

## A Brief Study on Streptomyces as PGRP (Plant Growth Promoting Rhizobacteria)

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### Abstract

Numerous beneficial bacteria infiltrate plant tissue, and plants develop complex strategies for dealing with these new microbial neighbours. The plant may benefit from certain interactions, while others might be detrimental. Plant surfaces get colonised by bacteria in response to a demand for nutrients or protection. Numerous plant species have beneficial microorganisms living in their root systems. These include rhizobia, actinobacteria (particularly streptomycetes), and mycorrhizal fungus (mycorrhizal partnership). Confirmed by in vitro experiments in pots, the results imply that Streptomyces sp. M4 antagonists: “cells/culture supernatant/EtOAc-M4 extract/salvianolic acid B, efficiently battle Alternaria black blight disease” when applied as seed salads. Streptomyces sp. M4 culture cells, culture fluid, EtOAc-M4 extract, and promo code acid B were applied to seeds infected with fungal diseases, and the results revealed significant improvements in several agronomic criteria compared to crops exposed to the pathogens alone.

**Keywords:** Stretomyces, plant growth promoting rhizobacteria, Chromatography, High performance liquid chromatography, Aspergillus etc.

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### Introduction

In an effort to replace conventional chemical controls and limit the overuse of fungicides, which can cause plant pathogens to develop resistance, the use of microbial antagonists as a weapon against illnesses produced fungus has been the subject of a significant number of recent research. In agriculture, non-toxic alternatives to traditional pesticides, such as biocontrol bacteria and plant growth stimulants, are gaining favour. Conventional pesticides may be dangerous. Streptomyces spp. and their metabolites have the potential to be extremely powerful agents for controlling a broad variety of fungal and bacterial phytopathogens.

This is one of the many possibilities. The microbial communities found in rhizosols include streptomycetes, which are efficient colonisers of plant tissues. They may be employed as biocontrol agents in a variety of agricultural systems due to their ability to actively manufacture Streptomycetes have been widely used as biofertilizers to boost plant productivity because of evidence that they may stimulate plant growth in a variety of crops. This study focuses on the functional features mediated by Streptomyces spp., including increased plant growth and biocontrol of

phytopathogens. Streptomyces, for their resilience in adverse conditions, have gained popularity as plant growth-promoting Streptomyces (PGPS) in recent years. Since different Streptomyces strains are capable of producing different antibacterial chemicals, enzymes, and vitamins, they are useful to the environment and to many different types of agricultural plants (Kinkel et al., 2012; Qin et al., 2017). Directly, Streptomyces stimulates plant development by producing antibiotics and cell wall disintegrating enzymes, and indirectly, by blocking the invasion of phytopathogens (Doubou et al., 2001).

In contrast, growth hormones (such as gibberellins, auxins, and cytokinins), siderophore synthesis, nitrogen fixation, mineral solubilization, hydrogen cyanide (HCN), and adenosine cyclase (ACC) deaminase production all fall under the category of direct promotion (El-Tarabily, 2008; Palaniyandi et al., 2014) (Fig. 2.17). Seeds of barley, oats, wheat, and carrots treated with a Streptomyces griseus (Krainsky) strain were shown to exhibit improved growth in terms of grain production, dry leaf weight, tiller number, and early head emergence, as reported by Merriman et al. (1974). The isolate was first chosen for the purpose of biological control of

Rhizoctonia solani. Plant development may be affected both directly and indirectly by actinobacteria and other pathogenic soil microbes.

Actinobacteria have been shown to boost plant development in a number of studies; for instance, Ames (1989), Tylka et al. (1991), Doumbou et al. (2001), and Abdalla and Abdel-Fattah (2000) all found that actinobacteria increased the intensity of mycorrhizal formation. Streptomyces atrovirens ASU14 was the highest IAA generating isolate out

of 210 actinobacteria examined by Abd-Alla et al. (2013).

