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Whole-Genome Sequencing of *Salmonella enterica* subsp. *enterica* Serovar Cuba Strains Isolated from Agricultural Sources

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We report the draft genomes of *Salmonella enterica* subsp. *enterica* serovar Cuba strain CVM42234, isolated from chick feed in 2012, and S. Cuba strain 76814, isolated from swine in 2004. The genome sizes are 4,975,046 and 4,936,251 bp, respectively.

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The presence of bacterial pathogens, such as *Salmonella*, in animal feed is an important route of animal infections and thus is an important risk factor for the human food chain and public health. There are >2,500 serovars of *Salmonella*, and all of them are considered a potential threat to human health (1). *Salmonella enterica* subsp. *enterica* serovar Cuba has been reported in swine that received contaminated feed (2) and in human foods (3). Whole-genome sequencing of *Salmonella* serotypes will allow the discovery of new genes unique to *Salmonella* and will support outbreak investigations.

The S. Cuba CVM42234 strain was isolated from chick feed with the Bacteriological Analytical Manual *Salmonella* culture method (4, 5), detected by a quantitative PCR (qPCR) method (6, 7), and serotyped with PCR serotyping (8) and by traditional serological methods according to the CDC protocols (9–11). The serotype antigens are 1, 13, 23, and z29-. Pulsed-field gel electrophoresis (PFGE) was performed according to the CDC method (12), and the PFGE pattern was JDGX01.0018. *In vitro* antimicrobial susceptibility testing was done according to the standard National Antimicrobial Resistance Monitoring System protocol using the CMV2AGNF panel of antimicrobials (13). S. Cuba strain 76814 was tested using a similar microbroth dilution method (Trek Biosystems, Cleveland, OH). Strain CVM42234 was susceptible to all antimicrobials tested, but strain 76814 was resistant to streptomycin, sulfamethoxazole, and tetracycline.

Strain CVM42234 DNA was extracted using the QIAcube (Qiagen, Valencia, CA), the DNA library was constructed according to the Illumina protocol with Nextera XT DNA Sample Prep kit, and it was sequenced using Illumina MiSeq (Illumina, San Diego, CA). CLC bio version 6.0.1 (Germauntown, MD) was used for the trimming and de novo assembly of the paired-end reads to 100 contigs. Strain 76814 DNA was isolated with the GenElute isolation kit (Sigma-Aldrich, St. Louis, MO) for bacteria, the library was made by shearing and ligating Illumina sequencing adapters to the genomic DNA, and it was sequenced on HiSeq 2000 (Illumina) then assembled using one Button Velvet (European Bioinformatics Institute, Hinxton, Cambridgeshire United Kingdom) into 247 contigs (172 scaffolds).

Both the CVM42234 and 76814 draft genomes were annotated using RAST (14). The two S. Cuba genomes have an average nucleotide identity of 99.5% and reveal many common genetic features, as well as some differences. They both have a multidrug resistance *mdtABCD* cluster, a multiple antibiotic resistance (*mar*) locus, and several multidrug resistance efflux pumps. Loci for resistance to metals, such as arsenic, copper, silver, cobalt, zinc, and mercury, are present. Many flagellar motility genes also are present. CVM42234 contains two discrete clusters of phage proteins. A conjugative plasmid and a small plasmid bearing a mercury resistance locus were identified from the 76814 genome assembly. The presence of many antimicrobial resistance genes and strain-specific mobile elements indicate that S. Cuba may exhibit typical heterogeneity based on host and geographical factors as seen in many other pathogenic *Salmonella* serovars. The annotations of both genomes are publicly available at RAST.

Nucleotide sequence accession numbers. The draft genome sequences for these two *Salmonella* serovar Cuba strains have been deposited at DDBJ/EMBL/GenBank under accession no. ATEU00000000 and AZGR00000000.

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