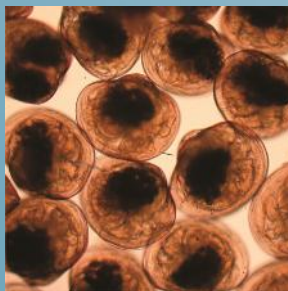
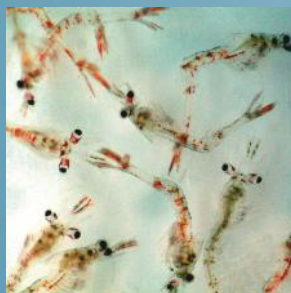
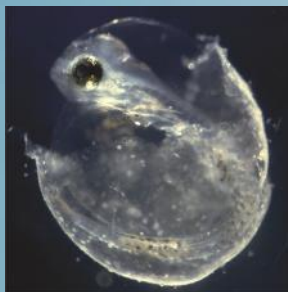


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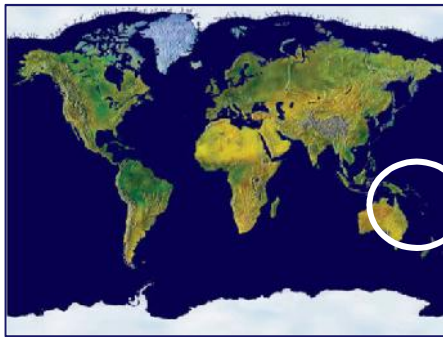
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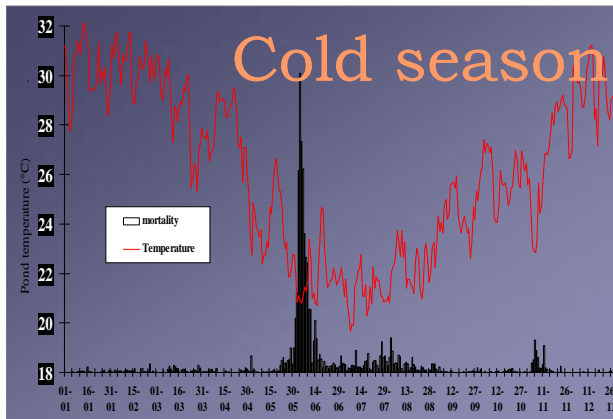
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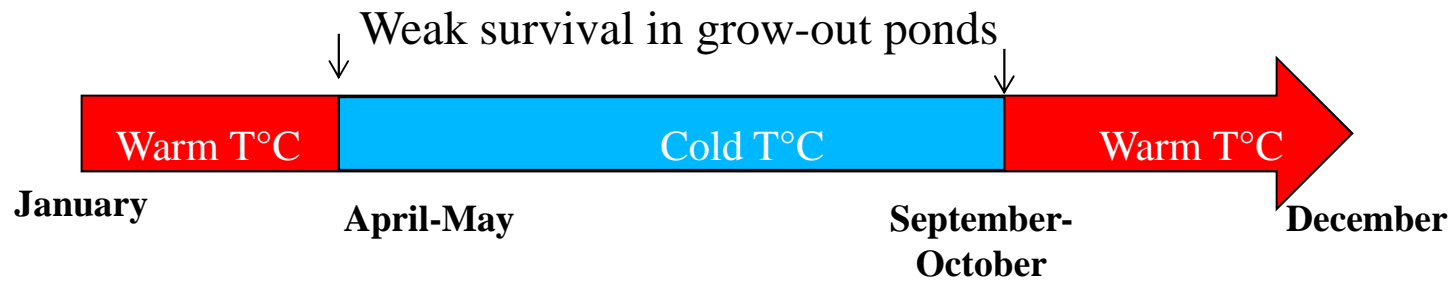
# Shrimp farming in New Caledonia



- Commercial production since 1983
- Semi-intensive culture from *Litopenaeus stylirostris* captive broodstock
- 2500 tons in 2005, less than 1200 tons in 2010
- 2 seasonal *Vibrio* pathogens in grow-out ponds (*V. penaeicidae* and *V. nigripulchritudo*)



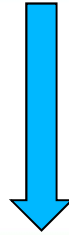
# Hatchery constraints in New Caledonia



- Most of postlarvae demand concentrated in warm season (october to january)
  - Increasing use of antibiotics to stabilize production
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- Research project for evaluating alternative prophylactic treatments in hatchery such as probiotics

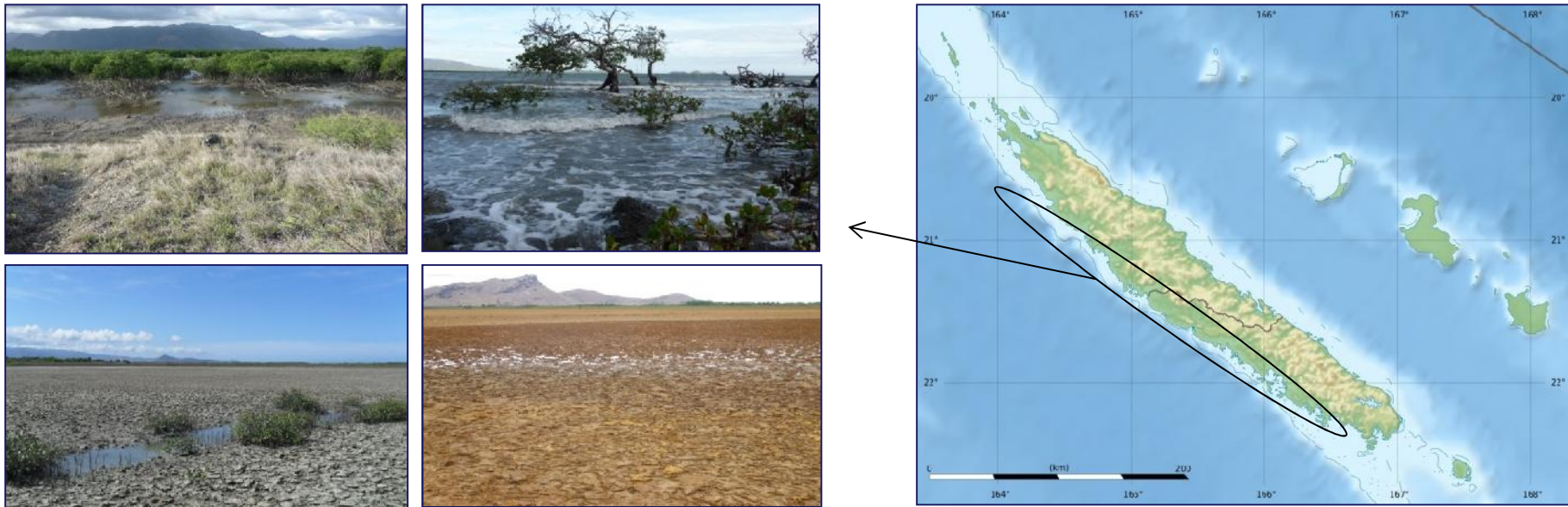
# Experimental approach

## Potential probionts selection



- **Strains characterization / identification**
- ***In vitro* growth-inhibition test**
- **Innocuousness test**
- **Effectiveness test in larval rearing**
- **Impact on animal status**

