

BBL[®] CRYSTAL

IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM



Why to use BBL[®] CRYSTAL[™] IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM

- Covers all identification needs.
- Closed system with high safety.
- Easy to use system.
- Unique inoculation procedure.
- No reagents required.
- Reliable and accurate.







Introduction

Micromethods for the biochemical identification of microorganisms were reported as early as 1918.





Concept of BBL[®] CRYSTAL[™] ID SYSTEM

- Many of the tests used in the BBLCrystal are modifications of classical methods.
- These include tests for:
- 1- Fermentation.
- 2- Oxidation
- 3- Degradation
- 4- Hydrolysis of various substrates.
- In addition, there are Chromogen and Fluorogen linked substrates to detect enzymes that microbes use to metabolize various substrates.



BBL[®] CRYSTAL[™] ACCESSORIES

Device/Acc.	Function
BBL [®] Crystal [™] Panel Viewer	Panel Viewer with combined white & UV light for interpretation of chromogenic & fluorogenic reactions
BBL [®] CrystalSpec [™] Nephelometer	A battery powered instrument for correct adjustment of McF standards (0,5 und 4,0).
BBL® Crystal™ MIND Database	Electronic, interactive Codebook for data interpretation and reviewing the results.
BBL [®] Crystal [™] Autoreader	Automatic reading of the Crystal panels in connection with the Crystal MIND Database .









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BBL[®] CRYSTAL[™] TECHNOLOGY

 An identification system with fluorogenic and chromogenic substrates for detection of enzymes, which are used by microorganisms for metabolism.

• Some substrates are modifications of classical methods (sugar, aminoacids,etc) other substrates are more unusal.



BBL[®] CRYSTAL[™] TECHNOLOGY

CHROMOGENIC & FLUOROGENIC SUBSTRATES



BBL® CRYSTAL[™] TESTKITS

• BBL[®] Crystal[™] E/NF

Test system for identification of <u>Enterobacteriaceae</u> and non-fermentive Gram -ve bacilli .

BBL[®] Crystal[™] GP

Test system for identification of <u>Gram +ve cocci</u> and <u>Gram +ve bacilli.</u>

BBL[®] Crystal[™] RG/P

Rapid-testsystem for identification of <u>Gram +ve cocci</u> and <u>Gram +ve bacilli</u>.

BBL[®] Crystal[™] ANAEROB

Test system for identification of Anaerobic organisms

BBL[®] Crystal[™] N/H

Test system for identification of Neisseria / Haemophilus



BBL[®] CRYSTAL[™] IDENTIFICATIONSYSTEMS

BBL[®] Crystal[™] Database - Taxonomie

- BBL Crystal E/NF 123 SPECIES 40 GENERA
- BBL Crystal GP 121 SPECIES 24 GENERA
- BBL Crystal R/GP 92 SPECIES 19 GENERA
- BBL Crystal Anaerob 108 SPECIES 25 GENERA
- BBL Crystal N/H 37 SPECIES 11 GENERA



BBL[®] CRYSTAL[™] KITS

Presentation & Packaging:

- 20 lids with <u>29 or 30 dehydrated substrates</u>.
- 20 bases with 30 wells(pores).
- 20 tubes with inoculum fluid (each tube contains 2,2 \pm 0,1 ml)
- 2 incubation trays
- 1 chart for entering the substrate reactions
 Color charts for comparing substrate reactions, delivered
 together with the Panel-Viewer





<u>Materials Not Provided with the kits &</u> <u>must/ may be needed</u>

- Sterile cotton swabs (do not use polyester swabs)
- Incubator (35 37°C) non-CO2 (40 60% humidity)
- McFarland standards.
- Nephlometer.
- Vortex
- ► BBLCrystal[™] Panel Viewer or Autoreader
- BBLCrystal ID System Electronic Codebook or BBLCrystal ANR Manual Codebook
- BBL DMACA Indole Reagent Droppers & BBL Oxidase Reagent Droppers
- Culture plates
- Catalase reagent.

BBL CRYSTALTM Identification Procedure in 4 easy steps

- 1. Inoculum preparation McFarland: 0.5 2.0 3.0 4.0
- 2. Inoculation of the panels
- ► 3. Incubation of the panels 4 or 18-24 hours
- 4. Reading & Interpretation



Before You begin

- BBLCrystal ID Systems <u>are not for use directly</u> with clinical specimens.
- Use isolates from media as specified in the Kit's insert.
- Use of <u>selective media is also acceptable</u>.
- Media containing <u>esculin should not be used</u>.
- The isolate must be a pure culture, no more than 18:24 h old.
- Some polyester swabs may cause problems with inoculation.
- Once lids are removed from the sealed pouches, they must be used within 1 hour.
- If the kit or any of the components are stored refrigerated, each should be brought to <u>room temperature</u> prior to use.

