

## AZIDE VIOLET BLOOD AGAR BASE

Highly selective medium for the isolation of streptococci

**Typical Formula (g/l)**

Tryptose	10.000
Beef Extract	3.000
Sodium Chloride	5.000
Sodium Azide	0.200
Crystal Violet	0.002
Agar	15.000

**Directions**

Suspend 33.2 g in 1000 ml of cold distilled water, heat to boiling distribute and sterilise by autoclaving at 121°C for 15 minutes. To prepare blood agar plates cool to about 50°C, aseptically add 5%(v/v) of sterile defibrinated blood, mix well and pour into sterile Petri dishes.

pH: 7.2 ± 0.2

**Description**

Azide Violet Blood Agar Base, with sodium azide and crystal violet, is highly selective for streptococci, while Gram-negative organisms and staphylococci being inhibited. Azide Violet Blood Agar Base is recommended for the isolation of enterococci in urine and is suggested by Mossel for the enumeration of faecal streptococci in foodstuffs.

**User quality assurance (37°C-24 h)**

Productivity control

*S.pyogenes* ATCC 19615: growth, beta haemolysis

*S.pneumoniae* ATCC 6305: growth alpha haemolysis

Selectivity control

*S.aureus* ATCC 25923: inhibited

*E.coli* ATCC 25922: inhibited

**Storage**

Dehydrated medium: 10-30°C

User prepared plates: up to 24 hours at 2-8°C

**Reference**

- Mossel, D.A.A., Diepen, H.M.S De Bruin, A.S. (1967). J. Appl. Bact. **20**, 265-272.

**Packaging**

**4011102      Azide Violet Blood Agar Base,      500 g (15 l)**