Designation: CS1
Deposited Name: Cat spiral 1
Product Description: Type strain

Medium
ATCC® Medium 260: Trypticase soy agar/broth with defibrinated sheep blood

Growth Conditions
Temperature: 37°C
Atmosphere: Microaerophilic, 3-5% O₂-10% CO₂

Propagation Procedure
1. This organism is shipped frozen in dry ice. Just prior to use, thaw vial in water at approximately 37°C. When thawed, a drop of the suspension may be used to do an immediate wet mount to observe the unique morphology of this organism and verify its viability by checking for motility.
2. Aseptically transfer the thawed suspension into a #260 broth tube. This broth can now be used to inoculate an agar slant(s), plate(s), additional broth tube(s), or the preferred biphasic culture.
3. To obtain a biphasic culture, add 0.5 mL of the suspension to a #260 slant. The resulting pool at the bottom of the slant is where the best, most rapid growth will occur.
4. Incubate at 37°C under microaerophilic conditions using an anaerobe jar with an active catalyst and a microaerophilic gas generator pack, or other acceptable method, to obtain microaerophilic conditions. Incubate slant with cap loosen.

This is a slowing organism which requires moist conditions for best growth. Growth at the broth/agar interface of the biphasic slant should occur within 3 days, but little turbidity will be seen. To observe growth, examine a wet mount of the broth under phase microscopy. This organism is a large, motile, Gram negative bacillus, with spiral ridges.

Growth on agar takes longer than the biphasic culture. Colonies are flat with some spreading. It is essential to use fresh, moist plates. The cells do not Gram stain well using traditional procedures. For best results, use a basic fuchsin counterstain in place of the safranin.

Once good growth in obtained, transfer or freeze the culture. Adding an equal amount of 20% sterile glycerol to pooled broth from several biphasic slants, followed by freezing in liquid nitrogen or "ultra-low temperature" freezer is recommended.

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