ABSTRACT

The study was conducted to determine the growth pattern of enteric bacteria on Probiotic fermented product and Probiotic milk drink. The samples were obtained and the isolated microorganisms (Escherichia coli, Enterobacter aerogenes, Salmonella typhi, Klebsiella oxytoca and Proteus vulgaris) were inoculated in each of the probiotic fermented product and probiotic milk drink as the control variable. Serial dilutions were made and the colony forming units/ml were measured. Results showed that after eight days of incubation, all of the enteric bacteria were significantly (p<0.05) inhibited, however Enterobacter aerogenes was reduced only to 6.01x10⁵. This means that E.aerogenes has the ability to resist the action of antimicrobial substances present in the probiotic fermented product. In probiotic milk drink, all organisms were also significantly (p<0.05) inhibited by the action of anti-microbial substances, similarly E.aerogenes was not inhibited. Even if the presence of E.aerogenes in probiotic fermented product and probiotic milk drink were observed, statistics showed that both probiotic fermented product and probiotic milk drink significantly (p<0.05) reduced the pathogenic enterics.