

ACTICULT® 3R

Supplied material

<u>Active culture</u>: Petri dish or slant labelled with the name and CECT accession number of the microorganism (1 unit). Keep it in the dark and at a constant temperature, preferably at 4°C. Stored in optimal conditions, the culture should be viable and pure until the date indicated on the box, and on the Certificate of Analysis.

Preservation vials: Micro tubes with screw cap containing 1 ml of protective solution (3 units).

Important

Before starting, browse the CECT on-line catalogue (<u>www.uv.es/cect</u>) to check the recommended media and the incubation parameters (growth temperature, anaerobic conditions...).

Prepare the reserve stocks immediately after reception of the parcel.

Instructions

- 1. A) Bacteria, yeast and sporulated filamentous fungi. Scrape an amount of culture equivalent to the size of a rice grain with a sterile loop. Place the culture inside each preservation vial and mix gently until complete homogenization.
 - B) Non-sporulated filamentous fungi. Cut agar blocks (0.5 cm x 0.5 cm) with the vegetative mycelium and place 4-5 of these blocks inside each preservation vial.
- 2. Maintain the preservation vials for 15-20 minutes at room temperature or at 4°C.
- 3. Store the vials at -20°C or lower temperatures until use. Under the recommended conditions, vials should be viable for at least 6 months as of the preparation date.

Recovery of preservation vials

- 1. Thaw the vial quickly in a bath at 37°C for 30 sec.
- 2. A) Bacteria, yeast and sporulated filamentous fungi: Use several drops of the suspension to inoculate an agar Petri dish or a slant of the recommended medium and transfer the rest to a tube with 5-10 ml of the same medium in liquid form.
 - B) Non-sporulated filamentous fungi: Using a sterile loop, place the fungus in contact with the agar medium.
- 3. Subculture at least once before using the culture as a working strain.