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Abbreviation key

BRC	Biological Resource Centre
BTWC	Biological and Toxin Weapons Convention
CABRI	Common Access to Biological Resources and Information
CBRN	Chemical, Biological and Radio Nuclear
EBRCN	European Biological Resource Centres Network
ECCO	European Culture Collections' Organisation
EMbaRC	European Microbial Resources Consortium
EU	European Union
GBRCN	Global Biological Resource Centre Network
IAP	Inter-academy Panel
ISO	International Standards Organisation
IUMS	International Union of Microbiological Societies
mBRC	microbial domain Biological Resource Centre
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
RG	Risk Group
VBM	Valuable Biological Materials
WFCC	World Federation for Culture Collections
WHO	World Health Organisation

1 Background and Objectives

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2 Content and layout of road show

The road show power point presentation was designed and tested by Nelson Lima (MUM) and Paul de Vos (LMG) and a short version designed by Smith for the EMbaRC web site. The set of slides are organised in a format that can be easily tailored to adapt to a given context and time.

2.1 Presentation overview

- Why culture collections? BRCs?
- Why networks of culture collections are needed?
- Example of a cc network: EMbaRC
- Difficulties of preservation and access
- Why should nations preserve the microbial biodiversity?
- Future developments and plans

2.2 Why culture collections? – BRCs?

This section presented the importance of BRCs both to academic and industrial users particularly demonstrating how BRCs contribute to the developing bioeconomy. Examples of important cultures for the bio economy are presented.

2.3 Why networks of culture collections are needed?

This part of the presentation explains why EMbaRC was needed.

- Previous networking initiatives: some examples
 - National level
 - UK: UKNCC (1947), JP: JSCC (1951), BE: BCCM (1983), FR: CCRB (2001)

- European level

- ECCO (European Culture Collections' Organisation, 1981)
- Projects since the 1980s: MINE, CABRI, EBRCN

Global level

- WFCC (World Federation of Culture Collections, 1970)
- GBRCN (Global Biological Resource Centre Network, 2008)
- From Culture Collections to Biological Resource Centres

OECD role in the recognition of BRCs in 2007: Best Practice Guidelines for Biological Resource Centres

2.4 Example of a CC network: EMbaRC

Here the EMbaRC project activities and expected outputs are described.

2.5 Difficulties of preservation and access

Methodologies of preservation are detailed and the need for optimisation to ensure reproducibility of organism properties is stressed. In this topic the 5:54 min video about "EMbaRC-Preservation techniques" was incorporated and tested as e-learning material (see D.3.21, formerly D.NA2.1.2)

2.6 Why should nations preserve the microbial biodiversity?

A comprehensive overview of reasons why nations need to preserve microbial diversity is presented with a focus on national commitments to:

- The Convention on Biological Diversity
- Bonn Guidelines on Access to genetic resources and fair and equitable sharing of the benefits arising out of their utilization
- Budapest treaty (IDA)
- Cartagena Protocol to the Convention on Biological Diversity
- Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES)
- EC Regulation 3381/94/EEC on the Control of Exports of Dual-Use Goods
- EC Directive on Legal Protection of biotechnological inventions
- EC Directive 90/219/EEC on the Contained use of GEMs
- EC Directive 90/220/EEC on the Deliberate Release of GEMs
- FAO International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
- International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC)
- OECD Initiative on biotechnology for sustainable growth and development
- Sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) agreement of the WTO.

An explanation of the process from collection in the field to storage and distribution for use is provided.

2.7 Future developments and plans

This section summarises the EMbaRC outputs and demonstrates how they can be used in developing common policy and improving accessibility of strains. It also highlights the legacy: Microbial Resources Research Infrastructure (MIRRI) in which the EMbaRC consortium supported efforts of the GBRCN and ECCO to deliver this research infrastructure to ESFRI and successfully establish it on the ESFRI road map.

