**Vibrio cholerae, Strain MO45**

**Catalog No. NR-144**
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**Product Description:**

*Bacteria Classification*: Vibronaceae, Vibrio  
*Species*: *Vibrio cholerae*  
*Strain*: MO45  
*Serogroup*: O:139 (Bengal)  
*Original Source*:  
Cholera patient in Madras, India, 1992  
*Comment*: This strain is the O139 reference strain. This strain is resistant to ampicillin, co-trimoxazole, furazolidone and streptomycin.  

*Vibrio cholerae* (V. cholerae) is a natural inhabitant of warm aquatic environments and the causative agent of the diarrheal disease cholera. More than 200 O-antigen serogroups have been identified but only O1 and more recently O139 are known to cause epidemic and pandemic cholera. Occasionally, there are cholera outbreaks that result from non-O1 and non-O139 serotypes. *V. cholerae* colonizes the mucosal surface of the small intestines of humans, the only known animal host. Cholera has a high lethality if left untreated, and millions have died in the seven pandemics that have occurred since 1817.

Cholera toxin, the toxin-coregulated pilus (TCP) and the central regulatory protein, ToxR, are recognized as significant factors in the pathogenicity of toxigenic strains of *V. cholerae* serogroups O1 and O139.

**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-144 was packaged aseptically in screw-capped plastic cryovials. The product is provided frozen and should be stored at -80°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 equivalent

**Incubation:**
Temperature: 37°C  
Atmosphere: Aerobic  

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 tubes and plate at 37°C for 24 hours.

**Citation:**

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**Biosafety Level:** 2


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