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# Sabouraud Dextrose Agar (SDA)

Solid medium used for the isolation, cultivation, and maintenance of pathogenic and non-pathogenic species of fungi and yeasts.

REF: BS.1/SA01.100.0100	100 Gram	REF: BS.1/SA01.250.0250	250 Gram	
REF: BS.1/SA01.500.0500	500 Gram			

## **CLINICAL SIGNIFICANCE**

Sabouraud Dextrose Agar (SDA) was formulated by Sabouraud in 1892 for cultivating dermatophytes. The pH is adjusted to approximately 5.6 in order to enhance the growth of fungi, especially dermatophytes, and to slightly inhibit bacterial growth in clinical specimens. SDA is also used to determine the mycological evaluation of food, contamination in cosmetics, and clinically to help in the diagnosis of yeast and fungal infections.

## **METHOD PRINCIPLE**

Mycological peptone provides nitrogenous compounds. Dextrose acts as a source of energy. Agar acts as a solidifying agent. The low pH favors fungal growth and inhibits contaminating bacteria. Antibiotics like chloramphenicol, gentamicin, and tetracycline can be added as selective agents to inhibit the overgrowth of competing bacteria while permitting the successful isolation of fungi and yeasts. Various other modifications are also reported by using cycloheximide, penicillin, streptomycin, neomycin depending upon the intended use.

## **MEDIA COMPOSITION**

Item	Formula per liter of medium	
Mycological peptone	10 gm	
Dextrose	40 gm	
Agar	15 gm	

## PRECAUTIONS AND WARNINGS

Media to be handled by entitled and professionally educated person. Do not ingest or inhale.

Good Laboratories practices using appropriate precautions should be followed in:

- · Wearing personnel protective equipment (overall, gloves, glasses,).
- · Do not pipette by mouth.
- In case of contact with eyes or skin; rinse immediately with plenty of soap and water. In case of severe injuries; seek medical advice immediately.
- Respect country requirement for waste disposal.
  - **\$56:** dispose of this material and its container at hazardous or special waste collection point.
  - **\$57:** use appropriate container to avoid environmental contamination.

\$61: avoid release in environment.

For further information, refer to the Sabouraud Dextrose Agar material safety data sheet.

## STORAGE AND STABILITY

**BioScien** Sabouraud Dextrose Agar should be stored between 10-30°C in a firmly closed container and the prepared medium at 2-8°C. Use before expiry date on the label. On opening, product should be properly stored dry, after tightly capping the bottle in order to avoid

lump development due to the hygroscopic nature of the product. Improper storage of the product may lead to lump formation. Store in a dry ventilated area protected from extremes of temperature and sources of ignition. Seal the container tightly after use. Product performance is best if used within stated expiry period.

## Final pH 5.6 ± 0.2 at 25°C

#### **PREPARATION**

Suspend 65 grams in 1 liter of distilled water. Heat to boiling to dissolve the medium completely. Sterilize by autoclaving at 15 lbs. pressure. (121  $^{\circ}$ C) for 15 minutes.

#### Deterioration

The color of **BioScien** Sabouraud Dextrose Agar is light yellow homogeneous free flowing powder. Prepared Media is light amber in color. If there are any physical changes for powder or signs of deterioration (shrinking, cracking, or discoloration), and contaminations for hydrated media, discard the medium.

## **SPECIMEN**

Blood samples, sputum samples, CSF samples, skin scraping samples, and food samples

## **EQUIPMENT REQUIRED NOT PROVIDED**

- · Sterile petri dishes
- Incubator
- Autoclave

# PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

Cultural characteristics observed after 48-72 hours at 28-30 °C.

Microorganism	Result			
Aspergillus brasiliensis	Growth is seen as colonies			
(ATCC 16404)	ranging from 10-100 CFU			
Candida albicans	Growth is seen as colonies			
(ATCC 10231)	ranging from 10-100 CFU			
Saccharomyces cerevisiae	Growth is seen as colonies			
(ATCC 9763)	ranging from 10-100 CFU			
Penicillium roquefortii	Growth is seen as point			
(ATCC 10110)	inoculation colonies			
Trichophyton mentagrophytes	Growth is seen as point			
(ATCC 9533)	inoculation colonies			
Microsporum canis	Growth is seen as point			
(ATCC 36299)	inoculation colonies			

## **QUALITY CONTROL**

To ensure adequate quality control, it is recommended that positive and negative control included in each run. If control still out of range please contact BioScien technical support.

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