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To whom it may concern:

The package contains living cultures of the research bacteria, *Escherichia coli*. This bacterium is used in many laboratories as a research tool for biochemistry, cell biology and genetics. These particular strains have been maintained in continuous axenic laboratory culture. The cultures are on sterile agar that contains tryptone, yeast extract and sodium chloride. The laboratory strain is non-hazardous, non-pathogenic, used for in vitro research and has no commercial value. The vials each contain approximately 0.5 ml of agar. Value of the agar, culture tube, etc. is less than \$2 U.S. per culture.

The Chlamydomonas Resource Center has been sponsored by grants from the National Science Foundation since 1979. We maintain a collection of approximately 3000 strains of Chlamydomonas algae and *E. coli* and provide cultures of these to the worldwide research community. Our web site, from which you can obtain further information, is at <http://chlamycollection.org/>.

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