

**S2 Table. Spore coat and spore crust genes identified by Tn-seq.**

<b>Gene</b>	<b>p-value</b>	<b>Tn. fold change <math>\Delta</math>ssdC /WT<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Possible product</b>
<i>cotC</i>	$1.95 \times 10^{-2}$	1.6	Spore coat protein (outer)
<i>cotE</i>	$3.20 \times 10^{-4}$	333.3	Outer spore coat morphogenetic protein
<i>cotG</i>	$7.91 \times 10^{-3}$	1.2	Outer spore coat protein
<i>cotH</i>	$< 10^{-7}$	6.5	Protein kinase, required for the assembly of several outer coat proteins
<i>cotJA</i>	$4.35 \times 10^{-2}$	3.0	Unknown, polypeptide composition of the spore coat
<i>cotM</i>	$1.08 \times 10^{-2}$	2.6	Spore coat protein (outer)
<i>cotO</i>	$1.43 \times 10^{-2}$	1.3	Spore coat morphogenetic protein
<i>cotR</i>	$4.26 \times 10^{-2}$	1.1	Outer spore coat lipolytic enzyme
<i>cotS</i>	$2.27 \times 10^{-2}$	1.5	Outer spore coat protein
<i>cotSA</i>	$1.78 \times 10^{-2}$	1.4	Spore coat protein
<i>cotY</i>	$2.11 \times 10^{-3}$	500.0	Main structural component of the spore crust
<i>cotZ</i>	$4.20 \times 10^{-4}$	71.4	Spore crust anchor protein
<i>safA</i>	$< 10^{-7}$	25.6	Spore coat morphogenetic protein and major organizer of the inner spore coat
<i>spoVID</i>	$1.50 \times 10^{-4}$	250.0	Spore coat morphogenetic protein, promotes encasement of the spore

**Legend:**

<sup>a</sup> Fold-difference in the number of transposon insertions: e.g. the  $\Delta$ ssdC mutant had 333.3-fold less transposon insertions than the WT.