

## Summary

(Since many beneficial bacteria fall within the lactic acid bacteria (LAB) group, the focus has been on the isolation of LAB from various sources and assessing their probiotic qualities in vitro. By using 16S rRNA gene sequencing the strains were identified. Following this, whole genome sequencing was used to identify the strain level, investigate possible therapeutic applications, and evaluate safety

samples were collected of traditional yogurt, cheese, and infant feces

The De Man Rogosa and Sharpe (MRS) selective medium was used to separate the bacteria, and then they were purified. 161 isolates were obtained, divided into 47 from infant feces, 51 from yogurt, and 63 from cheeses. Initially identification was accomplished by morphological and biochemical investigations using colony and cells characteristics Gram staining, oxidase and catalase

Multiple phases were used to assess the probiotic properties of the bacterial isolates. First, as a precaution, a hemolysis test was done. The majority of the isolates exhibited no blood hemolysis. The efficiency of the agar diffusion, agar spot, and broth microdilution methods was then evaluated against *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Enterococcus faecalis*, and *Escherichia coli*. Only 10 of the total isolates tested exhibited inhibitory activity against the indicator bacteria. In the diffusion test against *E. faecalis*, the largest mean diameter of the inhibition zone was 21 mm, whereas the spot test against *K. pneumoniae* had the largest mean inhibition zone of 25 mm. The microdilution assay yielded a minimum inhibitory concentration of 1/16. Furthermore, the strains were evaluated for resistance to simulated stomach and intestinal environments. The logarithm of

.live cells decreased somewhat when exposed to the enzyme pepsin and pH3  
However, there were no significant differences in the logarithm of viable cells  
.when Ovgall was present

In both the auto-aggregation and co-aggregation ability tests, isolate HR3  
had higher percentages of 65.95% and 59.32%, respectively. Anti-biofilm  
activities were evaluated. Cell-free supernatants (CFSs) have been shown to  
inhibit *P. aeruginosa* and *S. lugdunensis* biofilm formation. During the  
antibiotic susceptibility test, the probiotic isolates showed consistent resistance  
patterns against ciprofloxacin, cloxacillin, gentamicin, kanamycin  
streptomycin, and vancomycin, as well as resistance to tetracycline. These  
isolates, however, were susceptible to penicillin, imipenem, erythromycin  
.clindamycin, amikacin, and azithromycin

By using the 16S rRNA gene sequence the isolates HR1 and HR2 were  
identified as *Lactocaseibacillus* sp. and *Lactocaseibacillus paracasei* while the  
.other isolates were identified as *L. plantarum*

Whole genome resequencing was performed, and sequencing data was  
converted into raw data by Illumina SBS technology. After sequencing, overall  
reads' quality, total bases, total reads, GC (%) and basic statistics were  
calculated. The filtered reads were mapped to the reference genome. After the  
genome was assembled, it was annotated. The variants were classified by each  
.chromosome

Pathosystems Resource Integration Center (PATRIC) and Rapid  
Annotation using Subsystem Technology (RAST) were used for assembly and  
annotation. The National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI) was  
(used to register sequences of strains HA3(Isolate HR3) and HA9(Isolate HQM  
.under accession numbers JAUTDK000000000.1 and JAUTDL000000000.1

The genomes measured a single circular 3,314,449 and 3,312,723 base

.pairs in size. Their chromosomes contained 44.38% and 44.40% G+C content  
Isolate HA3 comprised 3,253 protein-coding sequences, 3 ribosomal RNA  
rRNA) genes, and 62 transfer RNA (tRNA) genes, while strain HA9 contained)  
protein-coding sequences, 2 rRNA genes, and 59 tRNA genes. Both HA3 ٣٠٢٩٨  
and HA9 strains were equipped with multiple antibiotic resistance genes across  
different groups and stress response factors. The HA3 strain also can produce a  
total of 14 bacteriocins, and eight of them exhibit immunogenicity. The HA3  
.and HA9 strains could synthesize water-soluble B vitamins  
(The protein sequences inside PATRIC cross-genus families (PGFams  
(were aligned by multiple sequence comparison by log-expectation (MUSCLE  
.tool, and the nucleotides that matched each sequence were assigned to a protein  
These sequences revealed that HA3 was 100% comparable to the reference  
.strain *L. plantarum* WCFS1, whereas HA9 was 80%