

LETHEEN BROTH SPONGE-STICK

Presentation

Wired sampling bag containing 1 cellulose sponge-stick dampened with sterile Letheen broth.

Sterilization method

Gamma irradiation.

Application

Used as a dragging swab to test the antimicrobial activity of disinfectants applied to surfaces of sanitary importance.

Principle

The lecithin present in the medium neutralizes quaternary ammonium compounds. Polysorbate 80 neutralizes phenols, hexachlorophenes, and formalin. Together, they neutralize ethanol.

How to use

Remove the swab from the sampling bag and attach it to the handle. Scrub it over the desired surface according to the adopted sampling plan. At the end of the collection, return the swab to the sampling bag and close it. Send the sample to the laboratory and proceed with the analysis according to the methodology adopted by the laboratory.

Quality Control

Test	Result
Sterility	Absence of microbial growth
<i>Salmonella enterica</i> ATCC 14028	Good growth with turbidity of the medium
<i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 25922	Good growth with turbidity of the medium
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> ATCC 25923	Good growth with turbidity of the medium
Appearance	Sponge: yellow to orange-yellow, free of impurities, may contain dark spots. Medium: liquid medium, medium amber, clear, may contain slight precipitate.
pH at 25°C	7.2 ± 0.2

Results interpretation

Microbial growth is evidenced by the turbidity of the medium. If growth is observed, perform microscopic analysis, subculture on selective media, and biochemical tests to identify isolated genera and species, if necessary. Perform the reading according to official compendia or internal laboratory methodology.

Precautions and special care

Product intended for *in vitro* diagnostic use only.

Restricted for use by professionals. Do not inhale or ingest.

Do not use the product beyond the expiration date, with signs of contamination, or if it has changed color. In the presence of contamination, the product should be immediately discarded.

Do not use the product if the packaging is damaged or tampered with.

Storage

Store between 2-35°C in a dry place and protect from light.

Shelf-life

1 year from the date of manufacture.

Disposal of the product

After use, the product must be handled at the generating unit before environmentally appropriate final disposal, in accordance with official regulations.

Quality Guarantee

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