Chapter 3

RESULTS

According to the morphological and physiological study, 319 tested strains were identified as Candida albicans 142 (44.24%), the highest incidence, C. tropicalis 51 (15.80%), C. parapsilosis 8 (2.49%), Torulopsis glabrata 18 (5.61%). The less frequent species of Candida included the following, C. pseudotropicalis, C. krusei, C. guilliermondii, C.lambica and C. catenulata (see Table 2). The member of organism in the genus Cryptococcus, only Cr. neoformans 51 (15.89%) was isolated from human and animals sources (see Table 2). For the genus Trichosporon, there were 27 (8.41%) isolates of Tr. cutaneum and one of Tr. pullulans. In the last genus of isolated yeasts, Rhodotorula, R. rubra (2), R. graminis (9), R. glutinis (1) were found in this research (see Table 2). And the last 2 isolated strains were undifferentiated to species even based on morphological physiological characteristic but, by using morphological study on glutineous rice tween or agar, these two isolates were identified as Candida sp. Anyhow, Geotrichum was not isolated from various clinical specimens in this study. (see Table 2).

Classical and rapid carbohydrates assimilation.

For the comparative study of conventional and rapid assimilation of 15 kirds of carbohydrate it was found that Torulopsis and Candida krusei have correct result there were no false positive and

Table 2. Identification of Tested Strains

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Species	no.	source
Candida albicans	142	urine (50), throat and mouth swab (30), sputum (24),
		bronchial washing (13), vaginal
		and cervical swab (7), pus (7),
		TSC (1), CSF (1), lung autopsy
		(1), kidney autopsy (1), stool
		(1), ascytic fluid (1), and no
		data ((5).
Candida tropicalis	51	urine (15), throat and mouth
		swab (7), sputum (5), pus (4),
		stool (3), vaginal and cervical
		swab (2), bronchal washing (2),
		pericardium (1), gastric content
		(2), ascytic fluid (1), dialpion
		fluid (1), nails (1),
		hemoculture (1)
Torulopsis glabata	18	urine (13), cervical and vaginal
		swab (3), mouth and throat swab
		(2)
Candida parapsilosis	8	urine (2), throat and mouth swab
		(2), hemoculture (1), pus (1),
		sputum (1)
Candida pseudotropicalis	3	hemoculture (2), 1*

Table 2. Identification of Tested Strains (cont.)

Species	no.	source
Candida krusei	2	urine
Candida guilliermondii	1	cerebrospinal fluid
Candida lambica	1	1*
Candida catenulata	2	urine
Candida species	2	
Cryptococus neoformans	51	cerebrospinal fluid (20) animal
		droplet (21)
Trichosporch cutaneum	- 27	urine (20), sputum and lung (4),
		pus (92), tongue (1)
Trichosporon pullurans	1	pulral diffusion fluid
Rhodotorula rubra	2	urine
Rhcdotorula glutinis	1	throat + mouth swab
Rhodotorula graminis	9	nails (7), pus (2)

Total number = 321 isolates

^{*} data not received.

flase negative as shown in table 4.1 and table 4.4. Table 4.2 was the result of C. albicans, the data showed that some kind of carbohydrates were not concomitant results. These carbohydrates were sorbose (4.14% different), cellobiose (100% different), soluble starch (1.38% different) and arabinose (93.16% different). By using chi-square test of these four different values at p=0.01 it was found that only rapid assimilation of cellobiose and arabinose were significantly different from conventional method. C. tropicalis, table 4.3, only cellobiose was 7.55% different by using chi-squaretest at p=0.01 it was found that rapid cellobiose assimilation was not significant different from conventional assimilation. From table 4.4, results of C. parapsilosis, it showed that rapid assimilation of trehalose, xylose, arabinose were significantly different from conventional assimilation at p=0.01. Compared results Cr. neoformans was shown in table 4.6. It was found that rapid assimilation of galactose, trehalose, melibiose, xylose and inositol were significantly different from conventional assimilation at p=0.01.

