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**Keywords:** *CRX* gene, effector, FOC, *Fusarium*, phylogeny, *SIX* gene

**Abbreviations:** FOC: *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *cepae*, *SIX*: Secreted In Xylem, *CRX*, VCG: Vegetative Compatible Group, SAHN: Sequential Agglomerative Hierarchical Nested Cluster Analysis

**Running title:** New Strains of Pathogenic FOC in Shallots of Indonesia

## INTRODUCTION

*Fusarium oxysporum* Schlecht emend. Snyder and Hansen are soil-borne fungi that are able to adapt and are found in various types of soil both in the tropics, temperate, and desert areas (Agrios 2005). *F. oxysporum* strains spread as land dwellers that are able to survive as saprophytes, degrade lignin and complex carbohydrates, and can survive in soil organic particles. *Fusarium* wilt and root rot caused by members of the *Fusarium oxysporum* complex (FOC) species are the main obstacles to the production of horticulture plants throughout the world.

*F. oxysporum* can be found globally (Akagi et al. 2009) and is one of the most important pathogens included in the genus *Fusarium*, which ranks 5th in the list of 10 main pathogens that have scientific and economic significance for plants (Aoki T, O'Donnell 1999). *F. oxysporum* consists of more than 150 host-specific plant pathogen sub-species (Arie et al. 2000), known as forma speciales (ff. Spp. Singular forma specialis, abrv. F. Sp.). Genome mapping and sequencing of *Fusarium* species have successfully revealed the plasticity of the chromosome number of the species, which ranges from 4 to 17 chromosomes (Bluhm et al. 2007; Coleman et al. 2009). Every one forma specialist can cause disease in a narrow range of host plant species and can be divided into racial groups or patotypes and VCG groups (Baayen et al. 2000).

*Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *cepae* is one of the special formae of *F. oxysporum* (Burgess et al. 1994) which causes basal rot of onions (*Allium cepa*) (Entwistle 1990), both on garlic (*Allium sativum*) and onion (*Allium cepa* var. *ascalonicum*) (Cramer 2000). This fungus was reported to attack shallots and cause leaf twisting disease in Sri Lanka (Kuruppu 1999), and in Indonesia (Tondok 2001). *F. oxysporum* f. sp. *cepae* causes basal rot in onions in Iran (Rabiei-Motlagh et al. 2010) and causes rot on garlic tubers (Jepson 2008). Pathogens infect the root or basal plate of the bulb. Further infections usually occur at the end of the growing season, and the most severe losses are experienced in postharvest storage.

Some vegetative compatibility groups (VCG) in f. sp. *cepae* showed the presence of genetic variation in this forma, because VCG can be considered a different clonal lineage in the population of *F. oxysporum* (Kistler 1997). This diversity shows that the pathogenicity of various strains of *F. oxysporum* has evolved to onion plants. Formae speciales are often of polyphyletic origin (Baayen et al. 2000), and pathogenic strains may share a higher level of sequence similarity of

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48 conserved genes with strains that are nonpathogenic or pathogenic toward another host (Kistler et al. 1997; Lieven et al.  
49 2009). Information about the pathogenicity genes associated with the *F. oxysporum* will be very useful to better  
50 understand the complexity of *F. oxysporum* and can further be considered in engineering plants resistant to pathogenic  
51 *Fusarium*. However, to discriminate of *F. oxysporum* forma speciales is uneasy, and often managed through laborous and  
52 time-intensive disease assays (Recorbet et al. 2003; Covey et al. 2014; Lieven et al. 2009). Molecular detection approaches  
53 are therefore highly desired.

54 Diagnostics based on genes like that encoding translation elongation factor 1-alpha (EF1  $\alpha$ ) or the ribosomal intergenic  
55 spacer (IGS) are proven to be only useful to discriminate between fungal species (Cennis et al. 2003, Haegi et al. 2013) but  
56 often unreliable to discriminate on forma speciales (Zhang et al. 2005, Haegi et al. 2013, Lin et al. 2010). Several  
57 molecular markers based on genomic region have been developed ie. RAPD, SCAR, but the markers are suboptimal for  
58 forma speciales discrimination because they are not necessarily required for virulence and are often little to no sequence  
59 data available in public databases for comparison with other sequences. The robustness of the markers can be verified only  
60 by screening against a large collection of strains (Lieven et al. 2009).

