

Table S1. Mean, variability (SD = standard deviation; 95% CI = 95% confidence intervals) and number of replicates (N) for each bacterial strain and growth parameter in all microcosm types.

| Microcosm | Growth Parameter | N | Mean | SD | 95% CI |
|---|-------------------------|----------|-------------|-----------|---------------|
| SEDIMENT + POREWATER | | | | | |
| <i>Roseivivax</i> | | | | | |
| Log _e Growth Rate (gene copies h ⁻¹) | | | | | |
| Monoculture | | 3 | 19.104 | 5.227 | ± 12.984 |
| + <i>Vibrio</i> (V) | | 3 | 9.423 | 3.513 | ± 8.727 |
| + <i>Pseudoalteromonas</i> (P) | | 3 | 19.997 | 2.694 | ± 6.692 |
| + <i>Bacillus</i> (B) + V | | 3 | 13.191 | 8.273 | ± 20.543 |
| + B + P | | 3 | 10.493 | 2.990 | ± 7.428 |
| + V + P | | 3 | 3.886 | 1.470 | ± 3.652 |
| Log _e Density (gene copies ml ⁻¹) | | | | | |
| Monoculture | | 3 | 2.261 | 0.591 | ± 1.468 |
| + <i>Vibrio</i> (V) | | 3 | 0.787 | 0.183 | ± 0.455 |
| + <i>Pseudoalteromonas</i> (P) | | 3 | 1.088 | 0.345 | ± 0.857 |
| + B + V | | 3 | 0.872 | 0.570 | ± 1.416 |
| + B + P | | 3 | 0.851 | 0.137 | ± 0.340 |
| + V + P | | 3 | 1.531 | 0.225 | ± 0.559 |
| Lag Time (h) | | | | | |
| Monoculture | | 3 | 12.698 | 4.903 | ± 12.179 |
| + <i>Vibrio</i> (V) | | 3 | 8.801 | 5.321 | ± 13.218 |
| + <i>Pseudoalteromonas</i> (P) | | 3 | 14.991 | 0.688 | ± 1.709 |
| + B + V | | 3 | 10.780 | 4.221 | ± 10.485 |
| + B + P | | 3 | 4.821 | 6.247 | ± 15.518 |
| + V + P | | 3 | 6.839 | 2.857 | ± 7.097 |
| <i>Bacillus</i> | | | | | |
| Log _e Growth Rate (gene copies h ⁻¹) | | | | | |
| Monoculture | | 3 | 15.104 | 2.285 | ± 5.676 |
| + <i>Vibrio</i> (V) | | 3 | 6.195 | 0.139 | ± 0.345 |
| + <i>Pseudoalteromonas</i> (P) | | 3 | 7.160 | 1.390 | ± 3.453 |
| + R + V | | 3 | 13.264 | 3.776 | ± 9.380 |
| + R + P | | 3 | 4.574 | 2.114 | ± 5.251 |
| + V + P | | 3 | 5.326 | 0.497 | ± 1.235 |
| Log _e Density (gene copies ml ⁻¹) | | | | | |
| Monoculture | | 3 | 2.164 | 0.250 | ± 0.621 |
| + <i>Vibrio</i> (V) | | 3 | 0.953 | 0.246 | ± 0.611 |

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|--------------------------------|---|--------|-------|--------------|
| + <i>Pseudoalteromonas</i> (P) | 3 | 0.846 | 0.190 | ± 0.472 |
| + R + V | 3 | 2.302 | 0.076 | ± 0.189 |
| + R + P | 3 | 1.114 | 0.111 | ± 0.276 |
| + V + P | 3 | 1.069 | 0.208 | ± 0.517 |
| Lag Time (h) | | | | |
| Monoculture | 3 | 8.896 | 4.054 | ± 10.070 |
| + <i>Vibrio</i> (V) | 3 | 0.261 | 0.360 | ± 0.894 |
| + <i>Pseudoalteromonas</i> (P) | 3 | 3.136 | 1.132 | ± 2.812 |
| + R + V | 3 | 12.111 | 7.933 | ± 19.701 |
| + R + P | 3 | 3.553 | 1.681 | ± 4.176 |
| + V + P | 3 | 1.765 | 2.066 | ± 5.132 |

