

# STREPTOCOCCAL KF AGAR

Selective medium for faecal streptococci isolation and enumeration in water and food samples

TYPICAL FORMULA (g/L)	
Peptocomplex	10.0
Yeast Extract	10.0
Sodium Chloride	5.0
Sodium Glycerophosphate	10.0
Sodium Azide	0.4
Bromcresol Purple	0.015
Maltose	20.0
Lactose	1.0
Agar	16.0
Final pH 7.2 ± 0.2	

### **DESCRIPTION**

STREPTOCOCCAL KF AGAR is a selective medium, for faecal streptococci isolation and enumeration in water and food samples

#### PRINCIPI F

Peptospecial provides a source of amino acids and proteins. Yeast extract provides vitamins and other growth factors. Maltose and lactose are a source of energy. Sodium chloride maintains the osmotic balance. Sodium azide is a selective agent. Bromcresol purple is an indicator dye. Agar is the solidifying agent. TTC is used as a redox indicator: it is colorless in the oxidized form and is reduced to formazan, an insoluble red pigment, by actively growing microbial cells. The reduction of TTC is irreversible.

#### DDEDADATION

Dissolve the contents of the bottle in a boiling water bath at 100 °C (with the cap slightly unscrewed) until complete dissolution of the medium. Check the good homogeneity of the medium turning the bottle. If necessary, put again the bottle in a water bath to get the full melting. Cool to 45-50 °C. Aseptically add 1 mL of T.T.C. 1% Supplement (code 80300). Mix well with no bubbles and pour into Petri plates in aseptic conditions. Allow to carefully dry the plates to avoid condensation that may contribute to contamination of the medium. Store plates upside down in boxes or in sealed polythene bags.

#### TECHNIQUE

Membrane Filter Method

- 1. Filter samples (or appropriate dilution) through a 0.45 µm sterile membrane, according to the degree of pollution expected to give 20-200 colonies
- Incubate at 36 ± 1°C for 18-48 hours.

For solid samples transfer the membrane on the surface of STREPTOCOCCAL KF AGAR, invert the plate and streak the sample to examine, omogenized and diluted with saline solution onto the surface of the medium, and incubate at  $36 \pm 1^{\circ}$ C for 18-48 hours.

## INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS

Faecal streptococci cultivate with red pink colonies. Confirm suspect colonies by biochemicals test.

### STORAGE

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

### WARNING and PRECAUTIONS

The product is not classified as hazardous by current legislation and does not contain harmful substances in concentrations of  $\geq$  1%. The product must be used only by properly trained operators.

### **DISPOSAL of WASTE**

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

### REFERENCES

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# PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

NAME

STREPTOCOCCAL KF AGAR

**PRESENTATION** 

Glass bottles containing 100 ml of broth.

STORAGE

10-25°C

**PACKAGING** 

Code		Packaging
402150	6 bottles x 100 ml	6 bottles in cardboard box

# pH OF THE MEDIUM

 $7.2 \pm 0.2$ 

USE

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TECHNIQUE

Refer to technical sheet of the product.

APPEARANCE of the MEDIUM

Purple medium, slightly opalescent.

SHELFLIFE

2 years

### **QUALITY CONTROL**

Control of general characteristics, label and print

2. Sterility control

7 days at  $25 \pm 1^{\circ}$ C, in aerobiosis 7 days at  $36 \pm 1^{\circ}$ C, in aerobiosis

3. Microbiological control

Inoculum for productivity: 10-100 CFU/ml Inoculum for selectivity:  $10^4$ - $10^5$  CFU/ml Inoculum for specificity:  $\leq 10^4$  CFU/ml

Incubation conditions:18-48 hours at 36 ± 1°C, in anaerobiosis

Microorganisms		Inoculum CFU	Recovery	Color of colonies
Enterobacter aerogenes	ATCC 13048	3x10 <sup>2</sup> -10 <sup>3</sup>	Inhibition	-
Enterococcus faecalis	ATCC 19433	30-300	Good	Red - pink
Enterococcus faecalis	ATCC 29212	30-300	Good	Red - pink
Escherichia coli	ATCC 25922	3x10 <sup>2</sup> -10 <sup>3</sup>	Inhibition	-

# TABLE of SYMBOLS

LOT Batch code	Temperature limitation	Manufacturer	Σ	Contains sufficient for <n> tests</n>
REF Catalogue number	Keep away from heat	Use by	<u> </u>	Caution, consult accompanying documents



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