

Isolation and Diagnosis of Some Dermatophytes Using Nitrogen Base Tracking Technique (Scquence)

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Abstract

A total of, 162 Samples of those infects with dermatophytes at Imam Hussein Teaching Hospital in Nasiryah city for the purpose of diagnosing some samples in a sequential manner , The samples included skin skimmers, nail clippers, hair pieces, Isolation and diagnosis of samples was carried out by conventional methods and then confirmed the diagnosis in a way that follows the nitrogen bases, where 10 samples were diagnosed and recorded in the gene bank , Trichophyton was the more frequent , than Epidermophyton ,A number of Candidia yeasts were also diagnosed in the traditional methods of appearance , It was a ratio of T. rubrum (28%) than T. interdigitale (24%), than T. mentagrophytes (21%), and also E. floccosum in the rate of (25%) , There are also ratios for the emergence of types of yeasts as a proportion C. albicans (32%) , Than C. parapsilosis (25%) , Than C. kruzi (22%) , and also C. dubllirensis in the rate of (19%) , Thes samples were collected from different ages and from both sexes .

Key words : Dermatophytes, Nitrogen base tracking technique (Scquence).

Introduction

Dermatophytes are a group of fungi that have the ability to attack keratinized tissues of humans and animals such as skin, hair and nails, causing dermatophytes, Thes fungi comprise three species (Trichophyton Epidermophyton, Microsporu) ¹ .

Trichophyton is characterized by the formation of large conidates and small conidaes with a smooth wall and this genus includes a number of species that have the ability to infect the skin, hair and nails ² .

Skin infections are a common infection in humans for a long time as millions of people in the world are exposed ³ , It causes skin infections known as ringworm(Tineas) or ringwor infection (Tinea) or skin mycosis in humans and animals ⁴ , It has the advantages of being a keratin-loving keratin (Keratinophilic) and his analyzer (Keratinolytic), but has no ability to penetrate deep tissus below the keratatinized layer as most of them are unable to live at high temperature such as body temperature ⁵ .

The incidence rates vary depending on the location of the infection in the body and age, as the incidence of scalp (Tinea capitis) in younger ages is more than in

adults , Asat ⁶ and his group in 1996 and the researcher (Chin,2000) ⁷ reported that the relative resistance to infection is due to the long chains of saturated fatty acids found in sebum produced after puberty , ringworm (Tinea corporis) occurs in warm areas of the world and affects more children, especially those in direct contact with animals and adults, especially in those with excessive sweating ⁸ , While ringworm (Tinea pedis) affects athletes in general because of its spread in swimming pools and clothing strikes, and crowded and public place (such as schools, hospitals, and public parks) are preferred sites for the emergence and wide variety of pathogenic and opportunistic fungi .

There are many laboratory methods used to diagnose skin fungi ⁹ one of these methods is forming on food circles ¹⁰ ,There are also special circles used to diagnose skin fungi called Dermatophytes Identification Media (DIM) in these settings, the diagnosis depeds on the color variation of the fungal colonies ¹¹ , Diagnosis can also be made based on specific nutritional requirements for the growth of fungi, such as the need for the thymine compound T. violaceum , ¹² Currently, the PCR technique is used to diagnose fungi if the fungal colony lacks the diagnostic phenotypic characteristic or

the newly developed fungal colony or if the fungus is dead¹³.

Materials and Method

Collect samples

About 162 samples (hair pieces, demabrasion , and nails) were collected from patients attending Imam Hussein Teaching Hospital in the Dermatology Consultation Department in Thi-Qar Governorate. (Gender, age, area of residence, injury area as well as the work of the injured person and date of sample collection).

Examination of samples

Direct microscopy of samples The samples were transferred to the college laboratory as they were taken from the affected skin, hair and nails and added drops of potassium hydroxide solution at a concentration of 10% after being placed on a glass slide and left for 5 minutes of time . In microscopic examination using a complex optical microscope and at a power of (40X) .

