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Neogen® Petrifilm® *Salmonella* Express (SALX) System
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APPLICABILITY OF METHOD
Target organism – *Salmonella*.

Matrixes – raw ground beef (25 g), raw ground pork (25 g), raw ground chicken (25 g), cooked chicken nuggets (325 g), pasteurized liquid whole egg (100g), frozen uncooked shrimp (25 g), fresh bunched spinach (25 g), dry dog food (375 g), stainless steel (sponge)

Performance claims – The Petrifilm® SALX System demonstrated reliability as a rapid qualitative method for the detection and biochemical confirmation of *Salmonella* in a wide variety of foods.

REFERENCE METHODS
US FDA Bacterial Analytical Manual (BAM) on-line Feb 2011, Chapter 5: Salmonella. (3)

USDA Microbiological Laboratory Guide (MLG) on-line Oct 1, 2010, Chapter 4.05: Isolation and Identification of Salmonella from Meat, Poultry, Pasteurized Egg and Catfish Products. (4)

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PRINCIPLE OF THE METHOD (1)
The Neogen® Petrifilm® SALX method is intended for the rapid and specific detection and biochemical confirmation of *Salmonella* from food and food process environmental samples after enrichment in Neogen *Salmonella* Enrichment Base with the added Neogen *Salmonella* Enrichment Supplement. The Petrifilm *Salmonella* Express Plate is a sample ready-to-use chromogenic culture medium system that contains a cold-water-soluble gelling agent and is selective and differential for *Salmonella,* providing a presumptive result in as little as 44 hours from low microbial background foods ($\leq 10^4$ cfu/g), and 52 hours from high microbial background foods ($\geq 10^4$ cfu/g). The Petrifilm *Salmonella* Express Confirmation Disk contains a biochemical substrate that facilitates the biochemical confirmation of *Salmonella* organisms.
The limit of detection of a method is defined as the lowest concentration point where reliable analytical results can be obtained. This can vary with different serotypes. For the Petrifilm SALX System this has been demonstrated to be 1-5 CFU/ 25 g of sample.
The Petrifilm SALX System has been validated using representative samples of the following matrixes: raw ground chicken, pasteurized liquid whole egg, raw ground beef, raw ground pork, and cooked chicken nuggets, frozen uncooked shrimp, fresh bunched spinach, dry dog food, and stainless steel.
As with all test methods, the enrichment medium formulation can influence the results. The Petrifilm SALX Plate has only been evaluated for use with the Neogen *Salmonella* Enrichment Base, the Neogen *Salmonella* Enrichment Supplement, and Rappaport-Vassiliadis R10 (R-V R10) Broth.

DISCUSSION OF THE VALIDATION STUDY (1)
The Petrifilm *Salmonella* Express System was evaluated following the AOAC *Performance Tested Methods* requirements: inclusivity/exclusivity, ruggedness, stability/lot to lot consistency and method comparison. Nine matrixes were tested by both the Petrifilm SALX System and either the USDA/FSIS-MLG or the FDA-BAM for the detection of *Salmonella* species in food. Overall the assay was equivalent to the reference methods based on the Chi square test for significant difference and the Probability of Detection (POD). There were no unexpected results in all of the other PTM requirements.
The Petrifilm *Salmonella* Express System is sufficiently rugged to withstand small variations in the experimental parameters of enrichment incubation time and temperature, plate incubation time and temperature, disk incubation time and temperature and various plate hydration options. Each parameter was testing using both the high and low microbial load methods as described in the Instructions for Use.
The method was considered easy to perform and the package insert was found to be straight forward and easy to follow. The Petrifilm SALX System offers a significant savings in time when compared to the traditional reference methods as confirmed positive results can be obtained in as little as 44 hours for low microbial load matrixes and 52 hours for high microbial load matrixes. For foods with low microbial load, the Petrifilm SALX method eliminated the need for transfer of enriched test portions to secondary enrichments. Overall, the Petriflm *Salmonella* Express System was found to be comparable to the reference methods and was found have the benefits of rapid results, high sensitivity and high specificity for the detection of *Salmonella* in a broad range of foods.

