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## Perspectives and Prospects of Probiotics in Aquaculture: A Review

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### 1. Introduction

Aquaculture represents a multi-billion sector that continually grows and expands in the aquaculture system. In 2018, aquaculture delivered around 178.5 million tons of fish to the world, and from Asia, inland production contributions were 66% of the whole world (FAO, 2020). Marine aquaculture accounted for around 84.4% of total capture fisheries, with 12% inland capture. Aquatic species are continually and inextricably linked to the compo-

sition and changes in their surroundings. Microbial intervention might be critical in fisheries and aquaculture sector productivity, and efficient probiotic treatments may give a broad spectrum of nonspecific disease protection (Salunke et al., 2020, Rengpipat et al., 2003; Panigrahi and Azad, 2007). Several gram-positive bacterial species, gram-negative bacteria, some bacteriophages, yeasts, and some unicellular algae were the potent probiotic mic-



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-robial species studied for use in aquaculture (Irianto and Austin, 2002).

Based on in vitro antagonism, bacterial species were selected as a probiotic (Verschuere et al., 2000) and on the capacity for adhesion and colonization, and growth in the mucus of the gut (Vine et al., 2004; Irianto and Austin, 2002). Probiotics or good bacteria that inhibit diseases in many ways are increasingly being explored as a substitute for chemical or antibiotic treatment. Probiotics have long been used in human and animal diets (Rinkinen et al., 2003; Fuller, 1992; Mulder et al., 1997), and they have been lately beginning to be used in fisheries and aquaculture sector (Bachere, 2003; Verschuere et al., 2000; Gomez et al., 2002, Gatesoupe, 2002; Irianto and Austin, 2002). Considering these problems and the potentially lethal effect of antibiotic residues in fish or aquaculture products on human health, the United States and the European Union have implemented bans or restrictions on antibiotics (Grenni et al., 2018; Capita and Alonso, 2013).

At the high population densities prevalent in aquaculture ponds, genetic transmission by plasmid transduction, virus transduction, or even direct transformation from DNA absorbed to particles in the water or on substrate surfaces can be viable options (Matias et al., 2002). Their pathogens are also supported by the water environment, where they can achieve species richness high enough to cause disease or make the host immune-compromised (Moriarty, 1999). Furthermore, intensive stocking or poor seed conditions contribute significantly to the breakdown of the "host-pathogen-environment" balance resulting in disease breakout. Antibiotics were widely used to control infections, and the uncontrolled chemical and antibiotic medicines use resulted in the growth of several antibiotic-resistant bacterial species. Production in many Asian countries fallen (Karunasagar et al., 1994). As a result, antibiotics are not effective against causative agents in treating luminous vibriosis (Defoirdt et al., 2007; Romero et al., 2012). The effects of emerging antibiotic-resistant bacteria on aquaculture include the risk of harmful bacteria to humans. Antibiotics have put severe selection stress on specific bacteria, which had adapted to this condition mainly through a level to the level transfer of antibiotic resistance genes containing the plasmid. Some bacterial infections can produce plasmid-mediated resistance.

In marine *Vibrio* species, antibiotic resistance gene-containing plasmids have been found, and they may be cross-exchanged. Several methods like water filtration and NaCl, ozonization, and UV radiation to lower harmful bacterial load in aquaculture are effective, although not as much as probiotics. The most successful strategy has been observed to be probiotics to supplement production. As a result, a continuing hunt for new and robust probiotic strains is required to tackle newly emerging diseases. The main goals of this study are to explain the concepts, modes of action, and selection criteria for probiotics and outline their uses in fisheries and aquaculture.

