# **MUELLER-HINTON-Broth**

Media proposed by MUELLER and HINTON (1941) for testing the sensitivity of clinically important pathogens towards antibiotics or sulfonamides.



in vitro diagnosticum – For professional use only



These culture media comply with the requirements of the WHO (1961, 1977) and DIN Norm 58930.

MUELLER-HINTON broth is employed for the determination of the MIC in serial dilution tests.

## **Principle**

Microbiological method

#### Mode of Action

The composition of the culture media provide favourable growth conditions, the media are almost totally devoid of sulfonamide antagonists.

# Typical Composition (g/litre)

Meat infusion 2.0; casein hydrolysate 17.5; starch 1.5.

# **Preparation and Storage**

Usable up to the expiry date when stored  $\,$  dry and tightly closed at +15 to +25° C. Protect from light.

After first opening of the bottle the content can be used up to the expiry date when stored dry and tightly closed at +15 to  $+25^{\circ}$ C. Suspend 21 g/litre, dispense into test tubes, autoclave (15 min at 121 °C).

pH: 7.4 ± 0.2 at 25 °C.

The prepared broth is clear and yellowish and stable for 2 weeks at 2-8  $^{\circ}$ C.

#### Specimen

e.g. Isolated bacteria from urine.

Clinical specimen collection, handling and processing, see general instructions of use.MUELLER-HINTON Agar:

See also General Instruction of Use Warnings and precautions see ChemDAT® (www.chemdat.info)

### **Experimental Procedure and Evaluation**

Carry out the sensitivity or resistance test as directed. Incubation for 24 h at 35 °C aerobically.

#### Literature

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# **Ordering Information**

Product	Merck Cat. No.	Pack size
MUELLER-HINTON-Broth	1.10293.0500	500 g

## **Quality control**

Test strains	Growth	
Escherichia coli ATCC 25922	good / very good	
Staphylococcus aureus ATCC 25923	good / very good	
Pseudomonas aeruginosa ATCC 27853	good / very good	
Enterococcus faecalis ATCC 33186	good / very good	
Bacillus subtilis ATCC 6633	good / very good (Antagonist test!)	
Streptococcus pyogenes ATCC 12344	good / very good	
Streptococcus pneumoniae ATCC 6301	fair / good	
Listeria monocytogenes ATCC 19118	fair / good	