

Table S1. Virulence markers of diarrheagenic *Escherichia coli* (DEC) pathotypes investigated.

DEC Pathotype ^a	Diagnostic markers	References
typical EPEC	<i>eae, bfpB</i>	[1,2]
atypical EPEC	<i>eae</i>	[1]
STEC	<i>stx</i>	[3]
EAEC	<i>aggR</i> and aggregative adherence pattern	[4]
EIEC	<i>invE</i>	[2]
ETEC	<i>elt, est</i>	[5]

^a, EPEC, enteropathogenic *Escherichia coli*; STEC, Shiga-toxin producing *E. coli*; EAEC, enteroaggregative *E. coli*; EIEC, enteroinvasive *E. coli*; ETEC, enterotoxigenic *E. coli*.

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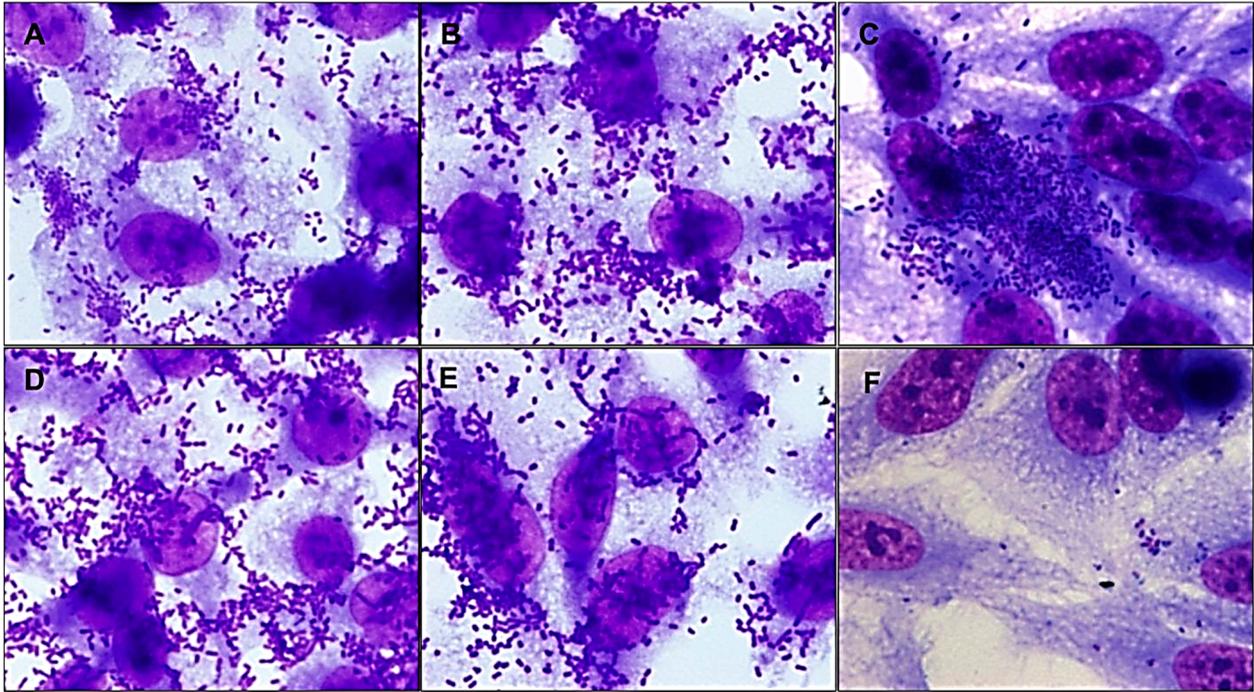


Figure S1. Adherence pattern of hybrid uropathogenic *Escherichia coli* (UPEC) strains. The adherence patterns were assessed as preconized in HeLa cells in assays with an incubation period of 3 h or 6 h, at 37 °C in the presence of 2% D-mannose, using a multiplicity of infection of 10. Preparations were stained with May-Grünwald/Giemsa and observed under a light optical microscope (1,000 x magnification). Hybrid UPEC/EAEC (enteroaggregative *E. coli*) strains are in panels **A**, **B**, **C**, **D**, and **E**, and a hybrid UPEC/aEPEC (atypical enteropathogenic *E. coli*) strain in panel **F**. All hybrid UPEC strains were adherent, and different adherence patterns were identified; the aggregative adherence pattern is observed in **C**, and the localized adherence-like pattern in **F**; strains in panels **A**, **B**, **D**, **E**, and **G** displayed a non-characteristic aggregative adherence (NC) pattern with small loose clusters and spread foci of adherent bacteria. **A**. HSP 60; **B**. HSP 93; **C**. HSP 199; **D**. HSP 215; **E**. HSP 425; **F**. HSP 446. The controls (not shown) were the same as those displayed in Figure 2 of the manuscript.

