

## TM 2265 – L-ORNITHINE DECARBOXYLASE BROTH (ISO / TS 22964: 2017)

### INTENDED USE

For detection of the ability of microorganisms to decarboxylate ornithine.

### PRODUCT SUMMARY AND EXPLANATION

Decarboxylation is the process in which bacteria that possess specific decarboxylase enzyme attack amino acids at their carboxyl end (-COOH) to yield an amine or a diamine and carbon dioxide. The amino acid L-ornithine is decarboxylated by the enzyme ornithine decarboxylase to yield the diamine putrescine and carbon dioxide. Ornithine Decarboxylase Broth is based on the Taylors modification. It is recommended by the ISO Committee for the detection of ornithine decarboxylation by *Cronobacter sakazakii*.

### COMPOSITION

Ingredients	Gms / Ltr
L-Ornithine monohydrochloride	10.000
Yeast extract	3.000
Dextrose (Glucose)	1.000
Bromo cresol purple	0.015

### PRINCIPLE

The medium consists of Yeast extract in the medium which provides nitrogen and other nutrients necessary to support bacterial growth. The amino acid L-ornithine is added to detect the production of ornithine decarboxylase. Glucose is the fermentable carbohydrate, which during the initial stages of incubation, is fermented by the organisms with acid production, which results in colour change of the pH indicator (BCP) to yellow. The acidic condition also stimulates decarboxylase activity. If the organism produces the appropriate enzyme, i.e. decarboxylase, the amino acid (ornithine) in the medium is degraded, yielding a corresponding amine. Decarboxylation of ornithine yields putrescine. The production of this amine elevates the pH of the medium towards alkalinity, changing the color of the indicator from yellow to purple or violet. If the organism does not produce the appropriate enzyme, the medium remains acidic or yellow in colour.

### INSTRUCTION FOR USE

- Dissolve 14.02 grams in 1000 ml purified / distilled water.
- Heat if necessary to dissolve the medium completely.
- Dispense in test tubes and sterilize by autoclaving at 15 psi pressure (121°C) for 15 minutes.
- After inoculation overlay the tubes with 2-3 ml mineral oil.

### QUALITY CONTROL SPECIFICATIONS

- Appearance of Powder** : Light yellow to light green homogeneous free flowing powder.  
**Appearance of prepared medium** : Dark purple coloured clear solution without any precipitate.  
**pH (at 25°C)** : 6.8 ± 0.2

### INTERPRETATION

Cultural characteristics observed after incubation.



Microorganism	ATCC	Inoculum (CFU/ml)	Ornithine Decarboxylation	Incubation Temperature	Incubation Period
<i>Cronobacter sakazakii</i>	29544	50-100	Positive reaction, purple colour	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
<i>Cronobacter muytjensii</i>	51329	50-100	Positive reaction, purple colour	35-37°C	18-24 Hours

**PACKAGING:**

In pack size of 100 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.







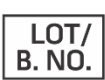


**Product Deterioration:** Do not use if they show evidence of microbial contamination, discoloration, drying or any other signs of deterioration.

**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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