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# CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

## SF97D

Gridded Cellulose Nitrate Membrane, Sterile

Lot Number : **0000676733**  
 QC Test Date : 20.02.2025  
 Expiry Date : 28.02.2028  
 Release Date : 14.01.2026  
 Store at : Room Temperature

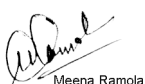
| TEST                                        | SPECIFICATIONS                                                                                                                  | RESULTS  |
|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Description                                 | Gridded white Cellulose Nitrate membrane with 47 mm diameter                                                                    | Complies |
| Pore size                                   | 0.45 µm                                                                                                                         | Complies |
| Bubble point                                | 30.5 to 34.8 psi                                                                                                                | Complies |
| Flow rate (deionized water at 25°C, -10psi) | 75.73 to 81.43 ml/min/cm <sup>2</sup>                                                                                           | Complies |
| Sterility                                   | No bacterial or fungal growth is observed after 14 days of incubation, as per USP specification.                                | Complies |
| Microbial test                              | Retention of 10 <sup>7</sup> organisms/cm <sup>2</sup> Serratia marcescens ATCC14756 challenge. Recovery of Fecal coliform >90% | Complies |

Status of the material : **APPROVED**



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# Technical Data

## HiCrome® Chromogenic Coliform agar (CCA Agar)

M1991I

### Intended Use

Recommended for detection of *Escherichia coli* and coliforms in water samples. The composition and performance criteria of this medium are as per the specifications laid down in ISO 9308-1:2014.

### Composition\*\*

#### ISO 9308-1:2014 Specification -Chromogenic Coliform agar (CCA Agar)

| Ingredients                                                                                                           | g / L        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Enzymatic digest of casein                                                                                            | 1.000        |
| Yeast extract                                                                                                         | 2.000        |
| Sodium chloride                                                                                                       | 5.000        |
| Sodium dihydrogen phosphate, 2H <sub>2</sub> O                                                                        | 2.200        |
| Disodium hydrogen phosphate                                                                                           | 2.700        |
| Sodium pyruvate                                                                                                       | 1.000        |
| Sorbitol                                                                                                              | 1.000        |
| Tryptophan                                                                                                            | 1.000        |
| Tergitol-7                                                                                                            | 0.150        |
| 6-chloro-3-indoxyl β-D-galactopyranoside                                                                              | 0.200        |
| 5-bromo-4-chloro-3-indoxyl- β-D-glucuronic acid cyclohexyl ammonium salt, monohydrate (X-beta-G-glucuronide CHX salt) | 0.100        |
| IPTG (Isopropyl-β-D-thiogalactopyranoside)                                                                            | 0.100        |
| Agar                                                                                                                  | 9.0 to 18.00 |
| Final pH ( at 25°C)                                                                                                   | 6.8±0.2      |

#### M1991I - HiCrome® Chromogenic Coliform agar (CCA Agar)

| Ingredients                                                                                                           | g / L   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Tryptone #                                                                                                            | 1.000   |
| Yeast extract                                                                                                         | 2.000   |
| Sodium chloride                                                                                                       | 5.000   |
| Sodium dihydrogen phosphate, 2H <sub>2</sub> O                                                                        | 2.200   |
| Disodium hydrogen phosphate                                                                                           | 2.700   |
| Sodium pyruvate                                                                                                       | 1.000   |
| Sorbitol                                                                                                              | 1.000   |
| Tryptophan                                                                                                            | 1.000   |
| Tergitol-7                                                                                                            | 0.150   |
| 6-chloro-3-indoxyl β-D-galactopyranoside                                                                              | 0.200   |
| 5-bromo-4-chloro-3-indoxyl- β-D-glucuronic acid cyclohexyl ammonium salt, monohydrate (X-beta-G-glucuronide CHX salt) | 0.100   |
| IPTG (Isopropyl-β-D-thiogalactopyranoside) Agar                                                                       | 0.100   |
| Final pH ( at 25°C)                                                                                                   | 15.000  |
|                                                                                                                       | 6.8±0.2 |

\*\*Formula adjusted, standardized to suit performance parameters

# Enzymatic digest of casein

### Directions

Suspend 30.92 grams (the equivalent weight of dehydrated medium per litre) in 1000 ml purified/distilled water. Heat to boiling to dissolve the medium completely. **DO NOT AUTOCLAVE. DO NOT OVERHEAT.** Cool to 45-50°C. Mix well and pour into sterile Petri plates.

