

Supplement

Table S1. Sediment- and plastic-associated microbiome enrichments in M9 minimal medium supplemented with a range of hydrophobic substrates. Numbers indicate weeks until visible change in turbidity was observed.

Substrate	Marine sediment sample (18 PSU)	Marine plastic particles (30 PSU)
Beeswax	1	1
Paraffin wax	4	1
Paraffin oil	3	1
Octadecane	17	3
Squalane	9	—
Low-Density Polyethylene (LDPE)	—	—
PET (Powder)	—	—
BHET	—	—

Table S2. Nucleotide and amino acid sequences of the four candidate enzymes

Name	Size	Sequence
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expression in E.coli
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DBEOMKNH_03626)

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<p>ABHETase 2 codon optimized for expression in E.coli (JHONJODE_01413)</p>	<p>1461 bp</p>	<p>CATATGGTCATCGTGGGCGCAGGTTTCGCCGGTCTGGGCATG GCGATCCGGCTTCGTCAGGCGGGCGTGGATGATTCCTGCTG TTGGAGCGTGCCGACAAGGTGGGCGGCACCTGGCGTGACAA CACCTATCCGGGCGCCGCCTGCGATATTCCTTCTCACTTGTAT TCCTATTCCTTCGCGCCGAATCCGCATTGGTCCCGGCACTTTT CCGGCAGTGACGAGATCCTGGGTTACATCGAGCACCTGGTGA AACAGTACGGTTTGCCTGACAAGATTCCTCCAGCAGGACGT CACCGATGCGCGCTTCGATGAAACGAAAGGCCAATGGCGTGT GGATACCCGCCAGGGCGATGTCTGGCAGGGGCGGGCGGTG GTCATGGCCCAGGGGCGCTTTCCAATGCCAGCTTTCCGGAC ATCGAGGGCCTGACAGACTTTAAAGGCAAGCGCATCCATAGT GCCCCGCTGGAATCACGATTACGATTTCTCCGGCAAGCGGGTG GCGGTGATTGGCACCGGTGCCAGCGCCGTGCAGATCATTCC GGAATTGGCGAAAACCGCCGGTACCCTGAAAGTGTTCAGCG CACCCCGGCCTGGGTGATTCCACGCCCGGATTACGCCACTCC GGACTGGAACAAAGCGCTGTTTCGAGAAGCTGCCACTGACCCG TAAGGCCATGCGCCAGGCGCTGTACTGGACGCATGAAACCAT GGCGCTGGCGGTGATCTGGAATTCGCCGCTGACGCGCCTGG CGGAGCGGCTCAGCCTGATGCACCTGCGTAGCCAGGTGAAG GACGACTGGATGCGCCGGCAATTGACGCCGGATTTCCGCATC GGTTGTA AACGGGTTTTGCTCTCCAACGATTACTATCCGGCCC TGCAACGGGACAACGTGGACCTGATCACCTGGCCCATTGCCC GCATCGCCGAGAACGGTGTCCGCACCTGTGACGGCATCGAAC ACCAATTCGATTGCATCGTCTTCGCCACCGGCTTTGATGTGCC CAAGAGCGGCACGCCGTTCCCGATCCGTGGTCTCAATGGCCG TGAGCTGGGAGAGGAGTGGTCCGGCGGCGCGGGCCTACA AGAGCGTCAGCGTGGCAGGCTATCCGAACCTGTTCTTTACCTT CGGGCCCAACTCCGGTCCCTGGTCATAATTCGGCGCTGGTTTA TATGGAAGCGCAACTGGACTATGCGGTGGAGGGCATTGCCCC CATTCTCGATCATGACCTGAAGATCCTGGACGTGCGCGAGAG TGTGCAGCAGCGTCATAATCGCCATTTGCAAAAAGCGGCTGGC CAGGACCAACTGGAACCTCCGGGTGAAAAGCTGGTATCTGAC GGAGGATGGCTATAACGCCACCATGTACCCGGGCTTCGCCAG CCAGTACCGCCGTGAGATGTCCCGGTTCTGGATCAGCACTA TCGGCGGGTGCCGCAAACCGGGAGCGCGCTCGAG</p>
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ABHETase 3 (JHONJODE_00892) 1998 bp

