

**Supporting Information**

**for**

**Isotopically labeled sulfur compounds and synthetic selenium and tellurium analogues to study sulfur metabolism in marine bacteria**

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**Tables with strains, primers and the full results of the headspace analyses**

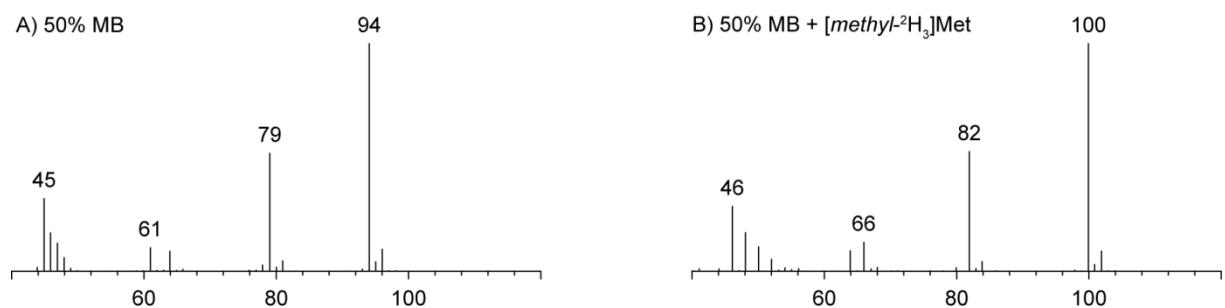
**Table S1:** Wild type and mutant strains investigated in this study.

Strain	Genotype	Locus Tag <sup>a</sup>	Source
<i>Phaeobacter gallaeciensis</i>			
DSM 17395	wild type		[1]
CZ01	<i>dmdA::kan</i>	PGA1_262p01830	This work
WP45	<i>cysI::EZTn5</i>	PGA1_c20760	[1]
WP73	<i>sat/cysC::EZTn5</i>	PGA1_c24800	[1]
262 kb mutant	DSM 17395 Δ262 kb		[2]
<i>Ruegeria pomeroyi</i>			
DSS-3 (= DSM 15171 <sup>T</sup> )	wild type		[3]
J471	<i>dmdA::pBIO1870</i>	SPO1913	[4]
J474	<i>dddQ::pBIO1869</i>	SPO1596	[5]
<i>Roseobacter denitrificans</i>			
OCh 114 (= DSM 7001 <sup>T</sup> )	wild type		[6]
<i>Oceanibulbus indolifex</i>			
HEL-45 (= DSM 14862 <sup>T</sup> )	wild type		[7]
<i>Dinoroseobacter shibae</i>			
DFL-12 (= DSM 16493 <sup>T</sup> )	wild type		[8]
<i>Labrenzia alexandrii</i>			
DFL-11 (= DSM 17067 <sup>T</sup> )	wild type		[9]
<i>Hoeflea phototrophica</i>			
DFL-43 (= DSM 17068 <sup>T</sup> )	wild type		[10]
<i>Roseovarius mucosus</i>			
DFL-24 (= DSM 17069 <sup>T</sup> )	wild type		[11]

