



Antibiotic Assay Medium No.19

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Recommended for the microbiological assay of Amphotericin B, Candicidin and Nystatin using *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*.

Composition**

Ingredients	Gms / Litre
Peptone	9.400
Yeast extract	4.700
HM peptone B	2.400
Dextrose (Glucose)	10.000
Sodium chloride	10.000
Agar	23.500
Final pH (at 25°C)	6.1±0.2

**Formula adjusted, standardized to suit performance parameters

Directions

Suspend 60.0 grams in 1000 ml purified / distilled water. Heat to boiling to dissolve the medium completely. Sterilize by autoclaving at 15 lbs pressure (121°C) for 15 minutes. Cool to 45-50°C.

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Principle And Interpretation

Antibiotic Assay media are used in the performance of antibiotic assays. Grove and Randall have elucidated those antibiotic assays and media in their comprehensive treatise on antibiotic assays (1). Schmidt and Moyer have reported the use of antibiotic assay medium for the liquid formulation used in the performance of antibiotic assay (5). This media is prepared according to USP (7) and by FDA (6). This medium is as per specification of Krishbaum and Arett (4).

Peptone, yeast extract and beef extract provides nutrients and growth factor. Dextrose provides the energy source and sodium chloride maintains the osmotic equilibrium of the medium.

Freshly prepared plates should be used for antibiotic assays. Test organisms are inoculated in sterile seed agar precooled to 40-45°C and spread evenly over the surface of solidified base agar.

Type of specimen

Pharmaceutical samples.

Specimen Collection and Handling:

For pharmaceutical samples, follow appropriate techniques for sample collection, processing as per guidelines and local standards.(7)

After use, contaminated materials must be sterilized by autoclaving before discarding.

Warning and Precautions :

Read the label before opening the container. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/ face protection. Follow good microbiological lab practices while handling specimens and culture. Standard precautions as per established guidelines should be followed while handling specimens. Safety guidelines may be referred in individual safety data sheets.

Limitations :

1. Freshly prepared plates must be used or it may give erroneous results.

Performance and Evaluation

Performance of the medium is expected when used as per the direction on the label within the expiry period when stored at recommended temperature.

Quality Control

Appearance

Cream to yellow homogeneous free flowing powder

Gelling

Firm, comparable with 2.35% Agar gel.

Colour and Clarity of prepared medium

Yellow coloured clear to slightly opalescent gel forms in Petri plates

Reaction

Reaction of 6.0% w/v aqueous solution at 25°C. pH : 6.1±0.2

pH

5.90-6.30

Cultural Response

Cultural characteristics observed after an incubation at 29-31°C for 24-48 hours.

Organism	Inoculum (CFU)	Growth	Recovery	Antibiotics assayed
<i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i> ATCC 2601	50-100	luxuriant	≥70%	Nystatin
<i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i> ATCC 9763 (00058*)	50-100	luxuriant	≥70%	Amphotericin B, Candididin

Key : *Corresponding WDCM numbers.

Storage and Shelf Life

Store between 10-30°C in a tightly closed container and use freshly prepared medium. Use before expiry date on the label. On opening, product should be properly stored dry, after tightly capping the bottle in order to prevent lump formation due to the hygroscopic nature of the product. Improper storage of the product may lead to lump formation. Store in dry ventilated area protected from extremes of temperature and sources of ignition Seal the container tightly after use. Use before expiry date on the label.

Product performance is best if used within stated expiry period.

Disposal

User must ensure safe disposal by autoclaving and/or incineration of used or unusable preparations of this product. Follow established laboratory procedures in disposing of infectious materials and material that comes into contact with sample must be decontaminated and disposed of in accordance with current laboratory techniques (2,3).

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