

Yersinia pestis, Strain A12 Derivative 5 (D5)

Catalog No. NR-4688

Product Description: Yersinia pestis (Y. pestis) is an aerobic, non-spore-forming, Gram-negative rod-shaped bacterium. Y. pestis, strain A12(D5) is an avirulent derivative of the A12 strain. Strain A12(D5) contains the pMT1 plasmid and the unstable chromosomal *pgm* locus, but lacks the pCD1 plasmid that is essential for virulence as well as the pPCP1 plasmid.

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TEST	SPECIFICATIONS	RESULTS
Phenotypic Analysis		
Cellular morphology	Gram-negative rod	Gram-negative rod
Colony morphology ²	Report results	Circular, convex, slightly undulate, opaque (Figure 1)
Congo red (CR) agar ^{3,4}	Red colonies (Crb ⁺)	Red colonies (Crb ⁺)
Biochemical Analyses		
Analytical profile index (API 20 E [®])	Consistent with Y. pestis	Consistent with Y. pestis
Nitrate reduction	Positive	Positive
Fermentation of glycerol	Negative	Negative
Urease	Negative	Negative
Genotypic Analysis		
Sequencing of 16S ribosomal RNA gene (~ 1390 bp)	Consistent with Y. pestis	Consistent with Y. pestis ⁵
PCR Assay of Extracted DNA		
16S ribosomal RNA gene	~ 1500 bp amplicon	~ 1500 bp amplicon
Presence of virulence-associated plasmids		
pMT1 (pFra; ~ 100 kb plasmid)	~ 1200 bp amplicon	~ 1200 bp amplicon
pCD1 (pYV; ~ 70 kb plasmid)	None detected	None detected
pPCP1 (pPla; ~ 9.5 kb plasmid)	None detected	None detected
Viability (post-freeze) ²	Growth on agar	Growth on agar

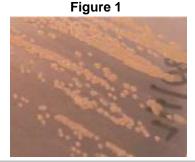
¹Y. pestis, strain A12(D5) was deposited by Professor Robert R. Brubaker of the Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics at Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan. NR-4688 was prepared by broth (Tryptic Soy Broth; BD 211768) culture of the deposited material and grown 48 hours at 28°C and aerobic atmosphere. Broth inoculum was added to Kolles which were grown 48 hours at 28°C and aerobic atmosphere to produce this lot.

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

³1 to 4 days at 28°C and aerobic atmosphere on CR agar

⁴Hare, J. M. and K. A. McDonough. "High-Frequency RecA-Dependent and -Independent Mechanisms of Congo Red Binding Mutations in Yersinia pestis." J. Bacteriol. 181 (1999): 4896-4904. PubMed: 10438760.

⁵Also consistent with other Yersinia species



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