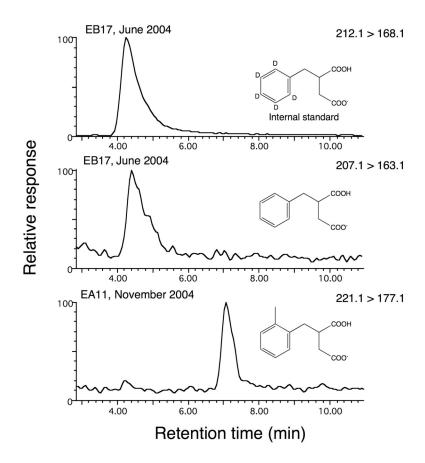
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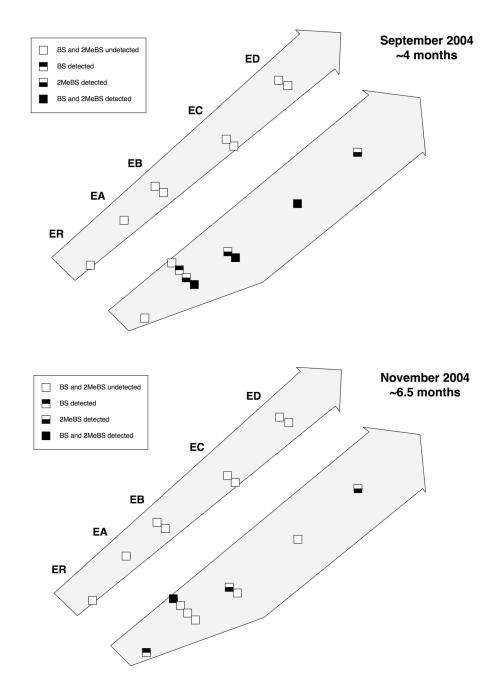
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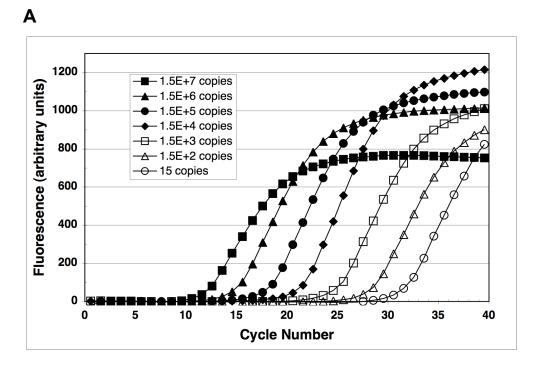
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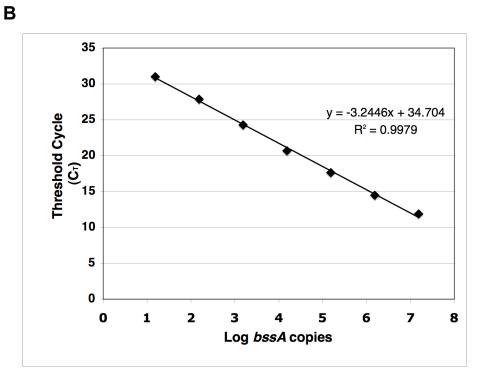


**Figure S1.** Mass chromatograms for LC/MS/MS (selected reaction monitoring) analysis of the internal standard BS- $d_5$  (m/z 212  $\rightarrow$  168 transition) (top), BS (m/z 207  $\rightarrow$  163 transition) (middle), and 2MeBS (m/z 221  $\rightarrow$  177 transition) (bottom). As shown, BS and the deuterium-labeled internal standard have the same retention time.



**Figure S2.** Signature metabolite [benzylsuccinate, or BS, and (2-methylbenzyl)succinate, or 2MeBS] detections at two sampling times: ~4 months after the controlled release began (upper), and ~6.5 months after the controlled release began (lower).





**Figure S3.** Example of a calibration curve for bssA (using genomic DNA from strain PRTOL1, a SRB). (A) Fluorescence vs. PCR cycle number for seven bssA standard concentrations. A line denotes the threshold level; the threshold cycle ( $C_T$ ) is defined as the PCR cycle at which fluorescence exceeds the threshold level. (B) Threshold cycle vs. log bssA copies for the data presented in panel A.