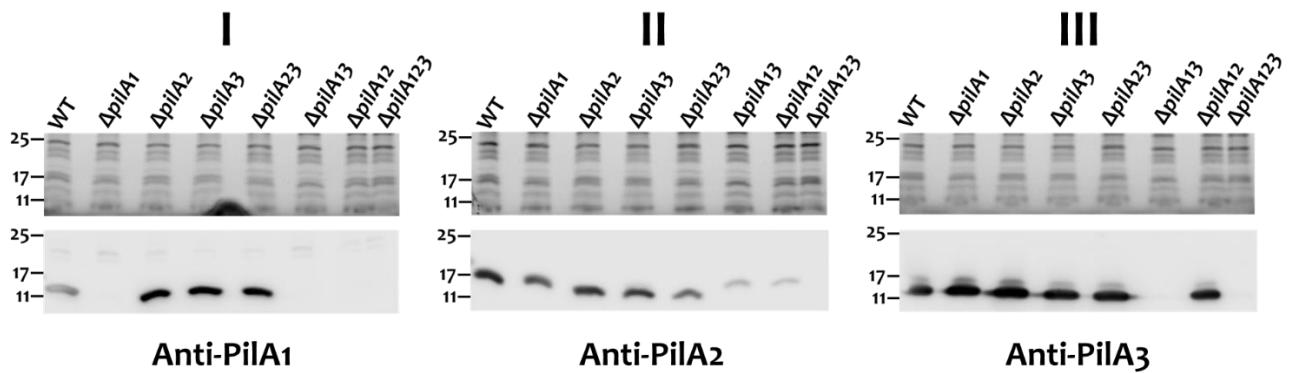


**Table S1.** Primers used in this study.

Primer	Sequences <sup>c</sup>	Purpose
PilA1-BamHI-S	<u>CGCGGGATCC</u> CGATTCCAGCTATTACTTC	Construction of pET28a/pilA1
PilA1-Xhol-AS	CGCGCTCGAGAGTTCTTATTAAACCCGTTG	
PilA2-BamHI-S	<u>CGCGGGATCC</u> CGGTTCCGGCTCTCACTTC	Construction of pET28a/pilA2
PilA2-Xhol-AS	CGCGCTCGAGAGTTGGTATTGAACCACTAT	
PilA3-BamHI-S	<u>CGCGGGATCC</u> CGATTCCAGCTATCACTTC	Construction of pET28a/pilA3
PilA3-Xhol-AS	CGCGCTCGAGAATTTTATTAACTCCATTG	
PilA1-501-S <sup>a</sup>	TGGTGCAGGCCGGTGAAAAG	Construction of strain ΔpilA1
PilA1-1506-BamHI-AS <sup>a</sup>	CGCGGGATCCTAACATTGAATAGATCTCCTATT	
PilA1-1936-XbaI-S	CGCGTCTAGAAAGAACTAACGCAAATCATCAAATC	
PilA1-2944-AS	GGGTTGTACCACTAATAGTATGTGC	
PilA2-1052-S	CGTCTGACAGGGATGATTAC	Construction of strain ΔpilA2
PilA2-2057-BamHI-AS	CGCGGGATCCTCGCACTAACATTCTCCTAACATT	
PilA2-2502-XbaI-S <sup>a</sup>	CGCGTCTAGAACCAACTAGCTAAATGTAGTTAAA	
PilA2-3507-AS <sup>a</sup>	CCGTCAAACTTCTGTCT	
PilA3-1587-S <sup>b</sup>	CATTATCGCTATCATTGCAGCTGTA	Construction of strain ΔpilA3
PilA3-2589-BamHI-AS	CGCGGGATCCTAACATTAAATATTCTCCTATT	
PilA3-3022-XbaI-S <sup>a</sup>	CGCGTCTAGAAAAAAATTAAATAGACTGCAGAATTAA	
PilA3-4024-AS <sup>a,b</sup>	GTTCTAACTCACTAACATTCCAGT	
NP-erm-BamHI-S	AAT <u>GGATCC</u> TTAAGAAGGAGTGATTACATG	Amplification of erm
NP-erm-XbaI-AS	CGATCTAGACTATTATTCTCCCCTTAAA	
PilA3-2589-NdeI-AS	CGCGCATATGTAACATTAAATATTCTCCTATT	Construction of strain ΔpilA13
Non-Km-XbaI-AS	TTT <u>CTAGAGT</u> ACTAAAACAATTCCAGTAAAA-	
Non-polar-Km-S-NdeI	TT <u>CATATGG</u> AAAGGAAATAATAATGGCTAAAATG-	

<sup>a</sup>, also used in the construction of ΔpilA12 and ΔpilA123<sup>b</sup>, also used in the construction of ΔpilA13<sup>c</sup>, Restriction endonuclease recognition sequences are underlined.

Figure S1



**Figure S1.** The expression of PilA proteins in *S. sanguinis* CGMH010 and its *pilA*-deletion derivatives. 20 µg of total cell lysate from each strain was separated on 12% SDS-PAGE gels prepared using the TGX Stain-Free system (top images) and analyzed by western analysis (bottom images). The strains are indicated above the gel images. Antisera used for each blot are listed below the blot. The molecular weight in kDa is shown to the left of both the gel and the blot. WT, wild-type *S. sanguinis* CGMH010.