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## The Role of Microbial Biomaterials on Drug-Resistant pathogens

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**Statement of the Problem:** The most common endocrine disease in the United States is the diabetes. Most of diabetic patients experienced wound infections. The speed of the infection and the intensive increase of drug-resistant pathogens highlighted the need for new therapeutic strategies. The purpose of this study is to investigate the inhibition effects of algae-based biomaterials on the growth of the pathogenic strain *Staphylococcus aureus* in suspension- and biofilm-based cultures. **Methodology & Theoretical Orientation:** First, a pure culture of *Microcystis aeruginosa* was mixed with pathogenic culture. Second, the algae-based biomaterials were extracted from pure culture of *Microcystis aeruginosa* and applied on *Staphylococcus aureus* biofilm for 24, 48, and 72 hours. The growth of the pathogen was monitored daily and measured as Colony-forming units (CFU) per ml. Then, the extracted biomaterials were characterized for their shape, size using the TEM and the Nano analyzer, respectively. **Findings:** The growth of *Staphylococcus aureus* was significantly inhibited as a result of treatments compared to control samples. The inhibition effect of the extracted biomaterials was dose depended. The extracted biomaterials have circular to oval shaped with 100 nm size. **Conclusion & Significance:** Algae-based biomaterials significantly reduced the growth of the tested drug-resistant pathogen. This novel green strategy provides the opportunity to assess wound infections for diabetics in vivo and open the area for friendly-environmental products. The current antibiotics-related drugs possess multiple problems such as 1) their inability to totally inhibit the growth of drug-resistant bacteria, 2) they are expensive because most are synthetic products, and 3) they can be toxic when discharged into the environment. As a result, these natural products will be of interest to the research and industrial communities because it overcomes the challenges of known antibiotics.

### Biography

Marwa Gamal Saad is from Washington State University, USA. The author of Biomaterials extracted from the blue-green alga *Microcystis aeruginosa* inhibited the growth of pathogenic bacterium.