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## Toxicity analysis of pesticides on cyanobacterial species by 16S rDNA molecular characterization

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### Abstract

Damaging effects of endosulfan on native structure of DNA, evident as a result of PCR based assay such as 16S rDNA amplification and sequencing, led to formation of gaps, mismatching of base pairs and dissimilarities in entire 16S rDNA sequences of treated cultures. Endosulfan was the most fatal to *Westiellopsis prolifica* of 16S rDNA region at 40ppm insecticide induced series of mispairing, and other lesions amounting up to 20% dissimilarity and 7% gaps. Whereas, 16S rDNA region of *Anabaena fertilissima* was comparatively less influenced with 18% dissimilarity and 7% gaps in response to 12ppm endosulfan, while 16S rDNA gene of *Aulosira fertilissima* was the least prone to changes with 17% dissimilarity, and 5% gaps under 60ppm endosulfan stress by the end of 16 days. On the other side, impact of fungicide tebuconazole after 16 days reflected identities up to 78% and 8% gaps for 30ppm treated *A. fertilissima*, while 60ppm treatment instilled 79% similarities with 10% gaps in *W. prolifica* and 83% identities with 5% gaps of *Aulosira fertilissima* after 16 days.

**Keywords** cyanobacteria species; endosulfan; tebuconazole; 16s rDNA molecular characterization.

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### 1 Introduction

Cyanobacteria are among the most known widespread, morphologically distinct and abundant prokaryotes. They are oxygenic photosynthetic autotrophs, originally considered as a class of algae, the blue-green algae possessing a unique ability in fixing atmospheric nitrogen (Holt et al., 1994). With an extraordinary biosynthetic potential and a repertoire of diverse metabolic activities, they are one of the dominant genera in various ecological habitats, especially in rice fields. *Anabaena fertilissima*, *Aulosira fertilissima* and *Westiellopsis prolifica*, photoautotrophic cyanobacteria constitute an important fraction of the N-fixing microflora of the paddy fields. Increased production of rice for meeting the food demand of the ever-growing

population requires enormous use of fertilizers and pesticides, resulting in heavy contamination of paddy fields and the cyanobacteria inhabiting therein (Zhang and Zhang, 2007; Zhang et al., 2011; Enti-Brown, et al. 2012). Although pesticides are indispensable to the modern agricultural practice, however, these pesticides over the years have resulted in problems caused by their interactions with the biological systems in the environment and have deleterious effects on algae especially nitrogen fixing cyanobacteria by influencing growth, photosynthesis, nitrogen fixation, biochemical and molecular composition, and metabolic activities (Pankratz et al., 2003).

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) technology has a significant impact in almost all the areas of molecular biology and the modification of this basic procedure has allowed a number of assays for detecting variation at the nucleotide level. A molecular approach based on 16S rDNA is useful in detecting bacterial community structural changes, because these genes are conserved and present in all bacteria (Moyer et al., 1994). Moreover, microbial community analyses using nucleic acids, such as 16S rDNA, can detect and identify community members with high specificity to the species and strain level, and can also detect and suggest phylogenetic relationships of uncultured organisms (Kerkhof et al., 2000). In addition, the impact of 2,4-D ethyl ester and pencycuron in inducing DNA damage in three species of cyanobacteria-*A. fertilissima*, *Aulosira fertilissima*, and *W. prolifica* as evidenced by PCR-based assays: RAPD and 16S rRNA amplification was examined (Nirmal Kumar et al., 2011a). Besides, an evaluation of pesticide-stress induced proteins in three cyanobacterial species- *A. fertilissima*, *Aulosira fertilissima*, and *W. prolifica* was also studied to observe protein profile changes and differentially expressed proteins under pesticide stress (Nirmal Kumar et al., 2011b). Current study was thus undertaken to investigate the various changes in 16S rDNA genomes of selected cyanobacterial species like *A. fertilissima*, *Aulosira fertilissima* and *W. prolifica* abundantly residing in Indian rice fields in response to different pesticide levels of endosulfan and tebuconazole.

## 2 Materials and Methods

### 2.1 Cyanobacteria strains, growth conditions and pesticide treatment

Axenic cultures of *A. fertilissima* Rao, *Aulosira fertilissima* Ghose and *W. prolifica* Janet were obtained from Centre for Conservation and Utilization of Blue-Green Algae, IARI, New Delhi and were grown photoautotrophically in nitrogen free BG<sub>11</sub> medium (Rippka, 1979) within controlled temperatures (25±2°C) under 3000 lux light with the photoperiod of 14: 10 hours.

Endocel (35% EC, endosulfan manufactured by Excel Crop Care Ltd, Gujarat, India) and Folicur (25.9 % EC, tebuconazole manufactured by Bayer Crop Science, Mumbai) were used for the present study. Endosulfan (6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 10-hexachloro-1, 5, 5a, 6, 9, 9a-hexahydro-6, 9-methano-2, 4, 3-benzodioxathiepine-3-oxide) as a broad spectrum organochlorine insecticide to control aphids, beetles, foliar, etc and tebuconazole [1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-4,4-dimethyl-3-(1,2,4-triazol-1-ylmethyl)pentan-3-ol] as a systemic triazole fungicide against sheath blight of rice need special significance. Exponentially grown cyanobacterial cells were used throughout the experiment and organisms were subjected to various selected concentrations of the organochlorine insecticide and triazole fungicide based upon a set of experiments for determination of LC<sub>50</sub>. LC<sub>50</sub> values of the organisms for endosulfan and tebuconazole were determined based on chlorophyll-a of the cyanobacterial species and accordingly, two concentration like LC<sub>50</sub> and higher concentrations of the pesticides were used in all further experiments up to a period of 16 days (Table 1). Axenic cultures and sterile conditions were maintained throughout the experimental period.

### 2.2 DNA extraction

The cultures were spun down at 5000 rpm for 20min (20°C) and total genomic DNA was extracted from the cells using phenol–chloroform based method as previously described by (Adams, 1988) and precipitated from

the supernatant by the addition of ice-cold absolute ethanol. Precipitated DNA was centrifuged at 15,000 rpm for 10 min at 4 °C, and the pellet was suspended in minimal volume of TE buffer (10mM Tris, 1mM EDTA; pH 7.6).

**Table 1** LC<sub>50</sub> values and pesticide treatments of the test organisms for endosulfan and tebuconazole.

Xenobiotic compound	Organisms selected for study	LC <sub>50</sub> values determined (ppm)	Treatments decided based upon LC <sub>50</sub> (ppm)
Endosulfan	<i>A. fertilissima</i>	6	6 12
	<i>Aulosira fertilissima</i>	30	30 60
	<i>W. prolifica</i>	20	20 40
Tebuconazole	<i>A. fertilissima</i>	15	15 30
	<i>Aulosira fertilissima</i>	30	30 60
	<i>W. prolifica</i>	30	30 60

Interference of RNA was eliminated by the treatment of DNase inactivated RNase at a final concentration of 10 µg/ml followed by an incubation of 1 h at 37°C. A final precipitation step in the extraction of DNA was carried out by addition of 2.5 volumes of ice-cold ethanol and keeping the content at -20°C overnight. After centrifugation the pellet was re-suspended in minimal volume of TE buffer.

### 2.3 Amplification of the 16S rDNA gene

PCR amplification was performed on purified DNA as per the method described by (Iteman et al., 2000). Amplification of the 16S rDNA gene was carried out by PCR using primers- 16s Forward Primer: 5'-AGAGTRTGATCMTYGCTWAC-3' and 16s Reverse Primer: 5'-CGYTAMCTTWTACGRCT-3'.

The PCR mixture contained: 10µl 10X Taq DNA polymerase assay buffer, 400 ng each primer, 4 µl dNTP mix, 1 µl of Taq polymerase enzyme, 1 µl template DNA and make up the total reaction volume to 100 µl with Milli Q water. All the reagents were of Chromous make, Bangalore, India.

Total reaction volume was 100 µl after an initial cycle consisting of 5 min at 94°C, 35 cycles of amplification were started (30s at 94°C, 30s at 55°C and 2 min at 72°C). The termination cycle was 5 min at 72°C. PCR reactions were carried out in Thermal Cycler ABI2720 and PCR products obtained were migrated in agarose gel, extracted and purified using GEL EXTRACTION SPIN-50 kit (Chromous, Bangalore). The purified DNA so obtained was collected in the tube and used for sequencing reactions.

### 2.4 Sequencing of the 16S rDNA gene

Purified products were quantified using Big Dye Terminator version 3.1, Cycle sequencing kit and run in ABI 3500 XL Genetic Analyzer with POP\_7 polymer 50 cm Capillary Array. The sequencer was loaded with BDTv3-KB-Denovo\_v 5.2 (analysis protocol) and Seq Scape\_v 5.2 (Data analysis software) and Applied Biosystem Micro Amp Optical 96-Well Reaction plate was used during the reaction.

### 3 Results

#### 3.1 Changes in 16S rDNA gene sequences under endosulfan stress

##### 3.1.1 *A. fertilissima*

It was noted that exposure of 6ppm endosulfan to the cells of *A. fertilissima* brought about significant changes in the 16S rDNA gene sequence of the cultures when compared to the control. Sequence similarity was carried out using BLAST. The programme confirmed 2% dissimilarity (1269/1290) and presence of 1% gap (9/1290) in sequences of 6ppm treated cultures, while 18% (954/1159) variation and gap of 7% (80/1159) was recorded when cultures were treated with 12ppm after 16 days. Differences in sequences as compared to control also reasoned the harmful effects of endosulfan on molecular functioning of the cells (Fig. 1a, b). Gaps created as a result of endosulfan stress are mostly elucidated in terms of formation of dimeric photoproducts, single strand breaks and double strand breaks, depurination or mismatching of nitrogen bases.

