

Identification and phylogenetic differences of newly isolated *Streptomyces* sp

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Abstract

Antimicrobial resistance and antibiotic use is a global health crisis today. *Streptomyces* is the source of most antimicrobials. Therefore, the similarities and differences within the species of *Streptomyces* are of great importance. In this study, isolation and identification of 3 different *Streptomyces* species isolated from sediment from the Dicle region were performed. Then, 16S rRNA gene sequence was obtained and the similarities and differences between species were revealed. As a result of the study, bacteria contained colorimetric differences, when looking at the spore chain morphology in the SEM image, a knobby structure was formed, 16S rRNA sequences longer than 1000 bp and in the phylogenetic tree created, 1 isolate was closely similar to the sequences obtained from GenBank (99 % <), other It was observed that the two isolates differed. 2 different *Streptomyces* isolates obtained in line with these results are important in terms of antibiotic production and different resistance conditions in subsequent studies.

Key words: Real-Time PCR, Sequencing, 16S rRNA gene, *Streptomyces* sp.

İzole edilen yeni *Streptomyces* türlerinin tanımlanması ve filogenetik farklılıkları

Öz

Antimikrobiyal direnç ve antibiyotik kullanımı günümüzde küresel bir sağlık krizidir. *Streptomyces* türleri antimikrobiyallerin çoğunun kaynağıdır. Bundan ötürü *Streptomyces*lerin tür içi benzerlik ve farklılıkları büyük öneme sahiptir. Bu çalışmada Dicle bölgesinden sedimentten izole edilen 3 farklı *Streptomyces* türünün izolasyon ve identifikasyonu gerçekleştirilmiştir. Ardından 16S rRNA gen sekansı elde edilerek türler arası benzerlik ve farklılıkları ortaya konulmuştur. Çalışma sonucunda bakterilerin clorometrik farklılıklar içerdiği, SEM görüntüsünde spor zincir morfolojisine bakıldığında budaklı (knobby) bir yapının oluştuğu, 16S rRNA 1000bp den uzun sekans hizalamasında ve oluşturulan filogenetik ağaçta GenBank'tan elde edilen sekanslar ile 1 izolatin yakın benzerlikte olduğu (% 99 <), diğer iki izolatin ise farklılık gösterdiği gözlenmiştir. Bu sonuçlar doğrultusunda elde edilen 2 farklı *Streptomyces* izolatinin sonraki çalışmalarda antibiyotik üretimlerinin ve farklı direnç gösterme durumları yönünden önem arz etmektedir.

Anahtar kelimeler: Real-Time PCR, Sekanslama, 16S rRNA geni, *Streptomyces* sp.

Introduction

The large number of bioactive compounds produced by *Streptomyces* species makes the diagnosis of these bacteria necessary. For this reason, the isolation of streptomyces species was made from sediment samples taken from the Tigris

river. The Tigris River has an important place in terms of water potential and productivity. It is used for many purposes such as agricultural irrigation, drinking water supply and fishing. Elazig Hazar Lake's bottom seepage path and the length of the river fed by the Eastern Anatolian mountains is 1900 km (Budak et al., 1997; Ergun and Gürbüz, 2012). Many secondary metabolites thought to

contribute to the productivity of the river are produced by bacteria. Actinobacteria are natural members of both terrestrial and aquatic systems (Mullowney et al., 2015). It has been determined that actinobacteria isolated from their sediments taken from aquatic environments have high antibiotic production ability (Ayari et al., 2012; Gebreyohannes et al., 2013). Today, 80% of the antibiotics used for medical purposes are produced by Streptomyces and Micromonospora bacteria. Life cycles of Gram-positive streptomyces bacteria are quite complex. In addition, it has been determined that the antibiotics they produce have anticancer, antiparasitic and antifungal effects (Elliot et al., 2008; Law et al., 2017). The majority of Streptomyces members produce a secretion of geosmin, producing a characteristic soil odor. These bacteria have attracted attention by scientists for their potential to produce pharmaceutically important bioactive compounds and industrial enzymes (Shivlata and Tulasi, 2015; Ser et al., 2017). Streptomyces bacteria undergo physiological differentiation in a stressful environment caused by nutritional shortages and begin to produce secondary metabolites (Horinouchi, 2002). In this study, isolation and identification of 3 different Streptomyces species isolated from sediment from the Dicle region were performed. Subsequently, 16S rRNA gene sequence was obtained and the similarities and differences between species were revealed.

