

Figure S1. Promoter region of *OmpA* in *A. baumannii* ATCC 17978 and comparison with other Gram-negative bacteria. Based on this result, the *OmpA* promoters from six gram-negative bacteria were compared through the Multi-Align Program. The six strains of bacteria were *A. baumannii* ATCC 17978(Ab), *E. coli* MG1655(Ec), *Klebsiella aerogenes* KCTC 2190(Kaer), *Klebsiella pneumoniae* HS11286(Kpn), *Shigella flexneri* str. 301(Sfl), and *Salmonella typhimurium* str. 798(Styph). The location of the TATA boxes and TSS seemed to be conserved among the six bacteria. However, the *AbOmpA* promoter, including its TATA box and TSS, exhibited an atypical sequence, while the remaining five bacterial promoter regions showed a strong similarity.



Figure S2. Schematic representation of the construction of the $\Delta A1S_0316$ mutant and its complementary strain of *A. baumannii* ATCC 17978.



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Figure S3. Qualitative assay showing biofilm formation on abiotic (glass) surface. Biofilms formed by *A. baumannii* ATCC 17978, $\Delta OmpA$ and $\Delta A1S_{0316}$ strains. Biofilms were allowed to form for 24 h at 37 °C in LB media without salt. (A) Determination of biofilm synthesis was performed using crystal violet staining. (B) Biofilm values (OD₅₇₀) were normalized by growth levels (OD₆₀₀) to compensate for differences in growth rate. Error bars represent standard deviations.

Strain or plasmid	Relevant characteristic(s)a	Reference or source
Bacterial strains		
A. baumannii		
ATCC 17978	Prototype strain	[1]
ΔA1S_0316	ATCC 17978 with ΔA1S_0316	This study
ΔOmpA	ATCC 17978 with ΔOmpA	Laboratory collection
E. coli		
SY327 λ pir	$supE44 \Delta lacU169 (\phi 80 lacZ\Delta M15) hsdR17$	
	recA1 endA1 gyrA96 thi-1 relA1 λpir (phage	Laboratory collection
	lysogen); plasmid replication	
SM10 λ pir	thi thr leu tonA lacY supE recA::RP4-2-	
	<i>Tc::Mu Km $\lambda pir \pi$</i> -requiring plasmids;	[2]
	conjugal donor	
DH5a	fhuA2 lac(del)U169 phoA glnV44 Φ 80'	Laboratory collection
	lacZ(del)M15 gyrA96 recA1 relA1 endA1	[3]
	thi-1 hsdR17	L- J
BL21 star (DE3)	<i>F</i> - ompT hsdS _B ($r_B^{-}m_B^{-}$) gal dcm rne131	Laboratory collection
	(DE3)	
Plasmids		
pOH4	pHKD01 with ompA coding region with	[4]
	<i>nptI</i> ; Km ^R	נין
pB4	derived from pET21a, HisTag-MBP, TEV	Laboratory collection
	cleavable	
pB4::A1S_0316	pB4 with A1S_0316	This study

Table S1. Bacteria Strains, plasmids used in this study

pDM4	Suicide vector; <i>ori</i> R6K sacBR, Cm ^R	
pDM4::ΔA1S_0316	pDM4 with $\Delta A1S_0316::nptI$; , Cm ^{R,} Km ^R	This study
pAra::AbH-NS	derived from pBAD, AbH-NS oriAb cloned	Laboratory collection
	from pWH1266, Tc ^R	
pWH1266	pWH1277 cloned into pBR322, Amp ^R , Tc ^R	[5]
pWH1266::A1S_0316	pWH1266 with AbCRISPR-array	This study
pSA508	Promoterless, Amp ^R	[6]
pSA508::AbOmpAp	pSA508 with AbOmpAp	This study

Order	Size (kDa)	Proteins	Locus tag
1	154.9	DNA-directed RNA polymerase subunit beta	A1S_0288
0	61.1	30S ribosomal protein S1	A1S_1572
3	37.2	RNA polymerase alpha subunit	A1S_3056
	30.7	protein chain elongation factor EF-Tu	A1S_0279
4	29.3	Putative trancscriptional regulator	A1S_0316
	24.9	minC activating cell division inhibitor a membrane ATPase	A1S_0880
	19.0	putative two-component response regulator (citB)	A1S_3304
	14.2	putative universal stress protein A (UspA)	A1S_2692
6	12.5	putative DNA binding protein	A1S_0268
6	9.3	DNA-binding protein HU-beta	A1S_1637

Table S2. Identified proteins that bind to AbOmpAp

 Table S3. Oligonucleotides used in this study.

Primers	Primer sequence $(5' \rightarrow 3')$	
A1S_0316 SpeI UF	GTT GGG CCC TGC TGA GCA AAT TGG AAA AC	
A1S 0316 UR	AAT AAG ACA TCA TGT AAA ATA ATA TTT TTG ATA ATT	
A15_0510 OK	TAA AGT TTT CTT ACA C	
A1S_0316 DF	TTA TCA AAA ATA TTA TTT TAC ATG ATG TCT TAT TCG	
	TAT CCT T	
A1S_0316 DR	CGA GGC AGA CTT ATA CAC AAT CAT TGC GGT TG	
A1S_0316 NF	TGA TTG TGT ATA AGT CTG CCT CGT GAA GAA GGT G	
A1S_0316 ApaI NR	GTT GGG CCC GAT CCG TCG ACC TGC AGG	
15 0216 Datl E	TTC CAA TGC ATT GGC TGC AGG AGC TTA TTC CTC TGA	
A13_03101501	GGG AG	
A1S_0316 EcoRI R	GGA ATT CGA AAG AAG AGA CAT CGA GAA AGC	
A1S 0316 LIC F	GGG CGG CGG TGG TGG CGG CAT GGC AAT TTC AAG TTT	
A15_0510 Lie 1	TGG C	
A1S 0316 LIC R	GTT CTT CTC CTT TGC GCC CTA GAT CTC GCC CTT TTC TGA	
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AbOmpAp EcoRI F	CCG GAA TTC AAC ACA AAA TTA AAT AAG GGT TAT CAG	
AbOmpAp PstI R	GGT CTG CAG GAT AAC AAT TGT TGT TCA AGC TCA	
AbOmpAp biotin F	CGA GTG TTA TAG TGA GCT CA	
AbOmpAp biotin R	CAG CTA ATG GAG CAG CAA CA	
AbOmpAp EMSA F	GGC AAG CGA AAC AAA GAA GTT G	
AbOmpAp EMSA R	AAT GGA GCA GCA ACA AGC ATA G	
16s rRNA-sense	GCA CAA GCG GTG GAG CAT	
16s rRNA-antisense	CGA AGG CAC CAA TCC ATC TC	
OmpA-sense	TTG CAC TTG CTA CTA TGC TTG TTG	
OmpA-antisense	TGG CTG TCT TGG AAA GTG TAA CC	

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