METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DETECTING MICROORGANISMS

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention describes a method and apparatus for detecting microorganisms in a culture container. The container includes a block having a plurality of through holes for dividing the sample into a plurality of partial samples. Each partial sample has its own head space and its own sensor. The spacial array of partial samples is read out by a CCD camera and split into partial sample to generate a spacial array that results in a substantial reduction in the time to detection.

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