



Product Sheet

# *Desulfurococcus mobilis* (ATCC® 35582™)

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## Description

**Designation:** Hv3(9) [DSM 2161]

**Deposited Name:** *Desulfurococcus mobilis* Zillig and Stetter

## Propagation

### Medium

ATCC® Medium 1558: *Desulfurococcus* medium

### Growth Conditions

**Temperature:** 88.0°C

**Atmosphere:** Anaerobic

### Propagation Procedure

1. Sterilize the top of the Balch tube (see below) by spraying it with 70% ethanol and then flaming the top.
2. If needed exchange the gas in the test tube for 100% N<sub>2</sub> or 80% N<sub>2</sub> 20% CO<sub>2</sub>.
3. If the medium is pink (see discussion about resazurin) add 2.0 ml of reducing agent (3% cysteine, stock solution) per 100 ml of medium. Let the medium sit at room temperature for 10 to 20 minutes do not inoculate until the resazurin becomes colorless.
4. When the Balch tube is ready to inoculate, open the vial according to enclosed instructions.
5. For inoculation, use an anaerobic 1.0 ml syringe (see below) tipped with 22 gauge needle. Withdraw 0.5 ml of #1558 broth and use this to rehydrate the freeze dried pellet. Immediately place the rehydrated vial under a stream of sterile oxygen-free gas.
6. Using the same syringe, transfer the rehydrated cell suspension back to a tube of #1558 broth. Plate 0.1 ml of the inoculated culture onto a non-selective medium and incubate aerobically at 37°C. Inoculate a nonselective anaerobic and aerobic broth. Incubate the inoculated tubes at 75 to 85°C.
7. Growth should be detected in the #1558 broth within 24 to 48 hours. There should be no growth detected on the aerobic plate. There should be no growth in the nonselective aerobic or anaerobic broth.

### ANAEROBIC CONDITIONS:

- a. Balch tube refers to a special type of test tube that is designed to be pressurized and is suited for anaerobic work. The Balch test tubes can be purchased from Bellco glass ([www.bellcoglass.com](http://www.bellcoglass.com); stock no. 2048-00150).
- b. Resazurin is a commonly used redox indicator that is pink when the redox potential is above 50 mv., and colorless when the redox potential is below 110 mv. i.e. highly reducing. Most strict anaerobes require this low redox potential for optimum growth.
- c. To obtain a fully reduced medium, it is necessary that the medium be anoxic and that a reducing agent be added. Common reducing agents are sodium sulfide, cysteine, dithiothreitol, and titanium citrate.
- d. Syringes can be made anaerobic by one of two methods. 1. Displace the dead space in the syringe with a sterile

## Notes

When examined microscopically, the cells appear as typical single (some pairs), cocci. Always use freshly prepared anaerobic medium. If there is any question about the anaerobic condition of the medium, the medium can be reduced with the addition of 3.0% cysteine (1.0 ml per 100 ml of medium). Other commonly used reducing agents are sodium sulfide, cysteine, dithiothreitol, and titanium citrate. Cysteine is the reducing agent of choice since it does not cause the ferrous ammonium sulfate to precipitate.

## References

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## Biosafety Level: 1

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