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**Efficient CRISPR/Cas12a-based genome editing toolbox for metabolic engineering in *Methanococcus maripaludis***

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**Table S1.** Plasmid list

Plasmid	Description	Reference
pLW40	<i>E. coli/M. maripaludis</i> shuttle vector; the backbone of pMM002P	1
pMEV4	<i>E. coli/M. maripaludis</i> shuttle vector, only replicates in <i>M. maripaludis</i> S0001 <sup>2</sup> , carrying codon-optimized <i>pac</i>	3
pMEV4mTs	Derived from pMEV4 carrying the synthetic terminator ( <i>Ts</i> )	Provided by Prof. Whitman
pY016	Nucleic acid sequence source of LbCas12a	4
pX165	Nucleic acid sequence source of SpCas9	5
pMM002P	CRISPR/LbCas12a toolbox plasmid	This study
pMM005	CRISPR/SpCas9 toolbox plasmid	This study
p002-218	pMM002P containing a guide sequence 5'-CCCACAGATGAATATACTCATTCC targeting to <i>flaI</i> (MMJJ_11570)	This study
p002-226	pMM002P containing guide sequences 5'-GATATACCCGACACAATGATATCG and 5'-GTGTAACCATAACTGCTAATTTAT targeting to <i>flaJ</i> (MMJJ_11560) and <i>flaB3</i> (MMJJ_11640)	This study
p002-218-L1000	p002-218, 1000 bp long homologous arms on each side, 25 bp from the RF to DSB	This study
p002-218-L500	p002-218, 500 bp long homologous arms on each side, 25 bp from the RF to DSB	This study
p002-218-L250	p002-218, 250 bp long homologous arms on each side, 25 bp from the RF to DSB	This study
p002-218-D500	p002-218, 1000 bp long homologous arms on each side, 500 bp from the RF to DSB	This study
p002-218-D1000	p002-218, 1000 bp long homologous arms on each side, 1000 bp from the RF to DSB	This study
p002-218-uidA	p002-218, <i>P<sub>fla<sub>J</sub></sub>-uidA-T<sub>fla</sub></i> ; the 1000 bp homologous arms on each side covers the promoter and the terminator of the flagellum operon	This study
p002-226-uidA	p002-226, <i>P<sub>fla<sub>J</sub></sub>-uidA-T<sub>fla</sub></i> ; the 1000 bp homologous arms on each side covers the promoter and the terminator of the flagellum operon	This study
p002-253	pMM002P containing a guide sequence 5'-AATGCAAGCTACAACACTGTGTAGAC targeting to <i>acs</i> (MMJJ_09370)	This study
p002-247	pMM002P containing a guide sequence 5'-AGTGATACCTAACAGCCCTTCTC targeting to <i>nrpR</i> (MMJJ_03770)	This study
pPmtr-uidA	suicide plasmid containing " <i>P<sub>mtr</sub>-uidA</i> " cassette, 1000 bp long homologous arms on each side, the promoter is from <i>M. vannielli</i> SB	This study
pPmcr-uidA	suicide plasmid containing " <i>P<sub>mcr</sub>-uidA</i> " cassette, 1000 bp long homologous arms on each side, the promoter is from <i>M. vannielli</i> SB	This study
pPmcrR-uidA	suicide plasmid containing " <i>P<sub>mcrR</sub>-uidA</i> " cassette, 1000 bp long homologous arms on each side, the promoter is from <i>M. vannielli</i> SB	This study

pPhdrC1-uidA	suicide plasmid containing " <i>P<sub>hdrC1</sub>-uidA</i> " cassette, 1000 bp long homologous arms on each side, the promoter is from <i>M. vannielli</i> SB	This study
pPhdrC2-uidA	suicide plasmid containing " <i>P<sub>hdrC2</sub>-uidA</i> " cassette, 1000 bp long homologous arms on each side, the promoter is from <i>M. vannielli</i> SB	This study
pPhdrA2-uidA	suicide plasmid containing " <i>P<sub>hdrA2</sub>-uidA</i> " cassette, 1000 bp long homologous arms on each side, the promoter is from <i>M. vannielli</i> SB	This study
pPfdh-uidA	suicide plasmid containing " <i>P<sub>fah</sub>-uidA</i> " cassette, 1000 bp long homologous arms on each side, the promoter is from <i>M. vannielli</i> SB	This study
pPeha-uidA	suicide plasmid containing " <i>P<sub>eha</sub>-uidA</i> " cassette, 1000 bp long homologous arms on each side, the promoter is from <i>M. vannielli</i> SB	This study
pPeha w.TF-uidA	suicide plasmid containing " <i>P<sub>eha w.TF</sub>-uidA</i> " cassette, 1000 bp long homologous arms on each side, the promoter is from <i>M. vannielli</i> SB	This study
pPehb-uidA	suicide plasmid containing " <i>P<sub>ehb</sub>-uidA</i> " cassette, 1000 bp long homologous arms on each side, the promoter is from <i>M. vannielli</i> SB	This study
pPglA-uidA	suicide plasmid containing " <i>P<sub>glA</sub>-uidA</i> " cassette, 1000 bp long homologous arms on each side, the promoter is from <i>M. vannielli</i> SB	This study
pPnif-uidA	suicide plasmid containing " <i>P<sub>nif</sub>-uidA</i> " cassette, 1000 bp long homologous arms on each side, the promoter is from <i>M. vannielli</i> SB	This study
pPmcr_JJ-uidA	suicide plasmid containing " <i>P<sub>mcr_JJ</sub>-uidA</i> " cassette, 1000 bp long homologous arms on each side, the promoter is from <i>M. maripaludis</i> JJ	This study
pPmcrR_JJ-uidA	suicide plasmid containing " <i>P<sub>mcrR_JJ</sub>-uidA</i> " cassette, 1000 bp long homologous arms on each side, the promoter is from <i>M. maripaludis</i> JJ	This study
pPfla_JJ-uidA	suicide plasmid containing " <i>P<sub>fla_JJ</sub>-uidA</i> " cassette, 1000 bp long homologous arms on each side, the promoter is from <i>M. maripaludis</i> JJ	This study
pΔnrpR	suicide plasmid containing deletion cassette of <i>nrpR</i> , a <i>P<sub>mcr</sub></i> promoter was placed between the homologous arms to drive the expression of <i>rlmE</i> , which is at the downstream of <i>nrpR</i>	This study
p005-380	pMM005 containing guide sequences 5'-TATTGAGATGTGTTCCGGG targeting to <i>alr</i> (MMJJ_13260)	This study
p4.2k	suicide plasmid containing a 4.2 kb insertion flanking with ca. 1000 bp upstream of <i>ald</i> (MMJJ_13250) and 1000 bp downstream of <i>alr</i> (MMJJ_13260)	This study

