

Supplementary Data:

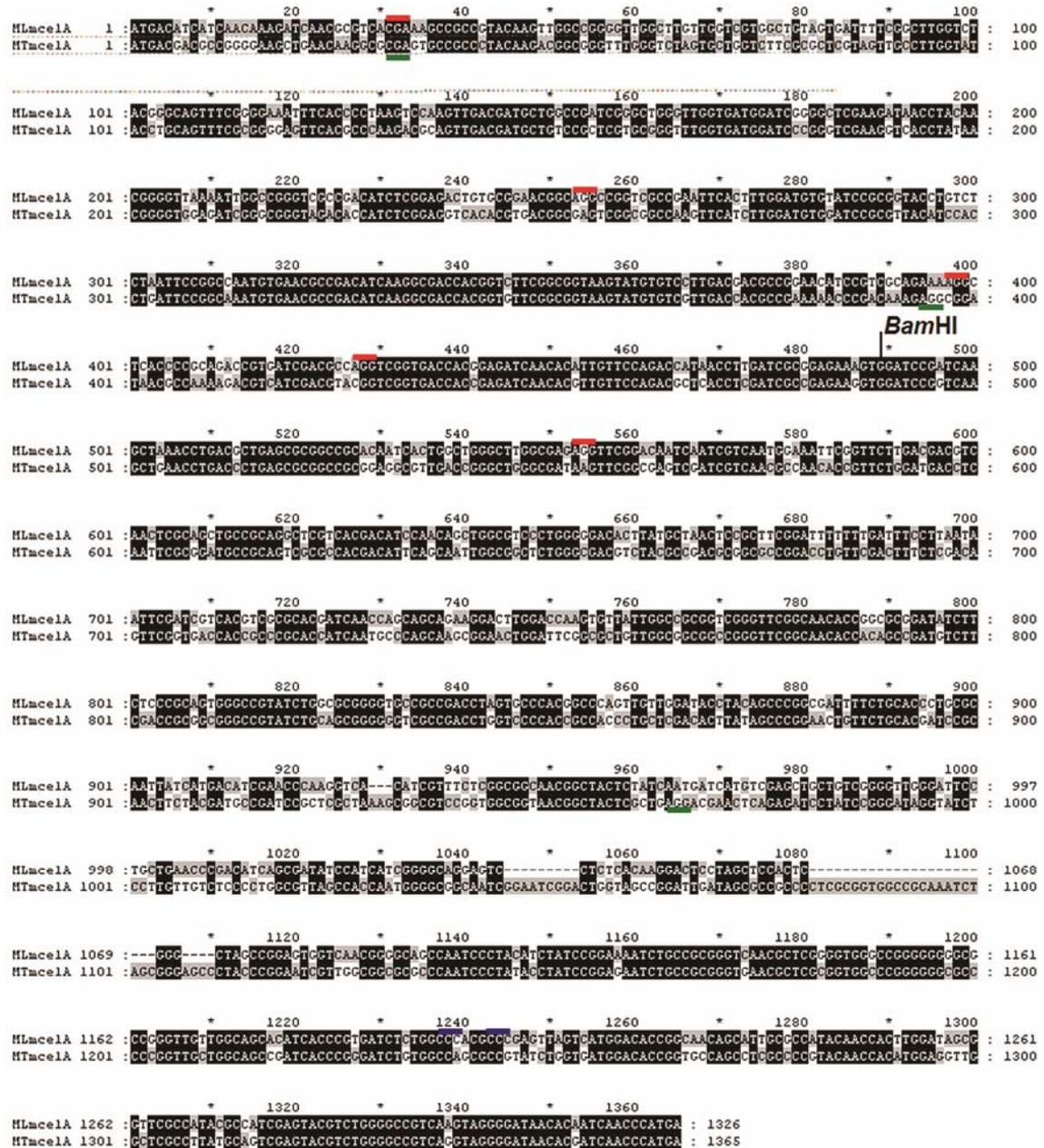


Fig. S1—Comparison of the nucleotide sequence of *M. leprae* Mce1A (MLMce1A) and *M. tuberculosis* (MTMce1A). The positions of rare arginine codons are marked with red solid lines in *M. leprae* and green solid lines in *M. tuberculosis*. Proline rare codons of *M. leprae* are shown in blue solid lines. [Light shading, 50% conserved; dark shading, 75% conserved; solid boxes, identical sequences.]

