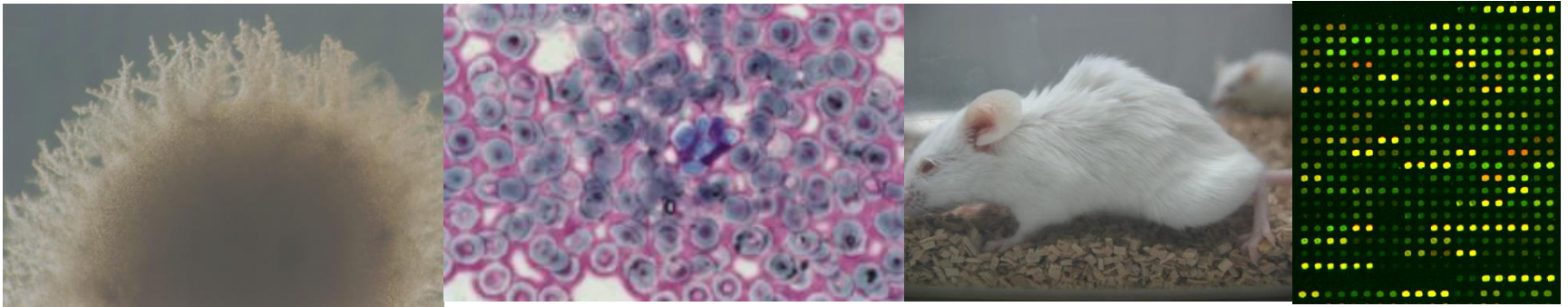


¿Las levaduras que se utilizan en la elaboración de alimentos son seguras?



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| More frequent yeast species | Origin (Food and beverage) | Major functions |
|--|---|---|
| <i>Saccharomyces</i> species | Wine, beer, sourdoughs, cider, sherry, cheese, indigenous fermented foods and beverages | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sugars fermentation, - production of secondary metabolites, - pectinase and glycosidasic activities, - inhibitory effect on the growth of mycotoxin producing moulds, - degradation of some fractions of kasein - CO₂ evolution |
| <i>Debaryomyces hansenii</i> | Cheese, salami | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lipolytic, proteolytic and urease activities, - increase of pH - production of growth factors of importance for bacteria |
| <i>Hanseniaspora (Kloeckera)</i> species | Wine, cider, indigenous fermented foods and beverages | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Proteolytic, glycosidasic and pectinolytic activities, - production of secondary metabolites |
| <i>Candida</i> fermenting species | Wine, sourdough, indigenous fermented foods and beverages | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Proteolytic, glycosidasic and pectinolytic activities, - production of secondary compounds - inhibitory effect on the growth of mycotoxin producing moulds |
| <i>Yarrowia lipolytica</i> | Cheese, salami | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lipolytic, proteolytic and urease activities - Reduction of fat rancidity |



YEASTS IN FOODS

Beneficial role

Negative aspects

Fermentations



Spoilage



Emergent pathogens



**Yeast associated
with foods and beverages**

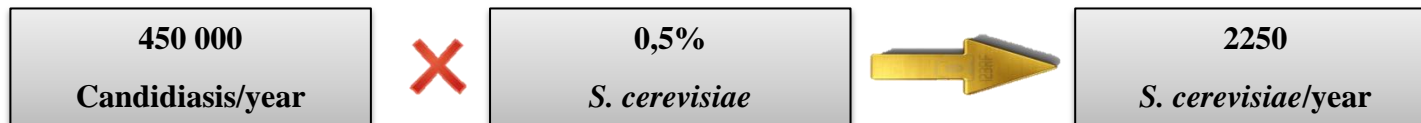


Candida kefyr
Candida krusei
Candida tropicalis
~~*Rhodotorula mucilaginosa*~~
Saccharomyces cerevisiae

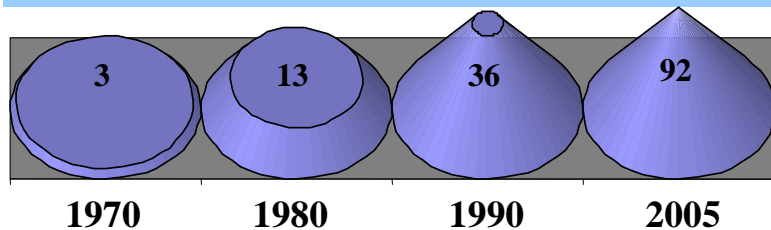
Human infections



EMERGING PATHOGENS



**DOCUMENTED CLINICAL CASES
RELATED WITH
*S. cerevisiae***



- Digestive tract
- Vagina
- Skin
- Oropharynx
- Sterile body sites: blood, organs (lungs, kidneys, heart..)

Phenotypic traits associated to pathogenicity

Non-clinical isolates of *S. cerevisiae*

| ISOLATES | ORIGIN | PLACE OF ORIGIN |
|---|------------------------------|-----------------|
| <i>S. boulardii</i> (<i>Ultralevure</i>) | UPSA (Biocodex) Lot R-08 | Madrid, Spain |
| References strains | | |
| CECT 1895 | Natural wine fermentation | Spain |
| CECT 1462 | Fermentation | United Kingdom |
| CECT 1942 | Brewery | The Netherlands |
| CECT 10.334 | Sherry wines | Spain |
| CECT 10.551 | Sherry wines | Spain |
| CECT 10.338 | Sherry wines | Spain |
| CECT 1479 | Sherry wines | Spain |
| Commercial wine strains | | |
| ICV-3 | Uvaferm CEG | California, USA |
| ICV-16 | Cryoaromae | California, USA |
| ICV-17 | Fermivin crio 7303 | California, USA |
| ICV-30 | Uvaferm 71B | California, USA |
| ICV-32 | Uvaferm PM | California, USA |
| T 73 | Lallemand | |
| Commercial baker's yeast | | |
| Cinta Roja | Burns Philip Lesaffre | Australia |
| Plus Vital | International | Francia |