Materials and methods

Bacteria isolation

Sediment samples were taken from different parts of the Tigris River in Diyarbakır. Dilution method was applied for the isolation of Streptomyces species. Inoculation was performed on Bennet's agar medium. Then it was incubated at 28 °C for 15 days for incubation. These colonies were transferred to Bennet's Agar medium by line planting method and colonies were dropped one by one. Isolates were stored at -20 °C in cryogenic tubes containing 20 % glycerol (Seçkin and Önalın, 2020).

Colorimetric differences of bacteria

Bacteria growing on Bennet's agar medium were grown on Oatmeal Agar medium for color grouping after morphological selection. After 15 days of incubation at 27 °C, differences were determined according to color formation (Seçkin and Önalın, 2020).

DNA isolation

High molecular weight DNA was isolated with the automated QIAcube in conjunction with the Mericon Bacteria Mini kit as described by the manufacturer. Total cellular DNA concentration was determined by QIAxpert (Qiagen) (Azarova et al., 2020).

Sequence analysis

A sample sheet was prepared on the MiSeq sequencer (Illumina) to provide run details. A standard flow - cell was inserted into the flow - cell chamber. The pooled sample was diluted with chilled HT1 buffer to a concentration of 2 nmol / l and an equal amount of 0.2 N NaOH to denature the sample was added and incubated for five minutes. A PhiX sample at 2 nmol / l was denatured in the same way. Both the sample and the PhiX were diluted to 8 pmol / l and 1 % PhiX was added to the sample. Then, 600 µl of the spiked sample with a final concentration of 8 pmol / l was pipetted into the sample well on the MiSeq consumable cartridge before loading in the cooling section of the MiSeq machine. Sequencing was performed on a MiSeq sequencer using 151 bp paired - end reads, including an index run according to the manufacturer's instructions (Sikkema-Raddatz et al., 2013).

Results

The pH rates in the sampling area were measured as 7.65 and 7.70. The moisture content was measured as 59 %. Sediment sample and pictures of the isolates planted on Bennett's Agar in sediment samples and isolated and purified at the end of 28 °C incubation period are given below (Figure 1).