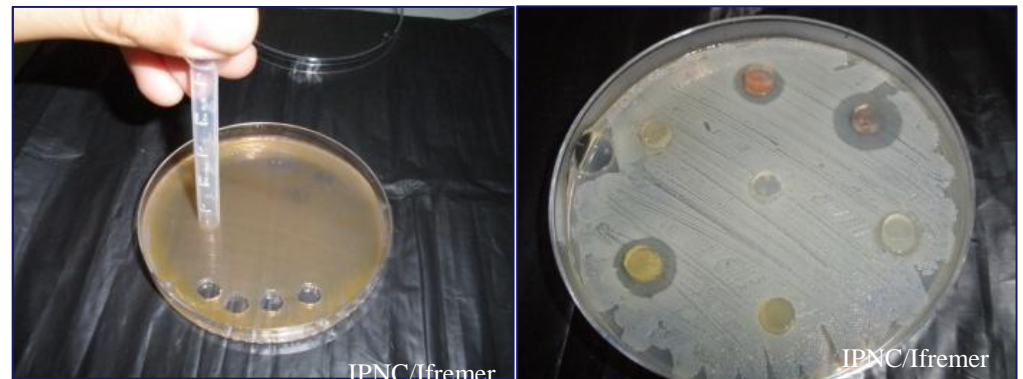
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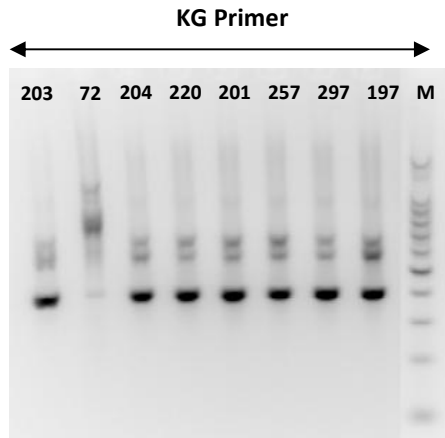
493 isolates sampled in extreme marine environments in New Caledonia

Screening for antagonistic activity against  
*V. nigripulchritudo*.

Selection of 7 isolates :  
NC72, NC197, NC201, NC203, NC204,  
NC257 and NC297



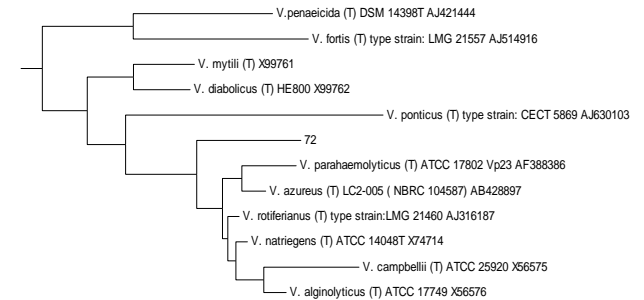
# Strains characterization / identification



AP-PCR



API 20E Gallery Test



Phylogenetic analysis

1 isolate : *Vibrio* genus

➤ NC72 belonging to *Harveyi* clade

5 isolates : *Pseudoalteromonas* genus

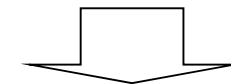
➤ NC201 close to *P. maricaloris*

➤ NC257, NC297, NC203, NC204,

NC197 close to *P. piscicida*



Bacteria group including pathogens and probiotic strains for marine invertebrates



Several species with antibacterial, antifungal and antialgal properties

# Inhibitory test on *V. harveyi* ORM4-GFP growth



1

*V. harveyi* GFP

x 3

$10^5$  CFU.mL<sup>-1</sup>

29°C

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Fluorescence reading after 48h





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- Weak inhibition activity  
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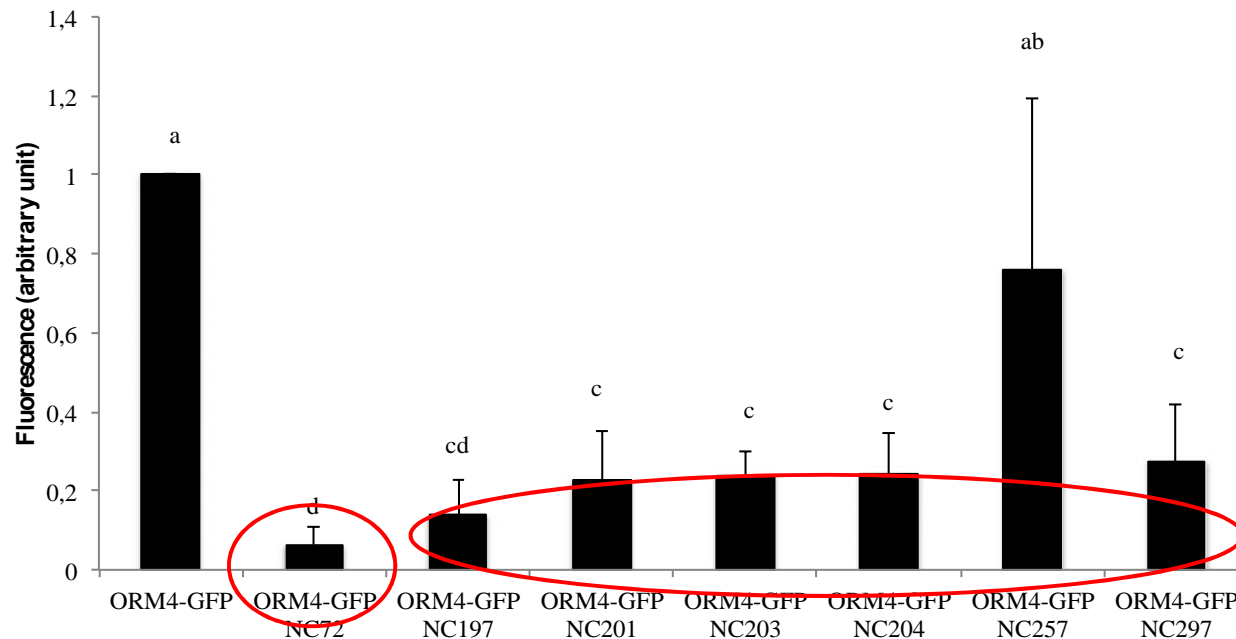
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- Very strong inhibition activity from NC72

- Strong inhibition from NC197, NC201, NC203, NC204, NC297

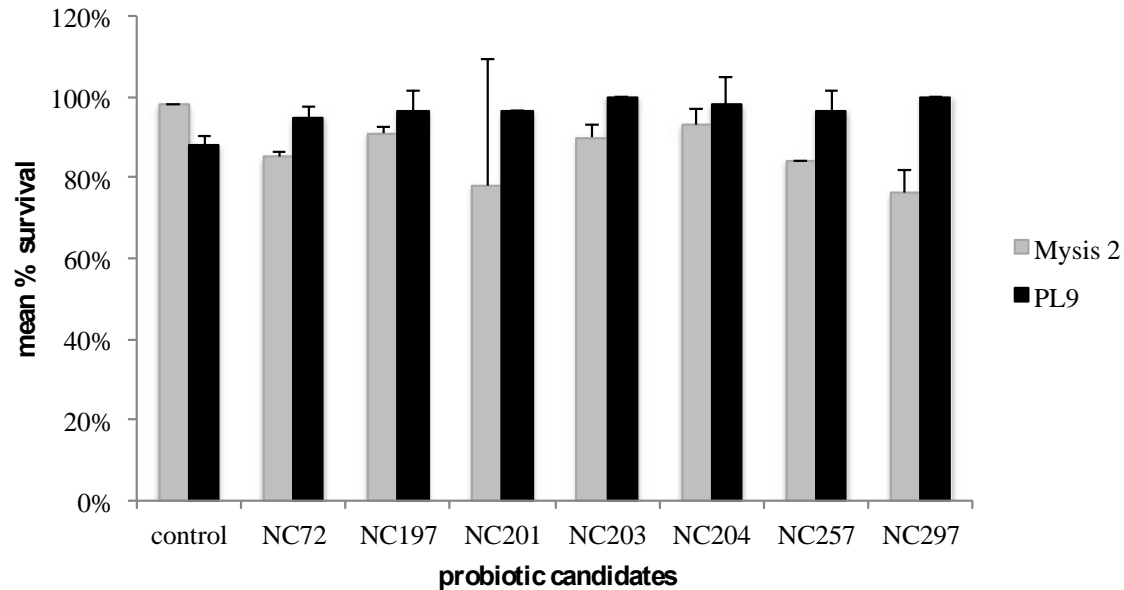
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# Harmfulness of probiotic candidates



