

Genomic DNA from *Bacillus cereus*, Strain G9241

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Product Description:

Genomic DNA was isolated from a preparation of *Bacillus cereus*, strain G9241.

Bacillus cereus (*B. cereus*), strain G9241 was isolated from the sputum and blood of a welder with life-threatening pneumonia in Louisiana in 1994. A draft of the complete genome of this strain has been completed (GenBank: AAEK000000).¹

B. cereus, strain G9241 contains 2 large plasmids known as pBCXO1 and pBC218. pBCXO1 has significant homology to *B. anthracis* pXO1 and harbors the entire anthrax toxin biosynthetic complex.¹ pBC218 contains genes capable of capsule production, however they are not homologous to the *B. anthracis* capsule genes found on pXO2.² *B. cereus*, strain G9241 contains genes that may provide resistance to β -lactam, chloramphenicol, and macrolide antibiotics.¹

NR-10050 has been qualified for PCR applications by amplification of approximately 1500 bp of the 16S ribosomal RNA gene.

Material Provided:

Each vial contains 4 to 6 μ g of bacterial genomic DNA in TE buffer (10 mM Tris-HCl and 1 mM EDTA, pH 7.4). The concentration is shown on the Certificate of Analysis. The vial should be centrifuged prior to opening.

Packaging/Storage:

NR-10050 was packaged aseptically in screw-capped plastic cryovials. The product is provided frozen on dry ice and should be stored at -20°C or colder immediately upon arrival. Freeze-thaw cycles should be minimized.

Citation:

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Biosafety Level: 1

Appropriate safety procedures should always be used with this material. Laboratory safety is discussed in the following

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