

**Supplementary Table S1. Control strains, primers sequences and PCR conditions to detect fimbriae-encoding genes of *E. coli***

Gene	Sequences (5' - 3')	Annealing temperature / Incubation	Fragment (pb)	Primers reference	Control strains	Strain reference
<i>fimA</i>	(F) CTGTCGGCTCTGTCCCTCAGT	65°C / 1 min	161	Nowrouzian et al., 2005	J96 (+)	Hull et al., 1981
	(R) GATGCGGTACGAACCTGTCTAA				UEL13 (-)	Rocha et al., 2007
<i>fimH</i>	(F) GACGTCACCTGCCCTCCGGTA	63°C / 1 min	508	Hernandes et al., 2011	J96 (+)	Hull et al., 1981
	(R) TGCAGAACGGATAAGCCGTGG				UEL13 (-)	Rocha et al., 2007
<i>papA</i>	(F) CACATTATCACCATCTTC	50°C / 1 min	306	This study (GenBank: NC_007946)	J96 (+)	Hull et al., 1981
	(R) TCTATTGATTTGGACAGC				UEL13 (-)	Rocha et al., 2007
<i>sfaD-E</i>	(F) CTCCGGAGAACTGGGTGCATCTTAC	50°C / 40 sec	410	Le Bouguénec et al., 1992	RS218 (+)	Johnson et al., 2001
	(R) CGGAGGAGTAATTACAACCTGGCA				DH5 $\alpha$ (-)	Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>bfpA</i>	(F) GGTCTGTCTTGATTGAATC	55°C / 1 min	485	This study (GenBank: NC_002142)	E2348/69 (+)	Levine et al., 1985
	(R) TTTACATGCAGTTGCCGCTT				C600 (-)	Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>ecpA</i>	(F) GCCGCTGATGATGGAGAAAG	56°C / 1 min	384	Saldaña et al., 2009	E2348/69 (+)	Levine et al., 1985
	(R) GCAACAGCCAAAAAGACACC				1551-2 (-)	Yamamoto et al., 2017
<i>ldaH</i>	(F) CCCCGGTTTACGCCTTTGT	64°C / 1 min	391	This study (GenBank: AY858803.1)	<i>E. coli</i> 22 (+)	Scaletsky et al., 2005
	(R) CGTAACCCTGCCGTCCGATAGA				C600 (-)	Sambrook et al., 1989

<i>aggA</i>	(F) GCGTTAGAAAGACCTCCAATA (R) GCCGGATCCTTAAAAATTAAATTCCGGC	55°C / 1 min	462	Bernier et al., 2002	17-2 (+) C600 (-)	Nataro et al., 1993 Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>aafA</i>	(F) ACATGCATGCAAAAATCAGAATGTTGTT (R) CGGGATCCATTGTCAAGCTCAGC	63°C / 1 min	550	Czeczulin et al., 1997	042 (+) C600 (-)	Vial et al., 1988 Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>agg3A</i>	(F) GTATCATTGCGAGTCTGGTATTCAAG (R) GGGCTGTTATAGAGTAACCTCCAG	60°C / 1 min	462	Bernier et al., 2002	RN785-1 (+) C600 (-)	Zamboni et al., 2004 Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>agg4A</i>	(F) TGAGTTGTGGGGCTAYCTGGA (R) CACCATAAGCCGCCAAATAAGC	57°C / 1 min	169	Boisen et al., 2008	BA1116 (+) DH5α (-)	Abe et al., 2009 Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>pilS</i>	(F) ATGAGCGTCATAACCTGTT (R) CTGTTGGTTCCAGTTGAT	50°C / 1 min	534	Dudley et al., 2006	C1096 (+) C600 (-)	Cobeljic et al., 1996 Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>pilV</i>	(F) ATGCAAAAAGACAACGATAA (R) TTAATTGAGCGTTACACACG	50°C / 1 min	1194	Dudley et al., 2006	C1096 (+) C600 (-)	Cobeljic et al., 1996 Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>lngA</i>	(F) AAAAATGCCAAATACCAT (R) GTTTGTCCATTGTTACCT	55°C / 45 sec	588	This study (GenBank: AF004308)	E9034A (+) C600 (-)	Girón et al., 1994 Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>cfaB</i>	(F) GCTCTGACCACAATGTTG (R) TTACACCGGATGCAGAATA	54°C / 1 min	364	Ghosal et al., 2007	H10407 (+) C600 (-)	Evans et al., 1975 Sambrook et al., 1989

