



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

Number of Units provided:	Each set is heat sealed in a plastic bag
Each unit consists of:	Five (5)
Units are contained in:	10-12 g
	Heat-sealed packet/sachet

Target Organism Content

Organism Name (IFM Number)
Bacillus cereus (1600)
Lactiseibacillus rhamnosus (1504)
Staphylococcus aureus (3004)

<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> <p>Mix the sample to resuspend settled particles. It is ready-to-test as received.</p> <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>	March 2, 2026
<i>Certificate Expiry</i>	June 3, 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:

February 23, 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)	1.6E+04	0.15	0.09	2.2E+04	1.5E+04
Coagulase +ve Staph spp. Count (IFM0716.2)	1.5E+04	0.27	0.14	2.6E+04	2.8E+03
Lactic Acid Bacteria Count (IFM0710.3)	5.5E+03	0.16	0.04	7.9E+03	2.1E+03
Standard Plate Count (IFM0701.3)	2.7E+04	0.16	0.07	3.7E+04	1.4E+04

Additional Test Comments/Information

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

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