**Designation:** HS-6 [CNCTC 8/89]  
**Deposited Name:** Streptococcus cricetus Coykendall

### Medium
ATCC® Medium 44: Brain Heart Infusion Agar/Broth

### Growth Conditions
**Temperature:** 37.0°C  
**Atmosphere:** Under a gas mixture of 90% air, 10% CO₂

### Propagation Procedure
1. Open vial according to enclosed instructions.  
2. From a single tube of #44 broth (5 to 6 ml), withdraw approximately 0.5 to 1.0 ml with a Pasteur or 1.0 ml pipette and use to rehydrate the pellet.  
3. Aseptically transfer the rehydrated pellet back into the broth tube. Mix well.  
4. Use several drops of this suspension to inoculate an additional broth tube, a #44 agar slant and/or a plate.  
5. Incubate the tubes and plate at 37°C for 48 hours in an atmosphere of 10% CO₂ or under microaerophilic conditions.

### Notes
On #44 plates, colonies are entire, circular, convex, and smooth.  
Depositor states that this organism grows well in screw capped tubes of Todd-Hewitt Broth or Fluid Thioglycollate Medium. The medium must be boiled to drive off oxygen before inoculation. For maintenance of the culture, it is essential to include a small amount of powdered CaCO₃ in the tubes. This organism tends to die out rapidly in the absence of CaCO₃ (i.e. within 48-72 hours). It is advisable to use a large inoculum (0.1 ml) when transferring culture.  
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### Biosafety Level: 1
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