



Leptospira interrogans (Stimson) Wenyon

43642™

Description

Leptospira interrogans strain RGA was isolated in 1915 from human blood via guinea pig.

Strain designation: RGA

Type strain: Yes

Serotype: icterohaemorrhagiae

Storage Conditions

Product format: Frozen

Storage conditions: -80°C or colder

Intended Use

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Growth Conditions

Medium:

ATCC Medium 2653: *Leptospira* Medium

ATCC Medium 260: Trypticase soy agar/broth with defibrinated sheep blood

Temperature: 30°C**Atmosphere:** Aerobic

Handling Procedures

1. TRANSFER IMMEDIATELY upon thawing by aseptically withdrawing cell suspension from vial and inoculating a 10-12 mL tube of Medium #2653, inserting the pipette just below the surface of the semi-solid medium. Aliquots of 0.5 mL from this tube may be used to inoculate additional tubes if needed.

- An aerobic blood plate may also be streaked to test for purity.
2. Incubate test tubes with screw caps lightly tightened along with the blood plate at 30°C under aerobic conditions.
 3. Initial growth may take up to 7 days. Observe growth as a thin, tight band forming just below the surface of the medium. The band thickens as incubation continues.
 4. The aerobic blood plate should show no signs of growth.
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Notes

Additional information on this culture is available on the ATCC® web site at www.atcc.org.

Material Citation

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