An ampoule containing viable cells (may include spores and mycelia) suspended in sterile distilled water.

**Incubate the inoculum at the propagation conditions recommended.**

**Open an ampoule according to enclosed instructions.**

**Typical aerobic:**

Mix the suspension well. Use several drops (or make dilutions if desired) to inoculate recommended media.

**Recommended Procedure**

- 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.

**Storage Temp.**

- Frozen: -80°C or colder
- Freeze-Dried: 2°C to 8°C

**Live Culture:**

See the above.

**Notes**

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**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 26S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence.

**Citation of Strain**

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CTGGCGTAATGGTTAAATGCCGC

References

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Biosafety Level: 1

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