Cultivation of specimens

The remaining part of the samples is planted on the medium of Sabouraud Dextrose Agar with Cycloheximide and Chloramphenic . The medium of Sabouraud Dextrose Agar added with Cycloheximide and Chloramphenic to prevent the growth of opportunistic bacteria and fungi , Prepare the medium by melting 65 g of sabouraud dextrose agar in 1000 ml distilled water , sterilize with autoclave and cool to 45 C and add 0.05 of chloramphenic antibiotic to inhibit bacterial growth and 5.0 cycloheximide to inhibit the growth of unsatisfactory thrush , use this medium to isolate grow and preserve fungal isolates¹⁴ .

Diagnosis

Cultivated dishes were examined five days after transplantation and then left for three weeks at 28 C to allow more fungi to grow and appear , the fungi were then isolated from dishes containing SDA medium , the isolates are then purified and transferred from the colonial parts to the slanted media , it was incubated at 25 °C and then kept in the refrigerator at 4 °C to 6 °C until later use . All fungi were laboratory diagnosed based on the cultivative and phenotypic qualities and with the help^(15,16,17) .

DNA sequencing method

DNA sequencing method was performed for species typing of positive Trichophyton sp. isolates as following step:

1- The PCR product of 18S ribosomal RNA genes were sent to Macrogen Company in Korea in ice bag by DHL for performed the DNA sequencing by AB DNA sequencing system.

2- The DNA sequencing analysis (Phylogenetic tree analysis) was conducted by using Molecular Evolutionary Genetics Analysis version 6.0. (Mega 6.0) and Multiple sequence alignment analysis based ClustalW alignment analysis and The evolutionary distances were computed using the Maximum Composite Likelihood method by phylogenetic tree UPGMA method.

3- The Trichophyton species typing analysis was done by phylogenetic tree analysis between local Trichophyton sp. isolates and NCBI-Blast known Trichophyton species.

4- Finally identified Trichophyton species isolates were submitted into of NCBI-GenBank to get Genbank accession number .

Medium Chrome Agar Candida

Used to distinguish between the types of Candida , prepare the medium according to the instructions of the manufacturer by adding the powder medium (47 g) slowly to sterile distilled water Balmsdah (1000 ml) with stirring to homogenize the mixture and then heat to 100 C until large bubbles appear then cool to a degree 50 °C water bath and poured into Petri dishes , then samples were planted on the surface of the medium and incubated at 37 °C and you monitor growth for (24-48) hours and then observed the change in the colors of the colonies growing on this medium¹⁸ .

Results and Discussion

The results of laboratory transplantation on the medium of Sabouraud Dextrose Agar showed the presence of skin fungi in 70 samples of the total samples as shown in Table (1) , While the number of samples in which Candida appeared was 40 samples as shown in Table (2) , as for the results of the laboratory examination, 30 samples showed dermatophytes , Candida samples were 22, as shown in Table (3) , The

results of this table indicate that direct microscopic examination is highly sensitive in the diagnosis of skin injuries compared with implantation on the media¹⁹ They pointed out that the direct examination as a detection of the presence or absence of fungi , The emergence of negative results, whether in direct microscopy or laboratory transplantation for many reasons, the most important inaccurate diagnosis as the infection is not fungal, but are symptoms of allergic diseases, and also some patients resort to the use of treatments without consulting a doctor, which leads to influence the activity of the fungus causing the infection²⁰ , and not grow until transplantation²¹ .

Table (1) number of fungal isolates isolated from skin, hair and nails

Mushroom type	The number	Mean%
T. mentagrophytes	15	21
T. interdigitale	17	24
T. rubrum	20	28
E. floccosum	18	25

The total number of positive isolated fungi (70) was calculated by the following equation

$$\text{Number} \div \text{Total number} \times 100$$

Table (2) number of candida isolates

Candida type	The number	%Mean
C. albicans	20	32
C. dubliensis	12	19
C. parapsilosis	16	25
C. kruzi	14	22

The total number of isolated Candida was (62) and the percentage was calculated by the following equation

$$\text{Number} \div \text{Total number} \times 100$$

Table (3) Results of microscopy and transplantation of samples

Type of examination	Dermatophytes	Percentage	Candida	Mean%
Direct microscopy (KOH)	30	30%	22	22
Fungal transplants results	70	70%	40	40

