

TABLE S1. Strains and plasmids used in this study

Strains and Plasmids	Relevant characteristic(s) ^a	Reference or source
<i>Sphingobium</i>		
<i>lignivorans</i> SYK-6	Wild type; Nal ^r Sm ^r	1
Δ ligS	SYK-6 derivative; Δ ligS; Nal ^r Sm ^r	This study
Δ ligL	SYK-6 derivative; Δ ligL; Nal ^r Sm ^r	2
Δ ligLN	Δ ligL derivative; Δ ligL ligN; Nal ^r Sm ^r	2
Δ ligDLN	Δ ligLN derivative; Δ ligD ligL ligN; Nal ^r Sm ^r	This study
Δ ligI	SYK-6 derivative; Δ ligI; Nal ^r Sm ^r	3
Δ ligI ligS	Δ ligI derivative; Δ ligI ligS; Nal ^r Sm ^r	This study
<i>Escherichia coli</i>		
BL21(DE3)	F ⁻ ompT hsdS _B (r _B ⁻ m _B ⁻) gal dcm (DE3); T7 RNA polymerase gene under the control of the lacUV5 promoter	4
HB101	recA13 supE44 hsd20 ara-14 proA2 lacY1 galk2 rpsL20 xyl-5 mtl-1	5
NEB 10-beta	araD 139 Δ (ara-leu)7697 fhuA lacX74 galK (ϕ 80 Δ lacZ Δ M15) recA1 endA1 nupG rpsL (Sm ^r) Δ (mrr-hsdRMS-mcrBC)	New England Biolabs
Plasmid		
pRK2013	Tra ⁺ Mob ⁺ ColE1 replicon; Km ^r	6
pSEVA225	RK2 cloning vector, Km ^r	SEVA
pET-16b	Expression vector; T7 promoter, Ap ^r	Novagen
pMAL-cX5	pMB1 ori cloning vector; Taq promoter, lacI, male, Ap ^r	New England Biolabs
pAK405	Plasmid for allelic exchange and markerless gene deletions in Sphingomonads; Km ^r	7
pAK405GFP	pAK405 with synthesized promoter and codon-optimized superfolder GFP gene	8
pJB861	RK2 broad-host-range expression vector; P _m xylS; Km ^r	9
pD1	pSEVA225 with a PCR amplified fragment of -269 to +30 relative to the ligD start codon	This study
pD2	pSEVA225 with a PCR amplified fragment of -173 to +30 relative to the ligD start codon	This study
pD3	pSEVA225 with a PCR amplified fragment of -108 to +30 relative to the ligD start codon	This study
pD2m35	pD2 with the mutation at TRM site (TTGA to CCAG) in ligD promoter	This study
pD2m2	pD2 with the mutation at LigS binding site (TGT to CAC) in ligD promoter	This study
pD2m3	pD2 with the mutation at LigS binding site (GGAAATG to AGGGATA) in ligD promoter	This study
pL1	pSEVA225 with a PCR amplified fragment of -119 to +30 relative to the ligL start codon	This study
pL2	pSEVA225 with a PCR amplified fragment of -64 to +30 relative to the ligL start codon	This study
pL1m35	pL1 with the mutation at TRM site (TTGA to CCAG) in ligL promoter	This study
pL1m2	pL1 with the mutation at LigS binding site (TGT to CAC) in ligL promoter	This study
pL1m3	pL1 with the mutation at LigS binding site (GGAACGG to AGGGCGA) in ligL promoter	This study
pP1	pSEVA225 with a PCR amplified fragment of -116 to +27 relative to the ligP start codon	This study
pP2	pSEVA225 with a PCR amplified fragment of -75 to +27 relative to the ligP start codon	This study
pP1m35	pP1 with the mutation at TRM site (TCGATG to CCAGTC) in ligP promoter	This study
pP1m1	pP1 with the mutation at LigS binding site (TTGA to CCAG) in ligP promoter	This study
pP1m2	pP1 with the mutation at LigS binding site (TGT to CAC) in ligP promoter	This study
pP1m3	pP1 with the mutation at LigS binding site (GGAAACG to AGGGACA) in ligP promoter	This study
pZ1	pSEVA225 with a PCR amplified fragment of -173 to +30 relative to the hpvZ start codon	This study
pZ2	pSEVA225 with a PCR amplified fragment of -108 to +30 relative to the hpvZ start codon	This study
pZ3	pSEVA225 with a PCR amplified fragment of -62 to +30 relative to the hpvZ start codon	This study
pZ2m35	pZ2 with the mutation at TRM site (TTGA to CCAG) in hpvZ promoter	This study
pZ2m2	pZ2 with the mutation at LigS binding site (TGT to CAC) in hpvZ promoter	This study
pZ2m3	pZ2 with the mutation at LigS binding site (GAAAAAG to AAAGGAA) in hpvZ promoter	This study
pA1	pSEVA225 with a PCR amplified fragment of -71 to +19 relative to the ldpA start codon	This study
pA2	pSEVA225 with a PCR amplified fragment of -26 to +19 relative to the ldpA start codon	This study
pETligS	pET-16b with a 1.6 kb PCR amplified deletion fragment of ligS	This study
pETdTetR	pET-16b with a 0.6 kb PCR amplified deletion fragment of dTetR	This study

pMAL <i>ligS</i>	pMAL-cX5 with a 1.6 kb PCR amplified deletion fragment of <i>ligS</i>	This study
pMALdTetR	pMAL-cX5 with a 0.6 kb PCR amplified deletion fragment of dTetR	This study
pMALdMarR	pMAL-cX5 with a 1.0 kb PCR amplified deletion fragment of dMarR	This study
pAK <i>ligD</i>	pAK405 with a 2.3 kb PCR amplified deletion fragment of <i>ligD</i>	2
pAK <i>ligS</i>	pAK405GFP with a 2.0 kb PCR amplified deletion fragment of <i>ligS</i>	This study
pJB <i>ligS</i>	pJB861 with a 1.6-kb BamHI fragment carrying <i>ligS</i>	This study
pJBMBP <i>ligS</i>	pJB861 with a 2.8-kb BamHI fragment carrying MBP <i>ligS</i>	This study
pJBMBPdMarR	pJB861 with a 2.2-kb BamHI fragment carrying MBPdMarR	This study

^aNal^r, Sm^r, Ap^r, and Km^r indicate resistance to nalidixic acid, streptomycin, ampicillin, and kanamycin, respectively.

TABLE S2. Primers used in this study

Purpose	primer	sequences (5'to 3')
For the construction of a plasmid for <i>ligS</i> disruption	pAK <i>ligS</i>	
	<i>disligS_topF</i>	AGCTCGGTACCCGGGTGTTGCCCTATCCCGAGTTC
	<i>disligS_topR</i>	GATTTTCTACTCCCGGCTCG
	<i>disligS_botF</i>	CGAGCCGGGAGTAGAAAATCGCTTTCGCGGTGCGATTGCG
	<i>disligS_botR</i>	AGGTCGACTCTAGAGTGCCTGATAGAATGAGGCGA
For the construction of reporter plasmid	pD1	
	<i>pD1_F</i>	ACCTGCAGGCATGCAGAGCGGAGATGACGGCGTCC
	<i>pD_R</i>	TCATATGTTTTTCTCCTAGAACGCGACCTGATCCTGGAAATC
	pD2	
	<i>pD2_F</i>	ACCTGCAGGCATGCAGTCGATCGCGCGGGGCGTCC
	<i>pD_R</i>	TCATATGTTTTTCTCCTAGAACGCGACCTGATCCTGGAAATC
	pD3	
	<i>pD3_F</i>	ACCTGCAGGCATGCAGCAGATGGCGCGGGCAGTCC
	<i>pD_R</i>	TCATATGTTTTTCTCCTAGAACGCGACCTGATCCTGGAAATC
	pD2m35	
	<i>pD2m35_topF</i>	ACCTGCAGGCATGCAGTCGATCGCGCGGGGCGTCCGGTCTTTGCCAGCATTGT
	<i>pD2m35_topR</i>	CTTGAAGCGGGTTTCCACTCATTCCGGACAATGCTGG
	<i>pD2m35_botF</i>	GAGTGGAAACCCGCTCAAG
	<i>pD_R</i>	TCATATGTTTTTCTCCTAGAACGCGACCTGATCCTGGAAATC
	pD2m2	
	<i>pD2m2_topF</i>	ACCTGCAGGCATGCAGTCGATCGCGCGGGGCGTCCGGTCTTTGTTGACATCAC
	<i>pD2m2_topR</i>	CTTGAAGCGGGTTTCCACTCATTCCGGGTGG
	<i>pD2m2_botF</i>	GAGTGGAAACCCGCTCAAG
	<i>pD_R</i>	TCATATGTTTTTCTCCTAGAACGCGACCTGATCCTGGAAATC
	pD2m3	
	<i>pD2m3_topF</i>	ACCTGCAGGCATGCAGTCGATCGCGCGGGGCGTCCGGTCTTTGTTGACATTGTTAAGG
	<i>pD2m3_topR</i>	CTTGAAGCGGGTTTCCACTCATCTTAA
	<i>pD2m3_botF</i>	GAGTGGAAACCCGCTCAAG
	<i>pD_R</i>	TCATATGTTTTTCTCCTAGAACGCGACCTGATCCTGGAAATC
pL1		
<i>pL1_F</i>	ACCTGCAGGCATGCAGGGACTGACTGCGGATCAGG	
<i>pL_R</i>	TCATATGTTTTTCTCCTAGATGAACGCCGTGGTCCCTG	
pL2		
<i>pL2_F</i>	ACCTGCAGGCATGCAGTGCAACGATCATGGGCTTC	
<i>pL_R</i>	TCATATGTTTTTCTCCTAGATGAACGCCGTGGTCCCTG	
pL1m35		
<i>pL1m35_topF</i>	ACCTGCAGGCATGCAGGGACTGACTGCGGATCAGGCATACGCCAGTTTGT	
<i>pL1m35_topR</i>	GGCTTATGCGCCGTTCCGGACAAAATGGCGTATG	
<i>pL1m35_botF</i>	TCCGGAACGGCGCATAAGCC	
<i>pL_R</i>	TCATATGTTTTTCTCCTAGATGAACGCCGTGGTCCCTG	
pL1m2		
<i>pL1m2_topF</i>	ACCTGCAGGCATGCAGGGACTGACTGCGGATCAGGCATACGTTGATTTTAC	
<i>pL1m2_topR</i>	GGCTTATGCGCCGTTCCGGTGAATCAAC	
<i>pL1m2_botF</i>	TCCGGAACGGCGCATAAGCC	
<i>pL_R</i>	TCATATGTTTTTCTCCTAGATGAACGCCGTGGTCCCTG	
pL1m3		
<i>pL1m3_topF</i>	ACCTGCAGGCATGCAGGGACTGACTGCGGATCAGGCATACGTTGATTTTGTAAAGG	
<i>pL1m3_topR</i>	GGCTTATGCGCCGCTTAAA	
<i>pL1m3_botF</i>	TCCGGAACGGCGCATAAGCC	
<i>pL_R</i>	TCATATGTTTTTCTCCTAGATGAACGCCGTGGTCCCTG	
pP1		
<i>pP1_F</i>	ACCTGCAGGCATGCACCGCTCGTTTCCAGACATTA	
<i>pP_R</i>	TCATATGTTTTTCTCCTAGATGGTGATCTTGTGTCTT	
pP2		
<i>pP2_F</i>	ACCTGCAGGCATGCAGCCAAAATCAACTAGCACTG	
<i>pP_R</i>	TCATATGTTTTTCTCCTAGATGGTGATCTTGTGTCTT	
pP1m35		
<i>pP1_F</i>	ACCTGCAGGCATGCACCGCTCGTTTCCAGACATTA	
<i>pP1m35_topR</i>	CATTCGTTCCCGGATCGTTG	
<i>pP1m35_mid</i>	CAACGATCCGGGAACGAATGGCCAAAATCAATCGATGCTGACCGCCGGTTGCGCTTA	
<i>pP1m35_mid</i>	TAAGCGCAACCGCGGTGATCGATTGATTTGGCCATTCGTTCCCGGATCGTTG	
<i>pP1m35_botF</i>	CTGACCGCCGGTTGCGCTTA	

