

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

Elucidation of a protein-protein interaction network involved in *Corynebacterium glutamicum* cell wall biosynthesis as determined by bacterial two-hybrid analysis

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Supplementary Tables and Figures

Table S1 Oligonucleotides used in this study

Plasmid ^a	Primer sequence (5' – 3') ^b	Origin
pKT25- <i>wecA</i>	5'-CATGCATGTCTAGAGATGGGAGTCGGTTTCGCG-3' 5'-CATGCATGGAATTCTTAATCAAGTTTGGCGGCT-3'	This study
pKNT25- <i>wecA</i>	5'-CATGCATGAAGCTTGATGGGAGTCGGTTTCGCG-3' 5'-CATGCATGGAATTCGAATCAAGTTTGGCGGCTC-3'	This study
pUT18- <i>wecA</i>	5'-CATGCATGAAGCTTGATGGGAGTCGGTTTCGCG-3' 5'-CATGCATGGAATTCGAATCAAGTTTGGCGGCTC-3'	This study
pUT18c- <i>wecA</i>	5'-CATGCATGTCTAGAGATGGGAGTCGGTTTCGCG-3' 5'-CATGCATGGAATTCTTAATCAAGTTTGGCGGCT-3'	This study
pKT25- <i>wbbL</i>	5'-CATGCATGCTGCAGGGGTGATCACAGTGACCTA-3' 5'-CATGCATGGAATTCCTAAGAGGCTTTCGTTCTC-3'	This study
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pUT18- <i>wbbL</i>	5'-CATGCATGCTGCAGGGGTGATCACAGTGACCTAT-3' 5'-CATGCATGGAATTCGAAGAGGCTTTCGTTCTCA-3'	This study
pUT18c- <i>wbbL</i>	5'-CATGCATGCTGCAGGGGTGATCACAGTGACCTAT-3' 5'-CATGCATGGAATTCCTAAGAGGCTTTCGTTCTC-3'	This study
pKT25- <i>glfT1</i>	5'-CATGCATGCTGCAGGGATGGCACAAACCACTAC-3' 5'-CATGCATGGGTACCCCTAGGGCCTATTGAATTTCT-3'	This study
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pUT18- <i>glfT1</i>	5'-CATGCATGCTGCAGGATGGCACAAACCACTACC-3' 5'-CATGCATGGGTACCCGGGGCCTATTGAATTTCT-3'	This study
pUT18c- <i>glfT1</i>	5'-CATGCATGCTGCAGGATGGCACAAACCACTACC-3' 5'-CATGCATGGGTACCCCTAGGGCCTATTGAATTTCT-3'	This study

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pUT18- <i>glfT2</i>	5'-CATGCATGCTGCAGGATGAAGGGTGAAGATACG-3' 5'-CATGCATGGGTACCCCTTGCTCATCGAAGACCT-3'	This study
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pUT18c- <i>emb</i>	5'-CATGCATGTCTAGAGATGCGCCAAGTCGGTGGT-3' 5'-CATGCATGGAATTCTTATTCATCTACCTTCATA-3'	This study

^aPlasmids contain the sequence generated by PCR amplification with the pair of primer on the right column

^bRestriction enzyme sites are underlined

Table S2 Bacterial strains and plasmids used in this study

Plasmid or strain	Description or genotype	Origin
<i>E. coli</i> XL-1 Blue	Cloning strain	Lab Stock
<i>E. coli</i> BTH101	F ⁻ , <i>cya</i> -99, <i>ara</i> D139, <i>gal</i> E15, <i>gal</i> K16, <i>rps</i> L1 (Str ^r), <i>hsd</i> R2, <i>mcr</i> A1, <i>mcr</i> B1 strain	[38]
pKT25	Cloning and expression vector, pSU40 derivative with T25 domain of CyaA, multiclonal sequence site (MCS) at the 3' end of T25, Kan ^r	[38]
pKNT25	Cloning and expression vector, pSU40 derivative with T25 domain of CyaA, MCS at the 3' start of T25, Kan ^r	[38]
pUT18	Cloning and expression vector, pUC19 derivative with T18 domain of CyaA, MCS at the 3' start of T18, Amp ^r	[38]
pUT18c	Cloning and expression vector, pUC19 derivative with T18 domain of Cya, MCS at the 3' end of T18, Amp ^r	[38]
pKT25- <i>zip</i>	Control plasmid, T25 domain of Cya fused in frame with leucine zipper of GCN4, Kan ^r	[38]
pUT18c- <i>zip</i>	Control plasmid, T18 domain of Cya fused in frame with leucine zipper of GCN4, Amp ^r	[38]
pKT25- <i>wecA</i>	pKT25 plasmid with <i>cyaAT25-wecA</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study

pKNT25- <i>wecA</i>	pKNT25 plasmid with <i>wecA-cyaAT25</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study
pUT18- <i>wecA</i>	pUT18 plasmid with <i>wecA-cyaAT18</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
pUT18c- <i>wecA</i>	pUT18c plasmid with <i>cyaAT18-wecA</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
pKT25- <i>wbbL</i>	pKT25 plasmid with <i>cyaAT25-wbbL</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study
pKNT25- <i>wbbL</i>	pKNT25 plasmid with <i>wbbL-cyaAT25</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study
pUT18- <i>wbbL</i>	pUT18 plasmid with <i>wbbL-cyaAT18</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
pUT18c- <i>wbbL</i>	pUT18c plasmid with <i>cyaAT18-wbbL</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
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pUT18- <i>glfT1</i>	pUT18 plasmid with <i>glfT1-cyaAT18</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
pUT18c- <i>glfT1</i>	pUT18c plasmid with <i>cyaAT18-glfT1</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
pKT25- <i>glfT2</i>	pKT25 plasmid with <i>cyaAT25-glfT2</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study
pKNT25- <i>glfT2</i>	pKNT25 plasmid with <i>glfT2-cyaAT25</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study
pUT18- <i>glfT2</i>	pUT18 plasmid with <i>glfT2-cyaAT18</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
pUT18c- <i>glfT2</i>	pUT18c plasmid with <i>cyaAT18-glfT2</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
pKT25- <i>aftA</i>	pKT25 plasmid with <i>cyaAT25-aftA</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study
pKNT25- <i>aftA</i>	pKNT25 plasmid with <i>aftA-cyaAT25</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study
pUT18- <i>aftA</i>	pUT18 plasmid with <i>aftA-cyaAT18</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
pUT18c- <i>aftA</i>	pUT18c plasmid with <i>cyaAT18-aftA</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
pKT25- <i>aftB</i>	pKT25 plasmid with <i>cyaAT25-aftB</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study
pKNT25- <i>aftB</i>	pKNT25 plasmid with <i>aftB-cyaAT25</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study
pUT18- <i>aftB</i>	pUT18 plasmid with <i>aftB-cyaAT18</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
pUT18c- <i>aftB</i>	pUT18c plasmid with <i>cyaAT18-aftB</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
pKT25- <i>aftC</i>	pKT25 plasmid with <i>cyaAT25-aftC</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study
pKNT25- <i>aftC</i>	pKNT25 plasmid with <i>aftC-cyaAT25</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study
pUT18- <i>aftC</i>	pUT18 plasmid with <i>aftC-cyaAT18</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
pUT18c- <i>aftC</i>	pUT18c plasmid with <i>cyaAT18-aftC</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
pKT25- <i>aftD</i>	pKT25 plasmid with <i>cyaAT25-aftD</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study
pKNT25- <i>aftD</i>	pKNT25 plasmid with <i>aftD-cyaAT25</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study
pUT18- <i>aftD</i>	pUT18 plasmid with <i>aftD-cyaAT18</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
pUT18c- <i>aftD</i>	pUT18c plasmid with <i>cyaAT18-aftD</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
pKT25- <i>ubiA</i>	pKT25 plasmid with <i>cyaAT25-ubiA</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study
pKNT25- <i>ubiA</i>	pKNT25 plasmid with <i>ubiA-cyaAT25</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study
pUT18- <i>ubiA</i>	pUT18 plasmid with <i>ubiA-cyaAT18</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
pUT18c- <i>ubiA</i>	pUT18c plasmid with <i>cyaAT18-ubiA</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
pKT25- <i>dprE1</i>	pKT25 plasmid with <i>cyaAT25-dprE1</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study
pKNT25- <i>dprE1</i>	pKNT25 plasmid with <i>dprE1-cyaAT25</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study
pUT18- <i>dprE1</i>	pUT18 plasmid with <i>dprE1-cyaAT18</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
pUT18c- <i>dprE1</i>	pUT18c plasmid with <i>cyaAT18-dprE1</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
pKT25- <i>dprE2</i>	pKT25 plasmid with <i>cyaAT25-dprE2</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study
pKNT25- <i>dprE2</i>	pKNT25 plasmid with <i>dprE2-cyaAT25</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study
pUT18- <i>dprE2</i>	pUT18 plasmid with <i>dprE2-cyaAT18</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
pUT18c- <i>dprE2</i>	pUT18c plasmid with <i>cyaAT18-dprE2</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
pKT25- <i>emb</i>	pKT25 plasmid with <i>cyaAT25-emb</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study
pKNT25- <i>emb</i>	pKNT25 plasmid with <i>emb-cyaAT25</i> fusion, Kan ^r	This study
pUT18- <i>emb</i>	pUT18 plasmid with <i>emb-cyaAT18</i> fusion, Amp ^r	This study
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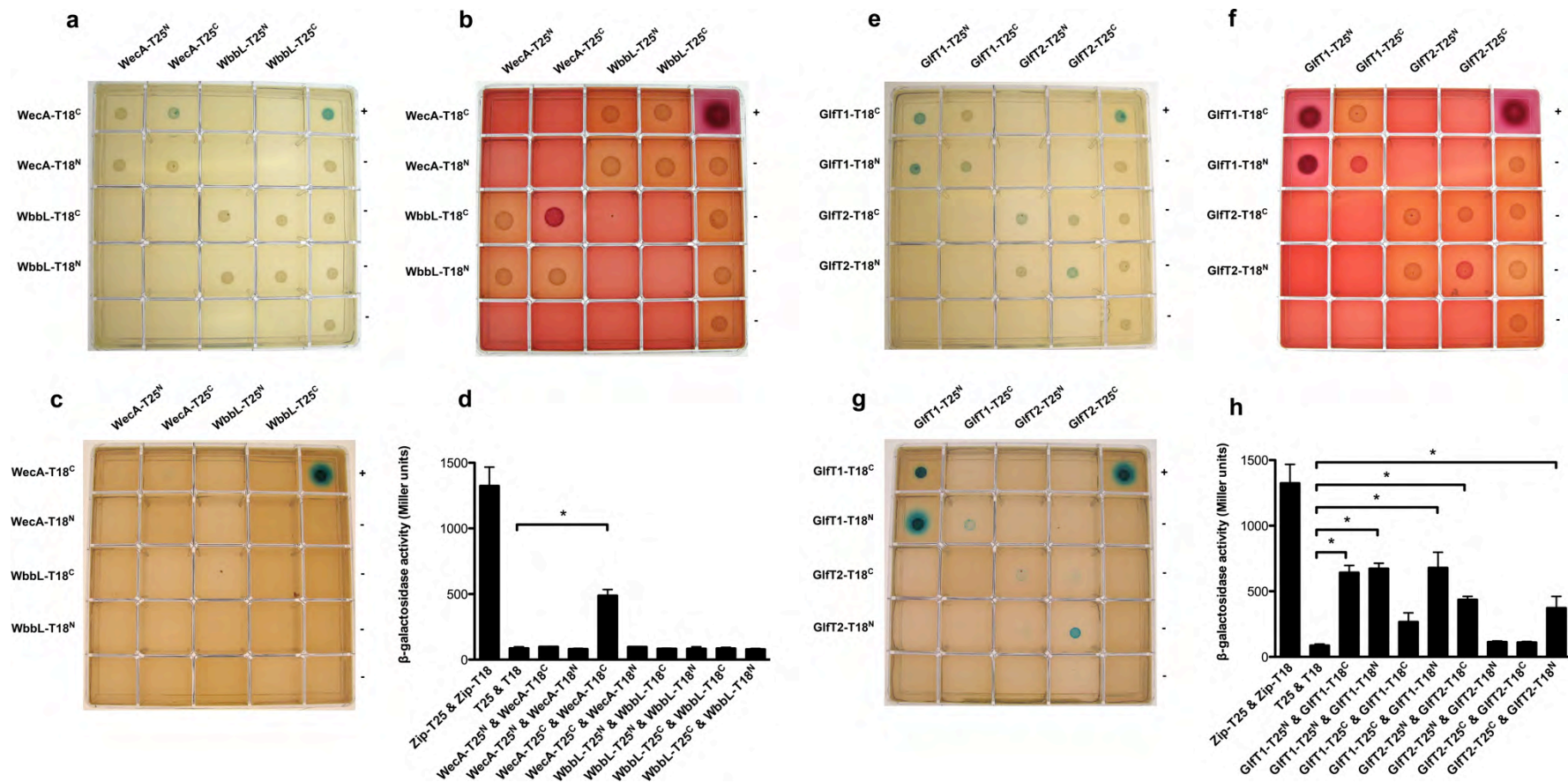


