

***Galleria mellonella* as an Alternative *In Vivo* Model to Study Bacterial Biofilms on Stainless Steel and Titanium Implants**

Supplementary Data



Fig. S1: Biocompatibility of metallic K-wires in *G. mellonella*

The figure shows the presence of two moths that originated from the pupa that were further originated from larvae that were implanted with K-wire. Red colored marked region shows the presence of K-wire attached to insect body. This K-wire is transferred from larva to pupa and pupa to moth. This indicates that the metal K-wires are well integrated into the insect system.

Tab. S1: Image acquisition and reconstruction parameters for micro-CT analysis

	Control	Stainless steel	Titanium
Image acquisition			
Tube peak voltage (kVp)	40	130	80
Tube current (μA)	200	60	100
Rotation steps (°)	0.25	0.25	0.25
Beam hardening filter	no filter	1 mm Al	1 mm Al
Isotropic image pixel size (μm)	6.11	6.11	6.11
Image reconstruction			
Smoothing Kernel	Symmetrical boxcar	Symmetrical boxcar	Symmetrical boxcar
Smoothing Factor	2	2	1

Tab. S2: List of primer sequences used in this study

Gene	Primer sequence 5'-3'
<i>icaA</i> -for	5'-ATCAAGGCATTAAACAGGCTTC-3'
<i>icaA</i> -rev	5'-TGTAAGTGCACCAAGTTTTGGA-3'
<i>clfB</i> -for	5'-AACTCCAGGGCCCGGTTG-3'
<i>clfB</i> -rev	5'-CCTGAGTCGCTGTCTGAGCCTGAG-3'
<i>atl</i> -for	5'-GGATGTGCAGGATTCCATCT-3'
<i>atl</i> -rev	5'-AAACAAGCTGGTTGGGACAC-3'
<i>fnbB</i> -for	5'-ACGCTCAAGGCGACGGCAAAG-3'
<i>fnbB</i> -rev	5'-ACCTTCTGCATGACCTTCTGCACCT-3'
<i>fib</i> -for	5'-CGTCAACAGCAGATGCGAGCG-3'
<i>fib</i> -rev	5'-TGCATCAGTTTTCGCTGCTGGTTT-3'
<i>sarA</i> -for	5'-CAAACAACCACAAGTTGTTAAAGC-3'
<i>sarA</i> -rev	5'-TCGTTGTTTGCTTCAGTGATTTC-3'
<i>agrA</i> -for	5'-GCCCATTTAGATAACCGTCAAA-3'
<i>agrA</i> -rev	5'-GACAATTGCTCTTTTGAATCT-3'
<i>fnbA</i> -for	5'-TGGCGTATCAACTGCTAGAAAA-3'
<i>fnbA</i> -rev	5'-AGTTCAGCCGTTACATCAACCT-3'
<i>gyrB</i> -for	5'-GGTGACTGCATTGTCAGATGTAA-3'
<i>gyrB</i> -rev	5'-AACCTCTCTGAAGTCGATCCT-3'