

Listeria Right Now™

An enrichment-free environmental monitoring tool for *Listeria* detection providing actionable results in less than 60 minutes.



Less than an hour? How is this possible?

The ANSR® *Listeria* Right Now system is able to detect very low numbers of *Listeria* spp., including *L. monocytogenes*, from environmental samples without enrichment. The system employs an isothermal, amplified nucleic acid-based reaction to target rRNA. Amplification occurs through a polymerization mechanism by a specific endonuclease. Detection occurs in real-time using a fluorescent, molecular beacon.

Ribosomal RNA is present in much greater numbers in *Listeria* cells than the traditional DNA target (~1000 – 10,000 copies per cell vs. 1 copy per cell for DNA). This can result in a 1,000 – 10,000 fold increase in target analyte concentration.

The isothermal reaction within the instrument produces a constant cycle of molecular replication producing analyte copies much more quickly than traditional PCR reactions which run through a series of heating and cooling cycles.

Summary: significantly more targets with a significantly faster cycle time = significantly faster results.



Less than a 60 Minute Total Time-To-Result Means Everything Has Changed

Now you can:

- Use *Listeria* monitoring as a process control
- Perform corrective actions more quickly — fix the issue before it becomes a serious problem — clean and re-test
- Conduct investigations in near real-time after positives
- Perform vectoring more easily
- Be more flexible and proactive with your environmental testing program

No enrichment with an easy-to-use system means you can conduct *Listeria* environmental testing in your facility without concern for “growing pathogens.”

“Culture-independent” method also means no exposure to trace-backs tied to retained cultures.



Neogen Validation Data

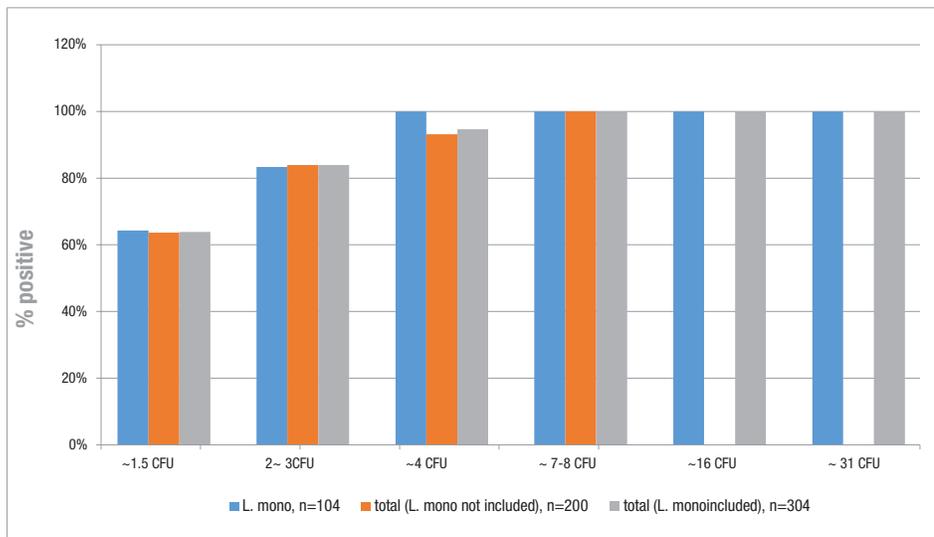
Listeria with and without background organisms on different surfaces:

Surface type	Trial	<i>Listeria</i> CFU/swab	N	ANSR <i>Listeria</i> Right Now +	Culture +	dPOD (95% CI)
Stainless steel	Lm (4b) only	1	15	3	2	0.07 (-0.21, 0.34)
		2	15	10	7	0.20 (-0.14, 0.48)
		2438	5	5	5	0 (-0.43, 0.43)
		0	5	0	0	0 (-0.43, 0.43)
Stainless steel	Lm (4b) + background	1.8	20	8	7	0.05 (-0.23, 0.32)
		1800	5	5	5	0 (-0.43, 0.43)
		0	5	0	0	0 (-0.43, 0.43)
Plastic	L. innocua + background	2.3	20	9	9	0 (-0.28, 0.28)
		2250	5	5	5	0 (-0.43, 0.43)
		0	5	0	0	0 (-0.43, 0.43)
Sealed concrete	L. welshimeri + background	1.2	20	6	11	-0.25 (-0.5, 0.05)
		1550	5	5	5	0 (-0.43, 0.43)
		0	5	0	0	0 (-0.43, 0.43)
Ceramic tile	Lm (1/2a) + background	1.93	20	14	9	0.25 (-0.05, 0.50)
		1930	5	5	5	0 (-0.43, 0.43)
		0	5	0	0	0 (-0.43, 0.43)

