# **CATC AGAR BASE**

A selective medium for the detection of enterococci.

Dehydrated media		
Code number:	500 g: CAT20500, 5 kg: CAT25000	
Colour:	Yellowish	
Appearance:	Homogeneous hygroscopic powder	
pH before sterilization (25 °C):	6,8 - 7,2	

**Direction:** Suspend **28,5 g** in 500 ml of distilled water and heat with frequent agitation until the medium boils well. Cool to 50 °C and add aseptically **10 drops (0,5 ml) of TTC Solution, Sterile (TTC80030)**. Mix well before pouring.

### Warning!

The medium is heat sensitive. No further sterilisation is necessary or desirable.

Prepared media		
Bottled media bases:	100 ml: CAT30100, 500 ml: CAT30500	
Plated media:	55 mm: CAT50055, 90 mm: CAT50090	
Colour:	Yellowish	
pH (25 °C):	6,9 - 7,1	

**Direction:** Supplement the melted bottled media bases according to the direction of the dehydrated media and dispense aseptically into sterile Petri-dishes. Media in Petri-dishes are ready to use.

## FORMULA in g/l

Tryptone	17,00
Peptones	20,6
Sodium citrate	15,0
Sodium carbonate	2,0
Sodium azide	0,4
TWEEN 80	1,0
Buffers	5,0
Agar	13,0

Note: The typical formula can be adjusted to obtain optimal performance.

**Storage conditions:** Store the dehydrated media tightly closed in a dry place at room temperature. Store the bottled media protected from light at room temperature. Store the plated media protected from light at 2-8 °C. Use before the expiry date on the label.

### **Quality control:**

Test strains	Incubation temp: 37 °C	Growth	Incubation time: 48 h
Enterococcus faecalis	ATCC 29212	Good, ferruginous colonies	
Escherichia coli	ATCC 25922	Inhibited	

References: Burkwall and Hartman (1964) Appl. Microbiol. 12: 18.

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