	pP_R	TCATATGTTTTTCCTCCTAGATGGTGATCTTGTTGTCTT
pP1m1	pP1m1_topF	ACCTGCAGGCATGCACCGCTCGTTTCCAGACATTACTGG
	pP1m1_topR	CAGTGCTAGTTGATTTTGGCCATTTCGTTCCCGGATCGCCAGTAA
	pP1m1_botF	GCCAAAATCAACTAGCACTG
	pP_R	TCATATGTTTTTCCTCCTAGATGGTGATCTTGTTGTCTT
pP1m2	pP1m2_topF	ACCTGCAGGCATGCACCGCTCGTTTCCAGGTGTATCAA
	pP1m2_topR	CAGTGCTAGTTGATTTTGGCCATTTCGTTCCCGGATCGTTGATAACACCTG
	pP1m2_botF	GCCAAAATCAACTAGCACTG
	pP_R	TCATATGTTTTTCCTCCTAGATGGTGATCTTGTTGTCTT
pP1m3	pP1m3_topF	ACCTGCAGGCATGCACCGCTCGTCTTAAACATTA
	pP1m3_topR	CAGTGCTAGTTGATTTTGGCCATTTCGTTCCCGGATCGTTGATAATGTTTAAAGG
	pP1m3_botF	GCCAAAATCAACTAGCACTG
	pP_R	TCATATGTTTTTCCTCCTAGATGGTGATCTTGTTGTCTT
pZ1	pZ1_F	ACCTGCAGGCATGCAAGGACGAGGGGCTGAAGCTC
	pZ_R	TCATATGTTTTTCCTCCTACACATAGTCGACCGTTCTG
pZ2	pZ2_F	ACCTGCAGGCATGCAGCGATCCTCTGGTTGACTTTG
	pZ_R	TCATATGTTTTTCCTCCTACACATAGTCGACCGTTCTG
pZ3	pZ3_F	ACCTGCAGGCATGCACCGATGGAGTCAATGCAGCG
	pZ_R	TCATATGTTTTTCCTCCTACACATAGTCGACCGTTCTG
pZ2m35	pZ2m35_topF	ACCTGCAGGCATGCAGCGATCCTCTGGCCAGCTTTGT
	pZ2m35_topR	CCGCTACAAGGCGGTCTTTTTCGAACAAAGCTGGC
	pZ2m35_botF	AAAAGACCGCCTTGTAGCGG
	pZ_R	TCATATGTTTTTCCTCCTACACATAGTCGACCGTTCTG
pZ2m2	pZ2m2_topF	ACCTGCAGGCATGCAGCGATCCTCTGGTTGACTTCAC
	pZ2m2_topR	CCGCTACAAGGCGGTCTTTTTCGAGTGGAG
	pZ2m2_botF	AAAAGACCGCCTTGTAGCGG
	pZ_R	TCATATGTTTTTCCTCCTACACATAGTCGACCGTTCTG
pZ2m3	pZ2m3_topF	ACCTGCAGGCATGCAGCGATCCTCTGGTTGACTTTGTTTAAAGG
	pZ2m3_topR	CCGCTACAAGGCGGTCTTCCTTAA
	pZ2m3_botF	AAAAGACCGCCTTGTAGCGG
	pZ_R	TCATATGTTTTTCCTCCTACACATAGTCGACCGTTCTG
pA1	pA1_F	ACCTGCAGGCATGCAATGGCGTTTCTCTCGAT
	pA_R	TCATATGTTTTTCCTCCTAGCGTTTCCACATCAGCCATT
pA2	pA2_F	ACCTGCAGGCATGCATTGCAGACAAGGAGAGAG
	pA_R	TCATATGTTTTTCCTCCTAGCGTTTCCACATCAGCCATT
For the construction of expression plasmid		
pET <i>ligS</i>	pET <i>ligS</i> _F	TCGAAGGTCGTCATATGACGGGCGGAAAGGCCGT
	pET <i>ligS</i> _R	GTTAGCAGCCGGATCCTCAGTCCCAGTCCATCTCCT
pETdTetR	pETdTetR_F	TCGAAGGTCGTCATATGACGGGCGGAAAGGCCGT
	pETdTetR_R	GTTAGCAGCCGGATCTCACTGGAAGCGACGCAGCCGGT
pMAL <i>ligS</i>	pM <i>ligS</i> _F	ATCGAGGGAAGGATTTACATATGACGGGCGGAAAGGCCGT
	pM <i>ligS</i> _R	GAGCCTTTCGTTTTATTGATCAGTCCCGGTCCATCTCCT
pMALdTetR	pMdTetR_F	ATCGAGGGAAGGATTTACATATGACGGGCGGAAAGGCCGT
	pMdTetR_R	GAGCCTTTCGTTTTATTGATCACTGGAAGCGACGCAGCCGGT
pMALdMarR	pMdMarR_F	ATCGAGGGAAGGATTTACATATGTCAAGCCTCTGGGTGTT
	pMdMarR_R	GAGCCTTTCGTTTTATTGATCAGTCCCGGTCCATCTCCT
For the construction of complementary plasmid		
pJB <i>ligS</i>	pJB <i>ligS</i> _F	ATGGGAAGCTTCGTGAAAGGAGGTATATATAATGACGGGCGGAAAGGCCGT
	pJB <i>ligS</i> _R	TCCTGCAGGATATCTGTCAGTCCCAGTCCATCTCC
pJBMBP <i>ligS</i>	pJBMBP_F	ATGGGAAGCTTCGTGAAAGGAGGTATATATAATGAAAATCGAAGAAGGTAA
	pJB <i>ligS</i> _R	TCCTGCAGGATATCTGTCAGTCCCAGTCCATCTCC
pJBMBPdMarR	pJBMBP_F	ATGGGAAGCTTCGTGAAAGGAGGTATATATAATGAAAATCGAAGAAGGTAA
	pJB <i>ligS</i> _R	TCCTGCAGGATATCTGTCAGTCCCAGTCCATCTCC

For confirmation of
gene disruption

<i>ΔligD</i>	<i>disligD_confF</i>	GCCTCATCTATGAACTGAAT
	<i>disligD_confR</i>	CTCGAACAGCATGGGGCGAT
<i>ΔligS</i>	<i>disligS_confF</i>	GGAGAAATATGGCAATACCG
	<i>disligS_confR</i>	CAATCGCGCCGCGACTGTTC

