

Technical Information

M Endo Broth MF (MF Endo Medium) (M-Coliform Broth) Product Code: DM 2103

Application: - M-Endo Broth MF is used in the one step membrane filter technique for the enumeration of coliform bacteria in water samples.

Composition**					
Ingredients	Gms / Litre				
Tryptose	10.000				
Casein enzymic hydrolysate	5.000				
Peptone, special	5.000				
Yeast extract	1.500				
Lactose	12.500				
Sodium deoxycholate	0.100				
Dipotassium phosphate	4.375				
Monopotassium phosphate	1.375				
Sodium chloride	5.000				
Sodium lauryl sulphate	0.050				
Sodium sulphite	2.100				
Basic fuchsin	1.050				
Final pH (25°C)	7.2±0.2				
**Formula adjusted, standardized to suit perform	ance parameters				

Principle & Interpretation

It is possible to remove bacteria from fluids by passing them through filters with small pore size. This filtration technique enables fairly large volumes of water to pass rapidly under pressure, but prevents the passing out of any bacteria present through it. These bacteria are retained on the surface of the membrane which is then brought into contact with suitable liquid nutrients. Which diffuse upwards through the pores thereby inducing the organisms to grow as surface colonies which can be counted ⁽¹⁾ for enumeration of coliform bacteria in water sample.

M-Endo broth is used for the estimation of coliform bacteria in water samples using the membrane filtration technique. Endo Medium was first developed by Endo to differentiate between lactose-fermenters and non-fermenters. This medium contains sodium sulphite and basic fuchsin instead of bile salts for inhibiting the growth of gram-positive bacteria ⁽²⁾.

M-Endo Broth MF is a selective and differential medium for the detection of coliforms by the membrane filter technique ⁽³⁾. Preliminary enrichment on a non-selective medium is not required in case of M-Endo Broth MF and therefore this is a medium of choice for the determination of coliform bacteria in water and other specimens by one step filtration technique.

Casein enzymic hydrolysate, tryptose, peptone special and yeast extract provide essential nutrients especially nitrogenous for the coliforms. Lactose is the fermentable carbohydrate. Sodium sulphite, sodium deoxycholate and basic fuchsin inhibit the growth of gram-positive organisms. Phosphates buffer the medium. Coliforms ferment lactose and the resulting acetaldehyde reacts with sodium sulphite and basic fuchsin to form red colonies and similar colouration of the medium. Lactose nonfermenters form colourless colonies.





Bases / Media Supplements

Methodology

Suspend 48.05 grams of powder media in 1000 ml distilled water containing 20 ml ethanol. Shake well heat if necessary to dissolve the medium completely. DO NOT AUTOCLAVE. Cool to room temperature and dispense about 2 ml onto sterile absorbent pads. This medium should be used on the same day it is prepared and should be protected from bright light.

Caution: Basic fuchsin is a potential carcinogen and care should be taken to avoid inhalation of the powdered dye and contamination of the skin.

Quality Control

Physical Appearance

Light pink to purple homogeneous free flowing powder Colour and Clarity of prepared medium Red coloured opalescent solution in tubes Reaction Reaction of 4.8% w/v aqueous solution containing 2.0% v/v ethanol at 25°C. pH : 7.2±0.2 pH range 7.00-7.40 Cultural Response/ characteristices DM 2103: Cultural characteristics observed after an incubation at 35-37°C for 18-48 hours.

Organism	Inoculum (CFU)	Growth	Colour of Colony (on Membrane filter)
Escherichia coli ATCC 25922	50-100	good-luxuriant	pink with metallic sheen
Enterobacter aerogenes ATCC 13048	50-100	good-luxuriant	pink to red(may have sheen)
Salmonella Typhi ATCC 6539	50-100	luxuriant	colourless to very light pink
Staphylococcus aureus ATCC 25923	>=10 ³	inhibited	
Klebsiella pneumoniae ATCC 13883	50-100	good-luxuriant	pink to red
Salmonella Typhimurium ATCC 14028	50-100	luxuriant	colourless to very light pink

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**: 2-8° in sealable plastic bags for 2-5 days.

Further Reading

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