



Figure 1. SCM deficiency minimally impacts *S. canis* growth, hemolytic activity, and biofilm formation. Growth curves of *S. canis* G361 or G361 Δscm in Todd-Hewitt broth (THB, (A)) or RPMI-1640 (RPMI, (B)) as measured by optical density (OD₆₀₀). (C) Biofilm formation of *S. canis* G361 or G361 Δscm or GAS 5448 or 5448 $\Delta emm1$ in THB or RPMI quantified by SYTO 13 fluorescence and expressed as the percent fluorescence of the WT strain. (D) Representative images (two per condition) of *S. canis* G361 or G361 Δscm biofilms grown for 48 h in THB or RPMI and stained with SYTO 13. Symbols represent individual experimental replicates (A–C) with lines indicating interquartile ranges. Representative images are of independent experimental replicates, scale bar = 200 μ m (D). Data were analyzed by two-way ANOVA with Sidak’s multiple comparisons post-test (A–C). *, $p < 0.05$.