

# TM 1849 -TRYPTONE WATER (ISO 7251:1993)

#### **INTENDED USE**

For detection of indole production by coliforms.

## PRODUCT SUMMARY AND EXPLANATION

Tryptone Water is recommended by APHA and ISO Committee for detection of indole production by coliforms, which is a key feature in differentiation of bacteria. The indole test demonstrates the ability of certain bacteria to decompose the amino acid tryptophan to indole which accumulates in the medium. The composition & performance criteria of this medium are as per the specifications laid down in ISO 7251: 1993.

## **COMPOSITION**

Ingredients	Gms / Ltr	
Casein enzymic hydrolysate	20.000	
Sodium chloride	5.000	

#### **PRINCIPLE**

The medium contains Casein enzymic hydrolysate which acts as a good substrate for indole production because of its high tryptophan content. Certain organisms breakdown the amino acid tryptophan with the help of enzymes to produce indole, pyruvic acid and ammonia. The indole produced can be detected by either Kovacs or Ehrlich's reagent. Indole combines with the aldehyde present in the above reagent to give red colour in the alcoholic layer. The alcohol layer extracts and concentrates the red colour complex. Sodium chloride is added to the medium to provide a suitable osmotic environment.

## **INSTRUCTION FOR USE**

- Dissolve 25.00 grams in 1000ml distilled water.
- Gently heat to boiling with swirling to dissolve the medium completely.
- Dispense into tubes.
- Sterilize by autoclaving at 15 psi (121°C) for 15 minutes.

## **QUALITY CONTROL SPECIFICATIONS**

Appearance of Dehydrated powder Cream to yellow colour, homogeneous free flowing powder

Appearance of Prepared medium Yellow coloured, clear solution

pH (at 25°C)  $7.5 \pm 0.2$ 

## INTERPRETATION

Cultural characteristics observed after incubation. Add 0.2-0.3 ml Kovac's indole reagent (TR 008) to each tube after incubation.

Microorganism	ATCC	Inoculum (CFU/ml)	Growth	Indole Reaction	Incubation Temp.	Incubation Period
Escherichia coli	25922	50-100	Luxuriant	Positive reaction (Red ring at the interface of the medium)	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
Enterobacter aerogenes	13048	50-100	Luxuriant	Negative reaction (No colour development / Cloudy ring)	35-37°C	18-24 Hours













Klebsiella pneumoniae	13883 50-100	Luxuriant	Negative reaction (No colour development / Cloudy ring)	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
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## **PACKAGING**

In 100 & 500 gm packaging size.

#### **STORAGE**

Dehydrated powder, hygroscopic in nature, store in a dry place, in tightly-sealed containers below 25°C and protect from direct Sunlight. Under optimal conditions, the medium has a shelf life of 4 years. When the container is opened for the first time, note the time and date on the label space provided on the container. After the desired amount of medium has been taken out replace the cap tightly to protect from hydration.

**Product Deterioration:** Do not use, if powder show evidence of microbial contamination, discoloration, drying, or other signs of deterioration.

#### **DISPOSAL**

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

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

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