Plasmid generation

- 1. Amplify the *wsp* and *rps6* gene fragments using the extracted Aa23 cell DNA as a template, and perform the PCR reaction.
- 2. Purify the PCR product using an extraction kit (see the **Table of Materials**), ligate it into pMD18-T, and use the ligated vector to transform *Escherichia coli* DH5 α .
- 3. Spread the transformed bacteria on 100 μ g/mL Amp/X-gal/IPTG LB plate medium, pick single clones after culture, identify the fragment size by PCR, and send it for sequencing.
- 4. Use the single clone with correct sequence as the strain, and inoculate 1:100 (v/v) into LB (containing 100 μ g/L of ampicillin) to obtain the standard plasmid.

Anti-wsp antibody preparation

- 1. Collection of mouse serum as a negative control Collect 0.5-1 mL of blood from the eyeballs of unimmunized mice, inactivate the blood at 37 °C for 30min, and coagulate it overnight at 4 °C to release the serum. Centrifuge it at $1,000 \times g$ for 10 min at 4 °C; collect the supernatant and store it at -80 °C.
- 2. Mouse immunity
- 2.1. For the first immunization, mix 1 mL of Freund's complete adjuvant with the prepared 1 mL of antigen (containing 40 μ g of immune protein), and inject mice subcutaneously at multiple points.
- 2.2. For the second immunization two weeks later, mix 40 μ g of antigen and equal volume of incomplete adjuvant, and inject the mice subcutaneously at multiple points.
- 2.3. Perform the third and fourth immunizations similar to the second.
- 2.4. Extract a little venous blood 7–14 days after each immunization, and separate the serum for testing the immune effect. Test blood samples 5–7 days after the fourth immunization.
- 3. Detection of immune titer
- 3.1. Collect 50 μ L of blood from the tail vein of mice, and separate serum for antibody titer detection.
- 3.2. When the antibody titer is greater than 1:5,000 (diluted antigen) by the ring precipitation method, collect blood from mouse eyeballs, and separate the serum for antibody purification and detection.
- 4. Antibody storage
- 4.1. After inactivating the immune serum by heating at 56 °C for 30 min, add the appropriate preservatives, label the serum samples, and store them at a low temperature below -20 °C.