

**Supplementary material:** Heavy Metal Tolerance of Microorganisms isolated from Coastal Marine Sediments

and Their Lead Removal Potential

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**Supplementary material Table S1.** Culture media for microbial isolation

Culture media	Components (g·L <sup>-1</sup> )	pH	Processing method
Starch casein agar (SCA)	Soluble starch	10	Direct seeding of no-pre-treatment sediments, phenol pre-treatment and selective pressure method (HgCl <sub>2</sub> )
	Casein	0.3	
	Sodium nitrate	2.0	
	Sodium chloride	2.0	
	Magnesium sulphate	0.05	
	Calcium carbonate	0.02	
	Iron sulphate	0.01	
	Seawater: distilled water	60:40	
Either Boyd and Kohlmeyer (B&K) medium	Agar	18	Direct seeding of no-pre-treatment sediments and selective pressure method (HgCl <sub>2</sub> )
	Yeast extract	1.0	
	Peptone	2.0	
	Glucose	10	
	Seawater: distilled water	1:1	
	Streptomycin antibiotic	0.1	
Malt Extract agar	Agar	18	Direct seeding of no-pre-treatment
	Malt extract	30.0	

Culture media	Components (g.L <sup>-1</sup> )	pH	Processing method
	Peptone	5.0	sediments and selective pressure
	Streptomycin antibiotic	0.1	method (HgCl <sub>2</sub> )
	Agar	15	
International <i>Streptomyces</i> project 2 (ISP2) medium	Yeast extract	4.0	
	Malt extract	10	
	Glucose	4.0	7.2 ± 0.2
	Sodium chloride	10	Direct seeding of no-pre-treatment
	Agar	18	sediments and selective pressure
International <i>Streptomyces</i> project 4 (ISP4) medium	Soluble starch	10	
	Dibasic potassium phosphate	1.0	
	Magnesium sulphate heptahydrate	1.0	
	Sodium chloride	10	
	Ammonium sulphate	2.0	7.2 ± 0.2
	Calcium carbonate	2.0	Phenol pre-treatment and selective
	Iron sulphate heptahydrate	0.001	pressure method (HgCl <sub>2</sub> )
	Manganese (II) chloride tetrahydrate	0.001	
	Zinc sulphate heptahydrate	0.001	
	Agar	18	
International <i>Streptomyces</i> project 3 (ISP3) medium	White Oats	20	
	Iron sulphate heptahydrate	0.001	
	Manganese (II) chloride tetrahydrate	0.001	7.3 ± 0.2
	Zinc sulphate heptahydrate	0.001	Selective pressure method (HgCl <sub>2</sub> )
	Agar	18	
Marine agar Difco™ (MA)	Commercial preparation		Direct seeding of no-pre-treatment sediments, phenol pre-treatment and selective pressure method (HgCl <sub>2</sub> )
Rose Bengal Chloramphenicol agar (RBC) Merck®	Commercial preparation		Direct seeding of no-pre-treatment sediments and selective pressure method (HgCl <sub>2</sub> )
Tryptic soy agar (TSA) Scharlau Scharlab, S.L	Commercial preparation		Direct seeding of no-pre-treatment sediments

Culture media	Components (g.L <sup>-1</sup> )	pH	Processing method
Actinobacteria agar (AA) Merck®	Commercial preparation		Direct seeding of no-pre-treatment sediments

**Supplementary material Table S2.** Cadmium ( $Cd^{2+}$ ), Lead ( $Pb^{2+}$ ), and Zinc ( $Zn^{2+}$ ) tolerance screening of 276 microorganisms. A microorganism was catalogued as tolerant (+) if growth was observed after 24–48 h of culture; not tolerant (-) if growth was inhibited entirely around wells, or sensitive ( $\pm$ ) if some colonies were formed (36). Sampling sites: Atrato river mouth (MPAR, MARM, MRAR), Baudó river mouth (OBR, MVUBR), and San Juan river mouth (MCHSJ2, BSJM2, MSJ2).













Sampling site	Consecutive number MHNMC	Type of microorganisms	Tolerance screening on Luria Bertani agar (LB)											
			Cadmium (Cd) mg.L <sup>-1</sup>				Lead (Pb) mg.L <sup>-1</sup>				Zinc (Zn) mg.L <sup>-1</sup>			
			50	150	250	350	50	150	250	350	50	150	250	350
OBR	77077	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
OBR	77078	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
OBR	77079	Bacteria	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MCHSJ2	77080	Bacteria	±	±	±	±	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MCHSJ2	77081	Bacteria	±	±	±	±	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MCHSJ2	77082	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MRAR	77083	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MARM	77084	Bacteria	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MARM	77085	Bacteria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MARM	77086	Bacteria	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-
MVUBR	77087	Bacteria	±	±	±	±	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MVUBR	77088	Bacteria	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MARM	77089	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MARM	77090	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MARM	77091	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MARM	77092	Bacteria	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MARM	77093	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+
BSJM2	77094	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MVUBR	77096	Bacteria	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MVUBR	77097	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MVUBR	77098	Bacteria	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MCHSJ2	77099	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MCHSJ2	77100	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MCHSJ2	77101	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
BSJM2	77103	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
BSJM2	77104	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MPAR	77105	Bacteria	±	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MPAR	77106	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MPAR	77107	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+

