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SOIL MICROBIAL DIVERSITY AND ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE IN NATURAL AND TRANSFORMED ECOSYSTEMS

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ABSTRACT

Terrestrial ecosystems may provide an ideal setting for the acquisition and dissemination of antibiotic resistance, because they are frequently impacted by anthropogenic activities. The soil microbiome plays an important role in development and spread of antibiotic resistance in humans. The aim of our study was to detect the antibiotic resistance soil bacteria in different ecosystems: natural ecosystems, agroecosystems and urboecosystems. Were isolated 468 dominanting bacteria, among them 79 antibiotic resistant bacteria. All isolates were multi-drug resistant, of which greater than 74,5% were resistant to 9 antibiotics. A study of soil samples from the primeval forests showed that the microbial community characterized by a low content of antibiotic-resistant microorganisms. Among 78 isolated bacteria only two of them *Bacillus cereus*, and *Pantoea agglomerans* demonstrated high level of resistance to antibiotics. A total 106 strains were isolated from the soil of medicinal plants, 13 of them were antibiotic-resistant. The greatest numbers of antibiotic-resistant bacteria have been isolated from soil of urboecosystems and agroecosystems contaminated by enrofloxacin. Among the 284 tested bacteria 64 were antibiotic resistant. Multi-resistance were such pathogenic and conditionally pathogenic bacteria as: *Enterococcus faecium*, *Acinetobacter baumannii*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Escherichia coli*, *Bacillus licheniformis*, *Serratia fonticola*, *Hafnia alvei*, *Bacillus cereus*, *Bacillus megaterium* and *Clostridium difficile*.

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