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Clustering of a Polymorphic Membrane Protein E Clade in *Chlamydia trachomatis* Lineages from Men who have Sex with Men

Appendix 2

Appendix 2 Table 1. Summary of the *ompA* genotypes detected according to the study population and anatomic site*

| Category | Genotype | | | | | | | | | |
|------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| | G | D | J | F | E | K | B | H | I | Total |
| MSM | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rectal | 95 (46.1%) | 49 (23.8%) | 52 (25.2%) | 0 (0%) | 5 (2.4%) | 1 (0.5%) | 4 (1.9%) | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) | 206 (100%) |
| Pharyngeal | 12 (44%) | 6 (22%) | 7 (26%) | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) | 1 (4%) | 1 (4%) | 0 (0%) | 27 (100%) |
| Urogenital | 6 (50%) | 3 (25%) | 1 (8%) | 0 (0%) | 1 (8%) | 0 (0%) | 1 (8%) | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) | 12 (100%) |
| Total | 113 (46.1%) | 58 (23.7%) | 60 (24.5%) | 0 (0.0%) | 6 (2.4%) | 1 (0.4%) | 6 (2.4%) | 1 (0.4%) | 0 (0.0%) | 245 (100%) |
| Non-MSM | | | | | | | | | | |
| Urogenital | 3 (9%) | 11 (31%) | 3 (9%) | 6 (17%) | 7 (20%) | 4 (20%) | 0 (0%) | 1 (3%) | 0 (0%) | 35 (100%) |
| Cervix | 1 (6%) | 3 (17%) | 3 (17%) | 1 (6%) | 5 (28%) | 3 (17%) | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) | 2 (11%) | 18 (100%) |
| Total | 4 (7.5%) | 14 (26%) | 6 (11%) | 7 (13%) | 12 (23%) | 7 (13%) | 0 (0%) | 1 (2%) | 2 (4%) | 53 (100%) |

*The proportions of each genotype in the collection source are shown in parentheses. The numbers for genotypes G, D, and J are indicated in bold.

Appendix 2 Table 2. STs detected in this study and major STs detected in previous studies*

| MSM/Non-MSM | ST | n | <i>ompA</i> (n) | PmpE | Comments and findings in previous studies† |
|-------------|-------|----|-----------------------|------|--|
| MSM | ST108 | 55 | J (35), G (19), D (1) | p1 | Major MSM ST (1–4) |
| | ST33 | 42 | G (42) | p1 | Major MSM ST (1,2,4) |
| | ST109 | 28 | D (28) | p1 | Major MSM ST (1–4) |
| | ST194 | 16 | D (16) | p1 | SLV of MSM ST109 and ST571 |
| | ST52 | 14 | G (14) | p1 | Major MSM ST (1–4) |
| | ST112 | 13 | J (13) | p1 | SLV of MSM ST108 |
| | ST139 | 13 | G (12), J (1) | p1 | SLV of MSM ST108 |
| | ST150 | 12 | G (12) | p1 | SLV of MSM ST33 and ST108 |
| | ST346 | 7 | G (7) | p1 | SLV of MSM ST33 and ST108 |
| | ST210 | 4 | B (4) | p1 | |
| | ST603 | 3 | J (3) | p1 | SLV of MSM ST108 |
| | ST54 | 2 | G (2) | p1 | SLV of MSM ST52 |
| | ST83 | 2 | B (2) | p1 | |
| | ST121 | 2 | D (2) | p1 | SLV of MSM ST109 |
| | ST132 | 2 | J (2) | p1 | SLV of MSM ST108 |
| | ST318 | 2 | D (2) | p1 | SLV of MSM ST109 |
| | ST3 | 1 | E (1) | p2 | |
| | ST131 | 1 | D (1) | p1 | SLV of MSM ST109 |
| | ST145 | 1 | E (1) | p2 | |
| | ST149 | 1 | D (1) | p1 | SLV of MSM ST109 |
| | ST151 | 1 | D (1) | p1 | SLV of MSM ST109 |
| | ST162 | 1 | J (1) | p1 | |
| | ST170 | 1 | D (1) | p1 | SLV of MSM ST109 |
| | ST185 | 1 | D (1) | p1 | |
| | ST192 | 1 | G (1) | p1 | |
| | ST196 | 1 | G (1) | p1 | SLV of MSM ST33 |
| | ST199 | 1 | J (1) | p1 | SLV of MSM ST108 |
| | ST237 | 1 | E (1) | p2 | |
| | ST305 | 1 | E (1) | p1 | |
| | ST354 | 1 | J (1) | p1 | SLV of MSM ST33 and ST108 |
| | ST391 | 1 | D (1) | p1 | |
| | ST403 | 1 | D (1) | p1 | |

