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(57) ABSTRACT

The invention relates to the production and use of Casencoding sequences and vectors comprising these. Aspects of the invention provide products, vectors, delivery vehicles, uses and methods for producing Cas-encoding sequences in bacterial or archaeal cells.

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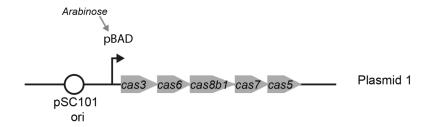
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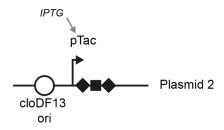


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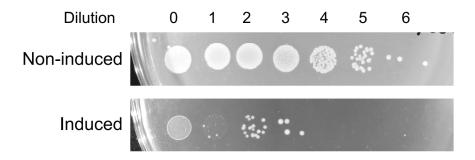


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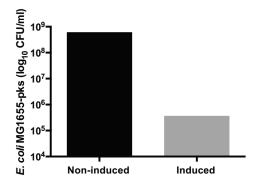
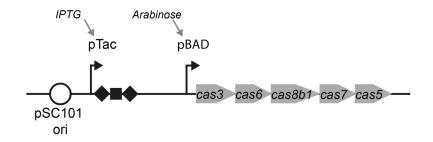


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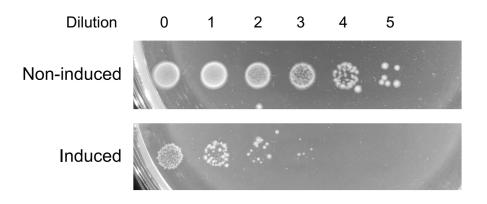


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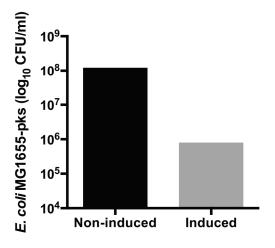


FIG. 2C

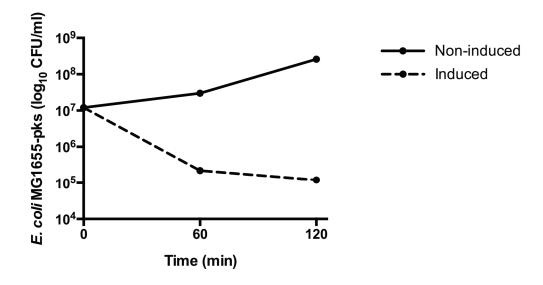


FIG. 3A

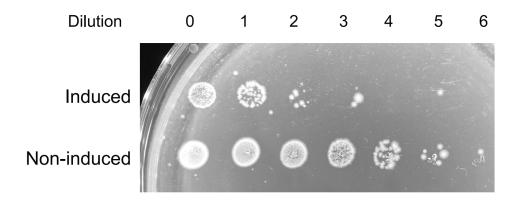


FIG. 3B

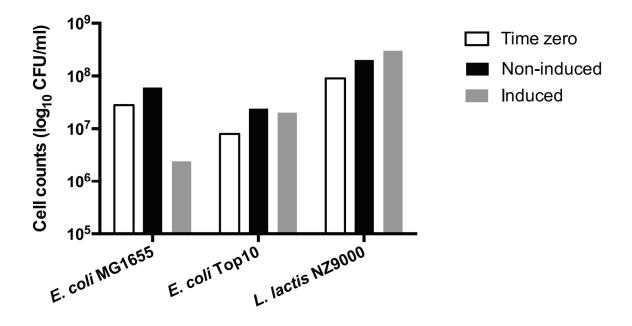


FIG. 4A

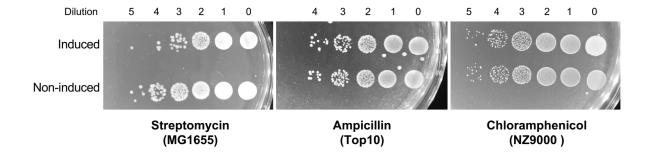


FIG. 4B

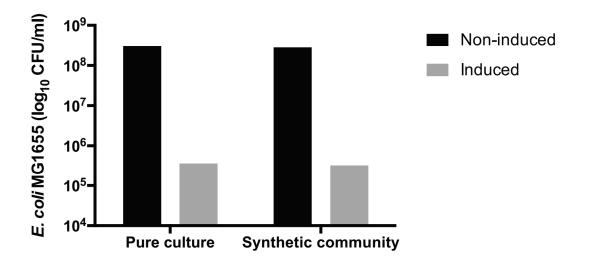


FIG. 5A

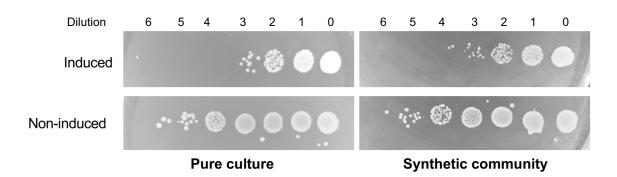


FIG. 5B

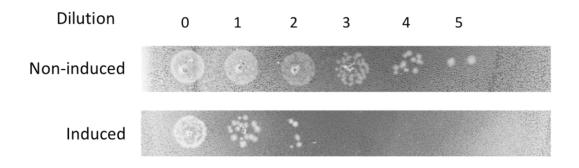
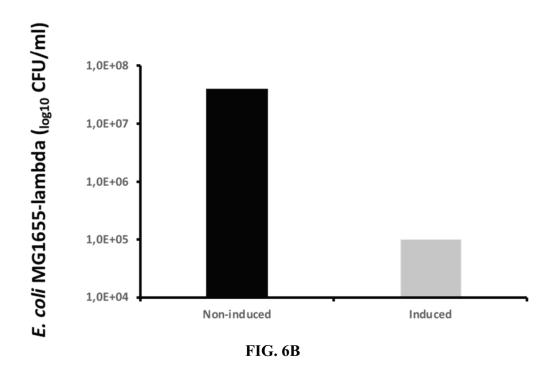


FIG. 6A



SINGLE-VECTOR TYPE I VECTORS

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims priority to Great Britain Patent Application No. 1816700.7, filed Oct. 14, 2018, and Great Britain Patent Application No. 1817509.1, filed Oct. 27, 2018, the contents of each of which are hereby incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

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TECHNICAL FIELD

The invention relates to the production and use of Casencoding sequences and vectors comprising these. Aspects of the invention provide products, vectors, delivery vehicles, 25 uses and methods for producing Cas-encoding sequences in bacterial or archaeal cells.

BACKGROUND

The state of the art describes vectors and uses of these that employ CRISPR/Cas systems. For example, reference is WO2017/118598, made to US20180140698, US20170246221, US20180273940, US20160115488, US20180179547, US20170175142, US20160024510, 35 US20150064138, US20170022499, US20160345578, US20180155729, US20180200342, WO2017112620, WO2018081502, PCT/EP2018/066954, PCT/EP2018/ 066980, PCT/EP2018/071454 and U.S. Ser. No. 15/985,658 Office (USPTO) or WIPO, the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The invention provides the following configurations. In a First Configuration

A nucleic acid vector for introduction into a host cell, the vector comprising a first nucleotide sequence encoding a Type I Cas3 and a second nucleotide sequence encoding one 50 or more Cascade proteins, wherein the first and second sequences are under the control of one or more promoters comprised by the vector for expression of the proteins in the cell.

In an example, the vector comprises an operon for expres- 55 sion in the cell of the Cas3 and Cascade proteins from a Cas module, the module comprising the nucleotide sequences encoding the Cas3 and Cascade proteins, and the operon comprising the Cas module under the control of a promoter proteins.

The invention also provides a delivery vehicle comprising the vector, as well as a pharmaceutical composition comprising the vector or vehicle and a pharmaceutically acceptable diluent, excipient or carrier.

The invention also provides a method of treating or reducing the risk of a disease or condition in a human or 2

animal subject, the method comprising administering the vector, vehicle or composition to the subject, and introducing the vector into target host bacterial or archaeal cells in the subject (eg, in a gut microbiota, lung, eye or blood of the subject), wherein the Cas cuts (or otherwise modifies) one or more target sequences in the target cells and the cells are killed or growth or proliferation of the cells is reduced.

In a Second Configuration

A method of amplifying copies of a DNA encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) in a bacterial or archaeal production strain of cells, the method

- (a) Providing production strain cells, each cell comprising a copy of said DNA, wherein each DNA comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding said Cas, wherein the nucleotide sequence is under the control of a promoter for controlling the expression of the Cas in the production strain cell, the DNA comprising an origin of replication that is operable in the cell for replication of the DNA;
- (b) Culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA, whereby the DNA is amplified; and
- (c) Optionally isolating copies of the DNA,

Optionally wherein the promoter is an attenuated constitutive promoter.

In a Third Configuration

Use of an attenuated promoter in a DNA construct comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) that is under the control of the promoter, in a method of amplifying copies of the DNA in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, for enhancing the yield of amplified DNA produced by the production host cells.

In a Fourth Configuration

Use of an attenuated promoter in a DNA construct comand equivalent publications by the US Patent and Trademark 40 prising a nucleotide sequence encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) that is under the control of the promoter, in a method of amplifying copies of the DNA in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, for reducing toxicity of the Cas in the production strain.

In a Fifth Configuration

Use of an attenuated promoter in a DNA construct comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) that is under the control of the promoter, in a method of amplifying copies of the DNA in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, for reducing mutation of the DNA (optionally the Cas-encoding sequence) in the production strain.

In a Sixth Configuration

Use of an attenuated promoter in a DNA construct comfor controlling the expression of both the Cas3 and Cascade 60 prising a nucleotide sequence encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) that is under the control of the promoter, in a method of amplifying copies of the DNA in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, for promoting production cell viability during the amplification of the DNA.

In a Seventh Configuration

Use of an attenuated promoter in a DNA construct comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) that is under the control of the promoter, in a method of amplifying copies of the DNA in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, for reducing the occurrence of Cas cutting of DNA.

In an Eighth Configuration

A method for enhancing the yield of amplified copies of a DNA construct in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells, wherein the construct comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) that is under the control of a promoter, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, wherein the promoter is an attenuated promoter.

In a Ninth Configuration

A method for reducing toxicity of a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells in a process of amplifying copies of a DNA construct, wherein the construct comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding the Cas and the sequence is 25 under the control of a promoter, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, wherein the promoter is an attenuated promoter.

In a Tenth Configuration

A method for reducing mutation of a DNA construct encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells in a process of amplifying copies of the construct, wherein the construct comprises a nucleotide sequence 35 encoding the Cas and the sequence is under the control of a promoter, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, wherein the promoter is an attenuated promoter.

In an Eleventh Configuration

A method for promoting production cell viability of a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells in a process of amplifying copies of a DNA construct comprised by the cells, wherein the construct comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) and the sequence is under the control of a promoter, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, wherein the promoter is an attenuated promoter.

In a Twelfth Configuration

A method for reducing the occurrence of Cas nuclease cutting of a DNA construct in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells in a process of amplifying copies of the construct, wherein the construct comprises a 55 nucleotide sequence encoding the Cas and the sequence is under the control of a promoter, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, wherein the promoter is an attenuated promoter.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

FIGS. 1A-1C. Type I CRISPR-Cas system of *C. difficile* targeting *E. coli* MG1655. (FIG. 1A) Layout of the CRISPR 65 Guided VectorTM, CGVTM. Plasmid 1: pSC101 ori, pBAD promoter (induced by arabinose), cas3 and cascade genes.

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Plasmid 2: pCloDF13 ori, pTac promoter (induced by IPTG), CRISPR array. (FIG. 1B) Dilution series (10¹-10⁶) of drop spots (5 μl) of *E. coli* MG1655 harboring the CGV on LB agar plates with and without inducers. (FIG. 1C) CRISPR induction killed 99.9% of the population (grey bar). Growth in absence of induction is shown in black. CGVTM refers to a CRISPR Guided VectorTM, which is a nucleic acid vector comprising nucleotide sequences encoding CRISPR/ Cas components.

FIGS. 2A-2C. Type I CRISPR-Cas system of *C. difficile* targeting *E. coli* MG1655. (FIG. 2A) Layout of the CRISPR Guided VectorTM, CGVTM. pSC101 ori, pTac promoter (induced by IPTG), CRISPR array, pBAD promoter (induced by arabinose), cas3 and cascade genes. (FIG. 2B) Dilution
 series (10¹-10⁶) of drop spots (5 μl) of *E. coli* MG1655 harboring the CGV on SM agar plates with and without inducers. (FIG. 2C) CRISPR induction killed 99% of the population (grey bar). Growth in absence of induction is shown in black. CGVTM refers to a CRISPR Guided VectorTM, which is a nucleic acid vector comprising nucleotide sequences encoding CRISPR/Cas components.

FIGS. **3**A-**3**B. Time-kill curves for *E. coli* MG1655 harboring the CGV. (FIG. **3**A) CRISPR induction killed 99% of the population in 60 minutes (dashed line). Growth in absence of induction is shown in black lines. CRISPR/Cas was induced at time-point 0 and monitored until 120 minutes. (FIG. **3**B) Dilution series (10¹-10⁶) of drop spots (5 μl) on SM agar plates of *E. coli* MG1655 after 60 minutes of induction.

FIGS. 4A-4B. Specific killing of *E. coli* MG1655 with type I-B CRISPR-Cas system of *C. difficile* in a synthetic microbial consortium. (FIG. 4A) Bacteria count of a synthetic population composed of three different strains. CRISPR was induced at time-point 0 and monitored for 60 minutes. Growth in absence of induction is shown in black. CRISPR induction prompted 1-log₁₀ reduction in viable cells of target strain *E. coli* MG1655, while leaving *E. coli* Top10 and *L. lactis* NZ9000 populations intact (dark grey bars). (FIG. 4B) Dilution series (10¹-10⁶) of drop spots (5 µl) of the bacterial community mixture after 60 minutes of induction. *E. coli* MG1655 grows selectively on BHI+ streptomycin, *E. coli* Top10 on ampicillin, and *L. lactis* NZ9000 on chloramphenicol.

FIGS. 5A-5B. Killing of *E. coli* MG1655 with type I-B CRISPR-Cas system of *C. difficile* in a synthetic microbial consortium compared to a pure culture of *E. coli* MG1655. (FIG. 5A) CRISPR induction generated 4-log₁₀ reductions in viable cells of target strain *E. coli* MG1655, both in the pure culture and in the community mixture (grey bars). Growth in absence of induction is shown in black. (FIG. 5B) Dilution series of a pure culture of *E. coli* MG1655 and the bacterial community mixture on streptomycin plates with and without inducers.

FIGS. **6**A-**6**B. Type I CRISPR-Cas system of *E. coli* targeting *E. coli* MG1655. (FIG. **6**A) Dilution series (10¹-10°) of drop spots (5 μl) of *E. coli* MG1655 harboring the CGV on SM agar plates with and without inducers. (FIG. **6**B) CRISPR induction killed 99% of the population (grey bar). Growth in absence of induction is shown in black. CGVTM refers to a CRISPR Guided VectorTM, which is a nucleic acid vector comprising nucleotide sequences encoding CRISPR/Cas components.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

The invention relates to the production and use of Casencoding sequences and vectors comprising these. Aspects

of the invention provide products, vectors, delivery vehicles, uses and methods for producing Cas-encoding sequences in bacterial or archaeal cells.

An aspect of the invention provides for the control of expression of Cas and optionally also Cascade proteins from 5 single vectors, such as by regulated use of Cas modules in an operon and/or using attenuated promoters.

Concepts:

An aspect of the invention provides nucleic acid vectors that are useful for introducing into target host cells of any 10 eukaryotic or prokaryotic species (eg, ex vivo or in vitro) for expressing Type I Cas and optionally other components of a Type I CRISPR/Cas system. Usefully, the vector may in some examples therefore provide a single-vector means for introducing a complete exogenous Type I CRISPR/Cas 15 system into a target cell for modification (eg, cutting by Cas3) of DNA in the target cell. In an example, a chromosomal target sequence (ie, protospacer that is cognate with the Cas3) is modified. In another example, an episomal DNA sequence is modified, for example a plasmid sequence 20 or a DNA that has been introduced into the cell. The latter may be useful in a recombineering method of the invention wherein exogenous DNA in the target cell is cut by the Cas3 and optionally this produces one or more recombinogenic ends for recombination of the cut DNA with a further DNA 25 of interest, thereby producing a recombination product in the cell. For example, in such a recombineering method, the target cell is a recombinongenic E coli cell, eg, comprising a red/ET system. In another example, the target cell is an undesired cell (eg, a cell of a species or strain that is 30 pathogenic to humans or animals, such as a bacterial disease-causing species or strain) and the cutting by Cas3 kills the cell. This may be useful for treating or preventing an infection in a human or animal harbouring target cells. The provision of single-vector means that express minimally a 35 Cas endonuclease (eg, Cas3), cognate accessory proteins (eg, Cascade proteins) and at least one CRISPR array (or nucleotide sequence encoding a guide RNA (eg, a single guide RNA)), wherein the Cas, accessory proteins and array (or nucleotide sequence) comprise a functional CRISPR/Cas 40 system is more convenient and the inventors believe more efficient for introducing into a target cell and effecting CRISPR/Cas modification of a target sequence therein than the use of 2 or 3 or more separate vectors (eg, a vector encoding the Cas nuclease and a different vector encoding 45 the accessory proteins, and possibly a further vector comprising the array (or gRNA-encoding nucleotide sequence) which all need to transform the target cell for the system to function). This may provide one or more benefits, therefore, such as simplifying delivery (and thus the design of delivery 50 vehicles), simplifying construction of the vector and vehicle and/or providing for better cutting or killing efficiencies. Conveniently, an example of the invention therefore uses an operon for the coordinated expression in the target cells of the Cas and accessory proteins (and optionally also the array 55 or gRNA-encoding sequence(s)). Whilst not wishing to be bound by any particular theory, the introduction of a single vector (eg, using an operon) as per the invention may advantageously coordinate the expression of the Cas and accessory proteins (and optionally production of cRNAs or 60 gRNAs) so that these are available to operate together without undue delay in the target cell. This may be important to tip the balance between, on the one hand the target cell using its endogenous anti-restriction, endogenous Cas or other endogenous mechanisms that seek out and degrade 65 invading phage and DNA, and on the other hand efficient cell killing or deactivation of such mechanisms by the

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invading CRISPR components of the vector of the invention. In such an arms race, concerted and early operation of the CRISPR components in the cell are likely to be important to gain the upper hand and effect cell killing. The invention provides means to assist this.

By way of example, the invention thus provides the following Concepts:

- 1. A nucleic acid vector for introduction into a host cell, the vector comprising a first nucleotide sequence encoding a Type I Cas3 and a second nucleotide sequence encoding one or more Cascade proteins, wherein the first and second sequences are under the control of one or more promoters comprised by the vector for expression of the proteins in the cell.
- 2. The vector of concept 1, wherein the vector comprises an operon for expression in the cell of the Cas3 and Cascade proteins from a Cas module, the module comprising the nucleotide sequences encoding the Cas3 and Cascade proteins, and the operon comprising the Cas module under the control of a promoter for controlling the expression of both the Cas3 and Cascade proteins.
- 3. The vector of concept 2, wherein
 - (a) the first sequence is between the promoter and the second sequence in the operon;
 - (b) the operon comprises no Cas-encoding nucleotide sequences between the promoter and the first nucleotide sequence; and/or
 - (c) the operon comprises (in 5' to 3' direction) the promoter, the first sequence and the second sequence.
- 4. The vector of any preceding concept, wherein each promoter is a constitutive promoter.
- 5. The vector of any one of concepts 1 to 3, wherein the promoter is repressible (optionally repressible by a tetracycline repressor or lac repressor).
- 6. The vector of any one of concepts 1 to 3, wherein the promoter is inducible.
- The vector of any preceding concept, wherein the first sequence is under the control of a medium strength promoter.
- 8. The vector of any preceding concept, wherein the first sequence is under the control of a promoter that has an Anderson Score (AS) of 0.5>AS>0.1.
- 9. The vector of any preceding concept, wherein the first sequence (and optionally the second sequence) is under the control of a promoter and translation initiation site (TIS) combination that is capable of producing expression of green fluorescent protein (GFP) from a first expression operating unit (EOU) in E. coli strain BW25113 cells with a fluorescence of from 0.5 to 4 times the fluorescence produced in E. coli strain BW25113 cells using a second EOU comprising a P10 promoter (SEQ ID NO: 1) combined with a BCD14 TIS (SEO ID NO: 2), wherein the EOUs differ only in their promoter and TIS combinations, wherein each EOU comprises (in 5' to 3' direction) an upstream initiator, the respective promoter, the respective TIS, a nucleotide sequence encoding GFP, a 3' UTR, a transcription terminator and a downstream insulator.
- The vector of concept 9, wherein fluorescence using the first EOU is 0.5 to 2 times the fluorescence using the second EOU.
- 11. The vector of any preceding concept, wherein the vector comprises an origin of replication that is operable in the host cell.

