

## **Patterns of Large-Scale Genomic Variation in Virulent and Avirulent *Burkholderia* Species**

### **Supplementary Information**

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**Supplementary Data S1: Prediction of *B. pseudomallei* Genes (ORFs) and Microarray Fabrication (Expanded)**

The ORF prediction program GLIMMER (v2.0) was used to identify potential ORFs in partially assembled sequence data of *B. pseudomallei* strain K96243 (downloaded from the Sanger Centre in March 2001). Using a minimal gene length of 400 bp, 8776 putative ORFs were initially identified. A preliminary analysis revealed that many of these ORFs were overlapping and redundant, and thus the individual ORFs were consequently grouped into distinct homology ‘clusters’ by reiteratively BLASTing each ORF against all others. 6895 unique ORF ‘clusters’ were defined, where each ‘cluster’ contained 1-3 members of similar directionality and sequence. For each cluster, a representative sequence (“RS”) (usually the longest) was chosen, and Primer 3 software was used to design oligonucleotide primer pairs to amplify 300bp-1000bp fragments for each RS. To minimize the possibility of cross-hybridization to related genomic sequences, each amplified fragment was cross-checked for uniqueness for BLASTing its sequence against the entire ORF dataset. Potentially cross-hybridizing sequences were rejected and new sequences were selected in their place.

To compare the results of ORF prediction using partially assembled (PA) and fully assembled (FA) sequences, a new round of ORF prediction was performed using a larger training set (40 sequences in FA vs. 30 in PA) and the fully assembled *B. pseudomallei* genome sequence, resulting in the identification of 8412 putative ORFs. To compare the results from the two prediction runs (PA vs. FA) the 6895 RS’s from the PA prediction were tiled against the completed genome to determine the specific chromosomal localization of each sequence. The FA ORF dataset was then queried to determine if it contained an entity at a similar chromosomal location. Approximately 80.5% of the PA set (5553 out of 6895) was mappable to the new FA set (within a tolerance of +/- 100bp). Of the remaining 1322 MC sequences, an additional 756 (11%) could be

matched to a member in the FA dataset of at least 50 % sequence similarity. Finally, a reciprocal analysis was performed where the FA ORFs were BLASTed against the 6895 PA ORFs. Using this analysis, only 110 ORFs from the FA ORF dataset failed to be convincingly assigned to a partner entity in the PA ORF dataset (P.T., data not shown).

### **Microarray Fabrication**

Genomic DNA from *B. pseudomallei* strain K96243 was used as a template to PCR amplify array probes, and amplification success was visually assessed using 1.2% agarose gel electrophoresis where each reaction was scored for the presence of a band of the expected size. After PCR purification and resuspension, each array probe was printed in duplicate on commercially available microarray slides (Full Moon Biosystems, USA) using an SDDC-2 Microarrayer (Virtek, USA). As a negative control, DNA primers for the *hila* gene, encoding the pathogenicity island specific for *Salmonella paratyphi* (gift from Jimmy Loh and Lim Bock, DMRI) were also included on the array.

**Supplementary Data S2: Distribution of Array Probes Across the *B. pseudomallei* Genome**

Figure S2a) Frequency of Array Probe Density. The *B. pseudomallei* genome sequence was divided into a series of sequential 10 kb fragments, and the number of array probes/10 kb fragment was plotted as a frequency graph.

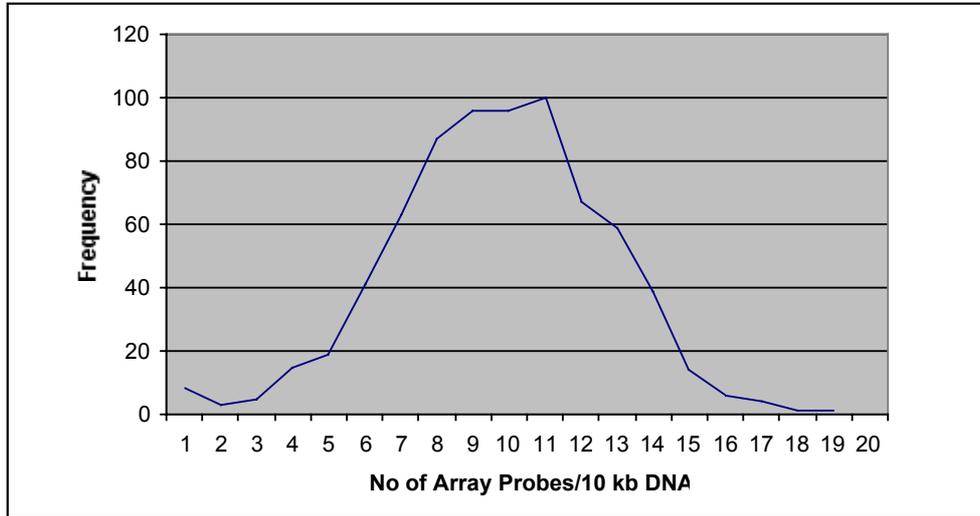
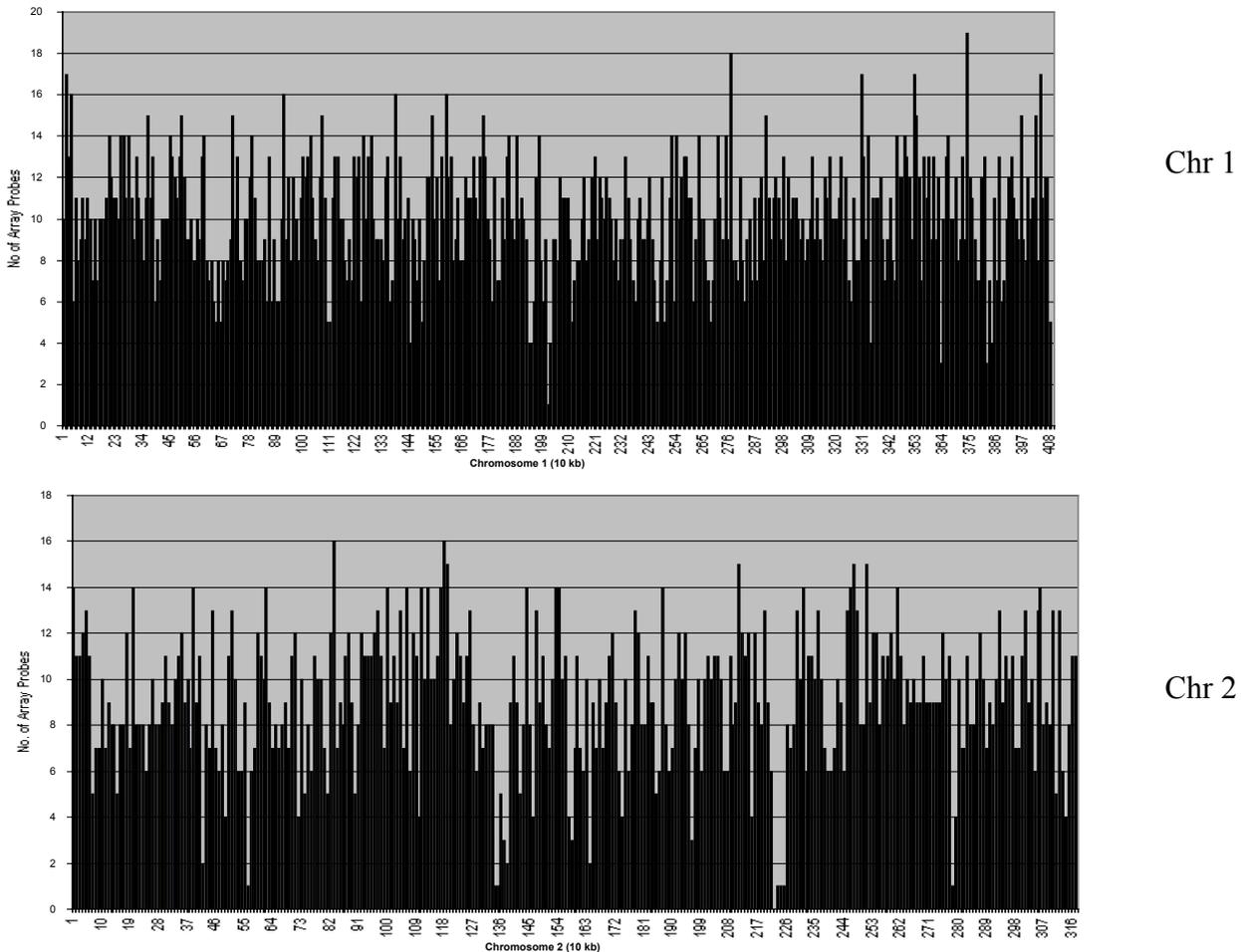


Figure S2b) Array Probe Coverage Along Chromosome 1 and 2. Individual array probes were 'tiled' against the *B. pseudomallei* chromosome 1 (top) and chromosome 2 (bottom) sequences.



**Supplementary Data S3: Comparison Between Successful and Failed PCR Reactions**

Figure S3a) Frequency of Failed PCR Amplification Reactions Categorized by Predicted PCR Product (pdt) Size

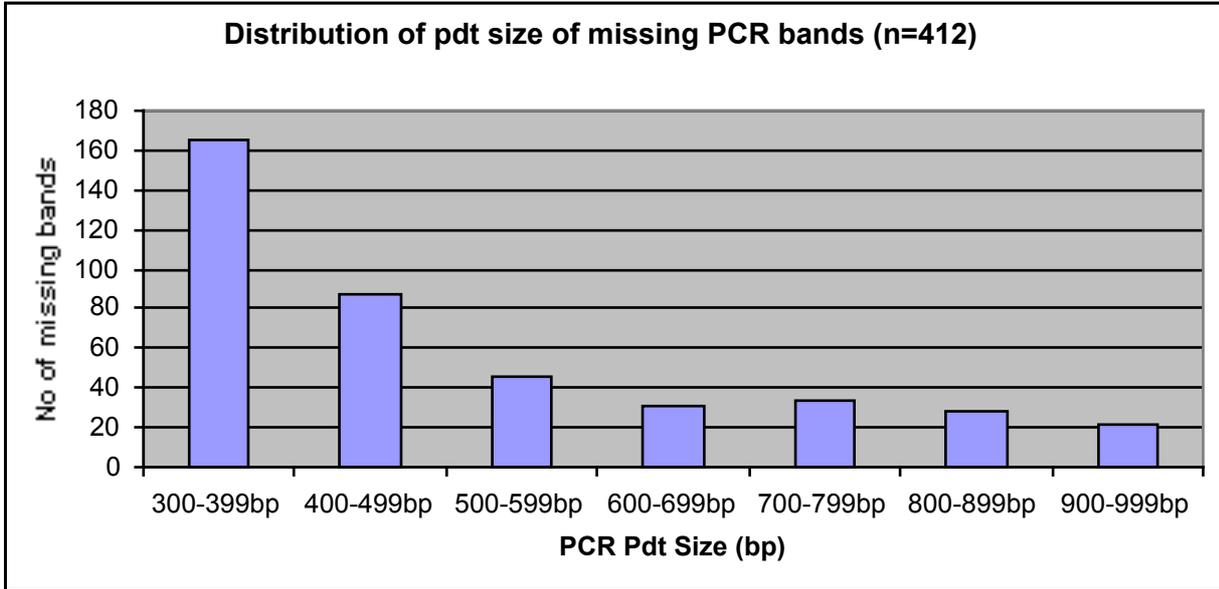
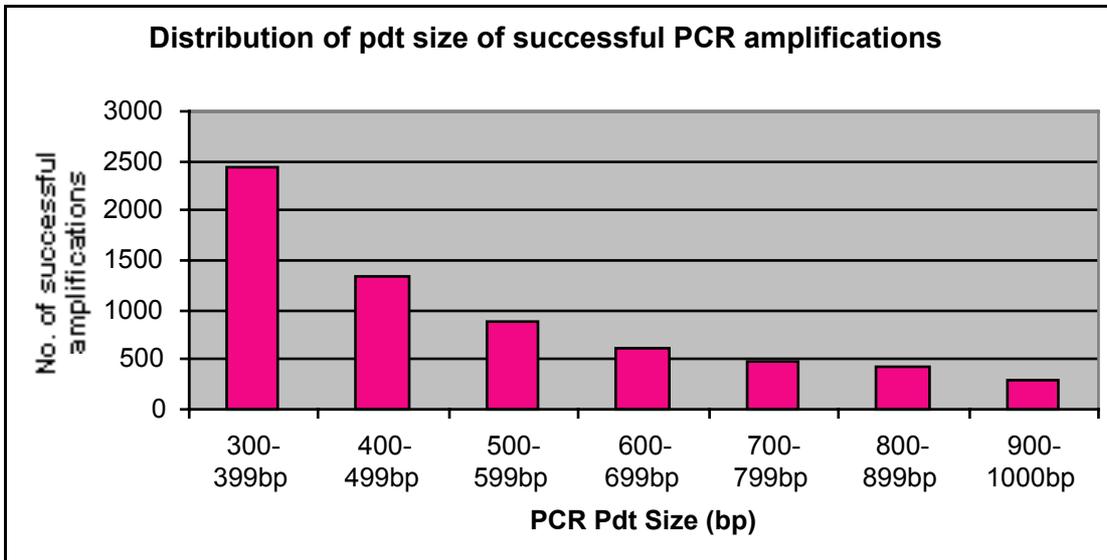


