

# Preparation of media

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# 1 M9-based minimal media

**Estimated bench time:** 30 minutes

**Estimated total time:** 3 hours

**Purpose:** Preparation of media used for bacterial growth in phage experiments.

## 1.1 Materials

- Autoclaved 5x M9 salts
- 1 M MgSO<sub>4</sub>
- 100 mM CaCl<sub>2</sub>
- 1.5 M MgCl
- 3 g/L FeSO<sub>4</sub>
- 100 g/L glucose
- Sterile deionized H<sub>2</sub>O
- 0.22- $\mu$ M filter

## 1.2 Setup & protocol

*This medium is based on Santos, et al. (2014). PloS one, 9(7); and Sambrook J, Russell DW (2001) Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual with some slight adaptations of our own.*

- 1L 5x M9 salts should be prepared as followed:

Compound	Amount (g)
Na <sub>2</sub> HPO <sub>4</sub> ·2H <sub>2</sub> O	37.6
KH <sub>2</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	15
NaCl	2.5
NH <sub>4</sub> Cl	5

- The 5x M9 salts must be sterilized by autoclaving.
- The medium (100 mL) should be formed as in the table below. The MgSO<sub>4</sub>, MgCl, CaCl<sub>2</sub> and glucose should be prepared separately and sterilized by passing through a 0.22- $\mu$ m filter before adding to the diluted M9 salts to prevent precipitation.

Compound	Amount
5x M9 salts	20 mL
1 M MgSO <sub>4</sub>	200 $\mu$ L
100 mM CaCl <sub>2</sub>	100 $\mu$ L
1.5 M MgCl	333 $\mu$ L
3 g/L FeSO <sub>4</sub>	100 $\mu$ L
100 g/L glucose	5 mL
Sterile deionized H <sub>2</sub> O	Up to 100 mL

- The medium should be made on the day of use and fresh medium should be made daily.