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## April 2019

### Friday, April 5, 2019

#### To Do:

1. Electroporate reporter strains with pF plasmids with C. Bouchard (making up CMB415 lab work)
2. Pour CHAH plates with Kan50 and Xgal100

### Results and Data:

#### Electroporations:

Number	Strain	Plasmid	Notes
1	LVS $P_{priM}$ -lacZ	pF	EP by C. Bouchard
2	LVS $\Delta pmrA$ $P_{priM}$ -lacZ	pF	EP by C. Bouchard; arced
3	LVS $\Delta pmrA$ $P_{priM}$ -lacZ	pF-PmrA	EP by C. Bouchard
4	LVS $\Delta pmrA$ $P_{priM}$ -lacZ	pSD26	EP by C. Bouchard
5	LVS $P_{priM}$ -lacZ	pF	EP by KMR
6	LVS $\Delta pmrA$ $P_{priM}$ -lacZ	pF	EP by KMR
7	LVS $\Delta pmrA$ $P_{priM}$ -lacZ	pF-PmrA	EP by KMR
8	LVS $\Delta pmrA$ $P_{priM}$ -lacZ	pSD26	EP by KMR

50 ul of cells, 3 ul of plasmid per electroporation  
Recovered in 5 mL MHB from ~9- 12:30pm

Plated 20 and 100 from EPs 1-3, 5-7  
Plated 2x 100 ul, 2x 500 ul, 2x 1mL for EPs 4 and 8

### Wednesday, April 10, 2019

#### To Do:

3. Check on electroporation plates
4. Streak out white colonies from transposon insertion electroporation

### Results and Data:

#### Electroporation Results: colony appearance

Number	Strain	Plasmid	Notes
1	LVS $P_{priM}$ -lacZ	pF	White, large
2	LVS $\Delta pmrA$ $P_{priM}$ -lacZ	pF	Blue, small
3	LVS $\Delta pmrA$ $P_{priM}$ -lacZ	pF-PmrA	White, large
4	LVS $\Delta pmrA$ $P_{priM}$ -lacZ	pSD26	Mostly blue, small, a few white
5	LVS $P_{priM}$ -lacZ	pF	White, large
6	LVS $\Delta pmrA$ $P_{priM}$ -lacZ	pF	Blue, small
7	LVS $\Delta pmrA$ $P_{priM}$ -lacZ	pF-PmrA	White, large
8	LVS $\Delta pmrA$ $P_{priM}$ -lacZ	pSD26	Mostly blue, small, a few white

Patched out

**Thursday, April 11, 2019**

**To Do:**

1. PCR for *lacZ* gene from transposon insertion clones
2. PCR for pKR32

**Results and Data:**

Reaction	DNA	Expected result
1	1:10 patch 1 (white)	?
2	1:10 patch 2 (white)	?
3	1:10 patch 3 (white)	?
4	1:10 patch 4 (white)	?
5	1:10 patch 5 (blue)	3469 ( <i>lacZ</i> )
6	LVS gDNA	1792 ( <i>priM</i> )
7	Negative control, no template	

Transposon from pSD26 is 1441 bp; integration into *lacZ* would result in product of 4,910 bp

Total reaction volume	20
Total number of reactions	7

Component	Stock concentration	Final concentration	1 rxn volume	Factor
ddiH2O			4	8.7
KOD buffer	2x	1x	10	87
dNTPs	2 mM	0.4 mM	4	34.8
oligo F	10 uM	0.3 uM	0.6	5.22
oligo R	10 uM	0.3 uM	0.6	5.22
template	100 ng/ul	2 ng/ul	0.4	
KOD	1 U/ul	0.02 U/ul	0.4	3.48
Total volume			20	

Used 2 ul lysates and 0.6 uL H2O or gDNA.

Run program STN1 with 5' extension.

Reaction	DNA	Expected result
1	1:10 patch 1 (white)	?
2	1:10 patch 2 (white)	?
3	1:10 patch 3 (blue)	3469
4	LVS gDNA	1792
5	Negative control, no template	

Transposon from pSD26 is 1441 bp; integration into *lacZ* would result in product of 4,910 bp

PCR setup for C. Bouchard:

Total reaction volume	20
Total number of reactions	5

Component	Stock concentration	Final concentration	1 rxn volume	Factor
				6.6
ddiH <sub>2</sub> O			4	26.4
KOD buffer	2x	1x	10	66
dNTPs	2 mM	0.4 mM	4	26.4
oligo F	10 uM	0.3 uM	0.6	3.96
oligo R	10 uM	0.3 uM	0.6	3.96
template	Bacterial cells	2 ng/ul	1	-
KOD	1 U/ul	0.02 U/ul	0.4	2.64
		Total volume	20	132

Make master mix tube

Aliquot out reactions into PCR strip tubes: 19.6ul of master mix

Add template (bacterial cells)

Put tubes in thermocycler, use program STN1 with 5' extension time

Run gel Tuesday

### Start cloning pKR32:

Set up PCR:

Reactions

Number	Primers	Target	Expected size	For plasmid
1	KROL157, KROL158	FTL_1548_frag	317 bp	pKR32
2	KROL15 FTL1251fragF KROL16 FTL1251fragR	Positive control: FTL_1251 internal	456 bp	Positive control
3	KROL15 FTL1251fragF KROL16 FTL1251fragR	Negative control: FTL_1251 internal	456 bp	No DNA

Total reaction volume	100
Total number of reactions	2

Component	Stock concentration	Final concentration	1 rxn volume	Factor
				3.3
ddiH <sub>2</sub> O			20	66
KOD buffer	2x	1x	50	165
dNTPs	2 mM	0.4 mM	20	66
oligo F	10 uM	0.3 uM	3	-
oligo R	10 uM	0.3 uM	3	-
template	100 ng/ul	2 ng/ul	2	-

KOD	1 U/ul	0.02 U/ul	2	6.6
		Total volume	100	330

Aliquot 92 ul into tube 1, aliquot 46 ul into tubes 2, 3  
 Add 3 ul each primer to tube 1, 1.5 ul each primer to tubes 2,3  
 Add 2 ul LVS gDNA to tube 1, 1uL to tube 2, 1 ul water to tube 3

Run STN1 with 30' extension

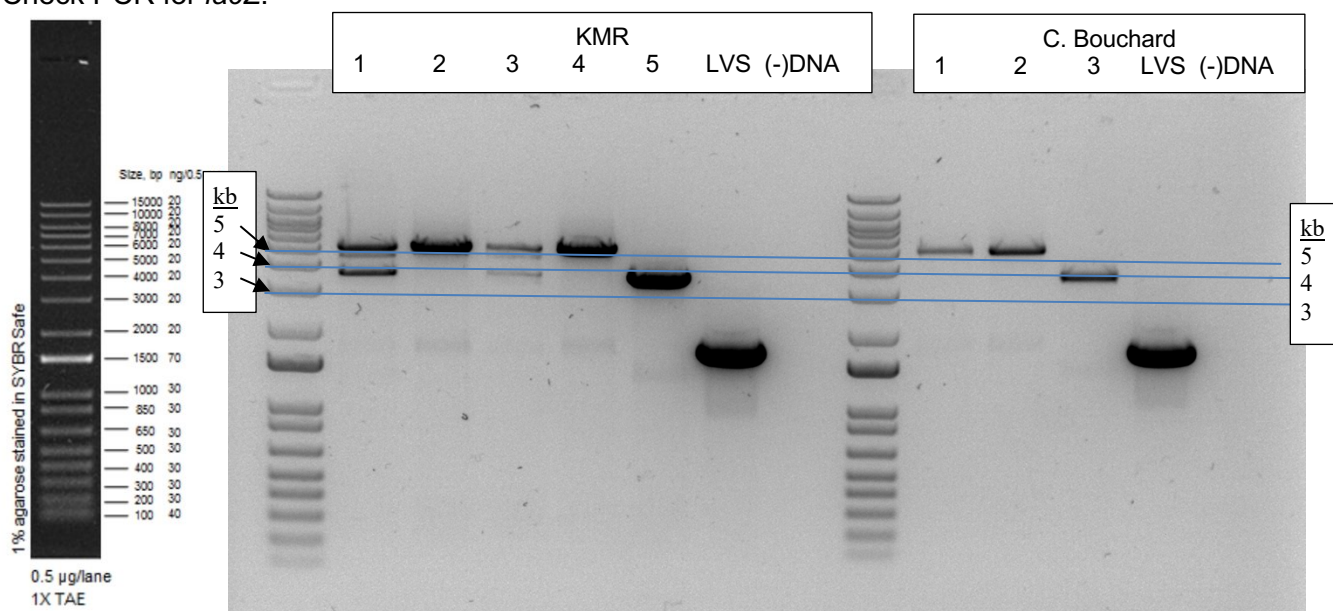
**Friday, April 12, 2019**

**To Do:**

1. PCR-purify FTL\_1548 fragment
2. Check FTL\_1548 fragment on gel
3. Run gel of *lacZ* PCR
4. Set up O/N digest of FTL\_1548 fragment

**Results and Data:**

Check PCR for *lacZ*:



Expected results:

<i>lacZ</i> (no insertion)	3,469 bp
<i>lacZ</i> with pSD26 insertion	4,910 bp
<i>prim</i> (WT LVS only)	1,792 bp

Negative control is clean, LVS gDNA looks correct- controls are good!

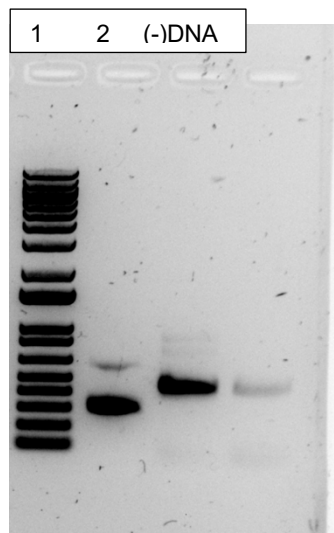
KMR 5 and CB 3 are from LVS  $\Delta pmrA$  P<sub>prim</sub>-*lacZ* pSD26 insertions that are blue. *lacZ* should be intact and those bands appear to be running in the correct location, 3,469 bp.

