

Table S1

Primers used in RT-qPCR

RSAD2-up	GACTGGACCTGGCTTTTCTG
RSAD2-low	GGCTCTGGAACTTTCTCACG
ISG15-up	AGCGTGTACAAGCAGACCAG
ISG15-low	ACCCCGAAGACGTAGATTCA
ISG20-up	AGCTACTGAGCTCCCGACAG
ISG20-low	GGGAATCTGACCCTGTTTCA
IFIT2-up	CAGGAGGCAGAGAGACATCC
IFIT2-low	AGAAACTGGCAAGGCAAAGA
MX1-up	CCCAAGGAGACAGGACCATA
MX1-low	TAGCCCTTCTTCAGGTGGAA

Primers used for construction of Mb04-303 Δ esxA-esxB mutant strain

(I) MutesxA/B-low	GCGGCCGCTCGATCTGGGTTTTTCAGGTC
(II) MutesxA/Bphage-up	CGATCGCGGCTCCACCAGGCCGGG
(III) MutesxA/Bphage-low	CGATCGCGGCTGCGCTGCCATATC
(IV) MutesxA/B-up	AAGCTTATGTTTCGCATAGGGCAACG

Primers used for confirmation of *esxA-esxB* deletion in Mb04-303 Δ esxA-esxB

SigA-up	GGCCAGCCGCGCACC
SigA-low	GTCCAGGTAGTCGCG
esat6-up	ACGTCCATTCAATCCCTCCTT
esat6-low	TCCCATTTTTGCTGGACACC