

InSite™ Salmonella Performance Validation

This data summary shows the performance of InSite. Inclusion of a pre-enrichment step substantially improved the performance and sensitivity of the AOAC-RI approved PDX-SIB medium contained in InSite Salmonella. Optimal color change results were achieved with 6 hrs pre-enrichment and 24 - 48 hrs total enrichment (Table 1).

Table 1: Incubation Times and InSite Salmonella Color Change Results								
Total Incubation Time	24 hours			48 hours				
Inoculum (CFU)	100 - 1000	10 - 100	1 - 10	100 - 1000	10 - 100	1 - 10		
No Pre-Enrichment	-	-	-	+	-	-		
6 hrs Pre-Enrichment*	+	+	-	+	+	+		
18 hrs Pre-Enrichment	+	+	+	+	+	+		

- No color change; + Color change

*6 hour pre-enrichment is the recommended protocol for optimal test results. Omitting pre-enrichment reduces the efficiency of Salmonella recovery and increases the probability of false negative results. Pre-enrichment time can be extended beyond the recommended 6 hours, although the probability of false positive results will increase.

Inclusivity/exclusivity studies confirmed specificity of the test for a range of *S. enterica* subspecies and serovars (Table 2). A positive result is sometimes produced by some strains of closely related bacteria such as *Citrobacter* and *E. coli*. *C. braakii* and some strains of *C. freundii* are well-known to cause this false positive effect in *Salmonella* tests.

Table 2: INCLUSIVITY/EXCLUSIVITY						
Salmonella Species	Serovars	Media Color After 48 hrs	Presumptive Result			
Salmonella enterica subsp. enterica	23	Yellow	+			
Salmonella enterica subsp. arizonae	1	Yellow	+			
Salmonella enterica subsp. diarizonae	1	Yellow	+			
Non-Salmonella Species		Media Color After 48 hrs	Presumptive Result			
Citrobacter braakii		Yellow	+			
Citrobacter koseri		Purple	-			
Citrobacter freundii		Purple	-			
Escherichia coli		Purple	-			
Pseudomonas aeruginosa		Purple	-			
Staphylococcus aureus		Purple	-			

Data from Tables 1 and 2 are shown as visual results in Figure 1. S. Anatum (Panel A) and *P. aeruginosa* (Panel B) were positive and negative controls respectively. *C. braakii* (Panel C) was detected by InSite Salmonella, though not at low levels (1 – 10 bacteria).

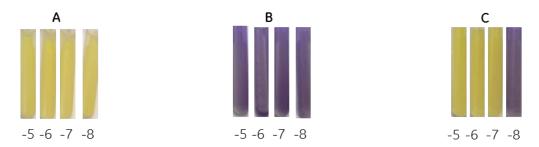


Figure 1. Panel A: Salmonella enterica subsp enterica serovar Anatum, Panel B: Pseudomonas aeruginosa, Panel C: Citrobacter brakii. All tests followed 6 hours in pre-enrichment protocol. The numbers below the color media refer to the dilution factor (-5 = 1,000 - 10,000, -6 = 100 - 1,000, -7 = 10 - 100, -8 = 1 - 10 bacteria). Yellow color indicates a presumptive positive result for Salmonella, while purple indicates presumptive negative result for Salmonella.