**Table S2.** Strain list

Strain	Genotype	Remarks	Reference
S2	wildtype	Used as PCR template for <i>upt</i> gene	<sup>6</sup>
SB	<i>Methanococcus vannielii</i>	Used as PCR template for promoters	Purchased from DSMZ
A3	<i>Methanococcus voltae</i>	Used as PCR template for promoter and terminator for Cas protein expression	Provided by Prof. Whitman <sup>7</sup>
JJΔupt	Δupt		
JL1000	Δupt Δfla(849-904)::gcggccgc with p002-218-L1000	JJΔupt was transformed with p002-218-L1000	This study
JL500	Δupt Δfla(849-904)::gcggccgc with p002-218-L500	JJΔupt was transformed with p002-218-L500	This study
JL250	Δupt Δfla(849-904)::gcggccgc with p002-218-L250	JJΔupt was transformed with p002-218-L250	This study
JD500	Δupt Δfla(378-1379)::gcggccgc with p002-218-D500	JJΔupt was transformed with p002-218-D500	This study
JD1000	Δupt ΔflaH (MMJJ_11580)(621-693)IJ(1-179)::gcggccgc with p002-218-D1000	JJΔupt was transformed with p002-218-D1000	This study
J218U	Δupt ΔflaB1B2B3CDEFGHIJ (MMJJ_11660 - MMJJ_11560)::uidA	JJΔupt was transformed with p002-218-uidA, plasmid was removed afterwards.	This study
J226U	Δupt ΔflaB1B2B3CDEFGHIJ::uidA	JJΔupt was transformed with p002-226-uidA, plasmid was removed afterwards.	This study
Jmtr	Δupt Δacs(107-1075)::P <sub>mtr</sub> -uidA	JJΔupt was transformed with p002-253 and pP <sub>mtr</sub> -uidA, plasmid was removed afterwards.	This study
Jmcr	Δupt Δacs(107-1075)::P <sub>mcr</sub> -uidA	JJΔupt was transformed with p002-253 and pP <sub>mcr</sub> -uidA, plasmid was removed afterwards.	This study
JmcrR	Δupt Δacs(107-1075)::P <sub>mcrR</sub> -uidA	JJΔupt was transformed with p002-253 and pP <sub>mcrR</sub> -uidA, plasmid was removed afterwards.	This study
JhdrC1	Δupt Δacs(107-1075)::P <sub>hdrC1</sub> -uidA	JJΔupt was transformed with p002-253 and pPhdrC1-uidA, plasmid was removed afterwards.	This study
JhdrC2	Δupt Δacs(107-1075)::P <sub>hdrC2</sub> -uidA	JJΔupt was transformed with p002-253 and pPhdrC2-uidA, plasmid was removed afterwards.	This study

JhdrA2	$\Delta upt \Delta acs(107-1075)::P_{hdrA2}-uidA$	JJ $\Delta upt$ was transformed with p002-253 and pPhdrA2-uidA, plasmid was removed afterwards.	This study
Jfdh	$\Delta upt \Delta acs(107-1075)::P_{fdh}-uidA$	JJ $\Delta upt$ was transformed with p002-253 and pPfdh-uidA, plasmid was removed afterwards.	This study
Jeha	$\Delta upt \Delta acs(107-1075)::P_{eha}-uidA$	JJ $\Delta upt$ was transformed with p002-253 and pPeha-uidA, plasmid was removed afterwards.	This study
Jehawtf	$\Delta upt \Delta acs(107-1075)::P_{eha\ w.TF}-uidA$	JJ $\Delta upt$ was transformed with p002-253 and pPeha w.TF-uidA, plasmid was removed afterwards.	This study
Jehb	$\Delta upt \Delta acs(107-1075)::P_{ehb}-uidA$	JJ $\Delta upt$ was transformed with p002-253 and pPehb-uidA, plasmid was removed afterwards.	This study
JglnA	$\Delta upt \Delta acs(107-1075)::P_{glnA}-uidA$	JJ $\Delta upt$ was transformed with p002-253 and pPglnA-uidA, plasmid was removed afterwards.	This study
Jnif	$\Delta upt \Delta acs(107-1075)::P_{nif}-uidA$	JJ $\Delta upt$ was transformed with p002-253 and pPnif-uidA, plasmid was removed afterwards.	This study
JmcrJ	$\Delta upt \Delta acs(107-1075)::P_{mcr\_JJ}-uidA$	JJ $\Delta upt$ was transformed with p002-253 and pPmcr_JJ-uidA, plasmid was removed afterwards.	This study
JmcrRJ	$\Delta upt \Delta acs(107-1075)::P_{mcrR\_JJ}-uidA$	JJ $\Delta upt$ was transformed with p002-253 and pPmcrR_JJ-uidA, plasmid was removed afterwards.	This study
JflaJ	$\Delta upt \Delta acs(107-1075)::P_{fla\_JJ}-uidA$	JJ $\Delta upt$ was transformed with p002-253 and pPfla_JJ-uidA, plasmid was removed afterwards.	This study
Jnif $\Delta nrpR$	$\Delta upt \Delta nrpR \Delta acs(107-1075)::P_{nif}-uidA$	Jnif was transformed with p002-247 and p $\Delta nrpR$	This study

