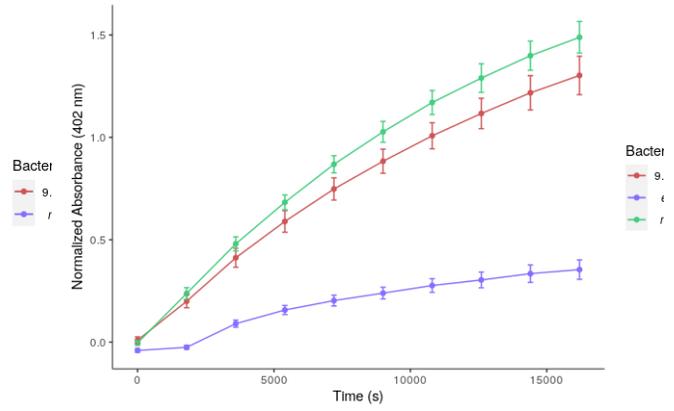


(a)



(b)

**Figure S3.** Deletion of NlhH resulted in no significant loss in esterase activity against p-np-butyrate unlike EstB; (a)  $\Delta nlhH$  on np-butyrate compared to wildtype control. (b)  $\Delta nlhH$  and  $\Delta estB$  esterase activity on p-np-butyrate compared to wildtype control.