

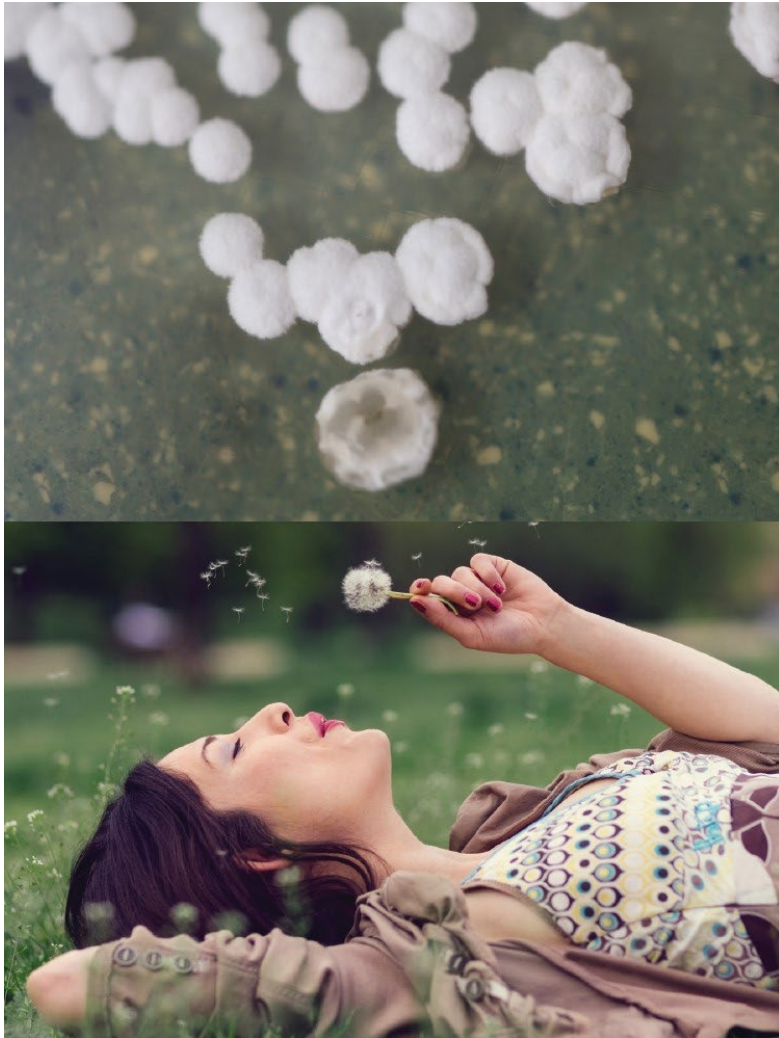
# 100 Years of Collecting Biological Materials: The Diversity of the ATCC® Collection and its use as Biological Standards

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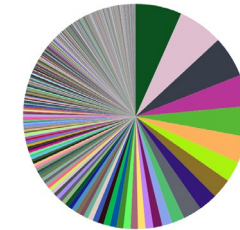
Summary

# The ATCC® Collection

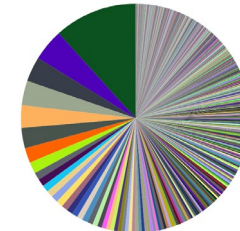


ATCC® is a global leader in providing authenticated, high-quality biological resources and standards for industry, academia, and government.

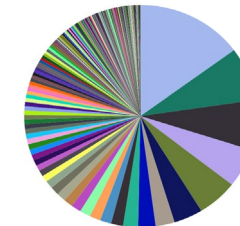
- Founded in 1925, ATCC® is a private, nonprofit, global biological resource center and standards organization
- World's trusted, premier biological materials resource and standards development organization:
  - 4,000 cell lines
  - 70,000 microorganisms
  - Genomic & synthetic nucleic acids
  - Media/reagents
  - Reference genomes
  - Advanced cell models
- Worldwide cold chain reach in >150 countries via direct ship and network of 20 distributors



Bacteriology  
1226 genera



Mycology  
1864 genera



Virology  
200 genera



# Authentication

ATCC® stocks provide reliable, authenticated, traceable material

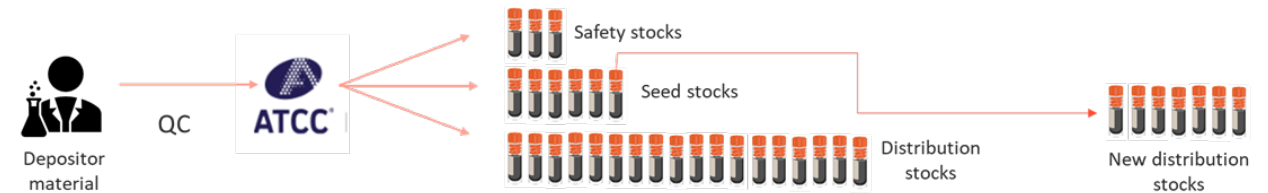


## Microbial Authentication

- Genotypic & proteotypic analyses
  - Whole-genome sequencing (ATCC® Genome Portal)
  - Marker sequencing (16S rRNA and ITS)
  - MALDI-TOF MS
- Phenotypic and functional analyses
  - Colony morphology
  - Biochemical profiling
  - Serotype
  - Antibiotic resistance
  - Virulence

## Cell Biology Authentication

- Human Cell STR Profiling
- Mouse STR Profiling
- Mycoplasma testing



# ATCC® Genome Portal

The only authenticated reference genome database for ATCC® microbes



The ATCC® Genome Portal (AGP) is a rapidly growing ISO 9001–compliant database of high-quality reference genomes from authenticated microbial strains in the ATCC® collection. Customers can easily access and download meticulously curated whole-genome assemblies for purchased strains and *Supporting Members* have full access to the AGP.

