

Media Component Sheet: OSM01_01

Anaerobic Media OSM01_01

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General remarks:

This is the medium recipe for OSM1.0. A medium that is suitable to grow the methanogens *Methanococcus maripaludis* and *Methanosarcina barkeri*, and the sulphate reducing bacterium *Desulfovibrio vulgaris*.

The medium was formerly known as CCM-TGmod2014, which itself was a slight modification of the published CCM medium (Walker *et al*,2009).

This file only specifies the chemical medium recipe and preparation of the stock solutions and media solution. For the procedure of generating a usable, final anaerobic medium, follow "OSP1.0_Anaerobic Media Preparation Protocol".

PART A: General Protocol (for 1L media)*,^,#:

*needs to be used in conjunction with OSP1.0_Anaerobic Media Preparation Protocol

^see part B for preparation of the various solutions.

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A1. Add the NaHCO₃ and **1 mL Resazurin**, which should be prepared as a 1000X concentrated stock solution, to the **Salt Solution**.

A2. Add 10 mL of **Trace Metal Solution**, which should be prepared as a 100X concentrated stock solution (as described below).

A3. If required, add a **Carbon Source** to the **Salt Solution**. If required, add **Optional Additions**.

A4. Follow the *OSP1.0_Anaerobic Media Preparation Protocol* to make the media anaerobic.

A5. Add 1 mL of **Vitamin Solution**, which should be prepared as 1000X concentrated stock solution (as described below), with a needle and syringe to avoid introducing any O₂ into the stock solution.

A6. Add 10 mL of **Cysteine-Stock**, which should be prepared as 100X concentrated stock solution (as described below), with a needle and syringe to avoid introducing any O₂ into the stock solution.

A7. Just prior to inoculation, add 100 µL of a 50X stock of **Na₂S Solution** into every 5 mL of medium, in the anaerobic chamber. **IMPORTANT NOTE:** The medium should only be stored without the Na₂S Solution added as described in the OSP1.0. This is because; Na₂S in the media makes it unstable for storage.

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PART B: Media Component Solutions#:

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1. Salt solution

Weigh out each salt below and dissolve fully in 978 mL of Milli-Q H₂O. If this is to be kept as a stock solution for later use, autoclave the solution prior to storage.

| Name | g/L | g/mol | mol/L |
|---------------------------------------|------|--------|----------|
| NaCl | 2.17 | 58.44 | 3.71E-02 |
| MgCl ₂ * 6H ₂ O | 5.50 | 203.21 | 2.71E-02 |
| CaCl ₂ * 2H ₂ O | 0.14 | 147 | 9.52E-04 |
| NH ₄ Cl | 0.50 | 53.49 | 9.35E-03 |
| KCl | 0.34 | 74.55 | 4.49E-03 |
| K ₂ HPO ₄ | 0.19 | 136.09 | 1.40E-03 |

2. NaHCO₃ (Dry component to act as buffer)

Weighed as a dry component and used as described in Part A, step 2.

| Buffer | g/L medium | g/mol | mol/l (medium) |
|--------------------|------------|-------|----------------|
| NaHCO ₃ | 2.5 | 84.01 | 2.98E-02 |

3. Resazurin Stock Solution

(1000x concentrated stock solution of volume of your choice, note that amounts shown below are for 1L).

Dissolve 1 g of Resazurin powder into 1 Litre of water. To prepare less than 1 Litre, use a corresponding smaller ratio of resazurin.

| Indicator | g/L Stock | g/L medium | g/mol | mol/l (medium) |
|-----------|-----------|------------|-------|----------------|
| Resazurin | 1 | 1.00E-03 | 229.2 | 4.36E-06 |

4. Trace Metal Solution

(100x concentrated stock solution of volume of your choice, note that amounts shown below are for 1L).

