

TM 2057 – DRIGALSKI SELECTIVE AGAR

INTENDED USE

For the selective isolation of Enterobacteria from urine stool and other clinical samples on the basis of their ability to ferment lactose.

PRODUCT SUMMARY AND EXPLANATION

Drigalski Selective Agar, is formulated by Ewing, based on the medium developed by Drigalski and Conrad for the detection of enteric pathogens.

COMPOSITION

Ingredients	Gms / Ltr
Peptone	15.000
Yeast Extract	3.000
Meat Extract	3.000
Sodium deoxycholate	1.000
Sodium thiosulphate	1.000
Lactose	15.000
Crystal violet	0.005
Bromothymol blue	0.080
Agar	11.000

PRINCIPLE

The medium consists of lactose which serves as a source of carbon and fermentable carbohydrate. Peptone, yeast extract and meat extract provide nitrogenous nutrients to the organisms. Crystal violet and sodium deoxycholate inhibit the development of gram positive bacteria. Bromothymol blue is the pH indicator in the medium. Lactose fomenters produce acid and thus change the colour to yellow with yellow zones. Lactose non-fermenters develop blue colonies on the medium due to alkalization. Non lactose fermenting gram-negative (enteric) pathogens (Salmonella, Shigella, Proteus, Pseudomonas) form blue to green colonies whereas lactose fermenting coliform organisms (E.coli, Klebsiella , Enterobacter) form yellow colonies due to acid production and decrease in pH.

INSTRUCTION FOR USE

- Dissolve 49.09 grams in 1000 ml purified/distilled water.
- Heat to boiling to dissolve the medium completely.
- Sterilize by autoclaving at 15 psi pressure (121°C) for 15 minutes.
- Mix well and pour into sterile Petri plates.

QUALITY CONTROL SPECIFICATIONS

Appearance of Powder : Light yellow to greenish yellow homogeneous free flowing powder, may have

slight dve particles.

Appearance of prepared medium : Green coloured, clear to slightly opalescent gel forms in Petri plates.

pH (at 25°C) $: 7.4 \pm 0.2$

INTERPRETATION













Cultural characteristics observed after incubation.

Microorganism	ATCC	Inoculum (CFU/ml)	Growth	Recovery	Colour of colony	Incubation Temperature	Incubation Period
Klebsiella pneumoniae	13883	50-100	Good- luxuriant	>=50%	Yellow, mucoid	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
Escherichia coli	25922	50-100	Luxuriant	>=70%	Yellow	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
Salmonella Typhi	6539	50-100	Luxuriant	>=70%	Blue to green	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
Shigella flexneri	12022	50-100	Luxuriant	>=70%	Blue to green	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	27853	50-100	Good	>=50%	Blue to green	35-37°C	18-24 Hours

PACKAGING:

In pack size of 500 gm bottles.

Dehydrated powder, hygroscopic in nature, store in a dry place, in tightly-sealed containers between 25-30°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 they show evidence of microbial contamination, discoloration, drying or any other signs of deterioration.

DISPOSAL

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

REFERENCES

- 1. Ewing, 1986, Edwards and Ewing's identifications of the Enterobacteriaceae, 4th Ed. Elsevier Science Piblishing CO., Inc. New York.
- 2. Drigalski V. and Conrad H., 1902, Z. Hyg. Infektionskr., 39:283.







































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

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