

141: METHANOGENIUM MEDIUM (H₂/CO₂)

This recipe contains strain-specific modifications for *Methanococcus voltae* DSM 4254 *

Final pH: 6.8 - 7.0

Final volume: 1013 ml

KCl	0.34	g
MgCl ₂ x 6 H ₂ O	4.00	g
MgSO ₄ x 7 H ₂ O	3.45	g
NH ₄ Cl	0.25	g
CaCl ₂ x 2 H ₂ O	0.14	g
K ₂ HPO ₄	0.14	g
NaCl	18.00	g
Modified Wolin's mineral solution	10.00	ml
Fe(NH ₄) ₂ (SO ₄) ₂ x 6 H ₂ O (0.1% w/v)	2.00	ml
Na-acetate	1.00	g
Yeast extract (OXOID)	2.00	g
Trypticase peptone (BD BBL)	2.00	g
Sodium resazurin (0.1% w/v)	0.50	ml
Wolin's vitamin solution	10.00	ml
NaHCO ₃	5.00	g
L-Cysteine HCl x H ₂ O	0.50	g
Na ₂ S x 9 H ₂ O	0.50	g
L-Histidine	0.08	g
Distilled water	1000.00	ml

1. Note: If the medium is being used without overpressure then adjust pH with a small amount of sterile anoxic 1 N HCl, if necessary.

2. Dissolve ingredients (except bicarbonate, vitamins, cysteine and sulfide), sparge medium with 80% H₂ and 20% CO₂ gas mixture for 30 - 45 min to make it anoxic. Add and dissolve bicarbonate and adjust pH to 6.5, then dispense medium under 80% H₂ and 20% CO₂ gas atmosphere into anoxic Hungate-type tubes or serum vials to 30% of their volume and autoclave. After sterilization add cysteine and sulfide from sterile anoxic stock solutions autoclaved under 100% N₂ gas. Vitamins are prepared under 100% N₂ gas atmosphere and sterilized by filtration. Adjust pH of complete medium to 6.8 - 7.0, if necessary.

3. For incubation use sterile 80% H₂ and 20% CO₂ gas mixture at two atmospheres of pressure.

* Add a filter-sterilized, anoxic solution of L-histidine to a final concentration of 80.00 mg/l.

Modified Wolin's mineral solution (from medium 141)

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Nitrilotriacetic acid	1.50	g
MgSO ₄ x 7 H ₂ O	3.00	g
MnSO ₄ x H ₂ O	0.50	g
NaCl	1.00	g
FeSO ₄ x 7 H ₂ O	0.10	g
CoSO ₄ x 7 H ₂ O	0.18	g
CaCl ₂ x 2 H ₂ O	0.10	g
ZnSO ₄ x 7 H ₂ O	0.18	g
CuSO ₄ x 5 H ₂ O	0.01	g
AlK(SO ₄) ₂ x 12 H ₂ O	0.02	g
H ₃ BO ₃	0.01	g
Na ₂ MoO ₄ x 2 H ₂ O	0.01	g
NiCl ₂ x 6 H ₂ O	0.03	g
Na ₂ SeO ₃ x 5 H ₂ O	0.30	mg
Na ₂ WO ₄ x 2 H ₂ O	0.40	mg
Distilled water	1000.00	ml

First dissolve nitrilotriacetic acid and adjust pH to 6.5 with KOH, then add minerals. Adjust final to pH 7.0 with KOH.

Wolin's vitamin solution (from medium 141)

Biotin	2.00	mg
Folic acid	2.00	mg
Pyridoxine hydrochloride	10.00	mg
Thiamine HCl	5.00	mg
Riboflavin	5.00	mg
Nicotinic acid	5.00	mg
Calcium D-(+)-pantothenate	5.00	mg
Vitamin B ₁₂	0.10	mg
p-Aminobenzoic acid	5.00	mg
(DL)-alpha-Lipoic acid	5.00	mg
Distilled water	1000.00	ml