# E. coli 0157:H7 Positive Control

Catalog No. Package 1 vial



#### DESCRIPTION

Heat-killed Escherichia coli 0157:H7 cells, approximately 7.0 x 109 cells/mL (1 mL of approximately 2% wet packed cell w/v) in dextran solution.

#### FORM/STORAGE

Lyophilized. Store refrigerated at  $2 - 8^{\circ}$ C stable for a minimum of 1 year when stored properly.

#### STABILIZERS AND PRESERVATIVES

Dextran added to stabilize during lyophilization. No preservatives. Non-sterile.

# REHYDRATION AND STORAGE

Two methods for rehydration and storage are recommended to meet most needs. Procedure A using 50% glycerol eliminates freezing at -20°C and is an effective biological inhibitor when the product is stored at 2 - 8°C. At a working dilution, the level of glycerol is too small to affect most assays.

## Procedure A

Solution Preparation

50% Glycerol

Mix 1 mL of glycerol with 1 mL of reagent quality water in a test tube.

<u>Rehydration:</u> Transfer 1 mL of this 50% glycerol solution to the product vial. Rotate the vial until the lyophilized pellet is totally dissolved. Dilute to desired concentration with PBS or other buffer.

Storage: This product may be stored for up to 1 week refrigerated; thereafter, it should be stored frozen. When frozen, product is stable for a minimum of 1 year.

#### Procedure B

<u>Rehydration:</u> Rehydrate with 1 mL of reagent quality water. Dilute to desired concentration with PBS or other buffer. <u>Storage:</u> This product may be stored for up to 1 week refrigerated; thereafter, it should be stored frozen. When frozen, product is stable for a minimum of 1 year.

#### USE

## Suggested working dilutions

Mix thoroughly before use. Different assay conditions require that serial dilutions of all reagents be performed to determine optimal working dilutions. Suggested working dilutions are as follows:

Antibody Sandwich ELISA: 1:100 Direct fluorescent assay on slides: 1:200

# **Application**

This product is ideally suited for use as a positive control in Immunoassays designed for <u>Escherichia coli</u> 0157:H7 detection, where it provides verification of the functionality of the assay system.

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