

### Microbes With Reduced Adhesion Characteristics

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### The Invention

This invention from UW Madison researchers presents recombinant microorganisms and methods of using same. The recombinant microorganisms include one or more modifications that reduce the expression and/or activity of a sortase, a sortase-dependent protein, a fibronectin-binding protein, an autolysin, a surface-layer protein, an aggregation-promoting factor, and/or a collagen-binding protein. The modifications can reduce the adhesion characteristics with respect to the non-modified microbes. The recombinant microorganisms can further include a recombinant gene configured to express a biologic. The recombinant microorganisms can be used as delivery vehicles to deliver the biologics to sites such as the gastrointestinal tract.

# **Key Benefits**

- Novel microbial delivery system
- · Prevents any potential colonization of GI
- · Allows for tuning of biocontainment

## **Additional Information**

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#### **Tech Fields**

• <u>Drug Delivery</u>: Other <u>drug delivery technologies</u>

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