

Supplementary material for the article

Description of *Aliinostoc alkaliphilum* sp. nov. (Nostocales, Cyanobacteria), a new bioactive metabolite-producing strain from Salina Verde (Pantanal, Brazil) and taxonomic distribution of bioactive metabolites in *Nostoc* and *Nostoc*-like genera.

Maria Christodoulou^{1,*}, Jouni Jokela¹, Matti Wahlsten¹, Lyudmila Saari¹, Athena Economou-Amilli², Marli de Fatima Fiore³ and Kaarina Sivonen¹

¹ Department of Microbiology, Faculty of Agriculture and Forestry, University of Helsinki, P.O. Box 56, 00014, Helsinki, Finland

² Department of Ecology and Systematics, Faculty of Biology, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Athens 15784, Greece

³ Laboratory of Cellular and Molecular Biology, Center for Nuclear Energy in Agriculture, University of São Paulo, Piracicaba 13416-000, São Paulo, Brazil

* Correspondence: maria.christodoulou@helsinki.fi

D1-D1' helices

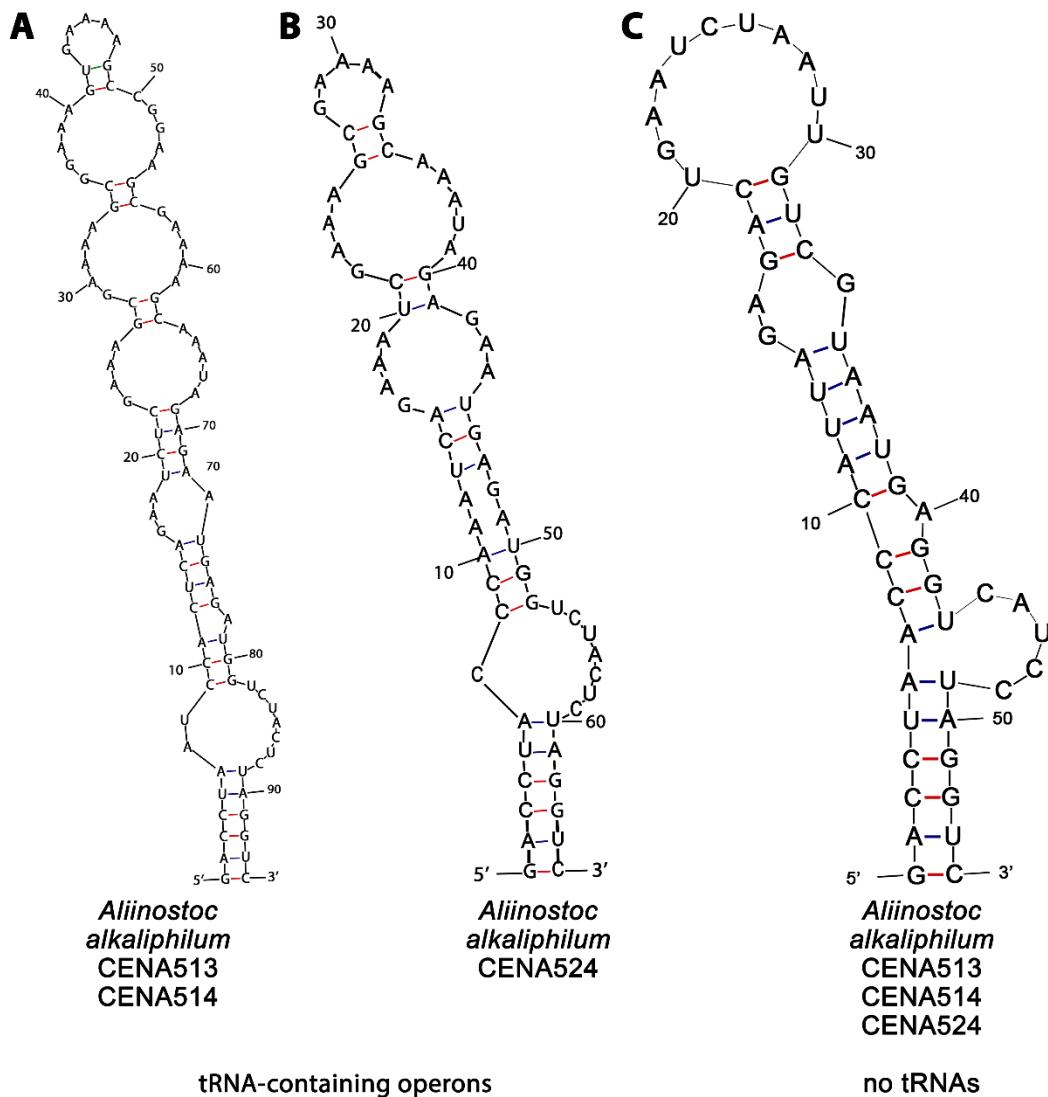


Figure S1. D1 stem region in *A. alkaliphilum* strains in tRNA-containing operons (A-B) and operons without tRNA (C). **A;** *CENA513^T* and *CENA514* (OK042916 and OK042918, respectively), **B;** *A. alkaliphilum* *CENA524* (OK042920), **C;** *A. alkaliphilum* *CENA513^T*, *CENA514* and *CENA524* (OK042917, OK042919 and OK042921, respectively).

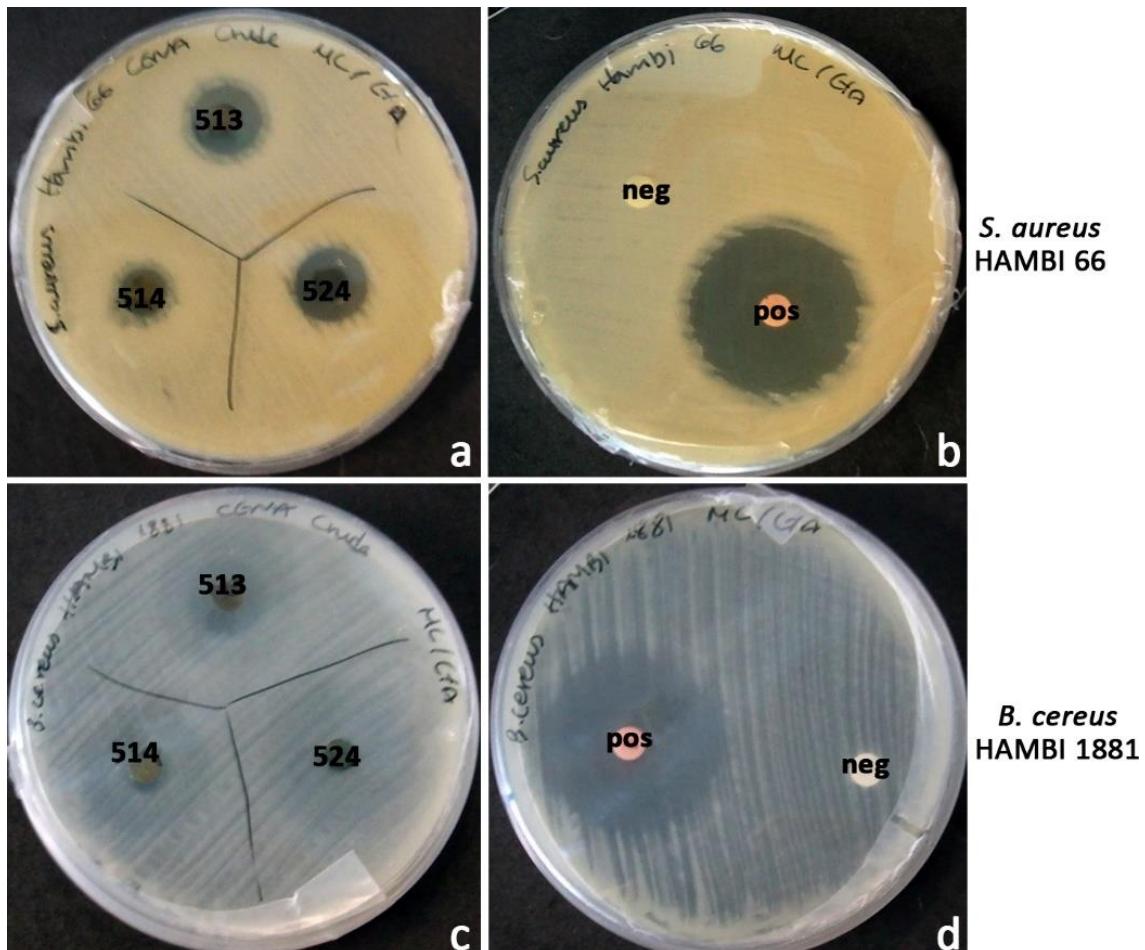


Figure S2. Antibacterial susceptibility tests performed using crude cyanobacterial extracts. The amount of sample per disk was equivalent to 30 mg of freeze-dried biomass. (a-b) *Staphylococcus aureus* HAMBI 66. (c-d) *Bacillus cereus* HAMBI 1881. Note the bacteriostatic activity of CENA514 and 524 on *B. cereus* in contrast to bacteriocidal activity of CENA513^T on the same pathogen. pos; positive control (Kanamycin 1000 µg per disk). neg; negative control (300 µL of 100% MeOH per disk). Disk diameter = 6 mm.

