

genomes used in this study for calculating the accuracy of 6 different methods. In order to calculate AUCs, we considered true positives as genes that are predicted as essential and whose orthologs are essential in ecogene database of essential genes for E. coli

K-12 and false positives as genes that are

predicted as essential, but are non-

essential in ecogene study.

Figure S2. Average AUC over all 13