5,750

**Available reference genomes**  
as of August 2025

- Download genome assemblies for ATCC® microbes.
- Search for nucleotide sequences or genes within published genomes.
- Search for genomes by taxonomic name, taxonomic level, isolation source, ATCC® catalog number, type strain status, and biosafety level.
- View genome assembly statistics and quality metrics.
- Identify the relatedness of published genomes by total genome alignment.

A screenshot of the ATCC Genome Portal homepage. The header includes the ATCC logo, navigation links (HOME, GENOMES, SEQUENCE SEARCH, DOCUMENTATION), a "Become a Supporting Member" button, and a "LOG IN" link. The main content area features a welcome message, a search bar, and a "Recently published" section listing three entries: Cellvibrio vulgaris (ATCC® 12209™), Gallicola barnesae (ATCC® 49795™), and Pluralibacter pyrinus (ATCC® 49851™). A large, vibrant image of a DNA double helix is on the right. The footer includes the "Powered by ONE CODEX" logo and two QR codes with the text "Learn about the ATCC® Genome Portal" and "Visit the ATCC® Genome Portal".

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HOME GENOMES SEQUENCE SEARCH DOCUMENTATION

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Welcome to the ATCC Genome Portal

The only authenticated reference genome database for ATCC microbes

[VIEW ALL GENOMES >](#)

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New genomes are released at the end of every quarter.

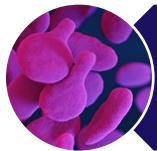
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# Standards and Controls

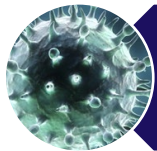
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Pharmaceutical Testing



Mycoplasma Testing



Water Testing



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Standards Development

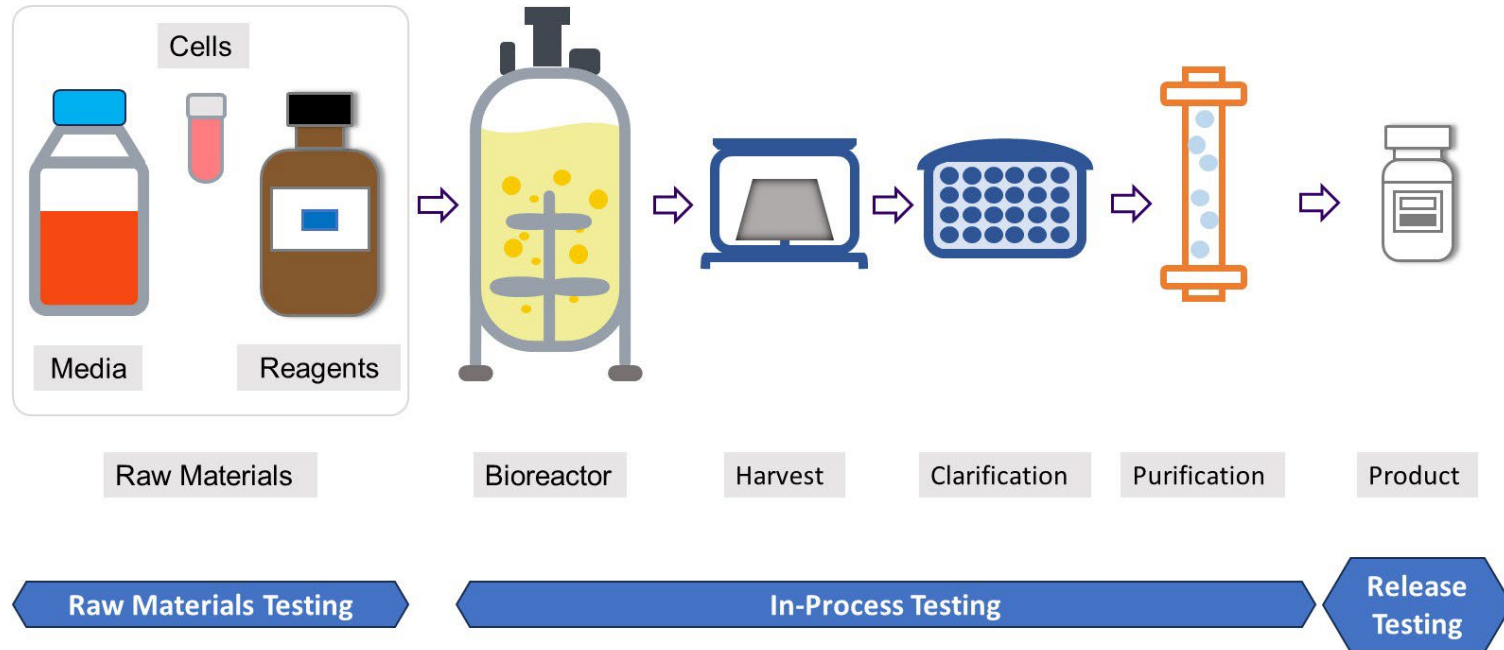


In 2007, ATCC® became the first biological resource organization to become accredited by **American National Standards Institute (ANSI)** as a Standards Development Organization (SDO).

ATCC published the following voluntary consensus standards:

- Standardization of In Vitro Assays to Determine Anthrax Toxin Activities (ASN-0001)
- Authentication of Human Cell Lines: Standardization of Short Tandem Repeat (STR) Profiling (ASN-0002)
- Species-Level Identification of Animal Cells through Mitochondrial Cytochrome C Oxidase Subunit 1 (CO1) DNA Barcodes (ASN-0003)

# Bioproduction Tools



Learn about our tools for  
bioproduction



## Bioproduction cell lines and microbes

- Protein production cell lines
- Enhanced virus production cell lines
- Antibiotic production microbes
- Organic Acid production bacteria
- Biofuel production microbes

## Reference materials for testing for contaminants during bioproduction

- Host cell DNA
- Microbial certified reference materials
- MicroQuant™ by ATCC® (USP <51> <60>, <61>)
- Viral reference materials
  - Lentivirus
  - Human Adenovirus 5
  - Recombinant AAV2 and AAV8