##### 3.1.2 *Aulosira fertilissima*

16S rDNA gene sequencing of *Aulosira fertilissima* in response to endosulfan expressed concentration dependent variation in the gene sequence. While treatment by 30ppm endosulfan reflected up to 98% similarity (916/939) in gene sequence as compared to control, highest concentration of endosulfan (60ppm) displayed as much as 17% (798/956) alteration in genetic composition of 16S rDNA gene after 16 days (Fig. 2a, b). BLAST analysis further revealed that 30ppm treatment expressed gaps up to 2% (22/939) in *Aulosira fertilissima* while 60ppm endosulfan revealed gaps up to 5% (45/956) after 16 days. Gaps occurred as a result of endosulfan stress established the injurious effects of the insecticide upon the genetic constitution of the organism. endosulfan generated several lesions such as mismatching of the bases, dimer formation, strand breakage, lack of hydrogen bonds etc. resulting in vast differences in the 16s rDNA sequence as compared to the control.

##### 3.1.3 *W. prolifica*

Treatment of *W. prolifica* with 20ppm endosulfan triggered a total difference of 19%, thus reflecting identity of 953/1170 and gap of 7% (85/1170) in 16S rDNA gene sequence, whereas 40ppm endosulfan further enhanced the impact of endosulfan on gene sequence dissimilarity by 20% (933/1170) and 7% (86/1170) gap towards the end of 16 days (Fig. 3a, b). Gaps created in the 16S rDNA sequence led to visible dissimilarities in the nucleotide sequence as compared to control. The gaps so formed are characteristics of instabilities in sequences of the treated samples, resulted due to improper purine-pyrimidine bonding, removal of purine or pyrimidine base from a strand, purine-purine or pyrimidine-pyrimidine pairing, addition of purine in place of a pyrimidine or vice-versa.

#### 3.2 Changes in 16S rDNA gene sequences under tebuconazole stress

##### 3.2.1 *A. fertilissima*

Sequencing studies carried out using 16S rDNA gene amplification and sequence comparison using BLAST ascertained that 15ppm tebuconazole inflicted only a 1% difference, thus having identities of 99% (1271/1274) and 0% gap (1/1274) in 16S rDNA gene pattern of *A. fertilissima*, while a treatment of 30ppm brought about a difference as high as 21%, reflecting 79% similarity (938/1190) and 8% (96/1990) gap in the nucleotide composition of 16S rDNA gene sequence after 16 days (Fig. 4a, b). Gaps, induced could be a result of dimer formation, purine-purine interaction or pyrimidine-pyrimidine interaction and other lesions.

##### 3.2.2 *Aulosira fertilissima*

Although 30ppm tebuconazole treatment did not bring about many changes in the gene pattern of *Aulosira fertilissima* even after 16 days, it was noted that 16S rDNA gene sequence varied by as much as 17% when treated by a concentration of 60ppm after 16 days. Hence, the entire identity thus amounted to 83% similarity (798/956). Moreover, a gap of 5% (45/956) was also recorded for treatment of 60ppm after 16 days (Fig. 5a, b).

Strand breakage under pesticide stress can contribute largely to incorrect arrangement of nucleotides in the 16S rDNA sequence leading to replacement of purines instead of pyrimidines and vice-versa.

### 3.2.3 *W. prolifica*

A difference of 19% leading to identities (948/1169) and 7% (85/1169) gap was observed in the nucleotide sequence of 16S rDNA gene when treated by 30ppm of tebuconazole after 16 days, while the difference further elevated to a total of 21% (935/1183) and a gap of 10% (116/1183) when treated with the maximum concentration of 60ppm after an interval of 16 days (Fig. 6a, b). The resultant gaps so formed may be a trait of mismatching of purines and pyrimidines, double strand or single strand breakage, or incorporation of incorrect nucleotide along with degradation of hydrogen bonds.

## 4 Discussion

Our findings clearly demonstrated that pesticide concentrations affecting cyanobacterial DNA and causing lethality to these microbes might be due to irreversible DNA damage. Friedberg et al., 2006 suggested that induction of DNA damage by a series of complex biochemical reactions as a result of chemicals, ionizing radiation, etc. tend to generate chain of single as well as double strand breaks and single strand gaps.

Among different types of damages, DNA double strand breaks (DSBs) are the most deleterious, since they affect both strands of DNA and can lead to loss of genetic material. DNA damage results in (i) misincorporation of bases during replication process, (ii) hydrolytic damage, which results in deamination of bases, depurination, and depyrimidination (Lindahl, 1993), (iii) oxidative damage (Valko et al., 2006; Halliwell and Gutteridge, 2007), and (iv) alkylating agents that may result in modified bases (Lindahl, 1993; Dizdaroglu, 1992). Moreover, Rastogi and Sinha (2011) stressed that a number of mutagenic and cytotoxic DNA lesions such as cyclobutane-pyrimidine dimers (CPDs), 6-4 photoproducts (6-4PPs), as well as DNA strand breaks so produced can alter the genome integrity and affect the normal life process of all organisms.

Lau et al. (2011) proposed that one of the most important protective defense mechanisms against such DNA damage could be the base excision repair (BER) pathway, which recognizes a wide range of DNA lesions.

These findings corroborate with our results thus explaining the occurrence of gaps, modified bases, dimer formation, mispairing of bases, depurination or depyrimidination etc. observed as a result of pesticide interaction with the cyanobacteria. Similarly, Viti et al. (2006) noted that chromate contamination affected the structure and diversity of the soil bacterial community. Bacterial strains isolated from the microcosm contaminated with highest concentration of chromate were identified by 16S rDNA gene sequencing. Kumar et al. (2004) substantiated damaging impact of ultraviolet-B radiation in causing damages to DNA of the cyanobacterium, *Anabaena* strain BT2 by PCR-based assays such as RAPD and rDNA amplification. While, template activity of UV-B-treated genomic DNA was drastically inhibited; there was no amplification in RAPD assay after prior exposure of DNA to UV-B for 60 min. While, only one band of approximately 400 bp was observed even after 60 min of exposure suggested that certain segment of DNA strand is resistant to UV-B effects, but amplification of rDNA was significantly inhibited following exposure of genomic DNA to UV-B. In addition, Nirmal Kumar et al. (2011) observed that RAPD profiles of pesticide treated species not only inhibited the template activity of genomic DNA but also led to the absence as well as generation of newer band patterns as compared to their respective controls. Moreover, rRNA amplification was also significantly inhibited following exposure of genomic DNA to 2,4-D ethyl ester and pencycuron.

**Fig. 1(a)** BLAST analysis between sequences of control and 6ppm endosulfan treated *Anabaena fertilissima* after 16 days.

Identities = 1269/1290 (98%), Gaps = 9/1290 (1%)

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**Fig. 1(b)** BLAST analysis between sequences of control and 12ppm endosulfan treated *Anabaena fertilissima* after 16 days.

Identities = 954/1159 (82%), Gaps = 80/1159 (7%)

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Sbjct 1115 CAATGGTGGTGACAGTGGGCAGCGAGACA-GCGATG-TCGAGCTAATCTCCA-AAAGCC- 1170
Query 1173 ATCTCAGTCCGGATTG-AGTCTGCAACTCGACTCCATGAAGTCGGAATCGCTAGTAATCG 1231
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Sbjct 1171 ATCTCAGTTCGGATTGCACTCTGCAACTCGAGTGCATGAAGTTGGAATCGCTAGTAATCG 1230
Query 1232 CAGATCA-GCATTGCTGCG 1249
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Sbjct 1231 CAGATCATGC-TTGCGGCG 1248

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**Fig. 2(a)** BLAST analysis between sequences of control and 30ppm endosulfan treated *Aulosira fertilissima* after 16 days.

