

Babesia duncani, Strain WA1, Clone BdWA1-301 (in vitro)

Catalog No. NR-59103

Product Description:

Babesia duncani (*B. duncani*), strain WA1, clone BdWA1-301 was derived through three consecutive limiting dilution cloning events of strain WA1 performed *in vitro*. Strain WA1 was isolated in 1991 from human blood from the first reported case of babesiosis acquired in Washington State. NR-59103 was produced by cultivation of the deposited material in human Type O+ erythrocytes with DMEM/F12-based *Babesia* growth medium adjusted to contain 20% (v/v) heat-inactivated fetal bovine serum (HIFBS), 4 mM L-glutamine, 100 µM hypoxanthine, 16 µM thymidine, 100 IU/mL penicillin, 100 µg/mL streptomycin, 0.25 µg/mL amphotericin B and 25 µg/mL gentamicin. After one passage, the culture was propagated in human Type O+ erythrocytes at 37°C in sealed flasks outgassed with a blood-gas atmosphere (93% N₂, 5% CO₂, 2% O₂) and monitored for parasitemia for 10 days to produce this lot. Quality control testing was completed under propagation conditions unless otherwise noted.

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TEST	SPECIFICATIONS	RESULTS
Cell Morphology¹ 7 days of infection by examination of Giemsa-stained blood smears	Report results	Infection of red blood cells visible (Figure 1)
Genotypic Analysis² Sequencing of internal transcribed spacer (ITS) 1, 5.8S rRNA gene, ITS 2 (~ 690 base pairs)	≥ 99% sequence identity to <i>B. duncani</i> , strain WA1 (GenBank: JALLKP00000000)	99.7% sequence identity to <i>B. duncani</i> , strain WA1 (GenBank: JALLKP010000137.1)
Level of Parasitemia (pre-freeze)² 10 days of infection by microscopic counts of Giemsa-stained blood smears	Report results	8.6%
Viability^{1,3}	Growth	Growth
Sterility (21-day incubation)¹ Harpo's HTYE broth, 37°C and 26°C, aerobic ⁴ Trypticase soy broth, 37°C and 26°C, aerobic Sabouraud broth, 37°C and 26°C, aerobic DMEM with 10% FBS, 37°C, aerobic Sheep blood agar, 37°C, aerobic Sheep blood agar, 37°C, anaerobic Thioglycollate broth, 37°C, anaerobic	No growth No growth No growth No growth No growth No growth No growth	No growth No growth No growth No growth No growth No growth No growth
Mycoplasma Contamination¹ DNA Detection by PCR	None detected	None detected

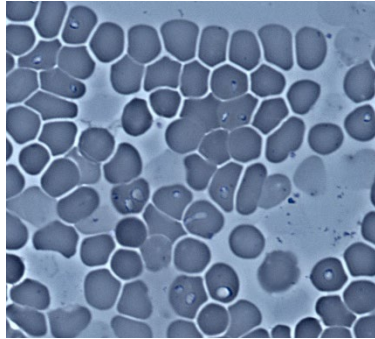
¹Testing completed on vial, post-freeze material.

²Testing completed on bulk material prior to vialing and freezing.

³Viability of the material following cryopreservation was determined by cultivation in human Type O+ erythrocytes with DMEM/F12-based *Babesia* growth medium adjusted to contain 20% (v/v) heat-inactivated fetal bovine serum (HIFBS), 4 mM L-glutamine, 100 µM hypoxanthine, 16 µM thymidine, 100 IU/mL penicillin, 100 µg/mL streptomycin, 0.25 µg/mL amphotericin B and 25 µg/mL gentamicin at 37°C in an atmosphere of 93% N₂, 5% CO₂, 2% O₂ and examination of parasitemia every day for 1 to 2 days post-infection (12% parasitemia).

⁴Atlas, Ronald M. *Handbook of Microbiological Media*. 3rd ed. Ed. Lawrence C. Parks. Boca Raton: CRC Press, 2004, p. 798.

Figure 1: Cell Morphology



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