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**Construction of a plasmid addiction system using
grpE as selection marker in *Escherichia coli* and
application in phloroglucinol biosynthesis**

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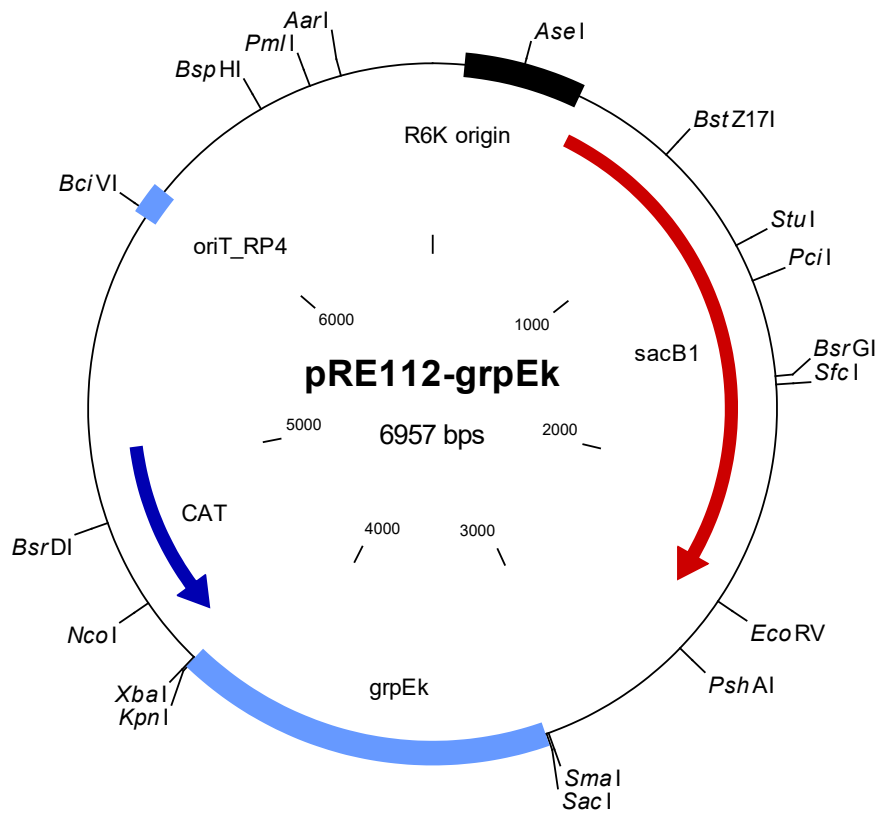
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Supplemental Table S1 Primers used in this study *

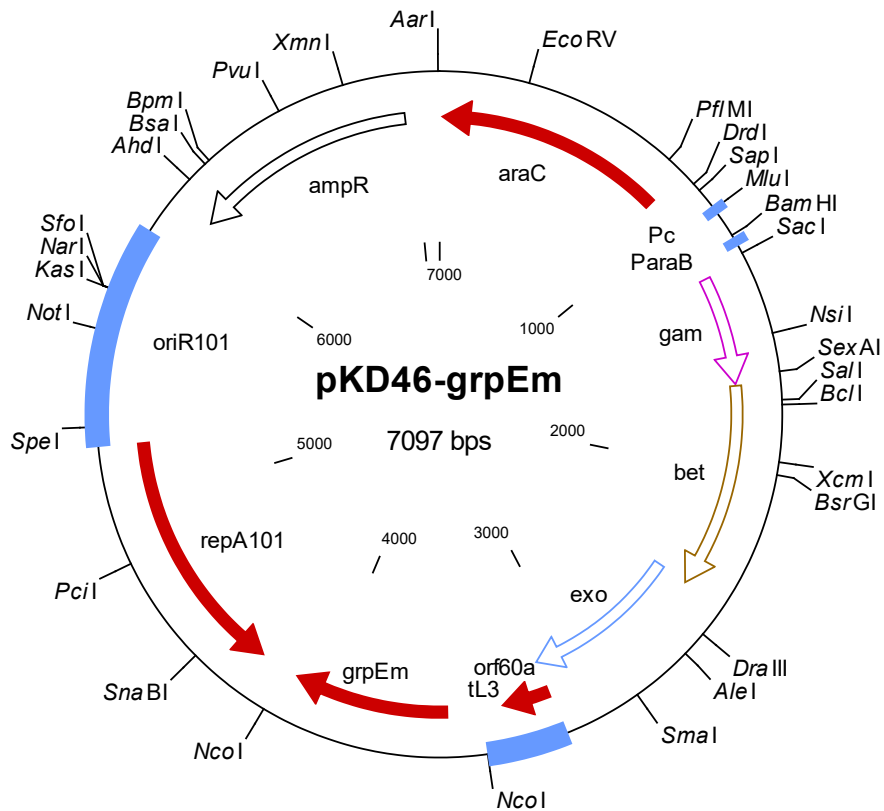
Primers	Sequences (5'→3')
grpE _k -F	<u>GGTACCTCATATGCGCCACTTTGCCTGGATG</u> (<i>KpnI</i>)
grpE _k -RV0	CGAAAGCAGAAATTACTACATGAATTTCTCCGCGTTT
grpE _k -F0	TCATGTAGTAATTTCTGCTTTCGTAATAATTCAC
greE _k -RV	<u>GAGCTCGCCATCAGTATGCTGCGAGTACGTG</u> (<i>SacI</i>)
