

TM 154 – EXTRACT AGAR (FDA AGAR)

INTENDED USE

General purpose medium for routine testing of disinfectants and antiseptics.

PRODUCT SUMMARY AND EXPLANATION

FDA Agar is used for general cultivation of bacteria as well as for routine testing of antiseptics and disinfectants. FDA Agar is also known as AATCC bacteriostasis agar where AATCC stands for American Association of Textile Chemists and Colourists. FDA agar is the formulation specified by Food and Drug Administration, U.S.A. and also by Association of Analytical Chemists (AOAC). It is used for detecting antibacterial activity of fabrics. FDA agar is a relatively simple formulation.

COMPOSITION

Ingredients	Gms / Ltr
Peptone	10.000
Beef extract	5.000
Sodium chloride	5.000
Agar	15.000

PRINCIPLE

The medium consists of Beef extract and Peptone which provide the nutrients required for microbial growth. Sodium chloride maintains osmotic equilibrium. Agar act as a solidifying agent.

INSTRUCTION FOR USE

- Dissolve 35.0 grams in 1000 ml purified / distilled water.
- Heat to boiling to dissolve the medium completely.
- Sterilize by autoclaving at 15 psi pressure (121°C) for 15 minutes. Cool to 45-50°C.
- Mix well and pour into sterile Petri plates.

QUALITY CONTROL SPECIFICATIONS

- Appearance of Powder** : Off white to yellow coloured homogeneous free flowing powder.
Appearance of prepared medium : Amber coloured clear to slightly opalescent gel forms in Petri plates.
pH (at 25°C) : 7.3 ± 0.2

INTERPRETATION

Cultural characteristics observed with added 5-10% sterile defibrinated blood after incubation.

Microorganism	ATCC	Inoculum (CFU/ml)	Growth	Recovery	Incubation Temperature	Incubation Period
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<i>Escherichia coli</i>	25922	50-100	Good-luxuriant	>=50%	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
<i>Staphylococcus aureus subsp. aureus</i>	25923	50-100	Good-luxuriant	>=50%	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
<i>Salmonella Typhi</i>	6539	50-100	Good-luxuriant	>=50%	25-30°C	18-24 Hours

PACKAGING:

In pack size of 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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 Temperature Unit	 EC REP Authorized Representative <small>MedNet GmbH Barkstrasse 10, 48163 Muenster, Germany</small>	 European Conformity	 QR Code	 Consults Instructions for Use	 Best Before

NOTE: Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling Practices.

***For Lab Use Only**
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