Fig. S1 BACTH analysis of self-interactions of WecA, WbbL, GltT1, and GltT2 from *C. glutamicum*. The genes encoding full-length proteins were fused in frame with adenylate cyclase T25 or T18 fragments at N- or C-terminus and expressed in *E. coli cya*⁻ BTH101. Co-transformants containing two plasmids encoding putative interaction partners were spotted onto selective LB (**a**, **e**), MacConkey (**b**, **f**) and M63 (**c**, **g**) agar, as described in Materials and Methods. Protein-protein interactions are indicated by blue/red colonies through the reconstitution of adenylate cyclase catalytic domain. A strain co-expressing T25 and T18 fragments fused to leucine zipper domain was used as positive control (+), whereas empty pKT25-pUT18, pKT25-pUT18c, pKNT25-pUT18, and pKNT25-pUT18c were used as negative controls (-). **d**, **h** The efficiencies of functional complementation between hybrid proteins were quantified by measuring β-galactosidase activities in suspensions of toluene treated *E. coli* BTH101 harboring the corresponding plasmids. Results are expressed in Miller units and are the mean ± standard deviation of at least three independent experiments. Statistical significance was determined by Student's t-test ($p < 0.01$)

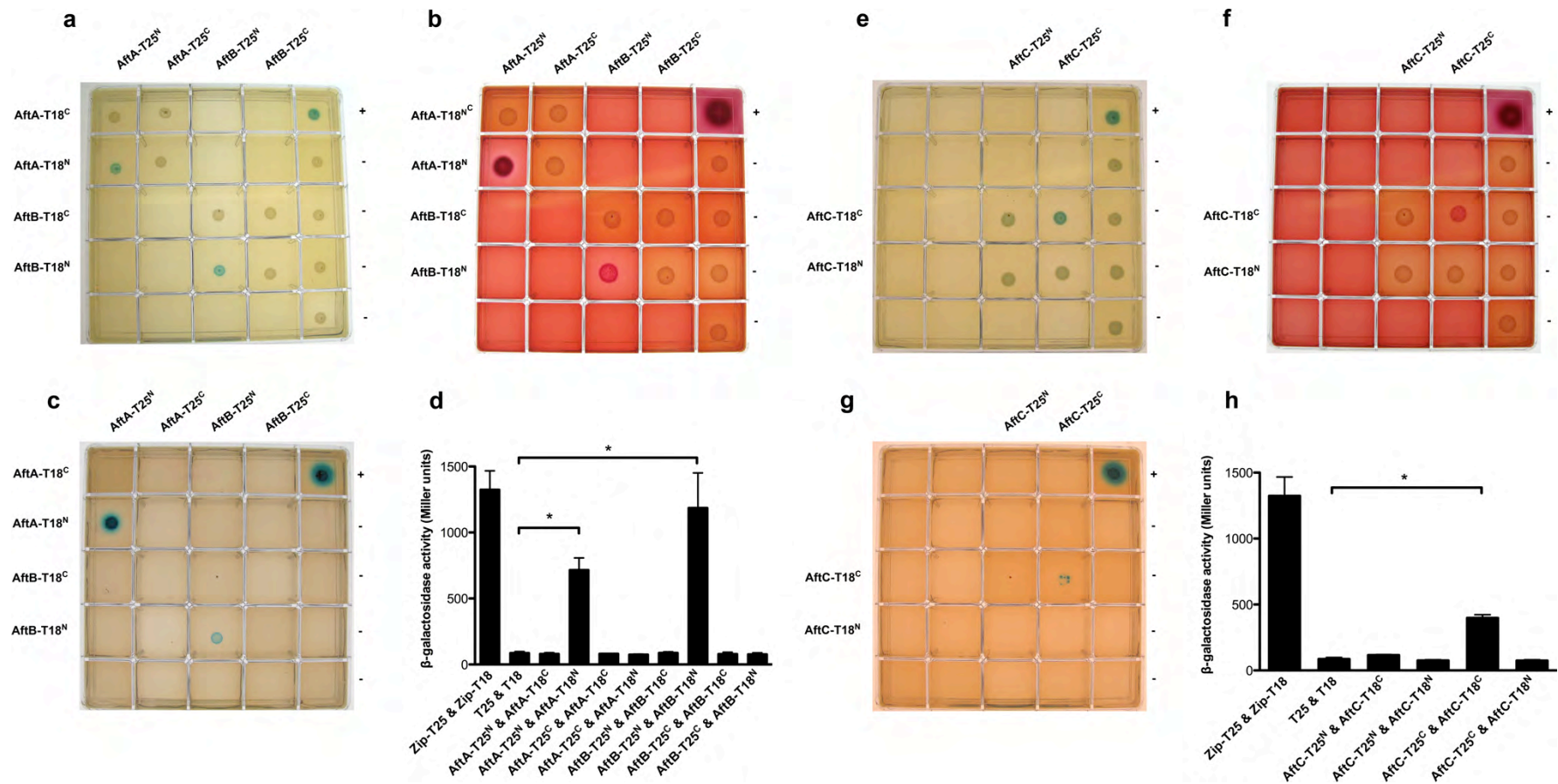


Fig. S2 BACTH analysis of self-interactions of AftA, AftB, and AftC from *C. glutamicum*. The genes encoding full-length proteins were fused in frame with adenylate cyclase T25 or T18 fragments at N- or C-terminus and expressed in *E. coli cya⁻* BTH101. Co-transformants containing two plasmids encoding putative interaction partners were spotted onto selective LB (**a**, **e**), MacConkey (**b**, **f**) and M63 (**c**, **g**) agar, as described in Materials and Methods. Protein-protein interactions are indicated by blue/red colonies through the reconstitution of adenylate cyclase catalytic domain. A strain co-expressing T25 and T18 fragments fused to leucine zipper domain was used as positive control (+), whereas empty pKT25-pUT18, pKT25-pUT18c, pKNT25-pUT18, and pKNT25-pUT18c were used as negative controls (-). **d**, **h** The efficiencies of functional complementation between hybrid proteins were quantified by measuring β -galactosidase activities in suspensions of toluene treated *E. coli* BTH101 harboring the corresponding plasmids. Results are expressed in Miller units and are the mean $\pm$ standard deviation of at least three independent experiments. Statistical significance was determined by Student's t-test ($p < 0.01$)