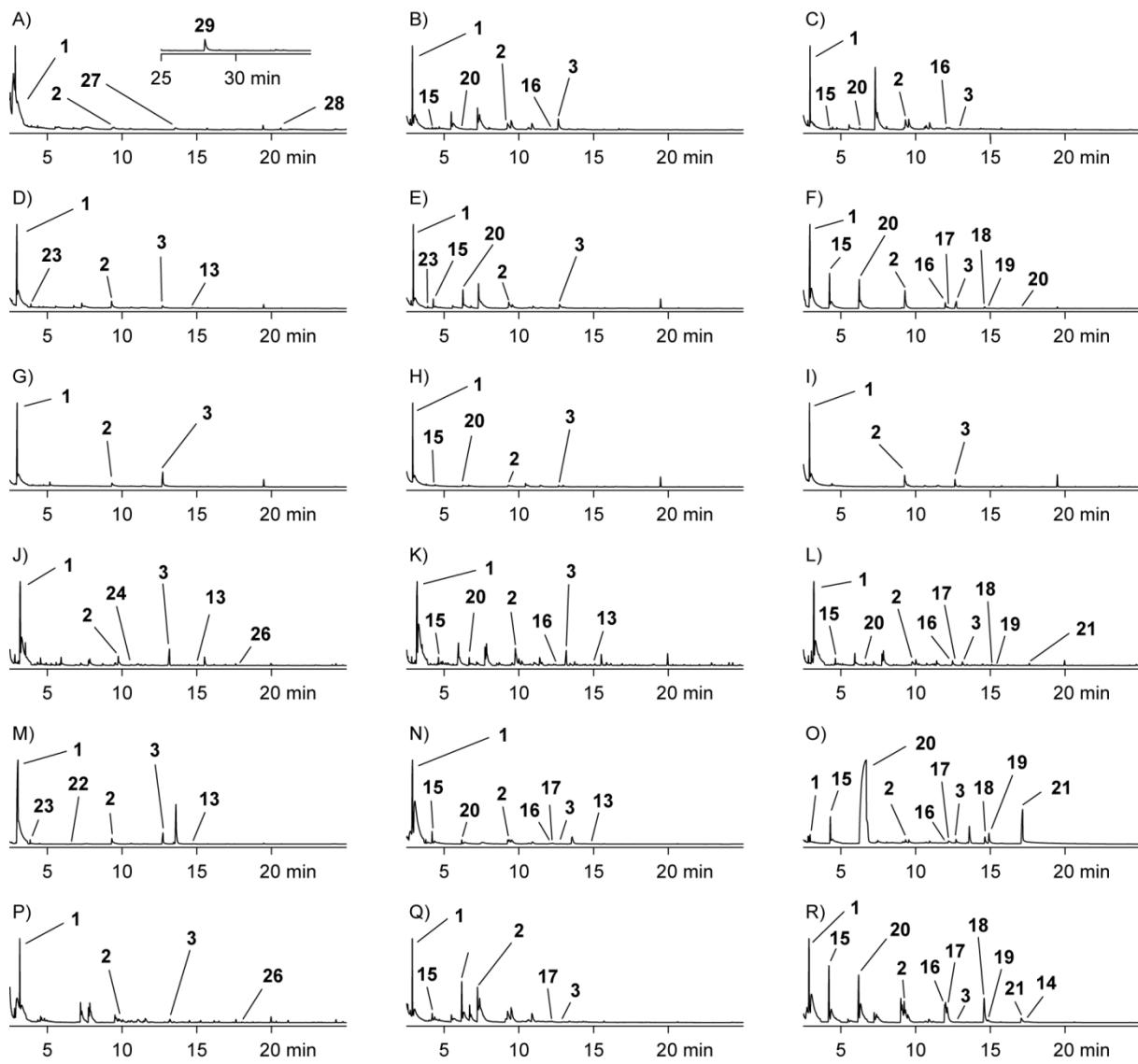
<sup>a</sup> Locus tags of the targeted genes.

**Table S2:** Oligonucleotide primers used in this study.

Primer	Sequence
Cl1f	ATTGGAACTGGCAAGTGCAGC
Cl1r	AACTTCCATCGTGACTATGTCAGC
nptII-f	CCTTAGTGAGGGTTAATTGCGC
nptII-r	GGATGAATGTCAGCTACTGG



**Figure S1:** Incorporation of [*methyl-* $^2\text{H}_3$ ]methionine into dimethyl disulfide (**1**) by *Phaeobacter gallaeiensis*.



**Figure S2:** Chromatograms of headspace extracts from *R. denitrificans* DSM 7001

grown on A) 50% MB2216, B) 50% MB2216 + 1 mmol/l  $\text{Na}_2\text{SeO}_4$ , C) 50% MB2216 + 1 mmol/l  $\text{Na}_2\text{SeO}_3$ , from *O. indolicus* DSM 14862 grown on D) 50% MB2216, E) 50% MB2216 + 1 mmol/l  $\text{Na}_2\text{SeO}_4$ , F) 50% MB2216 + 1 mmol/l  $\text{Na}_2\text{SeO}_3$ , from *D. shibae* DSM 16493 grown on G) 50% MB2216, H) 50% MB2216 + 1 mmol/l  $\text{Na}_2\text{SeO}_4$ , I) 50% MB2216 + 1 mmol/l  $\text{Na}_2\text{SeO}_3$ , from *L. alexandrii* DFL-11 grown on J) 50% MB2216, K) 50% MB2216 + 1 mmol/l  $\text{Na}_2\text{SeO}_4$ , L) 50% MB2216 + 1 mmol/l  $\text{Na}_2\text{SeO}_3$ , from *H. phototrophica* DFL-43 grown on M) 50% MB2216, N) 50% MB2216 + 1 mmol/l  $\text{Na}_2\text{SeO}_4$ , O) 50% MB2216 + 1 mmol/l  $\text{Na}_2\text{SeO}_3$ , and from *R. mucosus* DFL-24 grown on P) 50% MB2216, Q) 50% MB2216 + 1 mmol/l  $\text{Na}_2\text{SeO}_4$ , R) 50% MB2216 + 1 mmol/l  $\text{Na}_2\text{SeO}_3$ .

