

***Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, Strain PAK**

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Product Description:

Bacteria Classification: *Pseudomonadaceae*, *Pseudomonas*

Species: *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*

Strain: PAK (also referred to as PA06)¹

Original Source: *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (*P. aeruginosa*), strain PAK was isolated from a human with cystic fibrosis.¹⁻³

Comments: The complete genome of *P. aeruginosa*, strain PAK is available (GenBank: [CP020659](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nuccore/CP020659)).

P. aeruginosa is a Gram-negative, aerobic, rod-shaped bacterium with unipolar motility that thrives in many diverse environments including soil, water and certain eukaryotic hosts. It is a key emerging opportunistic pathogen in animals, including humans, and plants. While it rarely infects healthy individuals, *P. aeruginosa* causes severe acute and chronic nosocomial infections in immunocompromised or catheterized patients, especially in patients with cystic fibrosis, burns, cancer or HIV.⁴⁻⁶ Infections of this type are often highly antibiotic resistant, difficult to eradicate, and often lead to death. The ability of *P. aeruginosa* to survive on minimal nutritional requirements, tolerate a variety of physical conditions, and rapidly develop resistance during the course of therapy has allowed it to persist in both community and hospital settings.^{6,7}

Material Provided:

Each vial contains approximately 0.5 mL of bacterial culture in Tryptic Soy broth supplemented with 10% glycerol.

Note: If homogeneity is required for your intended use, please purify prior to initiating work.

Packaging/Storage:

NR-51337 was packaged aseptically in cryovials. The product is provided frozen and should be stored at -60°C or colder immediately upon arrival. For long-term storage, the vapor phase of a liquid nitrogen freezer is recommended. Freeze-thaw cycles should be avoided.

Growth Conditions:

Media:

Tryptic Soy broth or Brain Heart Infusion broth or Nutrient broth or equivalent

Tryptic Soy agar with 5% defibrinated sheep blood or Brain Heart Infusion agar or Nutrient agar or equivalent

Incubation:

Temperature: 37°C

Atmosphere: Aerobic

Propagation:

1. Keep vial frozen until ready for use, then thaw.
2. Transfer the entire thawed aliquot into a single tube of broth.
3. Use several drops of the suspension to inoculate an agar slant and/or plate.
4. Incubate the tube, slant and/or plate at 37°C for 1 day.

Citation:

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Biosafety Level: 2

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