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The family *Ruminococcaceae* (Rainey, 2009) comprises a morphologically, physiologically,
and ecologically divergent group of microorganisms within the order *Clostridiales*, the class *Clostridia* and the phylum *Firmicutes*, and was first described in the 2nd edition of Bergey's Manual
of Systematic Bacteriology (De Vos *et al.*, 2009) on the basis of 16S rRNA gene sequence
homology as opposed to the phenotypic classification used earlier. Historically, members of this
group belonged to 'clostridial clusters' III and IV according to classification introduced by Collins *et al.* (1994).

Despite the recent advances in resolving the 'taxonomic conundrum' within the *Clostridia*class, significant discrepancies still exist between the major DNA databases (Yutin & Galperin,
2013; Lawson & Rainey, 2016). According to the List of Prokaryotic Names with Standing in
Nomenclature (http://www.bacterio.net), the family *Ruminococcaceae* comprises 14 genera

51 (Acetanaerobacterium, Acetivibrio, Anaerofilum, Anaerotruncus, Ethanoligenens,

52 Faecalibacterium, Fastidiosipila, Hydrogenoanaerobacterium, Oscillibacter, Oscillospira,

53 Papillibacter, Ruminococcus, Sporobacter, and Subdoligranulum) of which 12 were included into

54 the original description of the family (Rainey, 2009). By contrast, the Ribosomal Database Project

55 (RDP, http://rdp.cme.msu.edu) lists 21 genera within this family including Butyricicoccus,

56 Saccharofermentans, Flavonifractor, Pseudoflavonifractor, Cellulosibacter and Gemmiger, as well

57 as the provisional taxonomic groups 'Clostridium cluster III' and 'Clostridium cluster IV' (Collins et

al., 1994), but excluding the genus Oscillospira which currently remains uncultured. The NCBI

59 Taxonomy database (http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Taxonomy/) also proposes 21 genera within

60 Ruminococcaceae partially overlapping with those in the RDP with the addition of

61 Caproiciproducens, Ercella, Mageeibacillus, Pseudobacteroides and Ruminiclostridium (the latter

62 taxon supersedes *Clostridium* clusters III and IV as suggested by Yutin & Galperin [2013]), to the

63 exclusion of Butyricicoccus, Cellulosibacter, Flavonifractor, and Pseudoflavonifractor. These and

64 other inconsistencies between different databases point out the necessity of further taxonomic

65 improvements within the *Clostridia* class. It is pertinent to note that all bacterial names should be

66 validly published in the International Journal of Systematic and Evolutionary Microbiology as

67 required by the Bacteriological Code. It is only these names that have standing in the literature,

68 which is often not reflected in the names used in DNA databases.

69 In spite of a high degree of phenotypic divergence, most members of the family 70 *Ruminococcaceae* share a number of common features. The majority of genera within this family 71 comprise strictly-anaerobic bacteria with a Gram-positive type of cell wall, albeit many species 72 actually stain Gram-negative. Metabolism is chemoorganoheterotrophic fermentative with a variety 73 of organic acids and H_2 produced as end products (Rainey, 2009). Some species are capable of 74 anaerobic respiration by utilizing fumarate and sulphur as electron acceptors (van Gelder et al., 75 2014). Morphologically the family is very diverse and includes species with rod-shaped (Zellner et 76 al., 1996; Duncan et al., 2002), coccoid (Sijpesteijn, 1948), and pleomorhic (Holmstrøm et al., 77 2004) cells, the most notable being a giant $(10-40 \times 3-6 \mu m)$ filamentous septate yet uncultured 78 bacterium Oscillospira guilliermondii (Yanagita et al., 2003). Some species form spores whilst 79 others are motile by peritrichous flagella (Grech-Mora et al., 1996; Zellner et al., 1996). A number 80 of genera (e.g. Ruminococcus, Faecalibacterium, Anaerotruncus, Fastidiosipila, Oscillospira, and 81 Subdoligranulum) are associated with human and animal hosts and have been isolated from feces, 82 rumen and intestinal contents, and blood. Other representatives of the family have more diverse 83 isolation sources including wastewater sludge, anaerobic digesters and bioreactors (Rainey, 2009). 84 One member of the Ruminococcaceae family, Faecalibacterium prausnitzii, has attracted 85 special attention during the last decade due to its important role in the human gut. Placed in the 86 genus Fusobacterium in 1973 (Cato et al., 1974), this acetate-consuming and butyrate-producing, 87 extremely oxygen-sensitive, anaerobic organism was re-assigned two decades later to the 88 *Clostridium leptum* group (clostridial cluster IV according to Collins taxonomy). Finally, it was 89 renamed as F. prausnitzii in 2002 by Duncan et al. This bacterial species constitutes around 5% of 90 total bacterial loads in the fecal samples from healthy adults as determined by metagenomic 91 sequencing (Arumugam et al., 2011) and from 2% to 45% according to 16S library sequencing (our 92 unpublished data). Depletion of this organism from the fecal microbiota has been implicated in the

93 pathogenesis of inflammatory bowel disease (IBD; Sokol et al., 2009). Moreover, recent studies

- 94 have confirmed anti-inflammatory activity of F. prausnitzii live cultures, cell supernatant and
- 95 certain purified components in animal models of IBD (Quévrain et al., 2015; Rossi et al., 2015).
- 96 Interestingly, despite its extreme air sensitivity *F. prausnitzii* may actually benefit from low oxygen
- 97 concentrations by using it for NADH regeneration through an extracellular electron shuttle (Khan *et*98 *al.*, 2012).

99 During an ongoing culture-based study of human fecal microbiome, in healthy adults and 100 children, two strains of strictly anaerobic Gram stain negative bacteria were isolated that 101 presumably belonged to the family Ruminococcaceae but could not be classified to species level 102 using routine identification approaches. Preliminary analysis has shown that the strains designated as 585-1^T and 668 were completely identical by their partial 16S rRNA gene sequences and were 103 104 moderately related to F. prausnitzii, Subdoligranulum variabile, Gemmiger formicilis, and 105 Anaerofilum species. The goal of the current study was to determine the taxonomic position of these 106 strains using polyphasic approach.

Strain 585-1^T was isolated from a stool sample of a 31-year-old healthy Russian male where it 107 108 was present at a concentration of ~ 1×10^8 c.f.u. g⁻¹. Strain 668 was isolated from the stool of a 5year-old healthy Russian male child at a concentration of ~ 4×10^8 c.f.u. g⁻¹. Fecal samples were 109 110 weighed, serially diluted with saline and spread over EG agar plates supplemented with 5% (v/v)111 defibrinated sheep blood. EG medium base consisted of (per 100 ml): 0.24 g Lab-Lemco powder 112 (Oxoid), 1.0 g Proteose peptone No. 3 (BD-Difco), 0.5 g yeast extract (BD-Difco), 0.4 g Na₂HPO₄, 113 0.15 g glucose, 0.05 g soluble starch, 0.02 g L-cystine, 1.5 g agar, 0.05 g L-cysteine HCl·H₂O. 114 Plates were incubated in an atmosphere of 85% N₂, 10% H₂, 5% CO₂ at 37°C for 72 h in anaerobic 115 jars (Schuett-Biotec). Well isolated colonies representative of each morphological type were 116 selected and streaked out several times to obtain pure cultures on EG-blood agar. Upon isolation, strains 585-1^T and 668 were cultured anaerobically on EG broth, PYG broth (Thermo Fisher) or 117 MRS broth (Himedia) supplemented with 5 mg l⁻¹ haemin. Cultures were incubated at 37°C for 48-118 119 96 h. Strains were preserved by freeze-drying of bacterial suspensions frozen in 10% (w/v) sucrose, 120 1% (w/v) gelatin solution. Susceptibility of the strains to bile and NaCl was tested in EG broth 121 supplemented with 0-3% (w/v) of Oxgall (Sigma-Aldrich) and 0-8% (w/v) of NaCl. Media were 122 inoculated from fresh agar cultures and growth was examined visually after 48 hours. Physiological 123 properties and enzyme profiles were determined using Vitek 2 ANC, Rapid ID 32A, and API 20A 124 identification systems (bioMérieux) essentially according to manufacturer's instructions except for 125 substitution of API 20A standard incubation medium for glucose-free MRS broth. Carbohydrate 126 fermentation was studied by supplementing MRS broth with 2% (w/v) of every substrate tested 127 instead of D-glucose as well as with 0.01% (w/v) of bromocresol purple. Cultures were incubated anaerobically for 72-96 h. 128

