

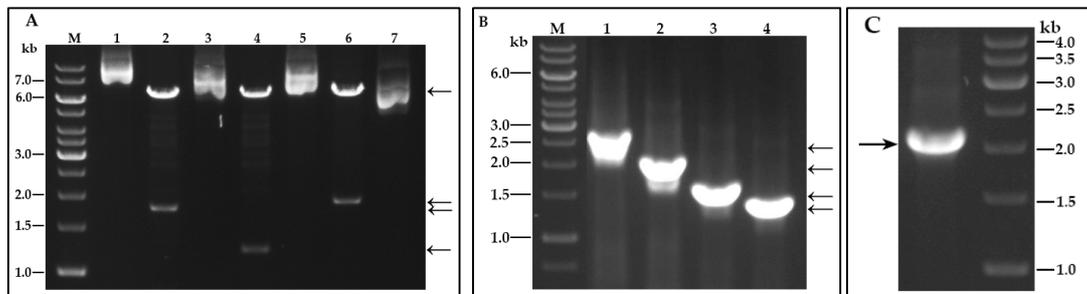
# Visualization of Germination Proteins in Putative *Bacillus cereus* Germinosomes

Table S1. Primers used in this study

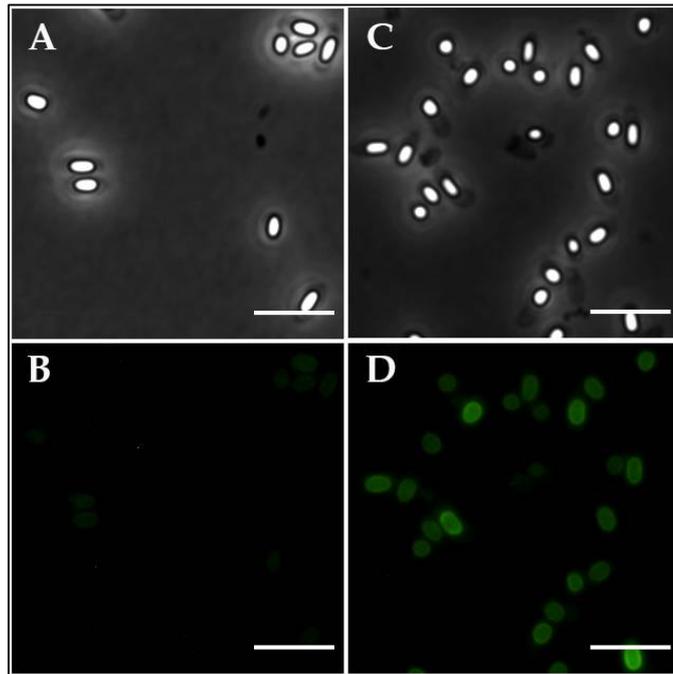
Primer names	Primers sequence (5'→3')	Restriction sites
P_RB-F	CCG <u>G</u> AATTCACCTTCCTATATCCGCT <sup>1</sup>	<i>EcoR</i> I
P_RB-R	CGG <u>G</u> ATCCTCTCACCCCTAACATATATC <sup>1</sup>	<i>Bam</i> H I
RB-F	CGG <u>G</u> ATCCTGAGGTGAAATGAGCAATGA <sup>1</sup>	<i>Bam</i> H I
RB-fuse-GFP-R	CTCGCCCTTGCTCACCATGCTGCCGCTGCCGCTGCCAG GTGTATCGGTTGAAGA <sup>2</sup>	
RB-fuse-GFP-F	TCTTCAACCGATACACCTGGCAGCGGCAGCGGCAGC ATGGTGAGCAAGGGCGAG <sup>2</sup>	
GFP-F	GCTCTAG <u>A</u> ATGGTGAGCAAGGGCGAG <sup>1</sup>	<i>Xba</i> I
GFP-R	CCCAAGCTTTTACTTGTACAGCTCGTCCAT <sup>1</sup>	<i>Hind</i> III
RA-F	CGG <u>G</u> ATCCATGTTCCGGTTTATCATCT	<i>Bam</i> H I
AC-fuse-B-R	CATTGCTCATTTCACCTCACTATTCCCCGATTCCAGATT	
AC-fuse-B-F	AATCTGGAATCGGGGAATAGTGAGGTGAAATGAGCAA TG	
P_D-F	GCTCTAG <u>A</u> ACAACCATAAAGAACAGAGC	<i>Xba</i> I
D-fuse-mSi-R	TTCTCCTTTACTCACCATGCTGCCGCTGCCGCTGCCCTG TTCTTCCTTCTTCTCG	
D-fuse-mSi-F	CGAGAAGAAGGAAGAACAGGGCAGCGGCAGCGGCAG CATGGTGAGTAAAGGAGAA	
mSi-R	CCG <u>G</u> AATTCCTATTTGTATAGTTCATCCAT	<i>EcoR</i> I
315-F	ATGTTGTGTGGAATTGTGAG	
315-R	AAGGCGATTAAGTTGGGT	

