

Technical Data Sheet

ReadyTube™ 225 Half (Demi) Fraser Broth acc. ISO 11290

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For the primary selective enrichment of *Listeria* spp. from food and animal feed as well as from environmental samples and other materials.

This culture medium complies with the specifications given by EN ISO 11290 and APHA.

Mode of Action

The high nutrient content and the large buffer capacity creates optimum growth conditions for *Listeria*. The growth of accompanying bacteria is largely inhibited by lithium chloride, nalidixic acid and acriflavine hydrochloride. The detection of the β -D-glucosidase activity is possible by the addition of aesculin and ammonium iron(III) citrate forming a black complex of aesculin iron(III) ions. But this reaction is not exclusive to *Listeria* spp., so that following EN ISO 11290-1, every primary and secondary enrichment in Fraser broth has to be sub-cultured on selective plating media.

Typical Composition

Specified by ISO 11290		ReadyTube™ 225 Half Fraser	
Enzymatic Digest of Animal Tissues	5 g/l	Enzymatic Digest of Animal Tissues	5 g/l
Enzymatic Digest of Casein	5 g/l	Enzymatic Digest of Casein	5 g/l
Meat Extract	5 g/l	Meat Extract	5 g/l
Yeast Extract	5 g/l	Yeast Extract	5 g/l
NaCl	20 g/l	NaCl	20 g/l
Na ₂ HPO ₄ x 2 H ₂ O	12 g/l	Na ₂ HPO ₄ x 2 H ₂ O	12 g/l
KH ₂ PO ₄	1.35 g/l	KH ₂ PO ₄	1.35 g/l
Aesculin	1 g/l	Aesculin	1 g/l
LiCl	3 g/l	LiCl	3 g/l
Acriflavine Hydrochloride	0.0125 g/l	Acriflavine Hydrochloride	0.0125 g/l
Nalidixic Acid Sodium Salt	0.01 g/l	Nalidixic Acid Sodium Salt	0.01 g/l
Ammonium Iron (III) Citrate	0.5 g/l	Ammonium Iron (III) Citrate	0.5 g/l
Water	1000 ml/l	Water	1000 ml/l
pH at 25 °C	7.2 ± 0.2	pH at 25 °C	7.2 ± 0.2

Application and Interpretation

Depend on the purpose for which the medium is used. Incubate for the primary enrichment step the inoculated Half Fraser broth under aerobic conditions, e.g. acc. to EN ISO 11290-1 at 29-31 °C for 22-26 h.

Transfer 0.1 ml material from the resulting culture (regardless of its color) to the secondary enrichment culture medium, e.g. 10 ml Fraser broth, following the method given EN ISO 11290-1.

Incubate for the secondary enrichment step the inoculated Fraser broth under aerobic conditions, e.g. acc. to EN ISO 11290-1 at 36-38 °C for 46-50 h.

Storage and Shelf Life

The product can be used for sampling until the expiry date if stored upright, protected from light and properly sealed at +2 °C to +8 °C.

The testing procedures as described on the CoA can be started up to the expiry date printed on the label.

Disposal

Please mind the respective regulations for the disposal of used culture medium (e.g. autoclave for 20 min at 121 °C, disinfect, incinerate etc.).

Quality Control for Pharma

Function	Control strains	Incubation	Method of control	Criteria	Expected results
Productivity	<i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> 1/2a ATCC 35152 + <i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 25922 + <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> ATCC 29212	22-26 h at 29-31 °C	Qualitative	>10 colonies on Agar Listeria according to Ottaviani and Agosti	Blue-green colonies with opaque halo
	<i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> 4b ATCC 13932 + <i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 8739 + <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> ATCC 19433				

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Function	Control strains	Incubation	Method of control	Criteria	Expected results	
Selectivity	<i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 8739	22-26 h at 29-31 °C	Qualitative	Total inhibition on Tryptic Soy Agar (TSA)	-	
	<i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 25922			< 100 colonies on Tryptic Soy Agar (TSA)		
	<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> ATCC 19433					
	<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> ATCC 29212					

Please refer to the actual batch related Certificate of Analysis.

The performance test is in accordance with the current version of EN ISO 11133

Literature

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ISO International Standardisation Organisation. Microbiology of food, animal feed and water - Preparation, production, storage and performance testing of culture media. EN ISO 11133:2014.

Ordering Information

Product	Cat. No.	Pack size	Other pack sizes available
ReadyTube™ 225 Half Fraser ISO 11290	1.46476.0006	6 x 225 ml	
ReadyTube™ 10 Fraser ISO 11290	1.46208.0020	20 x 10 ml	100 x 10 ml
ReadyPlate™ CHROM Listeria Agar ISO 11290	1.46186.0020	20 x 90 mm	100 x 90 mm
GranuCult™ Half Fraser Broth (Base) with Antibiotics ISO 11290	1.00025.0500	500 g	
GranuCult™ Fraser Broth (Base) with Antibiotics ISO 11290	1.10398.0500	500 g	
FRASER Listeria Selective Supplement	1.00093.0010	10 x 1 vial	
FRASER Listeria Ammonium Iron (III) Supplement	1.00092.0010	10 x 1 vial	
ReadyTube™ 9 BPW ISO 6579, 6887, 21528	1.46142.0020	20 x 9 ml	6 x 225 ml, 6 x 1000 ml,
Chromocult® Listeria Agar Enrichment Supplement	1.00439.0010	10 x 1 vial	
Chromocult® Listeria Agar Selective Supplement	1.00432.0010	10 x 1 vial	
Chromocult® Listeria Agar (Base) acc OTTAVIANI and AGOSTI ISO 11290	1.00427.0500	500 g	

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