3M™ Petrifilm™ Plates

Sample Preparation

Add sample to dilution buffer¹ Adjust pH?² Shake³ 3M Petrifilm Plate

Notes

- 1. 3M Petrifilm Plate Guide to Dilution Preparation
- Adjust pH to recommended range found in the plate's Product Instructions. Note: Once a protocol has been developed, pH adjustment can become routine at this step.
- Shake. United States dairy guidelines recommend making 25 complete up and down (or back and forth) movements of about 30 cm in 7 seconds.
- 4. Settle. Some samples may need a few minutes to settle before inoculation. Settling makes pipetting easier and minimizes the number of food particles on the plate.

Solid	Weigh sample ¹	Add dilution buffer¹	Adjust pH?²	Stomach or blend or shake	Settle⁴	3M Petrifilm Plate
Viscous or So Sample	0.003					
	NOTE: Use of a stomacher bag with filter minimizes food particles on the plate.					

For more information on 3M Petrifilm Plates, visit us at www.3M.com/foodsafety/Petrifilm



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