129 Analysis of short-chain fatty acids (SCFA) was performed in 168 h PYG broth culture supernatant using HPLC as described before (Shkoporov et al., 2015). Alcohols were analyzed 130 using Pye-Unicam 304 gas chromatograph equipped with 2 m x 2 mm glass column packed with 131 Porapak QS matrix (Fluka) in isocratic mode with column, injector, and detector temperatures of 132 133 100, 120, and 170°C, respectively. Cellular fatty acids and menaquinone profiles were analyzed in the late exponential phase cultures in MRS broth. Long-chain fatty acids were separated and 134 135 detected using gas chromatography – mass spectrometry (GC-MS) according to Zhilina et al. 136 (2012). Respiratory quinones were detected following the procedure of Collins (1985). For 137 peptidoglycan amino acid analysis cell walls were prepared as described by Schleifer & Kandler, 1972. The cell wall preparations were hydrolysed with 6 M HCl at 105°C for 6 h (Schuman, 2011). 138 139 Quantitative amino acid analysis was performed with an LC 600 amino acid analyser (Biotronic). 140 Ultrathin sections (50-60 nm thick) of culture pellets were prepared as described by Duda et 141 al. (2009) and examined in a JEOL JEM-1200EX transmission electron microscope with 142 accelerating voltage of 80 kV.

143 Genomic DNA was extracted and sequenced on Roche/454 GS Junior as described before (Shkoporov et al., 2015). Reads were assembled using Newbler v 2.7 into 108 contigs for strain 144 $585-1^{T}$ (N50 = 101,736 bp) with a combined length of 4,111,078 bp and 20.0x coverage and 108 145 contigs for strain 668 (N50 = 114,065 bp) resulting in a combined length of 3,951,525 bp and 17.9x146 coverage. Draft genome sequences of strains 585-1^T and 668 were deposited in GenBank 147 148 Nucleotide database under the accession numbers JXXK01000000 and LMUA01000000, 149 respectively. Annotation was performed using the NCBI Prokaryotic Genome Annotation Pipeline 150 (Angiuoli et al., 2008) with metabolic pathways constructed using the KEGG automated annotation 151 server (Moriya et al., 2007) followed by manual curation.

The complete 16S rRNA sequences of strains 585-1^T and 668 (KM098109 and KM098110, 152 respectively) and of the type strains from the family Ruminococcaceae were aligned using 153 154 MUSCLE (Edgar 2004).). All positions containing gaps and missing data were eliminated. Phylogenetic inference was performed using the neighbor-joining (NJ) approach in MEGA 6 155 156 (Tamura et al., 2013) with evolutionary distances calculated using Tamura-Nei substitution model 157 (Tamura & Nei, 1993). The robustness of the tree topology was evaluated by a bootstrapping with 158 1000 re-samplings (Felsenstein, 1985). Furthermore, in order to check the validity of the NJ tree, 159 maximum likelihood phylogeny was inferred by RAxML (Stamatakis, 2014) using the GTR model 160 with gamma distributed rate heterogeneity and 1000 rapid bootstrap re-samplings. Additionally, phylogeny of strains 585-1^T and 668 was inferred by using core proteome sequences across 23 161 162 representative strains of the family *Ruminococcaceae*. To select conserved orthologous proteins 163 encoded by publicly available Ruminococcaceae genomes we performed clustering of translated

genomic ORFs using OrthoMCL (Li *et al.* 2003) with an e-value cut-off 1E-5, percent identity cutoff 40% and MCL inflation index I = 1.1. As a result a core proteome of 204 conserved protein
families with a single representative encoded by every *Ruminococcaceae* genome from the set was
obtained. Amino acid sequences were concatenated and aligned using MUSCLE excluding all gaps.
Phylogenetic inference was carried out using Neighbor-Joining in MEGA 6 with the JTT
substitution model (Jones *et al.*, 1992) and 1000 bootstrap re-samplings. For each reconstructed
phylogeny *Clostridium perfringens* ATCC 13124^T was selected as an outgroup.

Average nucleotide identity (ANI) was calculated using 'Blast+'-based algorithm on
JSpeciesWS server (Richter et al., 2015).

173 The novel strains described in this study were obligately anaerobic, non-sporeforming, non-174 motile, Gram-negative staining rods. Cells collected from 96 h EG blood agar plates were 175 $1.6\pm0.3\times0.4\pm0.1$ µm in size and occurred singly and in pairs. Minute coccoid cells attached or 176 budding from the poles of rods were seen in some light and electron micrographs. Transmission electron micrographs of ultrathin sections of strain 585-1^T revealed highly heterogenous cytoplasm 177 178 with circular electron dense inclusion bodies (114±13 nm in diameter) and lamellar structures 179 visible in some cells (Fig. 1). Cell envelope organization was elaborate with several electron dense 180 and transparent layers visible, somewhat resembling a Gram-negative trilaminar cell envelope. 181 However, KOH test was negative for both strains. Similar elements were previously seen in the cell 182 envelope of Gemmiger formicilis (Gossling & Moore, 1975; Salanitro et al., 1976), a member of the family *Ruminococcaceae* moderately related to strains 585-1^T and 668 by 16S rRNA gene 183 sequence. Other related members of the family, A. agile and F. prausnitzii were shown, however, to 184 185 have a typical Gram-positive cell wall architecture with thin murein layer, despite their variable 186 staining in Gram method (Zellner et al., 1996; Rossi et al., 2015). In addition, thin microcapsule was visible on the surface of strain 585-1^T. Flagella, pili, and other types of surface appendages 187 were not detected in negatively stained preparations of strain 585-1^T. 188 189 After 96 h of anaerobic growth on EG blood agar colonies reached 0.15-0.4 mm in diameter

190 and were non-haemolytic, colorless, circular, flat, dry, with entire margins and rough surface. Supplementation of EG, MRS, and PYG broth media with 0.5% (w/v) maltose and 5 mg l⁻¹ haemin 191 192 strongly stimulated growth of both strains which otherwise was poor even after prolonged 193 incubation. The best overall growth support of the strains was obtained with MRS broth supplemented with maltose and haemin. The strains were not only resistant to 3% (w/v) of Oxgall 194 195 in EG broth, but also demonstrated enhanced growth in the form of threadlike, ropy and mucous 196 sediment. Both strains were resistant to up to 1% (w/v) NaCl in MRS broth. Using both MRS and 197 EG broth growth was observed at 37°C but not at 32° or 42°C. Aesculine and starch were

198 hydrolized by both strains. Indole, hydrogen sulphide, catalase, urease, and gelatinase were not

199 produced. Oxidase, nitrate reductase, and alkaline phosphatase reactions were also negative.

