

## Specification

Solid selective culture medium for the screening of staphylococci from a variety of samples, according to ISO standards.

## Presentation

20 Prepared plates

90 mm

with: 20 ± 2 g

## Packaging Details

1 box with 2 cellophane bags with 10 plates/bag

## Composition

Formula in g/l

Tryptone.....	10,0
Sodium pyruvate.....	10,0
Glycine.....	12,0
Meat extract.....	5,0
Lithium chloride.....	5,0
Yeast extract.....	1,0
Agar.....	17,0
Fibrinogen.....	5,00
Trypsine Inhibitor.....	0,025
Potassium tellurite.....	0,025
Rabbit plasma.....	25,0 ml

Final pH 7,0 ±0,2 at 25°C

## Description

Baird Parker Agar is recommended for the detection and enumeration of staphylococci in food and other material, since it allows a good differentiation of coagulase-positive strains. The growth of the accompanying bacteria is usually suppressed by the high concentration in lithium, glycine and pyruvate. Lithium and glycine enhances the growth of staphylococci. Occasionally the medium may grow some *Bacillus* species, yeast and very rarely, *Proteus*.

## Usage instructions

In the "Basic Techniques" section found in "Handbook of Microbiological Culture Media" Scharlau Microbiology (Ed.N ° .11), the basic principles for the inoculation of culture media is described as a guide for the technician carrying out this procedure for the first time . For plate inoculation follow the laboratories standard methods or the applicable norms (spiral plating method, econometric methods, streak plating, dilution banks, spread plating with drigalsky rod etc ...)

The use methodology is according to EN ISO 6888.

The inoculation is carried out by spreading 0,5 mL of sample over each plate with a Drigalsky loop. After 18-24 hours of incubation at 35°C, select the colonies which are black, shiny and convex with regular margins surrounded by a clear zone. These can be presumptly identified as coagulase-positive *Staphylococcus aureus*.

Colonial appearance after 24 hours at 35±2°C:

- *Staphylococcus aureus*: Black, shiny, convex, regular margins, 1,0-1,5 mm diameter, surrounded by an opacity halo 2-5 mm in width.

Wide opaque zones of precipitate extending into the cleared medium may occur after 48 hours.

- *Staphylococcus aureus*: Black, shiny, convex, regular margins, 1,0-1,5 mm diameter, without an opacity halo 2-5 mm in width. Wide

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**Quality control**
**Color :** Pale yellow

**pH:** (at 25 °C) 7,0 ± 0,2

**Incubation temperature:** 35°C ±2,0

**Incubation time:** 24 - 48 h

**Inoculum:** 10-100 CFU (Productivity) // 1.000-10.000 CFU (Selectivity). Spiral Plate Method (ISO/TS 11133-1/2)

**Microorganism**
**Growth**
**Remarks**
*Bacillus subtilis* ATCC 6633

Inhibited

Selectivity

*Escherichia coli* ATCC 8739

Inhibited

Selectivity

*Staphylococcus aureus* ATCC 25923

Productivity &gt; 0.50

Black colonies with opacity halo

*Staphylococcus aureus* ATCC 6538

Productivity &gt; 0.50

Black- grey colonies with opacity halo

*Staphylococcus epidermidis* ATCC 12228

Good

Black colonies without opacity halo

**Sterility Control**

No growth within 48 h and 7 days at 20-25°C and 30-35°C

**Storage/Shelf Life**
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**Storage**

2,5 months

8-14°C

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