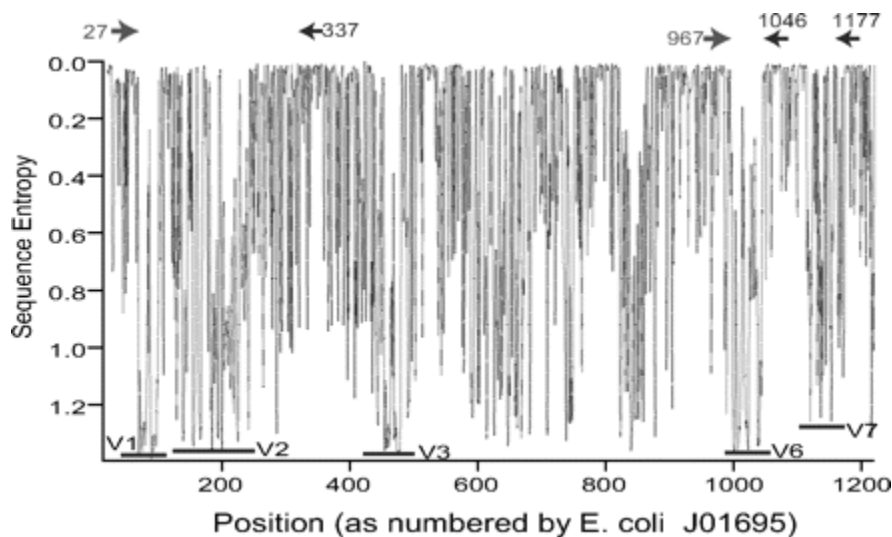


Primers used in initial 16S rRNA gene experiments^a

Primer	Sequence	Source or reference
27F	gcctccctcgcgccatcagMGAGTTTGATCCTGGCTCAG	15
337R	gccttgccagcccgcctcagGCTGCCTCCCGTAGGAGT	Fig. 1
967F	gcctccctcgcgccatcagCAACGCGAAGAACCTTACC	25
1046R	gccttgccagcccgcctcagCGACAGCCATGCANCACCT	
967F	gcctccctcgcgccatcagCAACGCGAAGAACCTTACC	25
1177R	gccttgccagcccgcctcagCGTCATCCCCACCTTCCT	Fig. 1

^a The lowercase sequence represents the 454A and 454B primers while the uppercase sequence represents conserved regions of the 16S rRNA gene.

Fig. 1



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