

Annexure A

Table 1: Relative standard deviations for various elements analyzed in UV Visible spectrophotometer (Chemito 2600) and Flame photometer (Specord)

Instrument	Parameter	Method Detection Limit	Relative standard deviation
UV-VIS spectrophotometer	Phosphorus	0.5 mg kg ⁻¹	1.60%
Flame Photometer	Potassium (K)	0.5 mg kg ⁻¹	6.20%
	Sodium (Na)	0.5 mg kg ⁻¹	4.18%

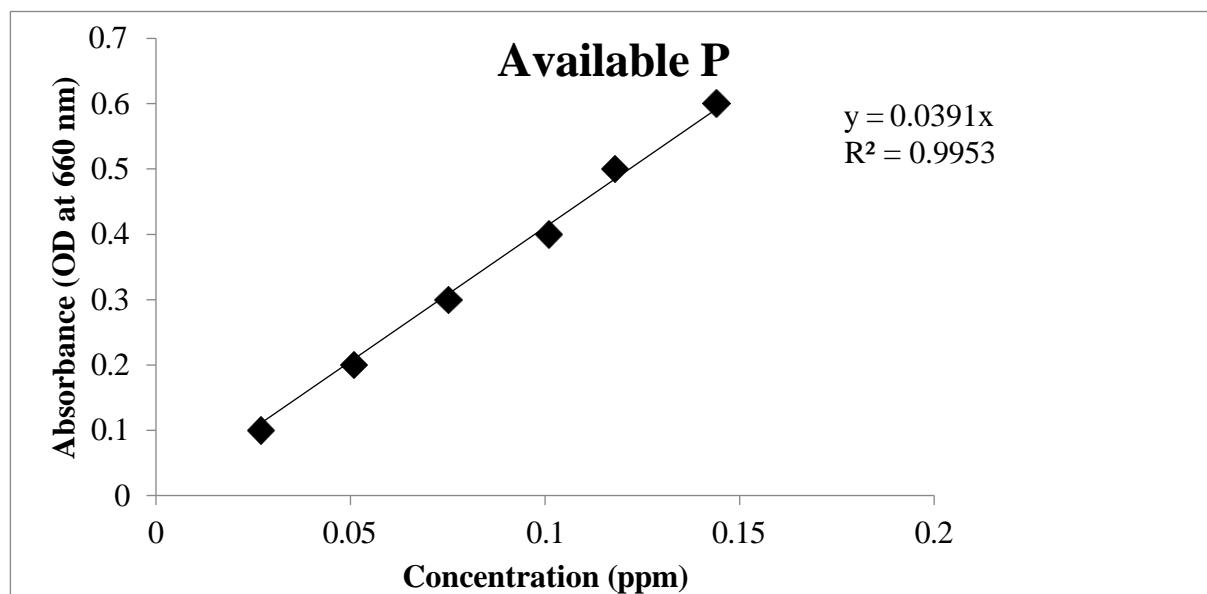


Fig. i: Calibration curve of available Phosphorus

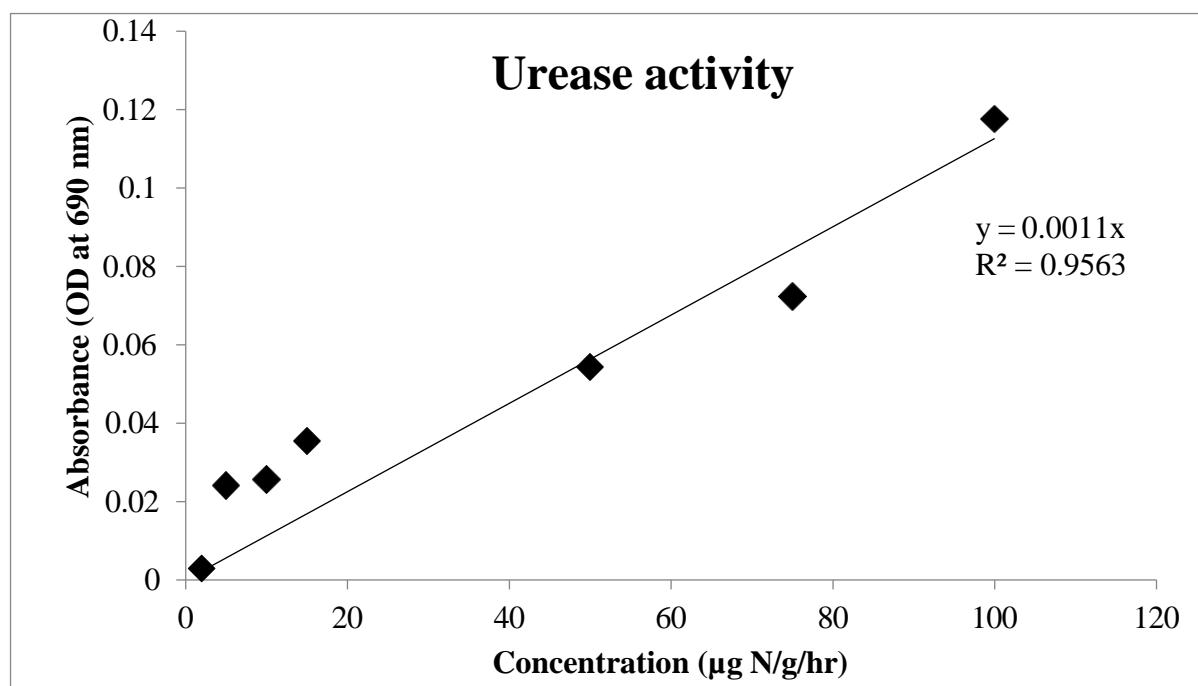