61 Molecular studies on *Fusarium oxysporum* complex has shown an association between forma speciales and genes  
62 related to pathogenicity. This is very interesting, because the identification based on pathogenicity genes has not been done  
63 much on *F. oxysporum* f. sp. *cepae*. It was recently shown that host specificity is associated with the suite of effector genes  
64 present in the genomes of *F. oxysporum* strains (van Dam P et al. 2016). Both presence-absence polymorphisms and the  
65 sequence type of individual effector genes turned out to be predictive for a strain's host range. These genes therefore form  
66 the most solid base for discrimination of formae speciales within the *F. oxysporum* species complex (FOSC) (Recorbet  
67 2003; Lieven et al. 2009). Indeed, use of virulence genes to identify fungal plant pathogens has proven successful in the  
68 past for other *Fusarium* species (Hogg et al. 2007; Mbofung et al. 2011). Within the FOSC, this approach has been applied  
69 to distinguish *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *cubense* tropical race 4 by targeting a candidate effector gene (Aguayo et al.  
70 2017). Additionally, *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *lycoferici* and *F. oxysporum* f. sp. *cubense* can be discriminated from  
71 other formae speciales through the use of PCR primers designed to detect specific *Secreted In Xylem* (SIX) effector gene  
72 sequences (Van Der Does et al. 2008; Lieven et al. 2009; Fraser-Smith 2014.).

73 This study aimed to characterize the isolates of *Fusarium oxysporum* from various shallots in Indonesia based on the  
74 existence of genes associated with their pathogenicity (effectors) consists of *SIX3*, *SIX5*, *SIX7*, *SIX9*, *SIX10*, *SIX12* and  
75 *SIX14*. And also based on new putative effectors genes : *CRX1*, *CRX2* and *C5*.

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## 76 MATERIALS AND METHODS

### 77 Study area

78 The study was conducted at the green house and microbiology laboratory of the Indonesian Center for Agricultural  
79 Biotechnology and Genetic Resources Research and Development (ICABIOGRAD), Bogor  
80 (6°03'31.58"S;106°47'07.37"E, 221mabovesealevel), in 2017.  
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### 82 Procedur

#### 83 Isolation, morphology and identification of the causal fungi

84 The plants were washed under running tap water. Sections of diseased tissues were surface sterilized in 70% ethanol  
85 for 30 s followed by 30 s in 0.5% (v/v) NaOCl, then rinsed in sterile distilled water and air-dried on sterile filter paper. The  
86 disinfected pieces were cut into 3–5 mm pieces, placed on *F. oxysporum* selective agar medium (Komada 1975) and  
87 incubated for 8–14 days at 25°C. After 2 or 3 days, *Fusarium*-like colonies were observed, and hyphal tips of the colonies  
88 were transferred to potato dextrose agar (PDA). The pure cultures of the isolates were obtained using a single-spore culture  
89 technique (Leslie and Summerell 2006). Representative isolates were maintained on PDA plants. Macroscopic and  
90 microscopic characteristics of the pure cultures were studied on PDA and synthetic nutrient agar (SNA; Leslie and  
91 Summerell 2006) cultures, and the species were identified using illustrated keys (Nelson et al. 1983; Leslie and Summerell  
92 2006).

#### 93 Genomic DNA extraction

94 In order to obtain DNA from each of the identified FOC, single-spore from fifteen isolates of selected FOC were  
95 grown for five days at 25°C in Potato Dextrose Agar (PDA) (Difco). Mycelium (~0.1-0.2 g) was collected using sterile  
96 scalpel from PDA media and placed in eppendorf tubes. Culture cells were opened by adding 500  $\mu$ L of CTAB extraction  
97 buffer (100 mM Tris HCl (pH 8), 2% (wt/v) CTAB, 50 mM EDTA, 0.7 M NaCl, 0.17% (v/v)  $\beta$ -mearptioethanol and 1%  
98 (w/v) PVP), pre-warmed to 65°C, two glass beads added and the mixture placed in miller at a frequency of 30 sec for 5  
99 min. Samples were incubated at 65°C for 30 min in a water bath, then extracted with phenol/chloroform/ isoamylalcohol  
100 (25:24:1) and chloroform/isoamylalcohol (24:1). DNA was then precipitated by adding two volumes of absolute ethanol  
101 and pelleted by centrifugation for 15 min at 15,000g. The pellet was washed with 70% ethanol, air dried and resuspended

102 in TE buffer (10 mM Tris-HCl, 1 mM EDTA, pH 8.0). RNA was degraded by treatment with RNase A (50 lg/ml) for 30  
103 min at 37°C. DNA concentration and purity was measured using Nano Drop machine.

