**Enterococcus faecalis, Strain B3336**

**Catalog No. NR-31887**

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**Product Description:**
*Enterococcus faecalis* is a Gram-positive, facultatively anaerobic coccus that is a commensal inhabitant of the gastrointestinal and female genital tract. It is also the most frequently isolated species, often as a mono-infection, from root canals of periodontitis. *E. faecalis* is an opportunistic pathogen and has become a serious concern in hospitals because of its inherent hardiness and high levels of antibiotic resistance. Virulent strains often express a cytotoxin that is encoded on various mobile genetic elements, pathogenicity islands, and conjugative plasmids.

**Material Provided:**
Each vial contains approximately 0.5 mL of bacterial culture in 0.5X Tryptic Soy broth supplemented with 10% glycerol.

**Note:** If homogeneity is required for your intended use, please purify prior to initiating work.

**Packaging/Storage:**
NR-31887 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:**
*Note:* Lot-specific growth conditions are indicated on the Certificate of Analysis.

**Media:**
- Tryptic Soy broth or Brain Heart Infusion broth or equivalent
- Tryptic Soy agar or Tryptic Soy agar with 5% defibrinated sheep blood or Brain Heart Infusion agar or equivalent

**Incubation:**
- Temperature: 35 to 37°C
- Atmosphere: Aerobic (with or without 5% CO₂) or anaerobic

**Propagation:**
1. Keep vial frozen until ready for use, then thaw.
2. Transfer the entire thawed aliquot into a single tube of broth.
3. Use several drops of the suspension to inoculate an agar slant and/or plate.
4. Incubate the tube, slant and/or plate for 24 hours.

**Citation:**
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**Biosafety Level:**
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