

## Analysis on Microbial Community Structure Change for Low Permeability Reservoirs in Daqing Oil Field at Different Days in Outdoor

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**Abstract.** To gain a better understanding the difference on microbial community structure for low permeability reservoirs in Daqing Oil Field at different days in outdoor, we constructed the 16SrDNA gene clone library for different days' samples respectively. The results showed that the dominant microbes of zero days' sample are uncultured *Acinetobacter* sp. (42%), uncultured *Clostridia* bacterium(21%) and *Bacillus* sp. (12%); the dominant microbes of two days' sample are uncultured *Acinetobacter* sp. (53%), uncultured *Clostridia* bacterium (13%) and *Bacillus* sp.(10%); the dominant microbes of four days' sample are uncultured *Acinetobacter* sp. (62%), uncultured *Clostridia* bacterium (10%), *Bacillus* sp.(9%) and uncultured *Klebsiella* sp.(8%); the dominant microbes of 6 days' sample are uncultured *Acinetobacter* sp. (70%) and uncultured *Klebsiella* sp.(10%). The numbers of uncultured *Acinetobacter* sp. and uncultured *Klebsiella* sp. are gradually increased, the numbers of uncultured *Clostridia* bacterium, *Bacillus* sp., *Ochrobactrum* sp. and *Pseudomonas* sp. are gradually decreased. It is supposed to provide a dependable basis for the importance for analysing microbial community structure of oil reservoir without delay.

### Introduction

Microbial Enhanced Oil Recovery (MEOR) technology that has rapidly developed for simple process, safety operation, non-pollution for the environment and low cost. Bio-gas, bio-polymers, inorganic salts and so on were precipitated in the process of growth, reproduction and metabolism of microbes after the injection of microbes or activation of origin microbes<sup>[1]</sup>. Many foreign countries such as the United States, Romania and so on have made a lot of field test of microbial enhanced oil recovery and achieved some good effects<sup>[2,3]</sup>. In China Dagang, Shengli, Daqing Oil Field and so on carried out some researches from the 1960's in this area and increased microbial enhanced oil recovery pilot 10%~30%<sup>[4,5]</sup>. Compared with a variety of chemical profile modification, microbial profile modification overcomes some problems. Therefore, it is significant to explore new technologies to further enhance oil recovery and select representative blocks to carry out microbial profile modification field tests in oil reservoirs.

But MEOR technology is still relatively small scale, and the supporting technology needs further study. Analysis of microbial community structure is a key for MEOR. The sequencing technology based on 16S rDNA for its unique advantages is increasingly used in microbial enhanced oil recovery technology research<sup>[6,7]</sup>. Orphan et al<sup>[8]</sup> analyzed the microbial community of California high temperature, sulfur-rich reservoirs. Grabowski<sup>[9]</sup> obtained the microbial community diversity in Canadian low-temperature, low salinity reservoirs by using 16S rDNA gene clone library. She et al<sup>[10]</sup> revealed microbial community structure of reservoirs by PCR-DGGE analysis of water samples in Xinjiang Karamay oil field. Zhang et al<sup>[11]</sup> analyzed the microbial community diversity of reservoirs after polymer flooding by ARDRA in Daqing oil field.

In this study, in order to assess the importance of analysing the microbial community structure after sampling immediately, we extracted genomic DNA of different days' samples on low permeability oil reservoirs in Daqing oilfield. Then, we amplified 16S rDNA gene from each sample, constructed 16S rDNA gene clone libraries of four samples. By analysing the difference of microbial community structure for the four 16S rDNA gene clone libraries, Our study provide a dependable basis for the importance for analysing microbial community structure of oil reservoir without delay.

## Materials and Methods

**Materials.** The experimental production fluid was collected from the CHAO 60-124 well in the CHAO 50 Block of low permeability oil reservoirs in Daqing Oil Field. Experimental equipments include the low temperature refrigerated centrifuge, MyCycler gradient PCR system, incubator, ultra low temperature freezer, Bio-Imaging System and so on.

**DNA extraction.** The protocol of microbial total genomic DNA extraction of low permeability oil reservoirs in Daqing oilfield was described previously<sup>[12]</sup>. The extracted genomic DNA was stored in -20°C.