104 *Ampification of genomic DNA using specific primers*

105 PCR amplification was carried out for 15 *Fusarium oxysporum* isolates using published primers (Tabel 1). The  
106 amplification reactions were performed in 25 µL volumes in thin-walled PCR tubes after optimization in a PTC-100  
107 (Programmable Thermal Controller), programmed for an initial cycle of 1 min at 95°C, 5 min at 95°C, annealing at 58°C  
108 and extension 1 min at 72°C, followed by 34 cycles of 5 min at 95°C, annealing at 58°C and extension 1 min at 72°C.  
109 There was a final extension step of 5 min at 72°C followed by a cooling to 4°C until samples were recovered. Amplified  
110 products were analyzed on a 1.5% agarose gel in 1X TAE buffer (40 mM Tris acetate and 1.0 mM EDTA) and  
111 documented using Bio-Rad documentation system.

112 Molecular characterization through the detection of the presence/absence of putative effector genes was carried out by  
113 assessing all *FOC*-isolates for the presence/absence of *SIX* 3,5,7,9,10,12,14 , *C5*, *CRX1* and *CRX2*. For further  
114 investigation of the variability and polymorphism between applied markers, genotyping and scoring were also conducted.  
115 The data then analyzed using NTSys 2.02.

116 **Tabel 1.** Primers of *SIX* genes, *CRX1*, *CRX2* and *C5* genes  
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Primers	Sequence 5' – 3' (forward primer to reverse primer)	Annealing temp (0C)	Reference
SIX3	CCAGCCAGAAGGCCAGTTT /GGCAATTAACCACTCTGCC	51.1	Taylor et al. 2016 & this study
SIX5	ACACGCTCTACTACTTCA /GAAAACCTCAACGCGCCAAA	49.65	Taylor et al. 2016 & this study
SIX7	CACTTTTTCGCGGACTTGGT /CTTAGCACCCCTTGAGTAACT	48.65	Taylor et al. 2016 & this study
SIX9	GGCCAGCCCTAGTCTAACTCC /AACTTAACATGCTGGCCGTC AATCG	53.3	Taylor et al. 2016 & this study
SIX10	GTTAGCAACTGCGAGACTAGAA /AGCAACTTCTTCTTACTAGC	51.5	Taylor et al. 2016 & this study
SIX12	CTAACGAAAGTGAAAAGAAGTCCTC /GCCTCGTGGCAAGTATTGT	50.9	Taylor et al. 2016 & this study
SIX14	ACAACACCGCGAGCTAAAAAT /GCACACTCAGTGCACAAGTTC	55.65	Taylor et al. 2016 & this study
C5	AGAGTGTGAAGTGAGGACGAGGGA /CTACGTTGCGCTCACTATTGCCT	56.5	Taylor et al. 2016 & this study
CRX1	CACCATCTGTCTACATAAGGCCGCC /AAAGTCAAGGACCGGACCGCCG	58.35	Taylor et al. 2016 & this study
CRX2	TTAGTCGCACATCTACCATCACTG /GGAGTCGATCTAACTTCAGG	49.15	Taylor et al. 2016 & this study

119 *Sequencing the CRX2 gene and phylogenetic analysis*

120 For sequencing, selected three PCR amplicon sized of 400 -1000 bp generating from amplification of Isolate *FOC* with  
121 *CRX2* and *CRX1* primer was extracted and purified using a QIAquick PCR Purification Kit (Qiagen). The PCR products  
122 were sequenced for the DNA region coding for the *CRX2* gene using the BigDye terminator Cycle Sequencer (ABI, Foster  
123 City, CA). Custal W method (Thompson et al. 1994) was used for aligning sequences. Phylogenetic tree was build using  
124 MEGA version 7 (Tamura et al. 2011) from the partial sequences of the *CRX2* gene by maximum likelihood/neighbor-  
125 joining method. Bootstrap values were set at 1000 replicates. The phylogenetic analysis was carried out to compare the  
126 degree of genetic-relatedness of the *CRX2* gene sequences of *FOC* isolate with those available in the GenBank database.  
127 Sequences obtained with each primer set were compared to GenBank nucleotide sequences by using nucleotide-nucleotide  
128 Basic Local Alignment Search Tool (BLAST) ([www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/BLAST](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/BLAST)). Sequences were compared with closest  
129 matches in GenBank through BLAST.

130 **RESULT AND DISCUSSION**

131 **Result**

132 *Isolation, morphology and identification of the causal fungi*

133 Thirty-five strains of *Fusarium* spp. were isolated from wilted shallot plants and bulbs from diverse field collection  
134 (Table 2). All the isolates used in the present study were identified as either *F. oxysporum* (26 isolates), *F. verticillioides*