<sup>1</sup> The restriction sites are underlined.

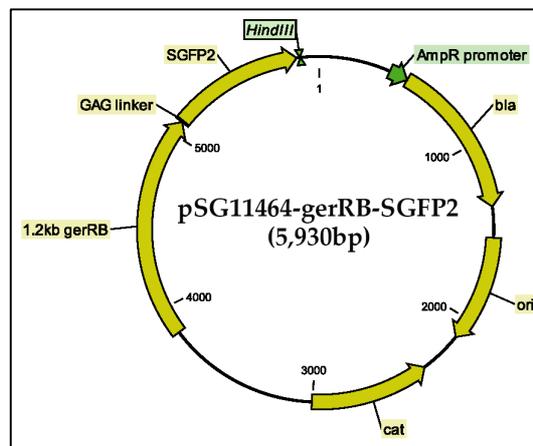
<sup>2</sup> The linker sequence are in bold.



**Figure S1.** Validation of recombinant plasmids and pHT315-derived *B. cereus* strains. (A) Validation of recombinant plasmids with digestion analysis. Lane M, GeneRuler 1 kb DNA ladder (ThermoFisher Scientific). Lane 1, intact plasmid pHT315-*PgerR-gerRB-SGFP2*; lane 2, the *gerRB-SGFP2* 1.7 kb band and the vector backbone of the 6.5 kb plasmid pHT315-*PgerR-gerRB-SGFP2* cut with *EcoR* I/*Hind* III; lane 3, intact plasmid pHT315-*PaphA3'-SGFP2*; lane 4, *PaphA3'-SGFP2* 1.2 kb band and the vector backbone of the 6.5 kb plasmid pHT315-*PaphA3'-SGFP2* cut with *EcoR* I/*Hind* III; lane 5, intact plasmid pHT315-*gerRB-SGFP2*; Lane 6, the *gerRB-SGFP2* of 1.8 kb band and the vector backbone of the 6.5 kb plasmid pHT315-*gerRB-SGFP2* cutting with *Bam*H I/*Hind* III; lane 7, intact plasmid pHT315. (B) Validation of pHT315-derived *B. cereus* strains. Lane 1, the expected 2.6 kb band was amplified from *B. cereus* carrying pHT315-*PgerR-gerRB-SGFP2* strain; lane 2, the expected 2.0 kb band was amplified from *B. cereus* carrying pHT315-*gerRB-SGFP2* strain; lane 3, the expected 1.4 kb band was amplified from *B. cereus* carrying pHT315-*PgerR-SGFP2* strain; lane 4, the expected 1.3 kb band was amplified from *B. cereus* carrying pHT315-*PaphA3'-SGFP2* strain. (C) expected 2.0 kb band in the left lane was amplified from *B. cereus* strain 007. The black arrows indicate the expected bands.



**Figure S2.** Confirmation of *PgerR* function by examining expression of protein SGFP2 in *B. cereus* dormant spores. Phase-contrast (A, C) and fluorescence microscopy images (B, D) of *B. cereus* dormant spores: (A, B) wild-type spores; (C, D) spores carrying pHT315-*PgerR*-SGFP2. All panels are at the same magnification, and the scale bar is 5  $\mu\text{m}$ .



**Figure S3.** Schematic diagram of integration plasmid pSG1164-*gerRB*-SGFP2. The fusion gene *gerRB*-SGFP2 was used to attempt a single crossover integration of the plasmid into the wild-type *gerR* locus in the *B. cereus* chromosome, although this was not successful.