

**976. METHYLOPHAGA ALCALICA MEDIUM**

$\text{KH}_2\text{PO}_4$	1.00	g
$\text{KNO}_3$	1.00	g
$\text{MgSO}_4 \times 7 \text{H}_2\text{O}$	0.22	g
$\text{NaCl}$	30.00	g
$\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$	5.00	g
Trace elements	1.00	ml
Distilled water	1000.00	ml

Final pH 9.5

*Trace elements solution:*

Ferric citrate	30.00	mg
$\text{CaCl}_2 \times 2 \text{H}_2\text{O}$	30.00	mg
$\text{MgCl}_2 \times 4 \text{H}_2\text{O}$	5.00	mg
$\text{ZnSO}_4 \times 7 \text{H}_2\text{O}$	5.00	mg
$\text{CuSO}_4 \times 5 \text{H}_2\text{O}$	0.50	g
Distilled water	1000.00	ml

Prepare the medium without the  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ , which can be sterilised separately by autoclaving. 10 ml/l sterile methanol is added to the cooled medium. When preparing liquid media cool the mineral salts solution and  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  to room temperature before mixing. When preparing agar add 2.0 % agar to the mineral salts solution and autoclave. Cool the  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  stock solution and agar to 50-55°C before mixing.