Clinical isolates

| Nº ISOLATES | ORIGIN |
|--|------------------------|
| Vall D'Hebron Hospital (Barcelona, Spain) | |
| 43 | Faeces |
| 31 | Vagina |
| 7 | Pharynx |
| 10 | Sputum |
| 2 | Tracheal aspirated |
| 1 | Oral exuded |
| 1 | Bronchoalveolar lavage |
| 1 | Oral cavity |
| 1 | Pleural fluid |
| 1 | Bronchial aspirated |
| 1 | Low respiratory tract |
| 1 | Urine |
| 1 | Bile |
| La Fe Hospital (Valencia, Spain) | |
| 4 | Blood |

Dietary supplements isolates of *S. cerevisiae*

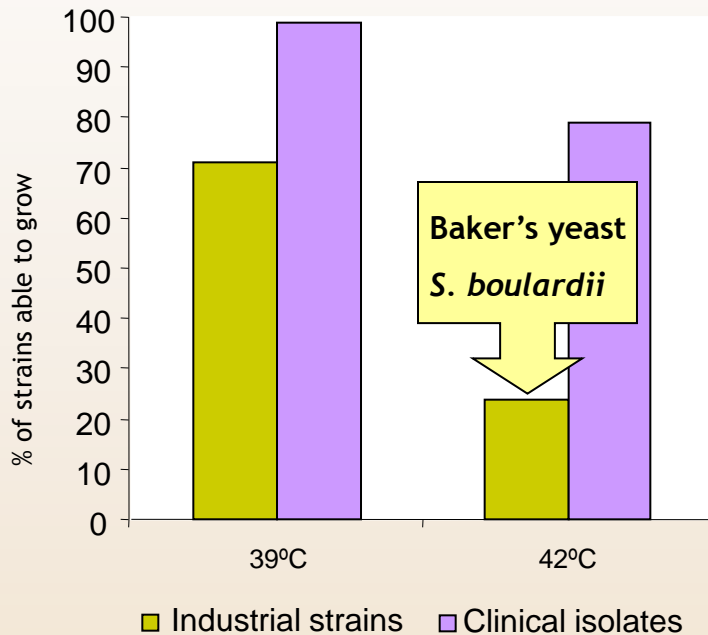
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Phenotypic traits associated to pathogenicity

Ability to grow on GPYA plates at 28°C, 37°C, 39°C and 42°C.

- ↪ 28°C is the optimal growth temperature for *S. cerevisiae*
- ↪ 37°C and 39°C are temperatures observed in febrile patients
- ↪ 42°C was tested because it is reported as an important characteristic of virulent isolates (McCusker et al., 1994)

CLINICAL AND FOOD STRAINS



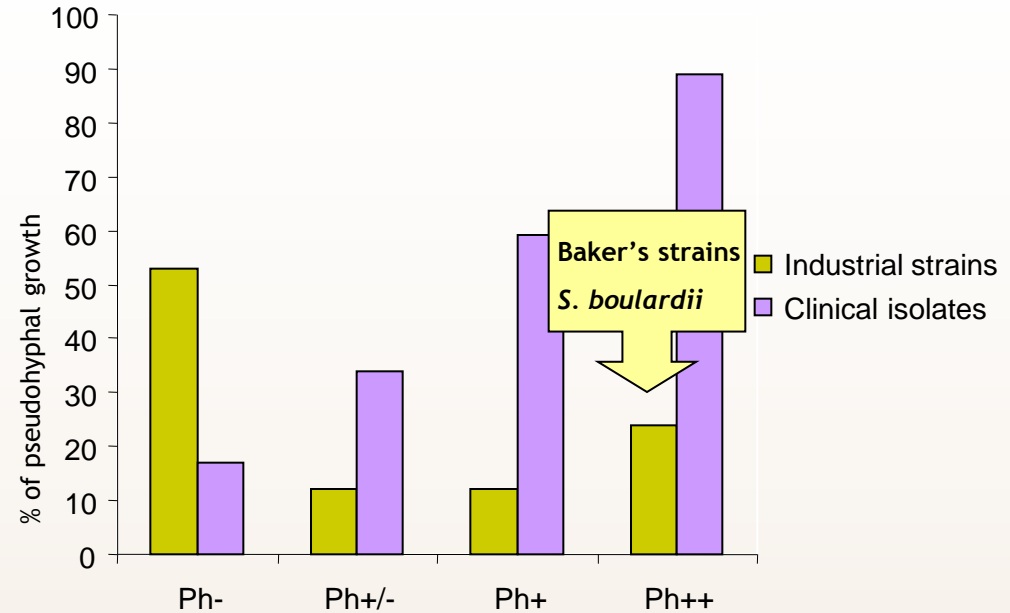
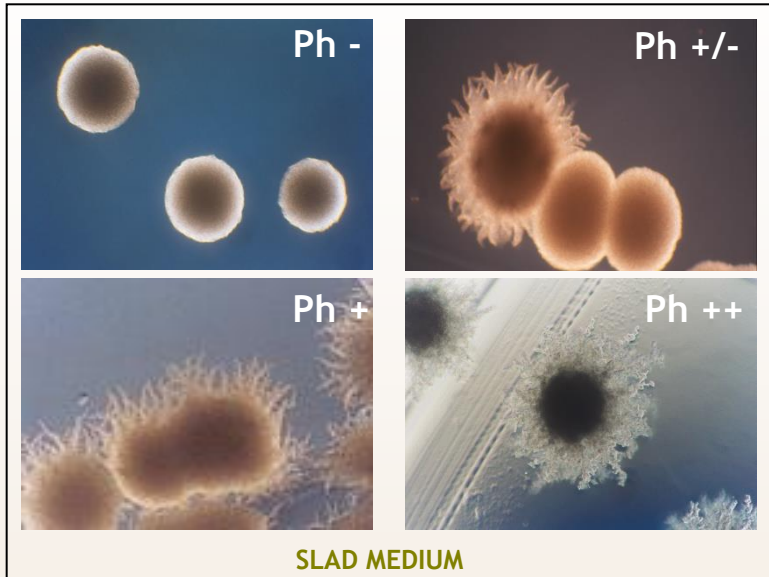
DIETARY SUPPLEMENTS ISOLATES

| ISOLATES | Growth at 28°C | Growth at 37°C | Growth at 39°C | Growth at 42°C |
|----------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 2 | + | + | + | + |
| 4 | + | + | + | + |
| 5 | + | + | + | + |
| 6 | + | - | - | - |
| 14 | + | + | + | + |
| 23 | + | - | - | - |

