



Product Sheet

Nitrobacter sp. (ATCC® 25385™)

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Description

Designation: Nb-215 [Santa Cruz soil sample 5]

Deposited Name: *Nitrobacter sp.*

Propagation

Medium

ATCC® Medium 480: Nitrobacter medium 203

Growth Conditions

Temperature: 26.0°C

Atmosphere: With shaking

Propagation Procedure

1. Rehydrate entire vial contents with 0.5 ml of #480 broth. Aseptically transfer this aliquot to 5.0 ml of the broth contained in a large test tube (20 X 150 mm).
2. Incubate tube at 26°C, static, in the dark, and in a slanted position to increase surface area.
3. Monitor culture growth daily by assaying for the disappearance of NO₂ in the culture medium. Withdraw 0.1 ml from the culture and place in a small test tube. Add one drop of NO₂ Reagent A followed by one drop of NO₂ Reagent B, mixing after each addition. Pink color development occurs within 10 minutes and is directly related to amount of NO₂ present. Initial tests will probably be dark magenta reflecting the 20 mM NO₂ concentration of medium #480; but as culture grows and NO₂ is oxidized, color will become magenta, pink and finally clear. This process can take from 3 to 20 days, or possibly longer, depending on the viability of the stock.
4. When all NO₂ has been oxidized, inoculate a 250 ml flask containing 100 ml of medium #480 with the 5.0 ml tube culture. Wrap the flask in foil to protect from light and incubate at 26°C with gentle shaking. Monitor NO₂ concentration daily.
5. When NO₂ is again depleted in the culture medium, either transfer the culture to fresh media or feed the culture by adding additional NO₂. A 10% inoculum is recommended for transfers. To feed cultures, aseptically add sterile NaNO₂ solution, returning NO₂ concentrations to approximately 10 mM (3.5 ml of 2% NaNO₂ per 100 ml culture). Cells should be harvested or sub-cultured to fresh media when cultures can utilize 10 mM NO₂ in less than 24 hours and cell numbers are greater than 10 cells per field at 1000X magnification.
6. Cells may be harvested by centrifugation. For long-term storage, 1.0 ml aliquots of concentrated cells can be frozen with glycerol as the cryoprotectant at a final concentration of 10%. The frozen vials should be stored at 70°C or below for best preservation.

Notes

NO₂ Reagent A: Sulfanilic acid, 8 g

5 N Acetic acid, 1.0 L

NO₂ Reagent B: N,N-Dimethyl-1-naphthylamine, 6.0 ml

Acetic acid, 1.0 L

The 5 N acetic acid consists of 1 part glacial acetic acid and 2.5 parts distilled water.

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References

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