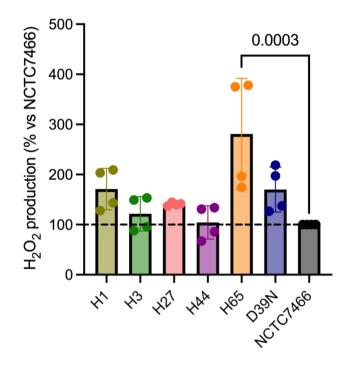
1 Supplementary Information

Supplementary Figure 1. Hydrogen peroxide production by six D39 strains. Data
are presented as relative (percentage) H₂O₂ production for each strain versus
NCTC7466, after normalisation for cell density, as determined by Amplex Red Hydrogen
Peroxide detection kit. Data are from two independent experiments. Statistical analysis
was by ordinary one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's multiple comparison test vs NCTC7466.
Only statistically significant differences are shown.



8 9 Supplementary Table 1. Minimum inhibitory concentrations of beta lactam
 antibiotics against six D39 strains. Data are presented as median MIC50 (µg/ml) with
 the range of observed MIC50 values from three independent experiments, each
 containing three technical replicates per strain.

Strain	Cefotaxime	Penicillin	Ampicillin
H1	0.0039 (0.0039-0.0078)	0.0039 (0.0039-0.0078)	0.1 (0.06-0.1)
H3	0.0078	0.0078 (0.0039-0.0078)	0.1
H27	0.0078 (0.0078-0.0156)	0.0078 (0.0078-0.0156)	0.1
H44	0.0078	0.0078 (0.0039-0.0078)	0.1
H65	0.0078 (0.0078-0.0156)	0.0078 (0.0078-0.0156)	0.1
D39N	0.0078	0.0078 (0.0039-0.0078)	0.1
NCTC7466	0.0078 (0.0078-0.0156)	0.0078 (0.0039-0.0078)	0.1

Supplementary Table 2. Transformation efficiency of six D39 strains. Data are
 presented as mean transformation efficiency from three independent experiments, each
 containing two technical replicates per strains. P values are from one-way ANOVA with

4 Dunnett's multiple comparisons test, with NCTC7466 as the control strain.

Strain	Transformation efficiency	Standard deviation	P-value vs NCTC7466
H1	2.37 x 10 ⁻³	0.0002484	0.1252
H3	5.76 x 10 ⁻³	0.0005558	0.2622
H27	2.16 x 10 ⁻³	0.0006583	0.2937
H44	2.72 x 10 ⁻³	0.0000584	*0.0426
H65	4.42 x 10 ⁻⁴	0.0003575	0.0842
D39N	2.84 x 10 ⁻³	0.0004903	0.3523
NCTC7466	4.00 x 10 ⁻³	0.0000096	

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