

Figure 8: Positive confirmation of inoculation with *P. aspalathi* 'WSF23'+ 'WSF14' was quantified with PCR analysis of root samples from the field plots. Both the foliar spray and soil drench inoculation method resulted in successful bacterial colonization of the turfgrass roots.

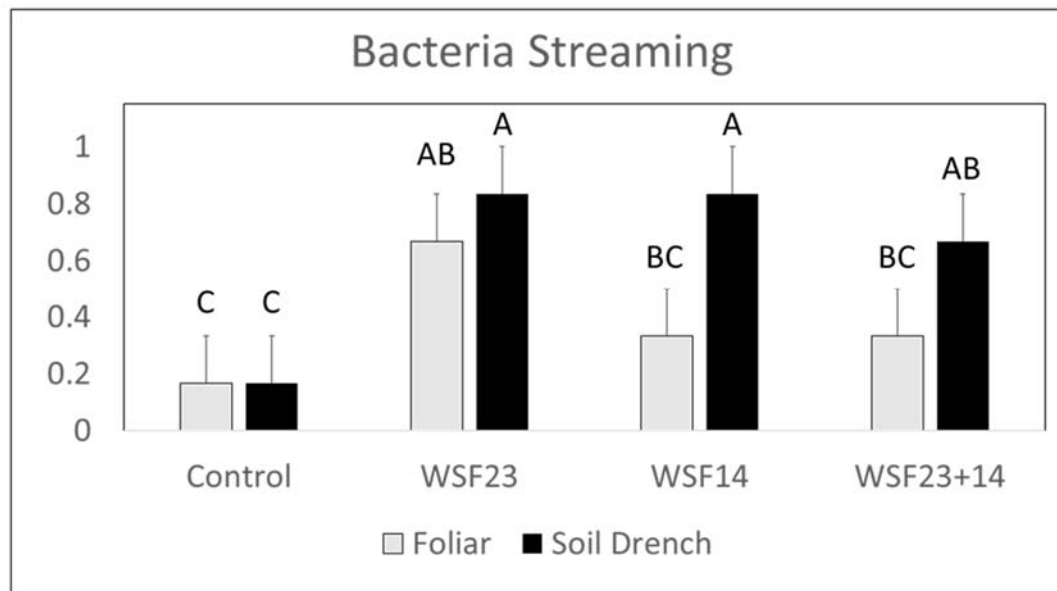


Figure 9: Bacterial streaming was higher in inoculated root samples compared to non-inoculated controls. Plants inoculated with the soil drench method demonstrated the highest degree of bacterial streaming, suggesting that to be the most effective inoculation method. (Values with different letters are significantly different at  $p < 0.05$ .)