



Product Sheet

# *Clostridium sporogenes* (ATCC® 7955™)

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

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Biosafety Level  
**1**

## Intended Use

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## Description

**Designation:** NCA 3679 (putrifactive anaerobe) [DSM 767, IFO 16411, L.S. McClung 2003, NCIB 8053, NCTC 8594]

**Deposited Name:** *Clostridium sporogenes* (Metchnikoff) Bergey et al.

**Product Description:** Used for sterility testing and as a steam sterilization control.

## Propagation

### Medium

ATCC® Medium 2107: Modified Reinforced Clostridial Agar/Broth Medium (pre-reduced)

### Growth Conditions

**Temperature:** 37°C

**Atmosphere:** Anaerobic gas mixture, 80% N<sub>2</sub>-10% CO<sub>2</sub>-10% H<sub>2</sub>

### Propagation Procedure

1. Open vial according to enclosed instructions.
2. Under anaerobic conditions, withdraw 0.5 mL of recommended 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. A slant may also be inoculated with 0.1 mL. Streak several blood plates to check for colonial morphology and purity.
4. Incubate tubes under an anaerobic atmosphere at 37°C. Incubate one agar plate anaerobically for colony formation, and one aerobically for aerobic contamination check.
5. Within 24 hours, growth should be evident by turbidity and gas in the broth and by irregular, rhizoid colonies on the anaerobic agar surfaces. No growth should occur on agar plates incubated aerobically.

### ANAEROBIC CONDITIONS:

Anaerobic conditions for transfer may be obtained by either of the following:

- Use of an anaerobic gas chamber.
- 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.
- Use of sterile butyl rubber stoppers on test tubes so that an anaerobic gas headspace is retained.

## Notes

Anaerobe Systems Brucella Blood Plates (AS-111 or AS-141) can be used to analyze colony purity and morphology.

Colonies on brucella agar appear erose, pulvinate, irregular, and smooth.

This item contains two different pulsotypes of *C. sporogenes*.

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