

# Antibiotic Medium B (Eur. Pharm.)

Art. No. 01-016

## Also known as

Antibiotic Medium 10, Medium 10

## Specification

Antibiotic Medium B is used in the microbiological assays of Colistimethate and Polymyxin by the Agar Diffusion method.

## Formula\* in g/L

Casein Pancreatic Digest.....	17,00
Soybean meal Digest.....	3,00
Sodium chloride.....	5,00
Dextrose.....	2,50
Dipotassium phosphate.....	2,50
Agar.....	15,00
Final pH 7.3 ± 0.1 at 25°C	

## Reconstitution

Add 45 g of powder to 1 L of distilled water. Once dissolved, add 10 mL of Polysorbate 80 (Art. No. TW0080). Bring to the boil and dispense into suitable containers. Sterilize in the autoclave at 121°C for 15 minutes.

## Description

Antibiotic Medium B is recommended by the European Pharmacopoeia and the USP for determining antibiotic potency by the microbiological assay techniques, specifically for colistimethate and polymyxin, in a single layer or double layer. For these assays seed cultures ATCC 4617 *Bordetella bronchiseptica* and ATCC 10536 *Escherichia coli* are recommended.

## Technique

The diffusion method for the assay of antibiotics is carried out in accordance with the methodology in the current pharmacopoeias of each country. Scharlau Microbiology's Antibiotic Medium B can be used equally with impregnated paper discs, penicylinders and cut wells as the consistency of the gel is specifically adjusted to suit all of these methodologies.

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## Storage

For laboratory use only. Keep tightly closed, away from bright light, in a cool dry place (+4 °C to 30 °C and <60 % RH).

## Quality control

**Incubation temperature:** 35°C ± 2,0

**Incubation time:** 24 h

**Inoculum:** 10-100 CFU. Spiral Plate Method (according to standard ISO/TR 11133-1:2000 and ISO/TS 11133-2:2003)

Microorganism	Growth	Remarks
<i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 10536	Productivity > 0.70	-
<i>Bordetella bronchiseptica</i> ATCC 4617	Productivity > 0.70	-