Executive Summary

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The Food Safety Industry has many different types of test systems and kits for professionals to identify pathogens in their food processing plants and analyze in their labs. One main component to consider when evaluating prospective solutions is their performance under a 3rd-party evaluation. The AOAC Performance Tested Method (PTM) evaluation for Enviro^{X-F} is summarized in this document.





CERTIFICATION

AOAC[®] *Performance Tested*SM

Certificate No. 092001

The AOAC Research Institute hereby certifies the test kit known as:

Enviro^{X-F}

manufactured by

PathogenDx 9375 E. Shea Blvd., Ste. 100 Scottsdale, Arizona 85260 USA

This method has been evaluated in the AOAC[®] Performance Tested MethodsSM Program and found to perform as stated by the manufacturer contingent to the comments contained in the manuscript. This certificate means that an AOAC® Certification Mark License Agreement has been executed which authorizes the manufacturer to display the AOAC Performance Tested SM certification mark along with the statement - "THIS METHOD'S PERFORMANCE WAS REVIEWED BY AOAC RESEARCH INSTITUTE AND WAS FOUND TO PERFORM TO THE MANUFACTURER'S SPECIFICATIONS" - on the above mentioned method for a period of one calendar year from the date of this certificate (September 24, 2020 - December 31, 2021). Renewal may be granted at the end of one year under the rules stated in the licensing agreement.

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AOAC Performance Tested Method: Certificate No: 092001

In October 2020, the PathogenDx Enviro^{X-F} Assay was granted Performance Tested Method Status by the AOAC Research Institute for the **multiplex detection of Salmonella spp., Listeria spp., and L. monocytogenes without an enrichment step**. The study was conducted by an independent, third-party lab and consisted of 30 replicates at varied inoculum levels across a variety of common food manufacturing surfaces. The results indicated that PathogenDx Enviro^{X-F} is an effective method for the qualitative detection of the three targets on four processing surfaces.

Key Findings

- No False Positives for 3 targets across 4 matrices
- Minimum False Negatives
- No Significant Statistical Differences

Study Element	Result
Time to Result	6 hours
Enrichment	No
Sensitivity	> 98%
Specificity	100%
False Negative	< 2%
False Positives	0%

Enviro^{X-F}

Contents of the Enviro^{X-F} Kit

- Live Dead Reagents
- Sample Prep & Digestion Buffers
- PCR Master Mix
- Primer Sets
- Positive Controls
- Negative Controls
- 8 Enviro^{X-F} Microarray Slides



Principle of the Method

The Cy3-labeled PCR product does not require amplicon clean-up, quantitation, or normalization.

probe spots.









PCR Loci

Surface Sampling

DNA Extraction

It is diluted in hybridization buffer, which is then hybridized to the microarray, and then washed and imaged to yield a pattern distributed among the

The PathogenDx software analysis tool, Augury[®], automatically finds the spots in the image and then calculates the median Cy3 intensity of each hybridized spot.



