

# **POTASSIUM TELLURITE 1% Supplement**

Selective supplement for the isolation of Staphylococci

### DESCRIPTION

POTASSIUM TELLURITE 1% *Supplement* is a selective supplement consisting of a 1% potassium tellurite aqueous solution for microbiological use, to be used in preparation of VOGEL JOHNSON AGAR culture medium (REF. 610186 or 620186) for isolation of Staphylococci and in other culture media the composition of which provides for the inclusion of potassium tellurite.

## KIT CONTENTS

Each kit contains:

- bottles containing 10 ml of POTASSIUM TELLURITE 1% Supplement
- 1 Instruction sheet

### PRINCIPLE OF THE METHOD

POTASSIUM TELLURITE 1% Supplement is a selective supplement used in preparation of the VOGEL JOHNSON AGAR medium (REF. 610186 or 620186) for isolation of Staphylococci. These micro-organisms, which reduce the tellurite to tellurium, grow with grey-black colonies. Potassium tellurite is also included in the composition of other culture media.

### COMPOSITION

POTASSIUM TELLURITE 1% Supplement				
Contents / bottle				
Potassium tellurite Distilled water	100.0 mg 10.0 ml			

### PROCEDURE FOR USE

- Aseptically add the entire contents of a bottle of POTASSIUM TELLURITE 1% Supplement (10 ml) to 500 ml of VOGEL JOHNSON AGAR medium (REF. 610186 or 620186) autoclaved and cooled to 45-50°C. When potassium tellurite is included in the composition of other media, refer to the specific instructions for the medium concerned on the quantity of POTASSIUM TELLURITE 1 % Supplement that should be added to it.
- 2. Mix with care.

3. Distribute into Petri dishes.

### TECHNIQUE AND INTERPRETATION OF THE RESULTS

Refer to the technical documentation for VOGEL JOHNSON AGAR medium (REF. 610186 or 620186), or for the specific medium being prepared. **OUALITY CONTROL** 

# 1. Visual inspection: clear, colourless solution.

2. Microbiological control.

Prepare the plates using as base VOGEL JOHNSON AGAR medium (REF. 610186 or 620186) supplemented with POTASSIUM TELLURITE 1% *Supplement* (1 bottle in 500 ml of medium). The plates are seeded with the strains indicated in the microbiological control table.

Incubation conditions: 24-48 h at 36±1°C.

Microbiological control

Control strains		Growth	Colonies
Staphylococcus aureus	ATCC 25923	Good	Black
Escherichia coli	ATCC 25922	Inhibited	

### PRECAUTIONS

The product POTASSIUM TELLURITE 1 % Supplement is not classified as dangerous under current legislation; it is nevertheless recommended that the Safety Data Sheet be consulted on its correct use.

POTASSIUM TELLURITE 1 % Supplement is a supplement to be used only for *in vitro* diagnostic use. It is intended for use in a professional environment and must be used in the laboratory by properly trained personnel, using approved asepsis and safety methods for handling pathogenic agents.

### STORAGE

Store POTASSIUM TELLURITE 1 % Supplement at 2-8°C in its original packaging. In such conditions POTASSIUM TELLURITE 1% Supplement will remain valid until the expiry date indicated on the label. Do not use beyond that date. Eliminate without using if there are signs of deterioration.

### REFERENCES

United States Pharmacopoeia XXI (1985) Microbial Limit Tests. Rockville. Md.

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### PRESENTATION

product	REF	Σ
POTASSIUM TELLURITE 1% Supplement	80022	5 bottles x 10 ml
POTASSIUM TELLURITE 1% Supplement	80422	10 bottles x 10 ml

### TABLE OF SYMBOLS

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IVD In Vitro Diagnostic Medical Device	Do not reuse	Manufacturer	$\begin{tabular}{ c c c c } \hline $\Sigma$ & Contains sufficient for $ tests \end{tabular}$	Temperature limitation	
<b>REF</b> Catalogue number	Fragile, handle with care	Use by	Caution, consult accompanying documents	LOT Batch code	

