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SCREENING OF ENDOPHYTIC BACTERIA PRODUCING ANTIFUNGAL ISOLATED FROM INDONESIA MEDICINAL PLANT, JAVA GINSENG (*TALINUM TRIANGULARE*) (JACQ.) WILLD

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ABSTRACT

Objective: The objective of this research was to isolate and characterize endophytic bacteria from *Talinum triangulare* having antifungal activity.

Methods: The endophytic bacteria were isolated from roots tissue of *Talinum triangulare* by surface sterilization method. The isolates were cultured in Trypticase Soybean agar and antagonist activities were evaluated by dual culture assay against *Fusarium oxysporum*, *Trichoderma reesei* and *Candida albicans*. For metabolite antifungal activities, bacterial isolates were grown for 4 d in TS broth at 35 °C under shaking condition. The antifungal activities of the supernatant extract were determined by using the disk agar diffusion. Polyketide synthase (PKS I) and NRPS genes fragments of all isolates were amplified.

Results: The result reveals that 4 of 23 endophytic bacterial isolates demonstrated great antifungal potentiality against many tested fungi. Polyketide synthase (PKS I) and NRPS genes amplification were showed 10 and 4 of endophytic isolates detected harboring PKS type I and NRPS genes, respectively. In general, high frequencies of positive PCR amplification were obtained for PKS I (43.47%). Phylogenetic analyses based on the 16S rRNA gene sequence, morphological, physiological and biochemical showed that the isolates were identified as a member of genus *Bacillus* and *Brevibacillus*.

Conclusion: These results indicated that the endophytic bacteria from java ginseng could be used as an alternative source of antifungal agents.

Keywords: Endophytic bacteria, Antifungal, *Talinum triangulare*, PKS I, NRPS, 16S rRNA

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INTRODUCTION

Endophytic microorganisms are defined as those microorganism that show endosymbiosis relationship with their host plants. These can be isolated from tissues or plant organ. Plants and microorganisms shows a complex interaction in the environment through produce a natural compounds for survival beneficial of them. Because the role of these compounds is high biological activity, so it can be searched for drug discovery [1]. These interaction occur by the environmental recognition followed by transference of molecular. Therefore, plant find a benefit such as improve tolerance to various environmental stress, plant growth stimulation or prevent of the disease against pathogens [2-4]. Many reported in literature that diseases caused by fungi, bacteria, viruses and even damage caused by insects or nematodes can be prevented by inoculation of endophytic bacteria into plant tissue. [5-8].

Association of microorganisms and plants has been reported, among others: the group of Actinobacteria such as *Saccharopolyspora endophytica* sp. nov isolated from *Maytenus austroyunnanensis* roots plant, a traditional medicinal plant in China [9]. Endophytic bacteria confer benefit extensively to plant such as enhanced resistance to various pathogen [10, 11]. Actinobacteria isolates from plants like grapes (*Monstera* sp.) which produce coronamycin and show inhibitory activity against fungi Pythiaceus. This compound is also known to inhibit the growth of the human fungal pathogen, *Cryptococcus neoformans* [12].

The study of endophytic microorganisms commonly reported on plants from temperate climate region. Many of researchers were began to focused on the plant tropical regions [13, 14]. The research of tropical endophytic microorganisms was trigged by the important role of microorganisms endophytic against of global diversity. Moreover, the dynamics of plant communities as a source of new bioactive compounds and biological control agent were used for tropical agroforestry [15, 16].

Talinum triangulare (Jacq.)(Willd.), commonly found in Indonesia and is widely distributed throughout the tropical and subtropical regions of Southeast Asia. In Indonesia, it is known as "Java Ginseng". Traditionally, particularly of South Sulawesi people has been used in herbal formulations for treatment of fatigue and backache. Moreover, there are no previous literature reports on isolation endophytic bacteria anti fungi from these plants.

