

# Fast-Media® LB Agar

# Safety data sheet

Prepared in accordance with Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH)

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# SECTION 1. Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

**Product name and description** LB agar

Trade name/BrandFast Media® LB agarSynonymsLuria-Bertani agarREACH NumberNot applicable, mixtureCAS NumberNot applicable, mixtureEC NumberNot applicable, mixture

**Recommended use**This LB agar medium should be prepared by microwaving, not by

autoclaving.

Refer to the Teacher's guide of the NCBE Bacterial transformation kit (see

Section 16).

**Uses advised against** This product is for laboratory use only.

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## SECTION 2. Hazards identification

Classification according to

Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP] Unclassified

**Label elements** None required

Other hazards None

# SECTION 3. Composition/information on ingredients

Name of component (Synonym) [CLP index number]	Weight (%)	EC (EINECS) number	CAS number	REACH registration number	Classification under Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 [CLP]
LB agar* (Luria-Bertani agar) [Not indexed under CLP yet]	100	-	-	-	-

<sup>\*</sup> The suppliers of the product do not provide a list of its contents. There are many slightly different recipes for LB agar — all, however, contain salt (sodium chloride), tryptone, yeast extract and agar.

#### SECTION 4. First aid measures

**General information** If symptoms occur or in all cases of doubt, seek medical advice. Show this

Safety Data Sheet to the doctor in attendance.

**Inhalation** May be harmful if inhaled. Move the victim to fresh air. If the victim has stopped

breathing artificial respiration and/or oxygen may be necessary. Call a doctor

immediately.

**Skin contact** Wash the affected area with soap and plenty of water. Seek medical

attention if irritation occurs.

**Eye contact** Check for and remove contact lenses if present. Rinse opened eye immediately

with running water, also wash under the eyelids, for several minutes. Seek

medical advice if irritation occurs.

**Ingestion**Unlikely to be harmful if swallowed. Rinse out mouth with water, then drink

plenty of water. Do not induce vomiting. Seek medical help if the person feels

unwell.

**Self-protection of the first aider** Rinse your hands with water after handling anything that has been

contaminated with the agar powder.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

**effects, both acute and delayed**Not applicable.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment

If in contact with the eyes or skin, wash with water. If ingested, do not induce

vomiting. If the victim is conscious, rinse the mouth with water.

**Advice to doctor** Treat symptomatically.

# SECTION 5. Firefighting measures

The mixture is not flammable, although the paper packaging is.

#### **Extinguishing media**

Water spray, carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder or appropriate foam.

### Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

No information available.

#### Advice for firefighters

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for fighting fire if necessary.

### SECTION 6. Accidental release measures

#### Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

If spilt, avoid raising a dust. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Wear a lab coat and eye protection (see Section 7).

#### **Environmental precautions**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.

#### Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Wipe up the spill and place in closed containers for disposal.

#### Reference to other sections

See Section 13 for disposal instructions.

# SECTION 7. Handling and storage

#### Precautions for safe handling

Wear a lab coat to prevent any spills from damaging clothing. Eye protection should be worn by teachers or technicians when preparing the medium, although it is not necessary for students to do so when they are handling the petri dishes of prepared media. Be aware that when the medium is prepared in a microwave oven, it can boil up suddenly and unexpectedly. Wear heat-proof gloves when handling the hot liquid medium. Refer to the NCBE *Bacterial transformation kit* Teacher's guide for full instructions on preparing the medium.

#### Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a dry place at room temperature. The unopened medium will be stable at room temperature for up to two years. Prepared plates of the medium will be stable for 4 weeks if refrigerated at 4 °C.

#### Specific end use(s)

In the NCBE Bacterial transformation kit, this plain LB medium is used for diluting the LB medium that also contains X-Gal and kanamycin.

# SECTION 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

## **Control parameters**

Exposure limitsNo information available.Biological limit valuesNo information available.Derived no effect levelNo information available.Predicated no effect levelNo information available.

#### **Exposure controls**

Handle in accordance with good laboratory hygiene and safety practice. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Wash hands before breaks and after handling the mixture.

# SECTION 9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical statePowder.AppearanceBeige powders.OdourOdourless.pH~7.0

**Flash point**Solubility

Does not flash.
Not applicable.

## SECTION 10. Stability and reactivity

**Chemical stability** Stable for up to two years if kept dry and at room temperature.

**Possibility of hazardous reactions**No information available.

**Conditions to avoid**Moisture. Strong oxidising agents and strong bases.

**Incompatible materials**Hazardous decomposition products
No information available.
No information available.

# SECTION 11. Toxicological information

**Acute toxicity Chronic toxicity**No information available.
No information available.

**Carcinogenicity** No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to

0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

SensitisationNo information available.Mutagenic effectsNo information available.Reproductive effectsNo information available.Developmental effectsNo information available.Target organsNo information available.Endocrine disruptor informationNo information available.

# SECTION 12. Ecological information

Toxicity
Persistence and degradability
Bioaccumulative potential
Mobility in soil
Results of PBT and vPVB assessment
No information available.
No information available.
No information available.
No information available.

Other adverse effects None known.

# SECTION 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste from residues/unused product** Any unused powder should be placed in a sealed container and disposed of

as chemical waste in accordance with local regulations. Used prepared media

should be autoclaved before disposal.

**Contaminated packaging** Dispose of as unused product.

## **SECTION 14. Transport information**

UN number Not applicable.
UN proper shipping name None assigned.
Transport hazard class(es) Non-hazardous.
Packing group Not applicable.
Environmental hazards Not applicable.

**Special precautions for user** Product must be kept dry.

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC code

IMDG (Sea transport)Non-hazardous.ADNR (Inland waterways)Non-hazardous.ADR (Road transport)Non-hazardous.RID (Rail transport)Non-hazardous.ICAO/IATA DGR (Air transport)Non-hazardous.

# SECTION 15. Regulatory information

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture No information available.

#### **Chemical Safety Assessment**

No information available.

#### SECTION 16. Other information

Refer to the Teacher's guide which accompanies the NCBE Bacterial transformation kit. This can be downloaded from the NCBE's Web site: www.ncbe.reading.ac.uk/transformation

The information given in this Safety Data Sheet is based on the present state of our knowledge.

This Safety Data Sheet has been compiled and is solely intended for this product.

This Safety Data Sheet was revised on 1 June 2015, when the older (67/548/EEC [DSD]) safety classifications were deleted.

#### **END OF SAFETY DATA SHEET**