dPOD (95% CI) = difference between the candidate method and reference method calculated as a Probability of Detection with a 95% confidence interval. The ANSR *Listeria* Right Now kit is designed using swabs, not sponges for sampling in order to get the proper sample concentration into the assay. ANSR *Listeria* Right Now has been tested on surfaces with residual cleaning agents. The residual cleaning agents had no effect on the assay. ANSR *Listeria* Right Now is an environmental test and due to sample homogeneity, matrix effects, and representative sample volume, it is not intended for use with food products.

Limit of Detection:

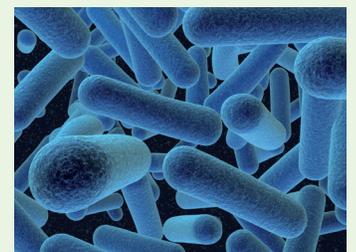
4 CFU per swab with 95% confidence



Method: Inoculated directly onto swab

Organisms Tested:

- L. monocytogenes*
- L. innocua*
- L. welshimeri*
- L. grayi*
- L. ivanovii*
- L. seeligeri*



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Environmental surface study results for *Listeria monocytogenes* and background organisms on stainless steel.

Level	Theoretical Inoculum (CFU/swab)	Sample Number	LRN Positive	% LRN Positive	Culture Positive	% Culture Positive
Negative	0	5	0	0%	0	0%
Positive	2.4E+4	5	5	100%	5	100%
L1	3	15	14	93%	9	60%
L2	9	15	15	100%	15	100%
L3	22.5	15	15	100%	15	100%

Note: The table presents the results for the environmental surface study using a challenge inoculum of *L. monocytogenes* plus a consortium of competing organisms. Three different inoculation levels were evaluated on the stainless steel carriers: Level 1 = 3 CFU, Level 2 = 9 CFU and Level 3 = 22.5 CFU (theoretical CFU/swab). At Level 1, the detection rates for LRN and the reference enrichment-based culture method were 93% and 60%, respectively. At Levels 2 and 3, the detection rates for ANSR *Listeria* Right Now and the reference enrichment-based culture method were 100%. No false negatives, false positives or invalids were observed during this study. The data illustrates that under the conditions employed in this study ANSR *Listeria* Right Now is as sensitive as the enrichment-based culture reference method for detection of *L. monocytogenes* on a stainless steel surface.



TEST REPORT

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Executive Summary: Neogen Corporation requested NSF International to perform a validation study to evaluate the performance of the *Listeria* Right Now Assay (LRN) for detection of *Listeria* spp. in environmental swabs without enrichment.

Thank you for having your product tested by NSF International.

Please contact your Project Manager if you have any questions or concerns pertaining to this report.

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Summary/Conclusion

The purpose of this study was to evaluate the performance of the ANSR *Listeria* Right Now (LRN) assay for the detection of *Listeria* spp. in environmental swabs without a prior enrichment process.

After allowing the inoculum to partially dry (50%), surface samples were collected using semi-paired swabs. One swab was tested by the ANSR *Listeria* Right Now assay and the other swab was enriched by the culture method. The swab for the culture method was enriched overnight at 37°C in growth medium and an aliquot plated on to agar plates for detection on the following day. In the ANSR *Listeria* Right Now test, the entire collected contents of the swab were subjected to sample processing and testing on the same day.

No false negatives, false positives or invalids were observed during this study. The evaluation determined that under the conditions employed in this study, **the enrichment-free *Listeria* Right Now method is as sensitive as the enrichment-based culture reference method** for detection of *L. monocytogenes* on a stainless steel surface.

