

For detection of *Acinetobacter* and MDR *Acinetobacter* species

Colorex™

Colorex[™] Acinetobacter

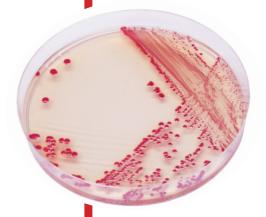


Plate Reading

For detection of *Acinetobacter* spp.:

- · Acinetobacter spp.
- → red
- Other Gram (-)
- → blue or mostly inhibited
- Gram (+) bacteria and yeasts
- → inhibited

For detection of MDR *Acinetobacter* spp. (if using the optional supplement CR102):

- MDR Acinetobacter
- → red
- Non-MDR Acinetobacter
- → inhibited

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Background

Common bacteria widely spread in the nature, *Acinetobacter* has the capacity to survive in dry as well as moist environments. It becomes a source of infection in hospital environment when colonizing medical equipments, human skin and sometimes foodstuff. *Acinetobacter* species are generally not pathogenic for healthy people but are life threatening in compromised patients. It is often isolated in nosocomial infections cases, intensive care units, and can for instance cause nosocomial pneumonia, bacteraemia, and meningitis.

Especially, *Acinetobacter baumannii* is becoming a major hospital-acquired infection issue because of its often multi-drug resistance (MDR: resistance to C3G, quinolones, carbapenem etc). This contributes to the increase of morbidity and mortality.

Active surveillance is necessary to control its spread in the facilities, to reduce the risk of cross-contamination, and to identify the carriers. Rapid identification of patients that are colonized with *Acinetobacter* would lead to infection control practices aimed at preventing spread of the organisms.

Medium Performance

- One unique Red colour: Detection of *A. baumanii* from traditional culture media might be a difficult and tedious task due to the abundance of background flo a found in collected specimens, especially when using media based on differentiation by the lactose/non-lactose fermentation ability. To overcome these difficulties, Colorex[™] Acinetobacter was designed as a highly selective medium, allowing the growth of *Acinetobacter* in conspiciously red colonies, after overnight incubation.
- FIRST chromogenic medium for *Acinetobacter* detection.
- Screening of MDR *Acinetobacter:* This medium can be supplemented to enhance MDR specificity allowing the growth of carbapenem-resistant strains.

Medium Description

Powder Base Supplement (included in the pack)	Total 32.8 g/L Agar 15.0 Peptone and yeast extract 12.0 Salts 4.0 Chromogenic mix 1.8 Storage at 15/30 °C - pH: 7.0 +/- 0.2 2 years Growth and regulator factors 4 mL/L Storage at 15/30 °C
(included in the pack)	Aspect: Liquid Form Shelf Life
Colorex [™] MDR Supplement : CR102 Order separately	Selective mix

Usual Samples	Stools, urine, wounds.
Procedure	Direct Streaking. Incubation 18-24 h at 37 °C Aerobic conditions.