| TG-2014 Trace Metal | g/L(stock) | g/L medium | g/mol | mol/l (medium) |
|--|------------|------------|--------|----------------|
| Nitrilotriacetic acid | 1.5000 | 0.015000 | 191.14 | 7.8E-05 |
| MgCl ₂ * 6 H ₂ O | 2.4800 | 0.024800 | 203.3 | 1.2E-04 |
| MnCl ₂ * 4H ₂ O | 0.5854 | 0.005854 | 197.9 | 3.0E-05 |
| NaCl | 1.0000 | 0.010000 | 58.44 | 1.7E-04 |

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|---|--------|----------|----------|---------|
| FeCl ₂ * 4 H ₂ O | 0.0715 | 0.000715 | 198.81 | 3.6E-06 |
| CoCl ₂ * 6 H ₂ O | 0.1524 | 0.001524 | 237.93 | 6.4E-06 |
| CaCl ₂ * 2 H ₂ O | 0.1000 | 0.001000 | 147.01 | 6.8E-06 |
| ZnCl ₂ * 4 H ₂ O | 0.0853 | 0.000853 | 136.315 | 6.3E-06 |
| CuCl ₂ | 0.0054 | 0.000054 | 134.452 | 4.0E-07 |
| AlCl ₃ | 0.0103 | 0.000103 | 133.34 | 7.7E-07 |
| H ₃ BO ₃ | 0.0100 | 0.000100 | 61.83 | 1.6E-06 |
| Na ₂ MoO ₄ * 2 H ₂ O | 0.0100 | 0.000100 | 205.92 | 4.9E-07 |
| NiCl ₂ * 6 H ₂ O | 0.0300 | 0.000300 | 237.69 | 1.3E-06 |
| Na ₂ SeO ₃ * 5 H ₂ O | 0.0003 | 0.000003 | 262.94 | 1.1E-08 |
| Na ₂ WO ₄ * 2H ₂ O | 0.0080 | 0.000080 | 329.8477 | 2.4E-07 |

- 4.1. Dissolve Nitrilotriacetic acid
- 4.2. Adjust pH to 6.5 with 1 M KOH
- 4.3. Add all other minerals
- 4.4. Set final pH to 7.0 with 1 M KOH
- 4.5. Autoclave
- 4.6. Store at 4° C until usage

5. Vitamin Stock Solution – to be added during degassing!

(1000X concentrated stock solution of volume of your choice, note that amounts shown below are for 1L).

Pre-step: Prepare degassed closed serum flasks for aliquoting (aliquoting of the total solution into smaller volumes is to make smaller batches is good practice, for better storage/ ease of use, minimize contamination, etc). In brief, crimp seal serum flasks. Add gas (15 minutes) to the bottle via a needle, with another needle as a vent. Pull needles out simultaneously, while gas is still flowing. Autoclave the sealed, degassed serum flasks.

- 5.1. Weigh all the Vitamins below into a 50 mL conical centrifuge tube.

| Vitamins | g/L(stock) | g/L medium | g/mol | mol/l (medium) |
|---------------------|------------|------------|---------|----------------|
| Biotin | 0.020 | 0.00002 | 244.31 | 8.2E-08 |
| Folic Acid | 0.020 | 0.00002 | 441.4 | 4.5E-08 |
| Pyridoxin HCl | 0.100 | 0.0001 | 205.63 | 4.9E-07 |
| Thiamine HCl | 0.050 | 0.00005 | 337.26 | 1.5E-07 |
| Riboflavin | 0.050 | 0.00005 | 376.36 | 1.3E-07 |
| Nicotinic Acid | 0.050 | 0.00005 | 123.11 | 4.1E-07 |
| D-Ca-Panthotenate | 0.050 | 0.00005 | 238.265 | 2.1E-07 |
| p-Aminobenzoic Acid | 0.050 | 0.00005 | 137.14 | 3.6E-07 |
| Vitamin B12 | 0.001 | 0.000001 | 1355.37 | 7.4E-10 |
| Lipoic Acid | 0.050 | 0.00005 | 206.33 | 2.4E-07 |

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- 5.2. Degas the centrifuge tube, containing the vitamins, and 1 L of Milli-Q H₂O in the anaerobe chamber over night.
- 5.3. Mix the dry Vitamins with the 1L of Milli-Q inside the anaerobe chamber.
- 5.4. Aliquot (equal amounts of your choice) from the 1L solution into sterile anaerobe serum flasks by 0.2 µm filtration (in the anaerobic chamber).

