

Physiological Characteristics and Anti-diabetic Effect of *Pediococcus pentosaceus* KI62

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Abstract

The purpose of this study is to examine the physiological characteristics and anti-diabetic effects of *P. pentosaceus* KI62. The α -amylase and α -glucosidase inhibitory activity of *P. pentosaceus* KI62 was $94.86\pm 3.30\%$ and $98.59\pm 0.52\%$, respectively. The amounts of short chain fatty acids (SCFA) in MRS broth containing 3% maltodextrin inoculated by *P. pentosaceus* KI62 were propionic acid 18.05 ± 1.85 mg/kg, acetic acid 1.12 ± 0.07 g/100 mL, and butyric acid 2.19 ± 0.061 g/kg. The amounts of medium chain fatty acids (MCFA) in MRS broth containing 3% maltodextrin inoculated by *P. pentosaceus* KI62 were C8 0.262 ± 0.031 mg/kg, C10 0.279 ± 0.021 mg/kg, and C12 0.203 ± 0.009 mg/kg. Compared to sixteen antibiotics, *P. pentosaceus* KI62 had the highest sensitivity to penicillin-G and rifampicin, as well as the highest resistance to vancomycin and ampicillin. The strain also showed higher leucine arylamidase and valine arylamidase activities than other enzyme activities, but it did not produce β -glucuronidase which is carcinogenic enzymes. The survival rate of *P. pentosaceus* KI62 in 0.3% bile was 91.67%. Moreover, the strain showed a 98.63% survival rate in pH 2.0. *P. pentosaceus* KI62 exhibits resistance to *Escherichia coli*, *Salmonella* Typhimurium, *Listeria monocytogenes* and *Staphylococcus aureus* at rates of 29.41%, 38.10%, 51.72% and 50.47%, respectively. *P. pentosaceus* (23.31%) showed a similar adhesion ability to *L. rhamnosus* GG, the positive control (24.49%). These results show that *P. pentosaceus* KI62 has possibility as a probiotic with anti-diabetic effects.

Key words: *Pediococcus pentosaceus*, physiological characteristics, anti-diabetic, α -amylase inhibitory activity, α -glucosidase inhibitory activity

1 **Introduction**

2 Diabetes, an endocrine and metabolic disease, has become the third most non-infectious
3 chronic disease threatening human health. Type-2 diabetes mellitus (T2DM) takes up more
4 than 90% of people with diabetes and has become a major public health issue worldwide (Yan
5 et al., 2019). It is characterized by increased blood glucose level, which cause damage to the
6 body's systems, particularly blood vessels and nerves (Rittiphairoj et al., 2019).

7 α -glucosidase, which is a digestive enzyme present in the membrane of small intestine brush
8 border, hydrolyzes disaccharides and/or polysaccharides into monosaccharide units for the
9 digestion and absorption of carbohydrates. The absorption of carbohydrates by α -glucosidase
10 generally progresses rapidly in the upper part of the small intestine, leading to a sharp rise in
11 postprandial blood glucose levels. Therefore, it is essential to inhibit α -glucosidase and α -
12 amylase in the postprandial glycemic management of patients with T2DM and pre-diabetes by
13 reducing the post-prandial blood glucose level increasing after carbohydrate diet (Ali et al.,
14 2006).

15 Short-chain fatty acid (SCFA) produced by intestinal microbes fermenting carbohydrate has
16 beneficial effects on humans; and a deficiency of SCFA production is associated with T2DM
17 (Zhao et al., 2018).

18 Butyrate, acetate and propionate are SCFAs that are fermented by enterobacteria from dietary
19 fiber and take an important role in energy metabolism (Cummings, 1981). In animal
20 experiments, propionate affects the production of lipoproteins and grapes in the liver, and
21 acetate acts as a substrate for cholesterol synthesis (Schwiertz et al., 2010).

22 One of the major activities of the large intestinal microbiota is to decompose substrates such
23 as resistant starch and dietary fiber, which are not totally hydrolyzed by host enzymes in the
24 small intestine (Bird et al., 2000; Louis et al., 2007; Topping and Clifton, 2001). Medium chain

25 fatty acids (MCFAs) seem to offer protection from lipo-toxicity and subsequent insulin
26 resistance without caloric restriction (Wein et al. 2009). MCFAs reduced accumulation of fat
27 and improved glucose tolerance. So, dietary supplements including MCFAs may help prevent
28 obesity and peripheral insulin resistance (Turner et al., 2009).

29 Lactic acid bacteria are industrially important microorganisms because they have been safely
30 used in production of fermentation and functional foods for a long time (Rhee et al., 2011).

31 *Pediococcus pentosaceus* is one of the most commonly found strain in food and dairy
32 environments (Banwo et al., 2013).

33 This study was conducted to investigate the antidiabetic effect and physiological characteristics
34 of *P. pentosaceus* KI62 to determine whether *Pediococcus pentosaceus* KI62 isolated from
35 kimchi can be applied as a functional food or fermented milk.

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37 **Materials and Methods**

38 **Isolation of lactic acid bacteria**

39 Using a modified MRS medium, the strain KI62 was isolated from homemade kimchi (Lim et
40 al., 2011). The strain was incubated in *Lactobacilli* MRS broth (Difco, Detroit, MI, USA) as a
41 growth medium at 37°C for 18 h.

