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FBS heat inactivation

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ABSTRACT

The objective of heat inactivation is to destroy complement activity in the serum without affecting the growth-promoting characteristics of the product. Removal of complement activity from serum, such as fetal bovine serum, is not required for most cell cultures but may be necessary for cultures that are sensitive to the complement activity. Since heat inactivation of the serum may, to some extent, decrease the growth performance properties of the serum, this procedure should only be performed if required for optimal cell growth. Researchers should evaluate the applicability of heat inactivation regarding their own application.

GUIDELINES

Do not use heat inactivated FBS unless necessary.

MATERIALS

Circulating hot water bath

Timer

Thermometer

Ice bath

SAFETY WARNINGS

58 degrees Celsius is hot. Take care when working with these temperatures.

BEFORE START INSTRUCTIONS

Clean and sanitize everything

2d 3h 24m **Inactivation** 1d 0h 42m Preparation

1.1 1d Slow thaw FBS at 4 °C overnight 1.2 10m 1.3 Prepare an volumetrically equal blank container with distilled water 2m 1.4 Equalibriate FBS and distilled water for 00:30:00 at Room temperature 30m 2 30m Prepare a water bath 2.1 20m Clean and add distilled water to an appropriate hight 2.2 Set temperature to \$\ \ 58 \cdot \cdot \) 10m 3 **FBS** inactivation 3.1 Set FBS aliquots and distilled water blank into preheated water bath at 8 58 °C for 35m © 00:30:00 Use a thermometer to track temperature in distilled water blank, and start timer

when temperature reach $\mbox{\$ 56 \ ^{\circ}C}$. Agitate aliquots every $\mbox{\textcircled{\bullet}}\mbox{00:05:00}$ by mixing

Remove aliquots from heat bath, and place FBS & On ice or & 4 °C for 00:30:00

30m

3.3 Store aliquots at \$ -20 °C