



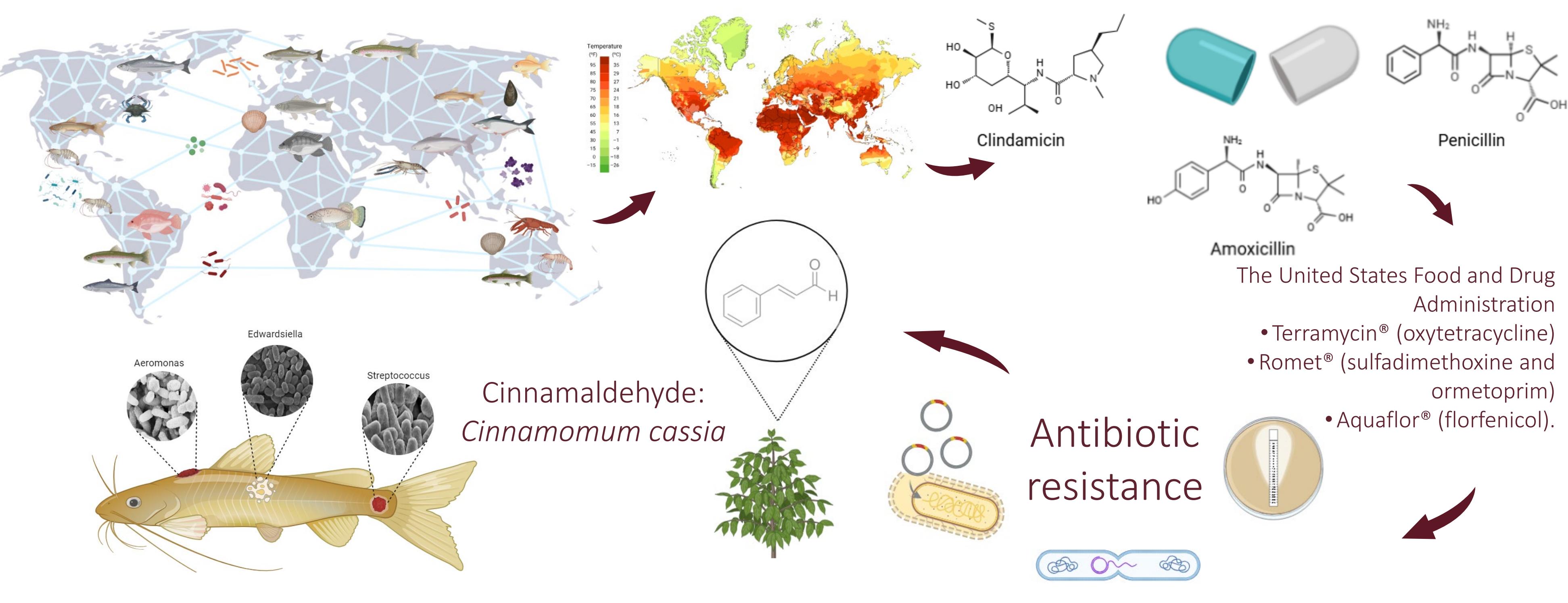
EVALUATING CASSIA OIL AS A PLANT-DERIVED DIETARY SUPPLEMENT FOR CHANNEL CATFISH *Ictalurus punctatus*

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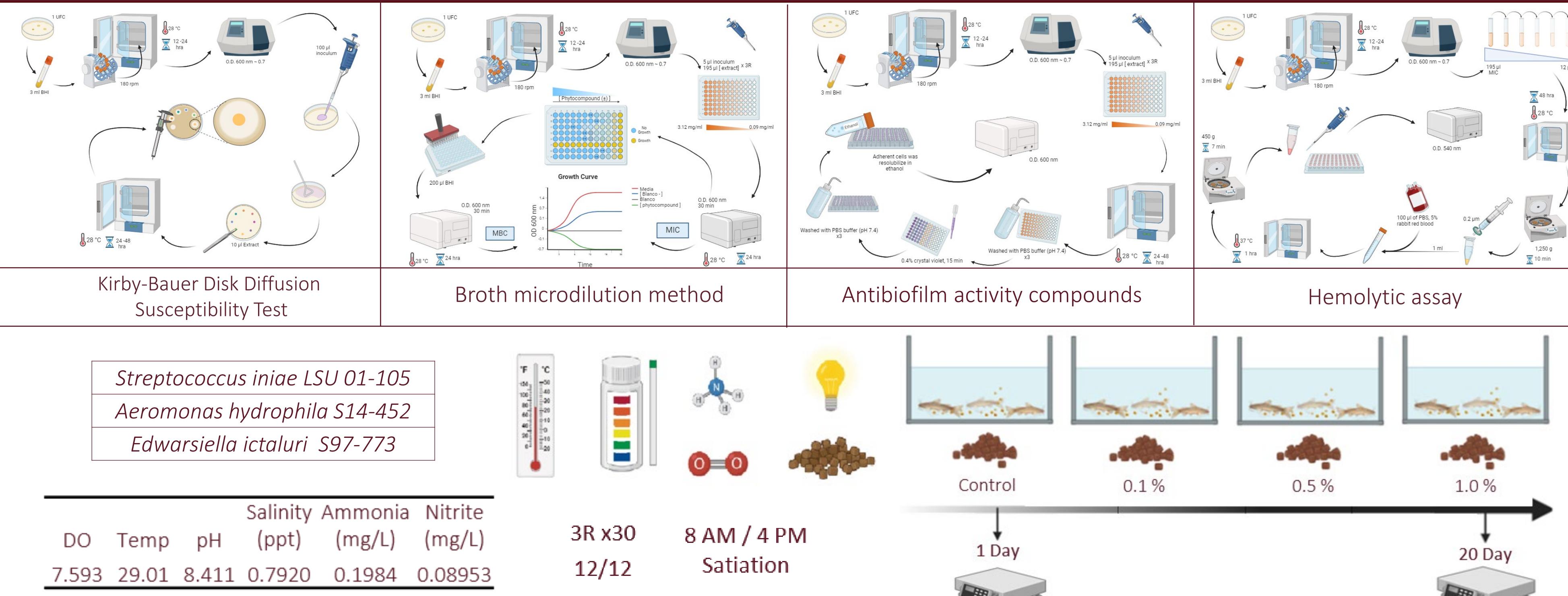
INTRODUCTION