All of the white colonies appear to have bands running at the size corresponding to a transposon insertion into *lacZ*. There is some background, likely carryover cells from the plate since we didn't purify these clones.

**Cloning pKR32**

PCR-purify PCR reaction 1 from yesterday (4/11)

Run 5 uL on gel and 5 uL of reactions 2 and 3:



Looks like the PCR worked great, but there is some contamination. ! ☹

Move forward with digest- will be gel-purifying anyway.

**Digest to clone pKR32:**

	<b>1</b> FTL_1548 frag	<b>2</b> pKL02 backbone
H <sub>2</sub> O	15.8	20.8
10x CSB	3	3
DNA	10	5
KpnI-HF	0.6	0.6
NotI-HF	0.6	0.6
Total	30	30

Incubate 37°C O/N

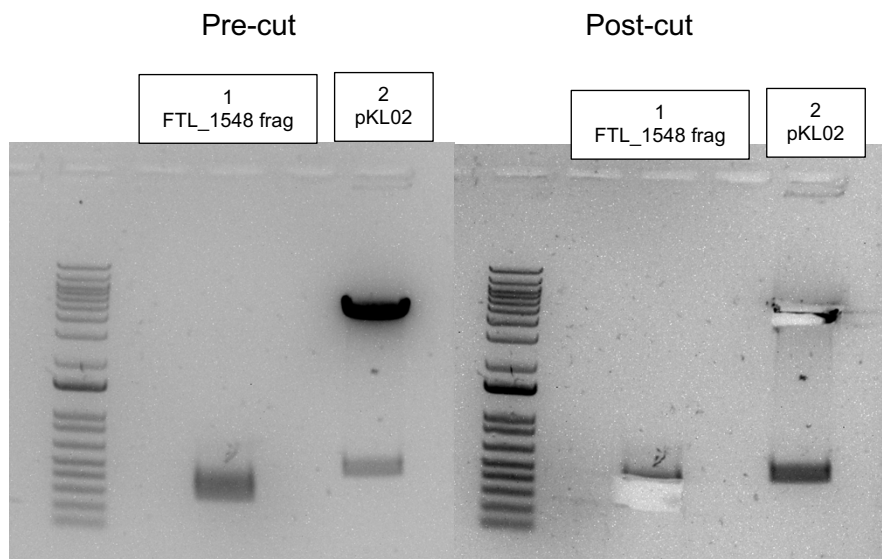
**Saturday, April 13, 2019****To Do:**

1. CIP-treat pKL02 backbone
2. Gel-purify fragments
3. Ligate for pKR32
4. Transform ligations
5. Purify gDNA from LVS, KRLVS7, potential strains EP46-1, EP46-2

**Results and Data:****Cloning pKR32**

Add 10 uL CIP to pKL02 and incubate 10' more

Run digests on gel:



The fainter bands are pretty difficult to see with the blue screen, even with the lights out. Pretty imperfect cutting, but move forward.

Gel slice weights: 370, 160 mg, respectively.

Gel-purify using Qiagen kit. Elute in 30 uL 0.1x EB.

### Ligate

Set up ligations:

	1	2
H <sub>2</sub> O	9.5 uL	15.5 uL
10x CSB	2 uL	2 uL
FTL_1548 frag	6 uL	-
pKL133	2 uL	2 uL
Ligase	0.5 uL	0.5 uL

Incubate at room temp 10'

### Transform ligations

Aliquot 8 uL each ligation to sterile 1.5 mL tubes. Use 0.5 uL of pKL02 as positive control.

Add 100 uL XL1-Blue cells to the three tubes, incubate on ice for about 8'

Heat-shock for 30" at 42°C

Add 1mL LB and shake at 37°C for about 45 minutes

Plate 20ul and 100 ul of positive control transformation, plate 100 ul and remaining volume of ligation transformations

Put plates at 37°C O/N

### **Isolating gDNA**

Have cell pellets from 3/15/19 to purify gDNA using Lucigen (formerly Epicenter) MasterPure DNA isolation kit:

LVS

EP46-1

EP46-2

KRLVS7

Thaw tubes, vortex

Make 1300 uL tissue cell lysis solution with 4.33 uL Proteinase K

Add 300 uL per sample

Incubate at 65°C for 15 minutes, vortexing every 5 minutes

Add 4 uL 3 uL RNase A to each sample (samples very viscous, recall having RNA contamination in isolations in Dove lab)

Incubate at 37°C for 30'

Add 175uL MPC protein precipitation reagent, vortex 10 seconds

Pellet 10' 15,000 rpm 4°C in Dutta lab centrifuge

Transfer supernatant to clean tube

Add 500 uL 100% isopropanol, invert 40 times

Spin 10' 15,000 rpm 4°C Dutta lab centrifuge

Remove isopropanol

Add ~1 mL 70% ethanol, remove, repeat for 2 washes

Let pellet dry on bench

Add 100 uL 0.1x EB to each pellet, add another 100 ul to LVS pellet.

