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## **Product Information**

### M1928 MYP Agar Base (Mannitol Egg Yolk Polymyxin Agar Base)

MYP Agar Base with added supplements is used for the isolation and identification of the *Bacillus* species and pathogenic Staphylococci. It is recommended by the American Public Health Association (APHA) for enumeration of *Bacillus cereus*.

#### Composition:

Ingredients	Grams/Litre
Peptic Digest of Animal Tissue	10.0
Meat Extract	1.0
D-Mannitol	10.0
Sodium Chloride	10.0
Phenol Red	0.025
Agar	15.0
Final pH 7.1 +/- 0.2 at 25°C	

Store prepared media below 8°C, protected from direct light. Store dehydrated powder in a dry place in tightly-sealed containers at 2-25°C.

Appearance: Light pink colored, homogeneous, free flowing powder.

Gelling: Firm

Color and Clarity: Red colored, clear to slightly opalescent gel forms in the basal medium. With the addition of

Egg Yolk Emulsion, a light orange colored opaque gel forms in the petri plates.

#### **Directions:**

Suspend 46 g of MYP Agar Base in 900 ml of distilled water. Heat to boiling to dissolve the medium completely. Sterilize by autoclaving at 15 lbs. pressure (121°C) for 15 minutes. Cool to 55°C. Aseptically add sterile Polymyxin B Selective Supplement (P9602) to a final concentration of 100 units per ml. Add 100 ml of sterile Egg Yolk Emulsion (Fluka 17148) per 1000 ml of medium. Mix well and pour into sterile petri plates.

#### **Principle and Interpretation:**

The medium contains the peptic digest of animal tissue and meat extract which supply nitrogen. Mannitol fermentation can be detected with phenol red, which results in a yellow color being present in the mannitol fermenting colonies. Egg Yolk Emulsion helps in the differentiation of lecithinase producing colonies, which are surrounded by a zone of white precipitate. The addition of polymyxin B supplement helps to restrict growth of gram negative bacteria.

Cultural characteristics after 18-40 hours at 35-37°C.

Organisms (ATCC)	Growth	Color of Colony	Lecithinase (+ = haloes around the colonies)
Bacillus subtilis (6633)	+++	yellow	-
Bacillus cereus (10876)	+++	red	+
Proteus mirabilis (25933)	+++	red	-
Staphylococccus aureus (25923)	+++	yellow	+
Escherichia coli (25922)	-/+	-	-
Pseudomonas aeruginosa (27853)	-/+	-	-



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