| MSM/Non-MSM | ST | n | <i>ompA</i> (n) | PmpE | Comments and findings in previous studies† |
|-------------|-------|---|-----------------|------|--|
| | ST435 | 1 | G (1) | p2 | |
| | ST442 | 1 | H (1) | p2 | |
| | ST553 | 1 | E (1) | p1 | |
| | ST559 | 1 | J (1) | p1 | |
| | ST601 | 1 | E (1) | p1 | |
| | ST602 | 1 | G (1) | p1 | |
| | ST604 | 1 | D (1) | p1 | |
| | ST605 | 1 | J (1) | p2 | |
| | ST606 | 1 | G (1) | p1 | SLV of ST33, ST58, and ST108 |
| | ST608 | 1 | J (1) | p2 | |
| | ST626 | 1 | K (1) | p1 | |
| | ST628 | 1 | D (1) | p1 | |
| Non-MSM | ST208 | 6 | D (5), I (1) | p2 | |
| | ST609 | 5 | K (5) | p2 | |
| | ST264 | 4 | J (4) | p2 | |
| | ST3 | 3 | E (3) | p2 | |
| | ST110 | 2 | F (2) | p2 | |
| | ST620 | 2 | E (2) | p2 | |
| | ST27 | 1 | G (1) | p2 | |
| | ST30 | 1 | K (1) | p2 | |
| | ST35 | 1 | D (1) | p2 | |
| | ST100 | 1 | I (1) | p2 | |
| | ST148 | 1 | F (1) | p2 | |
| | ST166 | 1 | E (1) | p2 | |
| | ST172 | 1 | E (1) | p2 | |
| | ST281 | 1 | D (1) | p2 | |
| | ST381 | 1 | D (1) | p2 | |
| | ST426 | 1 | E (1) | p2 | |
| | ST435 | 1 | G (1) | p2 | |
| | ST444 | 1 | H (1) | p2 | |
| | ST499 | 1 | D (1) | p2 | |
| | ST592 | 1 | E (1) | p2 | |
| | ST607 | 1 | K (1) | p2 | |
| | ST608 | 1 | J (1) | p2 | |

| MSM/Non-MSM | ST | n | <i>ompA</i> (n) | PmpE | Comments and findings in previous studies† |
|-------------|-------|---|-----------------|------|--|
| | ST610 | 1 | G (1) | p2 | |
| | ST611 | 1 | E (1) | p2 | |
| | ST612 | 1 | F (1) | p2 | |
| | ST613 | 1 | F (1) | p2 | |
| | ST614 | 1 | D (1) | p2 | |
| | ST615 | 1 | D (1) | p2 | |
| | ST616 | 1 | E (1) | p2 | |
| | ST617 | 1 | F (1) | p2 | |
| | ST618 | 1 | G (1) | p2 | |
| | ST619 | 1 | J (1) | p2 | |
| | ST621 | 1 | D (1) | p2 | |
| | ST622 | 1 | D (1) | p2 | |
| | ST623 | 1 | E (1) | p2 | |
| | ST624 | 1 | F (1) | p2 | |
| | ST625 | 1 | D (1) | p2 | |
| References‡ | | | | | |
| MSM | ST33 | | | | Major MSM ST (1,2,4) |
| | ST52 | | | | Major MSM ST (1–4) |
| | ST58 | | | | Major MSM ST (2,3,4) |
| | ST108 | | | | Major MSM ST (1–4) |
| | ST109 | | | | Major MSM ST (1–4) |
| | ST571 | | | | Major MSM ST (1) |

*MSM, men who have sex with men; PmpE, polymorphic membrane protein E; SLV, single-locus variant; ST, sequence type.

†Major STs in References 1–4 and SLVs are shown.

‡References 1 and 3 declared major STs in their text, whereas the top 5 STs in References 2 and 4 were picked up as their major STs for MSM.

