



REFERENCE MATERIAL CERTIFICATE

This certificate supersedes all previous issues.



A2LA Accredited
Reference Material Producer
Certificate Number 3189.03

Product Name	FM0031 Gram +ve Daily Control	
Batch Number	RM6078	
Hazard Information	This material contains micro-organisms. Please take suitable precautions at all times when handling this reference material. Please download Safety Data Sheet via below link: SDS Microbiological Reference Material	
Description of the Material	Powdered Food Material	
Presentation	Each set is heat sealed in a plastic bag	
	Number of Units provided:	Five (5)
	Each unit consists of:	10-12 g
	Units are contained in:	Heat-sealed packet/sachet
Target Organism Content	Organism Name (IFM Number) <i>Bacillus cereus (1600)</i> <i>Lactiseibacillus rhamnosus (1504)</i> <i>Staphylococcus aureus (3004)</i>	

<i>Intended Use</i>	Microbiological Reference Material
<i>Instructions for Use</i>	<p>Store unopened material at 2°C - 6°C protected from light until used. Use aseptic technique at all times.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Accurately weigh a minimum of 10 g of powder.2. Prepare a working solution using Peptone Water or Butterfields Solution.3. While the most common dilution is 1:10, any ratio can be used to yield desired counts.4. The presented powder is ready-to-test. <p>Mix thoroughly before testing to resuspend settled product. Materials must only be used on the day of preparation. Once prepared, materials must be stored at 2 °C - 6°C protected from light.</p> <p>Values quoted in this certificate do not apply when the reference material is used in a manner contrary to the instructions. Values quoted have been statistically verified using the instructions described above. The specified volume in the instructions is the minimum sample size required to yield the defined quantitative parameters.</p>
<i>Date of Certification</i>	May 27, 2026
<i>Certificate Expiry</i>	August 27, 2026 This material will be recertified after this expiry date.
<i>Product Expiry</i>	December 6, 2026

Certified values and their uncertainties

Data was log transformed prior to applying statistical processes. The assigned value is the average of results on the declared day of test. The expanded uncertainty of the assigned value is based on the combined standard uncertainty in accordance with ISO 17034 (where k = 2 is the coverage factor for 95% confidence). The lower limit takes into account the expected decline of the microbe levels over the certification interval. These have been calculated using all factors as described in ISO 17034.

Tests were conducted on:

May 19, 2026

5 replicate data points were used to generate this certificate

Results are expressed as cfu/g of material that is "ready-to-test".

Test Name (Method Reference)	Assigned Value	Expanded Uncertainty (log ₁₀ value)	Standard Deviation (log ₁₀ value)	Calculated Limits for Daily Control Purposes	
				High limit	Low limit
Bacillus cereus Count (IFM0719.2)	2.1E+04	0.47	0.03	6.0E+04	5.5E+03
Coagulase +ve Staph spp. Count (IFM0716.2)	9.5E+03	0.25	0.09	1.6E+04	1.8E+03
Lactic Acid Bacteria Count (IFM0710.3)	8.7E+03	0.27	0.04	1.6E+04	1.4E+03
Standard Plate Count (IFM0701.3)	2.5E+04	0.21	0.07	4.0E+04	7.9E+03

Additional Test Comments/Information

*Test Names marked with an * are not within the scope of accreditation*

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