**Description**

**Designation:** VPI 1584 [CDC 370]

**Deposited Name:** *Clostridium paraputrificum* (Bienstock) Snyder

**Medium**

ATCC® Medium 38: Beef liver medium for anaerobes

**Growth Conditions**

**Temperature:** 37.0°C

**Atmosphere:** Anaerobic

**Propagation Procedure**

1. Open vial according to enclosed instructions.
2. Under anaerobic conditions, withdraw 0.5 ml of #38 broth from a single test tube (5 to 6 ml) and rehydrate the entire vial contents.
3. Aseptically transfer this aliquot back into the broth tube. Additional tubes may be inoculated with 0.5 ml each from the suspension. A slant of #38 may also be inoculated with 0.2 ml. Streak several blood plates to check for colonial morphology and purity.
4. Incubate tubes under an anaerobic atmosphere at 37°C for 24 to 48 hours. Incubate one agar plate anaerobically for colony formation, and one aerobically for aerobic contamination check.

**ANAEROBIC CONDITIONS:**

- 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**

In 24 hours, growth is evident by turbidity and colonies on the anaerobic agar surfaces. No growth should occur on agar plate incubated aerobically.

Colonies on Brucella agar are slightly irregular, smooth, glistening, dull white, flat, and entire.

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**References**

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