### Principle And Interpretation

HiCrome® Chromogenic Agar is a selective medium recommended by ISO for enumeration of *Escherichia coli* and coliform bacteria (1). The medium contains three chromogenic substrates. The enzyme β-D-galactosidase produced by coliforms cleaves 6-chloro-3-indoxyl 1-β-D-galactopyranoside to form pink to red coloured colonies (1). The enzyme β-D-glucuronidase produced by *E.coli*, cleaves 5-bromo-4chloro-3-indoxyl 1-β-D-glucuronic acid (1) Colonies of *E.coli* give dark blue to violet coloured colonies due to cleavage of both the chromogens. The presence of the third chromogen IPTG enhances the colour reaction. Addition of L-Tryptophan improves the indole reaction thereby increasing the detection reliability.

Tryptone, sodium pyruvate and sorbitol provide nitrogenous substances, fermentable carbohydrate and other essential growth nutrients for the organisms. Phosphates buffer the medium. The media formulation helps even sub-lethally injured coliforms to recover and grow rapidly. Tergitol-7 inhibits gram-positive as well as some gram-negative bacteria other than coliforms (1). The medium is inoculated either by pour plate technique or by spreading the sample on the surface of plated medium. Membrane filter technique can also be used. To confirm *E.coli*, add a drop of Kovacs reagent on the dark blue to violet colony. Formation of cherry red colour indicates a positive reaction.

### Type of specimen

Water samples.

## Specimen Collection and Handling:

### Processing (1)

#### Filtration:

Filter 100ml of the sample using membrane filter. The minimum volume for filtration should be 10ml (or dilution) so that to ensure even distribution of the bacteria on the membrane filter.

#### Incubation and differentiation:

After filtration place the membrane filter on HiCrome® Chromogenic Coliform agar (CCA Agar), ensuring that no air is trapped underneath, invert petri dish and incubate at  $36^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 2$  for  $21 \pm 3$  hours. Examine the colony on membrane filters for color change.

**Confirmation :** Biochemical and serological tests are performed for confirmation.

## Warning and Precautions

Read the label before opening the container. The media should be handled by trained personnel only. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Follow good microbiological lab practices while handling specimens and culture. Standard precautions as per established guidelines should be followed while handling specimens. Safety guidelines may be referred in individual safety data sheets.

## Limitations

1. Individual organisms differ in their growth requirement and may show variable growth patterns on the medium.
2. Each lot of the medium has been tested for the organisms specified on the COA. It is recommended to users to validate the medium for any specific microorganism other than mentioned in the COA based on the user's unique requirement.
3. Further biochemical and serological test are necessary for confirmation.

## Performance and Evaluation

Performance of the medium is expected when used as per the direction on the label within the expiry period when stored at recommended temperature.

## Quality Control

### Appearance

Cream to yellow homogeneous free flowing powder

### Gelling

Firm, comparable with 1.5% Agar gel.

### Colour and Clarity of prepared medium

Light yellow coloured opalescent gel forms in Petri plates

### Reaction

Reaction of 3.09% w/v aqueous solution at  $25^{\circ}\text{C}$ . pH :  $6.8 \pm 0.2$

### pH

6.60-7.00

### Cultural Response

**Productivity:** Cultural response observed after an incubation at  $36^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 2$  for  $21 \pm 3$  hours. Recovery rate is considered as 100% for bacteria growth on Reference medium - Soyabean Casein Digest Agar (Tryptone Soya Agar).

**Selectivity:** Cultural response observed after an incubation at  $36^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 2$  for  $21 \pm 3$  hours.