Appendix 2 Figure (following pages). Sequence alignments of PmpE. The numbers at the right ends indicate the amino acid number of *Chlamydia trachomatis* D/UW-3/CX PmpE (AE001273). Variable regions (VRs) 1 to 5 as described previously (5) are shown.

D/UW-3/CX DPTKESLSNKISLTGDTHNLTCYLDNLRYILQKTPNEAAVTITDYLSSFTQKEGIYFAKNLTPESGGAIGYASP 113

p1-1R.....
p1-2R.....
p1-3V.....R.....
p1-4R.....
p1-5R.....
p2-1
p2-2
p2-3
p2-4R.....
p2-5
p2-6
p2-7
p2-8
p2-9
p2-10R.....

VR1

D/UW-3/CX NSPTVEIRD TIGPVIFENNTCCRLFTWRNP-YAADKIREGGAIHAQNLYINHNHDVVGFMKNFSYVQGGAISTANTFVVS 192

p1-1P..S..RA..N.....
p1-2P..S..RA..N.....
p1-3P..S..RA..N.....
p1-4P..S..RA..N.....
p1-5P..S..RA..N.....
p2-1-.....
p2-2-.....
p2-3-.....
p2-4P.....LT.VN.....
p2-5-.....
p2-6-.....
p2-7-.....R.....
p2-8-.....
p2-9S..RA..N.....
p2-10P.....LT.VN.....

D/UW-3/CX ENQSCFLFMDNICIQTNTAGGGAIYAGTSNSFESNNCDLFFINNACAGGAIFSPICSLTGNRGNIVFYNNRCFKNVET 272

p1-1
p1-2
p1-3
p1-4I..
p1-5
p2-1
p2-2
p2-3
p2-4
p2-5
p2-6
p2-7
p2-8
p2-9
p2-10I..

D/UW-3/CX ASSEASDGGAIKVTTRLDVTGNRGRIFFSDNITKNYGGAIYAPVVTLDNGPTYFINNIANNKGGAIIYIDGTSNSKISAD 352

p1-1E.....
p1-2E.....
p1-3E.....
p1-4E.....
p1-5E.....
p2-1
p2-2
p2-3
p2-4E.....
p2-5
p2-6
p2-7
p2-8D.....
p2-9
p2-10P.....E.....

VR2

D/UW-3/CX RHAIIFNENIVTNVTNANGTTSANPPRRNAITVASSSGEILLGAGSSQNLIFYDPIEVSNAGVSFSNKEADQTGSVF 432

| | | | | |
|-------|----------|----------|--------------------------|--------------|
| p1-1 | ..... | .SND.I.- |T.....I.....EG..... | -.....F..... |
| p1-2 | ..... | .SND.I.- |T.....I.....EG..... | -.....F..... |
| p1-3 | ..... | .SND.I.- |T.....I.....EG..... | -.....F..... |
| p1-4 | ..... | .SND.I.- |T.....I.....EG..... | -.....F..... |
| p1-5 | ..T..... | .SND.I.- |T.....I.....EG..... | -.....F..... |
| p2-1 | ..... |  | ..... |  |
| p2-2 | ..... |  | ..... |  |
| p2-3 | ..... |  | ..... |  |
| p2-4 | ..... |  | ..... | F..... |
| p2-5 | ..... |  | ..... |  |
| p2-6 | ..... |  | ..... |  |
| p2-7 | ..... |  | ..... |  |
| p2-8 | ..... |  | ..... |  |
| p2-9 | ..... |  | ..... |  |
| p2-10 | ..... |  | ..... | F..... |

VR3

D/UW-3/CX SGATVNSADFHQRLNLQTTPAPLTLNGFLCIEDHAQLTVNRFTQTGGVVLNGAVLSCYKNGTGDSASNASITLKHIGH 512

| | | | | |
|-------|-------|-------------|------------|----------------|
| p1-1 | ..... | T...NH..... | K...A..... | -NST...V..... |
| p1-2 | ..... | T...NH..... | K...A..... | -NST...V..... |
| p1-3 | ..... | T...NH..... | K...A..... | -NST...V..... |
| p1-4 | ..... | T...NH..... | K...A..... | -NST...V..... |
| p1-5 | ..... | T...NH..... | K...A..... | --NST...V..... |
| p2-1 | ..... |  |  |  |
| p2-2 | ..... |  |  |  |
| p2-3 | ..... |  |  |  |
| p2-4 | ..... |  |  |  |
| p2-5 | ..... |  |  |  |
| p2-6 | ..... |  |  |  |
| p2-7 | ..... |  |  |  |
| p2-8 | ..... |  |  |  |
| p2-9 | ..... |  |  |  |
| p2-10 | ..... |  |  |  |