For $\underline{\text{Tr.}}$ cutaneum, the result was shown in table 4.7, that only rapid assimilation of sorbose had significant difference from conventional assimilation. Other carbohydrates also had different results on these two methods but no significance by using p=0.01. From table 4.8, result of $\underline{\text{R.}}$ graminis, the data had shown that rapid assimilation of sorbose and xylose had significant differences from conventional assimilation.

The table 4.1 showed results of uncommon isolated species and rapid assimilation was different from conventional assimilation in some kind of carbohydrates, one of interesting carbohydrate was dulcitol which has been assimilated by C. guilliermondii by conventional assimilation but could not assimilated by rapid assimilation. The other uncommon isolated species C. catenulata; its data was not shown, also had different result between rapid and classical methods on some kindsof carbohydrate such as xylose lactose, raffinose and insitol for Tr. pullulans; galactose for R. glutinis, cellobiose, trehalose, raffinose and xylose for C. utilis; trehalose and raffinose for C. lusitanae; maltose for Cr. albidus; sucrose, maltose cellobiose trehalose, lactose, melibiose, raffinose, and soluble starch for Geotrichum candidum; trehalose, soluble starch and arabinose for R. minuta.

Carbohydrates fermentation

The 5 genera, Candida, Cryptococcus, Trichosporon, Rhodotorula, Torulopsis in medically important yeasts Candida and Torulopsis could ferment carbohydrates. All of the isolated yeasts in the genus Candida were able to ferment glucose, C. albicans 40 (28.17%) isolates could ferment galactose, 50 (39.43%) isolates could ferment trehalose, all isolates could ferment maltose, but could not ferment sucrose and lactose. All of C. tropicalis (51 isolates) were able to ferment sucrose, 2 of 51 isolates could not ferment galactose and maltose and 3 of 51 isolates could not ferment trehalose. The same as C. albicans, all isolates of C. tropicalis could not ferment

Table 3. : Characteristic of standard strain

Specie	s	INK	GT	MS	TEM	URE	K	Ch	PI	Α	Film
1 Candida albicans	ATCC 10231	-	+	+	42	-	-	+	-	+	-
	CDC 85-00000xyz	-	+	-	42	_	-	+	-	+	-
	CDC 85-035258	-	77.	-	42	-	-	-	-	-	+
	CDC 85-031853	=	-	-	37	-	σ	-	=	-	+
-	CDC 85-031998	-	-	+	37	-	-	-	-	-	27
-	CDC 85-031997	-	-	+	37	_		-	-	-	+
The state of the s	CDC MP-84-018	-	-	-	42	-	-	-	-	-	-
8 Geotrichum candidum	CDC 85-035426	-	-	-	25	-	-	-	-	-	+
9 Candida albicans	ATCC 36802	-	+	+	42	-	-	+	-	+	-
10 C.tropicalis	NIH B4295	-	-	-	42	-	-	-	-	-	+
11 C. pseudotropicalis	NIH B4296	-	-	+	37	-	-	-	-	-	1
12 C. parapsilosis	NIH B4299	-	-	-	37	-	-	-	-	-	+
13 T. glabrata	NIH G-4	-	-	-	42	-	-	-	-	_	-
14 Trichosporon beijellii	TIST 5133	-	-	-	37	+	-	-	-	-	+
15 C. lusitaniae	TIST 5156	-	-	-	37	-	-	-	-	=	-
16 C. utilis	TIST 5146	-	-	-	37	-	-	-	-	15	+
17 Pichia guilliermondii	TIST 5142	-	-	+	37	-	-	-	+	-	-
18 T. glabrata	TIST 5141	-	-		25	-	-	-	-	-	-
19 Rhodotorula rubra	TIST 5124	-	-	-	25	+		-	-	-	+
20 Cryptococcus neoformans	DUKE U.	+	-	0-	37	+		-	+	-	+
21 Cr. albidus	DUKE U.	+	- Carl	U-	25	+	+	-	-	-	+
22 Cr. laurentii	DUKE U.	+	-	-	25	+	-	-	-	-	+
23 Rh. minuta	DUKE U.	-	-	-	37	+	-	-	-	77	+
24 Trichosporon beijellii	DUKE U.	-	10	07	37	+	-	-	-	-	+