**Specificity:** Cultural response observed after an incubation at  $36^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 2$  for  $21 \pm 3$  hours.

| Organism                                        | Inoculum (CFU) | Growth    | Recovery    | Colour of Colony#   |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------------|---------------------|
| <b>Productivity</b>                             |                |           |             |                     |
| <i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 25922 (00013)*     | 50-100         | luxuriant | $\geq 70\%$ | dark blue to violet |
| <i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 8739 (00012)*      | 50-100         | luxuriant | $\geq 70\%$ | dark blue to violet |
| <i>Citrobacter freundii</i> ATCC 43864 (00006)* | 50-100         | luxuriant | $\geq 70\%$ | pink to red         |

##*Klebsiella aerogenes* 50-100 luxuriant  $\geq 70\%$  pink to red  
ATCC 13048 (00175)\*

#### Selectivity

*Enterococcus faecalis*  $\geq 10^4$  inhibited  
ATCC 19433 (00009)\*

#### Specificity

*Pseudomonas aeruginosa*  $10^3$ - $10^4$  growth - colourless  
ATCC 10145 (00024)\*

Key \* : Corresponding WDCM numbers # : either on plate or membrane

## Formerly known as *Enterobacter aerogenes*

## Storage and Shelf Life

Store between 15-25°C in a tightly closed container and the prepared medium at 2-8°C. Use before expiry date on the label. On opening, product should be properly stored dry, after tightly capping the bottle in order to prevent lump formation due to the hygroscopic nature of the product. Improper storage of the product may lead to lump formation. Store in dry ventilated area protected from extremes of temperature and sources of ignition. Seal the container tightly after use. Product performance is best if used within stated expiry period.

## Disposal

User must ensure safe disposal by autoclaving and/or incineration of used or unusable preparations of this product. Follow established laboratory procedures in disposing of infectious materials and material that comes into contact with sample must be decontaminated and disposed of in accordance with current laboratory techniques (2,3).

## Reference

1. International Organization for Standardization. Water quality: Enumeration of *E.coli* and coliform bacteria. Part I- Membrane filtration methods for bacteria with low bacterial background flora. ISO 9308-1:2014.
2. Isenberg, H.D. Clinical Microbiology Procedures Handbook 2nd Edition.
3. Jorgensen, J.H., Pfaller, M.A., Carroll, K.C., Funke, G., Landry, M.L., Richter, S.S and Warnock., D.W.(2015) Manual of Clinical Microbiology, 11th Edition. Vol. 1.

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|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Material Code :</b> M1991I<br><br>ULR-TC1452026000000199F | <b>Material Name :</b><br>HiChrome® Chromogenic Coliform Agar (CCA) | <b>Lot No</b> : E000745549<br><br><b>Expiry Date :</b> 2029-01 |
| <b>Report No.:</b> 40001679022                               | <b>Date of Release &amp; Report :</b> 2026-02-26                    | <b>Date of Receipt &amp; Testing :</b> 2026-02-09              |

**Appearance**

Test method : MT-134

Cream to yellow homogeneous free flowing powder. Observed : Light yellow

**Colour and Clarity of prepared medium**

Test method : MT-02

Light yellow coloured, opalescent gel forms in Petri plates

**Reaction**

Test method : MT-03

Reaction of 3.09% w/v aqueous solution at 25°C.

**pH**

Test method : MT-03

pH Range : 6.60-7.00 Observed : 6.97

**Cultural Response**

Test method : MT-87

**Productivity**

Cultural response was observed after an incubation at  $36 \pm 2^\circ\text{C}$  for  $21 \pm 3$  hours. Recovery rate is considered as 100% for bacteria growth on Reference medium- Soyabean Casein Digest Agar (Tryptone Soya Agar).

**Selectivity**

Cultural Response was observed after an incubation at  $36 \pm 2^\circ\text{C}$  for  $21 \pm 3$  hours.