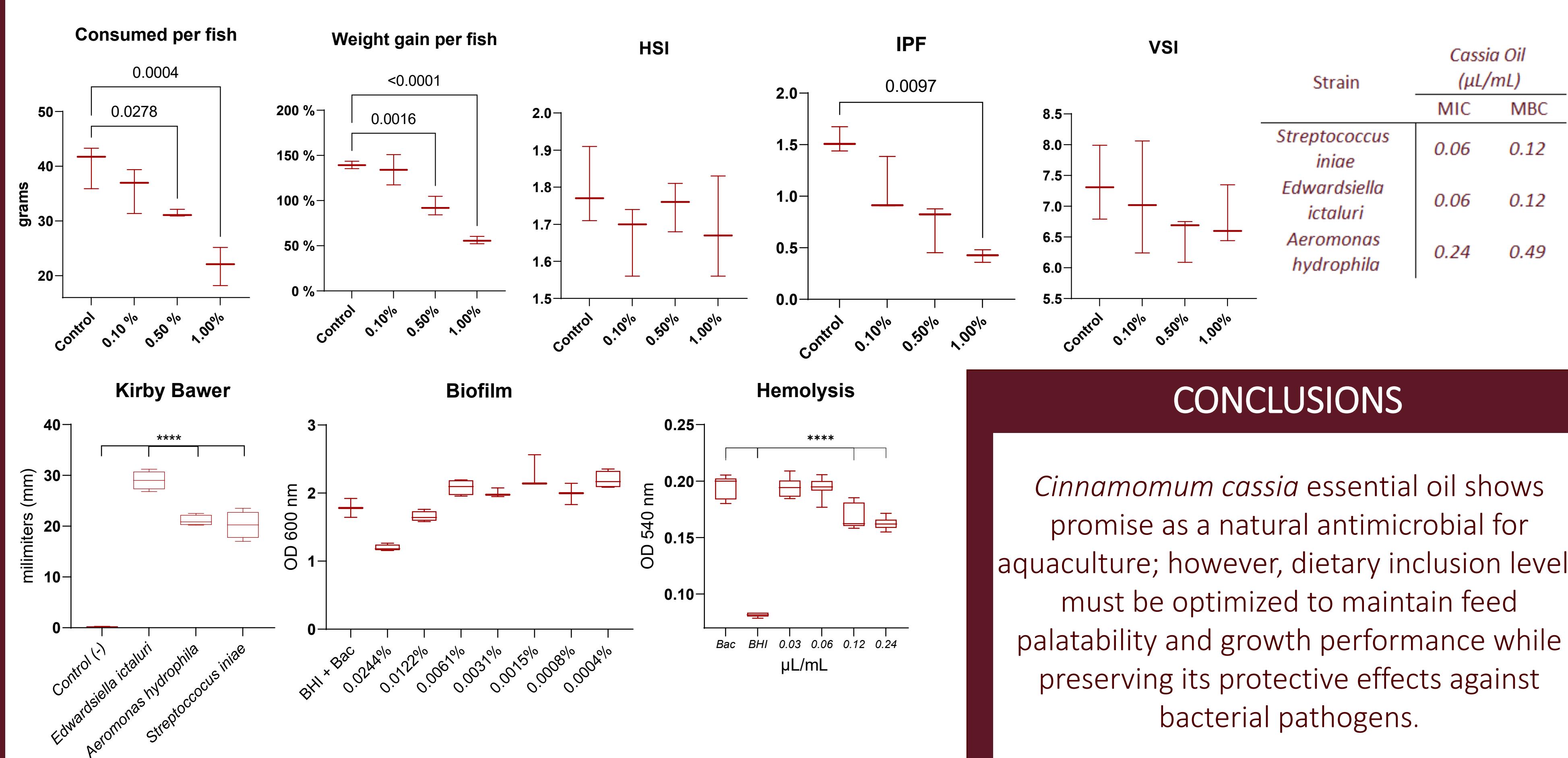
OBJECTIVES

This study aimed to evaluate the antimicrobial potential of *Cinnamomum cassia* essential oil against fish pathogenic bacteria and to investigate its effects on feed palatability, growth performance, and physiological indices in *Ictalurus punctatus* under controlled in vivo conditions.

METHODOLOGY



RESULTS



CONCLUSIONS

Cinnamomum cassia essential oil shows promise as a natural antimicrobial for aquaculture; however, dietary inclusion levels must be optimized to maintain feed palatability and growth performance while preserving its protective effects against bacterial pathogens.