The study showed the diagnosis of three species of the genus Trichophyton from the samples included in the study which T. mentagrophyte and T. rubrum and T. interdigitale with one species of the genus Epidermophyton which is E. floccosum on the medium of Sabouraud Dextrose Agar added with Cycloheximide and Chloramphenic , the study also showed the emergence of types of genus Candida , namely C. albicans and C. dubliensis and C. parapsilosis with C. kruzi it was grown on the medium Chrom Agar as shown in the following figures :

Molecular diagnosis using polymerase chain reaction

Nucleic acid was extracted from the isolates under study and the result was the emergence of DNA bundles clearly when imaging with UV light and for all the isolates selected using electrophoresis technique on agarose gel as shown in Figure (1) .

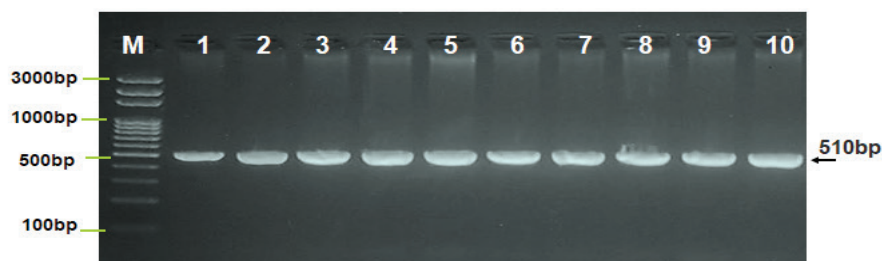


Figure (1) represents the shape of shape of DNA produced using PCR technology

The results of the sequence for a set of studied samples

Ten specimens in the present study showed the new species of the genus *Trichophyto* sp. that were registered at the International NCBI- Genbank, the results revealed that there were many variables in many of the samples examined compared to the DNA sequence recorded in the bank.

DNA Sequences	Translated Protein Sequences
Species/Abbrv	Δ
1. KK906476.1 <i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i> isolate 800024 inter	G T A A G T G A A T T C G A A T T C G G T A A T C A T C G A A T C T T T A A C G C A C A T T G C C C C C C T G G A T T C C G
2. MF800872.1 <i>Trichophyton rubrum</i> isolate AMC/MICRO/011 small	G T A A G T G A A T T C G A A T T C G G T A A T C A T C G A A T C T T T A A C G C A C A T T G C C C C C C T G G A T T C C G
3. MH791431.1 <i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i> strain DSM 107610 18	G T A A G T G A A T T C G A A T T C G G T A A T C A T C G A A T C T T T A A C G C A C A T T G C C C C C C T G G A T T C C G
4. MH990853.1 <i>Trichophyton interdigitale</i> isolate VPCI 393/P/17	G T A A G T G A A T T C G A A T T C G G T A A T C A T C G A A T C T T T A A C G C A C A T T G C C C C C C T G G A T T C C G
5. MK312950.1 <i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i> strain R-7053 small	G T A A G T G A A T T C G A A T T C G G T A A T C A T C G A A T C T T T A A C G C A C A T T G C C C C C C T G G A T T C C G
6. <i>Trichophyton</i> sp. A05 isolate 18S rRNA gene	G T A A G T G A A T T C G A A T T C G G T A A T C A T C G A A T C T T T A A C G C A C A T T G C C C C C C T G G A T T C C G
7. <i>Trichophyton</i> sp. A06 isolate 18S rRNA gene	G T A A G T G A A T T C G A A T T C G G T A A T C A T C G A A T C T T T A A C G C A C A T T G C C C C C C T G G A T T C C G
8. <i>Trichophyton</i> sp. B06 isolate 18S rRNA gene	G T A A G T G A A T T C G A A T T C G G T A A T C A T C G A A T C T T T A A C G C A C A T T G C C C C C C T G G A T T C C G
9. <i>Trichophyton</i> sp. D05 isolate 18S rRNA gene	G T A A G T G A A T T C G A A T T C G G T A A T C A T C G A A T C T T T A A C G C A C A T T G C C C C C C T G G A T T C C G
10. <i>Trichophyton</i> sp. D06 isolate 18S rRNA gene	G T A A G T G A A T T C G A A T T C G G T A A T C A T C G A A T C T T T A A C G C A C A T T G C C C C C C T G G A T T C C G
11. <i>Trichophyton</i> sp. E05 isolate 18S rRNA gene	G T A A G T G A A T T C G A A T T C G G T A A T C A T C G A A T C T T T A A C G C A C A T T G C C C C C C T G G A T T C C G
12. <i>Trichophyton</i> sp. F05 isolate 18S rRNA gene	G T A A G T G A A T T C G A A T T C G G T A A T C A T C G A A T C T T T A A C G C A C A T T G C C C C C C T G G A T T C C G
13. <i>Trichophyton</i> sp. F06 isolate 18S rRNA gene	G T A A G T G A A T T C G A A T T C G G T A A T C A T C G A A T C T T T A A C G C A C A T T G C C C C C C T G G A T T C C G
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15. <i>Trichophyton</i> sp. G06 isolate 18S rRNA gene	G T A A G T G A A T T C G A A T T C G G T A A T C A T C G A A T C T T T A A C G C A C A T T G C C C C C C T G G A T T C C G

