

# TM 2214 - MRS AGAR W/ pH 5.5

#### **INTENDED USE**

For enrichment, isolation and cultivation of all Lactobacillus species.

## PRODUCT SUMMARY AND EXPLANATION

MRS Agar w/pH 5.5 is based on the formulation of deMan, Rogosa and Sharpe with slight modification. It supports growth of all Lactobacilli from all types of materials for eg Brewery industry.

Lactobacilli can cause spoilage in foods due to improper storage conditions, temperature, improper hygiene, cleaning. Lactobacillus is acidophilic and mostly grows on acidic foods. The pH of foods can be effective against activity of pathogens. Lactobacilli commonly cause spoilage of meats and fermented foods.

Lactobacilli are microaerophillic and generally require layer plates for aerobic cultivation on solid media. When the medium is set, another layer of un-inoculated MRS Agar is poured over the surface to produce a layer plate. Lactobacilli isolated on MRS Agar w/pH 5.5 should be further confirmed biochemically.

## **COMPOSITION**

Ingredients	Gms / Ltr	
Casein peptone	10.000	
Meat extract	10.000	
Yeast extract	4.000	
Dextrose (Glucose)	20.000	
Dipotassium hydrogen phosphate	2.000	
Polysorbate 80 (Tween 80)	1.000	
Diammonium hydrogen citrate	2.000	
Sodium acetate	5.000	
Magnesium sulfate	0.200	
Manganese sulphate	0.040	
Agar	14.000	

## **PRINCIPLE**

Casein peptone and Meat extract supply nitrogenous and carbonaceous compounds. Yeast extract provides vitamin B complex and glucose is the fermentable carbohydrate and energy source. Tween 80 supplies fatty acids required for the metabolism of Lactobacilli. Sodium acetate and Diammonium hydrogen citrate inhibit Streptococci, moulds and many other microorganisms. Magnesium sulphate and manganese sulphate provide essential ions for multiplication of lactobacilli. Phosphates provide good buffering action in the media.

## **INSTRUCTION FOR USE**

- Dissolve 68.24 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.
- Mix well and pour into sterile Petri plates.

# **QUALITY CONTROL SPECIFICATIONS**













**Appearance of Powder** : Cream to light yellow homogeneous free flowing powder

Appearance of prepared medium : Medium to dark amber coloured, clear to slightly opalescent gel forms in Petri plates

pH (at 25°C) : 5.5±0.2

#### INTERPRETATION

Cultural characteristics observed after an incubation or longer (with 5% CO2).

Microorganism	ATCC	Inoculum (CFU/ml)	Growth	Recovery	Incubation Temperature	Incubation Period
Lactobacillus fermentum	9338	50-100	luxuriant	>=70%	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
Lactobacillus leichmannii	7830	50-100	luxuriant	>=70%	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
Lactobacillus plantarum	8014	50-100	luxuriant	>=70%	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
Lactobacillus casei	9595	50-100	luxuriant	>=70%	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 2-8°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.

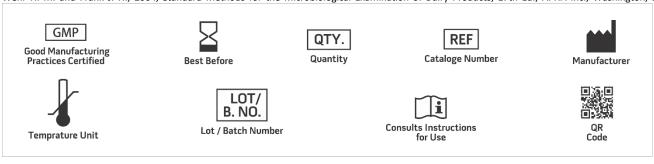
Product Deterioration: Do not use if they show evidence of microbial contamination, discoloration, drying or any other signs of deterioration.

## **DISPOSAL**

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

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**NOTE:** Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling Practices. \*For Lab Use Only Revision: 08 Nov., 2019