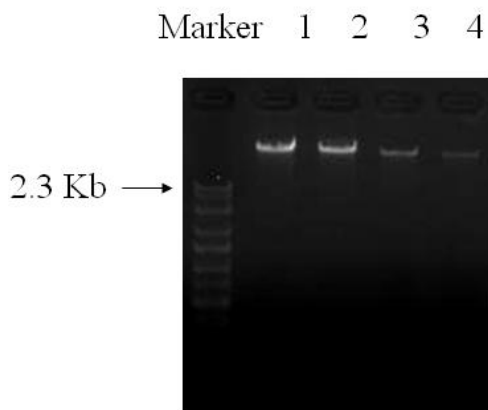
**PCR amplification.** The PCR amplification was performed with universal primers for 16S rDNA gene of bacteria<sup>[13]</sup>. The PCR mixture contained: 2 µl cell suspension, 0.75 µM of each primer, 12.5 µl Premix Taq Version 2.0, and molecular biology grade water to a final volume of 25 µl. Bacterial PCR was performed in MyCycler gradient PCR system as follows: 95 °C for 10min; 35 cycles at 94 °C for 45 s, 54 °C for 45 s, 72 °C for 2 min; 72 °C for 10min. PCR products were checked by 1.0% agarose gel electrophoresis.

**Construction of 16 S rDNA gene clone library.** The recovery fragment of amplified 16S rDNA gene was connected with pMD-19T vector (Promega). The ligated products were transformed into E.coli competent cells; Cells (50µl), incubated for 45min at 37 °C, were spread on LB plates containing Ampicillin (100µg/ml), IPTG (50mM), and X-Gal(80µg/ml). One hundred putative clones (white) from each plate were selected to sequence.

**Blast and construction of phylogenetic trees.** The 16S rDNA sequences were analyzed by GenBank database; the NJ method construction of phylogenetic trees used MEGA 4.1 software<sup>[14]</sup>.

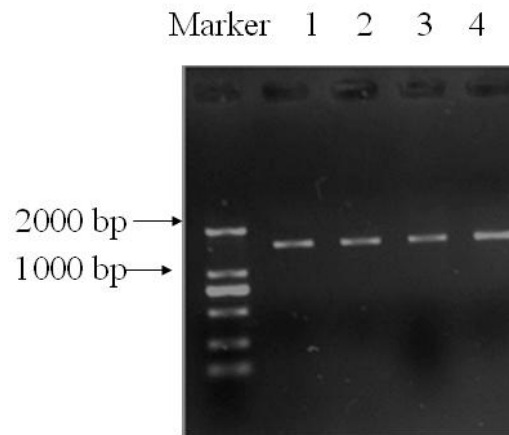
## Results and Analysis

**The results of microbial total genomic DNA extraction and PCR amplification.** In order to construct 16 S rDNA gene clone library, microbial total bacteria genomic DNA of four days' samples were extracted. The results shown in Fig.1 showed that the genomic DNA fragments were more than 2.3 kb. Then, the PCR amplification was performed with universal primers for 16S rDNA gene of bacteria. PCR products' fragments of 16S rDNA gene were about 1500bp(as shown Fig.2).



Marker: Lambda DNA/HindIII , 1: zero days, 2: two days, 3: four days, 4: six days.

Fig.1 The genomic DNA extraction



Marker: DL2000, 1: zero days, 2: two days, 3: four days, 4: six days.

Fig.2 The PCR products of 16S rDNA gene

**The results of construction and analysis for 16 S rDNA gene clone library.** The recovery fragments of amplified 16S rDNA gene were connected with pMD-19T vectors respectively. The ligated products were transformed into E.coli competent cells. Four gene clone libraries were constructed successfully (the results aren't shown). One hundred positive clones were sequenced and the sequences were analyzed using Nucleotide BLAST software. As Tab.1 shown, We obtained eight operational taxonomic units (Operational Taxonomic Unit, OUT) by the BLAST results of 16S rDNA gene sequences from zero days' sample, of which four OUTs is the dominant groups (including more than eight clones). The dominant microbes of zero days' sample are uncultured *Acinetobacter* sp. (42%), uncultured *Clostridia* bacterium (21%), *Bacillus* sp. (12%) and *Ochrobactrum* sp. (9%). As Tab.2 shown, we obtained eight operational taxonomic units (Operational Taxonomic Unit, OUT) by the BLAST results of 16S rDNA gene sequences from two days' sample, of which three OUTs is the dominant groups. The dominant microbes of two days' sample are uncultured *Acinetobacter* sp. (53%), uncultured *Clostridia* bacterium (13%) and *Bacillus* sp. (10%). As Tab.3 shown, we obtained seven operational taxonomic units (Operational Taxonomic Unit, OUT) by the BLAST results of 16S rDNA gene sequences from four days' sample, of which four OUTs is the dominant groups (including more than eight clones). The dominant microbes of four days' sample are uncultured *Acinetobacter* sp. (62%), uncultured *Clostridia* bacterium (10%), *Bacillus* sp. (9%) and uncultured *Klebsiella* sp. (8%). As Tab.4 shown, we obtained six operational taxonomic units (Operational Taxonomic Unit, OUT) by the BLAST results of 16S rDNA gene sequences from six days' sample, of which two OUTs is the dominant groups (including more than eight clones). The dominant microbes of six days' sample are uncultured *Acinetobacter* sp. (70%) and uncultured *Klebsiella* sp. (10%).