For RT-PCR

RT0863- <i>ligD</i>	0863- <i>ligD</i> _F	CGCAGCACGGCAACAACAAT
	0863- <i>ligD</i> _R	CATCATAAGTGGTCTTCTCG
RT <i>ligD-ligF</i>	<i>ligD-ligF</i> _F	CGAGAAGACCACTTATGATG
	<i>ligD-ligF</i> _R	AGATATTCGAGATCACCGT
RT <i>ligF-ligE</i>	<i>ligF-ligE</i> _F	ACGGTGATCTGCGAATATCT
	<i>ligF-ligE</i> _R	AGGATATAGCAGCGGAACCA
RT <i>ligF-ligG</i>	<i>ligE-ligG</i> _F	TGGTTCCGCTGCTATATCCT
	<i>ligE-ligG</i> _R	CAGGATGACCATGCTTTCCT
RT <i>ligG-0868</i>	<i>ligG-0868</i> _F	AGGAAAGCATGGTCATCCTG
	<i>ligG-0868</i> _R	GCCATCACGAGGATATTGTC
RT1263- <i>ldpB</i>	1263- <i>ldpB</i> _F	CCTTCAGCAGATCGACAAGC
	1263- <i>ldpB</i> _R	ACATCTACGAAACCAGCCTC
RT <i>ldpA-1266</i>	<i>ldpA-1266</i> _F	TGGTTCCAGAATCGCTTAC
	<i>ldpA-1266</i> _R	GATATAATCTTCCGCCACCC
RT1266-1267	1266-1267_F	GGGTGGCGGAAGATTATATC
	1266-1267_R	TCCAATGCTCCACGATCTT
RT1267-1268	1267-1268_F	AAGATCGTGGAGCATTGGGA
	1267-1268_R	TCGATGAACACATTGTCCTT
RT1268- <i>ldpC</i>	1268- <i>ldpC</i> _F	AAGGACAATGTGTTCATCGA
	1268- <i>ldpC</i> _R	TTCATCGCCATGCCTCGCTT
RT <i>ldpC-1270</i>	<i>ldpC-1270</i> _F	AAGCGAGGCATGGCGATGAA
	<i>ldpC-1270</i> _R	TCCTCGGCGGAGATATCCGC
RT1280-1282	1280-1282_F	CGCCACCATGTTCCGG
	1280-1282_R	GCGGCAGTGAGAACA
RT1282- <i>hvpZ</i>	1282- <i>hvpZ</i> _F	CGTCACCTTCGGCAT
	1282- <i>hvpZ</i> _R	CTTCCACCGCACCT
RT3257-3258	3257-3258_F	CCCAGGCATCCAAGCTCGAT
	3257-3258_R	ACTTCCTGGTTCAGCCAAA
RT3258-3259	3258-3259_F	CTGAGCTTCACGTACAAGGG
	3258-3259_R	CACCTGCACGGAGAGCTTCT
RT3259- <i>ligP</i>	3259- <i>ligP</i> _F	ACGTCACCTACCGCTCTAT
	3259- <i>ligP</i> _R	CACCCATTTCCCGTCATCGA
RT3365- <i>ligL</i>	3365- <i>ligL</i> _F	TCCTTGAGAGTCGAGAAATC
	3365- <i>ligL</i> _R	TGGCGGACAACCTGGATGGAA
RT <i>ligL-3367</i>	<i>ligL-3367</i> _F	GCTCCTCGAAGAACTGCCTG
	<i>ligL-3367</i> _R	ATGAGATGGTGCGAGGGGA
RT3367-3368	3367-3368_F	TCCCCTCGCCACCATCTCAT
	3367-3368_R	CGGTCTGCTCTATTCTTC
RT3589- <i>ligN</i>	3589- <i>ligN</i> _F	TGACCTGTTCAACCTGCAAG
	3589- <i>ligN</i> _R	AGGACATGGATGTTGCCGAA
RT <i>ligN-3591</i>	<i>ligN-3591</i> _F	CAGTTCGGCACCCTCATGTA
	<i>ligN-3591</i> _R	GGCTGTCATATACTGCATCC
RT3591-3592	3591-3592_F	GGATGCAGTATATGACAGCC
	3591-3592_R	CAGGCAGTCATGGCAGGGAA

For qRT-PCR

<i>ligD</i>	<i>qligD_F</i>	CTGGAAGGGCTCGGGATCAC
	<i>qligD_R</i>	ATAGGCCTCGCGGTCCATGA
<i>ligL</i>	<i>qligL_F</i>	GCGCGGCTGGTGCTT
	<i>qligL_R</i>	GAAGAACTGCCTGGCTTCGT
<i>ligN</i>	<i>qligN_F</i>	CAGGACGCCCTCGATCAG
	<i>qligN_R</i>	GGAGTGAACGGCAAGATTGG
<i>ligF</i>	<i>qligF_F</i>	CAAGCGCGCCGAAATG
	<i>qligF_R</i>	ACGCACCAGCAGAAATATTCATC
<i>ligE</i>	<i>qligE_F</i>	TCCGGCTGCACGATCAG
	<i>qligE_R</i>	CCTTGTGCTTGAGCGCATATT
<i>ligP</i>	<i>qligP_F</i>	GAGCGGTGCGACGATCA
	<i>qligP_R</i>	TGTGCGCGATGGCATATT
<i>ligG</i>	<i>qligG_F</i>	AGTTCCGCTCCAACCTGATG
	<i>qligG_R</i>	ATCGTTGAGTGTCTTGCCGA
<i>ligQ</i>	<i>qligQ_F</i>	AGGAACTGACGATCTATCAC
	<i>qligQ_R</i>	GCATGATTTCCACACGCTCG
<i>ligO</i>	<i>qligO_F</i>	AGCACCCCATCCAGCTCTATT
	<i>qligO_R</i>	CGAGCATGATGGTACTTTCTG
<i>ldpB</i>	<i>qldpB_F</i>	CATCCGGCAGGACCATCTC
	<i>qldpB_R</i>	GCGACATTCTTCTGGCTGAAA
<i>ldpA</i>	<i>qldpA_F</i>	CATTCGCTGATGCTGCAGAT
	<i>qldpA_R</i>	TTGACCAGCACATGGCATT

For the construction of probes used in EMSAs

Dp1	Dp1_F	GAGCGGAGATGACGGCGT
	Dp1_R	GAACGCGACCTGATCCTG
Dp2	Dp2_F	TCTCCTGATTTCTACGGC
	Dp2_R	GAACGCGACCTGATCCTG
Dp3	Dp3_F	CCTGTCATGGGCGATCCC
	Dp3_R	GAACGCGACCTGATCCTG
Dp4	Dp4_F	CTTGAAGCGGGTTTCCAC
	Dp4_R	GAACGCGACCTGATCCTG
Dp5	Dp5_F	CGAGAGCCGGAACAGACG
	Dp5_R	GAACGCGACCTGATCCTG
Dp6	Dp6_F	CTTGAAGCGGGTTTCCAC
	Dp6_R	GTCGATCGCGGGGGCGTCCG
Dp6m1	pD6m1_F	GTCGATCGCGGGGGCGTCCGGTCTTTGCCAG
	pD6m1_R	CTTGAAGCGGGTTTCCACTCATTTCCGGACAATGCTGG
Dp6m2	pD6m2_F	GTCGATCGCGGGGGCGTCCGGTCTTTGTTGACACCAC
	pD6m2_R	CTTGAAGCGGGTTTCCACTCATTTCCGGGTGG
Dp6m3	pD6m3_F	GTCGATCGCGGGGGCGTCCGGTCTTTGTTGACATTGTTAAGG
	pD6m3_R	CTTGAAGCGGGTTTCCACTCATCTTAA
Lp1		Gene synthesis (Twist Bioscience)
Lp2	Lp2_F	GGGACAACGGACCTTATC
	Lp2_R	GATGAACGCCGTGGTCCC
Lp3	Lp3_F	ATCTGGCAAGGGCGTTTC
	Lp3_R	GATGAACGCCGTGGTCCC
Lp4	Lp4_F	GGGACTGACTGCGGATCA
	Lp4_R	GATGAACGCCGTGGTCCC
Lp5	Lp5_F	GTGCAACGATCATGGGCT
	Lp5_R	GATGAACGCCGTGGTCCC
Lp6	Lp6_F	GGGACTGACTGCGGATCA
	Lp6_R	GGCTTATGCGCCGTTTC

Lp6m1	Lp6m1_F	GGGACTGACTGCGGATCAGGCATACGCCAGTTTGTG
	Lp6m1_R	GGCTTATGCGCCGTTCCGGACAAAAGTGGCGTATG
Lp6m2	Lp6m2_F	GGGACTGACTGCGGATCAGGCATACGTTGATTCCACCCGG
	Lp6m2_R	GGCTTATGCGCCGTTCCGGGTGGAATCAAC
Lp6m3	Lp6m3_F	GGGACTGACTGCGGATCAGGCATACGTTGATTTTGTTAAGG
	Lp6m3_R	GGCTTATGCGCCGCCTTAAA
Pp1	Pp1_F	CCGCTCGTTTCCAGACATTA
	Pp1_R	GATGGTGATCTTGTGTCTT
Pp2	Pp2_F	GCCAAAATCAACTAGCACTG
	Pp2_R	GATGGTGATCTTGTGTCTT
Pp3	Pp2_F	GCCAAAATCAACTAGCACTG
	Pp3_R	CAGTGCTAGTTGATTTTGGC
Pp3m1	Pp3m1_F	CCGCTCGTTTCCAGACATTACTGGCGA
	Pp3m1_R	CAGTGCTAGTTGATTTTGGCCATTCGTTCCCGGATCGCCAGTAA
Pp3m2	Pp3m2_F	CCGCTCGTTTCCAGGTGTTA
	Pp3m2_R	CAGTGCTAGTTGATTTTGGCCATTCGTTCCCGGATCGTTGATAACACCTG
Pp3m3	Pp3m3_F	CCGCTCGTTCCTTAAACATTA
	Pp3m3_R	CAGTGCTAGTTGATTTTGGCCATTCGTTCCCGGATCGTTGATAATGTTTAAGG
Zp1		Gene synthesis (Twist Bioscience)
Zp2	Zp2_F	CCCCATCGTCATCCTGCT
	Zp2_R	CACATAGTCGACCGTTCT
Zp3	Zp3_F	AGGACGAGGGGCTGAAGC
	Zp3_R	CACATAGTCGACCGTTCT
Zp4	Zp4_F	GCGATCCTCTGGTTGACT
	Zp4_R	CACATAGTCGACCGTTCT
Zp5	Zp5_F	CCGATGGAGTCAATGCAG
	Zp5_R	CACATAGTCGACCGTTCT
Zp6	Zp4_F	GCGATCCTCTGGTTGACT
	Zp6_R	CCGCTACAAGGCGGTCTTTT
Zp6m1	Zp6m1_F	GCGATCCTCTGGCCAGCTTTGTTCCG
	Zp6m1_R	CCGCTACAAGGCGGTCTTTTTCGAACAAAGCTGGC
Zp6m2	Zp6m2_F	GCGATCCTCTGGTTGACTCCACTCG
	Zp6m2_R	CCGCTACAAGGCGGTCTTTTTCGAGTGGAG
Zp6m3	Zp6m3_F	GCGATCCTCTGGTTGACTTTGTTTAAGG
	Zp6m3_R	CCGCTACAAGGCGGTCTTTCCTTAA
Ap1	Ap1_F	GGCATTGTTGACCAGCACAT
	Ap1_R	AGCGATTCTGGAACCATGTG
Ap2	Ap2_F	GGGGCGATCCGTGACATC
	Ap2_R	AGCGATTCTGGAACCATGTG
Ap3	Ap3_F	CAATGCCGAAGCCGATGC
	Ap3_R	AGCGATTCTGGAACCATGTG
Ap4	Ap4_F	ATGGCGTTTCTCTCGAT
	Ap4_R	AGCGATTCTGGAACCATGTG
Ap5	Ap5_F	TTGCAGACAAGGAGAGAG
	Ap5_R	AGCGATTCTGGAACCATGTG

TABLE S3. dTetR and dMarR nucleotide sequences and amino acid sequences.