Phenotypic traits associated to pathogenicity

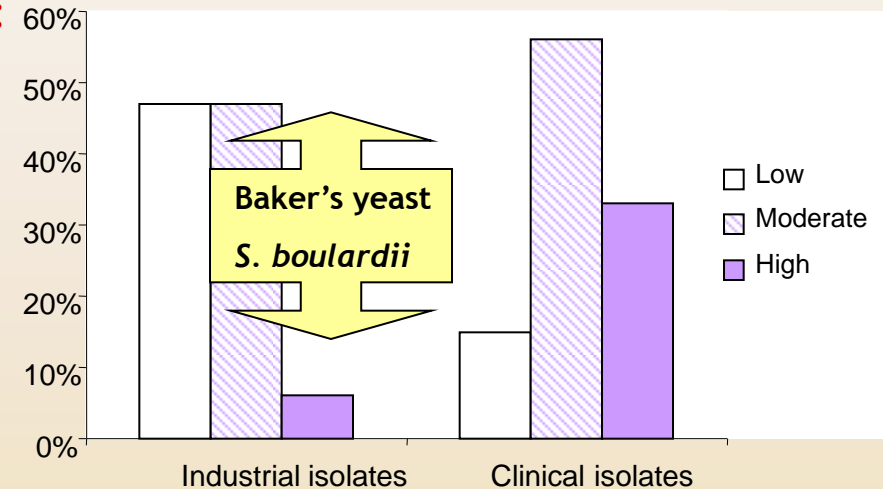
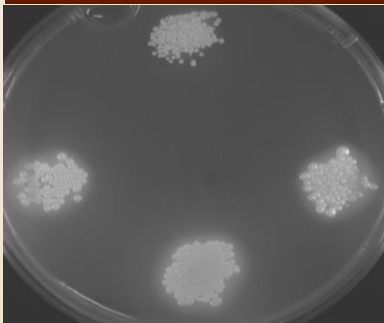
Pseudohyphal growth

Degrees of pseudohyphal growth



Extracellular secretion of degradative enzymes: proteases and phospholipases.

PHOSPHOLIPASES



To study the pathogenicity in murine models

Phenotypal traits associated with virulence

| Strains | Growth to | | | Protease activity | Phospholip. activity | Ph growth | Invasive growth |
|---------------------------|-----------|------|------|-------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------------|
| | 37°C | 39°C | 42°C | | | | |
| Industrial strains | | | | | | | |
| <i>S. boulardii</i> | ++ | ++ | + | ++ | + | + | - |
| ICV-17 | ++ | ++ | - | ++ | - | + | +/- |
| T73 | ++ | ++ | - | ++ | ++ | - | - |
| CECT10.431 | + | - | - | - | - | - | +/- |
| Baker yeast | ++ | ++ | + | + | ++ | ++ | - |
| Clinical isolates | | | | | | | |
| F27 (Blood) | ++ | ++ | + | ++ | ++ | ++ | - |
| # 75 (vagina) | ++ | ++ | - | ++ | ++ | ++ | - |
| # 20 (faeces) | ++ | ++ | ++ | + | + | ++ | + |
| # 60 (vagina) | ++ | ++ | ++ | ++ | + | ++ | + |
| # 102 (Respirat.) | ++ | ++ | ++ | + | + | ++ | + |



Three murine models: mice with different immunity states

IMMUNOCOMPETENT MICE: BALB/C

IMMUNODEFICIENT MICE: DBA/2N. (deficient in complement factor C5)

IMMUNODEPRESSED MICE ICR/Swiss (neutropenic mice by cyclophosphamide)

TO MIMIC THE WHOLE HUMAN POPULATION WITH DIFFERENT SUSCEPTIBILITIES TO *S. cerevisiae* INFECTION



To study the pathogenicity in murine models

Intravenous inoculation in the lateral tail vein of mice.
S. cerevisiae dose: 2×10^7 UFCs at a volume of 0,5ml of PBS buffer.



5 ICR/Swiss mice

IMMUNODEPRESSED

Neutropenia was induced by intraperitoneal injection of 200 mg/Kg of cyclophosphamide, 1 day before infection and 5 days after the first.

MICE WERE HANDLED IN STERILE CONDITIONS!!

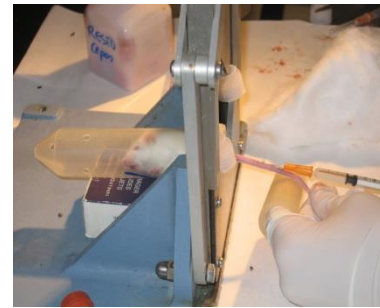
The plate were incubated for 48h at ambient temperature, and colonies were counted



10 DBA/2N mice

IMMUNODEFICIENT C5-

Both organs were homogenized diluted serially in sterile saline and plated onto GPYA plates with chloramphenicol



10 BALB/c mice

IMMUNOCOMPETENT

Survival experiment continue until day 30
2 mice were euthanized at 7, 15 day.



Pooled sera was obtained by cardiac puncture

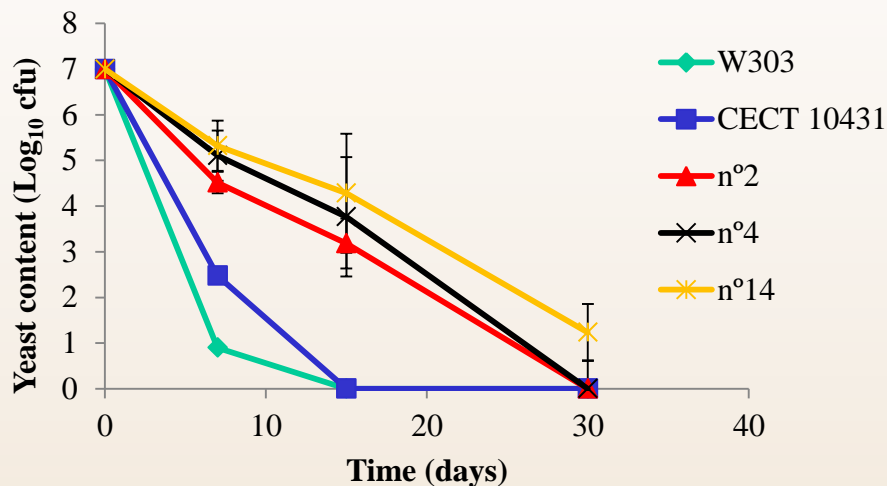


Brain and kidneys were aseptically removed

Pathogenicity in murine models

YEASTS INFECTIONS IN MURINE MODEL

KIDNEY'S BURDENS



MICE DEATHS

Immunocompromised

| Strains | # Dead | Day dead |
|---------------------|--------|-----------------------------|
| Genital # 60 | 4/5 | Day 4 (1) 5 (2) 6 (1) |
| Respiratory # 102 | 2/5 | Day 4 |
| Baker yeast | 2/5 | Day 4 |
| <i>S. boulardii</i> | 1/5 | Day 4 |
| Blood F27 | 1/5 | Day 4 |

