

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

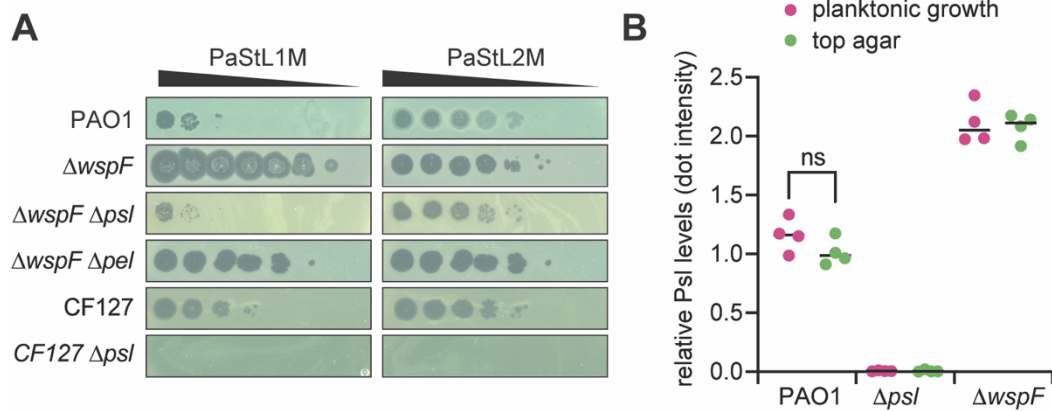


Fig S1. Phages display different abilities to form plaques on different bacterial strains. (A) Phage plaques of two phage stocks, PaStL1M and PaStL2M, on a panel of PAO1 and CF127 bacterial strains. Serial dilutions of the indicated phage stocks were spotted on plates made with the indicated bacterial strain. (B) Psl immunoblots indicate that levels of cell-associated Psl are similar during planktonic and top agar growth.

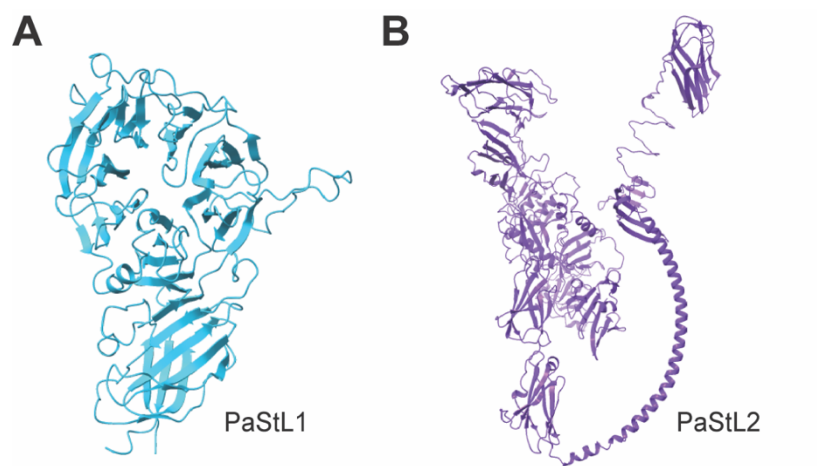


Fig S2. AlphaFold predicted structures of putative depolymerases from (A) PaStL1 and (B) PaStL2.

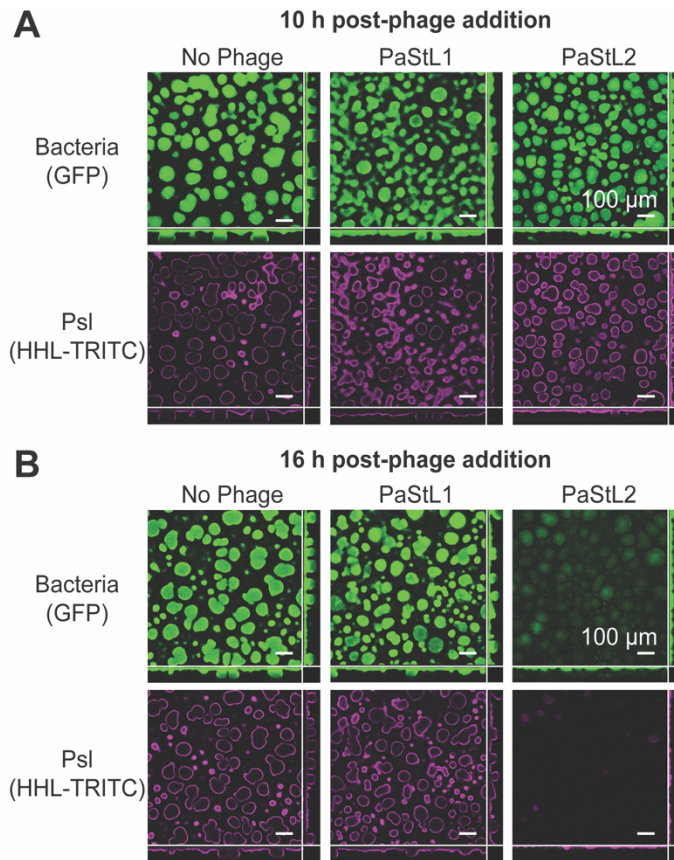


Fig S3. PaStL2 clears mature flow cell biofilms. Phages were added to mature flow cell biofilms of PAO1 $\Delta wspF$ GFP⁺, and (A) 10 h or (B) 16 h post-phage addition, confocal microscopy images of the biofilms were collected to determine whether the phages cleared the biofilms. Fluorescence due to GFP (bacteria) is shown in green, and HHL-TRITC (Psl) is shown in magenta. Typical images for each time point are shown.