INK = INDIA INK PREPARATION

TEM = TEMPERATURE

GT = GERM TUBE TEST

URE = UREAS TEST

MS = CYCLOHEXIMIDE RESISTANCE

= POTASSIUM NITRATE ASSIMILATION

CH = CHLAMYDOSPORE PRODUCTION A

A = GROWTH IN ACID BROTH

PI = L-DOPA-PAPER STRIP TEST

FILM = FILM SURFACE FORMATION

ATCC = American Type Culture Collection

CDC = Division of Mycotic Disease,

Center for Disease Control, Atlanta

NIH = National Institute of health, Bethesda, Maryland

TIST = Thailand Institute of Scientific

and Technology Research

DUKE U. = Duke University



Table 3.1 : Characteristic of standard strain (sugar fermentation)

		FD	FG	FS	FM	FT	FL
l Çandida albicans	ATCC 10231	+	+	-	+	+	_
2 C. albicans	CDC 85-00000xyz	+	+	-	+	+	-
3 C. tropicalis	CDC 85-035258	+	+	+	+	+	-
4 C. parapsilosis	CDC 85-031853	+	+	-	_	_	-
5 C. guilliermondii	CDC 85-031998	+	+	+	-	+	-
6 C. krusei	CDC 85-031997	+	-	+	-	-	-
7 C. stellatoides	CDC MP-84-018	+	-	-	-	+	-
8 Geotrichum candidum	CDC 85-035426	-	_	-	-	_	-
9 Candida albicans	ATCC 36802	+	+	-	+	+	-
10 C.tropicalis	NIH B4295	+	+	+	+	+	-
11 C. pseudotropicalis	NIH B4296	+	+	+	-	+	-
12 C. parapsilosis	NIH B4299	+	+	-	-	-	**
13 T. glabrata	NIH G-4	+	-	-	-	+	-
14 Trichosporon beijellii	TIST 5133	_	_	-	-	4	-
15 C. lusitaniae	TIST 5156	+	-	+	-	+	-
16 C. utilis	TIST 5146	+	+	-	-	-	-
17 Pichia guilliermondii	TIST 5142	+	+	+	-	+	-
18 T. glabrata	TIST 5141	+	-	_	-	+	-
19 Rhodotorula rubra	TIST 5124	_	-	_	-	_	2
20 Cryptococcus neoformans	DUKE U.	150	-	-	-	-	-
21 Cr. albidus	DUKE U.	Ų.	2	-	-	200	
22 Cr. laurentii	DUKE U.	-	- 0	-	-	-	-
23 Rh. minuta	DUKE U.	121	7.8	2	-	-	-
24 Trichosporon beijellii	DUKE U.	-	-	_	_	_	_

FD = GLUCOSE FERMENTATION

FM = MALTOSE FERMENTATION

FG = GALACTOSE FERMENTATION

FT = TREHALOSE FERMENTATION

FS = SUCROSE FERMENTATION

FL = LACTOSE FERMENTATION

Table 3.2 : Characteristic of standard strain (Sugar assimilation)

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C 85-031997	+		-	-	_	_	т_		+	+	_	+	+	-	+
C MP-84-018	+	+	-	_	_	_	_	50		-	-	7	-	-	-
C 85-035426	+	+	+	_	100	_	_		-	7	+	+	+	-	-
CC 36802	+	+	_	+	+	_	_	700	-	-	-	+	-	-	-
H B4295	+	+	_	+	+	_	_	-		-	+	+	+	-	-
н в4296	+	+		1				-	70.	-	+	+	+	-	-
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ST 5124	+	_	_					-	-	7	-	7	-	-	-
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Table 4. Results of classical and rapid carbohydrate assimilation