Ninety actinobacteria isolates were obtained from rice rhizosphere; sixty-five of these isolates used tryptophan to make IAA; and Streptomyces sp. VSMGT1014 was the most effective isolate in terms of IAA production (Harikrishnan et al., 2014). Tomato plant growth was greatly stimulated by an IAA-producing S. fradiae NKZ-259, as reported by Myo et al. (2019).

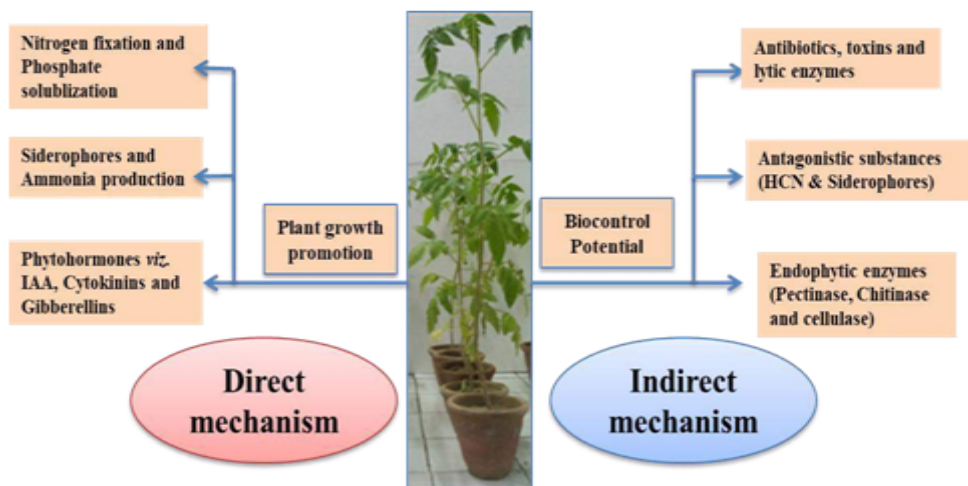


Figure 1: Direct and indirect mechanisms of plant growth promotion by Streptomyces

**Aim and Objectives of the Study:**

1. Isolation of a species of Streptomyces from the soil samples that were gathered.
2. Evaluation of Streptomyces as PGPR (Plant growth promoting rhizobacteria)

**Materials and Methods**

**Plant Growth Promoting Potential of Streptomyces SP. M4:** Formation of indole from acetic acid, In order to create indole acetic acid, Streptomyces civilisations were inoculated into ISP2 water with 0.2% (w/v) L-tryptophan on day 7 and maintained at 28 degrees C with 180 rotations

per minute for 10 days (IAA). Once a day, the pans were gathered, then centrifuged at 10,000 rpm for 10 minutes to separating their excess from the cells. Two millilitres of Salkowski reagent were injected to one millilitre of the mitochondria liquid after it had been incubated for 25 minutes at the dark room temperature. When indole acetic acid was synthesised, a pink colour appeared with an intensity of 530nm. Generation of indole acetic (IAA) was measured relative to a standard using the extract.

