

***Escherichia coli*, Strain BDMS 770**

Catalog No. NR-10

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Product Description:

Bacteria Classification: *Enterobacteriaceae, Escherichia*

Species: *Escherichia coli* (*E. coli*)

Strain: BDMS 770

Serotype: O157:H7

Original Source: Isolated in 1994 from human feces in Maryland, U.S.A.

Comment: *E. coli*, strain BDMS 770 was deposited at ATCC® in 1998 by Becton Dickinson Microbiology Systems, Cockeysville, Maryland.

E. coli is a gram-negative rod-shaped bacterium which occurs singly or in pairs. It is a major facultative inhabitant of the large intestine.

E. coli BDMS 770 and many other enterohemorrhagic *E. coli* (EHEC) strains release potent toxins, similar to those of *Shigella dysenteriae*, which can cause severe intestinal, kidney and central nervous system disease. *E. coli* BDMS 770 carries virulence-associated genes located on both the chromosome and plasmid of the organism.

The presence of plasmid pO157 (~ 3200 bp amplicon) and chromosomal virulence markers *stx1*, *stx2* and *eaeA* (~ 349 bp, 404 bp and 526 bp amplicons, respectively) have been confirmed by PCR amplification from extracted DNA.

Material Provided:

Each vial contains approximately 0.5 mL of bacterial culture in 0.5X Tryptic Soy Broth supplemented with 10% glycerol.

Packaging/Storage:

NR-10 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:

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 Tryptic Soy Broth.
3. Use several drops of the suspension to inoculate a Tryptic Soy Agar slant and/or plate.
4. Incubate the slant and/or plate at 37°C for 24 hours.

Citation:

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Biosafety Level: 2

Appropriate safety procedures should always be used with this material. Laboratory safety is discussed in the following publication: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and National Institutes of Health. Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories. 5th ed. Washington, DC: U.S. Government Printing Office, 2007; see www.cdc.gov/od/ohs/biosfty/bmb15/bmb15toc.htm.

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