Isolation of antifungal compounds from various plant sources, especially endophytic plants have difficulty both chemical and physical. A new technique to find a novel compound has been improved to obtain the compounds in a short time. Molecular approaches were used to discover the novelty of compounds by exploration of genes that coding formation of substance metabolites [17]. One of the substance was attracting attention is PKS (polyketide synthases). It is a multifunctional enzyme which responsibility for polyketides biosynthesis. Polyketides is a group of important secondary metabolites that produced by microorganisms. These metabolites has various structure and many biological active substances such as antibacterial, antifungal, anticancer and immunosuppressant [18, 19]. The present study involved the isolation of endophytic bacteria from the tissue of healthy plants (*Talinum* sp.), detection of *pk*s and *nr*ps genes and evaluation of the antifungal activity of their secondary metabolites.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Collection of the plant material

Healthy plants of *T. triangulare* was collected from Sidrap district, South Sulawesi provinces of Indonesia at five different location (fig. 1). The distances between the selected site sampling is 10 km. Roots were collected by digging the soil adjacent of the main stem. The roots sample were cutted about 3-4 cm in length and collected in zip lock plastic. All sample were brought into the laboratory and isolation were done within in 48 h. A herbarium specimen as been

preserved in Laboratory of Botany, Department of Biology, Universitas Negeri Makassar, Indonesia. The authentication of the sample was done by Dr. St. Fatma Hiola (voucher specimen no LB/FMIPA/UNM/CN001-2015).

Isolation of endophytic bacteria

Plant roots were washed with running tap water to remove soils or particles that attached on the roots surface and cut into small pieces of ca. 0.3 X 2 cm². They were then surface-sterilized in 70% ethanol for 1 min and air-dried in a laminar flow chamber. These pieces roots tissues were rinsed in 0.1% Tween20 for 30 s, then in 0.5%

sodium hypochlorite for 2 min. Finally, pieces roots were washed in sterilized distilled water for 5 min, then dried using sterile filter paper. Roots were cut into small pieces by scalpel, then subsequently crushed with a pestle in a mortar under sterile conditions [20, 21]. Approximately 0.1 ml of suspension were spread on the surface of TSA media plate amended by nystatin 100 µg/ml of medium. The plate was incubated at 35 °C for 7 d until showing growth of colonies. Colonies on the medium were independently transferred onto freshly prepared TSA medium plate until a single colony isolates showed purity. The pure isolates were streaking on Nutrient agar slant as isolates stock for further studies.

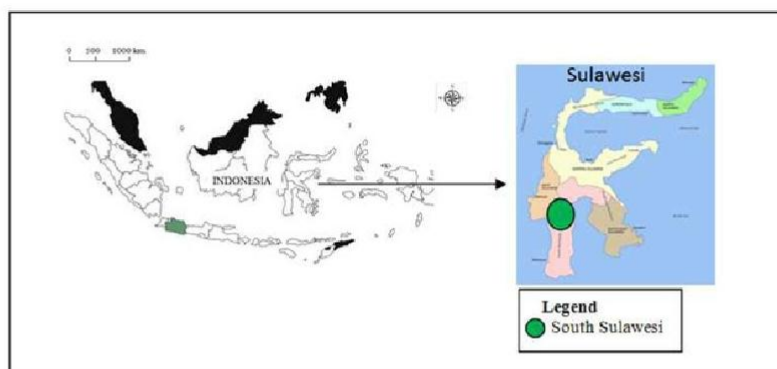


Fig. 1: Map showing the location of the sampling sites. Sidrap district, South Sulawesi, Indonesia

Characterization of isolate

The potent selected isolates were characterized by morphological and biochemical methods. Morphology of the isolate colonies was determined in TSA media. Morphological methods consist of macroscopic and microscopic methods. The micro-morphological characteristics were studied by light microscopy on the 3 d cultures in TSA media. The biochemical characterization was done by casein and starch hydrolysis, and growth temperature range. The observed structure was compared with Bergey's Manual of Determinative Bacteriology [22].

Detection of antifungal activity

Test organism

Three test fungi, viz., *Fusarium oxysporum* KFCC 11363P, *Trichoderma reesei* NBRC 31329 and *Candida albicans* ATCC 90026 were used for antagonist activities. These test organisms were procured from the Research Center for Biotechnology, Gadjah Mada University, Yogyakarta, Indonesia.

Antifungal activity

Detection of antifungal activity of isolates was evaluated by using dual culture assay method against the test fungi [23]. The isolates were streaked on the edge of the TSA plate, while the test fungi were inoculated at the centre of the plate on the same media. The plate was incubated for 7 d at 35 °C. Endophytic bacteria isolates were showed the growth inhibition against test fungi (clear zone around the endophytic bacterial isolates) considered as isolates producing antifungal.