## 2. What is a Probiotic?

The name probiotic means "for life" and it is originally from the Greek terms "pro" and "bios" (Ebner et al., 2014). Parker (1974) coined the term "probiotic" which he defined as "organisms and chemicals that help for gut microbial equilibrium" Following this, various revisions were offered to shorten the original definition (Irianto and Austin, 2002; Salminen et al., 1998). Fuller (1992) defined it as "a live microbial feed additive that benefits the host animal by increasing its intestinal microbial balance". Verschuere et al. (2000) proposed a modified definition: "a live microbial adjunct that has a beneficial effect on the host by modifying the host-associated or ambient microbial community, ensuring improved use of the feed or enhancing its nutritional value, enhancing the host response to disease, or improving the quality of its ambient environment". A probiotic, by term, will help the host organism, moreover nutritionally or by altering its immediate surrounding atmosphere (Kesarcodi-Watson et al., 2008). Probiotics are bacteria or products from bacteria that support the physical condition of different other species. According to Lilley and Stillwell (1965), it is clear that the chemicals released by one microbe increase the host animal's growth animal. As per the World Health Organization/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (WHO/FAO), live probiotic bacteria taken in sufficient quantities give a health benefit to the host (Hotel and cordoba, 2001). A probiotic bacterial found in both indigenous and external microbiota of aquaculture species. Fighting bacterial pathogens for nutrition and preventing pathogen growth are feasible options for the

prophylactic use of pesticides, antibiotics, chemicals, and biocides. The central indigenous Microbiota of many marine fish species is gram-negative, facultatively anaerobic bacteria like *Vibrio* and *Pseudomonas* (Onarheim et al., 1994). As in freshwater fish, indigenous microbiota dominant genera are *Aeromonas* and *Plesiomonas*, members of the family *Enterobacteriaceae* and obligate anaerobic bacteria from the genera *Bacteroides*, *Fusobacterium*, and *Eubacterium* (Sakata, 1990).

In contrast to saltwater fish, freshwater fish species' indigenous microbiota is dominated by members of the genera *Bacillus* spp., a spore-forming bacteria, and *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, a yeast, have both garnered a lot of attention. It seems to have the ability to adhesion ability to create bacteriocins. The yeast has been demonstrated to have immunological stimulatory activities and the creation of inhibitory chemicals.

### 3. Source of Probiotics

Many different probiotic candidates have been studied to determine their potential, including semi-intensive aquaculture systems, cage culture in the reservoir or rivers, farm pond culture, and natural lakes (Chantharasophon et al., 2011; Chemlal-Kherras et al., 2012). Allochthonous or exogenous microbes are found outside the host, whereas autochthonous or indigenous microbes are found within the host. Various bacterial populations ( $10^2$ – $10^{11}$  CFU/g) in living and non-living habitats have been found, such as aquatic animals, snow, humans, soils, groundwater, sediments, freshwater, and saltwater (Liu et al., 2010; Nimrat et al., 2012). There are generally  $10^2$ – $10^9$  CFU/g of microbial burden in aquatic species' guts (Pond et al., 2006; Balcázar et al., 2007; Wu et al., 2010). Tilapia bacterial loads range from  $10^4$  to  $10^9$  CFU/g in the gut, from  $10^5$  to  $10^8$  CFU/g on the gills, to the  $10^3$ – $10^7$  CFU/g in water culture, and from the  $10^6$ – $10^8$  CFU/g in the pond sediment, whereas pathogenic bacterial loads were reported to be  $10^1$ – $10^3$  CFU/g in the gut of the tilapia and water culture. In water environments, foreign bacteria (from human or animal sources, air or soil) can alter microbial populations, resulting in the colonization of aquatic animals guts with new strains of bacteria (Verschuere et al., 2000).

### 4. Mechanisms of Action

The valuable bacterial strains produce a wide range of enzymes such as protease, amylase, CGTase, and lipase, which help digest unconsumed feed and excrement in the ponds and are probable involvement in animal nutrition, boosting feed digestibility and feed utilization. The mode of probiotics action includes pathogen inhibition via competition for attachment sites. Also, it shows the production of bacteriocin-like compounds. Likewise, it involves nutrient competition for growth and survival (specifically iron in marine microbes). The Immune stimulatory actions with nutritional benefits also enhance digestion and absorption in pathogens used for enzymatic activity, which is altered by probiotic bacteria (Fuller, 1992; Kesarcodi-Watson et al., 2008). Probiotics have been demonstrated to improve colonization and have direct pathogen inhibitory effects. Probiotic bacteria can inhibit as a pathogen by generating an antagonistic effect with chemicals and competitive segregation (antagonism for attachment sites and nutrients). The bacterial species consume or degrade organic materials to improve the water quality in the aquatic ecosystem.

