**Escherichia coli (Migula) Castellani 739™**

**Description**

*Escherichia coli* strain Crooks is a whole-genome sequenced bacterial strain that was isolated from feces. This product has applications as a quality control strain in testing antimicrobial handwashing formulations, media testing, efficacy testing, and bioreistance testing.

- **Strain designation** Crooks
- **Deposited As** *Escherichia coli* (Migula) Castellani and Chalmers
- **Type strain** No
- **Toxin genes** *stx1* (Shiga toxin 1) negative; *stx2* (Shiga toxin 2) negative

**Storage Conditions**

- **Product format** Freeze-dried
- **Storage conditions** 2°C to 8°C

**Intended Use**

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Thawing, the conversion of the liquid nitrogen back to its gas phase may result in the vial exploding or blowing off its cap with dangerous force creating flying debris. Unless necessary, ATCC recommends that these cultures be stored in the vapor phase of liquid nitrogen rather than submersed in liquid nitrogen.

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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.

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**Growth Conditions**

- **Medium**
  - ATCC Medium 3: Nutrient agar or nutrient broth
- **Temperature** 37°C
- **Atmosphere** Aerobic

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**Handling Procedures**

1. Open vial according to enclosed instructions.
2. Using a single tube of #3 broth (5 to 6 mL), withdraw approximately 0.5 to 1.0 mL with a Pasteur or 1.0 mL pipette. Rehydrate the entire pellet.
3. Aseptically transfer this aliquot back into the broth tube. Mix well.
4. Use several drops of the suspension to inoculate a #3 agar slant and/or plate.
5. Incubate the tubes and plate at 37°C for 24 hours.

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**Notes**

This product is available as a certified reference material (ATCC CRM-8739). Genomic DNA is available for this product (ATCC 8739D-5, 8739DQ). Additional information on this culture is available on the ATCC web site at www.atcc.org.
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