

Table S4. Clinical *Vibrio cholerae* strains used as amplification controls in PCR typing of virulence genes.

Strain	Species	Year	Geographical origin	Type of infection	Reference	Genes/Features ¹
VN-00211	<i>Vibrio cholerae</i> non-O1, non-O139	2011	Italy	Diarrhea	RKI	<i>rtxA</i> ²
VN-00300	<i>Vibrio cholerae</i> non-O1, non-O139	1999	Germany	Diarrhea, peritonitis	BfR	<i>chxA</i>
VN-00303	<i>Vibrio cholerae</i> non-O1, non-O139	2012	Hungary	Otitis	RKI	negative for <i>hlyA</i> ^{CL} , <i>hlyA</i> ^{ET}
VN-00308	<i>Vibrio cholerae</i> non-O1, non-O139	2012	Romania	Diarrhea	RKI	TTSS <i>vcsC2/vcsN2/vspD/vcsV2</i> ; <i>rtxC</i>
VN-00315	<i>Vibrio cholerae</i> non-O1, non-O139	2011	Cuba	Diarrhea	AGES	VSP-2
1576	<i>Vibrio cholerae</i> O1	1959	Thailand	Diarrhea	BfR	classical biotype; <i>rstR</i> ^{CL}
1360	<i>Vibrio cholerae</i> O1	1959	Thailand	Diarrhea	BfR	classical biotype; <i>toxR</i> ; <i>ctxA</i> ; O1 <i>rfb</i> ; <i>hlyA</i> ^{CL} ; <i>ompU</i> ; <i>tcpA</i> ^{CL} , <i>tcpA</i> ^{ET} ; negative for VSP-1, VSP-2
MO45	<i>Vibrio cholerae</i> O139	1992	India	Diarrhea	BfR	El Tor biotype; <i>toxR</i> ; <i>ctxA</i> ; O139 <i>rfb</i> ; <i>hlyA</i> ^{ET} ; <i>mshA</i> ; <i>tcpA</i> ^{ET} ; VSP-1; <i>rstR</i> ^{ET}

AGES: Austrian Agency for Health and Food Safety, Vienna, Austria

BfR: Federal Institute for Risk Assessment, Berlin, Germany

RKI: Robert Koch Institute, Berlin, Germany

CL, Classical; ET, El Tor.

¹ Only genes/features relevant to PCR typing of virulence genes are given.

² VC1451 of *Vibrio cholerae* O1 biovar El Tor str. N16961.