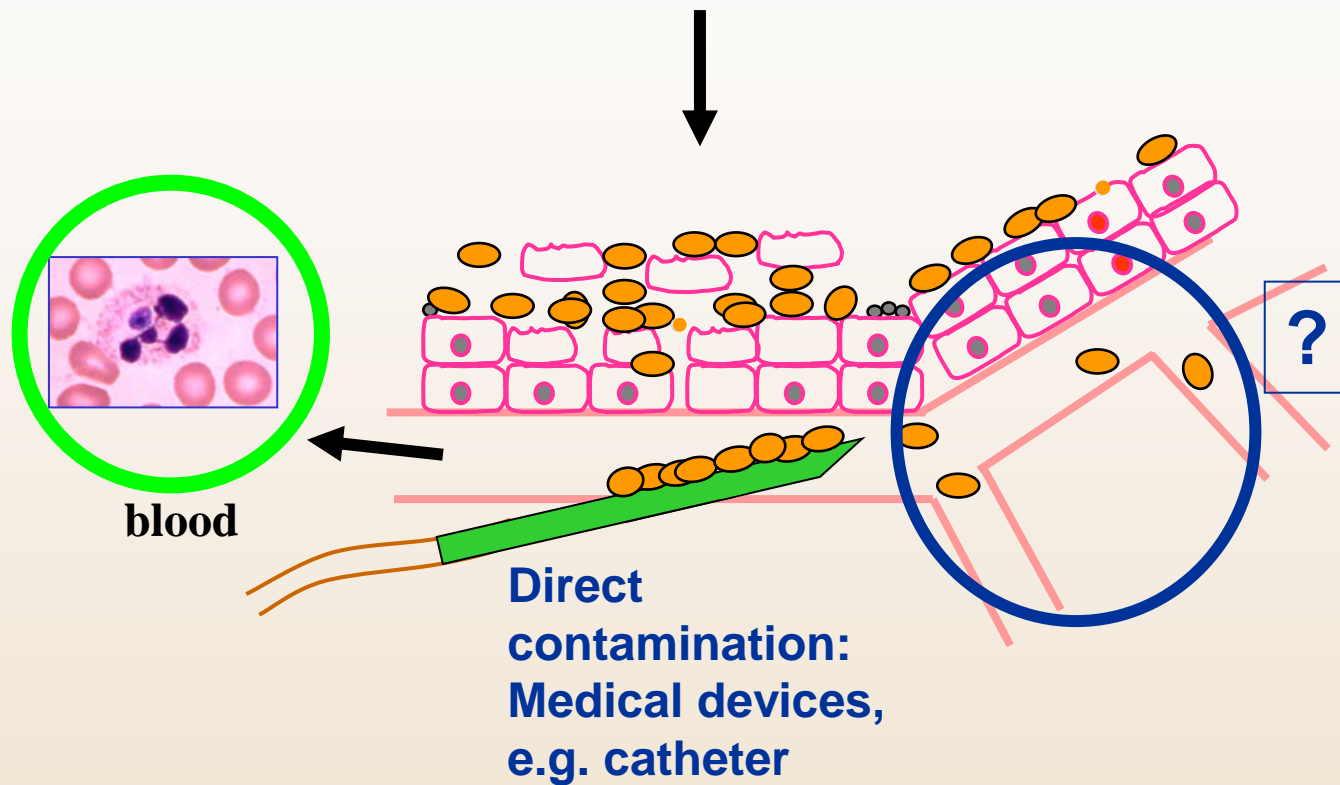
Immunocompetent

| Strains | # Dead | Day dead |
|---------------------|--------|----------|
| Genital # 60 | 2/10 | Day 4 |
| Respiratory # 102 | 2/10 | Day 3 |
| Baker yeast | 3/10 | Day 3 |
| <i>S. boulardii</i> | 2/10 | Day 4 |
| Strain D14 | 3/10 | Day 2 |