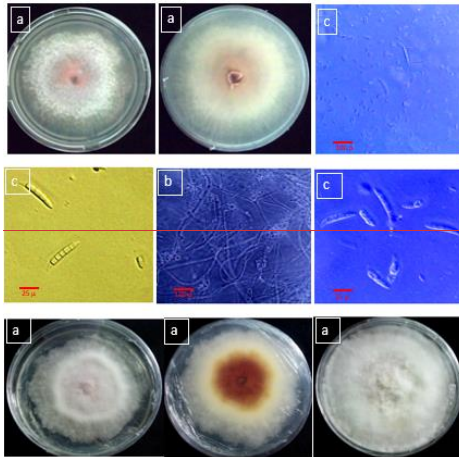


135 (2), or *F. solani* (3) and *F. proliferatum* (4) based on macro- and microscopic characteristics and were distinguished by  
 136 pigmentation on PDA as forming white, white pink and white violet colonies, respectively (Fig. 1 - 5).  
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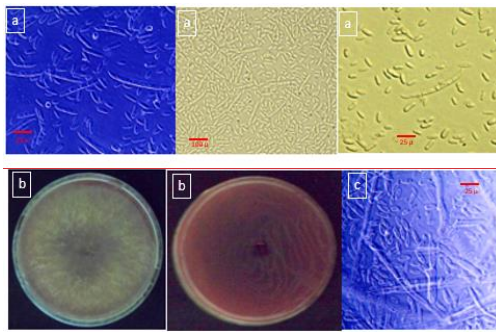
138 **Table 2.** List of isolate of *Fusarium* spp. collected in this study  
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No	Species	Isolate code	Isolate originated (material or part of plant)	Host originated (scientific name)	Host variety name/site of collection
1	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	F.sp-1*	culture collection	<i>Allium cepa</i>	unknown/Bogor- West Java
2	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	F.sp-2*	culture collection	<i>Allium cepa</i>	unknown/Bogor- West Java
3	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	F.sp-3*	Scallion leave	<i>Allium sativum</i>	unknown/Bogor- West Java
4	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	F.sp-4*	Scallion leave	<i>Allium sativum</i>	unknown/Bogor- West Java
5	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	F.sp-5*	Scallion leave	<i>Allium sativum</i>	unknown/Bogor- West Java
6	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	F.sp-6*	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	Biru lancor/East Java
7	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	F.sp-7*	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	Biru lancor/East Java
8	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	F.sp-8*	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	Biru lancor/East Java
9	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	F.sp-9*	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	Demak/ Central Java
10	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	F.sp-10*	Scallion leave	<i>Allium sativum</i>	unknown/Bogor- West Java
11	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	F.sp-11*	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	Demak/ Central Java
12	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	F.sp-12*	Scallion leave	<i>Allium sativum</i>	unknown/Bogor- West Java
13	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	F.sp-13*	Scallion leave	<i>Allium sativum</i>	unknown/Bogor- West Java
14	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	F.sp-14*	Scallion leave	<i>Allium sativum</i>	unknown/Bogor- West Java
15	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	F.sp-15*	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	Biru lancor/East Java
16	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	SP	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	Super Phillips/West Java
17	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	KTM	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	Katumi/West Java
18	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	1380	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	unknown/Bogor- West Java
19	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	13793	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	unknown/Bogor- West Java
20	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	B	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	Bima Brebes/Central Java
21	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	BL-2	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	Biru lancor/East Java
22	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	PKTIIB	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	Pikatan/ East Java
23	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	AG2A2	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	AG2/ West Java
24	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	BIO2	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	Maja Cipanas/West Java
25	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	PKTIIA	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	Pikatan/ East Java
26	<i>Fusarium oxysporum f.sp cepae</i>	PKTIIC	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	Pikatan/ East Java
27	<i>Fusarium verticilloides</i>	E-1	Scallion leave	<i>Allium sativum</i>	unknown/Bogor- West Java
28	<i>Fusarium verticilloides</i>	C-merah	Scallion leave	<i>Allium sativum</i>	unknown/Bogor- West Java
29	<i>Fusarium pallidoroseum</i>	Bio2b	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	Maja Cipanas/West Java
30	<i>Fusarium proliferatum</i>	C-kuning	Scallion leave	<i>Allium sativum</i>	unknown/Bogor- West Java
31	<i>Fusarium proliferatum</i>	Demak-1	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	Demak/Central Java\
32	<i>Fusarium proliferatum</i>	Demak-2	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	Demak/Central Java\
33	<i>Fusarium solani</i>	BL	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	Biru Lancor/East Java
34	<i>Fusarium solani</i>	E-3	Scallion leave	<i>Allium sativum</i>	unknown/Bogor- West Java
35	<i>Fusarium solani</i>	LGG	Shallot bulb	<i>Allium cepa</i>	unknown/Central Java