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**Supplementary material Table S3.** Cadmium ( $Cd^{2+}$ ), Lead ( $Pb^{2+}$ ), and Zinc ( $Zn^{2+}$ ) tolerance screening trials at increased concentrations of  $Pb^{2+}$ ,  $Cd^{2+}$  and  $Zn^{2+}$  ions of eleven microorganisms. A microorganism was catalogued as tolerant (+) if growth was observed after 24–48 h of culture; not tolerant (-) if growth was inhibited entirely around wells, or sensitive (±) if some colonies were formed (36).

Sampling site	Consecutive numbers MHNMC	Type of microorganisms	Tolerance screening on Luria Bertani agar (LB)									
			Cadmium (Cd) mg.L <sup>-1</sup>		Lead (Pb) mg.L <sup>-1</sup>			Zinc (Zn) mg.L <sup>-1</sup>				
			550	750	450	550	650	750	450	550	650	750
Atrato river mouth	76869	Bacteria	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
	77030	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
	INV PRT213*	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
	76956	Bacteria	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	-
San Juan river mouth	77001	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
	77050	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
	INV PRT215*	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
	77103	Bacteria	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Baudó river mouth	76952	Bacteria	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	-
	INV PRT216*	Bacteria	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
	77058	Bacteria	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+

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**Supplementary material Table S4.** Results obtained by comparing the 16S rRNA sequences to those in the Reference RNA Sequences database of the NCBI.

Catalog number MMNHC*	Description Genera	Accession number GenBank	Query cover	Ident	E-value
	<i>Stenotrophomonas panacihumi</i>	NR_117406.1	99%	97.88%	0.0
	<i>Xanthomonas hortensis</i>	NR_181958.1	99%	97.53%	0.0
INV PRT211	<i>Xanthomonas campestris</i>	NR_074936.1	99%	97.53%	0.0
	<i>Xanthomonas arboricola</i> pv. <i>juglandis</i>	NR_113167.1	99%	97.53%	0.0

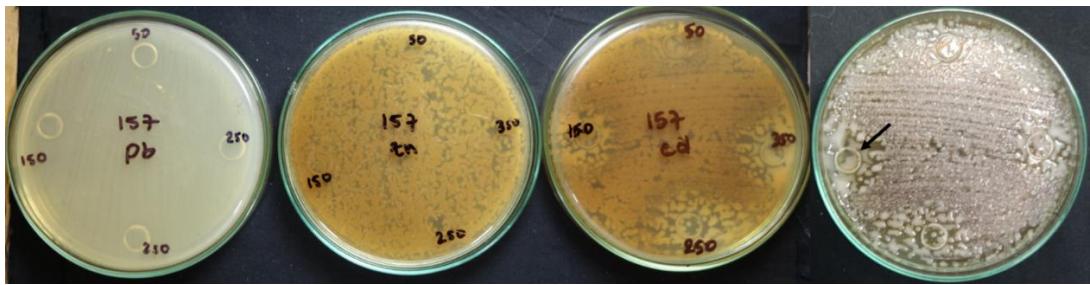
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	<i>Xanthomonas</i> <i>hortorum</i> pv. <i>gardneri</i>	NR_104793.1	99%	97.53%	0,0
	<i>Enterobacter</i> <i>sichuanensis</i>	NR_179946.1	100%	99.68%	0,0
	<i>Enterobacter</i> <i>chengduensis</i>	NR_179167.1	100%	99.68%	0,0
INV PRT212	<i>Enterobacter</i> <i>quasiroggenkampii</i>	NR_179166.1	100%	99.68%	0,0
	<i>Enterobacter</i> <i>bugandensis</i>	NR_148649.1	100%	99.68%	0,0
	<i>Enterobacter</i> <i>mori</i>	NR_146667.2	100%	99.68%	0,0
	<i>Enterobacter</i> <i>soli</i>	NR_117547.1	100%	99.15%	0,0
	<i>Huaxiibacter</i> <i>chinensis</i>	NR_184601.1	100%	98.58%	0,0
INV PRT213	<i>Enterobacter</i> <i>asburiae</i>	NR_024640.1	99%	98.28%	0,0
	<i>Klebsiella</i> <i>aerogenes</i>	NR_113614.1	100%	98.15%	0,0
	<i>Klebsiella</i> <i>aerogenes</i>	NR_102493.2	100%	98.15%	0,0
	<i>Pseudomonas</i> <i>protegens</i>	NR_114749.1	100%	99.56%	0,0
	<i>Pseudomonas</i> <i>sesami</i>	NR_149822.1	100%	99.34%	0,0
INV PRT215	<i>Pseudomonas</i> <i>saponiphila</i>	NR_116905.1	99%	98.75%	0,0
	<i>Pseudomonas</i> <i>meliae</i>	NR_178423.1	100%	98.67%	0,0

