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(54) **SYNTHETIC FUSION GENE AND ITS USE THEREOF**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

The present invention discloses synthetic fusion gene comprising hex1 and pox1 genes, their process of preparation, polypeptide(s) encoded by the same and its use thereof for biological pre-treatment of biomass for the production of biodiesel.

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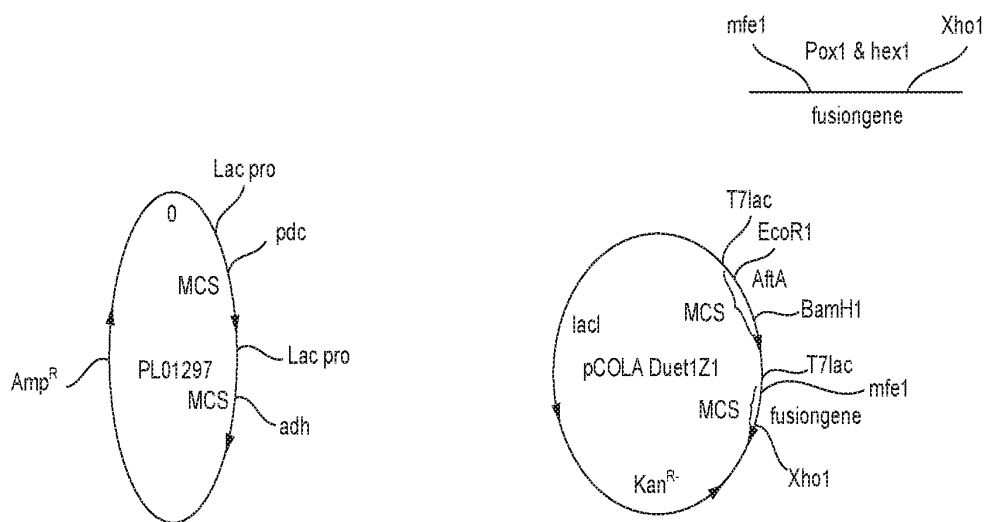


FIG. 1

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Name of the gene **pox1_and_hex1**

optimized for **Escherichia coli**

SacI MfeI

CACTATAGGGCGAATTGAAGGAAGGCCGTCAAGGCCGCATGAGCTCCAATTGATGTTTCC
 1 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
 GTGATATCCCGCTTAACTTCCTTCCGGCAGTTCGGCGTACTCGAGGTTAACTACAAAGG
M F P

AgeI HincII

GGGTGCACGTATTCTGGCAACCCTGACCCTGGCACTGCATCTGCTGCATGGCACCATGC
 61 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
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G A R I L A T L T L A L H L L H G T H A

AgeI HincII

AGCCATTGGTCCGACCGGTGATATGTATATTGTTAACGAAGATGTTAGTCCGGATGGTTT
 121 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
 TCGGTAACCAGGCTGGCCACTATACATATAACAATTGCTTCTACAATCAGGCCTACCAA
A I G P T G D M Y I V N E D V S P D G F

PvuII PvuII

TACCCGTAGCGCAGTTGTTGCACGTAGCGATCCGACCAATGGCACCAGCGAAACCT
 181 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
 ATGGGCATCGCGTCAACAACGTGCATCGCTAGGCTGGTGGTTACCGTGGTTCGCTTTGGGA
T R S A V V A R S D P T T N G T S E F L

PvuII PvuII

GACAGGTGTTCTGGTTCAGGGTAATAAAGGTGATAATTTCCAGCTGAATGTGCTGAATCA
 241 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
 CTGTCCACAAGACCAAGTCCCATTTATTTCCACTATTAAAGGTCGACTTACACGACTTAGT
T G V L V Q G N K G D N F Q L N V L N Q

FIG. 2A

GCTGAGCGATACCACCATGCTGAAAACCACAGTATTCATTGGCATGGTTTTTTTCAGAG
 301 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
 CGACTCGCTATGGTGGTACGACTTTTGGTGGTCATAAGTAACCGTACCAAAAAAAGTCTC
 L S D T T M L K T T S I H W H G F F Q S

CGGTAGCACCTGGGCAGATGGTCCGGCATTGTGTAATCAGTGTCCGATTGCAAGCGGTAA
 361 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
 GCCATCGTGGACCCGCTACCAGGCCGTAAACAATTAGTCACAGGCTAACGTTCCGCCATT
 G S T W A D G P A F V N Q C P I A S G N

