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ABSTRACT

The decline in rice productivity each year is partly caused by pathogens that infect rice seeds, namely the bacterium *Xanthomonas oryzae*, which causes bacterial leaf blight (BLB). One of the efforts undertaken is seed treatment before planting using environmentally friendly biological agents, specifically the application of *Paenibacillus* sp. bacteria. This study aims to determine the efficacy of seed soaking using *Paenibacillus* sp. bacteria in reducing disease intensity and enhancing rice plant growth. The research method used a completely randomized design (CRD) with four treatments: P0 = *Streptomycin* bactericide 0.2%, P1 = *Paenibacillus* sp. isolate, P2 = *Bacillus* BTH 22, P3 = *Paenibacillus polymyxa*, and five replications. The results showed that seed soaking treatment using *Paenibacillus* sp. bacteria at a dose of 20 ml/g was sufficiently effective in increasing germination rate by 91.25%, growth rate by 4.33%, and vigor index by 9.53% compared to *Bacillus* sp. BTH 22 and *Paenibacillus polymyxa* isolates. Additionally, seed soaking treatment using *Paenibacillus* sp. bacteria was able to extend the incubation period of *Xanthomonas* sp. bacteria for the longest duration of 3 HSI compared to the control treatment, with the lowest disease attack intensity of 10.21%, the highest efficacy rate of 53.32%, and the tallest plant height of 47.24 cm.

Keywords: Rice plants; seed soaking; *Paenibacillus* sp; *Xanthomonas* sp.

ABSTRAK

Penurunan produktivitas tanaman padi setiap tahun salah satunya disebabkan oleh patogen yang menginfeksi benih padi yaitu bakteri *Xanthomonas oryzae* yang menyebabkan penyakit hawar daun bakteri (HDB). Salah satu upaya yang dilakukan yaitu dengan perlakuan benih (*seed treatment*) sebelum tanam menggunakan agens hayati ramah lingkungan yaitu pemberian bakteri *Paenibacillus* sp. Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk mengetahui tingkat efikasi perendaman benih menggunakan bakteri *Paenibacillus* sp. dalam menekan intensitas penyakit dan meningkatkan pertumbuhan tanaman padi. Metode penelitian ini dilakukan dengan metode RAL (Rancangan Acak Lengkap) dengan 4 perlakuan P0 = Bakterisida *Streptomisin* 0,2%, P1 = Isolat *Paenibacillus* sp., P2 = *Bacillus* BTH 22, P3 = *Paenibacillus polymyxa* dan 5 ulangan. Hasil penelitian menunjukkan perlakuan perendaman benih menggunakan bakteri *Paenibacillus* sp. dengan dosis 20 ml/g cukup efektif dalam meningkatkan daya perkecambahan sebesar 91,25%, kecepatan tumbuh sebesar 4,33% dan indeks vigor sebesar 9,53%

dibandingkan dengan isolat *Bacillus* sp. BTH 22 dan *Paenibacillus polymyxa*. Selain itu, perlakuan perendaman benih menggunakan bakteri *Paenibacillus* sp. mampu memperpanjang masa inkubasi bakteri *Xanthomonas* sp. terlama selama 3 HSI dibandingkan dengan perlakuan kontrol dengan intensitas serangan penyakit terendah sebesar 10,21%, tingkat efikasi tertinggi sebesar 53,32%, dan tinggi tanaman tertinggi sebesar 47,24 cm.

Kata kunci: Tanaman padi; perendaman benih; *Paenibacillus* sp; *Xanthomonas* sp.

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