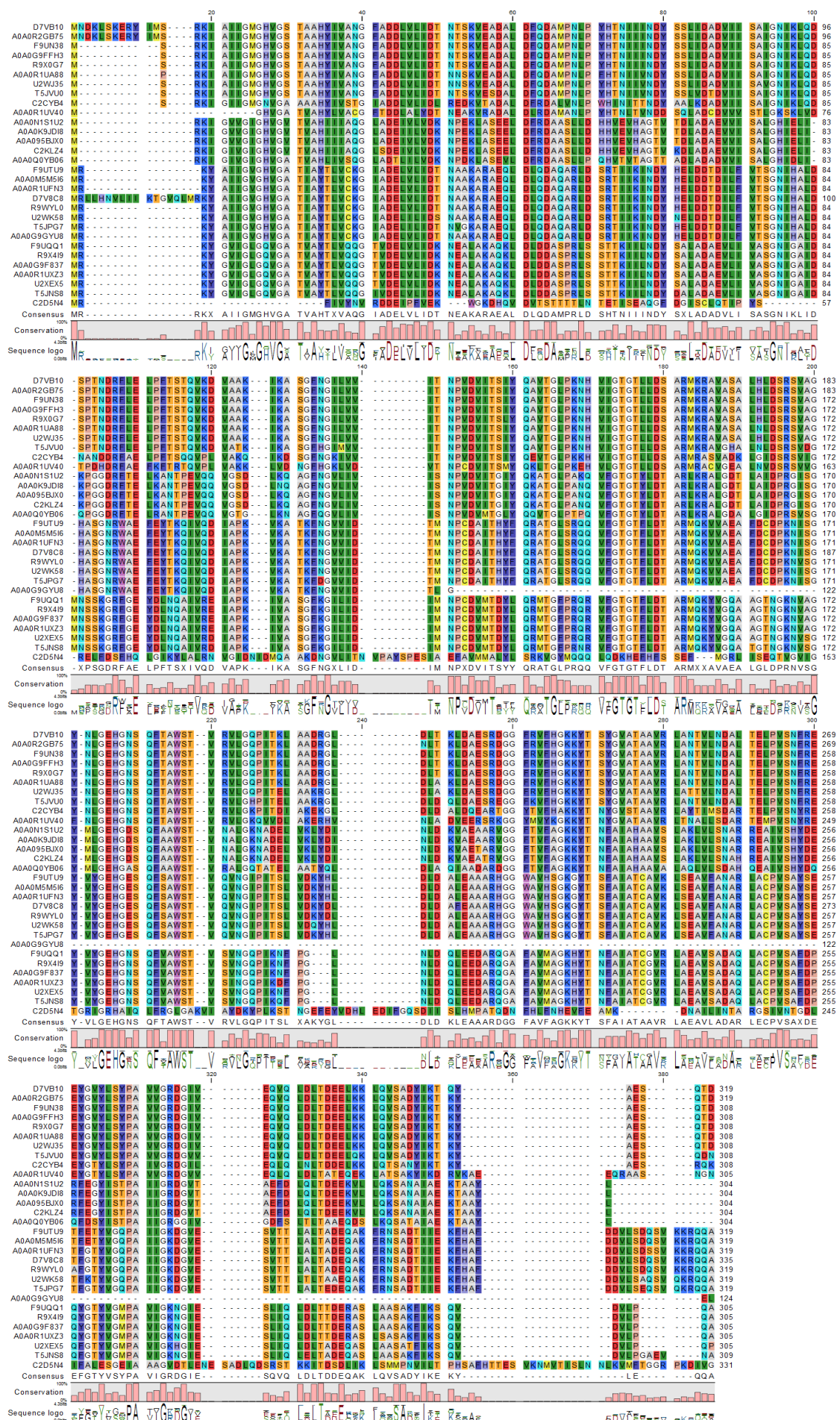


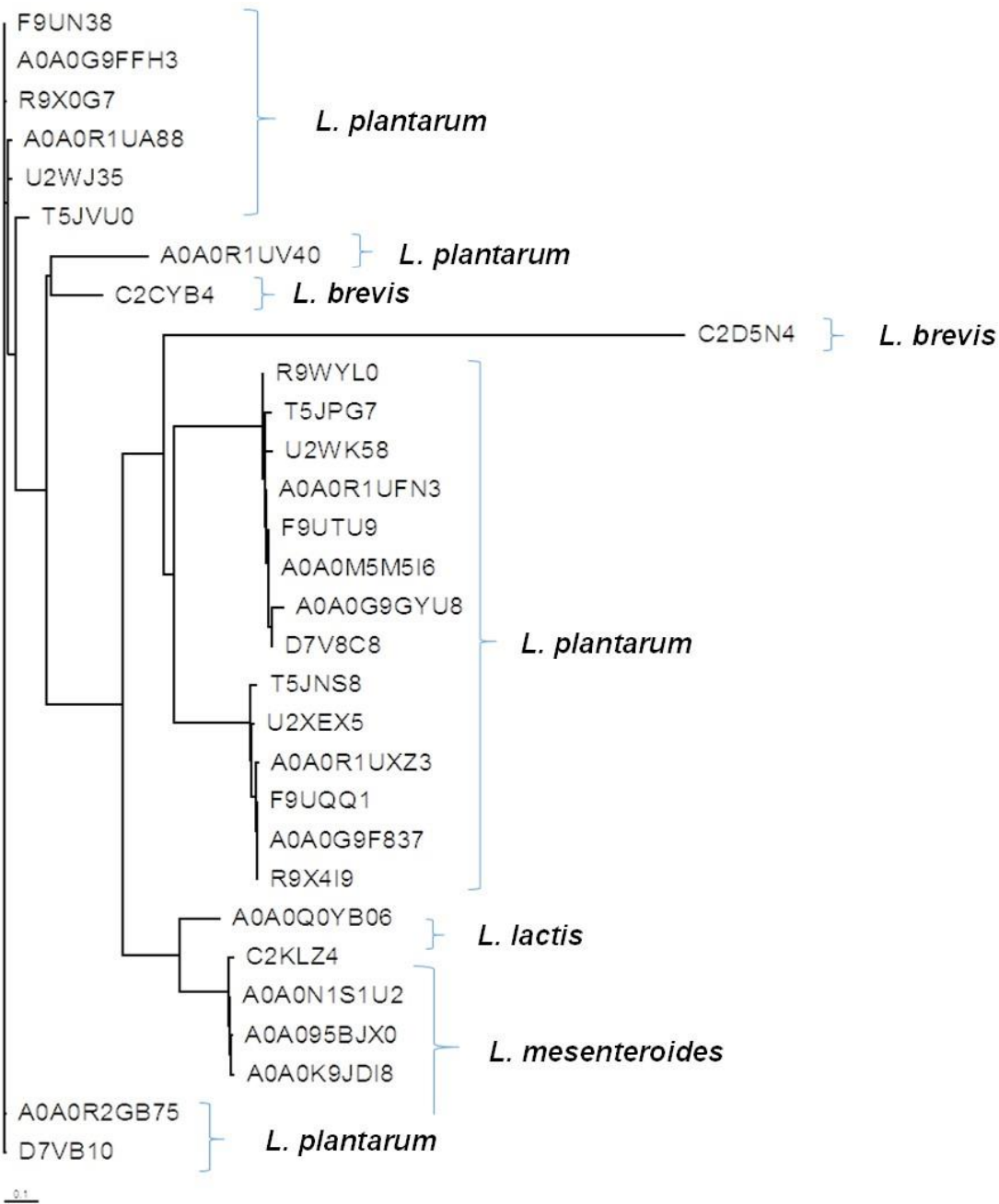
**Supplementary information**

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and evaluation of microbial dynamics during kimchi ripening**

