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cross contamination of produce. Curli producing bacterial strains are characterized by their ability to bind Congo red which provides a simple screening method *in vitro* curli production. The Congo red binding technique has a qualitative as well as a quantitative approach. Curli producers were isolated from fresh produce and unpasteurized carrot juice using modified luria bertani medium. Curli producing organisms formed dry red rough colonies on modified LB medium, while nonproducers formed smooth white colonies.. The parameters that control curli production such as temperature and osmolarity were evaluated using the Congo red binding technique.



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