

Resource Summary Report

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N2

RRID:WB-STRAIN:WBStrain00000001

Type: Organism

Proper Citation

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Organism Information

URL: <http://www.wormbase.org/db/get?name=WBStrain00000001>

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Description: *Caenorhabditis elegans* with name *Caenorhabditis elegans* wild isolate. from WB.

Species: *Caenorhabditis elegans*

Synonyms: *Caenorhabditis elegans* wild isolate.

Notes: *C. elegans* var Bristol. Generation time is about 3 days. Brood size is about 350. Also CGC reference 257. Isolated from mushroom compost near Bristol, England by L.N. Staniland. Cultured by W.L. Nicholas, identified to genus by Gunther Osche and species by Victor Nigon; subsequently cultured by C.E. Dougherty. Given to Sydney Brenner ca. 1966. Subcultured by Don Riddle in 1973. *Caenorhabditis elegans* wild isolate. DR subclone of CB original (Tc1 pattern I). *C. elegans* var Bristol. Generation time is about 3 days. Brood size is about 350. Also CGC reference 257. Isolated from mushroom compost near Bristol, England by L.N. Staniland. Cultured by W.L. Nicholas, identified to genus by Gunther Osche and species by Victor Nigon; subsequently cultured by C.E. Dougherty. Given to Sydney Brenner ca. 1966. Subcultured by Don Riddle in 1973. *Caenorhabditis elegans* wild isolate. DR subclone of CB original (Tc1 pattern I). [NOTE: This stock might carry a ~1.8 kb deletion in *alh-2* in the background. (UPDATE: 03/26/2018 - a user reported the stock they received was homozygous for the *alh-2*(ot588) mutation.)] *C. elegans* var Bristol. Generation time is about 3 days. Brood size is about 350. Also CGC reference 257. Isolated from mushroom compost near Bristol, England by L.N. Staniland. Cultured by W.L. Nicholas, identified to genus by Gunther Osche and species by Victor Nigon; subsequently cultured by C.E. Dougherty. Given to Sydney Brenner ca. 1966. Subcultured by Don Riddle in 1973. *Caenorhabditis elegans* wild isolate. DR subclone of CB original (Tc1 pattern I). [NOTE: This stock might carry a ~1.8 kb deletion in *alh-2* in the background.] *Reference WBPaper00055815 added based on published strain data identified by Textpresso literature search.* *Reference WBPaper00056552 added based*

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Catalog Number: WB-STRAIN:WBStrain00000001

Database: WormBase (WB)

Database Abbreviation: WB

Availability: available

Source References: [PMID:4366476](#), [PMID:9741632](#), [PMID:12186849](#), [PMID:16256736](#), [PMID:17472752](#), [PMID:18409080](#), [PMID:18993077](#), [PMID:20599902](#), [PMID:20595232](#), [PMID:21304598](#), [PMID:21368137](#), [PMID:21415309](#), [PMID:21642964](#), [PMID:21892924](#), [PMID:21893079](#), [PMID:22148238](#), [PMID:22301316](#), [PMID:22446320](#), [PMID:22718972](#), [PMID:22862955](#), [PMID:24278030](#), [PMID:25554789](#), [PMID:25849533](#), [PMID:26112394](#), [PMID:26241504](#), [PMID:26976437](#), [PMID:32550339](#), [PMID:27881675](#), [PMID:30489010](#), [PMID:32550469](#), [PMID:30955935](#), [PMID:32550478](#), [PMID:31053883](#), [PMID:31162948](#), [PMID:31182018](#), [PMID:31220273](#), [PMID:31223636](#), [PMID:31326018](#), [PMID:31409866](#), [PMID:32550434](#), [PMID:31450086](#), [PMID:31432005](#), [PMID:31485018](#), [PMID:31440537](#), [PMID:31510078](#), [PMID:31331055](#), [PMID:30963762](#), [PMID:31577950](#), [PMID:31624276](#), [PMID:31645584](#), [PMID:31700560](#), [PMID:31704915](#), [PMID:31717869](#), [PMID:31998863](#), [PMID:31917826](#), [PMID:33543001](#), [PMID:31960906](#), [PMID:32010481](#), [PMID:32550506](#), [PMID:32550518](#), [PMID:32550517](#), [PMID:32728664](#), [PMID:33005884](#), [PMID:33005881](#), [PMID:33313486](#), [PMID:33274318](#), [PMID:33274320](#), [PMID:34423280](#), [PMID:34377962](#), [PMID:34532702](#), [PMID:34585102](#), [PMID:34693216](#), [PMID:34723151](#), [PMID:35622518](#), [PMID:36060031](#), [PMID:37008729](#), [PMID:37069949](#), [PMID:37065769](#), [PMID:37325193](#), [PMID:37746065](#), [PMID:38371322](#), [PMID:38545437](#), [PMID:38571512](#), [PMID:38660564](#), [PMID:38764945](#), [PMID:39185016](#), [PMID:39650082](#), [PMID:39882098](#), [PMID:39916877](#), [PMID:40027526](#), [PMID:40114851](#), [PMID:40161437](#), [PMID:40191444](#), [PMID:40438139](#), [PMID:40485984](#), [PMID:40547382](#), [PMID:40535527](#)

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Ratings and Alerts

No rating or validation information has been found for N2.

No alerts have been found for N2.

Data and Source Information

Source: [Integrated Animals](#)

Source Database: WormBase (WB)

Usage and Citation Metrics

We found 1302 mentions in open access literature.

Listed below are recent publications. The full list is available at [Kravitz](#) .

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