### 5. Competitive Exclusion

The microbial antagonism effect is expected in the environment, and microbial relationships play a crucial role in balancing competing for beneficial and potentially harmful pathogens. However, husbandry procedures and ecological factors that promote the expansion of specific probiotic bacterial species affect microbial communities' composition. It is generally recognized that the normal microflora of aquatic animals' gastrointestinal tracts is altered, for example, by intake of other microbes; thus, microbial treatment represents a possible method for reducing or eliminating the incidence of opportunist pathogens (Balcazar, 2002; Balcazar et al., 2006). A study of antibiotic-producing marine bacteria shown by Rosenfeld and Zobell (1947), explained study about biological control agents had begun. Inhibitory effects were seen against *Vibrio anguillarum* in aquaculture by *Thalassobacter utilis*. This strain improved the survival rate of crab larvae *Portunus trituberculatus* while simultaneously decreasing the amount of *Vibrio* sp. in the aquatic condition to grow the larvae (Nogami and Maeda, 1992; Nogami et al., 1997; Middlemiss et al., 2015). The fish pathogen *V.*

*anguillarum* growth is inhibited by the bacterial strains found in the intestinal and skin mucus of adult marine turbot (*Scophthalmus maximus*) and dab (*Limanda limanda*) (Vijayaram and Kannan, 2018; Olsson et al., 1992). *Vibrio alginolyticus* strains as probiotics in Ecuadorian hatcheries have been advocated to boost white shrimp's growth and survival rate (*Litopenaeus vannamei*) post-larvae. In intensive larviculture systems, competitive exclusion of possibly harmful bacteria effectively decreases or eliminates the requirement for antibiotic prophylaxis (Garrigues, 1995). *Pseudomonas* I2 can control shrimp pathogenic vibrios, a marine bacterium strain obtained from estuarine environmental materials that recently generated inhibitory chemicals. This antibacterial compound is demonstrated for heat stable and low molecular weight, which is soluble in chloroform and resistant to proteolytic enzymes (Chythanya et al., 2002).

## 6. Source of Nutrients and Enzymatic Contribution to Digestion

According to several types of research, microorganisms are thought to have a significant part in the digestion process of aquatic animals. In fish, *Clostridium* sp. and *Bacteroides* have been found to aid in the host's nutrition, mainly by supplying fatty acids and vitamins (Sakata, 1990). Ring et al. (1995) found that *Pseudomonas* sp., *Microbacterium* sp., *Agrobacterium* sp., *Staphylococcus* sp., and *Brevibacterium* sp. all have a role in nutritional processes in arctic charr (*Salvelinus alpinus* L.). Furthermore, certain bacteria may help bivalve digestion by creating extracellular enzymes, including lipases and proteases, and providing essential growth factors (Prieur et al., 1990). Adult penaeid shrimp (*Penaeus chinensis*) have a comparable microbial flora, which supplies a complement of enzymes for digestion and the production of chemicals assimilated by the animal (Lara-Flores, 2011). Microbiota can be a source of vitamins or vital amino acids, and microbial activity in the digestive tract can be a source of additional food (Dall and Moriarty, 1983).

## 7. Improvement of Water Quality

*Bacillus* sp. in particular, has been associated with enhanced water quality. According to the research, gram-positive bacteria convert organic materials to

CO<sub>2</sub> more efficiently than gram-negative bacteria. During the manufacturing process, high populations of gram-positive bacteria can aid in minimizing the formation of dissolved and particulate organic carbon. *Bacillus* sp. increased water quality, survival, and growth rates in young *Penaeus monodon* improved the fish's health state, and reduced pathogenic vibrios (Dalmin et al., 2001; Fdhila et al., 2017).