Figure S3b) Frequency of Successful PCR Amplification Reactions Categorized by Predicted PCR Product (pdt) Size



**Supplementary Data S4: Comparison of ORF-wise standard deviation among the 3 *Burkholderia* species**

<b>Basic stats</b>	<b><i>B. pseudomallei</i></b>	<b><i>B. mallei</i></b>	<b><i>B. thailandensis</i></b>
average	0.156	0.102	0.149
median	0.118	0.069	0.117
mod range	0.0875~0.1	0.0125~0.025	0.0875~0.1

ORF(row)-wise standard deviations were calculated for each ORF, *for each individual species*, then summarised in terms of statistics (average, median and mod). Based on the average and median, the ORF-wise standard deviation can be shown to be generally higher for *B. pseudomallei* compared to the other 2 species, indicating that the fluorescence ratio cut-off threshold of 0.6 used in the manuscript can also be applied to *B. mallei* and *B. thailandensis*. Using 0.6 as a threshold value, in fact, is a stricter form of filtering out false positives for amplification and deletion in *B. thailandensis* and *B. mallei*.

### **Supplementary Data S5: Verification of Amplified ORFs by Quantitative Real-time PCR**

To address the issue of ‘amplified’ ORFs, quantitative real-time PCR experiments were performed to verify the results obtained from the microarray experiments.

Microarray data associated with two ‘amplified’ ORFs are shown in Table S5. Microarray experiments revealed ORF 3026602 to be amplified in *B. mallei* at 99.99% but absent in *B. thailandensis* at the confidence threshold; while ORF 3041002 was amplified in both *B. mallei* and *B. thailandensis*, at 99.99% and 99.95% confidence threshold respectively (Table S5).

<b>NCCID</b>	<b>Annotation</b>	<b>Accession No.</b>	<b>Mean in <i>B. pm</i></b>	<b>Mean in <i>B. m</i></b>	<b>Mean in <i>B. thai.</i></b>	<b>Remarks</b>
3026602	TnpB [ <i>Burkholderia mallei</i> ]	gb AAN64700.1	0.24809	4.109215	-3.8448	Amplified in <i>B. mallei</i> at 99.99%; absent in <i>B. thailandensis</i> at 99.99%
3041002	Transposase [ <i>Burkholderia mallei</i> ]	gb AAG02082.1	-0.11280	1.79559	1.53525	Amplified in <i>B. mallei</i> at 99.99%; amplified in <i>B. thailandensis</i> at 99.95%

Table S5a : ‘Amplified’ ORFs used in quantitative real-time PCR verification.

Quantitative real-time PCR was carried out in an I-Cycler (BioRad) with the same PCR conditions used for the PCR amplification of array probes except for the additional of fluorescent SYBR<sup>®</sup> Green dye. Figures S4a and S4b show the results obtained for ORF 3026602 and ORF 3041002 respectively.

Fig S5a. Real time PCR amplification with ORF NCCID 3026602.

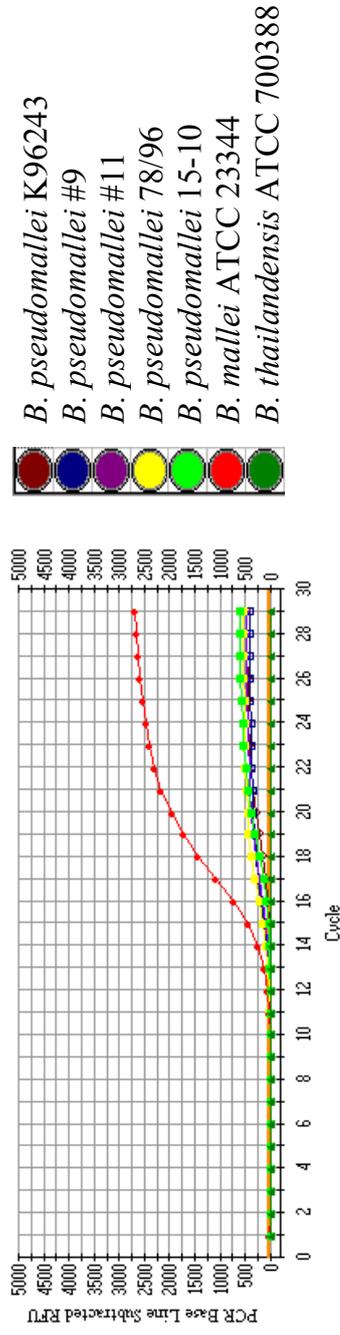


Fig S5b. Real time PCR amplification with ORF NCCID 3041002.

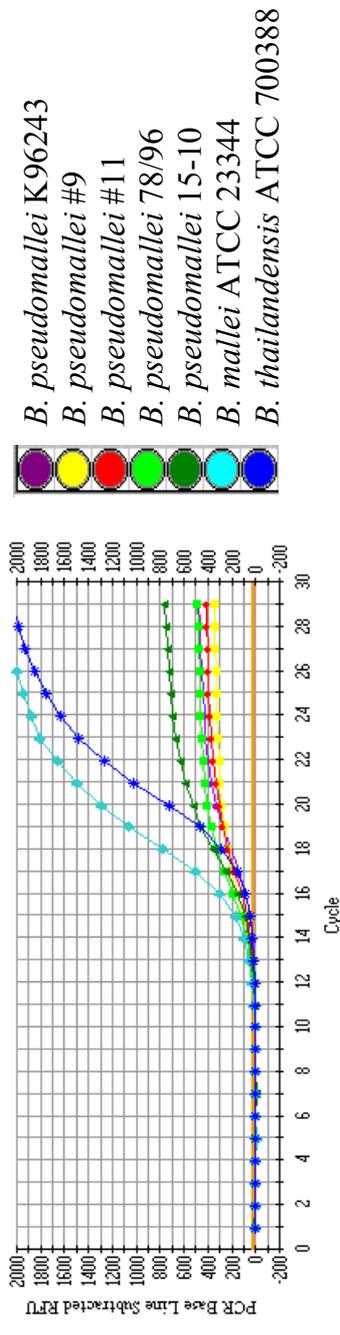


Table S5b : Cross-over values of *B. pseudomallei*, *B. mallei* and *B. thailandensis*.

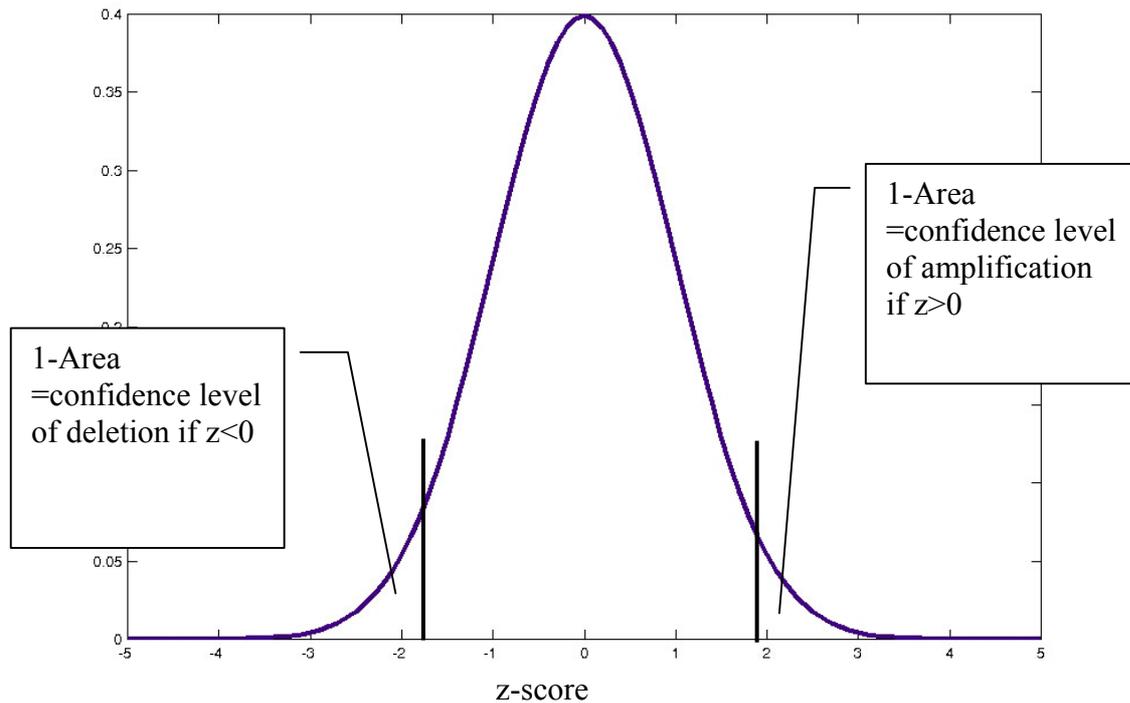
NCCID	Cross-over values (cycles)						
	<i>B. pseudomallei</i> K96243 (ref)	<i>B. pseudomallei</i> #9	<i>B. pseudomallei</i> #11	<i>B. pseudomallei</i> 78/96	<i>B. pseudomallei</i> 15-10	<i>B. mallei</i> ATCC 23344	<i>B. thailandensis</i> ATCC 700388
3026602	14.6	11.6	12.4	11.5	14.1	10.9	0.0
3041002	13.7	12.3	12.8	12.0	12.4	11.5	13.2

Real-time PCR of the 'amplified' ORFs was performed at least twice to verify the results. The results obtained from both microarray experiment and quantitative real-time PCR show that these ORFs are present in multiple copies in the *B. mallei* genome.

### Supplementary Data S6: Intensity-Dependent z-scores Analysis

We have also analysed the microarray data set using the intensity-dependent z-scores methodology. A z-score was calculated for each hybridization value by subtracting the row-wise (ORF-wise) average, and dividing by the row-wise standard deviation. The area under the Gaussian distribution curve between the smallest (largest) Z-value to each negative (positive) z-score was calculated, as shown in Figure S5. For this analysis, we have focused on deletions.

