Table S6: Replication periods determined by QPCR

Strain	oriC/ter ratio	Calculated replication period
Wild type	$3.72 \pm 0.25$	53 ± 3 min
Low excess DnaA	$3.77 \pm 0.17$	55 ± 1 min
$\Delta dat A$	3.91± 0.09	55 ± 1 min
Wild type (with empty vector)	3.931 (3.51-4.34)	57 <sup>1</sup>
High excess DnaA	4.40 <sup>1</sup> (4.15-4.64)	67 <sup>1, 2</sup>

<sup>±</sup> represents the standard deviation.

<sup>1</sup>Average of two experiments.

<sup>2</sup> It is not known whether the replication period actually is longer in cells with ten-fold extra DnaA or whether this number is high because some cells suffer replication fork collapse