

Supplementary Information

Table S1. Change in pH of medium with incubation time by mixed microbial community

Incubation time	CONT	NF	OF	ICM	INORG
0 day	6.45a	6.30ab	6.00bc	6.23abc	5.83c
7 days	2.46defg	2.82d	2.62def	2.70de	2.62def
14 days	1.68i	2.32efg	2.15gh	1.76hi	2.38efg
21 days	1.79hi	1.59i	1.45i	2.23fg	1.78hi

Cells bearing same alphabet are statistically at par

TableS2. Change in pH of medium with incubation time by bacterial community

Incubation time	CONT	NF	OF	ICM	INORG
0 day	7.31a	6.88a	6.92a	7.00a	6.96a
7 days	5.51c	5.44c	5.54c	5.42c	6.05b
14 days	3.32de	3.15def	3.54d	3.08defg	3.06efg
21 days	2.80fg	2.95efg	3.15def	2.73fg	2.67g

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