



# Sixteen Genome Sequences of Denitrifying Bacteria Assembled from Enriched Cultures of Anaerobic Pig Manure Digestate

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**ABSTRACT** We report 16 genomes assembled from the metagenome of pig manure digestate enriched with the addition of N<sub>2</sub>O. These denitrifying bacterial genomes all contain the *nosZ* gene, encoding N<sub>2</sub>O reductase. Their sizes range from 1,902,599 bp to 6,264,563 bp, with completeness of 75.03% to 98.89%, GC contents of 32.86% to 69.66%, and contamination of 0% to 8.4%.

The greenhouse gas N<sub>2</sub>O is produced during nitrification and denitrification (1–4). The N<sub>2</sub>O reductase encoded by the *nosZ* gene is the only enzyme that can reduce N<sub>2</sub>O to the nongreenhouse gas N<sub>2</sub> (5–8). In this study, bioinformatic tools were used for genome assembly and annotation of *nosZ* gene-containing bacterial genomes recovered from the metagenomic data for samples enriched with N<sub>2</sub>O.

The fresh digestate collected from an anaerobic tank for pig manure fermentation was incubated anaerobically for 1 week at 25°C with N<sub>2</sub>O, and the enriched digestate was then inoculated into gamma-ray-sterilized red soil and fluvo-aquic soil for another 1 week of anaerobic incubation; the incubated soil was inoculated into gamma-ray-sterilized digestate for another 1 week. After four rounds of soil-digestate reciprocal transfer and incubation with N<sub>2</sub>O, fresh digestate and N<sub>2</sub>O-enriched digestate, as well as the first and fourth rounds of incubated soil and digestate, were collected for DNA extraction with the Omega Bio-Tek soil DNA kit and library construction using the Illumina TruSeq DNA sample preparation guide. The metagenomes of 30 samples were paired-end sequenced on the Illumina NovaSeq platform. Finally, an average of 77,340,278 reads of 150 bp were obtained for each library.

Cutadapt (v1.17) (<https://github.com/marcelm/cutadapt>) was used to identify and cut off the adapter sequence. Fastp (v0.20.0) (<https://github.com/OpenGene/fastp>) was used to screen the quality of the sequence by the sliding window method. The sequences with lengths of less than 50 bp and those with fuzzy bases were removed to yield clean data.

MEGAHIT (v1.2.3-beta) (9) was used to assemble the contigs with the option of minimum contig length of 500. MetaBAT2 (v2.15) (10) was used for binning, and CheckM (v1.0.18) (11) was used to assess the completeness and contamination of the bins. Then, dRep (v2.5.4) (12) was used to remove the redundant bins, and 394 nonredundant bins with completeness of more than 75% and contamination of less than 25% were obtained. GTDB-tk (v1.1.0) (13) was used to annotate the species of bins, and KofamScan (v1.20) ([https://github.com/takaram/kofam\\_scan](https://github.com/takaram/kofam_scan)) was used to identify the KEGG Orthology with the KEGG Orthology database to find the bins with denitrification genes. Default parameters were used for all software unless otherwise noted.

All of the 16 genomes are *nosZ*-containing genomes, which indicates that there may be potential N<sub>2</sub>O-reducing bacteria (Table 1). Four genomes contain two copies of *nosZ*. There are no nitrate reductase or nitrite reductase genes but having *nosZ* in the genome

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**TABLE 1** Descriptions and accession numbers of assembled denitrifying bacterial bins

