## In silico Experiments of a Capnophilic, Mannheimia succiniciproducens MBEL55E for the Enhanced Production of Succinic Acid

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This study presents an in-depth study on the organism behavior of Mannheimia succiniciproducens, the cell growth rate and succinic acid production rate, under varying rumen gas conditions. Constraints-based flux analysis of the genome-scale metabolic model of M. succiniciproducens was employed to estimate intracellular fluxes and the exchange fluxes across the cellular system associated with the metabolism of  $H_2$  and  $CO_2$ . Results from fermentations performed previously and constraints-based flux analyses of M. succiniciproducens in this study revealed that there is a limit of  $CO_2$  level in the medium for the increment in the cell growth rate. Furthermore, uptake rates of  $H_2$  and  $CO_2$  from the medium have a direct relationship with one another, significantly influencing the rates of cell growth and succinic acid production as a result [This work was supported by the Korea Science and Engineering Foundation (KOSEF) grant funded by the Korea government (MOST) (No. M10309020000-03B5002-00000). Further supports by LG Chem Chair Professorship, Microsoft and IBM SUR program are appreciated.]