

Supplementary material

Manuscript:

Gre factors are required for biofilm formation in *Salmonella enterica* serovar Typhimurium by targeting transcription of the *csgD* gene.

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GreA MG1655  1  MQAIPMTLRGAEKLREELDFLKSVRRPEIIAAIAEAREHGDLKNAEYHAAREQQGFCEG  60
               MQAIPMTLRGAEKLREELDFLKSVRRPEIIAAIAEAREHGDLKNAEYHAAREQQGFCEG
GreA SALM    1  MQAIPMTLRGAEKLREELDFLKSVRRPEIIAAIAEAREHGDLKNAEYHAAREQQGFCEG  60

GreA MG1655 61  RIKDIEAKLSNAQVIDVTKMPNNGRVIFGATVTVLNLDSDEEQTYRIVGDDEADFKQNLI  120
               RIKDIEAKLSNAQVIDVTKMPNNGRVIFGATVTVLNLD+DEEQTYRIVGDDEADFKQNLI
GreA SALM    61  RIKDIEAKLSNAQVIDVTKMPNNGRVIFGATVTVLNLDTDEEQTYRIVGDDEADFKQNLI  120

GreA MG1655 121  SVNSPIARGLIGKEEDDVVVIKTPGGEVEFEVLKVEYL  158
               SVNSPIARGLIGKE+DDVVVIKTPGG+VE+EV+KVEYL
GreA SALM    121  SVNSPIARGLIGKEQDDVVVIKTPGGDVEYEVLKVEYL  158

Identities:153/158(97%), Positives:158/158(100%), Gaps:0/158(0%)

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Figure S1. Alignment of the GreA proteins from the *E. coli* strain MG1655 (GreA MG1655) and from the *S. Typhimurium* strains ATCC14028 and SL1433 (GreA SALM). In yellow are labelled the mismatches and in green the residues 41 and 44.

Table S1. Strains and plasmids used in this study.

Strain	Relevant characteristics	Reference
SV5015	<i>Salmonella enterica</i> serovar Typhimurium SL1344 <i>his</i> ⁺	[1]
TGC-1	SV5015 $\Delta greA$	[2]
TGC-2	SV5015 $\Delta greB$	[2]
TGC-3	SV5015 $\Delta greA\Delta greB$	[2]
UMR1	ATCC 14028 nal ^R	[3]
TGC-43	UMR1 $\Delta greA$ -km ^R	This study
TGC-44	UMR1 $\Delta greB$ -km ^R	This study
TGC-45	UMR1 $\Delta greA\Delta greB$	This study
MAE50	UMR1 $\Delta csgD$	[4]
MAE46	UMR1 $\Delta ompR$	[4]
MAE52	UMR1 <i>PcsgD1</i>	[5]
TGC-51	MAE52 $\Delta greA$	This study
TGC-52	MAE52 $\Delta greB$	This study
TGC-50	MAE52 $\Delta greA\Delta greB$ -km ^R	This study
TGC-46	UMR1 <i>csgD</i> _{+9::lacZ} (km ^R)	This study
TGC-47	UMR1 $\Delta greA\Delta greB$ <i>csgD</i> _{+9::lacZ} (km ^R)	This study
TGC-48	UMR1 <i>csgD</i> _{+147::lacZ} (km ^R)	This study
TGC-49	UMR1 $\Delta greA\Delta greB$ <i>csgD</i> _{+147::lacZ} (km ^R)	This study
TGC-61	SV5015 <i>araBAD</i> -cm ^R <i>araC</i> -km ^R	[2]
	UMR1 <i>araBAD</i> -cm ^R <i>araC</i> -km ^R	This study
	UMR1 $\Delta greA\Delta greB$ <i>araBAD</i> -cm ^R <i>araC</i> -km ^R	This study
Strain	Relevant characteristics	Reference
pBR322	ori pMB1, tc ^R ap ^R	[6]
pBRgreA	pBR322+ <i>greA</i> _{SV5015} , ap ^R	[2]
pBRgreB	pBR322+ <i>greB</i> _{SV5015} , ap ^R	[2]
pBRgreAgreB	pBR322+ <i>greA</i> _{SV5015} , ap ^R	[2]
pHM1883	P _{trc} expression vector, ori pGB2, spec ^R	[7]
pHM1873	pHM1883+ <i>greA</i> _{MG1655}	[2]
pHM1854	pHM1883+ <i>greA</i> _{MG1655} (D41A, E44Y)	[2]
pTT68	PBAD-MCS- <i>lacZ</i> , ori RO1600/MB1 amp ^R	[2]
pUTRcsgD	pTT68+5'UTR <i>csgD</i>	This study
pKD4	oriR6K FRT km ^R PS1 PS2 amp ^R	[8]
pCP20	pSC101 ori ^{TS} cl857 λ PR flp amp ^R	[8]
pKG136	oriR6K FRT <i>lacZY</i> + <i>t</i> _{his} km ^R	[9]

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Table S2. Primers used in this study.