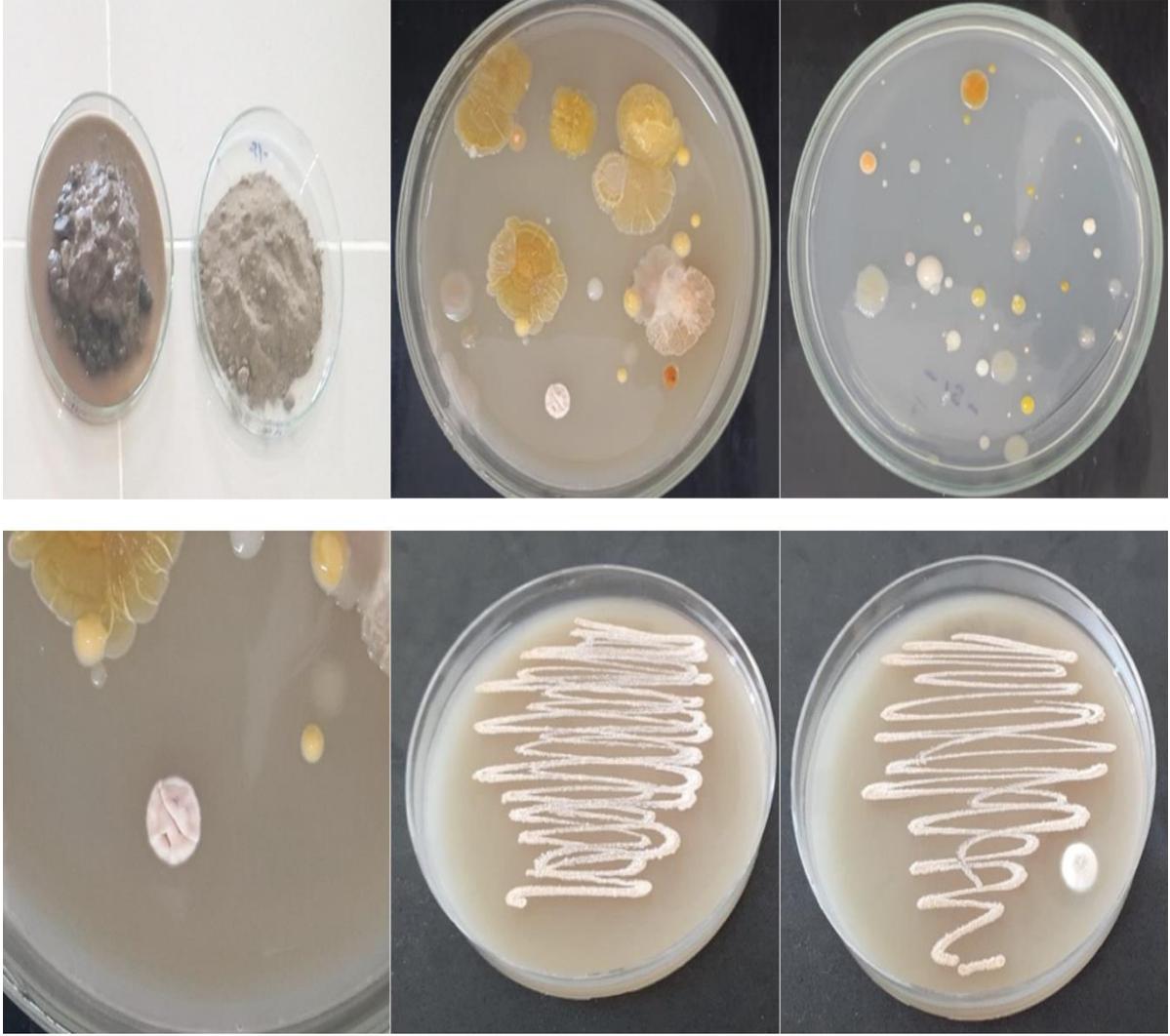


Figure 1. Streptomyces species isolated in the study growing on Bennet's agar.

Considering the spore chain morphology of the isolated Streptomyces species, it was seen that a knobby structure was formed (Figure 2).

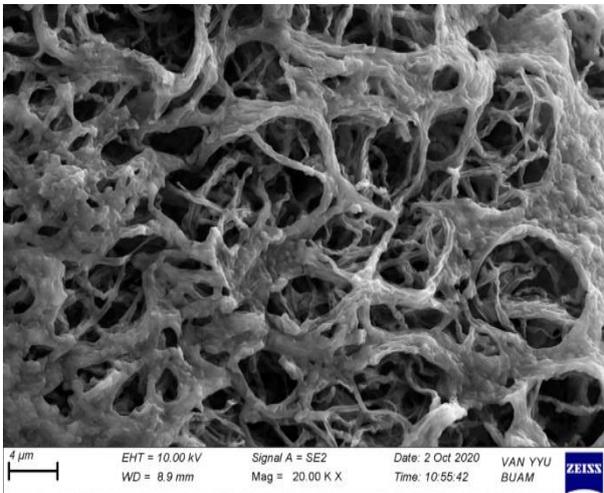


Figure 2. Electron microscope pictures of Streptomyces sp. isolated in this study

The A260 / 280 nm nano-spectrophotometric purity ratios of the isolated DNA were found to vary between 1.87 - 1.91. The fact that the DNA purity rates of the samples are close to each other and the purity level is within a reliable range shows that the isolations made with the automatic isolation robot give healthier results.

