



# Draft Genome Sequences of Nine Strains of *Brochothrix thermosphacta*, *Carnobacterium divergens*, *Lactobacillus algidus*, *Lactobacillus fuchuensis*, *Lactococcus piscium*, *Leuconostoc gelidum* subsp. *gasicomitatum*, *Pseudomonas lundensis*, and *Weissella viridescens*, a Collection of Psychrotrophic Species Involved in Meat and Seafood Spoilage

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**ABSTRACT** In this study, we present the draft genome sequences of nine strains from various psychrotrophic species identified in meat products and being recognized as important emerging food spoilers. Many of these species have only one or few strains being sequenced, and this work will contribute to the improvement of the overall genomic knowledge about them.

The bacterial communities involved in meat and seafood spoilage during storage at low temperature (0 to 8°C) include a wide range of species (1). Some of these food spoilers were characterized during the 1970s, such as *Brochothrix thermosphacta* or *Carnobacterium divergens*, but others were identified very recently, and their roles in food spoilage were only confirmed because noncultural 16S rRNA gene metagenetic analysis and/or plating on culture medium at low temperatures were performed. Most of these spoilers (old or emerging) thriving in cold environments usually share a low level of genomic identification, with only few strains being sequenced. This lack of genomic reference makes food spoilage metagenomic analysis difficult to perform. Here, we present the draft sequencing of several strains isolated from spoiled meat (2), including *Brochothrix thermosphacta* strain 160x8, representing an old spoiler isolated in 1981 from a horse steak; *Lactococcus piscium* strains CMTALT02 and CMTALT17, isolated from spoiled beef carpaccio and representing two new members from this psychrotrophic species that is ubiquitous in meat and seafood products (3); *Leuconostoc gelidum* subsp. *gasicomitatum* strain MFPA44A1401 and *Lactobacillus algidus* strain CMTALT10, representing the paradigm of emerging highly psychrotrophic spoilers that are tedious to cultivate (4–6); *Lactobacillus fuchuensis* strain MFPC41A2801, representing a poorly known member of the *Lactobacillus sakei* phylogenetic clade and which is a species that is often subdominant in meat bacterial ecosystems but whose role as a spoiler remains to be deciphered (7); *Carnobacterium divergens* strain MFPA43A1405, representing a species with high survival fitness in many meat-processing environments; *Pseudomonas lundensis* strain MFPA15A1205, representing a species closely related to another food spoiler, *Pseudomonas fragi*, but which appears to be highly prevalent in beef stored under a vacuum and which harbors strong biofilm formation capacity on meat (8); and finally, *Weissella viridescens* strain MFPC16A2805, representing the paradigm of a sporadic spoiler (9) involved in visual spoilage (green iridescence on meat slices and package swelling due to CO<sub>2</sub> production). This last strain also was

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**TABLE 1** Overview of the draft genome assemblies from nine strains of emerging meat spoilers

Species	Source, yr	Original strain name (synonym)	Collection name	Genetic element	No. of contigs	Size (bp)	Coverage (X)	No. of CDS <sup>a</sup>	BioProject no.	Assembly accession no.
<i>Brochothrix thermosphacta</i>	Horse meat, 1981	J160x8 (HO01)	CIP 110942	Chromosome	32	2,443,096	70	2,473	PRJEB21917	OBMV01000001 to OBMV01000032
<i>Carnobacterium divergens</i>	Beef carpaccio, 2009	MFPA43A1405	CIP 110938	Plasmid pJOUY160xA1	1	44,938	85	48	PRJEB21906	OBMV01000033
<i>Lactobacillus aligidus</i>	Beef carpaccio, 2013	CMTALT10	CIP 110929	Chromosome	20	2,702,442	62	2,686	PRJEB21909	OGVA01000001 to OGVA01000031
<i>Lactobacillus fuchuensis</i>	Beef carpaccio, 2009	MFPC41A2801	CIP 110928	Chromosome	4	1,624,384	56	1,582	PRJEB21913	OBKY01000001 to OBKY01000020
<i>Lactococcus piscium</i>	Beef carpaccio, 2013	CMTALT02	CIP 110936	Plasmid pCMTALT10B	51	13,563	302	19	PRJEB21910	OBKY01000021 to OBKY01000024
<i>Lactococcus piscium</i>	Beef carpaccio, 2013	CMTALT17	CIP 110937	Chromosome	35	2,045,293	65	1,977	PRJEB21911	OGVC01000001 to OGVC01000051
<i>Leuconostoc gasicomitatum</i>	Beef carpaccio, 2009	MFPA44A1401	CIP 110927	Chromosome	68	2,154,856	63	2,177	PRJEB21910	OGVB01000001 to OGVB01000035
<i>Pseudomonas lundensis</i>	Beef carpaccio, 2009	MFPA15A1205	CIP 110941	Chromosome	50	2,271,863	63	2,307	PRJEB21911	OBKP01000001 to OBKP01000068
<i>Weissella viridescens</i>	Beef carpaccio, 2009	MIFPC16A2805	CIP 110940	Chromosome	56	1,895,812	35	1,960	PRJEB21908	OBMM01000001 to OBMM01000050
				Chromosome	13	5,019,826	52	4,871	PRJEB21912	OBKZ01000001 to OBKZ01000056
				Plasmid pMIFPC16A2805B	1	1,012,612	149	1,024	PRJEB2329	OBHM01000001 to OBHM01000013
				Plasmid pMIFPC16A2805C	1	16,484	344	15		OBHM01000014
					1	11,586	507	12		OBHM01000015

<sup>a</sup>CDS, coding sequences.

revealed to possess one of the smallest genomes (~1 Mb) ever sequenced for a lactic acid bacterium.

Details of the draft genomes are given in Table 1. Whole-genome sequencing of these strains was carried out by Eurofins MWG Operon Laboratories (Ebersberg, Germany) using Illumina MiSeq 2 × 150-bp paired-end libraries. Reads were assembled *de novo* by the Velvet software (10). All contigs were aligned against a relevant complete genome of closely related strains or species using progressiveMauve (11), and annotation was performed with the MicroScope platform (12).

**Accession number(s).** The sequence data have been deposited in DDBJ/ENA/GenBank under the accession numbers cited in Table 1.

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