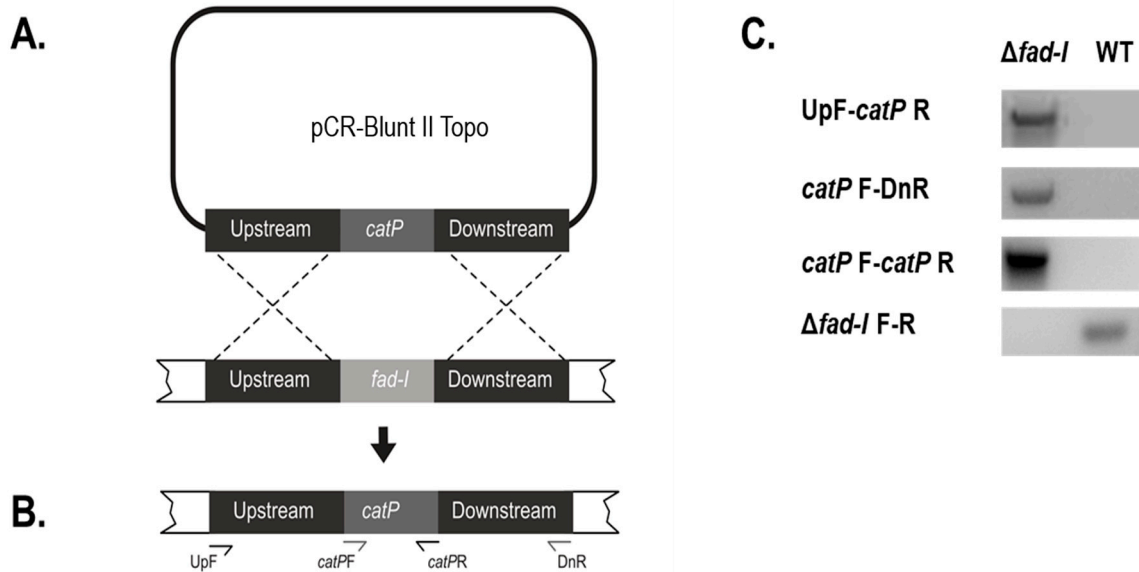
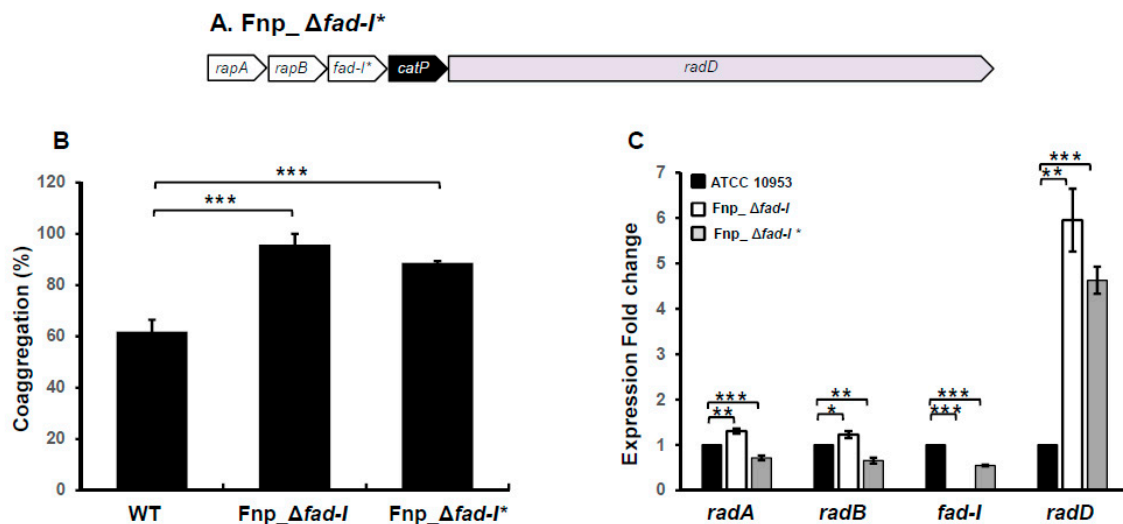


Supplementary Table 1: List of primers used in the study for inactivation of the “*radD*” operon genes