Spe	ecies			T.F.	GLU	CAL	SCR	SUC	MAL	CEL	TRE	LAC	MEL	RAF	ST	XYL	APA	INO	DUL
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ç.	krusei			С	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
	(3)			R	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
c.	guillierm	ond	ii	С	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
	(3)			R	3	3	2	3	3	3	0	2	3	2	3	3	3	3	0
R.	rubra			С	3	3	2	3	3		3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
	(3)			R	3	2	3	3	3	3	2	3	3	3	3	1	1	2	2
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	SUC	=	SUCR	ROSE			MAI	=	MAI	LTOS	Ε			CEL	=	CELL	OBIO	SE	
	TRE	=	TREH	IALO	SE		LAC	7/1=	LA	CTOS	Ε, (MEL	=	MELI	BIOS	E	
	RAF	=	RAFF	INO	SE		ST	=	SO	LUBL	E ST	ARCH		XYL	=	XYLO	SE		
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Table 4.1 : Result of classical and rapid

carbohydrateassimilation test for C.

albicans Total = 145 strain (three standard strain included)

conventional rapid % DIFF. chi-square 0.00 glucose 145 145 ND 0.00 145 145 ND galactose sorbose 139 145 4.14 4.25 145 0.00 sucrose 145 ND 145 145 0.00 maltose ND 0 100.00 cellobiose 145 286.01 0.00 145 trehalose 145 ND lactose 145 145 0.00 ND melibiose 145 145 0.00 ND raffinose 145 145 0.00 ND 0.50 143 145 1.38 starch xylose 145 145 ND 0.00 93.10 arabinose 135 0 248.85 inositol 145 145 0.00 ND dulcitol 0.00 145 145 ND

[%] DIFF = % Difference

ND = Not done

Table 4.2 : Result of classical and rapid
carbohydrat assimilation test for C.
tropicalis Total = 53 strain (two
standard strain included)

co	nventional	rapid	% DIFF.	chi-square
glucose	53	53	0.00	ND
galactose	53	53	0.00	ND
sorbose	53	53	0.00	ND
sucrose	53	53	0.00	ND
maltose	53	53	0.00	ND
cellobiose	49	53	7.55	2.34
trehalose	53	53	0.00	ND
lactose	53	53	0.00	ND
melibiose	53	53	0.00	ND
raffinose	53	53	0.00	ND
starch	53	53	0.00	ND
xylose	53	53	0.00	ND
arabinose	53	53	0.00	ND
inositol	53	53	0.00	ND
dulcitol	53	53	0.00	ND

Table 4.3: Results of classical and rapid

carbohydrate assimilation tests for

Torulposis glabrata Total = 20

strains (two standard strain included)

	conventional	rapid	% DIFF.	chi-square
glucose	20	20	0.00	ND
galactose	20	20	0.00	ND
sorbose	20	20	0.00	ND
sucrose	20	20	0.00	ND
maltose	20	20	0.00	ND
cellobios	e 20	20	0.00	ND
trehalose	20	20	0.00	ND
lactose	20	20	0.00	ND
melibiose	20	20	0.00	ND
raffinose	20	20	0.00	ND
starch	20 00	20	0.00	ND
xylose	20	20	0.00	ND
arabinose	20	20	0.00	ND
inositol	20	20	0.00	ND
dulcitol	20	20	0.00	ND

Table 4.4: Result of classical and rapid carbohydrate assimilation test for C.

parapsilosis Total = 10 strain (two standard strain included)

	conventional	rapid	% DIFF.	chi-square
glucose	10	10	0.00	ND
galactos	e 10	6	40.00	2.81
sorbose	9	10	10.00	ND
sucrose	10	10	0.00	ND
maltose	10	10	0.00	ND
cellobio	se 10	8	20.00	0.56
trehalose	10	0	100.00	16.20
lactose	10	9	10.00	ND
melibiose	e 10	9	10.00	ND
raffinose	e 10	10	0.00	ND
starch	7 97 97 97	6	10.00	ND
xylose	10	0	100.00	16.20
arabinose	9	2	70.00	7.27
inositol	10	10	0.00	ND
dulcitol	10	10	0.00	ND

Table 4.5: Result of classical and rapid carbohydrate assimilation test for Cr.