Table 1 Clone library analysis of the 16S rDNA genes of zero days' sample microorganism

Type	Clone number	GenBank	Phylogenetically closest related organism	
Similarity	Accession number	phylogenetically identified closest related organism		
		/ %		
99%	W1	42	EU050693	Uncultured Acinetobacter sp. clone DQ311-68
99%	W2	21	JX505406	Uncultured Clostridia bacterium clone
Pad-159	99%			
98%	W3	12	EU740977	Bacillus sp. W1
100%	W4	9	DQ989292	Ochrobactrum sp. 1605
90%	W5	6	AY692045	Uncultured Arcobacter sp. clone I62
95%	W6	5	AJ704793	Pseudomonas sp. ws15
MFCBog2-47	90%			
93%	W7	4	JF817517	Uncultured Geobacter sp. clone
	W8	1	FJ268986	Uncultured Klebsiella sp. clone IITR RCP25

Table 2 Clone library analysis of the 16S rDNA genes of two days' sample microorganism

Type	Clone number	GenBank	Phylogenetically closest related organism	
Similarity	Accession number	phylogenetically identified closest related organism		
		/ %		
99%	W1	53	EU050693	Uncultured Acinetobacter sp. clone DQ311-68
99%	W2	13	JX505406	Uncultured Clostridia bacterium clone
Pad-159	99%			
98%	W3	10	EU740977	Bacillus sp. W1
93%	W4	7	FJ268986	Uncultured Klebsiella sp. clone IITR RCP25
100%	W5	6	DQ989292	Ochrobactrum sp. 1605
90%	W6	6	AY692045	Uncultured Arcobacter sp. clone I62
MFCBog2-47	90%			
95%	W7	4	JF817517	Uncultured Geobacter sp. clone
	W8	1	AJ704793	Pseudomonas sp. ws15

Table 3 Clone library analysis of the 16S rDNA genes of four days' sample microorganism

Type	Clone number	GenBank	Phylogenetically closest related organism
Similarity	Accession number	phylogenetically identified closest related organism	
		/%	
W1	62	EU050693	Uncultured <i>Acinetobacter</i> sp. clone DQ311-68
99%			
W2	10	JX505406	Uncultured <i>Clostridia</i> bacterium clone
Pad-159	99%		
W3	9	EU740977	<i>Bacillus</i> sp. W1
98%			
W4	8	FJ268986	Uncultured <i>Klebsiella</i> sp. clone IITR RCP25
93%			
W5	6	DQ989292	<i>Ochrobactrum</i> sp. 1605
100%			
W6	4	AY692045	Uncultured <i>Arcobacter</i> sp. clone I62
90%			
W7	1	JF817517	Uncultured <i>Geobacter</i> sp. clone
MFCBog2-47	90%		

Table 4 Clone library analysis of the 16S rDNA genes of zero days' sample microorganism

Type	Clone number	GenBank	Phylogenetically closest related organism
Similarity	Accession number	phylogenetically identified closest related organism	
		/%	
W1	70	EU050693	Uncultured <i>Acinetobacter</i> sp. clone
DQ311-68	99%		
W2	10	FJ268986	Uncultured <i>Klebsiella</i> sp. clone IITR RCP25
93%			
W3	7	JX505406	Uncultured <i>Clostridia</i> bacterium clone
Pad-159	99%		
W4	6	EU740977	<i>Bacillus</i> sp. W1
98%			
W5	6	AY692045	Uncultured <i>Arcobacter</i> sp. clone I62
90%			
W6	1	DQ989292	<i>Ochrobactrum</i> sp. 1605
100%			

