Isolation, Characterization, and Identification of Endophytic Bacteria from Pichavaram Mangrove Forest with Haemolytic, Antibacterial, and Antioxidant Activity

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6 Abstract

Background Endophytes are colonized in the plant tissue, and there is no external sign of effect on their hot environment. These endophytic microorganisms were a revolutionary source for the enlargement of various probiotic and antibiotic progression. This paper gives an overview of the haemolytic activity, antimicrobial and antioxidant activity of endophytic bacteria.

Materials The strain was isolated from the leaves of *Rhizophora mucronate* and *Ceriops decandra* widely distributed in the coastal region of Pichavaram mangrove forest in Tamil Nadu. The Biochemical characterization of Endophytes and molecular identification of Endophytes was analyzed. Haemolytic activity, antimicrobial activity by agar well diffusion method, and DPPH free radical scavenging activity of the isolates was done.

Result The isolated strain was identified as *Bacillus siamensis*, *Bacillus paramycoides*, and *Cytobacillus firmus* respectively by molecular identification.

Conclusion: The isolated strain shows appreciable haemolytic and antioxidant activity. The agar well diffusion method of the endophytic isolates shows antimicrobial activity. It can be concluded that endophytic bacteria isolated from *Rhizophora mucronate* and *Ceriops decandra* leaves have a high potential for a new antibacterial source to be developed in the future.

Keywords: Endophytic bacteria, *Bacillus* species, Haemolytic activity, antimicrobial
 activity, antioxidant activity

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28 1. Introduction

Mangroves are woody trees and shrubs widely seen in marshy areas [1]. These plants 30 produce phytochemicals, and secondary metabolites have high medicinal potential. 31 The mangrove leaves, roots, and bark are used for the treatment of haemorrhages, 32 angina, and haematuria [2]. This group factors due to their specially developed 33 adaptive features such as their upright roots with buttresses, pneumatophore, as well 34 as the vast distribution of salt (4). Endophytes are microorganisms, particularly 35 bacteria and fungi, that live within mangroves and are beneficial to the host plant. 36 They play various roles in plant health, including promoting growth, enhancing 37 resistance to pathogens, and improving tolerance to environmental stresses. This 38 symbiotic relationship can enhance plant health and resistance to diseases or 39 pathogens, which leads to studies of the antimicrobial activities of bacterial 40 endophytes, focusing on their role in suppressing soil-borne plant pathogens (5). 41 Endophytes are a source of novel antibiotics that can be used to treat human diseases. 42 43 For example, the endophytic fungus *Pestalotiopsis microspora* produces pestalotiopsin, which has antibacterial properties. The endophytic fungus Penicillium 44 chrysogenum produces penicillin, one of the earliest discovered and widely used 45 antibiotics. The endophytic strain produced from *Rhizophora mucronata* had benefits 46 of antibacterial, cytotoxic, analgesic, and antiviral activities. These compounds can 47 inhibit viral replication and have potential applications in treating viral infections. 48 Rhizophora mucronata is a small to medium-sized evergreen tree growing to a height 49 of about 20 to 25 meters on the banks of rivers. On the fringes of the sea, 10 or 15 50 meters is a more typical height. 51

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54 Fig:1 The Leaves and root of *Rhizophora mucronata*



56 Fig:2 The Leaves and root of *Ceriops decandra*

Ceriops decandra is a shrub to small tree reaching 2 to 5m in height. The leaves are 57 oval to obovate, 4-9cm long and 2.5-6cm wide. Ceriops decandra is a shrubby, 58 mangrove tree species belonging to Rhizophoraceae family. It is commonly known as 59 the Indian Mangrove. The plant leaves were used for the treatment of gastrointestinal 60 disorders, infection, inflammation, and cancer. [3]. Endophytes strain of Ceriops 61 decandra have unique metabolic pathways that enable the synthesis of secondary 62 metabolites. These pathways are often different from those found in other 63 microorganisms, leading to the production of novel compounds. Endophytic bacteria, 64 especially from the genus Bacillus, produce lipopeptides like surfactin, fengycin, and 65 iturin.(10). These compounds have strong surfactant properties and can disrupt cell 66 membranes, leading to haemolysis. Haemolytic activity refers to the ability of a 67 substance to lyse red blood cells (erythrocytes) (12), leading to the release of 68 haemoglobin into the surrounding fluid. This activity can be indicated by the 69 70 production of certain enzymes of microorganisms highlighting the potential of bacterial endophytes in producing novel antibiotics (6,7). The strain of Bacillus has 71 shown antimicrobial activity against Staphylococcus aureus. The antioxidant activity 72 of Bacillus has significant implications for plant health, human medicine, and various 73 74 industrial applications. Endophytic Bacillus can enhance plant resistance against environmental aspects, such as drought, salinity, and pathogens, by producing 75