200 In Rapid ID 32A and Vitek 2 ANC identification panels, based on the use of chromogenic

201 enzyme substrates, both strains demonstrated positive reactions for a number of glycosyl

202 hydrolases, inlcuding α - and β -galactidases, α - and β -glucosidases, β -glucuronidase, α -

203 mannosidase, β -N-acetyl-glucosaminidase, but not for α -arabinosidase, α -L-fucosidase, β -D-

204 fucosidase, and β -mannosidase (Tables S1, S2). By contrast, all carbohydrate fermentation reactions

205 included in these panels were negative. All chromogenic arylamidase (exopeptidase) tests included

206 in the Rapid ID 32A and Vitek 2 ANC panels were negative for both strains, indicating that these

207 microorganisms specialize in the utilization of carbohydrate rather than protein substrates as carbon

208 source. Both strains were negative for most of the carbohydrate fermentation reactions in API 20A

209 tests. Acid production was detected from maltose, salicin, and weakly from D-glucose and L-

rhamnose (Table S3). In conventional carbohydrate fermentation tests acid production was detected
from maltose, salicin, D-galactose, L-rhamnose, weakly from D-mannose, melibiose and D-sorbitol.

Variable results were obtained with sucrose (Table S4). Growth on MRS without carbohydrates wasvery poor.

In disk-diffusion experiments strain 585-1^T was resistant to amikacin, ampicillin, azithromycin, cephalothin, clindamycin, levofloxacin, linezolid, and penicillin G, but sensitive to amoxyclav and vancomycin (Table S5).

When grown in PYG broth with 0.5% (w/v) glucose strains $585-1^{T}/668$ produced 22.2/24.4217 218 mM of D-lactate and 9.7/9.4 of mM succinate. In addition, strain 668 produced 7.2 mM of acetate. 219 Supplementation of PYG with 0.5% (w/v) maltose led to increased production of succinic acid 220 (17.2 mM) and formation of formic (11.0 mM) and acetic (6.9 mM) acids by strain 585-1^T. By contrast, growth of strains 585-1^T/668 on MRS broth supplemented with 0.5% (w/v) maltose 221 222 resulted in a wide range fermentation end products including 8.5/8.1 mM of formate, 13.1/10.1 mM 223 of acetate, 20.1/19.1 mM of D-lactate, 15.9/12.2 mM of succinate, 9.6/9.3 mM of propionate and 224 2.8/3.4 mM of butyrate. The overall composition of metabolic end-products in strains 585-1^T and 225 668 resembles those of other members of the family Ruminococcaceae isolated from human and 226 animal feces. The striking predominance of lactic acid among the end-products relates this group of 227 strains with the genus Anaerofilum (Zellner et al., 1996). However, unlike Anaerofilum, the novel 228 strains produced D-lactate isomer.

229 Cellular fatty acids (CFA) in strain 585-1^T were mostly composed of monounsaturated 230 species: $C_{18:1}\omega9$ (31.4-31.9%), $C_{18:1}\omega9$ aldehyde (20.6-21.0%), $C_{16:1}\omega7$ -cis (5.3-6.0%). Palmitic 231 acid (C16:0, 6.1-6.6%) and other saturated acids were present in minor amounts (Table S6). 232 According to literature, cell membranes of the closest related genera are composed mostly of 233 saturated CFA, e.g.: C_{14:0}, C_{16:0} and C_{16:0}, C_{18:0}, predominate in *Faecalibacterium* and 234 Subdoligranulum, respectively (Jantzen & Hofstad, 1981; Holmstrøm et al., 2004), while iso-C_{16:0}, 235 iso-C_{12:0}, anteiso-C_{17:0} are found in *Ethanoligenens* (Xing *et al.*, 2006). Species of *Ruminococcus* are quite diverse in their CFA composition, but C_{14:0}, C_{15:0}, C_{16:0}, iso-C_{15:0}, iso-C_{16:0}, anteiso-C_{17:0}, 236 and anteiso-C_{19:0} are the most common (Minato et al., 1988). Other genera of Ruminococcaceae 237 that are closely related to strains 585-1^T and 668 have not been characterized yet in terms of CFA 238 composition. Respiratory quinones were not detected in whole cell extracts from strains 585-1^T and 239 240 668. Amino acid composition of cell wall acid hydrolysates of the two strains was roughly identical and contained glycine (31.85- 33.99 nM), glutamic acid (31.46-33.75 nM), lysine (23.77-28.23 241 242 nM), alanine (23.36-28.87 nM), and aspartic acid (21.92-25.2 nM). The exact structure of of peptide 243 moiety has to be determined. However, such amino acid composition is consistent with peptidoglycan type A4 α (cross-linkage by L-Lys-D-Asp) according to Schleifer & Kandler (1972) 244 245 nomenclature or type A11.31 according to Schumann (2011). Similarly to Anaerofilum the lactyl 246 group of muramic acid is likely to be esterified with glycine.

The 4.11 Mbp draft genomic assembly of strain 585-1^T had an overall G+C content of 56.5 247 mol%, a total of 3,802 protein-coding genes, 51 tRNA, a set of rRNA genes and 1 CRISPR array. 248 249 The combined length of strain 668 draft assembly was slightly smaller, 3.95 Mbp, with a G+C 250 content of 56.6 mol%, encoding a total of 3,556 genes, 50 tRNA, a set of rRNA genes and 1 251 CRISPR array. Central carbon metabolism genes in both strains include a full complement for 252 Embden–Meyerhof–Parnas and pentose phosphate pathways, an almost complete set of genes for 253 Entner–Doudoroff pathway (excluding glucose-6-phosphate 1-dehydrogenase), a pyruvate 254 ferredoxin oxidoreductase gene, and genes required for first carbon oxidation in citrate cycle. 255 Therefore, the metabolic capabilities of the new strains presumably differ from those of F. 256 prausnitzii and Ruminococcus bromii (which lack identifiable transaldolase gene) and 257 Ethanoligenens harbinense (which lacks Entner-Doudoroff pathway genes, but possesses an almost 258 complete TCA cycle). Unlike F. prausnitzii the novel strains do not have any recognizable genes for 259 butyrate production from acetate including, acetyl-CoA acetyltransferase (thiolase), 3-hydroxyacyl-260 (β-hydroxybutyryl-) CoA dehydrogenase, 3-hydroxybutyryl-CoA dehydratase (crotonase), butyryl-261 CoA dehydrogenase, and butyryl-CoA:acetate CoA-transferase (Louis & Flint, 2009). No butyrate 262 kinase genes were detected as well. Furthermore, unlike F. prausnitzii the new strains lack succinate 263 dehydrogenase genes, but possess genes coding for lactate dehydrogenase, and aldehyde 264 dehydrogenase. The presence of alcohol dehydrogenase genes can enable the new strains to produce 265 ethanol, which, however, could not be detected in broth cultures under conditions used in this study. The repertoire of glycan degradation enzymes encoded by genomes of strains $585-1^{T}$ and 668266 267 include α - and β -galactidases, hexosaminidases, α - and β -mannosidases, β -glucuronidase

