

Abstract

Provided is a bacterium belonging to *Bifidobacterium pseudocatenulatum* which is capable of utilizing xylans and is excellent in viability in a milk component-containing medium. The present invention provides a bacterium belonging to *Bifidobacterium pseudocatenulatum*, the bacterium having xylanase gene on the genome and having higher viability in a milk component-containing medium than *Bifidobacterium pseudocatenulatum* YIT 11057 (NITE BP-02930).