Fermentation and extraction of metabolites

The extraction of the antifungal metabolite was conducted to ensure that the mechanism of inhibition is not due to nutrient competition. The pure culture of endophytic isolates was grown on 100 ml of TS broth media in Erlenmeyer flask 500 ml and fermented for 4 d at 35 °C in a shaker incubator. After the fermentation liquid was centrifuged for 15 min at 7500 rpm and the supernatant was used to evaluate antifungal activity. Subsequently, the supernatant was extracted by ethyl acetate, chloroform and n-hexane solvent (1:1

v/v) and the extract was subjected to rotary evaporatory at 40 °C to remove the excess of solvent. The extract was obtained used to antifungal inhibition by paper disc diffusion method after dissolved in 10% dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO).

Determination of MIC value

The MIC (Minimum Inhibitory Concentration) value of extracts was evaluated using *Candida albicans* ATCC 90026 as a test fungi. The serial two-fold dilutions of the crude extracts were made in a concentration which ranged from 0.5µg/ml to 256µg/ml. Microbial suspension (50µl) containing 10⁶ cfu/ml of *C. albicans* was poured into each well of the 96-well microplate. One well-contained 50µl of microbial suspension which was added a 50µl of 1% DMSO and Ketoconazole were used as a negative and positive control, respectively. The plates were incubated with agitation at 30 °C for 48 h. The MIC was defined as the lowest concentration of extract that inhibited the growth of test fungi after streaked onto Sabouraud Dextrose agar and incubated under appropriate conditions.

Amplification of PKS type I, NRPS and 16S rRNA genes

The DNA genome of selected isolates were isolated from cells grown in TS broth according to the method as described by [24]. Isolates were grown on TS broth medium for 24 h at 35 °C in an incubator shaker. Biomass cell were harvested by centrifuging at 5000 rpm for 20 min. Pellet was washed twice with TE pH 8.0 (Tris EDTA buffer). Subsequently the pellet was used for DNA extraction by following the steps as follows: cells were lysed with 800 µl of lysis solution (100 mmol/l Tris-HCl, pH7; 20 mmol/l EDTA; 250 mmol/l NaCl; 2% m/v SDS; 1 mg/ml lysozyme), and added 5 ml of 50 mg/ml RNase solution. The suspension was incubated at 37 °C for 60 min. After was added of 10 l of proteinase K (50 mg/ml) and lysis solution, suspension was incubated at 65 °C for 30 min. Lysate was extracted with an equal volume of phenol and centrifuged at 13,000 rpm for 10 min. Supernatant were re-extracted with phenol (50%-50% v/v), then with chloroform (50%-50% v/v). DNA was obtained from the aqueous phase by the addition of NaCl (150 mmol/l, final concentration) and 2 times volumes of cold ethanol 95% v/v before centrifugation. Precipitates of DNA was cleaned with 50 µl of 70% ethanol and resuspended with TE buffer (10 mmol/l Tris-HCl pH

7,4; 1 mmol/l EDTA, pH 8). The purity of DNA was evaluated using spectrophotometry and stored at -20 °C for further studies

Reaction of gene amplification were performed in a final volume of 50 µl containing 1 µl of 25 pmol each degenerate primer for PKs genes ACP sense [forward: K1F 5'-TSAAGTCSAACATCGGBCA-3'), KS antisense (reverse: M6R 5'-CGCAGGTTCSCGTACCAGTA-3'). Non-ribosomal peptide synthetase (NRPS) adenylation domain was amplified with the degenerate primer: Sense A3F (5'-GCSTACSYSATSTACACSTCSGG-3'), A7R (5'-SASGTCVCCSGTSCGGTAS-3'). The phylogenetic analysis of 16S rRNA isolate was amplified with [forward: 27F (5'-AGAGTTTGATC CTGGCTCAG-3'), (reverse: 1492R 5'-GGTTACCTTGTACGACTT-3' (1stbase, Singapore). (1stbase, Singapore)], 1 µl of extracted DNA and PCR master mix (GoTaq@Green). Amplification of 16S rRNA gene was carried out by polymerase chain reaction using a thermocycler (Bio-Rad, USA). The thermocycling condition profile consists of an initial denaturation at 95 °C for 3 min, 30 amplification cycles of 94 °C for 2 min (denaturation), 56 °C for 1 min (annealing), and 72 °C for 2 min (extension) and final polymerization at 72 °C for 10 min. The amplification products were visualized by electrophoresis in 1% (w/v) agarose gels stained with ethidium bromide.

