

MacConkey Agar

Product No. CP908C

Intended Use

Used for isolation of *Escherichia coli* in drugs.

Specification 250 g

Ingredients	(g/L)
Pancreatic Digest of Gelatin	17.0
Peptone	3.0
Lactose Monohydrate	10.0
Sodium Desoxycholate	1.5
Sodium Chloride	5.0
Neutral Red	0.03
Crystal Violet	0.001
Agar	13.5
(pH 7.1 \pm 0.2)	

Additional Reagents

No

Principle and Interpretation

Peptone and pancreatic digest of gelatin are sources of nitrogen and other nutrients. When lactose monohydrate is fermented, a local pH drop around the colony causes a color change in the pH indicator (neutral red) and bile precipitation. Sodium desoxycholate and crystal violet are selective agents that inhibit growth of gram-positive organisms. Sodium chloride maintains osmotic balance in the medium.

Directions

Suspend 50.0~g of the powder in 1~L of distilled water. Heat with frequent agitation and boil to dissolve completely. Autoclave at 115 °C for 15~minutes.

Precautions

No



Quality Control

Microorganisms	Inoculum (CFU)	Reference Medium	Method	Incubation	Growth (recovery)
Escherichia coli CMCC(B) 44102	≤100	MacConke y Agar	Growth promoting	30°C-35°C 18h	Good

Microorganisms	Inoculum (CFU)	Reference Medium	Method	Incubation	colony appearance
Escherichia coli CMCC(B) 44102	≤100	MacConke y Agar	Indicative	30°C-35°C 18h	Purple-red colonies surrounded by bile precipitation.

Storage Conditions

Keep container tightly closed and store in a dry place at 2-25°C.

Shelf Life

3 years.

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