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## Isolation and characterization of bacteriocin producing *Lactobacillus plantarum* from shidal- A traditional fermented fish product of Assam

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**ABSTRACT.....** Presence of *Lactobacillus* group of bacteria has long being explored and documented for their presence in different kinds of fermented food products. In the present study, lactic acid bacteria (LAB) were selectively isolated from shidal, a traditional fermented fish product of Assam. *Lactobacillus* spp. constitutes a diverse group of bacteria widely distributed in the fermented products. In the context, *Lactobacillus plantarum* was isolated from shidal. The isolate was found to be bacteriocin positive possessing promising antibacterial property.

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