

Minimum Essential Media w/ Earle's Salts w/ Stable Glutamine

CAT N° : L0416

Theoretical pH : 7.3 ± 0.3

Osmolality : 302 mOsm/kg $\pm 10\%$

Colour : Red, orange solution

Storage conditions : +2°C to +8°C, protected from light.

Shelf life : 24 months

Sterility tests :

- Bacteria in aerobic and anaerobic conditions
- Fungi and yeasts

Endotoxin : < 1 EU/ml

Cell growth test :

Medium tested for the ability to support L929 cell growth.

Composition : Displayed on the website; also available on request.

Recommended use :

- Respect storage conditions of the product
- Do not use the product after its expiry date
- Store product in an area protected from light (not necessary for saline solutions).
- Manipulate the product in aseptic conditions (e.g. : under laminar air flow)
- Wear clothes adapted to the manipulation of the product to avoid contamination (e.g. : gloves, mask, hygiene cap, overall...)

The product is intended to be used in vitro, in laboratory only. Do not use it in therapy, human or veterinary applications.

Description :

Minimum Essential Medium (MEM) with Earle's Balanced Salts is a modification of Eagle's earlier medium Basal Medium Eagle (BME), containing higher concentrations of the essential nutrients. These media have demonstrated the ability to support a variety of normal and transformed cells in culture and contain Earle's Balanced Salts, which make them suitable for use in atmospheres charged with CO₂ gas.

The stable Glutamine prevents the intramolecular cyclization reaction associated with solutions of L-Glutamine. This derivative is therefore stable in solution and allows the formulation of cell culture media containing L-Glutamine that may be stored between +2°C to +8°C for extended periods. The dipeptide is metabolized within the cells to yield L-Glutamine plus a second amino acid.

Uses :

Supplements, such as antibiotics, should be added as sterile supplements to the medium.

Storage conditions and shelf-life of supplemented product will be affected by the nature of the supplements. Sterile serum should not be refiltered before or after being added to sterile medium because growth promoting capacity may be reduced upon re-filtration.

Signs of Deterioration :

Medium should be clear and free of particulate and flocculent material. Do not use if medium is cloudy or contains precipitate.

Other evidence of deterioration may include colour change or degradation of physical or performance characteristics.