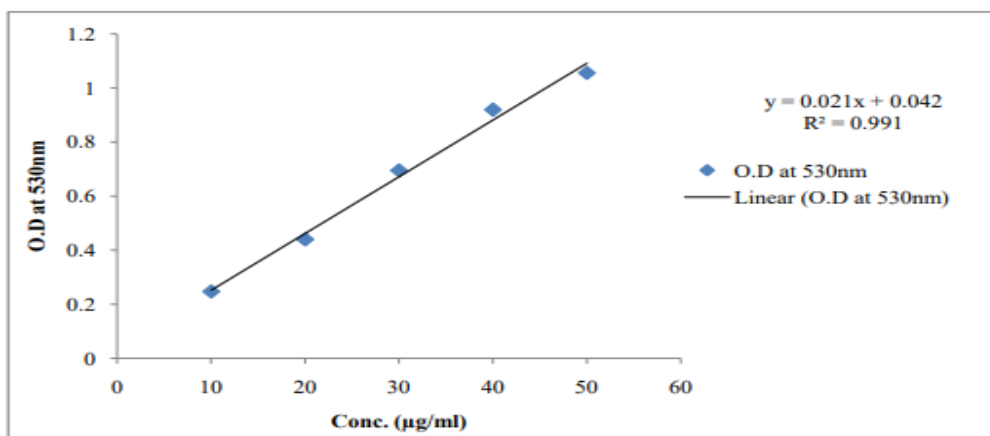


Figure 2: Standard curve of IAA (indole acetic acid)

**Extraction of crude IAA:** By use of a sol - gel process, abscisic acid was extracted from the culture supernatant. After bringing the pH of the supernatant down to 3 with 1N HCl, it was abstracted twice with petroleum ether.

Extraction was carried out at 40 degrees Celsius, and the acetone fraction was then condensed using a rotator evaporator. An ethyl acetate and water solution containing 1 millilitre of the extract was kept at room temperature (20 degrees Celsius).

**Detection of IAA by thin layer chromatography:** Thin-layered chromatography utilizing grade F254 before the silica gel 60 TLC plates (20x20cm) was used to detect IAA in EtOAc-M4 extracted (E-Merck, Germany). We used a tube to put discrete amounts of EtOAc-M4 IAA extract at various locations also on plate, and then we let the alcohol front enough spread to cover around 80% of both the wells.

The spots were eluted in a mixture of alcohol, ethyl acetate, and formic acid (35:55:10). When we sprayed the dishes with Ehmann reagent and examined them under UV light (254 nm), we found spots with Rf values identical to those of real IAA.

**Detection of IAA by High Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC):** Using a Capillary column (5m; 25 x 0.46cm) and an extraction solvent (90:10) sample solution 0.1%  $y = 0.021x + 0.042$   $R^2 = 0.991$  for 3 hours, we tested the EtOAc-M4 IAA extracted by HPLC.  $\text{ml} / \text{min}$  (mL/min) Contents (g/mL) OD at 530nm Detector for Ultraviolet Radiation (nm) Linear (O.D. at 530nm) concentrated hydrochloric acid acid heated at 40 degrees Celsius and let to run for 30 minutes. In order to determine the extent to which IAA was

included in the EtOAc extract, we compared the elution trend of pure IAA injected independently.

**Effect of EtOAc extract on Vigna radiata:** An in vitro experiment was performed on Aerial part to determine how the presence of EtOAc extracted (bearing IAA) affected the plant's tendency to produce lateral roots. After being exposure to sodium alkaline solution (2% aqueous solution) for 5 mins, the embryos were rinsed using distilled water (three times). Sterile seeds were sown on petri plates lined with filter paper. EtOAc-IAA extract was sprayed to petri plates at quantities of 12.5, 25, 50, 100, and 200 g/ml and then held at 0 ° c to stimulate seedling growth and early seedling growth.

After 7 days, we examined the root system, recorded a rhizomes, checked the thickness of the shoots, & tallied the roots. At least thrice, we tried this experiment.

## Result

### Plant Growth Potential of Streptomyces SP. M4

**Synthesis of IAA and Chromatographic Verification:** As can be observed in Fig. 1.2a, IAA level surged at 70.46 g/ml around day 4 of incubation. Recovery of putative IAA (petroleum ether extract) form M4 cell-free broth culture was confirmed by TLC using a bioequivalent IAA sample with a Coefficient of determination of 0.92. (Fig. 1.2b). Reaches a maximum at 4.742 and 4.763 minutes were seen in an HPLC analysis of an extracted ethyl acetate and the corresponding authentic standard of IAA (Fig. 1.3a and 1.3b).



