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## Lactobacillus thermotolerans a potential probiotic bacteria from chicken intestine?

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We investigated some of the probiotic properties of *Lactobacillus thermotolerans* in chicken intestine. The result indicates that *L. thermotolerans* is a moderate acid tolerable strain which can grow at low pH up to 2 h incubation without losing its viability. *L. thermotolerans* also seems to slow growth at the present of 0.3% and 0.6% bile salts up to 6 h, indicating that *L. thermotolerans* is a moderately tolerant to bile salts. The bacterium is able to adhere to the crop cells and showed a strong adhesion to the cecum epithelium compared to ileal epithelium.

The preliminary study of *L. thermotolerans* indicates that it can easily adhere with crop and cecal/ileal epithelium, tolerate low pH and bile acid and can survive in cecal contents which are the important criteria for the selection of potential probiotics. In this circumstances *L. thermotolerans* might be a potential probiotic for chicken.

### Biography

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