42 **α -amylase inhibitory activity**

43 A modified version of the method of determining α -amylase activity by Xiao et al. (2006) was
44 used. Porcine pancreas α -amylase was purchased from Sigma (St. Louis, MO, USA). The
45 substrate was prepared by boiling 0.5% soluble starch in distilled water for 5 min, and then
46 leaving it to cool to room temperature. The sample (100 μ L) and substrate (500 μ L) were mixed
47 in 400 μ L of 0.04 M phosphate buffer (pH 5.8). After that, 0.5 mg/mL α -amylase solution (100

48 μL) was added, and the solution was incubated at 25°C for 10 min. The reaction was stopped
49 by adding $100\ \mu\text{L}$ 0.1M HCl , and then $100\ \mu\text{L}$ of the solution was reacted with $1.5\ \text{mL}$ iodine
50 solution for 30 min at room temperature. Using a microplate reader (Spectramax Plus 384,
51 Molecular Devices Corp., Sunnyvale, CA, USA), the absorbance of the reactant was
52 determined at $660\ \text{nm}$.

53 **α -glucosidase inhibitory activity**

54 A α -glucosidase inhibition assay was carried out as previously described (Si et al., 2010), but
55 it was modified as follows: Inhibitory activity was measured using α -glucosidase from
56 *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* (Sigma). α -glucosidase ($50\ \mu\text{L}$, $0.75\ \text{U/mL}$) and $0.2\ \text{M}$ potassium
57 phosphate buffer ($\text{pH}\ 6.5$, $50\ \mu\text{L}$) were mixed with $50\ \mu\text{L}$ of the test sample. After pre-
58 incubation at 37°C for 15 min, $3\ \text{mM}$ *p*-nitrophenol- α -D-glucopyranoside (*p*NPG, $100\ \mu\text{L}$) was
59 added to the mixture. The enzymatic reaction was allowed to proceed at 37°C for 10 min and
60 was stopped by the addition of $750\ \mu\text{L}$ of $0.1\ \text{M}$ Na_2CO_3 . 4-Nitrophenol absorption was
61 measured at $405\ \text{nm}$ using a microplate reader.

62 **Short chain fatty acid**

63 The KI62 strain was inoculated 1% in MRS broth and MRS broth containing 3% indigestible
64 polysaccharide (maltodextrin), respectively, and cultured at 37°C for 18 hours, and the
65 supernatant was isolated to determine the contents of propionic acid, acetic acid and butyric
66 acid.

67 **Acetic acid content measurement**

68 $5\ \text{mL}$ of the sample was diluted with distilled water until the color of sample faded, then a few
69 drops of 1% phenolphthalein solution was added to it. The total acid was titrated and calculated
70 according to the following formula.

71 Total Acid (g/100 mL) = $V1 \times f \times 0.006 \times 100 / V2$

72 V1: Amount of 0.1 N sodium hydroxide solution (mL) consumed in the titration,

73 f: Titer of 0.1 N sodium hydroxide solution (1.000), V2: Amount of sample liquid used for
74 titration (mL)

75 Propionic acid content measurement

76 4 g of the sample was added to 40 mL of ACN and then extracted for 30 minutes using a
77 sonicator. The extracted solution was centrifuged at 4000 rpm for 10 minutes to separate the
78 supernatant. The separated supernatant was filtered with a 0.22 μ M membrane filter,
79 concentrated using a nitrogen concentrator, and analyzed by gas chromatograph / mass
80 spectrometer (GC-MS). The GC-MS analysis conditions are shown in Table 1.

81 Butyric acid content measurement

82 Chloroform-methanol extraction was used to extract butyric acid. Samples extracted with
83 chloroform-methanol were concentrated using an evaporator, and then esterification of fatty
84 acids to fatty acid methyl esters was performed according to the following method. 20 mg of
85 lipid was added to the tube, and 2 mL of 0.5N NaOH / Methanol was added to stop the stopper
86 and hydrolyzed on a heating block (100°C.) for about 5 minutes. After cooling, 2 mL of 14%
87 BF₃ / Methanol was added and reacted for 5 minutes, followed by shaking with 2 mL of
88 isooctane. After the reaction, 2 mL of saturated saline was added to the tube containing the
89 sample. After stopping the plug and shaking it gently for 5 seconds, the isooctane layer was
90 extracted and dehydrated using anhydrous sodium sulfate. A dehydrated fatty acid methyl ester
91 test solution was received and injected into a gas chromatograph (HP-6890GC FID, Agilent
92 Technologies, Santa Clara, Calif., USA) for analysis. The gas chromatograph analysis
93 conditions are shown in Table 2.

94 **Medium chain fatty acid**

95 Another experiment was carried out using the same method of measuring the butyric acid
96 content.

97 **Identification of strain KI62**

98 To analyze the DNA sequence of lactic acid bacteria, universal primers 27F 5'(AGA GTT TGA
99 TCC TGG CTC AG) 3' and 1492R 5'(GGT TAC CTT GTT ACG ACT T) 3' were used, and
100 PCR was performed using a Big Dye terminator cycle sequencing kit v.3.1 (Applied
101 BioSystems, USA). The amplification process was as follows: 95°C, 5 minutes; 95°C, 30
102 seconds; and 55°C, 2 minutes. It was performed 30 times at 68°C and 1 minute and 30 seconds,
103 and was finished at 68°C and 10 minutes. After removing the dNTP and the reactant, which do
104 not participate in the reaction with the PCR product of the Montage PCR Cleanup kit
105 (Millipore), sequencing was performed using primers 785F 5'(GGA TTA GAT ACC .CTG GTA)
106 3' and 907R 5'(CCG TCA ATT CMT TTR AGT TT) 3' with an automated DNA sequencing
107 system (model 3730XL, Applied BioSystems, USA).

