

# **Technical Data**

**M296** 

## **Sensitivity Test Medium**

#### **Intended Use:**

Recommended for sensitivity tests with sulphonamides and other antimicrobial agents.

## Composition\*\*

Ingredients	g/L
Proteose peptone	10.000
HMV infusion from #	10.000
Dextrose (Glucose)	10.000
Sodium chloride	3.000
Disodium hydrogen phosphate	2.000
Sodium acetate	1.000
Adenine sulphate	0.010
Guanine	0.010
Uracil	0.010
Xanthine	0.010
Agar	15.000
Final pH (at 25°C)	$7.3 \pm 0.2$
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#### **Directions**

Suspend 51.04 grams in 1000 ml distilled water. Heat to boiling to dissolve the medium completely. Sterilize by autoclaving at 118-121°C for 15 minutes. Cool to 50°C and add sterile serum or blood aseptically if desired. Mix well and pour into sterile Petri plates.

## **Principle And Interpretation**

Sensitivity testing has been used for several decades as a guide for antimicrobial therapy of serious infections. Such testing is most frequently performed when bactericidal antimicrobial agent therapy is considered necessary. It has also been used to ensure that the infecting organism is killed by (not tolerant to) the bactericidal compounds. Sensitivity Test Medium is designed for use in sensitivity tests with sulphonamides and other antimicrobial agents (1).

Incorporation of sodium acetate and HMV infusion in this medium renders the medium to give better defined zones of inhibition in sensitivity plate tests. Proteose peptone supplies the nitrogenous nutrients to the organisms. Addition of nucleoside bases supports the growth of common gram-positive and gram-negative organisms. Dextrose serves as the carbohydrate and energy source for many microorganisms. The medium is well buffered and isotonic due to the inclusion of disodium phosphate and sodium chloride respectively.

## Type of specimen

Isolated Microorganism from clinical sample

### **Specimen Collection and Handling:**

For clinical samples follow appropriate techniques for handling specimens as per established guidelines (2,3). After use, contaminated materials must be sterilized by autoclaving before discarding.

### **Warning and Precautions:**

In Vitro diagnostic Use only. For professional use only. 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 clinical specimens. Safety guidelines may be referred in individual safety data sheets.

#### **Limitations:**

- 1. Well isolated colonies must be used.
- 2. Further biochemical & serological identification is necessary for confirmation.

<sup>#</sup> Equivalent to Veal, infusion from

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#### **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 1.5% Agar gel

#### Colour and Clarity of prepared medium

Yellow coloured clear to slightly opalescent gel forms in Petri plates

#### Reaction

Reaction of 5.1% w/v aqueous solution at 25°C. pH: 7.3±0.2

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7.10-7.50

#### **Cultural Response**

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

Organism	Inoculum (CFU)	Growth	Recovery
Escherichia coli ATCC 25922 (00013*)	50-100	good-luxuriant	>=70%
Pseudomonas aeruginosa ATCC 27853(00025*)	50-100	good-luxuriant	>=70%
** Bacillus spizizenii ATCC 6633 (00003*)	50-100	good-luxuriant	>=70%
Staphylococcus aureus subsp. aureus ATCC 25923 (00034*)	50-100	good-luxuriant	>=70%
Enterococcus faecalis ATCC 29212 (00087*)	50-100	good-luxuriant	>=70%

Key: \*Corresponding WDCM numbers.

### Storage and Shelf Life

Store between 10-30°C in a tightly closed container and the prepared medium at 20-30°C. 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. 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 clinical sample must be decontaminated and disposed of in accordance with current laboratory techniques (2,3).

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<sup>\*\*</sup>Formerly known as Bacillus subtilis subsp. spizizenii

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Storage temperature



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