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# *Candida albicans*, Strain P60002

# Catalog No. NR-29448

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#### **Product Description:**

<u>Classification</u>: Mitosporic Saccharomycetales; Candida <u>Species</u>: Candida albicans Strain/Isolate: P94015

- <u>Original Source</u>: *Candida albicans (C. albicans)*, strain P60002 is an isolate from a person with a bloodstream infection collected in Arizona, USA.<sup>1</sup>
- <u>Comment</u>: Strain P60002 is known to have an **a**/**a** *MTL* genotype.<sup>1,2</sup> The complete genome of *C. albicans*, strain P60002 has been sequenced (GenBank: <u>JSXP00000000</u>).

*C. albicans* is a eukaryotic, pathogenic obligate aerobe that is responsible for the majority of forms of candidiasis and is responsible for superficial as well as life-threatening systemic infections. It is commonly isolated from the environment and can be a component of the microbial floras of the human oral cavity, gastrointestinal tract or vagina. Several features of *C. albicans* contribute to its virulence. These include the secretion of hydrolytic enzymes, the ability to adhere to host cells and tissues, phenotypic switching (a phenomena that involves changing several growth and morphological characteristics at the same time) and morphological dimorphism (growth can be yeast-like or mycelial). *C. albicans* is generally diploid and exhibits considerable natural heterozygosity.<sup>3,4,5,6,7</sup>

#### **Material Provided:**

Each vial contains approximately 0.5 mL of yeast culture in 20% glycerol.

#### Packaging/Storage:

NR-29448 was packaged aseptically in cryovials. The product is provided frozen and should be stored at -60°C or colder immediately upon arrival. For long-term storage, the vapor phase of a liquid nitrogen freezer is recommended. Freezethaw cycles should be avoided.

#### **Growth Conditions:**

#### Media:

Sabouraud Dextrose broth or Yeast Mold broth or equivalent Sabouraud Dextrose agar or Yeast Mold agar or equivalent <u>Incubation</u>: Temperature: 25°C to 30°C

Temperature: 25°C to 30°C Atmosphere: Aerobic Propagation:

- 1. Keep vial frozen until ready for use; thaw rapidly in a water bath at 25°C to 30°C. Typically, this takes less than 5 minutes.
- 2. Immediately after thawing, inoculate an agar plate with approximately 50 μL of thawed culture and/or transfer the entire thawed aliquot into a single tube of broth.
- 3. Incubate the plate and/or tube at 25°C to 30°C for 2 to 4 days.

#### Citation:

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#### **Biosafety Level: 1**

Appropriate safety procedures should always be used with this material. Laboratory safety is discussed in the following publication: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and National Institutes of Health. <u>Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories (BMBL)</u>. 6th ed. Washington, DC: U.S. Government Printing Office, 2020.

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