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| <b>Productivity</b>                                   |                |           |             |                     |
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| <i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 25922 (WDCM 00013)       | 50-100         | luxuriant | $\geq 70\%$ | dark blue to violet |
| <i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 8739 (WDCM 00012)        | 50-100         | luxuriant | $\geq 70\%$ | dark blue to violet |
| <b>Selectivity</b>                                    |                |           |             |                     |
| <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> ATCC                     | $\geq 10^4$    | inhibited | 0%          | -                   |

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|                                                          |                                  |        |   |            |
|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------|---|------------|
| 19433 (WDCM 00009)                                       |                                  |        |   |            |
| <b>Specificity</b>                                       |                                  |        |   |            |
| <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i><br>ATCC 10145 (WDCM 00024) | 10 <sup>3</sup> -10 <sup>4</sup> | growth | - | colourless |

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**Control Media :**

- . For Bacteria : Soyabean Casein Digest Agar / Columbia Blood Agar base enriched with 5% v/v Sheep/Horse blood.
- . For Yeast & Mold : Sabouraud Dextrose Agar.

- . All ISO 11133 : 2014( E )/Amd.2:2020(E) control strains are included in the Quality parameter

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- . Key: # either on plate or membrane.

Information for BSE/TSE Risk: The material was subjected to pH ≤ 7.0 and/or a temperature in excess of 75°C for no less than 2 hours during the manufacturing process. The bovine raw material for this product was collected entirely from Indian Origin animals in a licensed based establishment. The animals are inspected under a Govt. approved veterinarian's supervision and were apparently free from infectious and contagious diseases. BSE (Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy)/ TSE (Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathy) and dioxine are not known to exist in India. This material does not contain, nor is derived from the specific risks material as defined in The Maharashtra Animal Preservation Act Govt. of Maharashtra, India.

**STATUS OF THE SAMPLED MATERIAL : COMPLIES**

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Sangeeta Kamat**QA Manager****2026-02-26**  
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# Technical Data

## Fraser Broth Base

M1327

### Intended use

Recommended, recommended as a primary as well as secondary enrichment medium, for the isolation and enumeration of *Listeria monocytogenes* from food and animal feeds. The composition and performance criteria of this media is as per the specification laid down in ISO 11290-1:2017, ISO 11290-2:2017 and ISO 11133:2014 (E) /Amd.: 2020.

### Composition\*\*

| ISO 11290 Specification - Half Fraser & Fraser |         | Fraser Broth : Half Fraser & Fraser broth |         |
|------------------------------------------------|---------|-------------------------------------------|---------|
| Ingredients                                    | g / L   | Ingredients                               | g / L   |
| Enzymatic digest of animal tissues             | 5.000   | Peptone #                                 | 5.000   |
| Enzymatic digest of casein                     | 5.000   | Tryptone \$                               | 5.000   |
| Yeast extract                                  | 5.000   | Yeast extract                             | 5.000   |
| Meat extract                                   | 5.000   | HM extract ##                             | 5.000   |
| Sodium chloride                                | 20.000  | Sodium chloride                           | 20.000  |
| Disodium hydrogen phosphate dihydrate          | 12.000  | Disodium hydrogen phosphate dihydrate     | 12.000  |
| Potassium dihydrogen phosphate                 | 1.350   | Potassium dihydrogen phosphate            | 1.350   |
| Esculin                                        | 1.000   | Esculin                                   | 1.000   |
| Lithium chloride                               | 3.000   | Lithium chloride                          | 3.000   |
| Final pH ( at 25°C)                            | 7.2±0.2 | Final pH ( at 25°C)                       | 7.2±0.2 |

### Supplements to be added after autoclaving

|                             | Half fraser<br>g / L | Fraser<br>g / L |                             | Half fraser<br>g / L | Fraser<br>g / L |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
|                             |                      |                 | <b>FD125I</b>               | <b>1 vial</b>        | <b>2 vials</b>  |
| Acriflavin hydrochloride    | 0.0125               | 0.025           | Acriflavin hydrochloride    | 0.0125               | 0.025           |
| Nalidixic acid, sodium salt | 0.01                 | 0.02            | Nalidixic acid, sodium salt | 0.01                 | 0.02            |
|                             |                      |                 | <b>FD141</b>                | <b>2 vials</b>       | <b>2 vials</b>  |
| Ammonium Iron citrate       | 0.5                  | 0.50            | Ammonium Iron citrate       | 0.5                  | 0.50            |