Figure S6: Calculation of confidence level with z-scores analysis



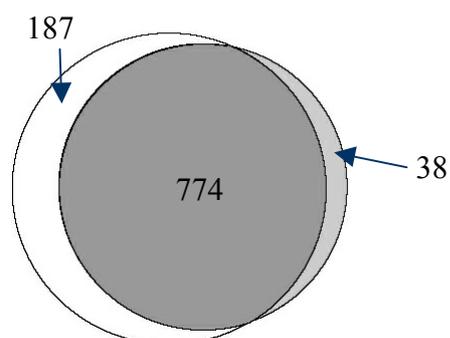
### Supplementary Data S7: Comparison of t-test and z-scores Analysis

Table S7: Analysis of Flanking Probe Deletions at >95% and >99.99% confidence levels for *B. mallei* and *B. thailandensis*, compared to *B. pseudomallei*, using z-scores as measure of confidence level (cf Table 2 in Main text)

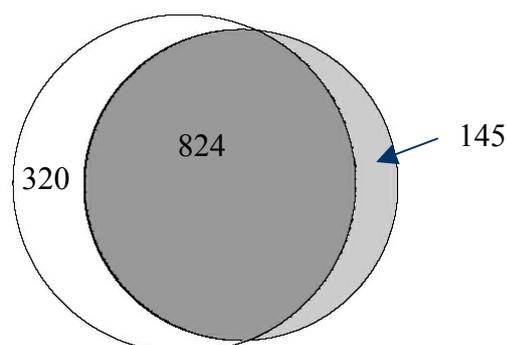
Species	Coverage (% Confidence)	No. of Probes	Probability (%) of Flanking Deletions		
			Two Sides	One Side	Isolated
<i>B. mallei</i>	Whole Genome (>95%)	1105	74.84	18.28	6.88
	Whole Genome (>99.99%)	961	79.81	17.27	2.91
	Chr 1 (>95%)	356	65.17	23.60	11.24
	Chr 1 (>99.99%)	302	70.53	24.17	5.30
	Chr 2 (>95%)	749	79.44	15.75	4.81
	Chr 2 (>99.99%)	659	84.07	14.11	1.82
<i>B. thailandensis</i>	Whole Genome (>95%)	1563	41.59	34.17	24.25
	Whole Genome (>99.99%)	1144	51.22	33.04	15.73
	Chr 1 (>95%)	654	36.09	33.03	30.89
	Chr 1 (>99.99%)	461	46.20	32.10	21.69
	Chr 2 (>95%)	909	45.54	34.98	19.47
	Chr 2 (>99.99%)	683	54.61	33.67	11.71

Figure S7: Venn Diagrams of ORFs found to be deleted at 95% and above confidence level using the Student's t-test (lightly shaded areas), and overlap (darker shade) with ORFs found to be deleted at 99.99% and above confidence level using the z-scores method (unshaded areas).

*B. mallei*



*B. thailandensis*



**Supplementary Data S8a: Reiterative Analysis of Flanking Probe Deletions (Detailed Analysis Using t-test as a Measure of Confidence)**

*B. mallei* (Overall)

deletion at	>99.99%	>99.9%	>99%	>95% (ALL DELETION)	≤95% (NON DELETION)	ALL ORFs
both sides	59.01	58.43	58.47	59.24	1.45	8.25
one sided	33.72	33.95	33.22	32.51	3.65	7.05
none	7.27	7.62	8.31	8.25	94.90	84.69
No. of deletions (accumulated)	344	433	602	812		

*B. thailandensis* (Overall)

deletion at	>99.99%	>99.9%	>99%	>95% (ALL DELETION)	≤95% (NON DELETION)	ALL ORFs
both sides	49.01	45.90	42.43	41.49	1.50	7.12
one sided	33.22	34.43	35.28	35.09	10.40	13.87
none	17.76	19.67	22.29	23.43	88.10	79.01
No. of deletions (accumulated)	304	488	839	969		

*B. mallei* Against *B. pseudomallei* Chr 1

deletion at	>99.99%	>99.9%	>99%	>95% (ALL DELETION)	≤95% (NON DELETION)	ALL ORFs
both sides	45.28	45.38	46.77	48.78	0.84	3.74
one sided	42.45	43.08	41.40	37.40	2.51	4.62
none	12.26	11.54	11.83	13.82	96.65	91.64
No. of deletions (accumulated)	106	130	186	246		

*B. mallei* Against *B. pseudomallei* Chr 2

deletion at	>99.99%	>99.9%	>99%	>95% (ALL DELETION)	≤95% (NON DELETION)	ALL ORFs
both sides	65.13	64.03	63.70	63.78	2.48	14.75
one sided	29.83	30.03	29.57	30.39	5.57	10.54
none	5.04	5.94	6.73	5.83	91.95	74.71
No. of deletions (accumulated)	238	303	416	566		

*B. thailandensis* Against *B. pseudomallei* Chr 1

deletion at	>99.99%	>99.9%	>99%	>95% (ALL DELETION)	≤95% (NON DELETION)	ALL ORFs
both sides	46.79	45.56	42.37	41.84	0.84	4.67
one sided	32.11	32.78	30.53	30.53	7.16	9.35
none	21.10	21.67	27.10	27.63	92.00	85.98
No. of deletions (accumulated)	109	180	321	380		

*B. thailandensis* Against *B. pseudomallei* Chr 2

deletion at	>99.99%	>99.9%	>99%	>95% (ALL DELETION)	≤95% (NON DELETION)	ALL ORFs
both sides	50.26	46.10	42.47	41.26	2.59	10.64
one sided	33.85	35.39	38.22	38.03	15.68	20.33
none	15.90	18.51	19.31	20.71	81.73	69.02
No. of deletions (accumulated)	195	308	518	589		

There is no statistically significant difference in the flanking probabilities across the different confidence intervals ( $p > 0.05$  for all pairwise comparisons). Flanking probabilities from the last range (>95%) were taken as representative of the 4 ranges in the main text.

**Supplementary Data S8b: Reiterative Analysis of Flanking Probe Deletions (Detailed Analysis using z-scores as measure of confidence)**

***B. mallei* (Overall)**

deletion at	>99.99%	>99.9%	>99%	>95% (ALL DELETION)	≤95% (NON DELETION)	ALL ORFs
both sides	79.81	78.74	76.96	74.84	0.95	12.80
one sided	17.27	17.56	18.07	18.28	4.22	6.47
none	2.91	3.69	4.97	6.88	94.83	80.73
No. of deletions (accumulated)	961	1002	1046	1105		

***B. thailandensis* (Overall)**

deletion at	>99.99%	>99.9%	>99%	>95% (ALL DELETION)	≤95% (NON DELETION)	ALL ORFs
both sides	51.22	48.74	45.02	41.59	2.53	11.39
one sided	33.04	33.82	34.48	34.17	19.17	22.57
none	15.73	17.44	20.50	24.25	78.30	66.04
No. of deletions (accumulated)	1144	1233	1395	1563		

***B. mallei* Against *B. pseudomallei* Chr 1**

deletion at	>99.99%	>99.9%	>99%	>95% (ALL DELETION)	≤95% (NON DELETION)	ALL ORFs
both sides	70.53	69.62	67.27	65.17	0.49	6.15
one sided	24.17	24.05	24.62	23.60	3.45	5.21
none	5.30	6.33	8.11	11.24	96.06	88.64
No. of deletions (accumulated)	302	316	333	356		

***B. mallei* Against *B. pseudomallei* Chr 2**

deletion at	>99.99%	>99.9%	>99%	>95% (ALL DELETION)	≤95% (NON DELETION)	ALL ORFs
both sides	84.07	82.94	81.49	79.44	1.78	22.36
one sided	14.11	14.58	15.01	15.75	5.58	8.28
none	1.82	2.48	3.51	4.81	92.64	69.37
No. of deletions (accumulated)	659	686	713	749		

***B. thailandensis* Against *B. pseudomallei* Chr 1**

deletion at	>99.99%	>99.9%	>99%	>95% (ALL DELETION)	≤95% (NON DELETION)	ALL ORFs
both sides	46.20	43.54	40.25	36.09	1.79	7.30
one sided	32.10	33.00	33.04	33.03	14.60	17.56
none	21.69	23.46	26.71	30.89	83.62	75.14
No. of deletions (accumulated)	461	503	569	654		

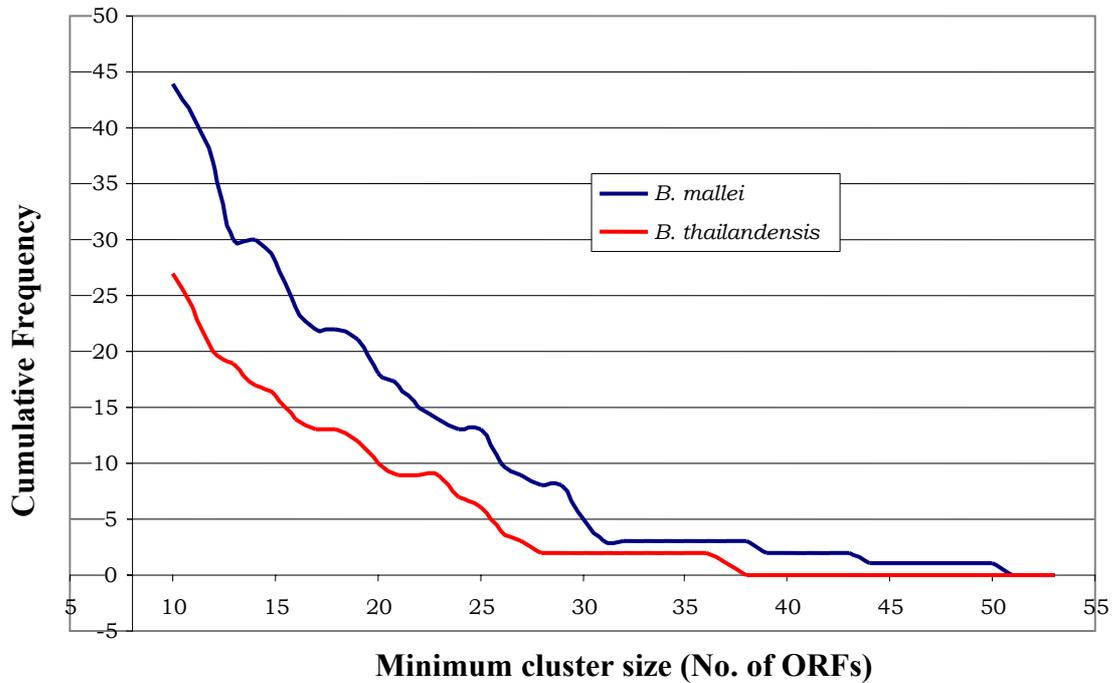
***B. thailandensis* Against *B. pseudomallei* Chr 2**

deletion at	>99.99%	>99.9%	>99%	>95% (ALL DELETION)	≤95% (NON DELETION)	ALL ORFs
both sides	54.61	52.33	48.31	45.54	3.86	17.26
one sided	33.67	34.38	35.47	34.98	27.25	29.74
none	11.71	13.29	16.22	19.47	68.89	53.01
No. of deletions (accumulated)	683	730	826	909		