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4 Conferences and meetings an EMbaRC road show was presented

EMbaRC Road Show												
Congress title	Location	Authors(s)	Project partner									
Sessão EMbaRC do MicroBiotec'11	Braga, PT	Nelson Lima	7									
MIRRI preparatory project meeting	Braga, PT	David Smith	4									
European Culture Collections' Organisation XXXI annual meeting	Braga, PT	Matthew Ryan, CABI;	4									
International Society for Microbial Ecology (ISME) Annual conference	Copenhagen, DK	Paul de Vos, BCCM/LMG; Erko Stackebrandt, DSMZ; David Smith, CABI	9, 3, 4									

Conclusion

Through publications, conference participation and presentations, seminars and workshops the EMbaRC outputs have been delivered successfully to the user community. The publications are a legacy and provide tools for preservation and management of microbial resources. The networking activities will be carried forward in the Microbial Resources Research Infrastructure (MIRRI) which moves into its European Commission funded preparatory phase from 1st November 2012. See EMbaRC website <u>www.embarc.eu</u> to view the on line version a see outline copy prepared for adaption annexed to this document.

Significance of this deliverable

The EMbaRC partners planned to organise a workshop for endangered collections in Italy. This workshop was cancelled because of lack of interest. By the way of publications and different presentations of EMbaRC in several congresses, the EMbaRC partners had disseminated successfully about the project.

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Meeting Place date authors

Nelson Lima MUM – University of Minho







Overview

- Why culture collections? BRCs?
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Why Biological Resource Centers (BRCs)?

Academic importance

Reference organisms

Bacterial taxonomy:

Classification

(I) Ordening the organisms (bacteria) in taxonomic groups

•Nomenclature

(II) Naming the groups in (I)- binomial

Identification

Process that determines to which group classified in (I) and named in (II) belongs







Why Biological Resource Centers (BRCs)?

• Practical importance

- Identification: natural variation (medical, quarantine)
- Quality control (authenticity, viability)
- Bio economy:
 - Industrial application (e.g. enzym production)
 - Agricultural application (e.g. seed protection)
 - Patent description
 - Biological war fare







Examples of important cultures for bio economy (1)

Bacteria of BCCM/LMG collection

- Starter cultures for dairy and meat products (LAB and Staphylococcus)
- Controle organism for detetection of toxinogenic components (*Vibrio*)
- Inactivated spores for testkit (Bacillus)
- Interlaboratory ring tests (plantpathogens)
- Fermentation of Cassava (LAB)
- Production of antigens
- Animal vaccin production







Examples of important cultures for bio economy (2)

GINCO the world largest collection of AMF *in vitro* (BCCM /MUCL)

- Obligate root symbionts
- Live in association with 80% of land plants
- Improve plant nutrition (yield)
- Increase plant resistance to abiotic and biotic stresses



Key role in biodiversity, productivity and functioning of ecosystem







Examples of important cultures for bio economy (2) Fungi of BCCM/MUCL collection

AMF collection : strictly *in vivo* – on trap plants in greenhouse

- Time and space consuming
- Risk of contaminations



In 2001: creation of the *Glomeromycota* in vitro Collection

- 40 strains in vitro
- 400 strains in vivo
- Used in nature







Examples of important cultures for bio economy (2)

Agricultural applications

AMF (several strains of MUCL) are nowadays used for field application in the agronomic sector by several companies

- on potato in the Walloon region (in cooperation with farmers associations)
- on banana and Ananas in Cameroon to improve yield and health
- two other crops are under discussion
 - orchards in the Flanders
 - tomato in dry regions of Europe





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Microbial diversity is very complex and demands specialised expertise







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EMbaRC: what for?

- New tools in biological
 New means of funding sciences « omics »
- Bio economy: economic sectors & society
- Need of improved acess to well preserved and characterized microorganisms

- for BRCs
- **Partnerships with** private sector
 - Harmonisation and collaboration for competitive and costefficient BRCs







EMbaRC at a glance

- EU-funded Infrastructure "I3" project
- +3 years: 2009-2012
- 8 BRCs for micro-organisms: bacteria, yeasts, filamentous fungi and plasmids
- 7 countries
- +70 people involved
- Budget: €5.5m EU Grant: €4.2m
- 200,000 strains: 50% of EU public holdings
- Coordinator: Sylvie Lortal, INRA







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INRA (CIRM), FR Institut Pasteur (CIP), FR **DSMZ, DE** CABI, GB **UVEG (CECT), SP** BCCM (LMG, LMBP, MUCL), BE UMinho (MUM), PT KNAW (CBS), NL 200,000 strains (50% of the strains held in EU National CCs)

> bacteria, yeasts, filamentous fungi and plasmids



DSMZ.