\*\*Formula adjusted, standardized to suit performance parameters

# - Equivalent to Enzymatic digest of animal tissues

\$ - Equivalent to Enzymatic digest of casein

## - Equivalent to Meat extract

### Directions

Suspend 54.92 gram (the equivalent weight of dehydrated medium per litre) in 1000 ml purified / distilled water. Heat if necessary to dissolve the medium completely. Sterilize by autoclaving at 15 lbs pressure (121°C) for 15 minutes. Cool to 45-50°C and aseptically add rehydrated contents of 1 vial of Fraser Selective Supplement (FD125I) and 2 vials of Fraser Supplement (FD141) to 1000 ml medium for primary enrichment or 1 vial of each to 500 ml medium for secondary enrichment. Mix well and dispense in tubes or flasks as desired.

### Principle And Interpretation

*Listeria* species are widely distributed in the environment. They have been isolated from soil, decaying vegetable matter, silage, sewage, water, animal feed, fresh and frozen poultry, meats, raw milk, cheese and asymptomatic human and animal carriers (1). *L.monocytogenes* primarily causes meningitis, encephalitis or septicemia in humans (2,3). In pregnant women, *L.monocytogenes* often causes influenza like bacteremic illness that, if untreated, may lead to amnionitis and infection of the fetus, resulting in abortion, still birth or premature birth. Contaminated foods are the primary vehicles of transmission (4). Fraser Broth Base is based on the formulation of Fraser and Sperber (5) is used for the detection of *Listeria* species in food products (6). Fraser Broth Base is formulated so as to provide optimum conditions for the growth of *Listeria*. This medium is recommended by ISO for primary and secondary enrichment of *Listeria* species (7,8,9).

Peptone, Tryptone, yeast extract, and HM extract make the media highly nutritive by providing essential nutrients including

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carbonaceous and nitrogenous substances. Phosphates maintain the buffering capacity of the medium. All *Listeria* species exhibit beta-glucosidase activity which is evident by the blackening of the media. *Listeria* species hydrolyze esculin (substituted glucoside) to glucose and esculetin. The latter combines with ferric ions of ferric ammonium citrate (FD141), resulting in the formation of 6-7 dihydroxycoumarin, a black brown complex. Ferric ammonium citrate also enhances the growth of *L.monocytogenes* (10). The high salt tolerance (of sodium chloride) of *Listeria* is used as means to inhibit the growth of Enterococci. Lithium chloride is also used to inhibit Enterococci, which also possess the ability to hydrolyze esculin. Growth of accompanying bacteria is largely inhibited by the addition of Nalidixic acid and Acriflavin hydrochloride (FD125I).

### Type of specimen :

Food samples

### Specimen Collection and Handling:

#### 1. Initial suspension

This broth is used as an dilution fluid for the preparation of initial suspension

25grams/25 ml of sample to 225 ml of the medium (M1327 + 1 vial of FD125I + 2 vials of FD141)

#### 2. Primary enrichment

The dilution prepared in Half Fraser broth is incubated at  $30^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$  for 24-26 hours.

The preenriched sample after incubation can be stored at  $5^{\circ}\text{C}$  for a maximum of 72 hours before transfer to Fraser Broth (secondary enrichment)

A black colouration can develop during incubation.

#### 3. Secondary Enrichment

0.1 ml of culture from primary enrichment is added to 10 ml of Fraser Broth (secondary enrichment). It is incubated at  $37^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$  for  $24 \pm 2$  hours.

Additional incubation of 24 hours for *Listeria* species other than *L.monocytogenes* is recommended to allow recovery of more species.

