

Table 4 Biochemical tests of different bacteria isolated from different stations in three rivers in Al-Qurna city

| Bacterial Culture Plate (BCP) | Gram staining | Motility | Shape | Indole | Methyl Red | VP | Citrate | Urease | TSI | Catalase | Oxidase | Carbohydrate Fermentation | | | Nitrate | Identification of Bacteria |
|-------------------------------|---------------|----------|-------|--------|------------|----|---------|--------|-----|----------|---------|---------------------------|---|---|---------|----------------------------------|
| | | | | | | | | | | | | G | F | S | | |
| 1 | - | - | Rod | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | <i>Escherichia coli</i> |
| 2 | + | + | cocci | + | - | - | + | - | + | - | - | + | - | + | - | <i>Enterobacter aerogenes</i> |
| 3 | - | + | Rod | - | - | - | + | - | + | + | + | - | + | + | ± | <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> |
| 4 | + | + | cocci | - | - | + | + | - | - | + | + | + | + | + | - | <i>Enterococcus pseudo avium</i> |

Note: VP = Voges Proskauer Test; TSI = Triple Sugar Iron Test; G = Glucose Test; F = Fructose Test; S= Sucrose Test; + = Positive; - = Negative