**Table S3.** Plasmid maps

<b>Plasmid</b>	<b>link</b>
pMM002P	<a href="https://benchling.com/s/seq-NcNgENuHGpjcjuVSBu0e?m=slm-uWqdWXhT0CNxlHaCyTYG">https://benchling.com/s/seq-NcNgENuHGpjcjuVSBu0e?m=slm-uWqdWXhT0CNxlHaCyTYG</a>
pMM005	<a href="https://benchling.com/s/seq-hvquLQ7RbCe0LrHLvgUG?m=slm-Uljuux0W4UWZCD8H0Ube">https://benchling.com/s/seq-hvquLQ7RbCe0LrHLvgUG?m=slm-Uljuux0W4UWZCD8H0Ube</a>
p002-218	<a href="https://benchling.com/s/seq-95SMUqzI7CM8HY637Tej?m=slm-nJXd3LjQAAQGNstiyv0">https://benchling.com/s/seq-95SMUqzI7CM8HY637Tej?m=slm-nJXd3LjQAAQGNstiyv0</a>
p002-226	<a href="https://benchling.com/s/seq-IsoPOqfmcoajKn9cMy8o?m=slm-KeQfniz32M9QIHnTm6ob">https://benchling.com/s/seq-IsoPOqfmcoajKn9cMy8o?m=slm-KeQfniz32M9QIHnTm6ob</a>
p002-218-L1000	<a href="https://benchling.com/s/seq-OzWgU1lZMoUM48r8Jnli?m=slm-4wjgalWGU6q2jfQJBPjy">https://benchling.com/s/seq-OzWgU1lZMoUM48r8Jnli?m=slm-4wjgalWGU6q2jfQJBPjy</a>
pPmtr-uidA	<a href="https://benchling.com/s/seq-0Gomnk1heQqOZcCU6GRn?m=slm-dHi8kpnVmpgyZ1LyXbNf">https://benchling.com/s/seq-0Gomnk1heQqOZcCU6GRn?m=slm-dHi8kpnVmpgyZ1LyXbNf</a>
pPmcr-uidA	<a href="https://benchling.com/s/seq-W11SbMBtaTdab5nlcUC9?m=slm-gmg7fHunlevaxHSKpRlf">https://benchling.com/s/seq-W11SbMBtaTdab5nlcUC9?m=slm-gmg7fHunlevaxHSKpRlf</a>
pPmcrR-uidA	<a href="https://benchling.com/s/seq-zpHKgTXargZcOH0sg26M?m=slm-b8KraXsjOZP1H77qM22N">https://benchling.com/s/seq-zpHKgTXargZcOH0sg26M?m=slm-b8KraXsjOZP1H77qM22N</a>
pPhdrC1-uidA	<a href="https://benchling.com/s/seq-7vfw1HM5KaJn0JQZxqKr?m=slm-ACTIrP1pfkZrR5MR2y0T">https://benchling.com/s/seq-7vfw1HM5KaJn0JQZxqKr?m=slm-ACTIrP1pfkZrR5MR2y0T</a>
pPhdrC2-uidA	<a href="https://benchling.com/s/seq-GECSScdMhnf9XM0i7dH?m=slm-bFOEK8QlLhtSH4lvUW21">https://benchling.com/s/seq-GECSScdMhnf9XM0i7dH?m=slm-bFOEK8QlLhtSH4lvUW21</a>
pPhdrA2-uidA	<a href="https://benchling.com/s/seq-Jwx0H7YJcMCzA42eJPF6?m=slm-cwKcM0LkKbQLv1cN4llaC">https://benchling.com/s/seq-Jwx0H7YJcMCzA42eJPF6?m=slm-cwKcM0LkKbQLv1cN4llaC</a>
pPfdh-uidA	<a href="https://benchling.com/s/seq-DOMwbRZ6WALbE3SHTTMF?m=slm-sUQWlj4qbdmmL74pSb1Q">https://benchling.com/s/seq-DOMwbRZ6WALbE3SHTTMF?m=slm-sUQWlj4qbdmmL74pSb1Q</a>
pPeha-uidA	<a href="https://benchling.com/s/seq-vPCMYrXjr9PiLKxHatOs?m=slm-UbgyKGuyakFfSQ4STIse">https://benchling.com/s/seq-vPCMYrXjr9PiLKxHatOs?m=slm-UbgyKGuyakFfSQ4STIse</a>
pPeha w.TF-uidA	<a href="https://benchling.com/s/seq-TtXDra2oDlyADm8eS7ns?m=slm-CEUoenlUGVfMb8BPeabC">https://benchling.com/s/seq-TtXDra2oDlyADm8eS7ns?m=slm-CEUoenlUGVfMb8BPeabC</a>
pPehb-uidA	<a href="https://benchling.com/s/seq-tDXok4O6Ric798CaMapy?m=slm-Hd9WyxMjMk7omegb0obG">https://benchling.com/s/seq-tDXok4O6Ric798CaMapy?m=slm-Hd9WyxMjMk7omegb0obG</a>
pPglNA-uidA	<a href="https://benchling.com/s/seq-RcddggPTElJMqlZ2s6Eh?m=slm-JKc8i5HNtjdRbuw51yn1">https://benchling.com/s/seq-RcddggPTElJMqlZ2s6Eh?m=slm-JKc8i5HNtjdRbuw51yn1</a>
pPnif-uidA	<a href="https://benchling.com/s/seq-iaa8yge2Lqaj3XpOOct0Y?m=slm-e7qq4iYbyZtirETKuQt0">https://benchling.com/s/seq-iaa8yge2Lqaj3XpOOct0Y?m=slm-e7qq4iYbyZtirETKuQt0</a>
pPmcr_JJ-uidA	<a href="https://benchling.com/s/seq-6sP4BHn8cSssampgokXB?m=slm-GELjQGAhiabG2JUlaKCl">https://benchling.com/s/seq-6sP4BHn8cSssampgokXB?m=slm-GELjQGAhiabG2JUlaKCl</a>
pPmcrR_JJ-uidA	<a href="https://benchling.com/s/seq-3wN9rk0VvzFd5cZO1UxY?m=slm-aHvtqEanTqm85apTBcJm">https://benchling.com/s/seq-3wN9rk0VvzFd5cZO1UxY?m=slm-aHvtqEanTqm85apTBcJm</a>
pPfla_JJ-uidA	<a href="https://benchling.com/s/seq-D6xKkW9YqDEBlvTbz046?m=slm-68Z2g0Tdg8d9wlolLIAX">https://benchling.com/s/seq-D6xKkW9YqDEBlvTbz046?m=slm-68Z2g0Tdg8d9wlolLIAX</a>
pΔnrpR	<a href="https://benchling.com/s/seq-ZaGqJIBsQxrGJb9RARmb?m=slm-APrpwwhfkbpBKSUMw7Qs">https://benchling.com/s/seq-ZaGqJIBsQxrGJb9RARmb?m=slm-APrpwwhfkbpBKSUMw7Qs</a>

