

Certificate of Analysis for NR-51674

Borrelia recurrentis, Strain PAbJ

Catalog No. NR-51674

Product Description:

Borrelia recurrentis (B. recurrentis), strain PAbJ was isolated in Germany in 2015 from the blood of a human with louse-borne relapsing fever who originated in Somalia and migrated to Germany. NR-51674 lot 70027339 was produced by inoculation of the deposited material into Revised Barbour-Stoenner-Kelly broth and grown for 7 days at 33°C in an aerobic atmosphere with 5% CO₂. Broth inoculum was added to Revised Barbour-Stoenner-Kelly broth and grown for 8 days at 33°C in an aerobic atmosphere with 5% CO₂ to produce this lot.

Lot: 70027339 Manufacturing Date: 08NOV2019

TEST	SPECIFICATIONS	RESULTS
Phenotypic Analysis		
Cellular morphology	Spirochete	Spirochete
7 days at 33°C in an aerobic atmosphere with		
5% CO ₂ in Revised Barbour-Stoenner-Kelly broth		
Motility (wet mount)	Report results	Motile
Genotypic Analysis		
Sequencing of 16S ribosomal RNA (rRNA) gene	≥ 99% sequence identity to	99.9% sequence identity to
(~ 1340 base pairs)	B. recurrentis, strain A1	B. recurrentis, strain A1
	(GenBank: CP000993.1)	(GenBank: CP000993.1) ¹
Purity (post-freeze)		
7 days at 33°C in an aerobic atmosphere with 5% CO ₂	Growth consistent with colony	No growth
on Tryptic Soy agar with 5% defibrinated sheep blood	morphology or no growth	
7 days at 37°C in an aerobic atmosphere with 5% CO ₂	No growth	No growth
on Tryptic Soy agar with 5% defibrinated sheep blood		
Viability (post-freeze)		
Visual observation	Growth	Growth
7 days at 33°C in an aerobic atmosphere with		
5% CO ₂ in Revised Barbour-Stoenner-Kelly broth		
LIVE/DEAD [®] <i>Bac</i> Light™ Bacterial Viability	Green fluorescence visible	Green fluorescence visible (Figure 1) ²

¹Also consistent with other *Borrelia* species. *B. recurrentis* and *B. duttonii* cannot be differentiated by sequencing of the 16S rRNA gene (Marosevic, D., et al. "First Insights in the Variability of *Borrelia recurrentis* Genomes." <u>PLoS Negl. Trop. Dis.</u> 11 (2017): e0005865. PubMed: 28902847.).

²Determined after 3 days at 33°C in an aerobic atmosphere with 5% CO₂ in Revised Barbour-Stoenner-Kelly broth with LIVE/DEAD® *Bac*Light™ Bacterial Viability Kit, 1000× magnification (Invitrogen™ L34856). Cells with a compromised membrane that are dead or dying will stain red, while cells with an intact membrane will stain green.

Figure 1: LIVE/DEAD® BacLight™ Bacterial Viability



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