

**Table 1.** Primers for RT-PCR and qPCR.

Primer name	Sequence (5'-3')	Amplified fragmenta
<i>testF1</i>	TTCGTCTCGCTCAACGACAA	1605 bp <i>gtsA-up</i> and <i>Cat</i> internal fragment
<i>testR1</i>	TCACCAGCTCACCGTCTTTC	
<i>testF2</i>	TTCTTGCCCCGCCTGATGAAT	1621 bp <i>Cat</i> and <i>gtsA-down</i> internal fragment
<i>testR2</i>	CAGCAACATCACGATCAGCG	
<i>testF3</i>	TTGTAAAACGACGGCCAGTG	1498 bp internal fragment with <i>gtsA</i>
<i>testR3</i>	CTCACTCATTAGGCACCCCA	
<i>gtsA-F</i>	GAAGACCCTCGACGAGTTCT	1141 bp <i>gtsA</i> and <i>gtsB</i> internal fragment
<i>gtsB-R</i>	AGGTAGATGGTGCGGATCAG	
<i>gtsB-F</i>	CTGCTGTCGTTACCAACTC	1017 bp <i>gtsB</i> and <i>gtsC</i> internal fragment
<i>gtsC-R</i>	ACGATCTTCACCGAGTTCCA	
<i>PST0988-F</i>	TGAAACTGAATGAAGCCGCC	202 bp internal fragment
<i>PST0988-R</i>	ATTTCGGCGAACACCTTGTC	
<i>PST1574-F</i>	CCTGGGCATCATGTTCATTGG	239 bp internal fragment
<i>PST1574-R</i>	CTACACCGATCAACAGCGTG	
<i>PST1604-F</i>	AGCATCATCTGGGGTATCGG	195 bp internal fragment
<i>PST1604-R</i>	GCTGTACAACCCGTAGACCA	
<i>PST1613-F</i>	CTATCCACGGGGCTTTCTGA	160 bp internal fragment
<i>PST1613-R</i>	CAGTACCTTCGATTGCACGG	
<i>PST1972-F</i>	TGTGCTGGTACCGAACTTCT	190 bp internal fragment
<i>PST1972-R</i>	CATCGCCAGGCTCAAAAGG	
<i>PST2191-F</i>	GATCTTCTGGCACCTGACCT	155 bp internal fragment
<i>PST2191-R</i>	TGTAGATCAGGTACGCGAGG	
<i>PST2437-F</i>	ATCCACCCTGATGAACTGCA	218 bp internal fragment
<i>PST2437-R</i>	CCACCTCCTCCTCGATCTTC	
<i>PST2438-F</i>	GCGTTCACCACACTGTTCTT	249 bp internal fragment
<i>PST2438-R</i>	ATTGACCAGGTTGTTTCAGCG	
<i>PST2439-F</i>	CAGTGCGTTGATGATCCTCG	217 bp internal fragment
<i>PST2439-R</i>	CAGCTCGGAGTACAGGTAGG	
<i>PST2440-F</i>	ACCCACGACTTGCAGGATAA	182 bp internal fragment

PST2440-R	GCTCGACCATCTTCTGCAAG	
PST2907-F	CAGAAATTCATCCTCGGGCG	155 bp internal fragment
PST2907-R	TCGGAGATCACCAGAATCGC	
PST3484-F	TCTTCCAAATGTTTCCGCCG	161 bp internal fragment
PST3484-R	GTAGCCCTTGATGGTCCAGA	
PST3581-F	GATTCTCAAGGTGCTGCTGG	161 bp internal fragment
PST3581-R	TCACGTCGCTCATTTTGTGG	
16S-F	CCTACGGGAGGCAGCAG	150 bp internal fragment
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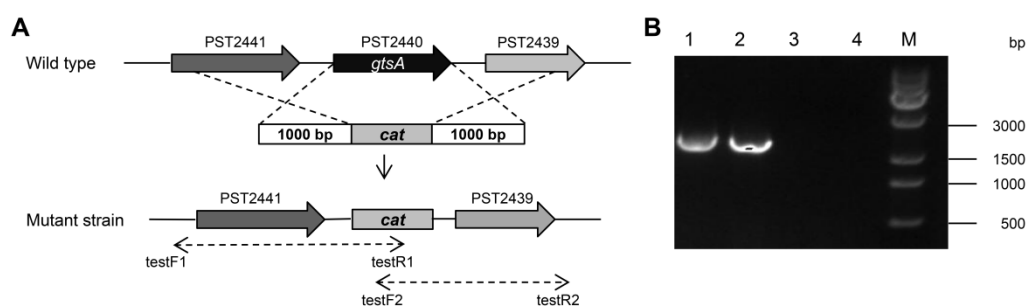


