

## CM 20607 – DNASE TEST AGAR W/ TOLUIDINE BLUE (VEG.)

### INTENDED USE

For the detection of deoxyribonuclease activity of microorganisms and for identification of staphylococci.

### PRODUCT SUMMARY AND EXPLANATION

This medium is prepared by using Veg Hydrolysate No.1 which is free from BSE/TSE risks. DNase Test Agar (Veg) is the modification of DNase Test Agar which is used for detecting deoxyribonuclease activity of bacteria and fungi and particularly for identification of pathogenic Staphylococci. With toluidine blue, it is used in differentiation and identification of non-pigmented Serratia species isolated from clinical sources that might be improperly identified as Enterobacter and Klebsiella species. DNase activity was observed by Weckman and Catlin in Micrococci and found the correlation with coagulase activity as coagulase positive species were DNase positive. Di Salvo confirmed the results of Weckman and Catlin and observed accurate correlation of DNase and coagulase activity. In his experiment Di Salvo incorporated DNA and calcium chloride to activate DNase enzyme. DNase medium was modified by adding toluidine blue by Schreier. Modified medium achieved faster identification of Serratia marcescens and could differentiate Serratia from other members of the Enterobacteriaceae.

### COMPOSITION

Ingredients	Gms / Ltr
Veg hydrolysate No. 1	20.000
Deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA)	2.000
Sodium chloride	5.000
Toluidine blue	0.100
Agar	15.000

### PRINCIPLE

The medium consists of Veg Hydrolysate No.1 provide essential nutrients. DNase depolymerizes the DNA resulting in production of bright pink zones surrounding growth due to the metachromatic property of toluidine blue. Some strains of Staphylococci may be inhibited on DNase Test Agar due to toluidine blue. Further confirmatory tests for the identification should be carried out.

### INSTRUCTION FOR USE

- Dissolve 42.10 grams in 1000 ml purified/distilled water.
- Heat to boiling with frequent agitation to dissolve the medium completely.
- Sterilize by autoclaving at 15 psi pressure (121°C) for 15 minutes. Cool to 45°C.
- Mix well and pour in sterile Petri plates.

### QUALITY CONTROL SPECIFICATIONS

Appearance of Powder	: Light yellow coloured w/ bluish tinge, homogeneous, free flowing powder
Appearance of prepared medium	: Greenish blue coloured clear to slightly opalescent gel forms in petri plates.
pH (at 25°C)	: 7.3 ± 0.2

### INTERPRETATION

Cultural characteristics observed after incubation.



Microorganism	ATCC	Inoculum (CFU/ml)	Growth	Recovery	DNase Activity	Incubation Temperature	Incubation Period
Serratia marcescens	8100	50-100	Luxuriant	>70%	Pink to red zone surrounding growth	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
Staphylococcus aureus	25923	50-100	Luxuriant	>70%	Pink to red zone surrounding growth	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
Staphylococcus epidermidis	12228	50-100	Luxuriant	>70%	No colour change surrounding growth	35-37°C	18-24 Hours
Streptococcus pyogenes	19615	50-100	Luxuriant	>70%	Pink to red zone surrounding growth	35-37°C	18-24 Hours

**PACKAGING:**

In pack size of 100 gm bottles.

**STORAGE**

Dehydrated powder, hygroscopic in nature, store in a dry place, in tightly-sealed containers between 2-8°C and protect from direct sunlight. Under optimal conditions, the medium has a shelf life of 4 years. When the container is opened for the first time, note the time and date on the label space provided on the container. After the desired amount of medium has been taken out replace the cap tightly to protect from hydration.





Product Deterioration: Do not use if they show evidence of microbial contamination, discoloration, drying or any other signs of deterioration.

**DISPOSAL**

After use, prepared plates, specimen/sample containers and other contaminated materials must be sterilized before discarding.

**REFERENCES**

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 Temperature Unit	 EC REP Authorized Representative <small>MedNet GmbH Birkstrasse 10, 48153 Münster, Germany</small>	 European Conformity	 QR Code	 Consults Instructions for Use	 Best Before

NOTE: Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling Practices.

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