

**Table S2. Clinical characteristics of patients with chronic infections.**

Patient number	Clinical diagnosis	Delta toxin detection by WC-MALDI-TOF MS <sup>a</sup>
1	Chronic cutaneous abscess in diabetic hemodialysis patient	$\delta^+$ <sup>b</sup>
2	Chronic bronchial suture infection in a lung-transplanted diabetic patient	$\delta^+$
3	Chronic lung infection in CF <sup>c</sup> patient	$\delta^+$
4	Chronic lung infection in CF patient	$\delta^+$
5	Chronic lung infection in CF patient	$\delta^+$
6	Chronic lung infection in CF patient	$\delta^+$
7	Chronic lung infection in CF patient	$\delta^+$
8	Chronic lung infection in CF patient	$\delta^+$
9	Chronic lung infection in CF patient	$\delta^+$
10	Chronic lung infection in CF patient	$\delta^+$
11	Chronic amputation-site infection in a diabetic patient	$\delta^+$
12	Diabetic foot infection	$\delta^+$
13	Chronic osteoarthritis of the left hand in a diabetic patient	$\delta^+$
14	Diabetic foot infection	$\delta^+$
15	Recurrent bacteremia in dialysis and diabetic patient	$\delta^-$ <sup>d</sup>
16	Chronic lung infection in CF patient	$\delta^-$
17	Chronic lung infection in CF patient	$\delta^-$
18	Chronic lung infection in CF patient	$\delta^-$
19	Chronic lung infection in CF patient	$\delta^-$
20	Diabetic foot infection	$\delta^-$

<sup>a</sup>WC-MALDI-TOF MS: Whole-Cell Matrix Assisted Laser Desorption Ionization - Time-of-Flight mass spectrometry ; <sup>b</sup> $\delta^+$ : detection of delta toxin ; <sup>c</sup>CF: cystic fibrosis ; <sup>d</sup> $\delta^-$ : no detection of delta toxin.