Genome Sequence of *Lactococcus garvieae* IPLA 31405, a Bacteriocin-Producing, Tetracycline-Resistant Strain Isolated from a Raw-Milk Cheese

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This work describes the draft genome sequence of *Lactococcus garvieae* IPLA 31405, isolated from a traditional Spanish cheese. The genome contains a lactose-galactose operon, a bacteriocin locus, two integrated phages, a transposon harboring an active tet(M) gene, and two theta-type plasmid replicons. Genes encoding virulence factors were not recorded.

*Lactococcus garvieae* has repeatedly been reported to be a majority component of the native microbiota of dairy products manufactured from raw milk (3, 5, 8, 10). This bacterium is the etiological agent of lactococcosis, affecting both marine and freshwater fish species (6). It also causes mastitis in cows (15) and has been involved in an increasing number of human infections (4). However, association between consumption of raw-milk cheese and human infections caused by *L. garvieae* has never been reported. Conversely, *L. garvieae* might contribute to the overall quality of dairy products, improving both safety and sensorial attributes (7, 9, 11).

Recently, the genomes of several *L. garvieae* strains have been released (1, 2, 12, 13, 14). Here we report the draft genome sequence of *L. garvieae* IPLA 31405, isolated from among the dominant microbiota of a traditional raw-milk cheese (3). IPLA 31405 grows well in lactose and produces a bacteriocin active against food-borne pathogens. It lacks hemolysin and gelatinase activities and does not produce biogenic amines (7). However, it showed resistance to tetracycline encoded by a tet(M) gene (7).

A genomic library of 0.5 kbp was constructed and subjected to paired-end sequencing, providing approximately 155-fold coverage, using a HiSeq 1000 System sequencer (Illumina). Quality-filtered reads were assembled into contigs using the software program Velvet (http://www.ebi.ac.uk/~zerbo/velvet/). Annotation was performed by merging the results obtained from RAST (http://rast.nmpdr.org/), BG (Era7, Granada, Spain), and BLAST analysis (http://blast.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov). The KEGG Pathway (http://www.genome.jp/kegg/pathway.html), Uniprot (http://www.uniprot.org), and COG (http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/COG/) databases were consulted for descriptions of specific genes.

The draft genome sequence of IPLA 31405 includes 23 contigs from 598 to 1,017,382 bp (bp) and is composed of 2,052,308 bp with a GC content of 38.53%. It encodes 1,874 predicted coding sequences, which were classified into 23 groups and 308 subsystems by the RAST server. Single predicted copies of 16S, 23S, and 5S rRNA genes were found, as well as 46 genes for tRNAs. Two theta-type plasmid replicons and two integrated phages belonging to the P335 group of *Lactococcus lactis* phages were recorded. In addition, the tet(M) gene was harbored in a transposon highly similar to conjugative Tn6086 from *Enterococcus faecalis*.

IPLA 31405 may metabolize lactose by a lactose phosphotransferase operon (lacXGEFDCBA) identified in its genome. However, extracellular caseinolytic peptide hydrolyses were not found. Production, resistance to, and secretion of a class IIb bacteriocin identical to garvieacin Q (16) are encoded by a four-gene operon. A gene cluster likely to be involved in the synthesis of cell wall exopolysaccharides with a rhamnosyl backbone was detected, but typical capsule-encoded genes were not scored. Additionally, no evidence of virulence-related genes was obtained.

The genome sequence of strain IPLA 31405 provided further insights into the intraspecific variation of *L. garvieae*. Its comparison with those of other sequenced strains may supply information on the safety of the strains and on niche-specific genes.

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