**Table S4.** Primers used for pMM002P construction

Frag ment	Subfrag ment	Primer	Sequence (5'->3')	Template	
F1		P1	CTTCTTCAGGGAGCTCGAGATAAGAATTACTAGATCGGAAAATT CAGTAATGCAAAAACAC	<i>Methano coccus voltae</i> A3	
		P2	TTTAATTAAGTATTTTAATTATTCTTTTTTCATTATTTTATTAAGTT ATTAC		
F2	F2.1	P3	GTAATAACTTAATAAAATAATGAAAAAGAATAATTAATAACT TAATTAATTAGCTGGTCTGGGCGTACTC	pY016	
		P4	GCCCTGATGAGCCTGATGCTTCAGATGCGGAACAGCATCAC		
	F2.2	P5	GTGATGCTGTTCCGCATCTGAAGCATCAGGCTCATCAGGGC	pY016	
		P6	GTGAAGGTGGAGAAGCAGGTTTATCAGAAGTTCGAGAAGATGC TG		
	F2.3	P7	CAGCATCTTCTCGAACTTCTGATAAACCTGCTTCTCCACCTTCAC	pY016	
		P8	GGATAAGAAGTACGCCAAGTGCTTACAGAAGATCGACAAGGAC GATG		
	F2.4	P9	CATCGTCCTTGTCGATCTTCTGTAAGCACTGGCGTACTTCTTATC C	pY016	
		P10	CCTCAAGAAGATCGGCTCCTTTTCTTTAGAGCAGTTACAGGAGT ACGCCGACGCCG		
	F2.5	P11	CGGCGTCGGGCTACTCCTGTAAGTCTCTAAAGAAAAGGAGCCG ATCTTCTTGAAGG	pY016	
		P12	GTTAAGCCACTGTATAAGCAGGTTCTGAGCGATCGGGAGTCTC TG		
	F2.6	P13	CAGAGACTCCCAGTCGCTCAGAACCTGCTTACAGTGGCTTAA AC	pY016	
		P14	ATATATATACCTATATAGTGTGAGGTGTAATAATATGAGCAAG CTGGAGAAGTTTAC		
	F3	F3.1	P15	ATTATTACACCTCGACACTATATAGGTATATATAT	<i>Methano coccus voltae</i> A3
			P16	GTTATATTTTGATCGATCAGCTGAATTAACGCCGGCGAATTTTAT TAAATTATCATATAACTATATAAATTTATC	
F3.2		P17	AATTCGCCGGCGTTAATTCAGCTGATCGATCAAAAATAAAC	pMEV4	
		P18	CAATGCAGGTGCGGATCCTCACCTGCGCATATCTACACTTAGTA GAAATTCCTTAGTATTAG		
F3.3		P19	ATGCGCAGGTGAGGATCCGCACCTGCATTGGATATAGCAAAAG TGGGACTTAAGTTCC	pMEV4m Ts	
		P20	GGAAGGTCGTCTCCTCTAGT		
F3.4		P21	AACTAGAGGAGACGACCTTCCATGATAAAAGATGAAAGATGG GAAGGAG	<i>Methanc occus maripalu dis</i> S2	
		P22	GTTGGTTTATATTCTGTCATGCATTTACCTATTTTATTCTAAATT GTGCATTTGTGGGAGC		
F3.5		P23	AATAGGTGAAATGCATGACAGAATATAAACCAACAGTTAGATTA GC	pMEV4	
		P24	CGGCTTCGGTCGGAGCCATGGTTATGCTCCTGGTTTTCTTGTCAT AC		

The fragment F1, subfragments F2.1 to F2.6, and F3.1 to F3.5 were amplified by normal PCR.

