ASSOCIATED CONTENT

SUPPORTING INFORMATION FOR

Substrate hydrophobicity and cell composition influence the extent of rate limitation and masking of isotope fractionation during microbial reductive dehalogenation of chlorinated ethenes

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Figure S5: Effect of the <u>outer-membrane</u> properties on isotope masking. Carbon isotope fractionation of PCE (left) or TCE (right) during dehalogenation with resting cells of *S. multivorans* grown with either pyruvate/fumarate (Pyr/Fum), pyruvate/PCE (Pyr/PCE) or formiate/PCE (Form/PCE) as electron donor/acceptor couples.

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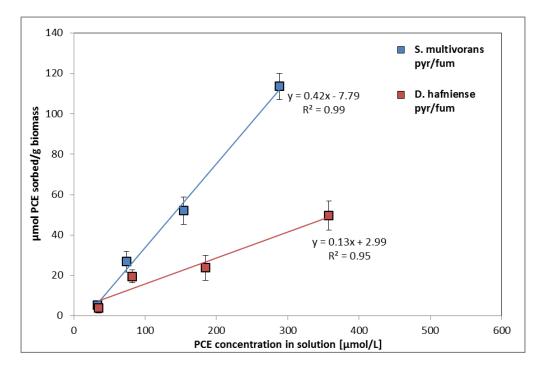


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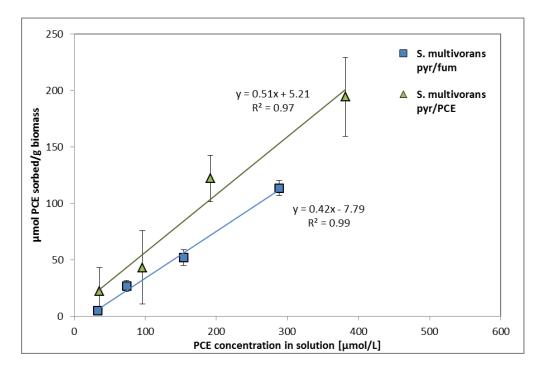


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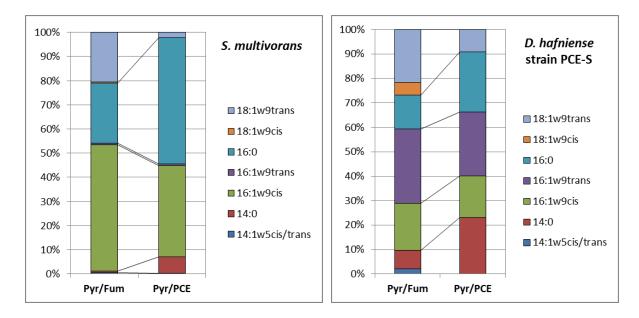


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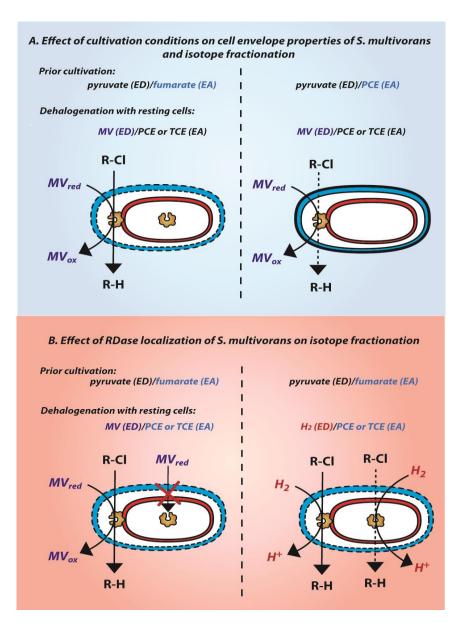


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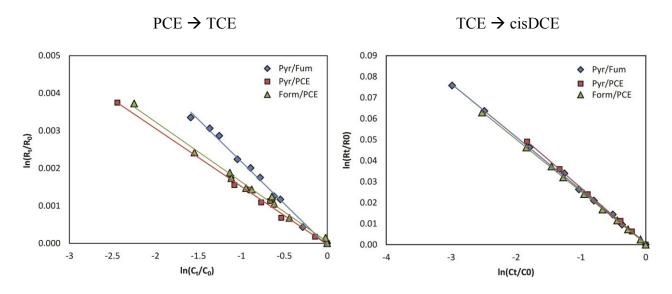


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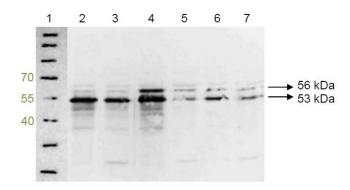


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