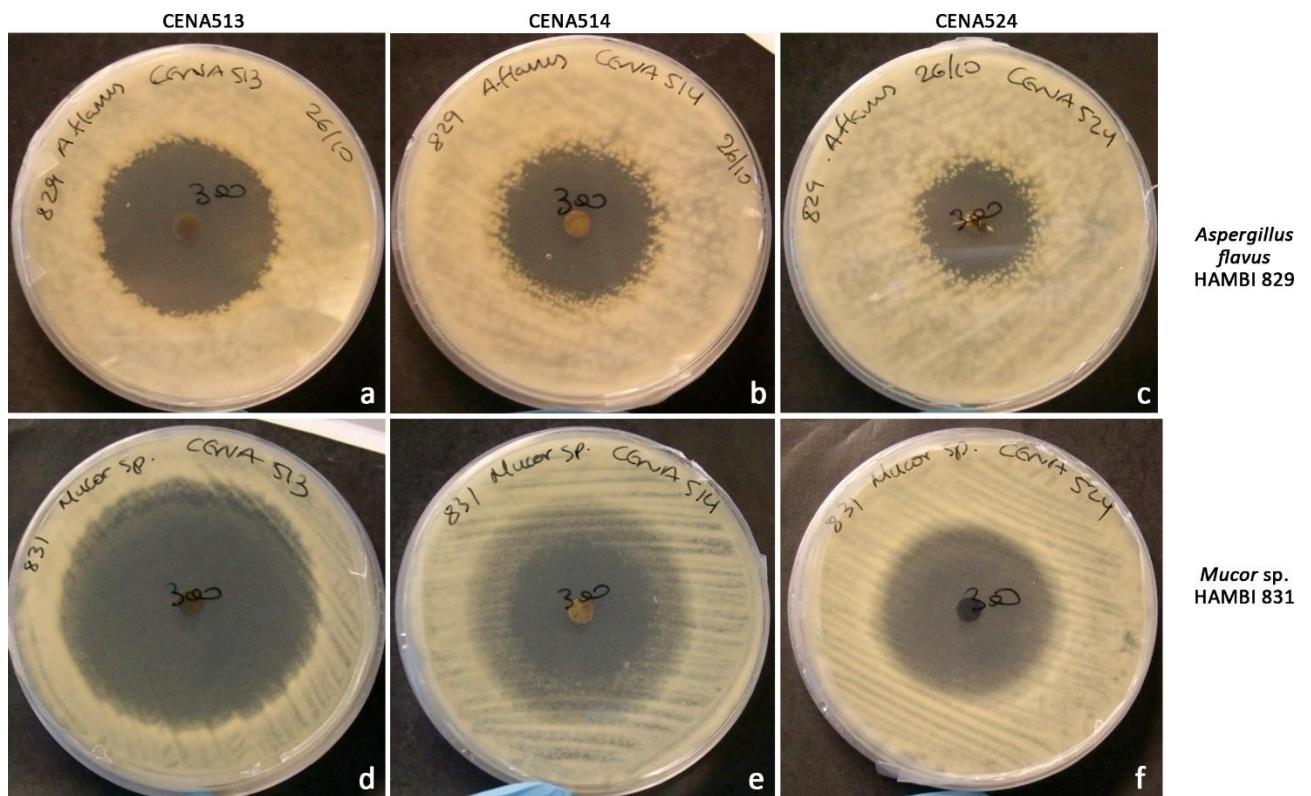


Figure S3. Antifungal activity of *Aliinostoc alkaliphilum*. CENA513 (left), CENA514 (middle), CENA524 (right) on *Aspergillus flavus* HAMBI 829 (a–c) and *Mucor* sp. HAMBI 831 (d–f). The amount of sample per disk was equivalent to 30 mg of freeze-dried biomass. Zones of inhibition in CENA513^T are clearly larger compared to CENA514 and CENA524. Disk diameter = 6 mm.

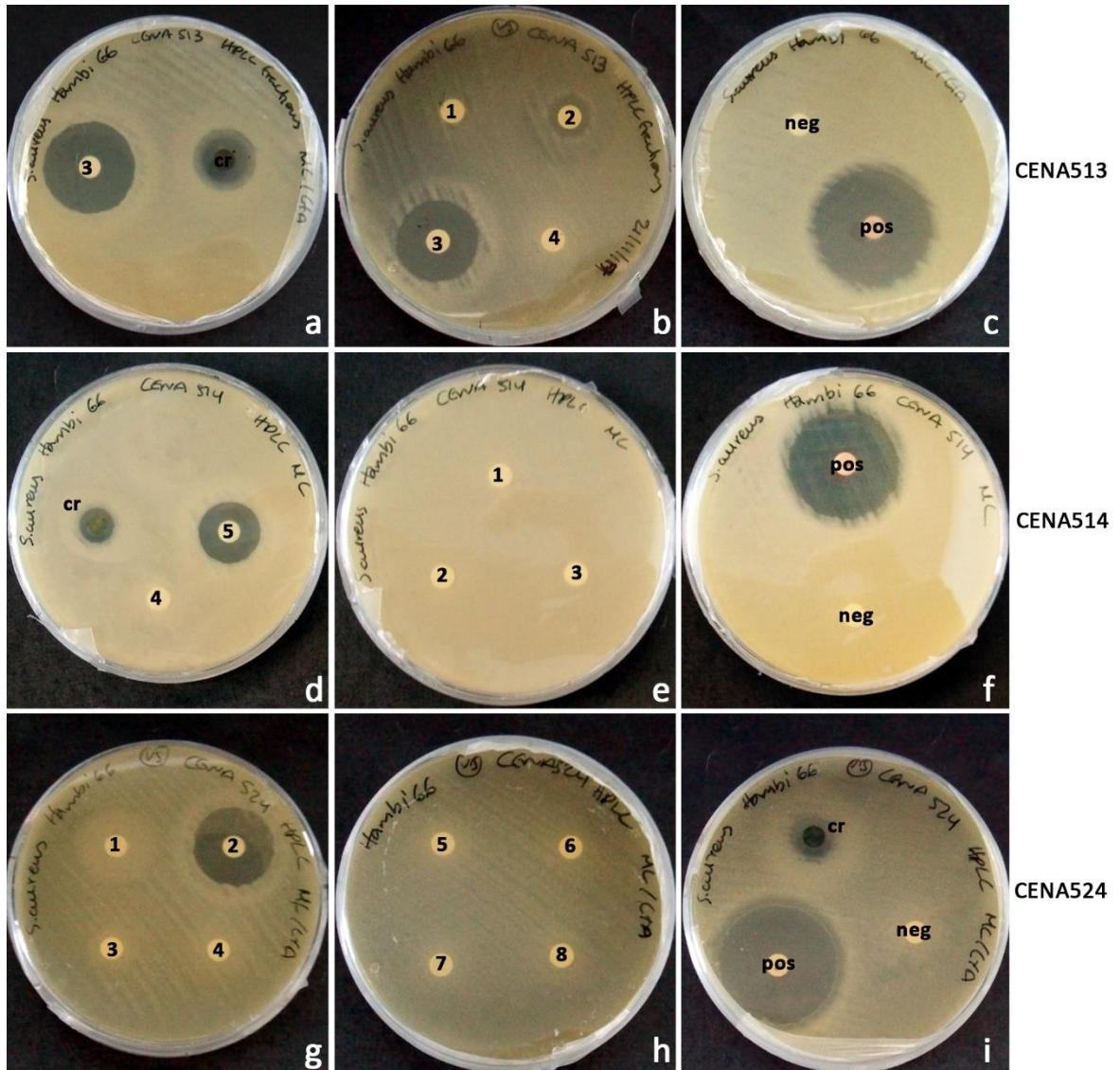


Figure S4. Antimicrobial susceptibility tests performed using HPLC fractions and crude extract of *Aliinostoc alkaliphilum* CENA513^T (a–c), CENA514 (d–f) and CENA524 (g–i) against *S. aureus* HAMBI 66. The concentration of metabolites in both HPLC fractions and crude extract corresponds to 30 mg of freeze-dried biomass. Numbers on disks correspond to HPLC fractions of CENA513^T, CENA514 and CENA524. Note that HPLC fraction 3 of CENA513^T is present in figures a and b for comparison reasons. cr; crude extract. pos; positive control (kanamycin 1000 µg per disk). neg; negative control (300 µL of 100% MeOH per disk). Disk diameter = 6 mm.

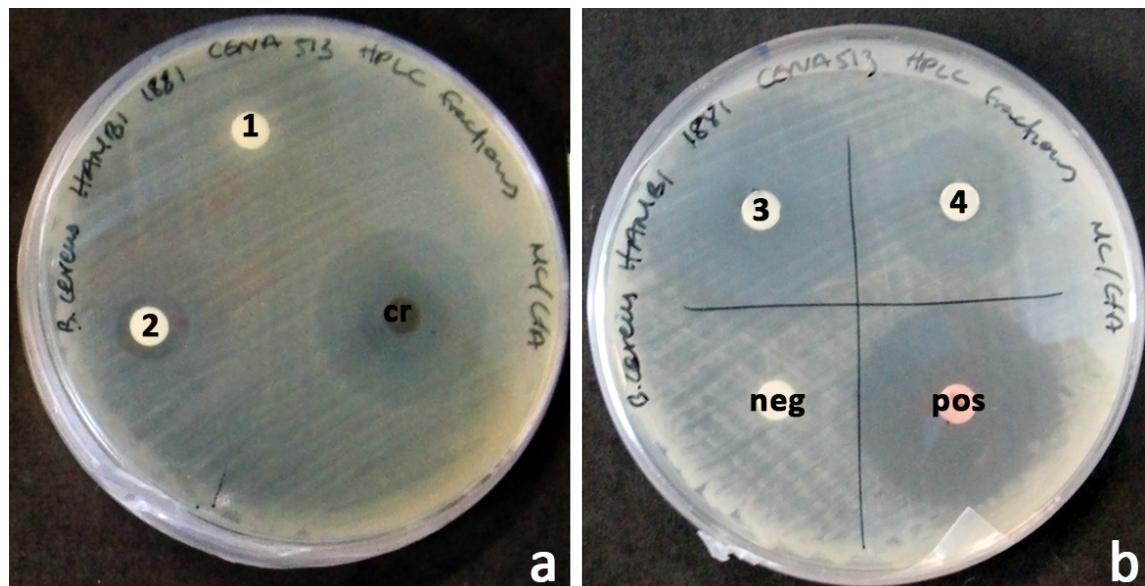


Figure S5. Antimicrobial susceptibility tests performed using HPLC fractions of *Aliinostoc alkaliphilum*, CENA513^T (a–b) against *B. cereus* HAMBI 1881. Note the bacteriocidal activity of HPLC fraction 513#2 and bacteriostatic activity of HPLC fractions 513#3 and 513#4 on *B. cereus*. Crude extract (cr) was also used as positive a control. The concentration of metabolites in both HPLC fractions and crude extract corresponds to 30 mg of freeze-dried biomass. 1–4; HPLC fractions. pos; positive control (kanamycin 1000 µg per disk). neg; negative control (300 µL of 100% MeOH per disk). Disk diameter = 6 mm.

