

**Appendix Table 2.** *Cryptococcus neoformans* environmental isolates studied by country, institution characteristics, variety (serotype) and molecular type as identified by PCR-fingerprinting with the primer M13 and *URA5* RFLP analysis<sup>a</sup>

LA Code	Original code	Year	Original city	Sample	Variety (serotype)	Molecular type
Argentina						
Departamento Micología, INEI, ANLIS "Dr C.G. Malbran," Buenos Aires						
LA 438#	Cr34Eb	2000	Buenos Aires	Trees	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 440#	CrA29	2000	Buenos Aires	Trees	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 441#	Cr10	2000	Buenos Aires	Trees	<i>gattii</i>	VGI
LA 442#	CrA32	2000	Buenos Aires	Trees	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
Brazil						
Fundação Oswaldo Cruz, Rio de Janeiro						
LA 44#	414	1995	Piaui State	Pottery tree hollow	<i>gattii</i> (B)	VGII
LA 45#	415	1995	Piaui State	Pink shower tree hollow	<i>gattii</i> (B)	VGII
LA 47#	434	1996	Piaui State	<i>E. camaldulensis</i> debris	<i>gattii</i> (B)	VGII
LA 52#	561	1997	Piaui State	Pink shower tree hollow	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 54	564	1997	Piaui State	Pink shower tree hollow	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 419#	WM1012	2000	Rio de Janeiro	Pink shower tree 4, large hollow	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 420#	WM1013	2000	Rio de Janeiro	Pink shower tree 4, large hollow	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 421#	WM1014	2000	Rio de Janeiro	Pink shower tree 4, large hollow	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 422#	WM1015	2000	Rio de Janeiro	Pink shower tree 4, large hollow	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
Chile						
Universidad de Chile, Santiago de Chile						
LA 276#	04-A	1993	Santiago	Bird droppings	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 277#	06-A	1993	Santiago	Bird droppings	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 281	21-A	1993	Santiago	Bird droppings	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 284#	52-A	1993	Santiago	Bird droppings	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
Colombia						
Instituto Nacional de Salud, Bogota						
LA 235#	H0058-I-737	1998	N. Santander	Almond tree (9)	<i>gattii</i> (C)	VGIII
LA 241	H0058-I-1014	1999	N. Santander	Almond tree (20)	<i>gattii</i> (C)	VGIII
LA 631#	H0058-I-556	1997	N. Santander	Almond tree (9)	<i>gattii</i> (C)	VGIII
LA 645#	H0058-I-607	1997	N. Santander	Almond tree (9)	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 651	H0058-I-613	1997	N. Santander	Almond tree (9)	<i>gattii</i> (C)	VGIII
LA 658#	H0058-I-679	1998	N. Santander	Almond tree (9)	<i>grubii</i> (A)	VNI
LA 659	H0058-I-682	1998	N. Santander	Almond tree (21)	<i>gattii</i> (C)	VGIII
LA 667	H0058-I-755	1998	N. Santander	Almond tree (9)	<i>gattii</i> (C)	VGIII
LA 672	H0058-I-798	1998	N. Santander	Almond tree (9)	<i>gattii</i> (C)	VGIV
LA 674	H0058-I-818	1998	N. Santander	Almond tree (9)	<i>gattii</i> (C)	VGIII
LA 676	H0058-I-820	1998	N. Santander	Almond tree (9)	<i>gattii</i> (C)	VGIII
LA 680	H0058-I-826	1998	N. Santander	Almond tree (9)	<i>gattii</i> (C)	VGIII
LA 684#	H0058-I-908	1998	N. Santander	Almond tree (9)	<i>gattii</i> (C)	VGIII
LA 688	H0058-I-548	1996	N. Santander	House patient 3	<i>grubii</i> (A)	VNI
LA 691#	H0058-I-551	1996	N. Santander	Older oiti tree	<i>grubii</i> (A)	VNI
LA 706#	H0058-I-587	1996	N. Santander	Oiti tree	<i>grubii</i> (A)	VNI
LA 710#	H0058-I-595	1996	N. Santander	Acacia tree (1)	<i>grubii</i> (A)	VNI