Name	Sequence (5' to 3') or (N- to C-terminal)
dTetR nucleotide	ATGACGGGCGGAAAGGCCGTGCTGGACCGCTTTGCGGTGGGGGTCGACAAGGACGCGATCATCGCGGCTGCGCTGGCGCTGC AGGCGAAACATGGGTGGCGGGCTGCACGCTCGCTGCAGTCGCGGAACGGCTGCGCGTCGACGAGACGCAGGTGAGCCGACA TTTCGCTGATCGCGCGGACCTGCTGACGGCCATGGCGCGGAGATTGCCCGCGCGTCCGCGCCACGCCGCCCGCGCAGGGCT GGCGGGCGCAGCTCGTCCAGCGCGCCAGTGCCGGGCGCCAGCTGATGCTTCCCGGGCGGACGGCGCATTGCTGTTGCGCGAC ATGCCGTCTCTTCCCGCTGGAGGAACAGGCTTCGACTGTGTGCCGGCCCTTTCGAGGTGGGTTTTCTCCGGCCGATGCG CGCGCCCGCTGGCGCTCGTCGATCGGTTACGGTTCGGTTCGCGGTGGCCGAGCAGCCGCGCCGGCCAGTGGGAGACGTC GGCAAGCTTCGAGAGCCAGCTTGACATTGCTCTGTCGGACTTGCTCCGCCCGCCCGACGGCTGGTGGCGCAGCGGGACG ACCGGCTGCGTCGCTCCAGTCAAGCCTCTGGGTGTTCTGCGCGATGCGTGA
dTetR amino acid	MTGGKAVLDRFAVGVDKDAIIAALALQAKHGLAGCTLAAVAERLRVDETVSRHFADRADLLTAMAREIARGVRATPPAQGWRA QLVQRASAGRQLMLSRRDGALLFAHMPSLFPPGGTGFDVCPALCEVGFSPADARAVALVDRFTVGFVAVEQAAPASAETSASFESQ LDIVLSGLASARPDGLVAQRDDRLRRFQSSLWVFLRDA
dMarR nucleotide	ATGGCGCGGAAAGCGCAACATCTCTTTGCGCGGACTGTCCACATCAACGAACTGGATCGCCGCATCCTACTGCTGCTTCAG GCGCAGGGCGACATGACGCTTGCCGCGATTTCCTGTCCACGGGGTGGACAAGGCGCAGGTGAGCCGCGCGATCAAGCGCAT GACGGAGATCTCGCTGCTCGCCCGCGGGCATCCGACCCGATCCGCTGAGTGCAGCGGGCCAGCTTGCCGAGCGCT TGCTGCGGCAGGCTGAGCTGCGCAATCGTGAGCTGACGTTCCGCATCACGGACGAGCAGATCGTCACGCTGTTGCGGTGCTG GACACGCTGCTGACCCGCGCCGTCGCGCTGTTGAGAAGGAGCGCAAGCTCGTCGCGTCCAACCAGCGGCAGGAACCGGTGCG ATTTCCAGGATCTGGTCGCGGAGGGCCTGCCGACGAGAACGGGATTGCCGTGGATCGCTCGCGCATCCTTCCGCCGTTTCATTA CGCTGTGTTTCGTACATGCTGCGGGGCGGGGCGCTCGCTCACAAAGCGGCGACCCGGGCTTCCAACCTCGAGAGCTGGGTCATT GCCGAGATCTGCCGAATCCGCAATCAGCTGGCCGAGCTGGTGTGGCCCTTATCGCGACCAGAGCCAGGCAGGGCGAAC GGTCAATCATCTGGTGGAGAGCGCCTTGTGAGCGCACCGGCAAGCCGGGGCGGCGCCATGGCTTCTTCGCGCCGACCGAGG AGGGCCGGCGGATCAGCGACATCATTGCGACACCGCCGCGGCGCAGCGAATTCCTTCCAGGGCATCCCGCCCCCGCAG CTCGACAGTTCATGGACGCGTTCGACATCTTTGCGCAATGCCGAAGTGCAGCTCGCCGGGAAAAGCGGATCCAGGAGAT GGACCGGGACTGA
dMarR amino acid	MARESANISFARTVHINELDRRILLLLQAQDMTLAAISLSTGVDKAQVSRAIKRMTEISLLARGGIRSPIRLSASGRQLAERLLRQAE LRNRELTFGITDEQIVTLFGVLDLTLTRAVALFEKERKLVASNQRQEPVDFQDLVAEGLPDENGIADVDRSRLPPFITLCSYMLRGGALA HKRRTGLSNFESWVIAEICRNPPISWPQLVLALYRDQSQAGRTVNHLVESGLVERTGKPGRRRHGFAPTEEGRRISDIIRDTAARRSEFL FQGIPPPQLDSFMDAFDILSRNAEVQLAREKAIQEMDRD

TABLE S4. Synthesized genes used for EMSA in this study.

Name	Sequence (5' to 3')
Zp1	CGGCGACCTGCGCACCGCGATCCTCAGCGTGAAGTGGGTCGCGATCCCCATCGTCATCCTGCTGCTGGTGTGGTGTTCGGATCCG CAAGGACGAGGGGCTGAAGCTCGAGCGGGCGGGGCGGGCGGCGAACCCGTCTGACCCGCCCCGGCCGGCCTGCGCGATCCTCT GGTTGACTTTGTTGAAAAAGACCGCCTTGTAGCGGCCGATGGAGTCAATGCAGCGCACAGCCAAATCGTGCGCGGGGTGAGA GGAAAGACAGGCCAATGGTTGATGTCAGAACGGTCGACTATGTG
Lp1	TTGTCCGCCAGGGCTGGGCCGTGAGCGGCGATGGCCGGGACAACGGACCTTATCGGACCGAGCAAGCGACCGCGGGCGGGCTGG CCGGGGCATCTGGCAAGGGCGTTTCGATCGCCGGGTGACTGGCGCGGGCAAACCGGCACCCGCGGGACTGACTGCGGATCAGG CATACGTTGATTTGTCCGGAACGCGCATAAGCCGTGCAACGATCATGGGCTTACCGCCCGGCAGCAAGCGATCGGTTGGAACA GGAGAGGAAGCATCATGGACATCGCAGGGACCACGGCGTTCATC

TABLE S5. RNA-Seq analysis of SYK-6 grown in the presence and absence of GGE

Gene	SYK-6 SEMP (TPM)	SEMP + GGE (TPM)	Fold (GGE + SEMP/SEMP)
GGE catabolism genes			
<i>ligD</i> *	19	740	39
<i>ligL</i> *	21	59	2.8
<i>ligN</i> *	25	156	6.2
<i>ligF</i>	27	681	25
<i>ligE</i>	11	436	40
<i>ligP</i>	27	1099	41
<i>ligG</i>	10	198	20
<i>ligQ</i>	1145	1717	1.5
<i>hvpZ</i>	30	394	13
SLG_20400	439	220	0.5
<i>vceA</i>	158	256	1.6
<i>vceB</i>	144	177	1.2
DGPD catabolism genes			
<i>ligO</i>	14	60	4.3
<i>ldpB</i>	6	61	10
<i>ldpC</i>	18	68	3.8
<i>ldpA</i>	9	149	17

* Genes involved in both GGE and DGPD catabolism.

