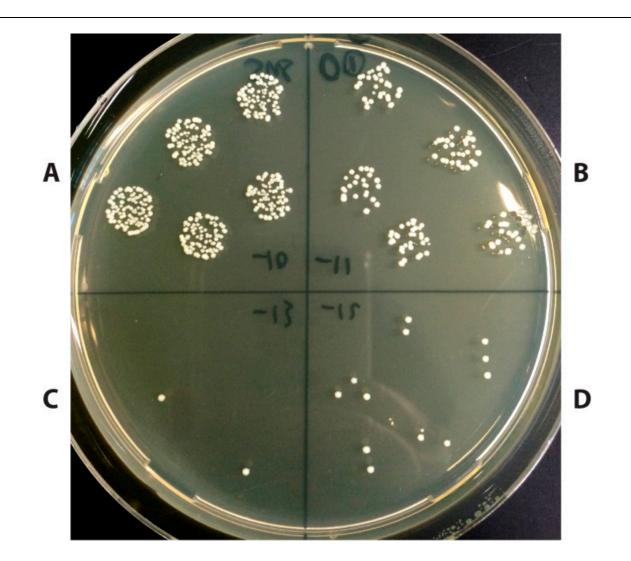
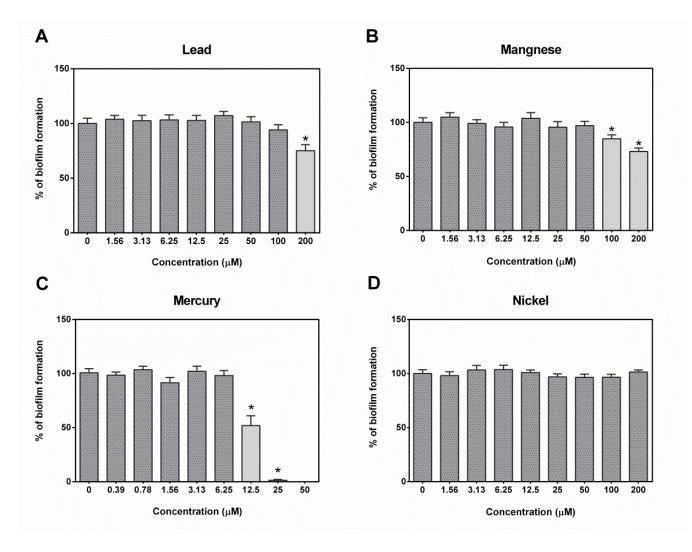
## Cadmium Modulates Biofilm Formation by *Staphylococcus epidermidis*



**Figure S1.** Example of a drop plate assay. Five 10  $\mu$ L drops of 10<sup>10</sup>, 10<sup>11</sup>, 10<sup>12</sup> and 10<sup>13</sup> times diluted bacterial suspension were dropped on areas **A**, **B**, **C** and **D**, respectively. Bacterial colonies from each drop can be counted after culture the plate 24 h at 37 °C.



**Figure S2.** Mean percentage ( $\pm$  SEM) of *S. epidermidis* (ATCC35984) biofilm formation after exposure to 1.56–200  $\mu$ M lead (**A**), manganese (**B**) or 0.39–50 mercury (**C**), or nickel (**D**). \* indicates significant (p < 0.01) difference between treatments and control (0  $\mu$ M).

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