

HiMedia introduces Mucormycosis detection kit, MUCO-*diagno*™ to isolate fungi from Mucormycosis patients

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HiMedia Laboratories, a bioscience company with expertise in media manufacturing and diagnostics, has developed the Mucormycosis detection kit for mucormycosis patients. The kit has been introduced under the brand name MUCO-*diagno*™ [K144], which is a complete kit for clinicians to collect the sample and isolate the fungi responsible for Mucormycosis from patient's sample.

Commenting on the new kit development, **Dr. Gangadhar M. Warke, Founder and CMD, HiMedia Laboratories**, said, *"As cases of Mucormycosis were being noticed and had been raising alarm across the country, the need to make a one stop solution for isolating the Mucormycosis fungi available for our healthcare professionals had become vital. To address this, HiMedia, with its core expertise in Microbiology, has developed a Mucormycosis Detection Kit which allows precise isolation of Mucormycosis Fungal Pathogens. This will strengthen our fight against the fungal epidemic and offer relief to COVID-19 patients."*

The detection kit includes Ready Prepared Media plates (one each) for Mucormycosis selective agar for selective isolation of filamentous fungi and Candida selective agar for selective isolation of non-filamentous fungi such as Candida. The kit also consists HiFungal™ Transport Medium and swab. The unique combination 2 selective media supports rapid and selective growth of the fungi, whereas the lockable media plates ensure user's safety.

Adding to this, **Dr. Rahul G. Warke, Director- R&D Microbiology, HiMedia Laboratories**, mentioned that, *"The pure fungal cultures so obtained can be retained further for anti-microbial susceptibility studies and to decide the line of antibiotic therapy. These isolated pure cultures can also be retained for taxonomic studies."*

About HiMedia

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