

## Enterococcus faecalis, Strain YI6-1

Catalog No. NR-32002

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### Product Description:

Bacteria Classification: Enterococcaceae, Enterococcus

Species: Enterococcus faecalis

Strain: YI6-1 (also referred to as EnGen0287)

Original Source: Enterococcus faecalis (E. faecalis), strain YI6-1 is a derivative of the original YI6 strain, a clinical isolate from Japan around 1992.<sup>1</sup>

Comments: E. faecalis, strain YI6-1 is reported to be resistant to gentamicin and tetracycline<sup>2</sup> and susceptible to erythromycin and streptomycin.<sup>1</sup> It is the first isolate characterized with a chromosomal-encoded cytolysin.<sup>1-3</sup> The 10-kb plasmid of the parent YI6 strain was not detected in this YI6-1 derivative.<sup>1</sup> The complete genome of E. faecalis, strain YI6-1 has been sequenced (GenBank: [AJEO000000000](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nuccore/AJEO000000000)).

E. faecalis is a Gram-positive, facultatively anaerobic coccus that is a commensal inhabitant of the gastrointestinal and female genital tract.<sup>4</sup> It is also the most frequently isolated species, often as a mono-infection, from root canals of endodontically treated teeth with persistent apical periodontitis.<sup>5</sup> E. faecalis is an opportunistic pathogen and has become a serious concern in hospitals because of its inherent hardness and high levels of antibiotic resistance.<sup>6</sup> Virulent strains often express a cytolysin toxin that is encoded on various mobile genetic elements, pathogenicity islands, and conjugative plasmids.<sup>7</sup>

### 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-32002 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: Specific growth conditions are reported on the Certificate of Analysis for each lot.

#### Media:

Tryptic Soy broth, Brain Heart Infusion broth or equivalent  
Tryptic Soy agar, Tryptic Soy agar with 5% defibrinated sheep blood, Brain Heart Infusion agar or equivalent

#### Incubation:

Temperature: 35 to 37°C

Atmosphere: Aerobic (with or without 5% CO<sub>2</sub>) 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 tube, slant and/or plate for 24 hours.

### Citation:

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### Biosafety Level: 2

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