



High-Quality Draft Genome Sequence of *Xanthomonas* sp. Strain CPBF 424, a Walnut-Pathogenic Strain with Atypical Features

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ABSTRACT We report here the draft genome sequence of *Xanthomonas* sp. strain CPBF 424, isolated from a diseased walnut tree. Multilocus sequence analysis showed that this walnut-pathogenic isolate is located between the nonpathogenic *X. arboricola* and *X. prunicola* clusters. These features make this strain a promising reference to disclose new genetic determinants of pathogenesis.

The *Xanthomonas arboricola* species complex includes numerous phytopathogenic bacteria comprising different pathovars capable of infecting a wide range of plants (1–3) and causing severe disease symptoms and serious economic losses in important crops (4). Recently, particular attention has been given to *X. arboricola*-related strains shown to be phylogenetically distinct from pathogenic *X. arboricola* pathovar strains (5–8). *Xanthomonas* sp. strain CPBF 424 was isolated in April 2016 from asymptomatic dormant buds of a diseased walnut tree in Loures, Portugal, with common symptoms of walnut bacterial blight. Multilocus sequence analysis (MLSA) of the concatenated partial sequences of the *atpD* (750 bp), *dnaK* (759 bp), *efp* (339 bp), *fyuA* (684 bp), *glnA* (675 bp), *gyrB* (735 bp), and *rpoD* (586 bp) genes confirmed the strain's identity as a *Xanthomonas* sp., revealing that strain CPBF 424 is located between the nonpathogenic *X. arboricola* and *X. prunicola* clusters and diverges from *Xanthomonas arboricola* pv. juglandis strains, i.e., walnut-pathogenic bacteria, and from other *X. arboricola* pathovars (9). Pathogenicity tests on walnut plantlets further showed that CPBF 424 is pathogenic to walnut trees (10, 11), making this strain particularly appealing to provide new insights into xanthomonad pathoadaptations.

Here, we make available the whole-genome sequence of *Xanthomonas* sp. strain CPBF 424.

Xanthomonas sp. strain CPBF 424 was grown on bacterial culture medium M2 (yeast extract, 2 g liter⁻¹; Bacto peptone, 5 g liter⁻¹; NaCl, 5 g liter⁻¹; KH₂PO₄, 0.45 g liter⁻¹; Na₂HPO₄ 12H₂O, 2.39 g liter⁻¹) at 28°C and 100 rpm for 48 h. DNA was extracted for sequencing using the E.Z.N.A. bacterial DNA purification kit (Omega Bio-tek, Norcross, GA). Genomic library preparation and genome sequencing were outsourced to GATC Biotech, AG (Konstanz, Germany) and conducted using an Illumina HiSeq platform with 2 × 150-bp paired-end reads, which resulted in 12,672,550 reads of raw sequence data with a sequencing coverage of 776×. *De novo* genome assembly was obtained with MIRA version 4.0 (12) using standard settings in accurate mode. This was followed by

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contig reassembly using SeqMan Pro from the Lasergene genomics package version 12.1.0 (DNASTar, Madison, WI) with Pro assembler parameters and read mapping using SeqMan NGen with standard settings to check for inconsistencies (overlapping contig extremities with no or low coverage with paired-read inconsistencies). A total of five irregularities were found on which contigs were broken open per the initial *de novo* assembly. Contigs were ordered using the Move Contigs function in Mauve 20150226 version 10 (13, 14) according to the genome of *X. arboricola* pv. *juglandis* CFBP 2528 (GenBank accession number [NZ_JZEF00000000](https://ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nuccore/NZ_JZEF00000000)) (15). Automatic genome annotation was performed with a *Xanthomonas* genus database using the Prokka software tool version 1.12 (16).

The *Xanthomonas* sp. CPBF 424 genome had a total size of 4,896,146 bp and a G+C content of 65.89% represented by 10 contigs with an N_{50} value of 1,029,447 bp. The genome of CPBF 424 is estimated to be composed of 4,143 coding sequences (CDS), including 58 tRNAs and 4 rRNAs. Preliminary analysis with the EDGAR version 2.0 platform (17) allowed us to detect 3,502 coding sequences that are shared between CPBF 424 and *X. arboricola* pv. *juglandis* CFBP 2528, which was used as the reference genome.

The whole-genome sequence of strain CPBF 424 may contribute to elucidating new walnut pathoadaptations within the genus *Xanthomonas*.

Data availability. This whole-genome shotgun project has been deposited in DDBJ/ENA/GenBank under the BioProject accession number [PRJEB27248](https://ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/bioproject/PRJEB27248) (SRA accession number [ERR2767968](https://ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sra/ERR2767968)), and the sequence accession number is [UIHB00000000](https://ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nuccore/UIHB00000000). The version described in this paper is version UIHB01000000.

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