Efficacy of Edwardsiella tarda, Streptococcus iniae, Streptococcus parauberis, Vibrio anguillarum, and Tenacibaculum maritimum combined vaccine for cultured olive flounder

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Edwardsiella, Streptococcosis and Vibriosis lead to extensive losses in aquaculture worldwide. Especially, Vibrio anguillarum, Streptococcus parauberis and Tenacibaculum maritimum are the most important causative agents among the bacterial pathogens in Olive flounder aquaculture and their infections increased steadily in Korea. Fish vaccine has been commercialized since 2006, however, only S. iniae and E. tarda vaccine is available for olive flounder at present in Korea. In this study, we evaluated the efficacy of combined vaccine against E. tarda, S. iniae, S. parauberis, Vibrio anguillarum, and Tenacibaculum maritimum in cultured olive flounder. The fish divided five groups for each bacterial pathogen. One hundred fish were injected intraperitoneally with 0.1mL per fish and the other one hundred were injected with sterile PBS with same method. At 3 weeks after vaccination, all fish were divided 5 groups evenly and challenged with 5 pathogenic bacteria strains including E. tarda, S. iniae, S. parauberis, Vibrio anguillarum, and Tenacibaculum maritimum. Relative percentage of survival (RPS) after challenge was calculated by checking the accumulated mortality of each group for 21 days. RPS was 80%, 85%, 75%, 90%, and 85% against E. tarda, S. iniae, S. parauberis, Vibrio anguillarum, and Tenacibaculum maritimum respectively. This study demonstrated that the combined vaccine induced protective efficacy in olive flounders from virulent bacterial challenge.

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