Figure S1. Construction and validation of *gtsA* deletion mutant. (A) Schematic representation of the *gtsA* deletion mutant generated by replacing the *gtsA* region with the chloramphenicol resistance gene *cat* (Cm^r). The primer pairs testF1–testR1 and testF2–testR2 were used to analyze the *gtsA* deletion as indicated by arrows and the corresponding sequences are shown in Table S1. (B) Validation of *gtsA* deletion mutant by colony PCR. The testF1–testR1 (lanes 2 and 4) and testF2–testR2 (lanes 1 and 3) junctions were amplified using wild type strain (lanes 3 and 4) and *gtsA* deletion mutant (lanes 1 and 2) as the template. Lane M, 15 kb plus DNA ladder, and the sizes of the molecular markers are indicated at the side in bp.

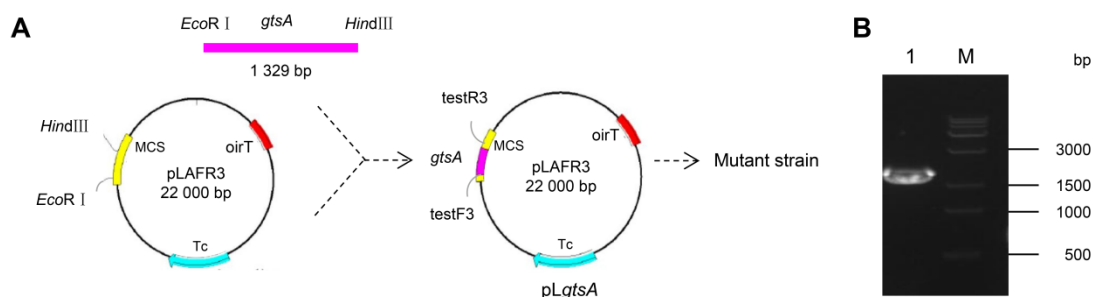
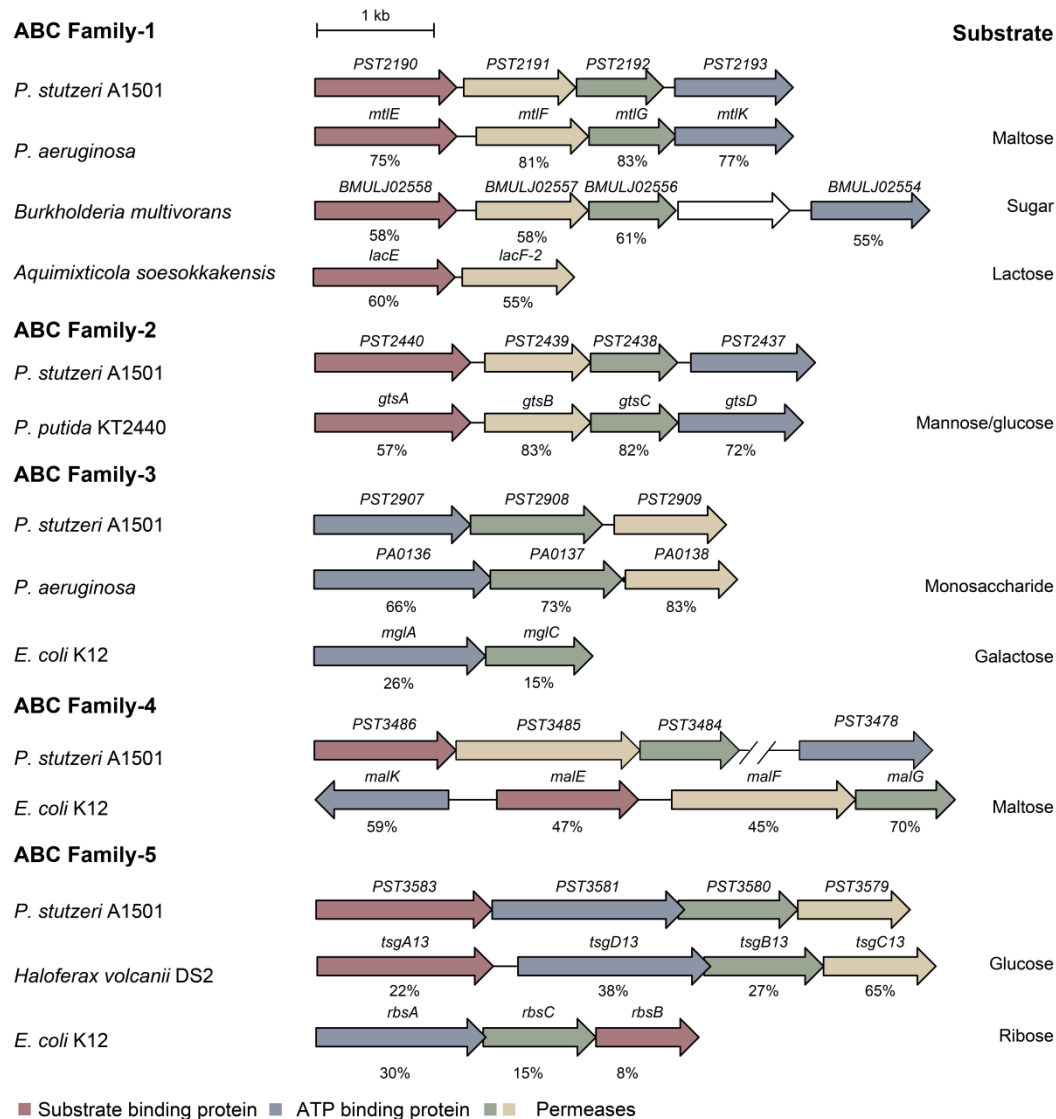


