Food industry, institutional kitchens and retail shops are required by law to carry out systematic hygiene sampling and set up an in-house control program (EC 2073/2005). To verify the cleanliness we recommend Hygicult dipslide product line.
Cost-effective solution for your in-house control

Hygicult is a hinged plastic slide covered on both sides with agar medium and closed in an aseptic vial.

- Hygicult TPC for total aerobic bacteria
- Hygicult E for Enterobacteriaceae
- Hygicult E / beta-GUR for Enterobacteriaceae and E.coli

Hygicult TPC and E are validated in a collaborative study in 12 laboratories, validation reports have been approved by AOAC (Association of Analytical Communities) and NMKL (Nordic Committee on Food Analysis).

Hygicult dipslides are recommended in the national guidelines for implementing EC 2073/2005 by EVIRA, Finnish Food Safety Authority.

Advantages in using Hygicult in in-house monitoring

- Ready-to-use on-site test
- Labor-saving, time-saving
- Established, reliable, well documented and proven method
- Longer shelf-life compared to plates
- Culture method detecting the number of living microbes
- No counting of colonies, result interpretation with the help of a model chart
- In case a sample is needed for further cultivation in a lab, transportation with a dipslide is very handy
- Manufactured according to validated processes

Examples of control points:

It’s so easy to use!

Take the sample by pressing the slide against the fabric or other surface. See kit instructions for other ways of sampling.

Incubation may take place either in an incubator or outside it at room temperature.

Storage: at room temperature protected from light and draught

Disposal: burn, autoclave or immerse in a disinfectant over night.

Hygicult TPC validation approved by AOAC and NordVal

Hygicult TPC  
for monitoring general hygienic status, as it supports the growth of total bacteria as well as yeasts and moulds  
Cat. No. 68010

Hygicult E & beta-GUR  
A two-medium dipslide for detection of Enterobacteriaceae and the presence of beta-glucuronidase positive organisms  
Cat. No. 68267

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