ProductInformation

FISCHER'S MEDIUM
For Leukemic Cells of Mice
With L-Glutamine, Without Sodium Bicarbonate

Product Number **F5008**
Storage Temperature 2-8°C

Product Description

Fischer's Medium originally was formulated to support serial propagation of cells from leukemic mice. In initial studies, cells in culture were examined for resistance to chemotherapeutic agents. While most such studies were carried out using whole animals, Fischer's medium made it possible to conduct parallel studies in vitro. Fischer's Medium supports clonal reproduction of cells, particularly lymphoblasts from primary explants or from cells in culture.

Fischer's Medium For Leukemic Cells of Mice, Product No. F5008 is one of the cell culture media available from Sigma. The selection of a nutrient medium is strongly influenced by 1] type of cell, 2] type of culture [monolayer, suspension, clonal] and 3] degree of chemical definition necessary. It is important to review the literature for recommendations concerning medium, supplementation and physiological parameters required for a specific cell line.

Components	g/L
Calcium Chloride•2H_2O	0.091
Magnesium Chloride (anhydrous)	0.04683
Potassium Chloride	0.4
Sodium Chloride	8.0
Sodium Phosphate Dibasic (anhydrous)	0.06
Sodium Phosphate Monobasic (anhydrous)	0.06
L-Arginine•HCl	0.015
L-Asparagine (anhydrous)	0.01
L-Cystine•2HCl	0.0261
L-Glutamine	0.204
L-Histidine•HCl• H_2O	0.081
L-Isoleucine	0.075
L-Leucine	0.03
L-Lysine•HCl	0.05
L-Methionine	0.1
L-Phenylalanine	0.06
L-Serine	0.015
L-Threonine	0.04
L-Tryptophan	0.01
L-Tyrosine•2Na•2H_2O	0.08716
L-Valine	0.07
D-Biotin	0.00001
Choline Chloride	0.0015
Folic Acid	0.01
myo-Inositol	0.0015
Niacinamide	0.0005
D-Pantothenic Acid (hemicalcium)	0.0005
Pyridoxal•HCl	0.0005
Riboflavin	0.0005
Thiamine•HCl	0.001
D-Glucose	1.0
Phenol Red•Na	0.0053

Precautions and Disclaimer

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For In Vitro Diagnostic Use

Preparation Instructions

Powdered media are extremely hygroscopic and should be protected from atmospheric moisture. The entire contents of each package should be used immediately after opening. Preparing a concentrated solution of medium is not recommended as precipitates may form.

Supplements can be added prior to filtration or introduced aseptically to sterile medium. The nature of the supplement may affect storage conditions and shelf life of the medium.

1. Measure out 90% of final required volume of water. Water temperature should be 15-20°C.
2. While gently stirring the water, add the powdered medium. Stir until dissolved. Do NOT heat.
3. Rinse original package with a small amount of water to remove all traces of powder. Add to solution in step 2.
4. To the solution in step 3, add 1.125 g sodium bicarbonate or 15 ml of sodium bicarbonate solution [7.5%w/v] for each liter of final volume of medium being prepared. Stir until dissolved.
5. While stirring, adjust the pH of the medium to 0.1-0.3 pH units below the desired pH since it may rise during filtration. The use of 1N HCl or 1N NaOH is recommended.
6. Add additional water to bring the solution to final volume.
7. Sterilize immediately by filtration using a membrane with a porosity of 0.22 microns.

8. Aseptically dispense medium into sterile container.

Storage/Stability
Store the dry powdered medium at 2-8°C under dry conditions and liquid medium at 2-8°C in the dark. Deterioration of the powdered medium may be recognized by any or all of the following: [1] color change, [2] granulation/clumping, [3] insolubility. Deterioration of the liquid medium may be recognized by any or all of the following: [1] pH change, [2] precipitate or particulate matter throughout the solution, [3] cloudy appearance [4] color change. The nature of supplements added may affect storage conditions and shelf life of the medium. Product label bears expiration date.

Procedure
MATERIALS REQUIRED BUT NOT PROVIDED
Water for tissue culture use [W3500]
Sodium Bicarbonate [S5761] or
Sodium Bicarbonate Solution, 7.5% [S8761]
1N Hydrochloric Acid [H9892]
1N Sodium Hydroxide [S2770]
Medium additives as required

Product Profile

Appearance	off-white powder
Moisture content	≤2.0%
Solubility	clear solution at 1x concentration
pH at room temperature [without sodium bicarbonate]	6.8 ± 0.3
pH at room temperature [with sodium bicarbonate]	7.7 ± 0.3
Osmolality [without sodium bicarbonate]	285 mOsm/kg H_2O ± 5%
Osmolality [with sodium bicarbonate]	300 mOsm/kg H_2O ± 5%
Endotoxin	≤1.0 EU/ml at 1x
Amino Acid Analysis by HPLC	Analysis has confirmed that amino acids are present at concentrations consistent with the formula.
Key Element Analysis by ICAP	Analysis has confirmed that key elements are present at concentrations consistent with the formula.

BIOLOGICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS
Biological performance is assessed using an appropriate cell line(s). Growth studies are carried through 2 subculture generations. Cells are counted and growth is plotted as a logarithmic function of time in culture. Seeding efficiencies, doubling time, and final cell densities are determined. During the testing period cultures are examined microscopically for atypical morphology and evidence of cytotoxicity. Test results are available upon request.

References
1. Fischer, G.A. and Sartorelli, A.C. (1964). Development, Maintenance and Assay of Drug Resistance. Methods in Med. Res., 10, 247.

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