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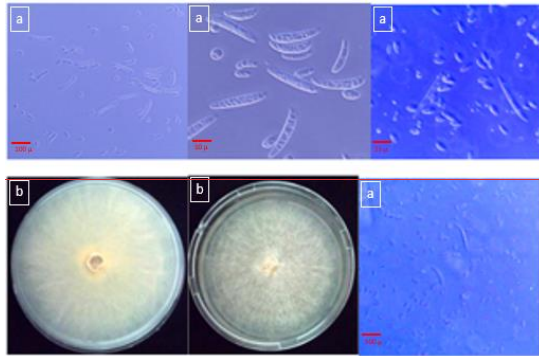
142 **Figure 1.** *Fusarium oxysporum*, (a) Colony pigmentation on PDA, (b) Chlamydoconidia and (c) Microconidia and macroconidia, size of  
 143 macroconidia and microconidia, 0.4  $\mu\text{m}$  in width  
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146 **Figure 2.** *Fusarium verticillioides* (a) Microconidia and macroconidia, (b) Colony pigmentation on PDA, size of macroconidia and  
 147 microconidia, 0.4  $\mu\text{m}$  in width (c) Monophialidic conidiophore and microconidia are abundant and. magnification for both macroconidia  
 148 and microconidia  
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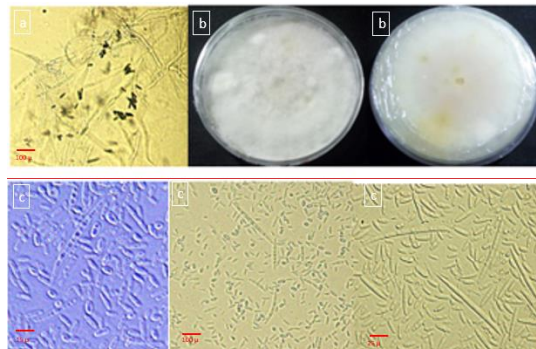
152 *Fusarium oxysporum* isolates produced white to pale violet colonies on PDA with aerial mycelia and had a cottony or  
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 154 dark violet or dark magenta. Microconidia were formed in false heads on short monophialides. Uni- or bicellular, and  
 155 ovoid to ellipsoid microconidia were abundant. Canoeshaped macroconidia with a long apical cell and a footshaped basal  
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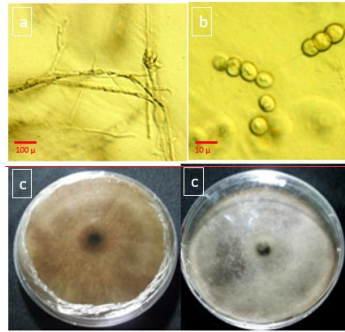
**Figure 3.** *Fusarium solani*. a) Microconidia and macroconidia, magnification for both macroconidia and microconidia, 0.4  $\mu\text{m}$  in width, (b) Colony pigmentation on PDA

*Fusarium verticillioides* colonies on PDA produced white mycelia initially and developed to dark violet pigment (almost black) with age. However, some isolates had violet or pink mycelia, similar to *F. oxysporum*. Microconidia were produced from unbranched monophialides in long chains in the aerial mycelium. All isolates of this species produced abundant microconidia that were monocellular and oval or elliptical in shape. Macroconidia were very long, slender, bent in shape, and had three to five septa with a curved or tapered apical cell. Chlamyospores were absent.



**Figure 4.** *Fusarium proliferatum*. (a) Monophialidic conidiophore and microconidia are abundant and (b) Colony pigmentation on PDA, (c) Microconidia and macroconidia, size of macroconidia and microconidia, 0.4  $\mu\text{m}$  in width.

*Fusarium solani* isolates on PDA formed cream- or white colonies, and in some isolates the undersurface was light violet. The conidia formed on false heads on elongated phialides. The oval or elliptical microconidia were mono- or bicellular. Although macroconidia were similar to those of *F. oxysporum*, they were wider than those of *F. oxysporum* and had a conspicuous wall. Their apical and basal cells were round or foot-shaped and had three or five septa.



**Figure 5.** *Fusarium pallidosoreum*. a) Monophialidic conidiophore (b) Chlamydo-spore and (c) Colony pigmentation on PDA.

**Ampification of genomic DNA using specific primers**

A total of 7 *SIX* gene primers and 3 effector primers were used for analyzing the pattern of 15 *Fusarium oxysporum* isolates from infected shallots in Indonesia (Table 3, Figure 7 and 8). The combined of 7 *SIX*-genes primers and 3 effector primers *C5* and *CRX1-2* used in the clustering analysis of 15 *FOC* isolates in this study showed that they succeeded in separating 15 *FOC* isolates into 4 groups through NTSys using UPGMA method by coefficient value 0.69. It was interesting that the isolate of *FOC* derived from scallion was separated in three different clade, i.e Clade-2, and Clade-3 (Figure 6).

