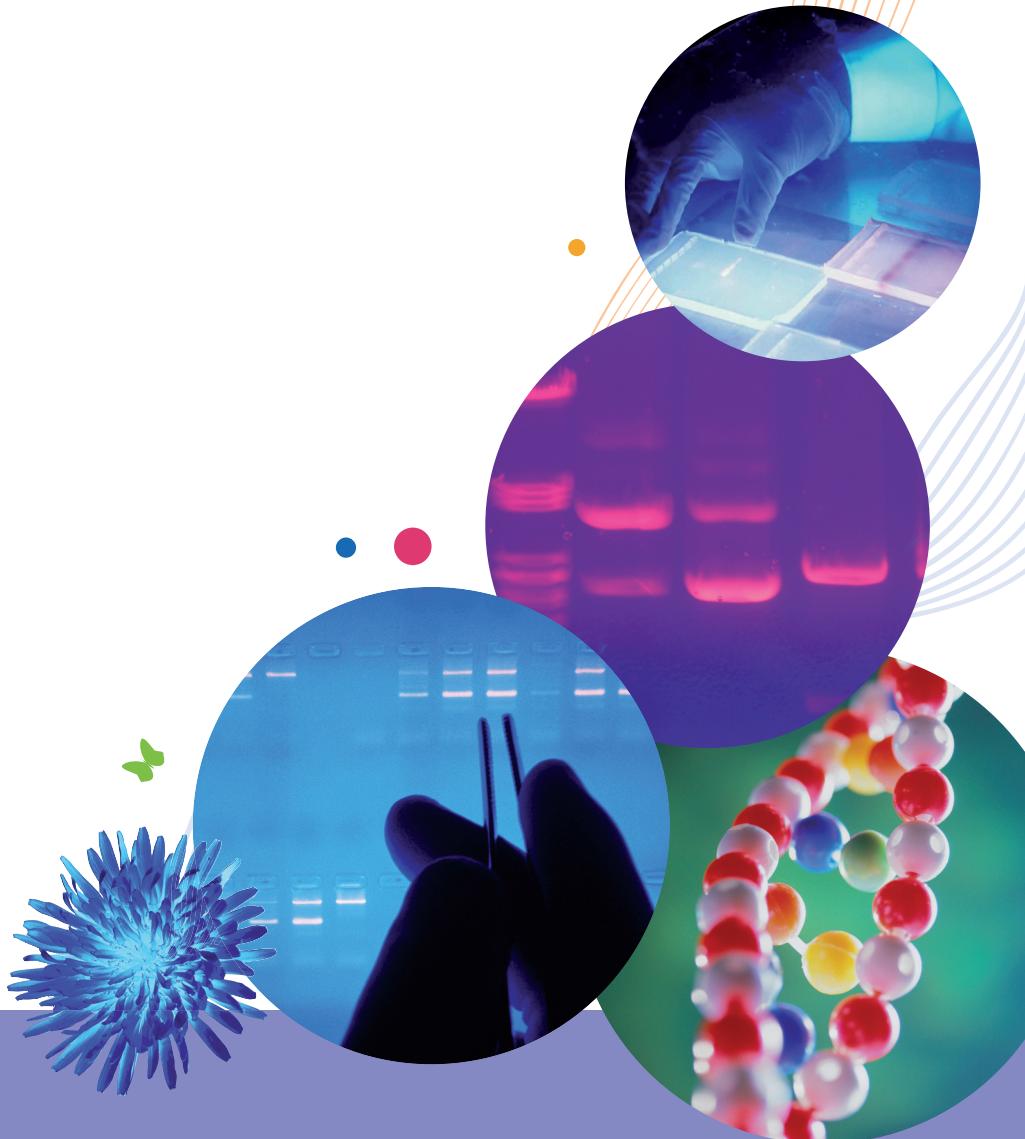




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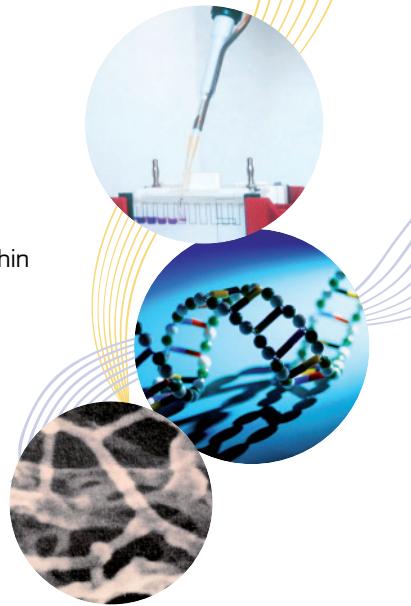
Agaroses

types, applications & concentrations

Agarose is a fraction extracted from agar-producing seaweeds and is mainly responsible for the agar's gelling power. It exhibits a high hysteresis (difference between melting and gelling temperatures) making it ideal for separations such as electrophoresis and chromatography within the fields of Molecular Biology and Biochemistry.