TABLE S6. Orthologs of LigS and catabolic enzymes of GGE and DGPD in bacteria

Strains (ANI%)	LigS		LigD		LigT		LigN		LigF		LigE		LigP		LigG		LigO		HpxZ		LigO		LtpC		LtpB		LtpA			
	Evalue	Per. ident. Accession	Evalue	Per. ident. Accession	Evalue	Per. ident. Accession	Evalue	Per. ident. Accession	Evalue	Per. ident. Accession	Evalue	Per. ident. Accession	Evalue	Per. ident. Accession	Evalue	Per. ident. Accession	Evalue	Per. ident. Accession	Evalue	Per. ident. Accession	Evalue	Per. ident. Accession	Evalue	Per. ident. Accession	Evalue	Per. ident. Accession	Evalue	Per. ident. Accession		
<i>Sphingobium iguivorum</i> B1D3A (86.37)	0	99.61	0	99.02	0	98.98	0	99.36	0	99.29	0	99.29	0	99.29	0	97.74	0	98.66	0	99.44	0	99.68	3e-177	97.59	0	98.83	0	98.35	0	98.35
<i>Sphingobium xanthum</i> NLS (78.56)	0	73.45	0	87.54	8e-165	78.55	0	91.67	1e-178	91.67	0	92.17	0	95.02	8e-177	89.66	2e-172	80.49	0	88.41	0	89.23	87.15	0	88.23	4e-168	90	0	88.35	
<i>Sphingobium nicotianae</i> H33 (78.35)	0	70.92	0	85.57	0	82.35	4e-170	77.49	9e-180	90.23	0	89.96	0	83.93	7e-177	88.46	1e-170	79.58	0	90.25	0	87.21	4e-159	87.95	0	87.46	1e-167	90.34	0	88.35
<i>Sphingobium</i> sp. B1D2B (78.07)	0	64.53	0	82.78	0	84.38	0	89.39	1e-175	88.33	1e-127	83.84	0	88.87	4e-175	87.69	0	86.74	0	90.58	5e-76	41.13	87.47	0	84.82	3e-160	86.25	0	88.35	
<i>Sphingobium</i> sp. B1D2B (78.08)	0	64.53	0	82.78	0	84.38	0	89.39	1e-175	88.33	1e-127	83.84	0	88.87	1e-175	88.08	0	86.74	0	90.4	5e-76	41.13	84.34	0	84.82	8e-119	88.19	0	88.35	
<i>Sphingobium</i> sp. B1D3B (78.28)	0	64.34	0	82.78	0	84.03	0	88.75	3e-174	87.92	1e-127	83.84	0	88.61	7e-175	87.31	0	86.74	0	90.4	2e-75	40.78	84.74	0	84.82	7e-162	87.08	0	88.35	
<i>Sphingobium</i> sp. B8D3D (78.2)	0	64.34	0	82.12	0	83.68	0	89.07	5e-176	88.72	5e-127	83.47	0	88.61	7e-175	87.31	0	86.74	0	90.22	3e-76	41.13	84.34	0	84.82	8e-119	86.67	0	88.35	
<i>Sphingobium</i> sp. B8D3A (78.01)	0	64.34	0	82.12	0	83.68	0	89.07	5e-176	88.72	5e-127	83.47	0	88.61	7e-175	87.31	0	86.74	0	90.22	3e-76	41.13	84.34	0	84.82	8e-119	86.67	0	88.35	
<i>Sphingobium</i> sp. B8D3C (78.11)	0	64.15	0	83.11	0	84.03	0	89.07	6e-176	88.72	5e-127	83.47	0	88.61	7e-175	87.69	0	86.74	0	90.58	7e-76	40.78	84.74	0	84.82	2e-160	86.25	0	88.35	
<i>Sphingobium</i> sp. B8D3B (78.23)	0	64.15	0	83.11	0	84.03	0	89.07	6e-176	88.72	5e-127	83.47	0	88.61	7e-175	87.69	0	86.74	0	90.58	7e-76	40.78	84.74	0	84.82	2e-160	86.25	0	88.35	
<i>Sphingobium</i> sp. B2D3D (77.92)	0	64.15	0	83.11	0	84.03	0	89.07	6e-176	88.72	5e-127	83.47	0	88.61	7e-175	87.69	0	86.74	0	90.58	7e-76	40.78	84.74	0	84.82	2e-160	86.25	0	88.35	
<i>Sphingobium</i> sp. B2D3A (77.86)	0	64.15	0	82.45	0	84.38	0	88.42	1e-175	88.33	1e-127	83.84	0	88.87	1e-173	86.54	0	86.74	0	90.58	2e-75	40.78	84.74	0	84.82	4e-161	86.67	0	88.35	
<i>Sphingobium</i> sp. B1D7B (77.94)	0	64.15	0	82.45	0	84.38	0	88.42	1e-175	88.33	1e-127	83.84	0	88.87	1e-173	86.54	0	86.74	0	90.58	2e-75	40.78	84.74	0	84.82	4e-161	86.67	0	88.35	
<i>Sphingobium</i> sp. B11D3D (78.03)	0	64.15	0	83.11	0	83.68	0	88.42	2e-174	87.94	1e-127	83.84	0	88.87	1e-175	88.08	0	86.74	0	90.58	7e-76	40.78	84.74	0	84.82	4e-161	86.67	0	88.35	
<i>Sphingobium</i> sp. B11D3A (78.23)	0	64.15	0	83.11	0	84.03	0	89.07	2.00E-176	87.94	1e-127	83.84	0	88.87	1e-175	87.64	0	86.74	0	90.58	7e-76	40.78	84.74	0	84.82	7e-162	87.08	0	88.35	
<i>Sphingobium</i> sp. B10D7B (78.16)	0	64.15	0	83.11	0	84.03	0	89.07	2.00E-176	87.94	1e-127	83.84	0	88.87	1e-175	87.64	0	86.74	0	90.58	7e-76	40.78	84.74	0	84.82	7e-162	87.08	0	88.35	
<i>Sphingobium</i> sp. B10D7A (78.14)	0	64.15	0	82.78	0	84.72	0	89.07	5e-176	88.72	5e-127	83.47	0	88.61	3e-174	86.54	0	84.69	0	90.4	5e-76	41.13	83.94	0	84.82	8e-119	88.19	0	88.35	
<i>Sphingobium xanthum</i> B10D3A(78.06)	0	64.15	0	82.78	0	84.72	0	89.07	5e-176	88.72	5e-127	83.47	0	88.61	3e-174	86.54	0	84.69	0	90.4	5e-76	41.13	83.94	0	84.82	8e-119	88.19	0	88.35	
<i>Sphingobium</i> sp. B2D3C (77.98)	0	63.76	0	83.11	0	84.38	0	89.39	1e-175	88.33	1e-127	83.84	0	88.87	8e-178	88.46	0	86.38	0	90.58	7e-76	40.78	84.74	0	84.82	7e-162	87.08	0	88.35	
<i>Sphingobium</i> sp. B2D3B (78.06)	0	63.76	0	83.11	0	84.38	0	89.39	1e-175	88.33	1e-127	83.84	0	88.87	8e-178	88.46	0	86.38	0	90.58	7e-76	40.78	84.74	0	84.82	7e-162	87.08	0	88.35	
<i>Erythrobacter</i> sp. SG81-L	3e-56	51.5	6e-55	40.28	8e-97	50.75	1e-149	68.59	3e-110	63.11	2e-132	66.42	5e-189	80.9	3e-112	60.58	0	86.38	0	73.13	1e-71	43.77	81.54	3e-145	67.68	3e-119	71.68	0	88.35	
<i>Attermyrobacter laurussii</i> Y-8	2e-92	50.62							7e-107	59.02	1e-105	55.8	7e-121	60.65	4e-110	58.97				3e-120	69.64	7e-144	68.54	4e-118	72.65	4e-118	72.65	0	88.35	
<i>Attermyrobacter</i> sp. CC-Y8T894	4e-104	47.84			5e-94	50	4e-71	43.28	5e-57	41.54	7e-114	59.71	2e-132	66.06	8e-115	61.31	0	72.95	1e-68	41.79	90.68	4e-120	72.06	1e-144	67.32	3e-119	70.35	0	88.35	
<i>Aurantobacterium spongiae</i> HN-Y73	5e-89	47.81	3e-112	55.56	2e-94	50.37	6e-154	69.77	5e-109	61.49	6e-131	68.3	2e-161	75.89	3e-118	61.68	0	71.06	3e-172	79.73	3e-100	60.32	4e-142	65.23	2e-119	70.35	0	88.35		
<i>Aurantobacterium xanthus</i> CCTCC AB 2015396	6e-93	47.63			2e-110	61.89	2e-111	66.79	6e-121	69.35	2e-111	66.79	6e-121	69.35	2e-111	66.79	0	71.43	6e-112	60.44	9e-128	68.44	3e-138	66.01	3e-119	71.24	0	88.35		
<i>Attermyrobacter lulius</i> KACC 19119	3e-101	47.24			9e-94	50	4e-143	68.91	5e-110	63.52	2e-134	67.9	5e-167	79.71	2e-113	60.95	0	73.51	1E-66	42.09	9e-117	70.33	7e-145	67.89	5e-118	72.12	0	88.35		
<i>Attermyrobacter</i> sp. Root672	6e-92	47.18			3e-95	49.1	2e-116	63.82	9e-124	64.07	9e-161	76.16	9e-161	76.16	1e-119	62.41	0	71.79	8e-65	40.27	6e-122	68.83	2e-145	68.21	6e-119	70.85	0	88.35		
<i>Croceobacterium aestuarii</i> D39	1e-98	46.58			1e-96	50.18	2e-56	41.2	7e-112	61.38	9e-105	56.04	2e-128	62.99	7e-121	62.62	0	70.11	3e-66	42.42	3e-112	68.67	7e-143	65.56	1e-117	71.3	0	88.35		
<i>Attermyrobacter palmatis</i> KCTC52807	2e-83	46.44			3e-108	59.84	2e-106	57.41	7e-120	60.29	3e-111	59.12	3e-111	59.12	3e-111	59.12	0	71.43	8e-119	69.23	3e-144	67.88	3e-117	70.35	0	88.35				
<i>Aurantobacterium sauedae</i> GH3-15	1e-92	46.3			8e-109	60.66	2e-108	56.79	7e-118	58.76	1e-118	58.76	1e-118	58.76	1e-118	58.76	0	71.43	2e-119	69.26	1e-134	64.69	4e-117	69.91	0	88.35				
<i>Croceobacterium selenioidans</i> LX-88	1e-98	46.3			8e-91	46.93	2e-116	63.82	2e-126	65.56	1e-161	76.16	1e-161	76.16	1e-118	61.31	0	71.43	2e-124	70.45	1e-141	66.89	9e-121	72.65	0	88.35				
<i>Attermyrobacter saegetsi</i> YJ20	8e-98	46.17	3e-113	55.89	2e-94	49.46	3e-57	40.65	3e-104	59.43	4e-110	58.24	1e-127	63.21	4e-112	60.95	0	71.22	4e-85	48.13	1e-111	68.83	1e-149	69.54	2e-115	69.96	0	88.35		
<i>Aurantobacter</i> sp. DGJ5	6e-91	46.01			6e-107	59.43	7e-111	57.3	3e-120	61.11	2e-105	56.78	9e-129	63.17	3e-118	61.9	0	71.43	4e-118	67.62	2e-135	65.35	3e-118	70.8	0	88.35				
<i>Croceobacterium salegens</i> MCCC 1K01500	2e-101	45.79			3e-97	50.18	2e-58	41.2	1e-104	58.61	2e-105	56.78	9e-129	63.17	1e-116	62.27	0	70.79	5e-65	41.41	1e-117	68.27	1e-138	64.03	4e-114	70.4	0	88.35		
<i>Aurantobacterium indicum</i> DSM 18604	9e-96	45.45	3e-111	55.1	6e-94	48.2	1e-150	68.71	2e-108	63.63	4e-133	67.53	2e-161	76.6	3e-116	60.95	0	71.59	1e-168	78.45	7e-92	60.73	3e-137	66.79	4e-118	70.35	0	88.35		
<i>Aurantobacter</i> sp. MJD11	2e-95	45.41			3e-110	61.76	1e-113	57.35	8e-125	61.9	1e-113	57.35	8e-125	61.9	3e-112	59.49	0	71.43	9e-141	65.79	2e-125	71.72	9e-141	65.79	1e-131	75	0	88.35		
<i>Aurantobacterium endophyticum</i> LMG 29518	2e-92	44.5	3e-104	51.7	3e-96	49.82	1e-154	69.23	4e-105	61.76	5e-135	67.53	1e-162	78.49	4e-121	64.86	0													