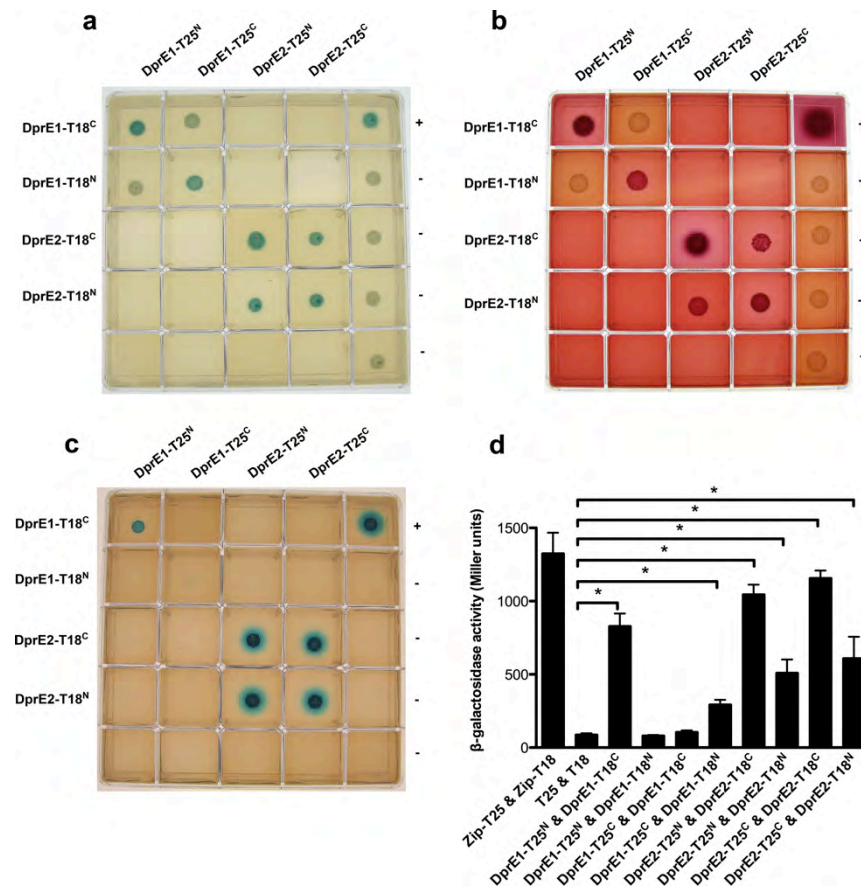


Fig. S3 BACTH analysis of self-interactions of DprE1 and DprE2 from *C. glutamicum*. The genes encoding full-length proteins were fused in frame with adenylate cyclase T25 or T18 fragments at N- or C-terminus and expressed in *E. coli cya⁻* BTH101. Co-transformants containing two plasmids encoding putative interaction partners were spotted onto selective LB (**a**, **e**), MacConkey (**b**, **f**) and M63 (**c**, **g**) agar, as described in Materials and Methods. Protein-protein interactions are indicated by blue/red colonies through the reconstitution of adenylate cyclase catalytic domain. A strain co-expressing T25 and T18 fragments fused to leucine zipper domain was used as positive control (+), whereas empty pKT25-pUT18, pKT25-pUT18c, pKNT25-pUT18, and pKNT25-pUT18c were used as negative controls (-). **d**, **h** The efficiencies of functional complementation between hybrid proteins were quantified by measuring β-galactosidase activities in suspensions of toluene treated *E. coli* BTH101 harboring the corresponding plasmids. Results are expressed in Miller units and are the mean ± standard deviation of at least three independent experiments. Statistical significance was determined by Student's t-test ($p < 0.01$)

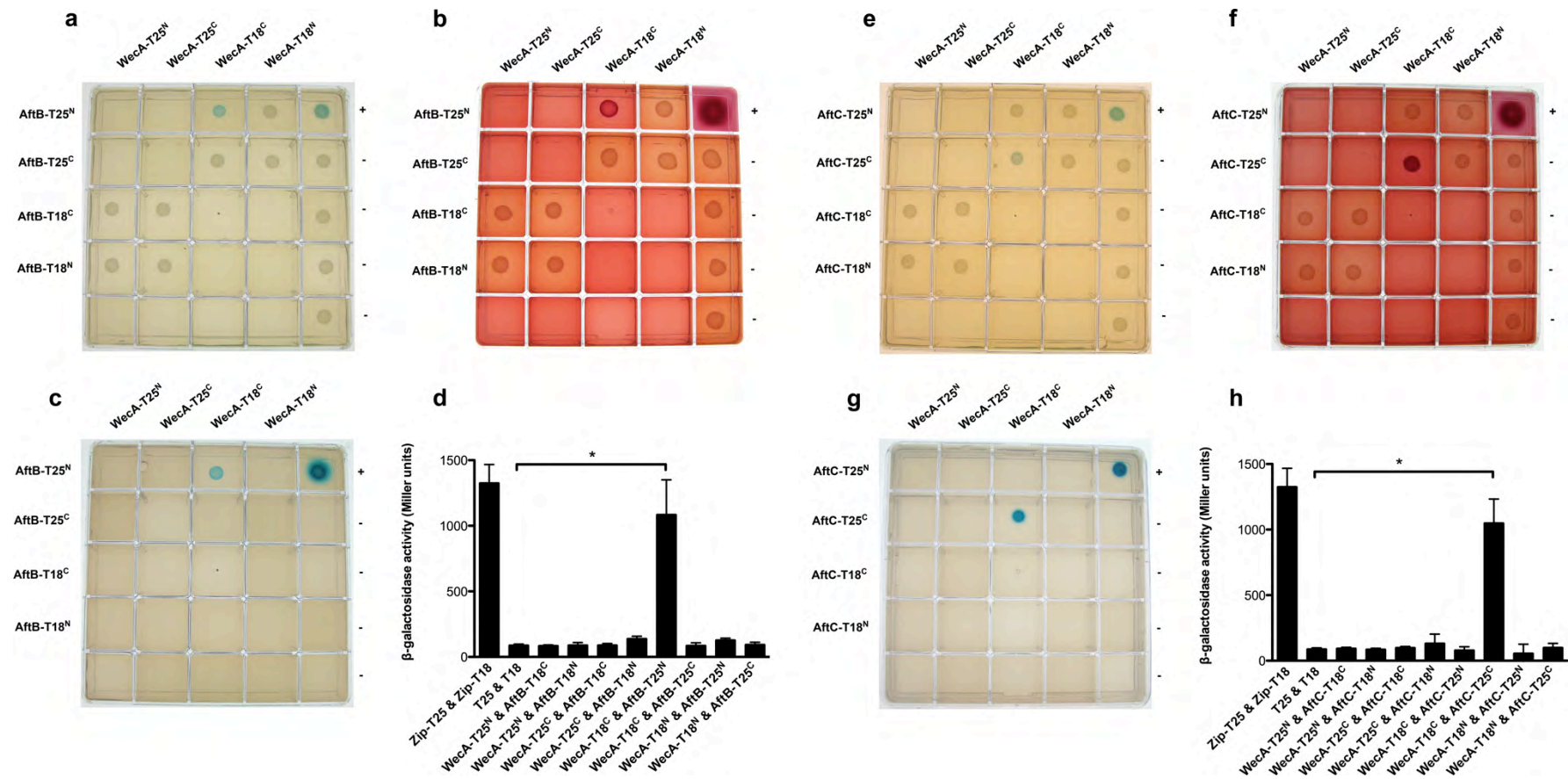


Fig. S4 BACTH analysis of interactions between WecA-AftB and WecA-AftC from *C. glutamicum*. The genes encoding full-length proteins were fused in frame with adenylate cyclase T25 or T18 fragments at N- or C-terminus and expressed in *E. coli* *cyd*⁻ BTH101. Co-transformants containing two plasmids encoding putative interaction partners were spotted onto selective LB (**a**, **e**), MacConkey (**b**, **f**) and M63 (**c**, **g**) agar, as described in Materials and Methods. Protein-protein interactions are indicated by blue/red colonies through the reconstitution of adenylate cyclase catalytic domain. A strain co-expressing T25 and T18 fragments fused to leucine zipper domain was used as positive control (+), whereas empty pKT25-pUT18, pKT25-pUT18c, pKNT25-pUT18, and pKNT25-pUT18c were used as negative controls (-). **d**, **h** The efficiencies of functional complementation between hybrid proteins were quantified by measuring β-galactosidase activities in suspensions of toluene treated *E. coli* BTH101 harboring the corresponding plasmids. Results are expressed in Miller units and are the mean ± standard deviation of at least three independent experiments. Statistical significance was determined by Student's t-test (p < 0.01)

