



Reference : 01-505
Product :
BLOOD AGAR BASE No. 2

Scharlau Microbiology - Technical data sheet



Specification

Nutrient rich medium suitable for the isolation of pathogenic microorganisms from clinical specimens and ISO standard.

Formula * in g/L

Proteose peptone.....	15,00
Liver extract.....	2,50
Yeast extract.....	5,00
Sodium chloride.....	5,00
Agar.....	15,00

Final pH 7,2 ±0,2 at 25 °C

* Adjusted and /or supplemented as required to meet performance criteria

Directions

Suspend 42,5 g in 950 mL of distilled water and bring to boil. Distribute into flasks and sterilize in the autoclave at 121°C for 15 minutes. Cool to 45-50°C and aseptically add 5% of sterile defibrinated blood. Mix gently and pour into plates.

Note: Blood and medium should be mixed in a big flask to ensure proper blood oxidation and mixing.

Description

Blood Agar Base No. 2 allows maximum recovery of weak organisms without altering or interfering in their haemolytic reactions. Compared to other Blood Agar bases, Blood Agar Base No. 2 has an equal or higher stimulatory growth capacity, however it is specially formulated to promote pigment production in chromogenic bacteria.

Quality control

Incubation temperature: 37°C ±1,0

Incubation time: 24-48 h

Inoculum: Practical range 100 ± 20 CFU. Min. 50 CFU (Productivity) according to ISO 11133:2014/Amd 1:2018 &

Adm 2:2020

Microorganism

Growth

Remarks

<i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC® 8739	Productivity > 0.70	g-hemolysis
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> ATCC® 6538	Productivity > 0.70	β-hemolysis
<i>Streptococcus pyogenes</i> ATCC® 19615	Productivity > 0.70	β-hemolysis
<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i> ATCC® 49619	Productivity > 0.70	a-haemolysis
<i>Neisseria meningitidis</i> ATCC® 13090	Productivity > 0.70	g-haemolysis
<i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> ATCC® 13932	Productivity > 0.70	β-hemolysis
<i>Bacillus cereus</i> var. <i>mycoides</i> ATCC® 11778	Productivity > 0.70	β-hemolysis
<i>Bacillus subtilis</i> ATCC® 6633	Productivity > 0.70	β-hemolysis

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- ISO 11290-2:2017 Standard. Microbiology of the food chain. Horizontal method for the detection and enumeration of *Listeria monocytogenes* and for *Listeria* spp.- Part 2: Enumeration Method

Storage

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



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