Portal of entry of *S. cerevisiae*

Penetration of epithelial cells from mucosal surfaces



Protocol

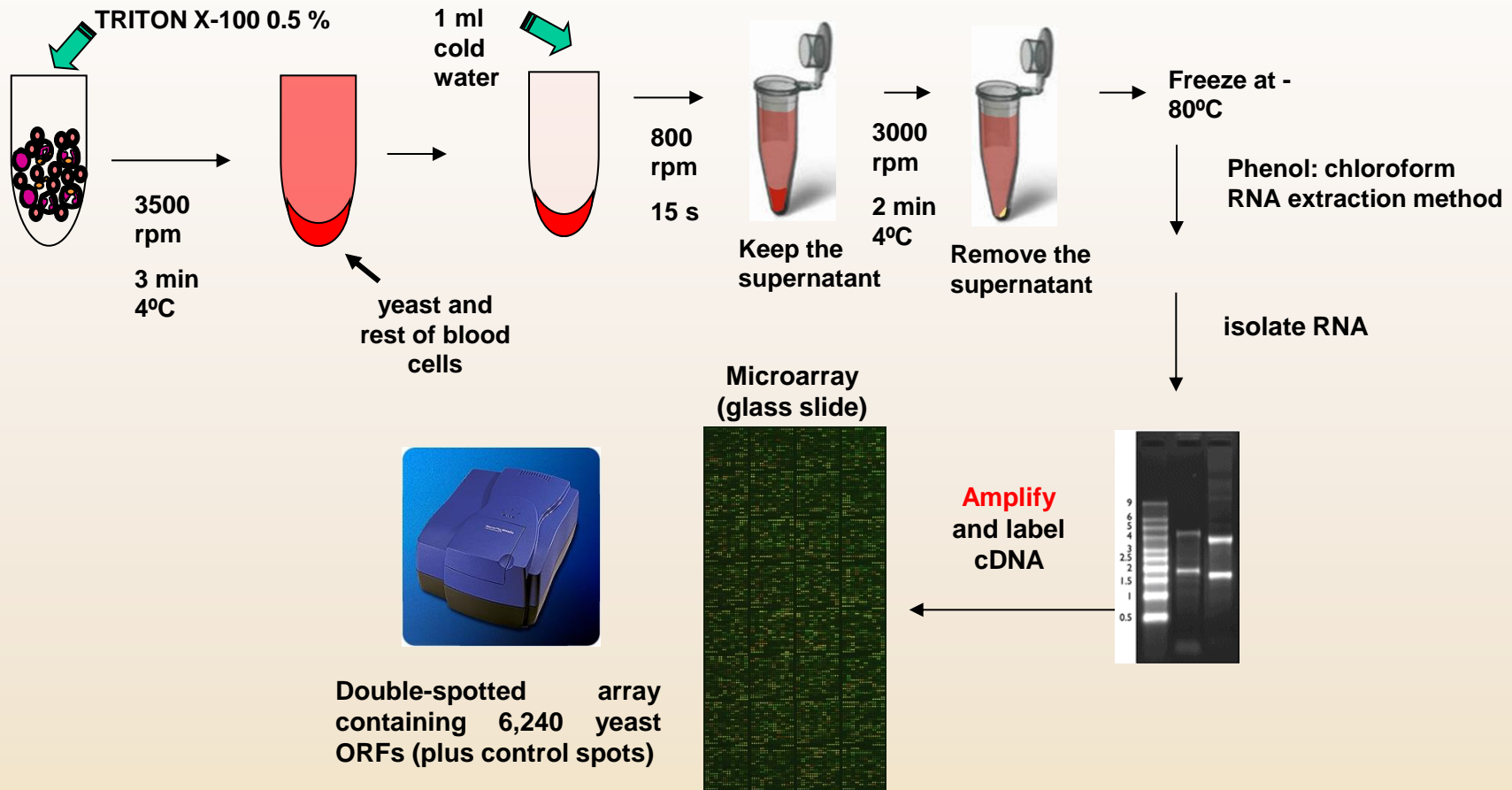
We take human peripheral venous blood from healthy volunteers

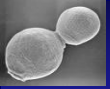
Preincubation yeasts (1×10^7 cells/ml) in PBS at 37°C at 120 rpm.

S. cerevisiae strains virulent (60, D14) and non-virulent (W303, CECT 10431)

Incubation yeasts with blood with a ratio of 2:1 (yeast:leukocyte)

Sample at 0, 15, 30 and 60 minutes





Survival in blood

Yeasts survival in whole blood and fractions

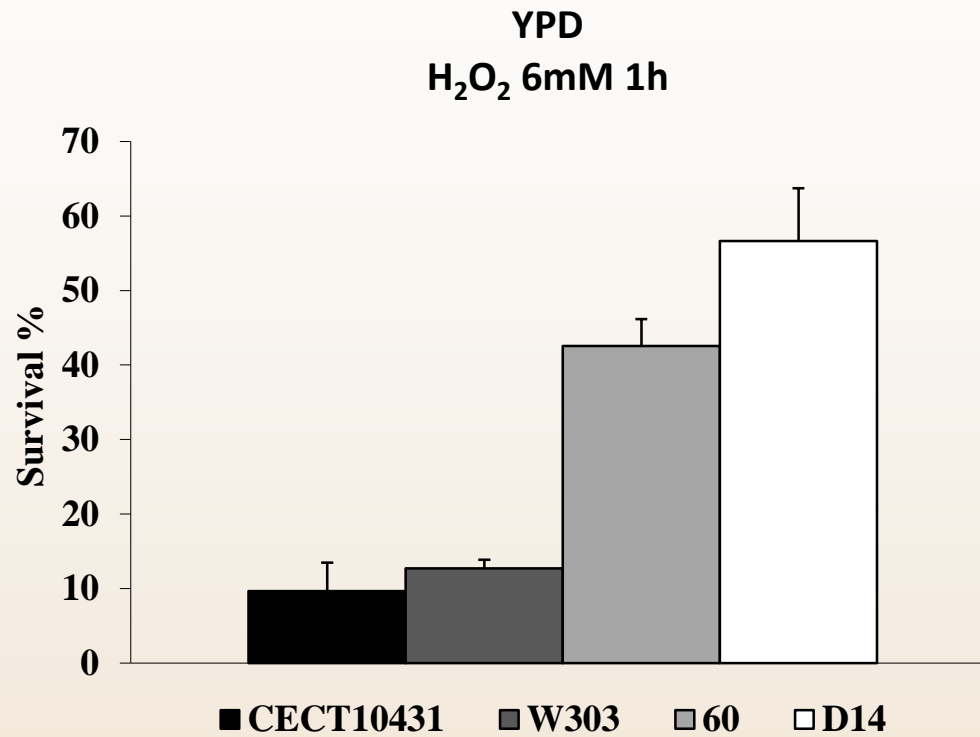
| Species | <i>C. albicans</i> | <i>S. cerevisiae</i> | <i>S. cerevisiae</i> | <i>S. boulardii</i> | <i>S. cerevisiae</i> | <i>S. cerevisiae</i> | |
|---------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------|
| Strain | SC5314 | 60 | D14 | Ultralevure | W303 | 10431 | |
| 10 min | Blood | 87.4 ± 8.7 | 98.8 ± 8.7* | 76.5 ± 13.8 | 76.0 ± 13.8 | 66.0 ± 11.2 | - |
| | PMNs | 81.0 ± 5.6# | 84.0 ± 6.3# | 37.3 ± 7.3 | 35.3 ± 6.3 | 34.8 ± 6.3 | - |
| | MNCs | 96.4 ± 5.8# | 83.9 ± 4.9 | 95.5 ± 6.5# | 98.0 ± 6.5# | 72.7 ± 7.5 | - |
| 60min | Blood | 56.4 ± 3.7* | 56.4 ± 3.7* | 60.5 ± 5.8* | 60.0 ± 5.8* | 35.7 ± 4.8 | 50,8 ± 9.8 |
| | PMNs | 52.7 ± 3.8# | 48.3 ± 5.0* | 17.5 ± 5.0 | 14.0 ± 5.0 | 22.1 ± 3.8 | - |
| | MNCs | 85.2 ± 3.9** | 67.3 ± 3.6* | 63.3 ± 5.1# | 57.3 ± 4.4 | 49.0 ± 4.4 | - |

Strains individually compared to W303 strain presented the following p-values: # p < 0.05, * p < 0.005 and **p < 0.0001.

