



# **Cercomonas sp.**

**50334™**

## **Description**

**Strain designation:** RS/18A-AX

**Deposited As:** *Cercomonas* sp.

**Type strain:** No

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## **Storage Conditions**

**Product format:** Frozen

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## **Intended Use**

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## Certificate of Analysis

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## Growth Conditions

**Medium:**

ATCC Medium 1865: Axenic Dimastigella medium

**Instructions for complete medium:** ATCC Medium 1865

**Temperature:** 25°C

**Culture system:** Axenic

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## Handling Procedures

**Culture maintenance:**

Subculture every two weeks to a fresh T-25 flask of medium in the following manner:

1. Vigorously agitate the flask and aseptically transfer 0.5 ml from a growing culture to a T-25 tissue culture flask containing 10.0 ml of ATCC medium 1865.
2. Incubate flask at 25°C with the cap on tightly.

**Reagents for cryopreservation:**

Cryoprotective Solution

DMSO	2.0 ml
Fresh growth medium w/o heat-killed bacteria	8.0 ml

**Cryopreservation:** 1. Mix the components in the order listed. When the medium is added to the DMSO the solution will warm up due to chemical heat.

2. Harvest cells from a culture that is at or near peak density by filtration and centrifugation at 800 x g for 5 min.
3. Adjust the concentration of cells at least  $2 \times 10^6$ /ml in fresh medium.
4. Mix the cell preparation and the cryoprotective solution in equal portions.
5. Dispense in 0.5 ml aliquots into 1.0 - 2.0 ml sterile plastic screw-capped cryovials (special plastic vials for cryopreservation).
6. Place vials in a controlled rate freezing unit. From room temperature cool at  $-1^\circ\text{C}/\text{min}$  to  $-40^\circ\text{C}$ . If freezing unit can compensate for the heat of fusion, maintain rate at  $-1^\circ\text{C}/\text{min}$  through heat of fusion. At  $-40^\circ\text{C}$  plunge ampules into liquid nitrogen. Alternatively, place the vials in a Nalgene  $1^\circ\text{C}$  freezing apparatus. Place the apparatus at  $-80^\circ\text{C}$  for 1.5 to 2 hours and then plunge ampules into liquid nitrogen. (The cooling rate in this apparatus is approximately  $-1^\circ\text{C}/\text{min}$ .)
7. Ampules are stored in either the vapor or liquid phase of a nitrogen refrigerator.
8. To establish a culture from the frozen state place the vial in a  $35^\circ\text{C}$  water bath. Immerse the vial to a level just above the surface of the frozen material. Do not agitate the vial. Immediately after thawing, do not leave in water bath, aseptically remove the contents of the ampule and inoculate into a T-25 tissue culture flask containing 10 ml ATCC medium 1865.
9. Incubate at  $25^\circ\text{C}$  with the cap screwed on tightly.
10. Once the culture is established, vigorously agitate the flask and aseptically transfer 0.5 ml to 10.0 ml of fresh ATCC medium 1865.
11. Follow the protocol for maintenance of culture.

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## Material Citation

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## References

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