

Table S1. List of *Bacillus cereus* group strains used in this study.

Code (ID)	Origin (Source)	Bacterial strains
BA002	Sheep (anthrax outbreak in Apulia region of 1993)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA004	Goat (anthrax outbreak in Apulia region of 1993)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA005	Sheep (anthrax outbreak in Apulia region of 1993)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA008	Sheep (anthrax outbreak in Sicily region of 1996)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA010	Donkey (anthrax outbreak in Sicily region of 1996)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA019	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Basilicata region of 1999)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA021	34F2 Sterne vaccine strain	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁻)
BA022	Sheep (anthrax outbreak in Apulia region of 1984)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA031	Sheep (anthrax outbreak in Apulia region of 1984)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA045	Sheep (anthrax outbreak in Apulia region of 2000)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA048	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Sardinia region of 2000)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA049	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Veneto region of 1992)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA051	Human (anthrax outbreak in Lazio region of 1999)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA052	Sheep (anthrax outbreak in Lazio region of 1999)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA053	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Tuscany region of 1999)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA058	Sheep (anthrax outbreak in Apulia region of 2001)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA063	Sheep (anthrax outbreak in Basilicata region of 2002)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA065	Goat (anthrax outbreak in Calabria region of 2002)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA103	Deer (anthrax outbreak in Basilicata region of 2004)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA105	Soil (cursed fields in Basilicata region -2004)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA120	Swine (anthrax outbreak in Basilicata region of 2004)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA124	Goat (anthrax outbreak in Sardinia region of 1996)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA132	Goat (anthrax outbreak in Apulia region of 2005)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA135	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Sicily region of 2005)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA140	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Basilicata region of 2006)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA145	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Tuscany region of 2008)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA152	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Umbria region of 2009)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA156	Soil (cursed fields in Tuscany region -2009)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA174	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Sicily region of 2009)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA175	Sheep (anthrax outbreak in Basilicata region of 2009)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA180	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Sicily region of 2009)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA181	Sheep (anthrax outbreak in Campania region of 2009)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA182	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Basilicata region of 2009)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA183	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Lombardia region of 1989)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA184	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Apulia region of 2009)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA187	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Trentino Alto Adige region of 2006)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA188	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Veneto region of 2007)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA300	Equine (anthrax outbreak in Campania region of 2011)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA308	Sheep (anthrax outbreak in Basilicata region of 2011)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA421	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Sicily region of 2012)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA430	Human (anthrax outbreak in Basilicata region of 2012)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA434	Soil (cursed fields in Basilicata region - 2012)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA439	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Sicily region of 2012)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA441	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Tuscany region of 2012)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)

BA651	Soil (cursed fields in Basilicata region - 2014)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA661	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Basilicata region of 2014)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA662	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Sicily region of 2014)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA718	Goat (anthrax outbreak in Abruzzo region of 2016)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA719	Sheep (anthrax outbreak in Lazio region of 2016)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA722	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Sicily region of 2016)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA726	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Lazio region of 2017)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA729	Sheep (anthrax outbreak in Campania region of 2017)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA730	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Lazio region of 2018)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA733	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Sicily region of 2018)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA741	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Apulia region of 2019)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA742	Cattle (anthrax outbreak in Calabria region of 2020)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BA743	Goat (anthrax outbreak in Campania region of 2020)	<i>B. anthracis</i> (pXO1 ⁺ /pXO2 ⁺)
BCG126	Mozzarella	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG128	Mozzarella	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG129	Mozzarella	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG131	Mozzarella	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG132	Buffalo mozzarella	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG134	Burrata	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG135	Raw cow's milk	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG136	Raw cow's milk	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG137	Pasteurized milk	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG139	Mozzarella	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG145	Bovine meat	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG146	Butter	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG148	Mozzarella	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG149	Mozzarella	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG150	Mozzarella	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG152	Yogurt	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG153	Wurstel	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG157	Fresh cheese	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG164	Swordfish with olives	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG165	Butter	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG169	Common wheat flour	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG171	Mozzarella	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG174	Egg pasta (pappardelle)	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG178	Bulk milk	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG180	Ice cream	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG183	Goat cheese	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG184	Rocket salad	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG191	Mozzarella	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG192	Caciocavallo	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG194	Caciocavallo	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG197	Mozzarella	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG198	Mozzarella	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG199	Mozzarella	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG200	Aged cheese	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG201	Ricotta	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG218	Pasta filata cheese	<i>B. cereus</i>

BCG222	Scamorza	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG235	Artichokes	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG243	Salad	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG249	Packaged ice cream cone	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG250	Industrial biscuits	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG251	Industrial biscuits	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG253	Industrial biscuits	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG254	Industrial biscuits	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG255	Industrial chocolate biscuits	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG263	Panettone	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG265	Truffle	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG294A	Mozzarella	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG337A	Artichokes	<i>B. cereus</i>
BCG020	Food	<i>B. mycoides</i>
BCG140	Fresh sweet sausage	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG142	Bulk milk	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG144	Ice cream	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG151	Fiordilatte	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG155	Mozzarella	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG156	Giuncata	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG160	Smoked cheese	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG168	Aged cheese	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG172	Fresh cheese	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG173	Mozzarella	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG175	Focaccia with smoked cheese	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG176	Ricotta	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG179	Sandwich	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG186	Caciotta	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG188	Mozzarella	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG189	Mozzarella	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG190	Mozzarella	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG202	Fava beans	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG203	Finocchio	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG204	Salad	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG220	Caciocavallo	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG224	Caciocavallo	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG232	Chicory	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG242	Green beans	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG254A	Fiordilatte	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG256	Industrial chocolate biscuits	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG335A	Kale	<i>B. thuringensis</i>
BCG130	Mozzarella	<i>B. toyonensis</i>
BCG159	Mozzarella	<i>B. toyonensis</i>
BCG185	Mixed salad	<i>B. toyonensis</i>
BCG225	Mozzarella	<i>B. toyonensis</i>
BCG233	Rocket salad	<i>B. toyonensis</i>
BCG237	Salad	<i>B. toyonensis</i>
BCG262	Almond sweets	<i>B. toyonensis</i>
BCG147	Mozzarella	<i>B. weihenstephanensis</i>

BCG127	Mozzarella	<i>B. wiedmannii</i>
BCG133	Buffalo mozzarella	<i>B. wiedmannii</i>
BCG141	Caciocavallo	<i>B. wiedmannii</i>
BCG154	Mozzarella	<i>B. wiedmannii</i>
BCG161	Mozzarella	<i>B. wiedmannii</i>
BCG162	Mozzarella	<i>B. wiedmannii</i>
BCG167	Wurstel	<i>B. wiedmannii</i>
BCG177	Ricotta	<i>B. wiedmannii</i>
BCG182	Scamorza	<i>B. wiedmannii</i>
BCG187	Mozzarella	<i>B. wiedmannii</i>
BCG193	Mozzarella	<i>B. wiedmannii</i>
BCG195	Ricotta	<i>B. wiedmannii</i>
BCG226	Mozzarella	<i>B. wiedmannii</i>
BCG234	Salad	<i>B. wiedmannii</i>
BCG245	Egg pasta (ravioli)	<i>B. wiedmannii</i>
BCG248	Surimi	<i>B. wiedmannii</i>
BCG252	Wholemeal industrial biscuits	<i>B. wiedmannii</i>
BCG286A	Mozzarella	<i>B. wiedmannii</i>
