

TABLE S1 Selected sRNAs with differential CPM in QS activation and QS gene-deficient conditions by RNA-Seq

Locus tag	Name	CPM (counts per million)				
		PAO1 2 h	PAO1 4 h	PAO1 6 h	$\Delta lasI$ 6 h	$\Delta rhII$ 6 h
PA0836.1	P5	125.74	99.49	267.86	244.91	311.17
PA1112.1		41.51	59.06	70.23	83.99	87.16
PA0887.1	P7	24.39	51.67	52.60	52.85	49.33
PA2942.1	P15	23.83	14.15	10.82	19.79	20.64
PA2958.1	RgsA	147.93	240.68	190.79	190.04	163.95
PA3304.1	P18	21.08	21.04	33.07	25.73	29.27
PA3366.1	AmiL	46.32	27.33	44.02	149.76	103.07
PA3621.1	RsmZ	24.59	18.84	19.23	22.07	22.72
PA4406.1		856.69	1150.08	934.80	1050.25	1075.37
PA4421.1	RnpB	87324.48	148798.32	194601.64	221663.35	185747.71
PA4451.1	P35	32.43	25.31	18.41	20.68	24.55
PA4704.1	PrrF1	38.36	78.48	73.60	78.02	79.74
PA4704.2	PrrF2	7.60	11.59	11.53	14.98	12.22
PA4758.1	P32	66.47	58.64	83.67	62.43	70.44
PA5227.1	SsrS	446.48	347.28	603.42	758.26	870.71

The calculation of Unigene expression uses a normalization method, CPM, counts of exon model per million mapped reads.

TABLE S2 Selected sRNAs with differential expression in QS activation condition by RNA-Seq

Locus tag	Name	PAO1 2 h vs. 4 h		PAO1 2 h vs. 6 h		PAO1 4 h vs. 6 h	
		logFC	<i>P</i>	logFC	<i>P</i>	logFC	<i>P</i>
PA0836.1	P5	0.60	6.06E-03	-0.76	9.62E-06	-1.38	5.55E-09
PA1112.1		-0.24	9.93E-02	-0.43	7.16E-04	-0.21	1.23E-01
PA0887.1	P7	-0.81	6.48E-03	-0.78	3.19E-06	0.01	9.75E-01
PA2942.1	P15	0.99	9.07E-04	1.45	5.76E-08	0.44	3.49E-02
PA2958.1	RgsA	-0.43	3.84E-02	-0.03	7.92E-01	0.37	5.29E-02
PA3304.1	P18	0.27	2.54E-01	-0.33	8.29E-02	-0.62	5.37E-04
PA3366.1	AmiL	1.02	2.79E-05^{***}	0.41	1.47E-01	-0.64	1.58E-02[*]
PA3621.1	RsmZ	0.65	8.21E-03	0.67	2.40E-03	0.00	1.00E+00
PA4406.1		-0.15	3.64E-01	0.21	1.56E-01	0.34	4.53E-02
PA4421.1	RnpB	-0.50	1.55E-02	-0.82	6.70E-05	-0.34	1.38E-01
PA4451.1	P35	0.62	5.49E-03	1.14	8.42E-08	0.50	2.25E-02
PA4704.1	PrrF1	-0.74	1.97E-02	-0.59	4.00E-03	0.12	6.36E-01
PA4704.2	PrrF2	-0.35	1.25E-01	-0.27	1.98E-01	0.05	7.98E-01
PA4758.1	P32	0.46	1.55E-02	0.00	1.00E+00	-0.48	9.95E-03
PA5227.1	SsrS	0.63	7.43E-04	-0.11	6.92E-01	-0.76	1.27E-02

logFC, log₂ (Fold Change); *P* value, *, *P* < 0.05; ***, *P* < 0.001.