Identities = 916/939 (98%), Gaps = 22/939 (2%)

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Query 29 GTCGAACGGCAGCACAGGAGAAGCTTGTCTCTGGGTGGCGAGTGGCGGACGGGTGAGGA 88
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Sbjct 22 GTCGAACGGCAGCACAGGAG-AGCTTGTCTCTGGGTGGCGAGTGGCGGACGGGTGAGGA 80
Query 89 ATACATCGGAATCTACCTTTTCGTGGGGGATAACGTAGGGAAACTTACGCTAATACCGCA 148
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Sbjct 81 ATACATCGGAATCTACCTTTTCGTGGGGGATAACGTAGGGAAACTTACGCTAATACCGCA 140
Query 149 TACGACCTACGGGTGAAAGTGGGGGACCGCAAGGCCTCACGCGATTAGATGAGCCGATGT 208
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Sbjct 141 TACGACCTACGGGTGAAAGTGGGGGACCGCAAGGCCTCACGCGATTAGATGAGCCGATGT 200
Query 209 CCGATTAGCTAGTTGGCGGGGTAATGGCCACCAAGGCGACGATCGGTAGCTGGTCTGAG 268
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Sbjct 201 CCGATTAGCTAGTTGGCGGGGTAATGGCCACCAAGGCGACGATCGGTAGCTGGTCTGAG 260

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Query	269	AGGATGATCAGCCACACTGGAAGTGGAGACACGGTCCAGACTCCTACGGGAGGCAGCAGTG	328
Sbjct	261	AGGATGATCAGCCACACTGGAAGTGGAGACACGGTCCAGACTCCTACGGGAGGCAGCAGTG	320
Query	329	GGGAATATTGGACAATGGGCGCAAGCCTGATCCAGCCATACCGGTGGGTGAAGAAGGCC	388
Sbjct	321	GGGAATATTGGACAATGGGCGCAAGCCTGATCCAGCCATACCGGTGGGTGAAGAAGGCC	380
Query	389	TTCGGGTTGTAAAGCCCTTTTGTGGGAAAGAAATCCTGTCGATTAATACTCGGTGGGGA	448
Sbjct	381	TTCGGGTTGTAAAGCCCTTTTGTGGGAAAGAAATCCTGTCGATTAATACTCGGTGGGGA	440
Query	449	TGACGGTACCCAAAGAATAAGCACCGGCTAACTTCGTGCCAGCAGCCGCGTAATACGAA	508
Sbjct	441	TGACGGTACCCAAAGAATAAGCACCGGCTAACTTCGTGCCAGCAGCCGCGTAATACGAA	500
Query	509	GGGTGCAAGCGTTACTCGGAATTACTGGGCGTAAAGCGTGCCTAGGTGGTGGTTTAAGTC	568
Sbjct	501	GGGTGCAAGCGTTACTCGGAATTACTGGGCGTAAAGCGTGCCTAGGTGGTGGTTTAAGTC	560
Query	569	TGCTGTGAAAGCCCTGGGCTCAACCTGGGAATTGCAGTGGATACTGGATCACTAGAGTGT	628
Sbjct	561	TGCTGTGAAAGCCCTGGGCTCAACCTGGGAATTGCAGTGGATACTGGATCACTAGAGTGT	620
Query	629	GGTAGAGGGATGCGGAATTTCTGGTGTAGCAGTGAATGCGTAGAGATCAGAAGGAACAT	688
Sbjct	621	GGTAGAGGGATGCGGAATTTCTGGTGTAGCAGTGAATGCGTAGAGATCAGAAGGAACAT	680
Query	689	CCGTGGCGAAGGCGGCATCCTGGGCCAACACTGACACTGAGGCACGAAAGCGTGGGGAGC	748
Sbjct	681	CCGTGGCGAAGGCGGCATCCTGGGCCAACACTGACACTGAGGCACGAAAGCGTGGGGAGC	740
Query	749	AAACAGGATTAGATACCC-TGGTAGTCCACGCCCTAAACGATGCGAACTGGATGTTGGGT	807
Sbjct	741	AAACAGGATTAGATACCCCTGGTAGTCCACGCCCTAAACGATGCGAACTGGATGTTGGGT	800
Query	808	GCAACTT-GG-CACCCAGTATCGAAGCTAACGCGTTAAGTT-CGCCCC-TGGGG-AGTA	862
Sbjct	801	GCAACTTGGGCACCCAGTATCGAAGCTAACGCGTTAAGTTTCGCCCCCTGGGGGAGTA	860

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Query 863 CCG-TCG-CAAGACTGAAACTCAAAGG-AATTG-ACGGGGG-CCCGCACAAGCGGT-GG- 915
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Sbjct 861 CGGGTCGTCAAGACTGAAACTCAAAGGGAATTGGACGGGGGGCCCGCACA-GCGGTTGGG 919
Query 916 -AGTATGTGG-TTTAATTC-GAT-GC-AACG-CGAAGAA 948
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Sbjct 920 GAGTATGTTGATTTAATTCCGATTGCCAACGGCGA-GAA 957

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**Fig. 2(b)** BLAST analysis between sequences of control and 60ppm endosulfan treated *Aulosira fertilissima* after 16 days.

Identities = 798/956 (83%), Gaps = 45/956 (5%)

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Query 448 ATGACGGTACCCAAAGAATAAGCACCGGCTAACTTCGTGCCAGCAGCCGCGTAATACGA 507
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Sbjct 401 ATGACGGTACCTGCAGAAGAAGCTGCGGCTAACTACGTGCCAGCAGCCGCGTAATACGT 460
Query 508 AGGGTGCAAGCGTTACTCGGAATTACTGGGCGTAAAGCGTGCGTAGGTGGTGGTTTAAAGT 567
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Sbjct 461 AGGCAGCAAGCGTTGTTTCGGAATTACTGGGCGTAAAGAGTGCGTAGGCGGTTGACTAAGT 520
Query 568 CTGCTGTGAAAGC-CCTGGGCTCAACCTGGGA-ATTGCAG-TGGATACTGGATCACTAGA 624
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Sbjct 521 TTGGTGTGAAATCTCC-CGGCTTAA-CTGGGAGGGTGC-GCCGAAAACCTGGTTGGCTAGA 577
Query 625 GTGTGGTAGAGGGAT-GCGGAATTTCTGGTGTAGCAGTGAATGCGTAGAGATCAGAAGG 683
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Sbjct 578 GTGTGGGAGAGGG-TAGTGAATTCCTGGTGTAGCGGTGAAATGCGTAGATATCAGGAGG 636
Query 684 AACATCC-GTGGCGAAGGCGGCAT-CCTGGGCCAACACTGACACTGAGGCACGAAAGCGT 741
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Sbjct 637 AACA-CCGGTGGTGTAGACGGC-TACCTGGACCATTACTGACGCTGAGGCACGAAAGCGT 694
Query 742 GGGGAGCAAACAGGATTAGATACCCTGGTAGTCCACGCCCTAAACGATGCGAACT-GGAT 800
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Sbjct 695 GGGGAGCAAACAGGATTAGATACCCTGGTAGTCCACGCCCTAAACAATGCAAACCTGG-T 753
Query 801 GTTGGGTGCAAC-TTGGCACCCAGTATCGAAGCTAACGCGTTAAGTTCGCCCGCTGGGGA 859
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Sbjct 754 GT-GCGCCCTTCATTGGGTGC--GTGCCGTAGCTAACGCGTTAAGTTTGCCGCTGGGGA 810

Query 860 GTACGGTCGCAAGACTGAAACTCAAAGGAATTGACGGGGGCCCGACAAGCGGTGGAGTA 919

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Sbjct 811 GTACGGTCGCAAGGCTGAAACTCAAAGGAATTGACGGGGGCCCGACAAGCGGTGGAGCA 870

Query 920 TGTGGTTTAATTCGATGCAACGCGAAGAACCTTACCTGGTCTTGACATCCACGGA--A-C 976

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Sbjct 871 TGTGGTTTAATTCGACGCAACGCGAAGAACCTTACCTGGGCTCGA-A-CGGCTGATCAAC 928

Query 977 TTTCC-AGAGATGGATTGGTGCCTTCGGGAACCGTG--AGAC-AGGTGCTGCATGGCTG 1031

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Sbjct 929 GATCGTAGAAAT--AC-GGTTACTCCGC-AAGGGGTTTCAGTCGAGGTGCTGCATGGCTG 984

Query 1032 TCGTCAGCTCGTGTCTGAGATGTTGGGTTAAGTCCCGCAACGAGCGCAACCCTTGTCCT 1091

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Sbjct 985 TCGTCAGCTCGTGTCTGAGATGTTGGGTTAAGTCCCGCAACGAGCGCAACCCTTGTCCT 1044

Query 1092 -TAGTTGCCAGCACGTAATGGTGGGAACTCTAAGGAGACCGCCGGTGACAAAACGGAGGA 1150

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Sbjct 1045 GT-GTTGCCATCATTTAGT--TGGGCACTCTCAGGAGACCGCCAGTGACAAACTGGAGGA 1101

Query 1151 AGGTGGGGATGACGTCAAGTCATCATGGCCCTTACGACCAGGGCTACACACGTACTACAA 1210

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Sbjct 1102 AGGTGGGGATGACGTCAAGTCATCATGGCCCTTTATGTCCAGGGCTACACACGTACTACAA 1161

Query 1211 TGGTGGGGACAG-AGGGCTGCAAACCCGCGAGGGTGAAGCAATCC-CAGAAACCCTATCT 1268

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Sbjct 1162 TGGCCGGTACAATACGAC-GCTAACCCGCGAGGGGAGCAAATCGGCAAAAACCGG-TCT 1219

Query 1269 CAGTCCGGATTGGAGTCTGCAACTCGACTCCATGAAG-TCGGAATCGCTAGTAATCGCAG 1327

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Sbjct 1220 CAGTTCGGATCGCAGGCTGCAACTCGCCTGCGTGAAGCT-GGAATCGCTAGTAATGGC-G 1277

Query 1328 -ATCAGCATTGCTGCGGTGAATACGTTCCCGGGCCTTGTACACACCGCCCGTCACA 1382

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Sbjct 1278 CATCAGCATGGC-GCCGTGAATACGTTCCCGGGCCTTGTACACACCGCCCGTCACA 1332

**Fig. 3(a)** BLAST analysis between sequences of control and 20ppm endosulfan treated *Westiellopsis prolifica* after 16 days.