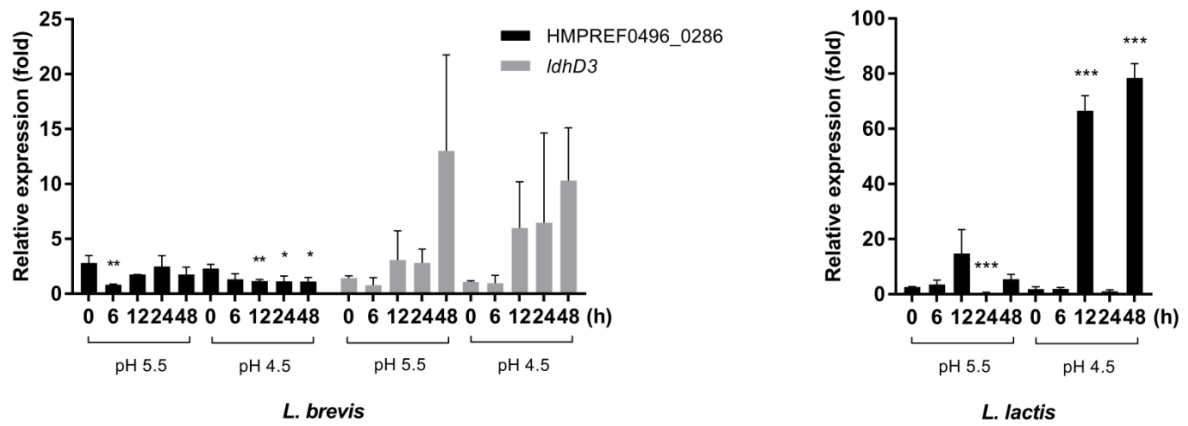
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Supplementary figure S1. The multiple sequence alignment of 2-hydroxyisocaproate dehydrogenase of lactic acid bacteria using the ClustalW multi-alignment program