- 12. The vector of any preceding concept, wherein the vector comprises an origin of replication that is operable in a bacterial cell of a vector production strain, wherein the Cas3 is not operable in the production strain cell to target and cut a chromosomal sequence thereof.
- 13. The vector of concept 12, wherein the first sequence is under the control of a promoter that is capable of controlling expression of the Cas3 at a level that is not toxic to the production strain cell.
- 14. The vector of any preceding concept, wherein the vector is a high copy number vector.
- 15. The vector of any preceding concept, wherein the first nucleotide sequence or operon is comprised by a mobile genetic element.
- 16. The vector of any preceding concept, wherein the vector is devoid of a Cas adaption module.
- 17. The vector of any preceding concept, wherein the vector is devoid of nucleotide sequence encoding one, 20 more or all of a Cas1, Cas2, Cas4, Cas6, Cas7 and Cas 8.
- 18. The vector of any preceding concept, wherein the vector comprises (optionally in 5' to 3' direction) nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of 25 Cas11, Cas7 and Cas8a1.
- The vector of concept 18, wherein the vector comprises nucleotide sequence encoding Cas3' and/or Cas3".
- 20. The vector or concept 19, wherein the nucleotide 30 sequences encoding the Cas3' and/or Cas3" are between the promoter and the sequence(s) recited in concept 18.
- 21. The vector of any one of concepts 18 to 20, wherein the host cell comprises a Type IA CRISPR array that is 35 cognate with the Cas3.
- 22. The vector of any one of concepts 18 to 20, wherein the host cell comprises an endogenous Type IB, C, U, D, E or F CRISPR/Cas system.
- 23. The vector of any one of concepts 1 to 17, wherein the 40 vector comprises (optionally in 5' to 3' direction) nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of Cas8b1, Cas7 and Cas5.
- 24. The vector of concept 23, wherein the vector comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas3 between 45 the promoter and the sequence(s) recited in concept 23.
- 25. The vector of concept 23 or 24, wherein the host cell comprises a Type IB CRISPR array that is cognate with the Cas3.
- 26. The vector of concept 23 or 24, wherein the host cell 50 comprises an endogenous Type IA, C, U, D, E or F CRISPR/Cas system.
- 27. The vector of any one of concepts 1 to 17, wherein the vector comprises (optionally in 5' to 3' direction) nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of Cas5, 55 Cas8c and Cas7.
- 28. The vector of concept 27, wherein the vector comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas3 between the promoter and the sequence(s) recited in concept 27.
- 29. The vector of concept 27 or 28, wherein the host cell 60 comprises a Type IC CRISPR array that is cognate with the Cas3.
- 30. The vector of concept 27 or 28, wherein the host cell comprises an endogenous Type IA, B, U, D, E or F CRISPR/Cas system.
- 31. The vector of any one of concepts 1 to 17, wherein the vector comprises (optionally in 5' to 3' direction)

- nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of Cas8U2, Cas7, Cas5 and Cas6.
- 32. The vector of concept 31, wherein the vector comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas3 between the promoter and the sequence(s) recited in concept 31.
- 33. The vector of concept 31 or 32, wherein the host cell comprises a Type IU CRISPR array that is cognate with the Cas3
- 34. The vector of concept 31 or 32, wherein the host cell comprises an endogenous Type IA, B, C, D, E or F CRISPR/Cas system.
- 35. The vector of any one of concepts 1 to 17, wherein the vector comprises (optionally in 5' to 3' direction) nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of Cas10d, Cas7 and Cas5.
- 36. The vector of concept 35, wherein the vector comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas3' and/or Cas3"
- 37. The vector of concept 36, wherein the nucleotide sequences encoding the Cas3' and/or Cas3" are between the promoter and the sequence(s) recited in concept 35.
- 38. The vector of any one of concepts 35 to 37, wherein the host cell comprises a Type ID CRISPR array that is cognate with the Cas3.
- 39. The vector of any one of concepts 35 to 37, wherein the host cell comprises an endogenous Type IA, B, C, U, E or F CRISPR/Cas system.
- 40. The vector of any one of concepts 1 to 17, wherein the vector comprises (optionally in 5' to 3' direction) nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of Cas8e, Cas11, Cas7, Cas5 and Cas6.
- 41. The vector of concept 40, wherein the vector comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas3 between the promoter and the sequence(s) recited in concept 40.
- 42. The vector of concept 40 or 41, wherein the host cell comprises a Type IE CRISPR array that is cognate with the Cas3
- 43. The vector of concept 40 or 41, wherein the host cell comprises an endogenous Type IA, B, C, D, U or F CRISPR/Cas system.
- 44. The vector of any one of concepts 1 to 17, wherein the vector comprises (optionally in 5' to 3' direction) nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of Cas8f, Cas5, Cas7 and Cas6f.
- 45. The vector of concept 44, wherein the vector comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas3 between the promoter and the sequence(s) recited in concept 44, wherein the vector is devoid of nucleotide sequence encoding further Cas between the promoter and the sequence encoding the Cas3.
- 46. The vector of concept 44 or 45, wherein the host cell comprises a Type IF CRISPR array that is cognate with the Cas3.
- 47. The vector of concept 44 or 45, wherein the host cell comprises an endogenous Type IA, B, C, D, U or E CRISPR/Cas system.
- 48. The vector of any one of concepts 1 to 17, wherein the Cas and Cascade are
 - (a) Type IA Cas and Cascade proteins;
 - (b) Type IB Cas and Cascade proteins;
 - (c) Type IC Cas and Cascade proteins;
 - (d) Type ID Cas and Cascade proteins;
 - (e) Type IE Cas and Cascade proteins;(f) Type IF Cas and Cascade proteins; or
 - (g) Type IU Cas and Cascade proteins.

- 49. The vector of any preceding concept, wherein the Cas and Cascade are *E coli* (optionally Type IE or IF) Cas and Cascade proteins.
- 50. The vector of concept 49, wherein the *E coli* is ESBL-producing *E. coli* or *E. coli* ST131-O25b:H4.
- 51. The vector of any preceding concept, wherein the Cas and Cascade are
 - (a) Clostridium (eg, C difficile) Cas and Cascade proteins, optionally C difficile resistant to one or more antibiotics selected from aminoglycosides, lincomycin, tetracyclines, erythromycin, clindamycin, penicillins, cephalosporins and fluoroquinolones;
 - (b) *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* Cas and Cascade proteins, optionally *P aeruginosa* resistant to one or more antibiotics selected from carbapenems, aminoglycosides, cefepime, ceftazidime, fluoroquinolones, piperacillin and tazobactam; or
 - (c) Klebsiella pneumoniae (eg, carbapenem-resistant Klebsiella pneumoniae or Extended-Spectrum Beta- 20 Lactamase (ESBL)-producing K pneumoniae) Cas and Cascade proteins.
- 52. The vector of any preceding concept, wherein the Cas and Cascade are *E coli*, *C difficile*, *P aeruginosa*, *K pneumoniae*, *P furiosus* or *B halodurans* Cas and 25 Cascade proteins.
- 53. The vector of any preceding concept, wherein the Cas3 is a Cas3 of a CRISPR/Cas locus of a first bacterial or archaeal species, wherein the distance between the Cas3-encoding sequence of the locus and 30 its cognate promoter is further than the distance between the Cas3-encoding sequence and the respective promoter comprised by the vector.
- 54. The vector of any preceding concept, wherein the distance between the promoter and the Cas3-encoding 35 sequence and/or Cascade protein-encoding sequence(s) is shorter than in a corresponding wild-type Type I locus.
- 55. The vector of any preceding concept, wherein the vector comprises (i) a CRISPR array for producing 40 crRNAs in the host cell and/or (ii) one or more nucleotide sequences encoding one or more guide RNAs (gRNAs or single gRNAs), wherein the crRNAs or gRNAs are cognate to the Cas3 (and optionally cognate to the Cascade proteins).
- 56. The vector of concept 55 when dependent from concept 2, wherein the array or gRNA-encoding sequence(s) are comprised by the operon and under the control of the promoter.
- 57. The vector of concept 56, wherein the array or 50 gRNA-encoding sequence(s) are under the control of a promoter that is different from the promoter that controls the expression of the Cas3.
- 58. The vector of concept 56 or 57, wherein one or more of the crRNAs or gRNAs comprises a spacer sequence 55 that is capable of hybridising to a target nucleotide sequence of the host cell, wherein the target sequence is adjacent a PAM, the PAM being cognate to the Cas3.
- 59. The vector of concept 58, wherein the target sequence is a chromosomal sequence of the host cell.
- 60. The vector of concept 58 or 59, wherein the Cas3 is operable to cut the target sequence.
- 61. The vector of any preceding concept, wherein the vector is a plasmid or phagemid.
- 62. A delivery vehicle comprising the vector of any 65 preceding concept, wherein the delivery vehicle is capable of delivering the vector into the host cell.

- 63. The vehicle of concept 62, wherein the delivery vehicle is a phage, non-replicative transduction particle, nanoparticle carrier, bacterium or liposome.
- 64. The vector or vehicle of any preceding concept, wherein the host cell is a bacterial or archaeal cell, optionally, the host cell is a *C difficile, P aeruginosa, K pneumoniae* (eg, carbapenem-resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae* or Extended-Spectrum Beta-Lactamase (ESBL)-producing *K pneumoniae*), *E coli* (eg, ESBL-producing *E. coli*, or *E. coli* ST131-O25b:H4), *H pylori, S pneumoniae* or *S aureus* cell.
- 65. The vector or vehicle of any preceding concept for administration to a human or animal subject for treating or reducing the risk of a disease or condition in the subject.
- 66. The vector or vehicle of concept 65, wherein the disease or condition is an infection of the subject with host cells (eg, bacterial cells), or wherein the disease or condition is mediated by host cells (eg, bacterial cells).
- 67. A pharmaceutical composition comprising the vector or vehicle of any preceding concept and a pharmaceutically acceptable diluent, excipient or carrier.
- 68. A method of treating or reducing the risk of a disease or condition in a human or animal subject, the method comprising administering the vector, vehicle or composition of any preceding concept to the subject, and introducing the vector into target host bacterial or archaeal cells in the subject (eg, in a gut microbiota, lung, eye or blood of the subject), wherein the Cas cuts (or otherwise modifies) one or more target sequences in the target cells and the cells are killed or growth or proliferation of the cells is reduced.
- 69. The method of concept 68, wherein the target cells are cells of a disease pathogen species.
- 70. The method of concept 68 or 69, wherein the target cells are *C difficile*, *P aeruginosa*, *K pneumoniae* (eg, carbapenem-resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae* or Extended-Spectrum Beta-Lactamase (ESBL)-producing *K pneumoniae*), *E coli* (eg, ESBL-producing *E. coli*, or *E. coli* ST131-O25b:H4), *H pylori*, *S pneumoniae* or *S aureus* cells.

EMBODIMENTS

An aspect of the invention provides improved ways of amplifying DNA constructs in bacterial and archaeal production strain cells. For example, the DNA may be a high copy number plasmid or phagemid comprising a constitutive promoter for controlling the expression of one or more Cas proteins when the DNA has been introduced into a target host bacterial or host cell. It is desirable, according to an aspect of the invention, to consider attenuating the promoter activity during amplification of the DNA in the production strain. This is useful, since the inventors have found that Cas expression in production strains may be toxic to production strain cells, thereby reducing the yield of amplified DNA. Toxicity may be due, for example, to off-target cutting of the production strain chromosomal DNA when the Cas is a nuclease (such as Cas9 or Cas3) and/or due to relatively high 60 levels of expression of the Cas in the cells. Additionally or alternatively, undesirably the Cas expression or activity may impose a selective pressure that favours mutation and propagation of mutated DNA constructs (such as mutation in one more or all of a CRISPR/Cas operon, Cas-encoding gene, Cascade-encoding gene, CRISPR array and gRNa-encoding sequence of the DNA construct) in production cells, thereby reducing the yield of desired amplified constructs and

imposing an undesired step of separating desired from mutated DNA constructs for further formulation into useful compositions. Such compositions may be pharmaceutical compositions, herbicides, pesticides, environmental remediation compositions etc. In one example, the promoter 5 attenuation in production strains is achieved by using a medium strength (not high or low) promoter to control the Cas-encoding nucleotide sequence of the DNA constructs. A medium level of Cas expression may be tolerable in the production strains, and yet once the DNA is subsequently 10 introduced into target host cells the Cas is expressed at sufficiently high levels to produce desired activity to modify (eg, cut) target sequences in target cells. In an alternative, the invention uses a repressible promoter, wherein the promoter is repressed in production strain, but not repressed in target 15 host cells. For example, aspects of the invention use a tetracycline repressor (tetR) expressed in production strain cells that represses the promoter.

Thus, the yield can be enhanced by one or more of

- (a) reducing toxicity of the Cas in the production strain; 20
- (b) reducing mutation of the DNA (optionally the Casencoding sequence) in the production strain;
- (c) promoting production cell viability during the amplification of the DNA; and
- (d) reducing the occurrence of Cas cutting of DNA 25 (optionally cutting of production host cell chromosomal DNA or said DNA construct).

To this end, the invention provides Embodiments as follows:

- A method of amplifying copies of a DNA encoding a 30 functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) in a bacterial or archaeal production strain of cells, the method comprising
 - (a) Providing production strain cells, each cell comprising a copy of said DNA, wherein each DNA 35 comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding said Cas, wherein the nucleotide sequence is under the control of a promoter for controlling the expression of the Cas in the production strain cell, the DNA comprising an origin of replication that is operable in the cell 40 for replication of the DNA;
 - (b) Culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA, whereby the DNA is amplified; and
 - (c) Optionally isolating copies of the DNA,
 - wherein the promoter is an attenuated constitutive 45 promoter.
- In an example, promoter is a medium strength promoter. In another example, the promoter is repressed in the production strain cell. Hence, the promoter is an attenuated promoter in these examples.
- Use of an attenuated promoter in a DNA construct comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) that is under the control of the promoter, in a method of amplifying copies of the DNA in a population of 55 bacterial or archaeal production strain cells, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, for enhancing the yield of amplified DNA produced by the production host cells.
- 3. The use of paragraph 2, wherein the use is for enhancing said yield by
 - ing said yield by
 (a) reducing toxicity of the Cas in the production strain;
 - (b) reducing mutation of the DNA (optionally the Cas-encoding sequence) in the production strain;
 - (c) promoting production cell viability during the amplification of the DNA; and/or

- (d) reducing the occurrence of Cas cutting of DNA (optionally cutting of production host cell chromosomal DNA or said DNA construct).
- 4. Use of an attenuated promoter in a DNA construct comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) that is under the control of the promoter, in a method of amplifying copies of the DNA in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, for reducing toxicity of the Cas in the production strain.
- 5. Use of an attenuated promoter in a DNA construct comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) that is under the control of the promoter, in a method of amplifying copies of the DNA in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, for reducing mutation of the DNA (optionally the Casencoding sequence) in the production strain.
- 6. Use of an attenuated promoter in a DNA construct comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) that is under the control of the promoter, in a method of amplifying copies of the DNA in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, for promoting production cell viability during the amplification of the DNA.
- 7. Use of an attenuated promoter in a DNA construct comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) that is under the control of the promoter, in a method of amplifying copies of the DNA in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, for reducing the occurrence of Cas cutting of DNA.
- 8. A method for enhancing the yield of amplified copies of a DNA construct in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells, wherein the construct comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) that is under the control of a promoter, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, wherein the promoter is an attenuated promoter.
- 9. A method for reducing toxicity of a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells in a process of amplifying copies of a DNA construct, wherein the construct comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding the Cas and the sequence is under the control of a promoter, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, wherein the promoter is an attenuated promoter.
- 10. A method for reducing mutation of a DNA construct encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells in a process of amplifying copies of the construct, wherein the construct comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding the Cas and the sequence is under the control of a promoter, the method com-

prising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, wherein the promoter is an attenuated promoter.

- 11. A method for promoting production cell viability of a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells in a process of amplifying copies of a DNA construct comprised by the cells, wherein the construct comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) and the sequence is under the control of a promoter, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, wherein the promoter is an attenuated promoter.
- 12. A method for reducing the occurrence of Cas nuclease cutting of a DNA construct in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells in a process of amplifying copies of the construct, wherein the construct comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding the Cas and the sequence is under the control of a promoter, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, wherein the promoter is an attenuated promoter.
- 13. The use of paragraph 5 or 7, or the method of 25 paragraph 10 or 12, wherein the mutation or cutting is mutation or cutting of host cell chromosomal DNA or the construct DNA.
- 14. The method or use of any one of paragraphs 2 to 13, wherein the promoter is a constitutive promoter.
- 15. The method or use of any preceding paragraph, wherein the promoter is repressed in the production strain cells (optionally repressed by a tetracycline repressor or a lac repressor).
- The method or use of paragraph 15, wherein the 35 promoter is P_{tetO-1}, P_{LlacO-1} or a repressible homologue thereof.
- Other examples of suitable repressible promoters are Ptac (repressed by lacI) and the Leftward promoter (pL) of phage lambda (which repressed by the λcI repressor). 40 In an example, the promoter comprises a repressible operator (eg, tetO or lacO) fused to a promoter sequence. The corresponding repressor is encoded by a nucleic acid in the production strain (eg, a chromosomally-integrated sequence or a sequence comprised by 45 an episome) and the repressor is expressed during the DNA or vector amplification method of the invention. whereby the promoter controlling Cas expression is repressed. In delivery vehicles that are subsequently produced from isolated amplified DNA/vector, the 50 vehicle is devoid of an expressible nucleotide sequence encoding the repressor, whereby the promoter is functional when the DNA/vector is introduced into a target host cell. For example, in the absence of the repressor the promoter is constitutively ON for expression of the 55 Cas. The system is therefore primed to work once the DNA/vector is introduced into the host cells, and this effect can be enhanced further by using a high copy number DNA/vector comprising an origin of replication that is operable in the host cell. A high copy 60 number vector or DNA is also desirable in the production strain cells for enhancing yield of the DNA/vector, and by use of an attenuated promoter as described herein (eg, medium strength promoter and/or repressed promoter in the production strain cells) one can mini- 65 mise Cas toxicity whilst culturing to maximise amplification and thus yield of the DNA/vector.

