

***Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, Strain  
CDC1551, Transposon Mutant 1860  
(MT3941, Rv3833)**

**Catalog No. NR-18253**

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**Contributor:**

NIH - TB Vaccine Testing and Research Materials Contract

**Manufacturer:**

BEI Resources

**Product Description:**

Bacteria Classification: *Mycobacteriaceae*, *Mycobacterium*

Species: *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*

Strain: CDC1551 (also referred to as CSU93 or Oshkosh)

Transposon Mutant: 1860 (MT3941, Rv3833)<sup>1-3</sup>

TN: HG1486

ID: Tn3941\_150

Original Source: *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* (*M. tuberculosis*), strain CDC1551 is a clinical isolate that exhibited high levels of infectivity and virulence during a tuberculosis outbreak that occurred in rural Kentucky and Tennessee from 1994 to 1996.<sup>4</sup>

Comments: In 2002, **TARGET** (Tuberculosis Animal Research and Gene Evaluation Taskforce) was formed to enable the modeling of human tuberculosis in multiple animal species using defined protocols and testing defined mutants of *M. tuberculosis*. In addition to animal modeling activities, a library of intragenic transposon mutants has been created and characterized.<sup>5</sup> *M. tuberculosis*, transposon mutant 1860 was created by disruption of a transcriptional regulatory protein (MT3941, Rv3833) of the wild-type strain CDC1551.

*M. tuberculosis* is a Gram-positive, rod-shaped aerobic bacterium. It is the causative agent of tuberculosis and is responsible for more morbidity in humans than any other bacterial disease.<sup>6</sup>

**Material Provided:**

Each tube contains a Lowenstein-Jensen (LJ) agar slant that was inoculated with 0.1 mL of bacterial culture and incubated 2 to 6 weeks at 37°C.

**Packaging/Storage:**

NR-18253 was packaged aseptically in screw-capped glass test tubes. This product is provided at room temperature and should be stored at 2°C to 8°C upon arrival. Do not freeze.

**Growth Conditions:**

Media:

Lowenstein-Jensen Agar slants (VWR catalog no. 29447-808), Middlebrook 7H10 Agar (BD 295964) with OADC enrichment (BD 212240) or Middlebrook 7H11 Agar (VWR

catalog no. 29447-102) with OADC enrichment

Incubation:

Temperature: 37°C

Atmosphere: Aerobic

Propagation:

Please refer to the attached document, SOP: TN002 provided by the TB Vaccine Testing and Research Materials Contract.

**Citation:**

Acknowledgment for publications should read "The following reagent was obtained through BEI Resources, NIAID, NIH: *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, Strain CDC1551, Transposon Mutant 1860 (MT3941, Rv3833), NR-18253."

**Biosafety Level: 3**

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**SOP: TN002****Obtaining Cells from Inoculated Transposon Mutant LJ Slants****Materials and reagents:**

1. *M. tuberculosis*, transposon mutant LJ slant
2. Biosafety cabinet
3. Sterile aerosol resistant pipet tips, 200 µL
4. Pipetman, 200 µL
5. Cell scraper, sterile
6. 7H9 media (note 3)
7. 7H11 + OADC agar plate, 100 x 15 mm (VWR catalog no. 29447-102)
8. Cold room or 4°C refrigerator

**Protocol:**

1. Remove LJ slant from container within biosafety cabinet (note 1).
2. Add 200 µL of 7H9 media to LJ slant.
3. Use cell scraper to lightly scrape the cells on the LJ slant into the 7H9 media.
4. Pipet 100 µL of the media, which now contains cell growth, onto a small 7H11 + OADC plate (note 2).
5. Streak the bacteria to grow as a lawn.
6. Place inoculated plates in a Ziploc bag, seal, and place in warm room (note 4).
7. Once cells have grown, move plates into biosafety cabinet (note 5).
8. Inside the biosafety cabinet, use a sterile cell scraper and aseptically scrape the cells into GAS media or liquid media of choice.

**Notes:**

1. The LJ slants must be removed from packaging only within a BSL3 facility and opened only within a BSL3 biosafety cabinet.
2. Use an aerosol resistant tip and pipetman to transfer cells from the liquid culture to the 7H11 plate. If preparing your own agar plates, follow the instructions on the bottle of 7H11 powder (Fisher Scientific catalog # DF0838-17-9).
3. Follow the instructions on the bottle of 7H9 powder (VWR catalog # 90003-876).
4. LJ slants can be kept in a cold room or 4°C refrigerator for future use.
5. Depending upon the strain, a lawn could take 2 to 4 weeks to form.