Put at 4°C O/N.

## Sunday, April 14, 2019

### To Do:

1. Grow E. coli with pKL02 and potential pKR32 O/N

## Results and Data:

Transformation results:

Reaction	Contents	20 uL plate	100 uL plate	1 mL plate
1	FTL_1548 frag & cut pKL02	-	96 colonies	TMTC
2	cut pKL02 only	-	0 colonies	15 colonies
3	pKL02 plasmid	>50, TMTC	TMTC	-

Pick 4 colonies from transformation reaction 1 (potential pKR32) and 2 colonies from pKL02, inoculate 5 mL LB + Kan50, grow ON at 37°C shaking

## Monday, April 15, 2019

### To Do:

1. ~~Miniprep potential pKR32, pKL02~~
2. ~~Check [DNA] by Nanodrop~~
3. Set up sequencing reactions

**Results and Data:**

Miniprep O/N cultures, eluted in 50 uL 0.1x EB. Checked concentration by Nanodrop, also checked concentration of gDNA isolations (had to add at least 200 uL more 0.1x EB to each tube):

Sample ID	ng/ul	A260	A280	260/280	260/230	Constant	Cursor Pos.	Cursor abs.
1	901.67	18.033	9.57	1.88	2.32	50	230	7.766
2	484.01	9.68	5.255	1.84	2.3	50	230	4.215
3	481.58	9.632	5.271	1.83	2.28	50	230	4.229
4	408.66	8.173	4.404	1.86	2.32	50	230	3.521
pKL02	874.74	17.495	9.253	1.89	2.32	50	230	7.527
LVS gDNA	990.73	19.815	10.775	1.84	1.34	50	230	14.788
KRLVS7 gDNA	1155.69	23.114	12.546	1.84	1.41	50	230	16.335
EP46-1 gDNA	1148.4	22.968	12.499	1.84	1.27	50	230	18.039
EP46-2 gDNA	718.41	14.368	7.767	1.85	1.16	50	230	12.423

Plasmid preps look good, send all the sequence.

gDNA looks cloudy, has high 260/230 ratio. Consider re-purifying? Really need to just try PCR to check for integration of pKR2 into the EP46 isolates.

**Tuesday, April 16, 2019**

**To Do:**

1. Set up sequencing reactions

**Results and Data:**

Submitted samples for sequencing:

Sample number	Well	Template Type	Template Name	Primer Name <sup>a</sup>	A.	B.	E.	F.
	(GSC use only)	(plasmid or PCR)			Template Size (bases)	Template Stock Conc. (ng/ul)	<b>PLASMID template:</b>	<u>Volume H<sub>2</sub>O needed</u>
							Volume =	
							<b>2x(~400 ÷ B)ul</b>	<b>(20 less D or E)ul</b>
1		Plasmid	KMR_pKR32_1	KROL6	5435	901.67	0.9	19.1
2		Plasmid	KMR_pKR32_2	KROL6	5435	484.01	1.7	18.3
3		Plasmid	KMR_pKR32_3	KROL6	5435	481.58	1.7	18.3
4		Plasmid	KMR_pKR32_4	KROL6	5435	408.66	2.0	18.0
5		Plasmid	KMR_pKR10_6	P793	11325	439	1.8	18.2

**Wednesday, April 17, 2019**

**To Do:**

1. Check sequencing results

2. ~~Electroporate pKL32 into LVS~~
3. ~~Plate electroporations~~

## **Results and Data:**

Sequencing results:

Sample number	Template Name	Result
1	KMR_pKR32_1	Deletion around NotI site? Incorrect, discard
2	KMR_pKR32_2	Correct
3	KMR_pKR32_3	Correct
4	KMR_pKR32_4	Correct
5	KMR_pKR10_6	??

Combine minipreps from 2, 3, 4 = pKR32!

Sequencing of potential pKR10 (PchaC-lacZ): using P793, there should have been sequence from the flanking region surrounding FTL\_1548. Instead, results are sequence from about 400 bp into lacZ gene!

All of the results with this attempt at making pKR10 have been odd. Try to re-do, potentially after classes have ended.

Electroporations:

Number	Strain	Plasmid	Notes
48	LVS	pKR32	
49	LVS	pKR32	
50	LVS	pKR32	
51	LVS	pKR32	

Recovered at about 11:45am, plated each EP onto 2 CHA-Kan plates around 7:15pm (about 7.5 hours recovery).

**Thursday, April 18, 2019**

To Do:

1. ~~Check on electroporation plates~~
2. ~~PCR for integration of pKR2~~

## **Results and Data:**

Electroporation 50 plates contaminated- discard.