<i>cooA</i>	(F) TTGACCTTCTGCAATCTGA (R) CATCTGCATGGATTGTTGAAAG	54°C / 1 min	324	Ghosal et al., 2007	170A1 (+) C600 (-)	This study Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>cotA</i>	(F) GAGAAAAATATCACTGTAAGTG (R) TATTAGTTGCTGGGTGCTTC	57°C / 1 min	385	This study (GenBank: Z47800.1)	E4833 (+) DH5α (-)	Guth et al., 1994 Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>cstA</i>	(F) GGTGGGTGTTTGACTCTT (R) TGTCGTTACCTTCAGTGG	54°C / 1 min	264	Ghosal et al., 2007	PB176 (+) C600 (-)	Evans and Evans, 1978 Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>cofA</i>	(F) GCCTTCTGGAAGTCATCAT (R) TGCCACATACTCCCAGTTA	52°C / 40 sec	437	Ghosal et al., 2007	220A1 (+) DH5α (-)	This study Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>csaA</i>	(F) TTTTGCAAGCTGATGGTAG (R) TCTGCAGGTTCAAAAGTCA	54°C / 1 min	250	Ghosal et al., 2007	E8775 (+) C600 (-)	Thomas et al., 1982 Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>csfA</i>	(F) CGGATTGGATATAACCGTT (R) TCAACAGCAAATGTTACCG	54°C / 1 min	453	Ghosal et al., 2007	4961-2 (+) C600 (-)	Giraldi and Guth, 1993 Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>cssA</i>	(F) TTTTGCAAGCTGATGGTAG (R) TCTGCAGGTTCAAAAGTCA	54°C / 1 min	250	Ghosal et al., 2007	E17018A (+) C600 (-)	McConnell et al., 1988 Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>daaC</i>	(F) GTTCTGACGCACCTCTATCCG (R) CATTGGACCCTGGCGTGTAG	64°C / 1 min	286	This study (GenBank: EU010379.1)	C1845 (+) DH5α (-)	Bilge et al., 1989 Sambrook et al., 1989

<i>sfpA</i>	(F) AGCCAAGGCCAAGGGATTATTA (R) TTAGAACAGCAGTGAAGTCTC	64°C - 1 min	440	Brunder et al., 2001	O157:H <sup>-</sup> (+) C600 (-)	Blanco et al., 1995 Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>hcpA</i>	(F) TCGCTAGTTGCTGACAGATT (R) AATGTCTGTTGTGCGACTG	50°C / 1 min	868	Xicohtencatl-Cortes et al., 2007	EDL933 (+) H10407 (-)	Perna et al., 2001 Evans et al., 1975
<i>lpfA_0113</i>	(F) ATGAAGCGTAATATTATAG (R) TTATTCTTATATTCGAC	52°C / 1 min	573	Doudhtry et al., 2002	STEC50 (+) DH5 $\alpha$ (-)	Vaz et al., 2006 Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>lpfA1-1</i>	(F) GTGCTGGATTCAACCATTTCATCG (R) AGTTGGTGATAAAATCACCAT	59°C / 30 sec	222	Torres et al., 2009	E2348/69(+) C600 (-)	Levine et al., 1985 Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>lpfA1-2</i>	(F) AAGTCTGTATTTACTGCTATG (R) GAAATACAGAACGGTCTGA	57°C / 30 sec	273	Torres et al., 2009	FV10094 (+) C600 (-)	Torres et al., 2009 Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>lpfA1-3</i>	(F) GGTTGGTGACAAATCCCCG (R) CGTCTGGCCTTACTCAGA	62°C / 30 sec	244	Torres et al., 2009	EDL933 (+) C600 (-)	Perna et al., 2001 Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>lpfA1-5</i>	(F) GGTTGGTGACAAATCCCCG (R) GAGAACCGTCTGGCCTGTT	60°C / 30 sec	273	Torres et al., 2009	FV10106 (+) DH5 $\alpha$ (-)	Torres et al., 2009 Sambrook et al., 1989
<i>lpfA2-1</i>	(F) GGTAGTCTGGCGTCGCCACAGA (R) AATACGAATACCAACGCCG	60°C / 30 sec	207	Torres et al., 2009	FV10132 (+) C600 (-)	Torres et al., 2009 Sambrook et al., 1989

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