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ABHETase 3 (JHONJODE_00892)

666 AA

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<p>ABHETase 3 codon optimized for expression in E.coli (JHONJODE_00892)</p>	641 AA	<p>HMCSSSSSDSDREPLSGLFGALPISGVSYRQGDAPWRTT GELGQFHYTGDETLTFALGDLTLGSTSGAKALTVANLSPAATPAETPA MINTLVLLQTLADGSLHNGIQITPRIRERVSEQAASLTLDQPTPD FNAALQSVVDDLESAGAFSDTDSRARRLTTPDDAEENFQRAVSP RRLVETNGGQLSGFQADEHTWQFLGIPYAKPPLGELRWRPPVD PEPWSGIRHAVAWSQAAQNTALERFEGGMSSEDSLYLNVTPA KNADGLPVMVWFHGGGFTALTSNTKPFNNPQAVASKGVVQVSV NHRLGPFYIAHPELSAESGYNGSGNYQMDLIAALEWVRDNIE AFGGDPGNVTIFGESGGGRKVLSLMASPRAAGLFHRAISQSGTL YPDTRTLAAAEAVGSQLQTELDASSLAEMRQKSWQEVAATAATL APYTNIDNHLYPYAERVAFESGNQNDVPMFMSINANDTPDPTNTA IEVFPWMAPLCSANHYATYFTHQPAGWKARGVEAYHAAELAYLF NMPESVITHYLLGLVIDPATGDSLVIDDLNNGVSGSQGDPADILA SAGFDQTDQAVIDRMLTIWTNFAKTGDPSIEGDIDYPLYDAASES YVEIGANSEAKTGLGSVLSGLE</p>
<p>PBHETase 1 (P_005068)</p>	1044 bp	<p>ATGACCATTGCACGCTGCGTGTGGCGCTGGTCTTGCTCGGC GGCCTGTTGGTCCGCGCCGAGGCCGCGCCGTGGGTTGCCGG CCTGCACCTTATGACCTTGACCGACCCGTCGATAGCCGCC AATGCAAGCGCTTGCCTTCTACCCGGCCATTGGCAAGACCCG TCGCAGCCGAATAGACGGGTATCCCGTCGATGTGGCCGAAGA GGCGCCCGTCGCCATGGGCCGATTCCCGTTGCTGGTGCTGT CTCACGGCAATACGGGCAGCCATTGGCCTTGATTACCTGG CCACGTCGCTGGCGCGCAAGGGTTCGTGGTGGTGGCGGTT GTGCACCCGGGGGACAACGTGCGCGACCACAGTCGCTTGG CACCTGAGCAACCTTTATGGACGGCCGCTACAACCTCAGCGC GGCGATCACCGCAGCGCGCGCTGATAGGGTGGTCCGGCCTT ATCTGAACGAAGGCAAGGTGGGGTTATCGGCTACTCGGCCG GCGGAGAAACCGCGTTGATCCTGTCTGGTGCACGCCCCGATC TGGACCGTCTGCGTCACTGCTGCTGGAGCGCCCGAAGGAC GCAGACGCCTGCAAAACCCACGGCATACTGATTGCCGACCGC AGCGAACTGGCGCCTGAGACCGACCCGCGAGTGGGGGCGGT CATGTTGATGGCGCCGCTGAGCCTGTTGTTCCGGGCGCCATGC CTTGGCCGGGTACAGGTACCCGTGCTGATCTACAGTGGCGA CAGCGATCAGCTTGTGGCTGTGGACCGTAATGCCGAGGCCCT GGCCCGCAAACCTGCCGTCACACCGGACTACCGCCTGTTGG CCGGTGCCGGGCACTTCGTATTCATGGCCCGTTGCGATGCCG AGCAGTACGCGCGGATGGCAGCGCTGTGCAAGGATGCCGAT GGCGTCGACCGCCGGCATATCCATCGCTCGCTGCAGCGAGA AACGGCGGCGTTCTTCAGCCAGGCGCTGGGTGCGCCAGCGC CGGCTGAGCGTTCAGCTGCGACGGGCGCGCCGCGCCAGCAA CAACGT</p>
<p>PBHETase 1 codon optimized for expression in E.coli (P_005068)</p>	990 bp	<p>CATATGGCGCCGTGGGTTGCCGGCCTGCACCTTATGACCTTG ACCGACCCGGTCGATAGCCGCCAATGCAAGCGCTTGGCTTC TACCCGGCCATTGGCAAGACCCGTCGAGCCGAATAGACGG GTATCCCGTCGATGTGGCCGAAGAGGCGCCGTCGCCATGG GCCGATTCCCGTTGCTGGTGTCTCACGGCAATACGGGCA GCCATTGGCCTTGCACTTACCTGGCCACGTGCTGGCGCGGC</p>