Pathogenicity test towards Mysis 2 and PL9

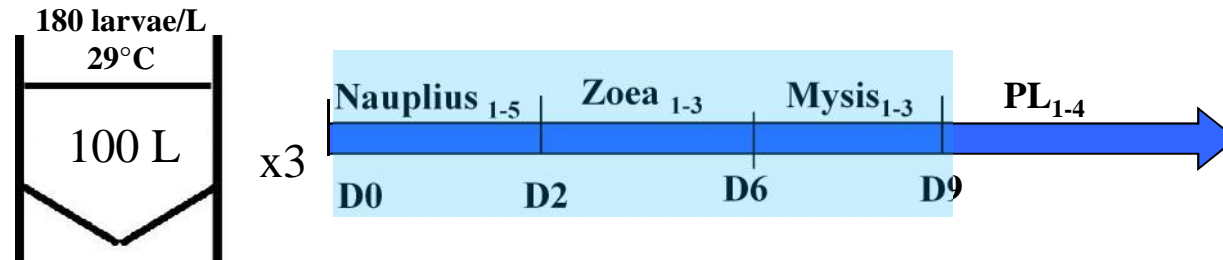
- Mysis 2 in duplicates for 48 hours
- PL9 in triplicates for 72 hours
- Isolates final concentration of  $10^5$  CFU/mL



- No survival alteration from any isolates in both stages
- No abnormality in larvae and postlarvae behaviour with all isolates

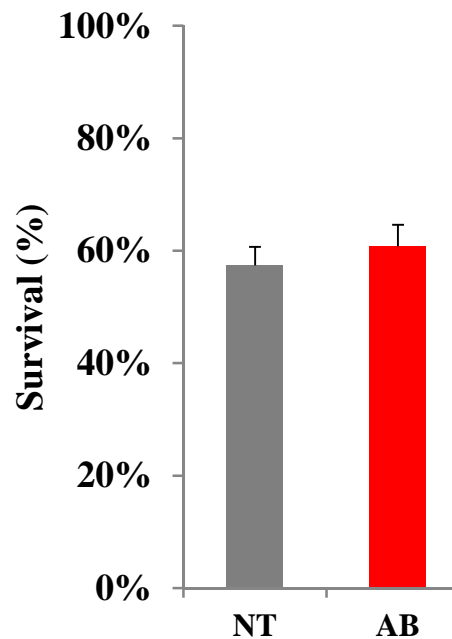
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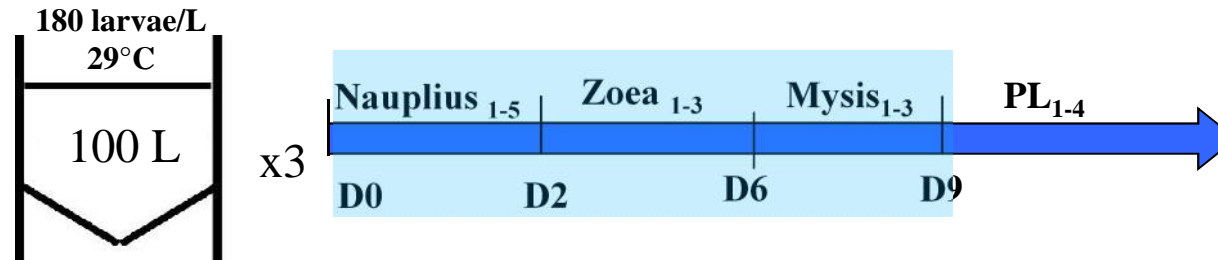


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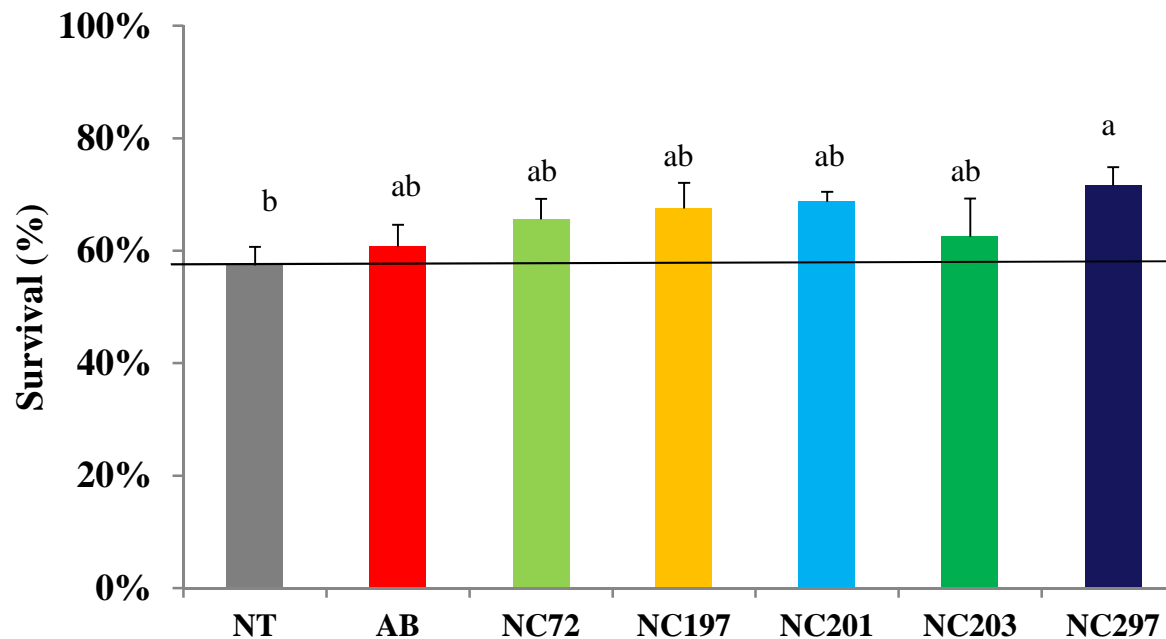


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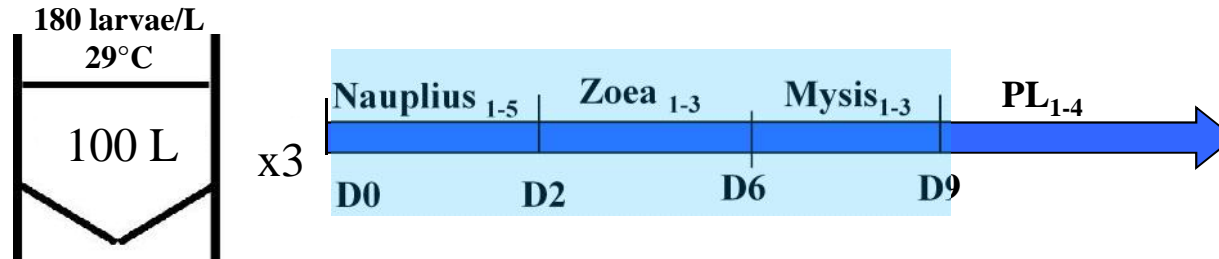


