

***Mycobacterium intracellulare*, Strain 1956**

**Catalog No. NR-44267**

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**Product Description:**

*Mycobacterium intracellulare* (*M. intracellulare*), strain 1956 was isolated in 2011 from human sputum at NIAID, NIH, Bethesda, Maryland, USA. NR-44267 was produced by inoculation of BEI Resources seed lot 62009739 into Middlebrook 7H9 broth with ADC enrichment and grown for 14 days at 37°C in an aerobic atmosphere with 5% CO<sub>2</sub>. Broth inoculum was added to Middlebrook 7H10 agar with OADC enrichment kolles, which were grown for 14 days at 37°C in an aerobic atmosphere with 5% CO<sub>2</sub> to produce this lot. Quality control testing was completed under propagation conditions unless otherwise noted.

**Lot: 70062659**

**Manufacturing Date: 11SEP2023**

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TEST	SPECIFICATIONS	RESULTS
<b>Phenotypic Analysis<sup>1</sup></b> Cellular morphology Colony morphology  Motility (wet mount) Growth rate Growth at 45°C Growth at 55°C Acid-fast stain Pigmentation in the dark (Scotochromogen) Nonchromogen (no pigment) VITEK® MS (MALDI-TOF) Biochemical tests <sup>3</sup> Catalase Catalase (semiquantitative) Catalase (68°C) Iron uptake Nitrate reduction Tween 80 Urease Growth in the presence of 5% sodium chloride Growth in the presence of thiophene-2-carboxylic acid hydrazide (TCH)	Gram-positive rods Report results  Report results ≥ 7 days Negative Negative Positive (red colonies) Positive (yellow pigment) Negative (yellow pigment) <i>M. intracellulare</i>  Positive Negative Positive Negative Negative Negative Negative Negative Negative Negative Negative Positive	Gram-positive rods Circular, convex, entire, smooth and cream (Figure 1)  Non-motile 14 days Negative Negative Positive (red colonies) <b>Negative (no pigment produced)<sup>2</sup></b> <b>Positive (no pigment produced)<sup>2</sup></b> <i>M. intracellulare</i> (99.9%)  <b>Negative<sup>2</sup></b> Negative Positive Negative Negative Negative Negative Negative Negative Positive
<b>Genotypic Analysis</b> Sequencing of 16S ribosomal RNA gene (1400 base pairs)  Sequencing of Heat Shock Protein 65 gene (~ 440 base pairs)  Digital DNA-DNA hybridization (dDDH) <sup>5</sup>	≥ 99% sequence identity to <i>M. intracellulare</i> , strain 1956 (GenBank: JAOG01000001.1) ≥ 99% sequence identity to <i>M. intracellulare</i> , strain 1956 (GenBank: JAOG01000003.1) ≥ 70% for species identification	100% sequence identity to <i>M. intracellulare</i> , strain 1956 (GenBank: JAOG01000001.1) <sup>4</sup> 99.8% sequence identity to <i>M. intracellulare</i> , strain 1956 (GenBank: JAOG01000003.1) <sup>4</sup> <i>M. intracellulare</i> (92.5%) <sup>6</sup> <i>M. paraintracellulare</i> (88.6%) <i>M. indicuspranii</i> (88.1%) <i>M. intracellulare</i> subsp. <i>chimaera</i> (78.2%) <i>M. intracellulare</i> subsp. <i>yongonense</i> (77.8%)

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<b>Purity (post-freeze)</b> Middlebrook 7H10 agar with OADC enrichment <sup>7</sup> 14 days at 37°C in an aerobic atmosphere with 5% CO <sub>2</sub>	Growth consistent with expected colony morphology	Growth consistent with expected colony morphology
<b>Purity (post-freeze)</b> Tryptic Soy agar 14 days at 37°C in an aerobic atmosphere with 5% CO <sub>2</sub>	Report results	Growth consistent with expected colony morphology
<b>Viability</b>	Growth	Growth

<sup>1</sup>Information on *Mycobacterium* testing is available from Ribón, W. "Biochemical Isolation and Identification of Mycobacteria." Biochemical Testing. (2012) Jose C. Jimenez-Lopez (Ed.), InTech, Available from: [Biochemical Isolation and Identification of Mycobacteria](#), Lévy-Frébault, V. V. and F. Portaeals. "Proposed Minimal Standards for the Genus *Mycobacterium* and for Description of New Slowly Growing *Mycobacterium* Species." Int. J. Syst. Bacteriol. 42 (1992): 315-323. PubMed: 1581193, and Magee, J. G. and A. C. Ward. "Family III. *Mycobacteriaceae* Chester 1897, 63<sup>AL</sup>." Bergey's® Manual of Systematic Bacteriology, Volume 5. (2012) Goodfellow, M., et al. (Ed.), Springer.

<sup>2</sup>The specification for this test was established using the test result from BEI Resources seed lot 62009739. Species-level identification and characterization of *Mycobacterium* spp. through biochemical testing has been shown to produce inconsistent or nonreproducible results. The use of whole genome sequencing (WGS) and digital DNA-DNA hybridization (dDDH) provides quantitative species-level identification that is accurate, precise, and reproducible. BEI Resources will be discontinuing the use of biochemical testing to identify *Mycobacterium* spp. in favor of WGS/dDDH. For more information, refer to Forbes, B. A., et al. "Practical Guidance for Clinical Microbiology Laboratories: Mycobacteria." Clin. Microbiol. Rev. 31 (2018): e00038-17. PubMed: 29386234.

<sup>3</sup>Negative tests are observed for > 7 days.

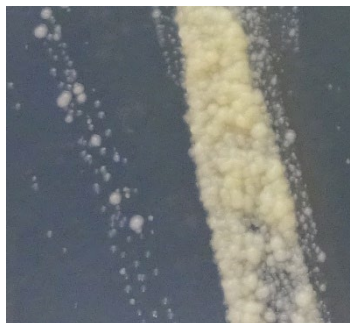
<sup>4</sup>Also consistent with other members of the *M. avium-M. intracellulare* species complex

<sup>5</sup>Relatedness between bacterial strains has traditionally been determined using DDH. For additional information refer to Auch, A.F., et al. "Digital DNA-DNA Hybridization for Microbial Species Delineation by Means of Genome-to-Genome Sequence Comparison." Stand. Genomic Sci. 2 (2010): 117-134. PubMed: 21304684.

<sup>6</sup>The whole genome of *M. intracellulare*, strain 1956 (contig total length approximately 5.44 megabase pairs) was sequenced using the Illumina® NextSeq® system.

<sup>7</sup>M7H10 agar with OADC enrichment contains malachite green, which may inhibit growth of contaminating microorganisms

Figure 1: Colony Morphology



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