

# TM 2225 - MacCONKEY AGAR II W/O CV

#### **INTENDED USE**

For selective isolation and differentiation of lactose fermenting and lactose non-fermenting enteric bacteria.

## **PRODUCT SUMMARY AND EXPLANATION**

MacConkey Agar is the earliest selective and differential medium for cultivation of enteric microorganisms from a variety of clinical specimens. Subsequently MacConkey Agar and Broth have been recommended for use in microbiological examination of foodstuffs and for direct plating/inoculation of water samples for coliform counts. These media are also accepted by the Standard Methods for the Examination of Milk and Dairy Products and pharmaceutical preparations. MacConkey Agar II w/o CV is the selective and differential medium. This media is specially designed to improve the inhibition of swarming *Proteus* species and to achieve more definitive differentiation of lactose fermenters. Lactose non-fermenting strains, such as *Shigella* and *Salmonella* are colourless and transparent and typically do not alter appearance of the medium. *Yersinia enterocolitica* may appear as small, non-lactose fermenting colonies after incubation at room temperature.

## COMPOSITION

| Ingredients     | Gms / Ltr |  |  |
|-----------------|-----------|--|--|
| Tryptone        | 1.500     |  |  |
| Peptone         | 1.500     |  |  |
| Gelatin peptone | 17.000    |  |  |
| Lactose         | 10.000    |  |  |
| Bile Salts      | 1.500     |  |  |
| Sodium chloride | 5.000     |  |  |
| Neutral red     | 0.030     |  |  |
| Agar            | 13.500    |  |  |

#### PRINCIPLE

This medium is slightly selective since the concentration of bile salts which inhibits gram-positive microorganisms, is low in comparison with other enteric plating media. Differentiation of enteric microorganisms is achieved by combination of lactose and neutral red indicator. Gram-negative bacteria are differentiated by their ability to ferment lactose. Lactose fermenting strains grow as red or pink colonies. The red colour is due to production of acid from lactose, absorption of neutral red and a subsequent colour change of the dye when the pH of medium falls below 6.8.

## **INSTRUCTION FOR USE**

- Dissolve 50.03 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. (The surface of the medium should be dry when inoculated).

## QUALITY CONTROL SPECIFICATIONS

| Appearance of Powder          | : Light yellow to pink homogeneous free flowing powder.                           |  |  |
|-------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Appearance of prepared medium | : Red with purplish tinge clear to slightly opalescent gel forms in Petri plates. |  |  |
| pH (at 25°C)                  | : 7.1±0.2   |  |  |





## INTERPRETATION

Cultural characteristics observed after an incubation.

| Microorganism                             | ATCC  | Inoculum<br>(CFU/ml) | Growth          | Recovery | Colour of<br>colony                     | Incubation<br>Temperature | Incubation<br>Period |
|---|-------|----------------------|-----------------|----------|---|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Escherichia coli                          | 25922 | 50-100               | Luxuriant       | >=70 %   | Pink to red<br>with bile<br>precipitate | 35-37°C                   | 18-24 Hours          |
| Klebsiella<br>aerogenes                   | 13048 | 50-100               | Luxuriant       | >=70 %   | Pink to red                             | 35-37°C                   | 18-24 Hours          |
| Enterococcus<br>faecalis                  | 29212 | 50-100               | Fair to<br>good | 20 -40 % | Pale pink<br>to red                     | 35-37°C                   | 18-24 Hours          |
| Proteus vulgaris                          | 13315 | 50-100               | Luxuriant       | >=70 %   | Colourless                              | 35-37°C                   | 18-24 Hours          |
| <i>Salmonella</i><br>Paratyphi A          | 9150  | 50-100               | Luxuriant       | >=70 %   | Colourless                              | 35-37°C                   | 18-24 Hours          |
| Shigella flexneri                         | 12022 | 50-100               | Fair to<br>good | 20 -40 % | Colourless                              | 35-37°C                   | 18-24 Hours          |
| <i>Salmonella</i><br>Paratyphi B          | 8759  | 50-100               | Luxuriant       | >=70 %   | Colourless                              | 35-37°C                   | 18-24 Hours          |
| <i>Salmonella</i><br>Enteritidis          | 13076 | 50-100               | Luxuriant       | >=70 %   | Colourless                              | 35-37°C                   | 18-24 Hours          |
| Salmonella<br>Typhi                       | 6539  | 50-100               | Luxuriant       | >=70 %   | Colourless                              | 35-37°C                   | 18-24 Hours          |
| Staphylococcus<br>aureus subsp.<br>aureus | 25923 | >=10 <sup>3</sup>    | Inhibited       | 0%       | -                                       | 35-37°C                   | 18-24 Hours          |



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| Escherichia coli                          | 8739  | 50-100            | Luxuriant | >=70 % | Pink to red<br>with bile<br>precipitate | 35-37°C | 18-24 Hours |
|---|-------|-------------------|-----------|--------|---|---------|-------------|
| Staphylococcus<br>aureus subsp.<br>aureus | 6538  | >=10 <sup>3</sup> | Inhibited | 0%     | -                                       | 35-37°C | 18-24 Hours |
| Salmonella<br>Typhimurium                 | 14028 | 50-100            | Luxuriant | >=70 % | Colourless                              | 35-37°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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NOTE: Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling Practices. \*For Lab Use Only

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