

Supplementary information

for " Host transcriptional signatures associated with disease tolerance and environmental persistence in a mosquito–microsporidian system" by Luís M. Silva.

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Supplementary Table 1. Number of genes detected per sample. The number of known *Anopheles gambiae* genes per parasite lineage and biological replicate (four independent pools of ten females each) is listed below.

Treatment	Lineage	Biological replicate	Sample name	Number of known genes detected
Uninfected	-	1	U11	9303
	-	2	U12	9304
	-	3	U13	9146
	-	4	U14	9328
Infected with reference parasite (unselected)	-	1	R11	8973
	-	2	R12	8547
	-	3	R13	8600
	-	4	R14	8801
Infected with parasites selected for early-transmission	1	1	E11	9433
	1	2	E12	9043
	1	3	E13	8859
	1	4	E14	8847
	2	1	E21	9113
	2	2	E22	8557
	2	3	E23	9017
	2	4	E24	9282
	3	1	E31	9122
	3	2	E32	8984
	3	3	E33	9020
	3	4	E34	8901
	4	1	E41	8799
	4	2	E42	8982
	4	3	E43	7962
	4	4	E44	9070
	5	1	E51	8807
	5	2	E52	8951
	5	3	E53	8851
	5	4	E54	8784
Infected with parasites selected for late-transmission	1	1	L11	9171
	1	2	L12	9094
	1	3	L13	8958
	1	4	L14	9107
	2	1	L21	9083
	2	2	L22	9356
	2	3	L23	9123
	2	4	L24	8929
	3	1	L31	8922
	3	2	L32	9038
	3	3	L33	9193
	3	4	L34	9161
	4	1	L41	8716
	4	2	L42	8855
	4	3	L43	8462
	4	4	L44	7629
	5	1	L51	9386
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	5	4	L54	9136

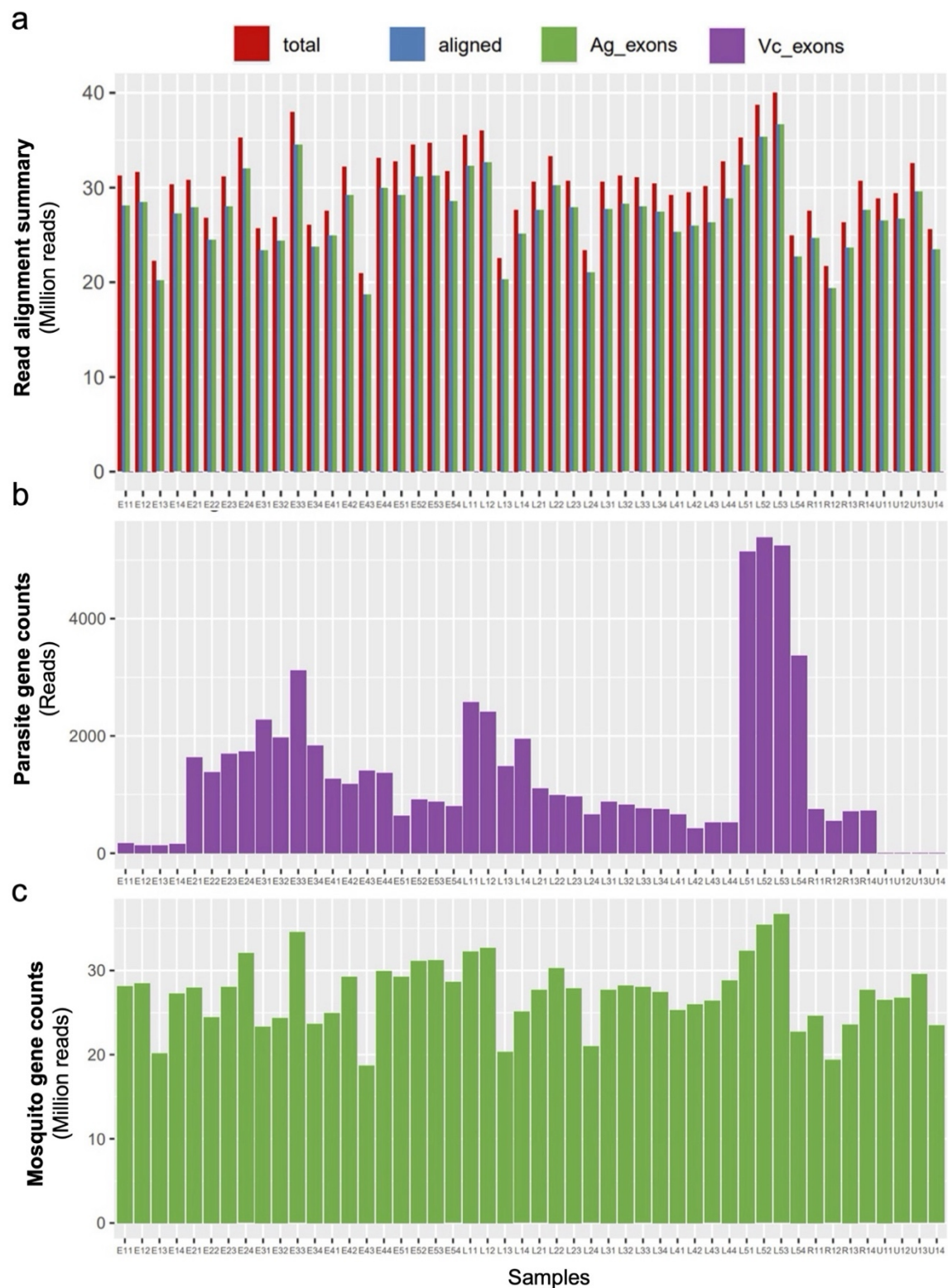
Supplementary Table 2. Principal component analysis (PCA) of the host response to the *reference* infection compared to *uninfected* hosts. PCA variance for the analysis shown in Figure 2a (underlined values). Shown are the eigenvalues, proportion of variance, and cumulative variance explained by the first principal components describing variation in gene expression between *Anopheles gambiae* infected with *reference* *Vavraia culicis* or not (*uninfected*). These axes were used to summarise the core transcriptional response to infection that underlies subsequent comparisons with parasites evolved for *early*- or *late*-transmission.

