

C.L.E.D. Agar w/Bromo Thymol Blue Plate

MP792

Intended use

Recommended for isolation and differentiation of urinary pathogens on the basis of lactose fermentation.

Composition**

Ingredients	g / L
Peptone	4.000
Tryptone	4.000
HM Peptone B#	3.000
Lactose	10.000
L-Cystine	0.128
Bromothymol blue	0.020
Agar	15.000
Final pH (at 25°C)	7.3±0.2

**Formula adjusted, standardized to suit performance parameters

#- Equivalent to Beef extract

Directions

Either streak, inoculate or surface spread the test inoculum (50-100 CFU) aseptically on the plate.

Principle And Interpretation

On a solid medium, Sandys reported that swarming of *Proteus* species can be controlled by restricting the electrolytes (1). Formerly swarming of *Proteus* was controlled by adding alcohol, surface-active agent, sodium azide, boric acid etc. to the medium (1). Later on Sandy's medium was modified by Mackey and Sandys (2), by replacing mannitol by lactose and sucrose and elevating concentration of agar and bromothymol blue. This formulation was further modified by the same authors, called C.L.E.D. (Cystine-Lactose-Electrolyte-Deficient) by deleting the sucrose and by including L-cystine for promoting the growth of cystine dependent dwarf colony coliforms (3). This medium is recommended for use in urinary bacteriology, promoting the growth of all urinary pathogens. C.L.E.D. Medium is also recommended for dip stick procedures and as dip inoculum transport medium for urine specimens (2,3,4).

Peptone, Tryptone and HM Peptone B provides nitrogenous and carbonaceous compounds, long chain amino acids, vitamins and other essential growth nutrients. Lactose is the fermentable sugar. L-cystine supports the growth of dwarf coliform colony. Bromo thymol blue is the pH indicator which turns yellow at acidic pH.

Bacteriuria may be quantitated by inoculating the surface of an agar medium by proper dilution. Inoculate the medium immediately after urine collection. It can also be inoculated by calibrated loop or duplicate dilution pour plate methods (5,6).

Type of specimen

Clinical samples - urine

Specimen Collection and Handling:

For clinical samples follow appropriate techniques for handling specimens as per established guidelines (7,8).

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 pack. 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. Initiation of antibiotic therapy, before collection of sample, low urine pH (less than 5) etc. may result in low bacterial count from infected patients.
2. *Shigella* species may not grow on this medium.
3. Individual organisms differ in their growth requirement and may show variable growth patterns on the medium.

4. Each lot of the medium has been tested for the organisms specified on the COA. It is recommended to users to validate the medium for any specific microorganism other than mentioned in the COA based on the user's unique requirement.
5. It is recommended to store the plates at 24-30°C to avoid condensation.

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

Sterile C.L.E.D. Agar w/ Bromo Thymol Blue in 90 mm disposable plates with smooth surface and absence of black particles/cracks/bubbles

Colour of medium

Green coloured medium

Quantity of medium

25 ml of medium in 90 mm disposable plates.

pH

7.10-7.50

Sterility Check

Passes release criteria

Cultural Response

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

Organism	Inoculum (CFU)	Growth	Recovery	Colour of Colony
<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> ATCC 29212 (00087*)	50-100	good-luxuriant	>=70%	slight yellowish or greenish
<i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 25922 (00013*)	50-100	good-luxuriant	>=70%	yellow, opaque, centre slightly deeper yellow
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> ATCC 13883 (00097*)	50-100	good-luxuriant	>=70%	yellow to whitish blue
## <i>Proteus hauseri</i> ATCC 13315	50-100	good-luxuriant	>=70%	blue
<i>Salmonella Typhi</i> ATCC 6539	50-100	good-luxuriant	>=70%	bluish
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> subsp. <i>aureus</i> ATCC 25923 (00034*)	50-100	good-luxuriant	>=70%	deep yellow

Key : (*) Corresponding WDCM numbers.

(##) Formerly known as *Proteus vulgaris*

Storage and Shelf Life

On receipt store between 20-30°C. 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 clinical sample must be decontaminated and disposed of in accordance with current laboratory techniques (7,8).

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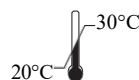
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