

Streptococcus pneumoniae, Strain SPEC6B

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Product Description:

Bacteria Classification: Streptococcaceae, Streptococcus Species: Streptococcus pneumoniae

Strain: SPEC6B

<u>Source</u>: The antibiotic-resistant variant *Streptococcus pneumoniae* (*S. pneumoniae*), SPEC6B was derived from human wild-type *S. pneumoniae*, strain BG25-9 by natural selection using increasing concentrations of spectinomycin. *S. pneumoniae*, SPEC6B is reported to be resistant to spectinomycin at a concentration of 150 µg per mL.¹

S. pneumoniae is a Gram-positive, α -hemolytic diplococcal aerotolerant anaerobe that is a major cause of pneumonia, bacterial meningitis and otitis media. *S. pneumoniae* has a polysaccharide capsule that acts as a virulence factor for the organism. There are over ninety different capsular types of *S. pneumoniae* which differ in virulence, prevalence, and extent of drug resistance.²

Material Provided:

Each vial contains bacterial culture in Todd-Hewitt broth containing 0.5% (w/v) yeast extract and 15% glycerol.

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

Packaging/Storage:

NR-13393 was packaged aseptically in cryovials. The product is provided frozen and should be stored at -80°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.

Citation:

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Biosafety Level: 2

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