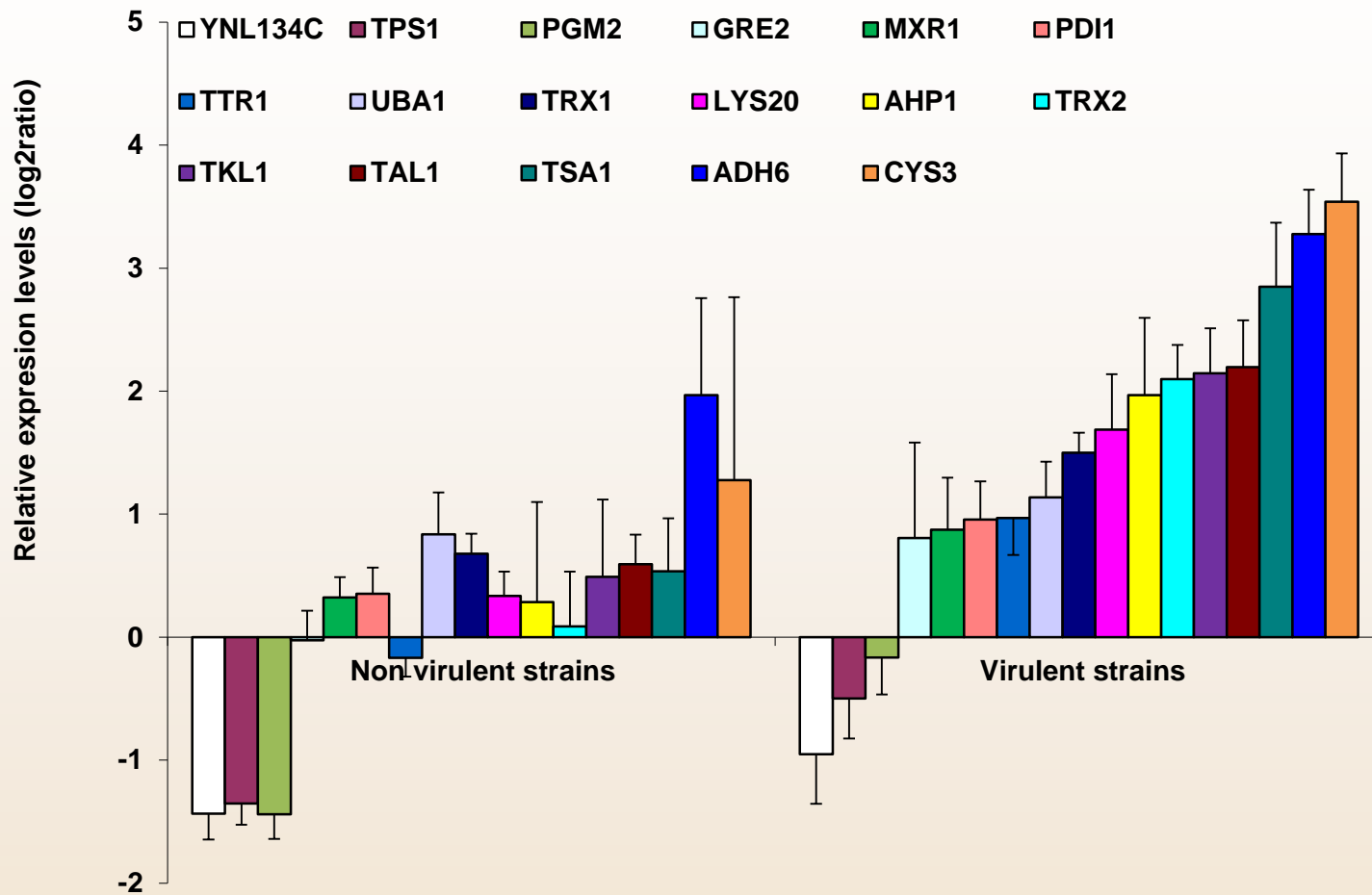
Functional groups comparing virulent with avirulent

| Functional groups | Time (min) | | | Genes |
|---|------------|----|----|---|
| | 15 | 30 | 60 | |
| Base-excision repair | + | - | - | POL30, POL31, RAD27, APN1, OGG1 |
| Vacuole organization | + | + | - | CMD1, VPS3, CUP5, VTC1, SFK1, VID24/ MD1/ VPS45/ TRX2/ TRX1/ VAC7/ TPM1/ VTC3/ |
| Xenobiotic transporter | + | - | - | PDR5, SNQ2, PDR12 |
| Amino acid biosynthetic process/ Amine biosynthetic process/ Nitrogen compound biosynthetic process | - | + | + | ARO4/ ARO3/ LYS4/ HIS1/ ARG5,6/ SER3/ILV1/ SER33/ HIS5/ LYS1/ TRP3/ ARG1/ ARG8/ LEU9/ ORT1/ SAM4 |
| Amino acid metabolic process | - | + | + | ADH5/ ARO4/ ARO3/ LYS4/ HIS1/ ARG5,6/ SER3/ ILV1/ADH4/ SER33/ HIS5/ LYS1/ URA2/ TRP3/ MSE1/ ARG1/ ARG8/ LEU9/ ORT1/ SAM4/ |
| Phosphatase activity | - | + | + | PTC3/ PHO3/ PHO5/ DPP1/ LPP1/ SDT1/ PHO12/ INP51/ SAP185/ SAC1/ PPZ1/ TSL1/ YMR087WTPS3/ FCP1/ YNL217W/ PHO12 |
| Transmembrane transporter activity | - | + | - | CTP1/ GGC1/ ATP17/ GNP1/ PIC2/ HXT10/ VPS73/ ZRT1/ TPO2/ TNA1/ AVT1/ VMA5/ ZRT3/ YBT1/ AQY2/ SMF3/ ZRT2/ ATR1/ ITR2/ ORT1/ ODC2/ PDR12/ YMC1/ ANT1/ TPO3/ |
| Cell redox homeostasis | - | - | + | TTR1/ TRX2/ TRX1/ TSA1/ GLR1/ YNL134C/ TPS1/ PGM2/ GRE2/ MXR1/ PDI1/ UBA1/ LYS20/ AHP1/ TKL1/TAL1/ ADH6/ CYS3 |

