

Product Information Sheet for NR-403

Campylobacter jejuni, Strain INP21

Catalog No. NR-403

(Derived from ATCC® BAA-530™)

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Product Description:

Bacteria Classification: Campylobacteraceae,

Campylobacter

Species: Campylobacter jejuni

Strain: INP21 (also referred to as RM3148)

Serotype: HS:41

Original Source: Campylobacter jejuni (C. jejuni), strain INP21 was originally isolated by Irving Nachamkin and Patricia Arzarte in 1997 from a patient with Guillain-Barré syndrome at the National Institute of Pediatrics in Mexico City, Mexico.^{1,2}

<u>Comment</u>: In 2002, strain INP21 was deposited to the ATCC as Penner serotype HS:41.

C. jejuni is a Gram-negative, slender, curved, motile rod commonly found in animal feces. It is a microaerophilic organism that is very sensitive to environmental stresses.³ *C. jejuni* is among the most frequently identified bacterial causes of human gastroenteritis in the United States and other industrialized countries.⁴ Food poisoning caused by *C. jejuni* can be largely attributed to the consumption of contaminated food animal products, especially poultry. In most cases, the resulting infection can be severely debilitating but is rarely lifethreatening. However, in some cases, *C. jejuni* infections have been linked to the subsequent development of two neuropathies, Guillain-Barré syndrome and Miller-Fisher syndrome⁴ and to a reactive arthropathy, Reiter syndrome.^{1,3-6}

Material Provided:

Each vial contains approximately 0.5 mL of bacterial culture in Brucella broth supplemented with 10% glycerol.

Packaging/Storage:

NR-403 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:

Media:

Brucella broth on Tryptic Soy agar with 5% defibrinated sheep blood, or equivalent

Incubation:

Temperature: 37°C to 42°C

Atmosphere: Microaerophilic (3 to $5\% O_2$ and 4 to $8\% CO_2$)

Propagation:

- 1. Keep vial frozen until ready to use, then thaw.
- 2. Transfer the entire thawed aliquot into Brucella broth.
- 3. Inoculate a Tryptic Soy agar with 5% defibrinated sheep blood slant with the suspension.
- Incubate the slant at 37°C to 42°C, under microaerophilic conditions, for 2 days.
- 5. Harvest the slant with Brucella broth and add to Tryptic Soy agar with 5% defibrinated sheep blood kolle.
- Incubate an additional day at 37°C to 42°C, under microaerophilic conditions.

Note: The thawed vial may be plated directly on Tryptic Soy agar with 5% defibrinated sheep blood and grown at 37°C to 42°C in a microaerophilic atmosphere. This may require a longer incubation time than the biphasic culture.

Citation:

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Biosafety Level: 2

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