108 **Probiotics property**

109 Antibiotic susceptibility, enzyme activity, pH and bile tolerance, antimicrobial activity, and
110 adherence assay were conducted to measure probiotic property. The antibiotic susceptibility of *P.*
111 *pentosaceus* KI62 was tested using the broth micro-dilution procedure (Phillips, et al., 1991).
112 The LAB Susceptibility test medium with cysteine (LSM-C), which consists of a mixture of
113 Iso-Sensitest broth (90%) and MRS broth (10%), supplemented with 0.3g/L L-cysteine (Klare
114 et al., 2007), was used as the medium. The enzyme activity of strain was determined using an
115 API ZYM kit (bioMérieux, Lyon, France). pH tolerance was tested as described by Clark et al.
116 (1993). Bile tolerance was tested as method of Gilliland and Walker (1990). The *P. pentosaceus*

117 KI62 strain culture was inoculated into MRS broth containing 0.05% L-cysteine (Sigma)
118 with/without 0.3% ox gall (Sigma). According to method of Gilliland and Speck (1977),
119 antimicrobial activity of strain was measured for *Escherichia coli* ATCC 21985, *Salmonella*
120 Typhimurium ATCC 14028, *Listeria monocytogenes* ATCC 15313, and *Staphylococcus aureus*
121 ATCC 6538. According to method of Kim et al (2008), the intestinal adhesion ability of the
122 strain was performed using HT-29 cells. After culturing the strain and the cells together, the
123 number of strains adhering to the cells was counted using a BCP plate count agar

124 **Statistical analysis**

125 Each experiment was performed in triplicate, and the results were displayed as the
126 mean±standard deviation (SD). Statistical analysis was performed using a XLSTAT (Addinsoft,
127 Paris, France). All analysis was conducted on $p<0.05$ significant level.

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129 **Results and Discussion**

130 **Isolation of lactic acid bacteria**

131 After collecting 40 kinds of kimchi in each region, 167 single colonies forming yellow colonies
132 were isolated using a modified MRS medium.

133 **Selection of anti-diabetic strain**

134 To select strong inhibitory activities of α -amylase and α -glucosidase, we determined the α -
135 amylase and α -glucosidase inhibitory activities of 167 kinds of isolated strain in kimchi. The
136 KI62 strain exhibited α -amylase and α -glucosidase inhibitory activity of $94.86\pm 3.30\%$ and
137 $98.59\pm 0.52\%$, respectively (Table 3). Because the dietary habits of Korean people include far
138 more carbohydrates than those of western countries, the mechanism of inhibiting the absorption
139 of carbohydrates should be combined with a mechanism for inhibiting fat absorption in order

140 to improve obesity (Jang and Jeong, 2010).

141 When the KI62 strain was inoculated in MRS broth, the contents of the SCFA were propionic
142 acid 5.95 ± 1.66 mg/kg, acetic acid 1.15 ± 0.00 g/100 mL, and butyric acid 2.38 ± 0.02 g / kg.
143 On the other hand, when the KI62 strain was inoculated in MRS broth with maltodextrin, the
144 contents of the SCFA were propionic acid 18.05 ± 1.85 mg/kg, acetic acid 1.12 ± 0.07 g/100
145 mL, and butyric acid 2.19 ± 0.061 g / kg (Fig. 1).

146 Meanwhile, the contents of the MCFA in MRS broth were C8 0.214 ± 0.007 mg/kg, C10 0.250
147 ± 0.011 mg/kg, and C12 0.223 ± 0.035 mg/kg. On the other hand, the contents of the MCFA in
148 MRS broth with maltodextrin were C8 0.262 ± 0.031 mg/kg, C10 0.279 ± 0.021 mg/kg, and
149 C12 0.203 ± 0.009 mg/kg (Fig. 2).

150 **Identification of strain KI62**

151 Following sequence analysis, it was identified as *Pediococcus pentosaceus* with a similarity of
152 99% (Data not shown). On the basis of previous studies, it was named *Pediococcus*
153 *pentosaceus* KI62.

154 **Antibiotic tolerance**

155 Table 4 shows the MIC values obtained for the 16 kinds of different antibiotics tested in *P.*
156 *pentosaceus* KI62. The penicillin-G and rifampicin MIC value was lowest among the
157 antibiotics. *P. pentosaceus* KI62 showed the highest vancomycin MIC. Banwo et al. (2013)
158 reported that vancomycin resistance of pediococci is prevalent, but, fortunately, it was thought
159 to be endogenous for a modified precursor ending in D-Ala-A-lactate. Similarly, resistance to
160 aminoglycosides such as kanamycin, gentamicin and streptomycin is also an inherent
161 characteristic of *Pediococcus* spp. (Hummel et al. 2007). According to Danielsen et al. (2007),
162 penicillin-G, chloramphenicol and erythromycin were consistent with reports of active

163 antibiotics against the *Pediococcus* spp strain.