The fragments F2 and F3 were constructed by jointing F2.1 to F2.6 and F3.1 to F3.5 together by overlap PCR. pMM002P was constructed by assembling NcoI/BcuI digested pLW40, F1, F2, F3 by Gibson cloning<sup>8</sup>.

**Table S5.** Primers used for pMM005 construction

Frag ment	Subfrag ment	Primer	Sequence (5'->3')	Template
F1		P1	CTTCTTCAGGGAGCTCGAGATAAGAATTACTAGATCGGAAA ATTCAGTAATGCAAAAACAC	<i>Methanococ cus voltae</i> A3
		P2	TTAATTAAGTATTTTAATTATTCTTTTTTCATTATTTTATTAAG TTATTAC	
F4	F4.1	P25	GTAATAACTTAATAAAATAATGAAAAAGAATAATTAATA CTTAATTAATTAGTCGCCTCCAGCTGAG	pX165
		P26	GAGAATGCTGGCCTCTGCCGCGAACTTCAGAAGGGAAACG AACTGG	
	F4.2	P27	AGGGCCAGTTTCGTTTCCCTTCTGAAGTTTCGCCGCAGAGGCC	pX165
		P28	GAAAACACCCAGCTTCAGAACGAGAAGCTGTACCTGTACTA CCTTCAGAATGGGCGGGATATGTAC	
	F4.3	P29	CTGAAGGTAGTACAGGTACAGCTTCTCGTTCTGAAGCTGGG TGTTTTCCACGG	pX165
		P30	AGCCCCGCCATTAAGAAGGGCATCCTTCAGACAGTGAAGGT GGTGG	
	F4.4	P31	CTCGTCCACCACCTTCACTGTCTGAAGGATGCCCTTCTTAATG GC	pX165
		P32	ACCTGGCCGAGGATGCCAACTTCAGCTGAGCAAGGACACC TAC	
	F4.5	P33	GTCGTCGTAGGTGTCCTTGCTCAGCTGAAGTTTGGCATCCTC GGCCAG	pX165
		P34	CATCAATCCATATATTATATATACCTATATAGTGTGAGGT GTAATAATATGGACAAGAAGTACAGCATCG	
F5	F3.1	P15	ATTATTACACCTCGACACTATATAGGTATATATAT	<i>Methanococ cus voltae</i> A3
		P16	GTTATATTTTGATCGATCAGCTGAATTAACGCCGGCGAATTT TATTAATATCATATAACTATATAAATTTATC	
	F5.1	P17	AATTCGCCGGCGTTAATTCAGCTGATCGATCAAAATATAAC	pMEV4
		P35	TGATAACGGACTAGCCTTATTTAACTTGCTATTTCTAGCTCT AAAACCAATGCAGGTGCGGATCCTCACCTGCGCATCACTCTA GTATTAGTTATCTATAAAATTATAATATCAATAGC	
	F5.2	P36	AGCAAGTTAAAATAAGGCTAGTCCGTTATCAACTGAAAAA GTGGCACCGAGTCGGTGCTTTTGATATAGCAAAAGTGGGAC TTAAGTTCCC	pMEV4mTs
		P20	GGAAGGTCGTCTCCTCTAGT	
	F3.4	P21	AACTAGAGGAGACGACCTTCCATGATAAAAGATGAAAGAT GGGAAGGAG	<i>Methanococ cus maripaludis</i> S2
		P22	GTTGGTTTATATTCTGTCATGCATTTACCTATTTTATTCTAAA TTGTGCATTTGTGGGAGC	
	F3.5	P23	AATAGGTGAAATGCATGACAGAATATAAACCAACAGTTAGA TTAGC	pMEV4
		P24	CGGCTTCGGTCGGAGCCATGGTTATGCTCCTGGTTTTCTTGT CATAC	

The subfragments F4.1 to F4.5, and F5.1 to F5.2 were amplified by normal PCR. The fragments F4 and F5 were constructed by jointing F4.1 to F4.5 and F3.1, F5.1, F5.2, F3.4 and F3.5 together by overlap PCR. pMM005 was constructed by assembling NcoI/BcuI digested pLW40, F1, F4, F5 by Gibson cloning<sup>8</sup>.