Reaction	DNA
1	EP 46-1 gDNA
2	EP 46-2 gDNA
3	KRLVS7 gDNA
4	LVS gDNA
5	Negative control, no template

DNA sample	Concentration	For 200 $\mu$ L at 100 ng/ $\mu$ L	
		gDNA	water
LVS gDNA	990.73	20.2	179.8
KRLVS7 gDNA	1155.69	17.3	182.7
EP46-1 gDNA	1148.4	17.4	182.6
EP46-2 gDNA	718.41	27.8	172.2

Total reaction volume	20
Total number of reactions	5

Component	Stock concentration	Final concentration	1 rxn volume	Factor
ddiH <sub>2</sub> O			4	6.6
KOD buffer	2x	1x	10	66
dNTPs	2 mM	0.4 mM	4	26.4
KROL1	10 $\mu$ M	0.3 $\mu$ M	0.6	3.96
KROL7	10 $\mu$ M	0.3 $\mu$ M	0.6	3.96
template	100 ng/ $\mu$ L	2 ng/ $\mu$ L		
KOD	1 U/ $\mu$ L	0.02 U/ $\mu$ L	0.4	2.64
Total volume			20	132

Run program STN1 with 1' extension.

KROL1 & KROL17 = 765 bp if integrated (no product otherwise)

## Friday, April 19, 2019

### To Do:

1. ~~Pellet cells for RNAP TAP purification with/for Jamie~~
2. ~~Run gel of PCR for integration of pKR2~~
3. ~~Spot plate *pmrA* variant strains~~

## Results and Data:

### RNAP purification assistance

Jamie started the pelleting of the LVS  $\beta'$ -TAP cells. I washed each 400 mL volume with about 10 mL Buffer P1, transferred to 50mL conicals, pelleted and discarded the Buffer P1, and froze at -80°C.

### Spot-plating of *pmrA* variants

Jamie struck out strains yesterday. Strains for spot plating:

- |   |                               |   |                               |
|---|-------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| 1 | LVS                           | 4 | LVS $\Delta pmrA priM\_mtip2$ |
| 2 | LVS $\Delta pmrA$             | 5 | LVS <i>pmrAD51A</i>           |
| 3 | LVS $\Delta pmrA \Delta priM$ | 6 | LVS $\Delta pigR$             |

Plan for spot plating. Note that cells/mL per OD600 is based on DMEM numbers; may be slightly off for MHB.

Cells/mL per OD600
5.81E+09

Spot	OD600	Cells/mL	colonies in 5 uL
1	5	2.91E+10	1.45E+08
2	0.5	5.81E+09	2.91E+07
3	0.025	1.45E+08	7.26E+05
4	0.00125	3.63E+06	1.82E+04
5	0.0000625	9.08E+04	4.54E+02
6	0.000003125	2.27E+03	1.13E+01

Scrape up cells in ~300 uL MHB and check OD600.

Strain	Measured OD600 (1:20)	Actual OD600	For 150 uL at 7.88	MHB
1	0.539	10.78	109.6	40.4
2	0.394	7.88	150.0	0.0
3	0.822	16.44	71.9	78.1
4	0.57	11.4	103.7	46.3
5	0.864	17.28	68.4	81.6
6	0.844	16.88	70.0	80.0

Normalize OD600 as indicated. Dilute 20ul into 180 MHB in 96-well plate, dilute down 1:10 for 5 dilutions. \*\*Note for future- should have prepped enough to normalize OD in 96-well plate, would have been much easier!

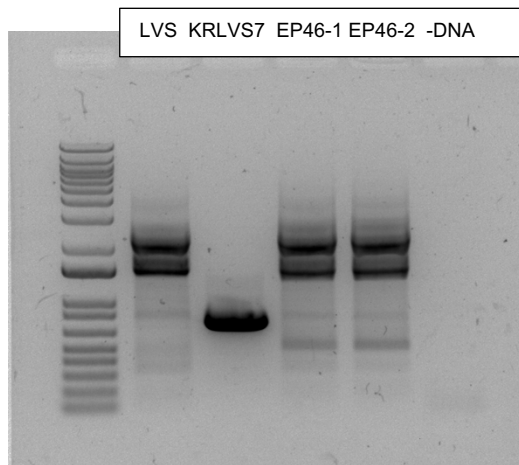
Spot out 5 uL of each dilution (including no dilution) of each strain onto standard CHA plates (using CHA from either BD or Alpha Biosciences) and no-salt CHA plates (homemade, no NaCl added). Did once with normal pipette, worried I may have contaminated the plate with the plate edge. Re-do using multichannel. Much easier! Still need to hand-spot the undiluted cells, but less of an issue.

Because the cells Jamie plated 2 days ago on no salt media have not grown yet, concerned that there may be an issue with density. To address this, pellet 50 uL of the normalized OD strains x2. Discard most of the sup, plate concentrated cells on BD plates and no salt plates – effectively 10x the most concentrated cells on the dilution plates.

**Strain construction:**  $\Delta$ gg $t$   $\Delta$ chaC dptA(-)? (AKA  $\Delta$ FTL\_0766  $\Delta$ FTL\_1568 FTL\_1251(-), KRLVS6 pKR2

Have cells from electroporation on 2/25/19, EP 46, patched on 2/28/19, checked for integration using colony PCR on 3/1/19 (nothing worked) and 3/2/19 (confirmed integration for other strains).

