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## **CHROMagar™** Streptococcus

## Chromogenic medium for isolation and differentiation of *Streptococcus sp.*

Composed by: CHROMagar™ Streptococcus base: ref CQ392(B) CHROMagar™ Streptococcus suppl.: ref CQ392(S)

**STORAGE** Store the powder base and the liquid supplement at 15/30°C until shelf life date indicated on the label.

**COMPOSITION** (Classical formula adjusted and/or supplemented as required to meet performance criteria)

-> Base (g/L): Agar 15.0; Peptones and growth factors 20.0; Salts 7.5; Chromogenic and selective mix 2.4; total 44.9 g/L pH : 7.3 +/-0.2

-> Supplement (ml/L): Growth factors 8.0

**PREPARATION** (Calculation for 1L)

- Suspend 44.9g of the powder base ref. CQ392(B) in 1L of purified water.

• Add 8 ml of the liquid supplement ref. CQ392(S).

- Disperse slowly in water by rotating for swelling of the agar. Autoclave at 121  $^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$  during 15 min.

• Cool in a water bath to 45-50°C, swirling and stirring gently.

• Pour into sterile Petri dishes or tubes and allow to gel and dry.

**INCUBATION** Isolate purified strains or samples (directly or after broth enrichment). Incubate at 37°C and read at 18h, 24h and 48h.

## INTERPRETATION

## Microorganism $\rightarrow$ Typical appearance

Strep.agalactiae	$\rightarrow$ blue
Enterococcus	$\rightarrow$ mauve to violet-mauve
Strep.uberis	$\rightarrow$ blue to metallic blue
Other Streptococcus	$\rightarrow$ various
Staphylococcus sp	$\rightarrow$ inhibited
Gram negative bacteria	$\rightarrow$ inhibited

**PERFORMANCE and LIMITATIONS** Definite identification may require additional testing.

**DISPOSAL OF WASTE** After interpretation all media should be destroyed by autoclaving at 121°C for at least 20 minutes.

**English**. For Performance Evaluation. Laboratory product to be used only by trained personnel.