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Arsenal of Endophytic Actinobacterial Microbes

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ABSTRACT

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Endophytic actinomycetes are the most exploited group of plant associated microbe utilized in the agricultural based industries. In this review effort will make to summarize the utilization of Endophytic actinomycetes as a booming alternative for agro practices in the place of hazardous chemical. Endophytic actinomycetes were extensively investigated for their antimicrobial properties such as antifungal and antibacterial. They are able to produce a variety of antibiotics and several other bioactive compounds utilized in the agricultural practices which were not previously reported.

Introduction

Most Plants of the world are a potential reservoir of indigenous microbes chiefly known as endophyte which can reside inside their tissue without giving any visible external symptoms which responsible for nutrient assimilation and their processing, induction of defense system, and synthesis of secondary metabolites (Pandey *et al.*, 2014; Pandey *et al.*, 2016). They may be actinomycetes, bacteria or fungi. They colonizes internal tissues either as obligate or in facultative manner with host plants without causing any immediate negative or

external symptom to host and reported to shows the beneficial effects, put forward opportunities for discovering products and processes with potential applications in agriculture, medicine and biotechnology (Pandey *et al.*, 2012; Pandey *et al.*, 2016). Researches are focused on the investigation of actinomycetes endophytic diversity and their relationships with host plants. Several decades of actinomycetes endophytic research resulted in a finding of natural bioactive compounds, and recovering the efficiency of some probable candidates by delightful advantage of genetic engineering which are ever-increasing day by day.

Production of Antibiotic by Endophytic-actinobacteria

Antibiotic production from endophytic-actinomycetes associated with plants having medicinal properties hold the ability to inhibit pathogenic fungi, bacteria and virus. A variety of antibiotics have been reported to develop antimicrobial compounds, such as Demethylnovobiocins (Igarashi, 2004), munumbicins A-D (Castillo *et al.*, 2002) and kakadumycins (Castillo *et al.*, 2003). 6-Prenylindole having antifungal activity against *Fusarium oxysporum* isolated from Endophytic actinomycetes *Streptomyces* sp. TP-A0595 (Igarashi, 2004). Actinomycin D extracted from Endophytic actinomycetes *Streptomyces* sp. Tc022 associated with root of *Alpinia galangal* were effective against the fungal pathogen *Colletotrichum musae* and *Candida albicans* (Taechowisan *et al.*, 2006). Munumbicins E-4 and Munumbicins E-5 from endophytic *Streptomyces* NRRL 30562 shows broad-spectrum antibacterial properties (Castillo *et al.*, 2006). Saadamycin an antimycotic compound isolated from Endophytic actinomycetes *Streptomyces* sp. Hedaya48 (El-Gendy and EL-Bondkly, 2010).

Biological Control by Endophytic-actinobacteria

Biological control and antimicrobial activity of Endophytic actinomycetes is mainly relies on production of cell wall degrading enzyme, production of antibiotics and competition for nutrient utilization by pathogen. They also have ability to eliciting plant induced systemic resistance (ISR). The Endophytic actinomycetes *Streptomyces galbus* R-5 produces pectinase and cellulase enzyme which helps in cell wall degradation along with actinomycin X2 and fungi chromin compound which elicited

jasmonate-associated defence responses in the rhododendron seedlings (Shimizu *et al.*, 2005). Endophytic actinomycetes isolate *Streptomyces* sp. EN27 and *Micromonospora* sp. strain EN43 increases resistance in *Arabidopsis thaliana* against *Erwiniacarotovora* and *F. oxysporum* (Conn *et al.*, 2008). They are reported to elicit expression of genes linked with salicylic acid, jasmonic acid and ethylene- dependent signaling pathways (Conn *et al.*, 2008).