Identities = 953/1170 (81%), Gaps = 85/1170 (7%)

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Query 68 AGATGAGCTCG-CGTCTGATTAGCTAGTTGGTGTGGTAA-GAGCGCACCAAGGCGACCAT 125
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Sbjct 116 AGATGAGC-CGATGTCGGATTAGCTAGTTGGCGGGTAATG-GCCCACCAAGGCGACGAT 173
Query 126 CAGTAGCTGGTCTGAGAGGATGATCAGCCCCACTGGGACTGAGACACGGCCAGACTCCT 185
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Sbjct 174 CGGTAGCTGGTCTGAGAGGATGATCAGCCACACTGGAAGTGAAGACACGGTCCAGACTCCT 233
Query 186 ACGGGAGGCAGCAGTGGGGAATTTCCG-CAATGGGCGAAAGCCTGACT-GAGCAATACC 243
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Sbjct 234 ACGGGAGGCAGCAGTGGGGAATATT-GGACAATGGGCGCAAGCCTGA-TCCAGCCATACC 291
Query 244 GCGTGAGG-GAGGAAGGCTCTT-GGTTGTAAA-CCTCTTTCTCAGG---G-AA----- 291
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Sbjct 292 GCGTG-GGTGAAGAAGGC-CTTCGGGTGTAAAGCC-CTTTGTTGGGAAAGAAATCCTG 348
Query 292 T--AATAA-A---GT---GA--A-GGTACCTGAGGAATAAGCATCGGCTAACTCCGTGC 338
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Sbjct 349 TCGATTAATACTCGGTGGGGATGACGGTACCCAAAGAATAAGCACCGGCTAACTTCGTGC 408
Query 339 CAGCAGCCGCGGTAATACGGAGGATGCAAGCGTTATC-CGGAATGATTGGGCGTAAAGCG 397
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Sbjct 409 CAGCAGCCGCGGTAATACGAAGGATGATGCGTTA-CTCGAATTACTGGGCGTAAAGCG 467
Query 398 TCCGAGGTGGCACTGTAAGTCTGCTGTAAAGAGCAAGGCTCAACCTTGTAAAGGCAGT 457
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Sbjct 468 TCGTAGGTGGTGGTTAAGTCTGCTGTGAAAGCCCTGGGCTCAACCTGGGAATTGCAGT 527
Query 458 GGAAACTACA-GAGCTAGAGTACGTTTCG-GGGCAGAG-GGAATTCCTGGTGTAGCGGTGA 514
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Sbjct 528 GGATACTGGATCA-CTAGAGTGTGGTGTAGAGG-A-TGCGGAATTTCTGGTGTAGCAGTGA 584
Query 515 AATGCGTAGAGATCAGGAA-GAACA-CCGGTGGCGAAAGC-GCTCTGCTAGGCCGTA-AC 570
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Sbjct 585 AATGCGTAGAGATCA-GAAGGAACATCC-GTGGCGAAGGCGGC-ATCCTGGGCC-AACAC 640
Query 571 TGACACTGAGGGACGAAAGC-TAGGGGAGCGAATGGGATTAGATACCCAGTAGTCCTA- 628
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Sbjct	641	TGACACTGAGGCACGAAAGCGT-GGGGAGCAAACAGGATTAGATACCCTGGTAGTCC-AC	698						
Query	629	GCCGTAAACGATG-GATACTAGGCGTGGCTTGTAT-CGACCCCG-AGCC-GTGCCGGAGC	684						
Sbjct	699	GCCCTAAACGATGCGA-ACT-GG-AT-G-TTGGGTGCAACTTGGCACCCAGTATCGAAGC	753						
Query	685	CAACGCGTTAAGTATC-CCGCCTGGGGAGTACGCACGCAAGTGTGAAACTCAAAGGAATT	743						
Sbjct	754	TAACGCGTTAAGT-TCGCCCTGGGGAGTACGGTCGCAAGACTGAAACTCAAAGGAATT	812						
Query	744	GACGGGGCCCGCACCAAGCGGTGGAGTATGTGGTTAATTTCGATGCAACGCGAAGAACCT	803						
Sbjct	813	GACGGGGCCCGCACCAAGCGGTGGAGTATGTGGTTAATTTCGATGCAACGCGAAGAACCT	872						
Query	804	TACCAAGACTTGACATGTCGCG-AATCTT-CTTGAAAGGGAA-GAGTGCCTTAGGGAGC-	859						
Sbjct	873	TACCTGGTCTTGACATC-CACGGAA-CTTTCAGAGATGGATTG-GTGCCTTCGGGAACC	929						
Query	860	GCGAACACAG-TGGTGCATGGCTGTCGTCAGCTCGTGTGAGATGTTGGGTAAAGTCC	918						
Sbjct	930	GTGAG-ACAGGTGCTGCATGGCTGTCGTCAGCTCGTGTGAGATGTTGGGTAAAGTCC	988						
Query	919	CGCAACGAGCGCAACCTCGTTTTTAGTTGCCAGCAT-TAAAT--TGGGCACTCTAGAG-	974						
Sbjct	989	CGCAACGAGCGCAACCTTGTCTTAGTTGCCAGCACGTAA-TGGTGGAACCTCTA-AGG	1046						
Query	975	AGACTGCCGGTGACAAACCGGAGGAAGGTGGGGATGACGTCAAGTCAGCATGCCCTTAC	1034						
Sbjct	1047	AGACC CGGTGACAAACCGGAGGAAGGTGGGGATGACGTCAAGTCATCATGGCCCTTAC	1106						
Query	1035	GTCTTGGGCTACACACGTAATAATGGTACGGACAGAGGGCAGCAAGCTAGCGATAGCA	1094						
Sbjct	1107	GACCAGGGCTACACACGTAATAATGGTGGGACAGAGGGCTGCAAACCCCGGAGGGTG	1166						
Query	1095	AGCAAATCCC-GTAAACCGTATCTCAGTTCAGATCGCAGTCTGCAACTCGCCTGCGTGAA	1153						
Sbjct	1167	AGCCAATCCCAG-AAACCTATCTCAGTCCGGATTGGAGTCTGCAACTCGACTCCATGAA	1225						
Query	1154	GGAGGAATCGCTAGTAATTGCAG-TCAGCA	1182						

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Sbjct 1226 GTCGGAATCGCTAGTAATCGCAGATCAGCA 1255

Fig. 3(b) BLAST analysis between sequences of control and 40ppm endosulfan treated Westiellopsis prolifica after 16 days.

Identities = 933/1170 (80%), Gaps = 86/1170 (7%)

Query 68 AGATGAGCTCG-CGTCTGATTAGCTAGTTGGTGTGGTAA-GAGCGCACCAAGGCGACCAT 125
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Sbjct 195 AGATGAGC-CGATGTCCGATTAGCTAGTTGGCGGGTAATG-GCCCACCAAGGCGACGAT 252

Query 126 CAGTAGCTGGTCTGAGAGGATGATCAGCCCCACTGGGACTGAGACACGGCCAGACTCCT 185
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Sbjct 253 CGGTAGCTGGTCTGAGAGGATGATCAGCCACACTGGAAGTGGTCCAGACTCCT 312

Query 186 ACGGGAGGCAGCAGTGGGAATTTCCG-CAATGGGCGAAAGCCTGACT-GAGCAATACC 243
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Sbjct 313 ACGGGAGGCAGCAGTGGGAATATT-GGACAATGGGCGCAAGCCTGA-TCCAGCCATACC 370

Query 244 GCGTGAGG-GAGGAAGGCTCTT-GGGTTGTAAA-CCTCTTTTCTCAGG---G-AA----- 291
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Sbjct 371 GCGTG-GGTGAAGAAGGC-CTTCGGGTTGTAAAGCC-CTTTTGTGGAAAGAAATCCTG 427

Query 292 T--AATAA-A---GT---GA--A-GGTACCTGAGGAATAAGCATCGGCTAACTCCGTGC 338
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Sbjct 428 TCGATTAATACTCGGTGGGATGACGGTACCCAAAGAATAAGCACCGGCTAACTTCGTGC 487

Query 339 CAGCAGCCGCGGTAATACGGAGGATGCAAGCGTTATC-CGGAATGATTGGGCGTAAAGCG 397
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Sbjct 488 CACCAGCCGCGGTAATACGAAGGGTGCAAGCGTTA-CTCGGAATTACTGGGCGTAAAGCG 546

Query 398 TCCGAGGTGGCACTGTAAGTCTGCTGTAAAGAGCAAGGCTCAACCTTGTAAGGCAGT 457
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Sbjct 547 TGCGTAGGTGGTGGTTAAGTCTGCTGTGAAAGCCCTGGGCTCAACCTGGGAATTGCAGT 606

Query 458 GGAAACTACA-GAGCTAGAGTACGTTCG-GGGCAGAG-GGAATTCCTGGTGTAGCGGTGA 514
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Sbjct 607 GGATACTGGATCA-CTAGAGTGTGGTAGAGGG-A-TGCGGAATTTCTGGTGTAGCAGTGA 663

