



Supplementary Fig. S6

DNA-binding protects RovA proteolysis. (**A**) Stability of RovA during exponential phase at 37°C in *Y. pseudotuberculosis* YPIII pUC19 and YPIII pKH24, harbouring the RovA binding sites of the *rovA* promoter. (**B**) Stability of the RovA mutant protein RovAE71K and the RovA wildtype protein expressed by YPIII pKH26 and YPIII pHT123, respectively during the exponential phase at 37°C. Cultures of the *Y. pseudotuberculosis* strains were grown to exponential phase (OD₆₀₀= 0.3-0.4) at 25°C before chloramphenicol (200 μg ml⁻¹) was added to stop protein synthesis. The cultures were shifted to 37°C for additional 90 min. Aliquots of the cultures were removed at the indicated times, whole cell extracts from identical numbers of bacteria were prepared and analyzed by Western blotting with a polyclonal antibody directed against RovA. The *rovA* knock-out strain YP3 was used as a control. A prestained molecular weight marker is loaded on the left.