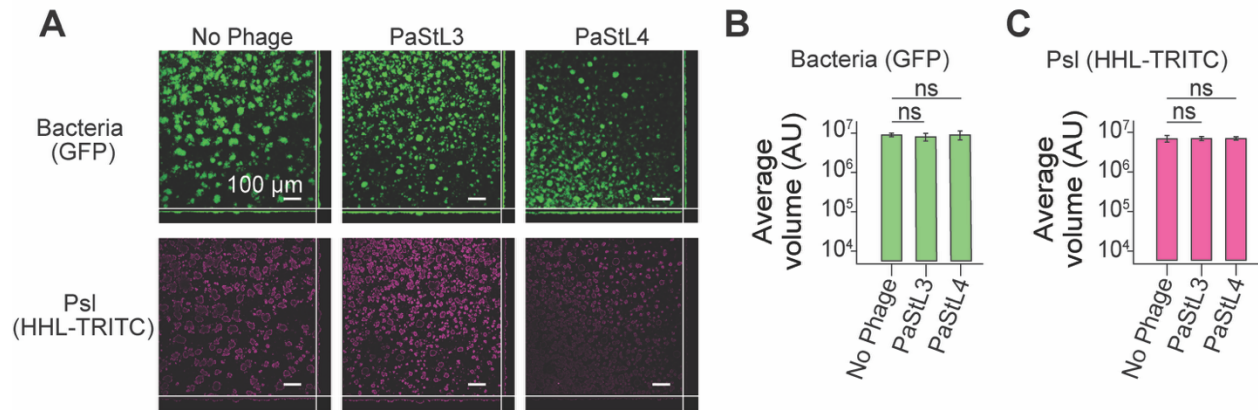


Fig S4. Neither PaStL3 nor PaStL4 clears flow cell biofilms. Phages were added to mature flow cell biofilms of PAO1 $\Delta wspF$ GFP⁺, and 26 h post-phage addition, confocal microscopy images of the biofilms were collected to determine whether the phages cleared the biofilms. Fluorescence due to GFP (bacteria) is shown in green, and HHL-TRITC (Psl) is shown in magenta. Typical images for each time point are shown. The volumes of bacteria (**B**) and Psl (**C**) in the flow cells 26 h post-phage addition were determined using BiofilmQ and compared to the volumes in the no-phage control. Data represent the means of results from 3 biological replicates (3 flow cells with 6 images collected per flow cell), and error bars represent standard deviation. Student's *t*-test; $P < 0.005$, ns, not statistically significant.

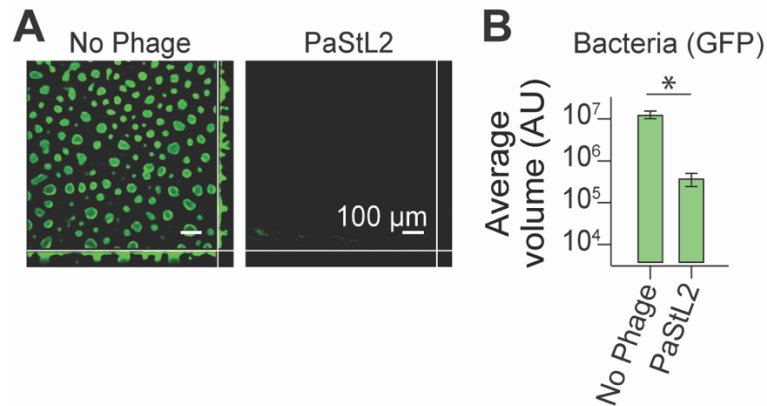


Fig S5. PaStL2 also clears wild-type PAO1 flow cell biofilms. (A) Phages were added to mature flow cell biofilms of PAO1 GFP⁺, and confocal microscopy images of the biofilms were collected 26 h after the addition of phage. Fluorescence due to GFP (bacteria) is shown in green. Typical images are shown. (B) The volume of bacteria in the flow cells 26 h post-phage addition was determined using BiofilmQ and compared to the volume of bacteria in the no-phage control. Data represent the means of results from 3 biological replicates (3 flow cells with 6 images collected per flow cell), and error bars represent standard deviation. Welch's *t*-test; $P < 0.005$.