TABLE S3 Selected sRNAs with differential expression in QS gene-deficient condition by RNA-Seq

Locus tag	Name	PAO1 6 h vs. $\Delta lasI$ 6 h		PAO1 6 h vs. $\Delta rhII$ 6 h	
		logFC	P	logFC	P
PA0836.1	P5	0.10	6.65E-01	-0.20	3.98E-01
PA1112.1		-0.28	5.95E-02	-0.29	7.79E-02
PA0887.1	P7	-0.02	9.00E-01	0.11	4.97E-01
PA2942.1	P15	-0.91	2.36E-02	-0.92	4.10E-02
PA2958.1	RgsA	-0.02	9.19E-01	0.24	9.46E-02
PA3304.1	P18	0.35	6.10E-02	0.20	2.97E-01
PA3366.1	AmiL	-1.80	1.69E-04^{***}	-1.22	2.67E-02[*]
PA3621.1	RsmZ	-0.23	3.83E-01	-0.21	3.47E-01
PA4406.1		-0.19	2.15E-01	-0.18	3.24E-01
PA4421.1	RnpB	-0.22	3.02E-01	0.09	5.65E-01
PA4451.1	P35	-0.22	4.21E-01	-0.38	1.65E-01
PA4704.1	PrrF1	-0.11	5.12E-01	-0.09	4.95E-01
PA4704.2	PrrF2	-0.39	1.22E-01	-0.07	7.66E-01
PA4758.1	P32	0.41	1.55E-02	0.27	1.02E-01
PA5227.1	SsrS	-0.35	2.19E-01	-0.51	9.92E-02

logFC, log₂ (Fold Change); P value, *, $P < 0.05$; ***, $P < 0.001$.

TABLE S4 The *amiEBCRS* operon genes with differential CPM in QS activation and QS gene-deficient conditions by RNA-Seq

Locus tag	Name	CPM (counts per million)				
		PAO1 2 h	PAO1 4 h	PAO1 6 h	$\Delta lasI$ 6 h	$\Delta rhII$ 6 h
PA3366	amiE	62.99	92.35	202.86	572.41	367.28
PA4947	amiB	193.54	227.36	229.25	245.98	257.83
PA3364	amiC	13.69	43.24	118.04	323.92	182.47
PA3363	amiR	13.84	41.00	122.15	336.01	188.34
PA3362	amiS	9.37	16.11	67.50	95.99	67.14

The calculation of Unigene expression uses a normalization method, CPM, counts of exon model per million mapped reads.

TABLE S5 Bacterial strains and plasmids

Strains / Plasmids	Characteristics	Source
<i>Pseudomonas</i>		
PAO1	Wild-type strain, Gm ^S , Amp ^R	Our lab
PAO1 $\Delta lasI$	Deficiency of <i>lasI</i> , Gm ^S , Amp ^R	Our lab ⁽¹⁾
PAO1 $\Delta rhII$	Deficiency of <i>rhII</i> , Gm ^S , Amp ^R	Our lab ⁽¹⁾
PAO1 $\Delta AmiL$	Deficiency of <i>amiL</i> , Gm ^S , Amp ^R	This work
<i>Escherichia coli</i>		
DH5 α	Wild-type strain, Gm ^S , Amp ^S	Our lab
SM10 λ PT	Wild-type strain, Gm ^S , Amp ^S	Our lab
Plasmids		
pGSM	Homologous recombinant plasmid, Gm ^R , Amp ^R	Our lab ⁽¹⁾
pROp200 (EV)	Control plasmid based on pBBR1 MCS-5, Gm ^R	Prof. Shiyun Chen ⁽²⁾
pROp200-LasR ⁺	PAO1 <i>lasR</i> overexpression plasmid, controlled by P _{lac} promoter, Gm ^R	Our lab ⁽³⁾
pROp200-RhIR ⁺	PAO1 <i>rhIR</i> overexpression plasmid, controlled by P _{lac} promoter, Gm ^R	Our lab ⁽³⁾
pROp200-AmiL ⁺	PAO1 <i>amiL</i> overexpression plasmid, controlled by P _{lac} promoter, Gm ^R	This work
pSTV28 (EV ⁺)	Control plasmid, containing P _{lac} promoter, Cm ^R	Our lab
pSTV28-AmiL ⁺	PAO1 <i>amiL</i> overexpression plasmid, controlled by P _{lac} promoter, Cm ^R	This work
pUCP30T- <i>gfp</i>	Control plasmid, <i>gfp</i> controlled by P _{lac} promoter, Gm ^R	Our lab ⁽³⁾
pUCP30T- <i>lasI-gfp</i>	Containing transcription fusion of <i>lasI-gfp</i> , which controlled by P _{lac} promoter, Gm ^R	This work
pUCP30T- <i>rhIR-gfp</i>	Containing transcription fusion of <i>rhIR-gfp</i> , which controlled by P _{lac} promoter, Gm ^R	This work
pUCP30T- <i>phzC-gfp</i>	Containing transcription fusion of <i>phzC-gfp</i> , which controlled by P _{lac} promoter, Gm ^R	This work
pUCP30T-mut- <i>phzC-gfp</i>	Containing transcription fusion of mut- <i>phzC-gfp</i> , which controlled by P _{lac} promoter, Gm ^R	This work