- 268 glucosylceramidase, α -L-fucosidase, α -amylase (only in 585-1^T) and sialidase (only in 668).
- 269 Analysis of amino acid biosynthesis genes suggest that the strains are able to synthesize from
- 270 common precursors most amino acids with the exception of tryptophan, tyrosine, alanine, arginine,
- and lysine. The strains appeared to be auxotrophic for most vitamins and enzyme cofactors,
- 272 however an almost complete pathway of anaerobic transformation of uroporphyrinogen III into
- cobamide coenzyme (Roper et al., 2000) was found in both genomes.
- A number of ABC-transporters were identified in the genomes of the new strains, which include predicted transport systems for spermidine/putrescine, raffinose/melibiose, methylgalactoside, phosphate, phosphonate, branched-chain amino acid, oligopeptide, iron complex, zinc (only in 585-1^T), cobalt, nickel, and biotin. The genomes of strains 585-1^T and 668 encode proteins required for RecF homologous recombination pathway. In addition, strain 585-1^T, but not 668, possess several genes coding for β -lactamases, which correlates well with resistance of the former strain to penicillin G, ampicillin, and cephalothin.
- 281 The ecological distribution of the new bacterium across the human population and across 282 various sites in human body has to be established. However, a brief search in NCBI 'nr' database 283 revealed that numerous 16S rRNA gene sequences from uncultured bacteria with ≥97% identity to 284 strain 585-1^T are present in 16S rRNA gene datasets from a number of studies, including a study of 285 a Chinese family fecal microbiota (Li et al., 2008), study of ileal microbiota in patients with Crohn's 286 disease (Li et al., 2012), and a study of gut microbiota in obese subjects (Lev et al., 2006). We also 287 conducted a blastn search against an inhouse dataset of 16S rRNA gene sequences (V1-V3 region), 288 which was generated using 454 platform from fecal samples of 19 healthy human subjects including the two subjects from whom strains 585-1^T and 668 were originally isolated. This search revealed 289 the presence of sequences with \geq 97% identity in 7 samples (36.8%) with relative abundance 290 291 ranging from 0.01% to 0.4% of the total number of sequences.
- Alignment of complete 16S rRNA genes from 585-1^T and 668 showed that they were 99.9% identical. The strains also had 91.7/91.6% identity to *Anaerofilum pentosovorans* Fae^T, 91.6/91.5%
- to A. agile F^T , 91.3/91.2% to G. formicilis ATCC 27749^T, 90.1% to S. variabile BI 114^T, and
- 295 88.9/88.8% identity to F. prausnitzii ATCC 27768^T. A search in NCBI 'wgs' database using 585-1^T
- 296 16S rRNA gene sequence revealed several highly identical (>99%) genes on gut shotgun
- 297 metagenomic contigs (LBCJ01000006, LBCI01000027), as well as a 16S rRNA gene from
- 298 unpublished draft assembly of human gut isolate 'Ruminococcaceae bacterium cv2'
- 299 (NZ_CYPT01000000). This 4.26 Mbp genomic sequence with a G+C content of 56.6 mol% has
- 300 been included in the phylogenetic analysis described herein.
- To establish the taxonomic positions of strains 585-1^T and 668 within the family
 Ruminococcaceae two different approaches of phylogenetic analyses were carried out. One was

303 based on 16S rRNA gene sequences from the type strains of family *Ruminococcaceae* and was 304 conducted using both neighbor-joining and maximum likelihood inference methods (Fig. 2). The other was performed on a concatenated alignment of 204 conserved orthologous proteins (Table S7) 305 306 encoded by the currently available complete and draft genomic sequences from the family *Ruminococcaceae* (Fig. 3) using the NJ approach. Both approaches reliably placed strains 585-1^T. 307 308 668 and cv2 inside the family Ruminococcaceae According to 16S rRNA phylogeny, the three 309 strains formed a separate branch which was located as a sister clade to the 310 Gemmiger/Subdoligranulum/Faecalibacterium clade. These two clades along with the genus 311 Anaerofilum clade together were a part of a larger phylogenetic cluster, which also included R. 312 bromii, [Clostridium] leptum, [Clostridium] sporosphaeroides and which corresponded to clostridial 313 cluster IV in Collins's taxonomy. The conserved proteins tree had a similar topology and placed the 314 three strains as a separate branch again as the sister clade to the Subdoligranulum/Faecalibacterium 315 clade. As an additional phylogenetic measure ANI was calculated after pairwise blastn all-versus-all searches between 585-1^T, 668, cv2, *F. prausnitzii* A2-165^T and *S. variabile* DSM 15176^T genomes. 316 317 The ANI between the strains 585-1^T, 668, cv2 ranged from 97.4 to 98.1%. F. prausnitzii A2-165^T 318 had 69.3-69.8% ANI to the new strains and 72.6% to S. variabile DSM 15176^T. S. variabile DSM 319 15176^T in turn displayed 68.8-69.5% identity to strains 585-1^T, 668, cv2 and 72.8% to *F. prausnitzii* A2-165T. 320

321 Strains 585-1^T and 668 differ from phylogenetically related genera within the family 322 *Ruminococcaceae* by cell morphology, physiological culture properties, enzymatic activity, 323 spectrum of metabolic end-products, CFA composition, and genome characteristics. Based on the 324 phenotypic and genotypic properties of strains 585-1^T and 668 it is concluded that they represent a 325 new species in a new genus within the family *Ruminococcaceae*, for which the name 326 *Ruthenibacterium lactatiformans* gen. nov., sp. nov is proposed. The main chemotaxonomic 327 characteristics of the new taxon in comparison with some of the related genera are given in Table 1.

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Description of Ruthenibacterium gen. nov.

Ruthenibacterium (Ru.the.ni.bac.te'ri.um. M.L. fem. n. *Ruthenia* medieval Latin name of
Russia; Gr. dim. n. *bakterion* a small rod; N.L. neut. n. *Ruthenibacterium* a rod-shaped bacterium
isolated in Russia).

Cells are Gram-negative, rod-shaped, obligately anaerobic, non-sporeforming, non-motile, 1.6±0.3×0.4±0.1 µm in size and occur singly and in pairs. Metabolism is chemoorganoheterotrophic fermentative. Optimal growth temperature is 37°C. D-lactate and succinate are the major endproducts of fermentation. Predominant cellular fatty acids are C1_{8:1} ω 9, C1_{8:1} ω 9a, C_{16:0}, and C_{16:1} ω 7cis. The peptidoglycan contains glycine, glutamic acid, lysine, alanine, and aspartic acid. 338 Menaquinones are not produced. Member of the family *Ruminococcaceae*. The type species is 339 *Ruthenibacterium lactatiformans*.

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341 **Description of** *Ruthenibacterium lactatiformans* sp. nov.

342 *Ruthenibacterium lactatiformans* (lac.ta.ti.for'mans. L. part. perf. pass. masc. *lactatus* fed 343 with milk, lactate; L. part. adj. *formans* forming; N.L. part. adj. *lactatiformans* lactate forming).

