

**TM0595 UREASE SLOPE 6ML**  
**TM4079 UREASE SLOPE 4mL (polycarbonate tube) (pack 20)**

**FORMULA**

Mycological Peptone	1.0	gm per litre
Glucose	5.0	
Potassium Dihydrogen Phosphate	2.0	
Sodium Chloride	5.0	
Urea	20.0	
Phenol Red	0.012	
Agar No 1	20.0	

pH 6.8 ± 0.2

**DESCRIPTION**

This medium is for the detection of urease activity in bacteria and fungi. The modified formulation allows luxuriant growth of fungi with earlier detection of urease activity (1).

**QUALITY CONTROL**

**ORGANISMS:** *K. pneumoniae* MVQC 0081 (ATCC™ 13833), *P. mirabilis* MVQC 0008 (ATCC™ 12453), *S. Typhimurium* MVQC 0009 (ATCC™ 14028), *T. mentagrophytes* MVQC 0104.

**SAMPLE NUMBER:** Sample size is determined in accordance with ASM Guidelines (2).

**STERILITY:** The entire production batch is incubated at 30°C for 3 days after which they are examined for sterility.

**INOCULUM:** As described in TFS MBD WI 37, inoculate the specified test organisms onto the media using Working Culture B ( $\leq 10^2$  cfu).

*Trichophyton* - Remove a piece of thallous from the working culture and partially bury into the agar

**INCUBATION:** Bacteria - 18 - 24 hours / 35°C / aerobically.

*Trichophyton*: - 3 – 4 days / 27°C / aerobically.

**EXPECTED RESULTS:**

<i>P. mirabilis</i>	Growth, Urease +ve	( bright pink )
<i>K. pneumoniae</i>	Growth, Urease weak +ve	( pale pink )
<i>S. Typhimurium</i>	Growth, Urease –ve	(yellow/orange)
<i>T. mentagrophytes</i>	Growth, Urease +ve	( bright pink )

**ALSO CHECKED AND RECORDED:**

1. Batch number correct
2. Colour
3. Clarity
4. Gel strength
5. Final pH 6.8 ± 0.2
6. Sterility
7. Correctly labelled – UREA SLOPE

## **STORAGE**

A shelf life of 12 months applies when this product is stored at 2° - 8°C in its original packaging.

## **REFERENCES**

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