Table 2. Inclusivity organisms and test results. (1)

Genus, species, subspecies	Serotype	Group	Sub-group	Serology	Origin	ID	Low Microbial Load Result	High Microbial Load Result
Salmonella enterica enterica	Abaetetuba	I	O:11 (F)	1 1 k 1,5	IMVS	TICC 2736	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Aberdeen	I	O:11 (F)	1 1 i 1,2	unknown	TICC 2500	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Abony	I	O:4 (B)	1, 4, 5, 12:b:e, n, x	unknown	NCTC 6017	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Abortusequi	I		4,12L-:e,n,x	unkown	ATCC 9842	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Adelaide	I	O:35 (O)	35 f,g – [z27]	unknown	TICC 2501	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Agona	I	O:4 (B)	1,4,12:f,g,s:- -	unknown	SGSC 2458, electrophoretic type Ag1; SARB1	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Amsterdam	I	O:3,10 (E1)	3 , {10}{15}{15,34} g , m , s –		TICC 2660	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Anatum	I	O:3,10 (E1)	3, {10} {15} {15,34}	unknown	TICC 2668	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Augustenborg	I	O:7 (C1)	6 , 7 ,14 i 1,2		TICC 2670	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Bareilly	I		6,7:y:1,5	unkown	ATCC 9115	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Berta	I		9,12:f,g,t:-	unkown	ATCC 8392	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Birkenhead	I	O:7 (C1)	6 ,7 c 1,6	unknown	TICC 1273	+	+

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Genus, species, subspecies	Serotype	Group	Sub-group	Serology	Origin	ID	Low Microbial Load Result	High Microbial Load Result
Salmonella enterica enterica	Blockley	I	O:8 (C2-C3)	6,8:k:1,5 6,8:k:1,5	Beth Israel Hosp., New York	ATCC 51961	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Bovis-morbificans	I	O:8 (C2-C3)	6, 8, 20	unknown	TICC 1293	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Braenderup	I	O:7 (C1)	6 , 7,14 e,h e,n,z15		TICC 2508	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Brandenburg	I	O:4 (B)	4 ,[5],12 l,v e,n,z15		TICC 2674	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Brazil	I	O:16 (I)	16:a:1, 5	unknown	NCTC 8446	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Bredeney	I	O:4 (B)	1,4,12,27	unknown	TICC 2510	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Cerro	I	O:18 (K)	6,14,18 z 4,z23 [1,5] [z45],[z82]		TICC 2176	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Cholerasuis	I	O:7 (C1)	6,7:c:1,5	swine, California	ATCC 10708	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Derby	I	O:4 (B)	1,4,[5],12	unknown	TICC 2519	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Dublin	I	O:9 (D1)	1,9,12[Vi]	unknown	TICC 2757	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Emek	I	O:8 (C2-C3)	8,20 g,m,s –	unknown	TICC 1447	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Enteritidis	I	O:9 (D1)	1,9,12 g,m –	unknown	ATCC 13076	+	+

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Genus, species, subspecies	Serotype	Group	Sub-group	Serology	Origin	ID	Low Microbial Load Result	High Microbial Load Result
Salmonella enterica enterica	Gallinarum	I	O:9 (D1)	1 ,9,12 – –		TICC 1320	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Gaminara	I		16:d:1,7	unkown	ATCC 8324	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Give	I	O:3,10 (E1)	3 ,{10}{15}{15,34} l,v 1,7 [d],[z77]		TICC 1282	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Hadar	I	O:8 (C2-C3)	6,8 z10 e,n,x		TICC 2528	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Havana	I	O:13 (G)	1,13,23 f , g,[s] – [z79]		TICC 443	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Heidelberg	I	O:4 (B)	1 ,4,[5],12 r 1,2		TICC 561	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Hessarek	I	O:4 (B)	4,12,[27] a 1,5		TICC 2655	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Indiana	I		1,4,12:z:1,7	unknown	ATCC 51959	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Infantis	I	O:7 (C1)	6,7,14 r 1,5 [R1…],[z37],[z45],[z49]		TICC 2616	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Johannesburg	I	O:40 (R)	1 , 4 0 b e,n,x		TICC 2543	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Kahla	I		4,42:z35:1,6		ATCC 17980	+	+

