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Dear Sirs:

I have been looking for streptomycin-resistant mutants of Escherichia coli K12, which have altered ribosomal components. I got the streptomycin-resistant strain W3637 from Dr. Hino of Hiroshima University, who had got it from Dr. Y. Hirota. And this strain seems to have some alteration compared to non-resistant K12 strain on carboxy-methyl-cellulose column chromatography of ribosomal proteins.

I want to know how, from what strain and by whom this W3637 strain was derived. I would be very glad if you give me informations about these things or about reference paper published, and send me the original strain of W3637, which has not streptomycin-resistant mutation.

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Sincerely yours,