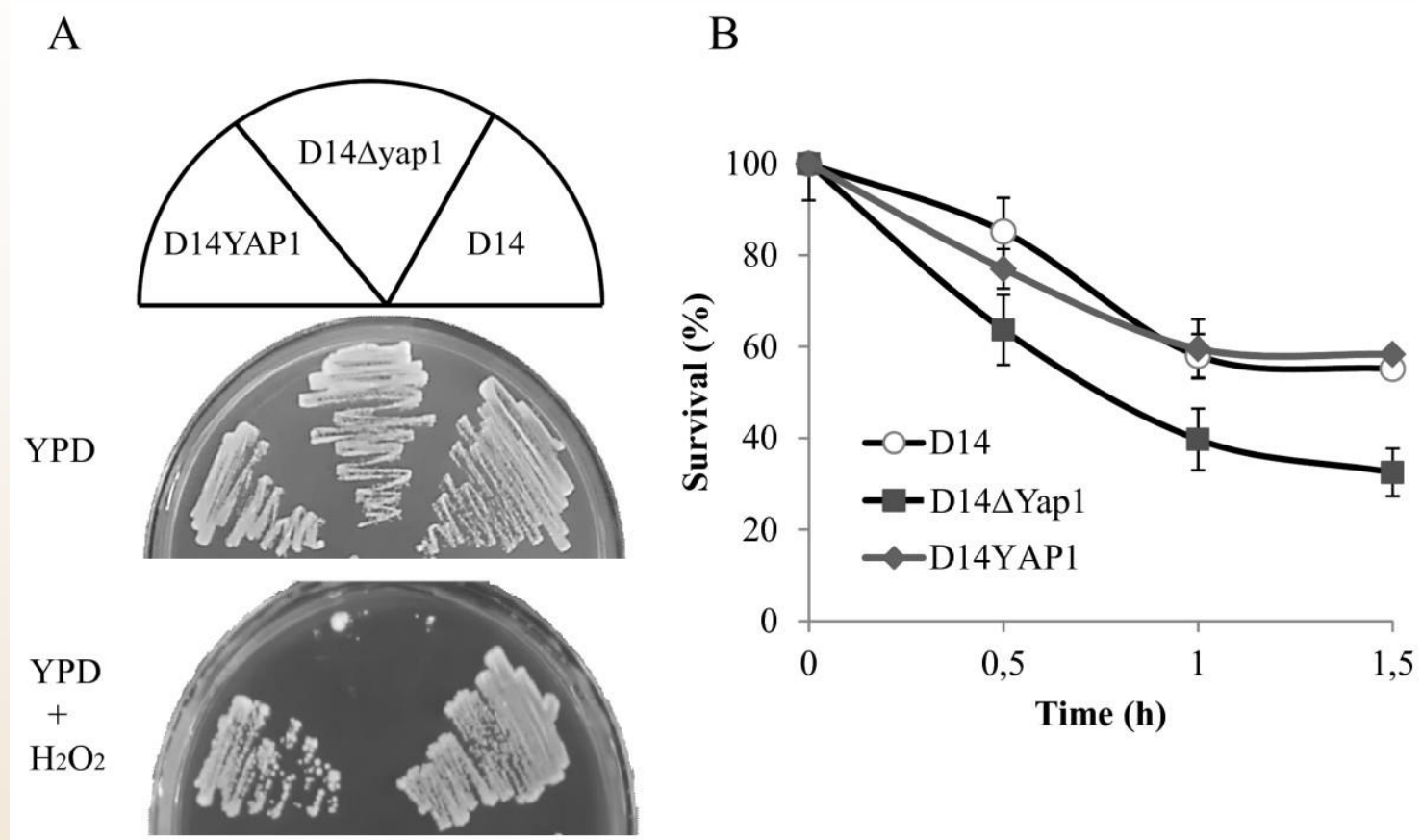
Resistance to oxidative stress



Yap1p regulated genes



Resistance to oxidative stress: survival in blood



Conclusions

↻ *S. cerevisiae* could be considered an opportunistic pathogen with **low virulence**, but the agrochemical industry and hospital would be wise to exercise caution.



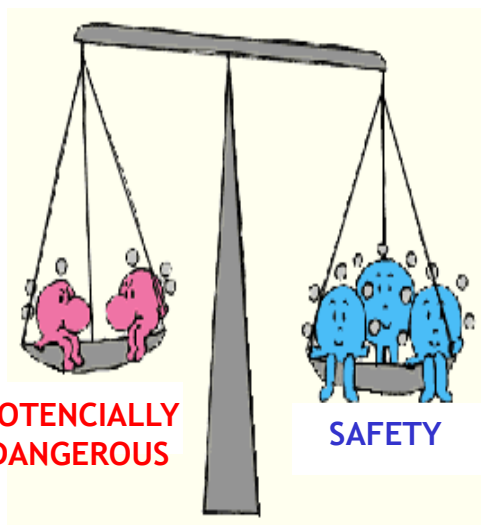
- ▶ To warn consumers and the medical profession about the dangers of ingesting enriched food with yeast (brewer's yeast tablets) as part of healthy diets mainly in people with weakened health.

- ▶ The ability to distinguish pathogenic from non-pathogenic strains would be of great benefit to Agrochemical industry, using as selection criteria: the ability to grow at 42°C, pseudohyphal growth and high levels of phospholipase activity.

- ▶ Caution needs to be exercised by people that work in the industrial and biotechnological sector, from bakery industry and from associating with individuals who work in close contact with yeast . Also to hospital staff that handle the capsules and packets of *S. boulardii*.

