Supplementary information: Antimicrobial potential of known and novel probiotics on in vitro periodontitis biofilms



No Inhibition

Strong inhibition

Supplementary figure 1: Agar inhibition assay. 7 µL 10<sup>8</sup> cells/mL of probiotics are spotted on the BHI-2-gluc agar and after 24 hours of growth (anaerobic, 37°C), 7 µL 108 cells/mL of pathobiont is spotted adjacent to the probiotic with a slight overlap of spots. After growth of the control spot was visible (24-48 hours) a calibrated photo was taken and the inhibition ratio was calculated in ImageJ by dividing the distance between the probiotic spot and growth of the pathobiont (Y) divided by the diameter of the control spot (X).

**Supplementary table 1**: Primers & qPCR conditions for v-qPCR. qPCR was performed according to Van Holm et al. (2021) with a CFX96 real-time system (Bio-Rad,Hercules, CA, USA) with reactions consisting of 12.5 mL of Takyon Rox probe master mix dTTP blue (Eurogentec, Seraing, Belgium), 1 mL of each primer (IDT, Haasrode, Belgium) and probe (all DD probes, 5'-FAM [6-carboxyfluorescein] and 3'-TAMRA [6-carboxytetramethylrhodamine]; Eurogentec, Seraing, Belgium) and 4.5 mL of Milli-Q water. Cycle conditions were: an initial step at 50°C for 2 min and 95°C for 10 min, followed by 45 cycles of 95°C for 15 s and 60°C for 1 min.

Species		Primers & Probe (Final concentrations)	Amplicon length (bp)	Target
	Forward	CGG TGT CGA TTT GGG GAT TGG (300 nM)		
Aggregatibacter actinomycetemcomitans	Reverse	TGC AGC ACC TGT CTC AAA GC (300 nM)	237	16S rRNA gene
	Probe	AGA ACT CAG AGA TGG GTT TGT GCC TTA GGG (100 nM)		
	Forward	TGT GCC CYT TTG CAT TTA CCC TTC (300 nM)		
Prevotella intermedia	Reverse	CAC CAT GAA TTC CGC ATA CG (900 nM)	216	16S rRNA gene
	Probe	TGG CGG ACT TGA GTG CAC GC (200 nM)		
Porphyromonas qinqivalis	Forward	CCG TAA GAA TAA GCA TCG GCT AAC TC(300 nM)		
	Reverse	CAC GAA TTC CGC CTG C (300 nM)	195	16S rRNA gene
	Probe	CAC TGA ACT CAA GCC CGG CAG TTT CAA (100 nM)		
Fusobacterium	Forward	GGA TTT ATT GGG CGT AAA GC (300 nM)		
nucleatum	Reverse	ATC TGT CCA GTA AGC TGG CTT CC (300 nM)	191	16S rRNA gene
	Probe	CTC TAC ACT TGT AGT TCC G (300 nM)		
	Forward	GCC TAC AGC TCA GAG ATG CTA TTC T (900 nM)		
Streptococcus mutans	Reverse	GCC ATA CAC CAC TCA TGA ATT GA (900 nM)	114	gtfB gene
	Probe	TGG AAA TGA CGG TCG CCG TTA TGA A (100 nM)		
	Forward	AAA TAC GGC CAG TGC CAA AG (200 nM)		
Streptococcus sobrinus	Reverse	CCA GCC TGA GAT TCA GCT TGT (200 nM)	165	gtfT gene
	Probe	CCT GCT CCA GCG ACA AAG GCA GC (250 nM)		
Actinomyces naeslundii	Forward	TCG AAA CTC AGC AAG TAG CCG (200 nM)		aene encodina
	Reverse	AGA GGA GGG CCA CAA AAG AAA (200 nM)	96	unknown
	Probe	GGG TAC TCT AGT CCA AAC TGG CGG ATA GCG (100 nM)		protein
	Forward	GTG AAG GAG CCA GCT TGC TGG TTC TG (200 nM)		
Actinomyces viscosus	Reverse	CGG AAC AAA CCT TTC CCA GGC (200 nM)	155	16S rRNA gene
	Probe	ATG AGT GGC GAA CGG GTG AGT AAC (125 nM)		
	Forward	GAC GAA AGT CTG ACG GAG CA (200 nM)		
Veillonella parvula	Reverse	TGC CAC CTA CGT ATT ACC GC (200 nM)	171	16S rRNA gene
	Probe	AGC TCT GTT AAT CGG GAC GAA AGG C (125 nM)		
	Forward	ACC AGC AGA TAC GAA AGA AGC AT (400 nM)		
Streptococcus oralis	Reverse	AGG TTC GGG CAA GCG ATC TTT CT (400 nM)	229	gtfR gene
	Probe	AAG GCT GCT GTT GCT GAA GAA GT (100 nM)		
Streptococcus sanguinis	Forward	CAA AAT TGT TGC AAA TCC AAA GG (600 nM)		
	Reverse	GCT ATC GCT CCC TGT CTT TGA (600 nM)	75	gtfP gene
	Probe	AAA GAA AGA TCG CTT GCC AGA ACC GG (100 nM)		
Streptococcus gordonii	Forward	GAA GAA CTG GGT AGC GAT TGC T (400 nM)		
	Reverse	GTT AGC TGT TGG ATT GGT TGC C (400 nM)	262	<i>gtfG</i> gene
	Probe	AGA ACA GTC CGC TGT TCA GAG CAA (100 nM)		
Streptococcus mitis	Forward	GGC TCG TAG TCT GGA GAT GG (600 nM)		
	Reverse	TAG GTC GTC GTC CCA AGG AA (600 nM)	133 16S rRNA gen	
	Probe	CGA AGA GCA CCA ATA GCA CCT CCC (140 nM)		
Streptococcus	Forward	GAC GAT GAC TGT CAA CTT GAC AC (400 nM)		Dextranase
salivarius	Reverse	ACC GTA ACG TGG GAA AAC TG (400 nM)	247	gene
	Probe	GTA GCG TCA GAG TGG TTG AC (100 nM)		U U