Figure S2. Construction and validation of $\Delta gtsA$ (pLgtsA). (A) Schematic representation of the $\Delta gtsA$ (pLgtsA) generated by introducing pLgtsA into the *gtsA* deletion mutant. The primer pair testF3–testR3 was used to analyze the $\Delta gtsA$ (pLgtsA) and the corresponding sequences are shown in Table S1. (B) Validation of $\Delta gtsA$ (pLgtsA) by colony PCR (lane 1). Lane M, 15 kb plus DNA ladder, and the sizes of the molecular markers are indicated at the side in bp.



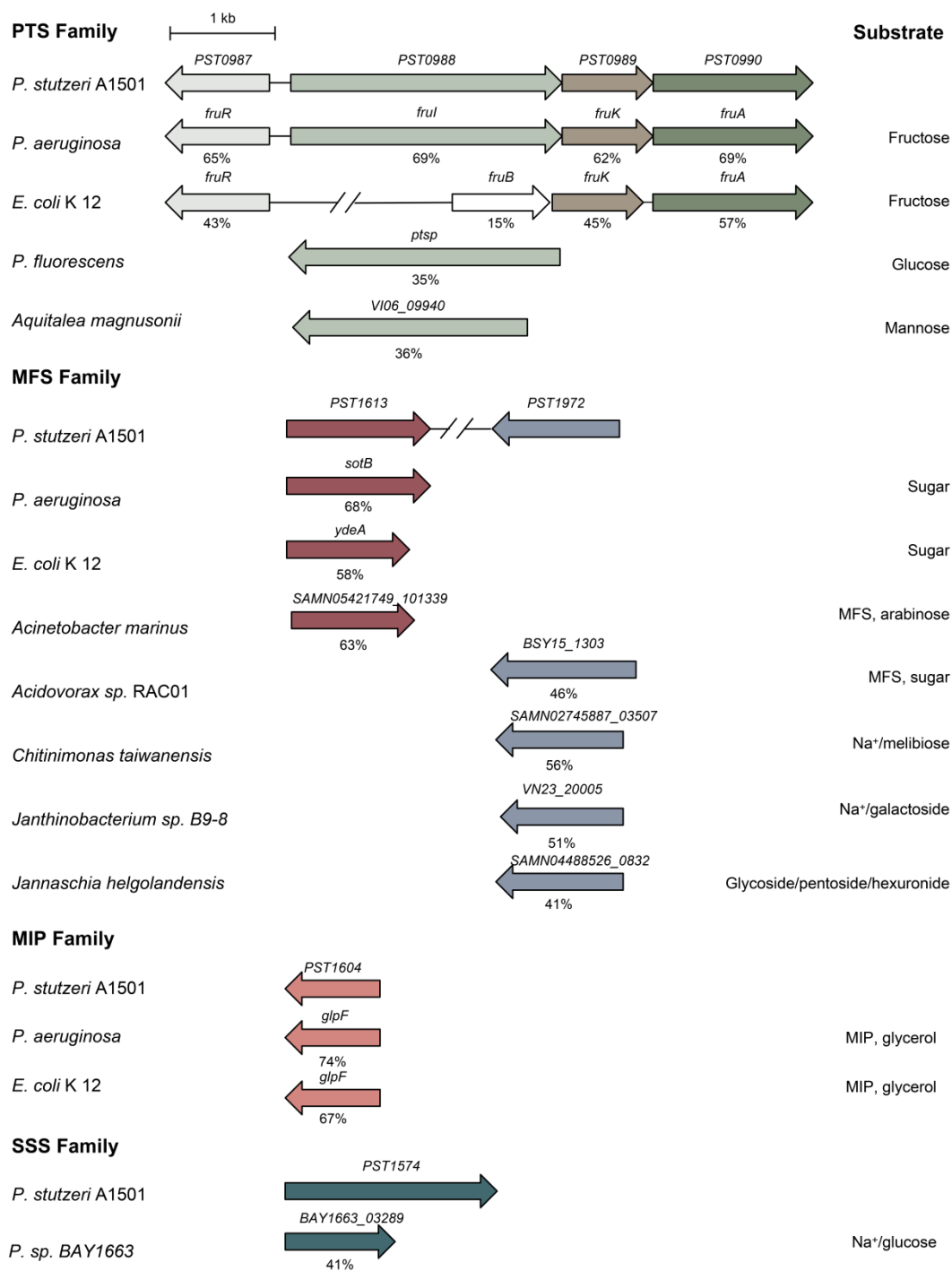


