Strain Designation: CBS 958.68 [NRRL A-11841, VKM F-1524]
Deposited Name: Absidia hesseltinii Mehrotra
Product Description: An ampoule containing viable cells (may include spores and mycelia) suspended in cryoprotectant.

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ATCC® Medium 334: Oatmeal agar
ATCC® Medium 335: Potato carrot agar
ATCC® Medium 336: Potato dextrose agar (PDA)

Growth Conditions
Temperature: 24°C to 26°C
Atmosphere: Typical aerobic

Recommended Procedure
For freeze-dry (lyophilized) ampoules:
1. Open an ampoule according to enclosed instructions.
2. From a single test tube of sterile distilled water (5 to 6 mL), withdraw approximately 0.5 to 1.0 mL with a sterile pipette and apply directly to the pellet. Stir to form a suspension.
3. Aseptically transfer the suspension back into the test tube of sterile distilled water.
4. Let the test tube sit at room temperature (25°C) undisturbed for at least 2 hours; longer (e.g., overnight) rehydration might increase viability of some fungi.
5. Mix the suspension well. Use several drops (or make dilutions if desired) to inoculate recommended solid or liquid medium. Include a control that receives no inoculum.
6. Incubate the inoculum at the propagation conditions recommended.
7. Inspect for growth of the inoculum/strain regularly. The sign of viability is noticeable typically after 2-4 days of incubation. However, the time necessary for significant growth will vary from strain to strain.

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