Phylogenetic analysis of 16S rRNA gene

The ribosomal RNA gene sequences of the selected isolates were aligned compared with the related taxa sequences of 16S rRNA gene from GenBank database. Multiple alignments were obtained manually using the Clustal X 1.8 program [25]. A phylogenetic tree

was constructed by using the neighbour-joining method using the Phylip version 3.5 program [26] with bootstrap values based on 1000 replications [27]. The similarities matrix and nucleotides different of ribosomal gen inter-species from database were analysed by Phydit version 3.0 program (The Phylogenetic Molecular Sequences Editor) [28].

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Characteristic of isolates

A total of 23 endophytic bacteria were isolated from plant internal root tissues. The isolates were cultured on media and identified based on different morphological characters and expressed as endophytic isolates (table 1). All of the isolates exhibited non-filamentous bacteria colony, actinomycetes groups. The endophyte colonies were carried out purification to obtain a purified isolate. In general, the colonies colour were found milky white to light yellow, cells are rod shape. The colour colony of isolates were exhibited similar on morphological characters, but it can be distinguished on the biochemical profiles. The isolate was grown well at 20 °C to 45 °C but does not grow at 4 or 55 °C.

The last rinsing water of isolation process was grown on the same media for checking the presence of non-endophytic bacteria uneliminated on the surface of the root tissues. The colony were grown in last soaking and exhibit similar with plating media used as a control for eliminate the non-target colony. There are 1 to 2 colonies are grow on media plate control varying shape and colony colour.

Table 1: Morphological and physiological characteristic of endophytic bacteria

Isolate ID	Physiological characteristics					Cells shape
	Gram staining	^a Spora-forming	^b Casein hydrolysis	Starch hydrolysis	Growth temperature range (°C)	
Gj2.1	positive	+	+	-	20-50	Rod shape
Gj2.2	positive	-	-	+	20-50	Coccus
Gj2.3	positive	+	+	-	20-50	Rod shape
Gj2.6	positive	-	+	+	20-50	Coccus
Gj2.7	negative	-	+	+	20-45	Rod shape
Gj2.9	negative	-	-	+	15-45	Coccus
Gj3.1	positive	+	+	-	20-50	Curved Rod
Gj3.4	negative	-	-	-	20-45	Short rods
Gj3.6	positive	-	-	+	20-45	Coccus
Gj3.7	positive	+	+	+	20-50	Rod shape
Gj4.1	negative	-	+	-	15-45	Rod shape
Gj4.2	negative	-	+	+	15-45	Short rods
Gj4.3	positive	+	+	-	20-50	Rod shape
Gj4.5	negative	-	-	+	15-45	Rod shape
Gj4.6	negative	-	-	-	15-45	Rod shape
Gj4.7	positive	-	+	+	20-45	Coccus
Gj4.9	negative	-	+	-	14-45	Short rods
Gj5.1	positive	-	-	-	20-45	Coccus
Gj5.3	positive	+	-	-	20-50	Rod shape
Gj5.4	negative	-	-	+	15-45	Short rod
Gj5.6	positive	-	+	+	20-50	Short rods
Gj5.7	positive	+	-	-	20-50	Rod chain
Gj5.9	positive	+	-	-	15-45	Rod shape

^a+, present; -, absent ^b+, active; -, no activity

The antifungal activity of isolate

Four isolates of endophytic bacteria were designated as Gj2.1, Gj3.1, Gj4.3 and Gj5.3 show growth inhibition against test fungi by the formation of a clear zone around the block agar (a zone is not covered by test fungi colony) (fig. 2). It is suggested that the isolate producing antifungal substances.

However, the inhibitory mechanisms of isolate on microorganism not always caused by antifungal compounds produced by bacterial isolate but may also be due to other mechanisms.