Figure 3: a) IAA production by Streptomyces sp. M4; b) thin layer chromatography of standard IAA and EtOAc-M4 extract (under UV light) with Rf value 0.92. Column and bars represent the mean  $\pm$  SE

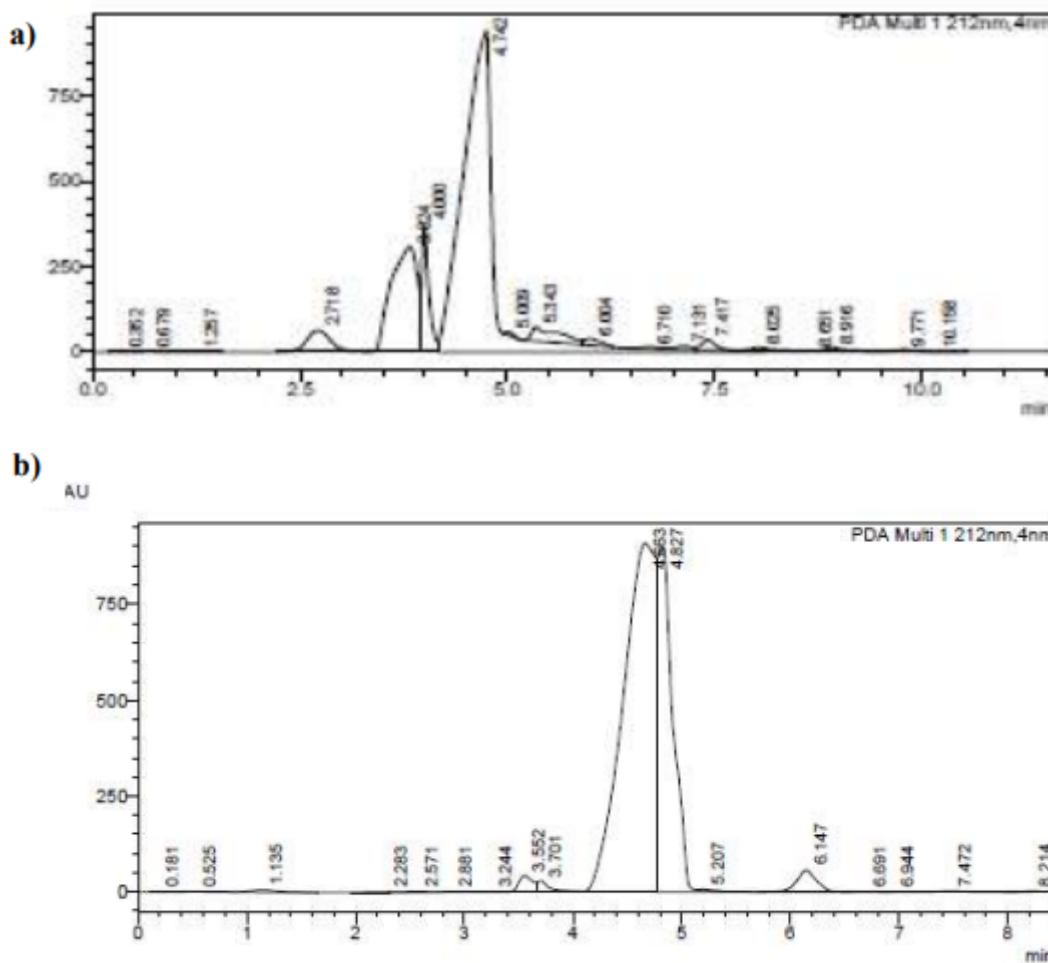


Figure 4: HPLC chromatogram of a) IAA standard and b) EtOAc extract of *Streptomyces sp. M4*