BBL CRYSTALTM INOCULUM PREPARATION

- Colonies from the same morphology
- Use Cotton-tipped swab or plastic loop
- Aerobic bact.- no more, than 24 hours old isolate
- Anaerobic bact. 24-48 hours generally
 - up to 72 hours for some slow growing cocci
 - up to 72-96 hours for Actinomyces
- CrystalSpec Nephelometer
 - 0.5 McFarland : E/NF; Gram Pos.
 - 2.0 McFarland : Rapid Gram Pos.
 - 4.0 McFarland : Anaerobe
- Vortexing 10-15 sec., homogenous inuculum susp.





BBL[®] CRYSTAL[™] MEDIA USAGE

Medium	E/NF	GP	RGP	N/H *	ANA
TSA 5% SB	X	X	Х	X	
Columbia	X	X	Х	X	X
Mc Conkey	X				
CNA		Х	Х		
Chocolate				Х	
Schaedler					X
CDC					X
Brucella					X
Blood	X		X	X	X

* Selective media:GC - Lect; Martin Lewis; Mod. Thayer Martin; New York City or V - Agar can also be used



- Lid is removed from the pouch and desiccant is discarded.
- It must be used within 1 hr of removal from pouch (Shouldn't be used if there is no desiccant)





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Inoculum fluid tube is to be labeled with the specimen number.

Specimen is to be taken with a cotton swab or disposable plastic loop by an aseptic technique.



Colonies are then suspended in the Inoculum Fluid.

Tube is recapped and vortexed for 10-15 secs; McFarland standard that is set depends on the





Adjust McF value to the standard

- If the inoculum suspension concentration is lower or in excess of the recommended McFarland standard:
- 1- Use a fresh tube of inoculum fluid to dilute the inoculum suspension or use 0.85% sterile saline to dilute the inoculum.
- 2- Concentrate the inoculum by adding more from the specimen using the swab.
- Remove the excess amount added to the tube with a sterile pipet so that the final volume of inoculum fluid is approximately equivalent to that of the original volume in the tube (2.3 ml)





Pour entire contents of inoculum fluid into target area of the base.









Hold the base in both hands and roll inoculum gently along the tracks until all of the wells are filled.

Roll back any excess fluid to the target area and place the base on a bench top.

The inoculum should be slowly rolled across the tracks to ensure a proper fill of all wells.





Align the lid so that the labeled end of the lid is on top of
 the target area of the base.

- Push down until a slight resistance is felt. This leads to rehydration of substrate to initiate reaction.
- Let 5 min. in face-up position.







Incubation: Place inoculated panels in incubation trays. Ten panels can fit in one tray (5 rows of 2 panels).

All panels should be incubated *face down* (larger windows facing up





BBL[®] CRYSTAL[™] TESTCONDITIONS

Crystal Kit	Mc. Farland Std	Inkubationtime	Temperature °C		
E/NF	0.5	18 -24 h	35 - 37		
GP	0.5	18 -24 h	35 - 37		
R/GP	2.0	4h	35 - 37		
N/H	3.0	4h	35 - 37		
ANA	4.0	4h	35 - 37		

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Before Reading BBL[®] CRYSTAL[™] additional needed information

For correct identification with the electronic database to be entered together with the profile number

Test	E/NF	GP	RGP	N/H	ANA
gram stain		X	X	X	X
morphologie		X	X	X	X
indol	(X)				X
oxidase	X				
catalase					X



BBL[®] CRYSTAL[™] READING

- After the incubation time place the panels on the Panel Viewer.
- Check substrate reactions on white (and UV-) light or use the Auto Reader.



BBL[®] Crystal[™] Panel Viewer



BBL[®] Crystal[™] Auto Reader



BBL[®] CRYSTAL[™] READING using the panel viewer

- Compare the panel reactions with the color chart and notice the actual panel reactions
- Each reaction is linked to a value (1, 2 or 4)
- Adding the values by column results in a 10 digit profile number
- The profile number is manualy entered in the database

Example:	Α	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н	Ι	J
4	*	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-
2	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	-
1	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-
Profile	1	6	3	2	5	6	4	3	7	0

*(4A) = fluorescent negative control



- Panels are read with the larger window facing down using the color chart and BBL Crystal Report pad.
- Columns G-J are read with a regular (white) light source
- Columns A F are read with a fluorescent light source





BBL CRYSTALTM Reading using the AUTOREADER

Benefits of using the Autoreader

- Combined white & UV light
- Eliminate the subjectivity of the manual reading
- Reference panel to check the light sources
- Automatic switch-off after 1 hour
- Only one moving part





BBL[®] CRYSTAL[™] QUALITY CONTROL STRAINS

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Crystal kits	control strains	ATCC number
E/NF	Klebsiella pneumoniae	ATCC 33495
GP	Streptococcus pyogenes	ATCC 19615 X
R/GP	Streptococcus pyogenes	ATCC 19615 X
N/H	Moraxella catarrhalis	ATCC 25240
ANA	Bacteroides fragilis	ATCC 25285 X

X Microtrol strain from BD





After use, all infectious materials including plates, cotton swabs, inoculum fluid tubes, and panels must be autoclaved prior to disposal or incineration.







BBL CRYSTAL MIND Software

GENERAL WORKFLOW

Reading and Data-entering

Identification

Viewing and validation of results

Reporting of results









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Explanation for abreviations

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