B12 Maintenance Medium (for E. coli Mutant)

Intended Use

 B_{12} Maintenance medium is used for the propagation, cultivation and maintenance of *E. coli* mutant 113-3D ATCC 11105, which is the test organism in vitamin B_{12} assay.

Summary

Escherichia coli mutant species grow poorly on non-selective culture media and require special nutrients for its growth. B₁₂ Maintenance Media for *E. coli* mutant is recommended for supporting stock cultures to preserve the viability and sensitivity of the test organism for its intended purpose.

Principle

Tryptone is a source of carbon and nitrogen while yeast extract serves as the energy source as well as supplies B-complex vitamins. Sucrose is the fermentable carbohydrate, liver extract provides B-vitamins, potassium phosphate acts as a buffer and sodium chloride maintains the osmotic balance.

Formula*

| Ingredients | g/L | |
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| Sucrose | 12.0 | |
| Yeast Extract | 5.0 | |
| Tryptone | 5.0 | |
| Monopotassium Phosphate | 0.5 | |
| Magnesium Sulphate | 0.2 | |
| Sodium Chloride | 0.1 | |
| Liver Extract | 0.05 | |
| Ferrous Sulphate | 0.001 | |
| Agar | 15.0 | |
| Final pH (at 25°C) | 7.0 ± 0.2 | |
| *Adjusted to suit performance parameters | | |

Storage and Stability

Store below 8°C in tightly closed container, preferably in dessicators and use freshly prepared medium. Avoid freezing and overheating. Use before expiry date on the label. Once opened keep powdered medium closed to avoid hydration.

Specimen Collection and Handling

Ensure that all samples are properly labelled.

Follow appropriate techniques for handling samples as per established guidelines.

Some samples may require special handling, such as immediate refrigeration or protection from light, follow the standard procedure.

The samples must be stored and tested within the permissible time duration.

After use, contaminated materials must be sterilized by autoclaving before discarding.

Directions

- 1. Suspend 37.85 g of the powder in 1000 mL purified / distilled water.
- 2. Boil with frequent agitation, to dissolve the powder completely.
- 3. Sterilize by autoclaving at 121°C (15 psi) for 15 minutes as per validated cycle.
- 4. Dispense as required.

Quality Control

Dehydrated Appearance: Light yellow coloured, homogenous, free flowing powder.

Prepared Appearance: Light to medium amber coloured, slightly opalescent gel that may have a slightly flocculent precipitate.

Cultural Response: Cultural characteristics observed after an incubation of 18-24 hours at 30°C -35°C.

Organisms (ATCC) Growth
Escherichia coli 113-3D (11105) Good

Performance and Evaluation

Performance of the product is dependent on following parameters as per product label claim:

- 1. Directions
- 2. Storage
- 3. Expiry

Warranty

This product is designed to perform as described on the label and package insert. The manufacturer disclaims any implied warranty of use and sale for any other purpose.

Reference

- 1. Kavanagh F., (1972), Analytical Microbiology, Academic Press, New York.
- 2. United States Pharmacopeial Convention, Inc. 2001. The United States pharmacopeia 25/The national formulary 20 2002. United States Pharmacopeial Convention, Inc., Rockville, Md.
- 3. Data on file: Microxpress®, A Division of Tulip Diagnostics (P) Ltd.

Product Presentation:

| Cat No. | Product description | Pack Size |
|--------------|--------------------------|-----------|
| 201020030100 | Dehydrated Culture Media | 100 g |

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Information provided is based on our inhouse technical data on file, it is recommended that user should validate at his end for suitable use of the product.