Development of hyper-ABE producing *Clostridium acetobutylicum* BKM19 and its genome analysis

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Solventogenic *Clostridium* naturally produce acetone-butanol-ethanol (ABE). To develop a hyper ABE producer, mutagenesis of the *Clostridium acetobutylicum* PJC4BK strain was carried out by using NTG and a hyper ABE producing BKM19 strain was isolated. The BKM19 strain produced 32.5 g/L of ABE (17.6 g/L of butanol, 10.5 g/L of ethanol, and 4.4 g/L of acetone) from 85.2 g/L of glucose in batch fermentation exhibiting the total solvent production capability 30.5% and 90.5% higher than the PJC4BK and ATCC824 strains, respectively. Genome of the BKM19 strain was resequenced by using the nextgeneration sequencing methods, to verify the mutations corresponding to the enhanced solvent production. [Development of Systems Metabolic Engineering for Biorefineries from the Ministry of Science, ICT and Future Planning (MSIP) through the National Research Foundation (NRF) of Korea (NRF-2012-C1AAA001-2012M1A2A2026556); and the Advanced Biomass R&D Center (ABC) of Global Frontier Project funded by the Ministry of Science, ICT and Future Planning (ABC-2010-0029799).]