neoformans Total = 52 strain (one standard strain included)

	conventional	rapid	% DIFF.	chi-square
glucose	52	52	0.00	ND
galactose	52	35	32.69	18.00
sorbose	52	52	0.00	ND
sucrose	52	52	0.00	ND
maltose	52	52	0.00	ND
cellobios	e 32	42	19.23	3.79
trehalose	52	28	46.15	28.65
lactose	52	42	19.23	8.96
melibiose	52	4	92.31	85.47
raffinose	48	43	9.62	1.41
starch	52	52	0.00	ND
xylose	44	18	50.00	24.96
arabinose	36	24	23.08	4.77
inositol	52	13	75.00	59.24
dulcitol	52	52	0.00	ND

Table 4.6: Result of classical and rapid carbohydrate assimilation test for Tr.

cutaneum. Total = 29 strain (two standard strain included)

	conventional	rapid	% DIFF.	chi-square
glucose	29	29	0.00	ND
galactose	26	23	10.34	0,53
sorbose	29	11	62.07	23.28
sucrose	29	29	0.00	ND
maltose	29	29	0.00	ND
cellobios	26	24	6.90	0.15
trehalose	26	22	13.79	1.09
lactose	25	23	6.90	0.12
melibiose	26	18	27.59	4.61
raffinose	26	17	31.03	5.76
starch	26	29	10.34	1.41
xylose	25	22	10.34	0.45
arabinose	25	23	6.90	0.12
inositol	27	28	3.45	0.00
dulcitol	29	29	0.00	ND

Table 4.7: Result of classical and rapid carbohydrate assimilation test for Rh.

graminis Total = 9 strain

	conventional	rapid	% DIFF.	chi-square
glucose	9	9	0.00	ND
galactose	9	3	66.67	6.25
sorbose	9	0	100.00	14.22
sucrose	9	9	0.00	ND
maltose	9	9	0.00	ND
cellobios	e 9	8	11.11	0.00
trehalose	9	9	0.00	ND
lactose	9	9	0.00	ND
melibiose	9	9	0.00	ND
raffinose	9	9	0.00	ND
starch	9	9	0.00	ND
xylose	9999	2	77.78	8.42
arabinose	9	3	66.67	6.25
inositol	569 119	9	0.00	ND
dulcitol	9	9	0.00	ND

lactose. For T. glabration clates), all could ferment glucose and trehalose but could not ferment galactose, sucrose, maltose and lactose. For C. parapsilosis, 5 of 8 isolates could not ferment galactose and all of C. parapsiolsis could not ferment sucrose, maltose, trehalose and lactose. For C. pseudotropicalis, all isolates could ferment galactose and maltose but could not ferment maltose, trehalose and lactose. Other isolates in the genus Candida had fit fermentation reaction as in the standard key (Table 3.1).

Urease test

All of 321 isolated yeasts had been tested for comparative study of conventional and rapid urease test. All of isolated yeasts in the genus Trichosporon, Rhodotorula, Cryptococcus neoformans and the standard strains of these 3 genera were positive for urease by using conventional and rapid urease test. There were no false positive and false negative in the rapid urease swab test

Nitrate assimilation test

All of 321 isolated yeasts had been tested for comparative study of conventional and rapid nitrate assimilation. The positive nitrate utilization yeast in the isolated yeast were Tr. pullulans and R. glutinis and also with standard strain of Cr. albidus. The result of rapid nitrate swab test and the conventional method were concomitant. In the rapid test, we could not see false positive or false negative result.

Growth in Sabouraud broth for film surface production

All isolates of Trichosporon had width film surface production while isolates of Rhodotorula and Cryptococcus had thin film surface production. One standard strain of Geotrichum had width film surface production. In the genus Candida, C. krusei (all strains gave the same result as Trichosporon. Fourty-nine (96.08%) of 51 isolates of C. tropicalis had thin film surface production. For 18 of 142 C. albicans (12.68%) produced film surface. Other isolates in the genus Candida had the same result as C. albicans.