Primer name	Sequence
csgD +9	5'ACTTGCTTTAAGATTTGTAATGGCTAGATTGAAA ACAGTTAAAAGTGTAGGCTGGAGCTGCTTC3'
csgD+147	5'GGGGGCAGCTGTCAGATGTGCGATTAAAAAAG TGGAGTTTCATCATGTAGGCTGGAGCTGCTTC3'
csgD lac Rev	5'GTA ACTCTGCTGCTACAATCCAGGTCAGATAGC GTTTCATGGCCCATATGAATATCCTCCTTAGT3'
csgD up	5'CTTTAAGATTTGTAATGGC3'
csgD down	5'GCATGCAGGTTTCCGGTAGC3'
csgD UTR Fw	5'GCCCATGGCAGTTAAAAGTATTTTCG3'
csgDUTR Rv	5'GCGTCGACCATTAAACATGATGAAAC3'
qCsgDfw	5'ACGCTACTGAAGACCAGGAAC3'
qCsgDrev	5'GCATTGCCACGCAGAATA3'
qrecAfw	5'GGCGAAATCGGCGACTCT3'
qrecArv	5'CATACGGATCTGGTTGATGAAAATC3'

File S1. Information regarding construction of the *csgD::lacZ* chromosomal fusions.

Nucleotide sequence of the SL1344 chromosomal region carrying the *csgD* gene. The first and last codon of the *csgD* ORF are indicated in bold. The bold capital G indicates the +1 position of the *csgD* transcript. The position of the *csgD* specific sequences of primers CsgD+9, CsgD+147 and CsgD lac Rev are indicated underlined in yellow, green and blue, respectively. The P1 and P2 sequence flanking the antibiotic resistance cassette are indicated in violet and red color, respectively.

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1  tggttacaag tttaacactt gctttaagat ttgtaatggc tagattgaaa acaGttaaaa
61 gtatatttctgt aaatatatttt ctctttctgg ataatgggct atttcaaccc acagcagtgc
121 aacatctgtc agtacttctg gtgcctttat tttatggggg cagctgtcag atgtgcgatt
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241 tgttgatcac aaagccatct ctgcaagcta cggcattatt gcaacattta aagcaatcgc
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781 ttttcaaaaa gatagctgtc aaaaatcgca cccaggcagt ttcattgggca aacgataatc
841 tcaggcggta aggccatgaa acgctatctg acctggattg tagcagcaga gttactgttc
901 gctaccggaa acctgcatgc caatgaagtt gaagtcgagg ttcccggatt gttaaccgac
961 cataccgtct cttcgatagg acatgaattc tatcgtgcac tcagcgacaa atgggaaagc
1021 gaatacaccg gcaatctgac cattaatgaa a

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CsgD+9

5' **ACTTGCTTTAAGATTTGTAATGGCTAGATTGAAAACAGTTAAAAGTGT** **AGGCTGGAGCTGCTTC** 3'

CsgD+147

5' **GGGGGCAGCTGTCAGATGTGCGATTAAAAAAGTGGAGTTTCATCATGT** **AGGCTGGAGCTGCTTC** 3'

CsgD lac Rev

5' **GTA****ACTCTGCTGCTACAATCCAGGTCAGATAGCGTTTCATGGCC** **CATATGAATATCCTCCTTAGT** 3'

Below, in I to IV, a schematic representation of the generation of the *csgD*₊₉::*lacZ* chromosomal fusion is shown.

Step I: PCR amplification of a fragment carrying an antibiotic resistance cassette flanked by two FRT sequences and *csgD* specific sequences (yellow and blue underlined sequences).

Step II: Integration of the PCR fragment into the SL1344 chromosome by homologous recombination.

Step III: Elimination of the antibiotic resistance cassette by site-specific recombination of the FRT sequences mediated by the FLP recombinase encoded by pCP20.

Step IV: Integration of the pKG136 plasmid carrying a promoter less *lacZ* gene downstream of a FRT sequence into the SL1344 chromosome.

Red framed panel are the final *csgD*₊₉::*lacZ* and *csgD*₊₁₄₇::*lacZ* chromosomal construct.

