

TABLE 3. Mapping of transposon insertions sites that result in white phenotype in *C. sakazakii* ES5

COG functional category <sup>a</sup>	COG functional class	Annotation <sup>b,c</sup>	
		Homologue	Gene product
Mutation in pigment operon			
H: coenzyme transport and metabolism	Geranylgeranyl pyrophosphate synthase	<i>crtE</i>	Geranylgeranyl pyrophosphate synthase
GC: carbohydrate transport and metabolism/signal transduction mechanisms	Glucosyl transferases, related to UDP-glucosyltransferase	<i>crtX</i>	Zeaxanthin glucosyl transferase
R/E: general function prediction only/amino acid transport and metabolism	Acetyltransferase/choline dehydrogenase and related flavoproteins	<i>crtY</i>	Lycopene cyclase
Q: secondary metabolites biosynthesis, transport and catabolism	Phytoene dehydrogenase and related proteins	<i>crtI</i>	Phytoene dehydrogenase
I: lipid transport and metabolism	Phytoene/squalene synthase	<i>crtB</i>	Phytoene synthase
Mutation outside pigment operon			
C: energy production and conversion	F <sub>o</sub> F <sub>1</sub> -type ATP synthase, subunit alpha	ESA_04012	F <sub>o</sub> F <sub>1</sub> ATP synthase subunit alpha
	F <sub>o</sub> F <sub>1</sub> -type ATP synthase, subunit beta	ESA_04006	F <sub>o</sub> F <sub>1</sub> ATP synthase subunit beta
	F <sub>o</sub> F <sub>1</sub> -type ATP synthase, subunit gamma	ESA_04007	F <sub>o</sub> F <sub>1</sub> ATP synthase subunit gamma
	F <sub>o</sub> F <sub>1</sub> -type ATP synthase, subunit epsilon (mitochondrial delta subunit)	ESA_04005	F <sub>o</sub> F <sub>1</sub> ATP synthase subunit epsilon
	Pyruvate/2-oxoglutarate dehydrogenase complex, dihydrolipoamide acetyltransferase (E1) component, and related enzymes	ESA_02622	<i>sucA</i> 2-oxoglutarate dehydrogenase E1 component
	Pyruvate/2-oxoglutarate dehydrogenase complex, dihydrolipoamide acetyltransferase (E2) component, and related enzymes	ESA_02621	Dihydrolipoamide acetyltransferase
	Pyruvate/2-oxoglutarate dehydrogenase complex, dihydrolipoamide acetyltransferase (E3) component, and related enzymes	ESA_03222	<i>aceF</i> dihydrolipoamide acetyltransferase
	Malate/lactate dehydrogenases	ESA_03622	Malate dehydrogenase
	Succinate dehydrogenase/fumarate reductase, flavoprotein subunit	ESA_02624	Succinate dehydrogenase flavoprotein subunit
P: inorganic ion transport and metabolism	Na <sup>+</sup> /H <sup>+</sup> antiporter	ESA_03316	pH-dependent sodium/proton antiporter
T: signal transduction mechanisms	cAMP-binding proteins, catabolite gene activator, and regulatory subunit of cAMP-dependent protein kinases	ESA_04376	cAMP regulatory protein
S: function unknown	DnaK suppressor protein	ESA_03194	DnaK transcriptional regulator DksA
	Uncharacterized conserved protein	ESA_04343 (Ent638_3811) <sup>d</sup>	Hypothetical protein (intracellular growth attenuator IgA, <i>Enterobacter</i> sp. 638) <sup>d</sup>
		ESA_03563 (ETA_03450) <sup>d</sup>	Hypothetical protein (YhbC-like protein, <i>Erwinia tasmaniensis</i> Et1/99) <sup>d</sup>
		ESA_00549 (AAG53883) <sup>d</sup>	Hypothetical protein (sigma factor RpoS, <i>Escherichia coli</i> ) <sup>d</sup>

<sup>a</sup> NCBI clusters of orthologous groups (COG) of proteins.<sup>b</sup> *Cronobacter sakazakii* ES5 BAC 9E10 for mutations within the pigment operon (accession no. AM384990.1).<sup>c</sup> NCBI assembly ATCC BAA-894 *C. sakazakii* complete genome for mutations outside pigment operon (accession no. CP000783.1).<sup>d</sup> Closest annotated homolog.

(data not shown), consistently with the results for LB, all mutant strains showed significantly increased maximum rates of growth ( $\mu_{\text{max}}_{\text{wt}}$ , 0.14;  $\mu_{\text{max}}_{\Delta \text{crt}X}$ , 0.22;  $\mu_{\text{max}}_{\Delta \text{crt}E}$ , 0.24; and  $\mu_{\text{max}}_{\Delta \text{crt}Y}$ , 0.19;  $P = 0.000$ ).

Cold stress experiments were performed by growing  $\Delta \text{crt}E$ ,  $\Delta \text{crt}X$ , and  $\Delta \text{crt}Y$  in LB and M9 medium at 10°C (for results in M9, see Fig. 1B). Under these conditions, no significant dif-

ferences in maximum specific growth rates were detected for  $\Delta \text{crt}Y$ ,  $\Delta \text{crt}E$ , and  $\Delta \text{crt}X$  in both LB and M9 compared to those of the wild type (in LB,  $\mu_{\text{max}}_{\text{wt}} = 0.04$ ,  $\mu_{\text{max}}_{\Delta \text{crt}X} = 0.03$ ,  $\mu_{\text{max}}_{\Delta \text{crt}E} = 0.03$ , and  $\mu_{\text{max}}_{\Delta \text{crt}Y} = 0.04$ ; in M9,  $\mu_{\text{max}}_{\text{wt}} = 0.01$ ,  $\mu_{\text{max}}_{\Delta \text{crt}X} = 0.01$ ,  $\mu_{\text{max}}_{\Delta \text{crt}E} = 0.01$ , and  $\mu_{\text{max}}_{\Delta \text{crt}Y} = 0.01$ ).

To evaluate growth under acidic conditions, wild-type and