

**KG HiVeg™ Agar Base**

**MV658**

Kim-Goepfert (KG) HiVeg Agar Base with added supplements is used for promoting fast and free sporulation of *Bacillus cereus* and *Bacillus thuringiensis*.

**Composition \*\* :**

Ingredients	Grams/Litre
HiVeg peptone	1.0
Yeast extract	0.5
Phenol red	0.025
Agar	18.0

Final pH (at 25°C ) 6.8 ± 0.2

\*\* Formula adjusted, standardized to suit performance parameters.

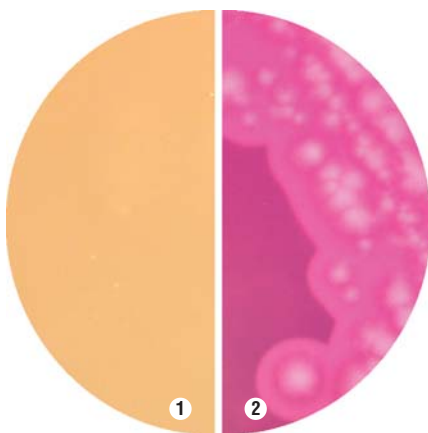
**Directions :**

Suspend 19.53 grams in 900 ml distilled water. Heat to boiling to dissolve the medium completely. Sterilize by autoclaving at 15 lbs pressure (121°C) for 15 minutes. Cool to 50°C and aseptically add 100 ml sterile, Egg Yolk Emulsion (FD045) and reconstituted Polymyxin B Selective Supplement (FD003). Mix well and pour into sterile petri plates.

**Principle and Interpretation :**

This medium is prepared by replacing Peptic digest of animal tissue by HiVeg peptone which is free from BSE/TSE risks. KG HiVeg Agar Base is the modification of KG Agar Base which was formulated by Kim and Goepfert (1) to promote free spore formation of *Bacillus cereus* and *Bacillus thuringiensis* within 20 - 24 hours.

HiVeg peptone and yeast extract supports growth and lecithinase production of *Bacillus cereus*, *Bacillus thuringiensis*. *Bacillus polymyxa* is unable to form lecithinase under the nutritionally poor conditions. Lecithinase activity is observed as opaque zone surrounding the individual colony. *Bacillus cereus* is resistant to Polymyxin B, whereas gram-negative organisms are restricted by it. *Bacillus cereus* and *Bacillus thuringiensis* can be distinguished by means of microscopic examination, where the latter show endotoxin crystals in sporulated cells.



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- 1. Control
- 2. *Bacillus cereus*

**Product Profile :**

Vegetable based (Code MV)©	Animal based (Code M)
<b>MV658</b> HiVeg peptone	<b>M658</b> Peptic digest of animal tissue

<b>Recommended for</b>	: Promoting fast and free sporulation of <i>Bacillus cereus</i> and <i>Bacillus thuringiensis</i> .
<b>Reconstitution</b>	: 19.53 g/l
<b>Quantity on preparation (500g)</b>	: 25.6 L
<b>pH (25°C)</b>	: 6.8 ± 0.2
<b>Supplement</b>	: Polymyxin B Selective Supplement (FD003) and Egg Yolk Emulsion (FD045)
<b>Sterilization</b>	: 121°C / 15 minutes.
<b>Storage</b>	: Dry Medium - Below 30°C, Prepared Medium 2 - 8°C.

**Quality Control :**

**Appearance of powder**

Light pink coloured, homogeneous free flowing powder.

**Gelling**

Firm, comparable with 1.8% Agar gel.

**Colour and Clarity**

Orange coloured, clear basal medium which on addition of sterile Egg Yolk Emulsion (FD045) and Polymyxin B Sulphate(FD003), forms orangish opalescent gel form in petri plates.

**Reaction**

Reaction of 1.95% w/v aqueous solution is pH 6.8 ± 0.2 at 25°C

**Cultural Response**

Cultural characteristics observed after an incubation at 30-35°C for 24 hours with added sterile Egg Yolk Emulsion (FD045) and Polymyxin B. Selective Supplement (FD003).

Organisms (ATCC)	Inoculum (CFU)	Growth	Recovery	Lecithinase
<i>Bacillus cereus</i> (11778)	10 <sup>2</sup> -10 <sup>3</sup>	luxuriant	>50%	+
<i>Bacillus thuringiensis</i> (10792)	10 <sup>2</sup> -10 <sup>3</sup>	good-luxuriant	>50%	+
<i>Escherichia coli</i> (25922)	10 <sup>2</sup> -10 <sup>3</sup>	none-poor	<20%	-

Key : + = Opaque zone around the colony.

**References :**

- 1. Kim H.V. and Goepfert J.M., 1971, Appl. Microbiol, 22:581.