



Draft Genome Sequences of Four Strains of Recently Established Novel *Veillonella* Species Isolated from Human Oral Cavities

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ABSTRACT *Veillonella* species are known to contribute to the formation of early oral biofilms and tend to be prevalent in people with poor oral hygiene status. Here, we report the draft genome sequences of 4 oral *Veillonella* strains that were established recently as novel species.

The genus *Veillonella* consists of small strictly anaerobic Gram-negative cocci that lack flagella, spores, and a capsule (1). *Veillonella* species are isolated frequently from human oral cavities (2–5) and may serve as a biological indicator of poor oral hygiene status (6). Furthermore, *Veillonella* species, with their unique physiology, play a central role in early oral biofilm formation, along with oral *Streptococcus* species (7–10). However, the mechanistic details of their pathogenicity or functions in oral biofilms have not been clarified.

Veillonella denticariosi, Veillonella rogosae, Veillonella tobetsuensis, and Veillonella infantium were isolated from carious dentin, supragingival plaque from children, tongue biofilm from adults, and tongue biofilm from a child, respectively, and were established recently as novel species (11–14). To facilitate the study of oral Veillonella spp., the draft genome sequences of V. denticariosi JCM 15641^T, V. rogosae JCM 15642^T, V. tobetsuensis Y6, and V. infantium JCM 31738^T (= TSD-88^T) were determined in this study.

The genomic DNA of all 4 strains was extracted from 5-day cultures using phenolchloroform extraction and ethanol precipitation (15) and further purified using the QIAamp DNA minikit (Qiagen) for high-throughput sequencing, as described previously (4, 5). DNA libraries were prepared using the Nextera DNA library preparation kit (Illumina). DNA sequencing was performed at the New York State Center of Excellence in Bioinformatics and Life Sciences (UB Genomics and Bioinformatics Core, Buffalo, NY) using the Illumina NextSeq 500 analyzer with sequencing runs for paired-end sequences, which achieved 150-bp read lengths and over 100-fold genome coverage. The paired-end sequencing reads were checked for quality, *de novo* assembled, and annotated using MyPro, a software pipeline for prokaryotic genomes (16). At the same time, all final assemblies were annotated using the NCBI Prokaryotic Genome Annotation Pipeline version 4.4 (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/genome/annotation_prok/) and then submitted to NCBI.

The genome sequences of the strains were assembled into 8 to 15 contigs and were nearly 2 Mb in size. These draft genomes contained, on average, a G+C content of 39.7%, 1,865.5 coding sequences (CDSs), 47.5 tRNAs, and 7 rRNAs (Table 1).

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	G+C		No. of	No. of	No. of	No. of	Accession no.	
Strain	content (%)	Size (Mb)	contigs	CDSs	tRNAs	rRNAs	DDBJ	GenBank/DDBJ/EMBL
V. denticariosi JCM 15641 [⊤]	42.9	1.98	8	1,801	49	7	DRA006201	PPDB0000000
V. rogosae JCM 15642 [™]	38.9	2.19	15	1,982	48	9	DRA006205	PPCX0000000
V. tobetsuensis Y6	38.5	2.04	14	1,849	45	7	DRA006207	PPDF0000000
V. infantium JCM 31738^{T} (= TSD- 88^{T})	38.6	2.02	15	1,830	48	5	DRA006199 ^a	PPDD0000000

TABLE 1 Characteristics of 4 oral Veillonella draft genome sequences

^aOriginally published by Mashima et al. (14).

To our knowledge, the annotated genome sequences of *V. denticariosi, V. rogosae*, and *V. infantium* presented here are the first ones available. The draft genome sequence of the *V. tobetsuensis* type strain was reported in our previous study (17). These data should be helpful in future studies of the biology and pathogenicity of oral *Veillonella* spp.

Accession number(s). The raw sequence data were deposited to the DDBJ Sequence Read Archive (SRA), and draft genome sequences were deposited to GenBank/ DDBJ/EMBL under the accession numbers listed in Table 1. The versions listed in this paper are the first versions.

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