Description

*Chlamydia pneumoniae* strain AR-39 was isolated from the throat of an infected human with acute pharyngitis in Seattle, Washington. This bacterial strain is propagated in HEp-2 cells (ATCC CCL-23) and has applications in respiratory disease research.

- **Strain designation** AR-39
- **Deposited As** *Chlamydia pneumoniae*  
- **Type strain** No
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Storage Conditions

- **Product format** Frozen
- **Storage conditions** -70°C or colder

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Growth Conditions

- **Host** HEp-2 ([ATCC CCL-23](ATCC CCL-23))
- **Effects** CPE; cytoplasmic inclusions
- **Complete medium**
  DMEM (ATCC 30-2002) + 10% prescreened FBS + 10 mM HEPES + 2 \(\mu\)g/mL Cycloheximide
- **Temperature** 35°C
- **Recommendations for infection** Plate cells 16-24 hours prior to infection and infect when cultures are 80-90% confluent. Disrupt cells in the inoculum by sonicating for 20 seconds at approximately 240W or by adding glass beads to the inoculum and vortex mixing. Remove medium and inoculate with disrupted material. Centrifuge at 2,300 - 2,400 x g at 20°C for 1 hour. End adsorption by adding agent growth medium.
- **Incubation** 3 days
Handling Procedures

- **Mycoplasma contamination** Not detected

Notes

Activities with high potential for aerosol production require Biosafety Level 3 facilities and practices. The inclusions are iodine stain negative (contain no glycogen). The TWAR strains of *Chlamydia* are named after TW183 and AR39. This material is cited in a U.S. and/or other Patent Application and may not be used to infringe the patent claims.

- **Key Abbreviations** °C, Degrees Celsius; CO₂, Carbon dioxide; DMEM, Dulbecco's Modified Eagle's Medium; FBS, Fetal bovine serum; HEPES, N-(2-Hydroxyethyl)piperazine-N’-(2-ethanesulfonic acid)

Material Citation

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References

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