6. Cysteine-Stock – to be added during degassing!

(100X concentrated stock solution of volume of your choice, note that amounts shown below are for 1L)

| Cysteine Solution | g/L(stock) | g/L medium | g/mol | mol/l (medium) |
|---------------------------------|------------|------------|--------|----------------|
| Cysteine-HCl * H ₂ O | 35.03 | 0.35 | 175.16 | 2.00E-03 |

- 6.1. Fill Milli-Q H₂O and the corresponding amount of Cysteine-HCl * H₂O into two different tubes.
- 6.2. Leave both tubes in the anaerobe chamber overnight to degas.
- 6.3. Combine water and salt in one container and mix by inverting until the salt has completely dissolved.
- 6.4. Fill into serum flask.
- 6.5. Seal in anaerobic cabinet and take out.
- 6.6. Autoclave.

7. Na₂S Stock Solution – to be added just prior to inoculation!

(50x stock solution of volume of your choice, note that amounts shown below are for 1L).

***Safety:** Sodium sulphide is strongly alkaline and can cause skin burns. Acids react with it to rapidly produce hydrogen sulphide, which is highly toxic. Hazard Groups: Corrosive ©, Dangerous for the environment (N). Steps 7.1-7.3 should be done in a fume cupboard.*

| Na ₂ S Solution | g/L(stock) | g/L medium | g/mol | mol/l (medium) |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|--------|----------------|
| Na ₂ S * 9H ₂ O | 24 | 0.48 | 240.18 | 2.00E-03 |

- 7.1. Weight out the required amount of Na₂S * 9H₂O carefully.
- 7.2. Wash the crystals with Milli-Q H₂O and dry on a piece of microscope paper (to avoid fibres) on top of a piece of kitchen roll.
- 7.3. Fill the amount of Na₂S * 9H₂O required into a tube and the corresponding amount of water in to a second tube.
- 7.4. Leave both tubes in the anaerobe chamber over night to degas.
- 7.5. Mix and fill into serum flask.
- 7.6. Seal in anaerobic cabinet and take out.
- 7.7. Autoclave.

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8. Carbon Source (substrate)

Following are some carbon sources and amounts we routinely use with this media. You might want to use other C-sources as well. Note that depending on the nature of the C-source, you might want to add after the degassing stage. For example, methanol, that can be used for *M.barkeri*, could have high volatility and be lost during degassing.

| Organism | Name | g/L | g/mol | mol/L |
|----------------------|------------|------|--------|----------|
| Standard Recipe | Na-Lactate | 3.36 | 112.06 | 3.00E-02 |
| <i>D.vulgaris</i> | Na-Lactate | 3.36 | 112.06 | 3.00E-02 |
| <i>M.barkeri</i> | Na-Acetate | 8.20 | 82.03 | 0.1 |
| <i>M.maripaludis</i> | Na-Acetate | 0.82 | 82.03 | 0.01 |

9. Optional additions

These are additions that are thought to improve monoculture growth.

| Organism | Name | g/L | g/mol | mol/L |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|------|--------|----------|
| <i>D.vulgaris</i> | Na ₂ SO ₄ | 3.36 | 142.04 | 1.00E-02 |
| <i>M.maripaludis</i> | NaCl | 4 | 58.44 | 6.84E-02 |
| <i>M.maripaludis</i> | Yeast Extract | 2 | - | - |

References:

Walker, C.B. et al., 2009. The electron transfer system of syntrophically grown *Desulfovibrio vulgaris*. *Journal of bacteriology*, 191(18), pp.5793–801.