Therefore, to determine of inhibition mechanism, the fermentation broth were extracted using non-polar solvent. The

results of diffusion agar showed the antifungal activity against test fungi. Three of solvent with different level polarity showed different activities against test fungi. The ethylacetate extract was showed activities while weak to no detect by chloroform and n-hexane extract. Subsequently, the MIC value of each ethylacetate extract were various values (table 2).

Amplification of PKS I and NRPS gene

These isolates were carried out detection of PKS type I for the screened presence of polyketide biosynthesis genes. All isolates are detected of PCR amplification for PKS-I dan NRPS was revealed at 1400bp bands and 700bp, respectively bp. These results indicated that the endophytic bacteria isolates were

positive of polyketide biosynthesis system. Four of 23 isolates were able to inhibit growth two species of test fungi based on halo zone forming around the bacterial isolates colony. Five of isolates were inhibit against tested fungal detected of PKS amplicons, whereas three isolates of NRPS amplicons were detected but two isolates, (GJ2.3 and GJ3.1) show antifungal produce (table 3).

Phylogeni of endophytic bacteria isolates

Preliminary characterization of selected isolates by profile matching approach as a key character for a basic reference with related genera. The isolates are showed high similarities with *Bacillus* sp. genus character e. g: Gram-positive, rod-shaped and endospores-forming. These character was enough to revealed that the isolates are including in the group of *Bacillus*.

Nevertheless, it is necessary to evaluate determination of related species with other species based on database analysis of ribosomal genes. Analysis of 16S rRNA gene sequences of the isolates was used to perform phylogenetic construction by compare of the 16S rRNA gene sequences, all isolates are members of belong to the type species of *Bacillus* (GJ2.1, GJ5.3, GJ4.3) or *Brevibacillus* (GJ2.3 and GJ3.1) as shown in fig. 3.

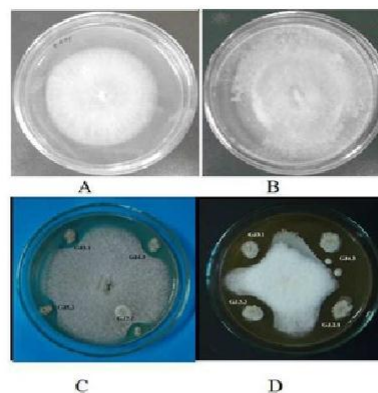


Fig. 2: *In vitro* inhibition activity of selected endophytic bacteria isolate against test fungi (A) Control plate of *Fusarium oxysporum* KFCC 11363P, (B) Control plate of *Trichoderma reesei* NBRC 31329 (C) *Fusarium oxysporum*, (D) *Trichoderma reesei*

Table 2: Antifungal activities of endophytic bacterial and MIC value of extract crude

Isolate ID	Antifungal activities of extract crude ^a			MIC (μ g/ml) of ethyl acetate extract against <i>C. albicans</i> ATCC 90026
	Ethyl acetate	Chloroform	n-hexane	
GJ2.1	++	+	-	128.04
GJ2.3	+++	++	-	57.32
GJ5.3	++	-	-	>256.11
GJ3.1	+++	+	-	64.24
GJ4.3	++	-	-	>256.67
Ketoconazole				0.50

^aEstimated by measuring the diameter of the clear zone of growth inhibition, each isolate was tested using 3 replications, +++ , ≥ 15 mm; ++ , $\geq 10-15$ mm; + , $\geq 5-10$ mm; -, <5 mm (no antifungal activity).

Table 3: *In vitro* anti microbes activity of all isolates and metabolite biosynthetic genes

S. No.	Isolate ID	^a <i>In vitro</i> anti microbes activity (dual culture assay)			^b Metabolite biosynthetic genes	
		<i>F. oxysporum</i> KFCC 11363P	<i>T. reesei</i> NBRC 31329	<i>C. albicans</i> ATCC 90026	PKS	NRPS
1	GJ2.1	Active	Active	Active	+	-
2	GJ2.2	ND	ND	ND	-	-
3	GJ2.3	Active	Active	Active	+	+
4	GJ2.6	ND	ND	ND	-	+
5	GJ2.7	ND	ND	ND	+	-
6	GJ2.9	ND	ND	ND	-	-
7	GJ3.1	Active	Active	Active	+	+
8	GJ3.4	ND	ND	ND	+	-
9	GJ3.6	ND	ND	ND	-	-
10	GJ3.7	ND	ND	ND	+	-
11	GJ4.1	ND	ND	ND	-	-
12	GJ4.2	ND	ND	ND	-	-
13	GJ4.3	Active	Active	Active	+	-
14	GJ4.5	ND	ND	ND	-	-
15	GJ4.6	ND	ND	ND	+	-
16	GJ4.7	ND	ND	ND	-	-
17	GJ4.9	ND	ND	ND	-	+
18	GJ5.1	ND	ND	ND	-	-
19	GJ5.3	Active	Active	Active	+	-
20	GJ5.4	ND	ND	ND	-	-
21	GJ5.6	ND	ND	ND	-	-
22	GJ5.7	ND	ND	ND	-	-
23	GJ5.9	ND	ND	ND	+	-

