

# **Technical Information**

## **Antibiotic Assay Medium No.3**

Product Code: DM 1042U

Application: - Antibiotic Assay Medium No.3 is recommended as the broth medium in turbidimetric or serial dilution assay of a wide variety of antibiotics in accordance with United States Pharmacopoeia.

## Composition\*\*

Ingredients	Gms / Litre	
Peptone	5.000	
Yeast extract	1.500	
Beef extract	1.500	
Dextrose	1.000	
Sodium chloride	3.500	
Dibasic potassium phosphate	3.680	
Monobasic potassium phosphate	1.320	
pH after sterilization	7.0±0.05	
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## Principle & Interpretation

Grove and Randall have elucidated the antibiotic assays and medias in their comprehensive treatise on antibiotic assays (1). Antibiotic assay Medium No. 3 is recommended as the broth medium in turbidimetric or serial dilution assay of a wide variety of antibiotics. This medium is formulated in accordance with The United States Pharmacopoeia (2).

Turbidimetric antibiotic assay is based on the change or inhibit the growth of a test microorganims in a liquid medium containing a uniform concentration of an antibiotic. After incubation of the test organism in the working dilutions of the antibiotics, the amount of growth is determined by measuring the light transmittance using spectrophotometer. The concentration of antibiotic is determined by comparing amounts of growth obtained with that given by the reference standard solutions. Use of this method is appropriate only when test samples are clear.

Peptone, beef extract and yeast extract supply essential nutrients and growth factors for enhanced microbial growth. Sodium chloride maintains the osmotic equilibrium and retains the cell viability and cell intergrity. Phosphates supply good buffering action in the medium. Dextrose act as the carbon and energy source for luxuriant growth.

# Methodology

Suspend 17.5 grams of dehydrated media in 1000 ml distilled water. Mix thoroughly & heat if necessary to dissolve the medium completely. Sterilize by Autoclaving at 15 lbs pressure (121°C) for 15 minutes.

Advice: Recommended for the Microbiological assay of Amikacin, Capreomycin, Chloramphenicol, Chlortetracycline, Cycloserine, Demeclocycline, Dihydrostreptomycin, Doxycycline, Gramicidin, Kanamycin, Methacycline, Oxytetracycline Rolitetracycline, Streptomycin,Tetracycline,Tobramycin and Troleandomycin according to official methods.

# Quality Control

### **Appearance**

Cream to yellow coloured homogeneous free flowing powder





### Colour and Clarity

Light yellow coloured clear solution without any precipitate.

#### Reaction

Reaction of 1.75% w/v aqueous solution at 25°C (after sterilization). pH: 7.0±0.05

### pH Range

6.95-7.05

### **Growth Promotion Test**

In Accordance with the harmonized method of USP.

### **Cultural Response**

DM 1042U: Cultural characteristics observed after incubation at specified temperature.

## **Cultural Response**

Organism	Inoculum (CFU)	Growth	Serial dilution with	Incubation temperature / period
Cultural Response				•
Escherichia coli ATCC 10536	50-100	luxuriant	Chloramphenicol	32-35°C / 24 hours
Klebsiella pneumoniae ATCC 10031	50-100	luxuriant	Capreomycin,	36-37.5°C /16-24 hours
			Dihydrostreptomycin,	
			Streptomycin,	
			Troleandomycin	
Staphylococcus aureus ATCC 29737	50-100	luxuriant	Amikacin,	32-35°C/ 24 hours
			Chlortetracycline,	
			Cycloserine,	
			Demeclocycline,	
			Doxycycline,	
			Kanamycin,,,	
			Lincomycin,	
			Methacycline,	
			Oxytetracycline,	
			Rolitetracycline ,	
			Tetracyclin,	
			Tobramycin,	
Enterococcus hirae ATCC 10541	50-100	luxuriant	Gramicidin	36-37.5°C /16-18 hours
Staphylococcus aureus ATCC 9144	50-100	luxuriant	Tylosin	35-39°C/16-18 hours

# Storage and Shelf Life

**Dried Media:** Store below 30°C in tightly closed container and use freshly prepared medium. Use before expiry date on the label. **Prepared Media:** 2-8° in sealable plastic bags for 2-5 days.

# **Further Reading**

- 1. Grove and Randall, 1955, Assay Methods of Antibiotics, Medical Encyclopedia, Inc. New York
- 2. United States Pharmacopoeia 2011, US Pharmacopoeia Convention, Inc., Rockville, MD.

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