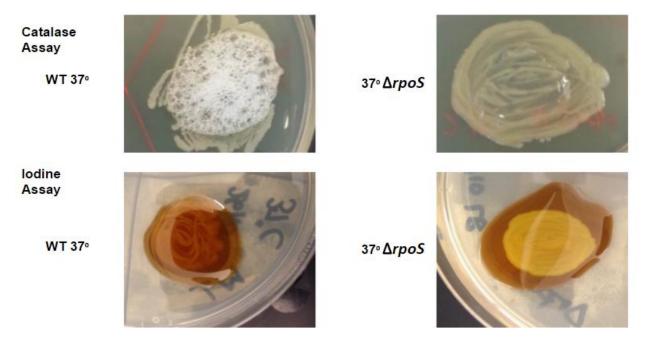
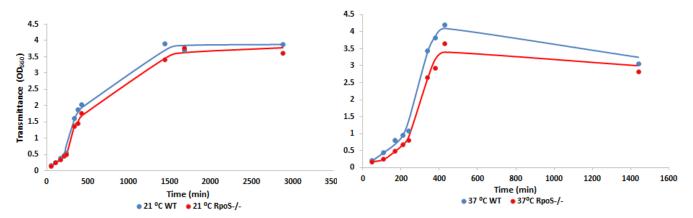
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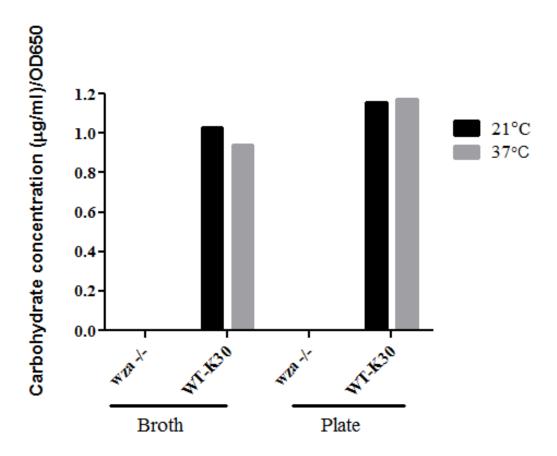
## SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL



Supplemental FIG 1. Catalase and Iodine Assays showing that the  $\Delta rpoS$  mutant strain has an RpoS knock-out phenotype.



Supplemental FIG 2. Growth Curve Assay showing that the  $\Delta rpoS$  mutant strain and WT-K12 strain have normal growth rates.



Supplemental FIG 3. Comparison of carbohydrate quantification of wza -/- and WT K30 parent strain grown on either LB solid media or LB liquid broth at  $21^{\circ}$ C or  $37^{\circ}$ C.