



# ***Mycoplasma*** ***genitalium*** (Tully et al.) Gupta et al.

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## Description

*Mycoplasma genitalium* strain G37 is a bacterial type strain that was isolated from the urethra of a human male with non-gonococcal urethritis. This bacterial culture has applications in infectious disease and sexually transmitted disease research. This culture produces a surface attachment protein.

**Strain designation:** G37

**Deposited As:** *Mycoplasma genitalium* Tully et al.

**Type strain:** Yes

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## Storage Conditions

**Product format:** Frozen

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

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## Intended Use

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## BSL 2

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## Certificate of Analysis

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## Growth Conditions

### Medium:

ATCC Medium 0988: Spiroplasma medium SP-4

**Temperature:** 37°C

**Atmosphere:** Aerobic

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## Handling Procedures

1. We recommend that you use T-flasks in the propagation of *Mycoplasma*

*genitalium* so that a larger surface area will be available for the cells to adhere to the glass or plastic surface. Approximately 10 mL of Medium #988 is placed in 25 cm<sup>2</sup> flasks, and 200 mL can be placed in 125 cm<sup>2</sup> flasks if larger amounts are desired.

2. Add an additional 5% heat-inactivated fetal bovine serum to medium #988. Open the vial according to enclosed instructions.
3. Transfer the contents of the vial to a 25 cm<sup>2</sup> flask.
4. Incubate the flask in a horizontal position at 37°C for 7-14 days. Note: This strain can be slow to establish growth, however subsequent transfers should grow faster once primary growth is established.
5. After the incubation period, observe the flask for flocs in the medium and for cells adhering to the bottom of the flask. Growth is also indicated by an indicator change from red to yellow.
6. To prepare the culture for subculturing and/or scaling-up to larger volumes, loosen adherent cells with a suitable, sterile scraper. Centrifuge the culture and remove the supernatant (spent growth media). Resuspend the pellet with fresh medium and place into a new 25 cm<sup>2</sup> flask with the appropriate volume of fresh medium.
7. Incubate the flask in a horizontal position at 37°C for 7-14 days.
8. When the medium has turned yellow, loosen adherent cells with a suitable, sterile scraper. Use a 10% inoculum when subculturing this item and/or scaling-up to larger volumes to ensure healthy growth in subcultures.

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## Notes

This strain requires an additional 5% heat-inactivated fetal bovine serum be added to ATCC Medium #988 to sustain growth of this strain. Growth is best achieved in T-25 flasks with 10 mL of medium and a 10% inoculum.

The depositor has suggested that the initial slow, poor adherent growth may be due to the cryoprotectant used in the freeze-drying process. Subsequent transfers show improvement in growth times.

This strain may need to have growth established first before sub-culturing.

Purified genomic DNA of this strain is available as ATCC<sup>®</sup> 33530D™.

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## Material Citation

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## References

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