Strain	Primer	Sequence (5' to 3')
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	FnpA_upR	ATCGATCCCCGCCGAGCGAAACTCACCTCCTTTAATTTCAATAAAAATATATAGTATAA
	FnpA_catPF	GAAATTAAGGAGAGAGGTGAGTTTCGCTCGGCCGGGGATCGAT
	FnpA_catPR	CTTTTATTTTCATTTTCCCCCTCATTATTAATCAATTCTGCAATTTCG
	FnpA_DnF	CGAATTGCAGGAATTGATAAATAGTTAATAATGAGGGGGAAAAATGAAAATAAAAAGAAAT
	FnpA_DnR	TTATTTCTGTTCTTAATGGCACTTGTATTGC
Fnp_ΔrapB	FnpB_upF	CTATGATGCAATATAAGTTCTCCTTTAATAACCTTAAATATAC
	FnpB_upR	ATCGATCCCCGCCGAGCGTTTTCCCCCTCACTATCTTATTTTTTGAATTTTC
	FnpB_catPF	TAAGATAGTGAGGGGGAAAAACGCTCGGCCGGGGATCGAT
	FnpB_catPR	CTTTTCAAAAATTTTCCCCCTCCCTTTATTAATACTATTTATCAATTCTGCAATTTCG
	FnpB_DnF	CGAATTGCAGGAATTGATAAATAGTTAATAAAGGGAGGGGAAAAATTTTGAAAAAG
	FnpB_DnR	GGTGTACCCTTGGTGCTTCTATTATCTTTTG
Fnp_Δfad-I*	FnpC*_F	GGAGGGGAAAAATTAATAAAAAGATATTACTACTATTATTATC
	FnpC*_R	CTTTATTTTTCTTCTGTAATATTTTTTAAAGCTTCTTCAACTTG
Fnp_WT_CIC	FnpCIC_upF	GCAGAATATGAAGATCTAGTAAAAGAAGAAGAAGC
	FnpCIC_upR	TTATTTTATTCTGCATTATTTAATCTTCTAATTTTTG
	FnpCIC_catPF	CGCTCGGCCGGGGATCGAT
	FnpCIC_catPR	TTAACTATTTATCAATTCTGCAATTTCG
	FnpCIC_DnF	TAAGAGGGGGGAAAAATATGAAAGACT
	FnpCIC_DnR	AATTGAGATATCAATCCATTATTTCCAGTTAC
Fnn_Δfad-IradD*	FnnCD*_upF	GGCGCTGGTACCCTAATAATTTTATATTTTCGAGAGACAAAAGCATT
	FnnCD*_upR	ATCGATCCCCGCCGAGCGCAAATTTTTTCCCTCCCTTTATTTTTCT
	FnnCD*_catPF	AGAAAAATAAAGGGAGGGGAAAAAATTTGCGCTCGGCCGGGGATCGAT
	FnnCD*_catPR	ACTTTATTATAGTCTTCATATTTTCCCCCTCTATTAATACTATTATCAATTCTGCAATTTCG
	FnnCD*_DnF	CGAATTGCAGGAATTGATAAATAGTTAATAAGAGGGGGAAAAATATGAAGACTATAATAAAGT
	FnnCD*_DnR	GGCCGAGCTCGAGTGGTGTAACCTGCTGGGTAGCA
Fnn_ΔrapA	FnnA_upF	GAGAAAATAAAATTGAAATA
	FnnA_upR	ATCCCCGCCGAGCGAAATATTCCAATAGATAATAAAAACAAATAATGTTAAAATAACTTT
	FnnA_catPF	GTTTTATTATCTATTGGAATATTTTCGCTCGGCCGGGGATCG
	FnnA_catPR	TTAACTATTTATCAATTCTGCA
	FnnA_DnF	GGAATTGATAAATAGTTAATGAGGGGGAAAAATGAAAATAAAAAGAAAT
	FnnA_DnR	CTTGCTTTATTTCTGTTCTTAATGGCACTTG
Fnn_ΔrapB	FnnB_upF	CTGTTGCTATTGATATTGGTTTCCCAGC
	FnnB_upR	CGATCCCCGCCGAGCGTTTTCCCCCTCACTATCTTATTTTTTGAATT
	FnnB_catPF	AATTCAAAAATAAGATAGTGAGGGGGAAAAACGCTCGGCCGGGGATCG
	FnnB_catPR	CAAATTTTTTCCCTCCCTTAACTATTTATCAATTCTGCAATTCTGTTAC
	FnnB_DnF	GAATTGATAAATAGTTAAGGGAGGGGAAAAAATTTGAAAAAATATTATTAC
	FnnB_DnR	CTGTTTTTCAATTATTGTTTTTCAATTACTGC



Supplementary Figure S1: Analysis of the $\Delta fad-I$ mutant strain. (A) Diagram depicting the allelic exchange mutagenesis using pCR-Blunt II Topo with the construct for inactivation of *fad-I*. This plasmid was used for transformation in *F. nucleatum ssp nucleatum* 23726 to generate the Fnn_Δ*fad-I* mutant (B) Schematic representation of the Δ*fad-I* mutant after transformation. The arrows indicate the location of the primers used for PCR amplification. (C) Confirmation of the Δ*fad-I* mutant using various internal primers of the construct. The internal primers of the construct amplified fragments of the expected size in the mutant strain but not in the wild-type control. The absence of the *fad-I* gene was further confirmed by its absence in the Δ*fad-I* mutant and presence in the wild type control.



Supplementary Figure S2: Characterization of the *fad-I* translation start site mutant in *F. nucleatum ssp polymorphum* ATCC 10953 (A) Schematic representation of Fnn_Δ*fad-I** (B) coaggregation of Fnn_Δ*fad-I** with *S. gordonii* is represented as mean of percentage coaggregation along with WT and Fnn_Δ*fad-I* (C) expression fold-change of *rapA*, *rapB*, *fad-I* and *radD* in Fnn_Δ*fad-I** and Fnn_Δ*fad-I* compared to the wild type.