

Dehydrated Culture Media Bases / Media Supplements

Technical Information

Actinomyces broth

Product Code: DM 1233

Application: - Actinomyces broth is recommended for the cultivation and maintenance of the anaerobic Actinomyces species.

ngredients	Gms / Litre	
Beef heart infusion, solids	10.000	
Tryptose	10.000	
Casein enzymic hydrolysate	4.000	
/east extract	5.000	
Dextrose	5.000	
-Cysteine hydrochloride	1.000	
Starch, soluble	1.000	
Sodium chloride	5.000	
Monopotassium phosphate	15.000	
Ammonium sulphate	1.000	
Magnesium sulphate	0.200	
Calcium chloride	0.020	
Final pH (at 25°C)	7.2±0.2	

Principle & Interpretation

Actinomycetes are gram positive bacteria which show marked chemical and morphological diversity but form a distinct evolutionary line of organisms that range from coccoid and pleomorphic forms to branched filaments ⁽¹⁾. Actinomycete are the part & parcel of soil, water and vegetation and their development leads to the formation of volatile metabolites which are sufficient to give disagreeable odour to water or a muddy flavour to fish ^(2,3). Actinomycetes also interfare in wastewater treatment by forming massive growths, which are capable of producing thick foam in the activated sludge process ^(4, 5) Actinomyces Broth is a modification of the Maintenance Medium formulated by Pine and Watson ⁽⁶⁾ which is further modified ⁽⁷⁾ and is recommended for the cultivation and maintenance of anaerobic Actinomycete species. Actinomyces Broth contains beef heart infusion, casein enzymic hydrolysate, yeast extract, starch and dextrose, which act as sources of carbon, nitrogen, sulphur, vitamins and other essential growth factors. The metallic salts provide essential electrolytes and minerals.

Methodology

Suspend 57.22 grams of powder medium in 1000 ml distilled water. Shake well & eat if necessary to dissolve the medium completely.

Distribute into tubes or flasks. Sterilize by autoclaving at 15 lbs pressure (12 1°C) for 15 minutes.

Quality Control

Physical Appearance Cream to yellow homogeneous free flowing powder Colour and Clarity of prepared medium Yellow to light amber coloured slightly opalescent solution with a slight precipitate forms in tubes. Reaction Reaction of 5.72% w/v aqueous solution at 25°C. pH : 7.2±0.2 pH Range:- 7.00-7.40

Cultural Response/Characteristics DM 1233: Cultural characteristics observed after an incubation at 25-30°C for 40-72 hours.(*- incubated anaerobically)





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Organism	Growth
*Actinomyces israelii ATCC 10049	Good
Streptomyces achromogenes ATCC 12767	Good
Streptomyces albus subsp good albus ATCC 3004	Good
Streptomyces lavendulae ATCC 8664	Good
*Actinomyces bovis ATCC 13683	Good

Storage and Shelf Life

Dried media: Store below 30°C in tightly closed container and use before expiry date as mentioned on the label. Prepared Media: 2-8⁰ in sealable plastic bags for 2-5 days.

Further Reading

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