**Supplementary table 2**: Statistically significant differences from **Figure 2A** between probiotic prevalence in biofilms (Kruskal-Wallis with Dunn's test; n=9).

	LGG	KCA1	WCFS1	V038	V001	F471	R074	R075	R024
KCA1	0.4964	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/
WCFS1	0.0047	0.0046	/	/	/	/	/	/	/
V038	0.0145	0.0142	0.3391	/	/	/	/	/	/
V001	0.0637	0.0625	0.1415	0.2551	/	/	/	/	/
F471	0.0541	0.0551	0.0000	0.0001	0.0009	/	/	/	/
R074	0.1811	0.1835	0.0002	0.0010	0.0074	0.2436	/	/	/
R075	0.3625	0.3659	0.0016	0.0056	0.0303	0.1049	0.2880	/	/
R024	0.4143	0.4178	0.0024	0.0082	0.0408	0.0824	0.2436	0.4462	/
R158	0.0010	0.0011	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0707	0.0152	0.0032	0.0021



**Supplementary figure 2**: Flow cytometric characterization of periodontal pathobionts' morphology and permeability to propidium iodine as proxy for viability. Log scale: FSC-A: forward scatter & SSC-A: side scatter. Biexponential scale: FITC-A: green fluorescence (SYBR Green<sup>™</sup>) and PerCP-Cy5.5-A: red fluorescence (Propidium iodine).



**Supplementary figure 3**: Gate design for classification of probiotic candidates' CFS. The gate of live cells was characterized according to supplementary figure 2. Damaged cells were classified with a completely permeable gate (designed summarizing heat-, peroxide- and antiseptic killed) and an intermediate gate (combination of gate 1 and 2) where PI uptake starts to increase due to increasing permeability (increasing red fluorescence). Events within gates are quantified in bar charts with the respective colours of the classes.