

***Ruminococcaceae* sp., Strain D16**

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Product Description:

Bacteria Classification: *Clostridiales*, *Ruminococcaceae*

Species: *Ruminococcaceae* sp.

Strain: D16

Original Source: *Ruminococcaceae* sp., strain D16 was isolated in 2007 from the ascending colon of a 57-year-old male patient undergoing a colonoscopy as part of a colon cancer screen procedure in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.^{1,2}

Comments: *Ruminococcaceae* sp., strain D16 ([HMP ID 866](#)) is a reference genome for [The Human Microbiome Project](#) (HMP). HMP is an initiative to identify and characterize human microbial flora. The complete genome of *Ruminococcaceae* sp., strain D16 was sequenced at the [Broad Institute](#) (GenBank: [ADDX00000000](#)).

Note: HMP material is taxonomically classified by the depositor. Quality control of these materials is only performed to demonstrate that the material distributed by BEI Resources is identical to the deposited material.

Ruminococcaceae species are usually strictly anaerobic, chemo-organotrophic, non-sporulating, rod-shaped bacteria that require fermentable carbohydrates to grow. *Ruminococcaceae* species have a Gram-positive cell wall but many strains have been reported to stain Gram-negative or Gram-variable.³ Most *Ruminococcaceae* species are found in significant number in the gut of humans and animals, allowing the host to digest cellulose.

Material Provided:

Each vial contains approximately 0.5 mL of bacterial culture in 0.5X Tryptic Soy broth with hemin (5 µg/mL) and menadione (1 µg/mL) supplemented with 10% glycerol.

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

Packaging/Storage:

HM-79 was packaged aseptically in 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 supplemented with hemin (5 µg/mL) and menadione (1 µg/mL)¹ or equivalent

Tryptic Soy agar supplemented with hemin (5 µg/mL) and menadione (1 µg/mL)¹ or equivalent

Incubation:

Temperature: 37°C

Atmosphere: Anaerobic (80% N₂:20% CO₂ or 90% N₂:5% CO₂:5% H₂)

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 at 37°C for 24 to 72 hours.

Citation:

Acknowledgment for publications should read "The following reagent was obtained through BEI Resources, NIAID, NIH as part of the Human Microbiome Project: *Ruminococcaceae* sp., Strain D16, HM-79."

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, 2009; see www.cdc.gov/biosafety/publications/bmbl5/index.htm.

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