Catalog number MMNHC*	Description Genera	Accession number GenBank	Query cover	Ident	E-value
	<i>Pseudomonas tremae</i>	NR_025549.1	100%	98.67%	0.0
	<i>Stenotrophomonas maltophilia</i>	NR_041577.1	100%	99.43%	0.0
	<i>Stenotrophomonas maltophilia</i>	NR_113648.1	100%	99.36%	0.0
INV PRT216	<i>Stenotrophomonas maltophilia</i>	NR_119220.1	100%	99.36%	0.0
	<i>Stenotrophomonas maltophilia</i>	NR_112030.1	100%	99.36%	0.0
	<i>Stenotrophomonas pavanii</i>	NR_116793.1	100%	99.14%	0.0

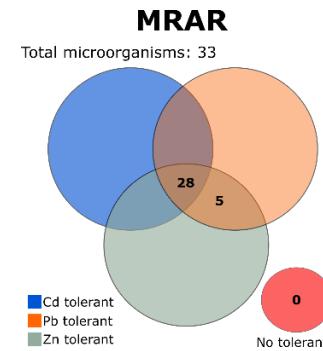
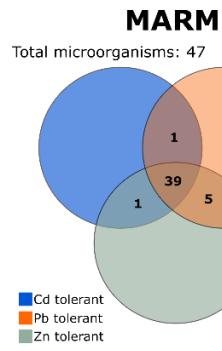
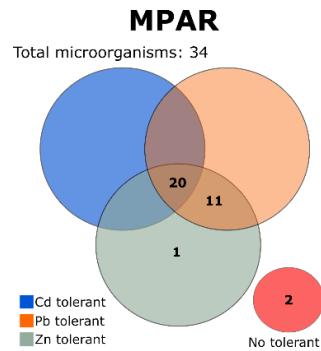
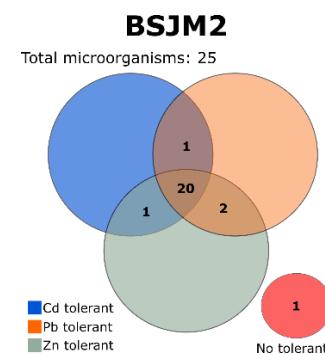
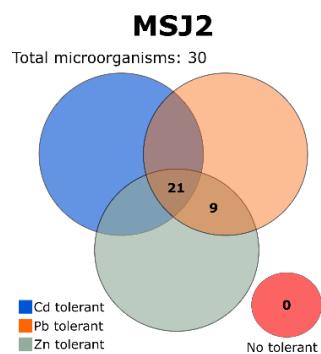
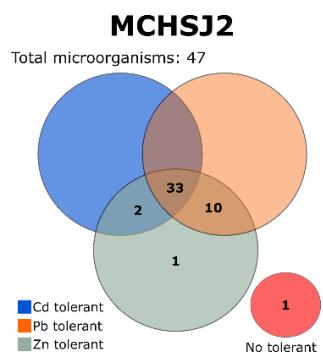
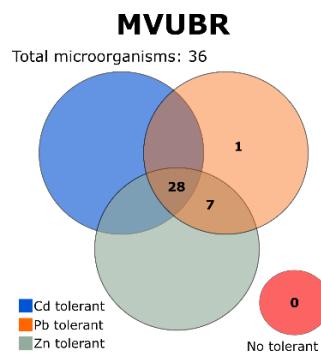
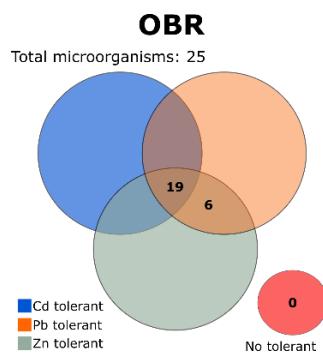
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**Supplementary material Figure S1.** Phenotypic characteristics of some isolated colonies.



**Supplementary material Figure S2.** Photographic record of pigments and substances excreted by bacterium 76955 under Cd<sup>2+</sup> and Zn<sup>2+</sup> stress conditions.

**Atrato****San Juan****Baudó**

**Supplementary material Figure S3.** Number of strains tolerant to Cd<sup>2+</sup>, Pb<sup>2+</sup>, and Zn<sup>2+</sup> ions by sampling site. Sampling sites: Atrato river mouth (MPAR, MARM, MRAR), Baudó river mouth (OBR, MVUBR), and San Juan river mouth (MCHSJ2, MSJ2, BSJM2)