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HYGISLIDE PCA W/NEUT. +TTC

PRINCIPLE AND INTERPRETATION:

Side1/2: PCA w/Neutralisant+TTC: Surface disinfectants are inactivated by Neutralisant.

Plate Count Agar is equivalent to the medium recommended by APHA for the isolation of microorganisms in milk and other dairy products. Tryptone provides amino acids and other complex nitrogenous substances and yeast extract supplies Vitamin B complexes. %2-3-5-triphenyl-2H-tetrazolium chloride sterile solution. It is used as an additive for culture media to show biological activity, since the colourless form gets hydrogenizated or reduced to a red insoluble pigment: triphenyl-formazan, which may be easily observed.

COMPOSITION:

PCA w/Neutralisant+TTC

Ingredients	Gr/Liter
Tripton	5 g
Yeast extract	2,5 g
Glucose	1 g
Lecithin	0,7 g
Tween 80	5 ml
2,3,5 Triphenyltetrazolium Chloride	0,05 g
Agar	9 g

 $pH: 7.1 \pm 0.2$

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE:

Testing Fluids:

- 1. Mix liquid test sample.
- 2. Remove the paddle from the vial. Do not touch the agar surfaces.
- 3. Immerse the slide in the fluid to be tested for about 5-10 seconds. Alternatively expose the slide to a spray or running fluid so that the slide surfaces are covered.
- 4. Both agar surfaces must be completely contacted.
- 5. Allow excess fluid to drain off both paddle agar surfaces.
- 6. Replace the Slide into the tube and twist to tighten the cap. Label the tube with the identification label supplied. Incubate the slide as directed later.

Testing Surfaces:

- 1. Remove the paddle from the vial. Do not touch the agar surfaces.
- 2. To assure an accurate area recovery, contact the paddle to 20²cm of the surface by contacting the surface twice in separate 10²cm areas.
- 3. Replace the Slide into the tube and twist to tighten the cap. Label the tube with the identification label supplied. Incubate the slide as directed later.

QUALITY CONTROL:

1.Sterility Control:

Incubation 2 d at 30-35°C and 3 d at 20-25°C: NO GROWTH

2.Phsical/Chemical Control

pH Apperance:

PCA w/Neutralisant+TTC 7.1 ± 0.2 Light amber

^{***}Formula adjusted, standardized to suit performance parameters



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3.Microbiological Control: Incubate at 35±2 °C 18-24 hours.

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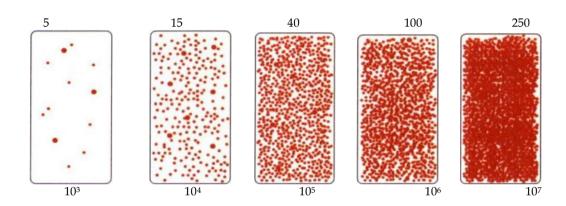
Microorganism	Inoculum (CFU)	Results	
		Growth	Reaction
Staphylococcus aureus ATCC 6538	10-100	Good	Reddish colonies
Escherichia coli ATCC 25922	10-100	Good	Reddish colonies
B.subtilis ATCC 6633	10-100	Good	Reddish colonies

INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS

Compare the slide surfaces against the comparison chart printed below. Read the result corresponding to fluids or surfaces as appropriate. Note that very high levels of organisms could lead to a confluent growth and could be recorded as a nil result. Compare against an unused slide when reading results.

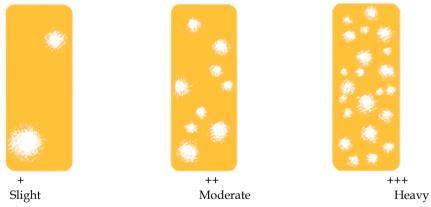
Bacteria Comparison Chart

Surfaces CFU/cm2



Fluids CFU/mL

Fungi Comparison Chart



DISPOSAL:

Incubated Slides may contain active bacteria and micro-organisms. Do not open infected slides except as part of disposal procedure. Infected slides should be autoclaved, incinerated or opened and soaked in a chlorine-based disinfectant (liquid bleach) for 20 minutes prior to disposal.



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STORAGE CONDITIONS AND SHELF LIFE:

Slides should be stored in 2-20 °C. Temperature fluctuations may result in condensation settling at the bottom of the vial, although this does not affect culture properties, it could reduce the shelf-life or cause the agar to separate from the plastic paddle support.

Avoid sudden temperature changes. Shield from direct sunlight. Do not allow paddles to freeze. Do not use any slides which have been inadvertently contaminated during storage and which are already showing growth of micro-organisms

Use before expiry date on the label. Do not use beyond stated expiry date.

PACKAGING:

Katalog Number: 06015

Content/Packaging: 20 Slides/Box

REFERENCES:

- 1. American Public Health Association (1978) Standard Methods for the Examination of Dairy Products. 14th Edn. APHA Inc. Washington DC.
- 2. PHLS Standard methods for the Microbial Examination of Food and Dairy Samples (1999) Aerobic plate count at 30°C F10 & F11