# MicroQuant™ by ATCC®



**Innovation** Quantitative pellet created by an internally developed proprietary cryopreservation innovation



**Value Add** Storage at 2°C to 8°C. Rehydrates rapidly and uniformly at room temperature



**Intended Use** Microbial QC testing

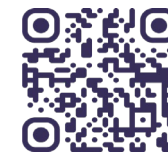


**Assays** Support for USP monographs:

- USP <51> Antimicrobial effectiveness testing
- USP <60> Tests for *Burkholderia cepacia* complex
- USP <61> Bioburden testing
- USP <62> Bioburden testing: tests for specific microorganisms
- USP <71> Sterility testing

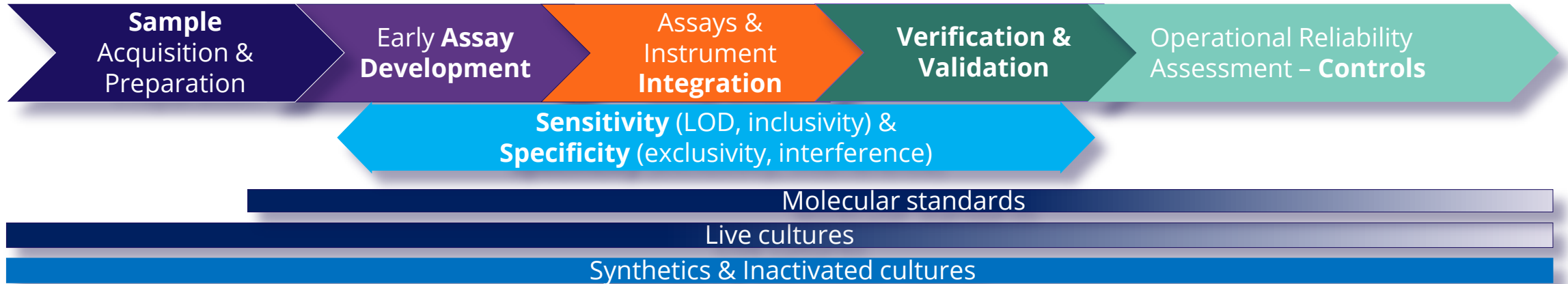


**Format** 1 kit containing :  
5 vials of cryopreserved pellets  
5 vials of rehydration buffer



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# Molecular Diagnostics Tools



Each stage of the development pipeline requires different materials → complementary materials allows for rapid assay development

Reference Material	Benefit	Disadvantage
Live microbes	Sustainable source, maintains complexity of the intact microorganism, provides entire genome	Difficulty accessing materials, biosafety
Inactivated materials	Ability to access to pathogens in BSL 1 labs	Cells may no longer perform as live microbe
Genomic DNA/RNA	Ease of access, safe to use	May not mimic live microbe
Synthetic oligonucleotides	Easy to design and synthesize, allows access to non-culturable materials	May not resemble complexity of the whole genome

Learn more about our  
genomic and synthetic  
molecular standards



# Case Study: Avian Influenza (H5N1) VR-3436SD™



- Avian influenza viruses (AIVs) are a growing global health threat
- We developed a synthetic avian influenza (H5N1) for use as a validation control in surveillance assays
  - Two transcript design covering 5 genome segments:
    - Transcript A contains HA and NP
    - Transcript B contains M1/M2, NA, and NEP/NS
- An international consortium of academic and industrial partners used our product to validate an qRT-PCR assay for surveillance of birds from Asia

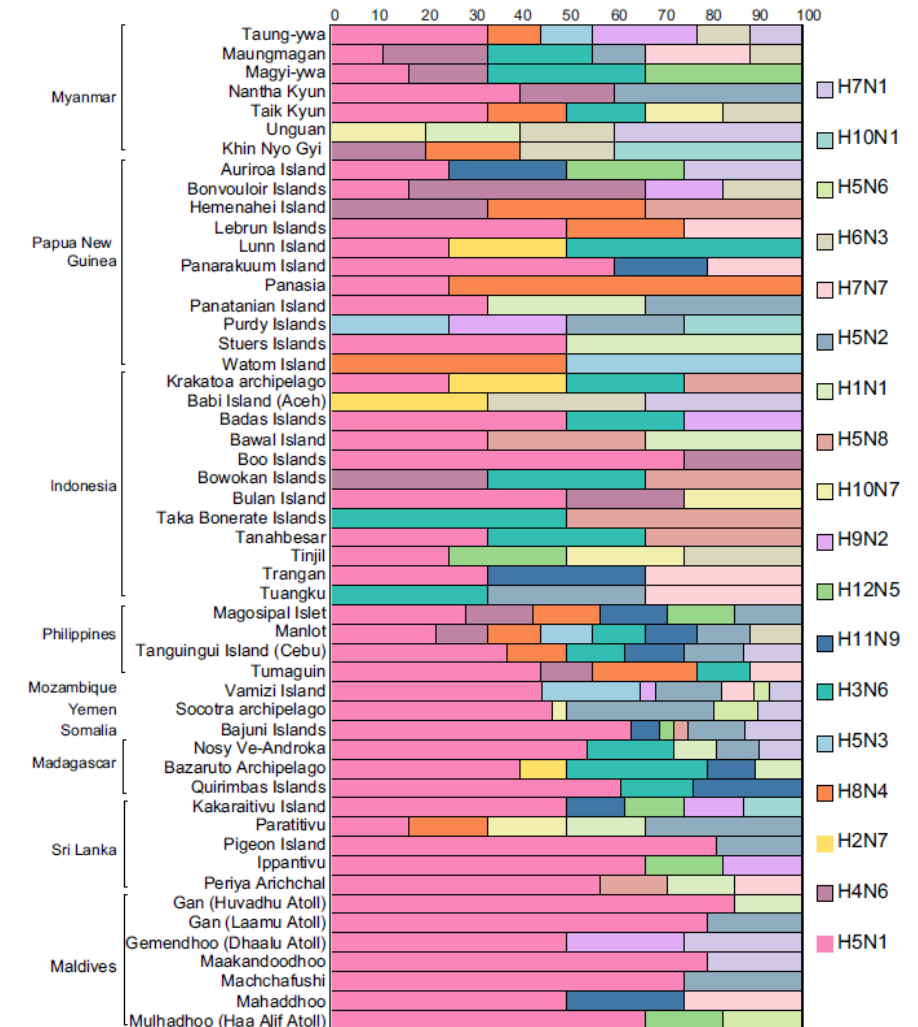


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<https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-025-59322-z>

