

**Table S1.** Primers used in this study. Restriction enzymes used for cloning are shown in brackets.

Primers	Sequence (5'-3')	Use
5BamHIREG1UPf	CATACGGATCCTCGAGCTTGCGGAAATAGGG	<i>EGO55_13520</i> deletion (amplification of upstream region) ( <i>Bam</i> HI/ <i>Sall</i> )
3SallIREG1UPr	CACAGTCGACATGGGTTAGGCAGGGCATC	
5SallIREG1DOWNf	CACAGTCGACTTGTGATGGTGCGCGTGATC	<i>EGO55_13520</i> deletion (amplification of upstream region) ( <i>Sall</i> / <i>Hind</i> III)
3HindIIREG1DOWNr	ACATAAGCTTCCGAAGTATGCACCTGCTGA	
F24	CGCCAGGGTTTTCCCAGTCACGAC	Internal primer: used to check insert cloning in pK18mobsacB and to check insertion of pK18mobsacB
R24	AGCGGATAACAATTTACACAGGA	
extREGf	TCGATAAAGGCCTTGCGCAA	External primer. Together with F24 used to check insertion of pK18edcR. Together with extREGr used to check <i>EGO55_13520</i> deletion
extREGr	TGATCCTCAACCGTGTTCCG	External primer. Together with R24 used to check insertion of pK18edcR. Together with extREGf used to check <i>EGO55_13520</i> deletion
T0pSEVA237F	CCGAGCGTTCTGAACAAATCC	Internal primer: Together with R24, used to check insert cloning in pSEVA237 <i>PlexA</i> . Hybridizes in T0 terminator
3SEQIntRegGFP	ACATTTAATTAACTCCAGTGAAAAGTTCTTCTCCT	Internal primer: Together with R24, used to check insert cloning in pSEVA237 <i>PlexA</i> . Hybridizes in <i>gfp</i> gene
5BamHICOMPReg2f	ATACGGATCCAGGAGGAAACATTTGGCGAATGAACTGAAGGCTG	Cloning <i>EGO55_13520</i> into pSEVA237 <i>PlexA</i> ( <i>Bam</i> HI/ <i>Spe</i> I)
3SpeIOMPReg2r	CACATACTAGTTCAGGCCGCGCTGGAA	
5EcoRIStopIntRegF	ACATGAATTCCTAGGCAGCACCATCCGCC	Cloning <i>P<sub>a</sub></i> promoter into pSEVA237 <i>PlexA</i> ( <i>Eco</i> RI/ <i>Sall</i> )
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5EcoRIStopIntReg1f	ATATCGAATTCCTAATCGTCGTAGATGGCGGAAAC	Cloning <i>P<sub>b</sub></i> promoter into pSEVA237 <i>PlexA</i> ( <i>Eco</i> RI/ <i>Sall</i> )
3SallIntReg1r	ACATGTCGACAAAAACGCACTTTGATACATTGGT	
5PacI <i>PlexA</i> tetRT0f	ACATTTAATTAAAGCGGATAACAATTTACACACAG	Cloning <i>EGO55_13520</i> gen together with <i>P<sub>lexA</sub></i> promoter form pSEVA23edcR into pSEVA651 ( <i>Pac</i> I/ <i>Spe</i> I)
3SpeIOMPReg2r	CACATACTAGTTCAGGCCGCGCTGGAA	
5RTRecAf	CGATCGACGTGCTGGTGATC	RT-PCR, <i>EGO55_01665</i> ( <i>recA</i> ) amplification
3RTRecAr	TGCGGACCTGGTTGATGAAA	
5RTCoASynf	CCTGCTTCTGGCTGACGATG	RT-PCR, <i>EGO55_13555</i> amplification
3RTCoASynr	TGTCGACGATTTCTCTGCA	
5RTTonBf	ACTCGTCCGATACCGTTTCG	RT-PCR, <i>EGO55_13600</i> ( <i>edcT</i> ) amplification
3RTTonBr	TGTGTTGCGACCATAGAGCG	
5RTDioxf	CGCTATCTTGGGCTGGAGG	RT-PCR, <i>EGO55_13570</i> ( <i>edcB</i> ) amplification
3RTDioxr	CGATATCCGGTCGTCACCAG	

**Figure S1.** Nucleotide sequence of pSEVA237MPb. Hybridization sequences of oligonucleotides used to clone *P<sub>b</sub>* into pSEV237 backbone are underlined. Scars left after ligation of *P<sub>b</sub>* promoter fragment into pSEVA237M-BCD2 backbone are shown in bold. The synthetic bicistronic RBS, BCD2, is shown in italics.

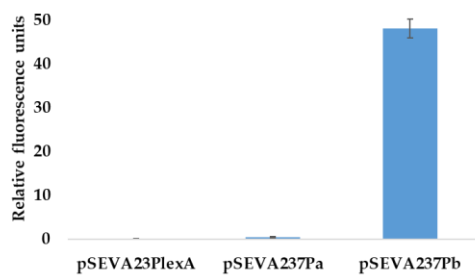
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**Figure S2.** Nucleotide sequence of pSEVA237*Pa*. Hybridation sequences of oligonucleotides used to clone *P<sub>a</sub>* into pSEVA237 backbone are underlined and restriction enzyme sites are shown in bold.

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**Figure S3.** Nucleotide sequence of pSEVA237*Pb*. Hybridization sequences of oligonucleotides used to clone *P<sub>b</sub>* into pSEV237 backbone are underlined and restriction enzyme sites are shown in bold.

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**Figure S4.** Fluorescence intensity of the *E. coli* DH10B (pSEVA23*PlexA*) as control, *E. coli* DH10B (pSEVA237*Pa*) and *E. coli* DH10B (pSEVA237*Pb*) strains carrying the transcriptional fusions of the  $P_a$ ,  $P_b$  and  $P_i$  promoter regions, respectively. The values correspond to the mean of three independent biological replicas (n=3) and error bars correspond to SD.