

Bacterial isolates from marine diatom Psuedo-nitzschia collected from the Santa Cruz Warf in 2011 (bacteria, virus, diatom interactions project)

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Project

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Methods & Sampling

Single Pseudo-nitzschia cell isolates were obtained from bloom seawater samples collected from Santa Cruz Wharf, California. Bacteria associated with the single pseudo-nitzschia cell was isolated on marine agar. Sequences were analyzed using Seqman II. Bacterial taxon for each sequence was identified and named by the homologous 16S sequence in Genbank using BLAST.

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Data Files

File
bacterial_isolates.csv (Comma Separated Values (.csv), 1.90 KB) MD5:c1ea1e56b4d7728e38b9bbc55c4e187f
Primary data file for dataset ID 564366

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Parameters

Parameter	Description	Units
taxon	Bacterial taxon.	dimensionless
strain	Bacterial strain.	dimensionless
GenBank_accession	Genbank accession number.	dimensionless

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Deployments

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Website	https://www.bco-dmo.org/deployment/614791
Platform	Santa Cruz Warf
Start Date	2011-06-15
End Date	2011-06-15
Description	Sampling location for the project 'Diatom Microbiome' (PI: Sunny Jiang). A 20um mesh plankton net was used to collect sample.

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Project Information

Interactions of bacteria, viruses and bloom-forming diatom genus *Pseudo-nitzschia* (bacteria, virus, diatom interactions)

Coverage: Santa Cruz Warf 36.96023 N, -122.01996 W

This project seeks to elucidate the interactions between viruses, bacteria and toxic bloom-forming marine diatom genus *Pseudo-nitzschia* in the coastal marine environment. The cosmopolitan *Pseudo-nitzschia* sp. (Bacillariophyceae) causes harmful algal blooms in various parts of the world. Recent genome sequences of two marine diatoms revealed that bacterial genes contribute up to 5% of their genome make-up, highlighting the close association of marine diatoms with bacteria in evolutionary history. So far, few have looked at the interactions of diatoms with their epibiotic bacteria and none have studied the interactions of virus, bacteria and phytoplankton using direct experimental approach.

This project investigates the physiological, biochemical, genetic and ecological interactions of algae-microbe associations in order to decipher the influences of microbes on algal bloom dynamics and toxigenesis. By incorporating methods in phylogeny, physiology, biochemistry, comparative genomics and metagenomics, the research seeks answers to the following questions: 1) What are the epiphytic bacteria associating with different species of *Pseudo-nitzschia* and how do they change at different stages of the bloom? 2) How do these bacteria affect the physiology of the *Pseudo-nitzschia* hosts and how does the algal host regulate these microbial interactions? 3) Can viruses promote a bloom by selectively lysing algicidal bacteria, while creating opportunities for growth- promoting bacteria or vice versa? This project is guided by the preliminary research on microbe- algae interaction, where significantly different epibiotic bacterial communities were found to associate with two *Pseudo-nitzschia* species. Bacterial associates of one *Pseudo-nitzschia* sp. stimulated the growth of the algal-host but acted as a pathogen on another *Pseudo-nitzschia* sp. This project will expand the work on epibiotic bacterial community diversity and dynamics by sampling additional species of *Pseudo-nitzschia* and investigating the changes in epibiotic and planktonic bacterial community structure following the initiation, peak and decline phases of *Pseudo-nitzschia* blooms in coastal oceans. Algal host responses to

epibionts association will be investigated using physiological experiments of binary and multi-culture experimental approaches. The chemical communication between algal host and epibiont bacteria will be addressed by looking at the algal exudate excretions and bacterial enzyme secretions using established LC-MS and enzyme assays. To illustrate the influences of viruses on bacterial-algal interaction, bacteriophages specific to epibiotic bacteria will be isolated and included in the physiological experiments.

Related Publications:

Sison-Mangus, M., Jiang, S., Tran, K. N., Kudela, R. M. Host-specific adaptation governs the interaction of the marine diatom, *Pseudo-nitzschia* and their microbiota. *ISME Journal* 8, 63-76 [doi:10.1038/ismej.2013.138](https://doi.org/10.1038/ismej.2013.138)

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