# R-2A Broth (Double Strength)

# Intended Use

R-2A Broth Double Strength is used for cultivation and maintenance of heterotrophic bacteria from potable water.

# Summary

The total bacterial count of drinking water is determined by plate count on a nutritionally rich medium. However, all organisms present are not able to grow on them, either because they are slow growers or because they can't grow on that media. For this reason, a nutritionally reduced medium was described. R-2A Agar is a modification of this medium. R-2A Broth enables better recovery of these bacteria from treated waters under different incubation conditions. Many bacteria from natural waters, which contain limited nutrients at ambient temperature, grow best on the media with less nutrient levels. They grow better at the temperatures below the routine laboratory incubation temperatures of 35°C-37°C.

## **Principle**

This medium contains casein acid hydrolysate, yeast extract, proteose peptone as source of essential growth factors required for metabolism of the bacteria. Dextrose is the energy source. Starch acts as a neutralizer that neutralizes any toxic metabolites, if present. Phosphate buffers the medium while sodium pyruvate supplies additional nutrition. Magnesium sulphate serves as a source of ions. Due to the presence of the abovementioned ingredients these media allow the growth of stressed and chlorine tolerant bacteria present in treated waters.

## Formula\*

Ingredients	g/L
Casein Acid Hydrolysate	1.0
Proteose Peptone	1.0
Yeast Extract	1.0
Dextrose	1.0
Starch, Soluble	1.0
Sodium Pyruvate	0.6
Dipotassium Phosphate	0.6
Magnesium Sulphate	0.048
Final pH (at 25°C)	$7.2 \pm 0.2$
*Adjusted to suit performance parameters.	

#### **Directions**

- 1. Bring the R-2A Broth Double Strength vial to the room temperature 22°C-30°C.
- 2. Use R-2A Broth Double Strength as per required application.

# **Quality Control**

**Appearance:** Yellow coloured, clear solution without any precipitate.

**Growth Promotion Test:** Growth promotion is carried out in accordance with the harmonized method of USP/EP/JP/BP and growth is observed after an incubation at  $30^{\circ}C-35^{\circ}C$  for  $\leq 3$  days.

**Growth Promoting Properties:** The test results observed are within the specified temperature and shortest period of time, inoculation  $\leq 100$  cfu of the appropriate organism (at 30°C-35°C for  $\leq 3$  days).

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Escherichia coli (8739) Enterococcus faecalis (29212) Salmonella enterica subsp. enterica serovar Enteritidis (13076) Candida albicans 3147 (10231) Growth Good Good Good

Note: Inoculum cfu for good growth is 10-100.

# Remarks

- 1. Do not use media bottles that exhibit any damage, cracks, microbial contamination, discolouration, drying or any other sign of deterioration.
- 2. Good laboratory practices and hazard precautions must be observed at all times.
- 3. After use media containers, sample, sample containers and other contaminated materials must be sterilized or incinerated before discarding.
- 4. All autoclaved biohazards should be disposed off in accordance with state and local environmental regulations.
- 5. Only qualified personnel who have been trained in microbiological procedures should handle all infected specimens and inoculated culture media.
- User should ensure that any machinery or apparatus used and by chance contaminated must be safely disinfected or sterilized. The environment in which microbiological cultures are handled must also be taken into account.

#### Storage and Stability

- 1. Store the ready to use R-2A Broth Double Strength at 15°C-25°C in a cool, dry place away from light.
- 2. Stability of the kit is as per expiry date mentioned on the label.

## 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.

## References

1. Data on file: Microxpress<sup>®</sup>, A Division of Tulip Diagnostics (P) Ltd.

#### **Product Presentation:**

Cat. No.	Product Description	Pack Size
203180230010	Ready Prepared Tube	25 x 10 mL
203180230250	Bottle Media	250 mL
203180230100	Bottle Media	100 mL

#### Disclaimer

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.