



Magnetospirillum magnetotacticum **(Maratea and Blakemore) Schleifer et al.**

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Description

Type strain

Strain designation: MS-1

Deposited As: *Aquaspirillum magnetotacticum* Maratea and Blakemore

Type strain: Yes

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Storage Conditions

Product format: Frozen

Storage conditions: -80°C or colder

Intended Use

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Growth Conditions

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Medium:

ATCC Medium 1653: Revised magnetic *Spirillum* growth medium (MSGM)

Temperature: 30°C

Atmosphere: Microaerophilic

Handling Procedures

1. Thaw contents of the vial in a 37°C water bath with gentle agitation.
 2. Inoculate a single 16 x 125 mm tube of #1653 broth with the contents of the thawed vial. Be sure the entire tube is filled with medium to achieve microaerophilic conditions.
 3. Incubate at 28°C to 30°C for 4 to 10 days.
 4. When broth becomes cloudy and a small gray sediment is visible at the bottom of the tube, cells can be harvested. Divide contents of the tube into two tubes and spin in a tabletop centrifuge.
 5. Discard the supernatant liquid. Do not bubble or shake cells. Resuspend cells in a 125 mL flask filled to capacity.
 6. Incubate as directed above.
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Notes

The medium may turn white. Test for magnetism by subjecting flasks to magnetic stirring plate. The cells will swirl.

For storage, centrifuge cells for 30 minutes at 7,000 rpm. Discard the supernatant liquid. Resuspend cells in approximately 6 ml of fresh broth. Add an equal amount of sterile 20% glycerol. Freeze at as low a temperature as available.

When this strain is grown under microaerophilic conditions, the cells are magnetotactic. They have magnetite inclusions, which cause the cells to turn in a magnetic field. This can be observed in a wet mount from a broth culture. The strain will grow aerobically, but will not be magnetic.

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Product Sheet

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