Isolate	Genus/species	GenBank accession no.	Length (bp)	Completeness (%)	Contamination (%)	Coverage (%)	No. of contigs	N <sub>50</sub> (bp)	GC content (%)	No. of denitrification genes						
										nosZ	norB	nirK	nirS	narG	napA	
DF_1_1.41	<i>Flavobacterium</i> sp.	JAHRW0000000000	2,186,697	75.66	4.79	10.74	402	6,084	32.86	2	1	1	0	0	0	
DF_2_2.70	<i>Lentimicrobium</i> sp.	JAHRW0000000000	3,205,124	76.79	1.88	17.83	120	43,228	42.75	2	1	1	0	2	0	
DR_8_1.35	<i>Azonexus</i> sp.	JAHRW0000000000	3,061,420	81.83	6.81	16.80	455	8,031	62.93	2	1	0	1	0	2	
DR_8_1.67	<i>Thauera</i> sp.	JAHRW0000000000	3,585,355	77.42	8.18	19.14	569	7,540	69.66	2	0	0	1	1	1	
DF_1_1.30	<i>Diaphorobacter</i> sp.	JAHRS0000000000	3,271,235	88.97	5.24	16.49	369	11,823	67.49	1	1	0	1	0	0	
DF_1_1.72	<i>Sterolibacterium</i> sp.	JAHRW0000000000	2,362,309	83.02	3.71	22.18	121	27,074	60.27	1	1	0	0	1	0	
DF_1_3.23	<i>Pseudomonas</i> sp.	JAHRWU0000000000	3,987,501	82.68	7.28	22.10	583	7,849	64.88	1	3	0	1	1	2	
DF_1_3.28	<i>Cloacibacterium</i> sp.	JAHRW0000000000	1,902,599	78.95	2.21	10.46	326	7,044	33.03	1	1	0	0	0	0	
DF_7_1.31	<i>Thermomonas</i> sp.	JAHRW0000000000	2,694,426	98.54	1.71	22.23	56	74,073	58.72	1	2	1	0	1	0	
DF_7_2.41	<i>Sphingobacterium mizutaii</i>	JAHRW0000000000	4,230,372	98.89	0	20.58	26	236,025	40.29	1	1	1	0	0	0	
DF_8_1.35	<i>Kaistella</i> sp.	JAHRW0000000000	2,153,008	87.46	5.64	10.67	287	9,320	39.66	1	0	1	0	0	0	
DR_1_1.49	<i>Castellaniella</i> sp.	JAHRW0000000000	3,463,312	91.22	4.34	20.55	102	77,844	63.47	1	2	2	0	1	0	
DR_1_3.37	<i>Rhizobium</i> sp.	JAHRA0000000000	4,531,742	90.96	8.4	14.72	619	8,744	63.15	1	1	2	0	1	0	
DR_7_2.37	<i>Beilovibrio</i> sp.	JAHXB0000000000	2,929,297	90.3	0.18	8.85	317	12,023	46.74	1	1	1	0	1	0	
DR_7_3.16	<i>Achromobacter denitrificans</i>	JAHXC0000000000	6,264,563	87.97	1.54	26.88	104	107,223	67.72	1	1	1	0	1	1	
DR_8_2.10	<i>Comamonas</i> sp.	JAHXD0000000000	2,293,750	75.03	2.74	15.55	286	10,109	64.69	1	0	0	0	0	0	

of DF\_1\_3.28 implies that this strain could act as an N<sub>2</sub>O sink because it has no capacity to produce N<sub>2</sub>O. The genomes obtained in this study not only enlarge our knowledge of diverse denitrifying bacteria but also facilitate screening of N<sub>2</sub>O-reducing bacteria for use as an N<sub>2</sub>O sink in mitigating greenhouse gas emissions from agricultural environments.

**Data availability.** The raw metagenomic sequence reads and metagenome-assembled genomes were deposited in DDBJ/ENA/GenBank under BioProject accession number [PRJNA736218](https://doi.org/10.1093/rstb.2013.0122), with BioSample accession numbers [SAMN19613211](https://doi.org/10.1111/1462-2920.13978) to [SAMN19613226](https://doi.org/10.1111/1462-2920.15404) and SRA accession numbers [SRR15558355](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jmeth.2016.02.020) to [SRR15558366](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jmeth.2016.02.020).

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