

Violet Red HiVeg™ Broth

MV458

Violet Red HiVeg Broth is a selective medium used for the isolation and detection of coliform organisms from water, milk and other food products.

Composition ** :

Ingredients	MV458 Grams/Litre
HiVeg peptone	7.0
Yeast extract	3.0
Sodium chloride	5.0
Synthetic detergent No. 1	1.5
Lactose	1.5
Neutral red	0.03
Crystal violet	0.002

Final pH (at 25°C) 7.4 ± 0.2

** Formula adjusted, standardized to suit performance parameters.

Directions :

Suspend 26.53 grams in 1000 ml distilled water. Heat to boiling with stirring to dissolve the media completely. DO NOT AUTOCLAVE. If desired the media can be sterilized by autoclaving at 15 lbs pressure (121°C) for 15 minutes, dispense in tubes.

Principle and Interpretation :

Violet Red HiVeg Broth is prepared by completely replacing animal based peptones by vegetable peptones which makes the medium free of BSE/TSE risks. Violet Red HiVeg media like the conventional Violet Red Bile media is recommended by APHA for the detection and isolation of coliform organisms in water, milk, dairy and other food products (1,2,).

The medium is selective due to the presence of the inhibitors - synthetic detergent No.1 and crystal violet. Crystal violet inhibits gram-positive microorganisms especially *Staphylococci*. Neutral red is the pH indicator. Organisms which rapidly ferment lactose will produce pink to red colour (3). Lactose non-fermenters and late lactose fermenters produce pale colour. Other related gram-negative bacteria can be suppressed by incubation at >42°C or by anaerobic incubation. Incubation may be carried out at > 42°C for 18 hours, 32°C for 24-48 hours or 4°C for 10 days depending on the temperature characteristics of the organisms to be recovered (4).

Product Profile :

Vegetable based (Code MV)Ⓞ	Animal based (Code M)
MV458 HiVeg peptone Synthetic detergent No. 1	M458 Peptic digest of animal tissue Bile salts mixture
Recommended for	: Isolation and detection of coliform organisms from water, milk and food.
Reconstitution	: 26.53 g/l
Quantity on preparation (500g)	: 18.84 L
pH (25°C)	: 7.4 ± 0.2
Supplement	: None
Sterilization	: Boiling or 121°C / 15 minutes, if desired
Storage	: Dry Medium - Below 30°C, Prepared Medium 2 - 8°C.

Quality Control :**Appearance of powder**

Pinkish beige coloured, homogeneous, free flowing powder.

Colour and Clarity

Reddish purple coloured, clear solution in tubes.

Reaction

Reaction of 2.65% w/v aqueous solution is pH 7.4 ± 0.2 at 25°C.

Cultural Response

Cultural characteristics observed after an incubation at 35-37°C for 18 - 24 hours.

Organisms (ATCC)	Inoculum (CFU)	Growth	Colour of Medium
<i>Enterobacter aerogenes</i> (13048)	10 ² -10 ³	luxuriant	pinkish-red
<i>Escherichia coli</i> (25922)	10 ² -10 ³	luxuriant	pinkish red
<i>Salmonella</i> serotype Enteritidis (13076)	10 ² -10 ³	luxuriant	orangish-yellow
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (25923)	10 ² -10 ³	inhibited	-

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