**Surveillance of avian influenza through bird guano in remote regions of the global south to uncover transmission dynamics**



Detection of Influenza in bird guano by site

# Case Study: Wastewater Monitoring of STIs



- Chlamydia, Trachoma, and Syphilis are common sexually transmitted bacterial infections (STIs)
- The infections are mostly asymptomatic, which increases the risk of transmission
- Wastewater monitoring can be used to monitor community burden → increase targeted testing
- We developed a synthetic *Treponema pallidum* product (BAA-2642SD™) that was used to validate a ddPCR assay for wastewater screening



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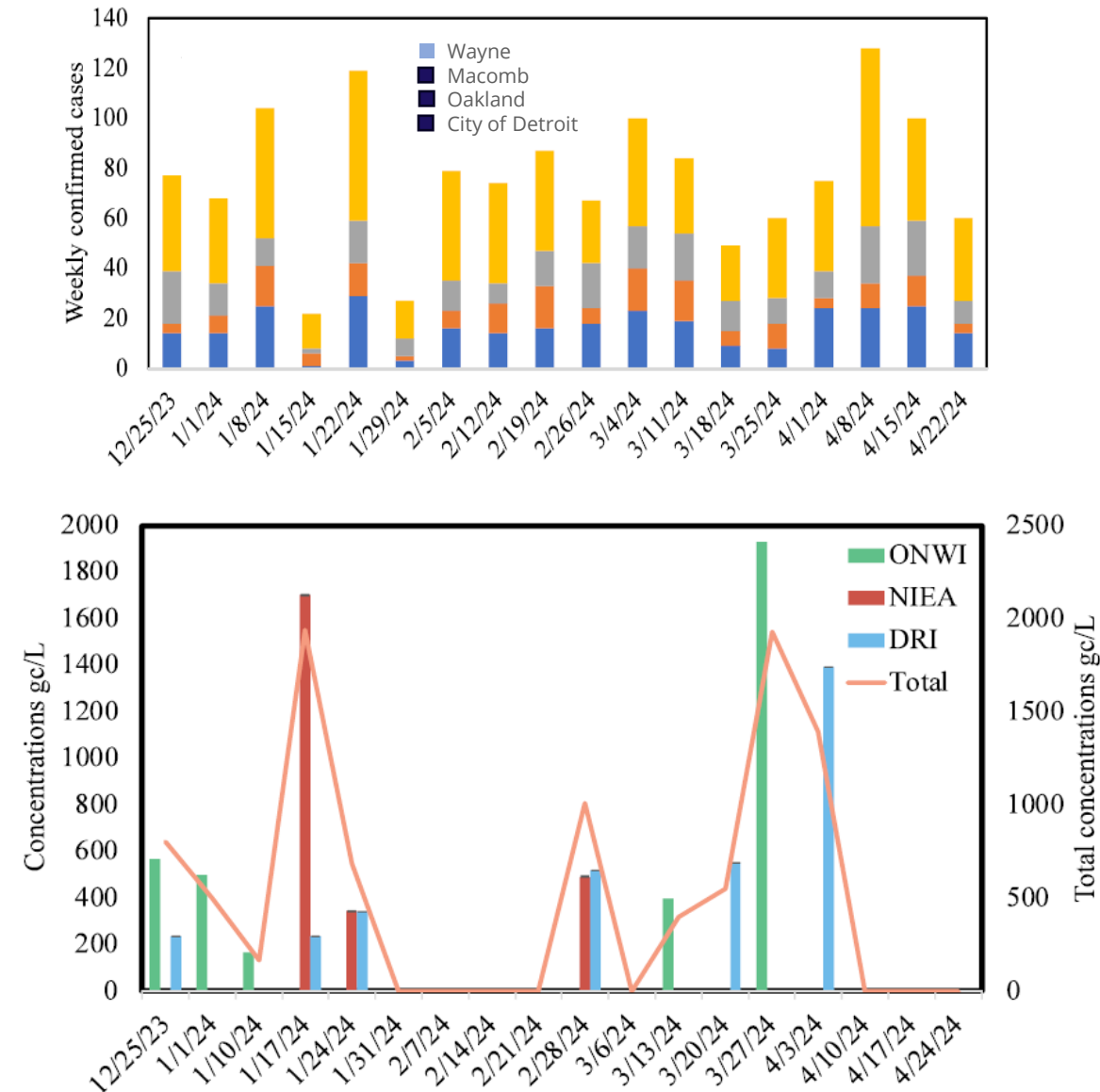
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## Tracking Chlamydia and Syphilis in the Detroit Metro Area by Molecular Analysis of Environmental Samples

