

# **Technical Information**

### Chlorella Broth Base w/o Dextrose and Citrate

Product Code: DM 1769

Application: - Chlorella Broth Base w/o Dextrose and Citrate is recommended for cultivation of Chlorella species.

### Composition\*\*

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Ingredients	Gms / Litre	
Cupric sulphate	0.0078	
Sodium molybdate	0.050	
Zinc sulphate	0.220	
Boric acid	0.00028	
Manganese sulphate	0.0014	
Ferrous sulphate	0.0015	
Potassium sulphate	0.217	
Magnesium sulphate	2.400	
Monopotassium phosphate	2.450	
Potassium nitrate	2.500	
Final pH ( at 25°C)	4.5±0.2	
**Formula adjusted, standardized to suit perform	nance narameters	ļ

### Principle & Interpretation

Chlorella is a genus of single-celled green algae, belonging to the phylum Chlorophyta. Chlorella Broth has originally modified by Shrift (1) and further modified for cultivation and maintenance of Chlorella.

All algae utilize inorganic phosphates and sulphates. There is a fairly high requirement of molybdate as a trace metal in nitrogen fixation. Calcium, magnesium, potassium and probably sodium are required by algae. Most algae grow poorly on agar and it is best to let them become established in liquid culture before adapting them to the more rigorous conditions of an agar slant.

Chlorella Broth Base w/o Dextrose and Citrate is the same as Chlorella Broth except that the citrate and dextrose have been omitted from the medium. This media supplies the necessary nutrients for the rapid growth of Chlorella species. Chlorella being photosynthetic green algae should be cultivated in the presence of light. Bright diffused light, fluorescent light and sunlight are satisfactory sources of light for the growth of Chlorella. The inoculated tubes/flasks should be incubated in the presence of light at 25-27°C for a week to permit good growth and pigmentation (2). Chlorella cultures can be maintained at room temperature for 2-3 months without subculturing.

## Methodology

Suspend 7.6 grams of dehydrated media in 900 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. Add aseptically 100 ml of separately sterilized solution of 10 gm of dextrose and 32 mg of potassium citrate. Shake well and dispense as desired in tubes or flasks.

## Quality Control

White to cream homogeneous free flowing powder

Colour and Clarity

Colourless clear solution in tubes

Reaction

Reaction of 0.76% w/v aqueous solution at 25°C. pH: 4.5±0.2





#### pH Range

4.30-4.70

#### **Cultural Response**

DM1769: Cultural characteristics observed in presence of light, after an incubation at 25-27°C for 1 week.

Organism Growth

Chlorella vulgaris ATCC 9765 good-luxuriant

Euglena gracilis ATCC 12716 good-luxuriant

## Storage and Shelf Life

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

## **Further Reading**

1. Shrift, 1954, Am. J. Botany, 41:223.

2. Norris J.R. & Ribbons D.W. (ed.), 1963, Methods in Microbiology, Volume 3B, Academic press, London, pg. 269.

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