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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

$\alpha$	alpha
$\beta$	beta
$\gamma$	gamma
L	liter
g	gram
ml	milliliter
mg	milligram
rpm	rote per minutes
EPS	exopolysaccharides
NaCl	sodium chloride
HCL	hydrochloride acid
TFA	trifluoroacetic acid
Glc	glucose

## ABSTRACT

*Acinetobacter calcoaceticus* was the marine bacterium associated with marine sponge, *Aaptos* sp. which was identified by using RapID™ ONE Plus System identification kit in combination with their morphology and basic biochemical test. This bacterium was gram negative staphylococcus, 0.9-1.6 x 1.5-2.5 microns in size. *A.calcoaceticus* were produced an average 384.7 mg/L of crude polysaccharides with light cream in color and 465.6 mg/L of acidic polysaccharides with light pink in color. Paper chromatography (PC) and high-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) were used to identify the sugar component of the polysaccharides. The purified polysaccharide consist raffinose, D-glucosamine, glucose and mannose with  $G_{glc}$  value 0.352, 0.730 and 1.190, respectively. HPLC was performed to reconfirm the results of PC. Raffinose, glucose and mannose are the neutral sugars in polysaccharides that were detected using HPLC and amino sugars like D-glucosamine can only be detected if HPLC is using amino acid analysis. The studies could generate more studies in this area to gain more participants to explore their novel compound.

# KAJIAN KE ATAS BAKTERIA PENGHASIL POLISAKARIDA DARIPADA

## SPAN MARIN, *Aptos* sp.

### ABSTRAK

*Acinetobacter calcoaceticus* adalah bakteria marin yang hidup bersama span marin, *Aptos* sp. yang telah dikenalpasti dengan menggunakan "RapID™ ONE Plus System identification kit" berserta dengan morfologi dan ujian biokimia asas. Bakteria ini merupakan gram negatif staphylococcus, bersaiz 0.9-1.6 x 1.5-2.5 microns. *A. calcoaceticus* telah menghasilkan purata 384.7 mg/L polisakarida mentah yang berwarna krim cerah dan 465.6 mg/L asidik polisakarida yang memberikan warna merah jambu. Kertas kromatografi (PC) dan high-performance liquid kromatografi (HPLC) telah digunakan untuk mengenalpasti komponen gula yang terdapat pada polisakarida. Komponen gula yang didapati ialah raffinosa, D-glukosamin, glukosa dan mannosa dengan nilai  $R_{f}$  masing-masing 0.352, 0.730 dan 1.190. Kaedah HPLC digunakan adalah untuk memastikan semula keputusan yang diperolehi daripada PC. Raffinosa, glukosa dan mannosa merupakan gula-gula yang neutral yang terdapat di dalam polisakarida. Walau bagaimanapun, D-glukosamin merupakan gula amino dan ia hanya boleh dikesan oleh HPLC sekiranya HPLC menggunakan colum analisis amino asid. Dengan adanya kajian ini diharapkan akan dapat meningkatkan lagi minat banyak pihak untuk lebih meneroka komponen-komponen yang terdapat pada span marin.