



Bartonella henselae **(Regnery et al.) Brenner et al.**

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Description

Bartonella henselae strain Houston-1 [CIP 103737, G5436] was isolated in Houston, Texas, from the blood of an HIV-positive male. This whole-genome sequenced bacterial type strain has applications in infectious disease research and vector-borne disease research.

Strain designation: Houston-1 [CIP 103737, G5436]

Deposited As: *Rochalimaea henselae* Regnery et al.

Type strain: Yes

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Storage conditions: -80°C or colder

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Growth Conditions

Medium:

ATCC Medium 18: Trypticase Soy Agar/Broth

ATCC Medium 260: Trypticase soy agar/broth with defibrinated sheep blood

Temperature: 37°C

Atmosphere: 95% Air, 5% CO₂

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 broth tubes.
 3. Use several drops of the primary broth tube to inoculate a #260 plate and/or #260 agar slant.
 4. To obtain a biphasic culture, add 0.4 mL of the suspension to a #260 slant.
 5. Incubate the tubes, plates, and biphasic slant at 37°C under 5% CO₂ conditions, with all caps loose. Within 5 to 10 days of incubation, growth at the broth/agar interface of the biphasic slant should occur.
 6. Further subcultures can be made using the broth pool as the inoculum source.
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Notes

This is a slow-growing organism that requires moist conditions for best growth.

Taping the plates will help to prevent drying of the agar.

The use of fresh media is of primary importance.

ATCC[®] Medium #4 (Tryptic Soy Agar with 5% Defibrinated Rabbit Blood) may also be used.

Once good growth is obtained, transfer or freeze the culture. Adding an equal amount of 20% sterile glycerol to pooled broth from several biphasic slants, followed by freezing in liquid nitrogen or "ultra-low temperature" freezer, is recommended.

Purified genomic DNA of this strain is available as ATCC 49882D-5.

Additional information on this culture is available on the ATCC web site at www.atcc.org.

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