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## **Title**

**An investigation of Antagonistic affects of Soilborne Actinomycetes  
against Citrus Gommusis *in vitro* and *in vivo* in Kerman**

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## Abstract

In this research was activity of biocontrol of Gommusis Citrus investigated with Actinomycetes. firstly, seventy isolates Fungi of the genus *Phytophthora* were isolated from disease plants. colony morphology, growth rates, features of sexual and asexual structure and maximum growth temperatures were examined. finally *Phytophthora parasitica* and *P. citrophthora* were consistently associated with Citrus Gommusis in Kerman Province. the antagonistic activity of 200 soil Actinomycete isolates assayed against *Phytophthora parasitica* and *Phytophthora citrophthora* in Kerman Province. Among all Actinomycetes, strains of 19 and 29 showed high level of activity in Agar disk and Well-diffusion methods. Both isolates was grown in submerged cultures for determination of growth curve and preparation of crude extract for further biological characterizations. strain 19 and strain 29, activity reached maximum at 9 days in rotary cultures. pH ranges 6-11 was most suitable for maximum performance of activity in Both isolates. strain 19 and strain 29 thermal inactivation points of activity of crude extracts were 150 and 100 °C respectively. In both isolates, the active substance was water soluble but insoluble in chloroform. Minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) of the crude extracts were 0.62 mg/ml for Both isolates. Longevity *In Vitro* (LIV) of active crudes in soluble state at room temperature were about 150 days and 90 days for strain 19 and strain 29 respectively. Antifungal activity was fungicidal type on the pathogen mycelia in both strains. results of Analysis of variance by Duncan's Multiple Range test in Factoriel experimental design showed treatments were significantly different at level 5%. The investigation Greenhouse showed effects of four treatments pathogen, pathogen by antagonist, antagonist and control on high and dry wet root seedlings and length, wide leaves were significantly different at level 0.05% in completely randomized experimental design. Strin 19 on high and dry wet root seedlings and lenth leaves isolate and Strin 29 on wide leaves were most effective. From the results of our studies it is clear that usage of strain 19 and 29 as a biofungicidal natural product for application as an amendment in greenhouse soil mix inhibits or reduces the pathogen adverse effects. Antagonistic activity of two isolates confirm activity of biocontrol of both isolate 19 and 29 in Greenhouse experiments.

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