



## RAPID FOOD SAFFTY YOU CAN RELY ON

Food companies, service labs and government regulators around the world rely on the **Hygiena BAX® System**, which uses the polymerase chain reaction to detect unwanted bacteria in raw ingredients, finished products and environmental samples.

Introduced more than 20 years ago, the **BAX® System** was the first DNA-based detection method for the food industry. Now, the automated, user-friendly system is easy to operate, utilizing real-time or traditional PCR assays, tableted reagents and optimized media to minimize handson time and free technicians for other tasks. Today the **BAX® System** is the leading PCR instrument in ISO-17025 labs worldwide.

# **GLOBALLY APPROVED & TRUSTED**

For companies whose food products are regulated by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), the **BAX® System** can be utilized for routine testing with the confidence of using the same method adopted by the USDA Food Safety & Inspection Service (FSIS).

Third-party certifiers, such as AOAC and AFNOR require extensive validation of **BAX® System** performance before granting their seals of approval. The world's largest and most reputable food labs rely on the **BAX® System** to meet customers demands for accurate and reliable results. Government labs in the US, Canada, Brazil, Denmark, China and other countries have adopted the **BAX® System** as an approved method for detection.



















# SIGNIFICANT TIME AND LABOR SAVINGS

**BAX®** System results are often available within 24 hours after sample incubation starts, instead of days or weeks later after colonies have grown.

# **EXCEPTIONAL SENSITIVITY**

Studies show that **BAX® System**DNA-based technology can detect as low as one colony-forming unit per sample, in volumes ranging from 25 to 375 g.



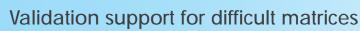
Accurate results mean fewer re-tests, shorter storage time for products on hold, and less waste of truly safe food. **BAX® System** PCR tablets feature an internal positive control, ensuring every test is run properly. The closed tube system prevents contamination.



# SUPERIOR SPECIFICITY

While phenotypic tests can cross-react with bacteria exhibiting similar behavior or traits, the **BAX® System** addresses the unique genetic structure of the target for fewer false positive results.





Advanced troubleshooting with field team

Rapid technical support & online resources

Portfolio of hygiene monitoring systems, allergen tests, sample collection products, and more



# **BAX® SYSTEM BENEFITS**

#### **CONFIDENCE**

Clear and reproducible results, independent of operator technique.

#### **RELIABILITY**

Automated cycling, detection and analysis without the need for expert skills.

#### **EASE OF USE**

Simplified sample prep with minimal hands-on time.

#### **SPEED**

High capacity load, up to 96 samples per batch.

#### **CONVENIENCE**

Pre-packaged PCR reagent tablets provide consistency, stability and long shelf-life.

### **ELECTRONIC DATA**

LIMS-compatible system allows for easy storage, retrieval and printing.

#### SUPPORT

World-class customer-focused assistance to answer your questions and keep your operation running smoothly.



# SYSTEM COMPONENTS

BAX® System cycler/
detector • Computer
work station • BAX®
System application and
Microsoft® Windows® OS
• Installation and training



#### START-UP PACKAGE

Heating & cooling blocks • Capping/decapping tools • Cluster tubes and holders • Pipettes and tips • User documentation



# THE POWER OF PCR MEETS THE SIMPLICITY OF BAX®

To generate the highest level of confidence in pathogen detection results, the BAX® System uses the polymerase chain reaction (PCR) to deliver the most accurate, reliable, and easy to use detection platform. While other methods rely on physical or biochemical properties of their targets, PCR amplifies and detects a target organism's DNA. A target's DNA is highly stable, and unaffected by environmental stresses that can affect other detection methods. During PCR, carefully designed primers target specific genetic sequences possessed only by target organisms, eliminating expensive false-positive results. The BAX® System combines this gold-standard technology with sophisticated but simple methods to provide clear "yes" or "no" results and easy-to-read amplification profiles, with no need for subjective or expert interpretation.

#### 1. CLEAR POSITIVE/NEGATIVE RESULTS

Sophisticated algorithms interpret the amplification profile and provide clear Positive (red) or Negative (green) results that do not require expert interpretation.

#### 2. MIX & MATCH

Shared protocols for select assays allow for "mix and match" processing, enhancing efficiency and reducing waste.

## 3. TRACK & TRACE

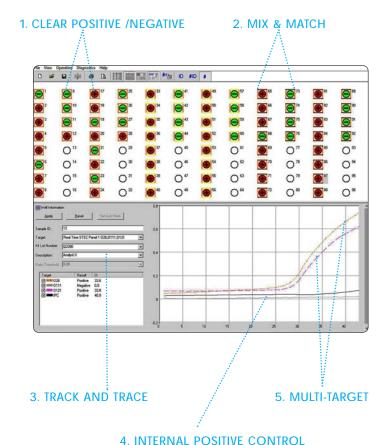
Capture sample identification information, lot data, and select from numerous assay targets to keep testing organized.

#### 4. POSITIVE CONTROL ALWAYS INCLUDED

An internal positive control is included with every assay to validate negative results and give you peace of mind.

# 5. MULTI-TARGET

The **BAX® System** Q7's multi-wavelength real-time detection capabilities identify multiple targets in a simple sample.





Review BAX® System result files on your smartphone or tablet with BAXApp. Troubleshoot on the go or review results from multiple sites in a central location. BAXApp is free in the Google Play store and App Store.





# **EASY-TO-USE PROCESS**



1 ENRICH Collect your sample and mix it with enrichment media.



2 INCUBATE
Allow the sample to heat for designated time.



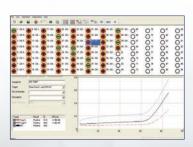
3 Add sample to lysis reagent and heat cluster tubes to rupture the cell wall and release DNA into the solution.



4 HYDRATE
Transfer lysate to the tablet in each PCR tube.



Place the PCR tubes into the BAX® System instrument for automated analysis.



REVIEW
Results are displayed as clear yes or no icons in about one hour for most assays.

# WIDE RANGE OF TARGETS

Each assay is validated for a variety of food and/or surface matrices, against one or more third-party validation schemes. Learn more at hygiena.com

## **REAL-TIME ASSAYS**

## STANDARD ASSAYS

Salmonella

E. coli O157: H7

STEC Screening

(stx and eae)

STEC Panel 1 (E. coli 026, 0111, 0121)

STEC Panel 2 (E. coli 0456, 0103, 0145)

Listeria spp.

L. mono

Shigella

Campylobacter

(jejuni, coli, lari)

Staphylococcus aureus

Vibrio

(cholerae, parahaemolyticus, vulnificus)

Salmonella

Salmonella 2

E. coli O157: H7 MP

Listeria spp. 24E

Listeria spp.

L. mono 24E

L. mono

Yeast and Mold

Cronobacter

(E. sakazakii)

### SEEKING A SIMPLE SOLUTION?



BAX® System X5 Instrument is a small footprint system for smaller throughput labs. The BAX® System X5 instrument has standard assays for Salmonella, E.coli O157: H7, Listeria spp. and L. monocytogenes.

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