



## Product Information

### TRIBUTYRIN AGAR BASE WITHOUT TRIBUTYRIN

Product Number **T3688**

#### Product Description

Tributyryn Agar Base medium that is supplemented with Tributyrin (T8626) is used for the detection of lipolytic microorganisms such as *Staphylococci*, *Clostridia*, *Flavobacteria* and *Pseudomonas* in foods. The peptic digest of animal tissue and yeast extract provide nutrients to the organisms. Tributyrin degradation by the microorganisms is indicated by clear zones surrounding the lipolytic colonies in the otherwise turbid culture medium. The medium should have a uniformly turbid emulsion for the effectiveness of the culture medium.

#### Components

| Item                           | g/L   |
|--------------------------------|-------|
| Peptic Digest of Animal Tissue | 5.00  |
| Yeast Extract                  | 3.00  |
| Agar                           | 15.00 |

Final pH (at 25 °C): 07.5± 0.2

#### Precautions and Disclaimer

For laboratory use only. Not for drug, household or other uses.

#### Preparation Instructions

Suspend 23 grams of Tributyrin Agar Base in 990 mls of distilled water. Add 10 mls of (T8626) Tributyrin to the medium. Mix and heat to boiling to dissolve the medium completely. Sterilize by autoclaving at 15 lbs. pressure (121 °C) for 15 minutes. Gently shake the flask and each petri plate while pouring in order to maintain a uniform turbidity in the medium.

#### Storage

Store the dehydrated medium at 24 °C and the prepared medium at 2-8 °C.

#### Product Profile

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| Appearance        | Yellow colored, homogeneous, free flowing powder.  |
| Gelling           | Firm.  |
| Color and Clarity | Light yellow colored, opalescent gel with oil droplets forms in petri plates.                      |
| Cultural Response | Cultural characteristics are observed up to 24-48 hours at 35-38 °C, in an appropriate atmosphere. |

| Organisms                      | (ATCC)  | Growth    | Lipase Activity |
|--------------------------------|---------|-----------|-----------------|
| <i>Bacillus subtilis</i>       | (6633)  | luxuriant | +               |
| <i>Escherichia coli</i>        | (25922) | luxuriant | -               |
| <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>   | (25923) | luxuriant | +               |
| <i>Clostridium sporogenes</i>  | (11437) | luxuriant | +               |
| <i>Clostridium perfringens</i> | (12924) | luxuriant | -               |

Key: + = clear zone around colony  
- = absence of zone

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