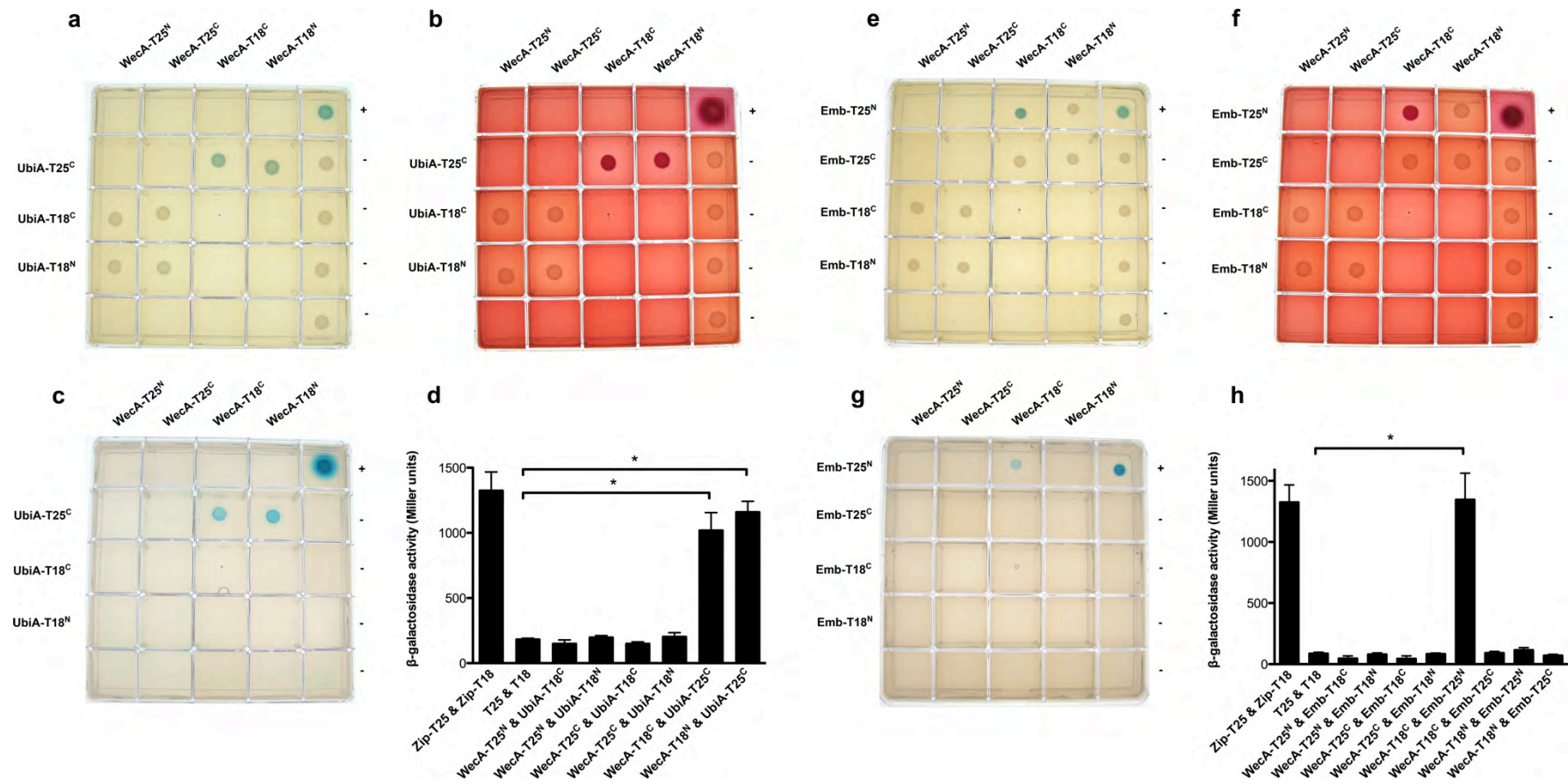


Fig. S5 BACTH analysis of interactions between WecA-UbiA and WecA-Emb from *C. glutamicum*. The genes encoding full-length proteins were fused in frame with adenylate cyclase T25 or T18 fragments at N- or C-terminus and expressed in *E. coli cya*⁻ BTH101. Co-transformants containing two plasmids encoding putative interaction partners were spotted onto selective LB (a, e), MacConkey (b, f) and M63 (c, g) agar, as described in Materials and Methods. Protein-protein interactions are indicated by blue/red colonies through the reconstitution of adenylate cyclase catalytic domain. A strain co-expressing T25 and T18 fragments fused to leucine zipper domain was used as positive control (+), whereas empty pKT25-pUT18, pKT25-pUT18c, pKNT25-pUT18, and pKNT25-pUT18c were used as negative controls (-). d, h The efficiencies of functional complementation between hybrid proteins were quantified by measuring β-galactosidase activities in suspensions of toluene treated *E. coli* BTH101 harboring the corresponding plasmids. Results are expressed in Miller units and are the mean ± standard deviation of at least three independent experiments. Statistical significance was determined by Student's t-test (p<0.01)