344 Exhibits the following characteristics in addition to those given in the description of the 345 genus. Growth on EG blood agar are visible after 72-96 h of anaerobic incubation at 37°C. 346 Colonies are 0.15-0.4 mm in diameter, non-haemolytic, colorless, circular, entire, flat, dry, and with rough surface. Colonies are positive for aesculin and starch hydrolysis and tolerant to bile. In broth 347 cultures growth is stimulated by 0.5% (w/v) maltose, 5 mg l⁻¹ haemin, and 2-3% (w/v) of Oxgall. 348 Indole, catalase, and urease are not produced. Gelatin is not digested. Acid is produced from D-349 350 glucose, D-galactose, maltose, salicin, L-rhamnose but not from L-arabinose, adonitol, lactose, D-351 mannitol, D-raffinose, and D-trehalose. In chromogenic substrates tests positive reactions are obtained for α - and β -galactidases, α - and β -glucosidases, β -glucuronidase, β -N-acetyl-352 glucosaminidase, but not for α-arabinosidase and α-fucosidase. The DNA G+C content is 56.4-56.6 353 354 mol%.

The type strain of the species, isolated from human feces, is $585-1^{T}$ (= DSM 100348^T, = VKM B-2901^T)

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- 491 **Table 1. Differential characteristics of strain 585-1**^T and 668 in comparison with some related genera. Data for other genera within the family
- 492 Ruminococcaceae are taken from Cato et al. (1974), Duncan et al. (2002), Jantzen & Hofstad (1981), Holmstrøm et al. (2004), Gossling & Moore
- 493 (1975), Zellner et al. (1996), Xing et al. (2006), Wozny et al. (1977), Minato et al. (1988) and Rainey (2009). NA, data not available; V, variable; W,
- 494 weak; a/b/f/ib/iv/l/p/s/v/e/bdl;, fermentation end products (acetic, butyric, fumaric, isobutyric, isovaleric, lactic, propionic, succinic and valeric acids,
- 495 ethanol, and 2,3-butanediol, respectively; capital and small letters indicate major and minor products, respectively).

	Strains 585-1 and 668	Faecalibacterium	Subdoligranulum	Gemmiger	Anaerofilum	Ethanoligenens	Anaerotruncus	Ruminococcus
Isolation source	Human feces	Human and animal feces	Human feces	Human feces and chicken ceca	Anaerobic sewage sludge	Anaerobic sewage sludge	Human feces and blood	Rumen, large bowel, or cecum of many animals and humans
Cell shape	Straight rods (occur singly and in pairs	Variable length straight rods (occur singly)	Coccoid and pleomorphic	Spherical to drop-like (often in pairs and short chains)	Thin straight rods (single and in pairs)	Rods and filaments	Thin rods	Cocci and coccobacilli (often in pairs and chains)
Cell size, µm	1.6±0.3×0.4±0.1	0.5–0.8 × 2.0– 14.0	0.6–2.5	$1-2.3 \times 0.5-1.2$	3.0–6.0 × 0.3– 0.6	0.4–0.8 × 1.5– 8.0	$2-5 \times 0.5$	$0.3 - 1.5 \times 0.7 - 1.8$
Gram stain result	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	V
Spores	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-
Motility	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-
Growth temperature, °C	37	37–45	37–45	37-45	18–44	20–44	36–40	37–42
Aesculin hydrolysis	+	+	+	+	V	+	-	V
Starch hydrolysis	+	V	-	V	-	W	-	V
Indole production	-	-	-	-	NA	+	+	-
Urease	-	-	-	-	NA	+	-	+
Optimal growth medium	EG, MRS	M2GSC, YCFA, Wilkins- Chalgrene broth (Oxoid)	M2GSC, Fastidious Anaerobe Broth (Oxoid)	E medium*	DSMZ medium 119	PYG broth	Brucella blood agar (Anaerobe Systems)	Rumen fluid agar
Major end products	L, S, a (PYG)	B, L, F, s†, p† (PYG-RF)	B, L, a, s	F, B, l, a (PYG)	L, A, E, F, bdl, CO ₂	A, E, H ₂ , CO ₂	A, B (PYG)	A, F, S, L, e, H ₂ (PYG)
Major cellular fatty acids	$\begin{array}{c} C_{18:1} \omega 9, \\ C_{18:1} \omega 9a, \ C_{16:0}, \\ C_{16:1} \omega 7\text{-cis} \end{array}$	C _{14:0} , C _{16:0}	$\begin{array}{c} C_{16:0}, \\ C_{18:0}, \\ C_{18:1} \omega 9\text{-cis} \end{array}$	NA	NA	iso- $C_{16:0}$, iso- $C_{12:0}$, anteiso- $C_{17:0}$	NA	$\begin{array}{c} C_{14:0}, C_{15:0}, C_{16:0}, \\ \text{iso-} C_{15:0}, \text{iso-} \\ C_{16:0}, \text{ai-} C_{17:0} \text{ai-} \\ C_{19:0} \end{array}$
G+C content, mol%	56.4-56.6‡	47-67 (56.2-57.7‡)	52.2 (57.9 ‡)	59	54-55	47.8-49.0 (55.6‡)	53-54 (54.2 ‡)	37-47 (41.1-53.4 *)
Genome size, Mb	3.9-4.3§	2.9-3.3	3.25	NA	NA	3.0	3.7	2.2-4.6

- * Holdeman & Moore, 1973
- † trace amounts

 - ‡ based on draft and complete genome assemblies
 § includes a closely related genome of strain '*Ruminococcaceae* bacterium cv2' (NZ_CYPT01000000)

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2 **Figure legends.**

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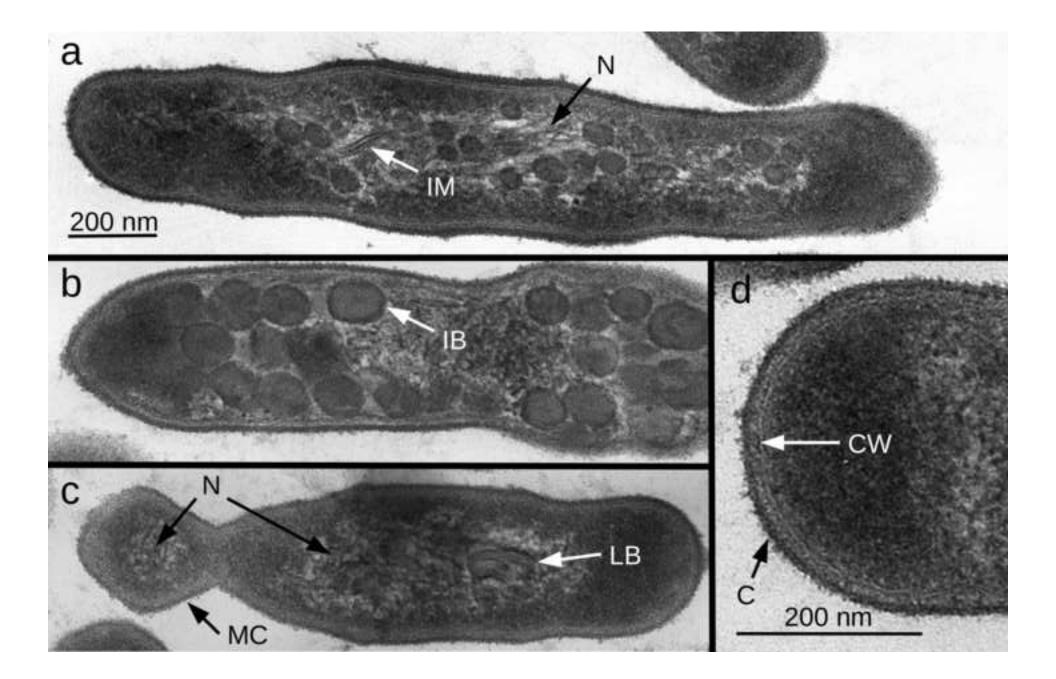
Figure 1. Transmission electron micrographs of ultrathin sections of strain 585-1^T cells showing overall cell morphology (a), spherical inclusion
 bodies (b), laminate structures (c), and cell wall organization (d). C, microcapsule; CW, multilayer cell wall; IB, inclusion bodies; IM, intracytoplasmic
 membrane structures; LB, lamellar bodies; MC, minute cells; N, nucleoid.

