

## PRODUCT SPECIFICATION

## OXOID R2A AGAR

BO0071M

## Typical Formula\*

	grams per litre
Yeast extract	0.5
Proteose peptone	0.5
Casein hydrolysate	0.5
Glucose	0.5
Starch	0.5
Di-potassium phosphate	0.3
Magnesium sulphate	0.024
Sodium pyruvate	0.3
Agar	15.0

\*adjusted as required to meet performance standards

## Preparation

Suspend R2A Agar (18.1 grams/litre) in de-ionised water. Heat to dissolve. Cool and dispense 100ml into final containers, 125ml sirop bottles. Sterilise at 121°C for 15 minutes. When cooled, label each bottle and pack in units of 10 in labelled boxes.

## Format

Ten sirop bottles with screw top lids in a box.

## Labels

Label gives details of product name, product code, recommended storage temperature, lot number and expiry date.

## Physical Characteristics

pH	7.2 ± 0.2
Colour	Straw 1
Clarity	Clear
Fill weight	100.0 – 101.5g

## Packaging and presentation:

General appearance of bottle and label should be satisfactory. Label data should be correct.

## Contamination Check

Macroscopic examination should show no evidence of microbial growth after incubation at 30 - 34°C for ≥ 72 hours.

## Microbiological Tests Using Optimum Inoculum Dilution

(Microbiology is conducted after the agar has been melted and poured into Petri dishes)

## Results after incubation at 30-34°C for 36-48 hours

Positive controls

Inoculum 10-100 colony forming units

<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	ATCC® 6538	White colonies
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	ATCC® 9027	White colonies
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	ATCC® 8739	White colonies

*Bacillus subtilis*

ATCC® 6633

White colonies

Colony counts shall be equal to or greater than 50% of the control medium (Tryptone Soya Agar).

**Storage conditions**

Store away from light between 2-25°C.

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