## 8. Selection of Probiotics

Pathogens are exposed to putative probiotics or their extracellular products in a liquid (Sotomayor and Balcazar, 2016; Nandi et al., 2017) or solid medium to identify probiotics (Dopazo et al., 1988; Chythanya et al., 2002). In vitro activity in well-diffusion experiments and broth cultures, however, cannot be used to predict potential in vivo effects, according to Gram et al. (1999). In vitro antagonism of *Pseudomonas fluorescens* against *Aeromonas monicida*, for example, does not protect Atlantic salmon against furunculosis but is an effective probiotic in rainbow trout, offering protection against vibriosis (Gram et al., 2001). As a result, knowing the strain's origin (it's best to use strains isolated from the host), safety (non-pathogenicity), and capacity to survive transfer through the host's gastrointestinal system is crucial (e.g., bile tolerance, acidic pH, and enzyme-like proteases). The ability of microorganisms to colonize is usually recognized as one of the primary selection criteria for potential probiotics, which is the ability of probiotics to adhere effectively to the intestinal wall to limit or protect against pathogen colonization (Khaneghah et al., 2020; Monteagudo et al., 2019). In addition, potential probiotics must positively impact the host (e.g., improved nutritional quality and a solid immunological response). Finally, the probiotic must survive in regular preservation conditions and be suitable for industrial use in terms of technology. To summarise, the following are the approaches for selecting probiotic bacteria for use in aquaculture:

- i) obtaining basic information,
- ii) obtaining possible probiotics,
- iii) analyzing putative probiotics' ability to outcompete pathogenic strains,
- iv) assessing the pathogenicity of potential probiotics, and

- v) determining the host's reaction to possible probiotics.

Probiotics can be delivered to the host or introduced to its aquatic habitat in a variety of ways including live food:

- i) live food (Gomez-Gil et al., 1998),
- ii) bathing (Austin et al., 1995; Gram et al., 1999),
- iii) an additive to culture freshwater (Spanggaard et al., 2001), and
- iv) artificial foodstuffs (Spanggaard et al., 2001; Rengpipat et al., 2000).

For example, tanks inhibited harmful bacteria invasion by daily injection of probiotic bacteria at a density of  $10^5$  CFU ml<sup>-1</sup> into larval white shrimp (*L. vannamei*) during larval culture (Ahmadifard et al., 2019).

## 9. Regulations on Probiotics are Being Considered

The foundation upon which feed additives in the European Union were built has evolved in recent years. In the case of feed additives, efforts have been made to ensure that human health, animal health and welfare, environmental users, and consumer interests are well protected. The European Parliament produced the White Paper on Food Safety and Regulation, EC-No. 178/2002, to develop a food safety policy for the European Union, and the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) was founded (Regulation EC-No. 178/2002). From primary agriculture to animal feed safety to the consumer food supply, EFSA is involved in food production and delivery stages. Council Directive 70/524/EEC governs feed additives' licensing, marketing, and usage. Before a feed additive can be marketed or utilized, it must first be approved under the Directive's rules. To receive clearance, a manufacturer must submit a dossier with data and research demonstrating the product's efficacy and safety for animals, consumers, and the environment.

## 10. Factors Affecting the Efficiency of Probiotic Species

### 10.1 *In vitro* Trials

A few of the factors examined in these studies include hemolysis of the blood and antibiotic resistance, adherence assays, pH, and bile salt tolerance. Various sources have recommended various ways of selecting