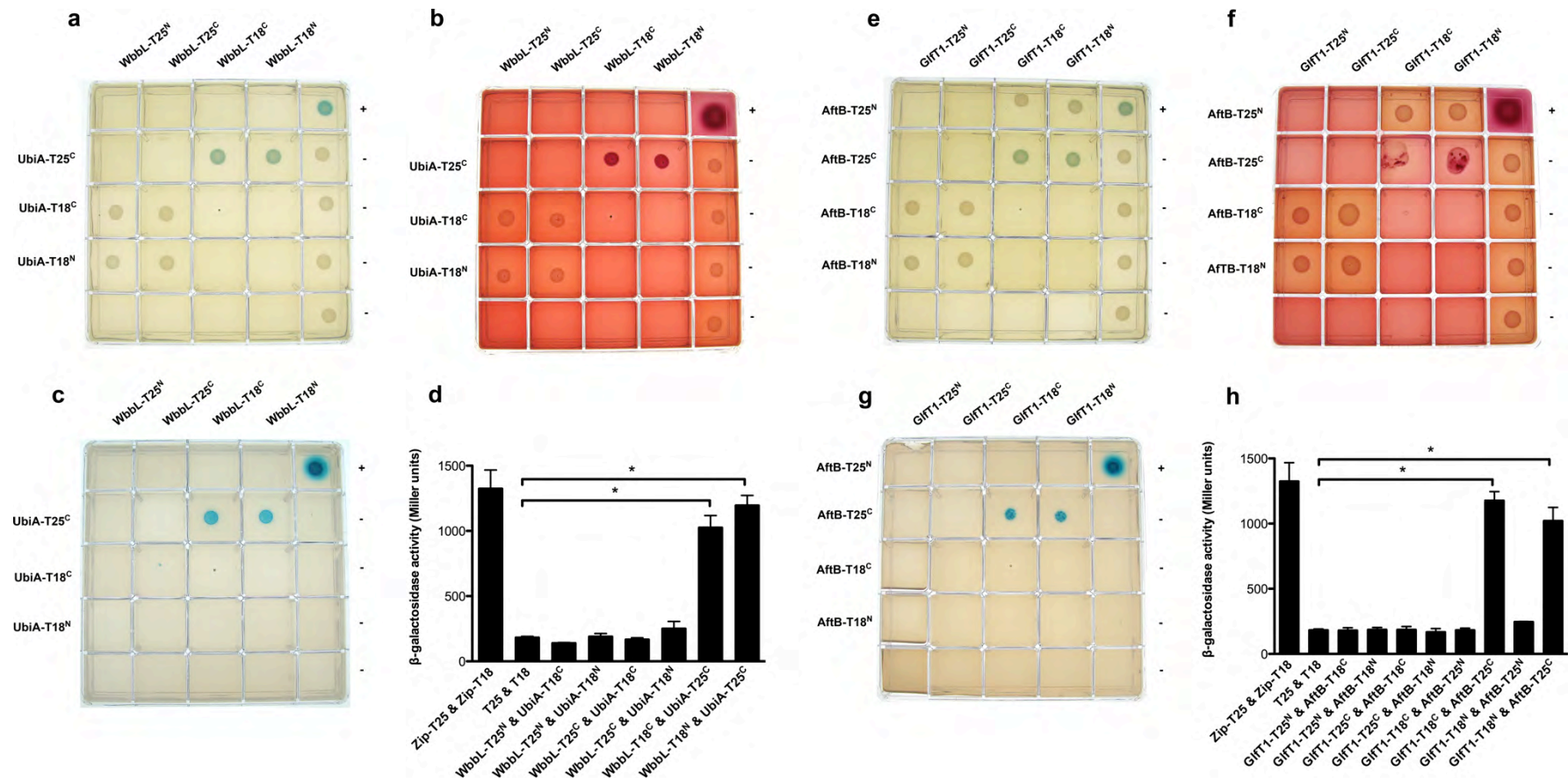


Fig. S6 BACTH analysis of interactions between WbbL-UbiA and GlfT1-AftB from *C. glutamicum*. The genes encoding full-length proteins were fused in frame with adenylate cyclase T25 or T18 fragments at N- or C-terminus and expressed in *E. coli cya*⁻ BTH101. Co-transformants containing two plasmids encoding putative interaction partners were spotted onto selective LB (**a**, **e**), MacConkey (**b**, **f**) and M63 (**c**, **g**) agar, as described in Materials and Methods. Protein-protein interactions are indicated by blue/red colonies through the reconstitution of adenylate cyclase catalytic domain. A strain co-expressing T25 and T18 fragments fused to leucine zipper domain was used as positive control (+), whereas empty pKT25-pUT18, pKT25-pUT18c, pKNT25-pUT18, and pKNT25-pUT18c were used as negative controls (-). **d**, **h** The efficiencies of functional complementation between hybrid proteins were quantified by measuring β-galactosidase activities in suspensions of toluene treated *E. coli* BTH101 harboring the corresponding plasmids. Results are expressed in Miller units and are the mean ± standard deviation of at least three independent experiments. Statistical significance was determined by Student's t-test ($p < 0.01$)

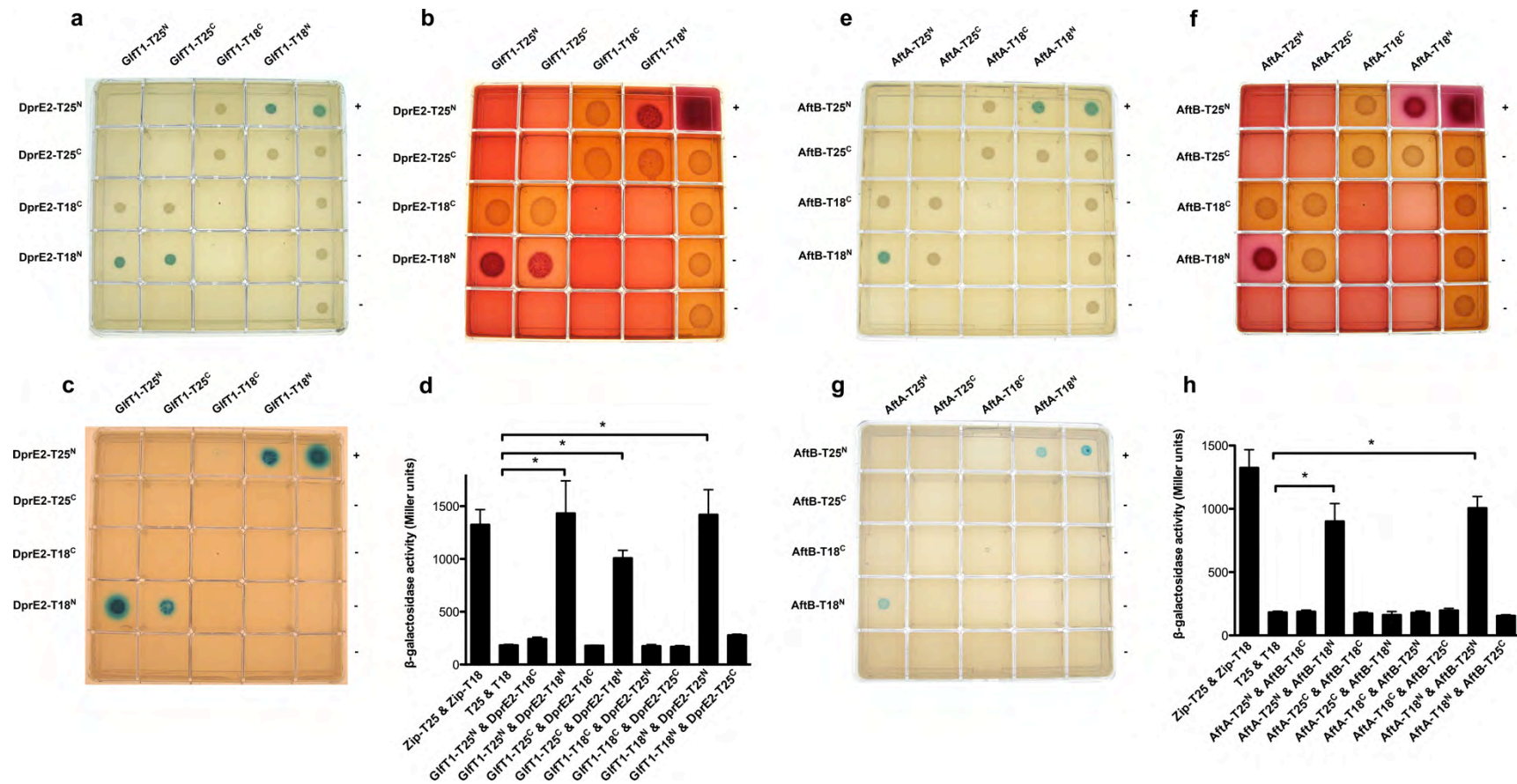


Fig. S7 BACTH analysis of interactions between GlfT1-DprE2 and AftA-AftB from *C. glutamicum*. The genes encoding full-length proteins were fused in frame with adenylate cyclase T25 or T18 fragments at N- or C-terminus and expressed in *E. coli cya*⁻ BTH101. Co-transformants containing two plasmids encoding putative interaction partners were spotted onto selective LB (**a**, **e**), MacConkey (**b**, **f**) and M63 (**c**, **g**) agar, as described in Materials and Methods. Protein-protein interactions are indicated by blue/red colonies through the reconstitution of adenylate cyclase catalytic domain. A strain co-expressing T25 and T18 fragments fused to leucine zipper domain was used as positive control (+), whereas empty pKT25-pUT18, pKT25-pUT18c, pKNT25-pUT18, and pKNT25-pUT18c were used as negative controls (-). **d**, **h** The efficiencies of functional complementation between hybrid proteins were quantified by measuring β-galactosidase activities in suspensions of toluene treated *E. coli* BTH101 harboring the corresponding plasmids. Results are expressed in Miller units and are the mean ± standard deviation of at least three independent experiments. Statistical significance was determined by Student's t-test ($p < 0.01$)

