Designation: CDC X363 [2A.10, NCTC 9935]
Deposited Name: Actinomyces odontolyticus Batty
Product Description: Type strain. Quality control strain for API products.

Medium
ATCC® Medium 7: Actinomyces broth
ATCC® Medium 260: Trypticase soy agar/broth with defibrinated sheep blood

Growth Conditions
Temperature: 37°C
Atmosphere: Anaerobic

Propagation Procedure
1. Open vial according to enclosed instructions.
2. Under anaerobic conditions, withdraw 0.5 mL of recommended broth from a single test tube (5 to 6 mL) and rehydrate the vial contents.
3. Aseptically transfer this aliquot into the broth tube. A slant and additional broth tubes may be inoculated with 0.2 mL each of the cell suspension. Blood plates may be streaked to check for colonial morphology and purity.
4. Incubate tubes and one plate under anaerobic conditions at 37°C. Incubate one blood plate in 5% CO₂ or in air at 37°C.
5. Within 48 hours, growth is evident by good turbidity in the broth and by colonies on the agar surfaces. The anaerobic plate will have colonies that are up to 1 mm in diameter, circular, entire, convex, and smooth. The aerobic plate will have tiny pinpoint colonies.

ANAEROBIC CONDITIONS:
Anaerobic conditions for transfer may be obtained by either of the following:
- Use of an anaerobic gas chamber, or
- Placement of test tubes under a gassing cannula system hooked to anaerobic gas.
Anaerobic conditions for incubation may be obtained by any of the following:
- Loose screw caps on test tubes in anaerobic chamber,
- Loose screw caps on test tubes in an activated anaerobic gas pack jar, or
- Use of sterile butyl rubber stoppers on test tubes so that an anaerobic gas headspace is retained.

Notes
Colonies on #7 agar are pinpoint, round, entire and glistening.
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References
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Biosafety Level: 2

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