164 According to the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA, 2008) and the Scientific Committee
165 for Animal Nutrition (SCAN, 2002), *P. pentosaceus* KI62 was susceptible to clindamycin and
166 erythromycin. Note, however, that, according to those same sources, it was resistant to
167 gentamycin, kanamycin, streptomycin, ampicillin, tetracycline, clindamycin, erythromycin,
168 and chloramphenicol because the MICs were equal to or higher than the breakpoints. These
169 results show that the *P. pentosaceus* KI62 strain generally has antibiotic tolerance.

170 **Enzyme activity**

171 The enzyme activities of the *P. pentosaceus* KI62 strain are shown in Table 5. The KI62 did
172 not produce β -glucuronidase, a harmful enzyme related to the inducement of toxins,
173 carcinogenesis, and mutagens (Dabek et al., 2008). Notably, the activity of leucine arylamidase
174 was 5 degrees, and that of valine arylamidase was 4 degrees. β -galactosidase and β -glucosidase
175 are useful enzymes. Especially, the KI62 displayed β -galactosidase activity that can relieve the
176 symptoms of lactose intolerance because β -galactosidase hydrolyzes lactose to galactose and
177 glucose in milk (De Verse et al., 2003). According to Tzanetakis and Litopoulou-Tzanetaki
178 (1989), the average enzyme activity of leucine arylamidase and valine arylamidase among 49
179 strains of *P. pentosaceus* isolated from raw goat milk and Feta and Kaseri cheese were 4.98 and
180 4.92, respectively, and the average enzyme activity of β -galactosidase and β -glucosidase were
181 4.61 and 2.99, respectively. These results showed that the enzyme activity of leucine
182 arylamidase and valine arylamidase was similar, while β -galactosidase and β -glucosidase
183 showed slightly lower enzyme activity.

184 **pH and bile tolerance**

185 To be used as probiotic, bacteria should have strong resistance to acid and bile (Lee and

186 Salminen, 1995). Acid and bile tolerance is required for bacterial growth and is involved in the
187 defense mechanisms in the intestine. The bacteria should also survive passage through the
188 stomach as well as in food (Lee and Salminen, 1995; Henriksson et al., 1999; Succi et al., 2005).
189 The pH of the stomach is 2-3, and the food passes through the stomach for a period of 2-3 h
190 (Maragkoudakis et al., 2006).

191 As a result of incubation for 7 h in MRS broth, the log value of strain was reached at 9.20. But,
192 the log value of strains was 8.44 when incubation for 7 h in MRS broth adding 0.3% oxgall.
193 Consequently, the survival rate of *P. pentosaceus* KI62 in MRS broth containing 0.3% bile was
194 91.67%. *P. pentosaceus* KI62 has probiotic potential because a relatively high percentage of
195 the strain survived in MRS broth adding 0.3% bile salt.

196 Fig. 4 shows the pH tolerance of *P. pentosaceus* KI62. When incubation for 3h in pH 2.0, it
197 had a survival rate of 98.63% and the growth of the strain was not influenced by pH 3, 4, or
198 6.4. These results show that the strain was more resistant than Vidhyasagar and Jeevaratnam
199 (2013), who reported that the number of bacteria decreased by 1-2 log when inoculated into
200 MRS broth with *P. pentosaceus* at pH 2 for 2 hours.

201 In other words, *P. pentosaceus* KI62 has the best acid and bile tolerance ability because a
202 relatively high percentage of the strain survived in MRS broth adding 0.3% bile salt as well as
203 under a highly acidic condition.

204 **Antimicrobial activity**

205 Some strains of LAB produce a variety of antimicrobial substances that can prevent the growth
206 of pathogenic and spoilage bacteria. The antimicrobial metabolites of LAB include hydrogen
207 peroxide, organic acid, bacteriocins, and diacetyl (Ahmadova et al., 2013). To improve human
208 health, probiotics have to decrease the incidence of pathogenic bacteria. Therefore, the process

209 of choosing beneficial probiotics in the presence of pathogenic bacteria is important. the
210 procedure for selecting probiotics, which are beneficial in the presence of pathogenic bacteria,
211 is important in acting against these pathogens (Kesarcodi-Watson et al., 2012).

212 *P. pentosaceus* KI62 showed resistance to *E. coli*, *S. Typhimurium*, *L. monocytogenes*, and *S.*
213 *aureus* at rates of 29.41%, 38.10%, 51.72%, and 50.47%, respectively (Table 6). The pH value
214 of pathogens after incubation for 6 h was around 5.24-6.24, whereas the pH value of a culture
215 with *P. pentosaceus* KI62 and pathogens was around 4.67-4.75. Although the lactic acid
216 produced during culture was not large, it was found to have an effect on antibacterial activity.
217 Bao et al. (2010) investigated the ability for co-aggregation with pathogens of 11 strains
218 isolated from traditional dairy products. The 11 strains showed resistance to *E. coli*, *S.*
219 *Typhimurium*, *L. monocytogenes*, and *S. aureus* at rates of 10.5-32.4%, 10.0-29.7%, 11.0-
220 34.0%, and 17.7-49.9%, respectively. These results showed that the *P. pentosaceus* KI62 strain
221 exhibited higher overall antimicrobial activity, especially *L. monocytogenes* and *S. aureus*.