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Genus, species, subspecies	Serotype	Group	Sub-group	Serology	Origin	ID	Low Microbial Load Result	High Microbial Load Result
Salmonella enterica enterica	Kedougou	I	O:13 (G)	1 , 13,23 i l,w		TICC 4102	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Kentucky	I	O:8 (C2-C3)	8 ,20 i z6	IMVS	TICC 2620	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Kiambu	I	O:4 (B)	1,4,12 z 1,5	IMVS	TICC 2692	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Kimberley	I	O:38 (P)	3 8 l,v 1,5	unknown	TICC 778	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Kirkee	I		17:b:1,2			+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Kokomlemle	I	O:39 (Q)	3 9 l,v e,n,x	IMVS	TICC 2544	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Kottbus	I	O:8 (C2-C3)	6,8 e,h 1,5	IMVS	TICC 2621	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Lansing	I	O:38 (P)	38 i 1,5	IMVS	TICC 2622	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Lexington	I	O:3,10 (E1)	3, {10} {15} {15,34}	IMVS	TICC 2624	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Lille	I	O:7 (C1)	6,7,14 z38 – [z82]	IMVS	TICC 2684	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Litchfield	I	O:8 (C2-C3)	6,8 l,v 1,2	IMVS	TICC 2547	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Livingstone	I	O:7 (C1)	6 ,7,14 d l,w	IMVS	TICC 2549	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Llandoff	I	O:1,3,19 (E4)	1,3,19 z29 [z6] [z37]		TICC 1291	+	+

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Genus, species, subspecies	Serotype	Group	Sub-group	Serology	Origin	ID	Low Microbial Load Result	High Microbial Load Result
Salmonella enterica enterica	London	I	O:3,10 (E1)	3, {10} {15}	IMVS	TICC 2550	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Manhattan	I	O:8 (C2-C3)	6,8 d 1,5 [z58]	unknown	TICC 2551	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Mbandaka	I	O:7 (C1)	6,7,14 z10 e,n,z15 [z37],[z45]	unknown	TICC 1289	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Miami	I	O:9 (D1)	1,9,12:a:1,5	unknown	SGSC 2485	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Montevideo	I	O:7 (C1)	{ 6 ,7,14}{54} g,m,[p],s [1 ,2,7]	unknown	TICC 763	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Muenchen	I	O:8 (C2-C3)	6,8:d:1,2	France	SGSC 2490, electrophoretic type Mu2; SARB33	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Naestved	I	O:9 (D1)	1,9,12 g,p,s –	human; Ontario, Canada	SGSC 3612, 88/8	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Newport	I	O:8 (C2-C3)	6,8:e,h:1,2 6,8:e,h:1,2	food poisoning, England	ATCC 6962	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Nottingham	I	O:16 (I)	16:d:e, n, z15	unknown	NCTC 7832	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Ohio	I	O:7 (C1)	6,7,14 b l,w [z59]		TICC 444	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Oranienburg	I	O:7 (C1)	6 , 7,14 m,t [z57]		TICC 2560	+	+

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Genus, species, subspecies	Serotype	Group	Sub-group	Serology	Origin	ID	Low Microbial Load Result	High Microbial Load Result
Salmonella enterica enterica	Orion	I	O:3,10 (E1)	3 ,{10}{15}{15,34} y 1,5		TICC 720	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Panama	I	O:9 (D1)	1,9,12:l,v:1,5	Italy	SGSC 2496, electrophoretic type Pn1; SARB39	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Paratyphi A	I	O:2 (A)	1,2,12:a:[1,5]	unknown	SGSC 2499, electrophoretic type Pa1; SARB42	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Paratyphi B	I	O:4 (B)	1 ,4,[5],12	unknown	TICC 2240	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Paratyphi C	I	O:7 (C1)	6,7,[Vi]	human clinical isolate, Switzerland	SGSC 3592, 4034-88	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Poona	I	O:13 (G)	1,13,22	unknown	TICC 2472	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Reading	I	O:4 (B)	1,4,[5],12	unknown	SGSC 2510	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Rissen	I	O:7 (C1)	6,7,14 f,g –		TICC 2644	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Rubislaw	I	O:11 (F)	1 1 r e,n,x	unknown	TICC 2645	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Saint Paul	I	O:4 (B)	1,4,[5],12	unknown	TICC 559	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Schwarzengrund	I	O:4 (B)	1 , 4 , 1 2,27	IMVS	TICC 4513	+	+