pmf-F	<u>GCGGCCGCTCGATCTCGATCCCGCGAAATTAAT</u> (<i>NotI</i>)
pmf-RV	<u>CTTAAGCTAGCTGTTGTAATGATTTAATGGAT</u> (<i>AflIII</i>)
grpE _e -F	<u>TTAATTAAATAATAAGCGAAGTTAGCGAGATG</u> (<i>PacI</i>)
grpE _e -RV	<u>CTCGAGAACGGCCCGGCATTCGCATGCAGGG</u> (<i>XhoI</i>)
gck-F	CAGATCGCTGAGAAAACGCAAAGAT
gck-RV	CACTCACCTCACGGGCGCATCGT
birA-F	<u>AGGCCTAAAGGAGATATACAATGAAGGATAACACCGTGCCA</u> CTG (<i>StuI</i>)
birA-RV	<u>GCGGCCGCTTATTTTCTGCACTACGCAGGGATATTTC</u> (<i>NotI</i>)

* The underlined bases encode restriction endonucleases indicated in the brackets at the ends of each primer. The primers gck-F/gck-RV were located 50 bps upstream or downstream of grpE_k-F/grpE_k-RV, respectively (Fig. 1a).

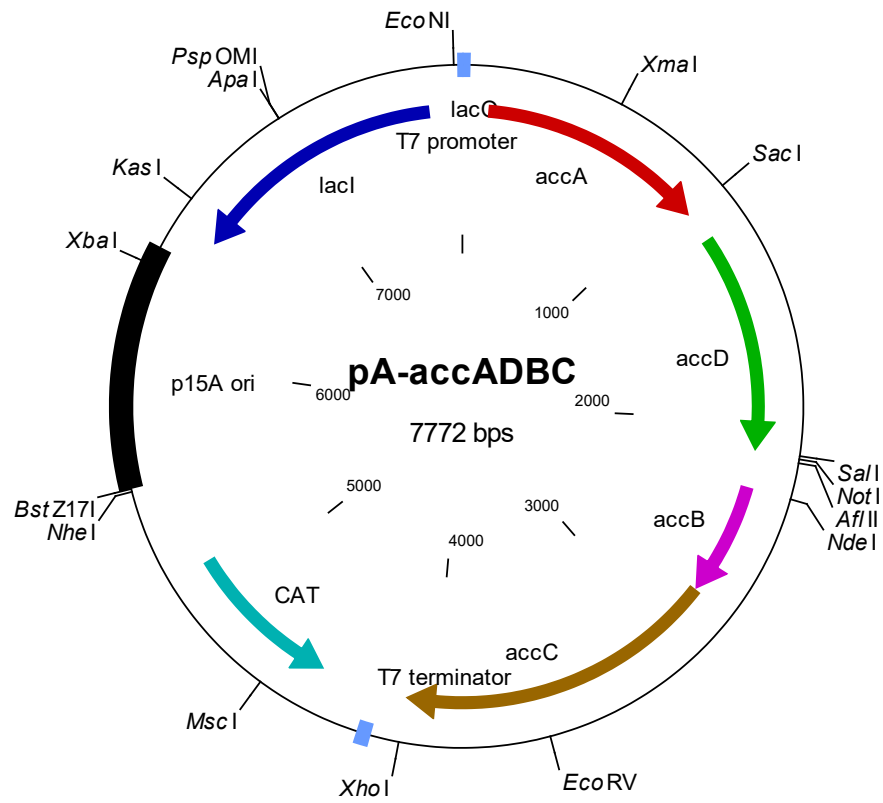
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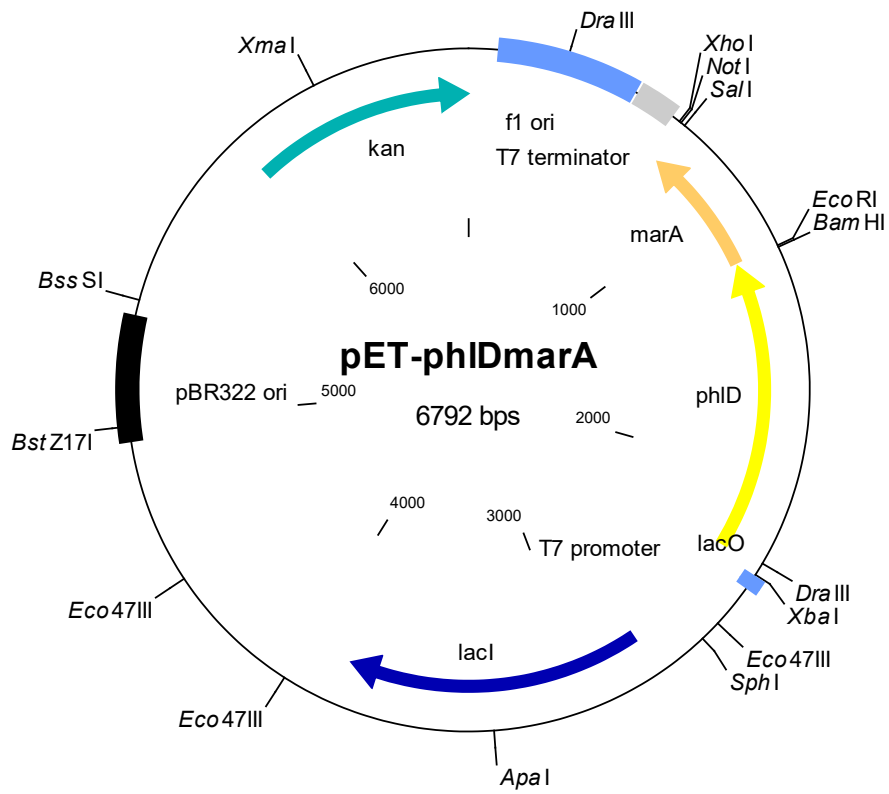
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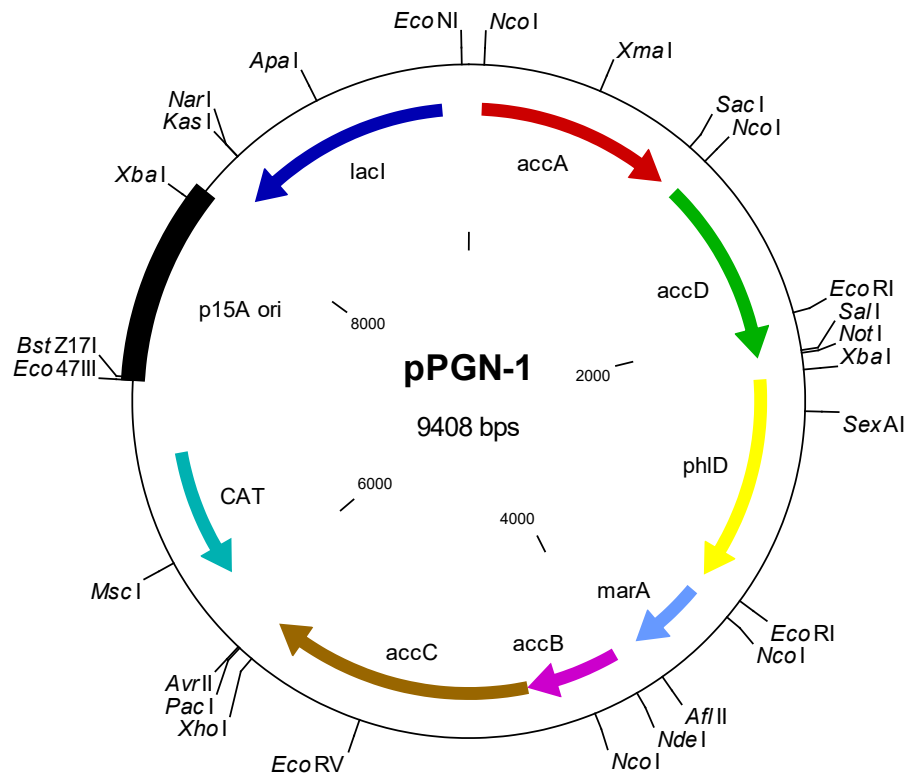
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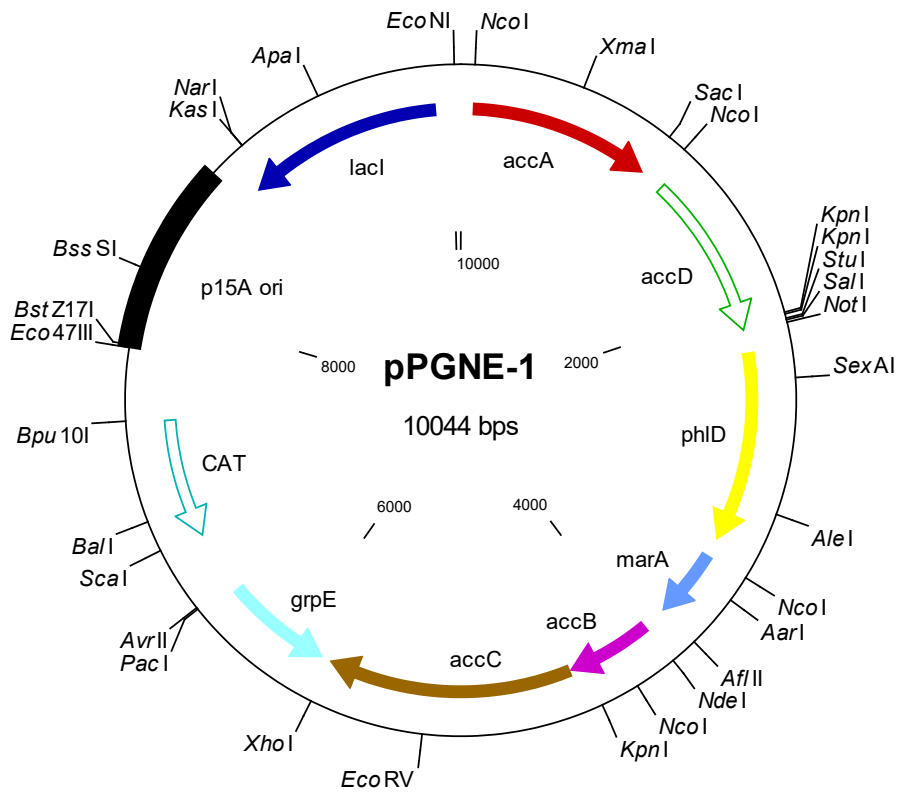
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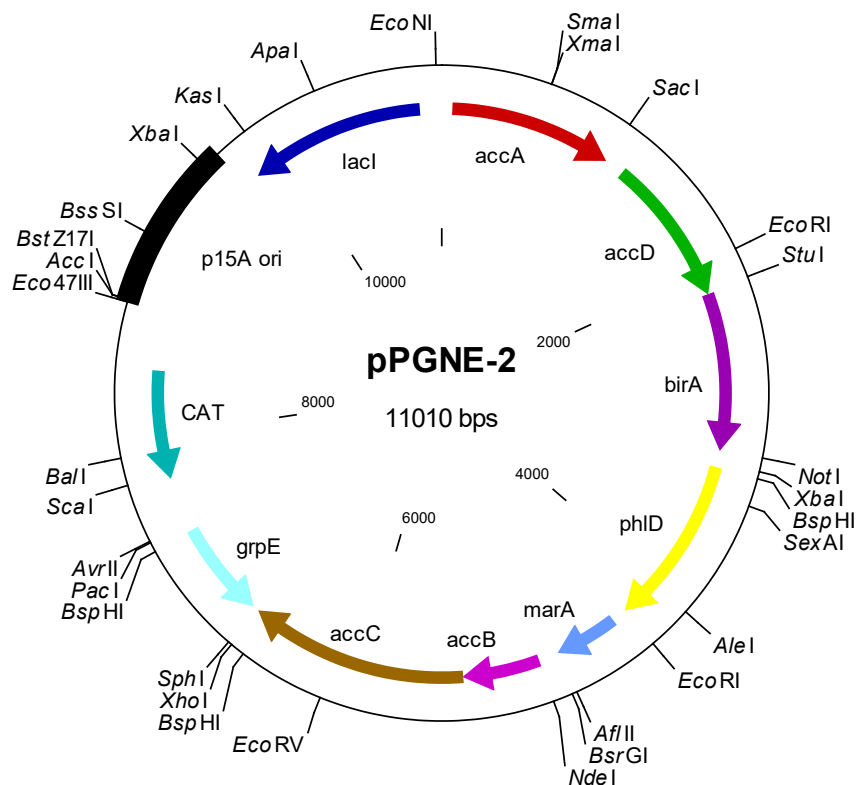
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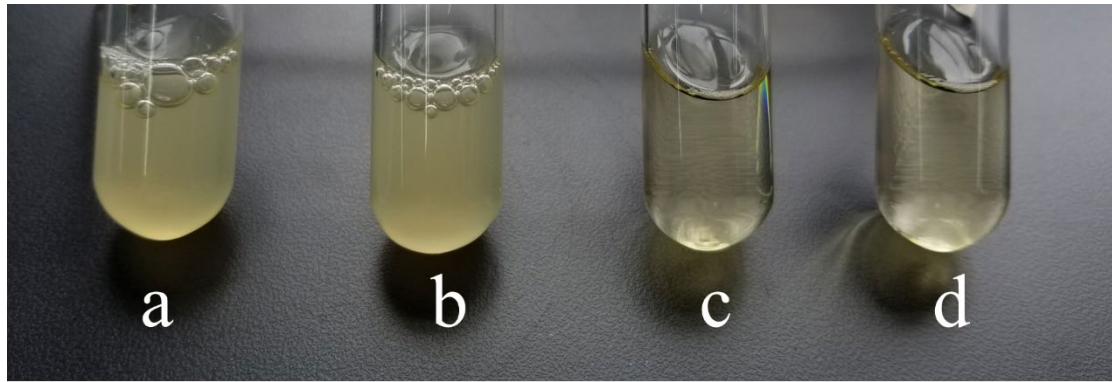
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Supplemental Fig. S1 Schematic representation of plasmids used in