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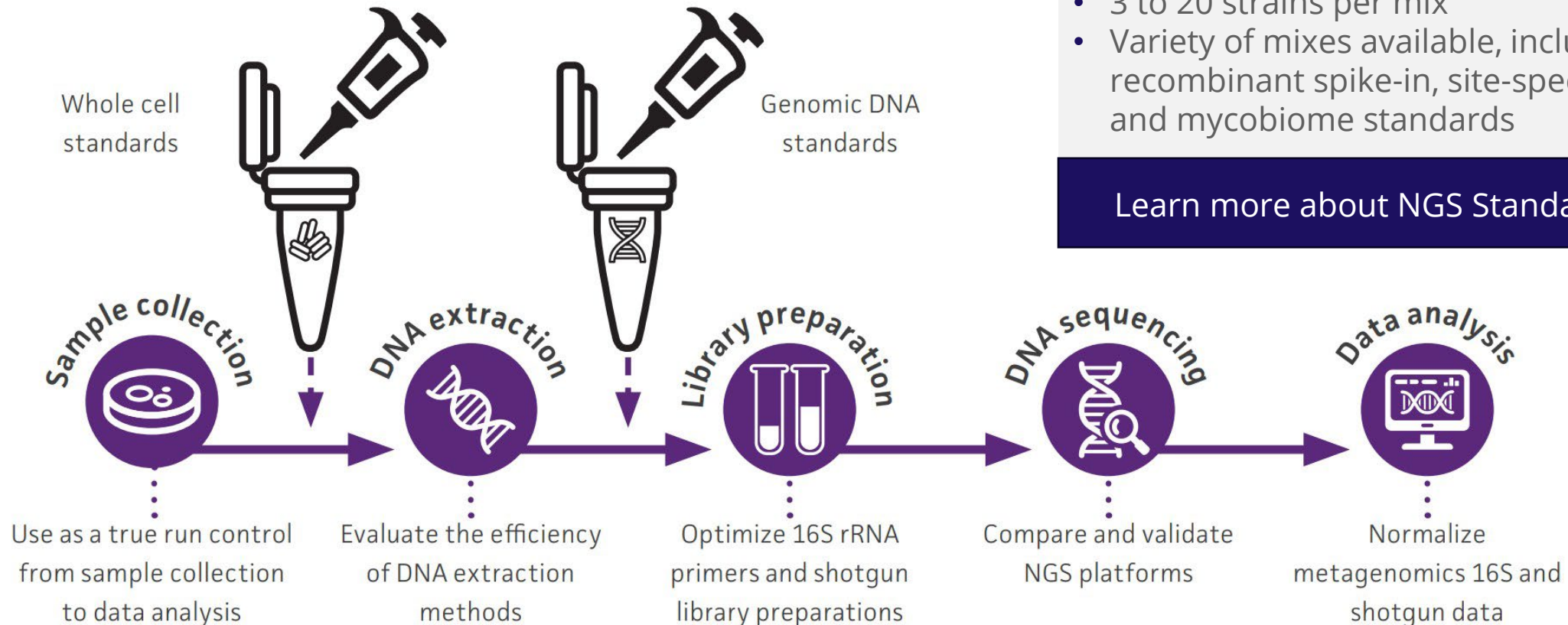
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# Metagenomics Standards

## Whole cell and genomic mock microbial communities

- Whole cell and nucleic acid mixes
- Even or staggered gDNA abundance
- Low, medium, or high levels of complexity
- 3 to 20 strains per mix
- Variety of mixes available, including recombinant spike-in, site-specific, virome, and mycobiome standards



Learn more about NGS Standards



# Plant Pathogens as Reference Materials



## Challenge:

- Crop losses due to fungal pathogens are > \$200 billion annually and they are responsible for 85% of all plant diseases.

## ATCC's<sup>®</sup> Solution:

- ATCC<sup>®</sup> has 1,400 species of fungal and oomycete plant pathogens encompassing 340 genera.
- We have 109 APHIS-regulated fungal pathogens from 16 major US crops.
- Many of these pathogens are reference strains that could be used as plant pathogen standards.



Read our blog post:  
"Precision in Plant Health –  
ATCC's Role in Advancing Plant  
Pathogen Standards"



# Summary

## We offer a range of products to accelerate your R&D needs

- ATCC® is a long-time **trusted partner** for high-quality authenticated biomaterials, standards, and services in the life sciences.
  - Diverse collection of microbial and cell cultures
  - ATCC® continues to support the development and implementation of diagnostics and surveillance tests with reliable authenticated reference materials
  - Genomic DNA standards are ready-to-use reference materials eliminating additional costs and time required for cell line expansion, DNA extraction, and quantitation
  - Synthetic standards provide controls for organisms that are difficult to culture or extract
  - Metagenomics standards comprising whole cells or quantitative nucleic acids from organisms in even and staggered mixtures
- History of **partnerships** with **industry, government, and academia** to improve **human health**, agriculture, veterinary, environment, etc.
- What do **YOU** need?
  - ATCC® exists as a resource for the scientific community



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# Questions

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# Appendix

# Molecular Analytical Reference Materials



## Genomic Analytical Reference Materials

ATCC® has a portfolio of 270+ products from:

- Blood-borne disease
- Gastro-intestinal disease
- Respiratory disease
- Sexually transmitted disease
- Vector-borne disease pathogens

### Authentication

- Identity: Amplicon sequencing
- Integrity: High-molecular-weight NA by gel electrophoresis

## Synthetic Molecular Standards

ATCC® has a portfolio of 75+ products from:

- Gastrointestinal disease
- Respiratory disease
- Sexually-transmitted disease
- Vector-borne disease pathogens
- Manufactured under ISO13485 guidance

### Authentication

- Identity: NGS to verify synthetic sequence
- Function: qPCR 3.32 cycles between Cq threshold

Learn more about our  
genomic and synthetic  
molecular standards



# ATCC® Microbiome Standards Portfolio



Preparation	ATCC® Catalog No.	Number of Organisms	Composition	Complexity	Utility
Genomic DNA	MSA-1000™	10	Even	Medium	Standards for assay development and optimization
	MSA-1001™	10	Staggered	Medium	
	MSA-1002™	20	Even	High	
	MSA-1003™	20	Staggered	High	
Whole cell	MSA-2003™	10	Even	Medium	
	MSA-2002™	20	Even	High	
Genomic DNA	MSA-4000™	11	Staggered	Medium	NGS-based pathogen detection
Genomic DNA	MSA-3000™	6	Even	Low	Environmental studies
	MSA-3001™	10	Even	Medium	
	MSA-3002™	10	Staggered	Medium	