Similar or better survival rates with probiotic treatments

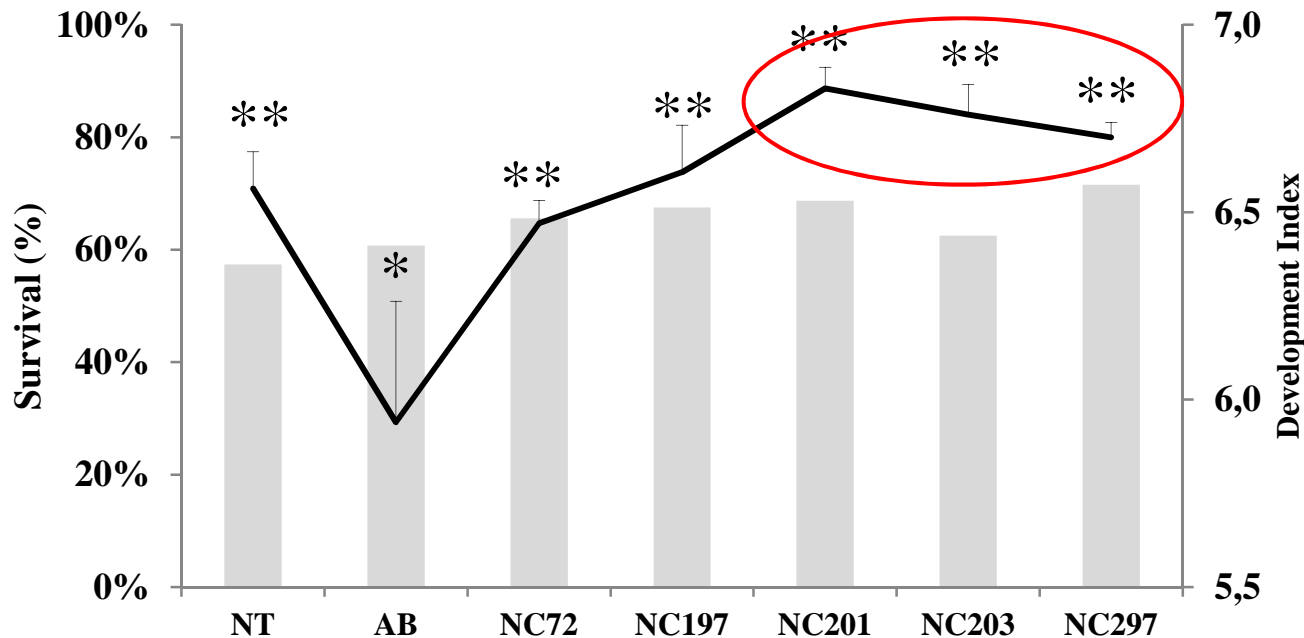
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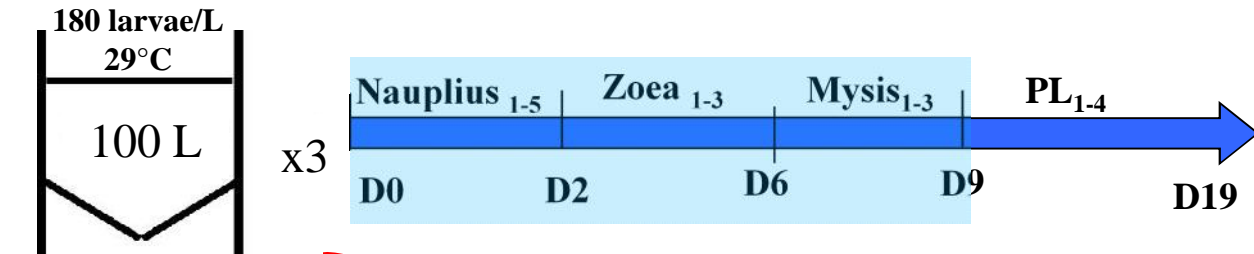


Better growth with probiotics compared to antibiotic

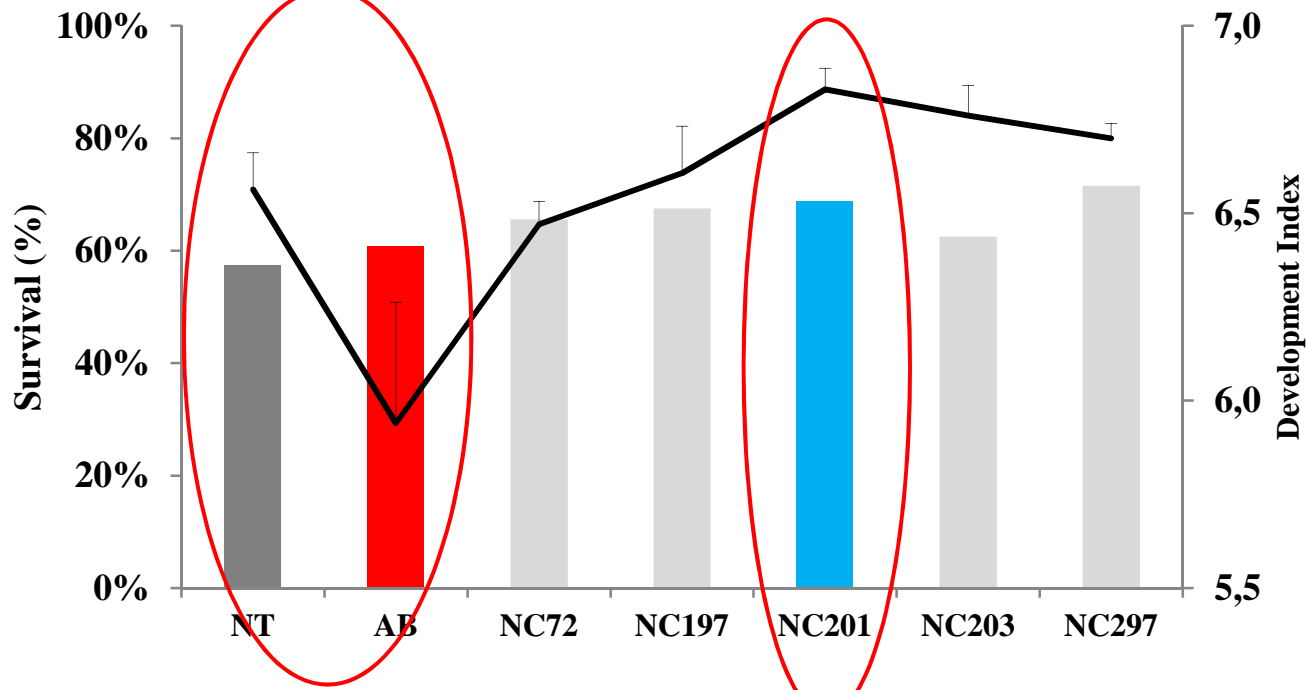
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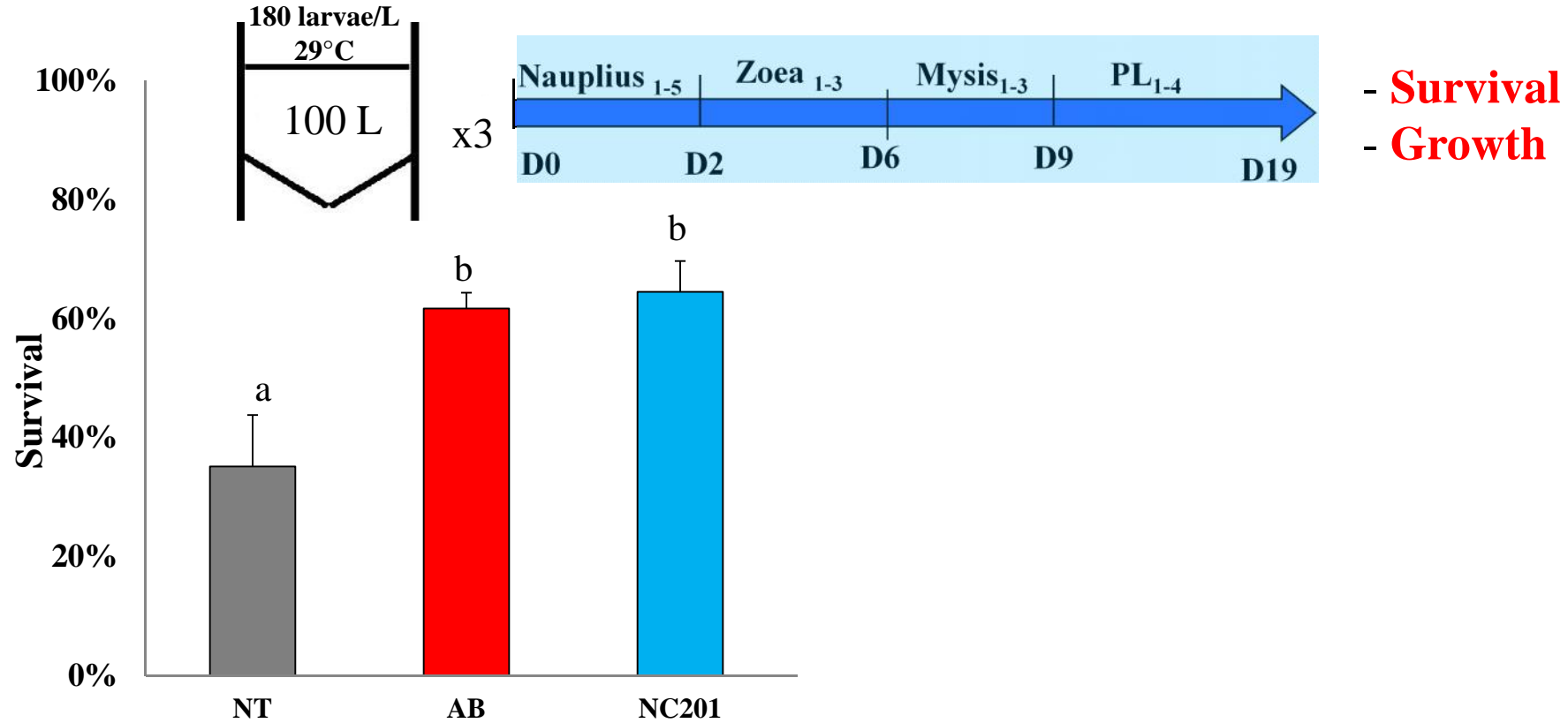