probiotics. Such activities as blood hemolysis and pathogenic inhibition are performed after the initial examination of pathogenic activities (Gram et al., 2001; Carnevali et al., 2004; Venkat et al., 2004; Balcázar et al., 2008; Zorriehzaha et al., 2016; Bentzon-Tilia et al., 2016, Cao et al., 2018; Kuebutornye et al., 2019; Kuebutornye et al., 2020; Noor et al., 2020; Dawood et al., 2020). Blood hemolysis and pathogenic activity inhibition (Gobinath and Ramanibai, 2012). *In vitro* investigations can save money by reducing the number of animals needed for *In vivo* testing and the number of samples required. To begin testing antagonistic activity, pathogen antagonism assays are frequently recommended (Balcázar et al., 2008; Chemlal-Kherraz et al., 2012). Pathogenic inhibition and adhesive potentials have been employed in specific research (Grześkowiak et al., 2012), while others solely used the bacterial aggregation feature (Etyemez and Balcazar, 2016). Probiotics' potential can be gauged by looking at the relationship between cell surfaces—hydrophobicity and auto-aggregation (Wang et al., 2007). Researchers have looked at various criteria when choosing probiotics, including the ability to produce lactic acid and pH and bile salt tolerances due to pathogenic antagonism and antibiotic susceptibility. Munoz-Atienza et al. (2013), described how to choose probiotics based on hemolysin synthesis, antibiotic susceptibility, bile salt deconjugation, mucin breakdown, enzymatic activity, and antibiotic resistance genes. Dhruv et al. (2021) revealed the probiotic potential of gut microflora of Indian Major Carps (IMC). In certain studies, the characteristics of each isolate, including cell surface properties, auto-aggregation and co-aggregation, and adhesiveness to various substrates, have been observed to be unique.

### 10.2 *In vivo* Trials

Fish were given intra peritoneal administered probiotic cells to see how many died without developing severe pathogenic signs (Alyet al., 2008; Abd El-Rhman et al., 2009). Probiotics for tilapia have been evaluated using several criteria, such as the growth rate, illness resistivity, and several characteristics in the gut, and for microbiological changes, histological analyses, and hematological testing.

## 11. Use of Bacterial Species as a Probiotic

Increased productivity, illness resistance, enhanced immune function, and increased number of helpful microbes in the stomach and water are just a few of the health benefits of employing probiotics in aquaculture. By utilizing probiotics in aquaculture, it is possible to prevent antibiotic-related side effects. Moreover, probiotic potential has been shown to produce high efficiency on low protein diets, thereby lowering production costs. Additionally, different probiotic characteristics (high adherence versus low adherence) had different effects on hybrid tilapia FCR and weight gain. On the other hand, probiotics are effective even under extreme stock density and protein levels (Lara-Flores et al., 2003). At the same time, it seems to negatively influence tilapia fry growth (He et al., 2013; Standen et al., 2013). According to several studies, probiotics are beneficial for growth, immunity, blood chemistry, hematological and antioxidant properties, as well as for the gut microbiome and general public health. Adding probiotics to feed supplements allows for proper digestion and nutritional availability. Probiotics can help improve immune responses by being added to fish meals. When added to fish meals, probiotics can help prevent or treat various fish ailments. Several studies have shown that probiotics can help with growth (Table 1).

## 12. Discussion

From the above, it is clear that more caution must be exercised during the actinobacterial probiotic selection process, as probiotic research requires many tests to find a good strain (Kesarcodi-Watson et al., 2008). Species, strain biotype, water activity, temperature, hydrogen-ion concentration (pH), osmotic pressure, mechanical friction, and oxygen affect probiotic stability. The enzymes produced by marine actinobacteria provide a vital niche for probiotics, prebiotics, or their combination (synbiotics) approaches in aquaculture, with the ever-increasing need for probiotics and prebiotics. For selection criteria of possible probiotics, it is necessary to understand the mechanisms of action. To better understand the composition and functions of the indigenous microbiota and microbial cultures of probiotics more information on host/microbe interactions in vivo and the development of monitoring methods (e.g., molecular biology) are still

needed. Probiotics in aquaculture have mainly been based on historical and empirical evidence rather than scientific criteria. Probiotics are an essential management tool, but their effectiveness is contingent on knowledge of the nature of competition among species or strains.

