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18 MONTH

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FOR

MICROSCOPIC & HIGH SPECIFIC GRAVITY

	LOT #122719 POSITIVE Exp 05/19		LOT #122720 NEGATIVE Exp 05/19		PROCEDURE
	MICROSCOPIC	SPECIFIC GRAVITY	MICROSCOPIC	SPECIFIC GRAVITY	
HIGH	35	1.037		1.037	1. Shake well before using to assure
MEAN	20 CELL/HP ± 15	1.032 ± .005	0 CELL/HP	1.032 ± .005	complete mixing of the contents.
LOW	5	1.027		1.027	 Remove bottle cap and pour 12 ml into a clean, dry conical centrifuge tube.*
DAY 1					
DAY 2					3. Centrifuge for 5 minutes at 2000 rpm. (A lower rpm may be used if this is called for in your laboratory procedure. However, a somewhat lower mean may result!)
DAY 3					
DAY 4					
DAY 5					4. Remove control from the centrifuge and at this time, if desired, take and record the specific gravity reading by placing a small urinometer in the centrifuge tube or, alternatively, transfer a few drops of the supernate to a refractometer.
DAY 6					
DAY 7					
DAY 8					
DAY 9					5. Pour off and discard all but 0.5 ml of the supernate.
DAY 10					
DAY 11					 Resuspend the sediment in the remaining 5 ml of supernate by touching the bottom of the tube to a vortex machine or by flicking the bottom of the tube with your finger.
DAY 12					
DAY 13					
DAY 14					7. Transfer a drop of the resuspended
DAY 15					sediment to a clean dry microscope slide and
DAY 16					cover with a cover slip.
DAY 17					8. Count and record the <i>average</i> number of cells found in 10 high power fields.
DAY 18					
DAY 19					 At the end of the month, add the column of entries for MICROSCOPIC and/or SPECIFIC GRAVITY and enter the TOTAL at the bottom of the column. Determine the MEAN by
DAY 20 DAY 21					
DAY 21 DAY 22					dividing the TOTAL by the number of days
DAT 22 DAY 23					the test was run.
DAY 23 DAY 24					10. Store at 2° - 8°C. May be stored at room
DAY 24 DAY 25					temperature once bottle is in use.
DAT 25 DAY 26					*NOTE:The value range for Alta's Microscopic Control is based on the parameters set forth in the
DAT 20 DAY 27					above procedure. Laboratories using a procedure with different parameters (i.e. volume, rpm and time
DAY 28					of centrifugation and amount of supernate
DAY 29					discarded) should develop their own range of values and mean for the control using their procedure.
DAY 30					
DAY 31					
TOTAL					
MEAN					