^a ND = not detected ^b +, present; -, absent

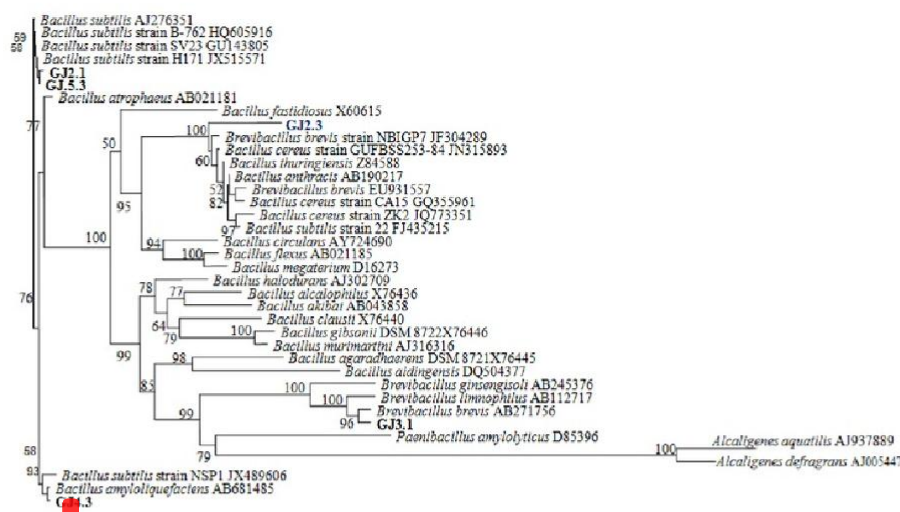


Fig. 3: Neighbour-joining phylogenetic tree inferred from 16S rRNA gene sequences. The phylogenetic tree shows the phylogenetic relationship of endophytic bacteria isolates with related genera. Bootstrap values are expressed as percentages of 1000 replications. Bootstrap values, $\geq 50\%$ are shown at branch points. Score bar represents 1 nucleotide substitution per 100 nucleotides

DISCUSSION

All of the plant compartments including seeds were obtained by endophytic bacteria. These bacteria generally colonize and form a community in intracellular spaces both monocotyledonous and dicotyledonous plants [29]. Endophytic bacteria isolates were taken from free-disease *Talinum* sp. of several site sampling in South Sulawesi, Indonesia yielded 23 isolates. In this study, we explored the plant roots as an alternative source for screening of endophytic microorganisms. Our results of the research have shown that roots of java ginseng inhabited by diverse bacteria. This work and other reports support that plant roots are the habitat of microorganisms. It has an important role with regard to plant health through nutrient assimilation or the *in situ* secretion many secondary metabolites that affected of plant growth [30, 31].

All isolates were obtained considered as endophytic bacteria because they had the different characteristic of colonies growing on control media plates. The effectiveness of surface sterilization was carried out to eliminate the epiphytic microorganisms were enough good. The colonies were growth on the control media plate from final rinse of the specimen when sterilization was different of colony characters between colony endophytic than non-endophytic. Based on the criteria, colonies grew on plate expressed as endophyte bacteria. The key of success to isolate endophytic microorganisms are surface sterilization guarantee of plant specimen or organs [32].