## 13. Conclusion

The review of literature uncovered the promising impacts of probiotics in aquaculture. Aquaculture has arisen as a quickest developing approach as it offers a great animal protein that upholds the nutritional and food security. This developing aquaculture creation has number of imperatives as disease outbreak, high pressure condition, deficiency of fish feast for protein sources and so forth. The application of probiotics in aquaculture has acquired main focus as microbial candidates to maintain the health and wellbeing of number of fishes and other aquaculture animals. As compared to other physical and chemical methods, use of probiotics in aquaculture have been proved as a good alternative to improve feed utilization, stress response, maintenance of tissue integrity, disease resistance, and also to improve the quality of water for sustainable aquaculture. Therefore, the review implies that, probiotics has given new direction in modern aquaculture as a viable alternative for sustainable aquaculture.

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**Table 1** Applications of some selected bacterial species as a probiotic in aquaculture

Probiotic bacteria	Probiotics are used on aquatic organisms	Beneficial effects	References
<i>Aeromonas hydrophila</i>	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i> (Rainbow trout)	Reduces <i>Aeromonas salmonicida</i> infection	Irianto and Austin, 2002a, 2002b
<i>Aeromonas media</i> A199	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i> (Pacific oyster)	<i>Vibrio tubiashii</i> infection Reduced	Gibson 1999, 1998
<i>Aeromonas sobria</i> GC2	Rainbow trout	Protection against Infection of <i>Lactococcus garvieae</i> pro and <i>Streptococcus iniae</i> . Similarly protects against <i>Aeromonas bestiarum</i> (causative of fin rot) and Ichthyophthirius	Pieters et al., 2008; Brunt and Austin, 2005
<i>Agarivorans albus</i> F1-UMA	<i>Haliotis rufescens</i> (Abalone)	Viability has improved.	Silva-Aciareset al., 2011
<i>Alteromonas</i> CA2	Pacific oyster	Viability has improved.	Douillet and Langdon, 1994
<i>Alteromonas macleodii</i> 0444	<i>Perna canaliculus</i> (Greenshell mussel) <i>Pecten maximus</i> (Scallop)	<i>Vibrio splendidus</i> infection Control <i>Vibrio coralliilyticus</i> and <i>V.splendidus</i> infection Control	Kesarcodi-Watson et al., 2010, 2012
<i>Burkholderiacepacia</i> Y021	<i>Crassostreacorteziensis</i> (Cortezoyster)	Viability has improved, and the growth rate	Granados et al., 2012
<i>Enterobacter amnigenus</i>	Rainbow trout	Resistance to <i>Flavobacterium psychrophilum</i> has increased.	Burbank et al., 2011
<i>Neptunomonas</i> 0536	<i>Perna canaliculus</i> (Greenshell mussel)	Infection with <i>V. splendidus</i> is under control.	Kesarcodi-Watson et al., 2010, 2012
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> , <i>Pseudomonas synxantha</i>	<i>Penaeus latisulcatus</i> (Western king prawns)	The state of my health and the immune system has improved.	Hai et al., 2009
<i>Shewanella putrefaciens</i>	<i>Sparus aurata</i> L. (Gilthead seabream)	Juvenile growth has improved.	De la Banda et al., 2012;
<i>Arthrobacter</i> XE-7	<i>L. vannamei</i> (Pacific white shrimp)	Microbes in the intestine are altered.	Li et al., 2008
<i>Bacillus circulans</i> PB7	<i>Labeo rohita</i> (Rohu)	It protects against <i>A. hydrophila</i> and acts as an immunological booster.	Bandyopadhyay and Mohapatra, 2009
<i>Bacillus subtilis</i> and <i>Bacillus licheniformis</i>	Trout	Protects against <i>Yersinia ruckeri</i> , as well as bacterial pathogens.	Raida et al., 2003 Muras et al., 2021
<i>Bacillus subtilis</i>	<i>Labeo rohita</i> (Indian major carp) White shrimp <i>Ictalurus punctatus</i> (Channel catfish) and <i>Pangasianodon hypophthalmus</i> (Striped catfish)	<i>A. hydrophila</i> is controlled. Immunity to <i>V. harveyi</i> has improved, as has resistance to it. Due to Infection of <i>Edwardsiella ictaluri</i> , the mortality rate has decreased	Kumar et al., 2006 Zokaeifar et al., 2012 Zokaeifar et al., 2014 Ran et al., 2012
<i>Bacillus subtilis</i> UTM 126	<i>Litopenaeus vannamei</i> (Whiteshrimp)	Protection against vibriosis	Das et al., 2006
<i>Lactococcus lactis</i>	<i>Cyprinus carpio</i> (Common carp)	against <i>Aeromonas hydrophila</i> performance, innate immune response and disease resistance increases	Feng et al., 2019
<i>Paenibacillus himensis</i> NPUST1	<i>Oreochromis niloticus</i> (Nile tilapia)	bacteriocin-like activity improves growth performance and immunity against <i>Aeromonas hydrophila</i> and <i>Streptococcus iniae</i>	Chen et al., 2019
<i>Arthrobacter</i> XE-7	<i>Penaeus vannamei</i> (shrimp larvae culture)	improved survival and growth rates, phenoloxidase activity, phagocytic activity, and clearance efficiency of hemocyte	Xia et al., 2014
<i>Roseobacter</i> sp. BS107	Scallop larvae	Pathogen inhibition	Ruiz et al., 1999