CAGCTTTCTGTATGATTTTAATGTTCCGGATCAGGCAGGCACCTTTTGGTATCATAGCCA
 421 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
 GTCGAAAGACATACTAAAATTACAAGGCCTAGTCCGTCCGTGGAAAACCATAGTATCGGT
 S F L Y D F N V P D Q A G T F W Y H S H

TCTGAGCACCCAGTATTGTGATGGTCTGCGTGGTCCGTTTATTGTTTATGATCCGAGCGA
 481 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
 AGACTCGTGGGTCATAAACAATACTACCAGACGCACCAGGCAAATAACAAATACTAGGCTCGCT
 L S T Q Y C D G L R G P F I V Y D P S D

TCCGCATCTGAGCCTGTATGATGTTGATAATGCAGATACCATTATCACCCCTGGAAGATTG
 541 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
 AGGCGTAGACTCGGACATACTACAATACTACGTCTATGGTAATAGTGGGACCTTCTAAC
 P H L S L Y D V D N A D T I I T L E D W

GTATCACGTTGTGGCACCGCAGAATGCCGTTCTGCCGACCGCAGATAGCACCCCTGATTAA
 601 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
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 Y H V V A P Q N A V L P T A D S T L I N

TGGTAAAGGTCGTTTTGCAGGCGGTCCGACCAGCGCACTGGCAGTTATTAATGTTGAAAG
 661 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
 ACCATTTCCAGCAAACGTCCGCCAGGCTGGTCGCGTGACCGTCAATAATTACAACCTTC
 G K G R F A G G P T S A L A V I N V E S

FIG. 2B

CAATAAACGCTATCGCTTTTCGCCTGATTAGCATGAGCTGTGATCCGAACTTTACCTTTAG
 721 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
 GTTATTTGCGATAGCGAAAGCGGACTAATCGTACTCGACACTAGGCTTGAAATGGAAATC
N K R Y R F R L I S M S C D P N F T F S

PstI

BspMI

CATTGATGGTCATAGCCTGCAGGTTATTGAAGCAGATGCCGTTAATATTGTTCCGATTGT
 781 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
 GTAACCTACCAGTATCGGACGTCCAATAACTTCGTCTACGGCAATTATAACAAGGCTAACA
I D G H S L Q V I E A D A V N I V P I V

BspMI

TGTTGATAGCATCCAGATTTTTGCAGGTCAGCGTTATAGCTTTGTTCTGAATGCAAATCA
 841 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
 ACAACTATCGTAGGTCTAAAAACGTCCAGTCGCAATATCGAAACAAGACTTACGTTTAGT
V D S I Q I F A G Q R Y S F V L N A N Q

AgeI

GACCGTGGATAACTATTGGATTTCGTGCAGATCCGAATCTGGGTAGCACCGGTTTTTGATGG
 901 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
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T V D N Y W I R A D P N L G S T G F D G

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G I N S A I L R Y A G A T E D D P T T T

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 1021 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
 GAGTTCGTGGTTCGTGGCGACCTTCTTTGGTTAGACCAAGGCGACCTTTTAGGACCACG
S S T S T P L E E T N L V P L E N P G A

FIG. 2C

ACCGGGTCCGGCAGTTCGGGTGGTGCAGATATTAACATTAATCTGGCAATGGCCTTTGA
1081 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
TGGCCCAGGCCGTCAAGGCCACCACGCTCTATAATTGTAATTAGACCGTTACCGGAAACT
P G P A V P G G A D I N I N L A M A F D

AgeI

CGTGACCAATTTTGAAGTACCATTAAACGGTAGCCCGTTTAAAGCACCGACCGCACCGGT
1141 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
GCACTGGTTAAAAGTGGTAAATGTCATCGGGCAAATTCGTGGCTGGCGTGGCCA
V T N F E L T I N G S P F K A P T A P V

PstI

TCTGCTGCAGATTCTGAGCGGTGGACCACCGCAGCAAGCCTGCTGCCGAGCGGTAGTAT
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L L Q I L S G A T T A A S L L P S G S I

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Y S L E A N K V V E I S I P A L A V G G

BspMI

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1321 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
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P H P F H L H G H T F D V I R S A G S T

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T Y N F D T P A R R D V V N T G T D A N

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1441 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
ACTATTACACTGGTAAGCAAAGCAATGGCTATTAGGCCAGGCACCAAAGACGTAACGGT
D N V T I R F V T D N P G P W F L H C H

