

Supplemental Table 1. Strains used in this study

Code	Strain Name	Relevant Genotype	Antibiotic resistance ^a	Relevant Features	Ref ^b
	TIGR4	WT	N/A	<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i> serotype 4 Strain TIGR4	[1]
	WU2	WT	N/A	<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i> serotype 3 Strain WU2	[2]
	D39	WT	N/A	<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i> serotype 2 Strain D39	[3]
SpnTB4	Δcps	TIGR4 <i>cps::cat</i>	Cm	Replacement of the whole <i>cps</i> locus by an Erythromycin resistance cassette	[4]
SpNTB25	$\Delta lytA$	TIGR4 $\Delta lytA::erm$	Ery	Replacement of the gene <i>lytA</i> by an Erythromycin resistance cassette	[4]
SpNTB102	$\Delta lytA \Delta cps$	TIGR4 <i>cps::cat</i> $\Delta lytA::erm$	Cm Ery	Replacement of the gene <i>lytA</i> by an Erythromycin resistance cassette in a non-encapsulated background	[4]
SpNTB86	TIGR4 ^{ISO4}		Sm	TIGR4 expressing serotype 4 capsule	[4]
SpNTB88	TIGR4 ^{ISO2}		Sm	TIGR4 expressing serotype 2 capsule	[4]
SpNEM42	TIGR4 ^{ISO5}		Sm	TIGR4 expressing serotype 5 capsule	[4]
SpNTB45	TIGR4 ^{ISO6A}		Sm	TIGR4 expressing serotype 6A capsule	[4]
SpNTB59	TIGR4 ^{ISO7A}		Sm	TIGR4 expressing serotype 7A capsule	[4]
SpNEM12	TIGR4 ^{ISO11A}		Sm	TIGR4 expressing serotype 11A capsule	[4]
SpNEM13	TIGR4 ^{ISO19F}		Sm	TIGR4 expressing serotype 19F capsule	[4]
SpNEM14	TIGR4 ^{ISO19A}		Sm	TIGR4 expressing serotype 19A capsule	[4]
SpnTB62	TIGR4 ^{ISO23F}		Sm	TIGR4 expressing serotype 23F capsule	[4]
SpNTB97	WU2 ^{ISO4}		Sm	WU2 expressing serotype 4 capsule	[4]
SpNTB112	WU2 ^{ISO2}		Sm	WU2 expressing serotype 2 capsule	[4]
	BLS101		N/A	TIGR4 expressing 33A capsule	[5]
	BLS140	$\Delta wciJ::aad9$ <i>wcJE::nptII-rpsL</i>	Kn Spc	TIGR4 expressing non O-Acetylated 33 capsule	[5]
	TIGRJS		Kn Sm	Non encapsulated TIGR4 containing janus cassette	[5]
1	MNK1178		N/A	Serotype 1 Clinical isolate	[4]
2	MNK0300		N/A	Serotype 5 Clinical isolate	[4]
3	MNK0009		N/A	Serotype 6B Clinical isolate	[4]
4	MNK0759		N/A	Serotype 7F Clinical isolate	[4]
6	MNK0418		N/A	Serotype 11A Clinical isolate	[4]
7	MNK0057		N/A	Serotype 15B Clinical isolate	[4]
10	MNK0361		N/A	Serotype 19F Clinical isolate	[4]
11	MNK0420		N/A	Serotype 23F Clinical isolate	[4]
	5448			Group A <i>Streptococcus</i> M1T1 clinical isolate 5448	[6]

5884ΔhasA	Ery	Capsule deficient mutant of 5448	[6]
Reynolds		<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> Reynolds CP5 positive	[7]
JLO22		<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> Reynolds CP5 negative	[7]

^a Cm: Chloramphenicol (4.5µg/mL), Sm Streptomycin (300µg/ml), Kn: Kanamycin (200µg/mL), Ery: Erythromycin (0.5µg/ml, 5µg/ml for GAS)

^b [1] ⁽¹⁾, [2] ⁽²⁾, [3] ⁽³⁾, [4] this study, [5] ⁽⁴⁾, [6] ⁽⁵⁾ [7] ⁽⁶⁾

1. C. K. Stover *et al.*, Complete genome sequence of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* PAO1, an opportunistic pathogen. *Nature* **406**, 959-964 (2000).
2. D. E. Briles *et al.*, Antiphosphocholine antibodies found in normal mouse serum are protective against intravenous infection with type 3 streptococcus pneumoniae. *J Exp Med* **153**, 694-705 (1981).
3. J. A. Lanie *et al.*, Genome sequence of Avery's virulent serotype 2 strain D39 of *Streptococcus pneumoniae* and comparison with that of unencapsulated laboratory strain R6. *J Bacteriol* **189**, 38-51 (2007).
4. B. L. Spencer, J. S. Saad, A. T. Shenoy, C. J. Orihuela, M. H. Nahm, Position of O-Acetylation within the Capsular Repeat Unit Impacts the Biological Properties of Pneumococcal Serotypes 33A and 33F. *Infect Immun* **85** (2017).
5. A. Hollands *et al.*, Genetic switch to hypervirulence reduces colonization phenotypes of the globally disseminated group A streptococcus M1T1 clone. *J Infect Dis* **202**, 11-19 (2010).
6. M. Portoles, K. B. Kiser, N. Bhasin, K. H. Chan, J. C. Lee, *Staphylococcus aureus* Cap5O has UDP-ManNAc dehydrogenase activity and is essential for capsule expression. *Infect Immun* **69**, 917-923 (2001).