- 17. The method or use of any preceding paragraph, wherein the promoter is a medium strength promoter.
- 18. The method or use of any preceding paragraph, wherein the promoter has an Anderson Score (AS) of 0.5>AS>0.1.
- 19. The method or use of any preceding paragraph, wherein the nucleotide sequence encoding said Cas is under the control of a promoter and translation initiation site (TIS) combination that is capable of producing expression of green fluorescent protein (GFP) from a first expression operating unit (EOU) in E. coli strain BW25113 cells with a fluorescence of from 0.5 to 4 times the fluorescence produced in E. coli strain BW25113 cells using a second EOU comprising a P10 promoter (SEQ ID NO: 1) combined with a BCD14 TIS (SEQ ID NO: 2), wherein the EOUs differ only in their promoter and TIS combinations, wherein each EOU comprises (in 5' to 3' direction) an upstream initiator, the respective promoter, the respective TIS, a nucleotide sequence encoding GFP, a 3' UTR, a transcription terminator and a downstream insulator.
- 20. The method or use of paragraph 19, wherein fluorescence using the first EOU is 0.5 to 2 times the fluorescence using the second EOU.
- 21. The method or use of any preceding paragraph, wherein the nuclease is Cas3 and optionally the DNA or cell encodes cognate Cascade proteins.
- 22. The method or use of any one of paragraphs 1 to 20, wherein the Cas is a Cas9.
- 23. The method or use of any preceding paragraph, wherein the production strain cells comprise a helper phage genome that is inducible to produce phage coat proteins in the cells, wherein the method further comprises inducing production of the phage proteins and causing packaging of the amplified DNA into phage particles or non-self-replicative transduction particles, and further isolating the phage or transduction particles and optionally formulating the particles into a pharmaceutical composition for administration to a human or animal subject for treating or reducing the risk of a disease or condition in the subject.
- 24. The method or use of paragraph 23, wherein the particles are capable of infecting target host cells in the subject and transducing the cells with the DNA, wherein the Cas and crRNAs (or guide RNAs, gRNAs) encoded by the DNA are expressed in the cells, the crRNAs or (gRNAs) being operable to guide the Cas to a target nucleotide sequence (optionally a chromosomal sequence) comprised by the cells, wherein the Cas cuts the target sequences in the cells, thereby killing host cells and treating or reducing the risk of the disease or condition.
- 25. The method or use of paragraph 24, wherein the host cells are bacterial or archaeal cells, optionally, the host cells are *C difficile*, *P aeruginosa*, *K pneumoniae* (eg, carbapenem-resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae* or Extended-Spectrum Beta-Lactamase (ESBL)-producing *K pneumoniae*), *E coli* (eg, ESBL-producing *E. coli*, or *E. coli* ST131-O25b:H4), *H pylori*, *S pneumoniae* or *S aureus* cells.
- 26. The method or use of any preceding paragraph, wherein each DNA is comprised by a high copy number plasmid or phagemid.
- 27. The method or use of any preceding paragraph, wherein the DNA construct comprises one or more

nucleotide sequences for producing crRNAs or gRNAs that are operable for Cas nuclease targeting in target host cells.

Paragraphs & Generally Applicable Features

The invention provides the following Paragraphs, which are supported by the Examples below. Any features of the Concepts are combinable with any features of the Embodiments. Any features of the Concepts are combinable with any features of the Paragraphs are combinable with any features of the Embodiments.

Any cell herein (eg, a production strain cell or target host cell) may be a bacterial cell, archaeal cell, algal cell, fungal cell, protozoan cell, invertebrate cell, vertebrate cell, fish cell, bird cell, mammal cell, companion animal cell, dog cell, cat cell, horse cell, mouse cell, rat cell, rabbit cell, eukaryotic cell, prokaryotic cell, human cell, animal cell, rodent cell, insect cell or plant cell. Preferably, the cell is a bacterial cell. Alternatively, the cell is a human cell. Optionally, the production strain cell(s) and target host cell(s) are of the same phylum, order, family, genus, species or strain.

- A nucleic acid vector for introduction into a host cell, 25
 the vector comprising a first nucleotide sequence
 encoding a Type I Cas3, wherein the sequence is under
 the control of a promoter comprised by the vector for
 expression of the Cas3 in the cell.
- In an example, the vector is a DNA vector, eg, ssDNA ³⁰ vector or dsDNA vector.
- 2. The vector of paragraph 1, wherein the vector comprises a second nucleotide sequence encoding one or more Cascade proteins, wherein the first and second sequences are under the control of one or more promoters comprised by the vector for expression of the proteins in the cell.
- 3. The vector of paragraph 2, wherein the Cascade protein(s) are cognate with the Cas3.
- In an example, the Cas3 is cognate with Cascade proteins encoded by the host cell and/or encoded by a second operon. Optionally, the second operon is comprised by the vector. Optionally, the second operon is comprised by a second vector that is capable of introducing the 45 second operon into the host cell, whereby the Cas3 and Cascade proteins are expressed from the operons in the host cell and are operable with crRNA or gRNA to target the Cas to a host cell target sequence, wherein the Cas3 is capable of modifying the target sequence.
- 4. The vector of paragraph 2 or 3, wherein the vector comprises an operon for expression in the cell of the Cas3 and Cascade proteins from a Cas module, the module comprising the nucleotide sequences encoding the Cas3 and Cascade proteins, and the operon comprising the Cas module under the control of a promoter for controlling the expression of both the Cas3 and Cascade proteins.
- The term "operon" is known to the skilled person such as relating to a functioning unit of DNA containing at least 60 expressible 2 nucleotide sequences respectively encoding for an expression product (eg, a respective translatable mRNA), wherein the sequences are under common promoter control.
- 5. The vector of paragraph 4, wherein the first sequence 65 is between the promoter and the second sequence in the operon.

- 6. The vector of paragraph 4 or 5, wherein the operon comprises no Cas-encoding nucleotide sequences between the promoter and the first nucleotide sequence.
- Optionally, the Cas3 is a Cas3 encoded by a CRISPR/Cas locus of a first bacterial or archaeal species, wherein in the locus the Cas3-encoding sequence is 3' of Cascade protein-encoding sequences (ie, the latter are between the Cas3 and the 5'-most promoter of the locus).
- Optionally, the Cas3 is a ygcB protein (eg, wherein the production strain cell and/or host target cell is an *E coli*).
- Optionally, the Cascade proteins comprise or consist of cas5 (casD, csy2)
- cas6 (cas6f, cse3, casE)
- cas7 (csc2, csy3, cse4, casC)
- cas8 (casA, cas8a1, cas8b1, cas8c, cas10d, cas8e, cse1, cas8f, csy1).
- Optionally herein the promoter and the Cas3-encoding sequence are spaced no more than 150, 100, 50, 40, 30, 20 or 10 bp apart, eg, from 30-45, or 30-40, or 39 or around 39 bp apart.
- Optionally herein a ribosome binding site and the Cas3-encoding sequence are spaced no more than 20, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 4 or 3 bp apart, eg, from 10-5, 6 or around 6 bp apart.
- 7. The vector of any one of paragraphs 4 to 6, wherein the operon comprises (in 5' to 3' direction) the promoter, the first sequence and the second sequence.
- 8. The vector of any preceding paragraph, wherein each promoter is a constitutive promoter.
- 9. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 7, wherein the promoter is repressible (optionally repressible by a tetracycline repressor or lac repressor).
- 10. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 7, wherein the promoter is inducible.
- 11. The vector of any preceding paragraph, wherein the first sequence is under the control of a weak promoter.
- 12. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 7, wherein the first sequence is under the control of a medium strength promoter.
- 13. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 7, wherein the first sequence is under the control of a strong promoter.
- In an example, the promoter is in combination with a Shine-Dalgarno sequence comprising the sequence 5'-aaagaggagaaa-3' (SEQ ID NO: 5) or a ribosome binding site homologue thereof.
- 14. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 7, wherein the first sequence is under the control of a promoter that has an Anderson Score (AS) of AS≥0.5.
- See Table 2 for more information on Anderson Scores in relation to promoters.
- 15. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 7, wherein the first sequence is under the control of a promoter that has an Anderson Score (AS) of 0.5>AS>0.1.
- 16. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 7, wherein the first sequence is under the control of a promoter that has an Anderson Score (AS) of ≤0.1.
- 17. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 7, wherein the first sequence (and optionally the second sequence) is under the control of a promoter and translation initiation site (TIS) combination that is capable of producing expression of green fluorescent protein (GFP) from a first expression operating unit (EOU) in *E. coli* strain BW25113 cells with a fluorescence of from 0.5 to 4 times the fluorescence produced in *E. coli* strain BW25113 cells using a second EOU comprising

a P10 promoter (SEQ ID NO: 1) combined with a BCD14 TIS (SEQ ID NO: 2), wherein the EOUs differ only in their promoter and TIS combinations, wherein each EOU comprises (in 5' to 3' direction) an upstream initiator, the respective promoter, the respective TIS, a nucleotide sequence encoding GFP, a 3' UTR, a transcription terminator and a downstream insulator.

18. The vector of paragraph 17, wherein fluorescence using the first EOU is 0.5 to 2 times the fluorescence using the second EOU.

For example, fluorescence using the first EOU is 0.5 to X times the fluorescence using the second EOU, wherein X is from 3.0 to 1.0, eg, 3, 2.5, 2, 1.5 or 1, wherein fluorescence is determined using excitation at 481 nm and emission at 507 nm. Optionally, *E coli* cultures at OD600 of 0.3-0.5 in the exponential growth phase are used.

For example, the upstream insulator, the nucleotide sequence encoding GFP, 3' UTR, transcription terminator and downstream insulator of each EOU are as disclosed in Mutalik et al (2013). For example, the upstream insulator, the nucleotide sequence encoding GFP, 3' UTR, transcription terminator and downstream insulator of each EOU are corresponding sequences of 25 SEQ ID NO: 4. For example, the *E coli* is *E. coli* BW25113 is grown in MOPS EZ Rich Medium (Teknova) supplemented with 50 μg/ml kanamycin (kan) at 37° C., shaken at 900 r.p.m. For example, each EOUs is comprised by a medium copy plasmid, eg, a 30 plasmid derived from pFAB217 comprising a p15A replication origin and a kan resistance gene.

19. The vector of any preceding paragraph, wherein the vector comprises an origin of replication that is operable in the host cell.

20. The vector of any preceding paragraph, wherein the vector comprises an origin of replication that is operable in a bacterial cell of a vector production strain, wherein the Cas3 is not operable in the production strain cell to target and cut a chromosomal sequence 40 thereof.

An example of a production strain cell is an *E coli* cell. A production strain cell is a cell that is used to amplify DNA encoding Cas (and optionally other components of a CRISPR/Cas system). Usefully, the strain may 45 package the amplified DNA into transduction particles that are may be isolated to produce a composition that can be contacted with a population of target host cells (eg, bacterial, archaeal, prokaryotic, eukaryotic, human, animal, mammal, rodent, mouse, rat, rabbit, 50 Xenopus, fish, bird, amphibian, insect, plant, amoeba or algae cells) wherein the DNA is introduced into the cells for expression of the Cas (and optional other CRISPR/Cas system components), wherein the Cas is guided to a protospacer target sequence in the host cells 55 and modifies (eg, cuts) the sequence. In another example, the amplified DNA isolated from a population of production strain cells and is combined with a delivery vehicle (eg, a carrier bacterium, nanoparticle or liposome), wherein the delivery vehicle can be 60 contacted with a population of target host cells (eg, bacterial, archaeal, prokaryotic, eukaryotic, human, animal, mammal, rodent, mouse, rat, rabbit, *Xenopus*, fish, bird, amphibian, insect, plant, amoeba or algae cells) wherein the DNA is introduced into the cells for 65 expression of the Cas (and optional other CRISPR/Cas system components), wherein the Cas is guided to a

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protospacer target sequence in the host cells and modifies (eg, cuts) the sequence.

21. The vector of paragraph 20, wherein the first sequence is under the control of a promoter that is capable of controlling expression of the Cas3 at a level that is not toxic to the production strain cell.

In an example, substantially no production strain cells are killed when the Cas3-encoding sequence is amplified therein. In another example, no more than 40, 30, 20, 10, 5, 4, 3, 2, or 1% of production strain cells are killed when the Cas3-encoding sequence is amplified therein. For example this is in a 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 9 10, 12 or 24 hour period of culturing the cells.

22. The vector of paragraph 20, wherein the first sequence is under the control of a promoter that controls expression of the Cas3 in the production strain cell such that the cell is capable of growth and propagation sufficient to produce at least 1000 copies of the vector.

For example this is in a 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 9 10, 12 or 24 hour period of culturing the cells. For example, at least 10⁴, 10⁵, 10⁶, 10⁷, 10⁸, 10⁹, 10¹⁰, 10¹¹, 10¹², 10¹³, 10¹⁴, 10¹⁵, 10¹⁶, 10¹⁷ or 10¹⁸ copies of the vector are produced per 10³, 10⁴, 10⁵, 10⁶, 10⁷, 10⁸, 10⁹, 10¹⁰, 10¹¹, 10¹², 10¹³, 10¹⁴, 10¹⁵, 10¹⁶, 10¹⁷ production strain cells respectively.

23. The vector of any one of paragraphs 20 to 22, wherein the cell is capable of at least 2 or 3 logs of expansion when the vector is comprised therein.

For example, this is in a 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 9 10, 12 or 24 hour period of culturing the cells.

24. The vector of any preceding paragraph, wherein the vector is a high copy number vector.

25. The vector of any preceding paragraph, wherein the first nucleotide sequence or operon is comprised by a mobile genetic element.

Suitable mobile genetic elements, eg, transposons, are disclosed in WO2016177682 and US20170246221, the disclosures of which are explicitly incorporated herein for possible use in the invention and for providing one or more features for the claims herein.

26. The vector of any preceding paragraph, wherein the vector is devoid of a Cas adaption module. For example, the vector is devoid of nucleotide sequences encoding a Cas1, Cas2 and/or Cas4.

27. The vector of any preceding paragraph, wherein the vector is devoid of nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of a Cas1, Cas2, Cas4, Cas6 (optionally Cas6f), Cas7 and Cas 8 (optionally Cas8f).

28. The vector of any preceding paragraph, wherein the vector is devoid of a sequence encoding a Cas6 (optionally a Cas6f).

29. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 27, wherein the module encodes a Cas6 (optionally a Cas6f).

30. The vector of any preceding paragraph, wherein the vector comprises (optionally in 5' to 3' direction) nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of Cas 11, Cas7 and Cas8a1.

31. The vector of paragraph 30, wherein the vector comprises nucleotide sequence encoding Cas3' and/or Cas3" (optionally wherein the nucleotide sequences encoding the Cas3' and/or Cas3" are between the promoter and the sequence(s) recited in paragraph 30).

In one embodiment, the vector comprises nucleotide sequences (in 5' to 3' direction) that encode a Cas3 (eg, Cas3' and/or Cas3"), Cas11, Cas7 and Cas8a1. Optionally, a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas6 is between the Cas3 sequence(s) and the Cas11 sequence. Option-

ally, the vector comprises a Type IA CRISPR array or one or more nucleotide sequences encoding single guide RNA(s) (gRNA(s)), wherein the array and each gRNA comprises repeat sequence that is cognate with the Cas3. Thus, the array is operable in a host cell when 5 the vector has been introduced into the cell for production of guide RNAs, wherein the guide RNAs are operable with the Cas and Cascade proteins to target and modify (eg, cut) a target nucleotide sequence in the host cell, optionally thereby killing the host cell. Similarly, the single guide RNAs encoded by the vector in one embodiment are operable with the Cas and Cascade proteins to target and modify (eg, cut) a target nucleotide sequence in the host cell, optionally thereby killing the host cell.

- 32. The vector of paragraph 30 or 31, wherein the host cell comprises a Type IA CRISPR array that is cognate with the Cas3.
- 33. The vector of paragraph 30 or 31, wherein the host cell comprises an endogenous Type IB, C, U, D, E or F 20 CRISPR/Cas system.
- 34. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 29, wherein the vector comprises (optionally in 5' to 3' direction) nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of Cas8b1, Cas7 and Cas5.
- 35. The vector of paragraph 34, wherein the vector comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas3 between the promoter and the sequence(s) recited in paragraph 34.
- In one embodiment, the vector comprises nucleotide 30 sequences (in 5' to 3' direction) that encode a Cas3, Cas8b1, Cas7 and Cas5. Optionally, a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas6 is between the Cas3 sequence (s) and the Cas8b1 sequence. Optionally, the vector comprises a Type IB CRISPR array or one or more 35 nucleotide sequences encoding single guide RNA(s) (gRNA(s)), wherein the array and each gRNA comprises repeat sequence that is cognate with the Cas3. Thus, the array is operable in a host cell when the vector has been introduced into the cell for production 40 of guide RNAs, wherein the guide RNAs are operable with the Cas and Cascade proteins to target and modify (eg, cut) a target nucleotide sequence in the host cell, optionally thereby killing the host cell. Similarly, the single guide RNAs encoded by the vector in one 45 embodiment are operable with the Cas and Cascade proteins to target and modify (eg, cut) a target nucleotide sequence in the host cell, optionally thereby killing the host cell.
- 36. The vector of paragraph 34 or 35, wherein the host cell 50 comprises a Type IB CRISPR array that is cognate with the Cas3.
- 37. The vector of paragraph 34 or 35, wherein the host cell comprises an endogenous Type IA, C, U, D, E or F CRISPR/Cas system.
- 38. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 29, wherein the vector comprises (optionally in 5' to 3' direction) nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of Cas5, Cas8c and Cas7.
- 39. The vector of paragraph 38, wherein the vector 60 comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas3 between the promoter and the sequence(s) recited in paragraph 38.
- In one embodiment, the vector comprises nucleotide sequences (in 5' to 3' direction) that encode a Cas3, 65 Cas5, Cas8c and Cas7. Optionally, a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas6 is between the Cas3

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sequence(s) and the Cas5 sequence. Optionally, the vector comprises a Type IC CRISPR array or one or more nucleotide sequences encoding single guide RNA(s) (gRNA(s)), wherein the array and each gRNA comprises repeat sequence that is cognate with the Cas3. Thus, the array is operable in a host cell when the vector has been introduced into the cell for production of guide RNAs, wherein the guide RNAs are operable with the Cas and Cascade proteins to target and modify (eg, cut) a target nucleotide sequence in the host cell, optionally thereby killing the host cell. Similarly, the single guide RNAs encoded by the vector in one embodiment are operable with the Cas and Cascade proteins to target and modify (eg, cut) a target nucleotide sequence in the host cell, optionally thereby killing the host cell.