antimicrobial compounds (8,9). The present study is screening the antimicrobial, antioxidant, and haemolytic activity of *Bacillus siamensis*BBWCVES01, *Bacillus paramycoides* BWCVES05, *Bacillus paramycoides* BWCVES07 and *Cytobacillus firmus* BWCVES08 isolated from *Rhizophora mucronata* and *Ceriops decandra*. The cell-free isolates were processed for antimicrobial, antioxidant, and haemolytic activity by agar well diffusion method.

82 2. Methods and Materials

83 **2.1 Sample Collection and Isolation**

The leaves of *Rhizophora mucronate* and *Ceriops decandra* were collected from the Mangrove Forest present in the northeast coastal area of Pichavaram near Chidambaram in Tamil Nadu. The leaves were collected and transported in a sealed holder and kept at a cold room temperature of about 4°C for 24 hours. Endophytic bacteria were isolated and cultured by following a standard procedure. (5)

The surface-sterilized *Rhizophora mucronate* and *Ceriops decandra* leaves were used for isolation in aseptic conditions. The isolation method of Santos et.al. (2003) is followed. Plant material was washed with 70%ethanol for 2-5 min, and the material was dried for 4-5 hrs. The material was placed on agar medium plates at37°C temperature for 7-10 days. Different isolates were sub-cultured and purified.

94 2.2 Preliminary Identification of Endophytic Bacteria

The four isolates of endophytic bacteria were found by biochemical characteristicsand molecular investigations.

97 2.2.1 Biochemical characteristic of Endophytes

Biochemical test was done using HiAssorted Biochemical Test Kit (HiMedia #
KB002), which comprises 12 tests: 1) Citrate utilization, 2) Lysine utilization, 3)
Ornithine utilization, 4) Urease detection, 5) Phenylalanine deamination, 6) Nitrate
reduction, 7) H₂S production and five different carbohydrate utilization tests 8)
Glucose, 9) Adonitol, 10) Lactose, 11) Arabinose and 12) Sorbitol. The culture has
been processed for the Indole Test, Methyl Red Test, and Voge's Proskauer test for
further biochemical characterization analysis.

105 Indole

Each culture was inoculated in peptone water and incubated overnight at 37°C. After incubation, a few drops of Kovac's reagent were added. A red colour ring at the top indicated the positive reaction for indole and yellow colour indicated the negative reaction.

110 Methyl red

Each Culture was inoculated in glucose peptone broth and incubated at 37°C for 48 h.
After incubation, a few drops of methyl red indicator were added. A bright red colour
development indicated a positive reaction while the yellow colour indicated a
negative reaction.

115 Voge's Proskauer

Each culture was inoculated in glucose peptone broth and incubated at 37°C for 48 h. After incubation, 5 drops of Barrit's reagent A were added and mixed. Then, 3 drops of Barrit's reagent B were added and mixed. A pink colour development indicated a positive reaction, while a yellow colour indicated a negative reaction.

120 **2.2.2 Growth curve analysis**

The organism shows an increase in the cell size at the growth phase. The organisms were inoculated on the sterile broth and incubated under best growth conditions. The dynamics of the bacterial growth were studied by plotting the cell growth and the incubation time. This curve obtained is sigmoid and is known as a standard growth curve.

126 **2.2.3 Haemolytic Activity**

Four isolates were taken for the analysis of haemolytic activity. The Haemolytic activity of the isolates was carried out by 24-hour Nutrient Broth culture. The Supernatant was stored at 80° C. Human blood medium was prepared by adding 5ml of human blood in 100ml of Nutrient agar, then poured into a Petrich plate, punctured the well, and 10µl of the sample was added. The result was seen after 24 hours.