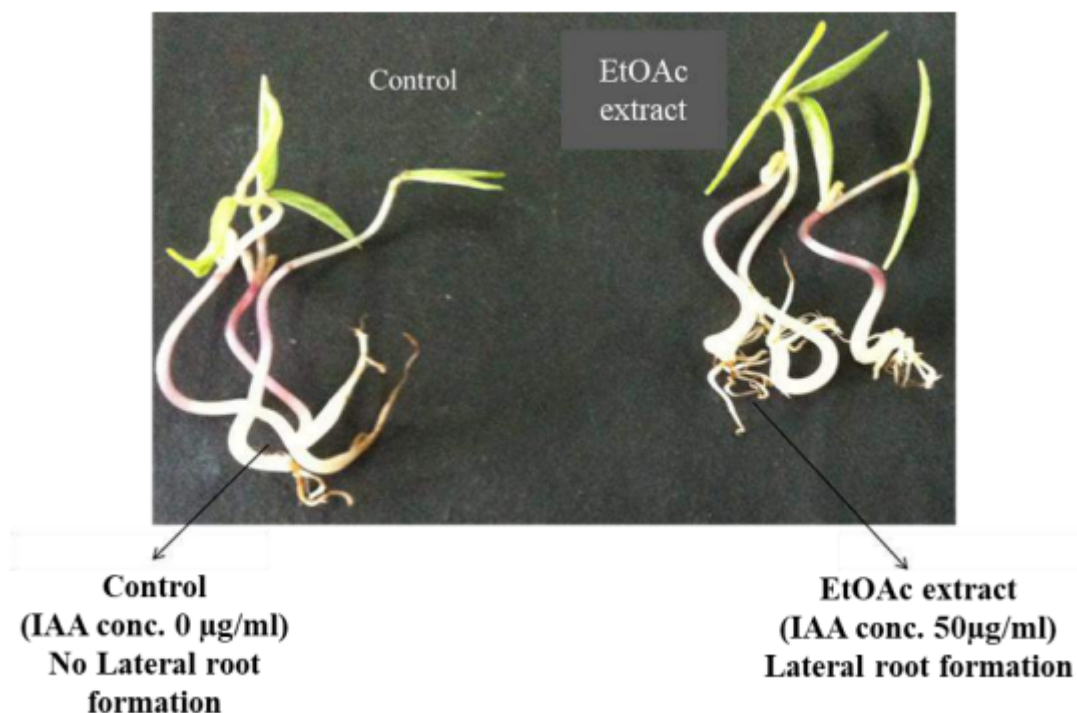
**In vitro Examining the Role of Indole Acetic Acid in Seed Germination and Root Development:** To examine the effect of IAA on sprouting and root development in *V. radiata* seeds, we treated them with EtOAc preparation containing different concentrations of IAA (12.5-200 g/ml) (Table 1.1 and Fig. 1.4). Plant control with an EtOAc extractor at a dosage of 50-200 g/ml showed

a 100-percent improvement in germination over the healthy controls.

After being treated with the EtOAc extractor, the plant's height increased from 2.13 inches to 5.63 inches, its depth from 2.10 inches to 4.92 inches, its numbers of lateral roots from 3.05 to 12.06, and its overall vigour (504.24 to 1055.00).

Table 1: In vitro study of effect of IAA on seed germination and root growth in *V. radiata*

Treatment	Seed germination (%)	Number of lateral roots	Root length (in cm)	Shoot length (in cm)	Seed Vigour
Control	76±0.28	3.05±0.05	2.10±0.10	2.13±0.12	504.24
12.5 (µg/ml)	80±0.20 (5.26)	3.30±0.10 (8.19)	2.25±0.25 (7.14)	3.56±0.32 (67.13)	464.80
25.0 (µg/ml)	95±0.28 <sup>b</sup> (25.0)	4.45±0.20 (31.46)	3.56±0.21 (69.52)	4.43±0.16 <sup>b</sup> (107.98)	759.05 <sup>b</sup>
50.0 (µg/ml)	100±0.0 <sup>a</sup> (31.58)	6.77±0.22 <sup>b</sup> (121.96)	4.67±0.24 (122.38)	4.65±0.12 <sup>b</sup> (118.30)	932.00
100.0 (µg/ml)	100±0.0 (31.58)	12.06±0.31 (295.40)	4.75±0.31 (126.19)	4.79±0.12 <sup>b</sup> (124.88)	954.00
200.0 (µg/ml)	100±0.0 (31.58)	13.05±0.40 (327.86)	4.92±0.07 (134.28)	5.63±0.17 (164.31)	1055.00



