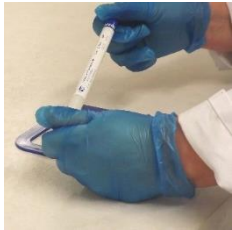
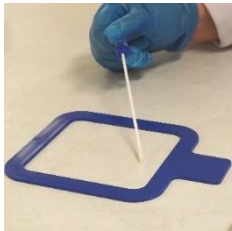


GUIDANCE FOR USE

SwabSURE ListeriaP

All samples should be kept cool until testing is performed.

STEP 1 Identify the site to be sampled. It is recommended to use a template for accurate results where possible (TS/15-T). 	STEP 2 Hold the swab with both hands, pull down and twist the swab cap away from the tube; breaking the security seal in the process. 
STEP 3 Remove swab from tube using the cap as a holder. Do not touch the swab tip or shaft and make sure that it does not touch any surface before sampling. Do not discard the tube. 	STEP 4 Sample designated area using a template where possible. If the area permits, swab in 3 planes (horizontal, vertical and diagonal) whilst rotating swab between forefinger and thumb. 
STEP 5 When sampling is completed insert swab back into the tube and push cap on tightly. 	STEP 6 (DELAYED TEST) Write sample details on tube label. Store at 4-8°C (or cool & dry as possible) and send to the laboratory within 24 hours to initiate the chromogenic test. 
STEP 7 (IMMEDIATE TEST) Alternatively (where permitted), immediately insert swab into SS-L01 media tube. Pull down on the swab shaft whilst supported inside the tube to activate breakpoint*. Replace Cap & agitate lightly (do not shake). *Turn swab 180 degrees if activation is delayed. 	STEP 8 (CHROMOGENIC TEST) Place tubes into a rack & incubate them horizontally at 36±1°C for 24-48 hours. 
STEP 8 (READING RESULTS) Check results in 24-48 hours. Change of media colour to turquoise-blue indicates presumptive presence of <i>L.monocytogenes</i> or <i>L.ivanovii</i>. <u>This is very specific result only created by pathogenic Listeria.</u> 	STEP 9 (CONFIRMATION when required) Confirm by using blue liquid in validated rapid test or sub-culture 1-5ul of liquid onto a dried sheep blood agar plate & streak to single colonies. After approx. 18-24 hours check for typical Listeria colonies with haemolysis pattern. Alternatively use: 1. Commercial Listeria Media like ALOA 2. PCR Methods (after isolation) 3. Commercial Biochemical Test Strips

Have you considered? Sterile Sampling Template - TS/15-T



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