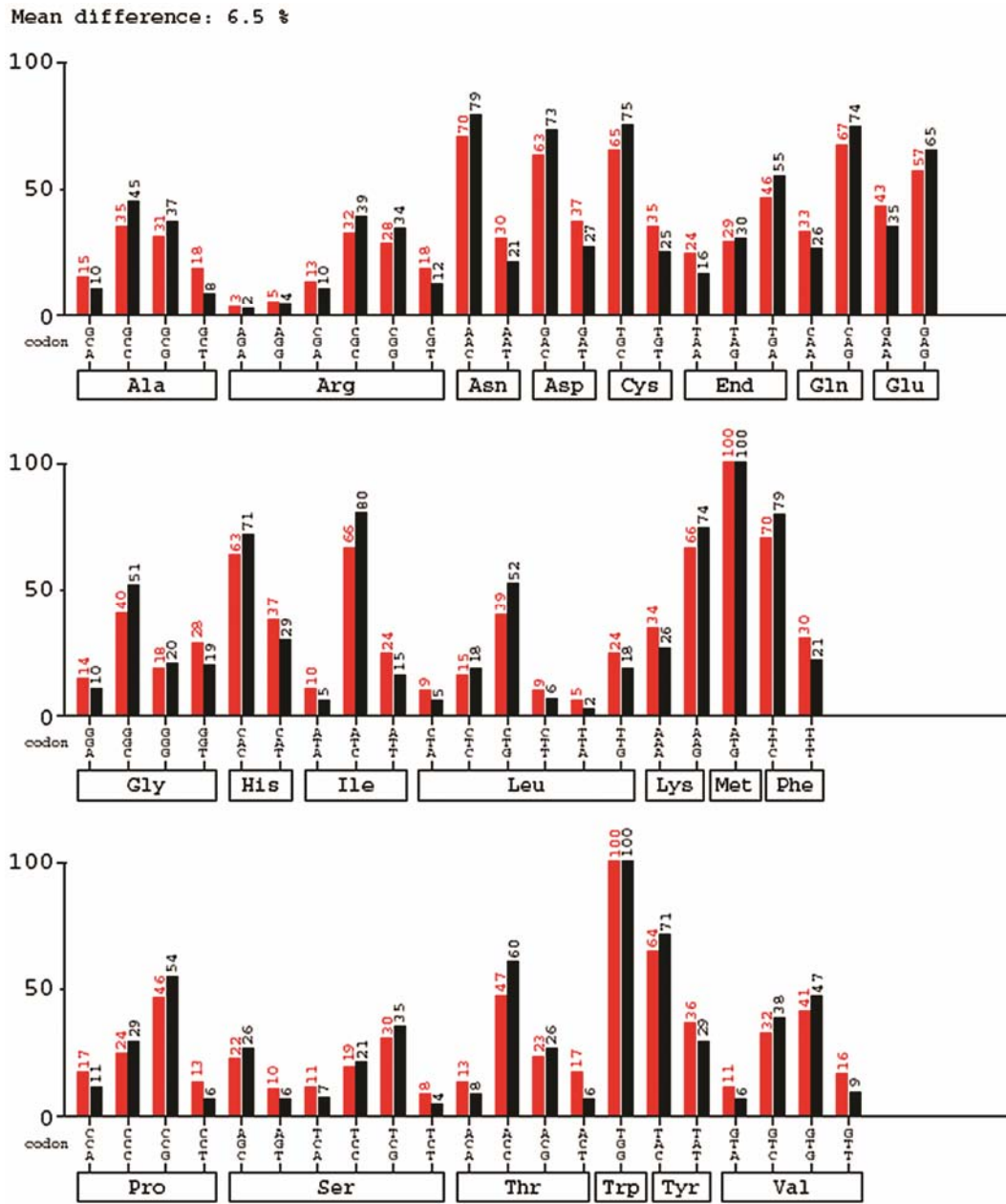


Fig. S2—Comparison of codon usage table of *M. leprae* (red) and *M. tuberculosis* (black) [http://gcu.schoedl.de/compare_v2.html].