	Eigenvalue	Proportion of variance	Cumulative variance
PC1	<u>2.50 x 10³</u>	<u>0.336</u>	<u>0.336</u>
PC2	<u>1.20 x 10³</u>	<u>0.161</u>	<u>0.498</u>
PC3	1.03 x 10 ³	0.139	0.637
PC4	8.25 x 10 ²	0.111	0.747
PC5	7.37 x 10 ²	0.090	0.846

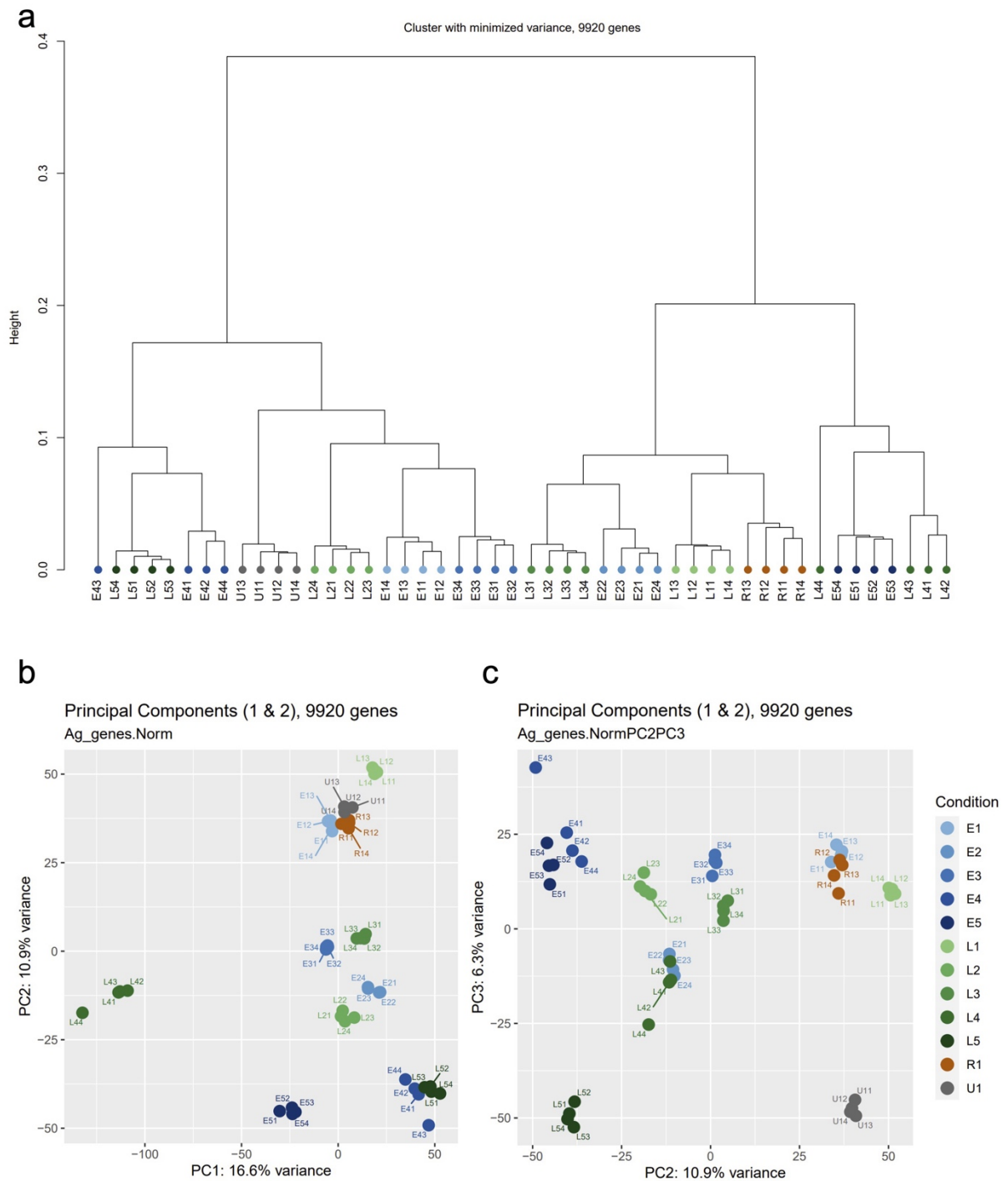
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	Eigenvalue	Proportion of variance	Cumulative variance
PC1	<u>1387.51</u>	<u>0.186</u>	<u>0.186</u>
PC2	<u>835.98</u>	<u>0.112</u>	<u>0.299</u>
PC3	387.21	0.052	0.351
PC4	371.36	0.050	0.401
PC5	343.87	0.046	0.447

