

Identification and characterization of three chitinases with potentials in direct conversion of crystalline chitin into *N,N'*-diacetylchitobiose

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Table S1 General information of 26 type strains of *Pseudoalteromonas*.

Strain	Isolation source	Region	Reference
<i>P. agarivorans</i> DSM 14585 ^T	Ascidians	Pacific Ocean	1
<i>P. aliena</i> DSM 16473 ^T	Seawater	Sea of Japan	2
<i>P. arctica</i> DSM 18437 ^T	Seawater	Arctic	3
<i>P. aurantia</i> DSM 6057 ^T	Seawater	Nice, France	4
<i>P. carrageenovora</i> DSM 6820 ^T	Seaweed	Japan	5
<i>P. citrea</i> DSM 8771 ^T	Seawater	Mediterranean Sea near Nice	6
<i>P. espejiana</i> DSM 9414 ^T	Seawater	the coast of Northern California, U.S.	7
<i>P. flavipulchra</i> DSM 14401 ^T	Seawater	Nice, France	8
<i>P. issachenkonii</i> DSM 15925 ^T	Brown alga	Pacific Ocean	9
<i>P. lipolytica</i> JCM 15903 ^T	Seawater	the Yangtze River estuary , China	10
<i>P. luteoviolacea</i> DSM 6061 ^T	Seawater	Nice, France	11
<i>P. marina</i> DSM 17587 ^T	Seawater	East Sea in Korea	12
<i>P. mariniglutinosa</i> DSM 15203 ^T	Diatom	Marseille Gulf	13
<i>P. nigrifaciens</i> DSM 8810 ^T	Mussels	Sea of Japan	14
<i>P. paragorgicola</i> DSM 26439 ^T	Gorgonian	Pacific Ocean	15
<i>P. peptidolytica</i> DSM 14001 ^T	Seawater	Sea of Japan	16
<i>P. phenolica</i> JCM 21460 ^T	Seawater	Ogasawara Island, Japan	17
<i>P. piscicida</i> JCM 20779 ^T	Red tide waters	southwest coast of Florida, U.S.	18
<i>P. prydzensis</i> DSM 14232 ^T	Sea ice	Antarctica	19
<i>P. rubra</i> DSM 6842 ^T	Seawater	Mediterranean, Nice, France	20
<i>P. spongiae</i> JCM 12884 ^T	Sponge	Hong Kong waters, China	21
<i>P. tetraodonis</i> DSM 9166 ^T	Puffer fish	Japan	22
<i>P. translucida</i> DSM 14402 ^T	Seawater	Sea of Japan	15
<i>P. tunicata</i> DSM 14096 ^T	Tunicate	western coast of Sweden	23
<i>P. ulvae</i> DSM 15557 ^T	Marine alga	Australia	24
<i>P. undina</i> DSM 6065 ^T	Seawater	the coast of Northern California, U.S.	7

