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Enterococcus faecalis, Strain SF105

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Product Description:

Bacteria Classification: Enterococcaceae, Enterococcus Species: Enterococcus faecalis

Strain: SF105 (also referred to as EnGen0298)

- <u>Original Source</u>: *Enterococcus faecalis* (*E. faecalis*), strain SF105 is a clinical isolate collected in the mid-1980s in California, USA.^{1,2}
- <u>Comments</u>: *E. faecalis*, strain SF105 has shown resistance to gentamicin and streptomycin.^{1,2} The complete genome of *E. faecalis*, strain SF105 has been sequenced (GenBank: <u>AJEE00000000</u>).

E. faecalis is a Gram-positive, facultatively anaerobic coccus that is a commensal inhabitant of the gastrointestinal and female genital tract.³ It is also the most frequently isolated species, often as a monoinfection, from root canals of endodontically treated teeth with persistent apical periodontitis.⁴ *E. faecalis* is an opportunistic pathogen and has become a serious concern in hospitals because of its inherent hardiness and high levels of antibiotic resistance.⁵ Virulent strains often express a cytolysin toxin that is encoded on various mobile genetic elements, pathogenicity islands, and conjugative plasmids.⁶

Material Provided:

Each vial contains approximately 0.5 mL of bacterial culture in 0.5X Brain Heart Infusion broth supplemented with 10% glycerol.

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

Packaging/Storage:

NR-31988 was packaged aseptically, in screw-capped plastic 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:

<u>Note</u>: Specific growth conditions are reported on the Certificate of Analysis for each lot.

Media:

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

Incubation:

Temperature: 35 to 37°C

Atmosphere: Aerobic (with or without 5% CO₂) or anaerobic <u>Propagation</u>:

- 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 tube, slant and/or plate for 24 hours.

Citation:

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Biosafety Level: 2

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