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Use of *Microbacterium* sp. and *Exiguobacterium mexicanum* to improve the survival and development of *Artemia* under xenic conditions

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The effect of *Microbacterium* sp. strain 8L and *Exiguobacterium mexicanum* strain 8N was evaluated in the diet of *Artemia* under xenic conditions. Viable cultures of bacteria were provided to xenic cultures of *Artemia* in combination with *Sacharomyces cerevisiae*, cornflour or *Spirulina*, and the effect on the survival and growth was recorded. The use of these bacterial strains improves significantly the survival of *Artemia* independently of the used food ($P < 0.05$), and variable results were observed in the growth.

Palabras clave: *Artemia* *Microbacterium* *Exiguobacterium*

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