

ChromoBio® CEREUS

A selective and differential chromogenic medium for the detection of *Bacillus cereus*.

| Dehydrated media | | |
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| Code number: | 500 g: CER20500, 5 kg: CER25000 | |
| Packaging of 500 g: | 500 g agar base + 30 vials supplement | |
| Packaging of 5 kg: | 5 kg agar base + 300 vials supplement | |
| Appearance of agar base: | Yellowish, homogeneous hygroscopic powder | |
| Appearance of supplement: | Yellowish, homogeneous sterile powder | |
| pH before autoclaving (25 °C): | 7,0 - 7,4 | |

Direction: Suspend **16,5 g** in 450 ml of distilled water and heat with frequent agitation until the medium boils well. Sterilise by autoclaving at 121 °C for 15 minutes.

In the meantime add 50 ml of sterile distilled water to **one bottle of Cereus Supplement**. Mix well and soak the suspension about one hour – repeating the mixing a few times - until the lecithin dissolves completely. The ready supplement is homogeneous turbid, but exempt from any precipitate.

Cool the agar base to 50 °C and add aseptically the supplement. Mix well before pouring. To ensure the complete homogeneity repeat the mixing a few times during the pouring again.

| Bottled media | | | | |
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| Code number: | 100 ml: CER30100, 500 ml: CER30500 | | | |
| Packaging of 100 ml bottled media: | 90 ml agar base + 1 vial supplement | | | |
| Packaging of 500 ml bottled media: | 450 ml agar base + 1 vial supplement | | | |
| Appearance of agar base: | Yellowish, transparent gel | | | |
| Appearance of supplement: | Yellowish, homogeneous sterile powder | | | |
| pH (25 °C): | 7,1 - 7,3 | | | |

Direction: Supplement the melted bottled media bases according to the direction of the dehydrated media and dispense aseptically into sterile Petri-dishes.

| Plated media | | | |
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| Code number: | 55 mm: CER50055, 90 mm: CER50090 | | |
| Appearance of plated media: | Yellowish, homogeneous turbid gel | | |
| рН (25 °C): | 7,1 - 7,3 | | |

Direction: Media in Petri-dishes are ready to use.

FORMULA FOR ONE LITRE OF COMPLETE MEDIUM in g/l

| Peptones | 18,0 |
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| Chromogenic substrate | 2,0 |
| Differential supplement | 4,0 |
| Antibiotics | 0,1 |
| 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 supplements and 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: 24 h |
|-------------------|------------------------|---|-----------------------|
| Bacillus cereus | ATCC 11778 | Good, blue colonies with opaque halo | |
| Bacillus subtilis | ATCC 6633 | Partially inhibited, blue colonies without halo | |
| Escherichia coli | ATCC 25922 | Inhibited | |

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