The sample from primary enrichment and secondary enrichment is then subcultured on HiCrome™ *Listeria* Ottaviani-Agosti Agar Base (M1540I) and on *Listeria* Oxford Medium Base (M1145) or *Listeria* Identification Agar Base (PALCAM) (M1064I). Incubate at  $37 \pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$  for  $24 \pm 2$  hours. Additional incubation at  $37 \pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$  for  $24 \pm 2$  hours is recommended for *Listeria* spp. other than *L.monocytogenes* for recovery of more species. (7,8)

### Warning and Precautions :

Read the label before opening the container. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/ face protection. Follow good microbiological lab practices while handling specimens and culture. Standard precautions as per established guidelines should be followed while handling specimens. Safety guidelines may be referred in individual safety data sheets.

### Limitations :

1. Individual organisms differ in their growth requirement and may show variable growth patterns on the medium.
2. Each lot of the medium has been tested for the organisms specified on the COA. It is recommended to users to validate the medium for any specific microorganism other than mentioned in the COA based on the user's unique requirement.
3. Presence of *L.monocytogenes* is often masked by other *Listeria* species like *L.inocua* and *L.ivanovii*.
4. Further subculture of organisms on selective media is required.

### Performance and Evaluation

Performance of the medium is expected when used as per the direction on the label within the expiry period when stored at recommended temperature.

### Quality Control

#### Appearance

Cream to yellow homogeneous free flowing powder

#### Colour and Clarity of prepared medium

Basal medium : Yellow coloured clear solution with slight precipitate. After addition : Fluorescent yellow coloured clear solution with slight precipitate forms in tubes.

#### Reaction

Reaction of 5.49% w/v aqueous solution at  $25^{\circ}\text{C}$ . pH :  $7.2 \pm 0.2$

#### pH

7.00-7.40

**Cultural Response****Half Fraser (Primary Enrichment )**

| Organism | Inoculum (CFU) | Growth | Esculin Hydrolysis | Recovery on M1540I* | Colour of colony on M1540I* |
|----------|----------------|--------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
|----------|----------------|--------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|

**Productivity**

Cultural characteristics observed on addition of FD125I and FD141 after an incubation at  $30 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$  for  $25 \pm 1$  hour. Further subculture is carried out on M1540I at  $37 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$  for  $48 \pm 4$  hours.

|                                                          |             |                |                                         |              |                                    |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|
| <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> 1/2a ATCC 35152 (00109*) + | 50-100      | good-luxuriant | positive reaction, blackening of medium | >10 colonies | Blue green colonies w/ opaque halo |
| <i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 25922 (00013*) +            | $\geq 10^4$ |                |                                         |              |                                    |
| <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> ATCC 29212 (00087*)         | $\geq 10^4$ |                |                                         |              |                                    |
| <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> 1/2a ATCC 35152 (00109*) + | 50-100      | good-luxuriant | positive reaction, blackening of medium | >10 colonies | Blue green colonies w/ opaque halo |
| <i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 8739 (00012*) +             | $\geq 10^4$ |                |                                         |              |                                    |
| <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> ATCC 19433 (00009*)         | $\geq 10^4$ |                |                                         |              |                                    |
| <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> 4b ATCC 13932 (00021*) +   | 50-100      | good-luxuriant | positive reaction, blackening of medium | >10 colonies | Blue green colonies w/ opaque halo |
| <i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 25922 (00013*) +            | $\geq 10^4$ |                |                                         |              |                                    |
| <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> ATCC 29212 (00087*)         | $\geq 10^4$ |                |                                         |              |                                    |
| <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> 4b ATCC 13932 (00021*) +   | 50-100      | good-luxuriant | positive reaction, blackening of medium | >10 colonies | Blue green colonies w/ opaque halo |
| <i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 8739 (00012*) +             | $\geq 10^4$ |                |                                         |              |                                    |
| <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> ATCC 19433 (00009*)         | $\geq 10^4$ |                |                                         |              |                                    |

**Selectivity**

Cultural characteristics observed on addition of FD125I and FD141 after an incubation at  $30 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$  for  $25 \pm 1$  hour. Further subculture is carried on Tryptone Soya Agar (M290) after an incubation at  $37 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$  for  $48 \pm 4$  hours.

