



Plate Reading

- Most common
 Shiga-Toxin *E.coli* serotypes
 → mauve
- Other Enterobacteriacae
 → colourless, blue or inhibited
- Gram positive bacteria

→ inhibited Detection of the Big Six Serotype isolates Sensitvity 394/410 0157 96% 026 152/155 98% 045 1/1 100% 0103 62/90 69% 0111 64/66 97% 0121 31/36 86% 0145 45/49 Internal figures More Scientific content available online

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For detection of Shiga-Toxin producing E.coli (STEC)

Background

An increasing and worrisome number of studies have recently shown that, non-O157 Shiga-Toxin-producing *E.coli* (STEC) have been responsible for foodborne poisoning outbreaks. The CDC has also reported warnings about this potential risk:

"Disease caused by Shiga toxin-producing Escherichia coli (STEC) ranges from self-limiting diarrhea to hemorrhagic colitis and hemolytic uremic syndrome (HUS). Serotype O157:H7, the most frequently implicated STEC causing hemorrhagic colitis and HUS, has been isolated from large foodborne outbreaks, as well as sporadic cases, in North America and abroad. However, 60 STEC serotypes have been implicated in diarrheal disease, and several non-O157:H7 serotypes have been implicated as the cause of foodborne outbreaks and HUS in the United States, Europe, and Australia. Studies from Canada, Europe, Argentina, and Australia suggest that non-O157:H7 STEC infections are as prevalent, or more so, than O157:H7 infection."

CDC report « Prevalence of Non-O157:H7 Shiga Toxin-Producing Escherichia coli in Diarrheal Stool Samples [...]»

Therefore, several regulatory authorities urge worldwide food industry to implement measures to control the absence of such organisms in their production.

In many cases, laboratories have limited their search for pathogenic E. coli to the common O157 serotype. This is due, among other reasons, to the fact that there were no available selective culture media for non-O157 E. coli.

CHROMagarTM STEC is designed to fill this gap: detection, as mauve colonies, of not only the classical STEC O157, but also many other serotypes.

Medium Performance

(1) Easy reading

A majority of STEC strains grow in mauve colony color, while other bacteria grow in blue, colourless or are inhibited.

2 High STEC selective medium

Excellent tool for large number of samples screening procedures.

3) Worldwide premiere

Unique medium in the market for STEC detection.

Flexibility

It can be supplemented with additional compounds to render it even more selective for the strain causing an outbreak.

Medium Description

Powder Base CHROMagar™ STEC base	Total 30.8 g/L Agar 15.0 Peptone and yeast extract 8.0 Salts 5.2 Chromogenic mix 2.6 Storage at 15/30 °C - pH: 6.9 +/- 0.2 Shelf Life > 18 months
CHROMagar™ STEC Supplement (included in the pack)	Freeze dried vials

Usual Samples	food, environmental, faeces.
Procedure	Direct Streaking. Incubation 18-24 h at 35-37 °C. +/- prior enrichment step. Aerobic conditions.

Scientific Publications on this product: available on www.CHROMagar.com Please read carefully the instructions for use (IFU document) available on www.CHROMagar.com

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Product	Order Code
CHROMagar™ STEC, 5 liter	15ST162
CHROMagar™ STEC ready to use plates, 20 pcs.	201381