Letheen HiVeg Agar / Broth

**Product Profile:**

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<th>Ingredient</th>
<th>MV414 Grams/Litre</th>
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<td>HiVeg peptone</td>
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<td>Lecithin</td>
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<td>Agar</td>
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**Recommended for:** Determination of bactericidal activity of quaternary ammonium compounds using *Escherichia coli* or *Staphylococcus aureus*.

**Reconstitution:**

- (MV414): 32.0 g/l
- (MV165): 25.7 g/l

**Quantity on preparation (500g):**

- (MV414): 15.62 L
- (MV165): 19.45 L

**pH (25°C):** 7.0 ± 0.2

**Supplement:** None

**Sterilization:** 121°C / 15 minutes.

**Storage:** Dry Medium and Prepared Medium 2 - 8°C.

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**Composition**:

- **Vegetable based (Code MV)**
  - HiVeg peptone: 10.00 g/L
  - HiVeg hydrolysate: 5.00 g/L
  - HiVeg extract: 3.00 g/L
  - Dextrose: 1.00 g/L
  - Polysorbate 80: 7.00 g/L
  - Sodium chloride: 5.00 g/L
  - Lecithin: 1.00 g/L
  - Agar: 15.00 g/L

- **Animal based (Code M)**
  - M414/M165 peptone digest of animal tissue
  - Beef extract: 5.00 g/L
  - Casein enzymic hydrolysate: 0.70 g/L

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**Principle and Interpretation:**

These media are prepared by completely replacing animal based peptones with vegetable peptones which are free from BSE/TSE risks. These media are the modification of Tryptone Glucose Extract Agar developed according to APHA (1) for use in the microbiological examination of water which was further modified by Weber and Black (2) with addition of lecithin and polysorbate 80 which resulted in a medium that effectively neutralizes quaternary ammonium compounds in the testing of germicidal activity (3). HiVeg extract, HiVeg hydrolysate or HiVeg peptone, dextrose supply nitrogenous compounds, carbon, sulphur and other trace elements to the organisms. Lecithin and polysorbate 80 enables the recovery of bacteria from solutions containing residues of disinfectant used in sanitization of utensils and equipments. Lecithin neutralizes quaternary ammonium compounds and polysorbate 80 neutralizes phenolic disinfectants, hexachlorophene and formalin (4, 5). Dehydrated medium may appear moist with 'brown sugar' appearance, does not indicate deterioration.

**Quality Control:**

- **Appearance of Powder**
  - Dark yellow coloured may have slight lumps.

- **Gelling**
  - Firm, comparable with 1.5% Agar gel of MV414.

- **Colour and Clarity**
  - Light yellow coloured, clear to slightly opalescent gel forms in petri plates, clear solution in tubes.

- **Reaction**
  - Reaction of 3.2% w/v of MV414 or 2.57% w/v of MV165 aqueous solution is pH 7.0 ± 0.2 at 25°C.

- **Cultural Response**
  - Cultural characteristics observed after an incubation at 35-37°C for 24 - 48 hours.

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<td><em>Escherichia coli</em> (25922)</td>
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<td><em>Staphylococcus aureus</em> (6538)</td>
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<td>good to luxuriant</td>
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**References:**

5. MacFaddin J.F., 2000 (ed), Biochemical Tests for Identification of Medical Bacteria, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, Lippincott Williams and Wilkins, New York

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