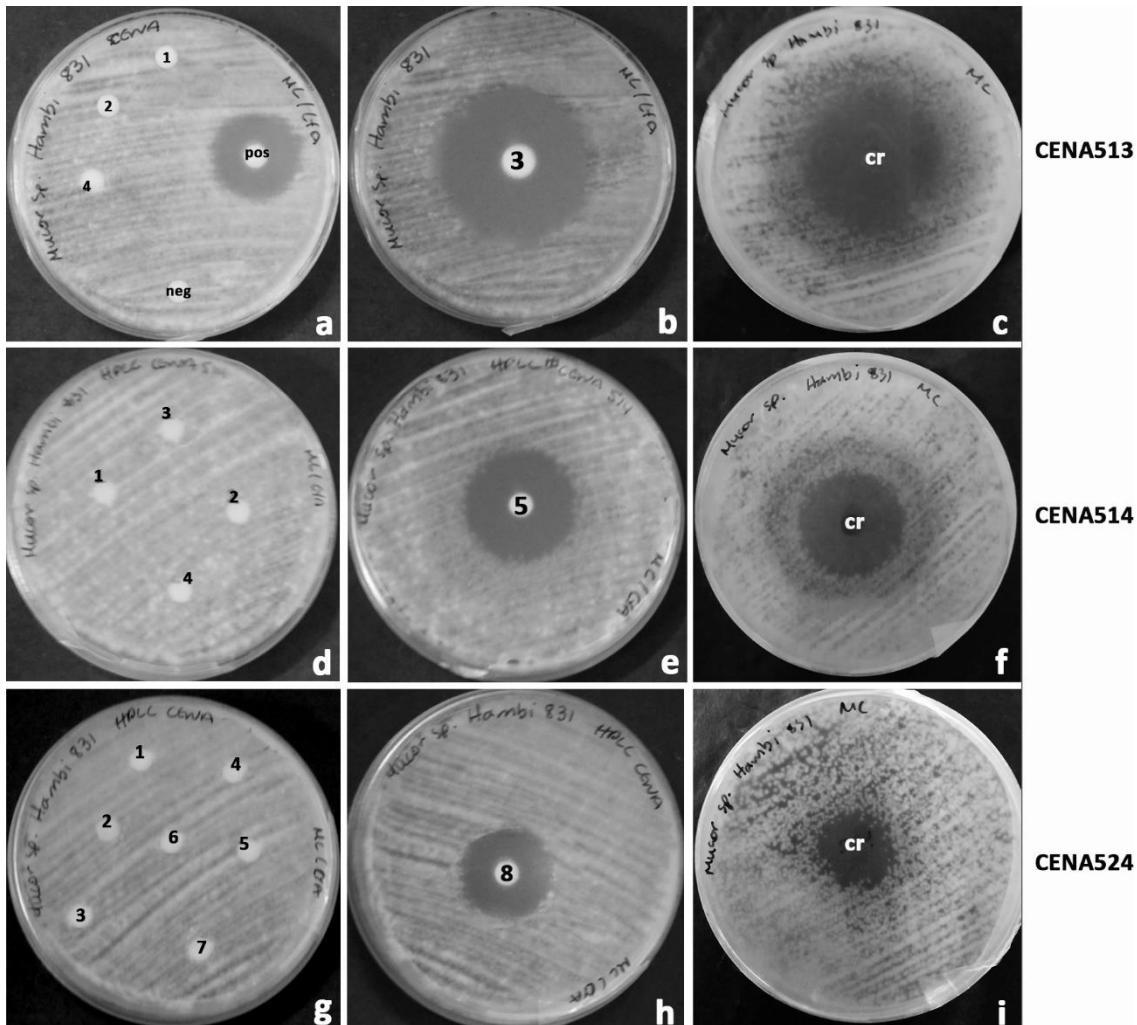


Figure S6. Antifungal susceptibility tests performed using HPLC fractions and crude extract of *Aliinostoc alkaliphilum* CENA513^T (a–c), CENA514 (d–f) and CENA524 (g–i) against *Mucor* sp. HAMBI 831. The concentration of metabolites in both HPLC fractions and crude extract corresponds to 10 mg of freeze-dried biomass. (c) Positive and negative controls. Numbers correspond to HPLC fractions. cr; crude extract. pos; positive control [50 µL of nystatin solution (1 mg mL⁻¹)]. neg; negative control (300 µL of 100% MeOH per disk). Disk diameter = 6 mm.

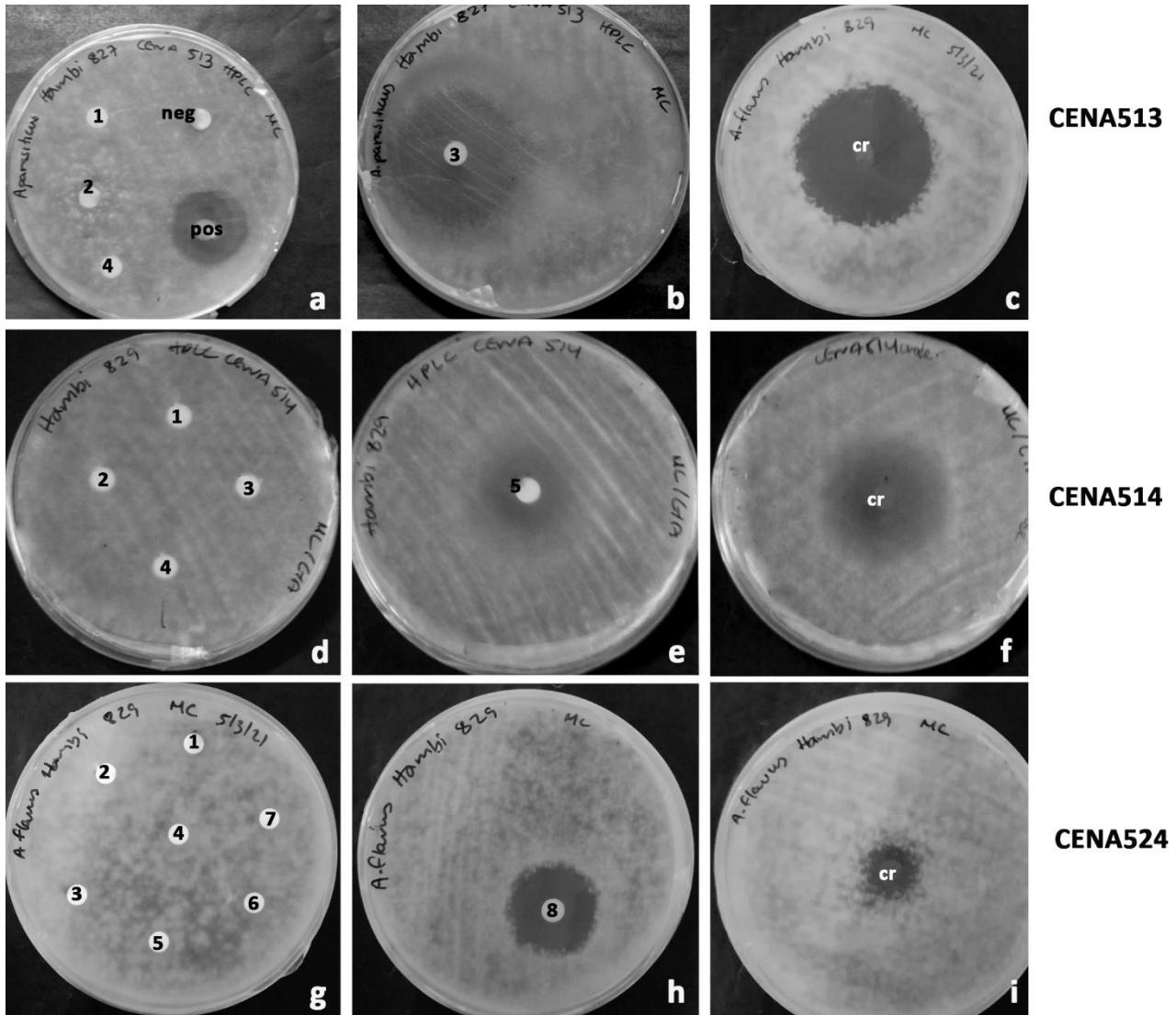


Figure S7. Antifungal susceptibility tests performed using HPLC fractions and crude extract of *Aliinostoc alkaliphilum* CENA513^T (a–c), CENA514 (d–f) and CENA524 (g–i) against *Aspergillus flavus*. HAMBI 829. The concentration of metabolites in both HPLC fractions and crude extract corresponds to 10 mg of freeze-dried biomass. (c) Positive and negative controls. Numbers correspond to HPLC fractions. **cr**; crude extract. **pos**; positive control [50 µL of nystatin solution (1 mg mL⁻¹)]. **neg**; negative control (300 µL of 100% MeOH per disk). Disk diameter = 6 mm.

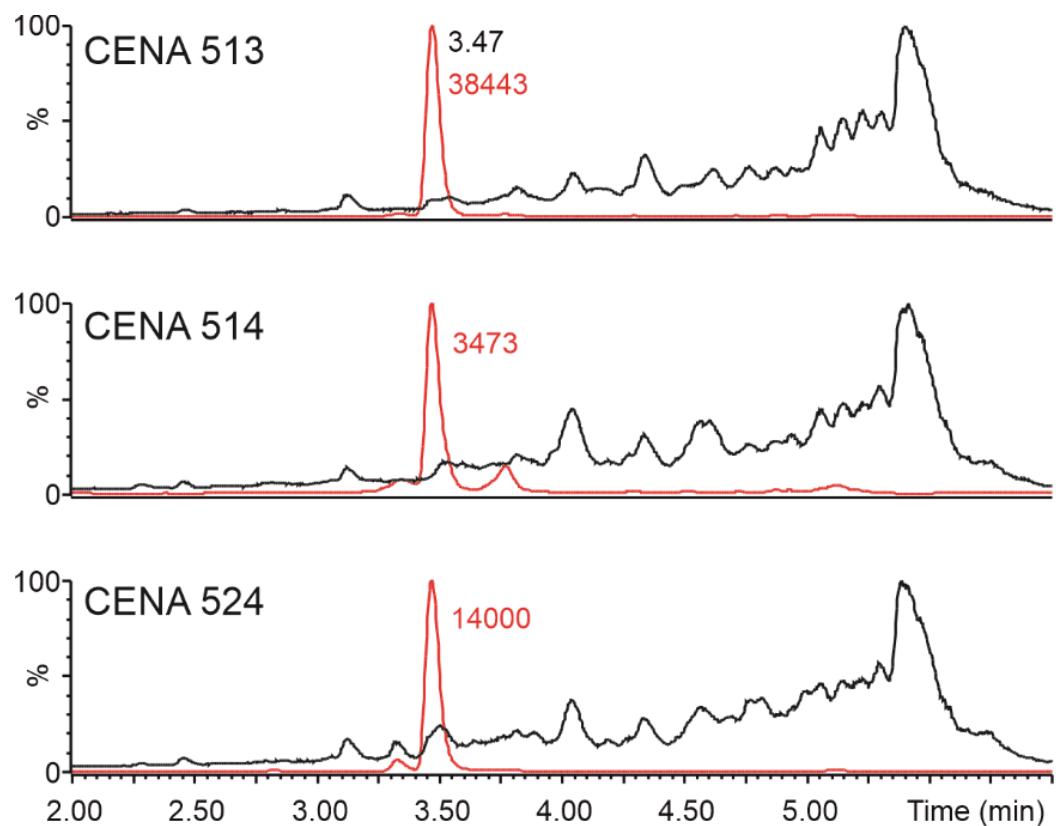


Figure S8. Total ion current (black) and extracted ion (m/z 299.23; red) chromatograms (EIC) of CENA 513^T, 514 and 524 strain crude extracts. Retention time in black font colour and EIC areas in red font colour.

