



# *Clostridioides difficile* (Prevot) Lawson et al.

43603™

## Description

**Strain designation:** 5036

**Deposited As:** *Clostridium difficile* (Hall and O'Toole) Prevot

**Type strain:** No

**Serotype:** X

**Toxigenic:** No

**Toxin genes:** *cdtB* (Binary toxin) negative; *tcdA* (Toxin A) negative; *tcdB* (Toxin B) negative

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## Storage Conditions

**Product format:** Freeze-dried

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## Intended Use

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## Growth Conditions

**Medium:**

ATCC Medium 2107: Modified Reinforced Clostridial

ATCC Medium 2722: Supplemented Tryptic Soy Broth/Agar

**Temperature:** 35-37°C

**Atmosphere:** Anaerobic

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## Handling Procedures

**1. Open vial according to enclosed instructions.**

2. Under anaerobic conditions, withdraw 0.5 ml of the recommended 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. Additional tubes may be inoculated with 0.5 ml each from the suspension. Also, 0.1 ml may be inoculated onto a slant. Streak several blood plates to check for colonial morphology and purity.

4. Incubate tubes under an anaerobic atmosphere at 37°C. Incubate one agar plate anaerobically for colony formation, and one aerobically for aerobic contamination check.

5. Within 48 hours, growth should be evident by turbidity in the broth and by colonies on the anaerobic agar surfaces. No growth should occur on agar plates incubated aerobically.

#### ANAEROBIC 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.

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2. Under anaerobic conditions, withdraw 0.5 mL of recommended 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. A slant and a pre-reduced blood plate may also be inoculated with 0.1 mL each of the cell suspension. An aerobic blood plate may also be streaked to check for purity.
4. Incubate tubes and plate under anaerobic conditions at 37°C. Incubate blood plate aerobically at 37°C.
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**Notes**

Colonies on #260 agar are white, irregular, erose and flat.

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