132 **2.2.4 Antimicrobial Activity**

The antimicrobial assay was performed by agar well diffusion method in Muller 133 Hinton Agar (MHA) plates. The culture was inoculated in Nutrient Broth and 134 incubated overnight at 37° C to adjust the turbidity of 0.5 McFarland standards, giving 135 a final inoculum of 1.5 x108CFU/ml. MHA plates were cultured with standardized 136 microbial culture broth. The concentration of the sample varied from 150-200µg/ml 137 with positive control as streptomycin 25mcg and 100% negative solvent control as 138 DMSO, respectively. The plate was incubated for 18-24 hours at 37°C. The zone of 139 inhibition was measured in mm. 140

141 **2.2.5. Antioxidant Property**

142 **DPPH free radical scavenging activity**

The DPPH assay method was based on the reduction of DPPH, a stable free radical. 143 The free radical DPPH with an odd electron gives a maximum absorption at 517 nm 144 (Mohammed et al., 2009). 4.3 mg of DPPH (1,1-Diphenyl-2-picrylhydrazyl) was 145 dissolved in 3.3mL methanol, it was protected from light by covering the test tubes 146 with aluminium foil. 50µL of various concentrations (20-200µg/mL) of the sample, 147 and standard compound (quercetin), were taken, and the volume was made uniformly 148 to 300µL using methanol, followed by the addition of 300µL of DPPH. Absorbance 149 was taken after 15 min at 517 nm using methanol as blank. The IC50 values of the 150 samples and standard were calculated using the formula 151

152 % Inhibition =
$$[(A0 - A1)/A0] \times 100$$

where A0 was the absorbance of the control and A1 was the absorbance in the presence of the sample or positive control.

155 2.2.6 Molecular Identification of Isolates

The genomic DNA of the endophytic bacteria was extracted by Arun Dell Land Jas Preet, 2005, and the genomic DNA of all four cultures was isolated and 16s rRNA sequencing was done to confirm their identity. The cultures were separately taken in Nutrient Broth at 30°C overnight. 4ml of each culture was taken in 2ml Eppendorf tube and centrifuged at 5000xg for 5 minutes. The cell pellet was taken and suspended in 200 μ L of TE buffer, and 400 μ L of Solution I (1% w/v lysosomes, 0.5 M NaCl, 1% w/v SDS) was added and mixed well. The tube was kept for 10 min at 37°C with

intermittent shaking after every 5 min. Immediately, an equal volume of PCI (phenol: 163 chloroform: isoamyl alcohol; 25:24:1) was added and mixed by inversion. 164 Centrifuged at 10000xg for 5 min at 37°C and carefully transferred the supernatant 165 into a new Eppendorf tube,100 µL of 3 M sodium acetate (pH 5.2) and 600 µL of 166 isopropanol were added and mixed gently by inverting the tube four to six times. 167 Centrifuged at 10000xg for 5 min at 37°C. The DNA was precipitated in the pellet. 168 The pellet was washed with 1 mL of 70% ethanol and centrifuged at 10000xg for 5 169 min. at 37°C. The supernatant was removed, and 50 mg of RNase was added to digest 170 the RNA contamination. The mixture was centrifuged at 10000xg for 5 min at 37°C to 171 remove the supernatant. The pellet was air dried and then suspended in 100 µL of 172 sterile glass distilled water and stored at -20°C for further use. The DNA was 173 analyzed on a 0.8% agarose gel with ethidium bromide. 174

175 2.2.7 16s rRNA genes amplification

The 16S rRNA genes of the genomic DNA of all four isolates were amplified using the following bacterial universal primers:

178 **Primers**

179 **27 F**: 5' AGAGTTTGATCC TGGCTCAG 3'

180 **1492 R**: 5' GGTTACCTTGTT ACGACTT 3'

Each amplification reaction included 12.5 μ L of premix (2x master mix red) containing 2.5 U *Taq* DNA polymerase, PCR buffer, 1.5 mM MgCl₂ and 200 μ M dNTPs (Ampliqon, Denmark), 1 μ L of template DNA, 1 μ L (20 pmol) of each primer and 9.5 μ L of sterile double distilled water in a final volume of 25 μ L. PCR was performed in an automated My Gene TM Peltier Thermal Cycler (MG96G) with the following conditions:

- **187 PCR conditions**
- 188 Initial denaturation: 94°C for 4 min
- 189 Denaturation : 94° C for 1 min 35 cycles
- 190 Annealing: 55° C for 1 min

191 Extension: 72° C for 2 min

Each PCR product was analyzed on a 1.2 % agarose gel with ethidium 192 bromide (0.5µg mL⁻¹) and 1×TAE buffer. Electrophoresis was carried out at 100 V 193 until the tracking dye migrated to the end of the gel. Ethidium bromide-stained DNA 194 bands were viewed under a UV transilluminator and photographed for documentation. 195 PCR products were sequenced after purification with the support of a service provider, 196 Eurofins Genomics India Pvt Ltd. Bangalore, India. DNA bands were viewed under a 197 UV transilluminator and photographed for documentation. PCR products were 198 sequenced after purification with the support of a service provider, Eurofins 199 Genomics India Pvt Ltd. Bangalore, India. 200

The identification of the isolates was performed using the BLAST (http://blast ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/blast/Blast.in) in NCBI. Using the sequence match application and BLAST to verify the similarity of experimental sequences with the reference sequence in the Database (14) and classified them at genius level.

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- 209 **Result:**

210 Table 3.1.1 Biochemical Characteristics of Endophytic Bacteria

S. No	Test	Test Biochemical Characterization			
		Bacillus	Bacillus	Bacillus	Cytobacillus
		<i>Siamensis</i> BWC	<i>Paramycoides</i> BW	Paramycoides	<i>Firmus</i> BWCV
		VES01	CVES05	BWCVES07	ES08
1.	Citrate utilization	-	+	+	+
2.	Lysine utilization	+	-	-	-
3.	Ornithine utilization	-	+	+	+
4.	Urease detection	+	+	+	+
5.	Phenylalanin e deamination	-	+	+	+

6.	Nitrate	-	+	+	+
	reduction				
7.	H_2S	+	+	+	+
	production				
8.	Glucose	+	-	+	+
9.	Adonitol	+	-	+	+
10.	Lactose	-	+	-	-
11.	Arabinose	-	+	-	-
12.	Sorbitol	+	-	+	+

+ means presence and -means absence 211

Table 3.1.2(a) 212

Growth curve 213

Endoph	Bacillus	Bacillus	Bacillus	Cytobacillus
ytes	<i>Siamensis</i> BWCV	ParamycoidesBWC	Paramycoides BWC	<i>Firmus</i> BWCV
isolates	ES01	VES05	VES07	ES08
Time		O.D at 6	560 nm	
0	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06
12	0.1	0.31	0.1	0.13
24	0.16	0.36	0.15	0.18
36	0.2	0.41	0.21	0.22
48	0.24	0.44	0.23	0.26
60	0.26	0.45	0.24	0.28
72	0.28	0.35	0.23	0.27
84	0.25	0.32	0.2	0.25

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Table 3.1.2(b) 216

Td (Doubling time) in
minutes
99.92279
233.1532
162.3745
5.843814

Table 3.1.3 Antimicrobial Activity of Endophytes 217

	Bacillus	Bacillus	Bacillus	Cytobacillus
Pathoge	SiamensisBWCV	ParamycoidesBWC	Paramycoides stainB	<i>Firmus</i> BWCV
ns	ES01(mm)	VES05(mm)	WCVES07(mm)	ES08(mm)
E.Coli	8.67±3.06	7.67±1.53	7.±3	7±3
Pseudo				
monas				
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osa	8.33 ± 2.08	3.00 ± 3.00	7.00 ± 2.64	0

Streptoc				
occus				
aureus	8.66±1.52	0	0	7.00 ± 2.00
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ROL		11±	11.00	
DSMO			0	