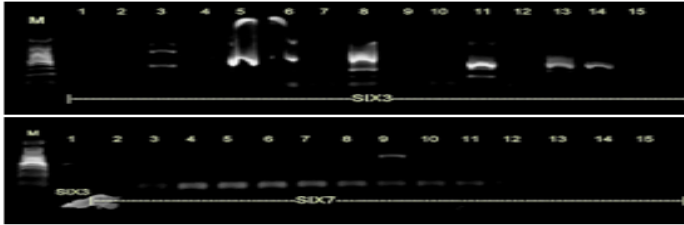
**Table 3.** Distribution of effector gene (*SIX* genes, *C5* and *CRX* genes) in *FOX* isolates

Fusarium species	Host origin	Isolate code	Pathogenicity (+/-)	SIX genes							C5	CRX1	CRX2
				3	5	7	9	10	12	14			
<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	shallot	F.sp-1	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	
<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	shallot	F.sp-2	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	
<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	scallion	F.sp-3	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	scallion	F.sp-4	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	
<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	scallion	F.sp-5	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	
<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	shallot	F.sp-6	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	
<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	shallot	F.sp-7	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	
<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	shallot	F.sp-8	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	
<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	shallot	F.sp-9	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	
<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	shallot	F.sp-10	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	
<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	shallot	F.sp-11	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	
<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	shallot	F.sp-12	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	
<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	shallot	F.sp-13	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	
<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	shallot	F.sp-14	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	
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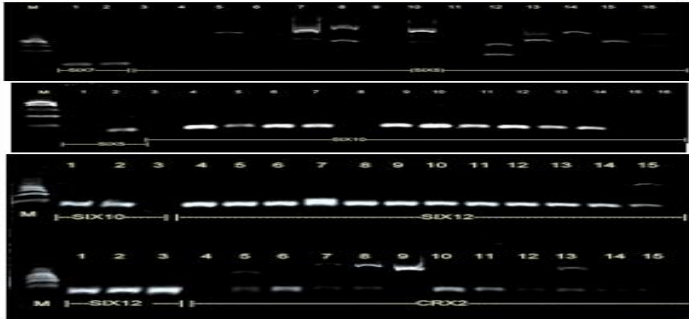
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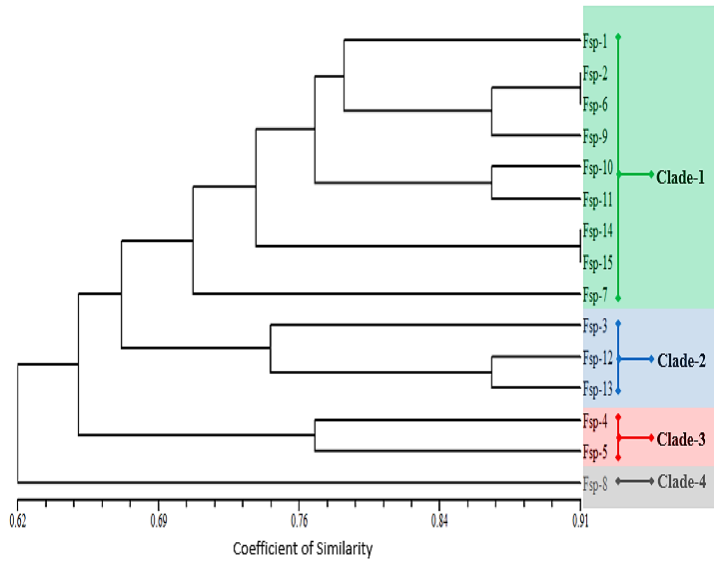
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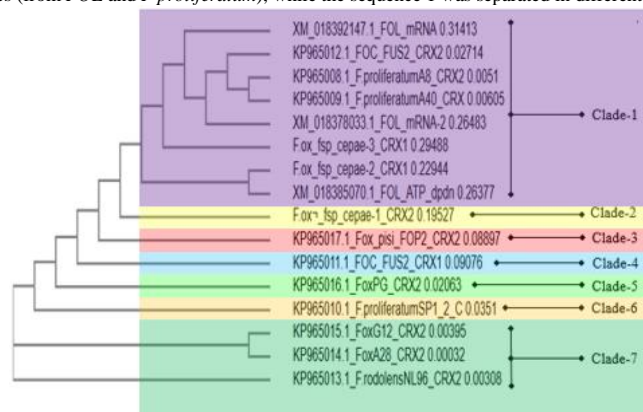
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206 and effector genes within the isolates.  
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208 Sequencing of the *CRX2* gene and phylogenetic analysis

209 Neighbour-joining tree of *Fusarium oxysporum* *CRX1* and *CRX2* genes and their homologues, using UPGMB  
210 clustering method with Kmer4\_6 distance method, running on MUSCLE version 3.8.31 showed that the three *CRX* gene  
211 sequences analyzed turned out to have different homologies (Figure 9). Sequences 2 and 3 were grouped into one cluster  
212 with others *CRX* genes (from *FOL* and *F. proliferatum*), while the sequence 1 was separated in different cluster (Figure 9).