FIG. 2D

TATTGATTGGCATCTGGAAATTGGTCTGGCAGTTGTTTTTGCAGAAGATGTGACCAGCAT
 1501 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
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I D W H L E I G L A V V F A E D V T S I

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G V A K T I D K L L P H H H H H H H S

BclI

CGACCACCATCATCATTCAGATCATCATGATCACAACAACACCACCATTACCGAACATGT
 1741 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
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D H H H H S D H H D H N N T T I T E H V

TGAAGTTGATGTTGTGCGTCATGATGCGAATCATAGCCGTCGTGCCGCACCGCAACCGA
 1801 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
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E V D V V R H D A N H S R R A A P A T E

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 1861 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
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S Q P Q T V S I P C H H I R L G D F L M

FIG. 2E

PstI *AgeI*
 GCTGCAGGGTCGTCCTGTGTCAGGTGATTCGTATTAGCACCAGCTCAGCAACCGGTCAGTA
 1921 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
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L Q G R P C Q V I R I S T S S A T G Q Y

HincII *PvuII*
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 1981 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
 AGCAATAGACCCACAACCTGGACAAATGGTTTGTGCGACGTACTTCTTTTCGTCGAAATAAAG
R Y L G V D L F T K Q L H E E S S F I S

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 2041 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
 TTTAGGCCGTGGCAGTCAACAACAAGTCTGGTACGACCCAGGCCAAAAATTTGTCATAGC
N P A P S V V V Q T M L G P V F K Q Y R

AgeI
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 2101 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
 ACAAGACCTATACCGGCTACCAATAACAATGGCGTTACTGGCTTTGGCCACTACAATTTGT
V L D M A D G Y V T A M T E T G D V K Q

BclI *PstI*
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 2161 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
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G L K V I D Q S N L W S R L Q Q A F E S

Pf1MI
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 2221 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
 GCCAGCACCATCGCAAGCGCAAGACCACGACTTGCTACCACCGGTACTTGGACCGCAACT
G R G S V R V L V L N D G G H E L A V E

FIG. 2F

XhoI KpnI

AATGAAAGTTGTTTCATGGTAGCCGTCTGTAACTCGAGGGTACCCTGGGCCTCATGGGCCT
2281 -----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
TTACTTTCACAAGTACCATCGGCAGACATTGAGCTCCCATGGGACCCGGAGTACCCGGA
 M K V V H G S R L *

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2341 -----+-----+-----
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FIG. 2G

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cattcgcac tttcaccca gtattgtgat ggtcttagag gaccattcat agtatacgac 480

FIG. 3A

ccctccgac cccacctgtc cttgatgac gttgacaacg ccgacacat cattacact 540

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FIG. 3B

gacgcgaacg acaacgttac tatccgcttt gtgacggata atccaggccc atggttcctc 1440

cactgccaca ttgactggca tctcгааатс ggtcttgсgg tcgttttcgc cгааgatgtg 1500

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aggctttcга gtccggccgc ggcagcgtcc gtgtcctggt cctcaacgac ggсggccatg 2220

FIG. 3C

agctcgctgt tgagatgaag gtcgtccacg gctctcgctt gtaa

2264

FIG. 3D

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**SYNTHETIC FUSION GENE AND ITS USE
 THEREOF**

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED
 APPLICATIONS

The present application claims priority to Brunei Patent Application No. BN/N/2014/0037, entitled "Synthetic Fusion Gene and its use thereof" and filed on Apr. 3, 2014, the contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference.

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to synthetic fusion gene comprising hex1 and pox1 genes, their process of preparation, polypeptide(s) encoded by the same and their use thereof.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

There is a growing interest in using renewable feedstock for manufacturing biofuels, such as bioethanol, biochemical and biodiesel. As such, pre-treatment of the biomass is needed to increase the rate and/or yield of biofuel production.

Currently, the main methods used for pre-treatment are physical, such as milling, or chemical, such as acid pre-treatment. However, biological methods are a promising alternative since no harmful chemicals are used and less energy input is required.

However, pre-treatment attempts to date have fallen short of the desired economic and technical performance. Thereby, there exists a need for effective, economical pre-treatments to make these polysaccharides available at a sufficiently high yield and acceptable cost.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The present invention discloses synthetic fusion gene comprising hex1 and pox 1 genes, their process of preparation, polypeptide(s) encoded by the same and its use thereof for biological pre-treatment of biomass for the production of biodiesel.

