



Product Data Sheet

L B AGAR (Lennox)

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INTENDED USE

For propagation and maintenance of E. coli.

PRODUCT SUMMARY

LB Agar (Lennox) is a nutritionally rich medium developed by Lennox for the growth and maintenance of pure cultures of recombinant strains of E. coli used in molecular microbiology procedures. These strains are generally derived from E. coli K12, which are unable to produce vitamin B, so this media is formulated to enhance the growth of nutritionally demanding microorganisms. This strain of E. coli has been further modified through specific mutation to create an auxotrophic strain that is not capable of growth on nutritionally deficient media. LB Agar (Lennox) has a different sodium chloride level than other media such as Luria Agar (Miller LB Agar) or Luria Agar (Miller Modification). This allows to select the optimum salt concentration of the medium for a specific strain.

Product Specifications

Ingredients	Gms / Ltr
Tryptone	10.000
Yeast extract	5.000
Sodium chloride	5.000
Agar	15.000

PRINCIPLE

This medium consists of Tryptone which provides nitrogen, vitamins, minerals and amino acids essential for growth. Yeast extract is source of vitamins, particularly the B-group. Sodium chloride supplies essential electrolytes for transport and osmotic balance. Agar is the solidifying agent. If desired, antibiotics can also be added.

INSTRUCTION FOR USE

- Dissolve 35.0 grams in 1000 ml purified/distilled water.
- Mix well and dissolve by heating with frequent agitation. Boil for one minute until complete dissolution.
- Sterilize in autoclave at 15 psi pressure (121°C) for 15 minutes.
- Cool to 45-50 °C and mix well and dispense into sterile petri plates.

QUALITY CONTROL SPECIFICATIONS

Appearance of Powder: Beige coloured, homogeneous, free flowing powder.

Appearance of prepared medium: Amber coloured, slightly opalescent gel forms in Petri plates.

pH (at 25°C) : 7.0 ± 0.2

Microorganism	ATCC	Inoculum (CFU/ml)	Growth	Recovery	Incubation Temperature	Incubation Period
Escherichia coli	23724	50-100	Good	40-50%	35-37 °C	18-24 Hours
Escherichia coli	33694	50-100	Good	40-50%	35-37 °C	18-24 Hours
Escherichia coli	33849	50-100	Good	40-50%	35-37 °C	18-24 Hours
Escherichia coli	39403	50-100	Good	40-50%	35-37 °C	18-24 Hours
Escherichia coli	47014	50-100	Good	40-50%	35-37 °C	18-24 Hours

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.