easy**Spiral** Dilute®

The world's first automatic diluter & plater



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- Designer and manufacturer for microbiology
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Spiral[®] method: 35 years experience

The Spiral[®] method was designed in 1973 to automate the routine work of bacterial enumeration by Dr. Ed Campbell, researcher at the FDA (Food & Drug Administration). With François Jalenques, friend and founder of **interscience**, they patented an updated method in 1992.

Since then Spiral[®] automatic platers have been a reference for applications in food microbiology, medical bacteriology, research on food preservatives or cosmetological factors in compliance with the AFNOR V08-100 and ISO 7218 standards.

Today **intenscience** is proud to launch the 4th generation of Spiral[®] platers with easy**Spiral** Dilute[®]: the world's first automatic diluter & plater.

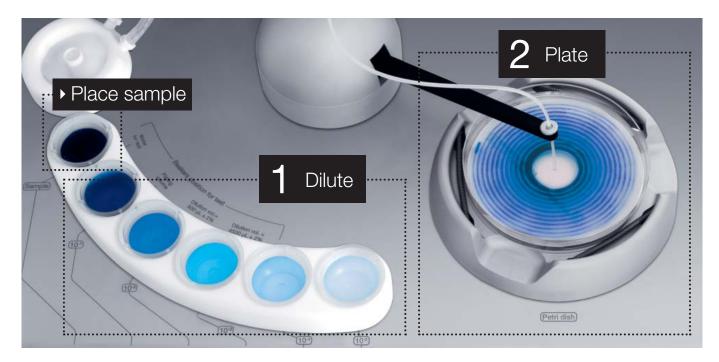


F. Jalenques & Dr. Ed Campbell



interscience is proud to introduce easySpiral Dilute[®], a 2-in-1 automatic diluter and plater, which allows you to do 5 x 1/10th serial dilutions. It will then automatically plate on 1 single Petri dish, with a countable range of 30 to 1 trillion countable CFU/mL.

As a result, for a sample with 30 to 1 x 10¹² bacteria, no more manual dilutions and plating is automatic!

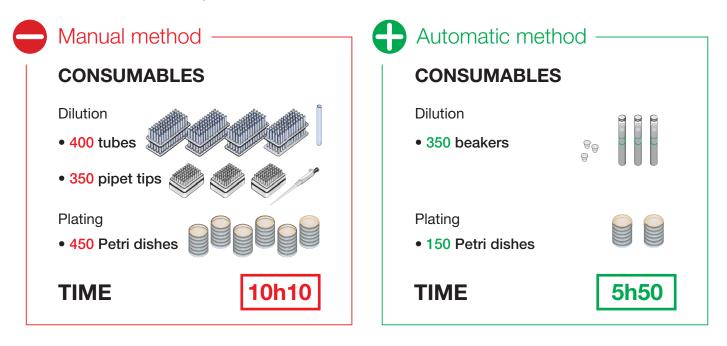


- Place your sample in the beaker
- 1. The easy Spiral Dilute® will automatically dilute the sample up to 5 times
- 2. The easy Spiral Dilute® will automatically plate the sample on a Petri dish up to 1 trillion countable CFU/mL

Why use an automatic diluter & plater?

easySpiral Dilute® allows you to save 50 % on consumables and 50% on your time.

Comparison between manual and automatic method below. Example of 50 samples: Dilution: 10⁻⁷ Plating: 10⁻⁵, 10⁻⁶ and 10⁻⁷



Key features

Compact

High precision glass syringe

38 cm wide, can be used inside and outside a laminar flow Stainless steel housing

Fast rotating arm

PATENTED

High speed automation

1 disinfection, 5 dilutions and 1 plating 10⁻⁵ in 2 min. 13 sec.

Typical accuracy of 0.5 % 4x more precise than a basic pipet No more pipet calibration

Automatic disinfection

Overflow technology cleaning system No cross contamination **PATENTED**

Easy serial dilutions

Choose your dilution factor No more 9 mL tube preparation Do 10⁻⁵ dilution or more automatically **PATENTED**

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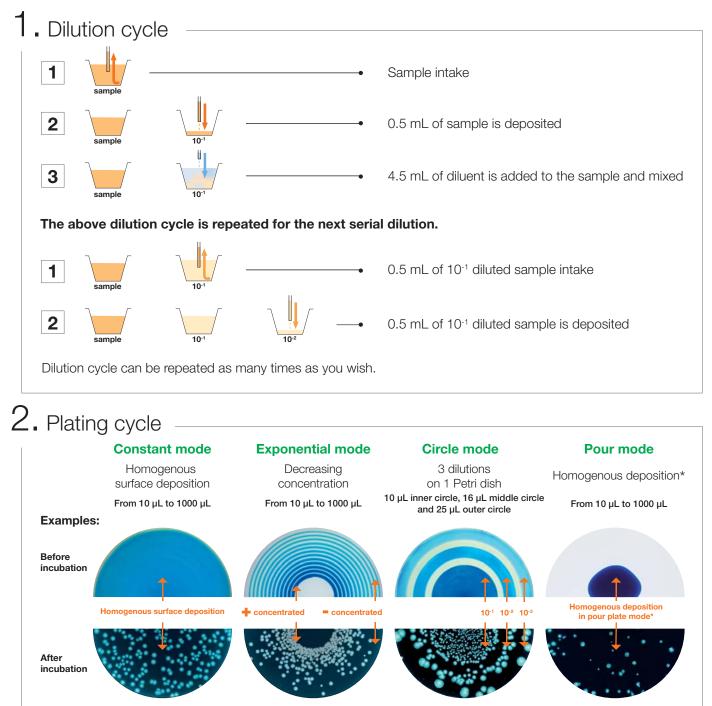
One-touch plating

Choose from 4 plating modes Plate on 55, 90 and 150 mm Petri dishes

High capacity

2 fully autoclavable bottles (disinfectant & diluent) and connectors

How does it work?



