DETECTION OF TOTAL COLIFORMS AND *ESCHERICHIA COLI* ON CHROMOGENIC MEDIUM

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The aim of this study is introduction and practice of chromogenic medium CCA that is prescribed in the amendment of EN ISO 9308-1 standard for detection of *Escherichia coli* and coliform bacteria in waters with low bacteria background flora. Selected characteristics of the method are given, and the main problems dealing with its usage in water microbiology are discussed.