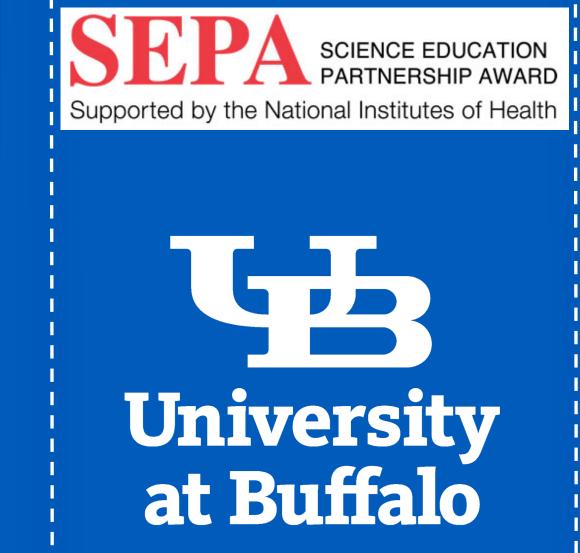
# Annotation of the *Kytococcus sedentarius* Genome at Locus Tags Ksed\_RS05035 Ksed\_RS05045 and Ksed\_RS05050

Ryan Beckett, Jennie Mercilliott, Jessica Perdue, Abdulrahman Yassein, and Kate Johnston Niagara Falls High School, Niagara Falls New York and The Western New York Genetics in Research and Health Care Partnership



## Abstract

Three genes from the microorganism *Kytococcus sedentarius* (Ksed\_RS05035, Ksed\_RS05045, and Ksed\_RS05050) were annotated using the collaborative genome annotation website GENI-ACT. The Genbank proposed gene product name for each gene was assessed using its basic genomic information, amino acid sequence-based similarity data, structure-based evidence from the amino acid sequence, cellular localization data, potential alternative open reading frames, enzymatic function, presence or absence of gene duplication and degradation, the possibility of horizontal gene transfer. The original proposed gene product name did not differ significantly from the proposed gene annotation for each of the genes in the group and therefore the genes appear to be correctly annotated in the database.

## Introduction

Kytococcus Sedentarius is an aerobic gram positive bacteria originally isolated from a marine environment (Sims et al., 2009). Its cells are spherical and in the form of tetrads that are groups in cubic packets (Sims et al., 2009). The optimal growth temperature is between 23-36°C (Sims et al., 2009). It is a bacterium of interest due to the diseases and conditions it has been linked to playing a role in causing. It is considered the cause of skin infections that degrade human calluses, endocarditis and hemorrhagic pneumonia (Sims et al., 2009).

Kytococcus Sedentarius can produce oligoketide antibiotics monensins A and B, and Kytococcus appear to have significant survival abilities when airborne (Folayan, A. et al., 2018). While the bacteria can cause life threatening illness, it is not clear how Kytococci enter the body, and they are typically resistant to penicillin G, methicillin, and isoaxazol penicillins (Folayan, A. et al., 2018). More studies are needed to help prevent and treat diseases caused by Kytococcus Sedentarius.

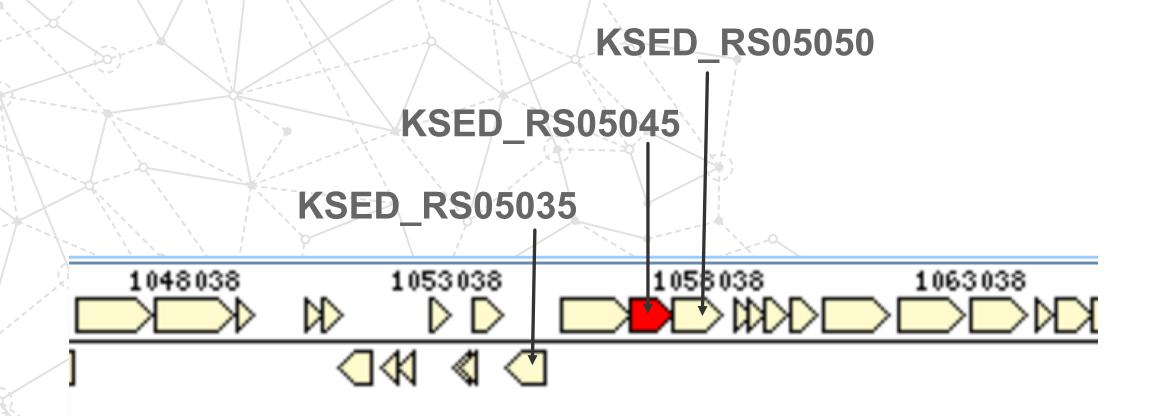


Figure 1 - The locus tags and relative position of the genes under investigation in this research

