

PRODUCT SPECIFICATION

TRYPTONE SOYA AGAR TRIPLE WRAPPED AND IRRADIATED
(CONTACT PLATE)

PO0262D

Typical Formula*

	grams per litre
Tryptone	15.0
Soya peptone	5.0
Sodium chloride	5.0
Agar	15.0

Addition

Agar Technical	5.0
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*Adjusted as required to meet performance standards

Preparation

Suspend Tryptone Soya Agar (40 grams / litre) and Agar Technical (5 grams/ litre) in de-ionised water. Sterilise at 121°C for 15 minutes. Cool and aseptically dispense into 55mm dishes. Label dishes, wrap and label pack. Irradiate at 11.5 – 22.0kGy.

Format

Ten 55mm plates, wrapped in three cellulose-based film wraps. An irradiation indicator sticker is applied, to confirm irradiation status. Each plate is ink-jet printed with (abbreviated) product name, product code, lot number and expiry date.

Labels

Label gives details of product name, product code, recommended storage temperature, lot number and expiry date.

Physical Characteristics

pH	7.3 ± 0.2
Colour	Straw
Clarity	Transparent
Fill weight	13.5 g ± 5 %
Irradiation dose	11.5 – 22.0 kGy

Packaging and presentation

General appearance of packaging and label should be satisfactory. Label data should be correct.

Contamination Check (tests carried out post-irradiation)

Macroscopic examination should show no evidence of microbial growth after incubation at 20 - 25°C and 30 - 35°C for 5 days.

PRODUCT SPECIFICATION**Microbiological Tests Using Optimum Inoculum Dilution**Positive controls**Results after incubation at 30 - 35°C for up to 3 days**

Inoculum 10 - 100 colony forming units

<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	ATCC® 6538	1-3 mm, Straw colonies
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	ATCC® 9027	2-5 mm Straw colonies
<i>Bacillus subtilis</i>	ATCC® 6633	3-9 mm, Irregular, straw colonies
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	ATCC® 8739	3-5 mm, Cream colonies

Results after incubation at 20-25°C up to 3 days

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<i>Candida albicans</i>	ATCC® 10231	2-3 mm, Cream colonies
<i>Aspergillus brasiliensis</i>	ATCC® 16404	10-30 mm, White mycelia, black spores

Colony counts shall be equal to or greater than 50% of the control medium. (Tryptone Soya Agar or Sabouraud Dextrose Agar)

Tested in accordance with the methods described in the current United States pharmacopoeia for the microbiological control and monitoring of aseptic processing environments

Storage conditions

Store away from the light between 2 - 25°C

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