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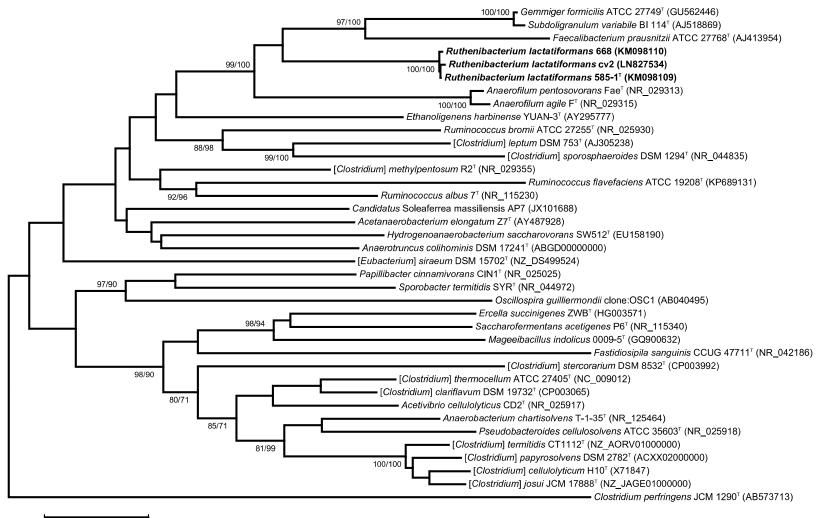
508 Figure 2. Neighbor-joining phylogenetic tree of 16S rRNA gene sequences. Evolutionary distances were computed using the Tamura-Nei 509 substitution matrix. The scale bar represents 0.02 substitutions per nucleotide position. Accession number in Genbank database is given next to a strain 510 name. Node labels represent bootstrap confidence levels obtained using Neighbor-joining/Maximum likelihood methods. Only the nodes with both 511 bootstrap levels higher than 70% are labeled.

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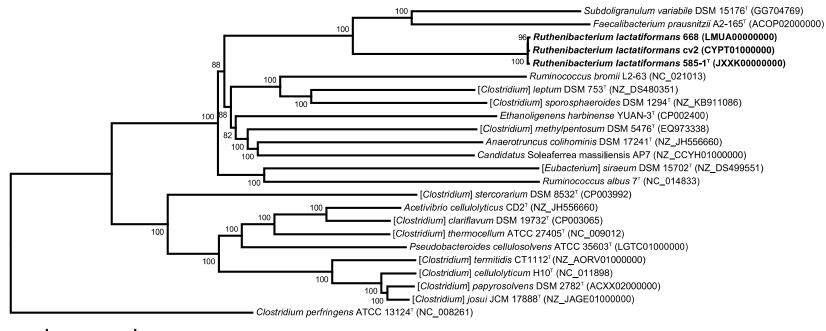
513 Figure 3. Neighbor-joining phylogenetic tree of concatenated sequences of 204 conserved proteins. Evolutionary distances were computed using 514 the JTT matrix. The scale bar represents 0.1 substitutions per amino acid position. Accession numbers in Genbank database is given next to a strain 515 name. Node labels represent bootstrap confidence levels obtained using neighbor-joining method.











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Supplementary data

Ruthenibacterium lactatiformans gen. nov., sp. nov., a new anaerobic, lactate-producing member of the family *Ruminococcaceae* isolated from human feces

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Table S1. Biochemical profiles of strains 585-1^T and 668 obtained using the Vitek 2 ANC identification panel.

	Biochemical test	Code	Stra	ains
			585-1	668
4	D-Galactose	dGal	-	-
5	Leucine arylamidase	LeuA	-	-
6	ELLMAN	ELLM	+	+
7	Phenylalanine Arylamidase	PheA	-	-
8	L-Proline arylamidase	ProA	-	-
10	L-Pyrrolydonyl arylamidase	PyrA	-	-
11	D-Cellobiose	dCEL	-	-
13	Tyrosine arylamidase	TyrA	-	-
15	Ala-Phe-Pro arylamidase	APPA	-	-
18	D-Glucose	dGLU	-	-
20	D-Mannose	dMNE	-	-
22	D-Maltose	dMAL	-	-
28	Sucrose	SAC	-	-
30	Arbutine	ARB	-	-
33	N-Acetyl-glucosamine	NAG	-	-
34	5-Bromo-4-chloro-3-indoxyl-β-glucoside	BGLUi	+	+
36	Urease	URE	-	-
37	5-Bromo-4-chloro-3-indoxyl-β-glucuronide	BGURi	+	+
39	5-Bromo-4-chloro-3-indoxyl-β-galactopyranoside	BGALi	+	+
41	α-Arabinosidase	AARA	+	+
42	5-Bromo-4-chloro-3-indoxyl-α-galactoside	AGALi	+	+
43	β-Mannosidase	BMAN	-	-
44	Arginine GP	ARG	-	-
45	Pyruvate	PVATE	-	-
51	Maltotriose	MTE	-	-
53	Aesculine, hydrolysis	ESC	+	+
54	β-D-Fucosidase	BdFUC	-	-
55	5-Bromo-4-chloro-3-indoxyl-β-N-acetyl-glucosamide	BNAGi	+	+
56	5-Bromo-4-chloro-3-indoxyl-α-mannoside	AMANi	+	+
57	α-L-Fucosidase	AIFUC	-	_
59	Phosphatase	PHOS	-	-
60	L-arabinose	IARA	-	_
61	D-Ribose 2	dRIB2	-	-
62	Phenylphosphonate	OPS	-	_
63	α-L-Arabinosidase	AARAF	-	-
64	L-Xylose	dXYL	_	_

