactor of *P. putida* RL-PCA at an applied potential of 0.2 V, showing data for cell density ( $\text{OD}_{600}$ ) and current production ((a) & (b)), glucose consumption and 2-ketogluconate production ((c) & (d)), as well as formation of PCA ((e) & (f)). The reactors were actively aerated for the first 24 h of the experiment and afterwards operated under passive aeration (dotted line). Rhamnolipids could not be detected.

**Table S1:** Primers used for tailoring heterologous rhamnolipid-producing *P. putida* with phenazine production.

No	Primer	Sequence 5'	Function
1	<i>rhlAB</i> -f	GTACCGAATTCCTCGAGTGGG CTCAACCTGGGAACTG	amplifying the <i>rhlAB</i> genes from PAO1, containing a Xba1 restriction site with overlapping regions for Gibson assembly to the pJNN plasmid backbone
2	<i>rhlAB</i> -r	CCGACGTCGCATGCTCCTCAC CGCTACACAGGAAATTC	
3	<i>rhlAB.MS</i> -f	GTCTTTTTTCGGCCGCGTACCA GGAGGAGAGATG	amplifying the <i>rhlAB</i> genes from PAO1, containing a Xba1 restriction site with overlapping regions for Gibson assembly to the pJNN.MS plasmid backbone
4	<i>rhlAB.MS</i> -r	CTGGATCTGGCCTAGGACTCT AGAATTCAGGACGC	
5	CP. <i>rhlAB</i> -f	AGATGCGGCGCGAAAGTCTG	amplifying part of the <i>rhlA</i> gene up to the <i>nagR/pNagAa</i> promoter region of the pJNN plasmid backbone (colony PCR verification)
6	CP. <i>rhlAB</i> -r	CGCGCCTGCTCGTATTCGCC	
7	CP.M+S. <i>rhlAB</i> -f	CTAGGCCAGATCCAGCGG	amplifying part of the <i>rhlA</i> gene up to the <i>nagR/pNagAa</i> promoter region of the pJNN.MS plasmid backbone (colony PCR verification)
8	CP.M+S. <i>rhlAB</i> -r	GCGGCCGAAAAAAGACCCGC	
9	Seq_ <i>rhlA</i>	TGGCCGAACATTTCAACGTG	sequencing of the <i>rhlA</i> gene
10	Seq_ <i>rhlB</i>	CTGTTCGACGGCAGTATCCC	sequencing the <i>rhlB</i> gene