OXOID PRODUCT SPECIFICATION

BRAZIER'S CLOSTRIDIUM DIFFICILE SELECTIVE AGAR

PB1122C

Typical Formula

	grams per litre
Peptone mix	23.0
Sodium chloride	5.0
Soluble starch	1.0
Sodium bicarbonate	0.4
Glucose	1.0
Sodium pyruvate	1.0
Cysteine HCl	0.5
Haemin	0.01
Vitamin K	0.001
L-Arginine	1.0
Soluble pyrophosphate	0.25
Sodium succinate	0.5
Cholic acid	1.0
p-Hydroxyphenylacetic acid	1.0
Agar	12.0
Additions	
Egg yolk emulsion	40ml
Lysed horse blood	10ml
Cycloserine / Cefoxitin Supplement	
D- Cycloserine	250mg
Cefoxitin	8mg

Preparation

Suspend Brazier's CCEY Agar (48 grams / litre) in de-ionised water. Sterilise at 121°C for 15 minutes. Cool, aseptically add egg yolk emulsion (40 millilitres / litre), lysed horse blood (10 millilitres / litre) and Cycloserine / Cefoxitin Supplement as above, mix. Aseptically dispense into 55mm contact dishes. Label dishes, wrap and label pack.

Format

Ten 55mm contact plates, wrapped in a single cellulose-based film wrap. Each plate is ink-jet printed with (abbreviated) product name, product code, lot number and expiry date.

Labels

Label gives details of product name, product code, recommended storage temperature, lot number and expiry date.

Physical Characteristics

Physical Tests	
pН	7.0 ± 0.2
Colour	Amber / Brown
Clarity	Semi-opaque
Fill weight	$17.75g \pm 1.25g$

Packaging and presentation:

General appearance of packaging and label should be satisfactory. Label data should be correct.

Sterility Test

Macroscopic examination should show no evidence of microbial growth after incubation at 20-24°C and 30-34°C for 5 days.

Microbiological Tests Using Optimum Inoculum Dilution

Results after incubation at 35-39°C for 36-48 hours under anaerobic conditions (for details refer to Oxoid Manual – Atmosphere Generation Systems)

<u>Positive control</u> Inoculum 10-100 colony forming units

Clostridium difficile NCTC 11204 grey / white colonies

Colony counts shall be equal to or greater than 50% of the control medium

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<u>Negative control</u> Inoculum 10,000-100,000 colony forming units

Escherichia coli ATCC[®] 11775 No growth

Storage conditions

Store away from the light between 2-10°C.