Figure (2): Multiple sequence alignment analysis of 18S rRNA gene in local *Trichophyton* sp. isolates and NCBI-Genbank *Trichophyton* sp. Isolates. The multiple alignment analysis was constructed using ClustalW alignment tool in (MEGA 6.0 version). That show the nucleotide alignment similarity as (*) with substitution mutations in 18S rRNA gene.

***Trichophyton mentagrophytes* isolate IQ-E5 internal transcribed spacer 1, partial sequence; 5.8S ribosomal RNA gene, complete sequence; and internal transcribed spacer 2, partial sequence**

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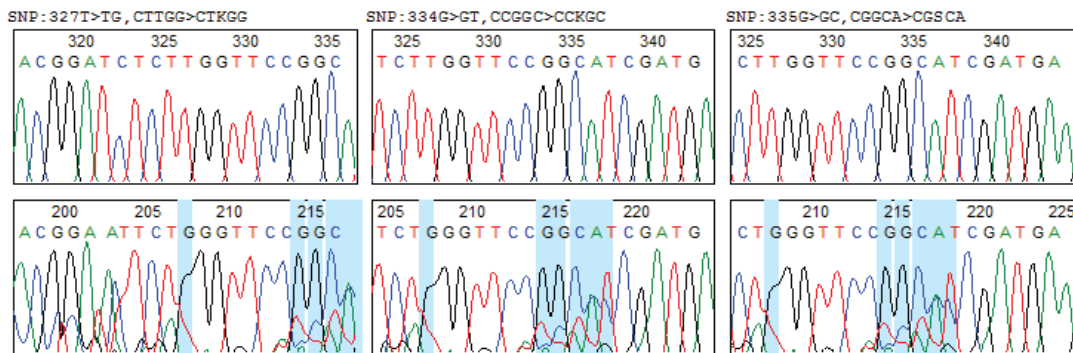
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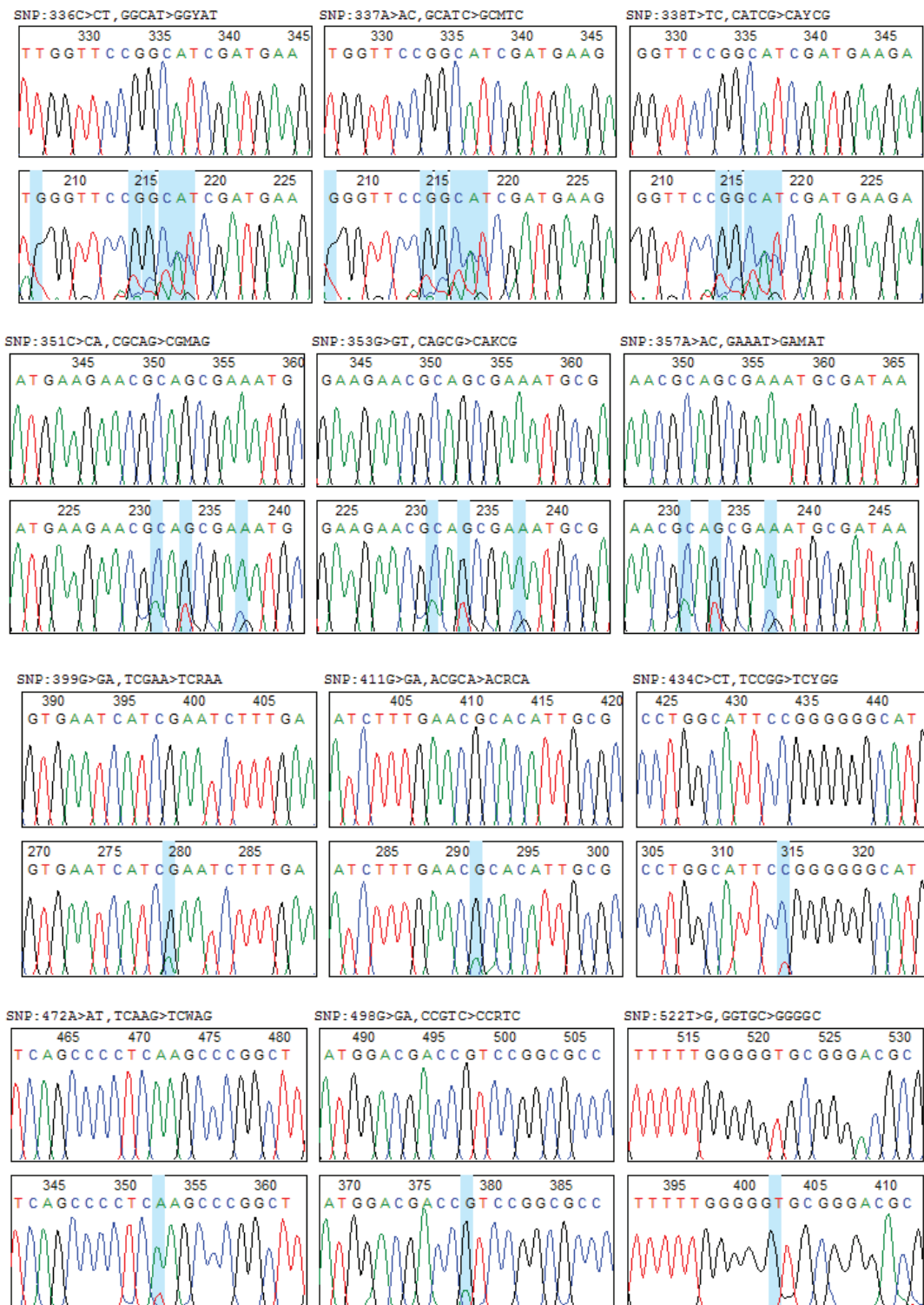


Figure (3): Treatment of the sequence of nucleotides of the isolated local *Trichophyton mentagrophytes*

Table (4): the NCBI-BLAST Homology Sequence identity (%) between local Trichophyton sp. isolates and NCBI-BLAST submitted Trichophyton sp. isolates:

NCBI-BLAST Homology Sequence identity (%)			Genbank Accession number	Trichophyton sp. Isolate No.1
Identity(%)	Genbank Accession number	Identical Trichophyton sp.		
91.88%	MK312950.1	Trichophyton mentagrophytes	MN165768	Trichophyton sp. A05 isolate
99.62%	MH791431.1	Trichophyton mentagrophytes	MN165769	Trichophyton sp. A06 isolate
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91.70%	KX906476.1	Trichophyton mentagrophytes	MN165771	Trichophyton sp. D05 isolate
94.77%	MH791431.1	Trichophyton mentagrophytes	MN165777	Trichophyton sp. D06 isolate
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85.79%	KX906476.1	Trichophyton mentagrophytes	MN165774	Trichophyton sp. F05 isolate
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80.41%	MF800872.1	Trichophyton rubrum	MN165776	Trichophyton sp. G05 isolate
92.64%	MH791431.1	Trichophyton mentagrophytes	MN165772	Trichophyton sp. G06 isolate

The reliance on molecular analysis of DNA sequences in the present study to diagnose dermatophytes is of great importance in supporting phenotypic diagnostic methods

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