

Bacillus anthracis, Strain Sterne 34F2 (LLNL A0517)

Catalog No. NR-1400

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Product Description: *Bacillus anthracis* (*B. anthracis*) is an aerobic, Gram-positive, spore-forming, rod-shaped bacillus that causes the acute infectious disease anthrax. **NR-1400 is a mixture of two colony types. Neither colony type contains the pXO2 plasmid. Only colony type 1 contains the pXO1 plasmid.**

Lot¹: 5352322

Manufacturing Date: 11MAY2006

TEST	SPECIFICATIONS	RESULTS	
Phenotypic Analysis Cellular morphology Colony morphology Tryptic Soy Agar, 5% sheep blood ² PLET Agar ² Sporulation Motility β-hemolysis Capsule (India ink staining) Tenacious Analytical profile index (API [®] 50 CHB) FAME analysis	Gram-positive rod Report results Report results Positive Non-motile Non-hemolytic Report results Positive Consistent with <i>B. anthracis</i> Report results	Colony type 1 Gram-positive rod Circular, entire, ground-glass, grey, sporulation bumps; (Figure 1A) Circular, entire, ground-glass, white Positive Non-motile ³ Non-hemolytic Negative Positive Consistent with <i>B. anthracis</i> Consistent with <i>B. anthracis</i>	Colony type 2 Gram-positive rod Circular with irregular edges, convex, grey, no sporulation bumps (Figure 1B) Circular, entire ground glass, beige Positive Non-motile ³ Non-hemolytic Negative Positive Consistent with <i>B. anthracis</i> No match
Genotypic Analysis Sequencing of 16S ribosomal RNA gene (~ 1300 base pairs)	Consistent with <i>Bacillus cereus</i> group ⁴	Consistent with <i>Bacillus cereus</i> group ⁴	Consistent with <i>Bacillus cereus</i> group ⁴
PCR Assay of Extracted DNA 16S ribosomal RNA gene Presence of virulence plasmids pXO1 (<i>aat</i>) pXO2 (<i>at, capA, capB, capC</i>)	~ 1500 bp amplicon Report results No amplicons	~ 1500 bp amplicon ~ 120 bp amplicon No amplicons	~ 1500 bp amplicon No amplicon No amplicons
Viability (post-vialing)²	Growth	Growth	

¹*B. anthracis*, strain Sterne 34F2 (Colorado Serum Company vaccine strain) was deposited by Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. NR-1400 was prepared by broth/agar culture of the deposited material.

²24 hours at 37°C and 5% CO₂.

³Performed on NR-1400 (mix of both colony types)

⁴*Bacillus cereus* group species (*B. cereus*, *B. thuringiensis*, *B. mycooides*, and *B. anthracis*) cannot be classified based on 16S sequence (Spencer, R. C. "Bacillus anthracis." *J. Clin. Pathol.* 56 (2003): 182–187. PubMed: 12610093).

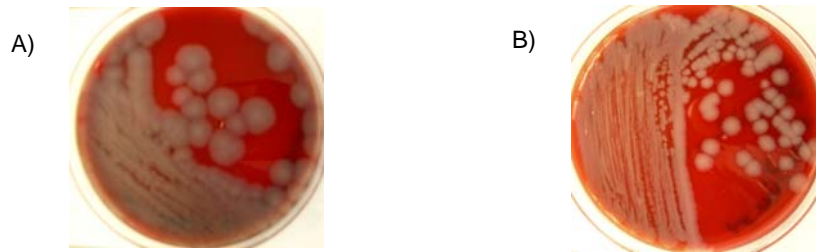


Figure 1. *Bacillus anthracis*, strain Sterne 34F2. Colony type 1 on Tryptic Soy Agar with 5% sheep blood is shown in (A) and colony type 2 is shown in (B).

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