222 **Adhesion ability**

223 Their adhesion to intestinal epithelium is one of the main screening criterion for choosing
224 probiotics (Blum, et al, 1999). This ability takes account of precondition for showing beneficial
225 effects, such as the bar of enteropathogenic bacteria (Bernet et al., 1993; Lee et al., 2003). HT-
226 29 cells are generally derived from colon carcinoma, and representing the property of a
227 differentiated absorbent enterocytes. *Lactobacillus rhamnosus* GG was demonstrated to have
228 great ability to adhere to the epithelial cell line in many previous studies (Martin et al., 2005;
229 Gopal et al., 2001). As shown in Fig. 5, 23.31% of *P. pentosaceus* KI62 adhered to HT-29 cell,
230 and 24.49% of the *L. rhamnosus* GG strain adhered to the cell. These results were higher than
231 those of Vidhyasagar and Jeevaratnam (2013), who reported that 16% of *P. pediococcus* VJ13

232 adhered to Caca-2 cells. Thus, one can say that *P. pentosaceus* KI62 exhibits great adherence
233 to the epithelial surface.

234

235 **Conclusion**

236 This study was conducted to investigate the anti-diabetic effects of *P. pentosaceus* KI62
237 selected from among LAB isolated from kimchi, and to study its physiological characteristics
238 to confirm the potential of health functional food or fermented milk as a starter. On the basis
239 of the nucleotide sequence of 16s rDNA gene, it was named *P. pentosaceus* KI62. The *P.*
240 *pentosaceus* KI62 strain was observed to exhibit α -amylase and α -glucosidase inhibitory
241 activity of $94.86\pm 3.30\%$ and $98.59\pm 0.52\%$, respectively. The contents of short chain fatty acids
242 (SCFA) in MRS broth containing 3% maltodextrin inoculated by *P. pentosaceus* KI62 were
243 propionic acid 8.78 ± 1.12 mg/kg, acetic acid 1.34 ± 0.07 g/100 mL, and butyric acid 0.876 ± 0.003
244 g/kg. The contents of medium chain fatty acids (MCFA) in MRS broth containing 3%
245 maltodextrin inoculated by *P. pentosaceus* KI62 were C8 0.262 ± 0.031 mg/kg, C10
246 0.279 ± 0.021 mg/kg, and C12 0.203 ± 0.009 mg/kg. In a comparison of sixteen different
247 antibiotics, *P. pentosaceus* KI62 showed higher sensitivity to penicillin-G, rifampicin, and
248 clindamycin, as well as the highest resistance to vancomycin and ampicillin.

249 *P. pentosaceus* KI62 has the best bile and acid tolerance ability. KI62 showed resistance to *E.*
250 *coli*, *S. Typhimurium*, *L. monocytogenes*, and *S. aureus* at rates of 29.41%, 38.10%, 51.72%,
251 and 50.47%, respectively. KI62 exhibited 23.31% adherence to the epithelial surface. These
252 results demonstrate that *P. pentosaceus* KI62 has potential as a probiotic with anti-diabetic
253 effects.

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Table 1. Specification and operating condition of GC for propionic acid analysis

Device	Parameter	Condition
GC	Column	HP-FFAP (0.32 mm i.d. × 30 m, 0.25 μ M)
	Oven temperature program	60°C (4 min) → 115°C(28°C/min) → 240°C(20°C/min, 5min)
	Inlet temperature	200°C
	Injector temperature	200°C
	Injection volume	1 μ L
	Split ratio	Splitless
	Carrier	Helium, 1.0 mL/min
MS	Ionization mode	EI
	Electron impact mode	70 eV
	Selected ion (m/z)	74 ¹⁾ , 57, 45
	MS ion source temperature	200°C

¹⁾ Quantitation ion

Table 2. Specification and operating condition of GC for butyric acid analysis

Instrument	GC-FDI
Column	SP-2560(Supelco, 100m x 0.2mm ID, 0.2um film)
Detector	Flame ionization detector
Oven temperature	100°C(2min) - 4°C/min - 230°C(20min)
Injection temperature	230°C
Detector temperature	250°C
Carrier gas	He
Column flow	1.5 mL/min
Injection volumn	1.0 uL
Split ratio	50:1

Table 3. Selected lactic acid bacteria having anti-diabetes

(%)

Strain	α -amylase inhibition	α -glucosidase inhibition
KI62	94.86 \pm 3.30	98.59 \pm 0.52

Values are mean \pm standard deviation of three replicates.

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Table 3. Antibiotics susceptibility of *Pediococcus pentosaceus* KI62

Anti-microbial agents	Minimal inhibitory concentrations ($\mu\text{g/mL}$)
Amikacin	64
Gentamycin	128
Kanamycin	128
Streptomycin	256
Ampicillin	>2048
Penicillin-G	0.5
Oxacillin	4
Bacitracin	128
Polymyxin B	>512
Ciprofloxacin	128
Tetracycline	64
Clindamycin	1
Erythromycin	2
Rifampicin	0.5
Vancomycin	>4096
Chloramphenicol	4

Table 4. Enzyme patterns of *Pediococcus pentosaceus* KI62

Enzyme	<i>Pediococcus pentosaceus</i> KI62
Alkaline phosphatase	0
Esterase (C4)	0
Esterase lipase (C8)	0
Lipase (C14)	1
Leucine arylamidase	5
Valine arylamidase	4
Cystine arylamidase	1
Trypsin	0
α -chymotrypsin	0
Acid phosphatase	2
Naphtol-AS-BI-phosphohydrolase	3
α -galactosidase	0
β -galactosidase	2
β -glucuronidase	0
α -glucosidase	0
β -glucosidase	2
N-acetyl- β -glucosaminidase	2
α -mannosidase	0
α -fucosidase	0

*: A value ranging from 0 to 2 is assigned to the standard color: zero represents a negative; 5 represents a reaction of maximum intensity. Values 1 through 4 represent intermediate reactions depending on the level of intensity. The approximate activity may be estimated from the color strength: 1 corresponds to the liberation of 5nanomoles; 2, to 10nanomoles; 3, to 20nanomoles; 4, to 30nanomoles; and 5, to 40nanomoles or more.

