

July 14, 2020

Re: Biosafety Declaration for:

Bacillus cereus
Serratia marcescens
Enterobacter aerogenes

To Whom It May Concern:

The above-listed cultures sold by Carolina Biological Supply Company are classified as Biosafety Level 1. According to the U.S. Public Health Service's definition of Biosafety Level 1, these microorganisms are non-pathogenic, making them generally safe for student use. They would not be expected to cause harm to healthy people or to the environment.

Even though considered safe and non-pathogenic, any microorganism should always be treated as if it were a potential pathogen, and laboratory work should be done only in accordance with prudent laboratory safety precautions, standard microbiological practice and aseptic technique, and under the supervision of a person familiar with such precautions and practices. Gloves should be worn, work surfaces should be disinfected before and after use, and hands should be washed thoroughly after glove removal. When finished, all materials should be properly disinfected and disposed of safely.

In summary, though this culture is not pathogenic, good laboratory practices should be followed whenever handling microorganisms.

Sincerely,
CAROLINA BIOLOGICAL SUPPLY COMPANY

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