219 Table 3.1.4(a) Antioxidant Activity of Endophytes

220 DPPH free radical scavenging activity

		Bacillus			
	Bacillus	Paramycoide		Cytobacillus	
Conc.	Siamensis	S	Bacillus	Firmus	Standard
µg/mL	BWCVES0	BWCVES05	Paramycoides BWCVES0	BWCVES0	(Quercetin
	1		7	8	
20	0.85	12.76	21.7	30.21	23.53
40	3.82	33.19	23.82	33.19	41.96
60	18.72	38.29	31.06	39.57	48.82
80	21.7	40	33.19	42.55	72.94
100	28.08	44.68	43.82	46.8	92.78
120	31.48	48.93	48.51	53.61	95.37
140	35.74	51.48	51.06	55.31	96.87
160	49.36	54.46	61.7	56.59	97.21
180	60	57.8	68.51	61.27	97.93
200	71.48	58.29	74.46	69.36	98.67

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222 Table 3.1.4(b)Antioxidant activity expressed in IC50 value of Endophytes

Strain	Scavenging activity	IC50mg/ml
Bacillus SiamensisBWCVES01	32.12±22.9	162.07
Bacillus	43.98±13.84	
ParamycoidesBWCVES05		138.96
Bacillus	45.78±18.46	
Paramycoides stainBWCVES07		127.58
Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08	48.84±12.56	127.22
Standard (Quercetin)	76.60±28.27	78.48

223 **3.1.5 Identification of Endophytes**

Bacterial Isolate	BWC 01	BWC05	BWC07	BWC08
Accession Number	MW644759	MZ540882	MW714680	MW431011
National Center	Bacillus	Bacillus	Bacillus	
for Biotechnology	siamensis	paramycoides	paramycoides	Cytobacillus
Information	strain	strain	strain	firmus strain
(NCBI)	BWCVES01	BWCVES05	BWCVES07	BWCVES08
Percentage	99.72	98	99.86	99.79

Similarity				
		Gram-positive	Gram-positive	
Microscopic	Gram-positive	rodsGram	rodsGram	Gram-positive,
Identification	rods	positive, rods	positive, rods	rods
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- Fig:3 Haemolytic activity of samples 1- Bacillus Siamensis BWCVES01, sample-2-
- 231 Bacillus Paramycoides BWCVES05, sample-7- Bacillus
- 232 Paramycoides stainBWCVES07, and sample-8- Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08



Fig:4(a) Biochemical characterization of *Bacillus Siamensis*BWCVES01, *Bacillus*

236 ParamycoidesBWCVES05, Bacillus Paramycoides stainBWCVES07, Cytobacillus

237 *Firmus*BWCVES08

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- Fig4(b) Indole and Methyl Red test (1)Bacillus SiamensisBWCVES01 (2) Bacillus
- ParamycoidesBWCVES05, (3) Bacillus Paramycoides stainBWCVES07, and (4)
- 244 Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08



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Fig:4(c) Voge's Proskauer test Tube 1: Bacillus SiamensisBWCVES01; Tube 2: *Bacillus Paramycoides*BWCVES05; Tube 3: Bacillus

248 *Paramycoides_stain*BWCVES07; Tube 4: *Cytobacillus Firmus*BWCVES08





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- Fig:5(a) Antimicrobial activity Against *E.Coli* of samples 1- *Bacillus*
- 252 SiamensisBWCVES01, sample-2- Bacillus ParamycoidesBWCVES05, sample-7-
- 253 Bacillus Paramycoides stainBWCVES07, and sample-8- Cytobacillus
- 254 *Firmus*BWCVES08



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Fig:5(b) Antimicrobial activity Against *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* of samples 1-*Bacillus Siamensis*BWCVES01, sample-2- *Bacillus Paramycoides*BWCVES05,
sample-7- *Bacillus Paramycoides* stainBWCVES07, and sample-8- *Cytobacillus Firmus*BWCVES08.





Fig:5(c)Antimicrobial activity Against *Streptococcus aureus* of samples 1- *Bacillus Siamensis*BWCVES01, sample-2- *Bacillus Paramycoides*BWCVES05, sample-7-*Bacillus Paramycoides* stainBWCVES07, and sample-8- *Cytobacillus*

- 266 *Firmus*BWCVES08
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- Fig 6 Genomic DNA isolation of the isolates
- 274 Lane1: Marker; Lane 2: Bacillus SiamensisBWCVES01 Lane 3Bacillus
- 275 ParamycoidesBWCVES05; Lane 4: Bacillus Paramycoides stainBWCVES07; Lane
- 276 5: *Cytobacillus Firmus*BWCVES08