Specifically, the gelling temperature range is 32 - 45°C, and the melting temperature range is normally 80 - 95°C, although these can be modified when preparing products for specific uses.

Agarose is a neutral and toxic-free material so it can be handled freely. In addition to its uses in gels, agarose can be used to form support structures such as beads, to which proteins, such as enzymes and antibodies, as well as other products, including dyes and antigens, can be fixed for separations. Agarose is an indispensable tool for Molecular Biology, Biochemistry, Cell Structure and Microbiology.



Applications

	Analytical separation ≥1000 bp	Analytical separation ≤1000 bp	Preparative electrophoresis	PFGE	DNA typing	Blotting	Fine resolution	In-gel applications	Protein electrophoresis
D1 LE	●				●	●			
D1 ME/HE									●
D1 LE GQT	●		●		●	●			
D2	●								●
D5	●			●		●			
FP DNA	●				●	●			
LM	●								
LM GQT	●			●				●	
LM Sieve		●	●				●	●	
Novagel GQT	●	●					●	●	
MS4		●							●
MS6		●							●
MS8		●							●
MS12		●				●			

Comparative

CONDA	LONZA
D1 LE	Seakem LE
D1 ME	Seakem ME
D1 LE GQT	Seakem LE GQT
D2	Seakem HGT
D5	Seakem GOLD
FP DNA	-
LM	SeaPlaque
LM GQT	SeaPlaque GQT
LM Sieve	NuSieve GTG
Novagel GQT	NuSieve GTG
MS4	-
MS6	-
MS8	Metaphor
MS12	NuSieve 3:1

Standard concentrations for DNA resolution

	Buffer 1X TAE Range [bp]	Gel concentration [%]	Buffer 1X TBE Range [bp]
D1 LE / D1 LE GQT	20.000 - 1.000	0,6	15.000 - 1.000
	12.000 - 500	0,8	10.000 - 500
	8.000 - 300	1,0	7.000 - 250
	6.000 - 200	1,2	5.000 - 200
	3.500 - 100	1,5	3.000 - 100
	2.000 - 50	2,0	2.000 - 50
D5	40.000 - 3.000	0,3	20.000 - 2.000
	22.000 - 2.000	0,5	12.000 - 1.500
	15.000 - 1.000	0,8	9.000 - 1.000
	10.000 - 400	1,0	6.000 - 500
	5.000 - 200	1,8	3.000 - 200
LM / LM GQT	20.000 - 500	0,75	12.000 - 500
	16.000 - 300	1,00	8.000 - 300
	10.000 - 250	1,25	4.000 - 200
	5.000 - 200	1,50	3.000 - 150
	2.500 - 100	1,75	2.000 - 100
	1.500 - 50	2,00	1.000 - 50

	Buffer 1X TAE Range [bp]	Gel concentration [%]	Buffer 1X TBE Range [bp]
LM / SIEVE / NOVAGEL GQT	1.500 - 500	2,0	1.000 - 400
	700 - 150	3,0	500 - 100
	300 - 70	4,0	150 - 10
	50 - 10	5,0	≤ 30
MS4	500 - 80	3,0	300 - 50
	300 - 30	4,0	100 - 10
	200 - 10	5,0	≤ 100
MS6 / MS8	1.200 - 400	1,8	1.200 - 100
	800 - 150	3,0	700 - 40
	500 - 20	4,0	200 - 20
	300 - 10	5,0	≤ 100
MS12	1.500 - 500	2,0	1.200 - 400
	1.200 - 300	3,0	800 - 100
	600 - 150	4,0	500 - 50
	250 - 30	5,0	250 - 20

Standard agaroses: D1 Low EEO [0.05–0.13]

- ✓ Standard agaroses for routine analysis of nucleic acid fragments
- ✓ Separation range: $\geq 1,000$ bp
- ✓ Optimum gel concentration: 0.75%, 1% and 1.25%
- ✓ Gelling temperature (1.5%): $36 \pm 1.5^\circ\text{C}$
- ✓ Melting temperature (1.5%): $88 \pm 1.5^\circ\text{C}$
- ✓ Applications: suitable for nucleic acid electrophoresis, blotting and radial immunodiffusion of proteins

Other standard agaroses:

- D1 Low EEO GQT (Genetic Quality Tested): Standard agarose with **GQT (Genetic Quality Tested) certificate**. Useful when recovering DNA fragments before enzymatic processes or cloning.
- D1 Medium EEO [0.16-0.19]: Useful for nucleic acid electrophoresis; serum protein electrophoresis and immunoelectrophoresis.
- D1 High EEO [0.23-0.26]: Suitable for electrophoresis of serum proteins, immunoelectrophoresis and counterimmunoelectrophoresis.
- D2 High Gelling Temperature: High gelling temperature agarose, $42 \pm 1.5^\circ\text{C}$, giving higher thermal stability to gels than D1-HE. Applications: Useful for preparation of agarose beads; protein electrophoresis and crossed immunoelectrophoresis.