The molecular identification of the bacterial isolates used in the study was performed by sequencing using isolated DNAs and bacterial universal primers (27F-1492R). Percent identification results of bacteria isolated according to the sequence results are given below (Table 1).

Table 1. Identification results of isolated *Streptomyces* sp.

İzolat No	ID	Max ID	Percent %	*Acc number
1*	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp.	<i>Streptomyces tendae</i>	99,3	-
2*	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp.	<i>Streptomyces tritolerans</i>	93,9	-
3*	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp.	<i>Streptomyces tritolerans</i>	93,4	-
4	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp.	<i>Streptomyces tendae</i> strain SN4	-	MT071712
5	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp.	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp. strain RC2	-	MT012004
6	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp.	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp. KK9-13	-	LC487844
7	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp.	<i>Streptomyces tendae</i> strain YBS75	-	MH250280
8	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp.	<i>Streptomyces tritolerans</i>	-	MG334128
9	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp.	<i>Streptomyces tritolerans</i>	-	MG334126
10	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp.	<i>Streptomyces collinus</i> strain Hu001	-	JQ689078
11	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp.	<i>Streptomyces collinus</i> strainGF37216	-	JN107754
12	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp.	<i>Streptomyces tritolerans</i> strain LZ16-18	-	MT990543.1
13	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp.	<i>Streptomyces collinus</i> subsp. <i>albescens</i>	-	AB184101
14	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp.	<i>Streptomyces violaceorubidus</i> WLD114	-	MG856110
15	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp.	<i>Streptomyces violaceorubidus</i> strain CBS	-	MH251034
16	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp.	<i>Streptomyces violaceorubidus</i> CBS 153	-	MH250980
17	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp.	<i>Streptomyces violaceorubidus</i> CBS 116	-	MH250945
18	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp.	<i>Streptomyces violaceorubidus</i> CBS 112	-	MH250941

* The sequences of bacteria isolated in this study were blasted in the gene bank and sequences with 93% or more similarity to each isolate sequence were selected. 1,2 and 3th bacteria are isolated in this study. The others obtained from GenBank.

As a result of the sequence analysis, the results of the alignment analysis showing the intra-species similarity rates of the bacteria isolated and identified in this study are given below. When performing the alignment analysis, the gap and locus gaps formed at the beginning and end of the sequences were deleted due to the difference in the number of nucleic acids read as a result of each sequence and the length of the sequence loaded into the gene bank, and alignment analysis was performed according to the sequence data of the same length. This also eliminated any similarities

or differences resulting from sequence length or shortening. The cladogram showing the affinity relationship of bacteria isolated in the study with bacteria isolated from different regions in the gene bank is given below. It is seen that the same type of bacteria isolated from the same area is most similar to each other. In this study, it was observed that the bacteria isolated from the same area were closest to each other and that other isolates differed at different rates according to their similarity for their own species (Figure 3).