- ▶ Caution in handling of catheters, may be a nosocomial infection.

- ▶ Consider an alternative treatment to *S. boulardii* to treat patients with diarrhea, mainly if they are immunodepressed.



↻ *The transcriptional analysis indicate that the amino acids synthesis pathway and oxidative stress resistance are two molecular mechanisms involved in the virulence in S. cerevisiae*

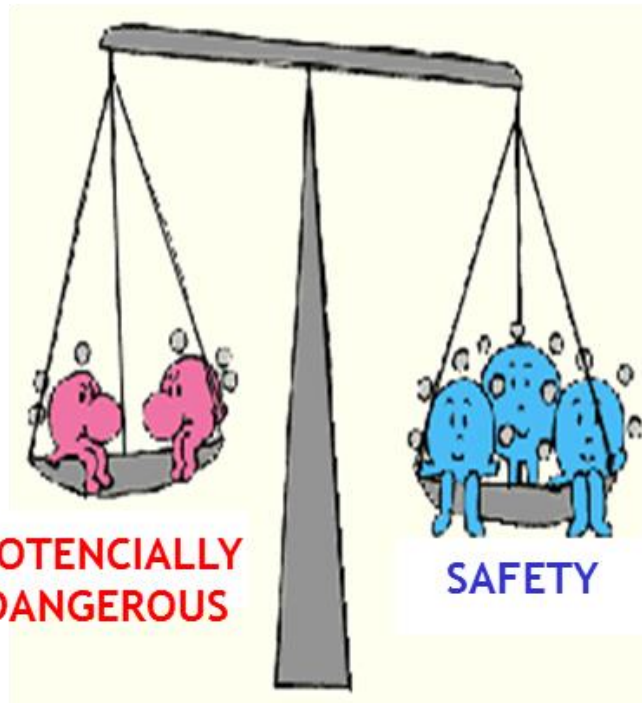
Yeast other than *Candida* and *Cryptococcus* species causing opportunistic infections in humans (obtained from (Fleet and Roostita, 2006).)

| Species | References |
|--|---|
| <i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i> | Eschete <i>et al.</i> (1980); Aucott <i>et al.</i> (1990); Bassetti <i>et al.</i> (1998); McCullough <i>et al.</i> (1998a); Murphy and Kavanagh (1999); Wheeler <i>et al.</i> (2003); Llanos <i>et al.</i> (2004) |
| <i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i> var <i>boulardii</i> | McCullough <i>et al.</i> (1998b); Piarroux <i>et al.</i> (1999); Lherm <i>et al.</i> (2002); Cassone <i>et al.</i> (2003) |
| <i>Rhodotorula</i> spp | Papadogeorgakis <i>et al.</i> (1999); Petrocheilou-Paschou <i>et al.</i> (2001); Braun and Kaufmann (1999); Diekema <i>et al.</i> (2005) |
| <i>Pichia anomala</i> | Murphy <i>et al.</i> (1986); Haron <i>et al.</i> (1988); Klein <i>et al.</i> (1988); Yamada <i>et al.</i> (1995); Garcia-Martos <i>et al.</i> (1996); Cermeno-Vivas <i>et al.</i> (1999); Georgiev (2003) |
| <i>Pichia farinosa</i> | Garcia-Martos <i>et al.</i> (1996) |
| <i>Pichia membranifaciens</i> | Garcia-Martos <i>et al.</i> (1996) |
| <i>Issatchenkia orientalis</i> | Merz <i>et al.</i> (1986); Goldman <i>et al.</i> (1993); Abbas <i>et al.</i> (2000); Georgiev (2003) |
| <i>Kluyveromyces marxianus</i> | Lutwick <i>et al.</i> (1980); Nielsen <i>et al.</i> (1990); Garcia-Martos <i>et al.</i> (1996) |
| <i>Hanseniaspora uvarum</i> | Garcia-Martos <i>et al.</i> (1999) |
| <i>Yarrowia lipolytica</i> | Shin <i>et al.</i> (2000); Georgiev (2003) |

Host factors contributing to human infections with opportunistic yeast pathogens (from: Hazen, 1995; Annaissie *et al.*, 1989; Hobson, 2003)

- Weak health; hospitalisation
- Cancer, AIDS
- Immunodeficiency; treatment with immunosuppressive drugs; chemotherapy
- Treatment with broad spectrum antibacterial agents
- Intravenous or central venous catheters
- Recent surgery (especially gastrointestinal tract)
- Total parenteral nutrition

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POTENCIALMENTE DANGEROUS

SAFETY



EFSA is requested to assess the safety of a broad range of microorganisms in the context of notifications for market authorisation as sources of food and feed additives, enzymes and plant protection products.

<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/>

- The QPS assessment is intended for **EFSA's own use**
- To provide a generic safety assessment approach applicable across EFSA's scientific Panels
- Unambiguously defined taxonomic units are assessed for potential safety concerns
- Sufficient body of knowledge covering field of application for which an authorisation is sought

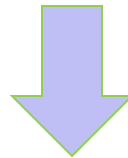


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Taxonomic level & body of knowledge

Safety concerns



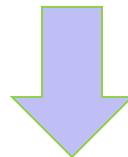
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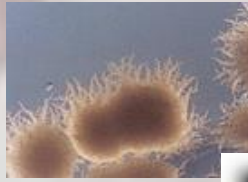
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| Yeasts | | | Qualifications **** |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Species | | | |
| <i>Debaryomyces hansenii</i> | | | |
| <i>Hanseniaspora uvarum</i> | | | |
| <i>Kluyveromyces lactis</i> | <i>Kluyveromyces marxianus</i> | | |
| <i>Pichia angusta</i> | | <i>Pichia jadinii</i> | QPS applies only when the species is used for enzyme production |
| <i>Komagataella pastoris</i> | | | |
| <i>Saccharomyces bayanus</i> | <i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i> † | <i>Saccharomyces pastorianus</i> | |
| <i>Schizosaccharomyces pombe</i> | | | |
| <i>Wickerhamomyces</i> | | | QPS applies only when |

******Absence of resistance to antimycotics used for medical treatment of yeast infections. In the case of *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* this qualification applies for yeast strains able to grow above 37 ° C.**



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