

# Supplementary Materials: Prebiotic activity of poly- and oligosaccharides obtained from *Plantago major* L. leaves

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## Additional tables

Below are the tables, which present the results from the performed statistical analyses using Three-Way ANOVA and Tukey's HSD tests for post-hoc evaluation.

**Table 1.** Tests of Between-Subjects Effects and Tukey's HSD test (Three-Way ANOVA), evaluating the statistical significance of the independent variables (bacterial strain, carbon source and time) and their combinations on the dependant variable (OD 600).

Tests of Between-Subjects Effects (Dependent Variable: OD 600)										
	Corrected Model	Intercept	Bacterial strain (A)	Carbon source (B)	Time (C)	A*B	A*C	B*C	A*B*C	
Sig.	< 0.0005	< 0.0005	< 0.0005	< 0.0005	< 0.0005	< 0.0005		< 0.0005		
Partial Eta <sup>2</sup>	.997	.998	.928	.990	.995	.946	.822	.975	.849	
$R^2 = .997 (R^2_{Adj.} = .996)$										
Tukey HSD Test (Dependent Variable: OD 600)										
Time (I)	0 h					3 h				
Time (J)	3 h	6 h	10 h	14 h	20 h	0 h	6 h	10 h	14 h	
(I-J)**	-.719*	-.943*	-1.199*	-1.460*	-1.715*	.719*	-.224*	-.480*	-.741*	-.996*
Std. Error	.0118	.0118	.0118	.0118	.0118	.0118	.0118	.0118	.0118	.0118
Sig.	< 0.0005					< 0.0005				
Time (I)	6 h					10 h				
Time (J)	0 h	3 h	10 h	14 h	20 h	0 h	3 h	6 h	14 h	
(I-J)**	.943*	.224*	-.256*	-.517*	-.772*	1.199*	.480*	.256*	-.261*	-.516*
Std. Error	.0118	.0118	.0118	.0118	.0118	.0118	.0118	.0118	.0118	.0118
Sig.	< 0.0005					< 0.0005				
Time (I)	14 h					20 h				
Time (J)	0 h	3 h	6 h	10 h	20 h	0 h	3 h	6 h	10 h	
(I-J)**	1.460*	.741*	.517*	.261*	-.256*	1.715*	.996*	.772*	.516*	.256*
Std. Error	.0118	.0118	.0118	.0118	.0118	.0118	.0118	.0118	.0118	.0118
Sig.	< 0.0005					< 0.0005				

\*\*Mean difference between Time point (I) and Time point (J).

**Table 2.** Tests of Between-Subjects Effects (Three-Way ANOVA), evaluating the statistical significance of the independent variables (bacterial strain, carbon source and time) and their combinations on the dependant variables (fermentation products: total lactic acid, acetic acid and ethanol).

Fermentation products	Total lactic acid		Acetic acid		Ethanol	
	Sig.	Partial Eta <sup>2</sup>	Sig.	Partial Eta <sup>2</sup>	Sig.	Partial Eta <sup>2</sup>
<b>Corrected Model</b>	< 0.0005	.999	< 0.0005	1.000	< 0.0005	.984
<b>Intercept</b>	< 0.0005	.999	< 0.0005	1.000	< 0.0005	.973
<b>Carbon source (A)</b>	< 0.0005	.996	< 0.0005	.999	< 0.0005	.750
<b>Bacterial strain (B)</b>	< 0.0005	.984	< 0.0005	.879	< 0.0005	.787
<b>Time (C)</b>	< 0.0005	.999	< 0.0005	.999	< 0.0005	.951
<b>A*B</b>	< 0.0005	.978	< 0.0005	.985	< 0.0005	.948
<b>A*C</b>	< 0.0005	.995	< 0.0005	.999	< 0.0005	.644
<b>B*C</b>	< 0.0005	.972	< 0.0005	.979	< 0.0005	.756
<b>A*B*C</b>	< 0.0005	.972	< 0.0005	.991	< 0.0005	.916
<b>Determination</b>	$R^2 = .999 (R^2_{Adj.} = .999)$		$R^2 = .999 (R^2_{Adj.} = .999)$		$R^2 = .984 (R^2_{Adj.} = .976)$	

**Table 3.** Tests of Between-Subjects Effects (Three-Way ANOVA), evaluating the statistical significance of the independent variables (bacterial strain, carbon source and time) and their combinations on the dependant variables (enzyme activity:  $\alpha$ -galactosidase,  $\alpha$ -glucosidase and  $\beta$ -xylosidase activity).

Enzyme activity	$\alpha$ -galactosidase		$\alpha$ -glucosidase		$\beta$ -xylosidase	
	Sig.	Partial Eta <sup>2</sup>	Sig.	Partial Eta <sup>2</sup>	Sig.	Partial Eta <sup>2</sup>
<b>Corrected Model</b>	< 0.0005	.996	< 0.0005	.997	< 0.0005	.997
<b>Intercept</b>	< 0.0005	.993	< 0.0005	.998	< 0.0005	.996
<b>Carbon source (A)</b>	< 0.0005	.112	< 0.0005	.398	< 0.0005	.504
<b>Bacterial strain (B)</b>	< 0.0005	.983	< 0.0005	.977	< 0.0005	.990
<b>Time (C)</b>	< 0.0005	.990	< 0.0005	.995	< 0.0005	.992
<b>A*B</b>	< 0.0005	.959	< 0.0005	.955	< 0.0005	.946
<b>A*C</b>	< 0.0005	.897	< 0.0005	.627	< 0.0005	.978
<b>B*C</b>	< 0.0005	.984	< 0.0005	.980	< 0.0005	.982
<b>A*B*C</b>	< 0.0005	.954	< 0.0005	.958	< 0.0005	.954
<b>Determination</b>	$R^2 = .996 (R^2_{Adj.} = .995)$		$R^2 = .997 (R^2_{Adj.} = .996)$		$R^2 = .997 (R^2_{Adj.} = .996)$	