In an embodiment, the present invention provides a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.

In another embodiment, it provides a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:2. It further describes the polynucleotide, capable of encoding a polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO. 1.

In another embodiment, the polynucleotide comprising SEQ ID NO 2 is obtained from hex 1 and pox1 gene.

In yet another embodiment, it discloses a vector comprising a polynucleotide, wherein the polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:2.

The invention further provides a method of biological pretreatment for biofuel production comprising, introducing a vector in a host cell under conditions suitable for the expression of the vector, wherein the vector comprising a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:2 which is capable of encoding a polypeptide, the polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.

It further discloses the method of biological pre-treatment for biofuel production, wherein the polypeptide is capable of hydrolysing lignocellulosic biomass.

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The present invention solves the long standing need of pure biological treatment, removing the need of any additional physical or chemical pre-treatment step. Further, since polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:2 is a pure biological agent there is no hazard to the environment.

The present invention, also provides quick and cheaper method of pre-treatment of biomass as nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:2 can be replicated and can be used two or more times.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

FIG. 1 shows the plasmid containing synthetic fusion gene along with biodiesel producing gene.

FIG. 2A shows the first part of polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence according to the present invention encoded by the synthetic fusion gene comprising hex1 and pox1 genes. FIG. 2B shows the second part of polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence. FIG. 2C shows the third part of polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence. FIG. 2D shows the fourth part of polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence. FIG. 2E shows the fifth part of polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence. FIG. 2F shows the sixth part of polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence. FIG. 2G shows the seventh part of polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence. SEQ ID NO: 1 is referred by bold letter in sequence listing and SEQ ID NO: 2 is referred by light letters in sequence listing.

FIG. 3A shows the first part of polynucleotide sequence of synthetic fusion gene comprising hex1 and pox1 genes. FIG. 3B shows the second part of polynucleotide sequence of synthetic fusion gene comprising hex1 and pox1 genes. FIG. 3C shows the third part of polynucleotide sequence of synthetic fusion gene comprising hex1 and pox1 genes. FIG. 3D shows the fourth part of polynucleotide sequence of synthetic fusion gene comprising hex1 and pox1 genes. (SEQ ID NO: 2)

DEFINITIONS

The term "polypeptide" corresponds to any chain of amino acids, regardless of length or post-translational modification (glycosylation or phosphorylation).

The term "polynucleotide" corresponds to any genetic material of any length and any sequence, comprising single-stranded and double-stranded DNA and RNA molecules, including regulatory elements, structural genes, groups of genes, plasmids, whole genomes and fragments thereof.

The term "nucleic acid molecule" is intended to indicate any single- or double stranded nucleic acid molecule of cDNA, genomic DNA, synthetic DNA or RNA, PNAS or LNA origin.

The term "plasmid", "vector system" or "expression vector" means a construct capable of in-vivo or in-vitro expression.

The term "host cell" in relation to the present invention includes any cell that comprises either the nucleic acid molecule or an expression vector as described above and which is used in the production of polypeptide having the specific properties as defined herein or in the methods of the present invention.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE
 INVENTION

For the purpose of promoting and understanding of the principles of the invention, reference will now be made to

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embodiments and specific language will be used to describe the same. It will nevertheless be understood that no limitation of the scope of the invention is thereby intended, such alterations and further modifications in the disclosed process, and such further applications of the principles of the invention therein being contemplated as would normally occur to one skilled in the art to which the invention relates.

Reference throughout this specification to "one embodiment" "an embodiment" or similar language means that a particular feature, structure, or characteristic described in connection with the embodiment is included in at least one embodiment of the present invention. Thus, appearances of the phrase "in one embodiment", "in an embodiment" and similar language throughout this specification may, but do not necessarily, all refer to the same embodiment.

The present invention discloses synthetic fusion gene comprising hex1 and pox1 genes, their process of preparation, polypeptide(s) encoded by the same and its use thereof for biological pre-treatment of biomass for the production of biodiesel.

The invention further discloses that the synthetic fusion gene was constructed using bioinformatics tools to help complete hydrolysis of lignocelluloses of Laila paddy into glucose for the production of biodiesel from (husk/straw) of Laila paddy.

The present disclosure relates to a polypeptides comprising an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1 as referred by bold letter in sequence listing of FIG. 2A, FIG. 2B, FIG. 2C, FIG. 2D, FIG. 2E, FIG. 2F, and FIG. 2G.