| Organism                                         | Inoculum (CFU) | Growth    | Recovery on M290 |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------|------------------|
| <i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 25922 (00013*)      | $\geq 10^4$    | inhibited | 0                |
| <i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 8739 (00012*)       | $\geq 10^4$    | inhibited | 0                |
| <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> ATCC 29212 (00087*) | $\geq 10^4$    | none-poor | <100 colonies    |
| <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> ATCC 19433 (00009*) | $\geq 10^4$    | none-poor | <100 colonies    |

**Fraser (Secondary Enrichment )**

| Organism                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Inoculum (CFU) | Growth         | Esculin Hydrolysis                      | Recovery on M1540I* | Colour of colony on M1540I*        |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>Productivity</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                |                |                                         |                     |                                    |
| Cultural characteristics observed on addition of FD125I and FD141 after an incubation at $37 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ for $24 \pm 2$ hours. Further subculture is carried out on M1540I at $37 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ for $48 \pm 4$ hours. |                |                |                                         |                     |                                    |
| <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> 1/2a ATCC 35152 (00109*) +                                                                                                                                                                              | 50-100         | good-luxuriant | positive reaction, blackening of medium | >10 colonies        | Blue green colonies w/ opaque halo |
| <i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 25922 (00013*) +                                                                                                                                                                                         | $\geq 10^4$    |                |                                         |                     |                                    |
| <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> ATCC 29212 (00087*)                                                                                                                                                                                      | $\geq 10^4$    |                |                                         |                     |                                    |
| <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> 1/2a ATCC 35152 (00109*) +                                                                                                                                                                              | 50-100         | good-luxuriant | positive reaction, blackening of medium | >10 colonies        | Blue green colonies w/ opaque halo |
| <i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 8739 (00012*) +                                                                                                                                                                                          | $\geq 10^4$    |                |                                         |                     |                                    |
| <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> ATCC 19433 (00009*)                                                                                                                                                                                      | $\geq 10^4$    |                |                                         |                     |                                    |
| <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> 4b ATCC 13932 (00021*) +                                                                                                                                                                                | 50-100         | good-luxuriant | positive reaction, blackening of medium | >10 colonies        | Blue green colonies w/ opaque halo |
| <i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 25922 (00013*) +                                                                                                                                                                                         | $\geq 10^4$    |                |                                         |                     |                                    |
| <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> ATCC 29212 (00087*)                                                                                                                                                                                      | $\geq 10^4$    |                |                                         |                     |                                    |
| <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> 4b ATCC 13932 (00021*) +                                                                                                                                                                                | 50-100         | good-luxuriant | positive reaction, blackening of medium | >10 colonies        | Blue green colonies w/ opaque halo |
| <i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 8739 (00012*) +                                                                                                                                                                                          | $\geq 10^4$    |                |                                         |                     |                                    |
| <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> ATCC 19433 (00009*)                                                                                                                                                                                      | $\geq 10^4$    |                |                                         |                     |                                    |

**Selectivity**

Cultural characteristics observed on addition of FD125I and FD141 after an incubation at  $37 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$  for  $24 \pm 2$  hour. Further subculture is carried on Tryptone Soya Agar (M290) after an incubation at  $37 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$  for  $48 \pm 4$  hours.

| Organism                                         | Inoculum (CFU) | Growth    | Recovery on M290 |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------|------------------|
| <i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 25922 (00013*)      | $\geq 10^4$    | inhibited | 0                |
| <i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 8739 (00012*)       | $\geq 10^4$    | inhibited | 0                |
| <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> ATCC 29212 (00087*) | $\geq 10^4$    | none-poor | <100 colonies    |
| <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> ATCC 19433 (00009*) | $\geq 10^4$    | none-poor | <100 colonies    |

**Storage and Shelf Life**

Store between  $10-30^\circ\text{C}$  in a tightly closed container and prepared medium at  $2-8^\circ\text{C}$ . Use before expiry date on the label. On opening, product should be properly stored dry, after tightly capping the bottle in order to prevent lump formation due to the hygroscopic nature of the product. Improper storage of the product may lead to lump formation. Store in dry ventilated area protected from extremes of temperature and sources of ignition. Seal the container tightly after use.

