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Product Information

08105 Buffered Peptone Water, ISO (Pepton Water, buffered, ISO; Tryptone Phosphate Water, ISO; BPW, ISO)

For the non-selective pre-enrichment of bacteria, in particular pathogenic members of the Enterobacteriaceae (sublethal damaged), from food and other material.

Composition:

Ingredients	Grams/Litre
Enzymatic digest of casein	10.0
Sodium chloride	5.0
Disodium hydrogen phosphate (anhydrous)	3.5*
Potassium dihydrogen phosphate	1.5
Final pH 7.0 +/- 0.2 at 25°C	

^{*}equivalent to 9.0g of disodium hydrogen phosphate dodecahydrate

Store prepared media below 8°C, protected from direct light. Store dehydrated powder, in a dry place, in tightly-sealed containers at 2-25°C.

Appearance: Light yellow coloured, homogeneous, free flowing powder. Colour and Clarity: Light yellow coloured, clear solution without any precipitate.

Directions:

Suspend 20 g in 1 litre of distilled water. Mix well and distribute into final containers. Sterilize by autoclaving at 121°C for 15 minutes.

Principle and Interpretation:

Edel and Kampelmacher (1) noted that sublethal injury to *Salmonellae* may occur in many food preservation processes. Enriching injured cells in Lactose broth (pH 6.9) may be further detrimental to their recovery (2). Buffered Peptone Water (ISO) is a pre-enrichment medium for the isolation of *Salmonella* species from food and other samples. The pre-enrichment gives the sub-lethal damaged Salmonella time to repair and to proliferate (3). This step is needed if low numbers of bacteria are expected and to improve the recovery rate.

After the pre-enrichment step it is recommended to use a selective enrichment step with Müller Kauffmann Tetrathionate Broth (Cat. No. 43052) and Rappaport Vassiliadis Broth, modified (Cat. No. 17173).

According ISO the specimen is inoculated 1:10 in Buffered Peptone Water (ISO) and incubate at 37°C for 16-20 hours (1). Transfer 10 ml from this medium to 100 ml of Tetrathionate Broth and incubate at 43°C for 24 - 48 hours and then subculture on selective XLD Agar (Cat. No. 95586). Examine the plates for colonies of Salmonella species.

Cultural characteristics after 24 hours at 37°C

Organisms (ATCC)	Growth
Salmonella serotype Enteritidis (13076)	+++
Salmonella serotype Typhi (19430)	+++
Salmonella serotype Typhimurium (14028)	+++

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