# Methods

Modules of the GENI-ACT (http://www.geni-act.org/) were used to complete Kytococcus sedentarius genome annotation. The modules are described below:

| Modules  | Activities  | Questions Investigated   |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Module 1- Basic Information<br>Module              | DNA Coordinates and<br>Sequence, Protein Sequence | What is the sequence of my gene and protein? Where is it located in the genome?  |  |  |  |  |
| Module 2- Sequence-Based<br>Similarity Data        | Blast, CDD, T-Coffee,<br>WebLogo                  | Is my sequence similar to other sequences in Genbank?                            |  |  |  |  |
| Module 3- Cellular<br>Localization Data            | Gram Stain, TMHMM,<br>SignalP, PSORT, Phobius     | Is my protein in the cytoplasm, secreted or embedded in the membrane?            |  |  |  |  |
| Module 4- Alternative Open<br>Reading Frame        | IMG Sequence Viewer For<br>Alternate ORF Search   | Has the amino acid sequence of my protein been called correctly by the computer? |  |  |  |  |
| Module 5- Structure-Based<br>Evidence              | TIGRfam, Pfam, PDB                                | Are there functional domains in my protein?                                      |  |  |  |  |
| Module 6- Enzymatic Function                       | KEGG, MetaCyc, E.C.<br>Number,                    | In what process does my protein take part?                                       |  |  |  |  |
| Module 7- Gene Duplication/<br>Gene Degradation    | Paralog, Pseudogene                               | Are there other forms of my gene in the bacterium? Is my gene functional?        |  |  |  |  |
| Module 8- Evidence for<br>Horizontal Gene Transfer | Phylogenetic Tree,                                | Has my gene co-evolved with other genes in the genome?                           |  |  |  |  |
| Module 9- RNA                                      | RFAM  | Does my gene encode a functional RNA?  |  |  |  |  |

# Results

#### Ksed RS05035:

The original gene predicted by GENI-ACT was a Beta-Hydroxybutyrate Dehydrogenase. This gene product proposal was supported by the top BLAST hits for the amino acid sequence, and the presence of well-curated protein functional domains within the amino acid sequence. Its function appears to be to synthesize or degrade ketone bodies. Based on this annotation, the originally predicted gene of Beta-Hydroxybutyrate Dehydrogenase correlates with these findings.

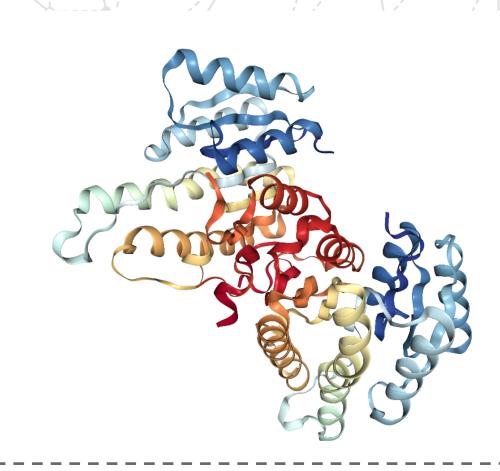
#### Ksed\_RS05045:

The initial proposed product of this gene by GENI-ACT was a type II secretion system protein F. This gene product proposal was consistent with the top BLAST hits for the amino acid sequence. The T-coffee showed alignment with the sequence. TMHMM and Phobius indicate that it functions as a transmembrane protein. And so, the proposed annotation is a type II secretion system protein F.

### Ksed RS05050:

The initial proposed product of these genes by GENI-ACT was Flp pilus assembly protein TadB. This gene product matches the results from the BLAST sequence. The sequence obtained similar results between the T-Coffee and Web Logo sequences. This protein showed evidence of being a transmembrane protein. Every module completed supported the initial proposal that the gene is a Flp pilus assembly protein.

