

ATCC Catalog No. 6739**Organism: *Sordaria fimicola*****ATCC Medium No. 336 Potato Dextrose Agar**

Diced potatoes, 300.0 g

Glucose, 20.0 g

Agar, 15.0 g

Distilled water, 1.0 L

Boil finely diced potatoes in 500 ml of water until thoroughly cooked; filter through cheesecloth and add water to filtrate to 1.0 L.

Heat the filtrate to dissolve the agar.

Add the glucose before sterilization.

Autoclave at 121°C for 15 min.

Temperature: 25°C**Biosafety Level: 1**

Appropriate safety procedures should always be used with this material. Laboratory safety is discussed in the following publication: *Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories*, 4th ed. HHS Publication No. (CDC) 93-8395. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Washington DC: U.S. Government Printing Office; 1999. The entire text is available online at www.cdc.gov/od/ohs/biosfty/bmbl4/bmbl4toc.htm.

Propagation Procedure

Frozen ampules packed in dry ice should either be thawed immediately or stored in liquid nitrogen vapor. If liquid nitrogen storage facilities are not available, frozen ampules may be stored at or below -70°C for approximately one week. **Do not under any circumstance store frozen ampules at refrigerator freezer temperatures (generally -20°C).** Storage of frozen material at this temperature may result in the death of the culture.

1. To thaw a frozen ampule, place in a 55°C water bath, until just thawed (approximately 90 seconds). Immerse the ampule just enough to cover the frozen material. Do not agitate the ampule.

2. Immediately after thawing, aseptically transfer the contents of the vial onto appropriate solid or liquid medium.

3. Incubate at recommended temperature.

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