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LB Media

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ABSTRACT

LB (Luria-Bertani) media is commonly used for bacterial culture. We use it for overnight cultures after transformations.

THIS PROTOCOL ACCOMPANIES THE FOLLOWING PUBLICATION

Taken from Benchling Protocol

MATERIALS

NAME ▾	CATALOG # ▾	VENDOR ▾
Yeast Extract	Y1625	
Sodium Chloride	PubChem CID: 5234	
Tryptone	BP1421-500	Fisher Scientific

MATERIALS TEXT

- 1 Liter Glass Bottle
- Autoclave
- Stirring plate and magnetic stirrer

Creating the Broth

2m

- Put a stir bar into a 1L glass bottle and fill the glass bottle with 1L of DI water (using a graduated cylinder). Mark the level of the water with a thin Sharpie or label tape. Pour out ~50mL of the water.



We do this step because QSing the media in a graduated cylinder gets messy - it's often difficult to transfer the solute back and forth.

- In a large glass bottle (at least 1L), add the following:

10m

Component	Amount
Deionized Water	📄 950 ml
Tryptone	📄 10 g
Yeast Extract	📄 5 g

NaCl

 10 g

(You do not have to add the exact amount of water, just make sure it is close to 950mL).

3 Shake or stir to dissolve all the solutes.

20m

4 Optional: We have never done this step, but it is recommended by the Sambrook Molecular Cloning manual.

10m

Adjust the pH of the solution to 7.0 using 5M NaOH (~0.2mL).

5 QS the solution to the mark you made in Step 1 (1L) using DI water.

1m

Sterilizing the Broth

1h

6 Autoclave bottle following Autoclave protocol on the liquid cycle. Choose the appropriate cycle for the amount of liquid you have. Make sure the bottle cap is on loosely

7 Let bottle cool on the lab bench with loose cap

30m

8 Keep bottle in the cold room for storage, with the cap tightly closed. Make sure you keep the bottle STERILE. We want a clear solution and nothing growing in our broth



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