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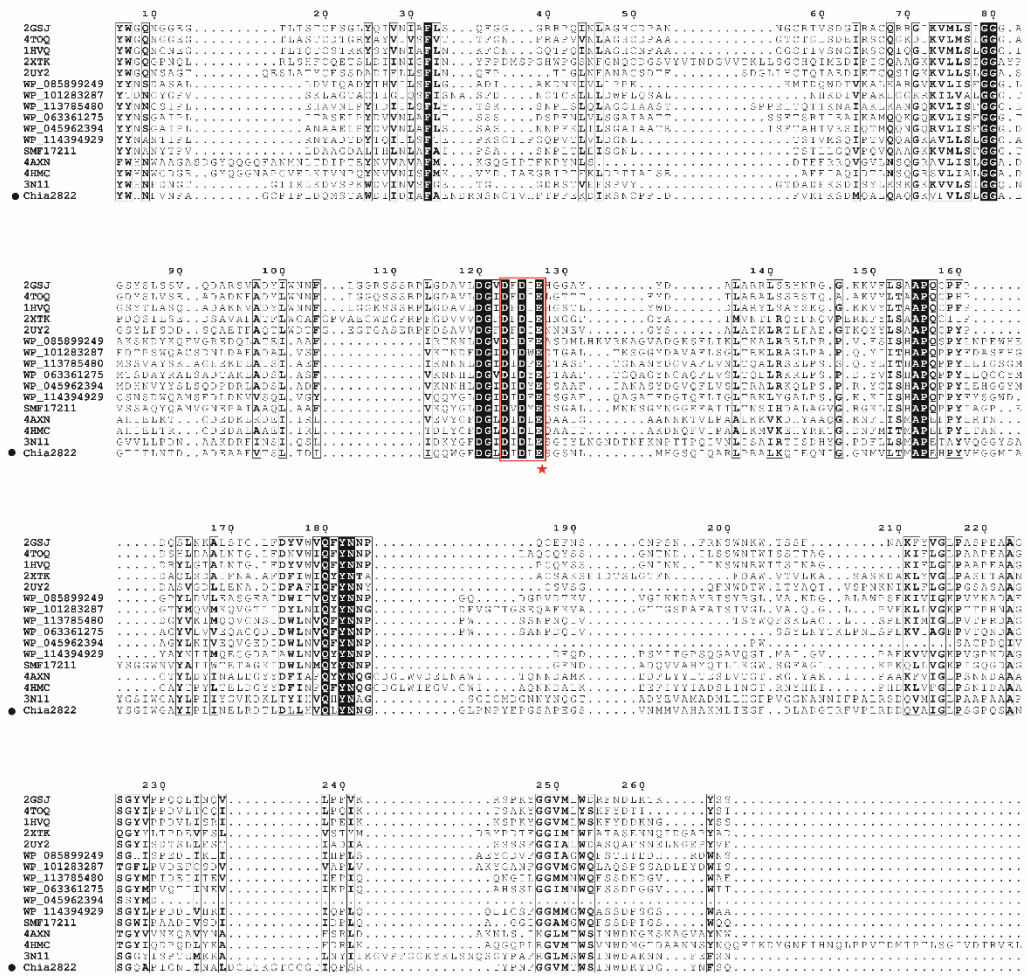


Figure S1. Multiple sequence alignments of Chib0431, Chib0434, Chia2827 and Chia2822 with known GH18 chitinases. The conserved catalytic motif (DxDxE) in GH18 chitinases is indicated by red boxes. (A) The alignments of Chib0431, Chib0434, Chia2827 with known GH18A subfamily chitinases. (B) The alignments of Chia2822 with known GH18B subfamily chitinases.

