

***Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, Strain H37Rv, Gamma-Irradiated Whole Cells**

Catalog No. NR-14819

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Product Description:

Mycobacterium tuberculosis (*M. tuberculosis*), strain H37Rv was grown to late-log phase in glycerol-alanine-salts medium and inactivated by exposure to 2.4 megaRads of ionizing gamma irradiation using a ¹³⁷Cs source. Confirmation of inactivation was performed by Alamar Blue assay. A dose of 2.4 mRads of gamma irradiation kills *M. tuberculosis* to a 10²⁰ degree of certainty while maintaining 93% to 95% of the biological activity of the enzymes. The bacilli are harvested by filtration and washed with PBS pH 7.4.

Material Provided:

Each vial contains approximately 10 g of NR-14819 provided as a cell culture pellet.

Packaging/Storage:

NR-14819 was packaged aseptically in a tube. The product is provided frozen on dry ice and should be stored at -80°C or colder immediately upon arrival. Freeze-thaw cycles should be avoided.

Citation:

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Biosafety Level: 1

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