Table 5. Inhibition of pathogens by *Pediococcus pentosaceus* KI62 in MRS broth

Pathogens	Growth				Inhibition (%)
	Pathogens ^a		KI62+pathogens ^a		
	CFU/mL	pH	CFU/mL	pH	
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	6.80±0.14×10 ⁶	6.22	4.80±0.28×10 ⁵	4.72	29.41%
<i>Salmonella</i> Typhimurium	3.15±0.64×10 ⁷	6.17	1.95±0.21×10 ⁷	4.75	38.10%
<i>Listeria monocytogenes</i>	1.45±0.07×10 ⁵	6.24	7.00±0.14×10 ⁴	4.67	51.72%
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	7.13±0.75×10 ⁶	5.24	3.53±0.60×10 ⁶	4.67	50.47%

* Initial count of *Pediococcus pentosaceus* KI62: 3.63±0.35 × 10⁶ CFU/mL

^a Determined after 6 h of incubation at 37°C

Values are mean ± standard deviation of the three replicates.

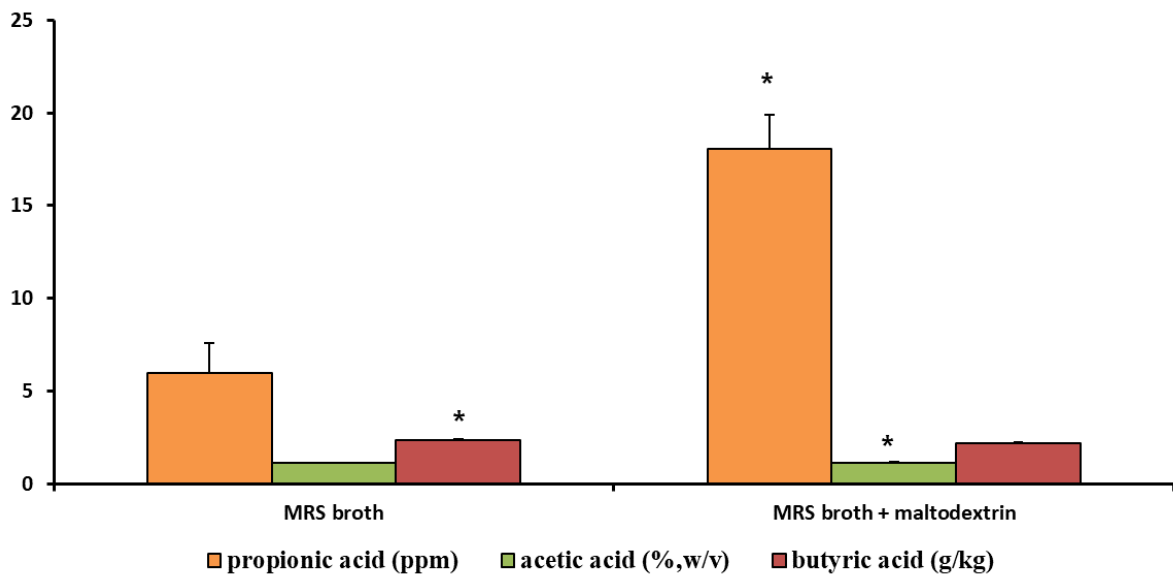


Fig. 1. Production of short chain fatty acid of *Pediococcus pentosaceus* KI62 in MRS broth and MRS broth with 3% maltodextrin. * $p < 0.05$ between with maltodextrin and without maltodextrin (*t*-test)

