

TM 123 - HIGH SENSITIVITY TEST AGAR

INTENDED USE

For determination of antibiotic susceptibility of fastidious microorganism.

PRODUCT SUMMARY AND EXPLANATION

The goal of an antimicrobial susceptibility test is to predict through an in vitro assessment the likelihood of successfully treating an infection with a particular antimicrobial agent. There are several continual or novel methods for performing antibacterial susceptibility testing. These include the disk diffusion test, broth microdilution, agar gradient and rapid automated instrument methods. Hi-Sensitivity Test Agar, which is used for antimicrobial susceptibility tests, is a semi-defined medium in which the mineral contents have been stabilized to give reproducible results. The thiamine and thymidine content is very low thus making it most suitable for testing antimicrobial activity of sulphonamides. However, some mutant strains which are totally dependent on thiamine and thymidine for their growth, will not grow on Hi-Sensitivity Test Agar, due to very low levels of these compounds in the media as they are the naturally occurring antagonist of trimethoprim. These strains should be carefully recognized. High-Sensitivity Test Agar has been so designed to overcome the problems occurring in Mueller-Hinton Media that are as follows.

- 1. Mueller Hinton Agar and Mueller Hinton Broth give different MIC values.
- 2. Mueller Hinton Agar shows antagonistic effect towards tetracycline.
- 3. High levels of sulphonamide and trimethoprim antagonists.
- 4. Media prepared using peptone of different manufacturers give poor reproducibility.
- 5. Poor growth supporting ability for Streptococci and variable growth rates with gram-positive organisms.

Some pathogenic organisms are nutritionally dependent due to their intrinsic demands for special growth factors.

COMPOSITION

Ingredients	Gms / Ltr		
Casein enzymic hydrolysate	11.000		
Peptic digest of animal tissue	3.000		
Dextrose	2.000		
Sodium chloride	Sodium chloride 3.000		
Starch, soluble	1.000		
Disodium phosphate	2.000		
Sodium acetate	1.000		
Magnesium glycerophosphate	0.200		
Calcium gluconate	0.100		
Cobaltous sulphate	0.001		
Cupric sulphate	0.001		
Ferrous sulphate	0.001		
Zinc sulphate	0.001		
Manganous chloride	0.002		
Menadione	0.001		
Cyanocobalamin	0.001		
L-Cysteine hydrochloride	0.020		
L-Tryptophan	0.020		









Pyridoxine hydrochloride 0.00			
Calcium pantothenate	0.003		
Nicotinamide	0.003		
Biotin	Biotin 0.0003		
Thiamine hydrochloride	0.00004		
Adenine	0.010		
Guanine	0.010		
Xanthine	0.010		
Uracil	Uracil 0.010		
Agar	8.000		

PRINCIPLE

Casein enzymic hydrolysate, peptic digest of animal tissue, dextrose, and vitamins provides nitrogen, carbon compounds and other essential growth nutrients.

INSTRUCTION FOR USE

- Dissolve 31.4 grams in 1000 ml distilled water.
- Heat to boiling to dissolve the medium completely.
- Sterilize by autoclaving at 15 psi pressure (121°C) for 15 minutes.
- Mix well and pour into sterile petri plates.

QUALITY CONTROL SPECIFICATIONS

Appearance of Powder : Cream to yellow homogeneous free flowing powder.

: Basal medium: Light amber coloured, clear to slightly opalescent gel. After Appearance of prepared medium

addition of 5%v/v laked blood : Red to chocolate coloured, opaque gel forms in

Petri plates.

pH (at 25°C) : 7.4±0.2

INTERPRETATION

Cultural characteristics observed with added 5%w/v laked blood after an incubation.

Microorganism	АТСС	lnoculum (CFU/ml)	Growth	Incubation Temperature	Incubation Period
Salmonella Typhimurium	14028	50-100	Good-luxuriant	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
Staphylococcus aureus	25923	50-100	Good-luxuriant	35-37°C	18-24 Hours











Streptococcus pyogenes	19615	50-100	Good-luxuriant	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
Enterococcus faecalis	29212	50-100	Good-luxuriant	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
Bacillus subtilis	6633	50-100	Good-luxuriant	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
Bacteroides vulgatus	8482	50-100	Good-luxuriant	35-37°C	18-24 Hours

PACKAGING:

In pack size of 100 gm and 500 gm bottles.

STORAGE

Dehydrated powder, hygroscopic in nature, store in a dry place, in tightly-sealed containers between 25-30°C and protect from direct sunlight. Under optimal conditions, the medium has a shelf life of 4 years. When the container is opened for the first time, note the time and date on the label space provided on the container. After the desired amount of medium has been taken out replace the cap tightly to protect from hydration.

Product Deterioration: Do not use if they show evidence of microbial contamination, discoloration, drying or any other signs of deterioration.

DISPOSAL

After use, prepared plates, specimen/sample containers and other contaminated materials must be sterilized before discarding.

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Temprature Unit











NOTE: Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling Practices. *For Lab Use Only

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