- 40. The vector of paragraph 38 or 39, wherein the host cell comprises a Type IC CRISPR array that is cognate with the Cas3.
- 41. The vector of paragraph 38 or 39, wherein the host cell comprises an endogenous Type IA, B, U, D, E or F CRISPR/Cas system.
- 42. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 29, wherein the vector comprises (optionally in 5' to 3' direction) nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of Cas8U2, Cas7, Cas5 and Cas6.
- 43. The vector of paragraph 42, wherein the vector comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas3 between the promoter and the sequence(s) recited in paragraph 42.
- In one embodiment, the vector comprises nucleotide sequences (in 5' to 3' direction) that encode a Cas3, Cas8U2, Cas7, Cas5 and Cas6. Optionally, a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas6 is between the Cas3 sequence(s) and the Cas8U2 sequence. Optionally, the vector comprises a Type IU CRISPR array or one or more nucleotide sequences encoding single guide RNA(s) (gRNA(s)), wherein the array and each gRNA comprises repeat sequence that is cognate with the Cas3. Thus, the array is operable in a host cell when the vector has been introduced into the cell for production of guide RNAs, wherein the guide RNAs are operable with the Cas and Cascade proteins to target and modify (eg, cut) a target nucleotide sequence in the host cell, optionally thereby killing the host cell. Similarly, the single guide RNAs encoded by the vector in one embodiment are operable with the Cas and Cascade proteins to target and modify (eg, cut) a target nucleotide sequence in the host cell, optionally thereby killing the host cell.
- 44. The vector of paragraph 42 or 43, wherein the host cell comprises a Type IU CRISPR array that is cognate with the Cas3.
- 45. The vector of paragraph 42 or 43, wherein the host cell comprises an endogenous Type IA, B, C, D, E or F CRISPR/Cas system.
- 46. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 29, wherein the vector comprises (optionally in 5' to 3' direction) nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of Cas10d, Cas7 and Cas5.
- 47. The vector of paragraph 46, wherein the vector comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas3' and/or Cas3" (optionally wherein the nucleotide sequences encoding the Cas3' and/or Cas3" are between the promoter and the sequence(s) recited in paragraph 46).
- In one embodiment, the vector comprises nucleotide sequences (in 5' to 3' direction) that encode a Cas3,

- Cas10d, Cas7 and Cas5. Optionally, a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas6 is between the Cas3 sequence(s) and the Cas10d sequence. Optionally, the vector comprises a Type ID CRISPR array or one or more nucleotide sequences encoding single guide 5 RNA(s) (gRNA(s)), wherein the array and each gRNA comprises repeat sequence that is cognate with the Cas3. Thus, the array is operable in a host cell when the vector has been introduced into the cell for production of guide RNAs, wherein the guide RNAs are operable with the Cas and Cascade proteins to target and modify (eg, cut) a target nucleotide sequence in the host cell, optionally thereby killing the host cell. Similarly, the single guide RNAs encoded by the vector in one 15 embodiment are operable with the Cas and Cascade proteins to target and modify (eg, cut) a target nucleotide sequence in the host cell, optionally thereby killing the host cell.
- 48. The vector of paragraph 46 or 47, wherein the host cell 20 comprises a Type ID CRISPR array that is cognate with the Cas3.
- 49. The vector of paragraph 46 or 47, wherein the host cell comprises an endogenous Type IA, B, C, U, E or F CRISPR/Cas system.
- 50. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 29, wherein the vector comprises (optionally in 5' to 3' direction) nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of Cas8e, Cas11, Cas7, Cas5 and Cas6.
- 51. The vector of paragraph 50, wherein the vector 30 comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas3 between the promoter and the sequence(s) recited in paragraph 50.
- In one embodiment, the vector comprises nucleotide sequences (in 5' to 3' direction) that encode a Cas3, 35 Cas8e, Cas11, Cas7, Cas5 and Cas6. Optionally, a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas6 is between the Cas3 sequence(s) and the Cas11 sequence. Optionally, the vector comprises a Type IE CRISPR array or one or more nucleotide sequences encoding single guide 40 RNA(s) (gRNA(s)), wherein the array and each gRNA comprises repeat sequence that is cognate with the Cas3. Thus, the array is operable in a host cell when the vector has been introduced into the cell for production of guide RNAs, wherein the guide RNAs are operable 45 with the Cas and Cascade proteins to target and modify (eg, cut) a target nucleotide sequence in the host cell, optionally thereby killing the host cell. Similarly, the single guide RNAs encoded by the vector in one embodiment are operable with the Cas and Cascade 50 proteins to target and modify (eg, cut) a target nucleotide sequence in the host cell, optionally thereby killing the host cell.
- 52. The vector of paragraph 50 or 51, wherein the host cell comprises a Type IE CRISPR array that is cognate with 55 the Cas3.
- 53. The vector of paragraph 50 or 51, wherein the host cell comprises an endogenous Type IA, B, C, D, U or F CRISPR/Cas system.
- 54. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 29, wherein 60 the vector comprises (optionally in 5' to 3' direction) nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of Cas8f, Cas5, Cas7 and Cas6f.
- 55. The vector of paragraph 54, wherein the vector comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas3 65 between the promoter and the sequence(s) recited in paragraph 54, wherein the vector is devoid of nucleo-

- tide sequence encoding further Cas between the promoter and the sequence encoding the Cas3.
- In one embodiment, the vector comprises nucleotide sequences (in 5' to 3' direction) that encode a Cas3, Cas8f, Cas5, Cas7 and Cas6f. Optionally, a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas6 is between the Cas3 sequence(s) and the Cas8f sequence. Optionally, the vector comprises a Type IF CRISPR array or one or more nucleotide sequences encoding single guide RNA(s) (gRNA(s)), wherein the array and each gRNA comprises repeat sequence that is cognate with the Cas3. Thus, the array is operable in a host cell when the vector has been introduced into the cell for production of guide RNAs, wherein the guide RNAs are operable with the Cas and Cascade proteins to target and modify (eg, cut) a target nucleotide sequence in the host cell, optionally thereby killing the host cell. Similarly, the single guide RNAs encoded by the vector in one embodiment are operable with the Cas and Cascade proteins to target and modify (eg, cut) a target nucleotide sequence in the host cell, optionally thereby killing the host cell.
- 56. The vector of paragraph 54 or 55, wherein the host cell comprises a Type IF CRISPR array that is cognate with the Cas3
- 57. The vector of paragraph 54 or 55, wherein the host cell comprises an endogenous Type IA, B, C, D, U or E CRISPR/Cas system.
- 58. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 29, wherein the Cas and Cascade are Type IA Cas and Cascade proteins.
- 59. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 29, wherein the Cas and Cascade are Type IB Cas and Cascade proteins
- 60. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 29, wherein the Cas and Cascade are Type IC Cas and Cascade proteins.
- 61. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 29, wherein the Cas and Cascade are Type ID Cas and Cascade proteins.
- 62. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 29, wherein the Cas and Cascade are Type IE Cas and Cascade proteins.
- 63. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 29, wherein the Cas and Cascade are Type IF Cas and Cascade proteins.
- 64. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 29, wherein the Cas and Cascade are Type IU Cas and Cascade proteins.
- 65. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 29, wherein the Cas and Cascade are *E coli* (optionally Type IE or IF) Cas and Cascade proteins, optionally wherein the *E coli* is ESBL-producing *E. coli* or *E. coli* ST131-O25b: H4.
- 66. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 29, wherein the Cas and Cascade are *Clostridium* (eg, *C difficile*) Cas and Cascade proteins, optionally *C difficile* resistant to one or more antibiotics selected from aminoglycosides, lincomycin, tetracyclines, erythromycin, clindamycin, penicillins, cephalosporins and fluoroquinolones.
- 67. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 29, wherein the Cas and Cascade are *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* Cas and Cascade proteins, optionally *P aeruginosa* resistant to one or more antibiotics selected from carbapenems, aminoglycosides, cefepime, ceftazidime, fluoroquinolones, piperacillin and tazobactam.

- 68. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 29, wherein the Cas and Cascade are *Klebsiella pneumoniae* (eg, carbapenem-resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae* or Extended-Spectrum Beta-Lactamase (ESBL)-producing *K pneumoniae*) Cas and Cascade proteins.
- 69. The vector of any one of paragraphs 1 to 29, wherein the Cas and Cascade are *E coli*, *C difficile*, *P aeruginosa*, *K pneumoniae*, *P furiosus* or *B halodurans* Cas and Cascade proteins.
- 70. The vector of any preceding paragraph, wherein the 10 Cas3 is a Cas3 of a CRISPR/Cas locus of a first bacterial or archaeal species, wherein the distance between the Cas3-encoding sequence of the locus and its cognate promoter is further than the distance between the Cas3-encoding sequence and the respective promoter comprised by the vector.
- The cognate promoter here is the one that controls expression of Cas3 in the wild-type locus.
- 71. The vector of any preceding paragraph, wherein the distance between the promoter and the Cas3-encoding 20 sequence and/or Cascade protein-encoding sequence(s) is shorter than in a corresponding wild-type Type I locus.
- A corresponding locus is a wild-type locus of a bacterial or archaeal species or strain that comprises an endogenous CRISPR/Cas system encoding the Cas3 and/or Cascade proteins of the type that are also encoded by the vector. Thus, when the vector comprises an operon, the operon may comprise Cas3- and Cascade-encoding nucleotide sequences that are not in a natural configuration.
- 72. The vector of any preceding paragraph, wherein the vector comprises (i) a CRISPR array for producing crRNAs in the host cell and/or (ii) one or more nucleotide sequences encoding one or more single guide 35 RNAs (gRNAs), wherein the crRNAs or gRNAs are cognate to the Cas3 (and optionally cognate to the Cascade proteins).
- 73. The vector of paragraph 72 when dependent from paragraph 4, wherein the array or gRNA-encoding 40 sequence(s) are comprised by the operon and under the control of the promoter.
- 74. The vector of paragraph 72, wherein the array or gRNA-encoding sequence(s) are under the control of a promoter that is different from the promoter that controls the expression of the Cas3.
- 75. The vector of any one of paragraphs 72 to 74, wherein one or more of the crRNAs or gRNAs comprises a spacer sequence that is capable of hybridising to a target nucleotide sequence of the host cell, wherein the 50 target sequence is adjacent a PAM, the PAM being cognate to the Cas3.
- Thus, the spacer hybridises to the protospacer to guide the Cas3 to the protospacer. Optionally, the Cas3 cuts the protospacer, eg, using exo- and/or endonuclease activity of the Cas3. Optionally, the Cas3 removes a plurality (eg, at least 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 or 10) nucleotides from the protospacer.
- 76. The vector of paragraph 75, wherein the target sequence is a chromosomal sequence of the host cell. 60
- 77. The vector of paragraph 75 or 76, wherein the Cas3 is operable to cut the target sequence.
- 78. The vector of any preceding paragraph, wherein the vector is a plasmid or phagemid.
- 79. A delivery vehicle comprising the vector of any 65 preceding paragraph, wherein the delivery vehicle is capable of delivering the vector into the host cell.

- 80. The vehicle of paragraph 79, wherein the delivery vehicle is a phage, non-replicative transduction particle, nanoparticle carrier, bacterium or liposome.
- The phage or particles comprise phage coat proteins encapsidating DNA, wherein the DNA comprises the vector. Suitable examples of phage and particles are disclosed in U.S. Ser. No. 15/985,658 (and its equivalent publication by USPTO) the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference for possible use in the invention and for providing one or more features that may be included in the claims herein. Phage or particle is capable of infecting the cell, thereby introducing the vector into the cell.
- 81. The vector or vehicle of any preceding paragraph, wherein the host cell is a bacterial or archaeal cell, optionally, the host cell is a *C difficile, P aeruginosa, K pneumoniae* (eg, carbapenem-resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae* or Extended-Spectrum Beta-Lactamase (ESBL)-producing *K pneumoniae*), *E coli* (eg, ESBL-producing *E. coli*, or *E. coli* ST131-O25b:H4), *H pylori, S pneumoniae* or *S aureus* cell.
- 82. The vector or vehicle of any preceding paragraph for administration to a human or animal subject for treating or reducing the risk of a disease or condition in the subject.
- 83. The vector or vehicle of paragraph 82, wherein the disease or condition is an infection of the subject with host cells (eg, bacterial cells), or wherein the disease or condition is mediated by host cells (eg, bacterial cells).
- 84. A pharmaceutical composition comprising the vector or vehicle of any preceding paragraph and a pharmaceutically acceptable diluent, excipient or carrier.
- 85. A method of amplifying copies of a DNA encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) in a bacterial or archaeal production strain of cells, the method comprising
 - (a) Providing production strain cells, each cell comprising a copy of said DNA, wherein each DNA comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding said Cas, wherein the nucleotide sequence is under the control of a promoter for controlling the expression of the Cas in the production strain cell, the DNA comprising an origin of replication that is operable in the cell for replication of the DNA;
 - (b) Culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA, whereby the DNA is amplified; and
 - (c) Optionally isolating copies of the DNA,
- 86. The method of paragraph 85, wherein the promoter is a constitutive promoter.
- 87. The method of paragraph 85, wherein the promoter is repressible (optionally repressible by a tetracycline repressor or a lac repressor).
- 88. The method of paragraph 85, wherein the promoter is inducible.
- 89. The method of any one of paragraphs 85 to 88, wherein the promoter is a medium strength promoter.
- The method of any one of paragraphs 85 to 89, wherein the promoter has an Anderson Score (AS) of 0.5>AS>0.1.
- 91. The method of any one of paragraphs 85 to 90, wherein the nucleotide sequence encoding said Cas is under the control of a promoter and translation initiation site (TIS) combination that is capable of producing expression of green fluorescent protein (GFP) from a first expression operating unit (EOU) in *E. coli* strain BW25113 cells with a fluorescence of from 0.5 to 4 times the fluorescence produced in *E. coli* strain

- BW25113 cells using a second EOU comprising a P10 promoter (SEQ ID NO: 1) combined with a BCD14 TIS (SEQ ID NO: 2), wherein the EOUs differ only in their promoter and TIS combinations, wherein each EOU comprises (in 5' to 3' direction) an upstream initiator, 5 the respective promoter, the respective TIS, a nucleotide sequence encoding GFP, a 3' UTR, a transcription terminator and a downstream insulator.
- 92. The method of paragraph 91, wherein fluorescence using the first EOU is 0.5 to 2 times the fluorescence 10 using the second EOU.
- 93. The method of any one of paragraphs 85 to 92, wherein the nuclease is Cas3 and optionally the DNA or cell encodes cognate Cascade proteins and/or one or more crRNAs that are operable for Cas nuclease targeting.
- For example, the targeting is targeting of the Cas to a protospacer sequence comprised by a host cell chromosome or an episome thereof. In another example the targeting is in a recombineering method and the Cas is 20 targeted to a protospacer sequence of a DNA that has been introduced into or amplified in the host cell. In an example of such recombineering, the host cell is an *E coli* cell.
- 94. The method of any one of paragraphs 85 to 92, 25 wherein the Cas is a Cas9.
- 95. The method of any one of paragraphs 85 to 92, wherein the Cas is a Type IIIA csm protein or a Type IIIB cmr protein.
- 96. The method of any one of paragraphs 85 to 92, 30 wherein the Cas is a Csf1.
- 97. The method of any one of paragraphs 85 to 92, wherein the Cas is a Cpf1.
- 98. The method of any one of paragraphs 85 to 92, wherein the Cas is a Cas13 (optionally Cas13a or 35 Cas13b).
- 99. The method of any one of paragraphs 85 to 92, wherein the Cas is selected from a Cas3, Cas8a, Cas5, Cas8b, Cas8c, Cas10d, Cse1, Cse2, Csy1, Csy2, Csy3, GSU0054, Cas10, Csm2, Cmr5, Cas10, Csx11, Csx10, 40 Csf1, Cas9, Csn2, Cas4, Cpf1, C2c1, C2c3, Cas13a, Cas13b and Cas13c.
- 100. The method of any one of paragraphs 85 to 99, wherein the production strain cells comprise a helper phage genome that is inducible to produce phage coat 45 proteins in the cells, wherein the method further comprises inducing production of the phage proteins and causing packaging of the amplified DNA into phage particles or non-self-replicative transduction particles, and further isolating the phage or transduction particles and optionally formulating the particles into a pharmaceutical composition for administration to a human or animal subject for treating or reducing the risk of a disease or condition in the subject.
- 101. The method of paragraph 100, wherein the particles 55 are capable of infecting target host cells in the subject and transducing the cells with the DNA, wherein the Cas and crRNAs (or gRNAs) encoded by the DNA are expressed in the cells, the crRNAs or (gRNAs) being operable to guide the Cas to a target nucleotide 60 sequence (optionally a chromosomal sequence) comprised by the cells, wherein the Cas cuts the target sequences in the cells, thereby killing host cells and treating or reducing the risk of the disease or condition.
- 102. The method of paragraph 101, wherein the host cells 65 are bacterial or archaeal cells, optionally, the host cells are *C difficile*, *P aeruginosa*, *K pneumoniae* (eg, car-

- bapenem-resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae* or Extended-Spectrum Beta-Lactamase (ESBL)-producing *K pneumoniae*), *E coli* (eg, ESBL-producing *E. coli*, or *E. coli* ST131-O25b:H4), *H pylori*, *S pneumoniae* or *S aureus* cells.
- 103. The method of any one of paragraphs 85 to 102, wherein each DNA is comprised by a high copy number vector, optionally a high copy number plasmid (an optionally the promoter is a constitutive promoter).
- 104. The method of any one of paragraphs 85 to 103, wherein each DNA is comprised by a vector or vehicle according to any one of paragraphs 1 to 83.
- 105. Use of an attenuated strength promoter in a DNA construct comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) that is under the control of the promoter, in a method of amplifying copies of the DNA in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, for enhancing the yield of amplified DNA produced by the production host cells.
- Thus, said enhancing may be relative to the yield produced using a strong promoter, eg, a strong constitutive promoter (for example a promoter having an Anderson Score (AS) of AS≥0.5). In another example, the strong promoter is a promoter comprised by a promoter and translation initiation site (TIS) combination that is capable of producing expression of green fluorescent protein (GFP) from a first expression operating unit (EOU) in E. coli strain BW25113 cells with a fluorescence of >4 times the fluorescence produced in E. coli strain BW25113 cells using a second EOU comprising a P10 promoter (SEQ ID NO: 1) combined with a BCD14 TIS (SEQ ID NO: 2), wherein the EOUs differ only in their promoter and TIS combinations, wherein each EOU comprises (in 5' to 3' direction) an upstream initiator, the respective promoter, the respective TIS, a nucleotide sequence encoding GFP, a 3' UTR, a transcription terminator and a downstream insulator.
- 106. The use of paragraph 105, wherein the use is for enhancing said yield by
 - (d) reducing toxicity of the Cas in the production strain;
 - (e) reducing mutation of the DNA (optionally the Cas-encoding sequence) in the production strain;
 - (f) promoting production cell viability during the amplification of the DNA; and/or
 - (g) reducing the occurrence of Cas cutting of DNA (optionally cutting of production host cell chromosomal DNA or said DNA construct).
- 107. Use of an attenuated strength promoter in a DNA construct comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) that is under the control of the promoter, in a method of amplifying copies of the DNA in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, for reducing toxicity of the Cas in the production strain.
- 108. Use of an attenuated strength promoter in a DNA construct comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) that is under the control of the promoter, in a method of amplifying copies of the DNA in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, for

reducing mutation of the DNA (optionally the Casencoding sequence) in the production strain.