Institut Pasteur Centre de Ressources Biologiques de l'Institut Pasteur

CEC





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Laboratories - Institutions - Private companies - Other collections

Networking activities

- Harmonizing methods
 Joint Quality Manual
- Contribution to standards
 Draft standard
- Biosecurity
- Self-sustainability of BRCs > MIRRI (ESFRI Roadmap)
- Dissemination events

- Code of Conduct
- Workshops & Roadshow

Joint Research activities

- Preservation
- DNA bank
- Species identification
- > Improved methods
- EU DNA bank network
- > New markers, databases







YeastIP database http://genome.jouy.inra.fr/yeastip

- A comprehensive gene database for molecular taxonomy and phylogeny of yeasts
- 4119 sequences
- 60 clades
- 82 genera
- 906 species
- 10 markers



06/24/2011: Within the frame of the FP7 Infrastructure project EMbaRC, the CIRM-Levures has constructed a comprehensive gene database with tools to help identify ascomycetous yeasts to the species level and to reconstruct phylogenies. This database benefits from the support of CBS for the updates. The YeastiP database contains all the species from the Saccharomycotina subphylum with deposited sequences in NCBI on 06/24/2011.

Last release: 09/29/2011

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Weiss S., Samson F., Navarro D., Casaregola 5. (2011). YeastlP: a database for identification and phylogeny ascomycetous yeasts. http://genome.jouy.inra.fr/yeastip/

Statistics

The database contains 4119 sequences, representing 60 clades, 82 genera and 906 species for the following markers:

Marker	Number of sequences
185 complete	659
265 complete	\$47
265 01/02	1087
ACTI	226
1751-5.85-1752	525
mitCOX III	205
mt5m	340
RP61	254
RF82	163
TEF1-alpha	374







Advanced Courses

Training offered to users

ascomycetous yeasts	Methods: Classical & MB		logy	Methods: Cellular & MB	ogy	Classical & Innovative Methods	ogy of tuberculosis	Methods: Mol. Typing	logy	Diagnosis Techniques	r flexible)	Meth.: MALDI, MB, FA	Basic techniques	imental fungi	Methods: Morphology	nce of microorganisms	Basic techniques	nicrobial strains	Basic techniques	le fungi	Methods: Morphology	odiversity	Methods: Morphology	ogy	Methods: Morphology	ie fungi	Methods: Morphology	ar mvcorrhizal fungi	Methods: Morphology	7
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12 courses of 14 related with Microbial ID

3 courses of 14 related with Preservation and Management

10 courses of 14 related with FUNGI

- 6 courses of 14 related with BACTERIA
- 1 course of 14 related with VIRUS

Transnational Access

Experimental study visits offered to users

- Biological resources
- Joint expertise
- Services
- Data

Training Species identification High throughput screening Strain typing, characterization







12 EMbaRC laboratories



Culture Collection Management

- Management of microbial strains in *ex situ* collections (CRBIP), France
- Preservation and storage of micro-organisms (CABI Bioservices), United Kingdom
- Preservation, collection management, database, identification (CBS), The Netherlands
- Theoretical, practical and regulatory aspects of a plasmid collection management (BCCM/LMBP), Belgium
- Operation of a bacterial collection & preservation of samples through freeze-drying (BCCM/LMG1), Belgium
- Fungal identification, preservation techniques and collection management (MUM), Portugal







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General and Applied Microbiology - Taxonomy

- State of the art techniques in Bacteriology (DSMZ), Germany
- Taxonomy, identification and preservation of prokaryotes, filamentous fungi and yeasts (CECT), Spain
- Taxonomy of pathogenic bacteria relevant in food safety (CIRM-BP22), France
- Taxonomy, identification and typing of prokaryotes (BCCM/LMG2), Belgium
- Strain identification on pathogenic bacteria (CIRM-BP1), France
- High Throughput Screening of food bacteria (CIRM-BIA), France
- High Throughput Screening of filamentous fungi (CIRM-CF), France
- Initiation to handling of microorganisms of group 3 (CIRM-BP21), France
- In vitro Culture of Arbuscular Mycorrhizal Fungi (BCCM/MUCL), Belgium













- James





 Fungal identification, preservation techniques and collection management

- Harry





- Sector

- High Throughput Screening of food bacteria
- Strain identification on pathogenic bacteria

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Management of microbial strains in ex situ collections Strain identification

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Preservation and storage of micro-organisms





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State of the art techniques in Bacteriology



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Project

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moaRC brings together key microbial resource centres in Europe to improve, coordinate and validate microbial resource Information Resource delivery to European and International researchers from both public and private sectors.

