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Appendices

Media and chemical composition

Bushnell and Haas (BH) Agar

Ingredients	gm/L
Magnesium sulphate	0.2
Calcium chloride anhydrous	0.02
Potassium dihydrogen phosphate	1.0
Dipotassium hydrogen phosphate	1.0
Ammonium nitrate	1.0
Ferric chloride	0.05
Agar	20.0
Final pH (at 25°C)	7.0 ± 0.2

Nutrient Agar

Ingredients	g/L
Peptone	5.0
Sodium chloride	5.0
HM peptone B (equivalent to beef extract)	1.5
Yeast extract	1.5
Agar	15
Final pH (at 25°C)	7.4 ± 0.2

Blood Agar base No. 2

Ingredients	g/L
Proteose peptone	15.0
HL extract (Equivalent to liver extract)	2.5
Yeast extract	5.0
Sodium chloride	5.0
Agar	15.0
Final pH (at 25°C)	7.4 ± 0.2

Protein reagent for Lowry's method of protein estimation

Reagent	Composition
Reagent A	2% Na ₂ CO ₃ in 0.1 N NaOH
Reagent B	0.5% CuSO ₄ in 1% NaK tartarate
Reagent C	49ml of Reagent A + 1ml of Reagent B

DNS reagent for alpha amylase estimation

Ingredients	Amount/50 mL
DNS	1 g
Sodium potassium tartarate tetrahydrate	30 g
2N NaOH	20 mL
Final volume	Adjust the final volume to 100 mL using distilled water

Phosphate buffered saline (PBS)

Ingredients	g/100 mL
Sodium chloride	0.8
Potassium chloride	0.02
Disodium hydrogen phosphate	0.144
Potassium dihydrogen phosphate	0.0245

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List of publications

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