



Comparative genomics among dairy strains of Streptococcus thermophilus and Streptococcus macedonicus

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- Carnobacterium
- Enterococcus
- Lactococcus
- Lactobacillus
- Leuconostoc
- Oenococcus
- Pediococcus
- Streptococcus
- Weissella





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• Streptococci that can be found growing in milk belong to the *Streptococcus bovis/Streptococcus equinus* complex (SBSEC)





• Greek Streptococcus thermophilus ACA-DC 29

• French Streptococcus macedonicus 679

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Comparative genomics of S. thermophilus



ACA-DC 29

- RAST
- BASyS
- FGenesB
- MetaGeneAnnotator
- Manual curation
- GenePrimp (check)





ACA-DC 29 CNRZ 1066 ASCC 1275 JIM 8232 LMD-9 LMG 18311 **MN-ZLW-002 ND03**





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Representative genomic traits of *S. thermophilus* ACA-DC 29 potentially involved in technological properties of strarters





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ACA-DC 198

679 vs ACA-DC 198

33MO vs ACA-DC 198





















S. macedonicus pangenome





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- Extra lactose operon
- Proteolytic system



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CRISPR arrays of S. macedonicus strains		
Strain	CRISPR	Spacers
679	1	11
ACA-DC 198	1	49
33MO	2	3
		36



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S. thermophilus ACA-DC 29



Streptococcus macedonicus ACA-DC 198

S. macedonicus ACA-DC 198



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- *S. macedonicus* ACA-DC 198 carries in its CRISPR spacers that may confer resistance to known phages of *S. thermophilus*
- *S. macedonicus* ACA-DC 198 carries genes potentially acquired by horizontal gene transfer from *S. thermophilus* (e.g. type III RM system)
- *S. thermophilus* ACA-DC 29 carries genes potentially acquired by horizontal gene transfer from *S. macedonicus*

data not shown



Conclusions

- Both *S. thermophilus* and *S. macedonicus* species include very closely related strains
- Sequencing of more strains is necessary since unique genes can always be found in their genomes
- *S. thermophilus* and *S. macedonicus* are diverge species but they both present traits of adaptation to the milk environment
- Both *S. thermophilus* and *S. macedonicus* seem to have been adapted to the milk environment using similar strategies



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