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Technical Datasheet

Minimum Essential Medium Eagle (MEM)

With Earle's salts, L-Glutamine, NEAA, Sodium pyruvate, 15mM HEPES buffer and Sodium bicarbonate

Product Code: AL182A

Product Description:

Minimum Essential Medium (MEM) is a modification of Basal Medium Eagle (BME). It was developed by Harry Eagle to meet the specific nutritional requirements of certain subtypes of HeLa cells and normal mammalian fibroblasts. MEM includes higher concentration of amino acids so as to closely approximate the protein composition of cultured mammalian cells. MEM can be used either with Earle's salts or Hanks' salts and can also be additionally supplemented with non-essential amino acids (NEAA). This medium can be further modified by eliminating calcium to facilitate growth of cells in suspension cultures.

AL182A is Minimum Essential Medium Eagle with Earle's salts, L-glutamine, non-essential amino acids, sodium pyruvate, 15mM HEPES buffer and sodium bicarbonate. HEPES, a zwitterionic buffer having a pKa of 7.3 at 37ºC prevents the initial rise in pH that tends to occur at the initiation of a culture and increases the buffering capacity of the medium. Users are advised to review the literature for recommendations regarding medium supplementation and physiological growth requirements specific for different cell lines.

Composition:

Ingredients	mg/L
INORGANIC SALTS	
Calcium chloride dihydrate	265.000
Magnesium sulphate anhydrous	97.720
Potassium chloride	400.000
Sodium bicarbonate	2200.000
Sodium chloride	6800.000
Sodium dihydrogen phosphate anhydrous	122.000
AMINO ACIDS	
Glycine	7.500
L-Alanine	8.900
L-Arginine hydrochloride	126.000
L-Asparagine monohydrate	15.000
L-Aspartic acid	13.300
L-Cystine dihydrochloride	31.300
L-Glutamic acid	14.700
L-Glutamine	292.000
L-Histidine hydrochloride monohydrate	42.000
L-Isoleucine	52.000
L-Leucine	52.000
L-Lysine hydrochloride	72.500
L-Methionine	15.000
L-Phenylalanine	32.000
L-Proline	11.500
L-Serine	10.500
L-Threonine	48.000
L-Tryptophan	10.000
L-Tyrosine disodium salt dihydrate	51.900
L-Valine	46.000
VITAMINS	
Choline chloride	1.000
D-Ca-Pantothenate	1.000
Folic acid	1.000
Nicotinamide	1.000
Pyridoxal hydrochloride	1.000
Riboflavin	0.100
Thiamine hydrochloride	1.000
i-Inositol	2.000
OTHERS	
D-Glucose	1000.000
Phenol red sodium salt	11.000
HEPES buffer	3575.00

Quality Control:

Appearance
Orangish red colored, clear solution

pH
7.00 -7.60

Osmolality in mOsm/Kg H_2O
295.00 -335.00

Sterility
No bacterial or fungal growth is observed after 14 days of incubation, as per USP specification.

Cultural Response
The growth promotion capacity of the medium is assessed qualitatively by analyzing the cells for the morphology and quantitatively by estimating the cell counts.

Endotoxin Content
NMT 1EU/ml

Storage and Shelf Life:
Store at 2-8°C away from bright light.
Shelf life is 12 months.
Use before expiry date given on the product label.