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<i>PBHETase 1 (P_005068)</i>	348 AA	MTIARCVLALVLLGLLVRAEAPWVAGLHMLTLDPVDSRPMQ ALAFYPAIGKTRRSRIDGYPVDVAEEAPVAMGRFLLVLSHGNTG SPLALHYLATSRLARQGFVVAVVHPGDNRDHSRLGTLNLYGR PLQLSAAITAARADRVVGPYLNEGKVGIGYSAGGETALILSGAR PDLRLRQYCLERPKDADACKTHGILIADRSELAPETDPRVGAVM LMAPLSLLFGRHALAGVQVPVLIYSGDSDLVAVDRNAEALARKL PVTPDYRLLAGAGHFVFMARCDAEQYARMAALCKDADGVDRRH IHRSLQRETAFFSQALGAPAPAERSAATGAPRQQQR
<i>PBHETase 1 codon optimized for expression in E.coli (P_005068)</i>	330 AA	HMAPWVAGLHMLTLDPVDSRPMQALAFYPAIGKTRRSRIDGYP VDVAEEAPVAMGRFLLVLSHGNTGSPLALHYLATSRLARQGFVV VAVVHPGDNRDHSRLGTLNLYGRPLQLSAAITAARADRVVGP YLNEGKVGIGYSAGGETALILSGARPDLRLRQYCLERPKDADA CKTHGILIADRSELAPETDPRVGAVMLMAPLSLLFGRHALAGVQV PVLIYSGDSDLVAVDRNAEALARKLPVTPDYRLLAGAGHFVMA RCDAEQYARMAALCKDADGVDRRHHRSLQRETAFFSQALGA PAPAERSAATGAPRQQQRLE

Table S3: Confocal laser scanning microscope (CLSM) settings for LIVE/DEAD staining with propidium iodide and SYTO™ 9. The table includes laser wavelengths, detector ranges, and other microscope parameters used for the detection of live and dead cells.

Parameter	Value	
	Propidium iodide	SYTO™ 9
Gamma value	1.0	1.0
Pinhole [μm]	46	46
Detector digital	1.0	1.0
Laser intensity [%]	0.2	0.2
Laser λ [nm]	561	488
Detector λ [nm]	560-700	410-560
Detector gain [V]	663	685

Table S4. Primers used in this study for enzyme target amplification and /or SDM (site directed mutagenesis).

Plasmid/ Protein	Purpose	Forward	Reverse
pRS1993/ ABHETase2/ JHONJODE_01413	Amplification from gDNA SDM	5'-GCGCATATGGCGAATGAA CAGACC-3'	5'-GCGCTCGAGTTTTGCAGTCTC C-3'
pRS2108/ ABHETase1/ JHONJODE_02731	Amplification from gDNA SDM	- 5'-TGTGGCAGTGACAGCAGC -3'	- 5'-CATATGTATATCTCCTTCTTAAA GTAAAC-3'
pRS2109/ ABHETase3/ JHONJODE_00892	Amplification from gDNA SDM	5'-GCGCATATGCTCAAGCAG GTCCC-3' 5'-TGCGGTGGCTCATCGTC- 3'	5'-CGCTCGAGGTCACTCAGCACA CTGC-3' 5'-CATATGTATATCTCCTTCTTAAA GTAAAC-3'
pRS2110/ PBHETase1/ _005068	Amplification from gDNA SDM	5'-CTAGCATATGACCATTGCA CGCTGCC-3' 5'-GCGCCGTGGGTTGCCG-3'	5'-GTCCTCGAGACGTTGTTGCT GGCGC-3' 5'-CATATGTATATCTCCTTCTTAAA GTAAAC-3'

Table S5. Strains and plasmids used in this study.