- 109. Use of an attenuated strength promoter in a DNA construct comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) that 5 is under the control of the promoter, in a method of amplifying copies of the DNA in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, for 10 promoting production cell viability during the amplification of the DNA.
- 110. Use of an attenuated strength promoter in a DNA construct comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) that 15 is under the control of the promoter, in a method of amplifying copies of the DNA in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, for 20 reducing the occurrence of Cas cutting of DNA.
- 111. A method for enhancing the yield of amplified copies of a DNA construct in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells, wherein the construct comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding a functional 25 Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) that is under the control of a promoter, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, wherein the promoter is an attenuated strength promoter.
- 112. A method for reducing toxicity of a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells in a process of amplifying copies of a DNA construct, wherein the construct comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding 35 the Cas and the sequence is under the control of a promoter, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, wherein the promoter is an attenuated strength promoter.
- 113. A method for reducing mutation of a DNA construct encoding a functional Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells in a process of amplifying copies of the construct, wherein the construct comprises a 45 nucleotide sequence encoding the Cas and the sequence is under the control of a promoter, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, wherein the promoter is an attenuated strength promoter.
- 114. A method for promoting production cell viability of a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells in a process of amplifying copies of a DNA construct comprised by the cells, wherein the construct comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding a functional 55 Cas protein (optionally a Cas nuclease) and the sequence is under the control of a promoter, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, wherein the promoter is an attenuated strength promoter.
- 115. A method for reducing the occurrence of Cas nuclease cutting of a DNA construct in a population of bacterial or archaeal production strain cells in a process of amplifying copies of the construct, wherein the 65 construct comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding the Cas and the sequence is under the control of a

- promoter, the method comprising culturing the cells to allow replication of the DNA thereby amplifying the DNA in the cells, wherein the promoter is an attenuated strength promoter.
- 116. The use of paragraph 108 or 110, or the method of paragraph 113 or 115, wherein the mutation or cutting is mutation or cutting of host cell chromosomal DNA or the construct DNA.
- 117. The use or method of any one of paragraphs 105 to 116, wherein the promoter is a constitutive promoter.
- 118. The use or method of any one of paragraphs 105 to 117, wherein the promoter is repressible (optionally repressible by a tetracycline repressor or a lac repressor).
- In an example, the promoter is a constitutive promoter and optionally the DNA is comprised by a high copy number plasmid or phagemid.
- 119. The use or method of any one of paragraphs 105 to 118, wherein the promoter is $P_{LtetO-1}$, $P_{LlacO-1}$ or a repressible homologue thereof.
- $P_{LlacO-1}$ is repressed by lac repressor (LacR). $P_{LletO-1}$ is repressed by tet repressor (TetR).
- 120. The use or method of any one of paragraphs 105 to 119, wherein the promoter is a medium strength promoter.
- 121. The use or method of any one of paragraphs 105 to 120, wherein the promoter has an Anderson Score (AS) of 0.5>AS>0.1.
- 122. The use or method of any one of paragraphs 105 to 121, wherein the nucleotide sequence encoding said Cas is under the control of a promoter and translation initiation site (TIS) combination that is capable of producing expression of green fluorescent protein (GFP) from a first expression operating unit (EOU) in E. coli strain BW25113 cells with a fluorescence of from 0.5 to 4 times the fluorescence produced in E. coli strain BW25113 cells using a second EOU comprising a P10 promoter (SEQ ID NO: 1) combined with a BCD14 TIS (SEQ ID NO: 2), wherein the EOUs differ only in their promoter and TIS combinations, wherein each EOU comprises (in 5' to 3' direction) an upstream initiator, the respective promoter, the respective TIS, a nucleotide sequence encoding GFP, a 3' UTR, a transcription terminator and a downstream insulator.
- 123. The use or method of paragraph 122, wherein fluorescence using the first EOU is 0.5 to 2 times the fluorescence using the second EOU.
- 124. The use or method of any one of paragraphs 105 to 123, wherein the nuclease is Cas3 and optionally the DNA construct encodes cognate Cascade proteins.
- 125. The use or method of any one of paragraphs 105 to 123, wherein the Cas is a Cas9.
- 126. The use or method of any one of paragraphs 105 to 123, wherein the Cas is a Type IIIA csm protein or a Type IIIB cmr protein.
- 127. The use or method of any one of paragraphs 105 to 123, wherein the Cas is a Csf1.
- 128. The use or method of any one of paragraphs 105 to 123, wherein the Cas is a Cpf1.
- 129. The use or method of any one of paragraphs 105 to 123, wherein the Cas is a Cas13 (optionally Cas13a or Cas13b).
- 130. The use or method of any one of paragraphs 105 to 123, wherein the Cas is selected from a Cas3, Cas8a, Cas5, Cas8b, Cas8c, Cas10d, Cse1, Cse2, Csy1, Csy2, Csy3, GSU0054, Cas10, Csm2, Cmr5, Cas10, Csx11,

- Csx10, Csf1, Cas9, Csn2, Cas4, Cpf1, C2c1, C2c3, Cas13a, Cas13b and Cas13c.
- 131. The use or method of any one of paragraphs 105 to 130, wherein the DNA construct comprises one or more nucleotide sequences for producing crRNAs or gRNAs 5 that are operable for Cas nuclease targeting.
- 132. The use or method of any one of paragraphs 105 to 131, wherein the production strain cells comprise a helper phage genome that is inducible to produce phage coat proteins in the cells, wherein the method further comprises inducing production of the phage proteins and causing packaging of the amplified DNA into phage particles or non-self-replicative transduction particles, and further isolating the phage or transduction particles and optionally formulating the particles into a pharmaceutical composition for administration to a human or animal subject for treating or reducing the risk of a disease or condition in the subject.
- 133. The method of paragraph 132, wherein the particles are capable of infecting target host cells in the subject 20 and transducing the cells with the DNA, wherein the Cas and crRNAs (or gRNAs) encoded by the DNA are expressed in the cells, the crRNAs or (gRNAs) being operable to guide the Cas to a target nucleotide sequence (optionally a chromosomal sequence) comprised by the cells, wherein the Cas cuts the target sequences in the cells, thereby killing host cells and treating or reducing the risk of the disease or condition.
- 134. The method of paragraph 133, wherein the host cells are bacterial or archaeal cells, optionally, the host cells are *C difficile*, *P aeruginosa*, *K pneumoniae* (eg, carbapenem-resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae* or Extended-Spectrum Beta-Lactamase (ESBL)-producing *K pneumoniae*), *E coli* (eg, ESBL-producing *E. coli*, or *E. coli* ST131-O25b:H4), *H pylori*, *S pneumoniae* or *S aureus* 35 cells.
- 135. The use or method of any one of paragraphs 105 to 134, wherein each DNA is comprised by a high copy number vector, optionally a high copy number plasmid (an optionally the promoter is a constitutive promoter). 40
- 136. The use or method of any one of paragraphs 105 to 135, wherein each DNA is comprised by a vector according to any one of paragraphs 1 to 78 and 81 to 83.

Clauses 4:

The invention provides, by way of example, the following Clauses; the features of these are combinable with any other disclosure herein.

- 1. A nucleic acid vector for introduction into a host cell, 50 the vector comprising a first nucleotide sequence encoding a Type I Cas3 and a second nucleotide sequence encoding one or more Cascade proteins, wherein the first and second sequences are under the control of one or more promoters comprised by the 55 vector for expression of the proteins in the cell.
- 2. The vector of Clause 1, wherein the vector comprises an operon for expression in the cell of the Cas3 and Cascade proteins from a Cas module, the module comprising the nucleotide sequences encoding the 60 Cas3 and Cascade proteins, and the operon comprising the Cas module under the control of a promoter for controlling the expression of both the Cas3 and Cascade proteins.
- 3. The vector of Clause 2, wherein
 - (a) the first sequence is between the promoter and the second sequence in the operon;

- (b) the operon comprises no Cas-encoding nucleotide sequences between the promoter and the first nucleotide sequence; and/or
- (c) the operon comprises (in 5' to 3' direction) the promoter, the first sequence and the second sequence.
- 4. The vector of any preceding Clause, wherein each promoter is a constitutive promoter.
- 5. The vector of any one of Clauses 1 to 3, wherein the promoter is repressible (optionally repressible by a tetracycline repressor or lac repressor).
- 6. The vector of any one of Clauses 1 to 3, wherein the promoter is inducible.
- The vector of any preceding Clause, wherein the first sequence is under the control of a medium strength promoter.
- 8. The vector of any preceding Clause, wherein the first sequence is under the control of a promoter that has an Anderson Score (AS) of 0.5>AS>0.1.
- 9. The vector of any preceding Clause, wherein the first sequence (and optionally the second sequence) is under the control of a promoter and translation initiation site (TIS) combination that is capable of producing expression of green fluorescent protein (GFP) from a first expression operating unit (EOU) in E. coli strain BW25113 cells with a fluorescence of from 0.5 to 4 times the fluorescence produced in E. coli strain BW25113 cells using a second EOU comprising a P10 promoter (SEQ ID NO: 1) combined with a BCD14 TIS (SEQ ID NO: 2), wherein the EOUs differ only in their promoter and TIS combinations, wherein each EOU comprises (in 5' to 3' direction) an upstream initiator, the respective promoter, the respective TIS, a nucleotide sequence encoding GFP, a 3' UTR, a transcription terminator and a downstream insulator.
- 10. The vector of Clause 9, wherein fluorescence using the first EOU is 0.5 to 2 times the fluorescence using the second FOU
- The vector of any preceding Clause, wherein the vector comprises an origin of replication that is operable in the host cell.
- 12. The vector of any preceding Clause, wherein the vector comprises an origin of replication that is operable in a bacterial cell of a vector production strain, wherein the Cas3 is not operable in the production strain cell to target and cut a chromosomal sequence thereof
- 13. The vector of Clause 12, wherein the first sequence is under the control of a promoter that is capable of controlling expression of the Cas3 at a level that is not toxic to the production strain cell.
- 14. The vector of any preceding Clause, wherein the vector is a high copy number vector.
- 15. The vector of any preceding Clause, wherein the first nucleotide sequence or operon is comprised by a mobile genetic element.
- 16. The vector of any preceding Clause, wherein the vector is devoid of a Cas adaption module.
- 17. The vector of any preceding Clause, wherein the vector is devoid of nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of a Cas1, Cas2, Cas4, Cas6, Cas7 and Cas 8
- 18. The vector of any preceding Clause, wherein the vector comprises (optionally in 5' to 3' direction) nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of Cas11, Cas7 and Cas8a1.

- 19. The vector of Clause 18, wherein the vector comprises nucleotide sequence encoding Cas3' and/or Cas3".
- 20. The vector or Clause 19, wherein the nucleotide sequences encoding the Cas3' and/or Cas3" are between the promoter and the sequence(s) recited in 5 Clause 18.
- 21. The vector of any one of Clauses 18 to 20, wherein the host cell comprises a Type IA CRISPR array that is cognate with the Cas3.
- 22. The vector of any one of Clauses 18 to 20, wherein the 10 host cell comprises an endogenous Type IB, C, U, D, E or F CRISPR/Cas system.
- 23. The vector of any one of Clauses 1 to 17, wherein the vector comprises (optionally in 5' to 3' direction) nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of 15 Cas8b1, Cas7 and Cas5.
- 24. The vector of Clause 23, wherein the vector comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas3 between the promoter and the sequence(s) recited in Clause 23.
- 25. The vector of Clause 23 or 24, wherein the host cell 20 comprises a Type IB CRISPR array that is cognate with the Cas3.
- 26. The vector of Clause 23 or 24, wherein the host cell comprises an endogenous Type IA, C, U, D, E or F CRISPR/Cas system.
- 27. The vector of any one of Clauses 1 to 17, wherein the vector comprises (optionally in 5' to 3' direction) nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of Cas5, Cas8c and Cas7.
- 28. The vector of Clause 27, wherein the vector comprises 30 a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas3 between the promoter and the sequence(s) recited in Clause 27.
- 29. The vector of Clause 27 or 28, wherein the host cell comprises a Type IC CRISPR array that is cognate with the Cas3.
- 30. The vector of Clause 27 or 28, wherein the host cell comprises an endogenous Type IA, B, U, D, E or F CRISPR/Cas system.
- 31. The vector of any one of Clauses 1 to 17, wherein the vector comprises (optionally in 5' to 3' direction) 40 nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of Cas8U2, Cas7, Cas5 and Cas6.
- 32. The vector of Clause 31, wherein the vector comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas3 between the promoter and the sequence(s) recited in Clause 31.
- 33. The vector of Clause 31 or 32, wherein the host cell comprises a Type IU CRISPR array that is cognate with the Cas3.
- 34. The vector of Clause 31 or 32, wherein the host cell comprises an endogenous Type IA, B, C, D, E or F 50 CRISPR/Cas system.
- 35. The vector of any one of Clauses 1 to 17, wherein the vector comprises (optionally in 5' to 3' direction) nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of Cas10d, Cas7 and Cas5.
- 36. The vector of Clause 35, wherein the vector comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas3' and/or Cas3".
- 37. The vector of Clause 36, wherein the nucleotide sequences encoding the Cas3' and/or Cas3" are between the promoter and the sequence(s) recited in 60 Clause 35.
- 38. The vector of any one of Clauses 35 to 37, wherein the host cell comprises a Type ID CRISPR array that is cognate with the Cas3.
- 39. The vector of any one of Clauses 35 to 37, wherein the 65 host cell comprises an endogenous Type IA, B, C, U, E or F CRISPR/Cas system.

- 40. The vector of any one of Clauses 1 to 17, wherein the vector comprises (optionally in 5' to 3' direction) nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of Cas8e, Cas11, Cas7, Cas5 and Cas6.
- 41. The vector of Clause 40, wherein the vector comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas3 between the promoter and the sequence(s) recited in Clause 40.
- 42. The vector of Clause 40 or 41, wherein the host cell comprises a Type IE CRISPR array that is cognate with the Cas3.
- 43. The vector of Clause 40 or 41, wherein the host cell comprises an endogenous Type IA, B, C, D, U or F CRISPR/Cas system.
- 44. The vector of any one of Clauses 1 to 17, wherein the vector comprises (optionally in 5' to 3' direction) nucleotide sequence encoding one, more or all of Cas8f, Cas5, Cas7 and Cas6f.
- 45. The vector of Clause 44, wherein the vector comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding Cas3 between the promoter and the sequence(s) recited in Clause 44, wherein the vector is devoid of nucleotide sequence encoding further Cas between the promoter and the sequence encoding the Cas3.
- 46. The vector of Clause 44 or 45, wherein the host cell comprises a Type IF CRISPR array that is cognate with the Cas3.
- 47. The vector of Clause 44 or 45, wherein the host cell comprises an endogenous Type IA, B, C, D, U or E CRISPR/Cas system.
- 48. The vector of any one of Clauses 1 to 17, wherein the Cas and Cascade are
 - (a) Type IA Cas and Cascade proteins;
 - (b) Type IB Cas and Cascade proteins;
 - (c) Type IC Cas and Cascade proteins;
 - (d) Type ID Cas and Cascade proteins;
 - (e) Type IE Cas and Cascade proteins;
 - (f) Type IF Cas and Cascade proteins; or
 - (g) Type IU Cas and Cascade proteins.
- 49. The vector of any preceding Clause, wherein the Cas and Cascade are *E coli* (optionally Type IE or IF) Cas and Cascade proteins.
- 50. The vector of Clause 49, wherein the *E coli* is ESBL-producing *E. coli* or *E. coli* ST131-O25b:H4.
- 51. The vector of any preceding Clause, wherein the Cas and Cascade are
 - (a) Clostridium (eg, C difficile) Cas and Cascade proteins, optionally C difficile resistant to one or more antibiotics selected from aminoglycosides, lincomycin, tetracyclines, erythromycin, clindamycin, penicillins, cephalosporins and fluoroquinolones;
 - (b) Pseudomonas aeruginosa Cas and Cascade proteins, optionally P aeruginosa resistant to one or more antibiotics selected from carbapenems, aminoglycosides, cefepime, ceftazidime, fluoroquinolones, piperacillin and tazobactam; or
 - (c) *Klebsiella pneumoniae* (eg, carbapenem-resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae* or Extended-Spectrum Beta-Lactamase (ESBL)-producing *K pneumoniae*) Cas and Cascade proteins.
- 52. The vector of any preceding Clause, wherein the Cas and Cascade are *E coli*, *C difficile*, *P aeruginosa*, *K pneumoniae*, *P furiosus* or *B halodurans* Cas and Cascade proteins.
- 53. The vector of any preceding Clause, wherein the Cas3 is a Cas3 of a CRISPR/Cas locus of a first bacterial or archaeal species, wherein the distance between the Cas3-encoding sequence of the locus and its cognate

promoter is further than the distance between the Cas3-encoding sequence and the respective promoter comprised by the vector.

- 54. The vector of any preceding Clause, wherein the distance between the promoter and the Cas3-encoding 5 sequence and/or Cascade protein-encoding sequence(s) is shorter than in a corresponding wild-type Type I locus.
- 55. The vector of any preceding Clause, wherein the vector comprises (i) a CRISPR array for producing 10 crRNAs in the host cell and/or (ii) one or more nucleotide sequences encoding one or more guide RNAs (gRNAs or single gRNAs), wherein the crRNAs or gRNAs are cognate to the Cas3 (and optionally cognate to the Cascade proteins).
- 56. The vector of Clause 55 when dependent from Clause 2, wherein the array or gRNA-encoding sequence(s) are comprised by the operon and under the control of the promoter.
- 57. The vector of Clause 56, wherein the array or gRNA- 20 encoding sequence(s) are under the control of a promoter that is different from the promoter that controls the expression of the Cas3.
- 58. The vector of Clause 56 or 57, wherein one or more of the crRNAs or gRNAs comprises a spacer sequence 25 that is capable of hybridising to a target nucleotide sequence of the host cell, wherein the target sequence is adjacent a PAM, the PAM being cognate to the Cas3.
- 59. The vector of Clause 58, wherein the target sequence is a chromosomal sequence of the host cell.
- 60. The vector of Clause 58 or 59, wherein the Cas3 is operable to cut the target sequence.
- 61. The vector of any preceding Clause, wherein the vector is a plasmid or phagemid.
- 62. A delivery vehicle comprising the vector of any 35 preceding Clause, wherein the delivery vehicle is capable of delivering the vector into the host cell.
- 63. The vehicle of Clause 62, wherein the delivery vehicle is a phage, non-replicative transduction particle, nan-oparticle carrier, bacterium or liposome.
- 64. The vector or vehicle of any preceding Clause, wherein the host cell is a bacterial or archaeal cell, optionally, the host cell is a *C difficile, P aeruginosa, K pneumoniae* (eg, carbapenem-resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae* or Extended-Spectrum Beta-Lactamase 45 (ESBL)-producing *K pneumoniae*), *E coli* (eg, ESBL-producing *E. coli*, or *E. coli* ST131-O25b:H4), *H pylori, S pneumoniae* or *S aureus* cell.
- 65. The vector or vehicle of any preceding Clause for administration to a human or animal subject for treating 50 or reducing the risk of a disease or condition in the subject.
- 66. The vector or vehicle of Clause 65, wherein the disease or condition is an infection of the subject with host cells (eg, bacterial cells), or wherein the disease or 55 condition is mediated by host cells (eg, bacterial cells).
- 67. A pharmaceutical composition comprising the vector or vehicle of any preceding Clause and a pharmaceutically acceptable diluent, excipient or carrier.

It will be understood that particular embodiments 60 described herein are shown by way of illustration and not as limitations of the invention. The principal features of this invention can be employed in various embodiments without departing from the scope of the invention. Those skilled in the art will recognize, or be able to ascertain using no more 65 than routine study, numerous equivalents to the specific procedures described herein. Such equivalents are consid-

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ered to be within the scope of this invention and are covered by the claims. All publications and patent applications mentioned in the specification are indicative of the level of skill of those skilled in the art to which this invention pertains. All publications and patent applications and all US equivalent patent applications and patents are herein incorporated by reference to the same extent as if each individual publication or patent application was specifically and individually indicated to be incorporated by reference. Reference is made to WO2017/118598, US20180140698, US20170246221, US20180273940, US20160115488, US20180179547, US20170175142, US20160024510, US20150064138, US20170022499, US20160345578, US20180155729. US20180200342. WO2017112620. 15 WO2018081502. PCT/EP2018/066954. PCT/EP2018/ 066980, PCT/EP2018/071454 and U.S. Ser. No. 15/985,658 and equivalent publications by the US Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) or WIPO, the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference for providing disclosure that may be used in the present invention and/or to provide one or more features (eg, of a vector) that may be included in one or more claims herein.

The use of the word "a" or "an" when used in conjunction with the term "comprising" in the claims and/or the specification may mean "one," but it is also consistent with the meaning of "one or more," "at least one," and "one or more than one." The use of the term "or" in the claims is used to mean "and/or" unless explicitly indicated to refer to alternatives only or the alternatives are mutually exclusive, although the disclosure supports a definition that refers to only alternatives and "and/or." Throughout this application, the term "about" is used to indicate that a value includes the inherent variation of error for the device, the method being employed to determine the value, or the variation that exists among the study subjects.

As used in this specification and claim(s), the words "comprising" (and any form of comprising, such as "comprise" and "comprises"), "having" (and any form of having, such as "have" and "has"), "including" (and any form of including, such as "includes" and "include") or "containing" (and any form of containing, such as "contains" and "contain") are inclusive or open-ended and do not exclude additional, unrecited elements or method steps

The term "or combinations thereof" or similar as used herein refers to all permutations and combinations of the listed items preceding the term. For example, "A, B, C, or combinations thereof is intended to include at least one of: A, B, C, AB, AC, BC, or ABC, and if order is important in a particular context, also BA, CA, CB, CBA, BCA, ACB, BAC, or CAB. Continuing with this example, expressly included are combinations that contain repeats of one or more item or term, such as BB, AAA, MB, BBC, AAABCCCC, CBBAAA, CABABB, and so forth. The skilled artisan will understand that typically there is no limit on the number of items or terms in any combination, unless otherwise apparent from the context.