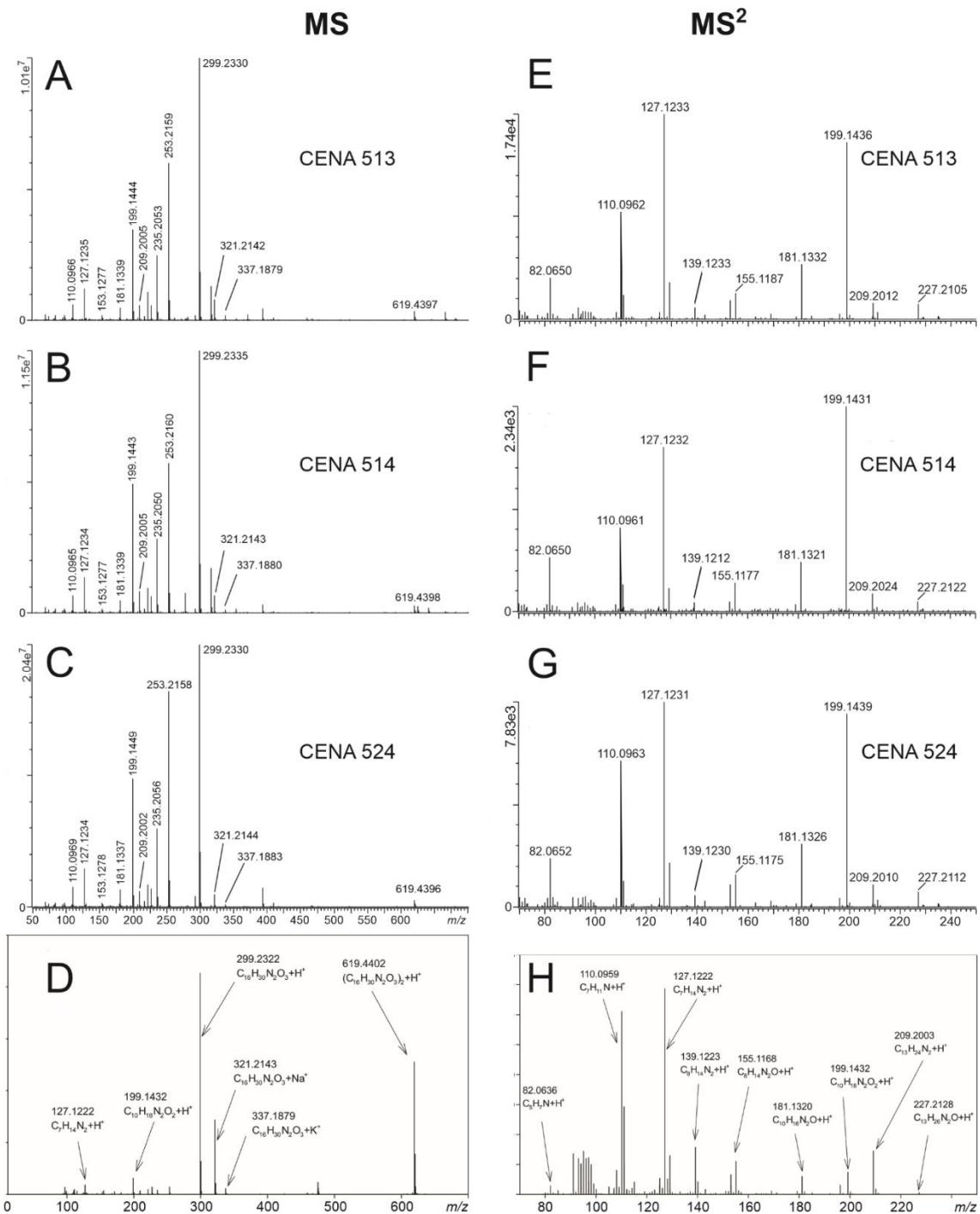


Figure S9. Mass spectra (A-C) of EIC peaks presented in Figure S8 and product ion spectra from m/z 299.23 (E-G) of CENA513^T, 514 and 524 extracts and nocuolin A reference spectra (D and H) by Voráčová *et al.* [60]

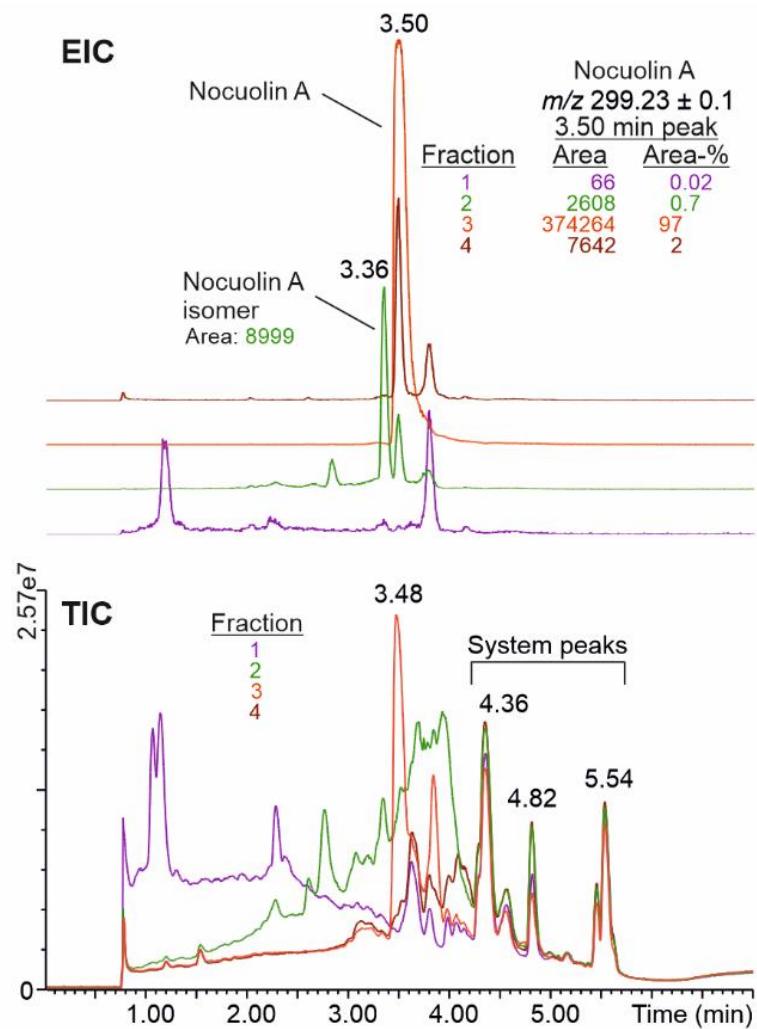


Figure S10. Total ion chromatograms (TIC) and extracted ion m/z 299.23 (protonated nocuolin A) chromatograms from *Aliinostoc alkaliphilum* CENA513^T extract fractionated into 4 fractions by liquid chromatography. Peaks (TIC) eluting after 4.2 min are similarly present in all fractions and hence represent irrelevant compounds causing no bioactivity.

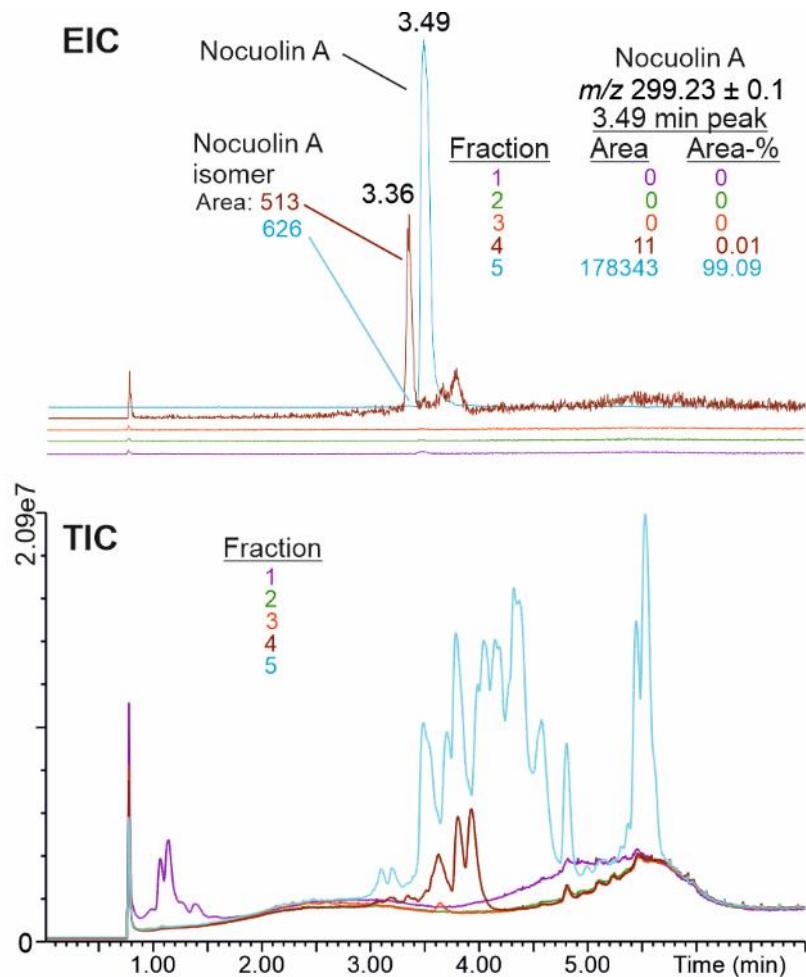


Figure S11. Total ion chromatograms (TIC) and extracted ion m/z 299.23 (protonated nocuolin A) chromatograms from *Aliinostoc alkaliphilum* CENA514 extract fractionated into 5 fractions by liquid chromatography.