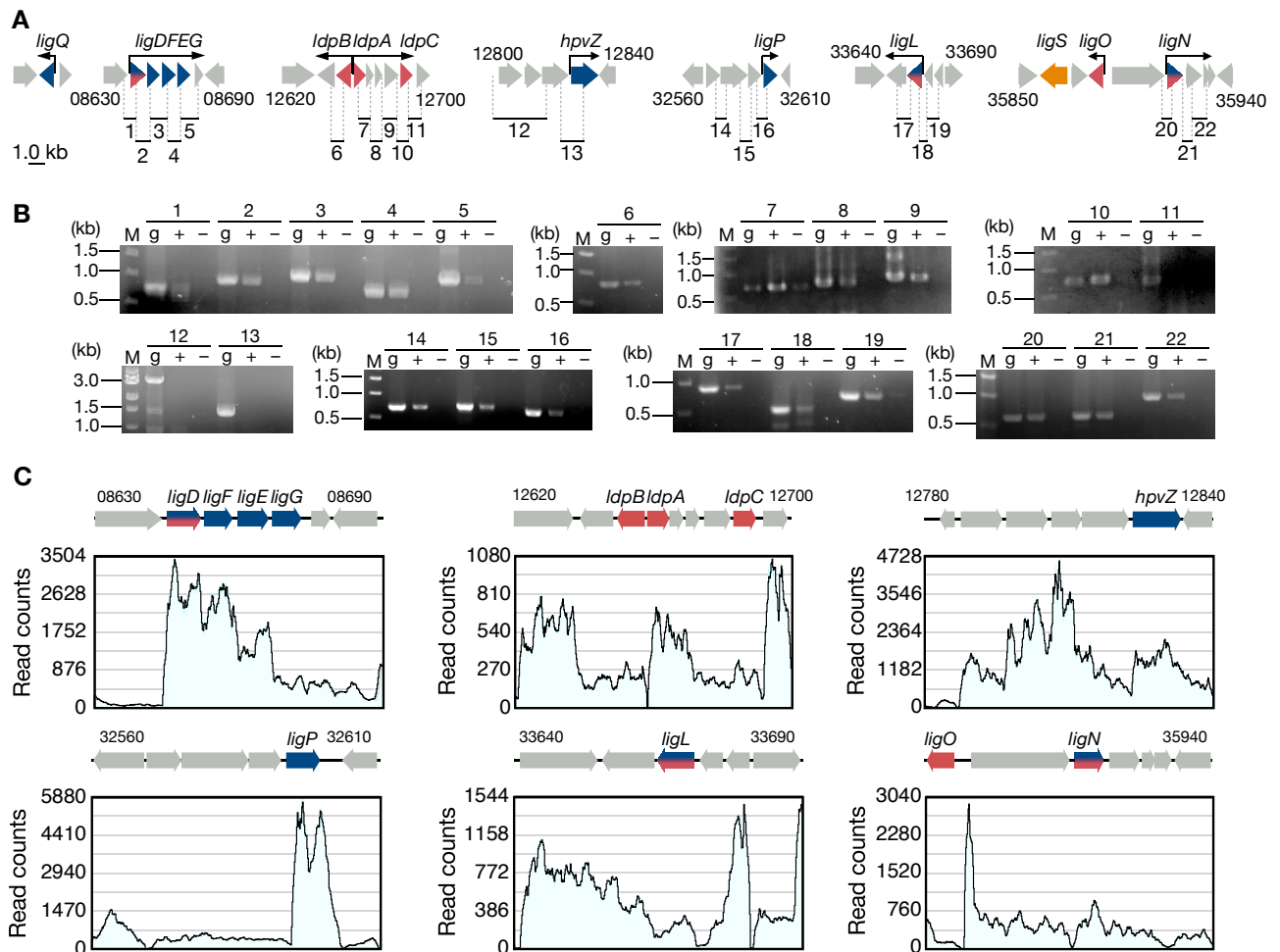


Fig. S1. Identification of transcription units for GGE and DGPD catabolism genes.

(A) Organization of the GGE and DGPD catabolism genes. The bars with numbers below the map indicate the regions to be amplified and correspond to the numbering in panel B. (B) Agarose gel electrophoresis of RT-PCR assays with primers amplifying the regions shown in panel A. Total RNAs isolated from SYK-6 cells grown in Wx-SEMP + 5 mM GGE were used as templates for cDNA synthesis. Lanes: M, molecular size markers; g, control PCR with the SYK-6 genomic DNA; + and -, RT-PCR with or without reverse transcriptase, respectively. (C) RNA-Seq read coverage of the GGE and DGPD catabolism genes. RNAseq was performed using RNA obtained from SYK-6 cells grown in Wx-SEMP + 5 mM GGE.

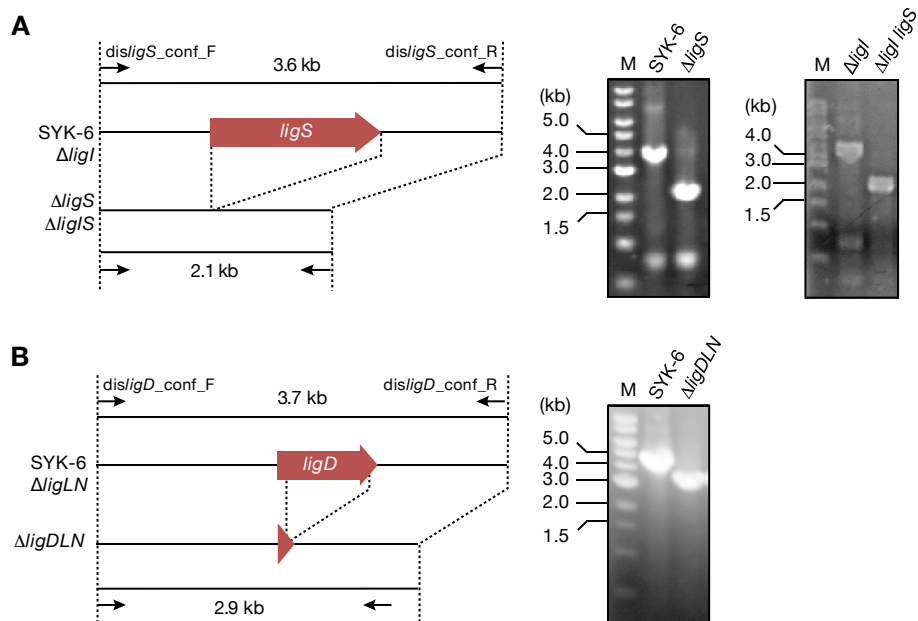


Fig. S2. Construction of *ligS* mutants and *ligD ligL ligN* triple mutant.

The left panels show schematic representations of the disruption of *ligS* in SYK-6 and $\Delta ligI$ (A) and the disruption of *ligD* in $\Delta ligLN$ (B). The disruption of the genes was examined by colony PCR analyses (right side panels). The primer pairs used for colony PCR analyses are shown in Table S2. M, molecular size markers.

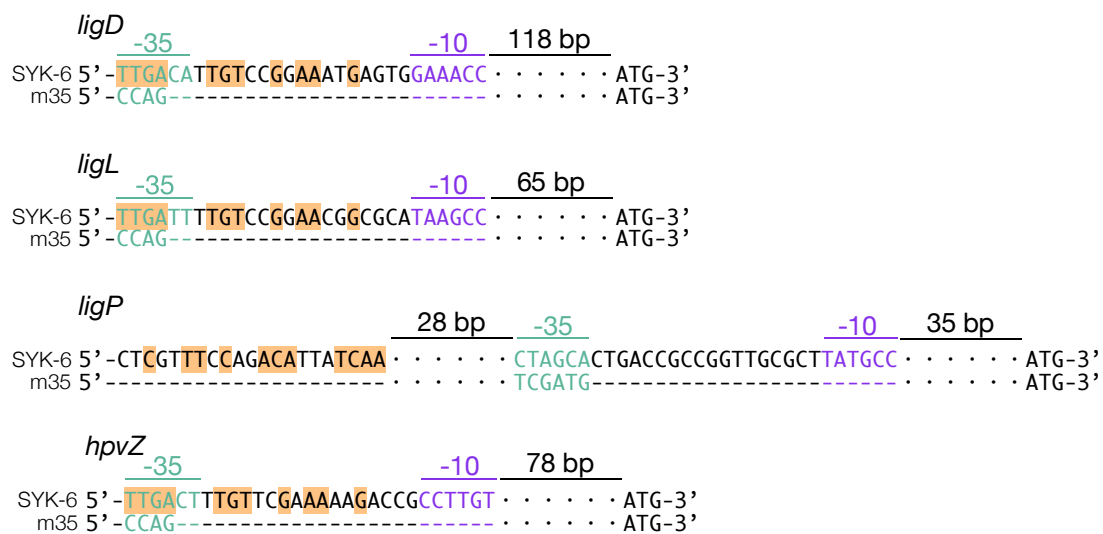


Fig. S3. Mutation into the putative *ligD*, *ligL*, *ligP*, and *hpvZ* promoter sequences.