Any part of this disclosure may be read in combination with any other part of the disclosure, unless otherwise apparent from the context.

All of the compositions and/or methods disclosed and claimed herein can be made and executed without undue experimentation in light of the present disclosure. While the compositions and methods of this invention have been described in terms of preferred embodiments, it will be apparent to those of skill in the art that variations may be applied to the compositions and/or methods and in the steps or in the sequence of steps of the method described herein

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without departing from the concept, spirit and scope of the invention. All such similar substitutes and modifications apparent to those skilled in the art are deemed to be within the spirit, scope and concept of the invention as defined by the appended claims.

The present invention is described in more detail in the following non-limiting Examples.

EXAMPLES

The examples illustrate fast and precision killing of Escherichia coli strains. As a model programmable nuclease system, we used a CRISPR guided vector (CGVTM) to specifically target Escherichia coli MG1655.

Example 1

Single-Vector Cas3 & Cascade: Type I CRISPR-Cas System Targeting E. Coli

A plasmid (which we call a CRISPR Guided VectorTM, CGVTM) was constructed comprising an operon with nucleotide sequences encoding a Type I Cas3 and Cascade proteins under the control of a common promoter. C. difficile Type IB comprising C. difficile repeat sequences and spacer sequence for targeting an E. coli host cell chromosome was also introduced into target cells. An adaptation module containing Cas1, Cas2 and Cas4 was omitted in the vector (see FIG. 1A). In the wild-type C. difficile Type IB CRISPR/Cas locus, 30 the cas3 gene is 3' of the Cascade genes (cas8b1, cas7 and cas5) and thus spaced away from the promoter upstream of the Cascade genes. When we tried this arrangement, we found killing of E. coli cells, but surprisingly when we changed to a synthetic operon arrangement (in 5' to 3' 35 orientation) of promoter, cas3, cas8b1, cas7 and cas5 we saw significantly higher killing of the target E. coli cells.

Results using this synthetic operon arrangement are shown in FIGS. 1A-1C. In FIG. 1B there is shown a dilution series (10¹-10⁶) of drop spots (5 μl) of target *E. coli* MG1655 40 *E. coli* host cell chromosome was also cloned in the vector. cells harboring the CGV on LB agar plates with and without inducers. CRISPR/Cas induction surprisingly killed 99.9% of the population (FIG. 1C, grey bar). Growth in absence of induction is shown in black. CGVTM refers to a CRISPR Guided VectorTM, which is a nucleic acid vector comprising 45 nucleotide sequences encoding CRISPR/Cas components.

We also managed to achieve desirable targeted killing of E coli cells using a similar set-up, except that E coli Type IE Cas and Cascade were used, together with a cognate array targeting host cell E coli chromosomal DNA (data not 50 shown). In this case, a vector was used comprising (in 5' to 3' direction) a promoter controlling the expression of Cas3, Cas8e, Cas 11, Cas7, Cas5 and Cas6 in an operon. Materials and Methods

E. coli MG1655 was grown in lysogeny broth (LB) with 55 shaking (250 rpm) at 37° C. When necessary, cultures were supplemented with tetracycline (10 µg/mL), and spectinomycin (400 µg/mL).

To construct a plasmid containing C. difficile CRISPR system under arabinose inducible pBAD promoter, cas3, 60 cas6, cas8b, cas7 and cas5 genes from C. difficile were amplified and cloned in a low copy number plasmid (pSC101 ori). cas3 was located in the beginning of the operon followed by cas6, cas8b, cas7 and cas5. The adaptation module (consisting of cas1, cas2, and cas4) was 65 omitted in the vector (FIG. 1A). A second plasmid containing an IPTG inducible single-spacer array targeting a chro36

mosomal intergenic region in E. coli MG1655 was constructed (FIG. 1A). The spacer was cloned under control of the IPTG-inducible Ptrc promoter, in a CloDF13 ori backbone. It contains 37 nucleotides from the genome of E. coli ⁵ MG1655 (ctttgccgcgcgcttcgtcacgtaattctcgtcgcaa) (SEQ ID NO: 26). Additionally, the 3'-CCT protospacer adjacent motif (PAM) is located adjacent to the selected target sequence in the genome of E. coli MG1655 (FIG. 1A).

To perform killing assays, both plasmids were transformed into E. coli MG1655 by electroporation. Transformants were grown in liquid LB with antibiotics to mid-log phase, and the killing efficiency was determined by serial dilution and spot plating onto LB, and LB+inducers (0.5 mM IPTG and 1% arabinose). Viability was calculated by 15 counting colony forming units (CFUs) on the plates and data were calculated as viable cell concentration (CFU/ml).

Example 2

Single-Vector Cas3-Cascade & Array: Type I CRISPR-Cas System Targeting E. Coli

A plasmid (which we call a CRISPR Guided VectorTM, CGVTM, which is a nucleic acid vector comprising nucleo-Cas3 and Cascade was used. A cognate CRISPR array 25 tide sequences encoding CRISPR/Cas components) was constructed comprising an operon with nucleotide sequences encoding a Type I Cas3 and Cascade proteins under the control of a common promoter. C. difficile Type IB Cas3 and Cascade was used. Adaptation module containing Cas1, Cas2 and Cas4 was omitted in the vector. A cognate CRISPR array comprising C. difficile repeat sequences and spacer sequence for targeting an E. coli host cell chromosome was also cloned in the vector (see FIG. 2A). Similarly we also constructed a plasmid comprising of an operon with nucleotide sequences encoding E. coli Type IE Cas3 and Cascade proteins under control of a common promoter. The E. coli adaption module containing Cas1 and Cas2 was omitted, in the vector. A cognate CRISPR array comprising E. coli repeat sequences and spacer sequence for targeting an

> The CGV containing the C. difficile CRISPR-Cas system was transformed into E. coli MG1655 which contains a pks sequence incorporated into the genome. Results using this synthetic operon arrangement are shown in FIGS. 2A-2C. In FIG. 2B there is shown a dilution series (10¹-10⁵) of drop spots (5 µl) of target E. coli MG1655 cells harboring the CGV on synthetic medium (SM) agar plates with and without inducers. CRISPR/Cas induction resulted in more than 2-log₁₀ reductions in viable cells of E. coli MG1655 (FIG. 2C, grey bar). Growth in absence of induction is shown in black. CGVTM refers to a CRISPR Guided VectorTM.

> The survival of E. coli MG1655 upon induction was followed over time by plating the cultures in serial dilutions every 60 minutes, for 2 h (FIG. 3A) Killing curves revealed that CRISPR/Cas induction mediated rapid killing of E. coli MG1655, generating a two-log₁₀ reduction in *E. coli* by the first 60 minutes. FIG. **3**B shows a dilution series (10¹-10⁶) of drop spots (5 µl) of induced and non-induced cultures of target E. coli MG1655 on SM agar plates.

> The CGV containing the E. coli CRISPR-Cas system was transformed into other E. coli MG1655 cells which contain a lambda sequence incorporated into the genome. Results using this synthetic operon arrangement are shown in FIGS. **6**A-**6**B. In FIG. **6**A there is shown a dilution series (10¹-10⁵) of drop spots (5 µl) of target E. coli MG1655 cells harboring the CGV on synthetic medium (SM) agar plates with and

without inducers. CRISPR/Cas induction resulted in more than $2 - \log_{10}$ reductions in viable cells of *E. coli* MG1655 (FIG. **6**B, grey bar). Growth in absence of induction is shown in black. In a repeat experiment (not shown) we saw a $3 - \log_{10}$ reductions in viable cells of *E. coli* MG1655 with 5 CRISPR/Cas induction.

Materials and Methods

E. coli MG1655 was grown in synthetic medium (SM) with shaking (250 rpm) at 37° C. Cultures were supplemented with 10 μg/mL tetracycline when required.

To construct a plasmid containing *C. difficile* CRISPR system under arabinose inducible pBAD promoter, cas3, cas6, cas8b, cas7 and cas5 genes from *C. difficile* were amplified and cloned in a low copy number plasmid (pSC101 ori). cas3 was located in the beginning of the operon followed by cas6, cas8b, cas7 and cas5. Additionally, an IPTG inducible single-spacer array targeting a chromosomal intergenic region in *E. coli* MG1655 was included in the vector under control of the IPTG-inducible Ptrc promoter (FIG. 2A). It contains 37 nucleotides from the PKS gene (previously integrated into the genome of *E. coli* 20 MG1655) (gtttggcgatggcgggtgtggttggttggttgggtt) (SEQ ID NO: 27). Additionally, the 3'-CCT protospacer adjacent motif (PAM) is located adjacent to the selected target sequence in the genome of *E. coli* MG1655 (FIG. 2A).

To construct a plasmid containing *E. coli* CRISPR system 25 under arabinose inducible pBAD promoter, cas3, cse1, cse2, cas7, cas5 and cas6 genes from E. coli were amplified and cloned in a low copy number plasmid (pSC101 ori). The operon comprised (in 5' to 3' direction) cas3 followed by cse1 cse2, cas7, cas5 and cas6. Additionally, an IPTG inducible single-spacer array targeting a chromosomal intergenic region in E. coli MG1655 was included in the vector under control of the IPTG-inducible Ptrc promoter. It contained 32 nucleotides from the lambda sequence (previously integrated into the genome of E. coli MG1655) (tgggatgcctaccgcaagcagcttggcctgaa) (SEQ ID NO: 28) and found to 35 efficiently target in Brouns et al., 2008 (Science. 2008 Aug. 15; 321(5891):960-4. doi: 10.1126/science.1159689; "Small CRISPR RNAs guide antiviral defense in prokaryotes"). Additionally, the 3'-ATG protospacer adjacent motif (PAM) is located adjacent to the selected target sequence in the 40 genome of E. coli MG1655.

The CGVs were transformed into *E. coli* MG1655 by electroporation. Transformants were grown in liquid SM with antibiotics to mid-log phase, and the killing efficiency was determined by serial dilution and spot plating onto LB, 45 and LB+inducers (0.5 mM IPTG and 1% arabinose). Viability was calculated by counting colony forming units (CFUs) on the plates and data were calculated as viable cell concentration (CFU/ml).

To perform killing curves, *E. coli* MG1655 harboring the 50 CGV was grown in liquid SM with antibiotics to mid-log phase. The culture was divided into two tubes and either inducers (0.5 mM IPTG and 1% arabinose) or PBS were added. Survival of the strain was followed over time by plating the cultures in serial dilutions (10¹-10⁶) of drop spots 55 (5 μl) every 60 minutes, for 2 h, on SM plates with antibiotics. Survival frequency was calculated by counting colony forming units (CFUs) on the plates and data were calculated as viable cell concentration (CFU/ml).

Example 3

Precision Killing of Target Strain E. Coli MG1655 in a Microbiome

An artificial microbial consortium was constructed to study the efficiency of the CGV carrying the CRISPR-Cas

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system of *C. difficile*, to specifically target *E. coli* MG1655 in the presence of other microbes, mimicking the human microbiome.

The synthetic consortium consisted of three strains (two different species) with differential antibiotic resistance profiles: a streptomycin-resistant E. coli MG1655 (target strain), an ampicillin-resistant E. coli Top10, and a chloramphenicol-resistant Lactococcus lactis NZ9000. To create the consortium, bacterial cultures were grown separately in Brain Heart Infusion broth (BHI, optimal growth medium for L. lactis) to mid-log phase and mixed in fresh BHI broth with and without inducers. After 1 h induction at 30° C., the composition of the consortium was determined by counting viable colonies on selective plates. Induction of the CRISPR system in the mixed community, resulted in >10-fold killing of target E. coli MG1655, while leaving E. coli Top10 and L. lactis NZ9000 cell populations unharmed (FIG. 4A). In FIG. 4B there is shown a dilution series (10¹-10⁵) of drop spots (5 µl) of the synthetic consortium after 1 h induction on BHI agar plates.

Additionally, CRISPR killing of target strain *E. coli* MG1655 in the synthetic microbial consortium was compared to a pure culture (ie, target strain *E. coli* MG1655 that is not mixed with another strain or species). Unexpectedly, in both conditions, killing of 3 logs was achieved when plated on BHI agar plates with inducers (FIG. **5**A). Thus, surprisingly the killing in the microbiome setting was as efficient as the killing in pure culture. In FIG. **5**B there is shown a dilution series (10¹-10⁵) of drop spots (5 µl) of the synthetic consortium and *E. coli* MG1655 in pure culture on BHI agar plates with and without inducers. Materials and Methods

E. coli MG1655, *E. coli* Top10, and *Lactococcus lactis* NZ9000 were grown in BHI broth with shaking (250 rpm) at 30° C. Cultures were supplemented with 1000 μg/mL streptomycin, 100 μg/mL ampicillin, or 10 μg/mL chloramphenicol, respectively.

To create the consortium, bacterial cultures were grown in BHI with appropriate antibiotics to mid-log phase. Cultures were washed twice in PBS to remove the antibiotics and mixed in fresh BHI broth. The mixed culture was spotted onto BHI plates with streptomycin, ampicillin or chloramphenicol to quantify the initial concentration of *E. coli* MG1655, *E. coli* Top10 and *L. lactis* NZ9000, respectively. The mixed culture was divided into two tubes and either inducers (0.5 mM IPTG and 1% arabinose) or PBS were added. After 1 h induction at 30° C., the composition of the consortium was calculated by counting colony forming units (CFUs) on selective plates and data were calculated as viable cell concentration (CFU/ml).

Example 4

Use of Promoter Repression in Vector Amplification Strains

We engineered an *E coli* Top10 production strain cell population comprising plasmid CGV DNA and an expressible sequence encoding a Tet repressor (TetR). The DNA comprised a Cas9-encoding nucleotide sequence under the control of a Tet promoter (pLtetO-1 promoter). The promoter is normally constitutively ON, but it was repressed by TetR in our cells. Thus, in this way we could successfully culture the cells and amplify the CGV without observing adverse toxicity due to Cas9 expression.

In an experiment in the absence of repression, we did not observe any colonies of production strain bacteria, and we

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surmise that this was due to Cas9 toxicity. We believe, in addition to providing a way of increasing CGV yield (eg, for subsequent packaging into phage or non-self-replicative transduction particles), our method using repression can minimize selection for mutations in the DNA that would 5 otherwise be forced by higher Cas9 expression and cutting (eg, due to CGV cutting).

