Paramecium tetraurelia Sonneborn

30977™

Description

Strain designation: stock d4-49
Deposited As: *Paramecium tetraurelia* Sonneborn
Type strain: No
Genotype: cl 1 (= clear 1)

Storage Conditions

Product format: Test tube

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.

BSL 1

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Certificate of Analysis

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Growth Conditions

Medium:
ATCC Medium 802: Sonneborn's Paramecium medium
Instructions for complete medium: ATCC Medium 802 inoculated with *Enterobacter aerogenes* (ATCC® 13048)
Temperature: 25°C

Handling Procedures

Culture maintenance:
Subculture every two months to a fresh tube of bacterized medium in the following manner:

1. Transfer 0.5 ml from a growing culture to 5.0 ml of ATCC medium 802 bacterized

with *Enterobacter aerogenes* (ATCC® 13048).

2. Add 1.0 ml of ATCC medium 802 bacterized with *Enterobacter aerogenes* ATCC 13048 twice weekly. When the tube is filled to within one inch of the top, aspirate from the bottom of the tube and reduce the volume to 5.0 ml.

3. Incubate upright at 25°C with the caps on loosely.

Reagents for cryopreservation:
Cryoprotective Solution

DMSO	1.5 ml
Fresh growth medium w/o bacteria	7.5 ml
$MgCl_2$ (0.5 mM)	0.5 ml
$CaCl_2$ (0.5 mM)	0.5 ml

Cryopreservation: 1. Mix the components in the order listed. Before adding the $MgCl_2$ and the $CaCl_2$ allow the solution to return to room temperature. 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 200 x g for 1 min.

3. Adjust the concentration of cells to 2 x 10^5/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 cryules (special plastic vials for cryopreservation).

6. Place vials in a controlled rate freezing unit. From room temperature cool at -1°C/min to -40°C. If freezing unit can compensate for the heat of fusion, maintain rate at -1 C/min through heat of fusion. At -40°C plunge ampules into liquid nitrogen.

7. Ampules are stored in either the vapor or liquid phase of a nitrogen refrigerator.

8. To establish a culture from the frozen state add 1.0 ml ATCC medium 802 to the frozen ampule and place it in a 35°C water bath. Immerse the vial to a level just above the surface of the frozen material. Do not agitate the vial.

9. Immediately after thawing, do not leave in water bath, aseptically remove the contents of the ampule and inoculate onto the surface of an ATCC medium 919 (non-nutrient agar) plate containing an overlay of 15.0 ml of bacterized ATCC medium 802.

10. Incubate at 25°C.

11. Once the culture is established, transfer 0.5 ml to 5.0 ml of bacterized ATCC medium 802.

12. Follow the protocol for maintenance of culture.

Material Citation

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References

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