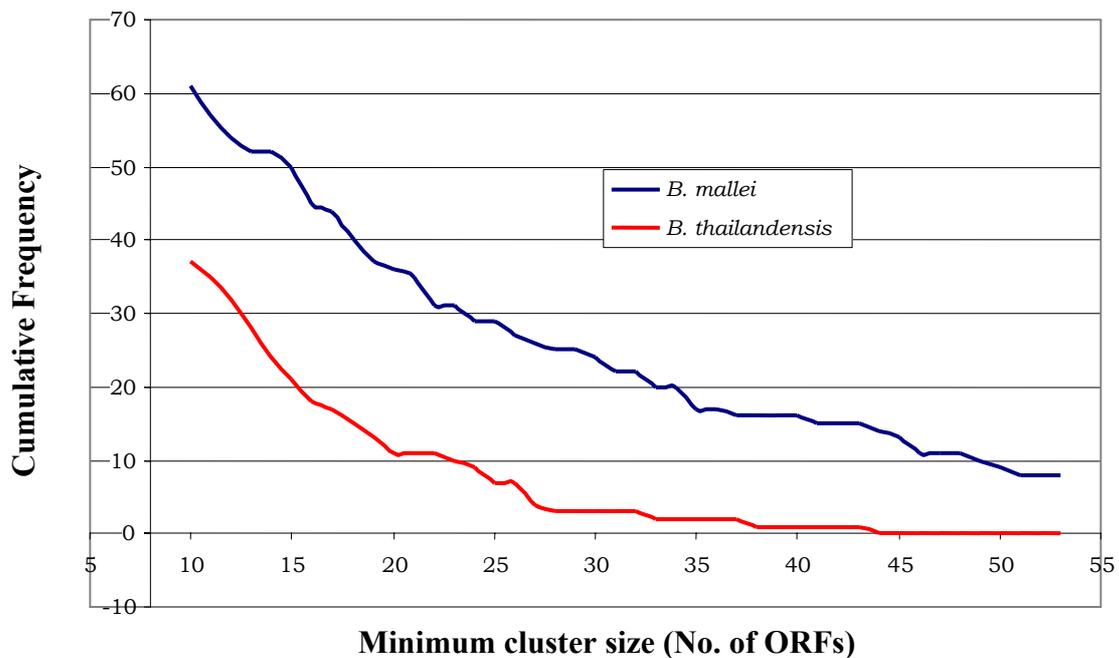
There is no statistically significant difference in the flanking probabilities across the different confidence intervals ( $p > 0.05$  for all pair-wise comparisons). Flanking probabilities from the last range (>95%) were taken as representative of the 4 ranges in the main text.

**Supplementary Data S9: Distribution of Deleted ORF Cluster Sizes (using t-test or z-scores, cut-off at  $\geq 95\%$  level)**

The Y-coordinates of the plot represent the number of clusters whose sizes are equal to or larger than the values of corresponding X-coordinates (ORF density is taken as a measure of genomic cluster size). Deleted clusters in *B. mallei* are larger than clusters in *B. thailandensis*. Figures 9a represents ORFs identified as deleted by t-test, and Figure 9b by z-scores.



**Figure S9a: Frequency Graph of Deleted Clusters by Cluster Size (t-test)**



**Figure S9b: Frequency Graph of Deleted Clusters by Cluster Size (z-scores)**

**Supplementary Data S10a: Statistical Analysis of Flanking ORF Deletions in *B. mallei* and *B. thailandensis* (using t-test as measure of confidence)**

A chi-square analysis was performed to compare the patterns of ORF deletion in *B. mallei* and *B. thailandensis*. (Bm = *B. mallei*, Bt = *B. thailandensis*, 2s = Deleted ORFs flanking both sides, 1s = Deleted ORFs flanking one side, none = no flanking deleted ORF). The 95% confidence level was used as a cut-off criterion to define a ‘deleted’ ORF.

**Observed**

>95%	Bm	Bt	
2s	481	402	883
1s	264	340	604
none	67	227	294
tot	812	969	1781

**Expected**

2s	402.58	480.42	883
1s	275.38	328.62	604
none	134.04	159.96	294
tot	812	969	1781

Chi-square

Pvalue 2.15E-20

An Odds-Ratio Calculation was performed to determine the likelihood that a deleted ORF in *B. mallei* would be flanked on both sides by other deleted ORFs (i.e. would belong to a deleted ORF cluster), as compared to *B. thailandensis*.

	ODDS RATIO	
	Bm	Bt
2s	481	402
not 2s	331	567
P(2s)	0.59	0.41
P(not 2s)	0.41	0.59
P(2s)/P(not 2s)	1.45	0.71

An Odds ratio metric of P(2s)/P(not 2s) was obtained for both species

A deleted Bm ORF is **2.05** times more likely to have 2s flanking (Bm/Bt)

**Supplementary Data S10b: Statistical Analysis of Flanking ORF Deletions in *B. mallei* and *B. thailandensis* (using z-scores as measure of confidence)**

A chi-square analysis was performed to compare the patterns of ORF deletion in *B. mallei* and *B. thailandensis*. (Bm = *B. mallei*, Bt = *B. thailandensis*, 2s = Deleted ORFs flanking both sides, 1s = Deleted ORFs flanking one side, none = no flanking deleted ORF). The 99.99% confidence level was used as a cut-off criterion to define a ‘deleted’ ORF.

**Observed**

>99.99%	Bm	Bt	
2s	767	586	1353
1s	166	378	544
none	28	180	208
tot	961	1144	2105

**Expected**

2s	617.69	735.31	1353
1s	248.35	295.65	544
none	94.96	113.04	208
tot	961	1144	2105

Chi-square

Pvalue 6.35E-45

An Odds-Ratio Calculation was performed to determine the likelihood that a deleted ORF in *B. mallei* would be flanked on both sides by other deleted ORFs (i.e. would belong to a deleted ORF cluster), as compared to *B. thailandensis*.

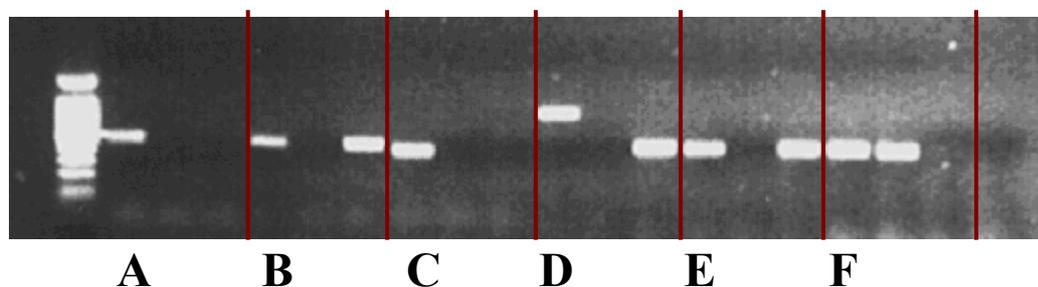
	ODDS RATIO	
	Bm	Bt
2s	767	586
not 2s	194	558
P(2s)	0.80	0.51
P(not 2s)	0.20	0.49
P(2s)/P(not 2s)	3.95	1.05

An Odds ratio metric of P(2s)/P(not 2s) was obtained for both species

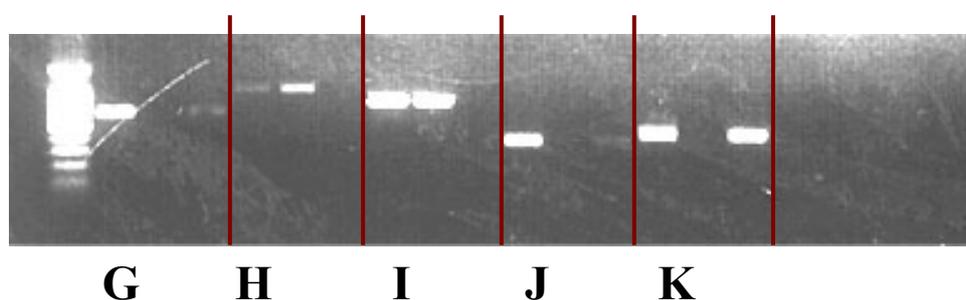
A deleted Bm ORF is **3.76** times more likely to have 2s flanking (Bm/Bt)

## Supplementary Data S11: Experimental Validation of Other Deleted ORFs

**Figure S11:** PCR amplification reactions were performed using ORF Primer Pairs on three different species of *Burkholderia*. Results are presented in the following arrangement : First lane- *Burkholderia pseudomallei*, Second Lane - *Burkholderia mallei*, Third lane : *Burkholderia thailandensis*



Lanes	ORF Name	Annotation	Deleted in
Set A	ORF 3361902	ABC Transporter Subunit	<i>B. mallei</i>
Set B	ORF 2812502	Fe-pyochelin Receptor Precursor	<i>B. mallei</i>
Set C	ORF 3174502	Nitrate reductase (delta subunit)	<i>B. mallei</i>
Set D	ORF 2847802	Nitrate reductase (beta subunit)	<i>B. mallei</i>
Set E	ORF 2847902	Nitrate reductase (alpha subunit)	<i>B. mallei</i>
Set F	ORF 3365602	Nitric Oxide Reductase	<i>B. thailandensis</i>



Lanes	ORF Name	Annotation	Deleted in
Set G	ORF 3414002	beta-lactamase	<i>B. mallei</i>
Set H	ORF 2874802	WbiH (Type II OPS)	<i>B. thailandensis</i>
Set I	ORF 3234402	AraC-related Trans Factor	<i>B. thailandensis</i>
Set J	ORF 3176002	Quorum Sensing Trans Factor	<i>B. mallei</i>
Set K	ORF 3418002	AHL Synthase	<i>B. mallei</i>

**Supplementary Data S12: Deleted ORFs in *B. mallei* and *B. thailandensis***

NCCID	Chr	Start bp	Stop bp	Annotation	Accession Number	Similarity	Comments
				Deleted in <i>B. mallei</i>			
3218202	1	369368	370294	PROBABLE DIHYDRODIPICOLINATE SYNTHASE-RELATED TRANSMEMBRANE PROTEIN	ref NP_518786.1	200 3e-50	Deleted in <i>B. thailandensis</i>
3466202	1	640048	641115	dienelactone hydrolase family protein [Pseudomonas putida KT2440]	ref NP_743344.1	149 5e-35	
3452802	1	841255	844113	penicillin acylase II [Xanthomonas campestris pv. campestris str. ATCC 33913]	ref NP_636766.1	439 e-121	
3054302	1	1450878	1451591	CYC4_PSEAE CYTOCHROME C4 PRECURSOR	sp P00106	96 4e-19	Operon (Cytochrome)
3054402	1	1453089	1453658	cytochrome-c oxidase (EC 1.9.3.1) chain II [imported] - Bacillus stearothermophilus	pir T43834	116 2e-25	Operon (Cytochrome)
2818002	1	1453648	1455270	cytochrome c oxidase subunit 1 [Burkholderia pseudomallei]	gb AAF13732.1	986 0.0	Operon (Cytochrome)
2785002	1	1999100	2005876	peptide synthetase XpsB [Xenorhabdus bovienii]	gb AAL57600.1	891 0.0	
2790002	1	2006602	2018016	NosC [Nostoc sp. GSV224] (peptide synthetase)	gb AAF17280.1	948 0.0	
3394402	1	2304793	2306010	probable lipopolysaccharide modification acyltransferase [Mesorhizobium loti]	ref NP_102483.1	218 2e-55	
3043102	1	2508356	2509234	DNA adenine methylase [Bacteriophage phiE125]	ref NP_536383.1	118 2e-44	
3170302	1	3309224	3310654	2-dehydro-3-deoxyphosphoacetate aldolase [Pseudomonas putida KT2440]	ref NP_743962.1	397 e-109	
3274902	2	575780	578404	polysaccharide biosynthesis protein [Shewanella oneidensis MR-1]	ref NP_718749.1	171 6e-41	
2852502	2	652895	654517	2-aminobenzoate-CoA ligase [Azoarcus evansii]	gb AAL02069.1	551 e-155	
3361902	2	810019	811008	probable ATP-binding component of ABC transporter [Pseudomonas aeruginosa PA01]	ref NP_252912.1	233 4e-60	Iron Metabolism
2812502	2	811073	813646	Fe(III)-pyochelin receptor precursor [Pseudomonas aeruginosa PA01]	ref NP_252911.1	884 0.0	Iron Metabolism
2789502	2	843109	844809	PROBABLE ACETYL-COENZYME A SYNTHETASE (ACETATE--COA LIGASE) PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_522212.1	829 0.0	
3357302	2	1483082	1484089	Chain A, 4-Amino-5-Hydroxymethyl-2-Methylpyrimidine Phosphate Kinase From <i>Salmonella Typhimurium</i>	pdb 1JXIIA	236 4e-61	
3014102	2	1488211	1489524	epsilon-trimethyllysine hydroxylase [Rattus norvegicus]	ref NP_596878.1	89 1e-16	Deleted in <i>B. thailandensis</i>
3319502	2	1509034	1510014	TRP-2 [Burkholderia glumae]	dbj BAB88915.1	451 e-126	Riboflavin
2910202	2	1510127	1511311	riboflavin-specific deaminase [Xylella fastidiosa 9a5c]	ref NP_298240.1	172 8e-42	Riboflavin
3172302	2	1521595	1522422	hydroxyethylthiazole kinase [Leptospira interrogans serovar lai str. 56601]	ref NP_713545.1	124 1e-27	
2847602	2	1532876	1535935	hydrogenase-4 component B [Burkholderia pseudomallei]	gb AAK06855.1	1047 0.0	
3417302	2	1539548	1540819	putative nitrate/nitrite transporter; NarD [Pseudomonas fluorescens]	gb AAG34371.1	1E-107	Nitrogen Metabolism
3174302	2	1540847	1541641	PEPTIDYL-PROLYL CIS-TRANS ISOMERASE C [Brucella	ref NP_541932.1	127 2e-28	