Fig. ii: Calibration curve of Urease

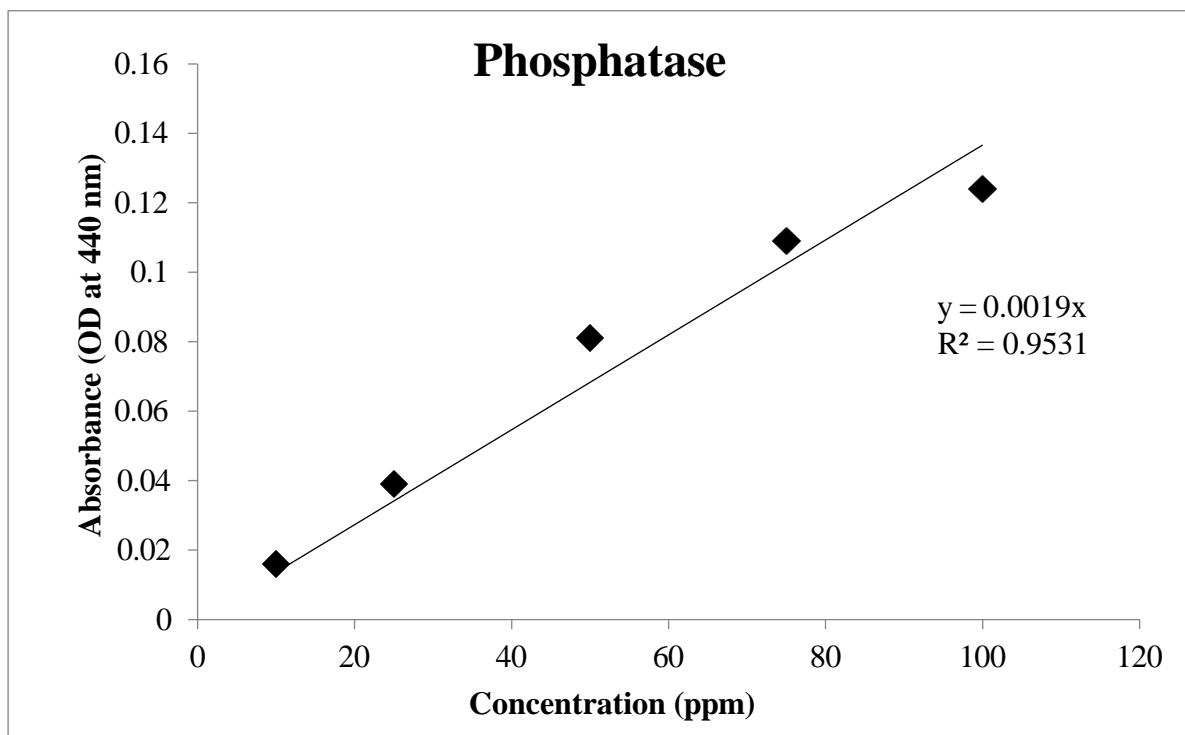


Fig. iii: Calibration curve of Phosphatase

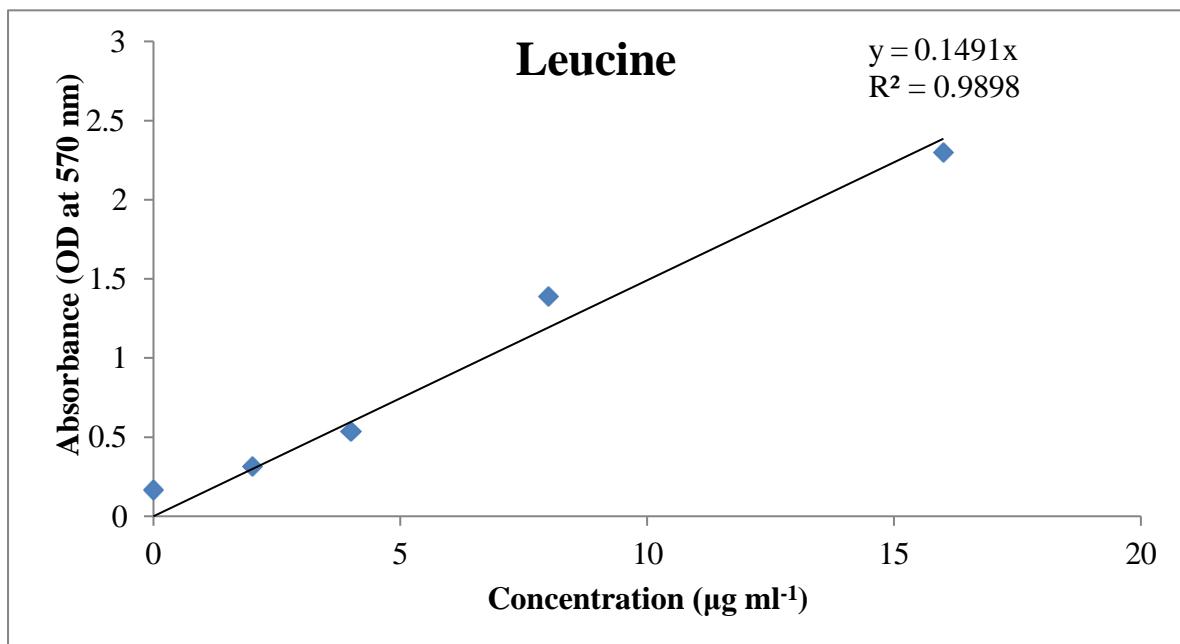


Fig. iv: Calibration curve of Leucine (Microbial biomass carbon)

PHOTOGRAPHS



Photo 1: Vermicompost unit of the university



Photo 2: Pot experiment inside the vermicompost unit



Photo 3: Microbial culture plates colony and isolated strains



Photo 4: Field experiment images

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