Figure S3. Protein sequence alignment of sugar transport system components of *P. stutzeri* A1501 and other microorganisms. The arrows indicate annotated genes and predicted open reading frames length and transcription orientation.

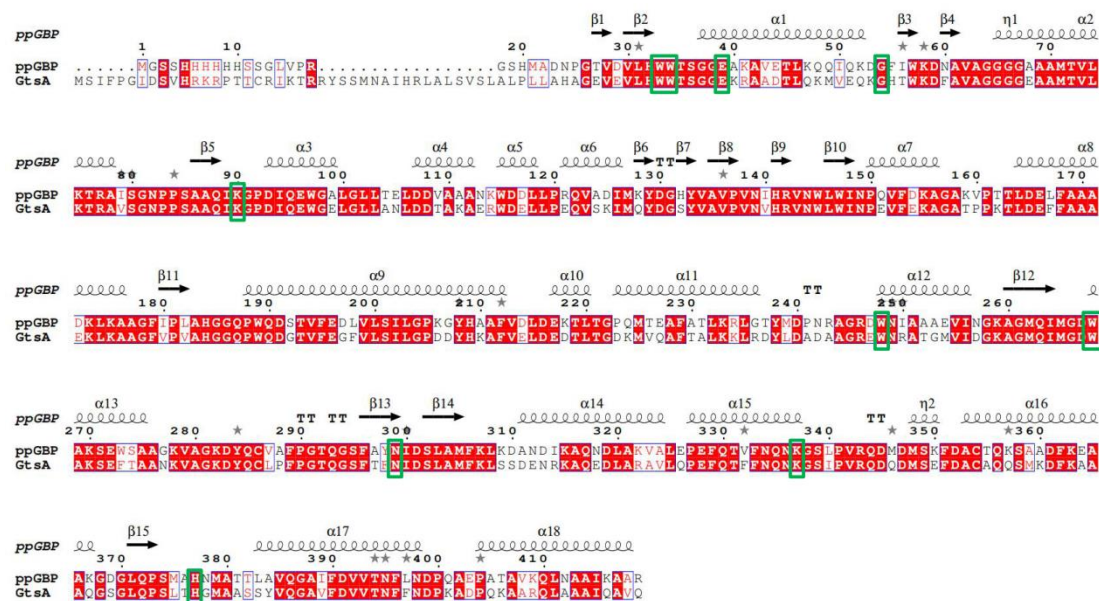


Figure S4. Amino acid sequence alignment of GtsA with ppGBP. The alignment was conducted using ClustalW and is presented along with secondary structural elements of ppGBP on the top using ESPrnt 3.0 (<http://esprnt.ibcp.fr/ESPrnt/ESPrnt/>). GtsA contains all glucose-binding residues in ppGBP (green box).