Selection of NC201  
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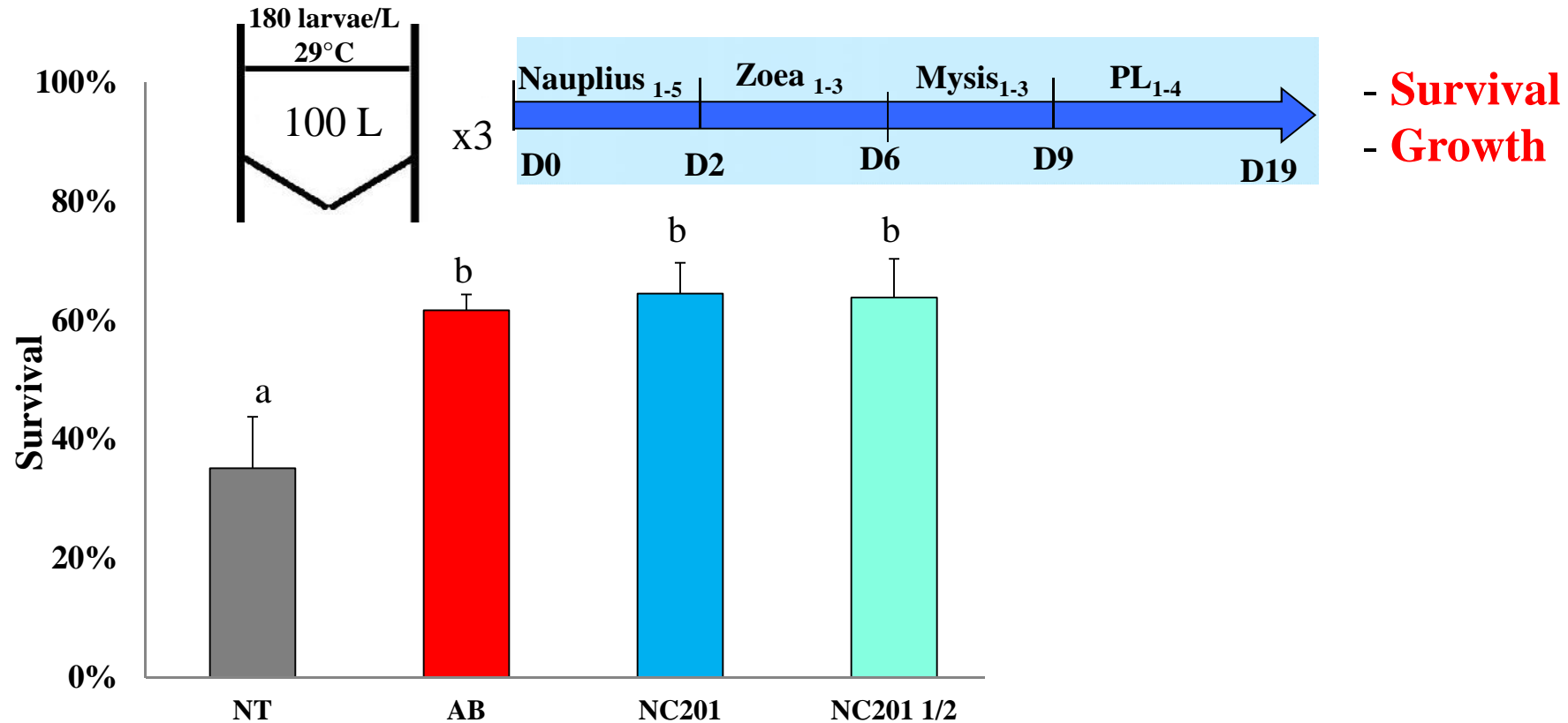