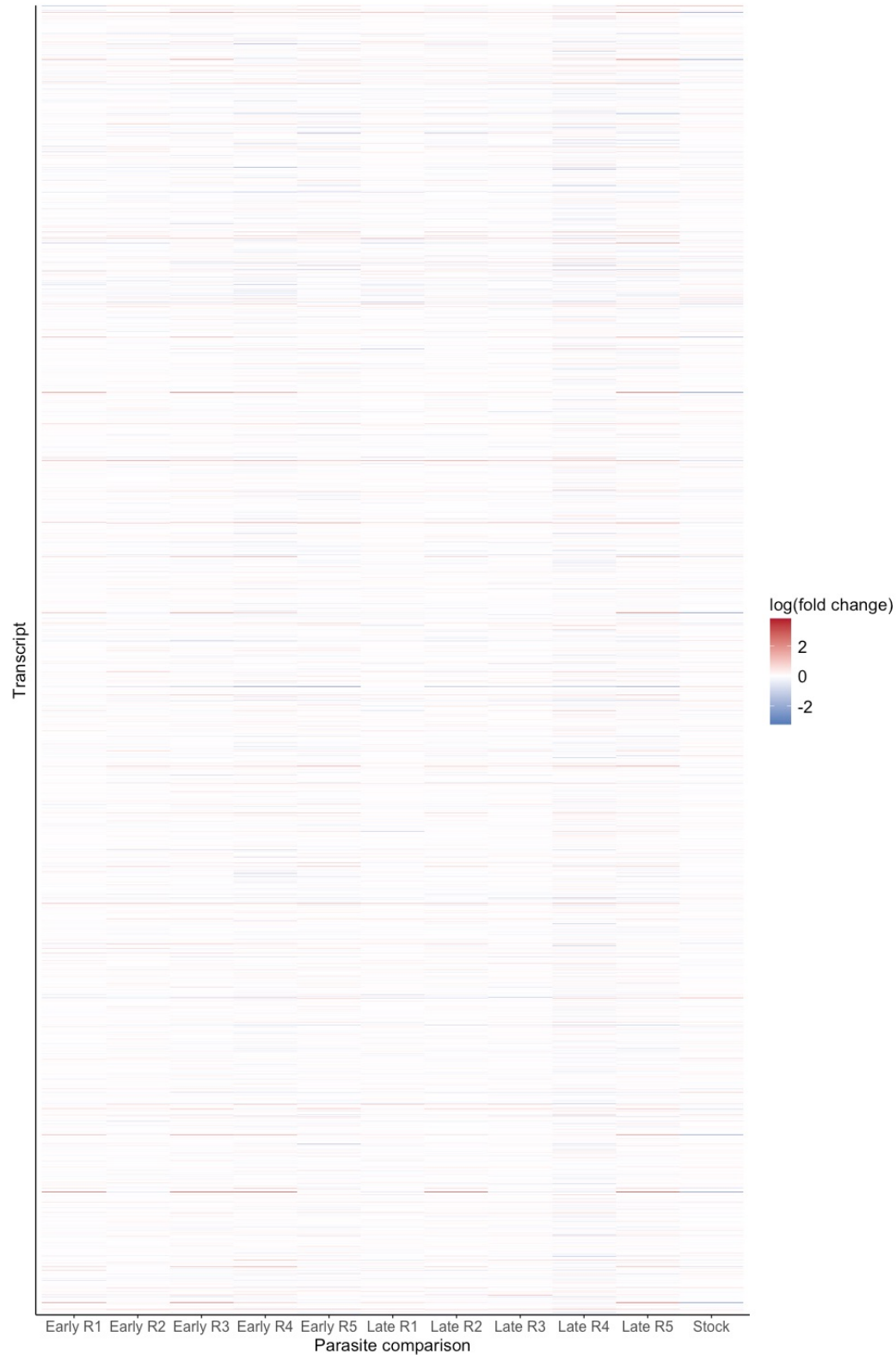
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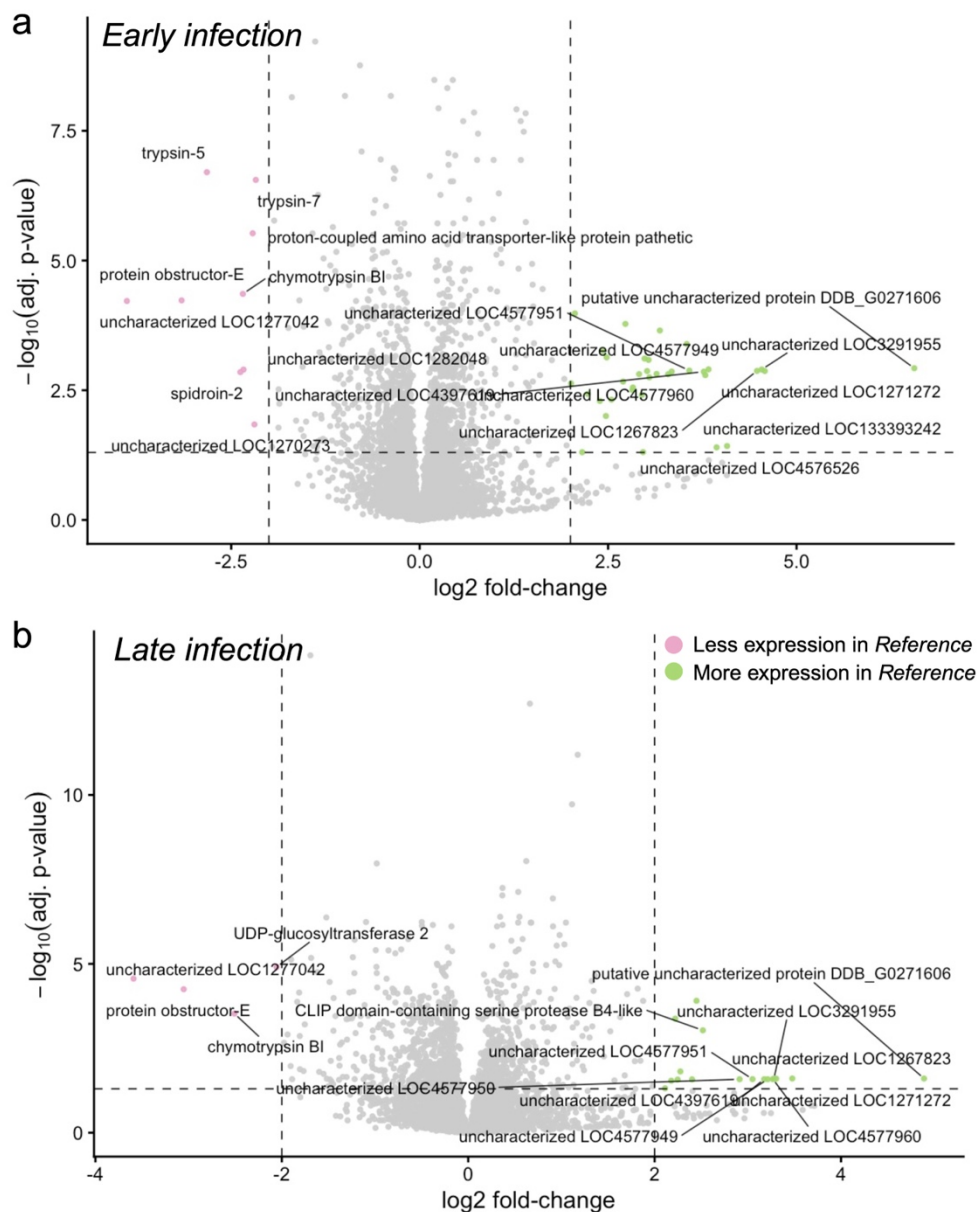
Supplementary Figure 1. Host RNA-sequencing and parasite gene counts. (a) Barplot showing the number of total reads, the number of aligned reads, and how many of which are *Anopheles gambiae* or *Vavraia culicis* exons. (b) Number of *V. culicis* reads found in each of the samples. (c) Number of *A. gambiae* reads found in each sample.