Strain/Plasmid	Genotype/Relevant Characteristics	Source/Reference
<i>E. coli</i> DH5α	General cloning strain	(Miller and Mekalanos 1988)
<i>E. coli</i> BL21 (DE3)/pRIL	General expression strain	Stratagene, La Jolla, USA
pET21a(+)	General expression vector	Novagen, Darmstadt, Germany
pRS1993	pET21a(+)_ABHETase2	This study
pRS2108	pET21a(+)_ABHETase1	This study
pRS2109	pET21a(+)_ABHETase3	This study
pRS2110	pET21a(+)_PBHETase1	This study

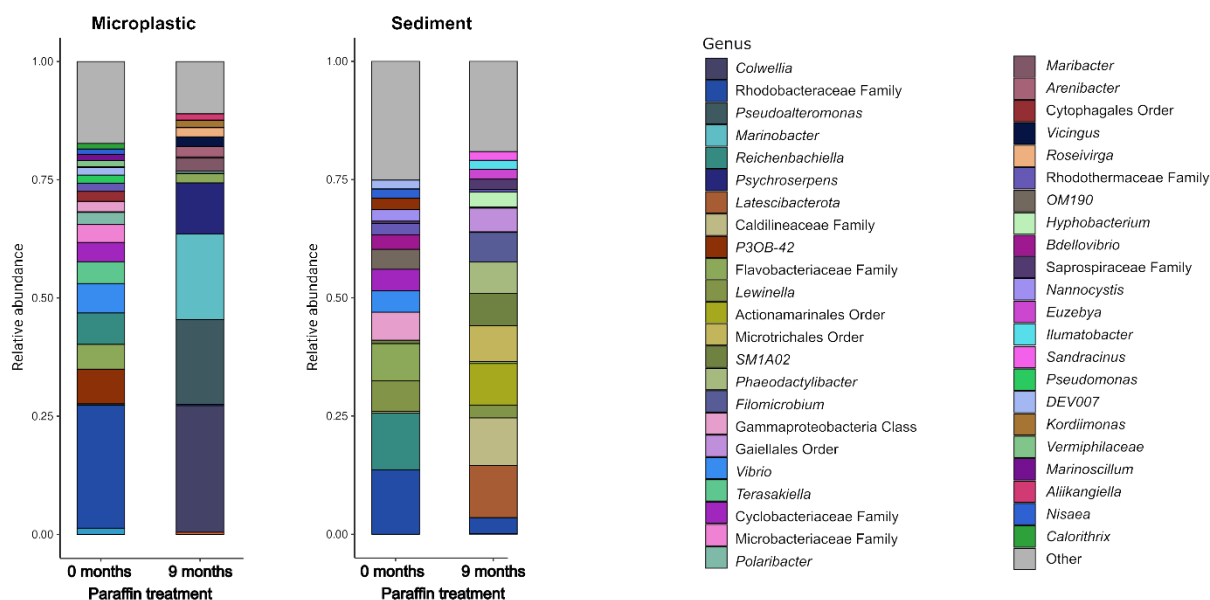


Figure S1. Abundant bacterial genera in marine samples before and after enrichment. ASV abundance is based on the V1-V2 region of the 16S rRNA gene, comparing bacterial communities deriving from microplastic samples or from oil contaminated sediment before and after enrichment with paraffin. Relative abundances of the thirty most abundant genera originating from each sample type were plotted as stacked bar charts. Genera lacking taxonomic assignment are presented at the lowest possible taxonomic rank.

