

***Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, Strain 993538**

**Catalog No. NR-56674**

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**Product Description:**

Bacteria Classification: *Pseudomonadaceae*, *Pseudomonas*

Species: *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*

Strain: 993538

Original Source: *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (*P. aeruginosa*), strain 993538 was isolated in 2013 from an abscess sample of a 51-year-old female in Malaysia.

Comments: *P. aeruginosa*, strain 993538 was deposited as part of the Global Priority Superbugs Collection. NR-56674 was deposited as resistant to aztreonam, cefepime, ceftazidime, ciprofloxacin, levofloxacin and piperacillin/tazobactam.

*P. aeruginosa* is a Gram-negative, aerobic, rod-shaped bacterium with unipolar motility that thrives in many diverse environments including soil, water and certain eukaryotic hosts. It is a key emerging opportunistic pathogen in animals, including humans and plants. While it rarely infects healthy individuals, *P. aeruginosa* causes severe acute and chronic nosocomial infections in immunocompromised or catheterized patients, especially in patients with cystic fibrosis, burns, cancer or HIV.<sup>1,2,3</sup> Infections of this type are often highly antibiotic resistant, difficult to eradicate and often lead to death. The ability of *P. aeruginosa* to survive on minimal nutritional requirements, tolerate a variety of physical conditions and rapidly develop resistance during the course of therapy has allowed it to persist in both community and hospital settings.<sup>3,4</sup>

**Material Provided:**

Each vial contains approximately 0.3 mL of bacterial culture in 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-56674 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:

Tryptic Soy broth or Brain Heart Infusion broth or Nutrient broth or equivalent

Tryptic Soy agar with 5% defibrinated sheep blood or Brain Heart Infusion agar or Nutrient agar 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:**

Acknowledgment for publications should read “The following reagent was obtained through BEI Resources, NIAID, NIH: *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, Strain 993538, NR-56674.”

**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 \(BMBL\)](#). 6th ed. Washington, DC: U.S. Government Printing Office, 2020.

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