this study. (a) pRE112-*grpE_k*, plasmid carrying the *grpE_k* disruption cassette, generated from the suicide plasmid pRE112. (b) pKD46-*grpE_m*, a disruption helper plasmid carrying the artificially muted *grpE* expression cassette, generated from pKD46, carrying the artificially mutated *grpE* expression cassette. (c) and (d) PG producing plasmids constructed in the previous work (Appl Microbiol Biotechnol 2011, 91(6), 1545-52). (e) PG producing plasmid propagated in *E. coli* BL21(DE3). (f) PG producing plasmid with *grpE* expression cassette inserted into pPGN-1. (g) PG producing plasmid with *birA* inserted into pPGNE-1.



Supplemental Fig. S2 Confirmation of pKD46-grpEm curing in *E. coli* PGNE-1 and PGNE-2 after being grown at 42°C. The strains could propagate in LB supplemented with Cm (a, PGNE-1; b, PGNE-2) but not with Amp (c, PGNE-1; d, PGNE-2), suggesting that pKD46-grpE_m, which confers Amp resistance to the host, has been successfully eliminated.

Supplemental Sequence S1

>grpE_m

CCATGGCTTTTGGCGAAAATGAGACGTTGATCGGCACGTAAGAGGTTCCA*ACTT*
TCACCATAATGAAATAAGATCACTACCGGGCGTATTTTTTGAGTTATCGAGATTTT
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The underlined bases encoded *Nco*I. The italic bases encode the promoter of chloramphenicol acetyltransferase. The bold bases encode the terminator of *rnpB*.