

# **Technical Data**

## **Sporulation Broth**

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Sporulation Broth is used for promoting sporulation in Bacillus subtilis .

## Composition\*\*

Ingredients	Gms / Litre
Peptic digest of animal tissue	6.000
Casein enzymic hydrolysate	4.000
Yeast extract	3.000
Beef extract	1.500
Dextrose	1.000
Manganous sulphate	0.300
Final pH ( at 25°C)	$6.6 \pm 0.2$

<sup>\*\*</sup>Formula adjusted, standardized to suit performance parameters

### **Directions**

Suspend 15.8 grams in 1000 ml distilled water. Mix thoroughly. Heat if necessary to ensure complete solution. Dispense as desired. Sterilize by autoclaving at 15 lbs pressure (121°C) for 20 minutes.

## **Principle And Interpretation**

Sporulation Broth was originally developed by Arret and Kirshbaum for the detection of antibiotic residues in milk and milk products (1). The medium is specified for the preparation of spores, by APHA, for disc assay procedure for the detection of sulfa drugs and antibiotics in milk (2).

Peptic digest of animal tissue and beef extract provide nitrogen, sulphur and amino acids and essential trace ingredients. Yeast extract is a rich source of vitamin B; dextrose is the energy source. Suspensions containing large numbers of bacterial spores are obtained using Sporulation Broth.

A fresh slant culture of *Bacillus subtilis* is washed with sterile physiological saline onto the surface of Roux bottles containing 300 ml sterile medium. The bottles are incubated at 35°C for 5 days and the resulting growth is suspended into 50 ml of sterile physiological saline. The growth is washed by centrifuging the suspension and discarding the supernatant. The sediment obtained is re-suspended in fresh sterile saline and heated at 70°C for 30 minutes to kill vegetative cells and obtain the spore suspension. This spore suspension can be stored for months for use in detection of penicillin/ antibiotic residues in milk and dairy products (2).

## **Quality Control**

#### **Appearance**

Cream to light yellow homogeneous free flowing powder

## Colour and Clarity of prepared medium

Yellow coloured clear solution without any precipitate

#### Reaction

Reaction of 1.58% w/v aqueous solution at 25°C. pH: 6.6±0.2

#### pН

6.40-6.80

#### **Cultural Response**

M1018: Cultural characteristics observed after an incubation at 35-37°C for 5 days.

Organism Inoculum Growth Spore (CFU) formation

#### **Cultural Response**

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Bacillus pumilus ATCC 50-100 luxuriant positive

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Bacillus subtilis ATCC 6633 50-100 luxuriant positive

## **Storage and Shelf Life**

Store below 30°C in tightly closed container and the prepared medium at 2 - 8°C. Use before expiry date on the label.

#### Reference

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