Plant Growth Promoting Agents

Endophytic-actinomycetes benefit to plant growth via the production of plant growth promotion bioactive compounds like cytokinins, auxins, gibberellins or suppress stress hormone ethylene production by synthesis of 1-aminocyclopropane-1-carboxylate (ACC) or producing siderophore to improve nutrient uptake (Compant *et al.*, 2005; Sun *et al.*, 2009). Pteridic acids A and B extracted from Endophytic actinomycetes *S. hygroscopicus* TP-A0451 regulate plant metabolism in their different concentration (Igarashi, 2004). Pathogenic Gram-negative bacteria used *N*-acyl-L-homoserine lactone (HSL) quorum sensing to control their virulence traits. Hence, to investigate the enzyme that degrade *N*-acyl-L-homoserine lactone (HSL) signal molecule and overcome pathogenecity in such type of microbes is of great importance. The endophyticactinomycetes isolate *Streptomyces* LPC029 exhibited HSL-acylase activity and able to cleave an amide bond of acyl-side chain in HSL substrate and an *in vitro* antagonistic test showed partially purified HSL-acylase from the *Streptomyces* LPC029 inhibit soft rot of potato caused by *Pectobacterium carotovorum* sp. *carotovorum* (Chankhamhaengdech *et al.*, 2013).

Table.1 Some Bioactive Compounds from the Endophytic actinomycetes

Bioactive compounds	Nature of compound	Nature of activity	Endophytic actinomycetes	Host plants	References
Saadamycin	Heterocyclic compound	Antifungal	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp.	<i>Aplysina fistularis</i>	El-Gendy and EL-Bondkly, 2010
Demethylnovobiotics	Coumarins	Anti-microbial	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp. TP-A0556	<i>Aucuba japonica</i> Thunb	Igarashi, 2004
Munumbicins E-4 and E-5	Peptides	Antibiotic	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp. NRRL 30562	<i>K. nigriscans</i>	Castillo <i>et al.</i> , 2006
Munumbicins A-D	Peptides	Antibiotic	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp. NRRL 30562	<i>Kennedia nigriscans</i>	Castillo <i>et al.</i> , 2002
Kakadumycins	Peptides	Antibiotic	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp. NRRL 30566	<i>Grevillea pteridifolia</i>	Castillo <i>et al.</i> , 2003
6-Prenylindole	Alkaloids	Antifungal	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp. TP-A0595	<i>Allium tuberosum</i>	Igarashi, 2004
Cedarmycins A and B	Butyrolactones	Antifungal	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp. TP-A0456	<i>Cryptomeria japonica</i>	Igarashi, 2004
5,7-dimethoxy-4-p-methoxyphenylcoumarin & 5,7-dimethoxy-4-phenylcoumarin	Coumarins	Antifungal	<i>Streptomyces aureofaciens</i> CMUAc130	<i>Zingiberofficinale</i> Rosc.	Taechowisan <i>et al.</i> , 2005

Endophytic actinomycetes isolated from the leaves of *Catharanthes roseus* (L.) were tested for their antifungal activity against fungi *Candida albicans*, *Botrytis cinerea*, *Curvularia lunata*, *Fusarium oxysporum*, *Fusarium solani*, *Rhizoctonia solani* and for antibacterial activity against *Bacillus subtilis*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Proteus vulgaris*. In the 38 Endophytic actinomycetes isolate sixty five percent isolates exhibit antimicrobial activity among them isolate Cr-12, Cr-20 having highest activity (Kafur and Khan, 2011). The Endophytic actinomycetes *Streptomyces* sp. was evaluated in the field condition and it was very effective against the *Oidium* sp. the causal organism of powdery mildew of

sweet pea (Sangmanee *et al.*, 2009). Endophytic actinomycetes *Streptomyces caviscabies/setonii* EN16, *Streptomyces caviscabies/setonii* EN27 dan, *Streptomyces caviscabies/setonii* EN28 was evaluated against the phytopathogenic fungi *Gaeumannomyces graminis* ar. *Tritici* Ggt and *Rhizoctonia solani* AG8 in wheat in both condition either in vitro or in planta. The antifungal compounds were identified with the help of HPLC (Listiana, 2007).

5,7-dimethoxy-4-p-methoxyphenylcoumarin and 5,7-dimethoxy-4-phenylcoumarin extracted from *Streptomyces aureofaciens* CMUAc130 Endophytic actinomycetes isolated from the root tissue of *Zingiber officinale* Rosc.

(Zingiberaceae) were active against *Colletotrichum musae* and *Fusarium oxysporum*, the causative agents of anthracnose of banana and wilt of wheat, respectively (Taechowisan *et al.*, 2005). Banana plants endophytic actinomycete *Streptomyces griseorubiginosus*-like was evaluated against the *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. cubense revealed that the proportion of antagonistic streptomycetes colonization in healthy roots was higher than the diseased roots (Cao *et al.*, 2004).

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