Gm, Amp and Cm stand for gentamicin, ampicillin and chloramphenicol, respectively. S, sensitive; R, resistant.

TABLE S6 Sequences of cloning primers and qRT-PCR primers

Name	Purpose	Sequence (5'→3')
Cloning primers		
AmiL-P1	ΔAmiL	ACGGCCAGTGAATTCGAGCTCAAAGCGCCAGTTTGTAGCAG
AmiL-P2	ΔAmiL	CATGGATATCACCTCCTTATAAGCCCCGTCGGAAG
AmiL-P3	ΔAmiL	GACGGGGCTTATAAGGAGGTGATATCCATGCGTCA
AmiL-P4	ΔAmiL	GGCTGGATCCCAAGCTCTAGATCCTTCTCCAGTCCCTCGTA
AmiL-over-F	AmiL ⁺	ATCGGCTCGTATAATGAATTCATCAGGTCGTGCGCATCA
AmiL-over-R	AmiL ⁺	CGAATTTTAAACAAAAGAATTCGGATATCACCTCTTGTGTT
In28-AmiL-F	AmiL ⁺	TCCTCTAGAGTGCACCTGCAGCTTGCCCGAGCCTTGACAGC
In28-AmiL-R	AmiL ⁺	ACGACGGCCAGTGCCAAGCTTTTGACCACCGCCACTCCGA
30T- <i>lasI</i> -F	<i>lasI-gfp</i>	GCTCTAGAATGAGCCGTTTCGCCATCA
30T- <i>lasI</i> -R	<i>lasI-gfp</i>	CATGCCATGGTGCCGATCTTCAGGTGC
30T- <i>rhII</i> -F	<i>rhII-gfp</i>	CGGAATTCATGCACGATTCCCTTCACC
30T- <i>rhII</i> -R	<i>rhII-gfp</i>	GCTCTAGAATGCTCCAGGTCGGTCA
30T- <i>phzC</i> -F	<i>phzC-gfp</i>	GCTCTAGAATGCCACTTCCTGCATTCCCTC
30T- <i>phzC</i> -R	<i>phzC-gfp</i>	CATGCCATGGGATCGTCCATAGTTCTCCC
30T-mut- <i>phzC</i> -F	mut- <i>phzC-gfp</i>	ATTCCAAAGGGCGTCATCAAACGCGAAGGC
30T-mut- <i>phzC</i> -R	mut- <i>phzC-gfp</i>	TTGATGACGCCCTTTGGAATGCTCAGGGCG
qRT-PCR primers		
<i>rpoD</i> -F	qRT-PCR	CTGAAGATCGCCAAAGAGCC
<i>rpoD</i> -R	qRT-PCR	GTGTGGTCCGGTGTTCATGTC
<i>amiL</i> -F	qRT-PCR	GCATCAGCGTCGATGT
<i>amiL</i> -R	qRT-PCR	AGCCCATTTGCTCTGT
<i>lasI</i> -F	qRT-PCR	CGTGCTCAAGTGTTCGAAGGA
<i>lasI</i> -R	qRT-PCR	AAAACCTGGGCTTCAGGAGT
<i>rhII</i> -F	qRT-PCR	CTACCGGCATCAGGTCTTCA
<i>rhII</i> -R	qRT-PCR	GTTTCGCTGCACAGGTAGG

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