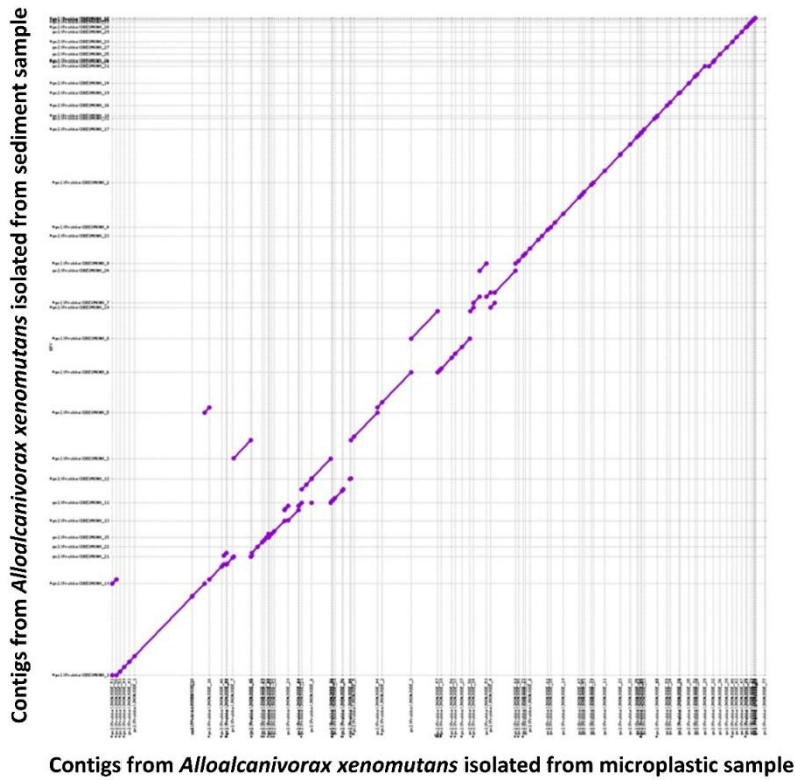


Figure S2. Comparative genomic analysis of *A. xenomutans* isolates. Pangenomic analysis comparing the two *Alloalcanivorax* isolates from this study with 19 reference genomes from the *Alcanivorax*, *Alloalcanivorax*, and *Isoalcanivorax* genera. The analysis highlights the core and accessory genome components, illustrating the genetic relationships and distinctions among these species. Distinct clusters corresponding to each genus show the genetic diversity within and between these groups.