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Genus, species, subspecies	Serotype	Group	Sub-group	Serology	Origin	ID	Low Microbial Load Result	High Microbial Load Result
Salmonella enterica enterica	Sendai	I	O:9 (D1)	1,9,12:a:1,5	California	SGSC 2515, electrophoretic type Se1; SARB58	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Senftenberg	I	O:1,3,19 (E4)	1 ,3,19 g,[s],t –[z27],[z34],[z37],[z43],[z45],[z46],[z82]	unknown	TICC 2178,	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Singapore	I	O:7 (C1)	6 ,7 k e,n,x		TICC 2652,	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Stanley	I	O:4 (B)	1,4,[5],12,[27]	Scotland	SGSC 2517, electrophoretic type St1; Biotype 26bei.; SARB60	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Tennessee	I	O:7 (C1)	6 ,7,14 z29 [1,2,7]	IMVS	TICC 2577	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Thompson	I	O:7 (C1)	6 , 7,14 k 1,5 [R1…]	human, Florida	SGSC 2519, electrophoretic type Th1; SARB62	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Typhi	I	O:9 (D1)	9,12[Vi] d –[z66]		ATCC 9993	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Typhimurium	I	O:4 (B)	1 , 4 ,[5],12	bovine, septicaemic liver	ATCC 14028	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Typhimurium (nm)*	I					+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Typhimurium (nm)*	I					+	+

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Genus, species, subspecies	Serotype	Group	Sub-group	Serology	Origin	ID	Low Microbial Load Result	High Microbial Load Result
Salmonella enterica enterica	Typhimurium (nm)*						+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	UNNAMED	I	O:7 (C1)	6,7:c:1,5		SGSC 3038	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Virchow	I	O:7 (C1)	6,7,14 r 1,2	unknown	TICC 552	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Virginia	I	O:8 (C2-C3)	8 d 1,2		TICC 2659	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Wandsworth	I	O:39 (Q)	3 9 b 1,2	IMVS	TICC 2661	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Waycross	I	O:41 (S)	41 z4,z23 [e,n,z15]	unknown	TICC 566	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Welikade	I	O:16 (I)	1 6 l,v 1,7	IMVS	TICC 2586	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Weltevreden	I	O:3,10 (E1)	3 , {10}{15}	IMVS	TICC 2663	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Westhampton	I	O:3,10 (E1)	3,{10}{15}{15, 34} g,s,t – [z37]		TICC 3053	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Wien	I	O:4 (B)	1,4,12,[27]	France	SGSC 2528, electrophoretic type Wi1; SARB71	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Worthington	I	O:13 (G)	1 ,13,23 z l,w [z43]	IMVS	TICC 2587	+	+
Salmonella enterica enterica	Zanzibar	I	O:3,10 (E1)	3,{10}{15} k 1,5	IMVS	TICC 2589	+	+