Vibrio

| Log _e Growth Rate (gene copies h ⁻¹) | | | | |
|---|---|-------|-------|-------------|
| Monoculture | 3 | 2.903 | 0.680 | ± 1.689 |
| + <i>Bacillus</i> (B) | 3 | 5.477 | 0.371 | ± 0.922 |
| + <i>Roseivivax</i> (R) | 3 | 5.400 | 0.051 | ± 0.127 |
| + B + R | 3 | 4.495 | 1.106 | ± 2.747 |
| + B + P | 3 | 3.325 | 0.676 | ± 1.679 |
| + R + P | 3 | 3.733 | 1.241 | ± 3.082 |
| Log _e Density (gene copies ml ⁻¹) | | | | |
| Monoculture | 3 | 2.661 | 0.328 | ± 0.815 |
| + <i>Bacillus</i> (B) | 3 | 2.614 | 0.261 | ± 0.648 |
| + <i>Roseivivax</i> (R) | 3 | 2.751 | 0.250 | ± 0.621 |
| + B + R | 3 | 2.500 | 0.161 | ± 0.400 |
| + B + P | 3 | 2.857 | 0.175 | ± 0.435 |
| + R + P | 3 | 3.025 | 0.335 | ± 0.832 |
| Lag Time (h) | | | | |
| Monoculture | 3 | 1.917 | 0.733 | ± 1.821 |
| + <i>Bacillus</i> (B) | 3 | 0.295 | 0.023 | ± 0.057 |
| + <i>Roseivivax</i> (R) | 3 | 0.314 | 0.036 | ± 0.089 |
| + B + R | 3 | 3.610 | 1.134 | ± 2.817 |
| + B + P | 3 | 2.143 | 0.382 | ± 0.949 |
| + R + P | 3 | 2.555 | 1.646 | ± 4.088 |

Pseudoalteromonas

| Log _e Growth Rate (gene copies h ⁻¹) | | | | |
|---|---|---------|-------|-------------|
| Monoculture | 3 | 10.246 | 2.255 | ± 5.601 |
| + <i>Bacillus</i> (B) | 3 | 11.0160 | 1.093 | ± 2.715 |
| + <i>Roseivivax</i> (R) | 3 | 8.597 | 0.574 | ± 1.426 |
| + B + R | 3 | 12.007 | 2.354 | ± 5.847 |
| + B + V | 3 | 13.791 | 2.606 | ± 6.473 |

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|--|---|--------|-------|-------------|
| + R + V | 3 | 7.860 | 1.496 | ± 3.716 |
| Log _e Density (gene copies ml ⁻¹) | | | | |
| Monoculture | 3 | 3.735 | 0.665 | ± 1.652 |
| + <i>Bacillus</i> (B) | 3 | 4.177 | 0.077 | ± 0.191 |
| + <i>Roseivivax</i> (R) | 3 | 3.797 | 0.157 | ± 0.390 |
| + B + R | 3 | 3.853 | 0.483 | ± 1.200 |
| + B + V | 3 | 3.835 | 0.425 | ± 1.056 |
| + R + V | 3 | 3.743 | 0.407 | ± 1.011 |
| Lag Time (h) | | | | |
| Monoculture | 3 | 4.007 | 3.566 | ± 8.858 |
| + <i>Bacillus</i> (B) | 3 | 1.709 | 2.067 | ± 5.134 |
| + <i>Roseivivax</i> (R) | 3 | 4.794 | 2.207 | ± 5.482 |
| + B + R | 3 | 4.157 | 3.446 | ± 8.560 |
| + B + V | 3 | 10.456 | 3.111 | ± 7.728 |
| + R + V | 3 | 8.766 | 2.984 | ± 7.412 |

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Roseivivax

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|---|---|--------|-------|--------------|
| Log _e Growth Rate (gene copies h ⁻¹) | | | | |
| Monoculture | 3 | 13.726 | 4.503 | ± 11.186 |
| + <i>Vibrio</i> (V) | 3 | 7.565 | 4.163 | ± 10.341 |
| + <i>Pseudoalteromonas</i> (P) | 3 | 9.866 | 2.092 | ± 5.196 |
| + <i>Bacillus</i> (B) + V | 3 | 6.969 | 0.197 | ± 0.489 |
| + B + P | 3 | 5.321 | 0.894 | ± 2.221 |
| + V + P | 3 | 8.792 | 0.518 | ± 1.287 |
| Log _e Density (gene copies ml ⁻¹) | | | | |
| Monoculture | 3 | 1.213 | 0.260 | ± 0.646 |
| + <i>Vibrio</i> (V) | 3 | 0.705 | 0.120 | ± 0.298 |
| + <i>Pseudoalteromonas</i> (P) | 3 | 0.753 | 0.142 | ± 0.353 |
| + B + V | 3 | 0.812 | 0.320 | ± 0.794 |
| + B + P | 3 | 0.589 | 0.286 | ± 0.710 |
| + V + P | 3 | 1.173 | 0.159 | ± 0.395 |
| Lag Time (h) | | | | |
| Monoculture | 3 | 6.747 | 2.937 | ± 7.295 |
| + <i>Vibrio</i> (V) | 3 | 5.772 | 1.128 | ± 2.802 |
| + <i>Pseudoalteromonas</i> (P) | 3 | 3.028 | 2.535 | ± 6.297 |
| + B + V | 3 | 5.126 | 1.226 | ± 3.045 |
| + B + P | 3 | 5.276 | 4.541 | ± 11.280 |
| + V + P | 3 | 6.839 | 1.694 | ± 4.208 |

