

Product Data Sheet

DIAMALT AGAR (as per APHA)

Product No. GB-DCM-00172-1A

INTENDED USE

For isolation and identification of yeasts from water sample.

PRODUCT SUMMARY

Fungi including yeasts and filamentous species or moulds are ubiquitously distributed in the environment. The association between fungal densities and organic loading suggests that fungi may be useful indicators of pollution. Fungi have also been found in potable water and on the inner surface of distribution system pipes. Of the total number of fungal colonies obtained from polluted waters, as many as 50% may be yeast colonies. Diamalt Agar is used for isolation and identification of yeast from water samples as recommended by APHA. Solid media such as Diamalt Agar is used for counting fungal colonies from various samples either directly by using pour plate method or spread plate method or following enrichment. Diamalt Agar is also useful in the purification of yeast isolates and for study of yeast species in various specified tests.

Product Specifications

Ingredients	Gms / Ltr
Diamalt	150.000
Agar	20.000

INSTRUCTION FOR USE

- Dissolve 17 grams in 100 ml purified/distilled water.
- Heat to boiling to dissolve the medium completely.
- Sterilize by autoclaving at 15 psi pressure (121°C) for 15 minutes. The medium will be turbid but filtration is not necessary.
- Mix well and pour into sterile Petri plates.

PRINCIPLE

The medium consists of Diamalt which provides an acidic environment with necessary nutrients for growth and metabolism of yeasts. Standard procedures for isolation of fungal and yeast cells should be followed.

Microorganism	ATCC	Inoculum (CFU/ml)	Growth	Recovery	Incubation Temperature	Incubation Period
Candida albicans	10231	10-100	Luxuriant	$\geq 70\%$	30 °C	18-48 Hours
Candida lambica	2146	10-100	Luxuriant	$\geq 70\%$	30 °C	18-48 Hours

QUALITY CONTROL SPECIFICATIONS

Appearance of Powder: Cream to yellow homogeneous free flowing powder.
 Appearance of prepared medium: Dark amber coloured, clear to slightly opalescent gel forms in Petri plates.
 pH (at 25°C) : 6.6±0.2

STORAGE

Dehydrated powder, hygroscopic in nature, store in a dry place, in tightly-sealed containers between 25-30°C and protect from direct sunlight. Under optimal conditions, the medium has a shelf life of 4 years. When the container is opened for the first time, note the time and date on the label space provided on the container. After the desired amount of medium has been taken out replace the cap tightly to protect from hydration.

Product Deterioration: Do not use if they show evidence of microbial contamination, discoloration, drying or any other signs of deterioration.

DISPOSAL

After use, prepared plates, specimen/sample containers and other contaminated materials must be sterilized before discarding.

This product is for research use only.