**The microbial community structure change characteristics of different days.** The results of four different samples' 16 S rDNA gene clone libraries showed that uncultured *Acinetobacter* sp. accounted for 42%, 53%, 62% and 70% respectively, uncultured *Clostridia* bacterium accounted for 21%, 13%, 10% and 7% respectively, *Bacillus* sp. W1 accounted for 12%, 10%, 9% and 6% respectively, *Ochrobactrum* sp. 1605 accounted for 9%, 6%, 4% and 1% respectively, uncultured *Klebsiella* sp. accounted for 1%, 7%, 8% and 10%. These results showed that the numbers of uncultured *Acinetobacter* sp. and uncultured *Klebsiella* sp. are gradually increased, the numbers of uncultured *Clostridia* bacterium, *Bacillus* sp., *Ochrobactrum* sp. and *Pseudomonas* sp. are gradually decreased, and the numbers of uncultured *Arcobacter* sp. aren't changed.

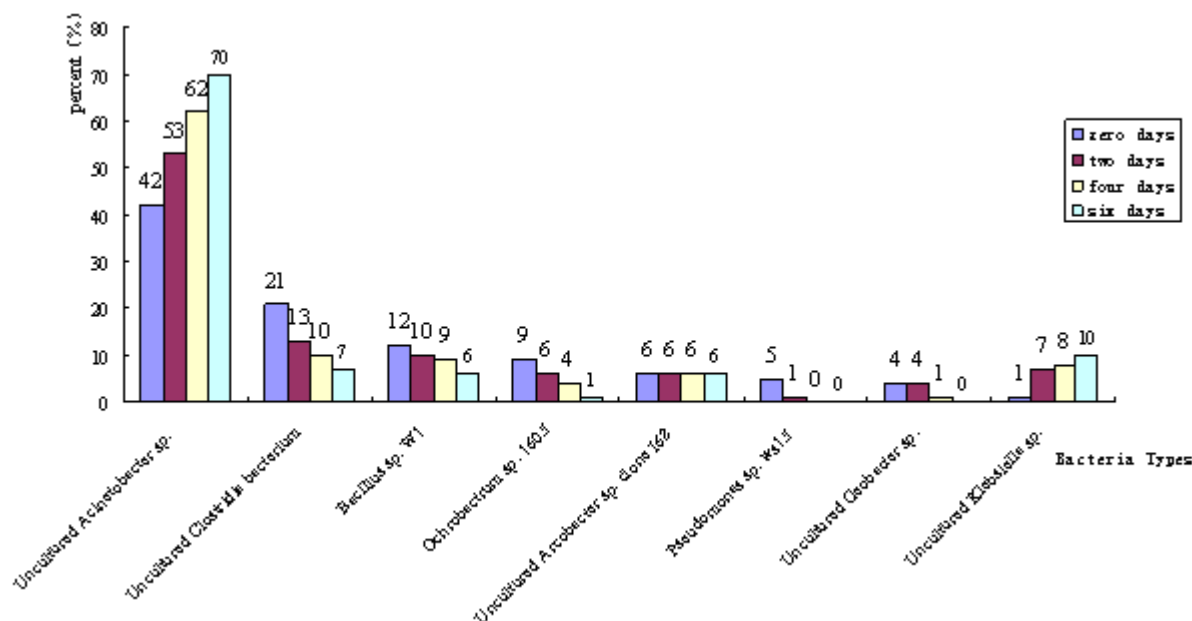


Fig.3 The percent of different bacteria types on different days

## Conclusions

With the development of Microbial Enhanced Oil Recovery (MEOR) technology for many years, microbial community structure has undergone great changes. As a lot of unknown species is hard to culture, we haven't known their functions. Analysis of microbial community structure is a key for MEOR. It maybe inaccurate if we couldn't construct 16S rDNA gene clone library immediately. The results showed that some bacterial numbers are increased, some bacterial numbers are decreased, some bacterial numbers aren't changed. Compared with microbial community structure of zero days' sample, microbial community structure of six days' sample has changed largely. The dominant microbes of zero days' sample which are *Acinetobacter* sp. (42%), uncultured *Clostridia* bacterium(21%), *Bacillus* sp. (12%) and *Ochrobactrum* sp.(9%).have changed into uncultured *Acinetobacter* sp. (70%) and uncultured *Klebsiella* sp.(10%) after six days. The types of bacteria have reduced to six kinds. But percent of some dominant microbes was increased. Our study provide a dependable basis for the importance of analyzing microbial community structure of oil reservoir without delay.

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