

***Escherichia coli* – *Staphylococcus aureus*
Shuttle Vector pCN40, Recombinant in
*Staphylococcus aureus***

Catalog No. NR-46131

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Product Description:

NR-46131 is a culture of *Staphylococcus aureus* (*S. aureus*), strain RN4220 (RN9594, NRS594) containing the *Escherichia coli* (*E. coli*)-staphylococcal shuttle vector pCN40 (pNR-46131). Vector pCN40 contains the *E. coli* ColE1 replication origin, the *S. aureus* pT181 *cop-wt-repC* replicon and the P_{blaz} promoter. Vector pCN40 was deposited as resistant to ampicillin and erythromycin in *E. coli* and resistant to erythromycin in *S. aureus*.¹

The complete sequence and vector map of pCN40 have been determined and are available on the Certificate of Analysis for NR-46131 lot 62782861. The BEI Resources vector sequence (pNR-46131) is available (GenBank: [KP255996](#)).

Vector pCN40 is a member of a series of novel shuttle vectors that were developed using PCR-designed cassettes to allow for easy exchange of vector components. The base shuttle vectors are comprised of (i) a staphylococcal replicon (pT181-based low-copy number, high-copy-number or thermosensitive replicons or pl258-based low-copy-number theta replicon), (ii) a staphylococcal selectable marker (erythromycin, tetracycline, chloramphenicol, kanamycin or spectinomycin resistance), (iii) an *E. coli* ColE1-based replicon (iv) an *E. coli* selectable marker (ampicillin resistance) and (v) a pUC19-derived expanded multiple cloning site (MCS). Additionally, some of the vectors may contain a staphylococcal ϕ 11 phage fragment, staphylococcal pathogenicity island SaP11 fragment, an inducible or constitutive promoter, and reporter genes.¹

Material Provided:

Each vial of NR-46131 contains approximately 0.5 mL of bacterial culture in Casitone-Yeast (CY) broth containing 0.1 M glycerol phosphate and 10 μ g/mL erythromycin supplemented with 10% glycerol.

Packaging/Storage:

NR-46131 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:

Casitone-Yeast broth containing 10 μ g/mL erythromycin

Tryptic Soy agar containing 10 μ g/mL erythromycin

Incubation:

Temperature: 37°C

Atmosphere: Aerobic

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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