Biochemical test	Code	Substrate	Strains	
			585-1	668
Urease	URE	Urea	-	-
Arginine dihydrolase	ADH	L-arginine	-	-
α-galactosidase	αGAL	4-nitrophenyl-αD-	+	+
		galactopyranoside-		
β–galactosidase	βGAL	4-nitrophenyl-βD-	+	+
		galactopyranoside		
β–galacostidase 6	βGP	4-nitrophenyl-βD-	-	-
phophate		galactopyranoside-6-phosphate-		
		2CHA		
α-glucosidase	αGLU	4-nitrophenyl-αD-glucopyranoside	+	+
β-glucosidase	βGLU	4-nitrophenyl-βD-glucopyranoside	+	+
α-arabinosidase	αARA	4-nitrophenyl- αL-	-	-
		arabinofuropyranoside		
β-glucuronidase	βGUR	4-nitrophenyl-βD-glucuronide	+	+
β-N-acetyl	βNAG	4-nitrophenyl-N-acetyl-β-D-	+	+
glucosaminidase		glucosaminide		
Mannose fermentation	MNE	D-mannose	-	-
Raffinose fermentation	RAF	D-raffinose	-	-
glutamate decarboxylase	GDC	Glutamic acid	-	-
α-fucosidase	αFUC	4-nitrophenyl- αL-fucopyranoside	-	-
nitrate reductase	NIT	Potassium nitrate	-	-
Indole production	IND	L-tryptophane	-	-
alkaline phosphatase	PAL	2-naphtyl-phosphate	-	-
Arginine arylamidase	ArgA	L-arginine- β-naphtylamide	-	-
Proline arylamidase	ProA	L-proline- β-naphtylamide	-	-
leucyl glycine	LGA	L-leucyl-L-glycine - β-	-	-
arylamidase		naphtylamide		
phenylalanine	PheA	L- phenylalanine - β-naphtylamide	-	-
arylamidase				
leucine arylamidase	LeuA	L-leucine- β-naphtylamide	-	-
Pyroglutamic acid	PyrA	Pyroglutamic acide - β-	-	-
arylamidase		naphtylamide		
Tyrosine arylamidase	TyrA	L-tyrosine- β-naphtylamide	-	-
Alanine arylamidase	AlaA	L-alanyl-L-alanine- β-naphtylamide	-	-
Glycine arylamidase	GlyA	L-glycine- β-naphtylamide	-	-
Histidine arylamidase	HysA	L-histidine- β-naphtylamide	-	-
Glutamyl Glutamic acid	GGA	L-glutamyl-L-glutamic acide β-	-	-
arylamidase		naphtylamide		
Serine arylamidase	SerA	L-serine- β-naphtylamide	-	-

Table S2. Biochemical profiles of strains $585-1^{T}$ and 668 obtained using the Rapid ID 32 A panel.

Table S3. Biochemical characteristics of strains $585-1^{T}$ and 668 determined using API 20 A identification system with MRS medium (readings after 72 h incubation at 37° C).

Characteristic	585	668
Indole production	-	-
Urease activity	-	-
Acid production from D-glucose	weak	weak
Acid production from D-mannitol	-	-
Acid production from <u>lactose</u>	-	-
Acid production from sucrose	-	-
Acid production from maltose	+	+
Acid production from salicin	+	+
Acid production from D-xylose	-	-
Acid production from L-arabinose	-	-
Gelatin digestion	-	-
Aesculin hydrolysis	+	+
Acid production from <u>glycerol</u>	-	-
Acid production from D- <u>cellobiose</u>	-	-
Acid production from D-mannose	-	-
Acid production from D-melezitose	-	-
Acid production from D- <u>raffinose</u>	-	-
Acid production from D-sorbitol	-	-
Acid production from L- <u>rhamnose</u>	weak	weak
Acid production from D- <u>trehalose</u>	-	-
Catalase production	-	-

Table S4. Carbohydrate fermentation profiles of strains $585-1^{T}$ and 668 determined in MRS medium supplemented with 0.01% (w/v) bromocresol purple indicator (readings after 96 h incubation at 37° C).

Characteristic	585	668
Acid production from <u>D-glucose</u>	+	+
Acid production from D-mannitol	-	-
Acid production from lactose	-	-
Acid production from sucrose	+	weak
Acid production from maltose	+	+
Acid production from salicin	+	+
Acid production from D-galactose	+	+
Acid production from <u>L-arabinose</u>	-	-
Acid production from <u>adonitol</u>	-	-
Acid production from α -methyl-D-glucoside	-	-
Acid production from <u>D-mannose</u>	weak	weak
Acid production from melibiose	weak	weak
Acid production from <u>D-raffinose</u>	-	-
Acid production from <u>D-sorbitol</u>	weak	weak
Acid production from <u>L-rhamnose</u>	+	+
Acid production from <u>D-trehalose</u>	-	-
Acid production from <u>amygdalin</u>	-	-

Antibiotic		Amount of substance in disk, µg	Diameter of growth inhibition zone, mm 585-1	Sensitivity, Yes/No
Amikacin	Ak	30	5	No
Amoxyclav	Ac	30	50	Yes
Ampicillin	A	2	5	No
Azithromycin	At	15	5	No
Cephalothin	Ch	30	5	No
Clindamycin	Cd	2	12	No
Levofloxacin	Le	5	5	No
Linezolid	Lz	30	20	No
Penicillin G	Р	10 U	5	No
Vancomycin	Va	30	18	Yes

Table S5. Antibiotic susceptibility profile of strain 585-1^T determined using disk-diffusion method on (growth inhibition zones were measured 72 h after inoculation on EG agar).

CFA species*	Peak area (percentage of total), Experiment 1	Peak area (percentage of total), Experiment 2
14:1ω3	0.3%	0.7%
14:0	0.9%	2.2%
ai15	0.1%	0.4%
15:0	0.2%	0.3%
15:1ω6	0.1%	0.2%
i16	0.1%	0.1%
16:1ω9	0.2%	0.2%
16:1ω7c	5.3%	6.1%
16:1ω7t	0.2%	0.2%
16:1ω5	0.2%	0.1%
16:0	6.1%	6.6%
16:1ω7a	1.6%	1.4%
16a	3.0%	2.1%
i17	0.9%	0.8%
ai17	0.7%	2.9%
17:1ω8	0.8%	1.4%
17:0	0.7%	0.9%
i17a	0.1%	0.1%
ai17a	1.0%	0.7%
17:1ω8a	0.6%	0.5%
17a	0.1%	0.1%
18:2	0.2%	0.3%
18:1ω9	31.9%	31.4%
18:1ω7c	5.3%	4.8%
18:1ω7t	3.5%	3.0%
18:1ω5	0.4%	0.4%
18:0	2.3%	1.6%
18:1 ω9 a	21.1%	20.6%
18:1ω7ca	5.2%	3.8%
18:1ω7ta	1.0%	1.0%
18:1ω5a	0.3%	0.5%
18a	1.2%	0.9%
i19	0.4%	0.0%
19:0	0.1%	0.6%
i19a	0.1%	0.1%
ai19a	0.2%	0.1%
20:1ω9	0.4%	0.5%
10h18	3.1%	2.3%
20:0	0.2%	0.1%
	100.0%	100.0%

Table S6. Cellular fatty acids (CFA) analysis from 2 mg of washed and dried cells of strain 585-1.

* c, *cis*; t, *trans*; i, *iso*; ai, *anteiso*; a, aldehyde; h, hydroxy

Table S7. List of 204 core proteins used for phylogenetic inference.

