



Product Sheet

# *Thermotoga elfii* (ATCC® 51869™)

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## Intended Use

This product is intended for research use only. It is not intended for any animal or human therapeutic or diagnostic use.

## Citation of Strain

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## Description

**Designation:** SEBR 6459 [DSM 9442]  
**Deposited Name:** *Thermotoga elfii* Ravot et al.

## Propagation

### Medium

ATCC® Medium 1977: *Thermotoga elfii* medium

### Growth Conditions

**Max Temperature:** 65.0°C

**Min Temperature:** 60.0°C

**Atmosphere:** Anaerobic

### Propagation Procedure

1. Sterilize the top of the Balch tube by spraying it with 70% ethanol and then flame the top.
2. If needed exchange the gas in the test tube.
3. If the medium is pink (see *discussion about resazurin*) add 2.0 ml of reducing agent (3% cysteine, stock solution) per 100 ml of medium. Let the medium sit at room temperature for 10 to 20 minutes - until the resazurin becomes colorless - before inoculating.
4. When the Balch tube is ready to inoculate, open the vial according to enclosed instructions.
5. For inoculation, use a 1.0 ml syringe tipped with 22 gauge needle. Make the syringe anaerobic (see discussion below) and withdraw 0.5 ml of #1977 broth and use this to rehydrate the freeze-dried pellet using anaerobic techniques. Transfer the rehydrated cell suspension back to the tube of #1977 broth and incubate at 60-65°C. Plate 0.1 ml of the inoculated culture onto a non-selective medium and incubate aerobically at 37°C. Inoculate a nonselective anaerobic and aerobic broth and incubate at 60-65°C
6. Growth should be detected in the #1977 broth within 48 hours. There should be no growth detected on the aerobic plate. There should be no growth in the nonselective aerobic or anaerobic broth.

### ANAEROBIC CONDITIONS:

- a. Balch tube refers to a special type of test tube that is designed to be pressurized and is suited for anaerobic work. The Balch test tubes can be purchased from Bellco glass ([www.bellcoglass.com](http://www.bellcoglass.com); stock no. 2048-00150).
- b. Resazurin is a commonly used redox indicator that is pink when the redox potential is above 50 mv., and colorless when the redox potential is below 110 mv. i.e. highly reducing. Most strict anaerobes require this low redox potential for optimum growth.
- c. To obtain a fully reduced medium, it is necessary that the medium be anoxic and that a reducing agent be added. Common reducing agents are sodium sulfide, cysteine, dithiothreitol, and titanium citrate.
- d. Syringes can be made anaerobic by one of two methods. 1. Displace the dead space in the syringe with a sterile

## Notes

Colonies are smooth, undulate, and beige.

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