Easy colony counting: No colonies on the edge of the dish

30 à 1.10⁷ CFU/mL on 1 dish Easy colony counting for invasive colonies. Pharmacopoeia compliant

* In pour mode, easySpiral Dilute® deposits one sample drop at the bottom of an empty Petri dish. Then, the user adds the molten agar on top and homogenizes it with the sample.

How to count?

Manual colony counting



Scan[®] 100

with Spiral[®] counting grid



Automatic colony counting



Savings

on Petri dishes

Scan[®] 300 Scan[®] 500 Scan[®] 1200

Questions

What is special about the easySpiral Dilute®?

easy**Spiral** Dilute[®] is the only 2-in-1 equipment on the market making automatic serial dilutions and standardized plating.

The accuracy of easySpiral Dilute[®] is high: 0.5%. How can I check it?

It is easy and automatic.

Test of the deposited volume during plating: Press on the plating volume test button. This function will fill a previously weighed beaker with 500 μ L. Weigh the distributed volume to check the results.

Test of the volume of the dilutions:

Press on the dilution volumes test button. This function will fill 2 previously weighed beakers: one with 0.5 mL and the 2nd one with 4.5 mL. Weigh the distributed volumes to check the results.



I usually dilute 1 mL to 1/10 and the easySpiral Dilute[®] uses 0.5 mL to 1/10. Is easySpiral Dilute[®] as precise with a volume divided by 2?

Usually the average accuracy for the 9 mL tubes filling and 1 mL pipetting is 2% with the need to calibrate and regularly check the pipets you are using.

easy**Spiral** Dilute[®] has an average accuracy of 0.5% on 0.5 mL and 4.5 mL volumes because it works with a high precision Hamilton[™] glass syringe in a liquid displacement circuit.

With volumes divided by 2, precision and repeatability are then much higher!

Which diluents can I use?

easySpiral Dilute[®] works with saline solutions (e.g.: Ringer's solution, physiological saline).

Avoid using diluents with nutrients as they may cause contaminations. Bacteria only remain a few seconds in the beakers before being deposited on the Petri dish so using a saline diluent has no effect on the final enumeration.

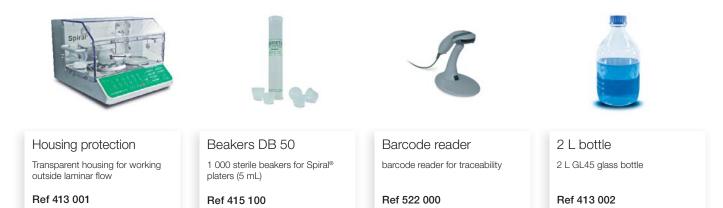
It is however possible to use nutrient solutions as diluent in the semi-automatic "My Diluent" mode. In that case, fill in the beakers with 4.5 mL diluent before processing.

I need to make a 10⁻⁷ dilution. How can I do it?

The easySpiral Dilute[®] can do as many dilutions as you wish.

Do a 10⁻⁵ dilution, take the last beaker and place it as the mother sample and then proceed with a new automatic dilution sequence.

Accessories & technical specifications



easySpiral Dilute® is delivered with 1 000 sterile beakers, 1 blue dye for tests, 1 detergent liquid, 3 sets of GL 45 bottle connectors, Petri dish ring: 55, 90 mm & 150 mm , Spiral® counting grids: 90 mm & 150 mm, circle mode counting grids: 90 mm & 150 mm, power cord, user's manual, monitoring CD-ROM software, USB cable.

	easy Spiral Dilute®
Reference	414 000
Petri dish diameter	55 mm, 90 mm and 150 mm
Syringe capacity	1 000 µL
Programmable dispensed volume (via USB)	from 10 µL to 1 000 µL
Preset dispensed volume	50 μL, 100 μL and 200 μL
Detection in CFU/mL of Spiral® plating	30 to 1 trillion CFU/mL
Plating modes	55 mm: constant, pour plate 90 mm: exponential (10 ⁻⁵), constant, circle (3 dilutions), pour plate 150 mm: exponential (10 ⁻⁷), constant, circle (6 dilutions), pour plate
Number of dilutions at 1/10 th for 1 cycle	5
1 disinfection + 5 dilutions + 1 plating 10 ⁻⁵	2 min. 13 sec.
1 disinfection + 5 dilutions + 6 plating of each dilution	4 min. 4 sec.
Disinfectant autonomy	1000 (with 2 L bottles)
Diluent autonomy	63 cycles (with 2 L bottles)
Circle mode (patented)	3 dilutions on a 90 mm Petri dish 6 dilutions on a 150 mm Petri dish
Stylus disinfection system (patented)	inside and outside by Overflow technology
Pressure in the stylus	8 bars
Successive plating capacity with the same sample	Up to 20 Petri dishes (50 µL)
Traceability	excel™, Data Matrix labels
Monthly cleaning program	✓
Filling time programmable via USB	✓
My Diluent key	✓
Sample mixing before dilution/plating	✓
Controlled by microprocessor	✓
Dimensions (w x d x h)	39 x 42 x 29 cm
Weight	15.6 kg
Power supply	100-240 V~ / 50 Hz to 60 Hz
Power	65 W
1 year guarantee (after registration)	×
All stainless steel	×
Made in France	✓



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