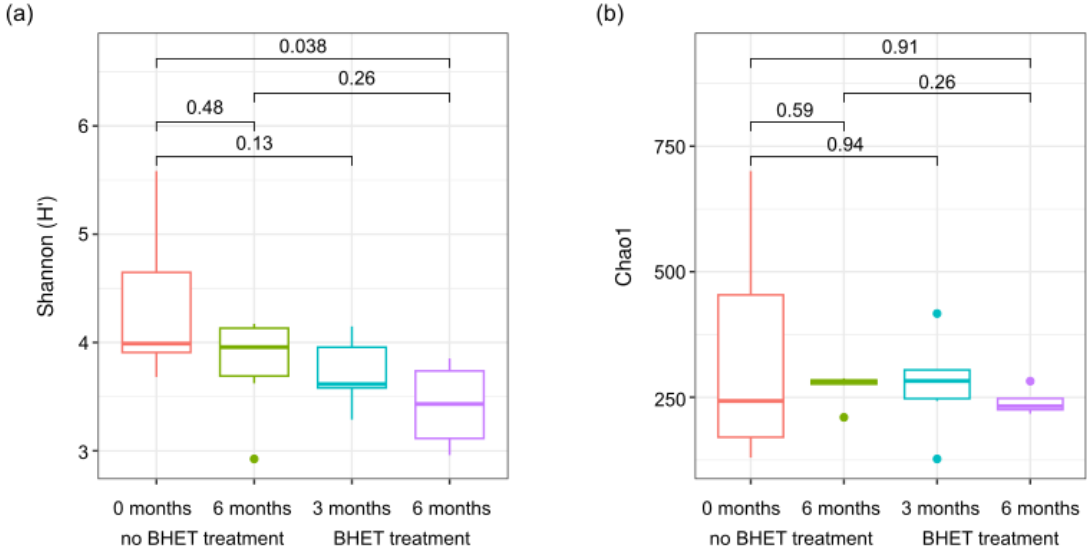


Figure S3. Diversity analysis of *A. aurita* polyp microbiota during BHET treatment. Polyps were treated with 0.1 % BHET for six months, and their microbiota were sampled after three (blue) and six months (purple) for 16S rRNA gene amplicon sequencing. (a) Shannon diversity (H') and (b) Chao1 richness indices were calculated using the vegan package (Oksanen *et al.* 2022) within the ampvis2 package (Andersen *et al.* 2018). Statistical significance of differences in diversity was assessed using the Kruskal-Wallis test and pairwise Wilcoxon test, implemented in the ggpubr package (Kassambara 2023). Two untreated controls were implemented both after zero (orange) and after six months (green).

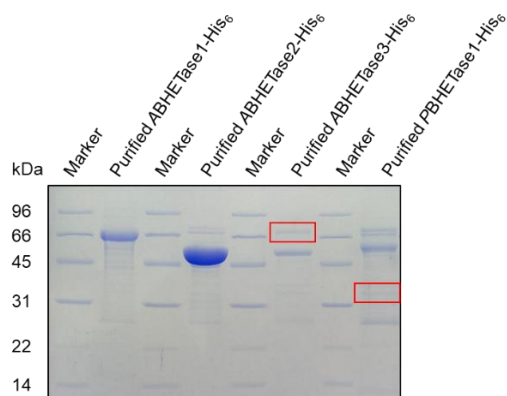


Figure S4. Purification of BHETases. Coomassie-stained SDS-PAGE analysis of heterologously expressed and purified His-tagged BHETases. Proteins were overexpressed in *E. coli* BL21 (DE3)-Codonplus-RIL, induced with 100 μ M IPTG in LB medium, and purified using Ni-NTA chromatography. ABHETase3-His₆ and PBHETase1-His₆ are only partially purified, the box indicates the the respective protein. Marker, low molecular weight, from the Amersham LMW Calibration Kit for SDS Electrophoresis

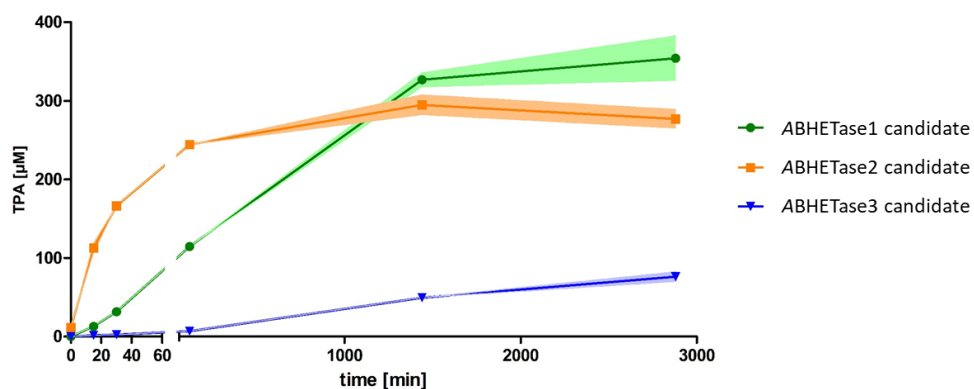


Figure S5. ABHETase2 degrades BHET more effectively than ABHETase1 and ABHETase3. BHET degradation was measured at 30°C for ABHETase1 and 40°C for ABHETase2-3. Enzyme amounts used were 0.1 μ g for ABHETase1, 0.25 μ g for ABHETase2, and 0.03 μ g for ABHETase3. TPA release was analyzed by reverse-phase UHPLC as described in Materials and Methods. TPA release due to autohydrolysis at each temperature was subtracted at each time point. Shaded areas indicate standard deviation from three technical replicates.