MICROBIOLOGY

SUPERPOLYMYXIN[™] MEDIUM





E. coli colonies on Superpolymyxin

Detection and isolation of colistin resistant Gram-negative bacteria

- Screening medium that detects any Polymyxin-Resistant bacteria regardless of the mechanism and level of resistance
- Specially formulated to avoid swarming of *Proteus* spp. and to prevent contamination by Gram-positive bacteria and fungi
- Critical in human medicine for detecting carriers of colistin-resistant bacteria and containing clinical outbreaks
- Useful in veterinary medicine for surveillance surveys
- Easy to perform and highly sensitive



PRINCIPLE

This optimal screening medium is based on the eosin methylene blue (EMB) medium, which is selective for Gramnegative bacteria. It contributes to a presumption of species identification by differentiating lactose fermenters (dark blue-brown colonies) from non fermenters (colorless or light lavender). Moreover, differentiation of lactose fermenters is possible with Escherichia coli colonies displaying a characteristic metallic green sheen and Enterobacter spp. and Klebsiella spp. with brown, dark-centered, and mucoid colonies.

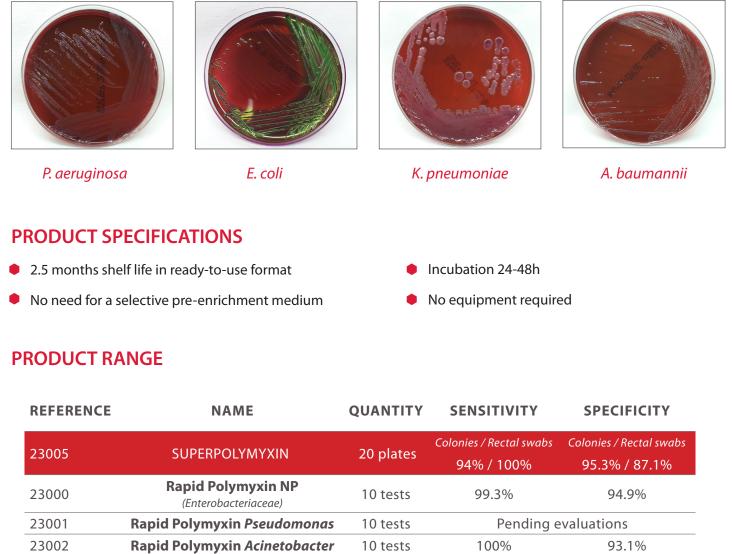
The optimal colistin concentration detects all polymyxin-resistant strains.

Daptomycin is used as an inhibitor of Enterococcus and Staphylococcus strains. Amphotericin B is used as an antifungal molecule.

METHODOLOGY

Samples: Bacterial colonies, rectal swabs

Procedure: Direct streaking from rectal swab transport medium, preparation of a 0.5 McFarland suspension broth needed for colonies / Incubation 24-48h at 37°C / Aerobic conditions



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