

Hank's Balanced Salts

w/o Calcium w/o Magnesium w/o Sodium Bicarbonate w/o Phenol Red

CAT N° : P0153**Theoretical pH** : 6.6 ± 0.3 **Osmolality** : 275 mOsm/kg $\pm 10\%$ **Colour** : off-white powder**Storage conditions** : Room Temperature**Shelf life** : 48 months**Endotoxin** : < 1 EU/ml**Composition** : Displayed on website and in catalogue; also available on request**Recommended use** :

- Respect storage conditions of the product
 - Do not use the product after its expiry date
 - Store the product in a dry area
 - Wear clothes adapted to the manipulation of the product to avoid contamination (e.g. : gloves, mask, hygiene cap, overall...)
 - Protect the product from any form of humidity
 - Use, in one time, after opening, the entire quantity of product of the container, without making a concentrated solution (to avoid the formation of precipitates). If it is not possible, close the container immediately after sampling the quantity of powder required.
 - Supplements can be added prior to sterile filtration of the medium or aseptically introduced to sterile medium (respect the final concentration of the media). The nature of the supplements may affect storage conditions and shelf life of the medium.
- The product is intended to be used *in vitro*, in laboratory only. Do not use it in therapy, human or veterinary applications.

Application :

Hanks' Balanced Salt Solution (HBSS) is intended for use in the maintenance of mammalian cells where a chemically defined, balanced salt solution provides an environment that will maintain the structural and physiological integrity of cells *in vitro*. Hanks' Salts are designed for short term maintenance of cells in ambient (non CO₂) atmospheric conditions.

Preparation instructions :

- 1) Measure out 90% of final required volume of water. Water temperature should be 15-20°C.
- 2) While gently stirring the water, add the powdered medium (9.508 g/l). Stir until dissolved. Do not heat.
- 3) Rinse original package with a small amount of water to remove all traces of powder. Add to solution in step 2.
- 4) To the solution in step 3, add 0.35g of sodium bicarbonate (CAT N° : P2060) or 4.7ml of sodium bicarbonate solution (7.5% w/v) (CAT N° : L0680) for each liter of final volume of medium being prepared. Stir until dissolved.
- 5) While stirring, adjust the pH of the medium to 0.1-0.3 pH units below the desired pH since it may rise during filtration. The use of 1 N HCl or 1 N NaOH is recommended.

- 6) Add additional water to bring the solution to final volume.
- 7) Sterilize immediately by filtration using a membrane with a porosity of 0.22 microns.
- 8) Aseptically dispense medium into sterile container.

Indications of deterioration :

Dry powder medium should be free flowing. Do not use if powder caked. Prepared medium should be cleared of particulates and flocculent material. Do not use if liquid medium is cloudy or contains precipitate. Other evidence of deterioration may include colour change or degradation of physical or performance characteristics.

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