

# **Contact Slide 9**

# PCA + TTC + Neutralizing / PCA + TTC + Neutralizing

Flex Dip-slide with a non selective medium for total bacterial count.

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#### **DESCRIPTION**

Contact Slide 9 is a ready-to-use device with a medium coated onto a plastic support used for the microbial monitoring of surfaces and liquids.

The slide is covered on both sides with PCA + TTC + Neutralizing which allows bacteria to grow as red colonies, even in the presence of residues of disinfectants.

TYPICAL FORMULA	(g/l)
Enzymatic Digest of Casein	5.0
Yeast Extract	2.5
Glucose	1.0
Triphenyl Tetrazolium Chloride	0.1
Neutralizing	*
Agar	15.0
Final pH 7.0 ± 0.2	

#### METHOD PRINCIPLE

PCA + TTC + Neutralizing contains triphenyltetrazolium chloride as growth indicator forming a red insoluble compound which may easily observed. To inactivate residual of disinfectants, the medium is supplied with neutralizing agents: histidine inactivates aldehydes, lecithin neutralizes quaternary ammonium compounds, polysorbate 80 (Tween 80) is effective against phenolic compounds and mercurial derivates and sodium thiosulfate neutralizes halogen compounds.

#### **TEST PROCEDURE**

- 1. Take a slide from the refrigerator and leave it at ambient temperature for about 5 minutes
- 2. Unscrew and extract the slide from its cylindrical container. Avoid any contact with the agar surface.
- 3. For surfaces monitoring, flex the cap forming a 90° angle and press each side of the slide firmly against the surface to be examined for 10 seconds. Alternatively, use a swab for sampling the area, afterwards roll the swab gently over the agar surface.
  - For examination of liquids, hold the slide by the cap and immerse it completely into the test fluid.
- 4. Reinsert the slide into its tube, screw it tight and incubate at  $30 \pm 1$  °C for up to 72 h.

#### **RESULTS INTERPRETATION**

Count the total number of colonies to obtain the total bacterial count.

# **APPEARANCE**

Slightly opalescent, light amber.

### **STORAGE CONDITIONS**

10-25°C away from light, until the expiry date on the label. Eliminate if signs of deterioration or contamination are evident.

#### SHELF LIFE

9 months

<sup>\*</sup>Histidine, 1.0 Lecithin, 0.7 Tween 80, 5.0 Sodium Thiosulfate, 0.5

#### **QUALITY CONTROL**

Slides are inoculated with the microbial strains indicated in the QC table.

Inoculum for productivity: 50-100 CFU. Incubation conditions:  $30 \pm 1^{\circ}$ C for 18-24 h.

# QC Table.

Microorganism		Growth
Escherichia coli	ATCC® 25922	Good, red colonies
Staphylococcus aureus	ATCC® 25923	Good, red colonies
Enterococcus faecalis	ATCC® 29212	Good, red colonies
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	ATCC® 27853	Good, red colonies

## WARNING AND PRECAUTIONS

The product does not contain hazardous substances in concentrations exceeding the limits set by current legislation and therefore is not classified as dangerous. It is nevertheless recommended to consult the safety data sheet for its correct use. The product must be used by properly trained operators only.

#### **DISPOSAL OF WAIST**

Disposal of waist mast be carried out according to national and local regulation in force.

# **BIBLIOGRAPHY**

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PRESENTATION	Packaging	Ref.	
Contact Slide 9	20 slides	525322	
Contact Slide 9	120 slides	53532	

TABLE OF SYMBOLS				
LOT Batch code	Keep away from sunlight	Manufacturer	Use by	Fragile, handle with care
<b>REF</b> Catalogue number	Temperature limitation	Contains sufficient for <n> tests</n>	Caution, consult Instruction For Use	Do not reuse