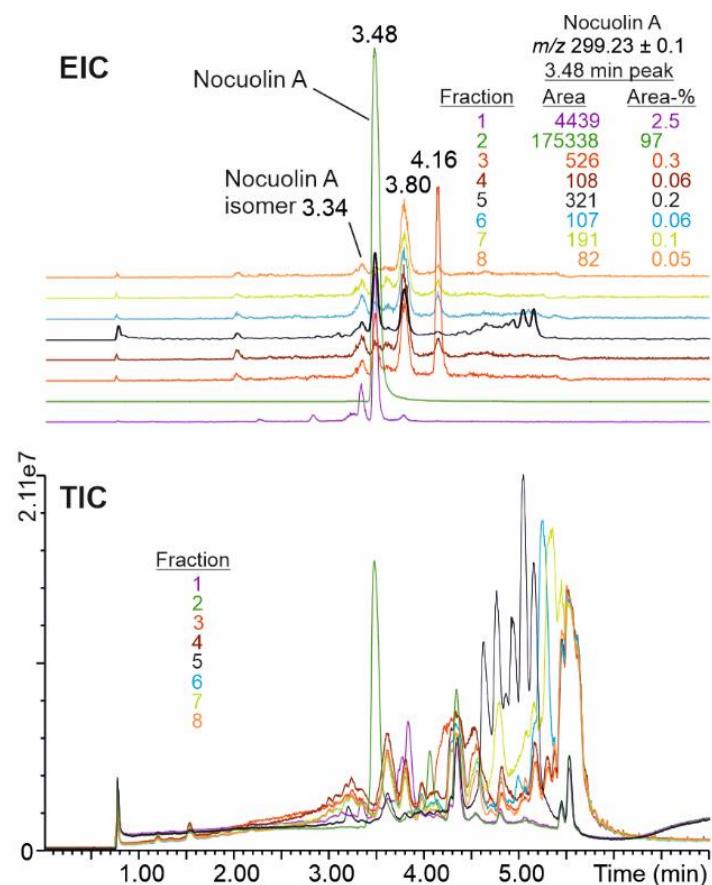


Figure S12. Total ion chromatograms (TIC) and extracted ion m/z 299.23 (protonated nocuolin A) chromatograms from *Aliinostoc alkaliphilum*. CENA524 extract fractionated into 8 fractions by liquid chromatography.

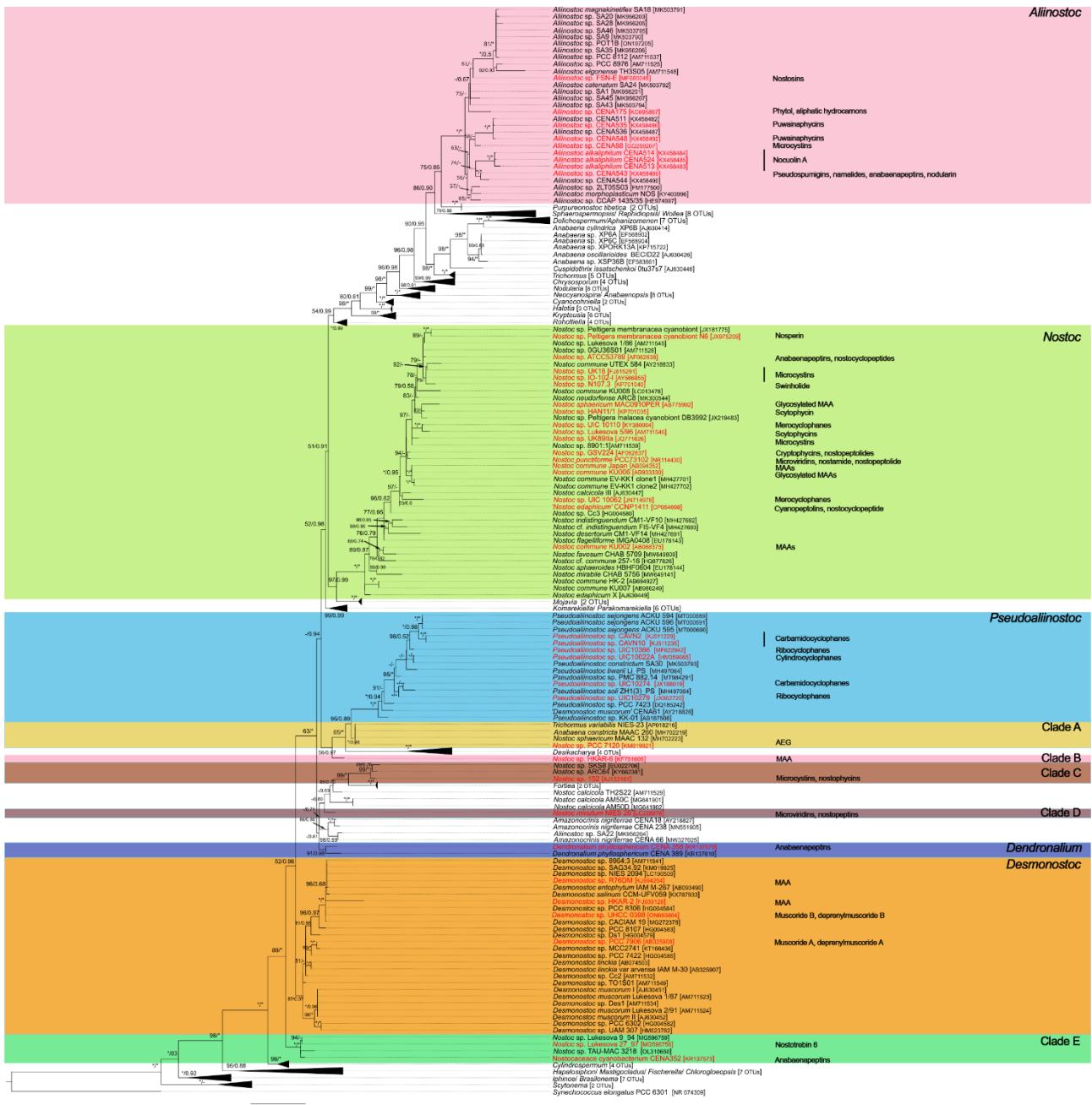


Figure S13. Phylogenetic relationships inferred from maximum likelihood analysis based on 16S rRNA sequences of *Aliinostoc* and related genera of Nostocales sensu Komarek et al. [13]. Clades hosting NP-producing strains (red font color) are shown in different font colors. All bioactive compounds produced by each strain are also shown. Numbers on nodes correspond to bootstrap values ($\geq 50\%$) and posterior probabilities (≥ 0.50) obtained from maximum likelihood and bayesian analyses respectively. Asterisk (*) represents posterior probability of 1.0 for Bayesian analysis and bootstrap values of 100% for Maximum Likelihood analysis. *Synechococcus elongatus* PCC 6301 was the designated outgroup. GenBank accession numbers of sequences are given in brackets. The scale corresponds to substitutions/site.

Table S1. Bacterial and fungal strains used in this study. Growth temperature and agar-solidified growth media used for strain propagation and disk diffusion assays are also presented. MH: Mueller–Hinton, MH-GMB: Mueller-Hinton with 2% glucose and 0.5 µg ml⁻¹ methylene blue, PDA: Potato Dextrose Agar. All bacterial and yeast strains were incubated overnight. Strains of filamentous fungi were incubated for 3 days.

HAMBI accession number	Strain name	Solidified growth media	Growth temperature (°C)
Bacteria			
66	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	MH	37
1821	<i>Enterococcus faecium</i>	MH	37
1881	<i>Bacillus cereus</i>	MH	28
2688	<i>Micrococcus luteus</i>	MH	28
25	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	MH	37
1760	<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i>	MH	28
1898	<i>Enterobacter aerogenes</i>	MH	28
2331	<i>Salmonella enterica</i>	MH	37
Fungi			
484	<i>Candida albicans</i>	MH-GMB	28
486	<i>Candida krusei</i>	MH-GMB	28
487	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	MH-GMB	28
488	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	MH-GMB	28
829	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	PDA	28
831	<i>Mucor</i> sp.	PDA	28

Table S2. Taxa included in the phylogenetic analyses and references for bioactive metabolite-producing strains

Taxon name	GenBank accession number
<i>Aliinostoc morphoplasticum</i> NOS	KY403996
<i>Aliinostoc magnakinetifex</i> SA18	MK503791
<i>Aliinostoc catenatum</i> SA24	MK503792
<i>Aliinostoc alkaliphilum</i> CENA513	KX458483
<i>Aliinostoc alkaliphilum</i> CENA514	KX458484
<i>Aliinostoc alkaliphilum</i> CENA524	KX458485
<i>Aliinostoc elgonense</i> TH3S05	AM711548
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. CENA88	GQ259207
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. CENA175	KC695867
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. CENA511	KX458482
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. CENA535	KX458486
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. CENA536	KX458487
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. CENA543	KX458489
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. CENA544	KX458490
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. CENA548	KX458492
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp.FSN-E	MF680048
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. SA20	MK956203
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. SA28	MK956205
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. SA35	MK956206
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. SA45	MK956207
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. SA9	MK503790
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. SA43	MK503794
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. SA46	MK503795
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. SA1	MK956201
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. POT1B	ON197205
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. CCAP 1453/35	HE974997
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. 2LT05S03	FM177500
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. PCC 8976	AM711525
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. PCC 8112	AM711537
<i>Pseudoaliinostoc sejongens</i> ACKU 594	MT000689
<i>Pseudoaliinostoc sejongens</i> ACKU 595	MT000690
<i>Pseudoaliinostoc sejongens</i> ACKU 596	MT000691
<i>Pseudoaliinostoc tiwarii</i> Li_PS	MH497064
<i>Pseudoaliinostoc soli</i> ZH13_PS	MH497065
<i>Pseudoaliinostoc constrictum</i> SA30	MK503793
<i>Pseudoaliinostoc</i> sp. PMC 882.14	MT984291
<i>Pseudoaliinostoc</i> sp. UIC 10022A	HM359085
<i>Pseudoaliinostoc</i> sp. UIC 10366	MF622942
<i>Pseudoaliinostoc</i> sp. UIC 10279	JX962720
<i>Pseudoaliinostoc</i> sp. UIC 10274	JX188019
<i>Pseudoaliinostoc</i> sp. CAVN2	KJ511229
<i>Pseudoaliinostoc</i> sp. CAVN10	KJ511235
<i>Pseudoaliinostoc</i> sp. KK 01	AB187508
<i>Nostoc muscorum</i> CENA61	AY218828
<i>Pseudoaliinostoc</i> sp. PCC 7423	DQ185242
<i>Nostoc commune</i> EV1-KK1 clone 1	MH427701
<i>Nostoc commune</i> EV1-KK1 clone 2	MH427702
<i>Nostoc commune</i> KU002	AB088375
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. UIC 10110	KY380004

Table S2-cont.

