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Like other members of the Enterobacteriaceae family, *Yersinia* strains possess in the outer membrane two major surface components, i.e., lipopolysaccharide (LPS) and enterobacterial common antigen (ECA). LPS is composed of the O specific polysaccharide, core oligosaccharide, and lipid A. Strains that are deprived of the O polysaccharide are called rough (R) [1]. ECA is a more abundant polymer built up of trisaccharide units [2, 3].