CHROMagar™ E.coli







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● CHROMagar[™] E.coli

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Plate Reading

- E.coli
- → Blue
- Other gram negative bacteria
- \rightarrow colourless
- Gram positive
 → inhibited



Quality Control Strains

E. coli ATCC® 25922	blue
E. coli ATCC® 51446	blue
C. freudii ATCC®8090	colourless
E. aerogenes ATCC®13048	colourless
S. aureus ATCC®25923	inhibited
E. faecalis ATCC®29212	inhibited
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Order References

Please use these product references when contacting your local distributor: 1000 ml pack EC166 5000 ml pack EC168 25 L pack EC169-25 Bulk on request

For detection and enumeration of *E.coli* in food and water samples

Background

Contamination by faecal material from animals can be shown by the detection of *Escherichia coli* in the sample. *E.coli* can contaminate drinking water when the water treatment system is inadequate or during periods of very high rainfalls.

Monitoring of food and water production is essential. High contamination may lead to the suspension of the water supply and food recall by supermarkets.

- Concerning bathing water, regulations are more and more strict:
 - European directive from 1976: 2.000 *Escherichia coli (E.coli)* bacteria for 100 ml of water.
 - New directive in 2006: 500 E.coli per 100 ml.

The presence of *E.coli* indicates faecal contamination and potential presence of dangerous pathogens such as bacteria like *Vibrio cholerae, Salmonella, Pseudomonas* etc..., or viruses and intestinal parasites. The infections resulting from ingestion of contaminated matter can be dangerous and life-threatening.

Medium Performance

18-24H DETECTION

EASY READING AND INTERPRETATION

The general food and water standards limits' are usually from zero to single figure *E.coli* cfu per gram and thus it is important to detect and enumerate them accurately. With CHROMagarTM E.coli, colonies of *E.coli* develop with an intense blue colour - thus making detection and enumeration of this important hygiene indicator as simple as possible.

LIGHTER WORKLOAD

Traditional *E.coli* detection methods are extremely tedious and labor-intensive, requiring studies of many colonies.

QUALITY

CHROMagar[™]E.coli media contain 5% more agar than other media on the market. This helps considerably with the application and streaking of the sample onto the plate.

The media is also suitable for the membrane filtration technique or the pouring technique.

Medium Description

Powder Base	Total37.3 g/LAgar15.0Peptone and Yeast extracts8.3Sodium chloride5.0Chromogenic mix9.0Storage at 15/30°C - pH: 6.0 +/- 0.2Shelf Life4 years
Usual Samples	Processed food, raw materials, water, milk & environment
Procedure	Pouring, Isolation or membrane filtration technique. Incubation 18-24h, 37°C. Aerobic conditions.
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