

## **WATER PLATE COUNT AGAR (ISO)**

BO0055M

# **Typical Formula**

|               | grams per litre |
|---------------|-----------------|
| Tryptone      | 6.0             |
| Yeast extract | 3.0             |
| Agar          | 15.0            |

### **Preparation**

Suspend Water Plate Count Agar (ISO), (24.0 grams / litre) in de-ionised water. Heat to dissolve. Cool and dispense 250ml into final containers, 300ml sirop bottles. Sterilise at 121°C for 15 minutes. When cooled, label each bottle and pack in units of 10 in labelled boxes.

#### **Format**

Ten sirop bottles with screw cap closures in a box.

#### Labels

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

## **Physical Characteristics**

**Physical Tests** 

pH  $7.2 \pm 0.2$ 

Colour Straw Clarity Clear

Fill weight 100.0g + 1.5g

# Packaging and presentation:

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

#### **Sterility Test**

Macroscopic examination should show no evidence of microbial growth after incubation at 20-24°C and 30-34°C for 5 days.

Microbiological Tests Using Optimum Inoculum Dilution, using a pour plate method. (Microbiology is conducted after the agar has been melted by autoclaving at 100°C for 30 minutes, cooled to 45-50°C, then dispensed into Petri dishes containing the test organisms).

# Results after incubation at 20-24°C for 64-72 hours as well as 35-39°C for 40-48 hours

### Positive controls

Inoculum 50-120 colony forming units

Bacillus subtilis ATCC® 6633 (WDCM 00003)3-4 mm, cream colonies.Escherichia coli ATCC® 25922 (WDCM 00013)2-4 mm, cream colonies.Staphylococcus aureus ATCC® 25923 (WDCM 00034)1-2 mm, white colonies.

Colony counts shall be equal to or greater than 70% of the control medium.

## Storage conditions

Store away from the light between  $2 - 10^{\circ}$ C.

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Tested in accordance with ISO 11133:2014.

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