



# *Clostridium ljungdahlii* Tanner et al.

BAA-3792™

## Description

This product is an ATCC manufactured and accessioned progeny of 55383 cited in US Patent Number 5,654,020.

**Strain designation:** PETC

**Deposited As:** ATCC accessioned progeny of *Clostridium ljungdahlii* strain PETC cited in US Patent Number 5,173,429 as 55383.

**Type strain:** Yes

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## Storage Conditions

**Product format:** Frozen

**Storage conditions:** -80°C or colder

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## Intended Use

This product is intended for laboratory research use only. It is not intended for any animal or human therapeutic use, any human or animal consumption, or any diagnostic use.

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## BSL 1

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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](http://www.atcc.org).

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## Growth Conditions

**Medium:**

ATCC Medium 1754: PETC medium

**Temperature:** 35-37°C

**Atmosphere:** Anaerobic

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## Handling Procedures

1. Keep vial frozen until ready to use.
2. To reduce media before inoculation, use 1.5% sodium sulfide M (0.2 mL per 10 mL).
3. The 1.5% Sodium Sulfide solution (0.2 mL per 10 mL broth) needs to be added

before inoculation. If needed, exchange the gas in the Hungate tube for 80% H<sub>2</sub>-20% CO<sub>2</sub>.

4. Under anaerobic conditions, preferably in an anaerobe chamber, thaw vial and then quickly transfer entire contents into a single Hungate tube of #1754 broth. A second tube of #1754 broth can also be inoculated with 0.5 mL from the original broth.
5. Incubate at 35 to 37°C. Initial growth may be observed at 48 hours. Suitable growth for transfer may take up to 5 to 7 days.
6. Growth on agar plates is difficult because of the gas and pressure requirements. Better results can be achieved by producing agar slants in Hungate tubes. Agar cultures require a longer incubation period.
7. Hungate tubes need to be re-gassed and pressurized after each transfer or manipulation of the culture.
8. Growth is evident by light turbidity and an accumulation of cells at the bottom of the broth tube. A wet mount may be necessary to observe growth.

#### ANAEROBIC CONDITIONS:

1. Hungate (or Balch) tube refers to a special type of test tube that is designed to be pressurized and is suited for anaerobic work. The Hungate test tubes can be purchased from Bellco glass ([www.bellcoglass.com](http://www.bellcoglass.com); stock no. 204800150).
2. Resazurin is a commonly used redox indicator that is pink when the redox potential is above -50 mv., and colorless when the redox potential is below -110 mv. i.e. highly reducing. Most strict anaerobes require this low redox potential for optimum growth.
3. To obtain a fully reduced medium, it is necessary that the medium be anoxic and that a reducing agent be added. There are several common reducing agents, however, 1.5% sodium sulfide is recommended for this strain. Add 0.2 mL of reducing agent for each 10 mL of medium.
4. Syringes can be made anaerobic by one of two methods.
  - a. Displace the dead space in the syringe with a sterile oxygen-free gas.
  - b. Displace the dead space in the syringe with a reducing agent.

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## Notes

Tubes need to be pressurized to 20 psi.

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Recommended to use AS-822 (PYG broth) from Anaerobe Systems.

This strain needs to establish the growth first in broth for 4 days before transferring to agar plates and/or slant tubes. This strain does not grow well on #1754 agar. No growth is observed when using TSA+5% SB agar or Brucella agar.

This organism will also grow on ATCC® Medium #2107, Reinforced Clostridial Medium (BD 218081) broth.

Always use freshly prepared pre-reduced media or pre-reduced media that has been previously prepared but stored under anaerobic conditions. Sodium sulfate was found to be slightly inhibitory. Do not use 3% Cysteine as a reducing agent. Resazurin in the media is a color indicator for anaerobic conditions. Observance of pink color in 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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