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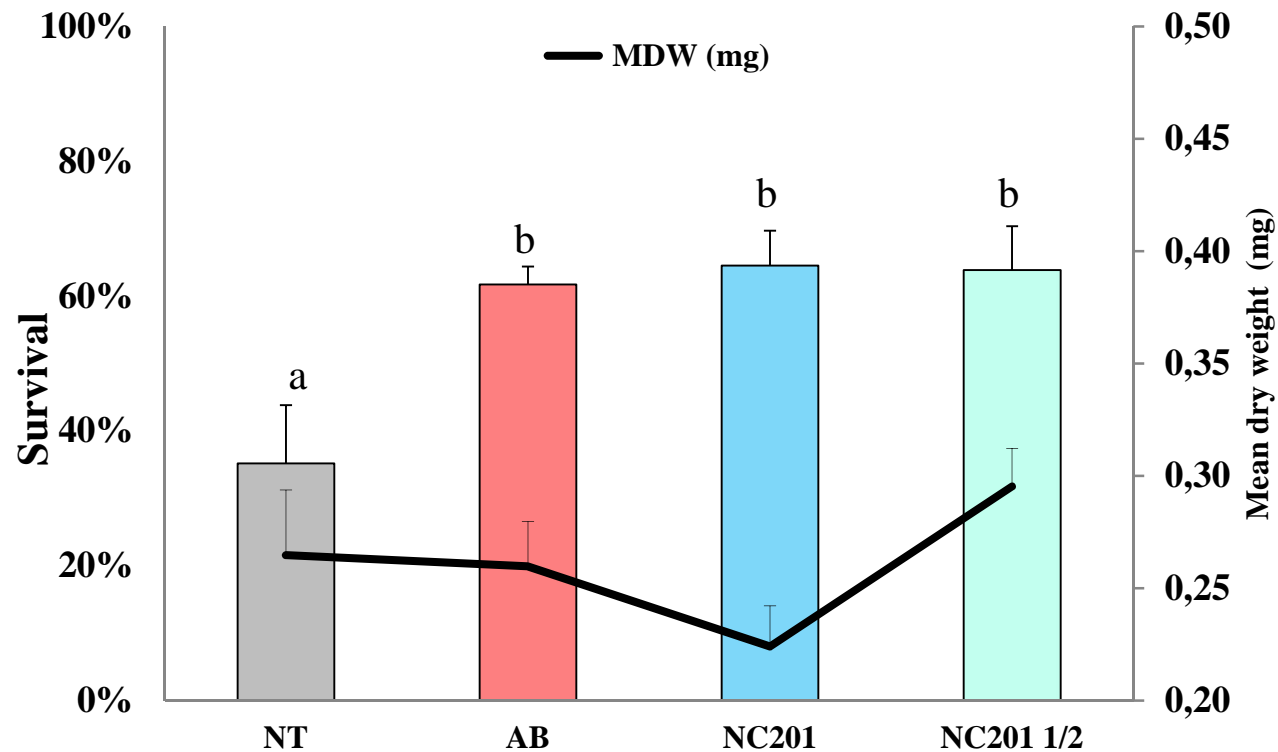


Same survival enhancement of NC201 each other day compared to every day supply



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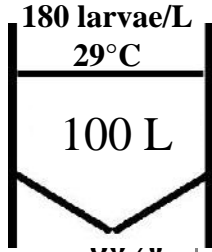


NC201 each other day as effective as NC201 every day

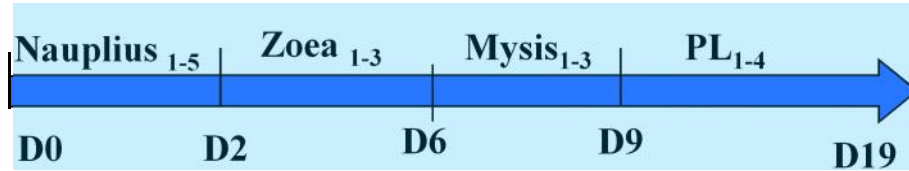


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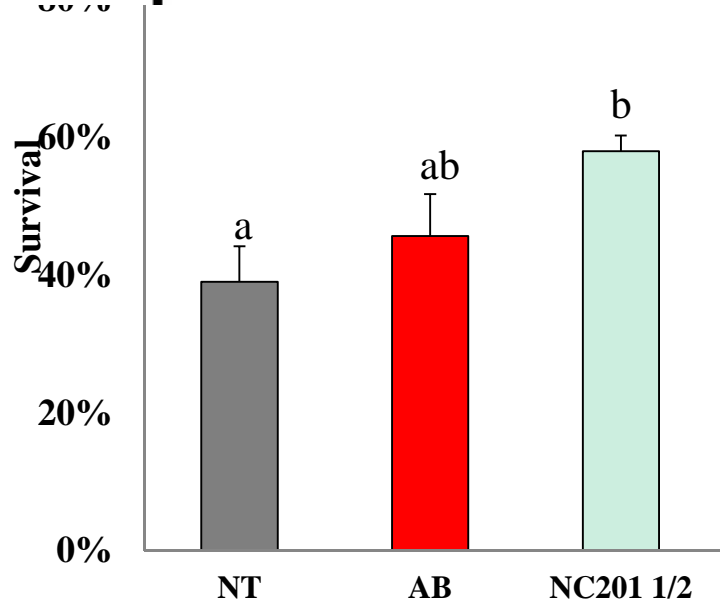
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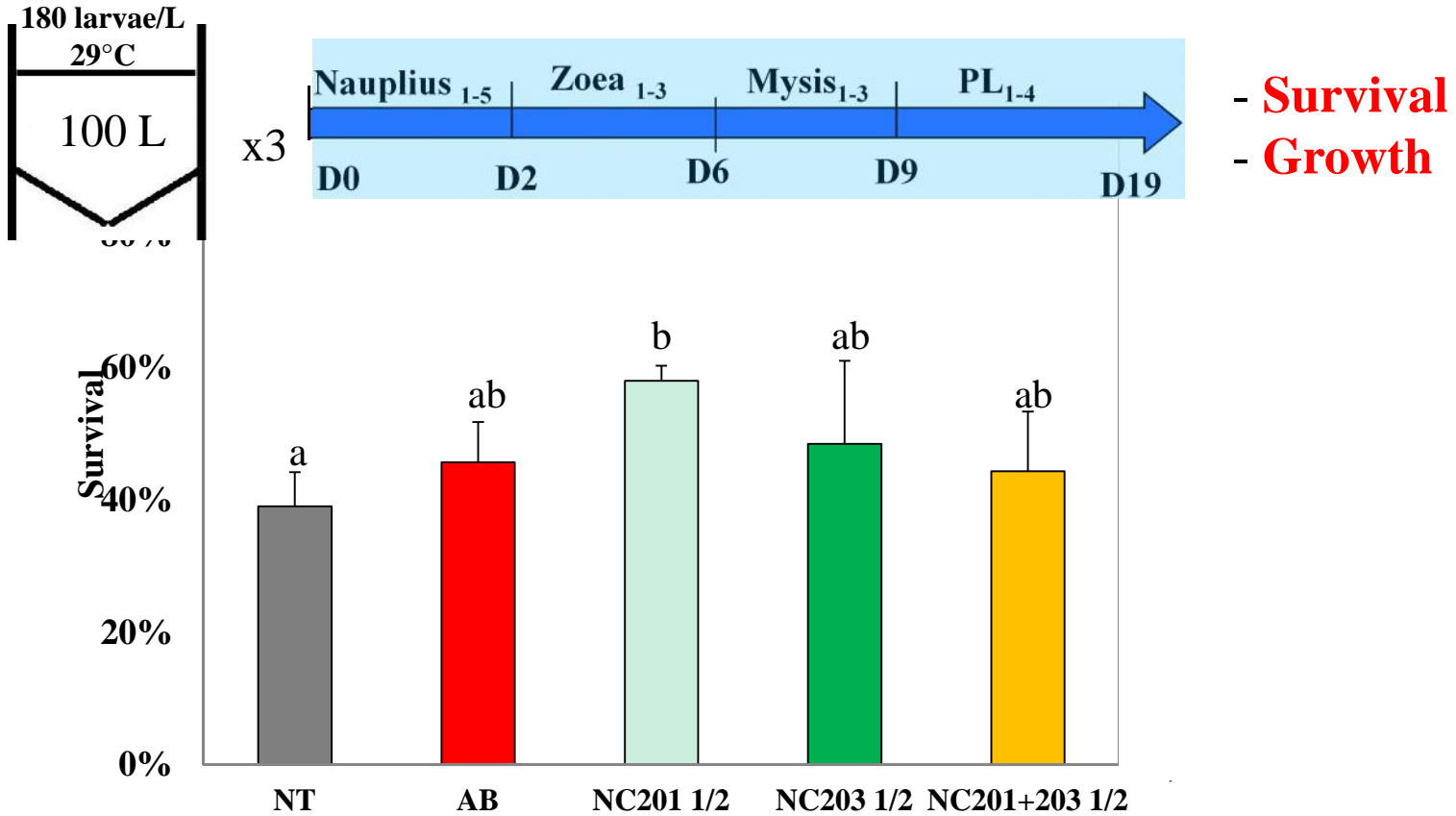
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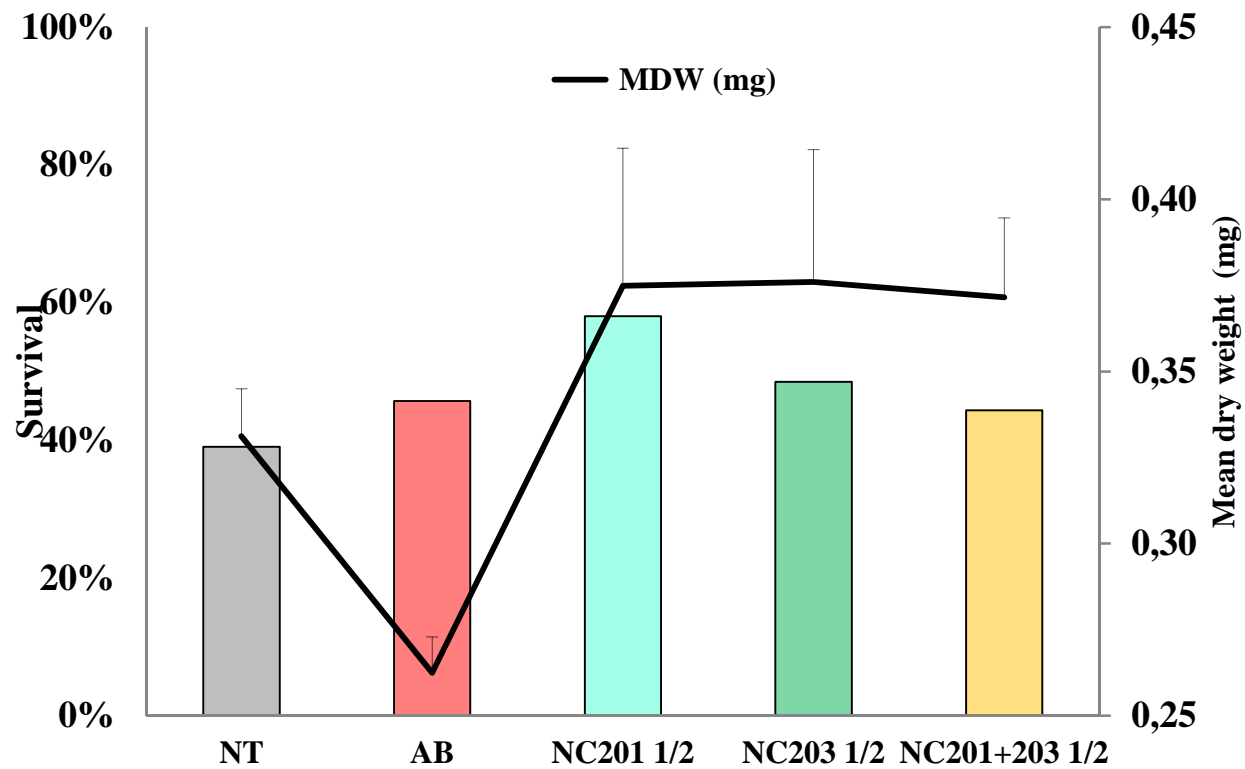


