



Draft Genome Sequences of 18 *Streptococcus* Strains Isolated from Live Dietary Supplements and Cultured Food Products

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ABSTRACT We present the genome sequences of 18 *Streptococcus* isolates from 8 different dietary supplements and 9 cultured food products. Strains from this species naturally colonize the human mouth and upper respiratory tract. Studies have shown that *S. thermophilus* and *S. salivarius* strains confer oral health benefits to their host with little to no risk of pathogenic infection.

Streptococcus is a Gram-positive, lactic acid bacterium found in dairy products and dietary supplements. *S. thermophilus* use in fermentation of milk products has been linked to the facilitation of dairy product digestion (1, 2). *S. salivarius* naturally resides in the mouth and upper respiratory tract and is one of the first beneficial microbes to colonize infants (3). This species is thought to be beneficial in the reduction of dental plaque and periodontal health when administered orally (4, 5). It has proven difficult to distinguish *S. thermophilus* from *S. salivarius* using medium plating methods, but genomic sequencing accurately identified them within fecal samples from individuals who had consumed dairy products (6). Dietary supplements containing these strains are becoming more prevalent; thus, the need for high-quality genomic sequences representing commonly used strains is crucial for proper identification. Here, we present the draft genome sequences of 2 *S. salivarius* and 16 *S. thermophilus* strains isolated from dietary supplements and cultured food products for classification (Table 1).

A serving from each product was suspended in 5 mL of saline. Then, 100 μ L from serial dilutions was plated on MRS agar plates and incubated at 30°C aerobically and 37°C aerobically, CO₂-enriched, microaerophilic and anaerobic conditions. Colonies were selected based on morphologic differences. DNA extraction from overnight cultures of purified colony isolates was performed with the QIAcube using the DNeasy blood and tissue/Gram-positive bacterium or yeast protocol (Qiagen, Hilden, Germany). A DNA clean and concentrator kit (Zymo Research, Irvine, CA) was used to increase the quality of the DNA by removing potential inhibitors that could affect the sequencing process, as well as to concentrate the sample from 150 μ L to a final volume of 6 μ L. DNA quality and concentration were determined using a Qubit 3.0 fluorometer (Life Technologies, Burlington, CA). Sequencing libraries were prepared with 1 ng of DNA using the Nextera XT DNA library preparation kit and the Nextera XT index kit v2 set A (Illumina, San Diego, CA) and sequenced on either the Illumina MiSeq system using the MiSeq reagent kit v2 (500 cycles) or the NextSeq system using the NextSeq 500/550 midoutput kit v2.5 (300 cycles). The resulting 250-bp (MiSeq) and 150-bp (NextSeq) paired-end reads were quality controlled using FastQC v0.11.9 (Q > 30) (7), and then the reads were trimmed using Trimmomatic v0.38.1 (8) and *de novo* assembled using SPAdes v3.8.2 (9). The completeness of assemblies was determined using BUSCO v5.0.0 and Lactobacillales_odb10, with genome assemblies completed from 93.7% to 99.5% (10). Species-level taxonomic identification and abundances were inferred for all samples using our in-house kmer database ($k = 30$) (11). Default parameters were used for all the analytical tools.

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TABLE 1 *Streptococcus* isolates sequenced in this study

