

# m-FC AGAR + ROSOLIC ACID

Selective medium for coliforms isolation and enumeration.

### TYPICAL FORMULA (g/L)

Tryptose	10.0
Proteose Peptone	5.0
Lactose	12.5
Bile Salts n°3	1.5
Sodium Chloride	5.0
Yeast Extract	3.0
Aniline Blue	0.1
Agar	15.0
Rosolic Acid	0.1
Final pH 7.4 ± 0.2	

#### DESCRIPTION

m-FC AGAR + ROSOLIC ACID is a selective medium used for the isolation and enumeration of faecal coliforms by the membrane filter technique.

#### PRINCIPLE

m-FC AGAR + ROSOLIC ACID contains tryptose and proteose peptone as sources of nitrogen, carbon, vitamins and minerals. Yeast extract supplies B-complex vitamins that stimulate bacterial growth. Bile Salts inhibit the growth of Gram-positive bacteria. Lactose fermentation makes pH of the medium decrease with consequent precipitation of bile salts and turning to blue of the staining. Agar is the solidifying agent.

### PREPARATION

Melt the content of one bottle in a boiling water-bath at 100°C (loosing the caps partially unscrewed) until completely dissolved. Aseptically distribute into Petri dishes. Allow the medium to solidify. Store the plates in tightly closed containers.

#### TECHNIQUE

Membrane Filtration Method

- Filter samples through a sterile membrane to give 20-200 colonies on the membrane surface.
- Transfer the membrane on the agar surface, invert the plates and incubate at 36+/-1°C for 48 hours.
- Count all the colonies, if it is the case with the aid of a low power (10 to 15 magnifications) binocular wide field dissecting microscope.
- Calculate the number of faecal coliforms and report as faecal coliforms per 100 ml.

#### INTERPRETATION of RESULTS

Faecal coliforms cultivate with blue colonies and all other Gram-negative bacteria cultivate with gray or cream colonies.

### STORAGE

15-25°C away from light, until the expiry date 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

- 1. APHA (1985). Standard Methods of the Examination of Water and Wastewater, 16th Edition.
- 2. Gildreich, E.E., H.F. Clarck, C.B. Huff, and L.C.Best (1965). J. Am. Waters Works Ass. 57, 208.





# **PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS**

## NAME

m-FC AGAR + ROSOLIC ACID.

### PRESENTATION

Code 403020 Glass bottles containing 100 ml of medium.

# STORAGE

10-25°C

# PACKAGE

Code	Content	Packaging		
403020	6 bottles x 100 ml	6 bottles in box		

### pH OF THE MEDIUM

 $7.4\pm0.2$ 

### USE

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Refer to technical sheet of the product.

### APPEARANCE OF THE MEDIUM

Cranberry red medium, may have slight precipitates.

### SHELFLIFE

2 years.

### QUALITY CONTROL

- Control of general characteristics, label and print
  Sterility control 7 days at 25 +/- 1°C, in aerobiosis 7 days at 36 +/- 1°C, in aerobiosis
- Microbiological control Inoculum for productivity: 10-100 UFC/ml Inoculum for selectivity: 10<sup>4</sup>-10<sup>5</sup> UFC/ml Inoculum for specificity: ≤ 10<sup>4</sup> UFC/ml Incubation conditions:24+/-2 h at 44.5+/-0.5°C, in aerobiosis

Microorganisms		Growth	Color of colonies
Escherichia coli	ATCC 25922	Good	Blu
Klebsiella pneumoniae	ATCC 13883	Good	Gray
Enterococcus faecalis	ATCC 19433	Inhibited	

# TABLE OF SYMBOLS

Symbol	Meanings
	Manufacturer
REF	Catalogue number
	Use by
<b>1</b>	Temperature limitation
$\otimes$	Do not reuse
Σ	Contains sufficient for <n> tests</n>
- <b>i</b>	Consult accompanying documents
LOT	Batch code
Ψ	Fragile, handle with care



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