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LA 714	H0058-I-599	1997	N. Santander	Acacia tree (6)	<i>gattii</i>	VGIII
LA 720#	H0058-I-735	1998	Bogotá	<i>Eucalyptus</i> tree (13)	<i>grubii</i> (A)	VNI
LA 726#	H0058-I-745	1997	N. Santander	Cuji tree	<i>grubii</i> (A)	VNI
LA 731	H0058-I-752	1997	N. Santander	Seed of almond tree	<i>grubii</i> (A)	VNI
LA 733#	H0058-I-757	1997	N. Santander	Cuji, tree	<i>gattii</i>	VGIII
LA 736	H0058-I-857	1998	Bogotá	<i>Eucalyptus</i> tree	<i>grubii</i> (A)	VNI
Mexico						
Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico, Mexico City						
LA 21#	88	1994	Mexico City	Green parrot droppings	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 22#	89	1994	Mexico City	Budgerigar droppings	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 23#	90	1994	Mexico City	Budgerigar droppings	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 24#	146	1995	Mexico City	Pigeon droppings	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 25#	147	1995	Mexico City	Pigeon droppings	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 26#	148 A	1995	Mexico City	Pigeon droppings	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 27#	148 B	1995	Mexico City	Pigeon droppings	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 28#	149	1995	Mexico City	Pigeon droppings	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 29#	150 A	1995	Mexico City	Pigeon droppings	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 30#	150 B	1995	Mexico City	Pigeon droppings	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 31#	151	1995	Mexico City	Pigeon droppings	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 32#	152	1995	Mexico City	Pigeon droppings	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 33	164	1995	Mexico City	Pigeon droppings	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 34#	165	1995	Mexico City	Pigeon droppings	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 35#	168	1995	Mexico City	Pigeon droppings	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 36#	170	1995	Mexico City	Pigeon droppings	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 37#	230	1998	Edo, Mexico	<i>E. camaldulensis</i> (leaves and flowers)	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 38#	234	1998	Edo, Mexico	<i>E. camaldulensis</i> (leaves and flowers)	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 39#	235	1998	Edo, Mexico	<i>E. camaldulensis</i> (leaves and flowers)	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 40#	237	1998	Edo, Mexico	<i>E. camaldulensis</i> (leaves and flowers)	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 41#	238	1998	Edo, Mexico	<i>E. camaldulensis</i> (leaves and flowers)	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
LA 42	239	1998	Edo, Mexico	<i>E. camaldulensis</i> (leaves and flowers)	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
Instituto Nacional de Diagnostica y Referencia Epidemiologicos, Mexico City						
LA 418#	5635	2000	Distrito Federal	Pigeon excreta	<i>grubii</i>	VNI
Spain						
GREMEC, IMM/UAB, Barcelona						
LA 189 #	152 A	1999	Barcelona	Pigeon droppings	<i>grubii</i> (A)	VNI
LA 190 #	76 A	1999	Barcelona	Pigeon droppings	<i>grubii</i> (A)	VNI
LA 192 #	4 A	1997	Alacant	Pigeon droppings	Hybrid (A)(AD)	VNIII
LA 193 #	6 A	1997	Alacant	Pigeon droppings	<i>grubii</i> (A)	VNI

<sup>a</sup>RFLP, restriction fragment length polymorphism; INEI, Instituto Nacional de Enfermedades Infecciosas; ANLIS, Administracion Nacional de Laboratorios e Institutos de Salud; GREMEC, Grup de Recerca en Micologia Experimental i Clinica; IMM, Institut Municipal d' Investigacio Medica; UAB, Universita Autonoma de Barcelona.

<sup>b</sup>VNIII: seven-band *URA5* RFLP pattern; VNIII\*, six-band *URA5* RFLP pattern; \*, strains included in the GelcomparII analysis