| Species | Strain | Source | Sequence platform | SRA no. | BioSample no. | GenBank WGS accession no. | No. of reads | Genome coverage (%) | No. of predicted genes | Largest config (bp) | Total length (bp) | BUSCO assessment (Benchmarking Universal Single-Copy Orthologs) | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|---------------|---------------------------|--------------|---------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---|---------|------|------|
| | | | | | | | | | | | | N ₅₀ (bp) | (%) | GC | |
| <i>S. salivarius</i> | DS85_40B ^a | Dietary supplement ^b | NextSeq 500/550 | SRR11910125 | SANN15078926 | JAIQW7000000000 | 3,817,804 | 119 | 58 | 2,181 | 307,204 | 2,320,947 | 124,435 | 39.4 | 99.5 |
| <i>S. salivarius</i> | DS85_40A ^c | Dietary supplement ^b | NextSeq 500/550 | SRR11910250 | SANN15078925 | JAIQWS00000000 | 3,984,844 | 69 | 84 | 2,154 | 176,391 | 2,290,943 | 65,821 | 39.4 | 99.5 |
| <i>S. thermophilus</i> | DS14_14 | Dietary supplement ^c | MSeq | SRR5310871 | SANN06644151 | JAIQWG00000000 | 3,061,692 | 382 | 62 | 1,836 | 207,436 | 1,776,333 | 73,135 | 38.9 | 99.3 |
| <i>S. thermophilus</i> | CF2_14 | Yogurt product | MSeq | SRR5310876 | SANN06644117 | JAIQWF00000000 | 814,748 | 92 | 76 | 1,824 | 194,267 | 1,742,651 | 52,094 | 39.0 | 99.3 |
| <i>S. thermophilus</i> | CF1_14 | Kefir product | MSeq | SRR5310877 | SANN06644116 | JAIQWE00000000 | 4,348,482 | 238 | 44 | 1,814 | 203,892 | 174,591 | 124,918 | 38.8 | 95.5 |
| <i>S. thermophilus</i> | DS76_14 | Dietary supplement ^b | NextSeq 500/550 | SRR11910219 | SANN15078890 | JAIQWR00000000 | 6,496,696 | 202 | 62 | 1,822 | 1736,106 | 63,115 | 38.9 | 99.5 | 97.5 |
| <i>S. thermophilus</i> | DS51_14 | Dietary supplement ^b | NextSeq 500/550 | SRR11910208 | SANN15078775 | JAIQXB00000000 | 9,984,694 | 20 | 97 | 1,759 | 104,555 | 1,646,584 | 41,717 | 39.2 | 10 |
| <i>S. thermophilus</i> | DS51_14 | Nondairy yogurt product ^b | NextSeq 500/550 | SRR11910226 | SANN15078648 | JAIQWM00000000 | 6,256,254 | 56 | 56 | 1,849 | 137,000 | 1,777,217 | 65,705 | 38.9 | 99.0 |
| <i>S. thermophilus</i> | CF5_14 | Nondairy yogurt product ^b | NextSeq 500/550 | SRR11910242 | SANN15078736 | JAIQWP00000000 | 2,494,996 | 89 | 64 | 1,867 | 122,822 | 1,774,216 | 61,113 | 38.9 | 99.0 |
| <i>S. thermophilus</i> | DS45_14 | Dietary supplement ^b | MSeq | SRR11910360 | SANN15078662 | JAIQWK00000000 | 98,788 | 68 | 61 | 1,922 | 175,129 | 1,848,774 | 70,646 | 38.8 | 99.3 |
| <i>S. thermophilus</i> | DS3_14 | Dietary supplement ^b | MSeq | SRR11910373 | SANN15078680 | JAIQWH00000000 | 1,259,266 | 96 | 81 | 1,853 | 117,603 | 1,766,804 | 52,466 | 39.0 | 99.3 |
| <i>S. thermophilus</i> | DS30_14 | Dietary supplement ^b | NextSeq 500/550 | SRR11910376 | SANN15078605 | JAIQWI00000000 | 1,669,016 | 105 | 46 | 1,892 | 174,923 | 1,808,551 | 95,887 | 38.9 | 99.3 |
| <i>S. thermophilus</i> | CF13_14 | Yogurt product | NextSeq 500/550 | SRR11910216 | SANN15078601 | JAIQWJ00000000 | 9,134,166 | 484 | 55 | 1,925 | 313,755 | 1,848,466 | 100,076 | 38.8 | 99.3 |
| <i>S. thermophilus</i> | CF12_14 | Nondairy yogurt product | NextSeq 500/550 | SRR11910236 | SANN15078635 | JAIQWN00000000 | 8,713,470 | 173 | 52 | 1,778 | 204,361 | 1,704,260 | 97,302 | 38.9 | 93.8 |
| <i>S. thermophilus</i> | CF3_14 | Yogurt product | NextSeq 500/550 | SRR11910321 | SANN15078635 | JAIQWL00000000 | 8,713,470 | 123 | 59 | 1,847 | 145,424 | 1,759,255 | 70,976 | 39.0 | 402 |
| <i>S. thermophilus</i> | CF10_14 | Cheese product | MSeq | SRR11910350 | SANN15078596 | JAIQWM00000000 | 1,720,144 | 123 | 50 | 1,866 | 158,655 | 1,771,462 | 62,823 | 38.9 | 99.3 |
| <i>S. thermophilus</i> | CF4_14 | Kefir product | MSeq | SRR11910241 | SANN15078639 | JAIQWN00000000 | 505,426 | 88 | 69 | 1,847 | 162,842 | 1,778,590 | 71,039 | 38.9 | 99.3 |
| <i>S. thermophilus</i> | DS61_14 | Dietary supplement ^b | MSeq | SRR11910392 | SANN15078830 | JAIQWN00000000 | 4,364,456 | 550 | 49 | 1,892 | 130,762 | 1,773,459 | 58,946 | 38.9 | 99.3 |
| <i>S. thermophilus</i> | CF8_14 | Yogurt product | NextSeq 500/550 | SRR11910253 | SANN15078656 | JAIQWD00000000 | 1,755,666 | 75 | 68 | 1,851 | 130,762 | 1,773,459 | 58,946 | 38.9 | 99.3 |

^a Two different strains from the same dietary supplement (DS85).^b Dietary supplement for general population.^c Dietary supplement for women.

Depth of coverage for the draft genomes ranged from 20 to 565×, with genome sizes ranging from 1,646,854 to 2,320,947 bp. The number of contigs ranged from 44 to 97, while the N_{50} values ranged from 41,717 to 124,918 bp. The GC content varied from 38.8 to 39.4%. The sequences of these 18 *Streptococcus* isolates were submitted to GenBank and included two *S. salivarius* strains and 16 *S. thermophilus* strains.

Data availability. This whole-genome shotgun project has been deposited at DDBJ/ENA/GenBank under BioProject number [PRJNA336518](#) and under accession numbers [JAIQWE000000000](#) to [JAIQXB000000000](#). The assemblies described in this paper are the first versions. All annotations were done using the NCBI PGAP pipeline v5.2 (12).

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