# Product Name : K Broth

Medium for the maintenance and cultivation of *Actinomyces*.

#### CONTENTS (G/L)

Soluble Starch25.0Soy peptone15.0Yeast Extract2.0Calcium Carbonate4.0Final PH= 6.6  $\pm$  0.4 at 25 °C.

#### PROCEDURE

Suspend 46.0 G in 1 L of distilled or deionized water. Heat to boiling until completely dissolved. Sterilize by autoclave at 121°C for 15 minutes. Cool to 45 - 50°C in water bath. Mix well. Dispense into tube.

### INTERPRETATION

K Broth is the medium for the cultivation of *Actinomyces.* Starch provides complex carbohydrate source. Soy peptone and yeast extract provide nitrogen, carbon, vitamins and minerals. Calcium carbonate acts as neutralization reagent.

#### TECHNIC

Inoculate the specimen with stab using a setrilized needle to the medium. Shake gently for spreading microorganisms. Incubate at  $28 \pm 1^{\circ}$ C for 40-72 hours up to 7 days.

#### QUALITY CONTROL FOR USE

<u>Dehydrated medium</u> Appearance: free-flowing, homogeneous. Color: beige. <u>Prepared medium</u> Appearance: supernatant over a heavy white precipitate. Color: amber. Incubation conditions:  $28 \pm 1^{\circ}C / 40-72$  hours up to 7 days.

Microorganism	ATCC	Inoculum CFU	Growth
Streptomyces albus	3004	50-100	good

#### STORE

The powder is very hygroscopic. Store the powder at room temperature, in a dry environment, in its original container tightly closed and use it before the expiry date on the label or until signs of deterioration are evident. Store prepared medium at 2-6°C.



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### REFERENCES

1. Brown, McNeil and Desmond. 1999. In Murray, Baron, Pfaller, Tenover and Yolken (ed.), Manual of clinical microbiology, 7th ed. American Society for Microbiology, Washington, D.C.

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