2874502	1	3201463	3203331	putative glycosyl transferase [Burkholderia mallei]	gb AAK27401.1	0	
3284702	1	3229270	3229932	cinnamoyl ester hydrolase [Bacillus halodurans]	ref NP_241603.1	138 7e-32	
2965502	1	4012435	4012965	putative oxidoreductase protein [Sinorhizobium meliloti]	ref NP_437248.1	85 1e-26	
3413302	2	266543	268738	penicillin acylase (penicillin amidase) [Oceanobacillus iheyensis]	ref NP_694226.1	485 e-135	Deleted in <i>B. mallei</i>
3361402	2	831177	833339	putative phosphoenolpyruvate decarboxylase [Bacteroides fragilis]	gb AAG26466.1	329 1e-88	
2937602	2	1042018	1043697	PROBABLE VANILLIN DEHYDROGENASE OXIDOREDUCTASE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_521787.1	460 e-128	
2793202	2	1043679	1045532	PROBABLE FERULOYL-COA SYNTHETASE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_521788.1	712 0.0	
3333302	2	1111237	1112454	PUTATIVE ISOPENICILLIN N EPIMERASE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_522257.1	191 1e-47	Drug
2829202	2	1322015	1323271	TaC protein [Myxococcus xanthus]	emb CAB46502.1	567 e-160	Polyketide biosynthesis
2878102	2	1355303	1357003	polyketide synthase [Bacillus subtilis]	ref NP_389604.1	276 9e-73	Polyketide biosynthesis
3014302	2	1487422	1488204	putative S-adenosyl-methionine-sterol-C-methyltransferase, 5' partial; 1-1344 [Arabidopsis thaliana]	gb AAG52075.1	150 1e-35	
3014102	2	1488211	1489524	epsilon-trimethyllysine hydroxylase [Rattus norvegicus]	ref NP_596878.1	89 1e-16	Deleted in <i>B. mallei</i>
2901002	2	1708188	1710374	ToxR-regulated lipoprotein [Escherichia coli]	ref NP_052607.1	84 1e-14	
2896002	2	1718979	1720223	non-ribosomal peptide synthetase [Streptomyces avermitilis]	dbj BAB69380.1	169 1e-40	Polyketide biosynthesis
3314802	2	1721311	1726371	epoD [Polyangium cellulosum]	gb AAF62883.1	296 3e-78	Polyketide biosynthesis
2923702	2	2184502	2185422	AGR_L_4p [Agrobacterium tumefaciens] ref NP_535374.1  acetyltransferase [Agrobacterium tumefaciens str. C58 (U. Washington)]	ref NP_355763.1	0.0000002	
3431502	2	2206195	2207157	SyrP-like protein [Streptomyces avermitilis]	dbj BAB69339.1	216 4e-55	
3214402	2	2253464	2257933	putative 4-hydroxybutyrate coenzyme A transferase [Yersinia pestis]	ref NP_405485.1	514 e-144	
3428402	2	2819359	2820309	putative ABC transporter, permease [Sinorhizobium meliloti]	ref NP_436488.1	291 9e-78	Deleted in <i>B. mallei</i>
3376302	2	2859369	2860652	probable FAD-dependent monoxygenase [Pseudomonas aeruginosa PA01]	ref NP_252907.1	237 3e-61	
3365602	2	3023644	3024897	nitric oxide reductase regulator NorR2	emb CAC00712.1	208 1e-52	
3365802	2	3028187	3029938	putative transferase [Streptomyces coelicolor A3(2)]	emb CAD55374.1	456 e-127	
2889502	2	3104374	3105864	disulphide-isomerase [Xanthomonas axonopodis pv. citri str. 306]	ref NP_644184.1	244 3e-63	
				<b>TRANSCRIPTION</b>			
				Deleted in <i>B. mallei</i>			

3432902	1	362187	362642	PROBABLE TRANSCRIPTION REGULATOR PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_522936.1	251 2e-66
3301102	1	1915384	1916205	AGR_L_1259p [Agrobacterium tumefaciens] pir  E98210 transcription regulator, gntR family [imported]	ref NP_356422.1	8E-45
3300702	1	1921268	1921720	PUTATIVE HNS-LIKE TRANSCRIPTION REGULATOR PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_521590.1	Deleted in <i>B. thailandensis</i>
2790202	2	794723	795775	transcriptional regulator PchR [Pseudomonas aeruginosa PA01]	ref NP_252917.1	404 e-111
3003802	2	2976263	2977174	PROBABLE TRANSCRIPTIONAL REGULATOR PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_523130.1	211 1e-53
3417602	2	1552886	1553662	PROBABLE TRANSCRIPTION REGULATOR PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_518311.1	246 2e-64
3003402	2	2966632	2967249	probable transcriptional regulator [Pseudomonas aeruginosa PA01]	ref NP_250772.1	188 5e-47
				Deleted in <i>B. thailandensis</i>		
2957202	1	536736	538097	probable transcriptional regulator [Pseudomonas aeruginosa PA01]	ref NP_253905.1	243 5e-63
3313902	1	1528813	1530351	probable transcriptional regulator [Mesorhizobium loti]	ref NP_103317.1	254 2e-66
3300702	1	1921268	1921720	PUTATIVE HNS-LIKE TRANSCRIPTION REGULATOR PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_521590.1	Deleted in <i>B. mallei</i>
2978802	1	2475152	2476216	transcriptional regulator, LysR family [Pseudomonas putida KT2440]	ref NP_745768.1	77 4e-13
3170102	1	3305700	3306125	PROBABLE FLAGELLAR TRANSCRIPTIONAL ACTIVATOR	ref NP_522972.1	0.000001
3234402	1	3654384	3655325	TRANSCRIPTION REGULATOR PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_422300.1	67 3e-10
3282302	2	56075	56704	transcriptional regulator, AraC family [Caulobacter crescentus CB15]	ref NP_108303.1	87 2e-16
3413202	2	264490	265506	RNA polymerase ECF-type sigma factor [Mesorhizobium loti]	ref NP_249182.1	379 e-104
				probable transcriptional regulator [Pseudomonas aeruginosa PA01]		
				<b>MEMBRANE</b>		
				Deleted in <i>B. mallei</i>		
3054002	1	1447046	1448860	PROBABLE TRANSMEMBRANE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_521693.1	243 9e-63
3180502	1	3714079	3714699	PUTATIVE TRANSMEMBRANE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_522302.1	129 3e-29
3126302	2	107264	107752	PUTATIVE TRANSMEMBRANE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_521722.1	169 1e-41
3126002	2	110182	110724	putative fimbrial protein [Yersinia pestis KIM]	ref NP_668859.1	103 2e-21
3125902	2	114334	114948	F-17A fimbrial subunit precursor [Escherichia coli]	gb AAD17509.1	Operon
2840602	2	111567	114383	outer membrane usher protein precursor [Xylella fastidiosa 9a5c]	ref NP_297374.1	91 8e-18
3406102	2	122487	123803	putative membrane protein [Salmonella enterica subsp. enterica serovar Typhi]	ref NP_454885.1	0
3421302	2	153170	155734	putative outer membrane fimbrial usher protein [Yersinia pestis]	ref NP_403954.1	361 1e-98
						645 0.0

3188202	2	175700	176314	PROBABLE TRANSMEMBRANE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_521264.1	223 1e-57	
3018702	2	794178	794639	fimbriae-associated protein Fap1 - Streptococcus parasanguinis	pir T17451	67 1e-10	Deleted in <i>B. thailandensis</i>
3343002	2	849813	851192	outer membrane efflux family protein [Shewanella oneidensis MR-1]	ref NP_716453.1	5E-91	
3015202	2	1475889	1476479	PROBABLE TRANSMEMBRANE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_518319.1	161 5e-39	
3263502	2	2376040	2377191	PROBABLE TRANSMEMBRANE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_522173.1	136 5e-31	
3374902	2	2914043	2915524	similar to transporter homolog ywoD [Bacillus subtilis]	ref NP_391529.1	200 4e-50	
3353402	2	2974830	2976134	PUTATIVE TRANSPORT TRANSMEMBRANE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_523131.1	417 e-115	
2798902	1	2141246	2143711	Deleted in <i>B. thailandensis</i>			
3470002	1	1885085	1887634	MrfC [Photobacterium luminescens]	gb AAK82425.1	535 e-150	Fimbrae component
3126102	2	110164	110874	putative outer membrane protein, export function [Escherichia coli O157:H7 EDL933]	ref NP_286281.1	513 e-144	
3186802	2	155915	156622	fimbrial protein [Yersinia pestis]	ref NP_406441.1	102 4e-21	Operon
3018702	2	794178	794638	putative fimbrial chaperone [Yersinia pestis]	ref NP_403955.1	197 8e-50	Operon
3192302	2	965130	966395	fimbriae-associated protein Fap1 - Streptococcus parasanguinis	pir T17451	67 1e-10	Deleted in <i>B. mallei</i>
3435002	2	1883056	1884663	PROBABLE TRANSMEMBRANE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_519103.1	275 8e-73	
2954302	2	1609219	1610358	PUTATIVE TRANSMEMBRANE CYTOCHROME BD-II OXIDASE (SUBUNIT I) OXIDOREDUCTASE [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_522768.1	534 e-150	
3020602	2	2033784	2035331	putative transport protein [Salmonella typhimurium LT2]	ref NP_460503.1	412 e-114	
3450802	2	2370880	2372571	PUTATIVE HEMAGGLUTININ-RELATED PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_523179.1	184 2e-45	
				FhaC [Bordetella bronchiseptica]	gb AAF21946.1 AF111795_1	282 1e-74	Outer membrane protein
<b>SIGNALING</b>							
2858102	1	359490	361643	Deleted in <i>B. mallei</i>		1347 0.0	
3302202	1	1899078	1900508	non-hemolytic phospholipase C [Burkholderia thailandensis]	gb AAM55475.1	135 1e-30	Deleted in <i>B. thailandensis</i>
3176002	2	1584149	1584826	GGDEF family protein [Xanthomonas axonopodis pv. citri str. 306]	ref NP_642264.1	181 6e-45	Quorum sensing
3418002	2	1588194	1588811	PROBABLE TRANSCRIPTIONAL ACTIVATOR OF QUORUM SENSING [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_522339.1	187 1e-46	Quorum sensing
				acyl-homoserine lactone synthase Bvii [Burkholderia cepacia]	gb AAK35155.1		
				Deleted in <i>B. thailandensis</i>			