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TABLE 1

Optionally, the target host cells are		from this Table and/or the production st	cells of a genus or species selected from this Table and/or the production strain cells are cells of a genus or species selected from this Table	selected from this Table
Abiotrophia	Acidocella	Actinomyces	Alkalilimnicola	Aquaspirillum
Abiotrophia defectiva	Acidocella aminolytica	Actinomyces bovis	Alkalilimnicola ehrlichii	Aquaspirillum polymorphum
Acaricomes	Acidocella facilis	Actinomyces denticolens	Alkaliphilus	Aquaspirillum
Acaricomes phytoseiuli	Acidomonas	Actinomyces europaeus	Alkaliphilus oremlandii	putridiconchylium
Acetitomaculum	Acidomonas methanolica	Actinomyces georgiae	Alkaliphilus transvaalensis	Aquaspirillum serpens
Acetitomaculum ruminis	Acidothermus	Actinomyces gerencseriae	Allochromatium	Aquimarina
Acetivibrio	Acidothermus cellulolyticus	Actinomyces	Allochromatium vinosum	Aquimarina latercula
Acetivibrio cellulolyticus	Acidovorax	hordeovulneris	Alloiococcus	Arcanobacterium
Acetivibrio ethanolgignens	Acidovorax anthurii	Actinomyces howellii	Alloiococcus otitis	Arcanobacterium
Acetivibrio multivorans	Acidovorax caeni	Actinomyces hyovaginalis	Allokutzneria	haemolyticum
Acetoanaerobium	Acidovorax cattleyae	Actinomyces israelii	Allokutzneria albata	Arcanobacterium pyogenes
Acetoanaerobium noterae	Acidovorax citrulli	Actinomyces johnsonii	Altererythrobacter	Archangium
Acetobacter	Acidovorax defluvii	Actinomyces meyeri	Altererythrobacter ishigakiensis	Archangium gephyra
Acetobacter aceti	Acidovorax delafieldii	Actinomyces naeslundii	Altermonas	Arcobacter
Acetobacter cerevisiae	Acidovorax facilis	Actinomyces neuii	Altermonas haloplanktis	Arcobacter butzleri
Acetobacter cibinongensis	Acidovorax konjaci	Actinomyces odontolyticus	Altermonas macleodii	Arcobacter cryaerophilus
Acetobacter estunensis	Acidovorax temperans	Actinomyces oris	Alysiella	Arcobacter halophilus
Acetobacter fabarum	Acidovorax valerianellae	Actinomyces radingae	Alysiella crassa	Arcobacter nitrofigilis
Acetobacter ghanensis	Acinetobacter	Actinomyces slackii	Alysiella filiformis	Arcobacter skirrowii
Acetobacter indonesiensis	Acinetobacter baumannii	Actinomyces turicensis	Aminobacter	Arhodomonas
Acetobacter lovaniensis	Acinetobacter baylyi	Actinomyces viscosus	Aminobacter aganoensis	Arhodomonas aquaeolei
Acetobacter malorum	Acinetobacter bouvetii	Actinoplanes	Aminobacter aminovorans	Arsenophonus
Acetobacter nitrogenifigens	Acinetobacter calcoaceticus	Actinoplanes auranticolor	Aminobacter niigataensis	Arsenophonus nasoniae
Acetobacter oeni	Acinetobacter gerneri	Actinoplanes brasiliensis	Aminobacterium	
Acetobacter orientalis	Acinetobacter haemolyticus	Actinoplanes consettensis	Aminobacterium mobile	Arthrobacter
Acetobacter orleanensis	Acinetobacter johnsonii	Actinoplanes deccanensis	Aminomonas	Arthrobacter agilis
Acetobacter pasteurianus	Acinetobacter junii	Actinoplanes derwentensis	Aminomonas paucivorans	Arthrobacter albus
Acetobacter pornorurn	Acinetobacter lwoffi	Actinoplanes digitatis	Ammoniphilus	Arthrobacter aurescens
Acetobacter senegalensis	Acinetobacter parvus	Actinoplanes durhamensis	Ammoniphilus oxalaticus	Arthrobacter chlorophenolicus
Acetobacter xylinus	Acinetobacter radioresistens	Actinoplanes ferrugineus	Ammoniphilus oxalivorans	Arthrobacter citreus
Acetobacterium	Acinetobacter schindleri	Actinoplanes globisporus	Amphibacillus	Arthrobacter crystallopoietes
Acetobacterium bakii	Acinetobacter soli	Actinoplanes humidus	Amphibacillus xylanus	Arthrobacter cumminsii
Acetobacterium carbinolicum	Acinetobacter tandoii	Actinoplanes italicus	Amphritea	Arthrobacter globiformis
Acetobacterium dehalogenans	Acinetobacter tjernbergiae	Actinoplanes liguriensis	Amphritea balenae	Arthrobacter
Acetobacterium fimetarium	Acinetobacter towneri	Actinoplanes lobatus	Amphritea japonica	histidinolovorans
Acetobacterium malicum	Acinetobacter ursingii	Actinoplanes missouriensis	Amycolatopsis	Arthrobacter ilicis
Acetobacterium paludosum	Acinetobacter venetianus	Actinoplanes palleronii	Amycolatopsis alba	Arthrobacter luteus
Acetobacterium tundrae	Acrocarpospora	Actinoplanes philippinensis	Amycolatopsis albidoflavus	Arthrobacter methylotrophus
Acetobacterium wieringae	Acrocarpospora corrugata	Actinoplanes rectilineatus	Amycolatopsis azurea	Arthrobacter mysorens
Acetobacterium woodii	Acrocarpospora	Actinoplanes regularis	Amycolatopsis coloradensis	Arthrobacter nicotianae
Acetofilamentum	macrocephala	Actinoplanes	Amycolatopsis lurida	Arthrobacter nicotinovorans
Acetofilamentum rigidum	Acrocarpospora pleiomorpha	teichomyceticus	Amycolatopsis mediterranei	Arthrobacter oxydans
Acetohalobium	Actibacter	Actinoplanes utahensis	Amycolatopsis rifamycinica	Arthrobacter pascens
Acetohalobium arabaticum	Actibacter sediminis	Actinopolyspora	Amycolatopsis rubida	Arthrobacter
Acetomicrobium	Actinoalloteichus	Actinopolyspora halophila	Amycolatopsis sulphurea	phenanthrenivorans
Acetomicrobium faecale	Actinoalloteichus	Actinopolyspora mortivallis	Amycolatopsis tolypomycina	Arthrobacter
Acetomicrobium flavidum	cyanogriseus	Actinosynnema	Anabaena	polychromogenes
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Acholeplasma	Actinobacillus capsulatus	Aerococcus sanguinicola	Anaeroarcus burkinensis	Arthrobacter sulfonivorans
Acholeplasma axanthum	Actinobacillus delphinicola	Aerococcus urinae	Anaerobaculum	Arthrobacter sulfureus
Acholeplasma brassicae	Actinobacillus hominis	Aerococcus urinaeequi	Anaerobaculum mobile	Arthrobacter uratoxydans
Acholeplasma cavigenitalium	Actinobacillus indolicus	Aerococcus urinaehominis	Anaerobiospirillum	Arthrobacter ureafaciens
Acholeplasma equifetale	Actinobacillus lignieresii	Aerococcus viridans	Anaerobiospirillum	Arthrobacter viscosus
Acholeplasma granularum	Actinobacillus minor	Aeromicrobium	succiniciproducens	Arthrobacter woluwensis
Acholeplasma hippikon	Actinobacillus muris	Aeromicrobium erythreum	Anaerobiospirillum thomasii	Asaia
Acholeplasma laidlawii	Actinobacillus	Aeromonas	Anaerococcus	Asaia bogorensis
Acholeplasma modicum	pleuropneumoniae	Aeromonas	Anaerococcus hydrogenalis	Asanoa
Acholeplasma morum	Actinobacillus porcinus	allosaccharophila	Anaerococcus lactolyticus	Asanoa ferruginea
Acholenlasma multilocale	Actinobacillus rossii	Aeromonas bestiarum	Anaerococcus prevotii	Asticcacaulis
Acholenlasma oculi	Actinopacillus scotiae	Aeromonas caviae	Anaerococcus tetradius	Asticcacaulis biprosthecium
Acholenlasma palmae	Actinobacillus seminis	Aeromonas encheleia	Anaerococcus vaginalis	Asticcacaulis excentricus
Acholenlasma parvum	Actinopacillus succinogenes	Aeromonas	Anaerofustis	Atonobacter
Acholeplasma pleciae	Actinopaccillus suis	enteropelogenes	Anaerofustis stercorihominis	Atonobacter phocae
Acholenlasma vituli	Actinopacillus ureae	Aeromonas eucrenophila	Anaeromusa	Atonobium
Achromobacter	Actinobaculum	Aeromonas ichthiosmia	Anaeromusa acidaminophila	Atopobium fossor
Achromobacter denitrificans	Actinobaculum massiliense	Aeromonas iandaei	Anaeromyxobacter	Atopobium minutum
Achromobacter insolitus	Actinobaculum schaalii	Aeromonas media	Anaeromyxobacter	Atopobium parvulum
Achromobacter niechaudii	Actinobaculum suis	Aeromonas ponoffii	dehalosenans	Atopohium rimae
Achromobacter ruhlandii	Actinomyces uringle	Aeromonas sobria	Angeworhabdus	Atopohium vaginae
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Acidaminococcus fermentans	Actinocorallia	Agrococcus citreus	Ancalomicrobium	Avibacterium avium
Acidaminococcus intestini	Actinocorallia aurantiaca	Agrococcus jenensis	Ancalomicrobium adetum	Avibacterium gallinarum
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Acidicaldus organivorans	Actinocorallia cavernae	Agromonas oligotrophica	Ancylobacter aquaticus	Avibacterium volantium
Acidimicrobium	Actinocorallia glomerata	Agromyces	Aneurinibacillus	Azoarcus
Acidimicrobium ferrooxidans	Actinocorallia herbida	Agromyces fucosus	Aneurinibacillus aneurinilyticus	Azoarcus indigens
Acidiphilium	Actinocorallia libanotica	Agromyces hippuratus	Aneurinibacillus migulanus	Azoarcus tolulyticus
Acidiphilium acidophilum	Actinocorallia longicatena	Agromyces luteolus	Aneurinibacillus	Azoarcus toluvorans
Acidiphilium angustum	Actinomadura	Agromyces mediolanus	thermoaerophilus	Azohydromonas
Acidiphilium cryptum	Actinomadura alba	Agromyces ramosus	Angiococcus	Azohydromonas australica
Acidiphilium multivorum	Actinomadura atramentaria	Agromyces rhizospherae	Angiococcus disciformis	Azohydromonas lata
Acidiphilium organovorum	Actinomadura	Akkermansia	Angulomicrobium	Azomonas
Acidiphilium rubrum	bangladeshensis	Akkermansia muciniphila	Angulomicrobium tetraedrale	Azomonas agilis
Acidisoma	Actinomadura catellatispora	Albidiferax	Anoxybacillus	Azomonas insignis
Acidisoma sibiricum	Actinomadura chibensis	Albidiferax ferrireducens	Anoxybacillus pushchinoensis	Azomonas macrocytogenes
Acidisoma tundrae	Actinomadura chokoriensis	Albidovulum	Aquabacterium	Azorhizobium
Acidisphaera	Actinomadura citrea	Albidovulum inexpectatum	Aquabacterium commune	Azorhizobium caulinodans
Acidisphaera rubrifaciens	Actinomadura coerulea	Alcaligenes	Aquabacterium parvum	Azorhizophilus
Acidithiobacillus	Actinomadura echinospora	Alcaligenes denitrificans		Azorhizophilus paspali
Acidithiobacillus albertensis	Actinomadura fibrosa	Alcaligenes faecalis		Azospirillum
Acidithiobacillus caldus	Actinomadura formosensis	Alcanivorax		Azospirillum brasilense

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	luteojutorescens	Ancyclobactilus		Azotobacter nigricans
	Actinomadura macra	disulfidooxidans		Azotobacter salmestris
	Actmomadura madurae	Alicyclobacillus		Azotobacter vinelandu
	Actinomadura oligospora	sendaiensis		
	Actinomadura pelletieri	Alicyclobacillus vulcanalis		
	Actinomadura rubrobrunea	Alishewanella		
	Actinomadura rugatobispora	Alishewanella fetalis		
	Actinomadura umbrina	Alkalibacillus		
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	Actinomadura vinacea			
	Actinomadura viridilutea			
	Actinomadura viridis			
	Actinomadura yumaensis			
Bacillus	Bacteroides	Bibersteinia	Borrelia	Brevinema
[see below]	Bacteroides caccae	Bibersteinia trehalosi	Borrelia afzelii	Brevinema andersonii
	Bacteroides coagulans	Bifidobacterium	Borrelia americana	Brevundimonas
Bacteriovorax	Bacteroides eggerthii	Bifidobacterium adolescentis	Borrelia burgdorferi	Brevundimonas alba
Bacteriovorax stolpii	Bacteroides fragilis	Bifidobacterium angulatum	Borrelia carolinensis	Brevundimonas aurantiaca
	Bacteroides galacturonicus	Bifidobacterium animalis	Borrelia coriaceae	Brevundimonas diminuta
	Bacteroides helcogenes	Bifidobacterium asteroides	Borrelia garinii	Brevundimonas intermedia
	Bacteroides ovatus	Bifidobacterium bifidum	Borrelia japonica	Brevundimonas subvibrioides
	Bacteroides pectinophilus	Bifidobacterium boum	Bosea	Brevundimonas vancanneytii
	Bacteroides pyogenes	Bifidobacterium breve	Bosea minatitlanensis	Brevundimonas variabilis
	Bacteroides salversiae	Bifidobacterium catenulatum	Bosea thiooxidans	Brevundimonas vesicularis
	Bacteroides stercoris	Bifidobacterium choerinum	Brachybacterium	Brochothrix
	Bacteroides suis	Bifidobacterium coryneforme	Brachybacterium	Brochothrix campestris
	Bacteroides tectus	Bifidobacterium cuniculi	alimentarium	Brochothrix thermosphacta
	Bacteroides thetaiotaomicron	Bifidobacterium dentium	Brachybacterium faecium	Brucella
	Bacteroides uniformis	Bifidobacterium gallicum	Brachybacterium	Brucella canis
	Bacteroides ureolyticus	Bifidobacteriun gallinarun	paraconglomeratum	Brucella neotomae
	Bacteroides vulgatus	Bifidobacterium indicum	Brachybacterium rhannosum	Bryobacter
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	Balneariun lithotrophicum	Bifidobacterium	tyrofermentans	Burkholderia
	Balneatrix	magnumBifidobacterium	Brachyspira	Burkholderia ambifaria
	Balneatrix alpica	merycicum	Brachyspira alvinipulli	Burkholderia andropogonis
	Balneola	Bifidobacterium minimum	Brachyspira hyodysenteriae	Burkholderia anthina
	Balneola vulgaris	Bifidobacterium	Brachyspira innocens	Burkholderia caledonica
	Barnesiella	pseudocatenulatum	Brachyspira murdochii	Burkholderia caryophylli
	Barnesiella viscericola	Bifidobacterium	Brachyspira pilosicoli	Burkholderia cenocepacia
	Bartonella	pseudolongum		Burkholderia cepacia
		Bifidobacteriun pullorum	Bradyrhizobium	Burkholderia cocovenenans
		Bifidobacterium ruminantium	Bradyrhizobium canariense	Burkholderia dolosa
	Bartonella clarridgeiae	Bifidobacterium saeculare	Bradyrhizobium elkanii	Burkholderia fungorum
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	Bartonella elizabethae	Bifidobacterium	Bradyrhizobium liaoningense	Burkholderia glumae
	Bartonella grahamii	thermophilum	Brenneria	Burkholderia graminis
	Bartonella henselae	Bilophila	Brenneria alni	Burkholderia kururiensis
	Bartonella rochalimae	Bilophila wadsworthia	Brenneria nigrifluens	Burkholderia multivorans
	Bartonella vinsonii	Biostraticola	Brenneria quercina	Burkholderia phenazinium
	Bavariicoccus	Biostraticola tofi	Brenneria quercina	Burkholderia plantarii
	Bavariicoccus seileri	Bizionia	Brenneria salicis	Burkholderia pyrrocinia
	Bdellovibrio	Bizionia argentinensis	Brevibacillus	Burkholderia silvatlantica
	Bdellovibrio bacteriovorus	Blastobacter	Brevibacillus agri	Burkholderia stabilis
	Bdellovibrio exovorus	Blastobacter capsulatus	Brevibacillus borstelensis	Burkholderia thailandensis
	Beggiatoa	Blastobacter denitrificans	Brevibacillus brevis	Burkholderia tropica
	Beggiatoa alba	Blastococcus	Brevibacillus centrosporus	Burkholderia unamae
	Beijerinckia	Blastococcus aggregatus	Brevibacillus choshinensis	Burkholderia vietnamiensis
	Beijerinckia derxii	Blastococcus saxobsidens	Brevibacillus invocatus	Buttiauxella
	Beijerinckia fluminensis	Blastochloris	Brevibacillus laterosporus	Buttiauxella agrestis
	Beijerinckia indica	Blastochloris viridis	Brevibacillus parabrevis	Buttiauxella brennerae
	Beijerinckia mobilis	Blastomonas	Brevibacillus reuszeri	Buttiauxella ferragutiae
	Belliella	Blastomonas natatoria	Brevibacterium	Buttiauxella gaviniae
	Belliella baltica	Blastopirellula	Brevibacterium abidum	Buttiauxella izardii
	Bellilinea	Blastopirellula marina	Brevibacterium album	Buttiauxella noackiae
	Bellilinea caldifistulae	Blautia	Brevibacterium aurantiacum	Buttiauxella warmboldiae
	Belnapia	Blautia coccoides	Brevibacterium celere	Butyrivibrio
	Belnapia moabensis	Blautia hansenii	Brevibacterium epidermidis	Butyrivibrio fibrisolvens
	Bergeriella	Blautia producta	Brevibacterium	Butyrivibrio hungatei
	Bergeriella denitrificans	Blautia wexlerae	frigoritolerans	Butyrivibrio proteoclasticus
	Beutenbergia	Bogoriella	Brevibacterium halotolerans	
	Beutenbergia cavernae	Bogoriella caseilytica	Brevibacterium iodinum	
		Bordetella	Brevibacterium linens	
		Bordetella avium	Brevibacterium lyticum	
		Bordetella bronchiseptica	Brevibacterium mcbrellneri	
		Bordetella hinzii	Brevibacterium otitidis	
		Bordetella holmesii	Brevibacterium oxydans	
		Bordetella parapertussis	Brevibacterium paucivorans	
		Bordetella pertussis	Brevibacterium stationis	
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B. acidiproducens		B. gottheilii	B. thermantarcticus	B. lentimorbus
B. acidocaldarius		B. graminis	B. thermoaerophilus	B. lentus
B. acidoterrestris			B. thermoamylovorans	B. licheniformis
B. aeolius	B. aquimaris	B. haloalkaliphilus	B. thermocatenulatus	B. ligniniphilus
B. aerius		B. halochares	B. thermocloacae	B. litoralis
B. aerophilus		B. halodenitrificans	B. thermocopriae	B. locisalis
B. agaradhaerens			B. thermodenitrificans	B. luciferensis
B. agri			B. thermoglucosidasius	B. luteolus
B. aidingensis		B. halosaccharovorans	B. thermolactis	B. luteus
	B. aryabhattai	B. hemicellulosilyticus	B. thermoleovorans	B. macauensis
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galliciensis		B. putvlaciens	
gelatini B.		B. pumilus	
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g. subsp. Marinus)	B. solisalsi	B. rigui	B. patagoniensis
	B. songklensis	B. ruris	
	B. sonorensis	B. safensis	
	B. spnaericus	B. salarius	
	B. sporothermodurans		

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Example Bacteria	Optionally, the target host cells are cells of a genus or species selected from this Table and/or the production strain cells are cells of a genus or species selected from this Table

Curobacterium	Curtobacterium albidum	Curtobacterium citreus																													
Catenulonlanes	Catenuloplanes atrovinosus	Catenuloplanes castaneus	Catenuloplanes crispus	Catenuloplanes indicus	Catenuloplanes japonicus	Catenuloplanes nepalensis	Catenuloplanes niger	Chryseobacterium	Chryseobacterium	balustinum	Citrobacter	C. amalonaticus	C. braakii	C. diversus	C. farmeri	C. freundii	C. gillenii	C. koseri	C. murliniae	C. pasteurii ^[1]	C. rodentium	C. sedlakii	C. werkmanii	C. youngae	Clostridium	(see below)	Coccochloris	Coccochloris elabens	Corynebacterium	Corynebacterium flavescens	Corynebacterium variabile
B. stratosphericus B. subterraneus B. subtilis (eg. B. s. subsp. haquosorum, or B. s. subsp. Spizizenr, or B. s. subsp. Subtilis) Cardiobacterium	Cardiobacterium hominis	Carnimonas	Carnimonas nigrificans	Carnobacterium	Carnobacterium alterfunditum	Carnobacterium divergens	Carnobacterium funditum	Carnobacterium gallinarum	Carnobacterium	maltaromaticum	Carnobacterium mobile	Carnobacterium viridans	Caryophanon	Caryophanon latum	Caryophanon tenue	Catellatospora	Catellatospora citrea	Catellatospora	methionotrophica	Catenococcus	Catenococcus thiocycli										
Campylobacter	Campylobacter coli	Campylobacter concisus	Campylobacter curvus	Campylobacter fetus	Campylobacter gracilis	Campylobacter helveticus	Campylobacter hominis	Campylobacter hyointestinalis	Campylobacter jejuni	Campylobacter lari	Campylobacter mucosalis	Campylobacter rectus	Campylobacter showae	Campylobacter sputorum	Campylobacter upsaliensis	Capnocytophaga	Capnocytophaga canimorsus	Capnocytophaga cynodegmi	Capnocytophaga gingivalis	Capnocytophaga granulosa	Capnocytophaga haemolytica	Capnocytophaga ochracea	Capnocytophaga sputigena								
Caenimonas	Caenimonas koreensis	Caldalkalibacillus	Caldalkalibacillus uzonensis	Caldanaerobacter	Caldanaerobacter subterraneus	Caldanaerobius	Caldanaerobius fijiensis	Caldanaerobius	polysaccharolyticus	Caldanaerobius zeae	Caldanaerovirga	Caldanaerovirga acetigignens	Caldicellulosiruptor	Caldicellulosiruptor bescii	Caldicellulosiruptor kristjanssonii	Caldicellulosiruptor owensensis															Clostridium