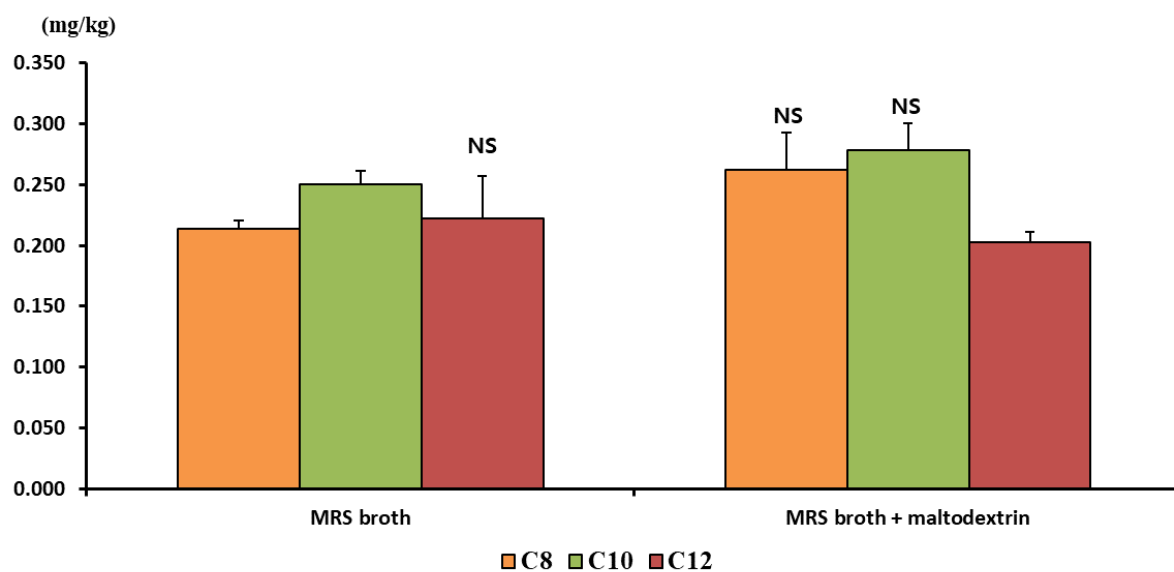


Fig. 2. Production of medium chain fatty acid of *Pediococcus pentosaceus* KI62 in MRS broth and MRS broth with 3% maltodextrin. ^{NS} Means that the values are not significantly different between with maltodextrin and without maltodextrin (*t*-test).

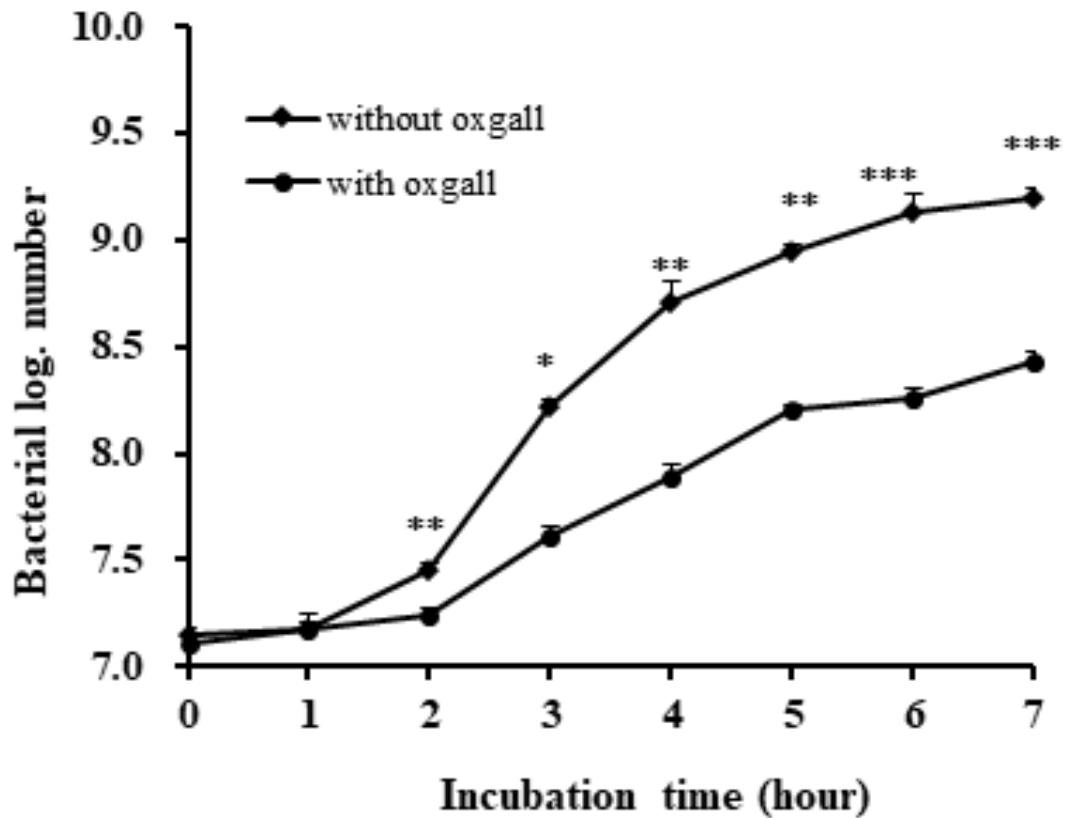


Fig. 3. Growth of *Pediococcus pentosaceus* KI62 in MRS broth containing 0.05% L-cysteine with/without 0.3% oxgall. Values are mean \pm standard deviation of the three replicates; *p<0.05, **p<0.01 and ***p<0.001 between with ox gall and without oxgall (*t*-test)