# ATCC® Site-specific NGS Standards

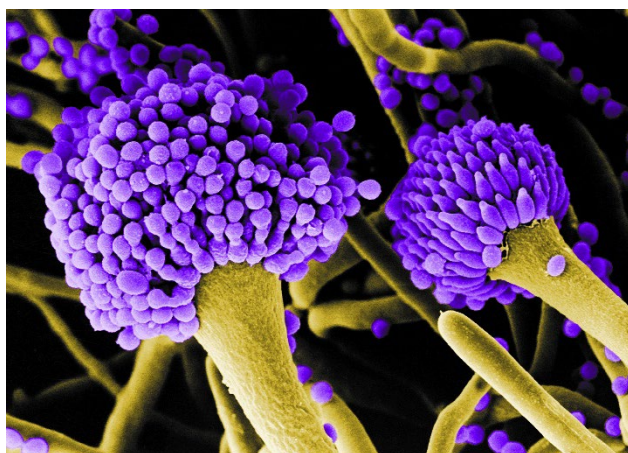


Standard	Preparation	ATCC® Catalog No.	Number of Organisms	Importance
Oral	Whole cell	MSA-2004™	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mock microbial communities representing the oral, skin, gut, and vaginal microbiomes</li><li>• Comprises normal and atypical flora</li><li>• Anaerobic and aerobic microbial strains</li><li>• A combination of Gram-positive and Gram-negative bacterial cultures</li><li>• Even composition</li></ul>
	Genomic DNA	MSA-1004™		
Skin	Whole cell	MSA-2005™	6	
	Genomic DNA	MSA-1005™		
Gut	Whole cell	MSA-2006™	12	
	Genomic DNA	MSA-1006™		
Vaginal	Whole cell	MSA-2007™	6	
	Genomic DNA	MSA-1007™		

# ATCC® Spike-in and Mycobiome Standards

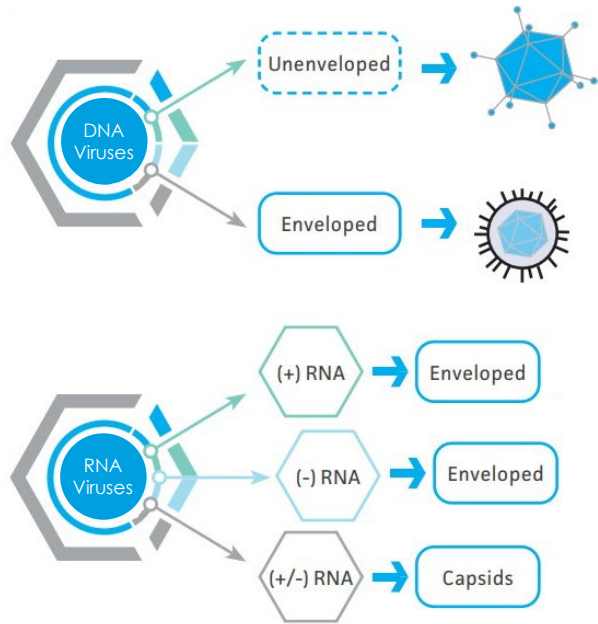


Standard	Preparation	ATCC® Catalog No.	Number of Organisms	Application
Spike-in	Whole cell	MSA-2014™	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Microbiome measurements and data normalization</li><li>16S rRNA and shotgun assay verification, validation, and quality control</li></ul>
	Genomic	MSA-1014™		



Standard	Preparation	ATCC® Catalog No.	Number of Organisms	Application
Mycobiome	Whole cell	MSA-2010™	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Fungal mock community standards for assay development, optimization, verification, and validation; evaluating reproducibility; and use as a daily run quality control</li></ul>
	Genomic	MSA-1010™		

# Reference Materials for Viral Metagenomics



## Composition of Virome Analytical Reference Materials

Human herpesvirus 5 strain AD169 (ATCC® VR-538™)

Human mastadenovirus strain F (ATCC® VR-931™)

Influenza B virus strain B/Florida/4/2006 (ATCC® VR-1804™)

Zika virus strain MR 766 (ATCC® VR-1838™)

Reovirus 3 strain Dearing (ATCC® VR-824™)

Human respiratory syncytial virus strain A2 (ATCC® VR-1540™)



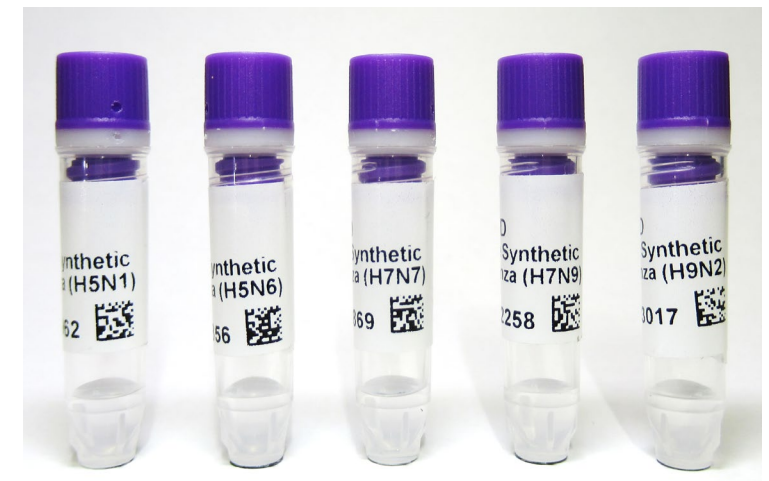
Intended Use	Content	ATCC® Catalog No.	Number of Organisms	Specification (ddPCR)	Applications
Virome Analysis	Virus Mix	MSA-2008™	6	$2 \times 10^3$ genome copies/ $\mu$ L per virus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assay development, optimization, verification, and validation.</li> <li>Reproducibility assessment (routine QC).</li> </ul>
	Nucleic Acid Mix	MSA-1008™	6	$2 \times 10^4$ genome copies/ $\mu$ L per virus	

