### **CETRIMIDE BROTH**

TM 422

For selective enrichment of Pseudomonas aeruginosa

## Composition

Ingredients	Gms/ltr.
Peptic digest of animal tissue	10.00
Beef extract	10.00
Sodium chloride	5.00
Cetrimide	0.30

<sup>\*</sup> Dehydrated powder, hygroscopic in nature, store in a dry place, in tightly-sealed containers below 25°C and protect from direct Sunlight.

### **Instructions for Use**

Dissolve 25.30gms in 1000ml distilled water. Gently heat to boiling with gentle swirling and dissolve the medium completely. Sterilize by autoclaving at 15 psi (121°C) for 15 minutes. Cool to 45-50°C and dispense as desired.

Appearance: Light amber coloured, clear to slightly opalescent solution

pH (at 25°C):  $7.2 \pm 0.2$ 

# **Principle**

CETRIMIDE BROTH is used for the selective enrichment of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*. The presence of Cetrimide in medium has a property to inhibit other bacteria except *P. aeruginosa*. It also acts as a quaternary ammonium, cationic detergent which causes release of nitrogen and phosphorus from bacterial cells other than *P. aeruginosa*. Peptic digest of animal tissue and Beef extract provide organic nitrogen to the organisms. Sodium chloride maintains osmotic balance in the medium. Cetrimide acts as a quaternary ammonium, cationic detergent that causes release of nitrogen and phosphorus from bacterial cells other than *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*. On incubation period of 48 hours of *P. aeruginosa* showed profuse growth whereas *E.coli* and *S. aureus* inhibits the growth in this medium.

# Interpretation

Cultural characteristics observed after inoculating ( $10^2$ - $10^3$ CFU/ml), on incubation at 35-37°C for 24 - 48 hours.

Microorganisms	ATCC	Inoculum (CFU/ml)	Growth
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	27853	$10^2 - 10^3$	Luxuriant
Escherichia coli	25922	$10^2 - 10^3$	Inhibited
Staphylococcus aureus	25923	10 <sup>2</sup> -10 <sup>3</sup>	Inhibited

#### References

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