



Supplemental Figure S1. Effects of spore suspension concentration *B. pumilus* TUAT1 strain on the growth (fresh weight) of seedlings of *O. sativa* cv. Hitomebore at 3 weeks after sowing. Inocula consisted of 4 mL of water or bacterial suspensions and were added to the soil of each seedling once weekly from just after sowing. Values are provided as mean \pm SE ($n = 8$). ** indicates significant differences at the 1% level, compared to the control-inoculated plants, as determined by t-test.