

Specification

Broth for the selctive enrichment of *Listeria monocytogenes*

Presentation

10 Prepared bottles
Bottles 250 ml
with: 225 ± 5 ml

Packaging Details

1 box with 10 bottles 250 ml. White thermo resistant polypropylene cap.

Shelf Life

12 months

Storage

2-25°C

Composition

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Peptone from meat.....	5.0000
Casein Peptone.....	5.0000
Yeast extract.....	5.0000
Meat extract.....	5.0000
Sodium chloride.....	20.000
Disodium phosphate.....	12.000
Monopotassium phosphate.....	1.3500
Esculin.....	1.0000
Lithium chloride.....	3.0000
Ammonium ironIII citrate.....	0.5000
Nalidixic ac.....	0.0200
Acriflavine.....	0.0250

Description /Technique

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This broth base for *Listeria* enrichment is according to the modifications made to the University of Vermont Medium (UVM) by Fraser and Sparber. This formulation has been adopted by the USDA-FSIS. The inclusion of lithium chloride inhibits the development of enterococci which can also hydrolyze esculin in the same way as *Listeria*. Any blackening of the medium produced by the reaction of esculetin due to esculin hydrolysis, with iron present in the medium, can be taken as presumptive *Listeria*. The ferric citrate also helps with the development of *L. monocytogenes*.

Fraser Broth is used according to EN ISO 11290-1 for the detection of *Listeria*.

Technique

For the inoculation of bottles, follow the standard laboratory method or the applicable norms, (Stab inoculation, loop inoculation, dilution banks , etc ...)

The use methodology is described in the EN ISO 11290.

Although some authors use Fraser Broth as the only enrichment medium, it has been verified than better results are obtained if it is employed as a secondary enrichment step, according to the following methodology:

- Inoculate the sample in a primary enrichment broth or Lovett Broth, and incubate for 18-24 hours.
- Take aliquots of 0,1 mL, and inoculate them in tubes with 10 mL of Fraser Broth and incubate for 24-28 hours.
- Tubes that blacken are considered presumptively positive and must be sub-cultured on isolation and confirmation solid media, such as Oxford Agar Base , Palcam Agar Base or *Listeria* Selective Agar according to Ottaviani & Agosti. Tubes that remain clear are considered negative and can be discarded or incubated for a further 24 hours if in doubt.

According to the standards used, or the samples to be analyzed, may be used different incubation times or temperatures.

Quality control**Physical/Chemical control**Color : Brown-yellowish pH: 7.2 ± 0.2 at 25°C **Microbiological control**Inoculate: Practical range 100 ± 20 CFU; Min. 50 CFU (Productivity)/ 10^4 - 10^6 (Selectivity).

Microbiological control according to ISO 11133:2014/ Adm 1:2018.

Aerobiosis. Incubation at $37 \pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$, reading after $24/44 \pm 4\text{h}$ **Microorganism***Escherichia coli* ATCC® 8739 (1)*Enterococcus faecalis* ATCC® 19433 (2)*Listeria monocytogenes* ATCC® 13932, WDCM 00021 + (1) + (2)*Listeria monocytogenes* ATCC® 35152, WDCM 00109 + (1) + (2)**Growth**Inhibited. Confirm in TSA at $37^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 1$ reading $24 \pm 3\text{h}$ Partial Inhibition. Confirm in TSA at $37^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 1$ reading $24 \pm$ ≥ 10 CFU. Blue-green coln. w. opaque halo (Ottaviani ≥ 10 CFU. Blue-green coln. w. opaque halo (Ottaviani**Sterility Control**Incubation 48 hours at 30 - 35°C and 48 hours at 20 - 25°C : NO GROWTH

Check at 7 days after incubation in same conditions

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