



Escherichia coli (Migula) Castellani and Chalmers

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Description

Escherichia coli strain VC547e is a bacterium isolated in 2014 from the recto-anal mucosal swab of calf in New Zealand. This non-Shiga toxin-producing strain can be used as a diagnostic quality-control strain or as a laboratory safety model. It provides a safer BSL-2 surrogate for studying the O26 serogroup's environmental persistence and colonization mechanisms without the high-containment risks associated with Shiga toxin.

Strain designation: VC547e

Deposited As: *Escherichia coli*

Type strain: No

Serotype: O26

Toxin genes: *stx1* (Shiga toxin 1) negative; *stx2* (Shiga toxin 2) negative

Storage Conditions

Product format: Frozen

Storage conditions: -80°C or colder

Intended Use

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BSL 2

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Certificate of Analysis

For batch-specific test results, refer to the applicable certificate of analysis that can be found at www.atcc.org.

Growth Conditions

Medium:

ATCC Medium 18: Trypticase Soy Agar/Broth

Temperature: 37°C

Atmosphere: Aerobic

Handling Procedures

1. Open thawed vial.
 2. Aseptically transfer the entire contents to a 5-6 mL tube of #18 broth. Additional test tubes can be inoculated by transferring 0.5 mL of the primary broth tube to these secondary tubes.
 3. Use several drops of the primary broth tube to inoculate a #18 plate and/or #18 agar slant.
 4. Incubate at 37°C for 24 hours.
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References

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