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## Description

Cutibacterium acnes strain Gerath [23, C-7, VPI 4979] is a whole-genome sequenced bacterial strain. This culture has applications for quality control and is known to produce a polysaccharide immunotherapeutic agent.

**Strain designation:** Gerath [23, C-7, VPI 4979]

Deposited As: Corynebacterium acnes (Gilchrist) Eberson

Type strain: No

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Product format: Freeze-dried Storage conditions: 2°C to 8°C

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## **Growth Conditions**

Medium:



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ATCC Medium 2107: Modified Reinforced Clostridial

ATCC Medium 260: Trypticase soy agar/broth with defibrinated sheep blood

**Temperature:** 37°C **Atmosphere:** Anaerobic

## **Handling Procedures**

- 1. Open vial according to enclosed instructions.
- 2. Under anaerobic conditions, withdraw 0.5 mL of #2107 broth from a single test tube (5 to 6 mL) and rehydrate the entire vial contents.
- 3. Aseptically transfer this aliquot back into the broth tube. Additional tubes may be inoculated with 0.5 mL each from the suspension. A slant of #2107 may also be inoculated with 0.2 mL. Streak several blood plates to check for colonial morphology and purity.
- 4. Incubate tubes under an anaerobic atmosphere at 37°C for 48 to 72 hours. Incubate one agar plate anaerobically for colony formation, and one aerobically for aerobic contamination check.

#### ANAFROBIC CONDITIONS:

Anaerobic conditions for transfer may be obtained by either of the following:

- Use of an anaerobic gas chamber, or
- Placement of test tubes under a gassing cannula system hooked to anaerobic gas.

Anaerobic conditions for incubation may be obtained by any of the following:

- Loose screw caps on test tubes in anaerobic chamber,
- Loose screw caps on test tubes in an activated anaerobic gas pack jar, or
- Use of sterile butyl rubber stoppers on test tubes so that an anaerobic gas headspace is retained.

#### Notes

At 4 days, growth is evident by turbidity and colonies on the anaerobic agar surfaces. No growth should occur on agar plate incubated aerobically.

Always use freshly prepared pre-reduced media or pre-reduced media that has been previously prepared but stored under anaerobic conditions. Resazurin in the media is a color indicator for anaerobic conditions. Observances of pink color in the medium before use or during incubation shows anaerobic conditions have not been met and oxidation has occurred. Medium should be discarded.

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### Material Citation

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