**Figure 5: Effect of IAA on seed germination and root development in *V. radiate***

### Discussion

It was shown in in vitro studies in pots that *Streptomyces* sp. M4 opponents "cells/culture supernatant/EtOAc-M4 extract/salvianolic acid B" were particularly efficient as seed coatings against *Fusarium oxysporum* fsp black caused by phytophthora. Many agronomic metrics improved significantly in fungal spore-infected samples treated w *Streptomyces* sp. M4 culture microbes, culture supernatant, EtOAc-M4 extract, and domains. " acid B compared to untreated seeds.

In the absent of infection stress, numerous plant development traits improved after foliar spray with *Streptomyces* sp. M4 antagonists. Last but not least, the pure ingredient was discovered to be the highly effective cure in the present and existence of fungal infection, exceeding all other medications evaluated, especially mancozeb, a professional fungicide.

Furthermore, in vitro pot experiments were performed against *Aspergillus* wilt disease to evaluate the biocontrol efficacy of *Streptomyces* sp. M4 utilising the soil-drenched method. The shoot magnitude of *F.* removal from the body plants in pots increased by 160.40 percent, the root length by 88.46 percent, the wet weight by 600 percent, the dry weight of the roots by 383.87 percent, and the dry weight of the shoots by 221.9 percent after being cultivated in soil supplemented with *Streptomyces* sp. M4 ideology cells, culture centrifuging, and EtOAc-M4 extract. Tomato plants that grow in pots (soil) addressed with it

with tradition spermatogonial (250g/ml) had significant increases in root growth (86.34-141.28), root length (54.13-88.62%), wet weight (shoot) (132.87-194.52%), dry weight (70.58-123.52%), and rhizosphere dry weight (33.33-61.11%) versus the control group (water). The most effective treatment was the culture fluent, followed more by culture cells, and lastly the EtOAc extract.

The indole acetic acid (IAA) emission by *Streptomyces* sp. reached 70.46 g/ml on day 4 of growth. *L. cv* seedlings produced with EtOAc-M4 IAA extracted showed greater root growth (121.96 percent), root dry weight (122.38 percent), root length number (118.30 percent), and invest energy (84.83) comparable to control plantings in an in vitro underlying cause development investigation.

### Conclusion

Treatment of seeds with antagonists of *Streptomyces* sp. M4 resulted in improved plant growth attributes compared to the control when no pathogen stress was present. In summary, a pure substance (salvianolic acid) was shown to be the most effective therapy both in the presence and absence of fungal pathogen, outperforming all other treatments tested, including mancozeb, a commercial Summary 231 fungicide. Both isolates' culture supernatants were more potent than the corresponding cells or EtOAc extracts. Both antagonists boosted plant growth in terms of shoot and root lengths as well as fresh and dry weights of plants when there was no nematode stress. The study's findings showed that compounds derived

from isolates M7 and M4 may be refined into effective but benign nematicidal treatments for managing root knot nematodes and boosting agricultural yields.

Extensive use of *S. antibioticus* strain M7 and *Streptomyces* sp. M4 for the development of new biocontrol agents to control root knot nematode, and to promote plant growth, is warranted based on the biocontrol potential of these streptomycetes in vitro and in vivo. Furthermore, *Streptomyces* sp. M4's antimicrobial metabolites showed promise as efficient biofungicides against both *Alternaria* leaf spot disease and *Fusarium* wilt disease.

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