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Query	515	AATGCGTAGAGATCAGGAA-GAACA-CCGGTGGCGAAAGC-GCTCTGCTAGGCCGTA-AC	570
Sbjct	664	AATGCGTAGAGATCA-GAACGAACATCC-GTGCGAATGCGGC-ATCCTGGGCC-AACAC	719
Query	571	TGACACTGAGGGACGAAAGC-TAGGGGAGCGAATGGGATTAGATACCCAGTAGTCCTA-	628
Sbjct	720	TGACACTGAGGCACGAAAGCGT-GTGGAGCAAACAGGATTACATACCCTGGTAGTCC-AC	777
Query	629	GCCGTAAACGATG-GATACTAGGCGTGGCTTGAT-CGACCCCG-AGCC-GTGCCGGAGC	684
Sbjct	778	GCCTTAAACGATGTGA-ACT-GG-AT-G-TTGGGTGCAACTTGGCACCCAGTATCGAAGA	832
Query	685	CAACGCGTTAAGTATC-CCGCCTGGGGAGTACGCACGCAAGTGTGAAACTCAAAGGAATT	743
Sbjct	833	TAACGCCATAAGT-TCGCCGCTGGGGAGTACGGTCGCAAGACTGAAACTCAAAGGAATT	891
Query	744	GACGGGGG-CCCGCACAAGCGGTGGAGTATGTGGTTTAATTCGATGCAACGCGAAGAACC	802
Sbjct	892	GA-GGGGGCCCCGCCAAGCGGTGGAGTAGGTGGTTAATTAGATGAAACGCGAAGACCC	950
Query	803	TTACCAAGACTTGACATGTCGGAATC-TTCTTGAAAGGGA-AGAGTGCCTTAGGGAGCG	860
Sbjct	951	TTCCCGGTCTTGACCT-CCACGGACCTTCCAGAGATGGATTG-GTTCCTTGGGAAC-	1007
Query	861	CG-AACACA-GTGGTGCATGGCTGTCGTCACTCGTGTGTGAGATGTTGGGTTAAGTCC	918
Sbjct	1008	CGTCAGACAGGTGATGCATGGCGTTGTTCAGCTCGTGTGAGATGTTGGGTTAAGTCC	1067
Query	919	CGCAACGAGCGCAACCCTCGTTTTAGTTGCCAGCA-TTAAAT--TGGGCACTCT-AGAG	974
Sbjct	1068	CGCAACGAGCGCAACCCTTGTCTTAGTTGCCAGCACGT-AATGGTGGGAACTCTAAG-G	1125
Query	975	AGACTGCCGGTGACAAACCGGAGGAAGGTGGGGATGACGTCAAGTCAAGTATGCCCTTAC	1034
Sbjct	1126	AGACCGCCGGTGACAAACCGGAGGAAGGTGGGGATGACGTCAAGTCAATCATGCCCCTTAC	1185
Query	1035	GTCTTGGGCTACACACGTA-TACAATGGTACGGACAGAGGGCAGCAAGCTAGCGATAGCA	1094
Sbjct	1186	GCCCAGGGCTACACACGTA-TACAATGGTGGGGACAGAGGGCTGCAACCCCGAGGGTG	1244

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Query 1095 AGCAAATCCC-GTAAACCGTATCTCAGTTCAGATCGCAGTCTGCAACTCGCCTGCGTGAA 1153
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Sbjct 1245 AGCCAATCCCAG-AAACCCTATCTCAGTCCGGATTGGAGTTTGCAACTTGACTCCATGAA 1303
Query 1154 GGAGGAATCGCTAGTAATTGCAG-TCAGCA 1182
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Sbjct 1304 GTCGGAATCGCTAGTAATCGCAGATCAGCA 1333
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**Fig. 4(a)** BLAST analysis between two sequences of untreated and 15ppm tebuconazole treated *Anabaena fertilissima* after 16 days.

Identities = 1271/1274 (99%), Gaps = 1/1274 (0%)

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Query 1 ATCGGAATCTACCTTTTCGTGGGGGATAACGTAGGGAAACTTACGCTAATACCGCATACG 60
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Sbjct 91 ATCGGAATCTACCTTTTCGTGGGGGATAACGTAGGGAAACTTACGCTAATACCGCATACG 150
Query 61 ACCTACGGGTGAAAGTGGGGGACCGCAAGGCCTCACGCGATTAGATGAGCCGATGTCCGA 120
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Sbjct 151 ACCTACGGGTGAAAGTGGGGGACCGCAAGGCCTCACGCGATTAGATGAGCCGATGTCCGA 210
Query 121 TTAGCTAGTTGGCGGGTAATGGCCACCAAGGCACGATCGGTAGCTGGTCTGAGAGGA 180
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Sbjct 211 TTAGCTAGTTGGCGGGTAATGGCCACCAAGGCACGATCGGTAGCTGGTCTGAGAGGA 270
Query 181 TGATCAGCCACACTGGAAGTGGGGGACCGCAAGGCCTCACGCGATTAGATGAGCCGATGTCCGA 240
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Sbjct 271 TGATCAGCCACACTGGAAGTGGGGGACCGCAAGGCCTCACGCGATTAGATGAGCCGATGTCCGA 330
Query 241 ATATTGGACAATGGGCGCAAGCCTGATCCAGCCATACCGCGTGGGTGAAGAAGGCCTTCG 300
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Sbjct 331 ATATTGGACAATGGGCGCAAGCCTGATCCAGCCATACCGCGTGGGTGAAGAAGGCCTTCG 390
Query 301 GGTGTAAAGCCCTTTTGTGGGAAAGAAATCCTGTCGATTAATACTCGGTGGGGATGAC 360
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Sbjct 391 GGTGTAAAGCCCTTTTGTGGGAAAGAAATCCTGTCGATTAATACTCGGTGGGGATGAC 450
Query 361 GGTACCCAAAGAATAAGCACCGGCTAACTTCGTGCCAGCAGCCGCGGTAATACGAAGGGT 420
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Sbjct 451 GGTACCCAAAGAATAAGCACCGCTAACTTCGTGCCAGCAGCCGCGGTAATACGAAGGGT 510

Query 421 GCAAGCGTTACTCGGAATTACTGGGCGTAAAGCGTGCCTAGGTGGTGGTTAAGTCTGCT 480

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Sbjct 511 GCAAGCGTTACTCGGAATTACTGGGCGTAAAGCGTGCCTAGGTGGTGGTTAAGTCTGCT 57

Query 481 GTGAAAGCCCTGGGCTCAACCTGGGAATTGCAGTGGATACTGGATCACTAGAGTGTGGTA 540

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Sbjct 571 GTGAAAGCCCTGGGCTCAACCTGGGAATTGCAGTGGATACTGGATCACTAGAGTGTGGTA 630

Query 541 GAGGGATGCGGAATTTCTGGTGTAGCAGTCAAATGCGTAGAGATCAGAAGGAACATCCGT 600

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Sbjct 631 GAGGGATGCGGAATTTCTGGTGTAGCAGTCAAATGCGTAGAGATCAGAAGGAACATCCGT 690

Query 601 GGCGAAGCGGCATCCTGGGCCAACACTGACACTGAGGCACGAAAGCGTGGGGAGCAAAC 660

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Sbjct 691 GGCGAAGCGGCATCCTGGGCCAACACTGACACTGAGGCACGAAAGCGTGGGGAGCAAAC 750

Query 661 AGGATTAGATACCCTGGTAGTCCACGCCCTAAACGATGCGAACTGGATGTTGGGTGCAAC 720

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Sbjct 751 AGGATTAGATACCCTGGTAGTCCACGCCCTAAACGATGCGAACTGGATGTTGGGTGCAAC 810

Query 721 TTGGCACCCAGTATCGAAGCTAACGCGTTAAGTTCGCCGCCTGGGGAGTACGGTCGCAAG 780

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Sbjct 811 TTGGCACCCAGTATCGAAGCTAACGCGTTAAGTTCGCCGCCTGGGGAGTACGGTCGCAAG 870

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Sbjct 871 ACTGAAACTCAAAGGAATTGACGGGGCCCGCACAAAGCGGTGGAGTATGTGGTTAATTC 930

Query 841 GATGCAACGCGAAGAACCTTACCTGGTCTTGACATCCACGGAACCTTCCAGAGATGGATT 900

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Sbjct 931 GATGCAACGCGAAGAACCTTACCTGGTCTTGACATCCACGGAACCTTCCAGAGATGGATT 990

Query 901 GGTGCCTTCGGGAACCGTGAGACAGGTGCTGCATGGCTGTCGTCAGCTCGTGTCTGAGA 960

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Sbjct 991 GGTGCCTTCGGGAACCGTGAGACAGGTGCTGCATGGCTGTCGTCAGCTCGTGTCTGAGA 1050

Query 961 TGTTGGGTTAAGTCCCGCAACGAGCGCAACCTTGTCTTAGTTGCCAGCACGTAATGGT 1020

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Sbjct 1051 TGTTGGGTAAAGTCCCGCAACGAGCGCAACCCCTTGTCTTAGTTGCCAGCACGTAATGGT 1110
Query 1021 GGGAACTCTAAGGAGACCGCCGGTGACAAACCGGAGGAAGGTGGGGATGACGTCAAGTCA 1080
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Sbjct 1111 GGGAACTCTAAGGAGACCGCCGGTGACAAACCGGAGGAAGGTGGGGATGACGTCAAGTCA 1170
Query 1081 TCATGGCCCTTACGACCAGGGCTACACACGTACTACAATGGTGGGGACAGAGGGCTGCAA 1140
      |||
Sbjct 1171 TCATGGCCCTTACGACCAGGGCTACACACGTACTACAATGGTGGGGACAGAGGGCTGCAA 1230
Query 1141 ACCCGCGAGGGTGAGCCAATCCCGAAACCCCTATCTCAGTCCGGATTG-AGTCTGCAACT 1199
      |||
Sbjct 1231 ACCCGCGAGGGTGAGCCAATCCCGAAACCCCTATCTCAGTCCGGATTGGAGTCTGCAACT 1290
Query 1200 CGACTCCATGAAGTCGGAATCGCTAGTAATCGCAGATCAGCATTGCTGCGGTGAATACGT 1259
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Sbjct 1291 CGACTCCATGAAGTCGGAATCGCTAGTAATCGCAGATCAGCATTGCTGCGGTGAATACGT 1350
Query 1260 TCCCGGCCTTGTA 1273
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Sbjct 1351 TCCCGGCCTTGTA 1364

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**Fig. 4(b)** BLAST analysis between two sequences of untreated and 30 ppm tebuconazole treated *Anabaena fertilissima* after 16 days.