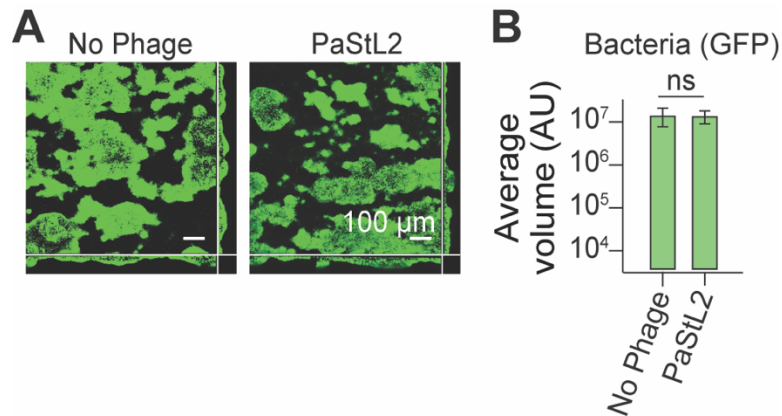


Fig S6. PaStL2 does not clear PAO1 $\Delta wspF \Delta psI$ flow cell biofilms. (A) Phages were added to mature flow cell biofilms of PAO1 $\Delta wspF \Delta psI$ GFP⁺, and confocal microscopy images of the biofilms were collected 26 h. Fluorescence due to GFP (bacteria) is shown in green. Typical images are shown. (B) The volume of bacteria in the flow cells 26 h post-phage addition was determined using BiofilmQ and compared to the volume of bacteria in the no-phage control. Data represent the means of results from 3 biological replicates (3 flow cells with 6 images collected per flow cell), and error bars represent standard deviation. Welch's *t*-test; $P < 0.005$, ns, not statistically significant.

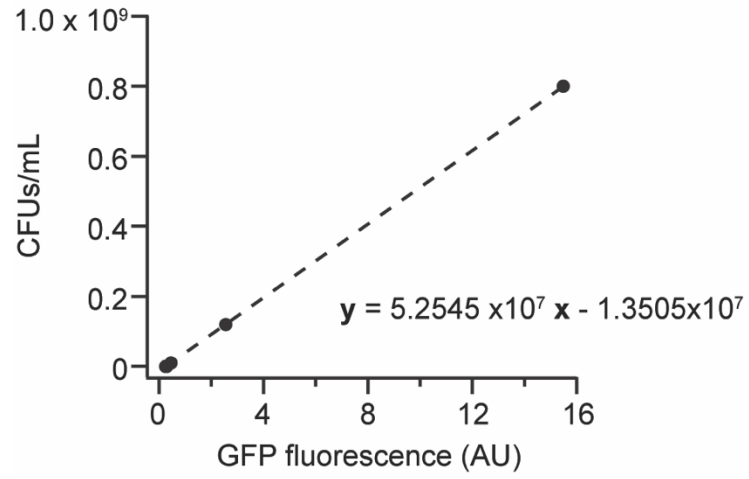


Fig S7. Standard curve of CFUs/mL to GFP fluorescence of planktonic PAO1 $\Delta wspF$ GFP⁺ bacteria.

Table S1. Strains used in this study

<i>P. aeruginosa</i> strains		Reference
PAO1	Wild type	Holloway, 1955
PAO1 $\Delta wspF$	<i>wspF</i> , nonpolar mutation	Borlee, 2010
PAO1 $\Delta wspF \Delta psI$	<i>wspF</i> , nonpolar mutation; <i>psI/BCD</i> polar mutant of <i>psI</i> operon	Jennings, 2015
PAO1 $\Delta wspF \Delta pel$	<i>wspF</i> , nonpolar mutation; <i>pelA</i> , polar mutant of the <i>pel</i> operon	Jennings, 2015
PAO1 $\Delta wspF \Delta psI \Delta pel$	<i>wspF</i> , nonpolar mutation; <i>psI/BCD</i> polar mutant of <i>psI</i> operon; <i>pelA</i> , polar mutant of the <i>pel</i> operon	Colvin, 2013
CF127	Cystic fibrosis isolate	Wolfgang, 2003
CF127 ΔpsI	<i>psI/D</i> , non-polar mutant of the <i>psI</i> operon	Colvin, 2011
PAO1 $\Delta wspF \Delta pel$ pBAD <i>psI</i>	Arabinose-inducible <i>psI</i> operon	Jennings, 2015

Table S2. Additional mutations in $\Delta wspF$ -*PaStL2E-f*

Additional mutations that were identified in one of the escape mutants, present in >60% of reads

Protein	locus tag	AA change	Protein Effect
<i>tssK1</i>	PA0079	A278S; L388F	substitution
<i>CynX/NimT</i> family			
<i>MFS</i> transporter	PA0273	G147C	substitution
<i>batD</i> family protein	PA3075	A396E	substitution
hypothetical protein	PA3684	S67I	substitution
<i>wspR</i>	PA3702		frameshift
		D150E;	
<i>pchG</i>	PA4224	G137C	substitution
<i>ureF</i>	PA4892	A136S	substitution
<i>dguA</i>	PA5084	G376V	substitution

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