**Table S6.** The rest of primers used in this study

Primer	Sequence (5'→3')	
CR227	GCTTATAATGTTTTAATTTTTAAAAACAGATAAATTTATATAGTTATATGATAAT TTAATAAAAATTCGCCCAAATTTTGAATGAATATGTGGAGTCTTTCATTT	L1000
CR228	GTACAATGTCTGCTCAGACTGCGCGCCGCCTGCGTCAGGAAAACTACTTC	
CR229	GAAGTAGTTTTCTGACGCAGGCGGCCGCGCAGTCTGAGCAGACATTGTAC	
CR230	GTTATTTATGTTATATTTTGATCGATCAGCTGAATTAACGCCGGCAACTTATTCTT TCGGGGGAAATC	
CR231	GCTTATAATGTTTTAATTTTTAAAAACAGATAAATTTATATAGTTATATGATAAT TTAATAAAAATTCGCCGACCGCTGTCTATTGAATAAGC	D250
CR232	GAATGGGAAGATGAAGGGGACGCGGCCGCGGTCTGTGAAGGAGCTGTTG	
CR233	CAACAGCTCCTTCGACAGACCGCGGCCGCGTCCCCTTCATCTCCCATTC	
CR234	GTTATTTATGTTATATTTTGATCGATCAGCTGAATTAACGCCGGGCATACAAGAG CATTTTATGAAAAAGATATTG	
CR235	GCTTATAATGTTTTAATTTTTAAAAACAGATAAATTTATATAGTTATATGATAAT TTAATAAAAATTCGCCTTTATCGCATAGACCAAAGTACTTC	D500
CR236	CATGGTTGCAAAAAGTATCAAGTCAGCGGCCGCCATTACAAGAGGTGTTTTTGAA TGG	
CR237	CCATTCAAAAACACCTCTTGAATGGCGGCCGCTGACTTGATACTTTTGCAACCA TG	
CR238	GTTATTTATGTTATATTTTGATCGATCAGCTGAATTAACGCCGGTCTTAATTGAAG GAGAAGAGTCATCC	
CR239	GCTTATAATGTTTTAATTTTTAAAAACAGATAAATTTATATAGTTATATGATAAT TTAATAAAAATTCGCCCCATTCAAAAACACCTCTTGAATGAC	L500 (amplified with CR228 and CR229)
CR240	GTTATTTATGTTATATTTTGATCGATCAGCTGAATTAACGCCGGTTGACATGGTT GCAAAAAGTATCAAG	
CR241	GCTTATAATGTTTTAATTTTTAAAAACAGATAAATTTATATAGTTATATGATAAT TTAATAAAAATTCGCCAAAGCAACAGCTCCTTCGAC	L250 (amplified with CR228 and CR229)
CR242	GTTATTTATGTTATATTTTGATCGATCAGCTGAATTAACGCCGGCAAACATTGAA TGGGAAGATGAAG	
CR243	GCTTATAATGTTTTAATTTTTAAAAACAGATAAATTTATATAGTTATATGATAAT TTAATAAAAATTCGCCATTTTAGACGTATTTTCGTGAGTTC	<i>P<sub>fla-JJ-uidA-T<sub>fla</sub></sub></i>
CR244	GGGGTTTCTACAGGACGTAACATGATTGAACCTCCTAAGTTCACCAG	
CR245	CAGCAGGGAGGCAAACAATGATTTATTTAAAAAATCATTTGAATAGTGAACCG	
CR246	GTTATTTATGTTATATTTTGATCGATCAGCTGAATTAACGCCGGCAGTTCCAAA TTTCAACATTTTATCAC	
E275	ATGTTACGTCCTGTAGAAACCCC	
CR31	TCATTGTTTGCCTCCCTGCTG	
CR394	GGAGAGCAGGCAAATGTTTAGCTTTTTACCACCTGAAAGAAAACTTATAC	<i>P<sub>nif</sub></i>
CR395	GGGGTTTCTACAGGACGTAACATACTAAAGCCTCTATTGCATCATC	
CR396	GGAGAGCAGGCAAATGTTTAGCTCTATGAATATTTAAGGAGGCCTTTTGG	<i>P<sub>mtr</sub></i>
CR398	GGGGTTTCTACAGGACGTAACATTATTTACCTCACAATATACGGGAATG	
CR399	GGAGAGCAGGCAAATGTTTAGATTACCATCTTATTTACTTTTATAAAAATAGTA GTAAGTAG	<i>P<sub>mcr</sub></i>
CR400	GGGGTTTCTACAGGACGTAACATAGGAACCACTCCTATTTTTTTGATATATACAT C	
CR401	GGAGAGCAGGCAAATGTTTAGAGGAACCACTCCTATTTTTTTGATATATAC	<i>P<sub>mcrR</sub></i>
CR402	GGGGTTTCTACAGGACGTAACATATTACCATCTTATTTACTTTTATAAAAATAGTA GTAAGTAG	

