

06728 Hydrogen Sulfide Test Strips (Lead acetate test strips, H₂S test strips)

These strips are used for detection of hydrogen sulfide production by microorganisms. Hydrogen sulfide can be produced in small amounts from sulfur containing amino acids like cysteine by a large number of bacteria in carbohydrate media. Hydrogen sulfide produces on contact with lead acetate a black precipitate, indicated by a visible black coloured reaction on the hydrogen sulfide paper strip. The lead acetate procedure is more sensitive than any other method for detecting hydrogen sulfide production; it is even possible to detect traces of hydrogen sulphide.

Contents:

(1 package contains 25 strips)

Sterile filter paper strips impregnated with lead acetate

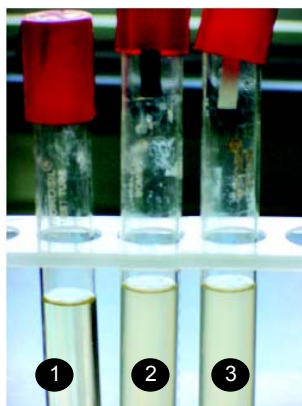
Directions:

Inoculate Peptone Water (Fluka 70179) with the test organism. Insert a lead acetate paper strip between the plug and inner wall of tube, above the inoculated medium and incubate at 35°C for 18-24 hours.

Quality control:

Cultural response after 18-24 hours at 35°C. A positive reaction appears as blackening of the lower part of the strip. A negative reaction shows no blackening.

Test Organisms (ATCC)	H ₂ S production
<i>Escherichia coli</i> (25922)	-
<i>Salmonella serotype Enteritidis</i> (13076)	+
<i>Salmonella serotype Typhimurium</i> (14028)	+



1. Control
2. *Salmonella serotype Typhimurium*
3. *Escherichia coli*

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