

# PRODUCT INFORMATION



## Brilliant Green Bile Agar

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### DESCRIPTION

Brilliant Green Bile Agar is used for the detection, isolation and enumeration of coliform bacteria in water, food, and sewage. The APHA recommends the use of this medium as an indication of the extent of contamination. The selective agents in the medium are brilliant green and bile, which inhibit gram positive and most gram negative bacteria, except coliforms. Basic fuchsin and eriochlorine are pH indicators. Lactose-fermenting bacteria (*E.coli*) produce deep red colonies. Agar is the gellifying agent.

### PREPARATION

Mix 20.6 grams of the medium in one liter of purified water until evenly dispersed. Heat with repeated stirring until boiling to dissolve completely. Distribute and autoclave at 121°C for 15 minutes. **\*\*Medium must be protected from light and used the same day it is made.**

#### Formula\* per Liter:

Pancreatic Digest of Gelatin .....	8.35g
Ox bile .....	2.95mg
Monopotassium Phosphate .....	15.3mg
Lactose .....	1.9g
Erioglaucine .....	64.9mg
Brilliant Green .....	29.5µg
Basic Fuchsin .....	77.6mg
Sodium Sulfite.....	25.0mg
Ferric Chloride .....	29.5mg
Agar .....	10.15g

**Final pH:** 6.9 ± 0.2 at 25°C

\* Grams per liter may be adjusted or formula supplemented to obtain desired performance.

### QUALITY CONTROL SPECIFICATIONS

1. The powder is homogeneous, free flowing, and light to medium purple in color.
2. Visually the prepared medium is trace to slightly haze, and blue in color.
3. Expected cultural response after 18-24 hours at 35°C:

Organism	Growth	Colony Morphology/ Reaction
<i>Enterobacter aerogenes</i> ATCC® 13048	Good Growth	Pink colonies
<i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC® 25922	Good Growth	Red colonies
<i>Salmonella typhimurium</i> ATCC® 14028	Good Growth	Colorless to Light Pink colonies
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> ATCC® 25923	Partial to Complete Inhibition	Colorless colonies, or N/A

### STORAGE

Store the sealed bottle containing the dehydrated medium at 2 to 30°C. Once opened and recapped, place the container in a low humidity environment at the same storage temperature. Protect it from moisture and light. The dehydrated medium should be discarded if it is not free flowing, or if the color has changed from the original color.

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