CR403	GGAGAGCAGGCAAAATGTTTAGAAGAGCATAGTTTATATCGTTTATACCATC	<i>P<sub>hdrC2</sub></i>
CR404	GGGGTTTCTACAGGACGTAACATCAGTAACACCTCGAGGATACTTTTG	
CR405	GGAGAGCAGGCAAAATGTTTAGGCACCCGATTTCAACAACC	<i>P<sub>hdrC1</sub></i>
CR406	GGGGTTTCTACAGGACGTAACATTCGCTTCACCTCCCTTATAGTTTAATTTTTC	
CR407	GGAGAGCAGGCAAAATGTTTAGGAAATCCCTCGCACATAGAGAAC	<i>P<sub>hdrA2</sub></i>
CR408	GGGGTTTCTACAGGACGTAACATGGATTACCTCCACATATAACAAGTAAG	
CR411	GGAGAGCAGGCAAAATGTTTAGCTGTGAAGAAAGAAACGTTATAGATGG	<i>P<sub>fdh</sub></i>
CR412	GGGGTTTCTACAGGACGTAACATTAATCATCACCGTTAAATTATGTGTGAC	
CR413	GGAGAGCAGGCAAAATGTTTAGAAAAAATCACCTTAATCAAATTTTGAAAAATGC	<i>P<sub>eha</sub></i>
CR414	GGGGTTTCTACAGGACGTAACATTTTACCACGATTTAGTCTACAAGACTTTAAAT TATTTT	
CR414 L	GGGGTTTCTACAGGACGTAACATTAATATCACCAGCAGTGTACAATCATAAC	<i>P<sub>eha w.TF</sub></i> (amplified with CR413)
CR419	GGAGAGCAGGCAAAATGTTTAGGTCTATCACACAAAAGGGATTTTTGTAATG	<i>P<sub>ehb</sub></i>
CR420	GGGGTTTCTACAGGACGTAACATATTACCACCAATCGGGACTAAAAATTTG	
CR421	GGAGAGCAGGCAAAATGTTTAGTAAATCACCGTGAATTTGCGAATAATTTT	<i>P<sub>glnA</sub></i>
CR422	GGGGTTTCTACAGGACGTAACATATATATTTCTCCAAAATCATCTTTATAGGAAA TAGC	
CR467	GGAGAGCAGGCAAAATGTTTAGTTTATAGATTCCCAGTGTTCAAATGC	<i>P<sub>fla_JJ</sub></i> (amplified with CR244)
CR468	GGAGAGCAGGCAAAATGTTTAGATTACCATCTTATTTAGCTTTATAAAAATAGTA ATC	<i>P<sub>mcr_JJ</sub></i> (amplified with CR400)
CR469	GGGGTTTCTACAGGACGTAACATATTACCATCTTATTTAGCTTTATAAAAATAGT AATC	<i>P<sub>mcrR_JJ</sub></i> (amplified with CR401)
CR416	CAAAAGTGGGACTTAAGTTCCCACTTTTGCTATTGATTATCAACATTGAGGCTTT TAGG	For suicide plasmid construction incl. homologous arms, <i>uidA</i> and vector
CR417	GTGCACCAAGGATCTTCACCTAGAAGTGTAGATGTTCTAAAAGATAATGATT ATTTAGTATTTG	
CR418	GTTCTGGCCTTTTGCTGGCCAAGCTTATTGTAAATTATGCCTCCAAGGGTG	
CR298	CTAAACATTTTGCCTGCTCTCC	
CR415	GGGAECTTAAGTCCCCTTTTGCTATATCTCATTGTTTGCCTCCCTGCTG	
SV-F	TCTAGGTGAAGATCCTTGGTGAC	
SV-R	GGCCAGCAAAAGGCCAGGAAC	
CR426	GTTCTGGCCTTTTGCTGGCCAAGCTTGGATTACCTGTTGTTATGTATTCATTTA CC	$\Delta$ NrpR
CR427	GTATATTACGAATAGGGCGTTTTTTTATTTATAAAATGGATAAAATTTCAACATCA ATATTACTGTC	
CR428	GAAATTTTATCCATTTTATAAATAAAAAACGCCCTATTCGTAATATACTATTC	
CR429	GGAAGTCTGCTCCTCTAGTTTTTTTTGATATATACATCATAACATTACTCTATG	
CR430	ACTAGAGGAGACGACCTTCATGGGAAAAAAGGACAAAAGATGG	
CR431	GTGCACCAAGGATCTTCACCTAGAAGTGCATTTTACGTTTACGGAAAAACTGTT TC	

## Supplementary Methods

Additional details for utilizing the CRISPR/Cas genome-editing toolbox in *M. maripaludis* are provided below:

**CRISPR/Cas plasmids and their functional elements.** CRISPR/Cas plasmids are designed and constructed to contain expression cassettes for gRNAs and Cas proteins, either *Lachnospiraceae bacterium* (Lb) Cas12a as in pMM002 or *Streptococcus pyogenes* (Sp) Cas9 as in pMM005. Both of the CRISPR/Cas plasmids also contain the following elements: ampicillin (*amp*) and puromycin (*pac*) resistance genes for selection in *E. coli* and *M. maripaludis*, respectively, a suicide gene (*upt*) for rapid removal of plasmids from *M. maripaludis*, and respective ori sequences for autonomous replication in either *E. coli* or *M. maripaludis*. The gRNA included is made up of a fixed sequence that will be bound by the Cas protein, plus a non-sense sequence that is meant to be substituted according to the genomic DNA sequence that is going to be targeted. Upon digestion with *PaqCI*, the non-sense sequence from this gRNA is removed, and two sticky ends are created. Thus, the genome-targeting gRNA sequence that is to be designed must be flanked by these sticky ends as well.

**Design of gRNA sequences via the CHOPCHOP webtool.** Obtaining genome-targeting gRNA sequence necessitates designing two single-stranded oligonucleotide primers, which is accomplished by following the CHOPCHOP step-by-step instructions (<https://chopchop.cbu.uib.no/>). For this, the gene name (including RefSeq and ENSEMBL gene IDs) or the pasted nucleotide sequence of interest is entered as the target and the *M. maripaludis* JJ (DSM 2067) strain is selected as the reference genome. The type of Cas protein (CRISPR mode) is then selected, and the advanced options display is opened. For LbCas12a (Cpf1), 20-24 and TTTN are entered for the sgRNA length without PAM and the 5'-PAM, respectively. For SpCas9, 20 and NGG are entered for the sgRNA length without PAM and the PAM-3', respectively. CHOPCHOP output will list several suitable gRNA sequences for CRISPR editing within the nucleotide sequence of interest. It is recommended to select three of the top 10 gRNA sequences. Two oligonucleotide primers are designed based on these sequences without the 5'-PAM. The forward primer consists of the complementary nucleotide sequence of the forward cohesive end site (established by *PaqCI* digestion on pMM002P or pMM005), followed by the nucleotide sequence provided by CHOPCHOP. The reverse primer is fashioned in a similar manner, consisting of the reverse complementary sequence of the reverse cohesive end site (established by *PaqCI* digestion on pMM002P or pMM005), followed by the reverse complementary sequence of the nucleotide sequence provided by CHOPCHOP. Forward and reverse primers are annealed, with the resulting double-stranded DNA fragment then ligated into the plasmid (pMM002P or pMM005) backbone via the *PaqCI* cohesive ends. Provided below are examples of the above-mentioned components.

