



Nitrococcus mobilis Watson and Waterbury

25380™

Description

Strain designation: Nb-231

Deposited As: *Nitrococcus mobilis* Watson and Waterbury

Type strain: Yes

Storage Conditions

Product format: Frozen

Intended Use

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Certificate of Analysis

For batch-specific test results, refer to the applicable certificate of analysis that can be found at www.atcc.org.

Growth Conditions

Medium:

ATCC Medium 481: Nitrobacter medium 204

Temperature: 26°C

Handling Procedures

1. Thaw frozen vial at room temperature and aseptically transfer vial contents to 5.0 ml of ATCC Medium #481 contained in a large test tube (20 X 150 mm).
2. Incubate tube at 26°C, static, in the dark, and in a slanted position to increase surface area.
3. Monitor culture growth daily by assaying for the disappearance of NO₂ in the culture medium. Withdraw 0.1 ml from the culture and place in a small test tube. Add one drop of NO₂ Reagent A followed by one drop of NO₂ Reagent B, mixing after

each addition. Pink color development occurs within 10 minutes and is directly related to amount of NO₂ present. Initial tests will probably be dark magenta reflecting the 20 mM NO₂ concentration of medium #481; but as culture grows and NO₂ is oxidized, color will become magenta, pink and finally clear. This process can take from 3 to 20 days depending on the viability of the stock.

4. When all NO₂ has been oxidized, inoculate a 250 ml flask containing 100 ml of medium #481 with the 5.0 ml tube culture. Wrap the flask in foil to protect from light and incubate at 26°C with gentle shaking. Monitor NO₂ concentration daily.

5. When NO₂ is again depleted in the culture medium, either transfer the culture to fresh media or feed the culture by adding additional NO₂. A 10% inoculum is recommended for transfers. To feed cultures, aseptically add sterile NaNO₂ solution, returning NO₂ concentrations to approximately 10 mM (3.5 ml of 2% NaNO₂ per 100 ml culture). Cells should be harvested or sub-cultured to fresh media when cultures can utilize 10 mM NO₂ in less than 24 hours and cell numbers are greater than 10 cells per field at 1000X magnification.

6. Cells can be harvested by centrifugation. For long-term storage, 1.0 ml aliquots of concentrated cells can be frozen with glycerol as the cryoprotectant at a final concentration of 10%. Frozen vial should be stored at

-70°C or below for best preservation.

Notes

If the strain is received as a test tube culture, transfer to fresh media upon arrival (see step 4).

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Material Citation

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