The existence of endophytic bacteria was obtained from the root of java ginseng suggests that the plant is one of a good habitat for endophytic bacteria. Some microorganisms such as bacteria, fungi and Actinobacteria have been isolated from ginseng rhizosphere [33]. Endophytic fungi were isolated from different parts of medicinal plant *Justicia wynaadensis* Heyne, was shown antibacterial and antioxidative [34]. The presence of abundant microorganisms in around of the plant roots area by specific mechanisms are moving entrance into the root tissue to form an association with host plants. These mechanisms are influenced by many biological and environmental factors such as cultivar of the plant, age, type of tissue and sampling time [35, 36].

Endophytic microorganisms on plant tissues organ as an alternative source of microorganism's exploration become an interesting object. Various methods have been developed to identify a potential of isolates producing bioactive substances such as detection of genes which responsible for biosynthesis system of compounds. Many

primers have been reported used to amplify of region encoding of ketosintase module, acyltransferase and adenilase [24]. A result of gene amplification was showed that five of endophytic isolates detected harboring PKS type I genes. In general, high frequencies of positive PCR amplification were obtained for PKS I (43.47%). The high detection level of PKS-I biosynthetic genes observed in the isolates confirm the diversity of distribution of these sequences in this genera on java ginseng plant. These gene plays an important role to produce secondary metabolites, especially of polyketide compounds structures. Therefore, although was not the known structure of bioactive compounds produced of endophytic isolates, it could be stated that these isolates synthesized polyketide compounds. Meanwhile, the isolat C3.1 (closely related to *Brevibacillus brevis*) was antifungal production show harboring NRPS gene (17.39%). Although the substances were not determined of chemical structure, however, the study was reported revealed that *Brevibacillus brevis* was coding tyrocidine synthase 2 *tycB* and gramicidin S synthetase [37].

Results of these studies indicate that endophytic bacteria which producing bioactive metabolites established the benefits interaction with the host [2]. Microorganisms often act as an antagonistic community to protect of the host against pathogenic fungi. Other competitions may be also caused by essential element competition process such as the formation of siderophore to binding Fe ions (chelating). Defisention of the essential element caused a metabolism and reproduction process was disturbed [38].

Our results showed that the ethyl acetate extract of selected bacteria was detected inhibit the growth of fungi test while other extract solvent had no activities. A similar finding was observed in the report of antimicrobial activity of endophytic microbes isolated from medicinal plant *Cardiospermum halicacabum* [39]. The successively of bioactive substances isolation depends upon the type of solvent used in extraction procedure [40]. Moreover, endophytic microbia have been known to produce antifungal substances extractable with ethyl acetate. Therefore, it was suggested that inhibition factor against fungal test growth by isolates was not caused by nutrients competition, but antifungal compounds produced by the endophytic bacterial isolates.

Molecular approaches of isolation and characterization of endophytic bacteria were reported. Microorganisms colonizing in the roots, stems and tubers tissues of plant different varieties have been analysed by 16S rRNA gene. The diversity of bacteria colonizing agronomic crops such as *Cellulomonas*, *Clavibacter*,

Curtobacterium, *Pseudomonas* and *Microbacterium* had reported [35].

Phylogeni analysis of 16S rRNA gene sequences showed that isolates were clustering into *Bacillus* and *Brevibacillus* genera. Our results concluded that the selected endophytic bacteria are a member of the *Bacillus* genus and closely related to *Bacillus* and *Brevibacillus* genera. *B. brevis* was first described in 1990 [33] and reclassification as a new species of *Brevibacillus brevis* and a new genus: *Brevibacillus*. Subsequently, there are many isolates was identified as a new species such as *Brevibacillus invocatus* [41] and *Brevibacillus limnophilus* [42]. Based on of the phylogenetic distance from recognized *Brevibacillus* species, and relatively low 16S rRNA gene sequence similarities (<97 %; see fig. 3), it is apparently that GJ3.1 and GJ2.3 isolates could be determined by the novelty species of the genus *Brevibacillus*. However, limitation of presented data makes it difficult to represents of isolates as a novel species.

CONCLUSION

Java ginseng plant is one of the alternative sources of endophytic bacterial producing antifungal. The endophytic bacterial isolate that was described in this study had Potential as produce antifungal agent because of promising due to their ability to produce endospore. The selected isolate was detected harboring a PKS I gene and NRPS for screened a polyketide biosynthesis peptide non ribosome system, respectively. Analysis of 16S rRNA gene showed that the isolate producing anti fungi closely related to *Bacillus* and *Brevibacillus* genera.

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