

## DEOXYCHOLATE CITRATE AGAR, PH EUR

A selective and differential medium for the isolation of Gram-negative enteric micro-organisms according to PH EUR (Agar Medium J).

| Dehydrated media                 |                                 |  |  |  |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Code number:                     | 500 g: DCE20500, 5 kg: DCE25000 |  |  |  |
| Colour:                          | Beige                           |  |  |  |
| Appearance:                      | Homogeneous hygroscopic powder  |  |  |  |
| pH before sterilization (25 °C): | 7,1 – 7,5                       |  |  |  |

**Direction:** Suspend **70 g** in one litre of distilled water and heat with frequent agitation until the medium boils well. Mix well before pouring.

## Warning!

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

| Prepared media |                                    |  |  |  |
|----------------|------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Bottled media: | 100 ml: DCE30100, 500 ml: DCE30500 |  |  |  |
| Plated media:  | 55 mm: DCE50055, 90 mm: DCE50090   |  |  |  |
| Colour:        | Brownish                           |  |  |  |
| pH (25 °C):    | 7,2 – 7,4                          |  |  |  |

**Direction:** Dispense the melted bottled media aseptically into sterile Petri-dishes. Media in Petri-dishes are ready to use.

## FORMULA in g/l

| Meat peptone        | 10,00 |
|---------------------|-------|
| Beef extract        | 10,00 |
| Lactose monohydrate | 10,00 |
| Sodium citrate      | 20,00 |
| Sodium deoxycholate | 5,00  |
| Ferric citrate      | 1,00  |
| Neutral red         | 0,02  |
| Agar                | 14,00 |

**Note:** The typical composition 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: 24 h |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|---|-----------------------|
| Escherichia coli ATCC 25922       |                        | Partially inhibited, rose-red colonies      |                       |
| Salmonella typhimurium ATCC 14028 |                        | Good, colourless colonies with black centre |                       |
| Proteus mirabilis                 | ATCC 29906             | Inhibited                                   |                       |
| Enterococcus faecalis             | ATCC 29212             | Inhibited                                   |                       |

References: European Pharmacopoeia

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