

## TM 974 – DNASE TEST AGAR W/ METHYL GREEN

### INTENDED USE

For detection of deoxyribonuclease activity of microorganisms & identification of pathogenic Staphylococci.

### PRODUCT SUMMARY AND EXPLANATION

DNase test Agar is used for detecting deoxyribonuclease activity of bacteria and fungi and particularly for identification of pathogenic Staphylococci. DNase producing organisms exhibit clear zone around growth against green background. Reagent addition is not required. This medium is based on modification of the procedure for detecting DNase-producing bacteria as per Smith, Hanoch, and Rhoden and Jefferies, Holtman and Guse. The medium supports growth of both gram positive and gram-negative bacteria.

### COMPOSITION

Ingredients	Gms / Ltr
Tryptose	20.000
Deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA)	2.000
Sodium chloride	5.000
Methyl green	0.050
Agar	15.000

### PRINCIPLE

The medium consists of Tryptose which serves as nitrogenous source for the organisms. DNase produced by microorganisms depolymerizes the DNA substrate in the medium. Methyl green fades into a colourless compound producing distinct clear zones surrounding colonies (or band/spot inocula) in an otherwise green coloured medium. Methyl green requires a highly polymerized DNA substrate and it combines with polymerized DNA forming a stable, green complex at pH 7.5. As hydrolysis progresses, methyl green is released and when not combined at this pH it fades and becomes a colourless compound. Therefore, clear zones are observed.

### INSTRUCTION FOR USE

- Dissolve 42.05 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 in sterile Petri plates.

### QUALITY CONTROL SPECIFICATIONS

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

### INTERPRETATION

Cultural characteristics observed after incubation.



Microorganism	ATCC	Inoculum (CFU/ml)	Growth	Recovery	DNase Activity	Incubation Temperature	Incubation Period
<i>Serratia marcescens</i>	29212	50-100	Luxuriant	>=70%	Positive, clear halo around the growth	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
<i>Staphylococcus aureus subsp. aureus</i>	25922	50-100	Luxuriant	>=70%	Positive, clear halo around the growth	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
<i>Staphylococcus epidermidis</i>	13076	50-100	Luxuriant	>=70%	Negative reaction	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
<i>Streptococcus pyogenes</i>	14028	50-100	Luxuriant	>=70%	Positive, clear halo around the growth	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 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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 Temperature Unit	 EC REP Authorized Representative <small>MedNet GmbH Baukstrasse 10, 49163 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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