Locus tag in str Protein annotation

_	Protein annotation
TQ39_RS06915	peptidyl-tRNA hydrolase
TQ39 RS00675	RNA methyltransferase
TQ39 RS11970	ATP-dependent DNA helicase RecG
TQ39_RS07070	•
	gamma-glutamyl-phosphate reductase
TQ39_RS06745	Holliday junction resolvase
TQ39_RS15555	thiamine pyrophosphokinase
TQ39_RS02850	RNA polymerase sigma factor RpoD
TQ39 RS10525	hypothetical protein
TQ39 RS05190	50S ribosomal protein L18
TQ39 RS05235	50S ribosomal protein L16
TQ39 RS13860	hypothetical protein
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TQ39_RS00710	transcription antitermination protein NusB
TQ39_RS05200	30S ribosomal protein S8
TQ39_RS05765	mRNA interferase PemK
TQ39_RS10565	aminopeptidase
TQ39 RS05275	30S ribosomal protein S10
TQ39 RS02285	16S rRNA maturation RNase YbeY
TQ39 RS09960	non-canonical purine NTP pyrophosphatase
TQ39 RS04565	hypothetical protein
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TQ39_RS06225	cysteinetRNA ligase
TQ39_RS13430	phosphoglucosamine mutase
TQ39_RS01830	excinuclease ABC subunit B
TQ39_RS00625	queuine tRNA-ribosyltransferase
TQ39_RS05145	30S ribosomal protein S13
TQ39 RS10570	ribosomal protein S12 methylthiotransferase
TQ39 RS05280	RNA-binding protein
TQ39 RS10515	riboflavin biosynthesis protein RibF
TQ39 RS16585	ATPase
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TQ39_RS05260	50S ribosomal protein L23
TQ39_RS05130	DNA-directed RNA polymerase subunit alpha
TQ39_RS05175	50S ribosomal protein L15
TQ39_RS09950	RNA-binding protein
TQ39_RS05240	30S ribosomal protein S3
TQ39 RS08300	chorismate synthase
TQ39 RS10005	50S ribosomal protein L35
TQ39 RS14235	50S ribosomal protein L27
TQ39 RS14210	transcriptional regulator
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TQ39_RS14240	50S ribosomal protein L21
TQ39_RS10530	ribosome-binding factor A
TQ39_RS15615	hypothetical protein
TQ39_RS16435	hypothetical protein
TQ39_RS05725	cytidylate kinase
TQ39 RS00085	alaninetRNA ligase
TQ39 RS10075	ferredoxin-NADP+ reductase subunit alpha
TQ39 RS04365	tRNA sulfurtransferase Thil
TQ39 RS00745	
- <u>-</u>	stage III sporulation protein AC
TQ39_RS01765	hypothetical protein

TQ39 RS12370 50S ribosomal protein L13 TQ39 RS16590 sigma-70 family RNA polymerase sigma factor TQ39 RS14225 cysteine--tRNA ligase TQ39_RS08165 hypothetical protein TQ39 RS00670 hypothetical protein TQ39 RS00090 histidine triad nucleotide-binding protein TQ39 RS11410 ribosome biogenesis GTPase Der TQ39_RS09185 membrane protein insertase TQ39 RS10550 transcription termination factor NusA TQ39 RS00595 DNA repair protein RadA TQ39 RS07895 nucleoside triphosphate pyrophosphohydrolase TQ39_RS15600 primosomal protein N' TQ39 RS05620 **RNA** methyltransferase TQ39 RS05165 adenylate kinase TQ39 RS10805 adenylosuccinate lyase TQ39 RS04610 DUF378 domain-containing protein TQ39 RS10070 dihydropyrimidine dehydrogenase subunit A argininosuccinate synthase TQ39 RS11560 TQ39_RS13510 1-deoxy-D-xylulose-5-phosphate reductoisomerase TQ39 RS10685 50S ribosomal protein L11 TQ39 RS09220 hypothetical protein TQ39 RS02265 DNA mismatch repair protein MutS TQ39 RS02365 50S rRNA methyltransferase TQ39 RS02870 IMPACT family protein phosphoribosylformylglycinamidine cyclo-ligase TQ39 RS10830 TQ39 RS05790 phenylalanine--tRNA ligase subunit beta TQ39 RS10510 30S ribosomal protein S15 TQ39 RS09275 16S rRNA methyltransferase TQ39 RS05195 50S ribosomal protein L6 TQ39_RS05245 50S ribosomal protein L22 TQ39 RS07880 sporulation protein YabP TQ39 RS13505 **RIP** metalloprotease RseP TQ39 RS09270 kinase to dihydroxyacetone kinase TQ39 RS09295 serine--tRNA ligase TQ39 RS05215 50S ribosomal protein L24 TQ39_RS09350 ADP-ribose pyrophosphatase TQ39 RS05700 tRNA-specific adenosine deaminase TQ39 RS03410 triose-phosphate isomerase TQ39 RS08545 **RNA-binding protein** hypothetical protein TQ39 RS10575 TQ39 RS15605 guanylate kinase TQ39 RS10690 50S ribosomal protein L11 TQ39 RS10520 pseudouridine synthase TQ39 RS08450 hypothetical protein TQ39 RS08075 methionine--tRNA ligase TQ39 RS13865 hypothetical protein TQ39 RS14230 GTPase CgtA TQ39 RS09250 tRNA modification GTPase TQ39 RS01880 50S ribosomal protein L9 TQ39 RS04625 uracil phosphoribosyltransferase nifR3 family TIM-barrel protein TQ39 RS10375 TQ39 RS02210 elongation factor Ts amidophosphoribosyltransferase TQ39 RS10840

TQ39 RS02855 **DNA** primase TQ39 RS06530 hypothetical protein dimethyladenosine transferase TQ39 RS09845 TQ39_RS00665 arginine repressor ArgR TQ39 RS00740 stage III sporulation protein AD TQ39 RS00630 aspartate-semialdehyde dehydrogenase DNA repair protein RecO TQ39 RS02270 TQ39 RS09190 ribonuclease P protein component TQ39 RS15545 stage IV sporulation protein A TQ39 RS02880 50S ribosomal protein L31 TQ39 RS16490 cell division protein FtsZ TQ39_RS02295 hypothetical protein TQ39 RS04700 hypothetical protein TQ39 RS12375 30S ribosomal protein S9 TQ39 RS04400 formate--tetrahydrofolate ligase TQ39 RS02275 **GTPase** Era stage 0 sporulation protein TQ39 RS09415 cell division protein FtsE TQ39 RS09865 TQ39_RS08555 signal recognition particle protein DNA-directed RNA polymerase subunit beta' TQ39 RS02835 TQ39 RS13500 PolC-type DNA polymerase III Holliday junction DNA helicase RuvB TQ39 RS13440 TQ39 RS05230 50S ribosomal protein L29 TQ39 RS15665 hypothetical protein N(6)-L-threonylcarbamoyladenine synthase TsaD TQ39 RS10410 TQ39 RS05210 50S ribosomal protein L5 TQ39 RS10535 translation initiation factor IF-2 TQ39 RS00985 ATP-dependent DNA helicase PcrA TQ39 RS11435 glucose-6-phosphate isomerase TQ39_RS10715 hypothetical protein 50S ribosomal protein L3 TQ39 RS05270 TQ39 RS15925 YggS family pyridoxal phosphate enzyme 30S ribosomal protein S2 TQ39 RS02215 TQ39 RS00720 hypothetical protein TQ39 RS05265 50S ribosomal protein L4 TQ39 RS13525 ribosome recycling factor TQ39 RS00615 preprotein translocase subunit YajC TQ39 RS06905 transcription-repair coupling factor TQ39 RS08560 **DNA-binding protein** adenylosuccinate synthetase TQ39 RS03480 TQ39 RS01110 UDP-N-acetylenolpyruvoylglucosamine reductase TQ39 RS12250 endonuclease III TQ39 RS09900 elongation factor P TQ39 RS01785 DNA mismatch repair protein MutL TQ39 RS10670 50S ribosomal protein L7/L12 TQ39 RS10000 50S ribosomal protein L20 TQ39 RS10695 preprotein translocase subunit SecE TQ39 RS10680 50S ribosomal protein L1 TQ39 RS09200 chromosomal replication initiator protein DnaA sporulation protein YtfJ TQ39 RS15645 50S ribosomal protein L30 TQ39 RS05180 TQ39 RS05155 translation initiation factor IF-1 N5-carboxyaminoimidazole ribonucleotide mutase TQ39 RS10845

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