Identities = 938/1190 (79%), Gaps = 96/1190 (8%)

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Query 115 GTCCGATTAGCTAGTTGGCGGGTAATGGCCACCAAGGCGACGATCGGTAGCTGGTCTG 174
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Sbjct 1265 GTCTGATTAAGTACTAGTTGGTGAGGTAATGGCTCACCAAGGCGACGATCAGTAGCTGGTCTG 1206
Query 175 AGAGGATGATCAGCCACACTGGAAGTGAAGACACGGTCCAGACTCCTACGGGAGGCAGCAG 234
      |||
Sbjct 1205 AAAGGATGATCAACCACATTGGGACTGAAACACGG-CCCCACTCCTACGGGAGGCAGCAG 1147
Query 235 TGGGGAATATGGACAATGGGCGCAAGCCTGATCCAGCCATACCGCGTGGGTGAAGAAGG 294
      |||
Sbjct 1146 TGGGGAATATGGACAATGGGCGCAAGCCTGATCCC-CCATGCCCGGTGAGTGTGAAGG 1088
Query 295 CCTTCGGGTTGTAAAGCCCTTTTGTGGGAAAGAAATCCTGTGCGATTAAT-ACTCGGTGG 353

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Sbjct	1087	CCTTAAGGTTGTAAAGCTCTTTTGTCCGG---GAA-----G---AT-AATGACT-G-T--	1044	
Query	354	GGATGACGGTACCCAAAGAATAAGCACCGGCTAACTTCGTGCCAGCAGCCCGGTAATAC	413	
Sbjct	1043	--AC--CGG-A---A--GAATAAGCCCCGGCTAACTTCGTGCCAGCAGCCCGGTAATAC	994	
Query	414	GAAGGGTGCAAGCGTTACTCGGAATTACTGGGCGTAAAGCGTGCCTAGGTGGTGGT-TTA	472	
Sbjct	993	CAAGGGGGCTAGCGTTGCTCGGAATCACTGGGCGTAAAGGGCGCTAAGCGGAC-TCTTA	935	
Query	473	AGTCTGCTGTGAAAGCCCTGGGCTCAACC-TGGGAATTGCAGTGGATACTGG-A-TCACT	529	
Sbjct	934	AGTCCGGGGTGAAAGCCCAGGGCTCAACCCTGG-AATTGCCTTCTATACTGGGAGTCT-T	877	
Query	530	AGAGTGT-GGTAGAGGGATGC-GGAATTTCTGGTGTAGCAGTAAAATGCGTAGAGAT-CA	586	
Sbjct	876	-GAGT-TCGGAAGAAGT-TGGTGGAAGTCCAGTGTAAAAGTAAAATTCCTAAATATTC-	821	
Query	587	G-AAGGAACATCC-GTGGCGAAGGCGGC-ATCCTGGGCCAACACTGACACTGAGGCACGA	643	
Sbjct	820	GCAAG-AACA-CCAGTGGCGAAGGCGGCCAAC-TGGTCCGATACTGACGCTGAAGCGCGA	764	
Query	644	AAGCGTGGGGAGCAAACAGGATTAGATACCCTGGTAGTCCACGCCCTAAACGATGCGAAC	703	
Sbjct	763	AAGCGTGGGGAGCAA-CAGGATTAGATACCCTGGTAGTCCACGCCGTAAACGATG--AA-	708	
Query	704	TGG-AT--GTGGGTGCAACTTGGCACC-CAGTATCGAAGCTAACCGGTTAAG--TTCGC	757	
Sbjct	707	TGCCAGCCGTTGGGTGCA--T-G-CACTTCAGTGGCGCAGCTAACGCTTTAAGCATTC-C	653	
Query	758	CGCCTGGGGAGTACGGTTCGCAAGACTGAAACTCAAAGGAATTGACGGGGGCCCGCACAAG	817	
Sbjct	652	-GCCTGGG-AGTACCCTCGCAAGATTAAAACCTCAAAGAAATGGACGGGGGCCCGCCAAG	595	
Query	818	CGGTGGAGTATGTGGTTTAATTTCGATGCAACGCGAAGAACCTTACCTGGTCTT-GACATC	876	
Sbjct	594	CGGTGGACCATGTGGTTTAATTGGAAGCAACGCGGACCCCTTCCAGC-CTTTGACATG	536	
Query	877	-CACGGA---ACTTCCAGAGATGGA-TTGGTGCCTT-CGG--GAACCGTGAG-ACAGGT	927	

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Sbjct  535  TC-CGGTTTGACAT-CCAGAGA-GGTCTTTCTTCATTTTCGGCTGG-CCG-GAACACAGGT  481
Query  928  GCTGCATGGCTGTCGTCAGCTCGTGTCTGTGAGATGTTGGGTTAAGTCCCAGCACGAGCGC  987
      | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
Sbjct  480  GCTGCATGGCTGTCGTCAGCTGGTTTCGTGAGATGTTGGGTTAAGTCCCAGCACGAGCGC  421
Query  988  AACCCCTTGCCTTAGTTGCCAGCACGTAATGGTGGGAAGTCTAAGGAGACCGCCGGTGAC  1047
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Sbjct  420  AACCCTCGCCCTTAGTTGCCTTCAT-TCA-GTTGGGAAGTTAGGGGGACTGCCGGTGAT  363
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Query  1048  AAACCG-GAGGAAGGTGGGGATGACGTCAAGTCATCATGGCCCTTACGACCAGGGCTACA  1106
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Sbjct  362  AAGCCGCGGGGAAGGGGGGAGGGTGCATGTCCTCATGCCCTTGCAGGGGGGCTACA  303
Query  1107  CACGTAATAACAATGGTGGGACAGA-GGGCTGC-AAACCCGCGAGGGT-GAGCCAATCCC  1163
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Sbjct  302  CACGTGCTACAATGGCGGTGACA-ATGGGCAGAGAAAAGG-GAGACC-TCGAGAAAATCCC  246
Query  1164  AGAAACCCATATCTCAGTCCGGATTGAGTCTG--CAACTCGACTCCATGAAGTCGGAATCG  1221
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Sbjct  245  AAAAAAGCCG-TCTCAGTTCAGATCGT-TCTGTGCAACTGGAGTACATGAAGGGGAAATCG  188
Query  1222  CTAGTAATCGCAGATCAGCATTGCTGCGGTGAATACGTTCCCGGCCTTG  1271
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Sbjct  187  CTTGTAATCGTGATCAGCAT-GCCACGGTGAATACGTTCCCGGCCTTG  139
  
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**Fig. 5(a)** BLAST analysis between two sequences of untreated and 30 ppm tebuconazole treated *Aulosira fertilissima* after 16 days.

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Identities = 1446/1446 (100%), Gaps = 0/1446 (0%)

Query  1  TAGGAGCCCGGCCAAAAACCTTGCAAGGTGCAACGGCAGCACAGGAGAAGCTTGCTCTC  60
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Sbjct  1  TAGGAGCCCGGCCAAAAACCTTGCAAGGTGCAACGGCAGCACAGGAGAAGCTTGCTCTC  60
Query  61  TGGGTGGCGAGTGGCGGACGGGTGAGGAATACATCGGAATCTACCTTTTCGTGGGGGATA  120
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Sbjct 61 TGGGTGGCGAGTGGCGGACGGGTGAGGAATACATCGGAATCTACCTTTTCGTGGGGGATA 120

Query 121 ACGTAGGGAAACTTACGCTAATACCGCATACGACCTACGGGTGAAAAGTGGGGGACCGCAA 180

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Sbjct 121 ACGTAGGGAAACTTACGCTAATACCGCATACGACCTACGGGTGAAAAGTGGGGGACCGCAA 180

Query 181 GGCCTCACGCGATTAGATGAGCCGATGTCCGATTAGCTAGTTGGCGGGGTAATGGCCAC 240

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Sbjct 181 GGCCTCACGCGATTAGATGAGCCGATGTCCGATTAGCTAGTTGGCGGGGTAATGGCCAC 240

Query 241 CAAGGCGACGATCGGTAGCTGGTCTGAGAGGATGATCAGCCACACTGGAAGTGGACACG 300

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Sbjct 241 CAAGGCGACGATCGGTAGCTGGTCTGAGAGGATGATCAGCCACACTGGAAGTGGACACG 300

Query 301 GTCCAGACTCCTACGGGAGGCAGCAGTGGGAATATGGAACAATGGGCGCAAGCCTGATC 360

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Sbjct 301 GTCCAGACTCCTACGGGAGGCAGCAGTGGGAATATGGAACAATGGGCGCAAGCCTGATC 360

Query 361 CAGCCATACCGCGTGGGTGAAGAAGGCCTTCGGGTGTAAAGCCCTTTTGTGGGAAAGA 420

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Sbjct 361 CAGCCATACCGCGTGGGTGAAGAAGGCCTTCGGGTGTAAAGCCCTTTTGTGGGAAAGA 420