2912602	1	1512096	1512503	HYPOTHETICAL SIGNAL PEPTIDE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_521676.1	132 1e-30	
3302202	1	1899078	1900508	GGDEF family protein [Xanthomonas axonopodis pv. citri str. 306]	ref NP_642264.1	135 1e-30	Often found in associated with sensor components
3299702	1	1948084	1948794	PROBABLE TWO-COMPONENT SYSTEM RESPONSE REGULATOR TRANSCRIPTION REGULATOR PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_519194.1	146 2e-34	
2872602	2	69372	70787	PROBABLE RESPONSE REGULATOR OF THE C4-DICARBOXYLATE TRANSPORT TWO-COMPONENT REGULATORY SYSTEM TRANSCRIPTION REGULATOR PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_521570.1	569 e-161	
3421202	2	151959	152618	probable response regulator [Pseudomonas aeruginosa PA01]	ref NP_252769.1	199 2e-50	
3161502	2	898946	899653	two-component response regulatory protein [Salmonella enterica subsp. enterica serovar Typhi]	ref NP_457992.1	80 3e-14	
2897002	2	1047507	1048643	PROBABLE PORIN SIGNAL PEPTIDE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_523153.1	347 2e-94	
				<b>SECRETED</b>			
3445702	2	2770769	2780077	Deleted in <i>B. mallei</i> hemagglutinin-like secreted protein XF2196 [imported] - <i>Xylella fastidiosa</i> (strain 9a5c) Deleted in <i>B. thailandensis</i>	pir E82589	392 e-107	
3300202	1	1936238	1938637	toxin secretion ATP-binding protein VCA1084 [imported] - <i>Vibrio cholerae</i> (strain N16961 serogroup O1)	pir H82381	334 3e-90	
3300102	1	1938541	1940043	secretion protein, HlyD family VCA1080 [imported] - <i>Vibrio cholerae</i> (strain N16961 serogroup O1)	pir D82381	225 5e-58	
3187002	2	157971	158666	putative exported protein [Yersinia pestis]	ref NP_403953.1	183 2e-45	Deleted in <i>B. mallei</i>

Table S12: ORFs deleted in *B. mallei* and *B. thailandensis* compared to *B. pseudomallei*. Not shown are I) ORFs with no homology or with homology to hypothetical proteins, II) ORFs which have been previously identified as being differentially present among the three species, III) ORFs with homology to insertion sequences, transposases, and other mobilizable elements.

**Supplementary Data S13: Deleted ORFs Belonging to RDs (“Regions of Difference”) 1-12**

NCCID	Chr	Start	Stop	Homology	Accession	RD Number
3418702	1	92521	93762	hypothetical protein [Burkholderia fungorum]	gb ZP_00028268.1	RD1
3179402	1	94416	97280	putative inner membrane protein [Salmonella typhimurium LT2]	ref NP_461672.1	
3179602	1	97746	98540	NA	NA	
3179802	1	99412	100212	NA	NA	
3180002	1	101251	102399	HYPOTHETICAL PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_521827.1	
3134902	1	147391	150180	HYPOTHETICAL PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_519088.1	RD2
3134802	1	150395	150892	NA	NA	
3134702	1	151566	152042	NA	NA	
3134202	1	155399	156493	phage-related tail protein [Xanthomonas campestris pv. campestris str. ATCC 33913]	ref NP_638342.1	
3134102	1	156496	156918	hypothetical protein [Azotobacter vinelandii]	gb ZP_00089325.1	
3133902	1	159844	160938	phage-related tail protein [Xanthomonas campestris pv. campestris str. ATCC 33913]	ref NP_638337.1	
3133802	1	161970	162707	PROBABLE PHAGE-RELATED PROTEIN (TAIL SHEATH-LIKE PROTEIN) [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_520039.1	
3133702	1	162846	164218	hypothetical protein [Pseudomonas fluorescens]	gb ZP_00084026.1	
3133602	1	162867	164135	hypothetical protein [Pseudomonas fluorescens]	gb ZP_00084026.1	
3050602	1	165241	165792	phage-related tail protein [Xanthomonas axonopodis pv. citri str. 306]	ref NP_642967.1	
3050502	1	165788	166954	hypothetical protein [Azotobacter vinelandii]	gb ZP_00088456.1	
3050402	1	166250	166810	hypothetical protein [Azotobacter vinelandii]	gb ZP_00088456.1	
3050302	1	167049	167798	hypothetical protein [Azotobacter vinelandii]	gb ZP_00088458.1	
3050202	1	167734	168744	site-specific DNA-methyltransferase [Xanthomonas campestris pv. campestris str. ATCC 33913]	ref NP_638315.1	
3050102	1	169190	169711	orf14; similar to S gene of P2:tail completion [Bacteriophage phi CTX]	ref NP_490613.1	
3050002	1	169525	169938	orf13; similar to R gene of P2:tail completion [Bacteriophage phi CTX]	ref NP_490612.1	
3049902	1	170046	170483	NA	NA	
3372302	1	170483	171292	PUTATIVE PHAGE-RELATED PROTEIN (HYDROLASE) [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_520052.1	
3049802	1	172379	172894	hypothetical protein [Azotobacter vinelandii]	gb ZP_00088466.1	
3049702	1	172958	173683	hypothetical protein [Azotobacter vinelandii]	gb ZP_00088467.1	
3049502	1	173644	174651	orf4; similar to N of P2: major capsid protein [Bacteriophage phi CTX]	ref NP_490602.1	
3049602	1	174607	175839	PROBABLE BACTERIOPHAGE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_520059.1	
3049402	1	174688	175533	PROBABLE BACTERIOPHAGE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_520059.1	
3049302	1	175842	177404	orf2; similar to P gene of P2 :DNA-dependent ATPase terminase subunit [Bacteriophage phi CTX]	ref NP_490600.1	
3269502	1	847846	849039	hypothetical protein [Burkholderia fungorum]	gb ZP_00034165.1	RD3

3269302	1	850345	850878	NA	NA	NA	NA
3269202	1	851788	852963	NA	NA	NA	NA
3269102	1	853004	854032	AGR_pAT_24p [Agrobacterium tumefaciens]	AGR_pAT_24p [Agrobacterium tumefaciens]	ref NP_395955.1	ref NP_395955.1
3268902	1	854496	855059	NA	NA	NA	NA
3268802	1	855097	855651	HYPOTHETICAL/UNKNOWN PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	HYPOTHETICAL/UNKNOWN PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_520732.1	ref NP_520732.1
3268702	1	855650	856558	HYPOTHETICAL TRANSMEMBRANE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	HYPOTHETICAL TRANSMEMBRANE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_520733.1	ref NP_520733.1
3268602	1	855656	856495	HYPOTHETICAL TRANSMEMBRANE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	HYPOTHETICAL TRANSMEMBRANE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_520733.1	ref NP_520733.1
3268502	1	856589	857374	hypothetical protein [Vibrio cholerae]	hypothetical protein [Vibrio cholerae]	ref NP_232790.1	ref NP_232790.1
3452602	1	856595	857440	hypothetical protein [Vibrio cholerae]	hypothetical protein [Vibrio cholerae]	ref NP_232790.1	ref NP_232790.1
3268402	1	857477	858832	integrase [Xanthomonas axonopodis pv. citri str. 306]	integrase [Xanthomonas axonopodis pv. citri str. 306]	ref NP_643606.1	ref NP_643606.1
3302902	1	1893743	1894492	NA	NA	NA	RD4
3302702	1	1894351	1895034	NA	NA	NA	NA
3302602	1	1894363	1894974	NA	NA	NA	NA
3302402	1	1895264	1895926	hypothetical protein [Ralstonia metallidurans]	hypothetical protein [Ralstonia metallidurans]	gb ZP_00024986.1	gb ZP_00024986.1
3302302	1	1895929	1899174	hypothetical protein [Ralstonia metallidurans]	hypothetical protein [Ralstonia metallidurans]	gb ZP_00024985.1	gb ZP_00024985.1
3302202	1	1899078	1900508	GGDEF family protein [Xanthomonas axonopodis pv. citri str. 306]	GGDEF family protein [Xanthomonas axonopodis pv. citri str. 306]	ref NP_642264.1	ref NP_642264.1
3302002	1	1900778	1901584	NA	NA	NA	NA
3301802	1	1904329	1904778	ISRS07-TRANSPOSASE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ISRS07-TRANSPOSASE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_518373.1	ref NP_518373.1
3301702	1	1904893	1905732	transcriptional regulator, GntR family [Agrobacterium tumefaciens str. C58 (U. Washington)]	transcriptional regulator, GntR family [Agrobacterium tumefaciens str. C58 (U. Washington)]	ref NP_534710.1	ref NP_534710.1
3301602	1	1905946	1906566	hypothetical protein with local similarity [Sinorhizobium meliloti]	hypothetical protein with local similarity [Sinorhizobium meliloti]	ref NP_435673.1	ref NP_435673.1
3301502	1	1905994	1906617	hypothetical protein with local similarity [Sinorhizobium meliloti]	hypothetical protein with local similarity [Sinorhizobium meliloti]	ref NP_435673.1	ref NP_435673.1
3301402	1	1907457	1908440	AGR_pAT_322p [Agrobacterium tumefaciens]	AGR_pAT_322p [Agrobacterium tumefaciens]	ref NP_396159.1	ref NP_396159.1
3469902	1	1908552	1909592	conserved hypothetical protein [Sinorhizobium meliloti]	conserved hypothetical protein [Sinorhizobium meliloti]	ref NP_435676.1	ref NP_435676.1
3301302	1	1912663	1913556	putative ABC transporter, permease protein [Sinorhizobium meliloti]	putative ABC transporter, permease protein [Sinorhizobium meliloti]	ref NP_435680.1	ref NP_435680.1
3301202	1	1913440	1914249	putative ABC transporter, permease protein [Sinorhizobium meliloti]	putative ABC transporter, permease protein [Sinorhizobium meliloti]	ref NP_435681.1	ref NP_435681.1
3469602	1	1914372	1915460	putative ABC-transporter ATP-binding protein [Sinorhizobium meliloti]	putative ABC-transporter ATP-binding protein [Sinorhizobium meliloti]	ref NP_435682.1	ref NP_435682.1
3469502	1	1916230	1917687	hypothetical protein [Burkholderia fungorum]	hypothetical protein [Burkholderia fungorum]	gb ZP_00032798.1	gb ZP_00032798.1
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3300802	1	1918957	1919364	NA	NA	NA	NA
3300702	1	1921268	1921720	PUTATIVE HNS-LIKE TRANSCRIPTION REGULATOR PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	PUTATIVE HNS-LIKE TRANSCRIPTION REGULATOR PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_521590.1	ref NP_521590.1
3300602	1	1922210	1923106	hypothetical protein [Burkholderia fungorum]	hypothetical protein [Burkholderia fungorum]	gb ZP_00028591.1	gb ZP_00028591.1
3300502	1	1923106	1925034	hypothetical protein [Magnetococcus sp. MC-1]	hypothetical protein [Magnetococcus sp. MC-1]	gb ZP_00043031.1	gb ZP_00043031.1
3300402	1	1934933	1935439	NA	NA	NA	NA
3300302	1	1935424	1936311	hypothetical protein [Pseudomonas fluorescens]	hypothetical protein [Pseudomonas fluorescens]	gb ZP_00086357.1	gb ZP_00086357.1
3300202	1	1936238	1938637	hypothetical protein [Desulfivibrio desulfuricans G20]	hypothetical protein [Desulfivibrio desulfuricans G20]	gb ZP_00130819.1	gb ZP_00130819.1
3300102	1	1938541	1940043	hypothetical protein [Pseudomonas fluorescens]	hypothetical protein [Pseudomonas fluorescens]	gb ZP_00086337.1	gb ZP_00086337.1