Nucleotide sequence of gRNA with the 5'-PAM underlined:

**TTTNAAAATTTTCCCCGGGAAAA**

Forward oligonucleotide primer:

**5'-AGATAAAATTTTCCCCGGGAAAA**

Reverse oligonucleotide primer:

5'-TATCTTTTCCCCGGGAAAATTT

5'- and 3'-overhanging *Paq*CI cohesive ends in the plasmid backbone:

5'- ....NNNN // GATANNNN....  
3'- ....NNNNTCTA // NNNN....

**Repair fragment (RF) insertion.** The RF is introduced into *M. maripaludis* cells separately as a suicide plasmid or PCR fragment, or else by being included within the CRISPR/Cas plasmid. For the latter option, the presence of an *Mre*I restriction site between the gRNA and Cas elements will facilitate RF insertion.

**Quick natural transformation protocol<sup>7</sup> in *M. maripaludis*:**

1. Grow a 5 mL of *M. maripaludis* culture in McC medium until OD between 0.7 and 1.2 is reached. The freshness of the seed culture used to inoculate the culture to be transformed positively affects the transformation efficiency.
2. Once the desired OD is reached, add 2  $\mu\text{g}$  of the CRISPR plasmid (plus 2  $\mu\text{g}$  of the linear repair fragment or the suicide plasmid, if provided separately).
3. Flush the culture with 80% H<sub>2</sub>, 20% CO<sub>2</sub>, for 0.5 min, and pressurize the culture to 2.8 bar (absolute pressure).
4. Incubate the culture on a shaker at 37°C, 200 rpm, for 4 hours.
5. Plate an appropriate amount on McC medium with puromycin.

## Promoter sequences used in this study

*P<sub>mtr</sub>* from *Methanococcus vannielii* SB

tcctatgaatattaaggaggccttttgcttcctttttatacctattatatattgttcggaatcattaacaatattgctaataaaatata  
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gctaacggcatagataacgttctaggctttaagccactagaagtcataagctaacattcccgtatattgtgaggtgaaata

*P<sub>mcr</sub>* from *Methanococcus vannielii* SB

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ttaatgaaaactgaatatacttctttaataatgttatgatgatataatcaaaaaataggagtggtcct

*P<sub>mcrR</sub>* from *Methanococcus vannielii* SB

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aaaactaatattggaattctatttttaatagaattactactactattttataaaaagtaataagatggtta

*P<sub>eha</sub>* from *Methanococcus vannielii* SB

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aatcgtggtaaa

*P<sub>eha w. TF</sub>* from *Methanococcus vannielii* SB

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aaaaaggtctctgatgtactttcaataatacagataatacagatatttccaaaagacgaaattcccccaatatattctataaaaaagaa  
tgtatgattgtacactgctggtgatatta

The coding sequence of the putative transcription factor is underlined.

*P<sub>ehb</sub>* from *Methanococcus vannielii* SB

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*P<sub>hdrA2</sub>* from *Methanococcus vannielii* SB

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*P<sub>hdrC2</sub>* from *Methanococcus vannielii* SB

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*P<sub>hdrC1</sub>* from *Methanococcus vannielii* SB

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*P<sub>fdh</sub>* from *Methanococcus vannielii* SB

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*P<sub>mcr\_JJ</sub>* from *Methanococcus maripaludis* JJ

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*P<sub>mcrR\_JJ</sub>* from *Methanococcus maripaludis* JJ

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*P<sub>fia\_JJ</sub>* from *Methanococcus maripaludis* JJ

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ggtaaaaatctcaaggattcatacagattctaaaggctagaactctgaaaagaagctggtgaacttaggagggtcaatc

BRE region is in red; TATA box is in blue; ribosome binding site is in green; transcription factor EarA binding sites are in orange; transcription start site is in gray box<sup>9</sup>.

*P<sub>glnA</sub>* from *Methanococcus vannielii* SB

taaatcacctgaatttggaataattcataattatctgaaaagtatatcaaactatccaaatattaaaaattaccgccatttaaaat  
attgaatgtaccgtaaactatataattgaaaaagcggaaagctatttctataaaagatgatttggagggaatatat

Two putative TATA boxes are in blue. The two putative TATA box are overlapped. The first TATA box is underlined, and the second TATA box is in yellow box; operator is in purple; ribosome binding site is in green; putative transcription start sites are in gray box<sup>10</sup>.

*P<sub>nif</sub>* from *Methanococcus vannielii* SB

ctttttaccacctgaaagaaaaacttatacttaatatattttcttagtaatttaaagaagtttcgtattgaattaaataaaaagttaaatac  
cacagtttaactttatgtaattttttatgattaatgtttttattagctaatccgaaagatttatataattggaatatagtatatgatatt  
tcaccggaagtacttccgtaataataataataaaggaaataaattcctaaaatgatgatgcaatagaggcttagt

TATA box is in blue; transcription start site is in gray box; operators are in purple<sup>1</sup>.



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