Despite the negative colony PCR result, I thought it was possible I had the correct strain; cells were Kan resistant with decent growth, for the first time in about 8 electroporations. I had frozen down the cells (labeled EP46-1 and EP46-2) and saved pellets for gDNA extraction (see extraction, 4/13/19). Performed PCR yesterday, ran entire PCR on gel today:



Correct product in lane with KRLVS7 (thank goodness), only background bands in LVS and very similar background bands in both EP46 strains. ☹

Discard EP46 cells.

**Still don't have  $\Delta$ ggt  $\Delta$ chaC dptA(-)**

**Sunday, April 21, 2019**

To Do:

1. Patch out colonies from LVS pKR32 electroporations

### **Results and Data:**

Patched from	#of colonies
49	1
51	4
52	5

**Monday, April 22, 2019**

To Do:

1. PCR to check for correct integration of pKR32
2. Mail Simon and Sam plasmid
3. Mail Mougous lab strain
4. Check on salt plates

### **Results and Data:**

#### **FTL\_1548-V strain construction**

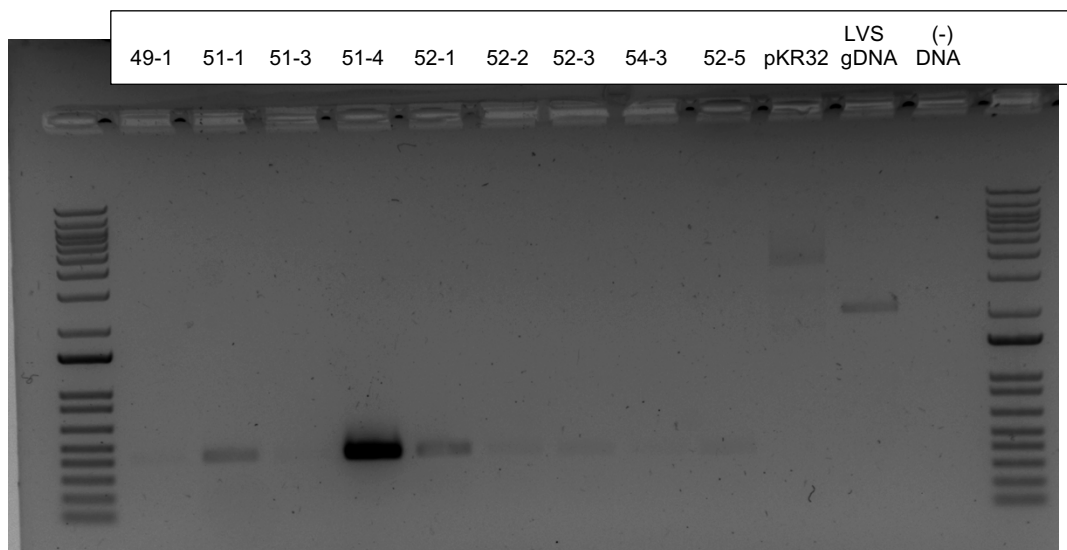
All patches except 51-2 grew on Kan plates  
Check for correct integration by PCR

Reaction	DNA
1	EP 49 colony 1
2 - 4	EP 51 colony 1, 3, 4
5 - 9	EP 52 colony 1 - 5
10	pKR32 (1:10)
11	LVS gDNA
12	Negative control, no template

Total reaction volume	20
Total number of reactions	12

Component	Stock concentration	Final concentration	1 rxn volume	Factor
				14.3
ddiH2O			4	57.2
KOD buffer	2x	1x	10	143
dNTPs	2 mM	0.4 mM	4	57.2
KROL159	10 uM	0.3 uM	0.6	8.58
P35	10 uM	0.3 uM	0.6	8.58
template	100 ng/ul	2 ng/ul	1	
KOD	1 U/ul	0.02 U/ul	0.4	5.72
		Total volume	20	286