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214 **Figure 9.** Neighbour-joining tree of *Fusarium oxysporum* *CRX1* and *CRX2* genes and their homologues, using UPGMB  
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## 217 Discussion

218 In this study, the interesting point is that the results of isolation against the source of the inoculum both in the form of  
219 infected bulbs and diseased plants were found to have various *Fusarium* species i.e.: *Fusarium solani*, *F. proliferatum*, *F.*  
220 *verticillioides*, *F. pallidosoreum*. Based on the rapid test of pathogenicity using shallot bulbs, proving that the five  
221 pathogens are pathogenic. This means that the five pathogens have the potential to cause disease in shallots.

222 For many years, it has been known so far, the only causal agent of basal plate rot in shallot was *Fusarium oxysporum* f.  
223 sp. *cepae*. This statement is reinforced by evidence that in this study, shallot from Demak was infected by *Fusarium*  
224 *proliferatum*. This is also an indication that shallot has become a host for the pathogen. Further, there is also a high  
225 probability that the cause of basal rot disease in shallots has undergone a shift, which is not only being monopoly by or  
226 specific due to *F. oxysporum* f. sp. *cepae* (*FOC*), but also can be caused by other species of *Fusarium*. To confirm this  
227 statement, opportunities for further research are open. The results will be very useful for determining policies and  
228 strategies to control this disease in the future.

229 As a comparison, since 2003 it has been reported that *F. proliferatum* is a pathogen in onions and garlic (Dugan et al.  
230 2003; Stankovic et al. 2007; Galvan 2008) in North America. As for Italy, *F. proliferatum* has recently been reported for  
231 the first time to cause rot violet basal disease in Welsh onion (*Allium fistulosum*) in 2018 (Alberti et al. 2018). Although at  
232 that time the status was minor-pathogen, but if it is not carefully managed, there is possibility that the pathogen becomes  
233 an important one. The case is similar to have happened with *F. oxysporum* f. sp. *cepa* infected shallots in Indonesia. During  
234 1997 the *FOC* was known as a minor pathogen in shallot, but has only changed its status to become an important disease  
235 since 2007.

236 It has recently been shown that host specificity is associated with a series of effector genes contained in the genome  
237 strain *F. oxysporum* (van Dam et al. 2016). The presence of polymorphism and the type of effector gene sequence of  
238 individuals can be predicted for the range of strain hosts. Therefore this gene forms the strongest basis for discrimination  
239 formae speciales in the complex species *F. oxysporum* (*FOC*) (Lievens & Thomma 2005; Lievens et al. 2009). Several  
240 reports indicate that the use of virulence genes to identify pathogenic fungal plants has been shown to be successful in the  
241 past for other *Fusarium* species (Hogg et al. 2007). In *FOC*, this approach has been applied to distinguish *Fusarium*  
242 *oxysporum* f. sp. *tropicalis* race 4 cubense targeting target effector genes (Aguayo et al. 2017). In addition, *Fusarium*  
243 *oxysporum* f. sp. *lycopericum* and *F. oxysporum* f. sp. *cubense* can be distinguished from other formae speciales through the  
244 use of PCR primers designed to detect specific gene sequences *Secreted In the Xylem* effector gene (*SIX*) sequence (van  
245 Der Do et al. 2008; Lievens et al. 2009). In this study no comparative studies were carried out for the *SIX* gene but instead  
246 tested the opportunities of *CRX2* genes and *CRX1* genes as effectors which could be used as a specific species identifier of  
247 *FOC*.

248 Unlike the *SIX* gene which has been known to have homologs in the form of other pathogens from *F. oxysporum* (van  
249 Dam et al. 2016), there is lack information about *CRX2* and *CRX1* genes. For this, the specificity of the marker cannot be

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254 forma specialis may have and do not exist or differ in sequence (at least one set) in all other strains (van Dam et al.  
255 2016). The interesting thing about this study is that the *CRX1* and *CRX2* genes found in the *FOC* isolates tested had similar  
256 levels of similarity compared to those found in other *Fusarium* species.