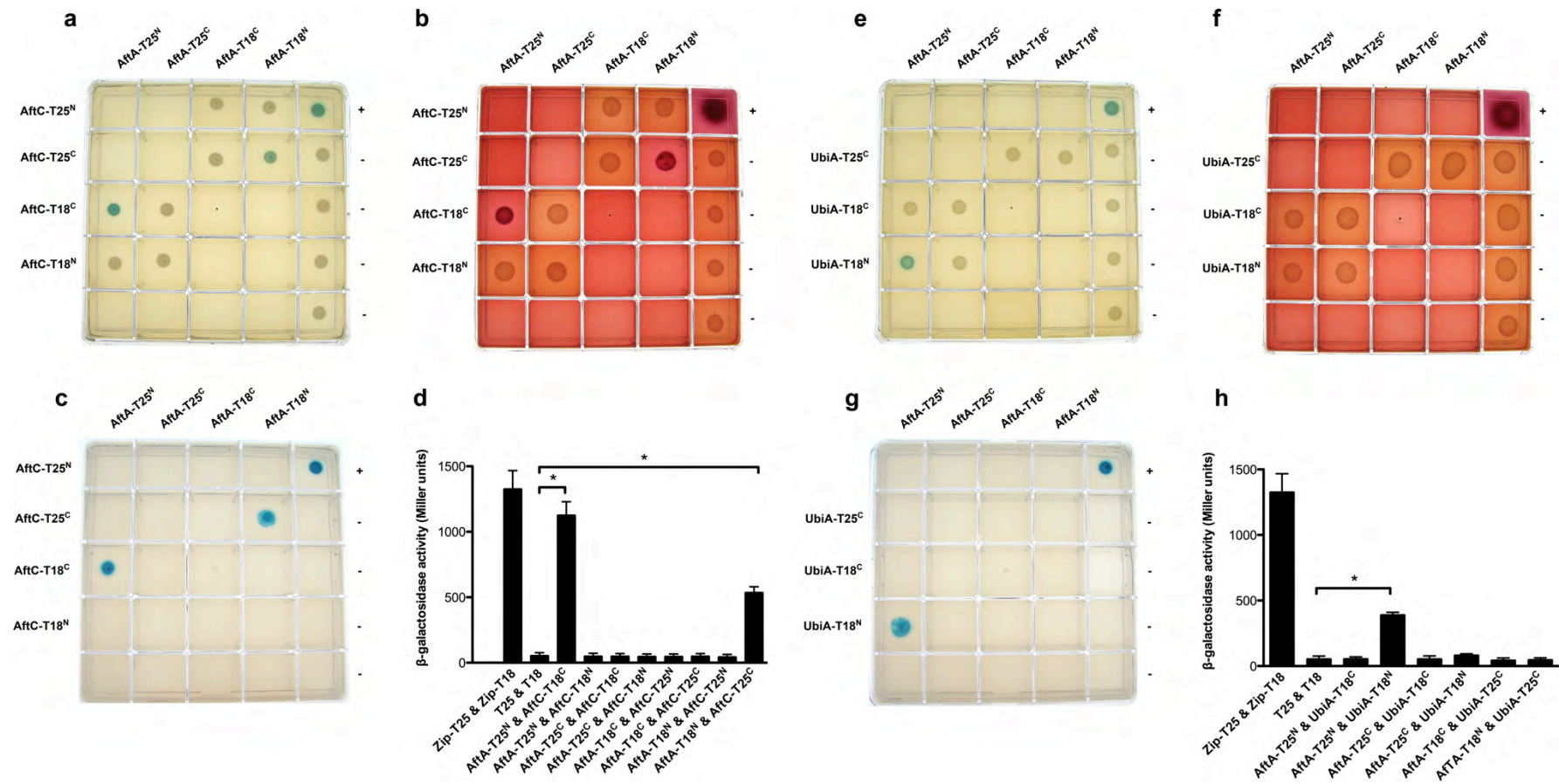


Fig. S8 BACTH analysis of interactions between AftA-AftC and AftA-UbiA from *C. glutamicum*. The genes encoding full-length proteins were fused in frame with adenylate cyclase T25 or T18 fragments at N- or C-terminus and expressed in *E. coli cya*⁻ BTH101. Co-transformants containing two plasmids encoding putative interaction partners were spotted onto selective LB (**a**, **e**), MacConkey (**b**, **f**) and M63 (**c**, **g**) agar, as described in Materials and Methods. Protein-protein interactions are indicated by blue/red colonies through the reconstitution of adenylate cyclase catalytic domain. A strain co-expressing T25 and T18 fragments fused to leucine zipper domain was used as positive control (+), whereas empty pKT25-pUT18, pKT25-pUT18c, pKNT25-pUT18, and pKNT25-pUT18c were used as negative controls (-). **d**, **h** The efficiencies of functional complementation between hybrid proteins were quantified by measuring β-galactosidase activities in suspensions of toluene treated *E. coli* BTH101 harboring the corresponding plasmids. Results are expressed in Miller units and are the mean ± standard deviation of at least three independent experiments. Statistical significance was determined by Student's t-test (p<0.01)

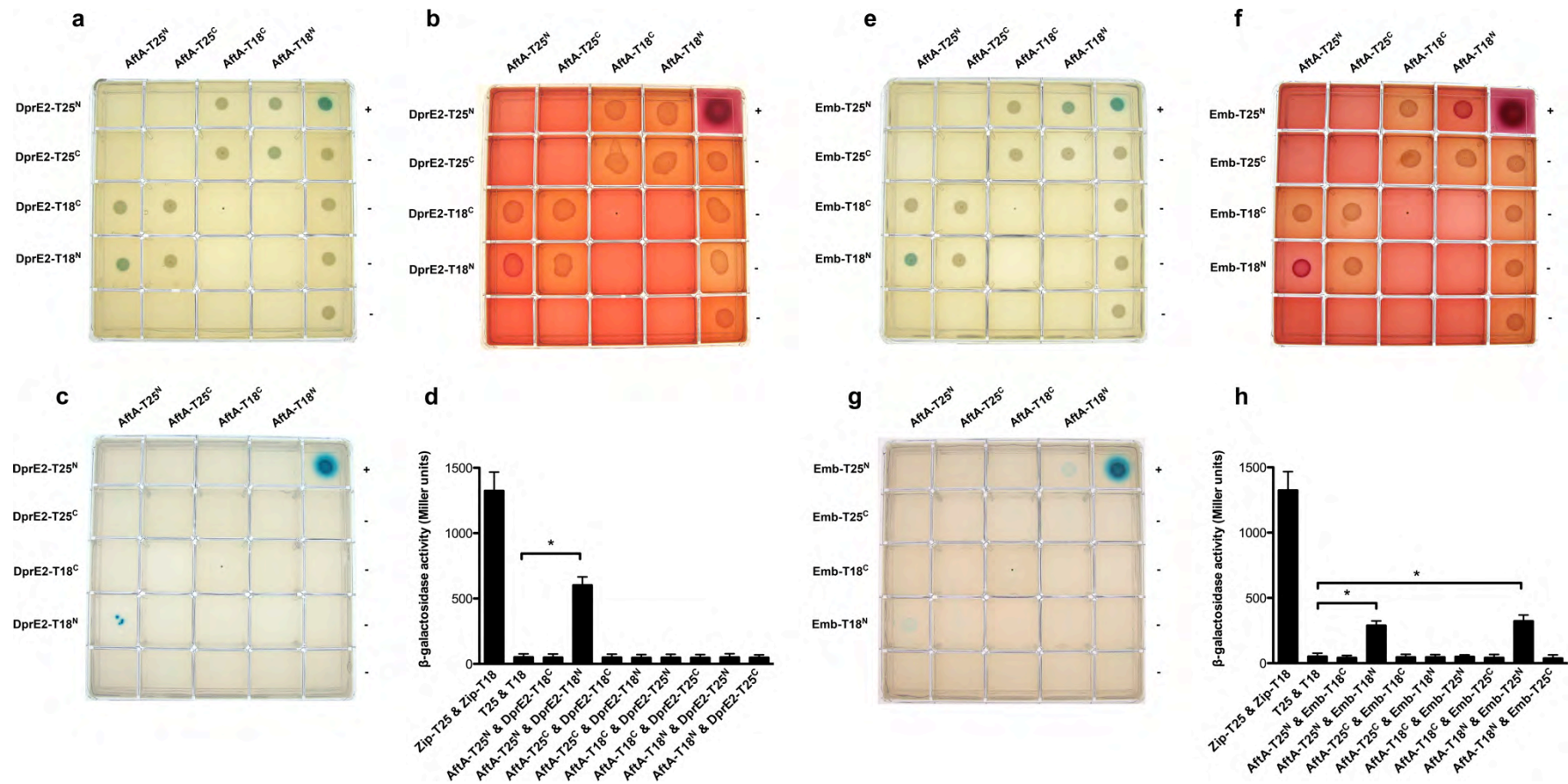


Fig. S9 BACTH analysis of interactions between AftA-DprE2 and AftA-Emb from *C. glutamicum*. The genes encoding full-length proteins were fused in frame with adenylate cyclase T25 or T18 fragments at N- or C-terminus and expressed in *E. coli cya*⁻ BTH101. Co-transformants containing two plasmids encoding putative interaction partners were spotted onto selective LB (**a**, **e**), MacConkey (**b**, **f**) and M63 (**c**, **g**) agar, as described in Materials and Methods. Protein-protein interactions are indicated by blue/red colonies through the reconstitution of adenylate cyclase catalytic domain. A strain co-expressing T25 and T18 fragments fused to leucine zipper domain was used as positive control (+), whereas empty pKT25-pUT18, pKT25-pUT18c, pKNT25-pUT18, and pKNT25-pUT18c were used as negative controls (-). **d**, **h** The efficiencies of functional complementation between hybrid proteins were quantified by measuring β-galactosidase activities in suspensions of toluene treated *E. coli* BTH101 harboring the corresponding plasmids. Results are expressed in Miller units and are the mean ± standard deviation of at least three independent experiments. Statistical significance was determined by Student's t-test ($p < 0.01$)

