

## Microbial nitrogen and phosphorus recovery from industrial effluent

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### ABSTRACT

The biological nutrients removal of beverage (treated and untreated) effluent was examined in this study by using the potential strains of bacteria and fungus. After one week of incubation, these bacteria and fungus showed the high removal competence; bacteria removed nitrogen  $99.90 \pm 0.4\%$  and fungus  $81.25 \pm 0.8\%$  in treated effluent whereas phosphorus removed about  $99.95 \pm 0.7\%$  by bacteria and  $95.69 \pm 1\%$  by fungus (Initial concentration of nitrogen  $3200 \pm 0.5$  mg/l and phosphorus  $4400 \pm 2$  mg/l). Next, bacteria removed nitrogen  $99.93 \pm 0.5\%$  and fungus  $99.95 \pm 1.2\%$  in untreated effluent whereas phosphorus removed about  $99.81 \pm 1\%$  by bacteria and  $99.85 \pm 0.8\%$  by fungus (Initial concentration of nitrogen  $4400 \pm 0.6$  mg/l and phosphorus  $2600 \pm 1$  mg/l). The physiochemical composition of treated and untreated effluent such as PH, total proteins, total carbohydrates, total solids were also investigated in the before and after treatment of both samples.

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