<i>Flavobacterium sasangense</i> BA-3	Carp Culture	affected the innate immune parameters in a beneficial way	<a href="#">Chi et al., 2014</a>
<i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i>	Tilapia	increase gut microvilli length and trypsin activity	<a href="#">Ran et al., 2016</a>
<i>Bacillus baekryungensis</i>	Sea cucumber ( <i>Apostichopus japonicus</i> )	Improves growth has been reported in sea cucumber	<a href="#">Yan et al., 2014</a>
<i>Bacillus pumilus</i>	<i>Epinephelus coioides</i>	improved antagonistic activity	<a href="#">Sun et al., 2016</a>
<i>Bacillus clausii</i>	<i>Epinephelus coioides</i>	improves feed utilization	<a href="#">Wang et al., 2018</a>
<i>Bacillus coagulans</i>	<i>Oreochromis niloticus</i> (Tilapia)	Improves immune response and growth performance	<a href="#">Zhou et al., 2010</a>
	<i>Penaeus vannamei</i>	The activity of digestive enzymes rises.	<a href="#">Xu et al., 2014</a> <a href="#">Zhou et al., 2009</a>
<i>Bacillus velezensis</i>	<i>Carassius auratus</i>	Antimicrobial action against microorganisms that cause disease in fish.	<a href="#">Yi et al., 2018</a>
<i>Clostridium butyricum</i>	-	Influence of growth factor supplements	<a href="#">Vandak et al., 1995</a>
<i>Lactobacillus rhamnosus</i>	<i>Danio rerio</i>	Improves reproduction	<a href="#">Gioacchini et al., 2010</a>
<i>Lactobacillus delbrueckii</i>	<i>Cyprinus carpio</i>	enhanced immunity	<a href="#">Zhang et al., 2017</a>
<i>Lactobacillus casei</i> BL23	<i>Danio rerio</i>	significantly increase fecundity rate	<a href="#">Qin et al., 2017</a>
<i>Lactobacillus plantarum</i>	Pacific white shrimp	Increase growth and anti-stress capacity	<a href="#">Zheng et al., 2017</a> <a href="#">Xie et al., 2018</a>
<i>Weissella confusa</i> LS13	sea cucumber	Increase growth performance	<a href="#">Chen et al., 2018</a>
<i>Pseudomonas stutzeri</i>	-	improved both water quality and works as a denitrifying bacteria	<a href="#">Gao et al., 2019</a>
<i>Pseudoalteromonas elyakovii</i> HS1	sea cucumber	Increase the number of total coelomocytes, respiratory burst activity, lysozyme activity, and ACP activity.	<a href="#">Chi et al., 2014</a>
<i>Rhodopseudomonas palustris</i> G06	white shrimp	Improves the performance of juvenile white shrimp in terms of growth.	<a href="#">Wang and Gu, 2010</a>



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