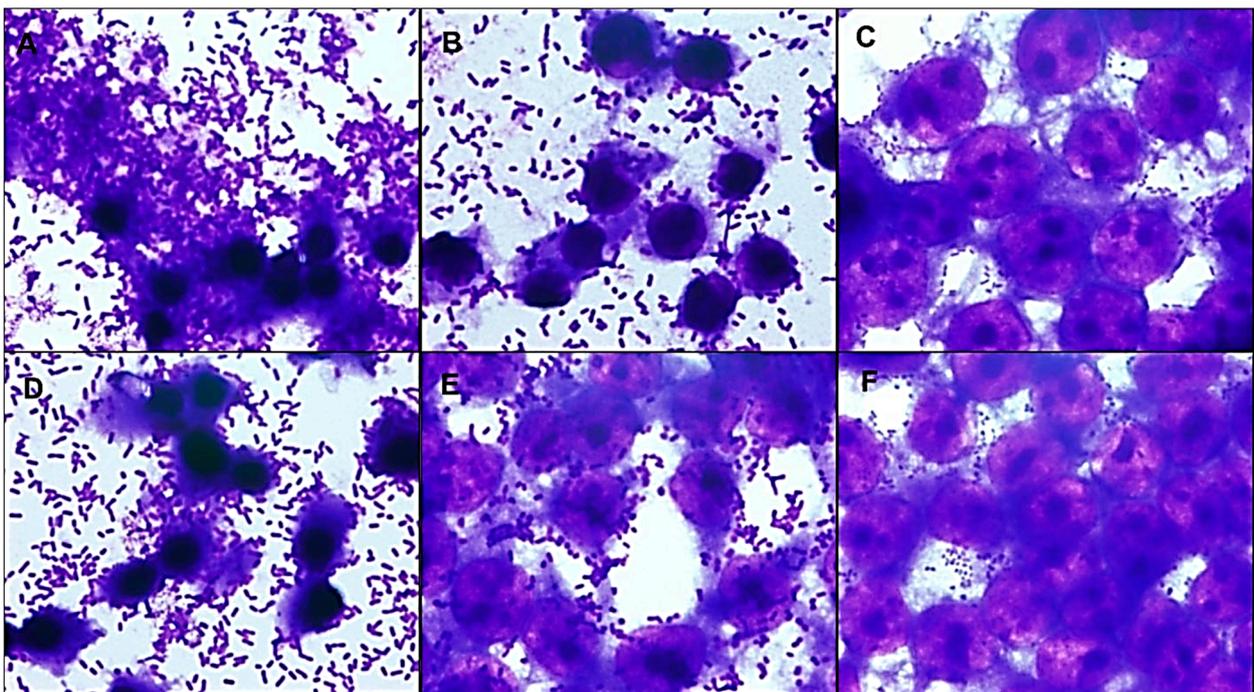


Figure S2. Interaction with a renal origin cell-lineage. The hybrid uropathogenic *Escherichia coli* (UPEC) strains'

capacity to interact with human renal cells was assessed using HEK 293T cells in assays with an incubation period of 3 h, at 37 °C without D-mannose, using a multiplicity of infection of 10. Preparations were stained with May-Grünwald/Giemsa and observed under a light optical microscope (1,000 x magnification). Hybrid UPEC/EAEC (enteroaggregative *E. coli*) strains are in panels **A**, **B**, **C**, **D**, and **E**, and a hybrid UPEC/aEPEC (atypical enteropathogenic *E. coli*) strain in panel **F**. All hybrid UPEC strains were capable of interacting with renal cells in diverse intensity; in panels **A**, **B**, and **D**, the HEK 293T cell monolayer was partially detached, and pyknotic nuclei are observed in the remaining cells. **A**. HSP 60; **B**. HSP 93; **C**. HSP 199; **D**. HSP 215; **E**. HSP 425; **F**. HSP 446. The controls (not shown) were the same as those displayed in Figure 3 of the manuscript.