Bacillus

| Log _e Growth Rate (gene copies h ⁻¹) | | | | |
|---|---|-------|-------|---------|
| Monoculture | 3 | 5.913 | 0.123 | ± 0.356 |
| + <i>Vibrio</i> (V) | 3 | 4.429 | 1.261 | ± 3.132 |
| + <i>Pseudoalteromonas</i> (P) | 3 | 4.750 | 1.568 | ± 3.895 |
| + R + V | 3 | 3.941 | 1.227 | ± 3.048 |
| + R + P | 3 | 4.238 | 1.357 | ± 3.371 |
| + V + P | 3 | 3.681 | 1.244 | ± 3.090 |
| Log _e Density (gene copies ml ⁻¹) | | | | |
| Monoculture | 3 | 1.509 | 0.161 | ± 0.400 |
| + <i>Vibrio</i> (V) | 3 | 2.056 | 0.057 | ± 0.142 |
| + <i>Pseudoalteromonas</i> (P) | 3 | 1.723 | 0.169 | ± 0.420 |
| + R + V | 3 | 2.242 | 0.464 | ± 1.153 |
| + R + P | 3 | 1.872 | 0.429 | ± 1.066 |
| + V + P | 3 | 1.901 | 0.187 | ± 0.465 |
| Lag Time (h) | | | | |
| Monoculture | 3 | 0.251 | 0.037 | ± 0.092 |
| + <i>Vibrio</i> (V) | 3 | 1.411 | 1.127 | ± 2.790 |
| + <i>Pseudoalteromonas</i> (P) | 3 | 0.876 | 1.034 | ± 2.568 |
| + R + V | 3 | 3.120 | 2.051 | ± 5.095 |
| + R + P | 3 | 2.130 | 2.041 | ± 5.070 |
| + V + P | 3 | 1.335 | 0.893 | ± 2.218 |

Vibrio

| Log _e Growth Rate (gene copies h ⁻¹) | | | | |
|---|---|-------|-------|---------|
| Monoculture | 3 | 7.783 | 2.392 | ± 5.942 |
| + <i>Bacillus</i> (B) | 3 | 5.311 | 0.086 | ± 0.214 |
| + <i>Roseivivax</i> (R) | 3 | 5.845 | 0.596 | ± 1.480 |
| + B + R | 3 | 5.820 | 0.983 | ± 2.441 |
| + B + P | 3 | 4.942 | 0.551 | ± 1.368 |
| + R + P | 3 | 5.321 | 0.462 | ± 1.148 |
| Log _e Density (gene copies ml ⁻¹) | | | | |
| Monoculture | 3 | 2.493 | 0.242 | ± 0.601 |
| + <i>Bacillus</i> (B) | 3 | 3.031 | 0.270 | ± 0.671 |
| + <i>Roseivivax</i> (R) | 3 | 2.802 | 0.706 | ± 1.754 |
| + B + R | 3 | 2.411 | 0.381 | ± 0.946 |
| + B + P | 3 | 2.340 | 0.194 | ± 0.482 |
| + R + P | 3 | 2.499 | 0.243 | ± 0.604 |
| Lag Time (h) | | | | |
| Monoculture | 3 | 5.317 | 2.015 | ± 5.005 |
| + <i>Bacillus</i> (B) | 3 | 2.695 | 0.700 | ± 1.738 |
| + <i>Roseivivax</i> (R) | 3 | 4.353 | 0.274 | ± 0.681 |
| + B + R | 3 | 2.968 | 1.846 | ± 4.585 |

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| + B + P | 3 | 2.708 | 1.981 | ± 4.921 |
| + R + P | 3 | 2.148 | 1.735 | ± 4.309 |

Pseudoalteromonas

| Log _e Growth Rate (gene copies h ⁻¹) | | | | |
|---|---|--------|-------|-------------|
| Monoculture | 3 | 9.603 | 1.175 | ± 2.919 |
| + <i>Bacillus</i> (B) | 3 | 10.975 | 0.872 | ± 2.166 |
| + <i>Roseivivax</i> (R) | 3 | 10.717 | 2.600 | ± 6.458 |
| + B + R | 3 | 7.462 | 0.596 | ± 1.481 |
| + B + V | 3 | 8.965 | 0.806 | ± 2.002 |
| + R + V | 3 | 9.992 | 0.684 | ± 1.700 |
| Log _e Density (gene copies ml ⁻¹) | | | | |
| Monoculture | 3 | 2.517 | 0.160 | ± 0.397 |
| + <i>Bacillus</i> (B) | 3 | 2.463 | 0.279 | ± 0.693 |
| + <i>Roseivivax</i> (R) | 3 | 2.479 | 0.042 | ± 0.104 |
| + B + R | 3 | 2.240 | 0.363 | ± 0.902 |
| + B + V | 3 | 1.572 | 0.349 | ± 0.867 |
| + R + V | 3 | 1.556 | 0.280 | ± 0.696 |
| Lag Time (h) | | | | |
| Monoculture | 3 | 7.793 | 1.818 | ± 4.516 |
| + <i>Bacillus</i> (B) | 3 | 3.959 | 3.036 | ± 7.541 |
| + <i>Roseivivax</i> (R) | 3 | 5.947 | 1.752 | ± 4.352 |
| + B + R | 3 | 4.873 | 2.000 | ± 4.968 |
| + B + V | 3 | 5.135 | 2.193 | ± 5.447 |
| + R + V | 3 | 6.487 | 1.321 | ± 3.281 |