

ATCC medium: 2433 Rhodospirillum rubrum medium

Basal Medium:

NaHCO₃2.5 g
NH₄Cl0.25 g
NaH₂PO₄ · H₂O.....0.6 g
KCl.....0.1g
Wolfe's Vitamin Solution (see below)....10.0 ml
Wolfe's Mineral Solution (see below)....10.0 ml
Distilled water.....980.0 ml

Medium should not be exposed to sunlight. Combine all basal medium ingredients.

Heat to boiling. Drive out O₂ with a gas mixture of 80% N₂, 20% CO₂ (final pH 6.8-7.0). Dispense into appropriate tubes in 10-ml aliquots. Autoclave 20 minutes at 121C.

Wolfe's Vitamins:

Available from ATCC as a sterile ready-to-use liquid (Vitamin Supplement, catalog no. MD-VS).

Folic acid.....2.0 mg
Pyridoxine hydrochloride....10.0 mg
Riboflavin.....5.0 mg
Biotin.....2.0 mg
Thiamine.....5.0 mg
Nicotinic acid.....5.0 mg
Pantothenic acid.....5.0 mg
Vitamin B12.....0.1 mg
p-Aminobenzoic acid.....5.0 mg
Thioctic acid.....5.0 mg
Distilled water.....1.0 L

Wolfe's Mineral Solution:

Available from ATCC as a sterile ready-to-use liquid (Trace Mineral Supplement, catalog no. MD-TMS).

Nitrilotriacetic acid.....1.5 g
MgSO₄ · 7H₂O3.0 g
MnSO₄ · H₂O0.5 g
NaCl.....1.0 g
FeSO₄ · 7H₂O0.1 g
CoCl₂ · 6H₂O0.1 g
CaCl₂.....0.1 g
ZnSO₄ · 7H₂O0.1 g
CuSO₄ · 5H₂O0.01 g
AlK(SO₄)₂ · 12H₂O.....0.01 g
H₃BO₃0.01 g
Na₂MoO₄ · 2H₂O.....0.01 g
Distilled water.....1.0 L

Add nitrilotriacetic acid to approximately 500 ml of water and adjust to pH 6.5 with KOH to dissolve the compound. Bring volume to 1.0 L with remaining water and add remaining compounds one at a time.

Prepare the following stocks for delivery with the tubes of medium:

1.0 M Acetate stock solution:

Add 13.6 g sodium acetate to 80.0 ml distilled water. Bring volume to 100.0 ml.

Bubble with N₂ for 45 minutes; filter-sterilize.

500.0mM Fe(III)NTA Stock Solution:

Add 8.2 g NaHCO₃ to 70.0 ml distilled water.

Add 12.8 g of sodium nitrilotriacetic acid (NTA).

Add 13.5 g FeCl₃ · 6H₂O.

Adjust pH to 6.5 using 10 N NaOH; bring solution to final volume of 100 ml; ingredients will go into solution after stirring for 15 minutes.

Bubble with anaerobic gas (N₂) for 45 minutes and then filter-sterilize (0.2-micron filter).

Dispense into a sterile, anaerobic, serum bottle.