Taxon name	GenBank accession number
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. UIC 10062	JN714978
<i>Nostoc commune</i> Japan Ishikawa Kanazawa Asano River	AB094352
<i>Nostoc sphaericum</i> MAC0910PER	AB775902
<i>Nostoc commune</i> KU006	AB933330
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. GSV224	AF062637
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. ATCC53789	AF062638
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. IO.102.I	AY566855
<i>Nostoc edaphicum</i> CCNP1411	CP054698
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. Lukesova 5/96	AM711546
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. <i>Peltigera membranacea</i> cyanobiont N6	JX975209
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. HAN 11/1	KP701035
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. N107.3	KP701040
<i>Nostoc punctiforme</i> PCC73102	NR_114430
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. UK18	FJ815291
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. UK89IIa	JQ771626
<i>Nostoc commune</i> HK-02	AB694927
<i>Nostoc commune</i> KU007	AB986249
<i>Nostoc calcicola</i> III	AJ630447
<i>Nostoc edaphicum</i> X	AJ630449
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. 0GU36S01	AM711526
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. 8901:1	AM711539
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. Lukesova 1/86	AM711545
<i>Nostoc commune</i> UTEX 584	AY218833
<i>Nostoc flagelliforme</i> IMGA0408	EU178143
<i>Nostoc sphaeroides</i> HBHF0604	EU178144
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. Cc3	HG004580
<i>Nostoc cf. commune</i> 257-16	HQ877826
<i>Nostoc mirabile</i> CHAB 5756	MW649141
<i>Nostoc favosum</i> CHAB 5709	MW649809
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. <i>Peltigera membranacea</i> cyanobiont	JX181775
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. <i>Peltigera malacea</i> DB3992 cyanobiont	JX219483
<i>Nostoc commune</i> KU008	LC013478
<i>Nostoc desertorum</i> CM1-VF14	MH427691
<i>Nostoc indistinguendum</i> CM1-VF10	MH427692
<i>Nostoc indistinguendum</i> FI5-VF4	MH427693
<i>Nostoc neudorfense</i> ARC8	MK300544
<i>Desmonostoc</i> sp. HKAR 2	FJ939126
<i>Desmonostoc linckia</i>	AB074503
<i>Desmonostoc entophytum</i> IAM M-267	AB093490
<i>Desmonostoc muscorum</i> I	AJ630451
<i>Desmonostoc muscorum</i> II	AJ630452
<i>Desmonostoc muscorum</i> Lukesova 1/87	AM711523
<i>Desmonostoc muscorum</i> Lukesova 2/91	AM711524
<i>Desmonostoc</i> sp. Cc2	AM711532
<i>Desmonostoc</i> sp. De1	AM711534
<i>Desmonostoc</i> sp. 8964:3	AM711541
<i>Desmonostoc</i> sp. Ds1	HG004579
<i>Desmonostoc</i> sp. PCC 6302	HG004582
<i>Desmonostoc</i> sp. PCC 8107	HG004583

Table S2-cont.

Taxon name	GenBank accession number
<i>Desmonostoc</i> sp. PCC 8306	HG004584
<i>Desmonostoc</i> sp. PCC 7422	HG004586
<i>Desmonostoc</i> sp. UAM 307	HM623782
<i>Desmonostoc</i> sp. MCC2741	KT166436
<i>Desmonostoc salinum</i> CCM-UFV059	KX787933
<i>Desmonostoc</i> sp. NIES 2094	LC190509
<i>Desmonostoc</i> sp. R76DM	KJ994254
<i>Desmonostoc</i> sp. SAG 34.92	KM019925
<i>Desmonostoc linckia</i> var <i>arvense</i> IAM M-30	AB325907
<i>Desmonostoc</i> sp. TO1S01	AM711549
<i>Desmonostoc</i> sp. PCC 7906	AB325908
<i>Desmonostoc</i> sp. UHCC0398	ON693864
<i>Desmonostoc</i> sp. CACIAM 19	MG272378
<i>Dendronium phyllosphericum</i> CENA358	KR137579
<i>Dendronium phyllosphericum</i> CENA389	KR137610
<i>Amazonocrinus nigriterrae</i> CENA66	MW327025
<i>Amazonocrinus</i> sp. SA22	MK956204
<i>Amazonocrinus nigriterrae</i> CENA18	AY218827
<i>Amazonocrinus nigriterrae</i> CENA238	MN551905
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. Lukesova 9_94	MG596759
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. Lukesova 27/97	MG596756
<i>Nostocaceae cyanobacterium</i> CENA352	KR137573
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. TAU MAC 3218	OL310650
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. PCC 7120	KM019921
<i>Nostoc sphaericum</i> MACC 132	MH702223
<i>Trichormus variabilis</i> NIES 23	AP018216
<i>Anabaena constricta</i> MACC 260	MH702219
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. HKAR 6	KF751605
<i>Nostoc calcicola</i> TH2S22	AM711529
<i>Nostoc calcicola</i> AM50C	MG641901
<i>Nostoc calcicola</i> AM50D	MG641902
<i>Nostoc minutum</i> NIES 26	LC228976
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. SKS8	EU022706
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. ARC 64	KY662381
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. strain 152	AJ133161
<i>Fortiea</i> sp. HA4221-MV2 clone B4 p3C	HQ847569
<i>Fortiea</i> sp. HA4221-MV2 clone B4 p3D	HQ847570
<i>Purpureonostoc tibetica</i> CHAB5880 clone 1	MN381942
<i>Purpureonostoc tibetica</i> CHAB5880 clone 2	MN381943
<i>Cyanocohniella crotaloides</i> PJ-S45	MN243143
<i>Cyanocohniella hyphalmyra</i> TAU-MAC 3117	OL310605
<i>Anabaenopsis</i> sp. CENA549	KX458493
<i>Anabaenopsis elenkinii</i> SAG 25280	KM020015
<i>Neocyanospira rippkae</i> CR86F5	FR774773
<i>Neocyanospira rippkae</i> CR86F7	FR774774
<i>Neocyanospira capsulata</i> 9NAT	FR774776
<i>Neocyanospira capsulata</i> CCAx	FR774777

Table S2-cont.

Taxon name	GenBank accession number
<i>Anabaenopsis</i> sp. PCC 9215	AY038033
<i>Neoyanospira rippkiae</i>	AY038036
<i>Cylindrospermum stagnale</i> PCC 7417	NR_114701
<i>Cylindrospermum stagnale</i>	NR_102462
<i>Cylindrospermum licheniforme</i> UTEX B 2014 strain ATCC 29412	KX014846
<i>Cylindrospermum alatosporum</i> SAG 43.79	GQ287650
<i>Halotia branconii</i> CENA186	KC695877
<i>Halotia branconii</i> CENA390	KJ843310
<i>Halotia branconii</i> CENA392	KJ843312
<i>Kryptousia microlepis</i> CENA329	KY508607
<i>Kryptousia microlepis</i> CENA334	KY508608
<i>Kryptousia macronema</i> CENA336	KY508609
<i>Kryptousia macronema</i> CENA338	KY508610
<i>Kryptousia microlepis</i> CENA343	KY508611
<i>Kryptousia microlepis</i> CENA354	NR_157979
<i>Roholtiella fluviatilis</i> UAM 332	HM751847
<i>Roholtiella fluviatilis</i> UAM 334	HM751849
<i>Roholtiella edaphica</i> AR6 clone 1	MF002050
<i>Roholtiella edaphica</i> AR6 clone 1	MF002051
<i>Nodularia sphaerocarpa</i> Fae19	AJ781144
<i>Nodularia spumigena</i> PCC 73104	NR_115707
<i>Nodularia spumigena</i> PCC73104	NR_114565
<i>Nodularia spumigena</i> strain AV63	AJ781138
<i>Nodularia harveyana</i> Bo53	AJ781143
<i>Nodularia baltica</i> BY1	AJ133177
<i>Nodularia spumigena</i> isolate BCNOD9427	AJ224447
<i>Nodularia harveyana</i> Lukesova 18/94	AM711554
<i>Komarekiella atlantica</i> CCIBT 3307	KX638483
<i>Komarekiella atlantica</i> CCIBT 3483	KX638487
<i>Komarekiella atlantica</i> CCIBT 3487	KX638488
<i>Komarekiella atlantica</i> CCIBT 3486	KX638489
<i>Parakomarekiella sesnandensis</i> COI00088998	MT044191
<i>Parakomarekiella sesnandensis</i> COI00088999	MT044192
<i>Desikacharya nostocoides</i> BHU1-PS	MH036167
<i>Desikacharya soli</i> BHU2-PS	MH036168
<i>Desikacharya constricta</i> SA10	MK354274
<i>Mojavia</i> sp. CMT-3FDIN-NPC3 clone CN6 4	KU161676
<i>Mojavia</i> sp. CMT-3FDIN-NPC3 clone CN6 2	KU161675
<i>Trichormus variabilis</i> PMC 1148.19	MW405041
<i>Trichormus variabilis</i> KCTC AG10180	DQ234832
<i>Trichormus variabilis</i> KCTC AG10269	DQ234833
<i>Trichormus variabilis</i> HINDAK 2001/4	AJ630456
<i>Trichormus variabilis</i> GREIFSWALD	AJ630457
<i>Anabaena cylindrica</i> XP6B	AJ630414
<i>Anabaena oscillarioides</i> BECID22	AJ630426
<i>Anabaena</i> sp. XP6C	EF568904
<i>Anabaena</i> sp. XSP36B	EF583861
<i>Anabaena</i> sp. XP6A	EF568902

Table S2-cont.

