

# Highly efficient biotransformation and production of selenium nanoparticles and polysaccharides using potential probiotic *Bacillus subtilis* T5

Supplementary Materials:

**Table S1.** Color changes of isolates in LA broth containing different concentrations of selenite.

Bacteria	50 mM	100 mM	150 mM	200 mM
<i>Bacillus licheniformis</i> ES-1	+++	++	-	-
<i>Bacillus tequilensis</i> ES-2	++	-	-	-
<i>Lysinibacillus fusiformis</i> XF-1	++++	++++	++	-
<i>Bacillus paralicheniformis</i> XF-4	++++	+++	++	-
<i>Bacillus subtilis</i> T5	++++	++++	+++	+++
<i>Bacillus cereus</i> T4	++++	+++	+	-
<i>Bacillus pumilus</i> H4T-9	+++	++	-	-

- normal; + slightly red; ++ orange; +++ red; ++++ crimson.

**Table S2.** Biochemical characteristics of strain T5 and *Bacillus subtilis*

Characteristic	Strain T5	<i>Bacillus subtilis</i> [1]
Oxidase	+	V
Voges–Proskauer test	—	—
Indole production	—	—
Gelatin liquefaction	V	+
Carbon sources utilization	—	—
D-xylose	—	—
L-arabinose	—	—
D-mannose	—	—
Sucrose	—	—
$\alpha$ -D-glucose	—	—
Lactose	—	—
Arginine decomposition	—	—
Lysine decomposition	—	—
Ornithine decomposition	—	—

+ Positive; - Negative; V variable.



**Figure S1.** Images of cultures of strain T5 grown. (a) In the absence; (b) In the presence of 200 mM selenite.

**References:**

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