Figure 2 –
Ksed\_RS05035 PDB
result produced this 3-D
model of the protein Dbeta-hydroxybutyrate
dehydrogenase from
Sinorhizobium meliloti



Fatty acid degradation

Acetoacetyl-CoAv

2.3.1.9

Acetyl-CoA

Acetyl-CoA

Glycolysis

Acetoacetate

Acetoacetate

Acetoacetate

Acetoacetate

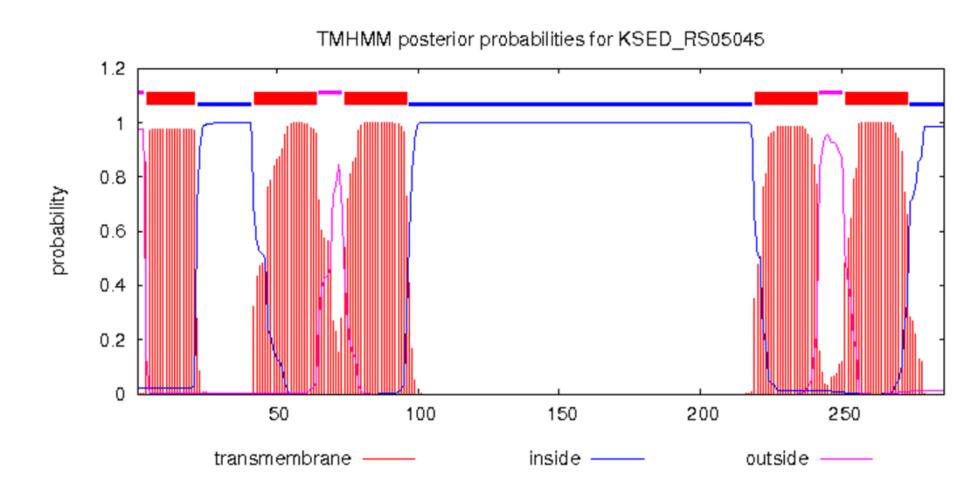
Acetoacetate

R)-3-Hydroxybutanoate

R)-3-Hydroxybutanoate

SYNTHESIS AND DEGRADATION OF KETONE BODIES

**Figure 3**: The enzymatic pathway of Ksed\_RS05035, Hydroxybutyrate

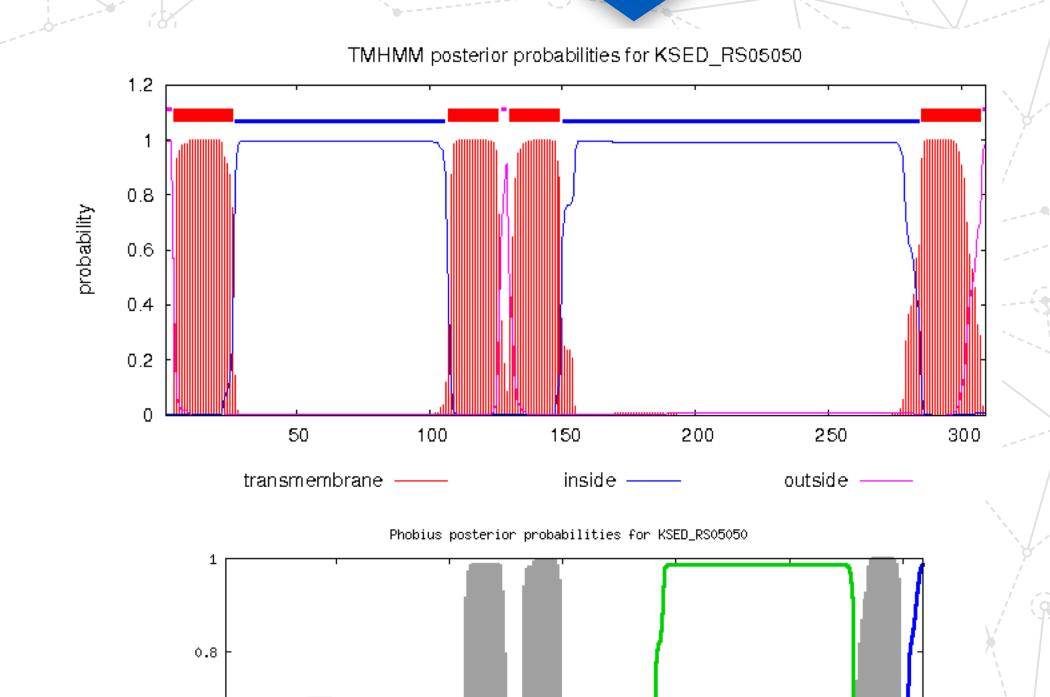


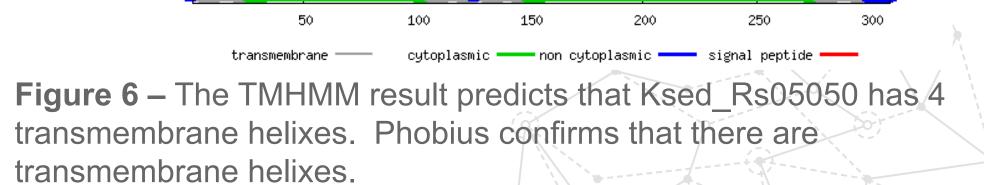
**Figure 4** – A TMHMM result predicting 5 transmembrane helixes for KSED\_RS05045

