

Use and description:

This media recommended for isolation and differentiation of *Candida* spp. It contains chloramphenicol to inhibit wide range of bacteria, and chromogenic MIX for biochemical differentiation of *Candida*.

Composition per liter:

Agar.....	15.00 g
Peptones	12.0 g
D-Glucose	15.7 g
Chromogenic mix.....	2.3 g
Chloramphenicol	0.45 g

Final pH of the ready to use medium: 5.5 ± 0.2

Medium preparation:

Add 45.45 grams of culture medium to 1 liter of distilled water, and allow to soak for 10 minutes. Swirl to mix, heat up until completely dissolve. Sterilise at 110 °C at 10 minutes. Allow to cool to 47°C, then pour plates.

Quality specifications:

Dehydrated medium: homogeneous, clear amber powder.

Ready to use medium: straw, clear to slightly opalescent agar

Microbiological response after 48 hours incubation at 35-37 °C :

Organism	Result
<i>Candida albicans</i> ATCC 10231	Emerald, white metallic shine
<i>Candida dublinensis</i> NCPF 3949	Dark green , matt
<i>Candida glabrata</i> ATCC 1031	White pinkish ,shiny
<i>Candida krusei</i> ATCC 142403	Light pink
<i>Candida tropicalis</i> ATCC750	deep magenta,some strains with small white outer ring
<i>E.coli</i> ATCC 25922	no growth

Storage:

Dehydrated medium should be stored between 10 to 25°C. Once opened, place the container in a dark, dry place. The dehydrated medium should not be used if there is any lump or the color has changed from the original.