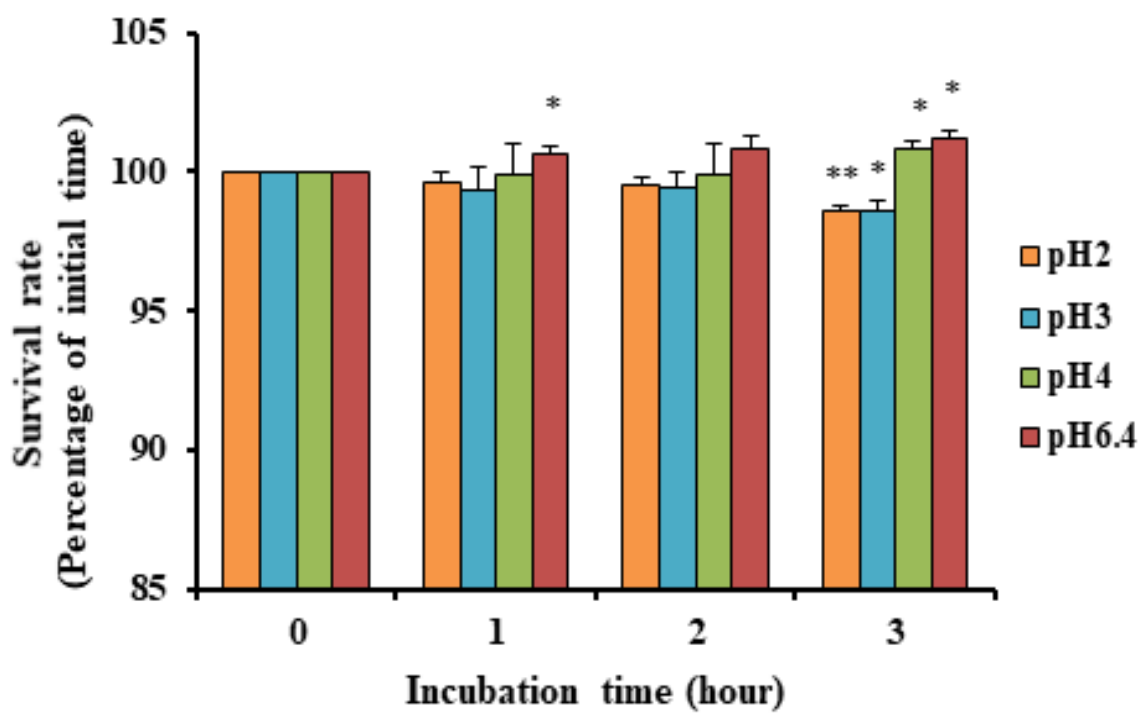


Fig. 4. Survival of *Pediococcus pentosaceus* KI62 after three hours in HCl solution. Values are mean \pm standard deviation of the three replicates; * $p < 0.05$ and ** $p < 0.01$ compared with initial time (t-test)

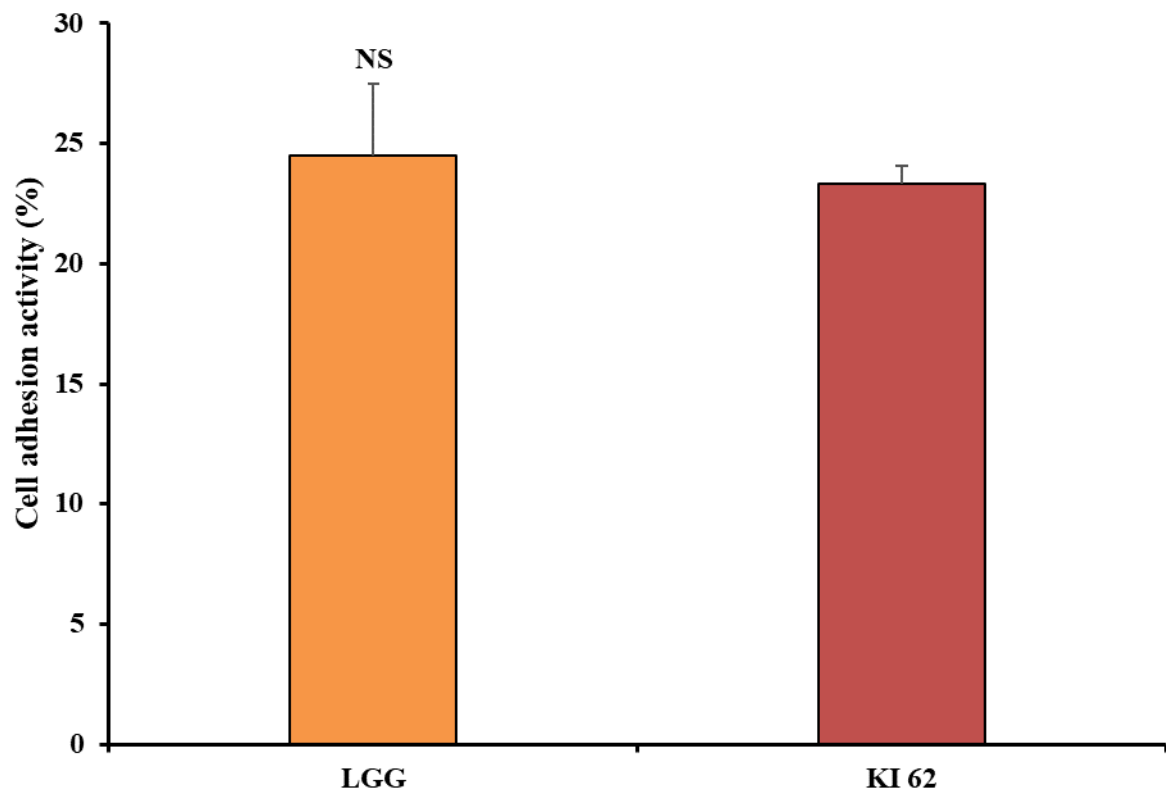


Fig. 5. Adhesion ability of *Pediococcus pentosaceus* KI62 to HT-29 cell. Values are mean \pm standard deviation of the three replicates. ^{NS} Means that the values are not significantly different compared with *Lactobacillus rhamnosus* GG (t-test, $p < 0.05$).