# Influenza Synthetic RNA Products

## Quantitative BSL-1 analytical reference materials



ATCC® Product	Influenza strain used for design (subtype/lineage)
VR-3384SD™	B/Malaysia/2506/2004 (Victoria lineage)
VR-3385SD™	B/Brisbane/60/2008 (Victoria lineage)
VR-3386SD™	A/Brisbane/59/07 (H1N1)
VR-3387SD™	A/Hiroshima/52/2005 (H3N2)
VR-3388SD™	A/Netherlands/2629/2009 (H1N1pdm2009)
VR-3436SD™	A/white-tailed eagle/Japan/OU-1/2022 (H5N1)
VR-3437SD™	A/Shanghai/4664T/2013 (H7N9)
VR-3438SD™	A/chicken/Wenzhou/334b/2013 (H7N7)
VR-3439SD™	A/goose/Guangdong/GS018/2015 (H5N6)
VR-3440SD™	A/ostrich/Yunnan/438/2014 (H9N2)



# ATCC has Oncology Standards for Human Cell Lines



## ATCC® quantified human genomic DNAs

Cell lines from relevant diseases

Quantified biomarker

Mut. allelic freq.

Absolute gene copies

CNV

ATCC® No.	Purified from Cell Line	Disease	Quantified Oncology Bio-marker	Report mutation allelic frequency *	Report absolute gene copies / ng DNA **	Report relative gene copy number **
CRL-1648DQ™	CA46	Burkitt's lymphoma	TP53 R248Q	✓	✓	✓
HTB-30DQ™	SK-BR-3	Breast adenocarcinoma	TP53 p.R175H	✓	✓	✓
HTB-122DQ™	BT-549	Breast ductal carcinoma	TP53 p.R249S	✓	✓	✓
HTB-131DQ™	MDA-MB-453	Breast carcinoma	PIK3CA p.H1047R	✓	✓	✓
CCL-225DQ™	HCT-15	Colon adenocarcinoma	KRAS p.G13D	✓	✓	✓
CCL-227DQ™	SW620	Colon adenocarcinoma	KRAS p.G12V	✓	✓	✓
CCL-231DQ™	SW48	Colon adenocarcinoma	TP53 p.R273H	✓	✓	✓
CL-187DQ™	LS180	Colon adenocarcinoma	EGFR p.G719S	✓	✓	✓
CRL-2158DQ™	LS1034	Colon carcinoma	KRAS p.G12D	✓	✓	✓
CRL-5973DQ™	SNU-5	Stomach undifferentiated adenocarcinoma	TP53 p.G245S	✓	✓	✓
CRL-5974DQ™	SNU-16	Stomach undifferentiated adenocarcinoma	MET amplification	–	✓	✓
CRL-5974DQ™	SNU-16	Stomach undifferentiated adenocarcinoma	MYC amplification	–	✓	✓
HTB-111DQ™	AN3 CA	Endometrium adenocarcinoma	PTEN p.R130fs	✓	✓	✓
CRL-2868DQ™	HCC827	Lung adenocarcinoma	EGFR p.ELREA746del	✓	✓	✓
CRL-5908DQ™	NCI-H1975	Lung non-small cell carcinoma	EGFR amplification	–	✓	✓
CRL-5908DQ™	NCI-H1975	Lung non-small cell carcinoma	EGFR p.T790M; EGFR p.L858R	✓	✓	✓
CRL-2177DQ™	SW 1271	Lung small cell carcinoma	NRAS p.Q61R	✓	✓	✓
CRL-5928DQ™	NCI-H2170	Lung squamous cell carcinoma	HER 2 amplification	–	✓	✓
CRL-7898DQ™	A101D	Skin malignant melanoma	BRAF p.V600E	✓	✓	✓

## CRM cell lines and DNAs

Stated level of confidence for traceability and values of uncertainty

ATCC® No.	Cell line name	Amino acid change	DNA change
CRM-TIB-161™	HuT 78	WT	WT
CRM-CCL-119™	CCRF-CEM	<b>p.G12D</b>	c.35G>A
CRM-CCL-185™	A549	<b>p.G12S</b>	c.34G>A
CRM-CRL-1420™	MIA PaCa-2	<b>p.G12C</b>	c.34G>T
CRM-HTB-174™	NCI-H441	<b>p.G12V</b>	c.35G>A
CRM-CRL-3211™	PSN1	<b>p.G12R</b>	c.34G>C
CRM-CCL-155™	RPMI 8226	<b>p.G12A</b>	c.35G>C
CRM-HTB-26™	MDA-MB-231	<b>p.G13D</b>	c.38G>A

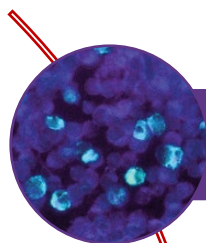


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PIK3CA, pTEN, TP53

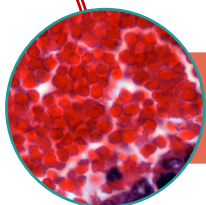
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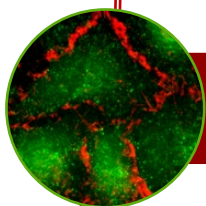
# ATCC has Tumor Normal Matched Cell Line Pairs



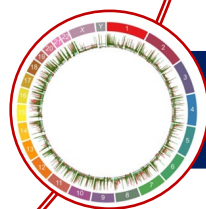
Over 40 pairs of tumor/normal donor matched ATCC® cell lines



Major cancer types: lung, breast, skin, bone




Allows for study on cancer-specific mutations, tumor mutation burden (TMB)