No survival improvement with probiotics combination



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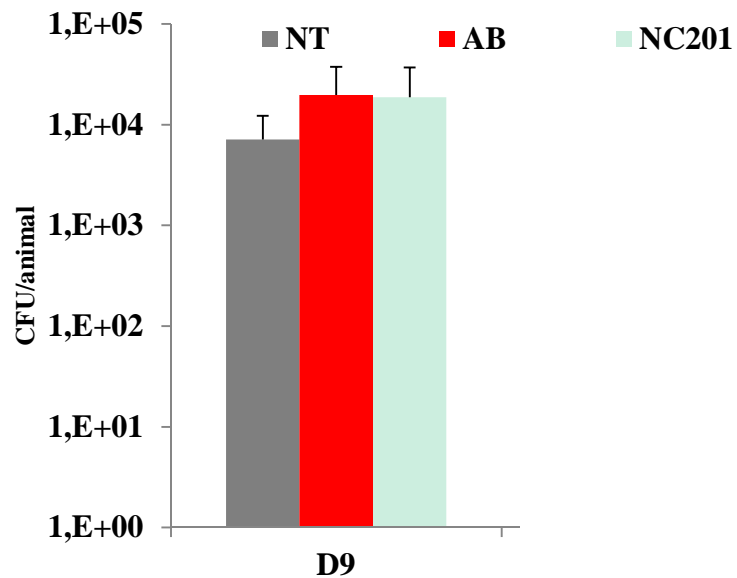
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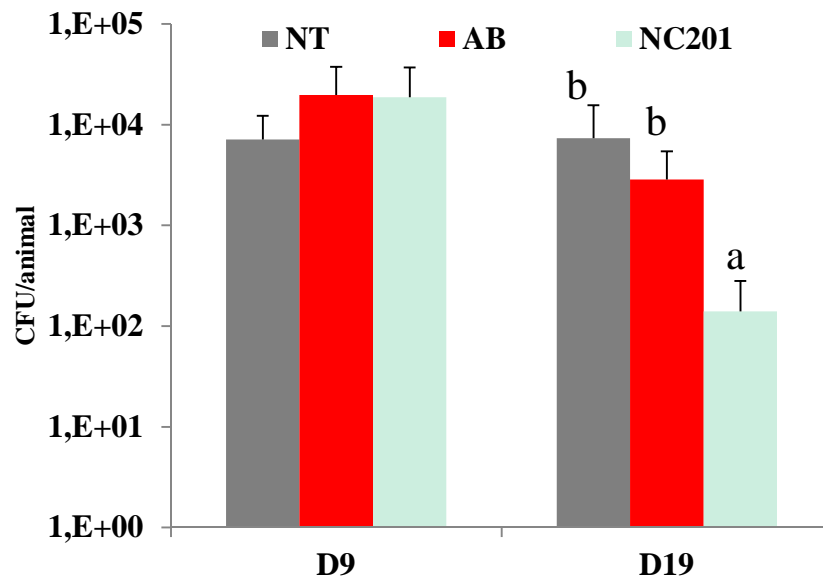
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**Lower *Vibrio* concentration in animal at D19 with probiotics**