3300002	1	1940157	1944518	hypothetical protein [Trichodesmium erythraeum IMS101]	hypothetical protein [Trichodesmium erythraeum IMS101]	gb ZP_00072341.1	RD5
3299902	1	1944491	1946185	HYPOTHETICAL PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	HYPOTHETICAL PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_521285.1	
3299702	1	1948084	1948794	PROBABLE TWO-COMPONENT SYSTEM RESPONSE REGULATOR TRANSCRIPTION REGULATOR PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	PROBABLE TWO-COMPONENT SYSTEM RESPONSE REGULATOR TRANSCRIPTION REGULATOR PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_519194.1	
3294402	1	3097526	3098038	NA	NA	NA	
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3294102	1	3098814	3099368	NA	NA	NA	
3294002	1	3099384	3100373	NA	NA	NA	
3293902	1	3101272	3101904	NA	NA	NA	
3180102	1	3718434	3719231	NA	NA	NA	RD6
3418802	1	3719241	3720308	transcriptional regulator, HTH_3 family [Neisseria meningitidis MC58]	transcriptional regulator, HTH_3 family [Neisseria meningitidis MC58]	ref NP_275004.1	
3026702	1	3721641	3722048	hypothetical protein [Pseudomonas syringae pv. syringae B728a]	hypothetical protein [Pseudomonas syringae pv. syringae B728a]	gb ZP_00127047.1	
3026802	1	3722120	3724717	type I restriction-modification system, M subunit, putative [Shewanella oneidensis MR-1]	type I restriction-modification system, M subunit, putative [Shewanella oneidensis MR-1]	ref NP_717074.1	
3283102	2	78855	79598	hypothetical protein [Pseudomonas aeruginosa PA01]	hypothetical protein [Pseudomonas aeruginosa PA01]	ref NP_250201.1	RD7
2872802	2	79601	80011	ISBt3 transposase subunit protein [Bacteriophage phiE125]	ISBt3 transposase subunit protein [Bacteriophage phiE125]	ref NP_536395.1	
2872902	2	81347	82069	hypothetical protein [Ralstonia metallidurans]	hypothetical protein [Ralstonia metallidurans]	gb ZP_00025020.1	
3457402	2	82069	82485	Insertion element IS401 hypothetical 12.4 kDa protein gb AAA25861.1  IS401 transposase subunit; putative [Burkholderia cepacia]	Insertion element IS401 hypothetical 12.4 kDa protein gb AAA25861.1  IS401 transposase subunit; putative [Burkholderia cepacia]	sp Q51647 YISX_BURCE	
3283202	2	82941	84035	probable transcriptional regulator [Pseudomonas aeruginosa PA01]	probable transcriptional regulator [Pseudomonas aeruginosa PA01]	ref NP_251394.1	
3283302	2	83980	84564	hypothetical protein [Rhodospirillum rubrum]	hypothetical protein [Rhodospirillum rubrum]	gb ZP_00015144.1	
3457502	2	84913	85830	probable permease of ABC transporter [Pseudomonas aeruginosa PA01]	probable permease of ABC transporter [Pseudomonas aeruginosa PA01]	ref NP_249016.1	
3457602	2	85817	86668	probable permease of ABC transporter [Pseudomonas aeruginosa PA01]	probable permease of ABC transporter [Pseudomonas aeruginosa PA01]	ref NP_249015.1	
3457702	2	86668	87696	probable binding protein component of ABC transporter [Pseudomonas aeruginosa PA01]	probable binding protein component of ABC transporter [Pseudomonas aeruginosa PA01]	ref NP_249014.1	
3127302	2	93965	95611	hypothetical protein [Pseudomonas syringae pv. syringae B728a]	hypothetical protein [Pseudomonas syringae pv. syringae B728a]	gb ZP_00127913.1	RD8
3273102	2	539338	539742	conserved hypothetical protein [Xylella fastidiosa 9a5c]	conserved hypothetical protein [Xylella fastidiosa 9a5c]	ref NP_298851.1	
3273202	2	540575	541036	hypothetical protein [Bacteriophage phiE125]	hypothetical protein [Bacteriophage phiE125]	ref NP_536405.1	
3273302	2	541540	542325	NA	NA	NA	
3273402	2	542310	543695	conserved hypothetical protein [Bacteriophage phiE125]	conserved hypothetical protein [Bacteriophage phiE125]	ref NP_536400.1	
3273502	2	544098	544748	putative truncated transposase [Xanthomonas campestris pv. vesicatoria]	putative truncated transposase [Xanthomonas campestris pv. vesicatoria]	gb AAL78293.1	RD9
3191302	2	978884	979480	hypothetical protein [Burkholderia fungorum]	hypothetical protein [Burkholderia fungorum]	gb ZP_00029497.1	
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3190902	2	982533	983228	hypothetical protein [Pseudomonas aeruginosa PA01]	hypothetical protein [Pseudomonas aeruginosa PA01]	ref NP_249672.1	RD10
3157702	2	1437139	1437657	hypothetical protein [Azotobacter vinelandii]	hypothetical protein [Azotobacter vinelandii]	gb ZP_00092036.1	
3158202	2	1442842	1443567	hypothetical protein [Azotobacter vinelandii]	hypothetical protein [Azotobacter vinelandii]	gb ZP_00088467.1	
3158302	2	1443631	1444146	hypothetical protein [Azotobacter vinelandii]	hypothetical protein [Azotobacter vinelandii]	gb ZP_00088466.1	
3158402	2	1445233	1446042	PUTATIVE PHAGE-RELATED PROTEIN (HYDROLASE) [Ralstonia solanacearum]	PUTATIVE PHAGE-RELATED PROTEIN (HYDROLASE) [Ralstonia solanacearum]	ref NP_520052.1	

3158602	2	1447594	1448121	NA	site-specific DNA-methyltransferase [Xanthomonas campestris pv. campestris str. ATCC 33913]	NA	ref NP_638315.1	
3398202	2	1448293	1449165	NA	phage-related tail protein [Xanthomonas axonopodis pv. citri str. 306]		ref NP_642967.1	
3158802	2	1451174	1451725	NA	PUTATIVE TAIL FIBER ASSEMBLY-LIKE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]		ref NP_520041.1	
3158902	2	1454119	1454787	NA	PROBABLE PHAGE-RELATED PROTEIN (TAIL SHEATH-LIKE PROTEIN) [Ralstonia solanacearum]		ref NP_520039.1	
2841502	2	1454927	1456015	NA	PROBABLE PHAGE-RELATED TAIL TRANSMEMBRANE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]		ref NP_520035.1	
3628902	2	1457064	1460027	NA	hypothetical protein [Azotobacter vinelandii]		gb ZP_00089325.1	
3629002	2	1460048	1460470	NA	phage-related tail protein [Xanthomonas campestris pv. campestris str. ATCC 33913]		ref NP_638342.1	
4028002	2	1460470	1461570	NA	conserved hypothetical protein [Xanthomonas axonopodis pv. citri str. 306]		ref NP_643040.1	RD11
4146202	2	2761507	2762169	NA	Cytosine deaminase and related metal-dependent hydrolases [Thermoanaerobacter tengcongensis]		ref NP_623193.1	
3950202	2	2763240	2764787	NA	PUTATIVE HYDROLASE PROTEIN [Sinorhizobium meliloti]		ref NP_386696.1	
3950102	2	2763375	2763908	NA	glutathione S-transferase family protein [Caulobacter crescentus CB15]		ref NP_421446.1	
3950302	2	2764618	2765538	NA	glutathione S-transferase family protein [Caulobacter crescentus CB15]		ref NP_421446.1	
4146302	2	2764813	2765466	NA	PUTATIVE TRANSPOSASE PROTEIN [Ralstonia solanacearum]		ref NP_521300.1	
3950602	2	2767013	2768149	NA	hypothetical protein [Burkholderia fungorum]		gb ZP_00033628.1	
4146402	2	2768152	2769927	NA	hypothetical protein [Burkholderia fungorum]		gb ZP_00031982.1	
4146502	2	2770769	2780077	NA	hypothetical protein [Yersinia pestis KIM]		ref NP_670729.1	
3951002	2	2785931	2787196	NA	putative citrate lyase beta chain [Streptomyces coelicolor A3(2)]		ref NP_626293.1	RD12
3758902	2	2909989	2910858	NA	hypothetical protein [Streptomyces coelicolor A3(2)]		ref NP_626292.1	
3519502	2	2910858	2912156	NA	putative hydrolase [Streptomyces coelicolor A3(2)]		ref NP_625051.1	
3374802	2	2913402	2914043	NA	putative hydrolase [Streptomyces coelicolor A3(2)]		ref NP_625051.1	
3058202	2	2913438	2914037	NA	similar to transporter [Bacillus subtilis]		ref NP_391529.1	
3374902	2	2914043	2915524	NA	similar to transporter [Bacillus subtilis]		ref NP_391529.1	
3058302	2	2914058	2915485	NA	hypothetical protein [Ralstonia metallidurans]		gb ZP_00021404.1	
3058402	2	2917576	2918610	NA	hypothetical protein [Streptomyces coelicolor A3(2)]		ref NP_626292.1	
3375102	2	2918648	2919922	NA	hypothetical protein [Streptomyces coelicolor A3(2)]			

Table S13: ORFs belonging to RD1-RD12, defined by molecular subtyping of *B. pseudomallei* strains.

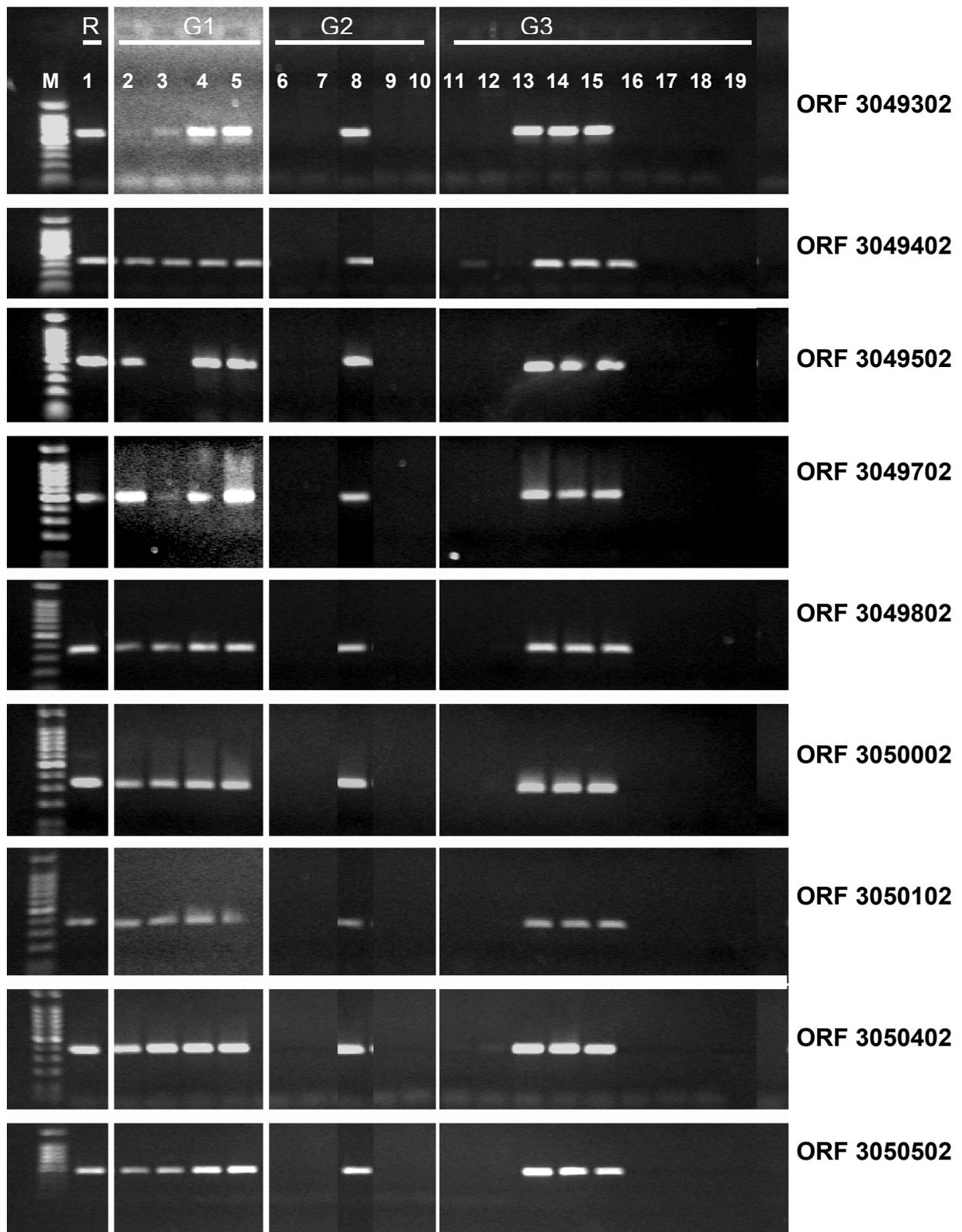
**Supplementary Data S14: Relationships of RD1-RD12 Among *B. pseudomallei* molecular subtypes**