Supplementary Figure 2. Quality control clustering and PCAs. Statistical quality controls were performed through density gene expression distribution, clustering, and sample PCA. **(a)** Clustering and **(b)** PCA show that replicates group together as expected, with two exceptions for samples E43 and L44. **(c)** Since the first two principal components in the PCA explain only 30% of the variability, a PCA including PC2 and PC3 (an additional 6% of the variability) was considered. The latter does not indicate a clustering of *uninfected* and *unselected reference* infections.



Supplementary Figure 3. Heatmap of the log-fold change for all transcripts across all biological replicates. Heatmap showing the log-transformed fold-change in the expression of all detected transcripts (*i.e.*, 9920) by parasite treatment comparison. All host samples were compared with the host samples in response to the unselected *reference/stock* parasite, except for themselves, which were compared with the *uninfected* host transcriptome.



Supplementary Figure 4. Differential expression in *early*- and *late*-infections relative to the *reference* infection. (a) Volcano plot of log₂ fold-change vs. $-\log_{10}(\text{adjusted } p\text{-value})$ for *early* vs. *reference* infections. (b) Volcano plot for *late* vs. *reference* infections. Dashed vertical lines indicate the $|\log_2 \text{fold-change}|$ threshold (≥ 2), and the horizontal dashed line marks the FDR cutoff (adj. $p < 0.05$). Points in pink and green denote genes with significantly lower or higher expression, respectively, in the *reference* infection compared with the evolved infection; grey points are non-differentially expressed genes. Selected labelled genes highlight those with the largest and most significant changes.