

Table S3. Criteria for the interpretation of hemolytic activity data of *Vibrio cholerae* non-O1, non-O139 isolates from German coastal waters analyzed in this study.

Mean diameter of the hemolytic halo (mm)	Category^a
No hemolysis	-
Hemolysis only under the macrocolony or ≤ 1	+
> 1 and < 4	++
≥ 4	+++

^a (-), non-hemolytic; (+), weakly hemolytic; (++)
intermediately hemolytic; (+++), strongly hemolytic.