

Actinomyces sp., Strain S6-Spd3

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Product Description:

Bacteria Classification: Actinomycetaceae, Actinomyces

Species: Actinomyces sp.

Strain: S6-Spd3

Original Source: Actinomyces sp., strain S6-Spd3 is a vaginal isolate obtained in 2012 from a woman with bacterial vaginosis in Seattle, Washington, USA.^{1,2}

Comments: Actinomyces sp., strain S6-Spd3 ([HMP ID 1627](#)) 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 Actinomyces sp., strain S6-Spd3 was sequenced at the [J. Craig Venter Institute](#) (GenBank: [JRMV01000000](#)).

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Actinomyces species are Gram-positive, facultatively anaerobic, rod-shaped bacteria found as predominate flora of the normal human oral cavity, as well as the urogenital and gastrointestinal tracts.^{3,4} Present from infancy to adulthood, Actinomyces species are the primary colonizers which initiate plaque formation and provide a platform for the adherence of other plaque bacteria, inviting infectious disease development.^{3,5} Actinomyces species are opportunistic pathogens, requiring damage to mucosal barriers to cause infection.³

Material Provided:

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

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

Packaging/Storage:

HM-1090 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:

Actinomyces broth or equivalent

Tryptic Soy agar with 5% defibrinated sheep blood or equivalent

Incubation:

Temperature: 37°C

Atmosphere: Anaerobic

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 2 to 5 days.

Citation:

Acknowledgment for publications should read “The following reagent was obtained through BEI Resources, NIAID, NIH as part of the Human Microbiome Project: Actinomyces sp., Strain S6-Spd3, HM-1090.”

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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