

# Salmonella enterica subsp. enterica, 2004 Pennsylvania Tomato Outbreak, Serovar Muenchen, Isolate 3

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## **Product Description:**

<u>Bacteria Classification</u>: Enterobacteriaceae, Salmonella
<u>Species</u>: Salmonella enterica
<u>Subspecies</u>: Salmonella enterica subsp. enterica<sup>1,2</sup>
<u>Serogroup</u>: C2-3
<u>Serovar</u>: Muenchen
<u>Isolate</u>: 3
<u>Original Source</u>: Human stool from a patient with diarrhea during the 2004 Salmonella outbreak in Pennsylvania

<u>Comments</u>: The 2004 *Salmonella* outbreak was linked to the consumption of Roma tomatoes from deli counters of a chain of 302 gas station convenience stores in Pennsylvania and four nearby states. Multiple serotypes of *Salmonella enterica* were implicated.<sup>3,4</sup>

Salmonella enterica (S. enterica) are Gram-negative, rodshaped, flagellated bacteria. The species is divided into six subspecies (I, II, IIIa, IIIb, IV, VI) where only subspecies I, subsp. enterica, is considered of clinical relevance. Salmonellosis (non-typhoidal), due to the greater than 1500 serovars of *S. enterica* subsp. enterica, is one of the most common food-borne diseases with an estimated 2 million cases that occur in the United States every year.<sup>5</sup> Pathogenicity results from a variety of virulence factors found in plasmids, prophages and five pathogenicity islands which allow these organisms to colonize and infect host organisms.<sup>6</sup>

*S. enterica* subsp. *enterica* serovar Muenchen (formerly *Salmonella muenchen*) is found in domestic and wild animals and is generally spread to humans via consumption of contaminated water or food resulting in gastroenteritis.

#### **Material Provided:**

Each vial contains approximately 0.5 mL of bacterial culture in 0.5X Tryptic Soy 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-4313 was packaged aseptically, in screw-capped plastic cryovials. The product is provided frozen and should be

stored at -70°C or colder immediately upon arrival. For longterm storage, the vapor phase of a liquid nitrogen freezer is recommended. Freeze-thaw cycles should be avoided.

## Growth Conditions:

Media:

Tryptic Soy Broth or equivalent Tryptic Soy 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 tubes and plate at 37°C for 24 hours.

## Citation:

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#### Biosafety Level: 2

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