> The conservation and utilisation of microorganisms aim to help deliver a knowledge-based bioeconomy





Database access

Access Grants

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Improve and disseminate preservation techniques:

CAPACITIES

Subculture



Drying



Deep-Freeze -80 °C



Freeze-drying











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Freeze-drying protocol

- Culture strain to late exponential/early stationairy phase
- When enough biomass, collect cells from petri dish with cotton swab
- Create mother suspension: 10 mg biomass/ml lyoprotectant
- Aliquote mother suspension in ampoules (200µl/ampoule, minimum 24 ampoules per test condition)
- Count amount of cfu/ml of mother suspension
- Freeze drying batches
- End controls
 - Spark coil leak test
 - Determination of residual moister conten (only at BCCM/LMG)





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Freeze-drying protocol

- <u>Storage</u>
 - Accelerated (14 days at 37°C) ≈ 20 years storage at 4°C
 - Protected from light and high temperature (dark, at 1<T<10°C)
- Count viable cells after storage
 - 1 week protected storage
 - 6 months protected storage
 - 12 months protected storage
 - Accelerated storage







Selected Strains

Strain	Number	Medium	T (°C)	Atmosphere	Phys. group
Aeromonas salmonicida	CECT 894 [⊤]	Nutrient Broth/Agarl (M1)	24	Aerobic	Freshwater bacteria
Vibrio agarivorans	CECT 5085 ^T	Marine Broth/Agar (M30)	26	Aerobic	Marine bacteria
Aliivibrio fisheri	LMG 4414 [⊤]	Marine Broth (M12)	20	Aerobic	Marine bacteria
Flavobacterium columnare	LMG 10406 ^T	Modified Shieh agar (M215)	25	Aerobic	Fish pathogen
Campylobacter fetus	CIP 53.96 [⊤]	Trypticase soja agar	37	Micro- aerophilic	Opp.human pathogen
Xanthomonas fragariae	DSM 3587 [⊤]	R2A Medium (M830)	28	Aerobic	Plant pathogen







Freeze drying process



Test conditions: example

Test	Incubati	on time	Growth I	medium	Cold shock	Lyoprotectans		
condition	LMG 4414	LMG 10406	LMG 4414	LMG 10406				
batch1	3 days	4 days	M12	M215	no	Skimmed milk		
batch2	3 days	4 days	M12 + trehalose (10%)	M215 + trehalose (10%)	no	Skimmed milk		
batch3	3 days	4 days	M12	M215	2h at 7°C, before filling	Skimmed milk		
batch4	2 days	3 days	M12	M215	no	Skimmed milk		
batch5	4 days	5 days	M12	M215	no	Skimmed milk		
batch6	3days	4 days	M12	M215	no	Skimmed milk + trehalose (10%)		
batch7	3 days	4 days	M12	M215	no	Skimmed milk + growth medium (1:1)		
batch8	3days	4 days	M12	M215	no	Horse serum + trehalose (10%)		





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Survival factor (%) =
$$\left[\frac{\text{LOG10(cfu/ml) after freeze - drying}}{\text{LOG10(cfu/ml) before freeze - drying}}\right] x100$$

Death factor (%) = 100 - Survival factor

Death rate = LOG10(cfu/ml 1st week) - LOG10(cfu/ml accel. stor.)

Survival factor within 1 week storage after freezedrying indicates how well the organism survives the freeze- drying process (= process survival)

Death rate indicates how well the organism survives during storage after freeze-drying (= shelf life)





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Conclusions:

- Preservation is taxon related
- Preservation depends on the cryprotectans used
- Preservation depends on the matrix used







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Biodiversity, biosecurity and access (2)

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- International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC)
- OECD Initiative on biotechnology for sustainable growth and development
- Sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) agreement of the WTO.





