

Product Data Sheet

MacCONKEY BROTH W/ NEUTRAL RED Product No. GB-DCM-00392-1A

INTENDED USE

For selective enrichment and enumeration of coliforms from water.

PRODUCT SUMMARY

MacConkey Broth is widely used as a differential medium for detection and enumeration of coliforms from a wide variety of clinical, food and water samples. Identification is based on colour change of the medium due to the indicator neutral red used.

Product Specifications

Ingredients	Gms / Ltr		
Veg peptone	20.000		
Lactose	10.000		
Synthetic detergent	2.000		
Sodium chloride	5.000		
Neutral red	0.070		

PRINCIPLE

Veg Peptone provides necessary nitrogen source. Lactose serves as the fermentable carbohydrate source. Sodium chloride maintains the osmotic balance of the cells. The selective action of these media is attributed to the presence of bile salts, which are inhibitory to most species of gram-positive bacteria. Gram-negative bacteria usually grow well on these media and are differentiated by their ability to ferment lactose. The colour change of the medium shown by lactosefermenters is due to production of acid from lactose and a subsequent colour change of the indicator dye when the pH of the media falls below 6.8. Lactose non-fermenting strains, such as Shigella and Salmonella do not alter the appearance of the medium. The medium turns pink in case of lactose fermenters and yellow in case of non-lactose- fermenters, due to neutral red. MacConkey Broth, which contains neutral red as an indicator is considered as a standard medium for the primary isolation as well as presumptive identification of coliform-aerogenes group of organisms in food and water.



Microorganism	ATCC	Inoculum (CFU/ml)	Growth	Acid	Gas	Incubation Temperature	Incubation Period
Klebsiella aerogenes	13048	50-100	Good- Luxuriant	Positive reaction	Positive reaction	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
Escherichia coli	25922	50-100	Good- Luxuriant	Positive reaction	Positive reaction	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
Klebsiella pneumoniae	13883	50-100	Good- luxuriant	Positive reaction	Positive reaction	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
Proteus mirabilis	25933	50-100	Good- luxuriant	Negative reaction	Negative reaction	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
Salmonella Cholerasuis	12011	50-100	Fair to good	Negative reaction	Negative reaction	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
Staphylococcus aureus subsp. aureus	25923	>=10 ³	Inhibited	-	-	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
Enterococcus faecalis	29212	50-100	None- poor	Positive reaction	Negative reaction	35-37°C	18-24 Hours

INSTRUCTION FOR USE

- Dissolve 40.07 grams in 1000 ml purified/distilled water.
- Heat if necessary to dissolve the medium completely.
- Distribute into tubes with inverted Durham's tubes.
- Sterilize by autoclaving at 15 psi pressure (121°C) for 15 minutes.
- Cool the tubes before inoculation.

UALITY CONTROL SPECIFICATIONS

Appearance of Powder: Pale yellow to pink homogeneous free flowing powder.

Appearance of prepared medium: Red coloured, clear solution without any precipitate.

pH (at 25°C): 7.4 ± 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.