Metabolic engineering of Corynebacterium glutamicum to overproduce L-arginine

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We report a metabolically engineered *Corynebacterium glutamicum* strain for L-arginine production. Random mutagenesis was first performed to improve tolerance to L-arginine. Inactivation of arginine operon repressors, reinforced PPP flux, deletion of the *Ncgl1221* exporter gene, optimized expression levels of *argF* and *carAB* and *argGH* operon overexpression resulted in 81 g/L of L-arginine production in a 1,500 L bioreactor under fed-batch conditions. [This work was supported by the Technology Development Program to Solve Climate Changes on Systems Metabolic Engineering for Biorefineries from the Ministry of Science, ICT and Future Planning (MSIP) through the National Research Foundation (NRF) of Korea (NRF-2012-C1AAA001-2012M1A2A2026556).]