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Pasteurella multocida is a Gram-negative bacterium, which is the causative agent of a wide range of diseases in animals. This organism usually resides in the mucous membrane of the intestinal, genital and respiratory tissues and is an opportunistic pathogen that causes fowl cholera, bovine haemorrhagic septicaemia and porcine atrophic rhinitis. So far, only complete genome of *P. multocida* serotype A:3 strain *Pm70* has been elucidated. This study was conducted to sequence the genome of *P. multocida* serotype B:2 strain *PMTB* and to compare with the complete genome of *Pm70*.

A total of 7.2 million sequence reads were generated from Illumina Genome Analyzer. *De novo* sequence assembly followed by comparison with *Pm70* reference sequence produced a partial near-complete genome of *PMTB* with missing nucleotide sequences located in 81 gaps. The partial genome of *P. multocida* strain *PMTB* is 97.78% identical to *Pm70*. The estimated size of the partial genome of *PMTB* is 2,208,894 bp while the *Pm70* genome is 2,257,487 bp. In addition, both

genomes contain similar % GC content 40 to 41%. Analysis using GeneMark software indicated the total genes of the partial genome of *PMTB* are 2078 while the reference genome *Pm70* has 2014 genes.

Gene comparison between *PMTB* and *Pm70* to construct *PMTB* sequences as a database blast against *Pm70* sequences showed there are 223 unique genes found in *PMTB* but absence in *Pm70*. The unique genes are probably specific to serotype B:2 only or the genes were not detected in sequence analysis since they are located in the missing sequences in the gaps. On the other hand, a total of 49 genes are not detected in partial *PMTB* genome but present in *Pm70*. Sequence analysis also showed the presence of genes with high similarity (99 to 100%) to the genes from previously characterized serotype B:2, genes that are also found in other *P. multocida* serotypes and genes found in other bacteria especially *Haemophilus influenza*, *Actinobacillus minor* and *Vibrio cholerae*. Based on the partial genome sequence analysis, there are probably several virulence genes and virulence-associated genes in the *P. multocida PMTB* genome which include adhesins protein [type 4 fimbria (*ptfA*)], serotype-specific capsular polysaccharide, lipopolysaccharide, iron acquisition related genes such as *Exbd* and *tonB*, gene associated hemoglobin binding protein (*HgbA*), gene encode for transferrin-binding protein (*tbpA*), and several uncharacterized secreted enzymes and proteins that play important role in the pathogenicity of the disease. Complete genome sequencing and genome-wide functional genomics studies on *P. multocida PMTB* genome will be able to provide valuable information on pathogenicity of haemorrhagic septicaemia in ruminants.

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Pasteurella multocida adalah bakteria Gram-negatif, yang merupakan agen penyebab bagi pelbagai penyakit pada haiwan. Organisma ini biasanya berada di selaput lendir pada rangkaian usus, kemaluan dan tisu pernafasan dan merupakan patogen penyebab kolera unggas, hawar berdarah pada lembu dan rhinitis atrofi pada khinzir. Setakat ini, hanya genom *P. multocida* serotip A:3 strain *Pm70* telah dilengkapkan. Kajian ini dilakukan untuk menentukan jujukan genom *P. multocida* serotip B:2 *PMTB* dan membandingkannya dengan jujukan genom lengkap *Pm70*.

Sebanyak 7.2 juta jujukan bacaan dihasilkan dari *Illumina Genome Analyzer*. Himpunan jujukan secara *de novo* diikuti dengan perbandingan dengan jujukan rujukan, *Pm70* telah menghasilkan genom separa yang hampir lengkap *PMTB* dengan jujukan nukleotida yang hilang di 81 jurang. Genom separa *P. multocida* strain *PMTB* ialah 97.78% homologi dengan *Pm70*. Anggaran saiz genom separa *PMTB* adalah 2,208,894 pb manakala genom *Pm70* adalah 2,257,487 pb. Selain itu, kedua-dua genom mengandungi kandungan % GC yang hampir sama antara 40 hingga 41%. Analisis menggunakan perisian GeneMark menunjukkan, jumlah

keseluruhan gen bagi genom separa *PMTB* adalah 2078 gen sedangkan *Pm70* rujukan genom mempunyai 2014 gen.

Peramalan gen dengan membandingkan kedua-dua genom *PMTB* dan *Pm70* untuk membina jujukan *PMTB* sebagai pangkalan data terhadap jujukan *Pm70* menunjukkan terdapat 223 gen unik ditemui di *PMTB* tetapi tiada pada *Pm70*. Gen yang unik mungkin khusus hanya untuk serotip B:2 atau gen tersebut tidak dapat dikesan dalam analisis jujukan kerana jujukannya berada di bahagian jurang. Selain itu, terdapat sejumlah 49 gen yang tidak dikesan dalam genom separa *PMTB* tetapi hadir di dalam *Pm70*. Analisis jujukan juga menunjukkan adanya kesamaan gen dengan tinggi (99 hingga 100%) dengan gen dari serotip B:2 yang telah dikenal pasti sebelum ini, gen yang juga ditemui di *P. multocida* serotip lain dan gen yang ditemui pada bakteria lain, terutama *Haemophilus influenzae*, *Actinobacillus minor* dan *Vibrio cholerae*. Berdasarkan analisis jujukan genom separa, mungkin terdapat beberapa gen virulen dan gen berkaitan virulen seperti protein adhesin [jenis 4 fimbria (*PTFA*)], polisakarida kapsul serotip-khusus, lipopolisakarida, gen berkaitan pengambilalihan besi seperti *Exbd* dan *tonB*, gen berkaitan protein pengikat hemoglobin (*HgbA*), gen mengekod protein pengikat transferin (*tbpA*) dan beberapa protein dan enzim rembesan yang belum dikenal pasti yang berperanan penting dalam patogenisiti penyakit. Kajian mengenai jujukan genom lengkap dan genomik berfungsi keseluruhan-genom pada genom *PMTB* akan dapat memberikan maklumat yang berharga terhadap patogenisiti hawar berdarah di dalam ruminan.

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