The putative -35 and -10 elements are shown in green and violet, respectively. LigS binding sequences were highlighted in yellow. Mutations in the -35 element are shown as m35.

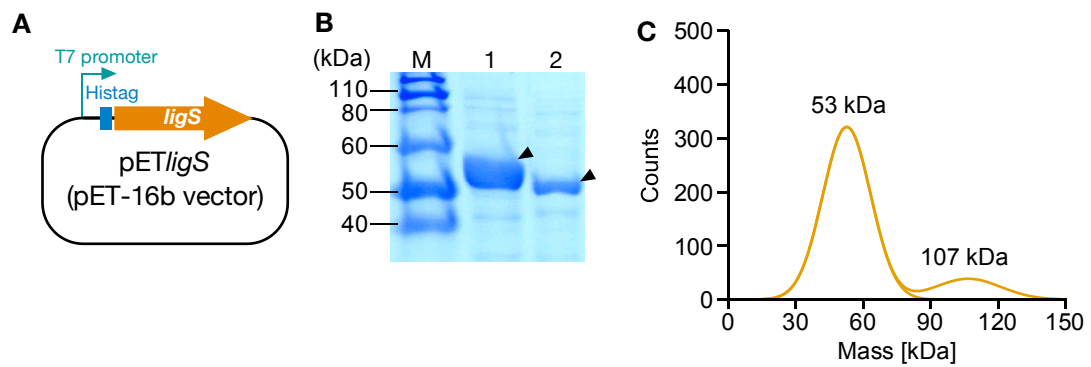


Fig. S4. Purification and molecular mass analysis of LigS.

(A) A plasmid construction of pET*ligS*. (B) SDS-PAGE of purified LigS. Lanes: M, molecular size markers; 1, His-LigS (2 μ g); 2, LigS with His-tag removed by Factor Xa (2 μ g). (C) Molecular mass analysis of LigS using Mass photometry.

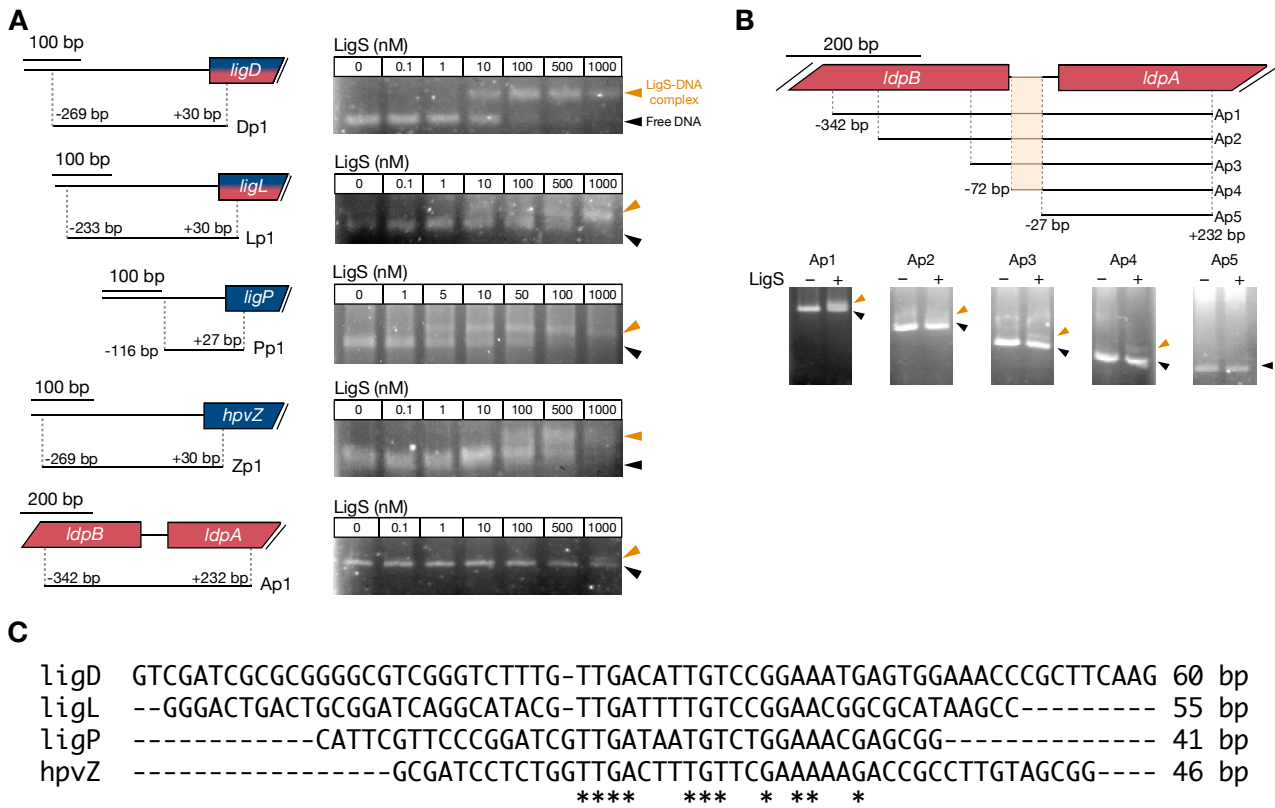


Fig. S5. Identification of LigS binding region.

(A) EMSAs of LigS (0–1000 nM) binding to Dp1, Lp1, Pp1, Zp1, and Ap1 probes (40 fmol). (B) EMSA of LigS (1000 nM) binding to stepwise shortened *ldpA* probes (40 fmol). Each probe was incubated in the presence (+) and absence (-) of purified LigS. (C) Alignment of LigS binding regions upstream of *ligD*, *ligL*, *ligP*, and *hpvZ*. Alignment was performed using Clustal W.

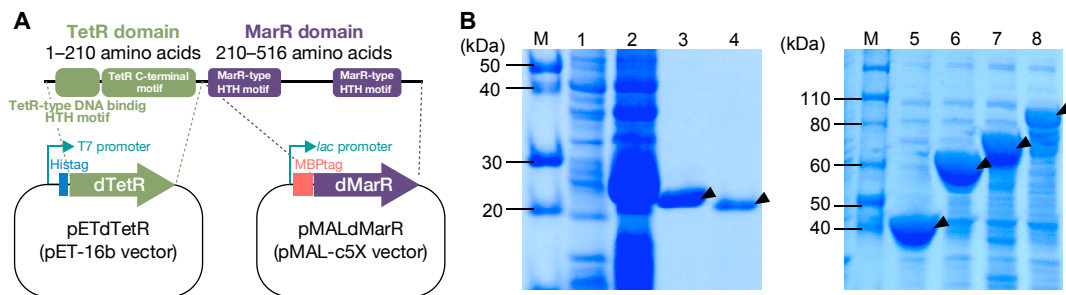


Fig. S6. Expression plasmids for coding regions of TetR and MarR domains.

(A) Plasmids construction of pETdTetR and pMALdMarR. dTetR uses amino acid residues from position 1 to 210 of LigS, and dMarR uses amino acid residues from position 210 to 516. dTetR and dMarR have a stop codon (TGA) and a start codon (ATG) added, respectively. (B) SDS-PAGE of dTetR and dMarR. Lanes: M, molecular size markers; 1, cell extracts of *E. coli* harboring pET-16b (10 μ g); 2, cell extracts of *E. coli* harboring pETdTetR (10 μ g); 3, purified His-dTetR (2 μ g); 4, purified dTetR with His-tag removed by Factor Xa (2 μ g); 5, cell extracts of *E. coli* harboring pMAL-c5X (MBP; 10 μ g); 6, cell extracts of *E. coli* harboring pMALdTetR (MBP-dTetR; 10 μ g); 7, cell extracts of *E. coli* harboring pMALdMarR (MBP-dMarR; 10 μ g); 8, cell extracts of *E. coli* harboring pMALLigS (MBP-LigS; 10 μ g).

