

***Treponema pallidum* subsp. *endemicum*, Strain Bosnia A (in vitro)**

Catalog No. NR-60824

Product Description:

Treponema pallidum (*T. pallidum*) subsp. *endemicum*, strain Bosnia A was deposited to BEI Resources as a strain adapted to *in vitro* culture in *Sylvilagus floridanus* (cottontail rabbit) epithelial cells (ATCC® CCL-68™). Strain Bosnia A was originally isolated in 1950 from the penile lesion exudate of a human male patient with endemic syphilis presenting with mucous patches in the oral cavity and papular lesions on the face, trunk and extremities in Bosnia. NR-60824 was produced by inoculation of the testes of a New Zealand white rabbit with a frozen stock from a prior rabbit infection. On day 10 post-infection, the infected rabbit was euthanized, and the testes were immediately aseptically removed and minced. NR-60824 was extracted from the minced tissue in *T. pallidum* Cultivation Medium 2 (TpCM-2) with 20% heat-inactivated fetal bovine serum (FBS) under microaerobic conditions (1.5% O₂) for 30 minutes followed by centrifugation twice at 500 × g for 7 minutes to remove tissue debris.

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TEST	SPECIFICATIONS	RESULTS
Phenotypic Analysis¹ Cellular morphology Motility (wet mount)	Spirochete Motile	Spirochete Motile ²
Concentration¹	Report results	12.8 × 10 ⁷ cells/mL
Amount per vial¹	Report results	1.6 × 10 ⁸ cells in 1.25 mL
Viability (post-freeze)¹	Growth	Growth ³

¹Production and QC testing were performed by the depositor [Steven J. Norris, Ph.D., Professor and Vice Chair for Research, Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston McGovern Medical School, Houston, Texas, USA].

²Motility was confirmed by examination by darkfield microscopy following the procedure described in: Edmondson, D. G. and S. J. Norris. "In Vitro Cultivation of the Syphilis Spirochete *Treponema pallidum*." *Curr. Protoc.* 1 (2021): e44. PubMed: 33599121. Please refer to this reference before starting work with NR-60824.

³Viability was confirmed by propagation in *Sylvilagus floridanus* epithelial cells (Sf1Ep; ATCC® CCL-68™) at 34°C with a microaerophilic atmosphere (1.5% O₂; 5% CO₂; 93.5% N₂).

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