# Kohn Two Tube HiVeg™ Medium No.1 Base

Kohn Two Tube HiVeg Medium No. 1 Base is used for the identification of *Enterobacteriaceae* on the basis of dextrose and mannitol fermentation and urease production.

### Composition \*\* :

<b>Ingredients</b>	<b>Grams/Litre</b>
HiVeg peptone	15.0
HiVeg extract	2.0
Yeast extract	2.0
Dextrose	1.0
Mannitol	10.0
Phenol red	0.05
Agar	16.0

Final pH (at 25°C ) 7.2  $\pm$  0.2

\*\* Formula adjusted, standardized to suit performance parameters.

#### Directions :

Suspend 46 grams in 975 ml distilled water. Heat to boiling to dissolve the medium completely. Sterilize by autoclaving at 10 lbs pressure ( $115^{\circ}C$ ) for 15 minutes. Cool to 60°C and aseptically add 25 ml of sterile 40% (w/v) Urea solution (FD048). Mix well and make slants with a generous butt.

#### Principle and Interpretation :

Kohn Two Tube HiVeg Medium No. 1 Base is prepared by using HiVeg peptone and HiVeg extract which is free of BSE/TSE risks. Russell (1) first introduced Double Sugar Medium. Kohn (2) developed a technique employing two tubes of composite media for study of culture reactions for the identification of the Enterobacteriaceae. Gillies (3) made minor modification in Kohn's media. Kohn Two Tube HiVeg Medium No. 1 Base is the modification of this medium and serves the same purpose. Inoculate pure culture of organisms with a straight wire by stabbing the butt and smearing the surface of the slope. Incubate at 37°C for 18 hours. Organisms capable of fermenting only dextrose show a yellow butt with or without gas formation and the slant remains unchanged (red). A yellow slant indicates the fermentation of mannitol. A positive urease reaction is shown by a deep cerise (light red) colour of whole medium.

#### Quality Control :

#### Appearance of powder

Pink coloured, homogeneous, free flowing powder.

#### Gelling

Firm, comparable with 1.6% Agar gel.

## **Colour and Clarity**

Pink coloured, clear to slightly opalescent gel forms in tubes as slants with a generous butt.

#### Reaction

Reaction of 4.6% w/v aqueous solution is pH  $~7.2~\pm~0.2$  at 25°C.

Product Profile :				
Vegetable based (Code MV)	Animal based (Code M)			
<b>MV142</b> HiVeg peptone HiVeg extract	<b>M142</b> Peptic digest of animal tissue Beef extract			
Recommended for	: The identification of Enterobacteriaceae on the basis of dextrose and mannitol fermentation and urease production.			
Reconstitution	: 46.0 g/l			
Quantity on preparation (500g)	: 10.86 L			
(100g)	: 2.17 L			
pH (25°C)	: 7.2 ± 0.2			
Supplement	: 40% Urea Solution (FD048)			
Sterilization	: 115°C / 15 minutes.			
Storage : Dry Medium - Below 30°C, Prepared Medium 2 - 8°C.				

#### **Cultural Response**

Cultural characteristics observed after an incubation at 35-37°C for 18-24 hours with added sterile 40% w/v Urea Solution (FD048).

Organisms (ATCC)	Fermentation of Dextrose	Fermentation of Mannitol	Urease production	
Proteus vulgaris (13315)	(-)	(-)	+	
Salmonella serotype	А	A	-	
Typhi (6539)				
Salmonella serotype	AG	A	-	
Enteritidis (13076)				
Shigella flexneri (12022)	A	A	-	
Shigella sonnei (25931)	A	A	-	
Key : A = Acid production, yellow colour				
AG = Acid and gas production				
<ul> <li>– Negative reaction, no colour change</li> </ul>				

- (-) = Apparent negative reaction, urease activity masks
- fermentation reaction.
- + = positive, Cerise colour

#### References :

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#### MV142 Kohn Two Tube HiVeg Medium No. 1 Base

Control
 Salmonella serotype Typhi
 Salmonella serotype Enteritidis
 Proteus vulgaris



• Prepared from GMO free Vegetable proteins replacing Animal based peptones. Freedom from BSE/TSE worries.