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Genus, species, subspecies	Serotype	Group	Sub-group	Serology	Origin	ID	Low Microbial Load Result	High Microbial Load Result
Salmonella enterica enterica	Zehlendorf	I	O:30 (N)	3 0 a 1,5	IMVS	TICC 2395	+	+
Salmonella enterica houtenae	(IV Argentina)	IV	6, 7	6,7:z36:-	unknown	SGSC 2555	+	+
Salmonella enterica houtenae	(IV Wassenaar)	IV	O ag grp Z	IV 50:g,z51:-	Massachusettes	SGSC 2576	+	+
Salmonella enterica houtenae		IV		43:z4,z23: - -	unknown	SGSC 3084	+	+
Salmonella enterica houtenae		IV	40 R	43:z4, z23:-	unknown	NCTC 10401	+	+
Salmonella enterica indica	(VI Flint)	VI	6, 14 (H)	50:z4,z23:-	unknown	SGSC 2554	+	+
Salmonella enterica indica	(VI Vrindaban)	VI	O ag grp W	45:a:e,n,x	England	SGSC 2582	+	+
Salmonella enterica indica		VI		45:a:e,n,x	unknown	SGSC 3116	+	+
Salmonella enterica indica	(India)	VI			unknown	BAA-1578	+	+
Salmonella enterica salamae		II		1,9,12:l,w:e,n	Africa	ATCC 6959	+	+
Salmonella enterica salamae	(Betioky)	II		59:k:(z)	Madagascar	ATCC 700152	+	+
Salmonella enterica salamae	(Tranoroa)	II		55:k:z39	Unknown	ATCC 700148	+	+
Salmonella enterica salamae	(II Setubal)	II		60:g,m,t:z6	Mississipi	SGSC 2567	+	+

ATCC - American Type Culture Collection; BAA-from American Type Culture Collection; FSD- 3M Food Safety Culture Collection; NCTC - National Collection of Type Cultures; SGSC- Salmonella Genetic Stock Centre
TICC - Tecra International Culture

Table. 3 Exclusivity organisms and test results. (1)

Organism	ID	Test Result
Cedecea neteri	ATCC 33855	-
Citrobacter brakii	ATCC 29063	-
Citrobacter diversus	TICC 1604	-
Citrobacter freundii	ATCC 8090	-
Citrobacter koseri	TICC 4469	-
Citrobacter sedlakii	TICC 4088	-
Citrobacter youngae	TICC 4255	-
Cronobacter sakazakii	ATCC 29544	-
Edwardsiella tarda	NCTC 10396	-
Enterobacter aerogenes	ATCC 13048	-
Enterobacter amnigenus	ATCC 51816	-
Enterococcus faecalis	ATCC 14506	-
Escherichia coli	ATCC 25922	-
Escherichia coli O157:H7	PSU 93.0134	-
Escherichia hermanii	TICC 2489	-
Escherichia vulneris	TICC 447	-
Hafnia alvei	ATCC 51815	-
Klebsiella oxytoca	ATCC 51817	-
Klebsiella pneumoniae	ATCC 23357	-
Morganella morganii	ATCC 25830	-
Pantoea spp	TICC 4488	-
Proteus mirabilis	ATCC 43071	-
Proteus vulgaris	ATCC 13315	-
Providencia rettgeri	TICC 4472	-
Serratia ficaria	TICC 4475	-
Serratia liquefaciens	ATCC 51814	-
Serratia marcesens	ATCC 14041	-
Shigella sonnei	ATCC 25931	-
Staphylococcus aureus	ATCC 25923	-
Yersinia enterocolitica	ATCC 23715	-
Yersinia kristensenii	ATCC 33639	-
Yersinia ruckerii	ATCC 29473	-

ATCC - American Type Culture Collection; NCTC - National Collection of Type Cultures; PSU-Penn State University Culture Collection; TICC - Tecra International Culture Collection

Table 9 . Summary of Method Comparison for High Microbial Load Matrixes (≥10⁴CFU/g) (1)