Temperature tolerance

The three different temperatures 25°C, 37°C and 42°C were selected to use in this investigation. All isolates of C. albicans and T. glabrata could grow at 42°C. For C. tropicalis, 49 of 51 isolates had growth at 42°C. Other isolates in Candida had no growth at 42°C but grew at 37°C. For Cr. neoformans and Tr. cutaneum all isolates could not grow at 42°C. but grow at 37°C. One isolate of Tr. pullulans could grow at 25°C, at 37°C but at 42°C it could not grow. For Rhodotorula, All isolates could grow at 37°C but at 42°C it could not grow.

Germ tube test

On the study of germ tube production for rapid presumptive identification of C. albicans in pooled human serum, it was found that

Table 5. Result of other rapid methods compared with classical method

п	Method Used classical methods and morphological test no	rapid method							
		IN	GT	СН	MS	URE	К	Α	PIG
Candida albicans	145	0	140	131	142	0	0	129	0
Candida catenulata	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Torulopsis glabata	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0
Candida guilliermondi	<u>d</u> 3	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
Çandida <u>krusei</u>	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Candida lambica	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Candida lusitaniae	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Candida parapsilosis	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Candida pseudotropica	li 4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Candida sp.	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Candida tropicalis	53	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0
Candida utilis	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cryptococcus albidus	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Cryptoccccus laurenti	i 21905	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
ryptococcus neoforman	ns 52	52	0	0	0	52	0	0	52
Seotrichum candidum	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
thodotorula glutinis	6 1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
hodotorula graminis	9	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0
hodotorula minuta	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
hodotorula rubra	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
richosporon cutaneum	29	0	0	0	0	29	0	0	0
richosporon pullulans	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
NK = INDIAN INK PREPA	REPARATION		URE =		UREASE TEST				
T = GERM TUBE		K	=		POTASSIUM NITRATE				
H = CHLAMYDOCONIDIA S = RESISTANCE TO CY		: A	=	A	ASSIMILATION GROWTH IN ACIDIC PH BRO				

PIG = L-DOPA-PAPER STRIP TEST

140 isolated yeasts were positive for germ tube production and all the 140 isolates were identified as C. albicans. Five isolates of C. albican (3.45%) were negative for germ tube production. Other isolated yeasts could not produce germ tube in this study.

Chlamydoconidia production

Chlamydoconidia production for rapid presumptive identification of C. albicans on glutinous rice agar in 24 hours. There were 132 from 321 isolated yeasts positive for chlamydoconidia and 131 (90.35%) isolates were C. albicans and one was C. tropicalis. No others genera and species of the isolated yeast were positive for chlamydoconidia in this study.

Cycloheximide resistance

The resistance to cycloheximide could be used for rapid differentiation of some clinical significant yeasts. On this study we had found that 142(97.93%) isolates of C. albicans were resistance to 0.1% cycloheximide and the 3 remainder were sensitive. One isolate of C. guilliermondii was resistant to 0.1% cycloheximide. All of other species and genera were sensitive to 0.1% cycloheximide.

Pigmentation from L-DOPA paper strip test

L-DOPA paper strip test for pigment formation was used in rapid identification of Cr. neoformans. All of isolated Cr.

neoformans and standard strain had produced dark pigment when streak these yeasts on the L-DOPA paper strip after 60 minutes. No other genera and species of isolated yeasts could produce dark pigment on the L-DOPA paper. For the two standard strains of Cr. albidus and Cr. laurentii also could not produce dark pigment on the L-DOPA paper.

India ink preparation

All the Cryptococcus standard strains were positive for encapsulated yeast, It was found that only Cr. neoformans could produce capsule which could be easily detected by this simple method. The other isolated yeast could not produce capsule especially for C. albicans, the most common isolated yeast in this study.

Growth in acidic pH Sabouraud broth

After all of 321 isolated yeasts were inoculated in Sabouraud broth pH 1.5 for 24 hrs. one hundred and twenty-nine from one hundred and fourty-five (88.97%) of <u>C. albicans</u> had growth. One <u>C. parapsilosis</u> isolate had the same growth equal to <u>C. albicans</u> No isolates of <u>C. tropicalis</u> had the same growth equal to <u>C. albicans</u>. The other isolated yeasts showed negative growth in Sabouraud broth pH 1.5.