Taxon name	GenBank accession number
<i>Anabaena</i> sp. XPORK13A	KP715722
<i>Chrysosporum bergii</i>	AF160256
<i>Chrysosporum ovalisporum</i> 1LT27S04	FM177485
<i>Chrysosporum ovalisporum</i> FAS-AP1	EU076457
<i>Chrysosporum bergii</i> ANA360D	MW219692
<i>Dolichospermum mucosum</i> 1tu35s5	AJ630425
<i>Dolichospermum brachiatum</i> WB20619 B1 clone Z25	MT535756
<i>Dolichospermum brachiatum</i> WB20619 B3 clone Z26	MT535757
<i>Dolichospermum affine</i> NIES-40	AF247591
<i>Aphanizomenon flos-aquae</i> 1tu26s2	AJ630443
<i>Aphanizomenon gracile</i> HEANEY Camb/1986 140/1/1	AJ630444
<i>Aphanizomenon gracile</i> 1tu26s16	AJ630445
<i>Cuspidothrix issatschenkoi</i> 0tu37s7	AJ630446
<i>Sphaerospermopsis aphanizomenoides</i> 04-43	FM161350
<i>Sphaerospermopsis crassa</i> CHAB4404	KT583658
<i>Sphaerospermopsis reniformis</i> 06-01	FM161348
<i>Sphaerospermopsis reniformis</i> 07-01	FM161349
<i>Wollea saccata</i> ACCS 045	GU434226
<i>Raphidiopsis curvata</i> HB1	AY763116
<i>Raphidiopsis mediterranea</i> FSS1-150-1	HQ730899
<i>Raphidiopsis mediterranea</i> HB2	AY763117
<i>Brasilonema bromeliae</i> SPC951	NR_115807
<i>Brasilonema octagenarum</i> UFV-E1	NR_115956
<i>Brasilonema terrestre</i> CENA116	NR_116034
<i>Brasilonema angustatum</i> HA4187-MV1	NR_125582
<i>Brasilonema angustatum</i> HA4187-MV1	NR_125583
<i>Iphinoe spelaeobios</i> LO2-B1	HM748317
<i>Iphinoe spelaeobios</i> strain LO2-B1	NR_117880
<i>Scytonema hofmanni</i> PCC 7110	AM709637
<i>Scytonema</i> sp. CG23	KT222810
<i>Hapalosiphon welwitschii</i> UH IC-52-3	KJ767019
<i>Mastigocladus laminosus</i> Greenland 8	DQ431003
<i>Hapalosiphon hibernicus</i> BZ-3-1	EU151900
<i>Chlorogloeopsis fritschii</i> PCC 6718	AF132777
<i>Hapalosiphon delicatulus</i> IAM M-266	AB093484
<i>Fischerella major</i> NIES 592	AB093487
<i>Hapalosiphon welwitschii</i>	AY034793
<i>Synechococcus elongatus</i> PCC 6301	NR_074309

Table S3. Morphological comparison and habitat preferences of all known *Aliinostoc* species

Strain name	Macroscopic features in natural habitat	Filaments	Sheaths	Vegetative cell color, shape & size (μm)	Heterocysts	Akinetes (μm)	Hormogonia	Habitat	Origin	Reference
<i>Aliinostoc morphoplasticum</i>	Macroscopic mats on benthic rocks	Loosely arranged with variable tendencies for coiling	Thin, colorless	Brownish Barrel-shaped to spherical to oblong L: 2.62–5.20 W: 2.71–3.78	Spherical to elliptical to ovoid to oblong	Oblong L: 5.69–6.11 W: 4.48–4.63	Motile, containing gas vesicles	Eutrophic, polluted pond with slightly alkaline pH	Sihora, Jabalpur, India	Bagchi et al 2017
<i>Aliinostoc catenatum</i>	Thick bluish green mats with significant amount of mucilage around them	Loosely arranged with a slight tendency for coiling	Lightly colored	Bright greenish-blue Cylindrical to barrel shaped L: 3.2–9.5 W: 2.4–4.0	Spherical to cylindrical	Mostly oval L: 3.4–11.3 W: 3.3–6.4	No information provided	Clay-loam soil with slightly alkaline pH	Semeska -nده، Sari, Mazandaran, Iran	Kabirnataj et al 2020
<i>Aliinostoc magnakinetifex</i>	Greenish blue discrete colonies with tough mucilaginous texture	Straight to coiled (old cultures)	Mucilaginous, lightly colored	Greenish Spherical to squarish or even cylindrical L: 1.4–4.3 W: 2.9–4.1	Spherical to cylindrical	Large spherical L: 6.3–10.1 W: 5.2–8.4	No information provided	Clay-loam soil with slightly alkaline pH	Semeska -nده، Sari, Mazandaran, Iran	Kabirnataj et al 2020
<i>Aliinostoc alkaliphilum</i>	Planktic, no colonies are formed in nature	Long, flexuous, with variable tendencies for coiling	Very thin, colorless	Brown cylindrical with rounded ends to oval or barrel-shaped L: (3.3) 3.5–6.6 W: 2.6–3.5	Cylindrical, cylindrical to oval, spherical or oblong	Spherical to oval Up to 12 μm	Motile, containing gas vesicles	Alkaline lake (Salina Verde)	Pantanal wetland, Brazil	This study

Table S5. Detailed description of the ITS secondary structures of *Aliinostoc* species

	Strain name	ITS Secondary structure description
D1-D1' helices	<i>A. morphoplasticum</i> NOS	6-residue basal stem (GACCUA-UAGGUC) + 8-residue asymmetrical internal loop (C-UUUACUC) + 9-residue stem region (CCAAUUCAG-CUGAGAUGG) + 5-residue asymmetrical internal loop (AAA-GA) + 2-residue stem region (UC-GA) + 9-residue asymmetrical internal loop (GAAA-AAAUA) + 2-residue stem region (GC-GC) + 9-residue asymmetrical internal loop (AGAAA-GAAA) + 3-residue stem region (GGC-GCC) + 4-residue symmetrical internal loop (AGAA-AAAA) + 3-residue stem region (GGC-GCC) + 4-residue terminal hairpin (GAAA)
	<i>A. catenatum</i> SA24	6-residue basal stem (GACCUA-UAGGUC) + 8-residue asymmetrical internal loop (C-UCUACUC) + 9-residue stem region (CCAAUUCAG-CUGAGAUGG) + 5-residue asymmetrical internal loop (AAA-GA) + 2-residue stem region (UC-GA) + 9-residue asymmetrical internal loop (GAAA-AAAUA) + 3-residue stem region (GCU-AGC) + 6-residue symmetrical internal loop (CAA-CAA) + 4-residue stem region (AGCU-AGCU) + 9-residue asymmetrical internal loop (AGAAG-AAAAA) + 2-residue stem region (GC-GC) + 4-residue terminal hairpin (GAAA)
	<i>A. magnakinetifex</i> SA18	6-residue basal stem (GACCUA-UAGGUC) + 8-residue asymmetrical internal loop (AU-UCUACUC) + 7-residue stem region (CCACUCA-UGAGAGG) + 2-residue left bulge (GA) + 4-residue stem region (UCUC-GAGA) + 7-residue asymmetrical internal loop (GAA-AAUA) + 2-residue stem region (GC-GC) + 5-residue terminal hairpin (AAACA)
	<i>A. alkaliphilum</i> CENA513	6-residue basal stem (GACCUA-UAGGUC) + 9-residue asymmetrical internal loop (AU-UCUACUC) + 3-residue stem region (CCA-UGG) + 1-residue right bulge (A) + 4-residue stem region (CUCA-UGAG) + 4-residue asymmetrical internal loop (GAA-A) + 4-residue stem region (UCUC-GAGA) + 9-residue asymmetrical internal loop (GAAA-AAAUA) + 2-residue stem region (GC-GC) + 5-residue symmetrical internal loop (GAAAA-GAAA) + 2-residue stem region (GC-GC) + 5-residue symmetrical internal loop (GGAAA-CGGAA) + 2-residue stem region (GU-GC) + 5-residue terminal hairpin (GAAAA)
	<i>A. alkaliphilum</i> CENA514	6-residue basal stem (GACCUA-UAGGUC) + 8-residue asymmetrical internal loop (C-UCUACUC) + 8-residue stem region (CCAAUUCAG-CUGAGAUGG) + 7-residue asymmetrical internal loop (GAAA-GAA) + 2-residue stem region (UC-GA) + 9-residue asymmetrical internal loop (GAAA-AAAUA) + 2-residue stem region (GC-GC) + 5-residue terminal hairpin (GAAAA)
	(both tRNA genes)	
	<i>A. alkaliphilum</i> CENA524	6-residue basal stem (GACCUA-UAGGUC) + 5-residue right bulge (CAUCC) + 3-residue stem region (ACC-GGU) + 1-residue right bulge (A) + 5-residue stem region (CAUUA-UAAUG) + 3-residue asymmetrical internal loop (GA-G) + 3-residue stem region (GAC-GUC) + 11-residue terminal hairpin (UGAAUCUAUU)
	(no tRNA genes)	
	<i>A. morphoplasticum</i> NOS	4-residue basal stem (AGCA-UGCU) + 3-residue asymmetrical internal loop (A-AC) + 5-residue stem region (CUAAC-GUUAG) + 4-residue terminal hairpin (AAUU)
	<i>A. catenatum</i> SA24	5-residue basal stem (AGCAG-CUGCU) + 4-residue asymmetrical internal loop (C-AGA) + 4-residue stem region (GUCA-UGAU) + 4-residue terminal hairpin (CGCU)
Box B helices	<i>A. magnakinetifex</i> SA18	5-residue basal stem (AGCAC-GUGCU) + 4-residue asymmetrical internal loop (U-CAC) + 3-residue stem region (GAU-GUC) + 5-residue asymmetrical internal loop (GA-AAA) + 2-residue stem region (GU-AU) + 4-residue terminal hairpin (CGAG)
	<i>A. alkaliphilum</i> CENA513, 514, 524	4-residue basal stem (AGCA-UGCU) + 3-residue asymmetrical internal loop (A-AC) + 5-residue stem region (CUAGC-GUUAG) + 4-residue terminal hairpin (GAAA)
	(both tRNAs & no tRNAs)	

Table S6. Nocuolin A specific ion *m/z* values and formulas by Voráčová et al. [60] and difference (Δ) compared to calculated (Calc) values from MS spectra of CENA 513, 514 and 524 strains. Mass of ions 14 and 16 were inaccurate but accurate in product ion spectra from *m/z* 299.23.