Method	USDA/FSIS- MLG	3M Petrifilm SALX								
Raw Ground Chicken	14	Number of presumptive positive test portions on 3M Petrifilm SALX Plates				Confirmed positive by 3M Petrifilm SALX Confirmation Disk				USDA/FSIS MLG Confirmation
		Enrichment		Enrichment		Enrichment		Enrichment		
		8 Hr RV-R10	24 Hr RV-R10	8 Hr RV-R10	24 Hr RV-R10	8 Hr RV-R10	24 Hr RV-R10	8 Hr RV-R10	24 Hr RV-R10	
		15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	14
Method	**FDA/BAM**	**3M Petrifilm SALX**								
Frozen Uncooked Shrimp	10	Number of presumptive positive test portions on 3M Petrifilm SALX Plates				Confirmed positive by 3M Petrifilm SALX Confirmation Disk				FDA/BAM Confirmation
		Enrichment		Enrichment		Enrichment		Enrichment		
		8 Hr RV-R10	24 Hr RV-R10	8 Hr RV-R10	24 Hr RV-R10	8 Hr RV-R10	24 Hr RV-R10	8 Hr RV-R10	24 Hr RV-R10	
		12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
Method	**FDA/BAM**	**3M Petrifilm SALX**								
Fresh Spinach	10	Number of presumptive positive test portions on 3M Petrifilm SALX Plates				Confirmed positive by 3M Petrifilm SALX Confirmation Disk				FDA/BAM Confirmation
		Enrichment		Enrichment		Enrichment		Enrichment		
		8 Hr RV-R10	24 Hr RV-R10	8 Hr RV-R10	24 Hr RV-R10	8 Hr RV-R10	24 Hr RV-R10	8 Hr RV-R10	24 Hr RV-R10	
		7	11	7	11	7	11	7	11	11
Method	**USDA/FSIS- MLG**	**3M Petrifilm SALX**								
Raw Ground Beef	13	Number of presumptive positive test portions on 3M Petrifilm SALX Plates				Confirmed positive by 3M Petrifilm SALX Confirmation Disk				USDA/FSIS MLG Confirmation
		Enrichment		Enrichment		Enrichment		Enrichment		
		8 Hr RV-R10	24 Hr RV-R10	8 Hr RV-R10	24 Hr RV-R10	8 Hr RV-R10	24 Hr RV-R10	8 Hr RV-R10	24 Hr RV-R10	
		13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13
Method	**USDA/FSIS- MLG**	**3M Petrifilm SALX**								
Raw Ground Pork	9	Number of presumptive positive test portions on 3M Petrifilm SALX Plates				Confirmed positive by 3M Petrifilm SALX Confirmation Disk				USDA/FSIS MLG Confirmation
		Enrichment		Enrichment		Enrichment		Enrichment		
		8 Hr RV-R10	24 Hr RV-R10	8 Hr RV-R10	24 Hr RV-R10	8 Hr RV-R10	24 Hr RV-R10	8 Hr RV-R10	24 Hr RV-R10	
		9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9

Table 10 . Summary of Method Comparison for Low Microbial Load Matrixes(≤10^4CFU/g) (1)

Method	USDA/FSIS- MLG	3M Petrifilm SALX Method				
		Presumptive positive test portions on 3M Petrifilm SALX Plates		Confirmed positive by 3M SALX Confirmation Disk		
Pasteurized Liquid Whole Eggs	4	18 Hr Primary Enrichment	24 Hr Primary Enrichment	18 Hr Primary Enrichment	24 Hr Primary Enrichment	USDA/MLG Confirmation
		6	6	6	6	6
Method	**FDA/BAM**	**3M Petrifilm SALX Method**				
		Presumptive positive test portions on 3M Petrifilm SALX Plates		Confirmed positive by 3M SALX Confirmation Disk		
Dry Dog Food	14	18 Hr Primary Enrichment	24 Hr Primary Enrichment	18 Hr Primary Enrichment	24 Hr Primary Enrichment	FDA/BAM Confirmation
		16	16	16	16	16
Method	**FDA/BAM**	**3M Petrifilm SALX Method**				
		Presumptive positive test portions on 3M Petrifilm SALX Plates		Confirmed positive by 3M SALX Confirmation Disk		
Stainless Steel	7	18 Hr Primary Enrichment	24 Hr Primary Enrichment	18 Hr Primary Enrichment	24 Hr Primary Enrichment	FDA/BAM Confirmation
		6	6	6	6	6
Method	**USDA/FSIS- MLG**	**3M Petrifilm SALX Method**				
		Presumptive positive test portions on 3M Petrifilm SALX Plates		Confirmed positive by 3M SALX Confirmation Disk		
Cooked Chicken Nuggets	6	18 Hr Primary Enrichment	24 Hr Primary Enrichment	18 Hr Primary Enrichment	24 Hr Primary Enrichment	USDA/MLG Confirmation
		6	6	6	6	6

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