<b>RD</b>	<b>Chr</b>	<b>Pattern</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>RD01</b>	1	P1	Deleted in G3
<b>RD02</b>	1	P3	Deleted in G2 and G3
<b>RD03</b>	1	P3	Deleted in G2 and G3
<b>RD04</b>	1	P5	Amplified in G1
<b>RD05</b>	1	P2	Amplified in G1, Deleted in G3
<b>RD06</b>	1	P4	Deleted in G1 and G2
<b>RD07</b>	2	P4	Deleted in G1 and G2
<b>RD08</b>	2	P1	Deleted in G3
<b>RD09</b>	2	P3	Deleted in G2 and G3
<b>RD10</b>	2	P3	Deleted in G2 and G3
<b>RD11</b>	2	Mixture	Mixture of G1 deletion and G2/G3 deletions
<b>RD12</b>	2	P4	Deleted in G1 and G2

**Supplementary Data S15: Deletion of the RD2 CTX-like Cluster in *B. pseudomallei* Isolates.**

Lanes 1 – 19: *B. pseudomallei* strains - K96243 (reference R), G1 subtype - 5/96, 567/96, 21/96, 497/96, G2 subtype - #33, #22, #11, #23, #14, G3 subtype – 20/96, 15/96, ATCC23343, #59, #9, 78/96, 15-10, ATCC15682, #3. Lanes have been arranged to be similar to Figure 5 in the Main Text. M – 100bp molecular marker. ORF primer pairs are homologous to the following CTX proteins: 3049302 (orf 2, DNA-dependent ATPase terminase subunit), 3049402 (orf 3, presumed capsid scaffold), 3049502 (orf 4, major capsid protein), 3049702 (orf 5, terminase subunit), 3049802 (head completion/stabilization protein (gene L) of phage P2), 3050002 (orf 13, tail completion), 3050102 (orf 14, tail completion), 3050402 (orf 18, baseplate or base of tail fiber), 3050502 (orf 18, baseplate or base of tail fiber).

Figure S15: PCR Validation of RD2 In *B. pseudomallei* Isolates



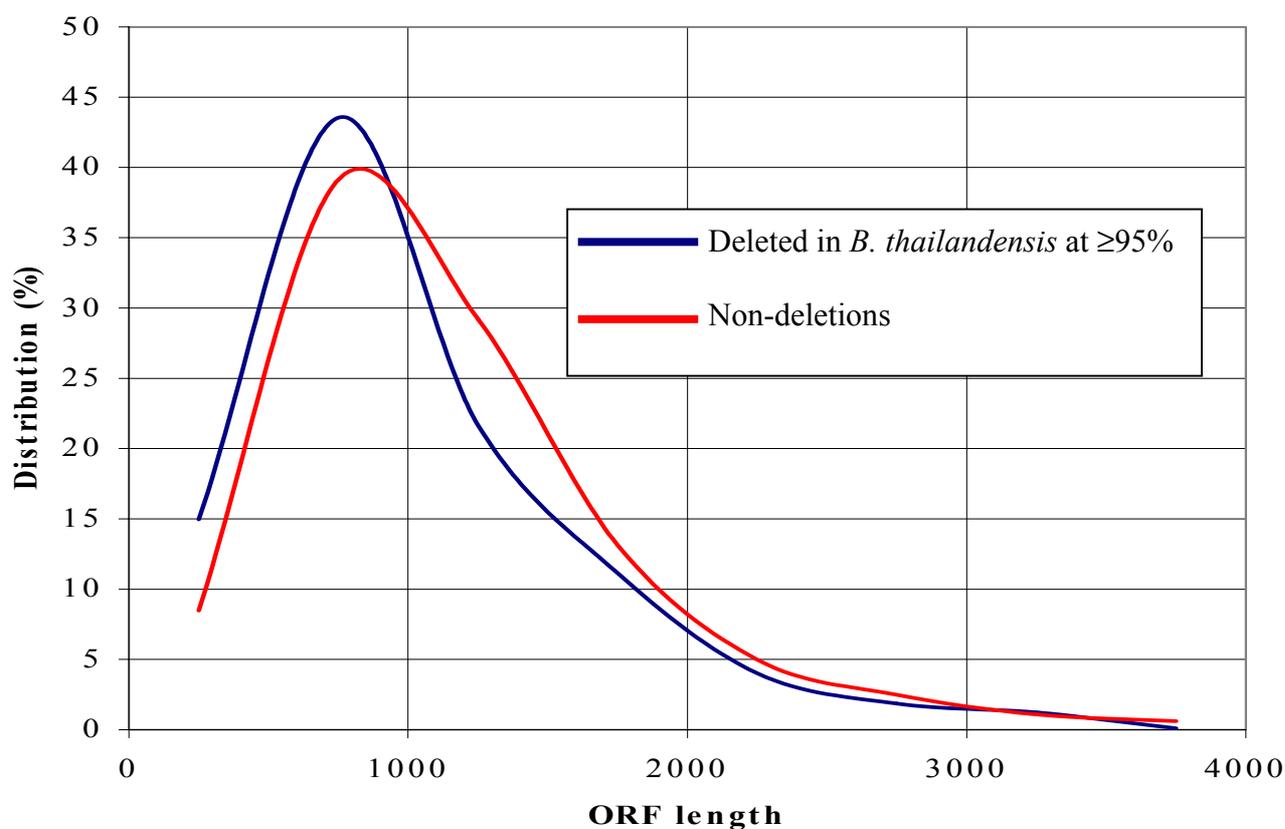
**Supplementary Data S16: Comparison of ORF Length and Codon Usages Between “Deleted” and Non-deleted ORFs in *B. thailandensis***

The 6895 ORFs were first divided into 2 groups:

- (a) Group 1: ORFs analysed as deleted in *B. thailandensis* at  $\geq 95\%$  level of confidence (969 ORFs)
- (b) Group 2: The rest of the ORFs (5926 ORFs) (Non-deletions)

(A) ORF length

Figure S16a: ORF-length-based Distribution for Deleted ORFs and Non-Deletions



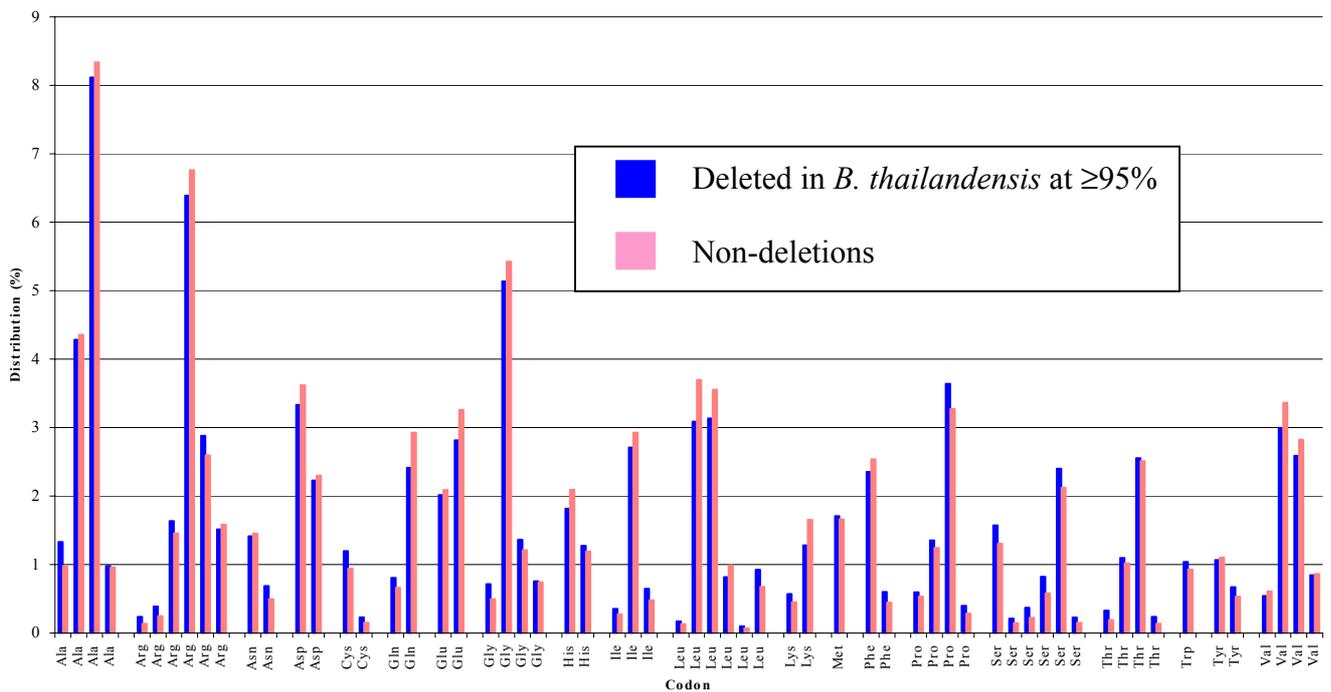
Summary of ORF-length comparison between the 2 groups of ORFs

	Median	Mean	Mod range
Group 1	888	1125.75	400~600
Group 2	1029	1196.32	400~600

## (B) Codon usage frequencies

For codon usage analysis, we collected the frequency of each of the 64 genetic codes for the ORFs in both groups. In order to compare the codon usage statistics between the 2 groups, the raw frequencies obtained for the ORFs of each group were divided by the total number of codons in their respective groups (i.e. 363940 and 2362808 total codons for Group 1 and 2 respectively). These normalized frequencies (in %) were then used to make feasible comparisons between Groups 1 and 2, and are shown in Figure S16b.

Figure S16b: Codon-usage-based Distribution for Deleted ORFs and Non-Deletions



No significance difference between the 2 groups in terms of codon usage frequencies. In fact, the average of differences between Groups 1 and 2 in all codon is negligible ( $4 \times 10^{-17}$ ) while the standard deviation stands at 0.22%.