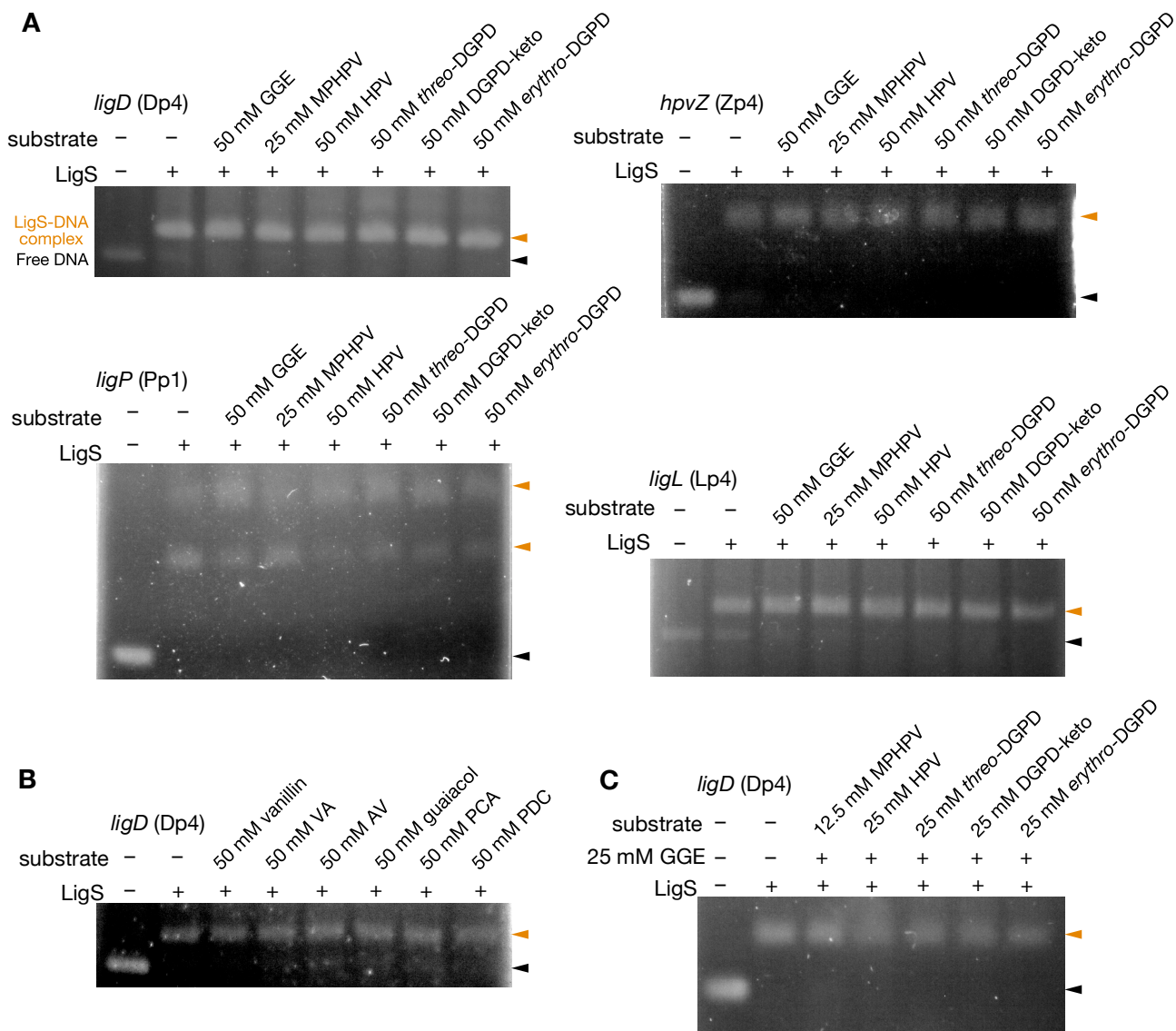


Fig. S7. Search for effector molecules of LigS.

(A) EMSAs of LigS (100–1000 nM) binding to Dp4, Lp4, Pp1, and Zp4 (40 fmol) in the presence of GGE, DGPD, and their metabolites. (B) EMSAs of LigS (100 nM) binding to Dp4 (40 fmol) in the presence of downstream metabolites. (C) EMSAs of LigS (100 nM) binding to Dp4 (40 fmol) in the presence of GGE plus MPHPV, HPV, *threo*-DGPD, DGPD-keto, or *erythro*-DGPD. Abbreviations: VA, vanillic acid; AV, acetovanillone; PCA, protocatechuic acid; PDC, 2-pyrone-4,6-dicarboxylic acid; HPV, β -hydroxypropiovanillone. Each probe was incubated in the presence (+) and absence (-) of purified LigS.

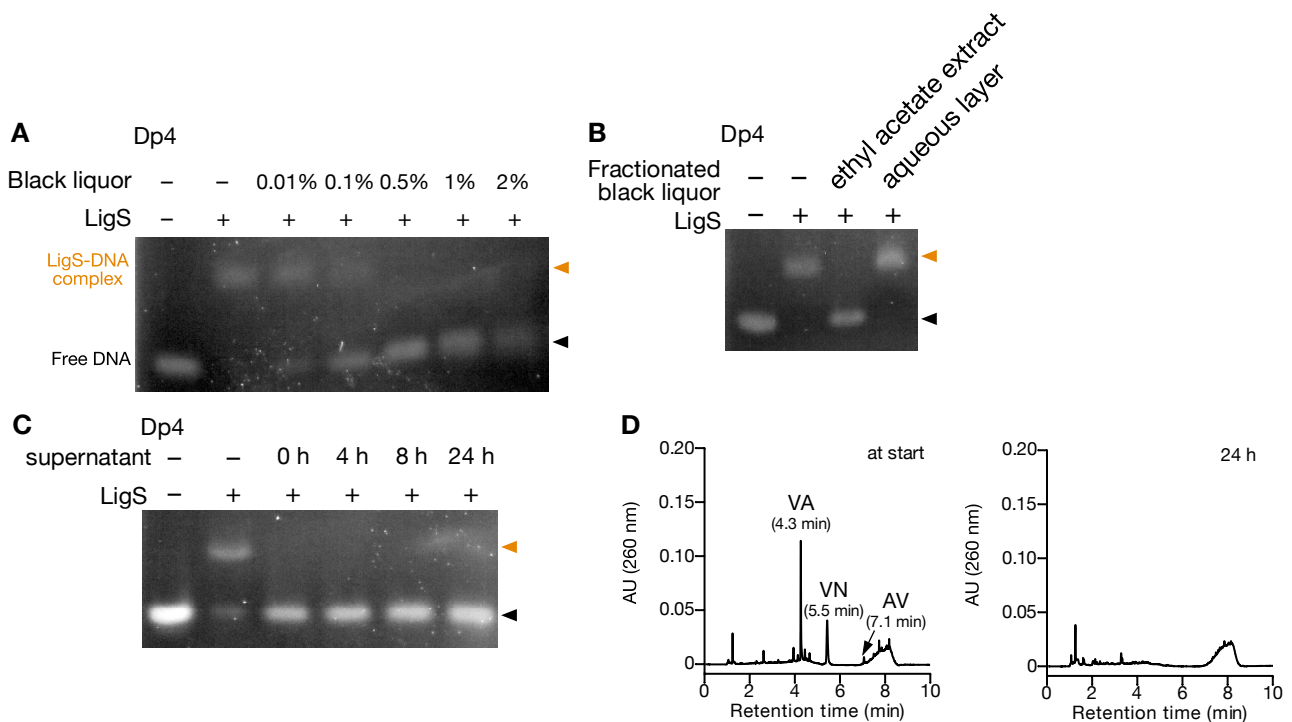


Fig. S8. Search for effector molecules of LigS from black liquor.

(A) EMSAs of LigS (100 nM) binding to Dp4 (40 fmol) in the presence of neutralized black liquor. (B) EMSAs of LigS (100 nM) binding to Dp4 (40 fmol) in the presence of ethyl acetate extract of black liquor and aqueous layer after ethyl acetate extraction. (C) EMSAs of LigS (100 nM) binding to Dp4 (40 fmol) in the presence of black liquor incubated with SYK-6 for 4, 8, and 24 h. Each probe was incubated with (+) or without (-) purified LigS. (D) HPLC analysis of black liquor incubated with SYK-6 for 24 h. SYK-6 cells were incubated with 5% neutralized black liquor in Wx-SEMP. Portions of the culture were collected at the start and 24 h and analyzed using HPLC. HPLC analysis was performed with the ACQUITY UPLC system (Waters). The sample solution was filtered through a PTFE filter (Captiva Econofilter, Agilent) with a pore size of 0.20 μm and using CORTECS UPLC T3 column (particle size, 1.6 μm ; 2.1 \times 150 mm, Waters). The mobile phase was a mixture of solution A (acetonitrile containing 0.1% formic acid) and B (water containing 0.1% formic acid) under the following conditions: 0–3.0 min, linear gradient from 1 to 20% A; 3.0–5.0 min, decreasing gradient from 20 to 7% A; 5.0–6.1 min, linear gradient from 7 to 30% A; 6.1–7.1 min, linear gradient from 30 to 50% A; 7.1–7.5 min, decreasing gradient from 50 to 1% A; 7.5–10 min, 1% A. The flow rate was 0.3 mL/min, and the column temperature was 40°C. Abbreviations: VA, vanillic acid; VN, vanillin; AV, acetovanillone.

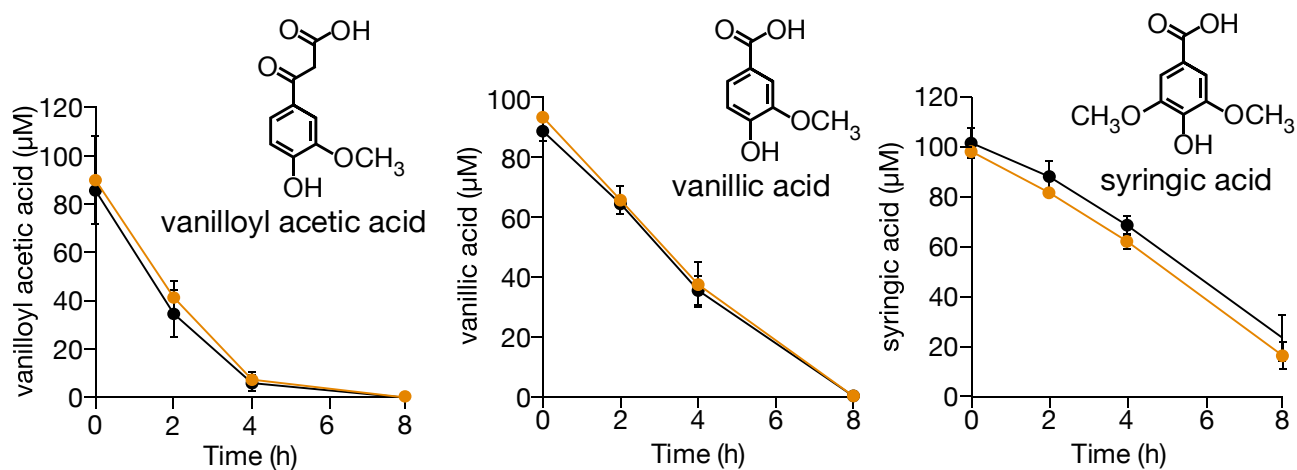


Fig. S9. Conversion of vanilloyl acetic acid, vanillic acid, and syringic acid by resting cells of SYK-6 and $\Delta ligS$.

Cells of SYK-6 (black) and $\Delta ligS$ (orange) with an OD_{600} of 0.5 vanilloyl acetic acid and 1.0 (vanillic acid and syringic acid), respectively, were incubated with 100 μM vanilloyl acetic acid, vanillic acid, and syringic acid.

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