



# *Mycoplasma genitalium* Tully et al.

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## Description

**Strain designation:** TW48-5G

**Deposited As:** *Mycoplasma genitalium* Tully et al.

**Type strain:** No

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## Storage Conditions

**Product format:** Frozen

**Storage conditions:** -80°C or colder

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## Intended Use

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## Growth Conditions

**Medium:**

ATCC Medium 0988: Spiroplasma medium SP-4

**Temperature:** 37°C

**Atmosphere:** 95% Air, 5% CO<sub>2</sub>

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## Handling Procedures

1. Follow instructions as suggested for the culturing of Mollicutes:

PROCEDURES FOR PROPAGATING MOLLICUTES:

- a. Allow the vial to thaw on bench top.
- b. Using a Pasteur or 1.0 mL pipette, withdraw the entire contents of the vial.

- c. Aseptically transfer this aliquot back into the maintenance media tube. Mix well.
  - d. Make serial dilutions by transferring 0.5 mL from the original tube to a tube containing 4.5 mL. Repeat process by transferring 0.5 mL from the second to a third tube, etc. Dilutions are important, not only for titration purposes, but also to keep culture in varying stages of growth. Many strains will die out rapidly once acid or alkaline conditions are reached. It is recommended to prepare several dilutions from the initial tube as the cryoprotectant used in the freeze-drying process often inhibits growth.
  - e. Use an uninoculated tube of broth to serve as a control.
  - f. Plates may be inoculated to check colonial morphology. You can also spot each dilution on the surface of plate to determine the number of colony-forming units. However, not all strains do well on solid medium.
  - g. Incubate all tubes and plates under the recommended conditions and appropriate temperature. The time necessary for growth will vary from strain to strain. Growth on plates generally requires additional incubation.
  - h. Depending on the medium used, growth will be indicated by increased turbidity, a color change, or both.
2. This strain starts to show turbidity in the first few dilution tubes after 3 to 7 days. Additional incubation is required for growth on solid agar.
  3. Subsequent, fresh transfers grow more rapidly than the original culture. This strain produces moderate turbidity.
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## Notes

Commercially available SP4 with Glucose (Remel catalog # R112585 or R20057 or R20376) may yield the best growth.

This strain requires an additional 5% heat-inactivated fetal bovine serum for growth.

Growth is best achieved in T-Flasks.

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