**Dictyostelium septentrionalis** (ATCC® MYA-4292™)

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**Recommended Procedure**

Frozen ampoules packed in dry ice should either be thawed immediately or stored in liquid nitrogen. If liquid nitrogen storage facilities are not available, frozen ampoules may be stored at or below -70°C for approximately one week. Do not under any circumstance store frozen ampoules at refrigerator freezer temperatures (generally minus 20°C). Storage of frozen material at this temperature will result in the death of the culture.

1. Prepare media by streaking center of agar surface with a large X of *Escherichia coli* (ATCC 23437) and incubating at 25°-30°C one day before inoculating organism. Several replicates are suggested for optimum results.
2. To thaw frozen ampoule, place in a 37°C water bath, immerse ampoule to depth of one millimeter above the level of frozen material in the ampoule. Keep ampoule immersed until material is thawed but no more than 3 minutes. Do not agitate or vortex the ampoule.
3. Immediately after thawing, wipe down ampoule with 70% ethanol and aseptically transfer one loop full of contents onto center of X grown out with *Escherichia coli*.
4. Incubate the plates at the temperature recommended.
5. Allow culture to incubate for 2-5 days. Visually inspect by inverting plate under 10X objective. Look for swarms of amoebae feeding on bacteria and the initials of fruiting bodies and/or fruiting bodies rising from the surface of the agar.

**Isolation**

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**References**

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