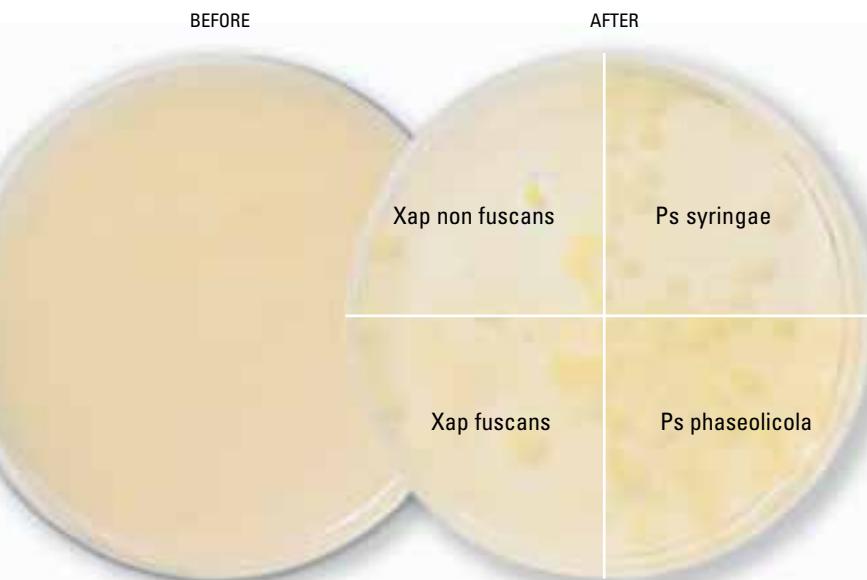


# M5133

## MT Medium

Crop: **Bean (*Phaseolus vulgaris*)**  
 Disease: **Bacterial brown spot, common blight and halo blight**  
 Pathogen: ***Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *syringae***  
***Pseudomonas savastanoi* pv. *phaseolicola***  
***Xanthomonas axonopodis* pv. *phaseoli***



The MT (Milk-Tween) Medium is a semi-selective medium for the detection of *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *syringae* (*Pss*), *Pseudomonas savastanoi* pv. *phaseolicola* (*Pspha*) and *Xanthomonas axonopodis* pv. *phaseoli* (*Xap*) in bean seed. The medium relies on the ability of the micro-organisms to hydrolyze casein. Suspected isolates are transferred to YDC (*Xap*) or KB (*Pss* and *Pspha*). Finally, the identity of suspected colonies is determined by PCR or a pathogenicity test. The colonies of *Pspha* and *Pss* are cream white, flat circular, 4-5 mm in diameter and produce a blue fluorescent pigment under UV light. *Xap* colonies (3 – 3.5 mm in diameter) are yellow, non fluorescent and typical two zones surround colonies: a bigger, clear zone of casein hydrolysis and a smaller zone of Tween 80 lipolysis. *Xap* var. *fuscans* (1 – 2 mm in diameter) produces a brown pigment within 5 days.

**COMPOSITION OF MEDIA  
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COMPOUND	GRAM/LITER
Proteose Peptone	10.0
Calcium chloride anhydrous (CaCl <sub>2</sub> anhydrous)	0.25
Tyrosine	0.5
Agar	15.0

**METHOD**

- Dissolve 25.7 grams of ingredients in distilled water and adjust volume to 800 ml.
- Dissolve 10 ml Tween 80 in distilled water and adjust volume to 100 ml.
- Dissolve 10 g of skim milk powder in 100 ml distilled water.
- Autoclave the solutions separately (121 °C, 15 psi for 15 minutes).
- Prepare sterile antibiotic solutions and add the following amounts per liter medium:
  - 80 mg cephalixin monohydrate (C0110)
  - 35 mg nystatin (N0138)
  - 10 mg vancomycin HCl (V0155)
- Allow medium to cool down to ca. 45 °C – 50 °C and add the Tween, skim milk powder and antibiotics solutions.
- Mix gently to avoid air bubbles and pour plates (20 ml per 9.0 cm plate).

**Reference:**

Goszczynska and Serfontein, 1998 "Milk-Tween agar, a semiselective medium for isolation and differentiation of *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *syringae*, *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *phaseolicola* and *Xanthomonas axonopodis* pv. *phaseoli*", Journal of Microbiological Methods 32: 65-72.

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K5133.1000                    1 kg

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