type II secretion system protein F [Kribbia dieselivorans]
Sequence ID: WP\_068401563.1 Length: 288 Number of Matches:

| Range  | 1: 3 to | 288 GenPept Graphics   |              | Next Match   | A Previous Match |
|--------|---------|--|--------------|--------------|------------------|
| Score  |         | Expect Method  | Identities   | Positives    | Gaps             |
| 329 bi | ts(84   | 3) 4e-110 Compositional matrix adjust.                                       | 174/287(61%) | 214/287(74%) | 3/287(1%)        |
| Query  | 2       | GMLLGATLGLGLALVWDSFWPRRPRARVTRTTWQ<br>G+ LGA LG GL LVW + W P PR +R           | •            |              |                  |
| Sbjct  | 3       | GLFLGALLGTGLFLVWWACWVQPEVPRVG-SRGRML   |              |              |                  |
| Query  | 60      | AALGVVTFVLTAGLTGVLPVAAAFGLIASGLPWAVL<br>L V F+ V+P+AA FGLIA+GLP ++           |              |              |                  |
| Sbjct  | 62      | VVLFAVVFLGFVATVKVVPIAACFGLIAAGLPIVII   |              |              |                  |
| Query  | 120     | GVRAGMALPEALAQLAVRGPEELRPAFAGFAHDYRA<br>VRAG+ALPEALAQL VRGP ELRPAF F DYRA    |              |              |                  |
| Sbjct  | 122     | AVRAGLALPEALAQLGVRGPVELRPAFIAFGEDYRA   |              |              |                  |
| Query  | 180     | ESLRIAREVGGSDLGVVLRTLSSFLREEAHTRSEME<br>ESLR+AREVGG+DLG +LRTLSSFLRE+A TR+E+E |              |              |                  |
| Sbjct  | 182     | ESLRVAREVGGTDLGSLLRTLSSFLREDARTRAELE   |              |              |                  |
| Query  | 240     | ATRGDSLAAYNSTTGALVLVLGGLVSVGAYLLMMRL<br>TR DS+AAY + TG LVL +GG ++V AY LM+R+  |              | 36           |                  |
| Sbjct  | 242     | TTRPDSMAAYGTVTGVLVLAIGGALTVVAYQLMLRI   |              | 38           |                  |

Figure 5 – Example of a BLAST hit for Ksed\_RS05045





## Conclusion

The GENI-ACT proposed gene product did not differ significantly from the proposed gene annotation for each of the genes in the group and as such, the genes appear to be correctly annotated by the computer database

| correctly armotated by the computer database. |                         |                    |  |  |  |
|---|-------------------------|--------------------|--|--|--|
| Gene Locus                                    | <b>Geni-Act Product</b> | Proposed           |  |  |  |
|   | 1                       | Annotation         |  |  |  |
| Ksed_RS05035                                  | 3-hydroxybutyrate       | 3-hydroxybutyrate  |  |  |  |
|   | dehydrogenase           | dehydrogenase      |  |  |  |
| Ksed_RS05045                                  | type II secretion       | type II secretion  |  |  |  |
|   | system protein F        | system protein F   |  |  |  |
|   |                         |                    |  |  |  |
| Ksed_RS05050                                  | Flp pilus assembly      | Flp pilus assembly |  |  |  |
|   | protein TadB            | protein TadB       |  |  |  |

# References

Folayan et al. (2018). *Kytococcus Sedentarius* and *Micrococcus luteus*: highly prevalent in indoor air and potentially deadly to the immunocompromised – should standards be set? Tropical Biomedicine, 35 (1) 149-160.

Sims et al. (2009). Complete genome sequence of *Kytococcus* sedentarius type strain (541T). Standards Genomic Sciences, 12 - 20.

# Acknowledgments

Supported by an NIH Science Education Partnership (SEPA)
Award - R250D010536

Special thanks to Dr. Stephen Koury, Dr. Rama Dey-Rao, and Brittany Mitchell

www.buffalo.edu