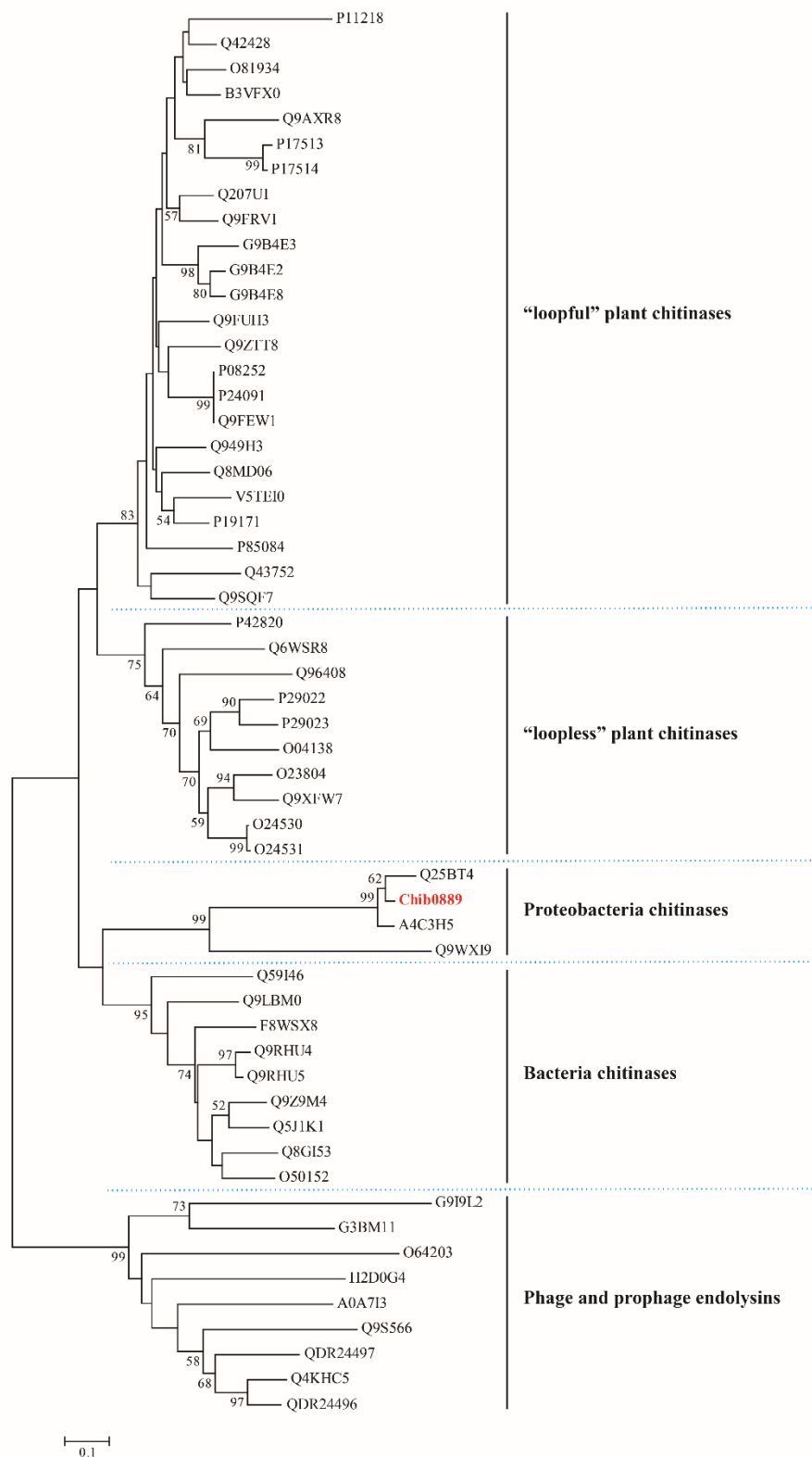


Figure S2. Phylogenetic analysis of Chib0889 with other GH19 chitinases. The phylogenetic tree was constructed by the Neighbor-Joining method. Bootstrap analysis of 1,000 replicates was conducted.

Table S2 Purification of the recombinant enzymes Chib0431, Chib0434 and Chia4287.

Enzyme	Purification step	Total volume (mL)	Protein concentration (mg/mL)	Enzyme activity (U/mL) ^a	Total activity (U)	Specific activity (U/mg)	Purification fold ^b	Yield (%) ^c
Chib0431	Cell extract	137	3.21	0.012	1.64	0.004	1	100
	Affinity chromatography	3.5	3.25	0.087	0.30	0.027	6.75	18.29
Chib0434	Cell extract	120	4.60	0.015	1.80	0.003	1	100
	Affinity chromatography	3.5	0.96	0.015	0.05	0.016	5.33	2.78
Chia4287	Cell extract	90	9.05	0.086	7.74	0.010	1	100
	Affinity chromatography	3.5	12.67	0.926	3.24	0.073	7.30	41.86

^a Enzyme activity was measured with chitin powder as the substrate.

^b (Ratio of the specific activity after purification to that of the cell extract.

^c Percentage of total activity recovered after purification compared with that of the cell extract.

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