Query 421 AATCCTGTCGATTAATACTCGGTGGGGATGACGGTACCCAAAGAATAAGCACCGGCTAAC 480

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Sbjct 421 AATCCTGTCGATTAATACTCGGTGGGGATGACGGTACCCAAAGAATAAGCACCGGCTAAC 480

Query 481 TTCGTGCCAGCAGCCGCGGTAATACGAAGGGTGCAAGCGTTACTCGGAATTACTGGGCGT 540

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Sbjct 481 TTCGTGCCAGCAGCCGCGGTAATACGAAGGGTGCAAGCGTTACTCGGAATTACTGGGCGT 540

Query 541 AAAGCGTGCCTAGGTGGTGGTTAAGTCTGCTGTGAAAGCCCTGGGCTCAACCTGGGAAT 600

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Sbjct 541 AAAGCGTGCCTAGGTGGTGGTTAAGTCTGCTGTGAAAGCCCTGGGCTCAACCTGGGAAT 600

Query 601 TGCAGTGGATACTGGATCACTAGAGTGTGGTAGAGGGATGCGGAATTTCTGGTGTAGCAG 660

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Sbjct 601 TGCAGTGGATACTGGATCACTAGAGTGTGGTAGAGGGATGCGGAATTTCTGGTGTAGCAG 660

Query 661 TGAAATGCGTAGAGATCAGAAGGAACATCCGTGGCGAAGGCGGCATCCTGGGCCAACACT 720

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Sbjct 661 TGAAATGCGTAGAGATCAGAAGGAACATCCGTGGCGAAGGCGGCATCCTGGGCCAACACT 720  
Query 721 GAACTGAGGCACGAAAGCGTGGGGAGCAAACAGGATTAGATACCCTGGTAGTCCACGCC 780  
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Sbjct 721 GAACTGAGGCACGAAAGCGTGGGGAGCAAACAGGATTAGATACCCTGGTAGTCCACGCC 780  
Query 781 CTAAACGATGCGAACTGGATGTTGGGTGCAACTTGGCACCCAGTATCGAAGCTAACGCGT 840  
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Sbjct 781 CTAAACGATGCGAACTGGATGTTGGGTGCAACTTGGCACCCAGTATCGAAGCTAACGCGT 840  
Query 841 TAAGTTCGCCGCCTGGGGAGTACGGTCGCAAGACTGAAACTCAAAGGAATTGACGGGGC 900  
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Sbjct 841 TAAGTTCGCCGCCTGGGGAGTACGGTCGCAAGACTGAAACTCAAAGGAATTGACGGGGC 900  
Query 901 CCGCACAAGCGGTGGAGTATGTGGTTAATTCGATGCAACGCGAAGAACCCTTACCTGGTC 960  
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Sbjct 901 CCGCACAAGCGGTGGAGTATGTGGTTAATTCGATGCAACGCGAAGAACCCTTACCTGGTC 960  
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Sbjct 961 TTGACATCCACGGAACCTTCCAGAGATGGATTGGTGCCTTCGGGAACCGTGAGACAGGTG 1020  
Query 1021 CTGCATGGCTGTCGTGCTCAGCTCGTGTGCTGAGATGTTGGGTTAAGTCCCGCAACGAGCGCA 1080  
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Sbjct 1021 CTGCATGGCTGTCGTGCTCAGCTCGTGTGCTGAGATGTTGGGTTAAGTCCCGCAACGAGCGCA 1080  
Query 1081 ACCCTGTCTTGTAGTTGCCAGCACGTAATGGTGGGAACTCTAAGGAGACCGCCGGTGACA 1140  
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Sbjct 1081 ACCCTGTCTTGTAGTTGCCAGCACGTAATGGTGGGAACTCTAAGGAGACCGCCGGTGACA 1140  
Query 1141 AACCGGAGGAAGGTGGGGATGACGTCAAGTCATCATGGCCCTTACGACCAGGGCTACACA 1200  
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Sbjct 1141 AACCGGAGGAAGGTGGGGATGACGTCAAGTCATCATGGCCCTTACGACCAGGGCTACACA 1200  
Query 1201 CGTACTACAATGGTGGGGACAGAGGGCTGCAAACCCGCGAGGGTGAGCCAATCCAGAAA 1260  
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Sbjct 1201 CGTACTACAATGGTGGGGACAGAGGGCTGCAAACCCGCGAGGGTGAGCCAATCCAGAAA 1260  
Query 1261 CCCTATCTCAGTCCGGATTGGAGTCTGCAACTCGACTCCATGAAGTCGGAATCGCTAGTA 1320  
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Sbjct 1261 CCCTATCTCAGTCCGGATTGGAGTCTGCAACTCGACTCCATGAAGTCGGAATCGCTAGTA 1320
Query 1321 ATCGCAGATCAGCATTGCTGCGGTGAATACGTTCCCGGGCCTTGACACACCGCCCGTCA 1380
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Sbjct 1321 ATCGCAGATCAGCATTGCTGCGGTGAATACGTTCCCGGGCCTTGACACACCGCCCGTCA 1380
Query 1381 CACCATGGGAGTTTGTGTCACCAGAAGCAGGTAGCTTAACCTTCGGGGAGGCCCGGTTTG 1440
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Sbjct 1381 CACCATGGGAGTTTGTGTCACCAGAAGCAGGTAGCTTAACCTTCGGGGAGGCCCGGTTTG 1440
Query 1441 CCCCAG 1446
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Sbjct 1441 CCCCAG 1446
    
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**Fig. 5(b)** BLAST analysis between two sequences of untreated and 60 ppm tebuconazole treated *Aulosira fertilissima* after 16 days.

Identities = 798/956 (83%), Gaps = 45/956 (5%)

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Query 448 ATGACGGTACCCAAAGAATAAGCACCGGCTAACTTCGTGCCAGCAGCCCGGTAATACGA 507
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Sbjct 397 ATGACGGTACCTGCAGAAGAAGCTGCGGCTAACTACGTGCCAGCAGCCCGGTAATACGT 456
Query 508 AGGGTGAAGCGTTACTCGGAATTACTGGGCGTAAAGCGTGCCTAGGTGGTGGTTTAAAGT 567
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Sbjct 457 AGGCAGCAAGCGTTGTTTCGGAATTACTGGGCGTAAAGAGTGCCTAGGCGGTTGACTAAGT 516
Query 568 CTGCTGTGAAAGC-CCTGGGCTCAACTGGGA-ATTGCAG-TGGATACTGGATCACTAGA 624
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Sbjct 517 TTGGTGTGAAATCTCC-CGGCTTAA-CTGGGAGGGTGC-GCCGAAAAGTGGTTGGCTAGA 573
Query 625 GTGTGGTAGAGGGAT-GCGGAATTTCTGGTGTAGCAGTGAATGCGTAGAGATCAGAAGG 683
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Sbjct 574 GTGTGGGAGAGGG-TAGTGAATTCCTGGTGTAGCGGTGAAATGCGTAGATATCAGGAGG 632
Query 684 AACATCC-GTGGCGAAGGCGGCAT-CCTGGGCCAACACTGACACTGAGGCACGAAAGCGT 741
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Sbjct 633 AACA-CCGGTGGTGTAGACGGC-TACCTGGACCATTACTGACGCTGAGGCACGAAAGCGT 690
Query 742 GGGGAGCAAACAGGATTAGATACCCTGGTAGTCCACGCCCTAAACGATGCGAACT-GGAT 800
    
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Sbjct 691 GGGGAGCAAACAGGATTAGATACCCTGGTAGTCCACGCCCTAAACAATGCAAACCTGG-T 749
Query 801 GTTGGGTGCAAC-TTGGCACCCAGTATCGAAGCTAACGCGTTAAGTTCGCCCGCTGGGGA 859

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Sbjct 750 GT-GCGCCCTTCATTGGGTGC--GTGCCGTAGCTAACGCGTTAAGTTTGCCCGCTGGGGA 806
Query 860 GTACGGTCGCAAGACTGAAACTCAAAGGAATTGACGGGGGCCCGCACAAGCGGTGGAGTA 919

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Sbjct 807 GTACGGTCGCAAGGCTGAAACTCAAAGGAATTGACGGGGGCCCGCACAAGCGGTGGAGCA 866
Query 920 TGTGGTTTAATTTCGATGCAACGCGAAGAACCTTACCTGGTCTTGACATCCACGGA--A-C 976

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Sbjct 867 TGTGGTTTAATTTCGACGCAACGCGAAGAACCTTACCTGGGCTCGA-A-CGGCTGATCAAC 924
Query 977 TTTCC-AGAGATGGATTGGTGCCTTCGGGAACCGTG--AGAC-AGGTGCTGCATGGCTG 1031

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Sbjct 925 GATCGTAGAAAT--AC-GGTTACTCCGC-AAGGGGGTTCAGTCGAGGTGCTGCATGGCTG 980
Query 1032 TCGTCAGCTCGTGTCTGAGATGTTGGGTTAAGTCCC GCAACGAGCGCAACCCTTGTCT 1091

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Sbjct 981 TCGTCAGCTCGTGTCTGAGATGTTGGGTTAAGTCCC GCAACGAGCGCAACCCTTGTCT 1040
Query 1092 -TAGTTGCCAGCACGTAATGGTGGAACTCTAAGGAGACCGCCGGTGACAAAACCGGAGGA 1150