ANSR *Listeria* Right Now is a Complete System

System components: Item No. 9837

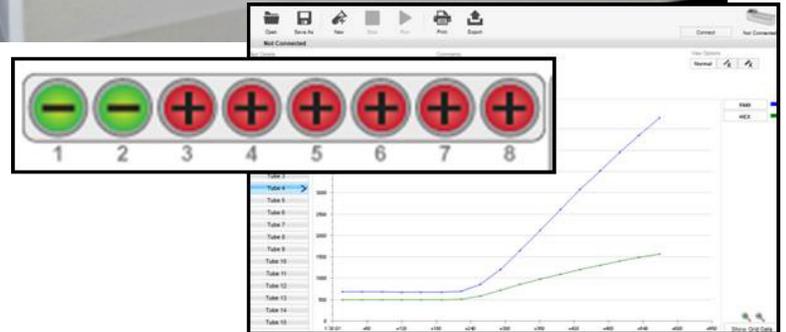
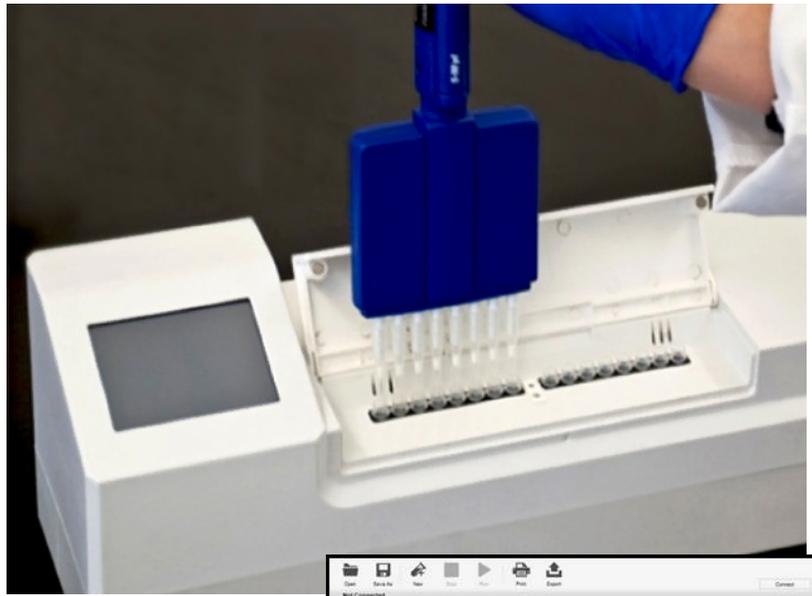
16-well, isothermal polymerization instrument
ANSR *Listeria* Right Now detection software
Two (2) heater blocks

Each Assay Kit contains: Item No. 9873

96 reaction tubes with internal positive control
96 environmental sampling swabs
All necessary components

Simple and Easy To Use

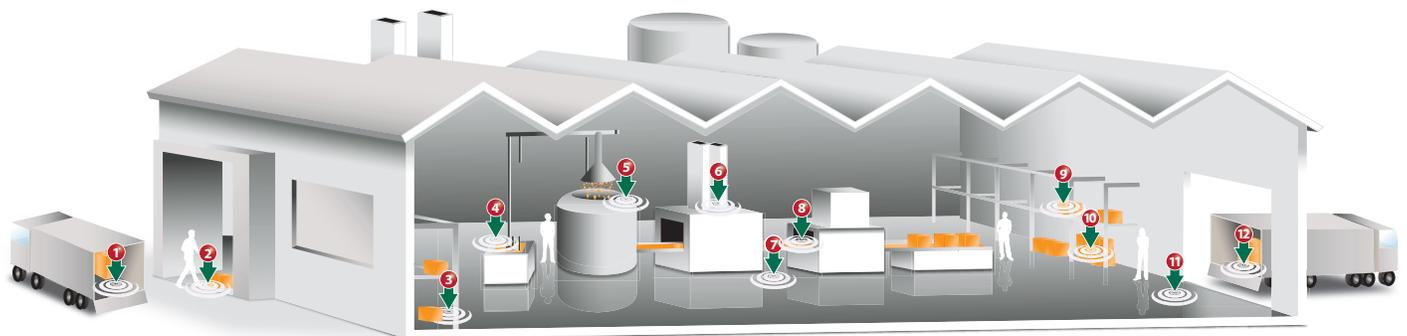
1. Swab surface
2. Express swab in Eppendorf tube with lysis buffer
3. Transfer solution to cluster tube and place in first heater block
4. Transfer tubes to second heater block
5. Transfer solution to reagent tubes, cap and place in reader. Hit "start"



Vectoring

The process of identifying the sources and flow of environmental pathogens is often called "vectoring." This process typically involves a physical examination of an identified source and its surrounding area as well as specific processes such as the food production and sanitation efforts involved in the

area. Through a structured series of microbiological samples, sources and vectors of contamination can be identified and corrective actions implemented. Because of the quick time to result of ANSR *Listeria* Right Now and its relative low cost, vectoring is easier without the need for external resources.





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