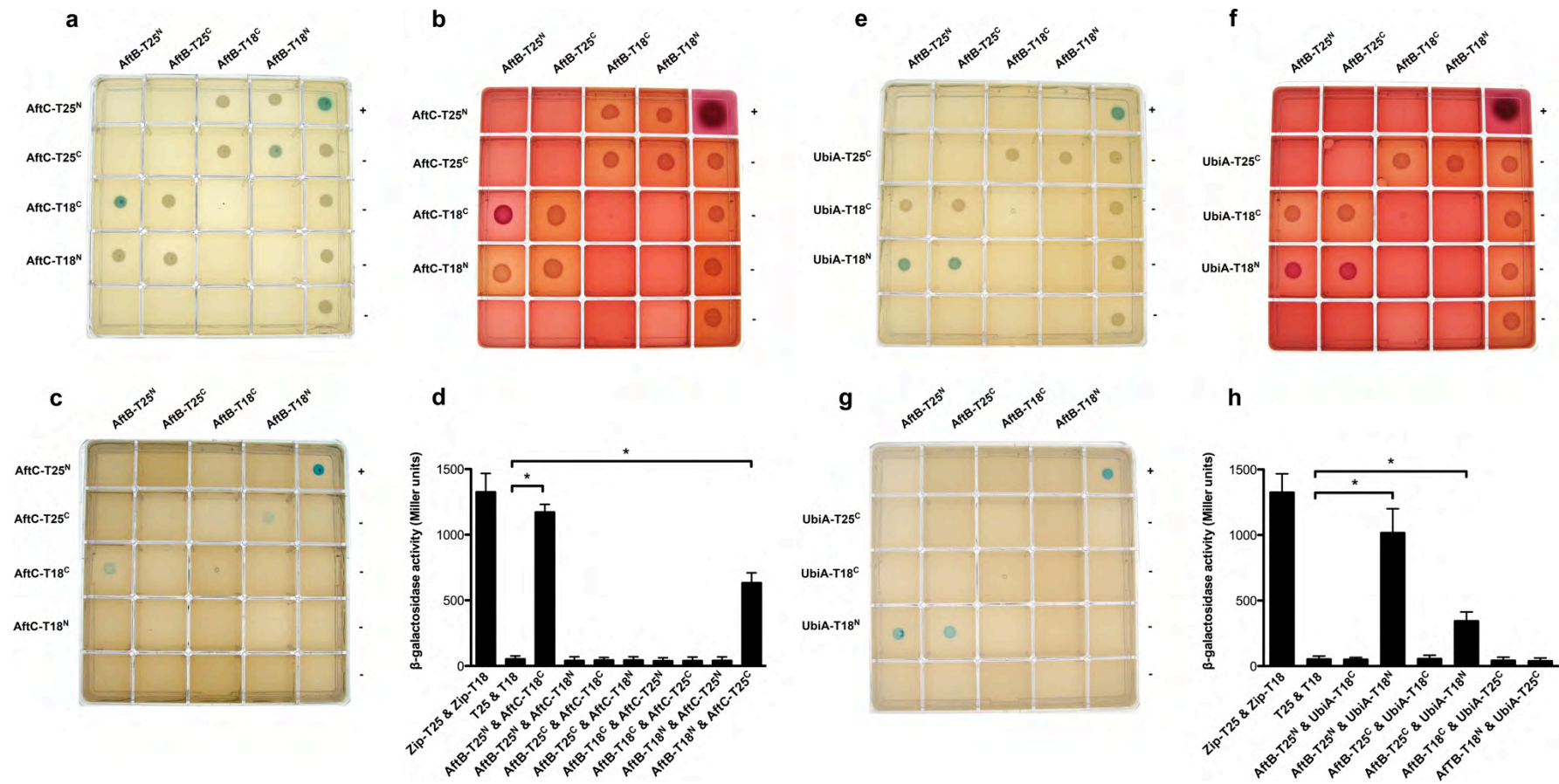


Fig. S10 BACTH analysis of interactions between AftB-AftC and AftB-UbiA from *C. glutamicum*. The genes encoding full-length proteins were fused in frame with adenylate cyclase T25 or T18 fragments at N- or C-terminus and expressed in *E. coli cya*⁻ BTH101. Co-transformants containing two plasmids encoding putative interaction partners were spotted onto selective LB (**a**, **e**), MacConkey (**b**, **f**) and M63 (**c**, **g**) agar, as described in Materials and Methods. Protein-protein interactions are indicated by blue/red colonies through the reconstitution of adenylate cyclase catalytic domain. A strain co-expressing T25 and T18 fragments fused to leucine zipper domain was used as positive control (+), whereas empty pKT25-pUT18, pKT25-pUT18c, pKNT25-pUT18, and pKNT25-pUT18c were used as negative controls (-). **d**, **h** The efficiencies of functional complementation between hybrid proteins were quantified by measuring β-galactosidase activities in suspensions of toluene treated *E. coli* BTH101 harboring the corresponding plasmids. Results are expressed in Miller units and are the mean ± standard deviation of at least three independent experiments. Statistical significance was determined by Student's t-test (p<0.01)

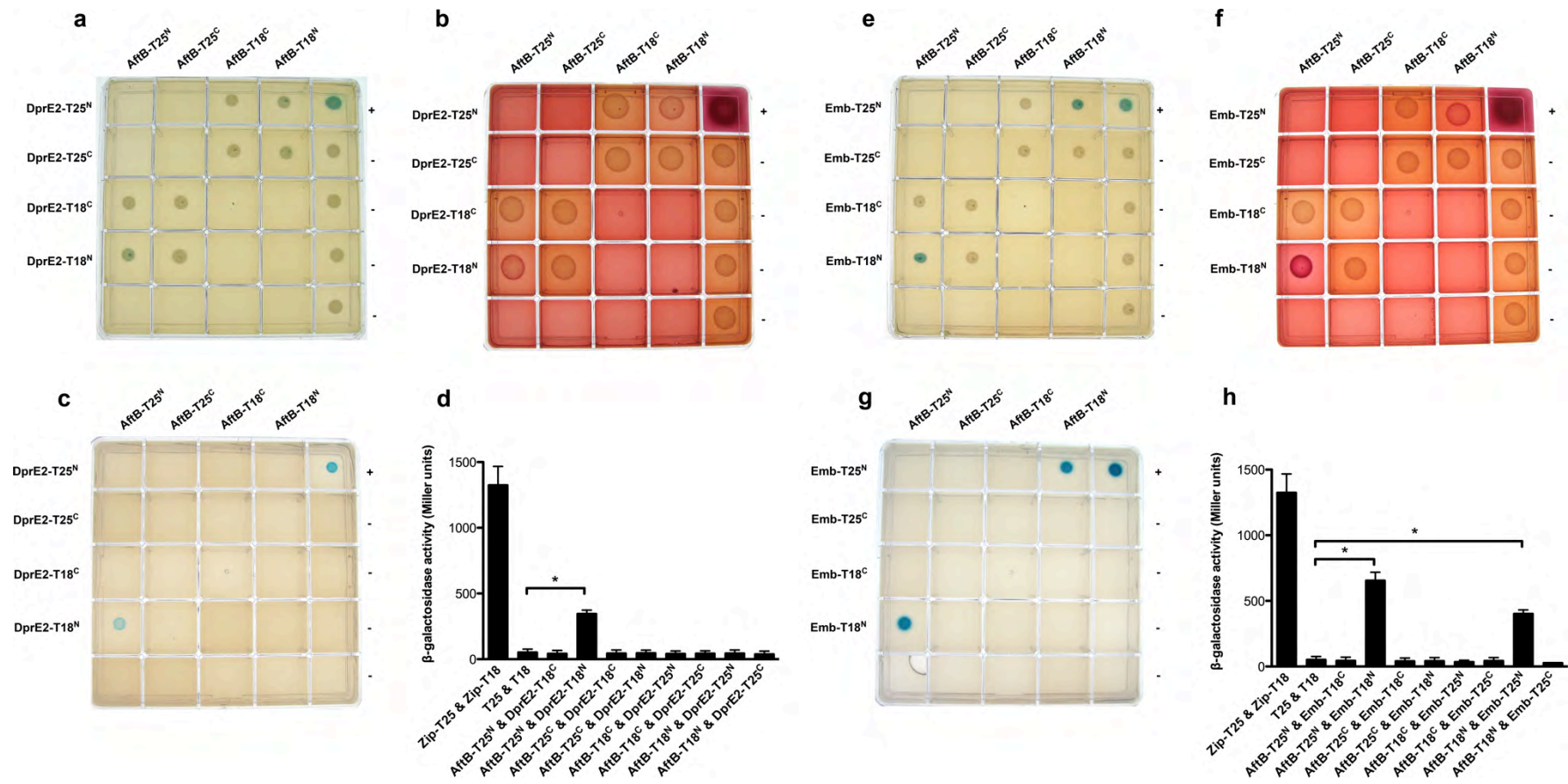


Fig. S11 BACTH analysis of interactions between AftB-DprE2 and AftB-Emb from *C. glutamicum*. The genes encoding full-length proteins were fused in frame with adenylate cyclase T25 or T18 fragments at N- or C-terminus and expressed in *E. coli cya*⁻ BTH101. Co-transformants containing two plasmids encoding putative interaction partners were spotted onto selective LB (**a**, **e**), MacConkey (**b**, **f**) and M63 (**c**, **g**) agar, as described in Materials and Methods. Protein-protein interactions are indicated by blue/red colonies through the reconstitution of adenylate cyclase catalytic domain. A strain co-expressing T25 and T18 fragments fused to leucine zipper domain was used as positive control (+), whereas empty pKT25-pUT18, pKT25-pUT18c, pKNT25-pUT18, and pKNT25-pUT18c were used as negative controls (-). **d**, **h** The efficiencies of functional complementation between hybrid proteins were quantified by measuring β-galactosidase activities in suspensions of toluene treated *E. coli* BTH101 harboring the corresponding plasmids. Results are expressed in Miller units and are the mean ± standard deviation of at least three independent experiments. Statistical significance was determined by Student's t-test ($p < 0.01$)

