

# TMV 1628 - UNIVERSAL BEER AGAR (UB AGAR) (VEG.)

### **INTENDED USE**

For culturing microorganisms having significance in brewing industry.

### PRODUCT SUMMARY AND EXPLANATION

Universal Beer Veg Agar is prepared by replacing Peptonized milk by Veg Hydrolysate No.3 which is free from BSE/TSE risks. This medium is the modification of Universal Beer Agar which is designed according to the formula developed by Kozulis and Page for culturing microorganisms which are significant in the brewing industry. Beer is added to the medium to stimulate the growth of beer spoilage organisms, thereby increasing the selectivity of the medium. Beer contains hop constituents and ethyl alcohol which eliminates many airborne contaminants and thus help in minimizing false positive results. Universal Beer Veg Agar supports growth of Lactobacillus, *Pediococcus, Acetobacter* and yeast strains which may be found contaminating the wort and beer.

### **COMPOSITION**

Ingredients	Gms / Ltr		
Veg hydrolysate No. 3	15.000		
Yeast extract	6.100		
Dextrose	16.100		
Tomato juice	12.200		
Dipotassium phosphate	0.310		
Monopotassium phosphate	0.310		
Magnesium sulphate	0.120		
Sodium chloride	0.006		
Ferrous sulphate	0.006		
Manganese sulphate	0.006		
Agar	12.000		

# **PRINCIPLE**

Veg hydrolysate No.3, yeast extract, dextrose and salts provide all essential growth nutrients. Tomato juice gives acidic environment and is also a source of carbon, protein. Phosphate provides the buffering system to the medium. Magnesium sulfate, ferrous sulphate and manganese sulphate are the sources of ions that stimulate metabolism. The organisms which survive or grow in wort and beer during beer manufacturing can be recovered due to this particular composition of the medium.

### **INSTRUCTION FOR USE**

- Dissolve 62.15 grams in 750 ml of distilled water.
- Heat to boiling to dissolve the medium completely. Add 250 ml beer, without degassing, to the hot medium and mix gently.
- Dispense as desired and sterilize by autoclaving at 15 psi pressure (121°C) for 10 minutes.
- If required, add 1 mcg/ml of Cycloheximide to sterile medium prior to dispensing.

# **QUALITY CONTROL SPECIFICATIONS**















**Appearance of Powder** : Light yellow coloured, may have slightly greenish tinge, homogeneous, free flowing

powder.

**Appearance of prepared medium**: Medium amber coloured clear to slightly opalescent gel forms in Petri plates.

**pH (at 25°C)** : 6.3±0.2

### **INTERPRETATION**

Cultural characteristics observed after an incubation.

Microorganism	ATCC	Inoculum (CFU/ml)	Growth	Recovery	Incubation Temperature	Incubation Period
Acinetobacter calcoaceticus	23055	50-100	Good- luxuriant	>=70%	35°C	40-48 Hours
Lactobacillus acidophilus	4356	50-100	Good- luxuriant	>=70%	35°C	40-48 Hours
Lactobacillus fermentum	9338	50-100	Good- luxuriant	>=70%	35°C	40-48 Hours
Proteus vulgaris	13315	50-100	Fair-good	20-30 %	35°C	40-48 Hours

### **PACKAGING:**

In pack size of 100 gm bottles.

### **STORAGE**

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**

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**NOTE:** Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling Practices. \*For Lab Use Only Revision: 08 Nov., 2019