VR3

VR4

D/UW-3/CX LNLSSILKSGAEIPLLWVEPTNNNN---YTADTAATFSLSDVKLSLIDDYGNSPYESTDLTHALSSQPMILSIEASDN 588

| | | | |
|-------|---------|-------|--|
| p1-1 | ...P... | ..... | ATTS.RTTT.S.....G..R.....D.....V....I.A..... |
| p1-2 | ...P... | ..... | ATTS.RTTT.S.....G..R.....D.....V....V.A..... |
| p1-3 | ...P... | ..... | ATTS.RTTT.S.....G..R.....D.....V....I.A..... |
| p1-4 | ...P... | ..... | ATTS.RTTT.S.....G..R.....D.....V....I.A..... |
| p1-5 | ...P... | ..... | ATTS.RTTT.S.....G..R.....D.....V....I.A..... |
| p2-1 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| p2-2 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| p2-3 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| p2-4 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| p2-5 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| p2-6 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| p2-7 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| p2-8 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| p2-9 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| p2-10 | ..... | ..... | T..... |

VR5

D/UW-3/CX QLQSENIDFSGLNVPHYGWQGLWTGWAKTQDPPEPASSATITDPQKANRFHRTLLLTLWPAGYVPSPKHRSPLANTLG 668

| | | | | |
|-------|--------------|--------|------------|--------|
| p1-1 |SM..... | L..... | .N.SA..... | ..... |
| p1-2 |SM..... | L..... | .N.SA..... | ..... |
| p1-3 |SM..... | L..... | .N.SA..... | ..... |
| p1-4 |SM..... | L..... | .N.SA..... | ..... |
| p1-5 |SM..... | L..... | .N.SA..... | ..... |
| p2-1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| p2-2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| p2-3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| p2-4 | ..R.DDM..... | ..... | .N.SA..... | ..... |
| p2-5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| p2-6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | G..... |
| p2-7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| p2-8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| p2-9 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| p2-10 | ..R.DDM..... | ..... | .N.SA..... | ..... |

D/UW-3/CX NMLLATESLKNSAELTPSGHDFWGITGGGLGMMVYQDPRENHPGFHMRSAGSAGMIAGQTHTFSLKFSQTYTKLNERYA 748

p1-1D.....
p1-2D.....
p1-3D.....
p1-4D.....
p1-5D.....
p2-1
p2-2
p2-3
p2-4D.....
p2-5D.....
p2-6D.....
p2-7
p2-8
p2-9
p2-10D.....

D/UW-3/CX KNNVSSKNYSQGEMLFSLQEGFLTLKLVGLYSYGDHNCHHFYTQGENLTSQGTFRSQTMGGAFFDLPMKPGSTHILT 828

p1-1A.....
p1-2A.....
p1-3A.....
p1-4A.....
p1-5A.....
p2-1
p2-2
p2-3A.....
p2-4A.....
p2-5A.....
p2-6A.....
p2-7
p2-8
p2-9A.....
p2-10A.....

D/UW-3/CX APFLGALGIYSSLSHFTEVGAYPRSFSTKTPLINVLPIGVKGSFMNATHRPQAWTVELAYQPVLYRQEPMIAAQLLASK 908

p1-1Q.....L...T.....
p1-2Q.....L...T.....
p1-3Q.....L...T.....
p1-4Q.....L...T....Q
p1-5Q.....L...T.....
p2-1T.....
p2-2
p2-3Q.....L...T.....
p2-4Q.....L...T.....
p2-5Q.....L...T.....
p2-6Q.....L...T.....
p2-7
p2-8
p2-9Q.....L...T.....
p2-10Q.....L...T.....

D/UW-3/CX GIWFGSGSPSSRHAMSYKISQQTQPLSWLTLH 940

p1-1
p1-2
p1-3
p1-4
p1-5
p2-1
p2-2
p2-3
p2-4
p2-5
p2-6
p2-7
p2-8
p2-9
p2-10

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