

Strain or plasmid	Relevant characteristic(s) <sup>a</sup>	Reference or source
Bacterial strains		
<i>A. baumannii</i>		
ATCC 19606 <sup>T</sup>	Type strain	
HKD01	ATCC 19606 <sup>T</sup> with $\Delta basD$	Ref. (1)
HKD02	ATCC 19606 <sup>T</sup> with $\Delta bauA$	Ref. (1)
OH747	ATCC 19606 <sup>T</sup> with $\Delta bauB$	This study
OH764	ATCC 19606 <sup>T</sup> with $\Delta bauD$	This study
OH766	ATCC 19606 <sup>T</sup> with $\Delta bauF$	This study
OH1208	HKD01 with $\Delta bauA$	This study
OH1040	<i>basD</i> <sup>+</sup> rescue in HKD01	This study
OH1046	<i>bauA</i> <sup>+</sup> rescue in HKD02	This study
OH1055	<i>bauB</i> <sup>+</sup> rescue in OH747	This study
OH1060	<i>bauD</i> <sup>+</sup> rescue in OH764	This study
<i>E. coli</i>		
DH5 $\alpha$ $\lambda$ <i>pir</i>	<i>supE44</i> $\Delta lacU169(\phi80\ lacZ\triangle M15)$ <i>hsdR17 recA1 endA1 gyra96 thi-1 relA1</i> $\lambda$ <i>pir</i> (phage lysogen); plasmid replication	Laboratory collection
S17-1 $\lambda$ <i>pir</i>	$\lambda$ <i>pir</i> lysogen; <i>thi pro hsdR hsdM</i> <sup>+</sup> <i>recA RP4-2 Tc::Mu-Km::Tn7</i> ; Tp <sup>r</sup> Sm <sup>r</sup> ; host for $\pi$ -requiring plasmids; conjugal donor	Ref. (2)
Plasmid		
pUC4K	pUC4 with <i>nptI</i> ; Ap <sup>r</sup> , Km <sup>r</sup>	Pharmacia
pHKD01	pDS132, multicloning sites; <i>oriR6K sacB</i> ; Cm <sup>r</sup>	Ref. (1)
pSE380	trc promoter expression vector; high copy number, IPTG inducible; Ap <sup>r</sup>	Ref. (3)
pOH703	pHKD01 with $\Delta bauB::nptI$ ; Cm <sup>r</sup> , Km <sup>r</sup>	This study
pOH710	pHKD01 with $\Delta bauD::nptI$ ; Cm <sup>r</sup> , Km <sup>r</sup>	This study
pOH711	pHKD01 with $\Delta bauF::nptI$ ; Cm <sup>r</sup> , Km <sup>r</sup>	This study
pOH1037	pHKD01 with <i>basD</i> coding region of <i>A. baumannii</i> ATCC19606 under control of its native promoter with <i>nptI</i> ; Km <sup>r</sup>	This study
pOH1041	pHKD01 with <i>bauA</i> coding region of <i>A. baumannii</i> ATCC19606 under control of its native promoter with <i>nptI</i> ; Km <sup>r</sup>	This study
pOH1051	pHKD01 with <i>bauB</i> coding region of <i>A. baumannii</i> ATCC19606 under control of its native promoter with <i>nptI</i> ; Km <sup>r</sup>	This study
pOH1053	pHKD01 with <i>bauD</i> coding region of <i>A. baumannii</i> ATCC19606 under control of its native promoter with <i>nptI</i> ; Km <sup>r</sup>	This study

<sup>a</sup>Tp<sup>r</sup>, trimethoprim-resistant; Sm<sup>r</sup>, streptomycin-resistant; Ap<sup>r</sup>, ampicillin-resistant; Km<sup>r</sup>, kanamycin-resistant; Cm<sup>r</sup>, chloramphenicol-resistant.

References: (1) Appl Environ Microb (2015) 81:3357–3368. (2) Nat Biotechnol (1983) 1: 784–791. (3) Nucleic Acids Res (1991) 19: 4479–4484.

**Table S1. Bacterial strains and plasmids used in this study.**