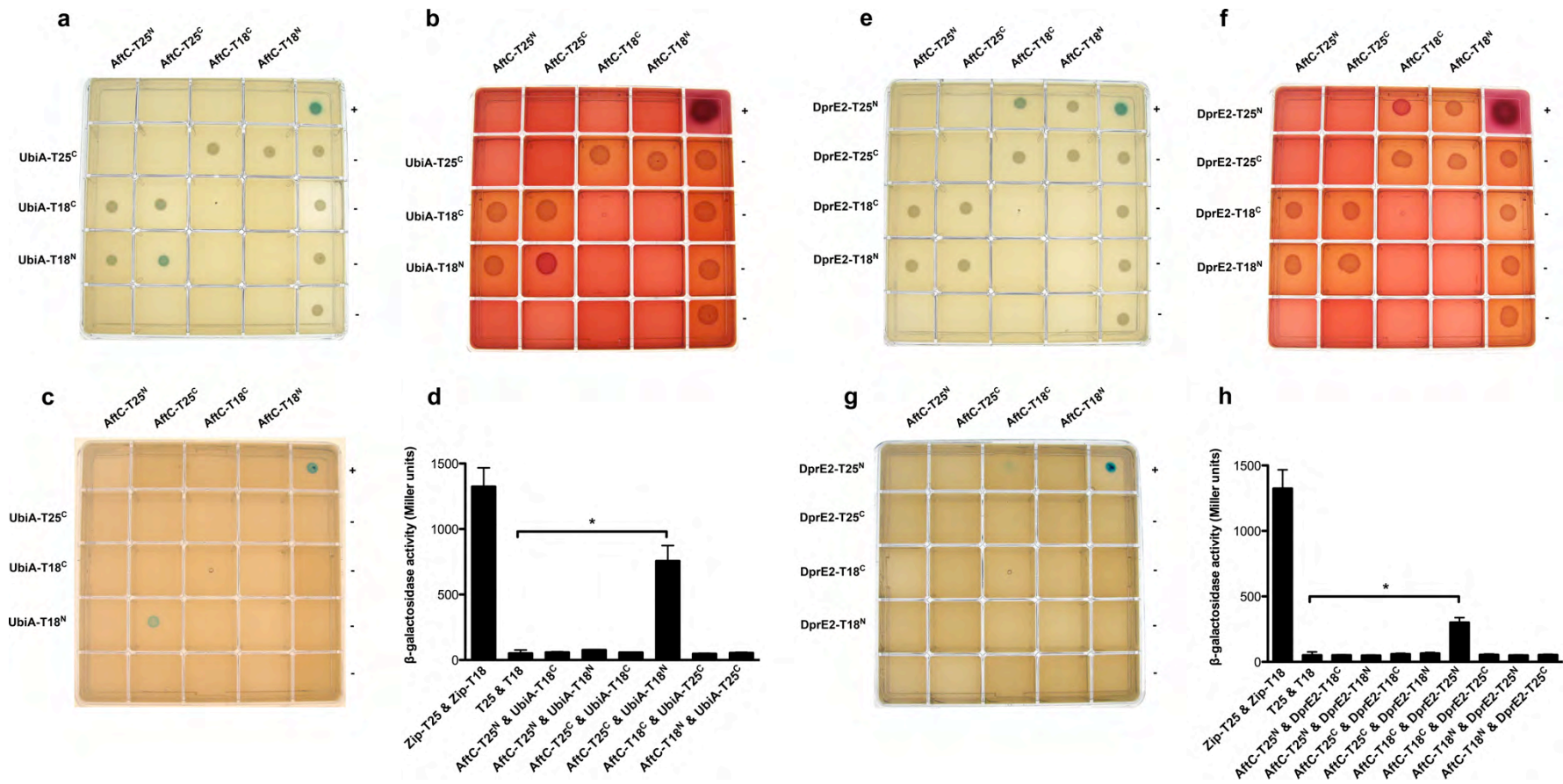


Fig. S12 BACTH analysis of interactions between AftC-UbiA and AftC-DprE2 from *C. glutamicum*. The genes encoding full-length proteins were fused in frame with adenylate cyclase T25 or T18 fragments at N- or C-terminus and expressed in *E. coli cya*⁻ BTH101. Co-transformants containing two plasmids encoding putative interaction partners were spotted onto selective LB (a, e), MacConkey (b, f) and M63 (c, g) agar, as described in Materials and Methods. Protein-protein interactions are indicated by blue/red colonies through the reconstitution of adenylate cyclase catalytic domain. A strain co-expressing T25 and T18 fragments fused to leucine zipper domain was used as positive control (+), whereas empty pKT25-pUT18, pKT25-pUT18c, pKNT25-pUT18, and pKNT25-pUT18c were used as negative controls (-). d, h The efficiencies of functional complementation between hybrid proteins were quantified by measuring β-galactosidase activities in suspensions of toluene treated *E. coli* BTH101 harboring the corresponding plasmids. Results are expressed in Miller units and are the mean ± standard deviation of at least three independent experiments. Statistical significance was determined by Student's t-test (p<0.01)

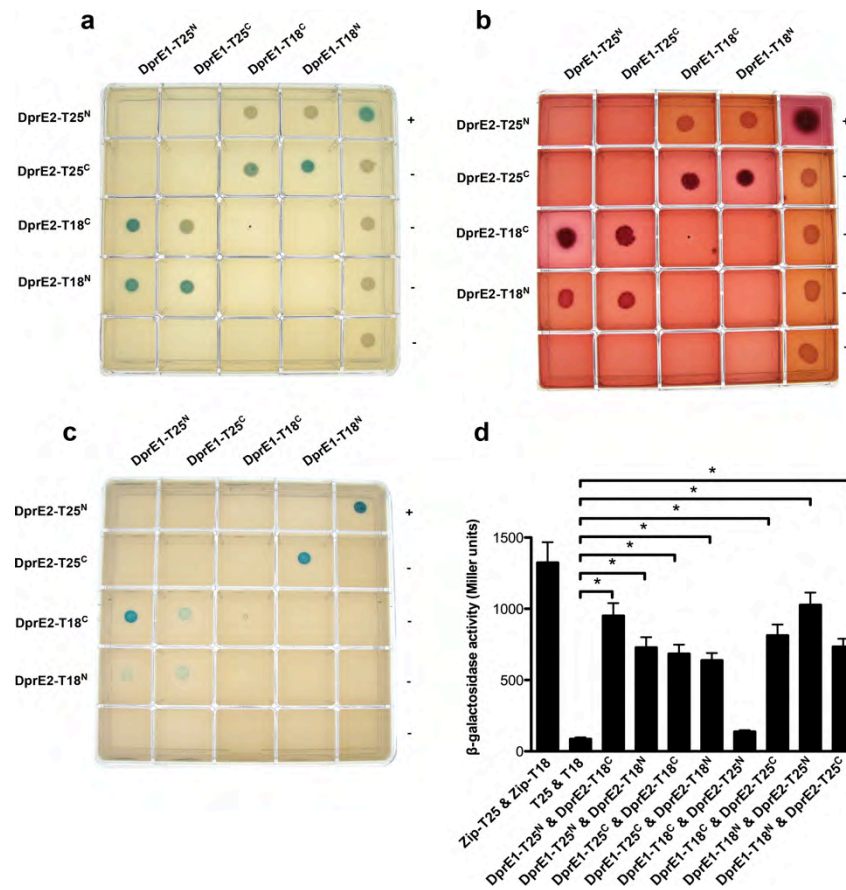


Fig. S13 BACTH analysis of interactions between DprE1-DprE2 from *C. glutamicum*. The genes encoding full-length proteins were fused in frame with adenylate cyclase T25 or T18 fragments at N- or C-terminus and expressed in *E. coli cya⁻* BTH101. Co-transformants containing two plasmids encoding putative interaction partners were spotted onto selective LB (**a**, **e**), MacConkey (**b**, **f**) and M63 (**c**, **g**) agar, as described in Materials and Methods. Protein-protein interactions are indicated by blue/red colonies through the reconstitution of adenylate cyclase catalytic domain. A strain co-expressing T25 and T18 fragments fused to leucine zipper domain was used as positive control (+), whereas empty pKT25-pUT18, pKT25-pUT18c, pKNT25-pUT18, and pKNT25-pUT18c were used as negative controls (-). **d**, **h** The efficiencies of functional complementation between hybrid proteins were quantified by measuring β-galactosidase activities in suspensions of toluene treated *E. coli* BTH101 harboring the corresponding plasmids. Results are expressed in Miller units and are the mean ± standard deviation of at least three independent experiments. Statistical significance was determined by Student's t-test ($p < 0.01$)