In another aspect, the disclosure provides a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:2. It further describes the polynucleotide, capable of encoding a polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1.

It further discloses that, the polynucleotide comprising SEQ ID NO: 2 is obtained from hex1 and pox1 gene.

In order to produce a polypeptide, it discloses a vector comprising a polynucleotide, wherein the polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2.

The invention further provides a method of biological pre-treatment for biofuel production, wherein the polynucleotide comprising SEQ ID NO: 2 is included in an expression cassette and/or cloned into a suitable expression vector by standard molecular cloning techniques. The expression cassette or vector is introduced into a suitable expression host cell, which then expresses the corresponding polypeptide comprising SEQ ID NO: 1.

It further discloses the method of biological pre-treatment for biofuel production, wherein the polypeptide is capable of hydrolysing lignocellulosic biomass.

The present invention solves the long standing need of pure biological treatment, removing the need of any additional physical or chemical pre-treatment step. Further, since polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:2 is a pure biological agent there is no hazard to the environment.

The present invention, also provides quick and cheaper method of pre-treatment of biomass as nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2 can be replicated and can be used two or more times.

In an embodiment, the present invention arranges synthetic fusion gene to help complete hydrolysis of lignocelluloses of Laila paddy into glucose for production of biodiesel from husk/straw of laila paddy. The invention arranges Hex1 and Pox1. Hex1 is a fungi which is mainly used for hydrolysis of cellulose and hemicelluloses in pretreatment. Pox1 is a mushroom which is used to break down lignin in

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lignocelluloses. The invention joins Hex1 and Pox1 together by arranging their cDNA nucleotides to construct new synthetic fusion gene.

In another embodiment, end codon of *Trichoderma reesei* (hex 1) is spliced and start codon of *Pleurotus sojar caju* (pox1) is attached to it by synthetic arrangement of nucleotides. *Pleurotus sojar caju* (pox1) stop codon act as end codons for both genes. Therefore, fusion gene work as a single gene having both properties of hex 1 and pox 1.

For any Production of Biodiesel/micro diesel from ligno cellulose (Cellulose, hemicellulose & lignin) it is necessary to do a pre-treatment. However, no additional pretreatment process is required when novel fusion gene is used and fermentation step can be carried out without pretreatment. Synthetic fusion gene can be placed in same plasmid along with other gene used for production of biodiesel.

A Pre-treatment is a phase in which the lignocelluloses materials such as wood or straw is amenable to hydrolysis. Pre-treatment technique has been generally divided into physical, chemical and biological. Physical Treatment includes Milling and Grinding, Chemical Treatment includes Using Acids or alkali, and Biological Treatment includes mostly using Rot Fungi in combination with Physical treatment. However using the synthetic gene there is no need for a pre-treatment as the fusion gene is placed in the same plasmid along with biodiesel producing gene. Hence, hydrolysis of ligno cellulose takes place along with biodiesel production during fermentation.

Generally lignocelluloses has to undergo first a Combined pretreatment (Physical, Chemical, and an expensive Enzymatic treatment) prior to fermentation process. However the pre-treatment does not break the lignin or through some enzymes only partial breakdown of lignin is achieved. Thus a major part of lignin remain intact which is also a carbon source that is wasted. The present invention is a one step process in which invitro enzymatic pretreatment resulting from fusion gene hex1pox1 & fermentation takes place in the same medium. Also complete breakdown of lignin is achieved thereby increasing the production of biodiesel as all sources of carbon from lignocelluloses are utilized.

In another embodiment, Aerobic Fermentation was used. Fermentation flask was immersed in a temperature controlled water bath maintained at 37° C. and stirred at 250-280 rpm for 24 hours. pH was maintained within the range of 6.8 to 7. Lower temperatures upto 30 deg C. was tried, the growth of bacteria was not seen in the medium. Higher temperature yielded a turbid medium within 6 hours indicating full growth however resulted a very low yield. Thus 37 deg C. was the optimal temperature which resulted in the best yield.

The synthetic fusion gene comprises of hex1 and pox1 gene by synthetic arrangement of nucleotides, wherein hex1 and pox1 helps in hydrolysis of cellulose, hemicelluloses and lignin. The synthetic fusion gene helps in complete hydrolysis of lignocellulose into glucose without the use of any pre-treatment method for biodiesel production from paddy.