## Disposal

User must ensure safe disposal by autoclaving and/or incineration of used or unusable preparations of this product. Follow established laboratory procedures in disposing of infectious materials and material that comes into contact with sample must be decontaminated and disposed of in accordance with current laboratory techniques (1,4).

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# Technical Data

## Fraser Selective Supplement

FD125I

Recommended for selective isolation and enumeration of *Listeria monocytogenes* from food, animal feeds etc.

### Composition

Per vial sufficient for 500 ml / 1000 ml medium

#### \*Ingredients

Acriflavin hydrochloride  
Nalidixic acid

#### Concentration

12.500mg  
10mg

### Directions:

Rehydrate the contents of 1 vial aseptically with 10 ml of sterile distilled water. Mix well. Aseptically add 1 vial to 1000 ml sterile, cooled (45-50°C) Fraser Broth Base [M1327](#) / Fraser HiVeg™ Broth Base [MV1327](#) / Fraser Enrichment Broth Base [M1083R](#) for primary enrichment or to 500 ml sterile, Fraser Broth Base [M1327](#) / Fraser HiVeg™ Broth Base [MV1327](#) / Fraser Enrichment Broth Base [M1083R](#) for secondary enrichment. Mix well and dispense as desired.

### Type of specimen

Food samples

### Specimen Collection and Handling

For Food samples follow appropriate techniques for handling specimens as per established guidelines (1,2). After use, contaminated materials must be sterilized by autoclaving before discarding.

### Warning & Precautions

Read the label before opening the container. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Follow good microbiological lab practices while handling specimens and culture. Standard precautions as per established guidelines should be followed while handling clinical specimens. Safety guidelines may be referred in individual safety data sheets.

### Storage and Shelf Life

Store at 2 - 8°C. Use before expiry date on the label.

### Disposal

User must ensure safe disposal by autoclaving and/or incineration of used or unusable preparations of this product. Follow established laboratory procedures in disposing of infectious materials and material that comes into contact with clinical sample must be decontaminated and disposed of in accordance with current laboratory techniques (3,4).

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# Technical Data

## Fraser Supplement

FD141

Recommended for selective isolation and enumeration of *Listeria monocytogenes* from food, animal feeds etc.

### Composition

Per vial sufficient for 500 ml medium

#### Ingredients

#### Concentration

Ferric ammonium citrate

250mg

### Directions:

Rehydrate the contents of 1 vial aseptically with 1-2 ml of sterile distilled water. Mix well. For primary enrichment aseptically add 2 vials to 1000 ml, sterile, cooled (45-50°C) Fraser Broth Base [M1327](#) / Fraser HiVeg™ Broth Base [MV1327](#) / Fraser Broth Base, Granulated [GM1327](#) along with rehydrated contents of 1 vial of Fraser Selective Supplement [FD1251](#) or add 1 vial to 500 ml sterile Fraser Broth Base [M1327](#) / Fraser HiVeg™ Broth Base [MV1327](#)/ Fraser Broth Base, Granulated [GM1327](#) along with rehydrated contents of 1 vial of Fraser Selective Supplement [FD1251](#) for secondary enrichment. Aseptically add 2 vials to 1000 ml, sterile, cooled (45-50°C) Fraser Broth Base, Modified (Half Fraser Broth) [M1764](#). Mix well before dispensing as desired.

### Type of specimen

Food samples

### Specimen Collection and Handling

For Food samples follow appropriate techniques for handling specimens as per established guidelines (1,2).

After use, contaminated materials must be sterilized by autoclaving before discarding.

### Warning & Precautions

Read the label before opening the container. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Follow good microbiological lab practices while handling specimens and culture. Standard precautions as per established guidelines should be followed while handling clinical specimens. Safety guidelines may be referred in individual safety data sheets.

### Storage and Shelf Life

Store between 10 - 30°C. Use before expiry date on the label.

### Disposal

User must ensure safe disposal by autoclaving and/or incineration of used or unusable preparations of this product. Follow established laboratory procedures in disposing of infectious materials and material that comes into contact with clinical sample must be decontaminated and disposed of in accordance with current laboratory techniques (3,4).

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