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# Acinetobacter baumannii, Strain MRSN 14237

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# **Product Description:**

Bacteria Classification: Moraxellaceae, Acinetobacter Species: Acinetobacter baumannii

Strain: MRSN 14237

- <u>Original Source</u>: Acinetobacter baumannii (A. baumannii), strain MRSN 14237 was isolated in 2012 from a human wound in Central America as part of a global surveillance program.<sup>1,2</sup>
- Comments: A. baumannii, strain MRSN 14237 was deposited as part of the MRSN Acinetobacter baumannii Diversity Panel available from BEI Resources as NR-52248. NR-52192 was deposited as multi-locus sequence type (MLST) ST 1118, sensitive to colistin and resistant to amikacin, ceftazidime, ciprofloxacin, ceftriaxone, cefepime, gentamicin, imipenem, trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole, levofloxacin, meropenem, tobramycin, tetracycline and ampicillin/sulbactam. Strain MRSN 14237 is reported to have five aminoglycoside transferase genes [aac(3)-IIa, aac(6')-lan, aph(3")-lb, aph(3')-Vla and aph(6)-ld; conferring resistance to various aminoglycosides], four beta-lactamase genes (blaADC-25, blaOXA-23, blaOXA-90 and blaTEM-1B; conferring resistance to beta-lactams), a sulfonamide resistance gene (sul2; conferring resistance to sulfonamides) and a tetracycline resistance gene [tet(B); conferring resistance to tetracycline].<sup>1</sup> The complete genome of A. baumannii, strain MRSN 14237 is available (GenBank: VHGY0000000).

*A. baumannii* is an aerobic, Gram-negative bacillus that exhibits the ability to rapidly develop antibiotic resistance and is a major cause of hospital-acquired infection.<sup>3</sup> The genomes of multidrug resistant strains of *A. baumannii* contain resistance "islands" that can contain up to 45 resistance genes. Acquisition of these antibiotic resistance genes occurs through genetic exchange of plasmids, transposons and integrons with *Pseudomonas, Salmonella* and *Escherichia* species.<sup>4,5</sup>

# **Material Provided:**

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

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

# Packaging/Storage:

NR-52192 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:

Nutrient broth or Tryptic Soy broth or equivalent

Nutrient agar or Tryptic Soy agar or Tryptic Soy agar with 5% defibrinated sheep blood or equivalent

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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# **Biosafety Level: 2**

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