

**Supplementary Figure 2. A metabolic pathway for transhydrogenase activity**. These reactions are based on a scheme for *Clostridium thermocellum* (Burton and Martin, 2012) and confirmed for potential activity in the butyrivibrios except for malate dehydrogenase (Mdh), which was lacking in all draft genomes (depicted with a dashed arrow). Oxaloacetate decarboxylase is expected to pump Na<sup>+</sup> out in the direction of pyruvate production (Repizo et al., 2013). See text for details and additional abbreviations.

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