

# THTS 001- STERILE SWABS W/ 0.85% SALINE

#### **INTENDED USE**

For propagation of pathogenic cocci and other fastidious associated with blood culture work and allied pathological investigations.

## PRODUCT SUMMARY AND EXPLANATION

0.85% SALINE is used for propagation of bacterial culture, without significant increase in growth.

#### **COMPOSITION**

Ingredients	Concentration		
Distilled water	1000.000ml		
Sodium chloride	8.500 gm		

## **PRINCIPLE**

The sodium chloride concentration in saline (0.85%) provides osmotic protection for microbial cells.

**Note:** The specimen should be inoculated in suitable medium as soon as possible and must not be kept at room temperature for more than 24 hours. Some contaminants may also grow, if specimen is kept for longer period in transport medium.

#### **INSTRUCTION FOR USE**

- 1. Use the medium, provided along with the swab to collect and transport the microbiological sample.
- 2. Collect the sample with the sterile swab and insert the capped swab with the sample till the bottom of the medium. Tighten the cap firmly
- 3. The sample and viability of organism(s) will be maintained during transportation.
- 4. After the transportation, the specimen should be inoculated in proper medium as soon as possible.

## **QUALITY CONTROL SPECIFICATIONS**

**Appearance of medium** : Clear colorless solution

**pH (at 25°C)** :  $7.0 \pm 0.2$ 

Sterility Check : Passes release criteria

#### **INTERPRETATION**

Culture characteristics observed after incubation.

Microorganism	ATCC	Inoculum (CFU/ml)	Recovery on SCDA	Incubation Temperature	Incubation Period
Escherichia coli	25922	50-100	Luxuriant	35 ± 2°C	18 - 24 hours
Staphylococcus aureus	25923	50-100	Luxuriant	35 ± 2°C	18 - 24 hours
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	27853	50-100	Luxuriant	35 ± 2°C	18 - 24 hours

## **PACKAGING:**

In pack size of 10 No.











#### **STORAGE**

On receipt, store ready-to-use disposable swabs in the dark at 10 to 25° C. Avoid freezing and overheating. The medium may be used up to the expiration date and incubated for the recommended incubation times.

Product Deterioration: Do not use product if they show evidence of microbial contamination, discoloration, or any other signs of deterioration.

## **DISPOSAL**

After use, prepared media, specimen/sample containers and other contaminated materials must be sterilized before discarding.

## **REFERENCE**

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NOTE: Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling Practices.

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