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Sbjct 1041 GT-GTGGCCATCATTAGT--TGGGCACTCTCAGGAGACCGCCAGTGACAAACTGGAGGA 1097
Query 1151 AGGTGGGGATGACGTCAAGTCATCATGGCCCTTACGACCAGGGCTACACACGTACTACAA 1210

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Sbjct 1098 AGGTGGGGATGACGTCAAGTCATCATGGCCCTTATGTCCAGGGCTACACACGTACTACAA 1157
Query 1211 TGGTGGGGACAG-AGGGCTGCAAACCCGCGAGGGTGAGCCAATCC-CAGAAAACCTATCT 1268

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Sbjct 1158 TGGCCGGTACAATACGAC-GCTAACCCGCGAGGGGAGCAAATCGGCAAAAACCGG-TCT 1215
Query 1269 CAGTCCGGATTGGAGTCTGCAACTCGACTCCATGAAG-TCGGAATCGCTAGTAATCGCAG 1327

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Sbjct 1216 CAGTTCGGATCGCAGGCTGCAACTCGCTGCGTGAAGCT-GGAATCGCTAGTAATGGC-G 1273
Query 1328 -ATCAGCATTGCTGCGGTGAATACGTTCCCGGGCCTGTACACACCGCCCGTCACA 1382

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Sbjct 1274 CATCAGCATGGC-GCCGTGAATACGTTCCCGGGCCTTGACACACCGCCCGTCACA 1328

Fig. 6(a) BLAST analysis between two sequences of untreated and 30 ppm tebuconazole treated Westiellopsis prolifica after 16 days.
Identities = 948/1169 (81%), Gaps = 85/1169 (7%)

Query 70 ATGAGCTCG-CGTCTGATTAGCTAGTTGGTGTGGT-AAGAGCGCACCAAGGCGACCATCA 127
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Sbjct 221 ATGAGC-CGATGTCGGATTAGCTAGTTGGCGGGTAAAG-GCCCACCAAGGCGACGATCC 278

Query 128 GTAGCTGGTCTGAG-AGGATGAT-CAGCCCCACTGGGACTGAGACACGGCCAGACTCCT 185
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Sbjct 279 GTAGCTGGTCTGAGTTTTAAATGGAGCCACACTGGAAGTGAACACGGTCCAGACTCCT 338

Query 186 ACGGGAGGCAGCAGTGGGAATTTCCG-CAATGGGCGAAAGCCTGACT-GAGCAATACC 243
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Sbjct 339 ACGGGAGGCAGCAGCGGGGAATATT-GGACAATGGGCGCAAGCCTGA-TCCAGCCATACC 396

Query 244 GCGTGAGG-GAGGAAGGCTCTT-GGGTTGTAAG-CTCTTTTCTCAGG---G-AAT--A- 293
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Sbjct 397 GCGTG-GGTGAAGAAGGC-CTTCGGGTTGTAAAGCC-CTTTTGTGGAAAGAAATCCAG 453

Query 294 ----ATAA-A---G-T--GA--A-GGTACCTGAGGAATAAGCATCGGCTAACTCCGTGC 338
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Sbjct 454 CTGGTTAATACCCGTTGGGATGACGGTACCCAAAGAATAAGCACCGGCTAACTTCGTGC 513

Query 339 CAGCAGCCGCGGTAATACGGAGGATGCAAGCGTTATC-CGGAATGATTGGGCGTAAAGCG 397
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Sbjct 514 CAGCAGCCGCGGTAATACGAAGGGTGCAAGCGTTA-CTCGGAATTACTGGGCGTAAAGCG 572

Query 398 TCCGCAGGTGGCAC-TGTAAGTCTGCTGTTAAAGAGCAAGGCTCAACCTTGTAAGGCAG 456
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Sbjct 573 TGCCTAGGTGG-TCGTTTAAGTCCGTTGTGAAAGCCCTGGGCTCAACCTGGGAAGTGCAG 631

Query 457 TGGAAACTACAGAG-CTAGAGTACGTTTCG-GGGCAGAGGGAATTCCTGGTGTAGCGGTGA 514
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Query	515	AATGCGTAGAGATCAGGAAGAACA-CCGGTGGCGAAAGC-GCTCTGCTAGG-CCGTAAC-	570
Sbjct	690	AATGCGTAGAGATCAGGAGGAACATCC-ATGGCGAAGGCAGCT-ACCT-GGACC--AACA	744
Query	571	-TGACACTGAGGGACGAAAGC-TAGGGGAGCGAATGGGATTAGATACCCAGTAGTCCTA	628
Sbjct	745	TTGACACTGAGGCACGAAAGCGT-GGGGAGCAAACAGGATTAGATACCCCTGGTAGTCC-A	802
Query	629	-GCCGTAAACGATG-GATACTAGGCGTGGCTTGTAT-CGACCCCG-A-GCCGTGCCGGAG	683
Sbjct	803	CGCCCTAAACGATGCGA-ACT-GG-AT-G-TTGGGTGCAATTTGGCACGCAGTATCGAAG	857
Query	684	CCAACGCGTTAAGTATC-CCGCCTGGGGAGTACGCACGCAAGTGTGAAACTCAAAGGAAT	742
Sbjct	858	CTAACGCGTTAAGT-TCGCCGCCTGGGGAGTACGGTCGCAAGACTGAAACTCAAAGGAAT	916
Query	743	TGACGGGGGCCCGCACAAAGCGGTGGAGTATGTGGTTTAATTCGATGCAACGCGAAGAACC	802
Sbjct	917	TGACGGGGGCCCGCACAAAGCGGTGGAGTATGTGGTTTAATTCGATGCAACGCGAAGAACC	976
Query	803	TTACCAAGACTTGACATGTCGGAATCTT-CTTGAAAGGGAA-GAGTGCCTTAGGGAGCG	860
Sbjct	977	TTACTGGCCTTGACATGTCGAGAA-CTTCCAGAGATGGATTG-GTGCCTTCGGGAACT	1034
Query	861	CGAACACAG-TGGTGCATGGCTGTCGTCAGCTCGTGTCTGAGATGTTGGGTTAAGTCCC	919
Sbjct	1035	CGAACACAGGTGCTGCATGGCTGTCGTCAGCTCGTGTCTGAGATGTTGGGTTAAGTCCC	1094
Query	920	GCAACGAGCGCAACCCTCGTTTTTAGTTGCCAGCAT-TAAAT--TGGGCACTCTAGAG-A	975
Sbjct	1095	GCAACGAGCGCAACCCTTGCCTTAGTTGCCAGCACGTAA-TGGTGGGAACTCTA-AGGA	1152
Query	976	GACTGCCGGTGACAAACCGGAGGAAGGTGGGGATGACGTCAAGTCAGCATGCCCTTACG	1035
Sbjct	1153	GACCCCGGTGACAAACCGGAGGAAGGTGGGGATGACGTCAAGTCATCATGGCCCTTACG	1212
Query	1036	TCTTGGGCTACACACGTAATAATGGTACGGACAGAGGGCAGCAAGCTAGCGATAGCAA	1095
Sbjct	1213	GCCAGGGCTACACACGTAATAATGGTACGGACAGAGGGCTGCAAGCCGGCGACGGTAA	1272

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Query 1096 GCAAATCCC-GTAAACCGTATCTCAGTTCAGATCGCAGTCTGCAACTCGCCTGCGTGAAG 1154
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Query 1155 GAGGAATCGCTAGTAATTGCAG-TCAGCA 1182
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Sbjct 1332 TCGGAATCGCTAGTAATCGCAGATCAGCA 1360
    
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**Fig. 6(b)** BLAST analysis between two sequences of untreated and 60 ppm tebuconazole treated *Westiellopsis prolifica* after 16 days.

Identities = 935/1183 (79%), Gaps = 116/1183 (10%)

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Query 68 AGATGAG-CTCGCTCTGATTAGCTAGTTGGTGTGGTAA-GAGCGACCAAGGCGACCAT 125
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Sbjct 179 AGATGAGCCTAG-GTCGGATTAGCTAGTTGGTGGGTAATG-GCTCACCAAGGCGACGAT 236
Query 126 CAGTAGCTGGTCTGAGAGGATGATCAGCCCCACTGGGACTGAGACACGGCCAGACTCCT 185
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Sbjct 237 CCGTAACTGGTCTGAGAGGATGATCAGTCCACTGGAACTGAGACACGGTCCAGACTCCT 296
Query 186 ACGGGAGGCAGCAGTGGGGAATTTCCG-CAATGGGCGAAAGCCTGACT-GAGCAATACC 243
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Sbjct 297 ACGGGAGGCAGCAGTGGGGAATATT-GGACAATGGGCGAAAGCCTGA-TCCAGCCATGCC 354
Query 244 GCGTGAGGGAGGAAGGCTCTT-GGGTTGTAAA-C-CTCTT---TT----CTCAGGG-AAT 292
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Sbjct 355 GCGTGTTGAAGAAGG-TCTTCGGATTGTAAAGCACT-TTAAGTTGGGAGGAAGGGCAGT 412
Query 293 AA--TAA-A-----G---TGAAGTACCTGA-GGAATAAGCATCGGCTAACTCCGTGC 338
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Sbjct 413 AAGCTAATACCTTGCTGTTTTGACGTTACC-GACAGAATAAGCACCGGCTAACTCTGTGC 471
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