257 Based on the phylogeny analysis of these genes, the *CRX1* gene from *FOC* isolates tested were more clustered with the  
258 *CRX2* gene of *F. proliferatum*, as shown by isolates *FOC-2* and *FOC-3* on Clade 1 (Figure 7). The *CRX2* gene from  
259 isolates *FOC-1* occupies Clade apart from the other groups. According to van der Do et al. (2008), unlike conserved core  
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## 265 CONCLUSION

266 Molecular characterization through the detection of the presence/absence of putative effector genes was applied to 15  
267 isolates of *FOC* using 7 *SIX* genes, *C5* gene, *CRX2* and *CRX1* genes. The result showed the considerable variability  
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269 Alignment analysis between sequence from this study and sequence of gene *CRX1* and *CRX2* from ncbi database  
270 showed that the *CRX1* and *CRX2* genes as putative effector genes are potential to classify the *FOC* according to their  
271 forma speciales.

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### Abstract

The International Diabetes Federation has recorded that in 2019 there were 463 million people with diabetes globally, and it is predicted that this will continue to grow to reach 700.1 million in 2045. Indonesia's position is included in the top 10. One way to prevent hyperglycaemia is to inhibit the enzyme  $\alpha$ -glucosidase. Determination of the target of  $\alpha$ -glucosidase enzymes has been commonly used, and several drugs that have been developed are acarbose and voglibose. However, there are adverse effects. The active compounds of natural ingredients from plants have fewer side effects. One of the plants with antioxidant activity tested for  $\alpha$ -glucosidase inhibition activity is *Orthosiphon aristatus*. However, there is still no research on metabolomics combined with chemometrics to classify the composition of compounds in plants using PCA with LC-MS/MS and looking for compounds with the most role in silico studies. After extraction and identified 86 compounds with ethanol and methanol solvents produced a PC diversity of 70.3%. In vitro results also showed that the crude extract of the *O. aristatus* plant was active in inhibiting  $\alpha$ -glucosidase. In silico results prove that the best potential typical compounds are rosmarinic acid, which can be developed for further research.

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Abstract: *Curcuma zanthorrhiza*, also known as java turmeric, is a plant that has long been used as a medicinal herb. The efficacy of *C. zanthorrhiza* is primarily determined by the bioactive composition, which is dependent on many variables, including where it is grown and the different varieties of java turmeric used. In this study, we determined the metabolite profile of *C. zanthorrhiza* 70% ethanol extract using UHPLC-Q-Orbitrap-HRMS coupled with chemometrics analysis to characterize the differences between *C. zanthorrhiza* varieties (namely *Cursina-1*, *Cursina-2*, and *Cursina-3*) grown in Bogor, Cianjur, and Sukabumi, West Java, Indonesia. An estimated total of 39 metabolites has been putatively identified. These metabolites were divided into amino acids, terpenoids, phenolics, diarylheptanoids, and other organic compounds groups. Chemometric results revealed significant differences in the geographical location metabolites profiles, which *C. zanthorrhiza* varieties had little effect. This study shows that UHPLC-Q-Orbitrap-HRMS-based metabolomics is efficient for profiling *C. zanthorrhiza* across various regions.



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	The sample pretreatment and metabolite extraction steps from raw leaves into ready-injected samples should be described in the methodology.
	The sample set information, including the numbers of biological and technical replication, and the quality control samples should be provided in methods to make sure that the data set is statistically enough.
	When performing metabolomics data analysis, there are huge spectra data collected from the analysis. Filtering and clustering spectra data must be done before further analysis. These steps were crucial to perform prior to metabolite identification. However, these steps were not described in the methodology. Please include these steps in the method.
	However, the results were not delivered in a clear state, so it is difficult to follow and understand it. For example, the author describes a particular metabolite specifically present in different geographical, but the author does not describe from which treatments the metabolite is produced. It is necessary to explain the specific metabolites of <i>C. zanthorrhiza</i> which were found in this study as a result of differences in varieties and experimental fields.

	<p>In addition, significant data cited in the discussion is not present in the manuscript. It is vital that the author must provide metabolite information to understand the hypothesis raised in the discussion. It may also reconsider to analyze metabolites from the whole plant organs to get a big view of metabolites responsible in <i>C. zanthorrhiza</i></p>
	<p>References suggested in Literature Review Section should be included</p>
	<p>Other minor comments are the redundancy of word usage of metabolite and compound is applied together and all Figures were not supported in enough resolution, so it is difficult to understand the content.</p> <p>In addition, there are different font style used in the manuscript and some grammatical errors are detected.</p>

**Recommendation** : Requires Moderate Revision

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Dear Marlin Marlin,

A short note to thank you very much for your review of the following manuscript:

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Title: Metabolite profiling of *Curcuma zanthorrhiza* varieties grown in different regions using UHPLC-Q-Orbitrap-HRMS and chemometrics analysis

Your careful review is valuable to us in making a decision regarding this paper, and in contributing generally to the quality of work published in *Biointerface Research in Applied Chemistry*.

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