**Table S3:** Feeding of selenate and selenite to marine bacteria.

Compound <sup>a</sup>	P	DSM 17395 50% MB2216 +1 mmol/l Na <sub>2</sub> SeO <sub>4</sub> +1 mmol/l Na <sub>2</sub> SeO <sub>3</sub>	DSM 7001 50% MB2216 +1 mmol/l Na <sub>2</sub> SeO <sub>4</sub> +1 mmol/l Na <sub>2</sub> SeO <sub>3</sub>	DSM 14862 50% MB2216 +1 mmol/l Na <sub>2</sub> SeO <sub>4</sub> +1 mmol/l Na <sub>2</sub> SeO <sub>3</sub>	DSM 16493 50% MB2216 +1 mmol/l Na <sub>2</sub> SeO <sub>4</sub> +1 mmol/l Na <sub>2</sub> SeO <sub>3</sub>	DFL-11 50% MB2216 +1 mmol/l Na <sub>2</sub> SeO <sub>4</sub> +1 mmol/l Na <sub>2</sub> SeO <sub>3</sub>	DFL-43 50% MB2216 +1 mmol/l Na <sub>2</sub> SeO <sub>4</sub> +1 mmol/l Na <sub>2</sub> SeO <sub>3</sub>	DFL-24 50% MB2216 +1 mmol/l Na <sub>2</sub> SeO <sub>4</sub> +1 mmol/l Na <sub>2</sub> SeO <sub>3</sub>
Dimethyl disulfide ( <b>1</b> )	768	xxx xxx xxx	xxx xxx xxx	xxx xx xxx	xxx xxx xxx	xxx xxx x	xxx xxx x	xxx xxx xxx
S-Methyl propanethioate ( <b>23</b> )	802			x x		x		
Dimethyl selenyl sulfide ( <b>15</b> )	814	xxx xxx	x x x	x xxx	x	x x x	xx xx	xx xxx
Methylpyrazine	825		x x x			x x x	x	x
2-(Methoxymethyl)furan	827		x x			x x x	x x	x x
Furfural	835		x			x x x	x x	x x
2-Furanmethanol	860	xx	xx xxx xx			xx xx xx		xx x
Dimethyl diselenide ( <b>20</b> )	884	xx xx	x x	xx xxx	xx	x x x	xx xxx	xxx xxx
Bis(methylthio)methane ( <b>22</b> )	885					x		
Cyclohexanone	896		x x			x x	x x	xxx xxx x
2,5-Dimethylpyrazine	911	xxx	xx xxx xxx			x x x	x x x	xx xx xx
2-Acetyl furan	913		xx xxx xx			xx xx xx	x xx x	xxx xxx xx
Benzaldehyde	961		x x	x		x x x	x x	xx x xx
Dimethyl trisulfide ( <b>2</b> )	967	x xx xxx	xx xx xx	xx x xxx	xx xx xxx	xx xx xx	xx xx x	xx xx xx
4-Methylthio-2-butanone ( <b>24</b> )	990					x		
2-Acetylthiazole	1016		x x			x x x	x x	xx x x
Benzyl alcohol	1033					x x x	x x	
Bis(methylthio)selenide ( <b>16</b> )	1045	x x	x x	xx		x x	x x	xx
Methyl methylseleno disulfide ( <b>17</b> )	1051	x x		xx		x x	x x	x xx
S-Methyl methanethiosulfonate ( <b>3</b> )	1063	xx xx x	xx x	xx x xx	xx x xx	xx xx x	xx x x	x x x
Acetophenone	1065					x		x
1,2,4-Trithiolane ( <b>27</b> )	1088		x				xxx xx xx	
1-Undecene	1091							
Methyl benzoate	1093					x		
Nonanal	1103		x			x x	x	x x
2-Phenylethanol	1111					x x x		
Methyl methylthio diselenide ( <b>18</b> )	1119	x		x		x	x	xx

Methyl (methylthio)methyl disulfide ( <b>13</b> )	1123			x		x	x	x	x	x	x
Phenylacetone	1127					x	x			x	x
Bis(methylseleno)sulfide ( <b>19</b> )	1127				x		x		x		x
Methyl nicotinate	1137						xx	x	x		
Ethyl benzoate	1170	xx	x		xx	x					
Dimethyl triselenide ( <b>21</b> )	1203				x			x		xx	x
Decanal	1203			x	x			x	x	x	
Dimethyl tetrasulfide ( <b>14</b> )	1213		x					x			x
Benzothiazol ( <b>26</b> )	1220						x			x	
Ethyl phenylacetate	1244							x		x	
1,2,4,5-Tetrathiane ( <b>28</b> )	1350		x								
Lenthionine ( <b>29</b> )	1624			xxx							

<sup>a</sup> Known contaminants such as plasticizers and compounds arising from the agar medium are not mentioned. Relative amounts of compounds were given as follows: x: 0-2%, xx: 2-8%, xxx: >8% of total area in GC. <sup>b</sup> Linear retention index on a HP-5MS fused silicar capillary GC column determined from a homologous series of *n*-alkanes.

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