

Technical Information

Antibiotic Assay Medium No. 40

Product Code: DM 2143

Application: - Antibiotic assay medium No. 40 is used in microbiological assay of Thiostrepton using *Enterococcus faecium* as test organism.

Composition**

Ingredients	Gms / Litre			
Yeast extract	20.000			
Peptic digest of animal tissue (Peptone)	2.500			
Dextrose	10.000			
Potassium dihydrogen phosphate	2.000			
Polysorbate 80	0.100			
Casein enzymic hydrolysate	2.500			
Agar	10.000			
Final pH (at 25°C) **Formula adjusted, standardized to suit performance p	6.7±0.2			
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Principle & Interpretation

This medium is used to maintain the test organism *Enterococcus hirae* ATCC 10541 being used for assay of Thiostrepton. as recommended by USP ⁽¹⁾. Essential amino acids, mineral and growth factors are supplied by peptic digest of animal tissue, casein enzymic hydrolysate and yeast extract in this medium. Dextrose functions as carbon and energy source for enhancing the growth of test organism. During maintenance of the test organims, good buffering action is provided by phosphates in the medium. Incorporation of polysorbates reduces the surface tension, help in maintaining uniform suspension of cells and also neutralize phenolic compounds if any in the test sample,

Methodology

Suspend 47.1 grams of powder media in 1000 ml purified/distilled water. Shake well and heat to dissolve the medium completely. Dispense and sterilize by autoclaving at 15 lbs pressure (121°C) for 15 minutes.





Quality Control

Physical Appearance

Cream to yellow homogeneous free flowing powder

Gelling

Firm, comparable with 1.0% Agar gel.

Colour and Clarity of prepared medium

Light amber coloured clear to slightly opalescent gel forms in Petri plates.

Reaction

Reaction of 4.71% w/v aqueous solution at 25°C. pH: 6.7±0.2

pH Range: - 6.50-6.90

Cultural Response/Characteristics

DM2143: Cultural characteristics observed after an incubation at 35 - 37°C for 18 - 24 hours.

Organism	Inoculum (CFU)	Growth	Recovery	Antibiotics assayed
Enterococcus hirae ATCC 10541		luxuriant	>=70%	Thiostrepton

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

1. United States Pharmacopoeia 2009, US Pharmacopoeial Convention, Inc., Rockville, MD.

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