



Product Sheet

# *Cryptococcus gattii* (ATCC® 34877™)

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Storage Temp.  
**Frozen: -80°C or colder**  
**Freeze-Dried: 2°C to 8°C**  
**Live Culture: See Propagation Section**



Biosafety Level  
**2**

## Intended Use

This product is intended for research use only. It is not intended for any animal or human therapeutic or diagnostic use.

## Citation of Strain

If use of this culture results in a scientific publication, it should be cited in that manuscript in the following manner: *Cryptococcus gattii* (ATCC® 34877™)

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## Description

**Strain Designation:** NIH 76

**Deposited Name:** *Cryptococcus neoformans* (Sanfelice) Vuillemin

**Antigenic Properties:** serotype B

**Product Description:** An ampoule containing viable cells (may include spores and mycelia) suspended in cryoprotectant.

## Propagation

The information recommended in this section is to assist users in obtaining living culture(s) for their studies. The recommendation does not imply that the conditions or procedures provided below are optimum. Experienced researchers may initiate the growth of a culture in their own way.

ATCC® Medium 28: Emmons' modification of Sabouraud's agar

ATCC® Medium 200: YM agar or YM broth

ATCC® Medium 323: Malt agar medium

## 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 1-2 days of incubation. However, the time necessary for significant growth will vary from strain to strain.

**Colony and Cell Morphology:** After one week at 25°C colonies are white to cream-colored with a smooth mucoid texture, cells are globose or ovoidal, 3-5µm. Later a sediment is formed.

## Notes

Additional information on this culture is available on the ATCC® web site at [www.atcc.org](http://www.atcc.org).

## DNA Sequence

18S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence; internal transcribed spacer 1, 5.8S ribosomal RNA gene, and internal transcribed spacer 2, complete sequence; and 28S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence  
GCGGAAGGATCAGTAGAGAATACTGGGCTTCGGTCCATTTATCTACCCATCTACACCTGTGAAGTGT  
ATGTGCTTCGGCAGCTTTACACAACTTCTAAATGTAATGAATGTAATCTTATTATAACAATAATAA  
ACTTTCAACAACGGATCTCTTGGCTTCCACATCGATGAAGAACGCAGCGAAATGCGATAAGTAATGTG  
AATTGCAGAATTCAGTGAATCATCGAGTCTTTGAACGCAACTTGCGCCCTTTGGTATTCCGAAGGGCAT  
GCCTGTTTGAGAGTCATGAAAATCTCAATCCCTCGGGTTTTATTACCTGTTGGACTTGGATTTGGGTGTT  
GCCGCGACCTGCAAAGGACGTCGGCTCGCCTTAAATGTGTTAGTGGGAAGGTGATTACCTGTCAGCCC  
GGCGTAATAAGTTTCGCTGGGCCTATGGGGTAGTCTTCGGCTTCTGCTGATAACAACCATCTTTTTTGT  
GACCTCAAATCAGGTAGGGCTACCCGCTGAACTTAAGCATATCAATAA

## Isolation

Cerebrospinal fluid

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