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Order of events (research project)

1. Positive grant evaluation

2. Preparation for a sampling trip and Prior Informed Consent (PIC)











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- 3. Return with x isolates (hundreds to thousands) or environmental samples
- 4. Characterization attempts (morphology, molecular)
- 5. Concentration on a few isolates
- 6. Publication(s) with rare deposition of references in CCs
- 7. Eventually lifelong occupation (but in most cases not)

And what happens to the rest of the isolates? irrecoverable, high value added, high economic potential







How dramatic is the situation?

- Less than 1% of microbial biodiversity is known
- Mostly only a fraction of the overall studied isolates is available via public collections for further research.
- Less than 50% of the bacteria of which a whole genome has been reported is deposited in a public culture collection.
- Quality control (authenticity and viability) is poor for nonculture collection strains
- The cultures that are available are not easily accessed data of public culture collections not integrated (example of the way forward is StrainInfo)







StrainInfo.net : about 60 public collections are integrated (bacteria, yeasts, fungi, micro algae)





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• StrainInfo

- Searches are possible on taxon basis, on strain basis
- Taxonomy is updated (via links)
- Phylogeny (sequences) linked through EMBL
- History of strains is visualised (exchange between culture collections, or multiple deposits)
- Equivalent strainnumbers are visualised
- Direct links to the respective catalogue of culture collections
- Links to EPPO for quarantine bacteria

• Further development is needed (MIRRI)







StrainInfo.net : strain passport, taxon pasport, sequence passport- histry tool = history of exchange

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Strain Passport

LMG 1794 Pseudomonas fluorescens

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overview	
species name type strain of strain numbers	Pseudomonas fluorescens 193 7, 28/5 7, 818 T, ACM 441 ^{GL} T, AS 1.1802 T, ATCC 13525 ^{GL} T, BCRC 11028 ^{GL} T, Brno 2115 T, CCB 546 T, CCEB 456 T, CCEB 546 T, CCEB 762 T, CCM 2115 ^{GL} T, CCM 2102 ^{GL} T, CCM 21028 ^{GL} T, CCC 1028 ^{GL} T, CCC 1028 ^{GL} T, CCC 101028 ^{GL} T, CCC 101001 T, FL011028 ^{GL} T, INCE 100103 T, Hugh 818 T, Hugh R, RH818 T, Hugh R, RH818 T, IAM 12022 ^{GL} T, ICMP 3512 ^{GL} T, ICMP





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JN397566	Pseudomonas fluorescens strain LMG1794 RNA polymerase subunit D (rpoD) gene, partial cds	LMG 1794 T	2011/09/22	585
JN397520	Pseudomonas fluorescens strain LMG1794 pyrroloquinoline quinone synthase (pqqC) gene, partial cds	LMG 1794 T	2011/09/06	505
JF810206	Pseudomonas fluorescens strain DSM 50090 rod shape-determining protein (mreB) gene, complete cds	DSM 50090 T	2011/08/02	1038
AB560245	Pseudomonas fluorescens gene for 30S ribosomal protein S11, complete cds, strain: NBRC 14160	NBRC 14160 T	2010/11/04	390
AB560244	Pseudomonas fluorescens gene for 30S ribosomal protein S13, complete cds, strain: NBRC 14160	NBRC 14160 T	2010/11/04	357
AB560243	Pseudomonas fluorescens gene for 50S ribosomal protein L36, complete cds, strain: NBRC 14160	NBRC 14160 T	2010/11/04	117
AB560242	Pseudomonas fluorescens gene for 50S ribosomal protein L30, complete cds, strain: NBRC 14160	NBRC 14160 T	2010/11/04	177
AB560241	Pseudomonas fluorescens gene for 50S ribosomal protein L18, complete cds, strain: NBRC 14160	NBRC 14160 T	2010/11/04	351
AB560240	Pseudomonas fluorescens gene for 30S ribosomal protein S8, complete cds, strain: NBRC 14160	NBRC 14160 T	2010/11/04	393
AB560239	Pseudomonas fluorescens gene for 30S ribosomal protein S14, complete cds, strain: NBRC 14160	NBRC 14160 T	2010/11/04	306
AB560238	Pseudomonas fluorescens gene for 50S ribosomal protein L24, complete cds, strain: NBRC 14160	NBRC 14160 T	2010/11/04	315
AB560237	Pseudomonas fluorescens gene for 50S ribosomal protein L14, complete cds, strain: NBRC 14160	NBRC 14160 T	2010/11/04	369
AB560236	Pseudomonas fluorescens gene for 30S ribosomal protein S17, complete cds, strain: NBRC 14160	NBRC 14160 T	2010/11/04	267
AB560235	Pseudomonas fluorescens gene for 50S ribosomal protein L29, complete cds, strain: NBRC 14160	NBRC 14160 T	2010/11/04	192
AB560234	Pseudomonas fluorescens gene for 50S ribosomal protein L22, complete cds, strain: NBRC 14160	NBRC 14160 T	2010/11/04	333
AB560233	Pseudomonas fluorescens gene for 30S ribosomal protein S19, complete cds, strain: NBRC 14160	NBRC 14160 T	2010/11/04	276
AB560232	Pseudomonas fluorescens gene for 50S ribosomal protein L23, complete cds, strain: NBRC 14160	NBRC 14160 T	2010/11/04	300
AB560231	Pseudomonas fluorescens gene for 30S ribosomal protein S10, complete cds, strain: NBRC 14160	NBRC 14160 T	2010/11/04	312