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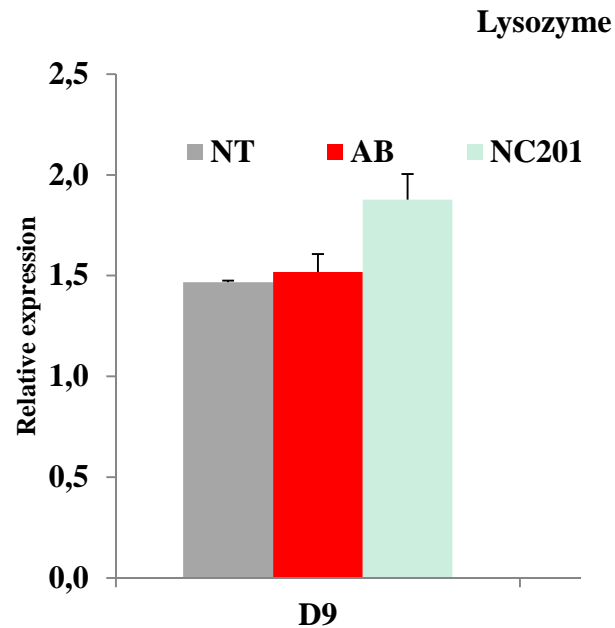
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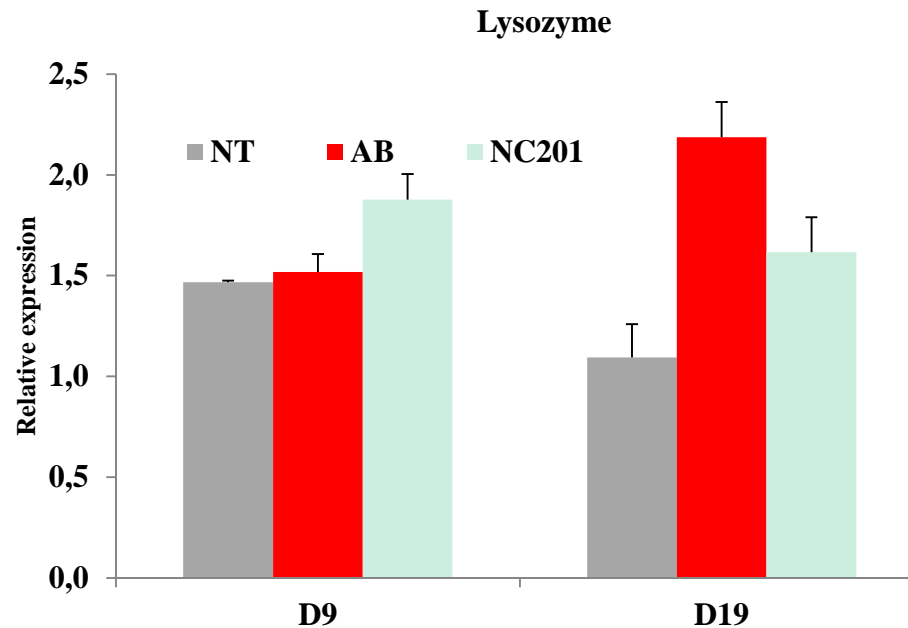
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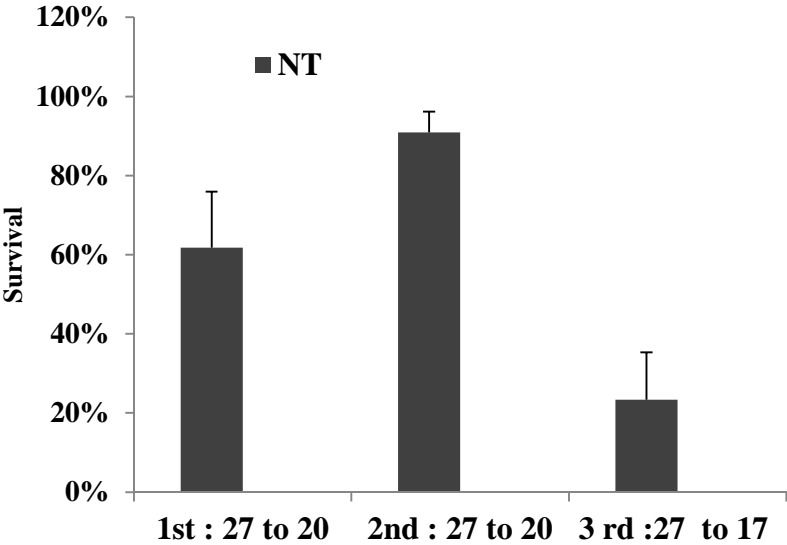
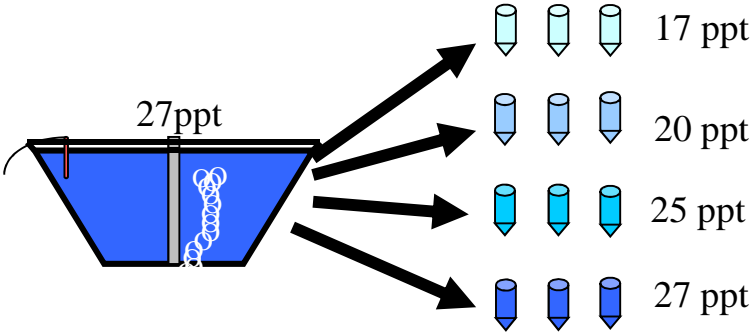
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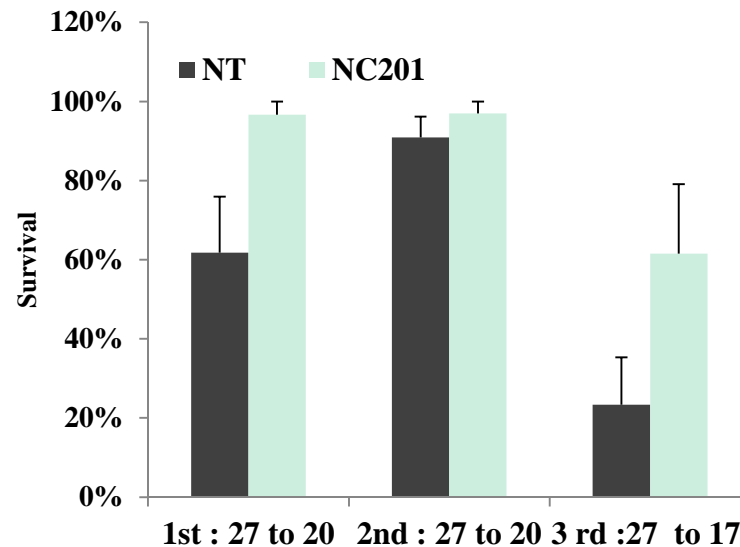
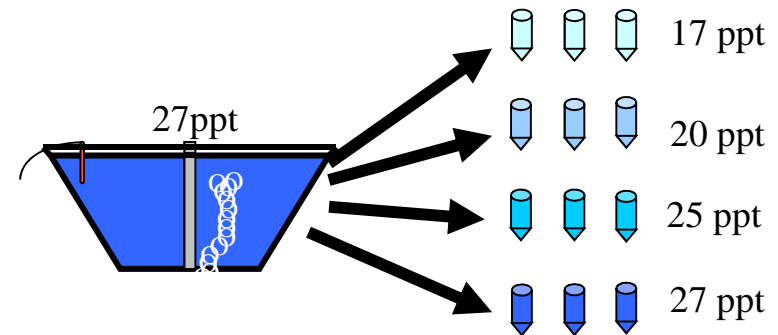
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**Resistance enhancement of postlarvae with probiotics**

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- *Pseudoalteromonas*
- NC 201 ; zootechnical perform
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• More stud' larval rearing :

- Better knowledge by experimenting :
  - bacterial challenge in larval and postlarval phases
  - probiotic effect on juveniles and adults



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