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Protocols



A CUSTOMIZABLE BIODETECTION SYSTEM

STAB CULTURE

Aim: To store a clone of bacteria to be used later.

Material:

- Microbiology material (click on this link)
- LB medium
- antibiotic (Carbenicillin or Chloramphenicol at 50 μg/ml or 34 μg/ml respectively in our experiments)
- agar
- 2 ml screw-cap vial under sterile conditions

Protocol:

- 1. Prepare and autoclave 0.7% LB agar (standard LB medium containing 7 g/L agar).
- 2. Cool the LB agar to below 50°C (when you can hold it comfortably) and add the appropriate antibiotic(s). While still liquid, add 1 ml agar to a 2 ml screw-cap vial under sterile conditions, then let solidify.
- 3. Using a sterile toothpick, pick a single colony from a freshly grown plate and stab it deep into the soft agar several times.
- 4. Incubate the vial at 37°C for 8–12 h leaving the cap slightly loose.
- 5. Seal the vial tightly and store in a dark place, preferably at 4°C.

