

Technical Information

Minimum Essential Medium Eagle (MEM)

With Hank's salts, L-Glutamine, 25mM HEPES buffer and Sodium bicarbonate 1X Liquid Cell Culture Medium

Product Code: AL1075A

Application:—Minimum Essential Medium (MEM) is a modification of Basal Medium Eagle (BME). It was developed by Harry Eagle to meet the specific nutritional requirements of certain subtypes of HeLa cells and normal mammalian fibroblasts. MEM includes higher concentration of amino acids so as to closely approximate the protein composition of cultured mammalian cells. MEM can be used either with Earle's salts or Hank's salts and can also be additionally supplemented with non-essential amino acids (NEAA). This medium can be further modified by eliminating calcium to facilitate growth of cells in suspension cultures.

AL1075A is Minimum Essential Medium with Hank's salts, L-glutamine, 25mM HEPES buffer and sodium bicarbonate. Hank's salt mixture is designed to equilibrate with air, hence does not require CO₂ air mixture. Cells can therefore be grown in AL1075A in less CO₂ or CO₂ free environment. HEPES, a zwitterionic buffer having a pKa of 7.3 at 37°C prevents the initial rise in pH that tends to occur at the initiation of a culture and increases the buffering capacity of the medium. Users are advised to review the literature for recommendations regarding medium supplementation and physiological growth requirements specific for different cell lines.

Composition**

Ingredients	mg/Litre
INORGANIC SALTS	
Calcium chloride dehydrate	185.000
Disodium hydrogen phosphate anhydrous	47.800
Magnesium sulphate anhydrous	97.720
Potassium chloride	400.000
Potassium dihydrogen phosphate	60.000
Sodium bicarbonate	350.000
Sodium chloride	8000.000
AMINO ACIDS	
L-Arginine hydrochloride	126.000
L-Cystinedihydrochloride	31.300
L-Glutamine	292.000
L-Histidine hydrochloride monohydrate	42.000
L-Isoleucine	52.000
L-Leucine	52.000
L-Lysine hydrochloride	72.500
L-Methionine	15.000
L-Phenylalanine	32.000
L-Threonine	48.000
L-Tryptophan	10.000
L-Tyrosine disodium salt	51.900
L-Valine	46.000
VITAMINS	
Choline chloride	1.000
D-Ca-Pantothenate	1.000
Folic acid	1.000
Nicotinamide	1.000

Pyridoxal hydrochloride	1.000
Riboflavin	0.100
Thiamine hydrochloride	1.000
i-Inositol	2.000
OTHERS	
D-Glucose	1000.000
Phenol red sodium salt	11.000

Quality control

Appearance

Orangish red colored, clear solution.

pH

7.00 -7.60

Osmolality in mOsm/Kg H₂O

300.00 -340.00

Sterility

No bacterial or fungal growth is observed after 14 days of incubation, as per USP specification.

Cultural Response

The growth promotion capacity of the medium is assessed qualitatively by analyzing the cells for the morphology and quantitatively by estimating the cell counts and comparing it with a control medium through minimum three subcultures.

Endotoxin Content

NMT 5EU/ml

Storage and Shelf Life

Store at 2-8°C away from bright light. Shelf life is 12 months. Use before expiry date given on the product label.

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