Table S1. Bacterial strains used in this study

Strain	Genotype or purpose	Reference or source
DH10B	F$^-$ *mcr*A Δ(*mrr-hsd*RMS-*mcr*BC) φ80*lac*ZΔM15 Δ*lac*X74 *rec*A1 *end*A1 *ara*D139 Δ(*ara-leu*)7697 *gal*U *gal*K λ$^-$ *rps*L(Str^R) *nup*G	Thermo Fisher Scientific
DH10B-Me	Methylation-proficient DH10B carrying plasmid pACYC-Me	This study
DH10B-RSFMe	Methylation-proficient DH10B carrying plasmid pRSFori-Me	This study
Tuner(DE3)	F$^-$ *ompT hsdS*$_B$ (r$_B^-$ m$_B^-$) *gal dcm lacY1*(DE3)	Novagen, Merck, USA
ER2566	*fhu*A2 *lac*Z::T7 *gene1* [*Ion*] *omp*T *gal sul*A11 R(*mcr*-73::miniTn10-Tet^S)2 [*dcm*] R(*zgb*-210::Tn10-Tet^S) *end*A1 Δ(*mcr*C-*mrr*)114::IS10	New England Biolabs, USA
ER2566-Me	Methylation-proficient ER2566 carrying plasmid pACYC-Me	This study
ArcticExpress(DE3)	*E. coli* B F$^-$ *ompT hsdS*(r$_B^-$ m$_B^-$) *dcm*$^+$Tet^r*gal* λ(DE3) *endA* Hte [*cpn10 cpn60* Gent^r]	Agilent Technologies, USA
LMG194	F$^-$ Δ*lac*X74 *gal*E *thi rps*L(Str^R) Δ*pho*A (*Pvu*II) Δ*ara*714 *leu*::Tn*10*	Thermo Fisher Scientific
LMG194-Me	Methylation-proficient LMG194 carrying plasmid pACYC-Me	This study
LMG194-RSFMe	Methylation-proficient LMG194 carrying plasmid pRSF ori-Me	This study
GM119	F- *sup*E44 *lac*Y1 *gal*K2 *gal*T22 *met*B1 *dam*-3 *dcm*-6 *tsx*-78 *lambda*-	[1]

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