**Supplementary figure S2.** The phylogenetic trees constructed from 2-hydroxyisocaproate dehydrogenase amino acid sequence obtained Uniprot ([www.uniprot.org/](http://www.uniprot.org/)). The bar indicates 10% sequence divergence.



Supplementary figure S3. The transcription levels of the 2-hydroxyisocaproate dehydrogenase genes in *L. brevis* and *L. lactis* in MRS of pH 5.5 and 4.5 condition were determined via qRT-PCR. The mRNA expression values were normalized by the transcription levels by the bacteria cultivated in MRS (pH 6.2). Asterisks indicate significant differences (\*\* $P < 0.01$ ; \*\*\* $P < 0.001$ ; \* $P < 0.05$ ).

**Supplementary table S1. Conserved domain structure of HicD identified in NCBI search**Amino acid sequence of HicD of *Leuconostoc lactis* was compared BLASTP database

Name	Accession	Description	Interval	E-value
HicDH_like	cd05291	L-2-hydroxyisocaproate dehydrogenases and some bacterial L-lactate dehydrogenases	3-304	6.39 E-149
Ldh_1_N	pfam00056	lactate/malate dehydrogenase, NAD binding domain	4-145	4.04 E-30
L-LDH-NAD	TIGR01771	L-lactate dehydrogenase	7-299	5.50 E-96
Mdh	COG0039	Malate/lactate dehydrogenase	3-299	1.32 E-85
ldh	PRK00066	L-lactate dehydrogenase	1-300	3.45 E-73

**Supplementary Table S2. The primers for the real-time RT-PCR**

Species	Primers	Sequence	Reference
<i>Lactobacillus plantarum</i>	LPWCFS_hicD1	5'-ATTACACGCGTTAGACCATGC-3'	In this study
		5'-CTGTTGGCGTGATAATCCCG-3'	
	LPWCFS_hicD2	5'-GCGACGTCTTTGACTTGTGT-3'	
		5'-CTTGCCGATGACCTTGTC-3'	
	LPWCFS_hicD3	5'-ATCGGACACCACAAGTAGCA-3'	
		5'-GTATGTCGGACAAGCAGCTG-3'	
<i>Lactobacillus brevis</i>	HMPREF0496_0286	5'-GATTGGACTTGGATGCGCTT-3'	In this study
		5'-TGCTCTAAAATGCCGTCACG-3'	
	Brevis ldhD3	5'-TTGGCGTTGAGAAATGTCGG-3'	
		5'-TTCCTGATTAGACGCCCA-3'	
<i>Leuconostoc lactis</i>	Lactis_AN225_00170	5'-AAGACACCTTGAAAACCCGC-3'	In this study
		5'-TTGATTTTCGTGATGCCGCT-3'	
<i>Leuconostoc mesenteroides</i>	LM_LH61_00190	5'-GCGTGACTTCGACATGATG-3'	In this study
		5'-TTGTTGGCATTGGACATGTTG-3'	
<i>Lactobacillus plantarum</i> <i>Lactobacillus brevis</i> <i>Leuconostoc lactis</i>	16S rRNA	5'-AGCAGTAGGGAATCTTCCA-3' 5'-CAC CGC TAC ACA TGG AG-3'	Walter <i>et al.</i> (2001) Heilig <i>et al.</i> (2002)
<i>Leuconostoc mesenteroides</i>	16S rRNA	5'-AGC GTT ATC CGG ATT TAT TG-3' 5'-CTA CGC ATT CCA CCG CTA CA-3'	Minghui Yan <i>et al.</i> (2016)