



Enterococcus faecium (Orla-Jensen) Schleifer and Kilpper-Balz

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Description

Enterococcus faecium strain Vancomycin-dependent #4 is a drug-resistant bacterium that was isolated in 1992 from human blood. This whole-genome sequenced strain is resistant to teicoplanin and vancomycin.

Strain designation: Vancomycin-dependent #4

Deposited As: *Enterococcus faecium* (Orla-Jensen) Schleifer and Kilpper-Balz

Type strain: No

Storage Conditions

Product format: Freeze-dried

Storage conditions: 2°C to 8°C

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Growth Conditions

Medium:

ATCC Medium 1976: Tryptic soy blood agar with VAN 4

Temperature: 37°C

Atmosphere: 95% Air, 5% CO₂

Handling Procedures

1. Open vial according to enclosed instructions.
2. Using a single tube of #1976 broth (5 to 6 mL), withdraw approximately 0.5 to

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- 1.0 mL with a Pasteur or 1.0 mL pipette. Rehydrate the entire pellet.
 3. Aseptically transfer this aliquot back into the broth tube. Mix well.
 4. Use several drops of the suspension to inoculate a #1976 agar slant and/or plate.
 5. Incubate the tubes and plate at 37°C in an atmosphere of 5% CO₂ for 24 hours. Loosen the screw caps.
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Notes

Testing on the source material at the ATCC has shown the presence of revertants that are no longer vancomycin-dependent.

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Material Citation

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