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- Fig:7 16S rRNA amplified products of the isolates
- Lane1: Marker; Lane 2: Bacillus SiamensisBWCVES01 ; Lane 3:Bacillus
- 281 ParamycoidesBWCVES05; Lane 4: Bacillus Paramycoides stainBWCVES07; Lane
- 282 5: Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08









Sample 2

- Fig:9(a) Antioxidant activity of samples 1- Bacillus SiamensisBWCVES01, sample-2-
- 290 *Bacillus Paramycoides*BWCVES05



Fig:9(b) Antioxidant activity of sample-7- *Bacillus Paramycoides* stainBWCVES07, and sample-8- *Cytobacillus Firmus*BWCVES08 with standard



Fig:10 Antioxidant activity of samples 1- Bacillus SiamensisBWCVES01, sample-2Bacillus ParamycoidesBWCVES05, sample-7- Bacillus Paramycoides
Antioxidant activity of sample 8- C (choile activity of sample 2000)

stainBWCVES07, and sample-8- Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08





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- 302 Fig:11 Growth Curve analysis samples 1- Bacillus Siamensis BWCVES01, sample-2-
- 303 Bacillus Paramycoides BWCVES05, sample-7- Bacillus Paramycoides
- stainBWCVES07, and sample-8- Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08
- 305 *Bacillus Siamensis*BWCVES01
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- 407 Fig:12 16srRNA sequence of samples 1- Bacillus SiamensisBWCVES01, sample-2-
- 408 *Bacillus Paramycoides*BWCVES05, sample-7-*Bacillus Paramycoides*
- stainBWCVES07, and sample-8- Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08
- 410 BLAST ANALYSIS

411 Bacillus SiamensisBWCVES01



417 stainBWCVES07, and sample-8- Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08









Endophytes otherwise called rhizosphere bacteria, play a significant role in plant yield 449 and growth promotion for plants and protection of plants. (20; 21). The characteristic 450 of endophytic bacteria can accelerate seedling emergence and help the legume and 451 non-legume plants with Nitrogen Fixation and phosphate solubilization (17) or iron 452 chelation (16). In drug development, it was essential to balance antimicrobial efficacy 453 with safety. Compounds with high antimicrobial activity but low hemolytic activity 454 are ideal candidates (11,12). Research is ongoing to develop compounds that show 455 selective toxicity towards pathogenic cells and cancer cells (13). The table 3.1.1. 456

shows the biochemical properties of Bacillus SiamensisBWCVES01, Bacillus 457 ParamycoidesBWCVES05, Bacillus *Paramycoides* stainBWCVES07. and 458 Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08. Table 3.1.2(a) shows the growth curve analysis 459 of Bacillus SiamensisBWCVES01, Bacillus ParamycoidesBWCVES05, Bacillus 460 Paramycoides stainBWCVES07, and Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08. Table 3.1.2(b) 461 shows the doubling time of the isolates in minutes. The endophytic bacterial isolates 462 have antibacterial activity in both gram-positive and gram-negative bacteria. Table 463 3.1.3 shows the antimicrobial activities of Bacillus Siamensis BWCVES01, Bacillus 464 ParamycoidesBWCVES05, Bacillus Paramycoides stainBWCVES07, and 465 Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08. Table 3.1.4(a) shows the antioxidant activity of the 466 Bacillus SiamensisBWCVES01, Bacillus ParamycoidesBWCVES05, 467 Bacillus Paramycoides stainBWCVES07, and Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08 by DPPH free 468 radical scavenger activity method. Table 3.1.4(b) shows the IC50 value of Bacillus 469 SiamensisBWCVES01, Bacillus ParamycoidesBWCVES05, Bacillus Paramycoides 470 stainBWCVES07, and Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08. Table 3.1.5 shows the 471 472 molecular identification of Bacillus SiamensisBWCVES01. **Bacillus** Bacillus Paramycoides ParamycoidesBWCVES05, stainBWCVES07, and 473 Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08. Fig.3 shows the haemolytic activity of Bacillus 474 475 SiamensisBWCVES01, Bacillus ParamycoidesBWCVES05, Bacillus Paramycoides stainBWCVES07, and Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08. Fig 4(a) shows the 476 biochemical characterization of the isolates and Fig(b) and (c) show the colour 477 formation of the Indole test, Methyl Red test, and Voge's Proskauer test. Fig 5(a) 478 shows the antibacterial activity of Bacillus SiamensisBWCVES01, Bacillus 479 ParamycoidesBWCVES05, Bacillus Paramycoides stain BWCVES07, 480 and Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08 against E.Coli. Fig5(b) shows the antibacterial 481 activity of Bacillus SiamensisBWCVES01, Bacillus ParamycoidesBWCVES05, 482 Bacillus Paramycoides stain BWCVES07, and Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08 483 against Pseudomonas aeruginosa. Fig5(c) shows the antimicrobial activity of Bacillus 484 485 SiamensisBWCVES01, Bacillus ParamycoidesBWCVES05, Bacillus Paramycoides stain BWCVES07, and Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08 against Streptococcus 486 aureus. Fig6 shows the genomic DNA isolation of Bacillus SiamensisBWCVES01, 487 Bacillus ParamycoidesBWCVES05, Bacillus Paramycoides stainBWCVES07, and 488 Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08. Fig 7 shows the 16srRNA amplified of Bacillus 489 SiamensisBWCVES01, Bacillus ParamycoidesBWCVES05, Bacillus Paramycoides 490