In another embodiment, the synthetic fusion gene can also be used as a pure biological pre-treatment tool for any production of micro diesel. The Synthetic gene is also used in p Cola duet 1 Z.

In another embodiment Genes hex1 and pox1 play the role of degradation of lignocellulose.

In an embodiment, the invention may be used on Biomass to produce biofuel. The biomass includes Laila paddy, husk and straw. *Oriza sativa* having same chemical component or

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any lignocellulose biomass having same component with different ratio can also be used as biomass.

In an embodiment, Fad E. del *E. coli* is used as host organism. Gene is optimized for *E. coli*. For other host organism like mammalian, insect and yeast expression a KOZAK sequence is recommended to the upstream of the construct.

In another embodiment, other gene that are combined with pox1 hex1 are pdc, adh, and aft A. pdc & adh help in production of ethanol and aft A helps in the conversion of ethanol into biodiesel). Thus these gene (pdc, adh, aft A) complement fusion gene in producing biodiesel not in any hydrolytic process of lignocellulose.

Construction of Synthetic Fusion Gene:

Tricoderma reesei (hex1) is a fungi which is mainly used for hydrolysis of cellulose and hemicelluloses in pre-treatment and *Pleurotus sojar caju* (pox1) is a mushroom which is used to breakdown lignin in lignocelluloses. These two particular genes hex1 and pox1 play the role of degradation in these fungi. In the present invention, hex 1 and pox1 were joined together by arranging their cDNA nucleotides, to construct new synthetic fusion gene. Here end codon of *Tricoderma reesei* (hex 1) was spiked and *Pleurotus sojar caju* (pox1) start codon was attached to it by synthetic arrangement of nucleotides. The stop codon of *Pleurotus sojar caju* (pox 1) acts as end codons for both the genes. Thus, the fusion gene works as single gene having both properties.

SPECIFIC EMBODIMENTS ARE DESCRIBED BELOW

A polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1 as referred by bold letter in sequence listing of FIG. 2A, FIG. 2B, FIG. 2C, FIG. 2D, FIG. 2E, FIG. 2F, and FIG. 2G.

FURTHER SPECIFIC EMBODIMENTS ARE DESCRIBED BELOW

A polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2 as referred by light letter in sequence listing of FIG. 2A, FIG. 2B, FIG. 2C, FIG. 2D, FIG. 2E, FIG. 2F, and FIG. 2G.

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Such polynucleotide(s), capable of encoding a polypeptide, the polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO. 1.

Such polynucleotide(s), wherein the SEQ ID NO 2 is obtained from hex1 and pox1 gene.

FURTHER SPECIFIC EMBODIMENTS ARE DESCRIBED BELOW

A vector comprising a polynucleotide, the polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2.

FURTHER SPECIFIC EMBODIMENTS ARE DESCRIBED BELOW

A method of biological pre-treatment for biofuel production comprising: introducing a vector in a host cell under conditions suitable for the expression of the vector, wherein the vector comprising a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:2 which is capable of encoding a polypeptide, the polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.

Such method(s), wherein the polypeptide is capable of hydrolysing lignocellulosic biomass.

INDUSTRIAL APPLICABILITY

The present invention discloses the method of biological pre-treatment for biofuel production, wherein the polypeptide is capable of hydrolysing lignocellulosic biomass.

Further, the present invention solves the long standing need of pure biological treatment, removing the need of any additional physical or chemical pre-treatment step. Further, since polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2 is a pure biological agent there is no hazard to the environment.

Furthermore, the present invention, also provides quick and cheaper method of pre-treatment of biomass as nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2 can be replicated and can be used two or more times

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What is claimed is:

1. A polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, wherein the polypeptide is capable of hydrolysing lignocellulosic biomass.
2. A polynucleotide comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:2.
3. The polynucleotide as claimed in claim 2, capable of encoding the polypeptide, the polypeptide comprising amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1.
4. The polynucleotide as claimed in claim 2, wherein the SEQ ID NO: 2 is obtained from *Trichoderma reesei* (hex 1) and *Pleurotous sojar caju* (pox 1) gene.
5. A synthetic fusion gene comprising *Trichoderma reesei* (hex1) and *Pleurotous sojar caju* (pox1) wherein the hex1 and the pox1 are joined together by arranging their cDNA nucleotides.
6. The synthetic fusion gene of claim 5 wherein:
end codon of the hex1 is spliced and start codon of the pox1 is attached to the spliced end condon of the hex 1 by synthetic arrangement of nucleotides.

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