## Plant Tissue Culture

## Technical Information

## Orchid Maintenance/Replate Medium With Calcium Chloride, Vitamins, Sucrose, Banana powder, Veg peptone, MES, Activated Charcoal And Agar

## Product Code: PT1074

Application: Orchid Maintenance Medium has been formulated for the effective maintenance of the orchid species.
It is a nutrient blend of inorganic salts, vitamins and carbohydrates. In addition, it is supplemented with MES buffer which maintains optimum buffering and prevents acidification in the media required for the propagation of orchids. Veg peptone is added as an additional source of reduced organic nitrogen. Microelements like Boron, Manganese, Molybdenum, Copper, Iron and Zinc enhance metabolism in plants. Boron plays a key role in carbohydrate metabolism. Thiamine, pyridoxine, nicotinic acid act as enzymatic cofactors in universal pathways including glycolysis and TCA cycle and in primary and secondary metabolism in the plants. Activated charcoal adsorbs the inhibitory leachouts in the medium while banana powder aids in organogenesis as well as promotes the growth of protocorm like bodies.

The product is plant tissue culture tested but it is the sole responsibility of the user to ensure the suitability of the medium for individual species.

| Composition** |  |
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| Ingredients | $\mathbf{m g} /$ Litre |
| MACROELEMENTS | 825.000 |
| Ammonium nitrate | 166.100 |
| Calcium chloride | 90.340 |
| Magnesium sulphate | 950.000 |
| Potassium nitrate | 85.000 |
| Potassium phosphate monobasic | 3.100 |
| MICROELEMENTS | 0.013 |
| Boric acid | 0.013 |
| Cobalt chloride hexahydrate | 37.300 |
| Copper sulphate pentahydrate | 27.800 |
| EDTA disodium salt dihydrate | 8.450 |
| Ferrous sulphate heptahydrate | 0.106 |
| Manganese sulphate monohydrate | 0.420 |
| Molybdic acid (sodium salt) | 5.300 |
| Potassium lodide |  |
| Zinc sulphate heptahydrate |  |
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| VITAMINS |  |
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| myo-Inositol | 100.000 |
| Nicotinic acid (free acid) | 1.000 |
| Pyridoxine HCl | 1.000 |
| Thiamine hydrochloride | 10.000 |
| CARBOHYDRATE |  |
| Sucrose | 20000.000 |
| GELLING AGENT |  |
| Agar | 7000.000 |
| OTHERS |  |
| Activated charcoal | 2000.000 |
| Banana Powder | 30000.000 |
| Veg Peptone | 2000.000 |
| MES | 1000.000 |
| Total (gms/litre) | 64.3 |

## Material required but not provided

- Autoclaved distilled water
- Plant growth regulators
- $1 \mathrm{~N} \mathrm{NaOH} / \mathrm{HCl}$


## Quality Control

## Appearance

Grey to black, homogenous, free flowing powder

## Solubility

$64.3 \mathrm{gms} /$ litre soluble after boiling in distilled water
Colour and Clarity
Grey to black solution, opaque gel is formed on cooling
Gelling
Firm gel formed at $\mathrm{pH}: 5.75 \pm 0.5$
pH at $\mathbf{2 5}^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
3.80-4.80

Plant Tissue Culture Test
The growth promoting properties of medium is assessed by providing plant cultures with relative humidity of about $60 \% \pm 2 \%$, temperature $22^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \pm 2^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and photoperiod of about 16:8. The plant species showed actively growing callus and shoots with no structural, necrotic and toxic deformity.

## Directions

- Reconstitute medium by adding required quantity of powder in two-third of total volume with constant, gentle stirring till the medium gets completely dissolved.
- Add heat stable supplements prior to autoclaving.
- Make up the final volume with distilled water.
- Adjust the pH of the medium to $5.75 \pm 0.5$ using $1 \mathrm{~N} \mathrm{NaOH} / \mathrm{HCl}$.
- Add gelling agent and heat the medium to boiling till complete dissolution of gelling agent.
- Sterilize the medium by autoclaving at 15 lbs and $121^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 15 min .
- Cool the autoclaved medium to about $45^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ before adding heat labile supplements.
- Aseptically dispense the desired amount of medium under a laminar airflow unit in sterile culture vessels


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## Storage and Shelf Life

- The plant tissue culture medium powder is extremely hygroscopic and must be stored at $2-8^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ in air tight containers.
- Preferably, entire content of each package should be used immediately after opening.
- Use before the expiry date.


## Precautions

- Ensure appropriate pH of the medium before addition of gelling agent as acidic pH will lead to decreased gelation resulting in semi solid flowing gel while alkaline pH will lead to formation of hardened gel.
- Use of Distilled water/Tissue culture grade water is recommended for media preparation as tap water or lower grade water may lead to salt precipitation and improper gelation.
- Avoid preparation of concentrated solutions, as it will lead to precipitation of salts.


## Disclaimer

- User must ensure suitability of the product(s) in their application prior to use.
- The product conforms solely to the technical information provided in this booklet and to the best of knowledge research and development work carried at CDH is true and accurate.
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