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Foreword

This document complies with the provisions of GB/T 1.1-2020 "Standardization Work Guidelines Part 1: Structure and Drafting Rules of Standardization Documents". Drafting.

This document replaces GB/T 18652-2002 "Test Methods for Pathogenic *Aeromonas Hydrophila*". Compared with GB/T 18652-2002, except for...

Aside from structural adjustments and editorial changes, the main technical changes are as follows.

- a) The scope has been changed (see Chapter 1, Chapter 1 of the 2002 edition);
- b) A new chapter on "Abbreviations" has been added (see Chapter 4);
- c) A new chapter on "Instruments and Equipment" has been added (see Chapter 5);
- d) A new chapter, "Reagents and Materials," has been added (see Chapter 6);
- e) Added "Sample Collection, Transportation, and Preservation" (see Chapter 8);

- f) A PCR identification assay method has been added (see 10.2);
- g) The dotted enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) has been removed (see 2.3.2 in the 2002 edition);
- h) A blood plate test has been added (see 11.2);
- i) A comprehensive judgment has been added (see Chapter 12).

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Introduction

The pathogen can infect fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds, mammals, and other animals, causing acute septicemia or localized infections such as skin ulcers.

In aquaculture, pathogenic *Aeromonas hydrophila* is a major cause of bacterial septicemia in freshwater fish. Human infection with pathogenic *Aeromonas hydrophila*...

The main manifestation of the bacteria is acute gastroenteritis.

The pathogenicity of *Aeromonas hydrophila* is closely related to the virulence factors it produces, among which extracellular products such as toxins and proteases are pathogenic.

It plays an important role in the process. The toxins produced by *Aeromonas hydrophila** mainly include aerolysins, hemolysins, cytotoxic enterotoxins, and cell excitoxins.

Enterotoxins, which are perforating toxins, are very similar in structure and function, possess the same biological activities, including hemolysis.

Enterotoxicity and cytotoxicity. *Aeromonas hydrophila* also secretes various proteases that

degrade casein, elastin, etc., causing direct damage to tissues.

Injury is also a very important virulence factor. Therefore, all *Aeromonas hydrophila* that are hemolytic or protease-positive are pathogenic.

Detecting the hemolytic activity and/or protease activity of strains can identify the pathogenicity of *Aeromonas hydrophila*.

1 Scope

This document describes the methods for isolating, purifying, physicochemically identifying, and PCR identifying *Aeromonas hydrophila*, as well as the detection of pathogenic *Aeromonas hydrophila*.

Methods for identifying skim milk plate and blood plate tests.

This document applies to the testing of *Aeromonas hydrophila* and pathogenic *Aeromonas hydrophila*.

2 Normative references

GB/T 18088

3 Terms and Definitions

This document does not contain any terms or definitions that need to be defined.

4 Abbreviations

The following abbreviations apply to this document. gyrB. DNA gyrase B subunit TAE. Tris-aceticacid-EDTA buffer

5 Instruments and Equipment

5.1 Constant temperature incubator. $28^{\circ}\text{C}\pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$.

5.2 Dry constant temperature metal bath.

5.3 High-speed low-temperature centrifuge. rotation speed not less than 12000 r/min.

5.4 Level 2 biosafety cabinet or clean bench.

5.5 PCR amplification instrument. 5.6 Gel imaging system.

5.7 Micropipette. Capacity range $1\mu\text{L}\sim 10\mu\text{L}$, $20\mu\text{L}\sim 200\mu\text{L}$.

5.8 Nucleic acid electrophoresis apparatus. 5.9 Autoclave.

5.10 Refrigerator (4°C , -20°C or below).