Clostridium

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Jannaschia

Idiomarina loihiensis

Haemophilus influenzae

Sarciella

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Clostridium laramiense, Clostridium lavalense, Clostridium lentocellum, Clostridium lentoputrescens, Clostridium leptum, Clostridium linseburense, Clostridium lituseburense, Clostridi Oostridium indolis, Clostridium innocuum, Clostridium intestinale, Clostridium irregulare, Clostridium isatidis, Clostridium josui, Clostridium lactusfyxellense, papyrosolvens, Clostridium paradoxum, Clostridium paraperfringens (Alias: C. welchii), Clostridium paraputrificum, Clostridium paseuri, Clostridium pasteurianum, Clostridium peptidivorans, Clostridium perenne Clostridium perfringens, Clostridium pfernigii, Clostridium phytofermentans, Clostridium poliforme, Clostridium polysaccharolyticum, Clostridium populeti, Clostridium propionicum, Clostridium proteoclasticum, sardiniense, Clostridium sartagoforme, Clostridium scatologenes, Clostridium schirmacherense, Clostridium scindens, Clostridium septicum, Clostridium sordellii, Clostridium sphenoides, Clostridium spiroforme, Oostridium histolyitcum, Clostridium homopropionicum, Clostridium huakuii, Clostridium hungatei, Clostridium hydrogeniformans, Clostridium hydroxybenzoicum, Clostridium hylemonae, Clostridium jejuense, Clostridium ramosum, Clostridium rectum, Clostridium voseum, Clostridium saccharobutylicum, Clostridium saccharoperbutylacetonicum, Clostridium Clostridium lortetii, Clostridium lundense, Clostridium magnum, Clostridium malenominatum, Clostridium mangenotii, Clostridium methoxybenzovorans, Clostridium methoxybenzovorans, Clostridium methylpentosum, Clostridium neopropionicum, Clostridium nexile, Clostridium nitrophenolicum, Clostridium novyi, Clostridium oceanicum, Clostridium orbiscindens, Clostridium oroicum, Clostridium oralicum, Clostridium Clostridium sporogenes, Clostridium sporosphaeroides, Clostridium stercorarium, Clostridium stercorarium stercorarium, Clostridium stercorarium, Clostridium, Clostridium stercorarium, Clostridium stercorarium, Clostridium, Clo tepidiprofundi, Clostridium termitidis, Clostridium tetatin, Clostridium tetano, Clostridium thermaceticum, Clostridium thermautotrophicum, Clostridium thermautotrophicum, Clostridium thermautotrophicum, Clostridium proteolyticum, Clostridium psychrophilum, Clostridium puniceum, Clostridium purinilyticum, Clostridium putrifaciens, Clostridium putrificum, Clostridium quinii, Clostridium thermopapyrolyticum, Clostridium thermosaccharolyticum, Clostridium thermosuccinogenes, Clostridium thermopapyrolyticum, Clostridium tyrobutyricum, Clostridium sticklandii, Clostridium straminisolvens, Clostridium subterminale, Clostridium suffavum, Clostridium sulfidigenes, Clostridium symbiosum, Clostridium sugluense, Clostridium Clostridium thermobutyricum, Clostridium thermocoptriae, Clostridium thermocopriae, Clostridium thermobutyricum, Clostridium thermocoptriae, Clostridium thermopalmarium, Clostridium uliginosum, Clostridium ultunense, Clostridium villosum, Clostridium vincentii, Clostridium viride, Clostridium xylanolyticum, Clostridium, Clostridium, Clostridium, Xylanolyticum, Clostridium, Clost Flavobacterium antarcticum Flavobacterium aquidurense Flavobacterium daejeonense Flavobacterium frigidarium Flavobacterium degerlachei Flavobacterium balustinum Flavobacterium croceum Flavobacterium aquatile Flavobacterium cucumis Flavobacterium flevense Flavobacterium mizutaii Echinicola vietnamensis Flavobacterium defluvii Janibacter corallicola Flavobacterium filum Janibacter anophelis Echinicola pacifica Janibacter limosus Janibacter melonis Janibacter terrae Flavobacterium Flavobacterium denitrificans okeanokoites Janibacter Faecalibacterium prausnitzii Desulfovibrio desulfuricans Fusobacterium nucleatum Idiomarina fontislapidosi Diplococcus pneumoniae Fastidiosipila sanguinis Fangia hongkongensis Idiomarina abyssalis Ideonella azotifigens Delftia acidovorans Idiomarina baltica Fastidiosipila Desulfovibrio Idiomarina Ideonella Fangia E. sakazakii Enterobacter soli Haemophilus haemolyticus Elaemophilus aphrophilus Deinococcus radiodurans Deinococcus radiophilus Haemophilus gallinarum Deinococcus apachensis Elaemophilus aegyptius Deinococcus aquaticus Deinococcus aquatilis Enterococcus faecium Enterococcus faecalis Enterococcus durans Deinococcus aerius Deinococcus caeni Enterobacter kobei Haemophilus felis E. nimipressuralis Erwinia hapontici Escherichia coli E. radicincitans Deinococcus Enterococcus Haemophilus E. turicensis Escherichia E. ludwigii E. pulveris E. taylorae E. pyrinus E. oryzae E. mori Dactylosporangium matsuzakiense Dactylosporangium aurantiacum Dactylosporangium thailandense Gaetbulibacter saemankumensis Dactylosporangium vinaceum Dactylosporangium roseum Dactylosporangium fulvum Gallibacterium anatis Dactylosporangium Gallicola barnesae E. cancerogenous E. aerogenes E. amnigemis E. agglomerans E. arachidis **Gallibacterium** E. gergoviae E. helveticus E. hormaechei E. intermedins Gaetbulibacter E. cowanii E. dissolvens Enterobacter E. asburiae E. cloacae Gallicola

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		L. mali	L. manihotivorans L. para	L. mindensis L. para	L. mucosae L. pentosus	L. murinus L. perolens	L. nagelii L. plant	L. namurensis L. pontis	L.	entans L.	T.	panis L.	ris L.	parabrevis	L. parabuchneri L. rogosae	L. paracasei	L. paracollinoides L. ruminis	L. parafarraginis L. saerimneri	L. homohiochii L. jensenii	L.	L. ingluviei L. kalix	L. intestinalis L. kefir	L. fuchuensis L. keftri	um L.	L. gasseri L. helve	L. hilgardii		lla jeonii	7	7	7	achae		ii	sis		ı		nsis		7	is		Legionella pittsburghensis	Legionella pneumophila	qualettensis	-
L. grayi L. innocua		L. catenaformis	L. ceti	L. coleohominis	L. collinoides	L. composti	L. concavus	L. coryniformis	L. crispatus	L. crustorum	L. curvatus	L. delbrueckii subsp. bulgaricus	L. delbrueckii subsp.	delbrueckii	L. delbrueckii subsp. lactis	L. dextrinicus	L. diolivorans	L. equi	L. equigenerosi	L. farraginis	L. farciminis	L. fermentum	L. fornicalis	L. fructivorans	L. frumenti			Legionella drancourtii							Legionella feeleii							Legionella impletisoli		Legionella jamestowniensis			-
	Lactobacillus	L. acetotolerans	L. acidifarinae	L. acidipiscis	L. acidophilus	Lactobacillus agilis	L. algidus	L. alimentarius	L. amylolyticus	L. amylophilus	L. amylotrophicus	L. amylovorus	L. animalis	L. antri	L. apodemi	L. aviarius	L. bifermentans	L. brevis	L. buchneri	L. camelliae	L. casei	L. kitasatonis	L. kunkeei	L. leichmannii	L. lindneri	L. malefermentans	Legionella	Legionella adelaidensis	Le gionella anisa	Legionella beliardensis	Legionella birminghamensis	Legionella bozemanae	Legionella brunensis	Legionella busanensis	Legionella cardiaca	Legionella cherrii	Legionella cincinnatiensis	Legionella clemsonensis	Legionella donaldsonii							:	

Tatlockia Tatlockia maceachernii Tatlockia micdadei

Stenotrophomonas Stenotrophomonas maltophilia

Sagittula Sagittula stellata Salegentibacter

Saccharococcus
Saccharococcus thermophilus
Saccharomonospora

pseudonalcidigenes
Pseudomonas putida
Pseudomonas syringae
Pseudomonas syringae
Psychrobacter
Psychrobacter
Psychrobacter
Sanguibacter
Sanguibacter keddieii
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Oceanicaulis	Pantoea	Prevotella amnii	Quatrionicoccus
Oceanicaulis alexandrii	Pantoea agglomerans	Prevotella bergensis	Quatrionicoccus
Oceanicola		Prevotella bivia	australiensis
Oceanicola batsensis	Paracoccus	Prevotella brevis	
Oceanicola granulosus	Paracoccus alcaliphilus	Prevotella bryantii	Quinella
Oceanicola nanhaiensis	Paucimonas	Prevotella buccae	Quinella ovalis
Oceanimonas	Paucimonas lemoignei	Prevotella buccalis	
Oceanimonas baumannii	Pectobacterium	Prevotella copri	Ralstonia
Oceaniserpentilla	Pectobacterium aroidearum	Prevotella dentalis	Ralstonia eutropha
Oceaniserpentilla haliotis	Pectobacterium atrosepticum	Prevotella denticola	Ralstonia insidiosa
Oceanisphaera	Pectobacterium betavasculorum	Prevotella disiens	Ralstonia mannitolilytica
Oceanisphaera donghaensis	Pectobacterium cacticida	Prevotella histicola	Ralstonia pickettii
Oceanisphaera litoralis	Pectobacterium carnegieana	Prevotella intermedia	Ralstonia
Oceanithermus	Pectobacterium carotovorum	Prevotella maculosa	pseudosolanacearum
Oceanithermus desulfurans	Pectobacterium chrysanthemi	Prevotella marshii	Ralstonia syzygii
Oceanithermus profundus	Pectobacterium cypripedii	Prevotella melaninogenica	Ralstonia solanacearum
Oceanobacillus	Pectobacterium rhapontici	Prevotella micans	Ramlibacter
Oceanobacillus caeni	Pectobacterium wasabiae	Prevotella multiformis	Ramlibacter henchirensis
Oceanospirillum	Pianococcus	Prevotella nigrescens	Ramlibacter tataouinensis
Oceanospirillum linum	Pianococcus citreus	Prevotella oralis	
	Planomicrobium	Prevotella oris	Raoultella
	Planomicrobium okeanokoites	Prevotella oulorum	Raoultella ornithinolytica
	Plesiomonas	Prevotella pallens	Raoultella planticola
	Plesiomonas shigelloides	Prevotella salivae	Raoultella terrigena
	Proteus	Prevotella stercorea	Rathayibacter
	Proteus vulgaris	Prevotella tannerae	Rathayibacter caricis
		Prevotella timonensis	Rathayibacter festucae
		Prevotella veroralis	Rathayibacter iranicus
		Providencia	Rathayibacter rathayi
		Providencia stuartii	Rathayibacter toxicus
		Pseudomonas	Rathayibacter tritici
		Pseudomonas aeruginosa	Rhodobacter
		Pseudomonas alcaligenes	Rhodobacter sphaeroides
		Pseudomonas anguillispetica	Ruegeria
		Pseudomonas fluorescens	Ruegeria gelatinovorans
		Pseudoalteromonas	
		haloplanktis	
		Pseudomonas mendocina	
		P seudomonas	

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Saccharomonospora azurea	Salegentibacter salegens	Saprospira	Streptococcus	Tenacibaculum
Saccharomonospora cyanea	Salimicrobium	Saprospira grandis		Tenacibaculum
Saccharomonospora viridis	Salimicrobium album	Sarcina	[also see below]	amylolyticum
Saccharophagus	Salinibacter	Sarcina maxima	Streptomyces	Tenacibaculum discolor
Saccharophagus degradans	Salinibacter ruber	Sarcina ventriculi	Streptomyces	Tenacibaculum
Saccharopolyspora	Salinicoccus	Sebaldella	achromogenes	gallaicum
Saccharopolyspora erythraea	Salinicoccus alkaliphilus	Sebaldella termitidis	Streptomyces cesalbus	Tenacibaculum
Saccharopolyspora gregorii	Salinicoccus hispanicus		Streptomyces cescaepitosus	lutimaris
Saccharopolyspora hirsuta	Salinicoccus roseus	Serratia	Streptomyces cesdiastaticus	Tenacibaculum
Saccharopolyspora hordei	Salinispora	Serratia fonticola	Streptomyces cesexfoliatus	mesophilum
Saccharopolyspora rectivirgula	Salinispora arenicola	Serratia marcescens	Streptomyces fimbriatus	Tenacibaculum
Saccharopolyspora spinosa	Salinispora tropica	Sphaerotilus	Streptomyces fradiae	skagerrakense
Saccharopolyspora taberi	Salinivibrio	Sphaerotilus natans	Streptomyces fulvissimus	Tepidanaerobacter
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TABLE 2

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Sequences		Sequences
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SEQ IDs NO: 4 & 29 (example Expression Operating Unit, EOU) The EOU is (in 5' to 3' direction):-	15	SEQ ID NO: 26 (Spacer sequence) CTTTGCCGCGCGCTTCGTCACGTAATTCTCGTCGCAA
[SEQ ID NO: 4]-[promoter]-[TIS]-[GFP-encoding nucleotide sequence]-[SEQ ID NO: 29]		SEQ ID NO: 27 (Spacer sequence) GTTTGGCGATGGCGGGGTGTGGTTGTGCTTCGGCGT
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TABLE 3

		Anderson Promoter Collection	
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18	BBa J23111	TTGACGGCTAGCTCAGTCCTAGGTATAGTGCTAGC	0.58
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25	BBa J23118	$\tt TTGACGGCTAGCTCAGTCCTAGGTATTGTGCTAGC$	0.56		
Ander bStre Report of plant is EXBBa_J	25 BBa J23118 TTGACGGCTAGCTCAGTCCTAGGTATTGTGCTAGC 0.56 also shown in the Anderson Catalog, see parts.igem.org/Promoters/Catalog, Anderson ^b Strength is the Anderson Score (AS), e.g., a strength of 1 is a AS of 1. Reported activities of the promoters are given as the relative fluorescence of plasmids in strain TGI grown in LB media to saturation. A suitable plasmid is EX-Ptet-S-rbsRFP-P "RFP reporter" as described at parts.igem.org/Part: BBa_J61002; insertion of a promoter element between XbaI and SpeI sites results in a RFP reporter.				

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The invention claimed is:

acid vector for introduction into a target bacterial host cell for expression of Type I Cas3 and Cascade proteins in the target bacterial host cell, the vector comprising a first nucleotide sequence encoding a Type I Cas3 and a second nucleotide sequence encoding one or more cognate Cascade 65 proteins, wherein the first nucleotide sequence is under the control of a promoter for controlling the expression of Type

I Cas3 in the target bacterial host cell, wherein the promoter 1. A production strain bacterial cell comprising a nucleic 60 has a strength that is weaker than the Anderson Score strength of promoter BBa_J23108,

> wherein the target bacterial host cell is selected from the group consisting of Fusobacteria, Bacteroides, Staphylococcus, Clostridium, Lactobacillus, Bacillus, Escherichia, Streptococcus, Streptomyces, Pseudomonas, and Klebsiella,

- wherein the nucleic acid vector further comprises: (i) a CRISPR array for producing crRNAs in the target bacterial host cell; or (ii) one or more nucleotide sequences encoding one or more guide RNAs (gRNA), wherein the crRNAs or gRNAs each comprise a spacer 5 sequence complementary to a target sequence of the target bacterial host cell, and
- wherein the production strain bacterial cell does not comprise a crRNA or gRNA operable with the Cas3 to target and cut a chromosomal sequence of the produc- 10 tion strain cell.
- 2. The production strain bacterial cell of claim 1, wherein the nucleic acid vector comprises an operon for expression of the Type I Cas3 and Cascade proteins, and:
 - (a) the first nucleotide sequence is between the promoter 15 and the second nucleotide sequence in the operon;
 - (b) the operon comprises no Cas-encoding nucleotide sequences between the promoter and the first nucleotide sequence; or
 - (c) the operon comprises, in 5' to 3' direction, the pro- 20 moter, the first nucleotide sequence, and the second nucleotide sequence.
- 3. The production strain bacterial cell of claim 1, wherein the promoter is a constitutive promoter.
- **4**. The production strain bacterial cell of claim **1**, wherein 25 the promoter is repressible.
- 5. The production strain bacterial cell of claim 1, wherein the promoter has a strength that is greater than the Anderson Score strength of promoter BBa_J23114.
- **6**. The production strain bacterial cell of claim **1**, further 30 comprising an origin of replication that is operable in the target bacterial host cell.
- 7. The production strain bacterial cell of claim 1, wherein the nucleic acid vector is devoid of a Cas adaption module.
- **8**. The production strain bacterial cell of claim **1**, wherein 35 the nucleic acid vector is devoid of a nucleotide sequence encoding one or more of a Cas1, Cas2, Cas4, Cas6, Cas7,
- 9. The production strain bacterial cell of claim 1, wherein the second nucleotide sequence encodes one or more of 40 wherein the Type I Cas3 and Cascade are E. coli, C. difficile, (a)-(g):
 - (a) Cas11, Cas7, and Cas8a1;
 - (b) Cas8b1, Cas7, and Cas5;
 - (c) Cas5, Cas8c, and Cas7;
 - (d) Cas8U2, Cas7, Cas5, and Cas6;
 - (e) Cas10d, Cas7, and Cas5;
 - (f) Cas8e, Cas11, Cas7, Cas5, and Cas6; and
 - (g) Cas8f, Cas5, Cas7, and Cas6f.
- 10. The production strain bacterial cell of claim 9, wherein the Type I Cas3 is a Cas3' or Cas3".
- 11. The production strain bacterial cell of claim 9, wherein the Type I Cas3 is a Cas3, Cas3' or Cas3", and wherein the Type I Cas3 is between the promoter and the second nucleotide sequence.
- 12. The production strain bacterial cell of claim 11, 55 wherein the nucleic acid vector is devoid of a nucleotide sequence encoding a further Cas between the promoter and the Type I Cas3.
- 13. The production strain bacterial cell of claim 9, wherein the vector comprises the CRISPR array, the 60 CRISPR array is cognate with the Type I Cas3, and wherein:
 - (a) the CRISPR array is a Type IA array and the nucleic acid vector comprises Cas11, Cas7, and Cas8a1;
 - (b) the CRISPR array is a Type IB array and the nucleic acid vector comprises Cas8b1, Cas7, and Cas5;
 - (c) the CRISPR array is a Type IC array and the nucleic acid vector comprises Cas5, Cas8c, and Cas7;

- (d) the CRISPR array is a Type IU array and the nucleic acid vector comprises Cas8U2, Cas7, Cas5, and Cas6;
- (e) the CRISPR array is a Type ID array and the nucleic acid vector comprises Cas10d, Cas7, and Cas5;
- (f) the CRISPR array is a Type IE array and the nucleic acid vector comprises Cas8e, Cas11, Cas7, Cas5, and
- (g) the CRISPR array is a Type IF array and the nucleic acid vector comprises Cas8f, Cas5, Cas7, and Cas6f.
- 14. The production strain bacterial cell of claim 1, wherein the Type I Cas3 and Cascade are:
 - (a) Type IA Cas and Cascade proteins;
 - (b) Type IB Cas and Cascade proteins;
 - (c) Type IC Cas and Cascade proteins;
 - (d) Type ID Cas and Cascade proteins;
 - (e) Type IE Cas and Cascade proteins;
 - (f) Type IF Cas and Cascade proteins; or
 - (g) Type IU Cas and Cascade proteins.
- 15. The production strain bacterial cell of claim 1, wherein the Type I Cas3 and Cascade are E. coli Cas and Cascade proteins.
- 16. The production strain bacterial cell of claim 1, wherein the promoter is operable in a target host cell selected from: an ESBL-producing E. coli or E. coli ST131-O25b:H4; C. difficile resistant to one or more antibiotics selected from aminoglycosides, lincomycin, tetracyclines, erythromycin, clindamycin, penicillins, cephalosporins and fluoroquinolones; P. aeruginosa resistant to one or more antibiotics selected from carbapenems, aminoglycosides, cefepime, ceftazidime, fluoroquinolones, piperacillin and tazobactam; carbapenem-resistant Klebsiella pneumonia; and an Extended-Spectrum Beta-Lactamase (ESBL)-producing K. pneumoniae cell.
- 17. The production strain bacterial cell of claim 16, wherein the Type I Cas3 and Cascade are E. coli, C. difficile, P. aeruginosa, K. pneumoniae, P. furiosus, or B. halodurans Cas and Cascade proteins.
- 18. The production strain bacterial cell of claim 1, P. aeruginosa, K. pneumoniae, P. furiosus, or B. halodurans Cas and Cascade proteins.
- 19. The production strain bacterial cell of claim 1, wherein the Type I Cas3 is a Cas3 of a CRISPR/Cas locus 45 of E. coli, and wherein the distance between the Cas3encoding sequence of the locus and its cognate promoter in E. coli is further than the distance between the Cas3encoding sequence and the promoter for controlling the expression of Type I Cas3 in the nucleic acid vector.
 - 20. The production strain bacterial cell of claim 1, wherein the CRISPR array or the gRNA-encoding sequence(s) are under the control of a second promoter that is different from the promoter that controls the expression of the Type I Cas3.
 - 21. The production strain bacterial cell of claim 1, wherein the nucleic acid vector is a plasmid or phagemid.
 - 22. The production strain bacterial cell of claim 1, wherein the production strain bacterial cell comprises a nucleotide sequence whose expression is inducible to produce phage coat proteins in the cell of the production strain,
 - wherein the production strain bacterial cell comprises amplified copies of the nucleic acid vector,
 - wherein the production strain bacterial cell is capable of packaging the amplified copies of the nucleic acid vector into phage particles or non-self-replicative transduction particles for introducing the amplified copies of the nucleic acid vector into the target host cell.

- 23. The production strain bacterial cell of claim 22, wherein the nucleic acid vector is a plasmid or phagemid and the delivery vehicle is a non-replicative transduction particle.
- **24**. The production strain bacterial cell of claim 1, 5 wherein the second nucleotide sequence is under the control of the same promoter as the first nucleotide sequence.
- **25**. The production strain bacterial cell of claim **1**, wherein the target sequence of the target bacterial host cell is a chromosomal sequence of the target bacterial host cell. 10
- **26**. The production strain bacterial cell of claim **1**, wherein the production strain bacterial cell is an *Escherichia coli* (*E. coli*) cell.

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