

Yersinia pestis, Strain Kuma Derivative 8 (D8)

Catalog No. NR-4691

Product Description: *Yersinia pestis* (*Y. pestis*) is an aerobic, non-spore-forming, Gram-negative rod-shaped bacterium. *Y. pestis*, strain Kuma(D8) is a derivative of the Kuma strain that contains the pMT1 and pPCP1 plasmids, but lacks the pCD1 plasmid that is essential for virulence as well as the unstable chromosomal *pgm* locus.

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TEST	SPECIFICATIONS	RESULTS
Phenotypic Analysis Cellular morphology Colony morphology ² Congo red (CR) agar ³ Biochemical Analyses Analytical profile index (API 20 E®) Nitrate reduction Fermentation of glycerol Urease	Gram-negative rods Report results No red colonies Consistent with <i>Y. pestis</i> Positive Positive Negative	Gram-negative rods Circular, low convex, slightly irregular, opaque (Figure 1) No red colonies Consistent with <i>Y. pestis</i> Positive Positive Negative
Genotypic Analysis Sequencing of 16S ribosomal RNA gene (~ 1460 bp)	Consistent with <i>Y. pestis</i>	Consistent with <i>Y. pestis</i> ⁴
PCR Assay of Extracted DNA 16S ribosomal RNA gene Presence of virulence-associated plasmids pMT1 (pFra; 110 kb plasmid) pCD1 (pYV; 70 kb plasmid) pPCP1 (pPla; 9.5 kb plasmid)	~ 1500 bp amplicon ~ 1200 bp amplicon None detected ~ 400 bp amplicon	~ 1500 bp amplicon ~ 1200 bp amplicon None detected ~ 400 bp amplicon
Viability (post-freeze)²	Growth on agar	Growth on agar

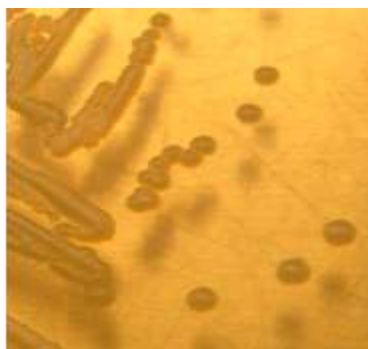
¹*Y. pestis*, strain Kuma(D8) was deposited by Professor Robert R. Brubaker of the Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics at Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan. NR-4691 was prepared by broth (Tryptic Soy Broth; BD 211768) culture of the deposited material for 48 hours at 28°C and aerobic atmosphere.

²48 hours at 28°C and aerobic atmosphere on Tryptic Soy Agar (BD 236950)

³7 days at 28°C and aerobic atmosphere on CR agar

⁴Also consistent with other *Yersinia* species

Figure 1



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