

Sugar Free Agar

Medium for the enumeration of bacteria in food.

TYPICAL FORMULA	(g/l)
Casein Peptone	7.5
Gelatin Peptone	7.5
Sodium Chloride	5.0
Agar	14.0
Final pH 7.5 ± 0.2	

DESCRIPTION

Sugar Free Agar is a medium used for the determination of the total microbial count in food.

This medium complies with the recommendations of the International Dairy Federation for the enumeration of psychotrophic and mesophilic bacteria from butter and other dairy products.

PRINCIPLE

Casein peptone and gelatin peptone provide amino acids, nitrogen, carbon, vitamins, and minerals for organisms growth. Sodium chloride maintains the osmotic balance of the medium. Agar is the solidifying agent. This medium does not contain any fermentable carbohydrates and has relatively poor nutrient value allowing the cultivation of the contaminant flora in dairy products.

TECHNIQUE

Inoculate the medium by spread-plate or streak-plate techniques. Incubate in aerobic atmosphere for 48 hours at $35 \pm 2^{\circ}$ C followed by further 48 hours at $20 \pm 2^{\circ}$ C.

INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS

Observe for colony growth. Do not count pin-point colonies.

STORAGE

10-25°C away from light, until the expiry date on the label. Eliminate if signs of deterioration or contamination are evident.

WARNING AND PRECAUTIONS

The product does not contain hazardous substances in concentrations exceeding the limits set by current legislation and therefore is not classified as dangerous. It is nevertheless recommended to consult the safety data sheet for its correct use. The product is designed for professional use only and must be used by properly trained operators.

DISPOSAL OF WASTE

Disposal of waste must be carried out according to the national and local regulations in force.

REFERENCES

1. International Dairy Federation (1985) Methods of sampling milk and milk products. - International Standard, FIL/IDF 50 B





PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

NAME

Sugar Free Agar

PRESENTATION

Ready-to-use plates (90 mm) containing 22±1 ml of medium

STORAGE

10-25°C

PACKAGING						
Ref.	Content	Packaging				
10415	20 plates	 10 plates in thermally soldered film 2 x 10 plates in cardboard box 				

pH OF THE MEDIUM

7.5 ± 0.2

USE

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TECHNIQUE

Refer to technical sheet of the product

APPEARANCE OF THE MEDIUM

Light amber, very slightly opalescent

SHELFLIFE

6 months

QUALITY CONTROL

- 1. Control of general characteristics, label and print
- Sterility control 7 days at 22 ± 2°C, in aerobiosis 7 days at 35 ± 2°C, in aerobiosis
- Microbiological control Inoculum for productivity: 50-100 CFU Incubation conditions: 2-4 days at 35 ± 2°C and 20 ± 2°C, in aerobic atmosphere

Microorganism	Growth	
Bacillus subtilis	ATCC® 6633	good
Escherichia coli	ATCC® 8739	good
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	ATCC® 10145	good
Staphylococcus aureus	ATCC® 25923	good
Enterococcus faecalis	ATCC® 19433	good

TABLE OF SYMBOLS

LOT Batch code	\otimes	Do not reuse	•••	Manufacturer	\Box	Use by	Fragile, handle with care
REF Catalogue number	\mathbf{r}	Temperature limitation	$\sum_{i=1}^{n}$	Contains sufficient for <n> tests</n>	[]i	Caution, consult instructions for use	