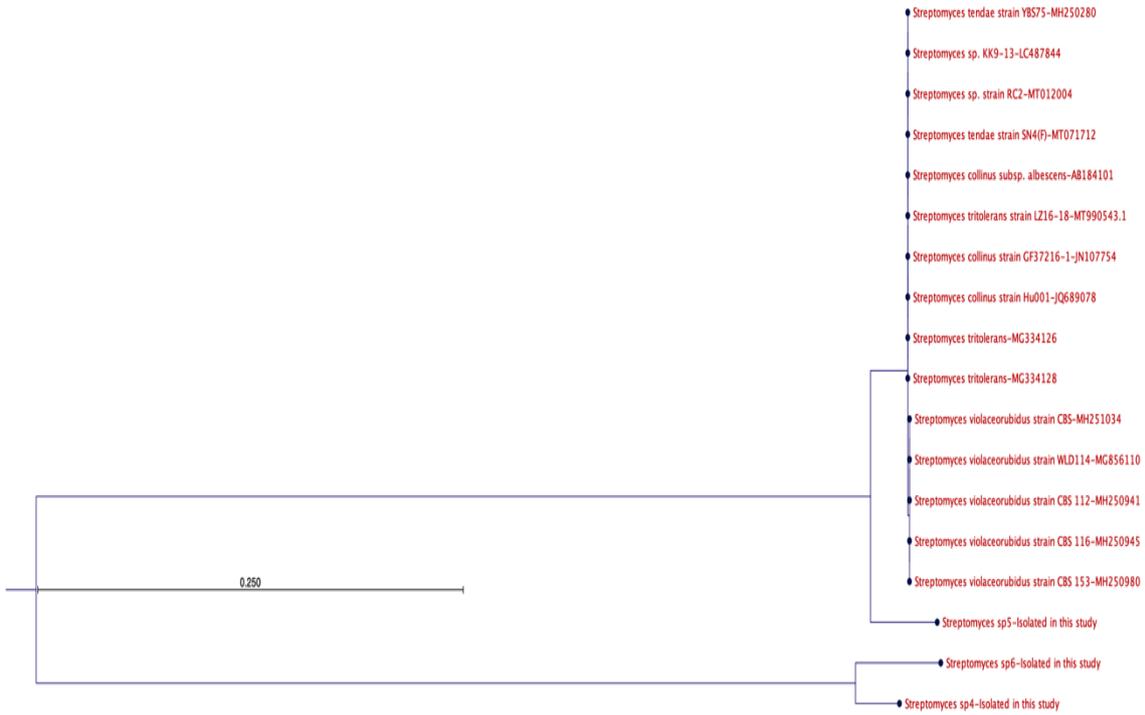


Figure 3. Dendrogram of isolated bacteria and other related sequences in GenBank

Nucleotide sequencing differences were found to be 0.3 %, reporting that they were isolated from different water sources. It was observed that 2 *Streptomyces* species isolated in

the study were different from *Streptomyces* species obtained from GenBank, and 1 isolate was similar.

Discussion

It has been proven by many scientific studies that *Streptomyces* bacteria produce a large number of secondary metabolites in terms of biotechnology and health. Therefore, aquatic areas such as rivers and lakes, which have not been adequately explored, are considered to be very important for the discovery of new *Streptomyces* species. Looking at SEM images of *Streptomyces* bacteria isolated from volcanic caves, it was determined that a knotty structure was formed (Riquelme et al., 2015).

Streptomyces coelicoflavus GIAL86 bacteria were isolated from Iran Meyghan Salt Lake (Salehghamari et al., 2019). *Streptomyces aburaviensis*, *Streptomyces gramineus* and *Streptomyces psammoticus* species were isolated from the sediments taken from the Guaviare River (Laura et al., 2018). Sequence analysis of the 16S rDNA gene region of YC537T species isolated from lake sediment collected from Bolu Yenicağa Lake was the result of *Streptomyces ziwulingensis* F22T (97.9 %), *Streptomyces tauricus* JCM 4837 T (97.7 %) and *Streptomyces beijiangensis* NBRC 100044 T (97.6 %) species strain (Tokatli et al., 2020).

In a different study, it was reported that *Amycolatopsis nivea* was isolated from the sediment sample taken from the Yellow River of China (Niu et al., 2020). In a different study, it was reported that bacterial isolation and molecular identification were carried out from sediment samples taken from different points around İğdır Balık Lake (Seçkin and Önalın, 2020). In another study, phylogenetic analysis of 16S rRNA sequence of an actinomycetes strain isolated from the marine environment of India was reported to be 100 % similar to *Amycolatopsis alba* (Dasari and Donthireddy, 2011).

As a result of the study, 2 different types of bacteria were isolated. In the GenBank database, it was seen that the bacteria isolated were 93,9 % similar. Nucleotide sequencing differences were found to be 7 %, reporting that they were isolated from different water sources. Different studies are needed to determine the differences in gene levels of the same type of bacteria isolated from different sources and to determine pathogenicity and virulence characteristics among isolates.

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