

Streptococcus pyogenes, Strain H728 (Genotype emm89)

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Product Description:

Bacteria Classification: Streptococcaceae, Streptococcus

Species: Streptococcus pyogenes

Strain: H728

Serotype: M89 (new clade)

Original Source: Streptococcus pyogenes (S. pyogenes), strain H728 was isolated in 2009 from the blood of a patient with pneumonia and mediastinitis in the United Kingdom.¹

Comments: S. pyogenes, strain H728 has been molecularly characterized as a Group A Streptococcus strain with genotype emm89 and was deposited as being acapsular and a high producer of NADase and streptolysin-O (SLO) toxins.¹ The complete genome of S. pyogenes, strain H728 is currently being sequenced.

S. pyogenes is a non-motile, non-sporulating, Gram-positive, β-hemolytic coccus found in normal human nasopharyngeal flora and is one of the most frequent pathogens of humans. It is estimated that between 5-15% of normal individuals harbor S. pyogenes without signs of disease. Mild infections may present as pharyngitis (strep throat), scarlet fever (rash), impetigo (superficial skin) or cellulitis (deep skin). Invasive, toxicogenic infections can result in necrotizing fasciitis, myositis and streptococcal toxic shock syndrome.²⁻⁶

Group A Streptococcus (GAS) is often associated with the emergence and expansion of the emm genotype. The evolution of this genotype may be due to the transfer of virulence factors between strains via bacteriophages or other mobile elements. emm89 is among the top 5 emm types capable of causing invasive and noninvasive disease.⁷

Material Provided:

Each vial contains approximately 0.5 mL of bacterial culture in 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-50136 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 or Todd-Hewitt broth or equivalent

Tryptic Soy agar or Tryptic Soy agar with 5% defibrinated sheep blood or Todd-Hewitt agar or equivalent

Incubation:

Temperature: 37°C

Atmosphere: Aerobic with 5% CO₂

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 1 day.

Citation:

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Biosafety Level: 2

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