DNA Hybridization

AOAC PTM Method Study Summary Table

		CFU ^a /		Enviro ^{X-F}			Reference			dPOD _c ^f	95% Cl ⁹	
Matrix	Strain	Test Area	N ^b	Presumpt ive	Confirme d	Specificity	х		POD _R ^e	95% CI		
Stainless Steel (4" x 4")	Salmonella Typhimurium ATCC 14028		5	0	0	-	0		0	0.00, 0.43	0	-0.43, 0.43
	&	48 &110	20	7	7	100	8		0.4	0.22, 0.61	-0.05	-0.32, 0.23
	Citrobacter freundii ATCC 8090	& 1200	5	5	5	100	5		1	0.57,1.00	0	-0.43, 0.43
	L. monocytogenes 4b ATCC 13932		5	0	0	-	0		0	0.00, 0.43	0	-0.43, 0.43
	&	58 & 191	20	9	9	100	6		0.3	0.15, 0.52	0.15	-0.14, 0.41
	Enterococcus faecalis ATCC 29212	450 & 1100	5	5	5	100	5		1	0.57,1.00	0	-0.43, 0.43
	Salmonella	-	5	0	0	-	0		0	0.00, 0.43	0	-0.43, 0.43
	Heidelberg	63	20	9	9	100	8		0.4	0.22, 0.61	0.05	-0.24, 0.33
	ATCC 8326	160	5	5	5	100	5		1	0.57,1.00	0	-0.43, 0.43
Disatis	L. innocua ATCC 33091	-	5	0	0		0		0	0.00, 0.43	0	-0.43, 0.43
Plastic (4" x 4")		46	20	8	8	100	8		0.4	0.22, 0.61	0	-0.28, 0.28
(+ , +)		130	5	5	5	100	5		1	0.57,1.00	0	-0.43, 0.43
	L. monocytogenes 4b ATCC 51780	-	5	0	0	-	0		0	0.00, 0.43	0	-0.43, 0.43
		52	20	9	0.45	100	6		0.3	0.15, 0.52	0.15	-0.14, 0.41
		170	5	5	1	100	5		1	0.57,1.00	0	-0.43, 0.43
Rubber (4" x 4")	Salmonella Enteritidis ATCC 13076	-	5	0	0	-	0		0	0.00, 0.43	0	-0.43, 0.43
		61	20	9	9	100	8		0.4	0.22, 0.61	0.05	-0.24, 0.33
		130	5	5	5	100	5		1	0.57,1.00	0	-0.43, 0.43
	L. welshimeri ATCC 35897	-	5	0	0	-	0		0	0.00, 0.43	0	-0.43, 0.43
		70	20	7	7	100	7		0.35	0.18, 0.57	0	-0.28, 0.28
		180	5	5	5	100	5		1	0.57,1.00	0	-0.43, 0.43
	L. monocytogenes 1/2a ATCC 15313	-	5	0	0	-	0		0	0.00, 0.43	0	-0.43, 0.43
		60	20	7	7	100	8		0.4	0.22, 0.61	-0.05	-0.32, 0.23
		190	5	5	5	100	5		1	0.57,1.00	0	-0.43, 0.43
Sealed Concrete (4" x 4")	Salmonella Newport ATCC 6962	-	5	0	0	-	0		0	0.00, 0.43	0	-0.43, 0.43
		47	20	9	0.45	100	9		0.45	0.26, 0.66	0	-0.28, 0.28
		220	5	5	1	100	5		1	0.57,1.00	0	-0.43, 0.43
	L. seeligeri ATCC 11289	-	5	0	0	-	0		0	0.00, 0.43	0	-0.43, 0.43
		45	20	8	0.4	100	8		0.4	0.22, 0.61	0	-0.28, 0.28
		180	5	5	1	100	5		1	0.57,1.00	0	-0.43, 0.43
	L. monocytogenes 1/2a FSL J1-129	-	5	0	0	-	0		0	0.00, 0.43	0	-0.43, 0.43
		73	20	9	0.45	100	8		0.4	0.22, 0.61	0.05	-0.24, 0.33
		210	5	5	1	100	5		1	0.57,1.00	0	-0.43, 0.43

aCFU/Test Area = Results of the CFU/Test area were determined by plating the inoculum for each matrix in triplicate

bN = Number of test portions

cx = Number of positive test portions

dPODC = Candidate method confirmed positive outcomes divided by the total number of trials ePODR = Reference method confirmed positive outcomes divided by the total number of trials

fdPODC= Difference between the confirmed candidate method result and reference method confirmed result POD values

g95% CI = If the confidence interval of a dPOD does not contain zero, then the difference is statistically significant at the 5% level

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PathogenDx is a biotechnology company based in Arizona, developing diagnostic solutions to more rapidly and accurately identify pathogens, through our AOAC-certified flexible assay, that can lead to recalls in the Food industry. We are expanding the possibilities of DNA-based testing to identify pathogens faster and easier through our game-changing microarray technology— driving a higher standard of sensitivity and specificity in testing. We deliver innovative solutions that are efficient, robust, that are cost effective and save lives, and drive us all towards the future of safe.



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