No	Name	Ion formula	Calc <i>m/z</i>	CENA 513		CENA 514		CENA 524	
				Exp <i>m/z</i>	Δ ppm	Exp <i>m/z</i>	Δ ppm	Exp <i>m/z</i>	Δ ppm
1	Noc A dimer	$[(C_{16}H_{30}N_2O_3)_2+Na]^+$	619.4405	619.4397	-1.4	619.4398	-1.2	619.4396	-1.5
2	Noc A	$[C_{16}H_{30}N_2O_3+K]^+$	337.1888	337.1879	-2.8	337.1880	-2.5	337.1883	-1.6
3	Noc A	$[C_{16}H_{30}N_2O_3+Na]^+$	321.2149	321.2142	-2.2	321.2143	-1.9	321.2144	-1.6
4	Noc A	$[C_{16}H_{30}N_2O_3+H]^+$	299.2329	299.2330	0.1	299.2335	1.8	299.2330	0.1
5	Fragment	$[C_{16}H_{28}O_2+H]^+$	253.2162	253.2159	-1.4	253.2160	-1.0	253.2158	-1.8
6	"	$[C_{16}H_{26}O+H]^+$	235.2056	235.2053	-1.7	235.2050	-2.9	235.2056	-0.4
7	"	$[C_{13}H_{26}N_2O+H]^+$	227.2118	227.2111	-3.3	227.2118	-0.2	227.2115	-1.5
8	"	$[C_{15}H_{26}O+H]^+$	223.2056	223.2051	-2.6	223.2056	-0.4	223.2054	-1.3
9	"	$[C_{13}H_{24}N_2+H]^+$	209.2012	209.2005	-3.7	209.2005	-3.7	209.2002	-5.1
10	"	$[C_{10}H_{15}N_2O_2+H]^+$	199.1441	199.1444	1.3	199.1443	0.8	199.1449	3.8
11	"	$[C_{10}H_{16}N_2O+H]^+$	181.1335	181.1339	1.7	181.1339	1.7	181.1337	0.6
12	"	$[C_{12}H_{18}O+H]^+$	179.1430	179.1432	0.6	179.1435	2.6	179.1429	-1.1
13	"	$[C_{11}H_{16}O+H]^+$	165.1274	165.1274	-0.2	165.1276	1.0	165.1279	2.8
14	"	$[C_8H_{14}N_2O+H]^+$	155.1179	155.1138	-26.7	155.1131	-31.2	155.1122	-37.0
15	"	$[C_{10}H_{16}O+H]^+$	153.1274	153.1277	1.7	153.1277	1.7	153.1278	2.4
16	"	$[C_8H_{14}N_2+H]^+$	139.1230	139.1188	-30.3	139.1183	-33.9	139.1185	-32.5
17	"	$[C_7H_{14}N_2+H]^+$	127.1230	127.1235	3.8	127.1234	3.0	127.1234	3.0
18	"	$[C_7H_{11}N+H]^+$	110.0964	110.0966	1.2	110.0965	0.3	110.0969	3.9
19	"	$[C_3H_4N_2O+H]^+$	85.0396	85.0397	0.1	85.0395	-2.2	85.0396	-1.1
20	"	$[C_5H_7N+H]^+$	82.0651	82.0657	6.5	82.0654	2.8	82.0657	6.5

Table S7. Bioactive metabolite-producing strains and their GenBank accession numbers

Taxon name	Clade	GenBank accession number	Natural products
<i>Aliinostoc alkaliphilum</i> CENA513	<i>Aliinostoc</i>	KX458483	Nocuolin A
<i>Aliinostoc alkaliphilum</i> CENA514	<i>Aliinostoc</i>	KX458484	Nocuolin A
<i>Aliinostoc alkaliphilum</i> CENA524	<i>Aliinostoc</i>	KX458485	Nocuolin A
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. CENA88	<i>Aliinostoc</i>	GQ259207	Microcystin
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. CENA175	<i>Aliinostoc</i>	KC695867	Volatile compounds
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. CENA535	<i>Aliinostoc</i>	KX458486	Puwainaphycins
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. CENA543	<i>Aliinostoc</i>	KX458489	Pseudospumigins, nodularin, nostamides, namalides, anabaenapeptins
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. CENA548	<i>Aliinostoc</i>	KX458492	Puwainaphycins
<i>Aliinostoc</i> sp. FSN-E	<i>Aliinostoc</i>	MF680048	Nostosins
<i>Pseudoaliinostoc</i> sp. UIC 10022A	<i>Pseudoaliinostoc</i>	HM359085	Cylindrocyclophanes
<i>Pseudoaliinostoc</i> sp. UIC 10366	<i>Pseudoaliinostoc</i>	MF622942	Ribocyclophanes
<i>Pseudoaliinostoc</i> sp. UIC 10279	<i>Pseudoaliinostoc</i>	JX962720	Ribocyclophanes
<i>Pseudoaliinostoc</i> sp. UIC 10274	<i>Pseudoaliinostoc</i>	JX188019	Carbamidocyclophanes
<i>Pseudoaliinostoc</i> sp. CAVN2	<i>Pseudoaliinostoc</i>	KJ511229	Carbamidocyclophanes
<i>Pseudoaliinostoc</i> sp. CAVN10	<i>Pseudoaliinostoc</i>	KJ511235	Carbamidocyclophanes
<i>Nostoc commune</i> KU002	<i>Nostoc</i>	AB088375	1050-Da MAA, Pentose-bound shinorine
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. UIC 10110	<i>Nostoc</i>	KY380004	Merocyclophanes
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. UIC 10062	<i>Nostoc</i>	JN714978	Merocyclophanes
<i>Nostoc commune</i> (Japan)	<i>Nostoc</i>	AB094352	Glycosylated Palythine-threonine, hexose-bound palythine-threonine, hexose-bound porphyra-334
<i>Nostoc sphaericum</i> MAC0910PER	<i>Nostoc</i>	AB775902	13-O-(β-galactosyl)-porphyra-334
<i>Nostoc commune</i> KU006	<i>Nostoc</i>	AB933330	478-Da MAA, mycosporine-GABA, nostoc-756
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. GSV224	<i>Nostoc</i>	AF062637	Cryptophycins, nostopeptolides
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. ATCC53789	<i>Nostoc</i>	AF062638	Cryptophycins, nostocyclopeptide, anabaenapeptins
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. IO.102.I	<i>Nostoc</i>	AY566855	Microcystins
<i>Nostoc edaphicum</i> CCNP1411	<i>Nostoc</i>	CP054698	Nostocyclopeptides, cyanopeptolins
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. Lukesova 5/96	<i>Nostoc</i>	AM711546	Scytophytins
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. <i>P. membranacea</i> cyanobiont N6	<i>Nostoc</i>	JX975209	Nosperin
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. HAN 11/1	<i>Nostoc</i>	KP701035	6-OH-7-Ome-15-O-deMe-scytophytin B
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. N107.3	<i>Nostoc</i>	KP701040	Swinholide A
<i>Nostoc punctiforme</i> PCC73102	<i>Nostoc</i>	NR_114430	Microviridins, nostamide A, nostopeptolide 1052
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. UK18	<i>Nostoc</i>	FJ815291	Microcystins
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. UK89IIa	<i>Nostoc</i>	JQ771626	Microcystins
<i>Desmonostoc</i> sp. HKAR 2	<i>Desmonostoc</i>	FJ939126	Porphyra-334
<i>Desmonostoc</i> muscorum IAM M-14 (= <i>Nostoc</i> sp. PCC 7906)	<i>Desmonostoc</i>	AB325908	Muscoride A, deprenylmuscoride A
<i>Desmonostoc</i> sp. UHCC0398	<i>Desmonostoc</i>	ON693864	Muscoride B, deprenylmuscoride B
<i>Desmonostoc</i> sp. R76DM	<i>Desmonostoc</i>	KJ994254	Palythine
<i>Dendronalium phyllosphericum</i> CENA358	<i>Dendronalium</i>	KR137579	Anabaenopeptin 882 and 897
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. PCC 7120	Clade A	KM019921	N-(2-aminoethyl)-glycine
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. HKAR 6	Clade B	KF751605	Porphyra-334
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. strain 152	Clade C	AJ133161	Nostophycins A-C, Microcystins
<i>Nostoc minutum</i> NIES 26	Clade D	LC228976	Microviridins G-H, nostopeptins A-B
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. Lukesova 27/97	Clade E	MG596756	Nostotrebin 6
<i>Nostocaceae cyanobacterium</i> CENA352	Clade E	KR137573	Anabaenopeptin 857 and 871
<i>Nostoc linckia</i> UTEX B1932			Nostocyclophanes A-D
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. XSPORK13A			Nostocyclopeptide M1
<i>Nostoc linckia</i>			Borophycin
<i>Nostoc calcicola</i> CBT158		No 16S rRNA sequencing data available	Anabaenopeptins SA1,7,8
<i>Nostoc commune</i> EAWAG 122b			Noscomin, Comnostins A-E, 4,5-dihydroxy-1-methyl-antraquinone
<i>Nostoc commune</i>			Nostofungicine
<i>Nostoc ellipsosporum</i>			Glucosylsucrose, Glucosylsucrose derivatives 2-4
<i>Nostoc insulare</i> CBT163			Anabaenopeptin SA4-5
<i>Nostoc</i> sp CCAP 1453/38			Nocuolin A

Table S7-cont

Taxon name	Clade	GenBank accession number	Natural products
<i>Nostoc</i> sp TAU IL-220			Nostocyclyne A
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. CBT599			Anabaenopeptin SA6
<i>Nostoc</i> sp TAU IL-235			Banyascyclamide A-C, Nostoginin, Nostopeptin BN920, Banyasides A-B, Banyasin A
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. 31			Nostocyclamides A and M
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. 78-12A			Nostocarboline
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. CCIBt 3329			Mycosporine-ornithine
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. DUN901	No 16S rRNA sequencing data available		Microcystins, Nostocyclin
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. (corallloid roots)			β-N-methylamino-L-alanine
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. LTPNA DBG 94			Palythine-threonine
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. Lukešová 30/93			Aeruginosin 865
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. UK2alml			Nostopeptolide L1-4
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. XPORK5A			Nostoweipeptin W1-7
<i>Nostoc spongiaforme</i> TAU IL-184-6			Tenuecyclamide A-D
<i>Nostoc</i> sp. Peltigera canina symbiot			Nostoclade 1-2
<i>Nostoc</i> sp BEA-0956*		MG543678*	Cybastacine A

*Nucleotide sequence too short to be included in the phylogenetic analyses