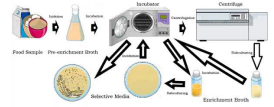


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## Abstract

This protocol is based on existing protocols, such as those for resuscitating microbes, freeze-drying, and selective isolation. It merges the parts of the three protocols to create a new protocol for isolating microbes via resuscitation, centrifugation, and selective isolation. The first part involves resuscitating the microbes; the second part subjects the medium to centrifugation (concentration of the microbes); the third and final part involves the selective growth in a selective broth and subsequent growth on selective agar.

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The flowchart represents the process of bacterial isolation and cultivation from a food sample for laboratory analysis. The steps involved include resuscitation, centrifugation, and selective isolation. The first part involves resuscitating the microbes; the second part subjects the medium to centrifugation (concentration of the microbes); the third and final part involves the selective growth in a selective broth and subsequent growth on selective agar.


## Guidelines

Laboratory protocols must be followed, and the environment must be kept as sterile as possible.

## Materials

Petri-dish, Centrifuge Machine, Falcon tubes, Wire-loop, bunsen burner, spatula, vortex shaker, incubator

## Safety warnings

 Aseptic techniques should strictly be followed

## Ethics statement



No animals are harmed/used in this experimental setup

## Before start

Wear necessary safety gear before commencing the work



## Resuscitation of Microorganism


- 1 To the resuscitation broth media (e.g., peptone water, tryptic soy broth, Luria-Bertani broth, etc.), add the sample, making a 10% solution, i.e.,  10 mg in  90 mL .
- 2 Incubate the broth culture at 37°C for 24-48 hours

1d



## Centrifugation of the resuscitation media

30m

- 3 The grown broth culture is then centrifuged  5000 rpm, 4°C, 00:30:00
- 4 Then, concentrate the cell suspension and decant the culture supernatant.




30m



5m

## Selective medium growth of desired organism

2d

- 5 Mix cell pellets with the desired selective medium broth. Suspend cells thoroughly by using a vortex mix  100 rpm, 00:05:00 until complete cell resuspension is achieved aseptically.
- 6 Then, incubate at the desired temperature  24:00:00 , which can be extended up to  168:00:00 .
- 7 From the above selective broth, subculture onto a selective agar for the desired organism.
- 8 incubate the selective agar plate at the required temperature for 24–48 hours. then observe for the desired growth and colony morphologies
- 9 Store the isolate for further tests (Biochemical, Molecular, etc.)

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