STN1 with 30" extension  
KROL159 & P35 = 421 bp



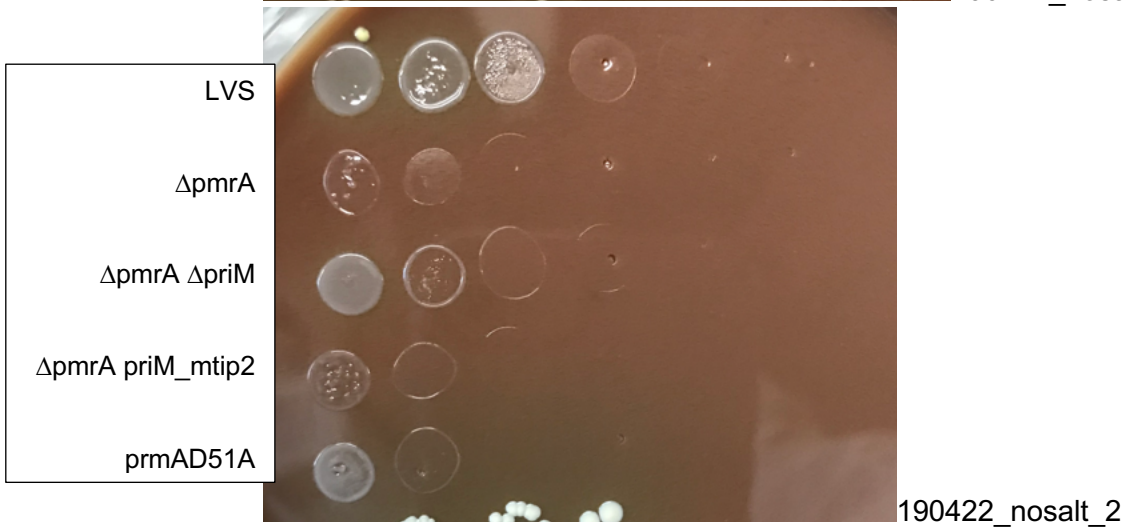
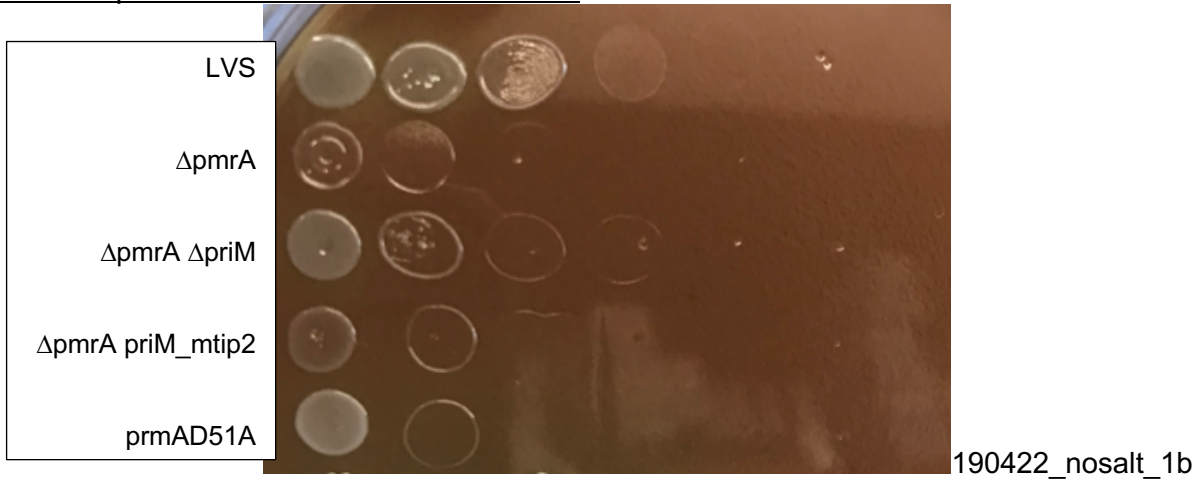
All reactions had product of correct size and need to freeze down cells and ship out immediately, so chose patches with most cells:

