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Doctor W. A. Hinton, Wassermann Laboratory, Department of Public Health, 240 Longwood Avenue, Boston, Mass.

Dear Doctor Hinton,

The semi-solid medium which we use for our stock gonococcus cultures is prepared by using beef heart or veal infusion broth to which is added 0.25% agar and 1% glucose. The Ph. is from 7.2 to 7.4. We find this medium excellent for stock as one only needs to make transplants once in 3 weeks or even once a month.

Before preparing a vactine or antigen, we transplant for several generations on North Medium. This is slightly complicated in preparing.

## FOR ULA FOR NORTH MEDIUM.

Veal or Beef heart Infusion	-	5,000	C.C.
Agar l <sub>2</sub> %		75	grams
Peptone (Fairchilds)		100	41
Sod. Chloride, 0.5%		25	77

Autoclave one half hour at 15 lbs. Then add Gelatine 2%, adjust reaction to Ph. 8.2 in order to obtain a final of 7.5.

Add 4 eggs woll beaten and heat in Arnold

one hour to clear.

Filter through cotton. Determine reaction and adjust if necessary. Tube or bottle, sterilize in Autoclave one half hour at 15 lbs.

Conococci, on solid Medium, should be transplanted twice a week. They should at all times be kept in the Incubator.

Gonococci grow well on the ordinary glucose serum agar which is much more easily prepared then is North.

Hoping you will find this information satis-

factory,

Very sincerely yours,

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