stainBWCVES07, and Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08. Fig 8 shows the graphical 491 presence of antimicrobial activity Fig 9 (a) shows the statical analysis of the 492 antioxidant activity of **Bacillus** SiamensisBWCVES01, **Bacillus** 493 Bacillus Paramycoides ParamycoidesBWCVES05, stainBWCVES07, and 494 Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08. The R-value 0.9 shows the antioxidant activity of 495 the isolates. Fig 10 shows the antioxidant activity of the four isolates. Fig 11 shows 496 the of Bacillus SiamensisBWCVES01. **Bacillus** growth curve 497 ParamycoidesBWCVES05, **Bacillus** Paramycoides stainBWCVES07. 498 and Cytobacillus Firmus BWCVES08. Figs 12 and 13 show the 16SrRNA sequences sent 499 in NCBI and BLAST analysis. Fig 14 shows the phylogenic tree of Bacillus 500 SiamensisBWCVES01, Bacillus ParamycoidesBWCVES05, Bacillus Paramycoides 501 stainBWCVES07, and Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08.Partial 16SrRNA sequences 502 were used for the construction of a phylogenetic tree using the Neighbour-joining 503 method. The homologus 16SrRNA sequence were aligned using the multiple-504 sequence alignment tools 'CLUSTER-W' in MEGA7 software (22). The phylogenetic 505 tree was constructed using the neighborjoining and maximum likelihood method (23). 506 BLAST searches of the 16SrRNA sequences obtained from the isolated bacterial 507 508 strains were performed in the NCBI databases.

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511 Conclusion

Endophytes are a promising area of research and application in plant science. Their ability to promote growth, enhance stress resistance, and provide biocontrol offers significant potential for sustainable agriculture, environmental remediation, and biotechnology. Further exploration and understanding of these symbiotic organisms can lead to innovative solutions for global agricultural and environmental challenges.

The knowledge of the diversity of endophytic bacteria in plants and medicinal plants is important to explore their capabilities in various fields of biotechnology (24). And hence cultivable endophytic bacterial isolation was confined to the aerial parts of the plant. The isolates of *Bacillus Siamensis*BWCVES01, *Bacillus*

ParamycoidesBWCVES05, Bacillus Paramycoides stainBWCVES07, 522 and Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08 were found by 16sRNA and compared the similarity 523 with other sequences in NCBI by Blast analysis. All four isolates show 99% similarity 524 in blast analysis and were named and then sent to NCBI. The strains Bacillus 525 SiamensisBWCVES01, Bacillus ParamycoidesBWCVES05, Bacillus Paramycoides 526 stainBWCVES07, and Cytobacillus FirmusBWCVES08 show antimicrobial activity, 527 haemolytic activity, and antioxidant activity. The future study expectation is drug 528 development from these endophytes. In conclusion, this study revealed that the 529 endophytic isolates produced bioactive compounds with good antimicrobial and 530 antioxidant activities 531

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