EP 52-2 = KRLVS14.1

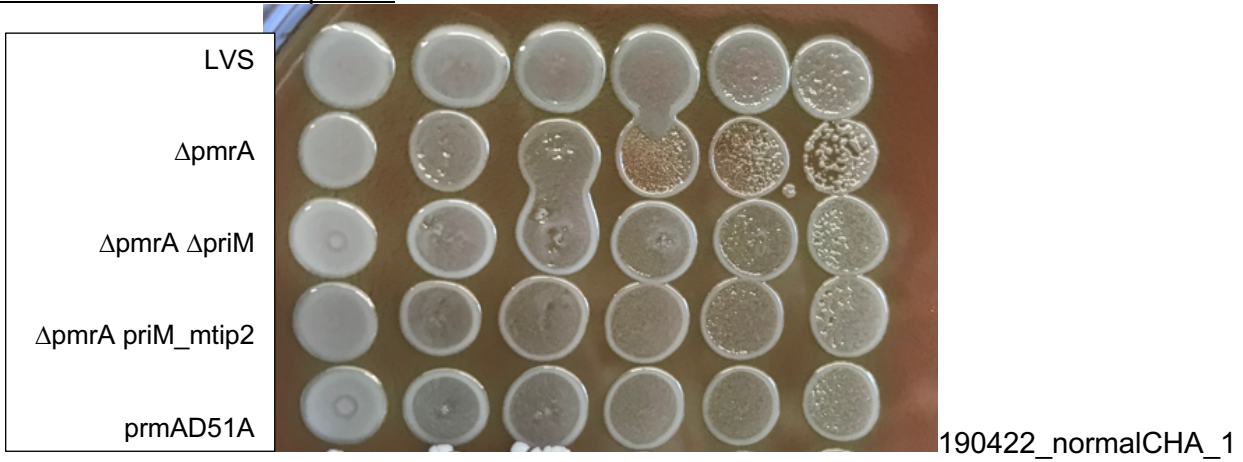
EP 49-1 = KRLVS14.2

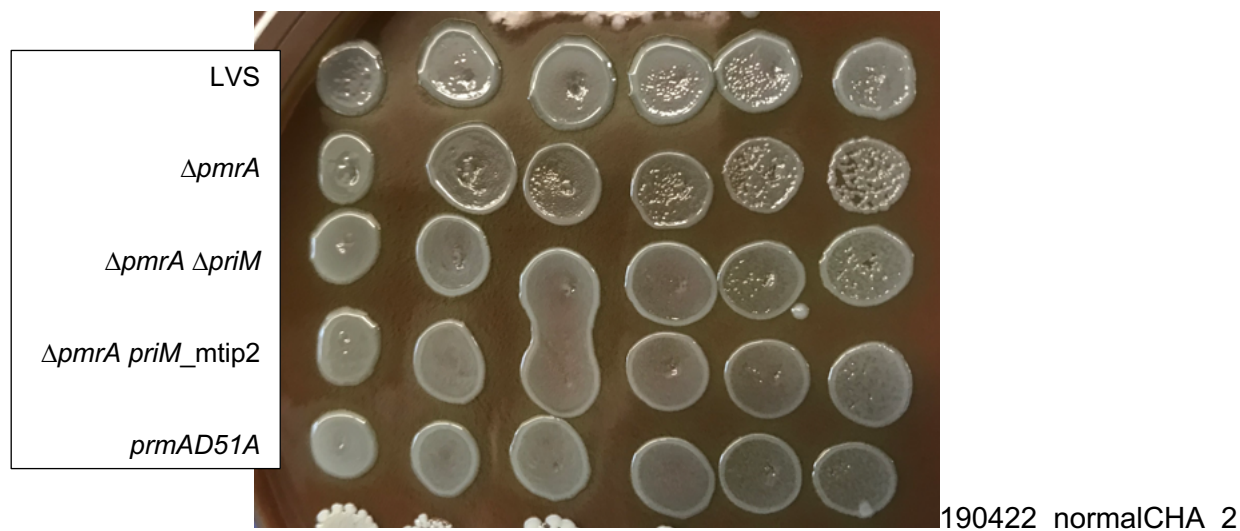
Freeze down 3 glycerol stocks of KRLVS14.1, ship one immediately to Hannah Ledvina in Joseph Mougous's lab.

**Sensitivity of *pmrA* variant strains to low osmolarity:**  
Strains on plates with no additional salt added:



Strains on standard CHA plates:





Will continue to see how strains grow on low osmolarity medium; clearly didn't get down to single colonies on standard CHA (incorrect calculations for CFU/mL in PBS??). It does appear that the  $\Delta pmrA$  strain started with fewer cells than the other strains. However, the  $\Delta pmrA priM\_mtip2$  mutant has a similar growth phenotype on the plates without added salt and even the  $prmAD51A$  mutant is somewhat attenuated. The most rescue is with the  $\Delta pmrA \Delta priM$  strain; expression of  $priM$  is making the cells more sensitive to low osmolarity.

Interpretation:

**Tuesday, April 23, 2019**

To Do:

1. PCR to check for correct integration of pKR32
2. Mail Simon and Sam plasmid
3. Mail Mougous lab strain

**Results and Data:**

**FTL\_1548-V strain construction**

All patches except 51-2 grew

**May 2019**

**Friday, May 30, 2019**

To Do:

1. Check on patches of strains from Mougous lab
2. Patch out strains for macrophage assay
3. Seed macrophage

**Results and Data:**

Patches of strains from Mougous lab:

$\Delta$ ggt Tn7:ggt            Grew well  
 $\Delta$ ggt Tn7:chaC            Did not grow well  
 $\Delta$ chaC Tn7:chaC            Grew well  
dptA(-) Tn7:dptA            Grew well

Prep new glycerol stock for  $\Delta$ ggt Tn7:chaC.

In the meantime, prepare for macrophage experiment testing the following strains, patching 2 per plate 2x for a total of 4 plates (made with BD cystine heart agar):

LVS  
KRLVS1.1    dptA(-)  
HLLVS        dptA(-) Tn7:dptA  
JCLVS106.1    $\Delta$ pigR

Scraped up all macrophage (P6, thawed yesterday), spin down (5' at 1000xg in Dutta lab centrifuge) and resuspended in about 7.5 mL DMEMF.

Not quite as many cells as I'd like- density is already lower than ideal, but move forward anyway.

Hemocytometer count #	Counts			
1	4	1	2	3
2	3	4	0	2
3	4	1	3	8
4	2	3	8	1
5	8	0	6	10
6	3	7	6	3
Average	3.83			
Cells per mL	7.67E+04			

Macrophage Calculations	Actual
Cells per well	2.00E+04
Volume to plate (mL)	0.2
Density needed (cells/mL)	1.00E+05
Total volume needed (mL)	7
Measured cells per ml	-
Volume stock needed (mL)	-
Volume media for dilution	-
Measured cells per ml, seeded	7.67E+04
Measured cells per well	1.53E+04

Add remaining cells back to DMEMF (about 2 mL cells left, add ~8mL DMEMF) and put back in incubator.

## **Bibliography**