Low melting point agaroses: LM Sieve agarose

The low melting temperature of these agaroses allows for the recovery of undamaged nucleic acids at a temperature lower than their denaturing temperature.

- ✓ Low gelling/melting point agarose, **GQT grade certified** with the highest resolving capacity for small fragments
- ✓ Separation range: 200 - 800 bp
- ✓ Optimum gel concentration: $\geq 2\%$
- ✓ Gelling temperature (4%): $\leq 35^\circ\text{C}$
- ✓ Melting temperature (4%): $\leq 65^\circ\text{C}$
- ✓ Applications: **electrophoresis of DNA fragments ≤ 1000 bp; In-Gel enzymatic processing (digestion, ligation, PCR). Analysis and recovery of small DNA fragments for further applications**

Other low melting agaroses:

- LM and LM GQT: highest resolving capacity for **large** DNA fragments (separation: $\geq 1,000$ bp). Two different alternatives: LM Standard and LM GQT (Genetic Quality Tested).
- Novagel GQT: Low melting agarose grade certified. Its high resolution capacity can resolve **small** DNA fragments (separation: 50 – 1,000 bp).

High (DNA) resolution agaroses: MS-6 Metagel

This group of agaroses called “Molecular Screening” (MS) are used for an improved resolution of DNA fragments of ≤ 500 bp, especially sized-primer fragments.

- ✓ Improved resolution efficiency for **small DNA fragments**
- ✓ Improved **gel clarity**, enhancing visualization, even at high concentrations
- ✓ **High gel strength**, which enables an easy handling when used at low concentrations
- ✓ Separation range: 150 - 700 bp
- ✓ Optimum gel concentration: 3%
- ✓ Gelling temperature (3%): $\leq 35^\circ\text{C}$
- ✓ Melting temperature (3%): $\leq 75^\circ\text{C}$

Other high resolution agaroses:

- **MS-4**: recommended for analytical electrophoresis of DNA lower than 500 bp.
- **MS-8**: recommended for analytical gels of DNA lower than 1,200 bp and especially for PCR products.
- **MS-12**: recommended for DNA analytical gels at 2% concentrations, it can separate 50 -1,500 bp fragments.

Other agaroses

- **D5**: High gel strength agarose, not only especially recommended for high molecular weight nucleic acids >1000 bp, including chromosomes, but also for large sized particles like viruses and ribosomes. Strongly recommended for PFGE owing to its high gel strength and its mobility, which is higher than that of standard agarose.
- **FP DNA**: DNA Finger-printing (FP) agarose is a powerful tool for laboratories performing forensic testing, paternity determination, cell line verification and tissue typing.



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CONDA offers a complete line of **agaroses** covering all known applications: **standard agarose** for electrophoresis techniques, **low-melt agarose** for DNA recovery and **high-resolution agarose** for small fragments.



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D1 low EEO	LM	
Cat. No. 8012	100 g	Cat. No. 8050
Cat. No. 8014	250 g	Cat. No. 8051
Cat. No. 8016	500 g	Cat. No. 8052
Cat. No. 8008	1.000 g	LM GQT
D1 low EEO GQT		Cat. No. 8087
Cat. No. 8017	100 g	Cat. No. 8094
Cat. No. 8018	250 g	LM Sieve
Cat. No. 8015	500 g	Cat. No. 8085
D1 medium EEO		Cat. No. 8084
Cat. No. 8020	100 g	Cat. No. 8096
Cat. No. 8021	250 g	Novagel GQT
Cat. No. 8022	500 g	Cat. No. 9021
Cat. No. 8023	1.000 g	Cat. No. 9022
D1 high EEO		Cat. No. 9023
Cat. No. 8025	100 g	MS-4
Cat. No. 8026	250 g	Cat. No. 8075
Cat. No. 8027	500 g	Cat. No. 8076
Cat. No. 8028	1.000 g	Cat. No. 8077
D2 high gelling temperature		MS-6 Metagel
Cat. No. 8033	100 g	Cat. No. 8002
Cat. No. 8034	250 g	Cat. No. 8003
Cat. No. 8038	500 g	Cat. No. 8004
D5 high gel strength		MS-8
Cat. No. 8045	100 g	Cat. No. 8065
Cat. No. 8046	250 g	Cat. No. 8066
Cat. No. 8047	500 g	Cat. No. 8064
FP DNA		MS-12
Cat. No. 8089	100 g	Cat. No. 8067
Cat. No. 8092	250 g	Cat. No. 8068
Cat. No. 8093	500 g	Cat. No. 8069

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