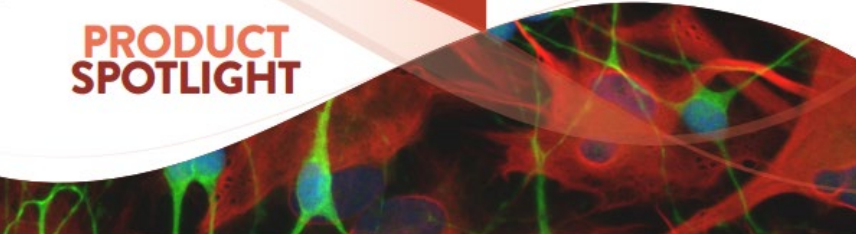
Well-characterized reference cell lines associated with WGS and WES datasets

Find out more





## PRODUCT SPOTLIGHT




### TUMOR/NORMAL MATCHED CELL LINE PAIRS

Tumor-derived cell lines matched to either normal or metastatic cell lines obtained from the same patient provide a valuable resource for cancer studies. The availability of such models allows researchers to analyze cancer-specific mutations, monitor the behavior and chemical sensitivity of tumor lines based on their normal counterparts, and develop drugs or therapies to target specific cancers or cancer mutations.

**Table 1: Tumor and normal cell lines from the same individual**

Cancer type	Tissue source	Name	ATCC® No.	Tissue source	Name	ATCC® No.
<b>Primary site of disease</b>				<b>Normal pairing</b>		
Adenocarcinoma	Lung	NCI-H1395	<a href="#">CRL-5868™</a>	Peripheral Blood	NCI-BL1395	<a href="#">CRL-5957™</a>
Adenocarcinoma	Lung	NCI-H1437	<a href="#">CRL-5872™</a>	Peripheral Blood	NCI-BL1437	<a href="#">CRL-5958™</a>
Adenocarcinoma	Lung	NCI-H2009	<a href="#">CRL-5911™</a>	Peripheral Blood	NCI-BL2009	<a href="#">CRL-5961™</a>
Adenocarcinoma	Lung, lymph node (metastasis)	NCI-H2087	<a href="#">CRL-5922™</a>	Peripheral Blood	NCI-BL2087	<a href="#">CRL-5965™</a>
Adenocarcinoma	Lung, pleural effusion	NCI-H2122	<a href="#">CRL-5985™</a>	Peripheral Blood	NCI-BL2122	<a href="#">CRL-5967™</a>
Basal Cell Carcinoma	Skin	TE 354.T	<a href="#">CRL-7762™</a>	Skin	TE 353.Sk	<a href="#">CRL-7761™</a>
Benign Osteoid Osteoma	Bone	Hs 919.T	<a href="#">CRL-7672™</a>	Skin	Hs 919.Sk	<a href="#">CRL-7671™</a>
Carcinoma	Mammary gland; breast	Hs 605.T	<a href="#">CRL-7365™</a>	Skin	Hs 605.Sk	<a href="#">CRL-7364™</a>
Carcinoma	Mammary gland; breast	Hs 854.T	<a href="#">CRL-7590™</a>	Skin	Hs 854.Sk	<a href="#">CRL-7589™</a>
Ductal Carcinoma	Mammary gland; breast	HCC1008	<a href="#">CRL-2320™</a>	Peripheral Blood	HCC1007.BL	<a href="#">CRL-2319™</a>
Ductal Carcinoma	Mammary gland; breast	HCC1954	<a href="#">CRL-2338™</a>	Peripheral Blood	HCC1954.BL	<a href="#">CRL-2339™</a>
Ductal Carcinoma	Mammary gland; breast	Hs 578T	<a href="#">HTB-126™</a>	Mammary Gland, Breast	Hs 578Bst	<a href="#">HTB-125™</a>
Malignant Melanoma	Skin	COLO 829	<a href="#">CRL-1974™</a>	Peripheral Blood	COLO 829BL	<a href="#">CRL-1980™</a>
Melanoma	Skin	Hs 895.T	<a href="#">CRL-7637™</a>	Skin	Hs 895.Sk	<a href="#">CRL-7636™</a>
Mesothelioma	Lung, pleural effusion	NCI-H2052	<a href="#">CRL-5915™</a>	Peripheral Blood	NCI-BL2052	<a href="#">CRL-5963™</a>
Neuroendocrine Carcinoma	Lung, pleural effusion	NCI-H1770	<a href="#">CRL-5893™</a>	Peripheral Blood	NCI-BL1770	<a href="#">CRL-5960™</a>
Osteosarcoma	Bone	Hs 704.T	<a href="#">CRL-7444™</a>	Skin	Hs 704.Sk	<a href="#">CRL-7443™</a>
Osteosarcoma	Bone	Hs 707(A).T	<a href="#">CRL-7448™</a>	Skin	Hs 707(B).Ep	<a href="#">CRL-7449™</a>
Osteosarcoma	Bone	Hs 888.T	<a href="#">CRL-7622™</a>	Lung	Hs 888Lu	<a href="#">CRL-211™</a>
Osteosarcoma	Bone	Hs 889.T	<a href="#">CRL-7626™</a>	Skin	Hs 889.Sk	<a href="#">CRL-7625™</a>
Osteosarcoma	Bone	Hs 890.T	<a href="#">CRL-7628™</a>	Skin	Hs 890.Sk	<a href="#">CRL-7627™</a>
Pagetoid Sarcoma	Skin	Hs 925.T	<a href="#">CRL-7677™</a>	Skin	Hs 925.Sk	<a href="#">CRL-7676™</a>
Primary Ductal Carcinoma	Mammary gland; breast	HCC38	<a href="#">CRL-2316™</a>	Peripheral Blood	HCC38.BL	<a href="#">CRL-2346™</a>
Primary Ductal Carcinoma	Mammary gland; breast	HCC1143	<a href="#">CRL-2321™</a>	Peripheral Blood	HCC1143.BL	<a href="#">CRL-2362™</a>



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