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[54] METHOD OF PRODUCING SURFACTIN WITH THE USE OF MUTANT OF BACILLUS SUBTILIS

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ABSTRACT

The present invention relates to a stable mutant of *Bacillus subtilis* which can produce surfactin with high yields, a method of producing surfactin with the use of the strain and the use of the surfactin obtained for pharmaceutical, energy and environmental problems.

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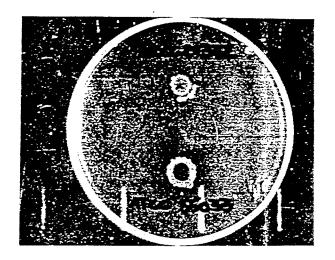
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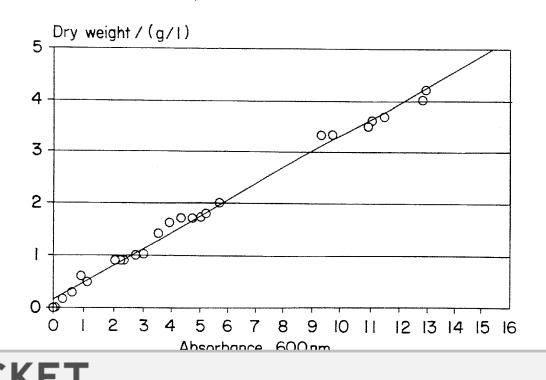
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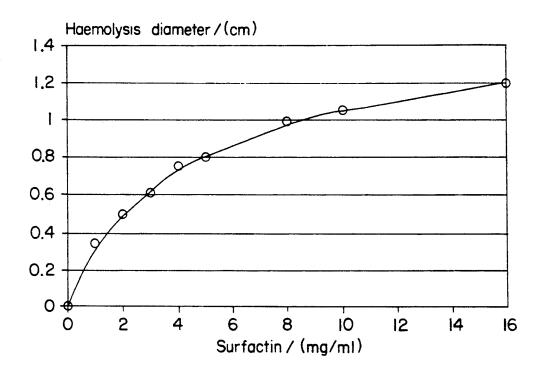
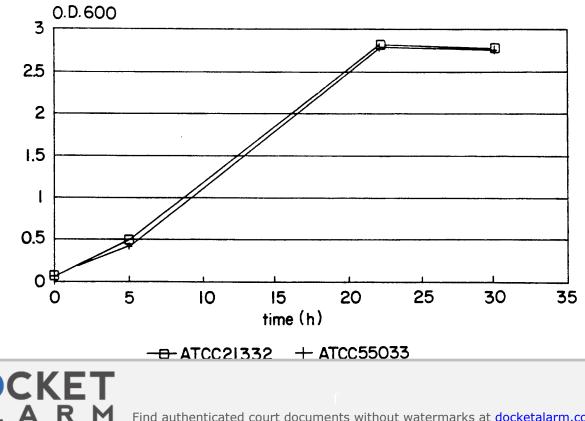


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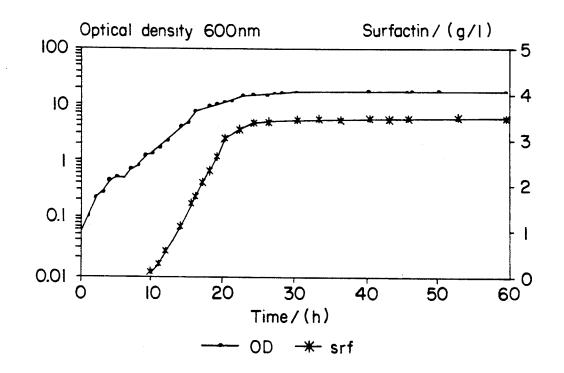
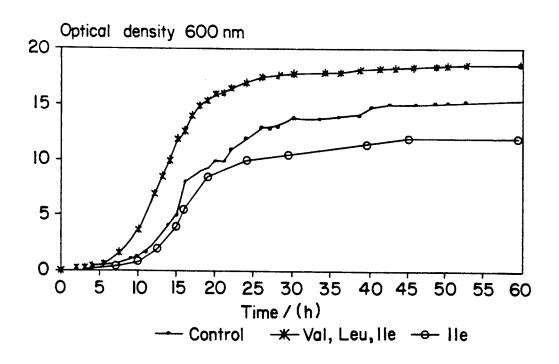


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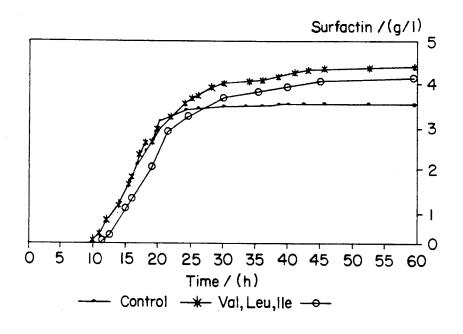
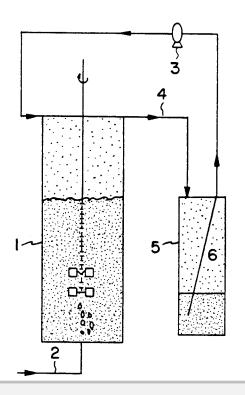


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