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StrainInfo.net : simple access tool-> culture collection catalogue

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Species comment:	Authentic Pseudomonas species.				(species unknown)	
Other collections' numbers:	ATCC 13525;CCEB 546;CCEB 762;CCM 2115;CCUG 1253;CCUG 2030;CECT 378;CIP 69.13;CNCTC Ps 154/77;DEM 50090;FIRDI 1028;HNCMB 173001;Hugh 818;IAM 1 3512;ICPB 3200;IFO 14160;INET 10619;KM 361;Kosako 85003;Lautrop PJ 239;MMCA 40;NCDO 1524;NCIB 9046;NCPPB 1964;NCTC 10038;PDDCC 3512;Rhodes 28/5;F 1615001;Stanier 192;USCC 1330;USCC 2031;VKM 894;Young 1580A1					
Restrictions:	Biohazard group 1			1		
Status:	Type strain					
Biological origin:	pre-filter water-works tanks					
Geographic origin:	United Kingdom					
Isolated by:	M.Rhodes					
Depositor	C-Chrisbansen MMCA					
History:	<- 1971, C.Christiansen MMCA M.Rhodes (1951)					
Conditions for growth on solid media:	Medium 2, 28°C					
Properties:	Quality control of media					
Remarks:	Biotype A. Biovar I. Culture contains two stable colore	y types giving identical gelelectrophonetic pro	otein profiles (SDS-PAGE). Test, Control	and Bioassay strain		







Summary: evaluation by EMbaRC (1)

Collections are willing to accept more strains:

- The public European Collections investigated cover prokaryotic biodiversity from phyla to species level and individual collections offer in-depth diversity at the strain level (unparalleled in the world).
- They are experts in maintenance and taxonomy.

Authors feel no obligation to deposit non-type strains:

• A survey of 835 articles of 8 European journals included 20.200 non-type strains.

Of these 0.9% were deposited in public collections.

 In a anonymous request to obtain strains from 100 randomly selected authors of the journals screened above, only 19% indicated their willingness to provide strains.







Summary: evaluation by EMbaRC (2)

Journals have a dissemination policy (see Instructions to Authors):

- 400 authors were asked whether they are aware of journal's policy to make strain public:
 - -70% of those who responded agreed.
 - -15% were actually asked to deposit strains (0.6% of strains covered).







- Why culture collections? BRCs?
- Why networks of culture collections are needed?
- Example of a cc network: EMbaRC
- Difficulties of preservation and access
- Why should nations preserve the microbial biodiversity?
- Future developments and plans







Partners in a future strategy:

- Funding bodies of researchers and authors support for maintenance, taxonomy and shipping
- Funding bodies of collections support for maintenance, expansion and expertise

• Authors

deposition of selected strains included in publications

Researchers

deposition of selected authentified isolates

• Collections

national, international

Journal editors

harmonized journal policy, and surveillance of deposit







Network of activities:









Future plans

1. AMBER: EU proposal submitted = continuation of EMbaRC inclusive viruses

2. MIRRI: EU proposal submitted (ESFRI)
= Research infrastructure (3 phases):
- preparatory phase (2012-2015)
- construction phase (2015-2017)
- operational phase 2017- open ended)







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